ոլինիսիսիցիկիկիկիսիկինինիներութիկին



LOCKNEY POWERLIFTER **EARNS 4th IN STATE MEET PAGE 6**

FROM THE GARDEN **Easter cactus PAGE 7**

FLOYDADA WINS UIL ACADEMIC CHAMPIONSHIP ON HOME TURF PAGE 5



News you can trust for Floydada · Lockney · Dougherty and Surrounding Areas Since 1896 HESPERIAL SERVICE BEACON The Floyda County BEACON HESPERIAL STATES BEACON

Vol. 124 No. 47

Thursday, April 1, 2021

www.HesperianBeaconOnline.com

ONE DOLLAR

UPCOMING

CAPROCK CROP PRODUCTION CONFERENCE The Caprock Crops Production

Conference hosted by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension for Crosby and Floyd Counties will be held Thursday, April 1, at the Unity Center in Muncy. Registration is \$45. Register online at https:// crosby-ag-committee.square.site/ or call the Floyd County AgriLife Extension office, (806) 983-4912 For more, see the article in this week's Hesperian-Beacon.

GLOW IN THE DARK EASTER EGG HUNT The Lockney Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a "Glow in the dark Easter egg hunt" on Thursday, April 1 at 8:45 p.m. This year it will be held on the practice field by the field house. The hunt will be divided into three age groups: 0-3 yrs, 4-6 yrs, and 7-10 yrs. Bring your baskets and join the fun!

FLOYDADA FAMILY DENTIST-RY OPEN HOUSE Dr. Thomas Stewart and staff welcome visitors for a drop-in April 5, 5:30-7 p.m. at Cogdell Clinic, 901 W. Crockett St., Floydada.

FLOYD COUNTY PIONEER AS-SOCIATION will hold a meeting at 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 6 at the First National Bank of Floydada Community Room. Everyone is invited to attend. Plans for Old

FLOYDADA CISD SECONDARY CAMPUS OPEN HOUSE

Settier's Rrunion will be discussed.

Floydada Collegiate ISD invites the community to a Secondary School Open House on Saturday, April 10 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Floydada CISD encourages people to wear masks.

SPRING FLING CRAFT & VENDOR SHOW 2021

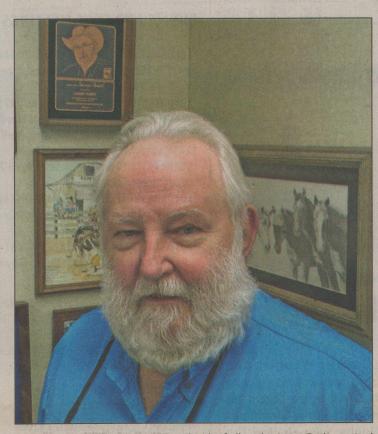
Join Joyfulea Creations & More in Lockney for their 2nd annual Spring Fling Craft and Vendor Show on Saturday, April 24, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Vendors are needed; cost is \$25 for a 15x15 booth. Admission is free. Come by 118 E. Shurbet or call Joy Dalrymple at (806) 640-8739 for more info.

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

SEND YOUR COMMUNITY ANNOUNCE-MENTS TO fchb.editor@yahoo.com

Larry Ogden steps down from multiple roles with Lighthouse Co-op after 43 years

BARBARA BRANNON | HESPERIAN-BEACON



MEMBER SERVICES MANAGER and jack-of-all-trades Larry Ogden retired March 31 from a long career with Lighthouse Electrical Cooperative. HESPERIAN-BEACON / BARBARA BRANNON

These days—as he retires from multiple responsibilities with the Floydada-based Lighthouse Electric Co-op-Larry Ogden is a bearded bear of a man with an office full of memories and an impressive "wall of fame."

But it wasn't always so.

Ogden started his power co-op career fresh out of stints at West Texas State and Texas Tech after graduating high school in Floydada in 1968. He thought he wanted to be a veterinarian, he said in a recent interview, until molecular biology bested him.

His family had moved to Floydada in 1952, farming and ranching east of town until the drought-era soil bank bought them out. His first job, well, the first one he'd gotten paid to do anyway, was at the local cattle sale, cleaning up stalls.

At the ripe old age of 28 he got onto the line crew with Lighthouse, which had been a primarily irrigation power supplier when it was founded back in the FDR era. (Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc., is a non-profit, member-owned rural electric cooperative originally organized in 1937 as Floyd County Rural Electric Cooperative, and Its original REA loan application was the first to propose serving irrigation wells as part of the project. But that's another story.)

He began as a dispatcher. "I started out in February 1978 in the worst ice storm the region had ever experienced—until last October," Ogden said. "That one made me examine my sanity" in postponing his retirement. (That's another story too. I've learned that Larry always has another story, and I surely wished I'd been around for more of them.)

In the early going Ogden had little training for the position but fell in with a capable crew who taught him how to climb poles and how to work safely with electricity. From the outside crew he learned all phases of construction, maintenance and substation operations. He rose to the level of apprentice lineman before moving "inside" in 1982, the year after Lighthouse built the new

See OGDEN, page 10



Floydada's Carmona claims state powerlifting title

BARBARA ANDERSON & KAY ELLINGTON | HESEPERIAN-BEACON

and clustered around metro areas.

ABILENE-Whirlwind senior Alex Carmona won the state championship in the 165-pound class of Division 3 Texas High School Powerlifting Association state championships that was held Saturday, March 27 at the Taylor County Expo Center.

Carmona finished with an impressive total of 1,455 pounds lifted, which included personal bests with a 580-pound squat, and a 365-pound bench press. He finished the day with another personal best with a 510-pound dead lift which gave him the total to claim the division title.

The power lifter missed going to state in 2020 due to Covid-19 in which the meet was cancelled. As a junior Carmona was the Region 1 champion.

See CARMONA, page 4



Floydada's Lady Winds in historic season Trevino pitches no-hitter, named Herald's 'Stat of the Week'

KAY ELLINGTON | HESPERIAN-BEACON

On the last Friday in March the bleachers on the home team side of the new Annie Taylor softball field in Floydada, were packed, and the Lady Whirlwinds did not disappoint. Erin Trevino was brilliant in the pitcher's circle on Friday, as she threw a no-hitter, her first of this season and the second in her career, to lead Floydada Lady Winds past Sudan 22-0.

The Annie Taylor complex, fresh off of a 2020 ribbon cutting, was underwritten by the good will of Floydada voters in a bond election going back to November 2015, plus a locally-matched Texas Parks and Wildlife grant helped the project across

the finish line.

Back in the day, while city and school officials were working out construction details of concession stands, dugouts and announcer acoustics, a group of little girls who played on a summer league fastball team, known as the Diamond Dusters, year after year fundraised through food booths at Old Settlers and Punkin Days, all the while developing their fielding and hitting prowess. Pitcher Erin Trevino was honing an arsenal of fastball, screwball, change-up and riser pitches.

Both the ballpark and the softball players who call it home seemed to have come into their full fruition this spring.

See LADY WINDS, page 10



PAYNE PHARMACY 200 S. Main, Floydada Denise Payne, RPh

ANYONE AGE 18 & OLDER MAKE YOUR VACCINATION APPOINTMENT TODAY 806.983.5111



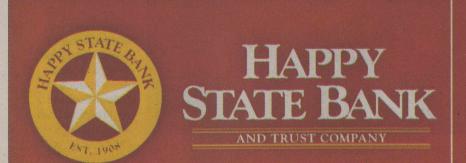


REX TEACHENOR

in same State Farm location

FLOYDADA

201 W. California St., Floydada, TX 79253 Mon.-Fri. 9 am-noon; 1-5 pm; Sat. by appt. 806-983-3441



happybank.com



105 S. Wall St., Floydada **983-BANK**

HESPERIAN BEACON

Vol. 124, No. 47 (USPS 202-680) Peridodicals postage paid at Floydada, Texas.

THE FLOYD COUNTY HESPERIAN-BEACON is a weekly publication owned, published and printed in West Texas, covering Floydada, Lockney, Dougherty, and other communities of Floyd County. All submissions are run at the discretion of the editors.

POSTMASTER Send address changes to P. O. Box 430, Spur, TX 79370

PARAGRAPH RANCH LLC PUBLISHER KAY ELLINGTON kay.ellington@thetexasspur.com ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER BARBARA BRANNON spur@thetexasspur.com

MANAGING EDITOR BARBARA ANDERSON fchb.editor@yahoo.com; (806) 787-1334 CONTENT EDITOR LIZ ADAMS lizadams.news@gmail.com; (806) 412-8200 WRITER TERESA BIGHAM BUSINESS spur@thetexasspur.com (806) 271-3381

Please send ads, announcements, calendar events, and news items to Information may be dropped off at 201 W. California St., Floydada

CONTENT SUBMISSIONS Deadline for ad submissions, announcements and news is Friday at noon

SUBSCRIPTONS are \$40/yr for subscribers living in Floyd County; \$50/yr elsewhere in Texas and out-of-state; and \$29/yr or \$5/mo for online subscriptions. Visit www.hesperianbeacononline.com to subscribe using PayPal, or send payment to P. O. Box 430, Spur, TX 79370.

ADVERTISING display rates are \$5.00 per column inch local and \$8 per column inch national. Obituary notices, classified ads, and text-only legal notices are \$10 for the first 35 words plus 25¢ for each additional word; photos are \$5.00. In display format, such notices are \$5.00 per column inch. Engagement, wedding, anniversary, and birth announcements are free (500 word / 1 photo maximum).

Copyright © 2021 by the Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon. entire content of each issue of the Hesperian-Beacon is protect under the Federal Copyright Act. No reproduction of any portion WWW.HESPERIANBEACONONLINE.COM







We welcome letters to the editor or organization, suggest an idea, or state an opinion, for instance. Be sure to provide your name and address to verify your identity.

Contact your elected officials

Joseph R. Biden, Jr. www.whitehouse.gov/contact

GOVERNOR OF TEXAS Greg Abbott www.gov.texas.gov/contact

United States Senate Sen. John Cornyn 517 Hart Senate Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20510 (202) 224-2934 www.cornyn.senate.gov Lubbock Office Wells Fargo Center 1500 Broadway, Suite 1230 Lubbock, TX 79401 (806) 472-7533

Sen. Ted Cruz Dirksen Senate Office Bldg., Ste. SDB-40B Washington, DC 20510 west_texas@cruz.senate.gov www.cruz.senate.gov

U.S. House of Representatives Congressional District 13 (including parts of Floyd County) Rep. Ronny Jackson 620 South Taylor St., Suite 200 Amarillo, TX 79101-3541 (806) 371-8844 www.jackson.house.gov

U.S. House of Representatives Congressional District 19 (including parts of Floyd County) Rep. Jodey Arrington 1312 Texas Ave., Ste. 219 Lubbock, TX 79493 (806) 763-1611 www.arrington.house.gov

Texas State Senate District 28 (including Floyd County) Sen. Charles Perry 11003 Quaker Ave., Ste. 101 (806) 783-9934 charles.perry@senate.state.tx.us www.perry.senate.state.tx.us

Texas House of Representatives District 68 (including Floyd County) Rep. David Spiller P.O. Box 2910 Austin, TX 78768 (512) 463-0526 David.Spiller@house.texas.gov https://house.texas.gov/members/ member-page/?district=68

(District office, Jacksboro) The Hesperian-Beacon encourages citizens to consult www./ballotpedia.org/ Who_represents_me

for a list of all their elected officials

at every level of government.

BACK STAGE

LIZ ADAMS lizadams.news@gmail.com

Texas for the roundup in the spring

Spring has sprung. The birds are singing, and the allergies are in bloom. The Northern Hemisphere has said farewell to winter, and most of us have even reset our clocks for Daylight Saving Time by now. The clock in my car is usually only right for this sunnier half of the year.

Because our little planet is tilted on its axis as it orbits the sun, we experience the seasons differently than our neighbors in the Southern Hemisphere. We are about halfway between our winter and summer solstice right now, and we are gaining daylight quickly and increasing temperatures every day.

The risk for severe weather also increases, and Texans can look forward to more thunderstorms and tornadoes, the temperatures should reach freezing less and less often without threatening to burn as hot as the days of July and August. We have just entered one of the best times of the year for Texas travel and tourism. It's turkey season and there is still time to catch a big bass. Tons of Texas state parks have poles and bait, along with classes for beginners.

More than 5,000 wildflowers are native to Texas, including winecups and daisies that are already showing their colors along the highways. Bluebonnets appear as early as January sometimes, but sunflowers have just shown back up.

Texans can look forward to events and live music again as more and more people are vaccinated, and restrictions are loosening on the numbers of people who can gather. Paducah Pickins is coming up on April 3, followed by the Cottle-King Old Settlers Reunion & Rodeo April 16–17. Shenandoah and Will Banister are coming up in April at the Coyote Country Store in Gail. Look for live music at Hotel Turkey each weekend, and Abernathy's newest venue, the Alley has been featuring West Texas favorites like Gary Nix.

"I could hear the last stampede, the songs of rivers sing/ Way back down in Texas for the roundup in the spring." -Don Edwards

CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

Bill tightening voting restrictions in Texas passes Senate

TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN-A Texas Senate committee on Friday passed an elections bill that would tighten the state's voting rules by limiting extended early voting hours, requiring proof of disability to qualify for mail-in voting and prohibiting drivethru voting. Senate Bill 7, sponsored by Sen. Bryan Hughes, R-Mineola, is one of Gov. Gregg Abbott's legislative priorities this session.

During testimony Friday, the committee received opposition testimony from AARP, the League of Women Voters, NAACP and other groups. Hughes described his bill as attempting to strike a balance between "maintaining fair and honest elections with the opportunity to exercise one's right to vote," according to the Texas Iribune.

Any Texan old enough to legally drive can receive Covid-19 vaccine. More than 10.2 million Texans have received at least one dose of the Covid-19 vaccine as of Sunday, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services. The pace is expected to quicken now that anyone 16 years and older can receive one of the three versions available in the state. A total of 3.57 million Texans are fully vaccinated — about 12% of the state's population. DSHS has directed vaccine providers to give priority to people 80 years and older.

To that point, a new outreach partnership between the Texas Health and Human Services Commission and several partners was announced last week by Gov. Gregg Abbott. Among those participating to expand the state's Save Our Seniors program launched in February are the Texas Employee Retirement System, Texas-Teachers Retirement System, AARP and various Medicare health plans.

More than 1 million doses of the vaccine are being shipped to Texas providers this week. Texans can call 2-1-1 or go to https://tinyurl.com/9dvpetm9 for more information about getting the vaccine.

Covid-19 cases in Texas drop slightly. The number of new Covid-19 cases in Texas dropped to 27,185 last week, with 741 deaths reported. Both are down just slightly from the previous week, according to the Coronavirus Center at Johns Hopkins University. Hospitalizations of confirmed Covid-19 cases also showed a slight decrease to 3,308, according to DSHS.

Health care fraud case ends with prison time, \$82.9 million restitution. The state's Department of Workers' Compensation announced last week that the remaining defendants in a health care fraud bribery scam were sentenced by a federal judge. The case involved surgeons, physicians and hospital administrators at Forest Park Medical Hospital in Dallas. It began in 2016 and involved 14 defendants, who were sentenced to a combined 74-plus years in prison and ordered to pay \$82.9 million in restitution. According to a news release from DWC, the department's fraud unit identified health care providers at Forest Park who billed the state's workers' compensation system. The unit turned over the data to the FBI.

"Fraudulent billing within the health care system drives up the costs of health care for everyone," Debra Knight, DWC deputy commissioner, said. "These significant sentences demonstrate that health care fraud will not be tolerated."

Border transportation master plan approved by state. The Texas Department of Transportation has approved the Border Transportation Master Plan after years of research



and analysis of current and future transportation needs and growth in the border region. Secretary of State Ruth R. Hughs, who chaired the **Board Trade Advisory Commit**tee, praised the decision. The plan recommended strategies to help U.S. and Mexican officials improve efficiency in the movement of freight, goods and people across the state's 28 border crossings.

"I look forward to our continued work together on the implementation of the master plan to raise awareness of its importance, improve quality of life for residents of the border region, and secure economic prosperity for all on both sides of the border," Hughs said.

Forest service acquires acreage through legacy grant. The Texas A&M Forest Service has acquired Fox Hunters Hill, a \$1.6 million conservation easement of sustainably managed forest adjacent to the Sabine National Forest in Deep East Texas. The acreage was acquired through the U.S. Forest Legacy Program, which acquired more than 23,000 acres throughout the South to protect forestlands at risk due to urban development or clear

TFS works with landowners on a "willing buyer/willing seller" basis to obtain the lands and enhance sustainable forest management. "A

2021 Community Calendar

COMMUNITY SERVICES

FOOD BANKS—FLOYDADA—Spirt 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 11:15 a.m. -1 p.m. each Wednesday and Thursday. Please call 983-2032 for delivery before 10:30 a.m.

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,

LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER, 118 W. College St., Lockney,

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

FLOYDADA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Thursday, April 8, 6 p.m., FISD School Administration offices, 226 W. California St., Floydada, (806) 983-3498.

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

FLOYDADA CITY COUNCIL Tuesday, April 20, 6:30 p.m., City Hall, 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada. LOCKNEY CITY COUNCIL Tuesday, April 20, 7 a.m., City Hall, 218 E.

Locust Street, Lockney. FLOYDADA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Thursday, April 8, 6 p.m., FISD School Administration offices, 226 W. California St.,

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

LIONS CLUB AND ROTARY

Floydada Rotary Club / Floydada Lions Club currently meeting together Tuesdays, 12 noon, First United Methodist Church, Floydada

Lockney Rotary Club Fridays, 12 noon, Lockney Senior Citizens Center.

COMMUNITY INFO

City of Floydada Office is open to the public. Face masks

City of Lockney Office is open. Face masks mandatory. FNB of Floydada Lobby is open to the public. Face masks

Prosperity Bank Lobby is open to the public. Face masks op-

Happy State Bank Lobby is open to the public - Face masks optional.

Mangold Memorial Hospital/Cogdell Clinic Face masks manda-

West Texas Family Medicine Floydada Clinic - Face masks

Floyd County Courthouse Face masks optional.

interest in land acquired to protect certain conservation values," explained Gretchen Riley, the Forest Legacy Program Coordinator at Texas A&M Forest Service. "It is a good way to assure important, vulnerable landscapes - and the benefits they provide to Texans – are sustained for the future."

Fox Hunters Hill borders 213,000 acres of protected lands in the Angelina and Sabine National Forests, including one of the last undeveloped coves of Toledo Bend Reservoir. Protect yourself from so-

cial media identity theft. The Texas Department of Insurance has some advice on taking simple steps to protect social media accounts and thus avoid most scams. Those tips include:

· Don't post ID cards, includ-

conservation easement is an ing a COVID-19 vaccination

• Watch out for online quizzes and surveys that ask for personal information, such as the model of your first car, name of your first pet, or your hometown. Those are often also security login questions.

• Don't overshare. The more a scammer finds out about you, the easier it is to create a fake

· Limit app sharing and close old accounts.

· Protect family members, especially teens, who are the most likely to overshare.

Gary Borders is a veteran awardwinning 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. Email: gborders@texaspress.com.

Floyd County earns Zero Lost Time Safety Award from TAC Risk Management Pool

STAFF REPORTS

AUSTIN — Floyd County earned a 2020 Zero Lost Time Safety Award from the Texas Association of Counties Risk Management Pool (TAC RMP) for its record of no lost workdays during the 2020 coverage year.

Through its commitment to safe practices among county employees, Floyd County works to reduce employee injuries and obtain substantial savings for taxpayers by minimizing workers' compensation costs.

A total of 119 TAC RMP members participating in the Workers' Compensation (WC) Program qualified to receive this award in 2020.

Governed by a board of county officials, TAC RMP has provided counties with protection against risks and liabilities for 47 years. TAC RMP's risk control programs and services, delivered to more than 412 members, help Texas counties promote safety and save tax dollars.



THE COMMUNITY The Salvation Army in Lockney appreciates the Youth of Lockney **Group of First Baptist Church for** donating their time on Wednesday night to come and sort clothes and put canned goods in the pantry. The youth, from left, are Gage Graves, Tve Graves, Cutter Evans, Creek Evans, Kalebh Cook, Rihanna Castillo, Abree Ascencio, Kaileigh Cook and youth minister Chad Cook. | COURTESY **PHOTO**

GIVING BACK TO



Food bytes

ANGELINA LARUE

Strawberries and Cream Cake a sweet addition to the Easter table

Heavy cream has long been used as a source of fat when making baked goods. One of the biscuit recipes I use simply has two ingredients, self-rising flour and heavy cream. The cream serves as the liquid and the fat at the same time. It's also a good fix for when you'd like to bake a cake but don't have enough butter or oil.

Times are still a little different right now, but most of us will likely have an Easter meal for a small group, or maybe just dinner for two. And if you dine alone, make it extra special and consider making the single layer version of this cake. It marries together one of my favorite combinations, strawberries and cream.

I can hardly wait for peach season to arrive so I can make a peaches and cream cake like this.

These have been tough times, but celebrating Easter brings much hope. We can make it even more memorable by marking the occasion with fine food and our best dishes, tablecloth and all.

We can rest a little easier this Easter knowing we've come a long way from what the situation was like a year ago this time. Have a very happy holiday!

Enjoy food made fresh!

Single Layer Strawberries and Cream Cake

- 1 pint strawberries, divided
- 1 cup granulated sugar, plus 1 tablespoon for the strawberries
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 11/2 cups cake flour 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

FROSTING

- 1/4 cup sour cream
- 3 tablespoons butter, softened, plus some to grease the pan
- 4 cups powdered sugar
- 2 teaspoons reserved strawberry juice

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Grease an 8- or 9-inch round baking pan and dust with flour or place a circular piece of parchment



CREAMY AND DREAMY In this cake, cream serves as the liquid and the fat at the same time. | ANGELINA LARUE PHOTO

paper over the butter.

Wash and trim strawberries. Finely dice 1 cup of strawberries and place into a small bowl. Sprinkle with 1 tablespoon sugar. Let rest.

In a medium bowl, with an electric mixer on medium speed, mix together remaining sugar and eggs until smooth. Add cream and vanilla and mix on medium until just combined.

Smash the strawberries with the back of a fork. Reserve 2 teaspoons of the juice for the frosting. Add smashed strawberries to the batter and mix on low speed until combined.

In a medium bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, and salt. Slowly add it to the rest of the batter with mixer on medium low. Mix on medium until just combined.

Pour batter into prepared pan and bake in preheated oven for 30 to 35 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Set aside to completely cool.

To make frosting, mix sour cream, and butter until smooth, in a large bowl on medium speed. Add 1 cup of powdered sugar at a time with the mixer on low until all sugar is added. Add strawberry juice and mix on medium speed until silky smooth.

Run a butter knife around the edges of the cooled cake to loosen it from the pan. Invert onto a cake plate. When it is completely cooled, frost and decorate with remaining strawberries, or serve the strawberries on the side. Makes 6 to 8 servings. Store leftovers, covered well, in the refrigerator. Note: Double layers may be in order for a larger crowd.

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.

The 501 HANABA MUNN WELCH

Did you hear that rule breaking?

If a tree falls in the forest and nobody hears it, did it make a noise?

I'm still trying to figure that out. I just know I didn't hear it. Another question:

If a rule is never broken, is it really a rule?

Probably. Just a rule that doesn't get out much. A lackluster rule. Rules are made to be broken. If a rule never gets broken, it's like it doesn't exist.

Not to worry. Most rules are alive and well. The more they get broken, the more attention they get. Rules like attention.

Okay, I'm just guessing. But when you anthropomorphize something, you pretend to know how it thinks.

By the way, we just broke a rule. My dictionary says "anthropomorphize" means to attribute human characteristics to a "god, animal or object." (I had to look up the word to know how to spell it; that's when I read the definition.)

We just gave human characteristics to a concept. We can't do that! But we just did, and I feel good about it. Exhilarated.

That's why we humans like to break rules. It puts us in control. Who doesn't want to be in control?

Perfunctorily, our pandemic begs to be mentioned. (Did you notice that I anthropomorphized our pandemic? I'm on a roll.) In the face of the wear-a-mask rule, we can follow the mandate

Me, I mask up. As rules go, I'd rather break some other rule. like maybe a music theory rule — avoid open fifths (which sounds like a hygiene rule for drinkers) — or a rule of grammar that I don't want to abide by.

If you, by the way, want to make a clear statement by not wearing a mask, wear a T-shirt to explain your stance. Otherwise, we may suspect you just lost your mask or are exempt from the rule because you have asthma or something. Just sayin'.

Even as I congratulate myself for obeying the mask rule, I'll admit it serves my bent for nonconformity, which is akin to rulebreaking. Now that on-site Sunday worship has resumed, everybody wears standard disposable masks or nice fabric creations. Not me. I prefer my bandana.

All my bandanas are unremarkable, but they set me apart nonetheless. Most of my every-other-pewmates are not from the farm or the ranch. I am. My bandana says so.

Do I own a store-bought fabric mask? Yes. It's rather classy. Sometimes I do indeed wear it to church instead of wearing a bandana. It's my go-to mask for funerals. It's mostly black. I didn't buy it. I found it lying by a gas pump. I'm waiting for someone to ask me where I got it.

When your parents raise you not to break rules, you've gotta do something else to stand out from the crowd — like collect and wear found masks.

Meanwhile, there's no rule against staying under the radar. If you don't like attracting attention, fly low. We who aspire to non-conformity would be in trouble without you.

Lockney Senior Center News

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



BREAKFAST WITH BABY AND BUNNY brought out about 100 folks to the Lockney Senior Citizens Center March 27. COURTESY PHOTO

LOCKNEY -The Center will be closed on Good Friday, April 2.

The Center had approximately 100 people (60 kids/40 adults) attend the "Meet the Bunny" breakfast on Saturday, March 27. Everyone had a great time, and lots of pictures were taken with the Bunny and JJ from CoCoMelon.

The Center would like to in-

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

Also, chef salads can be ordered from the Center any day of the week. Don't forget to eat breakfast at the Center on Fridays. We have not added kolaches (\$1) to our breakfast menu.

The Center has been partnered with SPFB since January and will continue through the months of April. The program will stop at the end of April.

Breakfast is served at the Center each Friday morning from 7 to 9 a.m. by dine-in or carry-out only. Cost is \$5 per plate. Come join us for traditional biscuits, gravy and sausage plates.

The Center will be serving lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday, by dine-in, curbside pickup, or delivery in Lockney only. Meals are \$6 for members and \$7 for non-members.

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

MENU

MONDAY, APRIL 5 Salisbury steak w/brown gravy, macaroni & cheese, dessert TUESDAY, APRIL 6 Hamburger/cheeseburger basket,

French fries, dessert WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7 Steak finger basket, fries, toast, gravy, mixed vegetables, dessert

Hawaiian roll, dessert THURSDAY, APRIL 8 Deluxe chef salad w/turkey & ham, dessert

FRIDAY, APRIL 9 Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, biscuits, gravy/sausage, coffee, juice Lunch: Chicken & waffles, petite sweet corn on the cob, dessert.

(Menu subject to change without notice)

1956 Study Club News

JANET LLOYD | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

FLOYDADA—The 1956 Study Club went to the dogs, in a good way, at their March 9 meeting in the parlor of the First Baptist Church of Floydada.

Mattie Beth-Sanders, owner of Straight Arrow K-9 Training LLC of Lubbock; presented an overview on how to train a dog to be part of a family. Mattie introduced the group to her German Shepherd dog, Arrow, and they demonstrated Arrow's abilities of obedience, how well she acts around people, and her interaction with Mattie. Mattie answered questions from the members before closing the program.

President Linda Matsler asked Linda Harbin to open the meeting with a blessing for the light supper that hostesses Janet Lloyd and Terry Jackson had prepared. Janet introduced her guests, daughter Mary Sanders and

program presenter Mattie Beth Sanders.

Roll call for the meeting was members' favorite pet, which triggered many sweet and funny memories.

During the business meeting conducted by Matsler, the club passed the motion brought by Terry Jackson and seconded by Anne Carthel, that the group continue to meet at

In attendance were guest Mary Sanders, Mattie Beth Sanders and Arrow. Members present were Sheryl Back, Sheree Cannon, Virginia Stringer, Linda Matsler, Anne Carthel, Judy Dunlap, Janet Lloyd, Terry Jackson, Charline Hendrix, Linda Harbin, Sherry Hacker and Rhonda Guthrie.

DOG DAYS Mattie Beth Sanders visited the 1956 Study Club along with her companion Arrow to present a program on dog training. COURTESY PHOTO



Floydada Senior Center News

LU ANN COLLINS | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

Floydada Senior Citizens Center will be open each Wednesday and Thursday. We offer dine-in, carry-out

Lunch will be served from 11:15 a.m. through 1 p.m. There is no added fee for delivery. On Wednesdays we will be selling meals to go for

\$5.00. We will deliver or you can take out. Please call 983-2032 for delivery before 10:30 a.m. Membership fee is \$25 per year per person.

The Center's mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, TX 79235 and the phone number is 806-983-2032. Thank you for remembering the Center with donations or memorials.

MENU

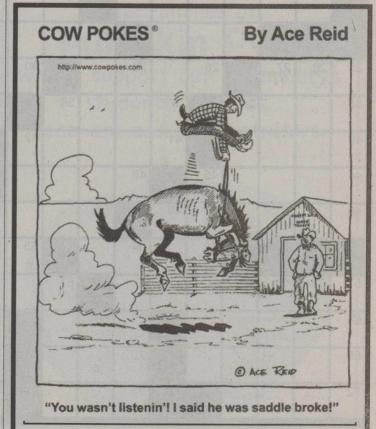
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31 Burrito smothered /chili - \$5 THURSDAY, APRIL 1 Tacos

(Menu subject to change without notice)



WHERE IN THE COMMUNITY?

 $Congrats to \, D'Lyn \, Morris \, of \, Lockney, \, who \, recognized \, Charlie \, Carthel's \, metal \, Congrats \, to \, D'Lyn \, Morris \, of \, Lockney, \, who \, recognized \, Charlie \, Carthel's \, metal \, Congrats \, to \, D'Lyn \, Morris \, of \, Lockney, \, who \, recognized \, Charlie \, Carthel's \, metal \, Charlie \, Carthel's \, Ca$ scultpture of the Bigfoot family outside her hometown! Morris has won a Lowe's Grocery store gift card. Watch for our next scavenger-hunt photo soon!



FEATURE IS SPONSORED BY THE



Financing for: Farms, Ranches, Rural Recreational Properties and Rural Homes

Ryan Pierce 806-724-5828

plainslandbank.com

Part of the Farm Credit System

Game Warden Field Notes

TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT



MARCH 19, 2021—The following items are compiled from recent Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) law enforcement reports.

STICKY SITUATION. A McLennan County Game Warden was respond-

ing to a trespassing call from a landowner when the warden came upon the suspect stuck in the mud. The warden interviewed the suspect and discovered that they had also burglarized a vehicle while trespassing. The landowner identified the stolen property and it was returned. The suspect was arrested for burglary of a vehicle and criminal trespass.

GOOD SAMARITANS. A Marion County Game Wardens responded to Lake O' the Pines regarding a capsized vessel. Several fishermen close to the incident rescued an 80-year-old male and his son and transported them to a boat ramp. EMS arrived on scene and then transported the older male to the hospital for observation.

HELPING HAND. A Washington County Warden received a call of a suspicious boat discovered by a realtor and landowner. ATX number was provided to Austin Dispatch where it was flagged as stolen. The warden made it to the scene and verified the HIN of the boat and VIN of the trailer. Both were confirmed stolen out of Harris County. Investigators from the Marine Theft Investigation Unit were contacted, the original owners were contacted, and the property is being returned. The investigation is ongoing.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY. A DeWitt County Game Warden received a complaint about a hunter suspected of taking a deer out of season. When the suspect was contacted, her husband's tag was on the deer. The husband initially claimed to have shot the deer. After interviewing both individuals, it was determined that the initial subject had in fact shot the deer. It was not taken out of season, but it was taken without a license. When all was said and done, violations included hunting without a license, hunting under the license of another, allowing another to hunt under one's license, no proof of sex, and no hunters education. The deer was seized and donated. Restitution is pending.

CALLED OUT. A Travis County Warden received a call from a processor reporting a man with a deer intact (not gutted) and most likely spoiled. The individual stated to the processor, "I guess I'll go dump this then". The warden was unable to find a local address for the suspect but was able to call him while he was returning to Houston. The individual said his friend shot an eight-point buck the previous afternoon. The warden contacted the landowner, who shot the deer, and informed him he faced a waste of game charge for leaving the "ungutted" buck for over 24 hours in temperatures exceeding 70 degrees. The warden also made the landowner aware that the general season ended two weeks prior and the buck was taken illegally. The violator then responded with an expletive-laden statement indicating his guilt. The warden seized the antlers from a taxidermist. Charges and civil restitution pending.

MYSTERY MACHINE. A Harris county Game Warden received a call about an abandoned boat on the San Jacinto River. When the warden reached the stripped vessel, he ran the HIN to find the owner's information. The owner, an individual in Alvin, TX, had no idea that his boat was missing. He had given the boat to his son, who kept it in a local storage unit. When the son

was notified, he was surprised to find the boat was not located in its stall. The son then began to search social media platforms to look for the stolen boat's motors, electronics and miscellaneous items. The warden worked with a local deputy to have the stolen boat entered into the Boat Registration Information and Titling System. The warden then received a call from the son, exclaiming that he had found the two 225 horsepower Yamaha motors for sale on Facebook Marketplace. The warden then called a Game Warden Sergeant and a Harris County Warden to assist in the identification and location of the two motors advertised for sale. The Wardens arrived at the location and identified the stolen motors and a center console from the "abandoned" boat. Thanks to the warden's quick thinking and investigation, he was able to return the recovered stolen items to the original owner in one afternoon. Cases are pending.

NOTHING TO STAND ON. An Orange County Game Warden was traveling along the Tony Housman Wildlife Management Area (WMA) when he observed a vehicle driving along the right-of-way in the construction zone that appeared to have a shotgun on the dashboard. The warden was able to exit the interstate at the state line and make his way back along the right-of-way to investigate. As he approached the vehicle, he observed a male subject carrying a shotgun coming from the woods, which is a closed area of the Tony Housman WMA. During the contact, the subject claimed that he was hunting hogs and was looking for a stand that his friend had erected next to the interstate. The warden found the stand erected on the WMA property within just a few feet of the interstate. The subject was issued citations for no annual public hunting permit and no hunting license. Two wardens followed up with the friend who had illegally placed the stand in the WMA originally. That subject confessed to placing the stand in the closed area of the WMA and was issued a citation as well. Cases are pending.

CHECK PLEASE! A Gregg County Game Warden received a call from the White Oak PD regarding an illegal dumping complaint at a local restaurant. The restaurant owner reported numerous rancid bags of trash, accompanied by a decaying white-tailed doe carcass missing only its backstraps, piled around their business and dumpster. Information regarding the individual's identity was gathered and it matched an individual that the game warden was already investigating on unrelated hunting violations. The warden and local officers responded to the subject's residence where he and fellow tenants advised they had deemed the spoiled doe inedible via damages from a vehicle vs. deer incident. An impromptu necropsy suggested otherwise, prompting a full confession of how the doe was shot out of season and allowed to waste. During that interview, an additional confession was also collected regarding the warden's original hunting investigation. That individual confirmed the illegal harvest of two other bucks found with antlers entangled from sparring along a late-night roadway. Exhausted and struggling to flee danger, both deer were fatally stabbed by the individual. Civil restitution and multiple subjects were charged. Charges included: Hunt/Possess Deer from Public Roadway, Untagged Deer, Illegal Means and Methods, Waste of Game, Hunt During Closed Season, Exceed Bag Limit, No Archery Stamp, and No Harvest Log. Additional charges are pending investigation.

CROSSWORD 10 11 12 15 14 13 18 17 16 21 22 19 20 23 24 30 32 33 34 28 29 31 25 26 27 38 39 35 36 37 41 42 43 40 47 46 44 45 52 49 50 51 48 53 54 55 56 62 63 61 60 57 58 59 67 68 66 64 65 71 69 70 74 72 73



Blazing Fast Internet!

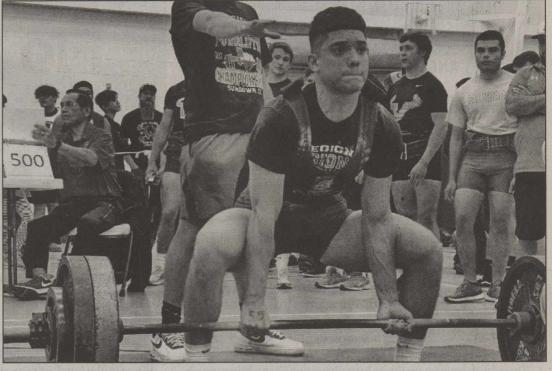
America's Top 120 Package Including Local Channels!

CALL TODAY - For \$100 Gift Card

1-888-416-7103 Offer ends 7/14/21

dish A

LOCAL/REGIONAL NEWS



Alex Carmona lights at the State meet. | PHOTO COURTESY OF FLOYDADA CISD

CARMONA from page 1

Carmona received three plagues for the lightweight classes of 165-pounds and under of Division 3. The recognition was for Best Squat, Best Bench Press and Best Overall Lifter.

Carmona's name has been added to the list of Whirlwinds Aaron Chavarria and Frank Hernandez in the group of state champions in powerlifting from Floydada. Chavarria won the 220-pound class

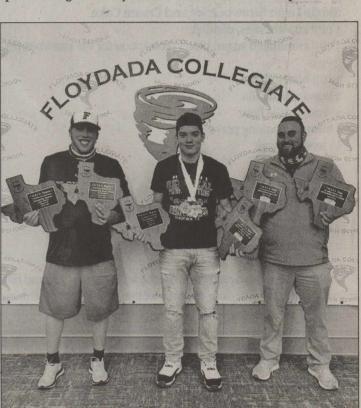
title in 2015, and Hernandez won it all in the mid-1990's as a super heavyweight.

Sixth-year powerlifting coach Cody Dean said, "It's awesome that he got to go to state, especially since Covid knocked him out last year. It was really hard to find anyone to spot him during the worst of Covid, but he somehow found a way to train."

Dean said that when it's all said and done, the Floydada senior will have bested 161 powerlifters to be the best in the state.

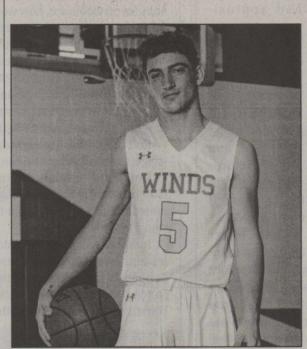
"What's especially impressive," Dean added, "is that he beat everyone by triple digits."

POWER LIFTERS Coach Dean (Powerlifting coach), Alex Carmona, Coach Ramirez (Track coach). | PHOTO COURTESY OF FLOYDADA CISD



CORRECTION

Whirlwinds' Bruington receives basketball honors



KYLE BRUINGTON, SENIOR ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT; ACADEMIC ALL-STATE

In our March 18 issue we misiden tified two players who had swapped jerseys temporarily during photo ops. We apologize for any inconvenience this mistake may have caused—and congratulate both of these players on their outstanding achievements. PHOTO COURTESY ROBIN'S NEST PHO-**TOGRAPHY**

DYLAN RAMOS, SENIOR **HONORABLE MENTION / NOT PICTURED**

CROSSWORD THEME THE 1960s

50. Same as #42 Down

55. *It's the loneliest number

57. *Sam Walton's company

61. *Haircut popularized by the

67. *Sting Ray and Mustang, e.g.

71. Dostoyevsky's novel, with

Majesty's Secret

52. Even, to a poet

53. Roaster's spot

64. Relating to axis

69. Threshing hand tool

65. PC brain

70. *"On

Service"

The

Beatles

ACROSS

1. *Kennedy and Ruby

6. Credit card acr.

9. Just in case 13. Yemeni's neighbor

14. Scheduled to arrive 15. *First full-disk image of it

was taken in 1966

16. Alleviated 17. Wildfire remains

18. One born to Japanese immigrants

19. *"Catch-22" author 21. *Oscar-winning leading lady

of "Mary Poppins" 23. Green or black beverage

24. Piercing woodwind

25. Mom in U. K.

and drab

30. Good-for-nothing 35. *TV's Batman,

37. Figure skater's jump

39. Make happy

40. Hitchhiker's quest

41. *"Wilt the " of pro basketball

43. Femur, e.g.

44. Cut it out

46. Away from port

47. Largest organ of human body 48. Like anti-cruelty society

DOWN 1. *Hasbro's G. I.

72. Seaside bird

73. Tibetan ox

74. Condemn

2. Same as ayah

3. Four six-packs 4. Genuflected 5. Sashayed

6. Month of Purim 7. Abscess contents

12. Not that

8. Repair 9. Bear's den

10. Gaelic tongue 11. Meat and potato dish

15. Take to one's heart Grey and James Jones

22. Noggin or dome 24. #24 Across players

on Washington 26. Farewell in Paris 27. Address to a woman

29. Just a little

31. Young socialites, for short 32. Call forth

33. *Barbara Eden starred as one 34. *First American astronaut to

orbit the Earth 36. Table in Spanish

38. Type of bargain 42. Best not mentioned 45. Ultimate goal

49. Slightly pointed on a Hobbit

51. Pro bono 54. Scratchy's nemesis

56. Chopin piece 57. Drift

58. Rod for a hot rod 59. One with pants on fire?

60. Street in Anytown, USA 61. Darkness or gloom

62. Relating to ear 63. Poverty-stricken

66. Cause of Princess' downfall 68. Pig's home

SOLUTION FIND ANSWERS ON THE CLASSIFIED PAGE • 9

Let's try this again, with corrected names

from those listed in

were announced on

FLOYDADA COLLEGIATE ISD CHEERLEADERS – The 2021-2022 Floydada Junior High and High School cheerleaders

March 3.

Varsity cheerleaders (top photo) are back row from left, Savannah Benavides, Elena Foster, Devon Reyes, mascot Mia Fipps; front row, from left: Alyssa Hinson, Faith Lopez, Clarissa Ramos(

not pictured).

Junior Varsity

cheerleaders (middle

photo) are back row

front row, from left, Hailee Garza, Desiree Delafuente, Alea Lira.

Junior High cheerleaders (bottom photo) are back row,

from left, eighth-grade

cheerleaders Mekayla

Fipps, Mylie Morales,

Adelle Ramos, Kyra

Segura; front row,

from left, seventh-

Hinsley, Mattee

grade cheerleaders

Kyra Williams, Rilynmenap

from left, Kirsten Pyle, Allyson Romero, Katelynn Ramirez;

our March 25 caption.

Floydada takes UIL District Championship

BARBARA ANDERSON | HESPERIAN-BEACON

The District 4AA UIL contest took place at Floydada Collegiate High School on Thursday, March 29. Floydada took home the championship and will advance to the Regional Meet on April 16 at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.



DISTRICT UIL CHAMPS Floydada High School students took home the District 4AA UIL District Championship.

1st PLACE SPEAKING TEAM Ryder Glass (not

pictured),1st Place Persuasive; Hagen Hinsley, 2nd

Place Persuasive. Brandy Green, 1st Place Informative;

Nathanael Garcia, 2nd Place Informative; Kaitlyn

Vega, 1st Place Prose; Kaylea Britt (not pictured), 2nd

Place Prose • Coached by Dana Crossland, Franklin

JOURNALISM Alyssa Hinson, 2nd Place Headline;

3rd Place Copy & Editing, Newswriting, Editorial,

5th Place Feature Writing; Natalee Romero, 1st

Place Headline, 3rd Place Feature, 5th Place Editorial

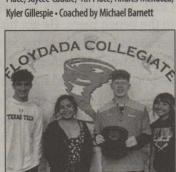
and Newswriting, 6th Place Copy & Editing; Denise Mendoza, 4th Place Copy & Editing, Feature, Editorial,

6th Place Headline and Newswriting • Coached by

Piland, and Alejandra Ramirez



1st PLACE SOCIAL STUDIES TEAM Marcus Collins, 1st Place; Jaycee Caudle, 4th Place; Andres Mendoza;



1st PLACE NUMBER SENSE TEAM Trace Glasscock, 1st Place; Erin Trevino, 2nd Place; Kyle Bruington, 3rd Place; Jody Briones, 4th Place . Coached by





2nd PLACE LITERARY CRITICISM TEAM Holley Monroe, 2nd Place: Kailee Sanchez, 3rd Place: Ashlyn Green, 6th Place • Coached by Pam Ricketts

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU APRIL 5-9

Breakfast - Turkey sausage & cheese sandwich,

fruit, fruit juice, milk Lunch - Loaded meat lovers pizza, grilled cheeseburger, Season curly fries, seasoned baby carrots, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk TUESDAY Breakfast - Cinnamon glazed French toast, fruit, fruit juice, milk

Lunch - Salisbury steak, roll, rice, spicy

chicken patty sandwich, seasoned green peas,

fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk WEDNESDAY Breakfast- Golden sausage morning roll, fruit,

fruit juice, milk Lunch - Breaded beef fingers, Philly cheese steak sub, seasoned mashed potatoes, green bell peppers, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

THURSDAY

Breakfast-Mini cinnamon waffles, fruit,

fruit juice, milk Lunch - Chicken nachos w/Spanish rice, meatball sub,

Mexican mix refried beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk FRIDAY

Breakfast - Banana muffin, fruit, fruit juice, milk Lunch - Baja fish sticks, bean & beef burrito,

roll, seasoned green peas, green bell peppers, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk



COMPUTER APPS Luke Holcombe, 1st Place Computer Apps • Coached Matt Rehkopf



Floydada Whirlwinds

Whirlwind Cheer Squads named for 2021-20

PHOTOS COURTESY OF FLOYDADA CISD



1st PLACE MATH TEAM Kyle Bruington, 1st Place; Erin Trevino, 2nd Place; Edgar Cervera, 4th Place; Anthony Garcia, 6th Place • Coached by Laura Zepeda



1st PLACE SCIENCE TEAM Sierra Snowden, 2nd Place (Top Physics Student); Phillip Rodriguez, 4th Place; Lailah Burkes, 5th Place (Top Biology Student); Audire Strange; Devin Reyes; Carisa Fernandez • Coached by Jennifer Emert



2nd PLACE SPELLING TEAM Kylie Fipps, 3rd Place; Cristian Hernandez, 6th PlaceMiya Fipps; Jessica Martinez (not pictured) • Coached by Dustan Hahnel





609 N. 2nd Street

WRITING Janeisi Garza, 1st Place Ready Writing



Kaley Garza, 5th Place Ready Writing; Devin Reyes, 6th Place Ready Writing • Coached by Emily Strah

O GO WINDS







These businesses support Floydada's schools, teachers, administrators and students.

Shannon

Shurbet

stems

Floydada, TX



wholly support our community's students, athletes, teachers and administrators.









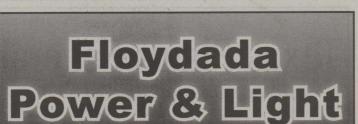
Floydada Family Dentistry

Thomas Stewart, DDS General Dentistry

901 W. Crockett St. Floydada, TX 79235

806-983-2975 gracie@floydadadental.com floydadadental.com

REALTORS **AUCTIONEERS • APPRAISERS** Office: 806-983-3322 • www.assiter.net • www.assiter.auction



Tim Bandy Assiter Broker #533147

Caprock Irrigation

(806) 983-8095

114 West Virginia Street Floydada, TX 79235 806-983-2834

LIGHTHOUSE **ELECTRIC** CO-OP

806-983-2814 703 A Hwy 70 Floydada 7



(806) 983-2233 517 E. Houston St., Floydada, TX nutrienagsolutions.com



Floydada — Memphis, Texas



Lockney students compete at UIL District

SHANA HALLMARK | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

Lockney High School students competed at the District UIL Meet held at Floydada High School on Thursday, March 25. Results are as follows (no photos were available at press time):

Number Sense Coach Gary Cawley •Lexi Morgan, Anyaleigh Tambunga

Current Issues Team (2nd Place Team) Coach Brandi McGinnis • Yaneillie Bernal, Jessica Hernandez (6th place), Audrey Rexrode (3rd place; advancing to Regional meet)

BATTING

Mcclerran (LF)

GAMECHANGER

Ward (CF)

Post 4-8

Ready Writing Coach Cynthia Zavala • Justus Abbott, Madison Johnson

Calculator (2nd Place Team) Coach Dillon De Leon • Damion Gonzales (4th place), Felix Gonzales, Jesus Gonzales, Julius Guerrero

Lockney Longhorn

Varsity

0 2 1 0 1 0 0 4 8 2 2 1 0 1 2 2 X 8 12 1

K Cook (1B)

M Alvis (LF, 2

Science Team Coaches

Betty Garcia and Meredith Tannahill • Hunter Lefevre (1st

place Overall, Top Biology, Top Physics; advancing to Regional meet), Aidan Bustillos, Julius Guerrero, Michael Luna

Social Studies Coach Kathy Azua • Julius Guerrero (6th place), Lexi Morgan (5th

Spelling Coach Sandra Cummings • Jesus Gonzales, Anyaleigh Tambunga (4th place)

Math Team Coach Dillon De Leon • Andrew Bustillos, Lexi Morgan, Anyaleigh Tambunga, Eliana Vasquez

Lockney's Gonzales takes 4th at state powerlifting meet

CHRIS PRITCHARD | LHS POWERLIFTING COACH

ABILENE-Lockney Longhorn junior Damion Gonzales took fourth place in the 114-pound class of Division 3 Texas High School Powerlifting Association state championships that were held at the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene on Saturday, March 27.

In his second year in power- Damion did an outstanding lifting in this division, Gonzales came in eager and ready to go, starting with 340 pounds in the squat—a 35-pound increase over his lift at the regional meet just two weeks ago.

At that time, we were sitting in fourth place battling with Olton (2nd) and Agua Dulce (3rd). Then Gonzales moved

job—he stayed late for practice was usually the first one to practice, and he did all he could to take care of business. Damion is a great athlete and all around guy, he has one heck of a work ethic.

—Coach Pritchard

to the bench press. He got his lift the first try but struggled to get 180 up, so we kept the same weight and tried for his third lift and was red-lighted due to his buttocks not touching the bench. That dropped him to fifth place.

Now we were in a three-way battle to get second or third place. Gonzales began his deadlift at 305 pounds clearing it easily. We jumped him to 320 and then jumped again to 340 pounds and was hoping that would seal the deal for at least third place.

Olton struggled to get any of their lifts up due to a nagging injury, so that last lift of 340 pounds clinched fourth place for the Lockney team.

It was a long day but a rewarding day for Gonzales, whose overall total was 845.

Gonzales, a junior, will get another shot at the state title

Texas High School Powerniting State Championships **Taylor County Expo Center**



100 Meters: Adaliyah Jones, 5th place, time 14.2 200 Meters: Jayda Rosales, 1st place, time 28.0; Aracely Cuellar, 6th place,

Senayda Bernal, 8th place, 32.0

800 Meters: Analys Jones, 2nd place, time 2:57.9

1600 Meters: Madison Johnson, 5th place, time 7:21.7; Analys Jones, 6th

3200 Meters: Madison Johnson, 3rd place, time 15:58.0

4x100 Relay: 3rd place, Aracely Cuellar, Senayda Bernal, Nadia Perez, Adaliyah Jones, time 57.8

4x200 Relay: 3rd place, Aracely Cuellar, Jayda Rosales, Nadia Pere, Adaliyah Jones, time 2:002.9

Shot Put: Haven Walker, 1st place, 35'2"; Annalicia Hernandez, 2nd place, 30'1" Discus: Haven Walker, 1st place, 89'5"; Annalicia Hernandez, 2nd place, 89'0" High Jump: Jayda Rosales, 2nd place, 4'6"; Nadia Perez, 7th place, 4'0"

Pole Vault: Adriana Villarreal, 1st place, 7'6" Long Jump: Jayda Rosales, 2nd place, 15'6.25"; Adaliyah Jones, 10th place, 12'10"; Nadia Perez, 11th place, 12'9"

Triple Jump: Jayda Rosales, 1st place, 34'11"; Adaliyah Jones, 13th place,

Longhorns take lead in fifth to defeat Post, 8-4

STAFF REPORTS

The Lockney Longhorns varsity stole the lead late in Saturday's baseball game in an 8-4 victory over Post. In the bottom of the fifth the game was tied at four with the Longhorns batting when Ashton Urrutia singled on a 0-1 count, scoring two runs.

Lockney captured the lead in the second inning. Kaleb Cook grounded out, scoring one run.

Pablo Morales took the win for Lockney Longhorns. He went four and a third innings, allowing one run on three hits, striking out five and walking one.

McDaniels took the loss for Post. The hurler allowed 12 hits and eight runs over six innings, striking out five and walking zero.

Joshua Jimenez started the game for the Longhorns. The righthander went-two and two-thirds innings, allowing three runs on five hits, striking out three and walking one.

Lockney collected 12 hits. Morales, Austin Rodriguez, and Urrutia all had multiple hits in the game. Morales went 3 for 4 at the plate to lead Longhorns in hits.

The Longhorns' season record stands at 5-4 and district record

Information compiled from GameChanger stats.

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU APRIL 5-9

MONDAY

Breakfast - Pancakes & sausage or cereal & toast, fruit, fruit juice, milk

Lunch - Breaded drumstick or pigs in a blanket, Sweet potato fries, corn, grapes, milk TUESDAY

Breakfast - Breakfast burrito, hash browns or cereal bar & yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk Lunch - Crispy tacos, cucumbers, beans, salsa, oranges, milk

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast - Scrambled eggs, biscuit, gravy & bacon or PBJ, fruit, fruit juice, milk Lunch - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, steamed broccoli, roll, fruit cup, cookie, milk **THURSDAY**

Breakfast - Kolache or crackers & cheese, fruit, fruit juice, milk

Lunch - Pizza, steak fries, baby carrots, Snowball salad, milk FRIDAY

Breakfast - Breakfast sandwich or cereal & toast, fruit, fruit juice, milk Lunch - Chicken parmesan, breadstick, green beans, salad, pineapple tidbits, cookies, milk Snowball salad, milk

Lockney competes in Hale Center Fightin' Owls Relays

STAFF REPORTS

HALE CENTER—Lockney High School tracksters competed in the Hale Center Fightin' High School Owls Relay on Friday, March 26.

Final results are as follows:

VARSITY BOYS

100 Meters: Anson Rendon, 1st place, time 11.0

400 Meters: Jonathan Cinfuegos, 2nd place, time 1:00.1; Andrew Bustilious, 6th place, time 1:005.9 800 Meters: Jonathan Cinfuegos, 3rd place, time 2:30.4

300 Meter Hurdles: Anson Rendon, 1st place, time 43.5

4x100 Relay: 3rd place, Sebastian Perez, Payton Butler, Josh Cienfuegos, Anson Rendon, time 47.1

4x200 Relay: 3rd place, Payton Butler, Josh Cienfuegos, Sebastian Perez, Anson Rendon, time 1:43.4 Shot Put: Christian Gonzales, 3rd place, 34'10"

Discus: Miguel Lara, 1st place, 104'7"; Christian Gonzales, 2nd place, 100'7" Long Jump: Sebastian Perez, 4th place, 18'6"; Josh Cienfuegos, 6th place, 17'8"; Payton Butler, 12th place, 15'1.75"

Triple Jump: Payton Butler, 2nd place, 38'4"; Sebastian Perez, 3rd place,

37'8.75"

VARSITY GIRLS

1600 Meters: Alberto Sotogonzales, 2nd place, time 5:58.0

3200 Meters: Alberto Sotogonzales, 1st place, Time 12:39.0 300 Meter Hurdles: Felix Gonzales, 2nd place, Time 48.0; Jermiah Rosales, 3rd place, time 55.7

4x400 Relay: 3rd place, Andrew Bustilious, Jonathan Cienfuegos, Jermiah Rosales, Felix Gonzales, time 4:12.8 High Jump: Felix Gonzales, 1st place, 5'0.5"; Jonathan Cienfuegos, 2nd place,

Long Jump: Felix Gonzales, 3rd place, 16'11"; Jermiah Rosales, 11th place,

13'11.25"; Andrew Bustilious, 12th place, 12'11.75" Triple Jump: Felix Gonzales, 2nd place, 35'11.75"; Jermiah Rosales, 8th place, 31'8"; Andrew Bustilious, 9th place, 30'5.5"

These businesses support Lockney's schools, teachers, administrators and students





105 East Locust Street | Box 931 | Lockney, TX 79241 806-652-2335 • Fax 806-652-2762

320 N. Main • Lockney, Texas • 806-652-3373

FAMILY PHARMACY ESTABLISHED 2020 309 N. Main Street, Lockney • Call 806.823.2109

DAVID & DAR LEE **FOSTER**

LESCA DURHAM

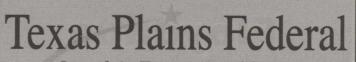


JODY & SHAWNDA FOSTER

SEGAYLE FOSTER Admin. Assistant

806-652-3351 806-652-3738 (Fax)

306 E. Shurbet St. Lockney, TX 79241



Just plain Texas... Just like you!

806-983-3922 office 800-272-6641 toll free 806-983-3932 fax

206 W. California St. Floydada, Texas 79235 www.texasplainsfederal.org

CDs · Loans · Checking · Savings



Tyler Kidd-Manager • 806-652-2544 803 E HWY 70, Lockney TX

Flomot News by Earlyne Jameson

Overheard

It was the best Easter I could have ever wished for. That was the bright sunny day in 1939 when my sister and I received new Easter dresses.

Our father had died in January and I was nine at the time.

Mother was struggling to feed and clothe two girls.

We lived on a plantation in Sardis, Mississippi, and I can remember going out into the hot field to pick cotton all day long. It seems funny, but we were happy to see rain come. That meant we wouldn't pick cotton that day and could attend school. Whenever we got the chance, we attended a one-room school. We didn't have much, but I remember being happy that I could go to church and attend school when circumstances permitted.

Normally we wore dresses made out of flour sacks, but early on Easter morning, my mother woke us and said to come in the kitchen, she had something for us. When we stepped into the kitchen, our eyes grew as big as kola nuts.

"I bought you girls these brand-new dresses," Mother said, "and don't think you're going to put them on without taking a bath!"

My father had been a member of the Masons and his fellow Masons had taken up a collection. The money we received was good, but it wasn't enough to buy a dress for my mother. Instead of buying one for herself, she spent the money on us.

My dress was pink with petticoats underneath and white bows sewn on them. My mother had made a pink hair bow for mine and a blue one for my sister, who got a blue dress. The bows seemed to make our braids look prettier. We got new shoes to go with our dresses. That was a good thing, because our old shoes had holes in the soles.

Mother said she would not be attending Easter services with us because she didn't feel like going. Now that I'm older I realize Mother went without a new dress out of love for her girls. I often think back on the sacrifices our mother made for us.

Receiving that new Easter dress in 1939 was one of the best gifts I could have wished for. It was just one of the little things in life that made me happy, and I still have the dress.

Thanks to Mother, I have always reminded my girls to appreciate the little things in life, things as simple as a new dress.

Community News

Penny and Bud Taylor of Floydada visited during the weekend with sister and husband, Shonda and Roger Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. H.R. "Skeet" Jameson observed their 72nd wedding anniversary Wednesday, March 24. They are still in their rural home and are thankful for what they can accomplish. Wilburn Martin was in Amarillo Tuesday for a medical appointment and his daughter, Mrs.

Marilee Cooper of Borger, accompanied him home.

Visiting Donnie Rogers was Richard Rogers of Lubbock, who farms his land. Mrs. Janice Hughes was in Floydada, Saturday and enjoyed the baseball game in which her grandson, Brodie Hughes, played. He is the son of Roger Hughes.

OBITUARIES

Gleynn Earle Cummings, 1931–2021



Glevnn Earle Cummings, age 89, passed away on Tuesday, March 23, 2021.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m., Sunday, March 28, 2021 at the South Plains Baptist Church in South Plains, Texas. Visitation was held from 3 to 4:30 p.m., Saturday, March 27, 2021 at Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Lockney. Interment followed the visitation at 5 p.m. at the Lockney Cemetery.

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

Glevnn Earle was born June 10, 1931 in Vernon, Texas, to Earl

and Gleynn (Brian) Norman. She grew up in Lockney and graduated from Lockney High School. Gleynn then went to Texas Women's University for a year, then transferred to West Texas A&M. She met Sterling Cummings and they were married on February 5, 1950 in Lockney. This

union was blessed with five children, three boys and two girls. Gleynn Earle worked at the FSA office and later at a cotton gin, but she had many other talents and interests in her life. She was a member of the Bible Study at South Plains Baptist Church as well as a teacher of it for some time. Gleynn loved attending the sporting events of her children and grandchildren.

Gleynn was also quite the artist, even taking some art lessons. She was very creative and multi-talented. She was an excellent cook making a great chicken fried steak, a talented seamstress even making her daughters' wedding dresses, and a loving mother and grandmother.

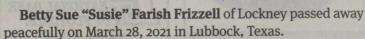
Mom had magic arms—she could rock any baby to sleep because they could feel how much she loved them. Even as she aged, Mom was an active participant in her children's and grandchildren's lives. She was interested in and proud of all of their accomplishments. Mom taught us how important it is to nurture, support and love your family. We were truly blessed to have her as our mom and grandmother.

Gleynn is preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Sterling.

Those left to cherish Gleynn Earle's memory are her children, Norman Kimball Cummings (Monica), Zach Cummings (Sandra), John Cummings (Tammy), Dee Sanders (Mark) and Paula Pyle (Robert); her grandchildren, Jason Pyle (Lindsey), Shea Sanders, Amber Parkhurst (Joel), Adam Cummings (Ashley), Dane Sanders (Robin), Zach Cummings, Courtney Wood (Kyle), Kylan Francis (Matt), Sterling cummings (Jennifer), Cagan Cummings (Stephanie), Erin Morgan (Roy), J Cummings (Gia) and Kristen McCloskey (J.B.); and 26 great-grandchildren with another

one on the way. Online condolences may be made at www.moore-rose.com.

Betty Sue "Susie" Farish Frizzell, 1936-2021



Graveside services were held at 1 p.m., Wednesday, March 31, 2021 at the Lockney Cemetery in Lockney, Texas. Visitation was held from 6 to 8 p.m., Tuesday, March 30, 2021 at Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Lockney.

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

Susie was born on February 18, 1936 in Aiken, Texas. She was born tiny and feisty and maintained that spirit throughout

After her family moved to the Lone Star community, she started school and met a cute little freckle-faced boy who became her best friend and love of her life. Susie and Pat were married on April 4, 1954 in Lockney.

Susie's greatest pleasure in life was spending time with her husband, her two daughters and their families, whom she loved fiercely. Throughout life she was involved in many civic activities which led to her being selected as one of the 1967 Outstanding Young Women of America. Loving to serve the Lord, Susie spent many hours studying the Bible, expanding her knowledge to share with her family and the many Sunday School students she taught throughout the years. Gardening was also a favorite pastime.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Pat, in 2010, and a grandson, Trevor Terrell,

Susie is survived by her daughter Melanie Bixler and husband, Rick, of Shallowater; her daughter Gay Terrell and husband, Jeff, of Lockney; her grandchildren, Patrick Bixler and wife, Audrey, of Austin, Ashley Stanton and husband, Craig, of Shallowater, Brittney Stoker and husband, Taylor, of Shallowater, Lance Terrell and wife, Keri, of Canyon, Tori Hall and husband, Ryan, of Levelland, Lexie Smith and husband, Kody, of Amarillo; and 17 great-grandchildren. She will be missed by many relatives and friends.

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

LEGAL NOTICE • CITY OF LOCKNEY

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed proposals addressed to Buster Poling, City Manager, City of Lockney for the construction of a wastewater lift station and associated appurtenances, entitled:

WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS 2020 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PROJECT **TxCDBG PROJECT NO. 7219239** LOCUST STREET LIFT STATION INSTALLATION LOCKNEY, TEXAS

will be received in the office of the City Manager, City of Lockney, at City Hall, 218 East Locust Street, Lockney, Texas 79241 until:

> April 20, 2021 2:00 PM

A cashier's check, certified check or acceptable bidder's bond, payable to the City of Lockney in an amount equal to not less than five percent of the bid submitted, must accompany each bid as guarantee that, if awarded the contract, the Bidder will, within fifteen days after receipt of Contract Documents, enter into a contract with the City of Lockney and will execute bonds on the forms provided in the Contract Documents. Any bid received after the time and date listed above will be returned unopened and will not be considered.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and inform themselves regarding

Contract Documents are on file and may be examined in the office of the City Manager, City of Lockney, 218 E Locust St., Lockney, Texas 79241, phone (806) 652-2355 and the offices of Brandt Engineers, Consulting Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, telephone (806) 353-7233.

Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the Engineers, Brandt Engineers, 4537 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79110, phone (806) 353-7233 in the following manner:

Cost: One hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00), non-refundable, for each set of paper plans and specifications or seventy-five dollars (\$75.00), non-refundable, for each set of digital plans and specifications.

Performance and Payment bonds shall be set forth in the Contract Documents.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness, the Owner reserves the right to adopt such interpretations as may be most advantageous or to reject the bid as informal. Bids may be held by the owner for a period not to exceed 60 days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidder's qualifications prior to the contract award.

All contractors/subcontractors that are debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation on federal assistance programs may not undertake any activity in part or in full under this project.



CUISINE & CULTURE From the garden

ELLEN PEFFLEY

Easter cactus is an unusual holiday bloom

Think of a blooming Easter plant, and the obvious image that comes to mind is the Easter lily. But there are many other possibilities, all of them in pretty spring colors. One of the more unusual is the Easter cactus.

Most are familiar with the Christmas cactus that blooms between November and December, but there is also an Easter cactus (there is even a Thanksgiving cactus). The Easter cactus looks much like the Christmas cactus, but it is quite different. We'll start with the similarities.

Each are succulents in the Cactus family found in the rainforests of Brazil. More specifically, they are each epiphytes, plants that grow on other plants but derive moisture and nutrients from the air and so are not parasitic. Other common epiphytes as they are found in nature are orchids and bromeliads.

They are each named for the time of year in which they typically flower—the Thanksgiving cactus in November, the Christmas cactus in December, and the Easter cactus in the spring. Because of the confusion that may be around the different cacti, they are often marketed simply as a "holiday cactus."

The segmented stem of each cactus is botanically a phylloclade (FIE-lo-clade), a flattened structure that photosynthesizes and functions as a leaf. For simplicity, often these structures are called stems or leaves.

Now we come to their differences.

Thanksgiving and Christmas cacti are in the genus Schlumbergera. The Easter cactus (also known as the Whitsun Cactus) is a totally different genus and species, Hatiora gaertneri, or variously classified as Rhipsalidopsis gaertneri.

For discerning plant lovers, the leaves and the flowers helps to correctly identify the Easter cactus.

The Easter cactus has leaves that are flat and segmented. The edges of the segments are slightly scalloped. The Easter cactus will have small bristles on the ends of each leaf.

The three cacti can be more easily distinguished by their flowers. Of course, the time of flowering is a giveaway, with the Easter cactus blooming in April and May, but the kinds of flowers are quite different. The flower of the Easter cactus is more star-shaped, almost taking

on the appearance of a Gerbera daisy with a starburst center. They are more upright, compare to the pendulous blossoms of the Christmas cactus. The colors of the Easter cactus are more vibrant and can be purple, lavender, red, pink, peach, or orange.

Gardeners looking for something a little different this Easter season might consider this pretty Easter

Information from desertsucculents.com



Conservation Stewardship Program applications due Apr. 9

LORI ZIEHR | USDA

TEMPLE — The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas is now accepting applications through April 9, 2021, for Fiscal Year 2021 funding for the Conservation Stewardship Program.

NRCS plans to invest more than \$8 million for new enrollments this year for Texas. The 2018 Farm Bill made several changes to this conservation program, which helps agricultural producers take the conservation activities

on their farm or ranch to the next level.



"CSP continues to be a very effective tool for private landowners working to achieve their conservation and management goals," said Kristy Oates, NRCS state conservationist for Texas. "It is the largest conservation program in the United States with more than 75 million acres of productive agricultural and

While applications are accepted throughout the year, interested producers should submit applications to their local NRCS office by April 9, 2021, to ensure their applications are considered for 2021 funding.

The 2018 Farm Bill authorizes NRCS to accept new CSP enrollments from now until 2023, and it made some changes to the program. These updates include:

• NRCS now enrolls eligible, high-ranking applications based on dollars rather than acres. NRCS covers part of the cost for producers implementing new conservation activities and maintaining their existing activities.

• Higher payment rates are now available for certain conservation activities, including cover crops and resource conserving crop rotations.

• CSP now provides specific support for organic and for transitioning to organic production activities and a special grassland conservation initiative for certain producers who have maintained cropland base acres.

 New tools help producers better evaluate their conservation options, determine whether they are meeting stewardship thresholds, while also enabling them to see potential conservation payment scenarios early in the process.

The program provides many benefits including increased crop yields, decreased inputs, wildlife habitat improvements and increased resilience to weather extremes. CSP is for working lands including cropland, pastureland, rangeland, nonindustrial private forest land and agricultural land under the jurisdiction of a tribe.

For additional information about CSP, contact your local USDA service center or visit www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov. While USDA offices are currently closed to visitors because of the pandemic, Service Center staff continue to work with agricultural producers via phone, email, and other digital tools. To conduct business, please contact your local USDA Service Center. Additionally, more information related to USDA's response and relief for producers can be found at farmers.gov/coronavirus.

Four-part ranch drought management planning series set in April

KAY LEDBETTER | TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will offer a four-part webinar series "Developing a Drought Management Plan for the Ranch" to help producers manage through and recover from the current drought, while also preparing for the next

The program is scheduled from 7-9 p.m. on April 13, April 15, April 20 and April 22. The fee is \$50 and advanced registration at https://bit.ly/2PfDztZ is required by April 12.

DROUGHT SITUATION Much of Texas and Programs, Benavidez. the western U.S. has been in a drought over the last year, said Justin Benavidez, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension economist, Amarillo. As of mid-March, 68% of Texas was in some form of drought, while another 22% was abnormally dry, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor.

With the remainder of the spring forecast predicting a greater than normal chance of below-average precipitation, there is not much relief expected for the state in the near future.

"We developed this program because want to help livestock producers reduce their risk of loss due to a drought when possible," Benavidez said. "Our team believes the information offered may help producers develop holistic strategies to better manage risks in forage production, their financial strategies and livestock management."

The series was developed as part of a grant through the Southern Risk Management Education Center.

SPEAKERS AND TOPICS

- April 13 - Drought Risk Management

 April 15 – Nutrition and Management Strategies for Drought Resilience, Jason Smith, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension beef cattle specialist, Amarillo.

 April 20 – Drought's Impact on Rangeland Plant Communities and Wildfire Checklist/Recovery, Morgan Treadwell, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension range specialist, San Angelo.

- April 22 - Economic Management Strategies to Minimize Drought Impact, Pancho Abello, AgriLife Extension economist, Vernon.

OPEN DISCUSSION ON BENEFITS, CHALLENGES

The webinar series will also include a unique setting for discussion among the four faculty and program attendees. During the discussion period at the end of each session, the entire group will discuss benefits and challenges of each strategy that has been presented. This will offer participants perspective on different strategies from a wide range of expertise.

"Input from our stakeholders and county agents was critical in the origination of this program," Benavidez said. "Our team is really looking forward to providing resources that we believe will have a real financial impact during one of the most frequent and significant challenges our Texan producers face."

Upon completing the entire series, participants will receive three Texas Department of Agriculture pesticide applicator continuing education units - two general and one integrated pest management.

For more information, contact Benavidez at benavidezjustin@tamu.edu or call (806) 677-5600 or (979) 219-5287.

Cattle Market Report Lubbock Tulia Hollis Floydada 3/23/21 3/25/21 3/13/21 3/24/21 **Steers** 200-300 150-195 300-400 165-207 178 165-210 150-185 400-500 150-163 173 155-195 140-163 500-600 145-155 162-171 135-163 145-185 600-700 125-140 144-154.5 135-160 120-155 120-142 700-800 120-130 132.25-140.75 100-128 800-900 128-137 115-137 90-120 900-1110 127.5 105-132 200-300 130-173 Heifers 300-400 140-167 120-158 311 150-180 400-500 135-150 152-168 110-150 132-163 500-600 120-145 139.75-141 118-142 110-143 115-127 600-700 128.5 110-135 90-133 124.25-128 700-800 115-125 95-125 90-123 800-900+ 119.5-122.5 85-120 **Bred Cows** 1000-1275 Young Older 600-1000 **Pairs** 900-1325 1000-1450 Young Older 800-1000 900-1200 58-68 **Packer Cows** 40-85 Fat 60-68 65-74 Boners Thin 45-55 30-45 **Packer Bulls** 75-86 70-96 80-96 High Yield Low Yield 60-80

Emily Teegardin, Attorney

806.823.2132 office • 806.994.8400 cell

Appointments available by request at 111 Main, Quitaque

BISON CAFE

WEEKLY SPECIALS

Tuesday: Chipotle pork, chili verde, and beef tacos. Choose flour tortillas, corn tortillas or crispy shell. Choose two sides: Rice, refried beans, cowboy beans or pappas. Includes chips and salsa. \$12.99

Wednesday: Two red beef enchiladas, or chicken sourcream enchiladas. Choose two sides: Rice, refried beans, cowboy beans, or pappas. Includes chips and salsa.

Thursday: Chicken Fried Steak or Chicken Fried Chicken, sides, strawberry shortcake, and drink. \$12.99

Friday: Fish fry plate. Choose two sides: Cowboy beans, Grilled Vegetables, okra, classic potato salad, baked potato salad, or slaw. Includes Cajun cake and drink. \$10.99

Karen Houchin

Attorney

806-983-5556

Saturday: Two chili relleno plate. Choose two sides: Rice, refried beans. cowboy beans, or pappas. Includes chips and salsa.

114 MAIN STREET. **DOWNTOWN QUITAQUE** (806) 455-1480

We appreciate your continued patronage! -Bison Cafe Family & Crew

Keep up with your area's news every day on the

H-Br social media

806-652-3377 LOCKNEY, Tx. 1000 West Locust Street Clay Lowrance - Manager lockney.coop.mgr@pcca.com

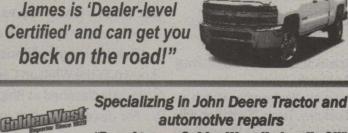
BRIAN & DILIA'S PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CENTER



Brian and Dilia Emert 611 East Houston Street Floydada, Texas (806)983-9368

Motorcraft

'Come see us when your engine light comes on-we can scan your vehicle!





Member F.D.I.C.

FLOYDADA COOPERATIVE GINS, INC. Floydada • 983-2884



AN OWNER OF THE CHS® COOPERATIVE SYSTEM

Out here, three things remain constant: the land, the family who farms it, and the local co-op that helps keep it profitable.

automotive repairs "Proud to use GoldenWest Hydraulic Oil"

> Your cooperative takes pride in providing you with the quality inputs and the risk management, agronomic and other services that are right for your operation. Out here, the co-op's commitment to the success of its members never wavers. As long as you have a local cooperative, you never farm alone.

Your cooperative. Local. Loyal. Trusted



1002 FM 786, Lockney, TX 79241 (806)652-3389 | jimmy.cervantes@chsinc.com



offering state of the art irrigation solutions to meet your every need.

Nick Joiner-Manager Cell: 806.983.3532

117 E. Locust St., Lockney, TX • 806.652.5000

esperium Beacon MARKETPLACE 201 W. CALIFORNIA, FLOYDADA FCHB. NEWS@GMAIL.COM

806.271.3381

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Billie Gayle

Reay, Deceased, were issued on March 15, 2021, in Cause No. 6158, pending in the County

Court of Floyd County, Texas, to: John Fortenberry, Independent Executor.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o; Lanny Voss Owen, Voss, Owen & Melton, PC P O Box 328 Plainview, Texas 79073

DATED the March, 2021.

OWEN, VOSS, OWEN & MELTON, PC P.O. Box 328 Plainview, Texas 79073-0328 Telephone: (806) 296-6304 Facsimile: (806) 296-6829 voss@olvo.net

> Lanny Voss. State Bar No. 20620500 Attorney for John Fortenberry

HELP WANTED

COMMISSIONS **Must Pass Drug Screening**

HAMMOND SHEET METAL is looking to hire an Installer. Must pass background check. Must be able to register with the State of Texas. Must be in good physical condition and be capable of working in attics and under houses. Pick up application at 105 N. 5th Street, Floydada. tfn

SERVICES

MORALES CONCRETE, GRAVEL & SAND WORK-Driveways, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, patios, barn slabs. No job too big or too small. Used 2-3/8-2-7/8 pipe for sale. Call 806-983-7486.

Producers Cooperative Elevator is seeking a MOBILE TIRE TECHNICIAN

Full Time • Fully Paid Health/Dental/Vision Insurance • Must have a Valid Driver's License • Experience in Agriculture Tires preferred • We provide all Uniforms • Paid Vacation/ Paid Sick Time • Fully Paid Life Insurance Policy • COMPETITIVE PAY +

We are currently taking applications at Producers Cooperative Headquarters, located at 301 E Missouri Street in Floydada, Texas.

HELP WANTED - FLOYDADA

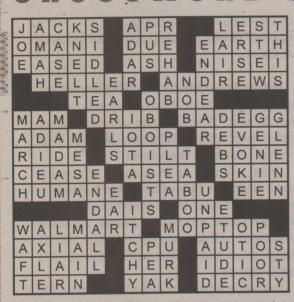
Medicaid, Chip, Most Insurances 3415 19th Street Lubbock 806-796-2020

Children's Eye Exams

DEADLINE NOON Monday

All news and advertising items intended for each week's print and online edition must be received no later than noon on Mondays. Items submitted are subject to holdover for future editions, depending on size, content and available space. No guarantees or assurances are made to when articles or photographs will appear in the newspaper.

CROSSWORD



HELP WANTED - REGION ATTENTION!

NOW HIRING!

Stonewall Memorial Hospital District is accepting applications for a

HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS CLERK!

For more information or to request an application, please contact Connie Mullen at (940) 989-3551 ext. 222.



STONE WALL

ATTENTION! NOWHIRING!

STONEWALL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT is accepting applications for

Admin Secretary

For more information or to request an application, please contact Connie Mullen at

(940) 989-3551 ext. 222.



THANKS FOR

READING

ATTENTION! **NOW HIRING!**

Stonewall Memorial Hospital District is now accepting applications for a

MEDICAL RECORDS CLERK

For more information or to request an application please contact Connie Mullen

(940) 989-3551 ext. 222

Lighthouse Electric Coop 806.983.2814

703 A Matador Hwy

Assiter Ag-Risk

120 W. California Street, Floydada, Tx 806-983-2511

Agriculture Precision Supply Pivots, Flow meters & Equipment www.GoA-P-S.com 806.773.3025 • 806.253.2521



Ryan Pierce 806-724-5828 Part of the Farm Credit System

Payne Family Pharmacy

Goen & Goen Insurance 806.983.3524

102. E. California - Floydada Floydada Coop Gin, Inc. 319 N. 5th Street Floydada TX 79235 806-983-2884

Barwise Gin

806.983.2737

Lockney Co-op Gin

Prosperity Bank Member FDIC

DARTY GIN 806.983.2956

Dougherty, TX

217 W. California - 806.983.3725

ending when elect

20/20 COW May, weed sprayed

Dalivarac Widnin

50 miles

\$65/bale

by the truckload

Call Danny, (940) 389-3068

Aiken Baptist Church Dennis Butler, Pastor Morning Worship..11 a.m.

Bible Baptist Church 810 S. 3rd, Floydada • 983-2578 Darwin Robinson, Pastor Sunday School....10 a.m. Morning Worship-10:50 a.m. Evening Worship—6 p.m.

Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship

Wednesday-7 p.m.

Floydada Armando Morales, Pastor Sunday School-9:45 a.m. Morning Worship-11 a.m. Bible Study-6 p.m. Wednesday Evening-7 p.m.

Carr's Chapel Service Every Sunday Morning Worship—9 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Church of Christ West College & Third, Lockney Morning Worship-10:30 a.m.

Afternoon Worship-1:30 p.m. Wednesday Service-7:30 p.m.

City Park Church of Christ Floydada Bob DuPont, Minister

Sunday Bible Study-9:30 a.m. Morning Worship-10:30 a.m. Evening Worship-6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study-7 p.m.

First Baptist Church Floydada Mark Snowden, Pastor Nathan Adams, Minister of

Students and Discipleship

Ashley Adams, Minister of Music Ludustia Prisk, Director of Children's Ministry Sunday School-9:15 a.m. Morning Worship-10:30 a.m. Evening Worship-6 p.m.

> **First Baptist Church** Lockney

Wed. Bible Study-6:30 p.m.

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

First United Methodist Church Floydada

Gary Boles, Pastor Morning Worship-9:30 a.m. Sunday School-10:50 a.m. Youth (Sunday)-6:30 p.m.

First United Methodist Church

Lockney Rev. Ted Wilson, Interim Pastor Sunday School—9:30 a.m. Worship Service-10:30 a.m.

Grant Chapel Church of God In Christ Joe Bennett, Pastor

Sunday School-10 a.m. Morning Worship-11 a.m Evening Worship—7:30 p.m. Tuesday-8 p.m. Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

Bible Study-9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship-10:30 a.m.

Main Street Church of Christ Lockney James Blair, Minister

Evening Worship-6:00 p.m. Wednesday-7:00 p.m

These local businesses invite you to visit the church of your choice in our area

Mt. Zion Baptist Church Floydada

401 N 12th St. 983-5805 Rev. Timothy Askey Sunday School-10 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Evening Worship—6 p.m. Wednesday Study-6 p.m.

New Salem Primitive Baptist Church

Floydada Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges (806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing—10:30 a.m. Morning Worship -11 a.m.

Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church 310 Mississippi, Floydada Rev David Ramos,

Pastor Ester Ramos, Praise Leader Sunday Bible-10 a.m. Morning Praise-11 a.m. Evening Praise 5—p.m. Wed. Worship-7 p.m.

Power of Praise Full Gospel Church

Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor 704 B Main, Lockney Sunday Services-10 a.m. Sunday Evening-5 p.m. Wednesday-7:30 p.m.

Primera Iglesia Bautista Floyada

Rev. Toby Gonzales Sunday School-9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:40 a.m. Evening Worship-6 p.m. Wed. Evening-7 p.m.

.... Primera Iglesia Bautista

DIRECTORY

Lockney Jesus Caballero, Pastor Sunday School-9:45 a.m. Worship Service-11 a.m. Discipleship-5 p.m. Wed. Service-7 p.m.

San Jose Catholic Church Priest—Sylvester Dsouza Sat.— 4:30 p.m. Evening Mass Sun. – 9 a.m. Mass Mon.-9:30 a.m. Mass Thurs. – 5:30 Evening Mass

South Plains Baptist Church Dan Beaty, Pastor Sunday School—10 a.m Morning Worship-11 a.m.

Templo Getsemani Assembly of God 701 W. Missouri, 983-5286 (Church)

Joe M. Hernandez

Sunday School English-9:45 a.m. Spanish-11 a.m. Worship Spanish-9:30 a.m. English-11 a.m. Evening Service 5 p.m. Wednesday 7 p.m.

St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Floydada, 983-5878

Rev. Renato Cruz Parachial Vicar-Jacob Powell Sunday Mass-11:30 a.m. Mon. & Wed. Mass-6:30 p.m. Confession Sat-10-11 a.m.

Templo Bautista Salem

Lockney Rev. Joe Hernandez Sun Prayer Service-9:30 a.m. Sunday School—9:45 a.m. Worship Service-11 a.m. Evening Worship-6 p.m. Wed. Meeting-7 p.m.

Templo Bethel Spanish Assembly of God Washington and 1st St.

Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship-11 a.m. Evening Worship—5 p.m. Wed. Service-7 p.m.

Templo Nueva Vida Rev. Herman Martinez Co-Pastor Gilbert Flores 308 W. Tennessee, Floydada Sunday School-10:00 a.m. Evening Worship-5:00 p.m. Wednesday Service-7:00 p.m.

Trinity Assembly 500 W. Houston, 983-5499

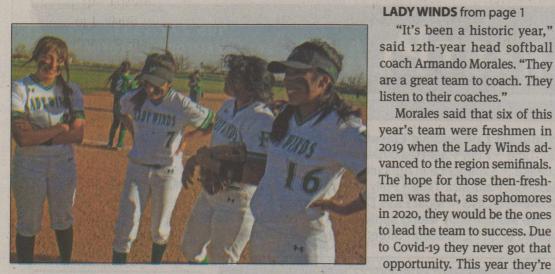
Kari & Justin Brown, Pastors Sunday School-9:30 a.m. Morning Worship-10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening—6 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church Providence Community on Fm 2301

293-3009 Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister Sunday School—9:45 a.m. Worship Service—11 a.m.

West Side Church of Christ Floydada 983-2672 or 470-0950

Sunday Worship-10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening-2 p.m.



LADY WINDS relish their 22-0 victory over Sudan last Friday. **HESPERIAN-BEACON**

said Trevino, a junior.

The only place to watch the #3 in the state Lady Whirlwinds Friday afternoon was on the Sudan side. It was not lost on Lady Hornets boosters that just ten days ago Floydada had defeated another team visiting from west of here—Sundown—57 to 3.

The Lady Winds got things started in the first inning by capitalizing on an error that scored one run for Floydada.

Then Floydada put up eight runs in the third inning. The offensive onslaught led by Marissa Obregon, Trevino, Carissa Fernandez, Tatum Glasscock, Danielle Zavala, and Alyssa Obregon, all knocking in runs in the inning.

Trevino earned the win for Floydada by surrendering zero runs on zero hits over five innings, striking out 11 and walking one.

Floydada's offensive fireworks even included a homer as Fernandez went past the fence in the third inning.

The Lady Winds racked up 12 hits in the game. Fernandez and Garza had three hits to lead Floydada and the Lady Winds stole eight bases during the game as two players stole more than one. Obregon led the way with two. The Lady Winds were sure-handed in the field and didn't commit a single error.

Today, the Nettes held the Lady Winds to "only" 22 points, before the game ended at the fifth inning, due to the 10-run mercy rule, Floydada 22, Sudan o.

After the game several of the Lady Winds, including Trevino, catcher Marissa Obregon, second base Kailee Sanchez and first base Alyssa Obregon talked with their hometown newspaper The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon.

When asked what their goal for the season was, almost in unison, they all agreed that the goal was to go to state. "We want Coach Rehkopf to have to shave off his beard," said Sanchez. Apparently assistant coach Matt Rehkopf whose whiskers extend almost to his chest has offered up a challenge that he will go clean shaven, if the Lady Winds bring home the state trophy.

Besides a bit of whimsy about a beard bet, the Lady Winds remain all business about making a long run into the playoffs, and their focus, discipline and hard work should serve them well. "We practice two or three hours a day," said Sanchez. "The only day we take off is Sunday."

"We shorten practice a little on Wednesdays," said Marissa Obregon, "because it's a church day, too." All of the girls the H-B talked with are juniors except for Alyssa Obregon, who is a senior, and when asked if she might pursue playing softball in college, she said, "I'm thinking about it. I'm getting my information together."

Trevino has pitched every game and every inning this year, except one, including two one-hitter games. In the Hale Center one-hitter game Trevino struck out 13 players in a row, and she has more than 100 strike-outs in just round one of the season. This week, Trevino would go on to be named by the Plainview Herald as the Stat Line player of the week.

Asked about the physical demands on her arm, Trevino said, "I'm fine. We usually only play five innings, and I'm fine.'

If you ask around, old-timers can't recall that Floydada has ever had an athletic team win a state championship. But like the mascot they're named for, the Lady Winds have blown by every team they've played this year, and there's a first time for everything.

Floydada girls play together, stay together: a brief history of the Lady Winds

GILBERT TREVINO | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

The inaugural season for Floydada's high school softball program began in the 2007-08 school year. Brandon Gilliland was the first coach for the program, but he left for a job outside of education in March of that year, before the season ended.

Michael Aleman took over during the 2008–09 school year.

Armando Morales took over in the 2009–10 school year and has been the coach since then.

The following girls started playing together back in 2013: Erin Trevino, Clarissa Delafuente, Marissa Obregon, Alyssa Obregon, Celese Wickware, Analise Perez, Kailee Sanchez, and Tatum Glasscock.

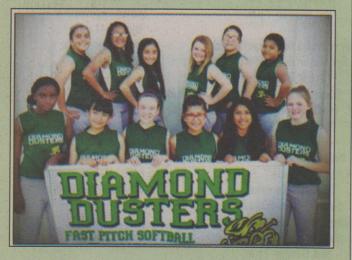
The original team name was the Texas Stars. The team was coached by Erica Perez, and assisted by Ray Perez and Gilbert Trevino

In 2016, I took over the head coaching duties (along with Eddie Sanchez and Tino Obregon) and the team was renamed to the Diamond Dusters.

We have played in tournaments since the girls started in 2013 (most of the girls were 7-8 years old) all over the South Plains, in Amarillo, and Ruidoso, NM.

Here is some info I posted a few days ago as to why I feel the team has had success lately: Want to know the secret to success in softball once you get to high school? Here it is in the attached photos. These girls grew up playing together on the same team. There have been lots of sweat, blood, tears; but, these girls learned to play together and support each other. We recall the tournaments where we were runruled nonstop and went home early! Eventually, we started winning tournaments! They gave up many summers, holidays, etc to devote time to the game! Played in 30 degree weather to 100 degree weather! It was a process! We are all from FLOYDADA... that's the advantage we have! They are now confident but humble! They know how to play the game and know how we expect them to play it! I'm so proud of them! But...we've accomplished nothing! Our record is always 0-0 and the score is 0-0 every time we step on the field!

I have been hard on the girls and pushed them to be their best physically and mentally. I didn't accept mediocrity in anything they did. We learned the game and really focused on the mental aspect of playing fastpitch softball. The girls are instinctive now and know what to do in almost any situating during a game.



LADY WINDS from page 1 **OGDEN** from page 1

"It's been a historic year,"

said 12th-year head softball

coach Armando Morales. "They

are a great team to coach. They

Morales said that six of this

year's team were freshmen in

2019 when the Lady Winds ad-

vanced to the region semifinals.

The hope for those then-fresh-

to Covid-19 they never got that

opportunity. This year they're

back as juniors and ready to

er since we were six or seven,"

"We've been playing togeth-

extend their playoff play.

listen to their coaches."

headquarters building it occupies today. He served first as fleet manager, and did a stint as safety coordinator—both jobs he has held concurrently up until recently-before also assuming responsibilities as member services coordina-

In this last responsibility Ogden found a calling that appears to have suited him perfectly, working with the company's evolving complement of commercial and residential customers. In what had from the start been a member-driven cooperative, organized by locals who were looking to achieve the two-electricalmeters per mile of line required by the Rural Electrification Act, Ogden cheerfully represented the people side of the business.

In his post as member services coordinator and later manager, Ogden has traveled the nation for training and conferences, meeting "lots and lots of

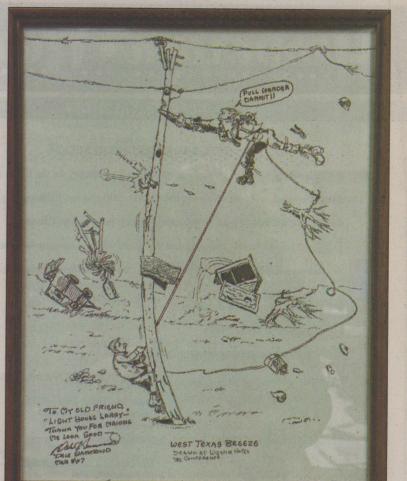
good people," who constitute the thing he said he will find most memorable at the end of his Lighthouse career. During his years with the co-op Ogden has also raised running quarter horses, developed a sideline as a licensed auctioneer, volunteered with the fire department (retiring as company captain) and served as a Red Cross instructor. He has been a member of the Floydada Rotary Club since 1984 and was active in the local Chamber of Commerce, holding the president's position for a while in the 1980s.

His activity in the auction business for 35 years sparked an annual scholarship auction project benefiting children of Texas Electrical Co-op employees that last year provided \$1,200 college fund to those applying.

Ogden has seen sweeping changes in the rural power industry during his four-plus decades at Lighthouse.

"We lost many rural residences for a while, but in the past few years people are moving back to the country. There are lots of small ranches and farms, weekend homes, hunting"-all growing sectors of the region's landscape.

Irrigation is still "growing by leaps and bounds" as well, Ogden said, but with new technology that's making it more feasible to farm again. And the large wind-energy projects that have come to dominate the Floyd County hori-



WEST TEXAS BREEZE blows high for "Lighthouse Larry" in a 2007 caricature by Dale Drummond framed on Ogden's office wall. | HESPERIAN-BEACON

zon create business for Lighthouse, too, which supplies power to substations and handles backflow.

Relative newcomers like Mike Green have brought dedication to the co-op equal to Ogden's own, he said. "When he came to Floydada (from a previous position in Oklahoma) he took a great load off a one-man department."

Green will step up to manager of member services April 1 following Ogden's March 31 retirement. Under the leadership of general manager (since 2018) Albert Daniel, the safety coordinator will now become a standalone fulltime position, and the fleet manager job will shift to full-time too.

Following a pandemic-challenged year, the retirement reception planned for Ogden is to be a small affair with staff only. But Ogden said he has enjoyed working with every one of them, and fondly remembers many who are not around.

About that October ice storm-it seems a fitting bookend to along career. The sheer amount of devastation to power lines, said Ogden, outstripped the damage in that 1978 freeze. Even with round-the-clock shifts, and lots of help from other co-ops, Lighthouse is "still working on getting everything back."

Ogden has no doubt they'll get the job done. "They're good hard-working people," he said. "Actually more of a family than a job."



RICKELS PARK . DOWNTOWN SPUR 禁

The first one of the new year Saturday, April 3 • 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

☆ DOWNTOWN EASTER EGG HUNT ☆

- 2 to 3 p.m., from Rickels Park south to Spur Hardware and Diversions Arcade, including sidewalks and storefronts (Eggs will be hidden in the park during vendor take-down at 1 p.m., so no cheating!)
- · Children from walking age to age 12 are eligible to hunt and must be able to carry their own basket/bag for hunting.
- Find a special golden egg with a prize number? Bring it to the Chamber of Commerce booth in Rickels Park to exchange your number for a gift certificate. Merchants donating family-friendly prizes include Lawrence Brothers, Spur Hardware, Star Feed and Seed, A Touch of Serenity, The Palace Theater and The Texas Spur.
- Winners have until April 15 to visit the merchant and claim their prize.

☆ VENDORS ☆

- Ash's Country Swag Boutique clothing Bahama Junks Sno Cones (weather permitting) Becky Torres - Scentsy • Cindy's Blankets - Blankets • Cottage Food-Baked goods • Deena Diane - Phone grips
- Diversions Information booth First Assembly of God Breakfast burritos, corn cups and aqua frescas • Freedom Church - Brisket burritos, rice, beans and tea • Heather Cornelius - Chalk Couture Goodies • Janet Bridges - Bread • Karen Marvel - KK's Best Sauces, refurbished
- furniture, crafts, sauces, baked goods KCL Crafty Designs Tumblers • Laurie Becker - Handcrafted dolls • Linda's crocheted towels and extras
- Lollie's Farms Eggs and other goods Mary Martin Pickles, jams, etc. • Nikki Reyes - Hair accessories, jewelry, Freshies, etc. • North Dickens Senior Citizens - Breakfast Burritos • Paige Castellon - Hand-painted signs • Shea Rose - Wax melts, Freshie, jewelry • Spur Chamber of
- Commerce Information booth; shopping bags for sale • The Texas Spur - Free coffee; coffee mugs and Spurchandise forsale • Yardzee Games - Wooden games

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE