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First responders, medical community save life in farm accident



Courtesy photos

Quick thinking led to a miraculous rescue between Plainview and Floydada. Area first responders and Lubbock-area medical trauma professionals teamed up to help save the life of a man stuck in an auger.

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

A farm accident between Plainview and Floydada led to life-saving measures by an emergency rescue and trauma team Tuesday, Oct. 17.

Fifty-nine year-old Leo Martinez was trapped when his legs were caught inside of a 20-foot tall grain auger cart, causing severe life-threatening injuries.

A grain auger is a tube containing a solid shaft in the center with a spiral of flat steel that is welded onto the center shaft. The auger's sharp corkscrew blade rotates as it draws grain up.

According to KCBT-TV, Floydada EMS responded to the scene two miles north of Barwise on CR 27. EMT-Intermediate Larron Little, EMT-Intermediate Joshua Chappell and EMT-Basic

Sheryl Back were the first on the scene. EMT Paramedic Lyndell Stapp arrived shortly after to help. First responders were unable to reverse the auger blades or free Martinez, and feared he could bleed to death from his injuries.

Floydada Fire and Lockney Fire arrived on the scene and started using the Jaws of Life to try and free Martinez's legs. After several hours of trying to get him free, UMC was contacted to fly a surgeon to the scene.

According to Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center social media website, The Daily Dose, Steven Brooks, M.D., a trauma surgeon at Texas Tech Physicians and Trauma Medical Director at University Medical Center, was contacted and organized a team for travel to the accident site for a possible on-site leg amputation. "Dr. Christopher

Piel (UMC Emergency Department Medical Director) called me and described that the patient was wedged in the auger with his left leg crushed, and that saving Mr. Martinez's life might require an amputation surgery out in the field," Brooks said. "Our O.R. 'red team' prepared a surgical kit. The blood bank prepared coolers of blood for transfusion. The E.D. staff prepared a drug box for intubation and pain control. Thanks to these dedicated professionals who are all part of our trauma team, we were ready for anything. We then helicoptered to the site, essentially taking the operating room to the patient."

When Brooks and Andres Leal, M.D., chief resident, arrived on scene, they were prepared to intubate the patient. Police and sheriffs were present, while first responders from Lockney EMS & Fire

Department and Floydada Fire Department, cut the metal housing away from the auger using a torch to peel back layers of steel. Water was sprayed during the use of the torch to immediately cool the metal.

"The AeroCare1 team was fantastic," Brooks said, "Transporting us rapidly to the scene and returning the patient safely to University Medical Center. The first responders performed brilliantly. They started IV fluids, treated Mr. Martinez with pain medicines, all while helping to free his crushed leg with a blowtorch."

Floydada Police Chief Darrel Gooch assisted in running additional supplies to the scene as well as Officer Ruben Ramon and Deputy Ruben Deleon. Floyd County Sheriff Deputy Mathew Arguello transported blood to give to Martinez from WJ Mangold Hospital. Lighthouse Electric

was also on scene, offering a bucket truck to assist in lifting the patient out of the grain buggy.

Once freed, Martinez was lifted out of the 20-foot tall auger cart in a rescue basket with the help of a forklift. Immediately upon his arrival to University Medical Center, Brooks confirmed that the arterial blood supply to the patient's legs was intact. Texas Tech Physicians orthopaedic surgeon George Brindley, M.D., along with the orthopedic trauma team, operated on Martinez's numerous wounds and completed a left foot amputation that was largely done by the auger.

"Trauma care has taken center stage in the media nationally," Brooks continued. "Late-ly we are frequently reminded that tragedy can strike us or our loved ones at any time. This See ACCIDENT, Page 4

Upcoming

Events are listed free of charge for nonprofit civic organizations, schools and community events. Please submit listings at least two weeks ahead of the date. Listings will run through the date of the event. Emailed submissions are preferred to fchb.editor@yahoo.com.

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LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

On November 18th, the Center will hold its 1st annual Fall Bazaar from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Booths will be 10x10 for \$25 each. If you would like more information on the booths please contact the Center 806-652-2745. There will be handmade crafts, retail vendors, much more!

FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZENS FUNDRAISER

The Floydada Senior Citizen's Center will be holding a fundraiser lunch on Sunday, October 22, 2017. The menu will be chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad and dessert. Take-out See UPCOMING, Page 4

Lockney, Floydada Set Trunk or Treats for Saturday, Oct. 28

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

Saturday night, both Floyd County communities will be offering families a chance to have Halloween fun with Trunk or Treat.

Lockney will be having Trunk or Treat on Saturday, Oct. 28 starting at 4 p.m. on Main Street. Following the trunk or treat will be the school carnival from 6 to 8 p.m. at Lockney Elementary.

Floydada's Trunk or Treat will be Saturday, Oct. 28



from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Whirlwind Alley.

The Floydada Chamber would like to encourage everyone to decorate their car and come pass out candy, or

if you'd like to donate candy, please contact Kalli Martin, Chamber president, at Assiter Insurance 806-983-3322 or you can drop off candy with her at 120 California.

Perry, Springer



Courtesy photo

Senator Charles Perry and Representative Drew Springer held a Town Hall Meeting in Lockney on Friday, Oct. 20. They discussed the 85th Legislative Session as well as items of interest in the State, District and County and answered questions. Representative Springer presented Lucy Dean Record with a resolution from the Texas House of Representatives. Senator Perry presented Lucy Dean with a book of daily devotionals. Both of them expressed their thanks to Lucy Dean for her service to her Country, State, County and City.

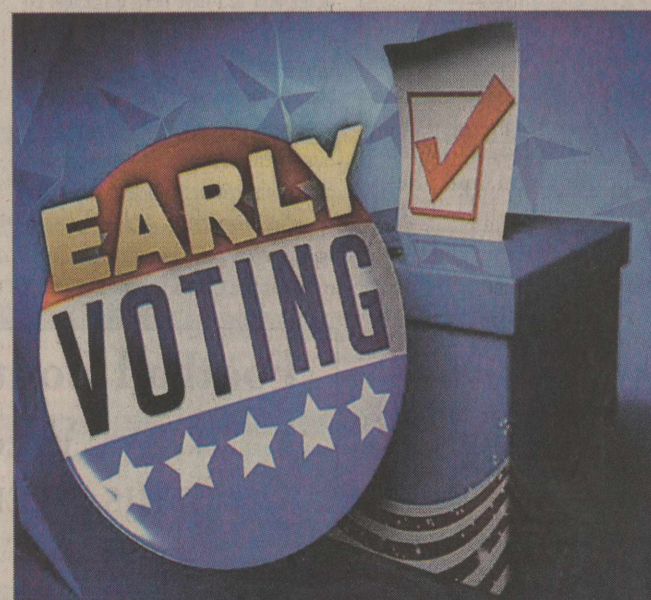
Early Voting Began October 23

Early voting for the November 7 elections to adopt or reject proposed constitutional amendments as submitted by the 85th Legislature will take place until November 3 at the Floyd County Courthouse from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in Floydada and at the First United Methodist Church in Lockney from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

There are seven Constitutional Amendments on the ballot, and a sample ballot can be found inside this edition.

The last day to register to vote in the November 7 election was Tuesday, Oct. 10.

(See ballot on page 12.)



Correction

If you spot an error of fact, contact the FCHB office email: fchb.editor@yahoo.com

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Critical times

By Molly Stringer

Molly was recovering. She had a very big scar on her abdomen as a constant reminder of the severe illness, but being eighteen, she failed probably to grasp the significance of what had happened to her and what still hung in the balance.

I will step into first person for a minute and say that as a nurse and knowing what I learned though my training and practice and what I know now, I would have been concerned the rest of the pregnancy. I knew that if you have major surgery during a pregnancy that you have an 80% chance of miscarriage. And if you have a major surgery and have to lay on the table waiting for a surgeon secured and have a bowel resection, have significant blood loss, requiring infusion of 5 units of blood, it would be almost positive that the pregnancy would be terminated. And if all of this happened and you carried your fetus, most certainly there might be some damage and challenges for that child.

Well none of these things happened, and Molly delivered a healthy baby girl in August of 1958. Christy Jan was born and was perfect.

Now I will get back to the family. Whatever happened to Jack and Jo Frances? After they were married, Jack was still a student at Hardin Simmons University. He was a music major and felt God's calling to be a Minister of Music. Jo became the bread winner as Jack finished school. Jack had always been kind of a light weight, but being exposed to Jo's cooking he began to put on some flesh. I remember him saying that Jo cooked a lot of pancakes and if he didn't eat them all she would pout and think he didn't like her cooking, so she fattened Jack up a bit.

They were called by the First Baptist Church in O'Donnell to come as their music man, so they moved there. It was during this time that the draft was still in place, so Jack received his summons from Uncle Sam. He had to resign his church and he left for basic training. Jo moved to a small apartment in Lubbock and got a job. This was a very difficult time for Jo. She needed Jack and was very sad during this time. Often Molly and Bill would drive to Lubbock and visit with her. Some happy times were spent with Jo at the Long Horn Café, eating their special burger called Ketta-burger—Wow! It was so good.

When Jack finished basic training he went to El Paso, OK for while and then to El Paso, Texas to live and it was there that their daughter, Robbie Diane was born, she was a preemie but survived well. Living arrangements were not the best as two other servicemen lived in the house with them.

Joe, Opal, Brad, Molly and Bill drove down to El Paso to see the new precious baby. She was long and kind of skinny—like her mother. But she had great lungs.

Jack got out of the army early due to Jo's health and another baby on the way. They moved to Archer City, Texas where Jack was Music director. It was there that Rhonda Van was born, completing their family.

Jack served in Portales, New Mexico, and several other churches as Music leader, then He felt that God was calling him

to be a Pastor. Now Jo was having none of that, she was tired of living in parsonages and being on church staff as the Music Director's wife and certainly she did not sign on to be a Pastor's wife. Jack made this decision public one Sunday in his home church at Kress—Jo adjourned to the basement to keep herself together. She decided to go down to Munday where Opal and Joe lived and maybe they would sympathize with her and understand. Christy Jan was also visiting her Granny and Paw Paw Earp. Opal's sister Jerene and her husband J.T. had also come over to visit. A big cloud came up, it was so scary. The wind got up really high and soon they realized that they were in a path of a tornado. Jo Frances got the little kids, Christy, Robbie and Rhonda, in the bathtub for safety. Opal was going around the house opening windows, she had heard to do that if a tornado came your way. Jerene was following her closing the windows! When the storm was over the house was still intact, but the barn had blown away. There were tree limbs everywhere.

Now looking at this scary time for the children, Christy determined that just maybe God was talking to her Aunt Jo through this harrowing experience, and that she just needed to decide to go home and be a pastor's wife. And that is just what Jo did.

Jack's first pastorate was in the church at Gillespie. It was the church that Joe and Opal attended. It was mid-way between Munday and Knox City. Joe served as song leader there for many years and he and Opal taught the Men's and Ladies Sunday school classes there.

Jack went from there to College Avenue as associate pastor in Lubbock. They then served in Mertzon, Texas, Denton, Texas, Grand Forks North Dakota, and Mildenhall England.

They then came back to the states and Jack served as Director of Missions in Ohio. It was there that Jack and Jo bought their first home, they were happy there helping the struggling work with bi-vocational pastors and traveling to all the churches, giving them support and helping them to build and grow.

Jack soon felt the call back to pastoring. That's where his heart was. Robbie and Rhonda had both married servicemen from the military base in England. Robbie married Stan Core and wound up in Oklahoma. Rhonda married Adrain Wiltshire and lived in Saudi Arabia for several years. Rhonda eventually became a nurse and mother to Ashlea and Brendan. Robbie became a wonderful mother to Matthew, Stacey, Zachery, and Christie.

When Jack moved from Ohio, he went back to Mertzon, Texas, Yuma, Colorado, then made the move to pastor in Matador, Texas. He also pastored the small church at nearby Roaring Springs.

It was while they lived in Yuma, Colorado that Jack and Jo faced the most critical experience of their life. Jo had a severe headache, it was after church on Sunday night. She was nauseated. She told Jack that she needed to go to the hospital. She was diagnosed with a brain aneurysm. She was taken to Ft. Collins for treatment and then airlifted to Denver. Her life

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Opinion

Why are sanctuary cities helping the Mexican heroin cartels?

By Robert Romano

About 14 of the 284 rejected Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detainer requests for illegal aliens by local law enforcement were individuals on narcotics charges, including trafficking, a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request by Judicial Watch from the Department of Homeland Security has revealed. The period covered the first three months of 2017.

When an ICE detainer request is rejected, the criminal gets released prior to interception by the ICE agents, and is back on the street. No word on if they ever turn up for their court dates — why would they bother? — but leaving that aside, the real question is why are local law enforcement entities refusing to cooperate with federal immigration authorities in cases that would result in drug dealers being deported?

So far, we've seen excuses that ICE detainer requests are not legally binding — because Congress has not set forth that local law enforcement must comply with the requests — or that is simply the policy or law (as is the case now in California and Illinois) of that jurisdiction not to allow illegal immigrants to be deported, even if they're drug traffickers.

But with now 13,000 heroin overdose deaths a year as of 2015, a significant and growing portion of the now 33,000 annual opioid overdose deaths, according to Centers for Disease Control (CDC) data, considered by all to be a crisis facing communities across the country, allowing some of these dealers back out onto the street who could be removed from the country appears inexplicable.

It is so inexplicable, it may be time for the Justice Department to start looking into the possibility that sanctuary jurisdictions are not harboring illegal aliens simply because they are liberal do-gooders who believe in open borders and non-enforcement of immigration law. Maybe they are being bribed by the cartels. Or worse, infiltrated.

Consider how drug dealers, especially bigger ones, already routinely bribe local and federal police officials to enable the drug trade.

Federal court documents against El Chapo, notorious head of the Sinaloa cartel, state that, "A cornerstone of his strategy was the corruption of officials at every level of local, municipal, state, national and foreign government, who were paid cash bribes to ensure that he and the Sinaloa Cartel were free to bring in tonnage quantities of cocaine from South America and move it freely to the United States."

To be certain, a number of cases in recent years have been brought against police officers who it turns out were taking bribes from local drug dealers, in Baltimore, Md., Atlanta, Ga., Chicago, Ill., and Bakersfield, Ca. All are in sanctuary jurisdictions.

There are instances of airport security screeners being popped for taking bribes to allow drugs onto passenger planes, for example at San Francisco International Airport and Oakland International Airport.

Even the U.S. Border Patrol has a major problem, a 2012 Government Accountability Office (GAO) report found: "From fiscal years 2005 through 2012, a total of 144 employees were arrested or indicted for corruption-related activities, including the smuggling of aliens or drugs, and 125 have been convicted. 20 About 65 percent (93 of 144 arrests) were employees stationed along the southwest border. Our review of documentation on these cases indicates that 103 of the 144 cases were for mission-compromising corruption activities, which are the most severe offenses, such as drug or alien smuggling, bribery, and allowing illegal cargo into the United States."

But it's not simply a matter of good cops going bad. The GAO report also warns of active infiltration by those who specifically sign up for the Border Patrol to facilitate the drug trade. The report stated, "there have been a number of cases in which individuals, known as infiltrators, pursued employment at CBP solely to engage in mission-compromising activity. For example, in 2007, a CBPO in El Paso, Texas, was arrested at her duty station at the Paso Del Norte Bridge for conspiracy to import marijuana into the United States from June 2003 to July 2007, and was later convicted and sentenced to 20 years in prison. OFO reported that she may have sought employment with CBP to facilitate drug smuggling. CBP officials view this case as an example of the potential impact of corruption — if the officer had succeeded in facilitating the importation of 5,000 pounds of marijuana per month, this would amount to a total of 240,000 pounds over 4 years with a retail value of \$288 million dollars. In another case, a former BPA previously stationed in Comstock, Texas, was arrested in 2008 for conspiracy to possess, with intent to distribute, more than 1,000 kilograms of marijuana. The agent was convicted in 2009 and sentenced to 15 years in prison and ordered to pay a \$10,000 fine."

These could just be the tip of the iceberg. In "Drugs: America's Holy War," Arthur Benavie warns, "The drug war generates enormous amounts of money, which flows in underground channels between groups of law breakers who are in constant danger of arrest. Police, judges, prosecutors, legislators, DEA agents, and prison guards are among those subject to bribery... Given the astronomical profits in black market drugs, and the fact that the illegal transactions take place between colluding sellers and buyers, law enforcement officials find themselves in possession of an extremely valuable service — looking the other way."

The problem is extensive, according to "America's Longest War: Rethinking Our Tragic Crusade Against Drugs," in which Steven Duke and Albert Gross state, "Policemen in virtually every American city are on the payrolls of drug merchants, earning their pay by tipping off drug dealers about raids or searches, about snitches and the like. Some police even engage in the drug trade themselves. Hundreds of law-enforcement officials have been convicted of taking bribes, stealing from drug dealers, even selling drugs."

Then, a simple look at a map shows that sanctuary jurisdictions lay neatly along routes known to be taken by drug traffickers from Mexico, in California, Oregon, Washington, New Mexico, Colorado, Kansas, Iowa, Illinois, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Washington, D.C. Chicago is the major destination for traffickers. From there, the drugs, including heroin, pretty much go everywhere.

Dallas, Texas, a sanctuary city, has been declared a "command center" by drug traffickers.

The damage can be traced as well, with the states being hit with the greatest number of heroin overdoses are falling in these distribution areas as well. Wherever the cartel goes, it leaves a path of death in its wake.

And if we want to get to the bottom of it, perhaps the Justice Department needs to follow these patterns. Maybe the sanctuary cities are helping. They might just be useful idiots, foolishly setting up non-enforcement zones against illegal aliens in areas where the cartel happens to be operating. Or perhaps they're doing it on purpose. Maybe they're on the take. It wouldn't be the first time. It might be time to take a look, not just at dirty cops, but city councilmen, legislators and judges, too. This could be big.

Football Contest Standings

Week 7

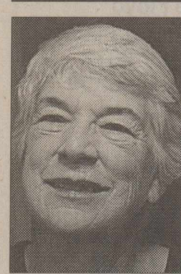
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Brent Sanders	21/25	129/174
Coy LaBaume	21/25	128/174
Roel Cisneros	20/25	128/174
Pam Fulton	20/25	127/174
Lanny Barnett	21/25	127/174
Ricky Ascencio	20/25	120/174
Renee Armstrong	21/25	120/174
Diego Ascencio	17/25	115/174
Boyd Lee	20/25	115/174
Paul Lopez	17/25	105/174
Steve Stringer	15/25	91/174

The 501

Calf Heart, Wohelo, odd stoves

Did I eat grilled calf heart in Tahiti? Why did we Camp Fire Girls seriously have to sing that campfire song "WoHeLo"? Who remembers those wood stoves



HANABA MUNN WELCH

in the primitive cabins at Yellowstone — the ones you couldn't cook on for lack of a flat surface?

Disparate memories. Before the Internet, such idle questions would have remained unanswered — too much trouble to research, too dependent on faulty human recall. But now all it takes is a few Google clicks to confirm memories; yea, even to enhance them. Thank you Internet.

As for the trip to Tahiti, 1976, our family had little extra money. Just getting to the South Pacific had cost enough. A meal in a Tahitian restaurant? No way. But grilled calf heart (if that's what it was) was affordable. So was the coconut.

Now, on a French Polynesia pro-

motional site, I read this:

"At night, the Place Val'ete is full of energy, where you can find very colorful food wagons. They sell the local food and delicious, rich desserts for everyone. Tourists and locals can sample food from grilled calf heart to French crepes, and even Tahitian pizza!"

Hmmm. So we weren't just filling our stomachs. We were experiencing colorful must-see downtown Papeete as any tourist should. We did it right! What's more, a vague memory of that pizza is wafting my way. Seems like we couldn't afford it.

Maybe next time. Going deeper into my past, the Camp Fire Girls memory makes me wonder who wrote "WoHeLo" and why we had to sing it. It was presented as a sacred hymn about work, health and love. I didn't quite buy it.

One click and I have discovered "WoHeLo" is a girls' camp in Maine, established in 1907. Who knew?

A few more clicks and I've learned that "WoHeLo" is the Camp Fire watchword. Camp Fire dates from 1910. It's no longer Camp Fire Girls. (Campfire Girls is a rock band, seemingly defunct.)

Another click and a WoHeLo connection emerges:

Essentially the same people founded Camp WoHeLo and also Camp Fire. Good for them, and I really mean that.

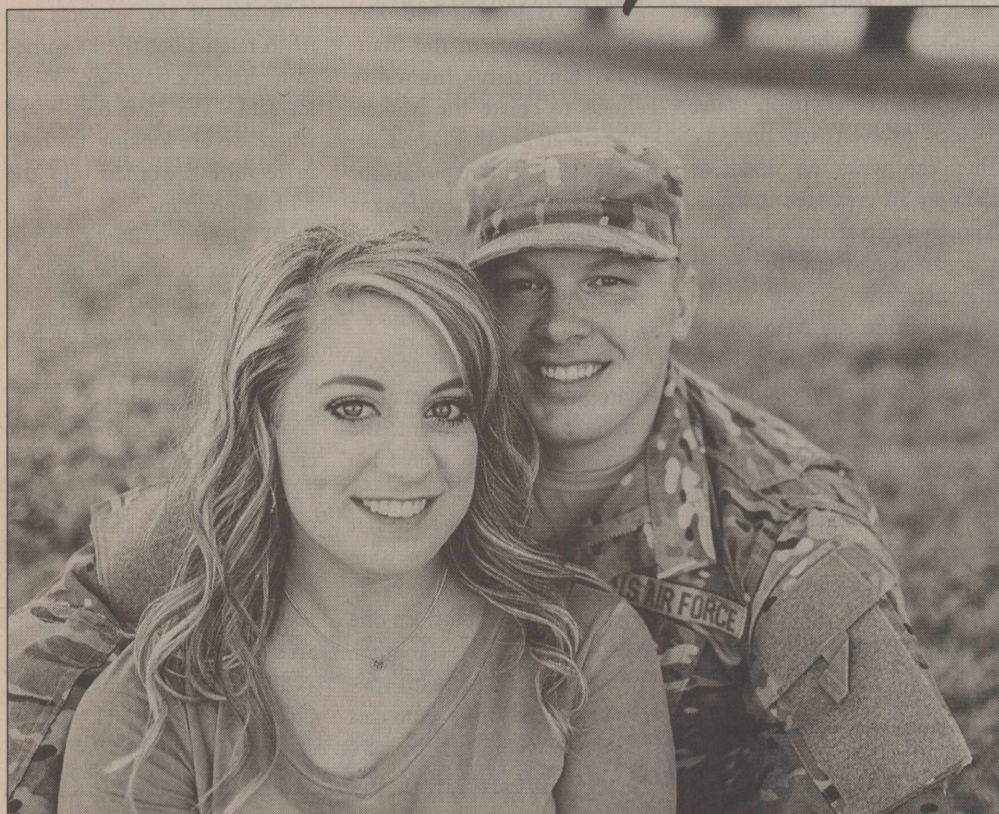
Another click. Voilà, a YouTube video of a Camp Fire processional song sung by four dedicated adolescents. "Wohelo" is a key word. Sounds like it's in a minor pentatonic key — maybe a mode. I think it's the tune I remember from my youth. No wonder I found it unsettling. At that point in my life, I'd not encountered any hymns in minor keys. It was one thing to pledge my head, heart, hands and health to noble purposes every time our 4-H Club said its pledge, albeit with no mention of God, but to sit around a Camp Fire in the dark and sing a serious no-mention-of-deity minor-key song about the purpose of life? It didn't feel right. Call me rigid, discerning or skeptical. I might have been all three.

WoHeLo anyway. As for those quaint Yellowstone stoves, they aren't popping up on Google.

I'm almost glad. I'm not sure why.

SOCIETY

Warren and Wheat to marry



MARY WARREN AND CASEY WHEAT

Don and Hope Warren of Floydada are pleased to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Mary to Casey Wheat.

Mary is a 2008 graduate of Floydada High School and a 2011 graduate of West Texas A&M University. She is currently a senior English teacher and cheer sponsor at Randall High School in Canyon, Texas.

Casey, originally from Parsons, Tennessee, joined the United States Air Force in 2009. He is currently stationed at Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis, New Mexico and works in the civil engineering department.

The wedding will take place on Saturday, January 6, 2018 in the Legacy Ballroom on the West Texas A&M University campus in Canyon, Texas.

Floydada Rotary



Photo Courtesy of Karen Houchin

Rotarian T. K. Farris brought last week's Rotary Club program. His guest was Tony Ricketts, owner of KFLP radio station. Tony has many names: Tony Ricketts, Tony St. James, Remington's dad or Kylie's dad, Anthony, or even Pam's husband. Tony started in radio at the age of 15. He could not be licensed until 16, thus working for free for a year. He went to Wayland Baptist University and worked at KWLD radio station on campus. Then went to work at KVOP in Plainview, then another one in Amarillo, all 3 simultaneously, all 3 under different "radio names." Tony has a very interesting story about choosing his radio name from a newspaper. Isaiah 33 was his guidance on coming to Floydada, actually verse 6, "faith and trust in things that can never be." Thank you to Rotarian Farris for a very entertaining program.

Museum Archives

THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM MEMORIES 1979

J. M. FLOYD, SR., D.V.M.

John Marvin Floyd, Sr. was born in Waverly, Kentucky in 1879. He moved with his parents to Lewisville, Texas in 1882, and to Lockney area with his parents, seven brothers, and two sisters. John Marvin's father C. A. Floyd, was a pioneer farmer two miles north and west of Lockney.

John M., Sr. worked on farms and ranches in New Mexico and Montana from 1900-1913 and saved enough money to attend Kansas City Veterinary College. Then in April 1916 he graduated with a degree in veterinary medicine and came back to Lockney as a practicing Veterinarian. Dr. Floyd served as a city alderman several years. He was a Mason and member of Lodge No. 867 A.F. and A.M. Floyd received his fifty year pin several years before his death in 1963.

Dr. Floyd married Willie Mae Braswell in 1925. Willie M. (Bill) was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. U.S. Braswell. Mrs. Floyd was a licensed vocational nurse. After the children were grown, she first worked for Dr. N. E. Greer and was employed later for many years at Lockney Gen-

eral Hospital. Mrs. Floyd resides now (1978) at Heritage Home in Plainview, Texas.

The Floyds were parents of two children. Shirlie attended Lockney Schools all of her school years and was graduated with the class of 1943. She was a member of the early years in the re-organized Lockney Longhorn Band as a twirler. She is married to Gilbert Roberson, son of the late Frank Roberson and Beulah Whitlock Roberson.

Gilbert and Shirlie Roberson reside in Olton, Texas. They have two children. Their daughter, Donna, is married and lives in Lubbock and is the mother of Ty Aldridge. The Roberson's son is a junior at Texas Tech University.

J.M. Floyd, Jr. attended Lockney schools all of his school years. He was active in band and sports. J.M.Jr. was in the U.S. Army in Japan. He graduated from Draughn's Business College and was employed in Lockney at the time of his death in 1949.

The Floyds were members of the Methodist Church, active and supportive not only in the church but in community affairs.

Pet talk

Mobile veterinarians provide care at home

Whether you are taking your animal in for its regular check-up or making an emergency visit, being evaluated by a veterinarian is a critical part in your pet's health. What if an animal is too sick or injured to be transported to the clinic? Some animals, such as livestock, may even require a trailer for transport. Luckily for pet and livestock owners, mobile veterinarians are there to help.

Leslie Easterwood, clinical assistant professor at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, explained the important role mobile veterinarians play in animal health.

"The most common reason for an owner to use a mobile veterinarian is so that they do not have to transport their animal to a hospital," Easterwood said. "There could be a variety of reasons why having the veterinarian come to the farm or home is better, such as situations where there are several animals to be treated or the owner does not have access to a livestock trailer."

Though mobile veterinarians are available for home-visits, they may also see pa-



Floydada Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture

By Deon Fincher
Chamber Manager

Living in an agriculturally-centered community, autumn brings a flurry of activity along with the reds and golds of the trees. Floyd County's 1st Bale of Cotton came out of the gin on October 11, and it was like the gunshot that starts racers around the track. All of the sudden, the deep-green cotton rows have turned into a 3-D, impressionistic view of snow-covered fields stretching as far as the eye can see. Some round, some rectangle, the modules seem to roll out of the wide, open mouths of the combiners at a staggering pace, and the dust trails tattle on the location of the

trucks, loaded and heavy, making their way to the asphalt highways that lead to the gins.

As I sat on the tailgate of our pickup watching the process this past weekend, my thoughts turned to our community. For those of us that live in an agricultural community, "harvest" takes on an entirely different scope than what the commercial magazines depict. Sure, we have a boundless supply of pumpkins for porch decorations, and corn stalks are simply pulled from the ground behind our houses; but "harvest" isn't just about delightful arrangements. Harvest is our lifeblood. Harvest is what puts food on our tables. It's what fuels the

cars and trucks on our highways. Our harvest is what gives us roofs over our heads and shirts on our backs.

The official name of the Chamber is The Floydada Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture. The string of words tends to get overwhelmingly long, especially when signing thank-you notes, and we often take liberties, shortening the phrase to The Chamber of Commerce. Let us never forget where we come from, what provided for those before us, and what put this community on the map--Agriculture. We must honor that heritage and include it just as we do in our formal name--The Floydada Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Our serving times are 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. We serve a delicious meal with salad bar Monday thru Friday. We invite you to join us. We know you will enjoy the food and fellowship!

"Bingo Night" is held every second Tuesday of the month. There will be food, prizes, and fellowship. Come and join us. Anyone ages 16 and over are welcome!

Floydada Senior Citizen Center is open to people of all ages. You do not need to be a senior citizen, nor a member to eat with us. However, if you are a member, your meal is \$5.00 instead of non-member price of \$6.00. To become a member, all you need do is pay a \$25.00 yearly membership fee.

Join us at 925 W. Crockett Street or we will deliver a meal anywhere in town. Call 983-2032.

Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas

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Hope everyone has an awesome week!

MENU

- October 30 - November 3
 - Monday - Chili
 - Tuesday - Chicken & dumplings
 - Wednesday - Chicken fried steak
 - Thursday - Burrito smothered w/chili & cheese
 - Friday - Roast beef w/gravy
- (Menus subject to change without notice)

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - On November 18th, the Center will hold its 1st annual Fall Bazaar from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Booths will be 10x10 for \$25 each. If you would like more information on the booths please contact the Center 806-652-2745. There will be hand-made crafts, retail vendors, much more!

Breakfast is served here at the Center from 5:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday only.

Be sure and call the Center by 9:30 a.m. if you would like to eat. Our phone number is 652-2745.

Remember Exercise with Dorothy - Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8:45 - 9:30 a.m.

Coffee time - Monday-Saturday - 9:30-10:30 a.m. Thursday night pot luck.

Bring a dish and a friend and enjoy games afterwards. 5 - 9 p.m.

Hope you all have a great week.

MENU

- October 30 - November 3
 - Monday - Smoked sausage
 - Tuesday - Taco salad
 - Wednesday - Pulled pork
 - Thursday - Frito pie
 - Friday - Baked chicken
- (Menus subject to change without notice)


College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University. Stories can be viewed on the Web

at vetmed.tamu.edu/pet-talk. Suggestions for future topics may be directed to editor@cvm.tamu.edu.

Are you getting the most from your Medicare coverage?

Join us October 31st, 2-4 pm at the Floyd County Library!

Reserve your spot at 806-781-3904



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OBITUARIES/CHURCH

Obituaries

Gordon Neal Hambright

Gordon Neal Hambright, age 85, passed away on Monday, October 16, 2017 at Brookdale Remington Park, Lubbock, Texas.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m., Friday, October 20, 2017 in the Moore Rose Funeral Home Chapel in Floydada. Pastor Snodgrass of First Baptist Church officiated.

Interment followed at the Lakeview Cemetery with Floyd County VFW military honors.

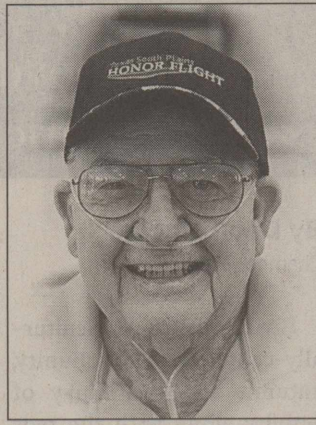
Gordon was born on February 12, 1932 in Floydada, Texas to WM and Ethel Hambright. He graduated Floydada High School in 1949 and enlisted in the US Navy in 1951, where he was a postmaster and a projectionist. After Gordon served his time overseas in Guam, he married Mary Darlynn Warren in 1955. They remained happily married for 51 years until her death in 2006.

Gordon's career included

working for the US Postal Service, Texas Highway Department and being a projectionist at the Palace and Capada Theaters as well as owner/projectionist of Seale Drive-In Theater in Lockney, Texas.

Gordon found time to be a member of the Floydada First Baptist Church, Floydada Masonic Lodge, Good Sams/Whirlwind Travel Club and a very proud member of the Texas South Plains Honor Flight. He was an accomplished handy man in carpentry and welding, enjoyed jigsaw puzzles, coin collecting, his LP records, playing bingo, traveling and spending time with his family.

He is survived by two brothers, Bob Hambright and Billy Hambright; a sister, Janelle Breed; his sons, Craig Hambright of Lubbock, and Grant and Cindy Hambright of Beavercreek, Ohio; and a daughter, Treva and Mike



GORDON NEAL HAMBRIGHT

Wilson of Wolfforth, Texas; four grandchildren, Bryson Hambright of Lubbock, Jordan Hambright of West Carrollton, Ohio, and Cam and Caleb Chambers of Lubbock and Plano, respectively.

Gordon will be remembered for his shining smile, good heart and his way of making everyone laugh. The family would like to extend their gratitude to all the staff at Brookdale Remington Park, Lubbock Heart Hospital, and Kindred Hospice of Lubbock.

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

SPC Math, Engineering Department creates innovative thinking area for students

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND – Imagine a work space where students can gather and contribute their thoughts and ideas to on-going projects or even new projects. They can write on desks or walls in an area free of rules. And, they can actually assist on a departmental app for other students. This is the atmosphere within the Makerspace in Room 121 of the Mathematics/Engineering building.

"It's a place to work and a place for every student who wants to collaborate, study or create new things," said Alan Worley, chairperson of the Math and Engineering Department and assistant professor of Mathematics.

Worley teamed up with former participants in the Stanford's University Innovative Fellows to create the Makerspace for all South Plains College students. This national program empowers student leaders to increase campus engagement with entrepreneurship, innovation, creativity, design thinking and venture creation.

Unlike the normal classroom environment, the Makerspace is designed for movement. The room features an adjustable desk set at a standard height of five feet. The chairs are not only built for comfort, they are equipped with wheels to easily allow students to roll from one place in the room to another. The walls are coated with special paints which encourages students to write on any surface. The black wall was created for neon markers.

Worley said, "We have one board where we are looking for help in recruiting women into the STEM program."

To help students bring their ideas to life, the room is equipped with carts filled with arts and crafts materials such as rubber bands, pipe cleaner, paper clips, string, markers, cardboard, etc., to encourage their creativity. The plan is to have 72 mobile bins in the room accessible to the students.

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ACCIDENT

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is an example of how our Lubbock medical community handles such a challenge. It's a story of our first responders rising to the oc-

casional. It's a story of how Texas Tech Physicians and health care professionals in our Level 1 Trauma Center all put their heads together to operate in the field and save a life. We're proud of our trauma team, and we show up every day ready to

take care of our Lubbock community and the West Texas region."

According to the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal Martinez should be able to walk again in a few months with therapy and possibly a prosthetic.

ATTENTION!!! OLD SETTLER'S DATE CHANGE

The Old Settler's Association met and have voted on moving the Old Settler's Reunion to the 2nd Saturday of May. In 2018 the Old Settler's Reunion will be held on Saturday, May 12, 2018.

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND – Students and staff of the South Plains College Nursing Program will host a "Trunk or Treat" Halloween event from 5 to 7 p.m. on Oct. 24 in the parking lot at 202 Clubview Drive.

The event is free and open to

the public. Prizes will be awarded to the children that come dressed up as nurses.

The nursing students and staff will decorate the trunks of their cars, and distribute candy to children that attend the event.

For more information, contact Julie Grant, nursing recruiter at (806) 716-2248.

South Plains College's nursing students, staff to host Trunk or Treat

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

Rattling Feed Buckets

Thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

— Isaiah 43:1 (NRSV)

My father worked most of his life at a racing-horse farm in upstate New York. An exercise rider and jack-of-all-trades, he had a special affinity with the horses he worked with every day. He had nicknames for them all and was always the first one into the training barn each morning. After turning on the light, he would call out the nicknames of the horses. They would whinny, snort, and rattle their feed buckets as they recognized

my father's voice.

As Christians, we can take a lesson from those horses. Do we discern God calling out our names, or are we too involved in our own pursuits to hear God's voice? God is calling us to respond faithfully in everything we do — even in the mundane tasks.

We cannot rattle our feed buckets like the horses did for my dad. But we can respond to our call by doing God's work in the world.

—James C. Seymour, Jr.

Thought for the Day:
Today I will faithfully do God's work.

taken from <http://devotional.upperroom.org/devotionals>

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| <p>Aiken Baptist Church
Dennis Butler, Pastor
Morning Worship: 11 a.m.
*****</p> <p>Bible Baptist Church
810 S. 3rd, Floydada
Darwin Robinson, Pastor
983-2578
Sunday School...10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m.
*****</p> <p>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.
*****</p> <p>Carr's Chapel
Service Every Sunday
Morning Worship - 9 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
*****</p> <p>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.
*****</p> <p>City Park Church of Christ
Matthew Benfield, Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study - 7 p.m.
*****</p> <p>First Baptist Church
Floydada
Mark Snowden, Pastor
Ron Montgomery, Interim Minister of
Worship
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.
*****</p> <p>First Baptist Church
Lockney
Joseph Tillery, Pastor
Chad Cook, Youth Min.
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.</p> | <p>Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.
*****</p> <p>First United Methodist Church
Floydada
Rev. Ken Peterson, Pastor
Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School - 10:50 a.m.
Youth (Sunday) - 6:30 p.m.
*****</p> <p>First United Methodist Church
Lockney
Rev. Ricky Carsensen, Pastor
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service - 6 p.m.
Wed. Jr. High - 5:30 p.m.
Wed High School - 6:30 p.m.
*****</p> <p>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.
*****</p> <p>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
Rev. Timothy Askey
401 N 12th St. 983-5805
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wednesday Study - 6 p.m.
*****</p> <p>Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church
310 Mississippi
Floydada
Rev David Ramos, Pastor</p> | <p>Ester Ramos, Praise Leader
Sunday Bible - 10 a.m.
Morning Praise - 11 a.m.
Evening Praise 5 - p.m.
Wed Worship - 7 p.m.
*****</p> <p>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.
*****</p> <p>Primera Iglesia Bautista
Lockney
Jesus Caballero, Pastor
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service - 11 a.m.
Discipleship - 5 p.m.
Wed. Service - 7 p.m.
*****</p> <p>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.
*****</p> <p>San Jose Catholic Church
Lockney
Fr. Arockia Dhas Jeganathan
Sun - 9 a.m. Children Bible study
10 a.m. - Mass
Wed. - 6 p.m. - Faith Formation -
CYO to follow
Thurs. - 6:30 pm- Evening Mass
*****</p> <p>South Plains Baptist Church
Joe Weldon, Pastor
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Prayer Meeting - 7 p.m.
*****</p> <p>Templo Getsemani Assembly of God
701 W. Missouri
Joe M. Hernandez
983-5286 (Church)
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.</p> | <p>St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
Floydada
Rev. Ruban Selvaraj
983-5878
Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m.
Mon. & Wed. Mass - 6:30 p.m.
Confession Sat - 10-11 a.m.
*****</p> <p>Templo Bautista Salem
Lockney
Rev. Joe Hernandez
Bun 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.
*****</p> <p>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.
*****</p> <p>Templo Nueva Vida
Rev. Herman Martinez
308 W. Tennessee, Floydada
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Evening Worship - 5 p.m.
Tuesday - 7:30 p.m.
Thursday Service - 7:30 p.m.
*****</p> <p>Trinity Assembly
500 W. Houston
Tom Ross, Pastor
983-5499
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 6 p.m.
*****</p> <p>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.
*****</p> <p>West Side Church of Christ
Floydada
983-2672 Or 470-0950
Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.
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AGRICULTURE

Harvest Increasing in PCG Service Area

By Mary Jane Buerkle
Plains Cotton Growers

The skies finally cleared up and fields dried out enough for PCG area cotton growers to shift into high gear, applying harvest aids and moving cotton harvesting equipment into and through the field.

Overall, thanks largely to cool, cloudy weather in the latter part of the season, harvest is later than usual on the Texas High Plains. In 2016, the first USDA cotton classing office reports were released from individual offices in Lubbock and Lame-

sa on October 13. In 2015, the first individual office report date was October 9. As of press time, PCG has received data from Lamesa for the first time this year and is expecting a report from the Lubbock office.

The Texas Cotton Ginners Association issued an alert earlier this week regarding plastic contamination in samples. The USDA classing office currently is putting a 61 or 62 extraneous matter call on those samples, and it is possible that they may develop a specific code for plastic contamination, according to TCGA.

"It is absolutely vital that we do everything we can to avoid contamination," PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett said. "We have a good reputation for producing high quality cotton for our mills worldwide, and we must be able to continue delivering cotton that is contamination-free."

Harvest activity should continue to increase rapidly over the next few weeks, barring any weather events. A freeze continues to elude most parts of the PCG service area, although some areas had a frost earlier this week.

Farmers, Ranchers Affected by Hurricanes Granted Extra Time, Procedures to Document, Claim Losses

By Eddie Trevino

FSA Texas State Office

USDA announced special procedures to assist producers who lost crops or livestock or had other damage to their farms or ranches as a result of hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Also, because of the severe and widespread damage caused by the hurricanes, USDA will provide additional flexibility to assist farm loan borrowers.

USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA), is authorizing emergency procedures on a case-by-case basis to assist impacted borrowers, livestock owners, contract growers, and other producers. The measures announced today apply only to counties impacted by a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration-determined tropical storm, typhoon, or hurricane, including Harvey and Irma that have received a primary Presidential Disaster Declaration and those counties contiguous to such designated counties.

Financially stressed FSA farm loan borrowers affected by the hurricanes who have received primary loan servicing applications may be eligible for 60 day extensions. Full details are available at <https://go.usa.gov/xRe8V>.

gov/xRe8V.

A more complete listing of all of the special farm program provisions is posted at <https://go.usa.gov/xRe8p>.

Among the actions announced today are lengthened deadlines for certain provisions under the Marketing Assistance Loan (MAL) program, the Farm Storage Facility Loan Program (FSFL), and the Emergency Conservation Program (ECP), the Emergency Forest Restoration Program (EFRP), the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP), and the Tree Assistance Program (TAP). Emergency grazing may also be authorized under the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) for up to 60 days.

In addition, the deadlines to file a loss for the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) and the Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees and Farm-Raised Fish (ELAP) are extended, and special provisions are provided for "acceptable proof of livestock death and inventory for livestock losses."

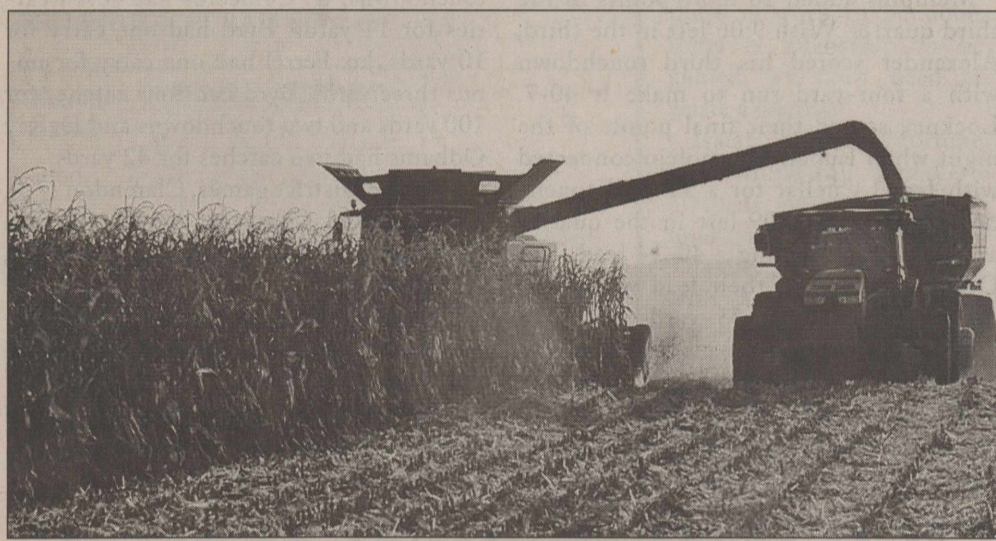
Farmers and ranchers affected by the hurricanes are urged to keep thorough records of all losses, in-

cluding livestock death losses, as well as expenses for such things as feed purchases and other extraordinary costs because of lost supplies and or increased transportation costs.

Producers with coverage through USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA) administered federal crop insurance program should contact their crop insurance agent for issues regarding filing claims. Those who purchased crop insurance will be paid for covered losses. Producers should report crop damage within 72 hours of damage discovery and follow up in writing within 15 days. The Approved Insurance Providers (AIP), loss adjusters and agents are experienced and well trained in handling these types of events. For more information see <https://www.rma.usda.gov/news/stormdisaster.html>.

As part of its commitment to delivering excellent customer service, RMA is working closely with AIPs that sell and service crop insurance policies to ensure enough loss adjusters will be available to process claims in the affected areas as quickly as possible. M,

Conditions cause concern for High Plains corn producers



Courtesy photo

Drier conditions should allow corn producers to access fields for harvest soon. Wet conditions may impact grain quality, as corn is being tested closely for mycotoxin.

By Adam Russell

Texas A&M AgriLife Communications

COLLEGE STATION — Corn producers in the High Plains wait out wet weather and potentially problematic conditions as global commodity market conditions worsen for U.S. producers, according to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service experts.

Dr. Jourdan Bell, AgriLife Extension agronomist, Amarillo, said rain has been a complication for corn farmers in the region.

Significant rains have prevented producers from accessing fields, and wet conditions were slowing corn dry down in preparation for harvest. Rain has also led to high levels of fusarium, or ear rot, in corn. The state is also testing aggressively for the mycotoxin fumonisin, which can be deadly to animals, in those corn fields, she said.

"Fusarium is the mold that releases fumonisin mycotoxin, which is why there have been concerns about mycotoxins in High Plains corn," she said.

Dr. Mark Welch, AgriLife Extension state grain marketing economist, College Station, said the quality of the corn will determine whether corn from those fields can be consumed. Corn from those fields have historically provided feed for beef cattle in the region, but there is also demand from a growing dairy industry there.

"The mycotoxin tolerances established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture are lower for dairies than in beef, and they have to make sure the corn has low enough levels of mycotoxin to go to either," he said. "It's been so wet that there's widespread concern, but it's too early to say because there hasn't been a major harvest push because farmers can't access fields."

Welch said grain production overall was down, as producers switched to cotton. Texas corn acreage was down 400,000 acres to 2.1 million acres compared to 2.5 million acres in 2016.

Overall, Texas corn was on pace for a good year, he said. Earlier-planted fields in South Texas performed very well.

"Moisture was adequate and there wasn't excessive heat early," he said. "It looks to be a good corn year for most of the state."

Prices could still be problematic for producers, Welch said. Early problems in domestic corn — drought in the western Corn Belt and excessive rain in the eastern Corn Belt — meant low expectations, but USDA reports for October indicated those fields recovered.

International competition could add volatility to grain prices, he said. Argentina and Brazil have combined to export more corn than the U.S. over the last several years, and South American corn offers U.S. export customers an alternative source of supply given transportation costs, variable exchange rates and overall relations tied to trade agreements and international cooperation.

"The U.S. has long been the leader in the corn market," he said. "We are the world's No. 1 producer, user and exporter. But having Argentina and Brazil combine for such a big crop increases competition."

AgriLife Extension district reporters compiled the following summaries:

SOUTH PLAINS: Conditions remained dry with temperatures ranging from 35-90 degrees. Subsoil and topsoil

moisture levels remained adequate. Cotton bolls started to open, and harvest was expected to begin soon. Much-needed sun helped cotton to gain some days of fiber development after cold temperatures. Some dryland cotton acres were sprayed with harvest aids. One county had its first bales of cotton stripped and ginned. Sugarcane aphids were reported in area grain fields, and mycotoxin fumonisin was found in area corn fields. The warmer, drier temperatures allowed farmers to resume corn, sorghum, peanut and pea harvests. Winter wheat was planted and continued to mature. Rangelands and pastures remained in good condition.

PANHANDLE: Temperatures were slightly above average for most of the district. Some moisture was received and soil moisture was mostly adequate. Armstrong County rangelands were looking good. Cotton was taking moisture and cool weather hard, with many fields' bolls barely opening. Sorghum was maturing, but low yields were expected. Wheat was thriving, but there were still many acres left to plant. Corn producers were just now starting back to harvest, but mycotoxin levels were a concern at area elevators.

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Bayer Signs Agreement to Sell Selected Crop Science Businesses, Including Cotton, to BASF

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In light of the planned acquisition of Monsanto, Bayer has signed an agreement to sell selected Crop Science businesses to BASF for EUR 5.9 billion (~\$7 billion USD). The assets to be sold generated net sales of approximately EUR 1.3 billion in 2016. "We are taking an active approach to address potential regulatory concerns, with the goal of facilitating a successful close of the Monsanto transaction," explained Werner Baumann, Chairman of the Board of Management of Bayer AG. "At the same time, we are pleased that, in BASF, we have found a strong buyer for our businesses that will continue to serve the needs of growers and offer our employees long-term prospects." The transaction is subject to regulatory approvals as well as the successful closing of Bayer's acquisition of Monsanto.

The assets to be sold include Bayer's global glufosinate-ammonium business and the related LibertyLink™ technology for herbicide tolerance, essentially all of the company's field crop seeds businesses, as well as respective research and development capabilities. The seeds businesses being divested include the global cotton seed business (excluding India and South Africa), the North American and European canola seed businesses and the soybean seed business. The transaction includes the transfer of relevant intellectual property and facilities, as well as more than 1,800 employees primarily in the United States, Germany, Brazil, Canada and

Belgium. As part of the agreement, BASF has committed to maintain all permanent positions, under similar conditions, for at least three years after closing of the transaction.

"We are very grateful to our employees, who have played a key role in the success of these businesses over the years," said Baumann. "At the same time, we are aware of the need to address certain overlaps in the combined product portfolio of Bayer and Monsanto." Bayer continues to work diligently with the relevant authorities with the aim of closing the planned acquisition of Monsanto by early 2018.

"With this acquisition, we are seizing the opportunity to purchase highly attractive assets in key row crops and markets. We look forward to growing these innovative and profitable businesses and to welcoming the experienced and dedicated team in crop protection, seeds and traits. These businesses are an excellent match for BASF Group's portfolio," said Dr. Kurt Bock, Chairman of the Board of Executive Directors of BASF SE.

"I am very pleased that, in BASF, Bayer has selected an

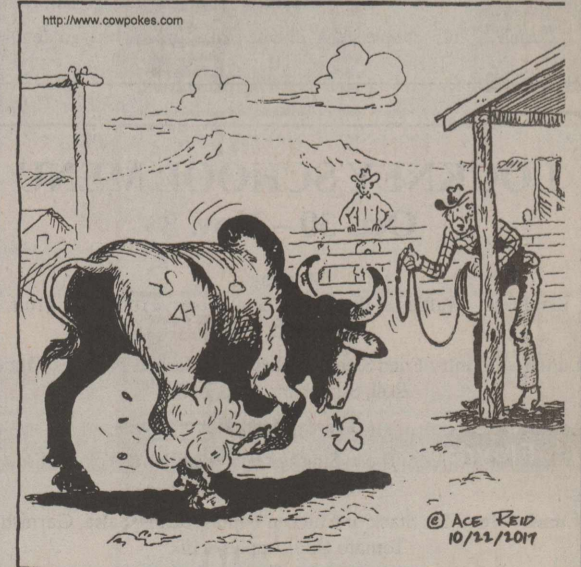
acquirer that, like our company, attaches a great deal of importance to social partnership and values its employees. I welcome the fact that BASF has committed to offering comparable employment conditions for our colleagues," said Oliver Zühlke, Chairman of the Bayer Central Works Council.

Bayer will continue to own, operate and maintain these businesses until the closing of this divestiture. After the closure of the planned Monsanto acquisition, Bayer will continue to be active in these same areas as a result of Monsanto's current programs, products and offerings.

The base purchase price of EUR 5.9 billion excludes the value of any net working capital and will be subject to customary adjustments at closing, including the value of any inventories transferred to BASF. Bayer will use net proceeds from the announced divestiture to partially refinance the planned acquisition of Monsanto. Bayer will provide an update on the total expected synergies from the Monsanto acquisition latest upon closing of the transaction.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Floydada band advances



Courtesy photos
The FHS Whirlwind Band competed in the UIL Marching Contest at Lowrey Field in Lubbock on Saturday, Oct. 21 and received all "One's". They advance to area competition which will also be in Lubbock at Lowrey Field on Saturday, Oct. 28.

Whirlwinds stumble against New Deal

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA – Floydada held the New Deal Lions to their lowest point total all year but were unable to capitalize on three New Deal turnovers as the Lions defeated the Whirlwinds 21-0 in District 2-2A-D1 action on Oct. 20.

New Deal scored their first touchdown of the night with 7:31 left in the first quarter when Jett Whitfield hit Dylan Jerden for a seven-yard touchdown pass to give the Lions a 6-0 lead.

In the second quarter, Nehemiah Martinez scored from 10 yards out with 10:17 left in the half and after the two-point conversion, the Lions led 14-0 at the half.

Late in the third quarter, DK Blaylock sprinted to the end zone from 54 yards out to give the Lions a 21-0 lead after three quarters.

Neither team managed to score in the fourth quarter,

so the Lions claimed their second District 2-2A-D1 victory.

"The key to the game was when we failed to score on two consecutive drives into New Deal territory in the third quarter," Head Coach Todd Bandy said. "Our kids played until the very end of the game. We were able to limit New Deal to their lowest point total of the year."

Offensively, Floydada had only 157 yards of total offense including nine yards passing and 148 yards rushing. New Deal had 260 yards of total offense including nine yards passing and 251 yards on the ground.

Individually for Floydada, Andrew Vega was 1-16 passing for nine yards. Rosendo Reyna carried 31 times for 84 yards, Jose Lira carried five times for 35 yards, Vega carried six times for 15 yards, Gerry Reyes had one carry for eight yards, Cutter Smith had one carry for five yards and Miguel Pena had one

carry for one yard. Reyes had one reception for nine yards.

Individually for New Deal, Marino Ramirez was 1-1 passing for five yards and Whitfield was 3-7 passing for four yards and a touchdown. Martinez had 17 carries for 80 yards and a touchdown, Whitfield had 11 carries for 76 yards, Blaylock had two carries for 64 yards and a touchdown, David Morgan had five carries for 14 yards, Brandon Hernandez had one carry for 13 yards and Brandon Coronado had one carry for four yards.

Floydada falls to 3-4 on the year and 1-1 in District while New Deal improves to 7-0 on the year and 2-0 in District. Around the District, Abernathy (7-0, 2-0) defeated Olton (3-4, 0-2) 55-28 and Sundown (6-1, 1-1) defeated Hale Center (5-2, 0-2) 47-18.

This week, Floydada travels to Abernathy, New Deal hosts Hale Center and Olton travels to Sundown.

Longhorns blown away by Cyclones

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Lockney fell to the Memphis Cyclones 60-14 in a District 2-2A-D2 battle. The Longhorns are now 1-6 overall and 0-2 in District. The Cyclones are 4-3 overall and 1-1 in District.

Memphis jumped out to an early lead when Genaro Cenicerros found Clifford Byrd for a 42-yard touchdown pass to take a 6-0 lead with 8:15 left in the first quarter.

In the second quarter, Andrew Alexander scored on a 28-yard touchdown run with 8:42 left in the half to give the Cyclones a 14-0 lead. Tim Anderson added a 10-yard touchdown run with 7:47 left in the half as Memphis took a 21-0 lead. Lockney put their first points on the board with a one-yard touchdown run from Noel Cenicerros to make it 21-7 in favor of Memphis with 7:29 left in the second quarter. With 3:32 left in the half, Alexander scored on a two-yard run to make it 28-7 for Memphis. G. Cenicerros found Byrd open for a 39-yard touchdown pass with 1:14 left in the half and giving the Cyclones a 34-7 lead at the half.

Memphis added 20 more points in the third quarter. With 9:06 left in the third, Alexander scored his third touchdown with a four-yard run to make it 40-7. Lockney scored their final points of the night when Ruben Marmolejo connected with Israel Cuellar for a 52-yard touchdown pass with 8:09 left in the quarter and Memphis holding a 40-14 lead. The Cyclones added to their lead when Anderson scored from 55 yards out with 7:40 left in the quarter making it 47-14. Anderson scored his third touchdown run of the night with a 26-yard run with 6:19 left in the quarter, giving Memphis a 54-14 lead after three quarters.

In the fourth quarter, G. Cenicerros scored on a six-yard touchdown run with 7:25 left in the game. Memphis led 60-14 and would take home the District 2-2A-D2 victory.

Offensively, Lockney only had 92 total yards including 96 yards passing and -4 yards rushing. Memphis had 507 total yards including 142 yards passing and 365 rushing.

Individually for Lockney, Marmolejo was 5-22 passing for 95 yards and a touchdown and Chris Emert was 3-8 for one yard. N. Cenicerros carried eight times for 13 yards, Israel Cuellar had one carry for minus two yards, Marmolejo had seven carries for minus seven yards and Emert had five carries for minus eight yards. Cuellar had three catches for 49 yards and a touchdown, Emert had one catch for 21 yards, Bryson Walker had two catches for 15 yards and Shawn Marquez had two catches for 11 yards.

Individually for Memphis, G. Cenicerros was 7-15 passing for 142 yards and two touchdowns. Anderson had 16 carries for 186 yards and three touchdowns, Alexander had 16 carries for 156 yards and three touchdowns, G. Cenicerros had seven carries for 11 yards, Byrd had one carry for 10 yards, Jax Ferrel had one carry for minus three yards. Byrd had four catches for 100 yards and two touchdowns and DaRay Odhams had two catches for 42 yards.

In other District games, Clarendon (7-0, 2-0) defeated Crosbyton (4-3, 1-1) and Wellington (6-1, 2-0) defeated Ralls (3-4, 0-2) 60-7.

This week, Lockney travels to Wellington, Ralls travels to Clarendon and Memphis hosts Crosbyton.

Wellington and Clarendon are 2-0 in district, Memphis and Crosbyton are 1-1 and Ralls and Lockney are 0-2.

FISD staff students of month

Courtesy photo

The Floydada ISD Board met on Tuesday, Oct. 17 and recognized the following students and staff for their efforts to make education the best it can be. Each month the staff selects students that exemplify education at its best and those students are recognized at the monthly school board meeting. The elementary students recognized were Alyse Mendoza and Jeremiah Herrera, both 5th graders at A.B. Duncan Elementary. The Junior High student of the month was Devin Reyes who is in the 7th grade at Floydada Junior High. Cardell Wickware, a junior, was the Floydada High School student recognized. The elementary educator selected this month was Elizabeth Bertrand who teaches 6th grade Math at A.B. Duncan Elementary. The secondary employee of the month was Cody Liles, who teaches 8th grade ELA at Floydada Junior High. Congratulations to each of these students and employees and thank you for your hard work.



FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU October 30 – November 3

Monday

Breakfast – Morning sausage roll, cereal, fresh fruit selection, milk

Lunch – Popcorn chicken w/ roll, crispy corn dog, crispy cut fries, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast – Cinnamon Toast Crunch, graham crackers, fresh fruit, milk

Lunch – Beef ravioli w/roll & cracker, hamburger, buttered green beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast – Whole grain apple frudel, cereal, fresh fruit, milk

Lunch – Savory meatball sub, classic pepperoni pizza, crispy tater tots, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Thursday

Breakfast – Breakfast sausage & cheese pizza, cereal, fresh fruit, milk

Lunch – Layered cheesy beef lasagna, turkey hot dog, yellow corn, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Friday

Breakfast – Banana loaf, cereal, fresh fruit, milk

Lunch – Philly cheese steak, cheese pizza, green peas, golden tater tots, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU Oct. 30 – Nov. 3

Monday

Breakfast – Waffles & Bacon or Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch – Country Fried Steak or Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Okra, Roll, Strawberry Cup, Milk

Tuesday, Oct. 31

Breakfast – Cheesy Toast, Sausage or Cereal Bar & Yogurt, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch – Tex-Mex Stack or Chicken Fajitas, Beans, Salsa, Garnish, Tomato Cup, Apples, Milk

Wednesday, Nov. 1

Breakfast – Breakfast Pizza or Cereal & Toast, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch – Chicken Sandwich & Fries or X-treme Burrito & Corn, Veggie Cup, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, Nov. 2

Breakfast – Sausage, Egg & Cheese Sandwich or PBJ, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch – Asian Bowl & Eggroll or Salisbury Steak, Biscuit, Gravy Potatoes, Salad, Fruity Gelatin, Milk

Friday, Nov. 3

Breakfast – Biscuit, Gravy, Scrambled Eggs or Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch – Pizza Choice or Ham & Cheese, Baby Carrots, Broccoli, Salad, Fresh Fruit, Brownie, Milk

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Lockney Junior High football



Madie Wilson/Red River Sun
Lockney Junior High football team traveled to Memphis to play last Thursday, October 19th. The Shorthorns came away with a victory by a score of 33-0 over the Memphis Junior High team.



AREA TEAMS WRAPUP & SCHEDULES

DISTRICT 2-2A-1

Week 8 Results
 NEW DEAL 21, FLOYDADA 0
 ABERNATHY 55, OLTON 28
 SUNDOWN 47, HALE CENTER 18

District 2-2A-1	OVERALL		DISTRICT	
	W	L	W	L
Abernathy	7	0	2	0
New Deal	7	0	2	0
Floydada	3	4	1	1
Sundown	6	1	1	1
Hale Center	5	2	0	2
Olton	3	4	0	2

Week 9 Schedule

FLOYDADA at ABERNATHY
 HALE CENTER at NEW DEAL
 OLTON AT SUNDOWN

AREA TEAMS

Week 8 Schedule
 Amarillo (4-3, 4-0) 42, PLAINVIEW (2-5, 1-3) 18
 SILVERTON (4-2) - OPEN
 VALLEY (6-1) 93, Lubbock Home School 44
 MOTLEY COUNTY (5-2) - OPEN
 PATTON SPRINGS (0-4) - OPEN
 PETERSBURG (3-3) 60, Spur (3-4) 12
 LORENZO (6-1) - OPEN
 PLAINVIEW CHRISTIAN (3-5) 70, WF Notre Dame 36

DISTRICT 2-2A-2

Week 8 Results
 MEMPHIS 60, LOCKNEY 14
 CLARENDON 41, CROSBYTON 0
 WELLINGTON 60, RALLS 7

District 2-2A-2	OVERALL		DISTRICT	
	W	L	W	L
Clarendon	7	0	2	0
Wellington	6	1	2	0
Crosbyton	4	3	1	1
Memphis	4	3	1	1
Ralls	3	4	0	2
Lockney	1	6	0	2

Week 9 Schedule

LOCKNEY at WELLINGTON
 CROSBYTON at MEMPHIS
 RALLS at CLARENDON

AREA TEAMS

Week 9 Schedule
 PLAINVIEW (2-5, 1-3) vs Caprock (3-4, 1-3)
 SILVERTON (4-2) vs VALLEY (6-1)
 MOTLEY COUNTY (5-2) vs PETERSBURG (3-3)
 PATTON SPRINGS (0-4) at Jayton (4-3)
 LORENZO (6-1) vs New Home (3-4)
 PLAINVIEW CHRISTIAN (3-5) vs Lubbock Kingdom Prep

TIMES

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the balance. Robbie and Rhonda were called to come. Then for some reason—just maybe God's hand the anyresaum sealed off and surgery was postponed. Jo recovered to a certain extent, but has not been totally her efficient, organized self again.

Jack gave himself 100% to the Lord's work, one Sunday night, after preaching at Roaring Springs that morning, God called him home. He left this earth from the little brick house in Floydada, that he and Jo had bought for their retirement. And we know that today as he walks the streets of Glory—he is using his favorite phrase—This is really living! That's what Jack did, he lived large in every moment! Jo remains in Floydada.

Maybe we need in our lives to live everyday to the full. Time is short, and we need to make our time count. I remember sending my brother James Bradley a text recently and asking my siblings He, Mary, Wes, and Wynelle, to come and visit. My statement was, "We don't have much time."

That's what I'm saying to you today, "Time is short, there is work to be done, there is fellowship to be gained, we don't need to waste a second."

Isaiah 50:4b Morning by morning the Lord God awakens me and opens my understanding to his will.

Isaiah 55:3 Come to me with your ears wide open. Listen for the life of your soul is at stake. I am ready to make a lasting covenant with you. I will give you unfailing mercies and love.

The time we spend with God is never wasted. It sharpens us to move among the brethren and help them grow and live daily lives that are victorious in him. That's really living!

That's all I'm gonna say about that. Today you are accountable for how you spend your time. Lives are at stake. Times of happiness and joy are at stake, fellowship with family and friends will not last forever—Time is short! Don't be lazy. Today is what you have—maybe!



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- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors. Since masks can sometimes obstruct a child's vision, try non-toxic face paint and makeup whenever possible.

- Have kids use glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.

- Children under the age of 12 should not be alone at night without adult supervision. If kids are mature enough to be out without supervision, remind them to stick to familiar areas that are well lit and trick-or-treat in groups.

- Popular trick-or-treating hours are 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. so be especially alert for kids during those hours.

- When selecting a costume make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls.

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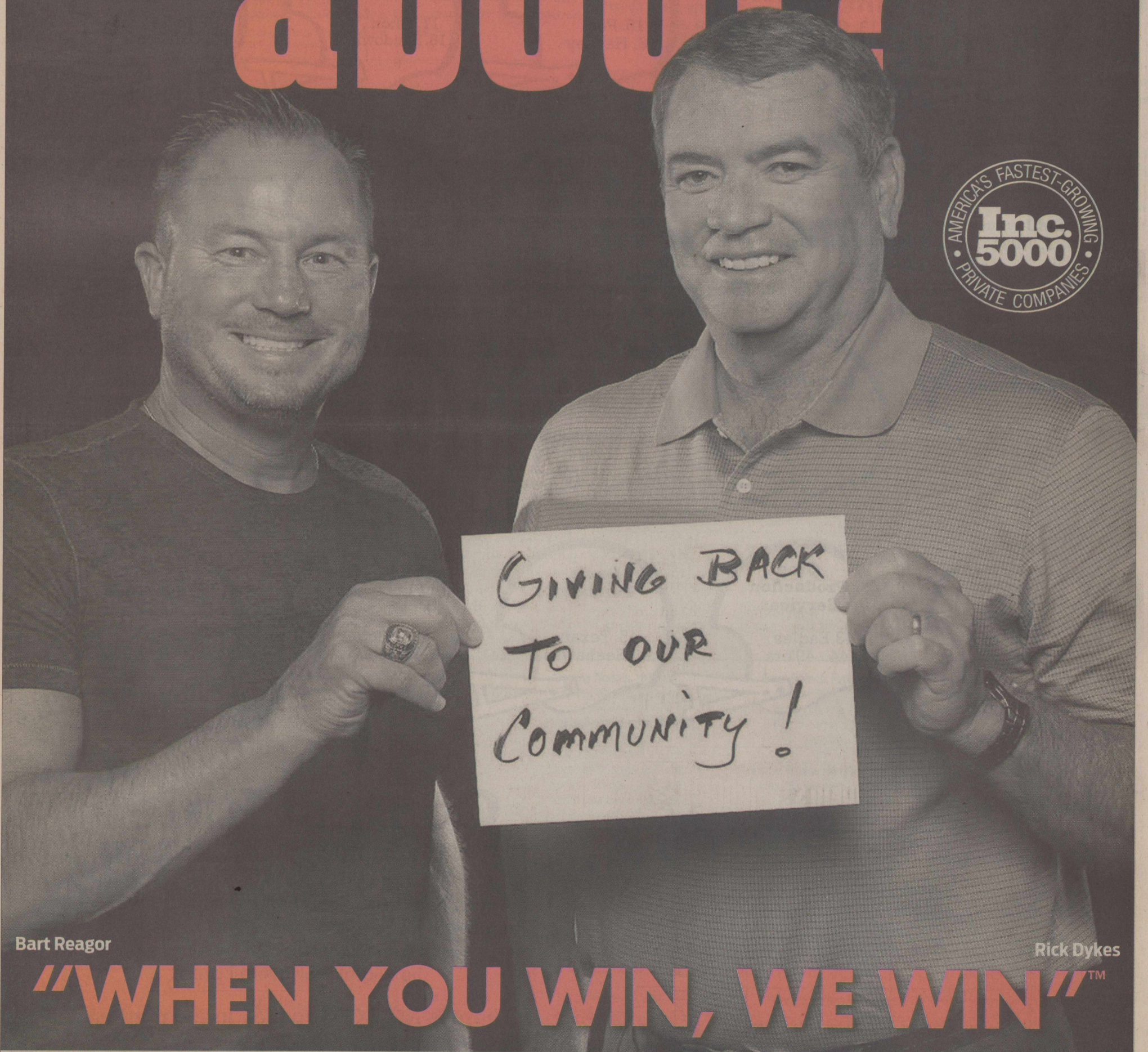
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Pet Talk: Dogs can help with disabilities

Dogs can be incredibly smart and comforting animals. While most dog owners depend on their dog for emotional support and companionship, others look to dogs for assistance with disabilities, such as blindness or hearing loss.

Service dogs are specially trained to assist with many types of disabilities. As defined by the American Disabilities Act, a service dog is any dog assisting a person with a disability and the animal must be trained to do a task for the person. Because service dogs are so highly trained, they are allowed to go in many public places, such as restaurants, buses, bathrooms, and even on school and university campuses.

On the other hand, therapy dogs are not considered a service dog by law—nonetheless they still help people. Therapy dogs are trained to provide comfort and affection to people and are

often used in caring facilities such as hospitals and nursing homes. While therapy dogs certainly require training to behave in public, service dogs are known for their incredible obedience and multi-step training programs that help shape them into the perfect assistance dog.

"Service dogs have to learn that even though a person who is blind told them to go through a door, they should not go if there is a hazard that could injure their owner," said Dr. Alice Blue-McLendon, clinical assistant professor and faculty advisor for the Aggie Guide Dogs and Service Dogs (AGS) student group at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences.

"The dog disobeying the owner to prevent injury is called 'intelligent disobedience.' If a blind person tells the dog to step off the curb because they want to cross the street, but the dog

sees a car coming, the dog has to refuse to go. This high-level training makes service dogs unique from other dogs, including therapy dogs."

How does the process for training a service dog begin? According to Blue-McLendon, phase one training begins in puppyhood. Puppies learn basic obedience in phase one training and are gradually exposed to working in public places. Once the puppy completes phase one training, the puppy is sent to complete phase two training at a professional service dog organization. Overall, training lasts until the dog is at least two years old.

The puppies are trained using positive reinforcement through treats or clickers. Students in the AGS program at Texas A&M raise puppies that are typically Labrador retrievers or Labradoodles—a mixed breed of Lab-

rador retriever and poodle. These breeds have been the most successful in the training programs to become a service dog.

"We usually raise the puppies until they're about 18 months of age," Blue-McLendon said. "The students house train, potty train, and socialize the puppies, and then we donate them to organizations, such as Guide Dogs for the Blind, that provide phase two training for them to become full-fledged service dogs."

In phase two training, the dogs are evaluated for performance and obedience to determine which specific disabilities they are most suited to help with. For instance, a tall and obedient dog may be trained to reach objects off a high counter for people in wheelchairs. However, not every dog that completes phase one training graduates from phase two training. Some dogs that do not pass phase two training are repurposed as therapy dogs or

are kept as well-trained pets.

Service dogs that have graduated from training, and are state and nationally recognized, are unique from normal pet dogs. Dogs that have not been professionally trained and are not registered as a service dog should not be taken into public, even if the dog owner has self-registered their dog as a service dog online. Internet programs that allow dog owners to register and purchase a service dog vest do not require the dog to receive the extensive training necessary to be considered completely safe in a public place. While Blue-McLendon agreed that most dogs provide some sort of emotional support, dogs who are not registered [trained] service dogs should not be taken into public places for safety reasons.

"Self-training your dog as an emotional support dog does not make them a true service dog,"

Blue-McLendon said. "This can be a problem because some self-trained emotional support dogs may not be properly trained to be in public. Service dogs have to be extremely obedient, 100 percent potty trained, and have excellent obedience. If you're asking a dog to be in public, it needs to be well trained."

Adopting and training a service dog can be a rewarding experience. Through the AGS program, many students have felt inspired to pursue a career working with service dogs or to continue raising service dog puppies even after graduating from Texas A&M. Many organizations that train service dogs are open to volunteers who want to adopt and begin training a puppy. Blue-McLendon encourages those who are interested in raising a service dog to do their research on the requirements for different organizations before volunteering.

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