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Deon Fincher

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## Fincher to begin as new editor of Hesperian-Beacon

The Hesperian-Beacon

The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon welcomes Floydada resident, Deon Fincher, onto the staff as Editor. She will be working directly with Editor Barbara Anderson.

Recently acting as Floydada's Chamber of Commerce Manager, Fincher is well-versed in the pulse of the community.

"I honestly believe that Floydada and Lockney's revival and regeneration are within reach, and just around the corner," stated Fincher when asked about her plans and contributions to the Hesperian-Beacon. "It will take some effort; however, by bonding closer together, the possibilities can be endless. Our local newspaper can be the catalyst that acts as the glue."

Fincher is no stranger to Floyd County. Her family moved here in the early 1980s. Perry and Zelda Zumwalt worked with the City Park Church of Christ for five years. Fincher, herself, graduated from Floydada High School in 1982. During the two years that she attended classes here, she was

the editor of the FHS newspaper. Fincher also competed at the UIL State level, placing second in Headline Writing and Feature Writing.

"We are thrilled to have Deon on board," said Chris Blackburn, publisher. "She brings energy and ideas we need to improve the Hesperian-Beacon. I know she can build this newspaper and help build Floydada and Lockney. I'm very excited to see her in action!"

Initially attending ACU upon graduation, she transferred to Texas Tech to complete and obtain a degree in accounting. Throughout her adult life, Fincher has worked in Public Relations and Accounting in New Mexico, Texas and California.

Fincher came back to Floydada in 2016 to marry Terry Fincher. She has three children, all grown, living in New Mexico, Texas and California. Her stepson, Brady Fincher, lives in New Mexico as well. WB and Mary Alice Aiken and Leroy and Betty Chowning are the Fincher's great-grandparents and grandparents.

## City Crews begin demolition

By Deon Fincher  
 The Hesperian-Beacon

The walls of 112 East California Street shook with the pounding force of the excavator as the City crews began the demolition of the downtown sidewalks in preparation for the framing and pouring of new walkways courtesy of Texas Department of Agriculture's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

The Texas Capital Fund Downtown Revitalization and Main Street Program is funded to improve public areas for economic development and community development in rural areas. According to City Manager Jeff Johnston, the CDBG is a matching grant up to \$250,000. The matching funds consist of "in-kind force," an amount equivalent to the cost of the City's labor during the demolition.

AAJ Concrete crew, of Lockney, are constructing the new ADA Street Corner ramps located on the intersections of Missouri and Wall and East California and Wall as well as the new walkways. The concrete, supplied by Floydada Ready Mix, is being formed into



Photos by Deon Fincher/Hesperian-Beacon

Pieces of old sidewalk being collected by City backhoes.

Albert Chavarria and Manuel Bariantos, both employees of the City of Floydada, use the concrete saw to prepare the original pad for the new sidewalk.



curb and gutters and sidewalk pads that will allow for vital run-off of storm water as well as eliminate conditions hazardous to the public health.

"It's exciting to be able to provide this added piece of infrastructure for those new business owners that are moving into the downtown area," stated Johnston. "These grant funds are letting us make much-needed improvements," he added, in both safety and cosmetic qualities. When asked about the street lights that will be installed, Johnston said that

all light poles on the downtown square will match the original fixtures placed on Missouri Street.

All ADA required walkways and new sidewalks located down Wall Street and across East California Street should be completed within the week.

The City crew working on this downtown revitalization project includes: Jack Alaniz, Julian Alaniz, Edward Sanchez, Albert Chavarria, and Manuel Bariantos. Electricians Ray Perez and Evan Garcia are also contributing to the project.

## Construction of new Floydada school to begin soon

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Site work for new High School/Junior High has begun.

The first step in the process is to prepare the soil on the site for all the different phases that will follow.

Actual construction of the educational buildings will start in a few days and will begin with the basement. This phase will be largely "unseen"

because the basement will be large enough for a storm shelter that can accommodate 450 people. The floor of the basement will be 18 feet below ground level so most of the initial work will not be visible.

The shell of the career and technology building will be one of the first structures that will be erected. It will be on the northeast corner of the new complex. The new football stadium

will be constructed early but will not be ready for the 2018 season, mainly because there will be no dressing rooms for players and officials constructed during this phase.

Construction of the transportation and maintenance building will also be started early in the process because it will be offsite where student activity would not be a problem.

## 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 COOPERATIVE GINS

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

### OLD SETTLER'S ASSN. MEETING

The Old Settler's Association will hold a meeting on Monday, April 30th at 6:30 p.m. at the First National Bank of Floydada. See **UPCOMING**, Page 10

## Correction

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

## News on the go



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## Floyd County among counties in drought disaster designation

Compiled from media reports

Texas Governor Greg Abbott has issued a State Disaster Declaration due to drought conditions across the state. These drought conditions pose an imminent threat to public health, property, and the economy.

Drought conditions can lead to an increased threat of wildfire. According to the Office of Governor Greg Abbott, Abbott has authorized the use of all available

resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to address the situation.

"I want to assure the citizens of Texas that we will do all we can to respond to this threat and ensure their safety and the protection of their property," said Governor Abbott. "I encourage those in these counties to heed the warnings of local officials and do all they can to stay out of harm's way.



Courtesy photos

Friday night wildfires spread to engulf 6,500 acres near Afton, which is 25 miles from Dougherty and the Floyd County Line. Volunteer Fire Departments and first responders from Dickens County and surrounding areas assisted and were able to contain and extinguish the fire 100% before 11 p.m. that evening.

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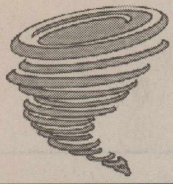
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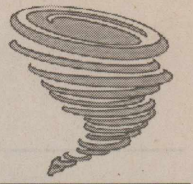




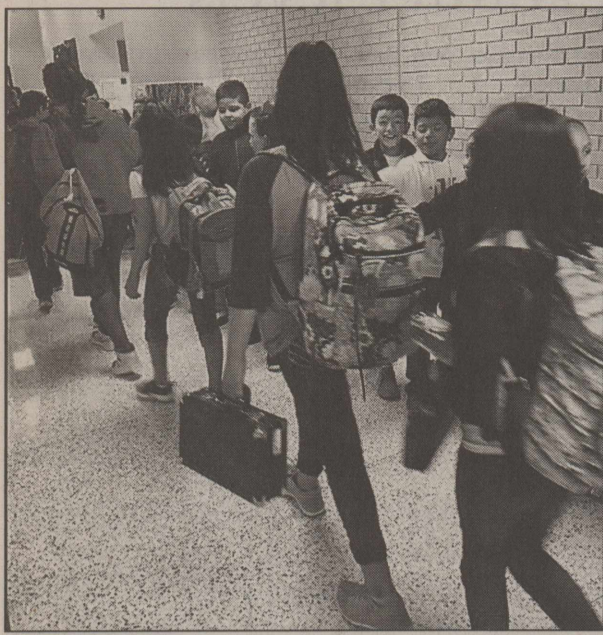




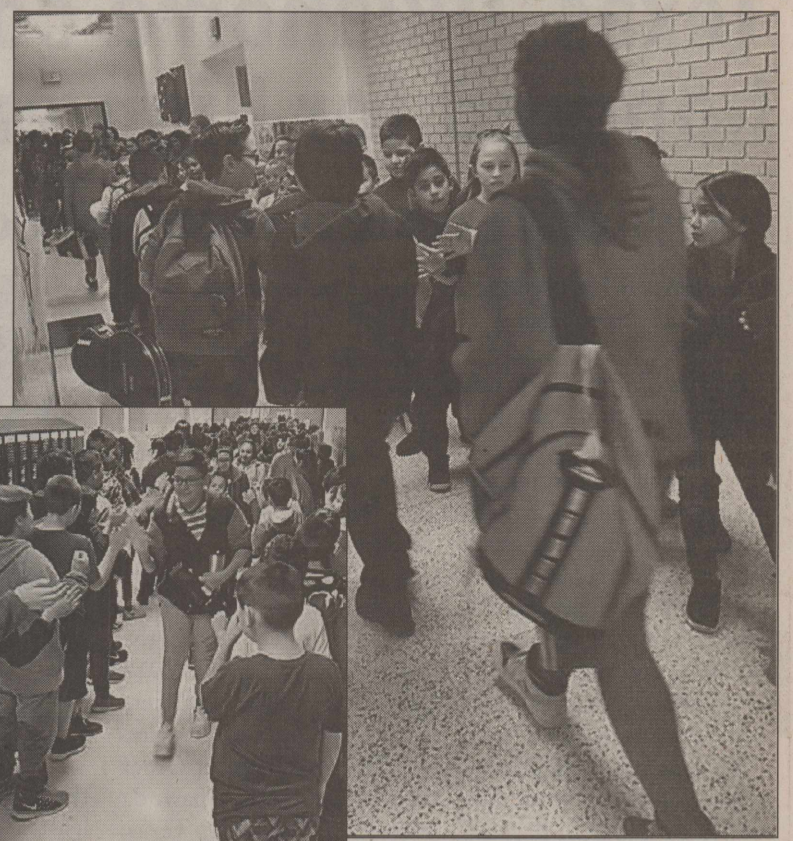
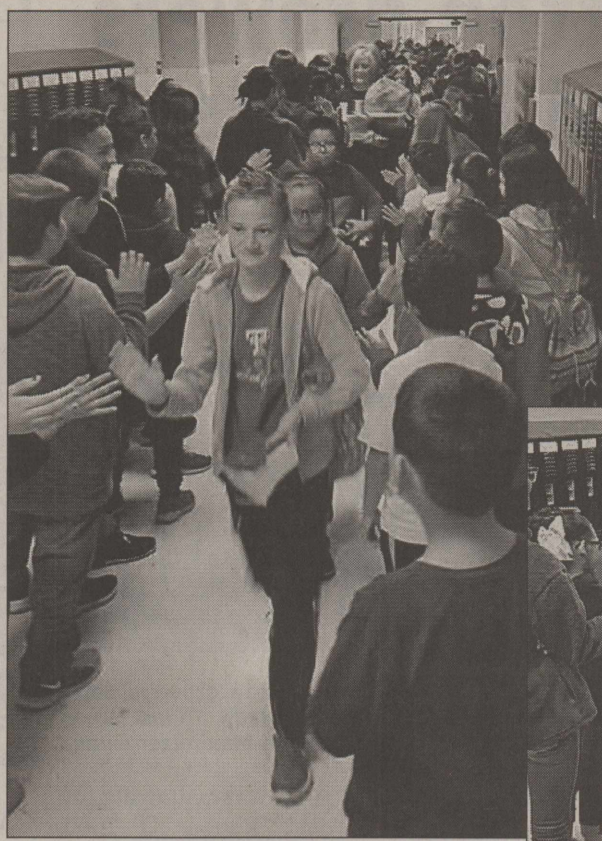
# Floydada Whirlwinds



## FISD STAAR



Courtesy photos  
A.B. Duncan students giving high fives and wishing STAAR testing students good luck.



## Whirlwinds take two from Olton

By Charles Keaton  
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Floydada took two games from the Olton Mustangs on Friday, April 6. In Game One, the Whirlwinds held Olton to four hits as they took the 3-0 victory and in the second game, the Winds used two four-run innings to outlast the Mustangs 11-5.

### GAME ONE: FLOYDADA 3, OLTON 0

Although both teams had opportunities to score in the first three and one-half innings, it wasn't until the bottom of the fourth that Floydada broke through with a run. With two outs, Jose Lira singled and moved to second on an error. Courtesy runner Jeremiah Johnston came in to run for Lira. A single by Luke Holcombe scored Johnston, giving the Whirlwinds a 1-0 lead.

After a three up and three down top of the fifth for Olton, the Winds added another run in the bottom of the inning. Angel Cervera reached on a dropped third strike then with one out, moved to second on an error. Cervera stole third then scored on an error by the catcher, giving the Winds a 2-0 lead.

In the top of the sixth, Olton went three up and three down. With two outs in the bottom of the inning, Floydada added another run. Marcus Perez singled the moved to second and third on defensive indifference. Cervera singled to drive in Perez and give Floydada a 3-0 lead.

Olton got two men on in the top of the seventh but were unable to score as Floydada took the 3-0 victory.

For Floydada, Cervera went 1-4 with one RBI and one run scored and Holcombe went 1-2 with one RBI. Devan Perez pitched seven innings allowing no runs on four hits while striking out eight.

For Olton, Zane Gunter went 2-3. Gunter pitched five innings allowing two runs on four hits while striking out five and walking four and Aaron Corpus pitched one inning allowing one run on two hits.

### GAME TWO: FLOYDADA 11, OLTON 5

In game two, Floydada used two four-run innings to hold off Olton in an 11-5 victory.

In the top of the first, the Mustangs struck first. Corpus was hit by a pitch to lead off the game then with two outs, stole second. JC Pedroza walked then Corpus stole third and scored on a wild pitch to give Olton the early 1-0 lead. In the bottom of the inning, Alex Glass was hit by a pitch to lead off the Whirlwinds at-bat. Glass stole second then M Perez walked. Cervera singled to drive in Glass. Perez stole third and Cervera stole second. A groundout by Mike Delafuente scored Perez as Cervera moved to third. D Perez reached on an error that allowed Cervera to score. D Perez stole second and moved to third on a passed ball. Arnie Martinez walked then Jordan Mendoza grounded out as D Perez scored, giving the Winds a 4-1 lead after one inning.

Olton went down in order in the second. Andres Suarez walked to lead off for Floydada in the bottom of the second. A wild pitch allowed Suarez to move to second

then Suarez stole third and scored on an error. With one out, M Perez walked, stole second and moved to third on an error. An error allowed M Perez to score, giving the Winds a 6-1 lead.

In the top of the third, Olton went three up and three down. In the bottom of the inning, Lira reached on an error and Johnston came in to run. Johnston stole second then moved to third on a fielder's choice. Glass singled to drive in Johnston, giving the Winds a 7-1 lead after three innings.

Olton was unable to score with one on the top of the fourth. For Floydada, Cervera reached on an error to lead off the bottom half of the inning. Cervera stole second then scored on an error that allowed D Perez to reach base. With Gerry Reyes pinch hitting for Martinez, D Perez stole second then moved to third on a single by Reyes. D Perez scored when Mendoza singled. Jaiden Blakey pinch hit for Lira then singled to drive in Reyes, giving the Whirlwinds an 11-1 lead after four innings.

In the top of the fifth, Jimmy Guerrero walked to lead off the inning then with one out, Kai Muse walked. Corpus singled to drive in Guerrero as Muse moved to third and Corpus moved to second on an error. Brian Capen singled to drive in Muse then Capen stole second. Gunter singled to drive in Corpus then Pedroza walked to load the bases. Capen then scored on an error by the catcher as the Mustangs cut into the Floydada lead, trailing 11-5. Floydada went three up and three down but still led 11-5 after five innings.

Neither team scored in the sixth. Olton put two on in the top of the seventh but could not score as the Whirlwinds took the 11-5 victory.

For Floydada, Mendoza went 1-4 with two RBIs and one run scored, Blakey went 1-1 with two RBIs, Cervera went 1-4 with one RBI and two runs scored and D Perez went 1-4 with one RBI and two runs scored. Holcombe pitched four and one-third innings allowing five runs on three hits while striking out four and walking five and M Perez pitched two and two-thirds innings striking out five.

For Olton, Corpus went 1-3 with one RBI and two runs scored, Capen went 1-4 with one RBI and one run scored and Gunter went 1-4 with one RBI. Capen pitched three innings allowing seven runs on three hits with four walks, Corpus pitched one-third of an inning allowing four runs on two hits while striking out one and Pedroza pitched two and two-thirds innings allowing one hit while striking out three.

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

Floydada played Lockney on April 10 and will play a double-header with Ralls on April 14 and Crosbyton on April 17. Olton played Springlake-Earth on April 10 and will play New Deal in a double-header on April 14 and Abernathy on April 17.

## Lady Winds take down Lady Horns

By Charles Keaton  
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Floydada used a four-run third inning to break away from the Lockney Lady Horns in a District 2-2A softball action on April 7. The Lady Winds 9-5 victory improves them to 7-2 in District while Lockney drops to 4-5.

Lockney jumped out to the early lead in the top of the first. Karissa Petty walked with one out then Reagan Nuncio singled, and Madai Chavira walked to load the bases. Jasmine Cuba singled to drive in Petty. After Chavira was picked off at second, Aleah Jimenez singled to drive in Nuncio and give the Lady Horns a 2-0 lead. In the bottom of the inning, Floydada tied the game up. Hannah Morales walked with one out, then Stefanni Chavarria was hit by a pitch. With two outs, Alexis Hernandez doubled to drive in Morales and Chavarria, tying the game at 2-2 after one inning.

Neither team was able to score in the second inning.

In the top of the third, Nuncio led off with a double then scored on a two-out single by Jimenez, to give the Lady Horns their last lead at 3-2. In the bottom of the third, Morales led off with a single then Chavarria doubled to drive in Morales. A single by Kylie Ricketts moved Chavarria to third. Ricketts stole second and Chavarria stole home. Emily Cisneros singled then a double by Angela Vega scored Ricketts and Cisneros, giving the Lady Winds a 6-3 lead after three innings.

Lockney added a run in the top of the fourth. Alyssa Barretero reached on an error with one out, ending up a second. Barretero stole

third then a double by Petty scored Barretero making it 6-4 Floydada. In the bottom of the inning, Morales led off with a walk, then with two outs, Hernandez drilled a two-run home run to center field, driving in Morales and giving Floydada an 8-4 lead.

In the top of the fifth, Tatyana Cienfuegos pounded a home run to left field as the Lady Horns cut Floydada's lead to 8-5. With two outs in the bottom of the inning, D Cervera singled then stole second. A single by A Obregon drive in Cervera, giving Floydada a 9-5 lead.

Neither team scored in the sixth. Lockney was unable to extend the game in the top of the seventh as they went three up and three down and the Lady Winds claimed the 9-5 victory.

For Lockney, Nuncio went 2-4 with two runs scored, Jimenez went 2-4 with two RBIs and Cienfuegos went 2-4 with one RBI and one run scored. Nuncio pitched six innings allowing nine runs on 11 hits while striking out 11 and walking four.

For Floydada, Hernandez went 3-4 with four RBIs and one run scored and Chavarria went 1-3 with one RBI and two runs scored.

Floydada played Hale Center on April 10 and will play Abernathy on April 14 and New Deal on April 17 to close out the regular season. Lockney was open on April 10 and will play Hale Center on April 14 and Abernathy on April 17. They have a make up game with New Deal on April 21.

Abernathy and Ralls are 8-1 in district, Floydada is 7-2, Lockney is 4-5, New Deal is 3-5 and Crosbyton and Hale Center are 1-9.

## Whirlwinds shut out Longhorns

By Charles Keaton  
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Floydada pitcher Alex Glass allowed the Lockney Longhorns only four hits as the Whirlwinds defeated their county rival 12-0 on April 10.

In the top of the first, the Whirlwinds jumped out to the early lead. Glass, leading off, appeared to hit a home run but failed to touch first base and was called out on an appeal by the Longhorns. Marcus Perez followed by drawing a four-pitch walk then stole second. Angel Cervera singled as M Perez moved to third the Mike Delafuente singled to drive in M Perez and Cervera and give the Whirlwinds a 2-0 lead. Lockney, despite getting two runners on base, failed to score as the Whirlwinds held a 2-0 lead after one inning.

With one out for the Whirlwinds, Andres Suarez singled then Glass singled as Suarez moved to third. Jeremiah Johnston came in as a courtesy runner for Glass. With two outs, Cervera singled to drive in Suarez and Johnston then Delafuente tripled to drive in Cervera. An error allowed Devan Perez to reach base as Delafuente scored, giving Floydada a 6-0 lead. For Lockney in the bottom of the inning, Noel Cisneros singled to lead off but was left stranded on base. Floydada led 6-0 after two innings.

Jordan Mendoza led off with a single in the top of the third for Floydada. Jose Lira reached on a fielder's choice as Mendoza was forced out at second. After a fly out, Lira was caught trying to steal to end the Whirlwinds at-bat. Lockney went three up and three down as the Whirlwinds continue to hold a 6-0 lead.

Neither team scored in the fourth as Floydada continued to lead, 6-0.

In the top of the fifth, D Perez led

off with a walk then Arnie Martinez singled. Mendoza walked to load the bases then Lira reached on an error that allowed D Perez to score. Suarez hit a sacrifice fly that scored Martinez then Glass doubled to drive in Mendoza and Lira. With Johnston running for Glass, M Perez singled to drive in Johnston as M Perez moved to second on the throw. Cervera doubled to drive in Perez, giving the Whirlwinds a 12-0 lead. A two-out double by Israel Cuellar for Lockney failed to lead to any runs and Floydada headed home with a 12-0 run-rule victory over the Longhorns.

For Floydada, Glass went 2-4 with two RBIs, Cervera went 3-4 with three RBIs and two runs scored and Delafuente went 2-4 with three RBIs and one run scored. Glass pitched five innings allowing no runs on four hits while striking out two and walking one.

For Lockney, Cuellar went 1-3, Nikolas Rendon went 1-2, Shawn Marquez went 1-2 and Cisneros went 1-2. Ruben Marmolejo pitched four innings allowing nine runs on nine hits while striking out three and walking four and Bryce Reese pitched one inning allowing three runs on three hits while striking out one. For Floydada, Hernandez went 3-4 with four RBIs and one run scored and Chavarria went 1-3 with one RBI and two runs scored.

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### FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU

April 26 - April 29

| Monday   | Thursday  |
|--|---|
| <b>Breakfast</b> - Morning sausage roll, cereal, fresh fruit selection, milk<br><b>Lunch</b> - Popcorn chicken w/ roll, crispy turkey corn dog, Crispy cut fries, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk | <b>Breakfast</b> - Sugar Cocoa Puffs, graham crackers, fresh fruit, milk<br><b>Lunch</b> - Chicken nuggets w/roll, turkey chili dog, peppered corn fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk |
| Tuesday  | Friday  |
| <b>Breakfast</b> - Cheese omelet, cereal, fresh fruit, milk<br><b>Lunch</b> - Salisbury steak w/roll & rice, chicken fried steak sandwich, spiced green beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk    | <b>Breakfast</b> - Egg, cheese, turkey sausage burrito, cereal, fresh fruit, milk<br><b>Lunch</b> - Pepperoni pizza, ham and cheese sub, crispy crinkle                             |
| Wednesday  |   |
| <b>Breakfast</b> - Turkey pancake breakfast on a stick, cereal, fresh fruit, milk  |   |

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# Lockney Longhorns

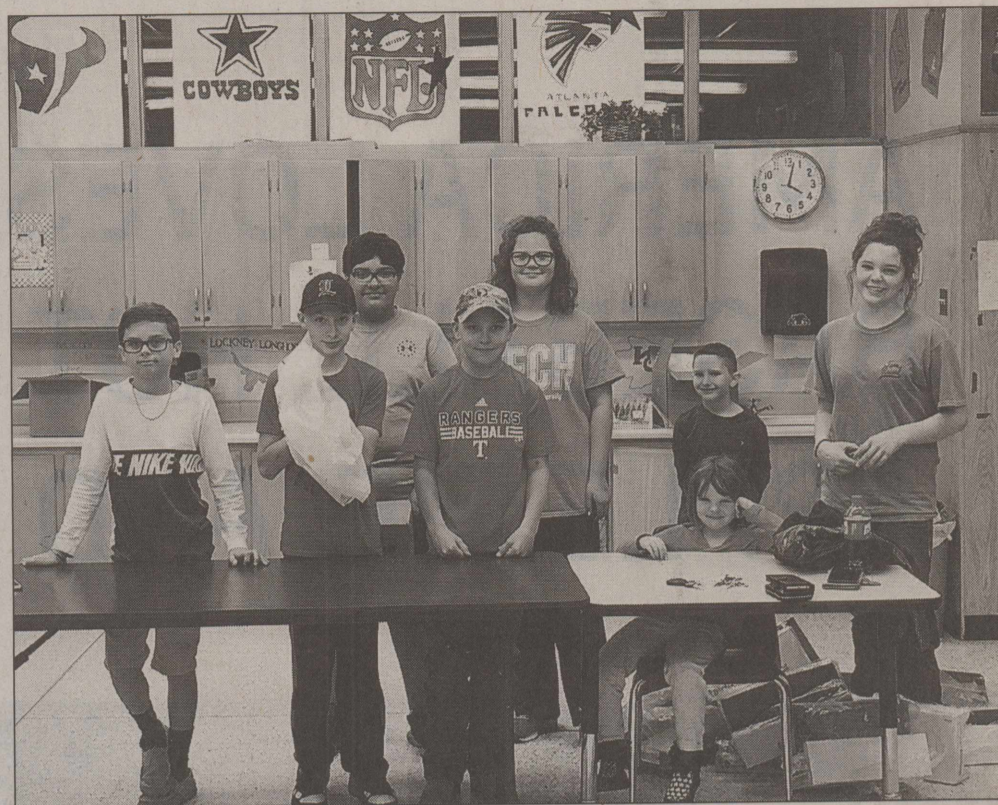
## Lockney High Cheerleaders



Courtesy photo

**2018-2019 LOCKNEY HIGH VARSITY CHEERLEADERS** – Members of the 2018-2019 LHS cheerleaders are (Back row, left to right) Kaylee Berumen, Kaylee McInvalle, Gissel San Martin (mascot), Tyra Rosales, Anahi Ascencio, Madai Chavirra; (Front row, left to right) Fette Jackson, Brianna Rodriguez, Reagan Nuncio, Sierra Landeros, Aurelia Cruz (mascot), and Miranda Sarinana.

## Floyd County 4-H



Courtesy Photo

**Floyd County 4-H members helping out with the Snak Pak 4 Kids in Lockney. Giving back to the community through service.**

### District 2-2A Baseball Standings

| *2-2A BB      | W  | L |
|---------------|----|---|
| P2-Abernathy  | 10 | 2 |
| New Deal      | 8  | 2 |
| Floydada      | 9  | 4 |
| Lockney       | 4  | 5 |
| Ralls         | 4  | 5 |
| Olton         | 3  | 7 |
| Hale Center   | 2  | 8 |
| Crosbyton     | 1  | 8 |
| P1-Springlake | 0  | 0 |

P2-Clinched 2A Playoff Spot

P1-Clinched 1A Playoff Spot

\*Games against Springlake do not count in district standings

#### Schedule for April 17

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

#### Schedule for April 21

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

#### Schedule for April 24

- (end of season)
- Abernathy vs Ralls
- New Deal vs Crosbyton
- Springlake-Earth vs Floydada
- Hale Center vs Olton
- Lockney – OPEN

Make-Up Game To Be Announced

- Lockney vs Ralls
- Ralls vs Crosbyton

### District 2-2A Softball Standings

| 2-2A SB          | W  | L  |
|------------------|----|----|
| SD-<br>Abernathy | 10 | 1  |
| P-Ralls          | 9  | 2  |
| P-Floydada       | 8  | 3  |
| Lockney          | 5  | 5  |
| New Deal         | 4  | 6  |
| Crosbyton        | 1  | 10 |
| Hale Center      | 1  | 11 |

SD – Share of District Title

P – Playoff Spot

#### Schedule for April 17

- (end of season)
- Lockney vs Abernathy
- Ralls vs Crosbyton
- Floydada vs New Deal
- Hale Center – OPEN

Make-Up Game – April 21

- Lockney vs New Deal

## Lady Horns take down Hale Center

By Charles Keaton  
The Hesperian-Beacon

**LOCKNEY** – Lockney scored nine runs in the bottom of the first then cruised to a 19-5 victory over the Hale Center Lady Owls in district action on April 14.

After the Lady Owls failed to score in the top of the first, the Lady Horns scored nine runs. Reagan Nuncio led off by drawing a walk then moved to second on a wild pitch and to third on a passed ball. Karissa Petty walked then stole second. Aleah Jimenez singled to drive in Nuncio. Tatyana Cienfuegos reached on an error that allowed Petty and Jimenez to score as Cienfuegos moved to second on the play. With one out, Cienfuegos moved to third on a passed ball then Alyssa Barretero walked. Isabel Cruz was hit by a pitch to load the bases. Jessica Hernandez singled, driving in Cienfuegos and Barretero. A single by Madai Chavira scored Cruz and moved Hernandez to third. Nuncio singled to drive in Hernandez then Petty walked to load the bases. Jimenez singled to drive in Chavira and Nuncio as the Lady Horns took a 9-0 lead after one inning.

Hale Center failed to score in the top of the second. In the bottom of the second with one out, Barretero was hit by a pitch then Cruz reached on an error. Hernandez singled to load the bases then Barretero scored on a passed ball. Chavira then hit a three-run home run to center field, scoring Cruz and Hernandez. Nuncio singled then moved to third on an error. Petty walked then Nuncio scored on a passed ball. With Petty at second, Jimenez singled to drive her in and make it 15-0 for the Lady Horns after two innings.

In the top of the third, Marissa Rodriguez reached on an error for the Lady Owls then stole second. Johanna Ortiz reached on an error as Rodriguez moved to third. Ortiz stole second the Jimenez grounded out as Rodriguez scored then Ortiz was caught trying to move to third as the Lady Owls trailed 15-1. Lockney failed to score in the bottom of the inning.

With one out for Hale Center in the top of the fourth, Gracie Quintero singled then moved to second on a single by Katy Huffhines. Kaylee Hendricks reached on an error to load the bases. Quintero scored on a wild pitch as Huffhines and Hendricks

moved up on the bases. Kailea Lopez singled to drive in Huffhines then Jaci Garcia grounded into a fielder's choice, allowing Hendricks to score, making it 15-4 in favor of Lockney. In the bottom of the inning, Nuncio led off by reaching on an error, ending up at second. Nuncio stole third then RyAnn Castillo was hit by a pitch. Castillo stole second then Petty walked to load the bases. Anhai Ascencio hit into a fielder's choice as Nuncio was forced out at home. Jasmin Cuba reached on an error that allowed Castillo to score. Barretero singled to drive in Petty and Ascencio as Cuba moved to second. Cuba moved to third on a fielder's choice then scored on a passed ball with two outs, giving the Lady Horns a 19-4 lead after four innings.

In the top of the fifth, Ortiz led off reaching on an error but was forced out at second on a fielder's choice by Garcia. Garcia was forced out on a fielder's choice by Ariel Ramon. Quintero doubled to drive in Ramon. Hale Center failed to score again, and the Lockney Lady Horns took the run-rule 19-5 victory.

For Lockney, Nuncio went 2-3 with one RBI and

three runs scored, Jimenez went 3-3 with four RBIs and one run scored, Cienfuegos went 0-3 with two RBIs, Barretero went 1-1 with two RBIs and two runs scored, Chavira went 2-3 with four RBIs and two runs scored and Hernandez went 2-2 with two RBIs and two runs scored. Petty pitched five innings allowing five runs on six hits while striking out three and walking one.

For Hale Center, Quintero went 2-3 with one RBI and one run scored. Jimenez pitched two innings allowing 15 runs on nine hits while striking out two and walking five and Garcia pitched two innings allowing four runs on one hit while striking out two and walking two.

Lockney improved to 5-5 in district and are in fourth place. Hale Center finished their season at 1-11. Lockney played Abernathy on April 17 and will play a make-up game with New Deal on April 21. Depending on the outcomes of all the district games on April 17, the New Deal and Lockney game will be for fourth place or will force a tie-breaker game between New Deal and Lockney for fourth place. Abernathy, Ralls and Floydada have all clinched playoff spots.

### LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU

#### April 23-27

Monday, April 23

Breakfast – Sausage Biscuit or Cereal, Toast, Juice, Fruit, Milk  
Lunch – Texas Basket or Hamburger, Fries, Veggie Cup, Mixed Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, Apr. 24

Breakfast – Breakfast Combo or PBJ, Juice, Fruit, Milk  
Lunch – Tex-Mex Stack or Chicken Fajitas, Beans, Salsa, Tomato Cup, Cinnamon Apples, Milk

Wednesday, Apr. 25

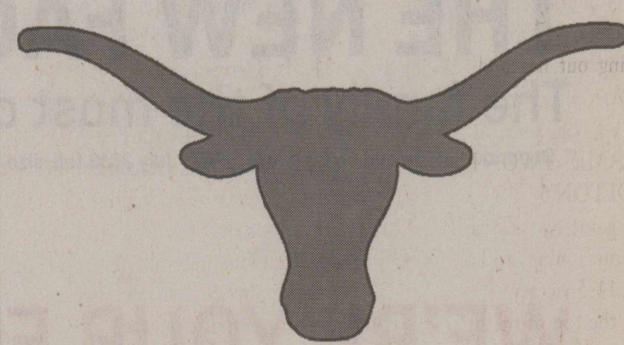
Breakfast – Chicken & Waffles or Muffin & Yogurt, Juice, Fruit, Milk  
Lunch – Chicken Alfredo or Calzone, Marinara, Salad, Tuscan Veggies, Peaches, Cookies, Milk

Thursday, Apr. 26

Breakfast – Stuffed Bagels or Pancakes, Sausage, Fruit, Juice, Milk  
Lunch – Grilled Cheese, Chips or Pot Pie, Broccoli Bites, Veggie Cup, Snowball Salad, Milk

Friday, Apr. 27

Breakfast – Dutch Waffle, Bacon or Cereal & Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk  
Lunch – Chicken Bowl or Pulled Pork, Mashed Potatoes, Roll, Gravy, Green Beans, Apples, Milk



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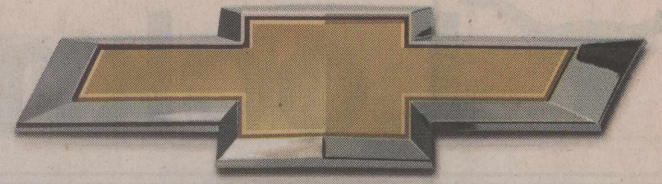


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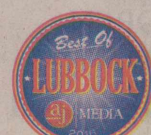
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# Reagor-Dykes sponsors Chevy Youth Baseball Clinic

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Attendees of the Chevrolet Youth Baseball Clinic held at Watson Field, Thursday evening.



Miranda Reyes, of Floydada, catches a softball during the "Outfield Segment" of the Chevy Baseball Clinic.



Kirsten Pyle, age 11, of Floydada, practices outfield catching during the Chevrolet Youth Instructional Baseball Clinic held in Floydada.



Tania Hawthorne, age 9, shows off her "batting stance" during the baseball clinic sponsored by Reagor Dykes Chevrolet.

By Deon Fincher  
The Hesperian-Beacon

"Keep low to explode!" "Ka-BOOM!" and "B.G.E.!"—phrases that were being banded about on Watson Field Thursday evening as 200-plus youngsters participated in the Chevy Youth Baseball Instructional Clinic. According to Taylor Messmer-Chevrolet Event Coordinator, in 2006 a group of dealers in Tampa, Florida put on the first community clinic. Upon the culmination of the event, the organizers pledged to "...do it everywhere." Today, Chevrolet partners with Ripkin Baseball putting on 1300 clinics all over the United States for boys and girls ages 6-14. The free clinic

was sponsored by Reagor-Dykes Chevrolet.

Miranda Reyes and Kirsten Pyle, both 11 years old, helped me understand the "foreign language of baseball." They should know—they both started playing softball at age 5, and when asked how long they've been friends, they simultaneously chimed in, "Our whole softball career!"

"Keep low to explode" helps the kids relate to the power behind their bent-knee stance that transfers to the bat. "Ka-BOOM!" is recited by the child during their swing at the ball to inspire follow-through. And, "BGE"? The girls explained that they are taught to line up the outfield catch, first with the ball, then the glove, then the eyes--BGE. The coach was giving us the "evil-eye" for talking, so I said my goodbyes to the girls and let them get back to the business at hand.

As I walked across the grass, a youngster clad in hot-pink couldn't help but catch my eye. Tania Hawthorne, age 9, of Floydada, has been playing softball for "...about two years." When asked what she had learned in the clinic, she energetically stated, "Look. Bend your knees. Always keep your bat and your elbows up." Her favorite thing about the sport is, "...when you get to pitch and run." She is already passing on her knowledge to her 4-yr old sister—"I teach her how to swing and throw."

Parents were aplenty, watching the young ones go through the batting, hitting, catching and running practice. Vance Stark, from Dougherty, brought his

son, Jacob, to the clinic. Jacob is 7 years old. "This is excellent for the kids," stated Stark. Professionalism and mentorship highlighted some of the advantages to their clinic attendance.

This is the second year that Reagor-Dykes Chevrolet has sponsored the event. Brian Bruce, General Manager at the local Chevrolet dealership, stated that Reagor-Dykes provided all the hotdogs and apple pies one could need for an evening at the baseball park. In addition, they were also donating \$1,000 to the Floydada Baseball Association. And, Chevrolets? There was an abundance of new vehicles available for test drives. Each test drive taken by parents and community supporters became a \$50 donation—\$25 pledged by Chevrolet coupled with \$25 pledged by Reagor-Dykes Chevrolet. All monies donated above and beyond \$1500 will be allotted to the Whirlwind Booster Club. Midway through the clinic, Bruce notified me, "We've made the \$1500 goal."

"Currently, we are the #1 Chevy store in Texas based on the Retail Sales Index," added Bruce. "Meaning, we sell more Chevy's, per capita, than most other stores. A big part of our success is directly related to our level of community involvement." That's the way they like it. Watch for support from Reagor-Dykes Chevrolet at the 2018 Old Settlers' Reunion, the upcoming Floydada Co-op Gin's 46th Annual Stockholders and Producers' meeting, as well as Project Graduation.

## UPCOMING From Page 1

in the Community Room.

### OLD SETTLER'S DAY QUILT SHOW

Old Settler's Day is Saturday, May 12, 2018. Something new has been added with the Quilt Show. Along with the quilt competition there will be antique Bonnet entries in the Barrow building west of the Floyd County Historical Museum. For more info, see the article in this week's issue of the Hesperian-Beacon.

### OLD SETTLER'S REUNION

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

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