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## Santa Claus for a cause Lockney Salvation Army gives to community



**SPIRIT OF GIVING** The Lockney Salvation Army distributed baskets to senior citizens on Friday, Dec. 17 and to families on Saturday, Dec. 18 along with Santa giving toys to children... | COURTESY PHOTO

**STAFF REPORTS**

The Lockney Salvation Army had the pleasure of giving out baskets to senior citizens on Friday, Dec. 17 and to families on Saturday, Dec. 18 along with Santa giving toys to children.

"We would like to thank the Lockney community for their donations so that we can make a difference in someone's life," said Teresa Gonzales of Lockney. "Also, many thanks to the Lockney Volunteer Fire Department for bring Santa to meet all the kids so he could hand out the toys."

Salvation Army volunteers who distributed donations to the homebound were Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Graves, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Gonzales and Mr. and Mrs. Garcia.



## Lockney kids get early visit from elves at Outcome closet in Lockney

LIZ ADAMS | HESPERIAN-BEACON

Families came out to Apogee Drive in Lockney on Dec. 10 for a free event that served as the grand opening of a new clothing closet called The Outcome.

The Elves Workshop served around 200 children and countless families, parents and community members, according to organizer Kayla Sherman. She said she and other volunteers had prepared over 100 goodie bags ahead of time and those were all given to visitors during the event.

"We had a toy for every child through a toy drive and cash donations. Every adult also received a gift," Sherman said.

The Lockney Fire Department helped with traffic and provided two fire trucks off Highway 70 to show people where to go. The chief of police was there to help, as well. More than a dozen youth volunteers from Lockney Junior High and High School participated.

"The student council was a huge help serving as elves," Sherman said.

The children's clothing closet was opened at Kayla's home.

"This event was a way to welcome people and let people know about the clothing closet," Sherman explained.

The Outcome is a place that meant to help all families in the community and also a place to donate gently used children's clothes. Community businesses contributed with sponsorships to the success of the opening event. A \$200 gift card was provided by D&J Gin. Gifts were donated by Wright's Auto, Taste Burger, Helena, Lockney Automotive, Old Maroon Saloon and several more firms.

Sherman was pleased with The Outcome. "It is intended to serve all Lockney families in order to bring about positive outcomes from the community," she said. "We're looking forward to new things to come in 2022. ... All we can say is Thank you, Lockney."



**'THANK YOU, LOCKNEY'** Kayla Sherman and friends organized The Outcome clothes closet for those in need. | COURTESY PHOTO

### CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICES

Many churches in Floydada and Lockney will be having their annual Christmas season special observances beginning this weekend.

**First United Church of Floydada – Friday, Dec. 24, 6 p.m.**

**Carr's Chapel – Friday, Dec. 24, 6 p.m.**

**First Baptist Church of Lockney – Friday, Dec. 24, 6 p.m.**

**First United Methodist of Lockney – Friday, Dec. 24, 5 p.m.**

## All welcome to celebrate Christmas Eve at historic Carr's Chapel



STAFF REPORTS | HESPERIAN-BEACON

The historic Carr's Chapel, located in the southwest corner of Floyd County on FM 378, will celebrate its 117th Christmas Eve service Friday, Dec. 24 at 6 p.m. The church community invites

all to join in its Christmas Eve service.

The service has been a tradition at Carr's Chapel since the church was founded by William Hardy Carr in 1904.

The actual building was built in 1914. The church is also recognized as a Texas Historical site.

With congregational singing of Christmas hymns, children's performances, Christmas readings, Santa Claus and other highlights, the country church walls flourish each December 24 with excitement and the Christmas spirit.

The church will be decorated with a new Christmas theme. There will be refreshments to be enjoyed by all and goodie bags from Santa Claus—after which, members have reminded the newspaper, Santa will leave to go on his traditional Christmas Eve rounds around the world.

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**PRESENTS FOR PUPS?** Stacy and Mike Reeves of Floydada are the owners of furbabies Paris (black poodle, age 7), Max (brown/tan Briard mix, age 8) and P.J. (Yorki-Poo, age 6), and Stacy always dresses up the pups for social media photos on holidays and other fun occasions. | COURTESY PHOTOS

### UPCOMING

**THE LOCKNEY CEMETERY ASSOCIATION** will hold a meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 17 at 1:30 p.m. at the Happy State Bank in Lockney, 201 N. Main Street. If you've donated to the Lockney Cemetery Association or have a plot, you are a member. The purpose of this meeting is to elect officers and transact any other business.

**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!

**THE LOCKNEY SALVATION ARMY** is in need of winter coats and clothing. They are also in need of non-perishable food. Their new store hours are Mondays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sign up for Christmas baskets is also available. The distribution of Christmas baskets for seniors will be on Saturday, Dec. 17 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Family baskets will be distributed on Dec. 18 between 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

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## COMMENTARY | Kay.Ellington@TheTexasSpur.com Spur of the moment

KAY ELLINGTON

### A humble appreciation to collaborators and contributors

If you look at the folio of this page (the tiny type at the top of the page that tells you the date and page number) it will read THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2021. It seems only fitting on the eve of Christmas Eve that we thank the people who help us create the newspaper's content, week in, week out.

It might surprise our readers to know how truly local the talent in their newspaper is. For example, Angela Lopez, our food columnist known as Angelina LaRue, lives and works in Idalou, and grew up near White River Lake. When I was still with the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal in 2012, I became aware of a writer who was pitching the idea of a local recipe column to the A-J. I read Angie's recipes and columns and loved them, and we started her first column then.

In the meantime, this talented cook created, pitched and sold the idea of a cookbook to Pelican Publishing, a leading book publisher in the South.

Since then, the list of newspapers where her columns run has grown to include The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, The Post Dispatch, The Idalou Beacon, The Crosby County News, The Texas Spur, The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon and The Caprock Courier.

Retired horticulture professor Dr. Ellen Pefley and I got to know each by being a part of a gardening hobby group in Lubbock. Through that process I learned that she was an editor, working with Neil Sperry, a popular Texas horticulturist who had published numerous books. When at the A-J, I asked her if she'd be interested in writing a gardening column, and when my partners and I acquired The Texas Spur in 2018, I asked her if she'd like to run her column in it. The Library Notes column has been a part of The Texas Spur for decades, and relatively new librarian Donnice Carruth continues to serve its legacy well with her behind the scenes sharing of events and offerings at the Spur library. She faithfully generates this column as a volunteer initiative to serve the library, and we appreciate it.

Across our three newspapers, we have decades of service from volunteer contributors serving their communities. In the Caprock Courier, Joy Stodgill of Silverton reports the going's and doing's of her quilting group and neighbors. Every week she composes her column on a manual typewriter and her readers, including us, admire her insights and dedication. Similar dedication can be found across the county line into Motley County, where Earlyne Jameson compiles Flomot News with editorial assistance by Carol Campbell. Motley County's librarian, Carla Meador, contributes Library Journal, and Carol Campbell writes the Campbell Soup column.

Emily Teegardin, an attorney from Quitaque, and her mother, Linda Russell Roy from the Hotel Matador, work together to bring readers the Cattle Market Report.

### CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

## State's workforce surpasses pre-pandemic high

#### TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN—The Texas labor market exceeded the previous pre-pandemic high in February 2020 by hitting just under 13 million nonagricultural jobs in November, the Texas Workforce Commission reported last Friday. The adjusted jobless rate was 5.2% last month, down slightly from the previous month.

"Reaching this milestone for job creation in Texas shows the strength of our economy," TWC Chairman Bryan Daniel said. The Amarillo area had the lowest unemployment rate among Texas Metropolitan Statistical Areas at 3.1%, followed by the Austin-Round Rock MSA at 3.2% and College Station-Bryan at 3.5%.

"Texas continues to reach unprecedented milestones thanks to our unwavering commitment to economic freedom and our young, skilled, growing, and diverse workforce," Gov. Greg Abbott said.

#### PUC APPROVES ELECTRIC GRID RELIABILITY MEASURES.

The state Public Utility Commission last week voted unanimously to enhance both short-term and long-term reliability of the state's electric grid through what it termed "major reforms" to the state's wholesale electricity market.

"In prior years, any single one of these changes would have been considered significant. Taken together, they are a generational shift in the Texas

electricity market," said Peter Lake, PUC chairman. "This (is) a move away from the crisis-based business model we have operated under for the past two decades. This new model centers on reliability."

Some of the major changes:

• Changes in the mathematical formula used to price electricity when reserves become scarce. The change will provide earlier price signals to add additional generation of power and for large consumers to reduce demand.

• Increasing incentives for large consumers to cut usage when the grid needs additional power.

• New or revamped ancillary services that increase the capacity for generators to react to sudden swings in electricity supply and demand.

Phase two of the process will provide "long-term incentives for investment in reliable power generation infrastructure to ensure Texas will have the power the state's needs for decades," according to the news release.

#### COUNT OF FATAL JOB INJURIES FOR 2020 RELEASED.

A total of 469 people working in Texas died in work-related incidents in 2020, according to the Texas Department of Insurance. That is a 23% decrease from 2019. The state's incident rate for fatalities was 3.9 per 100,000 full-time employees in 2020, while the national incident rate stood at 3.4.

The construction industry accounted for 27% of the fatalities, with 127 incidents, ac-

Kay Ellington is publisher of The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon and its sister papers, The Texas Spur and The Caprock Courier.

In the Hesperian-Beacon we are also grateful to Mary M. Carter, Dorothy Turner, Lu Ann Collins, Donna Webb and Aimee Jackson, who contribute club and organization news on occasion, and to photographers Teresa Bigham, Gracie Cervantes and Robin Sanders, who have lent their talents year-round.

Invaluable to the FCHB enterprise through most of 2021 were route drivers Dennis Carter and Ronnie Huffman, whose dedication to serving the community we greatly appreciated.

In the fast-moving world of sports, Fred Cervantes of Lockney is our newest contributor and photographer. He and photographer wife Gracie have a whole county of basketball to keep with up, including boys and girls teams for Lockney and Floydada. Fred chronicled high school football for us as well.

In Spur, Steve Bridges, Jayton pastor Jake Edwards and Philip Presson provided eyewitness coverage of the all the varsity football games for Jayton, Spur and Patton Springs.

Ever since 2018 we've gotten great photos from sporting and civic events from Jayton Amanda McGee and in recent years, Johnna Reynolds has assisted in chronicling Jayton events via photography as well.

From time to time, we get great photos our readers that send them to us via email or social media and we run them—appreciative of the historical record they help us provide the public.

Sue Jane Sullivan, who grew up in Snyder and taught at Borden County Schools for many years, provided weekly commentary for us for several months, and readers gave her articles high praise. She is taking a break from writing at the moment and promises to return in the spring.

Hanaba Munn Welch is a woman of many talents, and we appreciate sharing her clever observations weekly in "The 501," in The Caprock Courier and the Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon.

Throughout most of the year we were lucky to have the "Back Stage" column by Liz Adams, who spun music-related titles into observations about local news, life and culture. You'll continue to see her byline from time to time.

It's not always easy to fill the pages of a weekly newspaper, and there are plenty of places to get "canned" copy, but for our three publications associate publisher Barbara Brannon, FCHB managing editor Barbara Anderson, and I maintain a commitment to keeping our content as local as we can.

We are always looking for stringers in both reporting and photography, and if you have an interest in either, email us at spur@thetexas-spur.com

Thank you to all of our content contributors. You have made our newspapers better and you have made our communities better. Your efforts are a gift worthy of this holiday season.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from this corner of the page.



According to TDI. Fatalities in the transportation and warehousing industries had the second highest, accounting for 20.4% with 96 people killed. Natural resources and mining recorded the third-highest number with 54 fatalities, or 11.5%.

#### RAISING THE BAR FOR HIGHER EDUCATION.

The Commissioner of Higher Education said last week the state is raising the bar for higher education. In an address before nearly 200 higher education leaders, Harrison Keller released "an ambitious vision for higher education," according to a news release from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

The updated strategic plan for the state's higher education system includes:

• Adding a new goal for 35- to 64-year-olds who need new skills to compete in today's economy.

• A broader range of postsecondary credentials of value to fit workforce needs.

## 2021 Community Calendar

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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, Dec. 29, 12 noon., Hospital Annex, 320 N. Main, Lockney.

FLOYDADA CISD Monday, Jan. 10, 7 p.m. - FCISSD School Administration offices, 226 W. California St., Floydada.

FLOYD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT Monday, Jan. 11, 8 a.m., County Courthouse, 100 Main St., Floydada.

LOCKNEY CITY COUNCIL Tuesday, Jan. 17, 7 a.m., City Hall, 218 E. Locust St., Lockney.

FLOYDADA CITY COUNCIL Tuesday, Jan. 17, 6:30 p.m., City Hall, 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada.

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.

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Keller called the present time "the greatest opportunity since the end of World War II to make an impact in higher education."

"As we emerge from the global pandemic, we arrive at another defining moment in history," he said. "In Texas, the window of opportunity is open for us to work together to advance and enhance this vision for higher education and enrich the lives of generations to come."

#### VACCINE BATTLE MANDATE LIKELY HEADED TO SUPREME COURT.

The fight over a federal Covid-19 mandate for companies with more than 100 employees is likely headed to the U.S. Supreme Court after the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals overruled a lower-court decision that had paused the mandate nationwide. The mandate from the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration is now scheduled to take effect Jan. 4.

Republican state attorneys general in 27 states, including Texas, are suing OSHA over the mandate, joined by conservative groups, business associations and individual businesses, The Dallas Morning News reported.

The Biden administration issued a statement after the appeals court ruling: "Especially as the U.S. faces the highly transmissible Omicron variant, it's critical we move forward with vaccination requirements and protections for workers with the urgency needed in this moment."

Meanwhile, Abbott announced last week that he had sent a letter to U.S. Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin reaffirming the state would not enforce the mandate on members of the Texas National Guard.

"The state of Texas will not enforce this latest Covid-19 vaccine mandate against its guardsmen," Abbott said. "If the federal government keeps threatening to defund the Texas National Guard, I will deploy every legal tool available to me as governor in defense of these American heroes."

The number of new cases of Covid-19 reported last week stood at 36,508, according to the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University, down slightly from the previous week, while deaths rose to 478.

The number of law-confirmed Covid-19 hospitalizations totaled 3,117 on Sunday, virtually unchanged from the previous week, according to the Texas State Department of Health Services.

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**Food bytes**  
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## Tamales a Christmas tradition in the Southwest

Many folks can't think of a Christmas meal without tamales. This very popular treat is often made together by a large group of family members—each one being responsible for a particular step in the process.

When a group comes together to make tamales, the event is referred to as a tamalada. And from what I know, it's about so much more than assembling tamales. More than anything, it's about the family spending time together, laughing, remembering stories about the last time they made tamales, and paying tribute to those who have done this before them. It's also about passing the tradition from generation to generation.

Some folks make the masa from scratch with finely ground corn meal; others pick up a bag or two of prepared masa. The prepared masa is available unseasoned, so you can add your own flavorings, or you can purchase it pre-seasoned. Some folks use banana leaves to wrap the tamale in, but the corn husk is most frequently used in our area.

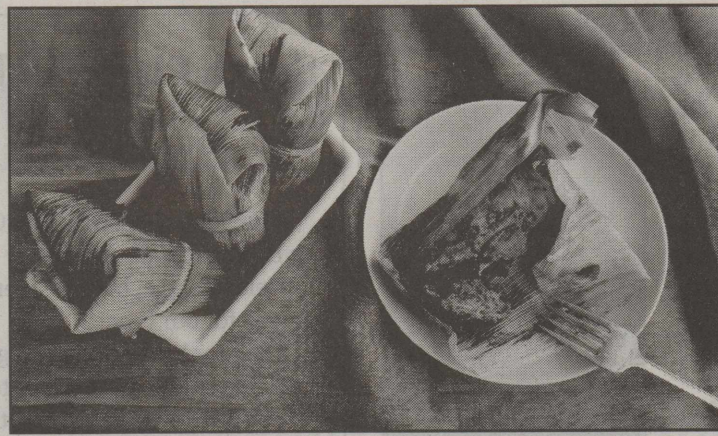
I've also learned that most tamaleras (lead tamale makers) prefer to use pork roast for the meat filling, but some add prepared hog head. Others like to offer chicken tamales, bean and cheese, even fruit-filled tamales. And it seems there are numerous techniques used to spread the masa, each person confident that their method or tool is the best—from spoons, to specially made trowels, to butter knives. Another difference I've learned is certain tamaleras prefer dried chili pods for seasoning; others use chili powder. Some use lard, while others prefer shortening.

Regardless of the ingredients and different ways tamales are made, the best advice I received from my tamale adventure was from a gentleman who told me the best tamales are made with lots of love, and lots of patience. He has also perfected a great method for making a large number of tamales when not being made by a large group: Get prepared a day at a time, cooking the meat one day, then the next day, prepare the masa. On day three, wash and trim all the husks. And finally, on the fourth day, roll and cook the tamales. With this method, one person can roll as many 10-12 dozen in one hour!

My gratitude goes to all those who offered sound advice. I will be much less overwhelmed the next time I make this delicious, wrapped treasure.

I don't usually prepare a large number of tamales at one time, so I am scaling back the quantity of ingredients. If you're not a novice or want to take on a larger project, double the ingredients listed. Enjoy freshly made tamales this Christmas!

May Christmas blessings and peace be with each of you. Merry Christmas and happy holidays! Enjoy food made fresh!



**TAMALE TIME** Tamale ingredients and techniques may vary from cook to cook, but according to one expert, the essential ingredients are lots of love and lots of patience. | ANGELINA LARUE PHOTO

### Tamales

- 5 pounds pork roast
- 1 pound bag mild red chili pepper pods
- Salt
- 1 large garlic pod
- 1½ tablespoons cumin powder
- 5 pounds prepared masa
- 1 bag corn husk
- 1 small can shortening

Separate, peel and crush garlic cloves. In large stock pot, add pork roast, 1½ quarts water, 1½ tablespoons salt, and half the garlic cloves. Cook pork roast over medium low heat and simmer 2-3 hours or until pork is tender. When done, wait for pork roast to cool enough to handle. Remove from stock pot, place on cutting board and begin to pull meat apart and shred, placing shredded meat in large bowl. (Reserve the pork broth for use throughout the other steps.) Refrigerate if waiting to complete tamales.

In a separate pot, bring red chili pepper pods to a boil then simmer over medium low heat for 15-20 minutes, or until chili pods are tender. When done, remove stems and place chili pods in blender. Add 1 tablespoon salt, remaining garlic cloves and 1½ tablespoons cumin powder; blend all ingredients on high speed until smooth, being cautious with the hot liquid. Pour contents of blender onto the meat and knead until well combined. (I strain the mixture if the skins are tough and do not blend in well). Refrigerate if you are planning to spread your steps out over several days. Note: A small amount of the chili sauce may be reserved to knead into the masa for color and added flavor.

In a large bowl add masa, shortening, about a pint of the reserved pork broth and 1½ tablespoons salt. Knead in a little chili mixture if desired, and add more broth as needed to make masa smooth, to the consistency of peanut butter. Cover and refrigerate if you are waiting to roll tamales at a later time.

To prepare husks, fill sink with hot water, separate corn husks, and submerge them in the hot water. Corn husks will float up so you will need to place a heavy object on top of them so they soak up enough water. Continue soaking until soft and pliable.

Remove corn husks from water and drain off as much water as possible then place in a bowl. Note: Corn husks should be no wider than 4 inches at the wide end of the corn husk. If husk is too wide, fold the side and cut all the way up to the 4 inch end of the corn husk. Feel for smooth side of husk; that will be the side to spread the masa onto.

With the back of a large tablespoon, spread a thin layer of masa onto the corn husk. Spread side to side, starting at the top (wide end) spreading down about 5 inches. Make a dozen at a time and then begin to fill with meat. One tablespoon of meat should be enough to fill each tamale. Roll meat filled tamale in a tri-fold fashion, side to side. Secure by taking the tail end of the corn husk and fold up over the seam of the husk. When finished, cook in electric slow cooker or roaster. Fill slow cooker or roaster with 1½ inches of remaining pork broth. Stand tamales open-end up and fill pot tightly so tamales cannot fall over. (You can also set a cup in center of pot to take up space or to lean tamales on.) Cook on high for 2-3 hours. Makes 5-6 dozen tamales.

*Tip:* I've also used my slow cooker to cook the pork roast instead of the stovetop. This method can be accomplished in 8 hours on low. Be sure to add the full 1½ quarts of water so you render enough broth.

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

## In lieu of Chinese Christmas

### Chinese Christmas, I miss you.

Yes, the term is politically incorrect. So is Chinese fire drill. (If you don't know about Chinese fire drills you're probably not reading this column.)

Do the Chinese call some crazy stuff American? Maybe. I rather hope so. Either way, we digress.

Maybe your family does a Chinese Christmas. We don't. On my own, I bought and wrapped all the gifts for one a few years ago. (I like to wrap.) My husband vetoed the whole idea.

The gifts languished so long I forgot what they were. Ultimately my friend Terri and I took turns opening them. Fun. We traded some and kept some. The rest went back to the Salvation Army.

In my working days, Chinese Christmases anchored the Christmas office party — substitute for alcohol, I suppose, alcohol having fallen out of favor once employers began to be held liable for drunken employee behavior, like deadly driving. That's my take on the change in the Christmas office party routine across our land. I think I'm right.

Some of those Chinese Christmas gifts exchanged by me and my work colleagues were white elephants that made yearly appearances. I remember a recurring mirror. Everyone but the recipient laughed when the mirror appeared. The recipient was expected to groan. Nobody had more fun than the mirror giver. Call it a different take on "more blessed to give than receive."

This year I'm searching for white elephants in the attic for family members — next-best thing to Chinese Christmas. Some may actually like their gifts, but I won't be surprised if 5-year-old Emily frowns when she opens her non-electronic 1950s red plastic fun learning device with wooden maneuverable letter and number tiles. What a pain to have to slide those tiles into place manually! Really. Even I don't like playing with it.

Son Ryan, on the other hand, should like his meat grinder blade. I already gave him the grinder, inasmuch as we slaughtered the last hog on this place circa 1955 and have no plans to slaughter and grind and stuff anything else, especially manually. It's a wonder I found the blade. At least I think it goes with that grinder. Ryan likes the grinder.

Maybe you too have an attic. Think of it as a source of gifts that can't be ordered online. Except they can.

Example: A classic moth-eaten Charlie McCarthy ventriloquist's dummy has been resting in our attic since 1939, much the worse for being there. Life is hard in the attic. Ebay is offering several like him, all in better shape.

Nope. Nobody's getting Charlie. He's too far gone. But it's hard to toss a Charlie McCarthy. I can hear him now, protesting from the bottom of the trash can. At least he would on "Twilight Zone."

We digress. It's an attic thing.

Closing thought:

Dallas-style steep-roofed houses are popular. Are people storing stuff in all that space? Attic gifts easily could be the next Christmas tradition.

You heard it first right here.  
Merry Christmas.

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

## Floydada Senior Citizens News

LU ANN COLLINS | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

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.

(No menu available this week)

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## Lockney Senior Center News

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

The Center will be closed Wednesday, Dec. 22 through Monday, Jan. 3 for the Christmas and New Year's holidays. 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.

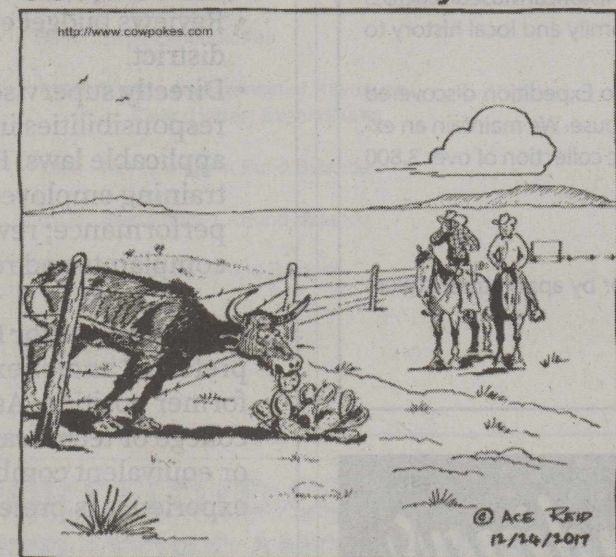
The Center would like to invite game players to come join us every Thursday night from 6 to 8 p.m. You can join in on dominoes (all kinds are played) or a variety of card games, or even work on a puzzle and enjoy conversations and companionship! Drinks are provided at no charge, and there's always a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

(No menu available this week)

## COWPOKES® By Ace Reid



"I guess everything looks greener on the other side of the fence."

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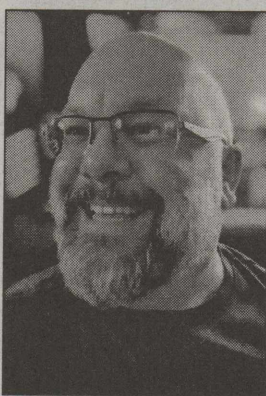
OBITUARIES

**Robert Thomas Eckert, 1976–2021**

Robert Thomas Eckert, age 45, passed away on Friday, December 17, 2021. Cremation arrangements are under the personal care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Robert was born June 17, 1976 in Lubbock to Julius and Elizabeth (Thomas) Eckert. After graduating from Floydada High School, he went on with his education and received a bachelor's degree. Robert also met and married the love of his life, Amy Brigit Gilly. Robert loved playing "World of Tanks," spending time with his wife Amy and playing with his dogs.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Elizabeth Eckert. Robert is survived by his wife, Amy, and by his dad, Dinks Eckert. Online condolences may be made at [www.moore-rose.com](http://www.moore-rose.com).



**Darlene Reed, 1951–2021**

Darlene Reed, age 70, of Lockney, Texas, passed away on December 6, 2021 in Lubbock.

Graveside services were held at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, December 9, 2021, at the Lockney Cemetery.

Visitation was held prior to the service from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

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

Darlene was born January 11, 1951 to Connie and Flois (Cunningham) Reed in Lockney. Darlene collected many different items that included dolls, tiny houses, beads, rocks and sequins. She loved

animals and was an avid stamp collector. Darlene was a member of the Merry Mini Makers in Amarillo, the Panhandle 55+ Club and the Golden Spread Doll Club in Amarillo.

She was baptized in 1963 in the First Baptist Church in Lockney but was a member of the First Baptist Church in Panhandle, Texas, at the time of her death.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Connie and Flois Reed.

She is survived by two sisters, Connie Bertrand and husband Randy of Floydada, and Kaylene Medina and husband Enrique of Dickinson, Texas; one brother, Kelly Reed and wife Amy of Panhandle, Texas; and two aunts, Carolyn Cunningham and Nelda Morris, both of Lockney. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Online condolences may be made at [www.moore-rose.com](http://www.moore-rose.com).



**Juana Reyes, 1950–2021**

Juana Reyes, age 71, passed away on Thursday, December 16, 2021. Graveside services are scheduled for 1 p.m., Wednesday, December 22, 2021 at the Lockney Cemetery in Lockney, Texas.

Rosary was recited at 6 p.m., Tuesday, December 21, 2021 at Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Arrangements are under the personal care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada,

Juana was born August 22, 1950 in Taft, Texas, to Ramon and Tomasa (Hernandez) Naranjo.

She was preceded in death by her father, Ramon Naranjo; her mother, Thomasa Hernandez Naranjo; a brother, Ricardo Hernandez;

and three sisters, Celia Castro, Matilde Quillimaco and Ramona DeLeon.

Those left to cherish Juana's memory are her husband, Hilario Reyes; three daughters, Dorothy Perez, Angelica Reyes and Daisy Reyes; two sons, David Castillo and Pablo Reyes; three granddaughters, Rosary Perez, Hannah Perez and Bailey Samora; four grandsons, Eriberto Tinoco, Ryan Tinoco, Jessie Castillo and Jimmy Castillo; and her only living sister, Sylvia DeOchoa.

Online condolences may be made at [www.moore-rose.com](http://www.moore-rose.com).



**South Plains Hobby Club holds Christmas luncheon**

MARY M. CARTER | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

The South Plains Hobby Club met the South Plains Baptist Church in South Plains, Texas, on Dec. 8, 2021 at 12 noon for our Christmas luncheon.

Helen Teeple, our president, read a prayer written by Robert Louis Stevenson and afterward prayed for our lunch.

Time for lunch. It was so good with everyone bringing a dish. I enjoyed every bite.

Helen called the meeting to order. First thing on the agenda was our charity to be nominated. By vote we chose "The Closet" in Lockney. It is a new one. It helps kids with clothing needs and more.

Thank-you notes were received from Margie Young and Maj. Gen. Robert (Bob) Dempsey. We appreciated them very much.

Ethelyn Vernon picks out the best readings. This month it was a book called "Texas Night Before Christmas" by James Rice. It was read with a Texas drawl. It was funny, and the illustrations were very good and helped explain what the book wanted even more. My take on it anyway. I ordered one myself the next day to take and have my husband read to our grandkids and great-grandchildren too. That's how much I liked it. Thanks, Ethelyn!

Next, we did our Inspirational Christmas Book exchange. When the number you picked is called, you go to the table and pick out a book that sparks your interest. There are enough books that if someone gets the book you like, you are sure to find another one to enjoy. We all like the book exchange because it is fun and interesting.

I was thinking we should sing some Christmas carols and Ethelyn said, I have a game in the car. We had fun with her game and glad she had it handy.

Merry Christmas to y'all, and have a happy and safe New Year. God bless each of you!

Those attending were Ethelyn Vernon, Carolyn Marble, Virginia Taylor, Peggy Roberts, Janis Julian, Helen Teeple, Neta Marble, Glenda Ford, Sue Daniels, Kathy Mulder, and Mary M. Carter.

Note: I got to be there. What a blessing to see my friends! Mary M.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF LOIS COLVIN, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of LOIS COLVIN, Deceased, were issued on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021, in Cause No. 6182 pending in the County Court of Floy County, Texas, to:

JERRY MORGAN

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law to such Independent Executor in care of the attorney of said Independent Executor:

Rob Hamilton  
% LAW OFFICE OF ROB HAMILTON, P.L.L.C.  
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Plainview, Texas 79073-1510

DATED the 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021.

*Jerry Morgan*  
JERRY MORGAN, Independent  
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- Directly supervises all employees of the District. Carries out supervisory responsibilities in accordance with the organization's policies and applicable laws. Responsibilities include interviewing, hiring, and training employees; planning, assigning, and directing work; appraising performance; rewarding and disciplining employees; addressing complaints and resolving problems.

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**MUSE NEWS**

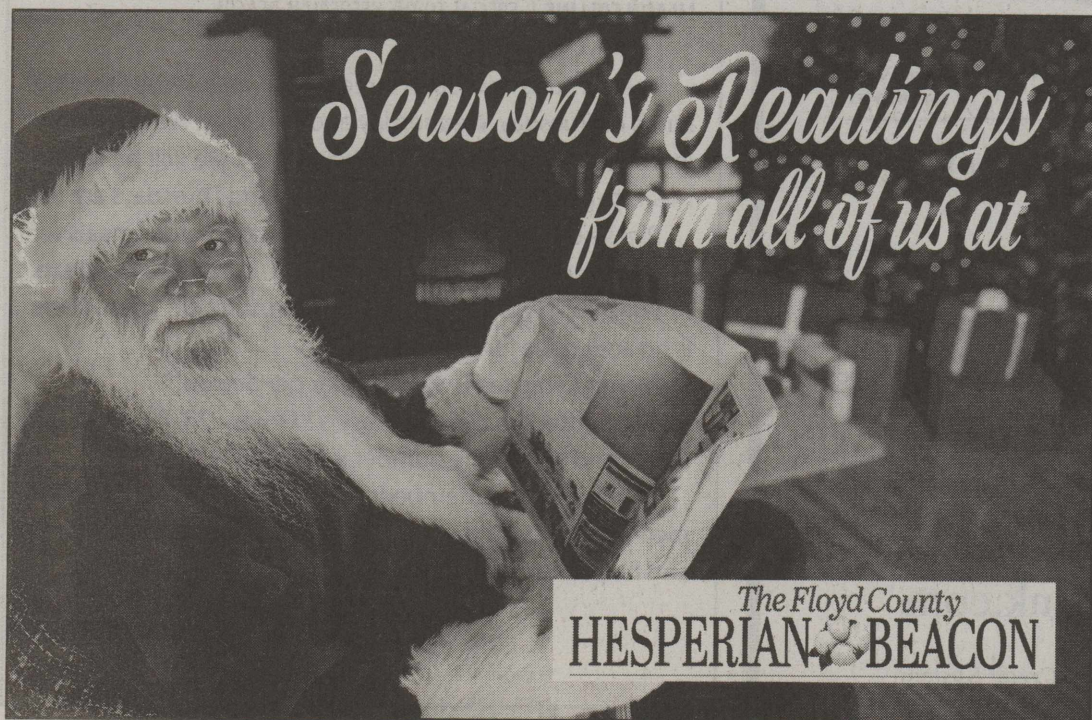
Floyd County's local archive benefits researchers from all over.

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](mailto:fchmuseum@sbcglobal.net).





**Floydada Whirlwinds** **Lockney Longhorns**

**ENJOY YOUR HOLIDAY BREAK!**

**Floydada FFA Spotlight ALLYSON ROMERO**

BARBARA ANDERSON | HESPERIAN-BEACON  
COURTESY PHOTO

Allyson Romero, a freshman at Floydada Collegiate High School, is the daughter of George and Casey Romero.

She has been a part of the Floydada FFA for three years and has taken part in Floydada High School Ag one year.



"FFA has a lot of meaning to me. It's been a lot of long hours prepping for our next contest or packing for our next group meeting," said Pacheco. "It's also hot days with sweaty jackets and blisters on your toes from miles of walking in heels. But it's so much more than that."

Romero added, "It's making friends from all around the country who share your interests. It's the life lessons taught in the classroom that no one else can provide. It's an unexplainable connection you have with someone wearing one of those

blue corduroy jackets. It takes more effort and dedication to achieve your goals than any other organization I've even been a part of."

Allyson said FFA has taught her that it is important to surround yourself with people that will lift you up, motivate you and make you feel like you don't have to hide behind a mask and can be yourself." She added, "This year I was able to see that the FFA organization is full of people like this, and it reminded me why I love FFA and how lucky I am to be part of it. It's also taught me the importance of building strong bonds with people who will always be there for you."

"The event I am looking forward to this year is the contests and being able to make it to the state level. Being part of something so important in FFA and making it far is a really big thing to do as you learn," said Romero.

**Floyd County Roundball Roundup**

FRED CERVANTES | HESPERIAN-BEACON CORRESPONDENT  
PHOTOS BY CERVANTES PHOTOGRAPHY

**Floyd County basketball wraps up fall games**

With district schedules approaching shortly after the new year, Floyd County Basketball wraps the fall 2021 season.

The Lady Horns and Longhorns traveled to Post on Dec. 17. In a slow start for the Lady Horns, the momentum did not shift their way until the 4th quarter. Adriana Villarreal led the team with 15 points, seconded by Senayda Bernal with 11. The girls basketball team will enjoy a Christmas break and be back in the gym on Dec. 30, when they host the Lady Buffs from Petersburg. On New Year's eve, they travel to Anton to finish out the year.

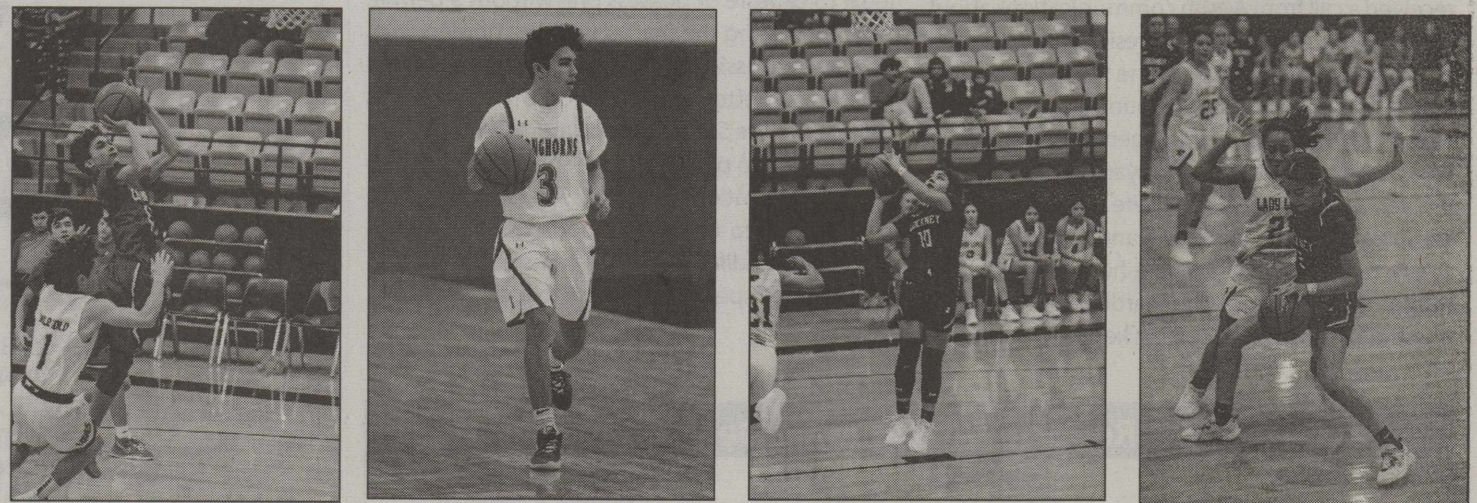
The Longhorns lost 74-29 to a strong Farwell team on Tuesday, Dec. 14. Injuries sustained to the Longhorns during their tournament were still noticeable and felt when they traveled to Antelope country on Dec. 17. Post wanted to even things out after falling to the Longhorns in the Lockney Shootout; 59-40 was the final from Post. It appears the Longhorns will have a healthy and complete roster when they start things back up in the Littlefield Tournament that starts on Dec. 27.

The Floydada Whirlwinds finish out before the Christmas break still 12-0, their latest a 81-27 win against Sudan. The Lady Winds suffered a 63-32 loss to a strong 'Nettes team.

The Floydada Winds and Lady Winds will finish out the year traveling to Dimmitt on Dec. 28. The Whirlwinds will enter into the Caprock Classic on Dec. 29.

Each week during basketball season we'll summarize results from Floyd County schools on alternate pages. Thanks to Cervantes Photography for the coverage!

**LOCKNEY LONGHORNS & LADY HORNS • WEEK OF DECEMBER 17**



**PUBLIC NOTICE • LOCKNEY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**LOCKNEY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2021**

Exhibit C-3

Data Control Codes	Major Funds			98 Total Governmental Funds
	10 General Fund	ESSER III - ARP Act	Other Funds	
<b>Revenues:</b>				
5700 Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 2,109,070	\$	\$ 726,334	\$ 2,835,404
5800 State Program Revenues	4,793,051		27,444	4,820,495
5900 Federal Program Revenues	112,151	47,559	686,853	846,563
<b>5020 Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 7,014,272</b>	<b>\$ 47,559</b>	<b>\$ 1,440,631</b>	<b>\$ 8,502,462</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
0011 Instruction	\$ 2,981,720	\$ 47,086	\$ 431,241	\$ 3,460,047
0012 Instructional Resources and Media Services	114,073			114,073
0013 Curriculum and Staff Development	26,456		2,500	28,956
0021 Instructional Leadership	104,242			104,242
0023 School Leadership	433,133			433,133
0031 Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services	171,150	473		171,623
0032 Social Work Services	20,672		17,540	38,212
0033 Health Services	69,383			69,383
0034 Student Transportation	247,769		3,520	251,289
0035 Food Services	9,367		273,219	282,586
0036 Extracurricular Activities	246,058		80,774	326,832
0041 General Administration	427,217		15,000	442,217
0051 Plant Maintenance and Operations	713,817			713,817
0052 Security and Monitoring Services	3,082			3,082
0053 Data Processing Services	309,315			309,315
0061 Community Services	306			306
0071 Principal on Long-Term Debt			430,000	430,000
0072 Interest on Long-Term Debt			174,150	174,150
0073 Bond Issuance Cost and Fees			349	349
0081 Facilities and Acquisition and Construction			81,475	81,475
0093 Payments to Shared Service Arrangements	168,859			168,859
0095 Payments to Juvenile Justice Alt. Ed. Program	2,077			2,077
0099 Other Intergovernmental Charges	26,597			26,597
<b>6030 Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 6,075,293</b>	<b>\$ 47,559</b>	<b>\$ 1,509,768</b>	<b>\$ 7,632,620</b>
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 938,979	\$ 0	\$ (69,137)	\$ 869,842
1200 Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ 938,979	\$ 0	\$ (69,137)	\$ 869,842
0100 September 1 - Fund Balance	4,766,339		483,093	5,249,432
3000 August 31 - Fund Balance	\$ 5,705,318	\$ 0	\$ 413,956	\$ 6,119,274

**FLOYD COUNTY 4-H NEWS & ACTIVITY CALENDAR**  
**STAFF REPORTS**

**DECEMBER**

30: November Point Sheet due

**2022 FLOYD COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW**

The date has been set for the 2022 Floyd County Stock Show. This tentative schedule is as follows:

**THURSDAY, January 13**

10:00 am - Barn Opens  
1:00 - 3:00 pm - Cattle weigh in  
5:00 pm - Beef and Dairy Cattle Show  
Rabbit Show will immediately follow the beef and dairy cattle show

**FRIDAY, January 14**

9:00 am - Barn Opens  
1:00 - 4:00 pm - Lambs, goats and swine weigh in and in place

**SATURDAY, January 15**

8:00 am - Gilt Show  
Barrow Show  
Approx. 12pm Lunch Break  
Goat Show  
Lamb Show  
Approx. 4 pm - Set up Premium Sale  
Approx. 5 pm - Buyer's Meal  
Approx. 6 pm - Premium Sale

**SUNDAY, January 16** 2:00 pm - Mandatory cleanup @ Unity Center

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# GAME WARDEN FIELD NOTES

TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT

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

### OFF THE ROAD AGAIN

An Amarillo district game warden was patrolling in Potter County after dark when he was notified about an injured individual who had been "run over" by an all-terrain vehicle. The warden responded immediately. He found one adult male hit by an ATV and suffering non-life-threatening injuries to his legs. The victim and other eyewitnesses at the scene identified another adult male as the driver of the ATV. Upon speaking with the driver of the ATV, the warden noticed that he had heavily slurred speech patterns, glassy/bloodshot eyes, and the odor of alcohol emitting from his breath. The victim of the collision was transported to an Amarillo hospital. The driver of the ATV admitted hitting the victim with the ATV and was subsequently arrested for driving while intoxicated and deadly conduct. The driver was booked into the Potter County Jail without incident.

### HOLD THE PEPPER

In September, a Bexar County game warden received a call from Austin communications about dove hunters peppering local residences with shotgun pellets. Upon arrival to the field, the warden observed two gentlemen hunting. As he drove up to the individuals, one of the gentlemen stood up and shot a bird that fell a few yards from him. The warden proceeded to complete a hunting check. He spoke with the individual and asked if he was aware of the type of bird he had just shot. The hunter did not know. The warden informed him that the bird was an American kestrel, a protected

bird of prey, and is not allowed to be hunted or harvested. The warden checked the other hunters in the group and discussed the issues around peppering, ensuring their shotgun pellets did not cross property lines. A citation was issued for harvesting a protected species. The case and civil restitution are pending.

### STING OPERATION

In August, a concerned citizen contacted Montgomery County game wardens regarding a neighbor keeping an alligator in his backyard. The wardens responded to the home where the alligator was reportedly kept. The homeowner admitted to capturing an alligator 4 or 5 feet in length from Lake Conroe, transporting it home to show his kids and then releasing it the next day. The wardens inspected the property and noticed a room full of aquariums. Knowledgeable in aquatic species, one of the wardens identified the animals as freshwater stingrays, which are an invasive species and illegal to possess. Through further conversation, the homeowner also admitted to removing a small alligator snapping turtle from Lake Livingston and keeping it in a tank. As the largest freshwater turtle in North America and a threatened species, it is illegal to capture or possess one without a permit. After discussing the matter with the homeowner, he agreed to assist game wardens in relocating the animals to better suited facilities. The turtle was donated to the Spring Creek Nature Center, which is permitted to possess native species and display them for educational purposes. The stingrays were transported to Moody Gardens to educate the public about different ecosystems and the harm that invasive species can cause to local wildlife.

# CROSSWORD • HAPPY HOLIDAYS • SOLUTION on page 7

### ACROSS

- Pilgrim's destination
- Make a scene
- Rubik's puzzle
- Hawaii environs
- Toothy fish
- Cone-shaped dwelling
- White Swan in "Swan Lake" ballerina
- \_\_\_\_-Wan Kenobi
- \*Decorate with wreaths and holly, e.g.
- \*Either dessert or source of heat (2 words)
- \*\_\_\_\_ Day, or second day of Christmastide
- Land parcel
- Strauss of denim fame
- Broadband access overseer, acr.
- Clarified butter
- Acute one and obtuse one
- Southeastern Asian country
- Jouster's breastplate
- Shrewdness
- Caspian basin river
- \*Pasadena's Tournament of \_\_\_\_\_
- Tel \_\_\_\_\_, Israel
- Native American emblem
- "Why not?"
- Hitchhiker's quest
- Omits when speaking
- Hard to find
- Bear's winter quarters
- Hoodwink
- Scepter's partner
- \*Number of days in Christmastide
- \*"Ugly" holiday party garb?
- Prepare a letter
- "Bingo!"
- Hunger for
- Pass-the-baton race
- \*Cranberry sauce sometimes comes from it
- Same as tori
- Raise the roof
- German river
- Stall sound

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	Lubbock 12/14/21	Tulia 12/16/21	Hollis 12/11/21	Floydada No Data
<b>Steers</b>	300-400	160-180	143-183	185-220
	400-500	155-168	173	175-210
	500-600	145-167	145.5-170	155-187
	600-700	140-155	159	145-168
	700-800	140-150	137.75-163.75	138-165
	800-900+			115-160
<b>Heifers</b>	300-400	145-170	155	145-180
	400-500	140-152	143.5-155	138-170
	500-600	130-150	141.5	128-152
	600-700	125-144.5	133-150.5	122-150
	700-800	115-140	150	115-142
<b>Pairs</b>	Young	1000-1175		
	Older	900-1000		
<b>Packer Cows</b>		58-64		45-75
	Thin	45-55		
<b>Packer Bulls</b>		80-88		65-96

this report brought to you by **Emily Teegardin, Attorney** 806.823.2132 office • 806.994.8400 cell  
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- Burdensome
- Not this or that
- Lab eggs
- Time off
- \*Champagne holder
- \*Wassailing composition
- Raccoon's South American cousin
- Feeling of superiority, pl.
- \_\_\_\_ gum, food additive
- Furiously angry
- Exclude or omit
- \*Number of candles in kinara, Kwanzaa
- \*Troika vehicle
- "Will be," according to Doris
- Asian goat antelope
- Potpourri
- Chevy Suburban, e.g.
- Builds
- \*Popular holiday wish
- Munchausen's title
- \*Bedecked arbor
- Shakespeare, to his friends?
- And others, for short
- Minus
- Tropical edible root
- Anon's partner
- Take a load off
- Like some humor
- \*Traditional main holiday dish

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Wednesday—7 p.m.

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Ludstia Prisk, Director of

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Morning Worship—10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship—6 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study—6:30 p.m.

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Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.  
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Evening Worship—7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday—8 p.m.  
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

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Evening Worship—6:00 p.m.  
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Morning Praise—11 a.m.  
Evening Praise 5—p.m.  
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Evening Worship—6 p.m.  
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Evening Worship—6 p.m.  
Wed. Meeting—7 p.m.

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Evening Worship—5 p.m.  
Wed. Service—7 p.m.

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Sunday Evening—2 p.m.



# SPOTLIGHT ON 7TH ANNUAL COUNTRY CHRISTMAS BALL

## Country Christmas Ball puts the 'fun' in fund-raising for seventh year

STAFF REPORTS | COURTESY PHOTOS

On the first Saturday in December, skirts swirled and boots scooted and tunes rang out at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center—and local fire departments reaped the benefit of \$10,000 each raised by the seventh annual Country Christmas Ball.

“We’d like to thank all who came and extend our gratitude to the many businesses that helped sponsor the event,” said organizer Dustee Sollis.

The fourteen-piece band of Wendell Sollis and the Sidekick All Stars, performing classic country, Western swing, Cajun, and Christmas favorites, entertained the crowd of some 575 guests.

A “winter wonderland” theme was highlighted with a life-sized sleigh and Santa Claus for the photo booth. River Smith’s of Lubbock catered the meal of fried fish and chicken.

In addition to dining and dancing, guests

could shop with any of the 11 vendors, place bids in live and silent auctions, and buy raffle tickets for a choice of quilts.

Festivities started with the national anthem and a tribute to America, then “Taps” honored fallen heroes while the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department displayed their new ladder truck.

Funds raised for the volunteer fire departments of Floydada and Lockney will be used for equipment, gear, and vehicles, Sollis said.

Wendell and Dustee Sollis would like to thank several people who contributed to the event. Joy Dalrymple of Joyfulea Creations decorated the building with the “winter wonderland” theme, and Tim Assiter vigorously conducted the live auction. Floydada and Lockney firefighters helped to set up and clean up the facility.

“Without the generosity of local and area businesses, the event would not be as successful,” said Sollis.



**WENDELL SOLLIS AND THE SIDEKICKS ALL-STAR BAND** (above) played for the Seventh Annual Country Christmas Ball on Saturday, Dec. 4. Band members are from left, Bob Baker, Ronnie Shultz, Kelly Hastey, Andrea Wilkinson, Steve Wilkinson, Cathy Jewell, Rodney Lay, Steve Ham, Mike Bennett, Ginny Mac, Brady Rasco, Lucy Dean Record, Chad Maines, Wendell Sollis and Greg Gibbs. | BIRDDOG PHOTOGRAPHY

