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Lindale readies for bye week; Bi-district game Friday, Nov. 11th

By Terry Cannon
Editor

Even though the schedule shows this Friday as an off week for the Lindale Eagles, there will still be a lot of activity for players and coaches as they prepare for the bi-district playoffs on Nov. 11.

Lindale will take on Vidor, second place team from District 10-4A, in Merrill-Green Stadium in Bryan at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 11.

Bi-District Playoffs
Lindale vs. Vidor, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 11
Bryan's Merrill-Green Stadium

This past Friday, the Eagles whipped Jacksonville, 43-28, on a stormy and soggy night in Jacksonville, in a game that was delayed for more than an hour after halftime due to lightning.

"I was very proud of how our kids handled it," said Lindale Head Coach Chris Cochran about the weather conditions and the delay. "This group really cares and it showed in all the distractions we had."

Jacksonville came into the game with a slight chance of making the playoffs, providing they defeated Lindale. The Fightin' Indians gave the Eagles all they wanted.

"They really battled," Cochran said of Jacksonville. "It was obvious they showed up to win the game. We just couldn't put them away."

Eventually, Lindale's defense proved to be the difference.

"I was really proud of our defensive line," he said. "They made (Jacksonville) into a one-dimensional offense by taking away their running game."

Ryan McCown was 18 of 22 through the air for 277 yards and four touchdowns, including two to Devin McCuin.

Once again, Lindale junior quarterback Clint Thurman led the Eagles' offense, tossing three touchdown passes and rushing for 179 yards on 21 carries.

Patrick Daniels rushed 12 times for 113 yards and helped the Eagles' attack accumulate more than 440 yards for the night.

The wet conditions forced Thurman to attempt just seven passes on the night. He completed four of those, with all four coming before intermission and three of those for touchdowns.

For the Eagles' defense, Ryan Stanton totaled nine tackles, Jake Curbow had seven and Wyatt Parker had six.

On the year, Thurman has passed for 1,521 yards on 111-of-199 attempts and 18 touchdowns. He's rushed for 1,218 yards on 164 carries and 13 touchdowns.

On Friday, the Eagles jumped out to an 8-0 lead on a 29-yard scoring pass from Thurman to Ethan Moriarty and a two-point conversion from Will Hutchens.

Jacksonville quarterback Ryan McCown, who was 18-of-22 for 277 yards and a touchdown, led the Fightin' Indians downfield before connecting on a nine-yard score.

Thurman's second TD pass of the game – a 23-yarder to Marcus Field – padded the Lindale lead to 15-7 after Seth Baggett's point after.

With just over a minute left in the first half, Thurman connected with Daniels on a 13-yard scoring pass to give the Eagles a 22-14 lead at intermission.

Halfway through the third period, Wyatt Parker ran in from eight yards out to pad the Lindale lead to 29-14 and in the first minute of the fourth, Parker scored again, this time from 11 yards out to increase the Eagle advantage to 36-21.



The 2022 Lindale High School tennis team members show off their medals and trophy. The Eagles advanced to the state tournament for the first time in team history.

(Courtesy photo)

Lindale tennis team looks for repeat of state title run

By Terry Cannon
Editor

For the first time in school history, the Lindale High School tennis team earned a berth in the state quarterfinals and while that is a notable accomplishment, Head Coach Randall Namanny is looking for bigger and better things in 2023.

The Eagles were ousted this past week by eventual champion Canyon Randall from Amarillo, but Namanny, who just completed his ninth season at the helm of the program, feels his squad should be primed for another run in 2023.

"We're going to reload for next year," he said. "Our senior group this year was big, but there are some kids coming up who pushed this year's seniors throughout the season."

"They are well-prepared to step into starring roles," he said.

Lindale cruised through District 14-4A action enroute to the state tournament. The Eagles, ranked No. 4 in the state most of the season, moved into bi-district and clobbered Farmersville, 19-0 in the first round.

Sulphur Springs was next and Lindale disposed of the Wildcats 10-1 in the Area round.

Lindale's first big test of the tournament came against No. 5-ranked Kaufman in the Regional Quarterfinals, but the Eagles had little trouble with the Lions, winning 10-0.

Things got a bit tougher in the Regional Semifinals as the Eagles defeated Anna, 10-4.

This victory punched Lindale's ticket to the Regional Finals, held at the Arlington Tennis Center on Oct. 21 against Wills Point.

The Eagles again dominated their competition, shutting out the Tigers, 10-0, for Lindale's fifth match win in a row.

Even though the Eagles were successful, Namanny acknowledged his team had such confidence in their ability that moving through first district followed by the state playoffs wasn't really much of a surprise.

"It was one of those things that we knew from the beginning we were going to be as good or better than last year," the coach said. "Overall, the veteran influence of our team helped push us the whole season."

The 2021 team advanced to the regional finals before bowing out. Lindale tested Randall at the state tournament, but Namanny noted that his team pushed the

eventual champs to the limit.

"There were a lot of close matches," he said. "We dropped three set tiebreakers in doubles and by that time the momentum had shifted. But our kids fought their tails off. We are very proud of the effort."

Namanny, a Lindale native and former Eagle player, is excited about the future of the sport at the high school and the prospects for the future.

"Our tennis culture in Lindale is great," he said. "I can't wait to do it again."

LHS TEAM TENNIS MEMBERS

BOYS		GIRLS	
Emilio Rodriguez	Jr.	Bailee Lane	Sr.
Hayden Harry	Jr.	Breanna Taylor	So.
Soren Petersen	Sr.	Taegan Michel	Sr.
Sylas Dutton	Sr.	Zoe Bozick	Jr.
Ian Wishart	Sr.	Reeci Morgan	Sr.
Ryan Darden	Sr.	Nicole Hines	Jr.
Kalvin Dryman	So.	Bailey Thorn	Sr.
Jayson Stewart	So.	Kinley Vent	So.
Jason Herrington	Sr.	Aaralyn Nilson	Jr.
Caleb Sullivan	So.	Fiona Turney	Jr.
Dillon Steck	Jr.	Brooklyn Cornejo	Fr.
Saul Ramirez	Sr.		

Commissioners OK policy changes for Smith County Animal Shelter

Smith County Commissioners on Tuesday (Oct. 25) approved policy changes to the county's animal control shelter following a presentation by Amber Greene, director of the facility.

Changes include new operating hours – 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Friday and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturdays and the dropping off of strays from 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday.

Additionally, there will be a

\$75 fee for adoptions which will include a voucher for spay and neutering and vaccinations.

Fees will be assessed on a case-by-case basis and adoptions in the kennel area will be from 12 noon-6 p.m., Monday-Friday as well as 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday.

Owner surrenders will be predicated on available space and by appointment only, Greene said.

County Judge Nathaniel Moran stressed that the county shelter is just for unincorporated areas and that cities within the county have their own shelters.

Prior to the vote, each of the commissioners stressed the importance of the public's responsibility in keeping stray pet numbers in check.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Neal Franklin noted that while there's a need to have an updated facil-

ity, animal owners should bear a large portion of the responsibility.

Winona man dies in mobile home fire

A mobile home fire that resulted in the death of an elderly man in Winona on Monday morning is under investigation by the Smith County Fire Marshal's office, said County Public Information Officer Casey Murphy.

The fire was reported at approximately 5:20 a.m. in the 10700 block of County Road 3168 in Winona. Deputy Fire Marshal Chad Hogue said fire departments from Winona, Red Springs, New Chapel Hill and Jackson Heights responded to the fire. Hogue added the victim's name has not been released and the cause of the fire remains under investigation.

"We need to make sure owners are making sure their pets

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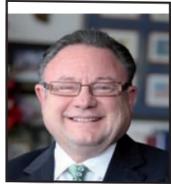
OPINION/COMMENTARY

THE ECONOMIST

By Dr. M. Ray Perryman

Making the Grade

Recently released test scores show that Texas public schools fared better than many through the pandemic, though ground was clearly lost. In a recent column, I examined scores from the National Center for Education Statistics which indicate the declines in averages at a national level; now, we have the state level data.



First, the good news. Texas scores for the most part were not statistically different from national averages. Our students did a little better in some areas (fourth grade math and eighth grade science) and a tad worse in others (eighth grade reading). Compared to other states with large populations, Texas scored notably better than California in several areas, with some better and some worse when compared to Florida, New York, and Georgia. Another good signal in the data is that the gaps between scores for White students and Black or Hispanic students, while substantial, are significantly smaller in Texas than in most areas, meaning that positive results are occurring across racial/ethnic groups (which is not the case in some states). Performance wasn't uniquely tied to spending per pupil, although resources are very important.

One challenge for Texas is the high proportion of students who are identified as English language learners. While bilingual (English and Spanish) test booklets are offered for the mathematics assessment, they are not permitted in the reading test. Over 26% of Texas students in grade 4 and 21% in grade 8 were in the English learner category. By comparison, in Massachusetts (a top scoring reading state), only 13% of fourth graders and 7% of eighth graders are English learners.

Now, the bad news. As with every other state, Texas scores were lower than they were in 2019, especially in math. Given the disruptions of the pandemic, this result is hardly surprising. Math can be a particularly difficult subject for students to grasp without in-class explanations, and virtual environments simply don't work as well. The losses wiped away years of progress in improving scores. In addition, the percentages of students meeting higher standards ("proficient" or "advanced" rather than "basic") would ideally be higher to ensure students are prepared for their future lives and the work they will be doing. Knowledge workers are key to sustainable growth.

Texas teachers, administrators, and other school personnel have worked diligently to keep students from losing as much ground as some parts of the country. COVID-19 was a tragic setback of epic proportions, with vestiges that will no doubt linger for decades. These dedicated educators need our support, including ensuring that they have the financial resources required to lead our students to reach their full potential. Their future depends on it, as does that of the entire state. Onward! Stay safe!

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Do your homework...

What if the world ran like Facebook? Or a television reality show?

Maybe it already does. The question is should we do something about it? I vote a resounding YES! (And that sounds frightening in and of itself.)

This week's television episode of "The Orville" (yes, it is somewhat silly and doesn't always work on many levels) had a wallop of a message. In sci-fi you have the leeway to send cultural messages while (hopefully) entertaining. This one hit home. And a personal sore spot.

The episode went like this: the crew of the spaceship Orville encountered an earth-like planet whose government is completely based on a public opinion voting system to determine law and punishment. In other words, a complete democracy (of opinion).

Citizens could vote up or down arrows...much like Facebook's "Likes" and everyone had access to public videos because of smartphone cameras. It's beginning to hit awfully close to home isn't it?

Well, friends and neighbors there is a lot of truth behind this episode. And, it isn't just kids brutalizing each other through Facebook or Instagram or twitter. Adults do it too. And as a result the national, state and local political forum devolves into "he said", "she said".

Our culture has (d)evolved into opinion based rather than fact based.

And that is fine if we are talking about music or art, but policy and the legal code? Not so much.

Let me clearly state, right away that I am a science geek, a sci-fi lover and an all around nerd. Also, let me clearly state that I taught high school journalism for 19 years and history for 30 years. There was overlap on those 19 years, so NO! heck no! I am not THAT old. I have a bachelor of science degree in Broad Field Social Studies with minors in English and Science. I also have a master of science degree in American History with a Science minor. That is a lot of training in facts.

Now, let me be completely transparent, I am also a press card carrying co-owner of a community newspaper who cares deeply about governmental transparency at all levels,

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The Best of Suzanne Bardwell



protection of press rights because it is protection of citizen rights, and freedom from limited access to most information.

But let's get to the heart of the matter. "We the People..." as a majority just aren't that interested in doing the work to be informed. Whether it is ensuring we understand the amendments we are voting on for the Texas Constitution or ensuring we understand fully where politicians stand on matters of global to personal impact. And we often personally embrace politicians who wave their religious beliefs like a banner that covers all their political sins. Most of us, just don't want to do the work necessary to be informed.

Spoiler alert: what someone says they believe and how they govern don't always match up.

History fact brush up: the United States of America is a Republic with a limited democracy. (For some very good reasons which even a silly television show can illustrate.)

So what can we do? We educate ourselves on candidates, issues, events, policy and long term impact. And that education must be based on facts, backgrounding and context. We have to care enough to put the work in. You might be surprised to discover that what you believe to be true is based on image, emotion and rhetoric, not fact.

No kidding. I confess that recently I have discovered that myself about a political figure I admired.

And that scares me because I thought I had the facts. It also inspires me to dig deeper when looking at candidates, issues, promises and policies.

Thank God the Founding Fathers worked out that combination of Republic and limited democracy. They had a pretty good grasp of human nature.

Let's see what we can do to keep this great Republic going for another 241 years. And that means we are going to have to do our homework.

Report card: Texas students lag in math

Like students across the country, students in Texas are struggling to recover from learning losses stemming from the pandemic, particularly in math, the Nation's Report Card indicates. Officially called the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), the test is administered in reading and math for a sample of students in 4th and 8th grade roughly every two years, according to the Texas Education Agency.

The bright side appears to be that students in Texas showed more progress than most in their academic recovery, TEA reported. Reading scores for Texas students are not statistically different than in 2019, the last time the test was administered — and before the pandemic struck. However, math scores are significantly lower than they were in 2019.

"Results from the 2022 Nation's Report Card highlight the hard work of Texas teachers and students. While we are largely recovering from the effects of the pandemic in reading, much work remains in math," said Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath.

Statewide veterans' hiring event

Texas veterans, service members and their spouses are invited to participate in this year's Hiring Red, White & You! statewide hiring event, which began Nov. 1 and runs through Nov. 18 with in-person and virtual events across the state.

Hosted by the Texas Workforce Commission, along with workforce development boards and other agencies, the hiring fair connects veterans, transitioning service members and spouses with Texas employers seeking their skills and experience. The state is home to more than 1.7 million veterans and current military members.

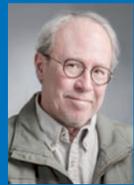
Employers who hire veterans could be eligible for a tax credit of up to \$9,600. The event in the past 10 years has worked with more than 20,000 employers, connected more than 144,000 job seekers to job opportunities, and helped facilitate 3,198 same-day hires.

The events are free. Job seekers can find more details at texas.gov/hiring-red-white-you.

Agriculture significant economic driver

While the state's large cities are experiencing considerable population growth, agriculture continues to be a big part of the Texas economy. Farming and ranching operations can be found in every part of the state — citrus crops in the Rio Grande Valley, cotton in the High Plains, rice paddies in the Coastal Plains, cattle ranches in West Texas and timber in East Texas.

Gary Borders Capital Highlights



The state comptroller's office reported nearly \$25 billion in cash receipts in 2021 from the Texas agricultural industry, the fourth-highest among all states — trailing only California, Iowa and Nebraska. The U.S. Department of Agriculture reports the state has 247,000 farms (ranches are considered a type of farm), more than double the next two states, Missouri and Iowa.

Cattle represent the state's top ag commodity, with 40.4% of the cash receipts generated. The top three commodities are cattle, dairy and poultry, according to USDA.

Dry weather tempers deer expectations

Dry weather throughout much of the state as deer season approaches is tempering expectations for the general white-tailed deer season, which begins Saturday, Nov. 5.

"A number of hunters and landowners report seeing lots of deer, especially younger deer," said Alan Cain of the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department. "Part of that is a result of good fawn crops the last couple of years, so there's more bucks in those younger age classes relative to bucks in that four- to six-year-old range. As we move into November and closer to the rut, those older bucks should increase movement activities in search of does, hopefully presenting an opportunity for a lucky hunter."

Drought impacts on deer habitats have adversely affected antler quality, Cain added.

COVID-19 cases stay steady

The number of new COVID-19 cases reported by the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University in Texas during the past week stayed steady at 11,667, with 81 new deaths reported. The number of lab-confirmed COVID-19 hospitalizations in Texas, as reported by the Texas Department of State Health Services, was essentially unchanged at 1,042.

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Early voting ends Friday in Smith County

Early voting for the general election ends this Friday, Nov. 4, with the closely watched governor's race pitting incumbent Gov. Greg Abbott against challenger Beto O'Rourke headlining the ballot. A number of other statewide races are on the ballot, including lieutenant governor, attorney general, land commissioner, agriculture commissioner and comptroller.

Voters can find polling places in their county by visiting VoteTexas.gov. Those voting early can visit any location in the county in which they're registered. However, those who choose to vote on Election Day must go to the specific precinct in which they live.

The mid-term election is set for Tuesday, Nov. 8. In Lindale, voters can cast early ballots at the Lindale Masonic Lodge, 200 W. Margaret Street.

Voting hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, Oct. 24-28; 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30; and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, Oct. 31 through Nov. 4.

County voters can cast early ballots at any of the six early voting locations. In addition to the Lindale location, voters can cast ballots at:

- The HUB, 304 E. Ferguson St., Tyler
- Heritage Building, 1900 Bellwood Road, Tyler
- Noonday Community Center, 16662 CR 196, Tyler
- Whitehouse United Methodist Church, 405 W. Main

St., Whitehouse

-- Winona Community Center, 520 Dallas St., Winona
There will be 35 polling locations open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 8. Bond elections are on the ballot for the Smith County Courthouse and Winona Independent School District; a special election for Whitehouse ISD; and races for Overton City Council and Smith County Emergency Services District 2.

There are also statewide and national races on the ballot.

What can't I wear to the polls?

In Texas, a person may not wear apparel or a similar communicative device relating to a candidate, measure, or political party appearing on the ballot in the current election, but a person may wear such apparel relating to a candidate, measure, or political party that does NOT appear on the ballot in the current election.

In other words, if you are wearing a hat, t-shirt, or button relating to a candidate, measure or political party that does not appear on the ballot in the current election, you are not violating Texas law.

However, if you are wearing apparel relating to a candidate, measure, or political party on the ballot, a presiding judge has the ability to enforce the law within the 100-foot marker outside of the polling place entrance. You may be asked to remove or cover up your apparel before entering the building.

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Life's blessings grow from family love

A happy family is but an earlier heaven. -- George Bernard Shaw

A couple of weeks ago, our family gathered in Florida and laid Col. Roger Cannon ("The Silver Eagle"), USAF (Retired) to rest after he lost a valiant battle with pancreatic cancer.

Survivors include his wife Patricia (more on this remarkable woman in a moment), daughter Cheryl and son Charles, or Carlo as we like to call him.

Roger was my oldest brother and patriarch of the family. To say his was an enriched life would be an understatement. As a youngster, he was mature beyond his years which prompted our mother to say, "he was 30 years old when he was born."

Which explains why at the age of 23, he graduated from Southern Methodist University, got married and received his U.S. Air Force commission on the same day.

He had stuff to do and wanted to get to it, so why wait?

With Patricia in hand, the newly-minted 2nd Lieutenant was stationed at Barksdale Air Force Base in Bossier City, La., the first stop on their globe-hopping adventure.

The family moved literally all over the world: Korea, Italy, Germany, the U.S. and back to Korea. In America, stations included Omaha (twice), Colorado, Alabama and his final assignment in Tampa, Fla., where he worked under Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf Jr., leader of the coalition forces in the 1991 Gulf War.

Terry Cannon Editor



All of the above is a lead in to the familiar and factual adage that behind every great man is an even greater woman.

Our dear Patricia is that great woman. Hers is a remarkable story of love and dedication to her family, her country and relentless support of her husband and his career.

She was one of 10 (!) children born in the 1940s to a poor family in a not-so-well-to-do section of Dallas. Unfortunately during those times, destitute families were forced to give up some of their children for adoption. Our little Patricia Pruitt, about six at the time, was handed over to what might be termed a rather wicked stepmother.

"She just wanted me to help her in her beauty shop," Patricia said of her adopted mother. "I don't think she really wanted me at all."

Working in a beauty shop was foretelling because Patricia was, and still is, a

beauty. In fact Roger met her when he was a volunteer the Dallas Emergency Corps, which assisted first responders. The teenage Patricia had just won the "Miss Flame" beauty contest sponsored by the Dallas Fire Department.

(Aside: I remember when I first met her being astonished with how pretty she was, which made her definitely stand out in a band of rather plain looking Cannons.)

Roger and Patricia wanted to marry, but the bad ol' stepmother said no.

Which was the wrong thing to say to my dad.

I vividly recall the night he said to Roger, "We're going to go get her and bring her home."

Perhaps it could have been termed a kidnapping, but our dad didn't care. His son and bride-to-be were hustled back to our house and married a few days later.

It seemed married life loosened up my way-too-serious brother. And why not? He had a wonderful bride, a fine career and the promise of greater things to come.

And much like those B-52s taking off from Barksdale, these Cannons were soaring to new heights. Cheryl was born while they were stationed in Louisiana and Carlo a few years later in Germany while stationed in Italy. He arrived early and

in those days, the future of premature babies was a bit sketchy.

"We just weren't sure if he was going to make it," Patricia said. "He was just so little."

Oh, but did he ever. Thanks to the nurturing hands of his parents and big sister, our Carlo prospered during those early years and just like his sister, became a source of pride for our family.

Fast forward a few years to the mid-1990s and a phone call my mother received asking her if she was Roger Cannon's mother. Mom then was told a remarkable story: The caller was one of Patricia's long lost sisters who had been looking for her baby sibling for decades.

Needless to say, at that family reunion in Florida a few boxes of tissues were used.

Illness and medical issues aside, Patricia and Roger enjoyed a pretty idyllic retirement in Florida. Grandkids Krissy, Megan, Joe, Jack and Ava were joined by great grandkids Alexia and Carter. (And let's not forget all the grand dogs who were always on the receiving end of treats.)

I'm a firm believer that loving families are maintained in a never-ending cycle. Our kids are good parents simply because they have been exposed to good parenting, which they will pass along to the next generation.

Having spent quality time recently with our extended Florida family confirmed my beliefs.

Our dearly departed "Silver Eagle" would certainly agree.

With Rusty, where's there's a will, there's a way

The other day I saw an ol' high school buddy of mine who I hadn't seen in years. We sat around and reminisced for a while then he asked me a question.

"Rusty, what will become of your loved ones after you're gone?"

"I ain't goin' anywhere," I replied.

"No, I mean when you pass on."

"Oh, you mean when I kick the bucket? When I bite the big one? When they deep six me? When....."

"YES!" he interrupted and then smiled. "I'm sorry. I didn't mean to yell. I had forgotten how...how...let's say, how obnoxious you are."

"Thanks," I said. Then I started thinkin', "Wow," I said. "I don't guess I've ever thought of what will happen to Janet and the kids."

"Well, my company has a plan that we can fit for your family needs..."

"Oh!" I interrupted this time. "You're talkin' about insurance. Heck, I got that covered."

Then I started daydreamin' of what it might be like after I'm gone.

"I can't believe he's gone," says my daughter Michelle.

"Yeah, me either," says my son Ray.

"I told him not to be smoking those blasted cigars while he was filling the gas tank on his lawnmower," says my wife Janet.

"You know," says Ray, "I could have sworn I caught a whiff of gasoline at the funeral."

"Yeah," says Janet. "I didn't think I'd ever miss

that smell, but now that he's gone..."

"Oh no," cries Michelle.

"There, there," says Richard, Michelle's husband, as he pats her on the back. "It'll be alright."

"No," says Michelle. "It's not that. You don't think Daddy actually left all his junk for us in the will, do you?"

"That's why we're here in the lawyer's office," says Janet.

"Let us get started," says the lawyer. "I will read the will."

He clears his throat. "I, Rusty Mitchum, being of sound mind..."

My family looks at each other and raises their eyebrows. The lawyer continues.

"...and body, do hereby bequeath the following to my family. To my daughter, Michelle, whom will be referred to hereafter as Gator, I leave my favorite lucky rabbit's foot..."

"Is that the one that doesn't have any hair left on it?" Michelle whispers to Ray.

"Yeah," he answers.

"Wow," she says sarcastically.

The lawyer drones on, "and my compass collection."

"Do you think those are worth any money," she whispers again to Ray.

"Naaa," he says. "Dad only collected cheap stuff. He said he felt sorry for cheap stuff because nobody ever collected it, so he felt it was his duty to right the wrong."

"Great," Michelle says.

"And to my son, Ray, I leave my shrunken head..."

"Good," says Michelle. "I'm glad I didn't get that. It's creepy."

"It's not real," says Ray. Then he looks up in thought, and said, "Well, at least I don't think it's real."

My son-in-law, Richard, speaks up. "You know, if I didn't know better, I'd think this will belonged to Gomez Addams."

"The lawyer continues. "...and the little wooden box that contains my wisdom teeth."

"Wow!" smiles Michelle. "Lucky you. Now you can make that necklace you've always wanted."

Ray sneered at her.

"And to my son-in-law, Richard Baetz..."

"Alright," says Richard, as he's rubbin' his hands together.

"I leave my golf clubs."

"Ha!" says Ray. "Have you seen those golf clubs? The shafts are covered with dirt dauber nests and the heads of the clubs are held on with hose clamps."

"Shut-up," says Richard,

obviously disappointed.

"The lawyer clears his throat again. "And to both of my children, I leave my bear trap collection, my skull collection, and my bird nest collection; to be divided up equally between you."

Ray and Michelle look at each other. "You can have em'," says Ray.

"No, you can have them," says Michelle.

"Mom," whines Ray. "Make her take 'em."

"Y'all hush up," says Janet. "Your father loved that stuff, and he wanted you to have it."

"Look on the bright side," says Michelle, "at least we didn't get his turtle shell collection."

"And, oh yeah..." says the lawyer, squintin' at the Will. "...my turtle shell collection."

"Great," says Michelle

The lawyer goes on and on, readin' what all is left to the kids. Finally he finishes.

"That's all," the lawyer says.

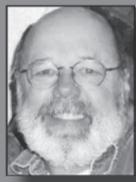
"What do you mean, 'that's all'?" says Michelle.

"Yeah," says Ray. "Do you mean he didn't leave anything to Mom?" They all look at Janet.

She looks up and smiles.

"Who do you think helped him make out his will? Heh, heh."

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ONE YEAR AGO, Nov. 4, 2021

The Lindale High School's "Pride of Lindale" Band earned a back-to-back State title after winning the UIL State Military Marching Band Championship during the state competition at Pine Tree Stadium in Longview.

The Lindale Band also previously received a Division 1 sweepstakes award at the region 21 marching contest for the 47th consecutive year.

This set the stage for the band to compete at the newly-created state event. The band program has been practicing for this competition since July.

"To say that I am proud of these young men and women would be an understatement," said Lindale Band Director, Steven Moore. "Their work ethic and attitude have been exemplary. From day one, they bought into the principles and concepts we were trying to teach and improved each day."

"Congratulations to Mr. Moore, all of the Band Instructors, and the entire Eagle Band for winning the UIL Military Marching State Championship yesterday," said Superintendent, Stan Surratt. "This is a back-to-back State Championship win for our band program. What a great achievement by our Eagles."

FIVE YEARS AGO, Nov. 2, 2017

Three local fishermen brought home second place honors in the 10th annual Texas State Crappie Championship held on Lake Palestine which was held by Crappie Anglers of Texas.

Lindale residents Todd and Langdon Froebe and teammate Clay Gann of Hideaway captured second place in Division I with a two-day stringer weighing 21.84 pounds.

10 YEARS AGO, Nov. 3, 2012

More than \$11,000 was raised on behalf of Trinity Mother Frances Hospital by the Lindale High School National Honor Society after it's "Pink Out" event was held, culminated by the wearing of pink T-shirts during the Lindale-Van football game at Eagle Stadium. "These funds raised will aid in the continuance of breast cancer awareness and educational programs," said Dr. Roger Fowler, Family Medicine, Trinity Mother Frances-Lindale. "It will help provide potentially lifesaving, screening mammograms to the underserved women of East Texas."

Members of the Lindale High School NHS sold pink T-shirts during October with money raised going to the Trinity Mother Frances Foundation.

The festivities began during a pep rally at the high school on the Friday of the Van game. Football team members along with many of their classmates and teachers were wearing the pink shirts.

Before the pep rally began, LHS Principal Donny Williams addressed the crowd.

"We have decided to make this day special to honor the lives of many women who have lost their battle with breast cancer, and to celebrate with those who are survivors," he said. "We wear pink proudly to say we support all the families who are facing the terrible disease right now and to show our support for the many men and women who tirelessly search for a cure."

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Rotary Club Dictionary Project

Lindale Rotary Club members made their annual visit to College Street Elementary School on Tuesday (Oct. 25) and handed out dictionaries to all 3rd grade classes as part of the club's Dictionary Project. Each student received their own dictionary. Velma Penny Elementary School students will receive dictionaries soon. (Courtesy photo)

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OBITUARY

John D. Holey

A memorial service for John David Holey, 60 of Lindale, was held Saturday,

Oct. 29 at the Community Christian Fellowship Church in Lindale with Bro. James Cowart officiating.

He passed away Friday, Oct. 21, 2022. He was born Oct. 5, 1962, in Dallas.



Happy 2nd

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TPWD officials say dry conditions will lead deer to feeders

With dry weather persisting throughout much of the state, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department biologists expect hunters to see deer consistently frequenting feeders during the start of the general white-tailed deer season.

"A number of hunters and landowners report seeing lots of deer, especially younger deer," said Alan Cain, White-Tailed Deer Program Leader for TPWD. "Part of that is a result of good fawn crops the last couple of years so there's more bucks in those younger age classes relative to bucks in that four- to six-year-old range. As we move into November and closer to the rut, those older bucks should increase movement activities in search of does, hopefully presenting an opportunity for a lucky hunter."

Harvest has been light to this point, Cain noted, but that's not unexpected with the warm weather we've had in the first two weeks of October.

Additionally, drought impacts on deer habitats have impacted antler quality heading into October's archery season.

"Overall antler quality is down a bit, but there's still some great bucks being harvested during archery and Managed Lands Deer Program season," said Cain.

For the four counties that remain dedicated to archery-only hunting (Dal-

las, Grayson, Rockwall and Collin), hunters are now required to report all white-tailed deer harvests within 24 hours through the My Harvest Hunt App. Accurate reporting allows agency wildlife biologists to properly study hunting impacts on local herds and develop more hunting opportunities.

The general white-tailed deer season runs Nov. 5 through Jan. 1, 2023 in the North Zone and Jan. 15, 2023 in the South Zone. A special youth-only gun deer season is set in both zones for Oct. 29-30 and Jan. 2-15, 2023. For additional late season deer hunting opportunities, county specific regulations and information on how to properly tag and report a harvest, consult the 2022-23 Outdoor Annual.

Archery hunters are required to purchase an Archery Endorsement in addition to their hunting license. Hunters taking advantage of Texas public hunting lands must have the Annual Public Hunting Permit. Public land hunters should also consult the Public Hunting Lands Map Booklet to review regulations that may apply to specific areas. The My Texas Hunt Harvest app can be used to complete on-site registration electronically at a public hunting area.

Beginning with the 2022-23 license year, Texas residents can purchase a digital Super Combo license (Items 111, 117 and 990) that will authorize digital

tagging of harvested deer, turkey and oversized red drum. The digital license option is available through online purchase only. More information about the digital tag can be found on the TPWD website.

CWD TESTING

TPWD reminds hunters that agency wildlife biologists and animal health officials are collecting and testing Chronic Wasting Disease samples from hunter-harvested deer to get a clearer picture of the prevalence and distribution of the disease across Texas. Proactive monitoring improves the state's response time to CWD detection and can greatly reduce the risk of the disease further spreading to neighboring captive and free-ranging populations.

Hunters in surveillance and containment zones must meet submission requirements of harvested CWD susceptible species. Additionally, hunters outside of established surveillance and containment zones are encouraged to voluntarily submit their harvest for testing at a check station, for free, before heading home from the field. Hunters can find a map of TPWD check stations for all CWD zones on the TPWD website. Hunters can also contact their local biologist to submit a sample.

For more information about CWD, visit the TPWD web site or the TAHC web site.

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Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022

Officer Ramsey responded to a fraud at 100 block Ballard Dr, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Ramsey responded to an assist smith county at 15800 block CR 4137, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Ramsey responded to a public service at 900 block S Main St, settled at scene.

Sunday, Oct. 23, 2022

Lt Lazarine and Officer Shurley responded to a disturbance at 1300 block Robyn Ln, settled at scene. Officer Shurley responded to a hit and run at 3200 block S Main St, report taken. Officer Shurley responded to a public service at 200 block Summer Tree Cir, settled at scene. Officer Wells and Officer Mumej responded to an assault at 100 block E Centennial Blvd, report taken. Officer Wells responded to a suspicious vehicle at 900 block E Hubbard St, settled at scene. Officer Well and Officer Mumej responded to a suspicious circumstance at 400 block W South St, settled at scene. Officer Wells and Officer Mumej responded to a disturbance at 100 block Hudson St, report taken.

Monday, Oct. 24, 2022

Sgt Lazarine responded to a public service at 100 block Ballard Dr, settled at scene. Officer Trombley and Officer Jackquet responded to a hit and run at 500 block S Main St, settled at scene. Sgt Lazarine responded to a public service at 100 block Ballard Dr, settled at scene. Chief Somes and Officers Trombley and Jackquet responded to an accident at 553 W I-20, report taken. Officer Shurley responded to a



stolen vehicle at 1200 block Lindale Summit Dr, unfounded. Officer Shurley and Officers Wells and Mumej responded to a disturbance at 200 block Charles Dr, report taken. Officer Shurley and Officer Wells responded to a disturbance at 200 block Charles Dr, citation issued. Officer Shurley and Officers Wells and Mumej responded to a disturbance at 13800 block Hwy 69 N, settled at scene. Officer Jackquet responded to a suspicious circumstance at 100 block E Hubbard St, settled at scene.

Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2022

Officer Trombley responded to a public service at 200 block Charles Dr, settled at scene. Sgt Lazarine responded to an abandoned vehicle at 556 W I-20, settled at scene. Officer Trombley responded to a public service at 100 block Ballard Dr, settled at scene. Sgt Lazarine, Sgt Houghton, Detective Fortunas and Officers Jackquet and Trombley responded to a disturbance at 200 block Charles Dr, settled at scene. Sgt Lazarine and Officers Trombley and Jackquet responded to an accident at 1200 block S Main St, report taken. Officer Trombley responded to an accident at 500 block S Main St, settled at scene. Officer Shurley and Officers Wells and Mumej responded to a suspicious person at 600 block S Main St, unfounded. Officer Shurley and Officers Wells and Mumej responded to an assist other agency at 100 block Ballard Dr, report taken. Officers Wells and Mumej responded to a public intoxication at 400 block Grace Ave, report taken. Officer Mumej responded to an accident at 13700 block Harvey Rd, settled at scene.

Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2022

Officer Fortunas responded to a public service at 100 block

Ballard Dr, settled at scene. Cpt Chambers responded to a hit and run at 3500 block S Main St, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Ramsey responded to an assist other agency at 3500 block S Main St, settled at scene. Officer Ramsey responded to a public service at 500 block S Main St, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Ramsey responded to a welfare concern at 600 block Abbey Rd, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officers Gillham and Orłowski responded to a verbal disturbance at 15300 block Fm 16 W, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officers Gillham and Orłowski responded to a welfare concern at 17400 block Stacy St, settled at scene. Officer Gillham responded to a suspicious vehicle at 100 block Cannery Row, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officers Gillham and Orłowski responded to a suspicious circumstance at 400 block Grace Ave, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officers Gillham and Orłowski responded to a disturbance at 200 block Summer Tree Cir, settled at scene.

Thursday, Oct. 27, 2022

Officer Ramsey responded to a public service at 300 block Bowers St, settled at scene. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Ramsey responded to a parking violation at 12600 block CR 472, citation issued. Sgt Dworaczyk and Officer Ramsey responded to a business alarm at 100 block E Centennial Blvd, false alarm. Sgt Dworaczyk responded to a welfare concern at 200 block Charles Dr, settled at scene. Officer Ramsey responded to a hit and run at 3500 block S Main St, report taken. Officer Ramsey responded to an accident at 100 block E Van St, report taken. Officer Leevey and Officer Orłowski responded to a suspicious circumstance at 500 block Cornerstone Rd, unfounded. Officer Leevey and Officers Gillham and Orłowski responded to a suspicious circumstance at 300 block N Main St, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officer Orłowski responded to a suspicious person at 13300 block CR 472, settled at scene. Officer Gillham responded to an assist smith county at 13000 block Hwy 110 N, report taken. Officer Leevey and Officer Orłowski responded to a suspicious vehicle at 2400 block S Main St, settled at scene. Officer Leevey and Officers Gillham and Orłowski responded to a warrant service at 300 block S Main St, arrest made. Officer Leevey and Officer Orłowski responded to a business alarm at 500 block S Main St, settled at scene.

Assistant U.S. attorney to lead Justice's election day program

U.S. Attorney Brit Featherston announced that Assistant U.S. Attorney Nathaniel C. Kummerfeld will lead the efforts of his office in connection with the Justice Department's nationwide Election Day Program for the General Election on Nov. 8.

Kummerfeld has been appointed to serve as the District Election Officer (DEO) for the Eastern District of Texas, and in that capacity is responsible for overseeing the District's handling of election day complaints of voting rights concerns, threats of violence to election officials or staff, and election fraud, in consultation with Justice Department Headquarters in Washington.

"Every citizen must be able to vote without interference or discrimination and to have that vote counted in a fair and free election," said Featherston. "Similarly, election officials and staff must be able to serve without being subject to unlawful threats of violence. The Department of Justice will always work tirelessly to protect the integrity of the election process."

The Department of Justice has an important role in deterring and combatting discrimination and intimidation at the polls, threats of violence directed at election officials and poll workers, and

election fraud.

The Department will address these violations wherever they occur. The Department's long-standing Election Day Program furthers these goals and also seeks to ensure public confidence in the electoral process by providing local points of contact within the Department for the public to report possible federal election law violations.

Federal law protects against such crimes as threatening violence against election officials or staff, intimidating or bribing voters, buying and selling votes, impersonating voters, altering vote tallies, stuffing ballot boxes, and marking ballots for voters against their wishes or without their input.

It also contains special protections for the rights of voters, and provides that they can vote free from interference, including intimidation, and other acts designed to prevent or discourage people from voting or voting for the candidate of their choice.

The Voting Rights Act protects the right of voters to mark their own ballot or to be assisted by a person of their choice (where voters need assistance because of disability or inability to read or write in English).

Kummerfeld will be on duty in this District while the polls are open. He can be reached by the public in Tyler at (903) 590-1400; in Beaumont at (409) 839-2538; in Plano at (972) 509-1201; and in Sherman at (903) 868-9454. Please advise the receptionist that your call relates to a voting matter."

In addition, the FBI will have special agents available in each field office and resident agency throughout the country to receive allegations of election fraud and other election abuses on election day. The Dallas FBI field office can be reached by the public at 972-559-5000. The Houston FBI field office can be reached by the public at 713-693-5000. The FBI can be reached by the public in the Eastern District of Texas at the following telephone numbers:

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Complaints about possible violations of the federal voting rights laws can be made directly to the Civil Rights Division in Washington, DC by phone at 800-253-3931 or by complaint form at <https://civilrights.justice.gov/>.

JAIL BOOKINGS

Lindale woman arrested on drug charge

A Lindale resident was one of several suspects jailed this past week by Smith County law agencies, officials announced.

Teresa Rancee Torbert, 48, of Lindale, was arrested by the Smith County Adult Probation Department with possession controlled substance penalty grade 1/1-B less than 1 gram. Torbert was taken to the Smith County Jail on a \$225,000.

In other bookings:

SMITH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Deputies charged Eddy Burgos Torres, 26, of Tyler, with possession marijuana less than 2 ounces and aggravated assault with deadly weapon. Torres was in the Smith County Jail on Monday on bonds totaling \$301,000.

Deputies charged Lyle Djoee Lee, 40, of Kilgore, with possession controlled substance penalty grade 1 less than 1 gram, evading arrest detention, possession marijuana less than 2 ounces, theft property between \$30,000 and \$150,000, prohibited weapon, unlawful possession firearm by felon, unauthorized use of vehicle, and evading arrest detention with vehicle. Lee was in the Smith County Jail on Monday on bonds totaling \$770,000.

Deputies charged Danny Ray Tate, 42, of Tyler, with escape cause bodily injury and assault peace officer/judge. Tate was in the Smith County Jail on Monday without bond.

Deputies charged Jackie Bishop, 64, of Tyler, with possession controlled substance penalty grade 1 less than 1 gram. Bishop was in the Smith County Jail on Sunday on a \$30,000 bond.

Deputies charged Luis Abraham DeLeon, 22, of Tyler, with theft of firearm. DeLeon was in the Smith County Jail on Saturday on a \$100,000 bond.

Deputies charged Joshua Erik Meadows, 37, of Longview, with driving while intoxicated third or more. Meadows was in the Smith County Jail on Friday on a \$150,000 bond.

Deputies charged Rhonda Gaye Rozell, 52, of Tyler, with fraud use/possession identifying information number of items between five and 10 and burglary of building. Rozell was in the Smith County Jail on Sunday on bonds totaling \$75,000.

TYLER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Officers charged Jeremy Jemaine Brown, 36, of Tyler, with possession controlled substance 1/1-B less than 1 gram and exploitation of child/elderly/dis-

abled. Brown was in the Smith County Jail on Monday on bonds totaling \$25,000.

Officers charged Paul David Irby, 48, of Tyler, with aggravated assault with deadly weapon. Irby was in the Smith County Jail on Monday on a \$10,000 bond.

Officers charged John Fernando Guajardo, 35, of Tyler, with fail to identify fugitive intent give false information and possession controlled substance penalty grade 1 between 1 gram and 4 grams. Guajardo was in the Smith County Jail on Friday on bonds totaling \$260,000.

Officers charged Daniel Guzman, 31, of Tyler, with aggravated assault with deadly weapon. Guzman was in the Smith County Jail on Saturday and released Monday on a \$100,000 bond.

Officers charged Robert Fred Sump, 67, of Tyler, with inhalant paraphernalia use/possession to inhale and two counts deadly conduct discharge firearm. Sump was in the Smith County Jail on Sunday and released on Tuesday on bonds totaling \$20,500.

SMITH COUNTY ADULT PROBATION

Officers charged Joanna Lynn Dewald, 47, of Dallas, with driving while intoxicated third or more. Dewald was in the Smith County Jail on Monday on a \$100,000 bond.

Officers charged Cadarius Samuel Caldwell, 25, of Henderson, with three counts of aggravated assault with deadly weapon. Caldwell was in the Smith County Jail on Friday without bond.

Officers charged James Dean Kennedy, 25, of Tyler, with manufacture delivery controlled substance penalty grade 1 between 4 grams and 200 grams. Kennedy was in the Smith County Jail on Friday on a \$50,000 bond.

Officers charged Jonathon Leroy Lawrence, 37, of Big Sandy, with two counts assault peace officer/judge. Lawrence was in the Smith County Jail on Friday on bonds totaling \$300,000.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Troopers charged Omar Bonifacio Bonilla, 21, of Tyler, with aggravated assault against public servant. Bonilla was in the Smith County Jail on Sunday and released the same day on a \$50,000 bond.

Troopers charged Zachary Myreon Denman, 33, of Tyler, with unlawful possession firearm family/house/court order/gang and unlawful carrying weapon. Denman was in the Smith County on Friday on bonds totaling \$57,500.

Tips on winterizing your garden

By **Jolana Damkroger**
Smith County Master Gardener

It is time to think about winterizing or protecting your gardens for this winter. How many of you lost plants during the 10 days of below freezing the February of 2021?

We did not lose a plant or bush which was amazing since some had only been in the ground 10 days.

The most important rule even before thinking what and how to protect your landscape is: what is our hardiness zone? Our hardiness zone is 8b and you will have better luck planting those plants and not the exotic ones you saw on your trip south.

If you do not know about the plants you wish to plant there are many web sites online to help you or just ask your favorite nursery person.

Cold tolerance at the beginning of the season helps plants resist the cold later. In other words, the roller coaster of temperatures or freezes for two hours in the morning may help preserve your plants.

Let's talk about cold protection for in ground plants that cannot be dug up or too big to move.

One of the first things to do is mulch your plants with 3-5 inches of leaves, pine straw or professional bagged mulch. This deep mulch will help insulate the soil and maintain moisture. If you use leaves know that they may add nutrients to the soil as they decompose.

If the forecast says that temperatures will go into the 10-20's give your woody plants a deep drink of water. The next thing to do is cover your plantings.

This means all the way to the ground to hold the ground heat.

You need to use a permeable landscape cloth as it will allow the light in. Green coverings hold the heat better for ground plants while white holds the heat better for trees.

To keep the coverings in place for ground plants you will need to use landscape pins. Both the cloths and pins can be obtained at a local nursery or big box store.

For smaller plants that are isolated use cloches (glass is best but plastic is fine).

Recently Master Gardener Elizabeth Waldrop gave an informational program on preparing for a big freeze. She demonstrated coverings you can build to cover your plants. You may contact Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office at 903-590-2994 for her workshop information.

We were lucky last year as the snow was a further layer of warmth for our plants. Hopefully we will not experience that weather again but if we do remember KISS (Keep It Simple Stupid).

Waldrop's suggestions include:

- Make a strategy for what needs to be protected;
- Make different plans for different plants;
- Move plants that you can or cover immobile ones
- Adapt and deploy

Hopefully this winter will be milder but if not, you should be prepared!

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

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Important 9-4A clash looms Friday night

With one week left in the District 9-4A season, the playoff teams are set but one large question remains: Which team will capture the league title and the No. 1 seed going into the bi-district round in two weeks?

Kilgore, 5-0, will host Chapel Hill, 5-0, this Friday for the top spot in 9-4A.

Lindale, which virtually wrapped up the No. 3 seed two weeks ago by defeating Palestine, will be the No. 3 seed after topping Jacksonville last Friday, 43-28 and Palestine, by virtue of its narrow, 37-35 win over Henderson this past Friday, is in at No. 4.

Kilgore had its bye week this past Friday.

A strong band of thunderstorms that rumbled through East Texas late last week played havoc with the schedule as Chapel Hill's game with Athens had to move to Friday afternoon to avoid the drenching rain.

Meanwhile in Jacksonville, its game with Lindale was delayed after halftime for more than an hour.

For Chapel Hill against Athens, the Bulldogs built a 21-7 lead after one period, expanded that to 28-7 by the middle of the second and took a 28-14 lead into the halftime dressing room.

With just over five minutes left in the third, Chapel Hill added another score to up its advantage to 35-14 and a minute later had a 42-14 margin.

Chapel Hill sophomore quarterback Demetrius Brisbane Jr. was on target again for the Bulldogs, completing 14 of 21 passes for three touchdowns. Freshman Malik Gee came into the game in the second half and came through with 15 completions on 23 attempts.

Sophomore running back Rickey Stewart rushed 15 times for 141 yards and two touchdowns.

District 9-4A's playoff teams will face off against District 10-4A, which is currently led by Lumberton at 4-0, followed by Vidor at 3-1, Little Cyprus-Mauriceville at 2-2 and Livingston, also 2-2.

Lumberton blasted Little Cyprus-Mauriceville, 41-7, last Friday. Vidor downed Hargrave, 48-34 and Livingston belted Splendora, 58-6.

If these 10-4A standings hold, Lindale would play Vidor (in a bi-district rematch from two years ago) and Palestine would take on Lumberton.

The loser of this week's Chapel Hill-Kilgore game would take on Little Cyprus-Mauriceville, while the winner would play Livingston.



Addison Ridge



Reagan Cates



Tatum Woodard



Maddox Lay

Lady Eagles sweep Athens in final regular season match

The Lindale Lady Eagles varsity volleyball team swept the Athens Hornets at home Tuesday (Oct. 25) night for their final match of the regular season in three straight sets: 25-7, 25-13, and 25-8.

Reagan Cates led the attack for the Lady Eagles with 12 kills. Maddox Lay recorded 6 kills/ 5 digs, Addison Ridge put down 4 kills, 3 aces, and 5 digs, and Brooke Tweedell had 3 kills and 3 blocks.

Libero, Reagan Hope contributed 7 digs defensively for the Eagles. Anna Ivy recorded 15 assists and Tatum

Woodard had 9 assists. Playoff information will be released soon for next week's first round matchup.

Lindale's Junior Varsity won in two sets 25-19 and 25-14. Kady Spears and Addison Frazier led the attack with 5 kills apiece. Alyssa Potts added 4 kills, 3 blocks, and 3 aces.

Maddy Fowble added 2 kills, and a block on the night. Setter, Izzy Koonce also had 2 kills and tallied 10 assists, and Setter Clara Helvey added 7 assists and 1 ace. Libero, Callie Schmidt had 9 digs defensively for the Lady Eagles. Junior Varsity took first place

with one loss to Van on the season.

The Freshman Lady Eagles also won in two sets with scores of 25-22 and 25-21. Kenley Collins contributed 7 kills and 2 aces, and Macy Hodde also put down 7 kills, and added 1 ace, and 7 assists. Lauren Stanton recorded 5 kills and 2 aces, and Ava Meier contributed 2 kills. Setter, Abigail Warrington recorded 6 assists.

Bayleigh Yarbrough and Addilyn Bills were strong defensively with 7 and 5 digs respectively.

The Freshman Lady Eagles took 2nd place for the season.

Lindale Junior High girls defeat Mabank in volleyball, win district

All four Lindale Junior High School Lady Eagles volleyball teams secured the district championship this season and on Monday (Oct. 24) night, the 7th grade A and B teams as well as the 8th grade A and B teams defeated Mabank.

For the 7th grade B team, the Lady Eagles defeated the Lady Panthers, 25-9 and 25-17; the 7th grade A team won, 25-7 and 25-21; the 8th grade B team defeated Mabank, 25-22 and 25-8 and the 8th grade A team claimed a 25-11 and 25-12 victory.

The 7th grade B team's overall record was 12-0; the 7th grade A team's season record was 13-0; the 8th grade

B team's record was 12-0 and the 8th grade A team's record was 12-1.

The leading server for the 7th grade B team was Jesse Chandler and the leading passer was Joclyn Grogan. Preslie Roberts and Audrie McPherson were leading setters and Jazmin Castaneda was the leading hitter.

For the 7th grade A team, Kenlee Keith was the leading server, Makynli Zemer was the leading setter, Zaidyn Chamberland was the leading passer and Kenlee Keith and Evie Provo were the leading hitters.

For the 8th grade B team, Cambry Andreason was the leading server, Caydence Thompson was the lead-

ing passer, Ma'Kaylin Smith was the leading hitter, Brooke Gissell was the leading blocker and Caydence Thompson and Brooke Lewis were leading setters.

McKenzie Johnson won the Leadership Award and Kyndal Thurmon won the Hustle Award.

For the 8th grade A team, Grace Koustoubardis and Tessa Dennis were leading servers, Kennedy Terry was the leading passer, Grace Koustoubardis was the leading setter, Elle Hutchens was the leading hitter and leading blocker and Emma Watkins won the Hustle Award. Tessa Dennis won the Leadership Award.

Smith County honors longtime employees

By Casey Murphy
Smith County Public
Information Officer

Several employees were honored during Commissioners Court on Tuesday, Oct. 25, for their years of service to Smith County.

ShaVonda Mass has worked for the County for 15 years.

County Court-at-Law 2 Judge Taylor Heaton said she was already working for the Court when he came into office in 2019. He said she trained him instead of him training her.

"I like to think of her as our family law ninja," Heaton said, adding that he considered her the very best employee in the County, adding she has a reputation for being patient and kind to anyone who comes through their court, he added.

"What we do professionally affects others very personally," Heaton said, adding that people are in their court often on the worst day of their lives.

Heaton said Mass is a team player, is patient and encouraging, is pure of heart and is a joy to work with.

Mass said she knew that she wanted to work in an office since high school. She earned her Associates Degree in Criminal Justice at Tyler Junior College and started working part-time in the County Clerk's Office as a Clerk in the Criminal Misdemeanor Department in 2007.

She became full-time that same year, and eventually became the Clerk for County Court-at-Law 2 for now retired Judge Randall Rogers.

She became the Court Coordinator for Civil and Family Law for Rogers in 2014, and she has been there ever since.

"I would say the thing I have enjoyed the most while working here at Smith County is working with a bunch of nice people," Mass said. "Seeing people smile and having good attitudes always helps."

Smith County Judicial Compliance/Collections Director Sheryl Keel was recognized for 15 years of service to the County.

She started working as a collections clerk in 2007 and became the director a couple of years later. Keel and three employees enforce the court-ordered fines and fees as directed by the judges.

"I love my job," she said. "It's challenging and rewarding every day. I absolutely have a great team. Without them this department wouldn't be the same."

Smith County Judge Nathaniel Moran said Keel does her job sternly but also with compassion. He said it is tough to find someone who can balance those two things but Keel does. He said she gets the job done with patience, grace and courage every day.

Smith County Sheriff's Office Civil Deputy Tim Thompson was also honored for 15 years of service, but he has worked



ShaVonda Mass was honored recently for her 15 years of service to Smith County and County Court-at-Law Judge Taylor Heaton, right. (Courtesy Photo)

for Smith County for much longer.

Thompson began his career at the Sheriff's Office as a dispatcher in 1989 and was promoted to patrol deputy in 1992.

He resigned in 1994, to work in the private sector but continued to work as a reserve deputy for 13 years. Thompson returned to full-time employment with the Sheriff's Office in 2007 and is one of two civil deputies who serve civil papers.

"I have enjoyed working with a great group of supervisors and deputies over the years that I have worn the uniform of the Sheriff's Office and being able to serve the citizens of Smith County," Thompson said.

Sheriff Larry Smith said Thompson "does an outstanding job."

He said without the civil deputies serving papers, we couldn't have courts. He also noted that Thompson has been a volunteer firefighter for as long as he has known him, which has been about 20 years.

Precinct 4 Deputy Constable Cody Deaver was recognized for 10 years of service.

Precinct 4 Constable Josh Joplin said Deaver is a fantastic employee who works the night shift in his precinct.

Deaver graduated from Wills Point High School before serving in the U.S. Air Force for six years. He went to work for the Sheriff's Office in 2012 and started at the Constable's Office in October 2021.

"He is phenomenal when working with people," Joplin said, adding that he always is ready to get them the help they need. "I am proud of your service."

Other Smith County employees celebrating work anniversaries this month include:

20 Years: Ronnie Rathbun, District Attorney's Office

15 Years: Raymond Crum, Road and Bridge Department

10 Years: Ofelia Ramirez, Adult Probation

5 Years: Mike Lovil, Matthew Pool and Cheyenne Rosenberg, Sheriff's Office

Texas beekeepers experience below average production

By Adam Russell

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Texas honey production was expected to be below average this season due to the lack of soil moisture and extreme heat across the state, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service expert.

Molly Keck, AgriLife Extension entomologist and Beekeeping 101 instructor, Bexar County, said major wildflower bloom periods in parts of the state were stunted by the lack of soil moisture and forage for bees, coupled with the early arrival of extreme heat.

Studies have shown bee foraging activity reduces when temperatures hit 100 degrees, Keck said. The low volume of available nectar-producing plants and inefficient foraging ability due to high temperatures resulted in poor honey production.

Keck said this season's low production was likely compounded by Texas beehives' long-term recovery from Winter Storm Uri in February 2021 followed by severe drought.

"Some parts of the state received rain at the right time, but in most parts of the state bees did not have nectar to bring in and store for honey," she said. "Rains over the last few months might result in a fall honey flow, which should be happening now, but we suspect honey production dropped again this year."

Texas honey production likely down again

Keck said an accurate assessment of Texas honey production is difficult, especially this year due to a lack of available information, but that official reports indicate production dipped in 2021.

The 2020 U.S. Department of Agriculture honey report showed there were 157,000 honey-producing bee colonies in Texas producing 8.9 million pounds with a value of \$17 million to overall U.S. production. Total U.S. production was 147.5 million pounds worth more than \$299 million.

The USDA reported 7.6 million pounds of honey were produced in 2021 by 137,000 Texas-based colonies. Despite the lower production number, the honey was valued at \$17.6 million within the 126.4 million pounds of honey produced nationally valued at \$321.2 million.

In the Sept. 28 honey report, the USDA reported too little information was available to make an assessment of the 2022 season in Texas. Extreme heat and drought across the state was the primary reason for lack of activity and reporting, according to the report.

The report indicated truck availability was not an issue due to the lack of honey supplies. Keck said there were also fewer COVID-related issues, such as equipment and container shortages this season.

Keck said the strong sales of nucleus hives, or nucs, which are smaller hives consisting of a queen and worker bees that can build into



production hives, is one good sign that Texas production was recovering.

"I think we've experienced two tough years for bees and beekeepers due to an extreme cold event in 2021 and extreme heat and drought this year," she said. "Commercial producers are expecting to sell out of bees, so that is a good sign. Hopefully they can bounce back, but so much will depend on beekeeper management through winter and rain going into spring."

Texas honey producers hope to bounce back

Beekeepers in Texas fall into three categories – hobbyists, sideliners and commercial producers, Keck said.

Hobbyists are backyard beekeepers who keep bees, typically less than 10 hives, to meet Texas' agriculture exemption for property taxes and/or to produce honey for their household, to share and/or sell locally. Sideliners typically have 50-250 hives but also maintain a full-time job.

Keck said recent interest in hobbyist beekeeping increased due to COVID-19 and the use of hives to gain property tax exemptions for small land parcels.

The Texas Apiary Inspection Service only tracks beekeepers with 400 or more hives. Keck said the fact that hobbyists and sideliners may not participate in the reporting makes it difficult to estimate the total honey production statewide.

Commercial beekeepers keep 500 colonies or more. Their livelihoods depend on bee husbandry and moving large numbers of hives around the state and nation to pollinate crops and/or produce honey.

For example, a commercial producer in Texas may deliver hives to the Rio Grande Valley to pollinate watermelon fields before moving those same hives to the Texas Plains to pollinate cotton later in the growing season. Then during the dog days of summer, they may move their colonies to South Dakota or North Dakota for clover honey production.

"It takes year-round management of problems like varroa mites and making sure hives have enough food, but especially going into winter after a summer like this," she said. "Beekeepers will close up the hives around Thanksgiving and open them back up around Valentine's Day, and we can only hope we'll be opening the hives up to better."

Shade Garden continues to thrive

By Greg Grant
Smith County
Horticulturist

When Vance Burks moved to East Texas in 1946, he quickly uncovered a secret in the sandy, acidic soil.

Originally from Shreveport, this green-thumb discovered that what was beneath his feet was perfect for one of his favorite shrubs. By the next spring, he had spread his love of camellias to the city's elite, who were actively planting them around their homes.

As more Tyler residents caught the craze, Burks helped found the Tyler Camellia Club. A partnership between the city and the club provided a perfect venture for a public camellia garden.

Keith Mills, former Tyler Rose Garden superintendent, explained how the shade loving camellias kept the garden relevant. The public loved to visit the Rose Garden during its growing season; however, the remainder of the year saw little visitation as the garden

lay dormant.

To address attendance concerns, the city of Tyler designated five acres south of the Rose Garden for a camellia garden. The plan was to show off these winter flowers and help spur interest when the Rose Garden was not blooming.

Brian Thompson, whose father Henry designed the Rose Garden, planned the Camellia Garden. It started with one large bed south of the Rose Garden near the current daylily bed.

The Tyler Camellia Club, along with the Texas Camellia Society and local nurserymen donated 68 plants representing 53 varieties.

The shrubs were planted in a grove of existing native trees to provide an ideal environment. The club tended the garden, while the city sprayed, watered, and mulched.

Tyler honored Vance Burks for his dedication and educational service, naming the Camellia Garden after him in 1960. Two decades later, winter freezes killed more

than 6,000 roses and many camellias. According to Wayne Pianta, former rosarian at the Rose Garden, Hoyt Williams from the Tyler Men's Garden Club and Dr. Eldon Lyle, Rose Research Foundation pathologist, helped restore the gardens through transplanted camellias from Dr. Lyle's collection.

Louis Squyres, the Camellia Garden's primary benefactor, purchased more to assist in the restoration. Unfortunately, the 2021 freeze did the same and new camellias are currently being added.

Keith Hansen, former Smith County horticulturist and the Smith County Master Gardeners adopted one of the beds in the northwest corner of the Camellia Garden in 1997 and named it the Shade Garden. Plants that thrived in limited sunlight were the showcase for this bed and a variety of shade tolerant perennials included hostas and ferns were introduced.

Up until his retirement in 2015, Hansen continued to add unique plants to be displayed or trialed



The Shade Garden at the Tyler Botanical Garden features an outstanding collection of maples. (Courtesy photo)

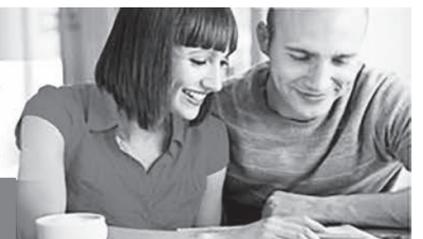
there. The Master Gardeners partnered with the Tyler Men's Garden Club in the fall of 2000 and planted 25 Japanese maples throughout the Camellia and Shade Garden. The group planted additional camellias and azaleas in various beds in 2012 and thanks to a generous donation from Kluber Lubrication, dozens more Japanese maples were added in 2019.

In 2018 the Smith County Master Gardeners and I decided to take on the combined Shade and Camellia Gardens and simply refer to the entire two-acre area as "The Shade Garden." The Shade Garden is part of our beautiful Tyler Botanical Garden at the Tyler Rose Garden and features a fine collection of azaleas, camellias, maples, and more.



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CAUSE NO. 46755P

ESTATE OF § **IN THE COUNTY COURT**
JAMES K. BROWN, SR., § **OF**
DECEASED § **SMITH COUNTY, TEXAS**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of James K. Brown, Sr., were issued on October 28, 2022, in cause number 46755P, pending in the County Court of Smith County, Texas, to James K. Brown, Jr.. All persons having claims against the estate, which is presently being administered, are required to submit them, within the time and manner prescribed by law, and before the estate is closed, addressed as follows:

James K. Brown, Jr., Independent Executor
Estate of James K. Brown, Sr.
c/o Gregory A. Fraser
P.O. Box 2562
209 S. Main Street
Lindale, TX 75771
Dated October 28, 2022.
By: Gregory A. Fraser
Attorney for Independent Executor of the
Estate of James K. Brown, Sr.

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c/o: LEIGH HUNT GOODSON
The Goodson Firm, P.C.
115 W. Ferguson Street
Tyler, Texas 75702

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Date: October 28, 2022.

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Attorney for Arsalan Arshad Abbasi

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF SAN JUAN ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT Case No.: D-1116-CV-2022-00372 GUILD MORTGAGE COMPANY LLC, Plaintiff, vs. NATHAN RAY BARON, Defendant. NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendant, Nathan Ray Baron, to be published on: You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff Guild Mortgage Company LLC has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on real property located at 3432 Monterey Cir, Farmington, NM 87401. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows: LOT 26, IN BLOCK 19, OF THE NORTHRIDGE SUBDIVISION NUMBER TWO, IN THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF SAID SUBDIVISION FILED FOR RECORD DECEMBER 28, 1978. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the Complaint in said cause on or before thirty (30) days after the last publication date, judgment by default may be entered against you. McCARTHY & HOLTHUS, LLP By: /s/ Jason Bousliman Jason Bousliman Attorney for Plaintiff 6501 Eagle Rock NE, Suite A-3 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87113 Telephone No.: (505) 219-4900 jlbousliman@mccarthyholthus.com IDSPub #0181683 10/27/2022 11/3/2022 11/10/2022

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Richard Duane Odom
Independent Executor of the Estate of
CAROLYN KAY ODOM
9150 S. Coulter, Apt. 2812
Amarillo, Texas 79119

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

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ATTEST: PENNY CLARKSTON, DISTRICT CLERK

CLERK OF THE COURT

PENNY CLARKSTON
Smith County District Clerk
100 N. Broadway, Rm. 204
Tyler, Texas 75702

By: /s/ **Stephanie Landeros**
Stephanie Landeros, Deputy Clerk

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Commissioners OK policy changes for county animal shelter

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are spayed and neutered," he said. "There's no need to grow the facility."

Precinct 2 Commissioner Terry Phillips also expressed concerns about the growth of the facility while acknowledging the need for the shelter.

"I don't mind changes, but it looks like to me that some of these (changes) are going to grow our shelter," he said. "It's not the road the county needs to go down. "We have a problem and its that the owners need to take care of their own (pets)."

Moran said while he agrees with Phillips' concerns, he has a different take on the issue.

"We've got a set limit on the number of animals brought into the facility to that if we have room it's going to cost you if you bring your pet to us," he said. "There's no obligation to take the animal if (the shelter) is 80 percent full. It hasn't gotten to the point where we are mandated to take these animals."

Phillips added that he wants "to keep up with this for a few months and keep up with how many are being paid for."

Greene discussed projects that are in the works for the facility. These include:

- A carport area with kennels outside for the animals;
- Working on a sign to show the location of the building;
- Working on getting a transport van for animals to vets' offices;
- Promoting microchipping animals for \$10.

She said the public will be allowed to drop off strays at the front door as long as the person has a photo ID and can prove the animal doesn't belong to someone else. Also, no one outside the county will be allowed to drop off an animal.



In the spirit of Halloween at the zoo

The annual Boo at the Caldwell Zoo in Tyler attracted hundreds of youngsters and their families to the facility this past weekend, which got into the Halloween spirit with decorations and special treats and activities. Lindale visitors included, from left, Easton Moore, Quinlan Peysen, Lucas Peysen and Wilder Nix.

AgriLife Extension offers new online Ag Bootcamp

The Texas AgrAbility and BattleGround to Breaking Ground programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service have developed a new online version of the Agriculture Production Bootcamp.

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BattleGround to Breaking Ground is a four-phase program designed for former and active-duty military members, beginning farmers, ranchers and others interested in becoming involved in production agriculture.

"This new Phase 1 program will provide participants with knowledge of essential agricultural production concepts and prepare them to create an agriculture business plan," said Erin Kimbrough, BattleGround to Breaking Ground program manager, Bryan-College Station.

Kimbrough said the online course helps participants understand introductory farm and ranch concepts and provides business planning and training

"It includes a session, conducted with military veteran farmers and ranchers, that provides best practices for navigating barriers to becoming successful agricultural producers," she noted.

Participants will also view a session about additional training programs and will receive a certificate upon course completion.

Kimbrough said the online course is optional for BattleGround to Breaking Ground Phase 2 applicants.

The cost for the online course is \$30, and it can be accessed at <https://tx.ag/NewPhaseOne>. At the link page, enter "Add to Cart." When a new page appears, press the "Add an Account" option located under the "Log In" bar and fill in the request.

Hiring Red, White & You! marks 11th year of linking our nation's heroes with Texas employers

AUSTIN – The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), in partnership with local workforce development boards throughout the state, and the Texas Veterans Commission (TVC), will host hiring fairs for veterans in cities across Texas through November 15. TWC's 11th annual Hiring Red, White & You! Statewide Hiring Fair is a joint initiative supported by the Office of the Governor,

the Texas Medical Center, and TVC to connect veterans and their spouses in Texas with employers seeking the exceptional skills of veterans and their spouses.

"Texas is home to 1.5 million veterans, the largest population of veterans in any state in the country," said TWC Chairman Bryan Daniel. "Veterans have the skills, training, and leadership tools necessary to make

significant contributions to the civilian workforce and a positive impact on the Texas economy."

The statewide event is free to attend and assists veterans, service members, and their spouses as they seek their next career opportunity. Employers participate at no cost and are encouraged to contact their local Workforce Solutions Office for more information. Since 2012,

Hiring Red, White & You! has served 20,131 employers, connected 114,778 job seekers to meaningful job opportunities, and facilitated 3,198 same-day hires.

"Each year, more than 22,000 uniformed service members transition from the military and remain or return to Texas," said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Julian Alvarez. "Texas veterans honorably served our country. Through Hiring Red, White and You! TWC is serving them in the next step of their careers."

Employers who hire veterans may be eligible for the Work Opportunity Tax Credit, which allows employers to receive up to \$9,600 of federal business income or payroll tax benefits when they hire from certain quali-

fied groups, including veterans.

"Texas employers participating in Hiring Red, White & You! recognize veterans have a unique skill set that contributes to the overall success of a Texas business," said TWC Commissioner Representing Employers Aaron Demerson.

"This event connects employers with our nation's heroes and provides our veterans with a chance to continue their service with pride and purpose even after the military. Thank you to all Texas employers who make hiring veterans a priority."

Find information on how to participate in Hiring Red, White & You! hiring fairs at <https://twc.texas.gov/hiring-red-white-you>. Visit www.twc.texas.gov/veterans.

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CAMDEN CHILEK is the daughter of Jennifer and Jeremy Chilek. She is an officer in the National Honor Society and a member of the band. Outside of school, Camden enjoys caring for dogs and serving in her community. Camden believes she is impacting the world by spreading kindness to everyone she meets and helping others with their problems. She plans to attend Texas A&M University and study zoology and veterinary science. Camden's future goals include working as a veterinarian with small animals or in a zoo.



KAITLYN GROTH is the daughter of Nikki and Joshua Groth. She is the head drum major, section leader, and squad leader for the marching band and a member of the uniform crew. She is also a member of the National Honor Society and the Catalyst Leadership Program at her church. Kaitlyn believes she is impacting the world by mentoring a group of eighth grade girls in their relationships with Jesus Christ. She plans to attend the University of the Incarnate Word and study music therapy. Kaitlyn's future goals include working as a music therapist at a hospital with pediatric patients.



JACQUELINE RAND is the daughter of Holly Rand and Charlie Rand. She is the president of the Lindale chapter of the Future Farmers of America (FFA) and the president of the Area 6 FFA Association. She is also a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Star Steppers drill team, and the speech and debate team. Outside of school, Jacqueline is a member of the Beefmaster Breeders United and the Junior Beefmaster Breeders Association. Jacqueline believes she is impacting the world by giving presentations on behalf of the organizations she supports. She plans to attend Baylor University and study pre-medicine. Jacqueline's future goals include working as a pediatrician.

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