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LISD hires Lindale Junior High Principal

The Lindale Independent School District is pleased to announce the hiring of Macie Thompson as the new principal of Lindale Junior High, said spokesperson Courtney Sanguinetti.

Thompson is currently serving as the superintendent of Alba-Golden ISD. Previously, Thompson has served as an associate curriculum director for Lindale ISD and as an assistant principal for Lindale High School.

She started her career as a high school government and economics teacher before transitioning into an assistant principal for Weatherford ISD prior to Lindale.

"I love Lindale ISD and I feel incredibly blessed to be a Lindale Eagle again," said Thompson. "Former Lindale Junior High Principals, Jeremy Chilek and Tracie Rand are my friends and colleagues. I am very honored to have the baton passed to me to lead a campus of such high academic achievement and excellence in all areas. The staff of LJH has made this one of the highest performing campuses in Texas and I am excited to work alongside them to continue that tradition of excellence."

Thompson earned a Bachelor of Political Science degree from Texas A&M University and a Master's in Educational Leadership from Stephen F. Austin State University.

"We are so excited to have Macie return to our district," said Lindale ISD Superintendent, Stan Surratt. "She is a fantastic administrator and will be a perfect fit for Lindale Junior High. She has a great passion for students and loves to support teachers. LJH has a great reputation of wonderful principals and Mrs. Thompson will certainly continue that tradition."

LACC celebrates another successful year with banquet

By Terry Cannon
Editor

Civic, business and educational leaders were among those honored Monday night (April 3) during the Lindale Area Chamber of Commerce's 39th annual Membership Banquet and Auction held at Texas Rose Horse Park.

LACC President and CEO Shelby Glover presided over the event and during the highlight of the evening presented Lindale Police Chief Dan Somes with the Citizen of the Year Award.

Somes, a familiar figure in and out of uniform to Lindale and East Texas residents, was honored not just for his leadership of the Lindale PD but for his work in the volunteer arena.

"He is always working for the betterment of the community," Glover said of Somes. "He has been volunteering with honesty and integrity for more than 30 years and he does all this from the heart."

Somes received a standing ovation when his name was announced and again after being presented with his plaque.

The Lindale Rotary Club honored Kaitlin and Jeremiah Cagle, owners and operators of the Lindale Candy Company, as Merchants of the Year. Rotarian Carroll Anderson presented the award to Jeremiah Cagle.

"(The Cagles) exemplify the Rotary's Four-Way Test," Anderson said. "They are truly an asset to our community."

City Manager Carolyn Caldwell



Lindale Police Chief Dan Somes was honored by the Lindale Area Chamber of Commerce as Citizen of the Year Monday.



Jeremiah and Kaitlin Cagle were presented with the Lindale Rotary Club's Merchant of the Year Award.

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presented Isaac Lewis with the City Employee of the Year Award.

"In his five years with the city, he is one of the most dependable employees

we have," she said. "He always does a great job and never complains."

Lindale ISD Deputy Superintendent

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Registration deadline for voters April 6

Thursday, April 6 is the last day to register to vote in the May 6, 2023 city and school elections throughout Smith County, said Casey Murphy, county public information officer.

This deadline also applies to making changes of address, she said.

If you are not sure if you are registered, you can find out here by logging onto <https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqvr.shtml>.

You can also find an application at this website to fill out, print and return to the Smith County Elections Office. You can also visit the Smith County Elections Office, at 302 E. Ferguson Street in Tyler, to fill it out in person.

To be eligible to register to vote in Texas, you must:

- be a U.S. citizen;
- be a resident of the county;
- be 18 years old (you may register at 17 years and 10 months);
- not a convicted felon (unless a person's sentence is completed, including any probation or parole);
- not declared mentally incapacitated by a court of law.

Lady Eagles earn superlative honors on 14-4A All-District team

Lindale High School's Lady Eagles soccer team, which captured a bi-district title this season, had two players earn superlative honors and four others recognized as first team selections following voting from the District 14-4A coaches this past week.

District Most Valuable Player honors went to Lindale's Kaydee Cox, a senior midfielder, and Utility Player of the Year honors went to Lindale senior forward/midfielder Brooke Everest.

First team selections from Lindale included senior center back Brooke Tweedell, junior midfielder Kady Spears, junior midfielder Hadlee Scott and junior midfielder Addy Kobs.

Lindale sophomore goal keeper Clara Helvey was selected to the second team as was freshman center back Macy Hodde.

Senior left back Alma Silva and senior forward Morgan Parks were honorable mention selections.

The Lady Eagles, who finished second in 14-4A, defeated Pittsburg, 4-0, for the bi-district championship before falling to Henderson, 3-2, in the area round.

GIRLS 14-4A ALL-DISTRICT TEAM SUPERLATIVES

MVP: Kaydee Cox, senior, Lindale
OFFENSIVE MVP: Madison Hernandez, junior, Brownsboro
DEFENSIVE MVP: Maddie Cummings, senior, Bullard
NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR: Paige Barrett, freshman, Bullard
GOALKEEPER OF THE YEAR: Keyri

Rojas, senior, Athens

UTILITY PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Brooke Everest, senior, Lindale

CO-MIDFIELDERS OF THE YEAR: Niyah Gee, junior Bullard; Avery Green, senior, Van.

FIRST TEAM

BULLARD: Maddie Carlile, senior defender; Rylie Graul, sophomore midfielder; Chole Howard, senior defensive forward; Rylie Jo Garner, junior midfielder; Addy Cummings, junior forward.

LINDALE: Brooke Tweedell, senior center back; Kady Spears, junior midfielder; Hadlee Scott, junior midfielder; Addy Kobs, junior midfielder.

ATHENS: Shelby McMichael, senior defender; Mia Rodriguez, senior defender; Izabel Lopez, senior midfielder.

CHAPEL HILL: Emily Vazquez, junior defender/forward; Shania Miller, senior midfielder; Clara Brown, sophomore goalkeeper.

BROWNSBORO: Zoey Hinton, fresh-

man striker; Victoria Gutierrez, sophomore midfielder.

VAN: McKinnley Davis, senior midfielder.

CUMBERLAND: Sanaa Daniels, senior goalkeeper.

GRAND SALINE: Lily Ferguson, senior midfielder.

SECOND TEAM

BULLARD: Ramzee Matejka, sophomore goalkeeper; Aubrey Kuechle, freshman midfielder; Lucy Shultz, freshman defender.

LINDALE: Clara Helvey, sophomore goalkeeper; Macy Hodde, freshman center back.

ATHENS: Isabella Stovall, sophomore forward; Miranda Garcia, senior defender.

CHAPEL HILL: Brandy Pineda, senior defender; Anahi Borja, junior forward/midfielder/defender.

BROWNSBORO: Cristina Rios, senior midfielder/defender; Itzayama Alvarez, senior midfielder.

VAN: Grace Zifer, junior forward; Jenna Huss, junior defender.

CUMBERLAND: Adriana Mata, junior midfielder; Vonyelle DeVold, senior left center back.

GRAND SALINE: Elizabeth Zarate, sophomore goalkeeper.

HONORABLE MENTION

BULLARD: Reagan Stegall, senior forward; Triniti Wimmer, senior forward.

LINDALE: Alma Silva, senior left back; Morgan Parks, senior forward.

ATHENS: Lindsey Carrizles, junior midfielder.

CHAPEL HILL: Natalie Ruiz, senior midfielder.

BROWNSBORO: Dani Harris, junior defender; Tere Lagunas, sophomore midfielder.

VAN: Paige Oxford, senior midfielder; Karmen Zifer, senior defender.

CUMBERLAND: Nicole Sharp, freshman stopper; Juliana Pierce, freshman midfielder.

GRAND SALINE: Bianca Guajardo, freshman forward.

Smith Countywide cleanup runs throughout April

Smith County residents will get to take one free trip to the landfill during the annual Smith Countywide Cleanup, which runs for the entire month of April, said Public Information Officer Casey Murphy.

The Smith County Sheriff's Office Environmental Crimes Unit and Commissioners Court are once again offering the yearly program, which allows residents to take one truck-load of bulky items (3 cubic yards of solid waste) to the Greenwood Farms Landfill for free.

During County Government Month, one voucher per resident are available in-person only at the Courthouse Annex, 200 E. Ferguson in Tyler, or any of the Justice of the Peace/Constable Offices throughout the County.

In Lindale, vouchers are available at the Precinct 5 JP/Constable's office at 2616 S. Main Street.

The vouchers can be used through Saturday, May 6.

"It's that time of year again ... time for spring cleaning," Environmental Crimes Deputy Tommy Goodman said. "We sure would like as many Smith County citizens to participate in this as possible."

Greenwood Farms Landfill is located at 12920 Farm-to-Market Road

2767, Tyler. It is seven miles east of Loop 323, off of Old Kilgore Highway.

The landfill charges to take mattresses. The Smith County Voucher includes only one free mattress. Additional mattresses will cost \$50 at the landfill.

Items not accepted: hazardous waste, pesticides, herbicides, solvents, gasoline, oils, acid, batteries, asbestos, wet paint, freon, whole tires, televisions, computers, refrigerators and freezers.

The Greenwood Farms Landfill is open from 6:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 6:30 a.m. to noon Saturday. Its phone number is 800-678-7274. In addition to the Lindale location, vouchers are available to be picked up by Smith County residents at:

- The Annex Building, (first floor offices) 200 E. Ferguson St. in Tyler
- Precinct 1 Constable: 308 E. Ferguson in Tyler
- Precinct 2 JP/Constable: 15405 Highway 155 South in Noonday
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OPINION/COMMENTARY

Bubbles of joy ...

My chubby little legs swung back and forth as I sat in the pew with the corded gold cushion. I was mesmerized by the play of light on my white patent leather Mary Jane shoes. My sweet lace-trimmed socks were turned down just so and matched my lacy short gloves. My Easter bonnet was a cute little confection that could have passed for an Easter basket if turned upside down.

Remember those new white patent leather shoes? How they smelled? How they scuffed? Our sweet southern Mamas always laid down the LAW...no white until Easter and never, ever after Labor Day. I fully expected social shunning if this rule was broken. Now we demonstrate our raising and good taste by refusing to wear our pajamas to shop at Wal-Mart.

As a small child I remember the gloves, hats and heels Mom wore to church every Sunday. I still have two pair of my stylish Mom's three-quarter length kid leather gloves that are as soft as butter. Still.

In my long ago childhood nearly every Easter began with a sunrise service, followed by the Big Church service and then a dinner that could feed the Multitude of 5,000. Truly biblical proportions of food were generated in my Mama's kitchen.

Egg hunts followed dinner and as the kids grew we were bribed with brightly colored eggs with change instead of candy. I am ashamed to say that bills eventually had to be added for our mercenary, selfish pre-teen selves to participate. My little brother was five years younger than my cousins and me. And yes, the money worked. For a long, long, time.

Some of the best Easters in my memory include my son and the second set of cousins. We repeated the Easter traditions but this time without the gloves, hats or even the heels. Our culture had become a tad less formal.

The sunrise service had disappeared and so had patent leather Mary Jane shoes. But Big Church was still followed

The Best of Suzanne Bardwell



by a feast fit to welcome home the prodigal children of our extended family.

Hubby's contribution to the Easter Tradition Remix was kites for everybody young and old who wanted one. They were themed and carefully selected with super heroes, ninja turtles and Star Wars characters. My playful adult contribution was bubbles with the huge wands which pleased kids of all ages. Even the ones with canes and walkers.

Throw in a bit of softball, badminton or croquet, a huge yard, and the continuing feasts following Easter services with songs like "He is Risen!" sung loudly, if off key, and the perfect holiday memories were created.

I will desperately miss my Mom's and Aunt Gwen's specialty foods this Sunday. I will miss my childhood church that no longer exists. I will fervently wish for a chance to share kites and bubbles with the children of our family. But what I will do for sure is remember.

My brothers and cousins, grandparents, aunts and uncles, my son and his cousins, a family that lasts beyond distance, time and even life. These memories are where a great deal of my joy resides.

I wish abundant blessings of Joy to each of your homes this Easter. May you make memories that last through generations and may Easter's message of hope, of new beginnings and of LOVE beyond comprehension be yours.

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Texas leads the nation in jobs added

The Lone Star State continues to lead the nation in jobs added with 58,200 new positions in February, bringing the state to nearly 14 million total nonfarm jobs, according to the Texas Workforce Commission. February also marked two full years of uninterrupted job growth in the state.

"The past 24 months of uninterrupted job growth show the strength of the Texas economy and ongoing economic opportunities for Texans," said TWC Chairman Bryan Daniel.

The state's jobless rate in February was 4.5%, which is higher than the national rate of 3.9%, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The highest jobless rate in a Texas metropolitan statistical area is 6.8% in McAllen-Edinburgh-Mission. The lowest rate in an MSA is 3.0% in Midland.

Senate passes bill to limit governor's powers

The Texas Senate unanimously passed a bill to rein in the governor's authority during emergencies or disasters, the Austin American-Statesman reported. A matching proposal in the House is awaiting a committee hearing. The bill, sponsored by state Sen. Brian Birdwell, R-Granbury, would require the governor to call the Legislature into special session if the executive office wants to extend a disaster or emergency declaration past 30 days. Only the Legislature would be able to put restrictions on businesses such as those imposed during the initial weeks of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"We must no longer allow a 19-month legislative interim to

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be leveraged against the Legislature, especially during times of emergency disasters that affect a significant number of Texans," Birdwell said.

Under current law, disaster declarations last 30 days but can be renewed by the governor. For example, Gov Greg Abbott has extended a disaster declaration relating to illegal border crossings each month since May 2021, according to the Statesman.

Abbott expressed support in his State of the State address in January for involving the Legislature in disaster declarations that deal with public health crises.

Senate backs \$\$\$ boost for retired teachers

The Texas Senate also unanimously approved a package that allocates \$4.7 billion from the budget surplus to increase monthly payments for retired teachers and gives a one-time bump to retirees over 75, the Statesman reported. The bill is now headed to the House for consideration.

The measure calls for a 2% raise for teachers who retired between Sept. 1, 2013, and Jan. 1, 2022, and a 4% raise for those who retired before Sept. 1, 2013. Senate Bill 10 also provides a one-time stipend of \$7,500 for retirees older than 75. The bill affects nearly a half-million retired teachers.

"This is a significant financial commitment from the state," state Sen. Joan Huffman, R-Houston, said. "Many TRS retirees have been struggling for so long. We need to do this."

Retired teachers on average make \$2,100 a month through the Teachers Retirement System.

Boaters, anglers urged to avoid coastal rookeries

Anglers and boaters along the Texas coast are urged to watch out for nesting birds during this peak breeding and nesting season, according to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Brown pelicans, roseate spoonbills, black skimmers and reddish egrets are among the birds nesting in dense colonies, called rookeries. TPWD encourages folks to watch out for these nesting birds so they are not disturbed during a sensitive time.

"With too many disturbances, an entire colony of thousands of birds may abandon an island and give up on breeding for the year, which can potentially lead to drastic population declines," said Trey Barron, a diversity biologist with TPWD. "When approached too closely by boaters or people wading

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dent Jamie Holder presented Lindale High School CTE instructor Lindsay Kelly with the Educator of the Year Award and LHS Principal Jeremy Chilek presented Brooke Everest and Christian King with the Students of the Year Award. Both are in the top 10 of their senior class and have a 105-plus grade point average.

"I've been fortunate to have been around these two young people since junior high school and they are outstanding representatives for us in the Lindale school district," Chilek said.

Outgoing LACC Chairman Alice Ann Brown thanked the gathering for making the past year an easy one.

"I truly feel blessed to have been in this position and appreciate the opportunity you gave me," she said.

Incoming Chairman Sallie Black said she is looking forward to another great year for the chamber, which has grown to 750 members - "This community is very special to me and I look forward to the coming year."



Lindale City Manager Carolyn Caldwell presented Isaac Lewis with the City Employee of the Year Award.



Lindale High School teacher Lindsay Kelly was honored with the Educator of the Year Award from Lindale ISD Deputy Superintendent Jamie Holder.

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nearby, birds are frightened off their nests, leaving eggs and chicks exposed to the summer sun, which can cause them to overheat. The abandoned nests also allow opportunistic predators like gulls and grackles to quickly swoop in and feed on them."

Boaters and anglers are also encouraged to properly dispose of fishing line, tackle and other waste to ensure it does not harm birds, turtles or other marine life.

"The habitats that waterbirds use are the same habitats in which we — including myself — enjoy fishing, hunting and photographing wildlife," Barron said. "We just have to remember to give them their space, especially during the nesting season, and pick up after ourselves. If you're out on the water, look for the yellow signs that identify rookery islands and keep your distance. We can all enjoy the same places, as long as we do it responsibly."

State's Rainy Day Fund hits cap for first time

The state's piggy bank is nearly full. Comptroller Glenn Hegar predicts the state's so-called Rainy Day Fund, officially the Economic Stabilization Fund, will reach its statutory limit by 2025, which is 10% of what is deposited in the General Revenue Fund. Rising revenues fueled by spikes in energy prices and inflation have filled the state's coffers, Hegar said.

"The revenue increases that we have seen truly have been historical and unprecedented. We have never seen anything like this in the past, and I don't think we'll see anything like this in the future," he said.

The state experienced record growth in tax collections in 2022 of 25.6% from the previous year, filling the state's coffers with a surplus of \$32.7 billion.

"I am glad to see that lawmakers are giving careful thought to how this tremendous asset can be best put to work for Texans," Hegar added.

Annual TABC compliance finds violations

AUSTIN — A series of covert inspections by agents from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission found that 93% of businesses operated in full compliance with the law during the busy spring break season.

In all, TABC agents conducted 1,726 underage compliance operations during the agency's annual spring break enforcement roundup, finding 127 instances of businesses selling alcohol to people under 21. This year's results mark an improvement from last year's operation, which found a compliance rate of 91%. The annual operation attempts to identify businesses selling alcohol to minors at popular spring break vacation spots such as South Padre Island as well as festival locations in Austin and Houston.

This year's results show that most businesses are continuing to take their role in promoting safe and responsible alcohol service seriously, TABC Executive Director Thomas Graham said.

“Opening Day” is glorious in many ways

To us baseball-loving old coots, the two words “Opening Day” mean one thing: another baseball season is upon us.

One week ago, MLB pulled back the curtain on another season and despite some nervous moments we Ranger fans had about Jacob deGrom’s less than stellar outing, our boys came away with a win. They then followed that up with two more against the defending National League Champion Philadelphia Phillies.

“Opening Day,” also happens to be the title of the best book I’ve read about the most important person to play the game as well as one of the pioneers of racial equality, Jackie Robinson.

The book, written by Jonathan Eig and published in 2008, should be required reading not just for baseball fans but for anyone who cares about equality among human beings.

In one week, it will have been 76 years (April 14, 1947) since Robinson broke the color barrier in baseball, an event that predictably wasn’t greeted with enthusiasm within the game.

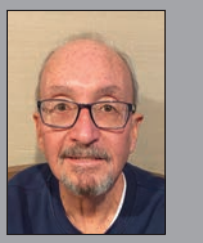
While the impetus for Robinson’s arrival in the big leagues began with Brooklyn Dodgers’ club president and general manager Branch Rickey, it was Robinson who received the brunt of the abuse from bigoted fans and players.

Rickey, who threw nickels around like manhole covers, knew there was a great, untapped fan base waiting to be served and more money for him and the Dodgers.

Black baseball fans were enthralled with the Negro Leagues and its daring, dashing style of play. Rickey knew those players would eventually transform the Major Leagues.

While a good many of the club owners didn’t want Robinson in the majors because of his skin color, they also knew once he arrived the gate would be open to other stars of the

Terry Cannon Editor



Negro Leagues.

This meant the league would eventually fold – which it did – and the owners would lose the income paid by the Negro League clubs for the use of their stadiums.

Rickey stood firm, despite a secret meeting of the owners in January, 1947 when the only item on the agenda was Robinson and Rickey’s intent to have him suit up for the Dodgers.

Two secret ballots were taken and naturally, Rickey was the lone vote in favor of Robinson. But the canny Brooklyn president and GM had an ace up his sleeve in Commissioner Happy Chandler.

Rickey and Chandler met, and the commissioner said that essentially there was no rule in the sport that banned Blacks from playing and when Robinson’s application came across his desk he would sign it. He and Rickey knew the owners wouldn’t protest because it would put their racism on public display.

Interestingly, baseball wasn’t Robinson’s best sport. A natural athlete, Robinson excelled at basketball, football and track and occasionally tennis. While at Pasadena Junior College, he set a national junior college long-jump record (beating his brother Mack) in 1938.

After graduating from PJC, Robinson continued his athletic excellence at UCLA, winning varsity letters in baseball, basketball, football and track.

The Bruins football team was 6-0-4 in 1939 and Robinson’s 12.2 yards per carry that season still stands as a school record.

While at UCLA, he met future wife Rachel, a saintly woman who provided a steady hand as both tried to navigate the poisonous waters of racism.

When the U.S. went to war in 1941, Robinson was drafted in 1942 and eventually earned 2nd lieutenant’s bars. He faced down racism in 1944 when a base bus driver told him to sit in the back. Robinson naturally resisted and after much legal wrangling, he was acquitted of several bogus charges by an all-white, nine man panel of officers.

After the army, he eventually landed in the Negro Leagues where he was spotted by one of Rickey’s scouts.

Rickey insisted that Robinson not fight back against the hatred and bigotry for the first couple of years. But when that moratorium expired, Robinson exploded on the National League with a vengeance and helped lead the Dodgers to six World Series appearances in the next 10 years.

Robinson’s courage to break baseball’s color barrier helped to eventually break down racist walls in the other major sports in America.

Eventually baseball would have welcomed players of color, but in 1947 it was the perfect time and the perfect man to get the ball rolling.

Imagine the game without the likes of Willie Mays, Hank Aaron or Ernie Banks or a plethora of incredibly talented Hispanics and Asians.

It just wouldn’t be the same.

Lots of fun – and chattering – on the phone

The other day, when I was in the grocery store, a lady came up to me and told me that this junk I write had inspired her to have fun with phone creatures. I thought about tellin’ her about the one I spoke with the other night, but I figured I’d just let her read about it instead.

Phone creatures, for y’all who haven’t ever read this junk before, are what I call those telephone solicitors who call, buggin’ you to buy stuff. You know the ones I mean. They call at supper-time, or when a really good show’s fixin’ to come on the television set.

Anywho, like I said, I got a call the other night.

“Yellow,” I said into the receiver. Nobody answered back. “Yellow!” I said louder. Then, I heard that faint click that tells you it’s a phone creature.

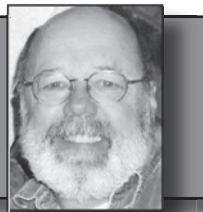
“Hello, Mr. Mitchum,” the creature said. “This is Margarita Finn, and I’m callin’.....”

“LORETTA LYNN!” I yelled. Then I moved my mouth away from the phone and yelled like I was talkin’ to somebody else. “Hey Maw! You ain’t gonna believe this! I’m talkin’ to Loretta Lynn!..... What?..... What’s that you say Maw...? OK. I’ll tell her.” Then I put my mouth back to the phone. “Hey Loretta? Maw says hey.”

“Uh, Mr. Mitchum,” the creature said. That’s when I decided not to let her get another word in.

“Loretta, you just don’t know how big a fan I am of yours. Why I bet I got two or three of your records. And you know what? I saw that movie about your life, too. Man, that was a good movie. Every time I think about you talkin’ about baloney, I crack up. I don’t know if you know it or not, but that girl Sissy that plays you in the movie, grewed

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up just down the road from here in Quitman. I ain’t never seen her down there, but they’ve got a street named after her.

“Did you see that movie about your life? Well, if you didn’t, it’s a good’un. I won’t tell you how it ended in case you want to go see it. I wouldn’t want to ruin it for you. By the way, do you ever see Roy Clark? I sure miss seein’ him. I used to see him every week on Hee Haw, but Maw got mad at the television set and threwed her ashtray through it.

“She said there was too much violence on it, but I think she got mad at it ‘cause it showed a brassiere commercial.

“Well tell me, how’s things goin’? You got any new records comin’ out? Do you know I remember hearin’ on the radio a long time ago that you became a grandmother when you was 29? That’s purdy young, ain’t it?”

“You got a dog? I had two, but one of ‘em got ran over the other day. The other one moped around for a few days, but he got alright. I’m gonna have to find me another one I guess. I’m a two dog man, you know. Can’t have just one dog. Just don’t seem right.

“You still live in Tennessee? I got a couple of buddies live up in Tennessee. That sure is a purdy state, from what I’ve seen of it.

“Did you know Tammy Wynette? She wore her hair kinda big like you did; only she was a blonde.”

“Stand by your man,” I sung. “That was a purdy good song.

“Hey, I remember in that

movie about you that your husband drove a bulldozer. You ain’t gonna believe this, but I drove a bulldozer once. Got it stuck in Boilin’ Springs Creek and couldn’t get it out. It’s still there. That was a while back, so I don’t think it’s worth much of anything now. I’ll sit in the seat every once in awhile and fish. Don’t never catch nothin’.

“Hey, you know what? I saw Johnny Cash’s brother one time in the gymnasium in Chandler, Texas. I thought I was goin’ to see Johnny, but it turned out to be Tommy Cash. He was OK, I guess, but he weren’t no Johnny.

“I saw Jerry Lee Lewis once, too. He played the piano with his feet. Honest. I ain’t never seen nothin like it.

“And I saw Merle Haggard, too. Boy howdy, he looked rough. His face looked like it’d had some definite erosion problems. He had more lines and ditches in his face than the back of the spillway on my little lake.

“Did I tell you I had a lake? Well, it ain’t really a lake, more like a pond, but it has good water in it. Some purdy good fish, too. Maw likes to go down there and sit on the bank with some chicken livers and catch catfish. Me, I just like to shoot at turtles. Got to be careful shootin’ on the water though. Them bullets’ll skip right off of that water and hit something if you ain’t careful.

“That’s how Maw lost her foot. I told her to git out of the way, but you can’t tell old folks nothin’. They

won’t listen. Well, she’ll listen next time, I’ll bet.

“You ain’t gonna believe this, but I thought about takin’ up country singin’ one time. It was back in grade school. I made myself a guitar out of an ol’ cigar box, a yard stick, and some rubber bands. I never could get it to sound right though. So my hopes of bein’ a big star were dashed. Sometimes when I think about it, my eyes’ll water up.

“Speakin’ of waterin’ up, you ought to see Maw’s good foot. It’s swelled up like a football. The top of it’s done folded over her toes. I’ve thought about lancin’ it, but we ain’t got a bucket to drain it in.

“Used to have one, but that blasted idiot nephew of mine got it to use for a seat in his ol’ pickup. Said he wanted a bucket seat. He ain’t real bright, you know. Kids now-a-days. They just ain’t got no respect for other people’s property. A good bucket’s hard to find, you know. We used to use that bucket for everything. You know you are just lost at hog killin’ time if you ain’t got a bucket. I mean you can gut ‘em in a feed sack, but it just ain’t the same.”

“GOODBYE!” the creature yelled on the other end of the phone line and slammed the receiver down.

I smiled and hung up. I turned, and yes, there was my dearly beloved, arms crossed, with that look on her face. It was sort of a haggard look.

“What?” I said.

“What is wrong with you?” she asked.

“Nothin’. Why?”

“Where do you come up with all of this....?”

“Watch your language, now,” I said.

“Stuff,” she said.

“It’s a gift,” I replied.

“A gift, huh?” she said.

“Well why don’t you see if you can return it?”

Times of Lindale



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ONE YEAR AGO, April 7, 2022

The Lindale Area Chamber of Commerce Membership Banquet and –In the Lone Star State of Mind” -- was held at the Texas Rose Horse Park and several people were honored by the LACC.

The highlight of the evening was Lindale ISD Board President Mike Combs Being selected as Citizen of the Year. LISD Superintendent Stan Surratt introduced Combs.

The Lindale Rotary Club named Joshua Johnson, manager of the Chick Fil A restaurant on Highway 69 as Merchant of the Year. Carroll Anderson of the Rotary Club introduced Johnson.

Jill Childs was named the city of Lindale’s Employee of the Year. Childs is City Manager Carolyn Caldwell’s assistant.

The LISD, and Surratt, honored Cindy Baldwin, a Kindergarten teacher at the Early Childhood Center, as Educator of the Year.

Lindale High School Principal Jeremy Chilek introduced the district’s Students of the Year, seniors Ellie Watkins and Cody Peters.

Longtime Precinct 5 Justice of the Peace James Cowart was honored with the Chairman’s Award for his service to the chamber and community by the LACC’s R.J. Collins.

FIVE YEARS AGO, April 5, 2018

The Lindale ISD Education Foundation visited several classrooms in the district and handed out grants to teachers as the annual Grant Patrol took place once again.

The foundation distributed more that \$35,800 in grants to teachers at all six of the LISD campuses. These funds will be used to purchase new and innovative tools for the teachers and for their students.

10 YEARS AGO, April 4, 2013

Dylan Bacon, 16, of the Lindale High School FFA finished 10th in the senior division of the 2013 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Public Speaking contest.

The public speaking event was held in conjunction with the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Bacon competed against 140 contestants. Each student presented a six to eight minute speech on an agricultural topic of their choice.

His topic was “A Mustang Tale” and was inspired by the mustang adoption program created by the Federal Bureau of Land Management in an effort to preserve the wild horse.

Bacon discussed how trainers hone their skills, give horses loving homes and benefit the industry of agriculture.

His speech focused on the positive benefits of the gathering and adoption process surrounding these wild horses.

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Observe Stress Awareness Month with nature

By Claudann Jones
Smith County Extension Agent
Family and Community Health



Stress Awareness Month is observed to promote the importance of coping positively with and reducing stress.

An accumulation of stress over years can lead to chronic stress and this affects our bodies negatively.

When we are stressed, our body naturally releases hormones that signal our heart rate and breathing to increase. Though, over time, chronic stress continually releases hormones that prevent our bodies from returning to a normal heart rate and normal breathing.

An increase in heart rate can lead to an increase in blood pressure and blood sugar in our bodies as the liver releases more sugar, increasing the risk of Type 2 diabetes. Stress also causes our blood vessels to constrict, which increases blood pressure.

Something that can reduce stress can be found all around us in nature. Spending time in green spaces, like parks, gardens, woodlands, and forests or blue spaces, like rivers, lakes, wetlands, and beaches can have a great impact on our physical and mental wellbeing.

The benefits of nature do not only include the outdoors. When we don't

have access to beautiful outdoor surroundings, nature videos or sounds that depict plant and animal wildlife have been shown to reduce stress. Of course, doing activities outdoors has the most impact.

According to the American Psychological Association, "people who spent at least two recreational hours in nature during the previous week, reported significantly greater health and well-being."

Stress can appear in our bodies in a variety of ways, like feelings of worry or frustration, changes in energy or appetite, trouble concentrating or sleeping, headaches, neck and back pain, or stomach problems.

When we feel the effects of stress on our bodies, get out and enjoy some time in nature. Spending as little as 10 minutes outdoors can have a tremendous benefit on our health by reducing blood pressure, decreasing blood sugar levels, lowering stress, and achieving an overall positive mood.

Try these helpful tips to cope with the effects of stress:

-- **Gardening:** Spending at least 20 minutes in the garden has been shown to improve wellbeing by increasing our physical activity, reducing stress, and lowering blood pressure.

-- **Connecting:** Nature offers many opportunities for connection to the surrounding environment through our senses. Simple practices such as listen-

ing to birds singing, smelling flowers, touching the soil with your hands and feet, feeling the warmth of the sun, or gazing at the stars can help bring a feeling of peace and calmness.

-- **Being Outdoors:** Observing natural elements for 10-30 minutes, without distractions, can help decrease heart rate, cortisol levels (which increase sugar levels in our body), blood pressure, and can promote an overall feeling of being calm, refreshed, and restored.

-- **Green Exercise:** Walking or exercising outdoors for up to 30 minutes helps reduce stress, heart rate, cortisol levels, and blood pressure.

Taking the time to unwind outdoors has many health benefits and is an integral way to reduce stress.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension offers programming to fit your community's needs. These programs include gardening, walking, additional programs on stress for adults and youth, cooking classes for people with diabetes or high blood pressure and more.

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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SATURDAY, MARCH 18: 5:24:45 AM, Public Service, 17000 blk Interstate 20 W; 9:32:15 AM, Escort, 16000 blk CR 431; 10:50:20 AM, Theft, 500 blk S Main St; 11:35:48 AM, Escort, 200 blk W South St; 2:26:14 PM, Accident, 1900 blk S Main St; 7:21:53 PM, Public Service, 13000 blk CR 472; 8:40:33 PM, Parking Violation, Freedom Drive.

SUNDAY, MARCH 19: 12:32:15 AM, Criminal Trespass, 200 blk Cooper St; 3:57:01 AM, Assist SCSO, 16000 blk CR 431; 5:38:13 AM, Disturbance, 500 blk N Main St; 7:53:29 AM, Animal Complaint, 600 blk Linus Lane; 10:55:16 AM, Public Service, 100 blk Ballard Dr; 11:55:50 AM, Suspicious Vehicle, 100 blk E Centennial Blvd; 1:16:32 PM, Alarm Business, 800 blk Lindale Industrial Pkwy; 1:54:51 PM, Alarm Business, 13000 blk Interstate 20 W; 2:17:03 PM, Accident, 100 blk E Centennial Blvd; 2:37:55 PM, Suspicious Circumstance, 1700 blk S Main St; 2:46:54 PM, Suspicious Vehicle, 21000 blk Hwy 69 N; 3:52:25 PM, Animal Complaint, 500 blk N Main St; 4:00:25 PM, Public Service, 16000 blk Ridgeview Lane; 4:01:08 PM, Flag Down, S College St/W Hubbard St; 4:04:58 PM, Accident, 14000 blk Interstate 20 W; 4:17:12 PM, Accident, 14000 blk Interstate 20 W; 5:30:26 PM, Attempt To Serve, 3500 blk S Main St; 5:53:04 PM, Animal Complaint, 500 blk Blackberry Blvd; 6:12:42 PM, Civil Matter, 100 blk Teresa St; 9:37:11 PM, Parking Violation, 13000 blk Interstate 20 W; 9:51:30 PM, Assist SCSO, 14000 blk CR 411; 10:36:31 PM, Assist SCSO, 300 blk Smith Circle; 11:20:54 PM, Alarm Business, 16000 blk Village Lake Dr.

MONDAY, MARCH 20: 9:52:07 AM, Theft, 3500 blk S Main St; 11:16:52 AM, Abandoned Vehicle, 15000 blk CR



463; 12:18:35 PM, Public Service, 13000blk Birchwood Circle; 3:18:39 PM, Accident, 500 blk S Main St; 3:26:24 PM, Accident, 17000 blk Interstate 20 E; 4:58:53 PM, Accident, 900 blk Mt Sylvan St; 6:44:00 PM, Traffic Hazard, 14000 blk Interstate 20 W; 6:54:57 PM, Assist EMS, 400 blk Asher Lane; 7:11:47 PM, Assist SCSO, 10000 blk FM 16 W; 7:47:56 PM, Public Service, 100 blk S Main St; 8:19:06 PM, Suspicious Circumstance, 200 blk Cannery Row; 10:24:18 PM, Suspicious Vehicle, 200 blk Cannery Row; 11:16:11 PM, Public Service, CR 4191/Woodlands Park Dr.

TUESDAY, MARCH 21: 6:19:05 AM, Accident, 2100 blk S Main St; 7:44:48 AM, Hit & Run, 100 blk Eagle Spirit Dr; 9:57:44 AM, Accident 100 blk E Hubbard St; 12:06:05 PM, Motorist Assist, CR 474/S Main St; 12:22:26 PM, Suspicious Circumstance, 1200 blk Forest Trails Dr; 2:22:12 PM, Public Service, 16000 blk CR 4191; 4:56:04 PM, Theft, 100 blk E Centennial Blvd; 5:42:15 PM, Criminal Trespass, 1000 blk Stewart St; 6:52:43 PM, Warrant Service, 13000 blk Interstate 20 W; 7:46:32 PM, Alarm Business, 600 blk S Main St; 8:01:54 PM, Assist Another Agency, 3400 blk S Main St; 9:17:32 PM, Motorist Assist, 13000 Interstate 20 E; 11:21:08 PM, Welfare Concern, 1000 blk N Park Dr.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22: 12:37:52 AM, Parking Violation, Freedom Dr; 5:18:12 AM, City Ordinance Violation, 100 blk E Centennial Blvd; 8:20:54 AM, Accident, S. College St/W Hubbard St; 11:20:53 AM, Welfare Concern, 3400 blk S Main St; 12:51:49 PM, Assist EMS, 100 blk W Hubbard St; 4:17:06 PM, Vagrant, 3200 blk S Main St; 5:51:28 PM, Accident, S. Main St/Eagle Spirit; 8:51:06 PM, 911 Hang Up Call, 2600 blk S. Main St; 9:35:49 PM,

Suspicious Circumstance, 800 blk N Main St; 10:16:53 PM, Harassment, 400 blk Hill St; 3:15 AM, Parking Violation, 3500 blk S. Main St; 9:22:18 AM, Traffic Hazard, 17000 blk Interstate 20 E; 12:34:12 PM, Public Service, 100 blk S Main St; 12:58:59 PM, Assist LISD PD, 900 blk E Hubbard St; 2:35:48 PM, Suspicious Person, 2800 blk S Main St; 3:45:29 PM, 911 Hang Up Call, 1200 blk Brad Circle; 4:10:27 PM, Fraud, 1500 blk Courtland Lane; 5:33:04 PM, Accident, 200 blk N Main St; 5:57:07 PM, Traffic Hazard, 15000 blk Country Acres Drive; 10:07:24 PM, Assist Another Agency, 14000 blk Interstate 20 E.

THURSDAY, MARCH 23: 7:53:15 AM, Parking Violation, 3500 blk S. Main St; 9:22:18 AM, Traffic Hazard, 17000 blk Interstate 20 E; 12:34:12 PM, Public Service, 100 blk S Main St; 12:58:59 PM, Assist LISD PD, 900 blk E Hubbard St; 2:35:48 PM, Suspicious Person, 2800 blk S Main St; 3:45:29 PM, 911 Hang Up Call, 1200 blk Brad Circle; 4:10:27 PM, Fraud, 1500 blk Courtland Lane; 5:33:04 PM, Accident, 200 blk N Main St; 5:57:07 PM, Traffic Hazard, 15000 blk, Country Acres Drive; 10:07:24 PM, Assist Another Agency, 14000 blk Interstate 20 E; 12:23:55 AM, Assist SCSO, 400 blk S Main St; 12:55:39 AM, Assist Another Agency, 3500 blk S Main St; 1:00:09 AM, Suspicious Vehicle, 700 blk E South St; 9:59:47 AM, Criminal Mischief, 900 blk S Main St; 11:07:28 AM, Assault-aggravated, 100 blk E Centennial Blvd; 11:22:19 AM, Accident, E South St/Hamrick St; 3:28:58 PM, Criminal Mischief, 100 blk E Centennial Blvd; 3:39:43 PM, Accident, 2500 blk S Main St; 4:18:01 PM, Accident, 300 blk S Main St; 5:30:20 PM, Assault-Simple, 19000 blk CR 431; 8:27:37 PM, Hit & Run, 100 blk E Centennial Blvd; 10:38:28 PM, Disturbance, 13000 blk Interstate 20 W.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24: 12:23:55 AM, Assist SCSO, 400 blk S Main St; 12:55:39 AM, Assist Another Agency, 3500 blk S Main St; 1:00:09 AM, Suspicious Vehicle, 700 blk E South St; 9:59:47 AM, Criminal Mischief, 900 blk S Main St; 11:07:28 AM, Assault-aggravated, 100 blk E Centennial Blvd; 11:22:19 AM, Accident, E South St/Hamrick St; 3:28:58 PM, Criminal Mischief, 100 blk E Centennial Blvd; 3:39:43 PM, Accident, 2500 blk S Main St; 4:18:01 PM, Accident, 300 blk S Main St; 5:30:20 PM, Assault-Simple, 19000 blk CR 431; 8:27:37 PM, Hit & Run, 100 blk E Centennial Blvd; 10:38:28 PM, Disturbance, 13000 blk Interstate 20 W.

Property Taxes on farms, ranches could be reduced with appraisal

Those in the agricultural business could realize benefits with a certain type of appraisal, said Carol Dixon, chief appraiser for the Smith County Appraisal District.

“Texas farmers and ranchers can be granted property tax relief on their land. They may apply to the Smith County Appraisal District for agricultural productivity appraisal, a lower appraisal of their land based on how much they produce, versus what their land would sell for on the open market,” said Dixon.

The deadline to apply for productivity appraisal is April 30. If your land already receives agricultural or timber valuation, you do not need to reapply unless your qualifications change, or the chief appraiser requests a new application.

“If you purchased land in 2022 that is already qualified, you must reapply in your own name by April 30 to remain eligible,” Dixon said.

While agriculture does not need to be the owner’s primary business, property owners must use the land for agriculture or timber and the land’s use must meet the degree of intensity generally accepted in the area.

Owners must also show that the land

was used for this purpose at least five of the preceding seven years.

Texas law allows farmers and ranchers to use land for wildlife management and still receive the special appraisal, but the land must be qualified for agriculture use in the preceding year.

Land under wildlife management must also meet acreage size requirements and special use qualifications.

Penalties in the form of a rollback tax, or the difference between the taxes paid under productivity appraisal and the taxes that would have been paid if the land had been put on the tax roll at market value, will be imposed if qualified land is taken out of agriculture or timber production and switched to a non-agricultural use.

The rollback taxes are based on the three tax years preceding the year of change and include interest charges.

For more information about productivity appraisal and application forms, contact the Smith County Appraisal District, 245 SSE Loop 323, Tyler, (903) 510-8600. Information is also available

on the state Comptroller’s Property Tax Assistance Division’s website at comptroller.texas.gov/taxes/property-tax

County Grand Jury indicts four from Lindale

A Smith County Grand Jury handed down 97 indictments for the period of Jan. 26 through Feb. 16 with four of those being Lindale residents, said County Grand Jury Coordinator Marieliza Martinez. Lindale residents indicted

include:

- Adron Thomas, 48, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon on Nov. 13, 2022;
- Brandy Thedford, 42, burglary of a habitation on

Nov. 21, 2022;

- Colin Turner, 67, indecency with a child/sexual contact, and two counts of possession of child pornography on Oct. 27, 2022;
- Cassandra Rocha, 37, credit card or debit card abuse, Oct. 10, 2020.



County Judge speaks at Rotary

Smith County Judge Neal Franklin was the guest speaker at last week’s Lindale Rotary Club meeting and discussed the status of the construction of the new county courthouse and the parking garage as well as updates on road and bridge work in the county. (Courtesy photo)

Van Zandt County man gets jail time for drug charges

A Canton man has been sentenced to federal prison for drug trafficking violations in the Eastern District of Texas, said Davilyn Walston, publicity spokesperson for U.S. Attorney Brit Featherston.

Ashton Norris, 30, pleaded guilty on Aug. 22, 2022, to possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine and was sentenced to 97 months in federal prison today by U.S. District Judge J. Campbell Barker.

According to information presented in court, on Oct. 4, 2021, Norris was stopped on IH-20 in Van Zandt County for a defective license plate lamp. During the stop, it was discovered that Norris had an active

warrant for his arrest out of Wood County and Norris was placed under arrest.

An inventory of the vehicle after Norris was arrested revealed a backpack with approximately 103 grams of methamphetamine.

Norris was indicted by a federal grand jury on Dec. 5, 2021 and charged with federal drug trafficking violations.

This case was investigated by the Canton Police Department, the Wood County Sheriff’s Office, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jim Noble.

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Lindale boys fall to Jacksonville in Class 4A Area soccer playoffs

The Lindale Eagles' varsity boys soccer season came to an unsatisfactory conclusion this past Saturday as the Jacksonville Indians took a 3-1, Class 4A area win at Tyler's Trinity Mother Frances Rose Stadium.

Lindale ends the season with a 19-6-2 record and saw their 16-

game winning streak come to an end.

On Saturday, Jacksonville struck first with just 1:12 left before the half as Jonathan Frias booted one past Lindale goalie Donovan Pennington.

The Eagles got back in the game in the early moments of the second

half as Will Locknane tied things with a bullet from the left side.

Thanks to Pennington's heroics, the Eagles were able to maintain the tie at the 37:38 mark when he made a spectacular save on Jacksonville's Sebastian Juarez. The shot bounced off Pennington's hands but the Eagle goalkeeper dove backwards

to keep it out of the net.

At the 25:10 mark, the Indians' Jacob Gonzalez booted home the eventual game winner and a few minutes later, Christian Juarez added an insurance tally for the Indians.

Jacksonville, 21-3-2 on the season will now take part in the

Class 4A Region II Tournament, also scheduled for Trinity Mother Frances Rose Stadium and will play either Gainesville or Dallas Oak Cliff Faith Family on Friday, April 7.

The regional champion will then travel to Georgetown for the state tournament April 12-14.



Tori Cooper, Ma'Kaylin Smith, Brooke Gissell, and Kaidance Smith beat the 800 meter relay school record this past week at meet in Whitehouse. They ran a 1:52.10. Shayla Hill, Shekinah Shively, Zhanelle Geathers, and Symonne Brookins, the previous record holders, ran a 1:52.38 in 2010. (Courtesy photo)

Lindale Junior High Girls take first, second places in Whitehouse

The Lindale Junior High School girls track teams competed in Whitehouse this past week with the 7th graders bringing home first place honors with 242.5 points and the 8th grade earning second place with 188 points.

Also for the 8th graders, Madison Devisscher set a new school record in the 1600 meters with a first place time of 6:01.63. This eclipsed the previous mark set by Caroline Hill in 2010 of 6:04.43.

And the 800 meter relay team of Tori Cooper, Ma'Kaylin Smith, Brooke Gissell, and Kaidance Smith beat the 800 meter relay school record at the same meet. They ran a 1:52.10. Shayla Hill, Shekinah Shively, Zhanelle Geathers, and Symonne Brookins, the previous record holders, ran a 1:52.38 in 2010.

Results from the Whitehouse Junior High Track Meet:

7TH GRADE

(Lindale participants only)

Triple Jump – Breelynn Gordon – 1st Place (30'5"); Baylee Brooks – 4th Place (28'3")

Long Jump – Breelynn Gordon – 1st Place (14'9"); Rachel Kelley – 3rd Place (13'10"); Brooklyn Wiggins – 4th Place (13'4 1/2")

High Jump – Brooklyn Wiggins – 3rd Place (4'4"); Rachel Kelley – 4th Place (4'4"); Baylee Brooks – 5th Place (4'2")

Pole Vault – Dylan Grace – 2nd Place (6'6"); Bella Bunton – 3rd Place (6'0"); Baylee Brooks – 4th Place (5'6")

Discus – Harper Kinney – 4th Place – (55'1 3/4"); KayLea Williams – 5th Place (53'8 1/2")

Shot Put – Harper Kinney – 3rd Place – (28'3"); Zaidyn Chamberlain – 4th Place – (27'10 1/2")

2400 Run – Kyleigh Harrison – 3rd Place – (10:33.17); Lucy Michels – 6th Place – (11:27.69)

400 Relay – Makynli Zemer, Breelynn Gordon, Baylee Brooks, Brooklyn Wiggins – 1st Place (54.52)

800 Run – Madison Hopson – 1st Place (2:40.75); Harper Lewis – 5th Place (2:51.60)

100 Hurdles – Rachel Kelley – 1st Place (18.78); Joclyn Grogan – 2nd Place (19.90); Dylan Grace – 3rd Place (20.17)

100 Dash – Breelynn Gordon – 1st Place (13.61); Makynli Zemer – 3rd Place (13.93)

800 Relay – Alayna Ogden, Tiana Silva, Baylee Brooks, Brooklyn Wiggins – 1st Place (1:57.96)

400 Run – Madison Hopson – 1st Place (1:07.93); Alayna Ogden – 4th Place (1:11.79); Addyson Hance – 6th Place (1:12.68)

300 Hurdles – Rachel Kelley – 1st Place (54.68); Joclyn Grogan – 5th Place (1:00.50); Dylan Grace – 6th Place (1:02.91)

200 Dash – Brooklyn Wiggins – 1st Place (28.45)

1600 Run – Bailey Parsons – 3rd Place (6:38.00)

1600 Relay – Makynli Zemer, Breelynn Gordon, Madison Hopson, Alayna Ogden – 1st Place (4:41.07)

LEADING SCORERS

Breelynn Gordon – 40 Points
Rachel Kelley – 30 Points
Brooklyn Wiggins – 30 Points
Madison Hopson – 25 Points
Baylee Brooks – 20 Points
Makynli Zemer – 16 Points



Madison Devisscher beat the 1600 meter school record this past week running a 6:01.63 at a meet at Whitehouse Junior High School. Caroline Hill, the previous record holder, ran a 6:04.43 in 2010. (Courtesy photo)

8TH GRADE RESULTS

(Lindale participants only)

Triple Jump – Kyndal Thurmon – 4th Place (31'8"); Ella Hutchens – 6th Place (30'7 3/4")

Long Jump – Ella Hutchens – 6th Place (14'1 1/4")

High Jump – Brooke Gissell – 2nd Place (4'6"); Ma'Kaylin Smith – 4th Place (4'4"); Lilly Johnson – 6th Place (4'2")

Pole Vault – Caydence Thompson – 3rd Place (7'0"); Julianne Schlensker – 3rd Place (7'0")

Discus – Ella Hutchens – 1st Place (90'1 1/2"); Emma Watkins – 2nd Place (76'7")

Shot Put – Ella Hutchens – 2nd Place (33'2 1/2"); Lexi Pinson – 3rd Place (32'3")

2400 Run – Madison Devisscher – 2nd Place (9:46.50); Bella Van Dyke – 4th Place (10:41.33); Bernadette Malmgren – 5th Place (10:43.66)

400 Relay – Tori Cooper, Ma'Kaylin Smith, Brooke Gissell, Kaidance Smith – 2nd Place (52.36)

800 Run – Morgan Myrick – 5th Place (2:52.90); Brooke Lewis – 6th Place (2:53.89)

100 Hurdles – Kyndal Thurmon – 1st Place (16.79); Lilly Johnson – 2nd Place (17.23); Caydence Thompson – 6th Place (17.98)

800 Relay – Tori Cooper, Ma'Kaylin Smith, Brooke Gissell, Kaidance Smith – 1st Place (1:52.10)

400 Run – Ahlyvia Luwizhi – 4th Place (1:08.30); Ella Hutchens – 6th Place (1:10.81)

300 Hurdles – Kyndal Thurmon – 1st Place (50.31); Lilly Johnson – 4th Place (54.75); Addyson Daughtry – 5th Place (55.65)

200 Dash – Brooke Gissell – 2nd Place (27.57); Kaidance Smith – 4th Place (28.25)

1600 Run – Madison Devisscher – 1st Place (6:01.63); Bella Van Dyke – 5th Place (6:45.00); Bernadette Malmgren – 6th Place (6:47.00)

1600 Relay – Ahlyvia Luwizhi, Brooke Lewis, Kyndal Thurmon, Ma'Kaylin Smith – 3rd Place (4:37.15)

Leading Scorers

Kyndal Thurmon – 27 Points
Brooke Gissell – 23 Points
Ella Hutchens – 21 Points
Madison Devisscher – 18 Points

Eagle netters win district, set for regionals

The Lindale High School Eagles boys and girls tennis teams have captured another District 16-4A championship and will be sending 13 players to the regional tournament April 10-13 in Longview.

Last year's LHS tennis teams advanced to the UIL state quarterfinals.

This year's team captured the overall championship as well as the boys and girls championships.

Regional qualifiers, with district standing, are:

GIRLS SINGLES: Bailee Lane, 1st
BOYS DOUBLES: Emilio Rodriguez, Soren Peterson and Hayden Harry, 1st

GIRLS DOUBLES: Taegan Michel and Bre Taylor, 1st

BOYS DOUBLES: Syllas Dutton and Ian Wishart, 2nd

GIRLS SINGLES: Zoe Bozick, 2nd

GIRLS DOUBLES: Recci Morgan, Bailey Thorn, 2nd

MIXED DOUBLES: Jason Herrington, Fiona Turney, 2nd

Special April events planned at state parks

The Centennial Celebration of Texas State Parks is in full swing as spring brings more Texans outdoors and to commemorate 100 years, every state park will host at least one special community event during the 2023 Centennial year, along with regular park events all year long.

In April, state parks across Texas will host a variety of events, including several that commemorate Earth Day. Everyone is invited to join in the fun.

April 14 – 16

Caddo Lake State Park (East Texas, northeast of Marshall) Caddo Homecoming!

Celebrate 100 years of Texas State Parks and 30 years of conservation with the Caddo Lake Institute during this week-end-long event. Walk into yesteryear at Caddo Lake State Park and try your hand at canoeing, fishing, games, art, and even a sock hop. Decorate your campsite with a retro theme, visit an outreach table or local presentation, and enjoy events and activities all weekend long. The event will run from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

April 15

Ray Roberts Lake State Park - Isle Du Bois Unit (north of Dallas-Fort Worth) Greenfest on the Greenbelt

Come celebrate 100 Years of Texas State Parks at Greenfest 2023, presented by the Greenbelt Alliance of Denton County. Greenfest includes a 5k run, a 1-mile fun run and a family festival centered around health, wellness, and outdoor recreation. The event will run from 7:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Mustang Island State Park (near Corpus Christi)

Mustang Island State Park - Explore the Shore

Help Texas State Parks celebrate 100 years of providing outdoor camping, fishing, and hunting. State parks are rolling out the red carpet and inviting all interested visitors to see their parks from a new perspective. Mustang Island will offer a large array of interpretive events throughout the day where visitors can come and go and explore their shore. The event will run from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Martin Creek Lake State Park (East Texas, southeast of Longview) Bait and Boats

Join us for an introduction to water-based recreation. Start your morning off by attending our Fishing 101 course to show new users the basics of fishing. Test your new skills on the water by participating in our fishing derby. Wrap up your day on the water, as park rangers guide a sunset paddle in kayaks and canoes around the island. Equipment available by reservation. The event will run from 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

South Llano River State Park (near Junction, West of San Antonio) 100 Years at South Llano River

Join us as we celebrate the Texas Hill Country and Walter Buck, Jr., who donated this land to TPWD. There will be various activities for the family; we are also making a 100-year celebration quilt. The event will run from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Dinosaur Valley State Park (near Glen Rose, southwest of Dallas-Fort Worth) Annual Spring Wing Ding

Join us as we celebrate everything migratory and with wings. We will have ranger programs, self-guided activities, arts and crafts, hikes and nature walks and much more. The event will run from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Bonham State Park (northeast of Dallas-Fort Worth) Texas State Parks 100-Year Celebration

Celebrate this 100-year milestone with us at Bonham State Park. We will have various natural and cultural table talks and activities for all to enjoy including identifying fossils, a Bois 'd Arc Trail CCC hike and a backyard bass program. The event will run from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

McKinney Falls State Park (near Austin)

McKinney Falls Fest: 100-year Celebration

Come out to the park for a fun day full of guided hikes, guided fishing, live music, food

trucks, activity booths and more. We will be celebrating all things Texas Hill Country — joining us is Austin Wildlife Rescue, the Buffalo Soldiers, TreeFolks, Snakes of Hays County, Earth Native, Bat Conservation International and many more. The event will run from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Lake Whitney State Park (northwest of Waco) Star Party in the Park

Enjoy an evening in the park viewing the galaxy by using star maps, a laser pointer and telescope. Retired National Park Ranger and Astronomer Larry Smith will guide you through the planets, moon and stars. The event will run from 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

April 22

Mission Tejas State Park (East Texas, west of Nacogdoches) 16th Annual Folk Festival at Mission Tejas

Kick back and take a trip back in time. Explore the festival grounds beneath the pines and interact with presenters that bring our past to life. Learn about the crafts, skills, trades and history that helped early Texans survive. There is fun for the whole family, with many activities for all ages. The event will run from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Village Creek State Park (north of Beaumont) Village Creek Fun Day

Join us as we celebrate 100 years of Texas State Parks. Our fun day will feature activities for all ages including primitive skills practice, paddling tutorials, archery, yoga, fishing, guided hikes and more. There will also be a Camping with a Ranger overnight event that night. The event will run from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Big Bend Ranch State Park (far West Texas) Airstrip Astronomy

Join us for an exciting night of stargazing, astrophotography and astronomy-based oral history at the Saucedo Airstrip. You will view the night sky with your eyes, through the lens of telescopes with amateur astronomers, and learn the basics of night sky photography, all accompanied by a narrative transporting you through space and time. Limited camping on the airstrip is available by reservation only. The event will run from 6-10:30 p.m.

Pedernales Falls State Park (Johnson City, west of Austin) Celebration under the Stars

Come celebrate 100 years of State Parks with a party under the stars. We'll have stargazing with constellations, deep sky objects and planets. Other nighttime activities include a camping demonstration, a nocturnal wildlife table and a nighttime sensory testing station. Night-sky-friendly lighting will also be demonstrated. The event will run from 7:30-10:30 p.m.

April 29

Goose Island State Park (in Rockport, near Corpus Christi) Goose Island Extravaganza

Join us in the celebration of 100 years in Texas State Parks. Activities include fishing, archery, kayaking, a star party, demonstrations, food and more. A Star Party will be held that evening. This event will run from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

In addition to these Centennial celebrations, several state parks will be commemorating Earth Day with special events on April 22, including an Earth Day Extravaganza at Ray Roberts Lake, an Earth Day Park Pick-Up at Martin Creek Lake, a Hawk Watch at Bentsen-Rio Grande Valley, an Adopt-a-Beach event at Sea Rim and a Wildscape Work Day at Sheldon Lake.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation is partnering with TPWD and H-E-B to celebrate 100 years of Texas State Parks. H-E-B, the presenting sponsor of the celebration, has donated \$1 million to help Texas State Parks engage all Texans in discovering and enjoying their state parks.

For more information on the Centennial Celebration, including community events, the history of Texas State Parks and how to make a day visit or overnight reservation, visit the Texas State Parks 100 Years website at TexasStateParks.org/100years.

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Constable Hicks honored by county commissioners

By Casey Murphy
Smith County Public Information Officer

Two Smith County employees were honored during Commissioners Court Tuesday for 25 years of service and Precinct 5 Constable Wesley Hicks was honored for his 10 years of service.

Hicks began his Smith County career at the Sheriff's Office before going to work for the Constable's Office. He was appointed to Constable of Precinct 5 on Oct. 6, 2022.

Commissioner Terry Phillips said it was one of the easiest appointments to make for the Commissioners Court because Hicks is exactly what the community looks for in a constable.

"Thank you for your service and we look forward to your many years of service in the Lindale area," Phillips said.

Hicks has 13 years of experience in law enforcement and 16 years as an emergency medical technician, emergency medical dispatcher and supervisor. Hicks worked as Deputy Constable for Precinct 5 for three years. Before that, he worked from 2013-2019, for the Smith County Sheriff's Office, as a Patrol Deputy, Patrol Sergeant and then Lieutenant.

He also worked for the Sheriff's Office as a 9-1-1 Dispatcher and reserve deputy from 1992-1995.

He was a volunteer firefighter with the Lindale Fire Department, from 1990-2013, working his way up to Assistant Chief.

Bridget Pryor has worked for the Adult Probation Department for 25 years.

Supervisor Kasey Philpot said Pryor started as a probation officer in misdemeanor court before working in now retired 114th District Judge Cynthia Kent's court for 12 years.

She has worked in the Child Support Unit since 2011 and serves as the court officer for child support cases in all three county courts-at-law. She also teaches life skills classes to probationers.

Pryor said the life skills classes help offenders learn the abilities for adaptive and positive behavior that enable them to deal effectively with the demands and challenges of life.

She said she loves her job and helping others to become and develop into active and productive members of the community.

"She loves her job and loves helping others," Philpot said. "She's a valued member of Adult Probation and we look forward to her working for us for many more years to come."

Pryor said she started working for Smith County when she was 22 and plans to continue her career with Smith County for a long time.

She said she loves her co-workers and the friendly atmosphere in the office that motivates her to go to work every day.

25 YEARS

La'Rita Arthur Chappel was recognized for 25 years of service with the Juvenile Services Department.

"A quarter of a century ago, she came to Smith County via California and started as a detention officer," Juvenile Services Director Ross Worley said.

She soon became a supervisor and when Worley was appointed 20 years ago, Chappel took his hand and showed him the way.

He said she has forgotten more about juvenile probation than he would ever know. She has trained hundreds of officers and impacted the lives of hundreds of children.

"We appreciate her service," he said.

15 YEARS

Amber Scripsick was honored for 15 years of service with the Adult Probation Department.

Supervisor Diana Morales said she and Scripsick have grown up together, first as baby officers and now as senior officers, for the department.

Scripsick began working for Adult Probation as a misdemeanor community supervision officer in 2008, then moved to felonies and now supervises the most intensive



Smith County Commissioners recognized Bridget Pryor for her 25 years of service with the Adult Probation Office this past week during their regular meeting. Seen with Pryor is supervisor Kasey Philpot. (Courtesy photo)

cases that require heavy supervision and weekly reporting, Morales said, adding that she has also received awards for her work and has a master's degree in counseling.

"She is a creative and innovative employee in our department and we are grateful for your service," she said.

District Attorney's Officer Investigator Jordan Sickman was honored for 10 years with the county.

District Attorney Jacob Putman said as an investigator, Ms. Sickman works to find witnesses and

schedule them for trial, which is hard work. "I want to recognize her and her hard work," he said.

Other employees celebrating work anniversaries this month include:

20 Years: Hope Woods, Sheriff's Office

15 Years: Cathy Sowell, Tax Office

10 Years: Tony Rucker, Sheriff's Office

5 Years: Braylon Barnes, Sheriff's Office; Kenneth Perkins, Juvenile Services

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APRIL BUSY MONTH FOR LIBRARY

Library plans Open House April 25 for ET Giving Day

The Lillie Russell Memorial Library’s April schedule is packed with activities and events, highlighted by an Open House scheduled on April 25 to coincide with East Texas Giving Day, officials announced.

Library officials kicked off the Early Giving Day on April 4th with early giving. On April 25th, the ETGD giving challenge will officially begin with 18 hours of online giving but those wishing to donate early can do so during the rest of the month.

Donations can be made to participating nonprofits which can be found on www.east-texasgivingday.org.

The Library’s Open House will offer sparkling drinks, live guitar music, a tour of the library and some cute goats, officials said.


Other LRMR events for April include:

- FRIDAY, APRIL 7: Storytime and an Easter Egg Hunt, 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- SATURDAY, APRIL 8: TAB Cake Pan Assembly, 10 a.m.-12 noon; Therapet by appointment only.
- TUESDAY, APRIL 11: Adult Game Day, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12: TAB meeting, 3:45 p.m.
- THURSDAY, APRIL 13: AARP, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; Teen Literacy Blackout Poetry, 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Yarn Club, 4 p.m.-5 p.m.
- FRIDAY, APRIL 14: Storytime, “Hats,” wear your hats, 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- SUNDAY, APRIL 16: Friends of the Library meeting, 2 p.m.
- TUESDAY, APRIL 18: Adult Game Day, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19: UT Tyler Lifestyle Class, (virtual), 10 a.m.-11 a.m.
- THURSDAY, APRIL 20: Yarn Club, 4 p.m.-5 p.m.
- FRIDAY, APRIL 21: Storytime, “Earth Day,” 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- SATURDAY, APRIL 22: Therapet by appointment only.
- TUESDAY, APRIL 25: East Texas Giving Day concludes with Library Open House, 6 p.m.-8 p.m.
- THURSDAY, APRIL 27: Yarn Club, 4 p.m.-5 p.m.
- FRIDAY, APRIL 28: Storytime, “Ducks,” wear yellow, 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.


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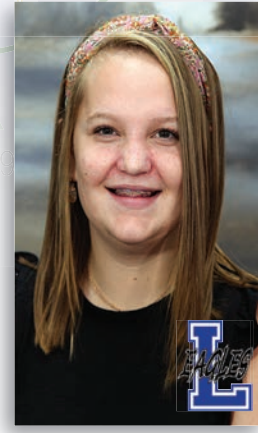
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HANNAH EVANS is the daughter of Ashley and Raymond Evans. She is the president of the student council and a member of the National Honor Society. She is also a member of the varsity cheerleading team, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the Tyler Junior College Promise program. Hannah believes she is impacting the world by seeking opportunities to serve her community through her club involvement and inspiring younger children to make a positive impact with their lives. She plans to attend Texas A&M University and study biomedicine. Hannah’s future goals include working as a veterinarian.



SARAH KRAMER is the daughter of Dr. Stephanie Jutant and Jitze Kramer. She is the president of the treble choir and a leader of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She is also a member of the National Honor Society, chorale, speech and debate club, and a volunteer with her church and Mercy Ships. Sarah believes she is impacting the world by standing for justice and peace, helping people in need, and serving the families in her community any way she can. She plans to attend the University of North Texas and study education. Sarah’s future goals include teaching languages and working as a school principal.



LAUREN VANANDEL is the daughter of Dr. Rodney and Mindy Van Anel. She is a drum major and squad leader for the marching band and a member of the National Honor Society. She is also a member of the concert band, Future Farmers of America, Model United Nations, Key Club, and the Lindale Independent School District Occupational Outreach Program. Lauren believes she is impacting the world by founding a program that helps students with disabilities find employment by partnering with local businesses. She plans to attend Abilene Christian University and study high school education and youth ministry. Lauren’s future goals include working as a secondary education teacher and a youth and family pastor.

Texas Bank and Trust celebrates the thirteenth anniversary of the Lindale Student Board of Directors, recognizing outstanding seniors from Lindale High School who have demonstrated academic excellence, leadership, and a commitment to community service. We are proud to introduce the following members of the 2022-2023 Student Board.
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First Baptist Church in Swan
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Service 10:45 a.m.

Come Celebrate the *Resurrection of Jesus Christ* Casual Dress Moving Worship & Biblical Principles For Your Life

April 9th, 2023

Message of Hope
 Pastor Jeremiah Doligener

Music: Jessica Doligener
 Praise & Worship Leader

Special Word:
 Pastor Frank Starks

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