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Pioneer Man, Woman and Couple Named



CHARLES HUFFMAN



HELEN BERTRAND



JERROLD AND BELLE VINSON AND FAMILY

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon
Photos by Deon Fincher

Under the Pavilion, the East Street Band played live music of popular favorites between announcements and milestones for the Old Settlers Reunion.

Announced was the Pioneer Man of the Year, Charles Huffman of Lockney, Pioneer Woman of the Year, Helen Bertrand of Floydada and Couple of the Year, Jerrold and Belle Vinson of Floydada.

2018 PIONEER MAN OF THE YEAR CHARLES HUFFMAN

Charles was born in the Prairie chapel community

in Floyd County. His first known ancestor was Ambrose Huffman, who was born in 1753 in Culpeper, Virginia. Ambrose then moved to Barren, Kentucky where two more generations of Huffmans resided. Sometime prior to 1859, the Huffman family moved here to Floyd County where Charles' grandfather, Charles Henry was born and raised. He married Julia Etta Farnsworth in 1895 and they acquired the land north of Lockney. They had 3 children, one of which was Charles' father, who was the next generation born in this county in 1904, leading to Charles' birth in 1936.

He is the youngest of three children and his father and

grandfather were farmers. After attending elementary school in Prairie Chapel, he graduated from Lockney High School in 1954. He attended Texas Tech before returning to farm and also served in the military for eight years in the National Guard at Fort Hood.

In 1956, Charles married Molly Inmon and they lived in Plainview, then moved to Lockney, finally moving back to the farm in 1965 where he still resides north of Lockney. They added to their family two girls in 1962 and 1965.

His crops included cotton, wheat, ad milo. With Molly's help, he worked diligently to have a successful and happy farm life. During his many

years of farming, he kept up with new technology starting with a tractor with no cab and ending in a tractor including air conditioning and power steering and many more bells and whistles!

In 2008, the Huffman Farm was recognized by the Texas Heritage Board for 100 years owned by the same family. Charles and his family went to Austin to receive this honored award. He served his community being on different boards including Lockney Cooperatives and Mangold Memorial Hospital and by being very involved in his church, Lockney United Methodist Church.

Charles has had many pastimes over the years. He received his pilot license and loved to fly in his Cessna, and also owned a boat and enjoyed being with his family and friends on the lake. He is a collector of 1/16 diecast tractors, mostly John Deere, his favorite! Along the way, he collected and restored many vintage tractors having fun displaying them at parades and every tractor show near and far.

He and Molly spent 52 years of marriage in this community until her passing in 2008. He then met and married Cindy Harth from Dora, New Mexico having met her through mutual friends from tractor shows. They are enjoying retired life traveling

when they can, but mostly being with long-time friends and family, eating, talking and playing games. There is no avid "42" or Domino player better than Charles Huffman!

2018 PIONEER WOMAN OF THE YEAR HELEN BERTRAND

A Lady in Red-Biography of Helen Bertrand

Born on what is now known as Andrews Air Force Base in Meadows, Maryland, to Margaret Mary and Frances White, Helen Marie left the east coast in 1953 to make a new home for her family in Texas. Twenty-five years old, standing 4'11" (before heels and hair), Helen loaded her worldly possessions and her three young children onto a train bound for Floydada, Texas. Helen's sister and brother-in-law, Ida Mae and Charles Day, had recently moved to Floydada after his discharge from the U. S. Army.

She has said that she "was looking for a rich oil man and fell totally in love with a poor farmer". A few months after moving to Floydada, Neal Bertrand saw Helen in downtown Floydada in a pair of purple high heels. He was with a friend who had heard that she was single and had three kids. Although Neal never liked the color purple, he knew immediately he wanted to

marry her, and he thought that 3 kids was a good start to their family.

Helen will tell you that although she was born in Maryland See PIONEER, Page 9

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.

FISD RETIREMENT RECEPTION

There will be a retirement reception in honor of Melva Dbrman and Tommy Rando on May 16 at 1:30 p.m. at the A.B. Duncan Library.

DUNCAN KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION

The 1st Annual Kindergarten Graduation will be held on Thursday, May 17 at 10 a.m. at AB Duncan.

FHS GRADUATION AND BACCALAUREATE

The Floydada High School Graduation ceremony will be held at Thursday, May 17 at the Whirlwind Gym starting at 7 p.m. The FHS Baccalaureate will be held on Sunday, May 13 at 6 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Floydada.

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Correction

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

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89th Old Settlers' Reunion Awards

By Deon Fincher
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The 89th Floyd County Old Settlers' Reunion took place this past Saturday in downtown Floydada. Attendees of the meeting shared laughs and fellowship under the pavilion on the courthouse lawn area. The 2018 Pioneer Couple named were Jerrold and Belle Vinson of Floydada, TX. 2018 Pioneer Man honored was Mr. Charles Huffman of Lockney, Texas. 2018 Pioneer Woman was the incomparable Mrs. Helen Bertrand of Floydada, TX.

The Old Settlers' Reunion Parade extended from First Baptist Church to the square, where it veered east and traveled down California Street. Parade viewers were graced with personal, club and commercial floats; bicycles, motorcycles, and 4-wheelers; Cowboys and Cowgirls; Classic cars in line with the newest "Vets" and luxury cars on the market; the Marching Whirlwind Band and Riding clubs; and tractors, tractors, and more tractors.

The following awards were given to entrants in the different categories: Best Pioneer Float-The

Helen Bertrand Family, Best Commercial Float-1st Place Tiffany's K-9 Design (Tiffany Scott) and 2nd Place PH Pros (Robert & Kay Wells), Best Club Float-1st Girl Scouts Troop #6210 (\$200) 2nd Place Floydada Jr. High Cheerleaders (\$100) and 3rd Place Floydada High School Cheerleaders (\$80), Best Decorated Bicycle-1st Place Jakob Cuellar (\$30) 2nd Place Jaiden Cuellar (\$20), Best Decorated ATV/Motorcycle-1st Libby Langley (\$30) 2nd-Kanon Rainwater 3rd-Kyler Gillespie (\$20), Best Dressed Jr Cowgirl-Madison Scott (\$50), Best Dressed Modern Cowgirl-McKenzie Scott (\$50), Best Unique Auto-Mitch Williams-Attorney (\$100), Best Unique Tractor-Jaron Everett of Floydada, Best Restored Auto-Todd Williams, Marching Band-Floydada Whirlwind Band, and in the category of Sheriff's Posse/Riding Clubs-the Forgotten West Riders of Lubbock.

Even with the extremely dry conditions, plenty of entrants found wildflowers for the 2018 Wildflower Show. The

Trudy Taylor Award was presented to Carolyn Cunningham for her arrangement of gaillardias in a burlwood vase.

The 2018 Quilt Show filled up the Baron building this year. People's Choice Award-Ruby Young 'Calendar'; Antique Choice-Dorothy Turner; Bonnet Choice-Sue Daniels; Pieced Quilt- 1st Place Ethelyn Vernon 'Hog Wash', 2nd Place Ruby Young 'Pen Wheel', 3rd Place Julie Finley 'Star'; Mix Technique-1st Place Stacy Reeves 'Fun Pets' baby quilt, 2nd Place Sharon Rainwater 'Cross-stitch Samples', 3rd Place Julie Finley 'State Birds', Honorable Mention-Ethelyn Vernon 'Blue Berries'; Other-1st Place Dorothy Turner 'Family', 2nd Place Atha Sue 'Cathedral Window', 3rd Place Sharon Rainwater 'Christmas Star'.

The Chili Cook-off contestants heated things up this year! 1st Prize-Mac Sherman, 2nd Prize-Luke Sherman, and 3rd Prize-Dylan Campbell.

Congratulations to all entrants of these contests. Participation is the key to keeping these activities on-going.

Great Gifts for Grads!
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Reagan Hughes & Jayton Moyer (Shower 6-16)

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Lockney School Board Recognizes State Participants

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Members of the Lockney School Board of Trustees met in regular session on Tuesday, May 8. Jim Baum, Superintendent, along with

the Board members, recognized the State-Level participants in UIL and Track and Field. Fernando Valdez was recognized for participating in the State Academic Meet in the Science contest. Jaden Rosales and Nohelia Salazar were recognized for participating in the State Track and Field meet.

In other action, the Board approved the hiring of Jill Ward as a Literacy Coach and Reading Interventionist at the elementary. The Board also approved the financial report including payment of bills, account balances and investments for \$5,366,955.26. The Board also approved budget amendments to reflect an increase in Maximum Entitlement from the US Department of Education. The Board also approved the proposed budget for the Floyd County Appraisal District.

Superintendent Baum updated the Board on various activities within the District. Current enrollment is 453 total students including 131 in High School, 107 in Junior High and 215 in Elementary.

The Board set their next meeting for June 12 at 7:00 P.M.

Prior to the regular session, the Board convened to canvas the election results from Saturday, May 6. Following an update to a voting incident during election day voting, the Board approved the Canvas of Precinct 2 with Mike Lass defeating Melinda Morales 34 votes to 22 votes. Also, Charles Keaton was approved as an unopposed candidate in Precinct 1.

FLOYDADA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT State of the District Report

By Dr. Gilbert Trevino
FISD Superintendent

The backbone of any small, rural community is its school district. The community of Floydada has so many positive attributes, one of those being the school district. For this reason, I feel it is very important to share information about our wonderful district in hopes of being transparent and highlighting the wonderful things our students and staff accomplished this year.

Academics

Preliminary reports on the early rounds of state testing indicate that we have more and more students demonstrating growth than ever before. We have higher percentages of students "Meeting standards" or demonstrating "Masters" level of performance. Our students and staff deserve credit for their commitment to improve and to strive for excellence in academics. In addition, we will once again have a 100% graduation rate this year. Many of those graduates will leave high school having earned several hours of college credit. There is no doubt that students leave our school system prepared for life beyond high school, whether that be college, a trade school, the military, or the work force. We are proud of the education our students receive in Floydada ISD!

Finance

In 1985, the state's share of public education funding was 85%. In 2019, the state's share of public education funding is expected to go down to 38%. This is all due to growth in local property values across the state. When local property values rise, state aid decreases. However, preliminary property values in Floyd County show that local values will decrease. FISD has been proactive in preparing for the decrease in values by eliminating open positions within the district, with all positions eliminated through attrition. Elimination of positions has absolutely nothing to do with the construction of a new secondary campus. Bonds are not associated with the maintenance and operation of a district (i.e. salaries, utilities, supplies, etc.) and bond funds can only be used for construction. The district currently has a fund balance of over \$4 million and expects to add about \$3 million to fund balance after the current fiscal year.

Enrollment

Our enrollment is currently 739 students. Enrollment typically fluctuates annually from 740 students up to 760. We have small senior (37) and sophomore (33) classes this year. All other grade levels have anywhere from 50-60 students.

Athletics

FISD has enjoyed lots of success this year with the athletic programs. The football, girls basketball, boys basketball, and baseball teams all made the playoffs. Cross country had one athlete qualify to run at the state meet. Tennis had several regional qualifiers. Track also had several boys and girls qualify for the regional meet with one female athlete qualifying to run in the 100m dash and 200m dash at the state track meet. Finally, our softball program made history by winning bi-district, area, and advancing to the state quarterfinals. We feel our athletic programs will achieve even more success in the future.

Construction Project

The dirt work at the new secondary construction site has been completed. In the next phase, concrete work will begin in the basement of the building and the construction of the concession stand and CTE buildings will commence. Later this summer, work on the new football stadium will begin.

Other Information

You may have noticed that the FISD Administrative Office is undergoing a makeover. The plant bed began separating from the wall and there was water damage in several areas along the south side of the building. We decided to remove the plant bed and update the exterior. The work is being done by Darin Greene with Big D's Construction.

We are very thankful to have the support of the community. Our students, staff, administration, and board of trustees appreciate the support you have given us this year and we look forward to another great year in 2018-2019.

Opinion

Job Security: Federal civil employees have a 99.5 percent chance of never being fired

By Natalia Castro

The average American looking for complete job security need not look further than the non-defense federal government's public workforce, where there is a 99.5 percent chance they will never be fired for cause according to data retrieved from the Office of Personnel Management's FedScope. It is nearly impossible for a federal workforce employee to be terminated for poor performance, while in the private sector these firings occur significantly more often.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics annual Job Openings and Labor Turnover (JOLT) survey, between 2005 and 2017 the private sector workforce maintained an average discharges and layoff rate of 17.27 percent. Conversely, FedScope reveals the public sector maintained a rate of 3.37 percent over the same period.

The public sector termination rate includes both firings for cause and general reductions in force. Perhaps even more frightening is that once these figures are separated, FedScope data reveals only 0.53 percent of federal employees are terminated for cause.

Without proper accountability or firing measures in place, our federal workforce continues to reward inefficiency and fails to meet the needs of the public.

In 2016, scandal broke when a Government Accountability Office report revealed that mismanagement within the Department of Veteran Affairs caused new veterans to wait three to eight weeks for medical care, with many patients failing to receive any care at all. This scandal worsened when the Washington Times reported it had taken over two years to propose the firings of two senior leaders within the VA responsible for the death of nearly 300 veterans waiting for care.

Luckily, this sparked legislation pioneered by Sen. Marco Rubio (R-Fla.) to increase accountability and transparency within the VA. According to data retrieved from the Office of Personnel Management FedScope, in the three months following the passage of the VA Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act, firings for cause at the VA increased by 26 percent.

Unfortunately, the VA is not the only government agency with an accountability problem. Across the federal government, terminations for cause occur at a significantly lower rate than in the private sector.

This discrepancy between the public sector and private sector termination rates is not due to the superior performance of public sector employees.

To be certain, a February 2015 Government Accountability Office report explained the removal process for federal employees take, at minimum, between 170 and 370 days. The report further, of the 2,001 employees receiving an "unacceptable" performance rating in 2009, 55 percent remained with the same agency in 2013.

Surprisingly, before the reforms passed the VA was still not even known across the federal government for having the lowest termination rate. For years the VA termination for cause rate averaged 0.74 percent, above the public sector average despite rampant abuse.

FedScope data reveals the Department of Education has the lowest termination for cause rate at 0.14 percent, last year only 10 employees were terminated for cause.

In fact, 13 out of 18 federal departments have an average termination for cause rate below the public sector average. The Department of Justice had an average termination rate of 0.22 percent, the Department of Housing and Urban Development had a 0.21 percent rate and the Department of State had a 0.22 percent rate.

The most accountable department was the Department of Homeland Security, which had a 1 percent termination rate.

But even when you factor in reductions in force and expiration of appointments, 3.37 percent is still well below the private sector's 17.27 percent discharge and layoff rate.

Luckily, U.S. Rep. Barry Loudermilk (R-Ga.) has introduced the MERIT Act of 2017, which aims at expanding the accountability reforms outlined in the VA Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act to all government agencies.

The Act expedites termination timelines, increases agency management's power to remove poor performing employees, creates a 30-day cap on appeal decision times, and requires the Merit Systems Protection Board to report to Congress when deadlines are not met.

The 501: Farm bouncer needs phone

If you plan to run a little no-cab tractor over five and a half bumpy acres of pasture, take your cellphone. You might get bounced off and need to call for help. Farming is dangerous. You should always carry your phone.



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Back when I was in junior high, they told us mining was the most dangerous profession and farming was second. My schoolmates and I were impressed. We knew no miners, but all our daddies were farmers.

Have things changed?
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Per 2016 statistics, farming has dropped to eighth and tenth places – tenth for miscellaneous agricultural workers (that would be me) and eighth place, even worse, for farmers, ranchers and agricultural managers (that would be me).

Where is rodeo clown? Not on the list. I didn't find coal miner either.

Either way, I did the right thing to take my phone – especially since the tractor dates from when farming was in second place. It's a little Ford of the ubiquitous red and gray variety, the worse for wear. The seat is one of those bouncy steel ones with the holes in it, bouncy being the key word.

I zipped around the field in high gear, careful not to let any of the bumps dislodge me. No problem.

If you don't know how big five and a half acres is, think four football fields and then some. The 60 gallons in the spray rig should have covered it all and probably would have if a broken nozzle hadn't been surreptitiously over-spraying. The tank ran dry with about an acre to go. That's when I discovered I'd lost my phone.

If you're phone bounces off your tractor, it's best not to be plowing. Even so, back before cabs, farmers used to lose their wallets one year and plow them up the next. That's what I kept telling myself as I walked and walked the little cow pasture, looking and looking for my red phone case.

If you're out in rough terrain looking for a lost phone, take along bright orange marking ribbon like surveyors use. Affix pieces of ribbon to every mesquite sprout. In case you don't find your phone you will at least be able to find all mesquites marked for destruction (meaning all of them), and you'll be able to discern where you've already been – especially if you have lots of little mesquites. We don't. I took to turning over large pieces of manure at certain points to be sure I wasn't covering the same territory. Flipped-over manure is not highly visible, but it beats nothing. Quote me.

If you have a spouse, get him or her to call your phone. You won't hear it. Keep walking.

Maybe you heard me when I finally found my little phone. It was nestled like an Easter egg in a patch of ragweed. Yay!

If you lose your phone in a pasture, do it before the ragweed gets tall. Trust me on that. When it comes to losing a cellphone, I'm good at it.

About Town...

This past weekend Floydada celebrated its 89th Old Settlers' Reunion. As I moved through the crowds and the activities, I overheard a lot of conversations: "The crowd is smaller," "How do we reinvigorate...," "...Should a not changed the date," (I heard that one a couple times) and a whole lot of other rumblings.

But...what I saw was more powerful. I saw an elderly couple holding hands. Another group of "old settlers" was engaged in conversation--I imagined something like "Arney's broke toe has got Emmie's hackles raised! She's threatened to sweep him out'a the kitchen with the dirt!"



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Flags were waving. People were laughing. Friends were helping each other. It was fellowship. The kind of fellowship that comes from sharing life...sharing stories...sharing a meal, or even just a glass of lemonade. Things that we don't seem to do much of these days.

It's time we sit down with one another and learn each other's names. Sure, you might have to sit through a few "soap-box speeches" but how bad would that really be? Someone might even sit and listen to your "soap-box speech."

Before I put the next paragraph into print, I'll be the first to say that I am guilty of NOT doing the following list of activities; but, I pledge to do better in the near future.

Small-town activities that need to be resurrected: Wild-flower Shows and Pie-baking contests. Building floats for parades. Having community pot-luck dinners. Brown-bag lunches. Live fiddle playing. Community home-made ice-cream parties. Waving to people as they cross the street. Having "championship" parades for student competitors. Rocking chairs on the sidewalks in front of the stores. Sweet Tea!

What is the secret to truly loving living in a small town? (That's a mouthful!) Are we, as citizens, perpetuating the "small town" frame of mind? Or, are we the culprits to its demise? Do you talk about small-town values, then choose to not support and attend community activities? I'm guilty. I'll admit it. One of my dearest friends put me in my place last week when I said I wasn't going to enter anything in the Flower Show because I had so much to do Saturday morning. She simply said, "So does everyone else. Go get some flowers!" I entered flowers AND put some quilts in the quilt show. It takes action, friends. It just takes action!

If you were one that didn't make it out to the buzz of activities this weekend, you missed out! Truly! You voluntarily passed on a great opportunity to connect with the patriachs and matriarchs of our community. Shame on you! If you did not participate in any way, you have no right to comment on the celebration, whether positive or negative. Start planning, right now, to attend the 90th Old Settlers' Reunion. As the saying goes, "Actions speak louder than words."

By the way, "Well Done!" to everyone that helped with the planning and implementation of the 89th Old Settlers'

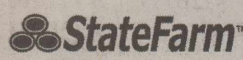
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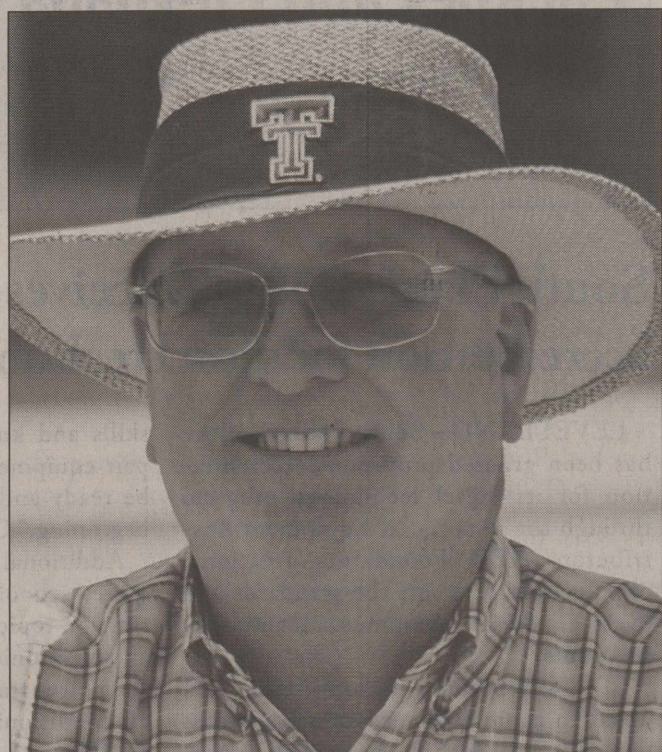
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Floyd County Judge Marty Lucke has been honored by the Texas Judicial Academy for going the extra mile to be prepared to handle his duties as county judge.

Judge Lucke was inducted on March 22 as a Fellow in the Texas Judicial Academy during the 2018 Spring Judicial Education Session.

The Texas Judicial Academy, a partnership between the Texas Tech University School of Law and the Texas Association of Counties, recognizes judges who attain significant judicial education above that required by state law as Fellows each year.

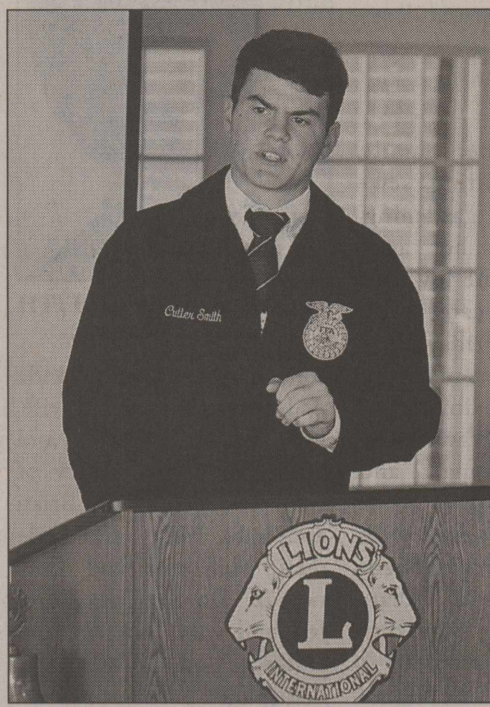
The educational program of the Texas Judicial Academy is overseen by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals and includes instruction by higher court judges,



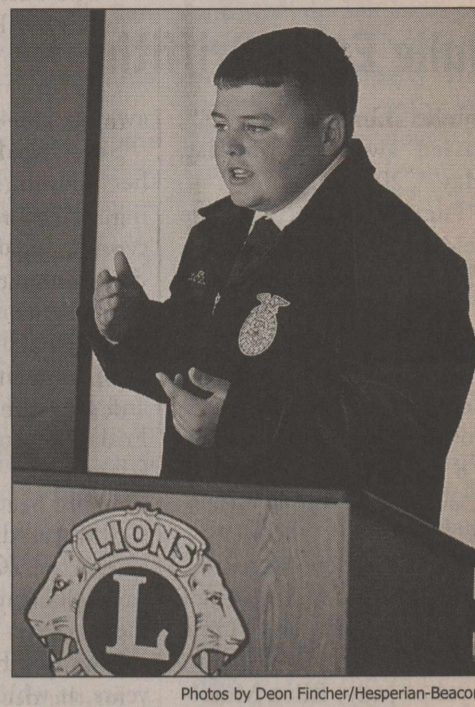
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Judge Marty Lucke

law school faculty as well as Probate College and the National Judicial College.



Cutter Smith, junior FFA Public Speaking competitor. Cutter placed 10th in the AREA competition. "Great Job!" To this young man and everyone who assisted him in this activity. The community is proud of your representation.



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Ryder Glass, Freshman FFA Public Speaking competitor. Ryder placed 5th in the AREA competition. "Great Job!" To this young man and everyone who assisted him in this activity. The community is proud of your representation.

The Floydada Rotary Club was treated to a visit from two of this year's FFA students, each competing in the FFA Area Public Speaking contest held May 11 in Amarillo. Freshman Ryder Glass practiced his animated speech on "Robots and Farming"—

evidently, a passion of his. Junior Cutter Smith's speech gave details related to Cotton and its Title I inclusion in the Farm Bill, on which congress will vote later this summer. Each of the speeches were impressive, both in content and presentation.

Adult Education



Courtesy Photo

The 2017-2018 Adult Education students have successfully completed required hours for Adult Basic Computer Skills Class. Shown are (left to right) Joe Zavala, Nora Zavala, Earnestine Pleasant, Susie Sanchez, and Juanita DeHoyos. Floydada Adult Education courses are affiliated with Region 17 and Workforce. Floydada offers High School Equivalency, Basic Computer Skills, and ESL courses. For questions please call 806-983-3134.

Floydada offers City-Wide Cleanup Week

By Deon Fincher
The Hesperian-Beacon

The City of Floydada announced its 2018 Spring Clean-up week scheduled May 21-27. The City encourages clean-up efforts and provides the free landfill dumping and free drop-

off locations within the city to assist its residents. During the week of May 21-27, free landfill dumping will be permitted to residents with a current City of Floydada Utility Bill. Landfill hours are Monday-Friday, 8 am - 5 pm, and Saturday May 26, 8 am-12pm. No tires or sh-

gles please! Two drop off locations will be available within the city limits: 401 S. 2nd Street (The old Fina site) and 100 E. Virginia Street (next to the Animal Shelter). Trailers will be provided. For additional information, contact Floydada City Hall @ 806-983-2934.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Please mark your May Calendar with these upcoming events:
May 21 - BINGO - Night 6-8 pm
May 28 - MEMORIAL DAY - Center will be CLOSED
Breakfast is served here at the Center from 5:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday only.

Be sure and call the Center by 9:30 a.m. if you would like to eat. Our phone number is 652-2745.
Remember Exercise with Dorothy - Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8:45 - 9:30 a.m.
Coffee time - Monday- Saturday - 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Thursday night pot luck. Bring a dish and a friend and enjoy games afterwards. 5 - 9 p.m.

Hope you all have a great week.

MENU

May 21 - May 25
Monday - Brisket
Tuesday - Salmon
Wednesday - Pulled pork
Thursday - Club sandwich
Friday - Fajitas

(Menus subject to change without notice)

SPC encourages students to take English courses during Spring Interim

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND - South Plains College students can complete their English courses by taking part in the Spring Interim and summer sessions.

For three short weeks, starting May 14, students can enroll in English 1301 Composition, English 1302 Composition II or English 2341 Introduction to Fiction. ENGL 1301 class will

meet from noon to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday on the SPC Reese Center campus. ENGL 1302 class will meet from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday on the Levelland campus. ENGL 2341 class will meet from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday on the SPC Reese Center campus. The thematic focus of ENGL 2341 is "Games of Life and Death in Fiction and Film."

Students have a higher success rate in face-to-face courses versus the Internet. The Spring Interim and summer sessions allow students to complete all of the core English requirements. For more information, contact Sharon Race, chairperson of the English Department and associate professor of English at (806) 716-2479 or email srace@southplainscollege.edu.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

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

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

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OBITUARIES/CHURCH

Obituaries

Julie Ellen Griffith

Julie Griffith, age 87, passed away on Monday, May 7, 2018.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Thursday, May 10, 2018 at the West College & 3rd Church of Christ in Lockney.

Interment followed at the Lockney Cemetery. Visitation was held from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at Moore Rose Funeral Home in Lockney.

Arrangements were under the personal care of Moore Rose Funeral Home of Lockney.

Julie (Judy) Ellen Morrison Griffith was born July 17, 1930 to Roy and Ozzela Morrison in Maude, Oklahoma.

She was reared in Oklahoma until her family started to Muleshoe to pull cotton. The car broke down right outside Lockney. Her dad looked around and saw all the cotton and said they might as well stay where they were. She began work at Dixie Tavern where she met the love of her life, Leonard Griffith. They married March 7, 1950 and were married for 54 years before Leonard passed

away in 2004.

She loved her family, her church, quilting, sewing, cleaning, gardening, canning from her garden, cooking (she loved to cook), playing cards with her friends on Friday night until 1 a.m. in the morning, and going to Plainview on Friday morning with her friends to Walmart and then out to lunch.

She was diagnosed with cancer in 2005 and went through multiple treatments until she was dismissed on Hospice for 2 years, at which time she no longer qualified to Hospice, amazing her doctors telling them she was a tough old bird. She fought a good fight until she just got tired and went home to be with her family in Heaven on May 7, 2018.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Roy and Ozzela Morrison; husband, Leonard Griffith; brother, Leroy, and sister-in-law, Leona; brother, JD and sister-in-law, Patsy Morrison; sister, Mary and husband, Lonnie Craddock, and daughter Donna.

She is survived by her



JULIE ELLEN GRIFFITH

sons, Ricky and wife, Linda of Lockney, Larry and wife, Glenna of Floydada and Garry and wife, Nancy of Lubbock; grandsons, Brian and wife, Misty and children, McKenzie and Tanner of Breckenridge, and Jeff and wife, Lindsey and children, Caden, Carley, and Caragen of Bushland; nieces and nephews; great-nieces and nephews; and a host of friends and loved ones.

Pallbearers were Randall Stapp, Lyndall Stapp, Mike Mathis, Caden Griffith, Tanner Griffith, and Brian Griffith. Honorary pallbearers were Jeff Griffith, Dart Carthel, and Kenny Hooten.

If you would prefer, the family requests donations to 3rd Street Church of Christ or your favorite charity.

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

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South Plains College receives provisional accreditation for diesel technology program

LEVELLAND – South Plains College has been granted provisional accreditation for its diesel technology program through the Associated Equipment Distributors (AED) Foundation, a national organization that sets the standards and oversees diesel equipment technology programs.

SPC will become the only facility in Texas to achieve the accreditation status upon approval with the nearest other programs in Oklahoma and Louisiana.

"This process has taken us about five years to gain national accreditation," said Whitney Owens, program coordinator and professor of Diesel Service Technology. "They came here for the site visit and sent their report on to the AED. They notified us of a few changes we need to make in our reporting. We should have updated our documentation and resubmit it. Hopefully, we will be fully accredited in six months."

Owens said that according to its website, the AED Foundation Accreditation is an important credential for post-secondary community colleges and technical schools that recognize and value the importance of the broader, more complex and more sophisticated skills and knowledge sets, both technical and academic, for modern diesel/equipment technicians.

"While service technicians must have

skills and knowledge to service and repair equipment, we try to teach them to be ready and know that this is only the beginning," Owens said.

Additionally, the AED Foundation requires schools or colleges to spend class time on topics including safety; electrical and electronics; hydraulics and hydrostatics; power trains; diesel engines as well as air conditioning and heating.

"The end result would be for SPC to obtain the seal of approval from a nationally accredited organization and that's what we want for our program and our students," he said.

For more information on the Diesel Technology Program at South Plains College, contact Owens at (806) 716-2293 or email wowens@southplainscollege.edu.

Obituary policy

The Hesperian-Beacon will post an obituary in the next possible issue for \$65. If a photo is wanted, add \$10.

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



CHURCH DIRECTORY

Unforeseen Blessings

Certainly the faithful love of the Lord hasn't ended; certainly God's compassion isn't through!

— Lamentations 3:22 (CEB)

At the end of a dry winter, we finally received about an inch and a half of rain. It was amazing how much fresher the garden looked. Everything was greener and stood taller. A few days later, I noticed dozens of small lettuce seedlings poking up between the brick pavers which form the garden path among our vegetable beds. Because the bricks had absorbed so much moisture from the rain, they were damp enough to encourage the growth of tiny self-sown lettuce seeds in a way

which the soil struggled to do. Because of the dry year, I hadn't expected the lettuce to survive. But here they were, creating an amazing example of God's surprising abundance.

God's gifts don't always come neatly packaged — growing in tidy rows or in the "right" places. From my experience of God's gifts in unforeseen and totally unexpected places, I have seen that God can always surprise and delight us.

— Meg Mangan (New South Wales, Australia)

Prayer for today: Loving Father, thank you for surprising and delighting us with your bounty, just when we need it most. Amen.

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Darwin Robinson, Pastor
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Morning Worship - 10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m.
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Armando Morales, Pastor
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Bible Study - 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening - 7 p.m.
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Service Every Sunday
Morning Worship - 9 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
*****</p> <p>Church of Christ
West College & Third
Lockney
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Afternoon Worship - 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m.
*****</p> <p>City Park Church of Christ
Matthew Benfield, Minister
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Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study - 7 p.m.
*****</p> <p>First Baptist Church
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Ashley Adams, Minister of Music
Ludustria Prisk, Director of Children's Ministry
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.
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Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.
*****</p> <p>First United Methodist Church
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Rev. Ken Peterson, Pastor
Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m.
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Youth (Sunday) - 6:30 p.m.
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Rev. Ricky Carsensen, Pastor
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service - 6 p.m.
Wed. Jr. High - 5:30 p.m.
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*****</p> <p>Grant Chapel Church of God In Christ
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Sunday School - 10 a.m.
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Evening Worship - 7:30 p.m.
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Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.
*****</p> <p>Main Street Church of Christ
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James Blair, Minister
Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.
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Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.
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Wed. Service - 7 p.m.
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Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service - 11 a.m.
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*****</p> <p>Templo Bethel Spanish Assembly of God
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Worship - 5 p.m.
Wed Service - 7 p.m.
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Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.</p> |
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AGRICULTURE

"Farmin'? It's hard work!"

By Deon Fincher
The Hesperian-Beacon

In the tradition of celebrating our county's Pioneers, I decided to find one of them to visit with this week. At 96 years old, C.L. "Cobb" Gilley had knowledge of farming that I had never experienced; a few things I had never even heard of. With Miss Wanda Williams' assistance, we had a fascinating conversation about farming in the 1940s, 1950s, 1960s and the 1970s. We laughed, we reminisced, we shared our "country" experience. Come along with me through our talk.

"I want to talk with you about farming, this afternoon," I started.
"Farmin'? It's hard work!" He chuckled.

"When did you start farming, Mr. Gilley?"

"Well, right after the war... 'bout 1946, I guess." He looked to Miss Wanda.

She patted his hand and added, "Well, he grew up on the family farm, and that farm has been in the family more than 100 years."

"How big was your farm?"
He thought a little bit, "We had 520 acres at the home-place."

"What was your day like back then? Did you get up at daybreak and head out to the fields?"

"Well," he paused, "I imagine, about 7 o'clock."

"And what was your first task?"

"Gosh! I did the plowin'," he shook his head slowly, "I did all the farmin' by myself. We didn't have a well when I started."

"You were a dryland farmer?"
"Yeah... everyone was." His smile broke across his face. "I put in an irrigation well around 1950."

"You started irrigating, then?"

"We set the tubes... out of the big ditch."

"Did you do this on your own?"
"Well, I generally had a hand. He helped in setting the tubes."

"Tell me about the pickup that you drove." I asked. "What model did you have?"

"It was current to the times... '40s, '50s, '60s."

"Were you a Chevy or a Ford man?"
Without hesitation, "A Chevrolet man!"

Miss Wanda smiled and added, "And he always loved his red Cadillacs. He likes sporty little cars."

"But they don't work well on the turn-rows," I said.

"No," he shook his head and chuckled. "Can't do much farmin' with 'em."

"What was it about Chevrolets that you liked?" I was curious to know.

"Well... you could get it fixed."

"At that time," Miss Wanda explained, "there was a Chevrolet dealer in both Lockney and in Floydada."

"Are you a pretty good mechanic?"

"Just fair," he paused. "I probably could fix the tractor."

"What did you like about farming, Mr. Gilley?" I asked.

"Well, you had your free time... you were your own boss." He looked me in the eye. "You didn't make a lot of money, I know that!"

"What about the challenges? What has your biggest struggle?"
He didn't have to think about that answer. "The weather. We would get quite a bit of hail." His memories became clear, "We got bad hail every once in a while-- a time or two I got hailed out."

"Mother Nature wasn't always cooperative." Miss Wanda smiled.

"Looking back to the 1950s, what was the main improvement to your

equipment that made farming easier?"

"The equipment was larger. You could do more, quicker."

For a few minutes, Cobb, Wanda and I visited about some of the different farm equipment that they had used in the early years.

"There was a lot that came along," offered Miss Wanda. "When you finally got a tractor that had a cab, it made it so much more comfortable and so much cleaner. Oh! That was the thing!"

"Tell me about those old tractors?"

Miss Wanda smiled. "Before, they had an old 'comforter' thing, that was made out of canvas. It would wrap around the motor and come back around you, you know. And it would hold the heat in from the engine... You used it when you had to go out in the cold. Oh! That was really 'up-town!'"

Cobb piped in, "Then, they got cabs... with nothin'."

Wanda added, "The cabs had no heater or anything in them. But those cabs were the best thing!"

"Mr. Gilley, tell me how long it took you to strip your cotton."

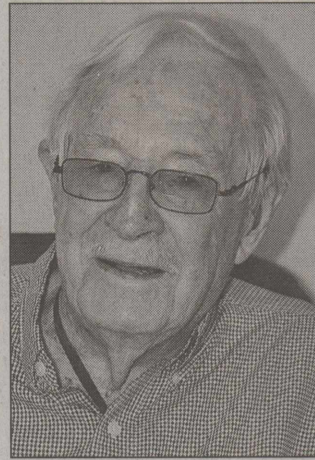
"It'd be accordin' to how many acres... but it would take roughly a week. We'd work all day to strip a couple of bales."

"If you got 2 bales an acre, that was a big day!" added Miss Wanda.

"Work all day strippin' it, then you'd haul your cotton to the gin at night," stated Mr. Gilley.

Miss Wanda explained, "You'd leave it there overnight and just hope that they'd get to your trailer, because you needed to pick it up in the morning to start stripping again. Most everyone just had one trailer."

We talked for a few minutes about today's stripping equipment, which led to Miss Wanda's commenting, "Today,



Deon Fincher/Hesperian-Beacon
C.L. "Cobb" Gilley, Pioneer Farmer

you can go out all by yourself and harvest... it [the equipment capabilities] saves three or four hands having to be on the stripper, the module, the bole buggy..."

"Wait," I broke in. "What is a bole buggy?"

"Well, you pull the bole buggy out to the stripper, so the stripper doesn't have to come out of the field to the module builder. It can just keep going," explained Miss Wanda. "It will hold a dump or two from the stripper."

A Bole Buggy! Who knew! "Let's switch topics for a few minutes," I directed. "Tell me about your early schooling."

"I went to school at Liberty and Cedar Hill. Our house was about three miles away. We walked or rode horses." Mr. Gilley chuckled, "I don't remember, not once, no matter what kind of weather... they wouldn't pick you up, you know. You got home however you could."

I asked, "You said 'horses.' Did you ride a horse to school?"

"Yeah," he answered, laughing.

"We had a barn to keep the horses in at the school. I rode a horse for years

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Producers' Cooperative Elevator selected Floydada High School Senior Rachel Graham as the recipient of their second Agriculture Scholarship of \$500. "As we've grown, it has been our goal to better connect with the community. This scholarship does that. In addition, it furthers the cause of Agriculture. We want to support those young men and women from Floydada who choose to pursue agriculture studies," stated General Manager Seth Stephens. The PCE Board of Directors include: John Jones-Pres., Marty Covington-V.P., Kerry Pratt-Sec., Director Jerry Miller and Director Jerry Chappell.



to school. You see, they [parents] never did take us or come get us." He paused, "Then, of course, at about tenth grade, you'd go to Floydada. They didn't teach that stuff at the country school... only up to about ninth grade. Then you went to Floydada to finish."

I asked when he graduated.

"I don't think I finished." His thoughts cleared, "I went to California to work. Santa Monica. Then, into the Navy... the Navy Air Corps."

"What was your specialty in the Navy?" I asked.

"I was a navigator... In the Navy. I was there 3 years and just a few days."

He has a whole box of medals, and we talked a little about his Air Medal and the Gold Star. At one point in the conversation, his eyes lit up, "I got to go on that Honor Trip out of Lubbock... to Washington, D.C."

Miss Wanda added, "We went on the second one. There were lots of dif-

ferent fellas there, and one other from Floydada."

The topic centered on the activities of the trip.

"It was comical. When we first got there, they were wanting them all to march in line." She stopped to laugh, "But, all these men looked like a bunch of kindergarten students. They couldn't get them to line up straight. By the end of the trip, they were marching together real nice. I was real proud."

I asked Mr. Gilley his thoughts of the special trip.

"It was the trip of a lifetime!"

The trip of a lifetime... and, what a life his was. The day after this interview, C.L. Gilley, with Miss Wanda on his arm, sat in the crowd at the 89th Floyd County Old Settlers' Reunion. What a blessing it was to see him and Wanda out and about. Understandably, "Cobb" was named the eldest in attendance... again.

Real-World Skills Improve Equipment

By Deon Fincher
The Hesperian-Beacon

Mr. Rambo's Building Trades and Mrs. Ramirez's Ag Mechanics classes replaced the flooring of a trailer this week... the fourth trailer they have refurbished in the last month.

"These kids are fast! They will have the floor completely off this afternoon and will have the new one on and laid tomorrow morning." Mr. Rambo was making sure that I would get to the site for photos before all the work was done.

Rambo was correct. The trailer was stripped of the floor boards in no time-- screws removed and rough areas and rust grinded down, angle iron measured and cut for installation.

"Projects like this let the kids use what they've learned in a real-life situation," stated Rambo. "Some wouldn't have the opportunity to use tools like this. It's good for them."

The next morning, I arrived to find a new class ready to install the floor. Boys and girls, alike, located tools, heaved 2 X 12s to the surface, and began different tasks.

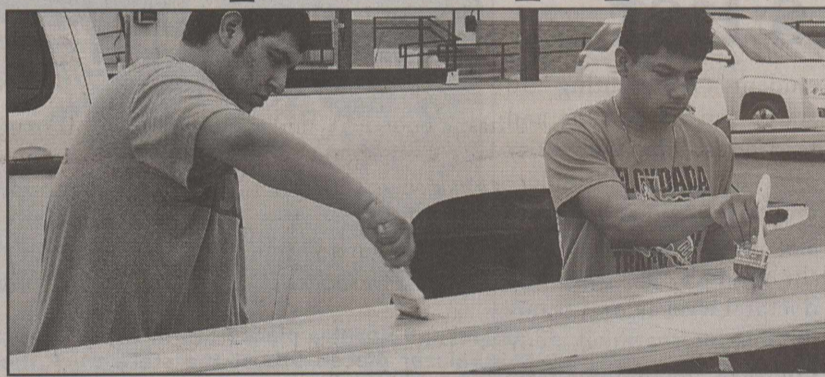
"There is a motto that we used in FFA that has stuck with me all these years-- 'Learning to do. Doing to learn. Learning to live. Living to serve.'" Pointing to the students as they measure, cut, coat and work together, he added, "We are learning to do, and doing to learn, right here."

Mr. Rambo explained how he and Mrs. Munoz combine the Building Trades and Ag Mechanics groups together for projects of this type. "The school is so fortunate to have Mrs. Munoz... she relates to the kids, and in turn, they respect her."

I concurred. As I had been visiting with Munoz the day before about welding, she said that the girls are her better welders. "I tell them, 'You can line your eyes without a guide... you blend your make-up like a master. You can do this!' And they can." Pointing out some welds, she added that girls show patience and precision in their work.

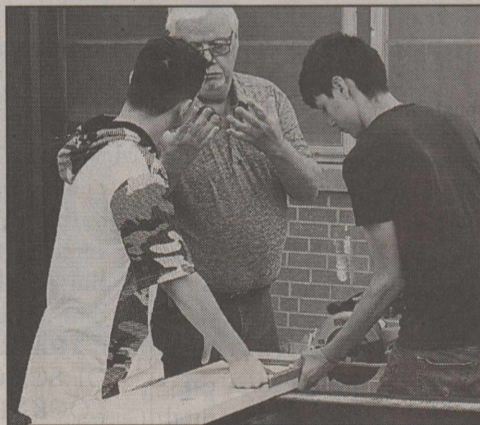
"This is great for the kids, especially here in the last weeks," stated Mrs. Ramirez. "They are so 'done' with school, but activities like this engage them and keep them busy."

When asked how they get the trailers on which to work, Rambo stated, "Most of the time it's just word of mouth. One of the student's dad, or uncle have a trailer that could use some repair." The owner of the trailer pays for the materials, the teacher provides the instruction, and the students provide the labor. Win. Win. Win.



Photos by Deon Fincher/Hesperian-Beacon
Building Trade students George Rosa and Andrew Vega apply wood sealer to the underside of the trailer floor. Topside sealer was added later in the project.

Seth Rogers and Avery Silva receive instructions from Mr. Rambo, Building Trades instructor on the importance of using a framing square for straight cuts, and safely using a circular saw.



Students in the Building Trades class at FHS utilize tools to rip off the floor of the trailer in preparation for installation of a new floor. (L to R) Johnny Cabellro, Rosendo Reyna and Javier Olvera.



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TPWD Exec Offers State of Game

By Colleen Schreiber
Livestock Weekly

SAN ANGELO-Texas Parks and Wildlife executive director, Carter Smith recently offered an update on the state of wildlife, an overview of the 2017-18 hunting season, and touched on some of the regulations coming down the pike for landowners.

"We have more deer, dove, and ducks than any state, and

we have more deer, dove and duck hunters than any other state," said Smith. "That's a good thing, and we need to absolutely keep it that way." He reminded Texas just how blessed they are to live in the state of Texas.

Texas has about a million resident hunters, and three quarters of a million of them, he said, are deer hunters. Another 110,000 to 120,000 non-resident hunters also. See TPWD Page 9

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Hayes' winning culinary team: Back row (L to R)- Chef Cody Hayes, Mike Via-Industry Mentor, Cameron Davis, and Evan Scott. Front Row (L to R)-Preslie Mann, Rachel Bristow, Madison Alexander and Chef Avery Manross.

Lockney Graduate Cooks up Success

By Deon Fincher
The Hesperian-Beacon

Lockney High School graduate, Cody Hayes, is successfully guiding culinary students to record-setting levels. Chef Hayes has taken "his kids" to Nationals three times—in 2014, 2017 and 2018.

In February, Chef Hays'

Rockwall ISD Culinary Arts Team took 1st place at the Regional competition, earning the first-ever perfect score by any team in Texas Pro-Start history. That win gave them the opportunity to defend their 2017 3rd Place National title.

The culinary arts team finished 2nd in the National ProStart Competition, the

highest any Texas team had ever placed. The student's received multiple life-changing scholarships, solidifying the team's college and career goals.

Cody is married to Amy Anderson Hayes, also a Lockney High School graduate. Cleatus and Betty Hayes, of Lockney, are the proud parents of the winning chef.

Anna Hill of Lockney named to Harding University dean's list

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

SEARCY, AR (05/14/2018) -- Anna Hill, senior elementary education major from Lockney, is among more than 1,200 Harding University students included on the dean's list for grades achieved during the spring 2018 semester.

The dean's list is published each semester by Dr. Marty Spears, University provost,

honoring those who have achieved high scholarship. To be eligible, a student must be carrying 12 or more hours with a 3.65 or higher grade-point average and no incompletes.

Harding University is a private Christian university located in Searcy, Arkansas. Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, it is the largest private university in the state. Harding's student body is made up of

students representing 50 states and 54 nations and territories. The University offers more than 100 undergraduate majors, graduate and professional degrees at the master's, specialist and doctoral level as well as numerous international study offerings including locations in Australia, Chile, England, France, Greece, Italy and Zambia.

For more information, visit harding.edu.

SPC to offer Certified Nurse Aide class

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND - South Plains College will offer a Certified Nurse Aide course from May 29 through June 27 in Room 120 in the Technical Arts Building. Enrollment is limited to 10 students. The instructor will be Kim Hill, R.N.

For the first week, the class will meet from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. May 29 (Tuesday) through May 31 (Friday). For the second, third and fourth week, the class will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. For the fifth week, the class will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on June 27 (Wednesday).

Clinical Instruction is set for 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursdays during the second, third and fourth weeks. For the fifth week,

clinicals will be held from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Clinicals will be performed at the Levelland Nursing Home.

The tuition cost is \$500. The textbook, "Skills and Techniques for the New Nursing Assistant, 8th Edition by Barbara Gillogly, costs \$57. Students are responsible for additional fees including the State Exam Fee \$104.50; and CPR \$15.

The instruction in this course provides detailed education, training and work-based experience as well as direct patient/client care, generally at a clinical site. Specific detailed learning objectives are developed for each course by the faculty. On-site clinical instruction, supervision, evaluation and placement is the responsibility of the college faculty.

Clinical experiences are

unpaid external learning experiences. Students will learn the necessary skills to work in long-term care, home health or hospital environments.

Upon completion of the 60 hours of classroom and 40 hours of clinicals, each student will be required to take the State of Texas Certified Nurse Aide Competency Examination.

IMPORTANT: Students must provide proof of immunization MMR since 1981, Tetanus no older than 10 years, Hepatitis B Series, and a current negative TB test no older than 12 months. Students must have a photo identification and social security card prior to enrollment. A criminal background check will be performed for all students.

For more information, call (806) 716-2341.

State Rosales Triple Jump



Courtesy Photo

Jayden Rosales placed 5th in triple jump at the state track meet. (Not shown) Nohelia Salazar placed 9th at the state track meet in the long jump. Congratulations to our athletes and their coaches!!!!

Upcoming Events for Lockney ISD

May 21, 22, 23, and 24th: Half-Days. School will be dismissed at 12:30 pm. Lunch will be served. Busses will run at that time on each day.
May 24th: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL IN LOCKNEY

High School

May 17: Spring Band Concert 7:00 pm
May 18: Awards Assembly Seniors- 11 am Underclassmen-2 pm
May 21: UIL Banquet @ Methodist Church 6:00 pm
May 25: Lockney High School Graduation Gym 7:00 pm

Jr. High School

May 24: Lockney Jr. High Graduation Gym 10:00 am

Elementary School

May 18: WATER DAY!!
May 23: 5th Grade Awards Assembly Cafeteria 9:00 am

Lockney ISD STAAR Testing This Week:

Lockney ISD will be administering the following STAAR Assessments next week:

May 16—STAAR: grades 5 and 8 science assessments administered
May 17—STAAR: grade 8 social studies assessments administered

Thank you for supporting your child by offering words of encouragement as they head out the door each morning!

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU

May 21-25

Monday, May 21
Breakfast - Pancakes, Sausage or Cereal, Toast, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Corn Dog or Roasted Chicken, Tots, Roll, Broccoli Bites, Baked Beans, Fruit, Milk
Tuesday, May 22
Breakfast - Breakfast Burrito & Hash Brown or PBJ, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Nachos Grande, Beans, Salsa, Tomato Cup, Cucumbers, Peaches, Sherbet, Milk
Wednesday, May 23
Breakfast - Biscuit, Eggs & Bacon or Muffin, Yogurt, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Chicken Sandwich or Burrito, Fries, Corn, Veggie Cup, Mandarins, Milk
Thursday, May 24
Breakfast - Sausage Kolache, Yogurt or PBJ, Fruit, Juice, Milk
Lunch - Pizza Choice or Ham & Cheese, Carrots, Broccoli Salad, Fruit, Brownie, Milk
Friday, May 25
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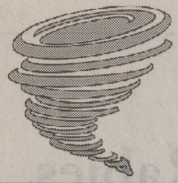
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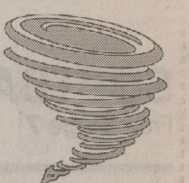
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Floydada Whirlwinds



Lady Winds fall to Post in Regional Quarters

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

WOLFFORTH - Floydada did not have an answer for the pitching of the Ralls Lady Rabbits as Ralls took the Re-

gional Quarterfinals softball series two games to none. Ralls took Game One Friday, 13-3 and Game Two, 12-1 Saturday. GAME ONE: RALLS 13, FLOYDADA 3

For the first two innings of

the Friday, May 11 game, neither team was able to push any runs across.

In the top of the third, Floydada went down in order. Ralls took a 4-0 lead in the bottom

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FHS Brown represents Floydada well at State Track

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Congratulations to Kiara Brown, a junior at Floydada High School, as she represented Floydada well at the

UIL State Track and Field Championships in Austin last Friday and Saturday.

Kiara ran a PR (Personal Record) in the 200 Meter Dash. She placed 5th with

a time of 25.83 She also ran a PR in the 100 Meter Dash and placed 5th in this event with a time of 12.46.

We are so proud of you Kiara!

FHS Baccalaureate



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

The Floydada High School class of 2018 exit the pews at the Baccalaureate service held at the First United Methodist Church on Sunday, May 13.

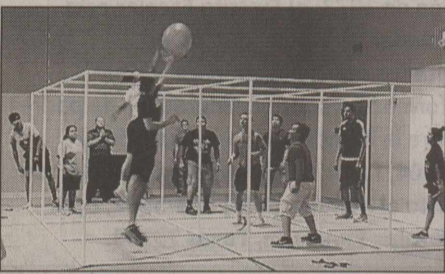
FHS BPA Contest Dallas

Courtesy Photo

Six FHS students competed at the Business Professionals of America Nationals in Dallas this past weekend. The Website Team won 10th in the Nation. Congratulations!!



FBC senior dinner



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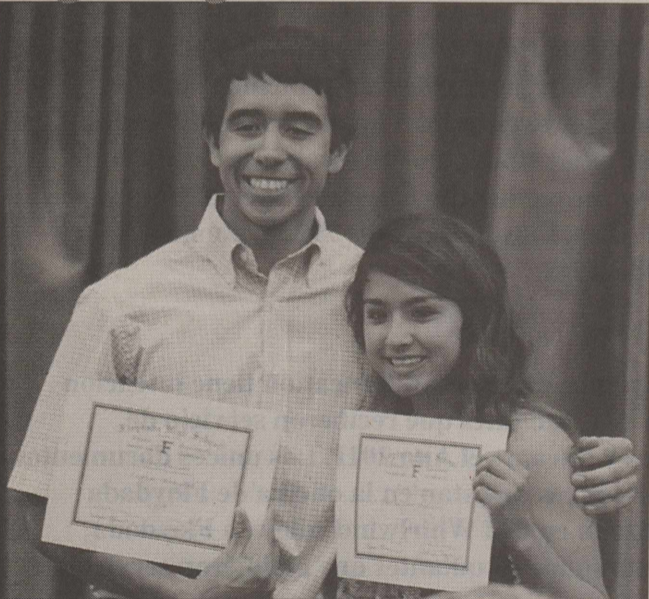
The FHS Seniors were treated to fun and games as well as a steak dinner compliments of the First Baptist Church.



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

FHS seniors attending the 2018 Baccalaureate service on Sunday evening received a message from Pastor Gilbert Flores of Templo Nueva Vida, along with prayers and scripture readings from other local pastors. Pictured (left to right): Nathan Adams (youth minister, First Baptist Church), Gilbert Flores (pastor, Templo Nueva Vida), and Father Dhass (St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church). Not Pictured is Ken Peterson, pastor of First United Methodist Church, and Rachel Castillo, pastor of Templo Emanuel. Music was provided by FUMC pianist Sue Reeves and the Ladies Choir.

Fighting Whirlwinds



Deon Fincher/Hesperian-Beacon

Arnoldo Martinez and Dora Cervera were chosen by the FHS coaches as the 2018 Fighting Whirlwinds.

Duncan AR



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First Graders on busses ready to get their field-trip started. Early last Friday, the top Accelerated Readers in 1st through 4th grades boarded busses headed to Joyland Amusement Park. A.R. is a popular and successful reading management program used in approximately 60,000 schools. The program provides teachers with an effective way to monitor student performance by providing feedback from quizzes based on books the students read. Teachers Mrs. Cornelius, Mrs. Carlson, Mrs. Hinson were the teachers. Mrs. Nixon, Mrs. Lopez, and Mrs. Hinsley also went along.

AR Six Flags Trip



Courtesy Photo

5th and 6th Grade AR Trip to Six Flags! A.B. Duncan is so proud of these outstanding readers!

Duncan perfect attendance



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First through Sixth graders on busses ready to get their field-trip started. Early last Tuesday, those students with perfect attendance headed to Lubbock for a day of Putt-Putt Golf, Laser Tag and Bowling. Teachers that attended: Coach Wheeler, Regina Orr (1st and 2nd), Nelda Ochoa (3rd and 4th), Crystal Medellin (PK-K Mrs. Jackson), Diana Reyes (5th and 6th), Coach Nixon.

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SOFTBALL

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of the fourth. MaKendall Smith singled to lead off for the Lady Rabbits then moved to second on an error. Melanie Castro reached on an error as Smith moved to third. Brisa Moreno reached on a fielder's choice that scored Smith then an error allowed Moreno to move to second and Castro to score. Lexi Palmer singled to drive in Moreno as Palmer moved to second on the throw home. Mia Salas came in to run for Palmer. Salas moved to third on wild pitch then Franki Torres grounded into a fielder's choice that drove in Salas, giving the Lady Rabbits a 4-0 lead after three innings.

For Floydada in the top of the fourth, Stefanni Chavarria led off with a double then Kylie Ricketts hit a home run over the left field fence to drive in Chavarria. Floydada trailed 4-2 going to the bottom of the fourth. For Ralls, Kenley Yocom led off with a double then with one out, Smith singled as Yocom scored as Smith moved to second on the throw home. Castro lined a single to center as Smith scored. Moreno reached on a fielder's choice as Castro was forced out at second. With two outs, Palmer was hit by a pitch and Salas came in to run. F Torres reached on an error that allowed Moreno to score and Salas to move to third. Maribelle Casarez reached on an error that allowed Salas and F Torres to score, giving Ralls a 9-2 lead after four innings.

In the top of the fifth, with one out, Alyssa Obergon walked for the Lady Winds then stole second. Obergon moved to third on a fielder's choice by Hannah Morales. Chavarria singled to drive in Obergon but Ralls still led, 9-3. In the bottom of the fifth, Yocom led off with a single and moved to second on an error. M Smith reached on an error then Castro tripled to drive in Yocom and Smith. Castro scored on an error then with two outs, Palmer reached on an error, moved to second on a passed ball and moved to third on a wild pitch. F Torres reached on an error that allowed Palmer to score the winning run, giving the Lady Rabbits the Game One victory 13-3.

For Floydada, Chavarria went 2-3 with one RBI and one run scored and Ricketts went 1-3 with two RBIs and one run scored. Morales went four and two-thirds innings allowing 13 runs on nine hits while striking out four and walking one.

For Ralls, Castro went 2-4 with three RBIs and two runs scored, Moreno went 1-4 with two RBIs and two Runs scored, Yocom went 2-2 with two runs scored and Smith went 2-3 with one RBI and three runs scored. Yocom pitched five innings allowing three runs on five hits while striking out 12 and walking two.

GAME TWO: RALLS 12, FLOYDADA 1

Saturday, May 12 the teams met to conclude the series.

Neither team managed to score in the first inning.

In the top of the second, F Torres led off with a double then with two outs, Yocom doubled to drive in F Torres giving the Lady Rabbits a 1-0 lead. Floydada failed to score in the bottom of the second.

Ralls exploded for seven runs in the top of the third. Smith led off with a single then Castro walked. Moreno singled to drive in Smith. Palmer doubled to drive in Castro then Moreno and Palmer scored on an error. With one out, Casarez singled then Isabel Lara hit a home run to drive in Casarez. Yocom singled then moved up on a passed ball. Breighdyn Jones singled and moved to second on the throw to third. Smith laid down a bunt single to load the bases. Castro hit a sacrifice fly to left that drove in Yocom, giving Ralls an 8-0 lead. Floydada went down in order in the bottom of the third.

In the top of the fourth, Palmer led off by drawing a walk and Ramie Torres came in as a courtesy runner. F Torres singled as R Torres moved to second then to third on an error. With one out, Lara hit into a fielder's choice, driving R Torres in and giving the Lady Rabbits a 9-0 lead. In the bottom of the inning, Morales reached on dropped third strike then stole second. Ricketts reached on an error. Morales was called out on an appeal to third as Ricketts moved to second on an error. Angela Vega singled to drive in Ricketts but after four innings, Ralls led 9-1.

In the top of the fifth, Jones singled then stole second. A fielder's choice moved Jones to third then Castro walked and stole second. Moreno doubled to drive in Jones and Castro. Moreno stole third then scored on an error, giving Ralls a 12-1 lead. Floydada went down in order in the bottom of the fifth and the Ralls Lady Rabbits claimed the Regional Quarterfinals Championship.

For Floydada, Ricketts went 0-2 and scored a run and Vega went 1-2 with an RBI. Morales pitched three innings allowing eight runs on 11 hits while striking out one and walking one and Allison Orr pitched two innings allowing four runs on three hits while striking out one and walking two.

For Ralls, Moreno went 3-4 with three RBIS and two runs scored, Lara went 1-3 with three RBIs and one run scored and Castro went 0-1 and scored two runs. Yocom pitched five innings allowing one run on one hit while striking out eight and walking one.

Ralls moves on to play Albany in the Regional Semi-finals. Floydada finishes the year at 15-11.

Pet Talk:

Pet owners encouraged to vaccinate against Rabies

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

OKLAHOMA CITY — With the onset of spring, it is common to see an increase in cases of animal rabies across the state. Thus far in 2018, there has been a total of nine rabid animals in the state — eight skunks and one cow. The Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH) encourages those with pets and livestock to make sure their animals are properly vaccinated.

"Vaccinating your animals, particularly dogs, cats, horses and valuable cattle, against rabies can prevent both disease and heartbreak for you and your family," said State Epidemiologist Dr. Kristy Bradley. "When pets are unvaccinated, their vaccinations are out-of-date or pets are not vaccinated by a licensed veterinarian, their owners have some very tough decisions to make if their pets are exposed to a rabid animal."

In order to prevent the continued spread of rabies, public health law requires unvaccinated animals exposed to a rabid animal to be either quarantined at a veterinarian's clinic for four months (dogs and cats) or euthanized at the owner's expense. Unvaccinated horses or livestock animals exposed to a rabid animal are generally quarantined on the owner's premises for six months with periodic evaluation by a licensed veterinarian.

Although rabies symptoms can vary, it is important to be suspicious of animals exhibiting the following behaviors: Lack of fear of people, listless, confused, or less active than normally expected, having difficulty moving or appearing paralyzed and unusual or inappropriate aggression without being provoked.

"Although most rabies cases in Oklahoma occur in skunks, most human exposures to rabies result from contact with unvaccinated pets or livestock which become rabid following an encounter with a rabid wild animal," Bradley said. "Having your pets currently vaccinated has the added benefit of protecting your family from exposure to rabies and avoiding any need for the costly and uncomfortable process of receiving post-exposure shots."

Oklahoma rules and regulations require an

owner to present their dogs and cats to a veterinarian for rabies vaccination by the time the animal is 4 months of age, but the vaccines can be safely given as early as 3 months of age. The time to revaccinate depends upon the documentation of previous vaccines, age of the animal, type of vaccine administered and city licensing codes.

All horses and livestock having frequent contact with humans, such as those in petting zoos, fairs and other public exhibits, are recommended to be vac-

inated against rabies. Owners should consider vaccinating other livestock that are particularly valuable. It is recommended to consult with a veterinarian about vaccination recommendations for all pets and livestock.

Rabies is a viral disease affecting the central nervous system and is usually fatal once symptoms of the disease have started.

Rabies is found in the brain, spinal cord and saliva of infected animals and is transmitted through a bite or through contact with open skin wounds or

mucous membranes of the eyes, nose or mouth.

If anyone suspects an animal has been exposed to rabies, they should immediately contact a veterinarian or the local county health department for guidance. Individuals can also consult with the OSDH Acute Disease Service epidemiologist-on-call 24 hours a day at (405) 271-4060 for evaluation of rabies risk and guidance on submitting an animal for rabies testing.

For more information about rabies, visit the OSDH web site at <http://www.ok.gov/health/>.

THANKS FOR READING!

504 Child find Notice

Floydada Independent School District
504 Services

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Pursuant to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the District has a duty to identify, refer, evaluate and if eligible, provide a free, appropriate public education to disabled student. For additional information about the rights of parents of eligible children, or for answers to any questions you might have about identification, evaluation and placement into Section 504 Programs, Please contact the District's Director of Special Programs, Wendy Valdivia at (806) 983-5382 or by mail at 226 West California, Floydada, Texas 79235.

Aviso Sobre La Identificación de Estudiantes Incapacitados Bajo la Sección 504

Bajo la Sección 504 del Decreto de Rehabilitación de 1973, el Distrito Escolar esta obligado a identificar, referir, evaluar, y proporcionar servicios educativos apropiados y gratuitos a estudiantes incapacitados que califican para recibir servicios bajo esta ley. Si usted desea mas información sobre los derechos de padres de niños incapacitados, o si tiene preguntas sobre la identificación evaluación, y colocación de niños en el programa de Sección 504, favor de ponerse en contacto con el Coordinador de Wendy Valdivia 504 del Distrito al numero (806) 983-5382, opor correo a la siguiente dirección: 226 West California, Floydada, Texas 79235.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Floydada ISD Special Education Department intends to destroy records of students who received special education services prior to 2011. These records include only those located at the Floydada Special Education office at 622 Whirlwind Alley, Floydada, Texas. Records herein described include students receiving special education services in the Floydada school district. Legal parent/guardian or adult students with disabilities may request copies of these records by contacting the Floydada Special Education office at 622 Whirlwind Alley, Floydada, Texas 79235, phone number 806-983-5382 by June 08, 2018.

AVISO

Aviso esta dada que Floydada ISD Special Education tiene intencion de destruir documentos de estufiantes que recibieron servicio de Educación Especial antes y durante el Ano 2011. Los unicos documentos que van estar destruidos son los que stan en la oficina de Floydada Special Education localizada en 622 Whirlwind Alley en Floydada, Texas. Documentos enesto sonde estufiantes que recibieron servicio de distrito en sugida: Floydada ISD. Padres/guardian legal o estufiantes adultos con incapacidades fisica/mentales pueden pedir copias de sus documentos. Pueden llamar o escribir a la oficina de Floydada Special Education, 622 Whirlwind Alley, Floydada, Texas 79235. Numero de telefona es 806-983-5382 antes de June 08, 2018.

FLOYDADA ISD SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM

Floydada ISD is participating in the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided to all children 1-18 years of age. Floydada ISD does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, gender, or disability in the course of the meal services.

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Special Education Child Find

With the assistance of the Texas Education Agency and the education service center 17, Floydada ISD must ensure that a free appropriate public education (FAPE) is provided to all individuals with disabilities, ages 3-21, who qualify for special education services. With the assistance of the Texas Education Agency, ESC 17, and the Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) program, Floydada ISD must ensure that early intervention services are made available for those children, ages 0-3, with an identified need.

To carry out these responsibilities, Floydada ISD must implement: a comprehensive system of "Child Find" in which the applicant agency personal actively search for all individuals with disabilities or developmental delay who are 0-21 years of age. Floydada ISD is responsible for identifying, locating and evaluating all individuals 0-21 years of age, regardless of nature or severity of disability. Once Floydada ISD determines eligibility, all individuals 0-21 years of age, regardless of the severity of the disability or developmental delay, are served by Floydada ISD [3-21 years of age] in accordance with Texas Education Code §25.001 or an ECI program [0-3 years of age] (34 CFR § 5300.128, 300.220, 300.300 Note3; 34 CFR §9303.16, 303.321; and 19 TAC §89.1035).

For additional information about identification, evaluation, and placement please contact Special Programs Director, Jim Bob Hobbs, at the Floydada Special Education Office at (806) 983-5382.

Infantil Buscar de Educación Especial

Con la ayuda de la Agencia de Educación de Texas y el centro de servicio de la educación 17, Floydada ISD debe asegurar que una educación pública gratuita apropiada (FAPE) se proporciona a todas las personas con discapacidades, edades 3-21, que califican para servicios de educación especial. Con la ayuda de la Agencia de Educación de Texas, ESC 17, y el de Intervención Temprana de la Infancia (ECI), Floydada ISD debe garantizar que los servicios de intervención te, [rama están disponibles para los niños, de 0-3, con una necesidad identificada. Para llevar a cabo estas responsabilidades, Floydada ISD debe implementar: un sistema completo de "Child Find" en la que el personal de la agencia solicitante tome parte active de la búsqueda para todas las personas con discapacidades o retraso en el desarrollo que sprn 0-21 años de edad. Floydada ISD es responsable de identificar, localizer y evaluar todas las personas 0-21 años de edad, independientemente de la naturaleza o la severidad de la discapacidad. Una vez Floydada ISD determina la elegibilidad, todao los individuos 0-21 años de edad, independientemente de la severidad de la discapacidad o retraso en el desarrollo, son atendidos por Floydada ISD [3-221 años] de conformidad con el Código ed Educación de Texas § 25.001 o un programa de ECI [0-3 años de edad] (34 CFR § 5 300.128, 300.220, 300.300 Nota 3, 34 CFR § 5 303.16, 303.321, y 19 TAC § 89.1035).

Para obtener información adicional acerca de identificación, evaluación, por favor contacta, la Director de Educación Especial, Jim Bob Hobbs en la oficina de Educación Especial en Floydada (806) 983-5382.

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PIONEER

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and later moved to Texas, "as far as she is concerned, her life started the day she got off that train in Texas." She will also be the first to tell you that although Maryland is north of here, it is still south of the Mason-Dixon line!

Helen and Neal married 3 weeks after they met and soon bought their white farmhouse southeast of Floydada for \$1400. They settled in and eventually their family grew to 3 boys and 3 girls. (They were the original Brady Bunch!)

Neal kept Helen (and the rest of the Bertrand clan) laughing hysterically for 37 years before he passed away in 1992.

Helen's favorite holiday is Christmas and she has instilled that love in all of her children and grandchildren. The Bertrands are a big family and rarely do they ALL agree on ANYTHING, but one thing they do agree on is that Christmas at Grandmother's house is special. The family, the togetherness, the food and the jokes that make tears stream down a person's legs are more important than the tree or the presents.

Helen is an icon around town. Everyone recognizes her signature red car wherever she goes. Of course, she is also probably wearing a red dress, red shoes, red jewelry and has a tube of red lipstick in her red purse! One thing you will never see her wearing is pants! Helen Marie Bertrand wears dresses 365 days a year. She is always a lady.

Helen has worked at The Floyd County Extension Agency

Floyd County Farm Bureau

Cates and Dawson Insurance Agency

The USDA/FSA office, formerly known as the ASCS office

Helen loved "her farmers" and was always the first person in the office in the morning. She opened up, made the coffee and turned on the lights. She could hardly bear the thought of retirement, because she enjoyed seeing her friends in the community so much.

You can always expect to see Helen on Sunday mornings at the First United Methodist Church in Floydada sitting on the fourth pew from the front, where her footstool that was specially made for her by Charlie Tyer has a permanent place.

Helen's favorite thing to do is spend time with her family, although they can't always keep up with her. She flew to Las Vegas last summer (at the age of 89!) to attend the wedding of her grandson and his wife, Jeremy and Alicia Lowrance, accompanied by her granddaughter-chaperones, Elizabeth and Hallie Bertrand. Little did Elizabeth and Hallie know that they would have to rest up for a week when they got home after escorting that little lady all over town playing the slots until 4:00 in the morning for three nights in a row!

Helen does love her family. Her six children, Richard, Glen, Wendy, Penny, Becky and Jeff have officially given her 13 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren, although there are many, many others that call her "Grandmother".

Helen's home is always open to her family and friends who love to converge on her warm, cheery kitchen with the red sink for home-cooked food that is always made with love. She enjoys traveling to bigger cities for shopping or

visiting but she loves living in Floydada. Floydada is home.

2018 PIONEER COUPLE OF THE YEAR JERROLD AND BELLE VINSON

By Mike Vinson

Jerrold Neil Vinson was born in Harlingen, Texas, December 13, 1932, to Oliver C. Vinson and Maggie L. Vinson. He was the only boy to four older sisters. He was the last shot to get a boy. OC was in his late 50's when Jerrold was born.

OC and Maggie settled first in the Lakeview community. Jerrold and his sisters attended school there. Jerrold was taught his ABC's and reading by his youngest sister Doris who lived in Floydada for many years before moving to Stephenville. After a couple of years of living in Lakeview, O.C. bought some land north of Floydada (a huge farm of 120 acres) and began farming. Since Jerrold knew his ABC's and reading he skipped the first grade so he graduated from Floydada High School in 1949 at the tender age of 16. He says it was because he was so smart. But we have heard that the first-grade class was full, and they needed somebody to move up, maybe he won the drawing?

Belle was born to Romie and Inez Fults in Fannin County, Ladonia, Texas. During the war their last name was changed from Fultz to Fults. The change was made so they would not be thought of as German. Belle was one of 4 siblings, one sister and 3 brothers. Romie worked on farms and gins, in 1945, he moved his family to the Acuff community. Belle and her siblings attended Roosevelt High School, where she graduated at 16. After graduation, she worked in Slaton at Crow Harrel and later on, she worked at Ray Ayers Feed as a bookkeeper.

Jerrold and Belle ran with some of the same crowd and had their first date at Roaring Springs. They had a whirlwind courtship (pun intended) and were married 6 months later on December 20, 1952 both at the ripe old age to 20. Jerrold definitely married up!!! That is why they only dated for 6 months he did not want her to find somebody else!!

They settled on a farm west of town that they purchased in the Harmony Community, where he got his first nick name of "Harmony Slim". The kids started arriving quickly. Nine months after the wedding, (yes, nine months) Michael Neil was born September 19, 1953 (named after his dad Jerrold Neil), Robert Mark was born April 24, 1955, (named after Belle's brother and Granddad), and Lori Ann October 6, 1959 (named after no one) made the family complete. But Lori got a good southern name "Lori Ann" and she is still JV's favorite today. The children all completed their school years and graduated from Floydada High School mostly without honors!!

JV and Belle were a successful farm family (some years) raising several different kinds of crops and critters such as cotton, bell peppers, onions and soybeans, milo, sunflowers and tried pigs and some cattle. But cotton was king on the Vinson farm. Somewhere along this time Jerrold picked up his new nickname JV (Red Watts, I think). You would never see any weeds in JV's fields (well almost never). He harvested cotton with a two-row stripper mounted on his IH tractor.

JV said the green paint was too expensive. Mike and Mark (Clyde) forked and tromped the cotton in trailers to take to the gin and did most of the other work on the farm!!!! (That is the way I remember it)

Belle (also now known as Fannie Belle) was a stay at home mom and worked hard at raising their children, which I can promise you was not easy. Fannie Belle could swing a mean fly swatter, she was not afraid to use it. Fannie Belle taught all three of the kids to swim but could not swim herself. Her mother had told her not to go near the water until she learned how to swim!!! Fanny Belle was and is a great cook, I think that is why Harmony Slim became JV. She helped during harvest by pulling trailers to the gin. But always made breakfast, lunch and dinner. She was great about getting JV out of bed at 5:00 AM to change his row water. But she stayed in bed until he got back in.

Fannie Belle got a paying job when the boys had left home for college and other adventures, while Lori was still in school.

Belle first worked for Beall's Department Store in downtown Floydada for two years. After that, she worked at Floydada Junior High as a teacher's assistant in the reading program. She continued there for 15 years and then she retired. (Did Fannie Belle help anyone here today to learn to read better??)

JV had tried flying but learned he did not know how to land well, took up bowling and the story is he had a 300 game, he was an excellent pitcher in fast pitch softball but took up golf around 28, parred number one the first time he played it and was a scratch player before he was 30. Mark and I played with him as we got older. (Come on boys, hurry up and hit) I played Texas amateur events. Mark became a golf pro. He has been at the Lubbock Country Club for 32 years. So, JV was a pretty good teacher just not very patient, but a good teacher.

JV is known around town for pulling a prank or two on his friends and neighbors but has also had a few pranks that have gone against him. In recent years JV has developed a fear of yellow airplanes. They were based out of the airport just south of our farm. The approach pattern put the low flying aircraft near him as

he was in the field which at times cause JV to fall into the crop rows and hug the ground.

Talk to Probasco he can tell you the whole story.

Prior to Tom Chatman pasting away, he had requested that JV farm his land. The Vinson farming operation double in size overnight, in today's terms it was small but in the 80's and earlier 90's it was a big operation. Since JV no longer had the boys to ride the tractor, he purchased his first tractor with a cab, AC and radio!!!!!!

JV (now Bubba) and Fannie Belle always loved the beach. They traveled to South Padre Island in the fall and would stay there for a few weeks at a time and with friends Chuck and Betty Holmes, and Keith and Lodema Thomas.

The increase in the farming operation had been successful so they were able to buy a small condo on South Padre Island for the entire family to enjoy with room for the grandchildren and great grandchildren.

JV and Fannie Belle moved to the big city (Plainview) for a few years after selling the farm and the farm house. But JV could not handle the big city traffic there were more than two lights in town!!!! But I believe he just missed Floydada, so they have been on Mesquite Street for 15 years.

Bubba and Fannie Belle have 3 children, 6 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren: Mike and Mary Ann Vinson, their children Max and his wife Vera, Myca and her husband Chase. Fannie Belle calls him Jace. Mark and Barbara Vinson, their children Jenna and Tyler; Jenna's husband Ryan and their child Neilee (Jerrold Neil and Lee Hutt). Lori Vinson and Mark Gilly, their children Emory and Jessica. Emory and his wife Michelle three children (grands), Tanner, Ashlyn and Jace. Jessica and her husband Adam Mole have three children (greats), Kashton, Addison and Graylen (better known as Bear).

Their days now consist of Belle working at the First Baptist Church once a week with the Awanas serving lunch to children, ages 6-12. Jerrold travels to the farm, has coffee and eats at the Senior Citizens. Most of all they enjoy their grand-children, great grandchildren and even though it does not seem like it sometimes, each other.

TPWD

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come to hunt, and most of them are deer hunters as well. Hunters annually harvest about 700,000 deer, most of which are white-tails.

"When you look at the outdoor-based economy predicated on recreation—hunting, fishing, kayaking bird watching, wildlife watching—deer hunting accounts for about \$3 billion of that," said Smith.

TPWD has undertaken a major transition with regard to the Managed Lands Deer program. This past year TPWD collapsed all of their deer related permits into two Managed Lands Deer permits, a conservation option and a harvest-related option.

The conservation permit, he said, gives landowners the most flexibility, and in exchange for a ranch specific, customized harvest recommendation, coupled with a five-month hunting season, participants are asked to do a couple of habitat management practices and report harvest from a buck and doe perspective.

The harvest option enables a participating landowner to receive a harvest quota based on where the ranch resides within one of the 44 deer management units established in the state. Landowners with the harvest option are not required to do any habitat management-related practices.

Smith also discussed updates to the aerial wildlife management permit and the landowner authorization agreements that accompany this permit. He explained that when the "pork chopper" bill passed, a piece of legislation that allowed a designated landowner's agent to pay helicopter op-

erators to take people up to shoot hogs, a whole new niche industry developed inside the helicopter industry.

"They [landowners] are hoppin' mad because someone who doesn't have permission to do so is shooting onto their property from the helicopter with help from an unscrupulous pilot. You know what? I would be mad, too, if they didn't have permission."

Consequently, the commission passed a rule that required Landowner Agents to be authorized for area wildlife management permit owners to only those permittees who submitted maps, and that TPWD had landowners approve them.

Finally, he addressed a new proposed mule deer antler restriction regulation for certain counties. To date, 117 of the 254 counties have a 13-inch antler spread requirement for whitetails. This was put into place in an effort to protect the young bucks and shift harvest across the different age cohorts.

"Restricting harvest of those bucks that have a 13-inch and smaller inside antler spread will protect 80 percent or so of our year and a half to two-and-a-half-year-old bucks."

There has been a request for something similar for mule deer in Hall, Cottle, Childress and Motley counties. The proposal to the TPW Commission being considered in March is to have an experimental season in those counties using a 20-inch outside antler spread restriction on mule deer.

"Our biologists believe we'll be able to protect 55 to 60 percent of the bucks that are 3.5 years old and younger," said Smith. "We're going to monitor that for three years and see how it works. So, stay tuned."

NOTES

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CITY-WIDE CLEAN UP WEEK

The City of Floydada announced its 2018 Spring Clean-up week scheduled May 21-27. The City encourages clean-up efforts and provides the free landfill dumping and free drop-off locations within the city to assist its residents.

LHS GRADUATION AND BACCALAUREATE

The Lockney High School Graduation and Baccalaureate ceremony will be held on Friday, May 25 at the Longhorn

Gym starting at 7 p.m.

DIAMOND DUSTERS SOFTBALL

The Diamond Dusters softball team from Floydada will be playing in tournaments in Ruidoso on June 8-10, and the Goliath Tournament in Lubbock on June 21-24. Watch for further info on times, etc. in future issues of the Hesperian-Beacon.

FBC LOCKNEY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

First Baptist Church of Lockney will have their Vacation Bible School on June 11-14, 2018. For more info, contact the church at 806-652-3361 or look on their website at www.fbclockney.com

Fishing Report

Altus-Lugert: Elevation below normal, water 67 and clear. Crappie are fair on jerk baits, jigs and minnows around docks, riprap, rocks and standing timber. Walleye are slow on jerk baits, jigs and lipless baits along riprap and rocks.

Ellsworth: Elevation normal, water murky. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs around brush structure, docks and riprap. Blue and channel catfish are slow on cut bait, punch bait and shad along channels, main lake and points.

Lawtonka: Elevation normal, water clear. Crappie are slow on minnows and jigs around brush structure, docks and rocks.

Tom Steed: Elevation normal, water 58. Crappie, white bass and saugeye are fair on minnows, jigs and hair jigs around brush structure, in coves and rocks. Striped bass hybrids, white bass and saugeye are good on crankbaits, minnows and sassy shad along the dam, points and rocks. Blue and channel catfish good on cut bait, punch bait, shad and stinkbait along creek channels, flats, points and rocks.

Waurika: Elevation normal, water murky. Crappie are fair on jigs around brush structure and riprap. Striped bass hybrids and white bass are fair on crankbaits and flukes

along shorelines.

Alan Henry: Water clear main lake, stained up the river; 62 degrees main lake, 67 up the creeks; 7.37 ft. low. Black bass are fair on topwaters, weightless flukes, shakysheads with trick worms, Senkos and chatterbaits. Crappie are slow on minnows. Catfish are slow on live perch and live worms.

Arrowhead: Water fairly clear; 62-67 degrees; 1.62 ft. low. Black bass are fair on jigs, Texas rigs and chrome Rat-L-Traps. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs around structure. Catfish are fair to good on cut bait and nightcrawlers.

Coleman: Water stained; 73-77 degrees; 2.93 ft. low. Black bass are good on dark soft plastic worms, lizards and spinnerbaits. Hybrid striped are fair on live shad. Crappie and channel and yellow catfish are slow.

Colorado City: 16.49 ft. low. After a period of drought, this lake caught water and boating is now allowed. However, it is not currently recommended for fishing due to severe golden alga blooms.

Ft. Phantom Hill: Water off color; 61-66 degrees; 2.84 ft. low. Black bass are fair to good on silver spinnerbaits, Texas rigs and jigs. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Catfish are good on live and cut bait.

Greenbelt: Water off color; 64-72 degrees; 33.14 ft. low. Black bass are fair on pearl shallow running crankbaits, Texas rigs and shakysheads. Crappie are fair on live minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair to good on live and cut bait.

Hubbard Creek: Water off color; 63-68 degrees; 3.8 ft. low. Black bass are fair on white/chartreuse spinnerbaits, Texas rigs and weightless Senkos. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Catfish are good on live and cut bait.

Mackenzie: Water stained; 65-71 degrees; 75.26 ft. low. Black bass are fair on Texas rigs and shallow running crankbaits. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs around structure. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers and live baitfish.

Meredith: Water fairly clear; 59-68 degrees; 48.25 ft. low. No reports on black bass. No reports of smallmouth bass or walleye. Bream and channel catfish are being caught in limited numbers.

Nasworthy: 61-66 degrees; 1.12 ft. low. Black bass are fair on watermelon seed jigs, Texas rigs and red Rat-L-Traps. No reports on crappie. Catfish are fair to good on live bait and nightcrawlers.

O.H. Ivie: Water stained; 61-67 degrees; 39.77 ft. low. Black bass are fair on split-shot rigged flukes, Texas rigs and chad pattern crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows. Catfish are good on cut

and live bait.

Oak Creek: Water stained; 62-68 degrees; 11.69 ft. low. Black bass are fair to good on Texas rigs, Senkos and orange/brown crankbaits. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Catfish are fair to good on live and cut bait.

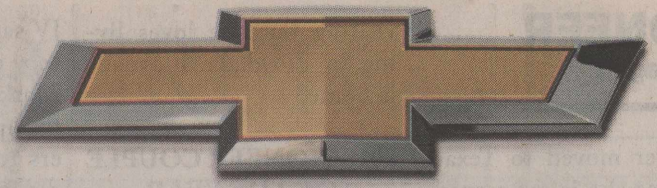
Possum Kingdom: Water fairly clear; 62-67 degrees; 1.27 ft. low. Black bass are fair to good on drop shot rigs, Texas rigs and chrome Rat-L-Traps. Crappie are fair on live minnow. White bass are fair to good on slabs. Striped bass are fair on live shad. Catfish are good on live and cut bait.

Spence: 52.55 ft. low. No report on black bass or crappie. Catfish are fair on live bait, cut bait and nightcrawlers.

Stamford: Water stained to muddy; 61-65 degrees; 1.59 ft. low. Black bass are fair to good on small swim-baits, Texas rigs and shallow running crankbaits. Crappie are fair on jigs and live minnows. White bass are fair on slabs and tail spinners. Blue catfish are good on cut and live bait.

Sweetwater: Water off color; 61-67 degrees; 25.1 ft. low. This lake is currently experiencing a fish kill due to golden alga. Biologists are monitoring the situation and will post updates as they become available.

White River: Water stained; 62-68 degrees; 23.06 ft. low. Black bass are fair on chatterbaits and Texas rigs. No reports on crappie. Catfish are good on live bait.



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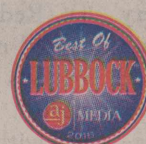
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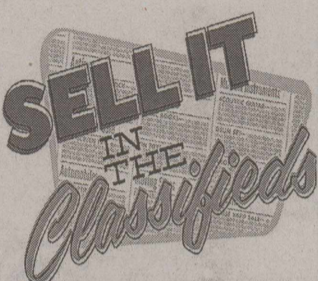
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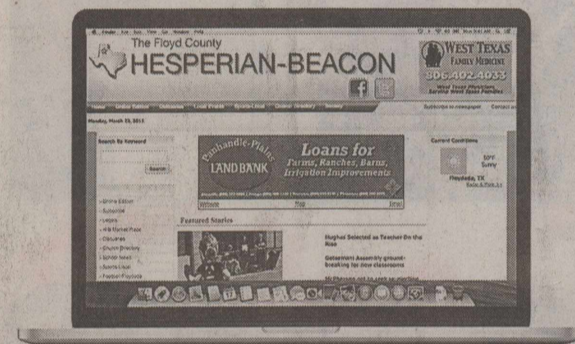
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PROP #	CAUSE #	STYLE	PROP DESCRIPTION, ADDRESS, ACCT #
1	5739TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Daniel T. Ortega-Tijerina	Lot 3, Block 138, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 18, Page 214 of the Official Public Records, Floyd County, Texas), Account #R000001516
2	5860TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v James W. McGregor et al	the East 20' of Lot 6 and the West 50' of Lot 7, Block 7, Honerhea Addition, City of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 201, Page 85, Deed Records), Account #R000002035
3	5857TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Juana B. Palomin et al	all of Lots 15-17, Block 2, Hadley Addition, City of Lockney, Floyd County, Texas with a Manufactured Home, Label #HWC0321465 & HWC0321466, Serial #CW2008363TX A / B, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 235, Page 131, Deed Records), Account #R000003080
4	5849TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Francisco Javier Bernal et al	the North 1/2 of Lots 13-15, Block 10, Walling Addition, City of Lockney, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 272, Page 167, Deed Records), Account #R000003547
5	5881TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Raul Mendoza et al	Lot 10, Block A, Andrews Addition, City of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 282, Page 520, Deed Records), Account #R000001557
6	5904TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Jessica Johnston et al	all of Lot 1, Block 90, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 50, Page 183, Deed Records), Account #R000001015
7	5876TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Plutarco Garcia et al	Lots 9 and 10, Block 45, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas, SAVE & EXCEPT the North 1/3 of the East 1/2 of Lot 10, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 279, Page 613, Deed Records), Account #R000000530
8	5887TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Thelma Givens et al	Lots 15-16, Block 12, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 206, Page 573, Deed Records), Account #R000000240
9	5890TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Leona Vaughn et al	Lot 3, 4, Block 4, Texas Addition, City of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 266, Page 538, Deed Records), Account #R000002353
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11	5839TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Kimberly Dawn Peralez	the East 12-1/2' of Lot 3, all of Lots 4 and 5, Block 69, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 67, Page 674, Deed Records), Account #R000000797
12	5874TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Eva Bernal et al	the South 1/2 of Lots 11-13, Block 17, Original Townsite of the Town of Lockney, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 259, Page 841, Deed Records), Account #R000000731
13	5896TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v John F. Brown	the South 1/2 of Lot 10, all of Lot 11, Block 1, Baker Annex, City of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 240, Page 223, Deed Records), Account #R000001659
14	5898TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Jorge Bernal et al	Lot 2, Block 2, Original Town of Lockney, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 277, Page 634, Deed Records), Account #R000002611
15	5799TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Jesusa S. Mendoza et al	Lots 4-5-6, Block 91, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 42, Page 722, Deed Records), Account #R000001034
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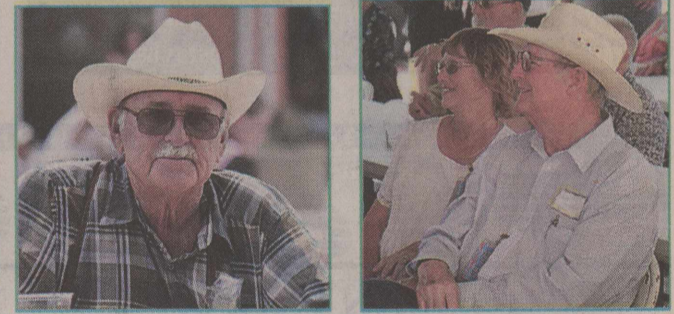
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