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## The Misfit's Path to State

**June 5** - Tri-County Round 1 Misfits: 15, Ralls: 8  
**June 7** - Tri-County Round 2 Misfits: 15, Idalou: 5  
**June 8** - Tri-County Champions Misfits: 18, Slaton: 8  
**June 9** - Car Wash Fundraiser--Reagor Dykes  
**June 12** - Swim and Bake Sale Fundraiser  
**June 19** - All-Star Championship Game 1: Misfits:18-Ralls: 2  
**June 22** - All Star Championship Game 2: Misfits: 9, Ralls: 5  
**July 2** - Sectionals Game I Score: Misfits: 15, Borger: 5  
**July 3** - Sectionals Game II Score: Misfits: 28, Borger: 4  
**Misfit's Raffle-on-going**  
**July 14** - State Tournament. Kirby Fields — Abilene, TX

## Lockney Misfits Team State-bound!



Courtesy Photo

**The 2018 Section 1 Champions and State-bound Lockney Misfits Fast Pitch Softball Team: Back Row (L to R) Coach Frank Hernandez, Ashlyn Green, Hailey Aufill, Senayda Bernal, Holley Monroe, Mikaela Galindo, Samantha Briones, Madison Garcia and Coach Rigo Briones. Front Row (L to R) Mika Perales, Karen Trenado, Thalia Ascencio, Annalicia Hernandez, and Elektra Monroe. Not pictured: Hannah Reyes and Coach Cynthia Briones**

By Deon Fincher  
 The Hesperian Beacon

It has been a long journey for the Little League Junior Division Softball team, but with an impressive record of 25-3-1 this group has proven that they can compete.

As local champions, they set their sights on the games in their future. And, man! Did they have a vision of winning.

The qualifying games began in June. The Tri-County Rounds came first, June 5 and June 7. Ralls fell to the Misfits with a score of Misfits 15, Ralls 8. Two days later, the Misfits tromped on Idalou, 15-5.

The Tri-County Championship was next on the list. The girls played Slaton and slayed them--Misfits-18, Slaton-9, clinching the series Championship.

The team has to cover their entry fees to the tournaments, which add up to hundreds of dollars for multiple contests. Showing their ongoing spirit of teamwork, the group washed cars at Reagor-Dykes on June 9, working to cover some of the costs to the All-Star Games in July.

Another fundraiser, on June 12th, placed the team at the Lockney City Pool selling baked items, treats and swimming

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## Floydada Clinic gets Revamp



By Deon Fincher  
 The Hesperian Beacon

The West Texas Family Medical Center, located in Floydada, will be getting new floors. Throughout this construction project, the clinic will be TEMPORARILY closed, July 12-18.

"We don't want anyone to think that the clinic is closing!" said Jennifer Haterius, P.A. "We are just closed for a few days. We truly need to make a few renovations, and this will freshen up the clinic for our patients."

Haterius stated that all phone calls will be directed to the Plainview clinic during the renovation. The clinic should reopen the following week.

## Floydada Fire Department's Fundraiser

### Pulled-Pork sandwich meals

By Deon Fincher  
 The Floydada Hesperian Beacon

The Floydada Volunteer Fire Department will be selling Pulled-pork Sandwich meals again this year to raise funds for their Department's operating expenses.

"Little fundraisers like this is what keeps our department going, and we appreciate all contributions made by this great community," state member Rusty Hopper.

Service will begin at 11:00 am Sunday, July 15th and continue until all sandwiches are sold. The activity will be held at the Firehall located on Virginia Street and will be organized in a drive-thru fashion.

A minimum donation of \$5.00 per sandwich, chips and a drink will be appreciated.

The fundraiser is put on by the Department's members and families.

"It's our pleasure to serve this community and the surrounding areas!" added Hopper.

When asked about funding for the fire department, Hopper stated, "The City has a budget for us that is supposed to cover operating expenses. A few years ago, the County helped us get some military trucks, but getting those up and running is all on us." That translates into diesel costs, maintenance costs for the trucks, hoses, radios, etc., and general costs associated with having an organization. The busier the fire season, the greater the expenses. So far this year,



the department has been called on 86 fire runs.

With this year's dry conditions, the department has been more active than normal. "Seems like we can't get a rain without lighting. That's the big culprit right now," added Hopper. Cotton harvest-time is also a dangerous period--with the static electricity catching the burrs on fire. Unless the area receives much-needed moisture, the fall months will be more active for fires than usual.

There are twenty-two members of the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department. Leading the crews are Craig Dubois-Chief, Chad Guthrie-1st Asst. Chief, and Randall Sims-2nd Asst. Chief.

## Floyd County Supply Begins Rewards

By Deon Fincher  
 The Hesperian Beacon

Our local Floyd County Supply, located on Second Street in Floydada, has begun a "punch card" reward program for their 32 oz. soft drinks. Purchase the card for \$10. In the upcoming weeks, get your card punched each time you get a 32 oz soda.



After the 12th soda, you purchase another card. Twelve sodas for \$10-- your reward for being a loyal customer.

## Not Everyone had July 4th off...

Here is just a handful of our neighbors that were hard at work that day. We salute all of those that worked the holiday!



The employees at Floyd County Supply- (L to R) Roy Molina, Don Gibbens, Chris Sessions, Shele Tidwell, Jim Huggins, Marcos Bueno. (Front) Tammy Sanchez. Employees not pictured: Jennifer DeLaGarza, Gary Lyles, Kay McCulloch and Owner Lindan Morris.



Folks at CHS-Keith (forklift); (L to R) Jimmy, Lanny, and Johnny. Joe Starkey was out in the field delivering product.



Floydada Police- Joel Martinez



The Reagor-Dykes Chevrolet Team- (L to R) Cody Malone, Mike Muniz, Zeke Torres, Kyi Baker, Eric McEntire, Mike Murphy, Gabe dela Fuente, Matt Marshall.

## 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

### TRINITY ASSEMBLY MOVIE NIGHT

The Trinity Assembly in Floydada will have their "Movie Night" on Friday, July 13th at 6 p.m. It's open to the entire community and is free of charge. Dinner and Movie! Bring your whole family! The movie "Courageous" will be showing.

### LOCKNEY ISD STRENGTH & CONDITIONING CAMP

Lockney ISD coaching staff will hold their "Longhorn Champions Camp" (strength and conditioning) the Longhorn Fieldhouse from 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. All High School/Middle School athletes can participate. Dates camp will be held are: July 16-19; July 23-26.

### FIRST UNITED METHODIST VBS

The First United Methodist Church in Floydada will hold their Vacation Bible School on July 16 - July 18 from 5:30 - 8:30. Children 3 years old thru 5th grade are welcome. Pre-register at the Church, 203 W. Kentucky or call 806-983-3706 for more info.

### LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

The Lockney Senior Citizens Center will hold a "Pancake Supper" on Monday, July 30th from 5-8 p.m. Donations welcome.

## Correction

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## Letter to the editor

Dear Editor,

We would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation and gratitude for the hard work that was performed by the members of the Matador Volunteer Fire Department, Roaring Springs Volunteer Fire Department, Dougherty Volunteer Fire Department and the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department while fighting the recent fires on our property. Thank you to those who continued to monitor

and take care of the hot spots that burned on for several days following the fire. We are so thankful for the time you so selflessly volunteer to help others.

Sincerely,  
**Stanley & Lou Burleson**  
**Marisue Potts**  
**Floydada, Texas**

## Lockney Misfits Headed to State



Deon Fincher/Hesperian Beacon

The Misfits gathered together to give a big "Thank You" to Reagor-Dykes Chevrolet in Floydada for their generous donation to help cover the team's expenses. Back Row (L to R): Head Coach Frank Hernandez, Senayda Bernal, Ashlyn Green, Thalia Ascencio, Karen Trenado, Mika Perales, Annalicia Hernandez, Asst. Coach Rigo Briones. Front Row (L to R): Hailey Auffer, Madison Garcia, Samantha Briones and Mikaela Galindo. Not pictured: Hannah Reyes and Coach Cynthia Briones.

## Museum Archives

### The Floyd County Historical Museum Memories 1979

J. DEE AND ARLA COPELAND

I was born in Lockney, the third of seven children, born to J. Frank and Lula Copeland. My father was a preacher and music teacher. He taught music at Gunter College, Gunter, Texas. He held gospel meetings all over Texas. I accompanied him many times and led the singing.

My mother, besides looking after her own large family, always had time to help care for the sick. I recall the terrible flu epidemic. My mother made soup that I carried, in a buggy, to four families who were all down with the flu. While there I also fed their livestock. I was twelve. I recall sitting in the old grade school and watching the crew erect the water tower for Lockney. I found this to be more interesting than working math.

We lived in Canyon when My father attended the "Normal". I recall the day the "Normal" building burned. The upper classmen threw the books out of the second story windows while those below carried the books away and sang the alma mater.

I finished high school at Gunter College, where my father was teaching. There I

met a little Arkansas girl by the name of Arla Wheeler, whose ambition was to become an old maid school teacher. She was the sixth child of James Robert and Nancy Jane Wheeler. She was reared on a farm at Springdale, Arkansas. She went to Arkansas University and received her B. S. degree. After teaching 3 years, I talked her into giving up teaching and coming to Texas. We were married in 1934. I took an accounting course and worked at Consumers Fuel.

This was Arla's first experience with a West Texas Sand Storm. When I came home from work, I found her distressed while trying to clean house during a sandstorm. I explained that the way to survive, was to pull the curtains, bury yourself in a good book, until the storm was over, then clean house.

We had three children; two daughters, one son. Robert Stephen was killed in a car accident in Great Falls, Montana, in 1961, on his 23rd birthday. We were comforted by the warm sympathy of the people in this community and the many other places where Bob had worked. This experience led us to feel that Texans really care for each other. Frances Dee, our oldest, and her husband, Wendell Huddleston, and their three children-Jeff, Nancy and Robert, live in Lubbock. She and Wendell teach there. Celia Ann is married to Hollis Webb. They have two

daughters, Amy and Rebecca Ann. Hollis is an attorney at law in Lubbock.

Everyone in our family, except Arla, was born in Texas. She has lived in Texas longer than elsewhere, but when Arkansas U. beats Tech, she thinks the rest of us make her feel that she is to blame. That is not true. We do not hold it against her because she is not a native Texan.

I was business manager of Lockney Hospital in 1947, when we secured medical barracks from Brownwood, Texas, for the first building. Our first Doctor was D. R. Foster, M.D.

During World War II, everyone in our town, who had a degree, taught school because teachers were scarce. Arla taught homemaking 4 years. When Celia was 6, Arla went to Tech and received a Master's Degree in Elementary Ed. She then taught 3rd grade. In all, she taught 29 years. We both feel that her life has been enriched by the privilege of knowing and loving so many young people of this community.

I have been a member of the Chamber of Commerce, City Council, Rotary Club, Cemetery Association and Floyd Co. Historical Museum. We have been members of West College and 3rd Street over 40 years. We have had a rich and happy life together in this good community, which has the warmest and most caring people in the world.

## The Paperboy Rural America is vital

It has been a very long time since we've had an economy with this many jobs available. It seems businesses have job openings everywhere you go.

An even more telling sign of a robust economy: The labor participation rate continues to increase.

I remember the economy roaring during the 1990s when the Internet was rapidly evolving. The current economy is not where it was in the 1990s, but it is trending in a positive direction.

The stock market and other markets have stabilized after soaring to unprecedented highs earlier this year. Most level-headed analysts believe the current market has growing confidence vs. the speculation in the market earlier this year. In other words, we were due a correction and got one.

A strong economy is great for the country. But are we seeing this economy roaring in rural communities?



CHRIS BLACKBURN

Rural America is the backbone of the country. The food, fiber and fuel it takes to run this country are produced here. Most of you probably knew that, but did you know that the majority of our fighting forces come from the small towns of America?

And when thinking of Rural America, where does the water stand which quenches the thirst of the cities? Most of the drinking water is near small towns.

The point here is that instead of being an afterthought, Rural America needs to be taken care of too.

It takes considerable resources to produce what it takes to run the country. Is that infrastructure taken care of?

I'd argue that more needs to be done in Rural America. How that happens is a tough question and I don't think there's one good answer. It's probably a combination things. A bigger question is are those who are attempting to solve this riddle in tune with small towns?

Rural Americans have taken a backseat to our city and suburban brethren for long enough.

Without the producer, the consumer would be without. Perhaps we need to remind our elected overlords of this fact.

I suggest you call or email your neighboring elected officials and make them aware that we have real concerns. I say "neighboring" because our own elected officials are well aware of our difficulties. We need to put the pressure on other elected officials since ours are so vastly outnumbered.

I've always contended that a united rural America would be a formidable voice. Perhaps now is that time...

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## Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

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**  
July 16 - July 20

**Monday** - Meat loaf  
**Tuesday** - Taco salad  
**Wednesday** - Chicken fried steak  
**Thursday** - Spaghetti  
**Friday** - Baked chicken  
(Menus subject to change without notice)

**LOCKNEY** - We will be having a "Pancake Supper" on Monday, July 30th from 5 - 8 p.m. Donations welcome.

The 2018 membership dues are due now - \$15 per person.

Bingo Night will be held on Monday, July 16th from 6-8 p.m.

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.

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## Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Brenda Heflin

**FLOYDADA** - Floydada Senior Citizens wishes to thank you for your generous donations and memorials.

**In memory of Frances Barnett** - Myrtis Cope, Margaret Soudeiler

**In memory of WH and Loene Nelson** - Rick and

Our next Bingo night will be the second Tuesday in which is August 14. We open the doors at 5:30 p.m. and play from 6 to 8 p.m. We will have sandwiches, drinks and dessert available at that time. We will also continue our progressive cash bingo game. Our "Money Pot" for the progressive black-out bingo is up to \$50.00. We

also play for a cash prize each time. Mark your calendars and join us.

Accolade Home Health is planning on a blood pressure, cholesterol, blood sugar clinic once a month on the first Wednesday of the month. As we gather more information, it will be announced.

Freida Dunn, BSN,ET, is present the 4th Thursday of the month for a blood pressure clinic, beginning at 11:30, weather permitting. Next clinics will be July 26 and August 30.

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. Please try to call before 10:45 so that we can prepare

for delivery. 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.

Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235. Our phone number is 983-2032. Thank you for remembering the Center with your donations or memorials.

**MENU**  
June 4 - June 8

**Monday** - Chicken w/gravy & rice  
**Tuesday** - LuAnn's meat & potato casserole  
**Wednesday** - Salisbury steak  
**Thursday** - Tacos  
**Friday** - Chicken strips  
(Menus subject to change without notice)

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## Covington and Tallman wed in magical ceremony

Lexi Paige Covington, daughter of Marty and Sheree Covington of Floydada, Texas, and Brian "Tyler" Tallman, son of Brian and Sheri Tallman of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, were united in a magical ceremony Saturday, June 16, 2018, at The Venue at Waterstone in Celina, Texas. Guests were seated beneath trees overlooking a lake in church pews in the countryside setting while prelude music was played by Serenata Strings quartet. A flower laden arch provided a beautiful backdrop for the service to follow.

Brityn Henzler, Pressley Parkman, cousin of the bride, and Abby Klipstein welcomed guests with wedding programs prior to being escorted by ushers Taylor McKay and Brandon Tomlin. Guests registered at a lace-covered table displaying wedding pictures of the bride's and groom's parents and grandparents. The bride's grandparents are Jerry and Sheree Cannon and Kent Covington and the late Barbara Covington of Floydada, Texas. The groom's grandparents are Paul and Barbara Droll.

Guests were served glasses of fruit infused water as they were seated. To begin the service, mother of the bride, Sheree Covington was escorted by her son, Colton Covington; Sheri Tallman, mother of the groom was escorted by the groom. Guests were welcomed by Officiant Tim Franks of Iowa Park, Texas.

The string quartet played "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" as the bridal party made their way down the aisle. Maid of Honor, Faith Mouse, Lexi's sorority sister of Norman, Oklahoma, was escorted by Best Man, Kade Kwitowski, friend of the groom, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Bridesmaid Katrina Holder of Austin, Texas was escorted by Groomsman Corbin Thurman of Edmond, Oklahoma. Kay Weir of Dallas was escorted by Justin Bachmeir of St. Thomas, USVI; Whitley Devault of Farwell, Texas, childhood best friend of the bride, was escorted by Aaron Fournier of Norman, Oklahoma. Groomsman Max Meir of Los Angeles, California, escorted Jessica Briscoe of Fort Worth, Texas. Bridesmaid Beth Chen of Tulsa was escorted by Michael Davis also of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Groomsman Colton Covington, brother of



MR. AND MRS. BRIAN "TYLER" TALLMAN  
(nee Lexi Paige Covington)

the bride of Floydada, escorted Allison Tallman, sister of the groom, of Stillwater, Oklahoma. Bridal attendants were attired in hydrangea blue floor-length gowns and carried mixed bouquets of blush and crème roses and peonies. The groom and his attendants wore navy blue suits and bow ties.

Ring Bearers for the event were Brantley Heflin of Floydada and Asher Covington of Duncan, Oklahoma. Brantley carried the ring pillow made from a vintage handkerchief belonging to the bride's great grandmother Rosebud Bonjour. Adorable Flower Girls Brylee Heflin of Floydada, and daughters of the bride's cousins; Kaylen Rieff of Abernathy, and Ansley Covington, of Duncan Oklahoma, dressed in white lace dresses with ankle length tulle skirts and floral garlands around their heads. The girls scattered rose petals as they proceeded down the aisle to prepare for the arrival of the bride.

The exquisite bride made her grand entrance on the arm of her father Marty Covington while the Serenata quartet played "A Thousand Years". Lexi wore a one-of-a-kind custom wedding couture bridal gown by Nardos Design of Dallas, Texas, crafted from luxurious Italian embroidered tulle. Her sleek crepe strapless column gown featured a sweetheart neckline and was accented with a lavish embroidered detachable brush train that gave the gown its graceful

and timeless quality. She wore a double-tier pencil-hem gown length silk illusion veil embellished with Swarovski crystals creating a majestic appearance. Lexi's accessories were diamond and pearl drop earrings and a borrowed pearl bracelet belonging to her mother. For something blue, Lexi carried a vintage handkerchief given to her by special friend Atha Sue of Floydada. Pennies bearing the years of the bride's and groom's birth were worn in her shoes for something old. The bridal bouquet was cascading white, crème, and vibrant pink roses and peonies. Lexi was given in marriage by her father and mother.

To begin the ceremony the worship hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy" was led by Sheldon Sue of Floydada. Special readings, "A Wedding Prayer" by Max Lucado and 1 Corinthians 13, were rendered by Bri Covington and Cole Covington, cousin of the bride of Eules, Texas. After a personal and beautiful message by Revered Franks, traditional vows were recited and rings exchanged. Guests applauded as Lexi and Tyler were pronounced "husband and wife". The couple exited the ceremony to the music of "All You Need Is Love".

Following the formal ceremony, guests and friends mingled beneath a garden of huge oak trees with a picturesque lake background. Floral decorated tall wooden bistro tables

and seating areas underneath luminous strung tree lighting provided respite as guests were served cocktails and hors d'oeuvres while the couple was having pictures made. The orchestra continued to serenade the crowd as they visited and enjoyed the gathering. A large ten foot by ten foot gold framed and floral "Escort Board" exhibited individual name cards featuring pink silk ribbons and wax seal numbers to designate the table for each person's seating arrangement prior to entering the reception venue.

The reception following the cocktail hour was a wonderland of flowers, candle-lit tables, and veiled canopies flowing from the cathedral ceiling of the enormous barn venue. The arrival and announcement of "Mr. and Mrs. Tallman" was met with a standing ovation by the crowd as the newlyweds entered the venue. All of the attendants and their escorts danced and twirled to their seats as they were announced. The bridal party was seated at an extremely long eighty-four foot banquet lace-covered table lined with a jaw dropping display of fresh crème, white, apricot, and pink roses, various shades of peonies and greenery with varying heights of floating candles at each place setting. Large ficus trees were strategically placed among the head tables to enhance the theme of the outdoor wedding. An identical head table for family and special guests was parallel to the bridal party's head

table creating a royal ambiance for the reception area. Breathtaking floral arrangements of like flowers and trees decorated round tables surrounding the head tables. Fresh pink peonies tied with ivory silk ribbon were embellished with hand written calligraphy of each guest's name hand written in blue ink. The unique and delicate ribbons were centered on elegant china robin-egg blue chargers and personalized printed menus greeted each guest as they were seated.

To start the reception Marty Covington gave a warm welcome to everyone followed by the blessing given by Wayne Parkman, uncle of the bride. The family-style meal served by the waitstaff consisted of a mixed greens salad with balsamic-marinated strawberries to start. Garlic beef medallions with red wine chimichurri sauce and baked lemon chicken with fig mustard sauce along with assorted fresh vegetables and potatoes were served as entrees. The four-tier layer wedding cake sat on an elegant lace tablecloth with a huge floral wreath of coordinating flowers with the couple's special monogram centered in the wreath in the background. The cake was decorated with a garland of fresh cascading flowers. Layers of cake alternated with strawberry and bourbon butter with butter cream icing. The groom's cake was a chocolate raspberry truffle cake decorated in the Oklahoma Sooner's colors of crimson and cream and were large letters in the shape of the bride and groom's alma mater "OU". The OU fight song played as the couple cut the groom's cake.

Dance music and emceeding duties were provided by Leforce entertainment and were thoroughly enjoyed by all those who watched and those who participated. The white dance floor built and crafted especially for Lexi and Tyler featuring the couple's special wedding monogram of L/T in robin-egg blue was a source of fun throughout the evening as the dance floor was filled to capacity for each and every song. The bride and groom danced their first dance to Wade Bowen's, "Who I Am." The bride and her father also shared a special moment as they danced the father/daughter dance to a classic duet of "Fly Me To The Moon" by George Strait and Frank Sinatra.

Following the dance the bride and groom made their exit from the reception through a long winding tunnel of well-wishers and sparklers beside the torch laden path beside the lake creating an enchanting and fairytale send-off. A spectacular fireworks display concluded the evening, and guests were transported by busses back to their hotel in Frisco. Before departing the venue, guests were given sacks of warm mini donuts to take with them for later in bags noting a sweet ending to the couple's new beginning.

The bride, a 2011 graduate of Floydada High School, received her bachelor's degree from The University of Oklahoma in 2015. She is currently employed as a teacher for Jenks ISD in Jenks, Oklahoma. Tyler, a graduate of Union High School in Tulsa, Oklahoma, earned his bachelor's and master's degree from The University of Oklahoma. He is currently in his 3rd year of medical school at Oklahoma State University-Medical School in Tulsa. The couple will reside in Tulsa after a week-long honeymoon in Riviera Maya, Mexico.

Pre-nuptial courtesies extended for the couple included a bridal shower in the home of Mrs. Todd Beedy of Floydada; a bridal shower given by friends of the groom in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and a "Love is the SPICE of Life" luncheon hosted in Dallas by Brityn Henzler and Jeanine Helms. A "Wine and Friends are a Great Blend" dinner was hosted in the home of Rick and Brenda Heflin and other friends of Floydada. Teacher friends of Lexi held an "I Do" Barbecue in Tulsa. Faith Mouse, Maid of Honor, held the Bachelorette Party for a weekend in Las Vegas, Nevada. Lexi's aunt Paige Parkman, friend Morgan Richardson, and grandmother Sheree Cannon hosted the Bridesmaids Luncheon at the Zodiac Room in the Dallas Neiman Marcus. Parents of the groom hosted the Rehearsal Dinner for the wedding party at Bonnie Ruth's Restaurant in Frisco. The beautiful wedding was under the guidance of GRO Designs of Dallas.

The bride and groom and their parents wish to extend a warm and heartfelt thank you to all of their friends and family who made the destination to the Dallas area to share and celebrate this special and unforgettable day with them.

## About Town...

As I sit in my office, churning out words, there is something different. New paint? No. Different lights? No. Furniture arrangement? Yes! But... that's not it.



DEON FINCHER

I glance up at the window and see the Texas Plains Federal Credit Union building sitting in the sunshine. That's it! My dear friend, Laura Turner, is not sitting at her desk. I know this not because I have x-ray vision and can see through bricks, but because Laura retired last week. After 15 years at Texas Plains Federal Credit Union, she hung up her hat.

A few co-workers secretly put together a retirement celebration for her—not a party. (She told us not to plan a party.) Then, when the cake showed up, so did a bunch of community residents, friends, and well-wishers.

But now, I miss that lady! I miss seeing her cross the street. I miss seeing her bright smile when I walked into the office. I miss the news that she fed me! (She was one of my best sources—she knew everything that was going on.) Things are just a little bit different, now.

As my mind wanders this afternoon, I think about all the people that she knows. About all the customers that she has assisted over the years. She has first-hand knowledge of activities, events that have taken place because she was on the committees. She has experienced good times, bad times, tight times and prosperous

## HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY!

Bill Womack of Floydada celebrated his 90th birthday party on Saturday, July 7th, 2018. He was surprised with a family party at Lake Proctor, near Stephenville, Texas. A great time was had by all! Bill has four sons, Ricky Copp and wife, Lana of Gatesville, Joe Womack of Floydada, Jay Womack and wife, Darla of Nocona, and Tracy Womack and wife, Colleen of San Saba. He has nine grandchildren, Jody Copp of Waco, Kevin Womack of Lubbock, Amber Womack of Littlefield, Kayla Goe of Earth, Tyler Womack of Nocona, Candace Munoz of San Angelo, Brandi Wood of Stephenville, Courtney Clifton of Goldthwaite and Shelby Womack. Bill also has 14 great-grandkids with 1 on the way. They are Lawson Copp, Calan Copp, Kimber Womack, Gunner Womack, BeAnna Womack, Tessa Womack, Elizabeth Ann Womack, Blaine Robbins, Ky Hayes, Rainey Hayes, Braileigh Goe, Reiner Goe, Lawson Womack, Hallie Munoz, Hadley Munoz, Hayzen Munoz, Kase Clifton, Kaden Clifton and Parker Wood—on the way.



times—all with a smile.

Laura walks by my house every day in her daily exercise routine. Determination—another one of her endearing traits. My dogs love her because sometimes she will stop and ask them about their day. All three of them cheer her on as she gets back on the street and into the flow. Their day isn't complete until she shows up, either.

I wish her well, with her retirement, although, I don't think she'll sit through it. There is too much energy—too much light in that girl to hide it in doors.

Laura Turner, my dear friend, I salute you!



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Laura Turner retires from TX Plains Federal Credit Union after 15 years of service.

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# OBITUARIES/CHURCH

## Obituary

### Elbert David "Butch" Gilliland

Elbert David "Butch" Gilliland, age 72, our beloved father, grandfather, brother, uncle, nephew, cousin and friend, passed away on July 3, 2018, in Floydada, Texas.

Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, July 14, 2018 at the First United Methodist Church in Floydada.

Visitation will be held at 5 p.m.-7 p.m., Friday, July 13, 2018 at Moore Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Arrangements are under the personal care of Moore Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

Butch was born on July 22, 1945 in Floydada to Levis Benson and Virgie Ruth (Vickers) Gilliland.

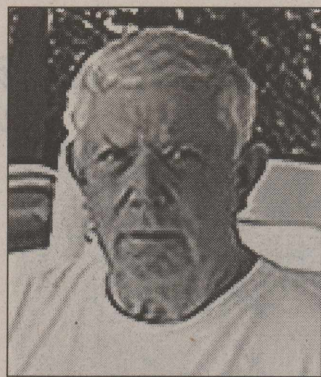
He was preceded in death by both of his parents, his wife, Edna Nell (Shaw) Gilliland, and his nephew, Cory Gilliland.

He is survived by his daughter, Karen Brown and husband, Tim, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, grandsons, Zane, Redmon and Cole, great-grandson, Caden, brother Bobby and sister-in-law, Barbara of Floydada, brother, Bill and sister-in-law, Ann of Abilene, niece, Connie (Gilliland) Watson and husband, Nolan, nephew,

Micheal Gilliland and wife, Mary, nephew, Brandon Gilliland and wife, Rochelle (all of Lubbock), great-nieces and nephews, McKaleigh, Landry, Mason, Morgan, Molly, Allie, Justin and Andrew, aunt, Gayle Scott and husband, Jimmie of Tulia, lifelong friends, Waldo and Teri West and sons Beau and Dillon, and dozens and dozens of loving cousins and friends.

Butch was a printer for many years in Dallas and Lubbock, but left the profession in 1978, when he returned home to Floydada to take over the family's windmill repair business, which was started by his grandfather Birch and continued by his father Levis. Over the course of almost 40 years, Butch and his old windmill repair truck were fixtures on the Caprock, repairing hundreds (and maybe thousands) of windmills and pumps on farms and ranches across Floyd County and beyond. Butch and his trusty truck were featured on an episode of Texas Country Reporter in 2003.

He also worked for Cornelius Oil, delivering fuel to customers, and in his later years, he was the faithful caretaker of the



ELBERT DAVID "BUTCH" GILLILAND

Floydada Cemetery. Butch enjoyed volunteering at the Floydada Senior Citizens center several times a week, delivering meals and spending time with homebound seniors.

Butch never met a stranger, and loved everyone, especially his family. He always had a smile on his face, and the delights of his life were his daughter, his grandchildren and his great-grandson. They loved him dearly, and will miss him terribly.

One of his favorite events every year was his family reunion in Ruidoso, where he always made sure to make a stop at the horse races and visit the one-armed bandits. He was an avid fan of the Floydada Whirlwinds, the Texas Tech Red Raiders, and the Green Bay Packers.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations be made to the Floydada Senior Citizens Center, P.O. Box 573, Floydada, TX, 79235.

## Wit and Wisdom

By Charles Keaton  
The Hesperian-Beacon

Ambition is putting a ladder against the sky.  
—American Proverb

The universe is not required to be in perfect harmony with human ambition.  
—Carl Sagan

Ambition is a poor excuse for not having sense enough to be lazy.  
—Edgar Bergen

The nature of society is largely determined by the direction in which talent and ambition flow-by the tilt of the social landscape.  
—Eric Hoffer

Most people would succeed in small things if they were not troubled with great ambitions.  
—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Men are more often bribed by their loyalties and ambitions than by money.  
—Robert Jackson

It's delightful to have ambitions. I'm so glad I have such a lot. And there never seems to be any end to them—that's the best of it. Just as soon as you attain to one ambition you see another one glittering higher up still. It does make life so interesting.  
—L. M. Montgomery

A man without ambition is dead. A man with ambition but no love is dead. A man with ambition and love for his blessings here on earth is ever so alive. Having been alive, it won't be so hard in the end to lie down and rest.  
—Pearl Bailey

Ambition drove many men to become false; to have one thought locked in the breast, another ready on the tongue.  
—Sallust

## This week...1979



Brandon Covington, one year old son of Joe Covington and grandson of Jack and Tanya Covington, found a way to beat sizzling July afternoons. All he needed was a backyard of green grass, a hose of running water and a stainless steel roasting pan full of cool water.

Floyd County Hesperian Beacon July 12, 1979.

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

## "Focus!"

Seek first [your heavenly Father's] kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.  
—Matthew 6:33 (NIV)

While I was sitting on the couch visiting with my grandson, who had just finished his first semester of college, my five-year-old granddaughter brought me a book so I could read her a bedtime story. For a few minutes, I continued to listen to my grandson's tales of college life. But growing impatient, my granddaughter finally said, "Grandma! Focus!" We all had a good laugh, and then I read the story.

As I reflected on this the next day, I realized that listening to my grandson had been good, but at some point it was time for my focus to change to something else good. I wonder about the number of times that God might want to take hold of my

arm and say, "Ruth! Focus!" I am often busy with worthwhile activities — taking care of my family, teaching classes at church, and volunteering for other projects in the church and community. Sometimes I am so busy that I skip my devotions and quiet time with God. I approach my day with an agenda that leaves out God.

I believe that prioritizing time with God is what Jesus meant when he said to seek first the kingdom. Each of us can ask, "Is this where God wants me at this moment?" Putting our relationship with God first gives us the best possible perspective in life.

—Ruth Reazin (Kansas)

### TODAY'S PRAYER

Dear God, strengthen our faith. Help us trust in you and abide in your love even during times of struggle. Amen.

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**Aiken Baptist Church**  
Dennis Butler, Pastor  
Morning Worship...11 a.m.

**Bible Baptist Church**  
810 S. 3rd, Floydada  
Darwin Robinson, Pastor  
983-2578  
Sunday School...10 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.  
Wednesday - 7 p.m.

**Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship**  
Floydada  
Armando Morales, Pastor  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.  
Bible Study - 6 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening - 7 p.m.

**Carr's Chapel**  
Service Every Sunday  
Morning Worship - 9 a.m.  
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

**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.

**City Park Church of Christ**  
Matthew Benfield, Minister  
Floydada  
Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study - 7 p.m.

**First Baptist Church**  
Floydada  
Mark Snowden, Pastor  
Nathan Adams, Minister of Students and Discipleship  
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.

**First Baptist Church**  
Lockney

Joseph Tillery, Pastor  
Chad Cook, Youth Min.  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.  
Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.

**First United Methodist Church**  
Floydada  
Rev. Ken Peterson, Pastor  
Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School - 10:50 a.m.  
Youth (Sunday) - 6:30 p.m.

**First United Methodist Church**  
Lockney  
Rev. Ricky Carsensen, Pastor  
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Service - 6 p.m.  
Wed. Jr. High - 5:30 p.m.  
Wed High School - 6:30 p.m.

**Grant Chapel Church of God In Christ**  
Joe Bennett, Pastor  
Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday - 8 p.m.  
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

**Main Street Church of Christ**  
Lockney  
James Blair, Minister  
Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

**Mt. Zion Baptist Church**  
Floydada  
Rev. Timothy Askey  
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Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.  
Wednesday Study - 6 p.m.

**New Salem Primitive Baptist Church**  
Floydada  
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges  
(806) 637-0430  
Sunday Singing - 10:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

**Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church**

310 Mississippi  
Floydada  
Rev David Ramos, Pastor  
Ester Ramos, Praise Leader  
Sunday Bible - 10 a.m.  
Morning Praise - 11 a.m.  
Evening Praise 5 - p.m.  
Wed Worship - 7 p.m.

**Power of Praise Full Gospel Church**  
Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor  
704 B Main, Lockney  
Sunday Services - 10 a.m.  
Sunday Evening - 5 p.m.  
Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

**Primera Iglesia Bautista**  
Lockney  
Jesus Caballero, Pastor  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service - 11 a.m.  
Discipleship - 5 p.m.  
Wed. Service - 7 p.m.

**Primera Iglesia Bautista**  
Floydada  
Rev. Toby Gonzales  
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:40 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.  
Wed Evening - 7 p.m.

**San Jose Catholic Church**  
Lockney  
Fr. Arockia Dhass Jeganathan  
Sun - 9 a.m. Children Bible study  
10 a.m. - Mass  
Wed. - 6 p.m. - Faith Formation - CYO to follow  
Thurs. - 6:30 pm- Evening Mass

**South Plains Baptist Church**  
Dan Beaty, Pastor  
Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

**Templo Getsemani Assembly of God**  
701 W. Missouri  
Joe M. Hernandez  
983-5286 (Church)  
Sunday School  
English - 9:45 a.m.  
Spanish - 11 a.m.  
Worship  
Spanish - 9:30 a.m.  
English - 11 a.m.

Evening Service 5 p.m.  
Wednesday 7 p.m.

**St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church**  
Floydada  
Rev. Ruban Selvaraj  
983-5878  
Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m.  
Mon. & Wed. Mass - 6:30 p.m.  
Confession Sat - 10-11 a.m.

**Templo Bautista Salem**  
Lockney  
Rev. Joe Hernandez  
Bun Prayer Service - 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service - 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.  
Wed. Meeting - 7 p.m.

**Templo Bethel Spanish Assembly of God**  
Washington And 1st St.  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 5 p.m.  
Wed Service - 7 p.m.

**Templo Nueva Vida**  
Rev. Herman Martinez  
Co-Pastor Gilbert Flores  
308 W. Tennessee, Floydada  
Sunday School - 10:00 A.M.  
Evening Worship - 5:00 P.M.  
Wednesday Service - 7:00 P.M.

**Trinity Assembly**  
500 W. Houston  
Kari & Justin Brown, Pastors  
983-5499  
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Evening - 6 p.m.

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
Providence Community On Fm 2301  
293-3009  
Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11 - a.m.

**West Side Church of Christ**  
Floydada  
983-2672 Or 470-0950  
Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.

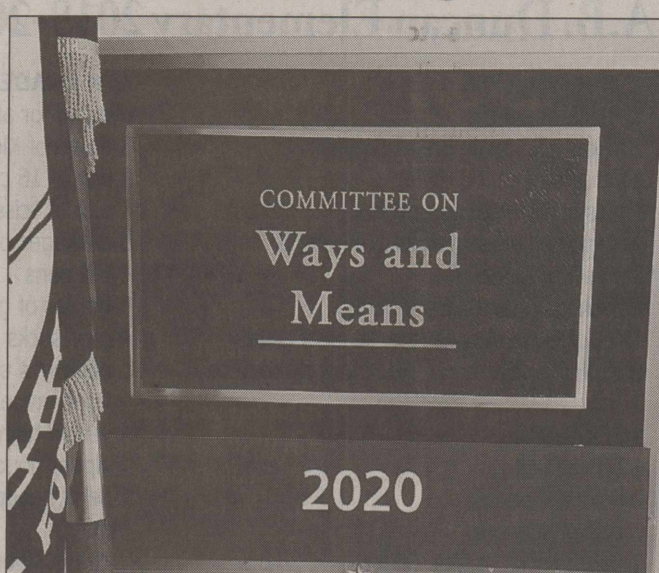
# AGRICULTURE

## Recent Tax Cuts Benefiting Farms of All Sizes

By Tony St. James  
www.ALLAgNews.com

(WASHINGTON, DC) In 2016, family farm households faced an estimated income tax rate of 17.2 percent on average. However, the recently passed Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) of 2017 eliminates or modifies many itemized deductions and tax credits, while lowering tax rates on individual and business income. The legislation also expands some business provisions.

Had it been in place in 2016, the Economic Research Service estimates that family farm households would have faced a lower average income tax rate of 13.9 percent. The effects would vary by farm size, with the greatest reduction for households operating midsized farms. The average income tax rate for households of



midsized farms would have decreased by 5.8 percentage points. By comparison, the average income tax rate for households operating large farms would have decreased by 3.4 percentage points, for small farms by 3.0 percentage points.

The expansion of the standard deduction is the

primary reason households operating smaller farms are estimated to face lower income tax rates, while those operating large farms benefit more from reductions in individual tax rates and a new provision allowing a portion of farm income to be excluded from household taxable income (income

from farming is taxed at the individual level for family farms). Midsized farms are expected to benefit from all these provisions.

The Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, Rep. Kevin Brady (TX-R) tells All Ag News that in agriculture which includes many small entrepreneurs "that are the backbone of our country, there's a new 20 percent deduction for our farmers and small businesses. We make sure every farm - no matter what size - can immediately write off the cost of that equipment." In addition, he says they worked hard to eliminate the Estate Tax (also known as the Death Tax) but were unable to do so in the Conference Committee with the Senate. "I haven't given up on the thought that someday we'll finally put that Death Tax to bed once and for all."



I was out in our mini-corn field this week, praising the plants for kicking into high-gear and shooting skyward in recent days; however, Terry mentioned that the Indian Corn had no ears growing. Oh Snap! I had harvested seed from last year's crop, because that is what I was taught to do. Sadly, I realized that the seed from 2017 was probably hybrid. So much for having colorful ears with which to decorate this year. Could I possibly plant this late and still get a crop in this growing season? I think I may have to try.

My squash patch is literally spilling over the sides of my keyhole garden. The Spaghetti squash is putting on yellow orbs-I counted five the size of my fist; the yellow squash is producing about one squash a day. Interestingly, we ate one of these yellow-crook-neck veggies for supper one day this week, and the skin was so tough! I didn't know yellow squash did that with young fruit. It makes me wonder what I actually planted.

I did notice that my volunteer tomato that is in the squash patch seems to be growing at a normal rate. I truly have no idea what kind it is or what to expect, but with my tomato-plant problems this year, I'll certainly take a spy, little volunteer.

After yanking out my crazy-weird tomatoes I had initially planted, my "Salsa Garden" is a bit bare. Thankfully, I had planted a salad mix and ruffled kale as ground-covers and they are doing exceptionally well. This kale is not as tough as the lettuce-type kale. It's fan-shaped leaves are easy to pick, de-vein, and throw into soups, salads, or onto pizza. My mouth waters with the possibilities!

The peppers that seemed to be struggling early on, look to be on the mend and putting on fruit. I have a menagerie of types, but I did recognize a bell pepper hanging off a branch, a few jalapenos dangling under leaves, and I know, somewhere, I have one or two banana pepper plants. Apparently, they are not in the production mode yet.

We did get to pick two cucumbers this week...I'm wondering why

so few, but there are a lot of blooms. Perhaps I am just impatient. The two we picked were gobbled up quickly, so I feel that I chose the right variety this year.

My watermelon and cantaloupe plants are having a contest as to which one can grow the longest shoot. I do have some blooms, but no fruit. It might be time to pinch off a few blooms to encourage the growth of some produce.

On to my vining okra-it is climbing all over its trellis and popping with blooms. Hopefully, we will start seeing some pods soon.

The carrots are just in the ground. I wondered if it would make a difference if I chopped off the greens on the carrots to encourage them to put their resources into the roots. Now, half of my carrots have tops and half of them are buzzed. Time will tell if the 'haircut' makes a difference.

An article on Facebook caught my attention: "Ten Things Your Mom and Grandma Would Never Throw Out." Number Three was 'garden seeds.' I am still brooding about heirloom and hybrid varieties. However, I do plan to be a bit more attentive when choosing seeds for next year's planting. I suspect, that I will always save seeds because that is what I was taught. Hopefully, I will be able to be more selective in the future.

I am very interested in what is coming up in your gardens. Send me photos and descriptions at deon@blackburnmediagroup.com.

## Local Cotton Grower 'calls out' Nordstrom on Facebook



Would you buy "fake" dirty jeans? For \$450??

A South Plains farmer responded to Nordstrom's 'heavily distressed' jeans that have a 'caked-on muddy coating,' with a social media post, including images of his own jeans with actual dirt on them. Left image from CNN, right image from Jeremy Brown, Dickens County, TX.

Special to the Hesperian Beacon

ODONNELL, TX - A South Plains cotton farmer ridiculed Nordstrom, by posting photos of his jeans covered in mud. Along with the photos, he included a statement about the nationwide retailer's jeans for sale that are "heavily distressed" and look like they have mud caked on them.

Jeremy Brown said he posted the message in order to educate consumers and companies about where their products come from.

The jeans, available on Nordstrom.com, sell for \$425, were described on the site as "Heavily distressed medium-blue denim jeans in a comfortable straight-leg fit embody rugged, Americana workwear that's seen some hard-working action with a crackled, caked-on muddy coating that shows you're not afraid to get down and dirty."

"Hey Nordstrom! I would be glad to sell you these jeans for \$450," Brown wrote on Facebook. "These jeans are actually worn by a real American Cotton Grower that you pay maybe \$0.65 a pound for the lint. If you don't know, an average bale of cotton weighs

500 pounds. You can make 215 jeans out of one bale of cotton. Doesn't take a mathematician to see who is not getting a good deal. Support the American Farmer and buy more cotton!"

Brown told EverythingLubbock.com that his wife's response to his post was his favorite.

"She said, 'I'm proud of the fact that my husband doesn't have to buy jeans to make it look like he's worked hard. He comes home with them dirty because I know that he's worked hard,'" Brown explained.

"I love being a farmer, I love what I do," Brown added. "There's a lot of hardworking men and women, we provide a safe food and fiber source for the American people, and beyond."

He said people will often "forget the people that actually grew the crop," or in Brown's case, the fiber.

Brown mentioned he was "just trying to make fun with it, but at the same time, educate the general public."

<https://www.everythinglubbock.com/news/kamc-news/local-cotton-farmer-responds-to-nordstroms-muddy-jeans/701574757>

## Ag Guest Worker Overhaul Alive, Despite Recent Setbacks

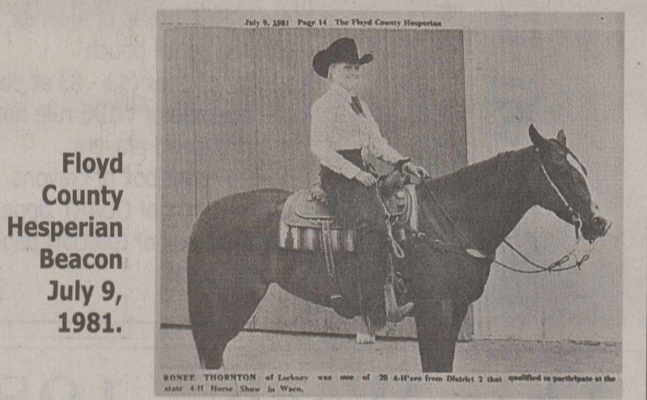
By Tony St. James  
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(WASHINGTON, DC) After two failed attempts to conquer the challenge of comprehensive immigration reform, some might believe it's the end of the road for this Congress. However, one key component of both bills - an ag guest worker program overhaul - is still alive. Rep. Dan Newhouse (WA-R) is a farmer and former member of the House Agriculture Committee who has been advocating for improvements to the current program. Thanks

to a promise from Rep. Paul Ryan (WI-R), the Speaker of the House, Newhouse will get another vote on the issue before the House adjourns for their August recess.

The leading legislation has been included in the two previous failed overhaul attempts but could be attached to another bill or presented to the House as stand-alone legislation. Authored by Rep. Bob Goodlatte, the bill would replace the current H-2A program with an H-2C program that many in agriculture say will be better for workers and employers alike.

## This week...1981



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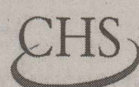


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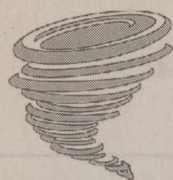
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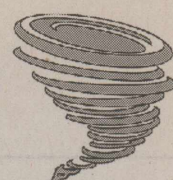
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## Mrs. Alejandra Ramirez



Floydada High School, Agriculture Sciences, Grade 9-12

**How many years have you been teaching in FISD?** 2 years  
**What is your favorite cafeteria food?** Enchiladas  
**Your favorite afternoon "pick-me-up" snack?** Beef jerky and green tea

**As a student, who was your favorite teacher and why?** Mrs. Brockman, my history teacher. Her passion for teaching and care for students showed how great of a teacher she was.

**Name one "thing" on your bucket-list that you still have to do:** Go to Australia

**Where is your "happy place"?** Anywhere when I'm with friends and family.

**Away from the classroom, what is/are your hobby/hobbies?** Restoring furniture

**What is your favorite teaching "prop"?** Welding Helmet  
 If you could study one more topic, what would that be?  
 European History

**What country would you like to visit?** England

## South Plains College to host Cotton Country Sprint Triathlon

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND – South Plains College will host the Cotton Country Sprint Triathlon on Sept. 15. The event will feature a 5k run, 13 mile bike and 300 yard pool swim. Racers will meet at the Natatorium. Participants can pick up their packets at 7:30 a.m. The race starts at 9 a.m.

The cost is \$55 for individuals; and \$90 per team. Extra lunches will cost \$6. A \$10 late fee will be added after Sept. 1.

Online registration is available at [www.active.com](http://www.active.com).

For more information, contact Dee Dee Odorizzi, Complex Director, at (806) 716-2236 or email [dodorizzi@southplainscollege.edu](mailto:dodorizzi@southplainscollege.edu).

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## A.B. Duncan Elementary 2018-2019 Supply Lists

### KINDERGARTEN

- 12 pack of pencils
- 2 boxes of Crayola Brand Crayons
- 24 glue sticks
- 2 plastic folders with pockets
- 4- Expo dry erase markers (all black)
- 2 boxes of Kleenex
- 1 backpack (please no wheels)
- 1 set of extra clothes (please label clearly with first & last name, place in a zip-lock bag)

### 1ST GRADE

- 1 School Box
- 2 boxes of pencils
- 1 pair of scissors
- 2 Large Packs of Glue Sticks
- 2 boxes of crayons 24 count
- 2 large boxes of Kleenex
- 1 spiral
- 2 Plastic Folders
- 2 large pink erasers
- 2 composition notebooks
- 1 pair of headphones
- 2 Large tubs of Clorox wipes
- BOYS- 1 box gallon size baggies
- GIRLS- 1 box quart size baggies

### 2ND GRADE

- 2- packages Crayons
- 24- Wooden #2 pencils
- 1-pair Fiskar Scissors
- 4- Large count Kleenex
- 3-Pocket folders (red, blue, green)
- 1-zipper pouch or box
- 24-glues sticks
- 1-box colored pencils
- 2-big erasers
- 3- composition notebooks
- 1-1" Binder
- 2- Dry Erase Markers
- Girls: 1 Box of GALLON ziplock bags
- Boys: 1 QUART ziplock bags
- 2- pair headphones

### 3RD GRADE

- 3- composition books (100 pages)
- 1 - spiral
- 40 - pencils (preferably Ticonderoga / America's Pencil / The Write Dude - all found at Walmart)
- 2 - plastic folder with brads ANY COLOR
- 10 -glue sticks
- 1 -glue bottle (8 oz.)
- 2 - highlighters
- 4 - dry erase markers
- 2 - red grading pens
- 4 - LARGE boxes of Kleenex
- 3 holed pencil pouch
- 2 - ear phones (\$2 - \$3 at dollar store)
- 1 - package of WIDE rule notebook paper
- 4 - pink pearl erasers
- 1 - 24 count box of crayons
- Girls - 1 box of QUART zipper baggies
- Boys - 1 box of GALLON baggies
- 1- Backpack

### 4TH GRADE

- Needed for all classes:
- 3 boxes of Kleenex
- 1 box of 16 count crayons
- 1 pair of scissors
- 5 packages of 12 pencils
- 6 red pens
- 1 bottles of glue
- 4 glue sticks
- 1 packages of notebook paper -wide ruled
- 2 large erasers
- 4 yellow highlighters
- 1 zipper pouch for supplies
- 1 set if headphones
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- 1 composition notebook
- 1 poly/plastic folder
- 1 black sharpie
- Reading/ELA:
- 1 composition notebook
- 1 folder
- 2 dry erase markers
- Science/Social Studies:
- 2 composition notebooks
- 1 poly/plastic folder
- 3 individual rolls of tape

### 5TH GRADE

- 4 Composition Notebooks-100 pages each
- 1 bottle of glue
- 1 pair of scissors
- 2 glue sticks
- 1 package of crayons
- 2 packages of colored pencils
- 4 folders with pockets and brads
- 3 boxes of pencils
- 2 packages of notebook paper
- Headphones
- 3 boxes of Kleenex
- Highlighters
- 2 dry eraser markers
- 2 rolls of scotch tape
- 1 Sharpie

### 6TH GRADE

- 3 - Boxes of Kleenex
- 2 - Boxes of Colored Pencils
- 3 - Boxes #2 Pencils
- 2 - Fine Tip Sharpies
- 2 - Dry Erase Markers
- 5 - Folders with Pockets and Brads
- 2 - Packages of Notebook Paper
- 5 - Composition Notebooks
- 1 - Spiral Notebook
- Erasers
- 1 - Bottle of Glue
- 3 - Glue Sticks
- Scissors
- Highlighters
- 4 - Rolls of Scotch Tape
- Ruler
- 1 - Box Crayons
- 1 - Box Markers
- Headphones

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## This Week...1989

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**ATTENDING CHEERLEADING CAMP**—A little cheerleading camp is in progress this week at Floydada High School. The varsity cheerleaders are teaching cheers, chants and stunts they learned at cheerleading camp to an enthusiastic group of little cheerleaders from ages 5 through 12. Also attending are the junior varsity

and junior high cheerleaders. Participants included Jeanie Ochoa, Reagan Pernell, Missy Pernell, Jodie Villarreal, Amanda Green, Christy Adams, Lyndi Probasco, Lindsey Reddy, Kylan Sanders, Mandy Emert, Amanda Garcia, Tiffany Henderson, Lily Harris, Ila Harris, Lacy Golightly, Randi Duke and Heather Carr. --Staff Photo

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# Lockney Longhorns

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## Lockney Elementary School Supply Lists 2018-2019

**PPCD/PK**  
6 boxes 8 ct. Crayola brand crayons (NO JUMBO)  
1 small school box  
1 pair metal Fiskar's children's scissors (rounded ends)  
6 glue sticks  
3 large boxes Kleenex  
2 container Clorox Disinfecting Wipes (75 count)  
4 pack of play-dough  
1-12oz hand sanitizer  
1 pkg 3x5 lined index cards  
1 kinder nap mat

**NO BACKPACKS WITH WHEELS PLEASE LABEL ALL SUPPLIES**

**KINDERGARTEN**  
10 glue sticks  
2 boxes, 24 count crayons  
2-4 oz. Elmer's washable school glue (black label, no gel)  
1 pair metal Fiskar's children's scissors (rounded ends, not sharp)  
1 #2 pencils, no jumbo  
1 school box (small)  
1 folder with pockets  
3 boxes Kleenex (175 count)  
3 container Clorox disinfecting wipes  
1 box Ziploc bags (girls- freezer gallon size, boys- freezer quart size)  
1 single subject spiral notebook  
1 bottle of germ-x

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**\*GOOD RUNNING SHOES FOR PE**

**First Grade**  
6 glue sticks  
3 large boxes Kleenex  
1 box 24ct. #2 yellow pencils  
1 pair children's scissors  
3-24ct. boxes Crayola crayons  
3 containers Clorox Disinfecting Wipe  
1 School box  
1 spiral notebook  
4 pack dry erase markers

Boys-1 box sandwich bags  
Girls-1 box of gallon bags

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**\*GOOD RUNNING SHOES FOR PE**

**Second Grade**  
4 glue sticks  
3 large boxes Kleenex  
2 pkgs. #2 pencils (plain yellow ones)  
1 pair children's Fiskar scissors  
4 fine tip dry erase markers-low odor  
Pencil top erasers (1 dozen)  
1 container Clorox Disinfecting Wipes  
3- 16ct. boxes Crayola crayons  
1 supply box  
Hand-held pencil sharpener  
3 one subject spirals (1for math)  
1 box map colors  
Girls- quart ziploc bags  
Boys-gallon ziploc bags

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**\*GOOD RUNNING SHOES FOR PE**

**Third Grade**  
2 spiral notebooks  
1-1 in binder  
2 boxes of #2 pencil (no mechanical)  
2 pkg map colors  
4 pack expo markers  
6 glue sticks  
1 large bottle glue  
1 pair children's scissors  
1 zipper pouch (large 3 ring)  
3 lrg boxes of Kleenex  
3 container Clorox wipes  
Girls- sandwich size ziploc bags  
Boys-quart ziploc bags  
1 roll paper towels  
1-24 ct crayons  
1.8 pack classic markers  
2-pocket folders w/brads (red & yellow)  
4 highlighters  
Pencil cap erasers  
2-composition notebooks (100 pgs)  
2 red pens

**\*GOOD RUNNING SHOES FOR PE**

**Fourth Grade**  
1 dry erase eraser  
1 large pink eraser  
1 folder w/brads & pockets  
3 highlighter markers  
3 spiral notebooks 70 pages -no perforated pages  
3 glue sticks  
3 pkgs. wide ruled notebook paper  
#2 pencils -no mechanical pencils  
1 pair children's sharp point scissors  
1 container Clorox Disinfecting Wipes  
1 large zipper pouch  
3 boxes Kleenex  
1 box map colors  
2 composition notebooks  
1.2 subject spiral  
1-2 pkg scotch tape

**\*GOOD RUNNING SHOES FOR PE**

**Fifth Grade**  
1 large 3 hole zipper pouch  
2 pkgs. wide rule notebook paper - 200 count  
Crayons  
Map colors  
1pair Fiskar's sharp point scissors  
6 white glue sticks/1 bottle large glue  
3 large boxes Kleenex  
1 container Clorox Disinfecting Wipes-large  
1 box of #2 pencils  
2 folders with pockets and brads  
1 small personal pencil sharpener  
4 Highlighter markers  
3 composition notebooks (100 pages)  
4 dry erase markers  
Yoga mat/towel for reading

**\*GOOD RUNNING SHOES FOR PE**

**PLEASE MARK ALL SUPPLIES WITH STUDENT'S FIRST AND LAST NAME**

## Manadatory State Immunizations for School-Age Children

The following is a highlight of adopted revisions to rules for school and child-care facility immunization requirements:

- Meningococcal Vaccine\*
- Beginning SY 2009-10, 7th grade requirement
- Varicella Vaccine
- Beginning School Year (SY) 2009-10, 2-dose requirement for kindergarten and 7th grade entry
- Tdap Vaccine
- Beginning SY 2009-10, a booster dose requirement for Tdap for 7th grade
- MMR Vaccine
- Beginning SY 2009-10, 2 dose requirement of MMR vaccine for kindergarten entry
- Hepatitis A Vaccine
- Beginning SY 2009-10, 2-dose requirement for kindergarten entry statewide

Please see that children are up-to-date on all immunizations before the new school year begins.

## Mrs. Naomi Jones

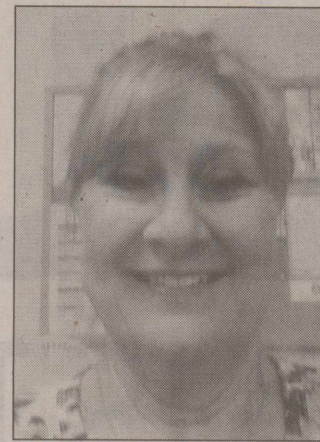


Administration Office- Lockney ISD

**How many years have you been teaching in LISD?** I have worked at Lockney ISD for 33 years.  
**What is your favorite cafeteria food?** The cafeteria always serves the teachers a breakfast every year on the first day back and they always do a great job with that.  
**Your favorite afternoon "pick-me-up" snack?** Fruit  
**As a student, who was your favorite teacher and why?**

I had several favorite teachers. I loved school and several teachers treated the students with respect and love. They were always my favorites.  
**Name one "thing" on your bucket-list that you still have to do:** I don't really have a bucket-list.  
**Where is your "happy place"?** Home  
**Away from the classroom, what is/are your hobby/hobbies?** Bible Study  
**If you could study one more topic, what would that be?** I never tire of studying the Bible.  
**What country would you like to visit?** I like to visit different countries, so any country I haven't been to before. Or, I always like to go to China and see my kids!

## Tammie Mitchell



Lockney ISD Administration

6th grade World Geography Head Baseball Coach at Lockney ISD

**How many years have you been teaching in LISD?** One year  
**What is your favorite cafeteria food?** Turkey and dressing  
**Your favorite afternoon "pick-me-up" snack?** Red velvet cake  
**As a student, who was your favorite teacher and why?**

Mrs. Hallmark, she was always happy and treated students with kindness and respect.  
**Name one "thing" on your bucket-list that you still have to do:** Travel more  
**Where is your "happy place"?** Visiting my grand kids  
**Away from the classroom, what is/are your hobby/hobbies?** Refinishing furniture  
**If you could study one more topic, what would that be?** History  
**What country would you like to visit?** Bora Bora

## St. Mary Magdalen Jamaica Fun For All

By Deon Fincher  
The Hesperian Beacon

### Jamaica Car Show Entries



Deon Fincher/Hesperian Beacon

A small selection of the cars entered into the St. Mary Magdalen's Jamaica Car Show. Winners are listed in the main story.

Parking on Wall Street was minimal Saturday, July 7, as the St. Mary Magdalen Jamaica celebration spilled into the streets. Jamaica is the primary fundraiser for the church to assist in covering operating expenses and it allows for funds to be put aside for building improvements.

Activities were on-going all day and into the night: Games and contests during the day--music in the nighttime hours. For authentic food--there is no better place than those individuals selling tacos, burritos and numerous other delights.

Each year a talent show is judged. The results for that show area as follows: 1st Place-Josiah Ibarra; 2nd Place-Monze Davila and Jalila Ramirez; 3rd Place-Roxanna Nieves.

No event would be complete without a pageant. Themed as "Day at the Beach" the judges had to choose from numerous entrants in several classes: In the Infant Baby-Grace Ibarra; Tiny Miss-Noni Ramirez; Little Miss-Monzi Davila; Jr. Miss-Eva Gonzales; and

Miss "Day at the Beach"-Isabelle Gonzales.

This year's event incorporated a car show. Maricella Reyna, organizer for the car show, stated, "Everyone brings their cars anyway!" The results of the car show are as follows: Classic Cars-1st Place-Lorenzo Ruben Reyna; 2nd Place-Lorenzo Reyna; 3rd Place-Donald Gibbons. Low-Rider-1st Place-Joe Angel Torrez; 2nd Place-Juan Garcia; 3rd Place-Martin Garcia. In the Truck class: 1st Place-Ruben Jr. DeLeon; 2nd Place-Ethan Ibarra; 3rd Place-Jesse James Ibarra.

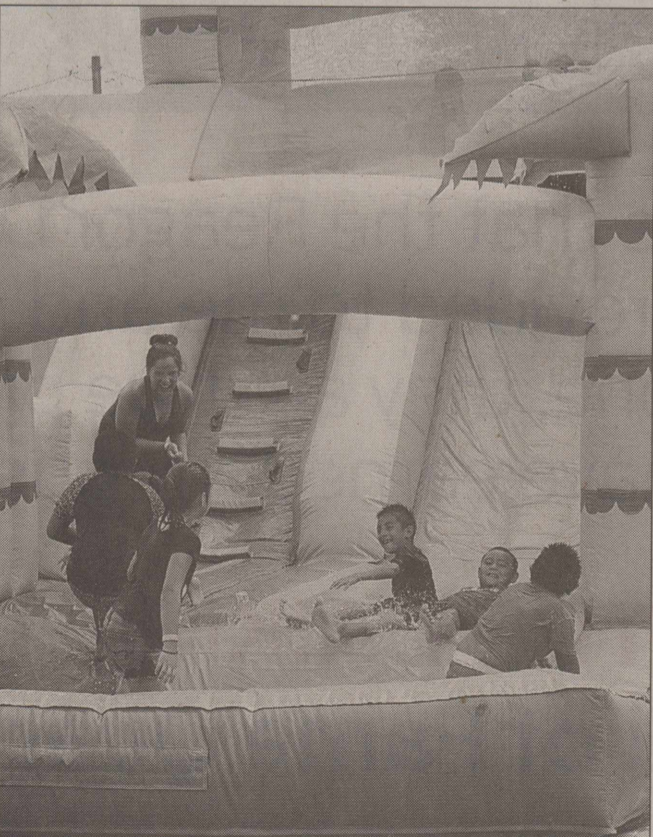
## "Day at the Beach" Jamaica Pageant Winners



Courtesy Photo

Back row (L to R): Kali Ramirez, Miss Jamaica-Isabell Gonzales, Jr. Miss Jamaica-Ava Gonzales, Infant/Baby Jamaica-Grace Ibarra; Front row (L to R): Tiny Miss Jamaica-Noni Ramirez, Jalila Ramirez, Monzi Ramirez, and Natalie Garza.

## Jamaica Fun for All



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The water slide at the Jamaica celebration was, sometimes, double-the-fun.

## Jamaica Talent Show Winners



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Talent Show Winners: (L to R) 2nd Place-Jalila Ramirez and Monze Davila, 1st Place-Josiah Ibarra. Not pictured: 3rd Place-Roxanna Nieves.

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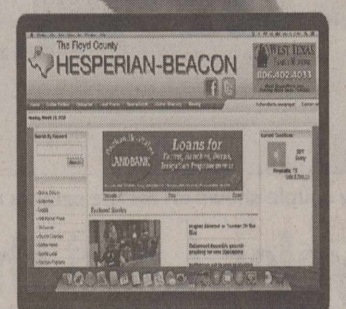
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Administration of the Estate of NINA VEE SANDERS, Deceased, has been commenced by the issuance of original Letters Testamentary to Barbara Renee Scott, on the 6th day of July, 2018, in the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, acting in Cause No. 6074 styled the Estate of NINA VEE SANDERS, Deceased in which court the case is pending.

All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby notified to present them within the time prescribed by law. The address to which claims may be presented is:

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Floydada, Texas 79235  
(806) 983-4924

Attorney for Independent Executors

DATED the 6th day of July, 2018.

Lex S. Herrington

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FILED WITH THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

PUC DOCKET NO. 48418

On May 31, 2018, Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("LEC") and Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") (collectively, "Applicants") filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC" or "Commission") for regulatory approvals pursuant to PURA §§ 37.056 and 37.154. The docket number and style of this application are Docket No. 48418, *Joint Application of Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Southwestern Public Service Company to Transfer Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Rights*. LEC and SPS are engaged in the transmission of electricity under certificates of convenience and necessity ("CCNs").

LEC and SPS have executed an agreement under which, subject to regulatory approval, SPS has agreed to purchase an approximately 6-mile segment of LEC's 69 kilovolt ("kV") transmission line, right-of-way easements associated with the facilities, as well as the certificate rights thereto (collectively referred to as the "Facilities"). Subject to regulatory approval, SPS will hold legal title to the assets and plans to use the Facilities to service distribution and wholesale customers.

In their application, LEC and SPS request that the Commission approve their proposal in which LEC will transfer to SPS, LEC's existing CCN rights concerning the Facilities; find the transfer of the Facilities from LEC to SPS is consistent with the public interest; and amend LEC and SPS's respective CCNs to facilitate the transfer of the Facilities. No new facilities are being sought in this filing, nor are the boundaries of SPS's or LEC's service areas affected by this filing.

A copy of the application is kept at LEC's office at 703 A Hwy 70 E, Floydada, TX 79235 and at the office of LEC's legal representative, Gary McLaren and Phillips & McLaren, at 2708 82nd Street, Lubbock, Texas 79423, (806) 788-0609 (Telephone), 806-785-2521 (Facsimile). In addition, a copy of the application may be obtained by contacting Annette Gallegos at SPS, 790 S. Buchanan Street, Amarillo, TX 79101 or by calling 1-800-895-4999 during normal business hours.

Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon the action sought, should mail their requests to intervene or their comments (along with 10 copies of your letter) to: Public Utility Commission of Texas, Central Records, Attn: Filing Clerk, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. The deadline for intervention in this proceeding is July 16, 2018 and the Commission should receive a letter requesting intervention no later than that date. To obtain additional information about this case, contact the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones ("TTY") may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136.

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# Lockney's Bike Parade Rolls On

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Lockney's Fourth of July Bike Parade is a tradition much older than many of the participants.

"Nobody knows for sure when it got started, but give or take a year or two, it's been going on for about 30 years," stated Cathy Hunter.

Initially, there were about ten bicycles and a go-cart. "It used to be just a neighborhood parade around a few blocks where we lived," she added, "and it's just grown from there. Last year we had four retired ladies in their golf cart all dressed up--there is no age limit. Anyone can participate."

Second generation-participants, the Griffith Family of Amarillo, travel to Lockney every year for the Fourth of July.

"It's a family affair--all of us come!" stated Lindsey Griffith as she finalized the decorations on the 4-wheeler, and the kids in the back. The Griffins come from Rick and Linda Griffith and Mike and Ginger Mathis, both of Lockney. A total of six Griffin/Mathis descendants participated in this year's parade.

Sal Naranjo, Jr. straddled a 4-Wheeler as he waited for 'his passengers.' At nine years old, he doesn't have a driver license but promised that he would keep his sister, Kema Michelle Naranjo, safe.

Jennifer Salazar was putting on the finishing touch-

es for driver, Ashton Salazar and passenger, Joel Angel Salazar. The boys didn't say much-- just waited for the 'go-ahead' to line up.

This year was Micah Wilson's first 4th of July. She's just seven-weeks old. Her big sisters, Jill and Ali were decked out in red, white and blue and stars and stripes. Proud grandparents of the girls are Karen and Aaron Wilson.

The bicycles gathered together and trickled out of the parking lot with the 4-wheelers following. A pair of dogs zig-zagged in between the pedal-ers. There were no decorations on the dogs; it became apparent that their participation was an impromptu one.

Bicycles, streamers, balloons, flags, 4-wheelers, kiddos and even one or two fire trucks and police vehicles moved down Lockney's Main Street in celebration of community.

Last, but certainly, not least, Lockney's favorite fast-pitch softball team entered the street carrying their 2018 Championship Junior Softball banner. These girls boast a 25-3-1 record and are headed to the State contests in mid-July.

Much more than ten bicycles and a go-cart, this parade is one that little ones look forward to and 'older ones' look back on with fond memories. Lockney's 2018 July 4th Bicycle Parade was fun for all.

## Another one in the history books



The Bicycle Parade stretched from the parking lot of the Mainstreet Church of Christ all the way up to the heart of Lockney's downtown.

## 4-Wheelers, ATVs and golf carts



This happy couple shows off for the camera as the driver receives a well-deserved kiss--perhaps for his excellent ATV driving skills.

## Bicycles Lead the Parade



A horde of patriotically decorated bicycles follow the fire truck onto the Parade Grounds of the 2018 4th of July Bicycle Parade in Lockney.

## Naranjo Family Entry



Sal Naranjo, Jr. (9 yrs old) gets ready to drive his 4-wheeler in the parade. He promised to keep his sister, Kema Michelle Naranjo (4 yrs old) safe--although he admitted to not having any type of driver license. Parents are Salvador and Jessica Naranjo.

## Griffith/Mathis Families' Entry



The grandkids of Rick and Linda Griffith and Mike and Ginger Mathis of Lockney: (L to R) Calden Griffith, Carley Griffith, Collin Mathis, Brody Mathis Evelyn Mathis and Caragen Griffith.

## Wilson Family Entry



Lockney's 2018 4th of July Bicycle Parade was a new experience for seven-week-old Micah Miller, and although it was her first, it most certainly won't be her last. Sisters Jill and Ali Wilson showed off their baby sister before the parade got started. Grandparents are Aaron and Ginger Wilson.

## Salazar Family Entry



Ashton Salazar and Joe Angel Salazar get ready to join the line-up for Wednesday's Fourth of July Bicycle Parade. Jennifer Salazar was the creative director of this entry.

## MISFITS

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instead of batting.

The All-Star games were scheduled for June 19 and 22. The Misfits beat their first challengers, Ralls 18 - 2; Slaton fell to the Misfits with a score of 9-5. The All-Star Champions were crowned.

The All-Star championship qualified the team to play in the Sectionals--a three-game series pitting the girls against Borger in a best of three contest. Playing in the heat and the dust the Misfits took the first game with a score of 15-5. The second game gave them a Sectional Title Champ, as they rolled over Borger scoring 28 runs to 4.

The Misfits qualified for State!

"Words can't express the way I feel about this team. I have watched them not only become better softball players but become sisters," said Coach Francisco Hernandez. "Every day and every game that

passes we see improvements. They now look at what batter they have coming up, and they make adjustments to that batter."

The State Tournament is on their schedule for July 14, at 8 pm, at Kirby Field in Abilene, Texas. Traveling expenses are critical allowing for all of the team members to compete. The coaches have organized a raffle to take care of those expenses. Once again, this team is working together to overcome any hurdles that may get in their way.

Raffle Tickets are available by contacting Coach Frank Hernandez at (806)983-9514. For \$10 for one ticket, or \$25 for three tickets, this team will be able to focus on the game playing. YETI cooler, Diva Nail Salon certificates, Chili's Gift Cards, and gift cards for Just for the Health of It Nutrition in Plainview will be raffled.