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McKnight stands up for rural communities in runoff election

By Jennifer Harbin

Trent McKnight, Republican candidate for State Representative for House District 68, made a trip to Floyd County June 21 to thank the citizens of the county for their votes in the previous election and encourage voter turnout for the upcoming runoff election.

Early voting for the runoff will be held July 23-27 with the actual election day on July 31.

"It is a very important runoff," said McKnight. "As Texas has become more of an urban state, there are fewer and fewer voices in rural West Texas, and if we want our say in the state legislature, we have to get out and make sure our voices are heard."

According to McKnight, District 68 is one of two rural districts in Texas encompassing over 22 counties.

"If we want to have a voice for agriculture in these small towns, we want to make sure that we send someone to Austin who understands agriculture in these rural communities," said McKnight. "It is important to have someone with a production, agricultural and rural background."

He has recently received the endorsements of Texas Farm Bureau, Texas Cattle Feeders, and Texas Cattle Raisers Association, as well

as the confidence of current State Rep. Rick Hardcastle and Texas Parent PAC, a pro-public education group made up of parents, teachers and administrators from across the state.

McKnight's conservative platform supports water, jobs and schools.

He says that he wants to make sure that property rights are protected and that land owners maintain the right to the water beneath the surface.

"Texas is due to double in population by the year 2050, that's twice as many straws and the same number of streams," said McKnight. "If we don't begin thinking proactively today with the proper leadership and vision, then we will not have water to meet the water demand in the future of agriculture..."

Conservation will play a huge role in the agricultural future of Texans, and that can be achieved by continuing to educate on new technologies that continue to come into the market.

"The last thing we want is some type of a system that consolidates our voices and management in some bureaucracy in Austin," said McKnight. "As long as that control is local, you have people who are affected by the decisions going to be the ones making the decisions."



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Trent McKnight, Republican candidate for the House District 68 runoff, made a stop in Floyd county to discuss his platform and how he would be able to help rural communities if elected. McKnight is seen here with local businessman and county commissioner Linden Morris discussing what is important for Floyd county residents.

McKnight claims that schools are the center of every community in rural Texas. The way that schools are run in Lockney and Floydada is different from how they are run in Lubbock and Dallas. He says that he feels that we should have the right to run

our schools how we see fit, as well as make sure "rural Texas has a seat at the table whether it's finance or other school issues."

Another issue of importance is economic development opportunities being afforded to rural communities.

Five years ago, McKnight started an organization in Throckmorton that raised over \$5.5 million for rural economic development projects that helped build sidewalks, tear down old houses, crush cars and created a few small businesses and jobs.

"I think that we can see to it that rural Texas not only survives, but thrives in the future," said McKnight. "But we have to pull together our resources and best practices and make sure what opportunities are available are made known to small towns."

Water restrictions in effect for Lockney

WATER RATIONING CHART

House numbers ending in 1, 2, 3	Tuesday and Thursday	6-8 p.m.
House numbers ending in 4, 5, 6	Wednesday and Saturday	6-8 p.m.
House numbers ending in 7, 8, 9, 0	Friday and Sunday	6-8 p.m.

By Jennifer Harbin

If you have noticed that local drinking water has become milky white, the reason is that there is air in the water line from the Aiken well because of the well's inability to keep up with water usage.

The shortage in Lockney was discussed at the last two City Council meetings. And though no official motion was given to implement water rationing at the June 14 meeting, Mayor Roger Stapp made an emergency decision to begin the rationing shortly afterward.

After a water and sewer grant was issued to the city for a ground water storage tank, and the old tank removed, it was apparent that the water being supplied by the Aiken well was being used faster than it was coming in.

The new tank is being installed and Lockney citizens need to take the water rationing very seriously, according to City Secretary Charlotte Hooten.

The Aiken well began surging, sucking in

dirt and sand, because it can not accommodate the whole town's water needs.

"We want to really stress that people need to pay attention to this," said Hooten. "If the well surges too long we may have to get expensive repairs done on the well."

According to Hooten, if residents continue to water at the rate that they are that the city could be in trouble and watering would have to stop altogether.

In the morning hours, the Aiken well is being used and switched to the Mackenzie Lake water supply in the afternoon. The rationing system put in place was built after Lubbock's rationing program.

Watering is restricted to 6 to 8 p.m. and there will be no watering from 7 a.m. to noon. See chart for specific watering days.

Once the new tank is installed by September, regular watering should resume.

Floydada is currently under no water restrictions according to City Manager Gary Brown.

Punkin' Days bringing back old favorites for Anniversary

By Jennifer Harbin

Punkin' Days is getting a slight makeover this year in lieu of its 25th Anniversary.

The Chamber of Commerce held its first Punkin' Days Committee Meeting to discuss ways to ramp up the local celebration on June 26.

The old greats such as the pumpkin decorating contest, obstacle course and train will still be there but some fun activities from Punkin' Days gone by will be added to the agenda.

One event will be the Fat Person Race. A four-person team will take on the town square as they each race to a station where a piece of pumpkin pie will be waiting. The racer must eat the piece of pie before the next teammate may take off. The race will continue until all team members have eaten their pie and have completed one lap around the courthouse as a team.

Other old, but new, events will be the team washer pitching contest, a chili cook off, the Punkin' Patch Cutie Con-

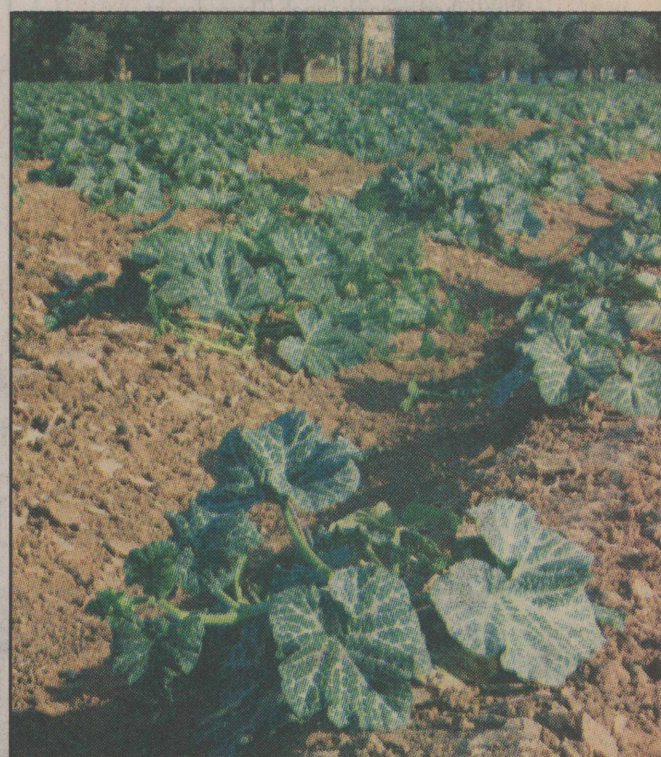


Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Pumpkin vines are in bloom on Jason Pyle's drip irrigated farm along Highway 62. They were planted on May 15 and consist of the Cinderella, White and Fairytale varieties.

test and many others. Undetermined prizes will be awarded.

Details of these contests and a more complete sched-

ule of events will be printed at a later date.

Punkin' Days will be October 13 downtown starting at 8 a.m.

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FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM

FLOYD COUNTY HISTORY FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM FROM THE FLOYD COUNTY HESPERIAN OCTOBER 8, 1931

**Written by Veda Wooten
HISTORY OF COUNTY FOR 24 YEARS REFLECTED IN ACCOUNTS OF THE FLOYD FAIRS**

Original Celebration Held in Old Court House, 1907

War and Drouth Made Intermittences Necessary; Early Newspaper Records Destroyed by Fire; Exhibits Win Places at State and Other Fairs.

History of Floyd County, covering a period of 24 years, is pretty clearly reflected in the records of the Floyd County Fairs, the first of which was held in 1907 and continued with few intermittences since that year. Drouth, war and reverses along with peace, prosperity and plenty—all have had a part and a place in the story told in the annals of the fair. The Floyd County fair was a continual event for 11 consecutive years. The first exception was in 1918 when war and drouth interfered.

Missed Several Years

Records show that no fairs were held in the years 1918-20-21-22-23-24 and 25, however, the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce gathered materials to exhibit in the State and Tri-State Fairs during several of those years.

The first fair ever held in Floyd County was in the year of 1907. It was held in the old wooden court house and on the lawn. Four of the ladies in charge of the Ladies' Department of the first event were Mrs. C. Surginer, Mrs. E. C. Henry, Mrs. J. B. Bartley, and Mrs. W. L. Boerner.

Mrs. Henton received most of the premiums given that

year.

Historical files before 1912 were destroyed by fire but a complete running account may be traced in the files of The Floyd County Hesperian published since that year.

The 1912 Fair

The following story appeared in The Hesperian on the 1912 fair:

"Without making any rash statement we may say that the seventh annual Floyd County Fair to be held in Floydada October 3 and 4, 1912, Thursday and Friday—has every promise of being one of the most successful in the history of the town. While some sections of the county have not been blessed with as good crops as usual, these streaks are small and the greater part of the county has bountiful crops which will be well-represented on the fair grounds in South Floydada on fair days. Floyd County also has some fine live stock hogs, horses, of all breeds, cows,—and also poultry, departments for which will be under capable management at the grounds.

"Every good citizen is urged to come, bring the best of his farm and enter them. The prize list appears in another column of this paper and from it can be judged the variety of the prizes offered.

"Many outsiders have been writing to parties in the country relative to the dates of the fair, and we will doubtless have with us some of these who are seeking homes in the West as well as the farmers of the county. Floyd County as a whole has had excellent advantages this year and we should make a good showing at the Fair grounds.

"The date Thursday and Friday, October 3 and 4, 1912.

"The following committees have been appointed by the Executive Committees, A. D. White, I. D. Gamble and J. W. Blair of the County Fair to have charge of the departments shown below. They are urged to give this special attention and take charge of their respective de-

partments to receive, assort and otherwise care for the entries made:

"Horse Committee: T. H. Edwards, J. H. Shurbet, S. N. McPeak.

"Cattle Committee: L. H. Newell, A. C. Smith, J. E. Staley.

"Hog Committee: C. D. Thacker, E. C. Henry, J. M. Hughes.

"Poultry Committee: Glad Snodgrass, H. Martin. J. A. Altman.

"Farm Products Committee: A. L. Bishop, W. I. Allen, W. L. Boerner.

"Vegetable Committee: J. A. Price, R. H. Baker, R. C. Scott.

"Fruit Committee: F. P. Henry, W. M. Massie, F. M. Price.

"Ladies' Department Committee: Mrs. W. I. Cannaday, Miss Z. A. Newell, Mrs. Gertrude Massie.

"According to the report of the committee appointed to judge in this department, the following prizes were awarded to the Ladies department: French and Eyelet, Mrs. Plumlee; Hardanger, Grandma Butler; Punch work, Grandma Butler; Crochet, Mrs. J. M. Massie; Point lace, Mrs. H. Martin; ladies dress, Mrs. J. M. Massie; dressed doll, Miss Emma McKinney; pear preserves, Mrs. Plumlee; apple jelly, Mrs. J. A. Wyman; tea cakes, Mrs. J. V. Steen; loaf light bread, Mrs. Bishop; loaf cake and layer cake, Mrs. Massie.

"For the Agricultural department; Cotton, W. T. Ellison; oats, J. E. Stanley; maize, A. L. Bishop; wheat, R. T. Miller; kaffir, E. P. Donathan; red kaffir, G. E. Graham; white maize, W. T. Ellison; red maize, G. E. Graham; Broomcorn, J. W. Rasco; yellow corn, L. H. Lewis; white corn, H. Martin."

Made Booster Trips

Booster trips telling of the 1916 fair were used to advertise the program. Seventeen cars were in the train that visited the following towns: Petersburg, Abernathy, Lubbock, Lorenzo, Ralls, Crosbyton, Cone, Lockney, Floco, Plainview, Hale Center, Mickey, Roaring Springs, Matador, White Flat, Flomot, Quitaque and Silverton.

From the rural exhibits, Lakeview won first prize in 1916. Other prizes given in the Farmers and Merchants parade, Glad Snodgrass was given the blue ribbon in the auto division and C. W. Dodson the blue ribbon in the float division.

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Courtesy Photo

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture is proud to present Quality Body shop as business of the month for July. The Sue family has owned and operated Quality Body Shop for the last 50 years. We encourage everyone to stop by and tell them thank you for being such a vital part of our community. Pictured are Regan Sue and Cayden Sue, nephews of current owners, Sheldon and Atha Sue, Margie and Johnny Bill Sue, original owners of Quality Body Shop, Sheldon & Atha Sue, current owners and employees, Joe Guerrero and Andrew Arvizu.

Lockney Salvation Army waiting for approval to start building

By Alynne Barker

We at the Lockney Salvation Army would like to say THANK YOU! Thank you for the generous and swift response to our building fund. We are overwhelmed with your response.

Right now we are waiting for the National Headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia to approve our plans and when they do we will start building. Everything has to be approved about the building. They requested we send them all details and specifications on the building and

the lot we will be placing the building on.

We have been given the lot behind the Dairy Queen on Main Street. We have assembled all information on size, cost estimates of materials on floors, walls, roof, windows, electric wiring, and outlets, plumbing, all fixtures, sidewalks, landscaping ...all has to be approved. We have sent all of these to headquarters and they are now approving it.

All your contributions have been deposited and when they say we can begin

to build we are ready and it should not be long! We are so anxious to start. We will soon have our sturdy built building on our lot. Please do not give up on us. Our building is going to be so pretty...light yellow trimmed in white with white tin roof. A porch on front, 2 large windows on front with flower boxes and red geraniums.

Thank you again for all you have done for the Salvation Army and Lockney. It is all appreciated so much. You are helping so many people.

FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

By Margaret Jones

Representing the symbol of FREEDOM, stands the flag of our country. The colors? red, white, and blue. Old Glory in all her splendor waves freely in the breeze as those of us so blessed to live in American prepare to celebrate this special holiday called the Fourth of July. Experiencing the presentation of "TEXAS" in Palo Duro Canyon last week, made known the meaning of the words..."life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." Sounds of awe and wonder filled the air as bursts of color rained down like a shimmering rainbow.

Whether you attend a celebration, family reunion or a picnic in the park, with homemade ice cream, watermelon or a wiener on a stick, remember to treasure the sights and sounds that we hold dear.

For more information call 806-983-2032
\$5.00 plate
Donations welcome.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK TOLL HOUSE PIE

2 eggs, ½ cup flour, ½ cup sugar (granulated), 1 cup butter, ½ cup semi-sweet chocolate chips, ½ cup butterscotch chips, 1 cup nuts. In large mixing bowl beat eggs until foamy. Beat in flour and sugar. Add butter (melted in microwave and cooled to room temperature). Stir in chips and nuts. Bake 1 hour at 325 degrees. Serve warm with cool whip.

Recipe from Wilma Gownes

"Thought for the Day" – Breathes there the man, with soul so dead, Who never to himself hath said, "This is my own, my native land."
Sir Walter Scott

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MEMORIALS

By Margaret Word
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Roy and Neva Baxter
In memory of Gene Lawsons – Ronald and Alynne Evans, Betty Baker

In memory of Boone Adams – Ronald and Alynne Evans, Jay and Patsy Johnson, Alvin Lawrence and Patty Johnson, Roy and Neva Baxter, Diamond Industrial Supply Company, Inc., Jane Pruitt, Wayland and Margaret Jones, Gary and Emma Pate, Betty Baker, Eva Parker and Patsy Parker

In memory of Nell Swinson – Betty Baker

In memory of Ray Nell Bearden – Betty Baker

In memory of Dr. Tommy McIntosh – Betty Baker

In memory of Judy Turner Stanley – Betty Baker

In Honor of Harold Bertrand – Dean and Kim Hinton, Betty Baker

MENU JULY 9 – JULY 13

Monday: Beef soft taco, Spanish rice, broccoli, seasoned corn, mandarin oranges w/whipped topping, low-fat milk

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

Wednesday: BBQ beef brisket, ranch-style beans, cornbread, buttered carrots, strawberries, low-fat milk

Thursday: Beef paprikash, mashed potatoes, seasoned broccoli, cantaloupe, honey bran bars, low-fat milk

Friday: Herb-roasted chicken, potato wedges, whole wheat roll, margarine, peas and carrots, strawberries w/whipped topping, low-fat milk

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OBITUARY



NANNIE TITUS

Nannie Titus, age 97, of Plainview passed away on Saturday, June 30, in Floydada.

Funeral service was held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 3, 2012 at Parklawn Memorial Gardens in Plainview.

Services were held under the direction of the Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Nannie Alma Pritchett was born on May 13, 1915, in Glenwood, Arkansas, to Early Price and Minnie (Plyler) Pritchett and attended schools in the Glenwood area. She married Melvin Titus on January 2, 1937. The couple later moved to Flomot to begin farming and relocated to Plainview in 1949 where she lived the rest of her life. She was a devoted member of the First Baptist Church, Plainview.

Nannie is survived by a son, Lee Roy Titus and wife, Sydney of Grapevine; her daughter, Sandra Crawford and husband, Jim of Floydada; two grandchildren; six great-grandchildren and one brother, Early Pritchett of Floydada.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Melvin, her brother, J.W. Pritchett, and her sister, Dorothy Reid.

The family is grateful to the staff of Shepherd's Meadow in Floydada for their attentive care of Nannie over the past year.

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

CLOYD L. MEYERS

Cloyd L. Meyers, age 79, of Floydada, passed away Saturday, June 23, 2012 in Lubbock. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, June 27, 2012 at the Trinity Assembly of God Church in Floydada with Pastor Vance Mitchell officiating.

Interment followed at the Floydada Cemetery. Arrangements are by Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

Cloyd was born August 31, 1932 in Spanish Fort, Texas to George Ernest and Mildred (Brown) Meyers. Cloyd married the love of his life, Mozell Thompson on May 8, 1953.

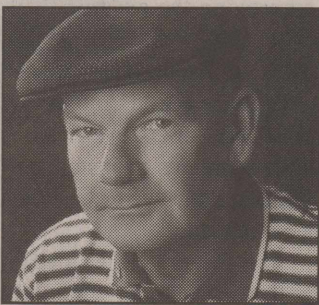
Cloyd joined the US Army from 1953 to 1955. He farmed for Louis Pyle and Delmas McCormick in Floydada since 1972. Cloyd loved

to hunt and fish. He raised coon dogs and was a bee keeper.

Cloyd is preceded in death by his parents, one brother and one sister.

He is survived by his wife, Mozell Meyers of the home; three sons, Kenneth Meyers and wife, Kaye of Saint Jo, Texas, Rickie Meyers and wife, Cristina of Floydada, and Dennis Meyers and wife, Michelle of Gainesville, Texas; 14 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren, and four sisters.

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



JAMES (JIM) DALE THOMAS

James (Jim) Dale Thomas passed from this life on June 23, 2012.

Memorial services were held at 10 a.m., Friday, June 29, 2012 in Boxwell Brothers Ivy Chapel with Jim McKee of Hillside Christian Church officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors, 2800 Paramount Blvd.

He was born in Lockney, Texas, on February 12, 1948. Jim graduated from Lockney High School in 1966, and served in the U.S. Army at Fort Ord, Calif., from 1969 to 1971. Upon honorable discharge, he moved to Dallas, where he married Janie Munroe from Plainview, Texas, on August 7, 1971. Jim graduated from University of North Texas in 1977 with a Bachelor's degree in business administration. He was licensed as a real estate broker in Texas and California, a certified property manager and insurance adjuster.

Jim's professional career started at Henry S. Miller Companies in Dallas, and in 1985 he started his own real estate company, Multiplex Realty Resources. As much as he loved commercial real estate sales and management, his first love was golf. In 1991, the family moved to California, and Jim attended the Professional Golfer's

Career College in Murrieta. When Jim started looking for a course to manage, the one that made the most sense to him was Southwest Golf Center in Amarillo, which he leased and managed from 1994 to 1999. It wasn't the most desirable course available, but it was close to home and he wanted his children to work with him. After the lease expired, he joined Prudential Ada Realtors as a broker associate. In 2007, he and Janie moved to California again, and he worked for Euclid Management Company as a Certified Property Manager. He and Janie returned to Amarillo in 2010.

His legacy extends far beyond his career. Jim was a family man and a loyal friend. He remained friends with someone everywhere he had lived, and his character and fun memories remain with them. His family knew his good heart, his optimistic attitude and can-do approach to everything he attempted.

He is predeceased by his mother, Dorothy Belle Rodgers Thomas, who died on June 24, 1992.

He is survived by his wife, Janie Munroe Thomas; son, Clinton James, and wife, Sarah Thomas, of Lewisville; daughter, Grayson René, and husband, Tyson Edds, of Temple, and two grandsons, Dawson Lane and Canyon Russell. He is also survived by his father, WL Thomas Jr., of Canyon; his brother, Billy Arnold, and wife, Barbara Thomas, of Pampa; his sister, Judith Ann, and husband, Dennis Nelson, of Spearman; his sister, Brenda Jo Thomas, of Canyon, and numerous nieces and nephews. He is also survived by his maternal aunt, Mildred, and husband, Richard Adams, and Jim's first babysitter, Betty Cargill Davis, of Amarillo. He was an important member of Betty's family as an infant and toddler.

Jim and Janie are members of Hillside Christian Church in Amarillo.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675, or to a favorite charity.

Sign the online guestbook at www.boxwellbrothers.com.

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The family of Cloyd Meyers would like to express their gratitude for everyone's act of kindness with the food, flowers and their words of sympathy. Words cannot express how much we appreciate all of the acts of kindness. A special thank you to Brother Mitchell, Brother Russell and the Trinity Church for all of your care and comfort and for the beautiful service. We are very fortunate that we live in such a caring community.

-The family of Cloyd Meyers

Floyd County Church Directory

AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Dennis Butler, Pastor
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Darwin Robinson, Pastor
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Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

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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 Worship10:30 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.
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Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.
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Wed. High School... 6:30 p.m.

GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH

OF GOD IN CHRIST
Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....7:30 p.m.
Tuesday8:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:30 p.m.

MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Bible Study9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.

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Rev. Ralph Jackson
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Wednesday Study ..7:00 p.m.

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Rev. David Ramos, Pastor
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Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m.
Morning Praise..11:00 a.m.
Evening Praise5:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship.....7:00 p.m.

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Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor
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Sunday Services....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening5:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Lockney
Jesus Caballero, Pastor
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.
Discipleship5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Floydada
Rev. Lupe Rando
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:40 a.m.
Evening Worship ...6:00 p.m.
Wed. Evening7:00 p.m.

SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Lockney
Jim McCartney, Pastor
Wed. Communion....8:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.

SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH

Joe Weldon, Pastor
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

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 Worship9:30 a.m.
English Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....5:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Floydada
Rev. Angelo Consentino
Phone: 983-5878
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.
Mon.Wed. Mass.....6:30 p.m.
Confession Sat.....10-11 a.m.

TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM

Lockney
Rev. Joe Hernandez
Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School9:45 p.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Meeting7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Washington and 1st St.
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA

Rev. Herman Martinez
308 W. Tennessee, Floydada
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship5:00 p.m.
Tuesday7:30 p.m.
Thursday Service.....7:30 p.m.

TRINITY ASSEMBLY

500 W. Houston
Henry Russell, Co-Pastor
Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor
983-5499 or 983-2887
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ...10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening6:00 p.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Providence Community
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Rev. Peter W. Harrington Minister
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.

WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Floydada 983-3548
Sunday Worship ...10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening5:00 p.m.

If you would like to be a sponsor on the church page, call the Hesperian-Beacon at 806-983-3737

UNDER CONSTRUCTION



KIDS KAMP 2012

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Plains Baptist Assembly

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Registration Deadline July 6

For kids who have completed 1st - 6th grade

Doucette makes SMUs Spring 2012 Honor Roll

Patrick Doucette, a resident of Lockney and a junior at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, is listed on the honor roll with distinction.

He is the son of James and Denise Doucette of Lockney.

To be listed on the SMU honor roll with distinction, students must be in the top 10 percent of their school of record. SMU's Spring 2012 enrollment included 10,471 students.

SMU is a nationally ranked private university in Dallas founded 100 years ago. Today, SMU enrolls nearly 11,000 students who benefit from the academic opportunities and international reach of seven degree-granting schools.

On the web: <http://read-about.me/achievements/Patrick-Doucette-of-Lockney-Makes-SMUs-Spring-2012-Honor-Roll/4514462>.

State moves forward on \$1.9 billion in construction and project development

AUSTIN — State officials today gave final approval to approximately \$1.9 billion in additional transportation funds to communities across the state. The Texas Transportation Commission, in its revision of the 2012 Unified Transportation Program (UTP) gave approval for the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to move forward with additional funding identified earlier this year.

TxDOT partnered with Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), regional transportation organizations, and districts to identify projects that focus on safety, congestion, maintenance, and statewide connectivity in the coming months.

Communities selected projects that meet important local needs, while leveraging the states limited resources with other available funds or opportunities to achieve the greatest benefit possible for each community.

"This is a unique position for the state to be in with these funds becoming available," said Texas Transportation Commission Chairman Ted Houghton. "We want to make the best use of them by partnering with local communities to insure this funding is applied where they feel it is most needed."

Projects like the Interstate 35 expansion through Central Texas will benefit with a \$9 million award to fund new construction and design of Loop 574, a connector to I-35 in Waco.

The additional funding sources originate from Texas Mobility Fund bond proceeds, anticipated federal funding and savings on construction projects currently under way make up the \$1.9 billion in allocations.

"The state will be greatly impacted by the work added because of this funding," added Bill Meadows, a Texas Transportation Commission member from Fort Worth. Continual work with our partners around the state brings solutions like this that provide needed improvements to the transportation infrastructure.

"The state's transportation challenges remain great" said Phil Wilson, TxDOT executive director. "But statewide efforts like this help us address them every time we make forward progress such as this."

East Texas will see planning begin for the construction of portions of Interstate 69 in the Lufkin and Nacogdoches areas with \$12 million dedicated to conducting the necessary environmental review and right of way identification for developing portions of I-69 in that area.

Initially, \$2 billion was identified in additional funding. The remaining \$100 million is still unallocated pending continued work by the department, MPOs and local stakeholders to finalize recommendations on the remaining funding needs.

A project list is located at: http://ftp.dot.state.tx.us/pub/txdot-info/tpp/utp/2012/projects_2b_allocation.pdf

South Plains College Plainview Center announces Summer II registration

PLAINVIEW — South Plains College Plainview Center will host registration for the summer II semester from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on July 9 at 1920 W. 24th St.

Late registration will be held from 8:30 a.m. to

4 p.m. on the first day of classes, July 10.

Students are required to bring the following items to registration: a trial schedule of your classes; pen or pencil; valid Texas driver's license for Texas residents; and a form of payment for

tuition and fees/textbooks (check, cash or credit card).

The SPC Plainview Center will offer the following courses during summer II — American Government Fundamentals, Intermediate Algebra, College Al-

gebra; Composition II and the History of the US since 1876. Online classes also are available.

For more information, please contact the SPC Plainview Center at (806) 296-9611, ext. 4302 or ext. 4304 or stop by the campus.

Vilsack Announces Projects to Boost Renewable Energy Production, Reduce Energy Consumption

Businesses, Farmers and Ranchers Benefit from Efforts to Save Money and Create Jobs in Rural America

TEMPLE — Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced that USDA has selected 450 projects nationwide, including 10 in Texas, that are focused on helping agricultural producers and rural small businesses reduce energy consumption and costs; use renewable energy technologies in their operation; and/or conduct feasibility studies for renewable energy projects. Funding is made available through the Rural Energy for America Program (REAP), which is authorized by the 2008 Farm Bill.

"The Obama Administration is helping agricultural producers and rural small business owners reduce their energy costs and consumption — and by doing so is helping to create jobs, preserve our natural resources, and protect the environment while strengthening the bottom line for businesses," said Vilsack. "This is part of the

Administration's "all of the above" energy strategy. Stable energy costs create an environment for sustainable job creation in rural America."

"We're pleased to announce these funding awards to rural Texans devoted to implementing projects that will conserve energy," said Paco Valentin, Texas State Director of USDA Rural Development. "Projects funded through Rural Development's REAP program reduce our dependence on foreign resources and help America's farmers, ranchers and rural businesses become more energy efficient."

The REAP Program is helping poultry producers in Texas make energy-efficiency improvements to their operations. Five projects in Panola and Shelby Counties will retrofit 23 poultry houses with an estimated energy savings of \$44,227 per year in energy costs. Stanaland Farms, Inc. in Nacogdoches County will use their grant to supplement the replacement of six old poultry broiler grower houses with new construction of 3-5 production houses providing

more energy savings than improving the existing facility. C.R. Pena Enterprises, LLC in Zapata County also received a REAP grant to be used for energy efficiency improvements to install new supermarket refrigeration unit systems.

411 Energy, LLC 14, located in Wichita Falls, received grant funds to install a 10.8 kW photovoltaic solar system that will generate an estimated 15,428 kWh of electricity for sale annually.

Two projects receiving REAP grants will be replacing existing natural gas irrigation pumps with electric submersible pumps and install electrical wiring into the fields to service the electric pumps. Need It More, LP located in Moore County will be replacing two pumps with an estimated energy savings of \$9,131 per year in energy costs. Lewis Flyr will replace three pumps in Sherman County with an estimated \$14,496 of annual energy savings.

REAP offers funds for agricultural producers and rural small businesses to purchase

and install renewable energy systems, make energy-efficiency improvements, conduct feasibility studies and energy audits, and provide renewable energy development assistance.

These federal funds leverage other funding sources for businesses. In all, USDA announced nearly \$7.4 million in energy grants today. This announcement is an example of investments the Obama Administration is making to help create jobs and grow the rural economy.

USDA, through its Rural Development mission area, administers and manages housing, business and community infrastructure programs through a national network of state and local offices. Rural Development has an active portfolio of more than \$170 billion in loans and loan guarantees. These programs are designed to improve the economic stability of rural communities, businesses, residents, farmers and ranchers and improve the quality of life in rural America.

Statewide Initiative Helps Texas Motorists Reduce Air Pollution and Save Money at the Pump

Annual Clean Air Campaign Kicks Off with Hybrid Car Giveaway

AUSTIN — Summers are a time for family barbecues, weekends on the lake, and road trips. Along with these celebrations comes a

significant uptick in miles traveled and gas consumed on Texas highways.

Fortunately, organizers of the state's Drive Clean Across Texas air quality campaign have plenty of practical advice for driv-

ers looking to save money at the pump and reduce air pollution at the same time.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is launching its Drive Clean campaign on the first full day of summer.

The annual outreach program encourages motorists to implement cost-saving changes in driving and vehicle maintenance behaviors to reduce harmful emissions.

"Making sure your vehicle is in good shape is something each of us can do to reduce damaging air pollution," says Carlos Swonke, TxDOT's Environmental Affairs director. "That means replacing dirty air and fuel filters, getting regular oil changes, and keeping the proper amount of air in your tires—all of which help reduce tailpipe emissions."

Other tips for driving cleaner on Texas roads include carpooling, driving the speed limit, combining errands into a single trip, and reducing idling at drive-thrus. These simple steps not only help eliminate vehicle emissions, but also increase fuel efficiency in cars and trucks.

For Texas drivers looking to replace their vehicle this year, a low-emission hybrid car or truck is a good way to reduce air pollution. To reinforce this point, the Drive Clean Across Texas campaign will give away a 2012 Ford Fusion Hybrid to one lucky Texan. The vehicle is being donated by the Dallas Cowboys Football Club.

Texas drivers ages 18 and up can enter to win the brand-new Ford Fusion Hybrid, and get more tips on helping improve air quality, at www.DriveCleanAcrossTexas.org. The deadline for entering the online sweepstakes is September 23.



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Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Texas Department of Transportation employees Adam Gonzales and Joe Barrientos clean ditches and roadways along Shurbet St. in Lockney.



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Lockney resident Keith Pyle fills up with ice at Allsup's before his trip to Macomb, OK for a class reunion.

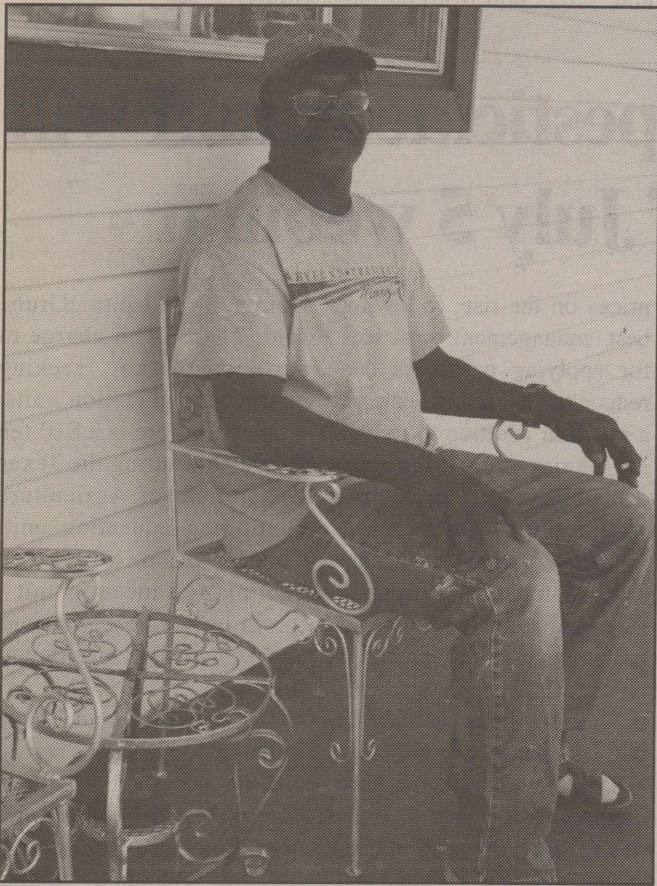


Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Clyde Walker, of Lockney, rests in the shade at his residence on a hot summer day.



The Paperboy

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

My father-in-law, Ronald B. Sims, is a stand-up man. He had a stellar career in the Army, in which his body was used daily in a variety of ways fighting for his country in Vietnam.

Now, at the age of 72, Ronald has been through numerous surgeries, several of which have left him in the same or worse condition. He has a difficult time getting around and his quality of life is far from what he was anticipating at this age.

Ronald has three daughters, several grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He's been married for 51 years and he and his wife Becky continue to love and care for family members.

Ronald worked in law enforcement for several years following the Army and served as Childress County Sheriff in the 1980s. He's as straight of an arrow as anyone I've ever known.

With Ronald, there's right and wrong and very little gray in between. He keeps it simple.

Ronald loves God, country and family, and would fight to the death for all three to this very day. He's someone I respect a great deal. He's earned it.

With our minds focused on our country this time of year, I find myself thinking of the

sacrifices of Ronald and millions like him.

In speaking with Ronald and other Americans, I've come to the conclusion that our elected officials should take a long, hard look at how we care for those who return from war. Trust me, we are lacking severely in this department.

A couple of times over the last month, I've written columns of what I consider underrepresentation at the local and national level for rural Americans. Why mention this now. Most of our fighting men and women come from rural America. To me, there is a direct correlation of the two.

Do you honestly think we would neglect our veterans if they were the children of millionaires?

They are part of the multitudes that have a diminishing voice in this country and it's wrong.

If you feel like taking action or would like to try and make a difference in issues concerning rural America, please provide your input at info@blackburnmediagroup.com.

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The 501

by Hanaba Munn Welch

When it comes to before and after, nothing beats fat and skinny, in that order.

Unfortunately the reverse happens more often. All my skinny "before" pictures are from the fourth grade or earlier. If every fat person has a thin person inside, mine probably still has skinned knees and a toothy grin. That's how it is when you wear dresses to school everyday, haven't yet gotten your teeth fixed and you play hard during recess.

"Knees" is the operative word. Knees are why I'm trying to lose weight. Actually, it's just my left knee. But if I'm going to take some weight off that beleaguered joint, might as well go for the whole enchilada, to use another operative word.

Yep, I wanna be skinny all over – left, right, top to bottom. I want my fourth grade classmates to make those disparaging remarks again – the ones about me being skinny. Call it bullying. I don't care.

Enchiladas, you're history. I'm pretending you don't exist. I'm on a diet.

Yes, I've been to the doctor. He didn't mention replacing my knee – not yet. I'm hoping he can fix it. Also, he didn't tell me

to lose weight, but he gave my efforts his blessing. Call him diplomatic.

Some thoughts about weight loss and knees:

It's handy to have an unflattering "before" picture of one's fat self in case weight loss really happens.

It's best to choose a spectacular way to shed pounds. That way you can write a book about it. Lots of people lose weight. Not everybody does it eating jalapenos. That's how I'm doing it. Pick something different for your book.

My book will be "Artichokes and Jalapenos: Save Your Knees and Find the Skinny Inner You."

Artichokes aren't really part of my diet, but the "A" will give the book an alphabetical advantage. And who knows? Maybe I'll come up with a recipe that combines artichokes and jalapenos. My weight loss book will include enough recipes for it to qualify as a recipe book too. One more market.

INTERNET PAUSE.

Sure enough, artichokes and jalapenos are already pairing up, but most recipes seem to feature heart-stopping amounts of stuff like mayonnaise and Parmesan cheese. Maybe I'll discover a healthier way to

make artichokes and jalapenos taste good together. Maybe not.

Back to my title. Notice the word "knees." That's one more market – people with knees. That's nearly everybody.

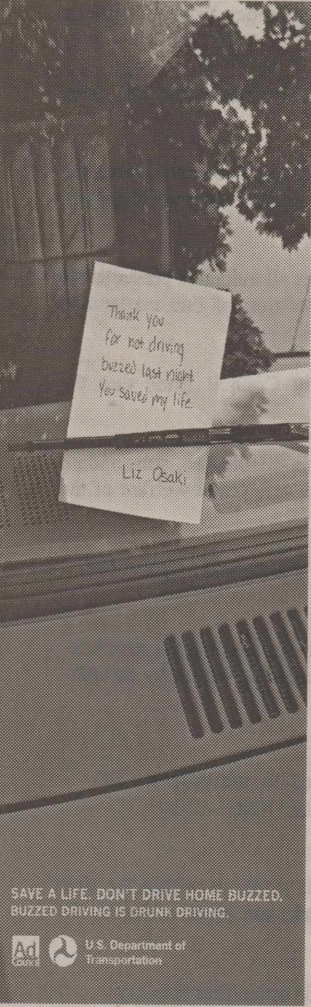
Seriously, in an era when America is aging and getting fatter at the same time, knees count more than ever. Why else are we seeing replacement knees advertised on television? Knees rule. There's big money in knees.

So, what better time for a book about weight loss, recipes and knees?

The cover design will combine all three elements. Don't worry. It won't feature before and after shots of me. I really would have to lose weight. Instead, picture a smiling artichoke and a jaunty jalapeno, dancing a jig on healthy knees.

Look for it in bookstores everywhere.

That was fun to say.



AUCTION

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BID NOTICE

Floydada I. S. D. is now accepting sealed bids for the sale of the following vehicles:

- 1- 1991 GMC – Safari Minivan
- 1- 1997 Chevrolet Crewcab Longbed work truck
- 1- 1999 Chevrolet Crewcab Longbed work truck
- 1- 1991 Chevrolet short bed truck
- 1- 1995 International 53 passenger school bus
- 1- 1995 Blue Bird activity bus

These vehicles may be viewed at the Floydada ISD bus barn

Bids must be received in the office of the Superintendent, 226 W. California, Floydada, TX 79235, no later than 12:00 PM, July 19, 2012.

Bids must be sealed and marked "Vehicle Bid". Please submit a separate bid for each vehicle. The bids will be opened and tallied at 1:00 p.m., July 19, 2012. For specifications contact Gilbert Trevino at 226 W. California, Floydada, TX 79235 or call 806-983-3498.

F. I. S. D. reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Floydada ISD is participating in the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided to all children ages 1-18 without charge and are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided at:

A.B. Duncan Elementary

1011 S. 8th Street

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

June 4-29, 2012 and July 9-20, 2012

To file a complaint of discrimination, write or call immediately to:

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LUNCH FOR CHILDREN AGES 1-18

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June 4-29, 2012

and

July 9-20, 2012

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

MENU

MONDAY – Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot roll, fruit, milk

TUESDAY – Pizza, corn, pickle spears, fruit, milk

WEDNESDAY – Crispy tacos, pinto beans, rice, salsa, fruit, milk

THURSDAY – Corn dog, mustard, potato rounds, fruit, milk

FRIDAY – Cheeseburger, mustard, chips, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, fruit, milk

5-24, 5-31, 6-7, 6-14, 6-21, 6-28, 7-5, 7-12c

Listen Up Cheerleaders!

The Floydada Varsity Cheerleaders will be holding their annual

"Little Cheerleader Clinic"

July 31 - August 2

8 a.m. - 12 noon each day

Registration time:

Tuesday, July 31 at 7:45 a.m.

\$35.00 per participant

Tuesday - Crazy Hair Day

Wednesday - Rock Star Day

Thursday - Spirit Day (wear green)

Clinic includes: Instruction, t-shirt, spirit stick, snack, and certificate of completion



AGRICULTURE

Area farmers hail grassroots effort on child labor ruling

Farmers and ranchers in Floyd County were thrilled over the U.S. Department of Labor's ruling over child labor earlier this year.

"This was a perfect example of what farmers and ranchers can do when we stand together and speak out," said Tanner Smith, Floyd County Farm Bureau president.

In April, the Labor Department called off the push to regulate teenagers working on the nation's farms and ranches. Washington labor officials withdrew the proposal after overwhelming outcry from the agricultural community.

Smith said the credit belongs to those who made phone calls, wrote emails and letters and testified be-

fore Congress in opposition to the agency's proposal to curb youth activities on the farm.

"If you want to know just how significant a unified voice can be, just look at this," Smith said. "Safety is the highest priority for every farmer I know in this area. When it comes to our kids, we take it very seriously."

Reducing pesticide runoff will be topic of July 5 webinar

By Kay Ledbetter

COLLEGE STATION – "Best Management Practices for Reducing Pesticide Runoff on Rangelands" will be the July 5 webinar topic for the Texas AgriLife Extension Service's ecosystem science and management unit's monthly webinar series.

The webinar will be presented by Brent Clayton, an AgriLife Extension program specialist in the department of biological and agricultural engineering. He will discuss ways to reduce the risk of pesticide runoff with proper application and water management.

"With fuel and chemical

prices on the rise, following best management practices for applying pesticides can reduce the operating costs on a ranch in addition to reducing the risk of environmental contamination from storm-water runoff," Clayton said.

There will also be a discussion on financial incentives for a landowner to implement best management practices on his or her property.

This one-hour webinar is part of a series offering Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units online, according to Brittany Grube, graduate assistant and webinar coordinator.

The webinar is scheduled

from noon to 1 p.m., Grube said. There is no charge to participants not seeking continuing education units. However, there is a \$10 fee for those wanting the Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education unit. This program offers one continuing education unit – 0.5 in laws and regulations and 0.5 in drift minimization.

This webinar, and others in the 2011 and 2012 series, can be accessed at <http://naturalresourcewebinars.org>. For more information on the webinars, contact Grube at Brittany.grube@agnet.tamu.edu.

RRC Production Statistics and Allowables for July 2012

AUSTIN — The Texas average rig count as of June 22 was 938, representing about 49 percent of all active land rigs in the United States. In the last 12 months, total Texas reported production was 437 million barrels of oil and 7.2 trillion cubic feet of natural gas.

The Commission's estimated final production for April 2012 is 41,711,182 barrels of crude oil and 491,644,000 Mcf (thousand cubic feet) of gas well gas.

The Commission derives final production numbers by multiplying the preliminary

April 2012 production totals of 35,939,326 barrels of crude oil and 424,856,550 Mcf of gas well gas by a production adjustment factor of 1.1606 for crude oil and 1.1572 for gas well gas. (These production totals do not include casinghead gas or condensate.)

Texas natural gas storage reported to the Commission for May 2012 was 397,325,849 Mcf compared to 395,952,262 Mcf in May 2011. The June 2012 gas storage estimate is 402,021,384 Mcf.

The Texas Railroad Commission's Oil and Gas Division set initial July 2012 natural gas production allowables for prorated fields in the state to meet market demand of 10,530,548 Mcf (thousand cubic feet). In setting the initial July 2012 allowables, the Commission used historical production figures from previous months, producers' demand forecasts for the coming month, and adjusted the figures based on well capability. These initial allowables will be adjusted after actual production for July 2012 is reported.

ORDINANCE 12-1

AN ORDER OF THE CITY OF FLOYDADA CITY COUNCIL WITH REGARD TO THE ABATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANDARD AND DANGEROUS STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 227 E. TENNESSEE, FLOYDADA, FLOYD COUNTY, TEXAS

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Floydada conducted a public hearing on June 19, 2012, wherein the structures located at 227 E. Tennessee, Floydada, Texas, ("Property") was agenda item number 2, legal description being: Lot Twenty-seven (27) to Thirty (30), Block One Hundred and four (104) of the Original town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas.

WHEREAS, the City Council specifically finds that all proper notices have been sent consistent with City Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, based upon the evidence presented, the City Council finds that the Property is in violation of the ordinances relative to substandard structures under Section 3.1000 et seq. of Chapter 3 of the City Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the structure is unoccupied and has been secured against unauthorized entry; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the interior of the structure contains nuisance conditions that constitute a hazard to the health, safety, and welfare of the citizen and likely to endanger persons and property; and

WHEREAS, the City Council takes notice of and incorporates all evidence presented to the Commission, including the issuance of notices, for its consideration of this matter and incorporates the same into the body of this Order for all purposes

WHEREAS, based upon the evidence presented, the City Council finds that the Property is in violation of the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the main structure is dilapidated, substandard and/or unfit for human habitation, constitutes a hazard to the health, safety and welfare of the citizen and likely to endanger persons and property; and

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF FLOYDADA THAT:

1. The owner is hereby ordered to repair, remove or demolish the structure located at 227 E. Tennessee, Floydada, Texas, of this Order; by no later than 30 days, from the date June 19, 2012.
2. A sign be posted at the front and rear entrance to the property in substantially similar form: SUBSTANDARD BUILDING - DO NOT ENTER - UNSAFE TO OCCUPY;
3. Should the owner, lien holder, or mortgagee fail to do so within the time frame ordered, the City may do the ordered work, and place a lien on the property in accordance with applicable law.
4. Should the property owner violate the terms of this order, that the City may seek administrative penalties in an amount not to exceed \$1000 per day.
5. The owner of the property, and/or any lienholder or mortgagee, must demolish the structure located at 227 E. Tennessee, Floydada, Floyd County Texas, and eliminate all unhealthy and unsafe conditions within thirty days of this order, including cleaning and grading the property. Failure to take the ordered actions within the specified time may result in the City taking

requisite actions to demolish the structures, clean and grade the lot, and establish a lien on the property without further notice or hearing.


6. The City Secretary shall file a copy of this order with the City within 10 days of the date of this order and publish in a newspaper of general circulation the street address/legal description of the Property, the date of the hearing, a brief statement of the results of this order and provide notice that a copy of this order and the minutes of the meeting may be reviewed and/or obtained during regular business hours in the office of the City Secretary.

ORDERED THIS 19th DAY OF JUNE, 2012.

Bobby Gilliland
Bobby Gilliland, Mayor

Selia Arcelano
Selia Arcelano, City Secretary

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Some of the features of the event in 1917 were: Doll parade, Style show and Ford auto races. The best exhibits were sent to the Dallas fair and Floyd County took fourth place in the county exhibits and first on peaches and watermelons.

The 12th Floyd County Fair was held on October 2, 3 and 4 in 1919. The first day was given to Lockney, the second was designated as Soldiers and Sailors' Day and the third as Old Settlers' day.

Some of the features were: Wild west show, ex-service men's parade, football game, style show, old settlers' parade, doll parade, baby show, and live stock parade.

Calling attention to obstructions which had combined to prevent the annual Floyd County fair for 1920 the records state: "The people are very busy and it seemed impossible to get efficient help to hold and push this fair to a conclusion."

However in 1922 the sec-

retary of the Chamber of Commerce gathered materials to make an exhibit at the State Fair. The exhibit won ninth place and was awarded \$200.

Wins Second At Dallas

In 1923 Maury Hopkins, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, entered exhibits in two fairs. The exhibit sent to Oklahoma was one of the most comprehensive ever sent from West Texas out of the state. The exhibit was then sent on to Dallas and won second place in the State. Hale County won first.

The Floyd County exhibit scored eight hundred ninety-five points out of a possible one thousand. Hale County scored nine hundred and eleven points. The Floyd County exhibit won first place on attractiveness, arrangement and neatness, the award being made by an experienced interior decorator.

Floyd County entered another exhibit in the State Fair in 1924, winning second place. This being the second consecutive year that the county had taken second place in the State. The premium being \$300.

Sand Hill had the first ru-

ral community fair in 1924; it proved a big success. The following year Sand Hill held its second annual community fair, and was declared an all-round success; address, basketball, and baseball games were features of the afternoon program. Materials collected at the community fair were sent to the Amarillo fair and won 8th place. From Amarillo the Floyd County exhibit was sent to Dallas and won 13th place in the State.

A flower show was a big event in Floydada October 10, 1925

Sand Hill Is First

The thirteenth Floyd County Fair was held September 24-25, 1926. The fair exhibits surpassed all expectations, with the exception of the cold rain that cut down the attendance. In the fair proper, keen competition between exhibits of high quality featured every department, ten home demonstration clubs and seven school communities making special exhibits. Sand Hill Agricultural exhibit won first place in the county fair.

Floyd County won 31st place in the State, losing out principally on vegetables and grain sorghums which were

damaged in shipping. The Women's Home demonstration Clubs of Floyd County won three first prizes; three, second prizes; and three third prizes in the home economics department.

A caravan, consisting of twelve or fifteen cars visited thirteen rural communities telling of the 1927 county fair.

Sand Hill won first place in the rural exhibits that year another feature was the parade, which was four blocks long. Harmony community won first prize in the community division in the parade and the 1922 Study Club winner of the first place in the organization section. Floyd County sent exhibits to several fairs.

She won fifth place at Wichita Falls, eighth place at the Texas-Oklahoma fair, fifth place at Amarillo and fourteenth place at the State event.

The fair held September 26, 27, 28 and 29, 1928 was the fifteenth annual fair. Special features were the auto games, such as auto polo, and auto push ball and auto ball. Fireworks was a special attraction for Friday and Saturday nights.

Big Parade Held

The parade consisted of sixty floats, the winners were: Lakeview, Juniors, Pep Squad, Scouts and Camp Fire Girls. The Lakeview community float won first place in the group of community floats.

The junior class of the high school was awarded first place in the group of school floats. The most unique and original of the entire parade of floats was a complete Boy Scout camp, entered by Floydada Boy Scouts Troop 44. The camp was pitched on a large truck truck trailer and was composed of a boy scout tent, surrounded by a cedar forest, members of the troop were at work near the camp. Each carrying out some phase of scout activities. They were awarded a prize of ten dollars.

On September 19-20-21, 1929 Floyd County had her sixteenth annual fair.

Competition to the final degree was the keynote of the sixteenth annual Floyd County fair. Never was rivalry so strong and the exhibits so carefully planned as they were that year, in spite of the fact that the county had suffered from a comparatively poor year. Seventeen community agriculture exhibits,

fourteen home demonstration and 4-H Club exhibits, more than 150 individual agricultural exhibits, between forty and fifty head of Jersey cattle and a large display of flowers and art work composed the groups that furnished such strong competition.

Some of the features were Pioneers', Floydada day, Floyd County day, Terrapin Derby, five ring Wild Animal circus and buffalo riding.

The Floyd County fair for 1930 was postponed, however, the Home Demonstration and 4-H Clubs gave exhibits. Twenty-two clubs took part, 14 home demonstration and eight 4-H Clubs.

Floyd County won county herd honors in the Jersey show at the Tri-State Fair. O. L. Stansell was in charge of the Floyd County entries. They won 1 first place; 5 second places; 1 third place; 5 fourth places; and 5 sixth places. They also won 4 first places; 8 second places and 2 third places at Lubbock.

Mrs. A. H. Kreis and Mrs. O. W. Fry were awarded prizes on rugs at the Tri-State Fair last year.

And all brings us down to the year of 1932 and the Seventeenth Floyd County Fair—after tomorrow and Saturday it, too, will be history.

OBITS

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JOE LUNA

Natividad Rendon 'Joe' Luna, 74, of Lockney, passed away on Wednesday, June 27, 2012. Celebration of life services was held at 10 a.m., Saturday, June 30, 2012 at Templo Sinai in Plainview with Reverend Ignacio Soto officiating.

Interment followed the service in Lockney Cemetery.

Funeral service arrangements were under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home. Open visitation was held Friday, June 29, 2012 at the funeral home. A prayer service was also held at 7 p.m. in Lemons Memorial Chapel.

Joe was born on September 8, 1937 in Hondo, Texas, to Hilberto and Teresa (Rendon) Luna. Joe and Juanita Sanchez were married on February 26, 1957 in Lockney. As a young man Joe played and coached softball. He was an avid fan of all sports and he particularly liked the Atlanta Braves and the Dallas Cowboys.

Joe especially enjoyed watching his grandchildren's sporting events. He participated in Lockney football games as a member of the 'chain gang'. Joe was a jack-of-all trades, but especially skilled working with his hands. He was a self-employed mechanic and also worked at the cotton compress. He enjoyed going to breakfast at Lisa's Café. He

was an evangelist and a preacher who loved serving his fellow man, and was a good friend to all he knew. Joe's family remembers him as a good husband, father, and grandfather, who lived a great life. He was a member of the Pentecostal Church, and was the former Pastor of Templo Evangelico, serving there for over ten years. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Joe is survived by his wife of over 55 years, Juanita Luna of Lockney; children, Naomi Sustaita and her husband, Abel, of Corpus Christi, Jane Martinez and her husband, Alfred of Lockney, Nelda Rojas of Chicago, Illinois, Margarita Contreras and her husband, Roberto, Antonia Carter, and Diana Luna, all of Amarillo, Jose Luna, Damian Luna and his wife, Rebecca, all of Lockney, Cornelio Luna of Caldwell, Idaho, and Frances Soto and her husband, Ignacio of Plainview; brothers, Ricardo Luna, Abelino Luna, Ernesto Luna, and Hilberto Luna Jr.; sisters, Adelaida Sanchez, Maria Sanchez, Elena Sanchez, Altagracia Mendoza, Linda Silva, and Lydia Barrera; 39 grandchildren and 62 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, three sons, and two daughters.

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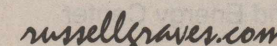
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There's an App for That
By Russell A. Graves
Moonless nights are especially magical. Looking up at the stars and wondering what is out there and who could be looking back has fascinated me, and collectively, us for as long as there has been an "us."
I'm no astronomer but as I look into the night sky I marvel at the constellations that I can name and stare at the beauty of the fuzzy and colorful arm of the Milky Way Galaxy that spans north to south across the dark sky. It's a patchwork of nebulae, stars, planets, and galaxies that, to the naked eye, seems like just a random collection of points of light. The ancients, however, saw the patterns and grouped the stars into clusters and named them after animals and mythical creatures. The constellations, or groups of stars, creep across the night sky as the earth rotates and for those willing to stay up, provides quite a show in the dark hours of the day.
As my kids get older, they are becoming fascinated with the stars, the sky, and all it holds. Recently, I stood in a pasture with both of my kids - well away from the lights of town - stared up and once again, wondered. I pointed out Polaris (the North Star) and told out to them how it was the end of the "handle" on the Little Dipper and showed them how to find it by lining up the two ends of the "pot" on the Big Dipper and using them as a pointer. I discussed at length the significance of the North Star and how it's been used as a navigational aid by explorers and adventurers for decades. Next we look at the Pleiades and then at Orion but after that, I was stumped and I couldn't positively identify any more.
Well, there is an app for that.
In the pasture that night I downloaded an app called **Star Walk**. Also available for the iPad, Star Walk is an amazing piece of software. Using the integrated GPS and gyro capabilities of the phone and tablet, Star Walk give you an augmented reality view of the night sky. In other words, wherever you point it, it will help you identify stars, constellations, and satellites visible at that time in the night sky. Furthermore, it constantly updates so as the earth rotates and the object in the night sky change position, the app always gives accurate feedback.
While we were using the app to learn about the night sky, my daughter noticed that a satellite was moving across my phone screen. Immediately we looked in the direction the screen said it should be and spotted it - a tiny pinpoint of light moving swiftly from southeast to northwest. She touched the info button on the phone and we found out that it's a telecommunications satellite launched in 1997 and it orbits 483 miles above the earth. Not only does it give satellite info but also the scoop on each constellation and planet. Amazing.
After a couple of hours and a few mosquito bites we headed in for the night. The next day my kids couldn't stop talking about our experience and what they learned.
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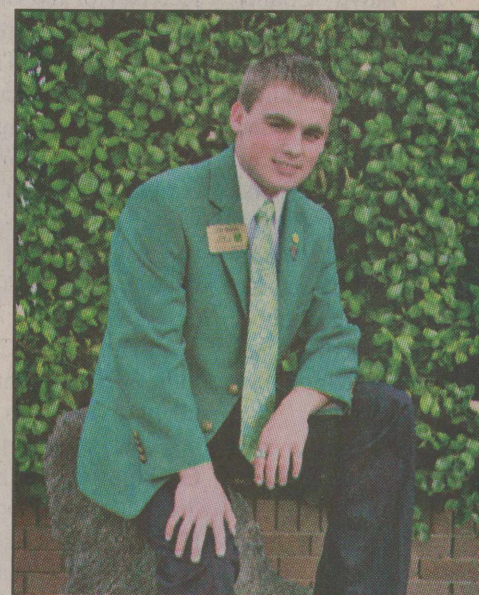
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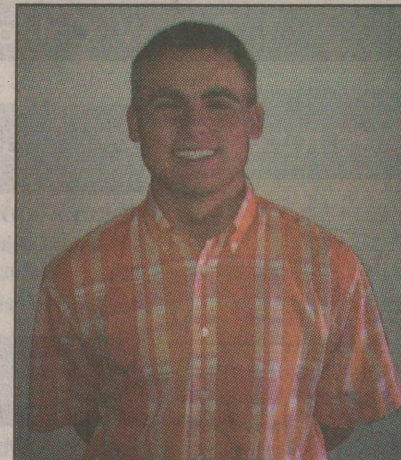
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