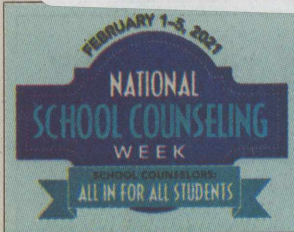
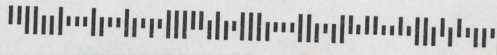
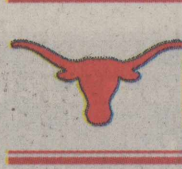


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Whirlwinds wind up as co-champs • Lockney honors seniors

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WHIRLWINDS DISTRICT CO-CHAMPS – The Floydada Whirlwinds are the District 4-2A co-champions after tying with New Deal, with a district record of 7-1. The Winds are 18-4 on the season. On Feb. 13 Floydada lost a close hard-fought seeding game against New Deal, 53-50. The Whirlwinds will play Bovina on Thursday, Feb. 18, at 7:15 p.m. in Littlefield. Whirlwind players are (standing, from left) Trace Glasscock, Brandon Marquez, Devin Henderson, Aiden Trevino, Kyle Bruington, Quincy Gonzales, Jayson Cooper, Dylan Ramos, Justin Delgado, Matthew Morales, Braun Hobbs, Abran Castillo, Noah Garcia; (kneeling, from left) Desmond Wickware and Kaleb Crone. Not pictured are head coach Adam Zepeda and assistant coaches Jonathan Ramirez and Brandon Wickware. | PHOTO COURTESY OF GILBERT TREVINO

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EARLY VOTING BEGINS FEB. 16

HD68 runoff slated for Tuesday

KAY ELLINGTON | HESPERIAN-BEACON

The decision in House District 68 comes down to this week, with a four-day early voting period and a Tuesday, Feb. 23, election day.

The chain of events set in place when former Rep. Drew

Springer, R-Muenster, successfully ran for Texas Senate District 30 in November and vacated his House seat.

A January 23 five-way special election resulted in a runoff between David Spiller, a

Jacksboro attorney and school board trustee, and Craig Carter, a Nocona businessman.

The counties in this area that HD-68 represents include Cottle, King, Dickens, Kent, Motley, Hall and Floyd.



CRAIG CARTER (R)



DAVID SPILLER (R)

Old Maroon Saloon opens in Lockney

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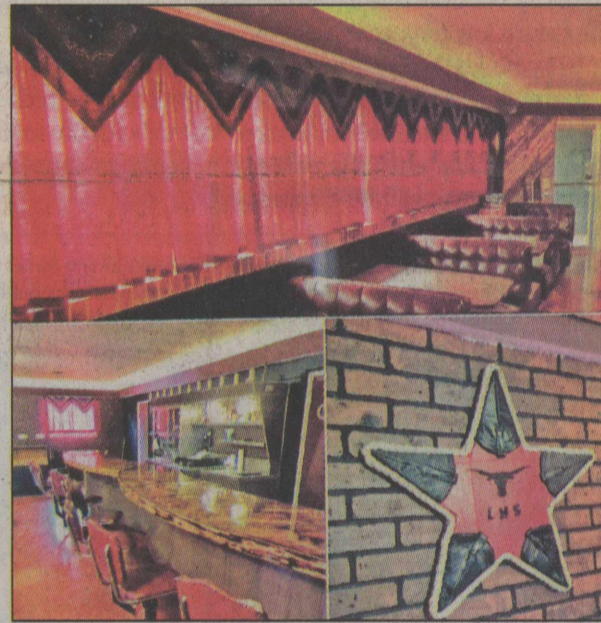
There's a new place to go for an old-fashioned in Lockney.

The Old Maroon Saloon at 615 US 70 opened up just before New Year's and held its first happy hour on January 9. Owners Danny Huggins and Blake Milstead recently hosted a Super Bowl party and a UFC fight, as well as ongoing regular events like Ladies' Night each Thursday.

They've been showing off the new jukebox and inviting customers out for drinks, pool and darts.

The menu is another attraction. The kitchen offers pulled pork sandwiches, chili dogs, and "Cowboy Nachos." For those who would like it, there is also coffee.

Bartenders are serving from 5:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. Thursday through Saturday, though the business has a Facebook page to consult for special events or further information about their hours. | COURTESY PHOTO



Winter weather, office closings delay final word on filings

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FLOYD COUNTY—Due to winter weather and power outages on Monday, courthouse and city staff could not be reached to confirm last-minute filings before this week's press deadline. We'll update you on final ballots on social media and in next week's issue.

Incumbent Bobby Gilliland is up for reelection for Mayor of Floydada but had not filed as of our latest reporting. Floydada City Council incumbent Dana Crossland has filed for reelection to District 2, and incumbent Steve Lloyd has is up for reelection in District 3 but had not yet but not filed as of our most recent reports. All are unopposed at this time.

The Floydada Collegiate ISD School Board has two positions up for reelection. Incumbents Roger Hughes (District 1) and Brianne Glasscock (District 2) have filed.

Both are unopposed at this time.

In Lockney, three incumbents have filed for reelection to their City Council seats. In District 1, incumbent Donnie McLaughlin is running unopposed at this time. Incumbent Aaron Wilson (District 2) is also running unopposed at this time. In District 3, Alberto Soto-Gonzalez has filed challenging incumbent Dart Carthel.

Two LISD School Board seats are up for re-election. For Precinct 1, incumbent Tyler Duniven has filed in Precinct 1 and runs unopposed at this time. In Precinct 2, Kayla Sherman has filed to run against incumbent Mike Lass. Lass filed for re-election last week.

Voters will determine which candidates fill these positions on May 1, 2021.

UPCOMING

WHIRLWINDS BI-DISTRICT BASKETBALL PLAYOFF

The Floydada Whirlwinds will play Bovina in the bi-district playoff game at 7:15 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 18 at the Littlefield Gym. Ticket info TBA.

LADY WINDS SOFTBALL

The Rotan Softball Tournament scheduled for February 18-20 has been canceled due to weather.

FBC FLOYDADA REVIVAL

The First Baptist Church of Floydada will hold a revival on Sunday, Feb. 21 (10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.) and Monday, Feb. 22 through Wednesday, Feb. 4. A meal will be served at 5:45 p.m. Revival service will start at 6:30 p.m. and will be led by evangelist Herman Cramer. Music will be led by Paul and Christy Newberry.

BURN BAN The Floyd County Commissioners' Court has extended the burn ban for Floyd County until April 12, 2021..

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BACK STAGE

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Hazy Shade of Winter

According to the Weather Channel, Floyd County can expect to be sunny with a high of 51 degrees by Friday and warming all the way up into the 60s next week. That's a balmy forecast compared with the ice, snow and overnight lows of minus 4 degrees we experienced on Valentine's Day.

Whether you love the snow or you're just trying to survive the chill, it's not just a winter wonderland.

"The severity of this cold weather is unprecedented in Texas history," said Governor Gregg Abbott, who had declared a state of emergency by Friday.

As of Monday afternoon, even Austin was still under a winter storm warning, according to the National Weather Service. Galveston saw snow on the beach for the first time in a dozen years.

It's important to understand the dangers and take precautions for this kind of weather, especially if you are thinking about driving. Vehicle accidents and freezing pipes are frequent when we get caught off guard. We may consider this kind of severe cold weather rare, but if we look back, we can find several icy storms in our history.

In late March of 1957, a blizzard dropped 10 to 20 inches of snow on the Panhandle and made travel impossible, even for snowplows. According to one source, the area lost 20% of its cattle due to the extreme weather. More recently, Winter Storm Goliath of 2015 was one of the worst blizzards West Texas has ever had. Winds up to 50 mph took down trees and power lines, and Cannon AFB just over the line in New Mexico reported 8-foot snowdrifts. Some storms, like one in 2017, have left a thousand miles of icy roads.

With moody Texas temperatures and rural communities in mind, we want to be sure our neighbors know where to go for help. Please look to local resources if you are concerned about being prepared for future severe weather. Contact Community Action Floydada for assistance at (806) 983-3134, or you can apply online for the federally funded Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LEHEAP).

For further information about local organizations that may be able to assist with cold weather needs, contact the Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon editor's phone at (806) 412-8200.

Snow, ice, single-digit temps blanket the state

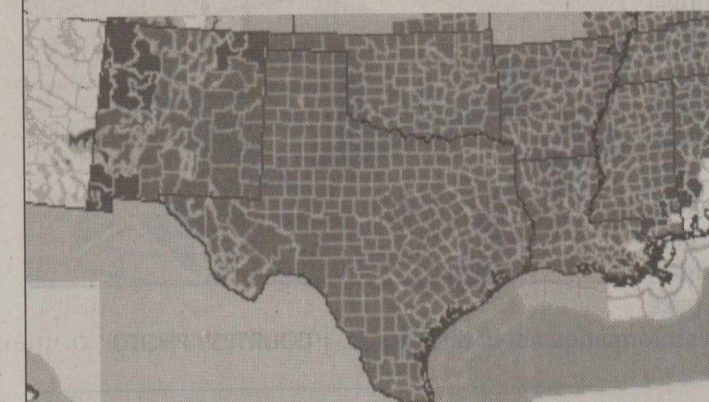
AUSTIN—Texans from Lubbock to Longview shivered under single-digit temperatures as their week began, with snow and ice creating dangerous road conditions throughout the state. Gov. Greg Abbott issued a disaster declaration for all 254 Texas counties and urged residents to stay alert to changing weather conditions. The Texas Division of Emergency Management deployed resources from various state agencies to prepare roadways, assist motorists, remove downed trees and perform search-and-rescue operations if necessary. State officials with both the Electric Reliability Council of Texas and the Public Utility Commission asked residents to conserve as much power as possible due to the record demand for electricity caused by the record low temperatures.

"The lowest temperatures Texas has seen in decades necessitate a shared response across the state, from households to factories," said PUC chairman DeAnn Walker. "Along with the tools ERCOT uses to maintain the reliability of the grid, common-sense conservation also plays a critical role in our state's endurance of this challenge."



Capital Highlights
by GARY BORDERS

ALL 254 TEXAS COUNTIES were under a winter storm warning earlier this week, when temperatures reached subzero lows in the Caprock Courier readership area and several inches of snow fell. | NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE



Take precautions when using space heaters. The harsh weather, which in much of the state could continue until the weekend, means more Texans are relying on space heaters. "But be cautious," said Orlando Hernandez, the state fire marshal. "In the past few years, several fatal Texas fires were started by space heaters."

Hernandez offered four tips for space heater safety:

- Inspect a heater before you use it. Make sure there are no cracked or broken plugs or loose connections.
- Plug space heaters directly into a wall outlet.
- Keep your space heater at least three feet from anything that can burn.
- Turn off your space heaters before you leave the room or go to bed. Look for models that shut off automatically when tipped over.

About 80% of home heating fire fatalities nationally involve space heaters, according to the National Fire Protection Association.

More than 1 million Texans fully vaccinated. The state passed the one million mark of Texans who have received both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services. More than 2.8 million have received the first dose.

The state, as it did last week, is receiving more than 400,000 doses. The vaccine is being shipped from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to 302 providers in 158 counties. In addition, the federal government has shipped 80,000 doses across the state to 376 pharmacies, including CVS, H-E-B, Walmart and a group of independent pharmacies. Details of the allocations are available on the DSHS vaccine allocations page (<https://tinyurl.com/1klvfcfp>).

The number of new cases of COVID-19 continues to drop, with 73,888 reported statewide last week, down more than 50% from the record high of nearly 159,000 recorded Jan. 10-16. However, weekly fatalities continue to hover just below 2,000, not far below the record high of 2,311 set the week of Jan. 17.

COVID-19 rental relief program unveiled. Renters hard hit by the pandemic with job losses now can seek relief through the Texas Rent Relief Program, which was rolled out on Monday, Feb. 15. More than \$1 billion has been allocated to Texas through the latest COVID-19 federal stimulus bill to assist tenants in paying rent and utilities. It will be administered by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs. See CAPITAL, page 9

Perry committee assignments announced

COMPILED FROM MEDIA REPORTS

AUSTIN—State Senator Charles Perry, R-Lubbock, who represents Dickens and Kent counties, was named chairman of the Senate Water, Agriculture and Rural Affairs committee, co-chair of another, and as a member on four others.

"I want to thank Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick for his continued confidence in me and his commitment to strong rural representation on substantive committees. I welcome the six committee assignments and the heavy workload that accompanies them," Perry said. "Covid-19 has changed how that work will be completed, but my commitment to Senate District 28 and the state remains the same. I will work to find solutions that will make Texas a better state to live, work and raise a family."

Patrick said the committee appointments

accompany a call to craft public policy. "The committee appointments I am making today call on all senators—Republicans and Democrats, freshmen and senior members—to play an integral role in crafting public policy that will ensure our state remains strong and every Texan can prosper," he said. "They have been working throughout the interim and are hitting the ground running. I look forward to a productive legislative session."

Perry said in addition to the committee he will chair, he will serve as vice-chair on the Health and Human Services committee. "I was appointed as chair of the Senate Committee on Water, Agriculture and Rural Affairs and as vice-chair of the Health and Human Services Committee. He also selected me to serve on the Finance, Redistricting, Education and Transportation committees."

FLOYD COUNTY COVID-19 REPORT

As of Friday, Feb. 12, Floyd County officials have reported 325 total cases (+25) with 298 cases (+35) reported as recovered. Floyd County has 7 active cases (-10) and has had 20 deaths (+0).

- CASE #325: FLOYDADA — Male 60-69 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #324: LOCKNEY — Male 50-59 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #323: LOCKNEY — Female 50-59 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #322: LOCKNEY — Male 50-59 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #321: FLOYDADA — Male 30-39 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #320: LOCKNEY — Female 30-39 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #319: LOCKNEY — Female 70-79 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #318: FLOYDADA — Female 10-19 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #317: LOCKNEY — Female 60-69 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #316: LOCKNEY — Female 40-49 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #315: FLOYDADA — Male 70-79 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #314: LOCKNEY — Male 60-69 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #313: LOCKNEY — Female 80-89 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #312: LOCKNEY — Male 1-9 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #311: FLOYDADA — Female 50-59 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #310: FLOYDADA — Female 60-69 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #309: FLOYDADA — Male 60-69 years of age. Recovered.
- CASE #308: LOCKNEY — Male 10-19 years of age. Home recovery.
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- CASE #306: FLOYDADA — Female 10-19 years of age. Home recovery.
- CASE #305: FLOYDADA — Male 80-89 years of age. Home recovery.
- CASE #304: LOCKNEY — Female 10-19 years of age. Home recovery.
- CASE #303: LOCKNEY — Male 10-19 years of age. Home recovery.
- CASE #302: FLOYDADA — Female 80-89 years of age. Home recovery.
- CASE #301: LOCKNEY — Female 30-39 years of age. Home recovery.
- CASE #300: FLOYDADA — Male 10-19 years of age. Home recovery.

(Cases #1 through #300 have been recorded as recovered, deceased or unknown status.)

2021 Community Calendar

COMMUNITY SERVICES

FOOD BANKS—FLOYDADA—Spirit of Sharing (SOS), 925 Crockett St., Floydada, Mon. and Thurs., 2–4:30 p.m. (806) 983-5874.
LOCKNEY—Lockney Salvation Army, 108 S. Main, Lockney. (806) 652-2448. PLEASE CALL FOR HOURS DUE TO COVID-19.

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

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

FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER, 925 W. Crockett St., Floydada, serves lunch 11 a.m.–1 p.m. Wed. and Thurs. only during February. Dine-in, delivery in Floydada, or pickup. (806) 983-2032.

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

FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM, 105 E. Missouri St., Floydada, is open weekday afternoons from 1 to 5 p.m. and by appointment. (806) 983-2415.

FLOYDADA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & AGRICULTURE, 105 S. 5th St., Floydada, 8 a.m.–5 p.m. (806) 983-3434.

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

PUBLIC AND CIVIC MEETINGS COMING UP

FLOYD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT Mon., March 9, 8 a.m., County Courthouse, 100 Main St., Floydada.

FLOYDADA CITY COUNCIL Tues., March 16, 7 p.m., City Hall, 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada.

LOCKNEY CITY COUNCIL Tues., March 16, 7 a.m., City Hall, 218 E. Locust St., Lockney.

FLOYDADA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Thurs., March 11, at 6 p.m., Fisd School Administration offices, 226 W. California St., Floydada.

- LIONS CLUB AND ROTARY
Floydada Rotary Club—Wednesdays, 12 noon, Floydada Senior Citizens Center.
Floydada Lions Club—Thursdays, 12 noon, Floydada Senior Citizens Center.
Lockney Rotary Club—Fridays, 12 noon, Lockney Senior Citizens Center.



COOKIE MISSION Floydada Girl Scout Troop 6210 donated boxes of cookies to the first responders on Monday, Feb. 8 to thank them for their services and for all they do for our communities. Girl Scouts members are Zaybree Back, Ella Snowden, Emily Williams, Cali Carr, Cora Carr, Addison Hinson, Aybree Taylor, Taniah Hawthorne, and Ta'Kiya Briley. Girl Scout leader is Jannifer Williams. The Floydada EMS and Lockney EMS is staffed by Katrina Gooch, Mike Reeves, Lyndall Stapp, David Hughes, Placido Gonzales, J.C. Chappell, Marty Medellin, Sheryl Back, Trey Mayer, Larron Little, Tina Brooks, Able Luna, Estella Luna, Meagan Vasquez, and Justin Wright. Floyd County Sheriff's office includes Sheriff Paul Raissez, and Sheriff Deputies Josh Rocha, Ruben DeLeon, Steven Cruz, Alex Gutierrez, Paula Vasquez, Vivian Martinez and Sam Ureste. The Floydada Police Department includes Police Chief Reuben Ramon, and Police Officers Marco Martinez, Martha Garza, Aaron Duran and Quinten Sells. In the Floydada and Lockney Fire Departments the volunteers are Justin Martinez, Larron Little, Bobby Vargas, Rocket Vega, Chad Guthrie, Roy Moreno, Larry Guthrie, Roel Cisneros, George Romero, Rusty Hopper, Harvey Garza, Josh Barrientos, Joe Ortiz, Jeff Sullivan, Darrell Gooch, Reuben Ramon, Zack Little, Brett Turner, Randell Sims, Joe Barrientos, Austin Campbell, Eric Rainwater and Cowboy Wylie. | TERESA BIGHAM PHOTO



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Foodbytes

ANGELINA LARUE

Hasselback Chicken with Wedge Salad a quick weeknight dinner

I remember a time when we primarily purchased “whole” chickens to cook. I can picture my mom at the kitchen counter with her favorite sharp knife cutting the bird into the various pieces. Unless a recipe called for deboning a chicken after it’s cooked, we only ate our chicken “on-the-bone,” and with the skin intact, I might add.

Many times, this is still the best way to prepare chicken. But I bet my mom sure loved the day the local grocery stores started offering pre-cut chicken pieces. At least she never had it like my grandmother did. I recall her stories of having to wring the chicken’s neck and pluck all the feathers off first!

In my opinion, being able to walk into the store and purchase boneless, skinless chicken breasts revolutionized the way we cook. My mom saved cutting up chicken for a Sunday dinner when she had more time on the weekends. But for many years now, we turn to chicken as a quick weeknight meal, with it being so easy to toss boneless, skinless chicken breasts or thighs into a pan to fry, bake, or poach. It is perhaps even simpler to throw some on the grill with a little seasoning or barbecue sauce. Plus, they cook very quickly in any of these applications.

Hasselback Chicken will be a good, quick-fix dinner to have in your rotation. The boneless-skinless chicken breast has slits cut into it the way you may have seen potatoes fanned open so lots of extra flavor can be added in between each section.

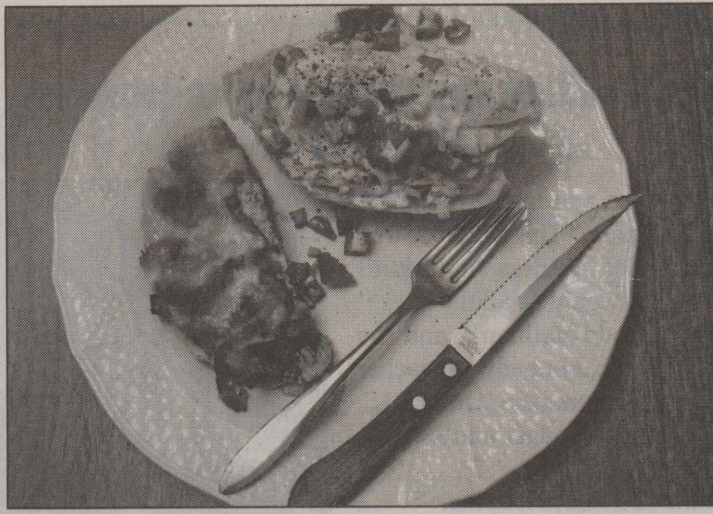
This recipe for wedge salad even takes the process of tearing up lettuce out of your busy schedule. Keep the homemade buttermilk dressing mix on hand to use for whipping up the dressing for the salad, and to use as a dry rub on the chicken. Enjoy food made fresh!

Hasselback Chicken with Wedge Salad & Buttermilk Dressing

- 4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 2 teaspoons buttermilk dressing mix (recipe follows)
- 4 slices thin-cut deli ham
- 1 cup grated cheddar cheese
- 1 teaspoon butter, for baking dish
- Preheat oven to 400° F. Grease a medium baking dish with butter.

Cut 4 slits into the fleshier side of each chicken breast, leaving the flesh intact on the bottom of the breast.

Season with buttermilk dressing mix, front, back, and in between each slit of the chicken breasts. Place into buttered baking



HASSELBACK CHICKEN is a good, quick-fix dinner to have in your rotation. The boneless-skinless chicken breast has slits cut into it, so that lots of extra flavor can be added in between each section. | ANGELINA LARUE

dish.

Cut each slice of ham into quarters. Place a piece into each slit of the chicken. Top with grated cheddar.

Bake for 20 to 25 minutes until juices in chicken run clear when punctured with the tines of a fork.

BUTTERMILK DRESSING MIX

- ½ cup powdered buttermilk
- 2 tablespoons dried parsley
- 1 tablespoon onion powder
- 2 teaspoons onion flakes
- 2 teaspoons dried chives
- 1 ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon dried dill
- ¾ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon ground black pepper

Place all ingredients in a jar. Cover with lid and shake until well combined. Store in a dry place for up to 1 month.

Use as a seasoning for meats and vegetables. To make salad dressing, mix 2 tablespoons of the mix with ½ cup sour cream, and ½ cup mayonnaise. Add enough milk to create the consistency you desire.

WEDGE SALAD

Trim outer leaves off of 1 head iceberg lettuce. Cut head into quarters.

Plate the lettuce wedges and drizzle on 2 to 3 tablespoons of buttermilk dressing. Top with your favorite tossed salad ingredients such as diced tomato, spring onion and crumbled blue cheese. Add freshly ground black pepper and serve. Makes 4 servings.

Angelina LaRue, author of “The Whole Enchilada,” grew up at White River Lake in Crosby County, Texas, and writes a weekly food column for local newspapers.



COMMENTARY

The 501

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Dr. Buz and the also-ran

It’s easy to be gracious to your competitors when you don’t expect to win anyway.

But what about the runner who was almost to the finish line when the only guy ahead of him tripped? He stopped to pick him up. The third-place runner surpassed them both. Something like that.

Who made the news?

Not the winner but the other two runners—especially the one who gave up his chance at first place to help his fallen competitor.

ACCURACY CHECK.

Well, believe it or not, multiple stories of runners helping other runners have made headlines. The pressure’s off for me to get the facts straight. Call it a metaphor or allegory. Pick one; I get those terms confused. The point? Every race has a winner. But if you really want to make the news, forfeit your chance at winning to help a competitor.

As for races, all sorts of Texas songwriter-musicians vied for e-votes to win the 2020–2021 Don’t Mess With Texas Song Contest. I entered. I voted for various other contestants.

Good for me. But I can’t brag. If I’d thought I might win, I wouldn’t have spread my votes around.

The contest drew over a hundred 30-second jingles from amateurs, winner to be announced eventually. Looking for a boredom-breaking pandemic activity? Listen to all the entries. You’ll kill at least an hour. Think “American Idol” off steroids. You get to be a judge. Except voting has ended. (See www.dontmesswithtexas.org.)

In the last Don’t Mess With Texas song go-round, I actually tried to win. Stressful. This time my aim instead was to be a gracious loser. The best gracious loser ever. Call me competitive.

How do you win the gracious loser contest? It’s easy. You get an edge on the other losing contestants by conceding ahead of time. For example, I hastened to tell Dr. Buz, Russell Bellair and Joe Brooklyn that they had me beat.

Yes, one of the three actually could win. But at least two are going to be losers like me.

Dr. Buz? His day job is fixing shoulders. He’s bilingual. So’s his Don’t Mess With Texas song. Clever! Too late for me. ¡Buena idea! Yo soy tarde.

Dr. Buz and I connected early in the scheme of things via YouTube thanks to my early concession. I think he likes me.

Bellair’s song closes with these lines: “This is your wake-up call; Don’t Mess With Texas, y’all.” What’s catchy is how he squeezes in an alarm clock sound—ding, ding, ding, ding! Wish I’d thought of that trick too.

Joe Brooklyn is originally from New York, of all places. He rocks like Elvis and manages to rhyme “unacceptable” and “receptacle.” Good lyrics, good delivery.

Should a transplanted New Yorker win a Texas song contest?

Why not? Our state motto is Friendship. A win for Joe would prove it. We’d end up with bragging rights to what we claim to be. Something like that.

For lack of another brilliant thought ...

Don’t Mess With Texas!

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CHILI COOKOFF Ron Kuykendall, left, was the winner of the Great American Chili Cookoff held at the First Baptist Church in Lockney on Sunday, Feb. 7. Nine contestants entered the chili cookoff. Dr. Randy Rogers, right, spent the day teaching the book of Revelation with a focus on Chapters 20–22 during the annual FBC Winter Bible Study. Dr. Rogers is the Associate Professor of Biblical Studies at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview. The church congregation got to enjoy all entrants’ chili dishes for lunch. | COURTESY PHOTO



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Floydada Senior Center News

LU ANN COLLINS | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

The Floydada Senior Citizens Center will be open each Wednesday and Thursday during the month of February.

Patrons may either dine in or have the meal delivered. Lunch will be served from 11 a.m. through 1 p.m. For members, the cost is \$6 per plate; for non-members, \$7.

For delivery, please call (806) 983-2032. Membership fee is \$25 per year per person. The Center’s mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, TX 79235.

Thank you for remembering the Center with donations or memorials.

MENU

- THURSDAY, FEB. 18 Chicken fried steak
- WEDNESDAY, FEB. 24 Beef tacos
- THURSDAY, FEB. 25 Meat loaf

(Menu subject to change without notice)

Lockney Senior Center News

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

The Lockney Senior Citizens’ Center has partnered with the South Plains Food Bank (SPFB) in a commitment to make sure no food is wasted. Food boxes with pantry items are available every Thursday at the Center from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Everyone is eligible, there are no income or age requirements. If you are homebound or COVID-19 positive, please call (806) 652-2745 to arrange for a porch drop. All Lockney and Floydada residents are eligible to obtain the food boxes.

The Center has been partnered with SPFB since January and will continue through the months of February and March. The program will be evaluated at the end of March to see if it will continue.

Breakfast is served at the Center each Friday morning from 7 a.m. – 9 a.m. by dine-in or carry-out only. Cost is \$5 per plate.

The Center serves lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday, by curbside pickup, drive-through or delivery. Meals are \$6 for members and \$7 for non-members. The Center’s staff appreciates everyone.

For questions, contact the center at (806) 652-2745. Stay safe.

MENU

- MONDAY, FEB. 22 Steak fingers, gravy, fried potatoes, mixed vegetables, orange sherbet cup
- TUESDAY, FEB. 23 Hamburger basket, French fries, side salad, peanut butter cereal bars
- WEDNESDAY, FEB. 24 Spaghetti w/meat sauce, garlic bread, brownie
- THURSDAY, FEB. 25 Chef salad, Rice Krispie treat
- FRIDAY, FEB. 26 Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, biscuits, gravy/sausage, coffee, juice
Lunch: Hot ham & cheese sandwich, chips, side salad, chocolate pie

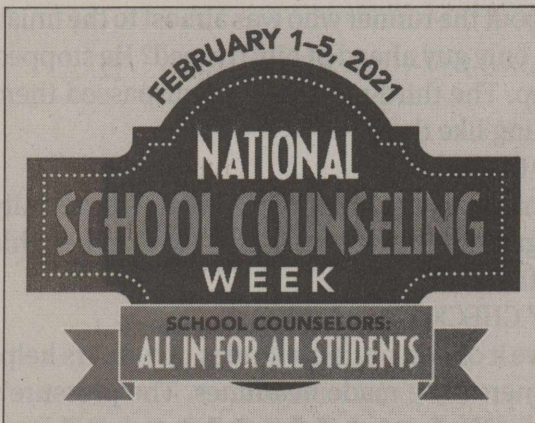
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NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK FEB. 1-5

Lockney school counselors appreciate students, families, and "awesome" co-workers

TERESA BIGHAM | HESPERIAN-BEACON

LOCKNEY—For Shana Hallmark, the favorite part of her job as a school counselor is academically advising kids. Hallmark, who grew up in Lockney and graduated from Lockney



High School, received a bachelor's degree from Wayland Baptist University. She taught sixth and seventh grade math for 10 years before getting her master's degree from West Texas A&M University and becoming the Lockney High School counselor.

"I loved teaching, but I always knew I wanted to pursue a master's degree," said Hallmark. "Becoming a school counselor would still allow me to work with kids the way I enjoy. I like being a resource for them if they have a problem or a need that I can help them with."

The hardest part of her job is balancing the

different responsibilities and tasks she has to accomplish, said Hallmark. "This would be true for anyone in the school business, and what I love most about my job would be all the kids."

She is married to Todd Hallmark, and the couple have two children, Kennedy, a teacher in Plainview ISD, and Bryson, who is in the U.S. Air Force. Her parents are Rodger and Belinda Stapp of Lockney.

In her spare time she enjoys reading.

Mindy Petty, the Lockney Junior High counselor, grew up in Norman, Oklahoma. She graduated from Wayland Baptist University with a bachelor's in elementary education and 17 years later earned a Master of Arts in counseling from Wayland.

Petty said, "I taught for 16 years and I enjoyed that time and the many students I was able to teach. I knew I still wanted to work in education but wanted to step away from teaching. There were many little moments that occurred that made me want to be a school counselor. I enjoy working with kids and helping them find tools to help them at school and in life."

Petty enjoys working with her awesome co-workers and the parents or guardians of Lockney students. "I love the kids," she said.

She is married to Jonathan Petty, director of public relations for Wayland Baptist University. The couple have one daughter, Karissa, a 2018 LHS graduate who is currently in her senior year at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor.



SHANA HALLMARK



MINDY PETTY

OBITUARIES

Charles Luther McDowell, 1931-2021

PAMPA—Charles Luther McDowell, 89, of Pampa, passed away Wednesday, February 10, 2021 in Pampa.

Graveside services will be 1:00 p.m. Friday, February 19, 2021, at Hamlin Memorial Cemetery with Rev. Dennis Williams, retired Baptist minister, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

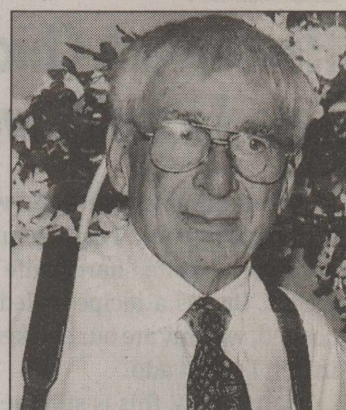
Mr. McDowell was born February 13, 1931, to Leonard E. and Essie Jones McDowell in Stonewall County on the family farm near Aspermont. He was the third of six children. Charles graduated from Aspermont High School and West Texas State University in Canyon. He married Ina Rheille Kelly in 1951; she was the love of his life for 69 years. Charles was a math teacher and loved teaching and always hoped he was making a difference. During his retirement they lived at Lake Kemp in Seymour and loved growing flowers and keeping up his yard. Charles was a loving husband and father who dedicated his life to taking care of his son, Kerry, after a work-related accident. He was known as Pawpaw by his grandchildren.

Charles is preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Revenia; two brothers, Orthell and Doug; and his precious daughter, Kellie.

He is survived by his wife of the home, Ina; three sons, Rick and Elaine McDowell of Miami, Kerry McDowell of Pampa, and Andy and wife Brenda McDowell of Plainview; two sisters, Francis Clifton of Dumas and Barbara Lawrence and husband Dwayne of Aspermont; nine grandchildren, Camille Cano and husband Junior of Childress, Zach McDowell and wife Pam of Miami, Chas McDowell of Greenwood, Arkansas, Jeremy McDowell and wife Bridgett of Mansfield, Arkansas, Kendra Alverson and husband Garret of Lawton, Oklahoma, Kelsey Leslie and husband Brennan of Wichita Falls, Kazdy McDowell of Plainview, Reagan Mones and husband Joe of Grand Prairie, and Chrystal Cunningham and husband James of Amarillo; 18 great-grandchildren, Rifle, Laike, Ashleigh, Rickey, Levi, Freedom, Shyann, Sadie, Jocelyn, Thomas, Julianna, Josiah, Steven, Brandon, Amy, Tyler, Ella, and Jesse; and two great-great-grandchildren, Summer and Micah.

His passing will leave a hole in our hearts as he will be missed greatly.

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Visitors invited to visit old school during Petersburg Day 2021

STAFF REPORTS

The annual Petersburg Day will be on Saturday, May 22, 2021, with most activities to be held at Petersburg schools. Because of continuing reconstruction, this will be the last opportunity to see the old buildings of Petersburg ISD. Participants will be able to enjoy the parade downtown, have lunch at the school cafeteria, gather for class reunions and take tours through the building.

Don Houchin, class of 1970, has volunteered to create a photo collage from alumni of Petersburg High School. It will be shown during the day at the high school. He has asked that photos be emailed to him at dhouchin1@me.com. Please include 1) name of event, team, game; 2) name of each person in photo left to right; 3) year photo was taken; 4) sender's name and year graduated from PHS. This PowerPoint will be available for purchase on a flash drive that day.

OBITUARIES

Meredith McCullough, 1930-2021

SHALLOWATER—Funeral services for Meredith McCullough, age 91, of Shallowater, Texas, and formerly of Morton, was held at 11 a.m., Tuesday, February 9, 2021, at First Baptist Church in Morton. Brother Rush Coffman of Morton officiated.

Burial was held in the Morton Memorial Cemetery.

Meredith died Wednesday, February 3, 2021, in Shallowater.

She was born January 7, 1930, in Martin County, Texas, to Irvin and Ida (Walker) Myrick.

She married Bill Crone in Martin County on January 7, 1949. After he passed away, Meredith married Wesley McCullough in Shallowater in September of 2002.

Meredith was an avid Baylor Bears basketball fan. She loved her family, especially her grandkids and great-grandkids. She enjoyed reading and camping.

Meredith loved attending and supporting Paisano Baptist Encampment in Alpine, Texas.

She was a past member of the First United Methodist Church in Lockney, Texas, and the First Baptist Church in Morton.

Meredith was a current member of the First Baptist Church in Shallowater.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Bill; her husband, Wesley; a son, Greg Crone; her parents; and two brothers, Jim Myrick and Reggie Myrick.

Meredith is survived by her two daughters, Melody Crone of Seattle, Washington, and Sharon Clements and her husband, Doug, of Shallowater, Texas; her brother, Rodney Myrick of Lampasas, Texas; her four grandchildren, Whitney Clements, Tanya Phillips, Cheyenne Bilberry and Dee Clements; and four great-grandchildren, Tyler Phillips, Timberlyn Philips, Gentry Bilberry and Cooper Bilberry.

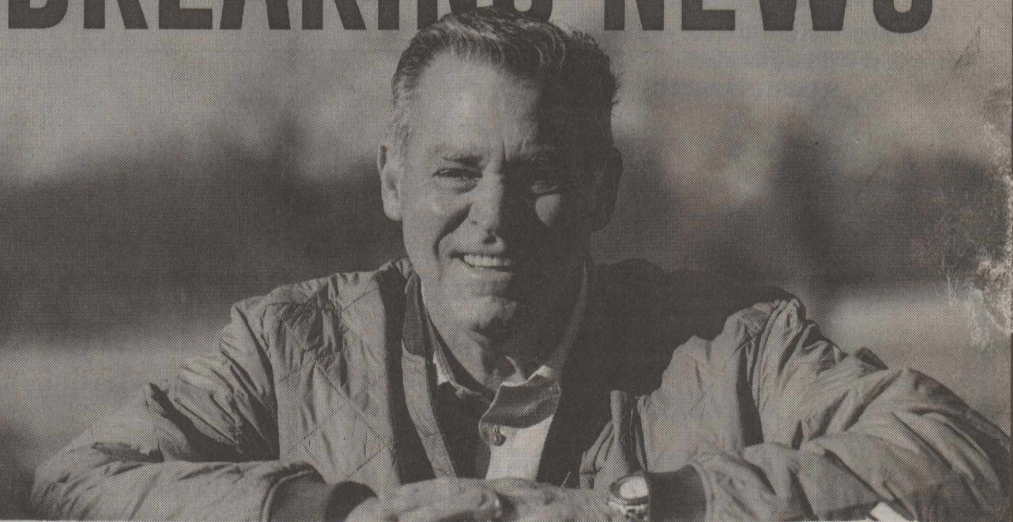
The family suggests memorials be sent to Paisano Baptist Encampment, P. O. Box 973, Alpine, Texas, 79831. Online condolences may be made at www.ellisfuneralhomes.com.



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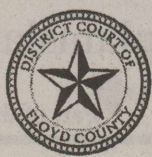
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the 110th District Court, Floyd County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said county in Floydada, Texas at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of Josephine Alonso, Petitioner, filed in said Court on the November 16, 2020 against Laura Lee Mendez and Victorino Hernandez, Respondent(s) and said suit being Number 11137 on the docket of said Court and entitled:

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ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER my hand and seal of said Court at Floydada, Texas on the 5 day of January, 2021.



/s/ Patty Davenport, District Clerk
Floyd County, Texas

Floydada Whirlwinds

Floydada wins co-district, to play Bovina Thursday

COMPILED FROM MEDIA REPORTS

NEW DEAL—For the second straight year, the Floydada Whirlwinds have earned at least a share of the District 4-2A title.

Floydada, ranked 24th, will be the No. 2 seed out of District 4-2A after suffering a 53-50 loss to district co-champion New Deal in a seeding game on Saturday afternoon.

Head coach Adam Zepeda's team has put together yet another amazing year as Floydada was able to overcome the loss to an All-Stater and both of the co-MVPs of

the district from a year ago to put together another successful campaign.

The Whirlwinds will play Bovina Thursday, Feb. 18 at 7:30 p.m. in Littlefield, and will be the home team. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$2 for students. Masks will be required.

A common opponent for this game is that both Floydada and Bovina both played Lockney. Bovina lost its lone meeting with the Longhorns, while the Whirlwinds got the sweep of their Floyd County rival.

Last season, the Whirlwinds captured a pair of gold balls in the playoffs, advancing to the region quarterfinals. This will be Floydada's fifth consecutive playoff appearance.

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Thursday, Feb. 18, 2021
BOVINA VS FLOYDADA
 Littlefield, TX at 7:30 PM
 Whirlwinds are the home team
 Masks required
 Tickets are \$4 for adults,
 \$2 for students

UIL to extend playoff round certification dates due to weather

STAFF REPORTS

AUSTIN—The University Interscholastic League has extended basketball playoff round certification deadlines due to the winter weather that began impacting the Lone Star State earlier this week. Currently, there are 26 bi-district round games that have yet to be played, and coaches are looking to next week to get their respective game in due to weather-related issues.

According to a memo sent to superintendents, UIL is extending certification deadlines for the postseason and district certification for the boys. There is no plan to determine rounds by coin flips.

A plan could be released on games to be played when the weather permits. The UIL also says in the memo that teams which are able to safely travel and complete games "should do so accordingly to the posted certification deadlines."

CURRENT CERTIFICATION DEADLINES

| Date | Round |
|------------|------------------------|
| Feb. 11-13 | Bi-district |
| Feb. 15-16 | Area |
| Feb. 18-20 | Regional Quarterfinals |
| Feb. 22-23 | Regional Semifinals |
| Feb. 26-27 | Regional finals |
| March 1-2 | State Semifinals |
| March 5-6 | State Finals |

A good stage shaping up for FHS

LIZ ADAMS | THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

FLOYDADA—Floydada High School students are preparing to take their show on the road to compete in the UIL One Act Play district competition March 10.

The group will be putting on a production of C.B. Gilford's comedic murder mystery "Any Body for Tea?"

Franklin Piland directs the band and

theatre programs at FCISD, and he is also looking forward to seeing them perform in the school's brand-new auditorium. When the school year began in August, a whole new campus had been built. However, the auditorium was just completed in early February.

"It is a very nice space," said Piland, describing the advanced sound system and stage lights that

rotate 360 degrees.

Theatre students had been using the basement, and concerts were being held in the gym, but now the symphony will have a place to perform.



WAITING IN THE WINGS Backstage areas, auditorium, and corridors may be empty now—but not for long, as ceilings and walls will soon be dried in, and many cartons of lighting and seating installed. | FCISD PHOTOS

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LADY WINDS SOFTBALL UPDATE

The Rotan Softball Tournament scheduled for February 18-20 has been canceled due to weather.

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU FEBRUARY 22-26

MONDAY
 Breakfast – Cinnamon Toast Crunch, fruit fruit juice, milk
 Lunch – Breaded chicken patty sandwich, chicken corn dog, spiced green beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

TUESDAY
 Breakfast – Mini chocolate chip French toast, fruit, Fruit juice, milk
 Lunch –Turkey & cheese sub, hamburger, seasoned charro pinto beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

WEDNESDAY
 Breakfast- Chicken biscuit sandwich, fruit, fruit juice, milk
 Lunch – Chicken nuggets, roll, hamburger, seasoned mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

THURSDAY
 Breakfast- Maple breakfast on a stick, fruit, fruit juice, milk
 Lunch – Breaded beef fingers, roll, spicy chicken patty sandwich, green beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

FRIDAY
 Breakfast –Maple breakfast on a stick, fruit, fruit juice, milk
 Lunch – Spaghetti & meatballs, breadstick, chicken tenders, roll, zingy crinkle fries
 vegetarian baked beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

FLOYDADA BASEBALL

| Date | Day | Opponent | Site | Varsity | JV |
|------------|-------------|----------------------|----------------|---------|------|
| Feb. 6 | Sat. | MULESHOE * | MULESHOE | 12:00 | |
| Feb. 13 | Sat. | ALUMNI GAME* | FLOYDADA | 11:00 | |
| Feb. 19 | Fri. | LBK. ROOSEVELT * | LBK. ROOSEVELT | 4:00 | |
| Feb. 22 | Mon. | DIMMITT | DIMMITT | 4:00 | 7:00 |
| Feb. 25-27 | Thurs.-Sat. | POST V Tournament | POST | TBA | |
| Feb. 25-27 | Thurs.-Sat. | ABERNATHY JV TOURNEY | ABERNATHY | TBA | |
| Mar. 4-6 | Thurs.-Sat. | LAMESA V TOURNAMENT | LAMESA | TBA | |
| Mar. 9 | Tues. | RALLS | FLOYDADA | 5:00 | 7:00 |
| Mar. 13 | Sat. | LOCKNEY | LOCKNEY | 11:00 | 2:00 |
| Mar. 16 | Tues. | HALE CENTER | HALE CENTER | 5:00 | 7:00 |
| Mar. 20 | Sat. | POST | FLOYDADA | 11:00 | 2:00 |
| Mar. 23 | Tues. | OLTON | FLOYDADA | 5:00 | 7:00 |
| Mar. 30 | Tues. | NEW DEAL | NEW DEAL | 5:00 | 7:00 |
| Apr. 3 | Sat. | CROSBYTON | CROSBYTON | 11:00 | 2:00 |
| Apr. 6 | Tues. | SPRING LAKE EARTH | SPRINGLAKE | 5:00 | 7:00 |
| Apr. 10 | Sat. | HALE CENTER | FLOYDADA | 11:00 | 2:00 |
| Apr. 13 | Tues. | POST | POST | 5:00 | 7:00 |
| Apr. 17 | Sat. | RALLS | RALLS | 11:00 | 2:00 |
| Apr. 20 | Tues. | OLTON | OLTON | 5:00 | 7:00 |
| Apr. 27 | Tues. | NEW DEAL | FLOYDADA | 5:00 | 7:00 |
| Apr. 30 | Fri. | LOCKNEY | FLOYDADA | 5:00 | 7:00 |

District Coach: Joe Alvarado
 Assistant Coach: Scotty Brington
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 Superintendent: Dr. Trevino
 HS Principal: Wayne Morran

FLOYDADA WHIRLWINDS TRACK SCHEDULE 2021

| DATE | RELAYS | PLACE |
|----------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| MAR. 4 | WHIRLWIND JH RELAYS | FLOYDADA |
| MAR. 5 | WHIRLWIND HS RELAYS | FLOYDADA |
| MAR. 11 | MEAN GREEN JH RELAYS | NEW DEAL |
| MAR. 12 | MEAN GREEN HS RELAYS | NEW DEAL |
| MAR. 25 | JH TBD | |
| MAR. 25 | ANTELOPE VAR. RELAYS | POST |
| MAR. 26 | ANTELOPE JV RELAYS | POST |
| MAR. 30 | DISTRICT 4AA JH MEET 1:00 START | NEW DEAL |
| MAR.31, APR. 1 | DISTICT 4AA HS MEET | FLOYDADA |
| APR. 9 | AREA MEET | VEGA |
| APR. 15 | REGIONAL QUALIFIERS MEET | NEW DEAL? |
| APRIL 23, 24 | REGION 1 AA MEET | CANYON |
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LONGHORN PRIDE SPOTLIGHT

TERESA BIGHAM | HESPERIAN-BEACON

Jailee Zavala, 8th grade LJHS Shorthorn, has a love for basketball and said, "I've been playing basketball for five years, and I love it. If I could give younger girls a piece of advice about playing sports, I'd tell them it takes practice to get better and don't ever give up."



JAILEE ZAVALA | TERESA BIGHAM

She enjoys math because it is an easy subject for her. When she has any free time, she enjoys hanging out with her friends and watching TikTok.



After high school Zavala plans to live life to its fullest. She is the daughter of Jacob and Amanda Zavala.

Lockney Longhorns

Longhorns honored at Senior Night



SENIOR LONGHORNS Lockney High School basketball senior night was held on Friday, Feb. 5. Parents escorted their student onto the court during the last home game and were recognized in front of the home crowd. | TERESA BIGHAM PHOTOS

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU FEBRUARY 22-26

MONDAY

Breakfast – Pancakes & sausage, or cereal & toast, fruit, fruit juice, milk
Lunch – Drumstick & biscuit or hot dog, sweet potatoes, corn, grapes, milk

TUESDAY

Breakfast – Breakfast burrito or PBJ, fruit, fruit juice, milk
Lunch – Frito pie, cucumbers, beans, salsa, orange, milk

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast – Eggs, biscuit, gravy & bacon or cereal & toast, fruit, fruit juice, milk
Lunch – Chicken nuggets or lasagna, roll, mashed potatoes, broccoli, fruit cup, cookie, milk

THURSDAY

Breakfast – Banana bread, cheese stick or cereal bar & yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk
Lunch – Pizza or cheeseburger, steak fries, carrots, snowball salad, milk

FRIDAY

Breakfast – Breakfast sandwich or cereal & toast, fruit, fruit juice, milk
Lunch – Chicken parmesan, breadstick or BBQ sandwich, green beans, pineapple, cookie, milk

Lady Horns earn 5th straight playoff bid, fall to Vega 72-43 in bi-district Friday

COMPILED FROM MEDIA REPORTS

FLOYDADA— Lockney's Lady Horns played a lot of basketball last week—and won one and lost one.

The loss was for bi-district to Vega and ended their season, but not before they had a good run.

First was the Lady Horns' win over Floydada on Monday to secure the team's fifth straight playoff appearance. That win gave them a meeting with Vega, a team that's no stranger to playoff success.

Last season Vega went 33-1 before falling in the playoffs. Vega may not have the same impressive record (18-7) this year, but Lockney head coach Craig Williams told the Plainview Herald that no matter whether his team won or lost, he just wanted the players to play as well as they could. That's all he could ask for in the year that the Lady Horns have had just to get this far.

Williams is in his first year at Lockney and his first year as a head coach, and sat out a significant portion of the year due to the pandemic.

The Lady Horns fell to Vega 72-43. Vega was a formidable foe—Lockney's tallest player was shorter than Vega's shortest—but the Lady Horns gave it a good shot.

Lockney finished fourth in District 4-2A.

GOOD LUCK!

Lockney boys defeat Ralls to earn #3 seed

COMPILED FROM MEDIA REPORTS

FLOYDADA—The Lockney Longhorns defeated the Ralls Jackrabbits 57-54 to earn the third seed in the playoffs Monday in Floydada.

If weather had kept the game from being played, the seeding would have been determined by a coin flip.

With the Longhorns' victory, they will most likely play Friday versus Farwell in Littlefield.

The Ralls Jackrabbits, now number four seed, will play Thursday versus Olton in Abernathy.

A healthy heart in the time of Covid-19

CRISTEN BROOKS | FLOYD COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT

For those with heart conditions or other medical conditions that may weaken your heart, keeping your heart healthy and protected during a pandemic is important. Cholesterol and blood pressure issues, as well as arrhythmias or cardiomyopathy, are heart conditions that can make contracting Covid-19 more serious.

Your heart is the most "essential" worker you have. It beats more than 110,000 beats a day and pumps about 2,000 gallons of blood throughout your body. This fist-sized muscle is so important, it only makes sense to keep it healthy and happy. To help support and improve your heart, try some simple changes that everyone can make.

VARIETY AND VEGGIES

Eating balanced and nutritious meals daily can help you reduce sodium and sugar intake, helping to maintain or lose excess weight, manage your blood pressure, control cholesterol. The nutrient dense foods that we consume help in providing those vitamins that support our bodies. Eating a colorful variety of fresh fruits and vegetables helps to support our health and our immune systems. Try new recipes throughout the week to add variety and enhance enjoyment. Visit www.dinnertonight.org for delicious and healthy recipes that are lower in calories, saturated fat and sodium.

KEEP MOVING

Staying physically active can also improve and support your heart. It strengthens your heart so that it can efficiently pump blood throughout the body. A stronger heart also helps to keep your blood pressure under control. Try to take a brisk walk outdoors daily or keep active around the house; not only are you keeping social distance, but improving circulation to help reduce stress.

MASK, HANDS, & DISTANCE

Always remember to follow the CDC guidelines for Covid-19. Wash your hands frequently, continue to wear a mask, stay six feet apart from others, and avoid large crowds. For more information contact your local Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office at (806)

983-4912 and check out our Covid-19 hub of Extension resources at <https://agrilifeextension.tamu.edu/coronavirus>.

LIVING heart HEALTHY

- 1 UNDERSTAND YOUR RISK**
Risks factors Include:
-High Blood Pressure
-High Cholesterol
-Overweight or Obese
-Diabetes
-Smoking
-Physical Inactivity
-Family History of Heart Disease
-Have Unhealthy Eating Habits
- 2 GET CHECKED**
Get your blood pressure and blood cholesterol levels checked regularly. These are two major risk factors for heart health and need to be monitored by your health care provider.
- 3 AIM FOR A HEALTHY WEIGHT**
If you are overweight or obese, a loss of 5% to 10% of body weight over 6 months can decrease risk for chronic disease
- 4 CHOOSE HEART HEALTHY FOODS**
Eating heart-healthy includes choosing foods such as lean proteins, fruits and vegetables, while limiting added sugars, saturated and trans fats.
- 5 GET REGULAR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY**
Visit with your doctor before you start a new exercise plan. Ask how much and what types of physical activity are safe for you. Even modest amounts of physical activity are good for your health.
- 6 QUIT SMOKING**
Smoking can raise your risk of heart disease and heart attack and worsen other heart disease risk factors
- 7 GET ENOUGH, GOOD QUALITY SLEEP**
Sleep helps heal and repair your heart and blood vessels. Over time, not getting enough quality sleep, can raise your risk of heart disease, obesity, high blood pressure, diabetes, and stroke.
Created by: Courtney Lowe, MS, RD, LD
Extension Agent Health
- 8 MANAGE STRESS**
Consider healthy stress-reducing activities like:
-Talking to a professional counselor
-Practicing meditation
-Being physically active
-Trying relaxation techniques
-Talking with friends, family, and community or religious support systems

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USDA temporarily suspends debt collections, foreclosures and other activities on farm loans for several thousand distressed borrowers due to coronavirus

STAFF REPORTS

COLLEGE STATION – Due to the national public health emergency caused by coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19), the U.S. Department of Agriculture today announced the temporary suspension of past-due debt collections and foreclosures for distressed borrowers under the Farm Storage Facility Loan and the Direct Farm Loan programs administered by the Farm Service Agency (FSA). USDA will temporarily suspend non-judicial foreclosures, debt offsets or wage garnishments, and referring foreclosures to the Department of Justice. Additionally, USDA will work with the U.S. Attorney's Office to stop judicial foreclosures and evictions on accounts that were previously referred to the Department of Justice. Additionally, USDA has extended deadlines for producers to respond to loan servicing actions, including loan deferral consideration for financially distressed and delinquent borrowers. In addition, for the Guaranteed Loan program, flexibilities have been made available to lenders to assist in servicing their customers.

Today's announcement by USDA expands previous actions undertaken by the Department to lessen financial hardship. According to USDA data, more than 12,000 borrowers—approximately 10% of all borrowers—are eligible for the relief announced today. Overall, FSA lends to more than 129,000 farmers, ranchers and producers.

"USDA and the Biden Administration are committed to bringing relief and support to farmers, ranchers and produc-

ers of all backgrounds and financial status, including by ensuring producers have access to temporary debt relief," said Robert Bonnie, Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of the Secretary. "Not only is USDA suspending the pipeline of adverse actions that can lead to foreclosure and debt collection, we are also working with the Departments of Justice and Treasury to suspend any actions already referred to the applicable Agency. Additionally, we are evaluating ways to improve and address farm related debt with the intent to keep farmers on their farms earning living expenses, providing for emergency needs, and maintaining cash flow."

The temporary suspension is in place until further notice and is expected to continue while the national COVID-19 disaster declaration is in place.

USDA's Farm Service Agency provides several different loans for producers, which fall under two main categories:

- **Guaranteed loans** are made and serviced by commercial lenders, such as banks, the Farm Credit System, credit unions and other non-traditional lenders. FSA guarantees the lender's loan against loss, up to 95%.

- **Direct loans** are made and serviced by FSA using funds from the federal government.

The most common loan types are Farm Ownership, Farm Operating and Farm Storage Facility Loans, with Microloans for each:

- **Farm Ownership:** Helps producers purchase or enlarge



a farm or ranch, construct a new or improve an existing farm or ranch building, pay closing costs and pay for soil and water conservation and protection.

- **Farm Operating:** Helps producers purchase livestock and equipment and pay for minor real estate repairs and annual operating expenses.

- **Farm Storage Facility Loans** are made directly to producers for the construction of cold or dry storage and includes handling equipment and mobile storage such as refrigerated trucks.

- **Microloans:** Direct Farm Ownership, Operating Loans and Farm Storage Facility Loans have a shortened application process and reduced paperwork designed to meet the needs of smaller, non-traditional and niche-type operations.

CONTACT FSA

FSA encourages producers to contact their county office to discuss these programs and temporary changes to farm loan deadlines and the loan servicing options available. For Service Center contact information, visit farmers.gov/coronavirus. For servicing information, access farmers.gov.

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| | 2/9/21 | 2/11/21 | 2/6/21 | 2/10/21 |
| Steers | 200-300 | | | 150-204 |
| | 300-400 | 150-175 | 172 | 180-235 |
| | 400-500 | 145-165 | 139-174 | 165-205 |
| | 500-600 | 135-155 | 143.5-158 | 145-182 |
| | 600-700 | 125-140 | 139 | 127-160 |
| | 700-800 | 120-135 | 124-139 | 120-145 |
| | 800-900 | | 127-130.5 | 115-138 |
| | 900-1110 | | 117 | 100-125 |
| Heifers | 200-300 | | | 110-160 |
| | 300-400 | 140-150 | 148.5 | 145-175 |
| | 400-500 | 130-145 | 137.5-142.5 | 130-162 |
| | 500-600 | 130-140 | 129-133.5 | 120-149 |
| | 600-700 | 115-130 | 118-126 | 110-135 |
| | 700-800 | 110-125 | 120-125 | 95-125 |
| | 800-900 | | | 90-122 |
| | 900-1000 | | | 85-110 |
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| | Older | | | 600-900 |
| Pairs | Young | 900-1000 | | 1100-1750 |
| | Older | 800-900 | | 900-1050 |
| Packer Cows | | 55-68 | | 35-75 |
| | Fat | | | 50-8 |
| | Boners | | | 57-65 |
| | Thin | 45-55 | | 25-40 |
| Packer Bulls | | 80-90 | | 70-95 |
| | High Yield | | | 80-96 |
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Rep. Jackson to co-chair Texas Ag Task Force in 117th Congress

STAFF REPORTS

WASHINGTON, DC—Earlier this month Congressman Kevin Brady (TX-08), dean of the Texas delegation in the U.S. House of Representatives, named Congressman Ronny Jackson (TX-13) as a co-chair of the Texas Agriculture Task Force.

The task force will advocate for Texas agriculture priorities in the House, ensuring the delegation presents a united front in advancing policy positions. The ranking member of the House Agriculture Committee, Glenn Thompson of Pennsylvania, welcomed the news of Texas' united efforts on agriculture.

"Texas is the epicenter of

production agriculture and is essential to our nation's food security," said Thompson. "The Texas Ag Task Force will be an important part of staying close to Texas producers as we craft the next Farm Bill and advance policies that strengthen American agriculture."

Other Texans named co-chairs of the task force include Congressmen Jodey Arrington, Michael Cloud, Tony Gonzales and August Pfluger.

Jackson said, "In me, the Texas agriculture community will always have a trusted friend and vocal ally. I represent the top agriculture district in Texas, and Texas is the top agriculture

state in the country, so I know just how important agriculture priorities are to our state and local economies. Supply chain infrastructure, rural broadband, and beginning negotiations for the 2023 Farm Bill are among our chief priorities in the 117th Congress."

Brady commented, "Agriculture is crucial to our Texas economy and way of life. These lawmakers will lead our efforts in Congress to protect farmers, ranchers and the million jobs in our state tied to agriculture."

Texas is home to 247,000 farms, covering over 126 million acres, making it the top agriculture state in the country.

FLOYD COUNTY 4-H ACTIVITY CALENDAR

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Sunday, Feb. 21 Senior rifle practice, 5 p.m., Unity Center
Monday, Feb. 22 Intermediates and Juniors rifle practice, 6 p.m., Unity Center
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Lockney Chamber of Commerce calls for nominations for Citizen, Business of the Year

The Lockney Chamber of Commerce has announced that it will not hold its annual banquet this year. However, there are still plans to recognize a Citizen of the Year and a Business of the Year for 2020. The chamber is requesting nominations for both awards from the community. A Facebook presentation will be live on March 12 at 6:00 p.m.
Nominations can be mailed to P.O. box 477 Lockney, Texas 79241. All nominations are due by March 1.

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FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Memories 1979: Reverend James Allen and John Etta Weathers BY EVA WEATHERS WHITFILL (1977)

As part of its mission to preserve local history, the Floyd County Historical Museum has recorded and transcribed oral histories and other documents over the years.

J. A. Weathers came to Hunt County, Texas, from Rome, Floyd County, Georgia, in 1869, at the age of thirteen. He came with a wagon train and drove a team of oxen.

He came at this early age because of Sherman's march through Georgia that devastated the homes and land. He arrived at Celeste, Hunt County, Texas and went to work. After two years, he was able to send for his mother, two brothers and two sisters. He was the middle of the five children. His father, John Newton Weathers, died during the Civil War.

James Allen Weathers and John Etta Ewing were married in 1880. They lived in Hunt County, where six children were born: J.H. (Hop), born Oct. 12, 1881 (deceased); J. C. (Clayton), August 1, 1884 (deceased); Ethel Love, May 31, 1889; Lillian Earnestine, August 11, 1891 (deceased); Eva Pearl, December 14, 1897; Oran Bill, November 28, 1901.

In 1902, Mother's health began to fail so it was decided that we should come west and perhaps it would be a healthier place to live.

In the fall of 1902, Papa sold the farm in Hunt County and came to Floyd County. His older brother had already made the move. The section of land where our son Bill now lives was a very suitable place, school three miles, a very comfortable three-room house, the best water in the world and was for sale at \$6.00 per acre. The deal was made, and we were to have possession the next summer (1904).

There were about 50 head of cattle that Papa bought with the land. Early fall of 1904 Clayton (then 18 yrs. old), came on out to care for the calves. In October of 1904, our family came west, a leased boxcar with horses, buggies, wagons, household goods and everything that was movable was loaded at Greenville, Texas, and unloaded at Canyon, Texas, then the closest railroad.

As I was only 5 years old, the whole trip was a real picnic to me and my brother Bill, who was 3. We stayed in Canyon three days while everything was being unloaded, wagons, buggies put together and household wares loaded. My uncle, Papa's brother, Newton Weathers, and a cousin along with my brother had met us there

Our trip from Canyon to Plainview was three days, two nights—oh, it was fun to see the bacon fry and coffee boil on cow-chip fires. It being October the nights were rather chilly, sleeping on the ground. But we reached our little house out west at night. That was a very cold winter, lots of trouble with the cows, as there wasn't enough feed for them. We lost quite a few from the cold.

After Christmas that year, my two sisters and I started to school at Meteor School house three miles away. The late Homer Howard was the teacher of the one-room school house. We had to drive seven miles into Lockney for our mail, which came in twice a week on the mail hack from Esteline. My father, being a Baptist preacher, soon had a lot of preaching to do at different school houses, organized churches at many of them, Meteor being one, and he was pastor there for many years. Mother's health became much better and she lived until 1925. All we children were married by then, except the youngest, Bill, who never married but lived a happy bachelor life until 1969. Papa came to live with Ed and me in 1925 after mother died and lived with us until 1938, he passed away at our house, a wonderful grandfather to our children.

Ed and I were married in June, 1916, and have lived here most of our married life. Our children are Ben and Patricia Whitfill of Silverton, Texas; Charles and Faye Whitfill of Silverton, Texas; Bill and Murlene Whitfill of Lockney, Texas; Joyce Whitfill, deceased; Glenna and Floyd Howe, deceased, Panhandle, Texas.

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Texas ranked top exporting state for 19th straight year. Once again, the Lone Star State leads the nation in exports. Its \$279.3 billion in exports outpaced California and New York combined. The state also led the United States in tech exports for the eighth straight year.

"Texas' exporting prowess is a testament to our business-friendly climate, strong trade partnerships, and most of all, the millions of hardworking Texans in communities across our state," Gov. Abbott said in a press release. Petroleum-related products dominated the top 10 list of exports, occupying six of those spots, according to the Census Bureau.

Gary Borders is a veteran award-winning Texas journalist. He published a number of community newspapers in Texas during a 30-year span, including in Longview, Fort Stockton, Nacogdoches and Cedar Park.

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Game Warden Field Notes

TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT
FEB. 5, 2021—The following items are compiled from recent Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) law enforcement reports.

SMALL WORLD. A Polk County game warden was contacted by a woman on social media asking if he had any meat to donate for her family of six. The warden donated deer meat and after getting to know the family, learned the dad was a disabled veteran and hadn't been hunting in over 10 years since before the military. The warden then reached out to local landowners and got a hunt donated for him and one of his children at Rocky Creek Ranch. The veteran took his eldest daughter of 13 on her first hunt and during the hunt, the warden found out his kids were from the same town the warden grew up in. Small world, great memories.

GIVING BACK. Recently, Polk County game wardens reached out to local landowners to find ways to give back to their community through the outdoors. The decision was made to organize a disabled veteran and youth hunt. A drawing was held on social media to select qualifying participants for the hunt, which in turn created great support from local businesses and community members. A father (retired Navy veteran) and son (first time hunter) were selected to participate in the hunt. The father and son joined Game Wardens on the Simon Peter Bend Ranch for an amazing hunt. Both hunters and the landowner were thrilled about the experience, and now plan to keep in contact with one another. Moye's Processing donated full processing of the meat, and McQuilkin Taxidermy donated a full shoulder mount of the deer. A big thank you to Scott and Toni Cochran-Hughes for the Texas hospitality and amazing meals, as well as fully supporting our nation's heroes.

TRACTOR PULL. A Cherokee County game warden came upon a hunter on a tractor attempting to dump the carcass of a doe deer. The subject stated that he was not aware that doe days had closed on Nov. 29. Upon questioning, it was determined that the subject's friend who was back at camp had also had some success that morning and had taken a buck. Upon arrival at the camp, the warden discovered an untagged buck that also failed to meet antler restrictions. Cases pending.

INELIGIBLE. A Webb County game warden and Duval County game warden completed an investigation on an individual who had entered a deer into the local Muy Grande Deer Contest. The individual who shot the deer was from out of state and did not possess a license. She then bought a license five hours later after entering the deer into the contest. The deer scored 172 5/8 Boone and Crockett Score. Cases and Civil restitution pending.

CITIZEN ASSIST. A Lubbock District game warden received a call regarding hunters being on the Dimmit Playa WMA in Castro County. The Dimmit Playa WMA is a drawn only hunt property and the informant that called was a hunter who had won the drawn hunt and was currently scouting the property for the upcoming weekend. The informant told the warden that when he arrived at the Dimmit Playa there was a pickup parked at the gate of the property. As he got closer, he noticed three hunters firing shotguns inside the property. The Castro County Sheriff's Office was dispatched and arrived on scene first due to logistics. After interviewing the suspects, the sheriff discovered they had killed five pheasants. The warden coordinated with the sheriff and all five pheasants were seized and civil restitution was filed. The suspects were also cited for the following violations: Taking or Possessing species from a Wildlife Management Area, Failure to have an Annual Public Hunting Permit and a No Upland Game Bird Endorsement Violation.

THE MUNCHIES. Wardens were patrolling in Childress County for state law violations when they observed a vehicle with a Louisiana license plate traveling East on a rural highway. A traffic stop was conducted and during the initial contact with the driver, the warden's pointed out that there was a small purple box with a marijuana leaf insignia on it that appeared to have "THC" written on the box. Warden's had the driver exit his vehicle and questioned him about his trip across the U.S. During the investigation, the driver admitted to having some marijuana and THC edibles inside the vehicle. A probable cause search of the vehicle yielded several containers of THC wax, THC edible candy, marijuana and several drug paraphernalia items. The driver was booked into the Childress County Jail without incident and charged with possession of a controlled substance PG2 4<400G, possession of marijuana less than 2oz, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

CROSSWORD THEME U.S. PRESIDENTS

- ACROSS**
1. Newton's first name
 6. Part of smog
 9. Hissy fit
 13. Human trunk
 14. Form of "to be"
 15. Illegal booze
 16. Editorial changes
 17. Crematorium jar
 18. #56 Down, alt. sp.
 19. *One of six Presidents named James
 21. *First President previously divorced
 23. Civil War's Johnny
 24. Manage without help
 25. Military procedures
 28. Cone-shaped quarters
 30. MLB bench
 35. Cowboy's necktie
 37. A whole lot
 39. *Whig, e.g.
 40. Resembling wings
 41. Nightly necessity
 43. Experience emotion
 44. Large ray
 46. Glacier's deposit
 47. "Watch out!" on a golf course
 48. Traditional sock pattern
 50. Reduced Instruction Set Computer
 52. Knight's title
 53. Bypass
 55. Foot digit
 57. *President Chester
 60. *He signed legislation to create Medicare
 64. Fauna, Merryweather and _____, fairy godmothers
 65. Expert
 67. Convex molding
 68. Bumpkins
 69. Café alternative
 70. Car ways
 71. Trans-Siberian Railroad city
 72. Piercing part
 73. Slightly drunk
- DOWN**
1. Any thing
 - *Trump had button on desk to order his favorite one
 - Desertlike
 - Up and about
 - Coddle
 - Half-man, half-goat
 - Legendary NHLer
 - Tragedy, or comedy, or satire
 - Cheap form of payment?
 - Before Scotia
 - Clickable picture
 - Olden day "your"
 15. Be in charge, two words
 20. Newspaper notices
 22. What all of #70 Across do
 24. Painting or poetry
 25. *He beat McCain and Romney
 26. Kind of cap
 27. Colloquialisms
 29. *First "dark horse"
 31. Gamecock's spur
 32. Dessert sandwiches
 33. Wombs
 34. *#29 Down predecessor
 36. Creative
 38. 18-wheeler
 42. Green pasta sauce
 45. Big Island greetings
 49. Australian flightless bird
 51. Group of people, often in research
 54. Extremely angry
 56. Concluding stanza in poetry
 57. *G. W. Bush to Yale, e.g.
 58. Schneider and Lowe, e.g.
 59. Major bike maker
 60. Audience's rejection
 61. Sold in bars
 62. Auto pioneer
 63. Like a busybody
 64. Back, to a pendulum
 66. Latin dance three-step move, once

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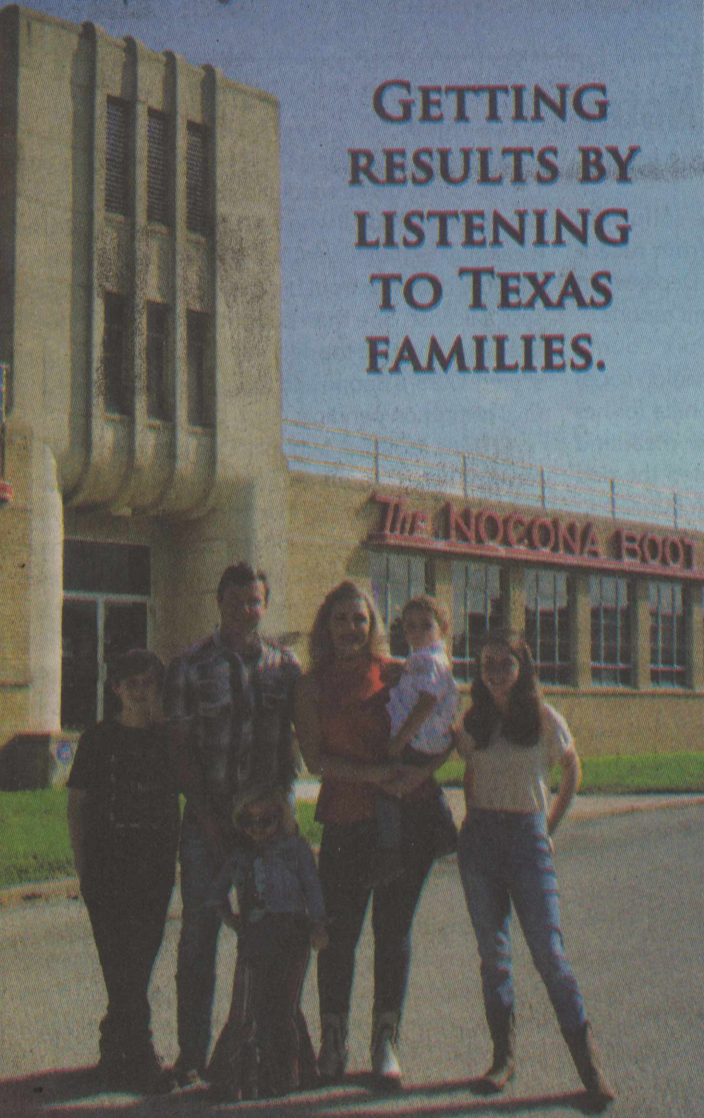
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SPOTLIGHT ON SEWING CLASS FCISD PHOTOS



SQUARING OFF Lizzy Moreno, above left, and Marissa Obregon, above center, display the quilts they made in Mrs. Crossland's sewing class at Floydada High School. Above right, Kaitlyn Vega is shown with the purple quilt she made for her mom. Kaitlyn is in Mrs. Crossland's sewing class. | COURTESY PHOTOS



PIECING IT TOGETHER Celeste Wickware, left, Jodie Briones, middle, and Stormy Henry, right, show off their beautiful quilts. Celeste made her quilt for her little sister. Jodie made her quilt for herself, and Stormy made her quilt for her grandmother. The quilts were made in the Floydada High School sewing class taught by Mrs. Crossland. | COURTESY PHOTOS

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NOTICE TO: KNOWN HEIRS and all the UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF: ARCHIE EUGENE JONES, Deceased

GREETINGS: Notice is hereby given that Adam E. Jones filed an APPLICATION FOR INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION AND LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION PURSUANT TO SECTION § 202.052 OF THE TEXAS ESTATES CODE, OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE, FOR DEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION AND APPLICATION TO DECLARE HEIRSHIP in the Estate of ARCHIE EUGENE JONES, Deceased, pursuant to Section §202.052, Cause No. 6152, in the COUNTY COURT of Floyd County, Texas. The said Application being filed on the 4th day of February, 2021.

All persons claiming to be an heir of ARCHIE EUGENE JONES, Deceased, who believe that they have an interest to the said estate, should contact the following person, prior to the hearing on the said application of the estate:

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This is a suite to determine the heirs of the deceased, and to distribute her assets to her lawful heirs.
Issued under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Floydada, Texas, this 8TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2021.

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