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Fortenberrys Learn to Deal with Alzheimer's Disease Reality

By Abby Reed

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LUBBOCK, TX (KCBD) - Alzheimer's Disease steals memories and can shut down a person's body. It is debilitating and it has no cure. No one knows this better than Becky Fortenberry.

Becky has been married to her sweetheart, Sam, for nearly 20 years. Their love story is one written about in novels. But the memories are something only Becky will have because Sam is dying from Alzheimer's disease.

He is only 59-years-old. "For the most part, we have all come to terms with the fact that there's only one way out of this. I think that day is going to be a peaceful day," Becky said.

Alzheimer's disease never gets better. The disease causes loss of brain function that slowly affects memory, personality and motor skills. For Sam, it has stolen everything.

"Honestly, I just want God to show His mercy. We've passed a point where I don't think anything can help Sam," Becky said.

Sam was officially diagnosed with the cruel disease in 2012. But before he was an Alzheimer's patient, Sam was a cowboy. He loved the music of Western Swing legend Bob Wills and he was happiest on a horse.

"He could just do anything and he knew exactly where to be. He knew how to handle a horse," Becky said.

The Lockney cowboy used his charm and wit to steal Becky's heart many years ago.

"He just basically walked up to the window one day and said "hey good looking! I'm going to take



ALL PHOTOS COURTESY OF BECKY FORTENBERRY
Sam and Becky Fortenberry have been married for nearly 20 years and now Becky is dealing with losing Sam, 59, to Alzheimer's Disease. Becky said the memories are her memories as Sam no longer remembers the past.

you dancing.' And I am like 'oh! You are? Okay!' Becky said with a laugh.

Sam and Becky were married. They eventually had twin boys, Trip and Grip. The twins rounded out the Fortenberry family, adding to Sam's older children, Eddie Lee and Jennifer. As a father, all of the children agree that Sam could be strict. Eddie says his family's legacy and honor meant everything to his dad.

"When you shake somebody's hand and you look them in the eye, you better mean it," Eddie said.

It was Sam's tough love that prepared his family for the recent years, when his Alzheimer's Disease began to develop.

"He got to where he did not know his house, he was seeing things like snakes and people sitting in the corner. He would see a pick up coming down the road and say "they're coming to hurt me," Becky said.

The Alzheimer's diagnoses didn't solely affect Sam. His family has been carrying the burden, too. Trip says sometimes it is hard to remember a time when his dad was completely present.

"It's the worst disease that you could go through

and I wouldn't wish it on my worst enemy," Trip said.

In January of this year, faced with Sam's rapidly declining health, Becky made the heartbreaking decision to put her husband in the memory support community at Raider Ranch. She says she will never forget how hard it was saying goodnight to him.

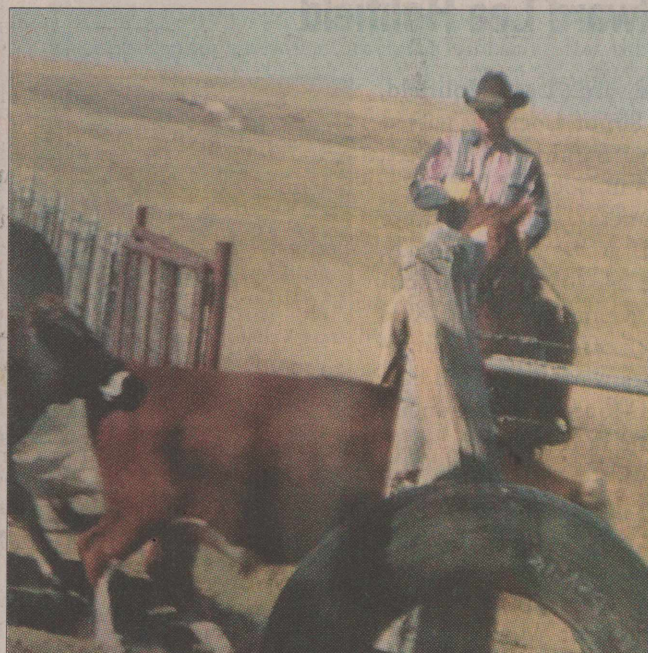
"Having to give up half of my identity, leaving it here. Having to give my soul mate to somebody else to take care of. That's my job," Becky said.

Almost daily, Becky makes the more than 120 mile round trip from Lockney to Raider Ranch.

On his best days, Sam is able to say Becky's name. On his worst, he does not even know who she is. On those days, Sam's boys say they will turn on his favorite Bob Wills song, and sometimes he will perk up. But, on other days, he paces and he cries. He is also very scared.

Through all of it, Becky remains by Sam's side. She admits it's not easy, but says there is nowhere else she would rather be. Every night, she drives back to Lockney and goes to bed alone.

"That person that you



Sam Fortenberry has been a life-long cowboy and according to his wife Becky, his happiest days were in the saddle on the back of his horse. Now Alzheimer's has taken those things away from Sam as Becky and the rest of his family deal with his battle and struggles. Sam now resides in Raider Ranch in Lubbock.



For Sam Fortenberry, this picture of him holding two of his sons, Trip and Grip, has no meaning as Alzheimer's has taken away those precious memories as well as those of his other children, Eddie Lee and Jennifer.

lay down with at night to make the world go away is not there. And, they're not there in the morning when you wake up," Becky said.

Becky tends to the family's farm and cows. She also raises her boys. In the midst of it all, she makes time to head back to Lubbock to see her cowboy. While the routine is exhausting and

emotional, it's all a part of Sam and Becky's love story. Even if Becky is the only one who will remember it.

"I just don't take it for granted, it's too precious," Becky said.

For more information on the Lubbock Alzheimer's Association and to donate to the Association, visit: <http://www.alz.org/westtexas/>.

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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.

FLOYDADA COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

A blood drive will be held Thursday, June 26 at the First Baptist Church Gym from 2 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. To schedule an appointment, contact Kim Perez at 983-3434 or log onto www.BloodHero.com - Sponsor Code - Floydada

FLOYDADA BOY SCOUTS

The Floydada Boy Scout Troop 357 will be putting out flags on Friday morning, July 4th and picking them up on Saturday, late afternoon, July 5th. The flags will be left up 2 days due to not putting them up on Memorial Day due to inclement weather.

SALVATION ARMY LOCKNEY

The Salvation Army in Lockney is in need of donations. Items they need are sheets, blankets, shoes, clothes (summer) and pantry items. The pantry items need to be non-perishable food items.

FLOYDADA HEALTH FAIR

The Floydada Health Fair will be held on July 26, 2014 at the Floydada Fire Department located at 114 W. Virginia. The health fair will be held from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. For more info contact West Texas Family Medicine of Floydada, 806-402-4033 or go by 901 W. Crockett Street, Floydada. There will be door prizes and free give-aways

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Calvert Home Health holds their blood pressure clinic on every first and third Thursday of each month between 9 - 11 a.m. at the Community Room of the First National Bank of Floydada.



Corrections

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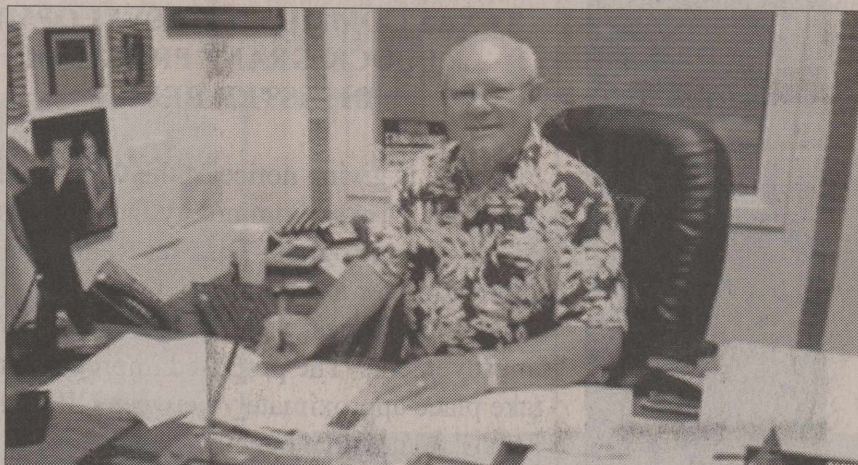
James Race Retires From Farm Bureau after 40 Years

By Homer Marquez
 Plainview Herald News Editor
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After 40 years of insuring the futures of countless West Texans, Texas Farm Bureau agent James A. Race says the aspect he'll miss the most is the people after he retires at the end of the month.

"I'm going to miss the people," said Race. "I'll miss just visiting with them in my office, trying to help them when they don't know what to do . . . Just the relationship you build with your customers."

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For 40 years, James Race has been working with Farm Bureau but as of June 30, he will be retiring. Race started with Farm Bureau in Floydada in 1974 but since then he's been in Tulia, back to Floydada, a district manager over nearly 30 counties, Weatherford, Pampa and finally to Plainview where he closes out his career.

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Deaths

Tommie Collins

Tommie Collins, age 90, of Floydada passed away, Monday, June 16, 2014.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 21, 2014 at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Floydada. Timothy Askew officiated.

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

Tommie was born on March 6, 1924 in Fort Worth, Texas. He enjoyed

gardening and taking care of his fruit trees. Tommie was a member of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Floydada.

He is preceded in death by his four kids, Tommy Collins Jr., Alice Johnson, Nat Collins and Malvin Collins.

Those left to cherish Tommie's memory include five sons, Leon Collins and wife, Shearon, Macolyn Collins, and Joseph Collins, all of Ft.

Worth, Texas, Timothy Collins and wife, Nora of Floydada, and Kenneth Collins and wife, Renee of Abilene, Texas; three daughters, Carrie Grant and husband, Robert, Jessie Mae Browner and Betty Collins, all of Ft. Worth, Texas; 30 grandchildren and a host of great-grandchildren.

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

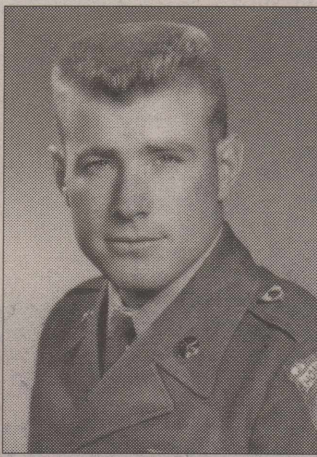
Edward Lee Holifield

Edward Lee Holifield, age 80, of Lockney passed away, Saturday, June 21, 2014 in Lockney.

Funeral services were held at 9 a.m. Tuesday, June 24, 2014 at the Lockney Cemetery with Kyle Brock officiating. Arrangements were under the care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Lockney.

Edward was born on November 1, 1933 in Piggott, Arkansas to Earlee and Grace (Mowery) Holifield. He married Beverly Norman on May 29, 1957. Edward was a member of Wrights Chapel Methodist Church Piggott.

Ed served in the Army. He attended the Univer-



EDWARD HOLIFIELD

sity of Arkansas at Fayetteville with a Master degree in agronomy. His career was with the University of Arkansas Extension Service Arkansas and Upjohn Chemical Com-

pany in Colonel Heights, Virginia before retiring in Piggott, Arkansas. He is survived by his wife, Beverly Holifield of Lockney; one brother, William Holifield of Mesa, Arizona; cousins, sister-in-laws, Lynn Preston of Austin, Gleyenn Earle Cummings and husband, Sterling Cummings of South Plains, and Kay Hall of Hereford, and multiple nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Beverly Holifield at Lockney Health and Rehab, P.O. Box 1060, Lockney, Tx 79241 Online condolence may be mad at www.moore-rose.com.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margarett Word
Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

Please mark it down on your calendars. The Center will be closed on Friday, July 4th.

The Center is offering Tai Chai classes each Wednesday. The class are held from 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m. and will go through July Wednesday, July 9. For more information call Sylvia at 986-2032.

If you plan on eating at the Center, please call Sylvia no later than 9 a.m. to let her know so that she can prepare enough food. We love to have visitors come to the Cener to eat and visit.

Our mailing address is PO Box 573,

Floydada, Texas 79235. Our phone number is 806-983-2032.

Thank you for remembering the Center when you need to make a memorial donation.

MENU June 30 - July 4

Monday - Chicken salad sandwich, tomato, lettuce, pickle, macaroni salad, carrot sticks, watermelon, low-fat milk
Tuesday - Not available
Wednesday - Not available
Thursday - Not available
Friday - CLOSED

The Paperboy "They'll be gone before you know it"

My oldest son will be 11-years-old tomorrow. All the cliches about time apply when you're thinking about your own children.

I look back on his life and boy, he sure has been through a lot. Over a decade, things do happen ... life happens. So does death.



**CHRIS
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Jackson is intelligent and kind. He likes to please. Sometimes he gets an attitude, but that's usually because he's tired.

He's a great big brother. Really, he's just a pleasure to be around.

Jackson is a boy of faith. He knows more of the Bible than I do and if you're going to talk Jesus with him, you had better have your facts straight.

He is at the point in his life where he's beginning to question things and discover other things. I wouldn't say he's a full-fledged pre-teen, but it's coming.

One thing I admire about him is his allegiance to his friends and family. He enjoys his friends, but he cannot stand exclusion. He thinks a true friendship should be authentic and friends should stay true to one another. Unfortunately, he's had to learn some tough lessons about friendship. Frankly, sometimes what is perceived as a friendship is nothing more than someone using you. But like a faithful dog, Jack is very forgiving and ready to move on.

As a parent, we don't like to see our kids hurt. But sometimes, they have to hurt in order to learn how to function. That's why we never get too upset when he and a buddy aren't getting along. It's part of life. Sometimes friends don't get along. And who are we kidding? It can't always be the other person's fault. It does us good to take a long look in the mirror and admit our failures.

We never know what life will hold - for us or our children. What is normal today might be turned upside down tomorrow. About the only thing we can do is love and try our best to not take things for granted.

I'm very proud of Jackson. He knows I'm proud of him and that I love him because there's not a day goes by without me telling him those two things.

I hope and pray that he continues to grow and learn and realizes his God-given potential.

My wife and I will do our best to protect him and guide him, but the waters ahead are riddled with danger.

It would give me great joy to report back in another 11 years that he is still doing well. I suppose that's always the plan with us moms and dads.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
FLOYDADA**

**TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM
DISASTER RELIEF**

Floydada is giving notice of the City's intent to submit a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program- Disaster Relief grant application for a Community Development Fund grant request of \$350,000 for county water improvements. The proposed improvements will take place approximately between CR 91 and FM 37 to maintain the city's water supply. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.

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SOCIETY

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong

Hope you all have a great week!

We will be closed Friday, July 4th. Membership dues are due! There are \$20 per person. Please come by the Center to take care of those.

Mark your calendars for September 14th!!!!

Family Night Fish Fry will be held Friday from 5-8 p.m. Dine in or carry out or call the Center, 652-2745 and we will have it ready for you. \$10 adults and \$5 children under 10. Let us do the dishes!!!

MENU June 30 - July 4

- Monday - Chicken & dumplings
- Tuesday - Frito pie
- Wednesday - BBQ chicken
- Thursday - Sausage & sauerkraut
- Friday - Closed

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

DEEP FRIED DILL PICKLES

Ingredients:

- 2 eggs
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon vinegar-based hot pepper sauce
- 3/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon seasoning salt
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 cup cornmeal
- 2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1 (32 ounce) jar dill pickle slices
- 1 cup vegetable oil for deep frying
- salt and pepper to taste

Directions

In a large bowl, combine 2 eggs, 1/4 cup of the flour, buttermilk, Worcestershire sauce, hot sauce, cayenne pepper, seasoning salt and garlic powder.

In a separate mixing bowl, combine cornmeal, 2 cups flour, salt and 3/4 teaspoon black pepper.

Preheat oil in a deep fryer or pot to 365 degrees F (180 degrees C).

Dip drained pickles into milk mixture and then dredge them in the flour mixture. Deep fry until golden brown. Drain on paper towels. Salt and pepper to taste

Museum Archives

Floyd County Historical Museum "Memories, 1979"

WILLSON & SON -- BUILDERS MART

Willson & Son -Builders Mart formerly Willson & Son Lumber Company, had its beginning in Bridgeport, Wise County, Texas in 1908. At that time D. M. Willson, banker and general merchant, and J. M. Willson, Sr. moved in a western direction by visiting Childress, Texas;

Lubbock, Texas and finally stopping in Floydada, Floyd County, Texas. This was the place chosen for a new venture in the lumber business.

An organization often men of which D. M. Willson and J. M. Willson, Sr. were a part formed and opened a lumber business in Floydada, Texas which operated from 1916 till November of 1921. At this time the Willson's sold to the other members of the firm and moved to a location east of the Floyd County Court House where the business was operated until 1973. At this time Willson & Son Lumber Company and Builders Mart was combined and all merchandise and operations were moved to the location north of the Floyd County Court House where it is presently operated.

During the years since 1916 the operation of the organization has been as a partnership with the exception of twice during the period it was operated as a corporation. Presently the operation is a partnership composed of J. M. Willson, Jr. and J. M. Willson III who is a fourth generation in the business. There have been through the years as many as 12 businesses owned and operation by this family in communities on the South Plains, Panhandle of Texas and Southwestern Oklahoma. There are presently two locations still in operation-Willson & Son Building Materials in Plainview, owned and operated by David Willson, son of J. M. Willson, Sr. and Willson & Son Builders Mart in Floydada.

The original stock consisted of only the necessities for building the most simple structure such as lumber, the first of which was hauled in wagons from the railroad in Canyon, Texas, nails, shingles and the like. By 1940 the development of the business and inventory could lead to the statement; Wilson & Son Lumber Co. carried everything to build anything. Throughout the surrounding area for a two hundred mile radius you can find churches, schools, homes and barns with material furnished by the Willson organization. The growth of the organization was reflected on the activities of the owners and operators of the business. D. W. Willson was an active citizen and member of the firm until his death in December of 1928. He was recognized as a distinguished man always with his umbrella and a small crooked cigar.

J. M. Willson, Sr. was known for his sandals, white socks and bow tie. He was consistently active in the advancement of Floydada, Floyd County and the South Plains, Panhandle area of Texas. He served as a member of the City Council of Floydada, Floydada Independent School District Trustee, President of Rotary Club, Director of the Chamber of Commerce and charter member of both the Lions and Rotary Clubs in this community. An active member of the Methodist Church locally and on a district and conference level he represented the Northwest Texas Conference on all occasions before his death. Mr. Jim served the West Texas Chamber of Commerce as president

and representative in many legislative matters. An active member of the local American Legion and served as Vice Commander of the State of Texas. He served as a member of the Board of Directors of Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. As an active Rotarian he became District Governor of Rotary International in 1935 and served an area which included Fort Worth and Waco, Texas.

He and his wife, Mavis (Terry) who he married following his return to Floydada after the war in 1918 had a great love for young people and Christian education. Through their leadership the Willson family established some 25 lecturships at colleges and universities throughout the Southwest. He served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of McMurry College for many years and 43 years as a member of the Board of Trustees of Southern Methodist University.

Jim Willson was a Mason for 64 years and was active in many of the affiliated organizations until his death 5th of June 1972.

In 1946 J. M. Willson Jr. joined the organization and became manager of the Builders Mart in Floydada, Texas. From this time until the early 1960's the firm was engaged in the general contracting business as well as the retail building supply.

Times changed and building needs and operations changed. An example-wood cotton Trailers became steel and then the modules took over. As the needs and specialization set in the company became a supple store of general building need and left the contraction to others.

J. M. (Jimmy) Willson, known for always having a pipe in his mouth became the general manager and owner of the Floydada location and operation. Jimmy followed in his father's footsteps as an active civic worker. He served the City of Floydada as a council member three terms and Mayor on two occasions. He was President of the Industrial Foundation twice, president of the Floydada Rotary Club in 1947-48 and again during its fiftieth year in 1978-79. He was a charter member of the Lions Club in 1946. Jimmy served the Boy Scouts as a Scout Master, Troop Committeeman, District Chairman, Executive Board Member of South Plains Council and was awarded the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award and the Silver Beaver. Active in the Methodist Church he has served in many local offices, district lay leader and Conference Lay Leader. A very active Mason he has served as head of two state organizations and will be the Grand Master of Masons in Texas in 1982. He served two years as a member of the board of directors of Texas Lumbermen's Association and Past Commander of the American Legion and present Adjutant

In 1977 after completing the work on his Doctor's Degree, J. M. (Mac) Willson, III returned with his family to live in Floydada and became manager of the Floydada Operation. Following the pattern of his father and grandfather he is Assistant Scout Master, Member of the Jaycees, Director of the Floydada Rotary Club, and Sunday School teacher in the First Methodist Church.

The Willson organization has served a total of sixty-three years as a supplier of building material and civic leadership for the betterment of the best place to be-Floyd County, Texas.



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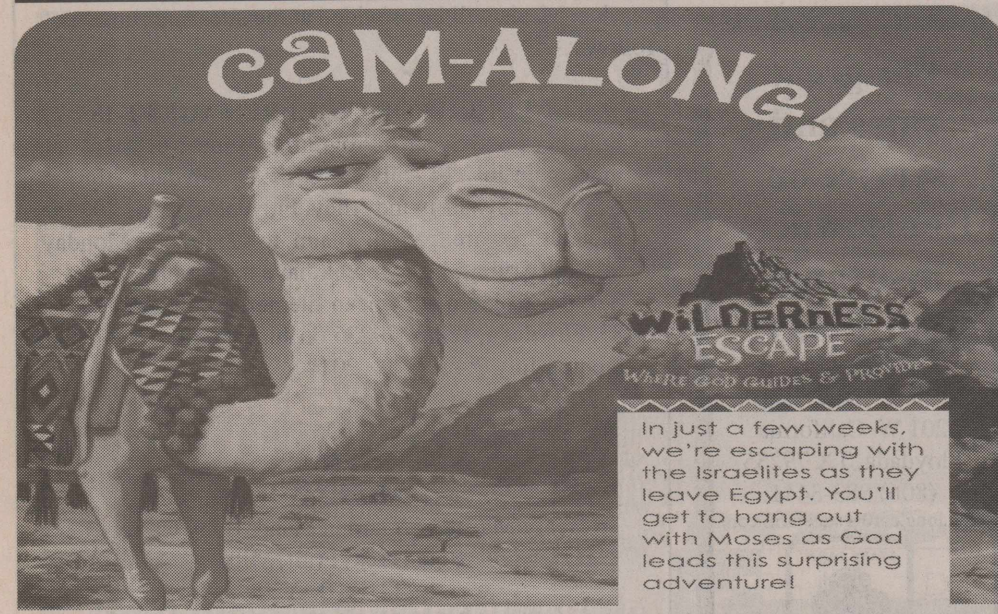
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Celebration begins at: 6:00 p.m. (VBS starting time)

The day's adventure ends at: 8:00 p.m. - Completed Pre K - 4th grade (VBS ending time)

For more information, call: Tracy Campbell - 806-983-1023 (church phone number)

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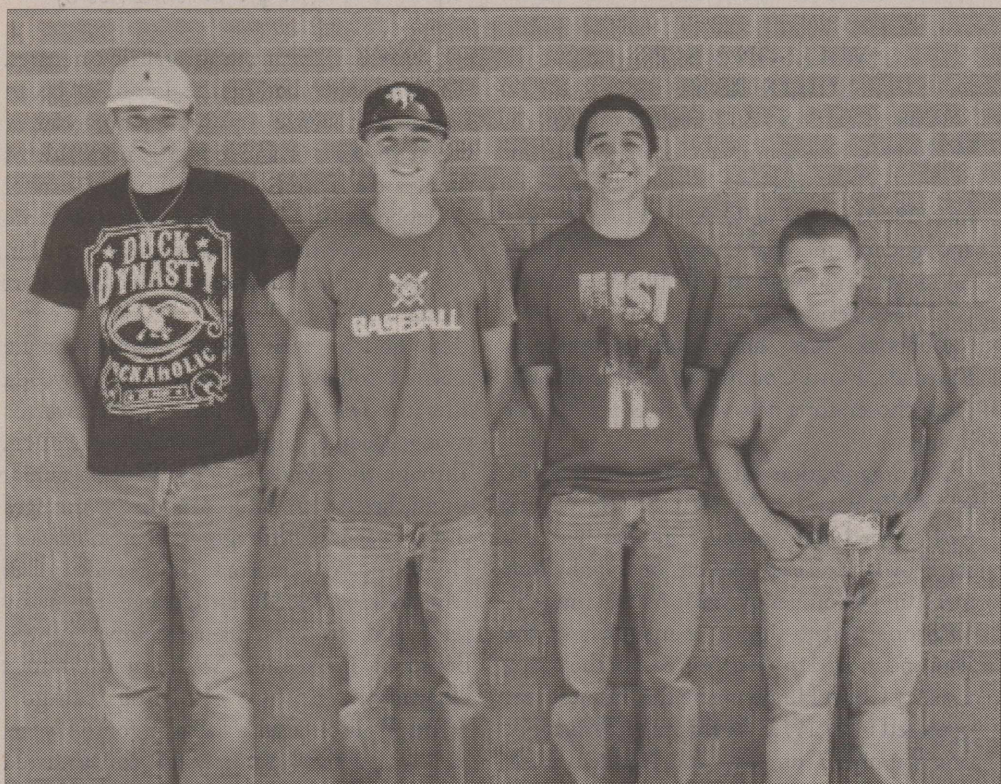
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SCHOOL NEWS

Floyd County 4-H'ers Outshoot Competition



Courtesy Photo

By Patty Davenport

Four Floyd County 4-H'ers competed at the inaugural District 2 Pistol Competition. Junior 4-H competitors (age 9 and 10) could compete in air pistol and small-bore pistol. Intermediate and senior 4-H'ers could compete in air pistol, small-bore pistol and center fire pistol. Juniors shot from a supported two-handed position using sandbags. Intermediates shot two-handed standing and seniors shot one-handed standing.

Congratulations go to all four competitors. Ryder Glass was the High Point Junior. He placed 3rd in air pistol

and 1st in small-bore. Arnie Martinez was the High Point Intermediate. He placed 1st in air pistol, 3rd in small-bore and 1st in center fire. Alex Glass was 3rd High Point Senior. He placed 2nd in air pistol, 4th in small-bore and 5th in center fire. Brayden Campbell was High Point Senior. He placed 1st in air pistol, 1st in small-bore and 6th in center fire.

These young men did a great job and we are very proud of them. The pistol team is coached by Winfield Davenport and Bill Glass. If you would like more information on 4-H and the shooting sports project, please contact the Texas Agrilife Office at 983-4912.

Spark officially opens for business

PLAINVIEW -- Wayland Baptist University and the Plainview Chamber of Commerce cut the ribbon on the Spark Business Accelerator program Friday morning.

Developed by Wayland's School of Business, the Spark Business Accelerator is designed to assist budding entrepreneurs in developing their business ideas. The Spark offices are located at 1812 B West 5th Street in Plainview.

Dr. Charles Starnes, associate dean of the School of Business at Wayland, said the services are open to anyone who is interested in pursuing a business idea, but might not understand the process involved or the steps to take in order to get started.

"Everyone has a great idea," Starnes said. "The problem is somebody else has to think it is a great idea in order for that idea to generate revenue. We want to try to find out what ideas have a chance to work in the market place."

Linda Morris, executive director of the Plainview Chamber of Commerce, said they have had many people visit the chamber office with good business ideas, but didn't know how to start the process. She said take advantage of Spark's offerings will be a benefit to the community.

"We are excited," Morris said. "Not only because the program is here, but because they are next door to us."

The Spark offices are located across from

the Chamber offices, on the other side of KFC.

Starnes explained that Wayland President Dr. Paul Armes came up with the original idea after the closure of Cargill Meat Solutions. Once Armes shared the idea, Starnes and the School of Business began researching the possibility with help from the Chamber of Commerce and other organizations.

As it is designed, the Business Accelerator will provide a place for entrepreneurs to discuss and research ideas, develop business plans and business models, and determine whether or not their ideas will be profitable in the existing marketplace. Spark will provide office space, as well as rooms where ideas can be discussed with other entrepreneurs. A nominal fee will be charged to cover operational costs for use of the space.

"The idea is to have about a 3- to 6-month program to help get those [entrepreneurial ideas] started," Starnes said. "Hopefully in that time, it will be realized whether or not that idea has the ability to gain traction in the marketplace."

"We are proud to bring students to Wayland Plainview and immerse them in the culture and context of this community," Armes said.

Anyone interested in more information or in taking advantage of Spark's offerings can call the offices at 806-213-7775 or email sparkbiz@wbu.edu.

Zavala Graduates from Eastern New Mexico University

PORTALES, NM -- Cynthia Zavala, of Lockney, graduated from Eastern New Mexico University on May 10, 2014.

Founded in 1934, Eastern New Mexico University is a state institution offering 91 associate, bachelor and master degree options. Combining a traditional learning environment with 21st century

technology, ENMU provides a rich educational experience for students from around the world. Courses are offered on campus and online.

For more information, contact the Office of Communication Services at 575-562-2154.

Find a HERO in You!

The Floydada Community Freedom Blood Drive will be held on Thursday, June 26th in the First Baptist Church Gym between the hours of 2 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. All donors will be entered into two drawings: The June "Arlington Getaway" drawing which includes 4 tickets to Six Flags + hotel & gas! And the "Grill Package" which includes a gas grill, propane and steaks.

To schedule an appointment, please contact Kim Perez, Chamber of Commerce at 983-3434 or log onto www.BloodHero.com - Sponsor Code: Floydada Please bring photo ID. Free cholesterol testing with every donation.

Phlebotomy course set for July 14 at South Plains College Byron Martin campus

LUBBOCK - South Plains College Byron Martin Advanced Technology Center will offer a phlebotomy course beginning July 14 through Sept. 3 in room 141.

The class will be conducted Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. through the duration of the course. Total cost for the course, including tuition and fees, is \$555. A maximum of 12 participants will be accepted.

All students must provide proof of immunizations including Hepatitis B Series, 2-MMRs since 1981, Tetanus no older than eight years, Varicella shot and have a current negative Tuberculosis test no older than six months prior to the first day of class.

A criminal background check will be performed for all participants.

Students will discuss theoretical and practical aspects of specimen

collection, use basic laboratory terminology, identify name and function of laboratory equipment and explain issues of quality control and safety.

This course is designed to prepare student to successfully complete the National Healthcare Association Certification Test included with this program.

For more information, call (806) 716-4906.

HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



CAN YOU TRUST YOUR EYES? There are at least 30 differences in drawing details between top and bottom panels. How quickly can you find them? Check answers with those below.

Public Notice

Notice is hereby given that South Plains Community Action Association Head Start and Early Head Start intends to destroy records of students who received special education and/or related services during 2007-2008. Records here in described include students receiving special education and/or related services in Brownfield, Denver City, Crosbyton, Floydada, Littlefield, Levelland, Lorenzo, Lubbock, Lorenzo, Morton, Muleshoe, O'Donnell, Olton, Plainview, Post, Ropesville, Slaton, Smyer and Sudan. Legal guardians of students with disabilities may upon request receive copies of records at SPCAA-Head Start located at 410 Houston, Levelland, Texas 79336 during regular business hours.

FISD SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

Floydada ISD is participating in the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided to all children ages 1-18 without charge and are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided at the sites and times as follows:

LUNCH FOR CHILDREN AGES 1-18

Summer Food Service Program on June 2-6, 2014, and then again July 14 - July 15, 2014, at Floydada High School, 618 Whirlwind Alley, Floydada, Texas 79235. Lunch times are from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Also we will have the Summer Food Service Program at Duncan Elementary School, 1011 S. 8th, Floydada, Texas, 79235 on June 9 - July 2, 2014 and then on July 7 - July 11, 2014.

MENU MONDAY

Beefy Macaroni, Garden Salad, Baby Carrots, Breadstick, Fruit, Milk

TUESDAY

Pizza, Salad, Veggie Cup, Fruit, Milk

WEDNESDAY

Crispy Tacos, Pinto Beans, Rice, Salsa, Fruit, Milk

THURSDAY

Corn dog, Mustard, Baked Beans, Cucumber & Tomato Cup, Fruit, Milk

FRIDAY

Cheeseburger, Mustard, Potato Rounds, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Pickles, Fruit, Milk

LOCKNEY ISD Seamless Summer Program				
June 3, 2014 - July 2, 2014				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	3	4	5	7
	Grilled Cheese Refried Beans Garden Salad Orange Smiles Milk Variety	Beef & Bean Burrito Oven Fries Fresh veggie cup Fruity gelatin Milk Variety	Meaty Macaroni Spinach Baby Carrots Applesauce Breadstick Milk Variety	Pizza Corn Diced pears Broccoli w/ ranch Milk Variety
9	10	11	12	13
Cheese Enchiladas Refried Beans Garden salad Salsa Sliced peaches Milk Variety	Hot Dog Potato Rounds Fresh Veggie cup Orange smiles Milk variety	Toasted Ham & Cheese Vegetable soup Baby Carrots Applesauce Milk Variety	Chicken Nuggets Mac & Cheese Garden Salads Green beans Apple Slices Crispy Cereal treat Milk Variety	Hamburger Corn Baby Carrots Diced Pears Milk variety
16	17	18	19	20
Pizza Dippers Baked Beans Tomato & Cucumber Apple - Pineapple D'Lite Milk Variety	Grilled Cheese Refried Beans Garden Salad Orange Smiles Milk Variety	Beef & Bean Burrito Oven Fries Veggie Cup Fruity Gelatin Milk Variety	Meaty Macaroni Garden Salad Baby Carrots Sliced Peaches Breadstick Milk Variety	Pizza Corn Broccoli w/ Ranch Diced Pears Milk Variety
23	24	25	26	27
Chicken Quesadillas Salsa Garden Salad Refried Beans Applesauce Milk Variety	Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Roll Strawberry cup Milk Variety	Chicken Fajitas Pinto Beans Corn Orange Smiles Milk Variety	Popcorn Chicken Garden Salad Baby Carrots Apple Slices Breadstick Milk Variety	Fish Sticks Fries Baby Carrots Sliced Peaches Milk Variety
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Corndog Baked Beans Tomato & Cucumber Mixed Fruit Milk Variety	Grilled Cheese Refried Beans Garden Salad Diced Pears Milk Variety	Beef & Bean Burrito Oven Fries Veggie Cup Sliced Peaches Milk Variety		

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Cowboy Performance at Copper Breaks State Park

QUANAHA, TX. — On Saturday, July 5, 2014, at 3:00 p.m., right after “Meet the Longhorns,” storyteller, songwriter, educator, and Cowboy Balladeer Larry Hannon will present his acclaimed story telling/singing performance, “Cowboy.”

Using both traditional and original material, putting old stories into lyrics and music, he creates an inspirational history lesson set to music that explores a way of life nearly extinct.

“In Larry’s songs and stories, you can smell the cow camp fire, hear the echo of hoofbeats, and the distant cry of the

coyote,” said park manager David D. Turner. “You don’t want to miss this.”

Back by popular demand, Hannon has performed at Copper Breaks before.

He offers school workshops for grade levels K through 12, Teacher In Service training, and Community concerts.

For more information on the Cowboy Poetry performance or other park programs or facilities, contact the park daily during business hours at (940)839-4331.

Copper Breaks State Park is located 13 miles south of Quanaha and eight miles north of Crowell on State Highway 6.

RACE From Page 1

Beginning his career with the insurance agency in 1974, Race says it’s time to hang it up as he will be retiring from Farm Bureau on June 30. The agency and the community will be honoring Race with a special reception from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday at Hale County Farm Bureau.

Born and raised in Floyd County, Race was able to easily connect with his agriculture-centered customers after growing up on a farm.

There, Race developed his strong work ethic while plowing the earth alongside his father on a farm just out of Lockney.

“I learned a lot about hard work and what needed to be done,” said Race.

But the learning period would be quick as he would soon become the man of the house, after his father John A. Race passed away, leaving Race to run the farm at the young age of 16.

“I was the oldest son, and my brother was about six years younger than me, so I had to take over the farm for my mother,” said Race.

For the next three years, Race toiled under the sun as he raised wheat and cotton to provide for his family.

“I think I was able to work better with the framers at Farm Bureau because I knew what they were going through,” said Race. “I

know the hard work they put in.”

At the age of 18, Race would leave the nest after marrying his wife Sherry.

To support his family, which now included children Jeff and Nicky, Race stayed in the ag scene by landing a job in 1965 as a salesman at Red Barn Fertilizer and Chemical in Akin. In 1968, Race made the move to the Lockney Co-op to do the same thing.

However, the future changed for Race in 1974 after his friend, Floyd County Farm Bureau manager Don Grantham, offered him a job at the insurance agency.

“I figured he was making a good living so I thought I would give it a shot,” said Race.

Race took to the career like a fish to water as he soon became an expert at life, auto, home, health and annuity insurance.

“Everything they needed, we could provide it,” said Race.

And Race’s agriculture background and dedication to his customers made him a rising star in the organization as he was soon promoted to manager of the Swisher County branch of Farm Bureau in 1978.

In 1981, Race returned home, working back in Floydada before being promoted to district manager in 1985.

“I was over about 25-30 counties at that time,” said Race.

But the position was not Race’s cup of tea as he said he missed the interaction with his customers.

Race became the manager of the branch in Weatherford two years later, and then worked in Pampa for the next nine years.

In 2001, Race made his way to Plainview to join the Hale County Farm Bureau team.

“This company has been very good to me,” said Race, who has seen the world thanks to the company. He has won the company’s Round Table Award 18 times and received the All-Star Award 23 years running.

Despite the numerous plaques on the wall that he has collected over the last 40 years, the most rewarding part of the job has been the people, and the stories he has accumulated along the way.

“There’s been a lot of stories,” said Race as he remembers once standing by a friend and customer at 3 a.m. as firefighters tried to extinguish his flaming house, and later helping another family recover after their boat sank.

“It’s been fun,” said Race.

But the fun is not over for Race, who says he will spend a lot of time in the future visiting his grandchildren Katie and Austin. Race says he will also continue refereeing area high school football, which he has done for the past 30 years.

The 501 The Fun Farm

The grandchildren are coming to the farm. Yea!

We must mow acres of grass, create a baseball diamond where the cows are now grazing, fill the little swimming pool we just bought, plant clues for a treasure hunt, bury the treasure, figure out what this year’s treasure will be, air ten bicycle tires, determine which tires aren’t holding air, replace or repair defective tubes, lay out the base-

lines and talk to our resident cotton-tails to get them used to the sound of voices so they’ll continue to graze around the house, not necessarily in that order. I’m forgetting some stuff.

Critters make a difference. With any luck, our bull snake will slither across the driveway, leaving his footless track in the sand. But he may have decided to live elsewhere now that we have poisoned all our rats and mice. Yea again! With a little more luck, the rodent that chose to die under the house will mummify in the prevailing heat, and the aroma of a dead rat will not be the memory our grandchildren carry home with them from their visit. (You who live in houses built on slabs miss a lot.)

Maybe we’ll make the traditional treasure hunt different this year and simply declare that anybody who can find Grandad’s lost cellphone gets \$100. I’m betting on Sadie, the grand-dog. Hugh and I had no luck finding his phone last Saturday. It didn’t ring

for us in any of the places he could have lost it, presumably because it landed where the signal is bad. That doesn’t narrow the possibilities by much.

So we’ll just let Sadie sniff one of Hugh’s bandanas and tell her to find the phone. She’ll probably find Hugh instead. But maybe the grandchildren will be amused. It’s all about amusing the grandchildren. Right?

Cutter is 7, and Rylee is 11, meaning they’re still young enough to be entertained. They’d better be. Did I mention the driving range, also planned for the cow pasture?

To top it all off, our musical farm hand Rick will sing and play his guitar for us by night. He’s Osage, Cheyenne and Pottawatomie – a living American history lesson for the kids and the rest of us too. Does it get any better?

Yes, there will be mud wrestling.

OK, maybe not. But we’ve got the mud. Lots of mud. When you try to fill one of those pools, things can go wrong. Don’t ask.

Yes, already unexpected things are happening, even as I write, and the family isn’t arriving until tomorrow. But isn’t that the fun of it? The unexpected? (I wish my husband thought so.)

Traditions count too. We’ll have the standard treasure hunt again this year, but we’ll wind up at a different badger hole. If we happen to find Grandad’s phone along the way, so much the better.

What can go wrong? Nothing, as long as we make it part of the adventure.

Remind me I said that if wild hogs invade our mud wallow.



HANABA MUNN WELCH

Home Country

By Slim Randles

On a good, warm Saturday morning, you have your choice here in our valley: yard saling or livestock saling. Since Windy didn’t need have much of a need to rummage through stacks of doilies or record albums starring Patti Page or the Kingston Trio, he headed for the sale barn.

You see, Alphonse “Windy” Wilson doesn’t have a ranch or farm. No, Windy was trolling for an audience.

He tried the coffee shop there, but there were just two ranchers there, and they were in an intense conversation. He walked around through the waiting pens, and it was there he saw the kids. There were three of them, teenage boys, chatting with each other, wearing hats and boots. Leaning on shovels. Windy knew what their jobs had to be and figured them as good audience fodder.

“Shore is a flamtastic kinda day, ain’t it boys?” Windy said, maneuvering so they would have to actually walk over him to get back to work. “Puts me to mind of the day we was all having a picnic up on Thompson Ridge ... you boys know what a picnic is? Oh, they still have ‘em, eh? Hard to keep up with all the new innervations you young people have ... I’m an old timer, you know? Oh, of course you knew.

“Wellsir, it was a day just like this, solarily speaking, with picnic writ all

over it, and there we were, just a salivatin’ along on Thompson Ridge, looking for a ‘propiate spot to have lunch, when the ground started to shake. It was a dad-gummed earthquake! We used to get one onct in a while, you know. Well boys, it shook and shook and the trees went wobbly at the knees and so did we. Some of us thought it was the end days, you know. But then it quit, and I can extrapolate to you that was a mighty good thing to have happen.

“And we sat down and opened our picnic baskets and do you know what? That there earthquake turned the young’uns’ ration of cow’s milk into vanilla milkshakes!”

Windy sighed. “Used to have some pretty good picnics in them days.”

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Applications are available at City Hall located at 218 East Locust or by email at cityoflockney@yahoo.com.

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AGRICULTURE

USDA Authorizes Emergency Grazing of CRP Acres for Floyd County

(Floydada, Texas) – June 23, 2014 – Floyd County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director, Stephanie Bradley Fryer today announced that Floyd County was authorized for emergency grazing use of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres for fiscal year (FY) 2014.

Unlike previous years, counties are not automatically approved for CRP emergency grazing when they reach the D2 (severe drought) level on the U.S. Drought Monitor. If there is a need for emergency grazing, each local FSA Office must request approval from the Texas FSA State Committee. Currently, 59 counties have received emergency grazing approval. The 90-day emergency grazing period for these counties will end Sept. 11, 2014.

Based on a policy decision made by the Texas FSA State Committee, CRP acres grazed during fiscal year 2012 or 2013 will be considered eligible for emergency grazing if NRCS verifies, on a case-by-case basis, that the conservation cover will sustain grazing. FSA's fiscal year runs from October 1 to September 30.

"Eligible producers who are interested in emergency grazing of CRP must request approval before grazing eligible acreage and must obtain a modified conservation plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service that includes grazing provisions," said Bradley Fryer. "Current provisions allow grazing on 100 percent of a field, up to the 75 percent stocking rate," she said.

There will be no CRP annual rental payment reduction for 2014 emergency grazing authorizations.

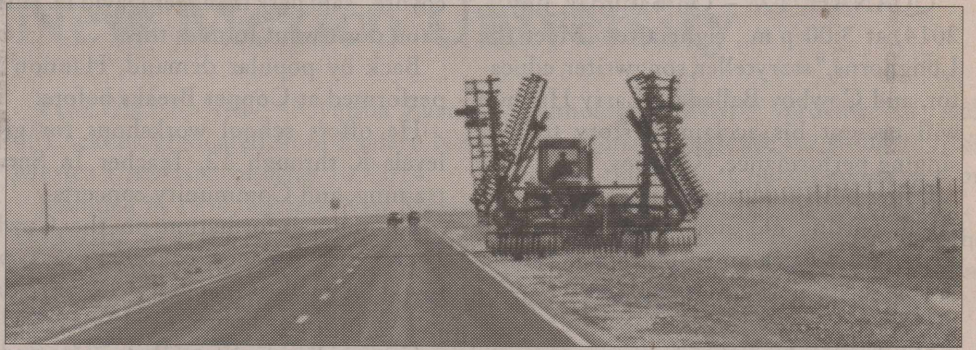
To take advantage of the emergency grazing provisions, authorized producers can use the CRP acreage for their own livestock or may grant another livestock producer use of the CRP acreage. The eligible CRP acreage is limited to acres located within the approved county.

Additionally, CRP land located within the Lesser Prairie Chicken Crucial Habitat Assessment Tool (CHAT) zones I, II and III will only be able to practice managed or routine grazing, managed harvesting, emergency haying or emergency grazing one out of every three years. This frequency regulation resets in 2014, meaning that any land hayed or grazed in prior years that meets the available forage requirement according to NRCS standards will be eligible for emergency use in 2014.

For more information and to request approval for emergency grazing use of CRP acres contact the Floyd County FSA office at 806.983.3763 ext 102.

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Watch for Tractors!



Chris Blackburn/Hesperian-Beacon
Motorists should be cautious of tractors on local roads and highways. By and large, farmers will pull over when they can, but the terrain, road signs, bridges and reflectors keep the tractors on the road at times.

Assignment: Texas Balmorhea



Pulling into the gates, I mention to my wife that this year marks the eleventh year we've come to Balmorhea State Park. In my mind it seems like yesterday but looking in the rearview mirror to the backseat, the three year



RUSSELL GRAVES

old that we had in tow our first year is now a teenager and her little brother sitting opposite of her was still a year away from being born into our family. I have literally watched them grow up swimming in the spring fed waters of this out of the way park in the unlikely of places.

I've been an enthusiast evangelist of the West Texas oasis. When people ask me for a recommendation on a fun but different family vacation, Balmorhea is always at the top of my list. Out on the edge of the creosote bush flats where the western Permian Basin meets the Davis Mountains, the swimming pool at Balmorhea is formed by San Solomon Springs - a 20 million gallon of water per day freshwater fountain that floods the man made, 2 acre swimming pool and the water flows out of the pool and downstream to provide drinking and agricultural water to an otherwise perennially parched landscape.

The spring gets its water from occasional rainfall that erupts over the dis-

tant mountains to the west and southwest. The water collects and flows through subterranean fissures and bubbles to the surface about two miles west of the Balmorhea city limits proper. Discovered long ago by Native Americas who roamed the mountains and basins region, the spring once consisted of a small pool surrounded by cattails, rushes, and other aquatic vegetation. In the 1930's, however, under the direction of the Civilian Conservation Corp, the spring and its natural pool was encased by a concrete retaining wall and flooded. When you swim in the pool today, you are the beneficiary of an ambitious project that embarked over seven decades ago.

In the boomerang shaped pool, one end is akin to a traditional swimming pool with a flat concrete bottom. In the rest of the swimming pool, rocks and aquatic vegetation line the bottom. Too deep to touch, most

of the natural part of the pool's bottom ranges from about 10 to 25 feet deep. The vegetation, rocks, and algae help keep the water clean even without the aid of modern filtration systems or chemicals. Moving water and a natural nitrogen conversion system designed perfectly by mother nature helps keep the water crystal clear even at the deepest depths. As such, when you swim, you share the pool with catfish, Mexican Tetra, soft-shelled turtles, and the rare Comanche Springs pupfish.

On a perfect June Saturday I swim with my kids all day long. We snorkel, jump off the diving boards, and swim around the pool. I even take the time to scuba dive in the crystal clear water and photograph the rare fish species.

It's the day before the official Father's Day observance but the change to do things like this with my kids makes every day Father's Day for me.

Drew Springer
REPUBLICAN STATE REPRESENTATIVE
A strong Constitutional conservative

Friends and Neighbors, Because of the level of attention this issue has received, I wanted to send out a newsletter regarding what is currently happening along the border. The following is an update about the current situation and what House Leadership has done to provide relief for Texans:

I have been discussing the recent surge with my colleagues, including those from the border, and working with House Leadership to find a solution to address the Federal Government's failure to protect the U.S.- Mexico Border. The last few weeks have seen a sharp rise in illegal immigrants entering our country. Along with violence and drugs, the neglected children of foreign countries have become a serious humanitarian crisis. This is why I was pleased to receive a letter signed by the Governor, Lt. Governor, and House Speaker outlining a plan to address the crisis along the border.

I agree with Attorney General Abbott's recent letter to Secretary Johnson - that this burden must be shouldered by the Federal Government. In fact, Article Four, Section Four of the U.S Constitution

states that the "United States shall guarantee to every State a republican form of government and shall protect each of them against invasion."

However, wherever the federal government falls short, Texas must step in. Failure to do so would only embolden those who seek to do us harm. Every day, Mexican Drug Cartels use this negligence as a diversionary tactic, sidestepping an otherwise capable border patrol that today is stretched too thin. These gangs are involved in various crimes against Texans, spanning from kidnaps and murder to drugs and human trafficking.

The letter outlines a plan to increase border security through a program the State of Texas has had past success with. Last year, Operation Strong Safety dramatically reduced crime rates related to drugs, cartel activity, and gang violence. A ver-

sion of this program would amount to approximately 1.3 million dollars a week for the remainder of the year. I believe this is a reasonable cost to pay for the safety of all Texans.

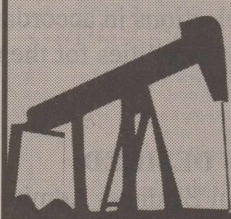
However, Texans should not be saddled with the cost of protecting the U.S. - Mexico Border. We intend to pursue the United States Government to fully reimburse the cost placed upon the State of Texas. I will continue to work with House Leadership to hold the federal government financially accountable for disregarding both the constitution and the safety of Texans.

I pray for the safety of all Americans - as well as for the safe and speedy return back home to all those who disregard our sovereign border.

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Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Tim Franks, Pastor Terry Simmons, Minister of Ed./Music Josh Burgett - Min. Students Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Morning Worship ... 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Lockney Jonathan Sullivan, Pastor Chad Cook, Youth Min. Phil Cotham, Music Min. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday..... 6:30 p.m. Wednesday (Youth) . 7:15 p.m. *****</p>	<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Floydada Rev. Les Hall, Pastor Morning Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School..... 10:50 a.m. Youth (Sunday)..... 5:00 p.m. Youth (Wednesday).. 6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Lockney Rev. Ricky Carstensen, Pastor Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Evening Service..... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Jr. High 5:30 p.m. Wed. 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Wit and Wisdom of Texas

By Charles Keaton

Wit and Wisdom of Texas looks to show the readers the common sense and uncommon genius of many Texans from the past to the present. I hope you enjoy and delight in these comments.

"I like Texas and Texans. In Texas, everything is bigger. When Texans win, they win big. And when they lose, it's spectacular. If you really want to learn the attitude of how to handle risk, losing and failure, go to San Antonio and visit the Alamo. The Alamo is a great story of brave people who chose to fight, knowing there was no hope of success against overwhelming odds. They chose to die instead of surrendering. It's an inspiring story worthy of study; nonetheless, it's still a tragic military defeat. They got their butts kicked. A failure if you will. They lost. So

how do Texans handle failure? They still shout, "Remember the Alamo!" That's why I like Texans so much. They took a great failure and turned it into a tourist destination that makes them millions. Texans don't bury their failures. They get inspired by them. They take their failures and turn them into rallying cries. Failure inspires Texans to become winners. But that formula is not just the formula for Texans. It is formula for all winners." -Robert T. Kiyosaki, Rich Dad, Poor Dad: What the Rich Teach Their Children About Money That the Poor and Middle Class Don't

"As a Texan, I say ma'm and sir to my age contemporaries and open doors for anyone that I can. This goes for men, too, though it is appreciated when they beat me to it and disappointing when they don't." -Tiffany Madison

Protect Your Family from Harmful UV Rays

(StatePoint) Ultraviolet (UV) rays are a danger to skin and eyes year-round, playing a contributing factor to skin damage, skin cancer and eye disorders like cataracts. With people spending more time outdoors in the summer months, it's a great time to protect your family.

"The more time you spend outdoors without protecting your eyes, the greater your risk for ocular damage," says Dr. James Winnick, an optometrist with VSP Vision Care, the largest not-for-profit vision benefits company in the United States.

Rather than avoid the problem entirely by seeking refuge inside, take steps to mitigate your risk in the sun.

Consider Risk Factors

While all people need to protect their eyes from UV radiation, some populations are more sensitive than others to the sun. For example, children don't yet have the natural protection in their eyes that adults have, so they get most of their exposure before they are 18. Additionally, people living with diabetes have increased light sensitivity.

No matter who you are, protecting your eyes outdoors is crucial, say experts.

"One of the most convenient ways to ensure you're constantly protecting your eyes from UV rays and excess light is to opt for photochromic lenses, which are lenses that darken automatically to changing sunlight

conditions when outdoors," says Winnick. "These lenses can be especially useful for kids and adults who have trouble remembering to switch from their regular glasses to sunglasses throughout the day."

Protection for Entire Family

Photochromic lenses are a great way to ensure everyone in the family is getting automatic and constant protection from UV radiation -- whether it's playing in the backyard or walking from the car into the office. And an added benefit is that your eyes will be much more comfortable in all light conditions, helping reduce eye strain and squinting.

Choose Wisely

It's important to look for a brand of photochromic lenses that both darken and fade back quickly. For example, a new type of photochromic lenses called sunsync starts darkening within seconds of UV exposure and returns to clear within just minutes of going indoors. More information about sunsync lenses can be found at

www.vsp.com/sunsync.

Reflected Light is a Concern

Sunlight is reflected off water, sidewalks, buildings -- almost everything -- and it goes in every direction. While sunglasses and photochromic lenses protect from UV light passing through the front of the lenses, a new trend in eye protection takes on the back side of lenses as well.

A special anti-reflective treatment can now be added to the back of lenses that helps prevent UV radiation from reflecting off of them and into your eyes. The great news is that some lens brands, like UNITY, offer this "backside UV" treatment at no additional cost depending on the options you choose for your new photochromic lenses.

Don't wait for UV exposure to get the best of your eye health. Just as you use sunblock, you should have some protection for your eyes throughout the day. This summer, take steps to better protect your family.

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