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## Being a Good Neighbor

### Payne Family Pharmacy earns No. 1 ranking

By Jackie Zimmerman  
 Publisher

FLOYDADA— For 26 years, Denice Payne has lived by serving her friends and neighbors with honesty, integrity and accuracy.

And it's those attributes that helped earn Payne Family Pharmacy & Gifts, and hundreds of other small, independent pharmacists like her that belong to The Good Neighbor Pharmacy Program, the "Highest in Customer Satisfaction with Chain Drug Store Pharmacies" award by J.D. Power.

This is the second consecutive year J.D. Power awarded The Good Neighbor Pharmacy program the #1 ranking. In its study, the pharmacies earned a score of 915 out of 1,000. The 2020 study is based on responses from 13,378 pharmacy customers who filled a prescription during three months prior to the survey period of September 2019 to May 2020.

Payne, who has participated in the Good Neighbor Pharmacy program for three years, said she chooses to be part of the program because it helps her contract with insurances and other programs that otherwise would not work with her small, independent pharmacy.

She said the program helps her compete on a more level playing field by assisting with contracts, marketing and other services to ensure she can compete with the very large pharmacies that have stores across the country.

"We work hard as a small independent store to be honest and straightforward. Just because we live in a small town in West Texas does not mean we don't deserve the same type of ser-

vices people in large cities receive," Payne said.

"This program helps me continue to provide A+ service to customers," she said. "The program does not usurp any of our independence. We can do what we want to do, set our own hours and be involved in our community."

Payne, a graduate of Floydada High School and Southwestern Oklahoma State University, moved back to West Texas to raise her family. She bought the store in Floydada on Jan. 1, 1994.

Proud to be a family pharmacy, Payne's son Justin is a pharmacy tech and provides technology services, and the five employees are all Floydada graduates.

"Plus, we have had about 10 students intern with us and then go to pharmacy school," Payne said.

Payne also has been involved in women in pharmacy groups over the years and helped establish Women in Pharmacy Day in 2018. This year, Women in Pharmacy Day is Oct. 12, and National Pharmacy Week will be Oct. 18-24.

Along with offering complete pharmacy services, which includes the full line of vitamins that are produced in the United States, and thousands of over the counter medicinal products including Band Aids, first aid items and health and wellness products. "We provide clinical and pharmaceutical services to our community," Payne said.

The shop also offers unique gifts, a bridal registry, and more.

"We focus on wellness, health, immunizations and other services," she said. "Our motto is accuracy, honesty and integrity. We See PHARMACY, Page 10



The team at Payne Family Pharmacy & Gifts, from left, Michael Sikes, Ma'Kayla Garcia, Denice Payne, Adriana De Los Santos, Justin Payne. Not pictured, Susie Flores-Champion. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Barbara Anderson)



Payne Family Pharmacy & Gifts is part of the Good Neighbor Pharmacy program that has been awarded the J.D. Powers #1 ranking for "Highest in Customer Satisfaction with Chain Drug Store Pharmacies." (Courtesy photo)

## Congrats Floydada CISD



The Floydada Chamber has chosen Floydada CISD as the "August Business of the Month." "While this does not seem like a 'conventional' business in the sense that we know the word, the work Superintendent Dr. Trevino and the rest of the staff do to put Floydada as a top tier district is unmatched," Chamber Manager Kortney DeBock said. "They have made great strides this year with their new collegiate status and we could not be prouder." Shown is FCISD Superintendent Dr. Gilbert Trevino. (Courtesy Photo)

## A boy's dream

### Grandfather gives Bigham special gift

By Teresa Bigham  
 The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA- Every little boy dreams of owning a muscle car one day and what grandson does not want to hang out with his Papa?

One young man had a dream come true when his grandfather turned the keys to his dream car over to him.

Bill Lamb, long time resident of Floydada, gave his youngest grandson, Wyatt Bigham of Lockney, the keys to his very own 1973 Plymouth

Satellite. Okay, the car isn't going home with Bigham just yet, but the car is officially his, a gift from his grandfather.

Lamb plans to leave the car in his shop, which is in Floydada, until Bigham is just a little bit older and has more than just a learner's permit.

What makes this story even more special is the fact that this car, this very same car, was in the bull pen at Oden Chevrolet for years when Bigham, then eight years old,

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Bill Lamb shows his grandson, Wyatt Bigham, how to hook up headlights on a car the two are restoring. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

## 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 banderson@lknewsgroup.com or fchb.editor@yahoo.com

### FLOYDADA COOP GIN 48th ANNUAL MEETING

The Floydada Cooperative Gins, Inc., will hold their 48th Annual Stockholders and Producers Meeting on Thursday, Sept. 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Unity Center in Muncy. Catered by Danny's Fins and Hens. Serving begins @ 6 p.m.

### PHYTOGEN FIELD TOUR

The PhytoGen Field Tour will be held at 9 a.m., Sept. 22. Field location 33.9308 - 101.2620. Breakfast will be served. Please contact the Floyd County Extension Office for more info. 806-983-4912. A chance to see new varieties in action.

### THE LOCKNEY HOMECOMING

LHS Homecoming will be held Friday, Sept. 25. The Longhorns will be playing Midland Compass Academy at 7 p.m. The pep rally will be held at 3 p.m. in the Longhorn Gym. Alumni activities associated with homecoming have been cancelled.

### PUNKIN' DAYS

Punkin' Days will be held Saturday, Oct. 10, in downtown Floydada. All activities are still being planned. Watch for more info in The Hesperian-Beacon.

### PUMPKIN DAY OPEN CAR SHOW

The Pumpkin Day Open Car Show will be held Saturday, Oct. 10. Sign-in time is 9 a.m. with registration fee of \$20. Registration will be held on Corner of Wall and California on southeast side of Courthouse. Cash prizes will be given at 3 p.m. at the Pavilion.

### PUMPKIN DAY TEAM ROPING

The Pumpkin Day Team Roping will be held Saturday, Oct. 10 at the arena located on the east side of Floydada. Books open at

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# Girl Scout Troop honors 9/11 by displaying flags



Girl Scout Troop 6210 members stand with the flags they placed at the "Y." Back row, from left, Addison Hinson, Emily Williams and Taniah Hawthorne; Front row, from left: Zaybree Back, Ta'Kiyra Briley and Ella Snowden. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

**By Teresa Bigham**  
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA — On Monday evening Girl Scout Troop 6210 gathered and placed 40 flags around the intersection at the "Y" in honor of the fallen from Sept. 11, 2001.

A few years ago, the troop

would place 100 flags around the "Y" but over time many of the flags had to be retired due to them being in poor shape.

Troop 6210 is asking for donations from the public to add to the flags that are placed in honor of 9-11 every year. The new troop leader, Janaphar Williams, said, "The girls in our troop are

excited at the possibility of being able to add to the flag collection."

Troop 6210 will gather the flags up on Monday after school and store them away.

If you would like to donate for the flag fund you contact Janaphar Williams at 325-236-0651. All donations are greatly appreciated.

# Enrollment Open for Texas Tuition Promise Fund®

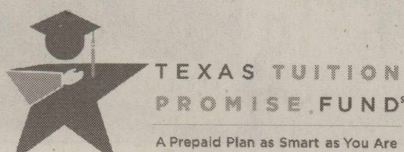
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

AUSTIN — Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar reminds families that open enrollment in the Texas Tuition Promise Fund®, the state's prepaid college tuition program, began Sept. 1 and runs through Feb. 28, 2021. The Texas Tuition Promise Fund offers parents and loved ones the chance to prepay a child's future higher education at Texas public colleges and universities at today's prices, excluding medical and dental institutions.

"With everything that's going on right now, thinking about how to pay for college may not be at the top of many parents' minds," Hegar said. "Yet one day it will be time to enroll your loved one in a college or university, and a Texas Tuition Promise Fund account is an additional tool to help save for your children's future education."

Participants in the plan purchase prepaid "tuition units" that can be used later toward undergraduate resi-

dent tuition and schoolwide required fees at most Texas public colleges and universities, excluding medi-



cal and dental institutions. Prices are based on 2020-21 academic year costs for the state's public colleges and universities.

- Type I units, priced for undergraduate resident tuition and schoolwide required fees at the most expensive eligible Texas public four-year university or college, cost \$151.64 per unit.

- Type II units, based on the weighted average cost of undergraduate resident tuition and schoolwide required fees across eligible Texas public four-year universities and colleges, cost \$108.35 per unit.

- Type III units, based on the weighted average cost of in-district tuition and schoolwide required fees across eligible Texas public two-year community colleges, cost \$28.81 per unit.

Under the plan, 100 units equal roughly one academic year consisting of 30 semester hours of undergraduate resident tuition and schoolwide required fees at the eligible Texas public school that most closely matches the unit's pricing base. Participants can purchase up to 600 Type I units — approximately six academic years — or the dollar equivalent of Type II or III units.

The plan's flexible payment options include lump-sum payments, installment payments that include 6 percent interest or a pay-as-you-go option that allows participants to gradually add more units as the family budget allows. Enrollment requires payment of a one-time application fee of \$25 and the purchase of at least one tuition unit of any type. Texas residency requirements apply. Future payments can be as low as \$15 if a pay-as-you-go account is established. An online calculator provides pricing estimates on the type and number of units currently

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# The 501: Possessions: Jesus was right.

It's been 50 years since my college graduation. Surprise. Homecoming has been cancelled, meaning the usual on-campus activities. No surprise.

The school sent questionnaires to the Class of 1970. Once we return the forms, they'll compile a memory book for us. We're supposed to get the books by mail in October. It'll be like getting to visit with classmates. Covid-19 Homecoming. Oh well.

I completed the questionnaire, choosing the online option and summing up my life within the character limits for each response. Nothing beats enforced succinctness.

One of the questions was "What do you consider to be the greatest challenge of your life?"

How would you answer that one?

PAUSE TO REFLECT.

I decided I could name some great challenge met and overcome by me during the past five decades -- probably what they expected -- or I could identify my greatest present challenge. I took the latter option.

I need to stop acquiring stuff when I need to get rid of a lifetime's accumulation of stuff.

Maybe that's a shallow answer. But I'm guessing some other alumni are answering the same way. The honest ones.

I called my honest schoolmate Beverly (who didn't get a questionnaire because she graduated a couple of years after me). I asked her the question. With no prompting, she echoed my response.

Almost all us baby boomers are in the same boat. We need to toss cargo.

Even if we'd been right there at the Sermon on the Mount, would we have taken the advice?

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal." (Matthew 6:19-20, King James Version)

So we pay for mothproofing at the cleaners. And we polish our silver. And we don't let our tools get rusty. And we install alarm systems and pay for security.

If thieves really do manage to break in, they don't go for the silver. They get the television instead -- and maybe some tools. You replace the television and the tools. You're still stuck with your best wool coat (which the pesky moths have managed to chew on a little despite your precautions) and your china (which nobody wants) and your silver (which nobody wants either). Ah possessions. Jesus was right. All of us keepers of stuff are in dire straits.

Furniture can be especially problematic. Thieves rarely take it off your hands. And if you're stuck with a vintage baby bed, you're in real trouble. They're illegal.

A little good news:

Just cut off the tops of the headboard and footboard. If there's decoration there already, you've got instant wall hangings. If not, decorate the blank spaces yourself, maybe with grandchildren's names. Instant Christmas gifts. Discard the rest of the bed.

Hmmm. It's hard to toss those perfectly intact jail-bar sideboards. Seems like they could be used for something.

## Opinion

# Examining today and yesterday



Walter E. Williams

In matters of race and other social phenomena, there is a tendency to believe that what is seen today has always been. For black people, the socioeconomic progress achieved during my lifetime, which started in 1936, exceeded anyone's wildest dreams. In 1936, most black people lived in gross material poverty and racial discrimination. Such poverty and discrimination is all but nonexistent today. Government data, assembled by Robert Rector of the Heritage Foundation, shows that the average American family ... identified as poor by the Census Bureau, lives in an air-conditioned, centrally heated house or apartment ... They have a car or truck. Indeed, 43% of poor families own two or more cars. The household "has at least one widescreen TV connected to cable, satellite, or a streaming service, a computer or tablet

with internet connection, and a smartphone. (Some 82% of poor families have one or more smartphones.) On top of this, blacks today have the same constitutional guarantees as everyone else, which is not to say that every vestige of racial discrimination has been eliminated.

The poverty we have today is spiritual poverty. Spiritual poverty is an absence of what traditionally has been known as various human virtues. Much of that spiritual poverty is a result of public and private policy that rewards inferiority and irresponsibility. Chief among the policies that reward inferiority and irresponsibility is the welfare state. When some people know they can have children out of wedlock, drop out of school and refuse employment and suffer little consequence and social sanction, one should not be surprised to see the growth of such behavior. Today's out-of-wedlock births among blacks is over 70%, but in the 1930s, it was 11%. During the same period, out-of-wedlock births among whites was 3%; today, it is over 30%. It is fashionable and politically correct to blame today's 21% black poverty on racial discrimination.

That is nonsense. Why? The poverty rate among black husband-and-wife families has been in the single digits for more than two decades. Can anyone produce evidence that racists discriminate against black female-headed families but not black husband-and-wife families?

For most people, education is one of the steppingstones out of poverty, and it has been a steppingstone for many black people. Today, decent

education is just about impossible at many big-city public schools where violence, disorder, disrespect and assaults on teachers are routine. The kind of disrespectful and violent behavior observed in many predominantly black schools is entirely new. Some have suggested that such disorder is part of black culture, but that is an insulting lie. Black people can be thankful that double standards, and public and private policies rewarding inferiority and irresponsibility, were not broadly accepted during the 1920s, '30s, '40s and '50s. There would not have been the kind of intellectual excellence and spiritual courage that created the world's most successful civil rights movement.

Many whites are ashamed, saddened and guilt-ridden by our history of slavery, Jim Crow and gross racial discrimination. They see that justice and compensation for that ugly history is to hold their fellow black Americans accountable to the kind of standards and conduct they would never accept from whites. That behavior and conduct is relatively new. Meet with black people in their 70s or older, even liberal politicians such as Charles Rangel (age 90), and Reps. Eddie Bernice Johnson (85), Alcee Hastings (83) and Maxine Waters (82). Ask them whether their parents would have tolerated their assaulting and cursing of teachers or any other adult. I bet you the rent money their parents and other parents of that era would not have accepted the grossly disrespectful behavior seen today among many black youngsters who use foul language and racial epithets at one another. These older blacks will tell you that, had they behaved that way, they would have felt serious pain in their hind parts. If blacks of yesteryear would not accept such self-destructive behavior, why should today's blacks accept it?

Black people have made tremendous gains over the years that came as a result of hard work, sacrifice and a no-nonsense approach to life. Recovering those virtues can provide solutions to many of today's problems.

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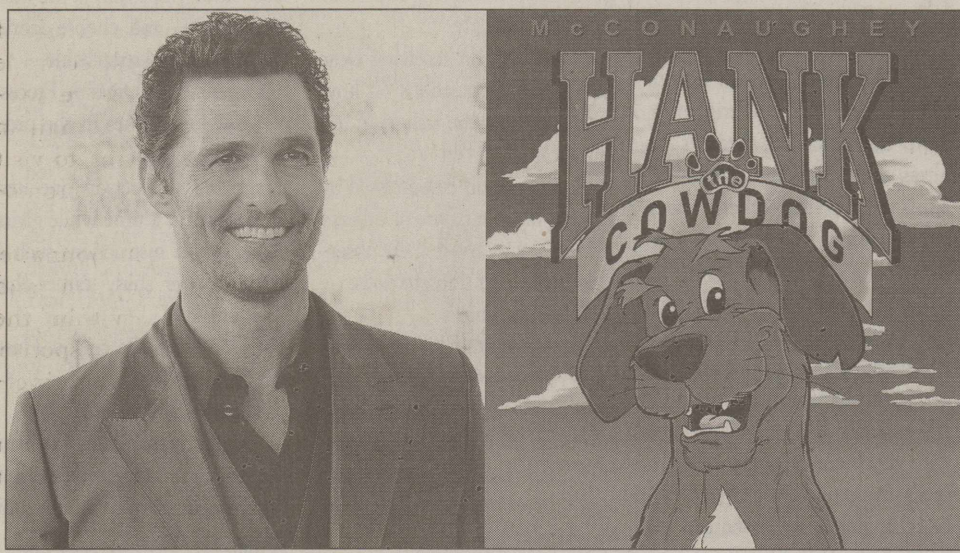
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# SOCIETY

## Hank the Cowdog Podcast Series has launched



Academy Award winner Matthew McConaughey will be the voice of Hank the Cowdog. The five-episode podcast series started on Monday, September 14. (Courtesy Photo)

By Sue H. Jones

Communications Coordinator  
National Ranching Heritage Center

"It's me again, Hank the Cowdog!" This opening statement has appeared in more than 74 children's books written by John R. Erickson in an ongoing series that has sold more than 10 million copies worldwide. That same opening line introduced a new podcast series that launched September 14 and starred Matthew McConaughey as "Hank the Cowdog."

Successive episodes will be released each Monday through October 12 with Hank entangled in mysteries and amusing capers on the Texas Panhandle ranch he calls home.

Jeff Nichols, an award-winning film director and screenwriter, is the writer, director and executive producer of the five-episode podcast series. Nichols and McConaughey collaborated on the 2012 film "Mud" and have reunited for the Hank the Cowdog series. Supporting cast members are Jesse Plemons, Cynthia Erivo, Kirsten Dunst, Leslie Jordan, Joel Edgerton, Scoot McNairy, Michael Shannon and John R. Erickson.

Other executive producers joining Nichols and McConaughey are Sarah Green and Brian Kavanaugh-Jones of Tri-State Pictures, Mark Erickson of HTC Productions and Rob Herting of QCODE. QCODE is a new podcast and media studio focusing on working with

creators to originate and innovate stories in the audio format with potential for later adaption in mediums such as television and feature films.

Podcasts are essentially radio shows that can be accessed on the internet or downloaded and saved on a phone, tablet or computer. The first of the five Hank the Cowdog episodes will debut on Monday, September 14 with successive episodes released every Monday through October 12. The free podcasts can be accessed through Apple Podcasts or other podcast hosting services. More information about the series can be found at [www.hankthecowdogpodcast.com](http://www.hankthecowdogpodcast.com); <https://apple.co/hankthecowdogpod>; and sites on Instagram, Twitter and Facebook.

"The best way a family podcast could happen is the way it did happen," explained Erickson, whose

9-square-mile ranch is 40 miles south of Perryton, Texas. "Missy Nichols, the wife of an experienced movie director, bought a Hank book for her son. Her husband read it to his son and said, 'I love this.'" After the two laughed together and finished the book, Nichols told his assistant to contact the author.

In Erickson's book series, Hank the Cowdog is the laughable self-declared "Head of Ranch Security" on a Texas Panhandle ranch. In the upcoming podcasts, Hank will find himself in the middle of a host of tangled mysteries and capers that

span the cattle ranch he calls home. A motley assembly of characters will join Hank in his adventures, not the least of which is his less-than trusty sidekick, Drover, a small un-courageous mutt voiced by Jesse Plemons.

"There is a lesson in every story," Erickson said. "Kids know the lesson by instinct. Just like cattle will go to a piece of ground and lick it where salt has been, kids find something that nourishes their spirit and go to it. It's not there by accident."

Each of the five podcast episodes will have an educational activity prepared by the National Ranching Heritage Center at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. These activities will be aligned with national curriculum standards and will focus on literacy, science, STEM and social and emotional well-being. Learning with podcast activities is a hands-on way to engage listeners and can be easily accessed for free at [www.ranchlifelearning.com](http://www.ranchlifelearning.com).

The National Ranching Heritage Center began partnering with Erickson in 2015 to provide a children's Ranch Life Learning book series narrated by Hank the Cowdog. In a teaching style that is unique to the scruffy Head of Ranch Security, the books humorously teach readers about ranch life and include ranching as a business, livestock basics, ranch wildlife, ranch hands, horses and weather.

## Recipe of the Week

By Teresa Bigham

The Hesperian-Beacon

Chocolate pound cake is the recipe that Kalissia Hinson is sharing this week. Hinson was born and raised in Dimmitt and went to school in Nazareth.

Hinson is the mother of two daughters, Alyssa, is a junior at FHS, and 5th grader Addison.

"My daughters keep me busy. When I'm not working, I am usually busy attending one of my daughters activities, which I love," Hinson said. "Every day I look at my daughters and I thank the Lord for his many blessing. My daughters are my biggest blessing."

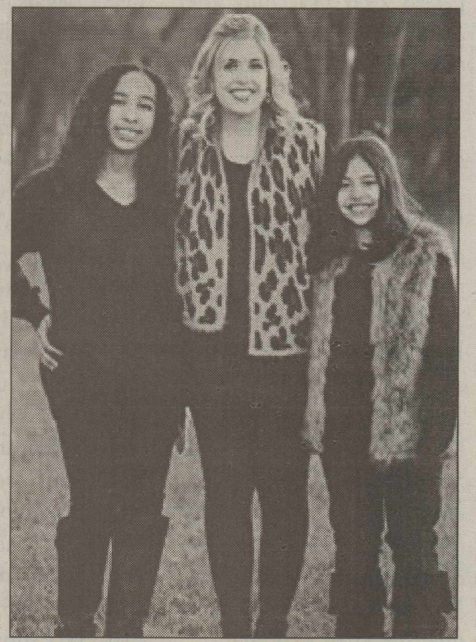
Hinson, who moved to Floydada in 2016, is employed by Floydada ISD and currently teaches at the new school. She teaches both junior high and high school English.

"I love everything about this community. My job is wonderful. The people I work with are just an extension of my family, as for the community itself, well it's a great place to raise a family. When we first moved here, everyone was so welcoming. Floydada is definitely home for us,"

### Chocolate Pound Cake

#### Ingredients:

- ½ C. shortening
- 1 cup margarine
- 3 C. sugar
- 5 eggs
- 3 C. flour
- ½ tsp. baking powder
- ½ tsp. salt
- ½ C. cocoa
- 1 tsp vanilla extract



The Hinsons: Alyssa, left, Kalissia, center, and Addison

said Hinson.

"I'm going to share a recipe that my grandmother used to make for me when I was younger. It's chocolate pound cake we all loved as kids."

Cream shortening and margarine together in a bowl. Gradually add sugar. Beat until light and fluffy. Add the eggs, one at a time and beat well after each egg. Combine flour, baking powder, salt and coco. Mix well and add to the mixture, alternate with milk, beginning and ending with the flour. Stir in vanilla. Pour into a greased and floured 10" tube pan. Cook 350 degrees for one hour and 15 minutes. Cool in pan 10 to 15 minutes.

## Floydada Senior Citizens news

By LuAnn Collins

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA – The center will be closed on Friday, Sept. 25. Our dining room is now open for dine-in or carry-out.

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 am. 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

Sept. 21 – Sept. 25

Monday – Spaghetti  
Tuesday – Tacos - \$4

Wednesday – Chicken fried steak  
Thursday – Burrito w/chili & cheese  
Friday – CLOSED

(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

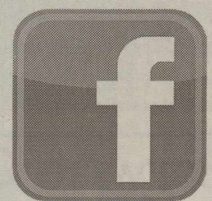
Friday, by curbside pickup, drive through or delivery. Anyone wanting lunch can call the Center by 9:30 a.m. daily. Delivery in Lockney ONLY.

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.



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## THE FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL

### MUSEUM MEMORIES 1979

#### J. A. AND NORMA WELCH

J. A. and I have lived in Floyd county most of our lives. We grew up about 15 miles apart but did not meet until 1944 when we began dating.

Although J. A. was born in Briscoe County, January 12, 1927, he was reared on Roberts Creek, at the foot of the Quitaque Peaks, in Floyd County, near the Motley County line. This was the site of the first Flomot post office, established 1902. It was named Flomot, using the first three letter of Floyd and Motley County.

J. A. attended school at Flomot, and he attended the Fairmont Baptist Church. His first grade teacher was Miss Irene Bourland Brown. He either rode to school on horseback or rode the school bus. He enjoyed playing football, basketball and other sports. He graduated from Flomot High School in 1945. Shortly after graduation, J. A. was drafted into the army during World War II. He spent most of the next two years in Italy, returning in 1947. His favorite pastimes are reading, fishing and collecting antiques.

I, Norma Deen, was born in the Cedar Hill Community, May 10, 1928, the only surviving child of Peet and John Kelly.

The early 1930's were the dust bowl days. One Sunday afternoon was so darkened by dust the chickens went to roost in the day time. Due to the drought, the government paid people nation-wide to kill part of their cattle to reduce the number because of the feed shortage. I can still visualize that pile of dead cattle, that were killed, about two miles northeast of Cedar Hill.

I started to school at Cedar Hill in 1934 and my first grade teacher was Miss Mattie Taylor. I rode my Shetland pony, "Puddin" to school or my parents took me. I attended school there through the eighth grade and then rode the school bus to Floydada High School graduating in 1944. I attended church at both the Baptist and Assembly of God at Cedar Hill. I especially enjoyed the Christmas tree programs, and pie or box suppers while attending school at Cedar. Our bus route included chil-

dren in the Liberty, Cedar Hill, Fairview, Center and Campbell Communities, which were all dirt roads. Our bus ran rain or shine, thanks to our faithful bus driver, J. C. (Fat) Baxter.

J. A. and I were married April 25, 1953 in Clovis, New Mexico. Our first home was the George and Sophia Tibbitts place about four and one-half miles southwest of Flomot, Texas. In January 1954 we moved northwest of Cedar Hill, where we began irrigation farming and ranching. In 1958, we moved south of Cedar Hill and lived there while our new house was being built. Our daughter Connie Elaine was born April 20, 1958 in Plainview, Texas. We moved into our new house January 20, 1959, three-fourths mile north of Cedar Hill.

Connie started to Floydada School in 1964 under Mrs. Hilda McDonald the first year. She attended Andrews Ward, Duncan Elementary, junior high and high school there. One cold, icy, foggy morning in January 2970, her school bus slipped on an icy highway, two and one-half miles west of Cedar and turned over.

None were seriously hurt, but all were frightened and bruised.

Connie joined the Girl Scouts in the fourth grade and remained active through the 12th grade. I also became interested in Scouts in 1968 and have been working with them since that time in different capacities. Connie's achievements made her eligible for many awards and honors. Most rewarding was achieving the rank of First Class Scout. She was in band beginning the 7th grade through 12th, receiving the John Philip Sousa award her senior year. During her junior and senior years in high school she worked with the school newspaper, "The Whirl." (Her senior year she was editor). She made National Honor Society, was selected the most individualistic girl, a member of the International Club and graduated in 1976, the Bicentennial Year. She is now a sophomore at WTSU at Canyon, Texas.

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY CLARA BEEDY!!!

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# OBITUARIES/CHURCH

## Gary Len Matsler

Gary Len Matsler, age 78, passed away peacefully after a short battle with leukemia on Wednesday, September 9, 2020 in Floydada, Texas.

A Memorial Service was held at 2 p.m., Saturday, September 12, 2020 at the First United Methodist Church in Floydada.

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

Gary was born on February 6, 1942 in Plainview, Texas to Leonard and Lahoma Matsler.

Gary married Linda Lutrick on October 16, 1962. Her father, Charles Lutrick, officiated their wedding.

They lived in Lubbock for 5 years, moving to Amarillo in 1967. They have a son, Jeff, and a daughter, Mindy, who were adopted in due course.

Gary bought his father's cafe in 1977. His father had retired after 36 years of serving Floydada residents out of Leonard's Cafe.

Gary graduated from Floydada High School in 1960.

He had many wonderful memories of his school days, and later in life, connecting daily with the FHS Class of 1960 by phone. Gary was outgoing, generous and fun to be with. He spent many mornings at Gary Pate's "Coffee Shop", catching up on the town gossip.

Shortly after moving to Floydada, his hobby was beekeeping. Gary and Linda spent hours building a backyard pond, which they loved sitting by nearly daily. They rode Harleys several years ago and enjoyed driving a 1952 Chevy antique car. He especially enjoyed "camping" with the FHS Class of 1960 men every spring for 26 years. He was a member of the Nifty Fifty Car Club. He was a great squirrel catcher and loved his pecan trees.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Leonard and Lahoma Matsler; his in-laws, Charles and Ruth Lutrick; and his brother-in-law, Larry Golden.

Gary is survived by his wife, Linda; his children, son,



GARY LEN MATSLER

Jeff Matsler and his wife, Michelle, and daughter Mindy Vaughan; his grandchildren, Mary Elizabeth Matsler, Taylor Matsler and Alex Vaughan; his brother, Mike Matsler and wife, Lou of Seal Beach, California; and his sister, Jill Golden of Aiken.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church, 203 West Kentucky, Floydada, Texas 79235; the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, PO Box 12268, Newport News, VA 23612; or a charity of your choice.

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

## Alzheimer's Assoc. Dressing and Dementia

By Scott Finley  
Media Relations Mgr.  
Alzheimer's Association® in Texas

Believe it or not, despite COVID-19, there is every reason to hope that we'll be entering into more traditional fall weather in Texas soon. Tuesday, September 22, is actually the "official" date, but of course, it's Texas, so who knows?

Cooler weather also brings about a change of wardrobe. As we all know, your physical appearance contributes to your sense of self-esteem. But - for a person with moderate or severe Alzheimer's disease or another dementia, changing a wardrobe can be frustrating. They may be overwhelmed with choices or the task itself, or even not remember how to dress.

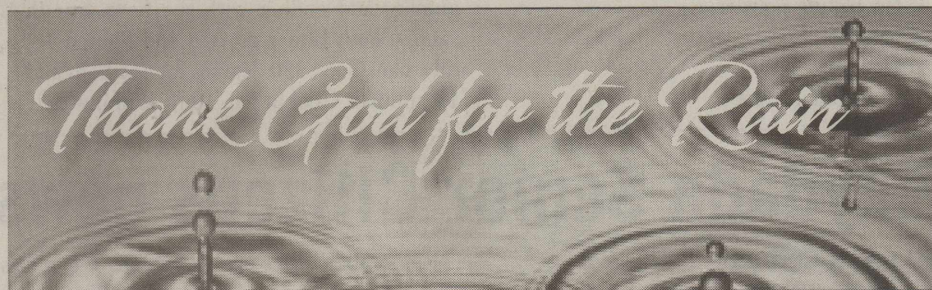
Fortunately, there are things you can do to help, but first you need to step back and pay attention to what's happening.

### Physical Problems

- Does the person have problems with motor skills needed to fasten buttons or close zippers?
- Does the person remember how to dress - how to put clothes on and in what sequence?
- Does he or she recognize their clothes?
- Is he or she aware of the time of day or season of the year?
- Environment Issues
- Is the person troubled by lack of privacy, a cold room, poor light-

- ing or loud noises?
- Other Concerns
- Is the person being rushed to get dressed quickly?
- Is the person receiving clear step-by-step instructions on how to dress or does the task seem too complicated?
- Is the person embarrassed by dressing in front of you or others?
- Once you've made these observations, the next thing to do is: Simplify Choices
- Lay out clothes for the person.
- When possible, give the person an opportunity to select favorite outfits or colors. Try offering only two choices of a clothing item (for example, two pants or two skirts).
- Keep the closets free of excess clothing. A person may find many clothing choices overwhelming.
- Choose Comfortable and Simple Clothing
- Select comfortable and loose-fitting clothing that's easy to put on and remove.
- Cardigans, shirts and blouses that button in front are sometimes easier to work than pullover tops
- Substitute Velcro for buttons, snaps and zippers, which may be too difficult to handle.
- To avoid tripping and falling, make sure that clothing length is appropriate.
- Make sure the person wears comfortable, non-slip shoes.
- If the person is confined to a wheelchair, adapt regular clothes to protect his or her privacy and

- allow for greater comfort.
- Make sure that clothing is loose fitting, especially at the waist and hips - and choose fabrics that are soft and stretchable.
- Organize the Dressing Process
- Lay out clothes in the order each item goes on.
- Hand the person one item of clothing at a time while giving short, simple instructions such as "Put on your shirt," rather than "Get dressed."
- Don't rush the person. Haste can cause anxiety.
- Finally - Be Flexible
- If the person wants to wear the same outfit repeatedly, try getting a duplicate of it or have similar options available.
- It's ok if the person wants to wear several layers of clothing, just make sure he or she doesn't get overheated.
- It's ok if clothing is mismatched.
- If you have questions, call the Alzheimer's Association 24/7 helpline at 800-272-3900 for more information.
- And just a reminder - you can always get the latest information about the Association's COVID-19 emergency preparedness guidelines for Alzheimer's and dementia caregivers in long-term or community-based care settings here: <https://alz.org/professionals/professional-providers/coronavirus-covid-19-tips-for-dementia-caregivers>



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### God's Comfort

*In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. - Psalm 4:8 (NIV)*

One Saturday night as my wife and I were babysitting our grandsons, I learned a valuable lesson from God.

After I had read a few books to them, it was time for the younger one to go to sleep. He lay peacefully in his crib, so I stealthily crept from the room. As we sat downstairs readying the 3-year-old for bed, I heard the little one cry out in distress. As I entered the room, I found him panting and sobbing; but when he saw me, he calmed down. As I sat with him in a rocking chair, attempting to comfort him, I realized how God, through this child, was comforting me.

At times, we may be like my little grandson. When life doesn't go our way,

we can become scared or feel we're at the end of our rope.

Our Father God knows how to give perfect love to comfort us in our hopelessness and fear. When we are at our lowest, God wants to surround us with comfort and peace, and whisper those words of Psalm 46:10: "Be still, and know that I am God!" (NIV). —David Payne (Missouri, USA)

### TODAY'S PRAYER

Creator God, sweep away all anxiety and make us new again. Grant us peace in mind, body, and spirit. We pray as Jesus taught us, "Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth. Give us day by day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil" (Luke 11:2-4, KJV). Amen.

<p><b>Aiken Baptist Church</b> Dennis Butler, Pastor Morning Worship...11 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>Bible Baptist Church</b> 810 S. 3rd, Floydada Darwin Robinson, Pastor 983-2578 Sunday School...10 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>Carr's Chapel</b> Service Every Sunday Morning Worship - 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>Church of Christ</b> West College &amp; Third Lockney Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Afternoon Worship - 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>City Park Church of Christ</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b> Floydada Mark Snowden, Pastor Nathan Adams, Minister of Students and Discipleship Ashley Adams, Minister of Music Ludustia 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.</p>	<p><b>First Baptist Church</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>First United Methodist Church</b> Floydada Gary Boles, Pastor Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:50 a.m. Youth (Sunday) - 6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>First United Methodist Church</b> Lockney Pastor E. C. Ice, III Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>Grant Chapel Church of God In Christ</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>Main Street Church of Christ</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>Mt. Zion Baptist Church</b> Floydada Rev. Timothy Askey 401 N 12th Sty. 983-5805 Sunday School - 10 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wednesday Study - 6 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>New Salem Primitive Baptist Church</b> Floydada Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges (806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing - 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church</b> 310 Mississippi, Floydada</p>	<p>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. *****</p> <p><b>Power of Praise Full Gospel Church</b> Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor 704 B Main, Lockney Sunday Services - 10 a.m. Sunday Evening - 5 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>Primera Iglesia Bautista</b> Lockney Jesus Caballero, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m. Discipleship - 5 p.m. Wed. Service - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>Primera Iglesia Bautista</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>San Jose Catholic Church</b> 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 *****</p> <p><b>South Plains Baptist Church</b> Dan Beaty, Pastor Sunday School - 10 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>Templo Getsemani Assembly of God</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church</b> Floydada</p>	<p>Rev. Renato Cruz Parochial Vicar - Jacob Powell 983-5878 Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m. Mon. &amp; Wed. Mass - 6:30 p.m. Confession Sat - 10-11 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>Templo Bautista Salem</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>Templo Bethel Spanish Assembly of God</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>Templo Nueva Vida</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>Trinity Assembly</b> 500 W. Houston Kari &amp; Justin Brown, Pastors 983-5499 Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening - 6 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>Trinity Lutheran Church</b> Providence Community On Fm 2301 293-3009 Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11 - a.m. *****</p> <p><b>West Side Church of Christ</b> Floydada 983-2672 Or 470-0950 Sunday Worship - 10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.</p>
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# AGRICULTURE

New hunting season

## Texas hunting, fishing licenses on sale

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

AUSTIN – With the start of a new hunting season, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) is reminding hunters and anglers that current year Texas hunting and fishing licenses (except the Year-from-Purchase All-Water Package) expired at the end of August. New licenses for the 2020-21 season went on sale Aug. 15.

Annually, Texans purchase more than 2.4 million hunting and fishing licenses and directly fund a multitude of conservation efforts and recreational opportunities, helping make Texas one of the best places in the country to hunt and fish. Projects funded in part by license sales include fish stocking, wildlife management, habitat restoration, public hunting leases, river fishing access and Texas Game Wardens, just to name a few.

Outdoorsmen and women can purchase a variety of licenses online through the TPWD website, by phone or in person at more than 1,700 retailers across the state.

Anyone wishing to buy a license can use the new expedited checkout process, which speeds up re-purchasing the same license bought in recent years. Customers can also access their licenses in several ways: (1) an electronic photo of one's license, (2) an emailed receipt from the license purchase; (3) one's account in the online license sales system; (4) via License Lookup in the Outdoor Annual app or in the My Texas Hunt Harvest app. Hunters and anglers must still have a physical license for any activities requiring tags and stamps.

In the latest change driven by the current public health situation, the Outdoor Annual is all-digital for the upcoming season. Hunting and fishing regulations for the 2020-21 season can be found on the Outdoor Annual mobile app or through the online version of the Outdoor Annual. Once downloaded, the app works without internet connectivity allowing hunters and anglers to view regulations in even the most remote locations. Other features include license lookup, location-based functionality such as "Hunting Seasons and Regulations by Location," "Where to Fish," and more. The Outdoor Annual website offers the option to download and print all or select pages of the Outdoor Annual.

The My Texas Hunt Harvest app, which can be accessed through the Outdoor Annual app, enables electronic submission of mandatory harvest reports, including alligator gar harvest reporting. The app also allows hunters to complete their on-site registration for many TPWD public hunting lands. Hunters can hunt on more than one million acres of public land with the purchase of an Annual Public Hunting Permit.

While buying a license, anyone can also choose to enter a number of exciting drawings. Big Time Texas Hunts offers premium packages to hunt bighorn sheep, mule and white-tailed deer, pronghorn, waterfowl, upland game birds, exotics and more.

New this year is a chance to win a hunting and fishing trip on one of Texas' newest Wildlife Management Areas (WMA). The Powderhorn Cast and Blast offers one win-

ner and a guest the opportunity to hunt for white-tailed deer, exotics and waterfowl on the 17,000+ acre Powderhorn WMA along with a guided fishing trip on Matagorda Bay.

Resident hunters and anglers can purchase an entry in the Lifetime License Drawing. Three lucky winners will each win a Lifetime Super Combo License and never need to buy another Texas hunting or fishing license again. Entries are \$5 each and can be purchased online, by phone or at any license retailer. The first entry deadline is Sept. 30.

When making their purchase, license buyers can add a donation of \$1, \$5, \$10 or \$20 to help support the Hunters for the Hungry program or the Fund for Veterans Assistance. Donations to the Hunters for the Hungry program provide hunters with a way to donate legally harvested deer to participating processors. The processed meat goes to local food banks to feed Texas families in need. Donations to the Fund for Veterans Assistance program provide grants to veteran service organizations and non-profit charitable institutions, assisting veterans and their families at the community level throughout Texas.

To get more information on Texas hunting and fishing throughout the year, sign up for free email updates at [www.tpwd.texas.gov/email](http://www.tpwd.texas.gov/email) or by texting TPWD HUNT or TPWD FISH and your email address to 468-311 (ex. TPWD HUNT myemail@emailaddress.com).

For frequently asked questions about Texas hunting and fishing licenses, visit the TPWD website.

## Floyd County 4-H Spotlight

By Teresa Bigham  
The Hesperian-Beacon

First year Floyd County 4-H'er Noah Gonzales is this week's 4-H spotlight.

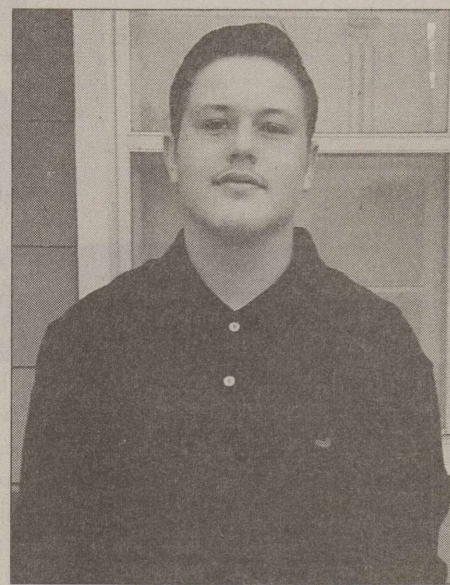
He is the son of Daniel Rendon and Josana Gonzales.

Gonzales and his family are new to Floyd County. They moved here in January from Plainview. He is a freshman at Floydada High School.

He enjoys playing football for the Whirlwinds and is excited to get his first year of 4-H underway.

Gonzales has already met several of his fellow rifle 4-H'ers and is looking forward to getting to know them better. When he isn't helping on the farm he enjoys hanging out with his friends and playing video games.

"I am excited to be part of this community. I love playing football and being able to take part in all the 4-H



Noah Gonzales

projects," Gonzales said. "I'm excited to learn more about the rifle project and can't wait to see how this goes."

## Phytogen Field Tour

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## Floyd County 4-H event calendar

Sept. 2-18 West Texas Fair

Sept. 22 – 4-H Club Quarterly meeting at 6 p.m. at the Unity Center

Sept 25- Oct 3rd – South Plains Fair

Sept. 27 – Senior Rifle 6 p.m. at the Unity Center

Sept 29 – Clothing and textiles meeting 6 p.m. CEO

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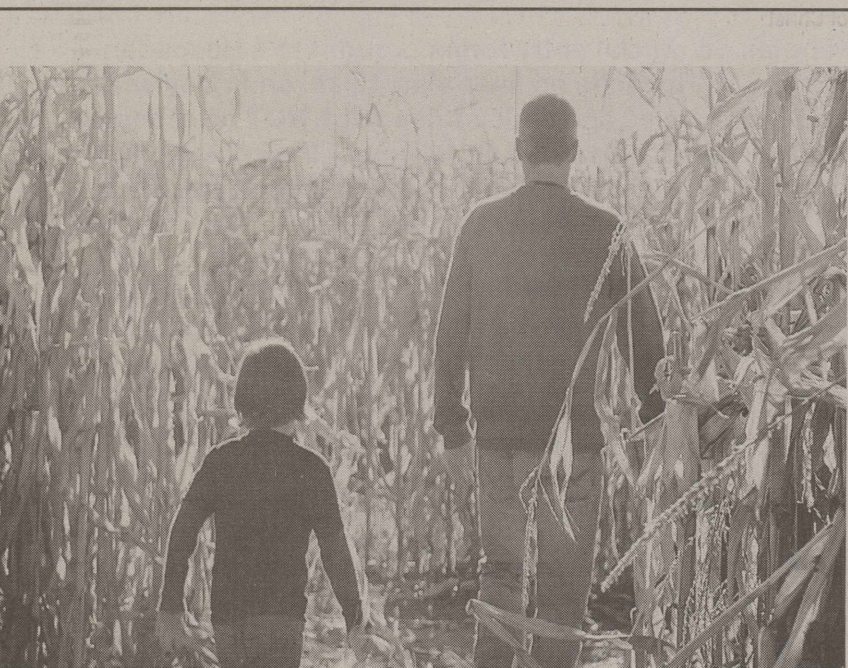
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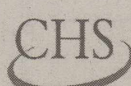
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## Contest Rules

Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest

Any subscriber or purchaser, age 7 or older, is eligible to enter this contest. Only one entry per week, per person. Entrants **MUST** play every week to be eligible for overall prize.

**There is NO COST** to play in the contest.

To play, circle the number of the team you believe will win on the official entry form to the left.

Only entries on official entry forms brought to a Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada no later than 4 p.m. on Friday will be accepted. Photocopies and mail entries **WILL NOT** be accepted. Three cash prizes are awarded at the end of the contest. In the event of a tie, prizes will be combined and shared equally by those tied.

Print your name and address plainly on the official entry form and double check your choices before clipping out the entry form and depositing it at the Hesperian-Beacon office before 4 p.m. on Friday. Entries are limited to one entry per person, per week.

At the end of the 10-week contest period, the person with the best overall record will win a first place prize of \$125.

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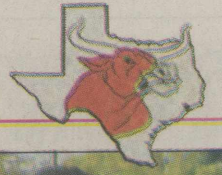
# Lockney Longhorns

## Lockney defeats Boys Ranch, 24-12



Lockney senior Kalebh Cook (70) pushes through the Boys Ranch defensive line. The Longhorns traveled to Boys Ranch to take on the Roughriders Friday, Sept. 11. The Longhorns took the win 24-12. (Courtesy photo by Kaden Thompson)

## Longhorn Pride Spotlight



By Teresa Bigham  
The Hesperian-Beacon

Caleb Pritchard, the son of Chris and Brandi Pritchard, was born in 2003. From the very start, Pritchard was a go getter. When kids his own age were starting to play flag football, Pritchard was just learning to talk. He was born with a hearing loss that affected both ears.

Today Pritchard wears bilateral cochlear implants to aid in his hearing. While the implants help a lot, Pritchard still has hearing loss. That doesn't stop this Longhorn from showing great pride in his team and fellow players. Pritchard has great showmanship and works very hard to achieve his dreams.

Pritchard is active in many other school activities. One of his favorite is student council. In fact, he says, "One of my favorite memories from school would be when the student council collecting clothing items for the Salvation Army."

He also supports the Longhorns by playing basketball, baseball, powerlifting and running track. "Football is by far my favorite," Pritchard says, "It's my passion. I feel so alive



Caleb Pritchard

and excited when I'm out on the field playing for LHS. I play nose guard and defensive tackle. One day I hope I get to play some college football, but if not, I'd love to be a coach one day."

Being part of the Longhorns means a lot to Pritchard and he encourages younger kids to take part in sports as well. "Taking part in athletics is a great way to stay in shape and it also encourages kids to keep their grades up," he said.



Freshman Longhorn Caden Pritchard (55) rushes in to assist sophomore Max Ramirez against Boys Ranch. JV Horns gets their first win of the season out scoring Boys Ranch 12-8. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

### LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU

Sept. 21 – Sept. 25

#### Monday

**Breakfast** – Sausage biscuit, fruit juice, fruit, milk  
**Lunch** – Steak fingers, gravy, roll, fries, tomato cup, strawberries & banana, milk

#### Tuesday

**Breakfast** – Breakfast burrito, hash browns, fruit juice, fruit, milk  
**Lunch** – Spaghetti bowl, breadsticks, salad, steamed Veggies, fruit cup, milk

#### Wednesday

**Breakfast** – Chicken & waffles OR cereal & toast, fruit juice, fruit, milk  
**Lunch** – Chicken wings, celery & carrots, peaches, pudding, milk

#### Thursday

**Breakfast** – Stuffed bagel, sausage OR crackers & cheese, fruit juice, fruit, milk  
**Lunch** – Chicken quesadilla, corn, beans, salsa, fresh fruit, milk

#### Friday

**Breakfast** – French toast, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk  
**Lunch** – Popcorn chicken, roll, mashed potatoes, vegetable medley, pears, cookie, milk

### Football Contest Standings Week 2

	THIS WEEKS	TOTAL
Brent Sanders	12/19	34/44
Domingo Faz	12/19	32/44
Daniel Diaz	14/19	32/44
Ricky Ascencio	12/19	31/44
Renee Armstrong	13/19	31/44
Wyatt Bigham	11/19	30/44
Boyd Lee	12/19	30/44
Franklin Harris	12/19	29/44
Steve Stringer	08/19	24/44

**NOTE:**

Six games were not counted this week due to either being postponed or cancelled. The games not counted were: Plainview/Lubbock High; Idalou/Brownfield; Slaton/New Deal; Baylor/Louisiana Tech; SMU/TCU; Tulsa/Oklahoma State.

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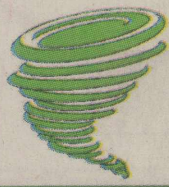
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# Floydada Whirlwinds



## Floydada CISD honors first responders



The Floydada Pep Rally took place at 7:30 a.m., Friday, Sept. 11. Floydada CISD honored all the Floyd County first responders in memory of Sept. 11. The Floydada Police Department, Floydada Ambulance & EMS, Floydada Fire Department, and the Floyd County Sheriff's Department came to the pep rally. Each department set up their vehicles and turned on the lights. The first responders then walked the Whirlwind varsity football team out and stood with them for the show. The FHS cheerleaders took turns reading poems and saying a prayer for each department. The cheerleaders would like to thank the first responders for coming and for everything they do by putting their lives on the line every day for us. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Kalissia Hinson & Sonya Glass)

## Whirlwinds lose hard-fought game to Smyer, 22-14



Photos courtesy of Kalissia Hinson & Sonya Glass

**By Kalissia Hinson**  
The Hesperian-Beacon

The Whirlwinds came up short in a close game falling 22-14 to the Smyer Bobcats in a non-district game Friday, Sept. 11.

Whirlwind running back Matthew Morales had 77

yards on six attempts and a touchdown to lead the Floydada offense. Hermilo Martinez also had a rushing touchdown.

Quarterback Quincy Gonzales completed three passes for 43 yards on five attempts.

Receiver Devin Henderson had 22 yards with one catch in

the game.

Sitting on a 1-2 record for the season, the Whirlwinds travel to New Home on Friday, Sept. 18, for another non-district match.

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Quarterback Quincy Gonzales completed three passes for 43 yards on five attempts.

Receiver Devin Henderson had 22 yards with one catch in the game.

## Whirlwind Pride Spotlight

**By Yelena Serrato**  
The Hesperian-Beacon

Entering her first year in high school as a freshman, Mariah Garcia is excited about many things, one being her cheer season. Garcia will be going on her third year of cheering. Her proud parents are Jimmy Garcia and Kristy Reyes.

When asked what she likes most about cheering at FHS, Garcia answered with, "I like that our cheer squad always knows how to put a smile on your face. I like how us girls always like to try new things and we are all about having fun."

She is most excited about cheering on the Whirlwinds inside Tyer Stadium against the Lockney Longhorns. "The game I'm looking forward to this year is the game against Lockney. It's going to be at our new field this year and I can't wait" she expressed excitedly.



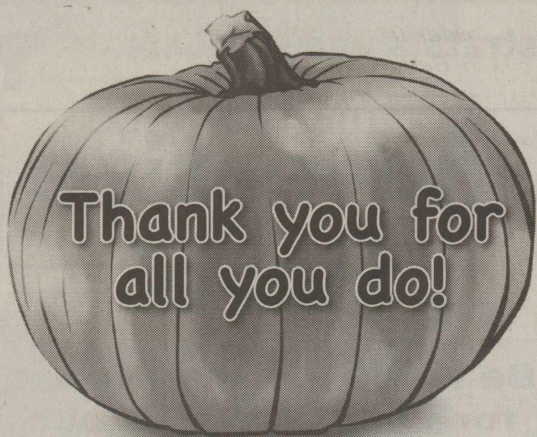
Mariah Garcia

## Floydada 7th & 8th Football



The Floydada Junior High 7th and 8th grades started their football season on Thursday, Sept. 10. Both teams played at Tyer Stadium in Floydada against the Hale Center Owls. They both played well for their first game of the season. (Photos courtesy of Marissa Obregon and Alyssa Hinson)

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### TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Agriculture Code, Chapter 74, Subchapter D, and 4 Tex. Admin. Code, Chapter 3, Subchapter A, the Texas Department of Agriculture (the Department) will conduct a board election in the Northern High Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone, in order to select a representative of the above-referenced zone to serve on the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board of Directors. The board is charged with administering the boll weevil eradication program in Texas.

The Northern High Plains Eradication Zone consists all of Swisher and Hale counties; that part of Randall County that lies south and east of a line running along Highway 60 from the Deaf Smith County line east to Interstate 27, then running north along interstate 27 to the Potter County line; the part of Armstrong County that lies west and south of a line running along FM 294 from the Carson County line to Hwy 287; then running due south to Mulberry Creek; then running east along Mulberry creek to the Donley County line; the part of Briscoe County that lies west of a line running along Hackberry Creek from its intersection with the Armstrong County line to its intersection with the Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River; continuing south along Cherokee Creek from its intersection with the Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River to County Road 27; continuing south along County Road 27 to Hwy 256; continuing west along Hwy 256 to the Caprock escarpment; and continuing south along the Caprock escarpment to the Floyd County line; and the part of Floyd County that lies south and west of a line running along FM 97 beginning at the Motley County line; continuing west to the Caprock escarpment; and continuing north along the Caprock escarpment to the Briscoe County line.

Any cotton grower having planted cotton in the year 2019 within the zone defined above is eligible to vote, and, if he or she resides in the Northern High Plains Zone and has at least seven years experience as a cotton grower, can have his or her name placed on the ballot as a candidate in the board member election. A cotton grower is defined as a person who grows cotton intended to be commercial cotton. The term includes an individual who, as owner, landlord, tenant or sharecropper, is entitled to share in the cotton grown and available for marketing from the farm, or share in the proceeds from the sale of the cotton from the farm or from an indemnity or other payment received from or related to the planting, growing, or failure of the cotton. Any person eligible to vote in the board member election that resides in the Northern High Plains Zone and meets the seven-year experience requirement may place their name in nomination for election to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board by written application to the Department at the address provided below. Nomination forms are provided by the Department and must be signed by the nominee and at least ten other eligible voters. **The nomination form must be received by the Department at its office located in Austin by September 20, 2020 and must include the legal residence of the applicant.** A nomination form may be obtained by contacting the Department office or any county extension agent located in the voting area.

The board election will be held by mail-in-balloting. Ballots will be mailed to cotton growers on September 25, 2020. All ballots cast by mail must be postmarked no later than **October 20, 2020** in order to be valid.

For more information regarding the referendum and election, or if you are a cotton grower in the above-referenced area and do not receive a ballot, please contact Patrick Dudley with the Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas, 78711, call (512) 787-9966 or by e-mail at Patrick.Dudley@TexasAgriculture.gov.

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**GIFT**  
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Wyatt Bigham and his Papa, Bill Lamb, stand in front of the 1973 Plymouth Satellite that the two restored. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

was visiting with his granddad noticed the car in the pen. From that moment, every single time Bigham came to visit his Papa, the two had to drive by the bull pen so that Bigham could admire his dream car from afar.

When Bigham was much younger, he would sit for hours next to his Papa looking through car magazines. "Oh, look Papa... look at this car," Bigham would say over and over. Although Bigham is older now, the two can still sit and talk cars for hours.

Lamb is a self-taught mechanic. That's something that he has always loved doing.

People have told Lamb that his family must have gasoline running through their veins because Bill and every one of his brothers have a love of working, racing and restoring cars.

In late winter of 2016, Bigham was visiting with his Papa, and like hundreds of times before, when the two took a trip to look in the bull pens at the car that the two have bonded over. Absolutely shocked, they made the way back home because the car was gone.

Lamb later found out that a friend of his bought the car from Oden Chevrolet just before they sold out to Reagor Dykes Chevrolet. Even though the car was gone it was never far from their thoughts.

The old saying is, "If you love something set it free, if it comes back to you it was meant to be." Well two years after Oden Chevrolet had sold "the car," Lamb's friend offered to sell it to him. "I knew I had to buy

it," Lamb said. "I wanted to surprise Wyatt with it. Since I had bought and restored a car with my two older grandkids, Christian and Sydney Chapman, I knew this was the car for me and Wyatt."

Later that week, Lamb surprised his grandson by opening the shop doors and there sat the old Plymouth Satellite, faded paint, flat tires and all its glory. This car needed some loving care and that's just what it was about to get.

Lamb did most of the work, but when his grandson had time the two worked many hours together on this car. It was a labor of love, an exciting dream coming true for both a grandfather and his grandson.

During the summer of 2020 Bigham would go over to his Papa's house, the duo would have breakfast and a cup of coffee, gearing up for some back breaking work. The two worked many hours taking chrome off the car, spending hours scraping off years of old window tint with a razor blade, and so much more.

"Being able to teach my grandson something that he is interested in is important to me. Plus, it gives us some great quality time together," Lamb said. "Hopefully I have taught him something that he will always be able to use in years



Bill Lamb gets ready to paint his grandson's 1973 Plymouth Satellite. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

to come."

In July, painting day had finally come. The color was chosen. But really, anyone who knows Bill Lamb or anyone who has even been in his shop knows that the color of that car was never an option. It was going to be red. The only question was what shade of red. Victor red was the shade that was selected. In late August, the top was finally put on and all the final touches were added.

"A summer spent with your Papa, what better way to spend your time. I'll always remember this summer. The summer I learned so many things. Things that are important. Things about my Papa that I will always cherish and look back on. I love my Papa so much and it's because of him, and some very special other people that have contributed to my love of

cars," Bigham said. "Raymond and Mary Poole for sure. Those two will always have a special place in my heart. Mrs. Poole has been like a grandma to me."

"Then there's Gerardo Luna in Lockney who sold me my next project, a 1971 short bed GMC. I am proud to say that I saved up and bought it myself. I could not have done that had Gerardo not taken payments from me. I hope my Papa will help me on that one, but I plan to do most of it myself," Bigham said.

Lamb has restored several cars over the years. His first one was 1973 Corvette, then a 1968 Camaro, followed by a 1984 Chevy short bed pickup, then a 1965 SS El Camino. The last car Lamb has completed was the Satellite, but he doesn't plan on stopping there.

**Floyd County**

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FLOYD COUNTY - Floyd County officials announced two additional recoveries and one active case in Floyd County.

- CASE #115: FLOYDADA** - Female 50-59 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #114: FLOYDADA** - Male 50-59 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #113: LOCKNEY** - Female 30-39 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #112: FLOYDADA** - Female 40-49 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.
- CASE #111: LOCKNEY** - Male 30-39 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized. Recovered.
- CASE #110: UNKNOWN ADDRESS** - Male 40-49 years of age. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.

(Cases #1 thru #109 have been recorded as recovered or deceased.)

**UPCOMING**  
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4 p.m. with roping at 4:30 p.m. For more info contact JP Hrbacek 806-292-8081.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

First Baptist Church of Floydada is planning on being the drop-off location for Operation Christmas Child. Samaritan's Purse is sending training to FBC for touchless collection and PPE (hand sanitizer, gloves and masks) for volunteers. Ludustria Prisk at FBC is accepting donations for shipping, \$9 a box and items for the shoe

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**FBC IMPACT STUDENT MINISTRIES**

The Impact Student Ministries at First Baptist Church of Floydada meets at 6 p.m. on Sunday nights. They will be also be meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays starting Sept. 23. Impact is for youth grades 6 - 12.

**PROMISE**  
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**The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Weather Summary**

**Seven Day Forecast**

Day	Weather	Temp
Wednesday	Mostly Sunny	85 / 58
Thursday	Partly Cloudy	84 / 56
Friday	Partly Cloudy	81 / 55
Saturday	Few Showers	79 / 51
Sunday	Partly Cloudy	77 / 52
Monday	Partly Cloudy	85 / 67
Tuesday	Few Showers	81 / 55

**Local UV Index**

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**Weather Trivia**

A F-1 tornado has wind speeds of? **?**

Answer: 73 to 112 mph.

**Weather History**

**Sept. 16, 1989** - Showers and thunderstorms, representing what remained of Hurricane Octave, brought locally heavy rains to California, impeding the drying process for raisins and other crops. Sacramento, Calif. was soaked with 1.53 inches of rain in six hours.

**Sept. 17, 1965** - A storm produced a band of heavy snow across parts of Wyoming. Totals of 23 inches at Rawlins and 20.7 inches at Lander easily surpassed previous snowfall record totals for so early in the season.

**Detailed Local Forecast**

Today we will see mostly sunny skies, high temperature of 85°, humidity of 34%. South southwest wind 5 to 10 mph. The record high temperature for today is 100° set in 1956. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of 58°. South southeast wind 3 to 10 mph. The record low for tonight is 43° set in 1961. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy, high temperature of 84°, humidity of 38%. South southeast wind 3 to 10 mph. Thursday night, skies will be mostly cloudy, overnight low of 56°.

**Peak Fishing/Hunting Times This Week**

Day	AM	PM	Day	AM	PM
Wed	11:45-1:45	12:12-2:12	Sun	3:19-5:19	3:47-5:47
Thu	12:39-2:39	1:06-3:06	Mon	4:14-6:14	4:42-6:42
Fri	1:33-3:33	1:59-3:59	Tue	5:10-7:10	5:39-7:39
Sat	2:26-4:26	2:52-4:52			

**Sun/Moon Chart This Week**

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wed 9/17	7:31 a.m.	7:51 p.m.	6:25 a.m.	7:51 p.m.
Thu	7:31 a.m.	7:49 p.m.	7:36 a.m.	8:27 p.m.
Fri	7:32 a.m.	7:48 p.m.	8:48 a.m.	9:02 p.m.
Sat	7:33 a.m.	7:46 p.m.	9:59 a.m.	9:37 p.m.
Sun	7:33 a.m.	7:45 p.m.	11:10 a.m.	10:16 p.m.
Mon 9/23	7:34 a.m.	7:44 p.m.	12:21 p.m.	10:58 p.m.
Tue	7:35 a.m.	7:42 p.m.	1:30 p.m.	11:44 p.m.

**Last Week's Almanac & Growing Degree Days**

Date	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Date	High	Low	Normals	Precip
9/4	88	59	87/63	0.00"	9/4	23	9/8	5	
9/5	85	60	87/62	0.00"	9/5	22	9/9	0	
9/6	91	63	87/62	0.00"	9/6	27	9/10	0	
9/7	90	60	86/62	0.00"	9/7	25			
9/8	69	42R	86/61	0.00"					
9/9	42	37R	86/61	0.00"					
9/10	54	40R	85/61	0.00"					

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.

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