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Lockney chamber honors year's best



Lucy Dean Record
Lifetime Achievement Award

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

At its annual banquet, the Lockney Chamber of Commerce presented awards for the Business of the Year, the Citizen of the Year, the Fireman of the Year and Lifetime Achievement.

Cynthia Bybee, owner of Heart's Desire, was honored with the 2017 Business of the Year award.

Abel Luna was selected as Fireman of the Year from the Lockney Volunteer Fire De-



Cynthia Bybee
Heart's Desire 2017 Business of the Year

partment. In recognizing Luna, Justin Wright introduced him and said that during a horrible grain auger accident with a man who could not speak English well, Luna stayed right with him and spoke to him as he came in and out of consciousness. He was a hero that day.

Ricky Carstensen, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, received the 2017 Citizen of the Year award. His nomination noted the hours he had devoted in community service since moving his family to Lockney in 2008.

The Chamber honored Lucy Dean Record



Ricky Carstensen
2017 Citizen of the Year

with a lifetime achievement award. Her children and their spouses surprised her by being a part of the celebration. At 93 years old, Record has been playing and teaching music for decades in Lockney and is still quite active in the community and plays the piano at many performances throughout the area.

The theme of the Chamber banquet was "music through the decades" and started with the '20s. Zelda Ellison played a few Charleston numbers to represent the '20s. Robyn Stevenson sang Somewhere Over the Rainbow for the



Abel Luna
2017 Fireman of the Year

'30s and I'll be Seeing You for the '40s. Roxanne Martin sang Crazy and her daughter, Madison Hennagan sang Stupid Cupid for the 50s. Zelda Ellison played "the last date" by Floyd Cramer for the '60s. Zelda sang "Tie A Yellow Ribbon Around The Old Oak Tree" for the '70s.

Emcee for the evening was Brent Barker. The American Legion Post 141 did the flag presentation. Moses Blanco, pastor of Iglesia Bautista Templo Salem did the invocation and Reverend Eric Petty, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, did the benediction.

O'Rourke brings grassroots campaign to Floydada



Kay Ellington/The Hesperian-Beacon

Democratic candidate for U.S. Senate, Beto O'Rourke held a town hall meeting Sunday at the Massie Activity Center in Floydada.

By Kay Ellington
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A former Lockney ISD softball and track coach, Ray Jimenez, was being held Friday in Garza County Jail on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

His victim, Misty Cochran, was taken to Mangold Memorial Hospital and then transferred to University Medical Center in Lubbock where she was in stable condition.

According to the Floyd

County Sheriff's Department, Jimenez, 49, and Cochran had a verbal argument at the woman's residence in Floydada Wednesday morning. Jimenez had already left that scene when officers arrived.

Later that morning, at 9:08 a.m., Cochran was attacked inside her workplace, the Lockney Health and Rehabilitation Center at 401 N. Main St. in Lockney. Sheriff's deputies say Jimenez entered the nursing home through a back door

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Ward introduced as Horns new Head Football Coach

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Stacy Ward, a Plainview native and long-time Offensive Coordinator, has accepted the job as the new Athletic Director and Head Football Coach for the Lockney Longhorns.

Ward, a 20-year coaching veteran, has been the Offensive Coordinator under Coach Bryan Welps since 2005 when they teamed up at River Road then in 2012 they went to Brownfield and last year returned to River Road. Ward has also coached at Amarillo Palo Duro, Hereford, Wellington and Hale Center.

Ward and his wife, Jill, have two daughters and are looking forward to being close to home again.



Courtesy Photo

Stacy Ward and his wife, Jill and their two girls. Ward is the new Athletic Director and Head Football Coach for the Lockney Longhorns.

Bruington named Winds Head Football Coach

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Scotty Bruington, current Offensive Coordinator and Head Baseball Coach, has been named the new Head Football Coach for the Floydada Whirlwinds.

Bruington replaces Todd Bandy who is stepping down to be just the Athletic Director after nine years as Head Football Coach.

Bruington has been in coaching for 27 years and finally fulfills a desire to be the Head Football Coach. He's from Petersburg and is looking forward to being the man in charge of the Whirlwinds.



Courtesy Photo

Scotty Bruington, new Head Football Coach for the Floydada Whirlwinds.

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.

LOCKNEY ELEMENTARY

Lockney Elementary students will be performing their annual movement program Movin' and Groovin' on Tuesday, April 17 at 6:30 pm in the high school gym. This includes grades Pre K through 5th. You all come out for a fun filled evening.

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Correction

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

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Death notices are free, containing name, date of death, date of service and survivors.

Early voting begins April 23 for May 5 elections

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

Early voting for the city council races for either Lockney or Floydada, or the school board race in Lockney begins April 23.

Candidates running in Floydada's contested council races includes Ismael Vega, Jr. who has filed to run for the District 4 position now held by Gail DuBois.

The other Floydada contested races are the at-large positions which has three candidates running for two positions. Those candidates are incumbent Cory Speed

and challengers Tanner Battey and Gabriel de la Fuente.

District 1 councilwoman Bettye King is running unopposed.

In Lockney, the mayor's race has three candidates. Michael DeLeon will be running against incumbent Archie Jones and another challenger Joe Smith.

District 4 will have also have a contested race-- Loren Lee St. Dennis has filed to run against David Cole in District 4.

District 5 incumbent Tyler Duniven has filed once more, and he is running unopposed.

The Lockney Independent School District has only one contested race for school board. Melinda Morales has filed to run in place 2, currently occupied by Mike Lass.

In Place 2 Charles Keaton is unopposed. Both positions serve for three years.

For the Floydada Independent School District the District 1 position currently held by Roger Hughes and the District 2 position currently held by Dr. William Dean drew no opponents, so FISO will not hold a school board election this year.

The election will be held Saturday, May 5.

The 501: Pardoning laptop thieves

Up against a deadline and too sleepy to write. Does it get any worse? Yes. Things can always get worse.



HANABA MUNN WELCH

Throw in the disappearance of a computer. Make it theft. It happened to me.

No, I wasn't certain my laptop had been stolen. But how else could it have vanished? I still had the bag. Just no computer.

Who could have taken it?

I thought back over the day and my trip to a relative's distant funeral

and back. Thow in a soccer game. Long day.

I chastised myself for leaving my car unlocked at the cemetery. I'd even left the keys on the seat. Surely nobody in the graveside crowd would have reached in and taken my little laptop - not even the affable in-law who shared with me fond memories of his Prohibition-era bootlegger grandfather. Especially not him. He was too busy being honest about his dear grandpa who'd fled the law in Texas and landed in Oklahoma. All the other kinfolk and friends of the deceased looked nice and respectable. No prison tattoos.

So maybe a gravedigger had been lurking behind a tree when I parked my car, specifically behind a "mournful cypress" like in the hymn? He might have known the graveside rites would last a while when he saw Eastern Star ladies assemble for their ritual. He could have easily walked by my car and deftly latched onto the laptop. But

how did he know where to reach? Had I left the bag unzipped? Could he see it?

These wild suspicions raced through my mind as I considered all possibilities. Three times I looked into the bag. It really was empty.

I quickly fleshed out the gravedigger scenario. If he was so good at stealing stuff, how could he still have his job? It didn't make sense, but still I envisioned him reaching into my car, grabbing the computer from the case, tucking it under his jacket and then stashing it behind a nearby gravestone for retrieval later - maybe in gathering darkness after he purposely took a long time to fill in my relative's grave.

Sometimes I think I have a criminal mind myself.

Apologies to all gravediggers, including that shady one I invented. I found the computer.

Where? Under a pillow on my bed. Apparently I removed the laptop from its case and laid it there, an action so automatic it didn't register in my memory. That's my excuse. As for the pillow, I just happened to toss it right onto the computer. Good for me.

Nothing beats seeing one corner of your missing laptop peeking out from under a pillow.

Except maybe feeling the warmth rush into your heart when you pardon a whole set of people even though they weren't guilty in the first place, including a make-believe gravedigger and a real bootlegger's grandson. Phooey. If I could, I'd pardon that dead bootlegger.

If he'd stayed in Texas, that's what Gov. Ma Ferguson would have done.

Ma must have felt good all the time.

The Paperboy Get busy living, or get busy dying

Your local elected officials deserve better from our citizens. Furthermore, we need to get on the same page and begin transforming our towns into something better.

Most of the elected positions in our local governments are volunteers or receive very few perks. The vast majority of the individuals in those positions are very good people. More than that, they genuinely care about their communities.

It's very rare we have criminals serving in these positions. That's why when such things occur, it makes news.

If we can all agree on the above, I pose the following question: Why attack them on social media?

Personal attacks on local elected officials on Facebook or anywhere else is not constructive, it is destructive.

In the old days, we'd pick up the phone or go visit with a person when we had a disagreement. Things got worked out.

Today, people get blasted on Facebook and animosity starts building.

Our local elected officials sacrifice hours. Everybody claims they are the busiest person, but how many of us are willing to sacrifice the amount of time needed to hold a position on the school board, hospital board, county commission or city council?

One other thing regarding social media and our local people: Let's bring respect back into our communities. We need to be supporting of each other. If you're interested in your local governments, get to know the people on them. Give them your opinion and make sure you have your facts straight and not going off of the information you obtained on social media. Trust me, social media is often wrong.

We live in a time of great anger. Most of that anger, at least I hope this is the case, is focused in Washington. Let's keep it there.

Locally, your friends and relatives serve in these positions. We can certainly act in a neighborly fashion and begin building relationships instead of dividing our communities.

You may or may not want to read this, but we are all we have. We are our communities. There is no magical person riding on a white horse to come and save us. We are in this together, for better or worse. We are an old couple who is too ugly for anyone else to love and too grumpy to even be around for five minutes. Just kidding about that last part, but you get the idea. Rural America is more or less on an island and we need to be in survival mode!

Do you want a new downtown? Get on the same page, organize, and get after it.

Do you need a community center? Do you need a new activity center? Find a good grant writer in your community and find a way to get it done.

These is a reason we live in small towns and if we want to maintain or improve this lifestyle, it's time to come together, get on the same page, and scratch and claw our way to a new tomorrow. I don't see that we have a choice in the matter, do you?

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Communities in schools of the South Plains 10th Annual Peace Love Mud & Volleyball Tournament

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Lubbock, Texas - Communities In Schools (CIS) of the South Plains will host the 10th Annual Communities In Schools of the South Plains Peace Love & Mud Volleyball Tournament on Saturday, May 12, 2018, at 130th and University, Lubbock, Texas. (Next to A-Plus Storage) Mud Volleyball is a high octane, fun-filled, mud sport that is the premiere event of its kind in this area. In years past 120 eight-to-twelve player co-ed teams and roughly

500 spectators came out for some fun in the sun! Mud Volleyball offers Communities In Schools the ideal platform to raise awareness about the drop out issue impacting this region and the steps CIS of the South Plains takes to remedy the problem.

The first games begins at 9:00am and will end around 5:00pm

Spectators can enjoy food trucks and watching the fun for a \$5.00 entrance fee. (Ages 12 and up allowed in)

Teams can register until

April 27th, 2018. (\$400 per team, 8-12 players)

Event information available at: www.cissouthplains.org/mud-volleyball or by contacting the CIS of the South Plains office at: 806-368-8090. Don't miss out! Come surf the muddy wave of fun with us!

Founded in 1999, it is Communities In Schools of the South Plains' objective to "empower students to achieve in life." For 15 years the agency has fulfilled this objective resulting in more than 35,000 students receiving life-al-

tering services. The efforts of CIS making a difference in the lives of students and families is well-documented and plays out in 16 school districts and on 56 campuses where CIS operates in the Lubbock, the greater Lubbock, and the rural communities. The dropout issue is a community issue, and your sponsorship will go far in supporting CIS in its efforts to support and empower students to stay in school.

All proceeds to benefit CIS student dropout prevention initiatives.

Letter to the editor

Dear Editor,

Just guessing here that someone didn't like the Methodist Church fence and the city council is going to do what: make them tear it down because it is not in compliance with code. Since when does obeying code have anything to do with anything? There are 100's of code violations in this town every day and nothing is done about it. It is a code violation to park in your front yard, have old appliances, couches, tires and whatever on your front porch. It is unsightly and also a breeding ground for rodents and roaches.

Concerning the billboard policy, what year did that go into effect? Because for more years than I recall there is a huge billboard across the highway from the Dairy Queen. I don't care one way or the other about the billboard. It couldn't look any worse than some of the other things on the highways through Floydada.

As for the city manager promoting economic development, I thought that was what the EDC Manager was supposed to be doing. Still not clear on why we need an EDC.

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SEND US YOUR NEWS!!

Celebrate National Arbor Day by planting trees

Receive 10 Free Shade Trees by Joining the Arbor Day Foundation

National Arbor Day is Friday, April 27, this year, and the Arbor Day Foundation is making it easy for anyone to celebrate the annual tree-planting holiday. Join the Foundation in April and receive 10 free shade trees.

By joining the Foundation

in April, new members receive the following trees: red oak, sugar maple, weeping willow, baldcypress, thornless honeylocust, pin oak, river birch, tuliptree, silver maple, and red maple.

The free trees are part of the Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

"These trees provide shade in the summer and vibrant colors throughout

the fall," said Matt Harris, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. "Through the simple act of planting trees, one person can make a difference in helping to create a healthier and more beautiful planet for all of us to enjoy."

The trees will be shipped postpaid with enclosed planting instructions at the right time for planting in

April or May. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE SHADE TREES, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by April 30, 2018, or visit arborday.org/april.

SOCIETY

Museum Archives

FLOYD COUNTY HISTORY FROM MEMORIES 1979

GEORGE THOMAS ASSITER

George Thomas Assiter was a native of Lee County, Texas. His father, John Assiter, came to America in 1855 from England when he was twelve years old. His mother, Mary Lowry, was born in Alabama. He married Miss Dulon Gresham in Thornedale, Texas, on February 28, 1894. Miss Gresham's father, G. W. Gresham, was born November 12, 1846, and died August 11, 1894. Her mother, Ira A. Gresham, was born November 24, 1851, and died February 17, 1901. George Thomas's parents, John and Mary Assiter, lived in the Starkey Community until their deaths.

Mr. and Mrs. George Thomas Assiter came to Floyd County in September of 1907 from Jones County. Traveling with them were their four children, Ellwood, 12; twin daughters Mamie and Myrtle, 9; Harvey, 7, Mr. Assiter's brother Henry; and his parents, John and Mary. They came in three wagons and a hack, bringing everything they owned, including a herd of cattle and horses. Mr. Assiter would not travel on Sunday, so they would rest

wherever they were on Sunday. They settled 12 miles south of Floydada near the Crosby County line. Their daughter, Georgia Lee, and son L. V. were born there. Mr. Assiter was one of the first exponents of cotton as a crop suited to the land and climate of the south plains. He built the first cotton gin at McCoy. He also operated a gin at Estacado in Crosby County. The Assiters were charter members of the Cone Methodist Church. They moved to Floydada in 1921. When G. T. died in 1950, and Dulon in 1951, they had 15 grandchildren.

Their son, Elwood and his wife Annie George, lived on the home place. Mamie, and her husband, John R. Gray, operated the McCoy Gin, and later Scott Gin in Floydada. Myrtle, and her husband, Luke Sargent, farmed a few miles north. Their son, Harvey was a cotton buyer, married Mildred Alford and lived in Lubbock. Georgia Lee married Olin Bryant, and they farmed several miles west of the home place in the Starkey Community. Their youngest son, L. V. married Addie A. Barker. He is an architect and

lives near Chicago, Illinois. Grandchildren are George Elwood Assiter of Lubbock, Tommy Ray Assiter of Floydada, Teddy Earl Assiter of El Paso, Mrs. L. T. Hickerson (Wanda) of Floydada, Mrs. Leiand (Almeda) Woodward of Graham, Miss Dulan Sargent of Clearlake Highlands, California, Mrs. Dick (Iona) Thornton of Lubbock, Mrs. E. C. (Myrtis) Cope of Sobol, Oklahoma, Mrs. Bill (Darlene) Fulton of Floydada, Mrs. Ronnie (Amy) Russell of Plano, Mrs. Alice Gaither of Fort

Worth, Stephen H. Assiter of Weatherford, Mrs. Tommy (Sandra) Shaw of McKinney and Stephen L. Assiter of Libertyville, Illinois. One granddaughter, Frances Nell Gray died at birth. There are now 22 great-grandchildren and 9 great-great grandchildren. Of the two things I value most that belonged to my grandparents, one is a small calendar dated 1894 on which my grandmother had written "given to my by Tommie before we were married" and their family Bible which both read faithfully.



About Town . . .

By: Deon Fincher

The clock read 11:17... p.m. Needless to say, I had been in bed for hours, sleeping soundly. And yet, that telephone ringer brought me to immediate-attention mode. My phone read, "Avery"—my California-residing daughter. "Mom! Have you found my shot records yet?"

Somewhere in the back of my consciousness a text from Avery requesting the shot records comes to the forefront.

I replied, "No. But give me a few minutes and I'll see what I can find." She hung up.

Shot records. Shot records. Where would I find twenty-seven-year-old shot records? I reached over to my laptop and pushed the power button. As it whirred into work mode, I dug through my side-table drawer for the external hard drive that

contains the contents of the computer before my present one, and the computer before that computer. I scanned through folders: Avery Transcripts, Avery Teaching, Avery Medical, Avery Personal...any folder having to do with Avery was opened. No shot records were found.

I crawled out of my warm, snugly bed and trod into the spare bedroom. I have boxes of paper documents in the closet. Perhaps, I can find the original Social Security Card envelop with the original Birth Certificate, receipt from Social Security, and this child's shot records. I look through documents dated last decade...and the decade before that. I browsed through tax returns. Still, I found no shot records...for any of my three children.

Long story short—I found a computer file of

scanned documents that included the needed shot records. After several calls, a couple of texts, and one celebrated email, I crawled back into bed. The clock read 1:23... a.m.

As parents, we want to give our children every opportunity possible; even when those opportunities are tied to lost records and mid-night scavenger hunts.

I drive by the RC Andrews construction site daily. Work continues. The demolition is complete and big equipment moved in last week to begin the ground work. In coming months, walls will go up, the football field will begin to emerge and plans to move-in will begin in earnest. Floydada residents, you are giving our children abounding opportunities with the new Jr High/High School facility. Thank you for your foresight.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA – Floydada Senior Citizens is our business name, but anyone of any age is welcome to "eat in or take out, or have a meal delivered". Call us at 983-2032 for deliver service at no extra charge.

We do have memberships available, at a cost of \$25.00 per year. This membership allows you to purchase the meal for \$5.00 instead of \$6.00.

Freida Dunn, BSN, Et, is present the 4th Thursday of the month for a blood pressure clinic, beginning at 11:30 a.m. weather permitting. Next clinic will be April 26.

The 2nd Tuesday Bingo, will resume on April 10 at 6:00 p.m. We will have

sandwiches, drinks and dessert available at that time. We will also continue our progressive cash bingo game. Mark your calendars.

Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235. Our phone number is 983-2032. Thank you for remembering the Center with your donations or memorials.

MENU

- April 16 - April 20
- Monday – Lu Ann's Meat & potato casserole
- Tuesday – Baked beans w/pork chop
- Wednesday – Fish fry
- Thursday – Baked ham
- Friday – Brisket on bun

(Menus subject to change w/o notice)

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY –DATES to mark on your calendar for April:

- APRIL CALENDAR:
- 14th - Spring Bazaar
- 16th - BINGO Night

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 - Mon-

day, 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

- April 16 - April 20
- Monday – Cheeseburgers
- Tuesday – Salmon
- Wednesday – Pulled pork
- Thursday – Chicken & dumplings
- Friday – Roast beef

(Menus subject to change w/o notice)

The Panhandle Gives 2018 Registration is NOW OPEN

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

It's TIME! Time for what you ask? It's time to register your organization for the 2018 Panhandle Gives campaign! You can help spread the word by making sure your favorite nonprofit is participating.

Two years ago, the Amarillo Area Foundation started a giving day that coincided with #GivingTuesday, an international day of philanthropy on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving. This year we're going

bigger. We are excited to announce that the Amarillo Area Foundation has contributed \$100,000 to enhance your organization's fundraising efforts during this campaign. This means your favorite organization could qualify for a portion of this contribution by participating in The Panhandle Gives 2018.

Encourage your favorite nonprofit to register to learn how their organization can benefit from the \$100,000 contribution from the Amarillo Area Foundation.

Here's where to register: bit.ly/panhandlegives. Complete the online registration and return the agreement via email: thepanhandlegives@aaf-hf.org or mail to Amarillo Area Foundation, 801 S. Fillmore, STE 700, Amarillo, TX 79101 by 3/30/18. The \$75 registration fee is due by 4-25-18.

Organizations with questions can visit our FAQ page: https://www.amarilloareafoundation.org/file/GT_NonprofitFAQ-2018.pdf

Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum Joins Bank of America Museums on Us® Program

AMARILLO, TX – The Panhandle Plains Historical Museum (PPHM) is proud to announce its participation in the Bank of America Museums on Us® program, which provides Bank of America and Merrill Lynch cardholders' free general admission more than 200 of the nation's finest arts, cultural and educational institutions during the first full weekend of every month. (PPHM is only open Sundays in the summer.)

To qualify for the Muse-

ums on Us program, Bank of America, Merrill Lynch and U.S. Trust customers simply present their credit or debit card and a valid photo ID to gain one free general admission* to any participating institution which is limited to the cardholder and excludes fundraising events, special exhibitions and ticketed shows (not to be combined with other offers).

"We look forward to welcoming people who have never visited Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum and showing them all the wonderful things we have to offer. Everybody is on the lookout for a bargain and Museums on Us is a bargain that we are excited to offer."

said PPHM Museum Director, Carol Lovelady. "Our museum is a great place for families. We have something for every member of the family – from dinosaurs to old cars, to beautiful art. We hope families will use Bank of America's program to come visit the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum."

The Museums on Us program, now in its 21st season, has experienced major growth in recent years due to increased demand, bringing the total geographic reach to 123 cities in 35 states across the country.

"We're proud to partner with PPHM to offer residents and visitors a chance to experience culture in Amarillo," said Ashley Allen, Amarillo President for Bank of America. "As we approach our 21st anniversary of the program, we continue our commitment to supporting our non-profit partners and increasing access to diverse arts and cultural resources for our customers."

For a complete listing of Museums on Us participating museums and other program information, visit www.bankofamerica.com/museums.

"Museums on Us is not valid for special exhibitions, fundraising events or ticketed shows. Not to be combined with any other discounts or offers. Free admission does not guarantee reservation. Offer valid the first full weekend of each month through December 1 and 2, 2018.

About PPHM

Located on the campus of West Texas A&M University, the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum is the largest history museum in Texas, with over two million artifacts—dedicated to preserving this area's past. PPHM offers visitors a chance to step into panhandle history with special exhibits, a permanent collection, Pioneer Town, cell phone tours, educational tours and special events. For more information about PPHM events please visit www.panhandleplains.org.

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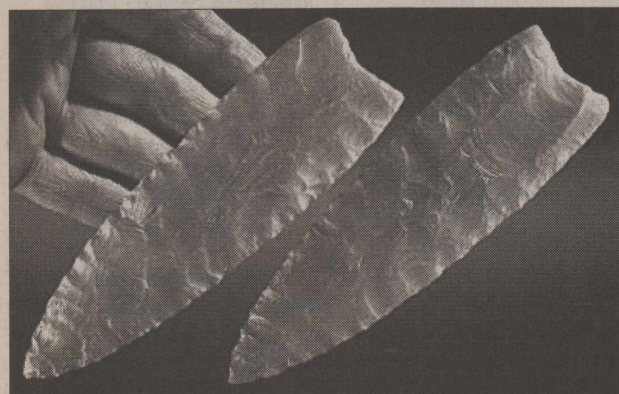


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TxDOT launches "Heads Up, Texas" Campaign

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AUSTIN – April is National Distracted Driving Month and with nearly 1 in 5 crashes in Texas involving distracted driving – a ratio that has not changed in the past three years – the Texas Department of Transportation reminds drivers that their undivided attention to the road could save a life.

"It's extremely concerning that drivers still choose to give their attention to things other than the road when they're behind the wheel," said TxDOT Executive Director James Bass. "As a society, we're more connected than ever to our devices and easily tempted to multitask, but drivers need to understand all of these various distractions can lead to a tragic outcome."

In 2017, 19 percent of vehicle crashes on Texas roads involved distracted driving. Those 100,687 crashes resulted in 444

deaths and 2,889 serious injuries. In an effort to curb distracted-driving crashes, TxDOT is launching its new "Heads up, Texas" campaign in partnership with AT&T It Can Wait. The centerpiece of the campaign is a 19-city, distracted-driving virtual reality experience launching in Waco on April 4.

According to AT&T It Can Wait, the majority of Texans ages 15-54 admit to driving distracted because of their smartphone. Additionally, nearly all Texans surveyed consider smartphone distractions to be dangerous while driving, but nearly 9 out of 10, or 89 percent, admit they do it.

"The It Can Wait campaign shares a simple message: Distracted driving is never OK," said Ryan Luckey, assistant vice president of Corporate Brand Marketing for AT&T. "We're proud to join TxDOT in sharing that mes-

sage with Texans through revealing survey data and events that highlight the dangers and the new law."

Effective Sept. 1, 2017, a texting-while-driving ban was written into law making it illegal to read, write or send a text while driving in Texas. Violators can face a fine up to \$200. Though texting while driving is now punishable by law, it's not the only smartphone activity putting Texas drivers and passengers at risk. Among those Texans surveyed by AT&T It Can Wait, the top 5 smartphone distractions while driving are:

- Texting
- Snapping/viewing photos
- Playing music
- Emailing
- Accessing social media

To learn more about TxDOT's "Heads up, Texas" campaign, visit txdot.gov/driver/share-road/distracted.html.

Children's Quailpalooza at National Ranching Heritage Center

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Children 5 to 12 years old will have a hands-on opportunity to see how scientists study quail during Quailpalooza from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 21 at the National Ranching Heritage Center (NRHC) in Lubbock.

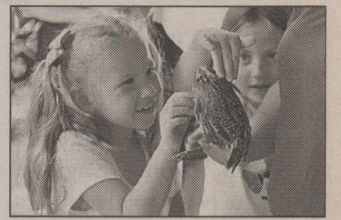
The NRHC will partner with the Quail-Tech Alliance at Texas Tech University to host a hands-on educational presentation designed for children. Participants will be given the opportunity to see live adult quail and chicks, observe a quail nest and eggs, learn what quail eat, see how scientists capture quail and learn about quail predators.

"For many ranchers, the Northern Bobwhite Quail

is a treasured rangeland inhabitant. Unfortunately, bobwhite populations are declining throughout their historic range in Texas," said Dr. Brad Dabbert, a Texas Tech University professor who will share his knowledge with some of the area's youngest students.

The program is free to children of Ranching Heritage Association members but will cost \$5 for non-members. Limited space is available. To register for the event, visit <http://ranchingheritage.org/kids/>. Funding for this event is provided by the South Plains Foundation, Park Cities Quail and the Llano Estacado Chapter of Quail Forever.

Supported by Texas Tech University and the Ranching



Courtesy photo

Children ages 5 to 12 will have the opportunity to see live adult quail and newly hatched baby chicks during Quailpalooza from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday (April 21) at the National Ranching Heritage Center. Quailpalooza is a hands-on range science experience focusing on the declining population of this important rangeland inhabitant.

Heritage Association, the National Ranching Heritage Center is a 27-acre museum and historical park located at 3121 Fourth St. adjacent to the Texas Tech campus.



Wit and Wisdom

By Charles Keaton

The Hesperian-Beacon

The hardest thing to understand in the world is the income tax. —Albert Einstein

The income tax has made liars out of more Americans than golf. —Will Rogers

An income tax form is like a laundry list - either way you lose your shirt. —Fred Allen

When there is an income tax, the just man will pay more and the unjust less on the same amount of income. —Plato

Why is it that half of the households in America pay zero income tax? We need some real tax reform. —John Cornyn

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Peace in the Storm

Jesus said to his disciples, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." —John 14:27 (NIV)

God, please help me! My father had just passed away and I was careening on an emotional roller coaster. One minute I felt all right, and the next I was in a deep pit of anguish and despair. Later on that day while driving on an errand, I realized that I needed to pray for God's peace that passes all understanding. (See Phil. 4:7.) After I did so, I continued on my errand. As I returned home, I talked to someone about my struggle. She gently reminded me of the peace that God so readily gives. Another woman also prayed for peace for me. These experiences helped me to realize that God's

peace would get me through this time in my life. Although I still miss my father tremendously, I know that I am not alone in the midst of my anguish. God gives me the strength and peace to carry me through any storm.

We face many storms in life. At times, it feels as if the pain is so deep that it will overwhelm us. We may feel alone in the depths of our despair. However, God has promised to never leave us or forsake us. When we pray in the midst of the storm, God will grant us peace that passes all understanding.

—Jodi Wheeler (Arizona)

Prayer for the day: Dear heavenly Father, thank you for always being there for us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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

Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship
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Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Bible Study - 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening - 7 p.m.

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Morning Worship - 9 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Church of Christ
West College & Third
Lockney
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Afternoon Worship - 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m.

City Park Church of Christ
Matthew Benfield, Minister
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Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study - 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Floydada
Mark Snowden, Pastor
Nathan Adams, Minister of Students and Discipleship
Ashley Adams, Minister of Music
Ludustria Prisk, Director of Children's Ministry
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Lockney

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

First United Methodist Church
Floydada
Rev. Ken Peterson, Pastor
Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School - 10:50 a.m.
Youth (Sunday) - 6:30 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
Lockney
Rev. 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.

Grant Chapel Church of God in Christ
Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Worship - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday - 8 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

Main Street Church of Christ
Lockney
James Blair, Minister
Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
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Rev. Timothy Askey
401 N 12th Sty. 983-5805
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wednesday Study - 6 p.m.

New Salem Primitive Baptist Church
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Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges
(806) 637-0430
Sunday Singing - 10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church

310 Mississippi
Floydada
Rev David Ramos, Pastor
Ester Ramos, Praise Leader
Sunday Bible - 10 a.m.
Morning Praise - 11 a.m.
Evening Praise 5 - 5 p.m.
Wed Worship - 7 p.m.

Power of Praise Full Gospel Church
Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor
704 B Main, Lockney
Sunday Services - 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 5 p.m.
Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

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

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

San Jose Catholic Church
Lockney
Fr. Arockia Dhass 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

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

Templo Getsemani Assembly of God
701 W. Missouri
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.

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.

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.

Templo Bethel
Spanish Assembly of God
Washington And 1st St.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Worship - 5 p.m.
Wed Service - 7 p.m.

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

Trinity Assembly
500 W. Houston
Kari & Justin Brown, Pastors
983-5499
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 6 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church
Providence Community On Fm 2301
293-3009
Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11 - a.m.

West Side Church of Christ
Floydada
983-2672 Or 470-0950
Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.

AGRICULTURE

May 4 wine workshop targets industry newcomers

By Gabe Saldana
Texas AgriLife

COLLEGE STATION — New and prospective wine professionals can pick up critical information for success in the budding Texas industry during a May 4 enology workshop, organizers said.

"If you have recently opened your own winery or are considering a career in winemaking, this workshop will be extremely helpful," said Dr. Andreea Botezatu, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service enology spe-

cialist in College Station.

The 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. workshop takes place at the Horticulture and Forestry Science Building, Room 224, Texas A&M University, College Station.

New-winery instruction by industry experts at the event will include legal and permitting requirements, equipment selection, winery design, varietal selections, marketing tips and lessons learned.

Workshop registration fees of \$175 per person and \$275 per couple include lunch. Go to [https://](https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/)



New and prospective wine professionals can pick up critical information for success in the budding Texas industry during a May 4 workshop.

agriliferegister.tamu.edu/ and contact Botezatu for information at abotezatu@tamuedu.

NCC: Tariffs would undermine U.S. cotton trade with China

From the National Cotton Council

The National Cotton Council is concerned that China's announcement of significantly higher proposed tariffs on U.S. raw cotton shipped to that country would significantly harm the economic health of the U.S. cotton industry.

For the current 2017 crop year, China stands as the second largest export market with purchases of approximately 2.5 million

bales of U.S. cotton.

"I cannot overstate the importance of China's market to U.S. cotton farmers and the importance of U.S. cotton in meeting the needs of China's textile industry," NCC Chairman Ron Craft said. "The cotton industries of the United States and China enjoy a healthy, mutually beneficial relationship."

According to the USDA Foreign Agriculture Service GAIN Report, cotton has been listed among multiple U.S. agricultural

products that could potentially be hit with higher tariffs from China -- specifically an in-quota tariff that would increase from one percent to 26 percent. Following the announcement, the cotton market reacted accordingly -- almost limit down on nearby contracts.

The GAIN Report noted that China's proposal of retaliatory tariffs on selected U.S. agricultural products is in response to the recent U.S. proposed tariffs on Chinese imports

resulting from the Section 301 investigation into the forced transfer of U.S. technology and intellectual property.

Craft said the NCC strongly encourages the two governments to engage in immediate discussions "that can resolve trade tensions and preserve this long-term collaborative relationship. The U.S. cotton industry stands ready to assist the U.S. government and our trading partners in China to find a resolution to this damaging trade dispute."

DOJ approves Bayer's takeover of Monsanto

By Southwest Farm Press
Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

Monsanto shares surged after the Wall Street Journal reported that the U.S. Department of Justice decided to approve its \$66 billion takeover by Bayer AG, removing the last major regulatory obstacle to the completion of the biggest deal in the seeds and crop-chemicals industry.

An agreement in principle has been brokered between the two companies in recent days, the newspaper reported, citing people familiar with the matter. That marks a breakthrough for the review process, as just last month, Justice Department officials weren't satisfied with Bayer's plan because of concerns that the transaction could hurt competition, two people familiar with the matter told Bloomberg News at the time.

Bayer's proposed takeover of St. Louis-based Monsanto is part of a wave of consolidation that has swept seed and crop-chemical firms in the past three years. Two previous deals, the combination of Dow Chemical Co. and DuPont Co. and China National Chemical Corp.'s takeover of Syngenta AG, won anti-trust clearance.

Bayer, which is based in Leverkusen, Germany, has

previously agreed to sell seed-and-agrochemical assets to BASF SE for \$7 billion. BASF is also in talks to buy Bayer's vegetable seed business.

In its review of the Bayer-Monsanto merger, the Justice Department is looking at horizontal antitrust issues, or competition in the same market, as well as vertical competition, or issues along supply chains, one of the people said.

A spokeswoman for Monsanto and a Bayer spokesman both declined to comment on the WSJ report. Monsanto said last week that the deal will be wrapped up by June.

Monsanto rose as much as 7.6% to \$126.80 in New York trading. Bayer's all-cash deal values the company at \$128 a share.

Texas Oil and Gas Production Statistics

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

AUSTIN — Production for January 2018 as reported to the Railroad Commission of Texas (Commission) is 80,575,060 barrels of crude oil and 573,930,369 mcf (thousand cubic feet) of total gas from oil and gas wells. These preliminary figures are based on production volumes reported by operators and will be updated as late and corrected production reports are received. Production reported to the Commission for January 2017, was: 75,331,644 barrels of crude oil preliminarily, updated to a current figure of 86,871,474 barrels; and 608,396,818 mcf of total gas preliminarily, updated to a current figure of 650,820,774 mcf.

The Commission reports that from February 2017 to January 2018, total Texas reported production was 1.045 billion barrels of crude oil and 7.7 trillion cubic

feet of total gas. Crude oil production reported by the Commission is limited to oil produced from oil leases and does not include condensate, which is reported separately by the Commission.

Texas preliminary January 2018 crude oil production averaged 2,599,195 barrels daily, compared to the 2,430,053 barrels daily average of January 2017.

Texas preliminary January 2018 total gas production averaged 18,513,883 mcf a day, compared to the 19,625,704 mcf daily average of January 2017.

Texas production in January 2018 came from 180,363 oil wells and 91,358 gas wells.

For additional oil and gas production statistics, visit the Commission's website at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-gas/research-and-statistics/production-data/texas-monthly-oil-gas-production>

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Ginning season continues; cotton acreage expected to jump again in 2018

By Mary Jane Buerkle
Plains Cotton Growers

With back-to-back crops of 5 million bales plus, ginners across the PCG service area have become more accustomed to longer-than-usual ginning seasons, and as planting time approaches, this one isn't even over yet for some.

A few gins in the northern portions of the PCG service area still have a couple of weeks of ginning remaining, which reflects an acreage shift and subsequent increase in production that has happened over the past couple of years.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's latest Prospective Plantings Report, those numbers could climb even higher, with their estimate at 7.3 million acres of upland cotton to be planted in Texas in 2018, a

six percent increase from 6.9 million in 2017 and up from 5.65 million acres planted in 2016.

The USDA report is up slightly from the National Cotton Council's estimate in February of about 7.15 million acres to be planted in Texas. Nationwide, the USDA predicts 13.2 million acres of upland cotton to be planted, also up slightly from the NCC survey at just more than 12.8 million acres.

Soil temperatures are inching up toward the 60-degree mark at the 8-inch depth, and with warmer weather expected over the next few weeks, optimal planting conditions should be in place by the usual planting time of late April through May. However, growers certainly could further benefit from rainfall, particularly in areas that missed the most recent rains in the latter part of March.

The Alamo Announces Statewide Roadshow

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

SAN ANTONIO — The Alamo will hit the road next week, kicking off a statewide tour across Texas, starting in El Paso on Monday. The Alamo Roadshow will stop in nine cities, inviting Texans to learn about ongoing preservation work happening at the state's most well-known historic site and include opportunities to share their own family stories, documents, and artifacts related to the Texas Revolution. Roadshow organizers will be gathering feedback from attendees on their thoughts and suggestions for the future of the Alamo.

"The Alamo Roadshow is an opportunity for history enthusiasts to learn about the plan to preserve the Alamo and to build the state's largest Texas Revolution museum, as well as to share their own artifacts and historic family treasures," said Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush. "I invite all Texans to join us for an evening of discussion of preservation and Texas history."

The roadshow will kick off

April 9 in West Texas, making stops in El Paso, Midland, Lubbock, and Abilene, before continuing to other areas of the state throughout the month. Historians and curatorial staff from the Alamo and the General Land Office (GLO) will be on hand to help attendees evaluate and document stories and artifacts. Roadshow presenters will also bring several artifacts from the Alamo and GLO Archives that will someday appear in exhibits in the forthcoming Alamo Museum and Visitor's Center.

Join the Alamo at one of the Alamo Roadshow locations across Texas:

- April 9: El Paso (El Paso Museum)
- April 10: Midland (Halley Library)
- April 11: Lubbock (Texas Tech National Ranching Heritage Center)
- April 12: Abilene (National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature)
- April 18: Tyler (Tyler ISD Career & Technology Center)

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"Wul, when I told him I fought dirty I thought he'd leave!"

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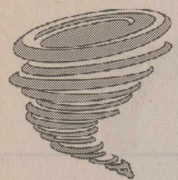
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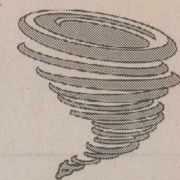
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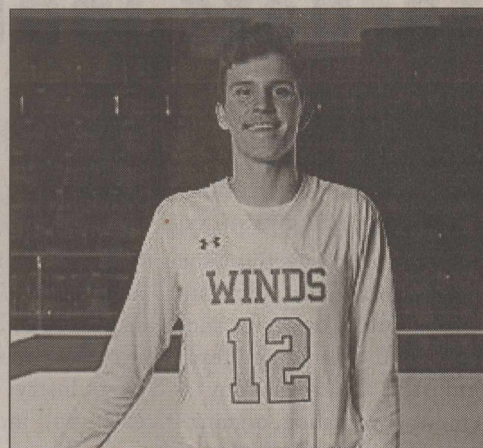
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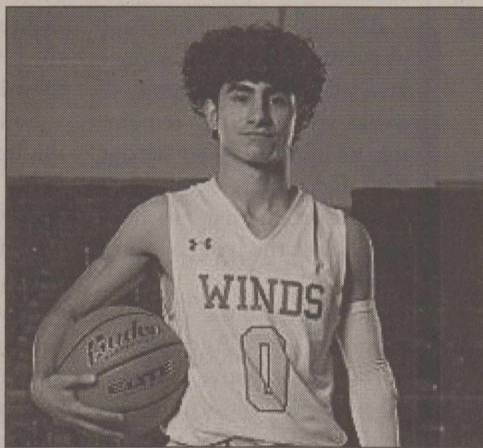
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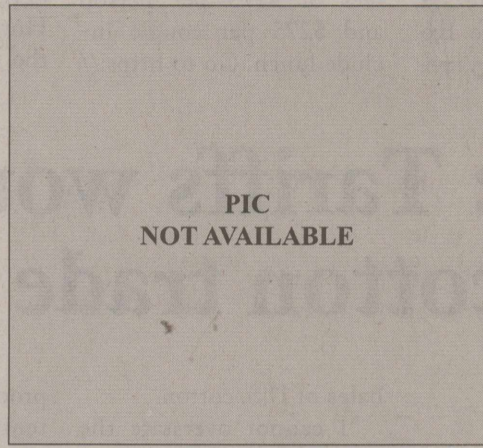
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Whirlwinds and Lady Winds compete at District Track



Photos by Kiana Brown
Miguel Pena qualified for area meet with 3rd place finish in 110 Hurdles.

Kiana Brown placed first in pole vault.

By Jacob Chavarria
FHS Journalism Class

The Whirlwinds and Lady Winds competed at the District 4-2A track meet last week in New Deal. The Whirlwinds varsity who placed 2nd as a team had 9 boys qualify individually for the area meet and all 3 relays. The Lady Winds had 3 girls qualify individually and 1 relay to compete at the area meet. The top four varsity relays and varsity individuals are the ones that move on to the area meet.

In the varsity boys division, Marcus Perez placed 7th in the 100-meter dash with a time of 12.09. In the 200 Rosendo Reyna place 5th with a 23.11, Alejandro Pinon placed 3rd to advance to area with a 53.22 in the 400-meter dash. In the 800-meter run James Gibbens placed 1st

with a time of 2:08.19 while teammates Andrew Vega placed 2nd with a 2:09.89 and with a 2:13.26 Kaleb Crone placed 6th. James Gibbens and Andrew Vega placed 2nd and 4th respectively in the 1600. Donald Gibbens also placed 8th in the 1600 with a 5:18.76. In the 3200 Kaleb Crone ran a time of 11:02.00 to place 2nd and advance on. In the 110-meter hurdles Miguel Pena came in 3rd with a time of 16.59 and Andrez Suarez placed 6th with a 18.41. In the 300-meter hurdles Andrez placed 2nd with a 43.26 and Miguel came in 6th with 44.68. In the 400 meter relay, which consisted of Marcus Perez, Jerry Reyes, Gabe Delafuente, and Jeremiah Johnston, placed 4th with a time 46.13. In the 800-meter relay Rosendo Reyna, Gabe Delafuente, Jerry Reyes, and

Mrs Bairds teacher



Courtesy photo
Ranay Johnston was named Mrs. Baird's Teacher On The Rise. Sierra Perez and Alexis Segura wrote an essay to nominate Johnston. They each received a \$25 Visa gift Card. Johnston received a \$100 gift card from United and dinner for 2 at The Texas Tech Club. Mrs. Johnston teaches English I, Business English, and is the Cheerleader sponsor.

pillowcase project



Courtesy photo
Several of the students in Mrs. Dana Crossland's class attended the Ogallala Quilt Show in Olton.

Pablo Mendoza placed 3rd and ran a 1:34.42 as a team. The 1600-meter relay placed 3rd with a 3:34.02, this team consisted of Jeremiah Johnston, Jerry Reyes, Rosendo Reyna, and Alejandro Pinon. In the varsity boy's field events, Miguel Pena placed 4th in high jump with a jump of 6 ft. In pole vault Gabe Delafuente came in 1st with a height of 12 ft. 6 in., and Cutter Smith placed 5th with

a height of 11 ft. In long jump Kaleb Crone with a jump of 19 ft. 3 in, and Jerry Reyes jumped 19 ft. 1 in. placed 4th and 5th respectively. Jeremiah Johnston also placed 12th in long jump with a jump of 17ft.5in. Marcus Perez placed 2nd in triple jump with a 40ft. 5.5 in. jump. Luke Holcombe placed 3rd in shot put with a throw of 41ft. 10.25 in. In discus Luke again placed 3rd

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Floydada tennis advances to Regionals



Courtesy photos
The Floydada tennis team includes Andrew Vega, Jaiden Blakey, Alejandro Pinon, Remington Ricketts, Keenan Nixon, Angel Fipps, Kortney Campbell, Emily Cisneros, Azalea Garza and Itzel Pacheco. Not pictured were Alex Glass, Ryder Glass, Arianna Diaz, Marissa Valdivia, Garrett Hobbs.

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

At the District 3-2A Tennis Tournament Monday, April 2 in Plainview, Floydada captured the championships in Boys Singles (Keenan Nixon), Boys Doubles (Remington Ricketts & Alejandro Piñon), and the Boys Team Championship. All three are Seniors, returning Regional Qualifiers, and advance to the 2018 Region I Tournament in Odessa April 18-19. The Floydada Girls Doubles

(Kortney Campbell & Azalea Garza) is also advancing after finishing second.

In addition, the Winds claimed third place finishes in Boys Singles (Jaiden Blakey), Girls Singles (Lindsay Marquez) and Boys Doubles (Alex Glass & Andrew Vega). These four will advance as Alternates to the Regional Tournament in two weeks. Fourth place finishes were claimed in Girls Singles (Marissa Valdivia), Mixed Doubles (Itzel Pacheco and Ryder Glass).

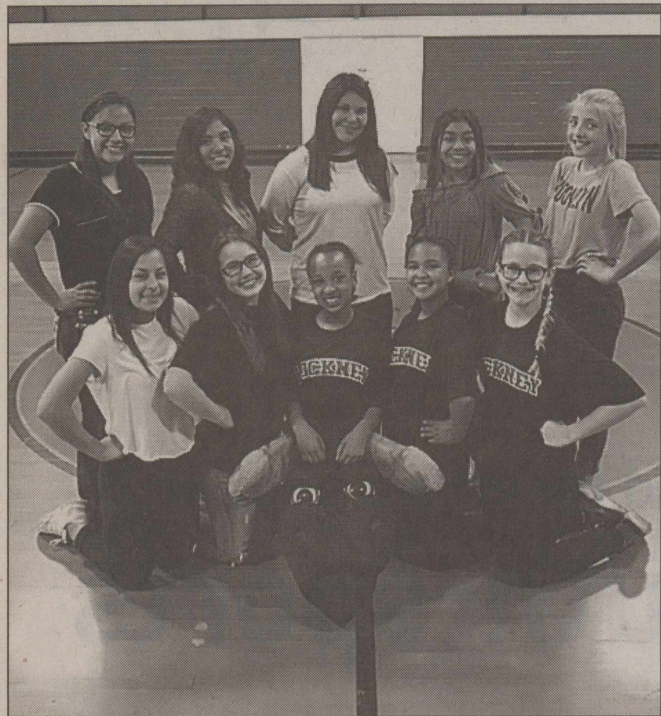
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2018-2019 LOCKNEY JUNIOR HIGH CHEERLEADERS – Members of the 2018-2019 LJHS cheerleaders are (Top, left to right) Eddeny Chavira, Karen Trenado, Hailey Afill, Adriana Villarreal, Madison Johnson; (Bottom, left to right) Aubree Urritia, Saylee Diepenhorst, Anlys Jones (Mascot), Adalayah Jones and Brailey Kidd.

Lockney Elementary hosts round-up thru April 16-20

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

Lockney Elementary will host a PreK and Kindergarten Round Up during the week of April 16-20 during regular school hours: 8 am - 3:30 pm.

If your child will be 4 or 5 years old, on or before, September 1, 2018, you may come to the school to preregister them.

Parents must bring their child's state issued birth certificate, social security card and current shot record as well as the parent's driver's license. Grandparents, or others, may not register children unless they have proof

of custody or an educational guardianship form.

Those registering children for PK will be asked to complete a qualification form to determine eligibility. Please bring your EDG number, letter of approval, or your SNAP/TANF case number if you already qualify for those programs.

Shot records will be reviewed by the school nurse for compliance and all students must be current on immunizations when school begins in August.

Incomplete applications and those without required documents will not be processed.

Alexa Poole



Alexa Poole of Lockney, will be competing at the UIL Texas State Solo & Ensemble Contest on May 28, 2018 in Pflugerville, Texas. A Junior at Lockney High School, she competed as a twirling soloist at Regionals on February 24, 2018 where she received all ones during her performance, advancing to State.

Lockney drops two to Abernathy

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Abernathy visited the Lockney Longhorns on Saturday, April 7 and went home with two District 3-2A victories. Abernathy won game one 6-3 and game two 10-4.

GAME ONE: ABERNATHY 6, LOCKNEY 3

It took 11 innings before the Antelopes snagged victory from Lockney, as the Antelopes scored three unanswered runs in the top of the eleventh inning, claiming the 6-3 victory over Lockney.

Lockney took the lead in the bottom of the first by scoring two runs. Israel Cuellar reached on an error to lead off for Lockney then a sacrifice bunt by Clay Moore moved Cuellar to second. A fielder's choice advanced Cuellar to third. Noel Cenicerros singled to score Cuellar then Nick Rendon doubled to score Cenicerros, giving the Longhorns a 2-0 lead after one.

Neither team scored in the second inning.

Abernathy failed to score in the top of the third, but Lockney added a run. Cuellar led off with a single then C Moore reached on an error. A single by Ruben Marmolejo loaded the bases. A fielder's choice forced Cuellar out at home. With two outs, Shawn Marquez walked to force in C Moore and give Lockney a 3-0 lead after three innings.

Neither team scored in the fourth inning.

In the top of the fifth, Abernathy scored two runs. With one out, Jake Ayers doubled the moved to third on an error. Adrian Macias was hit by a pitch then Nathan Sullivan scored Ayers as Macias moved to third. Bryson Daily doubled to drive in Macias as Abernathy closed the gap to 3-2 with Lockney still leading. Lockney did not score in the bottom of the fifth, leading 3-2.

Both teams went down in order in the sixth inning.

With one out in the top of the seventh, Ayers walked then Macias reached on an error that allowed Ayers to score and Macias make it to third as the Antelopes tied the game at 3-3. Lockney got two on but was unable to

score as the game went to extra innings.

In the bottom of the eighth, Lockney loaded the bases, but three straight strike outs ended the threat.

In the top of the ninth, Abernathy loaded the bases courtesy of an error and two intentional walks but were unable to take advantage of it. Lockney went down in order in the bottom of the inning.

In the tenth inning, both teams went three up and three down.

Abernathy scored three runs in the top of the eleventh. With one out, Macias singled then Sullivan singled and Daily was intentionally walked to load the bases. Kole Carlisle walked to force in Macias, then with two outs, Joe Villa singled to drive in Sullivan and Daily, giving the Antelopes a 6-3 lead. Lockney was unable to score in the bottom of the inning, as Abernathy took game one, 6-3.

For Lockney, Cuellar went 2-6 with one run scored, C Moore went 1-4 with one run scored, Cenicerros went 1-5 with one RBI and one run scored, Rendon went 1-5 with one RBI and Marquez went 0-3 with one RBI. C Moore pitched seven innings allowing four runs on six hits while striking out two and walking two, Marmolejo pitched three and one-third innings allowing one run on two hits while striking out five and walking three, Cuellar pitched two-thirds of an inning allowing one run on one hit while striking out one and walking two.

For Abernathy, Ayers went 1-5 with two runs scored, Macias went 1-4 with two runs scored, Sullivan went 3-3 with one RBI and one run scored and Villa went 1-3 with two RBIs. Sullivan pitched three innings allowing three runs on four hits while striking out one and walking one, Malachi Loredo pitched six innings allowing one hit while striking out nine and walking two and Villa pitched two innings allowing one hit while striking out one.

GAME TWO: ABERNATHY 10, LOCKNEY 4

A four-run third inning allowed the Abernathy Antelopes

to pull away from the Lockney Longhorns as they claimed a 10-4 victory.

Abernathy jumped out to an early two run lead in the top of the first. Ayers walked to lead off then Bradyn Daniel doubled to drive in Ayers. With one out, Daniel moved to third on a fielder's choice then an error allowed Daily to reach and Daniel to score, giving the Antelopes a 2-0 lead. In the bottom of the first, Lockney took a 3-2 lead. Cenicerros reached on an error, moved to second on a single by Cuellar then stole third. C Moore drew a walk to load the bases. A balk by the pitcher scored Cenicerros and moved up all the runners. Cuellar scored on a fielder's choice as C Moore moved to third. Rendon grounded out but drove in C Moore to give Lockney a 3-2 lead after one inning.

In the top of the second, Nicholas DeAnda was hit by a pitch to lead off the Antelopes' at bat. DeAnda stole second then moved to third on a sacrifice fly by Parker Redwine. Villa reached on an error as DeAnda scored on the play. Ayers walked then a balk moved Villa to third and Ayers to second. An error by the third baseman allowed Villa to score and Ayers to move to third, giving the Antelopes a 4-3 lead. Lockney was unable to score as Abernathy had the lead, 4-3, after two innings.

For Abernathy in the top of the third, Daily singled to lead off then stole second and third. Carlisle hit a sacrifice fly to drive in Daily. Loredo singled then with two outs, Redwine walked then Villa walked to load the bases. Ayers doubled to drive in Loredo and Macias. Daniel walked to load the bases then Sullivan walked to force in Villa, giving the Antelopes an 8-3 lead. In the bottom of the inning, the Longhorns added a run. Cenicerros reached on an error that allowed him to advance to second. Cuellar walked then a fielder's choice by C Moore moved Cenicerros to third as Cuellar was forced out at second. Marmolejo singled to drive in Cenicerros but Abernathy held the 8-4 lead after three innings.

With one out in the top of the fourth, Loredo singled then

DeAnda singled. A single by Redwine scored Loredo making it 9-4 for Abernathy after four innings.

In the top of the fifth with one out, Macias singled then stole second. With two outs, Daily singled to drive in Macias, giving Abernathy a 10-4 lead after five innings.

Neither team scored in the sixth.

After Abernathy failed to score in the top of the seventh, Lockney got the lead off hitter as Bryce Reese drew a walk but a double play and a foul out ended the game as the Antelopes claimed the 10-4 victory.

For Lockney, Marmolejo went 1-3 with two RBIs and Cenicerros went 0-4 with two runs scored. Marquez pitched two and two-thirds innings allowing eight runs on four hits while walking five and Reese pitched four and one-third inning allowing two runs on six hits while striking out one and walking one.

For Abernathy, Ayers went 1-3 with two RBIs and one run scored, Macias went 2-2 with two runs scored and Daily went 2-4 with two RBIs and one run scored. Daily pitched seven innings allowing four runs on two hits while striking out seven and walking four.

In the district standings, Abernathy is 8-2, New Deal is 6-2, Floydada is 8-3, Lockney is 5-4, Ralls is 4-4, Olton is 4-5, Hale Center is 3-4, Springlake-Earth is 2-8 and Crosbyton is 1-8.

Lockney played Floydada on Tuesday, April 10 and will play Hale Center in double-header on April 14 and will play New Deal on April 17. Abernathy played Hale Center on April 10 and will play a double-header with Crosbyton on April 14 and will play Olton on April 17.

District 2-2A Baseball Standings

2-2A BB	W	L
Abernathy	8	2
New Deal	6	2
Floydada	8	3
Lockney	5	4
Ralls	4	4
Olton	4	5
Hale Center		
+	3	4
Springlake+	2	8
Crosbyton	1	8

+Hale Center/Springlake-Earth mis

Schedule for April 10
Hale Center vs Abernathy
Ralls vs Crosbyton
Lockney vs Floydada
Springlake-Earth vs Olton
New Deal – OPEN

Schedule for April 17
Abernathy vs Olton
Floydada vs Crosbyton
Lockney vs New Deal
Ralls vs Springlake-Earth
Hale Center – OPEN

Schedule for April 21
Abernathy vs Springlake-Earth (2 g)
Hale Center vs Crosbyton (2 games)
Lockney vs Olton (2 games)
Ralls vs New Deal (2 games)
Floydada – OPEN for district

Schedule for April 24

(end of season)
Abernathy vs Ralls
New Deal vs Crosbyton
Springlake-Earth vs Floydada
Hale Center vs Olton
Lockney – OPEN
Make-Up Game To Be Announced
Lockney vs Ralls

District 2-2A Softball Standings

2-2A SB	W	L
Abernathy	8	1
Ralls	8	1
Floydada	7	2
Lockney	4	5
New Deal	3	5
Crosbyton	1	9
Hale Center	1	9

Schedule for April 10
Ralls vs Abernathy
New Deal vs Crosbyton
Hale Center vs Floydada
Lockney – OPEN

Schedule for April 14
Floydada vs Abernathy
Lockney vs Hale Center
Ralls vs New Deal
Crosbyton – OPEN

Schedule for April 17
(end of season)
Lockney vs Abernathy
Ralls vs Crosbyton
Floydada vs New Deal
Hale Center – OPEN

Make-Up Game – April 21
Lockney vs New Deal

South Plains College students earn state press awards

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND – The Plainsman Press staff at South Plains College recently was recognized with 14 awards from the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association.

The awards were announced during the annual TIPA spring competition and convention at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Dallas. There were 474 participants representing 44 colleges and universities from across the state at the event. TIPA is the largest student press association in the nation.

The Plainsman Press also was recognized with an Honorable Mention Award in the category of Overall Newspaper Design.

In the competition for Previously Published Material, Riley Golden, sophomore print journalism major

from Lubbock, placed first in the category of Critical Review for his article on the "Justice League" movie.

Golden also placed second in the Feature Story category for his article on "Comic Culture."

Dominick Puente, sophomore print journalism major from Levelland, placed first

for his article on "Comic Culture."

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LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU

April 16-20

Monday, April 16

Breakfast – Waffles & Bacon or Cereal & Toast, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch – Country Fried Steak or Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Okra, Roll, Strawberry Cup, Milk

Tuesday, April 17

Breakfast – Cinnamon Roll & Sausage or PBJ, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch – Enchiladas, Salsa, Cucumbers, Refried Beans, Garnish, Applesauce, Milk

Wednesday, April 18

Breakfast – Breakfast Pizza or Breakfast Parfait, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch – Chicken Tenders or Hamburger, Gravy, Toast, Broccoli, Sweet Potato, Fries, Fruit, Milk

Thursday, April 19

Breakfast – Sausage, Egg & Cheese Sandwich or Cereal Bar & Yogurt, Fruit, Juice, Milk
Lunch – Chicken Spaghetti or Pizza, Salad, Carrots, Apple, Milk

Friday, April 20

Breakfast – Pita Pocket or Muffin & Yogurt, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
Lunch – Shrimp, Fish Sticks or BBQ on a Bun, Coleslaw, Green Beans, Oranges, Milk

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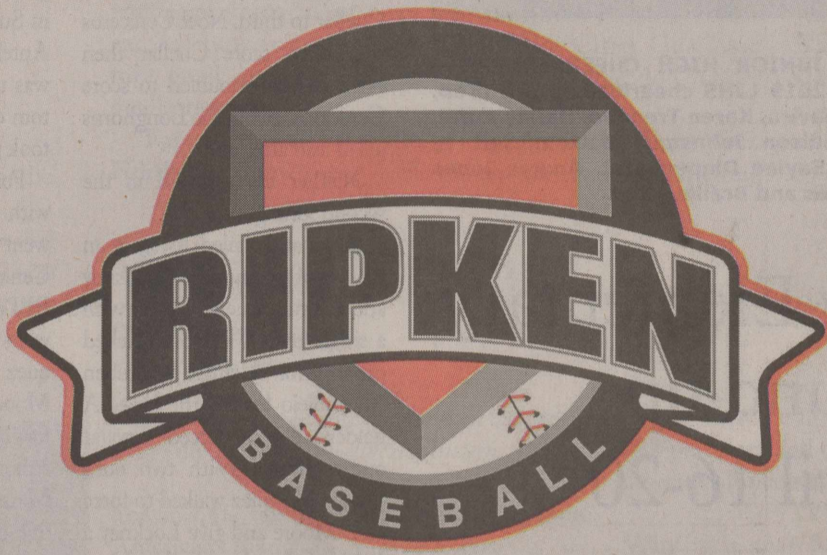
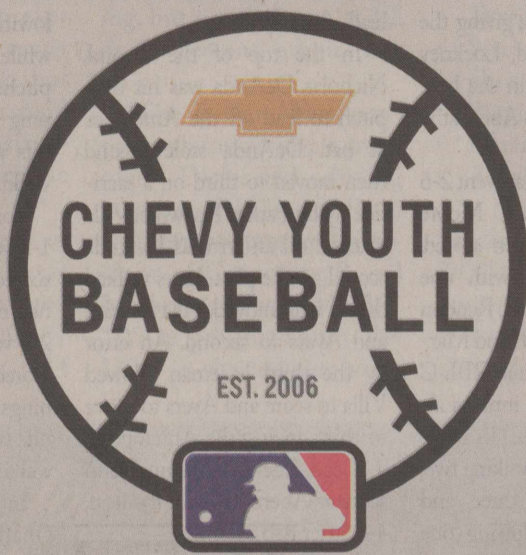
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In addition to registering before the event, participants are required to bring a signed waiver from to the registration table on the day of the clinic.

■ Space is limited to 200 players per session. Walk ups will be welcome but limited to spot availability.

■ Participants of all skill levels are invited to attend. Participants should wear athletic apparel and bring their own glove, water bottle, and bat if available.

■ Family members are strongly encouraged to attend the entire clinic.

■ Check-in will begin one hour prior to each clinic; snack will be served immediately following the clinic.

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2 Councilmembers, At Large
(Notifiquese por las presente que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 5 de Mayo de 2018 para votar en la Elección General para elegir 1 Miembro del Concilio, Distrito 1; 1 Miembro del Concilio, Distrito 4, 2 Miembros del Concilio, En General)

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(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
(Nombre del Secretario(a) de la Votación Adelantada)

114 W Virginia St
(Address) (Dirección)

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Bobby Gillette
Signature of Mayor (Firma del Alcalde)

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Buda - 20th Annual Buda Lions Country Fair and Wiener Dog Races, April 28-29, Buda City Park. www.budalions.com

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Bill Harbin retirement



Courtesy photos
Gaylor Groce, President of the Lighthouse Electric Co-Op Board, presented Bill Harbin with a Meter Lamp from the Lighthouse Board of Directors and employees.



Bill Harbin was joined by his family to celebrate his retirement.

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in the category of Sports Column for a story he wrote about NFL players protesting by kneeling during the "National Anthem."

Photographers for the Plainsman Press swept the top three places in the category of Breaking News Photo. Tovi Oyervidez, sophomore photojournalism major from Lubbock, placed first for her photo of the Women's March that was held in Lubbock. She also placed second for her photo of the opening of the Lubbock Center campus and Annie Golden, freshman from Lubbock, placed third for her photo of the Miss Caprock Pageant.

Nicole Lopez, print journalism major from Amherst, won three awards. She placed second in the Feature Story category for her feature about a young man who creates music for video games. She also received a pair of Honorable Mention awards in the category of Sports Feature Story for an article on Felix Kosgei of the SPC men's track and field team and in the Critical Review category for her article featuring the "Battlefront II" video game.

Matt Molinar of Levelland, currently a junior public relations major at Texas Tech University, also received a pair of Honorable Mention awards.

One was in the category of In-Depth Series/Investigative Reporting for a series on prostitution called "Risque Business." The second was in the category of Opinion/Editorial Page Design.

Tyler York from Tallahassee, Fla., placed third in the category of Photo Story for his article and photos on the Cadillac Ranch near Amarillo.

The Plainsman Press staff also placed third in category of Headline Writing.

Students participating in the trip and also competing in live contests were: Autumn Bippert, freshman photojournalism major from Georgetown, who competed in Newspaper Design and Sports Photography; Tina Gonzalez, freshman public relations major from Lubbock who competed in PR News Release Writing and PR Crisis Management; Randi Jines, freshman print journalism major from Gruver who competed in Editorial Writing and Headline Writing; Madison Benavidez, freshman print journalism major from Gail who competed in Feature Writing; Adan Rubio, freshman print journalism major from Lubbock who competed in News Writing; and Kendall Rainer, freshman general studies major from Georgetown.

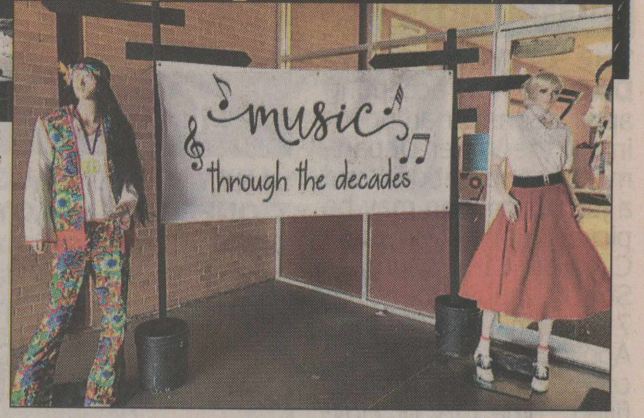
Plainsman Press staff members have won 170 awards in TIPA competitions since 2004.

Lockney chamber banquet



Courtesy photos

The annual Lockney Chamber of Commerce banquet had a theme of music through the decades and featured singing, humor and skits.



UPCOMING

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COOPERATIVE GINS

The Floydada Cooperative Gins will hold their Stockholders and Producers Meeting on Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 7 p.m. at the Floyd County Unity Center. Serving begins at 6:30 p.m.

OLD SETTLER'S REUNION

SAVE THE DATE!!! Saturday, May 12th is Old Settlers!!!! Downtown Floydada - Lots of activities for the whole family to enjoy. Mark your calendars now!!!!

O'ROURKE

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into Cochran's office, then stabbed her. Cochran was able to flee her attacker and seek help across the street at Mangold Hospital.

Jimenez, who resigned his position with Lockney ISD on Wednesday prior to the incident, surrendered to deputies at the scene. In a statement Wednesday, Lockney ISD noted, "The alleged assault occurred at the residential care facility where the victim worked and not at the school. At no time was the safety of Lockney ISD students at risk during the incident."

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- April 19: Rockwall (Rockwall Courthouse)
 - April 24: Bryan/College Station (Texas A&M University)
 - April 25: Waco (Maybom Museum Complex)
 - April 30: McAllen (Edinburg History Museum)
- Additional details can be found at www.TheAlamo.org.

"As we begin to make plans for future exhibits and programming, and a museum to house the Alamo's collection, we want to invite all Texans to share their unique stories and connections to the Alamo and Texas history," said Alamo CEO Doug McDonald. "Whether it's a direct descendant of the Old Three Hundred, an artifact of the Texas Revolution, or a family heirloom related to Texas history, our goal is to send our curatorial professionals throughout Texas to help document and share those stories with everyone who loves Texas history. These stories are part of the Alamo's story, and could help shape the way we think about historical interpretation at the Alamo in the future."

The Alamo will be sharing updates from the road all month long. Follow along with the Alamo Roadshow on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter @ OfficialAlamo, #AlamoRoadshow. Join us to Remember the Alamo!

TRACK

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with a throw of 127 ft. 7in., Mike Delafuente came in 9th with a throw of 104 ft. 2in., and Daniel Cervera placed 13th with a throw of 96 ft. 11in.

In the JV boys division the team placed 4th. Alonzo Mendoza placed 3rd in the 100 with a time of 12.68, in the 200 Alonzo Ascencio placed 4th with a run of 25.36, while Alonzo Mendoza ran a 26.30 and placed 6th. In the 400-meter dash Desmond Wickware placed 6th with a time of 1:00.75. Dylan Ramos with a time of 6:12.31 placed 7th in the mile. Kyle Bruington placed 5th in the 110-meter hurdles with a 19.54 and came in 3rd in the 300 hurdles with a 47.25. The 400-meter relay placed 4th with time of 48.62, this team consisted of Alexyz Alvarado, Alonzo Ascencio, Eric Johnston, and Hermilo Martinez. In the 800-meter relay Alexyz Alvarado, Alonzo Ascencio, Eric Johnston, and Noah Mendez placed 2nd with a time of 1:40.45. The 1600-meter relay placed 4th with a 3:56.79, this team consisted of Alexyz Alvarado, Eric Johnston, Noah Mendez and Hermilo Martinez. Dylan Ramos placed 4th with a vault of 8ft. 6in. in pole vault. In triple jump Kyle Bruington jumped a 32ft. 5.75 in to place 7th. Jacob Johnston placed 5th

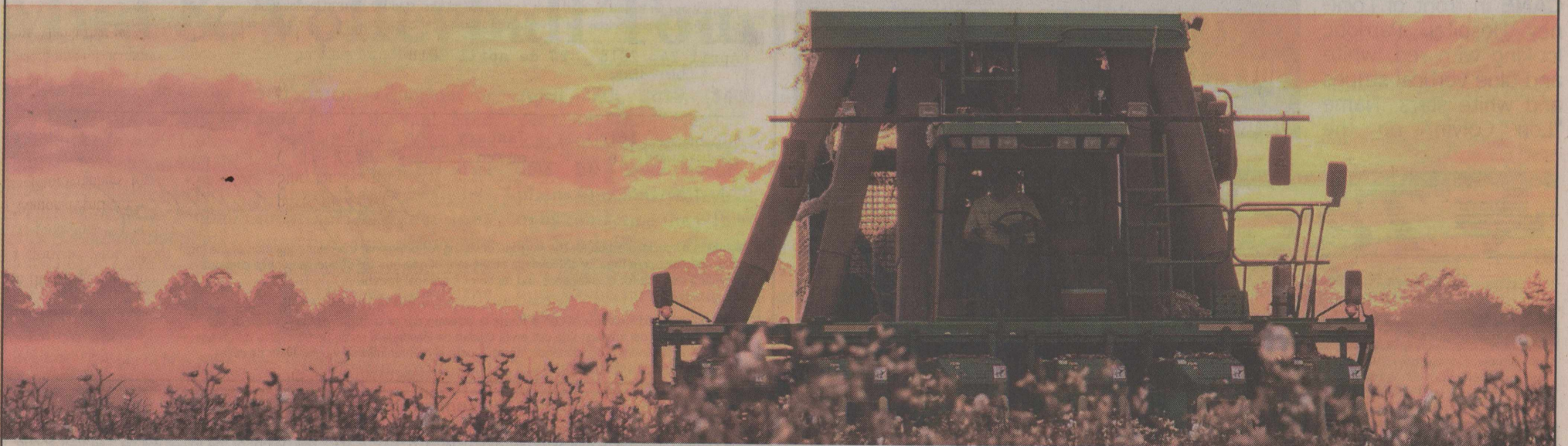
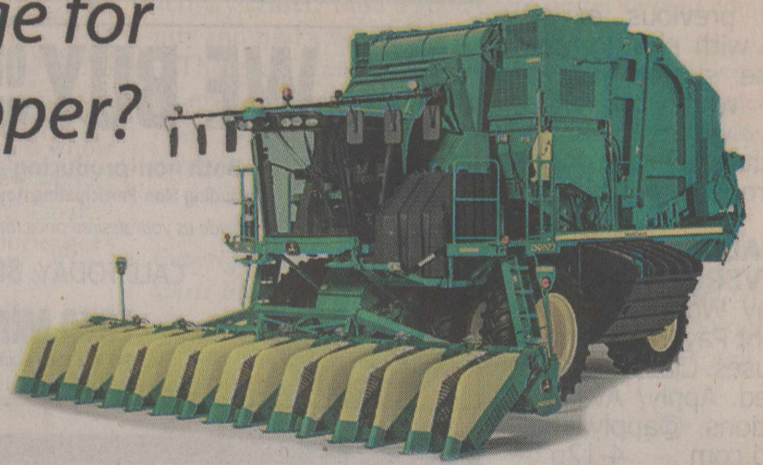
with a throw of 33 ft. 9 in. while teammate Hunter Smith came in 6th with a distance of 33ft 8.5in in shotput.

On the varsity girls side Kiana Brown placed 1st in both the 100 and 200-meter dash with a 12.92 and 26.35 respectively. The 800-meter relay, which consisted of Kylie Ricketts, Dora Cervera, Azeala Garza and Kiana Brown placed 3rd with a time of 1:54.57. Kylie Ricketts jumped a height of 5ft 2in in high jump to be the district champion. Kiana claimed her 3rd individual district title this time in pole vault with a height of 9 ft. In long jump Azeala Garza placed 14 with a jump of 12 ft. 8.25 in., behind her was Izel Pacheco who placed 15 with a leap of 12 ft. 8in., and Audrie Strange placed 17 with a jump of 11ft 2in. Kiana placed 4th in triple jump with a leap of 31 ft. 1in. Kiara Collins with a throw of 28 ft. 5in. placed 6th in shot put. In discus Ali Gonzales threw 90 ft. 8 in. to place 3rd, Kiara Collins came in 5th with an 89 ft. 4in. and Stefanni Chavarria placed 9th with a throw of 74 ft.

In the JV girls division, DJ Green placed 8th in the 800 with a time of 3:15.81. In long jump Anyssa Sanchez placed 6th with a jump of 11 ft. 4.5 in. Brandy Green with a throw of 23 ft. 11in. in shot put placed her 4th while teammate Kaylea Britt placed 7th with a throw of 22ft. 3in.

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