

The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon

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Lockney City Council Approves Housing Resolution

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

Lockney City Council members, meeting in regular session on July 17, approved a resolution that authorizes Mayor Tina Graves to submit a home program application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for home funds to build additional housing for low income families.

Dean Johnson, manager for the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority, present the MMWA proposed budget for 2014-2015. The proposed budget of \$192,060 was approved by the Council. The proposed budget is

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Judge gives Warren deferred adjudication in improper relations case

Former Floydada High School library teacher's assistant Hope Warren received a deferred adjudication including ten years probation and a fine of \$1,000 in court costs in a ruling by 110th District Court Judge William P. "Bill" Smith Monday, according to Penny Ogden, an assistant for District Attorney Becky McPherson.

Warren was accused on April 25 of an improper relationship between an educator and a student, and on May 1 the Floyd County grand jury indicted Warren on those charges. Warren, 50, resigned her position with FISSD on April 25.

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First Ever Flea Market to be held at Fairgrounds



Barbara Anderson/The Hesperian-Beacon

The Floyd County Fair Association is having a Flea Market to benefit the Floyd County Fair August 16 and 17 at the Lockney Fairgrounds.

By Carol Huggins

The Floyd County Fair Association will be hosting the first ever Flea Market at the Fairgrounds in Lockney in August. It will be a 2-day event, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Saturday, August 16, and 1 - 5 p.m. on Sunday, August 17.

A 10x10 booth will rent for \$30.00. Call Rosie Rendon 292-9528 soon to reserve your space. They are filling up.

Clean out your closets, storage barns, garages, kitchen

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Courtesy photo/Glen Graves

Providence-area farmers have worked the land for Ray and Judy Macha since February when Ray had a stroke.

Providence rallies around farming couple

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

When people say Providence will help them through adversity, they're usually talking about a higher power. But for Ray and Judy Macha, there's another Providence also looking out for them, the aptly named small town at the junction of Farm Roads 2301 and 788, twelve miles north of Lockney.

When farmer Ray Macha suffered a stroke in February, the small community immediately stepped in to make sure that the Machas' three plots of farmland, where they raise cotton and milo, were worked just as they had always been.

Glen Graves, manager of Providence Farm Supply and Grain Company, explained how the community divided up the Machas' farming needs. "Mike Mathis and Garrett Mathis are working the place with the milo. Burton Stoener and Louie Bybee are doing one of the places where they raise cotton. And, their homeplace's cotton is being handled by Boyd Jackson and his guys."

"John Quebe is handling the FSA and all of the administrative and paperwork that goes with farming for them, Graves said. "When it was time to plant the cotton, Justin Stoener donated the seed,



Photo Courtesy of Alice Gilroy

RAY AND JUDY MACHA

and when it was time to plant the milo, Providence Farm Supply donated the milo seed."

Judy Macha spends days and nights with Ray at TrustPoint Hospital in Lubbock while he is recuperating. "When this happened," she said, "one by one, they started calling up and said we're going to do this. But we weren't surprised. I know how wonderful the people are out there."

The Machas have lived in the Providence area since 1991.

Ray is getting better, according to Judy

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Clean-up day



Barbara Anderson/The Hesperian-Beacon

Last week was clean-up week in Floydada with organizations and residents coming together to beautify the city and discard unwanted junk and trash. Pictured here:(l-r) Cristina Chavarria, Ashley Jones, Angie Gonzales helping prepare the complimentary hot dogs which Atmos Energy provided clean-up participants Saturday at noon.

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.

LOVE FUND

A love fund has also been set up for Ray and Judy Macha at the Happy State Bank in Lockney. You may make donations at any locations. This love fund will help defray medical bills for Ray.

FORTENBERRY REUNION

The J. C. Fortenberry, I Reunion will be held Aug. 8 - Aug. 9 at the Unity Center located at Muncy. For more info see the article in this week's Hesperian-Beacon.

SALES TAX HOLIDAY

This year, the sales tax holiday is scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 8 - 10. You can save money on certain items priced under \$100 during the state's annual sales tax holiday.

CAFÉ STYE DAY CAMP

A Café Style Day Camp, hosted by the Floyd County Extension, will be held July 28th - August 1 at the Floyd Co. Extension Office. Cost of camp is \$20 and RSVP is due by July 23rd. For more info see the article located on the school page in this week's Hesperian-Beacon.

LOCKNEY FARMER'S MARKET

The Lockney Farmer's Market has space available for rent. Space deposit is \$25 and is refundable upon passing inspection by city employees. Come by City Hall or call (806) 652-2355 for more information.

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

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Deaths

Freddie James Morren

Freddie James Morren, age 71, of Floydada, passed away Monday, June 30, 2014. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Thursday, July 3, 2014 at First Baptist Church in Floydada with Dr. William Dean officiating and Rance Young assisting.

Interment followed at the Floyd County Memorial Park in Floydada. Visitation was held from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Wednesday, July 2, 2014 at the First Baptist Church Parlor. Arrangements were under the care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Freddie was born on May 3, 1943 in Floydada to James A.V. and Verna Lavida (Pack) Morren. He attended the Floydada Schools. He married Laveta Jones on September 3, 1961 at her parent's home in Lockney.

Freddie served in the US Army from June 1961-1964. He then worked for the US Postal Service beginning in December of 1965. Freddie worked as a letter car-



FREDDIE MORREN

rier and clerk at the Floydada Post Office. He was a Post Master at Matador starting in 1990 and retired in May of 1998. He then went to work for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Program in September of 2001 and retired on June 24, 2011. Freddie served on the Floydada Independent School Board from 1984-1988 and 2009-2012. He also served on the Massie Activity Center Board of Directors and was a member of the Board of Directors for the Plains Federal Credit Union. Freddie

loved to fish and watch his grandchildren in their activities. He was a member of Church of Christ.

He is preceded in death by his parents, brothers, Sam Morren and Tex Morren and sister, Joyce Stoner.

Freddie is survived by his wife, Laveta Morren of the home; daughters, Melissa McCain and husband, Bruce of Cypress, and Denise Holcombe and husband, Rex of Floydada; sons, Wayne Morren and wife, Angel of Floydada and David Morren and wife, Beth Ann of Rockwall; grandchildren, Landry Morren, Kaylee Morren, Lauren McCain, Luke Holcombe and McKinzie Morren; sister, Elizabeth Hill of Horizon City and brother, Billy Morren and wife, Jan of Fort Worth. He is also survived by two aunts, nephews, nieces and cousins.

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

Jeffrey "Jeff" Lewis Rainey

Jeffrey "Jeff" Lewis Rainey, 51, went to be in the arms of Jesus on Sunday, July 13, 2014. Bud and Sandra Rainey proudly welcomed Jeff into their family on May 9, 1963 in Abilene, Texas. Growing up in a very close-knit family, Jeff treasured a deep love for his brother, Rusty and sister, Kristi.

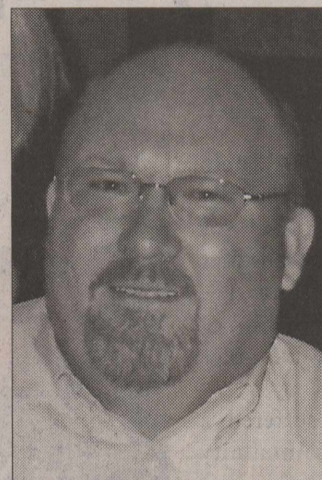
Throughout childhood, Jeff matured into manhood while living in Floydada. All the while, he participated in a variety of sports. He also developed a love of nature, especially bird watching.

He graduated from Floydada High School as valedictorian in 1981 and received a degree in business from Angelo State University in 1985.

In 1985, he married Penny Kirtley, and from their union Jeff was ushered into his cherished role as father to Jayton Lewis on July 22, 1993. He thrived on being the best dad in the world as he thrilled to watch his son grow and mature while participating in many activities, including sports, science fair competitions, and A & M Corp. The pride he had for Jayton continued to his final earthly day. The bond between father and son was beyond measure.

While residing in San Angelo, Tonya Dierschke and Jeff were introduced by mutual best friends. God blessed the joining of their hearts in marriage on November 6, 1999, as Tonya became Jeff's bride.

Being doubly blessed in the marriage, he became a father to Tonya's daughter, Brooke.



JEFFREY RAINEY

With a deep and abiding love for family and friends, Jeff's heart swelled even greater upon the birth of his granddaughter, Parker from Jared and Brooke's marriage.

Jeff's greatest love was for his Lord and Savior. He lived his life in a humble and giving manner touching everyone he encountered. He shared his passion for God through his active participation at First United Methodist Church and in the Emmaus community serving as Lay Director in March of 2014. His servanthood extended throughout the community by sitting on the boards of West Texas Boys Ranch and Angelo State University Alumni Association. His joy filled spirit exemplified Jesus and was a testament to all.

The surviving family that was blessed to have loved Jeff here on earth includes his best friend & wife, Tonya, his children, Jayton Rainey of College Station, Brooke and Jared Kuhlmeier of San Antonio, the apple of his eye, granddaughter, Parker

Kuhlmeier, his parents, Bud and Sandra Rainey of Friona, mother-in-law, Jo Sanford, brother, Rusty Rainey of Kansas, sister and brother-in-law, Kristi and Mike Neill of Canyon, his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Todd and Shelly Sanford of San Angelo, brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Mike and Tammy Hale of Plano, nieces and nephews, Kaleb, Jaelin, Megan, Maisie Rainey, Keegan & Blair and son, Bennett, Kendall Neill, Cole, Garrett, and Mattie Sanford, Kaitlyn Hale, other loving aunts, uncles, and cousins and his beloved dog, Buttercup.

The family received friends from 5:30 to 7:30 pm on Wednesday, July 16, 2014 at Johnson's Funeral Home. A celebration of Jeff's life and love was held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 17, 2014 at First United Methodist Church with Reverend Sam Hunnicutt officiating. Interment followed at Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

Pallbearers for the celebration were Jayton Rainey, Keegan Neill, Kendall Neill, Kevin Noland, Cole Sanford, Garrett Sanford, Moody Younger, & Bart Patzer.

Honorary Pallbearers were Jeff's Emmaus Brothers in Christ.

The family kindly asks memorials be made to the Concho Country Emmaus Community, P.O. Box 1522, San Angelo, TX 76902

Family and friends may sign an online register book at www.johnsons-funeral-home.com.

The Paperboy

The sky will fall!

Okay all you investors, I'm about to save or maybe even make you a bunch of money.

The stock market is going to crash and when it does, it's going to be "horrific" according to some really rich people.

Jeremy Grantham, co-founder and chief investment strategist of GMO, a Boston-based firm with \$117 billion in assets under management, told The New York Times that Federal Reserve Chair Janet Yellen is "ignorant" and says the Federal Reserve all but killed the economic recovery which should have taken place in the U.S.

Grantham adds, "We have never had this before. It's going to be very painful for investors."

Grantham is not alone in his assessment.

"We have no right to be surprised by a severe and imminent stock market crash," said Mark Spitznagel, a hedge fund manager, who made a fortune when he correctly called the 2008 crisis. "In fact, we must absolutely expect it."

Warren Buffett, everybody's favorite rich guy is preparing for a crash as well. The "Warren Buffett Indicator," also known as the "Total-Market-Cap to GDP Ratio," is signaling a collapse could happen at any moment.

So if these guys are right, what are investors to do?

Michael Carr, the founder of Peak Profits and acclaimed author of "Smarter Investing in Any Economy," says you can make tactical investments that will perform well in any market.

"The \$21 trillion stock market is an ocean of opportunity with hidden profit patterns everywhere," Carr said. "So, even in a market correction, there is always a bull market somewhere. The key is to effectively mine the data and find stocks that are entering a proven profit pattern."

Carr has a system you can check out online that can identify stocks which might be prudent for investors if the crash is coming.

Carr is rich, smart and serious.

"In the military, I developed complicated equations to predict the flight patterns of nuclear missiles," Carr comments. "Today, I use these same complicated equations to predict the price patterns of stocks."

Moneynews.com reports Carr's strategy as this: "Just like mapping out nuclear missile trajectories with thousands of variables... Carr's program screens more than 8,000 major stocks and thousands of relevant financial data points to identify what he believes are the best stock trajectories in the market... stocks that he believes will rise no matter what the market is doing."

To his credit, some of the results on calls Carr has made include:

- 263 percent gain on Tesla Motors
- 148 percent gain on SanDisk
- 315 percent gain on Akamai Technologies
- 180 percent gain on DaVita HealthCare Partners
- 182 percent gain on Gannett
- 191 percent gain on Alexion
- 306 percent gain on Equinix

So take it for what it's worth. If these rich guys are right, it would be worth your while I'm sure.

Of course if it hits the fan too bad, your best investment might be a couple of guns and some ammo. Those two items rarely go down in value.

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NEW PHONE NUMBER FOR HESPERIAN-BEACON

The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon has a new phone number as of Monday, July 21st. The new phone number is (888) 400-1083.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS GRANT ADMINISTRATION TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Floydada has recently received a Contract award from the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) for water system improvements. Accordingly, the City is seeking to contract with a qualified administration firm to administer the contract. Please submit your proposal of services and a statement of qualifications for these proposed services to the address below:

Mayor Bobby Gilliland
City of Floydada
114 W. Virginia
Floydada, Texas 79235

Proposals must be received by the City no later than 4:00 p.m. on the August 4, 2014 to be considered. The City reserves the right to negotiate with any and all individuals or firms that submit proposals, as per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ENGINEERING SERVICES TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Floydada has recently received a Contract award from the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) for water system improvements. Accordingly, the City is seeking to contract with a qualified engineer/engineering firm registered to practice in the State of Texas to prepare all preliminary and final design plans and specifications, and to conduct all necessary interim and final inspections. Please submit your proposal of services and a statement of qualifications for these proposed services to the address below:

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SOCIETY

Museum Archives

Floyd County Historical Museum "Memories, 1979"

THE J. S. W. OWEN FAMILY

Written by Eula Owen Thurman Williams

My parents, John Stewart Wesley Owens (1866-1909) and Ellie Lee Davis (1868-1939), came from Jack County, Texas with 3 children, Charlie, Horace, and Eula (myself) and Mama's sister, Lou Pearl Davis, whose parents had died of pneumonia when she was 12. We farmed one year near Whiteflat coming to Floyd County 1899, farmed north of town four years, then moved into Floydada buying the Harkey Hotel which we named Floydada Hotel. The Hotel stood where Bealls' Dept. Store is now. Papa owned the livery stable which was on the corner where Rainer Co. Is. Papa died 20 April, 1909. Mama continued the hotel, an important business in the development of the area, caring for prospective land buyers and those awaiting the building of homes and business, in 1914 she rented the hotel to others. She married Cliff W. Mitchell about 1917.

Mother was of such a helpful motherly nature to all comers she became affectionately known as "Ma Mitchell" and her grave stone is marked "Ma Mitchell" with the dates.

The boys left for work, but I have remained here and am the only one living. I was full of vim and had a good time wherever I went. I recall the good times I had with my girlfriends; Betty McCleskey (Tye), Lonie Steen (Mince), Willie Slaughter (Fry), Bernice Henry (Barker) and Mary Maxwell (Stanley). The schoolhouse was then in the north part of town, east of the railroad. In the winter, we sometimes played hookey and went skating on the lake there. In May 1910 the day the train was to come to Floydada from Lockney, school was dismissed and we kids met it northwest of town. It stopped and let us on and we rode into town. Charlie Wilson, the local photographer, took pictures. Rev. Abe Mulkey about 1913 held a revival under a tent and several of us joined the church then.

Sam Thurman, a carpenter of Dallas, was suffering from asthma. His doctor advised him to try the Plains climate. Sam came to Floydada in 1911, staying at the Floydada Hotel, met and courted Eula. They were married 25 August, 1912, by Rev. G. W. Shearer, Methodist minister. They have three daughters, Katie Lee, who married C. W. Riley, lives in Harlingen, Texas;

Dorothy (Jack) married R. J. Rodgers, lives Harlingen, Texas; Mary Louise married Jimmie Fulkerson of Matarador, lives in Lubbock.

Sam Thurman was born 28 June, 1887, Ruston, Louisiana, died at Floydada, 14 February 1952, buried here.

September 1967, Mrs. Eula Owen Thurman married N. W. Williams, a retired postal clerk of Floydada. He had first married Connie Solomon, who died 1949. They had no children.

Lou Pearl Davis (1882-1967), an aunt of mine, married John Gravatt, 18 April, 1904 by A.B. Duncan, Judge. They farmed west of town. They had two daughters, Alie Faye married Burleson Holladay, lives in Floydada and Foy, who first married Earl Ivey, now is Mrs. James Perry of El Paso.

Mr. And Mrs. Gravatt are buried beside Papa and Mama in the Floydada Cemetery.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong

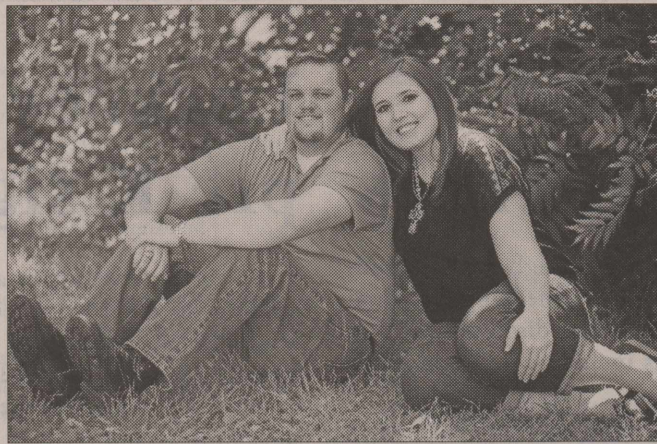
Mark your calendars for September 14th!!!!

Family Night Fish Fry will be held Friday from 5-8 p.m. Dine in or carry out or call the Center, 652-2745 and we will have it ready for you. \$10 adults and \$5 children under 10. Let us do the dishes!!!

Hope you all have a great week!

MENU

July 28 - August 1
Monday - Baked potato w/ chicken strips
Tuesday - Taco salad
Wednesday - Fried chicken
Thursday - Salmon
Friday - Ham



KALLI GENE FERGUSON AND BRYAN WAYNE MARTIN

Ferguson and Martin to marry

Larry and Cathy Ferguson of Floydada are proud to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Kalli Gene to Bryan Wayne Martin, son of Ronnie and Renee Guthrie of Clovis, New Mexico and Lane Martin of Petersburg.

The bride-elect is a 2007 graduate of Floydada High School and a 2010 graduate of West Texas A&M University where she obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education. She is currently employed by Assiter Insurance Agency, LLC in Floydada.

Kalli is the granddaughter of Wanda and the late C.E. Flippin of Plainview and Willie Mae and the late L.L. Ferguson of Floydada.

The prospective groom is a 2005 graduate of Coronado High School and a 2012 graduate of Texas Tech University where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communication Studies. He is employed by Aflac in Lubbock.

Bryan is the grandson of Kathy and the late Wayne White of Lubbock and Byron and Wanda Martin of Lubbock.

The couple will exchange wedding vows on Saturday, September 20, 2014 at the Stone Creek Event Center in Lubbock.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins

Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

Many thanks to Margaret Word for her years of service to Floydada Senior Citizens. She faithfully wrote the weekly news article and also was responsible for the memorials and all that entailed.

Thank you Don and Carolyn Hardy for the delicious watermelon donated to the Center.

Margaret Soudelier spent the July 4th holiday with her family. They gathered in McKinney, Texas, at daughter Denise Nixon's home. All of her great grandchildren were present. The family spent time at the Dallas Aquarium and Lake Fork. Fishing was poor, but they managed to catch a few fish.

Bill Gilbreath's sister-in-law, Faye Whitehead, her daughter, Goldie Hall and granddaughter visited him in his home last week.

Condolences to the families of J.W. Cannon, Ann Carr, Freddie Morren, Roy Baxter and Greer Lackey.

In Memory of Ann Carr - Janet Milam, Jane Pruitt, Walter Bednarz

In Memory of Freddie Morren - Janet Milam, James Lovell, Mike and Lu Ann Collins

In Memory of Greer Lackey - Janet Milam, James Lovell

In Memory of J.W. Cannon - Janet Milam, James Lovell, Mike and Lu Ann Collins, Kendis and Janice Julian

In Memory of Roy Baxter - James Lovell

Our mailing address for memorials is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235. The memorials help with keeping our Center open.

When you plan to eat at the Center, please call Sylvia by 9 a.m., at 983-2032. Everyone has to eat, and if you want fellowship with some great people in the community, then make plans to meet us at the Center. Serving time is 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

MENU

July 28 - August 1

Monday - Glazed meatloaf, red bliss potatoes, breadsticks, mixed vegetables, country apple crisp, lot-fat milk

Tuesday - Turkey sandwich, tomato, lettuce & pickle, broccoli raisin salad, macaroni salad, pineapple delight, low-fat milk

Wednesday - Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, stewed okra, seasoned corn, pumpkin square, low-fat milk

Thursday - Crumb topped fish, garlic roasted potatoes, peas, whole wheat roll, margarine, watermelon, chocolate pudding, low-fat milk

Friday - Not available

Prisk and McCandless exchange wedding vows



MR. AND MRS. SETH MCCANDLESS (nee Jessica Prisk)

Jessica Prisk of Floydada and Seth McCandless of Dimmitt, were married in a double ring ceremony at 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 7, 2014 in the Parlor of the First Baptist Church of Floydada. The small ceremony was officiated by Josh Burgett.

The bride is the daughter of Jeff and Ludustia Prisk of Floydada. She is the granddaughter of Jerry and Martha Leatherman of Floydada and Raymond and Jane Prisk of Cisco, Texas.

The groom is the son of Robert and Sheila Burke of Dimmitt and Robert McCandless of Oakland City, Indiana. He is the grandson of Kelly and Diane Martin of Winslow, Indiana, Kenneth and Donna Meece of Oakland, Indiana, Jay and the late Barbra Moorman of Conroe, Texas and Reed and Jerie Burke of Spring, Texas.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father, Jeff Prisk. She wore an ivory gown of Italian satin. The sleeveless, fitted bodice featured a u-shaped neckline. The waist was adorned with four shutter pleats and accented in back with tiny bows. The box pleated full skirt fell to a chapel length train in back.

Following the tradition, for "Something Old" the bride wore a necklace belonging to the great-great-grandmother of the groom. "Something New" was her dress and for "Something Borrowed" she wore pearl earrings from her aunt, Stacy Reeves. The bride wore a garter made by her grandmother, Martha Leatherman, for "Something Blue." Jessica carried a bouquet made by her mother, Ludustia Prisk. The bouquet was from individually crafted flowers made from a variety of white, ivory and teal fabrics.

Maid of Honor was Emily Prisk of Floydada, sister of the bride. Serving as bridesmaid was Shelby McCandless of Dimmitt, sister of the groom.

The bridesmaids wore juniper colored vintage style dresses with one shoulder that were beaded detail with a short full skirt. They carried fabric flowers handmade by the bride's mother, Ludustia Prisk.

Best man was Travis Culver of Hart, friend of the groom. Dusty Prisk of Floydada, brother of the bride, was groomsman.

Hannah Franks of Floydada, friend of the bride, served at the guest registry.

The groom and groomsman both wore black pants, white shirts, with the sleeves rolled to the elbow, black suspenders and teal bowties made by the bride's grandmother, Martha Leatherman.

Traditional wedding music was played by Penny Giesecke of Floydada. Hannah Smith of Floydada sang "Unconditional" and played the piano. Sarah Johnson of Lubbock also sang and played the guitar.

A reception was held following the wedding ceremony. It was held in the Fellowship Center of the First Baptist Church.

The bride's table featured the 5-tiered chocolate wedding cake covered in ivory frosting with white frosting accents, white ribbons borders and embellished with white and ivory fabric flowers.

Presiding at the bride's table was Hannah Bass of Seymour, cousin of the bride, Sarah Johnson of Lubbock, friend of the bride and serving punch was Brook Galvan of Floydada, cousin of the bride.

The groom's table featured the groom's cake which looked like a pizza, even was presented in a pizza box and cut with a pizza cutter. Both the bride and groom's cakes were made by the bride's aunt, Stacy Reeves.

Presiding at the groom's table was Hannah Smith and Mallory Graham, both of Floydada, and both friends of the bride.

The groom's parents, Robert and Sheila Burke, hosted the rehearsal dinner at 5 p.m. on Friday, June 6, 2014 at the First Baptist Church. Pizza was served as that is the groom's favorite.

Jessica is a 2010 graduate of Floydada High School and a 2014 graduate of West Texas A&M University in Canyon. She received her Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design.

Seth is a 2010 graduate of Dimmitt High School. He is attending West Texas A&M University in Canyon and is a candidate for graduation in December 2014 with a Bachelor of Arts in History. He is currently employed by Greenways in Amarillo.

After the reception the couple took a wedding trip to Amarillo. They are residing in Canyon.

A bridal shower was held on April 19, 2014. Hostesses were Mary Sanders, Hope Warren, Sandra Pate, Jana Muniz, Jill Graham, Rozanne Bishop, Shana Guthrie, Vicki Deryberry, Doris Wilcox, Leigh Smith, Shelly Smith, Iva Sanders, Brenda Knight, LaTresa Miller and Catherine Simmons.

Summer of FUN

Take a Trip Thursday!

Tune in beginning June 5th through August 7th and find out how to win tickets to Schlitterbahn, Six Flags, and Hurricane Harbor!



A TRIP TO BE GIVEN AWAY EVERY THURSDAY

Must be 18 years old or older and only one winner per household may win.

SCHOOL NEWS

Lockney School Board Hires Seven New Teachers

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

Lockney School Board members met Thursday, July 17 for a regular meeting. The Board approved the hiring of seven teachers and accepted the resignations of four teachers and one school board member.

School Board member Heath Rexrode stepped down from the school board so that his wife, Jeri, could be employed as an elementary teacher.

Resignations for Darren Whalen, Julie Ellison, Leigha Pate and Jennifer Sullivan were accepted by the school board. Whalen and Pate have accepted positions with the Plainview schools, Sullivan is moving to Dimmitt and Ellison is pursuing other educational endeavors.

The seven new teachers include Sarah Clement, Cynthia Zavala, Dee Blevins, Jeri Rexrode, Shelby Easley, Josh Harris and Krista Gray. Clement and Zavala will be teaching secondary English, Blevins will be teaching junior high science, Rexrode will be teaching in the elementary, Easley will be teaching high school special ed and assistant girls coach, Harris will be teaching history and Gray will be teaching math.

Curriculum Director Marva Rasco gave a preliminary report on the 2014 STAAR test. Rasco told the Board the official results will be released near the end of the month.

The Board took no action on bids for a

new roof on the junior high gym. All bids that came in were over the budget amount of \$75,000. The Board discussed looking at other options including a sloped metal roof.

A restrictive covenant for drilling water wells at the bus lot, on the secondary grounds and the gym area was approved. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) requested that AMEC Environment and Infrastructure seek permission from property owners in the vicinity of the property located at Main and Locust to implement the restrictive covenants prohibiting installation of water wells on the properties. The old Jackson Tire Company site had leaking petroleum storage tank systems that have contaminated the ground water southwest of the location including the schools property. By implementing the covenant, this will allow TCEQ to complete the site cleanup more quickly and cost-effectively.

In other actions, the Board approved changes in two local policies and changes in the District's drug testing policy. The Board also proposed a tax rate for the 2014-2015 fiscal year of \$1.14 per \$1,000.

Superintendent Phil Cotham reported that the salary schedule for Lockney Schools is in line with other districts of comparable size. Cotham also said that with these seven new hires, they have replaced 11 teachers with nine if elementary can find one more teacher. The positions held by Ellison and Jeff Dunn will be absorbed by other staff members.

Lockney kindergarten and pre-K sign-ups needed now

If your student did not attend Lockney schools in 2013-14 in either pre-K or kindergarten, please sign them up now. Parents can come by the Lockney school office and pre-register their child for the upcoming school year.

Please bring the following original documents (no copies) when you pre-register: Child's original birth certificate,

child's original security social card, child's immunization records and parent's driver's license.

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For more information call Lockney Elementary School at 652-3321 or stop by 310 SW 8th.

Physicals set for Lockney ISD girl athletes

Physicals for all girls who plan on participating in athletics, will be held on Thursday, Aug. 21 at 5 p.m.. Any female student planning on participating in athletics during the coming school year must have a physical. Girls need to bring their physical forms with them on the day of the physical. If your student did not receive the physical forms, please

make arrangements in advance to pick them up from the school.

Additionally, the high school girls athletic department has begun the summer conditioning workouts and all girls, incoming freshman through seniors, that will be in high school athletics, are invited to participate. Summer conditioning participation

is voluntary, but it is highly recommended that all athletes participate, to ensure they are ready to begin workouts once school begins. Summer workouts are held on Monday and Thursday each week at the high school gym. Girls can come at either 8 a.m. or 8:00 p.m. on each of those days, to get their workout in.

Texas Swimmers Reminded of Potential Health Risks

WACO, Texas (July 14, 2014) – With summer in full swing, people across the Brazos River basin are heading to nearby rivers and lakes. However, the conditions that make the water temperature so delightful can also encourage the growth of a rare microorganism that can be fatal to humans.

The Brazos River Authority encourages visitors to enjoy the water, while being aware of health risks associated with swimming in or around stagnant or slow-moving water.

Primary amebic meningoencephalitis (PAM), which is most common during the summer, is a rare disease caused by naegleria fowleri, an amoeba found in almost all untreated, fresh surface water and in soil. The amoeba thrives in low levels of fresh water that is warmer than 80 degrees and stagnant or slow-moving. The PAM infection occurs when water containing the organism is forced into the nasal passages – usually from diving or jumping into water or from water skiing. The amoeba makes its way into the brain and spinal cord, destroying brain tissue.

Symptoms of the almost-always fatal infection include severe headache, high fever, stiff neck, nausea, vomiting, seizures

and hallucinations as the condition worsens. Although PAM is rare those infected usually succumb to the disease within a week.

From 1983 to 2012 there were 28 deaths from PAM in Texas, according to state health officials. One infection was diagnosed in 2013 and none have been diagnosed yet this year. Worldwide, only a few hundred cases have been reported over the last 30 years.

To prevent infection, it is recommended that those taking part in warm, fresh water-related activities use nose clips or hold their noses shut while jumping into water. With the amoeba often found in soil, it is best to avoid stirring up underwater sediment. The Texas Department of Health recommends that people avoid stagnant or polluted water and take "No Swimming" signs seriously.

PAM cannot be spread person to person nor by drinking water. Swimming pools and hot tubs that are properly cleaned, maintained and chlorinated are generally safe, as is salt water.

For more information on PAM, contact the Texas Department of State Health Services Public Information Office at (512) 458-7400.

FHS Class of 1964



Courtesy Photo

FHS CLASS OF 1964 REUNION - Thirty-six classmates of the Floydada High School class of 1964 met recently at the Park Plaza Holiday Inn in Lubbock for the celebration of their 50th anniversary from high school. Special guests Charles Tyer, former coach and principal for the class, Sue Moore, Vernie Moore's mother, and Charles Christian joined the group during Saturday's activities. Classmates pictured are (top row, l-r) James Britton, Wesley Johnson, Carrel Kirby, Lon Miller, Ron Tucker, Jay Frank Parks, Marilyn Kinnibrugh Trantham, Walter Nicholson, Dale West; (2nd row, l-r) Judy Appling Sanders, Bennie Galloway Ogletree, Vernie Moore, Butch Gilliland, Ricky Burns, Kenneth Huckabee, Kay Bullock Hicks, Linda Vick Mallow, Susan Simpson Davis; (third row, l-r) Lana Davis Dempsey, Mary Smith Boone, Carolyn Franklin Jackson, Betty Wright Kinslow, Suzi Badgett Goen, Sandra Marler Frysinger, Harryette Hollums Purvis, Darlene Mount Case; (Bottom row, l-r) Nancy Holmes Golden, Hubert Giles, Jill Matsler Golden, Conley Bradford, Barbara Milton Edwards, Victor Rendon, Patrick Ewing, John Calahan. Sharon Burton Pattillo attended, but wasn't available for the picture. Nineteen classmates attending the reunion attended Floydada schools all twelve years.

Wit and Wisdom of Texas

By Charles Keaton

Wit and Wisdom of Texas looks to show the readers the common sense and uncommon genius of many Texans from the past to the present. I hope you enjoy and delight in these comments.

"I was raised in cities but I was raised in Texas, so there's a certain amount of connection to the earth." – JoBeth Williams

"All you've got to do is go back and look in the early 1900s and see what we had in Texas without public education and realize what it has done for the state." – Pete Laney

"I'd heard about Texas football and how much of a religion it is, but to go to Odessa and experience it first-hand is something different than just hearing about it." – Jay Hernandez

"First time I saw Elvis was at the Lubbock County fairgrounds in Lubbock, Texas. He was on the back end of a truck. There was about 1500 screaming kids." – Mac Davis

"Deep down, I'm a Texas girl looking for that big romance every girl dreams about. Biologically, I look forward to being a cor-

nerstone of a family. I'll be in my glory when I have a child on my knee." – Renee Zellweger

"And to me, I had come out of Texas, and during that time was when I realized that a lot of people in Nashville, their idea of what country music was was not the same as mine." – Lee Ann Womack

"The sky in Texas is the most amazing sky in the whole country, I think, like you can see more sky in Texas than you can see anywhere else in the world." – Idina Menzel

"There can be no argument about the Lone Star State's significant contributions to American history, and we must remember the actions and the sacrifices of those who made Texas independence a reality." – Michael McCaul

"Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys are simply the best band that ever was." – George Strait

"When I was about 12, I had my first paying gig - 8 dollars to play rhythm guitar in a polka band. Pretty soon, I ended up playing in all the bars within driving distance of Abbott, Texas." – Willie Nelson

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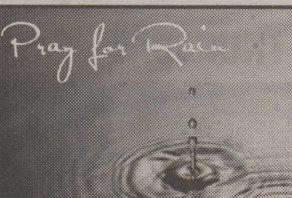
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USDA Seeks Public Comments on Conservation Program

(COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS), July 18, 2014 — U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Judith A. Canales announced today that a public meeting will be held on August 4, 2014, at Plains Cotton Cooperative Association in Lubbock to solicit comments on a recently completed draft analysis that examines the potential environmental impacts of changes to the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) enacted by the 2014 Farm Bill.

CRP encourages farmers and ranchers to establish long-term vegetative species, such as grasses or trees, on environmentally sensitive farmland to help reduce soil erosion, improve water quality and develop wildlife habitat. The draft environmental analysis was prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1970 which requires federal government agencies to review the environmental effects of proposed federal actions.

FSA has scheduled five public meetings to provide information on the draft analysis and to provide opportunities for public comment. Stakeholders interested in farmland conservation are invited to attend, and FSA representatives will be available to answer questions. The meetings will be held at the following locations:

Date	Time	Location Information
July 21, 2014	6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Hilton Garden Inn, Spokane Airport 9015 West SR Highway 2 Spokane, Washington, 99224
July 22, 2014	6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Holiday Inn, Great Falls 1100 5 th Street South Falls, Montana, 59405
August 4, 2014	6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Plains Cotton Cooperative Association 3301 East 50 th Street Lubbock, Texas, 79404
August 5, 2014	6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Stillwater Library 1107 S Duck Street Stillwater, Oklahoma, 74074
August 6, 2014	6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Courtyard By Marriott and Moorhead Area Conference Center 1080 28 th Avenue, South Moorhead, Minnesota, 56560.

The draft environmental analysis can be reviewed online at: <http://crpspeis.com>. For questions, producers should contact their county FSA office or seek information online at http://crpspeis.com/Resources/Documents/CRP_SPEIS_Draft_NOA.pdf and www.fsa.usda.gov.

Today's announcement was made possible through the 2014 Farm Bill, which builds on historic economic gains in rural America over the past five years, while achieving meaningful reform and credit; funding critical research; establishing innovative public-private conservation partnerships; developing new markets for rural-made products; and investing in infrastructure, housing and community facilities to help improve quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit www.usda.gov/farmbill.

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Floydada's Crazy Hoe Farms brings local produce to the table



Courtesy photo/The Texas Plains Trail Region, Barbara Brannon

Crazy Hoe Farms is a family affair with family and friends pitching in. Pictured from l to r, Brandie Miller Shock, Amanda Watson, Whitney Chancellor, Zoey Grace, Bridgette Fulton, Brenda Watson, Dean Watson and Tony Brocato.

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

Perhaps no trend has revitalized rural areas recently like the farm-to-table movement—the simple notion that people want to know where their food comes from and who grows it. This return to basics has created an increased value for fresh and local food, including a high demand for farmers' markets, an expectation of local produce in high-end restaurants and, along with both of those, a true appreciation for local farmers.

Walmart, for instance, the nation's largest retailer, has pledged to double the amount of local produce it sells from 2009 to 2015.

For four years one Floyd County family has been at the forefront of this latest trend in agriculture. For generations the Watsons of Floydada had been farming cotton, but several years ago, when both parents, Dean and Brenda, faced health difficulties, daughter Amanda returned home to help take care of them and the family farm. Along with her she brought along some ideas for how to overcome the drought that had plagued their cotton crop, and she convinced her parents to lease a portion of their land to her.

Crazy Hoe Farms, LLC, of Floydada was launched as a division of Watson Farms. Watson laughs off the question of the origin of the name by saying, "It comes from having to hoe cotton from the time I could walk, and the people who thought I was crazy for moving back to West Texas."

The Hesperian-Beacon caught up with the Watson family this past Saturday at the Lubbock Downtown Farmers Market, where farmers from Post to Canyon to Farwell to Idalou and other area towns could be found

selling everything from cantaloupes to chow chow, beans to bread loaves.

Between assisting customers clamoring for the home-grown tomatoes at the Crazy Hoe Farms booth, all of the Watsons joined in the interview. After some discussion back and forth, Amanda's parents, Dean and Brenda, calculated that their Floyd County farm had been in the family more than seventy years.

"I feel very lucky that I was raised with good, fresh food," Amanda said, "but the generation after me I think missed out, and all it got was the fast food way of life. Fortunately, I think all generations are now rediscovering good local food." Amanda's day job is in marketing with University Medical Center's Occupational Medicine in Lubbock.

Tony Brocato, whom Amanda introduced as her "better half," weighed in as well. "It comes down to health," he said. "Health care in this country is changing, and people need to make sure that they're taking care of their own health, and to be healthier, and one of the best ways you can do that is to eat healthy, fresh food." When not helping the Watsons, Brocato is director of marketing and business development with the UMC Physician Network in Lubbock.

The Lubbock Downtown Farmer's Market started in May 2009 as the Lubbock Downtown Art Market, with just a few food vendors and mostly artists and craftsmen, and it was held the second Saturday of each month.

But huge demand from the public drove a differentiation. Five years later, the artists and craftsmen for the most part now participate in the First Friday Art Trail, and the Lubbock Downtown Farmer's Market continues to expand and grow in frequency.

This year marks its first as a weekly event, as it now occurs June through October. This past Saturday had more than a dozen local produce and food vendors, in addition to crafters, coffee, and live music.

Across the greater South Plains region there are now more than a dozen farmers' markets, from Big Spring to Amarillo, to Snyder to Muleshoe, and many places in between.

One of the Watsons will be instrumental in starting a new farmers' market—this one in Petersburg. "Our son, David, has been working with the City of Petersburg," Brenda said, "and they'll be starting a farmers' market later this year. They're very excited because Petersburg doesn't have a grocery store."

Despite his insistence that he is "just a picker," Watson patriarch Dean comes from a long line of farmers and holds a degree in agronomy from Texas Tech. Daughter Amanda also attended Texas Tech.

Watson/Crazy Hoe Farms produce can now be found at some of the South Plains' finest restaurants, including Café J, Crafthouse Gastropub, Manna Bread and Wine, Stella's and Rain Uptown.

What does the future hold for the Watsons? "We're looking to expand with jams, jellies and T-shirts," Amanda said.

"Bridgette (Fulton), our granddaughter, makes the best jam," Brenda added.

"It's all about family and food," Amanda said.

For more information about the Watsons and Crazy Hoe Farms, visit their website at crazyhoe-farms.com. According to their website they grow tomatoes, squash, radishes, cucumbers, peppers, okra, and beans.

For more information about farmers' markets in this region, Local Llano keeps a current list at <http://localllano.wordpress.com/farmers-markets>.

Nomination Deadline Nears for Farm Service Agency County Committees

WASHINGTON, July 17, 2014 — U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) Administrator Juan Garcia reminds farmers, ranchers and other agricultural producers that Aug. 1, 2014, is the deadline for local FSA county committee nominations.

County committees are an important link between the farm community and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Farmers and ranchers elected to local committees share their opinions and ideas on federal farm programs.

"There's still time for eligible farmers and ranchers to get involved in this year's county committee elections," said Garcia. "Nominate yourself or a candidate of your choice to serve on the local county committee. I especial-

ly encourage the nomination of beginning farmers and ranchers, as well as women and minorities. This is your opportunity to have a say in how federal programs are delivered in your county."

While FSA county committees do not approve or deny farm ownership or operating loans, they work closely with county executive directors and make decisions on disaster and conservation programs, emergency programs, commodity price support loan programs and other agricultural issues.

Members serve three-year terms. Nationwide, there are about 7,800 farmers and ranchers serving on FSA county committees. Committees consist of three to 11 members that are elected by eligible producers.

To be eligible to serve on an FSA county committee, a person must participate or cooperate in a program administered by FSA, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and reside in the local administrative area where the person is nominated.

To become a candidate, an eligible individual must sign the nomination form, FSA-669A. The form and other information about FSA county committee elections are available at www.fsa.usda.gov/elections. Forms for the 2014 election must be post-marked or received in the local USDA Service Center by close of business on Aug. 1, 2014. Ballots will be mailed to eligible voters by Nov. 3 and are due back to the local USDA Service Centers on Dec. 1. The newly elected county committee members will take office on Jan. 1, 2015.

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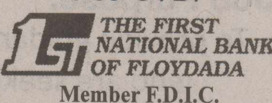
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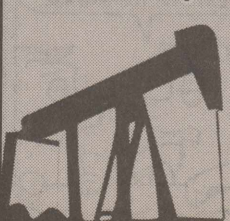
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The milo that Ray and Judy Macha's neighbors planted for them since Ray has been recuperating from a stroke in February is off to a good start.



Cotton and milo fields have been handled for Ray and Judy Macha by their Providence neighbors since Ray suffered a stroke in February.



Providence Farm Supply donated the milo seed to help Ray and Judy Macha since Ray had a stroke in February.

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and is getting stronger every day. According to Judy's friend Alice Gilroy, "Ray had to learn to swallow again. The doctor said his stroke happened in one of the worst places it could in the brain. But the last time we visited, I was very encouraged by what I saw. The tubes are out, and he's getting around better on his walker, and when you see him, you can understand him better when he talks, than when you try to talk to him over the phone. He still has a long recovery, but they have faith in his

ability to do it." The Machas have been through a lot in the past few years, according to Graves and Gilroy. Judy is a cancer survivor, and then about a year before Ray's stroke she had an extremely serious case of pneumonia. "Her heart actually stopped," Gilroy said, "but she was brought back. Ray had been helping her recuperate, and then the stroke happened." Despite their challenges, though, Gilroy said, "They've always helped others, whenever anyone needed a hand. They always, always do for other people. They live their Christian faith in everything they do." When it's time to har-

vest the crops, Graves said, "a bunch more guys will come in and help and get it done. It's just how we do things in Providence. I've been here more than 30 years, and it's not the first time I've seen folks come together to help another farmer. None of these guys would take anything for helping them out." Judy commented, "We are thankful beyond words that God has used our friends in such a wonderful way. We feel blessed." A love fund has also been set up for the couple at the Happy State Bank in Lockney. Providence was looking out for this little corner of Floyd County.

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cabinets, under the bed, vehicles - the sky's the limit as far as what you might want to sell. Booths already reserved will have

collectibles, Christmas decor, garage sale items, and "good junk". Cotton candy, fruit cups, funnel cakes, and popcorn can also be enjoyed while shopping. As Rosie says, "one man's junk is another man's treasure". The Fair Association

will have the concession stand with "walking tacos", drinks, and home-baked cookies and brownies. So, come on out to the Fairgrounds in Lockney on August 16-17 -- it will be "the place to be" in Floyd County!!

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



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\$21,315 less than the 2013-2014 budget. Johnson explained the reduction is primarily in electricity usage since they are not pumping as much water out of the lake. Johnson also said that the lake is currently up over 12 feet and they had received about two inches this week. He said that fishing was good and boats were

allowed on the lake but until the lake rises another 12 to 15 feet, skiing will not be allowed. The Council approved changes in some of the wording on the animal control documents. The Council also expressed a desire to begin making improvements to the holding pens that are currently used. The Council tabled the purchasing of software from FastCourt until it can be determined when the current software con-

tract expires. The Sheriff's Deputy Cory Speed spoke to the Council about the interest the Sheriff's Office has in purchasing a drug dog. Deputy Speed said that he had been in discussion with two different suppliers. One in San Antonio wants \$10,000 for the dog plus the expenses of training the handler of the dog. Another supplier in Little Rock wants only \$6,800 which includes training of the dog and handler.

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As previously reported in the Hesperian-Beacon, Floydada Police Chief Darrell Gooch said the student was a 16-year-old male. Text messages and social media played a role in the case, Gooch said. There were texts between the two parties involved, and the 16-year-old posted information

about the relationship on Facebook. According to Floydada School Superintendent Gilbert Trevino, Warren was a certified teaching assistant and had worked for the district for 12 years, but is no longer employed. Chuck Lanehart of Lubbock, Warren's defense attorney, commented, "She was not convicted of a crime. The judge deferred the crime and placed her on probation. It was not a

sex offender crime. She is not required to complete sex offender terms. She will be required to attend counseling." Lanehart added, "She regrets her actions. She gave up her teaching certificate, and nothing like this will ever happen again." Floydada High School principal Wayne Morren has confirmed that Warren will not be returning to employment with the school.

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Shepherd's Meadow News

By Joyce Williams
Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

This week's visitors at Shepherd's Meadow included Gale Campbell, who dropped in to see his mother, Dorothy Schweitzer, and gave her a kiss.

Visitors from down state were Neva Baxter's niece and great-niece, Zales Perry of New Braunfels and her daughter, Sandy Scher of San Antonio. The ladies said they drove the backroads and stayed off the interstate and make good time and felt safe. Sandy used to work in an assisted living place and gave a professional thumbs-up grade to Shepherd's Meadow. Neva said she never really new these two ladies, but Zales was Neva's sister's daughter and told the family stories Neva and her sister had grown up hearing. So she knew they shared a common heritage.

Little Chase Ross visited his great-grandmother, Bonnie Graham. We enjoyed his happy squeals as he re-discovered the toys Bonnie keeps in her room for visiting great-grandson to play with.

Suzanne Wyrick and Virginia Stringer from the Church of Christ visited me, LaFaun Smith and Margarette Word, who has recently moved here. Margarette worked as the school office secretary at Duncan Elementary for many years. Her daughter-in-law, Mona Bond, helped her move in. Mona and Greg Bond live in Granbury, Texas.

Charles Haenisch's visitors were his daughter, Jo Lynn and husband, Dr. Bill Dean. Recently the Wall Street Journal invited alumni of Ivy League colleges and universities such as Yale, Harvard and even Texas A&M University to help create perfume and aromas to sell to loyal fans and grads. Aromas that made them recall their college days. Charles laughed when he recalled warm days in class rooms and dorms during his years at Texas A&M University. Ever the southern gentleman, Charles forebore not to name the aroma he recalled of hot sweaty days before air-conditioned classrooms and dorms in College Station, Texas.

Sallye and Tommy Lyles visited his mother, Jo Lyles, leaving a new gown hanging in her closet and left Jo sleeping peacefully after supper Friday. Jo was one of Floydada High School's first cheerleaders.

Delores Cannon visited Neva Baxter. Both Baptist ladies have recently lost their husbands and helped each other as they adjust to a different lifestyle.

Gary Matsler and Jill Matsler Golden visited their mother, Lahoma Matsler on Saturday.

Employees here held a garage sale on the front porch last Saturday. Many beautiful household items, as well as clothing for all sizes and ages, were donated to sell to raise funds for holiday parties. Another garage sale is planned soon.

Gloria Fannon visited Margarette Word and recalled school teaching days at Duncan Elementary.

Bula McGowen welcomed a new great-grandchild, the grandchild of Norma and David McGowen.

Byron Ford's daughter, Dianne, joined her father for supper here Friday evening.

My daughter, Nancy Farrington of Amarillo, took me to Plainview last Thursday to get my new glasses and shades from Dr. Kopp. Then we shopped at Wal-Mart and

ran into Mazie Becker Hegi of Petersburg. Mazie recently had hip replacement surgery and in recovery looks her usual pretty and peppy self. Her husband, Dan Hegi, now lives in the nursing home in Idalou. Earlier in the summer, Mazie and the Petersburg Church of Christ hosted a singing for area churches and the Floydada City Park Church of Christ attended for singing and fellowship. I enjoyed the evening too.

Jeff Matsler of El Paso, Texas talked with his grandmother, Lahoma Matsler recently and told her of his upcoming move, as Army Chaplain, to New Haven, Connecticut, where he will study at Yale University. After completing classes at Yale, Jeff will be assigned to serve as Chaplain at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D.C. Jeff graduated from Floydada High School, McMurry University and Duke University.

LaFaun Smith enjoys reading the Caprock Courier and news of Silverton people including her son, Rance Young, of the Cowboy Church and his wife, who teaches school. The Caprock Courier is a combined paper of small towns below the Caprock including The Briscoe County News, Valley Crier and Motley County Tribune. The Caprock Courier paper is put together by John Arnold's niece of Silverton.

Alice Baker was visited over the weekend by her daughter, Sharon and husband, Fred Rogge of Abilene. When Alice moved to Shepherd's Meadow, she kept her home and her children would stay in it when they visited Alice on alternate weekends. Sharry's son, Trey, stays in his grandmother's home now and commutes to classes at Texas Tech University. He is majoring in math and plans to tech math at the college level. Trey visits his grandmother, Alice, and dines with her and he also attends First Baptist Church and has enjoyed making friends in Floydada among local young people.

Mark McGowen and cousin, Joshua of California, have visited Mark's grandmother, Bula McGowen, this week. David and Norma McGowen are young Mark's parents.

Ronnie Evans enjoyed a drive to Plainview when his wife, Aileen, picked him up for a change of scenery and a meal out of town.

After visiting with my friend Sharon Perez, who grew up on a Navajo Indian Reservation in Utah and in Arizona, I stopped at Subway and sat down to visit Kathy Wood, who used to teach music at Duncan Elementary School, and her husband, LBJ (not the LBJ from near the Pedernales River) but a former T-Bar Ranch cowboy, Leonard Buck Johnson, who now escorts his pretty school-teacher wife around to her social engagements such as Retired Teachers luncheons, Lions Club pianist, Shepherd's Meadow pianist and shopping trips.

The weed problem in town and county has grown to be a bigger than modern chemicals can control and farmers as well as home gardeners are having to hire cotton choppers, crews, families, and anyone that will get out in the yard, vacant lots or fields and get after these four foot tall weeds. People are teaching young people how to sharpen a hoe and get jobs so they can earn some money to buy new school clothes, like they did in generations past before Obama told them they didn't have to work.

Business of the Month



Courtesy Photo

The Floydada Chamber has selected Payne Family Pharmacy as their "Business of the Month" for July. Pictured are Makayla Jackson, Justin Payne, Susie Flores, Hannah Smith, Denise Payne and Sherry Smith.

July 27 is National Day of the Cowboy

By Dee Derr
The Red River Sun

Around the globe the image of the cowboy is recognized as the spirit of the American west.

In recognition of cowboys, both past and present, the 9th Annual National Day of the Cowboy is held on July 27. This celebration has been officially adopted in perpetuity in Arizona, California, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon and Wyoming. As of July 3, 2013 Texas, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Tennessee and Washington state legislatures have passed a resolution or proclamation to celebrate the cowboy on this date as well.

For better or worse, the historic truth about cowboy life has taken a back seat to the glamorized almost mythical mystique that Hollywood has created around the cowboy image.

America became enraptured with the unrealistic portrayals of singing cowboys by performers like Gene Autry and Roy Rogers. They helped to instill the Cowboy Code which promoted the all around good-guy image which persists in our culture to this day.

The Cowboy Code

1. A cowboy never takes unfair advantage, even of an enemy.
2. A cowboy never betrays a trust.
3. A cowboy always tells the truth.
4. A cowboy is kind to small children, to old folks, and to animals.
5. A cowboy is free from racial and religious prejudice.
6. A cowboy is always helpful, and when anyone's in trouble he lends a hand.
7. A cowboy is a good worker.
8. A cowboy is clean about his person, and in thought, word, and deed.
9. A cowboy respects womanhood, his parents, and the laws of his country.
10. A cowboy is a patriot.

Over time the Hollywood image of the cowboy began to undergo a slow transformation. During the 1960s, Actor John Wayne was well known for his portrayal of a gruff but like-able, gunslinger. During the 70s and 80s, Clint Eastwood transformed the image of the cowboy even further by playing characters that were often tough, gritty, quiet, loners.

In reality, cowboys are industrious, self-reliant, working class folks who perform a job that is anything but glamorous.

There aren't too many people who enjoy the idea of getting up early, rain or shine, to feed livestock, mend fences, or round up strays. A cowboy's office is outdoors in rugged terrain. There is no air conditioning when the thermometer reads triple digit heat, nor is there a furnace to take the chill out of your bones when the mercury falls below freezing. As an added bonus cowboys deal with dust storms, thorns, scorpions, snakes and the occasional stubborn, cantankerous bull that out weighs them by several thousand pounds.

In spite of the fact that a cowboy's day can be long, tedious, dirty and difficult, he wouldn't be happy doing anything else. For those who are lucky enough to be a cowboy 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, it's a calling - not a career.

The 'cowboy uniform'

For most working cowboys, their daily work uniform generally consists of a cowboy hat, boots, chaps, spurs and possibly a lariat.

Cowboy Hat

The cowboy hat has been a long standing symbol of the American cowboy and is often attributed to a man by the name of Hunter Stetson. Around 1865, Stetson created a hat using felted animal fur as a joke.

Stetson amused his companions by kneading fur with his hands, dipping it into boiling water and kneading it again. He continued this process until he had a smooth workable piece of felted fabric.

He then formed it into the shape of a hat with a wide brim. He wore it to amuse his friends but was impressed by how well it protected him from the elements. Stetson began marketing his hats and today, the trademark Stetson hat is known to cowboys the world over.

Cowboy Boots

The original inventor of the cowboy boot has been lost to history. Most accounts agree that after the Civil War ended some of the soldiers took jobs driving cattle across the country. Many of them still had the boots they had worn during the war, which weren't well suited for long days spent on horseback.

Around 1870 some bright fellow asked a shoemaker to make a pair of boots with a pointy toe so it would slide into the stirrups with ease. He also asked for a taller shaft to protect his calves from brambles and thorns while riding through brush and a thicker heel so his boot wouldn't slide out of the stirrup while he was riding.

The first cowboy boots were custom made and offered very little in the way of style. Because they were such a practical tool for working cowboys to own, mail order catalogues began selling mass produced cowboy boots. It didn't take long before boot companies began experimenting with ways to make a more attractive product through design, decorative stitching, materials and color.

Chaps

Leather chaps are worn over a cowboy's trousers to provide protection for his legs. They generally fasten around the hips with a belt and cover the lower leg and upper thigh area to protect against mesquite thorns, cactus and other hazards.

Styles can vary depending on personal tastes. Shotgun chaps, sometimes called stove-pipe chaps, fit closely down the entire length of the leg while allowing the cowboy to move freely.

Batwing chaps fasten around the upper leg but are designed to flare at the bottom. This allows greater movement of the lower leg and provides more air circulation in hot weather.

Chinks are chaps which fasten around the upper thigh but they only extend two to four inches below the knee.

Woolies are a variation of leather chaps which are often made using fleece, angora, or buffalo hides with the hair intact, giving them a 'wooly' appearance. This particular design began to appear around 1887 in the northern Great Plains and Rocky Mountains due to their warmth.

J. C. Fortenberry Family Reunion to be held

By Norma Welch

The J. C. Fortenberry, I Family Reunion will meet at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center at Muncy (half-way between Floydada and Lockney) on Friday, August 8 at 6 p.m. Hamburgers and drinks will be provided.

Bring cookies, cake or a freezer of ice cream for the contest. Games will be held

for all ages.

On Saturday, August 9, breakfast will start at 7 a.m. There will be sourdough biscuits, gravy, eggs, sausage, bacon, and cinnamon rolls. The business meeting and program will be held at 10 a.m. Bring a dish to share for lunch will begin at 12 noon.

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Visitors Can Tour Caprock Canyons State Park on New Shuttle



Courtesy Photo

Caprock Canyon visitors can now take advantage of a new shuttle, the Doodlebug, to take various tours throughout the Caprock Canyonlands.

By Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

QUITAQUE -- Caprock Canyons State Park has a new tourism shuttle, the Doodlebug. Named for the passenger train that in the 1930s transported its riders to various destinations along the Fort Worth and Denver South Plains Railroad, the Caprock Canyons Doodlebug will shuttle visitors on scheduled tours following the same route along the 64-mile Caprock Canyons Trailway and on state park roads as well.

Known in its heyday as the "Burlington Doodlebug," the train consisted of an engine and passenger coach. Local residents would travel from town to town by "flagging" it down and having the conductor drop them off at their desired destination.

Caprock Canyons State Park's Doodlebug is an open-air, electric vehicle with a 14-passenger capacity that can travel up to 60 miles on a single charge. Visitors riding in the shuttle will be provided a unique opportunity to discover the Caprock Canyonlands from the comforts of a vehicle to enhance their outdoor experience. Various Doodlebug sightseeing adventures include "Bat Tours" that offer a guided tour down the Caprock Canyons Trailway, where visitors can witness the emergence flight of a half million Mexican free-tailed bats and enjoy spectacular views of the rugged breaks of the Llano Estacado.

For more information on the Doodlebug or to schedule a "Bat Tour," please call Caprock Canyons State Park & Trailway at (806) 455-1492.

Assignment: Texas When it Rains

The sound of rain dappling the surrounding prairie is a welcome one. For the past few years, the people in Childress County (and most of the rest of Texas) have endured a horrendous drought. In casual conversation, people quizzically wondered aloud when it would rain again and with a certain degree of credibility, questioned if it would rain again.



RUSSELL GRAVES

Drought, according to climatologists, is cyclical. They've happened to Texas before and they'll happen again. This latest drought has taught Texans a lot about water usage and ultimately, water conservation. Some of those conservation lessons were learned long ago and are being re-adopted.

Drive through West Texas farm country and take a close look at some old farmsteads. Many times you'll see an old metal cistern behind the homes. The cisterns were there to catch and store rain when it fell for use during the times when the rain did not fall.

Feeling like a modern pioneer when I built my new home on a piece of rural ground where a house has never stood, I wanted to incorporate old technology into my new design. So I had my friend Gary Clark of Clark ETS, help me design and install a small system that would harvest and store the rainfall from only a single side of one roof.

Unlike the pioneers of old, my captured rainfall will not serve to provide drinking or toilet water for my family. Instead, I'll use it to water a small vineyard and other landscape features scattered about the yard. That's important to me considering I suspect that the water district's restrictions that currently guide our irrigation practices

under will probably remain the norm from now on. To have any semblance of a landscape, I need to be able to provide my own water and not rely on the rural water system that supplies the house proper.

According to Clark, one square foot of roof captures just over a half a gallon of water with every inch of rain. Therefore, figuring out how much rain your roof will catch becomes a simple math problem.

At my place, my house has a roof that's roughly 1,900 square feet, an attached carport that has a 780 square feet, a barn that has another 780 square feet, and a shed with 576 square feet of roof. In all, I have just over 4,000 square feet of roof area. If I were to catch all of rainfall that falls on the roofs, one inch of rainfall would yield 2,500 gallons of water (square footage X inches of rain per event X .623 (gallons captured per square foot per inch of rain)). Considering that on a typical year, we get about 22 inches of rainfall, that's 55,000 gallons of water I could capture annually.

Even during the driest times, rain still fell. Even 10 inches a year could still yield 25,000 gallons of captured water if I were to capture all of the rainfall.

Right now, I just plan to capture one side of the gabled carport roof so we set up a small, 600 gallon system that uses a galvanized tank that's modeled after the old school cisterns. The look fits in nicely with the farmhouse architecture of the house. Less than a week after we made the final plumbing connection to the gutter, rain begins to fall.

The storm comes in quick, dumps just shy of an inch of rain and moves on to wet other parts of the Rolling Plains.

When the sky clears, I feel the side of the galvanized metal tank and its about a third full. At this rate it won't take long until the tank is full - fresh water ready for use during the next dry spell.

The 501 To Tan or Not to Tan?

Medical opinions change. Nothing beats a change for the better when something previously deemed dangerous is suddenly healthy. Like sunshine.

Getting burned has never been on anybody's list of healthy things to do, but the rules used to advise easing into summer, carefully getting the perfunctory tan incrementally, somehow soaking up Vitamin D along the way - not that juveniles of my era who wanted a tan did it for vitamin D. And not that we didn't overdo our tanning regimens. We did.



HANABA MUNN WELCH

At some point after grade school I decided the sun's rays don't actually contain vitamin D but that somehow, in a way as mysterious as photosynthesis, sunshine makes vitamin D happen somewhere under my skin. That's pretty much still my understanding. Check Wikipedia if you want a different version. I haven't.

All that said, at some point post-midcentury the bad effects of sunshine seemed to begin outweighing the good ones, and I started spending good money on sunscreen. (Good money is the kind you'd rather not spend.)

Keep that thought while we go back in time.

My grandmother was victim of a different fashion dictum. A photograph of her and her sisters, Hallie and Sadie, shows a trio in long-sleeved blouses with necklines almost to their ear lobes. (Grandmother's name was Dessie, in case you're wondering.) Back then, if you were white you tried to stay as white as possible. That way you

looked like you didn't have to work in the fields or ride the range, even if you did, like Grandmother and her sisters. They were born first, second and third, meaning they handled the outdoor chores while their three little brothers ran wild under the nose of their mother, who liked to tat and dip and crochet and spoil the boys, per family lore.

Indeed, skin cancer didn't ever plague my grandmother, as best I recall. Maybe it was good she tried to stay fair. On the other hand, wouldn't some sunshine in her youth have beneficially upped her vitamin D levels? Did anyone talk about vitamins in those turn-of-the-century snake oil days? Maybe. But health aside, the important thing was not to get tan. Then as now, fashion rules. Otherwise, tanning salons wouldn't be a viable use of nondescript buildings with minimal or no windows - properties here and there that otherwise might be good only for tattoo parlors or law offices. Here's to tanning salons.

Yes, we've jumped back to our millennium.

The latest news:

A blurb is circulating via Facebook to say sunshine is back in favor. The breaking news is based on a years-long study of Swedish sunbathers who outlived their non-tanning counterparts.

SCAM CHECK.

Sure enough, health experts aren't swallowing the sensationalized tanning-is-good-for-you story hook, line and tanning oil. So much for my initial joy over a sea change in medical thought.

As usual, the voice of reason supports moderation. It's like what we learned in grade school is still true. Sunshine is good for you. Don't burn.

I hate dull endings.

Lightning Rods Can Give Safety And Peace Of Mind

By Keith Randall
News & Information Services

COLLEGE STATION, July 8, 2014 — Lightning might be a lot more common than most people think -- with almost 2,000 thunderstorms pounding the Earth at any given moment, it means there are about 50 lightning strikes per second, and some of it could be heading your way. But installing a lightning rod may strike away some worries about a bolt heading for your home, says a Texas A&M University lightning expert.

Richard Orville, professor of atmospheric sciences who has studied lightning for more than 35 years and established the National Lightning Detection Network (NLDN), believes that lightning rods are useful tools for negating the positive power of a lightning bolt. More than 20 years ago, Orville led key studies in the physics of lightning and helped to establish the NLDN which is located in 48 states and Canada and detects most (95 percent) lightning ground strikes.

"Lightning rods provide a safe path for lightning to ground," he points out.

"They are placed on the highest point of a building, and an upward leader from the rod connects with a downward stepped leader. The rod—which is grounded—provides a safe path for the electricity to reach the ground."

Orville knows from experience.

His own home not far from

the Texas A&M campus was hit by a powerful lightning bolt in 2008, and it smashed into a tree 18 feet from his house, and from there it did damage to his swimming pool lights and his home's electrical system. The final repair bill was about \$4,500.

"The bolt peak current measured 158,000 amps, and we know that exactly because it was recorded by the lightning network," he adds. "Most bolts are in the 25,000 to 30,000 amp range, so it was many times larger than normal. A lightning rod might have taken the strike and saved me the financial expense. We also lost the tree."

Few homes today are equipped with a lightning rod, but if you live in an area where thunderstorms are common, it might be a good idea to have one, he notes.

"If you have a metal roof on your home like some people do, it would certainly be worth considering having one installed," he says, "because the chances are greater it will be hit. In Texas, we have thunderstorms 12 months out of the year, so we get our share of lightning."

He says Houston is the lightning capital of Texas, and the city gets about 20 strikes per square mile each year.

Very tall structures are almost certainly going to be hit by lightning, he adds. New York's Empire State Building, at more than 1,400 feet tall, has been hit by lightning thousands of times since it opened in 1931, but it was built with lightning rod features.

"Today, most skyscrapers in big cities include such features, and these include lightning rods," Orville says. "It's a standard building procedure."

If you want a lightning rod for your home, kits are available at many building supply centers or can be ordered online.

"They can give you peace of mind because they do work," Orville confirms.

"I would recommend having more than one along a roof line especially if it is a large home, and unless you are a super duper handyman, it's one job a professional installer should do."

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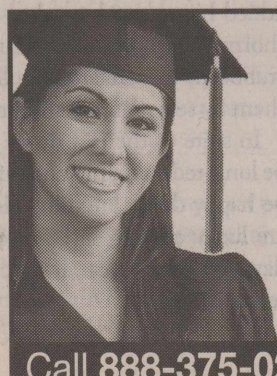
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<p>AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH Dennis Butler, Pastor Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. *****</p> <p>BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH 810 S. 3rd, Floydada Darwin Robinson, Pastor 983-5278 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday 7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP Floydada Armando Morales, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>CARR'S CHAPEL Service Every Sunday: Morning Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>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 Worship 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Tim Franks, Pastor Terry Simmons, Minister of Ed./Music Josh Burgett - Min. Students Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Morning Worship ... 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study ... 6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Lockney Jonathan Sullivan, Pastor Chad Cook, Youth Min. Phil Cotham, Music Min. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Wednesday (Youth) .. 7:15 p.m. *****</p>	<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Floydada Rev. Les Hall, Pastor Morning Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:50 a.m. Youth (Sunday) 5:00 p.m. Youth (Wednesday) .. 6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Lockney Rev. Ricky Carstensen, Pastor Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Jr. High 5:30 p.m. Wed. High School... 6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Joe Bennett, Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m. Tuesday 8:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST Lockney Beau A. Hart, Minister Bible Study 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship ... 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wednesday 7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Floydada Rev. Timothy Askew 401 N 12th St (983-5805) Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Study .. 6:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Floydada Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges (806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. *****</p> <p>OUT REACH HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH Floydada Rev. David Ramos, Pastor Ester Ramos, Praise Leader Sunday Bible... 10:00 a.m. Morning Praise.. 11:00 a.m. Evening Praise ... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Worship.... 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor 704 N. Main, Lockney Sunday Services..... 10:00 a.m. Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m. Wednesday 7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA Lockney Jesus Caballero, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Discipleship 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA Floydada Rev. Toby Gonzales Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Evening 7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH Lockney Jim McCartney, Pastor Wed. Communion... 8:00 p.m. Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m. *****</p> <p>SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH Joe Weldon, Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD 701 W. Missouri Joe M. Hernandez 983-5286 (church) Sunday School English..... 9:45 a.m. Spanish..... 11:00 a.m. Spanish Worship 9:30 a.m. English Worship..... 11:00 a.m. Evening Service..... 5:00 p.m. Wednesday 7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH Floydada Rev. Angelo Consemio Phone: 983-5878 Sunday Mass..... 11:30 a.m. Mon. Wed. Mass 6:30 p.m. Confession Sat..... 10-11 a.m. *****</p> <p>TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM Lockney Rev. Joe Hernandez Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 p.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Meeting 7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD Washington and 1st St. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA Rev. Herman Martinez 308 W. Tennessee, Floydada Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. Tuesday 7:30 p.m. Thursday Service..... 7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>TRINITY ASSEMBLY 500 W. Houston Henry Russell, Co-Pastor Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor 983-5499 or 983-2887 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship ... 10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH Providence Community on FM 2301 293-3009 Rev. Peter W. Harrington Minister Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. *****</p> <p>WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST Floydada 983-2672 or 470-0950 Sunday Worship ... 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening 2:00 p.m.</p>
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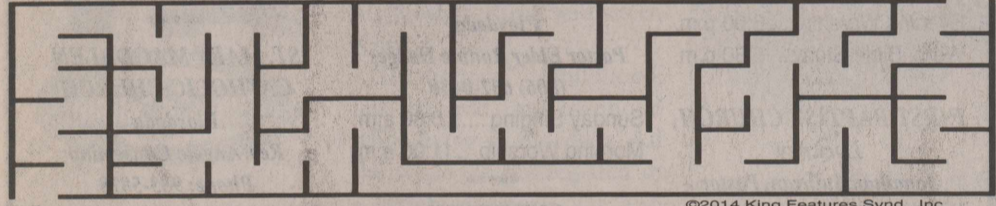
Kay Ellington/The Hesperian-Beacon
A new Floydada business hosted a Grand Opening Monday, July 21. You'll find Rocket Gym, right across the street from the car wash and the Dairy Queen. This week the H-B will catch up with the owners and learn about their services and features, and share them with you with a story and photo, Wednesday, July 30.

Harmony Plains Singing School



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Campers began arriving Saturday at the Harmony Plains Singing School in Cone. The camp which teaches skills in singing songs of faith celebrates its 51st year and runs July 20-25. The public is invited to come and enjoy the fellowship each night during the camp at 7:30.

Kids' Maze



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Comptroller Susan Combs Distributes \$603 Million in Monthly Sales Tax Revenue to Local Governments

Recipient	July 2014 Allocations	Change from July 2013	Year-to-Date Change
Cities	\$394.1M	↑4.4%	↑6.7%
Counties	\$39.6M	↑2.6%	↑3.6%
Transit Systems	\$134.2M	↑1.4%	↑6.9%
Special Purpose Taxing Districts	\$34.6M	↑15.8%	↑18.8%
Total	\$602.5M	↑4.2%	↑7.1%

County/City	Current Rate	Net Payment This Period	Comparable Payment Prior Year	% Change	2014 Payments To Date	2013 Payments To Date	% Change
Floyd							
Floydada	1.750%	24,292.06	33,628.26	-27.76%	164,889.52	188,706.90	-12.62%
Lockney	1.500%	7,954.99	9,113.36	-12.71%	63,764.35	63,930.40	-0.25%
County Total		32,247.05	42,741.62	-24.55%	228,653.87	252,637.30	-9.49%

(AUSTIN) — Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said today that state sales tax revenue in June was \$2.24 billion, up 3.7 percent compared to June 2013.

"Sales tax revenues continue to grow at a moderate pace," Combs said. "The increase was led by remittances from the wholesale trade, services, and restaurant sectors. Fiscal year-to-date collections have now grown by 5.2 percent."

Combs will send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose

taxing districts their July local sales tax allocations totaling \$602.5 million, up 4.2 percent compared to July 2013.

The sales tax figures represent monthly sales made in May.

In Floyd County, there was an overall decrease of 9.49 percent. Floydada will receive a payment of \$24,292.06 which is a decrease from the same period in 2013 of 27.76 percent. Lockney will receive a payment of \$9,113.36 which is a decrease of 12.71 percent.

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