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## Piney Woods Wine Festival returns to Lindale

Picker's Pavilion in downtown Lindale was the scene of the annual Piney Woods Wine Festival this past weekend as wineries from across the region showcased their products to large crowds both Saturday and Sunday.

Free and open to the public, the event required a \$15 wristband to enter the Wine Garden at Picker's Pavilion. With a purchase of a wristband each patron received a tasting glass and a wine tote.

Promoters of the event stressed that the wine festival is a convenient opportunity to sample wines from across the region in one place as well as being a welcome addition to the Lindale tourism schedule for the past several years.

Wineries featured at this year's festival included:

- Britt's Wine and Dine, Kilgore;
- Briar Creek Vineyards, Tyler;
- Cannon Creek Vineyard, Canton;
- Enoch's Stomp Winery and Vineyard, Harleton;
- Kiepersol Vineyards, Tyler;
- Los Pinos Ranch Vineyards, Pittsburg;
- M6 Winery, Bullard;
- O'Farrell Country Vineyards, Atlanta;
- Pelle Legna, Tyler
- Red 55 Winery, Lindale;
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- Texas Vineyard and Smokehouse, Palestine;
- Triple N Ranch Winery, Trinidad;
- Valle della Pace Vineyard and Winery, Garden Valley;
- Walkers Mill Vineyard and Winery, Hallsville;
- White Fox Vineyard, Murphison.



Vineyards and wineries from across East Texas displayed their wares this past weekend at Picker's Pavilion in downtown Lindale during the Piney Woods Wine Festival.

Photo by Terry Cannon

## LINDALE ISD IN 2022: Looking Back, Ahead

By Terry Cannon  
Editor

Just like other school districts, the Lindale ISD has to look forward constantly to keep from stagnating.

That doesn't mean, however, that year-to-year accomplishments can't be celebrated and in the case of the LISD, the positive developments continue to be a source of pride to Superintendent Stan Surratt.

New facilities at the Early Childhood Center and College Street Elementary School are currently being completed to ensure there will be plenty room for increasing enrollments on those campuses.

Eight new classrooms will soon be ready at ECC and College Street will have six new classrooms as well as a larger cafeteria.

Blueprints for these campus expansions – which cost \$8 million and were paid for with cash -- were in the works three years ago as part of the district's master facility plan, which as Surratt points out, also contains building a new elementary school campus and improvements to Lindale Junior High.

Several months ago, the district purchased 109 acres off Brickyard Road and behind the Chicken Express Restaurant to be the future home of the new campus.

"(The expansion) is still several years out," he said. "Probably six to 10 years and will require a bond election but it won't

raise the tax rate."

He cited the financial expertise of the Lindale ISD Board of Trustees in helping keep taxpayers happy as well as making sure the district has the proper facilities to serve student growth.

"Our board has cut the tax rate 20 cents in the past three years and will cut it again in August," he said.

Part of the reason for the stable tax rate, he said, is the economic growth of the area and the reputation of the district which has attracted many new families which in turn, spreads out the tax burden.

"With the growth of businesses and the building of houses, our tax base is spread out," he said. "We are blessed. Not too many communities can say that."

And while future activity is exciting, Surratt understands the value of the yearly accomplishments of LISD students.

He cited the Lindale High School "Pride of Lindale" Marching Band's state title at the UIL Military Marching Band competition in late October as just one of many standout performances by the district's youngsters. It was the second year in a row the LHS band won the competition.

Prior to the state championship effort the band also earned a Division I sweepstakes award at the Region 21 marching contest for the 47<sup>th</sup> consecutive year.

"We've enjoyed great success throughout the year," Surratt said. "The band's state championship was certainly one of the highlights."

The LISD also claimed individual state champions in different academic events throughout the year.

"Just about every program at across the board has had great student success," he said.

He also made note of how the 2021-22 school year was different than in the recent past – in a good way.

"It's just been great how we've been able to feel normal on each campus without having to be worried about COVID," he said, referring to the hindrances made necessary from the pandemic. "There's more of a normal school setting at each school, and the parents have been able to return to campus to have lunch with their children."

Surratt also cites good news is in the offing this summer when state-mandated test results are released.

"We did a great job on the STAAR tests and confident the test results will bear this out," he said.

The Lindale ISD, once again, had a robust school year and the superintendent couldn't be happier.

"We've got great support from the community and our parents, we've got skilled and dedicated teachers and staff," Surratt said. "It's a model school district."

## LACC rodeo saddles up

The dust was flying this past weekend at Crossbrand Cowboy Church Arena as the Patterson Ram, Edward Team Realtors Lindale Championship Rodeo presented by the Lindale Area Chamber of Commerce took place once again.

Cowboys as well as Muttin' Bustin' youngsters jumped aboard livestock and entertained crowds beginning Thursday, May 12 through Saturday, May 14.

Thanks to contributions from the event's ticket sponsors there was no admission charge for the three-day event. Ticket sponsors included Cavendar's, Hawley Disposal, Exceptional Emergency Center, Texas Bank and Trust, Petty's Steak and Catfish, Heritage Land Bank, Eagle Pharmacy and Office Barn, chamber officials said.

Muttin Bustin, always an anticipated event, got the action started each night with youngsters trying to hang on to the backs of sheep darting out of the starting gate. Other sponsors for the rodeo included *Lindale News and Times*, the Edwards Team at Century 21, CHRISTUS Trinity Mother Frances; Chick-fil-A, United Ag and Turf, Coca Cola and Southwest Beverages, Schindler Carpet and Floors Design Center, Austin Bank, KNUE 101.5, Ziglar Realty, Altra Federal Credit Union, Brookshire's Grocery Company, Burger King, Cracker Barrel, JK Trucking and Construction, Lindale Veterinary Clinic, Rozell Sprayer Manufacturing Co., Leon's Signs, National Property Inspections, McDonald's, Southside Bank, KLTV and UT Health East Texas.



Photo by Josh Bardwell



Things got wild and wooly for youngsters entered in the Muttin' Bustin' competition at the Patterson Ram, Edward Team Realtors Lindale Championship Rodeo presented by the Lindale Area Chamber of Commerce this past week at Crossbrand Cowboy Church Arena.

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# OPINION/COMMENTARY

## Gary Borders Capital Highlights



### Early runoff voting ends Friday

Early voting in the May 24 primary runoff elections ends Friday, May 20. Under state law, voters who cast ballots in either party's primary election must vote only in the same party's runoff election. Voters who did not cast ballots in the primary may vote in either party's runoff election.

Topping the runoff ballots are runoff elections for attorney general. Incumbent Republican Ken Paxton faces George P. Bush, the current land commissioner. On the Democratic side, former Galveston mayor Joe Jaworski faces Rochelle Garza, a Brownsville civil rights attorney.

There are also statewide runoff races for lieutenant governor, land commissioner, comptroller and railroad commissioner, as well as several congressional seats and spots on the state board of education. See the full list of runoff races at: <https://tinyurl.com/43bfz9v6>.

### ERCOT urges Texans to conserve power

After six power generation plants went offline Friday during the start to an unseasonably hot weekend, the Electric Reliability Council of Texas urged Texans to conserve power, the Austin American-Statesman reported.

As temperatures soared into the 90s and even 100s in some parts of the state, residents were urged to set thermostats to 78 degrees or higher and avoid using large appliances such as dishwashers, washers and dryers between 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. The hot weather is sparking record electricity demand across the state.

### And it's only May

Abbott's use of COVID funds on border mission probed. The inspector general for the U.S. Treasury Department has opened a review into how the state spent federal COVID-19 aid funds, with approximately \$1 billion in relief funds shifted to the crackdown on the Texas-Mexico border, the Washington Post reported. The aid was intended to help local governments pay front-line COVID-19 workers, purchase protective equipment and for other public health costs.

Richard K. Delmar, the deputy inspector general, issued a statement citing his office's mandate "for monitoring and oversight of the distribution" of the stimulus spending, which Texas received under a federal initiative known as the Coronavirus Relief Fund, the Post reported.

## THE ECONOMIST

### Double Whammy!

By Dr. M. Ray Perryman

Things are tough for anyone trying to purchase a house, with a double whammy of rising prices and increasing interest rates. Inventories are very low, and supply chain issues and labor shortages continue to complicate construction.

The past couple of years have seen median sales prices of existing homes jump by close to \$100,000 in many Texas markets. Costs of existing homes had been rising fairly steadily for almost a decade before the pandemic.

As COVID-19 increased remote work options and the need for additional space in homes for work and school, many people started looking to buy. Stimulus packages increased available cash, further fueling demand, while monetary policy moves to stabilize the economy pushed interest rates to historic lows. The result was a steep increase in housing prices as demand far outstripped supply.

Over the past few months, typical mortgage rates have jumped from less than 3% to well over 5%, quite modest by historical standards (they were higher from the 1960s through late 2009), but substantially above recent experience. Although the Federal Reserve doesn't directly control mortgage rates, tightening policy by reducing security purchases and raising the federal funds rate target generally signals other rates to rise. There is little doubt that Fed action is necessitated by inflation, but it also assures that borrowers will face higher costs.

Although there are many factors involved in individual loans, the change in mortgage rates is clearly affecting Texas homebuyers. For every percentage point the interest rate rises, monthly payments jump about \$60 per \$100,000 in loan value on a 30-year note. In the Austin area, for example, where the median sales price in March was over \$520,000, the two percentage point increase we've seen since the beginning of the year means well over \$500 per month added to the payment (with 10% down on a 30-year note).

Among the hardest hit groups are first-time buyers and those looking in lower price ranges. When prices for everything from food to gasoline are also rising, higher costs for housing are even more difficult for many to navigate. Housing values further translate to incremental property taxes and insurance costs, which affects even those who aren't currently buying. Rents have increased sharply as well.

Construction challenges and price increases for essential inputs will keep new homes pricey and discourage building lower-cost residences which typically provide smaller profit margins. Interest rates will likely continue to rise as the Fed battles inflation, and there are notable near-term headwinds. There are early signs that the market may be calming down to some degree as people give up or are "priced out" of the market, but unfortunately, it's unclear that relief is coming any time soon. Stay safe!

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## The Best of Suzanne Bardwell



rassed, and you will be, but if you can laugh at yourself nothing can really overwhelm you.

Be realistic, but optimistic. That will give rocket fuel to your ambitions.

Don't be territorial, share the praise and be the heart of every team you are on whether it is a sports team, a fundraising effort, or professionally at the top of your chosen field.

Finally, be kind and compassionate. Do not be gullible, but do be kind. Kindness is often the only gift we have to offer others day in and day out.

If I could wave my magic wand over each of you and give you fairy godmother graduation gifts I would give you: insatiable intellectual curiosity, perseverance in the face of adversity, a sense of wonder so that life remains fresh and new,

AND the knowledge that you are a gift to this weary world with the potential of changing it for the better. Now, go do just that!

May God bless the Class of 2022!

### Bard's Top Ten College Tips\*

(hardcore research proven, and I have the thesis and the stats to do just that!)

10. Register early so that you get the classes & professors that you want. (If you are going to a mega-university go to the earliest orientation.) Bonus: if you end up with a crummy adviser connect with professors or grad students who can point you in the right direction.

9. Schedule classes so that like classes are not close together not number or word classes back to back. For example: MWF-English/ Chemistry/Psychology; T-Th-Statistics/ Speech. (Bonus tip: take at least 15 hours per semester, if you have to drop a class you will still have a minimum of 12 college hours to maintain full-time status. Also, watch out dropping a 4-hour class, must have 12 hours to maintain full time status necessary for financial aid and scholarships.)

8. Create a study schedule that actually accounts for all the time you are awake so that you clearly see how you are spending your time. Then use it wisely. Depending on your intellectual ability procrastination will cause either failure, physical illness or emotional breakdown-sometimes all three. (You guys have one or two truly challenging classes in high school, in the fall you will have 4-5 in one semester.)

7. USE the SQ3R textbook reading method and make sure that you have done all assigned reading BEFORE going to class:

~Survey: read the chapter intro, headings, subheadings & summary (that's your map, you wouldn't drive to Disney-World by just heading east=know where you are supposed to end up and have a plan to get there.

\* turn the first heading into a question

\* read to answer the question

\* recite the answer IN YOUR OWN WORDS (if you can do that you understand it)

~when you get to the end of the reading assignment review, make sure you can still answer the question.

Bonus: You paid for those textbooks, USE them. Even if you can get by without doing the reading you are cheating yourself intellectually and in the future.

6. Use Listen/Think/Write in lecture classes. A lecturer can only talk at 100 words a minute. You (yes, you!) can think (on average) at 400 words a minute. (Bonus: Do NOT skip class. It ticks off most professors and frankly you have to be present to win!)

5. Read over lecture notes from the previous class session immediately before going to class. This gives context and meaning to what you are hearing.

4. Read notes immediately after lecture classes and add omissions before you forget.

3. Sit at front of classes and focus on what is being said not how (or the cutie next to you).

2. Get study buddies (who know what is going on) and STUDY!

1. Get help AS SOON AS YOU KNOW YOU ARE IN TROUBLE. (ALWAYS turn in assignments. In college it is almost impossible to pass if you skip even one assignment.)

REMEMBER: Ultimately YOU are the ONLY teacher you ever truly have. You choose to learn or not.

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# Go West: Don't blink or you'll miss it

Rusty Mitchum  
Life & Times



I was fillin' my Jeep with gas the other day when I noticed a car parked out toward the street. It not only was filled with junk, but some of it was spillin' out the windows.

Beside it stood a man who I guessed to be about my age and he was lookin' all around. About that time he looked over at me, smiled and headed my way.

Have you ever seen the old TV show "Taxi?" You remember Reverend Jim? Well, this guy looked just like him. I thought to myself, "Great. This guy's gonna hit me up for some money."

He walked up and spoke.

"Hey, man. Can you help me, man?" he said.

Remember I said he looked like Reverend Jim? Well, he sounded just like Tommy Chong of Cheech and Chong.

"Listen, man," he said. "Do you know where Dallas is, man?"

I looked at him, smiled, and answered. "Yes I do."

"Oh great, man. Yeah, I'm headed to Dallas, man and I got turned around. Can you point me in the right direction, man?"

"You bet. When you leave, take a left on the highway there," I said as I pointed. "Stay on that road for a few miles and you'll come to Interstate 20. Take a left on 20 and head west and in about an hour, take the highway 80 exit and stay on 80, and in a half hour or so, you'll run into Dallas."

He looked at me with an inquisitive face. "West?"

"Yeah, west."

"Huh? What if I head East, man. I like to take the road less traveled. Could I also get there that way, man?"

"Eventually," I said, "but it's a lot farther."

"Really? How much farther, man?"

I looked up in thought. "About 25,000 miles farther," I said.

"25,000 miles? That's pretty far, man. I'm supposed to be in at a meeting in Dallas tomorrow, man. I might not make it on time. Plus that would probably take a lot more gas, man."

"Not to mention you'll have to cross a couple of oceans and possibly a few mountain ranges," I said.

"Mountain ranges? I wouldn't mind seeing some mountains, man, but I don't want to be crossing no oceans. I get seasick, man."

About this time I started lookin' around to see if I might be on one of those TV shows where they pull pranks on people. I looked for hidden cameras, people watchin' us, and stuff like that. I couldn't see anything out of the ordinary.

"Hey, man. I got a map, man. Could you show me where Dallas is on the map, man?"

"You bet," I said. While he went back to his car, I finished fillin' up the Jeep. I was puttin' the nozzle up just as he got back.

"Here you go, man," and he handed me the map. "Just point it out, man."

I looked at the map. "This is a map of New Mexico," I said.

"Yeah, man. It's the only map I have."

"Dallas isn't in New Mexico," I explained. "It's in Texas."

"Oh! Well, that's good to know, man."

"Where were you when you started your trip to Dallas?" I asked.

"Colorado, man," he answered.

"I see," I said and then thinkin' to myself, "Well, that explains a lot."

"Yeah, man. I spent the night last night in Fort Worth, man."

"You spent the night in Fort Worth?"

"Yeah, man. A guy told me to head east and I'd come to Dallas. That's why I thought I needed to keep heading east, man."

"Were you on Interstate 30?"

"Yeah, man! How did you know?"

"Lucky guess," I said. "You drove through Dallas on your way here."

"I did? Wow, man. I must have missed it, man."

"Looks like it," I replied.

"Well, I better get going, man. Tell me again how to get there."

"Sure. When you leave here, take a left on that highway there. Stay on that road for a few miles and you'll come to Interstate 20. Take a left on 20 and head west and in about an hour, take the highway 80 exit and stay on 80, and in a half hour or so, you'll run into Dallas."

"Great. Thanks, man. I really appreciate it, man," he said and walked back to his car.

When he opened his door a couple of papers flew out and he chased them down and then returned to his car. He climbed in, looked over at me, smiled, waved, and slowly made his way to the highway.

After he stopped, he looked both ways, turned right and took off in the opposite direction which I said.

I'd be willin' to bet, he might have been a little late for his meetin'.

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# Air is indeed rare up there

Terry Cannon  
Editor



It would be my guess that among the wonderful, faithful readers of our gazette very few have taken a ride in a hot air balloon.

Also, it would stand to reason that not many have done it twice.

Jumping into a basket tethered to a large swath of nylon filled with hot air wouldn't seem to be too "high" on anyone's must-do list.

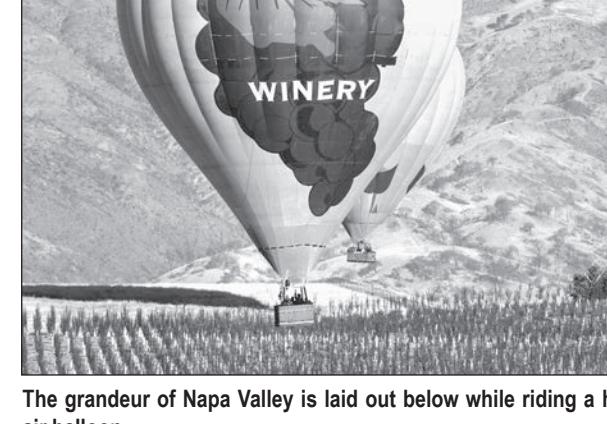
Well, your faithful correspondent here has probably twice as much experience with this endeavor as most folks in East Texas.

In 2004, I soared above Napa Valley, Calif., and a couple of years later I repeated the experience outside – (or is it above?) -- Albuquerque, N.M.

Thanks to the time I spent as travel editor of another publication hereabouts, I was afforded the opportunity to see many wonderful places across this beautiful country of ours.

Actually, the newspaper didn't send me on those trips, they were courtesy of Geiger and Associates, a public relations firm based in Tallahassee, Fla.

The folks at Geiger contacted me not long after getting that travel editor gig and we formed a great relationship. Geiger represents more than 200 places across the U.S. and about three times a year Geiger sent an itinerary of



The grandeur of Napa Valley is laid out below while riding a hot air balloon.

an upcoming trip.

Among the places I was able to visit were Ogden, Utah (the coldest winter and most snow I've ever experienced), Nashville (my favorite city outside Texas), Chattanooga, Tenn., Freeport, Maine and Fairfax, Va.

While visiting Chattanooga, we took a side trip to the Ocoee River in Georgia for some whitewater rafting.

This was another one of those things I was eager to try and it turned out to be some of the most fun I've ever had.

This particular river hosted the 1996 Olympic whitewater slalom events and while we weren't

going to rise to that level of expertise, our little group did enjoy a thrilling, wet and unforgettable ride.

Then there were the trips to Healdsburg, Calif., and the aforementioned Albuquerque.

Healdsburg was to be my first visit to the wine country of California so I wanted to make sure I also experienced some out-of-the-ordinary things. In addition to visiting several vineyards and wineries, some of us signed up for a hot air balloon ride.

One unique thing about hot air ballooning is you must climb aboard your craft early in the morning because the cooler temperatures and

calm winds are conducive to safely getting off the ground.

So it was dark when our group of 12 arrived. Workers were busy firing up our crafts, literally. A burner fills the craft with hot air so it will rise.

Once airborne, the pilot manipulates the burner to get the balloon to the proper height as well as keeping the flight smooth.

The sensation of the balloon's slow ascension is remarkable and in a few minutes you've reached your maximum altitude.

The panorama before you is spectacular. In California, our pilot guided us over Napa Valley, simply one of the most beautiful places on earth. Acres and acres of vineyards were stretched out below us, covered in a fine morning mist.

In New Mexico, the landscape changed from gorgeous green to rusty, sun baked desert, but still breathtaking. As we rose in the desert air, our pilot pointed to a craggy looking spot in the distance – Alamogordo, the site of the world's first atomic bomb test in July, 1945.

In October, the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta returns with hundreds of balloons taking off from Balloon Fiesta Park. The site of so many balloons rising to the clouds is amazing.

It makes your spirits soar as well.

## Times of Lindale



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### ONE YEAR AGO, May 20, 2021

Cody Johnson, a 2013 graduate of Lindale High School and law student at the University of Texas at Austin, along with teammate Sarah Propst won top honors at the American Intellectual Property Law Association's 2020-21 National Giles S. Rich Moot Court Competition, publicity officials said.

Johnson is the son of Jon and Kim Johnson and brother of Matthew Johnson.

The team won one of the five regional competitions and then beat out nine other regional champions and runners-up to take the national honors.

The Giles S. Rich Moot Court Competition is the oldest and most prestigious moot court competition in the field of intellectual property and the only national competition specifically directed to the area of patent law. The competition is divided into five regional competitions followed by a national competition among the top two teams from each region.

### FIVE YEARS AGO, May 18, 2017

Maintaining its steady march in the plus column, Lindale's sales tax percentage registered a 6.38 percent increase from this same period in 2016, according to

figures released by Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar's office.

Only three Smith County cities – Arp, Troup and Whitehouse – showed negative percentages when compared to collections from April 2016.

Lindale's sales for the period totaled \$1,222,805.50 compared to \$1,149,449.04 from 2016.

New Chapel Hill's 43.5 percent increase led county entities, while Arp's 20.7 percent decrease was the lowest.

Tyler's revenue was 2.87 percent higher than a year ago.

Across the state, cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts will receive \$787.8 million in local sales tax allocations for May, 2.6 percent more than in May 2016.

### 10 YEARS AGO, May 17, 2012

Ginger Sims won re-election to the Lindale City Council for Place 2 by defeating local businessman John Drobly with 74.7 percent of the vote to 25.2 in the city elections, which also saw Lindale voters approving a new city charter.

Clyde Harper, Place 3, ran unopposed while Mayor Robert Nelson also ran unopposed.

With the passage of the charter, Lindale voters ensured the city would operate under a city manager/council form of government. The charter was also altered to provide for term limits for council members, who would be limited to four consecutive terms in office or eight years.

## Tips on the right way to cut your grass

By Greg Grant  
Smith County Horticulturist

I may be one of the few folks that enjoy mowing the lawn.

Mowing is perhaps the most common cultural practice performed in most landscapes. When performed properly, mowing is used to maintain a particular turfgrass height and appearance that supports a specific use and aesthetic.

It is important to remember that while turfgrasses evolved to tolerate mowing, this practice is still a stress that has the potential to compromise overall turfgrass health and vigor.

Therefore, it is important to take steps to adopt appropriate mowing practices that support the health of the grass.

Two factors determine the appropriate height of cut for any lawn: the species of grass and the use of the area. A general guideline for mowing heights here is 2 inches for bermudagrass, centipede, and zoysia, and 3 inches for St. Augustine.

It is important not to mow too low as taller blades produce more food and deeper roots which in turn leads to more drought tolerance, more shade tolerance, more wear tolerance, less erosion, and better water infiltration.

As a rule of thumb, no more than one-third of the grass should be removed at any one time.

For example, if your intended mowing height is 2 inches, then you would need to mow before the blades exceed 3 inches in order not to "scalp" the turf. Appropriate mowing frequency is determined by the rate of growth. Several factors, including temperature, precipitation, light, and nutrient management impact the rate of turfgrass growth throughout the year.

Remember that supplemental nitrogen, though generally

beneficial to turfgrass growth, will encourage faster growth that may not be appropriate for areas that will be mowed less frequently.

Nitrogen applications should, therefore, be partially determined by management capabilities and even cost this year due to sky high prices. During peak periods of growth for warm-season grasses, more frequent mowing (sometimes twice a week) may be required to prevent turfgrass scalping.

Scalping is the excessive removal of leaf growth from lawns resulting in injury to the grass. It is important to remember that plants require adequate leaf tissue for photosynthesis and energy production (all leaves are solar panels after all).

Excessive removal of leaf tissue through scalping can be detrimental to turfgrass health, as it limits the plant's ability to produce adequate energy to sustain growth.

When turfgrass is mowed too infrequently, scalping is more likely to occur. When lawns become unavoidably overgrown, consider gradually lowering the height of the grass over time to prevent the removal of more than one-third total height in a single mowing.

It is beneficial to mulch or recycle turfgrass clippings generated from mowing. Turfgrass clippings are generally 2-4 percent nitrogen and, when recycled back into the lawn, can reduce the need for supplemental nitrogen fertilizer by up to half.

Mowed clippings should be evenly dispersed across a lawn. Avoid creating rows or piles of clippings, as this can damage underlying turf by restricting sunlight and water.

Also, remember to always keep lawn mower blades sharp to avoid "split ends" and a discolored turf.

I got a new blade last weekend!

For more information, see "Mowing Recommendations for Warm-Season Grasses" under publications on the Aggie Turf website (aggieturf.tamu.edu).

## U.S. Marshals, FBI warn citizens about scammers posting as law enforcement

The U.S. Marshals and the FBI are alerting the public of several nationwide impostor scams involving individuals claiming to be U.S. marshals, court officers, or other law enforcement officials, said spokesperson Davilyn Walston.

Officials are urging people to report the calls their local FBI office and file a consumer complaint with the Federal Trade Commission, which has the ability to detect patterns of fraud from the information collected and share that data with law enforcement.

During the latest series of calls, scammers identifying themselves as "Deputy John Garrison" (the name of the actual U.S. Marshal in the Eastern District of Texas) attempt to collect a fine in lieu of arrest due to a claim of identity theft, failing to report for jury duty, or other offenses.

They then tell victims they can avoid arrest by withdrawing cash and transferring it to the government, purchasing a prepaid debit card such as a Green Dot card or gift card and read the card number over the phone to satisfy the fine, or by depositing cash into bitcoin ATMs.

Scammers use many tactics to sound and appear credible. In many instances, scammers provide information like badge numbers, names of actual law enforcement officials and federal judges, along with courthouse addresses. They may also spoof their phone numbers to appear on caller IDs as if they

are calling from a government agency or the court when they actually are not.

If you believe you were a victim of such a scam, you are encouraged to report the incident to your local FBI office and to the FTC.

Additionally, the Department of Justice launched the National Elder Fraud Hotline, which provides services to seniors who may be victims of financial fraud.

Case managers assist callers with reporting the suspected fraud to relevant agencies and by providing resources and referrals to other appropriate services as needed.

The hotline's toll-free number is 833-FRAUD-11 (833-372-8311).

Things to remember:

- U.S. MARSHALS WILL NEVER ask for credit/debit card/gift card numbers, wire transfers, or bank routing numbers, or to make bitcoin deposits for any purpose.

- NEVER divulge personal or financial information to unknown callers.

- Report scam phone calls to your local FBI office and to the FTC.

- You can remain anonymous when you report.

- Authenticate the call by calling the clerk of the court's office of the U.S. District Court in your area and verify the court order given by the caller. Additional information about the U.S. Marshals Service can be found at <http://www.usmarshals.gov>

## Trail ride for St. Jude's planned for Saturday

A trail ride benefiting St. Jude's Children Research Hospital is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 21 at FM 849 and Toll Road 49 and follow the signs, publicity officials announced.

Fees are \$25 per horse and will cover 2.5 miles. Proof current negative Coggins required and all horses must be able to cross shallow water. No wagons, no teams or carts allowed. No motorized craft or carts allowed. No alcohol will be permitted.

Gates open at 8 a.m. with the guide presentation beginning at 9 a.m.

For more information call Ralph Page at 903-520-3754 or Cody Wells 903-714-4100.

St. Jude's is a pediatric treatment and research facility treating children's catastrophic diseases and is based in Memphis, Tenn. Thanks to donations, patients and families are not charged for treatments.

## Lindale's Casey Poe wins gold at state track meet

Lindale High School sophomore Casey Poe led the way for his school at the UIL Class 4A State Track and Field Championships this past week in Austin by winning a gold medal in the shot put with an effort of 57 feet, 4 1/4 inches in the boys shot put.

LHS was well represented in both the boys and girls divisions as Colter

Maya took a silver medal in the boys 400-meter dash with a time of 48.57, Isaac Pollard was fifth in the boys pole vault with an effort of 14 feet, Brett Maya was sixth in the boys 200-meter dash with a time of 21.73, Baylee Daughtry finished seventh in the girls 300-meter hurdles with a time of 46.60.

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1115 Lake Cross Rd  
Lindale, TX 75771  
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**Friday, May 06, 2022**

Officer Ramsey responded to a public service at 100 block Legends Ct, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Ramsey responded to a welfare concern at 3500 block S Main St, unfounded. Sgt Dworaczyk responded to a suspicious circumstance at 3200 block S Main St, settled at scene. Cpt Chambers and Sgt Dworaczyk responded to an accident at 552 W I-20, report taken. Cpt Chambers responded to an accident at 556 E I-20, report taken. Officer Capps responded to a suspicious circumstance at 17500 block CR 4112, settled at scene. Officer Leevey responded to a suspicious vehicle at 13800 block Hwy 69 N, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officer Capps responded to an accident at 18200 block Hwy 69 N, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officer Capps responded to an assist smith county at 800 block Stewart St, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officer Capps responded to an assist smith county at 900 block Stewart St, report taken.

**Saturday, May 7, 2022**

Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Philpot responded to a stolen vehicle at 556 E I-20, unable to locate. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Philpot responded to an accident at 600 block E Hubbard St, report taken. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Philpot responded to a public service at 1100 block Woodlands Park Dr, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officers Leevey and Capps responded to a burglary at 700 block Elizabeth St, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officer Capps responded to a public service at 200 block Perryman Rd, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officer Capps responded to a verbal disturbance at 100 block Mallory St, settled at scene. Officer Leevey responded to a suspicious vehicle at 100 block E Centennial Blvd, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officer Capps responded to an assist smith county at 900 block Stewart St, settled at scene. Officer Leevey responded to a suspicious vehicle at 13400 block I-20, settled at scene. Officer Leevey responded to a welfare concern at 17000 block W I-20, unable to locate. Officer Capps responded to a suspicious circumstance at 200 block Clara St, unfounded.

**Sunday, May 8, 2022**

Officer Allen responded to a suspicious circumstance at 1500 block S Main St, settled at scene. Officer Allen and Officer Jackquet responded to a suspicious circumstance at 100 block E Centennial Blvd, settled at scene. Officer Jackquet responded to an accident at 556 E I-20, settled at scene. Officer Allen responded to a suspicious person at 100 block E Van St, unfounded. Officer Allen and Officer Jackquet responded to a suspicious person at 400 block Hamrick St, arrest made. Officer Allen responded to a business alarm at 400 block S Main St, false alarm. Officer



Allen and Officer Jackquet responded to a disturbance at 100 block Mallory St, settled at scene. Officer Allen responded to a suspicious circumstance at 200 block Cannery Row, settled at scene. Officer Allen responded to a welfare concern at 13800 block Hwy 69 N, settled at scene. Officer Allen responded to a suspicious circumstance at 100 block Cannery Row, settled at scene. Officer Shurley and Officer Wells responded to a loitering at 3500 block S Main St, unfounded. Officer Shurley responded to an accident at 13800 block Hwy 69 N, settled at scene. Officer Shurley and Officer Wells responded to a welfare concern at 200 block Summer Tree Cir, settled at scene.

**Monday, May 9, 2022**

Officer Wedgeworth responded to a public service at 100 block Ballard Dr, settled at scene. Cpt Chambers and Officers Allen, Dailey and Jackquet responded to an assist other agency at 3300 block S Main St, settled at scene. Officer Allen responded to a stolen property at 14000 block FM 849, settled at scene. Officer Shurley and Officer Wells responded to a peace officer warrant at 200 block Jeffries St, report taken. Cpt Chambers and Officers Wells, Shurley, Allen and Jackquet responded to a recovered stolen vehicle at 3500 block S Main St, arrest made.

**Tuesday, May 10, 2022**

Officer Jackquet responded to a welfare concern at 500 block Sunset Dr, settled at scene. Officer Allen and Officer Jackquet responded to a disturbance at 100 block E Centennial Blvd, settled at scene. Officer Allen and Officer Jackquet responded to a business alarm at 500 block S Main St, false alarm. Officer Jackquet responded to a loud noise complaint at 600 block E Hubbard St, settled at scene. Officer Allen and Officer Jackquet responded to a business alarm at 400 block W Hubbard St, false alarm. Officer Wells responded to an assist smith county at 13400 block CR 411, unfounded. Officer Wells responded to a business alarm at 2800 block S Main St, false alarm.

**Wednesday, May 11, 2022**

Officer Philpot responded to a suspicious vehicle at 100 block E Centennial Blvd, settled at scene. Sgt Lazarine responded to a public service at 400 block Noah Ln, settled at scene. Sgt Lazarine, Sgt Dworaczyk and Officers Philpot and Ramsey responded to a recovered stolen vehicle at 3500 block S Main St, arrest made. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Capps responded to a civil matter at 100 block Ballard Dr, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officer Mumey responded to a hit and run at 100 block Ballard Dr, report taken. Officer Leevey and Officer Mumey responded to a suspicious vehicle at 21200 block Hwy 69 N, settled at scene. Officer Capps responded to a business alarm at 13800 block Hwy 69 N, false alarm. Officer Leevey and Officer Mumey responded to an accident at 554 W I-20, report taken. Officer Leevey responded to a business alarm at 17900 block Hwy 69 N, false alarm.

**Thursday, May 12, 2022**

Officer Philpot and Officer Ramsey responded to an accident at 2200 block S Main St, report taken. Officer Ramsey responded to a suspicious person at 2500 block S Main St, settled at scene. Officer Ramsey responded to a found property at 200 block Cannery Row, report taken. Sgt Dworaczyk responded to a public service at 100 block Ballard Dr, settled at scene. Officer Philpot responded to an accident at 700 block N Main St, unfounded. Officer Philpot and Officer Ramsey responded to a welfare concern at 1100 block Woodlands Park Dr, settled at scene. Sgt Flores and Officer Ramsey responded to a public service at 3500 block S Main St, settled at scene. Officer Philpot responded to a public service at 500 block S Main St, settled at sc4ene. Officer Ramsey and Officer Capps responded to a welfare concern at 17000 block W I-20, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk responded to an assist smith county at 556 E I-20, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Capps responded to a welfare concern at 100 block Hamrick St, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officers Gillham and Mumey responded to a hit and run at 554 E I-20, report taken. Officer Capps responded to a suspicious vehicle at 21200 block Hwy 69 N, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officers Gillham and Mumey responded to a failure to identify at 900 block S Main St, arrest made. Officer Leevey and Officers Gillham and Mumey responded to a suspicious circumstance at 552 E I-20, settled at scene. Officer Gillham and Officers Capps and Mumey responded to an assist smith county at 900 block Stewart St, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officers Gillham and Mumey responded to an attempt to serve at 13300 block CR 472, settled at scene.

## Lindale man jailed on violation of bond, protective order

Several jail bookings were reported this past week from Smith County law enforcement agencies, including one involving a Lindale resident.

Smith County Sheriff's deputies arrested Andre Tyrl Horne, 37, of Lindale on Friday, May 6 on a warrant of violating a bond/protective order two or more times within 12 months.

Horne was taken to the county jail with a \$75,000 bond.

On Tuesday, May 10 Lindale Police arrested Colby Elkins Tompkins, 23, of Chandler, on charges of unauthorized use of a vehicle, possession of less than 2 ounces of marijuana and possession of between 4 and 200 grams of a controlled substance along with warrants of indecency with child sexual contact and parole violation.

Tompkins was taken to Smith County Jail on bonds totaling \$535,500.

**SMITH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Deputies on Sunday, May 8 arrested Kiuntis Denark Williams, 39, of Heartland, on charges of assault causes bodily injury of a family member, interfere

with emergency request for assistance and deadly conduct. Williams was taken to jail on bonds totaling \$60,000.

Deputies on Saturday, May 7 arrested Erick Alexander Barrera, 27, of Tyler, on charges of assault family/household member impede breath/circulation and interfere with emergency request for assistance. Barrera was released from Smith County Jail on bonds totaling \$15,000.

Deputies on Monday arrested Craivone Meleek Gladney, 21, of Willis Point, on a warrant of possession of between 1 and 4 grams of a controlled substance. Gladney remained Monday afternoon in Smith County Jail on a \$50,000 bond.

Deputies on Friday arrested Russell Deyrion Hampton, 23, of Tyler, on warrants of manufacturing or delivery of between 4 and 200 grams of a controlled substance, possession of between 1 and 4 grams of a controlled substance and possession of between 4 ounces and 5 pounds of marijuana. Hampton remained Monday in Smith County Jail on bonds totaling \$675,000.

Deputies on Friday arrested Jeffery Lee Hornbuckle, 34, of Arp, on a warrant of theft of service between \$2,500 and \$30,000. Hornbuckle remained Monday in Smith County Jail on a \$100,000 bond.

Deputies on Friday arrested Jason Robert Mack, 44, of Overton, on a warrant of unlawful possession of a firearm by felon. Mack remained Monday in Smith County Jail on a \$20,000 bond.

Deputies on Friday arrested Kevin Patrick McCusker, 51, of Irving, on a warrant of possession of between 1 and 4 grams of a controlled substance. McCusker remained Monday in Smith County Jail on a \$25,000 bond.

Deputies on Sunday arrested Luis Manuel Monreal, 33, of Longview, on a charge of assault family/household member impede breath/circulation. Monreal was released Monday from

Smith County Jail on a \$10,000 bond.

Deputies on Sunday arrested Donnell Nickerson, Jr., 38, of Longview, on charges of driving while intoxicated second, unlawful carrying of a weapon with felony conviction and possession of between 4 and 200 grams of a controlled substance. Nickerson remained Monday in Smith County Jail on bonds totaling \$40,000.

Deputies on Friday arrested Troy Tullis Swinney, 49, of Troup, on a warrant of possession of less than 1 gram of a controlled substance. Swinney remained Monday in Smith County Jail on a \$200,000 bond.

Deputies on Sunday arrested Malachi Washington, 18, of Waxahachie, on a charge of possession of between 4 ounces and 5 pounds of marijuana. Washington was released the same day from Smith County Jail on a \$500,000 bond.

Officers on Monday arrested Jovany Alexander Gaspar, 21, of Tyler, on a warrant of aggravated sexual assault of a child. Gaspar remained Monday afternoon in Smith County Jail on a \$150,000 bond.

a \$10,000 bond.

**TYLER POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Officers on Sunday

arrested Kristopher Morgan Blakeman, 41, of Tyler, on

two counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and a charge of discharge firearm in certain municipalities. Blakeman was released the same day from Smith County Jail on bonds totaling \$60,000.

Officers on Friday arrested

Travion Evans, 24, of Tyler, on a warrant of assault

family/household member

impede breath/circulation.

Evans was released Saturday

from Smith County Jail on a \$50,000 bond.

Officers on Monday arrested

Jovany Alexander Gaspar, 21, of Tyler, on a warrant of aggravated sexual

assault of a child. Gaspar

remained Monday afternoon in Smith County Jail on a \$500,000 bond.

Officers on Sunday arrested

Jacques Jones, 19, of Tyler, on a charge

of aggravated assault with

a deadly weapon. Jones

remained Monday in Smith County Jail on a \$10,000 bond.

Officers on Saturday arrested Kirby Don McKnight, 55, of Tyler, on a charge of violate bond/protective order. McKnight remained Monday in Smith County Jail on a \$20,000 bond.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

Troopers on Friday arrested Brian Lee Hitt, 48, of Tyler, on a charge of driving while intoxicated third or more. Hitt was released the same day from Smith County Jail on a \$25,000 bond.

Troopers on Saturday arrested Kevin Gerard Black, 60, of Tyler, on a warrant of assault causes bodily injury family member. Black remained Monday in Smith County Jail on a \$25,000 bond.

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Kevin Gerard Black, 60, of Tyler, on a warrant

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# Lindale Masons award scholarships to two LHS seniors

Two, \$1,000 scholarships have been awarded to Lindale High School seniors recently by the Freemasons with Lindale Lodge No. 848, said Robert Hilliard of the lodge.

Brooklyn Gilleland and Rex Day, both received \$1,000 scholarships.

Gilleland plans to attend the University of Texas at Tyler in the fall and major in speech therapy.

Day is planning on attending Texas Tech University in Lubbock and major in computer engineering and robotics.

Hilliard said these scholarships were made available following a raffle held by the Lodge earlier this year. Contributors to the scholarship fund included all five Smith County Constables, the Tyler office of the Texas



Rex Day and his grandmother display his \$1,000 Masons scholarship. (Courtesy photo)

Department of Public Safety, Smith County Sheriff Larry Smith and members of Lodge No. 848.

The Lodge is planning to award these scholarships during the next five years for LHS seniors. Funds for these scholarships are made

possible by Lodge members and the Texas Masonic Charity Foundation.

Scholarship committee members Mike Murphy, Larry Gilley and Ken Kennedy were instrumental in making the program a success, Hilliard said.



Presenting Brooklyn Gilleland with her \$1,000 scholarship are Masons, from left, Mike Murphy, Larry Gilley and Ken Kennedy. (Courtesy photo)



## At state golf tournament

Lindale High School's Kenzie McClenney competed in the Class 4A Girls State Golf Tournament this week which was held at Legends Golf Course in Kingsland. She earned a berth in the state tourney by finishing fifth in the Region II tournament held in late April at the Van Zandt Country Club in Canton. She fired a two-day total of 158 (78-80) to earn a state berth. Bullard High School and Canton High School also qualified for state. (Courtesy photo)



## Signs with Hendrix College

Lindale High School tennis standout Taegan Terry, son of Kim and Joe Bob Terry of Lindale, has signed to play for Hendrix College in Conway, Ark. Terry was also a standout on the LHS basketball team. Family, friends and teammates were on hand at the LHS Cafeteria on Tuesday, May 10 for the ceremony. (Photo by Terry Cannon)

## Helpful tips to manage blood pressure

**By Claudann Jones**  
**Smith County Extension Agent**  
**Family and Community Health**



this "silent killer."

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service is recognizing May as National High Blood Pressure Awareness Month and provides tips on how to manage

hypertensive crisis. They are as follows:

-- Normal Systolic: Less than 120 mm Hg Diastolic: Less than 80 mm Hg

-- Elevated Systolic: 120 -129 mm Hg Diastolic: Less than 80 mm Hg

--High Blood Systolic: 130-139 mm Hg or Diastolic: 80-89 mm Hg

Pressure Stage 1

--High Blood Systolic: 140 mm Hg or higher or Diastolic: 90 mm Hg or higher

Pressure Stage 2

--Hypertensive Systolic: Higher than 180 mm Hg and/or Diastolic: Higher than 120 mm Hg

While it is possible for individuals of all ages to have high blood pressure, there are certain risk factors that can increase the chances of having hypertension. Certain risk factors are uncontrollable, such as genetics, age, and ethnicity.

Controllable risk factors are those that we can play a role in and include eating an unhealthy diet, physical inactivity, obesity, overconsumption of alcohol, and tobacco use.

It is vital to understand our risk of high blood pressure as individuals with high blood pressure are at a greater risk of developing conditions associated with the heart, including heart failure and heart attack, as well as stroke, chronic kidney disease, and type 2 diabetes.

There are steps that individuals can take to help prevent or reduce our risk of high blood pressure such as:

- getting sufficient sleep
- limiting alcohol consumption
- eliminating smoking
- keeping weight in a healthy range
- incorporating physical activity at least 150 minutes weekly

• eating healthy well-balanced meals incorporating different food groups such as vegetables, fruits, grains, dairy, and protein

For more information about Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Family and Community Health programs, contact the Smith County Extension Agent for Family and Community Health at 903-590-2980 or email at cmjones@ag.tamu.edu.

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**Notice of Virtual Public Meeting**  
**Texas Department of Transportation**  
Available for Viewing on Wednesday, May 25, 2022 by 4 PM  
2023 - 2026 Rural Transportation Improvement Program  
Tyler District

TxDOT will be conducting a virtual public meeting for the proposed 2023-2026 Rural Transportation Improvement Program (Rural TIP) for the TxDOT Tyler District. **The virtual public meeting pre-recorded presentation will be available for viewing on Wednesday, May 25, 2022 by 4 PM.** This virtual meeting format (no in-person meeting) includes a pre-recorded video presentation and comment opportunity. To view the pre-recorded video presentation and meeting materials, please visit [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov) and **Search:** Tyler District Rural TIP. The presentation will include both audio and visual components.

The purpose of this virtual public meeting is to receive comments on the proposed projects of the 2023-2026 Rural TIP for the Tyler TxDOT District. The Tyler District includes Anderson, Cherokee, Gregg, Henderson, Rusk, Smith, Van Zandt, and Wood counties. The Rural TIP includes all regionally significant projects to be funded within a TxDOT District during the next four years, including those eligible for funding. As such, these meetings offer the public an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed priorities. A project in the Rural TIP is a project coming to your community. The Rural TIP is the first step on the road to producing a Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

The 2023-2026 Rural TIP meetings are being held pursuant to *Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, Section 16.102*, which calls for an opportunity for public comment concerning the program. Presentation materials will show how the Rural TIP operates along with associated/prioritized projects.

Comments must be postmarked or otherwise received by Monday, June 6, 2022 to: Texas Department of Transportation, Tyler District, Attn: Rural TIP, 2709 W. Front Street, Tyler, Texas 75702; by email to [Amy.Downey@txdot.gov](mailto:Amy.Downey@txdot.gov), with Attention: 2023-2026 Rural TIP Comment in the subject line; or by submitting your comments online at [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov) (**Search:** Tyler District Rural TIP).

If you do not have internet access or have general questions regarding the proposed projects or the virtual public meeting, please contact Amy Downey, Project Management Specialist, at (903) 510-9101 or [Amy.Downey@txdot.gov](mailto:Amy.Downey@txdot.gov).

**Special accommodations:** The virtual public meeting will be conducted in English. If you need an interpreter or document translator because English is not your primary language or you have difficulty communicating effectively in English, one will be provided to you. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. If you need interpretation or translation services or you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend and participate in the virtual public meeting, please contact the project team at (903) 510-9101 no later than 4 p.m. CT, Friday, May 20, 2022. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for the Texas Department of Transportation to arrange.

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## LEGAL NOTICES

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of LONIE VALERIA SANDERS, Deceased, were issued to JAMES D. SANDERS on January 9, 2017, in Cause No. 41,884-P in the County Court of Smith County, Texas. All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present them within the time and manner prescribed by law.

Claims may be presented to

JAMES D. SANDERS c/o LEONARD C. CRAIG,  
305 S. Broadway, Suite 503, Tyler, Texas 75702.

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### TO: ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS IN THE ESTATE OF DONALD CECIL LOVE, DECEASED:

On the 5th day of May, 2022, CAROLYN JEAN DAVIS filed an APPLICATION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP in a proceeding styled IN THE ESTATE OF DONALD CECIL LOVE, DECEASED and bearing the number 45505P in the County Court of Smith County, Texas.

The Court will hear the aforesaid APPLICATION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP on the Monday next after the expiration of ten (10) days from the date of publication of this citation, in the County Court Courthouse Annex of Smith County, in Tyler, Texas.

All persons interested in the aforesaid Estate are commanded to appear at or before the time set for said hearing by filing a written contest or answer to said Application.

Said written contest or answer shall be filed in the office of the County Clerk of Smith County, Texas in Tyler, Texas.

In compliance with the law, this citation shall be served by publication once in a newspaper of general circulation in this, the County in which such proceeding is pending, not less than ten (10) days before the return date hereof, exclusive of the day of publication, and the date of publication said newspaper bears shall be the day of publication.

If this citation is not served within ninety (90) days after the date of issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of office, the 5th day of May, 2022, at the office in Tyler, Texas.

KAREN PHILLIPS, COUNTY CLERK  
Smith County, Texas  
By: Katherine Beard, Deputy Clerk

### Notice to Creditors

Letters Testamentary for the Estate of James Paul Williamson, Deceased, were issued on 5/11/22 to Kelly Williamson in Cause No. 46327P, by the County Court of Smith County, Texas. All persons having claims against this Estate currently being administered are required to present them to Kelly Williamson, c/o Richard Patteson, Attorney at Law, 218 N. Broadway, Ste.304, Tyler, Texas 75702 within the time and manner prescribed by law.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Independent Administration for the Estate of John Ray Sitton, Deceased, were issued on April 28, 2022, in Cause No. 45,784P, pending in the County Court of Smith County, Texas, to: DEBORAH CHRISTINE SITTON.

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