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Commissioners approve RD reorganization plan



Special for the Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA — Floyd County Commissioners approved a bankruptcy exit plan last week for the defunct Reagor-Dykes Auto Group. The Floydada City Council had previously approved the plan in October.

The approval of the reorganization plan by local entities was a necessary step which could lead to the reopening of a local dealership.

Judge Robert Jones, a federal bankruptcy judge, approved the auto group's amended disclosure statement and reorganization plan, allowing attorneys to send those and voting ballots to the creditors named in its bankruptcy and the federal government.

Those ballots are due by Nov. 22. Ballots not received by that date will not be counted.

Creditors who objected to the reorganization plan had until Nov. 6 to file

written objections.

Judge Jones has set a hearing date on confirmation of the plan for Dec. 11.

If the reorganization plan fails or is not confirmed, the case will be changed into a Chapter 7 liquidation plan.

The reorganization plan includes:

- Consulting agreement with the Fin Ewing auto group to achieve "long-term business and financial goals."
- A new slate directors and officers.
- Up to \$13 million in new investment from an investment group headed by oil-and-gas company Henry Resources, LLC.
- New franchise agreements with Ford Motors, General Motors, Toyota, and Mitsubishi.
- A "Creditor's Trust" which will retain 10 percent of the new business's equity; the other 90% will remain owned by the plan sponsor.

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Lockney Chamber Accepting Nominations for Citizen, Biz of the Year

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY—The Lockney Chamber of Commerce has announced that its annual banquet will be Saturday, January 25, 2020 at 6 p.m. at the Lockney Elementary Cafetorium.

The Chamber is planning on a "Fiesta" theme.

They will also be honoring the 2019 Citizen of the Year and 2019 Business of the Year.

The Chamber is accepting nominations for both the 2019 Citizen and Business of the Year. Please send your nomination with a letter stating why this Lockney citizen or Lockney business should be considered for

this prestigious award to: Lockney Chamber, P.O. Box 477, Lockney, Tx 79241 or your letter can be given to any Chamber member.

The deadline to submit nominations is Tuesday, December 31.

More exciting details of the banquet will be coming soon! Don't miss it!

Cotton production down in county



Floydada Coop Gin

Photos by Kendall McCullough
 Cotton harvesting process at Johnny and Kevin Smith's farm



By Kendall McCullough
 The Hesperian-Beacon

Cotton ginning season in full swing for area gins with growers reporting varying grades in their crops.

The current market price is .5465, which is trending better than last year.

The Floydada Coop Gin has reported their current bale count is 20,219. They estimate ginning 50,000 bales this season.

Darty Gin has a current bale count of 6,100. Last year they had a total of 22,332 bales. The Dougherty area had several farmers reporting severe storm damage this year to their crops. They report that the grading has been worse than last year. They project to finish ginning in December.

Barwise Gin reported that their current bale count is 4,540. Their estimated total is 8,000, slightly below

last year's 8,158 bales. Their average grade is the same as last year. Barwise expects to finish ginning in December.

The McCoy Gin has ginned a total of 8,249 bales. Last year's total was 26,000. Their grading has been better than last year and expect to be finished before the end of the year.

D & J Gin of Lockney has ginned 12,500 bales. Their estimated total is 20,000 which is down from last year's total of 46,438. They reported that the grading is better this year than last year.

Lockney Coop Gin's current bale count is 4,644. Their estimated total is 12,000 and is down considerably from last year's total of 31,813. They project to be finished ginning in December and reported their cotton grading is about the same as last year.

Upcoming

Events are listed free of charge for nonprofit civic organizations, schools and community events. Please submit listings at least two weeks ahead of the date. Listings will run through the date of the event. Emailed submissions are preferred to fchb.editor@yahoo.com.

LOCKNEY

THANKSGIVING

COMMUNITY SERVICE
 The First Baptist Church of Lockney (401 S. Main) will host the annual "Lockney Community-wide Thanksgiving Service" on Sunday, Nov. 24th at 6 p.m. Canned goods will be collected and given to the Lockney Salvation Army Pantry. There will be a reception in the Garden Room.

NATIVITY COLLECTION FLOYD COUNTY

MUSEUM NEW HOURS
 Carolyn Cunningham will be available Monday - Friday from 12 noon - 6 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. to show her International Nativity Collection. Nativities are located in the Barrow Building at the Floyd County Historical Museum, located at 105 E. Missouri Street, Floydada. The nativities will be displayed through the end of January. Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas. For private tours call the museum at 806-983-2415.

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Corrections

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Miracle on Main to celebrate Dec. 7

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY— Lockney Chamber's holiday plans are underway for the annual "Miracle on Main" a local Christmas shopping celebration held on Saturday, Dec. 7 in downtown Lockney.

From 6 to 8 p.m., downtown merchants will be open for shopping, and local vendors will set up booths.

There will be Christmas

music, and opportunities for kids to make ornaments. You'll be able to take a ride in the horse-drawn Christmas carriage for \$2 per rider. There will also be a corral of Christmas ponies available for you to take your kids pictures with for free.

Santa Claus will arrive on the scene at 6:15 p.m. and families can have photos of the children taken with St. Nick inside Garden's Gate

for \$5. The Chamber will be putting your Santa picture in a Christmas folder.

Come and enjoy listening to the Lockney Elementary students singing Christmas carols. Also providing entertainment will be the Lockney High School band.

If you are interested in a booth for \$10, please contact Priscilla at 806-401-1619 or Karen at 806-292-519. See you there!

Santa on the Square to be held Dec 5th

By Kortney DeBock
Chamber Manager

FLOYDADA - The Floydada Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce that this year's "Santa on the Square" will be Thursday, December 5th.

Things will be a little different this year! Santa and

Mrs. Claus will arrive and be greeting children at Nutthouse Designs (117 W. California). There will hot chocolate and a beautiful Christmas backdrop! Payne Pharmacy and Cathy's Floral and Gifts will be open to allow you to do some local Christmas shopping.

Vendors are also welcome to set up on the street in front

of Nutthouse Designs, there is no charge for vendor, spaces! Please call or text (806)983-3434 to reserve your spot.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be brought in by our local fire department at 5:30 p.m. and will stay until 7:30 p.m. Don't forget to bring your cameras.

We are excited to see y'all on The Square!

Floyd, Hale Counties enter into agreement over prisoners

By Kendall McCullough
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA — Floyd County has entered into an Interlocal Agreement with Hale County concerning the housing of prisoners. Under the agreement, \$52 per day is required per prisoner if jail space is available,

Floyd County would comply with a number of requirements set forth in the agreement.

Commissioner Nathan Johnson made the motion, Commissioner Davis Martinez made the second as the motion passed unanimously.

The following members were present: County Judge Marty Lucke, Tanner Smith commissioner, PCT 1, Clint Bigham Commissioner, PCT 2, Nathan Johnson Commissioner, PCT 3 and David Martinez Commissioner, PCT 4.

Fireworks were on the agenda as December is the second largest month for residents to celebrate with them. Judge Lucke reported that the U.S. Forest Service monitors the drought scores very carefully, and at this time Floyd County is not under a burn ban. However, he stated that it would

be better to table the item until next meeting to monitor how much moisture the county receives between now and the December meeting.

OTHER ITEMS:

- Unanimously approved monthly payroll of \$204,953.74,
- Unanimously approved paying the bills of \$128,680.72.
- Unanimously approved the Consent Agenda.
- Canvassed the vote from the November 5, 2019 Election.
- Unanimously approved the contract for copier machines for the Floyd County Clerk's Office. The 60-month contract proposal is \$285.99 per month.
- Unanimously approved making each Monday in August and September a regular term of Commissioners' Court, meaning meetings would be held on Mondays during those months as requested by the Texas Association of Counties.
- Unanimously approved participating in the 2020 TxDOT County Assistance Program.

Floydada City Council approves Trevino to Planning and Zoning Committee

By Kendall McCullough
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA—The City Council of Floydada, Texas met on Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at 6:35 pm. Attending members included Mayor Bobby Gilliland and councilmembers: Gabe de la Fuente, Dana Crossland, Bryan Martin, Gail Dubois, Bettye King, and Steve Lloyd. Also attending was City Manager Darrell Gooch, City Attorney Karen Houchin, and City Secretary Patti Lowrance.

Discussed and action were taken on the following items:

- A property at 119 W. Jeffie Street was condemned.
- Resolution 19-12 for a Home Grant was approved.
- WTMPA amendment allowing the City of Lubbock to withdraw from the entity was approved.
- Glenda Wilson from the Planning and Zoning committee submitted a resignation which was accepted.
- Dr. Gilbert Trevino was appointed to the open Planning and Zoning committee seat.

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The Paperboy



CHRIS BLACKBURN

This sounds crazy, but my nearly 28-year career in the newspaper business will be coming to an end in early December. In fact, next week's issues of Blackburn Media Group's newspapers will be the last.

I'll go into more detail about the new owner next week, but our readers are going to be in excellent hands.

If you've been reading this column over the years, you know I'm an advocate for rural America. I'm thankful that the new owner is one as well. He's invested a great deal in numerous small towns and is passionate about them.

Through the years I've had the pleasure of working with some of the finest people I've ever known. When I think of all of the employees I've had and the struggles and victories we've endured together, it's pretty amazing.

I don't know exactly how many employees I've had, but the vast majority have been wonderful.

When I arrived in Childress in December of 1991 to work for my grandfather at The Childress Index, I was thrown to the wolves. My grandfather made me editor of that newspaper which meant the employees of that office had a green kid who had zero experience managing people telling them what to do. It was scary as hell.

I'll never forget the day he told me I had to fire someone. It made me sick to my stomach.

They teach you a lot of things in college, but they don't teach you how to be a boss. Honestly, it probably took me five years to become a decent boss who had the patience and mindset to teach and manage people correctly.

The newspaper industry has changed drastically throughout my career. From the advent of the Internet to the rise of Social Media, newspapers have been trying to figure out how to remain viable and serve the communities they represent.

So what's next for me? That's a great question and I don't yet have an answer.

Through the years I've expanded my skill set beyond writing and photography, to include sales, marketing, public speaking, and most recently, writing a novel.

I've been sending out my resume in the New Braunfels-San Antonio area so we'll see how that goes.

I'm excited about delving more into my hobbies as well. In case you are wondering, I like to grill, golf, fish, and refinish furniture.

You sit on your butt a lot when you're in the newspaper business so I'm going to join a gym and get in shape. I didn't realize just how out of shape I am until I had to change a flat tire last week. Such a chore should not be as difficult as it turned out to be.

One of the things I'm looking forward to the most is living by a normal calendar. In this field, at least for me, you live by the issue. My weeks revolve around getting the next issue to press. It feels like time is warped to some degree.

As I get closer to the closing date my mind races with memories. I'll share more with you next week in what will be my farewell column.

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The 501: Does your car look guilty?



HANABA MUNN WELCH

Vehicular profiling. It happens. You've probably heard that red cars are the most likely to get stopped for speeding. True or not, I'm avoiding red. I need all the help I can get.

But really serious vehicular profiling is more about nuances — factors with connotations that combine to create a subjective profile of car and driver. Me, I appear to be part of a meth ring.

Actually, not all the time. It's only when I'm driving my older Santa Fe that I take on that guise. The car's got dents on either side — one inflicted by a fence post and the other

by a jackknifed trailer. A sizable piece of trim is missing on the trailer dent side. I still have it. I carry it around in the car.

Normally the dented car stays parked in the country, looking in that context like an innocent farm car not quite ready to go up on blocks. Problem: It's soon going to be parked for a day or two at our house in town. Time to reattach the trim. That's the least I can do. Nothing brings down neighborhood property values quite like a meth-looking SUV.

My partner in oddball car repairs, Terri, and I analyzed the detached trim yesterday. It's got several receptacles for cleat-like doodads that, on a good day, secure it to the car door. New doodads are two for \$3.49 at your favorite parts store. Six are needed. Time to rob the parts car.

Speaking of property values, I misspoke. Nothing affects a neighborhood quite like a wrecked parts car. If you have one parked at your house, stick a big sign it — something like DONT DRINK AND DRIVE. That way it will look like the Department of Public Safety is using the wreck as a sober reminder to encourage everyone to drive safely.

Of course, if you live in a city that tactic is probably not going to fool the code enforcement officer. But you might try it.

Meanwhile, my wrecked parts car is parked at a house in a little town with no mayor and no codes. Convenient. It was once my car. Technically it still is, but let's don't go there.

PARTS-ROBBING PAUSE.

Terri and I got both trim and doodads off the parts car, thereby saving \$11.33 in doodad costs, counting tax. I gave \$10 to Dave, who helped us. He's temporarily living in his RV in the same driveway. Like I said, no codes.

Next I'll watch a YouTube video on how best to attach door trim to a 2004 Santa Fe. But for now I must feed Balde, an old cow temporarily penned in our fenced yard here at the farm. For whatever reason, she's lost a lot of weight. A lot. Think meth cow.

Hmmm. I think I just invented a new cow term. Except I think she's still got all her teeth.

TOOTH CHECK.

My apologies to old Balde. All teeth are intact, front ones included.

Cow profiling. It happens.



KENDALL McCULLOUGH

From my desk Health benefits of meditation

A couple of weeks ago I wrote about the spiritual implications for meditation. In this article I'm going to be focusing on the physical benefits of meditation.

Meditation reduces stress — stress can cause anxiety, depression, higher blood pressure, fatigue, and poor judgment.

Studies have shown that mediation can alleviate these issues.

Meditation can control anxieties such as phobias, social

anxiety, paranoid thoughts, OCD, and panic attacks. Meditation can help not only at home, but also in the work environment where stress is often high.

Meditation can lead to better self-image and positive outlook. Two studies showed that depression can be lessened in over 4,600 adults

Meditation can build self-awareness. Being alone with your thoughts help you control and direct them. It can help you better understand yourself. Knowing the lies the devil tells you can help you learn to combat them with God's truths.

Meditation can increase attention span (something needed so much today). Meditation is like a mental weight lifting, it increases the strength and endurance of your attention.

Meditation can reduce Alzheimer's. Studies have shown that in older volunteers meditation helped them improve attention, memory, and mental quickness.

Meditation can also help with increasing your ability to be kind. Some meditation practices focus on extending grace and kindness to yourself which in turn helps you have more patience and kindness towards others.

Meditation helps with addictions. The practice helps you slow down, realize your triggers, and increase your willpower so that you can fight your addictive urges better.

Meditation improves sleep. Meditation helps you slow down racing thoughts that can lead to insomnia. It can release tension which will lead to peaceful sleep.

Finally, meditation helps control pain. Pain is perceived in the brain, so when we train the brain, we can help lessen the pain we go through.

The spiritual, mental, and physical are all very closely tied so it is no surprise that meditation effects all three of these areas. I hope that these facts help you see the benefits of meditation and that you will try it out for yourself.

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SOCIETY

Floydada Chamber Business of the Month



Courtesy Photo

Congratulations to Whitley Nutt with Nutthouse Designs for being voted the Floydada Chamber's "November Business of the Month"! She does a wonderful job keeping her patrons looking sharp! Whether it is taking the next marketing step with an embroidered cap or cute screen-printed tee to wear to Friday night football, she can fix you right up! Stop in today and see what she can do for you or your business! Congrats!

The Operation Christmas Child shoebox begins with you

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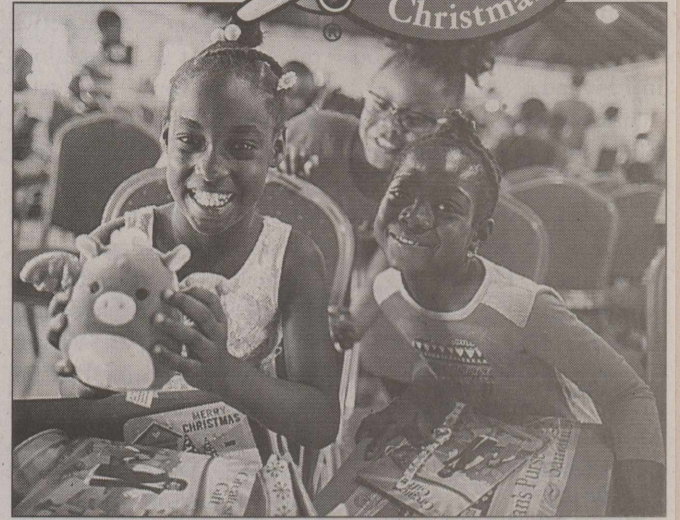
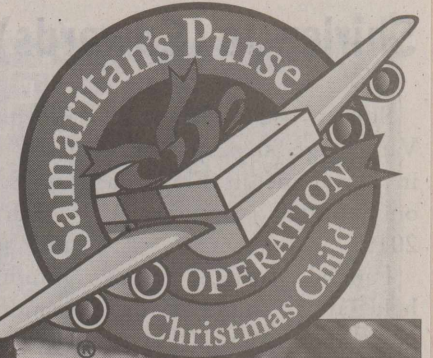
FLOYDADA – The amazing journey of a shoebox begins with you. There still time to pack your shoebox as the "Operation Christmas Child" OFFICIAL COLLECTION WEEK is November 17-24.

The First Baptist Church Floydada has shoeboxes that can be picked up and filled or use your own. When wrapping, please allow the box to open as additional items will be added for the children.

Ludustia Prisk reported that as of today, Monday, November 1 they have collected a total of 491 shoeboxes. She stated, "Once the collection of boxes is finished at FBC and packed into large cartons, they will deliver the cartons to the Central Drop-off location at Southcrest in Lubbock. There the cartons are loaded straight onto the trailer and taken to the processing center in Dallas.

For further info you may call Ludustia at 806-983-3755. or through email office@fbcfloydada.org.

The drop-off times still available are Wednesday, Nov. 20, and Thursday, Nov. 21, – 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 22 – 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 23 – By appointment only, Sunday, Nov. 24 – 8:30 a.m. – 12 noon and 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.



CHRISTMAS GIFT BOX SUGGESTIONS:

- **"Wow" Item**— clothes, shoes, musical instrument, soccer ball with pump, stuffed animal, doll, backpack.
- **Toys**—cars, jump ropes, yo-yo's, playdough, stickers, foam ball, football, slinky, Etch A Sketch.
- **Clothing and Accessories**—socks, hats, scarfs, mittens, hair clips, jewelry, watches, flashlights with extra batteries, blankets, socks, pants, shirts, loose fitting sundress, flip-flops.
- **Personal care items**—toothbrushes, bar soap, wash cloths, hairbrush, comb, colorful adhesives, reusable plastic containers: cup, water bottle, plate, bowl, blunt-edged utensils.
- **School Supplies**—pens, pencils and sharpeners, crayons and markers, notebooks and paper, color and picture books, solar calculators, watercolors, glue.
- **Crafts**—hair bows, finger puppets, friendship bracelets, purse, sunglasses.
- **You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself, your family, or group. If you include your name and an address, the child may be able to write back.**
- Every shoebox needs a \$9 donation to provide for collecting, processing, shipping, and other project costs. If you make this donation online, you can Follow Your Box and receive a special label. Attach the label to your shoebox, and use our Look-up Tool to find out the country where your box will be delivered with the message of Christ's love.

DO NOT INCLUDE: Candy, toothpaste, used or damaged items, war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures, chocolate or food, fruit rolls or other fruit snacks, drink mixes (powdered or liquid), liquids or lotions, medications or vitamins, breakable items such as snow globes, glass containers, aerosol cans.

THE FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM MEMORIES 1979

ALVA AND ELLA RAPER

By Mary Hazel Raper Johnson

Alva Raper was born in Indiana, June 25, 1872. His family moved to Jack County, Texas in 1884. He was the youngest of several children when he met the youngest daughter of the Faires family. Ella Ora was born November 3, 1874 in Johnson County. After her parents died, she went to live with her older sister, Mrs. J. W. Baggett, who had married and moved to Jacksboro. On September 24, 1893, Ella and "Al" were married in the Baggett home by J.J. Wyatt. To this union were born; Earl, Norvell, Mary Hazel and Fay, who later married Steve Williams of the Prairie View Community near Plainview.

In 1911, the family moved in a covered wagon

and settled on a farm in the Liberty Community near Plainview. The next year another daughter Mary Hazel, who is married to Lavon Johnson, was born March 17, 1912.

In 1916 Al loaded all his possessions in a covered wagon and with Ella and Hazel traveled into eastern New Mexico and back through the southwestern South Plains looking for cheap land. The cooking was done on a "bachelor stove", set up in the wagon and he had built a bed in the back of the wagon. After about six weeks they arrived in Floydada and stayed in the wagon yard until a house could be found. Alva found work with his team, Dolly and Button, helping build some of the stores and paving the streets around the court

house square. Norvell came to live with his parents and was drafted in the army during World War I and in the Army of Occupation in Germany after the war.

The family moved to a farm in the Ramsey Community east of Lockney in 1918. Al had returned to his first love-tiling the soil. He farmed this land until the early twenties, when he bought a farm just west of the Lockney compress buildings.

The family attended the Church of Christ that met in the old Christian College Building and then moving to the Main Street Church of Christ when the new building was completed in the late 20's.

During the depression of the early 30's the family lost their farm and moved to town in the northwestern

section where he continued to farm a small acreage and eventually moved to Canyon to live on a wheat farm for a few years. In 1942 they moved back to Plainview for several years before finally moving back to spend their remaining years in Lockney on South 3rd Street.

While living in Plainview, Ella and Al celebrated their 50th. Wedding anniversary, a family-and-close friend picnic in the park. In 1953 in the home of Hazel and Lavon Johnson, they celebrated their 60th. Anniversary. They were to celebrate their 68th anniversary on Sept. 24 after the death of Ella on September 3, 1961. Alva died April 25, 1962. They are buried in the Lockney Cemetery.

South Plains College to offer Personal Protection Outside The Home Course

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND – South Plains College will offer the NRA Basic Personal Protection Outside The Home course in the Law Enforcement Technology building on Nov. 23-24 (Saturday and Sunday).

The cost is \$135, and students also must furnish their own handgun, 200 or more rounds of ammunition, and either a strong-side holster that covers the trigger guard or a holster purse. They also will need a jacket or vest as a concealment garment.

This course is intended for individuals who have a License To Carry or plan to get one. The classes focus on firearm safety skills needed to win during a violent encounter. It is not a course for beginners. National Rifle Association instructors must take the student course before taking the instructor course.

The course is divided into two levels – basic and advanced. The nine-hour basic level covers safety, mindset, avoiding confrontations, legal aspects and concealed carry. The range portion teaches students to present the

pistol from concealment as well as all shooting with the gun holstered and concealed.

The Basic Class will begin at 9 a.m. on Nov. 23 (Saturday) and end at 6 p.m. with the Nov. 24 (Sunday) class beginning at 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. There will be frequent breaks and an hour-long break for lunch on Nov. 23.

Students will learn to move to concealment or cover, fire with one hand, move forward and backward, and aim by point shooting. Students who complete this level successfully also may take the advanced portion,

which is another five hours at the range covering more advanced shooting skills. The range portion requires approximately 200 rounds of ammunition, and it is included at no extra charge.

Students need to register and pay in advance. Because of the nature of the range portions, enrollment is limited. To register, call Kasey Reyes, administrative assistant to the Director of Continuing Education and Workforce Development, at (806) 716-2341 or email kreyes@southplainscollege.edu.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – The Fall Bazaar has been changed to December 14 due to conflicting schedules. For booth information please call the Center at 806-652-2745.

Lockney Senior Citizens is a 501 c3 nonprofit organization, we receive no government funding, we rely on the generosity of our community. We appreciate any and all donations.

The Center will be CLOSED November 28 and 29 for Thanksgiving. We will also be closed on December 24 – January 1 for Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Breakfast is served here at the Center from 5:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday only. Lunch is served Monday thru Friday from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Be sure and call the Center by 9:30 a.m. if you would like to eat lunch at the Center. Our phone number is 806-652-2745.

Remember to come exercise with us on Wednesday, and Friday, 8:45 – 9:30 a.m.

Coffee time – Monday- Saturday – 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Our Thursday night potluck is from 5-9 p.m. Bring a dish and a friend and enjoy games afterwards.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA – We have chosen two different ice makers to purchase and are waiting for our board meeting to finalize the authority to purchase. We should soon have ice once again!

Our next 2nd Tuesday Bingo Night will be December 10. Doors open at 5:30 and we begin play at 6 p.m. Our Bingo special includes meal, dessert, drink and 2 cards for \$5.00. Extra cards cost \$1.00 for one or \$2.00 for 3 cards. Prizes include meal vouchers, cash, and household items. The Progressive Bingo game is over \$100.00 cash.

We are in need of a volunteer delivery driver for one day or more. You will receive a delicious meal as payment for your time. The driver will report to the Center at 11:15. The deliveries take about 30 minutes.

Remember, Tuesday meals are \$4.00 meals. Check the menu to see what is offered each Tuesday.

Call us at 983-2032 for home delivery by 11:00 am. Our delivery drivers will begin delivering at 11:30.

Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235. Our phone number is 983-2032. Thank you for remembering the Center with your donations or memorials.

SPC Fine Arts to host Fall Faculty Showcase

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND – A variety of artistic works of South Plains College's Fine Arts faculty will be displayed Nov. 25 through Dec. 12 in the Art Gallery of the Fine Arts building.

Artists Chris Adams, assistant professor in Fine Arts; Allison Black, professor of Art; Kara Donatelli, associate professor of Fine

Arts; John Hope, adjunct instructor; Kristy Kristinek, instructor of Fine Arts; and Amy Porter, adjunct instructor, will provide samples of their creative talents for the general public.

The Art Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and by appointment on Fridays.

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OBITUARIES/CHURCH

Shirley Jo (Edwards) Varner

Shirley Jo (Edwards) Varner, age 80, passed away in her home in Floydada on Saturday, November 9, 2019.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m., Friday, November 15, 2019 at Trinity Assembly of God in Floydada.

Interment followed at the Floyd County Memorial Park.

Visitation was held from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m., Thursday, November 14, 2019 at Moore-Rose Funeral Home Chapel.

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

Shirley was born September 19, 1939 to Omega Guy and Virgie Lee Goldie (Watts) Edwards in Bob Town, Texas. Shirley was the youngest of six.

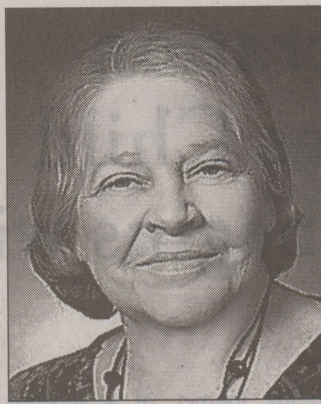
She married the love of her life Marvin Rainey Varner November 24, 1960. They made their home in

Floydada, Texas, with their two daughters, Virginia and Sabrina.

Shirley was a homemaker and stay at home mom, grandmother and great-grandmother. During her spare time she was an active member of Companions N Caring, and a charter member of Trinity Church of Floydada. Shirley also sang with Jubilee and attended First Baptist Church of Floydada.

Shirley is preceded in death by her husband, Marvin Rainey Varner, daughter, Virginia Pauline Dechant, parents, Omega Guy and Virgie Edwards, brothers, Wally Ben and Guy Edwards, and two sisters, Grace Williams and Deloris Smith.

Shirley leaves behind a daughter, Sabrina and husband, Bobby Emert of Mounds, Oklahoma; grandson, Chris Dechant and wife, Melinda of Wolfforth, Texas;



SHIRLEY JO (EDWARDS) VARNER

granddaughter, Amanda and husband, David Johnston of Floydada; grandson, Eric Emert and wife, Christina of Mounds, Oklahoma; and grandson, Joshua Emert and wife, Nelly of Oklahoma. Shirley also leaves behind six great-grandchildren, Hanna Hernandez, Blake Arebalo, Megan Dechant, Tyler Dechant and Payton Arebalo; brother, Leo Edwards of Weatherford, Texas, and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

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

Nancy Ann Golightly Tardy

Nancy Ann Golightly Tardy, 85, passed away on November 16, 2019 in Mansfield, Texas, surrounded by her family.

Nancy was born February 25, 1934, in Plainview, Texas, to Lee Calvin Golightly and Dot Rude Golightly. During childhood, Nancy and her family relocated frequently to accommodate her father's service at various military bases during World War II. As a result, Nancy attended 18 schools in a 12-year period! In spite of the challenges of these frequent transitions, she would often remark when telling stories from her childhood that she was always grateful to meet new friends and felt accepted at every school she attended. It's been said that 'Nice people tend to meet nice people' — a fitting tribute for Nancy.

Nancy graduated from Floydada High School in 1952, and then from Texas Tech in 1957 with a degree in elementary education.

In 1956, she married Harvey "Dale" Tardy in Floydada, Texas. Dale and Nancy moved to Pasadena, Texas, in 1957, where she taught third grade elementary in both Pasadena and Deer Park, Texas Public schools. Whether through formal education, volunteer work or teaching Sunday School, Nancy always had a big heart for helping children. Her grandchildren's memories of time with their "Mammaw"

attest to the fact that Nancy had a gift for helping children feel special, loved and maybe even a little bit spoiled.

While living in the Houston area, Nancy and Dale became parents to three sons, Larry Dale (Lisa), Joel David (Betsy) and Todd Ray (Shelley). Then, after moving from the Houston area back to Lubbock, Nancy and Dale welcomed their daughter, Debbie Rene (David). Nancy is survived by her husband and all four of her children.

Nancy was also a proud grandmother to 21 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren! She was fond of bragging on all of their various accomplishments, and she was intentional to develop a special connection with each one of them. Commenting on her ever-growing family, Nancy would often remark with a twinkle in her eye and a chuckle in her voice, "All of this happened because two people fell in love."

When Dale and Nancy moved the family back to Lubbock in 1964, Nancy continued teaching school and they began a business called Rayne Soft Water. Several years later, they took on a swimming pool business, Tardy Pool Co., as well as Culligan of Lubbock. Nancy helped Dale with the family business on Saturdays and during the summers when she was not teaching school. The



NANCY ANN GOLIGHTLY TARDY

Culligan Water Business is still owned and operated by the Tardy Family.

The most important part of Nancy's life was her faith. If you knew her for more than a few minutes, then you'd quickly learn how thrilled she was that all of her children and grandchildren have a relationship with Jesus. She believed that we can all accept God's free gift of eternal life by acknowledging that Jesus died on the cross to forgive our sins. She wanted everyone she knew to hear that Romans 10:13 tells us, "Whosoever shall call upon the name of The Lord shall be saved." Her greatest joy was knowing that we can all experience what is promised to us in Romans 6:23, "The gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord."

Nancy and Dale enjoyed watching their children and grandchildren swim in the backyard pool, taking family members skiing and traveling the world. They traveled in an

See **OBITS**, Page 8

Obituary policy

The Hesperian-Beacon will post an obituary in the next possible issue for \$65. If a photo is wanted, add \$10.

Death notices are free, containing name, date of death, date of service and survivors.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Longing for the Reign of Christ

As we reflect on the reign of Christ through scripture this week, we are reassured that God continues to watch over this world and responds to our cries for leadership that honors God and the people of God. This prayer will be answered in the fullness of time when Christ...

God, we pray for the day when your scattered flocks are gathered together into one fold where our similarities outweigh our differences, where abundance replaces scarcity and love replaces fear. Amen.
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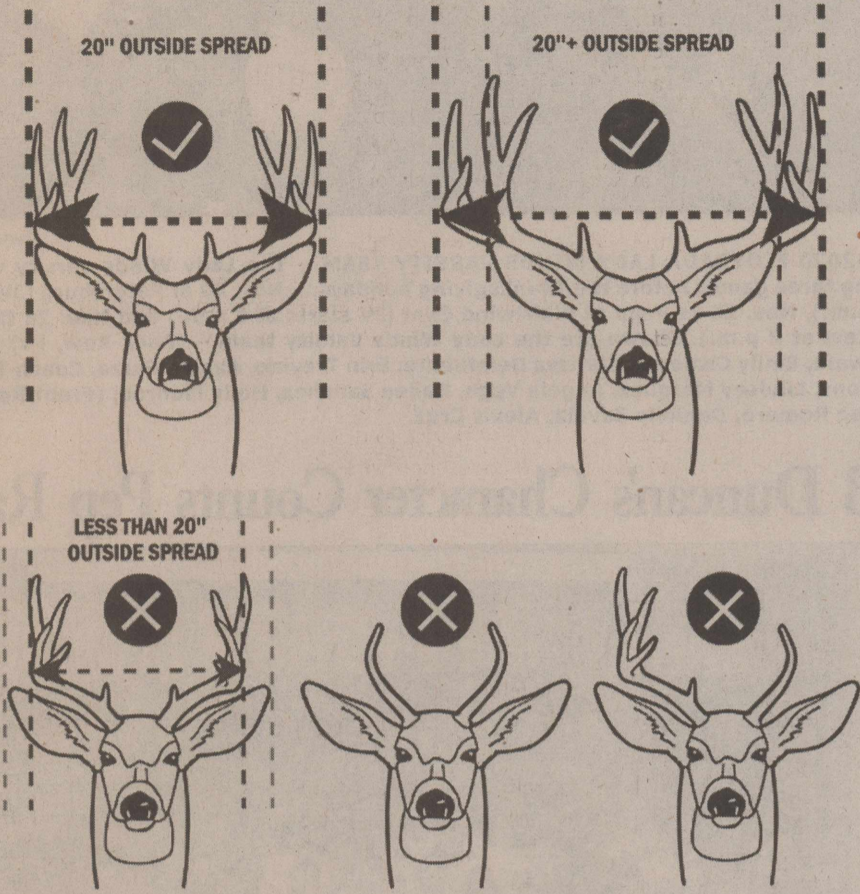
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<p>Aiken Baptist Church Dennis Butler, Pastor Morning Worship..11 a.m. *****</p> <p>Bible Baptist Church 810 S. 3rd, Floydada Darwin Robinson, Pastor 983-2578 Sunday School...10 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p>Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship Floydada Armando Morales, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Bible Study - 6 p.m. Wednesday Evening - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p>Carr's Chapel Service Every Sunday Morning Worship - 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. *****</p> <p>Church of Christ West College & Third Lockney Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Afternoon Worship - 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>City Park Church of Christ Bob DuPont, Minister Floydada Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p>First Baptist Church Floydada Mark Snowden, Pastor Nathan Adams, Minister of Students and Discipleship Ashley Adams, Minister of Music Ludustria Prisk, Director of Children's Ministry Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed Bible Study - 6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>First Baptist Church Lockney Joseph Tillery, Pastor</p>	<p>Chad Cook, Youth Min. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>First United Methodist Church Floydada Gary Boles, Pastor Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:50 a.m. Youth (Sunday) - 6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>First United Methodist Church Lockney Rev. Ricky Carsensen, Pastor Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. Evening Service - 6 p.m. Wed. Jr. High - 5:30 p.m. Wed High School - 6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>Grant Chapel Church of God In Christ Joe Bennett, Pastor Sunday School - 10 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Evening Worship - 7:30 p.m. Tuesday - 8 p.m. Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>Main Street Church of Christ Lockney James Blair, Minister Bible Study - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>Mt. Zion Baptist Church Floydada Rev. Timothy Askey 401 N 12th Sty. 983-5805 Sunday School - 10 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wednesday Study - 6 p.m. *****</p> <p>New Salem Primitive Baptist Church Floydada Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges (806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing - 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship -11 a.m. *****</p> <p>Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church 310 Mississippi Floydada</p>	<p>Rev David Ramos, Pastor Ester Ramos, Praise Leader Sunday Bible - 10 a.m. Morning Praise - 11 a.m. Evening Praise 5 - p.m. Wed Worship - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p>Power of Praise Full Gospel Church Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor 704 B Main, Lockney Sunday Services - 10 a.m. Sunday Evening - 5 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>Primera Iglesia Bautista Lockney Jesus Caballero, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m. Discipleship - 5 p.m. Wed. Service - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p>Primera Iglesia Bautista Floyada Rev. Toby Gonzales Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:40 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed Evening - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p>San Jose Catholic Church Lockney Rev. Renato Cruz Parochial Vicar - Jacob Powell Sun - 9 a.m. Children Bible study 10 a.m. - Mass Wed. - 6 p.m. - Faith Formation - CYO to follow Thurs. - 6:30 pm - Evening Mass *****</p> <p>South Plains Baptist Church Dan Beaty, Pastor Sunday School - 10 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. *****</p> <p>Templo Getsemani Assembly of God 701 W. Missouri Joe M. Hernandez 983-5286 (Church) Sunday School English - 9:45 a.m. Spanish - 11 a.m. Worship Spanish - 9:30 a.m. English - 11 a.m. Evening Service 5 p.m. Wednesday 7 p.m.</p>	<p>St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Floydada Rev. Renato Cruz Parochial Vicar - Jacob Powell 983-5878 Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m. Mon. & Wed. Mass - 6:30 p.m. Confession Sat - 10-11 a.m. *****</p> <p>Templo Bautista Salem Lockney Rev. Joe Hernandez Bun Prayer Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed. Meeting - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p>Templo Bethel Spanish Assembly of God Washington And 1st St. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Evening Worship - 5 p.m. Wed Service - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p>Templo Nueva Vida Rev. Herman Martinez Co-Pastor Gilbert Flores 308 W. Tennessee, Floydada Sunday School - 10:00 A.M. Evening Worship - 5:00 P.M. Wednesday Service - 7:00 P.M. *****</p> <p>Trinity Assembly 500 W. Houston Kari & Justin Brown, Pastors 983-5499 Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening - 6 p.m. *****</p> <p>Trinity Lutheran Church Providence Community On Fm 2301 293-3009 Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11 - a.m. *****</p> <p>West Side Church of Christ Floydada 983-2672 Or 470-0950 Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.</p>
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AGRICULTURE

Hunters Encouraged to Bring Their Deer to Check Stations

Mule Deer Buck Antler Restrictions Guide Legal vs. Not Legal



Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

Hunters pursuing mule deer this fall in Briscoe, Childress, Cottle, Floyd, Hall, Lynn and Motley counties will be required to comply with a new antler restriction regulation that prohibits the harvest of any mule deer buck with a main beam outside spread of less than 20 inches.

Hunters are encouraged to bring their mule deer buck to a deer harvest check station so that TPWD Wildlife Biologists can collect age and antler measurements to assess the effects of the regulation on buck age structure. This data is essential to evaluating the success of the experimental antler restriction or to determine if the restriction needs to be modified.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department will have hunter check stations

at three locations. TPWD Deer Check Stations will be located at Hotel Turkey, in Turkey, Texas, at Estelline City Hall in Estelline, Texas and the Matador Wildlife Management Area located 7 miles north of Paducah or 21 miles south of Childress. Check stations will be open every day, except Thanksgiving Day, during the 16-day general mule deer season, which is November 23 – December 8, 2019. Check stations will be open every day from 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. except the Matador WMA check station which will be open 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday-Friday, closed weekends and Thanksgiving Holiday.

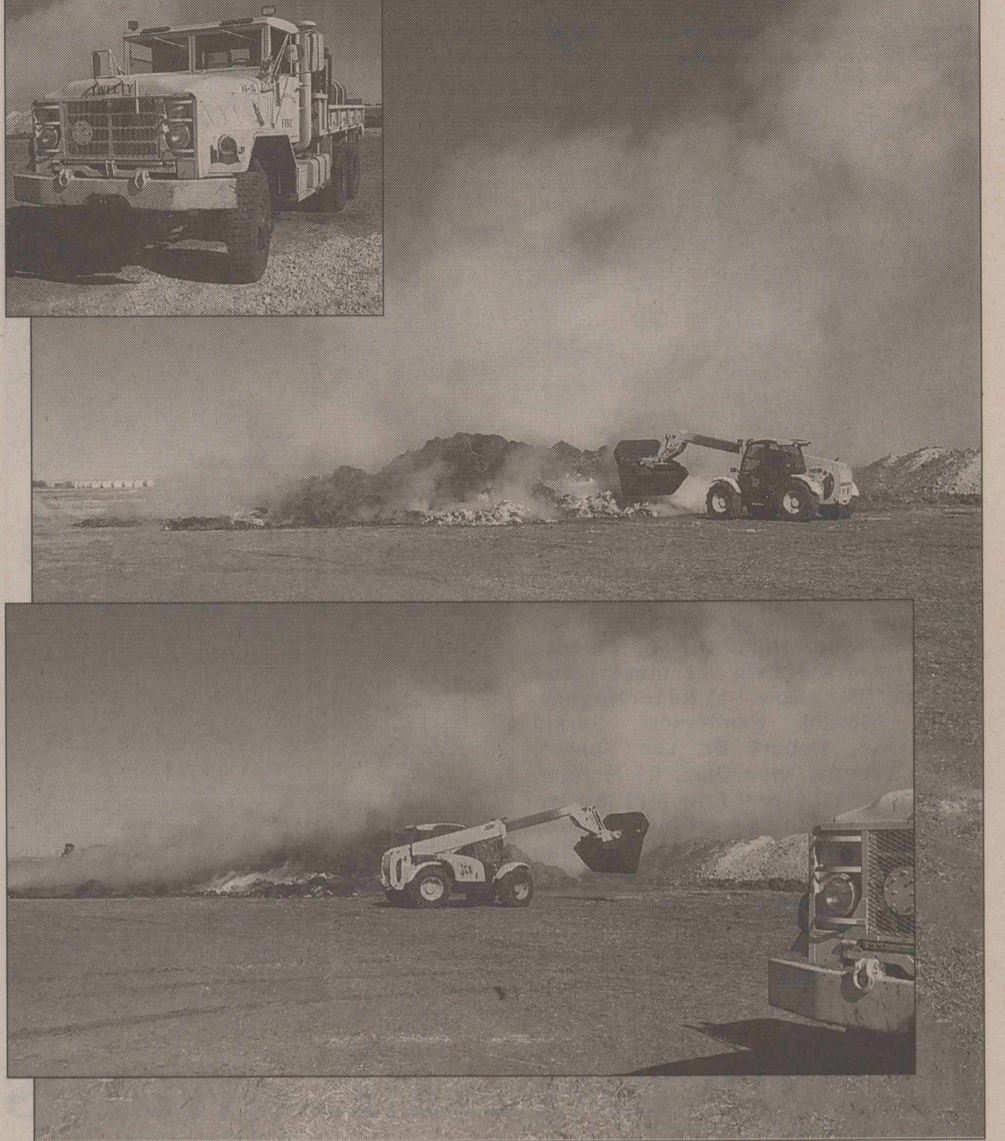
Hunters who bring their mule deer buck to a check station will be entered in drawings for items such as rifles and lifetime hunting licenses donated by Dallas Safari Club, the Texas Panhandle Chapter of the

Dallas Safari Club and the Mule Deer Foundation. Only mule deer bucks harvested in Briscoe, Childress, Cottle, Floyd, Hall, Lynn and Motley Counties are eligible for the drawing. TPWD Biologists encourage all hunters to bring their deer (Mule & White-tailed Deer, bucks and does) to the check station if they are interested in knowing the age of their deer, having their deer tested for Chronic Wasting Disease or have their buck scored for the Texas Big Game Awards. All data collected from harvested deer will be used to monitor white-tailed deer and mule deer harvest in Texas.

For more information on the mule deer antler restrictions or check station locations, please visit:

https://tpwd.texas.gov/huntwild/wild/game_management/muledeer/checkStations.phtml

Cotton Gin Fire



Photos by Kendall McCullough

Twenty-two bales of cotton were lost to fire at the Floydada Coop Gin last Friday morning. The Floydada Fire Department was on the scene back-burning a large area around the lot to keep the embers from spreading to other areas and bales. Manager Aaron Hendricks said that the fire came into the gin inside a module. Eric Hendricks was called in to dig a pit into which the bales were pushed in and then water was poured from the Coop's tanker. Mgr. Aaron Hendricks stated, "We thank the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department for their quick response time and experience in fighting the fire and preventing additional loss."

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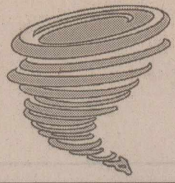
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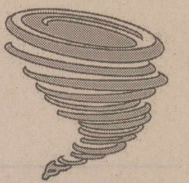
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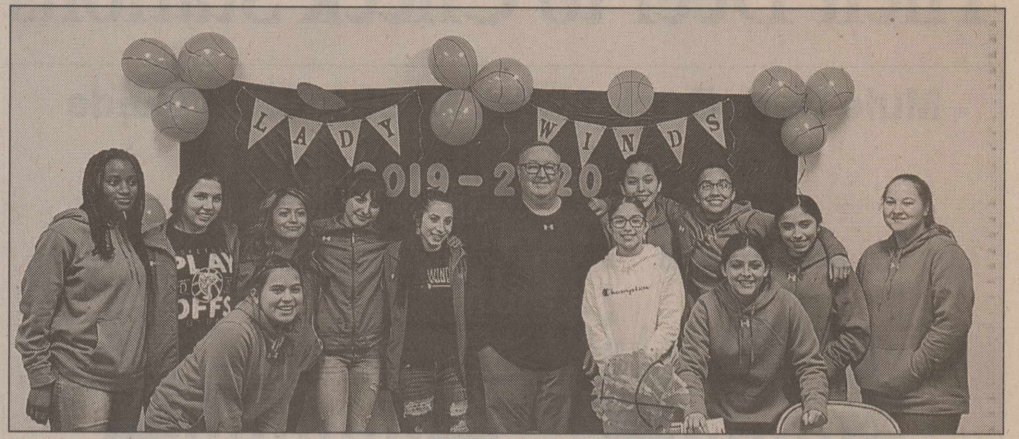


Courtesy photos

5th/6th Grade Floydada Whirlwinds played for 3rd and 4th place in the South Plains Ironman Football League in Post against Slaton on Saturday, Nov. 16. They won 26-6 and captured 3rd place. The Whirlwinds ended the season with a 7-2 record. Shown are players and coaches: (Back Row, l-r) Roger Hughes, Coach Gerald Henderson, Jerald Henderson, Robert De Los Santos, James Zepeda, Nino Diaz, RJ McHam, Brody Hughes; (Front Row, l-r) Jayvien Aleman, Enrique Hartline, Jimmy Castillo, Michael Ramos, Christian Contreras, Adrian Martinez, and Aziel Gomez. (Not pictured) Coach Lance McHam, (Players) van Baltierra, Justin Torrez, Omar Marquez, DJ Sanchez, Avrian Garza, and Logan Gutierrez.



Floydada Lady Winds



Courtesy photos

2019-2020 FLOYDADA LADY WINDS VARSITY TEAM – The Lady Winds varsity will be playing three games before the Thanksgiving holidays.... Nov. 22 at Petersburg (JV starts at 4 p.m.), Nov. 25 vs Vega at Whirlwind Gym (JV starts at 5 p.m.) and Nov. 26 @ Olton (JV start at 2 p.m.). Shown are the Lady Winds Varsity team – (Back Row, l-r) Celese Wickware, Emily Cisneros, Clarissa Delafuente, Erin Trevino, Azalea Garza, Coach Tommy Simmons, Lindsey Marquez, Angela Vega, Kailee Sanchez, Holly Monroe; (Front Row, l-r) Natalee Romero, Danielle Zavala, Alexis Cruz.

AB Duncan's Character Counts Pep Rally



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FLOYDADA – The Jump for George winners were: 1st Grade-Ethan Trevino, 2nd Grade-Maliah Tamayo, 3rd Grade-Brandyn Diaz, 4th Grade-Ariel Machado, 5th Grade-Jazlyn DelaFuente, and 6th Grade-Madilyne Garcia.

AB Duncan's Character Counts pep rally for the third six weeks, celebrated the character trait Respect.

Banner Carriers this six-weeks were: 1. Alejandra Arredondo, 2. Alyssa Rendon, 3. Derrick Henderson, 4. Jacob Stark, 5 Cooper Hinsley and 6. Jessie Castillo.

College Wednesday Winners were: 1. Amanda Suarez/Ethan Trevino, 2. Aaron Taylor/Jaxon Foster, 3. Delilah Mendoza/Rocco Falcon, 4.

Addison Hinson/Braeden Ramirez, 5. Katelyn Lopez/Alex Pacheco, 6. Josue Diaz/Brittney Machado.

Character Leaders were 5th Grade - Madison Pyle, Itzel Baltazar, Kanon Rainwater, Jayvian Alaniz, 6th Grade - Ana Saldana, Hannah Martinez, Saul Castillo, John Taylor Snowden.

Perfect Attendance Bike winners were: 2nd Grade - Miguel Angeles and Leslie Aguilar.

Perfect Attendance Bike - Consolation winners were: 1st Grade - Rowdy Mendolla, Amanda Suarez, 2nd Grade - Iann Perez, Lee Henry Mao, 3rd Grade - Jocelyn Baltazar, 4th Grade - Jathan Sanchez, Mia Casares, 5th Grade - Adriana Martinez, Alejandra Gonzalez Domingues, 6th Grade - Yahaira Ramirez, Justin Torres.

Floydada TAFE awards



Courtesy Photo

Congratulations to the Floydada Texas Association of Future Educators (TAFE) students that competed in Midland. The State Qualifier in Job Interview was Sydney Langdon. The State Qualifiers in Professional Development were Natalee Romero, Kailee Sanchez and Noah Garcia. Pictured are (top picture) Sydney Langdon; (middle picture, l-r) Noah Garcia, Natalee Romero, Kailee Sanchez; (bottom picture, l-r) Myra Garcia, Kaylea Britt, Noah Garcia, Natalee Romero, Kailee Sanchez, Sydney Langdon, and Natalie Contreras.



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FHS Counselor, Mrs. Kristi Rehkopf and a group of Floydada High School seniors attended West Texas A&M University in Canyon for a college tour on Monday, Nov. 19.

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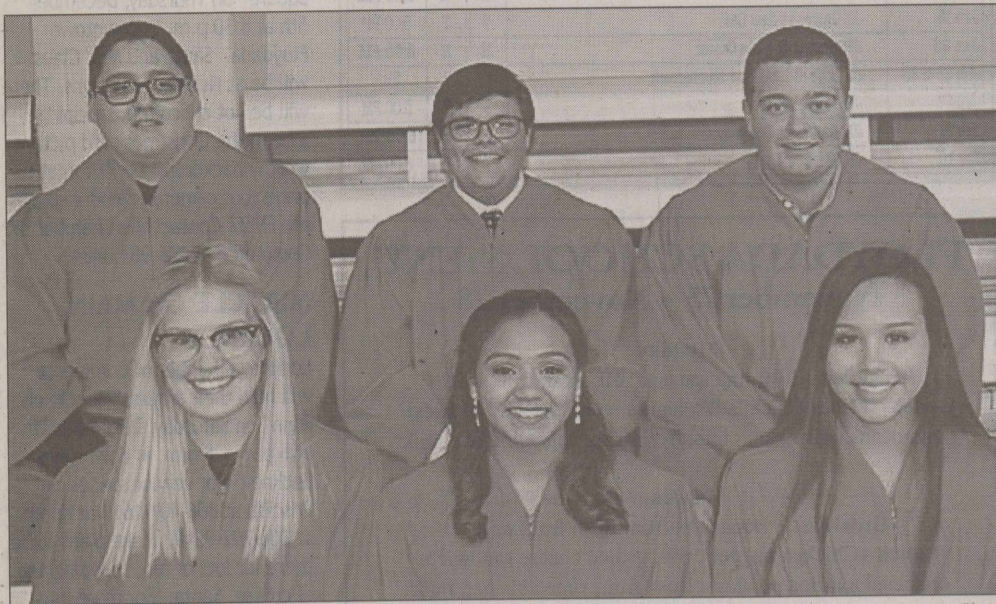
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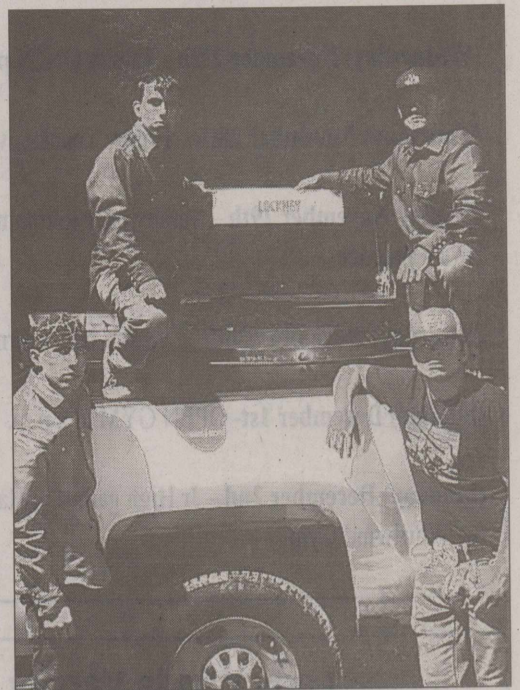
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Lockney High School inducted this year's new members into National Honor Society. Pictured (Top Row, l-r) Dylan Morgan, Hunter Lefevre and Kalebh Cook; (Bottom row, l-r) Audrey Rexrode, Ryiann Castillo, and Townlie Hernandez.

Lockney FFA competes

Courtesy Photos

Members of the Lockney FFA attended the Cowtown Welding Challenge held in Fort Worth, on November 8-10, 2019. Teams from Texas and Oklahoma are present, but the Challenge is limited to only 35 teams. Each team is required to bring their equipment, power, and materials used for the competition. Vance Lemons, Lockney ISD Ag teacher, accompanied the team to Ft. Worth. Although he wasn't allowed to assist or advise throughout the 12-hour competition, he was present and giving his silent support throughout the competition. The Lockney team got to keep their project and will be on display in front of the High School. Members of the team included Anson Rendon, Cole Poole, Ashton Urrutia and Gunnyr Araujo. Lemons stated, "Even though the team didn't place it was their first competition and they can't wait for the next. They worked hard for 12 straight hours and never complained. Thank you parents for raising such good kids." Pictured (Right picture - Top row, l-r) Gunnyr Araujo and Cole Poole; (Bottom row, l-r) Anson Rendon and Ashton Urrutia.



Lady Horns fall short to Slaton Tigerettes

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - The Lockney Lady Horns fell short to Slaton Saturday 56-43, logging their first loss of the season. Lockney took the lead in the first and built a five-point advantage at halftime but it wasn't enough as Slaton took up residence at the charity stripe to win the game.

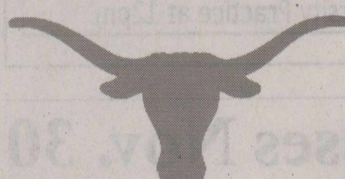
Slaton shot 69 percent from the free throw line (22-32) and was led by T.K. Robinson with 13 points, Jazmine Jackson had 10 and Kamryn Gibbs drained 8 in the win.

Madai Chavira logged 12, Gabby Cervantes had 9, and Townlei Hernandez added 8 for the Lady Horns who shot 64% from the free throw line in the loss. Lockney had 4

three-pointers in the non-district game and Slaton hit five.

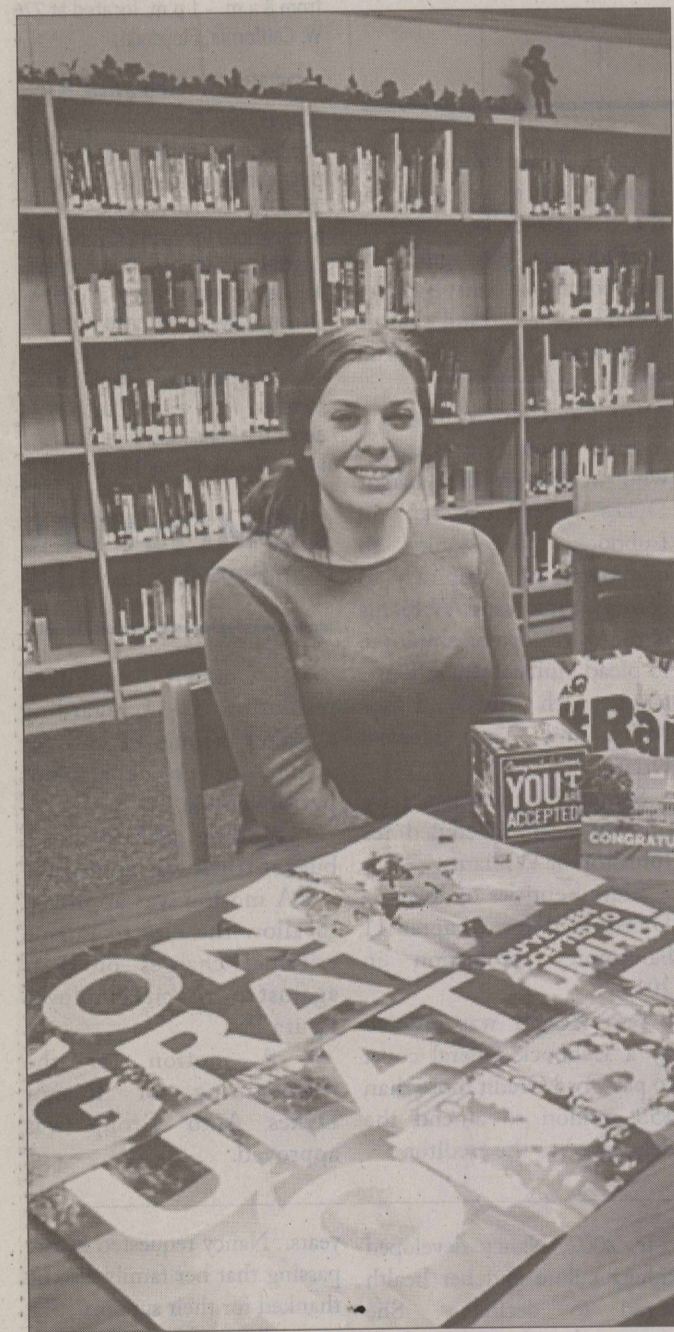
The upcoming games are: Nov. 19th at Crosbyton (6:30 p.m.), Nov. 22 -vs Springlake-Earth at Lockney (6:30 p.m.), Nov. 25th vs Seagraves at Lockney (5 p.m.), Nov. 26th vs Clarendon at Lockney (6:30 p.m.).

The Lady Horns are now 2-1 on the season.



Lockney Elementary 2nd grade

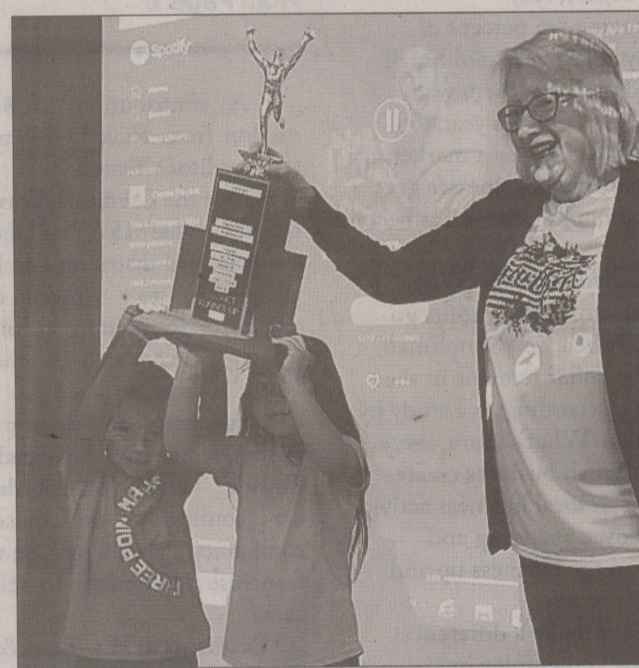
McInvale accepted



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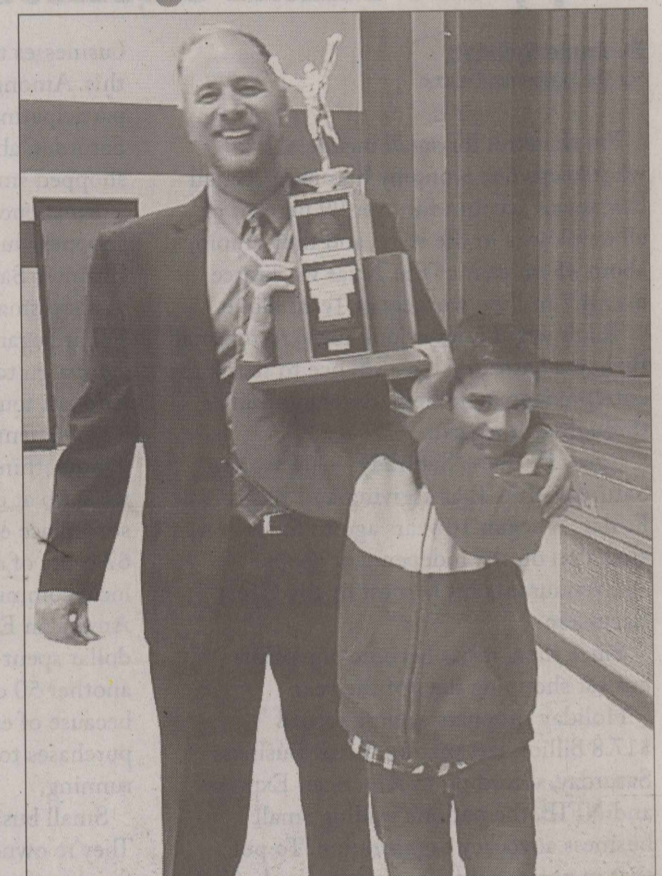
Congrats to Kaylee McInvale! She has been accepted to Angelo State, University of Mary Hardin Baylor, Tarleton State, and Oklahoma State University!

Lockney Pre K wins attendance contest



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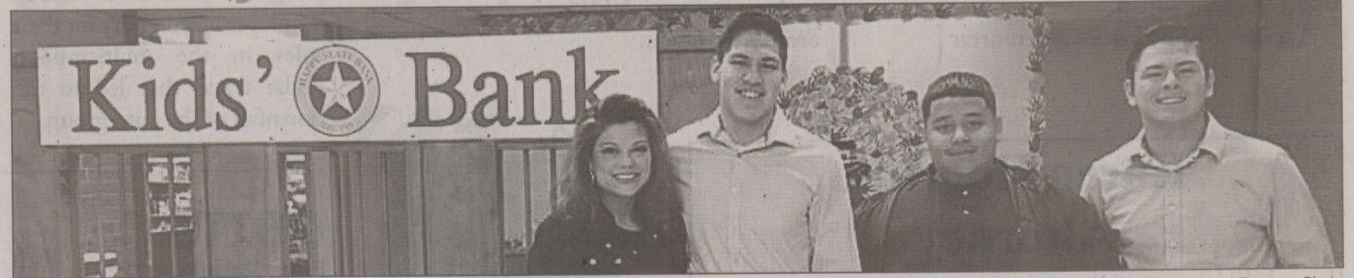
Lockney Elementary classes earn the trophy each week for their attendance the week before and with 96.60%, the Lockney PRE-K class won it. They have worked hard and come close in the past. Today they got over the hump! Thank you parents for demonstrating how important it is to be at school consistently. Pictured are (left to right) Kayson San Martin, Florencia Salazar, and Mrs. Lass.



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The Lockney Elementary 2nd Grade not only stepped up their game last week but were able to also have the best attendance for the entire 2nd six weeks. Urijah Arjona, you and your classmates will be having a pizza party! Pictured is Urijah Arjona and Lockney Elementary School Principal, Michael Michaleson.

Lockney Kids Bank



Courtesy Photo

Wednesday's are "Kids Bank" Day at the Lockney Elementary School. The staff at Happy State Bank and some of our Lockney High School business students volunteer to demonstrate the value of saving to our elementary kids. The kids set up their own accounts and deposit money. It's a win for everyone! Shown (left to right) Yara Poole, Nehemiah Montoya, Diego Ascencio and Ashton Urrutia.

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THANKSGIVING PRACTICE SCHEDULE**

(Monday) November 25th – JV and Varsity games @ Muleshoe (JV at 5, Varsity at 6:30)

(Tuesday) November 26th – JV and Varsity games @ Olton (JV at 3, Varsity at 6:00)

(Wednesday) November 27th – Varsity ONLY practice @10am

(Thursday) November 28th – Happy Thanksgiving!!! NO PRACTICE!

(Friday) November 29th – Varsity only tournament in Wichita Falls (we will leave at 8 a.m.)
No JV practice

(Saturday) November 30th – Varsity only tournament in Wichita Falls... No JV practice

(Sunday) December 1st- OPEN GYM at 2 p.m.

(Monday) December 2nd – Jr High games in Hale Center .. JV and Varsity practice at 10 a.m. in the Whirlwind Gym

**Lady Winds Varsity and Junior Varsity
Basketball Thanksgiving Holiday Schedule**

11/25/19	Monday	Games in WW Gym - JV 5pm / Varsity 6:15pm
11/26/19	Tuesday	Games at Olton - JV 2pm / Varsity 4:15pm
11/27/19	Wednesday	No Practice
11/28/19	Thursday	No Practice
11/29/19	Friday	No Practice
11/30/19	Saturday	No Practice
12/1/19	Sunday	No Practice
12/2/19	Monday	JH Games at HC - JV/Varsity Practice at 12pm

Support small businesses Nov. 30

By Annie Spilman
For the Hesperian-Beacon

I'm thankful for small business. It's what keeps our economy humming. Small businesses account for over 99 percent of all employers in the state, and they employ about 45 percent of the Texas workforce — over 4.7 million workers in Texas alone.

That's why I always look forward to Small Business Saturday. It's a chance to thank the entrepreneurs who help our communities throughout the year.

Small Business Saturday -- always the Saturday after Thanksgiving and Black Friday -- began 10 years ago to focus attention on the independent shops and restaurants hit hardest by the Great Recession.

Since then, it has become one of the busiest shopping days of the year. Holiday shoppers spent a record \$17.8 billion last year on Small Business Saturday, according to American Express and NFIB, the nation's leading small business advocacy organization. To put that in perspective, people spent only \$7.9 billion online two days later on Cyber Monday.

American Express and NFIB estimate that 104 million Americans shopped small last year on Small Business Saturday. In many cases, it was their chance to interact directly with the small business owner, the person who sponsors their local Boy Scout troop or cheer squad.

And it isn't just brick-and-mortar

businesses that are benefitting from all this. Among shoppers who reported participating in last year's Small Business Saturday, about 41 percent said they shopped small online, too.

Most encouraging, 96 percent of shoppers surveyed last year said Small Business Saturday makes them want to shop small the rest of the year, too. What began 10 years ago as a marketing campaign to help small businesses get through tough economic times has become a movement.

Something else to consider: When we shop at chain stores, the profits go someplace else. When we #ShopSmall, 67 cents of every dollar remains in the local community, according to a study by American Express. What's more, every dollar spent at a small business creates another 50 cents in local business activity because of employee spending and purchases to keep the business up and running.

Small businesses make a difference. They're owned by and employ our families, friends, and neighbors. They do a lot throughout the year to keep our communities healthy, from creating jobs to supporting local charities and civic groups.

I know it's hard to resist the post-Thanksgiving doorbusters and discounts at the chain stores, but I hope you'll shop small on Saturday, Nov. 30. Small business is the heart of Texas's economy. When we help small business, we help everyone.

Annie Spilman is NFIB's state director for Texas. She lives in Austin.

**Floydada Junior High
Basketball Schedule 2019-20**

Nov 18	JH Games vs New Deal	H	H	5:00 PM
Dec 2	JH Games at Hale Center (No B Team Games)	T	T	2:00 PM
Dec 9	JH Games vs Post	H	H	5:00 PM
Dec 12 & 14	JH Girls at Abernathy Tournament	T		TBA
Dec 16	JH Games at Lockney	T	T	5:00 PM
Jan 9	JH Games vs Ralls	H	H	5:00 PM
Jan 16	JH Games at New Deal	T	T	5:00 PM
Jan 23	JH Games vs Hale Center	H	H	5:00 PM
Jan 23 & 25	JH Boys at Levelland Tournament	T		TBA
Jan 27	JH Games at Post	T	T	5:00 PM
Feb 3	JH Games vs Lockney	H	H	5:00 PM
Feb 10	JH Games at Ralls	T	T	5:00 PM

**FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU
November 25 – November 28**

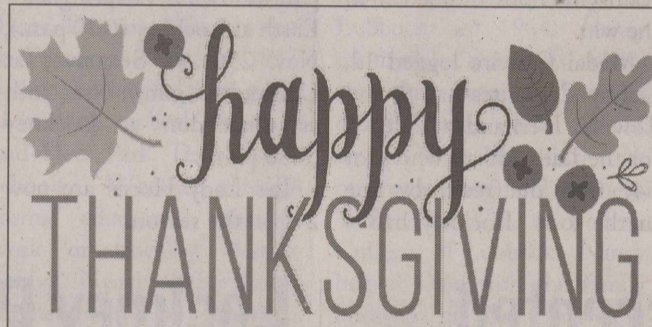
Monday
Breakfast – Morning sausage roll, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch – Cheesy enchiladas, hamburger, seasoned Mexican pinto beans, crispy tater tots, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Tuesday
Breakfast – Banana muffin, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch – Chicken nuggets, roll, grilled cheese sandwich, seasoned mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Wednesday
NO SCHOOL
HOLIDAY - THANKSGIVING

Thursday
NO SCHOOL
HOLIDAY - THANKSGIVING

Friday
NO SCHOOL
HOLIDAY - THANKSGIVING



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- A contribution of \$1 million from Rick Dykes to the Creditor's Trust.
- Once the Creditor's Trust reaches a value of \$7.5 million, the trust will distribute some payments to unsecured creditors. Remaining funds will be surrendered to the Plan Sponsor.
- Payments to creditors Ford Credit, GM Financial, Toyota, and Mitsubishi are contingent on those companies providing new franchise agreements to sell cars.
- Payments to First Bank & Trust and FirstCapital Bank.
- Opening dealerships in the previous locations using real estate deals Rick Dykes cut with IBC Bank.

The courts have been busy since the collapse of Reagor-Dykes on June 26, 2018.

Recently, two more former Reagor Dykes Auto Group employees pled guilty to their roles in the multi-million dollar fraud that led to the downfall of the auto group.

Paige Anna Johnston, the former office manager at the Reagor-Dykes location in Floydada, pled guilty to one count of conspiracy to commit wire fraud before Magistrate Judge Lee Ann Renó in Amarillo.

Lindsay Clare Williams, a former accounting manager who worked at the Reagor Dykes headquarters in Lubbock, pled guilty to one count of conspiracy to commit bank fraud. Williams is the third former employee to plead guilty to the offense, along with Sheila Evans Miller and Diana Herrera Urias.

Sentencing hearings have not yet been scheduled for Johnston or Williams.

Eleven entities of Reagor-Dykes filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in 2018.

Bart Reagor was ordered by a Lubbock federal court to pay Ford Credit more than \$53 million to amend the debt owed to the creditor.

OBITS
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RV around the country and eventually visited all 50 states! They also enjoyed trips to Europe and the Caribbean. Nancy loved serving alongside her husband on many mission trips where they shared their talents and their hearts with people in need. They moved from Lubbock to Mansfield, Texas, in 2018, where they were able to spend more time with family in that area.

In 2002, Nancy developed kidney failure and her health began to decline. She persevered through these challenges without a word of complaining for 17 years. Her family wants to express how much they appreciate the care given by the doctors, nurses and other medical personnel throughout this entire season.

Nancy's family would also like to express tremendous gratitude to the many friends who have been a support group, and for bringing so much delicious food for so many

years. Nancy requested before passing that her family also be thanked for their support. She especially wanted to thank her husband, Dale, for the faithful daily care with dialysis, cooking, transportation, other household duties, and the list goes on.

Nancy believed the only thing you take to heaven with you is the family that you have. Rumor has it, she's already standing by those pearly gates whipping up a batch of her world-famous mac-and-cheese and preparing for the rest of her family to join her there some day.

Nancy's family will welcome friends during a visitation and services where we will celebrate her life together.

A memorial service was held at 10 a.m., Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at First Baptist Church - Lubbock. Burial followed at the Floydada Cemetery at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 19, 2019.

Visitation was held at 5-7 p.m., Monday, November 18, 2019 at Lake Ridge Chapel and Memorial Designers, 6025 82nd St., Lubbock, TX, 79424.

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SANTA ON THE SQUARE - FLOYDADA
Floydada Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual "Santa on the Square" on Thursday, December 5th at 5:30 p.m. in downtown Floydada. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be at Nutthouse Designs. There will be hot chocolate, shopping and a beautiful Christmas card picture worthy backdrop. Don't forget to bring your cameras. Vendor spaces are FREE. Contact the Chamber of Commerce at 806.983.3434.

MIRACLE ON MAIN LOCKNEY
Lockney Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual "Miracle on Main" on Saturday, December 7th at 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. in downtown Lockney. For vendor spaces call Priscilla at 806-401-1619 or Karen at 806-292-8519. Make plans to be there for lots of fun, shopping and of course, Santa. For more info see article on front page!

5th ANNUAL COUNTRY CHRISTMAS BALL
Wendell Sollis and the Sidekicks All Star Band will host the 5th Annual Country Christmas Ball on December 7, 2019, at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center in Muncy, Texas. This year, the event will start at 6 p.m. with a catered meal furnished by River Smith's, followed by three hours of music by the twelve-piece band. Tickets are \$40 for individuals and \$400 for a reserved table of 8. Please call Dustee Sollis at 806-983-6228 for information on sponsorship or to get tickets.

FLOYDADA ISD CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE
Everyone is invited to join the Floydada ISD for their Christmas Open House on Wednesday, Dec. 18 from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. located at 226 W. California, Floydada.

LOCKNEY CHAMBER BANQUET
The Lockney Chamber has moved their annual banquet to January 25, 2020. We are needing nominations for 2019 Citizen and Business of the Year. Nominations will be accepted til Dec. 31, 2019. To nominate, please send your letter to PO Box 477, Lockney, Texas 79241 or give it to a Chamber member. More exciting details about the banquet will be coming soon. You won't want to miss it!

COMMITTEE
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- Council approved resolution 19-11 regarding a grant from SPAG for a new police department patrol vehicle.
- Bidding process for a bucket truck was approved.
- A motion was approved to allow the city to pursue criminal charges of theft against former city employee Laura Paz.
- A motion for the restructuring of Reagor Dykes Auto Group was approved.

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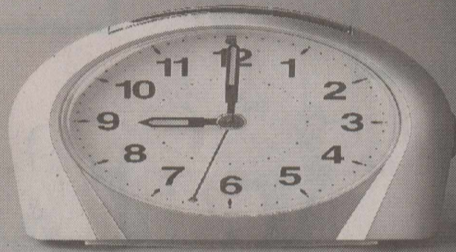
All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby notified to present them within the time prescribed by law. The address to which claims may be presented is:

Lex S. Herrington
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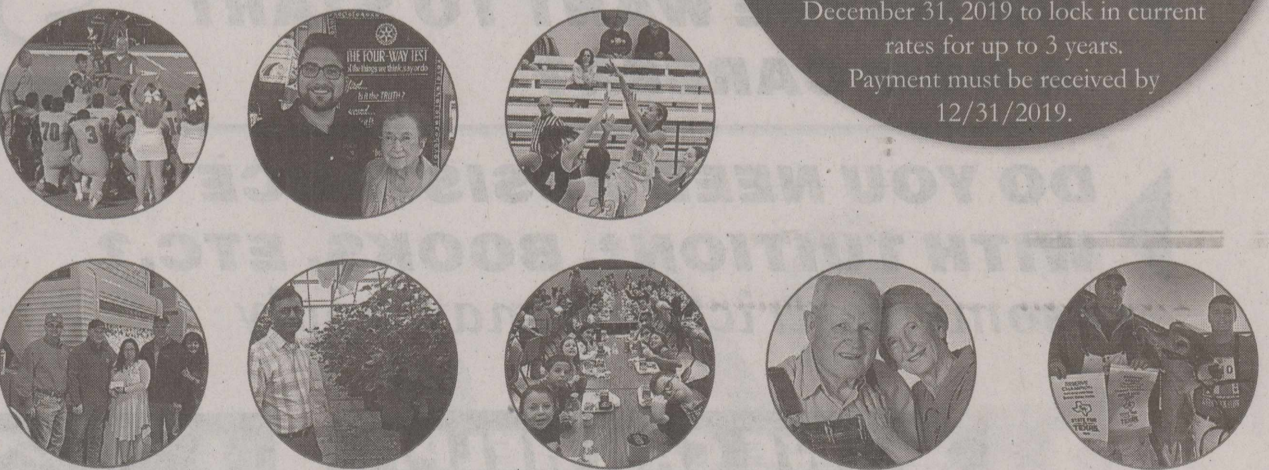


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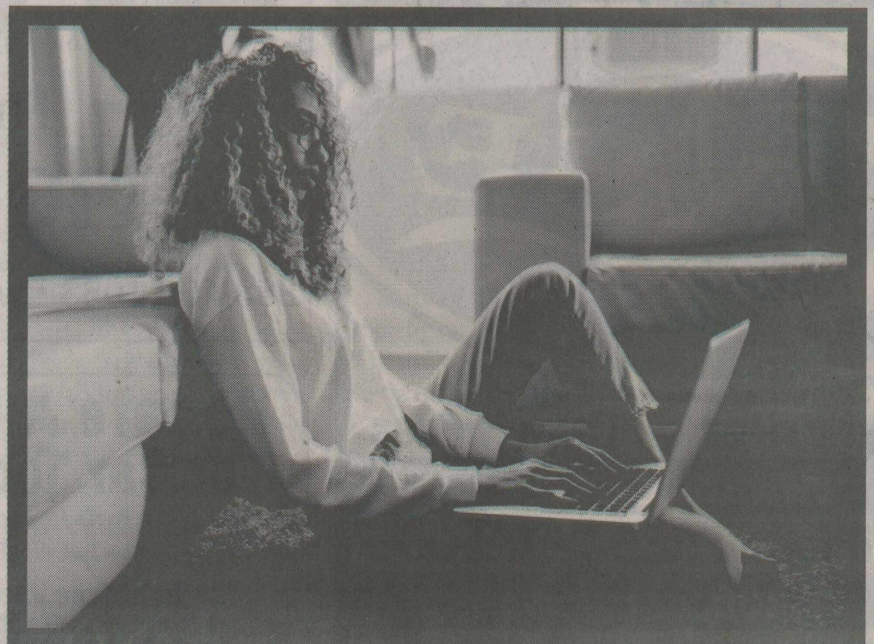
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