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Floyd County Fair: More events, more entries for 3 days of fun Sept. 11-13

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

A tradition that dates back to the early 1900s returns this week—the Floyd County and Surrounding Areas' Fair—on Sept. 11-13 at the fairgrounds in Lockney. The event is free.

Festivities kick off Friday morning at 9 a.m. SunEdison/Mortensen will be a sponsor on Friday which is School Day and will provide books on energy for children, and they hope to have a wind turbine blade for all to see. There will also be a dog agility demonstration at 9 a.m. on School Day.

On Saturday key events for the fair include a trap shoot at noon, the parade, washer pitching at 1 p.m., the stock show, the canned goods, arts and crafts and agriculture exhibits at 4 p.m., and a talent show Saturday evening at 6 p.m..

Stock show entries will be taken starting at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday morning with weigh in, and the stock show will begin immediately following weigh-in.

The parade will be on Main Street in Lockney at 2 p.m., and everyone is invited to participate. Simply arrive about 30 minutes before the parade to line up.

Everything about this year's fair is bigger, according to Darlene Broseh with the fair.

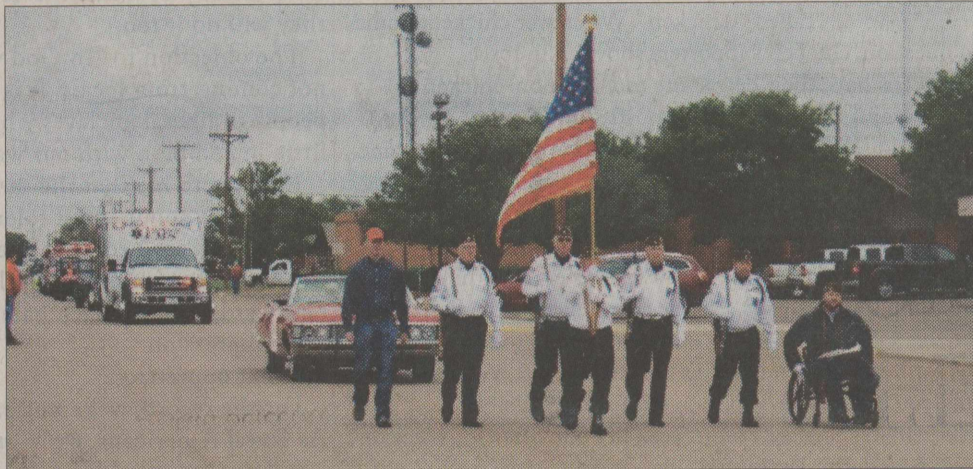
"The stock show has tripled its entries, and the variety show will have 20 acts," she said. She said there will also be more art and photography entries.

There will be all kinds of food booths throughout the three days of events, including barbecue as a fundraiser for the Special Olympics. There will also be arts and crafts vendors.

On Sunday there will be a pet show for adults and children. All animals will need to be on a leash, Broseh said, please no aggressive animals.

Sunday at 3 p.m. there will be a pedal tractor pull.

If you're interested in entering the canned goods and arts and crafts competition, the fair will take entries on Thursday evening from 4:30 to 7 p.m..



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2014 Floyd County Fair Parade

There will be judges for the canned goods and arts and crafts entries and ribbons will be given.

The Assister Pumpkin Train will be at the fair Saturday and Sunday.

For more information about the fair contact Darlene Broseh at 806-685-1080.

For more information about entering the stock show contact Miguel Guerrero at 806-549-1951.



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2014 Floyd County Fair Stock Show

Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden to Visit West Texas Pumpkin Farm in Floydada in Preparation for Autumn at the Arboretum

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

In preparation for one of "America's Best Pumpkin Festivals" according to Fodor's Traveland its nationally acclaimed Pumpkin Village, the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden will pay a visit to the West Texas source of the majority of its 75,000 pumpkins, gourds and squash that make up the impressive and notable display for the Autumn at the Arboretum festival that runs September 19 to November 25 in Dallas, Texas.

Dave Forehand, Dallas

Arboretum's vice president of gardens, said, "We are thrilled to get to visit Pumpkin Pyle Farm in Floydada, Texas, the 'Pumpkin Capital of Texas' and the birthplace of many of our pumpkins, which play such a huge role in our fall festival."

The highlight of Autumn at the Arboretum is the nationally acclaimed Pumpkin Village, which is created with more than 75,000 pumpkins, gourds and squash by the talented horticulture team. Forehand added, "As we say, 'Every-

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Courtesy photo

Officials from the Dallas Arboretum will be visiting the Pumpkin Pyle farm in Floydada Wednesday as they prepare to create one of the most noted displays of pumpkins in the country.

Quanah Parker's Star House to be Restored

By Hanaba Munn Welch
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

CACHE, Okla. — Star House, former residence of Comanche Chief Quanah Parker, stands tall and commands a premier space amid an abandoned collection of historic buildings, junk and amusement park elements in a place called Eagle Park at the north edge of Cache, Okla. The Comanche Nation has set its sights on restoring the famous house.

Emblazoned with white stars painted on its red roof, the historic frame building, now owned and maintained by a non-family member, represents the legacy of Chief Quanah not only as a leader

of his people but also as businessman who enjoyed friendships and business dealings with the prominent cattle ranchers of his day — men like Charles Goodnight and Samuel Burk Burnett, who carved out their own legacies in the cattle industry in Texas, Oklahoma and beyond.

Comanche Benny Tahmahkera, wearing a head-dress and other regalia, took on the persona of Quanah Parker Saturday at Star House to give a "first-person" version of how the house came to be built:

"I wanted a house," he said. "I asked the Indian agent here for a house. They said I had too many wives."

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Courtesy photo

Chief Quanah Parker, portrayed by Benny Tahmahkera, strides across the yard of Star House at Cache, Okla., Saturday to address descendants of Quanah Parker about the future of the house, ravaged not only by time but also by recent floodwaters from nearby Cache Creek. In his hand is an eagle feather fan. Tahmahkera has played Quanah in the Palo Duro Canyon outdoor pageant "TEXAS" and on other occasions. His enactment Saturday was at the behest of Comanche Nation Chairman Wallace Coffey.

Punkin Day Decorating Contest Reminder from Floydada Chamber

By Darolyn Snell
Floydada Chamber-President
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture has been working hard to finalize the plans for the 28th Annual Punkin Day Celebration which is scheduled to be held on Saturday, October 10, 2015, on the square in downtown Floydada.

Prior to the festivities to take place on that day, remember that judging for the Best Decorated Home and Best Decorated Business will take place Thursday morning of October 8th. So make sure

your display is ready! And if you are concerned that our judges might miss you, give us a quick call or drop us an email and make sure we have your address. We at the Chamber want to encourage all of our businesses and citizens to get into the spirit and show all the visitors we will have that day just how proud of our community we are.

The Chamber also wants to encourage you to keep your eyes on the Hesperian-Beacon in the upcoming weeks because we have a few changes and additions to our plans for this year's event and hope you See PUNKIN DAY, Page 2

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.

FLOYD COUNTY FAIR

The Floyd County Fair will be held September 11, 12 & 13th at the fairgrounds in Lockney. For more info on the activities and times see the article on the front page of this week's Hesperian-Beacon.

WHIRLWIND ALL-SCHOOL PEP RALLY

Floydada will hold an All-School Pep Rally on Friday, Sept. 11 at 2:45 p.m. in the Whirlwind Gym. Come out and show your support for the Whirlwinds as they take on the Lockney Longhorns.

WHIRLWIND vs LONGHORNS

The Floydada Whirlwinds will play the Lockney Longhorns at Lockney on Friday, Sept. 11 for the Floyd County Championship. Game time is 7:30 p.m. Go out and show your support for these teams.

FLOYD COUNTY FARM BUREAU MEETING

Floyd County Farm Bureau Annual meeting will be held at the Unity Center on Tuesday, September 29, 2015. Senator Charles Perry will be our special guest. Please RSVP for dinner by Monday, September 21, 2015 by calling 806-983-3777.

3RD ANNUAL FLOYDADA FIRE DEPARTMENT CAR SHOW

The Floydada Fire Dept will be hosting their 3rd Annual Car Show at Floydada's 28th Annual Punkin Day to be held on Saturday, Oct. 10. Setup time is 8 - 11 a.m. Any questions please contact Rusty Hopper at 806-559-0058 or Chad Guthrie at 806-292-8122. All proceeds to benefit the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department.

FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

To make memorial donations or any contribution to the Floyd County Historical Museum, please mail to PO Box 304, Floydada, Texas 79235

Correction

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

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The 501 Mad about Chickens

Chickens are in. Go to any city council meeting when either hen or rooster ordinances are on the agenda. The chicken people come out of the woodwork. Hold that thought.



HANABA MUNN WELCH
I don't know about you, but the idea of people coming out of woodwork has always fascinated me. I see baseboards and doorjams. Give each emerging person a chicken, and you've got a bizarre scene -- people in overalls, each with a big white Leghorn hen under one arm, each with boot toes still behind the baseboards. Imaginary scenes are the best. Right? The overalls are striped. Back to reality. Back to chickens. Chickens have a strong fan base, not all in overalls. Chickens even have their own magazine. I saw it at the farm store. It's called "Chicken." Whenever chickens come into question, chicken supporters show up in force.

Chickens have their detractors too. The non-chicken people, or anti-chicken people, mostly lurk in the background. That's how it is when you don't have a magazine. As chickens surge in popularity, chicken ordinances are being scrutinized everywhere. Battle lines are getting scratched in the turf and strategies are hatching. If you're chicken-neutral, you may get pulled into the fray. Throw in roosters, and things get more complicated. There's also the free-range contingent. Who's right? It's sort of like figuring out who's who in the Middle East.

As for me, I'm friends with a chicken activist. What else would you call a chicken person with a PowerPoint?

Her name is Shelley. I didn't seek her out. She's the niece of a good friend. But I'm on her side.

It all started when Shelley ran afoul of the law -- specifically an ordinance that kept her from keeping chickens in her own backyard. In fact, in the medium-sized town where Shelley lives, the law requires a mansion-sized land parcel for anyone who wants to keep chickens within the city limits.

Eggzactly how big a lot? Would you believe the henhouse must be at least 300 feet from the property lines of the neighbors? Think football fields in all directions.

In other words, it's effectively a no-chicken town. Roosters are specifically excluded. Shelley didn't even have a rooster -- just a few law-breaking laying hens. Her neighbor complained. Cluck, cluck. Shelley had to get rid of her hens. They all had names. She cried. So did her son in middle school -- the one who plays sports and is a big man on campus. He has a heart for chickens. Who knew?

Shelley's only hope of getting her hens back (except they died after the eviction) is to get the ordinance changed. She showed her PowerPoint to the city council. Chicken people showed up out of the proverbial woodwork. Everyone's calling her the Chicken Lady.

If Shelley wins this campaign, alligators are next. She's against them. They eat chickens. Meanwhile, I'm not sure what's so great about chickens. I haven't seen the PowerPoint.

I think maybe I'm just a fan of the Chicken Lady. Go Shelley.

The Paperboy Four little words pack some punch

In God we trust. Do those four make you angry? They sure do some. In a society where you can print anything - and I mean anything - on a t-shirt, people get up in arms over "In God we trust."



CHRIS BLACKBURN
The Childress Police Department has made national news in the last week for putting these four words, which happens to be the motto of the country, on their patrol vehicles.

My company is paying for the decals and has offered to do so to other nearby departments. It looks like they will do it too.

The objection to "In God we trust" is not coming from locals. It is coming from people in liberal enclaves which have very little in common with our way of life.

It seems to me that the same liberal people who shout about tolerance, are the most intolerant people in the country.

They call us names and call us backwards. They preach hate and want to "end oppression."

What oppression? For the record, we're not backwards. As Rural Americans, we're grounded in our thoughts, words and deeds. Is that so wrong?

In my opinion, people should stop worrying what law enforcement has on their vehicles and start worrying about the sorry state of this country.

With racial discourse and 96 million people out of the work force, we've got huge problems that no one is addressing, but I digress.

So why did I decide to pay for the stickers? Law enforcement in this country is

nervous. They are being targeted and executed. Departments thought it would be a good idea to show solidarity by putting the slogan on their vehicles and I believe in taking care of law enforcement.

One other observation since this began to hit the fan last week: These Amarillo stations which have come here in an effort to report on this are not our friends. Look at their stories. Look at the headlines on their websites. They try and paint a picture of angry locals protesting what we're doing.

The only calls we've received here are from the news. We don't have people marching against us. CPD doesn't have people picketing them.

These "journalists" from these larger cities are purposefully trying to stir the pot and put us in a bad light.

Well, I'm calling them out. They are full of crap and people need to know it. Just because you live in Amarillo, a town I grew up in, you honestly believe you are somehow better, smarter or more in tune with OUR public than we are? Give me a break.

Look folks, it's past time for us to sit quietly in the corner while leftist idiots cram their ideology down our collective throat.

If you can't handle "In God we trust," then your problems are deep. And before you pick on law enforcement, go talk to the federal government and tell them to take the slogan off of the currency. Until then, mind your own business.

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thing is bigger in Texas.' This is a record-breaking number for the Arboretum's Autumn display, so it is only fitting to recreate an Old Texas Town in our Pecan Grove."

The cooler weather, deep colors of fall foliage including 150,000 fall-blooming flowers, the artfully arranged hay bales and cornstalks and the many pumpkins in the 66-acre garden create a myriad of photo opportunities and fun activities for Arboretum guests to experience during the festival. Autumn at the Arboretum is the Southwest's largest fall festival and the definite autumn experience south of New England.

On Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at 1 p.m. the Dallas Arboretum will visit Pumpkin Pyle Farms in Floydada, Texas.

Pumpkin Pyle Farms - 900 North Second Street, Floydada, TX 79235

To learn about the beginning stages of the Dallas Arboretum's nationally acclaimed pumpkins.

The 66-acre Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden is an internationally acclaimed display garden with seasonal festivals and breathtaking color year-round. Boasting almost a million visitors every year, it is also noted by The Travel Channel as one of the Best Botanical Gardens in the U.S.

For more information on Autumn at the Arboretum, any of the events or the Dallas Arboretum, call 214.515.6500 or visit www.dallasarboretum.org.

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will enjoy them all.

Remember you can contact the Floydada Chamber of Commerce at (806) 983-3434, by email at manager@floydadachamber.com or on the web at www.floydadachamber.com/punkin-days.

There is everything pump-

kin and something for the whole family to do at the annual Punkin Days festival on October 10, 2015. We have a great day planned and look forward to seeing everyone downtown for a great day in Floydada, Texas- "Pumpkin Capital USA!"

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Remember Exercise with Dorothy - Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8:45 - 9:15 a.m.

Coffee time - Monday- Saturday - 9:30-10:30 a.m.; Thursday night pot luck- 6:00-9:00 p.m. Come bring a dish and enjoy the games after supper.

Family Night Fish Fry every Friday night from 5 - 8 p.m. Come join us for lots of food fun and fellowship.

MENU

September 14 - September 18

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Assignment: Texas

The Rolling Plains Quail Research Ranch seeks assistance in locating missing birds

Wildlife watchers and hunters in the Texas Rolling Plains are asked to be on the lookout for leg banded or radio collared scaled quail this fall. Dale Rollins, director of the Rolling Plains Quail Research Ranch (RPQRR) near Roby, Texas makes the request as part of an on-going research study that tracks the movements of the bird and their propensity to repopulate a range where their numbers were once much stronger.



RUSSELL GRAVES

The study, called Operation Transfusion, is a multi-county research effort designed to relocate scaled back to habitat where they've long been extirpated. A total of 120 scaled (or blue) quail were relocated to the Matador Wildlife Management Area (WMA) in Cottle County and an additional site in Nolan County.

The goal of Operation Transfusion is to gather data to evaluate the efficacy of translocating wild-trapped quail into recently vacated ranges as a means of "jump-starting" otherwise faltering populations. Some of the released birds are radio collared and their movements and survivability are monitored.

Scaled quail were historically common across the western Rolling Plains but their abundance declined sharply around 1988 and has remained at only remnant levels since that time. The cause for the decline is poorly understood, but may include disease or habitat change. For whatever reason, scaled quail have failed to recolonize former habitats and their abundance has remained

well below the long-term mean.

RPQRR researchers are attempting to stem the tide on the decline.

Dale Rollins says that the early reports from the Matador WMA release site are encouraging. "Of the the 86 scaled quail we released there, 14 are missing," he says. "Of those, we know that eight of the 14 missing birds were still alive as of August 21st near the Matador WMA."

As such, people from the Rolling Plains are asked to report scaled quail where they haven't seen them in the past five years so that their population expansions can be tracked. In addition, Rollins says that for research sake, they'd love to have information on any bird that his team has tagged and released.

"We'd like to have information on any leg-banded birds someone may shoot," says Rollins. "No, they're not in trouble. We just need a report of where the bird was killed to supplement our data on movements. Of course, we'd like the transmitter back if any radio collared birds are found."

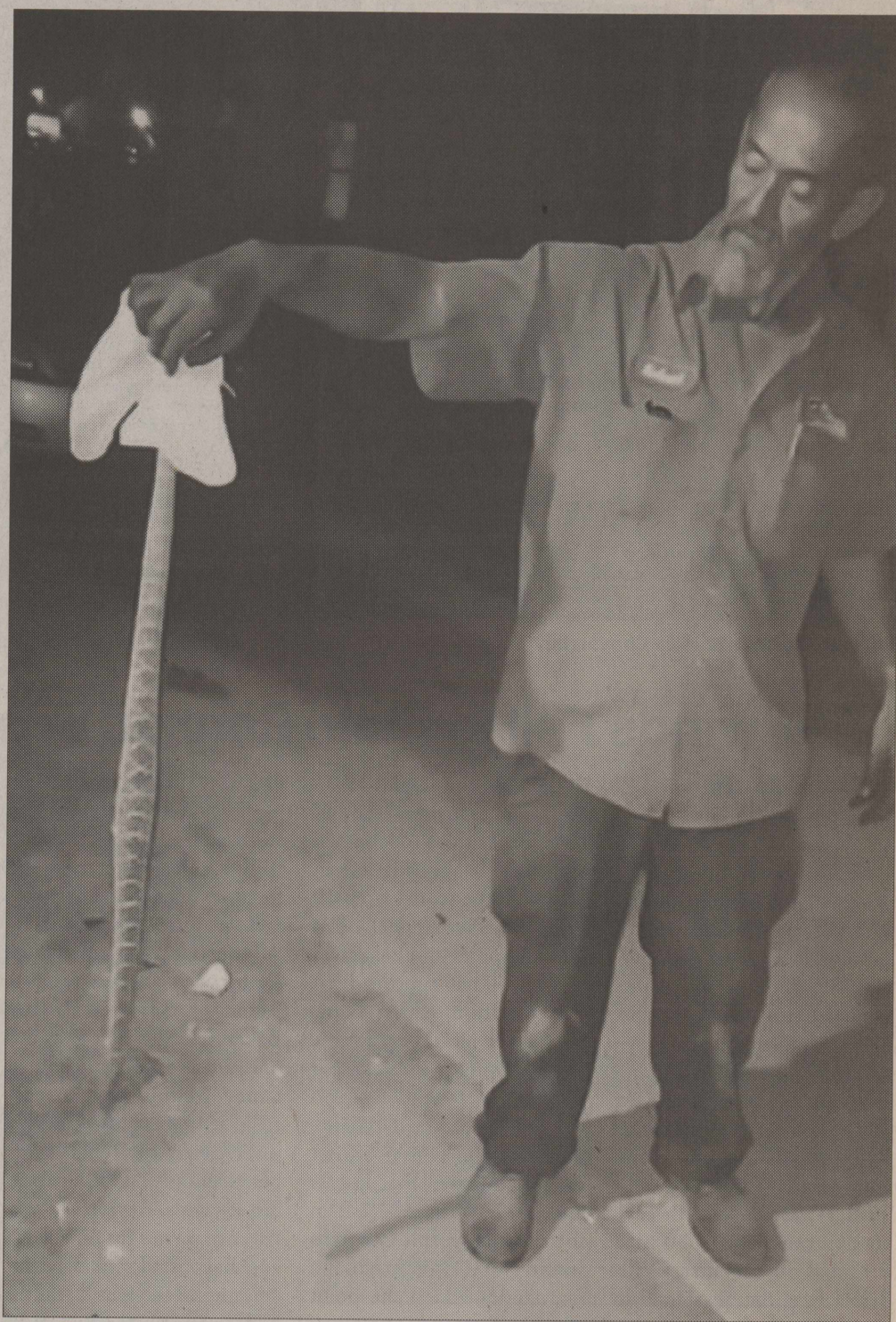
If you would like to report a scaled quail sighting were you haven't seen one in a while or if you recover a band or a radio transmitter, contact Dale Rollins at drollins@quailresearch.org.



About the Ranch

The Rolling Plains Quail Research Ranch is a 4,720-acre ranch in Fisher County, Texas. The ranch's aim is to provide land managers, and other stakeholders, with timely, relevant technology and management schemes for enhancing quail populations in the Rolling Plains of Texas. In doing so, the ranch hopes to sustain the "quail dynasty" that has supported hunters, ranchers, local economies, hunters, and the quails themselves.

Beware of rattlesnakes



BEWARE! Robert Perez of Floydada killed this rattlesnake in his backyard last Thursday night, Sept. 3. It measured 38" long. Mrs. Perez informed us that their grandkids had just come in the house from playing in the backyard. She said, "Robert went outside to see what their dog was barking at and found this snake already coiled up ready to strike". Shown is Robert Perez holding the dead rattlesnake.

Courtesy Photo

Wildfire season is here

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

SAN ANGELO – Wildfire season is here and there's fuel to burn.

That's the assessment of Dr. Morgan Russell, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service range specialist at San Angelo. She said during the week of Aug. 9, the Texas A&M Forest Service responded to 68 fires on 22,519 acres. Large fires were reported in Kimble, Edwards, Tom Green and Crockett counties.

"Extremely hot temperatures, low humidity, large amounts of dry grass and increasingly windy conditions are the perfect recipe for cooking up a very busy fire year," Russell said.

Russell said the National Preparedness Level that monitors fuel and weather conditions, fire activity and resource availability for the Texas Interagency Coordination Center at Lufkin was

increased to Level 5, the highest level, on Aug. 13. "Given the continuing hot and dry weather and the major increase in fire activity, the decision to move to Preparedness Level 5 shows the complexity fire managers are facing to assure adequate firefighting resources are available to protect life, property and our state's natural resources," she said.

Russell offered the following "watch-out" potential wildfire situations to keep in mind over the coming months if dry weather lingers:

- Watch for fires starting in bar ditches along roadways, often caused by cigarettes or idling vehicles. Report the fire immediately to local authorities and clearly state the location.
- Watch for dragging trailer safety chains that can easily spark roadside fires.
- Watch for sparks coming from tire rims running on flat tires.

• Keep all firefighting resources such as slip-in pickup pumper units and sprayers filled and ready.

- Be aware of active county burn bans in your area.
- Be careful when welding and when using a chainsaw.

"Hunting season has started and with it will come an onslaught of off-road vehicles," Russell said. "When driving anything – pickups, utility task vehicles or UTVs and ATVs through pastures, be aware that idling the vehicle in tall, cured grass can quickly spell disaster. Also, know that grass seed heads impacting the exhaust manifold can start fires.

"If conditions remain as they are, there will probably be some fires set by Mother Nature, but as a rule, most fires start from human carelessness," she said. "Or, simply not realizing that some common practices, given the right conditions, can actually spark a fire.

"If we all remain vigilant and observant, hopefully we can stay safe until this wet El Nino weather system that's been talked about so much arrives this fall."

For more information, contact Russell at 325-657-7317, morgan.russell@ag.tamu.edu.

Fall Earth kind landscape practices

Article from Texas A&M Earth Kind Web Site: <http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/earthkind/files/2010/10/fallpractices.pdf>

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Fall is an excellent time of the year for a variety of Earth Kind landscaping activities. Before beginning your fall projects, take a moment to review these suggestions to ensure that you are contributing to a healthy and sustainable landscape environment.

Fall Planting:

Fall is an excellent time to establish new plants in the landscape. Cooler temperatures and occasional rainfall create ideal growth conditions for a variety of trees, shrubs, annuals and perennials. The Earth Kind Plant Selector is an excellent tool for identifying highly adapted plants for specific gardening areas throughout the state. This searchable database provides information on over 1,000 commonly used landscape plants. Those with an Earth Kind Index value of 8 or above will significantly contribute towards creating a healthy and sustainable landscape. Visit the Earth Kind web site for more information and access to the EK Plant Selector.

Fertilization:

Fall fertilizer applications are very common and typically recommended to prepare plants for winter. The type and amount of fertilizer to apply should be based on the results of a soil test. In the absence of this information, 1-2 pounds of actual nitrogen per 1,000 sq., from a no/low phosphorus fertilizer material, generally meets the needs of

most plants. Fertilizer applications should be directed toward landscape beds and turf areas and away from streets, walks, drives and other hardscape areas. Remember - misapplication (not type or amount of fertilizer used) is the most frequent cause of surface and groundwater contamination.

Mulching:

A 2-4 inch layer of mulch is an excellent means of holding in valuable soil moisture, suppressing weed growth, moderating soil temperature and providing winter protection for tender plants. Since organic mulches break down over time, a re-application in the fall is generally required/recommended. It's usually a good idea to mulch after planting fall annuals and perennials. Mulching is a valuable Earth Kind practice that can preserve valuable natural resources and contribute to the aesthetic appearance of the landscape.

Leaf Management:

In the fall, many yards are virtually covered by leaves from deciduous trees. Disposing of these leaves can create a significant burden on landfills and municipal compost facilities. Earth Kind leaf management practices provide the opportunity to use this valuable natural resource to improve a landscape's health and appearance. Following are some leaf management options.

Mowing/Shredding:

A light covering of leaves can be mowed, simply leaving the shredded leaves in place on the lawn. This technique is most effective when a mulching mower is used. In fact, during times of light leaf drop or if there are only a few small trees in your landscape, this technique is probably the most efficient and easiest way to manage leaf accumulation.

Mulching With Leaves:

Using leaves as a mulch is a simple and effective way to recycle this organic material and improve the landscape. Leaves can be used as a mulch in vegetable gardens, flower beds and around shrubs and trees. Apply a 3 to 6 inch layer of shredded

leaves around the base of trees and shrubs. In annual and perennial flower beds, a 2 to 3 inch mulch of shredded leaves is ideal. Mulches are especially beneficial when used around newly established landscape plants, greatly increasing the likelihood of their survival.

Soil Improvement:

Leaves may be collected and worked directly into garden and flower bed soils. A 6 to 8 inch layer of leaves tilled into a heavy, clay soil will improve aeration and drainage. The same amount tilled into a light, sandy soil, will improve water and nutrient holding capacity.

A recommended strategy for using leaves to improve soil in vegetable gardens and annual planting beds is to collect and work them into the soil during the fall. This allows sufficient time for the leaves to decompose prior to spring planting. Adding a little fertilizer to the soil after working in the leaves will hasten their decomposition.

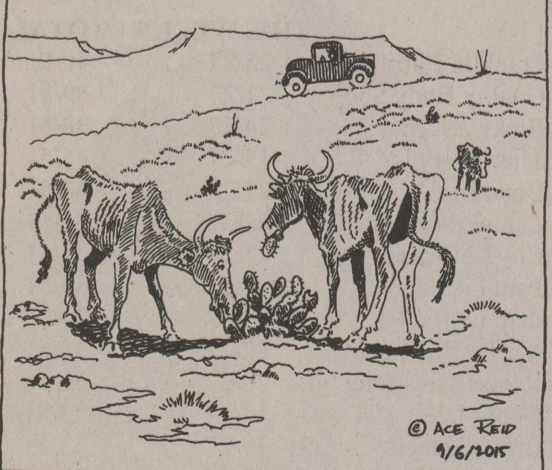
Composting:

To prepare compost, organic material, microorganisms, air, water and a small amount of nitrogen are needed. Microorganisms break down the organic material. The nitrogen, air and water provide a favorable environment for the microorganisms to decompose the organic materials and make compost. Air is the only ingredient which cannot be added in excess. A lack of nitrogen to "feed" the microorganisms will greatly slow the process, while an excessive amount is wasteful and can kill the microorganisms. Too much water limits the amount of air (oxygen) available to the microorganisms, greatly inhibiting their activity. As composting occurs, heat is generated, often causing temperatures to rise to 140 degrees F.

There are numerous Fall - Earth Kind practices that can contribute to a healthy and sustainable environment. We encourage you to visit the Earth Kind web site for additional ideas on how you can assist in preserving and protecting our valuable natural resources.

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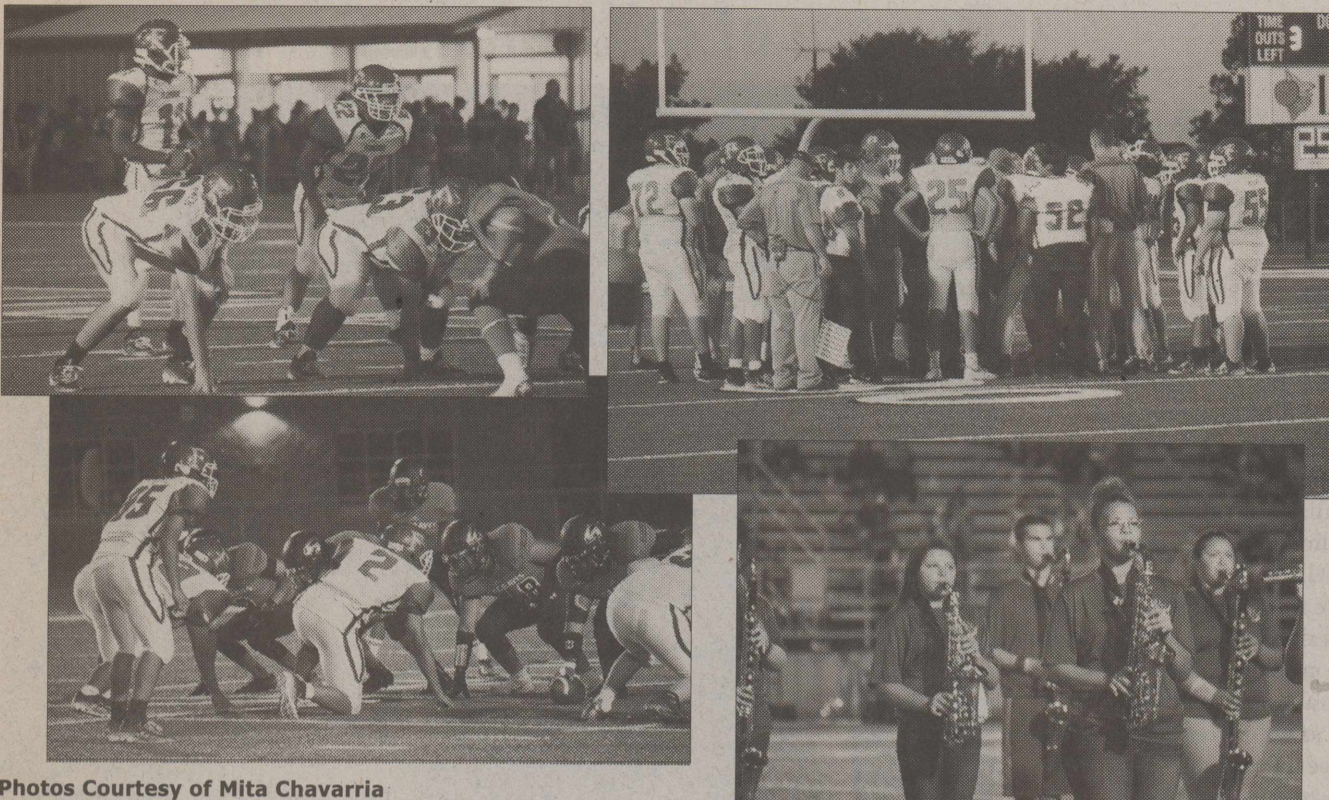
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FLOYDADA SCHOOL NEWS



Photos Courtesy of Mita Chavarria

SPC, KLVT Radio to offer sports broadcasting course on Sept. 14

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

softball.

LEVELLAND – South Plains College's Division of Continuing and Distance Education and KLVT Radio will offer a Live Sports Radio Broadcasting course from Sept. 14 through Nov. 2.

The eight-week class will meet on Mondays from 6 to 9 p.m. in Technical Arts Building in Room 117. The cost is \$100 and class materials will be provided. KLVT Sports Director Michael Wiest will be the instructor.

The class will focus on live sports radio broadcasting including play-by-play, color commentary, statistics, broadcast equipment, preparation, research as well as other broadcasting tools and techniques. The sports that will be covered include volleyball, football, basketball, baseball and

The class schedule will begin with Orientation, General Information, Equipment, Planning and Research on Sept. 14. On Sept. 21, the conclusion of the general information will be presented. On Sept. 28, Football Class One will be offered. Football Class Two is slated for Oct. 5. On Oct. 12, Basketball Class One will be offered. Basketball Class Two will be presented on Oct. 19. Baseball/Softball Class One is slated for Oct. 26. On Nov. 2, Baseball/Softball Class Two will be offered.

To register and for more information, contact Kasey Reyes, administrative assistant to the Dean of the Division of Continuing and Distance Education at (806) 716-2341 or email her at kreyes@southplain-college.edu.

Whirlwinds Fall to State Ranked Seagraves 49-7

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

SEAGRAVES – Seagraves scored 35 unanswered first half points and All-State running back, Cory Kyle ran for 189 yards as the state-ranked Eagles raced away to a 49-7 victory over the Floydada Whirlwinds.

Seagraves got on the board early in the first quarter as Kyle found the end zone from eight yards out and Will Wilkins added the extra point to make it 7-0 with 8:13 left in the first. With 3:25 left in the quarter, Kyle again found the end zone, this time from five yards out. Robby Pinon added the extra point to give the Eagles a 14-0 lead.

In the second quarter, Pinon scored from 40 yards out and Pedro Hernandez added the extra point to give Seagraves a 21-0 lead with 11:18 left in the half. Less than two minutes later, the Eagles forced a Floydada fumble. Pinon picked up the loose ball, running for 34 yards and a score. Hernandez added the extra point and with 9:35 left

in the half, the Eagles had a 28-0 lead. Kyle found the end zone for his third touchdown with just 58 seconds left in the half as he scored from 10 yards out. Hernandez added the extra point and Seagraves had a 35-0 half time lead.

In the third quarter, Sammy Segura picked up a fumble, returning it 36 yards for a defensive touchdown and Miguel Pena added the extra point and with 3:08 left in the quarter, the Eagles lead 35-7. With 2:02 left in the quarter, Joseph Guerrero scored from 15 yards out and Hernandez added the point after as Seagraves stretched the lead to 42-7.

Early in the fourth quarter, Justin Longoria intercepted a Kyi Baker pass and returned it for the final touchdown of the night with 11:09 left in the game. Hernandez added the extra point to give the Eagles the final victory margin of 49-7.

Offensively, Floydada only managed 107 total yards while Seagraves had 385 total yards. The Whirlwinds were limited to one yard passing and the Eagles

had a total of 49 yards passing. Floydada rushed for 106 yards and Seagraves had 336 yards rushing. Each team had four turnovers, three fumbles and one interception each.

Individual performances for Floydada, Segura was 1-1 passing for two yards and Baker was 2-9 for a minus one yard and one interception. Corey Mathis had 16 carries for 64 yards, Segura had seven carries for 24 yards, Albert Dehoyas had five carries for 16 yards, Abraham Perez had five carries for nine yards and Baker had six carries for a minus seven yards. Dehoyas had one catch for two yards and Segura had two catches for minus one yard.

For Seagraves, Guerrero was 6-12 passing for 40 yards. Kyle had 12 carries for 189 yards and three touchdowns, Guerrero had nine carries for 67 yards and a touchdown, Pinon had one carry for 40 yards and a score, Raymond Aranda had three carries for 19 yards Richard Longoria had two carries for 11, Quest Williams had one carry for six yards and Eric Granillo had one carry for four yards.

Granillo had two catches for 21 yards, Evan Anderson had one catch for 13 yards, Skylar Clark had one catch for 12 yards and Richard Longoria had two catches for three yards.

“When we failed to get a first down on the first offensive series, it proved to be a key play in the game,” head coach Todd Bandy said. “Allowing Seagraves to score two late touchdowns in the second quarter was the turning point.”

The Whirlwinds are preparing to take on their county rivals, the Lockney Longhorns, in the battle for the Floyd County Championship. The game starts at 7:30 P.M. in Lockney. Floydada won last year 28-14.

“We have to execute on both sides of the ball,” Bandy said, “if we want to have a chance to win.”

Lockney defeated Shamrock 28-22 with a late game touchdown to move to 1-1 on the year. Seagraves travels to Muleshoe to take on the Mules Friday, Sept. 11 at 7:30 P.M.

FLOYDADA vs SEAGRAVES

	Qtr. 1	Qtr. 2	Qtr. 3	Qtr. 4	FINAL
Floydada	0	0	7	0	7
Seagraves	14	21	7	7	49

Scoring Summaries:

- 1st Qtr – Seagraves – 8:13 – Cory Kyle 8-yard run, Kick Good
- 1st Qtr – Seagraves – 3:25 – Kyle 5-yard run, Kick Good
- 2nd Qtr – Seagraves – 11:18 – Robby Pinon 40-yard run, Kick Good
- 2nd Qtr – Seagraves – 9:35 – Pinon returned fumble 34 yards, Kick Good
- 2nd Qtr – Seagraves – 0:58 – Kyle 10-yard run, Kick Good
- 3rd Qtr – Floydada – 3:08 – Sammy Segura returned fumble 36 yards, Kick Good
- 3rd Qtr – Seagraves – 2:02 – Joseph Guerrero 15-yard run; Kick Good
- 4th Qtr – Seagraves – 11:09 – Justin Longoria returns interception; Kick Good

Whirlwind Cross Country Schedule 2015

September 4 th	Lubbock	Mae Simmons
September 12 th	Plainview	Running Water
September 19 th	Lubbock	Mae Simmons
September 26 th	Lockney	Track
October 3 rd	OPEN	
October 10 th	Abernathy	Track
October 19 th	District	Plainview (RW)
October 26 th	Regionals	Mae Simmons
November 7 th	State	Round Rock

Football Contest Standings Week 3

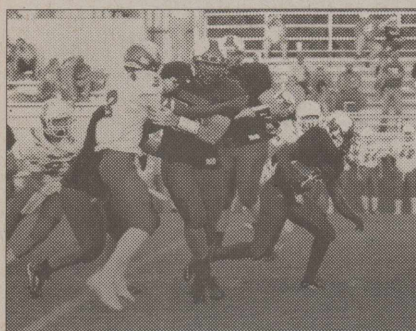
	THIS WEEKS	TOTAL
Franklin Harris	23/27	40/51
Quality Body Shop	21/27	39/51
Ricky Ascencio	24/27	38/51
Max Yeary	19/27	36/51
Boyd Lee	21/27	36/51
Lanny Barnett	22/27	35/51
Coy LaBaume	21/27	35/51
Paul Lopez	21/27	35/51
Pam Fulton	22/27	35/51
Martin Ramirez	22/27	35/51
Renee Armstrong	20/27	33/51
Debra Lee	18/27	33/51
Brent Sanders	19/27	33/51
Mac Sherman	22/27	33/51
Stanley Collier	21/27	32/51
Andrew Vega	19/27	31/51
Lu Ann Collins	19/27	31/51
Daniel Diaz	18/27	31/51
Diego Ascencio	16/27	28/51
Steve Stringer	00/00	09/24

NOTE:

Please be sure and circle the winner of EACH game on your entry form or it will be counted as incorrect.

LOCKNEY SCHOOL NEWS

Phillips Leads Longhorns to First Victory

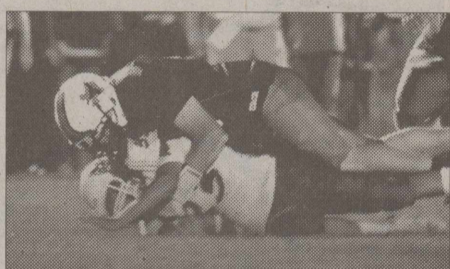


Courtesy Photos/RK Hunt Photography
Tevin Phillips breaks through the line as the Lockney offensive line opened up holes all night against the Shamrock Irish. Phillips finished the game with 338 yards rushing and two touchdowns.

Several Lockney defenders met at the running back as the Lockney Longhorns defeated the Shamrock Irish, 28-22 on a late touchdown.



Lockney defenders rush to help bring down the Shamrock Irish runner as the Longhorns defeated the Irish, 28-22. Lockney scored the winning touchdown with just over a minute left in the game to move their record to 1-1 on the year.



A Shamrock running back is brought down by an unidentified Lockney defender as the Longhorns came away with their first victory of the year by scoring the winning touchdown with only 65 seconds left in the game.



Lockney running back Tevin Phillips scampers through the Shamrock Irish defense. Phillips gained 338 yards on 35 carries as the Longhorns defeated the Irish 28-22. He also scored two touchdowns. Phillips now has 515 yards and three touchdowns in just two games.

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Lockney's Tevin Phillips rushed for 338 yards and two touchdowns on 35 carries as he led the Longhorns to their first victory, 28-22 over the Shamrock Irish.

All the scoring happened in the first and fourth quarters as both teams used a dominating rushing attack.

In the first quarter, Shamrock struck first with 8:29 left in the quarter when Darryl Calloway ran in from 46 yards out and after the extra point, the Irish had a 7-0 lead. Three minutes later, Phillips found the end zone from four yards out with 5:29 left and after the two point try was good, the Longhorns had an 8-7 lead. Less than a minute later, Calloway scored from three yards out and after the extra point, the Irish regained the lead, 14-8 with 4:31 left in the quarter. With 1:35 left in the quarter, Phillips again scored from four yards out and after the two point try, Lockney reclaimed the lead at 16-14.

Neither team managed to score in the second or third quarter. Lockney got on the board again when Efen Nunez ran it in from 12 yards out to give the Horns the lead at 22-14 with 8:48 left in the game. Calloway scored his third touchdown of the night from two yards out and then threw a two-point pass to tie the game at 22-22 with 5:25 left in the game. Lockney's Daylen Gatica connected with Jaden Rosales on a 12 yard touchdown pass with 1:05 left in the game to take the final lead, 28-22.

"Phillips took advantage of the defense and did the job that we asked him to do," head coach Jay Ragland said. "Our offensive line did a great

job of blocking."

Ragland said that finally slowing down Shamrock's rushing attack was the turning point in the game but he said they need to continue to improve in all areas plus get everyone healthy for the game against county rival Floydada.

Statistically, the Longhorns out-gained Shamrock in total offense, 399 to 248. For the Longhorns they had 373 yards rushing and 26 yards passing. The Irish had 233 yards rushing and 15 yards passing. Each team had two turnovers while Lockney picked up 86 yards in penalties and Shamrock had 130 yards.

Individually besides Phillips, Gatica had five carries for 24 yards and Nunez had three carries for 15 yards and a touchdown. Gatica was 5-15 passing for 26 yards and a touchdown. Rosales had two catches for 15 yards and a touchdown and Phillips had three catches for 11 yards.

For Shamrock, Calloway had 18 carries for 128 yards and three touchdowns, Dejinoble Williams had six carries for 67 yards and Chad Moya had three carries for 21 yards. Calloway was 1-3 passing for 15 yards and Moya had one catch for 15 yards.

Ragland named Phillips and the offensive line the Offensive Players of the Week and Nunez as the Defensive Player of the Week.

Phillips has 515 yards and three touchdowns on 52 carries this year for an average of 9.9 yards a carry.

Shamrock will host San Jacinto this week and Lockney will host county rival, Floydada for the Floyd County Championship at 7:30 P.M. Friday, Sept. 11. Floydada lost to state-ranked Seagraves, 49-7.

LOCKNEY VS SHAMROCK

	Qtr. 1	Qtr. 2	Qtr. 3	Qtr. 4	FINAL
Lockney	16	0	0	12	28
Shamrock	14	0	0	8	22

Scoring Summaries:

- 1st Qtr - Shamrock - 8:39 - Darryl Calloway 46-yard run, Kick Good
- 1st Qtr - Lockney - 5:29 - Tevin Phillips 4-yard run, 2-point pass Good
- 1st Qtr - Shamrock - 4:31 - Calloway 3-yard run, Kick Good
- 1st Qtr - Lockney - 1:35 - Phillips 4-yard run, 2-point try Good
- 4th Qtr - Lockney - 8:48 - Efen Nunez 12-yard run, Kick Failed
- 4th Qtr - Shamrock - 5:25 - Calloway 2-yard run, 2-point pass Good
- 4th Qtr - Lockney - 1:05 - Daylen Gatica 12-yard pass to Jaden Rosales, 2-point try No Good

Flying Angel



Courtesy Photo

Allison Torres of Sherry's Flying Angels dance team attend an Agency Convention in Los Angeles, California. Allison performed a dance number choreographed by Mrs. Sherry and placed first overall and received an award. Allison is from Lockney, Texas.

SPC releases fall digital photography class schedule

LEVELLAND - South Plains College announces the fall 2015 photography schedule. The classes are designed to improve the abilities of digital photo enthusiasts. Only the Jumpstart Class is required before taking any of the other day-long classes.

The Digital Jump Start class is the first in a series of classes on digital photography. It is designed to expose enthusiasts to camera options and capabilities. The class will be offered from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Sept. 12; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sept. 19; 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Sept. 26; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 3 and Dec. 12. All classes will be held in Room 822a of Building 8. The cost is \$50.

The Macro Photography Class is set from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Oct. 14 in Room 822a in Building 8 at Reese. The class focuses on up-close

photographical images such as flowers and insects. The cost is \$50.

The Fall Fandango class with location to be announced is set for 6 a.m. on Oct. 17. This class is for students who have taken the Jumpstart Class. Participants must be approved by the instructor. The cost is \$125.

The Indoor Sports Shooting Workshop is set for 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Nov. 14 in the Texan Dome. Enrollment is limited to five participants. The cost is \$50.

The Off Camera Flash Lighting course is set for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Dec. 5 in Room 822a of Building 8.

The instructor will be Wes Underwood, Photography Specialist for South Plains College. To register or contact Underwood, call (806) 716-2215 or email wunderwood@southplainscollege.edu.

Area Football Wrap-up Week 2

DISTRICT 2-2A-D1 (Floydada's)

Seagraves 49, FLOYDADA 7
ABERNATHY 38, Friona 13
Post 42, TAHOKA 0
HALE CENTER 50, Sudan 25
Sundown 36, OLTON 15
NEW DEAL 48, Lamesa 14

TEAM	Wins	Losses
Hale Center	2	0
New Deal	2	0
Floydada	1	1
Abernathy	1	1
Olton	0	2
Tahoka	0	2

Week 3 Schedule: Dimmitt at OLTON; NEW DEAL at Slaton; Sundown at ABERNATHY; FLOYDADA at Lockney; HALE CENTER at Farwell; TAHOKA at Smyer

DISTRICT 3-2A-D2 (Lockney's)

Canadian 56, MEMPHIS 0
LOCKNEY 28, Shamrock 22
CROSBYTON 21, Farwell 7
Springlake-Earth 20, CLARENDON 14
QUANAH 38, Seymour 6
Lubbock Christian 35, RALLS

TEAM	Wins	Losses
Crosbyton	2	0
Lockney	1	1
Quanah	1	1
Clarendon	1	1
Memphis	0	2
Ralls	0	2

Week 3 Schedule: CLARENDON at Highland Park; MEMPHIS at Wellington; Floydada at LOCKNEY; Bovina at RALLS; Sudan at CROSBYTON; QUANAH at Electra

AREA TEAMS (Records)

PLAINVIEW (1-1) 35, Palo Duro 14
PETERSBURG (2-0) 53, Meadow 34
VALLEY (2-0) 52, White Deer 6
LORENZO (1-0) 47, Holy Cross 0
SILVERTON (2-0) 47, Kress 34
MOTLEY COUNTY (2-0) 33, Spur 30
Cotton Center 76, PATTON SPRINGS (0-1) 28
Whitharral 62, PLAINVIEW CHRISTIAN (0-2) 13

WEEK 3 Schedules

PLAINVIEW at Canyon; PETERSBURG at Amherst; VALLEY at Happy; Kress at LORENZO; Higgins at SILVERTON; MOTLEY COUNTY at White Deer; PATTON SPRINGS - OPEN; PLAINVIEW CHRISTIAN - OPEN

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU

Sept. 14 - Sept. 18

Monday, Sept. 14

Breakfast - Chicken and Waffles, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk

Lunch - Steak Fingers, Breaded Pork Chop, Gravy, Roll, Baked Potato, Glazed Carrot, Strawberries and Bananas, Milk

Tuesday, Sept. 15

Breakfast - Breakfast Club Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk

Lunch - Spaghetti Bowl, Breadstick, Pizza, Garden Salad, Vegetables, Sliced Peaches, Chocolate or Vanilla Pudding, Milk

Wednesday, Sept. 16

Breakfast - Texas Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch - Mexican Combo Plate, Spanish Rice, Chicken Quesadillas, Mexicali Corn, Charro Beans, Salsa, Cinnamon Applesauce, Milk

Thursday, Sept. 17

Breakfast - Oatmeal Muffin Square with Yogurt or Sausage Kolache with Yogurt, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk

Lunch - Teriyaki Beef Sandwich, Baked Potato Chips, Chili, Cornbread, Broccoli Bites, Garden Salad, Orange Smiles, Milk

Friday, Sept. 18

Breakfast - Breakfast Pizza, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk

Lunch - Popcorn Chicken, Roll, Sloppy Joe Sandwich, Sweet Potato Waffle Fries, Cucumber Dippers, Seasonal Fruit, Cookie, Milk

2015 Hesperian-Beacon FOOTBALL CONTEST

First, second and third place overall winners get cash prizes. Those who come in fourth through tenth get a FREE one-year subscription.

Robin's Nest Photography 1. Lockney 2. Floydada	Stapp Paint & Body Shop 3. Hale Center 4. Farwell	Providence Farm Supply 5. Frenship 6. Cooper	Muncy Elevator 7. Bovina 8. Ralls	Lighthouse Electric Co-op 9. New Deal 10. Slaton
Wright's Auto Service 11. Lamesa 12. Childress	First National Bank Member FDIC 13. Petersburg 14. Amherst	Adam's Well Service 15. Sundown 16. Abernathy	The Hesperian-Beacon 17. Sudan 18. Crosbyton	Quality Body Shop 19. Texas Tech 20. UTEP
Heart's Desire 21. Arkansas 22. Toledo	McCoy Gin 23. Iowa State 24. Iowa	Lowe's Floydada 25. North Texas 26. SMU	D & J Gin 27. Baylor 28. Lamar	Floydada Power & Light 29. Rice 30. Texas
Payne Pharmacy 31. Oklahoma 32. Tennessee	Cogdell Clinic Mangold Memorial Hospital 33. Hawaii 34. Ohio St.	Lowe's Lockney 35. Arizona 36. Nevada	Floydada Co-op Gin 37. Cowboys 38. Giants	Hospice Hands of West Texas 39. Dolphins 40. Redskins
Assiter Ins. Agency Assiter Punkin' Ranch 41. Packers 42. Bears	Crop Production Services 43. Cardinals 44. Saints	Ray Lee Equipment 45. Seahawks 46. Rams	R.K. Hunt Photography 47. Chiefs 48. Texans	Raceway Fuel 49. Jets 50. Browns
Oden Chevrolet Inc. 51. Lions 52. Chargers	Helena Chemical Co. 53. Broncos 54. Ravens			

Contest Rules

Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest

Any subscriber or purchaser, age 7 or older, is eligible to enter this contest. Only one entry per week, per person. Entrants MUST play every week to be eligible for overall prize.

There is NO COST to play in the contest.

To play, circle the number of the team you believe will win on the official entry form to the left.

Only entries on official entry forms brought to a Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada no later than 5 p.m. on Friday will be accepted. Photocopies and mail entries WILL NOT be accepted. Three cash prizes are awarded at the end of the contest. In the event of a tie, prizes will be combined and shared equally by those tied.

Print your name and address plainly on the official entry form and double check your choices before clipping out the entry form and depositing it at the Hesperian-Beacon office before 5 p.m. on Friday. Entries are limited to one entry per person, per week.

At the end of the 11-week contest period, the person with the best overall record will win a first place prize of \$100.

Second place will be awarded \$75.
Third place will be awarded \$50.

CUT ALONG THE DOTTED LINE

Official Entry Form Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42
43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54		

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN
AIR PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NUMBER 32612

APPLICATION Lockney Cooperative Gin has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 32612, which would authorize continued operation of a cotton gin located at 1000 West Locust Street, Lockney, Floyd County, Texas 79241. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=34.125555&lng=-101.451944&zoom=13&type=r>. The existing facility and/or related facilities are authorized to emit the following air contaminants: organic compounds, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides, and particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on August 17, 2015. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, TCEQ Lubbock regional office, and the Floyd County Courthouse, 105 South Main Street, Floydada, Floyd County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Lubbock regional office of the TCEQ.

The executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. In addition to the renewal, this permitting action includes the incorporation of the following authorizations or changes to authorized facilities related to this permit: amendments and changes in emission factors. The reasons for any changes or incorporations, to the extent they are included in the renewed permit, may include the enhancement of operational control at the plant or enforceability of the permit. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. **The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

PUBLIC COMMENT You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process.

After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 15 day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided.** According to the Texas Clean Air Act § 382.056(o) a contested case hearing may only be granted if the applicant's compliance history is in the lowest classification under applicable compliance history requirements and if the hearing request is based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

If any requests for a contested case hearing are timely filed, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case hearing to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. Unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing, the executive director will mail the response to comments along with notification of Commission meeting to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period.** Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk for this application.

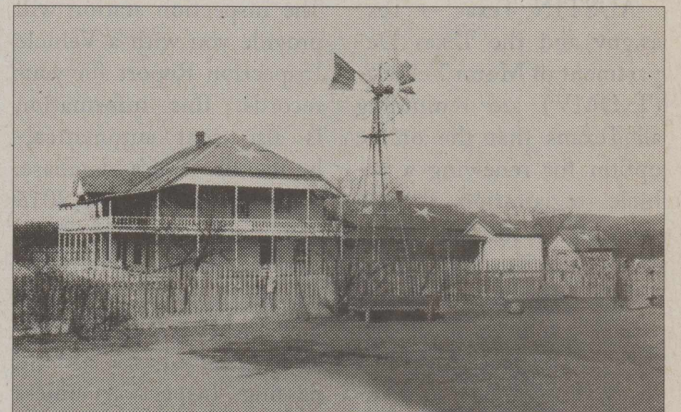
AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Lockney Cooperative Gin, P.O. Box 128, Lockney, Texas 79241-0128 or by calling Mr. J. Kelley Green, Texas Cotton Ginners' Association at (512) 615-1102.

Notice Issuance Date: August 20, 2015

STAR HOUSE

From Page 1



The Star House circa 1920s, Lawrence T. Jones III, Texas photo collection.

Quannah's business friends didn't turn him down.

"The cattle barons helped me," Tahmahkera said, speaking as Quannah and specifically mentioning "Burk Burnett, Charles Goodnight, the Waggoner brothers."

Tahmahkera enacted Quannah for a gathering of Quannah's descendants and their families. All had been invited to Star House to hear Comanche Nation Chairman Wallace Coffey and others present the results of a just-completed \$15,000 study on how the house can be stabilized and preserved and how much it will cost.

Playing off both the initial involvement of the Texas cattlemen in the building of the house and the long history of a Comanche presence across virtually all of Texas, Coffey set the stage for a broad campaign to save Star House — a campaign likely to depend heavily on support from Texas.

Coffey mentioned plans for galas in both Lawton and Fort Worth.

"We want to have a night with cowboys and Indians in Fort Worth," he said. "We're going to take Texas back over."

The galas would be black-tie affairs complete with art auctions.

Interest in saving Star House is materializing in other places, Coffey said.

"A New York philanthropist will be visiting," he said, giving no other details but indicating that a story about Star House in The New York Times had helped create interest in Star House across the country.

Coffey himself was dressed for the occasion like his predecessor Quannah, wearing a derby hat, a vest, a cravat secured with a medallion-style scarf ring and other period attire that mimicked the style of clothing and accessories Quannah chose for dealing with government officials and business leaders in the White Man's world. Not that Quannah didn't also don Comanche regalia for many occasions — the style of dress portrayed by Tahmahkera, headdress and eagle fan included.

Emulating both the appearance and political approach of Quannah Parker is Coffey's aim, he told the group.

"This is something that Quannah used to wear back in the day," Coffey said.

As Chairman of the Comanche Nation, Coffey finds himself reaching for all the tools of his trade.

"I'm in a similar position as Quannah was back in his day," Coffey said. "Even though 100 years have passed, we still must do our best to be as diplomatic as possible, not only among ourselves but with others."

The Comanche people enjoyed a big footprint across the Southern Great

Plains, commanding a domain that covered much of Texas and Oklahoma.

It was not just by habit that the Comanche maintained their hold on the land, Coffey said.

"We had to work for it," he said, reminding the group of its history and introducing the notion that much work will likewise be required to save Star House — hard work that will require the diligent efforts of fund-raisers.

Although the house is privately owned, the creation of a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization to receive funds for the restoration project will enable donors to classify their gifts as charitable contributions under IRS rules.

In his remarks on Saturday, Coffey expressed his intentions to contact members of the Anglo side of the Parker Family to invite their participation in the efforts to save Star House.

Both sides of the family — descendants of Quannah and relatives of his white mother, Cynthia Ann Parker — have yearly reunions. For the Comanche side of the family, Star House has been a traditional place to meet. For the non-Comanche Parkers, Old Fort Parker, located near the Navasota River between Mexia and Groesbeck, is the historic meeting point. The families send emissaries to each other's gatherings and exchange a ceremonial bowl most years, passing it back and forth between the two sides, Indian and Anglo.

Besides the two landmark structures — Star House in Oklahoma and Old Fort Parker in East Texas — a string of iconic roadside Comanche arrow sculptures have popped up across the Texas Panhandle and Plains the last few years. The tall steel arrows pique the interest of travelers in the story of Quannah Parker and the Indians who once ruled the area. Some arrows mark locations that take travelers off the highway.

In Childress, a Quannah Parker Trail arrow stands near the lake in Fair Park — a lake that was important first to the Indians in the area and later as a watering hole for cattle driven by Charles Goodnight, who ultimately became a great friend and ally of Quannah Parker.

It's the kind of historic relationship Wallace Coffey is aiming to see rekindled in the interest of saving Star House.

Editor's note: For more information about the Quannah Parker Trail or to learn more about the story of white captive-turned-Comanche Cynthia Ann Parker and her son Quannah, see www.quannahparkertrail.com. In every Texas county served by Blackburn Media newspapers, Quannah Parker Trail arrows mark significant sites, some more visible than others.

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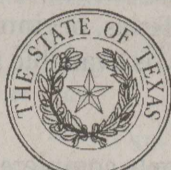
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PUBLIC NOTICE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



AMENDED NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NUMBER 73287

APPLICATION Monsanto Company has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 73287, which would authorize continued operation of a cottonseed delinting and treating facility located at 251 US Highway 70, Aiken, Floyd County, Texas 79241. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, please refer to the application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=34.1425&lng=-101.525833&zoom=13&type=r>. The existing facility and/or related facilities are authorized to emit the following air contaminants: organic compounds, nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide, particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less, and hazardous air pollutants.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on August 26, 2015. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, TCEQ Lubbock regional office, and the Floyd County Memorial Library, 111 South Wall Street, Floydada, Floyd County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Lubbock regional office of the TCEQ.

The executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. In addition to the renewal, this permitting action includes the incorporation of the following authorizations or changes to authorized facilities related to this permit: alterations, amendments, and standard permits. The reasons for any changes or incorporations, to the extent they are included in the renewed permit, may include the enhancement of operational control at the plant or enforceability of the permit. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. **The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

PUBLIC COMMENT You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process.

After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 15 day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided.** According to the Texas Clean Air Act § 382.056(o) a contested case hearing may only be granted if the applicant's compliance history is in the lowest classification under applicable compliance history requirements and if the hearing request is based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only grant a hearing on those issues submitted during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

If any requests for a contested case hearing are timely filed, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case hearing to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. Unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing, the executive director will mail the response to comments along with notification of Commission meeting to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns submitted during the comment period.** Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk for this application.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Monsanto Company, 251 US Highway 70, Lockney, Texas 79241-4702 or by calling Mr. Lee Bertelson, Environmental Health and Safety Coordinator at (806) 652-1044 ext 38.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Caprock Hospital District will hold a meeting at 7:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at Floydada EMS building 109 North Main Street, Floydada, Texas 79235 to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2016.

The proposed tax rate is \$.14106 per \$100 of value.

The proposed tax rate is higher than the 2015 tax rate of \$.1406 per \$100 of value; however, the tax rate will result in approximately the same amount of total taxes imposed for the Caprock Hospital District.

This Notice is given pursuant to Texas Tax Code Section 26.052.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Floydada will conduct a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at the Floydada City Hall 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada, Texas to consider adopting the tax rate for tax year 2015.

Citizens are welcome to attend this open meeting

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The City of Floydada will conduct a Public Hearing for the 2015/2016 Operating Budget on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at Floydada City Hall 114 W. Virginia St. Floydada, Texas.

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NOTICE

The City of Floydada will hold a meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at Floydada City Hall 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for 2015. The proposed tax rate is \$.40 per \$100 of value. This rate does not exceed the effective tax. The rollback tax rate is 0.43576 per \$100 value

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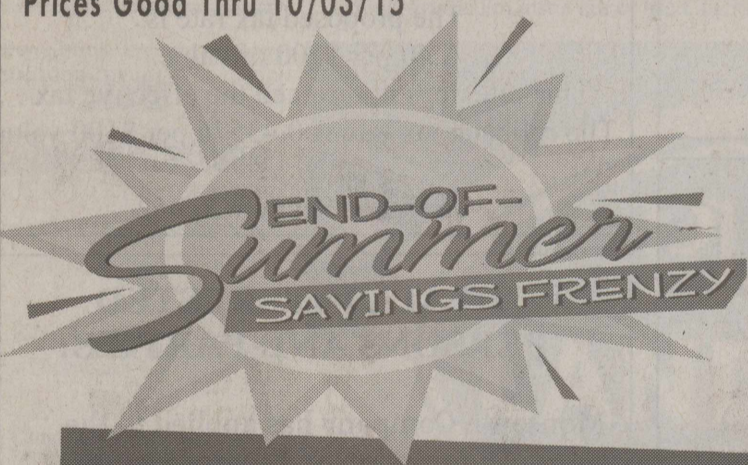
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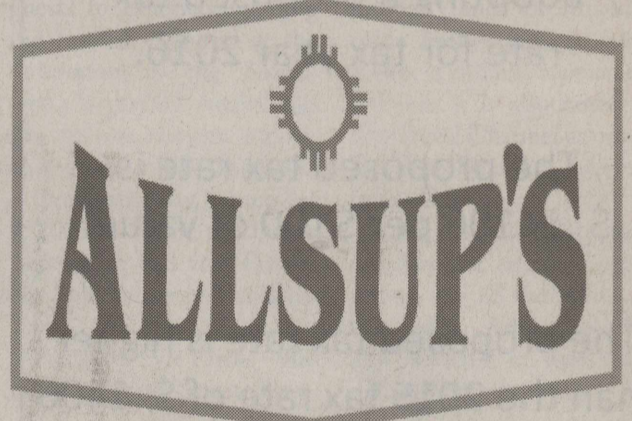
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Hundreds turned out to celebrate Old Fashion Saturday in Lockney on Saturday, Aug. 29. From the car show to Zumba demonstrations to the street dance, everyone had a great time. Vendors served up everything from breakfast burritos to barbeque and various craft booths all day long. Four teams entered the Second Annual BBQ Cookoff, sponsored by Floyd County Farm Supply. Best Overall Brisket went to A&A Bar-B-Q of Lockney, Best Ribs went to Archie Jones with Atmos Energy and Best Other with chicken went to A&A. SunEdison and Mortenson Construction judged the contest.

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