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Riding high

Lockney twins turn passion into a business

By Teresa Bigham
 The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – At a young age, Lockney twins Tuff and Gunner Araujo had a dream of being in the lights of the rodeo circuit.

These two incredible young men have been living their dream – one that has not come easily, but then again riding bulls are not easy.

At the age of six, the twins had no fear and climbed onto their first bulls. When they hit the fourth grade, Gunner was in a wheelchair with a bad broken left leg. For six months he had to keep his leg lifted just a bit and immobilized. “I couldn’t wait for the cast to come off before I started riding again, so I rode bulls with my cast on,” Gunner said.

By the fifth grade, Tuff had a string of bad luck as well. He broke his right leg and was in a wheelchair for eight months. “I couldn’t wait to get my cast off and get back out there. I wanted to be riding bulls, or like Gunner, I was riding with my cast on,” said Tuff.

Those who know these two young men know they do not often agree on anything, but there are two things on which they do agree.

The first is that they would not have been able to live their dream had it not been for their dad, Romeo.



Tuff Araujo, 18, rides one of the roughest bulls he owns. Tuff broke his ankle broken back in February while riding this same bull. (Courtesy photo)

“Our dad helped us in every way he could to achieve our dream,” said Gunner.

Tuff added, “It’s because of our dad that we are able to get the experience of riding bulls.”

The second thing these two agree on is that Charlie Thompson was the man who showed them the ropes. “We were at the Pavilion in Lubbock watching bull riding. Charlie was the man running it all. We asked him how we could get started riding bulls. That was all it took,” said the twins. “He took us to his ranch one day and showed us every-

thing.”

These young bull riders started on steers at Thompson ranch. At the age of 12, the young bull riders had moved up the ranks and were riding in the open bull class – the big, full-grown bulls.

At the age of 13, they started riding mini bulls but aged out of that shortly after. Then it was back to riding in the open bull class.

All throughout this time, these two young men had one role model, the late Kenneth McKee, that they both looked up to. “In the summer we basically lived with him,” Tuff said. “He took us



Gunner Araujo, 18, works to fine tune his bull riding skills. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

in and showed us everything he knew.”

McKee, who called Wolfforth home, was known for being the World Champion three consecutive years. He took those titles in 2000, 2001 and 2002. He was also the PSBR president.

The Araujo twins own 13 bulls between them.

“The logical thing was for us to go start a business together. So that is what we did. We started T & G Bucking Bulls,” Gunner said.

On Saturday, these two not only rode in the Silverton Rodeo but they also supplied all the bulls. Thirteen bull riders were present and eager to show the large crowd what they could do.

As for the Araujo twins, it was not the best night they have had. Gunner got a re-ride after the first round.

Fellow student and friend

Jordyn Varner said, “I thought both the twins did really well, and I enjoyed cheering for some local Longhorns.”

Corbin McKee had the job of flank man for the rodeo.

McKee along with the Araujos will be hosting the first annual K-Mac Memorial Bull Riding event on Saturday, Oct. 24, in Lockney. General admission will be \$10.

To participate, the mutton busting fee is \$20 per entry and the bull riding entry fee is \$100 with a 100 percent payback.

For more information or to enter call McKee at 806-724-6778. This event will be loaded with lots of fun for the whole family, McKee said.

For more information on T & G Bucking Bulls check out the Facebook page or call 806-292-6685.

Census begins door-to-door visits Floyd County census response below 50 percent

By Jackie Zimmerman
 Managing Editor



Floyd County’s response of 43.6 percent to the 2020 census falls below the state and the U.S. response rate, according to data provided by the Texas Demographic Center.

Across the state, 57.8 percent of residents have responded, and 62.8 percent have responded across the country, according to the center. Also, the response is a 15.3 percent drop compared to the county’s 58.8 percent response to the 2010 census.

Lila Valencia, senior demographer for the Texas Demographic Center, said one of the contributing factors may be the late delivery of the invitation packets out of the Lubbock census office.

“Those households that don’t receive typical mail service, home delivery began receiving packets May 25,” Valencia said. “That was two months after other areas received their packets.”

In the counties with less than 50 percent response, the Census Bureau will begin its non-response follow-up with door-to-door visits Aug. 11.

“Census officials will be going door to door asking the census questions,” Valencia said, adding enumerators will be making the visits from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

“We understand people are preoccupied. With the state of economy, health concerns and other issues. This is the easiest census ever complete. It is just 10 questions. Your response before Aug. 11 is the only thing keep the census from knocking on your door.”

Residents in these counties also should receive an email from the census bureau requesting response. The email will come from 2020census@subscriptions.census.gov.

There are multiple ways for residents to respond, Valencia said, including filling out the packet they received on their doorstep and sending it back, going online to My2020census.gov and filling out the questions; or calling the Census Bureau, which offers in English at 844-330-3030 or in Spanish at 844-468-2020.

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‘Work hard. Be honest.’

Bearden reflects on life, work

By Teresa Bigham
 The Hesperian-Beacon



Louis and Arleen Bearden in a photo taken just a few months after the couple tied the knot. (Courtesy photo)

FLOYDADA – Louis Bearden never forgets a name, a face or a date.

Born on April 19, 1940, three miles north of Springlake, he was the son of Nathaniel and Estelle Bearden. Growing up with four big sisters, they lived just outside Springlake until they moved to Delwin, Texas, when he was 7 years old.

“The doctors told my daddy that we need to move below the cap, that the gyp water would be good for his kidneys” Bearden recalled. “So that’s what we did. We moved to Delwin, Texas. I went to school in Delwin until I finished the eighth grade.”

During this time, the good Lord had a plan for Bearden, but he said he just did not know it yet. Once he started high school in Paducah, he met Arleen, a young lady who captured his heart.

The daughter of Percy and Lorease Johnson, Arleen was one of eight girls.

It was his freshman year, his first year at Paducah High, when he first laid eyes on her. “He would always chunk paper wads at me every day in class,” Arleen said.

Arleen lived her youth in

Buck Creek. “Just a small little community like Cone. It was close to Delwin and Paducah,” said Arleen.

“Our first date was a church function in Childress,” she said. “His daddy arranged it. He told Louis you take her to that church function, so we went together. We were juniors in high school.”

The two graduated school in May 1958 from Paducah and married June 20, 1958 in the church parsonage at Buck Creek.

After high school Bearden was a carpenter in Paducah during the seven-year drought. “Times were hard, but we made the best of everything we had. I do not think we would change a thing about those times. We grew together and made a great

life together,” Bearden said.

“One day after my co-workers and I finished a job, they went fishing, and the wife and I went to Lubbock to a family reunion. My sister’s husband worked for Bell Milk and she wanted to introduce me to his boss. The boss man asked me if I was looking for a job, and I told him nope. He said well I sure need someone to work for me. He said he could put me in Lubbock, Littlefield or Floydada.” Bearden recalled. “I said well I might live in Floydada. That was mid-way between all my kin folks.”

Bearden and the boss made a deal. He was going to deliver milk, cheese, butter and eggs cottage cheese and even ice cream for Bell Milk. “We See BEARDEN, Page 2

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Floydada CISD approves proposed tax rate, on campus and remote instruction

By Yelena Serrato
The Hesperian-Beacon

Floydada CISD may face an additional \$125,000 budget deficit for the 2019-2020 school year as the federal CARES Act funds the school received replaced some of the funds expected from the Texas Education Agency, Dr. Gilbert Trevino told the school board during its July 30TH meeting. These funds must be used in the 2020-2021 school year, thus leaving the deficit in the previous school year.

Trevino said the district is receiving funds through the CARES Act, but TEA is not sending some of its payments, so less funding is coming in. The district plans to use the CARES Act funding for next year's salaries.

The board also approved a proposed tax rate of \$1.5215 per \$100 of property valuation and scheduled the public hearing on the tax rate and budget for its Aug. 25 meeting.

In other business, the board approved remote and on campus instruction plans to keep students safe while adhering to health guidelines.

Trevino said students in third through 12th grades who choose remote will be expected to be treated as if they are in the classroom.

"Sixth through 12th graders are expected to be in school from 8 a.m. to 4:10 p.m., and third through fifth graders will be in school from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. They will go up to eight hours a day on video with a little flexibility," Trevino said. "However, we know that Pre-K to second graders cannot sit in front of the screen all day long for the entire school day so we will incorporate a plan to accommodate their learning. It will be a totally different design than what students and parents had in the spring."

On campus, plans include the use of plexiglass in pre-K and kindergarten rooms, hand sanitizer in multiple locations throughout all the school buildings and the use of face masks during passing periods and anytime students

are not able to social distance. It was announced that as of July 30, 87 students had opted for remote learning.

The board also approved a resolution to not allow students who choose remote learning to participate in extracurricular activities, but Trevino added the district will not police remote student attendance at extracurricular events.

The board also approved changes to the athletic handbook, which now states that students choosing remote learning will not be able to participate in sports if they stay in remote learning beyond the first six weeks. However, if a student opts for remote learning first six weeks and decides to come back to campus the second six weeks, they will be allowed into athletics but there will be a re-acclimation period. Coaches will require student athletes to sit out another six weeks. If a sport has already started, the students will not be eligible to participate in that sport. If a student has been out the first and second six weeks, they will not be allowed into athletics for the school year.

The handbook also states that if a student starts off on campus and has to switch to remote learning after being exposed, the student may transition back to campus when they are medically cleared, and the student will not be locked in for an entire grading period. Once recovered, they will be able to come back, Trevino said.

The board approved a \$500 salary increase for administrators who are not scheduled to receive a step raise this year.

Trevino reported the district has applied for a grant that can award up to \$900,000 per campus. If they do not receive the grant, Dr. Trevino said they hope to proceed with the collegiate model and access funding elsewhere. The district wants to begin the process of establishing a pathway way for students to earn their associate's degree. Dr. Trevino met with South Plains College and they have developed a plan to get those pathways started this year.

"Every high school student will have

the opportunity to earn three college hours in the fall and three in the spring semester all paid for by the district," he said. Classes are \$180 per class. The board hopes to also cover book fees.

The board approved a contract with Fletcher Auctioneers to hold a one-day auction to sell items in the old high school building and the portable buildings. Trevino said they hope to hold the auction in August and demolish the building in September.

A contract with Lubbock Sports Medicine also was approved. The company treats students who have experienced any type of injury. If schools shut down this year, Lubbock Sports Medicine will continue to treat and serve students. They will still come out and work with Floydada.

The board approved amending the budget due to an increase in expenses with the summer feeding program. The cost for the program increased from \$10,000 to \$25,865. Trevino said the funds to cover the extra cost will come from the state.

In additional discussions, the board was told that football game attendance will be held to 50 percent capacity, which means Floydada will be allowed 750 fans at each home game. Tickets will go on pre-sale and parents of football players, band members and cheerleaders will be given priority before tickets are sold to the general public. Five hundred tickets will be given to each opposing team to pre-sale for games inside Tyer stadium. The stadium can hold a minimum of 1,500 on the home side and 1,000 on the visitor side.

The board also welcomed new employees: Emily Strah - ELA I & III; Tara Price - sixth grade ELA; Veronica DeLaFuente - sixth grade math; Mary Molinar - second grade; Erica Perez - third grade science/social studies; DuStan Hahnel - ELA II & IV; Matt Rehkoph - business/coach; Michael Barnett - US History/coach; and Hunter Garza - sixth grade social studies/science/coach.



Louis and Arleen Bearden remain happily married after many years. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

BEARDEN

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moved to Floydada that Sunday, and I started my route the next day, September 3, 1958. When we married, we did not even have a car. We bought our first car one month after we married. It was a 1951 Ford." Bearden said.

He started his deliveries at 4 a.m., and for the next four and a half years Bearden made his daily route serving Lockney and Floydada with all kinds of dairy items. "In those days, a lot of the people would leave their doors unlocked. I would just go inside and place the items they needed in the refrigerator and leave. A lot of times the families would ask me to sit and have a bite to eat with them if they were having breakfast or something like that at the time. If my schedule was running on time, I'd sit down and eat a little," said Bearden. "I'm proud to say that during my time with Bell Milk, I never missed a day of work."

It was during the time when Bearden worked for Bell Milk that the couple welcomed their first born, Cheryl. She and her mother almost share the same birthday. Cheryl was born on Sept 1, just the day before her mother's birthday.

In 1963, Lon Davis Jr. purchased the Morckel Farm Chemical Company from its owner, Harry Morckel. This business was soon incorporated and renamed David Farm Supply.

On April 22, 1963, Bearden went to work as manager for Davis Farm Supply. A few years later he bought into the business and continued serving as manager for 47 years.

Customer's may remember there was a western store upstairs called the Loft. The smell of leather goods, new denim and straw hats are what some may remember or maybe for the ladies it is that pair of Rockies that comes to mind.

"He wouldn't let me work up there," Arleen said. "Which was probably for the better I do not know if we could work together. Kay Hicks ran the Loft. I always liked her, she's such a sweet person."

In the early years of working for Davis Farm Supply, the couple welcomed son

Michael October 7, 1965. After the death of Arleen's sister, the family opened their loving home to their niece, 5-year-old Judy Ann. They raised her as their own. "Our kids were the joy of our lives," said Arleen. "Each one was so different yet such a blessing. We're grateful we've had so much time with them."

Davis Farm Supply was bought out by Crop Production Services on August 24, 2010. The name was later changed to Nutrien Ag Solutions. Bearden currently still works there as a salesman.

Once the couple's children were in school, Arleen went to work for Beall's Department Store in downtown Floydada and worked there until the store closed. She was a salesclerk for many years. She even took over working in the office when her friend, Willie Mae Marricle quit. She soon found another job working for Willy Oil keeping the books. Willy's was located just across the street from Davis Farm Supply. The business sadly had to close the doors just a few years later. She then worked about 30 years in the county tax office.

The couple's children now have lives of their own. Cheryl is married to William Couch. She is an RN at Covenant Hospital in Plainview and William is the owner of West Window Tint in Plainview. Michael moved away some years ago but now calls Floydada home, and Judy Ann McHam is married and lives in Gardendale, Ark. The couple also have a life rich with three granddaughters and three great granddaughters.

"I love living in Floydada. I have some of the best friends. We walk every day, and we'd go out and eat before this COVID virus," said Arleen.

For the last 20 years or so Bearden has been sharing his famous chocolate fudge at Christmas time. He makes about 120 batches and passes it out. "That is what gives me joy," he said.

After working all these years and only being sick 11 days during those years, Bearden has a piece of advice for the youth of today. "Work hard and be honest and you will go so far in life."

Notice of Annual Meeting

81st ANNUAL MEETING OF LIGHTHOUSE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE



Floydada - Memphis, Texas

Meeting to be held at the Lighthouse office in Floydada, Texas at the northeast corner of U.S. Highway 70 and Texas Highway 207

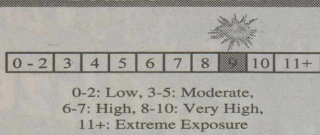
- Meeting will be held by way of 'drive-thru' attendance in front of the Lighthouse office in Floydada, Texas. The 'drive-thru' meeting will begin on Wednesday, August 26, 2020 at 7:00 a.m. and lasting until 7:00 p.m. and again on Thursday, August 27, 2020 from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.
- Vote for directors
- Register for \$750.00 grand prize
- Receive attendance gift for voting
- Receive Annual Meeting Report

The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Weather Summary

Seven Day Forecast

Wednesday Partly Cloudy 99 / 72	Thursday Partly Cloudy 96 / 74	Friday Partly Cloudy 95 / 72	Saturday Mostly Sunny 94 / 74	Sunday Sunny 95 / 77	Monday Sunny 96 / 75	Tuesday Sunny 95 / 72

Local UV Index



Weather Trivia

What causes thunder?
Answer: The rapid cooling and heating of air near the lightning.

Weather History

Aug. 5, 1843 - A spectacular cloudburst near Philadelphia turned the small creeks and streams entering the Delaware River into raging torrents. As much as 16 inches of rain fell in just three hours. Flooding destroyed 32 county bridges and caused 19 deaths.

Aug. 6, 1890 - Thunderstorms left four inches of hail covering the ground in Adair County and Union County in Iowa. The hail drifted into six-foot mounds and in some places remained on the ground for 26 days.

Detailed Local Forecast

Today we will see partly cloudy skies, high temperature of 99°, humidity of 39%. South southeast wind 9 to 14 mph. The record high temperature for today is 103° set in 1999. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of 72°. South wind 10 to 14 mph. The record low for tonight is 58° set in 1961. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy, high temperature of 96°, humidity of 25%. South wind 10 to 17 mph. Thursday night, skies will be mostly cloudy, overnight low of 74°. South wind 13 to 17 mph.

Peak Fishing/Hunting Times This Week

Day	Peak Times		Day	Peak Times	
	AM	PM		AM	PM
Wed	2:16-4:16	2:38-4:38	Sun	5:04-7:04	5:25-7:25
Thu	3:00-5:00	3:22-5:22	Mon	5:45-7:45	6:06-8:06
Fri	3:43-5:43	4:03-6:03	Tue	6:28-8:28	6:50-8:50
Sat	4:24-6:24	4:44-6:44			

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Last	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	First
8/11	Wed	7:01 a.m.	8:43 p.m.	10:22 p.m.	8:47 a.m.	8/25
	Thu	7:02 a.m.	8:42 p.m.	10:51 p.m.	9:45 a.m.	
	Fri	7:02 a.m.	8:41 p.m.	11:19 p.m.	10:41 a.m.	
	Sat	7:03 a.m.	8:40 p.m.	11:45 p.m.	11:36 a.m.	
New	Sun	7:04 a.m.	8:39 p.m.	Prev Day	12:31 p.m.	Full
8/18	Mon	7:05 a.m.	8:38 p.m.	12:13 a.m.	1:26 p.m.	9/2
	Tue	7:05 a.m.	8:37 p.m.	12:42 a.m.	2:22 p.m.	

Last Week's Almanac & Growing Degree Days

Date	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Date	High	Low	Normals	Precip
7/27	91	68	93/67	0.00"	7/27	29	7/31	25	
7/28	88	68	93/67	0.02"	7/28	28	8/1	28	
7/29	94	66	93/67	0.00"	7/29	30	8/2	27	
7/30	96	66	93/67	0.00"	7/30	31			
7/31	88	62	92/67	0.00"					
8/1	92	64	92/67	0.00"					
8/2	92	62	92/67	0.28"					

Growing degree days are calculated by taking the average temperature for the day and subtracting the base temperature (50 degrees) from the average to assess how many growing days are attained.

CENSUS

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Or, wait for a census enumerator to come to your home.

The census data is used by the federal government to determine the amount of funds it provides states for important programs, she said.

"The census data brings billions of dollars to the state that are associated with programs that touch people's lives every day, including Medicaid, Medicare, WIC, children's health programs, highways and highway planning, emergency response, parks, economic de-

velopment programs, housing programs and a whole host of other federally funded programs," she said.

Floyd County Judge Marty Lucke said the census determines the amount of funds available for schools, cities and counties.

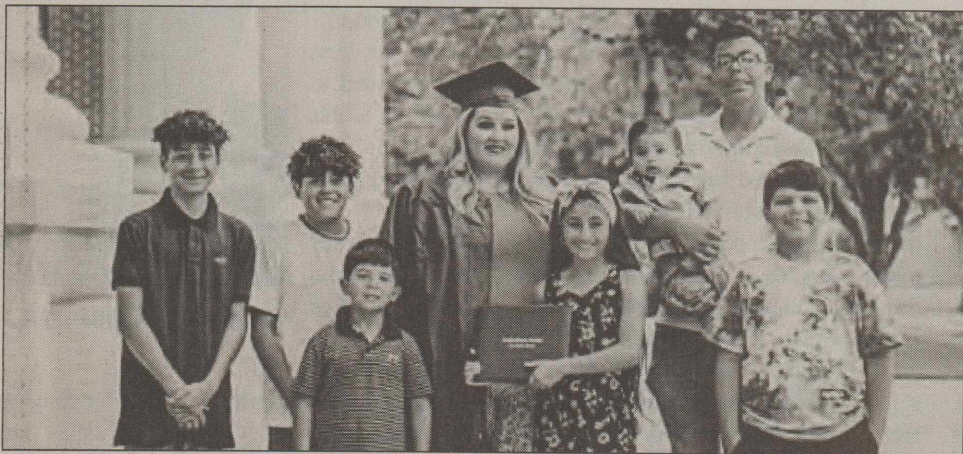
"It also is used to determine the number of senate and house representatives for the federal and state level," Lucke said. "It is used to determine voting districts and senate and house districts."

"Standing up and being counted helps you, your community, your county and your state."

SOCIETY

Recent graduate

Perez ready to begin new chapter



Olga Perez, with her children, shows off her diploma. Pictured from left, Eliazar Martinez, Valentin Martinez, Ayden Perez, Olga Perez, Yadirah Briones, Greyson Perez, Damion Perez and Iann Perez. (Courtesy photo)

By Teresa Bigham
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - It was harder getting this diploma during the COVID-19 shut down, but Olga Perez said nothing can hold her back now.

Perez, mother of seven, graduated from SPC cosmetology school in Plainview on

Thursday. Perez took a job in Plainview and will offer men's, children's, and women's haircuts, colors, perm, highlights, facials, manicures, pedicures and facial waxing.

She said she is excited for this new chapter in her life.

"Being a mom of seven kids, I could not have done this without my husband, Bert,

and the help of all my kids. My mom has helped me a lot, too. I couldn't have graduated without the help of some very special friends, so thanks to all of you for helping me achieve my dream," said Perez.

To book an appointment with Perez, call 806-983-6509. She said she is currently booking back to school cuts for the family.

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G. L. SNODGRASS

By Lucille Snodgrass Miller

In the year 1890, Carrick Snodgrass moved to Floyd County, Texas with his wife, Mary Ophelia Jimmerson Snodgrass and eight children; four boys -Harve, Gulia, Harry and Glad; four girls-Fannie, Will, Belle and Jessie only 2 years of age.

They traveled by covered wagons drawn by horses and mules and settled south of Floydada 5 miles in an abandoned half-dugout. The long move and the cold winter caused Ophelia to take pneumonia and die. She was the second grave in the Floydada Cemetery.

Harve and Gulia began to work outside the home to help with the family expenses.

Their first crop was cane. The grass was plowed up with a 1-row walking sod plow and planted and harvested by hand.

Gulia took a job punching cattle for the TM Ranch at 14 years of age. He enjoyed the cattle drives to market at Estelline, Texas, taking 18 days to make the trip. Later he worked for the Pitchfork Ranch.

In 1891 W. E. Gound

with his family moved to Floydada. Gulia met the beautiful blue-eyed girl called Ruth Gound, at one of the dances given by the parents. The courtship continued 6 years for Ruth and Gulia when he decided he couldn't live without her. In 1906 they were married at Benjamin, Texas, and moved to a 2-room house in Floydada, Texas. Here a daughter was born and died. A few years later Lucille was born. Gulia continued to like the wide-open spaces. He freighted from Canyon or Amarillo, Texas, which one was the closest railroad. He brought groceries, caskets, pipe or any supplies the merchants needed.

Gulia and Ruth decided to buy some land. They purchased the 160 acres northwest of Floydada known as the "Jennings Place," for a stock farm. Twin babies were born. The girl died at birth and the boy, William Carrick, was named for both his grandparents. Carrick was Lucille's pride and joy, even though most of the mischievousness was attributed to Lucille.

In 1918 the family decided

to buy more land. Dad traded his mares and colts for the land in Harmony Community, 12 miles west of Floydada. Gulia, Ruth, Lucille, Carrick and Grandmother Gound moved in wagons to the new place. On our way, Mother and Grandmother cooked our eggs and sausage and sour dough biscuits on a campfire.

Arriving about night, there was no time to replace glasses in the windows of the house. We put our beds on the floor. That night it came a terrible blowing snow. The next morning everything in the house was covered with snow and the stock could walk on drifts over the fences and the barns. The drifts lasted several weeks.

At eight years of age, Lucille entered the first 4-month term of school at Harmony with Miss Cora Trowbridge as teacher.

Three years lapsed and Carrick started to school also at Harmony. They finished their grade school and entered Floydada Schools. The family continued living at Harmony until Gulia death in June, 1956 and Ruth died in January, 1960.



Floydada Chamber names Business of the Month

Double N Metal Works is the Floydada Chamber of Commerce's July Business of the Month. "Chase Hammonds, left, and Roger Hammonds work very hard to get your operation back up and running in no time," said Chamber Manager Kortney DeBock. "They do fantastic work, and it's no surprise their business has been booming in the short amount of time they've been open."

Recipe of the Week

By Teresa Bigham
The Hesperian-Beacon

The week, Lauren Bell Rainwater, owner of Social Fly shares one of her most delicious recipes - Bourbon Peach Pie.

She grew in Arizona and Ohio, and in 2018 she found her way home to Floydada. She is the owner of Social fly coffee shop-boutique. For those looking for that unique item or a perk me up drink look no further than Social Fly.

She opened her business doors just about a year ago, "I love going to work every day. The people are just so sweet and amazing." At Social Fly, visitors can get that iced coffee or refreshing lemonade while browsing through the unique pieces of jewelry and the most popular clothing and shoe items, candles galore and she carries men products, as well.

"We try to get items that you can't get around here. We look for items that are one of kind and fit the

BOURBON PEACH PIE

Pie Crust:

- 2½ (12½ ounces) cups all-purpose flour
- ½ teaspoon kosher salt
- 2 sticks (8 ounces) unsalted butter, cold, cut into ½-inch cubes
- ½ cup ice water

Bourbon Peach Filling:

- 4 pounds peaches, peeled, pitted and sliced ¼-inch thick
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- ¼ to ½ cup all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon bourbon
- 2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 2 tablespoon unsalted butter, cut into ½-inch cubes
- 1 egg, lightly beaten
- Turbinado or coarse vanilla sugar

Procedure

To make the dough, place the flour and salt in a large mixing bowl. Using a pastry blender, two knives or your fingers, cut or rub the butter into the flour mixture until the butter pieces are the size of peas. Sprinkle ice water, 1 tablespoon at a time, over the flour mixture. Stir and fluff the flour mixture with a fork until shaggy clumps form. Pick up the large clumps and squeeze to test for moisture. If clumps hold together, transfer them to a work surface and continue adding tablespoons of ice water and stirring with the fork. Gather the clumps of dough together on the



Texas lifestyle," she said.

When Rainwater isn't busy at her coffee shop-boutique she enjoys heading off to the Springs for a weekend; she loves to travel, and cooking and shopping on high on her list of things she enjoys. "I love being around friends and family, too," Rainwater added.

She married Eric Rainwater in March of 2019. The couple have two fur babies that are loved and cherished. Rugie is a Blue Heller and Stella is a white Pomeranian.

work surface. If the butter feels soft, cover the dough with plastic wrap and refrigerate at least 30 minutes before proceeding. If the butter still feels cold, knead the dough gently 4 or 5 times. If dough falls apart, return it to the mixing bowl and sprinkle teaspoons of ice water and mix with a fork until dough holds together when squeezed.

Flatten the dough into a disk about 6 inches wide, cover in plastic wrap and refrigerate for 30 minutes before rolling.

To make the filling, add peaches, flour, sugar, lemon juice, bourbon, vanilla, salt and spices to a large bowl. Stir with a large spoon until peaches are evenly coated.

Preheat oven to 375°F. Remove dough from the refrigerator and split in half. Place first half on a well-floured surface. Keep the second half chilled until ready to roll. Roll out the first half until it is roughly 10" in diameter. Lay into a 9" metal pie dish and press into place.

Roll out the remaining half of dough in the same manner. Using a pastry wheel and a 1" ruler as a guide, cut strips of dough and set on a well-floured baking sheet.

Pour filling into pie dish and dot with cubed butter. Add lattice dough strips and trim all rough edges, leaving about a 1" border. Tuck the perimeter of the dough underneath itself to create a crust—crimp with your thumb and index fingers all the way around the pie.

Brush dough with the beaten egg and top with sugar. Bake pie on a parchment-lined baking sheet 60-70 minutes until golden brown and bubbling. Let cool at least 1 hour before slicing.

Floydada Senior Citizens news

By LuAnn Collins
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - The Center is now CLOSED for dining-in until September 2. Deliveries are still available.

The center is in need of five more deliveries or take-outs per day. The staff is doing its best to stay open to deliver to those who cannot leave their homes. Everyone is still eating, even if self-quarantined. So, please order a meal to be delivered or come by for a take-out.

The prices of our meals are \$6 for members and \$7 for non-members. Anyone who is breathing is eligible to eat with us or right now for a carry out or delivery.

The center also needs a volunteer delivery driver for one day or more. Drivers receive a delicious meal as payment for their time. The driver will report to the Center at 11:15 a.m. The deliveries take about 30 minutes.

Remember, Tuesday meals are \$4 meals. Check the menu to see what is

offered each Tuesday.

Call 983-2032 for home delivery by 11 a.m. Delivery drivers begin delivering at 11:30 a.m.

The mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, TX 79235 and the phone number is 806-983-2032.

Thank you for remembering the Center with donations or memorials.

MENU

August 10 - August 14

- Monday - Meatloaf
- Tuesday - Taco salad - \$4
- Wednesday - Chicken strips
- Thursday - Smothered burrito
- Friday - BBQ on bun

(Menu subject to change without notice)

Lockney Senior Citizens news

By Bambi Session
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY- The Center serves lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday, by curbside pickup, drive through or delivery. Anyone wanting lunch can call the Center by 9:30 a.m. daily. Delivery in Lockney ONLY.

Meals are \$6 for members and \$7 for non-members.

Also available to order each day from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. is: Hamburger basket - \$7; Steak finger basket - \$7; Chicken strip basket - \$7; Club sandwich and chips - \$7; Salads (Chef, chicken & etc) - \$7; Chili cheese dog and chips - \$7. Pre-orders are welcome starting at 9 a.m.

The Center's staff appreciates everyone

and said they can't wait to see everyone again.

For questions, contact the center at 806-652-2745. Stay safe.

AUGUST CALENDER:
Aug. 15 - Saturday Night Fish Fry - 5 p.m. until sold out
Aug. 24 - Bingo Night - 6 p.m.

MENU

August 17 - August 21

- Monday - Philly cheesesteak sandwiches
- Tuesday - Chalupas
- Wednesday - Salmon croquettes
- Thursday - Pizza
- Friday - Chicken Alfredo

(Menu subject to change without notice)

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OBITUARIES/CHURCH

Billy Joe Hambright

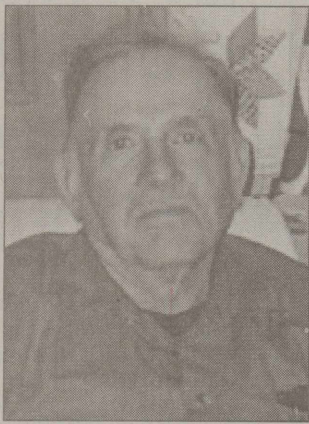
Billy Joe Hambright, age 91, passed away Thursday, July 30, 2020.

Graveside services were held at 10 a.m., Monday, August 3, 2020 at the Lakeview Cemetery. Gary Boles officiated.

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

Billy was born July 13, 1929 to Will and Ethel (Alexander) Hambright in Floydada.

He is survived by his daughter, Kathy Green; a son, Todd Hambright; three grandchildren, Heather Smallwood, Zach Green, and Jeremy Green;



BILLY JOE HAMBRIGHT

two great-grandchildren and one brother, Robert Hambright.

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

Carl Lee (Cobb) Gilly

Carl Lee (Cobb) Gilly, age 98, passed away Friday, August 7, 2020.

A graveside memorial service was held at 11 a.m., Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at the Floyd County Memorial Park in Floydada. Rance Young officiated.

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

Carl Lee (Cobb) Gilly was born September 16, 1921 on the family farm north of Floydada.

His dad, John Vincent Gilly, came to Floyd County in 1900 and lived about two years in a half-dugout before returning to Virginia in 1906 to marry Miss Mary Anna Parsons. He brought her back to a two-room house he had built and they settled into life on the Plains. They had five children of whom Cobb was the youngest. He died on August 7, 2020.

Vince Gilly purchased the original farmland for \$1 dollar per acre. That same land has been in the family now for 120 years.

In recognition of the spirit of those who settled, farmed and developed Floyd County, Cobb was honored as Pioneer Man of the Year in 2015.

Cobb rode to school at Cedar Hill on horseback and liked to tell his family about his lunch – a biscuit with jel-

ly. He also liked to play basketball.

After high school, good jobs were very scarce. And, the admonition - GO WEST, YOUNG MAN - plus, the possibilities of employment, seemed the thing to do. At 19 Cobb and two of his buddies pooled their money, less than \$50, and drove to California in his old Dodge truck. Upon arrival in California, Cobb found a job washing dishes, then later a job at Douglass Aircraft as a riveter assembling airplane fuselages. The pay was 88-cents an hour, which wasn't all that bad, he said.

After about two years, Cobb came back to Floydada and courted Lois Beard, the oldest daughter of Orb and Sarah Lackey Beard. A few months later he and Lois met in Flagstaff, Arizona where they were married on February 1, 1942 and returned to California.

In October of 1942, Cobb joined the Navy. He served as the navigator of a 6-man flight crew on a PV-1 Ventura Patrol Bomber. He was stationed in Guam, the Philippines and Solomon Islands. The plane was used for anti-ship patrol, photographic reconnaissance and bombing runs. In 1996, 50 years after his service to his country, Cobb was awarded the U.S. Air Medal and the Gold Star for meritorious

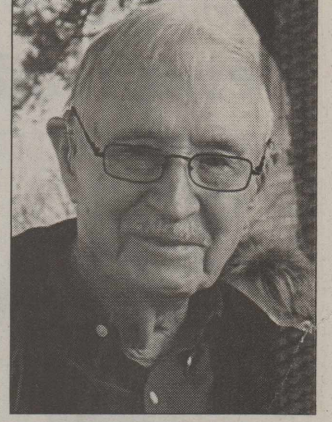
achievement while participating in combat aerial flight.

After the South Pacific, Lois joined him in Seattle where he met his 18-month-old daughter for the first time. They later returned to Floyd County where Cobb, and his brother, Gene Gilly, worked the Gilly Family Farm.

Cobb and Lois raised two daughters, Barbara and Cathy. Lois Beard Gilly died in 1995. Those who knew Cobb were well aware of his love for a good joke, his friends and his family. Besides taking pride in his children and grandchildren, he relished "getting a good deal" on any, if not every, purchase. Among his extravagances in life – of which there were few – were automobiles and clothes.

If you ask Cobb about highlights from his life, he would likely say the best trip was the 2012 South Plains Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. to visit all of our nation's memorials. They were met by honor guards everywhere and Cobb said that complete strangers would come over, shake their hands, and say, "THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY!"

He has shared his life the last 24 years with Wanda Williams, who lost her husband, Aldean, in 1996. Wanda has been his companion, friend and the focus of his



CARL LEE (COBB) GILLY

attention since. Her daughters and their husbands – Sarah and Kim Hinsley, the late Linda and Michael Hinsley, have been his extended family for these years, as well.

Cobb is survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, Barbara Christian and Dan Dwelle, Santa Fe, New Mexico, and Cathy and Steve Steger, Kenedy, Texas; three grandchildren and spouses, David and Angel Christian, Amarillo, Texas, Heidi Steger Reed and Trey Reed, San Antonio, Texas, and Josh and Wendy Steger, Sachse, Texas; and five great-grandchildren, Carly Christian, Lubbock, Texas, Cason Christian, Amarillo, Texas, Caitlyn Reed, San Antonio, Texas, Carson Reed, San Antonio, Texas, and Kaia Steger, Sachse, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the charity of one's choice.

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

Jerry Bob Harrison

Jerry Bob Harrison, age 84, passed away on Saturday, August 1, 2020 at his home in Lubbock, Texas.

Graveside services were held at 10 a.m., Wednesday, August 5, 2020 at Lakeview Cemetery in Floyd County, Texas. Foy Anderson officiated.

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

He was born in his grandmother's home in the Lakeview Community to

Don and Ruth Harrison on December 21, 1935. He graduated from Floydada High School in 1954.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and brother, Joe Max Harrison.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations be sent to Southwest Parkinson's Society, 3610 22nd Street, Suite 300, Lubbock, Texas 79401.

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

CHURCH DIRECTORY

People of Peace

We are... Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. - 2 Corinthians 5:20 (NIV)

Last fall, my autistic son was struggling in school with an impatient, inexperienced teacher. After daily unpleasant encounters, he became anxious and began to lose his love for learning. As his main advocate, I attempted to communicate with the teacher for several months, only to be ignored.

Later, as I was reading 2 Corinthians 5, God reminded me that I had been called to be a person of peace. I had become more focused on injustice than love, more intent on being right than seeking resolution. After I repented, God showed me that underneath the teacher's prickly, defensive reactions was a person leading a challenging classroom and having to constantly prove herself to keep her job. My heart was moved from irritation and outrage to compassion and understanding. I began

to pray for this teacher daily, and God empowered me to respond to her with words of encouragement and peace. Over time, the teacher changed her approach, treating my son with greater patience, gentleness, and consideration for his challenges.

God asks us to be Christ's representatives to those around us. When others are angry, defensive, or hurt, we are called to respond as God does to us: with compassion, love, and peace. Through our prayers and Christlike responses, God's transforming love can heal the hearts of those around us and bring peace to all of us. (John 14:27, NIV). —Sara Hague (Oregon, USA)

TODAY'S PRAYER

God of peace, comfort those who are living in great turmoil, and rescue those who face persecution. Grant them your peace. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

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983-2578
Sunday School...10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m.

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

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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
Bob DuPont, Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study - 7 p.m.

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

First Baptist Church
Lockney
Joseph Tillery, Pastor
Ron Kuykendall - Worship Leader
Chad Cook, Youth Min.
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.

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

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

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

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
Floydada
Rev. Timothy Askey
401 N 12th St. 983-5805
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wednesday Study - 6 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

San Jose Catholic Church
Priest - Sylvester Dsouza
Sat - 4:30 p.m. Evening Mass
Sun - 9 a.m. Mass
Mon - 9:30 a.m. Mass
Thurs. - 5:30 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. Hemandez
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
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Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m.
Mon. & Wed. Mass - 6:30 p.m.
Confession Sat - 10-11 a.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

AGRICULTURE

Floyd County 4-H Spotlight

By Teresa Bigham
The Hesperian-Beacon

Karis McIntosh is a first year Floyd County 4-H'er. She is a fun loving, full of life young lady who loves art.

McIntosh said she is looking forward to entering the fourth grade. She has missed her friends during the COVID-19 shut down but had the time of her life this summer when she took a trip to Arkansas to stay on a houseboat on Lake Ouachita.

She is the daughter of Ian and Bonnie McIntosh.

During the spring meeting, McIntosh said what she loved doing the most was "sewing, of course, just like my mom does."

As a first year 4-H'er she has taken part of many projects. Some of her favorite were stockings for soldiers, prickly pear jelly making and day camp. She also enjoys photography, and she won the July fireworks photo contest.



Operations impacted by pandemic can apply for assistance program

By Gary Six
State Executive Director in Texas
USDA Farm Service Agency

COLLEGE STATION—Farmers and ranchers feed our state, our nation, and in fact, our world. You work long hours to provide essential resources for us all, and in these challenging times, I want you to know that USDA is here to support you and your operation through our Coronavirus Food Assistance Program, or CFAP.

Whether you farm one acre or many more, grow food for local markets or big supply chains, CFAP can help. We're accepting applications through Aug. 28 and encouraging producers to apply now.

In Texas, we have already approved more than 27,500 applications and disbursed nearly \$331.7 million as of July 20. I know many of you have applied for CFAP already, but the numbers indicate that some who are eligible have not. If you're still unsure about CFAP and your operation, I encourage you to

take five minutes today to visit www.farmers.gov/cfap or call 877-508-8364 to learn about eligibility and options to apply. Whether you've worked with FSA for years or this will be a first, we're here to help you every step of the way.

CFAP provides direct relief to producers who faced price declines and additional marketing costs due to COVID-19. You can access the full list of eligible non-specialty, specialty, livestock, dairy, and wool commodities by visiting www.farmers.gov/cfap.

We know you're busy, so we've outlined options to apply at the top of www.farmers.gov/cfap. We offer a CFAP Application Portal where those of you with eAuthentication accounts can submit your application online. Don't have an eAuthentication account? You can enroll at www.farmers.gov/sign-in. We also offer a manual application option, and a CFAP Application Generator and Payment Calculator that allows you to input information specific to your operation to determine

estimated payments and populate the application form.

You can apply now for the commodities that are currently eligible, and if any other commodities you produce are added to the program, we will happily amend your application.

If you have questions, please let us know. You can call our CFAP Call Center for one-on-one support with the CFAP application process. Call 877-508-8364 to speak directly with a USDA employee ready to offer personalized assistance. And, as always, the FSA office at your local USDA Service Center is also there to help you prepare your application.

Farmers and ranchers continue to be the backbone of our nation. I know Texas' agricultural producers are facing unprecedented challenges with the coronavirus pandemic, and I want to make sure we at USDA are doing all we can to provide critical support. We thank our farmers and ranchers, and we encourage you to apply for CFAP today.

Texas Sheep and Goat Expo goes virtual

By Susan Himes
Texas A&M AgriLife

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service announced the 2020 Texas Sheep and Goat Expo will be presented in an all-virtual format. The state's largest sheep and goat event will be presented free to all participants this year.

"With everything going on with COVID-19 and rules and associated recommendations for gatherings continuously changing, the planning committee wanted to ensure the safety of all of our participants, exhibitors and speakers while still being able to provide the same great information to those in the sheep and goat industry," said Robert Pritz, AgriLife Extension



regional program leader, San Angelo.

"We had already planned for a partially virtual event, and recent decisions have us now transitioning to an all-webinar format."

The expo format will consist of presentations via Zoom Aug. 14-15. There is no cost to participants, but

participate.

"The recent success of the Texas A&M Beef Cattle Short Course's virtual format is a great indicator that the demand for this type of program is strong across the state," he said. "We've taken challenging circumstances and used them to create an online program that will reach more folks than an in-person event could."

Pritz said while he knows attendees will miss the in-person fellowship of past years, he is excited to be able to still hold the event and is grateful for the support of event sponsors.

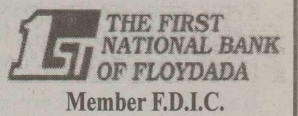
"Business and Technology" is the theme of this year's event and experts will cover many different segments of the industry and address the concerns

and challenges facing producers today.

The expo is the largest event of its type in Texas and one of the largest sheep and goat industry educational programs in the world.

Check the Texas Sheep and Goat Expo website or the Texas Sheep and Goat Expo Facebook page for additional updates.

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FLOYD COUNTY - The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon congratulates all of the 2020 graduates from Floydada High School and Lockney High School and will be giving each a complimentary one-year subscription to The Hesperian-Beacon.

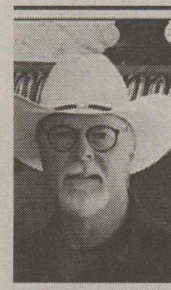
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Between the lines On monasteries and solitude



BRUCE W. GREEN

If I had not married my wife - which of course was divinely appointed - I think I might have made a monk. I am quite sure I would have been a bad one but a monk nonetheless.

For a very long time, I have been attracted to the strict schedule of hermitic life called an horarium, with its intensely busy life of prayer, meditations, study, physical exercise, household chores, and gardening, all centered in silence and solitude.

It's certainly not for everyone but withdrawing from the world to better serve God and the world has always made sense to me.

It is a fact of history that some men - and women - have exerted a greater positive influence over the lives of others from their monastic enclosures than they ever would have had they remained in the hustle and bustle of the world.

But I am likely romanticizing this rewarding but austere way of life. I may be a bit like Flannery O'Connor who said she thought she could be a martyr if only her persecutors would kill her quickly.

Similarly, I might have made a monk as long as it was easy, and I could live in solitude fiddling with books, cows or horses in the Western desert.

Be that as it may, there is something to this idea of the active passivity of silence, stillness and listening, tucked away for a while from our noisy and word-saturated society.

But in a world that doesn't favor meditation or quiet, the art of listening is learned only with difficulty.

I am not talking about unregulated idleness. I am talking about the regular and disciplined practice of retreating from the gaudy trappings of the modern world to shake the dust off our souls and to think on higher things.

So, I am an advocate of creating your own little monastery wherever you can. All you will need is a place where you can practice solitude.

You don't need absolute separation from all people but a place where you can be separate for a time from the clamor and temptations of the world. No evening news, no Facebook, no tweeting.

But, in keeping with the traditional concept of a monastery as a place of work, you'll need at least a vegetable or flower garden, a library and, I recommend an oratory (small chapel area).

I have a friend whose monastery is his farm in East Texas and one whose monastery is his sheep ranch in the Panhandle Plains.

Many years ago, I retreated at least twice a year to a ranch in the remote Missouri Breaks of Montana, where I spent countless hours in the saddle without seeing another human being during calving season. I went there to think and study.

My wife and I have created our own little monastery where we live. It even has an enclosed courtyard, an oratory, a flower garden, and a gate at the driveway that can be closed to symbolically shut out the world for a time.

We do a lot of thinking, reading and praying in this little monastery. My wife works on flowers there and I re-think the values of the modern world - all the things I was told were important but which now seem like sawdust in my mouth.

I know some who read this column may have no interest in quiet chapels, prayer or religion. I understand that. In this utilitarian modern age saturated in materialism, it is hard to see the importance of anything that can't be seen, touched and eventually become bored with.

To those readers, I simply ask that they consider the fact that society itself depends for its well-being on an ability to make use of its latent moral and mental resources when it needs them.

In hard times, like the present, society must tap those latent resources in order to navigate through the dark. In other words, it must reach deep down where it stores the moral and intellectual resources to deal with crisis and pull them out.

If there are no latent moral and mental resources stored in reserve, then society may find itself up the proverbial creek without a paddle.

I am simply suggesting those latent moral and intellectual resources are developed in solitude - in the monasteries of our own making.

And it appears to me that before this world as we know it comes to an end, our society is likely going to need the latent resources we should have been developing and storing long before now.

Which brings me to a fitting announcement that won't make Fox News, but I share with my friends in the Panhandle and Panhandle Plains.

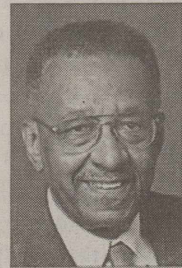
This is my last Between the Lines column.

The demands of other work don't allow me the time to spend in The Last Best Place I would like these days. And my own little monastery is calling.

I have enjoyed my one-way conversation with all you folks, most of whom I will never meet. I hope you value what you have, that you keep your common sense, that you stay away from Austin, and that you spend some time in solitude. Email Green at bgreen@lknewsgroup.com

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Opinion: Leftist effort to revise American History



Walter E. Williams

There is very little new under the sun. The monument and statue destruction that we are witnessing has been witnessed in other times and other places. A tyrant's first battlefield is to rewrite history. Most notable were the political purges of Joseph Stalin. The Soviet government erased figures from Soviet history by renaming cities -- such as the Imperial capital of St. Petersburg to Petrograd and Leningrad and Stalingrad -- and eradicating memories of czarist rule.

Stalin's historical revisions also included changing photographs and history books, thereby distorting children's learning within educational establishments.

Most of the effort to rewrite American history has its roots among the intellectual elite on our college campuses whose message has been sold to predominantly white college students who have little understanding of how they are being used. Much of their current focus is on tearing down statues and changing names that they deem offensive. They have denounced George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Abraham Lincoln. Without much understanding of history, they have demanded that Princeton University remove the name of Woodrow Wilson, who was a progressive, from its public policy school and residential college. Some are urging Yale University to change its name because its benefactor Elihu Yale was a slave trader.

To purge our society of names associated with evil is going to be quite a task. I suggest that we set up a formal commission to deal with this formidable challenge. Maybe we can name it the Commission to Eliminate Bad Memories. There are some challenging issues. What should be done about our nation's capital, Washington and District of Columbia? After all, George Washington owned slaves, and Columbia is the feminine form of Columbus. Speaking of Washington, its football team, the Washington Redskins, has finally agreed to temporarily

call themselves Washington Football Team until they can find a snazzier name.

Renaming things is a big job. Our military has several fighting aircraft named with what today's tyrants might consider racial slights, such as the Apache, Iroquois, Kiowa, Lakota and Mescalero. Perhaps offensive to PETA, we also have military hardware named after animals, such as the Eagle, Falcon, Raptor, Cobra and Dolphin.

Clarence Page of the Chicago Tribune wrote, "Now that Washington's NFL team has announced its 'retirement' of the racial slur that has been its brand name since 1933, I am tempted to gloat a little." In response to Page's article, there is an email making the internet rounds that raises naming issues. What about the Kansas City Chiefs, the Atlanta Braves and the Cleveland Indians?

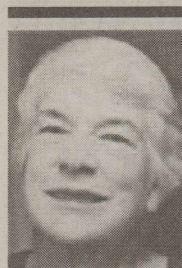
The New York Yankees might offend Southerners because there is no team named for the Confederacy. Some people, particularly Catholics, might be offended by or deem it sacrilegious to have sports teams named the New Orleans Saints, the Los Angeles Angels or the San Diego Padres. Then what about team names that glorify savage barbarians and criminals who raped and pillaged such as Oakland Raiders, Minnesota Vikings, Tampa Bay Buccaneers and Pittsburgh Pirates? The New York Giants and the San Francisco Giants might be promoting obesity and the Milwaukee Brewers promoting alcoholism.

There is another naming issue that needs resolution. I have been working 40 years at George Mason University. Despite his monumental contributions, such as our Bill of Rights, George Mason was a slave owner. Therefore, in keeping with the times, George Mason University is due for a name change. How about Al Sharpton University, Jesse Jackson University or Black Lives Matter University? Does objection to these names make one a racist?

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The 501: Outsmarting Amazon



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It's hard to get a grip on a cloud - even if you're sitting in an open-air cockpit zipping right through one. Clouds are ungrab-able.

But The Cloud has a grip on me. I refer to the all-knowing information-holding Cloud hovering over us users of the Internet.

I shouldn't have let The Cloud see my notes on my cellphone. It's like giving your mother a key to your diary.

Here's what happened:

An RV converter is the nerve center for all things electrical, AC and DC. If the brightness of interior RV lights fluctuates, it's probably a failing converter. Not good.

Erratic behavior of our RV lighting prompted me to write down the converter brand and model number: "World Friendship Co., 8955PEC, Converter in Keystone." All I did was write that note to myself - like jotting something down in a little pocket notebook, except I did the jotting on my phone.

When I next viewed my email, I saw a fresh message from Amazon, subject line "WFCO WF8955PECB Black 55 Amps."

What? I hadn't even started shopping for the item. All I did was transcribe some info.

I should have bought stock in amazing Amazon back when it wasn't so amazing.

Amazon knows my shopping habits. No surprise. They keep records.

But now they've gone too far by reading my notes and predicting my wishes! Allow me to quote my mother:

The very idea!

Or Major Hoople: Harrumph!

If and when I decide to buy a WFCO WF8955PEC, it'll be

from an unsuspecting retailer. Unless Amazon offers a better deal.

What is it we humans don't like about being monitored by entities like Amazon?

Loss of control.

It's an unsettling experience to be targeted by Amazon when you scribble down a mental note.

What to do? I can take my phone notes off The Cloud. Then I myself won't be able to access my notes via The Cloud.

I think I'd rather write random misleading notes to throw Amazon off track. How long will it take them to respond to a different converter model number?

EXPERIMENT.

It's been five minutes. They've not yet tried to sell me a PM3-12V LK Series Powermax.

If Amazon is smart enough to read my notes, why the lag?

Meanwhile, who names a business World Friendship Company? Someone in Botswana? (I know all about Botswana-sounding names because I read Alexander McCall-Smith novels set in Botswana.) But cows and diamonds prevail there. World Friendship Company is likely based elsewhere. Maybe China?

RESEARCH.

Surprise! Elkhart, Indiana!

WFC has a trust-inspiring all-American website. A picture of the impressive winged headquarters and grounds shows sculpted shrubbery that spells WFCO. Plus several palm trees. No kidding.

Regarding their products, WFC suggests I should shop at my favorite RV dealership.

Even if it costs more, belying up to a real counter seems like a great way to spite snoopy Amazon and The Cloud.

I'm feeling more powerful already.

Except I still haven't snagged Amazon with my false bait.

Please, Amazon. One nibble, please.

Floyd County COVID-19 report

FLOYD COUNTY - Floyd County officials announced there has been 3 additional active cases in Floyd County along with 11 recoveries. As of Thursday, Aug. 6, there were 103 total reported cases with 74 cases reported as fully recovered, 7 inactive cases, 17 active cases along with five deaths.

- CASE #103: FLOYDADA - Female 80-89 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #102: LOCKNEY - Male 60-69 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #101: LOCKNEY - Male 60-69 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #100: FLOYDADA - Male 90-99 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #99: FLOYDADA - Male 20-29 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #98: LOCKNEY - Male 90-99 years of age. Hospitalized.
- CASE #97: FLOYDADA - Male 50-59 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #96: LOCKNEY - Female 70-79 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #95: FLOYDADA - Female 90-99 years of age. Deceased.

- CASE #94: FLOYDADA - Female 80-89 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #93: LOCKNEY - Male 50-59 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #92: LOCKNEY - Female 50-59 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #91: FLOYDADA - Male 10-19 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #90: FLOYDADA - Male 60-69 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #89: FLOYDADA - Male 80-89 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #88: FLOYDADA - Male 50-59 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.

- CASE #87: FLOYDADA - Female 50-59 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #86: FLOYDADA - Female 30-39 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #85: FLOYDADA - Male 30-39 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #84: FLOYDADA - Male 20-29 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #83: FLOYDADA - Female 20-29 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #82: FLOYDADA - Female 80-89 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #81: LOCKNEY - Female 40-49 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #80: SOUTH PLAINS - Male 70-79 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #79: FLOYDADA - Female 50-59 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #78: LOCKNEY - Male 20-29 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #77: FLOYDADA - Male 20-29 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #76: LOCKNEY - Male 40-49 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
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For additional information please contact the following person:
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Attention: Calixta Sustaita, Food Service
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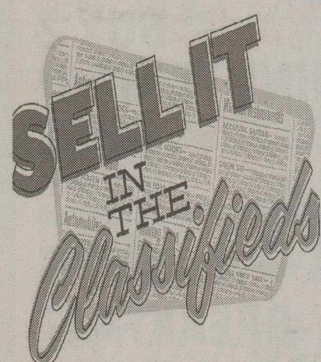
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Floydada Independent School District
Attention: Dr Gilbert Trevino, Superintendent
Administration
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Floydada

Request for a zoning variance to install a metal carport at the following described property:

Lot 9, W/10, Block 01, West Side Heights Addition
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THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FLOYDADA WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2020 AT 4:00 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT FLOYDADA CITY HALL IN REGARD TO THE PROPOSED REQUEST FOR A ZONING VARIANCE TO INSTALL A METAL CARPORT ON THE WEST SIDE OF HOUSE. PERSONS WHO NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE WISHING TO ATTEND THIS MEETING SHOULD CONTACT CITY HALL AT 983-2834 AT LEAST 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE.



50-280 (Rev. 8-1915)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The FLOYDADA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT will hold a public meeting at 6:50 P.M., AUGUST 25, 2020 in BOARD ROOM AT 226 W CALIFORNIA ST FLOYDADA, TEXAS

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax \$ 1.0547 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
 School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters \$ 0.4668 /\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	% increase	or	<u>6.4</u>	% (decrease)
Debt service	% increase	or	<u>5.1</u>	% (decrease)
Total expenditures	% increase	or	<u>6.1</u>	% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ <u>931,319,234</u>	\$ <u>910,136,692</u>
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ <u>31,190</u>	\$ <u>115,370</u>
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ <u>764,662,697</u>	\$ <u>724,736,925</u>
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ <u>31,190</u>	\$ <u>115,370</u>

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8).
 ** "New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17).
 *** "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 33,514,975

* Outstanding principal.

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Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.06830	\$ 0.4530*	\$ 1.52130	\$ 10,557	\$ 7,855
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.09568	\$ 0.46775*	\$ 1.56344	\$ 9,762	\$ 8,540
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.05470	\$ 0.46680*	\$ 1.52150	\$ 10,247	\$ 7,873

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 36,278	\$ 36,423
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 21,601	\$ 21,953
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.5214	\$ 1.5215
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 328.63	\$ 334.02
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 5.39

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.52873. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of 1.52873.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 9,388,797
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 0

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

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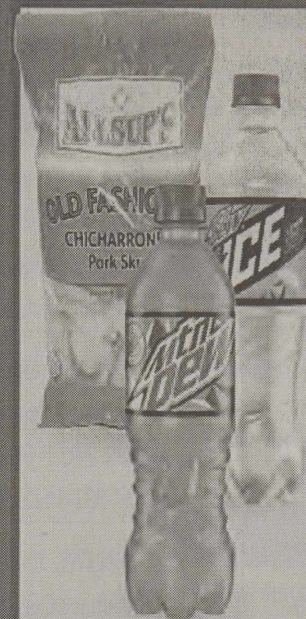
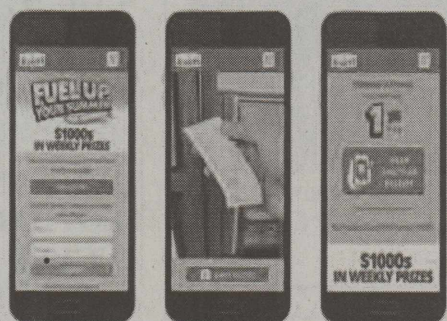


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Floydada Whirlwinds

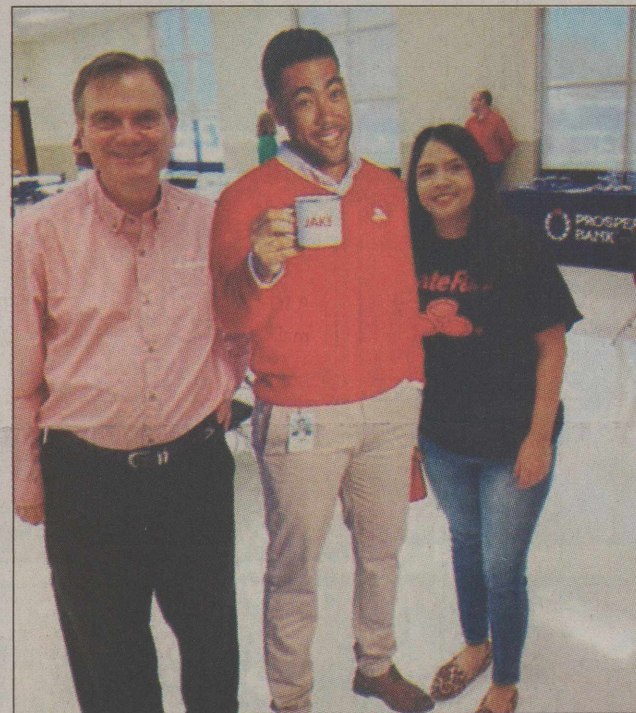
Local businesses welcome new FCISD employees

The Hesperian-Beacon/Yelena Serrato

FLOYDADA—State Farm, Prosperity Bank, First Baptist church, Whirlwind Nutrition, Nutthouse Designs and First United Methodist all participated in a welcoming event on August 6 dedicated to new Floydada Collegiate ISD employees. These community members set up their booths and visited with employees during their new staff orientation.

After their orientation, new staff members loaded up the Whirlwind bus and traveled all across town to learn more about their new working environment.

These employees were made known of the Floydada courthouse location, DPS and voting services, postal service and every little thing that makes the community of Floydada so special.



Whirlwind Pride Spotlight

By Yelena Serrato
The Hesperian-Beacon



Audrie Strange

Rising senior Audrie Strange is eagerly waiting to start her final cheer season. Cheerleading is all Strange has known as a devoted four-year member of the Whirlwind cheer squad.

Strange is the daughter of Matt and Camaray Strange. For Strange, it is the friends she has made that has made her journey extra special.

"I love everything about cheering for FHS, but the thing I enjoy most is the friendships and bonds made since we are such a tight-knit squad," said Strange.

Strange said she is most excited for the New Deal and Whirlwind match since it will be a night dedicated to her and her fellow senior cheerleaders.

"I am looking most forward to the New Deal game because it is our senior night, and I can't wait to get to walk the field one last time with my family and friends," she said.

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU Aug. 17 – Aug. 21

- Monday**
Breakfast- Banana muffin, apple, juice, milk
Lunch -Spicy chicken patty sandwich, meatloaf w/rice, corn, roll, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk
- Tuesday**
Breakfast- Egg & cheese sandwich, peaches, juice, milk
Lunch -Chicken fried steak, roll, fajita chicken salad wrap, seasoned mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk
- Wednesday**
Breakfast- Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, mandarin oranges, juice, milk
Lunch - Beefy baked Rotini, breaded chicken patty sandwich, spiced green beans, roll, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk
- Thursday**
Breakfast -Mini chocolate chip French toast, pineapple, juice, milk
Lunch - Cheese enchiladas, Spanish rice, turkey & cheese sub, seasoned pinto beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk
- Friday**
Breakfast -Chicken biscuit sandwich, diced pears, juice, milk
Lunch - Chicken nuggets, grilled cheese sandwich, seasoned mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Governor Abbott waives STAAR grade promotion requirements

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

AUSTIN—Gov. Greg Abbott's office announced last week that grade promotion requirements related to the STAAR test will be waived for students in fifth and eighth grade in 2020-21.

Currently, school systems must take into account student's score on the STAAR test to determine

whether the student can be promoted to the next grade level, and fifth- and eighth-graders must retake the test if they don't meet grade level.

The waiver announced Monday requires only one administration of the STAAR in 2020-21 for math and reading in fifth and eighth grades.

The test will be administered in May to coincide

with other third through eighth grade STAAR tests. The traditional A-F rating system will remain in place but with certain adjustments due to COVID-19.

Abbott said the waiver is meant to help overcome disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

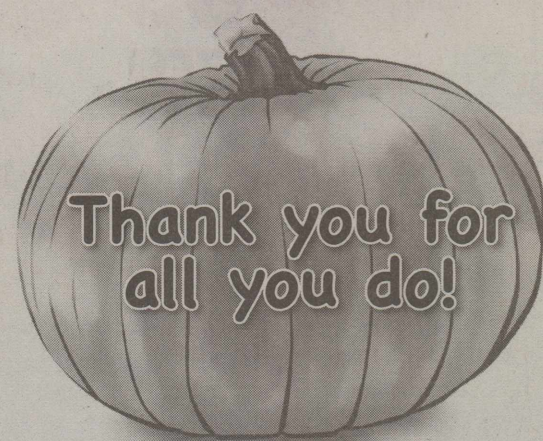
"By waiving these promotion requirements, we are providing greater flexibility for students and teachers,

while at the same time ensuring that Texas students continue to receive a great education — which we will continue to measure with high-quality assessments."

While the state will not use the test to determine promotions, it will provide necessary assessment data and keep schools accountable for learning, Texas lawmakers added in the news release.

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Back to work for Whirlwind football, band



Floydada Whirlwinds officially began two-a-days practices the last week as they prepare for the upcoming season. Players are gearing up for a week of practicing and conditioning. The Whirlwinds will face the Tulia Hornets in its season opener Aug. 28 in Tulia followed by the county rival match up against the Lockney Longhorns on Sept. 4 in Tyer Stadium. (The Hesperian Beacon/Yelena Serrato)



The Floydada Whirlwind Band has been preparing for this year's marching competition. This year is very special for the Whirlwind band since it qualified to advance to this year's state marching competition. Whirlwind band members have been polishing their marching techniques and mastering each note for their show this school year. (The Hesperian Beacon/Yelena Serrato)



Lockney Longhorns

Lockney Junior High School supply list for new year

6th grade

- Pencils
- Black pens
- Red pens
- Notebook paper
- Small index cards
- Expose markers
- Glue sticks
- 1 – spiral notebook (1 subject)
- 1 (1-inch 3 ring binder)
- 1 set map colors
- Kleenex
- Scissors

6th grade Science (Ms. Bryan)

- 2-inch white binder
- Pencil pouch pencils
- Red pens
- Highlighters
- Dividers
- Notebook paper
- Kleenex
- Disinfection wipes

7th grade

- Black pens and red pens
- Pencils
- 1 pkg. highlighters and expo markers
- Notebook paper
- Map colors
- 1-1subject spiral notebook
- Small index cards
- 2 boxes Kleenex
- 2 glue sticks

7th grade reading (Ms. Bryan)

- 2-inch white binder
- Pencil pouch
- Pencils
- Red pens
- Highlighters
- Dividers
- Notebook paper
- Kleenex
- Disinfection wipes

8th grade

- Pencils
- Black pens
- Red pens
- Notebook paper
- Map colors
- Highlighters
- 1 – 1 subject spiral notebook
- Scissors
- 2 boxes of Kleenex
- 2 glue sticks

Science 7th and 8th grade (Mr. Day)

- 1-inch white binder
- Kleenex
- Notebook paper
- Map colors
- Glue sticks
- Black pens
- Red pens
- Pencils
- Highlighters

Art (students not in band take Art)

- 1-folder with pockets and brads
- Spiral sketch book (80-100 pages)
- Pencils bag
- Pencils
- Scissors

Math 6th & 7th grade (Mrs. Bradley)

- Pencils
- Pen of any color
- 2 packs of dividers (pkg. of 8)
- 2-inch binder

Math 8th grade (Mrs. Kidd)

- Pencils
- Red pens
- 1 spiral
- Notebook paper

Longhorn Pride Spotlight

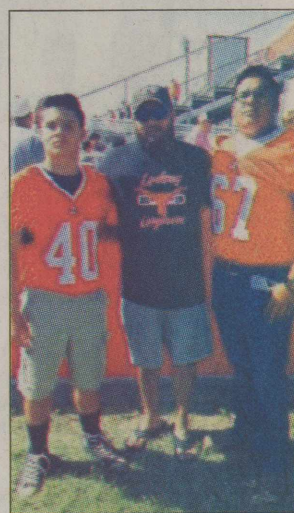


Longhorn pride times three – Brothers Jonathan Lara, left, Miguel Lara III, right, and their dad, Miguel Lara II.

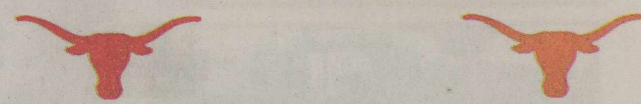
This family has Longhorn pride as Jonathan Lara enters his sophomore year at LHS, and Miguel begins his senior year.

Miguel is a guard, middle linebacker and punter and Jonathan is a full back on defense and a linebacker. This will be the only year these two brothers play on the varsity squad together.

Their parents and two



little sisters said they are very proud of these two Longhorns.



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It's a new school year

What parents should know about immunizations

By Teresa Bigham
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY – Immunizations help protect children from diseases caused by bacteria or viruses, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

Immunizations also protect others, and without immunizations the only way to become immune is to get the disease. The vaccines cause a child's body to produce antibodies, according to the CDC.

Antibodies are part of a child's immune system, and the immune system will recognize the virus or bacteria if the child is exposed again, officials said.

According to John Hopkins University, some vaccines will protect children when they get older. For example, hepatitis A is not usually a risk for children, but immunizations will help protect children when they get older.

Kidshealth.com reports that the risks of vaccinating a child rarely causes sickness from the disease. The area where the shot was given may be red, swollen or even sore. These effects are usually mild and go away in a few hours, the CDC said.

The CDC has a recom-

mended immunization schedule:

Hepatitis B is given at birth and a booster between one and two months old and again between six months and 18 months.

DTaP or diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis is given at two months, four months, six months and a booster is given at 15 months to 18 months and again between the ages four and six.

RV or rotavirus is given at two months, four months and six months.

Hib or Hemophilus influenzae type b is given at two months, four months, six months and between 12 months and 15 months.

PCV or pneumococcal conjugate is given at two months, four months, six months and between 12 months and 15 months.

IPV or inactivated poliovirus is given at two months, four months, between six months and 18 months and again between four years old and six years old.

Influenza can be given starting at six months and then yearly.

MMR or measles, mumps and rubella should be given between the 12 and 15 months. Boosters are given through your

child's school age years.

VAR or varicella should be given between 12 months and 15 months, Boosters will be given as your child grows.

MMRV or measles, mumps, rubella and varicella is given between the age of 12 months and 15 months. A booster will be given as the child gets older.

Hepatitis A is given between 12 months and 18 months

Meningococcal is given at between the ages of 11 and 12 years old and again between the ages of 16 and 18.

HPV or human papilloma virus for males and females start a series at the age of four to six years old.

The CDC recommends parents always consult their healthcare provider to ensure the information displayed above applies to each parent's personal circumstance.

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU

Aug. 19 – Aug. 21

Wednesday

- Breakfast** - Scrambled eggs, biscuits, gravy, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk
- Lunch** - Chicken sandwich, fries, or veggie cup
- Fruity gelatin, milk

Thursday

- Breakfast** - Pancake wrap, yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk
- Lunch** - Hamburger steak, gravy, biscuit, roasted potatoes, broccoli salad, mandarin oranges, milk

Friday

- Breakfast** - Cinnamon roll, sausage or cereal, toast, juice, fruit, milk
- Lunch** - Pizza or Fiesta bowl, carrots, garden salad, apples & oranges, cookie, milk

Practice begins for Longhorn football, band



The Lockney Longhorns Varsity and JV footballs teams did not let the heat and humidity stop them during the first week of two-a-days. The players worked hard from 7:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. each day doing drills, fundamentals and conditioning. "This first week was a really good one," Coach Ward said. "Each player got out there and gave it their all. This is going to be a great year." (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)



The Lockney Longhorn Band camp wrapped up its three-day program Wednesday. The Drill Crew started with basics and fine turned marching skills while the Color Guard and the Twirlers learned the fundamentals. "Camp was a great success, and I am very proud of how everyone performed," LHS Band Director James McInroe said. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

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