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## Football contest begins this week

The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon's annual football contest begins today and will last for the next 10 weeks.

The contest rules will be the same as last year. There will be no weekly prizes given out to weekly winners but grand prizes will be given out at the conclusion of the 10-week contest to entrants with the top three overall records. First prize will be \$100, second place will receive \$75 and the third place winner will receive \$50. In the event of ties, prizes will be combined and shared equally by those that tied.

In addition, the other seven top 10 finishers will receive a free one-year subscription to the Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon. In order to get this subscription started, you must come by one of the Hesperian-Beacon offices to provide your name and mailing address. These free subscriptions will not be automatically started.

To win any of the final prizes

entrants must fill out a contest form found in the newspaper each week of the contest. Entrants who do not enter the contest each week will not be eligible for the final prizes. Contest leaders will be published in the Hesperian-Beacon each week during the contest.

The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon would like to thank all our sponsors of the annual contest, so be sure and frequent those businesses and tell them how much you enjoy playing the yearly pick 'em.

Official contest entry forms found in the newspaper will be graded each week. No photo copies or mail-in entries will be accepted.

Be sure and drop your entries at the Hesperian office at 201 W. California Street, Floydada or at the Beacon office at 116 S. Main Street, Lockney. Both offices have drop boxes but all entries must be at the Hesperian-Beacon offices by 4:30 p.m. on Friday. No late entries will be accepted.

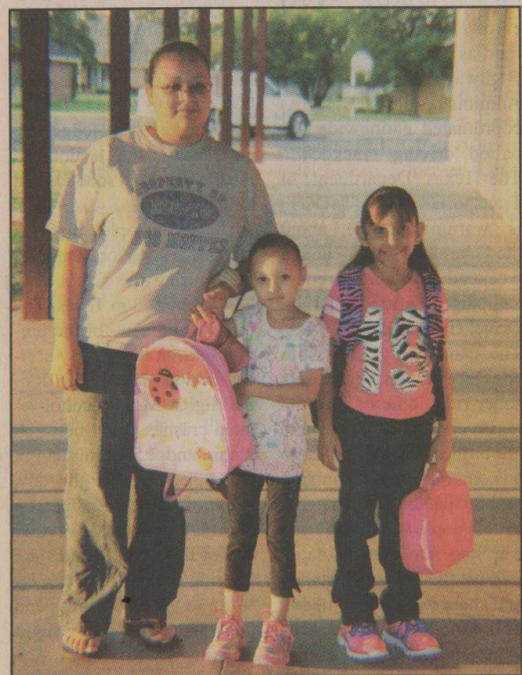


Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Esmeralda and Kara Sanchez, 4, make their way to school alongside Thalia Ascencio, daughter of Valerie and Christopher Ascencio.



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Cayden Arvizu, 4, arrives for his first day of PK-1 at A.B. Duncan Elementary with his parents, Andrew Arvizu and Marisa Maldonado.

## Reception Honors General Manager Bill Harbin for 25 Years of Service to Lighthouse

By Larry Ogden

An afternoon reception on Thursday, August 24, hosted by the Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc. board of directors and employees honored General Manager Billy C. Harbin for his 25 years of service to the cooperative. He assumed his duties as Lighthouse General Manager on August 13, 1987.

Bill was raised on a dairy farm in Bailey County. In addition to running his dairy, Bill's late father Joe also served as a director of Bailey County Electric Cooperative, and later worked for the Muleshoe based cooperative as Member Service Advisor, where he remained until his retirement.

Bill graduated from Muleshoe High School in 1965, and attended the University of New Mexico before transferring to Texas Tech University where he graduated in 1970 with a degree in Agricultural Engineering. After gradu-

ating, Bill was employed by the USDA Soil Conservation Service, stationed first in Big Springs, then Crosbyton and later Livingston before being hired by Lamb County Electric Cooperative in Littlefield in 1974. He was serving as the Manager of Engineering Services at Lamb County EC in 1987 when he was named General Manager by the Lighthouse Board of Directors.

During his years as Lighthouse General Manager, Bill has also served in many other leadership roles in the electric cooperative industry. He has served as Chairman of the Board, and is currently serving as Board Secretary of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, the generation and transmission cooperative headquartered in Amarillo which is owned by Lighthouse and 15 other



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Bill and Linda Harbin at a reception honoring his 25 years of service at Lighthouse Electric Cooperative in Floydada.

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## American State Bank Treats FISH Teachers to Complimentary Luncheon

(FLOYDADA, TX) – On Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> ASB team members, volunteers from First United Methodist Church and local students treated the teachers and staff of Floydada Independent School District to a complimentary lunch. Over 150 teachers and staff were served a scrumptious meal of hamburgers and hot dogs with all of the trimmings. Attendees also received a reusable, eco-friendly tumbler.

ASB would like to thank the First United Methodist Church for the use of their facilities. ASB Floydada Branch President Zach Cummings would also like to extend his gratitude to the local students that helped serve.

"The students that came



Courtesy Photo

out to help us with this event really made it special. They rolled up their sleeves

and worked hard to make sure everyone was taken care of. We couldn't pull

off this luncheon without their help. We are proud to support FISH."

## City of Lockney opens Facebook page to reach public

By Jennifer Harbin

The City of Lockney has expanded their digital horizons by opening a Facebook page to better reach the public and keep the town's residents abreast of local activities.

Laurie Garcia, billing and court clerk for the City of Lockney, created the account on August 13 "so we could get word out of things that are happening."

The City Council had already discussed creating a page, and after a seminar that City Secretary Charlotte Hooten attended, they decided they should go ahead with it.

Garcia will manage the page. "It's something exciting," said Garcia. "Something different and new."

Garcia said that the page

will be used for information, but the City will continue to

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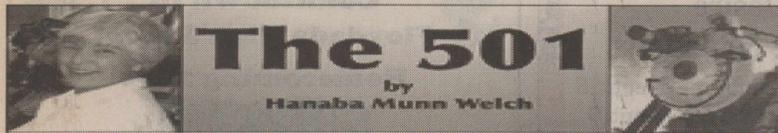
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# 2012 FOOTBALL GUIDE

INSIDE THIS EDITION OF THE FLOYD COUNTY HESPERIAN-BEACON



# LIFESTYLES



If cows had welcome wagons for new bulls the way people make neighborhood newcomers feel at home, you wouldn't want one-eared Rio Rita to be the designated greeter. Rita's a little crazy.

Tonight all our cows, Rita included, are bedded down in a shallow draw. I found them while looking for our new bull. From a distance, their horns shone promisingly in the headlight beams. But, as I drew near, I could see no bull.

Remembering my grandmother, who routinely patrolled her cow pasture by car, I drove on, lights cutting through darkness, but to no avail. I wished for a spotlight or a big moon. It's not easy to find an Angus bull at night. I also wished for my grandmother, just on general principles.

Lest you think my cow-savvy grandmother did her herd checking by night, she didn't. By sunset, her '56 Chrysler was nearly always parked in her carport, occasionally with a tire going down slowly from a mes-

quite thorn. She was in for the night, barring the need to shoot some nocturnal varmint of one sort or another.

I'm in for the night too now, happy to say I finally found the bull. He was several hundred yards away from his new harem, standing by a gate, apparently wishing he could return to the totally male milieu on the ranch he'd just left. He came to us from the bovine equivalent of the Augusta National Golf Club - all bulls, all one breed. But what do I know about golf? Not much.

OK, I know the situation is different now at the Augusta. They let Condoleezza Rice join last week, and I think another female was also accepted into the formerly no-girls-allowed club. Things change.

On our farm, it's the new bull that's upset things. He's the first adult of his gender to set foot on our acreage for several months. But really, the cows are unperturbed. He's the one not adjusting. He's not the first Angus bull they've ever seen, but they are the first spotted and

horned females he's ever seen. I guess he's in shock, especially with aggressive Rita trotting out to greet him, horns askew. They really are askew.

He must have been asking himself where he'd landed. (Like my grandmother, I presume to know what cows think, except she really did know.) It didn't take the bull long to head the opposite direction.

It's too bad cows don't play golf. It would be a low-stress way for a new one to meet the herd. **O V E R - N I G H T P A U S E .**

Meanwhile, back at the ranch, the new bull, no surprise, has made an overnight adjustment. He's found out he likes girls, whatever their lineage. Maybe it was getting to know them all by the dark of the moon that did the trick, sort of like meeting strangers at a totally dark stargazing party. Try it sometime.

Let's applaud whatever it takes to break down prejudices, especially on the ranch.

Good luck, Rita. I think he likes you.

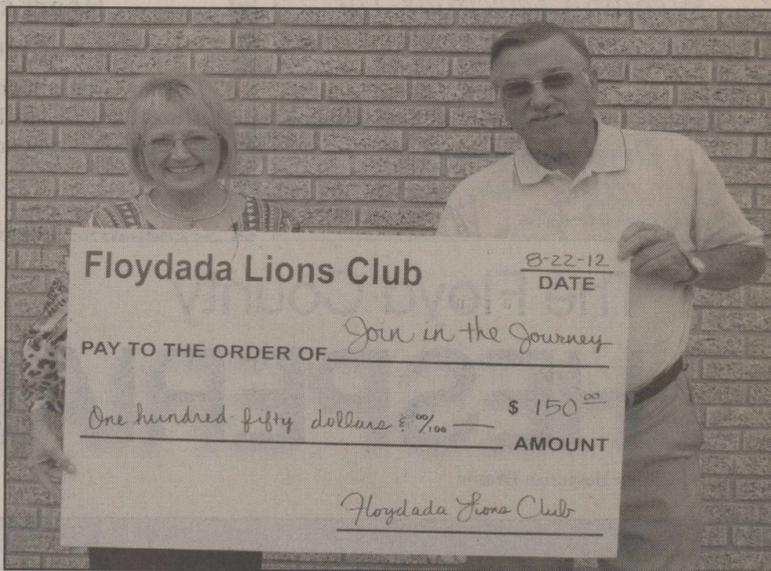


Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Floydada Lions Club Supporters of "Join in the Journey" Women's Conference. Tommy Ogden, Lion's Club treasurer, presented Connie Johnson with a donation of \$150 for the "Join in the Journey" conference scheduled for Saturday, October 6, 2012. The "Journey" conference has been held every 2 years since 2006. It is held at the Floyd Co Unity Center located in Muncy, Texas. The proceeds go to the Christian Women's Job Corps New Options for Women. The "Journey", along with the Christian Women's Job Corps are grateful for the generous donation. For more information, call Connie Johnson at 983-3441 or Karen Houchin at 983-5556.

## Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margaret Jones

"School Days! School Days! Dear old Golden - Rule Days!" Oh, my! What a difference the years make! The ever-increasing use of modern technology is a far cry from the one-room school house of my childhood. Blackboards filled with chalk dust and Big Chief tablets have been traded out for Computers and Smart Boards. As bright, young minds filled with great expectations settle into yet another School Year, let us remember the magic and wonder of "Education". May we begin each day with a prayer in our hearts for the safety and security of our children and teachers as they go about the amazing opportunity of developing today's youth into tomorrow's leaders.

**Flu Shots at the Center!** Be sure to mark these two days on your calendar: **September 28 and October 12.** Get your flu shots to avoid this dreaded ailment. These are specific times..... September 28<sup>th</sup> - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. and October 12<sup>th</sup> - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. With Medicare or Medicaid shots are FREE. Without Medicare or Medicaid

shots are \$25.

### RECIPE OF THE WEEK

#### "Breakfast Power Smoothie"

½ cup frozen blueberries,  
½ cup frozen blackberries,  
½ cup frozen strawberries,  
½ cup frozen raspberries,  
1 cup unsweetened pomegranate juice.  
Combine all ingredients in a blender, blending until smooth. Enjoy!!!!

This recipe was given on the Dr. Oz television show. He says that this will give you all the requirements for antioxidants our body needs daily. Sounds good to me!

**"Thought for the Week"** - Holidays are confusing. You'd think Thanksgiving would be in September after the kids go back to school.

### MEMORIALS

By Margarette Word

First, I want to remind those who eat at the Center daily, there is no need to call. But if you DO NOT plan to eat that day, please call 983-2032 by 10 a.m. to let them know.

For those who come to

eat 2 or 3 times a week, please call the Center at 983-2032 by 10 a.m. so the wonderful cooks will have plenty of food for everyone.

We do appreciate you eating with us. The fellowship is wonderful and it sure breaks your day to visit with friends.

**In memory of Francis Gunter - Roger and Bo Poage**

**In memory of Don Chesshir - Roger and Bo Poage**

### MENU

- Sept 3 - Sept 7
- Monday - CLOSED - HOLIDAY**
- Tuesday** - Beef soft taco, Spanish rice, broccoli, seasoned corn, mandarin oranges w/topping, low-fat milk
- Wednesday** - Creamy mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, whole wheat roll, margarine, emerald pears, low-fat milk
- Thursday** - Homemade turkey pot pie, whole wheat roll, margarine, seasoned corn, tossed salad w/dressing, ambrosia, low-fat milk
- Friday** - Crispy chicken on bun, tomato & lettuce, mayonnaise, potato wedges, carrot & raisin salad, fruit cocktail, low-fat milk



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

The Rotary and Lions Clubs of Floydada fed the Floydada Whirlwind senior football players and coaches a meal on Thursday, August 23, and heard a presentation by Coach Todd Bandy on the upcoming football season.

## Texas, let's be safe this Labor Day.....

Come on, Texans, we can do better. Texas is the best place to go tubing in the summer, the best place to camp under a star-filled sky, the best place to eat BBQ and the best place to boat on many of our recreational lakes. Do we really want to be that state where people die every summer in drunk driving crashes?

Labor Day is the traditional celebration of summer's end. But there's little to celebrate in the number of Texans killed by drunk driving during May through August. From May through August in 2011, 366 people died in alcohol-related crashes in Texas; 34 percent of all alcohol-related fatal crashes happen during the summer. These are real people with real names, our families, friends and neighbors.

As we head into Labor Day, Texas will once again pump up the number of law

enforcement officers on the road as part of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) coordinated nationwide impaired driving crackdown. The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is warning people about the increased enforcement weekend with an awareness campaign entitled "Drink. Drive. Go to Jail."

The campaign's goal is to convince drivers to choose a sober ride home or face the legal consequences. There are billboards, TV and radio ads, and even a simulated mobile jail cell touring the state. People at public events can step into the simulated jail, get their mug shot taken and share it on social media. The concept is that Texans experience a simulated jail now, so they'll never want to go to an actual jail. Extreme? Yes. TxDOT will go to all sorts of extremes to stop drinking and driving.

If you are serious about your commitment to choosing a sober ride home, text CHOOSE to 67664. Texans who make the pledge are entered to win a donated Honda Ruckus scooter and helmet.

Seven people died in alcohol-related crashes last year during the Labor Day holiday period in Texas. The fatality numbers for the previous seven Labor Day holiday periods were all in double digits. More alcohol-related crashes occur between 2 a.m. and 2:59 a.m. than in any other hour of the day, and more crashes happen on Saturday than on any other day of the week. Texans are figuring out that it costs a lot - up to \$17,000 in fees and fines - if you get caught drinking and driving.

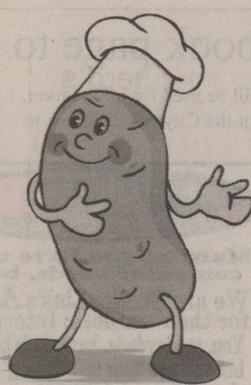
Let's make the 2012 Labor Day Holiday deaths and crashes due to alcohol number zero. Let's be that safe state.

## TATER BAKE

**Baked Potatoes - Chili, Cheese, Broccoli-Cheese, Ham, Sour Cream, Salad, Breadsticks, Homemade Pies**

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1956 Study Club  
Old Junior High Cafeteria

**Friday, September 7**  
**5:00 - 7:00 p.m**



**Adults \$7.00**  
**Children under 12 - \$5.00**  
**SEPARATE TAKE OUT LINE**

**Purchase advanced tickets @ 806-983-5064 or any member of club**

## ATTENTION GIRLS

Just in case you have not heard there is going to be a queen contest at the County Fair on September 15, 2012. You are invited to participate. It is so.....

..... in a lifetime experience. You learn so much from being in the public eye, plus it is a growing experience.

Pick up your applications from local businesses and schools. Follow direction on the application. You will not regret it! You will have so very much fun!



## Hospice Hands of West Texas

### Benefit Luncheon

(Brisket, potato salad, beans, dessert)  
Sunday, September 23, 2012  
11:00 a.m.- ??  
\$8 for adults, \$4 for children  
Silverton School Cafeteria  
(700 Loretta Street)

ALL PROCEEDS will go to the Hospice Hands Advisory Board which assists those hospice patients who do not have the resources or funds to pay for their hospice care, medication and equipment. Hospice Hands accepts patients who have private insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, and VA benefits, as well as private pay patients. However, Hospice Hands does not deny care to a hospice patient who does not have any of these resources, and we rely on money from fundraisers to provide care for these individuals. For more information on Hospice Hands, call (806) 652-3000. Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you on Sunday!

# OBITUARIES



**FLORA MCNEILL**

Flora McNeill, age 96, of Floydada passed away, Thursday, August 23, 2012.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Saturday, August 25, 2012 at the First United Methodist Church in Floydada with Reverend Les Hall officiating.

Interment followed at the Floyd County Memorial Park. Arrangements were under the care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Flora was born on August 30, 1915 in the Allmon Community to George Harlan and Maud Elizabeth (Woolsey) Day. She attended school in

Floydada where she graduated. She married the love of her life, Malcolm McNeill in 1935. They lived in Muncy and moved to Floydada in 1954.

Flora had a part in founding the Floyd County Library. Representing Precinct 2, she secured signatures for a petition asking the commissioners court for the library. She also assisted in getting the library branch in Lockney. She was secretary of the Floydada Chapter #31 Order of the Eastern Star and Worthy Matron. She was also an active member of the First United Methodist Church. She was on the church administrative board, served on many committees, taught Sunday School and sang in the choir.

She was very active in the Floyd County Democratic Party and with her husband and daughter, attended the inauguration of President Lyndon Johnson. She traveled around the world and found time to serve the com-

munity in many worthwhile charities.

Flora is preceded in death by her husband, Malcolm McNeill and two sisters, Wanda O'Neal and Mary Helen Day.

She is survived by one daughter, Janice Moser of Lubbock; one granddaughter, Misty and husband, Dr. Ronnie Ford of Amarillo; three great-granddaughters, Jordan Taylor Ford, Peyton Mackenzie Ford and Kendall Elizabeth Ford; and niece, Cindy and husband, Dr. Grant Hambright and their son, Jordan of Ohio. She also survived by many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Floyd County Museum, P.O. Box 304, Floydada Texas 79235, First United Methodist Church, 203 W. Kentucky, Floydada, Texas 79235 or the Floydada Chapter #31, Order of the Eastern Star.

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

## Floydada First United Methodist Church announces time change

By Ann Carr

The First United Methodist Church of Floydada announces a change in its Sunday morning worship service. On September 9, 2012, the worship service will begin at 9:30 a.m. and will end at 10:30 a.m. with fellowship following immediately after the church service.

Sunday school will begin

at 10:50 a.m. and will end at 11:30 a.m. Les Hall, pastor, will lead the service at the new time and Kori Covington, the new worship director, will direct the music for the service. To celebrate this special day, we will enjoy a covered dish luncheon following Sunday school.

The church extends an invitation to the community to attend the worship

service of the First United Methodist Church of Floydada at its new time on Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> and stay for fellowship and attend Sunday school.

The community is invited also to join the congregation for a covered dish luncheon immediately after Sunday school to help celebrate the new worship schedule.

## 26<sup>th</sup> annual Carlton Reunion held in Plainview

The family of Aubrey and Elmina (Crow) Carlton, formerly of Friona, held their 26<sup>th</sup> annual reunion at the homes of Rocky and Donette Sabins and Debbie Carlton in Plainview on Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup>.

Special guests attending were Ethelyn Garnett of Lockney, Texas, Donna Vernon of Plainview, Texas, Tami Vernon of Plainview, Texas and Dorothy Crawford of Lubbock, Texas.

Family present were Sandra Lappe of Ovale, Texas, Jerry Don and Liz Carlton, Sr., Berna, Chad, Britany, Cole, Caleb and Barry Carlton, Jerry, Lisa, Chelsea and Derek Nunez, all of Clovis, New Mexico, Walter and Renda Carlton of Weatherford, Texas, Marti and Hannah Gresham of Stephenville, Texas, Toni and Lane Smith of Springtown, Texas, Jesse Milton and Sandi Carlton and Macen Lopez of Lean-

der, Texas, David and Patti Carlton of Plano, Texas, Micah, Leslie, Aiden, and Baylie Carlton of McKinney, Texas, Tracy and Preston Carlton of Corinth, Texas, Shannon Jones of San Angelo, Texas, Debbie Carlton of Plainview, Texas, Rocky and Donette Sabins of Plainview, Texas, Timothy Sabins of Kress, Texas, Wyman and Walker Rexrode of Little Elm, Texas and Joe and Margie Rexrode of Lockney, Texas.

## LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

By Renee Armstrong

Hello from the Lockney Senior Citizens Center. A friendly reminder: your dues are due. They are \$20 a person per year. Please come and join us. Please mark your calendar: September 21-22 is Homecoming and the Center will be open for those who do not wish to attend the football game and Marjorie Holcomb will be the hostess.

October 14 will be our next fundraiser. Please let Renee at the Center know if you would like to help with this.

Please keep Mary Montandon and Algene Barker in your prayers, and anyone that is ill that I may have forgotten.

If you have any news to report please call the Center at 652- 2745.

Don't forget the pot luck on Thursday night at 6 p.m.,

bring a dish and enjoy supper and games afterwards.

Due to the rising cost of food, please notify the Center no later than 9:30 a.m. if you wish to have lunch with us, that way we don't over prepare or under prepare.

**MENU**

**Sept 3 – Sept 7**

Monday: Baked Potatoes  
Tuesday: Salmon  
Wednesday: Fried Chicken  
Thursday: Spaghetti  
Friday: Fish

## Floyd County Church Directory

<p><b>AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH</b> <i>Dennis Butler, Pastor</i> Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 810 S. 3rd, Floydada <i>Darwin Robinson, Pastor</i> 983-5278 Sunday School .....10:00 a.m. Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m. Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m. Wednesday.....7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP</b> <i>Floydada</i> <i>Armando Morales, Pastor</i> Sunday School .....9:45 a.m. Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m. Bible Study .....6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>CARR'S CHAPEL</b> Service Every Sunday: Morning Worship .....9:00 a.m. Sunday School .....10:30 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> <i>West College &amp; Third, Lockney</i> Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m. Afternoon Worship ..1:30 p.m. Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> <i>Levi Sisemore, Minister</i> <i>Ivan Gomez, Minister</i> <i>Floydada</i> Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m. Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m. Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study .....7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH</b> <i>Tim Franks, Pastor</i> <i>Terry Simmons, Minister of Ed./Music</i> <i>Josh Burgett - Min. Students</i> Sunday School .....9:15 a.m. Morning Worship ...10:30 a.m. Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study....6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Lockney</b> <i>Jonathan Sullivan, Pastor</i> <i>Chad Cook, Youth Min.</i> <i>Phil Cotham, Music Min.</i> Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .... 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m. Wednesday.....6:30 p.m. Wednesday (Youth) .7:15 p.m. *****</p>	<p><b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> <i>Floydada</i> <i>Rev. Les Hall, Pastor</i> Early Worship ....8:30 a.m. Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship ...10:50 a.m. Youth (Sunday).....5:00 p.m. Youth (Wednesday)..7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> <i>Lockney</i> <i>Rev. Ricky Carstensen Pastor</i> Sunday School .....9:30 a.m. Worship Service .....10:30 a.m. Evening Service..... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Jr. High .....5:30 p.m. Wed. High School.. 6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST</b> <i>Joe Bennett, Pastor</i> Sunday School .....10:00 a.m. Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m. Evening Service.....7:30 p.m. Tuesday .....8:00 p.m. Wed. Service .....7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> <i>Lockney</i> <i>Beau A. Hart, Minister</i> Bible Study .....9:30 a.m. Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wednesday.....7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH</b> <i>Floydada</i> <i>Rev. Ralph Jackson</i> 401 N 12th St (983-5805) Sunday School .....10:00 a.m. Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m. Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m. Wednesday Study ...7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> <i>Floydada</i> <i>Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges</i> (806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing .....10:30 a.m. Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>OUT REACH HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH</b> <i>Floydada</i> <i>Rev. David Ramos, Pastor</i> <i>Ester Ramos, Praise Leader</i> Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m. Morning Praise..11:00 a.m. Evening Praise ....5:00 p.m. Wed. Worship.... 7:00 p.m. *****</p>	<p><b>POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH</b> <i>Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor</i> 704 N. Main, Lockney Sunday Services...10:00 a.m. Sunday Evening ..... 5:00 p.m. Wednesday.....7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA</b> <i>Lockney</i> <i>Jesus Caballero, Pastor</i> Sunday School .....9:45 a.m. Worship Service .... 11:00 a.m. Discipleship .....5:00 p.m. Wed. Service .....7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA</b> <i>Floydada</i> <i>Rev. Lupe Rando</i> Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship ..10:40 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Evening .....7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> <i>Lockney</i> <i>Jim McCartney, Pastor</i> Wed. Communion...8:00 p.m. Sunday Mass..... 11:30 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH</b> <i>Joe Weldon, Pastor</i> Sunday School .....10:00 a.m. Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting..... 7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> 701 W. Missouri <i>Joe M. Hernandez</i> 983-5286 (church) ..... Sunday School ..... English..... 9.45 a.m. Spanish..... 11.00 a.m. Spanish Worship .....9:30 a.m. English Worship....11:00 a.m. Evening Service.....5:00 p.m. Wednesday.....7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> <i>Floydada</i> <i>Rev. Angelo Consemino</i> <i>Phone: 983-5878</i> Sunday Mass..... 11:30 a.m. Mon.Wed. Mass .....6:30 p.m. Confession Sat..... 10-11 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM</b> <i>Lockney</i> <i>Rev. Joe Hernandez</i> Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School .....9:45 p.m. Worship Service .... 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Meeting .....7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> <i>Washington and 1st St.</i> Sunday School .....9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship .... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service .....7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA</b> <i>Rev. Herman Martinez</i> 308 W. Tennessee, Floydada Sunday School .....10:00 a.m. Evening Worship ....5:00 p.m. Tuesday .....7:30 p.m. Thursday Service.....7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>TRINITY ASSEMBLY</b> 500 W. Houston <i>Henry Russell, Co-Pastor</i> <i>Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor</i> 983-5499 or 983-2887 Sunday School .....9:45 a.m. Morning Worship ...10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening .....6:00 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> <i>Providence Community</i> on FM 2301 293-3009 <i>Rev. Peter W. Harrington Minister</i> Sunday School .....9:45 a.m. Worship Service .... 11:00 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> <i>Floydada 983-3548</i> Sunday Worship ...10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening .....5:00 p.m.</p>
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS FLOYDADA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT State Financial Accounting Rating**

**Floydada Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 6:30 p.m., September 11, 2012 in the Board Conference Room 226 W. California, Floydada, Texas**

**The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the Floydada Independent School District's rating on the state's financial accountability system.**

## 1956 Study Club

The 1956 Study Club met August 14 to prepare for the upcoming Tater Bake. It will be held Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at the old Floydada junior high cafeteria before the homecoming game. Charline Hendrix is chairwoman for the event.

We will be preparing about 500 meals. Tickets will be \$7.00 for adults and \$5 for children under 12.

Club members answered the roll call by telling about an enjoyable summer experience and by also telling if they would be making pies or cobblers for the Tater Bake dessert.

Members present were Terri Bush, Sheree Cannon, Anne Carthel, Dana Crossland, Judy Dunlap, Linda Harbin, Charline Hendrix, Janis Julian, Janet Lloyd, Nancy Mayo, Linda Matsler, Judy Schacht, JenniSmith, Kay Dean Smith and Jan Willson.

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# Floydada School

## Ecstatic about an Excellent School Year



Brooke Burson, 6th grade Language Arts teacher extends a friendly hand to upcoming 6th grade student Allison Muniz.

**By: Carley Carthel**  
Staff Writer

Time to greet this year with welcoming smiles! On Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at the annual "Meet the Teachers," parents, students, and teachers got the chance to meet

and discuss the upcoming 2012-2013 school year. This was also a wonderful opportunity for the kids to connect and "shake hands" with their teachers and become familiar with them as well as their expectations for a great year.

## FHS Cheerleaders Announce Spirit Days

**By: Mattie Sanders**  
Staff Writer

With Homecoming around the corner, alumni, students, and staff of Floydada ISD are anticipating the big game on September 07, 2012. Since the event only occurs once every four years, it has become especially important to the Whirlwind fans. This year, in order to prepare for the game, FHS Cheerleaders have set a theme for every day leading up to Friday. All

students and staff are welcomed to participate in various spirit days throughout the week.

### Spirit Days (September 4<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>):

- Crazy Sock Day is on Tuesday.
- Hat Day is on Wednesday.
- Pajama Day is on Thursday.
- Wear Your "Whirlwind Green" Day is on Friday!

## Putting a Name With a Face



**By: Malorie Alaniz**  
Staff Writer

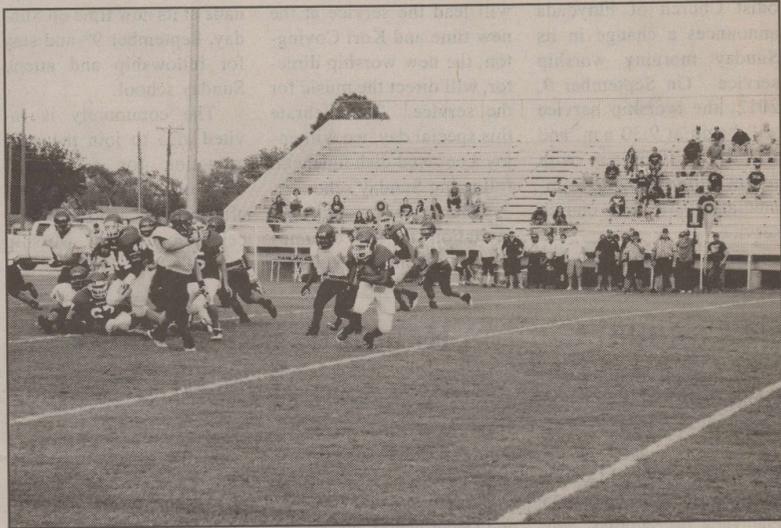
Floydada Whirlwind fans were invited to meet the fall sport athletes on Thursday, August 23, 2012 at Wester Field. FHS coaches and athletes hosted the annual "Meet the Winds" to gear fans up for

the start of the 2012 sport's season. This event allowed supporters to gather and watch the Whirlwind football team scrimmage against the Ralls Jackrabbits. During "Meet the Winds," fans were able to greet and take pictures with the athletes.

Head football coach, Todd Bandy, announced the team members and previewed the upcoming season. The fall 2012 sports include the Varsity and JV football teams, Varsity and JV cheerleaders, and the cross-country teams. Following the introductions

of the athletes, the Floydada coaching staff was introduced. Fans were treated with watermelon after the program. The 2012 football season includes five home games. We hope you all come out and support the Floydada Whirlwinds this year!

**Courtesy Photo**  
The Floydada Whirlwinds took on the Ralls Jackrabbits in a scrimmage on Thursday, August 23, in Floydada.



### Floydada 2012 Homecoming Schedule

#### Friday September 7th

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Floyd County Museum will be open for all ex-students. www.floydcountymuseum.com
12:00 noon	Class of '67 reunion at the Covey Smokehouse and Eatery, corner of 5 <sup>th</sup> & Missouri.
2:30 PM	Football Pep Rally at the football field.
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Open House at A.B. Duncan Elementary School
5:00 - 7:00 PM	The 1956 Study Club will provide dinner at the junior high cafeteria (north of football field). Tickets are \$7 for adult and \$5 for children and must be purchased by Sept. 1 <sup>st</sup> at (806) 983-5064
6:00 - 12:00 PM	Party for all ex-students at the old Redman's Restaurant in the canyon 6 miles south of Floydada on Highway 62.
7:30 PM	Floydada plays San Jacinto Christian Academy.
10:00 PM	Class of 1987 get-together after the game at the Boston Terrier Museum, 206 W Houston Street.

#### Saturday, September 8th

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Hall of Fame Breakfast for new and current members at A. B. Duncan Elementary School Library.
9:00 AM	Registration for all ex-students at the high school gym.
10:00 AM	Ex-student's business meeting in auditorium. All ex's may attend this meeting and/or mingle with others in the halls of the high school.
11:30 AM-1:00 PM	Lunch at the high school gym. Purchase tickets at registration Saturday morning or at the football game.
1:00 - 4:00 PM	Ex-students meet in high school classrooms. Rooms will be marked by year of graduation.
3:00 PM	Ex-students from the '70's are hosting a get-together at the Massie Activity Center. They invite all 70's grads and anyone else who wants to come.
3:00 PM	Class of 1948 is hosting a get-together at home of Travis Jones, 902 West Mississippi Street.
4:00 - 6:00 PM	Class of 2007 is hosting a get-together at 909 W Grover.
6:00 - 12:00 PM	The Covey Smokehouse and Eatery is hosting a get-together and dance for all ex-students, corner of 5 <sup>th</sup> & Missouri.
6:00 - 12:00 PM	Classes of 1958 & 1960 are hosting a get-together at Ronnie Smith's house, (located 4 miles east of Floydada on Highway 70, then 1.5 miles south on Highway 651.) All 50's & 60's ex-students are invited.
7:00 - 12:00 PM	Class of 1975 get-together at home of Vicki Smith Derryberry, 7008 Miami Ave., Lubbock. Class of 1987 25 <sup>th</sup> reunion. Date and place TBD. Class of 1996 class party, date and place TBD Class of 2002 10-year reunion, date and place TBD

For the latest information on scheduled events, visit the Ex-student website.

<http://www.floydadawhirlwinds.org>

### Summer Fun Days Crossword Puzzle

Created By: Homero Ramirez- Staff Writer

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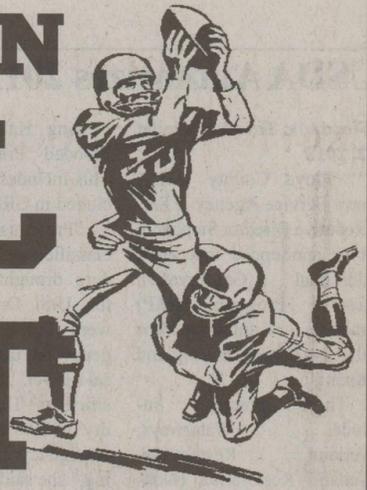
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# 2012 HESPERIAN-BEACON FOOTBALL CONTEST



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## Official Entry Form Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest

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## Contest Rules

Any subscriber or purchaser age 7 or older is eligible to enter this contest. Only one entry per week per person, entrants must play every week to be eligible for overall prize.

To play, circle the number of the teams you believe will win on the official entry form.

Only entries on official entry forms brought to a Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada or Lockney no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday will be accepted. Photocopies and mail entries will not be accepted. Three cash prizes are awarded at the end of the contest. In the event of ties, prizes will be combined and shared equally by those tied.

Print your name and address plainly on the official entry form and double check your choices before clipping out the entry form and depositing it at a Hesperian-Beacon office before 4:00 p.m. on Friday. Entries are limited to one per person per week.

At the end of the 10-week contest period, the person with the best overall record will win a first prize of \$100. Second place will be awarded \$75 and third will be \$50.

# AGRICULTURE

## USDA Authorizes 2012 CRP Emergency Haying and Grazing on Eight Additional Practices

(Floydada, Texas) – August 22, 2012

Floyd County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Stephanie Fryer announced that eight additional Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) practices are authorized for 2012 emergency haying and grazing use.

These practices include: Waterways, Wetland Restoration, Wetland Restoration (Non-Floodplain), Rare and Critical Habitat, Farmable Wetlands Pilot Wetland, Farmable Wetland Pilot Buffer, Duck

Nesting Habitat and FWP Flooded Prairie Wetlands. This includes playa lakes included in CRP acreage.

"Previously, only lands classified as 'D2 - under severe drought' according to the U.S. Drought Monitor were eligible for CRP emergency haying and grazing," said Fryer. "Now lands classified as 'D0 - abnormally dry' will be eligible for CRP emergency haying and grazing," she said.

In addition to the 25 percent CRP payment reduction being reduced to 10 percent for all 2012 emergency hay-

ing and grazing authorizations, participants may now sell the harvested hay or lease grazing privileges for profit under the new emergency provisions. However, subleasing of the grazing privileges will not be permitted.

Texas CRP participants who were previously approved for managed haying or grazing may elect to switch to emergency use by contacting the Floyd County FSA office to request approval.

Based on a decision made by the Texas FSA State

Committee, CRP emergency haying and grazing approval will only be available for those CRP lands that were not utilized for haying or grazing during the previous 12 months.

Eligible CRP land can be used for emergency haying until August 31, 2012, or emergency grazing until September 30, 2012. Producers who receive approval to hay or graze additional CRP practices will have to complete a CRP-117 and/or CRP-118.

The eligible CRP acreage is limited to qualified acres

located within the approved county. Eligible producers who are interested in haying or grazing CRP under this emergency authorization and current CRP participants who choose to provide land for haying or grazing to an eligible livestock producer, must first request approval from their local FSA office and obtain a modified conservation plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to include site specific haying or grazing requirements.

In counties that are authorized for CRP emergency

haying and grazing, producers are reminded that the same CRP acreage cannot be both hayed and/or grazed at the same time. For example, if 50 percent of a field or contiguous field is hayed, the remaining unhayed 50 percent cannot be grazed; it must remain unhayed and ungrazed for wildlife. In addition, participants are limited to one hay cutting.

For more information and to request approval for additional CRP emergency haying and grazing practices contact the Floyd County FSA office at 806.983.5747.

## Farm Service Agency Provides Assistance to Livestock Producers

(Floydada, Texas), August 23, 2012 –

Floyd County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Stephanie Fryer, announced that special provisions will be made to the FSA emergency loan program and to the Risk Management Agency (RMA) federal crop insurance program in order to

provide greater flexibility for livestock producers facing forage and feed shortages as a result of drought.

On August 22, 2012, Secretary Vilsack announced that modifications will be made to the emergency loan program allowing them to be made earlier in the season. In the past, emergency loan eligibil-

ity was determined after the production cycle. Producers will no longer have to wait until the end of the production cycle to obtain a loan. This change will support producers who currently need assistance to help offset high production costs.

Vilsack also announced that a special provision will be made to the federal crop

insurance program through RMA that will allow producers to hay or graze cover crops without forfeiting crop insurance eligibility on planted 2013 spring crops. This change is beneficial to livestock producers making forage and feed available this fall and winter. However, before making any plans to plant crop cov-

er, producers should consult with their insurance agent, according to RMA.

"Adding more flexibility to current program requirements will make much needed assistance more readily available to producers affected by disaster," said Fryer. "These changes in particular should benefit livestock producers

who are facing higher feed costs or are at risk of liquidating their herd due to the drought," she said.

For more information regarding special provisions to the emergency loan program, please contact Becky Rainer, Farm Loan Manager, at the Floyd County FSA office at 806.983.5747 ext 112 or visit [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov).

## USDA Reminds Producers of Sept. 4th Sales Closing Date for Noninsurable Crops

(Floydada, Texas) – August 28, 2012 –

Floyd County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Stephanie Fryer, reminds producers that they have until Tuesday, September 4, 2012, to purchase coverage through the Noninsurable Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP). The sales closing date is actually September 1, 2012, but producers have until Tuesday,

September 4, 2012, to purchase coverage this year because September 1 falls on a weekend and the following Monday is a holiday.

NAP provides financial assistance to producers of noninsurable crops when low yields, loss of inventory or prevented planting occur due to normal disasters.

"Purchasing a crop insurance policy is an easy way for producers to miti-

gate risk," said Fryer. "The past few years have shown that natural disasters can severely impact an otherwise successful operation," she said.

The following crops have a NAP application closing date of Sept. 4, 2012: All Small Grains (Wheat, Oats, Barley, Rye & Triticale), Beets, Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Canola, Cauliflower, Garlic, Sod Grass, Greens,

Herbs, Kohlrabi, Leeks, Lettuce, Onions, Radishes, Strawberries, Turnips and ValueLossCrops (Christmas Trees, Crustaceans, Fin Fish, & flowers).

In order to meet eligibility requirements for NAP, crops must be noninsurable, commercially-produced agricultural commodity crops for which the catastrophic risk protection level of crop insurance is not available. If the Risk Management

Agency (RMA) offers coverage for a crop in the county, then NAP coverage is not available for that crop.

In the event of a natural disaster, NAP covers the amount of loss greater than 50 percent of the expected production based on the approved yield and reported acreage.

Eligible producers can apply for coverage using form CCC-471, Application for Coverage. Producers

must file the application and service fee by the Sept. 4 deadline. The service fee is the lesser of \$250 per crop or \$750 per producer per administrative county, not to exceed a total of \$1,875 for a producer with farming interests in multiple counties.

For more information on sales closing dates and NAP, contact the Floyd County FSA office at 806.983.5747 ext 2.

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## Food prices expected to rise with devastating U.S. drought

(Floydada) – On the heels of last year's devastating drought in Texas, many more American farmers are feeling the heat this year. Consumers worry that dry fields will lead to higher grocery prices, but experts say food costs will not increase immediately as a result of the drought.

"Food costs are impacted by crop conditions. However, commodity

prices are only a fraction of the cost of retail food prices," said Tanner Smith, Floyd County Farm Bureau president.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), 14 percent of the retail food cost is attributed to commodity prices. The remaining 86 percent covers costs throughout the production chain, including food processing, pack-

aging, energy and transportation.

"Some people will blame the drought for higher prices at the grocery store," Smith said. "The truth is commodity prices take several months to trickle down and affect retail food prices. We aren't likely to see the price impact of this nationwide drought until early next year."

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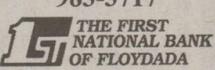
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### Correction

Correction: In the article called "Commissioners consider software to help with unpaid court costs", the presentation given by Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott was on uncollected fines for the J.P. court specifically.

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**A STORY OF THE LAZY F RANCH**  
**as REMEMBERED BY FRANK BROWN**  
**The Lockney Beacon,**  
**July 7, 1988**  
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Mr. Adair's wife, Cornelia Adair, was an American whose father had been a General in the Civil War and her first husband had died in that war. The Adairs were in Denver on business when they were informed of the possibility of buying the Lazy F. Cornelia was very interested in seeing the ranch. She took a train to Dodge City where, because of her wealth, she was able to request and get a military escort to Palo Duro Canyon and then on to the Lazy F. She liked the ranch and encouraged her husband to buy the land, so John Adair sent word to Goodnight to make an offer for the ranch.

Goodnight thought the Bakers had paid 2 Vi cents per acre and in 1880 bought the 140,000 acre ranch for the Adairs at 22 cents per acre. The Bakers also sold about 2,500 head of cattle to the new owners. The official name of the ranch was changed to Quitaque Ranch, but it was still called the Lazy F because the brand remained the same. Goodnight took over the management of the Lazy F Ranch and remained manager and part owner of the JA.

In 1887 Colonel Goodnight went to Austin to see about leasing 101.5 sections of land that belonged to the State of Texas. Most of this grassland was on the plains, above the caprock, and 69 sections were in Floyd County. It appears that this land had been used for grazing prior to this time but the state had not been paid a fee for this privilege. Goodnight and the Commissioner General

of the Land Office, R. M. Hall, did not agree at first on a price and an argument followed between the two men. Finally, the state agreed to lease the land to Goodnight for 4 cents per acre, if he paid cash. Supposedly, Goodnight went to a bank, got the money in silver (\$2,508.80), put the money in a wheelbarrow, had a man push the money to the land office and told them to count the money. The land office counted the money and had the man push the wheelbarrow and money back to the bank.

The Lazy F Ranch was a checkerboard pattern with every other section being owned by the state and railroad. The Adairs bought 218.75 sections and Goodnight leased 101.5 but in reality they controlled twice that amount or 640 sections and a fence was put around all the land. A big four barbed wire was used and the

post were bodarc. This post is soft enough to drive in a steeple when it is green, but after the post dries, it is impossible to put a steeple in the wood. (A map of the leased sections in Floyd County is attached.)

John Adair died in 1885 and his wife, Cornelia, became legal owner of the Lazy F and two-thirds owner of the JA Ranch, a total of 1,000,000 acres. Colonel Goodnight continued to look after both ranches, but in the fall of 1886 he wrote Mrs. Adair in Ireland and explained that the railroads would soon be coming into the area and that would bring thousands of settlers pouring into the panhandle to homestead. These farmers would cause trouble for the big ranches and he suggested a division of the JA. Ranch. Mrs. Adair sent her lawyer, Mr. William Plunkett McQuay to America to represent her in dealing with

Goodnight. On May 31, 1887 a contract was signed trading the 140,000 acre Lazy F Ranch for Goodnight's one-third interest in the JA Ranch. The Lazy F land was valued at \$2.25 an acre in the trade. There were 20,000 head of cattle on the Lazy F and 48,000 head on the JA. Although the amount of the Goodnight land and cattle slightly exceeded the value of the Lazy F land and cattle. Goodnight could not clear the ranch alone. There was a 10,000 pound sterling lien against it from a bank in England. Goodnight then took Mr. L. R. Moore of Kansas City as a partner to make the trade with Mrs. Adair.

The railroad reached Clarendon in late 1887 and Goodnight was ready to sell the Lazy F. He knew settlers would be homesteading on the alternate sections. L. R. Moore bought the

Goodnight's interest in the ranch and he kept control of the land for 5 years and then sold to Frank Howard of New Orleans in 1895 for \$2.50 an acre. Mr. Howard later leased the land to the Criswell Cattle Company. Some of the land was sold but the two sons of Frank Howard, Alvin and Edgar, inherited the ranch when their father died in 1911. By 1937 only 9 sections remained of the original 219 sections of the Lazy F Ranch.

In 1946, Jane Hughes bought the three sections that were left of the ranch and the headquarters buildings from Edgar Howards's wife and son. Jane Hughes sold one-half interest in the ranch to Harry Blair in 1950, shortly before she became his wife. The final portion to be concluded next week.

### USDA Reminds Producers of Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> Sales Closing Date for Noninsurable Crops

(Floydada, Texas) - August 28, 2012 - Floyd County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Stephanie Fryer, reminds producers that they have until Tuesday, September 4, 2012, to purchase coverage through the Noninsurable Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP). The sales closing date is actually September 1, 2012, but producers have until Tuesday, September 4,

2012, to purchase coverage this year because September 1 falls on a weekend and the following Monday is a holiday.

NAP provides financial assistance to producers of noninsurable crops when low yields, loss of inventory or prevented planting occur due to normal disasters.

"Purchasing a crop insurance policy is an easy way for producers to mitigate

risk," said Fryer. "The past few years have shown that natural disasters can severely impact an otherwise successful operation," she said.

The following crops have a NAP application closing date of Sept. 4, 2012: *All Small Grains (Wheat, Oats, Barley, Rye & Triticale)*, Beets, Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Canola, Cauliflower, Garlic

Sod Grass, Greens, Herbs, Kohlrabi, Leeks, Lettuce, Onions, Radishes, Strawberries, Turnips and Value Loss Crops (Christmas Trees, Crustaceans, Fin Fish, & flowers).

In order to meet eligibility requirements for NAP, crops must be noninsurable, commercially-produced agricultural commodity crops for which the catastrophic risk protection level of crop insur-

ance is not available. If the Risk Management Agency (RMA) offers coverage for a crop in the county, then NAP coverage is not available for that crop.

In the event of a natural disaster, NAP covers the amount of loss greater than 50 percent of the expected production based on the approved yield and reported acreage.

Eligible producers can apply for coverage using form CCC-471, Application for

Coverage. Producers must file the application and service fee by the Sept. 4 deadline. The service fee is the lesser of \$250 per crop or \$750 per producer per administrative county, not to exceed a total of \$1,875 for a producer with farming interests in multiple counties.

For more information on sales closing dates and NAP, contact the Floyd County FSA office at 806.983.5747 ext 2.

## Cotton hits new three-month high as crop conditions decline

**By Duane Howell**  
**Lubbock AJ**

Deteriorating U.S. production prospects, ongoing tightness of "free" supplies prior to volume new-crop movement and positive technical action have lifted cotton futures to a new three-month high.

Benchmark December hit an intraday 77.49 cents Tuesday, highest since mid-May, and finished with a gain of 421 points or 5.8 percent to 76.80 cents for the week ended Thursday. It reached into a resistance area seen earlier from 77-79.

The high marked a 1,288-point gain or 19.9 percent from the calendar year low June 4. This represented a 39.3 percent retracement of the 3,278-point plunge from the 2012 high in February to the June low. A 50 percent retracement would be 81 cents.

December topped the previous 12-week high of 77.07 cents reached the day before USDA's bearish updated supply-demand estimates and posted eight consecutive higher daily lows following the low print of 71.59 cents on the reaction to the report.

Producers stepped up scale-up selling above 76 cents. Growers had contracted only 10 percent of the U.S. upland planted area as of Aug. 1 as estimated by USDA, down from bookings of 26 percent a year ago.

Cash grower-to-business sales on The Seam increased to 9,417 bales from 3,893 bales. Prices rose to an average of 71.07 cents from 69.36 cents as premiums over loan repayment rates climbed to 18.23 cents from 17.60 cents. Daily average prices ranged from 64.14 to

75.87 cents. The market showed subdued reaction to news that China issued a long-anticipated processing trade quota of 400,000 metric tons (1.84 million 480-pound bales).

This quota is for mills that pledge to export the finished goods. It is expected to facilitate sales of cotton already on shippers' books. Estimates have indicated around a million bales of consignment cotton are in Chinese ports.

Beijing also was reported considering releasing from the strategic reserves around a million tons (4.59 million bales) at prices below the procurement level to meet demand and make room for the new crop.

China's overall 2012-13 stocks are estimated to increase from a beginning inventory of 29.28 million to a carryout of 34.18 million bales, 42 percent and 46 percent, respectively, of the world totals.

The stocks plus its own crop theoretically would be more than enough to satisfy domestic mill demand. Yet imports still will be needed. Export-oriented textile mills couldn't compete in the international marketplace if they were to pay domestic prices for raw cotton.

The China Cotton Index was quoted Thursday at 18,413 yuan per metric ton or the equivalent of 132.28 cents per pound, while world values as measured by the Cotlook A Index stood at 86.60 cents.

Earlier, talk circulated that India may restrict exports because of reduced output owing to smaller plantings linked to both weak cotton prices and limited monsoon rainfall in key areas thus far.

However, the Cotton Advisory Board, which had been expected to issue its first 2012-13 production forecast, said more time was needed to assess production prospects.

But the CAB did estimate the planted area, pegging it at 11.02 million hectares (one hectare equals 2.471 acres), down 9.5 percent from 12.17 million the previous year.

The USDA earlier this month estimated the area at 10.8 million hectares, down from the high of 12.2 million the previous season. India plants the world's largest cotton area and is the second-leading producer.

In revised 2011-12 estimates, the CAB put production at 35.3 million 170-kilo bales and consumption at 25.53 million. In 480-pound bales, the CAB estimates compared with the USA figures are 1.08 million higher on the crop and 550,000 lower on consumption.

Traders kept wary eyes on the projected path of Tropical Storm Isaac as it headed for Florida by Monday. Open cotton as of Aug. 19 ranged up to 31 percent in the Delta and 12 percent in the Southeast.

U.S. crop ratings deteriorated for the fourth consecutive week, USDA reported, with good to excellent down a percentage point to 41 percent and poor to very poor up two points to 30 percent.

Good-excellent stood 11 points below and poor-very poor 10 points above the 10-year averages. Conditions were the lowest of the season.

Cotton rated good to excellent in Texas declined two points to 22 percent, fair dropped a point to 32 percent and poor to very

poor rose two points to 46 percent. In Georgia, good-excellent cotton held steady at 60 percent and poor-very poor gained a point to 7 percent.

Elsewhere, conditions improved in Alabama, Arizona, Missouri, North Carolina and Tennessee; declined in Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Virginia; and held steady in Arkansas and South Carolina.

Cotton setting bolls across the belt expanded four points to 93 percent, against 92 percent a year ago and 87 percent for the five-year average, while boll opening increased five points to 17 percent, up from 15 percent and 14 percent, respectively.

Net U.S. all-cotton weekly export sales came in about as expected at 87,900 running bales, boosting 2012-13 commitments to 4.469 million. This is about 38 percent of the USDA forecast. Bookings by China totaled about 42 percent.

All-cotton shipments of 145,100 running bales boosted the season's exports for the young season to 341,600, up from 257,300 bales a year ago.

Meanwhile, producer on-call fixations based in December jumped to 3,106 lots during the week ended Aug. 17, reducing their unfixed holdings to 15,869 lots, according to the latest data from the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

Unfixed mill holdings dipped 75 lots to 16,751. On a net basis, mills had 882 more lots to be priced than did producers. This reflected a flip-flop from a week earlier when unfixed producer positions outweighed those on the mill side by 2,149 lots.

## Five new Lone Star Healthy Streams manuals available to public

**COLLEGE STATION**

A group of research scientists, resource conservation agencies, agricultural groups and producers have collaborated to compile five new Lone Star Healthy Streams manuals, all of which are now available to the general public, according to sources.

The Lone Star Healthy Streams program aims to educate Texas livestock producers and land managers on how to best protect Texas waterways from bacterial contributions associated with livestock production and feral hogs, said Jennifer Peterson, Texas AgriLife Extension Service program specialist - water quality.

Peterson and Dr. Larry Redmon, AgriLife Extension state forage specialist, are working to get the manuals to producers and others needing best management practices for reducing E. coli bacteria in rivers and streams.

The two said about 300 Texas water bodies currently do not comply with state water quality standards established for E. coli.

By getting best management practices to landowners dealing with beef and dairy cattle, horses, poultry or feral hogs, they hope to help landowners further protect Texas waterways from sediment, nutrient and pesticide runoff, Peterson said.

The Lone Star Healthy Streams program is a partnership between AgriLife Extension, the Texas State

Soil and Water Conservation Board and the Texas Water Resources Institute. The program is funded by the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board through Environmental Protection Agency funds.

The Lone Star Healthy Streams program has been well received by producers across the state and endorsed by seven livestock groups and three natural resource agencies, Redmon said.

He said in fiscal year 2012 alone, two to three beef cattle educational programs have been delivered each month, reaching more than 3,000 producers throughout Texas. In addition to direct delivery of these educational programs, the Lone Star Healthy Streams website averages 45 unique visitors per month.

Printed copies of the manuals are now available by contacting Peterson at 979-862-8072 or jlpeter@ag.tamu.edu. The manuals also are available electronically for download from the AgriLife Extension Bookstore website at <http://agrilifebookstore.org>.

Publication numbers for the manuals are: Beef Cattle, B-6245; Dairy Cattle, B-6253; Horses, B-6254; Poultry, B-6255; and Feral Hogs, B-6256.

More information on the Lone Star Health Streams program can be found at <http://Lshs.tamu.edu>.

# LOCKNEY SCHOOL

## Bramlet attends Texas 4-H Congress in Austin



JAKE BRAMLET

Jake Bramlet attended Texas 4-H Congress in Austin, Texas during July. Three hundred and fifty 4-H members from across the state came together to learn and take part in a mock legislative session in the Texas State Capitol. Jake served

as a Senator as well as the Senate Judiciary committee leader during the event.

4-H'ers were able to write and submit their own bills, have public hearings, debate bills on the Senate and House floors, cast their votes, and present the bills

to the Governor to be signed and passed into law.

Jake is a seven-year member of Floyd County 4-H and served as the District 2 Council President and a member to the Texas 4-H Council during the 2011-2012 year.

## Wayland opens theatre season with *Peanuts*

PLAINVIEW -- Wayland Baptist University's School of Fine Arts 2012-13 theatre season opens "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown" and ends with another run at Ruidoso's Spencer Mountain Theatre Collaborative.

Dr. Marti Runnels, Dean of the School of Fine Arts and Director of Theatre, is reaching back 23 years to resurrect the first play he ever directed at Wayland as this year's WBU Homecoming musical. The play is scheduled for Oct. 18-20 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$5 for children.

"When I first came here, I thought it would be a great first show," Runnels said. "I thought it was a great show to start with because it appeals to everyone."

Runnels explained that there are certain sections of comedy that are very entertaining to varying segments of the theatre crowd, but don't have the same kind of universal appeal that is seen with Schulz's *Peanuts* characters.

"If you start talking about *Peanuts* or Charlie Brown, you can almost see a smile come across everybody's face," Runnels said.

Based on the *Peanuts* characters, "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown" is a musical that looks at little moments in Charlie Brown's life. Charlie, Snoopy and the gang experience everything from Valentine's Day to baseball season and emotions ranging from wild optimism to utter despair.

The next show on the schedule is "Shorts - Sweet Little Sixteen," running Nov. 15-18 with shows at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday and a 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday. Tickets cost \$8.

A staple on the WBU stage, "Shorts" is a collection of short plays ranging from the comedic to dramatic, generally directed by a WBU theatre upperclassman. This year, however, Runnels said "Shorts" will be different.

"We have more students involved in theatre than ever before," Runnels said. "While our department is as big as it has ever been, they are mainly underclassmen." This year's set of shorts will be directed by former students who are still in the area. The list of directors includes Tisa Whitfill and Jennifer Riley who teach at Plainview High School, and Wes Naron, a longtime Plainview resident who is teaching at Cotton Center.

Following "Shorts," Runnels will step away from the Wayland stage to produce and direct the play "Seven" for Second Baptist Church in Lubbock. Runnels directed "Seven" for Wayland a few years ago and has reassembled the cast to perform a fundraising benefit for Women's Protective Services.

"Seven" takes a look at seven women from seven different countries around the world and their rise to powerful positions.

"It's a story of empowering women who in many cases have endured incredible hardships," Runnels said. "It's not a victim play. It's a play about the places these women have taken in their own countries -- incredible positions of leadership and how they got there."

"Seven" will show at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 in Lubbock. Tickets for these shows must be purchased through Select-A-Seat at

806-770-2000.

Wayland's spring show will be a production of David Mamet's "The Water Engine" scheduled for Feb. 28 and March 1 and 2 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$8.

The show is the story of a young inventor who found a way to run an engine on distilled water. Set in the 1930s, the controversial technology is sought after by crooked lawyers, while newspaper stories and murder threaten its unveiling.

"It's a very unique piece of theatre because it is a combination between a play and a radio broadcast," Runnels said. "When an audience watches this piece, part of the time they will be watching as if they were in a radio studio with people behind microphones and somebody doing sound effects. As they watch the radio drama it starts becoming the play that the radio drama is enacting. It moves between the representational and the presentation ... between the fantasy world, radio drama and the actual drama that is unfolding."

Wayland will also present "The Water Engine" as the school's entry into the Christian University Theatre Festival on March 4-6. Tickets to Wayland's show will cost \$4.

The Wayland theatre season will culminate in another trip to Ruidoso for the Spencer Theatre Collaborative on June 7. Runnels has not yet decided on a show for that production.

Season tickets, not including "Seven" and the Spencer show, are on sale for \$26 or two for \$50. For more information, contact the Wayland Theatre Office at 806-291-1060.

## \$10,000 College Natural Resource Scholarships Available: Deadline September 30th

SAN ANTONIO -- The Texas Wildlife Association Foundation (TWAF) and the San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Inc. (SALE) have joined forces to offer five \$10,000 Natural Resource Excellence in Education Scholarships in the fall of 2011. The scholarships will be awarded to five freshmen at Texas universities who are majoring in natural resource related field such as agricultural science, wildlife science, forestry, range science, or similar majors.

Completed applications must be postmarked by September 30th, 2012, and are available at [www.texas-wildlife.org](http://www.texas-wildlife.org)

"As our population has grown, the strain on our natural resources has grown proportionately," said TWAF Trustee Charles Davidson. "Our future depends on our ability to manage our natural resources wisely, balancing the needs of man and nature. It just makes sense to identify our future leaders and support them while they are getting their educations. We

all will benefit from their expertise in the years to come."

This is the sixth time that TWAF and SALE have teamed up to offer scholarships to future natural resource professionals. To date, \$210,000 in scholarships have been awarded through this partnership.

To be eligible for the scholarship, a student must be:

- A Texas resident;
- A graduate of a Texas high school;
- Enrolled in a Texas accredited college or university with a natural resource/agricultural degree program;
- Classified as a "Freshman" or in first year after high school in the accredited program;
- Majoring in a natural resource related field such as agricultural science, wildlife science, forestry, range science, etc.;
- A citizen of the United States and provide a valid social security number if chosen

Students must also maintain 12 hours per semester and a minimum 2.0 GPA per semester and 2.5 cumulative

GPA.

Scholarships are awarded based on overall quality and on essay responses to a series of natural resource questions.

Additional Information: In 1991 leaders of the Texas Wildlife Association created the Texas Wildlife Association Foundation (TWAF) to help fund the organization's education and conservation initiatives. Currently, TWAF invests in projects that educate Texans on the positive effects of land stewardship, foster habitat and wildlife conservation, and preserve our hunting heritage. TWAF supports programs that promote natural resource literacy in schools, through its Learning Across New Dimensions in Science (L.A.N.D.S.) initiative. TWAF also supports youth hunting and youth wildlife leadership programs. In addition, TWAF trains land stewards and conservation leaders through workshops, field days, and effective conservation collaborations.

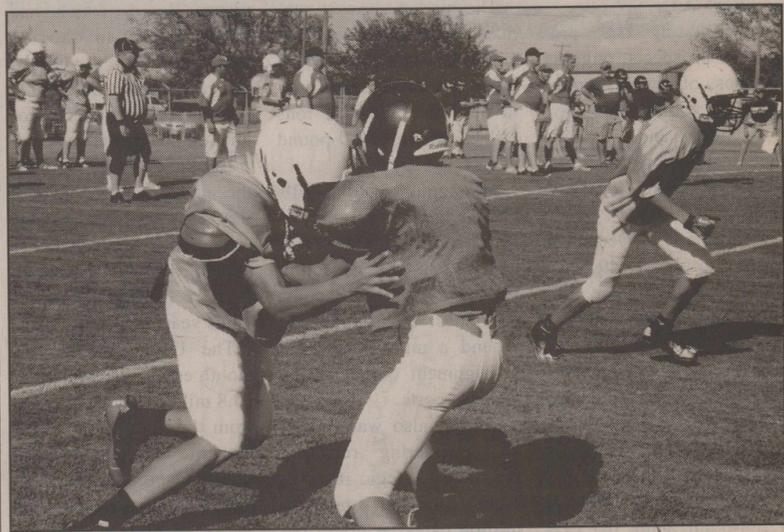


Photo by Jennifer Harbin

The Lockney Longhorns took on Crosbyton during a scrimmage on Friday, August 24, in preparation for their first game this week.

## SPC Byron Martin to offer recession proof life tools workshop in September

LUBBOCK -- South Plains College Byron Martin Advanced Technology Center will be the site of the "Recession-Proof Life: How to Achieve Financial Stability in an Unstable Economy" workshop set from 6 to 8 p.m. Sept. 17-20 in Room 141.

The cost of the workshop

is \$149, and enrollment is limited to 30 students. A \$15 workbook will be available at the workshop. The registration fee will be accepted at the Byron Martin ATC.

The goal of the workshop is to teach consumers how to create a budget, manage finances, spend and save more effectively, manage

time and projects, create menu plans, cooking for the freezer, the use of coupons and sales to increase buying power, and other strategies.

For more information, contact Beth McCay at (806) 407-0903 or Valerie Cox, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, at (806) 392-7708.



Photo by Jennifer Harbin  
Hannah Kasner, daughter of Andy and Rachel Kasner of Lockney, shows off her outfit at the Lockney scrimmage against Crosbyton on Friday, August 24. She says that she wants to be cheerleader for the Lockney Longhorns when she grows up.

Gutter Cleaning Tips That Can Save Your Life

If more homeowners knew the proper way to clean out their roof gutters, there would be less deaths and injuries. Fall is the season when gutters are cleaned out in preparation for the rainy season ahead. If the rainwater doesn't flow properly through the gutter and downspout system, costly home repairs can add up from rainwater damage. It's time to clean out those clogged gutters, and to do it safely.

According to Robert Lenney, Gutterglove gutter guard inventor and gutter cleaning expert whose company has cleaned out more than 6 million feet of gutter since 1996, being properly educated in the art of gutter cleaning is the key to a successful and safe cleaning experience.

"Cleaning out gutters is pretty easy as long as you know what you are doing," replies Lenney. "Everytime I hear of someone getting hurt from cleaning their gutters makes me cringe, because it could most likely have been avoided had they followed proper cleaning procedures."

There are a variety of gutter cleaning tips that can bring sanity into this tedious task. Some of the basics are listed below by Lenney:

Ladder Safety: Always let someone know you will be using a ladder to work on your roof or gutters. Use a safe and sturdy ladder, preferably with a small shelf strong enough to hold a five-gallon bucket to collect gutter debris. Make sure to secure the bucket with a lanyard. I recommend a four-legged step ladder for a single story home, and an extension ladder for a two-story home. An orchard ladder is not recommended because there are only three legs for support and they can become unbalanced.

A wooden ladder is also not recommended because they are often wobbly and difficult to safely balance. Fiberglass ladders seem to be the sturdiest, but are also the heaviest. If you are cleaning gutters for hours upon hours, muscle fatigue can set in from moving the heavy ladder numerous times. If this is the case, you should try using an aluminum ladder, which is the second-choice option for strength and support.

Inspect the ladder for defects, dents or loose parts before climbing. If your ladder is fastened together with screws and bolts, make sure all parts are tightened. When opening up a step ladder, make sure the extension-hinge arms are fully extended and locked in place.

Garden Hose: Use a garden hose with a pistol-grip trigger spray nozzle. This type of spray nozzle allows you to adjust the water pressure with the use of just one hand. This style of spray nozzle comes with a handy pistol-grip trigger, allowing it to be easily hung over the front edge of the gutter while moving the ladder, or while using a gutter scoop. This type of spray nozzle can be purchased at any hardware store.

Gutter Scoop: Scooping out the leafy debris seems to be the best overall method for cleaning out the gutter. An excellent tool for this job is the bright orange plastic "Gutter Getter" scoop, which can be purchased at most hardware stores. This tool is unique because the front scooping edge is very thin and it forms itself to the bottom of the gutter trough, making it easy to scoop out even the toughest of debris in any size gutter system.

Stay away from using a metal scooping tool because the bottom of the gutter and seams can be damaged and scratched. Scraping the bottom of a steel gutter can introduce areas to rust, and if the bottom of the gutter is already rusting, the rusting process could speed up.

Wear Gloves: Gloves can help protect hands against dirt, rotting leaf debris that often contains bird, pigeon and squirrel droppings that are ridden with bacteria. Gloves can also prevent painful cuts from the torn metal shards of an old, ragged gutter. Cotton gloves can soak up dirty water that exposes skin to bacteria. Leather gloves are not as maneuverable and tend to shrivel up when they dry after cleaning. Rubber gloves can get poked or torn by metal shards in the gutter. Thick, suede glove material is recommended because it is superior to cotton, thin leather or rubber gloves.

Protective Eye Wear: Eye protection is a must because one never knows what might fly out of the downspout when cleaning gutters. People have experienced rats, birds, frogs, wasps and bees leaving at high speeds once they start removing a clog, and the last thing they want to have happen is an eye injury.

Rake Off Roof: Rake all debris off the roof first. Otherwise, the next rain will wash all the debris down into the clean gutter, clogging it up again. Also, debris left on the roof can lead to water damaging up in valleys or around the chimney, which can cause erosion and roof leaks over time.

Rubber Shoes: If walking on the roof is necessary to perform gutter cleaning, it is good to use rubber soled shoes. Rubber soles tend to adhere best and prevent slipping and falls. Roof tops tend to be moist in the morning, so it is best to walk on the roof after the sun is well up in the sky and has dried up all the moisture. Late mornings or early afternoons are the best times to walk on a roof.

Downspouts Unclogged: Make sure the downspouts (leader pipe) are clear. After all the gutters are cleaned

out, run the water hose down the downspout at full pressure. If the water backs up out of the top, a clog is present. Normally, it can be unclogged by tapping on the side of the downspout. But if that doesn't work, the downspout and back need to be removed, and it should be flushed from the bottom. If a clog is present, and the downspout is connected to an underground drain, it is best to disconnect the bottom of the downspout from the underground drain. Otherwise, the clog may move to the underground drain.

Clean Gutters Two Times A Year: Make sure gutters are cleaned at least twice a year, once in the fall and again in the spring. One main reason for cleaning out gutters is to eliminate the possibility of water damage from rainwater runoff due to a clogged gutter. Another reason is to reduce the possibility of rust corrosion. Even though it may not rain during the summer, if there is debris in the steel gutters, the rusting process can speed up. It's difficult for rust to speed up with clean gutters. The faster the rusting process, the sooner new gutters will be needed.

Power Line Hazard: When cleaning gutters around a power line cable that drops from the power pole to the roof of a home, conduct a visual inspection of the electrical cable where it connects to the roof. This is to ensure that the protective wire insulation hasn't rubbed off through years of wear-and-tear by weather and nearby trees. If the cable appears to have damage, do not attempt to repair it. Call a licensed professional electrical contractor to fix it.

If it's raining and there is an electrical wire problem, do not attempt to clean out the gutters until the wires are fixed. Water is a dangerous conductor of electricity. Whether it's raining or not, it would be a good idea to have the electrical wiring repaired before cleaning out your gutters.

Gutter Guards: Using a quality gutter guard can eliminate the need for cleaning out gutters. Consider carefully the manufacturer's claims before purchasing a gutter protection system that keeps out leaves and pine needles, because many promises are made that can't be delivered. Lenney manufacturers the Gutterglove Gutterguard, which are manufactured in the U.S., more information can be found at HYPERLINK "http://www.gutterglove.com/

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Randy's Roundup

A Weekly Newsletter from Congressman Randy Neugebauer

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An American Hero Dies, but Not His Legacy

Neil Armstrong, the first man to walk on the moon, passed away this weekend. My thoughts and prayers are with his family. A true American hero, he inspired a nation to achieve the unthinkable and represents what is great about our country.

EPA's attempt to target Texas struck down by U.S. Court

Last week, a U.S. Court of Appeals struck down a flawed Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) rule that would have hurt electric plants throughout the United States, particularly those in Texas.

The Court found that the EPA stretched their authority by dictating how states

would reduce emissions instead of allowing states to design their own plans.

EPA regulations continue to be too burdensome for energy producers in our country, and particularly in our state. More regulations from this misguided bureaucracy result in less energy production and fewer jobs.

Planned Parenthood Funding Cut in Texas

Last week, a decision by a federal appeals court ensures that taxpayers will not be forced to fund abortion providers in Texas.

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Health Program, sued Texas to continue to receive funding from the state. Texas will continue to fund the Women's Health Program, which provides low-income women with health care options, family planning services and annual exams, but will cut off funding to Planned Parenthood and other organizations linked to abortion providers.

I support the Court's decision, and do not believe taxpayer money should ever subsidize organizations that advocate for elective abortion. This decision is a victory for all of those who value the sanctity of life, and I am proud to be a strong voice for the unborn in Congress.

Action Item of the Week

As a new school year begins this week, I want to wish every student in the 19th District of Texas a successful and prosperous year of learning, growing, and achieving.

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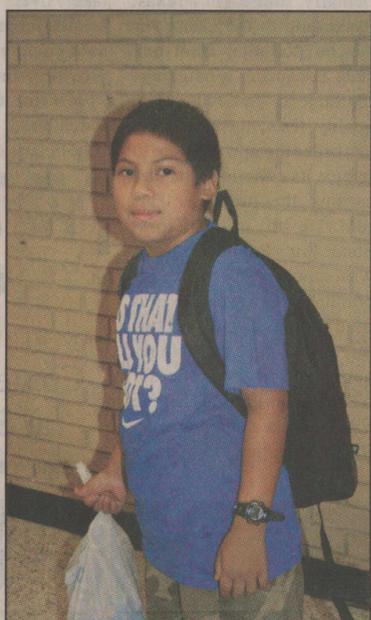
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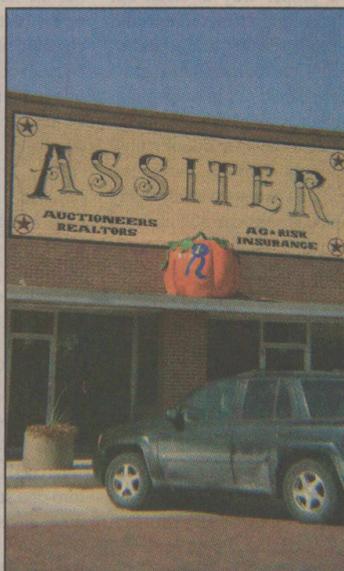
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# BACK TO SCHOOL

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# PUMPKIN PATCH OF PRIDE



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Pumpkins, hand-crafted by Adam Soto, dot the landscape in Floydada from downtown to Highway 70. The pumpkins were designed by Soto, an expert in fiber glass construction, among other things, and sold to local businesses to help build the town's image and encourage visitors to stop.

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Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Bill Harbin welcomes Delbert Smith, his boss from when he worked at Lamb County Electric, to his reception.

distribution cooperatives in Texas and Oklahoma. He is also currently Chairman of the Board of G&L Utilities, the owner of GreenLight Gas, a natural gas distribution company headquartered in Memphis, Texas, which is a partnership of Lighthouse and Greenbelt Electric Cooperative of Wellington. He is also a member of the Resolutions Committee of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. In the past he has served on the board of Aces Power Marketing headquartered in Indianap-

olis, Indiana, was Chairman of the regional Group 5 Managers Association, and has chaired the Board of Directors of Texas Electric Cooperatives, the statewide organization headquartered in Austin. Harbin has been married to his high school sweetheart, the former Linda Dement, since 1967. Linda, who is also a Texas Tech graduate, is retired from the Floydada Independent School District where she taught elementary school. They are the parents of Joe Aaron of Carthage, Mississippi, and Jen-

nifer Harbin of Floydada, and have three grandsons, Austin, Cole, and Billy. A colleague, general manager of an area electric cooperative, had this to say about Harbin at the reception, "I don't know anyone in the entire electric cooperative business who doesn't like Bill. Not only is he well liked, but he is also highly regarded as a leader, and is known as someone you can count on for sound advice. He is known and highly respected regionally, statewide, and nationally."

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use the newspaper to make announcements as well. "We're hoping to get word out, post pictures...and promote Lockney," said Garcia. The Facebook book page will be beneficial in informing the public about the farmers market, community events, County Fair, when the water restriction will be lifted and when the water

storage tank is completed (which will be no later than September 11, according to Hooten.) Displayed on the page so far are district maps to see what voting district residents are in, when City Council Meetings will be held and general information of interest. "If anyone has any ideas for the page they can call us and

let us know," said Hooten. "(We want to put) whatever we can put on there to inform the public." To join the City of Lockney's Facebook page, visit www.facebook.com and type "City of Lockney" in the search field. Once on their page, "like" them to remain in the loop on the newest developments.



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