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# Social Fly TX Floydada's coffee shop



By Kendall McCullough The Hesperian-Beacon

Lauren Rainwater grew up in a large city in Arizona. She met her future husband at a wedding and decided to move to Floydada to be close to him. She is a coffee enthusiast and enjoyed many coffee shops back home. So, after marrying her husband, with a belief in investing in this community, Lauren decided to open Social Fly TX.

Social Fly, co-owned by Lauren's mother, is a combination coffee shop, boutique shop, and also does marketing services. The lemonade and has a menu that changes daily. The gift shop features jewelry, clothing,



Photos by Kendall McCullough/The Hesperian-Beaco

purses, candles, Christmas ornaments, and much more.

Lauren tries to buy items that you cannot get within a 30-mile radius. She has gone to Vegas, Dallas, and next she's going to LA.

The marketing service offers logo designs, print, promotional products, website development, events, producing publication, employee manuals, apparel (pop-sockets, pens, notebooks), etc. They do anything to get your name out.

Social Fly has worked with many local companies such as Hair by Leigh, the Floydada Chamber, Floydada Coop Gin, coffee shop sells coffee, tea, hot chocolate, Diversity D, the Floyd County Record and others.

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# Newspaper group to sell

For The Hesperian-Beacon

CHILDRESS — The assets of Blackburn Media Group, Inc., namely The Red River Sun, The Post Dispatch, The Knox County News-Courier and The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon, will be sold in December to LK Media Group, LLC.

The two companies have been working diligently during November in anticipation of an early December close.

"I'm excited for the future of these publications and their online components," said Chris Blackburn, BMG CEO and publisher of the newspapers. "I don't think I could have handpicked a better buyer in terms of how they care about small towns. I can't speak to their vision for the future of these newspapers, but I'm confident in the quality of their

BMG was formed in 2005 with the Memphis Democrat becoming the company's first acquisition. The company expanded through 2008 purchasing several newspapers.

Blackburn said it will be strange to change careers.

"I honestly don't know what the future holds ... I don't guess any of us do," Blackburn continued. "I'm thankful I live in a country where there are options available. I'm looking forward to whatever the Lord places in front of me. It took me a long time to learn that if you trust in that relationship, you are better off."

# Springer files for reelection

Texas House Member Drew Springer has filed for reelection for House District 68.

"Rep. Springer is a Christian and a lifelong conservative who fights to preserve rural values, promote economic development, and excessive regulations that inhibit rural Texas," according to Springer's press release.

Springer supports measures to limit or eliminate abortion, and is a supporter of the Second Amendment. He is also a big proponent of border security. Springer voted to increase the budget of the Department of Public Safety to allow the deployment of extra law enforcement to the border without pulling law enforcement officers from other areas of the

In the 84th legislature, Springer passed pro-life legislation with a rare unanimous vote in the House.

According to the release, "late into the 85th session, the House Floor had ground to a halt over partisan politics. Rep. Springer gave a passionate speech on the house floor to break the gridlock and champion a bill that ultimately passed to establish the right of a patient with a chronic disease or terminal illness to use investigational stem cell treatment."

During the 86th Legislature, Springer was appointed Chairman of the House Agriculture and Livestock Committee.

"Using his leadership position, Rep Springer helped in guiding the House to pass meaningful school and tax reform See SPRINGER, Page 10

# 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.

### SANTA ON THE SQUARE - FLOYDADA

Floydada Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual "Santa on the Square" on Thursday, December 5th at 5:30 p.m. in downtown Floydada. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be at Nutthouse Designs. There will be hot chocolate, shopping and a beautiful Christmas card picture worthy backdrop. Don't forget to bring your cameras. Vendor spaces are FREE. Contact the Chamber of Commerce at 806.983.3434.

### MIRACLE ON MAIN LOCKNEY

Lockney Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual "Miracle on Main" on Saturday, December 7th at 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. in downtown Lockney. For vendor spaces call Priscilla at 806-401-1619 or Karen at 806-292-8519. Make plans to be there for lots of fun, shopping and of course, Santa.

### 5th ANNUAL COUNTRY CHRISTMAS BALL

Wendell Sollis and the Sidekicks All Star Band will host the 5th Annual Country Christmas Ball on December 7, 2019, at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center in Muncy, Texas. This year, the event will start at 6 p.m. with a catered meal furnished by River Smith's, followed by three hours of music by the twelve-piece band. Tickets are \$40 for individuals and \$400 for a reserved table of 8. Please call Dustee Sollis at 806-983-6228 for information on sponsorship or to get tickets.

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# Glass and Bigham named to Texas **State Shooting Sports Teams**



By Bill Glass Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Selection to the State team is more than just shooting. Individuals on the Texas State Shooting Sports Team are Ambassadors for Texas 4-H, their counties and their clubs on the National stage.



In the selection process shooting is only a small portion of the matrix used in selection. Individuals must be of high moral character and leaders in their club and

community. There are 45 individuals selected from Texas for the State shooting sports team



Courtesy photos

and we are very fortunate to have two of those outstanding young men selected to shoot at Nationals from Floyd County. This is a testament to the years of dedication and hard work of the Floyd County shooting sports coaches and leaders.

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interesting highlights here. CHRIS

moving to Before BLACKBURN Childress in December of 1991, I worked there a

couple of summers for my grandfather at the I remember the summer of 1990 in Childress

when the editor wanted me to go to a local nursing home and interview a World War II

The interview really broadened my horizon as the veteran was a member of the Flying Tigers who helped turn the tide of the war in favor of the United States over Japan.

Over the years I've had the pleasure of writing several memorable stories.

One of my favorite stories was a football playoff game involving Childress and Eastland. Hall of Fame Coach Charlie Johnston was going for his 300th win in 1999 in Vernon and the Childress side was overflowing with former players and fans.

The Bobcats did not disappoint as they put on a show and Johnston became the third high school coach in Texas to achieve the milestone.

Other topics I remember writing or being a part of (in no particular order) include:

• Thrilling football state championships for Munday, Wellington and Hollis.

· The Space Shuttle Discovery made a refueling a stop at Altus Air Force Base in 2005 and I took my young son Jackson over their to see it and take photos. Discovery was piggybacking on top of a 747 and it was a sight to behold!

· World Champion Stran Smith winning his tie-down roping title in 2008 was awesome.

• I remember receiving a bulletin from the Associated Press on Sept. 11, 2001, when

s this is my final a plane had crashed into the World Trade Center in New York City. By the time we went to press that afternoon it was clear that the world had changed forever.

• I traveled to Atlantic City, New Jersey in 1999 to cover Yanci Yarbrough in the Miss America Pageant. The former Miss Texas was ill and could barely speak but somehow managed to blow away the crowd singing New York, New York and finish in the top 5.

Being a member of the media, you get the chance to meet some pretty famous people. Some names you will recognize are: President George W. Bush, Judge Judy, Donny and Marie Osmond and George Strait.

Of course, in the news business, not all of the stories you write are happy ones. There have been plenty of sad ones as well.

I remember watching Carey Baptist Church burn to the ground as members of the congregation stood and watched knowing there was nothing they could do. Conversely, they rebuilt their church and it thrives to this

I lost my grandfather in June of 1995 and my mom and I worked side-by-side to get his obituary ready for publication that afternoon. It was tough day but one I wouldn't trade.

Speaking of obituaries, when I think of all of the friends I've lost, it boggles my mind.

In this business, the only thing that truly matters is getting the newspaper out and in the hands of readers. Staying up all night? I've had to do that more times than I'd like

We've had to bring in generators during power outages and I've even had to work from a hospital bed a couple of times.

When my sons were born, I worked from my wife's hospital room.

While I've taken vacations, I've never had the pleasure of taking one without having to work at least a day or two.

We were in Charleston, South Carolina years ago and I left my laptop (which was really my brain) in the vehicle we had rented for the the week. To this day, I don't know how my best friend was able to retrieve that thing

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# **Thornberry makes** statemen regarding outof-district candidates

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

**AMARILLO** Congressman Mac Thornberry issued following statement today about candidates running for the 13th Congressional District of Texas:

"When I announced that I would not seek reelection to Congress, I expected that there would be a number of candidates in the race. I did not expect, however, that there would be candidates for the 13th District who do not live in the District, did not grow up in the District, or have any meaningful ties to the people they wish to represent.

"Whether these outside candidates are from the DFW Metroplex the Lubbock region or elsewhere, I appreciate their desire to serve but believe they should run in their own

districts. Even if they buy or rent property in the District at the last minute, they cannot know or properly represent the people of the 13th District in my view.

"While the law does not require a candidate for Congress to live in the district, common sense does. To be a true representative, our next Member of Congress should understand agriculture, energy, local contributions to national security, and have a deep understanding of us and our way of life.

"There are a number of good candidates who have a long history within the 13th District for the voters to consider. Voters deserve to know how well each candidate truly knows us and how they intend to represent the people who hire them."

# The 501: Elephantine needs bigger meaning



lephantine needs bigger meaning Elephantine. That's my adjective Ito describe the nursery of our newest grandbaby, Haley Grace.

I know, I know. I'm using the word incorrectly. The room is not elephantlike. Elephants simply define the decor. Elephants are currently trending in nursery circles.

HANABA MUNN

Perfect timing for me to start a trend giving the word "elephantine" a welldeserved official second meaning, i.e., "elephant-themed." Elephantine rolls off the tongue and connotes elegance and sophistication - especially compared to the clunky term

"elephant-themed." My opinion. Yes, I like "tine" words. We go back a long way. My mother

once told me that's how I originally pronounced "time." As for fork tines, I learned that definition early in the

scheme of things. Mother was always talking about silverware. Our pitchfork had tines too. But really intriguing "tine" words didn't come my way until

later -- like Byzantine and serpentine. Can you think of some more "tine" words?

TINE PAUSE.

All I could come up with was Ovaltine. But I haven't yet Google-cheated.

GOOGLE PAUSE.

The first entry that pops onto the screen features some seven-letter "tine" words. As a Scrabble player, I can appreciate them all, from "routine" to "gratine." Doesn't "gratine" require an accent?

We digress.

One of the Scrabble words is "cystine," which makes me think of the Sistine Chapel. Cystine also makes me think of the little knot on top of my left foot. Can we assume cystine means cyst-like? If you're a biochemist, you're ahead of me. Cystine is a compound that's an oxidized dimer of cysteine. Neither Spellcheck nor I recognize the word "dimer." Spellcheck has once again endeared herself to me as a partner

Again we digress.

Down the page I see Argentine, a word I know from the vintage song "Tangerine." Do those two words rhyme in real life or just in song?

DICTIONARY PAUSE.

Short answer: They're allowed to rhyme.

Capitalized, Argentine is both adjective and noun and can rhyme with either "tine" or "tangerine." Same rule goes for argentine, an archaic word meaning "of or resembling silver" -- the perfect word to describe my archaic C-melody sax on which I play a pretty mean version of "Tangerine." Sometimes things just work out.

Have you read this far? You are hereby granted cult status. Back to those Scrabble words. One of them is "tontine." I think I know that word. Move over Tonto. I'm trying to think. Is "tontine" an architectural term? My best guess.

YOUR TURN TO GUESS.

A tontine is "an annuity shared by subscribers to a loan or common fund, the shares increasing as subscribers die until the last survivor enjoys the whole income." Maybe you knew

But did you know it was started by a Neapolitan banker, the late Lorenzo Tonti? It all makes sense in the Mafia context. Whoever kills off everybody else gets the money. Sometimes I understand financial stuff.

Back to Ovaltine. Somebody misspelled Ovomaltine on a trademark application. Mistakes happen and survive. Elephantine nursery. You heard it first right here.

the all-volunteer force.' A yearlong CR would also prevent a \$132 million award of 4,400 new living

Take On China And Russia: "To arm America's soldiers with the capabilities they will need to confront China's increasingly formidable military, the U.S. Army is undertaking its most comprehensive and ambitious reform in decades. Sadly, however, congressional dysfunction now

CR Slows Army Efforts To

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MEMBER

2019

By Mary M. Carter Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

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Helen Teeple open the meeting with prayer. Also, to our delight Janie Anderson brought donut holes and coffee.

Virginia Taylor, our Queen Mother, introduced our program speaker, Chancy Oliver. Lacy's Dept. Store was our program including a Style Show. Chancy started with some history. The owners are Hubert and Delores Price. Chancy Oliver is the co-owner.In Turkey in 1916 Jack and Velma Lacy, the grandparents, started Lacy's.

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# Continuing Resolutions have debilitating impacts

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Member of the House Armed Services Committee, made the following statement on reports that an additional Continuing Resolution will extend until December 20th:

"Reports that the next stopgap spending bill will extend until December 20th are disappointing and troubling. Such a late date makes a further stopgap beyond the 20th more likely. Every CR is wasteful and damages the ability of our military to carry out their vital missions. There is no excuse for this dysfunction. The compromise signed into law in July determined how much would be spent on defense this year, yet four months later nothing has happened. Congress needs to put aside other considerations, put the troops ahead of politics, and get it done now."

The Impacts of long-term Continuing Resolutions include:

"Debilitating": "Asthe Pentagon works to maintain its competitive advantage over Russia and China, partisan gridlock on Capitol Hill could jeopardize its modernization efforts...'A CR top-to-bottom is debilitating," chief Pentagon spokesperson Jonathan Hoffman said on Thursday, adding, "We

lose buying power. We lose predictability with our contracting. We lose our ability to train exercises."... For The Navy a CR Means

Canceled Training, Deferred Ship Repairs, and Fewer Ships at Sea: "In the Navy, an extended CR risks the delay of the aircraft carrier USS John C. Stennis returning to the fleet following refueling and upgrades. Additionally, training that sailors perform while at sea would be canceled, and ship maintenance periods would be deferred, Navy spokesperson Lt. Timothy Pietrack told ABC News... For Army CR "Knocks The

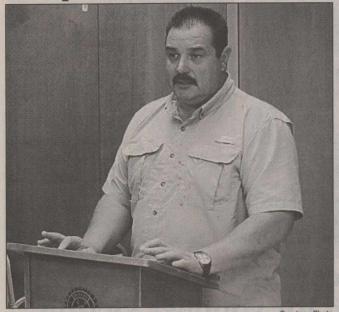
Wheel Completely Off And Sets It On Fire": "And for the Army, a continued delay in funding doesn't just throw a wrench in the wheel — it knocks the wheel completely is a yearlong CR, the Army's breakdown says, there could be a \$597 million reduction in activeduty and reserve entitlements - meaning salaries, housing allowances, bonuses, and more.

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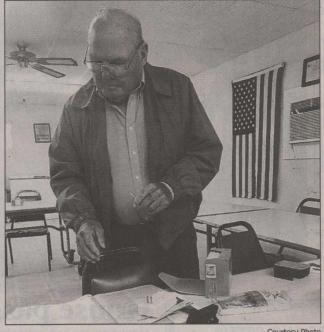
ensures the long-term viability of quarters, both for families and single soldiers; delay maintenance says. 'Maintaining a competitive said is their priority: People."

# SOCIETY

# Floydada Rotary



Reuben Deleon, Floyd County Sheriff Deputy, spoke to the Floydada Rotary Club about safety practices during the holidays.



LOCKNEY ROTARY— Keith Marble shared, "How to build a better mouse trap at the Lockney Rotary Club meeting. Keith, past President of Lockney Rotary Club, shares traps that will help rid rodent raiders.

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# Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - We have chosen two different ice makers to purchase and are waiting for our board meeting to finalize the authority to purchase. We should soon have ice once again!

Our next 2nd Tuesday Bingo Night will be December 10. Doors open at 5:30 and we begin play at 6 p.m. Our Bingo special includes meal, dessert, drink and 2 cards for \$5.00. Extra cards cost \$1.00 for one or \$2.00 for 3 cards. Prizes include meal vouchers, cash, and household items. The Progressive Bingo game is over \$100.00 cash.

We are in need of a volunteer delivery driver for one day or more. You will receive a delicious meal as payment for your time. The driver will report to the Center at 11:15. The deliveries take about 30 minutes.

Remember, Tuesday meals are \$4.00 meals. Check the menu to see what is offered each Tuesday.

Call us at 983-2032 for home delivery by 11:00 am. Our delivery drivers will begin delivering at 11:30.

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.

# Xcel Energy warns customers about scams

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

MINNEAPOLIS (November 20, 2019) - With a spike in reported utility scams this year, Xcel Energy is joining forces with Utilities United Against Scams (UUAS) to raise awareness on the fourth annual Utility Scam Awareness Day, November 20. UUAS is a group of more than 140 American and Canadian utilities and trade organizations dedicated to

down nearly 5,000 toll-free numbers used by scammers, since 2015. Despite this progress, scammers are growing more sophisticated and aggressive, and more people are falling prey to them nationwide. This year, residential Xcel Energy customers have reported more than a 400 percent increase in scams over 2018 and commercial customers have reported a 35 percent increase in scams compared to last year.

The Better Business Bureau says that the average loss for the victim of a utility scam is \$500.

"Xcel Energy is working diligently to help protect our customers from scams. We want customers to be aware and check their online account or use the mobile app to review their bill," said Chris Cardenas, vice president of Customer Care at Xcel Energy. "Calls from Xcel Energy about past due disconnection. bills will never include threats or demands for payment within the hour."

Increasingly, scammers are using technology that allows them to "spoof" a phone number, so when customers view caller ID the call appears to be coming from the utility company. Other consumers report receiving emails or even having scammers posing as utility company representatives knock on their door.

# How to spot a scam

Xcel Energy will never threaten to disconnect service immediately

without making a payment on the spot.

Scammers may instruct customers to buy a prepaid card, which are widely available at retail stores and work like cash. If a customer gives the scammer that card number, the money is gone and untraceable.

Be wary of calls that come in at night and on weekends. Xcel Energy

# Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY-The Fall Bazaar will be held Saturday, December 14. The booths so far include Pauline's hot sauce,, Joshua's baked good, Avon, jewelry, and Archie Jones' food booth. For booth information please call the Center at 806-652-2745.

Lockney Senior Citizens is a 501 c3 nonprofit organization, we receive no government funding, we rely on the generosity of our community. We appreciate any and all donations.

The Center will be CLOSED November 28 and 29 for Thanksgiving. We will also be closed on December 24 -January 1 for Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Breakfast is served here at the Center from 5:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday only. Lunch is served Monday thru Friday from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Be sure and call the Center by 9:30 a.m. if you would like to eat lunch at the Center. Our phone number is 806-652-2745. Remember to come exercise with us on Wednesday, and

Friday, 8:45 – 9:30 a.m. Coffee time - Monday- Saturday - 9:30-10:30 a.m. Our Thursday night potluck is from 5-9 p.m. Bring a dish

> **MENU** December 2 – December 6

and a friend and enjoy games afterwards.

Monday - Meatloaf Tuesday - Tacos - \$4 Wednesday - Fried chicken Thursday -Salmon

Friday - Roast (Menus subject to change without notice)

will only contact residential customers from 9 a.m.- 8 p.m. CST and business customers 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. CST.

Business customers should also be aware that scammers may call protecting consumers from scams. It has helped raise awareness and shut during peak business hours, with urgent threats that their service will be cut-off during their busiest times of day.

> Xcel Energy will not ask customers for personal bank account or credit card numbers to refund an overpayment of a bill. Overpayments are usually applied to future bills, or if they are refunded, that will only be done by mailing a check to the customer's address on file.

# How to protect yourself

If someone threatens you with immediate disconnection, hang up the phone, delete the email or shut the door. Customers with past due accounts receive an advance disconnection notification by mail. Xcel Energy never sends a single notification an hour or less before

Xcel Energy customers will never be instructed to purchase a prepaid card in order to avoid service disconnection. Xcel Energy and other legitimate utility companies will not specify how customers make their payments and always offer a variety of options to do so.

If you suspect you're being scammed, call Xcel Energy at the number on your monthly bill, go to "My Account" on XcelEnergy.com, or check the mobile app. Xcel Energy's customer service number is 1-800-895-4999. Customers should not call a different number provided by scammers.

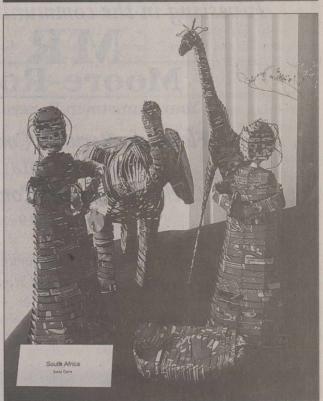
Consumers who believe they are victims of fraud, or who feel threatened

by a scammer, should contact local police.

The Federal Trade Commission's website has additional tips for consumers to protect themselves from fraud and options for reporting it: https://www.ftc.gov/news-events/media-resources/identity-theft-anddata-security/filing-complaint

# Nativity Scenes







Children are invited to see the unusual animals featured in many of Carolyn Cunningham's International nativity exhibits at the Floyd County Museum in Floydada. The exhibits will be open from 12 noon - 5 p.m. on weekdays and 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. on weekends. The exhibit will run through the end of January. Children must be accompanied by an adult. For more info call the museum at 806-983-2415. Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas. Shown is (top photo) Nativities from foreign countries that have unusual animals; (middle photo) Many of the nativities have elephants, giraffe's and even a flamingo; (bottom photo) Pictured are the metal donkeys, porcelain llamas, and even penguins.

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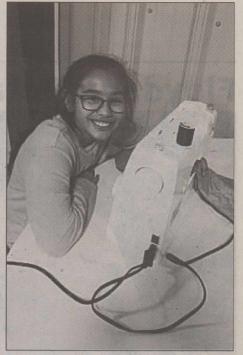
# **Christmas Stockings**



The Floyd County 4-H members got together to sew Christmas Stockings for soldiers as part of this community service projects. The 4-H Club is participating in the Soldiers Angels Stockings project. The club has sewn their 20 pledged stockings and on Monday, Dec. 2 they will fill the stockings.







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# House passes legislation allowing access to aid for younger victims of Alzheimer's Disease

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

WASHINGTON, DC --Young seniors in the early stages of dementia, including Alzheimer's disease, are a step closer to much needed support programs available under the Older Americans Act [OAA] with the passage in the House of Representatives earlier this week of the OAA Reauthorization, reports the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC].

The Reauthorization legislation would expand access to some OAA services to individuals under 60 years of age who suffer from early onset of the illness. It now goes to the Senate for a vote where it has broad-based bipartisan backing.

"The onslaught of dementia and Alzheimer's disease, in particular, has had a devastating impact on our nation in recent years. It is now the

sixth leading cause of death in the U.S. The number of people afflicted by Alzheimer's is fast approaching six million, including hundreds of thousands of individuals under the age of 65," according to AMAC's president Dan Weber.

Weber points out that in addition to "the tragic consequences" the disease has on its victims and their caregivers; it also has a major negative effect on the U.S. economy. In fact, he says, it is the most expensive illness plaguing America today, more costly than cancer and heart disease.

The Alzheimer's Association says Alzheimer's and other dementias come with a 2019 price tag of \$290 billion, including \$195 billion in Medicare and Medicaid payments. The Association estimates that by 2050 the disease will cost those two agencies \$770 billion.

Says Weber, "the House has

six new friends. When I asked him why he kept bringing new

Jesus said, "Love each other as I have loved you" (John 15:12).

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what others think and say. My eternal joy comes from God, who

has loved me and who will provide what I need and more to share

students, he said, "Because you loved me first, Ma'am."

with others. —Linda Chandra (Banten, Indonesia)

done its job with its passage of its more inclusive Older American Act Reauthorization. Now it is up to the Senate to ignore party politics and pass the reauthorization legislation so that it can be sent to President Trump in a timely fashion."

Senator Susan Collins, R-ME, is the founder of the Congressional Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease. As she put it in an Alzheimer's Association report, all Americans with the disease need to have access to the care, support and resources they need. "Whether someone is older than 60 or younger than 60 when he or she is diagnosed with Alzheimer's, the progression of this terrible disease is the same. Since Alzheimer's is not restricted by age, neither should the programs designed to assist these Americans and their families."

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After I decided to quit my job, I was able to open my house to any of the mountain-village children who wanted to learn English and mathematics for free. At first only one child, Imam, came. One day he asked me, "Why do you teach me for free?" I replied that I wanted to share what I have learned. Then he asked, "Why do you want to share with me?" I replied, "Because I love you."

When he asked me why I loved him, I said, "Because God has loved me first." The next day, he came with three friends. Then a few days later, he came with another two friends and the next day

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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.

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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

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

### **First United Methodist Church** Lockney

Rev. 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 Floydada

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.

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# 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.

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

# San Jose Catholic Church

Lockney Rev. Renato Cruz Parachial Vicar - Jacob Powell 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.

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Sunday School

# St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

Floydada Rev. Renato Cruz Parachial Vicar - Jacob Powell 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.

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# **West Side Church of Christ**

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# AGRICULTURE

# Farm bill meeting



Courtesy Pho

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service hosted a farm bill meeting on Wednesday, November 20, 2019. The event started at 8:30 a.m with registration and refreshments at the Floyd County Unity Center. a.m. The meeting was sponsored by Plains Land Bank. "This was a great opportunity for producers in our community to hear about changes to the farm bill," said Mark Carroll, AgriLife Extension agent, Floyd County. Topics and speakers included in this meeting were Overview of Topics – Carroll and Jackie Smith, AgriLife Extension economist, Lubbock; Demonstration of the Farm Bill Decision Aid Tool; Will Keeling, AgriLife Extension risk management specialist, Lubbock; Farm Bill Deadlines and Signup Details – Gerry Summer, U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency, Lubbock; Farm Bill Updates and Important Details – Shawn Wade, Plains Cotton Growers, Lubbock.

# Lubbock area Game Wardens seeking tips on dumped mule deer near Ransom Canyon

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

LUBBOCK -Lubbock game wardens are looking for anyone who has information about two dead mule deer that were dumped in Southeastern Lubbock county, near Ransom Canyon.

On Sunday November 17, wardens received a call about two mule deer which had been dumped on a road and were possibly hunted and/or killed illegally.

The deer were found near the intersection of CR 3600 and East CR 7000.

Once on scene, the wardens observed two dead mule deer, with the hindquarters left unharvested indicating a possible waste of game violation.

Evidence was taken on scene, but if any individual has information relating to this case, please contact a Lubbock County game warden or report anonymously at the Operation Game Thief hotline 800-792-GAME.

# 2019 Texas Wheat Symposium to be held

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

AMARILLO - - The Texas Wheat Symposium will be held Wednesday, December 4, in conjunction with the Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show in the Grand Plaza Room at the Amarillo Civic Center. The free event will begin at 10 a.m.

The symposium, which is hosted by the Texas Wheat Producers Association, will conclude with the Amarillo Ag Appreciation Luncheon, presented by the association and the Amarillo Chamber of

Commerce Ag Council.

"We are excited to have an excellent program that will address producers' questions about farm policy on both the state and national level," said Texas Wheat Executive Vice President Rodney Mosier.

Ray Starling will give the keynote address during the Amarillo Ag Appreciation Luncheon, which begins at noon. Starling served as Special Assistant to the President for agriculture and agricultural trade from February 2017 until June 2018. He was then appointed as Chief of Staff for U.S. Secretary

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of Agriculture Sonny Perdue, a role he held until June 2019. During his keynote address, Starling will discuss the current state of agricultural policy and offer insights from his time working in the Trump administration.

The morning agenda will feature:

NRCS Update from Darren Richardson, Assistant State Conservationist for Field Operations

Farm Policy Outlook from Dr. Joe Outlaw of the Texas A&M Agricultural and Food Policy Center Market Outlook from Dr. Mark Welch, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Economist

FSA Updates from Administrator Richard Fordyce and State Executive Director Gary Six

"The symposium will provide updates on some of the most important topics in the industry," said TWPA President Jody Bellah. "The outstanding program promises to benefit those both directly and indirectly involved in agriculture. We encourage everyone at the Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show to attend."

# Lubbock District Game Wardens Gearing Up for Mule Deer Saturation Patrol

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LUBBOCK SURROUNDING COUNTIES Lubbock district Game Wardens will be dedicating extra patrol hours and state assets to the Mule Deer season which in southwestern panhandle counties and runs this year from November 23rd -December 1st. Also, with the new season comes new a law regarding antler restrictions in Lynn County.

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

Lubbock district public information officer Aaron Sims says this is one of the busiest times of the season, and as such they have requested additional state assets. "The calls for service for local wardens dramatically increase during the nine days which also spans the Thanksgiving holiday. With our wardens covering a vast amount of territory answering calls, it is essential we bring in additional units from across the state to assist our district. Those wardens will work directly with local officers and county law enforcement to deterillegal hunting activities. Sims also acknowledges that even with the additional assistance, illegal hunting may occur outside the presence of the wardens. As such, he is asking the public to be extra vigilant in the coming weeks.

Among the general violations, wardens will be enforcing a minimum antler restriction width in certain

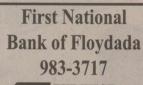
panhandle counties. Briscoe, Childress, Cottle, Floyd, Hall, Motley, and Lynn counties will have the restrictions in effect. A legal buck deer is defined as a buck with an outside spread 20 inches or greater. Any buck for which the outside spread of the main beams is less than 20 inches is NOT legal to harvest. Any buck with at least one unbranched antler (e.g., spike) is NOT legal to harvest, unless the outside spread of the main beams is at least 20 inches in width. This will be the first year Lynn County has adopted these regulations. Due to the new law, wardens have worked with local landowners, media, and area hunters to educate prior to the season opener.

As with prior years, the wardens will have the Texas Parks and Wildlife airplane to spot potential suspects from the air. Sims explains that having the eyes in the sky is important for the wide open rural geographic area. The pilot and spotter will be able to fly over the vast area and call out specific coordinates of suspected poachers to the wardens patrolling on the ground. The airplane, which will fly both during the day and night, will allow the wardens to see for miles in effort to deter illegal hunting activities. Additionally, Texas game wardens will be coordinating with their counterparts with the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish when state line issues arise.

The increased enforcement marks the sixth year in a row that game wardens from

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

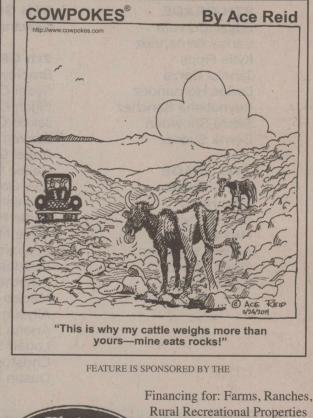
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# Floydada Whirlwinds



# 7th Grade Lady Winds



The Floydada 7th Grade Lady Winds hosted the New Deal Lady Lions 7th grade on Monday, November 18th. The Lady Winds were victorious over New Deal with a score of 37 - 12. Shown are Allyson Romero #15 and Kirsten Pyle #21.

# Duncan Kindergarten



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Duncan Elementary 5th graders began a unit on force. They did an experiment to see which type of balls would bounce the highest. They dropped 6 different types of balls and measured how high they bounced. They recorded their results and made a graph to

# **Honor Roll**

Floydada Junior High

# "A" Honor Roll

Edgar Cervera Carisa Fernandez Kylie Fipps Janeisi Garza Dalles Hernandez Reynatisha Sanchez Sierra Snowden Derrik Suarez

# **7TH GRADE**

Ava Gonzales Jake Hobb Kirsten Pyle Miranda Reyes Amelia Snowden Caleb Speed **Braxton Stark** 

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# Lockney Longhorns



The Floyd County 4-H Meat Judging Team participated in their first contest, November 9, 2019 in Lubbock. As a team, they placed 6th! A great start for a team brand new to the activity. Mark Carroll is the agent for Meat Judging. Pictured is Tyann Phillips, Kaylee McInvale, Avery McInvale, and Kaileigh Cook.



Lockney Junior High students are collecting non-perishable items to donate to Lubbock's Ronald McDonald House. Each grade is collecting the items through December 9th, when Lockney's 8th grade class will have the honor of delivering the items to the Ronald McDonald House. Pictured is Mrs. Bradley and her 7th grade math class with just a few of the items that's been donated.

# Floyd County 4-H Meat Judging Lady Horns beat Crosbyton, 50-38

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Madai Chavira led Lockney to a decisive victory Tuesday night over Crosbyton, with a 50-38 victory. Chavira, named to the Lone Star Varsity's Pre-Season Team, had seven in the first half and closed out the game with 15 to lead all scorers, while Adriana Villareal added 14 in the win.

The Lady Horns took a three-point lead into the locker room at the half, but outscored Crosbyton in the second half to secure the match. Both teams struggled from the free throw line but in the end, Lockney dominated the boards and closed out their Crosby County rival with second-chance points.

All of Lockney's basketball teams play on Friday night in Longhorn Gym against Spring-Lake Earth. The Girls JV will start the action at 4:00 pm, with the Boys JV team

LHS	P	35	FTM-FTA
Hernandez	5	1	0-0
Castillo	2	0	1-2
Villareal	14	0	4-6
Rosales	5	1	0-0
Cervantes	0	0	0-0
S.Bernal	0	0	0-2
Chavira	15	1	2-5
Y.Bernal	4	0	2-4
Ascencio	2	0	0-2
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CHS	P	.35	FTM-FTA
Coleman	0	0	0-0
Garcia	6	1	1-3
Fira	0	0	0-0
H. Haynes	0	0	0-0
Dunn	4	0	0-0
Sanchez	0	0	0-0
M. Marquez	2	0	0-0
Callaway	7	0	1-4
R. Haynes	7	1	0-2
Guerrero	9 .	.0	. 3-4
Davis	0	0	0-0
	38	2	5-13 (38%)

following at 5:00 pm. The Lady Horns will hit the court at 6:30 pm with the Longhorns jumping into play at 8:00 pm.



Lockney HS StuCo recently held a coat drive to help our kids at the Elementary this Winter. Thank you for your leadership!

# Honor Roll

**Lockney Junior High School** 

"A" Honor Roll 6th Grade Rebecca Blair

Ciara Hernandez

7th Grade Kaileigh Cook Sophie Gutierrez Brinley Lefevre

8th Grade Michael Hogan

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Adaliyah Jones Brailey Kidd

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# **Honor Roll**

**Lockney High School** 

"A" Honor Roll 9th Grade

Cristian Diego Ascencio Lexi Morgan Jackson Mullican Deacon Widener

10th Grade Gabriella Cervantes **Damion Gonzales** 

Austin Rodriguez

11th Grade RyAnn Castillo Kalebh Cook Hunter Lefevre Dylan Morgan

12th Grade Diego Azua Nehemiah Montoya "A/B" Honor Roll 9th Grade

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10th Grade Lola Benson Aidan Bustillos Nathan Ceniceros

Hunter Flick Julius Guerrero Quinten Johnson Samantha Longoria **Pablo Morales** J'Ann Pena Brianna Rodriguez

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### FLY From Page 1

Lauren and her husband, Eric, are involved in the community in other ways as well. Lauren is a member of the Floydada Chamber and her husband is a farmer and volunteer firefighter.

Lauren is well qualified to work in these areas. She got her degree in marketing services. She has also been in the fashion industry for a long time. She worked at Saks Fifth Avenue for a few years and worked in Dillard's Department Store in their corporate office for a

Lauren started the coffee shop in the summer and has been evolving from there. She also plans to expand

Lauren says, "I love meeting people, getting to know everyone, and have new things for them. I want people to feel welcome, cozy, and have things all ages can enjoy." She loves to be creative and help people. I enjoy helping people create a beautiful environment for themselves. We serve yummy drinks, and love to dress you and your house and furnish your business with all the essentials."

Social Fly also has periodic events. On Dec 9th from 4-8 p.m., she will have a Sip and Shop with food, drinks, and giveaways.





### STATE From Page 1

Ryder Glass, a junior at Floydada High School, was selected as a member of the State Recurve Archery team. Ryder is the son of Bill and Sonya Glass.

Bill Glass will serve as coach for the State Recurve Archery

Wyatt Bigham, an 8th grader at Lockney Junior High, was selected as an alternate for the small-bore pistol team and an alternate for the Hunting and Wildlife team. Wyatt is the son of Clint and Teresa Bigham.

A big thank you goes to the local 4-H coaches Patty

# SPRINGER From Page 1

history without the threat

of a court order," the release

now provide approximately

school property taxes by an

average of 8 percent in 2020,

and 13 percent in 2021. These

reforms also limit the increase

of school M&O taxes at

2.5%, with the schools being

for the first time in modern funded more from the State than local property taxes and at the same time, increasing continued. "These reforms the funding for rural schools, primarily to the teachers." \$5 billion in tax relief, lower

Davenport (archery) and Jerry

Chappell (shooting). And

to Mark Carroll, the Floyd

Championships will be held in

Grand Island, Nebraska in June

Pictured is: (left photo)

Ryder competing last year at

Graham at the State Indoor

Archery Match; (middle photo)

Wyatt Bigham (left) and Ryder

Glass (right); (right photo)

Wyatt practicing his small-bore

pistol with Jonathan Susaita

of Lockney, 4-H volunteer,

National

4-H

County 4-H leader.

of 2020.

watching.

When asked comment, Rep. Springer aid, "Representing HD 68 is an honor and a privilege for which I hope I have earned the community's support to continue doing so in 2020."

would be significant,' he said... It would also force the Air Force to keep flying F-15Cs for longer than it expected, resulting in further cost increases due to the extensive maintenance needed to keep the aging fighters, plagued by structural health issues, in the air...

Air Force Can't Re-Arm or Close the Pilot Shortage: "A sixmonth CR would also hit the Air Force's effort to re-arm. It would reduce munitions procurement by 1,000 tailkits to convert unguided bombs into guided Joint Direct Attack Munitions, as well as cut 99 Sidewinder air-to-air missiles and 665 Small Diameter Bomb II munitions....It would also scuttle the Air Force's plans to

UPCOMING From Page 1

FLOYDADA ISD CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

Everyone is invited to join the Floydada ISD for their Christmas Open House on Wednesday, Dec. 18 from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. located at 226 W. California, Floydada.

LOCKNEY CHAMBER BANQUET

The Lockney Chamber has moved their annual banquet to January 25, 2020. We are needing nominations for 2019 Citizen and Business of the Year. Nominations will be accepted til Dec. 31, 2019. To nominate, please send your letter to PO Box 477, Lockney, Texas 79241 or give it to a Chamber member. More exciting details about the banquet will be coming soon. You won't want to miss it!

NATIVITY COLLECTION FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM NEW HOURS Carolyn Cunningham will be available Monday - Friday from 12 noon - 6 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. to show her International Nativity Collection. Nativities are located in the Barrow Building at the Floyd County Historical Museum, located at 105 E. Missouri Street, Floydada. The nativities will be displayed through the end of January. Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas. For private tours call the museum at 806-983-2415.

grow its total force end strength by 4,400, he said, which would hurt its efforts to grow vital - and undermanned — career fields such as operations, maintenance, space, cyber, and intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance. Efforts to fix the pilot shortfall would take a hit, cutting \$123 million from undergraduate flight training, Goldfein said. This would mean contractor instructor pilots would be reduced, a new maintenance training center's opening would be delayed, and trainer fleet maintenance would be delayed..."

# **PAPERBOY** From Page 2

for me. The stress level of that mishap was off the chart.

Being a small town newspaper man has been rewarding and challenging. I was taught to be objective and fair in college and by my grandfather. I had to run the names of friends and family in unflattering ways and sometimes I was the recipient of much anger as

I'm sure you've heard the saying, "don't shoot the messenger." Often times people place the blame on the publication rather than the individual responsible for the transgression. Without question, in this industry, you'd better develop some think skin or you will get

So there you have it friends, some final thoughts on a worthwhile career. It's been an honor and a privilege. I wish you all of the best moving forward and I sincerely hope you continue reading and supporting your local newspaper. God bless you and goodbye!

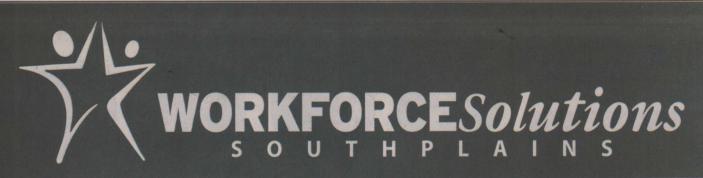
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### IMPACTS From Page 2

presents a major obstacle to ensuring that America's soldiers can prevail in a future great power conflict...The Army has worked overtime to identify dozens of older weapons and systems to cut in order to create budget space for 31 top modernization priorities. As a result, for the fiscal year that started last month, the Army needs Congressional approval and funding for an unusually important array of new programs...

"Plague Readiness": "A dayto-day slip for a budget deal risks putting our service in a situation where we cannot recover from the effects of a continuing resolution,' Army Secretary Ryan McCarthy said in a statement to ABC News. 'Each day that passes has the potential to severely impact and plague readiness at the individual and collective training level.'... 'Without an approved budget, we are unable to build 4,400 new homes and will be forced to delay the repair of another 269 homes,' McCarthy said..."

Aging Jets Will Stay in the Force Longer Than Planned: "It's truly damaging for all the services, and certainly the United States Air Force, 'Goldfein said... 'Even if a CR only lasts for six months, the effects



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