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## Rock Painting



Courtesy Photo

The latest craze now is rock painting and then to hide them for others to find. The rocks are to spread happy and positive thoughts. Shown are the kids and adults in Floyd County that have painted and hidden



their rocks. They are (Back row, l-r) Brittney Duniven, Brinley Lefevre, Hayden Lefevre, Avery McInvale, Marijon Pernell, Tessa Rogers; (Front row, l-r) Drew Pernell, Carter Duniven, Davis Duniven, Gavin Pernell, Scout Rogers, Teagan Rogers, and Remi Rogers.

By Beth Bramlet

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Looking for a fun, easy and unique way to spread happiness and make someone smile? The latest craze to sweep the country has artists of all ages spreading happy thoughts by way of painted rocks. The idea is simple—paint something inspiring or cheerful on a rock and leave it for someone else to find. That's just what a group of Floyd County kids and adults did. They spent the

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## Floyd County's newest Deputy



Courtesy Photo

Judge Marty Lucke swears-in the newest Floyd County Deputy. Deputy Alberto Soto-Gonzalez is a Retired Army Veteran with extensive experience in policing. He and his family live in Lockney.

## 40th Reunion for FHS's Class of 1978



Courtesy Photo

Top Standing L-R: Atha Blake Sue, Jim Potts, Jill Poage Jones. Back Row L-R Shannon Norris, Jim Finley, Monty Smitherman, Sheldon Sue, Rick Strange, Susan Stovall Ball, Teresa Stewart Lutrick, Donna Reid Kraybill, Kelli Lyons Reddy, Shawnda Hefflin Greer, Kelly Hagood Fischer, Valynda Chandler, Mitzi Hale Nixon. Seated L-R Kerry Pratt, Beverly Black Collins, Roijon Adams Johnson, Rosemary Hardin Finley, Bill Starkey, Kathy Davis Calvin, Terry Gilmore, Kenneth Cox, Lori Young King, Jack Carthel. Seated floor L- R: Larry Jones, Jon Jones

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## Old Fashioned Saturday delights!



Authors

Deon Fincher/Hesperian Beacon

Some of Floyd County's authors were available for book signings and sales during Old Fashioned Saturday. Covering several different genres, the authors are published in children's books, historical non-fiction, memoir, fiction, and non-fiction Drama/Crime. Pictured: (L to R) Sherry Heitzenrater, Connie Johnson, and Jim Doucette.

By Deon Fincher

The Hesperian-Beacon

Crowds braved the heat during Lockney's Annual Old Fashioned Saturday, again this year. "It's perfect Car-Show weather!" stated members of the Nifty-Fifties Car Club. Those looking for cars found them—in all colors.

Art and craft vendors were plentiful, as were multitudes of food vendor booths representing a host of local causes.

During the day, several distinctly "old fashioned" activities were witnessed—the splashes from a dunking booth, an impressive talent show, pets in costume, and several young men meandering down the sidewalk twirling ropes. Priceless.



Rope Twirling



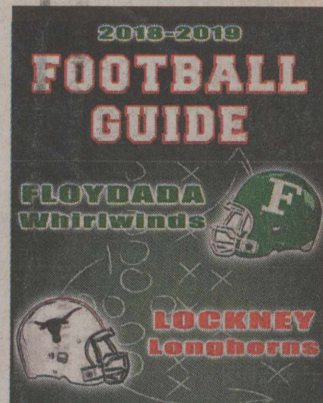
Dunking Booth

## LHS Class of 1953 65th Reunion



Courtesy Photo

Lockney High School Class of 1953. 65th Reunion at Happy State Bank, Plainview, Texas. July 2018. Front Row Seated: Barbara Carthel Mathis, Dorothy Marr Turner, Myrtis Cope, Patsy Holland Musser, Audrene Rhine Robison, Ann Ford; Standing: Clydell Hill Jack, Pat Pylant Smith, Alfred Smith, Nancy Holland Marble, C.B. Smart, Mary Jo Bonner Sherman, Bill Sherman, Mavis Tate Reecer, Billy Chandler, Orland Gilbert, James Carthel. Standing in Back Row: Bobby McCormick, Ann Cooper McCormick, Dick Blenden, Ted Carthel, Durrel Fortenberry, Loy Davis. Attending but not pictured: Jimmy Hill, Virginia Taylor, Eugene Tannahill, Deanie Henderson. 20 classmates, 7 spouses, 1 teacher and 2 guests attended.



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### Upcoming

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### FLOYDADA PRE-GAME SUPPER

There will be a pre-game supper before the Seagraves football game on Friday, August 31st from 5-7 p.m. in the Duncan cafeteria. Pulled pork, beans, cowboy potatoes, salad, dessert and drink - \$10 a plate. Hosted by the Floydada Buyers Club.

### FISD NEWS

Thursday, August 30 - JV football vs. Seagraves, 6 p.m. @ Seagraves; Friday, August 31 - All School Pep Rally, Friday, August 31 - Whirlwind varsity football vs Seagraves @ 7:30 p.m. @ Floydada; Saturday, Sept. 1 - Cross Country Meet @ Plainview; Monday, September 3 - NO SCHOOL - LABOR DAY HOLIDAY.

### LISD NEWS

Thursday, August 30 - JV football vs Clarendon, 6 p.m. @ Clarendon; Friday, August 31 - Longhorn varsity football vs Clarendon, 7 p.m. @ Lockney; Monday, September 3 - NO SCHOOL - LABOR DAY HOLIDAY.

### HESPERIAN-BEACON FOOTBALL CONTEST

The Hesperian-Beacon annual football contest will begin in our

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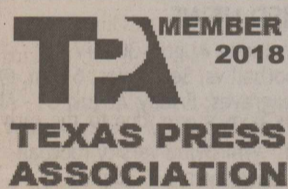
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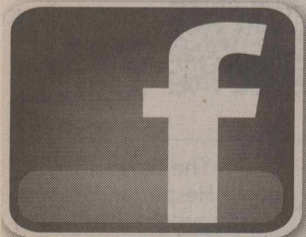


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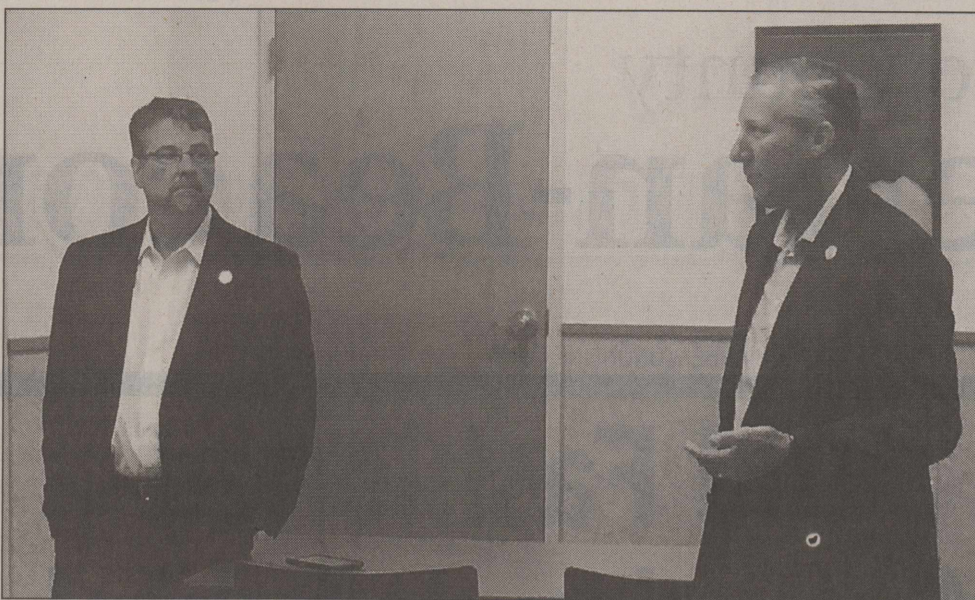
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## Congressmen host town hall meeting



State Senator Charles Perry and State Representative Drew Springer hosted several area Town Hall Meetings last week. The two met with residents of Floyd County in the Floyd County Memorial Library Meeting room, where they both talked about the upcoming legislative session, property taxes, school finance and held a question & answer session.

## "Remarkable" efforts by Lockney Council

By Deon Fincher  
The Hesperian-Beacon

The Lockney City Council met for their August meeting on Tuesday, the 21st. Members present were Mayor-Michael DeLeon, David Cole, Tyler Duni-ven, Donny McLaughlin, Dart Carthel and Aaron Wilson. City Manager-Buster Poling, City Attorney-Lanny Voss, City Secretary-Laurie Garcia.

The twenty-first of August was the first of two Public Hearings seeking input regarding the proposed tax rate of 0.41955 per \$100. This reflects no increase from the 2017-year tax rate. There was no individual input. The second Public Hearing is scheduled for August 28, 7:00 a.m. at City Hall.

Mr. Sam Moore, representing Cross Development, addressed the council briefly regarding the re-zoning of property for Dollar General. The company has selected the old Fortenberry Auction located on the south side of Hwy 70 on which they would like to begin construction a Dollar General Store. The Council authorized preparation of a preliminary report required for rezoning, wishing to file a final report as quickly as possible.

Manager Poling has expressed a desire to apply for a community development block grant. Gina Barella, South Plains Association of Governments, offered assistance in preparing the grant application. This grant is a two-year, \$275,000 grant from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. Funding is being sought to replace the city's sewer lifts. Poling stated that there is no guarantee that the funds will be granted, however, he pointed out that Lockney is well positioned to receive the grant monies. This grant will require a \$41,250 in-kind match. The council voted unanimously in

favor of moving forward with that grant-writing process.

Sheriff Paul Raissez was present to answer any questions regarding the law enforcement agreement with the Floyd County Sheriff's department for law enforcement in Lockney. The 3-year contract provides for a turn-key operation in which the City of Lockney's only expense is the monthly fee for services. The county will absorb all cost associated with personnel, equipment, and vehicles. The effective date of the service is October 1, 2018. Having been working on the agreement terms the past month, the council voted unanimously in favor of the agreement.

A report of choices of software for municipal and governmental accounting was presented by Manager Poling. He recommended accepting the Encode proposal. The software is widely used with a local presence in the South Plains and Panhandle of Texas. The council voted unanimously in favor to let Buster let the bids and move forward with the process.

Manager Poling presented a proposal from Plains Internet to place an antenna on top of the water tower. After discussion of the terms proposed, the council voted to decline the proposal; however, if Plains Internet is open to paying a monthly rental fee for the antenna space, permission will be granted.

Manager Poling stated the City is halfway through the audit, and fully expects to be finalized before the fiscal year's end.

City Attorney stated, "In looking at the increase of the City's fund balances, including the increase in the checking account balance, with so many costs absorbed this past year, it is a credit to this Council, Manager Poling, Laurie and the city's staff. In my experience, it is very remarkable."

## The Paperboy Trying to remain on the path

A couple of weeks ago I shared how our move to New Braunfels was going and how proud I was of my sons in their respective adjustment to a new town and school system. As Paul Harvey used to say, "And now, for the rest of the story..."



CHRIS BLACKBURN

First off, the boys started school Monday and both had great days! They enjoyed their classes and really like their teachers. Both came home confident that they can do fine in their new schools and the entire experience seemed positive.

The one negative was that my oldest son, Jackson, started the school year in a very large school on crutches.

Last Thursday New Braunfels scrimmaged Dripping Springs. Jackson got off to a good start from his Defensive End position and his team looked pretty good as well.

In the second series he was in, he looked to have rolled his ankle, or twist it in an odd and painful way. The next play he got set and actually made a quarterback sack, then proceeded to keep limping. The coaches pulled him so the trainer could take a look at his foot.

One trainer after another looked at his foot until the head trainer came over to check him out. He summoned me that they would immediately ice the foot, then place him in a boot and on crutches and reevaluate him on Monday.

Upon that Monday evaluation, we learned that he had broken a bone in his left foot and he'll be out several weeks.

One of the reasons we moved fairly early in the summer was so the boys could go to strength and conditioning to 1. Get to know the coaches and some teammates; and 2. Get in shape for football.

Jackson really busted his rear to make an impression and his hard work was paying off as he had earned his way to the A-team out of nearly 100 boys in his class playing football.

So here we are. A brand new town and school year and the poor kid is on crutches with a broken foot having to crutch himself around.

So what's the lesson? I haven't a clue.

A couple of years ago he suffered a bad break of his arm in practice and missed the rest of that season and most of basketball. Since that time, I've worked hard on believing that there is a reason for everything and that God has a plan.

That's the difficult thing for me to wrap my head around. Heck, one of the main reasons we are here is that I felt called to be here and everything has gone remarkably easy as I know I'm allowing myself to be led by the Lord and I'm trying to discipline myself to be led instead of trying to force my own will on life.

Again, I wonder what the lesson is to be learned?

But that is the lesson isn't it? Not to question and to follow?

Well, if I'm committed, if we as a family are committed, then we take this as adversity and overcome it. That was the message I delivered to him after practice yesterday and one he had already committed to. He actually was more upbeat than I was when I picked him up from the stadium after practice.

That made me both extremely happy that his walk in his faith is where it should be and a little disappointed in myself because I again questioned why.

Jackson helped me to remember that you can't have it both ways. You can either be willing to let the Lord lead you and you will follow that lead, or you can go it alone and see where that takes you. I'm still opting to be led.

Now, if only I can continue on that path. For me, and probably for many Christians, that's the hardest part.

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Chris Blackburn serves as CEO at Blackburn Media Group, proud owner of The Red River Sun, The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon, The Knox County News-Courier and The Post Dispatch.

## About Town...

Lockney's annual Old Fashioned Saturday took place this past weekend. Think of it! A celebration of 'old-fashioned things' running the gamut from dunking booths to ice cream to classic cars. I even watched a small group of teenagers whiling away the afternoon, meandering down the sidewalks, twirling ropes--like in one of those Roy Rogers movie scenes.



DEON FINCHER

What is it about the past that enralls and captivates us?

Perhaps, it's the familiarity of it all. Change is not always welcome, and there is certainly clarity with hindsight.

Perhaps, our culture romanticizes the past so much that we don't know the difference between what was reality and what was simply a constructed set.

Or, perhaps, it is the simplicity of things. I remember turning on the console TV by pulling out a little knob. One minute all is quiet, and then the next, the 'entertainment center' had come to life. These days, we have three remotes, 500 channels, a VCR player (for those rare classics), a blue-ray player, a satellite/cable box...and a TV. (No...we have not plunged into the abyss of ALEXA.) It takes two hands and several minutes just to get the chosen machines powered up and on the right track.

I had to pick out a replacement cell phone, today, much to my despair. In our technology-driven, network-reliant lives, I believe one of the most feared situations is realizing that one's phone is missing. When my truth sunk in this morning, sweat beaded my forehead, adrenaline surged, and my heart skipped a beat. Yes. It really is that serious.

How I long for phone books that print everyone's telephone number. How I would love to reach into my drawer and pull out a worn address-book, stuffed with old envelopes and 'torn-off' address labels. And, oh, how I wish I could just have my own, familiar phone back in my possession.

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**What:** W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital has partnered with Covenant Health and the schools of Floyd County to educate parents and community members on potential threats targeting our children. Covenant Nurses Donna Neel and Beth Maeker will be sharing their expertise.

**When:** Tuesday, September 11  
7 - 8:30 p.m.

**Where:** Unity Center

**Additional Details:** The town with the most attendees will automatically win the coin-toss at this year's rivalry game between Floydada High and Lockney High on Friday, September 14. Winner will be announced at the game.

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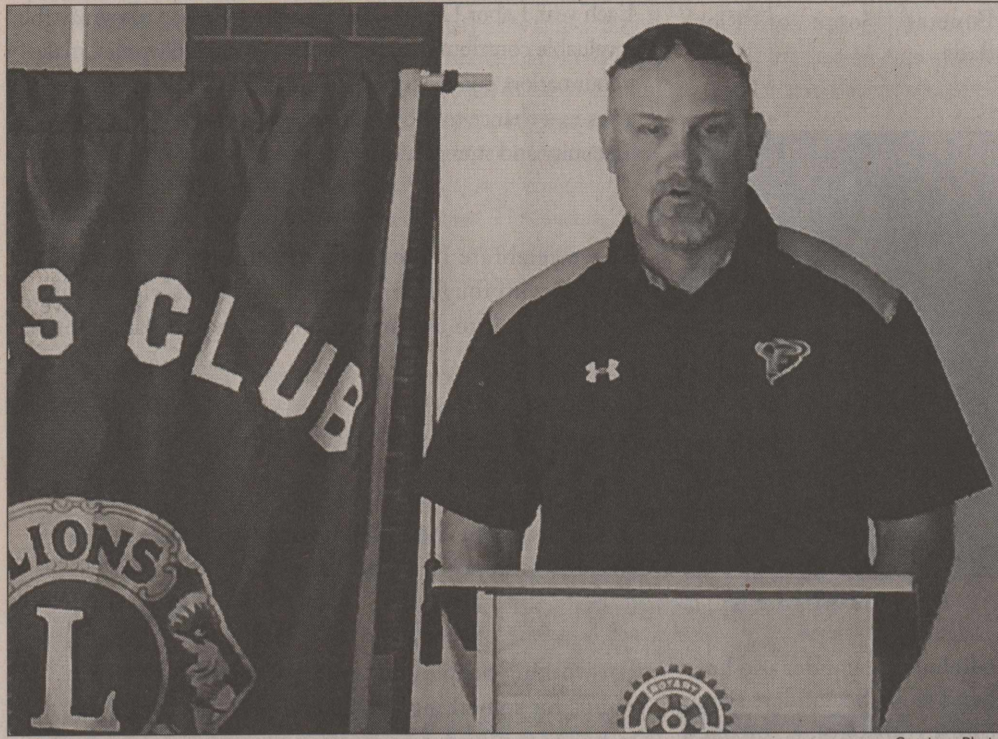
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# SOCIETY

## FHS Senior Football players attend Civic Meetings



Courtesy Photo

Coach Bruington introduces the Seniors of the Floydada Football Team to a joint meeting of the Floydada Lions and Rotary Clubs

## Lockney Rotary welcomes Superintendent



Courtesy Photo

Superintendent of Lockney schools, Jim Baum, recently spoke to the Lockney Rotary Club. Mr. Baum talked about the on-going construction at Lockney schools. "Monday we will be working around the construction, when school starts." Much of the work is being done pro-actively to better ensure the safety of students and staff at the school facilities. He also reported on the addition of the Ag barn and the work being done on the interior of the building.

A new "No Cellphone-except for Class-work Policy" will lead to complaints, from students and teachers, he mused.

Baum detailed the updated improvements and challenges for the coming year. "We will teach our students to work hard, be on time, and improve their reading skills."

## Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY- August is almost gone, school has started and we here at the Center are gearing up for a busy September.

### SEPTEMBER CALENDAR:

3rd- the center will be CLOSED for Labor Day  
6th- You are invited to attend the 90th birthday reception from 2-4 p.m. for Thurman Davis. Cards are welcomed no gifts please  
7th - Family Night Fish Fry 5-8 p.m. \$10 a plate... all you can eat.

\*16th- 31st Annual Fundraiser with auction, silent auction and Fajita Lunch serving from 11:30-2:30 p.m. Also John Robison will be here again and will bring his famous pecan pie for auction. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to donate an auction item please notify Renee at the Center.  
17th- Bingo Night - 5:30-8:00 p.m.  
(\*Please note the second Sunday lunch

has been replaced with the fundraiser.)  
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

September 3 - September 7  
Monday - CLOSED - LABOR DAY  
Tuesday - Taco salad  
Wednesday - Chicken fried steak  
Thursday - Salmom  
Friday - Hamburger steak  
(Menus subject to change without notice)

## Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - The volunteers, employees, and fellow diners wish to acknowledge the passing of our dear friend, Butch Gilliland. Butch was a volunteer at the Center and delivered meals, changed light bulbs, and made emergency runs to the grocery store. He would gladly help us when asked. Butch always had a smile on his face and an incredible sense of humor that would keep us entertained. He has left a void at the Center and in all the lives of those who knew him.

We would like to thank his daughter, Karen, for donating to the Center the washer and dryer that belonged to Butch.

The Center will be CLOSED on Monday, Sept. 3rd for Labor Day.

Our next Bingo night will be the second Tuesday in

which is September 11. 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 blackout 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 August 30.

Floydada Senior Citizens is our business name, but anyone of any age is wel-

come 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

September 3 - September 7  
Monday - CLOSED - LABOR DAY  
Tuesday - Ham  
Wednesday - Chicken fried steak  
Thursday - Sirlon patty w/natural gravy  
Friday - Fish fry  
(Menus subject to change without notice)

## ROCKS

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morning creating their own masterpieces on rocks and then headed out to hide them in the community. Painting rocks gives people a chance to gather together, visit with friends and create something that will eventually be found and put a smile on someone's face. On the back of each rock

are instructions to the person who found the rock. Go to the WEST TEXAS ROCKS Facebook page, post a picture using #FloydCoRockPainters, and re-hide. People are encouraged that if they find a rock, not to keep it, but please re-hide it to keep the smiles going. Join the rock craze; find some friends, paint, laugh and hide. Keep a look out...the #FloydCoRockPainters have hidden their rocks and they are waiting to be found.

## 40TH

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By Deon Fincher  
The Hesperian-Beacon

The FHS Class of 1978 gathered together recently in Lubbock to commemorate 40 years since graduating from Floydada High School. The group dined on barbeque at Cagle's Steakhouse, last

Friday night, at which time pictures were presented amid much laughter. Saturday allowed for different activities including Golf and Shopping. The group reunited for a catered dinner Saturday night. Rick Strange presented the official Toast. Those classmates that have passed were recognized. According to attendees, laughter, fellowship and good memories flowed unchecked during the weekend.

## NOTES

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9-6 issue and will last for the next 10 weeks. Be sure to play each week in order

to win the cash prizes. Don't forget to buy your Hesperian-Beacon.

LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER  
On Thursday, September 6th you are invited to attend

the 90th birthday reception from 2-4 p.m. for Thurman Davis. Cards are welcomed but no gifts please. The 31st Annual Fundraiser will have auction, silent auction and Fajita Lunch being served from 11:30-2:30

p.m. Also John Robison will be here again and will bring his famous pecan pie for auction. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to donate an auction item please notify Renee at the Center.

## FLOYD COUNTY HISTORY FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM FROM THE LOCKNEY BEACON, December 5, 1941

### 60,000 Cans of Fruits and Vegetables Canned Here at Local Cannery

An estimated 60,000 cans of food stuff were canned at the local cannery which was maintained by the county during its four and one half months of operation and which closed its season only last week. Of this 60,000 cans 36,000 or 60% were used to pay helpers and given to the county to be used in welfare work. 40% or 24,000 cans went to the customers. Around 35 different vegetables and fruits were canned and almost as much produce as was canned was turned away due to the insufficiency of the equipment to take care of the demand. Vegetables and fruits cannon included beans, beets, apples, polk salad, squash, spinach, mustard greens, turnip greens, swiss chard, rhubarb, carrots, chicken, chicken tamales, corn, black-eyed peas, peaches, lima beans, okra, cream peas, crowder peas, tomatoes, tomato juice, dry beans, turnips, turnip kraut, soup

mixtures, cherries, hominy, grapes, pears, pumpkin, sweet potatoes, col-lard, ketchup.

As many as 35 women were used as helpers in one day during the busy season and about 150 individuals representing all parts of the county received work during the cannery's run this season.

One thing more than any other emphasizes the long growing season we have here for vegetables is the fact that Mrs. Griffith, manager of the cannery, stated that corn was canned from the first week in July through Hallowe'en (sic) day, October 31.

It has been pointed out that this section due to its long growing season and many irrigation wells has great possibilities for the location of a commercial cannery here. Because of the "Food for Freedom" program now in progress and since every effort to enlist our farmers in

this great and necessary campaign is being made this should be used as a spur to encourage the chamber of commerce or business men to make some effort along this line.

Mrs. Griffith states that taking into consideration that this was a very poor season due to the early spring floods that destroyed a great many vegetables that she considers that the cannery had a very successful run. "There were few green beans saved because of the rains and all the English peas were destroyed before the cannery opened," Mrs. Griffith said.

Mrs. Griffith and her many helpers wish to express their appreciation to the Commissioners of the county for making it possible for the cannery to operate here.

Anyone who has canned goods at the cannery is asked to get in touch with Mrs. Griffith at her home and she will be glad to get them for you.

## SPC to offer License to Carry class on Sept. 8

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND - South Plains College will offer the Texas License to Carry a Handgun class on Sept. 8 (Saturday) in the Law Enforcement Technology building. The class will begin at 8 a.m. with breaks every hour as well as a one-hour lunch break.

The cost of the course is \$75 for students getting their first license, and \$25 for students wanting a refresher course

before renewing their license. This does not include the \$40 fee for the Department of Public Safety and Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint and background checks.

The classroom portion covers firearm safety, the use of force, non-violent conflict resolution, lawful concealed or open carry, storage with children in the home and contacts with law enforcement personnel. It also covers holsters for concealed and open carry. The class runs about six hours.

The range portion covers range safety rules and commands, and the shooting portion of the class at distances ranging from three to 15 yards, using the indoor pistol range in the Law Enforcement building. The number of students will determine how long the range portion requires. Inexperienced shooters might want

to take a National Rifle Association Basic Pistol course before taking the LTC course.

Students will need to bring either a revolver or semiautomatic pistol, any caliber, and 50 rounds of ammunition to match. Eye and hearing protection are provided for students who do not have their own.

The instructor is Dr. Mike Felker, retired SPC professor, NRA Advanced Pistol Instructor, DPS certified LTC Instructor and U.S. Concealed Carry Association Affiliate Instructor.

Although renewals are now handled strictly online, the changes in Texas firearms law since 2015 make a refresher course a good investment. Students need to register and pay in advance. Space is limited. To sign up, email kreyes@southplainscollege.edu or call (806) 716-2341.

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# OBITUARY/CHURCH

## Obituary

### Carolyn Hale

Carolyn Haithcock Hale passed away on Sunday, August 26, 2018.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, August 31, 2018, at the Moore-Rose Funeral Home Chapel in Floydada.

Interment will follow at the Floydada Cemetery.

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

She was born October 28, 1931 in Duncan, Oklahoma and moved to Lockney, Texas with her mother in 1934. In 1947 they moved to Plainview, Texas.

Carolyn graduated from Texas Tech in 1952 and married Bill Hale of Floydada on June 21, 1952. After Bill's stint in the Air Force and finishing college they moved to Floydada and



CAROLYN HALE

made their home there.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her mother, Willie Merle Haithcock, husband, Bill and a granddaughter.

She is survived by her three sons and their wives, Richard and Gail Hale of Garland, Steve and Karen Hale of Denton, and Mike and Mitzi Hale of Richardson; eight grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Online condolences may be made at [www.moore-rose.com](http://www.moore-rose.com)

### Letha Lightfoot

Letha Lightfoot, age 100, passed away on Sunday, August 26, 2018.

Graveside service will be at 11:00 a.m., Friday, August 31, 2018, at the

Floydada Cemetery, with Ronnie Hedges officiating.

Arrangements are entrusted to Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

### Bonnie Miller

Bonnie Miller, age 73, of Silverton, passed away on August 18, 2018.

Memorial service was held at 11 a.m., Saturday, August 25, 2018, at the First Baptist Church in Silverton with GJ Walton officiating.

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

Bonnie was born on September 5, 1945, in Wichita Falls, Texas to A.V. Riddle and Novella (Tidwell) Riddle.

She loved her plants and she had a lot of them. She enjoyed doing arts and crafts especially Christmas wreaths.

She is survived by her husband, Jerry Miller; daughter,



BONNIE MILLER

Michelle Sealander and husband, Tim Sealander; sister, Shirley Bridges; a brother, Joe Riddle; five grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Online condolences may be made at [www.moore-rose.com](http://www.moore-rose.com)

## Wit and Wisdom

**By Charles Keaton**  
The Hesperian-Beacon

Each year, Labor Day gives us an opportunity to recognize the invaluable contributions that working men and women make to our nation, our economy and our collective prosperity. It gives us a chance to show gratitude for workers' grit, dedication, ingenuity and strength, which define our nation's character.

—Thomas E. Perez

As we celebrate Labor Day, we honor the men and women who fought tirelessly for workers' rights, which are so critical to our strong and successful labor force.

—Elizabeth Esty

Labor Day is seen as a day of rest for many hardworking Americans.

—James P. Hoffa

If all the cars in the United States were placed end to end, it would probably be Labor Day Weekend.

—Doug Larson

For working people and union members, Labor Day stands for something special and profound. It's a day to honor the deep commitment each of us has to serve the children we teach, the families we heal, and the communities we love.

—Randi Weingarten

Labor Day is devoted to no man, living or dead, to no sect, race or nation.

—Samuel Gompers

I believe that summer is our time, a time for the people, and that no politician should be allowed to speak to us during the summer. They can start talking again after Labor Day.

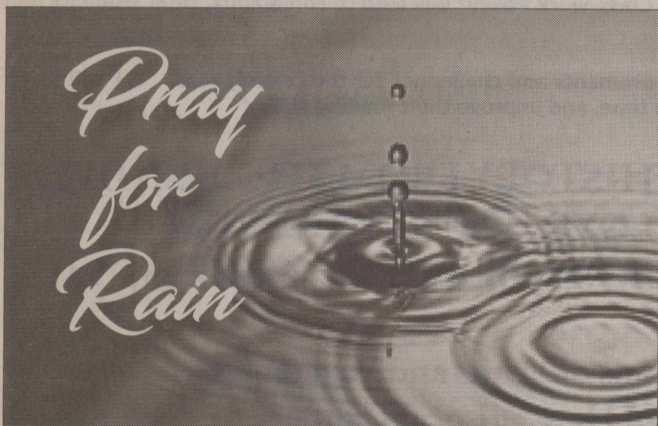
—Lewis Black

Labor in this country is independent and proud. It has not to ask the patronage of capital, but capital solicits the aid of labor.

—Daniel Webster

A man is not idle because he is absorbed in thought. There is a visible labor and there is an invisible labor.

—Victor Hugo



## 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

## Distorted Vision

I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. —Philippians 3:14 (NIV)

A black, spidery form appeared in my line of vision. I jumped as I swiped at it, but the black glob hovered. I splashed water in my eye and rubbed it, but the shadow remained and seemed to multiply. Later that evening, I thought I saw lightning strikes flashing in the corner of my eye.

Fearing a retinal tear or detachment, I contacted my doctor. After examining my eye, the doctor diagnosed me with a floater that obstructed the light coming into my eye, casting shadows on my retina. Thankfully, I had no damage to my retina. She instructed me not to focus my gaze on the floater but to look

beyond the shadow. If I were to focus on the floater, the nerve impulses would be directed toward it — further distorting my vision. The brain is wired to strengthen what we focus on.

As I pondered this, I discovered a spiritual truth. If I focus my thoughts on murmuring and complaining about the negative things in my life, I will see only the negative. But if I choose to turn my gaze and focus on Jesus through prayer, praise, and scripture, my vision will clear. I will be able to see beyond my circumstances to God's greatness and goodness.

—Joanie Shawhan (Wisconsin)

### TODAY'S PRAYER

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Darwin Robinson, Pastor  
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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  
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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**  
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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

401 N 12th St. 983-5805  
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**  
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Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges  
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Sunday Singing - 10:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

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Pentecostal Church**

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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  
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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.

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**  
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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

## Lubbock District Game Wardens Preparing for Dove Season

Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

**The 2018-19 Dove Hunting Season Officially Begins Saturday September 1st**

Lubbock and surrounding areas— Local hunters and area game wardens are preparing for an increase in activity as local sportsmen will enjoy the official start to dove season. Texas citizens will enjoy an extended dove season for the third year in a row. Hunting season will run from September 1st–November 4th and then later from December 21st–January 14th in the North zone where the panhandle region is located.

Roughly 15 percent of the nation's 300 million mourning dove reside in Texas, along with about 15 million white-winged doves at the beginning of September. Each fall,

over 300,000 Texas dove hunters take to the field in pursuit of these acrobatic, fast-flying game birds. "Texas is uniquely situated to catch a lot of migratory birds as they move through the central part of the continent. Couple that with the fact that we are such a big state with diverse habitats, and it makes sense that we have such large numbers of doves," said Owen Fitzsimmons, TPWD Dove Program Leader.

Public information officer Aaron Sims explains that district game wardens eagerly wait for the hunting season to begin. "Game wardens are just as excited as hunters for September 1st to roll around. We've already begun marking locations that will be busiest in hunting activity, as well as speaking with citizens reminding them of the specific species bag limits and restrictions." Sims says that all available wardens will be out in

force throughout the region ensuring hunters are abiding by the laws. "One of the many violations that we might encounter would be hunters not abiding by their daily bag limit." The daily bag limit for dove is 15, which means that a hunter cannot exceed taking 15 dove in a single day. Sims also advises that hunters abide by the legal shooting hours and to double check those official times prior to hitting the fields. Migratory game birds can legally be hunted 30 minutes prior to sunrise until sunset.

There is no closed season or bag limit restrictions for Eurasian collared-doves or common pigeons (rock doves). However, it is recommended that hunters leave plumage on these birds for species identification to verify they are not part of a migratory game bird daily bag or possession limit.

All hunters are reminded that

hunting licenses expire each year on Aug. 31, so a new license for 2018-19 is needed prior to going dove hunting. Licenses may be purchased at local sporting goods retailers, TPWD Law Enforcement offices, and online through the TPWD website at [www.tpwd.state.tx.us/buy](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/buy). The online transaction system is available 24/7.

Hunting and fishing regulations for the new season can be found in the 2018-2019 Outdoor Annual, available at license retailers and online at [www.txoutdoorannual.com](http://www.txoutdoorannual.com). The mobile app available enables hunters to carry the Outdoor Annual with them on their mobile devices. To download the free app, visit <http://www.txoutdoorannual.com/app> or search the iTunes App Store, Amazon AppStore or Google Play for Outdoor Annual – Texas Hunting and Fishing Regulations.



My brother and I weren't hellions, but we could drive Mom up the wall pretty quick. It was on those days--the ones where she would yell, "You two get out of this house! If I find you messing anything else up, I'll make you wish you didn't have to sit down for supper!" As 5th graders, we knew when she meant business, so we would tear out of the house, jump on our bikes and meet up with our group--the other 5th graders that had been thrown out of their houses for the afternoon.

This weekend was one of overwhelming obstacles, which is probably why my Mazie-girl puppy, decided that it would be best if she stayed out from under my feet, keeping herself occupied and out of sight. I am positive that in her own little doggie mind, she was being scarce for my benefit.

As the afternoon sun began to descend towards the west, I emerged, haggard and exhausted, from my house. Longing to de-stress a bit, I turned on the water and headed out to my lovely garden.

I sprayed the newly sprouted holly-hocks, and their parents; I showered the mint-bed, the tomatoes and the zucchini. Moving on down the trellis/fence, I stood, absorbing the healing sunshine as I soaked the cucumbers. Feeling the cool water seeping between my toes in the lawn, I moved to the okra, giving all of those plants a refreshing drink.

We planted a little tree sprig this spring, and so far, I've been able to keep it sprouting leaves--but it sure needed a drink today. Our corn, sunflowers, milo, and peas planted as a boarder against our interior fence got the next attention. While I was shower-

ing the honeydews, Terry came out to join me in our garden.

"What happened here?" he asked, pointing at our Winter Garden box that we planted a few weeks ago; which, by the way, had all sorts of sprouting greens enjoying the warm, moist beds.

With my head at a tilt, afraid to look into the void of the box, I glanced around looking for Mazie. Luckily, for her, she was no-where to be seen.

Terry looked at me. We both whispered Mazie's name in accusation. (She's the only one of our dogs tall enough to get up into the boxes, and yes, this has been a problem in the past.) We began scooping soil back into the middle, loading the corners with rocks to stop the run-off of the soil, and, generally, preparing the bed for planting...again.

I had just gathered a handful of dirt when the image of me and my brother high-tailing it out of the house upon hearing mom's threats popped into my head. Mazie was simply staying out from under my feet...entertaining herself. Right?!

Needless to say, the fence has been double-secured tonight.

## Young Landowners Borrow & Buy More

By Tony St. James  
[www.ALLAgNews.com](http://www.ALLAgNews.com)

WASHINGTON, DC— For many farmers, farm real estate represents a substantial share of total household wealth and is the most important source of equity used to secure loans. Recent research from the Economic Research

Service (ERS) tested the extent to which owning a larger share of their land allowed farmers in different age groups to borrow more, buy more land, or expand operations. Younger farmers (under age 50 in 1997) may need more credit (because they are in a growth phase of the business) and may be more constrained

by their wealth (because they have less of it). For younger farmers, owning an additional one percent of one's land increased the growth rate of interest expenses on real estate-secured debt by 1.44 percentage points between 1997 and 2007. Younger farmers with larger land wealth gains also bought more land: owning

an additional one percent of one's land increased the growth rate in land owned by 1.01 percentage points. For the average farm in the sample, that would increase interest expenses by \$281, debt by \$3,465, and land owned by 4.9 acres. There was no significant effect for older farmers.

## Drought Conditions Concern Southern Bankers

By Tony St. James  
[www.ALLAgNews.com](http://www.ALLAgNews.com)

DALLAS, TX—Bankers responding to the second-quarter survey noted continuing drought conditions across many regions of the Eleventh District. Lack of moisture continues to put pressure on pasture grazing for cattle in many regions, and hay inventories were reported as being low. Many respondents noted wheat and corn crops were suffering due to extreme heat.

Demand for agricultural loans overall decreased for an 11th consecutive quarter. Loan renewals and extensions rose but at a slower pace, while the rate of loan repayment continued to decline. Overall, the volume of non-real-estate farm loans fell compared with a year ago, as did the volume of farm real estate loans. The volume of operating loans flattened out,

and feeder cattle loans stabilized after nearly three years of decline. Volumes of all other loan categories continued to decline in the second quarter.

District real ranchland values surged this quarter, while dryland and irrigated cropland values declined. According to bankers who responded in both this quarter and second quarter 2017, nominal dryland and ranchland values increased year over year in Texas. Southern New Mexico respondents indicated cropland values increased while ranchland values decreased, and northern Louisiana respondents reported cropland and ranchland values all increased.

The anticipated trend in the farmland values index rose to its highest level since mid-2014, suggesting respondents expect farmland values to trend up in the upcoming months.



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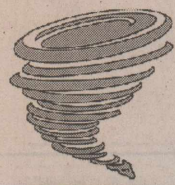
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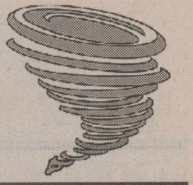
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# Floydada Whirlwinds



## Griggs and Baeza graduate from SPC Vocational Nursing Program

Special to the Hesperian

PLAINVIEW – The Vocational Nursing program at South Plains College Plainview Center recently honored 10 graduates during a Pinning Ceremony at 7 p.m. Thursday (Aug. 9) in the Fair Theatre.

The graduates are Maria Luisa Baeza and Stacey Shea Griggs, both of Floydada; Miranda Sharrise Hernandez of Olton; Ashley Jo Langston, Maria Elena Lucio and Emily Katherine Martinez, all of Plainview; Peggy McDonald, Ayesha Mojica and Amanda Lee Zavala, all of Lockney; and Francis Marie Salinas of Hale Center.

Chief nursing officer at Covenant Health Plainview Leslie Hackett delivered the keynote address. Jeremy Huffhines provided the music. The Gideon Auxiliary presented the White Testaments Bible to each graduate.

Awards were given to McDonald of Lockney for the highest score on the ATI PN Predictor Assessment and Hernandez of Olton was presented the Florence Nightingale Award.

The graduates received their nursing pins which signified the completion of their training for entry level nursing.

For more information, contact Veronica Hall, administrative assistant to the Vocational Nursing Program, at (806) 716-4406.



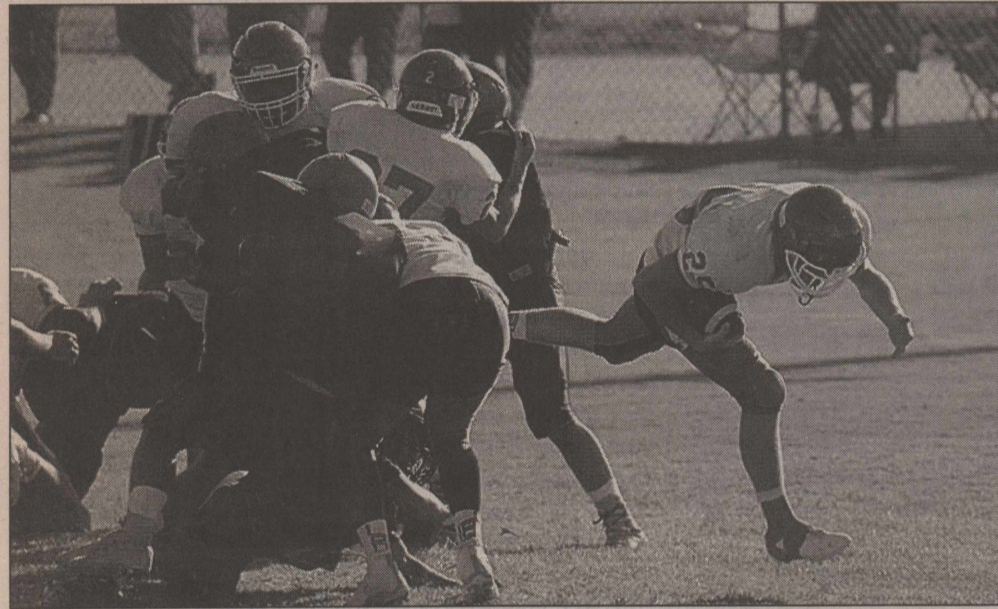
**GRIGGS IS SPC NURSING GRADUATE** – South Plains College Plainview Center recently graduated 10 Vocational Nurses during a pinning ceremony on Aug. 9 in the Fair Theatre. Stacey Shea Griggs of Floydada graduated from the program.



**BAEZA IS SPC NURSING GRADUATE** – South Plains College Plainview Center recently graduated 10 Vocational Nurses during a pinning ceremony on Aug. 9 in the Fair Theatre. Maria Luisa Baeza of Floydada graduated from the program.

Photos Courtesy of Don Dickson Photography

## Winds scrimmage Jackrabbits



Courtesy Photos

The Winds travelled to Ralls for the second, and last, scrimmage before season play begins. JV teams will travel to Seagraves Thursday evening. The Winds' first varsity game will be played in Floydada against Seagraves, Friday, August 31 at 7:30 p.m.

### FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU September 3 – September 7

**Monday**  
NO SCHOOL – LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

**Tuesday**  
**Breakfast** – Melted Colby cheese omelet, fresh fruit, milk  
**Lunch** – Creamy Mac & cheese, turkey hot dog, vegetarian baked beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

**Wednesday**  
**Breakfast** – Morning sausage roll, fresh fruit, milk  
**Lunch** – Chunky chicken salad sub w/cheese, spiced green beans, seasoned mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

**Thursday**  
**Breakfast** – Cocoa Puff cereal, graham crackers, fresh fruit, milk  
**Lunch** – Whole wheat chicken spaghetti, cheese pizza, peppered corn, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

**Friday**  
**Breakfast** – Golden chocolate chip French toast, fresh fruit, milk  
**Lunch** – Pepperoni pizza, ham & cheese sub, crispy crinkle cut fries, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

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# Lockney Longhorns

## Soto-Gonzales graduates as Salutatorian from SPC Law Enforcement Summer Academy

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LEVELLAND – South Plains College honored the 2018 Law Enforcement Summer Academy graduates during a ceremony on Friday (Aug. 17) in the Sundown Room.

Awards were presented to Joshua Rincones of Shallowater, Valedictorian; Alberto Soto-Gonzalez of Lockney, Salutatorian; Aaron McCoy of El Paso, Top Gun Marksmanship Award; and Ryan Reeves of Lubbock, Most Improved Fitness Award.

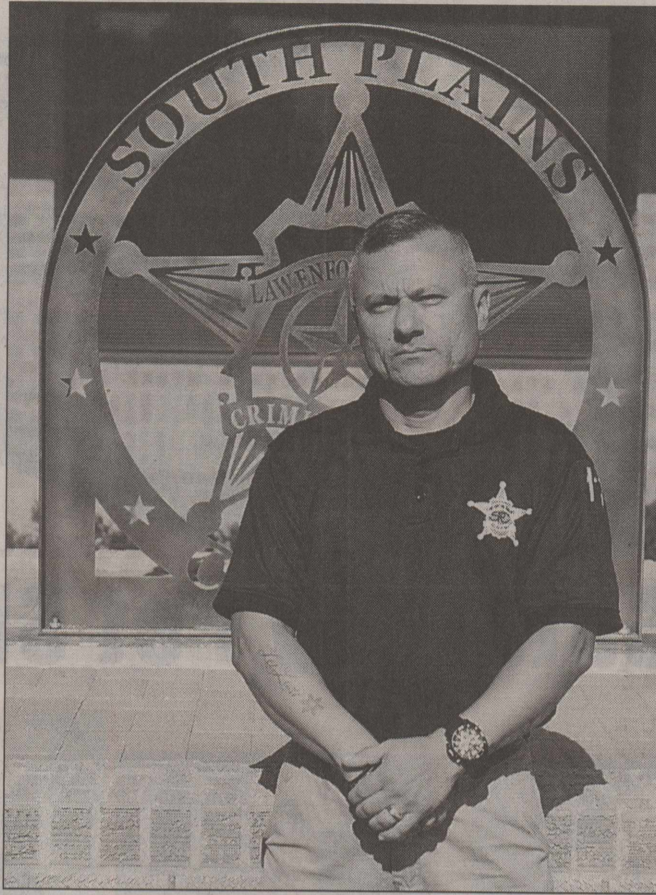
The Hockley County graduate is Jennifer Ann Esparza of Levelland.

The members of the graduating class from Lubbock County are Stephen Paul Becker Jr., Christopher Joe Condren, Matt Dawdy, Chad Edwards, Tyler Findley and Reeves; all of Lubbock; Stephen Hastings of Slaton, Clayton Ragland from Acuff and Randi Lee Rogers of Wolf-orth.

Area graduates are Stephen Amador of Idalou, Jon Martinez of Plains, Alonso Nunez of Littlefield, Jacob Porter of Dimmitt, Rincones of Shallowater and Soto-Gonzalez of Lockney.

Also graduating are Roman Alejandro and Clay Stanford, both of Borger; Jeffrey Scott Bain of Arlington, Teddie James Ellis of Victoria, John Hernandez of Christoval, Thomas Higgins of Austin, McCoy of El Paso, Brady Moberly of Hereford, Sabrina Marie Salinas and Corbin Smith, both of Snyder; and Justin Tolley of Fritch.

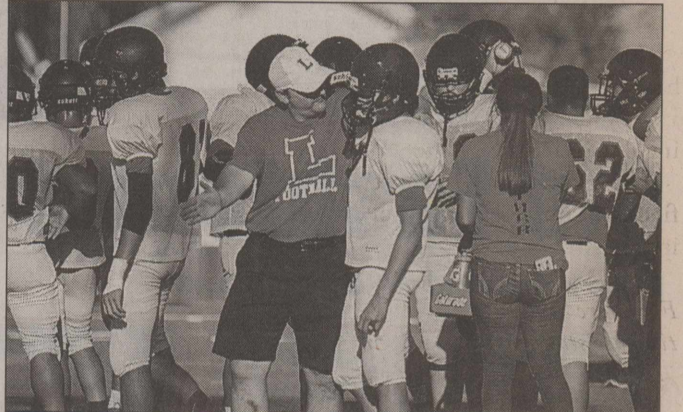
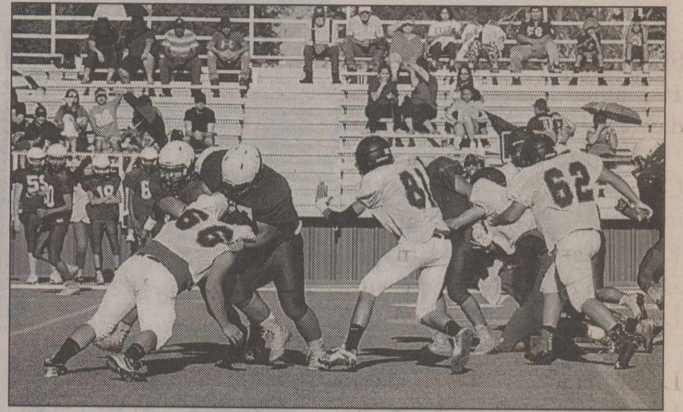
For more details about the SPC Law Enforcement Program, contact Debbie Hale, departmental administrative assistant to Professional Services and Energy, at (806) 716-2291.



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**LOCKNEY SUMMER GRADUATE** – The 2018 South Plains College Law Enforcement Summer Academy graduate from Lockney is Alberto Soto-Gonzalez. Soto-Gonzales was named Salutatorian of the class. The ceremony was conducted Friday (Aug. 17) in the Sundown Room.

## Longhorns trample Springlake-Earth Wolverines



Courtesy Photos

Longhorns hosted Springlake-Earth for the second, and last, scrimmage before season play begins. JV teams will travel to Clarendon Thursday evening. The Horns' first varsity game will be played in Lockney against Clarendon, Friday, August 31 at 7:00 p.m.

## McDonald, Zavala and Mojica graduate from SPC Vocational Nursing Program



**MCDONALD IS SPC NURSING GRADUATE** – South Plains College Plainview Center recently graduated 10 Vocational Nurses during a pinning ceremony on Aug. 9 in the Fair Theatre. Peggy McDonald of Lockney graduated from the program. McDonald was presented an award for the highest score on the ATI PN Predictor Assessment.



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**ZAVALA IS SPC NURSING GRADUATE** – South Plains College Plainview Center recently graduated 10 Vocational Nurses during a pinning ceremony on Aug. 9 in the Fair Theatre. Amanda Lee Zavala of Lockney graduated from the program.

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PLAINVIEW – The Vocational Nursing program at South Plains College Plainview Center recently honored 10 graduates during a Pinning Ceremony at 7 p.m. Thursday (Aug. 9) in the Fair Theatre.

The graduates are Peggy McDonald, Amanda Lee Zavala and Ayesha Mojica,

all of Lockney; Maria Luisa Baeza and Stacey Shea Griggs, both of Floydada; Miranda Sharrise Hernandez of Olton; Ashley Jo Langston, Maria Elena Lucio and Emily Katherine Martinez, all of Plainview; and Francis Marie Salinas of Hale Center.

Chief nursing officer at Covenant Health Plainview Leslie Hackett deliv-

ered the keynote address. Jeremy Huffhines provided the music. The Gideon Auxiliary presented the White Testaments Bible to each graduate.

Awards were given to McDonald of Lockney for the highest score on the ATI PN Predictor Assessment and Hernandez of Olton was presented the Florence Nightingale

Award.

The graduates received their nursing pins which signified the completion of their training for entry level nursing.

For more information, contact Veronica Hall, administrative assistant to the Vocational Nursing Program, at (806) 716-4406.

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- Monday, Aug. 27**  
Breakfast – Pancakes & Bacon or Cereal & Toast, Juice, Fruit, Milk  
Lunch – Steak Fingers, Gravy, Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Carrot Coins, Strawberries & Bananas, Milk
- Tuesday, Aug. 28**  
Breakfast – Cheesy Toast or PBJ, Juice, Fruit, Milk  
Lunch – Spaghetti, Breadstick, Garden Salad, California Blend Veggies, Fruit Cup, Pudding, Milk
- Wednesday, Aug. 29**  
Breakfast – French Toast & Sausage or Cereal & Toast, Juice, Fruit, Milk  
Lunch – Chicken Wings or Chili, Celery & Carrot Sticks, Cornbread, Oranges, Brownie, Milk
- Thursday, Aug. 30**  
Breakfast – Oatmeal, Cinnamon Toast or Breakfast Cracker & Cheese Stick, Fruit, Juice, Milk  
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- Friday, Aug. 31**  
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"JUNE BUG" Winner: Best Costume. Owner Vickie Patrick.



"SANDY" Winner: Longest Tail and Best Trick. Owner Lillian Luna.



"MILO" Winner: Biggest Ears and Most Unusual. Owner Lily Jimenez.



"MISSY MAE" Winner: Longest Legs. Owner Darlene Broseh.

# Old Fashion Talent Show



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The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TxCDBG funding available, all eligible TxCDBG activities, and the use of past TxCDBG funds.

The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TxCDBG application and to make their views known at this public hearing.

Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Darrell Gooch, Floydada, City Manager, at 806-983-2834; Floydada City Hall.

Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact Floydada to arrange for assistance.

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August 31, 2018

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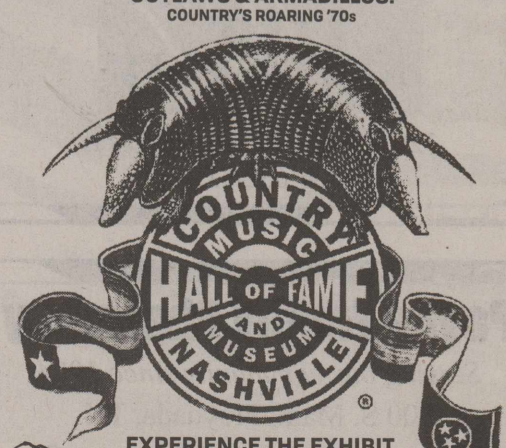
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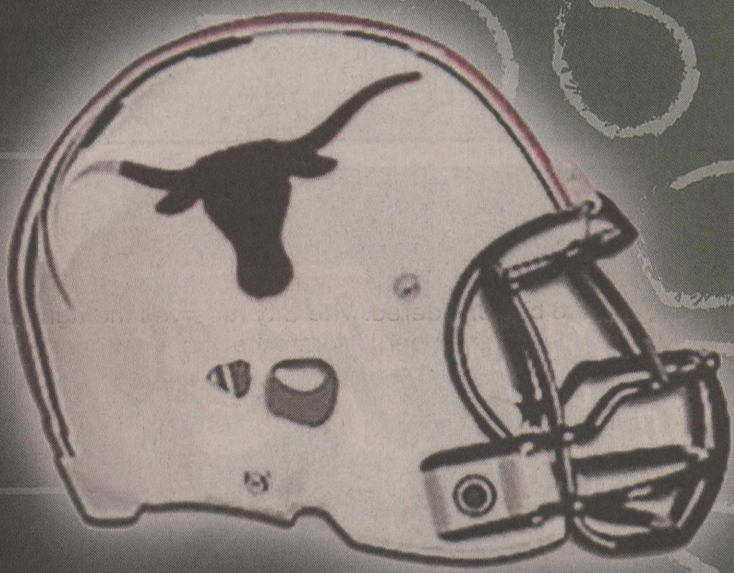


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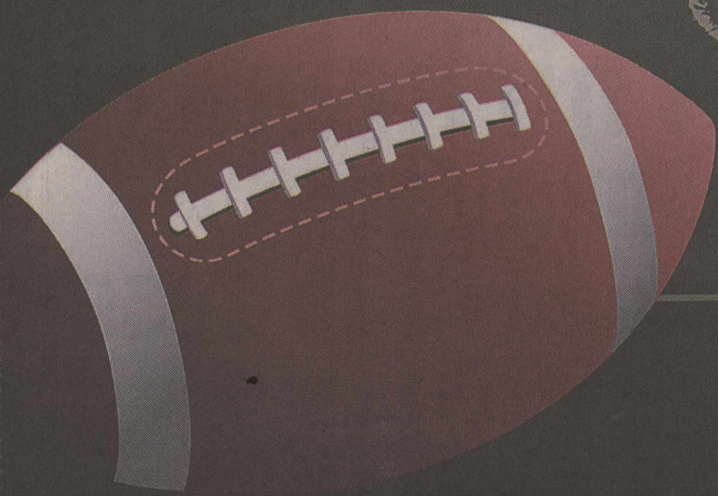
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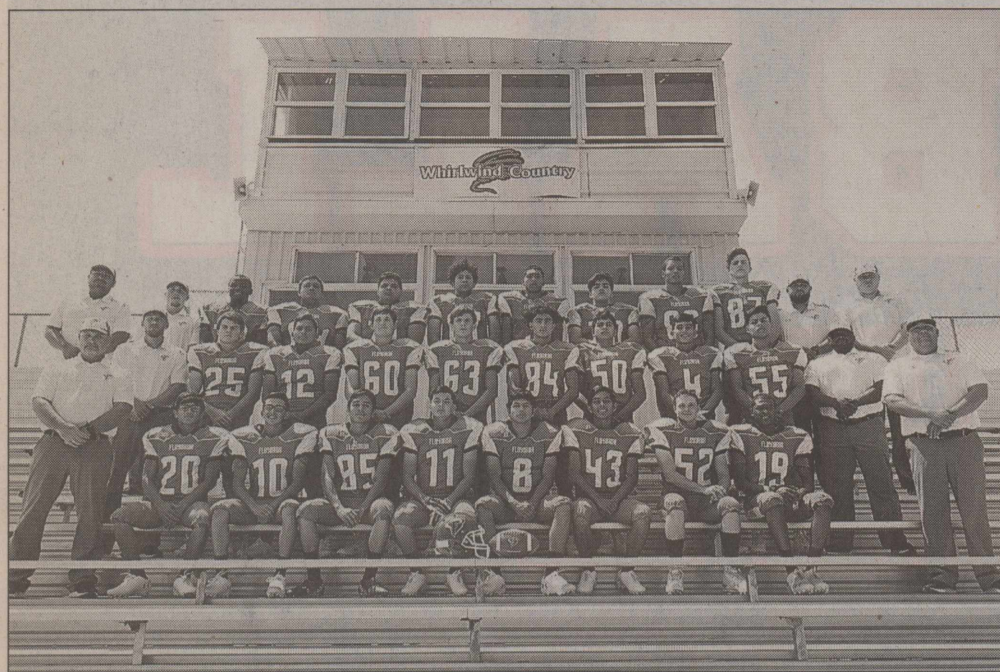


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#10	ANDREZ SUAREZ	QB/DB		5'8" 140	11
#11	ANGEL CERVERA	REC/DB		5'8" 155	12
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#20	MARCUS PEREZ	RB/DB		5'7" 150	11
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#70	JACOB JOHNSTON	OL/DL		6' 255	11
#71	DANIEL GARZA	OL/DL		5'10" 290	10
#72	CARDELL WICKWARE	OL/DL		5'11" 200	12
#84	JERRY REYES	RB/DB		5'8" 145	12
#85	PABLO MENDOZA	REC/DB		5'8" 140	11
#87	CADEN BRITT	REC/DB		6'5" 185	12

## 2018-2019 Floydada Whirlwinds Coaches



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2018 - 2019 Floydada Whirlwinds Coaches - (left to right) Michael Wickware, Jonathan Ramirez, Cody Dean, Adam Zepeda, Head Football Coach - Scott Bruington, Tyler Wilke, Pake Freeman, Joe Alvarado.

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### 2018-2019 Floydada Whirlwinds Varsity Cheerleaders



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2018 - 2019 Floydada Whirlwinds Varsity Cheerleaders - (left to right) Captain Hannah Morales, Ruth Ramirez, Allison Muniz, Kylie Ricketts, Allison Orr, Azalea Garza.

### 2018 Floydada Whirlwinds Junior Varsity Football

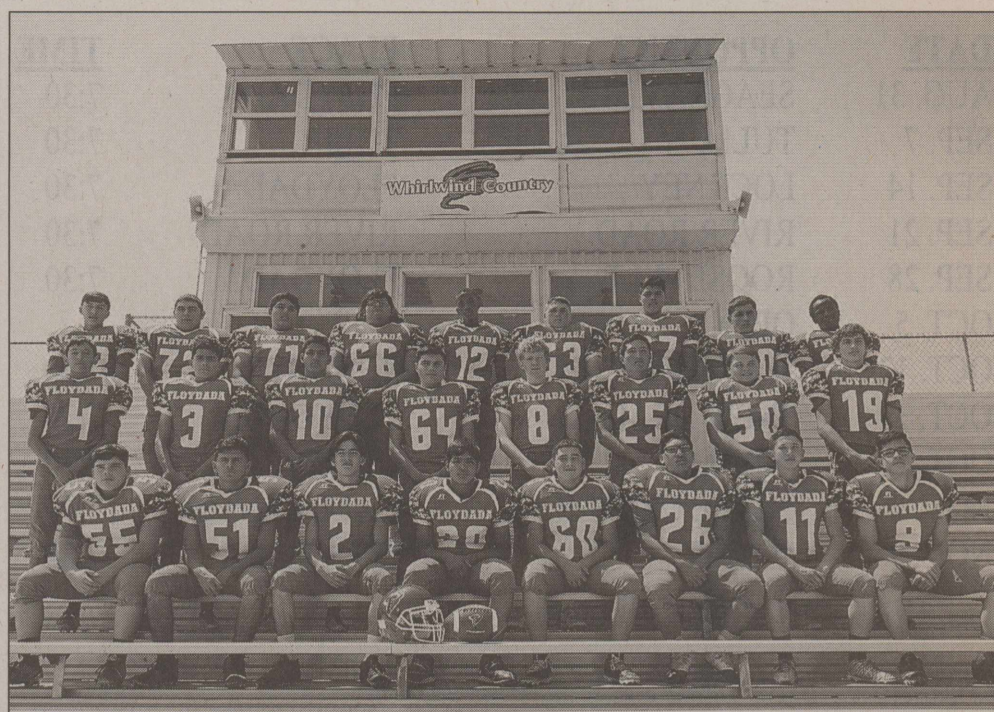


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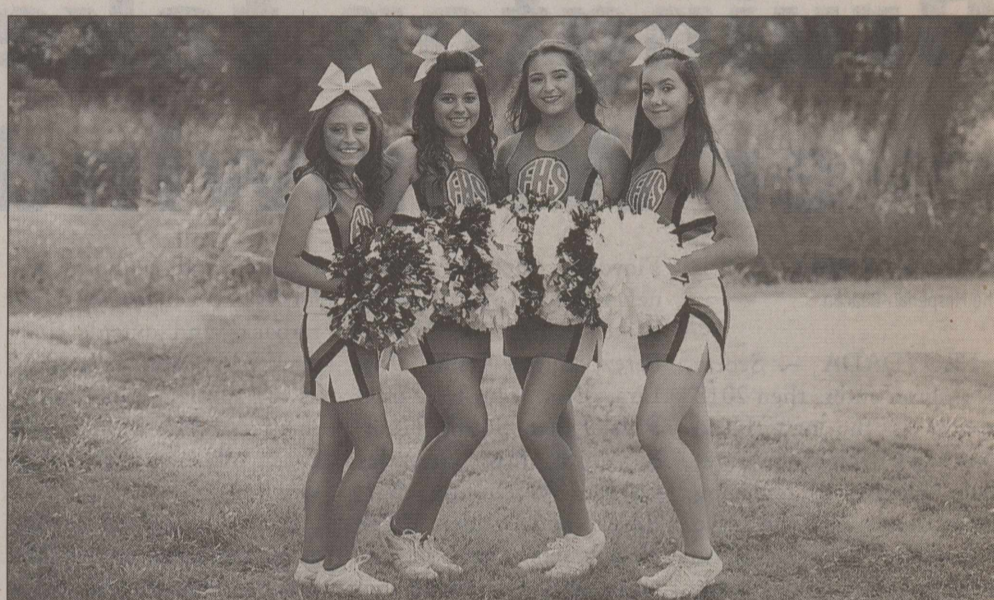


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2018 - 2019 Floydada Whirlwinds Junior Varsity Cheerleaders - (left to right) Kimberlee Ramirez, Natalee Romero, Aliana Gonzales, Katelyn Lechwar

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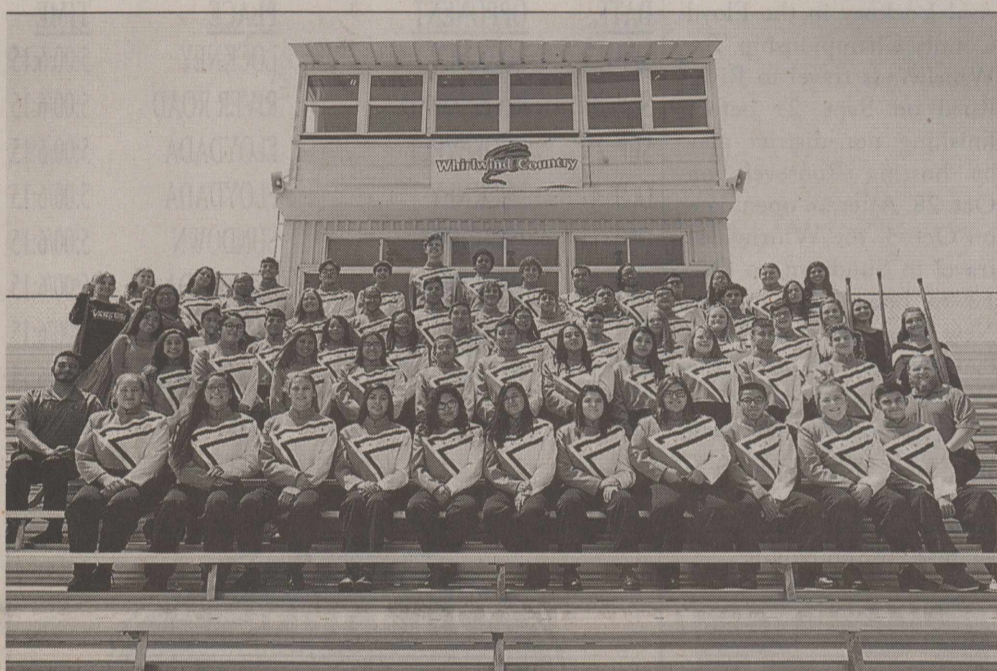


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## 2018 Floydada Whirlwinds Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
AUG. 31	SEAGRAVES	FLOYDADA	7:30
SEP. 7	TULIA	TULIA	7:30
SEP. 14	LOCKNEY	FLOYDADA	7:30
SEP. 21	RIVER ROAD	RIVER ROAD	7:30
SEP. 28	ROOSEVELT	FLOYDADA	7:30
OCT. 5	OPEN		
OCT. 12	*SUNDOWN	SUNDOWN	7:30
OCT. 19	*NEW DEAL	FLOYDADA	7:30
OCT. 26	*OLTON	OLTON	7:30
NOV. 2	*HALE CENTER	HALE CENTER	7:30
NOV. 9	*^POST	FLOYDADA	7:30

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## 2018 Floydada Junior Varsity Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
AUG. 30	SEAGRAVES	SEAGRAVES	6:00
SEP. 6	TULIA	FLOYDADA	6:00
SEP. 13	LOCKNEY	LOCKNEY	7:00
SEP. 20	RIVER ROAD	FLOYDADA	7:00
SEP. 27	ROOSEVELT	ROOSEVELT	6:00
OCT. 4	OPEN		
OCT. 11	*SUNDOWN	FLOYDADA	6:00
OCT. 18	*NEW DEAL	NEW DEAL	6:00
OCT. 25	*OLTON	FLOYDADA	6:00
NOV. 1	*HALE CENTER	FLOYDADA	6:00
NOV. 8	*POST	POST	6:00

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# Bruington takes over Whirlwinds

By Charles Keaton  
 The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Scotty Bruington enters then 2018 season as the new Head Football Coach of the Floydada Whirlwinds, replacing Todd Bandy who will serve only as the district's athletic director. The Whirlwinds look to return to the playoffs after a 4-7, bi-district finalist campaign in 2017.

The Whirlwinds lost eight players to graduation but return 15 lettermen with seven offensive and eight defensive starters. Forty-six players showed up to start pre-season workouts including 14 seniors, eight juniors, one sophomore and 23 freshmen.

"We'll have to rely on our speed and quickness this year," Bruington said, "because we won't have a lot of depth on our varsity. It's going to be important to stay healthy."

Key returning players for

Floydada include Emanuel Torres, Angel Cervera, Mike Delafuente, Marcus Perez, Cutter Smith, Jose Lira, Eric Johnston, Cole Pitts, Ethan Smith, Hunter Smith, Juan Gonzales, Cardell Wickware, Jerry Reyes and Caden Britt. Newcomers that could make an impact are Quincy Gonzales, Javier Olvera and Tyson Snell.

"Our offense will utilize the pistol flex-bone," Bruington said, "while we'll use a 4-2-5 defense most of the time."

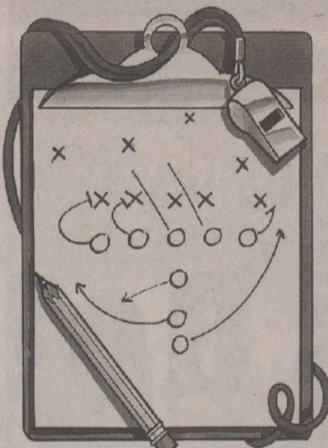
Bruington will also serve as defensive coordinator for the Whirlwinds. Joe Alvarado will be offensive coordinator and coach the offensive line. Cody Dean will coach the outside linebackers and offensive line. Pake Freeman will coach secondary and receivers as well as serving as co-special teams coordinator. Jonathan Ramirez will coach running backs and linebackers. Michael Wickware will coach

receivers and secondary. Tyler Wilke will coach quarterbacks and outside linebackers as well as serving as co-special teams coordinator. Adam Zepeda will coach offensive and defensive lines.

Floydada stayed in the same district except for Abernathy who moved up to 3A-2 and was replaced by Post. Bruington said that New Deal will be tough and fast; Post will be big and physical; Sundown will be big, physical with outside quickness and a good quarterback; Hale Center has a new coach and a new system to learn; and Olton will be improved from previous years with a good, young quarterback and a solid running back.

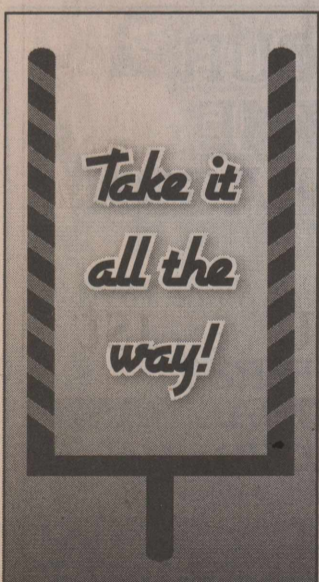
All of the Whirlwinds games will be at 7:30 P.M. this year. They open the season by hosting Seagraves on Aug. 31 before traveling to Tulia on Sept. 7. On Sept. 14, they host county

rival Lockney in the Floyd County Championship. The Whirlwinds travel to River Road on Sept. 21 before finishing non-district play by hosting Roosevelt on Oct. 28. After an open date on Oct. 5, the Whirlwinds travel to Sundown on Oct. 12 to begin district play. New Deal comes to Floydada on Oct. 19 then the Whirlwinds head to Olton on Oct. 26. After traveling to Hale Center on Nov. 2, the Whirlwinds finish the regular season at home against Post on Nov. 9.

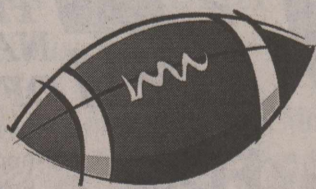


## 2018 Floydada 7th and 8th Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
SEP. 13	LOCKNEY	LOCKNEY	5:00/6:15
SEP. 20	RIVER ROAD	RIVER ROAD	5:00/6:15
SEP. 27	ROOSEVELT	FLOYDADA	5:00/6:15
OCT. 4	LOCKNEY	FLOYDADA	5:00/6:15
OCT. 11	*SUNDOWN	SUNDOWN	5:00/6:15
OCT. 18	*NEW DEAL	FLOYDADA	5:00/6:15
OCT. 25	*OLTON	OLTON	5:00/6:15
NOV. 1	*HALE CENTER	HALE CENTER	5:00/6:15
NOV. 8	*POST	POST	5:00/6:15



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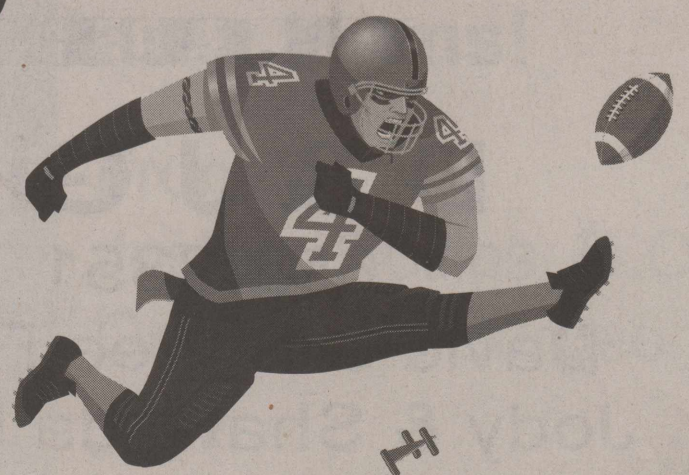
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## 2018 Lockney Longhorns Varsity Football Team

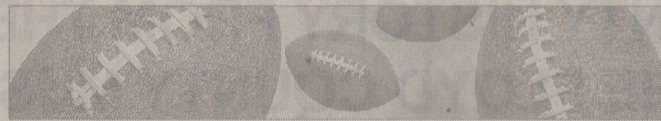
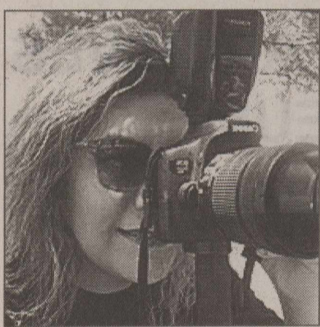


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## 2018 Lockney Football and Cheerleader Seniors



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## 2018 Lockney Longhorns Football Schedules

Varsity				JV			
Date	Opponent	Place	Time	Date	Opponent	Place	Time
8/17	Highland Park	Away	TBD	8/17	Highland Park	Away	TBD
8/23	Spring Lake	Home	06:00	8/23	Spring Lake	Home	06:00
8/31	Clarendon	Home	07:00	8/30	Clarendon	Away	06:00
9/7	Seagraves	Away	07:30	9/6	Seagraves	Home	06:00
9/14	Floydada	Away	07:30	9/13	Floydada	Home	07:30
9/21	Hale Center	Away	07:30	9/20	Hale Center	Home	07:30
9/28	Olton	Home	07:30	9/27	Olton	Away	07:30
10/5	Open			10/4	Open		
10/12	Ralls	Home	07:00	10/11	Ralls	Away	07:30
10/19	New Home	Home	07:00	10/18	New Home	Away	07:30
10/26	Smyer	Away	07:00	10/25	Smyer	Home	07:30
11/2	Tahoka	Home	07:00	11/1	Tahoka	Away	07:30
11/9	Crosbyton	Away	07:00	11/8	Crosbyton	Home	07:30
8th Grade				7th Grade			
Date	Opponent	Place	Time	Date	Opponent	Place	Time
9/13	Floydada	Home	06:15	9/13	Floydada	Home	05:00
9/20	Hale Center	Home	06:15	9/20	Hale Center	Home	05:00
9/27	Olton	Away	06:15	9/27	Olton	Away	05:00
10/4	Floydada	Away	06:15	10/4	Floydada	Away	05:00
10/11	Ralls	Away	06:15	10/11	Ralls	Away	05:00
10/18	New Home **	Away	06:15	10/18	New Home **	Away	05:00
10/25	Smyer	Home	06:15	10/25	Smyer	Home	05:00
11/1	Tahoka	Away	06:15	11/1	Tahoka	Away	05:00
11/8	Crosbyton	Home	06:15	11/8	Crosbyton	Home	05:00

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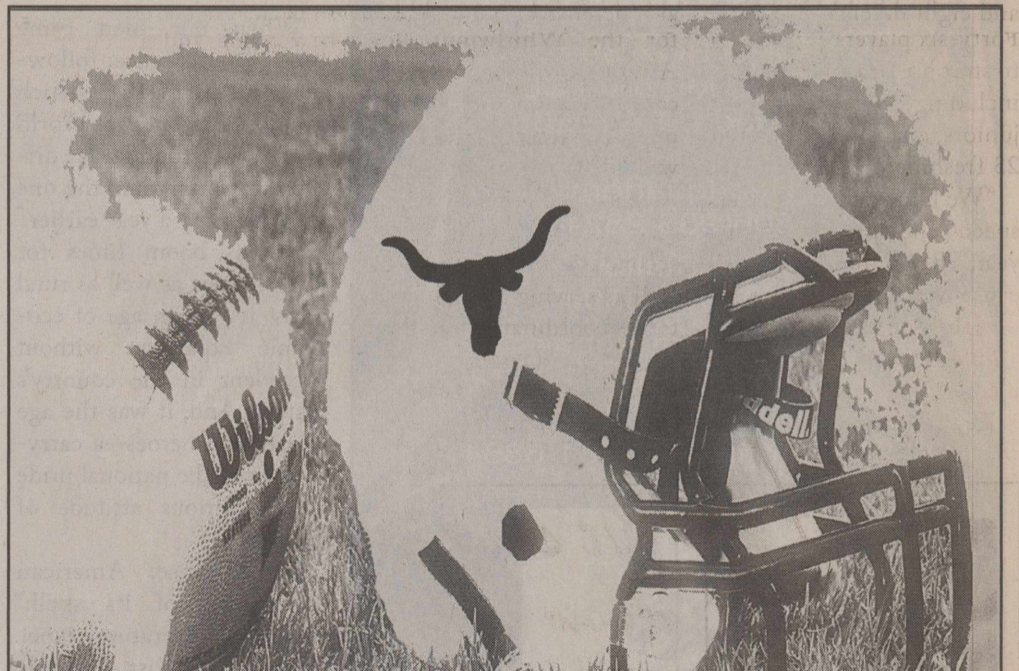
## 2018 Lockney Longhorns Varsity Football Roster

No.	Name	Grade	Position	Head Coach/Athletic Director – Stacy Ward
2	Jesus Gonzales	9	WR/SEC	Defensive Coordinator – Stephen Young
3	Silas Urrutia	11	FB/LB	Offensive Coordinator – Todd Korchenko
5	Ashton Urrutia	10	WR/OLB	Coaches – Todd Bryant, Chris Pritchard, Adrian Gutierrez, Adrian Rosales
6	Austin Rodriguez	9	WR/SEC	Trainer – Marissa Rocha
7	Pablo Morales	9	WR/SEC	Managers – Austin Ascencio, Elias Ascencio
8	Nathan Cenicerros	9	WR/DE	Student Trainers – Jayda Rosales, Yanelle Bernal, Tatyanna Cienfuegos, Taylor St Dennis
10	Cole Poole	10	WR/OLB	Band Director – Chris Rodriuez
12	Alex Garcia	12	RB/OLB	Cheer Sponsor – Pam Fulton
16	Daniel Palomin	12	FB/OLB	Varsity Cheerleaders – Reagan Nuncio, Sierra Landeros, Kaylee Berumen, Tyra Rosales, Anahi Ascencio, Madai Chavirra, Kaylee McInvale, Miranda Hernandez, Brianna Rodriquez
20	Anthony Salazar	12	TE/DE	Mascot – Gissel SanMartin, Aurelia Cruz
21	Noel Cenicerros	11	QB/SEC	Superintendent – Jim Baum
22	Caleb Pritchard	9	RB/LB	HS Principal – Todd Hallmark
23	Anson Rendon	10	RB/SEC	JH Principal – Craig Setliff
24	Bryce Reese	12	QB/OLB	Transportation/ Maintenance – Kenny Hooten
25	Josh Cienfuegos	10	RB/SEC	Grounds – Chris Ascencio
40	Aidan Bustillos	9	FB/LB	
44	Jeremiah Chavira	9	TE/DE	
50	Christopher Moreno	9	OL/DL	
51	Christian Gonzalez	10	OL/DL	
52	Markus Deleon	12	OL/LB	
55	Keanu Villarreal	11	OL/LB	
56	Sean Rendon	9	OL/DL	
58	Elizar Alvarez	9	OL/DL	
60	Eliseo Barrera	9	OL/DL	
61	Justin Gonzales	9	OL/DL	
64	Josh Jimenez	9	OL/DL	
65	Andrew Sanchez	11	OL/DL	
66	Quinten Johnson	9	OL/DL	
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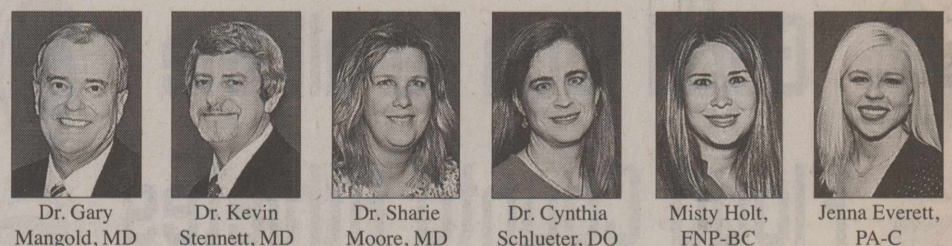
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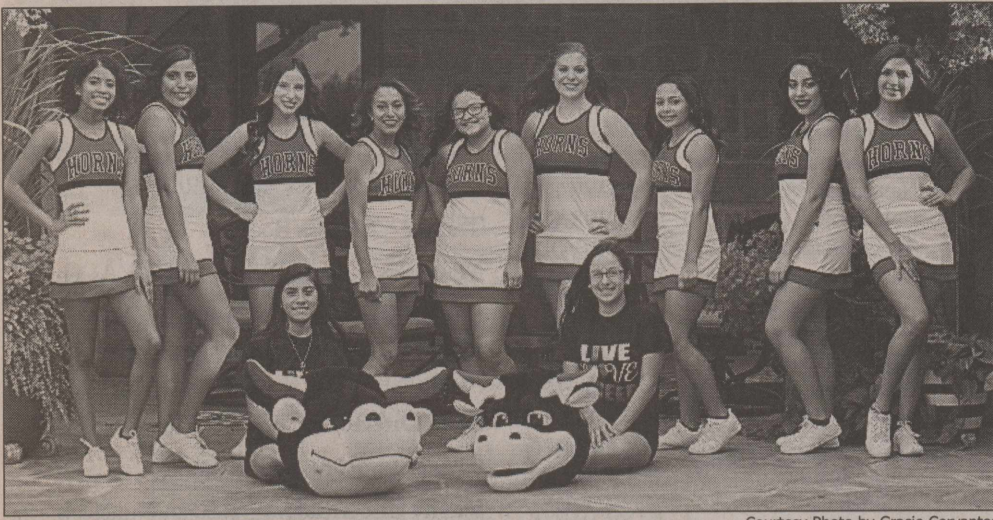


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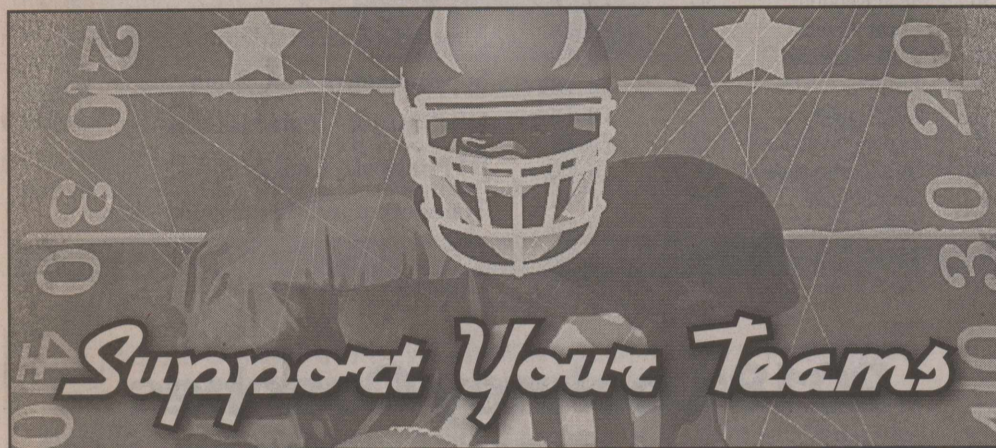
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## 2018 Lockney Longhorns Varsity Cheerleaders



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Lockney Varsity Cheerleaders (not in order) – Reagan Nuncio, Sierra Landeros, Kaylee Berumen, Tyra Rosales, Anahi Ascencio, Madai Chavirra, Kaylee McInvale, Miranda Hernandez, Brianna Rodriguez. Mascots – Gissel SanMartin, Aurelia Cruz.



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## FLOYD COUNTY HISTORY FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM

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### THE WHIRLWINDS AND LONGHORNS: A Tradition is Born

When our men came home from France, following the Armistice which brought an end to World War I, they found a far different country than the one they left only a year earlier. It was boom times for all--in cities as well as rural areas. It was an age of economic expansion without precedent in the country's history. And, it was the age of national heroes--a carry-over from the national pride and victorious attitude of the war. In a sense, American "came out of its shell." American literature experienced its most dynamic growth in the second decade of the Twentieth Century, the entertainment business reached its highest ebb dur-

ing the 1920s with Hollywood becoming the movie capital of the world, but no single event ever captured the hearts and enthusiasm of the masses as the solo flight across the Atlantic Ocean by Charles Lindbergh--it virtually roused the country to a fever pitch of excitement. Floyd County was no exception. Almost from their inceptions most towns and schools in Floyd County fielded sports teams of some sorts. The Floydada and Lockney schools organized football teams sometime prior to 1920. The natural rivalry of the communities was carried onto the athletic fields and a West Texas tradition was born. Little is known or recorded as to the nicknames and mascots of Floyd County's earlier sports teams. Apparently, the nickname of Lockney's school squads has been the "Longhorns" almost

from the beginning. The colors of early Lockney teams were maroon and white. Those first years of high school football in Texas were far different than are known today. It might be stated that many schools at that time were often represented by "town" squads. The players were allowed to participate until their twenty-first birthday: A quick glimpse at photographs of the players in the 1920s illustrates this point. The players were more mature than the schoolboys of modern times. Floydada's teams of the 1920s regularly played such larger schools as Lubbock, Plainview and Amarillo. In 1924, Floydada played to a 7-7 tie with a team of Lubbock "All-Stars" at the South Plains Fair. In 1921 the colors of Floydada were green and white, however, up to that time there was no nickname or mascot associated with

the Floydada High School--that changed for all time the next season. Floydada defeated the Lubbock High Westerners and Plainview Bulldogs en-route to a district championship in 1922. Floydada then advanced to a bi-district encounter with the Amarillo High Golden Sandstorm. When asked by an Amarillo sports writer what chance his team had against the powerful "Sandies," Floydada Coach J.C. Wester replied, "We just have 17 boys, and our team will only be a small whirlwind in front of the Amarillo Sandies." Just as Grantland Rice had made the "Four Horsemen of Notre Dame" a household word, the Amarillo scribe picked the name "Whirlwind" from Coach Wester's remarks. From that time on, the green and white of Floydada's teams have been known as the "Whirlwinds."

## New Era Begins in Longhorn Country

By Charles Keaton  
 The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Stacy Ward ushers in a new era for the Lockney Longhorns as he takes over the reigns as Athletic Director and Head Football Coach. The Longhorns, 3-8 and a bi-district finalist in 2017, are looking to make some noise in the new realignment that puts them in a district with rivals Crosbyton and Ralls, as well as Smyer and Tahoka and 11-man newcomer New Home. "I'm not real familiar with the opponents yet," Ward said, "but it will be a battle every Friday night." The Longhorns lost 10 players to graduation but return 12 lettermen from 2017. Thirty players reported to pre-season workouts including six seniors, four juniors, seven sophomores and 13 freshmen. "We're young and lack experience," Ward said, "but our strength will be from the leadership of our returning players." Lockney will rely on Bryce Reese, Devin DeLeon, Andrew Sanchez, Noel Cenicerros, Alex Gar-

cia, Cesar Cienfuegos and Anthony Salazar to lead the way as the experienced players for the Longhorns. Newcomers that have caught the eyes of the coaches are Silas Urrutia, Keanu Villarreal, Miguel Lara, Christian Gonzalez, Kalebh Cook, Josh Cienfuegos, Daniel Palomin, Anson Rendon, Ashton Urrutia and Cole Poole. "We'll use multiple sets in our offense and run a split-six defense," Ward said. The keys to a successful season, according to Ward, will be developing the players into the new system. "They have to trust the process of what we are building on and working for," Ward said. "Our motto for the year is 1-0, meaning 'Are we better today than we were yesterday' and focus on getting better every day and winning that day." Ward, besides head football coach duties, will also coach the offensive and defensive lines. Stephen Young joins the staff as defensive coordinator and wide receiver and secondary coach. Todd Korchenko will serve as the offensive coordinator as well

as quarterbacks, ends and outside linebacker coach. Todd Bryant will coach fullbacks and linebackers. Adrian Gutierrez will coach running backs, ends and outside linebackers. Adrian Rosales will coach wide receivers and secondary. Chris Pritchard will coach offensive and defensive lines. Lockney opens the season by hosting Clarendon at 7:00 P.M. on Aug. 31. On Sept. 7, the Longhorns travel to Seagraves for a 7:30 P.M. game. On Sept. 14, the Longhorns travel to Floydada for the Floyd County Championship at 7:30 P.M. On Sept. 21, Lockney will visit Hale Center for a 7:30 P.M. game. Olton comes to Lockney on Sept. 28 for a 7:30 P.M. game to close out the non-district schedule. The Longhorns have an open date on Oct. 5 before district starts. All district games will kickoff at 7:00 P.M. Ralls comes to town on Oct. 12, then New Home visits on Oct. 19, the Longhorns travel to Smyer on Oct. 26, then host Tahoka on Nov. 2 before closing out regular season play at Crosbyton on Nov. 9.

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