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SEVEN DECADES OF LOCAL RADIO Paramount Broadcasting Corporation was named the Floydada Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture's business of the month for November. It is the parent company of KFLIP 106.1 FM, celebrating 70 years on air. From left, staffers Ryan Crowe, Tony Ricketts, Alex Driggers and Steven Orr. | COURTESY PHOTO

**Floydada Chamber honors KFLiP
 Radio station marks 70 years, 25 under Paramount**

STAFF REPORTS

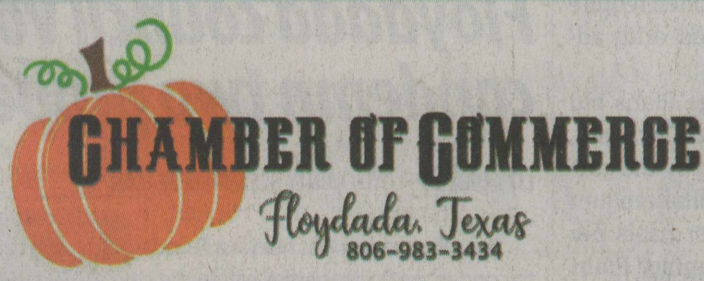
THE FLOYDADA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE has announced Paramount Broadcasting Corporation as its November Business of the Month.

Since 1996, Paramount Broadcasting has owned and operated 106.1 FLiP FM, which celebrates its 70th anniversary this year.

Floydada's FM radio station 106.1 FLiP brings a blend of today's top country hits and music from independent Texas artists to listeners across Floyd and surrounding counties.

All Ag, All Day 900 AM (which celebrated the 20th anniversary of its launch on Friday, Nov. 5) is one of the only radio stations in the country delivering farm and agriculture news to producers 24 hours a day.

In addition to the local stations, Paramount distributes content to radio stations across the country from California to New York through its All Ag News network and recently launched the 24-hour farm format on KPUR 1440 AM in Amarillo.



**Floydada Collegiate ISD announces
 TCLAS Dual Credit grant recipients**

SHAUNA LANE, FCISD DEAN OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON



As Floydada Collegiate ISD continues on the "collegiate" pathway, it is critical that our staff be able to provide instruction for dual credit courses on our home campus. Currently, most dual credit courses are offered online via South Plains College.

Our goal is to be able to offer as many dual credit courses face-to-face on our campus. This will allow us to better support students as they work towards earning an associate's degree in high school (at no cost) or within two years after high school.

Pictured are the 2021 recipients of the TCLAS

Dual Credit Faculty Expansion Grant. These candidates will be working on earning a master's degree with a minimum of 18 hours in the dual credit concentration area, so that they can be approved to teach dual credit to FCISD students.

We applaud these educators for taking on the challenge of increasing their credentials as a part of our collegiate journey and help our Floydada students.

Pictured above are recipients, from left, Jonathan Ramirez, Beth Logsdon, Veronica DeLaFuente, Jessica Munguia, Kalissa Hinson, Pete Payen and Tyree Johnson.

Ricketts approved as SPC adjunct professor

STAFF REPORTS

Floydada Collegiate ISD counselor Pam Ricketts was recently approved as an adjunct professor for South Plains College, according to the district's social media posting. She will be teaching the Education and Training Pathway courses as dual credit in the 2022-23 school year.

The expansion of the Education and Training pathway is an effort to reach out to students about teaching as a career and to provide experience in teaching leading to an associate and bachelor's degree. This pathway connects with FCISD's "Grow Your Own" program by which students complete an associate degree via SPC and then complete a bachelor's degree and teaching certification via Texas Tech University. GYO candidates intern at Floydada Collegiate ISD and they are preferred hires for future teaching positions.

"It is a way to create a quality educator pipeline to fill vacancies and to keep talent here in Floyd

County," said FCISD dean of academic affairs Shauna Lane.

Ricketts holds a Bachelor of Arts in Spanish and English and a master's degree in school counseling. She has 16 years teaching experience and eight years as a school counselor. At FCISD she has taught the high school education and training courses for the past three years, and she has taught Spanish I, II, and III for 16 years.

Ricketts has also been a Texas Association of Future Educator (TAFE) and Business Professionals of America (BPA) sponsor for numerous years.



PAM RICKETTS, FCISD

UPCOMING

TOYS FOR TOTS, ages 1 through 12 years old) is being held by the Floyd County Sheriff's Office. NEW UNWRAPPED toys and donations are welcomed and appreciated. You may drop off items at 125 E. California Street through Dec. 15.

THE LOCKNEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE is now taking nominations for both Citizen and Business of the Year for 2021 through December 31. Nominations must be made through a letter and mailed to P. O. Box 477, Lockney, TX 79241 or given to a Chamber member. The winners will be announced and honored at the banquet on January 15, 2022. Please help us honor some deserving community members!

FLOYDADA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE invites everyone to join them on Thursday, December 16 at Nutthouse Designs as they welcome Santa to The Square in Floydada. Santa will arrive at 5:15 p.m. to start



welcoming children and will stay until 6:30. There will also be a pulled pork sandwich meal benefiting the

Floydada Animal Shelter. There will be crafts for the kids, shopping and a beautiful Christmas card picture worthy backdrop. The Chamber is also accepting vendors to set up down California Street. Vendor spaces are FREE. Santa will then join the Lighted Christmas Parade hosted by the Floyd County Sheriff's Department.

THE 1ST ANNUAL LIGHTED CHRISTMAS PARADE, hosted by The Floyd County Sheriff's Office, is being held on Thursday, Dec. 16 starting at 6:30 p.m. on the Courthouse Square in downtown Floydada. Entry fee is \$5. **MORE UPCOMING** • PAGE 2



**Rural West Texas counties among those eligible
 for SBA disaster loans to ag-related businesses**
Businesses in Floyd and several neighboring counties may apply

STAFF REPORTS

Small nonfarm businesses in 36 Texas counties are now eligible to apply for low interest federal disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration, announced director Tanya N. Garfield of SBA's Disaster Field Operations Center—West. These loans offset economic losses because of reduced revenues caused by excessive moisture in the following primary counties that occurred Jan. 1–July 31, 2021.

Primary counties: Calhoun, Colorado, Delta, Falls, Floyd, Hopkins and Victoria.

Neighboring counties: Aransas, Austin, Bell, Briscoe, Crosby,

Dewitt, Dickens, Fannin, Fayette, Franklin, Goliad, Hale, Hunt, Jackson, Lamar, Lavaca, Limestone, Lubbock, Matagorda, McLennan, Milam, Motley, Rains, Red River, Refugio, Robertson, Swisher, Wharton and Wood.

"SBA eligibility covers both the economic impacts on businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers that have suffered agricultural production losses caused by the disaster and businesses directly impacted by the disaster," Garfield said.

Small nonfarm businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small businesses engaged in aquaculture and most private nonprofit organizations of any

size may qualify for Economic Injury Disaster Loans of up to \$2 million to help meet financial obligations and operating expenses which could have been met had the disaster not occurred.

"Eligibility for these loans is based on the financial impact of the disaster only and not on any actual property damage. These loans have an interest rate of 3 percent for businesses and 2 percent for private nonprofit organizations, a maximum term of 30 years, and are available to small businesses and most private nonprofits without the financial ability to offset the adverse impact without hardship,"

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COMMENTARY Check Your Mirrors

SUE JANE SULLIVAN

From a nurse, with love

I was a nursing student the first time I saw a woman give birth. Even though I was young and naive, I was cognizant of the weight of the moment when the baby took its first breath.

I could also recount the triumph I've experienced, as I helped patients take their first steps following a major surgery. I've been there when the news was really good, when the cure was pronounced, or when they finally got to go home.

Now, with almost 20 years of nursing experience behind me, in hospitals, clinics and patients' homes, you might be surprised to know, that those bright, shiny moments of new life, second chances and celebrations are not the ones that left the deepest impressions.

When I think about the 766,000 Covid-19 deaths in our country, I see the faces of those former patients and their families, not because my patients died of Covid or because they must live with its long-term consequences.

These were real people; they lived in front of me. I see the faces of my nursing colleagues and friends, who are no more immune to their patients'



Kristen McCook, MSN, FNP-BC Assistant Professor of Nursing, Harding University Carr College of Nursing

This week's column is written by a friend whose husband taught with me years ago in Borden County. Kristen and Colt, also an educator, now live in Arkansas with their two young sons.

pain than I am. I know what it is like to be weary, for the work to feel unending and fruitless. And I see your faces also, and I am convinced that if you had any idea about those things, you would not need to be persuaded to be vaccinated against a deadly virus, a virus that has caused tremendous suffer-

ing and death, much of it preventable. It's completely reasonable to be hesitant; it makes sense to ask questions. It's prudent to weigh the evidence carefully, to be discerning in decision-making.

If you're not convinced by the science and urgency of our circumstances, what would it take for you to change your mind?

Snyder, Texas, native Sue Jane Sullivan is a retired schoolteacher whose thought-provoking commentary appears occasionally in several West Texas newspapers.

GUEST EDITORIAL

Medicare Advantage programs: Buyer beware

VINCE DIFRANCO, CEO, W.J. MANGOLD MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

This article is strictly from the perspective of a hospital administrator and the working relationship that healthcare providers and services have with Medicare Advantage Plans.

We are now in the middle of the open enrollment period for Medicare plans and programs, which ends on December 7.

Approximately 42% of eligible people belong to a Medicare Advantage Plan versus traditional Medicare. The Medicare Advantage Plans are operated by private insurance companies such as United Healthcare, Humana and Amerigroup, among others.

Many hospitals have become very selective with the Medicare Advantage plans that are accepted. For the most part, all hospitals and physicians accept traditional Medicare.

From the healthcare provider's perspective, many of the Medicare Advantage Plans are very difficult to work with and in some instances their reimbursement does not even cover the cost to provide service.

Don't take the word of the Advantage Plan sales person—call your provider directly. Many specialists are not "in-network" with Advantage Plans, and many hospitals limit the number of plans in which they participate.

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UPCOMING • FROM PAGE 1

Prizes for the best decorated float. There will be food and so much more! Come and join in on the fun!

THE LOCKNEY SALVATION ARMY is in need of winter coats and non-perishable food. Their new store hours are Mondays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

FLOYD COUNTY 4-H is holding a blanket drive as a community service project. The project is boys vs girls. If the boys collect more blankets, then Tyann Phillips will get a pie in the face.

SEND YOUR COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS TO fchb.editor@yahoo.com

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2021 Community Calendar

COMMUNITY SERVICES

FOOD BANKS—FLOYDADA—Spirit of Sharing (SOS), 925 Crockett St., Floydada, Mon. and Thurs. 2-4:30 p.m. (806) 983-5874. LOCKNEY—Lockney Salvation Army, 108 S. Main, Lockney. (806) 652-2488. PLEASE CALL FOR HOURS DUE TO COVID-19.

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

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

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

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

PUBLIC AND CIVIC MEETINGS COMING UP

WJ MANGOLD MEMORIAL HOSPITAL (LOCKNEY GENERAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT) Wednesday, November 24, 12 noon., Hospital Annex, 320 N. Main, Lockney.

FLOYDADA LIONS AND ROTARY CLUBS are currently meeting together Tuesdays, 12 noon, First United Methodist Church, Floydada.

LOCKNEY ROTARY CLUB meets Fridays, 12 noon, Lockney Senior Citizens Center.

Lockney council approves PD-county interlocal agreement

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During the regular November meeting of the Lockney City Council, members voted to approve a draft of an interlocal agreement between the Floyd County Sheriff's Office and the City of Lockney Police Department for cooperation and support.

The council tabled any decision regarding the purchase of communication software for law enforcement until further questions could be answered. A special meeting has been called for Nov. 23 to move forward once more information has been provided.

The purchase of a 2021 Dodge Charger equipped for use by law enforcement was approved, with financing through Happy State Bank.

After reviewing and considering bids, the council ratified acceptance of a bid for an information system to help detect when sewers are not operating properly and for maintenance of water levels in wells and tanks. Consent agenda items were approved.

A workshop was held to finalize updates to city ordinances; no action was taken.

Floydada council votes to condemn two properties

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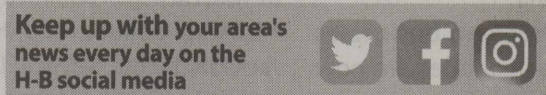
A public hearing was held last Tuesday regarding the possible decision to condemn two properties within the city of Floydada. Though the hearing was attended, there was no public comment and the council voted to condemn the properties.

The city also had three requests for zoning variances. All three requests were approved.

In other business, the council voted to retain the auditor services of CMMS CPAs.

One bid was accepted for city-owned lots.

The council agreed to hold its next meeting early on December 14 due to the holidays.



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Foodbytes

ANGELINA LARUE

Cranberry Curd Hand Pies a flavorful Thanksgiving twist

Some families love cranberry sauce during the holidays, and can't imagine a turkey sandwich without it. For my family, I think some of us like it to an extent, but in reality, I believe we feel it is tradition and we will always have the obligatory, pretty dish of cranberries on the table whether the sauce gets eaten or not.

Some years, I make a nice cranberry sauce with orange peel and pecans. And other years, we have the "sliced" kind from the store.

The sweet-tartness of fresh cranberries lends itself to other confections as well. My family enjoys cranberry curd, which is wonderful on roasted turkey.

After Thanksgiving last year, I had a full bag cranberries left over and made a fresh batch of cranberry curd. I decided to try it as a filling for tiny hand pies.

The first time I made lemon curd, I was certain it sounded difficult. However, it's quite easy to make a curd. It's similar to making pudding or custard. I've also made it for gifts before, and placed it cute little Weck jars to hand out (refrigerate for up to 1 week).

I saved a few fresh cranberries to place on the platter as a garnish. I don't typically garnish my food, unless it is for a photo or an event. But I could just picture them frosted with sugar. I brushed the cranberries with light corn syrup, and rolled them in granulated sugar before placing them next to the hand pies for their beauty shot. This works well with clusters of grapes, as well.

If you would like to add a garnish to your platters for the holidays, pick something that the food or recipe contains. This will let your guests, or family, know what they will be eating.

Enjoy food made fresh!

Cranberry Curd Hand Pies

- Prepared pie dough for 2, 9-inch pies
- 12-ounce bag fresh cranberries
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- Peel or zest of 1 orange (orange part only)
- Juice of 1 orange (about 1/2 cup, or add enough water to equal 1/2 cup)
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter
- 2 eggs, plus 2 egg yolks
- Egg wash (made with 1 egg whisked with 1 tablespoon water)
- Glaze (made with 1/2 cup powdered sugar whisked with 3 tablespoons cream or milk)

Rinse cranberries and place into a medium saucepan. Add sugar, orange peel and orange juice. Bring to a low boil over medium heat and cook until cranberries start to pop or burst. This will take 5 to 10 minutes.



HEARD OF CURD? Like a pudding or custard, curd is a smooth treat that can be made as a gift, or stuffed into small pies. | ANGELINA LARUE PHOTO

Using a food process or blender, puree the cooked berries. Pour the puree through a sieve into the saucepan. Press the mixture through the sieve with the back of a wooden spoon. Scrape off any that has collected beneath the sieve to add to the saucepan, as well. (Be cautious of the hot liquid when using the food processor or blender.)

Add the butter to the pan and place over medium heat. As butter melts, beat the 2 eggs and 2 egg yolks in a dish with a fork. Add a bit of hot cranberry mixture to the eggs to temper them so the eggs are warm when added to the hot liquid and will not "cook." Tip: If you do get some bits of cooked egg or other solids, you can strain the mixture through a sieve for a second time so it is velvety smooth. After adding the tempered eggs to the mixture, whisk until well blended, and continue cooking for about 5 minutes until mixture is thick and bubbling. Remove from heat and let cool a bit.

If using right away, room temperature will be fine, if not, cover and chill until ready to use. (The dough will handle best with cooled filling.)

Preheat oven to 400° F. Roll out dough on a floured surface. Cut out 3-inch circles. Reroll dough scraps and repeat, which will make 22 to 24 pies.

Place approximately 2 teaspoons of curd in the middle of each circle. Brush some of the egg wash around the edges of the circle, which will help seal the dough. Pull the top half of the circle down over the dough and press to enclose the dough. Seal with tines of a fork or your fingertips. Repeat to complete all the pies. Make vent holes with the tines of the fork atop each pie. Place pies onto baking sheets, and brush tops with egg wash. If you have any excess curd, store in a sealed container for up to 1 week and use on toast or biscuits.

Bake for 18 to 20 minutes in preheated oven. Let cool for a few minutes, then drizzle with glaze. Serve warm or room temperature. Makes 22 to 24 small hand pies.

Angelina LaRue, author of "The Whole Enchilada: Fresh and Nutritious Southwestern Cuisine," grew up at White River Lake, lives in Idalou and writes a weekly food column for local newspapers.



COMMENTARY

The 501

HANABA MUNN WELCH

Chrome gleamed, headlights beamed

Does anybody else watch "Perry Mason" just to see the cars? Yeah, detective Paul Drake is kinda cute, but it's the vehicles that catch my eye. So many land yachts.

How do Perry and Paul find time to buy new ones each week? Why so many convertibles?

Idle questions. But seeing those cars sharpens the picture of how things have changed.

I still miss that chrome. It was the real deal. So shiny when you shined it.

Is chrome an element? Wasn't it on that big chart on the science classroom wall?

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH PAUSE.

The difference between chromium and chrome? (Skip this next part if you don't care.) Google's answer:

"Chromium and Chrome are built on the same framework. Chromium is open-source, while Google Chrome is a proprietary software."

I might have known the Chrome operating system would complicate things. I've got Chrome. But Chromium surprised me. It's like Googling "adobe," meaning sun-dried mud. You get only software information, even when you stick to lowercase. Try it. But only if you're bored.

It took doggedness; here's the chrome-chromium answer: "Chromium is element number 24 on the periodic table. Chrome is the name given to chromium when it is electroplated over another metal."

Back to cars.

Mid-century models weren't flimsy. The word "ding" hadn't been invented, except for cash registers. Cars didn't get dings. They got dents. It took more than a slow-moving errand shopping cart.

Headlights gleamed. The glass didn't crystallize and turn ugly and cloudy like today's plastic lenses, which I hesitate to dignify with the term "lenses" inasmuch as "lens" by definition implies transparency.

Yes, a road rock could knock out one of those glass headlights. Then you simply bought a replacement — round or rectangular. Those were the choices. Simple, wonderful headlights. They didn't even cost all that much.

If your lights grew dim, you blamed the battery or generator or alternator. Now it's cloudy lenses. Would that the safety experts preoccupied with gas can spouts would shift their attention to headlights. That might at least spare us more spout "improvements."

Yes, I dearly miss those old beaming headlights. The Texas sun has a way of giving today's cars the automotive version of cataracts. It's easier to fix human eyes.

But surprise — I just bought a ten-year-old car with pristine lenses. The previous owner had kept it in her garage. The lights cut through darkness! I'm in headlight heaven! Really.

Lacking garage space for the car, I've devised a way to maintain the lenses — quilted fabric headlight covers. Sewn-in concealed magnets and lead weights keep them in place. Ragged bottom edges add ugliness — hopefully enough to discourage thieving nocturnal street-roamers. The covers are baby blue. I'm thinking miscreants like black.

If they get stolen, I'll be flattered. I'll make more. I'll start a business. I'll get a patent. I'll get on morning TV.

Meanwhile, a suggestion for carmakers:

Watch some "Perry Mason." You might get some good ideas — like headlights that open and close like eyes. Seriously.

Hanaba Munn Welch is a veteran correspondent and columnist who unfailingly sums up her weekly thoughts in 501 words and dashes. Farm life often inspires her writing. Hanaba@copper.net

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Floydada Senior Citizens News

LU ANN COLLINS | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

The Center will be closed on the week of Nov. 22–26 for the Thanksgiving holidays. We will be back to normal schedule on Tuesday, Nov. 30.

The Center is now open three days a week. We are serving lunch on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. We offer dine-in, carry-out or delivery. On Wednesdays we will be selling meals to go for \$5. Meals on Tuesdays and Thursdays are \$7.

Please call (806) 983-2032 if you need to order meals for delivery or carryout. For delivery, please call before 10:30 a.m.

Lunch will be served from 11:15 a.m. through 1 p.m. There is no added fee for delivery.

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. Every donation or memorial is greatly appreciated and helps the Center stay open.

MENU

Tuesday, Nov. 23 – Pork loin w/gravy
Tuesday, Nov. 30 – Chicken w/rice & gravy

Wednesday, Dec. 1 – Beef & veg soup w/ cornbread

Thursday, Dec. 2 – Salisbury steak

Tuesday, Dec. 7 – Spaghetti & meatballs

Wednesday, Dec. 8 – Smothered burritos w/chili & cheese

Thursday, Dec. 9 – Chicken fried steak

(Menu subject to change without notice)

Lockney Senior Center News

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

The Center will be closed to the public on Wednesday, Nov. 24, Thursday, Nov. 25, and Friday, Nov. 26 for the Thanksgiving holidays. **HOMEBOUND CLIENTS** will still receive their delivered meals on these days.

There will be **NO GAME NIGHT** on Thursday, Nov. 25. We will **NOT** be serving breakfast til further notice.

The Center is available for rentals for your dances, reunions, baby showers. Day rentals are \$75 and day/evening (night parties) are \$125. Please keep us in mind. Call the Center to reserve.

The Center is now accepting credit and debit cards. The Center will be operating and serving lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday thru Friday, by dine-in, pickup, or delivery in Lockney only. Meals are \$6 for members and \$7 for non-members.

Membership is \$30 annually. You have the opportunity to join now for \$15. Renewal will be in January 2022. Membership fees go directly into our building and maintenance fund and are essential for continuing operations.

The Center would like to invite 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. We will be slowly adding more things that you can order on any day.

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

MENU

Tuesday, Nov. 23– Ham & turkey plate w/sides
Wednesday, Nov. 24 – **CLOSED**
Thursday, Nov. 25 – **CLOSED**
Friday, Nov. 26 – **CLOSED**
Monday, Nov 29 – **Lasagna w/garlic bread**
Tuesday, Nov. 30 – **Steak fingers w/cream gravy**
Wednesday, Dec. 1 – **Beef stew w/rolls**
Thursday, Dec. 2 – **Deluxe salad**
Friday, Dec. 3 – **Chicken pasta**
(All meals are served with sides and dessert)
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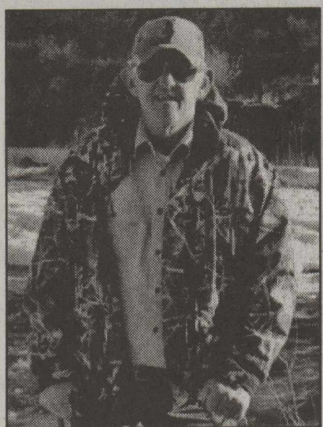
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OBITUARIES

Rodger Lynn Stapp, 1952–2021



Rodger Lynn Stapp, 69, of Lockney, passed away peacefully after battling Alzheimer's disease for many years, on November 18, 2021. Visitation was held at 12:45 p.m., Monday, November 22, 2021 at Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Lockney.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m., Monday, November 22, 2021 at the Lockney Cemetery. Arrangements were under the personal care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Lockney.

Rodger was born on July 7, 1952 in Lockney, Texas.

Rodger married Belinda in 1971, and together they raised their family in Lockney. Rodger operated Stapp Body Shop for 40 years.

As an active member in his church, Rodger served as deacon for many years. Rodger also served on the city council and was mayor for eleven years.

His greatest pleasure came from making memories in the mountains with his family, fly fishing, and four-wheeler adventures.

The family wishes to express many thanks to the wonderful caregivers at My Lometa Home, and the nurses with Hospice Traditions, who have been like family to Rodger.

He was preceded in death by his father, Louis Ray Stapp, and his mother, Dorothy Stapp.

Rodger is survived by his wife, Belinda; his children, Shana and Todd Hallmark, Andy and Cara Stapp, Jeremy and Lindi Stapp, Tyrell and Kara Stapp; his seven grandchildren; and two brothers, Randall and Lyndall.

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



Razzle Dazzle Red Hat Sisters hold meeting, Thanksgiving luncheon celebration

MARY M. CARTER | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

The Razzle Dazzle Red Hat Sisters met at the Church of Christ of Turkey, Texas, at 11 a.m. for a Thanksgiving luncheon celebration on November 4, 2021. Some of the ladies took food dishes and others saw to the main meats. You know that lunch had to be goooood!

After the lunch was over, Virginia Taylor, our Queen Mother, called the meeting to order. Karla Kindberg said prayer for the sick and those who have had accidents. Please keep others in your prayers too. Karla read about Thanksgiving and why we celebrate it. It is always nice to be reminded of these important things that maybe forgotten in the future. Virginia went over business and things for us to be aware of to come.

One of the things to come is our Christmas Celebration Luncheon, which will be at the President's House in Plainview, Texas. It is now a lovely Bed & Breakfast that once housed the presidents of Wayland Baptist University. We will meet there at 11:30 a.m. on December 6, 2021. That is a Monday, which is a change from our usual Thursday. We will have a neat experience, as we are going to meet the Red Hat Ladies from Tulia. I think there will be a lot of laughter! Have a good time, ladies, in December.

Our November program speaker was Joy Turner, on "The Joy of My Flower Garden." She told us about her flower beds and the flowers that bloom during the year. That way she has beautiful flowers all year. It takes a lot of work, but it is worth it. Joy has nine beds she attends to. She keeps them up and at the proper time of the year, she plants them for the season with the flowers to grow that time of the year. Each guest received a package of flower seeds. There were all different kinds of seeds. I would like to come and see your garden in the spring and summer, Joy. There are no words for a flower garden except—beautiful!

I remember my high school girlfriend does gardening too, and she orders the year before any new flowers. She just goes through the catalog page by page. She truly enjoys it. (Mary M.)

Those attending the meeting were Sandy Fuston, Sue Daniels, Jo Beth Turner, Barbara Edwards, Elaine McNeill, Margie Sue, Virginia Taylor, Gloria Fannon, Emma Pate, Ethelyn Vernon, Karla Kindberg, Gwen Gillham and Joy Turner.

Note: The meeting of October 2021 was held in Turkey, Texas at Lacy's Dept. Store. Everyone was to be there by 10 a.m. There were food items to snack on while waiting. The ladies enjoyed the Style Show, with the relatives of Lacy's modeling the clothing and jewelry. All enjoyed the children who modeled too. Then the ladies went shopping. For lunch they went to a location of their choice. All in all, it was a great and enjoyable time for everyone.

Hi, Mary M. here. Thank you Ethelyn Vernon for taking the notes for me about the meeting and the phone calls too. God bless you all. Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

TxDOT sidewalk project to begin in Floydada

STAFF REPORTS

The Texas Department of Transportation announced the start of a project to improve sidewalks and curb ramps in Floyd County this month, weather permitting.

"The project will make sidewalk improvements and add or upgrade ramps to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards along various locations in Floydada, Hart and Tulia," said Heath Bozeman, P.E., TxDOT Plainview Area engineer. Bozeman added that work could begin as early as Nov. 8.

"Project limits along FM 784 in Floydada span from N. Texas Avenue to US 70," Bozeman said. "Other roads included in the project are US 62, from CR 260 to US 70, and US 70, from Texas Street to FM 246."

Drivers can expect shoulder and outside lane closures during the daytime and are asked to slow down in work areas to ensure the safety of road crews.

The project also includes work in Swisher and Castro counties. In Hart, improvements will be made on FM 168 from Avenue A to Railroad Avenue. Project limits in Tulia include FM 1318 from US 87 to FM 146, SH 86 from US 87 to S. Jackson Street, US 87 from FM 1318 to SH 86, and FM 146 from FM 1318 to SH 86.

Ti-Zak Concrete, Inc. LeCenter, Minn. is the contractor for the project. Work is expected to wrap up in late July 2022.

Thanksgiving drivers urged to move over or slow down for tow trucks and other emergency vehicles

STAFF REPORTS

As they travel Texas roadways during this Thanksgiving holiday, motorists are urged to slow down or move over for stopped emergency vehicles including tow trucks, police cars and fire trucks.

Texas law requires drivers to slow down at least 20 miles per hour under the posted speed limit or, if able, to change lanes when they're passing a first responder stopped on the road.

Large numbers of travelers are expected on Texas roads, which means that more breakdowns and traffic stops are likely as well. Drivers should pay attention to what's happening around them and prepare to react quickly.

"Our tow truck licensees work hard every day to help people who are stranded on the side of the road. And, like everyone else, they are anxious to return home safely each night," said Brian E. Francis, executive director for the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR). "Please slow down or move over when you see emergency vehicles stopped on the side of the road. It's the safe thing to do and it's the law. Let's make the holiday memorable for positive reasons and not because someone was killed or injured."

TDLR regulates tow trucks as well as driver education and driving safety courses.

South Plains Hobby Club learns about Floydada native Dempsey at Floyd County Historical Museum

MARY M. CARTER | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

The South Plains Hobby Club met at the Floyd County Historical Museum in Floydada, Texas at 2 p.m. on November 10, 2021.

Helen Teeple, our president, called the meeting to order. A prayer was said for the sick. She told us of the business and happenings to come. Our Christmas Celebration Luncheon will be at the South Plains Baptist Church on December 8, 2021 at 12 noon. Everyone will bring a dish. Don't forget to bring a Christmas inspirational exchange book. We are going to give to a charity again this year; it will be chosen by all attendees.

Ethelyn Vernon gave a reading on "Being a Christian is like being a pumpkin!" God picks us up and in the end His light is in us. Psalm 71:23. (Look this up it is on Facebook). Ethelyn, you always pick the ones we need right now.

Dorothy Turner's program was about Maj. Gen. Robert (Bob) Dempsey from Floydada, Texas. His career was in the Air Force. We were privileged to see a film about Maj. Gen. Dempsey. Also, there are uniforms and other clothing that are displayed in the museum. I would really like to meet him. To speak with someone like him would be very interesting. Dorothy then opened up a time of questions. Thank you, Dorothy, for the education you gave us on a fine man. I guess I'm a little patriotic, or a lot!

After the meeting, Dairy Queen was the place for dessert.

Those attending were Helen Teeple, Carolyn Marble, Sue Daniels, Ethelyn Vernon, Virginia Taylor, Janis Julian and Kathy Mulder.

MUSE NEWS

Floyd County's local archive benefits researchers from all over.

The Mary Lou Bollman History and Genealogy Center and the Floyd County Historical Museum, across from courthouse in Floydada, Texas, provide helpful information regarding family and local history to visitors and to written requests from across the nation and the globe.

Included in the museum's collection are artifacts from the 1540 Coronado Expedition discovered Blanco Canyon and a scale model reproduction of the Montgomery Ranch House. We maintain an extensive genealogy library for Floyd county and the U.S., and our photographic collection of over 3,800 photos has been digitized for searching and printing.

Visiting the museum in person

Visitors are welcome at the Museum weekday afternoons from 1 to 5 p.m., or by appointment, (806) 983-2415 or fchmuseum@sbcglobal.net.

Memberships and contributions welcome

Dues and contributions are vital to the museum's operation and maintenance. The Genealogy Center and the Museum welcome memberships from within and outside Floyd County at any time. Memorial contributions will be acknowledged with cards to the family members.

Please mail membership dues, contributions or memorials to: Floyd County Historical Museum, P. O. Box 304 Floydada, TX 79235

Thank you for helping preserve Floyd County history! www.floydcountymuseum.com

National Ranching Heritage Center to host 43rd Annual Candlelight at the Ranch

STAFF REPORTS

LUBBOCK—Visitors will celebrate a frontier Christmas Dec. 10 and 11 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. when the National Ranching Heritage Center (NRHC) celebrates its 43rd Annual Candlelight at the Ranch.

"We regularly have totaled 10,000 visitors a year for this one event over the past decade," explained Helen DeVitt Jones Endowed Director of Education Julie Hodges. "The pathways of our historic park are lined with more than 4,000 luminarias and the entire park is lit as much as possible with only lanterns, fireplaces and campfires."

The annual event is free to the public with a minimum suggested \$5 donation per family. VIP tickets costing \$75 per carload (max 7 persons) will be available for those seeking reserved parking and early admission at 6 p.m.

Hodges said. Candlelight at the Ranch has become the signature event most associated with the NRHC as visitors experience what Christmas might have been like on the open prairie from 1780 to 1950.

Holiday scenes will be recreated in 15 historic structures such as the 1838 El Capote Log Cabin, 1886 XIT Ranch headquarters, 1888 Matador Half-Dugout and 1909 Queen-Anne style Barton House. Visitors will have maps pointing the way to each structure, and they can download the NRHC app for specific details about each structure and a more guided experience.

The event requires the help of 150 volunteers each night, according to Hodges. "It's not just the living history volunteers that everyone sees dressed in period clothing, but it's all the other people working behind the scenes."

Workers include volunteers who welcome guests at the door, play live music, sell hot cocoa, make kettle corn, help Santa with his visitors, serve meals to the volunteers, keep pathways safe, sing Christmas carols, oversee the parking lot and much more.

The lighted pathways will be wheelchair and stroller accessible as visitors pass cowboys camped out near their horses and brewing coffee over a campfire. Visitors will have maps guiding them to Santa Claus will be located in the Pitchfork Pavilion but will leave promptly at 9:30 p.m. Visitors can purchase refreshments in the decorated 6666 Barn and on the Campbell patio while they listen to Brazos West play Christmas music with a Texas swing.

Hodges said Candlelight visitors will no longer experience long entry lines but will enter through the front doors and proceed to the patio, where they can access park trails and buy kettle-corn. Visitors can choose in what order they see the historic structures, which lighted pathways they take, and when they exit the park prior to closing.

Visit nrhc.ttu.edu to learn more information and see frequently asked questions about Candlelight at the Ranch. The National Ranching Heritage Center is located on the Texas Tech University campus at 3121 Fourth St. For additional information, call (806) 742-0498.

PLAN AHEAD FOR HOLIDAY DEADLINES

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

(Thursday, December 23, 2021)
Advertising/content deadline Monday, Dec. 20

LETTERS TO SANTA

(Thursday, December 16, 2021)
Letters to Santa due from GRADES K-4, ALL SCHOOLS, Tuesday, Dec. 7
Advertising and other content deadline Friday, Dec. 10

2021: THE YEAR IN REVIEW

(Thursday, December 30, 2021)
Advertising/content deadline Monday, Dec. 27



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Floydada Whirlwinds

Floydada FFA Agricultural Advocacy Team places 2nd at District LDC competition

STAFF REPORTS | FCISD PHOTO

The Floydada Floydada FFA Agricultural Advocacy Team, consisting of five freshmen girls, competed at the Plainview District Leadership Development Competition on Tuesday, Nov. 9, in Abernathy. The team placed second in Ag Advocacy and advanced to the Area competition, which was held on Saturday, Nov. 20 at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. Their project focused on the implications of the pumpkin industry in Floyd County. Also discussed in their presentation was the varieties of pumpkins, water and soil conservation, and bee pollination. Members of the Agricultural Advocacy Team are, from left, Mia Snowden, Allyson Romero, Kirsten Pyle, Miranda Reyes, and Sydni Cheshsir. Alyssa Obregon, scoring Danielle Zavala.



Floydada CISD students and educators recognized at board meeting

STAFF REPORTS | FCISD PHOTO

Floydada CISD Students and Educators of the Month were recognized during the School District's Board of Trustees meeting Monday night, Nov. 15.

Honored as Students of the Month from A.B. Duncan Elementary School were second graders Michael Stewart and Lincoln Rainwater, fifth graders Emily Martinez and Kaylee Hernandez and Educator of the Month was Kenna Sullivan, a second grade reading teacher.

Floydada Collegiate Junior High students chosen as Students of the Month was seventh grader Angel Olvera and sixth grader Karah Cavazos.

Honored as the Floydada Collegiate High School Students of the Month was the FFA Agricultural Advocacy Team. Members of the team are all freshman girls. They were Sydni Cheshsir, Kirsten Pyle, Miranda Reyes, Allyson Romero and Mia Snowden. Also honored as Educator of the Month was Alejandra Ramirez, ag teacher and FFA sponsor.



FLOYD COUNTY 4-H NEWS & ACTIVITY CALENDAR STAFF REPORTS

NOVEMBER

29-30: Swine Validation

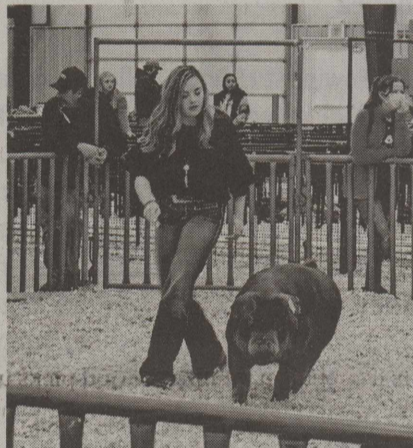
30: October point sheet due

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Floydada FFA Spotlight ASHLYN GREEN

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Ashlyn Green, a senior at Floydada Collegiate High School, is the daughter of Robby and Sherre Green.

She has been a part of the Floydada FFA for four years.

"What I like most about being in FFA and Ag is being able to learn new things each and every day," said Green. "Also, I get to acquire new skills that I will be able to use in the future."

Ashlyn said that being involved in FFA and Ag classes have taught me to always work together. Not one person is singled out. She added, "We are all working towards a common goal and in the end, it is such a good feeling to accomplish something as a team."

Green commented, "The FFA event that I am looking forward to the most is a toss up between showing my barrow in the county stock show and competing in Poultry Judging."

Floydada BAND Spotlight CAYDENCE BAILEY

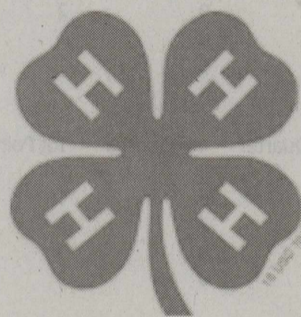
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COURTESY PHOTO

Caydence Bailey, a junior at Floydada Collegiate High School, is the granddaughter of Joyce Bailey.

Caydence has been a part of the Whirlwind band for four years.

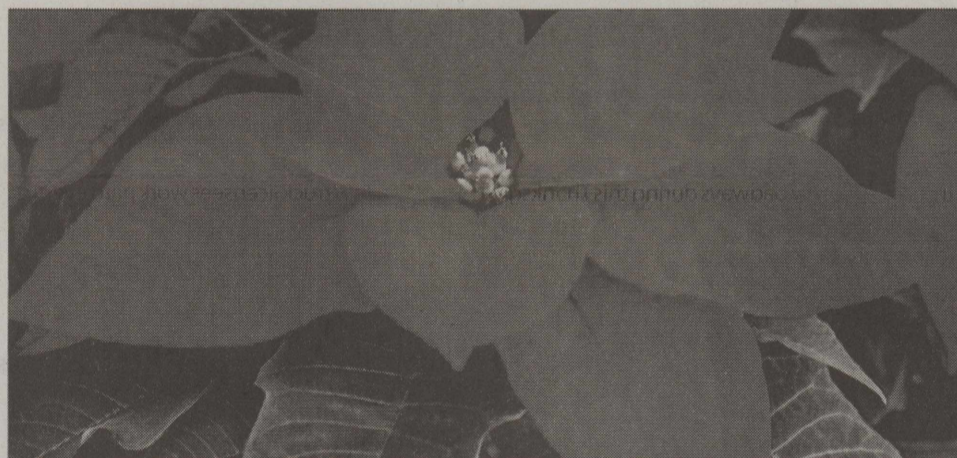
"The things I like most about FCHS Band is that we are a big family. If anyone needs something, you can go to anyone in the band and they will be there for you, whether it's with sympathy or solutions," said Bailey. "But what I love most is the game day tradition of all circling around the seniors, getting a little pep talk, saying a prayer and screaming 'one band, one sound!'"

Caydence looks forward to learning more instruments and being able to help the eighth-graders learn and grow into better musicians.



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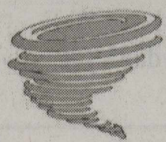


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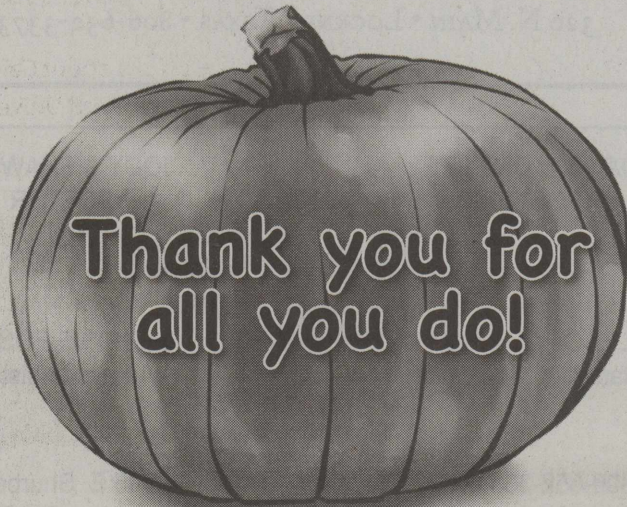
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Lockney Longhorns

Lockney Roundball Roundup

FRED CERVANTES | HESPERIAN-BEACON CORRESPONDENT
PHOTOS BY CERVANTES PHOTOGRAPHY

A productive week for basketball took place for the Lady Horns, and the Longhorns made their debut with new head basketball coach Kelan Verette.

The Lady Horns hosted Crosbyton this past Tuesday night and came out the victor 38-35. The Lady Horns had a slow start but managed the win. Adrianna Villarreal leads the Lady Horns in scoring for the night with 21 points.

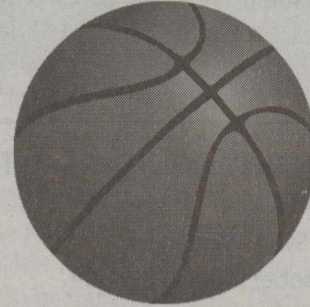
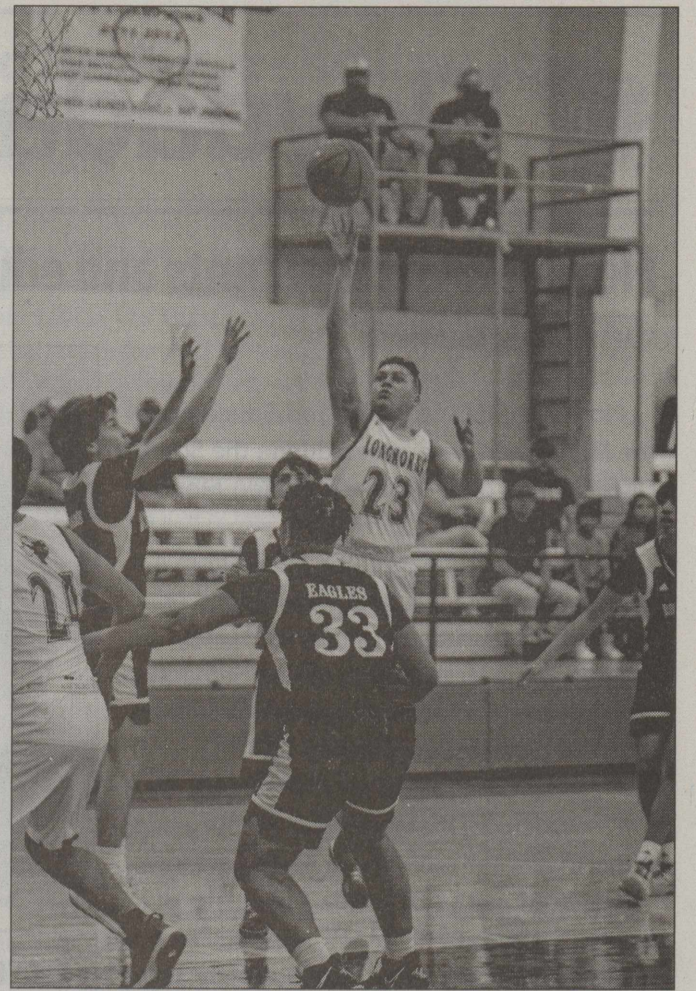
The Lady Horns competed in the Queen of the Court Basketball Classic last week in Spur, from Nov. 18 through 20. Their schedule consisted of Valley, Throckmorton and Slaton, wrapping up game-play against Spur. The Lady Horns finished the tournament 2-2,

falling to Valley and Spur. The top three leading scorers for the Lady Horns were Gabriella Cervantes with 70 points, Mariah Ascencio with 52 points, and Adriana Villarreal with 36 points.

Coach Bale said after the event, "Spur puts on a great tournament. We saw some really solid teams and the girls played very well. We continue to get better and are excited to see where we can go."

For the Longhorns, Coach Verette led his team to a decisive win against the visiting Roosevelt Eagles. "The kids played unselfishly and I think that's the key to this team. They will give up a good shot for a better shot." A fast-paced Longhorns team outscored the Eagles 80-56.

Both basketball programs headed to Seagraves on Monday, Nov. 22, and will host Olton on Tuesday before the Thanksgiving break. They travel to Muleshoe on Nov. 30.



Player	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Tot Points
Adrianna Villarreal #10, Junior	8	4	4	5	21
Gabriella Cervantes #21, Senior	5	6	0	0	11
Senayda Bernal #2, Junior	0	2	3	0	5
Mariah Ascencio #30, Junior	0	1	0	0	1

Player	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Tot Points
Gabriella Cervantes #21, Senior	10	1	3	12	26
Haven Walker #32, Junior	3	0	2	0	5
Mariah Ascencio #30, Junior	0	2	2	0	4
Adrianna Villarreal #10, Junior	0	0	2	0	2
Landri McCombs #0, Freshmen	0	0	2	0	2
Senayda Bernal #2, Junior	0	1	0	0	1

Player	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Tot Points
Mariah Ascencio #30, Junior	8	8	2	6	24
Gabriella Cervantes #21, Senior	0	9	9	0	18
Adrianna Villarreal #10, Junior	3	0	0	2	5
Adalyah Jones #4, Sophomore	0	1	3	0	4
Senayda Bernal #2, Junior	0	0	3	0	3

Player	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Tot Points
Mariah Ascencio #30, Junior	5	8	2	5	20
Gabriella Cervantes #21, Senior	0	3	5	8	16
Adrianna Villarreal #10, Junior	0	4	7	4	15
Adalyah Jones #4, Sophomore	1	4	0	2	7
Senayda Bernal #2, Junior	3	6	0	0	9
Haven Walker #32, Junior	0	2	0	0	2

Player	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Tot Points
Adrianna Villarreal #10, Junior	2	0	7	5	14
Gabriella Cervantes #21, Senior	0	4	0	6	10
Mariah Ascencio #30, Junior	0	0	4	0	4
Senayda Bernal #2, Junior	3	0	0	0	3
Haven Walker #32, Junior	0	2	0	0	2
Adalyah Jones #4, Sophomore	0	2	0	0	2

Player	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Tot Points
Josh Barretero #23, Senior	3	6	17	5	31
Austin Rodriguez #21, Senior	3	4	6	6	19
Max Ramirez #0, Sophomore	6	2	3	0	11
Andrew Bustillos #11, Sophomore	5	0	0	4	9
Jonathan Cienfuegos #24, Soph.	0	3	0	2	5
Felix Gonzales #13, Junior	0	3	0	0	3
Jisiah Lara #4, Sophomore	0	2	0	0	2



Lockney Junior High posts 2nd 6 weeks honor rolls

STAFF REPORTS

The following students enrolled in Lockney Junior High earned "A" Honor Roll for the 2nd 6 weeks of the 2020-21 school year.

6th grade: Aaren Rexrode, Caycen Wright

7th Grade: Tylee Benton, Sean Gonzales, Mattee Rehkopf

8th Grade: Daniel Alvarado, Elianna Jimenez

The following students enrolled in Lockney Junior High earned "A/B" Honor Roll for the 2nd 6 weeks of the 2020-21 school year.

6th Grade: Brylee Ascencio, Zylee Castillo, Joscelin Guerrero, Braxton Kemp, Addyson Madrigal, Criss Nunez, Jazmin Olmos, Jasmine Perez, Seth Perez, Logan Rodriguez, Teagan Rogers, Josiah Rosales, Evan Salazar, Siya Salazar, Janae Zavala

7th Grade: Isabel Cardenas, Lyla Garcia, Sophia Gomez, Caelyn Jimenez, Natalie Jimenez, Aubrey Rodriguez, Jose Salazar, Kaylee Sarinana, Alodra Trenado

8th Grade: Rylee Austin, Rihanna Castillo, Nickolas Cervantes

Coltin Gaither, Ciara Hernandez, Martin Jimenez, Mireyah Lara, Madison Marmolejo, Adrielle Martinez, Jada Navarrete, Julius Rosales, A'Mryee Salazar, Kara Sanchez, Nayiahlee Vasquez, Aliyah Zavala.



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	400-500	150-165	152-173.5	170-202	140-170
	500-600	140-157	154-172.5	145-170	130-170
	600-700	140-145	130-157.5	130-160	130-154
	700-800	130-140	133.25-160	128-155	115-140
Heifers	800-900+			115-154	90-130
	200-300				130-169
	300-400	135-150	157	145-175	120-148
	400-500	130-135	142.5-143	135-164	115-145
	500-600	120-137	129-145	125-150	115-145
	600-700	120-130	130-146	120-145	105-133
Bred Cows	700-800	115-130	150.5	115-143	100-125
	800-900+			95-135	
Pairs	Older				750-1000
	Young	1000-1280			
Packer Cows	Older	800-950			
		55-63		40-70	
Packer Bulls	Fat				55-62
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	Thin	45-55			30-50
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Lubbock area game wardens organizing for mule deer saturation patrol

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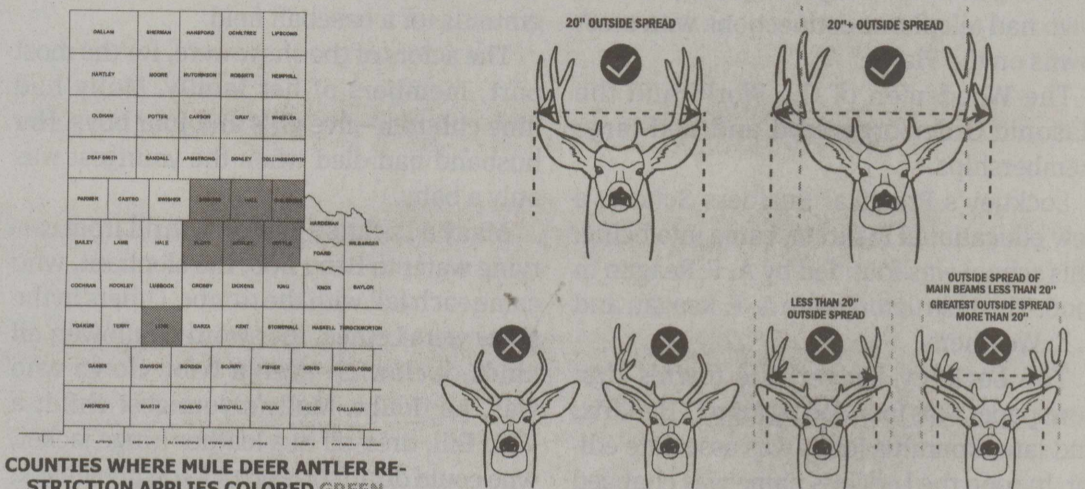
Between Nov. 20 and 28, Lubbock area game wardens will dedicate extra patrol hours and state resources to the mule deer hunting season.

The West Texas mule deer season attracts hunters from across the country into the southern plains for the thrilling opportunity to hunt and harvest a buck. The nine-day general season is open to hunters with a valid Texas hunting license and landowner permission to hunt on the property. Legal harvesting methods include the use of permitted firearms or archery equipment. The bag limit is one buck per legal hunter and does not allow the take of a mule deer doe unless a special MLD permit is obtained.

With the influx of hunting enthusiasts additional state resources are critical. The support of extra game wardens from other parts of the state acting as force multipliers is a necessary response to the anticipated influx of activity near the New Mexico state line. Even with the additional assistance, illegal hunting may occur outside the presence of the wardens. The public should be extra vigilant in the coming weeks by reporting illegal hunting to local law enforcement.

With the discovery of a positive CWD case in a local mule deer, hunters who harvest mule deer and white-tailed deer in the Lubbock area CWD Containment Zone are required by law to bring their animals to a TPWD check station within 48 hours of harvest.

Among the general violations, wardens will enforce a minimum antler restriction in Briscoe, Childress, Cottle, Floyd, Hall, Motley, and Lynn counties. A legal buck deer is defined as having an outside antler spread 20 inches or greater. Any buck for which the outside spread of the main beams is less than 20 inches is not legal to harvest.



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Mule Deer Check Station Information

Lubbock game wardens will deploy the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) airplane to spot potential suspects from the air. Sims noted that having eyes in the sky is important for the wide-open rural geographic area. The pilot and spotter fly over the vast area and communicate specific coordinates of suspected poachers to the wardens patrolling on the ground.

This hunting season, potential violations range from improperly tagged deer, to more serious violations such as hunting deer at night and hunting on property without landowner consent. Hunting deer without consent carries a punishment of a state jail felony and potential loss of hunting and fishing privileges in Texas and other US states. Area-wide landowners and citizens are encouraged to report all game violations that occur. The public can access their local game warden's contact information online, or they can anonymously report to Operation Game Thief hotline by calling 1-800-792-4263 (GAME).

good overall, as the majority of bales classed to date continue to exhibit high quality attributes.

Perhaps the only disappointing results that can be dissected from the Lubbock and Lamesa Cotton Classing office reports to date at this point are that just under 23 percent of the bales classed at the Lubbock office and almost 11 percent of the bales classed in Lamesa are returning micronaire readings below 3.5, which is the bottom of

the base range for micronaire. Breaking the Lubbock office's micronaire results down further shows that 2.9 percent of the bales have received micronaire measurements below 3.0; 9.1 percent of the bales had micronaire between 3.0 and 3.2; and 10.8 percent of the bales measured between 3.3 and 3.4 micronaire.

Micronaire readings from Lamesa show that only one percent of the bales classed have been below a 3.0 micronaire,

and the majority of the lower micronaire bales have been between 3.0 and 3.4 micronaire.

A full rundown of the latest classing results from the Lubbock and Lamesa Cotton Classing offices are included in the table below. The complete weekly Classing Office reports for Lubbock, Lamesa and Abilene are available on the PCG website at: <https://plain-scotton.org/quality-reports/>

Harvest progress nearing 75% as High Plains receives first freeze

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The High Plains has finally recorded its first, widespread freeze, which will set the stage for producers to make their final push toward completing the 2021 harvest.

According to reports gathered from around the area it appears the region is rapidly closing in on the finish line and could be as much as 75-80 percent finished by Thanksgiving. Favorable weather has been a primary reason for the rapid progress that growers achieved over the past few weeks.

Even though this most recent cold front dropped nighttime temperatures below freezing this week it did not bring a significant chance for rainfall that would slow harvest activities. Near-term forecasts indicate dry conditions through

the Thanksgiving holiday which should allow producers to maintain a good pace.

With the rapid progress that is being made by producers in the field, area cotton gins are also running at a furious pace. The pace of the harvest and ginning is beginning to create some bottle-necks in regard to getting cotton classed as producers and area gins are reporting they are not getting grades back as quickly as they have in past years.

To address these concerns PCG and officials with USDA AMS's Cotton Division have discussed the situation and alternatives are being weighed and implemented in an effort to relieve current backlogs and reduce the time between when

a bale is ginned and when the producer receives the classing results.

Among the alternatives that are being considered is whether or not some of the workload at higher volume locations can be redirected to other cotton classing offices with less activity to return grades more readily.

"Producers need to receive grades in a timely manner, especially to be able to capture current strong market prices" stated PCG CEO Kody Bessent. "PCG will continue to work with local classing offices to address this concerning issue."

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New Lockney became the cultural oasis in this raw western country. It grew, and grew fast. The members of the Church of Christ far and near flocked to the town of Lockney. Houses were in great demand, and since Floydada had some empty houses, Lockney people took great pleasure in buying these houses in Floydada and moving them to Lockney.

Lockney became an important trade center. People from Della Plain and Mayshaw moved to Lockney and increased the population.

Three daily mail lines went out—Lockney to Estelline; Lockney to Lubbock, and the Floydada, Lockney, and Plainview mail line.

A splendid passenger and express stage line was maintained. The old stage stop was located where the Jackson Tire Company is today. People looking for land in West Texas stopped first at Lockney.

A telephone exchange was put in, and the town had telephone connections with most towns on the Plains.

The Woodsmen of the World and the Masonic Order organized and had large memberships.

Lockney's Practical Business School, a new educational institute, came into being. This school was founded by A. F. Reagan in 1906. The instructors were A. F. Reagan and L. E. Weathers.

The Lockney Ledger, the town's first newspaper, was founded by John C. Hendrix, and later Romulus Jones was associate editor. In 1900 the Ledger's name was changed to The Llano Estacado and run by Mr. P. W. Henderson. In 1902 the name was changed to the Lockney Beacon, with F. N. Oliver as editor. The Lockney Beacon served the city for many years with several different managers, including Homer Steen. In 1972 it was sold to the Floyd County Hesperian.

Lockney was also the center for amusement. The Chautauqua made regular one-week stands each summer. In the fall the Molly Baley Show came to Lockney.

Come cotton pickin' time in Texas, and Molly Baley was on the road! Bringing the thrill, romance, and glamour of the "Big Top" to Lockney and to many more small towns in Texas—that was The Molly Baley Show.

Mrs. Baley had acted as a spy and as a nurse in the Civil War. She was a colorful figure indeed, always wearing a long, sweeping

black taffeta skirt, a black velvet cape with fringe, and long strings of beads. On her fingers were huge diamond rings. Her hair was long and always done in corkscrew curls.

"Circus Queen of the Southwest" is the way the billboards read. Molly traveled in a buggy pulled by a gray mare. The song "The Old Gray Mare" was written for this animal. One time, when the show was in Lockney, the mare got sick. Molly stayed by her side day and night and pulled her through.

Always when the troupe came to town, the first tent to go up was the cook tent. Farmers' wives could make a few dollars by selling vegetables, eggs, milk and butter to Molly's cook.

It has been said Molly bought some lots in the city of Lockney so she would have a place to put her tent when she came each fall. When she was not using it, she encouraged to community to use the grounds for camp meetings. The boys could also use the grounds for a baseball field.

The actors of the show were, for the most part, members of her family. Molly had nine children—five girls and four boys. Her husband had died when the youngest was only a baby.

Many a Lockney boy got a thrill from carrying water to Baby Boo, the elephant, who came each fall with the troupe. Others in the show were Lethea, the sword swallower; all kinds of clowns—even a baby clown who was, no doubt, Molly's youngest child; a Wild Bill, dressed in a leather fringe jacket, who could do all sorts of tricks on horseback; and the members of the band, complete with red and black uniforms. There were the Siamese twins, Daisy and Violet, joined at the hips, dressed in fancy clothes and playing saxophones. Ruth Mickey said, "I saw those girls once when they were not on stage, and they were not joined at the hips at all; when they were not on stage, however, this did not keep me from being very impressed with their show."

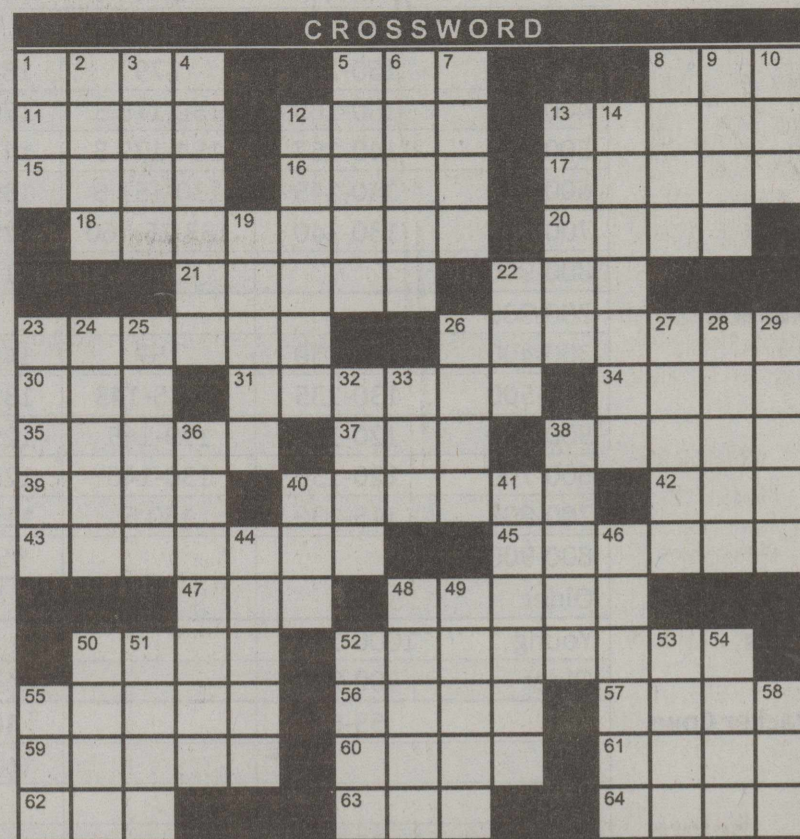
It was all very thrilling, and it helped to break the monotony of life on the farms and in the small towns in the early 1900s.

All the physical properties of the Molly Baley Shows have disappeared, but there remain the memories of grateful pioneers who cherished the memory of clean, wholesome fun, and who called Molly Baley "My Friend."

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ACROSS

1. "If all ___ fails..."
5. *Male Thanksgiving bird
8. Yoko's last name
11. Indian restaurant bread
12. Carhop's carrier
13. *"Kiss the Cook" garment
15. Homer's "The Odyssey", e.g.
16. *Grandpa or Grandma, often
17. Moolah or dough
18. *Pilgrim's colony
20. Allah's cleric
21. Arranges into categories
22. Chance's genre
23. *"Plains, Trains and Automobiles" star
26. Woven containers
30. Kimono sash
31. Aristotle's school
34. Part of ideal
35. Hurricane feature, pl.
37. Comedian Schumer
38. Teen worry
39. Side of a ruler
40. Left over
42. *When will the guests be here?, acr.
43. Rejuvenate
45. Expression of agreement (2 words)
47. *What Turkey Trot participants did
48. Outdoor entertainment area
50. Messy substances
52. *It makes Thanksgiving wishes come true?
55. Half of diameter, pl.
56. Flu symptom
57. Accompanies relief
59. Leaves out
60. More than a talker?
61. Isaac's firstborn
62. Skin cyst
63. "___ my party, and I'll cry if I want too..."
64. Confederate or Union, e.g.



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1. Compass dir.
2. Arctic native
3. Go yachting
4. Become enclosed in a cyst
5. Freshwater fish
6. Hop-drying kilns
7. *Pumpkin pie at the first Thanksgiving, e.g.
8. Sea World's performer
9. "Cheers" regular
10. Top seed
12. Like a rosebush
13. Spy name
14. *Kind of squash
19. Toils
22. Truck brand motto: "Guts. Glory. ___"
23. Lawn trimmer
24. Toe the line
25. Designs on lemur's tail
26. Purchases
27. #39 Across, pl.
28. T in Ferrari TR
29. Thai restaurant chicken staple
32. Elder's support
33. Flightless bird
36. *Thanksgiving football game host city since 1934
38. Impromptu
40. Big coffee holder
41. Choice word
44. Desert mirage
46. Makes less tight
48. Lace loop
49. "Angela's ___," memoir
50. *Raiders vs. Cowboys, e.g.
51. Scandinavian war god
52. Dry riverbed
53. Not final or absolute
54. Exclamation of surprise, archaic
55. Propel your boat!
58. Color wheel feature

Floyd law officers apprehend two suspects in attempted burglary

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Police Chief Darrell Gooch received a call from a concerned citizen around 2:30 p.m. on Nov. 16, said Floydada police sergeant Marco Martinez.

The caller reported seeing two individuals dressed in dark clothes and wearing neck gaiter style masks dropped off between the 100 blocks of W. Marivena and W. Jeffie near the Floydada junior high school gym.

"The caller stated that they had seen them go in the alley, but did not see them come out," said Sgt.

Marco Martinez, who responded. Both Gooch and Martinez were at the scene when the chief spotted the two suspects. Martinez said he went into the alleyway where they were attempting to leave.

"They were quickly apprehended. One suspect was trying to get rid of some evidence. One bag that was thrown over the fence was recovered by Officer Brady Schmoke along with a firearm that had been tossed," Martinez said.

Gooch and Martinez received assistance from Floyd County Sheriff Paul Raisse, Deputy Steven Craz and Lockney Police Chief

Casey Fitzwater. The weapon and three bags of marijuana were recovered. Both individuals were arrested at the scene. Both were charged with burglary of a habitation and possession of marijuana in a drug-free zone. One suspect was also charged with tampering with physical evidence with the intent to impair. The drug possession in a drug-free zone and tampering with evidence charges are both third degree felonies.

The suspects were taken to Hale County for holding. The investigation is ongoing.

Xcel Energy readies systems for winter weather ahead

STAFF REPORTS

Xcel Energy is prepared for cold weather and is reminding customers they can also take steps to maintain a high level of comfort while saving on monthly bills.

"Winter weather on the plains of Texas and New Mexico can present a host of challenges from extreme cold to high winds to ice and snow, and sometimes all of this at once," said David Hudson,

president, Xcel Energy - New Mexico, Texas. "We've spent a decade investing in system improvements that will stand up against extreme weather, and these investments proved their worth during last winter's strongest storms. We're ready for whatever winter brings and we want to provide everything customers need to stay comfortable and manage their energy costs."

Xcel Energy has invested more than \$3 billion in transmission line improvements since 2011 that have strengthened the grid and provided more options for moving power from neighboring states served by the Southwest Power Pool. Additionally, area power plants and wind farms were designed for cold weather and are continually being improved to withstand extreme temperatures. Winterization preparation reviews are conducted annually each fall at Xcel Energy's Texas-New Mexico power plants, and new wind farms such as Sagamore in New Mexico and Hale in Texas were built with "cold weather packages" that allow the turbines to run in sub-zero temperatures.

Xcel Energy owns and operates almost 8,000 miles of high-voltage transmission lines and more than

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16,000 miles of lower voltage distribution lines across the area. The company has invested millions in recent years in pole replacement and conductor wire upgrades that have hardened the grid against high winds and ice. And ongoing efforts to upgrade voltages in older neighborhoods to a company standard provide more options for Xcel Energy to reroute power for faster restoration in the event of weather-related outages.

Customers can ensure their homes and business are prepared for extreme temperatures by having their heating equipment checked ahead of winter and taking steps to make interior spaces more airtight by adding weather stripping around doors and windows. Customers can take advantage of Xcel Energy's Home Energy Services program to have approved contractors inspect their property for drafts and make the necessary adjustments free of charge. Information on this program can be found online at xcelenergyefficiency.com.

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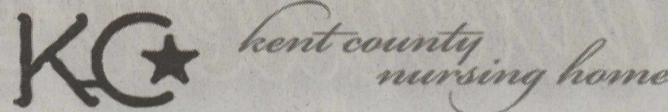
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<p>Aiken Baptist Church Dennis Butler, Pastor Morning Worship...11 a.m. Bible Baptist Church 810 S. 3rd, Floydada • 983-2578 Darwin Robinson, Pastor Sunday School...10 a.m. Morning Worship—10:50 a.m. Evening Worship—6 p.m. Wednesday—7 p.m. Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship Floydada Armando Morales, Pastor Sunday School—9:45 a.m. Morning Worship—11 a.m. Bible Study—6 p.m. Wednesday Evening—7 p.m. 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</p>	<p>Children's Ministry Sunday School—9:15 a.m. Morning Worship—10:30 a.m. Evening Worship—6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study—6:30 p.m. First Baptist Church Lockney Joseph Tillery, Pastor Ron Kuykendall—Worship Leader Chad Cook, Youth Min. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m. First United Methodist Church Floydada Gary 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. Auggie Aguilera, 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. Main Street Church of Christ Lockney James Blair, Minister Bible Study—9:30 a.m. Morning Worship—10:30 a.m. Evening Worship—6:00 p.m. Wednesday—7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Mt. Zion Baptist Church Floydada 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 Floydada Rev. Toby Gonzales Sunday School—9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:40 a.m. Evening Worship—6 p.m. Wed. Evening—7 p.m. Primera Iglesia Bautista Lockney Jesus Caballero, Pastor Sunday School—9:45 a.m.</p>	<p>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 Beatty, 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 Emanuel 607 W. Lee Street, Floydada Pastor Rachel Castillo Sunday School Classes: Adult Spanish class, Adult English class; All children's classes are in English. Praise/worship and sermon are bilingual. Wednesday Bible Study—7 p.m.</p>	<p>Templo Bautista Salem Lockney Rev. Moses Blanco 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.</p>
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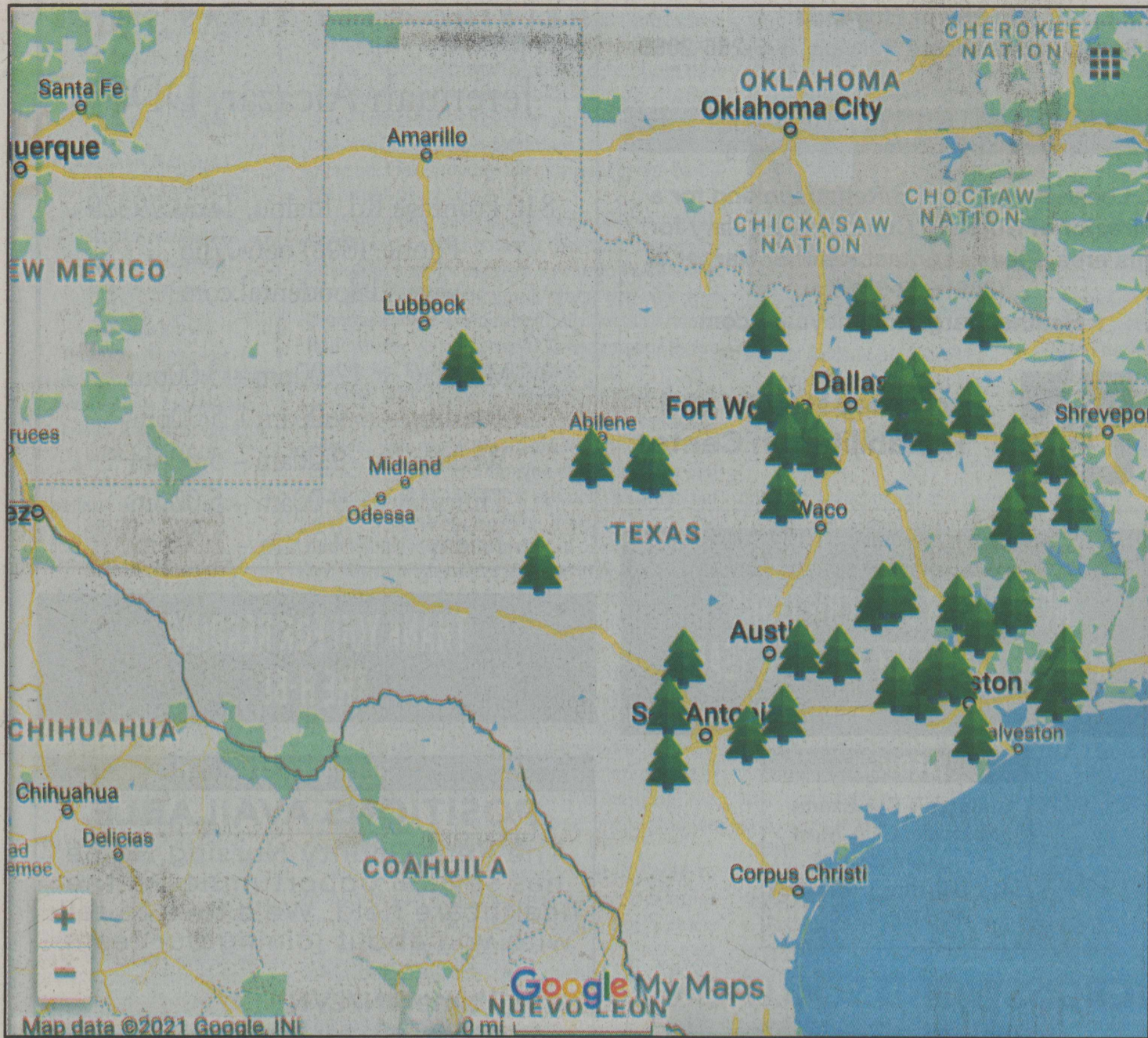
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Go Texan and the Texas Christmas Tree Growers Association (TCTGA) encourage families to celebrate the holiday season with a Texas-grown Christmas tree this year.

The Texas Christmas Tree Growers Association (TCTGA), an

organization of over 120 Texas farmers that grow, sell and promote Texas-grown Christmas trees, makes a directory available at textaschristmastrees.com/findafarm

Some Christmas tree farms also offer special events, such as field trips, pumpkin patches in October, group picnic facilities and more.



SANTA LETTERS
 due to newspaper
 from schools
 Tuesday, Dec. 7

Dear Santa
 For Santa
 I want Christmas

Letters to Santa

The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon looks forward to publishing Letters to Santa from area schoolchildren, grades K-4 in our DECEMBER 16 edition—to provide kids, their families, AND Santa a fun and useful guide in time for gift-giving! Advertising opportunities also available. fchb.editor@yahoo.com

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 To our readers—We are grateful for you!

Comedian William Lee Martin's 'Return of the Nutcracker' comes to the Fair Theater in Plainview Dec. 17



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Comedian William Lee Martin will bring his annual Christmas standup comedy spectacular and variety show "The Return of the Nutcracker—Putting the Fun in Dysfunctional Family Christmas" to Plainview's Fair Theater, 717 Broadway, on Friday, Dec. 17.

The event will include fan favorites like "I'm Dreaming of a White Trash Christmas," brand-new standup material as well as guest comedian John Wessling.

Showtime is 8:00 p.m. and doors will open at 7:00 p.m. VIP Tickets are \$49.50 and include seats on the first three rows, a meet-n-greet reception at 6:00 p.m., VIP lanyard and signed commemorative poster. All other seats are \$29.50. Tickets are available online at www.williamleemartin.com/tour.

Displaying material based on the family man's real life, Martin currently can be seen on his 1-hour TV specials "Standing in the Middle" and "The Nutcracker - A Christmas Standup Spectacular" on Amazon Prime, Apple TV and other outlets as well as his Facebook live "4 pm Daily Talk Y'all". His 2021-22 All American Mutt Comedy Tour events can be found at williamleemartin.com.

Martin's proudest achievement is the success of his nonprofit organization: The Cowboys Who Care Foundation, designed to provide support, smiles and free cowboy hats to kids living with cancer and other life-threatening illnesses.

For information, call Tori Huddleston at (806) 293.4000, email fair@plainviewtx.org or visit www.plainviewtx.org or Facebook - Fair Theater.

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Garfield said. By law, SBA makes Economic Injury Disaster Loans available when the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture designates an agricultural disaster. The Secretary declared this disaster on Nov. 2, 2021.

Businesses primarily engaged in farming or ranching are not eligible for SBA disaster assistance. Agricultural enterprises should contact the Farm Services Agency about the U.S. Department of Agriculture assistance made available by the Secretary's declaration.

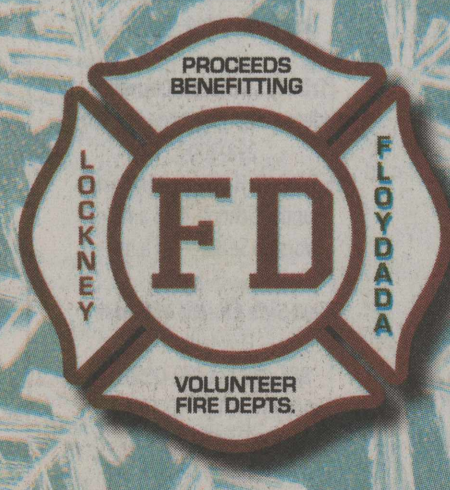
Applicants may apply online, receive additional disaster assistance information and download applications at <https://disasterloansassistance.sba.gov/>. Applicants may also call SBA's Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov for more information on SBA disaster assistance. Individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing may call (800) 877-8339. Completed applications should be mailed to U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

The deadline to apply for economic injury is July 5, 2022.

Dinner at 6pm



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