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## Early voting ends Friday

### Health protocols in place to keep voters safe

By Teresa Bigham  
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY – Elections officials continue to adhere to health safety protocols during the last days of early voting, which ends Friday, and will have specific plans in place for voters who cast ballots on Election Day, Tuesday, July 14.

According to Floyd County Clerk Ginger Morgan, voters will need to follow certain protocols when they show up to vote in the primary run-off election.

Morgan said she wants voters, when feasible, to maintain at least six feet separation from other individuals at the polling location. In addition, other measures such as hand hygiene, cough etiquette, cleanliness and sanitation should be practiced.

Morgan also encourages voters to self-screen for COVID-19 symptoms before showing up at any of the polling sites. She said symptoms may include any combination of a cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, diarrhea, feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or

equal to 100 degrees and known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19.

Anyone who exhibits any of these symptoms may want to consider utilizing curbside voting. These voters should contact their county election office with questions about the process and requirements, she said.

Sanitized styluses are provided for the voters use throughout the voting process and will be sanitized after each voter use.

Hand sanitizer is provided when entering a polling place. Election workers will wear face masks and gloves when interacting with voters.

Morgan suggests voters wear cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth) when entering the polling place but are not required. If voters wish to wear one, one will be provided when requested.

If an election judge is not able to determine the identity of a voter wearing a face covering, the voter should be prepared to lower or remove the face covering when checking in, Morgan said.

If a voter contracts COVID-19 – or other conditions that prevents the voter

from appearing without the need of a personal assistance or of injuring the voter's health – the voter should contact the county election officer for more details about submitting an Application for Emergency Early Voting Ballot Due to Sickness or Physical Disability.

In addition, Morgan wants individuals aged 65 or older to know they are at a higher risk of contracting COVID-19. Therefore, she suggests these voters consider curbside voting or Application for Mailout Ballot.

On the Republican ballot, Ronny Jackson and Josh Winegarner are running for U.S. Representative, District 13. Larry Doss and Steven Denny are running for Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District, Place 4, Unexpired Term.

On the Democratic ballot, Royce West and Mary "MJ" Hegar are running for U.S. Senator. Gus Trujillo and Greg Sagan are running for U.S. Representative, District 13. Chrysta Castaneda and Robert R. "Beto" Alonzo are running for Railroad Commissioner.

Early voting polls are open 8 a.m. until 6 p.m., through Friday, July 10, at the Courthouse Annex located at 110 S. Wall



Early voting in the primary elections run-off continues through Friday, July 10. In Floyd County, early voting locations are the Floyd County Courthouse Annex (110 S. Wall) and First United Methodist Church in Lockney located at 102 Poplar. Hours open are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Barbara Anderson)

and at the First United Methodist Church in Lockney located at 102 W. Poplar.

On Election Day, polling locations for Floyd County in Precincts 1, 9, 18, 24, 24B are:

- County Courthouse Annex – 110 S. Wall
- First United Methodist Church – 102 Poplar St., Lockney Election Day voting hours are from 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.

## 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 banderson@lknewsgroup.com.

### CHARLES TYER MEMORIAL SERVICES

Due to the spike in the coronavirus cases the memorial service for the late Charles Tyer of Floydada has been changed to 2 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 5 at First United Methodist Church of Floydada.

### FARMER'S MARKET FLOYDADA

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce is now accepting vendors for the 2020 Farmer's Market. To be a vendor, please call (806)983-3434 or email manager@floydadachamber.com. Becoming a vendor is FREE!

### TEXAS TECH CREDIT UNION

The Texas Tech Credit Union FCS Branch (230 W. California Street) will have a Grand Reopening from 4-6 p.m. on Thursday, July 30. There will be food, drinks and door prizes.

### FLOYDADA EX-STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

The Floydada Ex-Students Association has announced that Homecoming 2020 is back on the calendar for September 4-5, 2020. The Homecoming activities will be held at the new Secondary School located at the 700 Block of Jackson. The old high school will still be standing, but demolition will follow shortly after Homecoming Weekend.

### LIGHT THE CROSS MEMORIAL DONATIONS

"Light the Cross" Memorial prints are available from lantha Smith or Karen Houchin Law Office. Prints start at \$20 each. Help keep the cross lit in Blanco Canyon by making memorial donations or purchasing a print. Donations may be made at First National Bank in Floydada or by mailing the donations to: lantha Smith, P.O. Box 143, Floydada, TX 79235.

## Man discovers career sitting in a barber's chair

By Yelena Serrato  
The Hesperian-Beacon

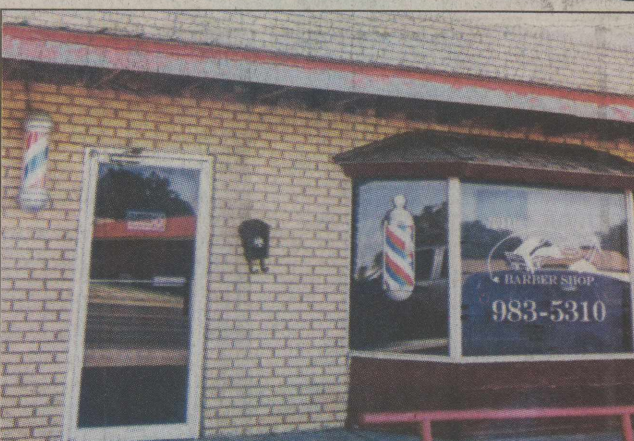
FLOYDADA—Anthony Garza's dream job came to him while he sat looking at his reflection in a barber-shop mirror.

"I was actually getting a haircut, sitting in a barber-shop, when I thought it was a pretty cool environment," Garza said. "The barbers were able to make their own schedules and dress how they wanted. You hear different conversations in a barbershop, a little bit of everything"

Garza, the son of Nora and Albert Garza, graduated from Lubbock Hair Academy in 2013 and returned to Floydada to open his own business, The Barbershop."

Garza works to create a comfortable, safe and engaging atmosphere in his shop.

"I want people to feel like they can just drop off their kids and get a haircut," Garza said. "I enjoy having conversations with different



The Barbershop is located on 2nd Street, next to Ray Ray's. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Yelena Serrato)

people and hearing everyone's story. I like to talk a lot, so I think I picked the perfect job for it as well" he said, laughing.

Garza said this career is not something he only enjoys but one he hopes he can do for a very long time.

"I'm trying to be here as long as Rudy was" he said, adding Rudy is a barber Garza has looked up to in his industry.

Looking ahead, Garza said he would like to add at

least two other barbers and operate in a bigger shop, which will create a future that will not only help him expand his network of clientele but also provide more jobs for the people in the community.

As a small business owner, the pandemic was a setback, but Garza found a solution which has enabled him to operate during the difficult times.

"I am locking the door and only allowing one customer in at a time to keep it safe for everybody" he said.

For now, Garza encourages his customers to wear face masks during their appointment, adding he prioritizes the safety of his customers.

Garza said he works hard to provide excellence service in a welcoming atmosphere. To schedule an appointment with Anthony Garza, call 806-983-5310.



Anthony Garza cuts a customer's hair while adhering to COVID-19 regulations by having one person in his barbershop at a time. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Yelena Serrato)

## Shop Local Fiesta



By Yelena Serrato  
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA—Floyd County residents can earn Chamber bucks just by shopping local during the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce's Shop Local Fiesta on Thursday, July 16. The Chamber of Commerce and Chamber Man-

ager Kortney DeBock have planned the "Shop Local Fiesta," as an incentive to encourage residents to shop local, which in turn helps the small business owners.

"Our local businesses have taken a hit this spring due to the shutdown from COVID-19 restrictions," Chamber Manger Kortney DeBock said. See LOCAL, Page 8



He was once on the chair now he's the one holding the clippers. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Yelena Serrato)

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## New deputy sheriff Martinez: I am here to serve

By Teresa Bigham  
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY – Vivian Martinez said she believes in strong relationships centered around family, community and friends and wants to bring those values to her new job as Floyd County's newest deputy sheriff.

"I live in Floydada now; this is my home," Martinez said. "I am here to serve the community with my whole heart."

Martinez is May 29 graduate from the Law Enforcement Academy at South Plains College in Levelland where her favorite class was the firearms class.

As the youngest of three, brother Isaac and sister Alison, Martinez said she is close to all of her family.

"I have two nephews that are the light of my life," Martinez said. "My oldest nephew is 2-year-old Sawyer. That is my sister's son. My brother has a 6-month-old son named Eli."

Martinez graduated from high school in 2015 in the same town she was born and reared, Levelland, also where her mom and dad both pastor at the Sinai Worship Center.

"I want my parents to know that I love them very much and they raised me right and I will make them proud," Martinez said. "It's hard being away from my family, but this community has really made me feel at home."

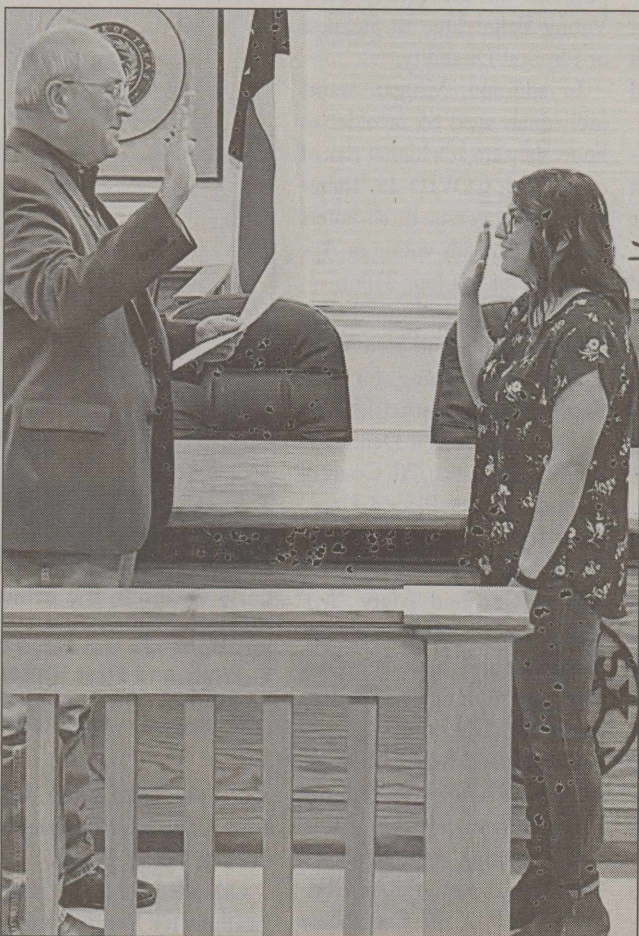
Martinez applied for a position with the Floyd County Sheriff's Department three days after graduation and was sworn in on June 12.

In her spare time, Martinez enjoys working out in the gym, going mudding and cooking. She also has a passion for comic books of all kinds.

Besides missing her family, Martinez also said she misses her best friend from high school, Samantha Escobar.



Vivian Martinez, a new deputy sheriff in Floyd County. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)



Judge Marty Lucke swears in Officer Vivian Martinez on June 12. (Courtesy photo)

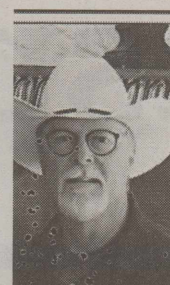
"I want her to know that she means the world to me and I cherish our friendship immensely," Martinez said. "I want her to know how thankful I am that she believed in me. She stuck by my side, and I love her 3,000."

Martinez said she is ready to be part of the Floyd County communi-

ty and even will work with the youth to encourage them.

"If I could give the youth of this community a piece of advice," she said, "I would want them to know if they want something and have their eyes set on a goal, to never give up. Work hard and keep trying. You'll get it."

## Between the lines The civilizing influence of women



BRUCE W. GREEN

I have done a lot of thinking through the years about the calming – the civilizing – influence of a woman on a man.

In a marriage it happens slowly, almost imperceptibly, but relentlessly over the passage of years.

It's the only way it would work with us men. It has to happen slowly and naturally, kind of like the decline of the value of a dollar.

One day, without even thinking, a man comes to the dinner table, chews with his mouth closed and his elbows off the table, just like he thought of it himself. But he didn't. It came from his mother, or his wife, or both.

Before I met my future wife, the only civilizing effects in my life came from my sister. She was a decade older when I came along and from the beginning was more mother than sister to me.

It was my sister who pounded into me the fact that a gentleman always opens the door for a lady, and that when walking on a sidewalk a gentleman always takes the outer edge – so a really bad driver will hit him first.

Without further explanation, this somehow made sense to me. I didn't have to give it further thought. Walking next to the curb when with a young lady gave concrete expression to a tendency embedded in my nature.

Men are by nature inclined to protect, but that natural predisposition can come with a gritty, sometimes even harsh, edge. It takes the civilizing influence of a woman to soften the edge so it can be channeled by reason instead of fury.

The civilizing effect of a woman can also calm and steady a man's natural inclination to risk and adventure. He needs these inclinations to be a protector, but they must be tempered so they can find concrete expression in fatherhood and the protection of a home and family.

If this doesn't happen, a man can end stuck in a hopeless state of perpetual adolescence – a wandering and irresponsible adventurer, or mercenary, instead of a protector of home, family and country.

Several years ago, I got the bright idea that I would run from one side of the Grand Canyon to the other and back again. My wife quietly reminded me of all the little grandchildren. I heard her – sort of.

To make a long story short, I ended up deep in the bowels of the Grand Canyon late at night, solo and ramblingly sick from heat exposure.

All I could think about as I made my way out of that canyon was, "if something happens and my wife has to pay \$10,000 for a helicopter to get me out of here, she is going to kill me."

The first thing I did when I got out of the canyon, cleaned myself up and recaptured my wits, was to call my wife back in Texas and tell her there would be no more solo runs in the Grand Canyon.

Admittedly, at my age I ought to be pretty calmed and civilized by now, but some men are just slower to develop than others.

I might have, on occasion over the years, resisted my wife's civilizing influences. I have always thought I would draw the line at any attempt to get me to wear pajamas.

I have rehearsed my response. I am going to tell my wife that cowboys don't sleep in pajamas, especially the ones that have animals and such on them.

And I don't think I'll ever be civilized enough to make small talk at political fundraisers or cocktail parties. But, no doubt due to my wife's influence, I have learned to smile politely and feign interest in such situations.

It took me years to understand what my wife tried to tell me about appearing distant and unapproachable.

I think it was hard to believe because I genuinely like people and didn't see myself as I apparently appear. But I eventually got her point and I am trying. I am really trying.

I guess my point in all this is that I am frequently amazed at the importance of women in the formation of good men.

We quite naturally recognize the human attractions between men and women, but we too often stop there. As fine as those attractions are, it's the subtle complementarity that I find most interesting. The order of it all.

It's almost as if we were intelligently designed to be that way – that, in some transcendent way, we are better together than we ever could be alone.

But, all that aside, civilized or not, I am not sleeping in pajamas, I am not quitting my occasional cigar, and I am never, ever going to learn to like boiled okra. Email Green at bgreen@lknews-group.com.

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## Corrections

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## Letter to the editor

Dear Editor:

To the voters of Floyd County,

If you're like me, it's hard to keep up with every election and research every candidate. But this year's congressional race is different. As many of you may know, I'm a cotton and grain producer in Lockney, and I've lived here all of my life. I personally know one of the candidates, Josh Winegarner, who is in the race.

Josh grew up in Spearman and has lived in Amarillo and Canyon for the past 14 years. I am proud to vote for Josh because I want to send one of our own to Washington D.C. to stand up for the issues that are important to the Texas Panhandle. Josh spent time working for two Texas Senators in D.C. He understands how to get things done, but more importantly, he is an expert in defending Texas farmers and ranchers.

I have no doubt that Josh will stand true to the Republican values he was raised on. He will help President Trump build the wall and ensure our borders are secure, continue to protect Texas agriculture, support our oil and gas industry, and stand up for the unborn.

This year's race is different because Josh's opponent only moved to the district at the last minute to run for office. Our representative should know who we are and the issues that affect us.

Josh has built a life here and knows the constituents because he is one of us.

I hope you will join me in supporting Josh.

Martin Stoerner  
Lockney, Texas

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## Floyd County COVID-19 report

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY – The active cases of COVID-19 has increased by 15, according to Floyd County officials.

There were also two recoveries and one hos-

pitalization.

As of Friday, July 3, there were 37 total reported cases with 18 cases reported as fully recovered and 19 active cases with one hospitalization reported first as quarantined/not hospitalized.

- CASE #37: LOCKNEY - Male 40-49 year of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #36: LOCKNEY - Male 20-29 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #35: LOCKNEY - Female 40-49 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #34: FLOYDADA - Female 40-49 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #33: LOCKNEY - Male 20-29 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #32: LOCKNEY - Female 20-29 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #31: FLOYDADA - Female 80-89 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #30: LOCKNEY - Female 4 months old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #29: FLOYDADA - Male 10-19 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #28: LOCKNEY - Female 20-29 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #27: LOCKNEY - Male 50-59 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #26: LOCKNEY - Male 20-29 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #25: LOCKNEY - Male 30-39 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #24: FLOYDADA - Female 30-39 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #23: FLOYDADA - Male 50-59 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #22: LOCKNEY - Male - 2 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #21: LOCKNEY - Female - 20-29 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #20: LOCKNEY - Male 40-49 years old. Quarantined. Hospitalized.
- CASE #19: LOCKNEY - Female 40-49 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #18: LOCKNEY - Male 80-89 years old. Quarantined. Unknown if hospitalized at this time.
- CASE #17: FLOYDADA - Female 40-49 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #16: LOCKNEY - Male 31-35 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #15: FLOYDADA - Female under 5 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #14: FLOYDADA - Female under 10 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #13: FLOYDADA - Female 32 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #12: FLOYDADA - Male 31-40 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #11: FLOYDADA - Male 41-50 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #10: FLOYDADA - Female 11-18 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #9: FLOYDADA - Male 61-70 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #8: LOCKNEY - Female 31-40 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #7: FLOYDADA - Youth Age 14. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #6: FLOYDADA - Youth Age 16. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #5: FLOYDADA - Female 61-70 years old. Hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #4: LOCKNEY - Female 51-60 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Exposure: work-related in the health-care industry. Recovered.
- CASE #3: LOCKNEY - Male 40-46 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Back to work. Negative test confirmed. Recovered.
- CASE #2: FLOYDADA - Female 29 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered with Negative test confirmed. Back to work.
- CASE #1: LOCKNEY - Female 65 years old. Travel related. Self-quarantined/Not hospitalized. Recovered with Negative test confirmed. Back to work.

# SOCIETY

## Chamber Business of the Month



**Congratulations to Floydada EMS for being named the Floydada Chamber's Business of the Month for June.** Chamber officials said the EMS staff works hard all year-round, but this spring has been especially challenging. Let them know how much they are appreciated for all they do to keep the community safe. The Floydada EMS staff includes Katrina Gooch, Mike Reeves, David Hughes, Placido Gonzales, Marty Medellin, Sheryl Back, Lyndall Stapp, Estelle Luna, Tina Brooks, Trey Meyers, Able Luna, Larron Little, Meagan Vasquez, and Cathy Webster. (Courtesy Photo)

## 1956 Study Club installs officers

**By Terry Jackson**

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

During the final meeting of the 2019-2020 season, the 1956 Study Club installed next year's officers and shared thank you notes from scholarship recipients Emily Cisneros and Izel Pacheco.

The meeting, held on June 9, at the home of president, Judy Dunlap, in her beautiful backyard, sharing a buffet of flavored waters, banana, and chia seed puddings.

Roll call: Members were asked to give suggestions for

next year's programs.

The 14 members attending were Sheryl Back, Rhonda Guthrie, Linda Harbin, Teri Bush, Sherry Hacker, Snow Payne, Terry Jackson, Sheree Cannon, Judy Dunlap, Linda Matsler, Janet Lloyd, Charline Hendrix, Judy Schacht and Trena Simpson.

Two guests in attendance were Emma Pate and Tommie Covington.

Secretary Terry Jackson read the minutes from the March meeting.

Treasurer Snow Payne gave an updated report of the bank

balance, \$2,383.30.

Judy Dunlap led the installation of officers.

Next year's officers will be President Sherry Hacker, Vice-President Snow Payne, Secretary Janet Lloyd, Treasurer Linda Harbin, Reporter Terry Jackson and Sunshine Girl Sheryl Back.

A suggestion was made that next year, bring a can food item to each meeting and it will be donated to Spirit of Sharing in Floydada.

Snow Payne led the group in the Collect to close our meeting.

## Recipe of the Week

**By Teresa Bigham**

The Hesperian-Beacon

Renee Weeks shares her recipe for hamburger mean with jalapenos and onions this week. Born and raised in Floydada, she is the daughter of Velma Windom Donell Weeks. She graduated from FHS in 1984.

Family is extremely important to Weeks, and she said spends every minute she can with them. She has four sisters and two brothers and is the mother of two boys.

Weeks has been dedicated to her employer, Walmart for almost 23 years.

"I have worked there for many years, and I love it. I look forward to another 23 plus years," Weeks said.

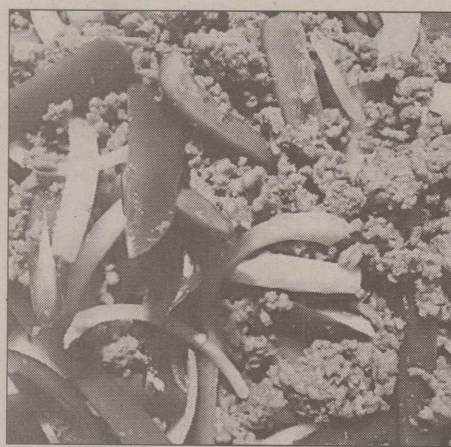
When she isn't working, she said she enjoys baking chocolate chip cookies, peanut butter cookies, old fashion tea cakes as well as cross stitching, reading and going to the casinos.

"What I like about living in Floyd County is it's peaceful and it's home. I know everyone thinks there's nothing here, but I like it. Some



of the best friends I've known I met right here in Floydada," Weeks said.

"The recipe I am sharing with everyone isn't any thing fancy or special, it's just a favorite one to me and my family. It's hamburger meat with jalapenos and onions, and I hope everyone likes it," she said.



### Hamburger meat with jalapenos and onions

Brown hamburger meat and season with garlic and parsley and lemon pepper. While that's cooking, slice up about seven or eight jalapenos and half an onion.

Add both to your hamburger and allow it to simmer. Pour about 1/2 cup of water and simmer a little while longer.

"I usually make cornbread to go along but sometimes I heat up refried beans and a flour tortilla and make a burrito. Either way I think it's delicious. Adding a can of Rotel will give it some color but that's optional. That's pretty much it," Weeks said.

## Lockney Senior Citizens News

**By Renee Armstrong**

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY- The Center serves lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday, by curbside pickup, drive through or delivery. Anyone

wanting lunch can call the Center by 9:30 a.m. daily.

Fish Fry and the Saturday Night Supper will be served curbside pickup, drive through and delivery.

At this point, Thursday night potluck/game night is

canceled until further notice.

The center's staff appreciates everyone and said they can't wait to see everyone again.

For questions, contact the center at 652-2745. Stay safe.

## Floydada Senior Citizens News

**By LuAnn Collins**

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - The Center is now open for dining-in. Take-outs and deliveries are still available. Call 806-983-2032.

The center is in need of five more deliveries or take-outs per day. The staff is doing its best to stay open to deliver to those who cannot leave their homes. Everyone is still eating, even if self-quarantined. So, please order a meal to be delivered or come by for a take-out.

The prices of our meals are \$6 for members and \$7 for non-members. Anyone who is breathing is eligible to eat with us or right now for a carry out or delivery.

The center also needs a volunteer delivery driver for one day or more. Drivers receive a delicious meal as payment for their time. The driver will report to the Center at 11:15 a.m.

The deliveries take about 30 minutes.

Remember, Tuesday meals are \$4 meals. Check the menu to see what is offered each Tuesday.

Call 983-2032 for home delivery by 11 am. Delivery drivers begin delivering at 11:30 a.m.

The 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.

### MENU

July 13 - July 17

**Monday** - Pork chops w/baked beans

**Tuesday** - Frito pie - \$4

**Wednesday** - Smothered burrito

**Thursday** - Chicken fried steak

**Friday** - BBQ on bun

(Menu subject to change-without notice)

## Local Girl Scouts donate to SOS



Courtesy Photo

**By Teresa Bigham**

The Hesperian-Beacon

Members of the Girl Scouts on Floydada donate canned food to the Spirit of Sharing. The food was purchased with the money they earned from the Girl Scout

cookie sales.

Girl Scouts, front row, from left Ta'Kyria Briley and Ella Snowden. Middle row, from left, Taniah Briley, Zaybree Back, Mallory Wilhelm, Mia Snowden, Addison Hinson and Emily Williams. Back row, Sierra Snowden.

The Spirit of Sharing (SOS)

is located behind the Floydada Senior Citizens building. SOS helps anyone out that needs a helping hand. The SOS is a non-profit organization that opened in 1983 and is open 2 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., Mondays and Thursdays.

## July is National Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Month

**By Teresa Bigham**

The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY - An estimated 300,000 children in the United States have a form of arthritis.

According to the National Arthritis Foundation, some children have arthritis for just a few months while other children suffer with for several years. In rare cases, the condition can last a lifetime.

The exact number of JIA, Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis, is unknown. Most cases of JIA are mild, but severe cases may result in complications, such as joint damage and chronic pain, according to the foundation's website.

Some of the symptoms of JIA are joint pain, stiffness, reduced range of motion, warm and swollen joints, redness in the affected area, swollen lymph nodes and fevers.

Knowing the symptoms of JIA is important for getting treatment before the condition progresses. Treatment usually consists of decreasing inflammation, managing pain, improving function, and preventing joint pain, according to Mayo Clinic.

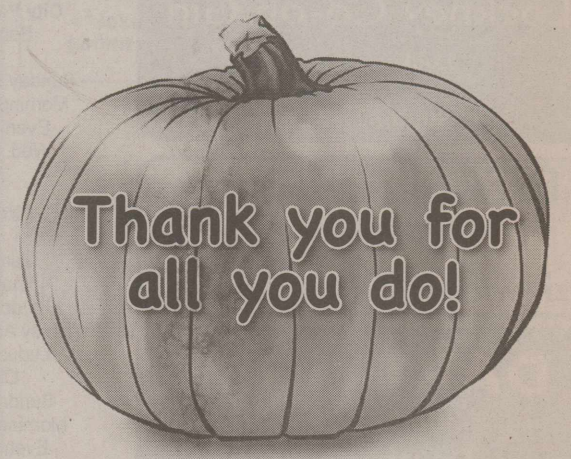
A child's healthcare provider may be able to diagnose JIA by performing a thorough physical exam and requesting a detailed medical history. The healthcare provider also may order various tests including a C-reactive protein test. This test measures the amount of C-reactive protein in the blood.

According to the Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis Foundation, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs such as Advil and Aleve are often used to reduce inflammation and swelling in conjunction with other treatments. Using aspirin is rare because of the potential adverse side effects in children.

A Rheumatoid factor test is another one a healthcare provider may order. This test detects the presence of rheumatoid factor, an anti-

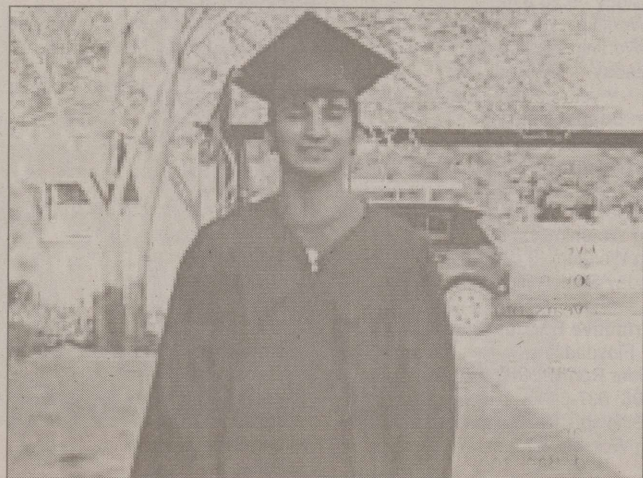
body produced by the immune system. X-rays or an MRI scan is another method healthcare providers may use to diagnose JIA.

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## Luna earns welding certificate

Elias Luna recently earned a welding certificate from South Plains College. An 2019 Floydada High School graduate, Elias is the son of Francisco Luna and Leticia Luna. Elias is currently employees at the Co-Op Gin in Floydada. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)



# CHURCHES

## THE FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM MEMORIES 1979 THE LEWIS K. SHERMANS

I, Elfie Meriwether Sherman was born January 23, 1911. After graduating from Lockney High School in 1929, I attended Lippert's Business College in Plainview, Texas, for several months. In the fall of 1930, I went to California for the winter with my family. There I attended Marinello Beauty School. After returning to Lockney, I found work was hard to get, so Loretta Dagle and I traveled and gave permanents and did other beauty work in different locations. We were in Haskell, Texas during the summer of 1931, and that is where I met Lewis Kinsey (Shorty) Sherman. He was employed at

the Haskell National Bank at that time. L.K. was born in Knox City, Texas, August 8, 1907, but finished high school in Haskell, where he made his home with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lee Ferguson.

We were married October 31, 1931, and our first home was a three-room furnished apartment that rented for \$15.00 a month. Shorty's salary was \$150.00 per month, but during our first year of married life, the Depression was on, and his salary was reduced three or four times. In order to make extra money, he inspected collateral for the bank and cowboied on the side.

Our daughter, Billie Gayle, was born November 18, 1933, in Knox City, Texas, as there was no hospital at Haskell. William Kinsey (Bill) was born June 14, 1935. I remember that Shorty sold a favorite horse for \$45.00 in order to pay the hospital bill when Gayle was born.

Right away I opened a beauty shop in Haskell to help out with living expenses. Shampoo and hair sets were given for fifty and seventy-five cents. But in comparison, good beef steak could be purchased for fifteen cents per pound.

In 1938 we moved to a ranch between Cisco and Breckenridge, then in 1940

we moved to Plainview, Texas, and Shorty worked in the Hale County State Bank as head of the book-keeping department. I worked in the Hilton Beauty Shop. During World War II I looked after the Meriwether estate and collected farm rentals until my brothers could come home to take care of the farms.

In 1948 we moved to our farm seven miles southwest of Lockney. On July 24, 1948, Thomas Joe was

born. In 1953, I started working for Lockney General Hospital as collector of past due accounts. After two months, I was offered the position of administrator. Dr. W. J. Mangold was negotiating with the board of directors to purchase the hospital at that time. In February, 1954, the transaction was completed with Dr. Mangold as owner. I was employed there for twenty-two years. In 1956, we purchased a

home in Lockney on West Locust Street and L.K. (Shorty) went to work for Lockney Cooperatives. Shorty became ill in 1972 and passed away November 4, 1974. I still reside at the above address, after retiring from the hospital October 1, 1975. I could not see myself in a rocking chair so I opened an art studio, where classes are taught and art supplies are sold. This keeps me busy and is a very enjoyable hobby.

## Seven tips for cleaning fruits, vegetables

By Nancy McDonald  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

How many hands have touched the items on the produce aisle? Sneezed or coughed? It is more important than ever to wash fruits and vegetable before eating them. The Food and Drug Administration shares seven tips that might help keep families healthier.

Federal health officials estimate that nearly 48 million people are sickened by food contaminated with harmful germs each year, and some of the causes might be surprising.

Although most people know animal products must be handled carefully to prevent illness, produce, too, can be the culprit in outbreaks of foodborne illness. In recent years, the United States has had several large outbreaks of illness caused by contaminated fruits and vegetables—including spinach, cantaloupe, tomatoes, and lettuce.

Glenda Lewis, an expert on foodborne illness with the Food and Drug Administration, says fresh produce can become contaminated in many ways. During the growing phase, produce may be contaminated by animals, harmful substances in the soil or water, and poor hygiene among workers. After produce is harvested, it passes through many hands, increasing the contamination risk.

Contamination can even occur after the produce has been purchased, during food preparation, or through inadequate storage.

If possible, FDA says to choose produce that isn't bruised or damaged, and make sure that pre-cut items—such as bags of lettuce or watermelon slices—are either refrigerated or on ice both in the store and at home. In addition, follow these recommendations:

- Wash hands for 20 seconds with warm water and soap before and after preparing fresh produce.
- If damage or bruising occurs before eating or handling, cut away the damaged or bruised areas before preparing or eating.
- Rinse produce BEFORE peeling it, so dirt and bacteria aren't transferred from the knife onto the fruit or vegetable.
- Gently rub produce while holding under plain running water. There's no need to use soap or a produce wash.
- Use a clean vegetable brush to scrub firm produce, such as melons and cucumbers.
- Dry produce with a clean cloth or paper towel to further reduce bacteria that may be present.
- Remove the outermost leaves of a head of lettuce or cabbage.

Lewis says consumers should store perishable produce in the refrigerator at or below 40 degrees.

## Daily Dining Dilemmas

TIPS FOR MINDFUL EATING IN THE MIDST OF TODAY'S CHAOS

### Snacking Tips for Kids

1. Don't Keep Junk Food in the House-They can't ask for cookies and chips if there are none.
2. Power Up with Protein-keep hard-boiled eggs, deli meat, and cooked chicken tenders.
3. Go For the Grain-Whole grain foods provide energy with some staying power-try whole grain bread with a slice of cheese.
4. Broaden the Menu-Offer a rainbow of fruits/veggies & let the kids choose of few pieces to mix together for a colorful snack.
5. Revisit Breakfast foods as an afternoon snack-dry cereal mixed with fruits and nuts.
6. Sweeten it Up-Satisfy your child's sweet tooth with frozen fruit bars
7. Have Fun with Food-Cut whole wheat bread and cheese with cookie cutters. Skewer fruit kabobs to dip in yogurt dressing.
8. Promote Independence-Keep ready to eat veggies in the fridge. Keep fresh fruit in a bowl
9. Don't be fooled by labeling Gimmicks-Check nutrition labels instead of reaching for items labeled low-fat or fat-free that may be packed with calories and sodium.
10. Designate a snacking zone-Only allow snacking in certain areas, and avoid serving snacks during screen time to avoid mindless munching.

Adapted by Kathy Carr,

Family & Community Health Agent, Bailey County

Source: mayoclinic.org



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# CHURCH DIRECTORY

## Taking Out the Trash

Do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. —Romans 6:12 (NIV)

Working in the unforgiving heat of the day during our environmental cleanup campaign, approximately 70 people showed up to clean a very contaminated mangrove swamp. When we took a short break, I asked Nicolás, a young man on our team, how this experience had been for him. "At first it was just gross," he replied. "But as I got used to the smell and surroundings, I was able to pick up even the most disgusting things. In a way, this rubbish around us is like the sin in my heart."

His comment reminded me of how easily we become accustomed to our own sin or wrongdoing. When sin or wrongdoing make us uncomfortable,

we are disgusted. However, doing nothing about it seems to lessen its impact on our conscience. In the end, we become accustomed to living with it or spend the rest of our lives complaining about it — convinced that we cannot confront it. The assessment Nicolás gave is a clear reminder that it is time to take out the trash and clutter from our hearts and to seek refuge in Christ, who can redeem us from sin and refresh our spirits.

—Perla Iveth Murillo Zapata (Colombia)

### TODAY'S PRAYER

God, our maker and friend, create in us a clean spirit and a willingness to attune our hearts to live in the light of your truth. Amen.

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Morning Worship - 10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.  
Wednesday - 7 p.m.

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Floydada  
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Wednesday Evening - 7 p.m.

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Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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Lockney  
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
Afternoon Worship - 1:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m.

**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.

**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.

**First Baptist Church**  
Lockney  
Joseph Tillery, Pastor  
Ron Kuykendall - Worship Leader  
Chad Cook, Youth Min.  
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.  
Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.

**First United Methodist Church**  
Floydada  
Gary Bolés, Pastor  
Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School - 10:50 a.m.  
Youth (Sunday) - 6:30 p.m.

**First United Methodist Church**  
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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.

**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.

**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.

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Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.  
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Sunday Bible - 10 a.m.  
Morning Praise - 11 a.m.  
Evening Praise 5 - p.m.  
Wed Worship - 7 p.m.

**Power of Praise Full Gospel Church**  
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Sunday Services - 10 a.m.  
Sunday Evening - 5 p.m.  
Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

**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.

**Primera Iglesia Bautista**  
Floydada  
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.

**San Jose Catholic Church**  
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Sun - 9 a.m. Mass  
Mon - 9:30 a.m. Mass  
Thurs. - 5:30 Evening Mass

**South Plains Baptist Church**  
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Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

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Spanish - 11 a.m.  
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Spanish - 9:30 a.m.  
English - 11 a.m.  
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Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service - 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.  
Wed. Meeting - 7 p.m.

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Wed Service - 7 p.m.

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Wednesday Service - 7:00 P.M.

**Trinity Assembly**  
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Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Evening - 6 p.m.

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# AGRICULTURE

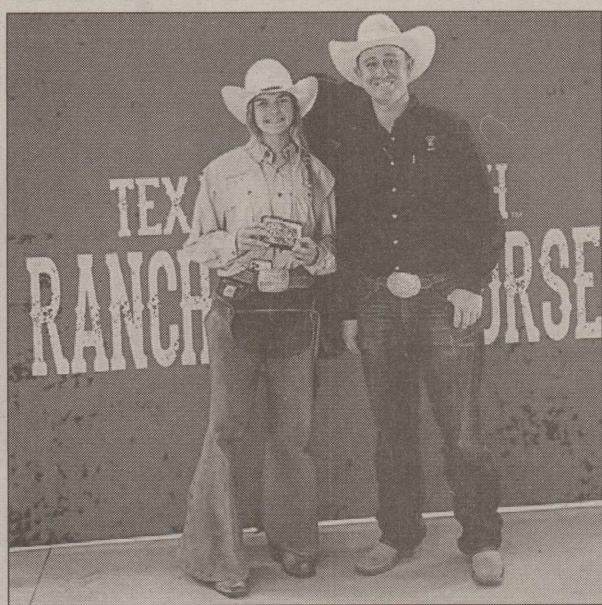
## Floyd County "4-H Spotlight"

**By Teresa Bigham**  
The Hesperian-Beacon

**FLOYD COUNTY** –Preslie Brooks is extremely passionate about farm life and competing in the 4-H horse project.

During the Cow Country Classic in Childress, she walked away with All Around Champion. The picture shows the shiny new buckle she won.

She has been involved in 4-H for five years, and during those five years she has held many club officer positions and helped in many day camps. She takes part in the horse project, education presentation program and photography.



Preslie Brooks shows the buckle she won during the Cow Country Classic in Childress, Texas.

The daughter of Jeremiah and Cristen Brooks, she enjoys photography and has earned many first place ribbons with her photography projects.

## USDA announces flexibilities for producers filing 'Notice of Loss'

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

WASHINGTON, D.C., July 2, 2020 – The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is providing additional flexibilities for producers to file on acres with failed crops or crops that were prevented from planting because of extreme weather events. USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) is adding these flexibilities for Notice of Loss on both insured and uninsured crops to enable Service Centers to best assist producers.

"With many program deadlines approaching, our Service Centers are working hard to accommodate as many producer appointments as possible," said FSA Administrator Richard Fordyce. "By providing flexibilities to our Notice of Loss policy, we can ensure we provide the best customer service."

Filing for Prevented Planted Acres

For insured crops, producers who timely filed a prevented planted claim with the reinsurance company but

filed a Notice of Loss (CCC-576) form after the deadline will be considered timely filed for FSA purposes. FSA can use data from the Risk Management Agency (RMA) for accepting the report of prevented planting with FSA. If the information is not available through RMA, the producer may also provide proper evidence to FSA that the prevented planted claim was timely filed with the reinsurance company.

For uninsured crops, producers may start a Notice of Loss (CCC-576) by calling their FSA county office, or they may print and complete the Notice of Loss (CCC 576) form from home and send to their county office. For prevented planted acreage, Notice of Loss forms mailed to the FSA office must be postmarked by the final acreage reporting date in the county to be considered timely filed. For all prevented planted cases, the Report of Acreage (FSA-578) form and the completed and signed Notice of Loss (CCC-576)

must be filed by the applicable acreage reporting date.

Filing for Failed Acres  
For failed acreage of uninsured crops, the Notice of Loss (CCC-576) must be completed, signed and verified before the disposition of the crop. Producers may start a Notice of Loss (CCC-576) by calling their FSA county office, or they may print and complete the Notice of Loss (CCC 576) form from home and send to their county office.

When to File a 'Notice of Loss'

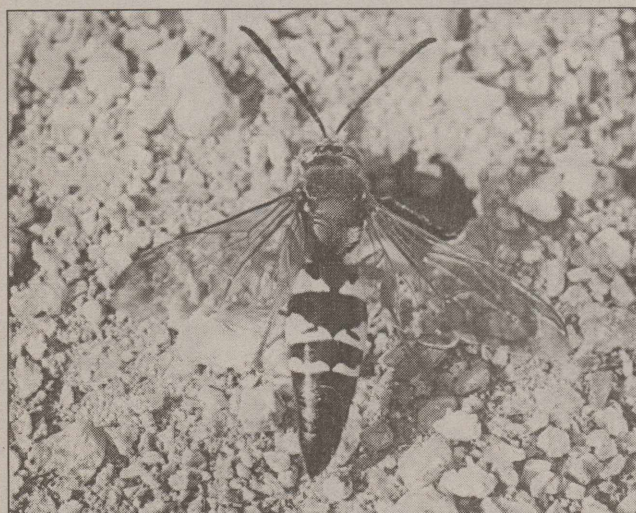
A Notice of Loss cannot be filed for a crop before the final planting date, but it can be filed before completing the crop acreage report.

More Information

Producers who miss FSA's July 15 acreage reporting deadline will not face a late filing fee if filed within a month of the deadline.

For questions, please contact your FSA county office. To locate your FSA county office at your Service Center, visit farmers.gov/service-center-locator.

## It's big, but it's not a 'murder hornet'



A cicada killer wasp and burrow. These are being confused for Asian giant hornets. (Texas A&M AgriLife photo by Dr. Pat Porter)

**Kay Ledbetter**

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Since the release of information about Asian giant hornets, Texas A&M AgriLife entomologists are being inundated with cicada killers and other lookalike insects submitted for identification as a possible "murder hornet," which thus far has only been found in Washington State in the U.S.

Many insects are being

mistaken for the Asian giant hornet.

While the agency wants to continue to encourage Texans to be vigilant in watching for the Asian giant hornet, they also want to help provide guidance that will help narrow the focus.

David Ragsdale, Ph.D., chief scientific officer and associate director of Texas A&M AgriLife Research, and professor in the Department of Entomology, said

many photos of Texas native cicada killers, or ground hornets, are being submitted as suspected Asian giant hornets. He said their website receives five to 10 photos a day, and agency pest management agents and specialists around the state have also been handling inquiries.

**It's a bird, it's a plane ... it's a cicada killer**

In May, the concern about Asian giant hornet was enough to prompt Gov. Greg Abbott to request a task force be mobilized to prepare Texas against the Asian giant hornet's arrival.

But June is the normal month for the cicada killer wasp, a common large wasp in Texas, to start showing up and this prompted posts on Facebook and in news feeds mistakenly reporting cicada killer wasps as sightings of the Asian giant hornet.

"Most everyone has seen the cicada killer wasp that is very large but has mostly been ignored in the past," Ragsdale said. "With the most recent news of the



Asian giant hornet, they are now paying attention to the native Texas insect."

While some people thought they had been seeing the newly pictured murder hornets for years, AgriLife Extension experts want to clarify, "No, you haven't." Now they are providing outlets to help tell the difference between the Asian giant hornet and similar looking pests.

Holly Davis, Ph.D., Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service entomologist in Weslaco, and Pat Porter, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension entomologist in Lubbock, recently developed a short video explaining the differences between the "murder hornet" and several common lookalikes here in Texas.

"To date, we have iden-

tified hundreds of insects that people in Texas suspect might be Asian giant hornets (murder hornets)," Porter said. "Eighty percent of these have been either the eastern cicada killer or western cicada killer. It is understandable how non-entomologists would have trouble deciding which was which."

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# SCHOOL NEWS

## Trevino receives softball honors



Erin Trevino, a Floydada High School sophomore, was named to the 2019-2020 Softball Academic All-State First Team. She was recognized by the Texas High School Coaches Association (THSCA) and the Texas Army National Guard. Erin played on the Lady Winds Softball team as a second baseman and pitcher. She received the honor for her commitment and dedication to perform with the highest excellence academically and on the field. Erin is the daughter of Dr. Gilbert and Laticia Trevino of Floydada. (Courtesy Photo and Photo by Robin's Nest Photography)

## Whirlwind and Lady Winds summer workouts postponed

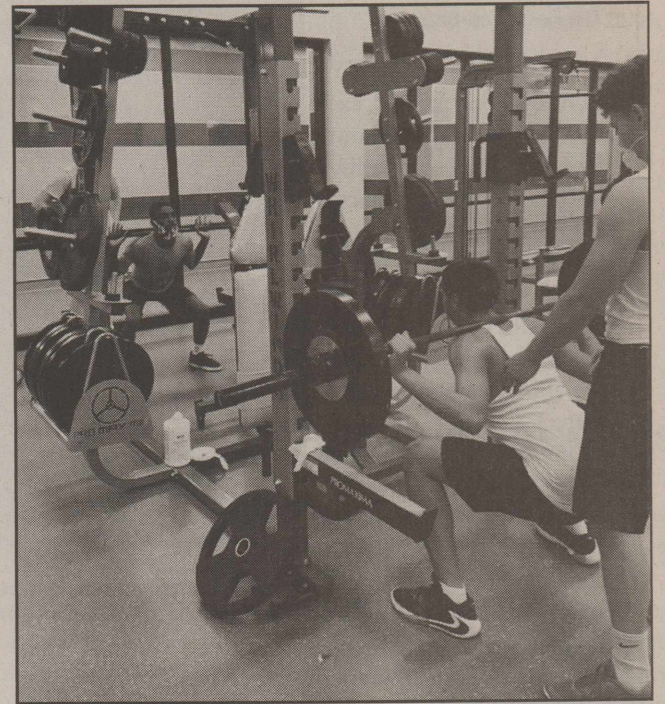
By Yelena Serrato  
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA—After the University Scholastic League (UIL) suggested the suspension of summer workouts for Texas high schools, Floydada ISD announced all summer conditioning and skill workouts for boys and girls will be canceled until July 13th.

FISD officials said it will continue following the guidelines UIL has placed for summer conditioning when it resumes and will continue complying under the guidance set forth by UIL.

Athletes are encouraged by the school district to workout at home by following the routines listed below which do not require any equipment.

- Bodyweight squats: 20 reps
- Push-ups: 10 reps
- Walking lunges: 10 each leg
- Plank: 15 seconds
- Jumping Jacks: 30 reps
- Reverse crunches: 10 reps
- Mountain Climbers: 40 seconds
- Burpees: 10 reps



Floydada Winds athletes work hard in the new facility prior to the announcement by FISD postponing summer workouts. (Courtesy Photo)

## Lockney graduate returns Carstensen ready for fourth graders this fall

By Teresa Bigham  
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Nothing is elementary about how Sarah Carstensen ended up in a classroom full of fourth graders. And she is the first to say it was a feeling she could not deny.

"I cannot tell you the exact moment I knew I wanted to become a teacher," Carstensen said. "During high school, God worked on my heart, and one day I was filled with passion to be a teacher. It wasn't fireworks or a big aha moment, it was a confident knowing. Feeling confident in the direction the Lord was lead-

ing me in. I jumped in with both feet."

Carstensen will be teaching fourth grade at Lockney Elementary this fall.

"I am excited to be teaching fourth grade reading and writing at Lockney Elementary in the fall. I have to say that I feel very blessed to be a part of the team there," said Carstensen.

The daughter of Ricky and Kristi Carstensen, Carstensen was born in Abilene. The family moved to Lockney when she was in the sixth grade. She went on to graduate from Lockney High School in 2015.

Carstensen graduated from West Texas A&M in

2018 with her bachelor's degree in education.

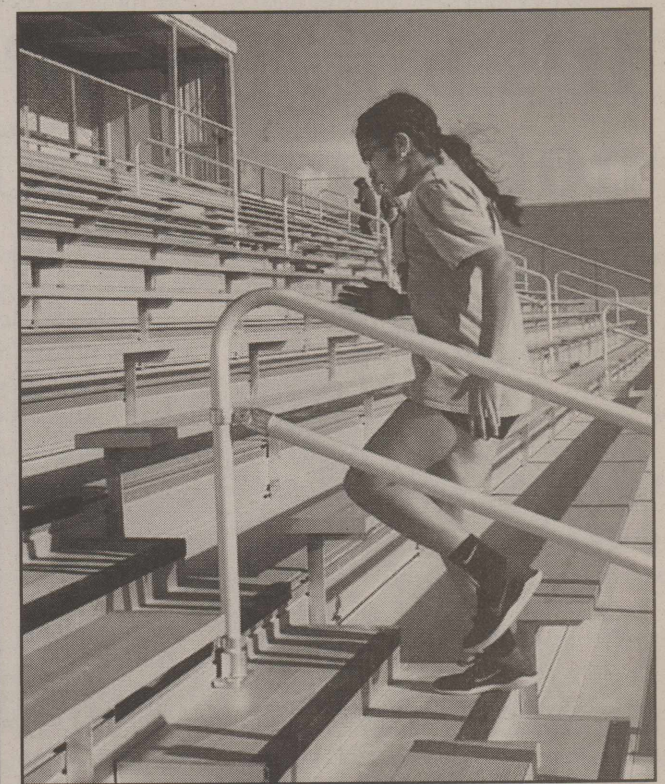
Family and friends are a big priority in her life, she said, adding when she isn't busy teaching or with family and friends she is at church. She also enjoys reading, journaling, crafting and sewing. She also enjoys watching the Hallmark channel.

"Teaching provides me with many blessings and many opportunities to grow," Carstensen said.

One piece of advice she wants to give her students is to cherish what they have in Lockney. "You have an entire community supporting you and cheering you



Sarah Carstensen, new fourth grade reading and writing teacher at LISD. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)



Lady Wind Kailee Garza works hard, taking advantage of her time on the field. (Courtesy Photo)

### FLOYDADA ISD SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM

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July 13 – July 16

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**TUESDAY**  
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The City of Floydada will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 21 at 6:25 p.m. to hear testimony from interested parties as to why the Floydada City Council should/should not issue a Resolution for the removal/demolition of the structure located on the following properties:

Owner of Record	Property Description	Physical Address
Donald Campbell, deceased	Lot 13, Blk 12, O.T.	617 E Grover

Persons who need special assistance wishing to attend this meeting should contact City Hall at 983-2834 at least 24 hours in advance.

## REQUEST FOR SEALED PROPOSALS

The Floydada Independent School District is requesting competitive sealed proposals for auctioneering services to assist the District with conducting an auction of surplus school property, including various equipment, furnishings, vehicles, and portable buildings. The District intends for the auction to be conducted in the Fall of 2020, the specific date to be determined.

Interested auction firms should submit three (3) sets of proposal documents no later than the below deadline. Interested parties may download a proposal packet from the District's website here: [www.floydadaisd.esc17.net](http://www.floydadaisd.esc17.net), or request a packet from the Superintendent, Dr. Gilbert Trevino, (806) 983-3498, [gtrevino@floydadaisd.esc17.net](mailto:gtrevino@floydadaisd.esc17.net). Sealed proposals will be accepted until July 20, 2020 at 10:00 a.m., and are to be mailed or hand delivered to:

Dr. Gilbert Trevino - Superintendent  
Floydada ISD  
226 West California Street  
Floydada, Texas 79235

Proposals should be sealed in an opaque envelope and marked, "Auction Proposal."

Failure to have a proposal physically in the possession of the school district by the above deadline shall result in the proposal NOT being considered; fax or electronic submissions shall NOT be considered. Proposals shall be opened and read aloud upon the deadline and at the above address. The selection of the service provider shall be in accordance with Texas Education Code section 44.031.

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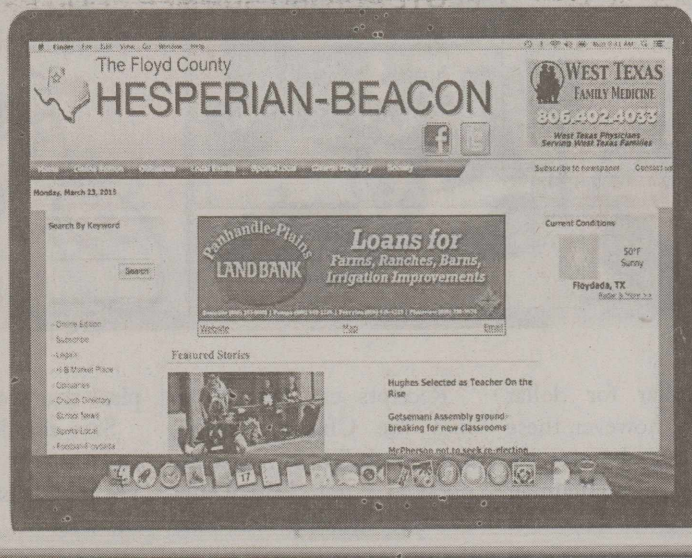
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# Lockney's Bike Parade rolls on

Lockney's Fourth of July Bike Parade is a tradition much older than many of the participants.

"Nobody knows for sure when it got started but, give or take a year or two, it's been going on for about 32 plus years," Lockney resident Cathy Hunter said.

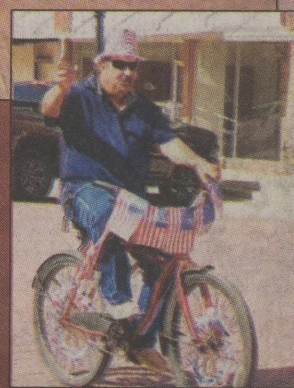
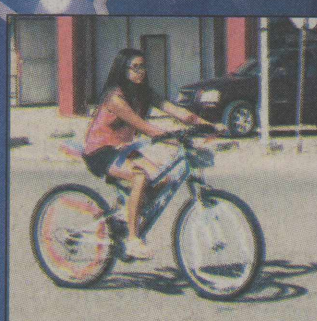
Initially, there were about 10 bicycles and a go-cart. "It used to be just a neighborhood parade around a few blocks where we lived," she added, "and it's just grown from there."

This year's parade, led by the Sheriff's Department, included a Lockney VFD truck, more than 20 bicycles, four-wheelers, go-carts, a riding lawnmower, a couple of mothers walking beside their kids and even a dog or two.

All were decked out in red, white and blue streamers and stars and stripes to celebrate the Fourth of July.

The parade travelled down Main Street to the Lockney Care Center and then back to Main Street Church of Christ where refreshments were served.

(Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham; Photos courtesy of Victoria Wright)



## LOCAL

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DeBock said. "We want to have a day that shows how much we appreciate all they do and help them get back on their feet."

"Join us, Thursday, July 16, from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. in Floydada as we support those

who keep our little town thriving. We encourage our businesses to run "shop local" specials during this time, and we will advertise all there is to do. Message the Floydada Chamber of Commerce Facebook page with your specials for the day, and we will advertise on the event page as well as the Chamber page. We look

forward to a fun day of local support," DeBock said.

The Chamber of Commerce will be giving away five Chamber Bucks to every person who spends at least \$10 at any business in Floydada. Every \$5 spent after that will earn the shopper a ticket into a drawing for 50 Chamber Bucks. The person who brings in the most receipts will win a GRAND PRIZE of 200 Chamber Bucks. If there is a tie, the tie breaker will be who spent the most money. The Chamber Buck

matches dollar for dollar with money; however, these dollars can only be spent in businesses that are Chamber members.

Receipts can be turned into the Chamber office, 105 South 5th St., between noon to 1 p.m. Friday, July 17. The drawing will take

place that evening. Save the date for July 16 and support local business. We are all in this together, she said.

**Karen Houchin**  
Attorney  
806-983-5556

## The 501: Cool ways to beat COVID



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Ready for some good COVID-19 news?

You don't have to replace your old heating and cooling intake vent filter in the battle against the Coronavirus. A dusty filter is more likely to trap those little COVID-19 molecules, or whatever you call those spiny-looking orbs. I read that advice online. Feel free to find conflicting information. I'm sure you can.

Here's my tip: Avoid air-conditioned spaces. Sit outside in the fresh hot air.

Seriously, how safe can it be for people to be breathing together in a closed building where the air is mostly re-circulated as opposed to fresh?

Another thought:

If we can't take the heat, why not go back to water-cooled air? Maybe you remember water coolers - official name "evaporative" cooler. The big squirrel-cage fans sucked air straight from the outside world, albeit though water-soaked excelsior. Excelsior! (That slipped out.) You had to keep windows open so the air could escape and the intake fan would draw better. That's how I remember it.

You also had to stand or sit right in front of the cooler to stay cool. How nice it was!

EVAPORTIVE COOLER COVID-19 RESEARCH.  
Hmmm. Google is not responding well to my quest for evaporative cooling information. I'm learning instead that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have guidelines for "federal, state, local and tribal jurisdictions in the United States considering opening or

operating cooling centers during the COVID-19 pandemic."

Cooling centers? Are they government-operated places you go to cool off if you can't afford to cool your home?

Sounds to me like a Walmart without merchandise. I'd rather go to Walmart if I'm going to be shut up in an air-conditioned space with other people. Just saying.

COOLING CENTER RESEARCH.

"Cooling centers" can be places like libraries, senior citizen centers and shopping malls - the very places now closed or rendered less accessible because of COVID-19. Tribe-owned casinos no doubt qualify as cooling centers. They're open again. But you can gamble away a lot of money if that's your choice for how to stay cool for free. I'll bet they frown on loiterers. Gamble or leave. I could be wrong.

Meanwhile, back to evaporative cooling. It's not a hot topic online. I'm guessing the powers that be in the world of air conditioning are hesitant to shake things up by suggesting we should abandon refrigerated systems for water-cooled air.

If I were in the evaporative cooling business, I'd be touting the advantages of my product: cheaper to operate and healthier because evaporative cooling constantly introduces fresh outside air.

What's more, evaporative coolers (also known as swamp coolers) keep humidity levels up whereas refrigerated air is by nature dehumidified. Airborne viruses like COVID-19 float around longer in dry air than humid air. Bring on the humidity.

In conclusion, some nostalgia:

When I was in the sixth grade, our class senior our money in the school for Carnival to buy a used evaporative cooler for our classroom. I think it cost \$10. We were the coolest class.

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