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Winter Storm Diego blanketed the trees that surround Floydada ISD's Watson baseball field, creating a winter wonderland that remained unspoiled through Saturday evening.

## Diego blankets Floyd County

By Deon Fincher  
 The Hesperian-Beacon

Winter storm Diego passed over Floyd County last Friday night dumping up to 10 inches of snow in the area. The heavy snowfall and icy conditions from the sleet and rain that fell late Friday prompted numerous postponements and cancellations.

One of the first casualties was the Whirlwind Classic basketball tournament that had been on-going since Thursday. With the final games in place and scheduled for Saturday, the storm brought with it potentially treacherous driving conditions. Administrators and coaches were forced to cancel those Saturday games.

When asked if the tournament play was finished and how winners were determined with the championship games still yet to play, FHS Coach Adam Zepeda stated, "We really don't get a winner in these circumstances." Both the Whirlwinds and Lady Winds had defeated all their opponents except for the teams slated to compete in the championship games. The Winds were to face-off against Slaton—a team they had beat just last week. The Lady Winds were slated to play Morton for the championship.

"It's unfortunate," added Coach Zepeda. "This was the first time in a long time that both teams were in the finals in our tournament."

An additional casualty of the storm was the arrival of Santa Claus in the county. Floydada's

Chamber of Commerce's Santa on the Square was postponed early Saturday morning. Lockney had postponed their Miracle on Mainstreet event earlier in the week after evaluating the weather forecasts. Both activities were rescheduled for next Thursday, December 13th. Santa is expected to arrive in Floydada just after 4:00 p.m., and the Lockney event will kick-off that same evening at 6:00 p.m.

Throughout Saturday, record snow-fall amounts were constantly popping up on Facebook and in the news media. According to several individuals within Floyd County, snow amounts ranging from 6 inches north of Lockney to 10.5 inches south of Floydada were reported.

Although the sun only peeked out for a bit, the minimal warming resulted in freezing ice and frozen tire-tracks as the evening hours approached. Most of the churches in both Floydada and Lockney cancelled or postponed their Sunday morning services, choosing to encourage folks to stay inside and off the treacherous streets.

By mid-day Monday, most of the cities' streets were clearing off and the communities' snowmen were well on their way to slumping down into mushy piles.

Frigid night-time temperatures will continue to freeze the snow melt, rendering roadways and sidewalks dangerous and Thursday's forecasted cold-front will bring day-time temperatures back down below the 40-degree mark.

## Football Contest



Barbara Anderson/Hesperian-Beacon

The 2018 Hesperian-Beacon's Football Contest winners pictured are (left to right) Franklin Harris (3rd place), Brent Sanders (2nd place) and Domingo Faz (1st place). We would once again like to say "Thank You" to all the participant and especially the sponsors that make this contest possible.

## Firefighters present Fireman of the Year to Stapp

By Deon Fincher  
 The Hesperian-Beacon

Lyndall Stapp, Asst. Fire Chief and EMS Coordinator, was presented with the Fireman of the Year award at Lockney's Fireman's Ball last Saturday evening.

Lockney's volunteer firemen, their families and the Fire Department's major community supporters came together for some holiday fellowship which included live entertainment by Vance Guthrie & Junction 84. This ball is an annual event dedicated to recognizing and honoring those individuals that work day-in and day-out throughout the year fighting fires in the Lockney and surrounding areas.

This year's ball was decorated by the Lockney Women's Auxiliary.

Members of the Junction 84 band include Vance Guthrie-lead singer & guitar; Aaron Cowley-guitar; Randon Torres-



Courtesy Photo

2018 Fireman of the Year-Lyndall Stapp.

drums; and Lockney's own Brant Guthrie-bass fiddle was Brady Rasco. Hometown Pharmacy's guitar. Standing in with the

## Santa Claus coming to Lockney Salvation Army

By Denise Doucette  
 Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Santa Claus will be coming to the Lockney Salvation Army on Saturday, December 15th from 10 a.m. thru 12 noon. Come see Santa and receive a Christmas toy. The store is located across from the Post Of-

fice at 108 N Main Street, Lockney.

At the same time, the Lockney Salvation Army will be handing out the Christmas Food Baskets to those families who signed up.

If you would like more information on how your family can receive a Christmas Food Bas-

ket, please contact Alicia Luna at 806-283-6452 or the Store at 806-652-2488. The Store's hours are Monday - Friday: 10 am to Noon and 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

The Lockney Salvation Army wishes you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

## Semi-Truck Crashes in Canyon



Deon Fincher/Hesperian Beacon

An out-of-state driver crashed his semi-truck last Thursday morning as he crossed through the canyon on the Ralls Highway. Deputies investigating were unable to give any details regarding the cause of the accident. There were no injuries reported.

## Upcoming

Events are listed free of charge for nonprofit civic organizations, schools and community events. Please submit listings at least two weeks ahead of the date. Listings will run through the date of the event. Emailed submissions are preferred to fchb.editor@yahoo.com.

### FIRST NATIONAL BANK OPEN HOUSE

The First National Bank of Floydada will have their "Open House" on Friday, December 14th from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. in the Community Room. Everyone is welcome.

### MANGOLD MEMORIAL TOY DRIVE

The WJ Mangold Memorial Hospital is a collection site for the TOY DRIVE for the Lockney Salvation Army. See **NOTES**, Page 10

## Corrections

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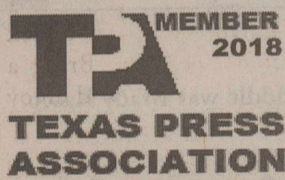
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## Morris Commended for Service



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County Judge Marty Lucke presents a plaque to out-going Pct. 2 County Commissioner, Lindan Morris, in recognition of the many years of service and dedication as a county commissioner to Floyd County. Monday, December 10, was the last commissioner's court meeting for 2018.

## The 501: Non-Facebook Christmas Greetings

There are three kinds of people: Facebookers, non-Facebookers and ex-Facebookers. If you want to put the nons and the exes in the same category, I won't argue. Life's too short. Also, feel free to protest the way I pluralized the non-word "non." Spellcheck already has.

Back to Facebook. Ex-facebookers tend to fall off the wagon quickly. Soon they're back, posting right and left (or should I say right or left?), presumably feeling better after self-imposed breaks from their addictions. I wouldn't know. I've never taken one of those breaks. I'm not an addict. (Smiley face.)

Neither is my husband, Hugh. He can take it or leave it. Really. Nevertheless, lately he's been drawn into the Facebook scene enough to begin feeling rebellious—like maybe he would join a peaceful anti-Facebook demonstration, given the chance.

Instead he has channeled his feelings and mine into our 2018 Christmas card—one that features a picture of the two of us plus pictures of children and grandchildren and a picture of longhorn Little Mamou with two generations of her offspring. Plus graphics. Whew!

Yep, it took a whole day. Shooting ourselves was the biggest challenge. Once I figured out how to change the time exposure from two seconds to ten, it got easier. One shot shows Hugh posed nicely, smiling and holding his favorite guitar. The curved blurred object on the left margin is my right hip. You get the picture.

That said, it wasn't nearly as bad as the time my friend Beverly and I tried to take a time exposure of the two of us dressed for the Quannah Christmas parade. Beverly just stood there, but I, the photographer, was a harmonica-playing stilt walker. We ended up with several humorous shots of me trying to get on those stilts before the shutter click.

Back to 2018. At least I wasn't on stilts. All I had to do was grab my old saxophone and sit next to my photogenic counterpart and smile.

Once we selected our best picture, card design came next. Remember how easy things were before computers made things so easy?

The design process would have gone quicker if I hadn't decided to turn pictures of our four plywood snowmen (the ones that line up yearly on our front lawn) into minor graphic embellishments. They look so good that they won't be noticed. Oh well.

Printing cards at Fedex is easier if you pay the experts to do it. I didn't.

If you decide to make five-by-seven Christmas cards, they fit a standard envelope called an "A7." You can drive for miles in search of that size. Miles. Then you can order them online. Just so you'll know.

Final suggestions: If you design your own cards, leave an appropriate space to sign your names. We didn't.

What to do if you want to send a card to someone and you don't have the address? Just use Facebook.

Believe it or not, it was Hugh who came up with that solution. (Thumbs up.)

## About town

While attending to some recent research, I came across a young student's description of the town in which she lived. The assignment essay was written in 1871. The town Adelaide Breen wrote about was located about 45 miles east of Monterey, California. "There are two hotels, four stables, two halls, one tinshop, one fruit store, five saloons, two butcher shops, one post office, one express office, five or six stores, one millner shop, one drugstore, three bakeries, one brewery, three blacksmith shops, three restaurants, one private school and one public school, two shoemaker shops, three Chinese washhouses, one physician, and three churches."

**DEON FINCHER** From the Business Directory of Wyoming County, N.Y., dated 1870-1871, the individual businesses in each of the towns in the county are listed: Strykersville had "...two churches, a hotel, three stores, a grist mill, two saw mills, three carriage shops, two blacksmith shops, two shoe shops, a cabinet shop, two cooper shops, a harness shop, a brewery, a marble shop, a sash and blind factory, a tin shop, and about 300 inhabitants."

An 1870 account of Hearne, Texas paints a picture of a thriving community with "a population of about 2000." Situated at the junction of two popular railroads, there were "...3 stores of general merchandise, 6 dry-goods stores, 6 grocery stores, 3 drug stores, 1 hardware store, 1 bakery, 1 commission house and warehouse, 1 bank, 1 hide house, 2 hotels, 4 boarding houses, 3 livery stables, 2 meat markets, 3 barber shops, 3 shoe shops, 1 tin shop, 2 blacksmith shops, 2 lumber yards, 1 brick-yard, 1 planing mill, 1 manufactory of mineral water, a cotton compress (Taylor steam hydraulic, valued at \$40,000), 7 churches 2 schools, lodges of Masons and Odd-fellows, and a brick round-house of each railroad..." It is believed that a cotton-seed oil mill, a tannery, foundry and machine shop would all do well here."

While combing through these details, I naturally began to compare those "necessary" businesses to any small town in this day and age, and there are definitely some commonalities.

Our two towns, together, have grocery stores—which would be a combination of the early grocery, fruit, bakery, meat, and dry-goods; drug stores; barber shops; hardware stores; hotels/boarding houses; banks; auto-mechanic shops could loosely equate to blacksmiths; restaurants; schools; churches...the basics are present in our modern-day communities.

Asking myself what do our towns lack compared to these bustling 1870's towns, the answer lies in manufacturing--production--skills/trades that are becoming lost. Yes, I realize that farming is production, and it is true that it is a skilled trade, but these young communities each have some type of manufacturing enterprise: a sash and blind manufactory, a planing mill, a mineral water manufactory, cabinet shop, a cooper shop, etc. Interestingly, there are a few productive businesses common to all three of these communities: shoemakers, tin shops, blacksmiths, and breweries.

Perhaps, it is time for us as a county, in 2019, to consider and recruit our own skilled-trade manufacturers—it might be well done to take a lesson from the history books.

## Floyd County Holiday Activities Calendar

With so many activities bombarding this Holiday Season, an activities calendar seemed to be needed. Apologies to any one or an organization that is not represented in this list; it was our goal to include any and all activities of which we could get information.

- County**  
December 10-Floyd County 4-H collecting items for Toys for Tots. Toys can be given to any 4-H'er or can be dropped off at the Agri-life Extension Office until 4 p.m. December 17th.  
December 17-Floyd County Open House. 1p.m. to 4 p.m. County Courthouse. Monday.
- Floydada**  
December 13-ACE Holiday Make 'N Take. 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. AB Duncan Elementary. Thursday.  
December 13-Santa on the Square. First Nat'l Bank Lobby. 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday.  
December 14-Floydada ISD Christmas Open House. 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday.  
December 14-First National Bank of Floydada Open House. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday.  
December 16-FUMC Cantata, 9:30 a.m. Sunday.  
December 19-Character Counts Pep Rally with special Kindergarten Christmas performance. 8:30 a.m. AB Duncan. Wednesday.  
December 19-School dismissed at 12:00 p.m. Wednesday.  
December 19-Floydada First Baptist Church Candlelight Service and Lord's Supper, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday.
- Lockney**  
December 13-Christmas Miracle on Main Street. 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday.  
December 15-Santa at Salvation Army giving away toys to area children. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. TOY DONATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14TH AT THE LOCKNEY SALVATION ARMY OFFICE ON MAIN STREET. Friday.  
December 16-San Jose Catholic Church Children's Christmas Program 9 a.m. Sunday.  
December 16-Cait's Kids Christmas Concert. 3 p.m. Floyd County Unity Center. Sunday.  
December 20-Lockney Elementary Christmas Music Program, 9:00 a.m. Lockney Elementary Cafeteria. Thursday.  
December 20-Lockney Schools dismiss at 12:30 p.m. Thursday. Classes will resume January 8, 2019.  
December 24-FUMC Christmas Eve Service. 6:00 p.m.

**AgTexas Farm Credit Services is proud to honor our Ag Youth of the Month!**

**Ethan Smith**

- Senior at Floydada High School
- Current Chapter President of Floydada FFA
- Participated in Varsity Football
- Member of various leadership and career development teams with Floydada FFA
- Active Community Volunteer

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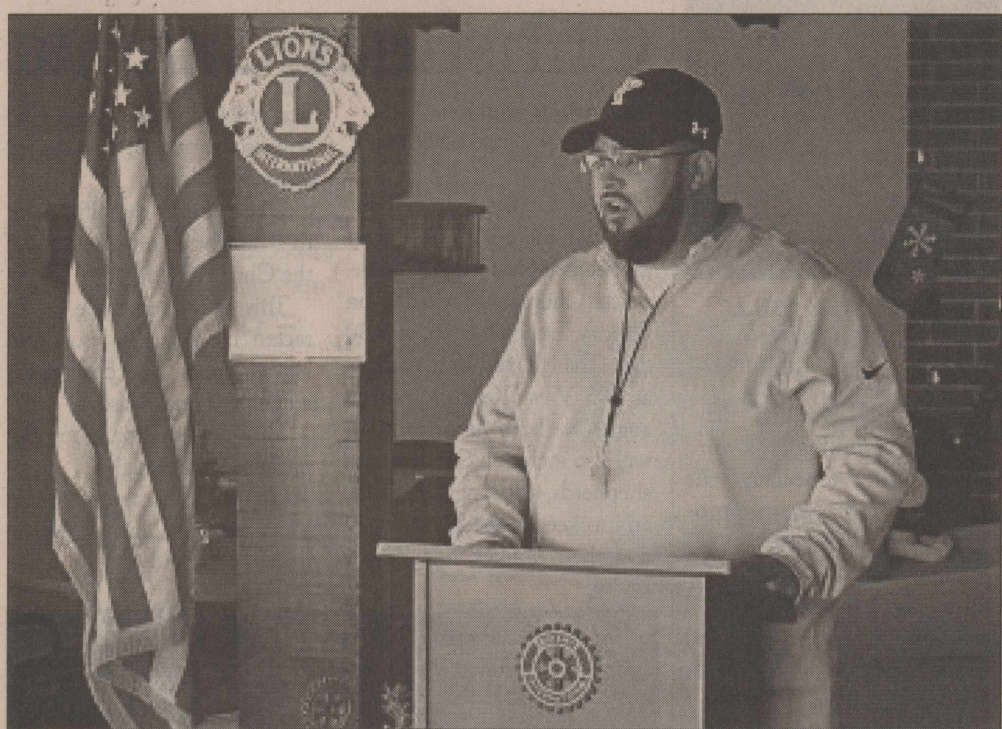
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# SOCIETY

## Floydada Rotary



Adam Zepeda, Floydada men's varsity basketball coach, spoke to the Floydada Rotary Club last Thursday.

## South Plains College to host 21st Annual Scholarship Gala

Special to the Hesperian Beacon

LEVELLAND — South Plains College will present the 21st Annual Scholarship Gala on Feb. 28 at the Mallet Event Center. This year's theme is "Unlimited Opportunities." As they have done every year of the event, City Bank Texas is serving as host of the scholarship gala.

The doors will open at 6 p.m., with dinner service starting at 6:30 p.m. Those with top-level sponsorships will enjoy a private cocktail hour from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m.

For the second year in its new venue, gala guests will be able to purchase beer and wine with all profits going to the fundraiser. As in years past, guest will enjoy a meal served at their table. Musical entertainment will be provided by select SPC student ensembles from the Creative Arts Department. Other gala events will include a silent and a live auction as well as raffles. New this year will be a Kendra Scott jewelry "pull" for which guests will purchase a chance to win an item valued at more than 2½ times the price of the ticket. Planners expect at least 35 pieces of Kendra Scott jewelry for this activity.

"The purpose of the Scholarship Gala is to raise funds for scholarships," said Julie Gerstenberger, director

of development and alumni relations. "The SPC Foundation provided more than 900 scholarship awards this academic year. For many students, scholarship support is the pivotal factor on which their decision to attend college is made. Our guests will have an enjoyable evening knowing they are helping increase opportunities for people to attend South Plains College."

One hundred percent of the Gala proceeds go directly to student scholarships.

Another highlight of the gala is the recognition of the 2019 Pacesetter Award winner. Established in 2003, the Pacesetter Award is presented annually by South Plains College on recommendation of the South Plains College Foundation Board of Directors to recognize philanthropy that has set the pace and inspired others to support SPC. The 2019 Pacesetter honorees are Mr. and Mrs. Terry and Shari Hill of Redmond, Wash.

Mrs. Gerstenberger said there are opportunities for community involvement now and until the event itself. Interested patrons are invited to purchase tables and tickets now. All sponsorships levels are the same as for the last Gala with the top two featuring a VIP Meet and Greet Cocktail Hour immediately

preceding the event. The sponsorship levels are Underwriting Partner — \$7,500; Diamond Sponsor — \$5,000; Ruby Sponsor — \$2,000; Sapphire Sponsor — \$1,000; and Gold Sponsor — \$125.

Attendees should consider purchasing their tables before this year ends. Credit Card payments may be made by phone or in person until 4 p.m. on Dec. 13 (Thursday) by calling or visiting the development office. During the college's Christmas break, credit cards may be used to purchase tables and tickets online at [www.southplainscollege.edu/donate](http://www.southplainscollege.edu/donate). Payments by check dated and postmarked by Dec. 31, 2018 will count toward 2018 tax deductions.

For assistance, call D.J. Torrez, administrative assistant to the director of development and alumni relations, at (806) 716-2019 or email [etorrez@southplainscollege.edu](mailto:etorrez@southplainscollege.edu).

SPC will open Jan. 2, 2019 at which time sponsorship reservations by phone and in person will resume. Detailed information and a printed invitation will be mailed shortly thereafter.

For information on this fundraising event or other ways to support scholarships and students at South Plains College, contact Mrs. Gerstenberger at (806) 716-2020.

## 40th Annual Candlelight at the Ranching Heritage Center

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Visitors to the National Ranching Heritage Center will step into a "living Christmas card" from 6:30 to 9 p.m. December 14-15 when the 40th Annual Candlelight at the Ranch recreates a frontier holiday similar to those on the open prairie from 1780 to 1950.

The event will include more than 4,000 luminaries lining the paths of the historic park as volunteer Ranch Hosts dress in period clothing to recreate holiday scenes from another era. The event is free to the public with a minimum suggested \$5 donation per family.

Guests enter through the front doors and proceed to Campbell Patio, where they

can buy kettle corn, hear Christmas carols provided by the Lubbock High School choir, and access the park trails of their choice.

Santa Claus greets visitors in the Pitchfork Pavilion, and Brazos West provides cowboy Christmas music with a Texas swing in the 6666 Barn. All lighted pathways are stroller and wheelchair accessible.

## Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Our menu for December will feature Chicken Fried Steak every week, either on Wednesday or Thursday. Tossed salad, mashed potatoes, green beans, dessert, tea or water will also be available. The price is right on this meal. We tenderize and bread the meat ourselves, none of that preformed meat for us! Where can you get Chicken Fried Steak for the price of \$5.00 for members, \$6.00 for non-members? Answer: Floydada Senior Citizens! Tuesday in December we will continue the \$3.00 meals. Pinto beans, BBQ on Bun, and Chili. We will also serve tossed salad, dessert, and tea or water. Remember that anyone of any age can be a member. If you choose not to be a member, you

are still welcome!

If you would like your meal delivered, we ask that you call us before 11 am, 983-2032. We deliver your meal between 11:15 and 12:00 at no extra charge. Our delivery drivers, Mike and Roger, will be happy to bring you a meal.

Our next Bingo night will be the second Tuesday of January 8. The doors will open at 5:30 and we begin play at 6:00. The Bingo Special, sandwich, chips, drink, and two bingo cards is \$5.00. All other cards, one for \$1.00, and 3 for \$2.00. Join us for a chance to win the progressive bingo money and other prizes.

Freida Dunn, BSN,ET, is present the 4th Thursday of the month for a blood pressure clinic at 11:30. Our next clinic will be Dec. 27. November clinic will not be held due to Thanksgiving holiday.

The Center is in need of horse/cattle water troughs that we can use as garden containers, so the bottoms can be rotted out. We grow a garden each year to offset the cost of food and because fresh vegetables are delicious. If you can help us with this project please call the Center.

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 December 17-21

- Monday - BBQ ribs
  - Tuesday - Chili - \$3.00
  - Wednesday - Chicken fried steak & gravy
  - Thursday - Meatloaf
  - Friday - Fried chicken
- (Menus subject to change without notice)*

## Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY — Sunday Lunch has been moved to December 16. Fajitas are on the menu.

We will be closed Monday, December 24th and Tuesday, December 25th for the Christmas holidays.

Breakfast is served here at the Center from 5:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Monday thru Fri-

day only. Lunch is served Monday thru Friday from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Be sure and call the Center by 9:30 a.m. if you would like to eat lunch at the Center. Our phone number is 806-652-2745.

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 is from 5-9 p.m. Bring a dish and a friend and enjoy games afterwards.

### MENU December 17-21

- Monday - Manager's Special
  - Tuesday - Baked potatoes
  - Wednesday - Pot pie
  - Thursday - Ham bone soup
  - Friday - Brisket
- (Menus subject to change without notice)*

## THE FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM MEMORIES 1979

### ARBY AND LETHA MULDER

By Letha Mulder

Arby Mulder was born March 24, 1914 to Oscar and Sippie Jane Mulder in Blue Ridge, Collin County, Texas. In 1919, the Oscar Mulders moved to the plains. Arby, his brother, Odell and their mother traveled as far as Childress by passenger train and on to Lockney in a Model T. mail car. Oscar Mulder moved the family's possessions, including a cow, a team of mules, a saddle horse, chickens, and household goods, in a railroad freight car. In January 1920, they moved to the Pete McDonald place at Cedar Hill, where they spent the winter in an army tent warmed by a bachelor heater. From there the Mulder family moved to Rock Creek, and eight years later the move was made to South Plains, where Arby has lived for 49 years.

Arby recalls trapping and skinning skunks for Christmas money when he was a teenager.

The hides each brought \$1-2 dollars, depending on their quality. Clayton Bond who ran the depot would ship the hides to Dallas. Arby's mother would make him bury his skunk-skinning clothes for a time to get rid of the odor.

In 1934, Arby met Letha Dolly Fitzgerald at Lucy Thornton's old place during a "Swing Party". Letha, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Fitzgerald, was born May 29, 1917 in Atoka, Oklahoma. She moved with her family to the Lone Star Community in 1930. The Fitzgeralds attended Sterley Methodist Church where Letha's daddy occasionally preached. There were seven girls and four boys in the Fitzgerald family.

Arby and Letha were married January 15, 1935, by W. W. Martin, county judge, in the Silverton Court House. Odell Mulder, now of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Mrs. Jake Honea were witnesses. Their first home was at South Plains on the "Goose Ranch," so named by Oscar Mulder because of the geese that stayed in the lake there. Nathan Mulder and his family now live on that place. A year later Arby and Letha moved to the Karr place (later the Old

Marble place) and about two years after that to the Martin place (west of what is now the Dwight Teeple Farm.)

After nine years of marriage, their son, Nathan Arby, was born January 20, 1944 in the Plainview hospital. The house was filled with friends to welcome home the new arrival. Arby's daddy decided it was time for his son to take over the farm on the Well's place. So, the Oscar Mulders moved from there to the town of South Plains. Arby, Letha, and their six-month old son moved to the Wells' place, where they now live.

About 1946, the Mulders joined the South Plains Baptist Church and are still members there.

On December 28, 1948 a daughter, Katherine Ruth, was born weighing 1 ½ pounds. The baby things Letha had prepared were much too large for tiny Kathy, so the ladies of the community worked to create a miniature wardrobe for her. Kathy is now Mrs. Jerry Taylor of Canyon, Texas and has four children.

These are a few of the many memories of Arby and Letha Mulder written down to become a part of the memories of future generations.

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF FLOYDADA CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE**

The First National Bank of Floydada will have their annual Christmas "Open House" on Friday, December 14th from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. in the Community Room. Everyone is welcome.

**THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF FLOYDADA**

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# OBITUARIES/CHURCH

## Willie Mae "Bill" Ferguson

Willie Mae "Bill" Ferguson age 92, passed away Saturday, December 8, 2018.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at the First Baptist Church of Floydada.

Interment followed the services at the Floydada Cemetery. Visitation was held from 5-7 p.m., Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at the Moore Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

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

Willie Mae "Bill" Ferguson age 92, was born in Armstrong County, Texas on November 24, 1926 to Clarence Columbus and Gertrude Dye Luttrell. She passed away on Saturday, December 8, 2018 at her residence in Floydada. The fifth child of a pioneer family, she attended school in the Wayside community and

graduated from Claude High School. While still in school, she drove a tractor towing a combine to harvest wheat and carried the crop to the elevator in a family grain truck. After graduation she moved to Amarillo where she was employed in several positions including General Mills.

Bill married Leonard Leon Ferguson on December 11, 1949 at her family home near Claude, Texas. She and Leon raised four sons, Steven Leon, Larry Gene, Tony Glenn and Robert Dean, on the family farm in the Starkey Community. She worked in the home and spent countless hours canning and freezing garden produce. She also helped transport the crop each fall, driving the grain truck and pulling cotton trailers to the gin.

Bill was active in the Starkey Home Demonstration club and assisted with the 4H club,

even teaching cooking classes to the children. She later was a member of the 1926 Study Club. She was named 2012 Floyd County Pioneer Woman of the Year during the Old Settlers celebration.

Bill was a member of the First Baptist Church of Floydada for over 65 years. She taught Sunday School for many years and worked for over 20 years in the church office before her retirement. She and Leon were married for 49 years before his death in 1999. After his death, she remained active in the church and turned her attention to sewing, making many beautiful quilts for friends and family before arthritis forced her to stop.

As her health diminished, Bill moved to the Beehive Homes of Shepard's Meadow in Floydada in May 2017. There she enjoyed visiting



WILLIE MAE "BILL" FERGUSON

with friends, reading, playing games, working crossword puzzles and especially the good food and assistance provided by the staff.

Bill is preceded in death by her husband, Leon, a son and daughter in law, Steve and Ronee Ferguson, two great-grandsons, Caysen Barnett and Mony Jack, siblings, Clarence Lee Luttrell, Novella Cagle, Nova Lee Reck, Margaret Stinsman, Mary Jane Ray and Sherwood Luttrell.

Bill is survived by her sons, Larry Ferguson of Floydada and his best friend, Cheryl Giesler of Boerne, Tony Ferguson and wife, Brenda of Spearman, and Robert and wife, Gayle of Slaton; a sister, Audene Beck of Spearman, and a brother, Travis and wife, Dana Luttrell of Claude. She has 11 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and a large number of nieces and nephews.

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

## FUMC Christmas Cantata

By Linda Matsler  
Special to the Hesperian Beacon

Good Christian friends rejoice, for there is to be a song in the air at First United Methodist Church, Floydada, on Sunday, December 16, at 9:30 a.m. There, away in a manger, at 203 West Kentucky street, angels we have heard on high will also include a cast of young shepherds, the angel Gabriel, an inn keeper, the Holy family and their donkey. The Bright

Star will be guiding Kings who will also be present to bring joy to the world.

Oh, come all ye faithful for this delightful presentation of the Christ Child's birth.

This holy happening is directed by Lou Burleson and her assistants. The choir is directed by Trina Wilson.

This presentation does not promise a silent night.

Go, tell it on the streets of Floydada and Lockney! All are invited to attend.

Over the last two years, our family has experienced God in an entirely unexpected way. Randy's diagnosis was devastating, but your prayers and support helped us face the days that followed. We even set up a Facebook page so that we could keep everyone updated, but it ended up being a way for Randy to grasp just how many people were lifting him up. That page is followed by 554 people, all sending love and prayers. What a blessing it is to live in this community. We love you all and from the bottom of our hearts, thank you.

God Bless each of you,  
The Pernell Family

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### Rejoicing in a Barren Field

Though the produce of the olive fails, and the fields yield no food; ... yet I will rejoice in the Lord.

—Habakkuk 3:17-18 (NRSV)

Farmers labor to ensure that their toil will be rewarded, that their families and communities will be well nourished. Yet no matter how diligent the laborer, sometimes crops will fail. All farmers, all prophets, and all people face circumstances beyond their control.

The book of Habakkuk was written in the midst of a difficult season in Israel's history — the Assyrians attacking them and the Babylonian conquest looming. In the first two chapters of Habakkuk we find the prophet struggling in prayer with these difficult issues. At times he even questioned God. In the end, Habakkuk chose to worship the Lord and found joy in God's

holy presence instead of in his circumstances.

I can relate. I have applied for jobs I didn't get, tried my best at relationships that did not work out, and poured all my strength into ministry only to see my dreams go unfulfilled for a time. I have learned that if our joy is found in results or our present circumstances, then we will continually second-guess ourselves and face deep frustration. But if our strength and hope are in the Lord, then even in a barren season we will be able to follow Habakkuk's example and worship God with joy.

—Phillip Catterton (Kansas)

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Dear Father, give us the perspective and the faith to praise you in the barren seasons of life. Amen.

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Wednesday - 7 p.m.

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

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

**Main Street Church of Christ**  
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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**  
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Wed. Service - 7 p.m.

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Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:40 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.  
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**San Jose Catholic Church**  
Lockney  
Rev. Renato Cruz  
Parochial Vicar - Jacob Powell  
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10 a.m. - Mass  
Wed. - 6 p.m. - Faith Formation -  
CYO to follow  
Thurs. - 6:30 pm- Evening Mass

**South Plains Baptist Church**  
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Spanish - 9:30 a.m.  
English - 11 a.m.  
Evening Service 5 p.m.  
Wednesday 7 p.m.

**St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church**  
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Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m.  
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Confession Sat - 10-11 a.m.

**Templo Bautista Salem**  
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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**  
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 5 p.m.  
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**Templo Nueva Vida**  
Rev. Herman Martinez  
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Sunday School - 10:00 A.M.  
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**Trinity Assembly**  
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Karl & Justin Brown, Pastors  
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Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Evening - 6 p.m.

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Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.



# AGRICULTURE

## Final push for 2018 Farm Bill

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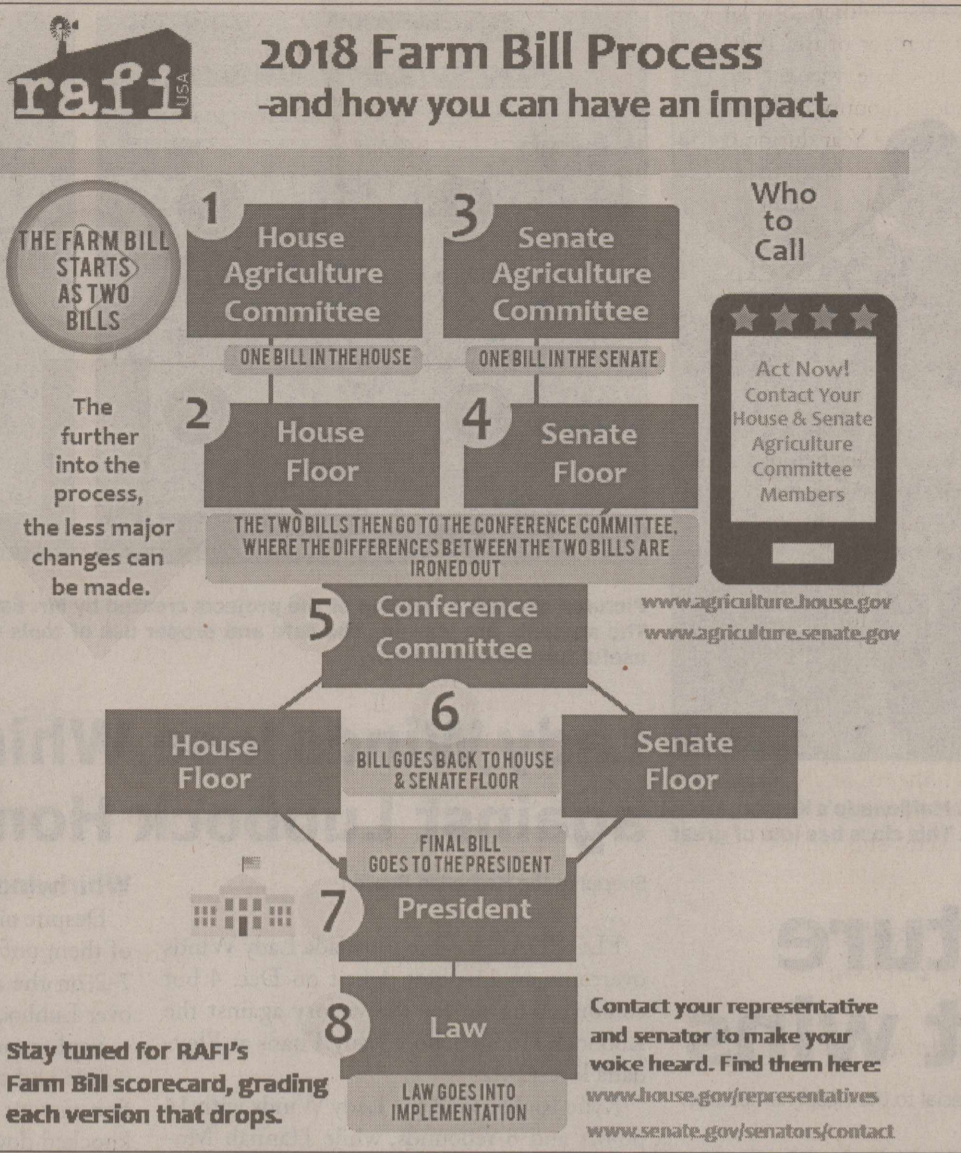
Lawmakers are poised to consider the 2018 Farm Bill this week, which would provide much-needed certainty for agriculture.

The farm bill conference committee agreement in principle sets the farm bill up for passage by the end of the year.

"Unfortunately, with the passing of President Bush, everything was kind of put on pause for folks to mourn here in Washington, but give a little more time for the committees and the Congressional Budget Office to hopefully wrap this farm bill up and an opportunity for the House and Senate to consider it (this) week," Andrew Walmsley, American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) director of Congressional Relations, said.

Agricultural groups, including AFBF and Texas Farm Bureau, have been urging Congress to pass the farm bill for the stability it provides.

"You look at where conditions are in farm country, obviously still a lot of uncertainty with challenges with markets, challenges with Mother Nature, maybe a little bit of progress on the trade front over the past few days," Walmsley said. "But it would be nice to have a little more certainty of a five-year



farm bill." Farmers and ranchers can help push the farm bill across the finish line. "It's critical to be reaching out to your member of Congress, letting them know how important it is to get this farm bill done," he said. "That average member of Congress needs that refresher that they've got a little bit of business to attend to before this lame-duck session ends, so let them know how important is for rural America to get this farm bill done this year."

## Farmers, ranchers discuss farm, food policy

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CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas —Voting delegates stamped their position on food labeling and regulatory control of imitation meat and dairy products at Texas Farm Bureau's (TFB) 85th Annual Meeting.

Eminent domain and electronic logging devices also topped the list of concerns during the policy session, which concluded yesterday in Corpus Christi.

"Food labels are a trending issue for both consumers and farmers and ranchers," TFB President Russell Boeing said. "It's an issue that's going to continue to grow, and accurate labels are essential for consumer decision-making. That's why our delegates felt it was important to establish policy for the organization."

The delegates focused on the topic and agreed on a policy position that defines clear labeling boundaries as the imitation products become more widely available.

Cell-cultured protein should not be labeled as meat, and no mixture of cell-cultured and meat from a live animal—livestock, poultry, fish and wildlife—should be labeled or marketed as "meat," according to the delegates.

Delegates voted to strengthen private property protections when landown-

ers deal with eminent domain. They said property takers should notify and serve in a timely manner all paperwork to a landowner and their legal counsel for any potential eminent domain proceeding.

They also support requiring utility companies or other entities holding an easement to return a landowner's property to the condition it was in prior to installing or replacing infrastructure.

Delegates registered opposition to federally-mandated regulations for electronic logging devices (ELD) for transportation of agricultural commodities, livestock and small fleet operators.

In addition, delegates voted to strengthen border security and support virtual fencing as a means to do so.

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If you haven't noticed, I tend to have my hands in a lot of different projects all at the same time. Often, these different activities have to do with gardening, and although most people tend to wind-down their backyard growing efforts, my brain kicks into full gear during the cold months. So, when Terry came home this weekend to find me peering into a plastic tub of moistened, shredded paper and dirt I had to explain that I was preparing the home for our new worm community.

"A worm farm... why?" I excitedly answered. "These worms will work to compost our kitchen scraps, turning all of that into a rich mass of poo which can then be turned into a tea and used as a probiotic fertilizer on our vegetable gardens, flower gardens and our house plants. Plus, I've never done this before and I want to see how it works."

Terry looked at me with his understanding smile. "And," I added, "these worms will multiply so we will have plentiful bait for fishing!"

Bingo!! I had him hooked. (Pun unintended.)

So, let me explain the process. You will need one deep, plastic tub and a second shallow tub in which the larger tub sits into the shallow one. Use a drill and place a few 1/8-inch holes into the bottom of the large tub to allow for some seepage—you don't want your worms to drown. While you have the drill out, put several holes up toward the top rim to allow for some air circulation. This box should have a lid that fits tightly. The next step is to place some fabric window screening on the bottom of the tub to keep the

worms from wandering out of their comfy condo.

Now, we create the habitat for our residents. On top of the screen, place 3-4 inches of shredded paper. We will be adding shredded paper to the condo on a weekly basis. Lightly cover the paper with a shallow layer of dirt, and then sprinkle this base with water until it is soaked, but not flowing out into the shallow tub.

It's time to adopt your worms! Red-Wigglers are the preferred worm-farm variety because they are proven winners for composting. In the middle of winter, the best place to shop for worms is Walmart. Their temporary home is in a refrigerator in the Sports Department. While choosing the worms, open up those containers and choose a bunch that is wriggling around a bit—you don't want to end up buying a bunch of dying worms.

Once you have placed the worms into their warm, moist home, let them alone for a week so they can get acclimated to their larger space.

After a week, kitchen scraps can be introduced to the colony. As the worms do their business, they will get regular inputs of shredded paper, tea bags, potato peels and other biodegradable kitchen waste.

The seepage is the gold, and it can be sucked out of the shallow tub, diluted 50%/50% with water and fed to your thirsty plants. In addition, the newly-made soil can be put into a bundle and seeped in water overnight. With this process, a large amount of 'tea' can be created for use over larger areas.

And that's it! Such an easy process, and your plants will



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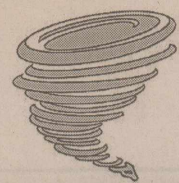
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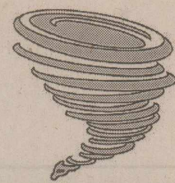
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# Floydada Whirlwinds



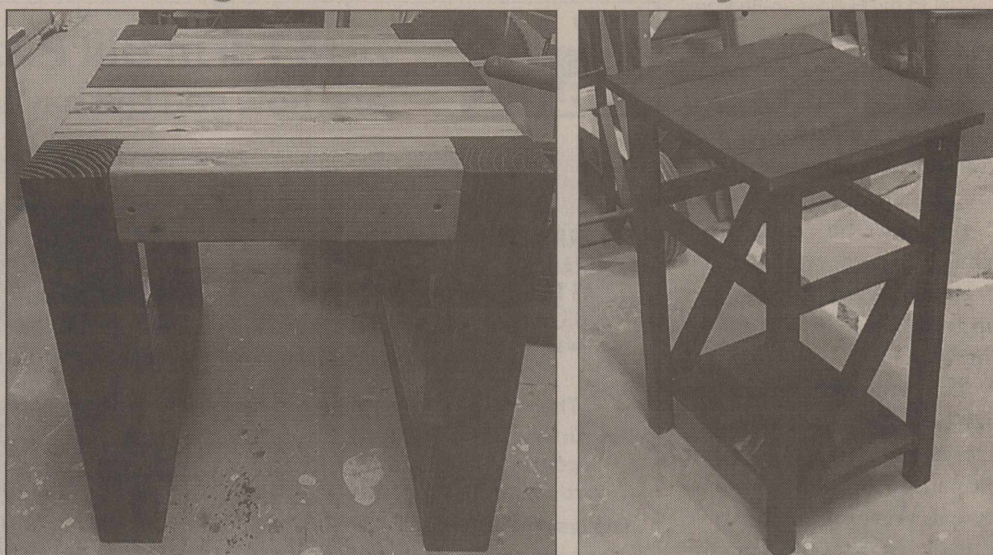
## AB Duncan Kindergarten



Courtesy Photo

Dr. Trevino participated in Spelling Basketball with students in Mrs. Maldonado's Kindergarten class today. Students have been learning about digraphs in words. This class has lots of great spellers and readers!

## Building Trades Class Projects



Courtesy Photos

Pictured are just a fraction of the projects created by Mr. Espinoza's Building Trades classes. The students are learning the safe and proper use of tools used in carpentry while creating useful furniture and décor.

## Whirlwinds capture two tournament wins

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### Whirlwinds 72, Motley County 19

FLOYDADA - Ten Whirlwinds found the bottom of the net Thursday, combining for 72 points in a big first round win over Motley County at the Whirlwind Tournament.

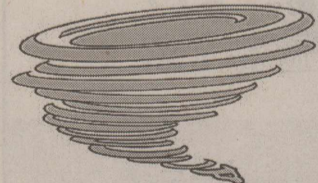
Juniors Garrett Hobbs had 16, Marcus Perez finished with 13 and Senior Jerry Reyes added 10 as the #23 ranked Winds improved to 8-2 with 72-19 victory.

### Whirlwinds 76, Idalou 53

FLOYDADA - Four Whirlwinds scored in double-digits Friday night as Floydada cruised to a 76-53 victory over Idalou. The win in the second round of the Whirlwind Tournament was good enough to ensure a trip to the championship game which was canceled due to weather.

Garrett Hobbs had a double-double with 16 points and 15 rebounds, Marcus Perez knocked down 15, Quincy Gonzales had 14 and Jerry Reyes ended the night with 10.

The 23rd-ranked Whirlwinds travel to Idalou Dec. 14 then will travel to Bovina on Dec. 18 and will play in the Caprock Tournament Dec. 27-29 in Lubbock.



## Lady Winds lose, Whirlwinds win against Lubbock Home School

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FLOYDADA - The Floydada Lady Winds overcame an 11-point deficit on Dec. 4 but couldn't hang on for the victory against the Lubbock Home School Lady Titans as Floydada lost 42-32.

Kylie Ricketts led the Lady Winds with 14 points and 6 rebounds, while Hannah Morales added 6 in the losing effort.

The Lady Titans were led by Megan Simpson who scored 17 points and added 5 rebounds and five steals in the win, while Ellie Bruffey contributed 9 points and 8 rebounds.

### Whirlwinds 68, Titans 57

Despite nine fourth quarter turnovers, most of them unforced, Floydada still improved to 7-2 on the season with a 68-57 win Dec. 4 over Lubbock Homeschool Titans.

Sophomore Quincy Gonzales scored 20 points and added 10 rebounds in Floydada's first victory over the Titans. Garrett Hobbs knocked down 19 points and 8 rebounds and Marcus Perez had 14 points, 8 rebounds and 4 steals on the night.

The Titans were led by Hunter Simpson who led all scorers with 28 points and 10 rebounds.

## Lady Winds capture two tournament wins

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### Lady Winds 45, All Saints 21

FLOYDADA - The Floydada Lady Winds opened the first round of the Whirlwind Classic Thursday with a 45-21 win over Lubbock All Saints.

The Lady Patriots hit first, but with five minutes left in the first, Floydada went on a 26-4 run.

Seniors Kylie Ricketts and Kiarra Collins both scored 12 for the Lady Winds, Lindsey Marquez added 6, and Emily Cisneros crashed the boards and finished with 7 rebounds.

All Saints couldn't overcome 37 turnovers even with 9 points and 6 rebounds from Katie Bayouth.

### Lady Winds 44, Motley County 27

FLOYDADA - The Floydada Lady Winds hit early and hard en route to a 44-27 victory over Motley County Friday in the Whirlwind Classic. The win moved Floydada into the Championship Round on Saturday, but weather canceled the event.

Senior Kierra Henderson had a big night with 16 points and 8 rebounds, while Gina Vega and Kylie Ricketts both added 6 points each.

The Lady Matadors were led by Nellie Shannon who notched a double-double with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Floydada hosts Crosbyton Friday night then travels to Bovina Dec. 18 and will play in the Wellman-Union Tournament Dec. 27-29.

## Reality Hits 2019 Seniors

By Amber Morales  
FHS Journalism

With Christmas almost here, and the first semester of the school year quickly coming to an end, Seniors are having to face the impending end of their time in high school and the beginning of their futures. Oftentimes, an emotional point for graduating seniors, this transition time can also be some of the most fulfilling and reward-

ing months of their lives.

Allison Muniz, a senior at FHS said, "Personally, I feel like it hasn't really hit me that this is my last year here. I'm really looking forward to graduation and going to college but at the same time, I know I will miss it here when the final bell rings."

Jonah Trevino, another senior at FHS stated, "I'm honestly not trying to think about this being my last year. I know if I look at it that way,

it'll make my last year harder than it should be. After high school I plan on attending South Plains College in the fall and give the music program a try. If I enjoy what it has to offer, I plan to transfer to UT to obtain a bachelor's degree in music."

Although a small sample of the senior class, there is no doubt that the majority of the members are facing comparable challenges and rewards to planning what comes next in their futures.

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# Lockney Longhorns

## Lockney Elementary students place 4th in UIL Meet

**By Jean Anne Williams**  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Lockney Elementary School students placed 4th overall in the UIL Meet on Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at Post Elementary in Post Texas. Six schools were in attendance, Lockney, Floydada, Ralls, New Deal, Hale Center and Post.

Results are below:

**4th grade Art** - Team 3rd place- Bo Alvis, Alondra Trenado, Hannah Salazar  
**5th grade Art** - Team 3rd place - Coltin Gaither, Isabella Leos, Giovanni Perez  
**4th/5th grade Chess** - Nayiahlee Vasquez - 6th place  
**2nd grade Creative Writing** - Quinn Ward - 1st place, Yadira

Naranjo - 2nd place, Noe Menchaca - 4th place  
**5th grade Dictionary Skills** - Nick Cervantes; Team - 3rd place - Becca Blair, Nick Cervantes, Mireyiah Lara, Adrielle Martinez  
**5th grade Maps Charts Graphs** - Nick Cervantes - 1st place, Coltin Gaither - 2nd place, Aatrayu Leal - 6th place, Team 1st Place - Nick Cervantez, Coltin Gaither, Aatrayu Leal, Aliyah Zavala  
**5th grade Listening Skills** - Adrielle Martinez - 6th place  
**3rd grade Music Memory** - Team 3rd place - Janae Zavala, Teagan Rogers, Caycen Wright, Adyson Cortez  
**4th grade Music Memory** - Team 4th place - Torii Luna, Aaliyah Harper  
**2nd grade Oral Reading** - Jill Wilson - 1st place  
**3rd grade Oral Reading** - Lily Jimenez - 5th place, Jared Phares - 6th place

**4th grade Oral Reading** - Hannah Kasner - 5th place  
**3rd grade Ready Writing** - Zylee Castillo - 4th place  
**4th grade Ready Writing** - Aaliyah Harper - 6th place  
**5th grade Ready Writing** - Daniel Alvarado - 1st place  
**3rd grade Spelling** - Caycen Wright - 4th place, Janae Zavala - 5th place, Aaren Rexrode - 6th place, Team 2nd place - Aaren Rexrode, Teagan Rogers, Caycen Wright, Janae Zavala  
**4th grade Spelling** - Aaliyah Harper - 4th place, Team 3rd place - Aaliyah Harper, Natalie Gonzalez, Alondra Trenado  
**5th grade Social Studies** - Adrian Jimenez - 6th place, Team 3rd place - Adrian Jimenez, Mireyiah Lara, Adrielle Martinez, Nayiahlee Vasquez  
**2nd grade Storytelling** - Jill Wilson - 6th place  
**3rd grade Storytelling** - Jared Phares - 1st place

## Lady Horns defeat Sudan 44-42

**By Charles Keaton**  
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SUDAN - Overtime was needed and Madai Chavira responded by hitting four of six from the free throw line to lead the Lockney Lady Horns to a 44-42 victory over the Sudan Nettes on Tuesday, Dec. 4.

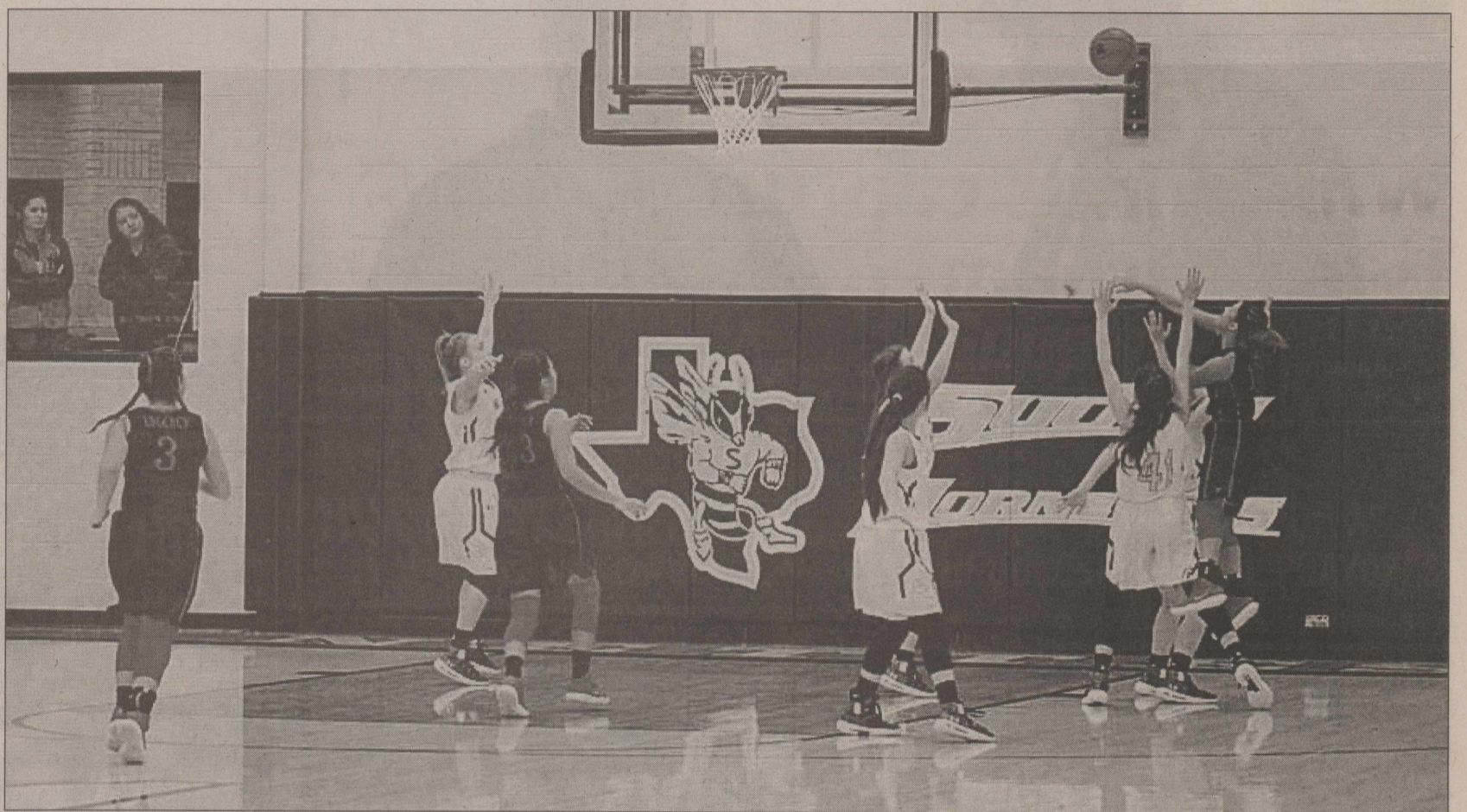
The Lady Horns jumped out to a 16-9 lead after the first quarter behind six points from Townlie Hernandez and Reagan Nuncio.

Sudan fought back in the second scoring by holding Lockney to only three while Sital led the way with six points in the quarter and the Nettes took a 21-19 lead at the half.

In the third quarter, the Lady Horns jumped back in the lead, 33-27 behind eight points from Nuncio.

The Nettes pushed the game to overtime by outscoring Lockney 11-5 as Wallace scored five points to help Sudan tie it at 38-38 after four quarters.

In the overtime period, Chavira went four of six from the line as Lockney



Senior Reagan Nuncio put up the buzzer-beater winning shot in the Lady Horns' win over Sudan. The Ladies scored 44 hard-fought points to Sudan's 42 points. Courtesy Photo

outscored Sudan 6-4 to win the game 44-42.

Lockney was led in scoring by Nuncio with 18,

Hernandez had 10, Chavira had seven, Jayda Rosales had three and Ryann Castillo, Gabby Cervantes and

Yanelle Bernal each added two points.

For Sudan, Tolbert had 13, Sital had 10, Wallace had

eight, Cantu had six, Goen had three and Herrera had two.

Lockney played New Deal

on Dec. 12 and will host the Lockney Tournament Dec. 14-16 and will play Plainview Christian Dec. 18.

### Lockney Junior High Basketball Roundup

**By Charles Keaton**  
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**Seventh Grade Girls**

Hale Center 30, Lockney 19 - Leading Scorer: Aubrey Urrutia, 6 points

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Lunch - Hamburger or Cheeseburger, Oven Fries, Veggie Cup, Mixed Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, Dec. 18

Breakfast - Breakfast Combo or PBJ, Juice, Fruit, Milk  
Lunch - Tex-Mex Stack, Beans, Tomato Cup, Salsa, Garnish, Peaches, Milk

Wednesday, Dec. 19

Breakfast - Chicken & Waffles or Parfait, Juice, Fruit, Milk  
Lunch - Pizza Pocket, Marinara Sauce, Steamed Veggies, Garden Salad, Cinnamon Apples, Cookie, Milk

Thursday, Dec. 20

Breakfast - Stuffed Bagel or Pancakes, Sausage, Juice, Fruit, Milk  
Lunch - Rancho Wrap or Pot Pie, Broccoli, Veggie Cup, Snowball Salad, Milk

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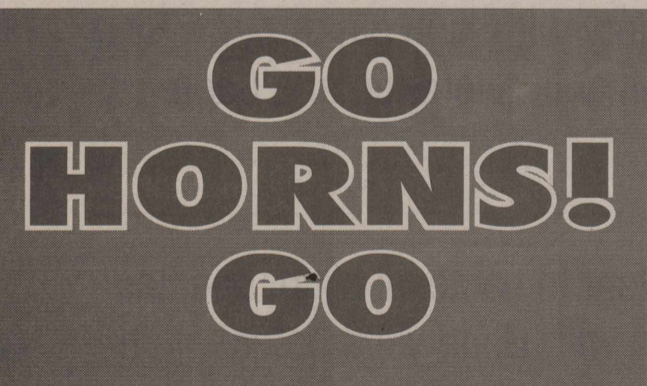
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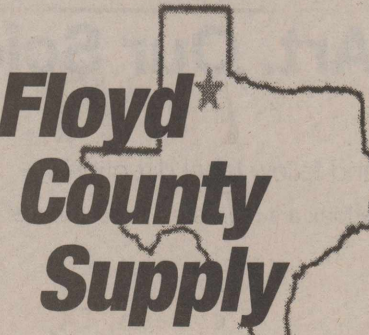
  
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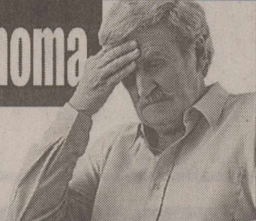
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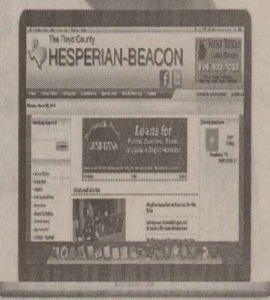
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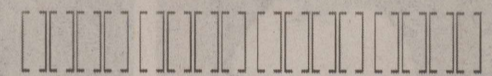
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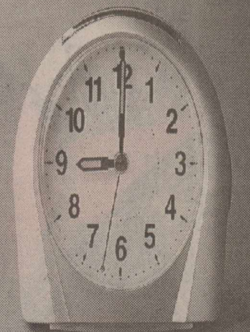
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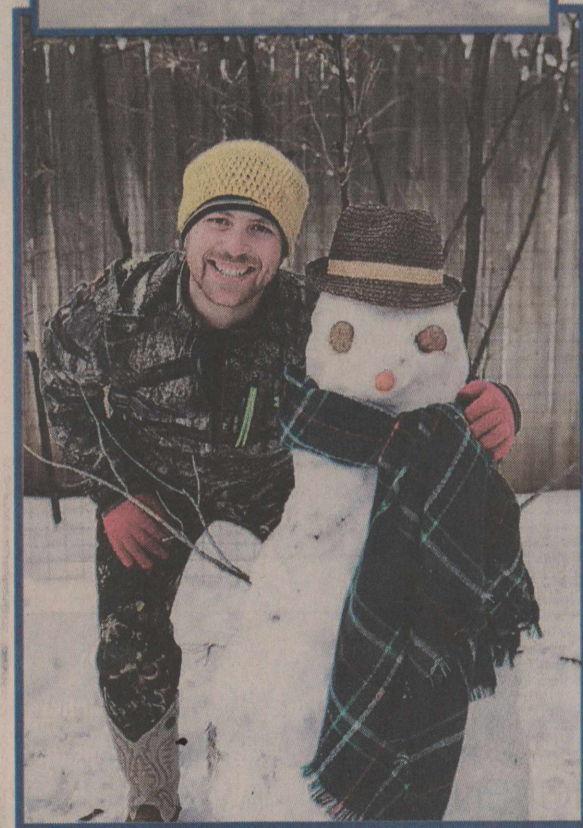
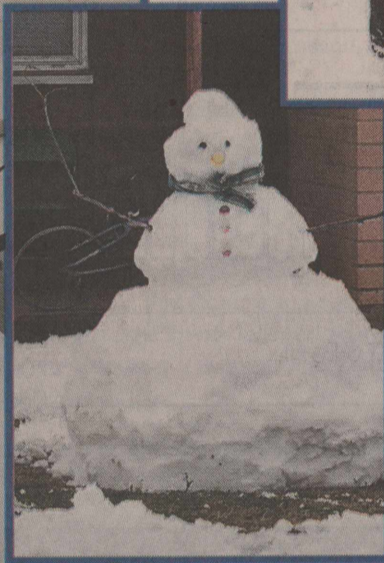
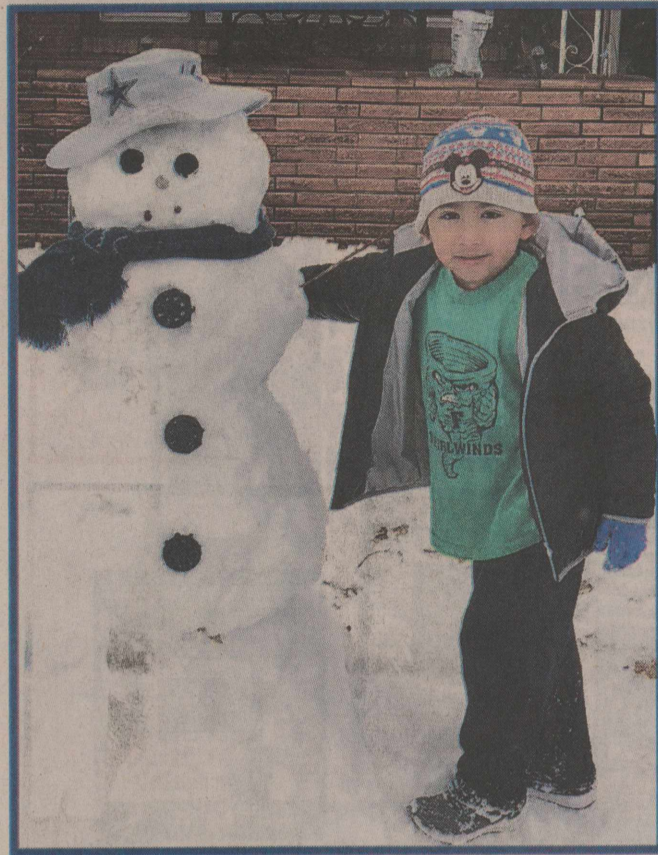
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# Floyd County's Snowmen

Photos by Deon Fincher/Hesperian-Beacon

With the record-breaking snowfall that we received on Friday night, it is no wonder that snowmen popped up all over the county! While out scouting for snowmen, some of the architects were still in-process on their creations and were caught on camera; or, specific Facebook photos stood out and needed to be included. Interestingly, it was found that the adults seemed to be just as enchanted with snowman building as the younger crowd. All in all, a host of diverse snowmen delighted this photographer! Check out our Facebook page for more snow fun from Saturday-Deon Fincher, Editor.



You are invited to our annual  
**Christmas Open House**  
 Monday, December 17, 2018  
 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
 Floyd County Courthouse, 1st floor

## NOTES From Page 1

Unwrapped toys will be accepted for babies up to children in the 5th grade. The deadline to donate toys will be Friday, Dec. 14, as Santa will be at the Salvation Army on Saturday, Dec. 15 to give the toys to children in our community. Last Christmas, 180 children received toys from Santa from the Lockney Salvation Army, so be sure to drop off your toys by Friday, Dec. 14!

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### FLOYDADA FUMC CHRISTMAS CANTATA

The First United Methodist Church in Floydada will be having their Christmas Cantata, directed by Lou Burleson and Trina Wilson, on December 16th at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to attend.

### FLOYDADA FUMC CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

The Floydada First United Methodist Church will have their annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on Monday, December 24th at 6 p.m. The community is invited to attend.

### FLOYDADA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

The First Baptist Church of Floydada will hold their Candlelight Service and Lord's Supper on Wednesday, December 19th at 6:30 p.m. The community is invited to attend.

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