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## House OKs \$4.5 billion for teacher pay raises

The Texas House last Thursday passed two education-related bills, one that allocates \$4.5 billion for teacher pay raises and another to increase the annual per-student base funding from \$6,160 to \$6,300 – a 2.3% increase.

The Austin American-Statesman reported the bill would create minimum salaries for teachers ranging from \$35,000 to \$63,000 depending on experience and level of education. It would also increase funding for special education and fine arts.

Some education advocates worry the per-student funding is insufficient to keep up with inflation, which has grown by 17% in the last four years, the Statesman reported.

The bill also creates a method to adjust the per-student funding for inflation every other year, starting in 2025.

## Bill calls for armed officers at all schools

A bill that would require school districts to place at least one armed officer on each campus has passed the Texas House, the Statesman reported. The measure comes almost a year after a gunman killed 19 children and two teachers in a mass shooting in Uvalde last May.

Any officer or school employee would have to complete handgun safety training. The measure also requires at least one audit for intruder detection each year in all districts. The state would provide at least \$100 per student and \$15,000 per campus to maintain and improve school safety.

State Sen. Roland Gutierrez, D-San Antonio, has filed several gun control measures in that chamber that have yet to receive a hearing. Gutierrez represents Uvalde and says more needs to be done besides the House measure.

## Commissioners appoint NET RMA board member

Smith County Commissioners reappointed Marsha Daugherty to another two-year term to the Board of Directors of the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority during their regular weekly meeting on April 25.

Commissioners unanimously approved her reappointment. County Judge Neal Franklin said that Kevin Fowler had also applied for the position.

Her term will end Jan. 31, 2025.

NETRMA is an independent government agency designed to "accelerate the development of infrastructure projects in North East Texas," according to its web site.

Established in 2004, NETRMA is governed by 21 members on its board of directors from Bowie, Camp, Cass, Cherokee, Gregg, Harrison, Kaufman, Panola, Rusk, Smith, Titus, Upshur and Van Zandt and Wood counties.

These RMAs were established across the state after an initiative was passed by the legislature in 2001.

NET RMA oversees Loop 49 and the Lindale Bypass Route which was opened in 2018. This section of the toll road covers just under seven miles and connects I-20 to U.S. 69 north of Lindale.

Commissioners also heard a presentation from David Quin, Program Manager of Texas Conference of Urban Counties Public Power Pool concerning the group's new electricity contract for Smith County.

Quin said the power pool, created in 2002, "has saved counties more than \$194 million" in that time and manages more than 3,200 different accounts across Texas.

It serves several neighboring counties of Smith County, Quin said as well as 95 political subdivisions.

Since 2019 when Smith County first joined the group, the county has saved approximately \$944,000.

The group reaches out to negotiate new contracts with each entity which will be of the best benefit to each county, Quin said.

Quin said that due to considerable uncertainty in the market place, this year's rate for the county will be \$1.94 million, an increase of \$375,000 from last year.

Precinct 3 Commissioner Terry Phillips pointed out this was still a good deal for the county.

"This is really, really cheap," he said. "It's hard to get this with the delivery (costs) and everything."

Quin agreed - "Yes, this is significantly less than what residential customers are paying. We will always do our dead level best to get the cheapest price possible."



## Eagles grab district title with 2nd win over Van

With a second straight win over the Van Vandals on Friday, April 28 by the score of 4-2, the Lindale High School Eagles captured the 16-4A baseball championship with a 9-1 mark.

The Eagles are scheduled to take on the third place team in 15-4A, Pittsburg, on Saturday, May 6 in bi-district.

Lindale is now 19-6-1 for the season.

This past Friday in Lindale, the Eagles and Vandals were tied 1-1 after one, and fell behind 2-1 going into the bottom of the fifth. But the Eagles put the game away with three runs to secure the district title.

Leading the way at the plate, Hudson Legrow slapped out two hits, while Ty McCoy, Jacob Curbow, Ryan Betts, Carson Plunkett, Jake Powell and Kaden Fleming each added a hit apiece.

Legrow was the winning pitcher as well, allowing just five hits, striking out six and walking just two in his seven innings of work.

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The previous week, Lindale defeated the Vandals in Van. **Lindale 9, Van 7**

Miles Keith slugged a homer and a double among his three hits to help the Lindale High School Eagles take a 9-7 win over Van this past week in Van.

With the victory, Lindale improved to 8-1 in District

16-4A and 18-6-1 overall.

The Eagles sit atop the league standings with a one-game lead over Brownsboro and Van, both at 7-2.

Against the Vandals, the Eagles fell behind 4-1 after the first, but chipped away with runs in each of the next six innings.

A three-run second tied the game, and single runs in the third, fourth and fifth built a 7-6 lead after five.

In the sixth, the Eagles scored two more and held off the Vandals in the sixth and seventh.

Adding offense for the Eagles were Kaden Fleming with a double and two singles, Ryan Betts with two singles and a double, Jake Powell contributed a pair of singles, Carson Plunkett slugged a double and a single and Ty McCoy had a double.

Betts went four innings and collected the win, allowing six hits and six runs, five earned. He fanned six. Waggoner posted the save in three innings of work with four strikeouts and a walk.

**LINDALE 9, ATHENS 0 (April 18)**  
**LINDALE 7, ATHENS 3 (April 21)**

In other district action, the Eagles took a pair from Athens, 7-0 on April 18 in Lindale and 9-3 on April 21 in Athens. In the first game, the Eagles scored three in the third, two more in the fourth and two in the sixth to complete the win.

## Lindale netters fall at UIL tournament

Lindale High School's run in the state UIL tennis tournament ended this past week (April 25) at Annemarie Tennis Center in San Antonio with all six participants suffering losses.

Players from Lindale included Taegan Michel, Breanna Taylor, Bailee Lane, Emilio Rodriguez, Soren Peterson and Hayden Harry.

In girls singles, Bailee Lane defeated Jessie Stephen of Wichita Falls, 6-3 and 6-4 in the quarterfi-

nals before falling in the semifinals to Rylee Michna of Taylor, 6-0 and 6-0.

The girls doubles team of Taegan Michel and Breanna Taylor downed Pierce and Cook from Wimberley, 6-4 and 6-2 before falling in the semifinals to Lightner and Lightner of Bullard, 4-6, 6-4 and 6-1.

The Bullard duo went on to win the championship on Wednesday.

In boys doubles, Soren Peterson

and Hayden Harry knocked off Scott and Warren of Gatesville, 6-3, 4-6 and 6-2 before losing in the semifinals to Gonzalez and Gonzalez of Boerne, 6-2, 4-6 and 6-4.

In boys singles, John Moore of Wemberley High School defeated Emilio Rodriguez, 7-5, 3-6 and 7-6.

## Thank a teacher on this very special week

As we honor our local teachers this next week during Teacher Appreciation Week - May 8-12 - it is seem appropriate for us to have some homework and learn jutt how teaching began.

Teaching is one of the oldest professions – in 561BC, the first private teacher in history was one of the most learned men of all time, Confucius. In Ancient Greece, there was huge value placed on educating children, and in the 1600s the Pilgrims also placed a similar emphasis on the practice.

By the 19th century, politicians began to believe that education was needed for political order, and elementary through college education was widespread and public, and the need for teachers has been growing ever since!

Though the origins of Teacher Appreciation Week are somewhat murky, it's clear that it was in 1944 that an Arkansas school teacher, Mattye White Woodridge, wrote to politicians and educational professionals about the demand for a day to appreciate teachers. However, it wasn't for nearly a decade until the idea was introduced to Congress by none other than Eleanor Roosevelt. In 1953, she was successful in convincing lawmakers to adopt the day.

After the National Education Association (NEA) and Kansas and Indiana state affiliates lobbied Congress again to create National Teacher Day on March 7, 1980, they continued to observe it yearly even though Congress did not. They did this until 1985 when the Assembly transformed the single day into the first full week of May.

Teacher Appreciation Day is described by the NEA, which spearheads the weeklong event, as "a day for honoring teachers and recognizing the lasting contributions they make to our lives." Each year they provide social media kits, printable teacher achievement certificates, contests, and gift suggestions to help teachers feel all the appreciation we have for them.

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# OPINION/COMMENTARY

## Teachers are heroes...

One of my earliest memories is playing school. I was three to four years old and my chubby little hands held chalk as I sat at my 'desk' while my Mom did physical therapy with my handicapped brother. As she worked with him she would call out letters for me to make on my chalkboard.

Growing up on a ranch with no playmates except my rowdy boy cousins nearby meant that I spent a great deal of my spare time reading whatever I could get my hands on.

Friday was 'town' day when I was out of school and one of my favorite stops was the local library where I checked out the maximum number of books each week. I loved the crisp feel of those colorful library book covers.

Then there were the summer Weekly Reader magazines. I can still recall what they smelled like.

My grandmother who taught in a one room school house would rock and tell me stories. She also bought me special books at the 'dime' store.

Between my teacher grandmother and my school secretary Mom, coupled with a passionate love for the written word it was inevitable that I would become a teacher.

I wish I could say that I had a phenomenal public school education. I can't.

But I can say that my first grade teacher Mrs. McQuary was a phenom. My 2nd and 3rd grade teacher Jeffie Hagle (how could I forget that name?) must have been good but I remember her affectionate nature and her hair most vividly. I think I could bounce quarters off that 'do'. That was it until I had the lovely and dedicated young teacher Anita Murray for junior high English. She cared. About junior high kids. Can you imagine that?

In high school there were three dedicated teachers who fought the good fight against the apathy, ignorance and laziness of their students. Nervous Mavis Bennett taught me to type fast and accurately. As a result I was able to work my way through college in clerical rather than food service jobs. I got every job I applied for thanks to Mrs. Bennett's attention to speed and accuracy.

Ettie Belle Robinson, a tragic and romantic spinster (she lost her fiance in WWII and wore her engagement ring on her right hand) dug in and taught the country girls to sew,

## The Best of Suzanne Bardwell



cook, decorate, dress appropriately for interviews and made sure we had every Red Cross certification that teenagers could qualify. She was special and we took her for granted.

But it was Gertrude Russell who lit my intellectual fire. She was a 65-year old widow who came to my high school when her other school had forced retirement for all teachers at 65. Her son, a Vietnam War combat pilot was a POW in the Hanoi Hilton.

She took her fears, her loneliness and her need for purpose and taught a bunch of hard-headed, previously intellectually unchallenged country kids to the best of her ability. I had the privilege of her influence for three years of high school. Then she was forced to resign because of disgruntled parents. Needless to say they weren't mine.

She and the school librarian argued about book orders. The librarian saying: "None of these kids will read these books." Mrs. Russell said: "Suzie Brown will!"

And I did. Because smart-aleck that I was, I respected Mrs. Russell. As a result, a world was opened and when I got to college, despite graduating with only 15 students, I found myself prepared.

And inspired. I taught public school for 33 years because of Mom, Mam'ma and Mrs. Russell. The teachers in my life who touched my future. In turn I have taught somewhere in the neighborhood of 4,000 students in my career as a public school and community college teacher. I just pray I have touched their lives just a bit as mine was touched.

To all the teachers in the trenches: you are my heroes! Do not let the testing, the pressure, the exhaustion, the discipline problems take your eyes off of the truth that you write the future for generations.

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What a gift you hold in your hands. What a gift you are!

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## THE ECONOMIST

By Dr. M. Ray Perryman

### All of the Above

While it is widely known that Texas is a key producer of oil and natural gas, many are unaware that the state is also a leader in green energy. The installed capacity in renewables has been growing at a rapid pace, and, barring artificial obstacles, this pattern will likely continue.

Globally, renewable capacity grew from less than 1.6 million megawatts (MW) in 2013 to nearly 3.4 million in 2022. In the United States, wind and utility-scale solar power expanded by about 328% over that period. In Texas, wind capacity more than tripled, and solar capacity went from almost none to more than 8,820 MW.

Texas ranks first among US states for installed wind capacity by a wide margin. In 2021, the state's capacity was 35,969 MW, more than all but four countries (China, the US, Germany, and India). Texas is also adding more than any other state, with an increase of 3,343 MW in 2021. Wind supplies about one-fifth of the state's utility-scale generation, a substantial share though well below the almost 50% provided by natural gas.

Moreover, Texas has 8,820 MW of utility-scale solar capacity, second only to California with 13,579 MW. However, Texas is increasing solar facilities much faster of late, and the differential will narrow or disappear if that momentum persists. When small-scale facilities are included, Texas solar capacity nearly doubled in 2021, rising from 5,987 to 10,329 MW and accounting for about 3% of the state's total electricity generation.

These gains in green power have reduced emissions significantly, which is a critical benefit. They also frequently help to keep prices attractive. On a breezy and mild spring day, wholesale electricity prices can drop to extremely low levels.

One potential downside of this expansion is the intermittent nature of wind and sunshine, which can cause problems in assuring reliable electricity supplies under adverse weather conditions. Although batteries are being installed at a notable pace and the related technology is improving, there are not enough of them to bridge the gaps (nor will there likely be for quite some time). Consequently, we must also support the responsible growth of base capacity from other fuels (primarily natural gas) – an "all of the above" strategy that recognizes the realities of a dynamic and growing population and economy with a solid footing in many power-intensive sectors.

In addition to its widely recognized energy resources resting deep under the soil, Texas has abundant wind and vast expanses of vacant lands where the sun shines with great regularity. Strides are also being made in hydrogen and other emerging energy sources. We will need all of them to meet our long-term needs, and policymakers need to be aware of this incontrovertible fact. Stay safe!

## Voters may decide fate of broadband

Voters could decide whether the state should invest \$5 billion to expand internet availability if a bill passed last week by the Texas House makes it through the Senate. House Bill 9, sponsored by state Rep. Trent Ashby, R-Lufkin, would create the Texas Broadband Infrastructure Fund, the Texas Tribune reported.

"This bill will have a measurable impact on each one of your districts," Ashby said last week on the House floor. "No matter whether they be urban, suburban or rural."

Nearly 7 million Texans do not have reliable broadband service, a fact hammered home during the pandemic, when connectivity often was crucial for schools and people trying to work from home. However, state Comptroller Glenn Hegar said in March that it would take closer to \$10 billion to get all Texans connected.

The state is also expected to receive federal dollars for broadband expansion out of the infrastructure package passed by Congress in 2021, though it is unknown how much Texas will receive out of the \$42.45 billion allocated for broadband expansion. The state will need to match one-fourth of whatever it receives from the federal government.

### Annual fee for EV owners goes to Gov

A bill requiring electrical vehicle owners to pay a \$200 annual fee to the state has passed both chambers and sent to Gov. Greg Abbott, The Dallas Morning News reported. Backers of the bill say the higher vehicle registration fees are needed because EV owners don't pay fuel taxes built into the price of fuel and used to fund the state's highway system. The state fuel tax on both gasoline and diesel is 20 cents per gallon.

Opponents of the bill say it would slow the expansion of EVs in the state, which pollute less than vehicles using carbon-based fuels.

They also note the fuel tax funds just 29% of what is spent on Texas highways.

"The primary cause of the road funding shortfall in Texas has nothing to do with EVs, but rather with the fact that Texas has not increased their gas tax since 1991," Dylan Jaff, sustainability policy analyst with Consumer Reports, said in a memo.

### Fentanyl test strip bill stalls in Senate

A bipartisan effort to decriminalize the use of fentanyl test strips has stalled in a Texas Senate committee after passing the Texas House with near unanimous support, The Morning News reported. The bill also has the backing of Abbott.

State Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston, chairs the criminal justice committee. He said some members fear making the test strips legal would lead to more people feeling confident about using dangerous drugs.

Fentanyl is often mixed with more expensive drugs such as heroin, leading to thousands of fatal overdoses, including more than 5,000 in Texas from July 2021 to July 2022.

"It's just illogical, but there's a belief by some

members that it might safeguard the use," Whitmire said.

The testing strips are currently treated as drug paraphernalia. The strips are used to test for the presence of fentanyl in other drugs.

### Disaster declaration partially approved

President Joe Biden has partially approved the state's request for a major disaster declaration for counties affected by an ice storm in late January.

The original request included 23 counties, but 13 were given access to funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency — Bastrop, Blanco, Burleson, Burnet, Hays, Henderson, Kendall, Lee, Leon, Milam, Robertson, Travis and Williamson. The ice storm damaged millions of trees, particularly in the Austin area, and caused widespread power outages throughout Central Texas. A total of 350,000 people in Texas were without power at some point, according to Spectrum News 1.

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# Abuse truth, fairness at your own risk

It's almost never a good thing when the boss, in this case my first publisher, says he'd like to see you in his office.

As a rather damp-behind-the-ears aspiring journalist, I had made the mistake of not being even-handed in a story concerning strikers and their issues with the local phone company. It was indeed one-sided, and I fell on my sword.

That was a valuable learning experience, one that (hopefully) I've remembered in the four decades since.

Which brings us to the firing of former Fox "news" blowhard Tucker Carlson. While his ridiculous screeds made my brain hurt, his platform on the now shamed far-right Fox "news" channel allowed him to influence millions upon millions of gullible people who still believe the 2020 election was stolen from their hero and the Jan. 6 insurrection was a peaceable gathering of "tourists."

Word has it that Fox Corp. majordomo Rupert Murdoch personally pulled the plug on his star attraction, which was at first deemed fallout from the network having to pay nearly \$800 million in a defamation suit to Dominion Voting Systems.

He was one of several Fox employees, including Boss Murdoch, who were supposed to testify in the



**Terry Cannon**  
Editor

case prior to the settlement. Others included Murdoch's son Lachlan (Fox's CEO), Fox "news" CEO Suzanne Scott and another Fox host, Maria Bartiromo.

Carlson's emails were revealed as part of court filings in the Dominion case and included not just the tripe mentioned above but also his criticisms of Fox's management. In those emails, Carlson's hypocrisy was laid bare when he wrote of his distaste of The Defeated President and used profanity when describing TDP lawyer Sidney Powell, whom he labeled a "psychopath."

Yet as things started to shake out, it wasn't just these revelations that helped bring his Fox career to a halt.

It also had to deal with a discrimination lawsuit filed by former Fox producer Abby Grossberg, who was fired last month. She alleges she was bullied, subjected to antisemitic comments and learned "she had merely traded in one overtly misogynistic work environment for an even crueller one - this time one

where unprofessionalism reigned supreme and the staff's distaste for women infiltrated almost every network decision."

"Tucker Carlson's departure from Fox News is, in part, an admission of the systemic lying, bullying, and conspiracy-mongering claimed by our client, former top producer, Abby Grossberg," said Tanvir Rahman, one of Grossberg's attorneys.

Murdoch, reportedly, was also concerned about Carlson's ridiculous claims on the Jan. 6 insurrection, where he promoted the inane notion that those traitors were actually provoked by government agents. He even said Ray Epps, a Texan who was one those storming the Capitol that day, was actually an FBI plant. Carlson, of course, said all this without one speck of proof.

A few months ago, House Speaker Kevin McCarthy provided Carlson with security tapes from the insurrection of which the now-fired host said: "The footage does not show an insurrection or riot in progress."

There are still millions of

us who watched that horror unfold on live television who know the truth.

His racially-charged rants provided fuel to some of the most dangerous elements of our society - white supremacists.

According to published reports, Carlson offered his "great replacement" theory - where white people are being "replaced" by immigrants of color in a deliberate scheme devised by an elitist, leftist group of plotters - more than 400 times on his show. Why? Because, of course, these immigrants "would vote for liberal policies."

This "theory" is designed to shake white conservatives to their core and gin up more racial hatred.

Naturally, the bigots and far-right loonies are saddened by his departure but those of us who have held on to truth-telling in our work lives, his firing was like a cool breeze on a summer's day.

For most of us in this journalism thing, we learned the proper way to relay the news early in our careers.

Others who didn't do the right thing didn't last long in the business or found an outlet that simply didn't care about truth and fairness.

And even though it took longer than it should have, a former Fox "news" personality has finally learned that bitter truth.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

The Supreme Court is run amok, and it's time to get it under control.

For the last year, we have witnessed scandal after scandal come out of the Supreme Court.

From learning that Samuel Alito may have leaked a decision about reproductive health to conservative anti-abortion activists, to discovering Clarence Thomas has been secretly accepting luxury vacations from a GOP megadonor for 20 years, the actions of these justices on the highest court in the land are unconscionable. Thankfully, this bad behavior can be addressed. Congress has the ability—and responsibility—to act as a check on the Supreme Court and restore faith in our judicial system.

It's time they take the first step and pass a code of ethics for the Supreme Court. No one is above accountability, and that includes our justices on the Supreme Court. The justices of other courts have a code of ethics therefore the Supreme Court should also.

*Sincerely,*  
Linda Stegall



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### ONE YEAR AGO, May 5, 2022

Four members of the Lindale High School boys track team qualified for state after finishing first in their respective events at the Class 4A Region II meet held at Texas A&M University-Commerce this past weekend.

Colter Maya, 400-meter dash, Brett Maya, 200-meter dash, Casey Poe, shot put and Isaac Pollard, pole vault, earned a trip to the state in Austin.

Also, in the pole vault Lindale claimed three of the top five finishes with Pollard's first place followed by Trento Harbour (3<sup>rd</sup> place) and Bowman Grace (4<sup>th</sup> place) both clearing the bar at 13 feet, 6 inches.

Colter Maya's first place time of 49.55 in the 400 meters topped Tyler Brown of Aubrey (49.76), Sean Henry of Mabank (50.09), Jordan Williamson of Hillsboro (50.18) and Kameron Griffin of Chapel Hill, (51.70).

In the 200 meters, Brett Maya's first place time was 21.73, while GeKyle Baker of Brownsboro was second with a 21.80 mark. Jermaine Roney of Kilgore was third with a time of 21.89, Colby Lewis of Sanger was fourth at 22.21 and Lincoln Dunn of Melissa was fifth with a time of 22.22.

Poe's effort of 54 feet, 8 inches in the shot put topped Rylan Smart of Sanger (53 feet, 2 inches), Michael Reents of Celina (52 feet, 5 inches), Zach Veverka of Celina (51 feet, 9 inches) and Peyton Anderson of Dallas Carter (51 feet, 8 inches).

In the pole vault, Pollard cleared the bar at 14 feet, 6 inches to beat Tomas Farr of Paris (13 feet, 6 inches) in second place and Levi Bontke of Hillsboro (13 feet) in fifth place.

### FIVE YEARS AGO, May 3, 2018

The Lindale High School Lady Eagles softball team rallied to defeat A&M Consolidated High School, 5-2, to advance in the state Class 5A playoffs. After Consolidated built a 2-0 lead, Lindale's London Reue scored on an error to cut the deficit to one. Then in the fifth, Lindale put the game away with four more runs on singles from Jodi DeHart and Dee Saunders who then were brought home on another base hit from Hannah Knox. Grace Spearman then plated Knox with a triple.

### 10 YEARS AGO, May 2, 2013

Two Lindale artists took home top honors as the Mineola League of the Arts held its annual show at the MLOTA building, officials announced.

Victoria Sewell, 18, of Lindale won Best of Show honors for "Alissa" done in colored pencil. Jan Clark of Lindale also won first place in the Best Advanced category for her oil rendition of "Girl with the Ruffle."

Artists and league members gathered to view the paintings and to see the presentation of awards on April 11.

Barbara Jones of Corsicana judged the 149 paintings and sculptures entered by 50 artists.

# Infected with gold fever, part one

Well, I just drove in from my annual fishin' trip. Man, I didn't want to come home. Now, callin' this a fishin' trip is a little deceivin', because for the last two years, I didn't even wet a hook.

Heck, I didn't even take my fly rod out of the case. Of course, the river we fish isn't known for its fishin' anyway. In fact, I don't think it's known at all except for the bat cave that's located near it. It's the James River outside of Mason, Texas.

It's a shallow river runnin' over limestone and most of the time, it does not have a lot of water, but it is beautiful. Man, is it beautiful.

I guess you can call it more of a campin' trip for me, although most everyone else in our group fishes the river a little.

Now, I don't want y'all to think just because I don't fish I'm lazy. I am lazy, but that's not why I don't fish. You see, I'm the camp cook. I inherited the job several years ago from Leon Hale, a columnist for the Houston Chronicle and has been a columnist longer than I've been alive.

He is also the author of a bunch of books of which there's not a dud in the bunch.

Anywho, he was our camp cook for the first 20 or so years of our fishin' trips, but he finally got tired of foolin' with it and turned it over to me. Some in our group think this was a mistake, but are too scared to complain, or else they might get the job.

Of course, I only fix two meals a day, breakfast and supper. We have to fend for ourselves at lunch, because everybody might be scattered up and down the river.

I do put on a big pot of beans the first day for everyone to eat on, when they come in. Leon still supervises the cookin' of the beans because, well he just does. He's made them so long, that he doesn't want anyone to get a bad plate of beans, plus he makes them better than I do.

Now, I'm not cookin' for



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a big bunch of men. Heck, this year there were just eight of us. We had a columnist, a banker, a lawyer, a doctor, a house/furniture builder, a grave digger, and a tile layer.

Oh yeah, and there's me.

How I got mixed up with this group is another story, but we've been makin' this yearly trip for twenty-something years, and hope to for twenty-something more.

Now, just because I cook doesn't mean that I couldn't fish if I wanted to. I usually do fish, it's just that sometimes other things get in the way of havin' time to fish. Like this year, for example.

The man that manages the ranch that we were campin' on came by to check on us to make sure we were okay and hadn't burned anything down.

He's an interestin' fellow, and he and I get along pretty well because we're both gun nuts. Glenn Bass, the banker and one of my best friends, and I were the only ones in camp at the time, so we visited with the manager.

Well, Larry, that's his name, happened to mention that a long time ago, a man robbed a bank in some town close to Mason, and hid out in a cave on the river. He said that he was supposed to have stashed the ill gotten gold in the cave in which he was apprehended, but the gold was never found.

Then Larry pointed across the river to a high bluff and said that the cave was supposed to be behind a large mesquite tree three quarters of the way up the side of the bluff, which, I might add, is a couple of hundred feet high. I got out my binoculars and he pointed the tree out. He said that a cougar was supposed to live in the cave now, but he couldn't confirm that. After he left, I looked a Glenn, and he was lookin' at me.

"You think that gold's still up there?" I said.

"I doubt there was ever any up there," he replied.

"Yeah," I said. "Me neither. Well, I think I'll go for a walk."

"Where?" he asked.

"Oh, I don't know."

"Well, you aren't going without me."

"What do you mean?"

"You're going to look for that gold, aren't you?"

"Who me?" I said. "I thought we agreed there probably wasn't any gold."

"There's not," he stated.

"But I know you, and you're going to look for yourself."

"So, what if I do?"

"So you aren't going without me."

"Fine," I said. "Let's go, but don't let the others know what we're doin', you know, just in case."

"Sounds good to me," said Glenn, and we took off.

First we walked up the bluff from the backside because that was the easiest. When we reached the top, I was wheezin' like a four pack a day emphysematous lab rat.

"Man," said Glenn. "I wish I'd brought some water."

"I wish I'd brought an iron lung," I replied.

"Look over the edge and see if you can see anything."

"You look over the ledge. I'm not through coughin' up my lungs, yet."

"OK, you big baby," said Glenn and he peered gingerly over the edge.

"Man, we're really up here. Come look at this."

Now, I'm not scared of much, but heights are not one of my strong points. I started walkin' over to where Glenn was standin' and the closer I got, the slower, and lower, I became. By the time I got beside him, I was crawlin' on my belly. Glenn looked down at me.

"What are you doin'?" he asked.

"What does it look like I'm doin'?"

"You're just a big sissy."

"No I'm not. I just want to get a closer look."

"Sure," he said.

"There's that mesquite tree," I said.

"Yeah, that's quite a ways down."

"How are you goin' to get down to it?" I asked.

"Me? What about you?"

"Look, somebody's got to stay here to run for help," I said.

"Well, it's not going to be you. If I'm going down there, you're going with me."

"But I've got a problem with my back," I stated.

"Yeah, it's got a big yellow streak running down it."

"OK I'll go with you," I said, as I turned over on my back.

"Man, you're white as a ghost," said Glenn.

"Yeah, I think I'm gonna throw up."

"So, how are we going to do this?" Glenn asked.

"Well, we sure can't go down this way. We'd need ropes or better yet, a winch truck. Let's try another approach. Let's see if we can skooch along from the side."

"Skooch?"

"Yeah, you know. Like those guys in the movies when they're on the ledge of one of those skyscrapers. They skooch along huggin' the side of the buildin'."

"Oh yeah? Where are we going to start our skooch?"

I turned back over and looked. "How about over there," I pointed. It doesn't look as straight down, and from here it looks like it leads straight to that tree."

"I don't know?" Glenn questioned.

"Don't worry," I said. "I know what I'm doing."

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Will Glenn and Rusty plunge to their death? Will Rusty's lungs collapse? Will Glenn be left hangin' like Beetle Bailey to a small tree stickin' out of the cliff wall? Don't forget to tune in for next week's excitin' episode. "Gold Fever".

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## Two blood drives set in May

Two local blood drives to benefit Carter BloodCare are scheduled this month, said publicity spokesperson Sonia Chiessa-Ortiz.

Community Christian Fellowship, located at 15704 Highway 110 North in Lindale, is scheduled to host a

drive beginning at 9 a.m. on Sunday, May 7.

The CarterBlood Care bus will be in the parking lot. For more information, contact Mona Guyer of CCF at 903-882-8501, ext. 206.

On Wednesday, May 17 the Lillie

Russell Memorial Library in downtown Lindale is scheduled to host a blood drive from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. sions. Lend an arm and donate blood at the Carter BloodCare community drive, hosted by Lillie Russell Memorial Library.

## Carmel Baptist celebrates 170th anniversary

Carmel Baptist Church, located at 10969 CR 481 in Lindale, is planning a 170<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration beginning at 10:30 a.m., Sunday, May 7 at the church, officials announced.

Helping celebrate the anniversary will former pastor Sherman May-

field, Christian music star Casey Rivers and Dr. Danny Pickens of the Smith County Baptist Association.

In addition, Julie Lee of the Korean Ministry will sing.

Pastor James Cheatham will lead the services.

One of the oldest churches in East

Texas, Carmel Baptist Church was founded on May 6, 1853 with six members in a vacant house on Duck Creek in what was known then as the Flora Community, which had a mill, post office, a blacksmith shop, a tanning yard, a doctor as well as several stores.



### Rotary Club speaker

Mary Foster, campaign coordinator of the local United Way, was the guest speaker at the weekly meeting of the Lindale Rotary Club to help celebrate East Texas Giving Day. She discussed how the United Way helps individual in our community during their time of need. She was joined by Leo Rossler. (Courtesy photo)

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19: 12:31:11 AM, Suspicious Vehicle, Freedom Drive; 7:10:29 AM, Warrant Service, 900 block S. Main Street; 8:01:21 AM, Burglary 2800 block S. Main Street; 8:13:51 AM, Harassment 15000 block Country Acres Drive; 8:27:44 AM, Animal At Large, 100 block W. Valley Street; 9:34:19 AM, Motorist Assist, 3400 block S.

Main Street; 11:37:39 AM, Alarm Residence, 600 block Yesterday Drive; 1:50:04 PM, Traffic Complaint, 13000 block Interstate 20 E; 7:19:06 PM, Cruelty To Animals, 200 block N. Henry Street; 11:50:45 PM, Suspicious Vehicle, 13000 block I-20;

THURSDAY, APRIL 20: 12:28:57 AM, Suspicious Vehicle, 105 E. Centennial; 5:58:15 AM, Public Service, 15300 block CR 463; 7:35:16 AM, Traffic Complaint, 400 block W. Hubbard Street; 8:00:08 AM, Public Service, 700 block Donnaberry Court; 8:34:49 AM, Motorist Assist, CR 474/S Main Street; 11:24:54 AM, Public Service, 1600 block S. Main Street; 12:41:03 PM, Traffic Hazard, 17000 block I-20 E; 1:08:40 PM, Public Service, 1000 block S. Main Street; 3:08:34 PM, Suspicious Person, 100 block Hudson Street; 3:08:57 PM, Suspicious Person, 100 block Teresa Street; 4:03:17 PM, Public Service, 100 block Ballard Drive; 4:45:41 PM, Welfare Concern, 300 block S. Main Street; 9:38:21 PM, Suspicious Circumstance, 15000 block Brittain Court.

## Stay aware, safe during Water Safety Month in May

Summer's scorching temperatures are just around the corner and, to most Texans, that means taking refuge in the water.

May is National Water Safety Month, so the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials are reminding boaters to follow some simple, yet effective, safety precautions to prevent accidents and save lives.

In 2022, 207 boating accidents occurred in Texas waters, resulting in 36 fatalities. Texas Game Warden Assistant Commander for Marine Enforcement Cody Jones is confident that those numbers can shrink with more awareness and safety training.

"While we're grateful the total number of boating accidents and fatalities decreased in 2022, we're not in the clear yet," Jones said. "In 2022, there were 20 percent more boating accidents than before the pandemic. Accidents happen quickly and unexpectedly, so my biggest piece of advice is to stay aware of your surroundings."

Jones also offers these safety tips:

- Wear a life jacket
- Use an ignition cutoff switch
- Swim safely

In 2022, drowning accounted for 50 percent of deaths on the water and was the leading cause of death in recreational boating fatalities. Of those, 69 percent of the victims were not wearing a life jacket.

"Life jackets are one of the easiest, most accessible tools to prevent fatalities," Jones remarked. "If an accident occurs, it is unlikely you will have time to find a life jacket and secure it properly, so it's best to wear one at all times when on the water."

Texas law requires that a Coast Guard-approved life jacket must be available for each occupant of a boat or paddle craft. Children under the age of 13 are required, by law, to wear their life jacket while the boat or paddle craft is underway or drifting; it is recommended that everyone always wear a life jacket while on the water.

Selecting a properly sized life jacket is an important safety measure. Adult-sized life jackets are not appropriate for children to wear — do not buy a life jacket for your child to "grow into."

If a life jacket is too big, whether on an adult or child, it can push up around the swimmer's face and cause additional injuries. TPWD has put together a [quick, informative video](#) about how to select the correct size of life jacket for children. Please refer to TPWD's [Boater Education website](#) for more information about life jacket fitting, safety and regulations.

Safety ignition cutoff switches are another important tool to prevent injuries and fatalities.



Most motorized boats are equipped with this device. In the event a boat operator falls off the boat or moves from the helm, the engine automatically and immediately shuts off.

"Most accidents and injuries happen when people are cruising around in boats or relaxing on the water; nearly a quarter of all operators involved in an accident have more than 500 hours on the water," Jones said. "To me, this means don't let your guard down. Accidents can happen when it's least expected. We want everyone to stay safe on the water."

Safe swimming is another pre-

caution to consider while enjoying our lakes, rivers and streams. It's important that everyone near or on the water knows how to swim, never swims alone and swims only in designated areas.

Safe swimming also includes staying hydrated and sober.

According to the [Center for Disease Control](#), drowning is the leading cause of death among children ages one through four and the second leading cause of accidental deaths among children ages five through 14. They should be supervised closely and wear a life jacket while near water. Please ensure that minors

in your care wear well-fitted life jackets at all times.

If you're interested in enrolling yourself or your child in swim lessons, the [American Red Cross website](#) can help you find local resources and classes in your area.

While enjoying Texas State Parks and water resources this May, please stay safe, stay aware and stay buckled into your life jacket.

For more information about boating safety, laws and requirements, visit TPWD's [boating laws](#) webpage. To enroll in a boater education safety course, visit TPWD's [boater education webpage](#).

### Lindale woman hurt in fatal wreck on I-20

A Lindale woman was treated at a local hospital for injuries suffered in a multi-vehicle, fatality wreck on Interstate 20 just west of Lindale this past week, Texas Department of Public Safety officials said.

The crash occurred at approximately 2 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26, DPS officials said, who added three semi-tractor trailers and a passenger vehicle, Beth F. Knox, 56 of Lindale, were involved in the wreck.

One of the semis collided with the rear of the other trucks. The driver of the truck that crashed into the other vehicles was identified as Otabek T. Mamaddaliev, 50, of Newburgh, N.Y. He was pronounced dead at a local hospital.

Randy J. Rankins, 54, of Statesville, N.C. was driving another truck and was taken to a local hospital for his injuries. The third truck driver, Jared L. Williams, 60, of Shreveport, La., was unhurt.

### Houston men sentenced for firearms violations

Two Houston men have been sentenced to prison for federal firearms violations in the Eastern District of Texas, said Davilyn Walston, spokesperson for U.S. Attorney Brit Featherston.

Robert Lewis Johnson, Jr., 31, pleaded guilty to brandishing a firearm during a crime of violence on May 17, 2022 and was sentenced today to 120 months in federal prison by U.S. District Judge Marcia Crone.

Bryant Demetri West, 24, pleaded guilty to the same offense on May 9, 2022, and was sentenced earlier this week to 120 months in federal prison by Judge Crone.

According to court documents, the morning of December 15, 2018, Johnson and West drove a stolen truck to Tacos La Bamba in Beaumont and entered the restaurant brandishing handguns.

The two masked men then forced store employees to the floor and took \$13,862.97 in cash belonging to the restaurant before returning to Houston. During the robbery, West discharged his firearm in the vicinity of two restaurant employees.

This case was prosecuted as part of the joint federal, state, and local Project Safe Neighborhoods Program, the centerpiece of the Department of Justice's violent crime reduction efforts.

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As part of this strategy, PSN focuses enforcement efforts on the most violent offenders and partners with locally based prevention and reentry programs for lasting reductions in crime.

This case was investigated by the Beaumont Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney

John B. Ross.

### Nacogdoches man sentenced for drug, firearms violations

A Nacogdoches man has been sentenced to federal prison for drug trafficking and firearms violations in the Eastern District of Texas, Walston said.

Angel Aguilar, 25, pleaded guilty on July 12, 2022 to conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute methamphetamine and possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime. Aguilar was sentenced to 180 months in federal prison by U.S. District Judge Marcia Crone on April 27, 2023.

According to information presented in court, Aguilar was a member of a drug trafficking organization distributing large quantities of methamphetamine and other narcotics in the Nacogdoches area.

During the investigation, law enforcement agents were able to purchase methamphetamine from Aguilar on multiple occasions. During Aguilar's distribution of methamphetamine, he provided a stolen firearm as collateral towards the future purchase of methamphetamine.

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The defendant faced up to life at sentencing. This case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, and the Nacogdoches Police Department and prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Donald S. Carter.

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Lindale High School girls soccer coach Cody Bray talks about the joys of coaching Kaydee Cox for the past three years during her signing with the University of Houston-Victoria. (Photo by Terry Cannon)

## Lindale's Cox signs with Houston-Victoria

The University of Houston-Victoria has landed one of the top soccer stars in East Texas as Lindale High School Lady Eagle Kaydee Cox signed on this past week to continue her academic and athletic career.

Cox was surrounded by friends and family at the LHS cafeteria on Thursday to make the commitment official.

She was a three-year starter for the Lady Eagles, who finished second this past year in District 14-4A and advanced to the area round of the playoffs.

Cox tallied four goals and an assist as a sophomore but exploded onto the scene in her junior year, scoring 25 goals and 5 assists. As a senior, she scored 38 goals and dished

out 10 assists.

"Before her senior year, she put in the work and got in the best shape of her life," said LHS girls head coach Cody Bray.

She earned second team all-district honors after her junior year and was the district Most Valuable Player after her senior season. Cox also earned a berth on the Texas Association of Soccer Coaches all-state team.

Cox also was named to the district's all-academic team during her varsity career and is currently 21<sup>st</sup> in her class with a 1.04 GPA.

"She's been a joy to coach and for our program," Bray said. "She is super grounded and I feel her family is a part of my family."



The Hideaway Kiwanis Club honored Lindale High School sophomores recently. Shown are, from left, club president Glenn Davis, Tobias Burks, Aspen Ives, Clara Helvey and club youth director Barbara Wilson. (Courtesy photo)

## LHS sophomores recognized by Hideaway Kiwanis

The Hideaway Lake Kiwanis Club presented four Lindale High School sophomores with scholarships during the club's annual award ceremony this past week.

Hudson LeGrow was named Sophomore of the Year and received a \$1,000 scholarship.

LeGrow is the son of Anthony and Jill LeGrow.

The award is based on leadership ability, academic record and community and school

involvement.

Tobias Burks, son of Dustin and Kim Burks, received a scholarship worth \$500, Clara Helvey, also a recipient of a \$500 scholarship is the daughter of Jonathan and Rebecca Helvey and Aspen Ives, who also received a \$500 scholarship, is the daughter of Ian and Shelly Ives.

This Hideaway Kiwanis scholarship program seeks, recognizes and recognizes sophomores who show potential in their future endeavors.

## Three Eagles qualify for state track meet

The Lindale High School Eagles boys track team finished second at the Class 4A Region II track meet at Texas A&M-Commerce this past weekend with 70 points.

Speedy brothers Brett and Colter Maya won the 200 and 400 meter dash, respectively, for the first place finishes for the Eagles. Both qualified for the state UIL meet, as did Justin Seekford in the pole vault with an effort of 14 feet, 6 inches. Teammate Bowman Grace fell just short of qualifying for state with a third place pole vault effort of 13 feet, 9 inches.

Brett Maya won the 200 meters with a time of 21.25 and Colter Maya won the 400 with a time of 48.40.

Casey Poe finished third in the shot put with an effort of 51 feet, 6 inches.

**Lindale boys win area track meet**  
With 130 points, the Lindale High School boys track team claimed top honors in the District 15/16 Class 4A track meet held at Wildcat Stadium at Paris High School early last week.

The LHS varsity girls finished fifth in their division with 59 points.

Canton was second on the boys side with 102 points, followed by Texarkana Pleasant Grove with 91. Paris was fourth with 66; Brownsboro and Sulphur Springs were fifth with 43, Athens had 37, Pittsburg scored 27, Cumberland Academy finished with 22, North Lamar and Liberty Eylau with 14 and Mabank with 7.

On the girls side, the team standings were: North Lamar 125, Paris 106, Canton 96, Liberty-Eylau 75, Lindale 59, Sulphur Springs 30, Pittsburg 27, Van 25, Mabank 24, Pleasant Grove 21, Brownsboro 20,

Cumberland Academy 7 and Athens 5.

Brett Maya finished first in the 100 meters (10.48) and first in the 200 meters (22.37) and his brother Colter Maya was first in the 400 meters (47.12).

Matthew Kenney was third in the 110 meter hurdles (15.88) and teammate Chad Ward was fourth (16.06).

In the 300 meter hurdles, Trevor Smith finished fourth (42.78).

Lindale's 400 meter relay team of Colter Maya, Hayes Brooks, Ryder Dennis and Clint Thurman finished second (42.78).

The 1600 meter relay team of Thurman, Dennis, Brooks and Colter Maya took first (3:24.95).

Casey Poe won the shot put with an effort of 56 feet, 9 ½ inches while Jerry Bloemsma was third (45 3 ½ inches).

Gabe Hart was fourth in the discus with a throw of 127 feet, 11 ½ inches and Marcus Field was first in the high jump with a leap of 6 feet, 2 inches.

Justin Seekford was second in the pole vault (13 feet, 6 inches) and Bowman Grace was third (13 feet, 6 inches).

For the Lindale girls, Adalyn Kobs finished fourth in the 3200 meters (13:06.20) and Kennedy Miller was second in the 100 meter hurdles (16.0).

Miller won the 300 meter hurdles (47.67) and in the 800 meter relay the Lindale quartet of Reagan Cates, Whitney Dao, Laniya Daniels and Kylie Carleton was fourth (1:49.93).

In the shot put, Lindale's Kalaya Pierce was fourth with an effort of 32 feet, 5 inches. Kayli Vickery was second in the high jump (5 feet) and Spencer was next (5 feet).

In the pole vault, Pierce finished fourth (9 feet, 6 inches).



The Lindale High School boys track team won the area meet recently at Paris High School. (Courtesy photo)



### Yard of the Month

The Lindale Garden Club has selected the yard belonging to Mike and Jan Smith on at 13383 N. Main Street as its Yard of the Month for May. Seen with the Smith's are grandchildren Adley, Aikman and Auburn. (Courtesy photo)

## Lindale UT Tyler debate member, teammate finish second in event

The University of Texas at Tyler placed second in the 2023 National Parliamentary Debate Association National Championship, hosted by the University of the Pacific in Stockton, Calif., publicity officials announced.

Joshua Smith, a sophomore political science major from Lindale and Hunter Parrish, a senior political science major from Caddo Mills advanced to the final round championship where they debated against No. 1 seed University of California-Berkeley.

"On their way to finals, they won close, tough debates against the University of Chicago, Rice University, San Diego State University and other excellent competition from across the country at the biggest tournament of the entire year," said Dr. Joseph Provencher, UT Tyler director of forensics. "They have a sterling reputation in the community as hard workers, supportive competitors and students who clearly play the game with a passion and charisma that goes admired

by other directors, coaches and competitors alike. I could

not be prouder of the way they handled themselves on the circuit and achieving a second-place finish is a wonderful cap to a successful season."

Parrish and Smith also were invited to compete in the National Parliamentary Tournament of Excellence, which is an elite round robin format featuring the top 10 nationally ranked partners, where they finished third.

Other UT Tyler debate members include Zachary Stansbery of Hallsville, Leilani Hurtado of Tyler, Harlin Dean of Allen, Rebecca Wood of Quitman, Amber McAdams of Boerne and Angie Carroll of Chicago.

The award-winning UT Tyler debate program competes nationally in NPDA/NPTE. This format of debate requires participants to compete in partnerships of two, who accrue points toward a national, season-long ranking.

**UT Tyler debaters senior political science major Hunter Parrish of Caddo Mills and sophomore political science major Joshua Smith of Lindale placed second in the 2023 National Parliamentary Debate Association National Championship. (Courtesy photo)**



## Turning "Lights Out" across Texas helps birds migrate safely

AUSTIN — Spring is the peak time for bird migration through Texas, but the bright lights of cities and towns can confuse birds as they fly to their northern breeding grounds and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials are urging Texans to help our winged friends on their journey by turning "Lights Out" at night across the state through May 12.

In 2017, after discovering the bodies of more than 400 birds that had slammed into a skyscraper, the American National Insurance Company and Houston Audubon

launched the original Lights Out initiative.

A nationwide program, sponsored by BirdCast, began around the same time. Both groups sought to reduce bird mortalities associated with light pollution, which attracts and disorients birds, causing collisions and deaths.

Two decades of research from Chicago, the country's deadliest city for migrating birds (followed closely by Houston and Dallas), show that darkening the windows produced 11 times fewer bird collisions during the spring migra-

tion and 6 times fewer collisions during the fall migration. These results are significant because one of every three birds migrating through the United States in the spring or fall — nearly 2 billion in total — pass through Texas.

How can Texans help?

-- Turn off all nonessential lights from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. each night during the program.

-- Don't use landscape lighting to illuminate trees or gardens where birds may be resting.

-- For essential lights (security and safety lighting), use the fol-

lowing dark skies-friendly lighting practices:

-- Aim lights downward.

-- Use lighting shields to direct light downward and avoid light shining into the sky or trees.

-- Use motion detectors and sensors so lights only come on when you need them.

-- Close blinds at night to reduce the amount of light from windows.

-- You can find examples of dark skies-friendly lighting from the International Dark Sky Association and additional guidance and language from the McDonald

Observatory's dark skies resources and recommended lighting practices.

If you own or manage a building:

-- Consider adjusting custodial schedules to end by 11 p.m.

-- Ask custodial staff to ensure that lights are off after they finish their work.

You can also find out more information about bird-friendly window decal designs that reduce collisions by logging on to <https://abcbirds.org/glass-collisions/stop-birds-hitting-windows>.



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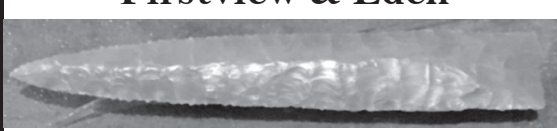
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All proceeds from the plant sale go to the Library and offerings include trees, bushes and flowers.

In the same vein, Texas A&M's AgriLife Extension Office will pair up with the library with its "Walk and Talk" program three times in May. Each one is scheduled for Tuesday and Thursday mornings at the Library. The program encourages fitness and accountability.

The May calendar of events will also feature:

- Friday, May 10: Storytime, 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- Tuesday, May 9: Walk and Talk, 9 a.m.-10 a.m.; Adult Game Day, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- Thursday, May 11: Walk and Talk, 9 a.m.-10 a.m.; Yarn Club, 4 p.m.-5 p.m.
- Friday, May 12: Storytime, "Mother's Day," wear purple, 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- Saturday, May 13: Plant Sale and Book Sale, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 16: Walk and Talk, 9 a.m.-10 a.m.; Adult Game Day, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 17: Blood drive, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Thursday, May 18: Walk and Talk, 9 a.m.-10 a.m.; Yarn Club, 4 p.m.-5 p.m.
- Friday, May 19: Storytime, "Visiting Rodeo," wear western clothes, 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- Saturday, May 20: TAB: Rock Painting, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 23: Adult Game Day, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- Thursday, May 25: Yarn Club, 4 p.m.-5 p.m.
- Friday, May 26: Storytime, Guest author Wendy Lamar, 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- Saturday, May 27: Therapet, 10:30 a.m.-12 noon.
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