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Raissez, Schmoker, join Floydada police force



REON RAISSEZ | HESPERIAN-BEACON PHOTO

YELENA SERRATO | HESPERIAN-BEACON

The Floydada Police Department welcomed the arrival of two new patrol officers, Brady Schmoker and Reon Raissez—but neither officer is a stranger to policing.

Schmoker, a native of College Station and current Lubbock resident, was motivated to join the police force because he “wanted to help people.” When not on duty, Officer Schmoker enjoys spending his time working out and fishing.

Schmoker has also served on the forces of Garza County Sheriff’s



BRADY SCHMOKER | HESPERIAN-BEACON PHOTO

Office and the Dublin Police Department in Dublin, Texas.

Reon Raissez, a native of Lockney, was prompted to join the force after graduating from South Plains Association of Governments in 2020 to ultimately follow in the footsteps of his father, Sheriff Paul Raissez.

Raissez is a 2012 Plainview High School graduate. Like his colleague, Officer Raissez enjoys working out during his free time.

The Floydada community appreciates the Floydada Police Department for their service and their dedication to our community.

Plans change for entertainment at annual Jamaica July 17

LIZ ADAMS | HESPERIAN-BEACON

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Floydada will hold their annual Jamaica on July 17, 2021, from noon until 10 p.m. The event will feature a DJ along with Texas Tejano bands, a car show, food vendors, a raffle, a bounce house, and a water slide.

Although Grupo Imparable was slated to play for the event, the group has cancelled. A Snyder band called Conjunto Malo will be performing. See JAMAICA, page 3



Local businesses to provide free 4th of July breakfast in Floydada

STAFF REPORTS

Floydada and Lockney residents are invited to enjoy a free breakfast on Sunday, July 4 at 214 South Main Street in Floydada. Serving will begin at 7 a.m. and will continue until food is gone.

Adults and children must be present to receive a free plate. Organizers will provide one adult plate per adult and one

child’s plate per child.

The breakfast plates will consist of pancakes, eggs, sausage, a biscuit roll and condiments. Beverages served will include your choice of apple or orange juice.

The 4th of July breakfast is organized by The Serrato Sisters and sponsored by Floydada and Lockney local businesses.

Drought restricts Lake Mackenzie activities

LIZ ADAMS | HESPERIAN-BEACON

Although many area lakes—including Lake Mackenzie—have caught much-needed water from recent rains, it isn’t always enough.

Lake Mackenzie is operated by the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority in Briscoe County and provides water for the cities of Silverton, Lockney, Floydada and Tulla. In recent years, restrictions have been put in place due to the declining water level. Speed boats, jet skis, and jet boats are not permitted at this time, and tubing and towing will not be allowed this weekend as campers gather for July 4 celebrations.

Although the plant life is green and the area has seen several days of heavy rain throughout the month of June, the lake’s water level remains low. According to office manager Jessica Shelton, another twenty feet would be required in order for restrictions to be lifted.

“We are at 8.3% full and sixty-two feet at the deepest right now,” said Shelton. The water level has seen a dramatic drop since 2016, when it had reached nearly eighty feet despite a drought in 2015. The lake reached its highest level that year since 2005.

General Manager Charla Nolen explained that cities have also reduced their water usage or activated their drought contingency plans.

“We’ve had these restrictions for two years now. The water levels are too low. It’s down to five feet in some places and too many boats can create a hazard. Right now, we are sitting at 62.7 feet. Last year it was 67.3,” Nolen said.

Though Floydada is not currently under water use restriction and Tulla has its own wells, Lockney and Silverton are more dependent on the lake to furnish drinking water for residents. Lockney is observing mandatory stage three water restrictions limiting the use of water for decorative fountains, pools, washing vehicles, and watering lawns at this time; the City of Silverton asked has customers to conserve.



Independence Day celebrations Lockney set for annual Bike Parade

STAFF REPORTS

Lockney will once again hold its annual 4th of July Bike Parade—this year on Saturday, July 3, downtown on Lockney’s Main Street.

The parade will assemble at the Main Street Church of Christ parking lot and travel down Main Street, around the nursing home, and back to the church parking lot, where participants will enjoy popcorn and lemonade.

Decorated bikes, wagons, scooters, strollers, golf carts and four-wheelers are welcome. Decorate them up if you would like to. Organizers request no pickups, cars, motorcycles or floats.

Line-up will be in the parking lot at 9:45 a.m., and the parade will start at 10 a.m.

Fireworks shows and celebrations are planned in nearby communities for the July 4 weekend. Because the 4th of July falls on a Sunday this year, some events may be scheduled on the 2nd or 3rd. The official federal holiday will be observed Monday, July 5; government offices and many businesses will be closed.

CROSBYTON On Saturday, July 3, a parade will begin at 10 a.m. in downtown Crosbyton. Food vendors will be nearby during a car show, a free water slide will be available. There will be a dunking booth and a cornhole tournament will take place at noon. Live music will be provided by Jack Adcock from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. A team water polo game will be hosted by the volunteer fire department and the chamber of commerce will have hamburgers for sale. Fireworks will begin at sundown at the football stadium.

FLOMOT Flomot Community Homecoming will be Saturday, July 3 at the community center. (See details, page 6.)

FLOYDADA A free breakfast will be available on the morning of Sunday, July 4. The line begins at 7 a.m. at 214 S. Main Street under the red awning. Adults and children are welcome while the food lasts. The meal is presented by the Serato Sisters and sponsored by Floyd County businesses.

LAKE MACKENZIE A fireworks display will take place at dark on Saturday, July 3. Camping, swimming, hiking, and fishing are all part of the fun, though day passes are available for \$5 per person as well.

“The sooner you make your reservation, the better,” said office manager Jessica Shelton, who explained that all the camp sites usually fill up. Contact (806) 633-4335 for reservations or for more information.

LOCKNEY An Open House at Lockney City Hall will be held July 2. The public is invited to see the new ambulance and brush truck from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

PLAINVIEW Fireworks are planned at dusk at the Chamber of Commerce “Red, White, & Moo” event from 6 to 8

See FIREWORKS, page 8

UPCOMING

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN LOCKNEY will hold their Vacation Bible School, “Country Junction,” on Saturday, July 10 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more info call (806) 652-2193.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN FLOYDADA will be holding their Vacation Bible School, “Anchored,” Monday, July 12 through Wednesday, July 14 from 5 to 8 p.m. Kids three years old through fifth grade are eligible to partici-

pate. Registration forms may be picked up at the church office or call (806) 983-3706 for more info.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN FLOYDADA will hold their annual Jamaica on Saturday, July 17 from 12 noon to 10 p.m. Raffle tickets are available for sale. Contact Reuben Ramon, (806) 777-8147 or Mary Molinar, (806) 283-6972. Tickets are \$5 each of 5 for \$20. There will be a car show and live entertainment.

COUNTRY CHRISTMAS BALL IN JULY will be held on Saturday, July 17 at the Unity Center in Muncy with the meal starting at 6 p.m. Wendell Sollis and the Sidekicks All-Star Band will provide the music. Festivities included will be auctions, drawings, vendors and a complimentary coffee bar.

BURN BAN for Floyd County has been rescinded effective May 21.
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Abbott sets special session for July 8

TEXAS TRIBUNE

Gov. Greg Abbott has set a special session of the Texas Legislature starting July 8, his office announced last Tuesday.

Abbott's office did not specify what legislative priorities will be included on the special session agenda and said in an advisory that such items "will be announced prior to the convening of the special session."

Abbott has already said that he plans to ask state lawmakers to work on two priority elections and bail bills that died in the final hours of the regular legislative session after House Democrats walked out of the chamber.

More recently, Abbott has said the agenda for the Legislature's overtime round will also include further restricting in schools the teaching of critical race theory, which refers to an academic discipline that explores the role racism plays in institutions and structures of governance. And during a tele-townhall with supporters Tuesday evening, Abbott said he would add a call for legislation that would prevent certain social media companies from blocking or banning users based on their viewpoints. Legislation that sought to do so died during the regular session.

The GOP priority elections bill, known during the regular session as Senate Bill 7, was a sweeping piece of legislation that would have created new limitations to early voting hours and curbed local voting options like drive-thru voting, among other things.

It's unclear what tweaks, if any, will be made to the bill during a special session. After the Legislature adjourned in May, some Republicans said they planned to change at least one controversial provision in the bill that dealt with the window for early voting on Sundays. The last-minute addition to the bill had raised concerns that it would harm get-out-the-vote efforts by Black churches.

Abbott's other priority legislation that died, known as House Bill 20 during the regular session, would have made it harder for people arrested to bond out of jail without cash. That bill was also killed after House Democrats broke quorum to block passage of SB 7.

Lawmakers were already expected to return to the Legislature this calendar year for a special session focused on redrawing the state's political maps and doling out billions of dollars in federal Covid-19 relief funds. Abbott has said that special session will happen sometime in September or October.

But after Abbott's elections and bail priority bills died in May, the governor said he would call lawmakers back to work on that legislation as well as a host of other issues — and he vowed to veto the section of the state budget that funds the Legislature, its staffers and legislative agencies, as punishment for House Democrats walking out of the chamber.

Abbott followed through on that threat Friday, though the budget at hand covers the fiscal year beginning Sept. 1. When they're back in Austin next month, lawmakers can pass a supplemental budget to restore that funding — though the item would first need to be included on the governor's special session agenda. The document would also need a signature from Abbott before it could go into effect.

On top of that, Abbott and the heads of the Senate and House — Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick and Speaker Dade Phelan, R-Beaumont, respectively — showed tensions earlier this month over the specifics of a special session, including what other legislative issues should be on the agenda and how to approach the elections bill.

On Senate Bill 7, for example, Abbott said after the Legislature adjourned he was "satisfied" with the legislation as is and Patrick said that Republicans would not "soften the bill." Phelan, meanwhile, said he would favor breaking the legislation into smaller pieces, saying a more piecemeal approach could help members "feel more comfortable ... and give everyone a better opportunity to vet the ideas."

Another question hanging over state lawmakers is whether Democrats plan to again break quorum to prevent the passage of an elections bill during a special session. A number of House Democrats have said that all tools are on the table with regards to a special session strategy, including potentially leaving the state to help block the legislation.

"It's no secret that that's something that's been effective in the past," said state Rep. Rafael Anchia, a Dallas Democrat who chairs the Mexican American Legislative Caucus, during an interview last week on CNN.

Though it's unclear what Abbott plans to include in a special session agenda, state lawmakers and outside groups have been expressing what issues they would like to see the Legislature additionally tackle.

Republicans, including Patrick, the lieutenant governor, have asked Abbott to include legislation that would ban the practice known as taxpayer-funded lobbying and a bill that would restrict the participation of transgender student athletes in school sports — two items that failed to pass during the regular session.

Meanwhile, Democrats and left-leaning groups have called on Abbott to include items such as fixing the state's electric grid and expanding health care.

"We're not going to go down without a fight and we will never stop fighting to protect the rights of all Texans to cast a ballot," said Carisa Lopez, political director of the left-leaning Texas Freedom Network, in a statement Tuesday.

CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

Democrats sue over defunding of legislative branch

TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN—House Democrats filed a petition with the Texas Supreme Court on Friday, seeking to overturn Gov. Greg Abbott's veto of funding for the legislative branch.

As the Austin American-Statesman and other media outlets reported, House Democrats were joined by the AFL-CIO and caucuses representing Black and Latino lawmakers in asking the court to determine the governor's actions were unconstitutional.

Abbott used his line-item veto power to abolish funding for the legislative branch in the next biennial budget, which takes effect Sept. 1. He was angered by the last-minute walkout of House Democrats to stop consideration of various voting law changes pushed by the governor and Republican legislators.

"Abbott's veto is an abuse of power, an act of legislative coercion and a threat to democracy, the result of which is clear and immediate harm to the people of Texas," said Chris Turner, D-Grand Prairie, chair of the Texas House Democratic Caucus.

"The Legislature is a co-equal branch of government and the separation of powers is enshrined in our state constitution," Turner said. "The governor doesn't get to simply cancel another branch of government when he doesn't get his way."

Abbott's veto struck \$410.2 million allocated for the Legislature and numerous agencies that provide support to lawmakers.

Besides state lawmakers, who make \$600 a month, Turner said the veto could affect up to 2,000 employees of the Texas Senate and House and those agencies.

SPECIAL SESSION SET FOR JULY 8. Abbott has called for a special session beginning July 8, his office announced last week. He said in a press release that the items to be addressed "will be announced prior to the convening of the special session."

Abbott had said previously that he would ask legislators to work on two priority election bills that died when the Democrats walked out, as well as a bail bill that also failed.

On Friday, Abbott urged county judges across Texas to submit their two-year projected budget for expenses related to what he terms the "ongoing border crisis." The projections, submitted online, will be used by the state to request additional border security funding during the upcoming special session.

On Friday, the governor also urged jailers statewide to assist border sheriffs with operating detention facilities and providing jail beds for people arrested on state charges related to crossing the border illegally.

PUC OUTLINES DISCONNECTION PROCEDURES AS MORATORIUM ENDS. The Texas Public Utility Commission met Thursday with its newest member, Lori Cobos, being sworn in by Chairman Peter Lake.

As previously reported, the PUC has ended the moratorium on disconnections in effect since February. The first day for potential disconnections is June 29. Customers have specific rights under PUC rules when it comes to potential disconnections for nonpayment.

The PUC publishes a "Know Your Rights" page on its website, which can be accessed here: https://tinyurl.com/6byxdy97.

The PUC also said the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, which it oversees, will have to release information about power outages more quickly.

Right now, the state's main power grid operation has 60 days to release information about power plant outages, such as occurred recently during a June heat wave. That has been reduced to three days.

However, as the Texas Tribune reported, ERCOT could include which power plants were down and for how long, but not much more detail about why the outage occurred.



NUMBER OF VACCINATED TEXANS EDGES UPWARD. The number of Texans fully vaccinated has reached 11.7 million or 40 percent of the state's total population, according to Texas Health and Human Services.

Meanwhile, hospitalizations in the past week of lab-confirmed COVID-19 patients in Texas stayed roughly the same as the previous week at 1,481. New cases of COVID-19 in the state in the past week totaled 8,825 with 167 deaths recorded, little changed from the previous week.

SUPREME COURT: ACADEMY CAN'T BE SUED OVER SHOOTINGS. The Texas Supreme Court threw out four lawsuits filed against Academy Sports and Outdoors by survivors and family of the victims of the mass shooting at a Sutherland Springs church in 2017.

The Austin American-Statesman reported the court ruled Friday that the suits were prohibited by a federal law protecting retailers from legal action stemming from crimes committed by third parties.

The shooting, at a church in a small community about 30 miles east of San Antonio, left 26 people dead. The gunman was killed after leaving the scene.

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2021 Community Calendar

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LOCKNEY PUBLIC LIBRARY, 124 S. Main, Lockney, Mon.-Thurs., 1-5 p.m. and Fri. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. (806) 652-3561.

FLOYD COUNTY MEMORIAL LIBRARY, 111 S. Wall St., Floydada, 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (806) 983-4922.

FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER, 925 W. Crockett St., Floydada, serves lunch 11:15 a.m.-1 p.m. each Wednesday and Thursday. Please call 983-2032 for delivery before 10:30 a.m.

LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER, 118 W. College St., Lockney, serves lunch Mon.-Fri. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Dine-in, delivery in Lockney area only, and curbside pickup. (806) 652-2745.

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COMMUNITY CHANGES AND CLOSURES City of Floydada office is drive-up only due to Covid-19.

PUBLIC AND CIVIC MEETINGS COMING UP

FLOYD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT Monday, July 12, 8 a.m., County Courthouse, 100 Main St., Floydada.

LOCKNEY CITY COUNCIL Tuesday, July 20, 7 a.m., City Hall, 218 E. Locust St., Lockney.

FLOYDADA CITY COUNCIL Tuesday, July 20, 6 p.m., City Hall, 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada.

FLOYDADA CISD Tuesday, July 29, 7 p.m. - FCISD School Administration offices, 226 W. California St., Floydada.

FLOYDADA LIONS AND ROTARY CLUBS are currently meeting together Tuesdays, 12 noon, First United Methodist Church, Floydada.

LOCKNEY ROTARY CLUB meets Fridays, 12 noon, Lockney Senior Citizens Center.

Floydada Collegiate ISD board approves new personnel hires, discusses emergency relief funds

YELENA SERRATO | HESPERIAN-BEACON

Floydada Collegiate ISD board members met on Tuesday, June 8 for their monthly meeting to discuss a number of items.

To open their discussion, board members approved employment of personnel by welcoming eleven new employees to the school district for the year 2021-2022. Angie Aleman, Caricy Cabler, Jessica Munguia, Kerrie Pitts and Jami Stewart will all be joining the A.B. Duncan Collegiate Elementary staff. Floydada Collegiate Junior High will be welcoming Anthony Carson, Kevin Tyree Johnson, Michael Martinez, Angel Pantoja, Marsha Wiseman and Barry Wiseman to their staff.

The board of trustees also held a public hearing to discuss the use of the elementary and secondary school emergency relief (ESSER III) funds. With their ESSER III funds, FCISD considered possible action on purchase of laptops to refresh the secondary campus. They wrote the purchase of laptops in their ESSER III fund plan but until they receive the funds, they will use local funds to make the purchase. FCISD calculated a total allocation of \$2,385,130 (Initial allocation: \$1,590,087; remaining allocation: \$795,043 to be released after the USDE approves the state plan). Below is their ESSER III use of funds plan.

- Accelerate Learning
• Additional school days: Summer Programs - \$30,000 (10 teachers @ \$100/day for 30 days)
• Extended hours (night school): \$12,000
• More instructional staff: Instructional Coaches - 2 per campus @ \$60,000 per year = \$240,000
• High dosage tutoring: \$100,000 (Secondary - 4 teachers per grade level for 3 afternoons a week at \$20/hour for approximately 85 sessions; Elementary - 20 teachers for 3 afternoons a week at \$20/hour for approximately 85 sessions)
• Professional development: \$10,000
• Annual total: \$392,000
Wrap-around Services
• Additional counselors and social workers: \$65,000
• Food and nutritional programs
• Professional development to address social/emotional challenges: \$10,000
• Annual total: \$75,000
Infrastructure and Technology Software
• Edmentum (study island) \$5,500/year
• Microsoft A3 for education (Word, Excel, Power Point) \$4,300/year
• Adobe cloud \$2,500/year
• IXL \$9,000/year (Math and Reading learning software)
• A+ \$3,500/year (Credit recovery software)
• Brain Pop \$3,500/year (Learning software)
• Jamf Software (Computer management software) \$12,000/year
Infrastructure/Updates
• Data transmission and/or Internet access \$65,800/year
• Server refresh and backup system Initial cost \$25,000
• WiFi network update ABD Initial cost \$15,000
• Cost incurred to refresh mobile devices and cases at all campuses approximately \$301,830
• Barracuda Internet Filtering \$16,000/year
• Custodial Services \$150,000
• Total: \$934,130
Other
• Playground equipment \$50,000
Unanticipated Costs incurred during 2020/21 School Year
• Substitute teachers for COVID leave: \$10,620
• PPE/Cleaning supplies

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Foodbytes

ANGELINA LARUE

Farmers' markets in full force for local, seasonal produce and artisan foods

It's time to get out and start supporting the local farmers' markets. There are so many in the area. Not only is it beneficial for the farmers, bakers and artisans, but buying locally grown, fresh produce reduces footprint, and nourishes us with the freshest ingredients around.

In addition to local Texas fruits and vegetables, there are typically artisan foods to try, which may include breads, and other baked goods, and even a gluten-free selection at many of the markets. I've seen grass-fed beef, and occasionally other meats, and fresh eggs. You may find crafts, jewelry and other art, too. And a lot of markets have local raw honey, and vendors selling homemade jams and jellies.

Stock up on the area's finest produce and other goods. And pick up some fresh veggies for this colorful, cool salad to enjoy for the upcoming 4th of July weekend.

Enjoy food made fresh!

All-American Cobb Salad

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1½ pounds chicken breasts
- 3 teaspoons chile powder
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 teaspoon black pepper
- ½ teaspoon chipotle powder
- ½ teaspoon paprika
- ¼ teaspoon dried oregano
- ¼ teaspoon red pepper flakes
- 1 cup chicken broth



ALL-AMERICAN FAVORITE Cobb Salad takes advantage of many locally produced foods. | ANGELINA LARUE PHOTO

- 6 cups lettuce greens
- 4 slices crispy cooked bacon, crumbled
- 1½ cups diced avocado
- 2 ears fresh corn, steamed or grilled, then remove kernels
- ½ cup blue cheese crumbles
- 2 boiled eggs, peeled and sliced
- 2 Roma tomatoes, diced
- Your favorite salad dressing

Place oil in a slow cooker, and if you have a searing feature, set it to sear, then add chicken breasts.

Note: I only sear the chicken in this recipe to add color, so it is not totally necessary, as the poultry will be very moist without searing. Or if you prefer, you may sear the chicken with the oil in a skillet over medium-high heat for a minute on each side once the skillet is hot; then simply place the seared chicken into the slow cooker.

In a small bowl, stir together, chile powder, cumin, black pepper, chipotle powder, paprika, oregano, and red pepper flakes. Sprinkle mixture evenly over both sides of chicken breasts. Add chicken broth around the sides.

Cook chicken for 3 to 4 hours on low. Remove and shred into smaller pieces.

Spread lettuce out onto a large platter. Arrange bacon, avocado, shredded chicken, corn kernels, blue cheese, sliced eggs, and tomatoes in vertical rows over the lettuce. Serve chilled or room temperature with your favorite dressing. Makes 8 servings.

Fire damages Lockney home, family plans repairs

LIZ ADAMS | HESPERIAN-BEACON

In the early afternoon on Thursday, June 17, Tarri Wright was alone when she walked into her Lockney home and discovered a fire in the kitchen.

"We went over there thinking maybe she just burned toast or something," said Wright's son, Justin Wright, who serves as Assistant Fire Chief with the Lockney Volunteer Fire Department. He found that the situation was more serious and called for help.

"We were able to fight the flames through a window near the kitchen and through the garage, then we brought fans in to clear the smoke out," said Justin Wright.

He and several fellow firefighters were able to prevent the fire from reaching the attic, but there was smoke damage throughout the house. An investigation determined that the fire was an accident resulting from the unintentional activation of a burner on the stove.

Fortunately, no one was hurt. Wright's husband, Steve was working at Wright's Auto Parts and the family pets were not inside the house at the time of the fire.

"We are thankful for the fire department and how incredibly hard they worked," said Tarri Wright.

The family has lived in the home since 2013 and has insurance to cover repairs, which may take up to a year. Though all of the sheetrock

will have to be replaced, the structure of the house is still intact. The Wrights have a travel trailer for temporary housing and long-term arrangements have been made for the time until the restoration is complete. A Love Fund is accepting donations for the family at First National Bank in Quitaque and food has been provided through Meal Train.

Steve Wright expressed gratitude to friends and neighbors who went above and beyond the call of duty, such as former volunteer firefighters Aaron Wilson and Richard Guerrero.

"We saved some of my father's guns that had sentimental value and a pair of earrings I gave my wife," said Steve Wright.

The keys that were hanging on the kitchen

JAMAICA from page 1

in their place. Floydada's DJ Highgrade will start the music at noon. Plaviv's Grupo Rival will be performing in the afternoon and evening, and music will also be provided by a Lubbock band called Los Pibes.

"I've never been involved with one this big," said church member Reuben Ramon, who is helping with the preparations.

Hazardous Trucking will sponsor the car and truck show from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. There is a \$25 entry fee for custom hot rods, classics, Harleys and other vehicles. Awards will be given for the top 25.

Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and sample a variety of food and entertainment. Tamales, flautas, and fajitas will be available, in addition to brisket, hamburgers, and hot dogs. There will be hourly door prizes, such as a \$50 fuel card from Click Clack and gift certificates from Taco Bell. Though visitors must be present to win door prizes, that is not a requirement for the raffle.

Tickets for the raffle are \$5 each or \$20 for 5. Prizes include a grill, a lawn mower, a leaf blower, and a smart TV. There will also be prizes for gift certificates valued at up to \$1,000. Winners will be announced during the event.

"All surrounding communities are invited to come out and have a good time. Come out and listen to some good music and have some good food," said Ramon.

FCISD from page 2

- Purchase of additional iPads/laptops/hotspots
- Total: \$10,620

In their monthly meeting, FCISD approved partnership with Southwest Foodservice Excellence (SFE) for district food services.

The trustees also talked through the appoint of an individual to the vacant at-large seat on the board of trustees. The board currently has three candidates to choose from when considering appointment to the vacant at-large seat: Jay Mendoza, Jason Pyle, and Reuben Ramon. Each individual has expressed interest in the seat according to information shared to the Hesperian by the board. The board policy states that if a vacancy occurs on the board, the remaining board members may fill the vacancy by appointment until the next trustee election, or may order a special election to fill the vacancy. If more than one year remains in the term of the position vacated, the vacancy shall be filled not later than the 180th day after the date the vacancy occurs (Education Code 11.060). The vacant seat's term expires in May of 2023, so FCISD has to appoint someone and the positive is that whomever does not receive the appointment can run for the seat in May, which must be included on the ballot along with Beverly (district 4), Kay (district 5), and Eric (at-large).

The Floydada CISD board of trustees set their next meeting on Thursday, July 27 at 7 p.m.

key rack were lost in the fire, so the family is working on replacing keys to vehicles. Smoke may have damaged some heirloom saucers and dishware passed down from pioneering relatives who came to Texas in covered wagons from Alabama. A handmade quilt was burned.

Justin Wright's experience as a firefighter has taught him to check smoke alarms, but he also shared some fire prevention advice.

"Every household should have a reminder to change the batteries in smoke detectors twice a year. When you change your clocks, it's time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors," Justin Wright said.

HEALTHCARE CLOSE TO YOU

Meet Dr. Ashley "Jade" Ireland



Dr. Ireland began her practice in the Emergency Department at WJ Mangold Memorial Hospital on April 27, 2021. Dr. Ireland serves as one of two full time ER doctors who also admits patients to the hospital.

Dr. Ireland grew up in Hale Center, Texas, and attended medical school at Texas A&M Health Sciences Center College of Medicine. She then completed a residency in Family Medicine at Texas Tech University. She is Board certified by the American Board of Family Medicine and has certifications in Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Advanced Trauma Life Support and Pediatric Advanced Life Support.

The Emergency Department at WJ Mangold is open 24 hours per day and includes staff who are certified in Trauma Nursing Core Course (TNCC).



A love fund for the Wright family of Lockney has been established at First National Bank of Quitaque, and a Meal Train to provide meals for the couple filled up in just a few days.

Also gift cards to help replace clothing and decor and other things that insurance might not cover are welcome.

Donations to the love fund can be mailed to First National Bank, PO Box 540, Quitaque, Tx 79255

THANK YOU FOR READING THE H-B

Lockney Senior Center News

DONNA WEBB/ AIMEE JACKSON | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

The Center will be closed Friday, July 2 and Monday, July 5 for the holiday. We will make sure our regular homebound seniors still receive a meal on these days.

Beginning In July, the Center will operate on a three-day schedule of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Our seniors who depend on meal service every day will still receive five meals a week. The three-day schedule is just for summer operating hours.

The center is also available for rentals for your dances, reunions, baby showers. Please keep us in mind. Call the center to reserve.

The Friday morning breakfast serving time has changed to 8 a.m. during the summer. It is buffet style and is still \$5 per plate. Breakfast is either dine-in or carry-out only.

The Center would like to invite our game players to come join us every Thursday night from 6 to 8 p.m. You can join in on dominoes (all kinds are played) or a variety of card games, or even work on a puzzle and enjoy conversations and companionship! Drinks are provided at no charge, and there's always a hot pot of coffee.

Also, chef salads can be ordered from the Center any day of the week.

The Center will be serving lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday, by dine-in, curbside pickup, or delivery in Lockney only. Meals are \$6 for members and \$7 for non-members. For questions, contact the center at (806) 652-2745. Stay safe!

LOCKNEY SR MENU	Wednesday	Friday
July 1 - July 9	Spaghetti w/meat sauce	Fried cod fish nuggets
Monday		(Menu subject to change without notice)
CLOSED - HOLIDAY		
Tuesday	Deluxe chef salad	
Hamburger basket		

NOTE OF THANKS

ALL OF THE WATSON AND SHIPLEY FAMILY MEMBERS would like to thank all of the many people that have helped in many ways with caring, food, clothes, repairs, consoling and may other ways over the years and recently for the memorial service of our Sharon Shipley.

We would also like to thank Rance Young for the wonderful memorial service.

A special thank you to Gary and Emma Pate, Donna Pernell, Alyne Evans, Vicki and Merle Terrell, Leisa Shobe, Ann Evans, Leigh Smith, Carolyn Marble and the Hospices nurses.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

LU ANN COLLINS | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

Floydada Senior Citizens Center will be open each Wednesday and Thursday. We offer dine-in, carry-out or delivery. On Wednesdays we will be selling meals to go for \$5.00. Meals on Thursdays are \$7.00. For delivery, please call (806) 983-2032 before 10:30 a.m. Lunch will be served from 11:15 a.m. through 1 p.m. There is no added fee for delivery.

Membership fee is \$25 per year per person.

The Center's mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, TX 79235 and the phone number is (806) 983-2032.

Thank you for remembering the Center with donations or memorials. Every donation or memorial is greatly appreciated and helps the Center stay open.

MENU

Wednesday, June 30 - Chicken strips

Thursday - July 1 - Salisbury steak

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Hula hoops to Z-Pacs

Remember when you were a youngster and all your friends got the hottest new item first and you were still waiting for your parents to buy you one of whatever it was?

Hula hoops hit the scene in 1958. When Mother and Daddy finally bought me one (either I was broke or too stingy to spend my own money or both), they didn't get me a red one or a blue one or a green one from M. E. Moses. Nope, they bought me a black one from the local hardware store/lumberyard. It was fabricated from a piece of hose a bit skinnier than normal hoop tubing. Even the diameter was somewhat shy of standard, but so was I back then.

Some employee must have had time on his hands to launch that product line. I was the only kid at school with a generic hula hoop — not an enviable distinction. There was even a noticeable joint where the hose ends met — noticeable to me. It was better than nothing.

Before the craze ended, I got a regular blue Hula Hoop of the Wham-O variety, meaning I wouldn't be able to blame any serious future personal failings on a dysfunctional upbringing.

Fast forward to 2021. Instead of hula hoops the craze is Z-Pacs. All my friends have been getting them so I was happy when the doctor said "I'll prescribe you a Z-Pac," using the brand name like a household word.

I envisioned a sizeable shiny squishy packet containing something either to be ingested, topically applied or hung around my neck like a sack of anti-vampire garlic.

Instead, a Z-Pac, brand name or generic, is azithromycin tablets in an ordinary blister-style package. I just took the last of the six tablets from my ersatz Z-Pac. If I don't get over this cough soon, I may try garlic.

You know a product name is successful when it achieves household word classification. Z-Pac has made the cut. Shades of Kleenex, Frigidaire and Hoover.

Amazingly enough, in the vacuum cleaner realm, Hoover eventually even acquired verb status:

"Have you Hoovered the rug?"

In that vein, the grand prize goes to Weed Eater, by any other name, a string trimmer or a weed eater, no caps. The oddball verb spawned by "weed eater" is "to weed eat." In the context of past tenses, things get particularly out of hand.

I've heard variations. "Weed eaten" seems to be more common than "weed ate." If Will Rogers were still alive, based on his stance regarding "eaten" versus "et," past tense would be "weed et." Sounds better than "weed eaten" to me.

Too bad the beloved philosopher can't be conjured up to comment on society's current woes and to tell us what best to say after we've weed eated.

Wait! Is that Will I see doing rope tricks while hula hooping? He's even got a weed eater going! Or is it a Weed Eater?

My brain on Z-Pac.

I didn't anticipate these side effects, but I like 'em.

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- A in B.A.
- *"No _____ without representation"
- Unfortunately, exclamation
- *Drink to wash down burgers and hot dogs?
- Table scrap
- Steal, past participle
- What haters spew?
- Crane or heron
- Expecting woman's date
- Life force in Sanskrit
- Chipped in
- What Motion Picture Association of America did
- *Most popular July 4th decoration
- Notable period
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- Beer acronym
- *Lee Greenwood's "Proud to Be an _____"
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 - *July 4th pyrotechnic display
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SUMMARY
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ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES include the following.

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- Instruct welding technology courses as outlined in prescribed curriculum including academic lecture and hands-on lab skills.
- Remain concerned with any/all matters involving teaching.
- Demonstrate and practice proficient knowledge and skills concerning professional tactics, strategies, and techniques.
- Prepare lecture, lesson plans and syllabi for assigned classes, meet and conduct assigned instruction in classes and labs as specified in the class schedule, maintain official class, grade rolls and grade reports, report drops to registrar, and personally prepare and proctor tests that adequately measure student learning outcomes.
- Prepare and deliver effective lecture presentations to students in welding technology academic exercises.
- Prepare and deliver effective lab presentations in welding technology skill exercises.
- Stimulate and motivate class discussions encouraging positive student goal achievement.
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- Keep students informed of academic performance, progress and potential academic issues effecting student's success, tutor students who require special attention, work with student services when needed concerning student welfare.
- Be familiar with administrative policies, philosophies, objectives, and goals involving program and institution.
- Maintain updated professional teaching methods in assigned disciplines.

ESPRIT DE CORPS
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QUALIFICATIONS
To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE
Bachelor's degree preferred, Associate degree in welding related discipline required plus five years of professional experience in welding field.

LANGUAGE SKILLS
Ability to read, analyze, and interpret general business periodicals, professional journals, technical procedures, or governmental regulations. Position requires efficient writing, business correspondence, procedure manuals, and effective presentation of information and response to questions from students, industry representatives, and general public.

MATHEMATICAL SKILLS
Position requires ability to calculate figures and amounts consistent with program budget, classroom lecture preparation and instruction.

REASONING ABILITY
Position requires ability to solve practical problems consisting of multiple variables and interpret various instructions furnished in written, oral, diagram, or schedule form.

CERTIFICATES, LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS
It is preferred for applicant to possess industry recognized certification; memberships of associated trade associations are beneficial as well.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS
The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to reach with hands and arms and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl. The employee is occasionally required to use hands to finger, handle, or feel. The employee must regularly lift and/or move up to 10 pounds, frequently lift and/or move up to 25 pounds, and occasionally lift and/or move up to 50 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, and peripheral vision.

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SCHOOL NEWS



Glass, Holcombe play in All-Star game

STAFF REPORTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO FLOYDADA COLLEGIATE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES Luke Holcombe and Ryder Glass for being selected to play in the Greater West Texas Baseball Coaches Association 2021 All-Star Small School Baseball Game. The game was played at Lubbock Christian University on June 19, 2021 where the red team won the game by a score of 19-2. Luke and Ryder both were on the red team. Both Luke and Ryder played for the Whirlwind Varsity baseball team and garnered 2-3A All-District honors during their senior year.



Diamond Dusters hold camp

STAFF REPORTS | PHOTOS COURTESY OF YELENA SERRATO & GILBERT TREVINO

THE FLOYDADA DIAMOND DUSTERS held a three-day softball camp for ages 7-15 designed to improve fundamentals skills of throwing, fielding, hitting, base running, bunting, as well as overall softball knowledge according to their camp flyer. The first session had about 30 girls and the second session had about 15. Instructors included Gilbert Trevino, Erica Perez, and a few members of the Lady Winds High School softball team.



NOTICE - FLOYDADA ISD

FLOYDADA ISD SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM

Floydada ISD is participating in the Summer Food 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 the site and times as follows:

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Lunch will be Congregate
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Monday - Thursday
June 1 thru June 30, 2021
July 6 thru July 22, 2021

MENU

July 5-8

Monday

HOLIDAY; no lunch served

Tuesday

Chicken sandwich, oven fries, apple, milk

Wednesday

Chicken sandwich, oven fries, apple, milk

Thursday

Hamburger, celery sticks, orange, baked chips, milk

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FLOYD COUNTY 4-H ACTIVITY CALENDAR

STAFF REPORTS

JULY

5: Office Closed for 4th of July

7-8: Day Camp at Unity Center (save the date--more info to come)

9: Record Books due for District

14: District-Record Book Judging

15: District 2 Duds to Dazzle Contest

19-23: State 4-H Horse Show
26: Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Short Course

*UC = Unity Center, CEO = County Extension Office
Cara McKee started Monday, June 21 as our new Office Manager for the AgriLife Extension. Be on the lookout for emails and phone calls from her going forward!

IMPORTANT DATES LONGHORN ATHLETICS

June 14-17	SSS	6:00-8:30	Football Field
June 17	7 on 7	6:00	Floydada
June 21-24	SSS	6:30	Football Field
June 24	7 on 7	6:00	Floydada
June 28-1	SSS	6:00-8:30	Football Field
July 1	7 on 7	6:00	Floydada
July 5-9	OFF-Great Family Vacation Time		
July 12-15	SSS	6:00-8:30	Football Field
July 21-23	SSS	6:00-8:30	Football Field
July 26-30	Leadership Counsel Led Workouts	TBA	Football Field
Aug 2	First Day of Fall Practice	TBA	Football Field

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USDA reminds producers to file Crop Acreage Reports

FLOYD COUNTY FSA | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

Agricultural producers who have not yet completed their crop acreage reports after spring planting should make an appointment with the Floyd County Farm Service Agency (FSA) before the applicable deadline.

"In order to comply with USDA program eligibility requirements, all producers must file an accurate crop acreage report by the applicable deadline," said Summers, FSA's County Executive Director in Floyd County. "Our FSA staff is available to assist producers in completing acreage reports, including providing maps."

An acreage report documents a crop grown on a farm or ranch and its intended uses. Filing an accurate and timely acreage report for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage and prevented planted acreage, can prevent the loss of benefits.

HOW TO FILE A REPORT

The following acreage reporting dates are applicable for Floyd County:
July 15, 2021 Cotton, corn, grain sorghum, forage sorghums, grasses, alfalfa, CRP, Fruits/Vegetables and any other spring planted crops.

Service Center staff continue to work with agricultural producers via phone, email and other digital tools. Because of the pandemic, some USDA Service Centers are open to limited visitors. Contact the Floyd County FSA office to set up an in-person or phone appointment.

To file a crop acreage report, you will need to provide:

- Crop and crop type or variety.
- Intended use of the crop.
- Number of acres of the crop.
- Map with approximate boundaries for the crop.
- Planting date(s).
- Planting pattern, when applicable.
- Producer shares.
- Irrigation practice(s).
- Acreage prevented from planting, when applicable.
- Other information as required.

ACREAGE REPORTING DETAILS

The following exceptions apply to acreage reporting dates:

- If the crop has not been planted by the acreage reporting date, then the acreage must be reported no later than 15 calendar days after planting is completed.
- If a producer acquires additional acreage after the acreage reporting date, then the acreage must be reported no later than 30 calendar days after purchase or acquiring the lease. Appropriate documentation must be provided to the county office.

Producers should also report crop acreage they intended to plant, but due to natural disaster, were unable to plant. Prevented planting acreage must be reported on form CCC-576, Notice of Loss, no later than 15 calendar days after the final planting date as established by FSA and USDA's Risk Management Agency.

Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) policy holders should note that the acreage reporting date for NAP-covered crops is the earlier of the dates listed above or 15 calendar days before grazing or harvesting of the crop begins.

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MORE INFORMATION

For questions, please contact the Floyd County FSA office at (806) 983-3763 x 2.

Flomot welcomes hometowners back for Community Homecoming July 3

STAFF REPORTS

The Flomot Community Homecoming will be held Saturday, July 3, 2021 at the Flomot Community Center. Plans are well under way to make this one-day event enjoyable for residents, former residents, visitors and families.

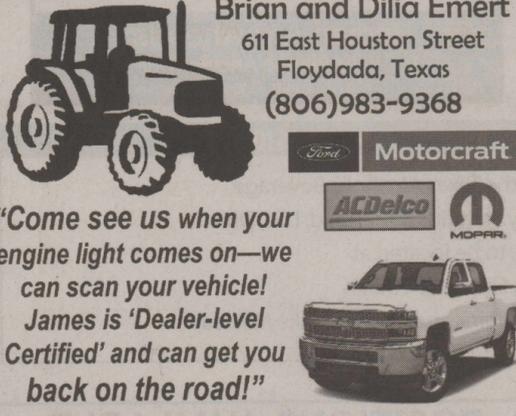
Registration will start at 11 a.m., leaving lots of time for visiting all afternoon. A concession stand will be available. A program and election of officers will be held at 5:30 p.m., followed by a barbecue catered by TriCounty Meals.

Music by the Bourbon Boys of Lubbock, to dance by or just to listen to, will start after the meal. "Everyone is invited even if you don't live in Flomot," said organizers. "Please let everyone know about homecoming. This is not just a school homecoming but a community homecoming. Looking forward to seeing everyone."



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	400-500	155-175	175-181	162-185	
	500-600	140-160	164-171	150-175	
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	700-800	115-130	145.5-146.5	125-155	
	800-900+		130-145.5	108-144	
Heifers	300-400	140-165		138-165	
	400-500	140-155	150-155.75	128-154	
	500-600	125-150	141-149	125-152	
	600-700	130-140	137.5-140	112-140	
	700-800	105-125	134-138	105-134	
	800-900+		110-128	80-122	
Pairs	Young	1000-1200			
	Older	600-900			
Packer Cows		65-75.5		50-80	
	Thin	50-65			
Packer Bulls		90-107		80-105	

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HPWD Dockum Aquifer Partnership Program funds available

HIGH PLAINS WATER DISTRICT | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

LUBBOCK—Anyone interested in drilling a new Dockum Aquifer test well is encouraged to participate in the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District's (HPWD) Dockum Aquifer Partnership Program. Funds are still available for the 2021 fiscal year that ends Sept. 30.

Since its creation in February 2020, the program has provided partial funding for three test wells. These were located near Bovina, Edmonson, and Farwell.

"HPWD has the responsibility to conduct research and provide information on aquifers within the District boundaries. Partnering with constituents on new well projects is the best way to obtain aquifer information while lessening research costs," said manager Jason Coleman.

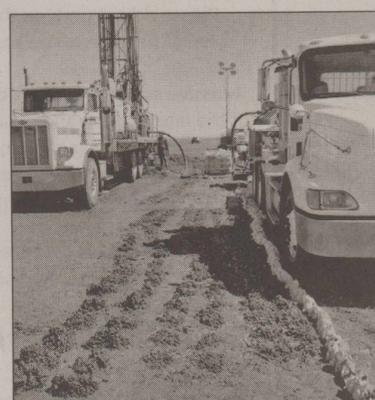
Funding is on an application by application basis. Each request will be reviewed and negotiated by the general manager before it is submitted to the HPWD board of directors for consideration. Eligible expenses include cost of drilling, logging, and/or completing a new Dockum Aquifer test well. Other costs may also be eligible.

A Request for Applications document and Well Application form are available on the HPWD website (www.hpwd.org/dockum-partnership). Additional information is available by contacting Coleman at (806) 762-0181 or by email at jason.coleman@hpwd.org

In recent years, there has been increased interest in using groundwater from the Dockum Aquifer as an alternative water supply. HPWD promotes research to gain a better understanding of the aquifer's geology and water quality.

This information is incorporated into the HPWD interactive map (dockumstudy.hpwd.org). It features water level information, water quality testing results, and geophysical well logs. Additional information about the Dockum Aquifer is also available at hpwd.org/aquifers.

Created in 1951 by local residents and the Texas Legislature, the High Plains Water District works to conserve, preserve, protect, and prevent the waste of underground water within its 16-county service area. HPWD is the first groundwater conservation district created in Texas.



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OBITUARIES

Geneva Gage Giesecke, 1935-2021



The family of Geneva Giesecke honored her life of nearly 86 years at a graveside service at the Afton Cemetery, Afton, Texas at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, June 30, 2021.

Geneva Dean (Gage) Giesecke passed away on Saturday, June 26, 2021. She was born June 29, 1935, in Croton, Texas, Dickens County, the daughter of Charlie and Ouida Gage.

Geneva was a 1954 graduate of Patton Springs High School.

Geneva and Rockne Leland (Sappo) Giesecke married April 9, 1955. They made their home in El Paso, Texas, Odessa, Texas, and Los Angeles, California, before settling in Floydada, Texas, where Geneva and R.L. owned and operated White's Auto. In 1981 they moved to Lubbock, Texas.

There, Geneva was a member of Quaker Avenue Church of Christ.

Geneva was preceded in death by R.L., her husband of 58 years; her parents, Charlie and Ouida Gage; and her brother, Jerry Gage.

She is survived by her children, Mike (Penny) Giesecke, of Floydada and Elaine (William) Cochran of Lubbock and Matador; and grandchildren Zalanda (C.J.) Naranjo of Lubbock and Lance (Andrea) Ruland of Prosper, Texas. Geneva has six great-grandchildren, Christian, Cayden and Cashton Naranjo, and Tristan, Wesley and Hannah Ruland of Prosper, Texas. She is also survived by sisters Evelyn Yeates of Lubbock, Texas, and Pat (Bob) Forbis of Afton, Texas, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

The family has designated memorial contributions in Geneva's memory to the Afton Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 533, Afton, TX 79244.

Barry Stansell, 1935-2021



Norvell Barry Stansell, age 85, passed away on Friday, June 25, 2021.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Friday, July 2, 2021 at the Moore-Rose Funeral Home Chapel.

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

Barry was born November 25, 1935 in Floydada to N.B. and Troye (Willis) Stansell. He attended schools in Floydada before attending college at Abilene

College. He also served in the United States Air Force with 501st Tactical Unit.

Barry met and married the love of his life, Shirley Jean Wibling, in May of 1975.

He worked most of his life in the agriculture industry, many of those years with Riverside Chemical and Agriculture.

Barry is preceded in death by his wife, Shirley.

Those left to cherish Barry's memory are his sons, Kent Stansell and wife, Anna, of Panhandle, Texas, Jeff Stansell and wife, Dona, of Austin, Terry Oakley and wife, Barbara, his daughters, Susan Emert and husband, Randy of Paint Creek, Texas; Tava Porter, and Jeanie Rivers; 15 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; 13 great-great-grandchildren; his brother, Keith Stansell of Floydada; and nieces Sandra Lungrone and Lisa Stansell.

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



Harmony Plains Singing School reconvenes in Cone this July

LIZ ADAMS | HESPERIAN-BEACON

The third Sunday in July marks a special time for families who visit Cone, Texas, for worship and praise.

An average of two to three hundred students arrives each year for a week-long summer camp at Harmony Plains Singing School, though the tradition was interrupted by Covid-19

last year. Camp will resume this summer, with registration beginning July 18. Classes will be held July 19-23.

The music and theme for the 57th session will be "The Great Physician Now Is Near" by William Hunter. Participants will study hymn 209 and the biblical text of Peter 2:23-24. Membership

is not required in order to attend.

Classes are divided according to age group from toddlers to adults. Teachers at the camp are volunteers, many with music degrees. Campers are not charged tuition, though donations are accepted. Meals and restrooms are provided. Tent sites and camper hookups are

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FLOYD COUNTY SHERIFF'S CRIME REPORT

SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

May 1 Deputy was dispatched to the 800 block of West Spruce Street in the City of Lockney in reference to an assault that occurred in the street. The victim left the scene and contacted the Sheriff's Office from a different location to report the incident. Case still under investigation.

May 2 Deputy conducted a traffic stop on the Matador Highway on a 2012 Chrysler 300 for driving the wrong way on a divided highway. Carlos Baker, 55, of Floydada was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance.

May 2 A 2016 Chevy was stopped for speeding on US Highway 70. Deputy conducted a probable cause vehicle search and located methamphetamine inside the vehicle. Guadalupe Marie Gonzales, 39, of Floydada was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance.

May 3 Floyd County Sheriff's Office received a call of criminal mischief in the 100 block of South Main Street in the City of Lockney. Complaint reported that some minor damage had been done to the rear entrance door of the building.

May 4 Chrizelda Samarripas, 45, was arrested in the 400 block of Houston Street in the City of Floydada for Possession of a Controlled Substance after being stopped for expired registration.

May 4 Floyd County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call of an accident that occurred in the 300 block of East Locust Street in the City of Lockney that involved a 2002 Chevy pickup that struck a utility pole. Derek Wood, 22, of Lockney was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated.

May 10 Deputy conducted a traffic stop on a 2009 Chevy on Main Street in the City of Lockney for expired registration. A probable cause vehicle search was conducted where deputy located THC (Tetrahydrocannabinol) vape pen along with a handgun. Shaquille Larrell Thompson, 27, of Lockney was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance and Unlawful Carrying of a Firearm.

May 11 Deputy conducted a traffic stop in the 400 block of North 2nd Street in the City of Floydada on a 2013 Toyota for speeding. A consent vehicle search was done. Karol Mabel Santos Martinez, 32, of California was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance.

May 12 Deputy conducted a traffic stop in the 500 block of East Houston Street in the City of Floydada on a 2012 Chrysler 300 for failure to maintain single lane of travel. Carlos Baker, 55, of Floydada was asked to exit his vehicle. He then placed a plastic bag in his mouth. EMS was called and Baker was taken to Mangold in Lockney for ingesting narcotics.

May 17 Deputy received a call about Interference with Child Custody in the 200 block of Southwest 2nd Street in the City of Lockney. This case in pending court action.

May 27 Deputies responded to the 1100 block of FM 2301 in reference to shots being fired at a residence. This case is pending court action.

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p.m. on July 2 in Kidsville Park. Milk, cheese, and ice cream will be available. There will be a petting zoo, bouncy houses, food trucks, and free hot dogs for military, first responders, teachers, nurses. Lawn chairs are recommended.

ROARING SPRINGS An Independence Day tradition, Roaring Springs will hold a program in the park at 9:30 a.m. on the morning of Saturday, July 3. Activities are set to continue throughout the day, with food vendors available for lunch and live music. Restrooms will be open at the community center. There will be bingo games and a barbecue dinner benefit for the volunteer fire department. Fireworks begin at dark.

SILVERTON Homemade ice cream, washer pitching, and cornhole are part of the annual celebration in Silvertown. In recent years, as many as 150 people have come out to the park for this event.

"We will have hot dogs and ice cream in the park 6:00 p.m. for the fourth," said fire chief JoDee Robison.

There is no charge, but donations will be accepted for fire department trucks and equipment. Festivities are likely to conclude around 8 to 8:30 p.m.

SPUR For the first time in almost a quarter of a century, Spur will have its own fireworks and 4th of July celebration. Proceeds from the event will serve as a fundraiser for the Spur Volunteer Fire Department. Swenson Park will play host to an afternoon and evening of celebrations on Sunday, July 4. Festivities get underway at 4 p.m.

Activities include a Kid Zone with a 200-foot water slide and a bounce house with water. Fun for adults include a corn hole tournament. Fireworks get underway at dark. Entry is \$5. Food can also be purchased: a hot dog plate will be \$5 and hamburger plate will be \$10. A Kid Zone all-day play wristband costs \$10.

From 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. there will be a home-made ice cream contest. Entry fee is \$10, and there is a \$2 fee for a tasting cup and voting ballot. Registration for the ice cream contest will be at 4:30 p.m.; tasters sign-up will take place at 5:00 p.m.; and winners will be announced at 6:30 p.m. A total payout of 50% goes to the winner.

Starting at 6:30 p.m. there will be a most patriotic costume contest. Registration is from 6:30 to 7 p.m. for all ages, and at 7 p.m. is the Show Off and Selection of the Winner.

All activities take place near the baseball field. Please bring lawn chairs/blankets for viewing of the fireworks. Fireworks will be set off in the Spur bonfire location.

APPLICATION TO TEXAS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION

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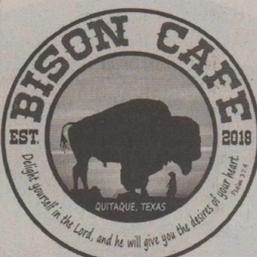
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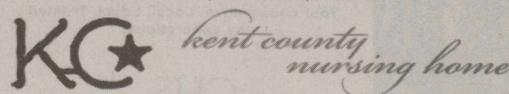


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The Floyd County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

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To Churches and Congregations in Our Region

Please check your directory listing!

It has been our privilege and pleasure to share directory information that helps visitors and newcomers locate your houses of worship and learn when you meet. We are grateful for the sponsors of this directory who make it possible to publish every week; please express your thanks to them as well!

Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic we reminded our readers that your meeting circumstances might change on short notice.

Now that most of you are back to assembling in person, we realize that your meeting times or other information may have changed. Please email us and let us know anytime we need to modify your information. Thank you! —THE EDITORS

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SPOTLIGHT ON **FBC FLOYDADA SUMMER READING** YELENA SERRATO & COURTESY PHOTOS

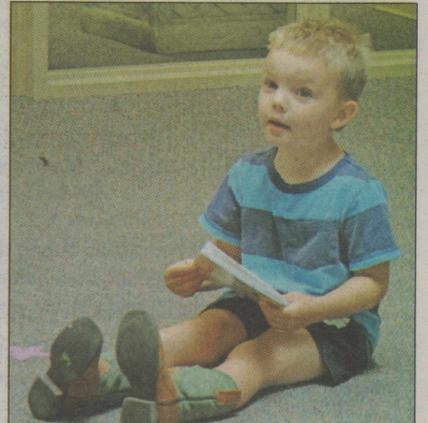
First Baptist Church holds first-ever Summer Reading Club

The First Baptist Church of Floydada organized its first Summer Reading Club this year for children who have completed kindergarten through 5th grade, and also preschoolers. Natalie Snowden is mostly heading this program through the church's G.I.F.T.S. Ministry. All the participants heard the Bible story of Jonah and the big fish, along with their book of the week. To go along with the big fish story, the kids played "sharks and minnows" during game time. Participants also took part in fun activities like painting a shark or whale

piggy bank and enjoyed some yummy snacks.

"I hope the Summer Reading Club continues every year," said FBC director of children's ministry Ludustia Prisk said "Natalie and I wanted to start the reading club last year but with Covid-19 we weren't able to."

Prisk said the program had had a great response. "The preschool reading time filled up completely, which surprised me. We even have several on our waiting list if anyone drops out. We almost filled the older groups also."



FBC girls and sponsors meet 'Coffee Bean' at Caprock Girls Camp, make forever friends

STAFF REPORTS

LEAVING FROM FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FLOYDADA on Thursday morning to attend the Caprock Girls Camp are, from left, Andi Moore, Charli Moore, Ludustia Prisk, Ella Snowden, Zaybree Back and Natalie Snowden. | COURTESY PHOTO

First Baptist Church of Floydada took three young ladies and three sponsors to Plains Baptist Assembly for Caprock Girls Camp which started Thursday morning, June 24. The group returned back to Floydada about 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 27. The FBC group stayed in the Jubilee Conference Center (JCC).

The camp theme was UNSTOPPABLE and the theme verse was "Created for such a time as this" from Esther 4:14.

While at camp, the girls, Zaybree Back, Charli Moore, and Ella Snowden, along with their sponsors, Andi Moore, Ludustia Prisk and Natalie Snowden, participated in daily Bible studies, music, worship, swimming and crafts.

The girls met and got quite acquainted with the camp missionary guest known as Coffee Bean. Coffee Bean felt called to go into missions at the

age of 52 years of age.

Sponsor Prisk added, "We are working on having Coffee Bean come share with First Baptist Church sometime in July."

While at camp, the girls and sponsors also participated in Love In Action projects. They made cards and drew pictures with the words of encouragement that will be included in with Messages of Hope for Texas Baptist Men Disaster Relief. F



TAKING TIME TO SHARE SOME MEMORIES between camp activities were, from left, Natalie Snowden, Zaybree Back, Ella Snowden, Charli Moore, missionary Coffee Bean, Ludustia Prisk and Andi Moore. | COURTESY PHOTO

nately unable to hold their big annual Kids Kamp due to the strict COVID rules. Even though those rules have changed now, they just didn't have time to get everything in order in time to hold the Kids Kamp this summer.



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