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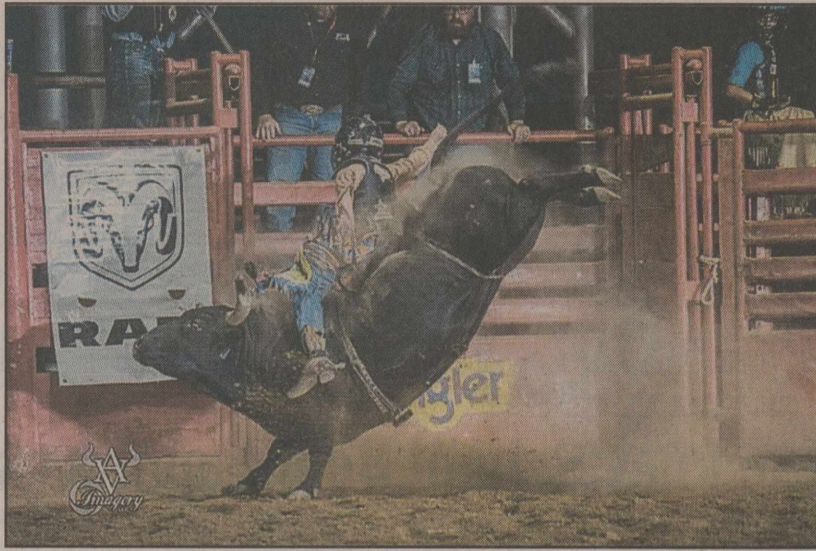
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THIS WEEKEND — MINIATURE BUCKING BULL EVENT IN LOCKNEY

MINI-BUCKING BULLS SET TO CHALLENGE MANY BUCKING RIDERS



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BRAYDEN BROWN riding Hemi.

By Deon Fincher
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LOCKNEY, TX – The adrenaline-fueled, non-stop action of Miniature Bull Riding featuring the best of the youngest bull riders from around the world challenging the fiercest miniature bucking bulls in the toughest 8-second sport is coming to Lockney, Texas this weekend and no one should miss this contest.

The MBR (Miniature Bull Riding), which features young talent between the ages of 8-13, was founded in 2011 by mini-bull stock

contractors Cirildo and Lillie Leal of Lockney, Texas, and has since grown to a league of more than 50 up-and-coming athletes. The competition circuit which drew the support of two-time PBR (Professional Bull Riding) World Champion Chris Shivers (Jonesville, Louisiana) in 2012, is structured with three age divisions: Pee Wee (8-9 year-olds), Junior (10-11 year-olds) and the Seniors (12-13 year-olds).

The small agricultural community located northeast of Lubbock, Texas isn't "all about bull-riding." In fact, there isn't a Lockney son (or daughter) that competes on

this global circuit, at least not yet. "But we'd love to have a local celebrity!" stated Cirildo Leal, founder of MBR.

"I believe in my heart that it is good for the kids," explains Leal. "It teaches them discipline, work-ethic, and gives them healthy context in a world that's gone crazy."

Lillie Leal, wife of Cirildo, and the true reason miniature bull riding is in the tiny West Texas town added, "Plus, the kids learn that manners—saying 'Yes, ma'am' and 'No, sir'—as well as treating others with respect even if they are competitors, are expected. These kids

are all learning positive life-lessons, here."

This is a tough sport! The bulls are smaller, but go stand next to one and you'll see that the animals are not unlike their powerful big brothers in professional bull riding. The riders are smaller than the professionals, as well. At 8, 10, even 12 years old, those hormones haven't yet kicked in that become a factor in upper-body-strength. What hasn't gotten smaller is the time a rider must cover their bull—that 8 second ride of twists and turns, rolls and kicks—that 8 seconds is still the longest in sports.

Don't be misled—this is not just a local event played out with kids with a wild streak. Since MBR held its first finals in 2012, several stars of the PBR have passed through its

ranks. Reigning Rookie of the Year, Keyshawn Whitehorse (McCracken Springs, Utah), set to compete for Team USA, was the 2012 Senior Reserve World Champion. Rising Star, 18-year-old, Cannon Cravens (Porum, Oklahoma) was the first two-time champion in MBR history—as the 2012 Junior World Champion and the 2014 Senior World Champion.

"The smaller frame of the bulls is perfect for those kids that have set their sights on riding bulls to get started," said Lillie. "We have specific ones for the Senior contenders that we wouldn't let Pee-Wee contenders ride. We understand that, although this is competition, for a lot of prize money, that it is also a 'training period' for the riders and

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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.

HESPERIAN-BEACON JULY 4TH DELIVERY

Due to the 4th of July holiday, next week's Hesperian-Beacon edition will arrive in mailboxes on Friday, July 5th. The edition will be available in store racks on Wednesday afternoon, July 3rd.

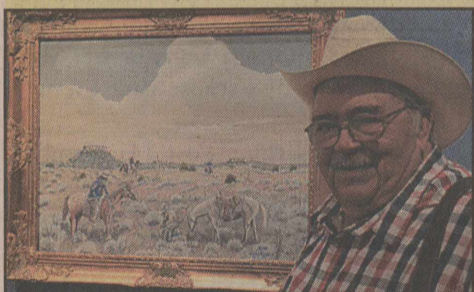
LOCKNEY'S FOURTH OF JULY PARADE

LOCKNEY'S ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY Kids' Parade will take Main Street on Thursday, July 4th. Line-up is at the Mainstreet Church of Christ parking lot at 9:30 a.m. with a parade start at 10:00 a.m.

LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

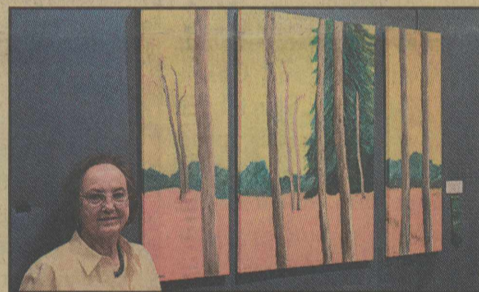
The Lockney Senior Citizens Center will hold a "Domino Tournament" on July 13th. Registration will begin at 7 a.m. with games starting at 9 a.m. Prizes will be awarded to 1st place, 2nd place and 3rd place winners.

Floyd County Artists take honors in Plainview Art Show



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JOHN REDDING with his painting "Mackenzie Scouts" which depicts the moment the tide turned on General Ranald Mackenzie's campaign push the Comanche Indians back to the Oklahoma Reservation, ending the plunder of Texas livestock by Indian raiders from Mexico.



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Jo Goen with her artistic creation, "Trunks."



LETESHA GAITHER'S paintings projecting honor and duty to our nation. "Statue of Liberty" and "Eagle" were both awarded Honorable Mentions in the Plains Art Association 2019 Spring Art Show.

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PLAINVIEW - The winners of the Plains Art Association's 58th Annual Juried Spring Celebration of Art were recently selected with

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Rep. Springer schedules local Town Hall Meetings

By Deon Fincher
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WASHINGTON, D.C. – With the closing of our country's legislative sessions, Representative Drew Springer has posted his schedule of Town Hall Meetings covering his area's constituency.

Dates and locations are listed below:

Monday, June 24th: Gainesville (joining Senator Pat Fallon) from 12:00 PM until 1:00 PM at North Central Texas College (100 Building, Board Room), 1525 W. California Street, Gainesville, TX 76240.

Tuesday, July 9th: Vernon from 9:00 AM until 10:00 AM at Wilberger Auditorium (Forum Room), 2100 Yamparika Street, Vernon, Texas 76384; Paducah from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Paducah Community Center (Youth Center), 711 Richards Street, Paducah, Texas 79248; Floydada from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM at Floyd County Memorial Library, 111 S. Wall Street, Floydada, Texas 79235; Post from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM at Post Community Room (Youth Center), 129. W Main Street, Post, Texas 79356.

Representative Springer feels strongly that Town Halls are a way to meet face-to-face and share ideas and discuss specific legislative issues. He encourages everyone to attend their local meeting.

Springer will be visiting each of the counties in his constituency in the coming months. For any additional information, email info@votedrewspringer.com or call his Office at (940)567-2827.

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American Legion Post #141 focus on Youth

By Deon Fincher
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LOCKNEY - The monthly meeting of the American Legion Post #141 took place last Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Lockney Community Center.

Upon calling the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer for guidance, the business of the annual Gun Raffle was brought forth. Commander Ed Marks described the four guns that would be included in the raffle. The tickets will be sold throughout the summer, the winning tickets being drawn in August during Lockney's Old Fashion Saturday.

The next point of business was the recent Impact Day that was initiated by the American Legion Post to interact with students from Lockney High School-- a morning full of 'strategic challenges' for the students, directed by Post members, coaches and teachers. "Those kids had a blast!" commented member Bill Turner. "For just a few hours, they didn't have to worry about school-work, they relaxed, and their whole outlook on life changed...it was a good day!"

Commander Marks recounted his meeting with Superintendent Baum regarding opportunities in which veterans and Post members could be afforded time with some of the students. "Superintendent Baum asked us to focus on three specifics: 1) Spiritual growth, 2) self-confidence, 3) teaching and mentoring excellence. I know we can do that!" stated Marks. "On the school grounds...may be fairly limited, but I fully believe that some of these kids just need someone to listen to them, and someone that will tell them the truth-even if it's the hard truth."

Input was put forth from the members in attendance, and the discussion closed with a rallying call for volunteers to help bring the ideas to fruition.

Commander Marks reported that he had been approached by the DAR (Daughters of American Revolution) Chapter asking what they could do to assist the Post. He discussed with them their contribution to researching every one of the KIA veterans buried in the Memorial Park. Once gathered, those stories can be memorialized in stone.

Members covered details for changing the flags at Memorial Park so new ones will be placed before The 4th of July. Member Turner mentioned the new benches that were made by one of the Boy Scouts.

Commander Marks asked if there was any knowledge of any veterans that needed assistance. It was mentioned that Roy Ray could use some visitors and some general moral uplifting.

The meeting was closed with the colors being retired and a group prayer.

Lockney School Board approves raises

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Meeting in regular session on Thursday, June 27, the Lockney ISD Board of Trustees approved the new salary structure as provided by HB3 for the 2019 Texas Legislature. In addition, the Board added \$1000 for professionals on top of the new base salary of \$33,660. Support personnel will also see a salary increase.

"Although the Board had to approve the new base salary structure from the State, they went above and beyond by adding the additional \$1000 for the professionals," Superintendent Jim

Baum said. "We appreciate their action on this, especially knowing the HB3 also requires a reduction in taxes. Our Board works diligently for all of our District and their willingness to the approve the additional funding, even though we don't know the entire impact of HB3, shows their support of our people."

In other actions, the Board approve the payment of bills and financial report for \$4,313,444.74. The Board also voted to keep Mike Lass as President, Billy Lefevre as Vice President and Charles Keaton as Board Secretary.

The Board also approved

TASB Policy Update #113 and a budget amendment to add a budget line for support personnel for summer school.

The Superintendent updated the Board on personnel. Baum accepted the resignations of Pam Fulton, Adrianna Corrales and Todd and Candace Korchenko. Baum also announced the hiring of Betty Garcia for HS Science, Ashley McCutcheon for HS Math, Alfonso Bernal for JH English Language Arts (ELA), Anthony Garza for JH Special Ed and Coach, Jennifer King for Elementary ELA, Charles Bale for HS ELA and Coach, Devin Caballero for JH Social Studies and Coach and Tammie Williams for Elementary Math. Current vacancies include JH Computers and Coach, HS Math, HS Special Ed and two Elementary positions.

Baum also updated the Board on summer projects including the new awning at the Junior High, painting of the Junior High, new playground equipment and fencing at the Elementary and addressing drainage issues around the baseball and softball fields in addition to other projects around the District.

Board members in attendance included Lass, Lefevre, Keaton, Chad Cook, Tyler Kidd, Dahlen McCarter and Heath Rexrode. Also present along with Superintendent Baum were Business Manager Naomi Jones and Fred Cervantes.

The Board will next meet on July 30 at 7:00 P.M.

About Town

Last Thursday evening, Yelena Serrato and I walked into the Lockney Community Center and took our seats with members of the Lockney American Legion Post 141. It was time for us to become objective reporters. That was the plan, anyway. It became apparent in the first few minutes that 'the plan' would not be feasible--there was too much reality in the room.



DEON FINCHER

Veteran Gary Graham was seated directly in front of me, right beside Bill Turner. Gary was pointing at a page in a book, telling Bill to read the story. Upon seeing us sit, Gary turned around and explained that the story in the book was about a Vietnam veteran that had been reported dead on two occasions, but had, in fact, not died at all. He had written his own account of this for the book of personal stories. (Gov. Abbott has pledged to make this special book available to all Texas veterans that served in Vietnam.)

A few pages were turned, and Gary pointed at another page saying, "Ain't that right! There was a many a' time that a soldier's uniform was rotting off of 'im." He went on to describe the humidity, rain, mud and the many environmental elements, all in addition to the rigors of moving through jungles in a time of war. To say I was humbled as I listened is an understatement.

The meeting was called to order by a weary Ed Marks. He explained that he had been in class all day in instruction for Military burial ceremony protocol. "I've been dealing with death all day and it's put me in a bad mood." I quickly scanned through my day's activities--kiss from husband, play with dogs, general phone calls for work, contacting advertisers, running to an activity to take pictures, making appointments, a jaunt through the gardens--pulling some weeds, training some vines, and doing some watering, tying up a story, writing a meeting report, and enjoying a call from a good friend...nothing terribly as heavy as graveside protocol.

As the meeting proceeded, a common thread of discussion emerged: "What can we do as veterans to help guide and mentor the children in our community?"

Already the Post members hosted an 'Impact Day' during the last weeks of school with the high school students using 'strategic challenges' to teach leadership skills and encourage bonding. Members discussed and volunteered to help kids paint the City's fire hydrants if approved by the City Manager. During the upcoming Clean-up week, volunteers were called for to work closely with individual youngsters, providing support, friendship, and a non-judgmental ear. Discussion was initiated regarding bullying within the schools and through social media, the veterans appealing for ideas and 'bodies' that can interact with the community's children and talk, guide, and teach the benefits of a principled daily walk.

And if concern for and action to assist Lockney's youngsters isn't enough, the meeting was closed with a call for any known veterans that need assistance.

Selflessness. The entire 'business meeting' was centered around selflessness.

If ANYONE is looking to strengthen their roots to this community, to 'get their hands dirty' in sincere and humble action, contact Judge Ed Marks at the Precinct/American Legion Office on Main Street. Your age won't matter, your race won't be judged--but be ready because your life will change.

To each and every American Legion Post 141 member, I applaud your efforts, your concern, your intent to make change. May each of us look inside our own hearts and learn from your example.

Especially to our Lockney readers, seek out Roy Ray--he needs some hugs, handshakes and some joyful bolstering.

Arrington Holds Press Conference on Crisis at the Southern Border

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

WASHINGTON - Today, Congressman Jodey Arrington (TX-19) held a press conference with fellow Texas Republican Members on the security and humanitarian crisis on the Southern border. At the press conference, Congressman Arrington called on Speaker Pelosi and Democrats in the House to put politics aside and pass the Senate emergency aid package so it can be sent to the President and signed into law. Joining Congressman Arrington at the press conference were Representatives Kay Granger (TX-12), Kevin Brady (TX-8), Mike Conaway (TX-11), Brian Babin, (TX-36), Pete Olson (TX-22), Roger Williams (TX-25), Louie Gohmert (TX-1), and Ron Wright (TX-6).

"Nobody understands the level of crisis we're in at the border like Texans. This President has repeatedly reached out in good faith to

our Democratic counterparts and Speaker Pelosi pleading her to provide the resources we need to provide humane services and basic care to folks who are detained while being processed in our immigrant courts. If those individuals are found to be here unlawfully without a credible asylum claim, they will be deported back to their home country," said Arrington.

Meanwhile, there is an absolute meltdown going on and the leadership of the Nancy Pelosi-led House is also on meltdown. It should be an easy one for us in terms of how we treat people who are being detained. There should be no question with respect to America's values and how we do that. We have a crisis with respect to the security of our citizens and we have a crisis with how we treat the folks who are being detained. The latter one should be very straightforward: the Senate proved it was straightforward and passed a bipartisan bill to give the President what he has asked for almost 60 days and that Republicans in the House have presented to the Speaker 18 times."

Following the press conference, the House passed the Senate-amended humanitarian aid package on a strong bi-partisan basis, 305-102, sending it to the President's desk for signature.

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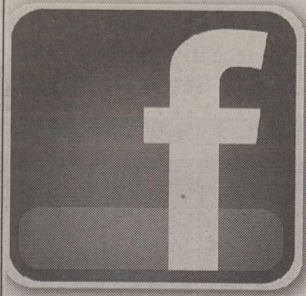
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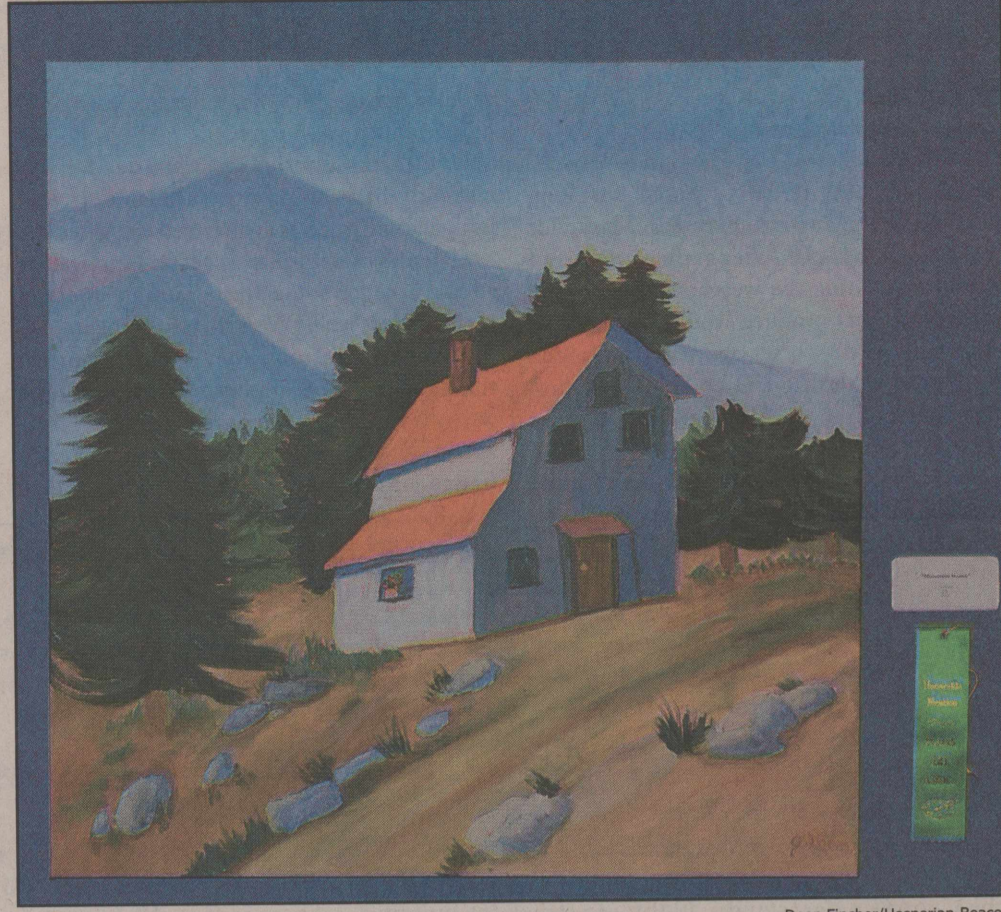
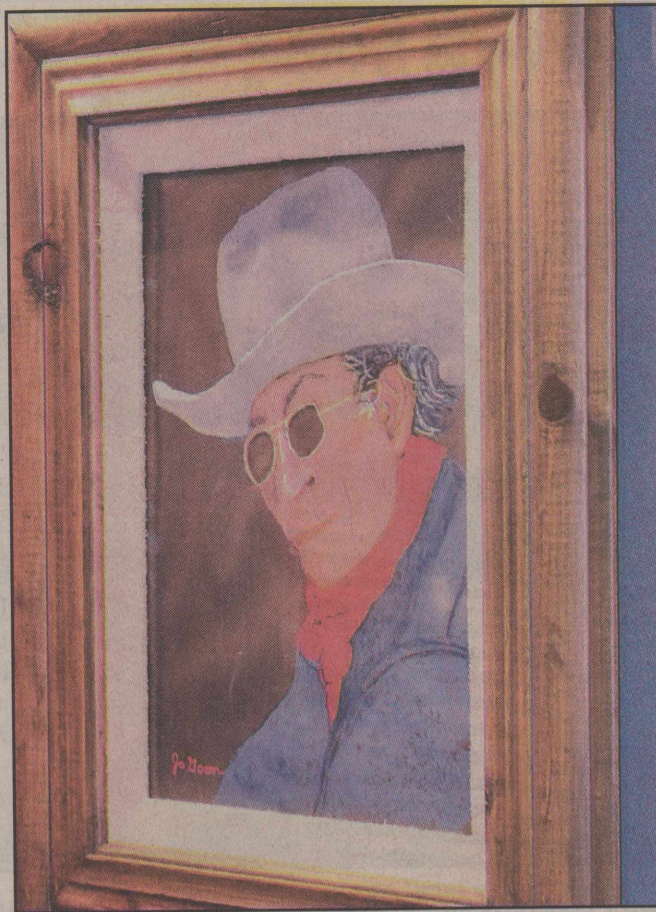
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ART
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Floyd County artists well represented.

John Redding's 2017 Acrylic entitled "Mackenzie Scouts" depicts the excitement of the moment when the Comancheros' cart-tracks were found, which in turn, led them to the Comanche camp. "Most of my paintings are going to be along that historical line. I'm an Indian buff from way back—I have a lot of artifacts—been searching for them forever—and have studied Indians all my life." In any piece of creative work, there is always one spot, one element that is 'just right.' It was no different with this painting—"The Indian scout, the one that's horseback and is looking down...I nailed that one!" John has another painting already started, "...along the same lines." Some of John's pieces can be seen at the Floyd County Historical Museum in Floydada as well as in the Comanchero Canyons Museum in Quitaque, and prints are made for sale. Notecard sets of some of his paintings are also available. John has already picked up his paintbrushes and has another piece started.

Jo Goen has been painting for 30 years. Her "Trunk" creation was awarded an Honorable Mention in the Acrylic's Class. Her inspiration? "A painting I saw in my doctor's office." This is a split-canvas piece, the technique being separate canvases that are hung in specific order, together making the large work of art. How many paintings has Jo done in those thirty years? Without hesitation, she replied, "Nine-hundred-and-seventy-six." She laughed and



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JO GOEN'S pieces "Mountain Home" and "970 Dale" both received Honorable Mention Awards in the Plains Art Association juried 2019 Spring Art Show held at Wayland Baptist University's Abraham Art Gallery.

added, "Most of those are in my studio!" Jo paints in many different styles, but she prefers creating pieces that reflect this country's landscapes. "Someone told me one time that landscapes sell better, so that's what I like—because I like to be outside!" Jo prefers using oil paints for her creations, but she excels with pastels (chalk) as well, and although she dislikes (truly, she 'hates') acrylics, she still utilizes that medium at times. Jo's favorite painting is hanging in her studio. "It's of a hill over near Clarendon...I'll never sell that one." Not one to quash her creative flow, she just completed another canvas entitled "Down the Road a Piece." Jo described a quaint,

little cottage tucked back behind a curve on a country lane. Jo entered two other pieces in this show receiving Honorable Mention in their mediums as well.

Anyone who knows Letesha Gaither knows where her heart is rooted—Country, Patriotism, and Duty. She says that she was born with patriotism—her birthday is July 4th. She has painted since before attending high school and now she shares it with her family. "When Colton (Letesha's son) was a baby, he'd sit in my lap as I painted. One day, he got blue paint on one of his shirts. He now wears that shirt everywhere." Every summer, she and her kids paint using different techniques—this year

it was a sharpie, alcohol and glow-in-the-dark paint. The family's painting parties may last all night (because paint takes FOREVER to dry), "but we are laughing and talking and finding peace in every brush stroke."

Letesha is a busy mom that gives untold hours of her time serving our county's veterans. A veteran herself, she assists those honorable individuals in getting through the red tape associated with receiving VA benefits. She is patient, kind and unwaveringly empathetic, often offering hope to those that have given up on the system. It isn't surprising to find that her creative pieces project patriotic elements.

The two Acrylic paint-

ings included in the juried show were entitled "Statue of Liberty" and "Eagle"—each of them communicating pride and honor to a country served. Letesha's daughter, Kaitlyn, also received Honorable Mention awards for her photographs entitled, "Bentley" and "Sunlight."

The Juried Spring Celebration of Art winners are as follows: Best of Show: "Foundations" – photograph by Jimmy Hood of Plainview; Best Concept of Color and Light: "Facing the Day" – photograph by Stephen Stookey of Plainview; Oil Category, Honorable mention: "Trunk" by Jo Goen of Floydada; Acrylic Category, Honorable Mention: "Mackenzie Scouts" by John Red-

ding of Floydada; "Statue of Liberty" and "Eagle" by Letesha Gaither of Lockney; "Mountain Home" by Jo Goen; Other Art Forms Category (jewelry, sculpture, glasswork and pottery) Honorable Mentions: "Primo" and "Tufa" by Cindy Carthel; Pastels/Graphics Category (ink drawing, prismacolor, printmaking and pastels), Honorable Mentions: "970 Dale" by Jo Goen of Floydada.

Purchase Award Donors from Floyd County for the 2019 PAA Show included Ed and Dana Warren. Due to space limitations, only Floyd County artists were listed. For more information, contact the Plains Art Association.

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SOCIETY

Farmer's Market comes to Floydada Floydada Rotary

By Kortney DeBock
Floydada Chamber of Commerce

FLOYDADA - We've teased for long enough! The inaugural Farmer's Market is coming to Floydada! After gathering a list of vendors, watching the weather to determine when (or what) produce would be available and finding a day to set up, we have decided the Farmer's Market will be held on Thursdays from 6-8pm on "The Square", in front of the courthouse.

So far, we have 4 vendors with booths providing a variety of homemade goodies such

as salsa, breads, pies, homeopathic pain remedies to farm fresh eggs!

Due to the unusual weather, our farmers currently have no produce available. If anybody has a garden that survived the extended cool temperatures please get an application so we can get some fresh, yummy produce included as well! We will continue to accept applications and they can be found at the Chamber of Commerce/EDC office, on www.floydadachamber.org or email manager@floydadachamber.com. As always, it is free to join! Come see us Thursday, July 11th at 6-8pm and support your local vendors!



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EMILY CISNEROS AND RYDER GLASS gave the program at the Floydada Rotary Club. They spoke of their experiences at the Rural Electric CoOp Youth Camp this spring.

THE FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM MEMORIES 1979 THE LLOYD MURRY FAMILY

In the McCoy Community, October 15, 1914, twin boys were born to Otis E. and Clara Murry. They were named Lloyd and Floyd. In 1919 the family moved into Floydada and in 1922 the twins started to school. Their first school was about where the Coop Gin now stands. Lightning struck the building and burned it to the ground. Next, they attended East Ward, Andrews Ward, Floydada High School. In high school they were very active in all sports- baseball, basketball, track and football. They were great football players and became heroes.

Mary Katherine Smith was born January 5, 1917, at Estacado, Texas. Her parents were Ham and Rebecca Smith. When she was two months old, they moved to the Blanco Community in Floyd County. Kay attended school at Blanco and Floydada High School.

Since Lloyd and Floyd were always together, they decided to have a double wedding at the home of Kay's parents. Lloyd Murry and Kay Smith, Floyd Murry and Marie Mitchel were united in marriage by their granddaddy, Uncle Joe Day.

Lloyd and Kay made their home in Floydada, where Lloyd owned a service station, wholesale and retail. In 1938 a daughter was born, named Rebecca Jo. In 1940 the family moved to California. Lloyd worked for a ship-building contractor. Then in 1945 they came back to Floydada to the farm. A son, Robert Dee was born in 1948.

Farming did not make enough, so they decided to travel to Loveland, Colorado where Lloyd worked on the Big Thompson Project, building canals and dams. When the project was finished in Colorado, they moved to Las Vegas, Nevada. While in Las Vegas, Rebecca Jo was married to Lou Nesci. They have four children, Mike, Dayana, Frank, and Gayla.

In 1963 the family returned to Floydada and operated a service station and welding shop.

February 1970, Kay passed away.

Robert Dee was married to Jan Wolff, June 1970, in Santa Ana, California. They are the parents of twin boys, Shannon and Shane, born July 1977.

Lloyd is retired. He lived with his mother until 1973. In August 1973 he and Imelda Ramsey were married and now live in the Harmony Community.

By Lloyd Murry

Lockney Senior Citizen's News

By Renee Armstrong
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Our Domino Tournament will be held July 13th. Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. with coffee and donuts. Cost to enter is \$40 per team. First game will begin at 9 a.m. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places will be given out.

There will not be any BINGO NIGHTS for the month of July and August. Will resume in September.

We hope you are all having a great week! Come and eat with us and enjoy the fellowship!

Be sure and mark your calendars with the impor-

tant events coming up at the Center.

JULY CALENDAR

- 5th - Fish fry- 5-8 p.m
- 13th - Domino Tournament
- 19th - Fish fry - 5-8 p.m
- 21st - Sunday Lunch 11:30 - 1 p.m.

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

Our Thursday night pot luck is from 5-9 p.m. Bring a dish and a friend and enjoy games afterwards.

MENU July 8 - July 12

- Monday - Club sandwich
- Tuesday - Tacos
- Wednesday - Smoked sausage
- Thursday - Spaghetti
- Friday - Fried chicken (Menu subject to change without notice)

Floydada Senior Citizen's News

By LuAnn Collins
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Our Center can use any donations of vegetables. We also would ask that when you are finished with your gardens, to allow us to pick the remaining vegetables for our Center. Please call us at 806-983-2032 if this is a possibility. We are continuing our 2nd Tuesday Bingo Night. Doors open at 5:15 and we begin play at 5:30. Our Bingo special includes meal, dessert, drink and 2 cards for \$5.00. Additional cards cost \$1.00

for one or \$2.00 for 3 cards. Door prizes, cash prizes, fun and fellowship. The next Bingo will be held on July 9. Our Progressive cash prize is now over \$200.00 Remember, Tuesday meals are \$4.00 meals. Check the menu to see what is offered each Tuesday.

Remember we will be closed Thursday July 4, and Friday July 5. We will see you on Monday July 8.

Call us at 983-2032 for home delivery by 11:00 am. Our delivery drivers will begin delivering at 11:30. 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 July 8 - July 12

- Monday - Salmon croquettes
- Tuesday - Tacos & chaulupas - \$4.00
- Wednesday - Chicken fried steak
- Thursday - Salisbury steak w/grilled onions
- Friday - Fried chicken (Menu subject to change without notice)

The 501: It's always the carburetor

When the lawn mower repairman said he didn't do carburetors, that should have been our first clue.

Even I can fix a carburetor.

Yep, I've watched two YouTube videos on carburetor repair. I'm primed.

For starters, I can spell carburetor in English and French.

Sounds fancier in French. I think maybe I know the German word: Benzynvermischungsapparat.

That was a guess. DICTIONARY PAUSE.

It's Vergaser. I started to say that, but I thought Vergaser was German for accelerator pedal. It should be. Instead it's Gaspedal. No kidding.

We stray.

Back to the repair guy. His business card had his nickname: First Pull. The implication, in case you don't get it, was that any mower repaired by him would start with just one

pull. For mowers equipped with ignition switches and starters, presumably that would mean just one turn of the key.

To his credit, First Pull told us forthrightly he didn't do carburetors.

Never mind that it's always the carburetor.

Maybe our main pause to think should have been all the abandoned mowers at his place. In retrospect, I suspect they all had carburetor issues.

Long story short, we paid him for his work on both mowers (neither quite fixed) and took them both home. That was a couple of years ago. Or maybe three. Since then, First Pull has left town. Even the mowers are gone.

I'm hoping he's enrolled somewhere in carburetor school.

Meanwhile, there's an alternative to a good lawn mower mechanic. It's the famous herbicide Roundup. I'm hoping all the bad press about Roundup causing cancer will make the price drop some. Meanwhile, just by accident and for free, Roundup has given us extra time to get all our lawn mowers working. Here's a short version of what happened:

It all started with the acquisition of an empty 275-gallon Roundup tank.

We needed it to store 50 gallons of grassbur killer I'd mixed for use on our country house lawns, best described as two big weed-susceptible yards. I'd say why I mixed so much grassbur stuff, but that's another story.

It wasn't easy, but I managed to use the front-end loader on the tractor to position the big freebie herbicide container on an overturned bathtub, making the spigot just the right height off the ground to fill the little herbicide tank we tow behind the riding mower that still works.

My paid friend Terri, per instructions from me, mowed one lawn, simultaneously applying the grassbur killer. Within two days, the grass was a uniform brown (except for one little green strip she missed when the spray ran out). You guessed it. There was, without doubt, some residual Roundup in that big container.

The good news is that no weeds are coming up in the brown Bermuda grass, which is already starting to turn green. We may have to hit it again.

Now we've got time to fix both dysfunctional mower carburetors. No need to hurry when we've still got 45 gallons of Roundup.

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OBITUARIES/CHURCH

Nicholas "Neal" Nelson

Nicholas "Neal" Nelson age 41, passed away Monday, June 24, 2019.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m., Friday, June 28, 2019 at the First United Methodist Church in Floydada.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m., Monday July 1, 2019 at Greenmount Cemetery located in Durango, Colorado.

Visitation was held from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Thursday, June 27, 2019 at the First United Methodist Church in Floydada.

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

Neal was born on May 10, 1978 in Durango, Colorado.

Neal graduated from

Floydada High School in 1996 and went on to receive his Bachelor's Degree in Aviation from Tarleton State.

Neal spent his time flying the skies, blasting his music, and loving his children. He loved to work in his shop making new creations, sharing his hobbies with his friends and family. His greatest pleasure was making those around him laugh, smile and enjoy life.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, H and Loene Nelson in 2018.

Neal is survived by his children, Kayden and Ellie Nelson; his parents, Kevin and Terry Nelson; a brother, Lonny Nelson and wife, Kathryn; and nephews, Jace and Jett Nelson. He is also sur-



NICHOLAS "NEAL" NELSON

vived by his grandparents, Hal and Jan Pierce of Durango, Colorado and many aunts, uncles and cousins. Neal will be missed by many relatives and friends. The family suggest donations be made to the First United Methodist Church of Floydada or the charity of your choice.

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Wit and Wisdom

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

(Everyone, have a safe and happy 4th of July!)

"You have to love a nation that celebrates its independence every July 4th, not with a parade of guns, tanks, and soldiers who file by the White House in a show of strength and muscle, but with family

picnics where kids throw Frisbees, the potato salad gets iffy, and the flies die from happiness. You may think you have overeaten, but it is patriotism."

- Erma Bombeck

"Independence Day: freedom has its life in the hearts, the actions, the spirit of men and so it must be daily earned and refreshed - else like a flower cut from its life-

giving roots, it will wither and die."

- Dwight D. Eisenhower

"It will be celebrated with pomp and parade, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other."

- John Adams

"Then join hand in hand, brave Americans all! By uniting we stand, by dividing we fall."

- John Dickinson

"I believe in America because we have great

dreams, and because we have the opportunity to make those dreams come true."

- Wendell L. Wilkie

"We on this continent should never forget that men first crossed the Atlantic not to find soil for their ploughs but to secure liberty for their souls."

- Robert J. McCracken

"I like to see a man proud of the place in which he lives. I like to see a man live so that his place will

be proud of him."

- Abraham Lincoln

"As Mankind becomes more liberal, they will be more apt to allow that all those who conduct themselves as worthy members of the community are equally entitled to the protections of civil government. I hope ever to see America among the foremost nations of justice and liberality."

- George Washington

"We must be free not because we claim freedom, but because we practice it."

- William Faulkner

"Our country is not the only thing to which we owe our allegiance. It is also owed to justice and to humanity. Patriotism consists not in waving the flag, but in striving that our country shall be righteous as well as strong."

- James Bryce

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The Lord says, "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you." - Isaiah 43:2 (NIV)

In August 2016, south Louisiana experienced major flooding, causing widespread devastation. Many homes and businesses suffered major damage and people lost virtually all their possessions. The situation was stressful and depressing.

Yet all around us we also saw reminders of God's Spirit. It was common for people to pray together in driveways as they prepared for the difficult work ahead. Friends — and even people we didn't know — brought meals. We received relief packages from all over the country. Churches and relief organizations provided clothing and other essentials. People

came from near and far to help. A group from Los Angeles worked all day on my friend's house and gave her a new Bible. They then invited us to dinner at the church where they were lodging. These acts of kindness lifted our spirits and strengthened us.

Recovery is a long, slow process. But God worked through the actions of friends and strangers to sustain us materially and spiritually. It is hard to imagine that any of us could fully recover without the active work of God's Spirit. God brought many from far and wide to rescue us from the flood.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Thank you, loving God, for lifting us up when life is difficult. Amen.

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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.

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Morning Worship - 9 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Church of Christ
West College & Third
Lockney
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Afternoon Worship - 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m.

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

First Baptist Church
Floydada
Mark Snowden, Pastor
Nathan Adams, Minister of Students and Discipleship
Ashley Adams, Minister of Music
Ludustria Prisk, Director of Children's Ministry
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church
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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. Gary Boles, 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.
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
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Rev. Timothy Askey
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Sunday School - 10 a.m.
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Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wednesday Study - 6 p.m.

New Salem Primitive Baptist Church
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Sunday Singing - 10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church

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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
Rev. Renato Cruz
Parochial Vicar - Jacob Powell
Sun - 9 a.m. Children Bible study
10 a.m. - Mass
Wed. - 6 p.m. - Faith Formation -
CYO to follow
Thurs. - 6:30 pm- Evening Mass

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

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

English - 11 a.m.
Evening Service 5 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
Floydada
Rev. Renato Cruz
Parochial Vicar - Jacob Powell
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
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Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 6 p.m.

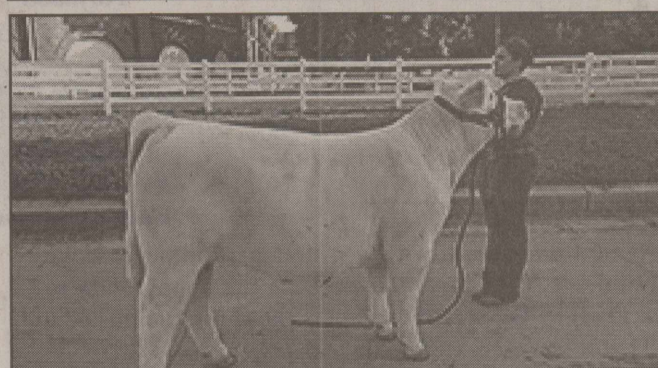
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Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11 - a.m.

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



Courtesy Photos
KAYLEE MCINVALE OF LOCKNEY (left) was crowned 2019-2020 Princess for the Texas Polled Hereford Association. The 2019-20 Queen is Gracie Oates. The two will be the ambassadors for the Texas Polled Hereford Association attending public awareness activities and representing the Association throughout Texas and the United States.

McInvales earn awards at 2019 Chi/Maine Jr. Nationals



Courtesy Photos
KAYLEE MCINVALE competed at the Chi/Maine Jr Nationals June 23-28, 2019. Each year the Maine-Anjou & Chianina cattle breeds host a junior livestock show for their exhibitors from across the country. Youth participate in a variety of skill-building and leadership contests in addition to the cattle show during the week-long event held in Des Moines, Iowa at the Iowa State Fairgrounds-pioneer Pavilion. Kaylee started the morning with a Class win with her Chi steer, putting her in the running. She took the Reserve Division and went on to place 5th overall with her Nov FBF Elise 175E.



I REALLY love watching butterflies visiting my gardens. I REALLY love following bees as they crawl deep down into the blooms hunting for nectar. I REALLY love zipping around after dragonflies to catch them finding a mate—and eating up my mosquitoes. I REALLY love Ladybugs—they are just too cute.

The heat coupled with all the rains have hyped up all of the insect populations so much so that I am at DeafCon-1 Alert—and I don't see much relief in the near future. Today, I went out to water my front flower garden and BAM! Little black caterpillars were sucking the life out of my gorgeous sunflower varieties and leaving them standing as sunflower zombies! SUNFLOWER ZOMBIES, people!!

Up until this week, I have been able to justify my light dusting, because I've not really had blooms on any veggies except those brassicas varieties (Cabbage, brussels sprouts and kale) plus some onions and carrots that overwintered and were heading out to seed. No longer is that the case as everything is blooming!

I can't claim to be an 'organic gardener' because when those pesky cabbage worms, tomato worms and squash bugs start emerging in the heat, I pull out my "deadly powder," and I am ruthless! Within seconds of finding pests I turn into the worst of the Disney villains, and as I sprinkle my deadly white dust, I cackle with delight and evil intentions: "Here you go, my pretty peskies! Some powdered sugars to take with you into the afterlife!"

Ahem. It's not a pretty sight. As I settle down, my conscience begins to war against itself. "You've done it now, Deon! So much for being a 'friendly' to the butterflies!" or "When you don't see any bees, don't complain. YOU KILLED THEM ALL YOURSELF!!"

There is a fine line between being a gardener for produce and a gardener for wildlife. Preparation of soil, planting, watering, weeding, training, watering, weeding, planting, weeding, watering, training... the process is time consuming, and much like a parent raising children, those little plants get entwined into one's heartstrings. It is only natural that I lash out to protect them. So, I'm justified in protecting them, right?

You may think this is a small thing, but it is HUGE! Pesticidal use is both encouraged and condemned. Laws are drafted and re-drafted, submitted, passed and defeated, and proposed again. Corporations are targeted and pressured. Definitions are re-defined. Futures are protected and are threatened.

Who's right? I surely can't determine that answer. Will I have butterflies aloft on the breezes, or bees to pollinate my squash? I'm not sure. I can say that I'm not a full-fledged butterfly-friendly convert just yet. Hopefully, in the years to come, I can let go of my "production" values and simply wave away the fact that all of my "raised from seed" babies are being sucked to their death.

For now—my powder is kept handy.



Courtesy Photos
BELTON, TX - 2019 State Hereford Show. Kaylee McInvale, Lockney, won the Intermediate Showmanship Award competing against the top five showmen in the state. Kaylee had a challenge to take a cow without her calf into the arena and to properly set the cow. Mama made Kaylee work, but in the end, the pair took the top Showmanship spot. Kaylee is pictured on the far left in the photo.

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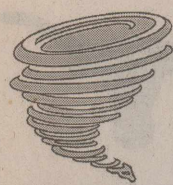
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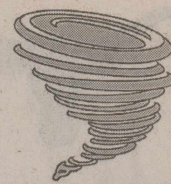
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Floydada Whirlwinds



FLOYDADA'S CLASS OF 2020

With some extra space this summer, the Hesperian-Beacon staff decided to spotlight our In-coming Senior Class. In the last weeks of school, each member of the Class of 2020 put their thinking caps on and filled out a lengthy and challenging questionnaire. (Just kidding! We didn't want to stress them out that much!)

These young men and ladies will be the leaders of their respective schools and we are thrilled to get to know them a little better before they start filling our headlines. So...introducing your Seniors of the Class of 2020.

Yelena Serrato

If you could only have one meal, what would that meal be? Tacos de la Siberia because they remind me of my second home, Monterey, Mexico.

If you had a baby alpaca what would you name it? Moe

Describe one moment in your high-school years that you will always remember: I will always remember the unforgettable memories I made with my friends. Such as a water balloon fight every summer since 6th grade, riding bikes all around town, sleep-overs, and traveling to Disneyland with one of my closest friends. I will never forget the people I met during my years at FHS.

If you could travel anywhere and money was no option, where would you go? What is it about that place that appeals to you? After watching the Cheetah Girls-3 movie, I fell in love with the city of Barcelona, Spain. I would travel to Barcelona because of the culture, historical figures, the food, and the overall beauty of the city.

List extracurricular activities in which you participate: UIL, BPA, Theater, NHS, and Student Council.

Yelena's parents are Arnaldo and Juana Oneida Serrato. Her Grandparents are Dometila and Leandro Pecina.



Ethan Rodriguez

If you could only have one meal, what would that meal be? Medium-rare steak and mashed potatoes.

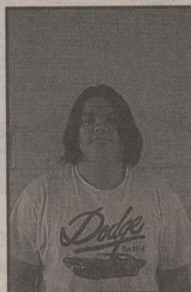
If you had a baby alpaca what would you name it? Khar

Describe one moment in your high-school years that you will always remember: A moment I can remember is when we were using the cutting torch in Ag and a random book of around 35 pages was thrown into the pathway of the flame. The book was set on fire, but we managed to put it out. We have not used the torch since.

If you could travel anywhere and money was no option, where would you go? What is it about that place that appeals to you? Japan. The cultural differences between us and them is so much different—it is interesting.

List extracurricular activities in which you participate: UIL and BPA

Ethien's parents are Johnny Rodriguez and Christina Bruce.



Azalea Mileydis Garza

If you could only have one meal, what would that meal be? 6 oz. sirloin steak with a loaded baked potato and rolls from Texas Roadhouse.

If you had a baby alpaca what would you name it? Sparkly-Mae

Describe one moment in your high-school years that you will always remember: One moment in my high-school years that I will always remember is winning Tennis District Champs for Girls' Doubles. This moment is so memorable because the year prior we had lost to those girls in the Championship; however, after several tie-breakers, sunburns, and talks from Coach Zepeda, me and my partner got it together and won the Gold Ball!

If you could travel anywhere and money was no option, where would you go? What is it about that place that appeals to you? Def Bora Bora! Bora Bora is a place that I definitely would like to visit because it has crystal-clear water and private cabanas.

List extracurricular activities in which you participate: Cheerleading, Basketball, Tennis, UIL, Theater, BPA, Student Council and Class Officer.

Azalea's parents are Nancy and Jhaun Garza. Her Grandparents are Grandpa Victor Olivo and Grandma Imelda Olivo.



Are you ready to host an International exchange student?

By Jimi Coplen

Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

Traveling the world is fun, but many times there are things holding us back. Finances, time, and other commitments make it tough to travel. Did you know there is a way to bring the world to you?

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FLAG works hard to find a student who will blend well with your family. This past school year, exchange students were welcomed by loving homes in Knox City, Benjamin, Haskell and Seymour. Families were blessed with great young people who shared their cultures at home and in the classroom.

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Emily Cisneros

If you could only have one meal, what would that meal be? Chicken Pasta

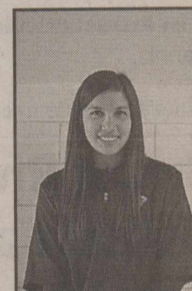
If you had a baby alpaca what would you name it? Rhino

Describe one moment in your high-school years that you will always remember: The night before our Regional Softball Championship. The whole team had a falling out and Hannah Morales nearly broke her phone because she was so angry.

If you could travel anywhere and money was no option, where would you go? What is it about that place that appeals to you? London, England. The possibility of running into Harry Styles. I would like to experience driving on the opposite side of the road and meeting people with British accents.

List extracurricular activities in which you participate: Basketball, Softball, UIL, BPA, and NHS

Emily's parents are Rael and Esmeralda Cisneros.



will never have, and their bond was so sweet and genuine. It was so much fun even through I was concerned my kids were too young to host. We still talk on a regular basis and look forward to visiting his country in the future," said Tina Silva.

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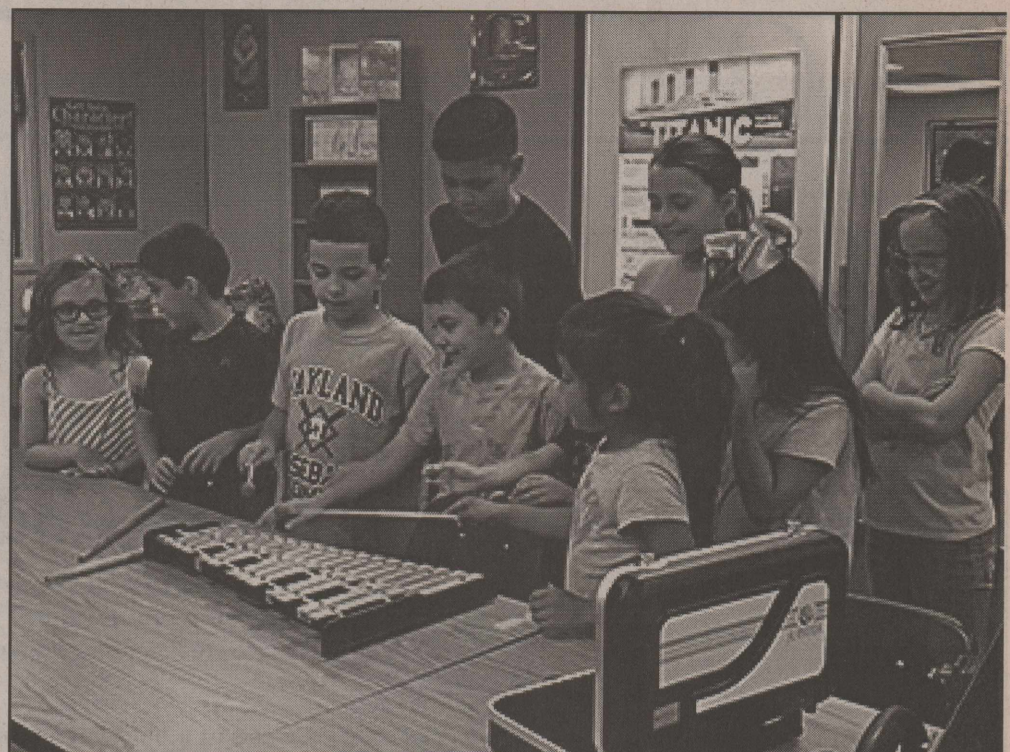
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LOCKNEY ELEMENTARY LIBRARY Summer Program welcomed Mr. Rodriguez, Band Director for LISD. He demonstrated instrument playing and tone recognition to his intent audience. The kids got to try their hand playing the xylophone and the drum-beats. He also talked about participation in band programs within the schools. July 3-Shaina Hart (ACE), July 11-Mrs. Belt (Family and Consumer Sciences), July 17-Cynthia Zavala (One-Act Play), July 25-Mr. Lemmons (Ag Science), July 31-Yara Poole (Kid's Bank.) The Lockney Elementary Library is open through July on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 12:30-4:00 p.m. Special Speaker programs begin at 1:00 p.m.

LOCKNEY'S CLASS OF 2020

With some extra space this summer, the Hesperian-Beacon staff decided to spotlight our In-coming Senior Class. In the last weeks of school, each member of the Class of 2020 put their thinking caps on and filled out a lengthy and challenging questionnaire. (Just kidding! We didn't want to stress them out that much!)

These young men and ladies will be the leaders of their respective schools and we are thrilled to get to know them a little better before they start filling our headlines. So... introducing your Seniors of the Class of 2020.

Noel Cenicerros

If you could only have one meal, what would that meal be? Barbacoa

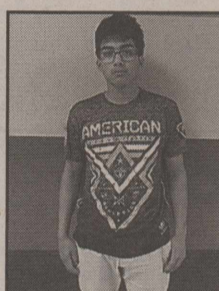
If you had a baby alpaca what would you name it? Chew Cho

Describe one moment in your high-school years that you will always remember: When we beat Post in basketball.

If you could travel anywhere and money was no option, where would you go? What is it about that place that appeals to you? I would go to the Bahamas.

List extracurricular activities in which you participate: Baseball, Track, Basketball and Tennis.

Noel's parents are Marissa and Noel Cenicerros, Jr.



Tyra Rosales

If you could only have one meal, what would that meal be? Fajitas

If you had a baby alpaca what would you name it? Princess Sweet Face

Describe one moment in your high-school years that you will always remember: When I got to cheer on my brother and my cousin when they received their first Gold Ball (Tennis).

If you could travel anywhere and money was no option, where would you go? What is it about that place that appeals to you? I would go to the Bahamas to swim in their beautiful water.

List extracurricular activities in which you participate: Track, Yearbook and Tennis.

Tyra's parents are Abel and Cassidy Rosales.



Brazos River Authority encouraging safety vigilance as rising temperatures means increased risk for exposure to deadly amoeba

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon
AUSTIN - Summer months mean rising temperatures and thriving conditions for a deadly amoeba in Texas waterways.

Naegleria fowleri - commonly referred to as the "brain-eating amoeba" - can cause a rare infection of the brain called primary amebic meningoencephalitis (PAM), according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The amoeba is a heat-loving organism, thriving as temperatures begin to climb.

As families begin to head to reservoirs or the Brazos River, it's important to take precautions to ensure everyone stays safe. While infections are rare, they occur mainly during the summer months.

Naegleria fowleri can only enter the body through the nose. The amoeba makes its

way into the brain and spinal cord, destroying brain tissue. Water typically enters someone nose while they are swimming or diving into waterways. Infections cannot occur from drinking contaminated water.

While Naegleria fowleri thrives in warmer temperatures, it also prefers stagnant bodies of water. It's vital to always avoid stagnant water and take 'No Swimming' signs seriously.

The infection, while rare, is serious. The fatality rate is more than 97%, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services. Four people out of 143 known infected individuals in the U.S. from 1962 to 2016 have survived.

The only way to prevent an infection is to refrain from water-related activities, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services. How-

ever, anyone planning to take part in water-related activities should:

Avoid water-related activities in bodies of warm freshwater during periods of high water temperature and low water levels.

Hold the nose shut or use nose clips while in bodies of warm freshwater, including lakes, rivers, or hot springs.

Avoid putting your head under the water.

Avoid digging in or stirring up the sediment while taking part in water-related activities in shallow, warm, freshwater areas.

Use only sterile, distilled, or lukewarm previously boiled water for nasal irrigation or sinus flushes.

Unfortunately, signs and symptoms of the Naegleria fowleri infection are similar

Keanu Villarreal

If you could only have one meal, what would that meal be? Boneless Hot Wings

If you had a baby alpaca what would you name it? Poncho the Alpaca

Describe one moment in your high-school years that you will always remember: I will never forget our Freshman year. We beat the Seniors in Color Wars. It was the first time freshmen won. From that moment we knew we would run the school.

If you could travel anywhere and money was no option, where would you go? What is it about that place that appeals to you? I would go to Alaska. I would go because I want to go hunt. The place appeals to me because it is beautiful when it snows, and it is so big.

List extracurricular activities in which you participate: Powerlifting, Student Council, Band and One-Act Play.

Keanu's parents are Jorge and Veronica Villarreal. His Grandparents are Cloria Villarreal and Manuel Fierros.



to bacterial meningitis, which lowers the chances of initial diagnosing of primary amebic meningoencephalitis, according to the CDC.

Early symptoms include headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. Those symptoms then progress into stiff neck,

confusion, lack of attention to people and surroundings, loss of balance, seizures and hallucinations, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services.

By planning ahead and educating those you love, we can all work together to ensure more

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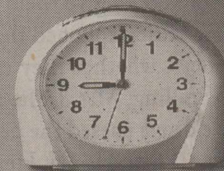
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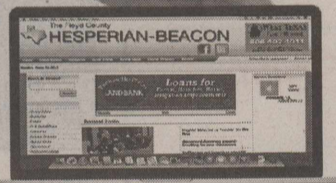
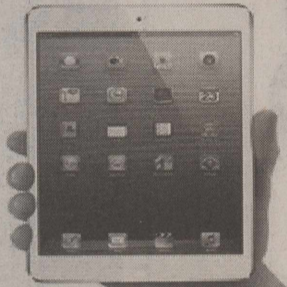
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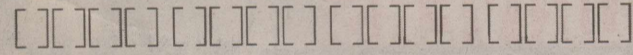
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we don't want any of them to get hurt." "That's true," adds Cirildo. "None of the bulls that we take to events are gonna charge at the riders—these animals aren't mean—they're just athletes, just like the kids."

What about the bulls? Out on the Leal's property on the outskirts of Lockney, the bulls are just pets. "Our daughter Barbara has taken on the work of caring for the stock," commented Mrs. Lillie as she drove into the lot where they each have their own comfy pen. As we get out of the truck and walk toward one such pen, there is a migrating of animals to the side we are on. "They think I'm here to give them some treats." Barbara was hard at work the day I visited the property, but Mrs. Lillie explained that their daughter knows each and every one of the bulls' personalities, preferences, whether they expect goodies before their rub downs or after. "She is so good with them." Smiling, Mrs. Lillie adds, "Yes, we spoil them, probably too much."

As we drove passed the pens, their names were called out: Festus (...because he just looks like a Festus!), Casper, Harley, Hemi, Vindicator, Rare-Breed, Dennis-the-Menace (he's a little trouble-maker) and Goliath, to name a few. Of course, there are stars of the MBR that are well-known... some of them feared and some of them reputed to give a 90+ score, but standing across the gate from me, they just look like furry beasts that want some good belly-scratching.

If some of the competitors' names sound familiar, it's probably because they are following in their father's or uncle's footsteps, but have no doubt, their names are also becoming well-known on the circuit: Noah Lee (son of 2004 PBR World Champion, Joao Crimber (son of the famous PBR Rider Paulo Crimber), Travis Wimberly, Braxton Thompson, Najiah Knight (the only female competing in the Junior and Senior Divisions), Trevor Hebert and Seth Prejeant.

And their fame is just starting to roll because MBR has gotten the attention of the Cable-TV producers and Ride-Pass wants to start videoing the entire year's competitions. And they'd better strap on their spurs because the 2019 season's event locations have been, thus far, and continue to be impressive: Madison Square Garden, New York, NY; Glendale, AZ; the Global Cup Invi-

tational in Arlington, TX; the STAPLES Center in downtown Los Angeles, CA; Kansas City, MO; Billings, MT; LEAL'S ARENA in Lockney, TX (July 5-6); Tulsa, OK (Aug 9-11); the US BANK CENTER-where TTU played in the National Basketball Championship in Minneapolis, MN (Oct 4-6); Greensboro, NC (Oct. 11-13); and in the T-MOBILE ARENA in Las Vegas for the PBR World Finals (Nov. 8-10).

Cirildo chuckles, "They said we'd never get to Las Vegas—never put boots down there. But we did!" When asked why that was the goal, he states simply, "I'm a dreamer! I'm a BIG dreamer, and with Chris' (Shivers) partnership, we did it sooner than even we expected, but I never doubted it."

Lockney, Texas seems a bit out of place in the previous list. Why Lockney? Because that is where both Cirildo and Lillie raised their five girls. That is where they've built a business in cotton-hull feeding. That is their community, and if nothing else, this couple is loyal to their hometown.

"Sure! People tell us, 'What are you doing down there! You need to move your operation to Montana or California,'" he shakes his head and says, "These facilities right here are right up there with the best, and we want our community to benefit from our success. This is our home and we don't plan to leave."

The Red, White, & Bulls MBR Invitational gets started Friday July 5th with the first-round chutes open at 6:30 p.m. The excitement continues into the second-round, Saturday morning at 11:00 a.m. Final-round action kicks off Saturday evening at 6:00 p.m. All of the activities will take place at Leal's Arena, 604 NE 8th St., just on the north-east side of Lockney. Mutton-Bustin' for kiddos under 7 years old and no more than 60 lbs as well as Stick-Pony Riding will delight the audience. Tickets for the event are \$5, but little ones under 6 yrs old get in free. For additional information, contact Cirildo Leal at (806)292-6239. The arena will be hot with talent, but is fully air conditioned—there's no excuse not to show up and support these youngsters and their families that have travelled from all over the United States.

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CIRILDO AND LILLIE LEAL pose for a group picture this past February at the PBR Iron Cowboy at the Staples Center in Anaheim, CA. Pictured (L to R) Braxton Thompson, Cirildo Leal (back), Brazos Heck, Brayden Brown, Najiah Knight and Mrs. Lillie Leal.

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Brother Steve McLean will conduct the weekend meeting,

July 26-28, Friday thru Sunday

7:30 PM Friday & Saturday, 10:30 AM & 1:30 PM Sunday

Visit our Facebook Page: fb.me/WestCollegeChurchofChrist



Friday Night

7:30 PM Services with Steve McLean

Homemade Ice Cream after services

Saturday Night

5:30 PM until 6:45 PM

History and Remembrances

7:00 PM until 7:30 PM Singing

7:30 PM Services with Steve McLean

Sunday Morning

10:30 AM Services with Steve McLean

12:00 PM Catered Fellowship Meal

1:30 PM Services with Steve McLean

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