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Lindale ISD adopts lower tax rate for 2021-22

The Lindale ISD Board of Trustees adopted the 2021-2022 school budgets and set the new tax rates during a special called school board meeting on Monday, Aug. 30 in the administration building, publicity officials announced.

The board adopted a total tax rate of \$1.192. It's a rate that includes a maintenance and operation rate of \$0.9020 and an interest and sinking rate of \$0.290. The tax rate was reduced by 6.6 cents.

"I want to thank the school board for their management over the past several years," said Superintendent, Stan Surratt. "Over just the last three years, the LISD Board of Trustees has cut the tax rate by almost 20 cents. That type of tax reduction is just unheard of."

Surratt noted the LISD rate stands virtually alone in East Texas.

"This rate is lower than Tyler's (ISD) and one of the lowest in all of East Texas," he said.

The school board was able to reduce the taxes for all property owners in Lindale because of the strong economic growth throughout the community. This past year, the school district experienced about a 12 percent growth in property values.

"It is our job as board members to set the tax rates to properly fund our school system," said LISD School Board President, Mike Combs. "Because of Lindale's strong growth, we were able to reduce the tax rate again. We now have one of the lowest tax rates in East Texas, which means our home owners and property owners in Lindale pay less taxes. I want to thank the entire school board and Mrs. Tate, our Director of Finance, for their work and management that led to this reduction of the tax rate."

Calvary Commission plans Mission Conference, Labor Day BBQ "Blast"

Calvary Commission will celebrate 44 years at its annual Breakthrough Prayer and Missions Conference through Sept. 6 at the Lindale campus, officials announced.

The conference is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 2 with Keith Hassell, pastor of Grace Fellowship in Rusk and coordinator of East Texas Pastors Fellowship.

In addition, Calvary Commission has scheduled its annual Labor Day "Barbecue Blast," beginning at 2 p.m. and featuring holiday family fun, games, musical and drama presentations, bounce houses, a petting zoo, pony rides, a fishing tournament and limousine rides.



The Lindale Eagles took the field this past Friday against Kaufman at Eagle Stadium in Lindale's home and season opener. Photos by Terry Cannon



Lindale's Kasey Villarreal picks up some of his 71 yards on the ground against Kaufman this past Friday at Eagle Stadium.

Smith Co. home to COVID Infusion Center

Smith County is now home to a Regional Infusion Center to help treat COVID-19 patients with the aim of keeping more out of local hospitals, said County Public Information Officer Casey Murphy.

Smith County officials submitted a request for assistance to the state of Texas on Friday, Aug. 20 and the request was approved by Texas Division of Emergency Management. It is located at UT Health North Campus Tyler, located at 11937 U.S. Highway 271 and is the 14th state-sponsored operational center in Texas.

The state-supported infusion center, which began treating the local hospitals' backlogs of patients needing monoclonal antibody treatment on Monday, Aug. 30, opened to the public on Tuesday, Aug. 31.

It includes personnel, equipment, supplies and wrap-around services for a 20-chair Regional Infusion Center.

Smith County Judge Nathaniel Moran made the decision to submit the request following a meeting with state officials and local medical representatives from the Northeast Texas Public Health District, UT Health East Texas and CHRISTUS Trinity Mother Frances Health System.

The facility will be open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Medical professionals will be able to administer a monoclonal antibody treatment to up to 60 patients per day.

Patients will be monitored after the infusion before being sent home to recuperate. The infusions are meant for COVID-19 patients who are not yet hospitalized or on oxygen supplements.

Having a "Regional Infusion Center" in Smith County is expected to reduce the COVID-19 impact on local

hospitals, alleviate pressure on staffing needs, and assist those who are ill and at high risk for progressing to severe COVID-19.

"Because it is a medical facility and because of its proximity to Interstate 20, UT Health's North Campus is the perfect spot for a Regional Infusion Center, to serve not just those from Smith County, but many others from around the region," Moran said. "Having this center available to local COVID-19 patients will help them get better more quickly and keep them out of our hospital ICU rooms."

Dr. Tom Cummins, Division Chief Medical Officer for UT Health East Texas, said they are pleased UT Health East Texas can assist in efforts to decrease the number of hospitalized patients in East Texas by providing the space for antibody infusion therapy to serve this region.

"We have surpassed our previous peak for COVID-19 hospitalizations and the numbers continue to increase rather than decrease," Dr. Cummins said. "This antibody infusion center is a step in the right direction to hopefully reduce that trend."

While UT Health East Texas has been providing antibody therapy since it became available, this joint effort with the Texas Division of Emergency Management helps expand access to antibody therapy that is proving to be an essential tool in helping keep COVID-19 patients out of the hospital, he said.

CHRISTUS Trinity Mother Frances Health System has also been administering the antibody infusion therapy at several of its East Texas facilities and will continue to do so at its Tyler and Jacksonville facilities.



Lindale looks to rebound against Pine Tree Friday

By Terry Cannon
Editor

After a loss, fans will sometimes look for reasons – or blame – as to why their favorite team didn't come out on top.

Lindale High School's Head Football Coach Chris Cochran understands this part of human nature and is quick to point to who he believes is the most responsible for his club's 39-36 season opening loss to the Kaufman Lions this past Friday at Eagle Stadium.

"This is not the way we play and we have to be better," he said. "And that starts with me. I have to be better in getting our players to be better, finish better and be prepared better."

"It starts with me, then goes to the coaching staff and finally with the players. If we do a better job, then our players will succeed."

Kaufman played the way Cochran expected: disciplined, tough and fought hard on every play.

"There's no doubt our players wanted to win but it looked like Kaufman wanted it a little more than we did," he said. "And that's what I told them."

This week, there's no rest for the weary as the Eagles travel to Longview to take on the Pine Tree Pirates, 25-0 winners of Liberty-Eylau last Friday.

Pine Tree finished last year with a 9-2-1 record and earned a berth in the Area finals after going 6-1 in District 9-5A, Div. II.

The Pirates are young on offense, Cochran said, but feature a quality defense.

"Anytime you can shut anyone out you're doing a great job," he said of the Pirates' opening night win.

Head Coach Kerry Lane guided Pine Tree to its first nine-win season since 1977 and first playoff win since 1976, a 34-28 bi-district decision over A&M Consolidated. The next week, the Pirates fell to Nederland, 34-21.

Running back Ethan Morgan, who rushed for 775 yards and nine touchdowns a year ago, will lead the ground game while Devonta Davis and incoming sophomore Trey Brown will also share time in the backfield.

Linebacker Dallas Dixon and lineman Mark Daniels are other key performers for the Pirates.

Against Liberty-Eylau, the Pirates took a 6-0 lead into halftime, added another score in the third period and two more in the fourth for the win. Senior Ethan Morgan led the offense with 141 rushing yards on 18 carries and two touchdowns, while senior receiver Lukas Branson hauled in five passes for 96 yards.

KAUFMAN GAME

Lindale's offense came out strong on its first possession, moving 70 yards in nine plays mixing the run and pass effectively.

With 5:32 left in the first period, senior quarterback Sam Peterson hooked up with receiver Jacob Seekford on a 31-yard score. The two point conversion made it 8-0.

A couple of minutes later, Kaufman's Braxton Garmon ran in from 14 yards out for the Lions' first score. The extra point was missed.

The Eagles held a 36-24 lead going into the fourth period, but the relentless Lions added two more touchdowns for the win.

But despite the disappointment from week one, Cochran has full confidence in his team to bounce back.

"For some reason, teams have a tendency to improve a lot from week one to week two," he said. "I've told our guys we still have the opportunity to be a good team but we've got to put in the work."

The coach has also stressed the fact that last year's successes are in the rearview mirror and don't have any bearing on this year.

"There's the windshield which is the big view of what's in front of you," he said. "Then there's that small mirror that shows what's behind you. That view doesn't matter. It's the big picture in front of you that counts."

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Science or...

Okay folks, I am begging you, if you have not had the COVID vaccine, please consider getting it. The Pfizer vaxx has been fully approved by the FDA and Moderna is well on its way. In our family, we have lost two people to the disease, both unvaccinated. Now with this devil of a Delta variant we are seeing breakthrough infections.

One of my 'old' best friends has a breakthrough infection that she thought was allergies until she lost her sense of smell and taste. BUT, she didn't lose her life. One of my 'new' dear friends and a young one at that, also has it along with her kindergartner. Again, she doesn't feel great but she will be fine.

Yes, we are a part of an experiment. But we have been before. My generation was on the cutting edge of vaccinations with smallpox and polio. My son's generation had to be vaxxed to attend school for chicken pox, measles, mumps, rubella AND whooping cough. Want to guess what has happened since we have maxed out on vaxx fears? New cases of all of the above, loss of sight and hearing in children, and also loss of life.



Suzanne Bardwell

I survived chicken pox with a few scars, measles with memories of being pampered, and mumps... uh, just miserable memories there. But I was one of the lucky ones. I didn't lose my sight or my hearing. Nor was I exposed to any pregnant ladies causing the possibility of horrific birth defects.

I understand fears of vaccination. Often those most fearful simply don't understand how they work. And yes, I agree that sometimes, especially in the past, the other agents in the vaccine may have caused problems. But that was then and this is now. And right now there is so much disinformation online. Isn't that a nice way to put out-and-out lies?

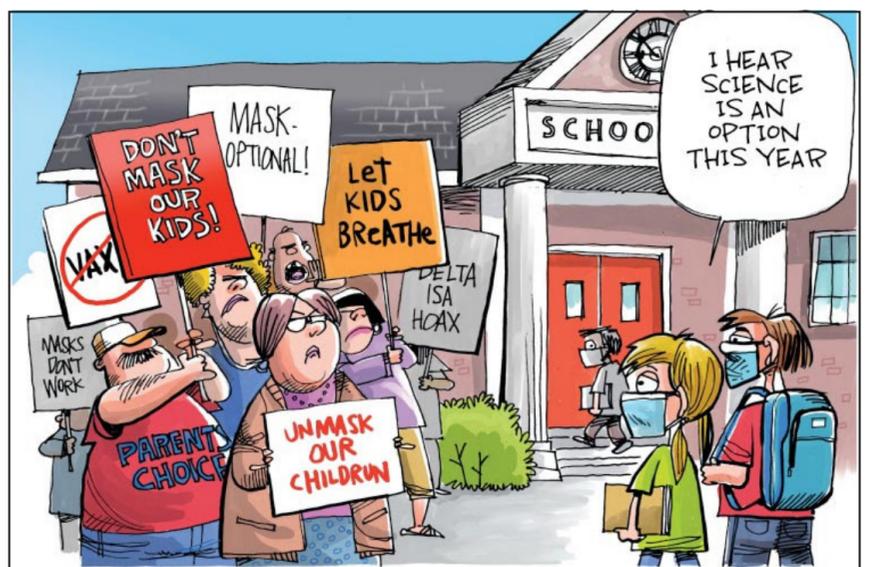
When we politicize health issues, right or left, we are leaving our ethics behind. Are there real health reasons to avoid the vaccine? Yes, if your doctor says so. Also, if the majority of us were vaccinated we might avoid school shut downs, keep our hospital beds open for something other

than COVID, save a whole lot of lives and untold heartache and expense in the bargain.

And by the way Ivermectin users, the United States Poison Control Center says use of the livestock medicine to treat COVID in humans rather than parasites in cattle has led to an increase of 150% of poisoning cases...and often possible liver damage.

On the other hand, the Center for Disease Control has reported that 99% of people who have been vaccinated against the virus have avoided a severe or deadly case of COVID-19. If you are a gambler I would go with the CDC odds.

You have a lot of living and loving to do. Take care of yourselves and everyone around you. Be safe and know that you are valued and cared for...life is too wonderful to just roll the dice and depend on luck in the middle of a crisis, please, instead depend on science.



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Dedicated Miss Texas spreads “Love Shouldn’t Hurt” message

Miss Texas Volunteer Lindsey Sharpless was the guest speaker at a recent meeting of the Lindale Rotary Club and brought a timely – and truly authentic message “Love Shouldn’t Hurt” – to club members about the continuing problem of domestic violence.

She’s not someone just reciting words from a prepared speech, because unfortunately, she has first-hand experience from her time as a young teenager when her sister was a victim of domestic violence at the hands of her boyfriend.

Sharpless described a truly horrific situation: her sister was forced to endure mental abuse which eventually turned into physical abuse in the form of being bound and gagged and forced to live in a closet.

She was able to escape only when the abuser ordered her to go to the store and get him something to eat. Sharpless’ sister jumped over the counter of the convenience store and cowering in fear, begged for someone to call the police.

When the police arrived, the nightmare continued because the officers didn’t believe her despite her bruises and welts as a result of the constant physical abuse.

Eventually, Sharpless and her family were able to get a restraining order on him. But as is often the case, the abuser continued his despicable pattern with another woman.

Her sister eventually was able to move onto become a successful professional, earning a master’s and Ph.D degree.

“No matter what you’ve gone through as an abused person, it doesn’t define who you are,” Sharpless wisely pointed out to the Rotarians.



Miss Texas Volunteer Lindsey Sharpless

Terry Cannon

Editor

In 2019, she earned a bachelor’s degree from the University of Houston, earning Dean’s List honors along the way with a 3.65 GPA.

A tap dancer since the age of two, Sharpless has enjoyed the camaraderie of the pageant life through the years.

“Pageant people are all so supportive of you regardless of who you are or where you come from,” she said. “It’s always been fun for me and I love encouraging others because I believe if you are supportive of others you will never lose.”

During the past year she, much like others across the state and nation, faced a major challenge in trying to deal with the pandemic. Statistics from across the country point out that because more people were spending more time at home, domestic violence numbers increased.

“(The pandemic) made me step back and try to think of different ways to help others who were victims of domestic violence because

of COVID,” she said.

Sharpless is truly a dedicated advocate to help eradicate domestic violence and has a list of accomplishments to prove it.

- They include:
- Donating “Love Shouldn’t Hurt” essential bags to domestic violence shelters in all 50 states;
 - Published a children’s book “Through the Eyes of a Kid”;
 - Collected more than 1,000 donations through her “Love Shouldn’t Hurt” drive with proceeds benefiting local domestic violence shelters in Texas;

-- Presented her self-developed “HEARTS” educational program and interactive seminar to hundreds of students across Texas;

-- Donated non-perishable goods to domestic violence shelters in Houston, Dallas, Austin and San Antonio;

-- Partnered with title holders across the U.S. with similar social impacts to spread awareness of domestic violence.

“I am so blessed to be able to go into communities and discuss something that is so important,” she told the Rotarians.

She said it’s important for everyone to be an advocate of domestic violence victims and be an outreach for someone.

“Tell them that you truly care and you’ll always be there for them,” she said.

According to the National Domestic Violence Hotline an average of 24 people per minute are victims of rape, violence or stalking and is approximately 12 million people per year.

Intimate partner violence affects more than 12 million people per year, according to the NDVH and from 1994-2010 four out of every five of these victims was female.

Lindsey Sharpless is on the march to end domestic violence. It would be unwise to bet against her.

Down in the dumps, and it’s a good thing

You know, nobody has good dumps anymore.

You know, where people dump their trash. I can remember a time when almost everyone that lived in the country had a big ditch or a washed out place on their land where they dumped their garbage.

Back then it was a prerequisite when you bought land.

“Well, Mr. Smith,” the conversation would begin. “This here is a real nice place you’ve got. Plenty of pastureland, gobs of water, and the price you’re askin’ is half of what everybody else around here wants. But, I’m sorry. I’m gonna have to pass. You just don’t have a gully so’s I can dump my trash.”

You know, you would think the gully would finally fill up, but that never happened. That’s because nature, in the form of boys, kept the dumps down to a tolerable level.

That’s right, boys; nature’s recyclers. You see, a dump will draw a boy to it faster than a cow patty draws flies. I remember when I was a kid, my cousin Coy and I made regular rounds to the dumps in our area, and I don’t remember a time that we came home empty handed.

People used to throw good stuff away back then, you know.

Rusty Mitchum

Life & Times

Now they just have a garage sale. My cousin Coy and I would come home with some pretty good stuff. Once we outfitted ourselves from Mr. Dozier’s dump with enough army stuff to start a war.

And talk about bottles; who wee, man was there plenty of bottles. We didn’t take these home, we just busted them right there. We’d line them up and chunk other bottles at them ‘till they were reduced to a pile of shards. BB guns were good to use on bottles, too. Well, some bottles. There were a few that were BB proof, and would send that little metal ball back at us with almost as much velocity as when it left the gun.

No, we didn’t put our eyes out.

The most memorable adventure I had at a dump was when I was with my dad. This was my first trip to a big city dump. I thought I had died and gone to garbage heaven. As far as the eye could see, there were mountains

and mountains of trash.

“Wow,” I said. “Would you look at that?”

“I don’t have to look,” said dad. “I can smell it.” It was kind of gamey.

“Hey Rusty,” he said. “Did you ever find any rawhide to make that Indian drum you and Coy wanted to build?”

Anyone who knew my dad can tell you that he loved a good laugh and had the uncanny ability to see somethin’ funny even before it happened, so he tried to help the situation along, so that the conclusion turned out humorous.

“No sir,” I answered. “Why?”

“Well, look over there,” he said. I looked and there was a dead cow. It must have been there for awhile, because she was pretty bloated.

“Wow!” I said. “If I had a knife, I could cut a piece of that cow’s hide off, couldn’t I?”

“Well shoot,” said Dad. “Don’t let it be said that I ever spoiled

anyone’s fun,” and he pulled out his pocketknife. “Here ya go. Have at it.”

“Gee, thanks!” I exclaimed, and grabbed the knife and took off. I decided that the white belly would make a pretty drumhead, so I would start there. I opened the knife and stabbed it into the cow. Suddenly there was a hissin’ sound and air started gushing out of the hole I had made. My head was engulfed in a cloud of the most putrid air I had ever known.

I started clawin’ the air tryin’ to get away. I stumbled back toward the truck, stoppin’ only long enough to heave my toenails up. Through my tears, I could see my dad back at the truck. He was in tears, too. He was on his hands and knees. I’ve never seen anyone laughin’ so hard in all my young life. He wouldn’t even look at me while we were goin’ home. If he did he would bust out into a laughin’ fit again.

When we got home, he related the story in grody detail to mom. As he told the story, he noticed that she wasn’t laughin’. As a matter-of-fact, she didn’t find it funny at all. Slowly he stopped laughin’, too. Now, it was my turn to smile. Because, nobody, and I mean nobody, picks on my momma’s boy.

CLARIFICATION

SMITH COUNTY ESD NO. 1 ADOPTS TAX RATE

In the Aug. 26 edition of the Lindale News and Times, information concerning the Smith County Emergency Services District’s tax rate was incorrect.

Here is the corrected version:

The Board of Commissioners for the Smith County Emergency Services District No. 1 adopted a tax rate of \$.063588 per \$100 property valuation for maintenance and operations for the tax year 2021 at a public meeting held on Aug. 19, 2021. This rate is a 2.6 percent decrease of last year’s tax rate of \$.065300.

Times of Lindale

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ONE YEAR AGO, Sept. 3, 2020

Lindale’s Eagles traveled to Kaufman for the season opening football game and brought a 32-27 win back home but had to withstand a second half rally from the Lions to do so.

The Eagles controlled the action and the scoreboard, building a 25-10 advantage and keeping the Lions at bay. Another touchdown was added in the fourth, but the Lions sprang to life to make a game out of it before falling.

“Absolutely, we celebrated this win,” said LHS Head Coach Chris Cochran. “Winning is too hard not to celebrate when you get one. Having said that, though, I think we were able to grow as a team and learn from this game.”

FIVE YEARS AGO, Sept. 1, 2016

Senior quarterback Montana Meador scored from 16 yards out with just 39 second left in the game to lift the Lindale Eagles to a 42-39, season-opening victory over the Kaufman Lions at Eagle Stadium.

Meador’s big touchdown came approximately two minutes after Kaufman’s Casey Smith hauled in a 63-yard scoring pass from quarterback Trey Collier.

Meador’s game-winning TD finished off a 68-yard drive, with the quarterback picking up key first downs along the way through the air and on the ground.

He finished the night with 447 total yards, with 302 coming via the pass.

10 YEARS AGO, Sept. 1, 2011

With state-ranked Carthage coming to Lindale for an early season showdown with the Eagles, Lindale got the new football year off to a rousing start with a 56-7 beat down of the Spring Hill Panthers at Eagle Stadium.

Quarterback Clay Price had three touchdown runs and one through the air as the Eagles built a 42-7 lead at the half.

Trey Acy rushed nine times for 122 yards and two touchdowns for the Eagles and Demarcus Lynch added two more scores on the ground.

Smith County Master Gardener’s “Fabulous Fall Favorites”

Lynn McGinnis
Smith County Master Gardener

Autumn is fast approaching, and if you’re like me, you’re looking forward to crisp, cool days, chilly nights and the changing colors of the leaves. As the seasons change, so do our gardening activities.

The Smith County Master Gardeners have been very busy this spring and summer keeping the Tyler Botanical Gardens as beautiful as ever! And while we continue to maintain the beauty of these gardens, we have several fall community projects:

Leading off our many Fall activities, is the “First Tuesdays in the Garden!”

Join us at Noon on the patio in the IDEA Garden (located in the southeast corner of the Tyler Botanical Gardens) Sept. 7, Oct. 5 and Nov. 2 for our Fall Gardening series of programs. Seating is limited, so you may want to bring a lawnchair. Lectures run about 30-40 minutes. Topics this Fall are “What’s Bugging You”, “Bulbs 101” and “Weaving an Autumn Tapestry Using Changing Colors.” All lectures begin at 12 noon.

The East Texas Gardening Guide and Calendar is a yearly publication by the Smith County Master Gardeners offering gardening advice, tips, planting guides, lists of things to do, and timely articles on seasonal plants – all written with the local East Texas gardening community in mind.

The 2022 Calendar/Guide highlights pollinators featuring butterflies, hummingbirds, moths and the native plants that attract them. Filled with loads of information and amazing photographs taken by Master Gardeners, it’s a must for all gardeners.

These Calendar/Guides are for sale for \$7 each and will be for available at all Master Gardener events or you can contact 903-590-2980 or smithmghelpdesk@gmail.com.

Smith County Master Gardeners will be participating the 2021 East Texas Fair this year assisting in the horticulture building, answering all your gardening questions and providing brochures for various horticulture topics.

The East Texas Fair opens Sept. 24 and runs through Oct. 3. Tyler’s Rose Garden hosts many visitors every year, including groups who arrive by bus to view the gardens. Smith County Master Gardeners have formed a team to serve the Tyler Parks and Recreation Department as trained and informed guides for these out-of-town visitors. For tours, contact 903-590-2980 or smithmghelpdesk@gmail.com.

And last but certainly not least, the award winning Smith County Master Gardeners “From Bulbs to Blooms” sale is back this year! This event features heirloom, hardy, and hard-to-find bulbs that are suited for Texas and the Southern zones.



Again, this year we are hosting a virtual event with online shopping and curbside pickup which is similar to last year.

Greg Grant, Smith County Horticulture Agent and bulb expert will host a virtual presentation showcasing the bulbs that will be available for sale in the online store on Sept. 13.

The online store will open for shopping on Sept. 27 through Oct. 5. Bulb sale pick up is Oct. 9 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at Pollard United Methodist Church, 3030 New Copeland Road in Tyler.

The link for the online bulb store and much more information on the sale is www.txmgo.org/smith. Tickets will also be available online for a chance to win a very special bulb being raffled by the Smith County Master Gardeners. Plan on shopping early as many items sell out quickly.

Smith County Master Gardener program is a volunteer organization in connection with the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service.

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BBB warns consumers about QR codes

Companies use Quick Response codes to point consumers to their apps, track packages, or view menus.

But because these codes can't be read by the human eye, they have become a new way for scammers to disguise malicious links. As QR codes grow in usage, BBB Scam Tracker is seeing more reports of con artists using them to mislead consumers.

"Something to always keep in mind," said Mechele Agbayani Mills, President and CEO of BBB Serving Central East Texas, "Is that whenever new technology grows in popularity, scam artists will capitalize on the trend."

How the Scam Works

You receive an email, a direct message on social media, a text message, a flyer, or a piece of mail that includes a QR code. You are supposed to scan the code with your phone's camera, and it will open a link. In some scams, the QR code takes you to a phishing website, where you are prompted to enter your personal information or login credentials for scammers to steal. Other times, con artists use QR codes to automatically launch payment apps or follow a malicious social media account.

These scams differ greatly, but they all have one thing in common. Scammers hope you will scan the code right away, without taking a closer look. QR codes often appear to come from legitimate sources, so make sure any correspondence is legitimate before you scan the code.

How to Avoid QR Scams

If someone you know sends you a QR code, also confirm before scanning it. Whether you receive a text message from a friend or a message on social media from your workmate, contact that person directly before you scan the QR code to make sure they haven't been hacked.

Don't open links from strangers. If you receive an unsolicited message from a stranger, don't scan the QR code, even if they promise you exciting gifts or investment opportunities.

Verify the source. If a QR code appears to come from a reputable source, it's wise to double check. If the correspondence appears to come from a government agency, call or visit their official website to confirm.

Be wary of short links. If a URL-shortened link appears when you scan a QR code, understand that you can't know where the code is directing you. It could be hiding a malicious URL.

Watch out for advertising materials that have been tampered with. Some scammers attempt to mislead consumers by altering legitimate business ads by placing stickers over the QR code. Keep an eye out for signs of tampering.

Install a QR scanner with added security. Some antivirus companies have QR scanner apps that check the safety of a scanned link before you open it. They can identify phishing scams, forced app downloads, and other dangerous links.

For More Information

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OBITUARY

Charles Edward "Bubba" Williams

Funeral services for Charles Edward "Bubba" Williams, age 77, of Lindale were held Monday, Aug. 30, 2021 at the Lindale First Baptist Church with Dr. Tom Buck and Rev. Ryan Taber officiating under the direction of Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home in Lindale.

Interment was in the Damascus Cemetery. Mr. Williams died Thursday, Aug. 26 at his residence in Lindale. He was born on Jan. 1, 1944 in Lindale.

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Saturday, Aug. 21, 2021

Sgt Houghton and Officer Capps responded to a theft at 200 block W Centennial Blvd, report taken. Sgt Houghton and Officer Capps responded to a found property at 200 block W Centennial Blvd, report taken. Sgt Houghton and Officer Capps responded to a suspicious circumstance at 900 block Carol Dr, settled at scene. Sgt Houghton and Officers Capps and Fortunas responded to a sexual assault at 500 block Pierce St, report taken. Officer Capps responded to a business alarm at 15500 block CR 463, false alarm. Sgt Houghton and Officer Capps responded to a suspicious circumstance at 100 block E Centennial Blvd, settled at scene. Officer Allen and Officer Jackquet responded to an accident at 553 E I-20 report taken. Officer Allen responded to a suspicious vehicle at 900 block E Hubbard St, settled at scene. Officer Shurley responded to a suspicious vehicle at 3400 block S Main St, settled at scene. Officer Allen responded to a suspicious vehicle at 200 block Cannery Row, settled at scene. Officer Allen responded to a loud noise complaint at 400 block Husky Dr, settled at scene. Officer Shurley and Officer Jackquet responded to an assist smith county at 13000 block CR 499, unfounded. Officer Shurley and Officer Jackquet responded to a business alarm at 300 block E South St, false alarm.

Sunday, Aug. 22, 2021

Officer Trombley and Officer Capps responded to a business alarm at 16200 block FM 849, false alarm. Officer Trombley and Officer Capps responded to a public service at 13900 block FM 2710, settled at scene. Officer Trombley responded to a public service at 500 block Penny Ln, settled at scene. Officer Allen responded to a civil matter



at 3500 block S Main St, settled at scene. Sgt Houghton and Officers Shurley, Allen and Jackquet responded to a warrant service at 500 block Mallory St, arrest made. Officer Shurley responded to a theft from a motor vehicle at 17000 block I-20 W, settled at scene. Sgt Houghton responded to a loud noise complaint at 700 block Stewart St, unfounded. Officer Shurley responded to an assist smith county at 20100 block FM 16 W, settled at scene. Officer Shurley and Officer Jackquet responded to a suspicious circumstance at 500 block Sunset Dr, settled at scene.

Monday, Aug. 23, 2021

Officer Capps responded to a public service at 100 block Ballard Dr, settled at scene. Sgt Houghton and Officer Allen responded to a welfare concern at 3400 block S Main St, unfounded. Officer Allen responded to a public service at 900 block S Main St, settled at scene. Sgt Houghton and Officer Capps responded to a suspicious person at 1500 block S Main St, settled at scene. Officer Capps and Officer Allen responded to an accident at 900 block Wood Springs Rd, report taken. Officer Capps responded to a suspicious person at 400 block Marchman St, unfounded. Officer Jackquet responded to a public service at 21200 block HWY 69 N, report taken. Officer Shurley and Officer Jackquet responded to a business alarm at 16200 block FM 849, false alarm.

Tuesday, Aug. 24, 2021

Officer Allen responded to a residential alarm at 800 block Pine-land Ln, false alarm. Officer Sgt Houghton and Officers Fortunas and Jackquet responded to a deadly conduct at 600 block Fruitdale St, arrest made. Officer Shurley responded to a welfare concern at 200 block Sandy Dr, settled at scene. Officer Shurley responded to an assist smith county at 100 block E Centennial Blvd, unfounded. Shurley and Officer Jackquet responded to a business alarm at 400 block W Hubbard St, false alarm. Officer Shurley responded to an accident at 3500 block S Main St, report taken.

Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2021

Officer Philpot and Officers Ramsey and Dailey responded to an accident at 500 block S Main St, report taken. Officer Philpot and Officer Ramsey responded to a welfare concern at 200 block Sandy Dr, settled at scene. Officer Ramsey responded to a public service at 3500 block S Main St, settled at scene. Officer Philpot responded to a abandoned vehicle at 13700 block CR 474, settled at scene. Lt Lazarine responded to a credit card abuse at 100 block Ballard Dr, report taken. Officer Ramsey responded to a public service at 100 block Ballard Dr, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Ramsey responded to an accident at 18400 block Hwy 69 N, report taken. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Ramsey responded to an assist other agency at 200 block W South St, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Ramsey responded to a disturbance at 1200 block Brad Cir, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Leevey responded to an assist other agency at 19100 block Hwy 69 N, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Leevey responded to a warrant service at 13400 block I-20, arrest made. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Gillham responded to a public intoxication at 66 block Miranda Lambert Way, arrest made. Officer Leevey responded to a stolen vehicle at 3500 block S Main St, arrest made.

Thursday, Aug. 26, 2021

Officer Philpot and Officer Ramsey responded to an assist smith county at 300 block S Industrial St, settled at scene. Officer Ramsey responded to a counterfeit at 500 block S Main St, report taken. Chief Somes responded to an assist other agency at 200 block W North St, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officers Philpot and Ramsey responded to a welfare concern at 3300 block S Main St, settled at scene. Officer Philpot responded to a welfare concern at 100 block Ballard Dr, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Gillham responded to a disturbance at 3500 block S Main St, settled at scene. Officer Gillham responded to a theft at 500 block Sunset Dr, report taken. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Gillham responded to an accident at 552 I-20 E, report taken. Sgt Dworaczyk responded to a hit and run at 17000 block I-20 W, report taken. Sgt Dworaczyk and Offices Gillham and Leevey responded to a verbal disturbance at 800 block Sweetgum Ln, settled at scene.

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Dr. Karen Gott sworn in as new LISD trustee

Dr. Karen Gott was sworn in as the newest member of the Lindale ISD Board of Trustees prior to the board's regular monthly meeting on Monday night (Aug. 30), district officials announced. Gott will serve out the unexpired term of longtime board member Kelly Cox, who resigned in June, 2021. She has served as a local dentist for several years.

"It was 29 years ago that my husband and I chose Lindale to call home and raise our children," said Gott. "That decision, in a large part, included the quality and reputation of our schools and teachers. Both of our boys attended K-12 at Lindale ISD and they plan to return to Lindale to live and raise their families. I am honored to have this opportu-

nity to serve on the Lindale ISD school board." "It is an honor to appoint Dr. Gott," said Board President Mike Combs. "We look forward to the knowledge and support that she will bring to our team and district." Superintendent Stan Surratt offered praise for the new trustee. "Dr. Gott has an excellent

reputation in our community and has been a strong supporter of Lindale ISD for many years," said Surratt.



Dr. Karen Gott, right, is sworn in as the new LISD trustee before Monday's board meeting. Administrative assistant Penni Jordan performed the ceremony. (Courtesy photo)

NOTICE OF SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY'S PETITION FOR AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT NET INTERIM FUEL SURCHARGE

On August 6, 2021, Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) filed a petition with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to implement a net interim fuel surcharge under Texas Utilities Code § 36.203 and 16 Texas Admin. Code (TAC) §§ 25.236 and 25.237. The docket number assigned to this proceeding is PUC Docket No. 52397. If the Commission approves this petition, all of SWEPCO's Texas retail customers who pay fixed fuel factors will be affected. SWEPCO's petition affects only the fuel portion of the rates that SWEPCO charges for electricity in Texas and does not affect non-fuel base rates. These changes will be subject to final review by the Commission in SWEPCO's next fuel reconciliation case.

Because SWEPCO materially under-collected its fuel costs through June 30, 2021, and projects that it will continue to be in a state of material under-collection, SWEPCO seeks to implement a net interim fuel surcharge. Through June 2021, SWEPCO materially under-collected its total fuel and purchased power expenses by an adjusted \$148,246,634, excluding interest.

Under 16 TAC § 25.236(e)(5), "all surcharges shall be made on a monthly basis over a period not to exceed 12 months through a bill charge" unless otherwise ordered by the Commission. 16 TAC § 25.236(e)(1) states, "[i]nterest shall be calculated on the cumulative monthly ending under- or over-recovery balance at the rate established annually by the commission for overbilling and under-billing in §25.28." A surcharge for SWEPCO's under-recovered fuel costs over a 12-month period using the Commission's approved carrying charge would result in a residential customer using 1000 kWh per month seeing an average monthly increase of \$28.46, or 27.06%, in their monthly electric bill during the one-year surcharge period.

To mitigate the impact on customers' monthly bills, SWEPCO has requested a good cause exception from the Commission to 16 TAC § 25.236(e)(5) and has asked to implement this surcharge over a five-year or 60-month period, beginning with the November 2021 billing period. SWEPCO has also requested a good cause exception to 16 TAC § 25.236(e)(1) and proposes the use of the Company's weighted average cost of capital (WACC) as the appropriate carrying costs for the under-recovered fuel cost balance to be surcharged over a five-year period. Including interest at the Company's WACC through the proposed surcharge period in the amount of \$43,261,360, SWEPCO seeks to collect a net total of \$191,507,994, from its Texas retail customers through the requested five-year surcharge period. If the Commission finds good cause for exceptions to 16 TAC §§ 25.236(e)(1) and 25.236(e)(5), and approves SWEPCO's surcharge as requested, a residential customer using 1000 kWh per month will see an average monthly increase of \$7.25, or 6.89%, in their monthly electric bill during the five-year surcharge period.

SWEPCO proposes that customers receiving service pursuant to its As-Available Standby Service (AAS) and Large Lighting and Power Substation (LLP) tariffs should have their surcharges calculated based on historical usage. SWEPCO proposes that other retail customers be surcharged through class refund factors applied to their actual kWh usage during the applicable billing period.

Persons with questions or who want more information on SWEPCO's petition may contact Southwestern Electric Power Company at 428 Travis Street, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101, telephone toll free at (888) 216-3523 during normal business hours. A complete copy of this petition is available for inspection at the address listed above. Persons who wish to formally participate in this proceeding, or who wish to express their comments concerning this petition should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, Office of Consumer Protection, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or call (512) 936-7120, or toll free at (888) 782-8477. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may call (512) 936-7136 or use Relay Texas (toll free) at (800) 735-2989. A request to intervene or for further information should reference Docket No. 52397.



Lindale Garden Club ready for another year

Members of the Lindale Garden Club met recently at Collin Street Bakery and discussed programs for the coming year, said club spokesperson Geneva McKinley. The club meets the second Monday of each month from September to May at the Lindale First United Methodist Church of Lindale. Meetings will feature interesting speakers and informative topics for those in attendance. Shown in the photo are Officers Nancy Pike, Diane Stegall, Geneva McKinley, Linda Thelen and Shirley Arnold. Not shown is Brenda Willis. (Courtesy photo)

Junior High girls defeat Kilgore

The Lindale Junior High School Lady Eagles got their 2021 volleyball season off on a winning note by defeating Kilgore in three of four matches. The 7th grade B team won by scores of 25-7 and 25-9; the 7th grade A team won 25-20 and 25-16; the 8th grade B team fell 13-25 and 14-25 and the 8th grade A team won 25-12 and 25-8. For the 7th grade B team, Brook Gissell, Cambry Andreason and Emory Philpott Cook were leading servers, while McKenzie Clark was the leading passer. Brooke Gissell was also the leading setter and leading hitter. The 7th grade A team saw Emma Watkins as the leading server, Ava Grogan as the leading passer,

Ella Hutchins was the leading setter and Ma'Kaylin Smith was the leading hitter. For the 8th grade B team, Lauren Stanton was the leading server, Abigail Warrington was the leading passer and leading setter, Kenlie Collins was the leading hitter and Lauren Stanton won the Leadership Award. The leading passer for the 8th grade A team was Macy Luster, while Abigail Palecek and Menah Harley were leading passers. Macy Luster was the leading setter, Sadie Arriola was the leading hitter, and Alyssia Romera and Sadie Arriola were leading blockers. Macy Luster won the Leadership Award and Menah Harley won the Hustle Award.



Fans at the Lindale Eagles' home opener were entertained by high school twirlers prior to kickoff against the Kaufman Lions on Friday night. (Photo by Terry Cannon)



Lindale senior quarterback Sam Peterson picks up a first down during second quarter action Friday night against the Kaufman Lions in the Eagles' home opener. (Photo by Terry Cannon)



The Lindale High School Star Steppers lined up prior to the Eagles' home opener this past Friday night against Kaufman. (Photo by Terry Cannon)



Lindale receiver Jacob Seekford takes off on a 31-yard touchdown run against Kaufman this past Friday at Eagle Stadium. (Photo by Terry Cannon)

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Prior to the kick off of Lindale's home opener against Kaufman this past Friday, several groups of seniors along with their parents were honored on the field. (Photo by Terry Cannon)

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Lady Eagles top Gilmer in volleyball

It took five sets, but the Lindale High School Lady Eagles volleyball team prevailed against Gilmer Tuesday night in a non-district contest in the LHS Gym.

Scores were 2-25, 25-15, 25-16, 23-25 and 15-10.

Senior Libero Alondra Romero led the defense with 21 digs, and added 3 aces. Senior Middle Blocker Brenley Philen led the attack with 12 kills and 7 digs. McKinleigh Evans and Maddox Lay each added 7 kills.

Ellie Watkins put down 5 kills, and added 8 digs, and an ace. Preslie Walters added 9 defensive digs on the night.

Tatum Woodard had 16 assists and Anna Ivy added 14 assists from the setter position, and an ace.

Over on the junior varsity side, the LadyEagles lost in three sets 17-25, 25-22, and 17-25. Megan McGee had 6 aces and played solid defense from the Libero position. Joey Forsythe led the attack with 4 kills, and Whitney Dao led the defense with 3 blocks.

The Freshmen A Team lost to Gilmer 19-25 and 19-25. Kortlen Pierce had 6 kills to lead the attack and 2 aces. Merrick Gary had 4 kills, 1 ace, and 6 assists. Trinadee Jackson added 5 assists

on the night. Callie Schmidt had 3 digs and 2 aces. Aubrey Travis also added 2 aces. Libero, Reagan Hope recorded 4 digs. Freshmen A will play at 6:00pm Friday at home.

The Freshmen B Team also lost to Gilmer by the same scores of 19-25, and 19-25. Taelor Schilling led with 3 aces, and 2 kills. Haley Crockett had 3 kills. Libero, Holli Dunn added 4 digs. Setter Clara Helvey added 7 assists for the Lady Eagles.

Both the varsity and junior varsity Lady Eagles were scheduled to be in action on Friday, Aug. 27 against Sulphur Springs in the LHS Gym.

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Notice is hereby given that on the 17th day of August, 2021, Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Mary Carolyn Miller, Deceased, were issued to Glenn Paul Hicks by the Honorable Court of Smith County, Texas in Cause No. 45661 P pending on the Probate Docket of said Court. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time prescribed by law to the address being shown below:
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR TPDES PERMIT FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER

RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. WQ0014152001

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Reunion 20 Travel Village, Ltd., P.O. Box 130027, Tyler, Texas 75713, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0014152001 which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 56,000 gallons per day. TCEQ received this application on November 16, 2020.

The facility is located approximately 740 feet east of the intersection of Interstate Highway 20 and State Highway 271, in Smith County, Texas 75713. The treated effluent is discharged to an unnamed tributary, thence to Sunstroke Creek, thence to Harris Creek, thence to Sabine River Below Lake Tawakoni in Segment No. 0506 of the Sabine River Basin. The unclassified receiving water uses are limited aquatic life use for the unnamed tributary and high aquatic life use for Sunstroke Creek. The designated uses for Segment No. 0506 are primary contact recreation, public water supply, and high aquatic life use. All determinations are preliminary and subject to additional review and/or revisions. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application.
<https://tceq.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=db5bac44afbc468bbddd360f8168250f&marker=-95.130555%2C32.441111&level=12>

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Smith County Courthouse, 100 North Broadway Avenue, Tyler, Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify by name and physical address an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material water quality concerns submitted during the comment period. TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/ within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE. For details about the status of the application, visit the Commissioners' Integrated Database at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid. Search the database using the permit number for this application, which is provided at the top of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Any personal information you submit to the TCEQ will become part of the agency's record; this includes email addresses. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Reunion 20 Travel Village, Ltd. at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Rohn Boone at 903-839-2700.

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