County man stabbed, suspect charged with murder Sunday

Noe Luna, 43, of Tyler was fatally stabbed Sunday (Jan. 21) at his residence in the 400 block of County Road 34 near Tyler and a suspect has been arrested and charged with murder, said Smith County Sheriff's Office spokesman Larry Christian.



Letierus Lynn Drew, 23, was arrested in connection with the stabbing, Christian said, and is jail on a \$500,000 bond.

Sheriff's deputies arrived at the scene after receiving a 911 call at the residence, only to discover the victim had been taken to a local hospital's emergency room by family members.

Deputies were able to call the suspect out of the residence without incident, Christian said. Witnesses said Drew was not welcome inside the residence, but he allegedly forced his way

in getting into a physical altercation with Luna. Drew allegedly pulled out a knife and stabbed Luna in the chest.

Luna immediately fell to the floor and was unresponsive to family

County Investigators and the Crime Scene Unit responded to both the residence on County Road 34 and to the hospital. Luna died at 7:40 pm. Smith County Pct. 1 JP Judge Derrick Choice responded to the scene for the inquest and ordered the body taken to Forensic Medical in Tyler for an autopsy.

The Honorable 114th State District Judge Austin Reeve Jackson issued a warrant for the arrest of Drew for murder.

Sailor's surprise for nephew

Henry Parmley, a pupil at College Street Elementary, was

surprised recently by a visit from his uncle, Reymon Cum-

mings Jr., whom Henry hasn't seen in more than a year.

Cummings is serving on the USS Ronald Reagan and is sta-

tioned at Yokosuka Naval Base in Japan.



East Texas streets and roadways received a coating of ice as winter arrived in a chilly fashion this past week.

Photo by Terry Cannon

Cold start to new year as freezing temperatures, ice hit East Texas It didn't take long into the new year for winter's Monday (Jan. 15). Winter storm watches and warnings accompanied the

fury to arrive as East Texans shivered through some serious, bone-chilling temperatures beginning early

icy weather with accumulations ranging to just under an inch in most places.

Temperatures dropped into the lower teens late Monday and early Tuesday, keeping roads and highways slick from the ice accumulation.

Some snow flurries arrived Monday afternoon across Smith County, but no heavy snowfall was reported.

Thanks to some sunshine late Tuesday, roads began to thaw. But the moisture that remained froze again overnight leaving some slick areas on heavily used roadways and rural areas.

By Wednesday, temperatures rose above freezing,

melting the remaining ice. Highs reached the mid-50s later in the week.

Utility companies reported power outages beginning early Monday morning with Smith County showing more than 2,300 customers affected. Cherokee County had more than 1,200 outages, Henderson 900 and Van Zandt 360

Lindale ISD closed schools on Tuesday and reopened two hours later on Wednesday, while non-emergency Smith County offices were closed on Tuesday with most reopened by Wednesday, said County Public Information Officer Casey Murphy.

She reported there were several major vehicle accidents in the county on Tuesday.

Any closings or delays, unless specifically stated, do not close essential, emergency, residential and detention operations.

The County Judge and/or Commissioners Court has the authority to close general governmental operations due to emergency conditions, including inclement weather conditions that cause a serious hazard for employees such as road conditions due to flooding, ice or snow, Murphy said.

The commissioners court's regular meeting on Tuesday was postponed until Friday (Jan. 19) and the Lindale City Council's regular Tuesday meeting was cancelled.

Texas Department of Transportation spokesman Jeff Williford said work crews worked around the clock beginning early Monday and through Wednesday clearing and treating roadways.

Preparation for the storm actually began on Friday (Jan. 12) with crews applying a brine solution sprayed on the roadways.

After temperatures dropped, Williford said crews switched to a granular-based material, combined with sand, salt and crushed limestone.

The brine solution helped to keep the moisture from sticking to the roads, and the granular material provided better traction, he said.

Judge reviews rules concerning public participation during meetings

Smith County Commissioners addressed election issues as well as a review of the policy concerning the public participation

portion of each meeting during a rescheduled session this past Friday in the commissioner's court-

The meet-

ing, originally scheduled at its regular time on Tuesday, Jan. 16, had to be rescheduled due to the icy weather which hit East Texas the previous weekend.

County Judge Neil Franklin began the meeting with a review of the rules involving the public participation portion of each meeting, held prior to the listed agenda items.

Courtesy photo

"We not up here against the public, we want to hear from you but we have to follow the rules," Franklin said.

Each member of the public is limited to a maximum of three minutes to cover the agenda item or items they want to discuss, he said. The maximum time allotted for public comment is 30 minutes during the meeting.

"(Members of the public) shall conduct themselves with proper respect and proper attire is required and anyone not abiding by these guidelines will be asked to leave the meeting," Franklin said.

Continued violations of the rules could result in contempt of court citation, Franklin said.

Franklin cited recent examples of improper behavior during the public participation time including yelling at the judge or court, calling court members by their first name and disruptions from the audience area.

"The court is not a forum to demean a group or individual and any profane or threatening, insulting directed to the court will not be tolerated," he said.

Continued violations of these rules, Franklin said, would result in the speaker losing the rest of their allotted time, removal from the courtroom, a contempt citation or other civil or criminal citations.

"It's my job to make the decision while someone is speaking if it is on the agenda," Franklin said. "Most of the time if I interrupt it is to steer them back on track so they can stay."

Franklin noted that the current rules in regard to the public participation were unanimously approved in 2021 when Nathaniel Moran was county judge.

"Two separate courts have voted on this and I feel this is the best way to handle business," Franklin said.

In other action, commission-

- Ratified the lease agreement between the county and the Texas House of Representatives, Committee on House Administration on behalf of State Rep. Matt Schaefer concerning his office in the county courthouse.
- Approved facility use agreements for 38 polling places for 2024 elections;
- Received notice of the Joint Primary Election for March 5,





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Close encounters are a result of experiences 'alien' to our everyday lives. I can't claim to have had one with ET or harmonic chord playing aliens from outer space. But I have had my fair share with celebrities as a result of being Mrs. Jim Bardwell. I was reminded of one of my favorites a couple of days ago when iconic talk show host Larry King passed away from COVID complications.

It was 1990 and Walt Disney World's MGM Studio had closed to the public for premier celebrations of "Dick Tracy" starring Warren Beatty, Dustin Hoffman, Al Pacino and Madonna. And my talented hubby was on the press list, with his handy dandy sweetie sidekick in tow. Buffet lines were everywhere...so were hospitality 'watering holes' catering to the less disciplined among the thirsty press corps.

We had been gifted with dashing Dick Tracy fedoras. The streets of the MGM Studio theme park were filled with press, celebs, food and drink. As I went through the buffet line that looked like an upscale foodie dream, I realized I had forgotten my fork. I turned back to see Larry King behind me. "Mr. King, could you please pass me a fork?" And the legendary interviewer growled with a grin, "Sure, Sugar, here ya go."

After eating elbow to elbow with Mr. King, maybe near is more accurate, this starstruck country kid with camera in tow, was shown to a cordoned area for photographers when the premier parade began. At that time of my life, I was a high school journalism teacher, as well as hubby's designated photographer. So I definitely had stars in my eyes, BIG ones. I was in a photo pen with guys from the Chicago Tribune, Chicago Sun, Orlando Sentinel, New York Times and on and on. Me with my affordable camera, them with equipment costing thousands.

I can't remember who all the celebs were in the parade because Disney Pixie Power pulled as much as it could from the MGM stable of stars. But one of the 'less notable' celebrities was Morey Amsterdam whose claim to fame came with the '60s TV hit "The Dick Van Dyke Show". Amsterdam was very elderly, and obviously very excited to be there waving excitedly at the crowd.

The very drunk Chicago photographer next to me began to shout "Morey, you're dead. You just don't know it. Go home." And that is when I lost my feeling of professional intimidation. I lost my reticence. I lost my temper and I laid into that drunk hotshot photographer as if I were HIS high school journalism

The Best of Suzanne **Bardwell**



And, you know what happened? All the press photogs around me cheered. You know why? I stood up to a bully. They also had my back. I don't know where the shouter went but he stumbled away. When my hubby and I reconnected I could not wait to tell him my story. Of course it may have gotten a little shinier. After all it was the night Larry King called me "Sugar", Dustin Hoffman waved for my camera (my opinion here) and I stood up to a hot shot national press corps guy.

Jim Bardwell wasn't surprised at all. (I don't know what that says, but I think he was proud of me.)

So, Mr. King, thanks for the fork, and the memory. Chicago hot shot, I hope you learned to be kinder. And Sweetheart thanks for opening the world to your church camp, country girl sweetheart. As soon as it's safe, it is time for another adventure. Sugar can't wait.

DOJ report on response to Uvalde shooting scathing

The U.S. Justice Department issued a scathing report late last week on the May 4, 2022, mass shooting at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, the Austin American-Statesman reported.

Attorney General Merrick Garland said at a news conference in Uvalde that officials' response that day and afterward "was a failure that should not have happened."

The Justice Department's nearly 500-page report noted that it took 77 minutes before the shooter was killed, and that officials made the mistake of attempting to negotiate with the killer in the classroom where victims were trapped.

"This was the most significant failure," Garland said. "That failure meant that law enforcement officials prioritized a protracted evacuation of students and teachers in other classrooms, instead of immediately rescuing the victims trapped with the active shooter."

The Uvalde victims' families were first provided copies of the report ahead of its official release.

Medical board petitioned to issue abortion guidelines

Two Austin attorneys are asking the Texas Medical Board to issue guidelines on abortion laws to clarify the medical exceptions allowed under the state's near total ban, the Statesman reported. Steve and Amy Bresnen, who are married, asked the board to devise rules to "ensure critical care to pregnant females and implement medical emergency exceptions to laws that otherwise punish those who perform abortions."

The medical board has 60 days to either initiate a rule making process or deny the

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The Texas Supreme Court made a similar request in December after rejecting the bid of a Dallas mother with a fatal fetal diagnosis to have an abortion in Texas. Kate Cox ultimately traveled to New Mexico to have the pregnancy terminated.

5th circuit throws out book ban

Citing free speech grounds, the conservative 5th Circuit Court of Appeals has halted a Texas law that bans school library books deemed "sexually explicit," The Dallas Morning News reported. Two Texas bookstores and national trade groups representing booksellers, authors and publishers had filed the suit to challenge a law passed in the last legislative session.

The law was to take effect Jan. 1, but a lower court blocked its implementation. It was unclear whether the state would appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Texas leads the nation in book bans, according to The News. Approximately 800 books were removed from Texas school libraries from July 2021 to June 2022. The ruling let stand a portion of the new law that requires the State Board of Education to approve standards for Texas school libraries to follow, which it has done. However, without the ratings required by the new law, the statute will not operate as originally intended.

Agency won't fight whistleblower suit

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton announced last week his agency will no

longer fight a whistleblower suit filed by four former top attorneys who were fired in 2020 after accusing their boss of corruption, The News reported. Previously the Texas Supreme Court ruled that Paxton and his aides must testify under oath about what led to the firings. Paxton announced he will accept a trial court judge's final ruling on the lawsuit.

Paxton again criticized the whistleblowers, whom he previously referred to as "rogue employees."

"I will not allow my office to be distracted by these disgruntled former employees and their self-serving sideshow," he said.

The four former employees and their legal team are evaluating their next steps in the case. A settlement was reached last year for \$3.3 million but the Legislature refused to fund it, sparking the embattled attorney general's impeachment in the House and acquittal in the Senate. Joe Knight, one of the attorneys for the plaintiffs, said Paxton's argument against the validity of the case has already been rejected by four previous courts.

Meanwhile, Paxton paid the attorneys who successfully defended him in the Senate impeachment trial \$2.3 million, the Texas Tribune reported. The money came out of his campaign funds, which is legal under state law. The trial centered on allegations from the whistleblowers that Paxton abused his office to help a major donor, Nate Paul, who has since been indicted on loan fraud charges.

THE ECONOMIST

By Dr. M. Ray Perryman

People and Places ...

New population estimates have been Carolina, and Georgia accounted for 93% of more residents than any other state. The US population increased by a little more than 1.6 million people during the 12 months ending in July 2023. That's a rise of just



0.5%, but it's better than the 0.4% increase in 2022 or 2021's 0.2% gain. Migration was up, and there was a drop in deaths (though they remain well above pre-COVID levels).

About 87% of the increase was concentrated in the South. More than

706,000 people were added to the region due to net domestic migration, with almost 500,000 from net international migration.

The increase in Texas was 473,453 (about 1,300 people per day), followed by Florida (up 365,205). South Carolina and Florida were the two fastest-growing states in percentage terms, increasing by 1.7% and 1.6%, respectively. The Texas pace was just slightly under 1.6%.

Eight states saw their population fall in 2023 including California (-75,423), Hawaii (-4,261), Illinois (-32,826), Louisiana Virginia (-3,964). Many of these states have lost residents annually since 2020, though the declines have slowed.

More states experienced population growth in 2023 than in any year since the start of the pandemic (42 plus the District of Columbia). In 2022, Texas, Florida, North

released, and once again Texas gained far the nation's population growth. Even with more states experiencing increases, those four still comprised 67% of the 2023 US gain. Amazingly, almost 30% of the expansion in the entire country occurred in Texas.

> A key reason for the continued growth in Texas is the dynamic and diverse economy and the resulting job opportunities. The state has achieved more major corporate locations and expansions than any other every year for more than a decade, and we are seeing growth in both long-time core industries and rapidly emerging sectors. The influx of workers from elsewhere, in turn, enables more robust economic expansion.

> In addition, many of the states that people are exiting exhibit much higher living costs and taxes. Nerd Wallet's analysis indicates that a \$50,000 salary in Dallas is equivalent to almost \$74,000 in Los Angeles or \$118,000 in Manhattan.

The flip side of the Lone Star State's continued rapid population growth is that it requires significant and ongoing investments in education and infrastructure to avoid eroding our quality of life and to assure that the economic engine is sustainable. From reliable power generation and the grid to roadways to broadband to public schools, it is imperative (-14,274), New York (-101,984), Oregon that appropriate enhancements are imple-(-6,021), Pennsylvania (-10,408), and West mented lest we face major issues down the road. Fortunately, a healthy economy also provides the needed resources to fund these essential items. Stay safe!

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Sweet smell of success ... sort of

It seems that those very bright folks down at Texas A&M University are working to make life a little less, shall we say, odiferous.

Scientists in the A&M Department of Entomology were recently awarded a three-year, \$600,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to solve one of the smelly byproducts of so many cows in the state. Yes, we are talking about cow patties.

Being such a big place Texas naturally has a lot of feed lots and dairy farms where this manure is washed out of barns and winds up in lagoons, emitting a strong ammonia odor as well as methane and other harmful gases.

Which brings us to our Aggie friends and how they are working to stem this stench.

Seems as though there's a little known fly called the black soldier fly which when in the larva stage, can consume great quantities of cow manure. The byproduct is something resembling coffee grounds, which then can be use

as fertilizer. And those engorged larvae can then be turned into animal feed. The adult black solider fly resembles a wasp but one that

doesn't bite because it doesn't have a mouth, which means it can't eat as well. But in larvae form, those little buggers eat virtually any

type of organic material and they've been used around the world for break down food waste.

Our Aggies are working on this project with researchers from Mississippi State University to see is these black soldier fly larvae can do their thing with cow manure.



Texas is third in dairy production in the U.S., according to Texas Farm Bureau numbers, which includes more than 630,000 milk cows producing lots and lots of manure each

> Obviously, there's a great need for any help this little black fly's larvae can provide.

> All of this reminded me of a family trip we made to Colorado many years ago.

The destination was the mountain retreat in the Roosevelt National Forest owned by my wife's aunt and uncle. They would leave Chicago in late spring and spend the summer months in the blissful surroundings

of northern Colorado.

Before loading up the SUV, we charted a northern course, straight through Oklahoma before veering west through Kansas and eventually to Colorado.

Driving straight through Oklahoma is advised for anyone planning a road trip in that direction. Not much to see, other than lots and lots of red dirt.

Kansas, on the other hand, is just different enough from Oklahoma to pique one's interest. Plenty of sunflowers adorn the roadside.

So the plan was to stay one night in Dodge City, fictious home of Matt Dillion, Miss Kitty, Doc Adams and the rest of the Gunsmoke bunch. In reality, Dodge City has long been known as a city steeped in Old West history, especially as it relates to cattle drives.

And speaking of cattle.....

It didn't seem necessary before leaving home to make a reservation in Dodge City because, well, it wasn't exactly a going concern and we just wanted to stay for one night. But it turned out there was a big ol' rodeo in town that day. Not room at any of the inns.

The helpful guy at the desk pointed to the west and said something about rooms available down the road. We trundled back in the SUV and headed for the most misnamed place on the planet.

Garden City.

Before we actually arrived in the city limits, we were hit with the most repulsive odor any of us had ever experienced. Even my wife, living with three males, couldn't compare it to anything in her past.

"It" was the emanations from acres of feed lots along the highway just outside "Garden" City. "It" was so intense our eyes were beginning to water.

To this day, I don't know how those fine folks in "Garden" City, Kan., have managed to carry on each day.

Perhaps they can benefit from the studies of a bunch of Aggies in Texas and import some black soldier flies. It certainly couldn't hurt.

Another day in the life of an "eggomaniac"

Have you ever been somewhere and you get the feelin'

somebody's watchin' you? That happened to me the

other day.

I was in a store lookin' at some stuff on an aisle when I got that very feelin'. I slowly looked down the aisle, and there was a man standin' at the end and he looked like he was lookin' at me.

I slowly turned the other way to see if maybe he was lookin' at something or somebody past me, but there was no one there. I turned back, and I could see his eyes narrow, and the skin between his eyes bunch up. This is usually not a good

Then he started walkin' toward me. He looked to be about my age, but I didn't recognize him. I went back to lookin' at some stuff on the shelf. Finally, he reached me.

"You Rusty Mitchum?" he asked.

"Depends," I replied.

"On what?" "Do I owe you money?"

"Uh..no," he answered.

"Do you have a wife named Consuela?"

"No," he repeated.

"OK," I said. "Then I'm Rusty Mitchum," and I smiled and stuck out my

He reluctantly took my hand and shook it with a Life & Times

Rusty Mitchum

jumped right into what was on his mind. "My wife thinks you're

dead fish grip. He never of-

fered his name. Instead he

funny," he said. "My wife thinks I'm an

idiot," I replied. "But you're not fooling

me," he said. "I beg your pardon?"

"I can see right through you, mister," he said, but wasn't smilin'.

I put my hand behind my

"OK," I said. "How many fingers am I holdin' up?"

"What?" "If you can see through me, tell me how many fin-

He looked at me like I was crazy.

gers I'm holdin' up."

"No," he said, "I mean I know what you are."

I just looked at him. I didn't say anything. Finally, he broke the silence.

"You're a narcissist," he said, and smiled a little evil

"No," I replied. "I'm a Baptist."

"No," he sighed.

I am." I said. "At least that's what the preacher told

me after he nearly drowned me. I used to be a Methodist. Been sprinkled and dunked. Might make my chances better if you know

what I mean." "No," he said.

"Well, maybe not. You know, I think I may have a little Methodist still in me. Every time I hear music, the bottom half of me will try to start dancin'."

I wish you could have seen the look on this guy's face. His mouth was hangin' open and he had a confused look on his face.

"No, a narcissist," he repeated. "You think the

world revolves around you." "I thought that was an astrologist." I said.

The guy's jawbone started clinchin' together.

"You're an egomaniac,"

he growled. "I like 'em, but I'm not a

maniac about 'em." "What? What are you

talkin' about?" "Eggos. I mean they're good and all, but a waffle in

a toaster? Come on." "Not Eggos. Ego! You're "Yeah, I'm pretty sure an egomaniac. Everything you write about is about

"It's my column," I said. "I write about stuff I think is funny."

"Well, you're not funny," he said, and finally smiled.

About that time a lady walked up. A really pretty lady, I might add. "Excuse me," she said.

"Yes ma'am," I said.

"Are you Rusty Mitchum?"

"Why yes ma'am, I am," I said.

She grabbed my wrist with one hand and started rubbin' the back of my hand with her other. "Oh, I just love your column. You are the funniest thing." Then she looked at the man. "Don't you think he's the funniest thing?"

I smiled at him. A vein the size of a corny dog popped out of his forehead and I thought for sure his head was goin' to explode."

"Keep up the good work," she said, and then she traipsed off.

He looked at me for a while longer, and then turned and started to stomp

"Tell your wife I said hey," I said. He stopped and turned back around.

"Your wife is right," he said. "You are an idiot," and he turned back and left.

I smiled and thought to myself, "You know what would be good to eat, Rusty?

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ONE YEAR AGO, Jan. 26, 2023

Lindale residents once again showed their compassion and heart by welcoming home Hannah Evans, a teenager who was seriously injured in a skiing accident in March in Colorado.

Hundreds gathered on Highway 69 to greet Hannah and her family as they made their way to downtown on Wednesday, July 19.

Evans, who has lost the use of her legs because of the accident, has undergone several surgeries and rehab since the accident.

Fundraisers to help benefit the Evans family ranged from raffling off their Taylor Swift tickets to raising \$83,000 through the "Cheering for Hannah Bingo Night."

Hannah's parents and friends were by her side in Colorado as she went from the intensive care unit, through her surgeries and undergoing therapy.

Ranked in the top 10 of her 2023 class at Lindale High School, she managed to complete her high school education while in the hospital.

FIVE YEARS AGO, Jan. 24, 2019

Lindale City Council members approved emergency funds to install a new pump for water well No. 6, located on County Road 475 near Boaz Lane during their regular meeting at city hall.

The pump was last repaired in 2014, but due to the presence of shaft vibration and bearing issues, the water pump had reached a compromised state. City Water Department Manager Charles Gilbert presented the bid to the council for approval to have the new pump installed.

10 YEARS AGO, Jan. 23, 2014

Lindale High School's Lady Eagles defeated District 16-4A rival Whitehouse, 55-37, in the LHS gym.

Natasha Malone led the way in the scorebook for the Lady Eagles with 14 points, followed by Makayla Hall with 12, Jade Mauldin with seven and Heather Gilbert with six.

The Lady Wildcats built an 11-10 lead after one quarter, but the Lady Eagles reeled off 21 points in the second period to take a 31-25 lead at the half.

Lindale outscored Whitehouse, 12-8 in the third period before closing out the game with a 12-7 advantage in the fourth period.

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Simple guide to plant-based eating

By Smith County Extension Office

Some people assume the term "plantbased" is another way to describe vegetarian or vegan eating.

In reality, a broad spectrum of plantbased eating exists, and there's no one way to do it. If you're looking for tips to increase the amount of fruits and vegetables you eat—and maybe even foray into your own version of plantbased eating—use the below guide to understand what plant-based can mean, what its benefits are, and how you can implement this eating style.

Shifting to a more plant-based diet can be great for your health, but it's not necessary to follow an entirely vegetarian way of eating to glean these benefits. Including more plant-based foods in an omnivorous diet can be done. Use the "Rule of Three" to make meals and snacks more palatable.

Maybe beans and vegetables haven't

sounded too appealing lately. That's

OK — it's probably time to reinvent

your favorite (or new) plant foods by it doesn't happen overnight. enhancing their flavors.

Try adding spicy seasonings, garlic, extra-virgin olive oil, lime juice, or chopped herbs like cilantro and thyme. For extra flair, get creative by sautéing, baking, roasting, or boiling produce and adding spices like cinnamon, cumin, paprika, or red pepper flakes.

It may take some time and a little culinary exploration, but there are endless ways to enjoy more plant

If removing certain animal-based foods isn't appealing to you, consider an alternative approach: Add plantbased foods first, without completely subtracting animal-based foods. For example, if your breakfast is typically eggs and toast, try adding sautéed spinach or a piece of fruit. If lunch is a chicken sandwich, add a leafy green

Getting into a new food groove can take time — so don't be discouraged if

Maybe a meatless Monday meal isn't happening next week, but despite the benefits of following a primarily plant-based diet, it's not necessarily the most practical (or desired) choice for everyone.

Luckily, when it comes to making healthy changes, there's mushroom for improvement.

We all start at different places, and even small, incremental steps toward incorporating more plant-based foods in your daily eating pattern can lead to a positive difference and enduring health effects in the not-so-distant

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Peggy Mallory



With sadness we announce the passing of Peggy Mallory, age 92, as she passed away Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2024 at Van Health Care, as East Texas Hospice

took very good care of her.

She was born July 26, 1931 in Lindale.

and the funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, 2024 at Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home.

A visitation was held at 1:00 P.M.

She has been a lifelong resident of Lindale and a member of the First United Methodist Church in Lindale.

Peggy and her beloved husband Eric briefly lived in College Station while he attended Texas A&M University. She enjoyed fashion, shopping, eating out, going on vacations, and baking wonderful calorie rich desserts. Peggy was a teacher's aide for Lindale ISD for over 20 years.

She is preceded in death by parents, Vernon Glenn and Velma Eula (Land) Staples; husband, Eric Mallory in 2004; and sister, Glenda Staples. She is survived by son; Eric Glenn Mallory of Lindale; along with cousins and various family members.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Questions prior to next election

Dear Editor,

Before the next election, we need to ask these questions:

Do we really want open borders? Do we really want continued infla-

tion due to high gasoline prices because

oil reserves and coal are closed down? Do we want to continue to purge the federal government and punish anyone who don't agree with it?

Do we still want elections controlled by the federal government?

Do we want to continue to spend billions of dollars in foreign aid to countries that hate Israel and us?

This is not the America I know or want. Too much is at stake for voters to allow our government to have such power. Let's all rethink this and change our leadership.

> Edmund Kaup Lindale

Friends of Lillie Russell library announces officers

This year's officers for the Friends of the Lillie Russell Memorial Library have been chosen, publicity officials announced.

Tyanne Fabian is the 2024 president and Sharon Ratliff is the vice president. Mary Lu French is treasurer, Elizabeth Landers is recording secretary and Katie

The Friends will continue to hold their regular library activities including the annual Event Sponsorship and Membership

drive in January; book sales in May and

Brohard is the corresponding secretary.

October, Ladies Game Day on Aug. 5 and the Holiday Basket Sale in November. The book sale room at the library is

p.m., Tuesday-Thursday and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

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FRIDAY, JAN. 12: Traffic Hazard, 1100 block Carol Drive, Settled at Scene; Criminal Trespass, 100 block East Centennial, Warning Issued; Assist EMS, 400 block Baker Street, Settled at Scene; Public Service, 100 block East Centennial, Settled at Scene; Assist Another Agency, 200 block Miranda Lambert Way, Settled at Scene; Suspicious Circumstance, 300 block Hilltop Drive, Settled at Scene; Motor Vehicle Crash, 3500 block South Main Street, Settled at Scene; Public Service, 1300 block Hamilton Drive, Settled at Scene:

Public Service, 7700 block CR 4112, Settled at Scene; Motor Vehicle Crash, 3200 block South Main Street, Report; Assist Another Agency, 552 IH-20 East, Settled at Scene; Business Alarm, 2800 block South Main Street, False Alarm;

Verbal Disturbance, 1100 block Woodlands Park Drive, Settled at Scene; Business Alarm, 300 block North Main Street, Settled at Scene.

SATURDAY, JAN. 13: Loud Noise Complaint, 15200 block CR 467, Settled at Scene; Suspicious Vehicle, 17000 block IH-20 West, Settled at Scene; Business Alarm, 300 block North Main Street, False Alarm; Assist Smith Co SO, 13400 block IH-20 East, Settled at Scene; Suspicious Vehicle, 100 block East Centennial, Settled at Scene; Motor Vehicle Crash, 3200 block South Main Street, Report; Criminal Trespass, 3500 block South Main Street, Warning Issued; Public Service, 200 block Jeffries Street, Settled at Scene; Public Service, 13400 block CR 472, Settled at Scene: Public Service, 100 block Ballard Drive, Settled at Scene; Public Service, 400 block Hill Street, Settled at Scene; Verbal Disturbance, 300 block Kingdom Blvd., Settled at Scene; Suspicious Circumstance, 1500 block Wood Springs Road, Unable to Locate; Loud Noise Complaint, 15200 block CR 467, Unfounded.

SUNDAY, JAN. 14: Motor Vehicle Crash, 3300 block South Main Street, Settled at Scene; Motor Vehicle Crash, 500 block East Hubbard Street, Settled at Scene; Welfare Concern, 1300 block South Main Street, Unable to Locate; Motor Vehicle Crash, 556 IH-20 East, Report; Traffic Hazard,



900 block South Main Street, Settled at Scene; Disturbance, 200 block Jeffries Street, Settled at Scene;

Motor Vehicle Crash, 556 IH-20 West, Settled at Scene; Motor Vehicle Crash No. 1, 554 IH-20 East, Report; Motor Vehicle Crash No. 2, 554 IH-20 East, Report; Business Alarm, 100 block Miranda Lambert Way, Settled at Scene;

Assist DPS 551 IH-20 East, Settled at Scene; Motor Vehicle Crash, 3200 block South Main Street, Report; Business Alarm, 13700 block Harvey Road, Settled at Scene; Business Alarm, 13700 block Harvey Road, False Alarm.

MONDAY, JAN 15: Parking Violation, 100 block Freedom Drive, Settled at Scene; Mental Health Welfare Check, 13400 block CR 472, Settled at Scene;

Business Alarm, 13300 block IH-20 East, Settled at Scene; Business Alarm, 7700 block U.S. Highway 69 North, Settled at Scene; Motorist Assist, 553 IH-20 West, Settled at Scene; Motor Vehicle Crash,13600 block U.S. Highway 69 North, Settled at Scene; Motorist Assist, 556 IH-20 East, Settled at Scene; Motorist Assist, 1900 block South Main Street, Settled at Scene; Motor Vehicle Crash, 554 IH-20 East, Unable to Locate; Disturbance, 15300 block Spring Oaks Drive, Settled at Scene; Motorist Assist, 2200 block South Main Street, Settled at Scene; Traffic Hazard, 554 IH-20 East, Settled at Scene; Criminal Mischief, 555 IH-20 East, Settled at Scene; 911 Hang Up, 15300 block Spring Oaks Drive, Settled at Scene; Motor Vehicle Crash, 556 IH-20 East, Report; Disturbance, 600 block East South Street, Report.

TUESDAY, JAN. 16: Business Alarm, 13700 block Harvey Road, False Alarm; Business Alarm, 2700 block South Settled at Scene.

Main Street, False Alarm; Mental Health Welfare Check 13400 block CR 472, Settled at Scene; 911 Abuse, 13400 block CR 472, Settled at Scene; Welfare Concern, 100 block Legends Court, Settled at Scene; Motorist Assist, 1300 block Brad Circle, Settled at Scene; Suspicious Circumstance, 100 block Cannery Row, Settled at Scene; Parking Violation, 100 block East Centennial Blvd., Warning Issued; Disturbance, 17400 block Stacy Street, Settled at Scene; Business Alarm, 400 block South Main Street, False Alarm; Assist EMS 800 block Hickory Drive, Settled at Scene; Lockout, 500 block South Main Street, Settled at Scene; Parking Violation, 3500 block South Main Street, Settled at Scene; Family Violence, 3200 block South Main Street, Arrest.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 17: Suspicious Vehicle, 100 block East Centennial Blvd., Settled at Scene; Assist EMS, 400 block Baker Street, Settled at Scene; Business Alarm, 2400 block South Main Street, Settled at Scene; Public Service, 400 block Husky Drive, Settled at Scene; Traffic Hazard, 300 block South Main Street, Settled at Scene; Welfare Concern, 600 block East South Street, Settled at Scene; Public Service, 1100 block East Park Drive, Settled at Scene; Business Alarm, 300 block West Hubbard Street, False Alarm.

THURSDAY, JAN. 18: Lost Property, 800 block North Main Street, Settled at Scene; Welfare Concern, 1100 block East Park Drive, Settled at Scene; Welfare Concern, 200 block Highland Drive, Settled at Scene; Suspicious Circumstance, 100 block West Hubbard Street, Settled at Scene; Theft, 100 block East Centennial Blvd., Report; Motor Vehicle Crash, 1100 block South Main Street, Report; Verbal Disturbance, 13700 block CR 4198, Settled at Scene; Traffic Complaint, 3500 block South Main Street, Unable to Locate; Suspicious Circumstance, 200 block Bonnie Street, Unable to Locate; Welfare Concern, 1100 block East Park Drive, Settled at Scene; Inquest, 800 block Edgewood Circle, Report; Theft, 100 block East Centennial Blvd., Report; False Report to Peace Officer, 3500 block South Main Street, Arrest; Residential Alarm, 400 block Hill Street, False Alarm; Suspicious Circumstance, 500 block Sunset Drive, Settled at Scene; Suspicious Vehicle, 100 block Legends Court,

Wills Point woman sentenced for fraud

A Wills Point woman has been sentenced to federal prison for fraud violations in the Eastern District of Texas, said Davilyn Walston, spokesperson for U.S. Attorney Damien M. Diggs.

Lisa Lynn Smith, 62, pleaded guilty to wire fraud and was sentenced to 20 months in federal prison today by U.S. District Judge Amos Mazzant. Smith was also ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$47,236.94 to her elderly victim.

Acording to information presented in court, Smith carried out a scheme to defraud an elderly Plano man by telling him lies about urgent personal and family expenses that she was facing. Smith also convinced the victim that she was going to receive a lawsuit settlement for over \$2.5 million, and that she would use the money to pay the victim back for the money that he was giving to her. The victim would provide funds to Smith by various means including allowing Smith access to a credit card, which she used for various purposes such as repeatedly renting cars for her family members. In fact, Smith's lawsuit paid nothing close to this amount and Smith was using the money for personal and family expenses that she did not disclose to the victim.

If you or someone you know is age 60 or older and has been a victim of financial fraud, help is standing by at the National Elder Fraud Hotline: 1-833-FRAUD-11 (1-833-372-8311). This U.S. Department of Justice hotline, managed by the Office for Victims of Crime, is staffed by experienced professionals who provide personalized support to callers by assessing the needs of the victim, and identifying relevant next steps. Case managers will identify appropriate reporting agencies, provide information to callers to assist them in reporting, connect callers directly with appropriate agencies, and provide resources and referrals, on a case-by-case basis. Reporting is the first step. Reporting can help authorities identify those who commit fraud and reporting certain financial losses due to fraud as soon as possible can increase the likelihood of recovering losses. The hotline is staffed 10am-6pm Eastern Time, Monday-Friday. English, Spanish, and other languages are available.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Frisco Resident Agency and prosecuted by Assistant U.S. attorneys in the Plano office.

Southeast Texan sentenced for federal drug trafficking

An Orange, Texas man has been sentenced to federal prison for drug trafficking in the Eastern District of Texas, said Walston.

Roy Allen John, Jr., 47, pleaded guilty to possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine and possession of a firearm in relation to a drug trafficking crime and was

sentenced to 122 months in federal prison by U.S. District Judge Marcia A. Crone on Jan. 16, 2024.

According to information presented in court, in January of 2022, John was arrested after selling approximately 27.89 grams of methamphetamine to another person for \$350 cash in the Home Depot parking lot in Orange. An additional 123 grams of methamphetamine and three firearms were found in the vehicle John was driving.

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. PSN is an evidence-based program proven to be effective at reducing violent crime. Through PSN, a broad spectrum of stakeholders work together to identify the most pressing violent crime problems in the community and develop comprehensive solutions to address them. 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 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and the Orange Police Department and prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Joseph R. Batte.

Fannin County man gets fed prison time for bank robberies

A Leonard man has been sentenced to federal prison for robbing multiple banks in the Eastern District of Texas, Walston

Kevin Long, 31, pleaded guilty to bank robbery and was sentenced to 70 months in federal prison by U.S. District Judge Sean Jordan on January 18, 2024. Long was also ordered to pay restitution of \$573,000.

According to information presented in court, Long robbed multiple banks in East Texas between 2020 and 2021. During the robberies he passed threatening notes to bank employees, he physically restrained bank employees, and he stole over \$550,000. Those robberies include: CapTex Bank in Bonham on Jan. 31, 2020; Financial Bank in Farmersville on August 11, 2020; Bancorp South Bank in Tom Bean on Oct. 16, 2020; Commercial Bank in Farmerville on August 13, 2021; and First United Bank in Leonard on Aug. 20, 2021.

This case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Bonham Police Department, Farmersville Police Department, Grayson County Sheriff's Office, Sherman Police Department, Allen Police Department, Leonard Police Department, Bells Police Department, Tom Bean Police Department, and Texas Department of Public Safety.

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Fort Worth man indicted on fed drug trafficking charges

A Fort Worth man has been indicted for federal drug trafficking violations in the Eastern District of Texas, said Davilyn Walston, spokesperson for U.S. Attorney Damien M. Diggs.

Jimmie Jalen Humphries, 28, was named in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in November 2023, charging him with possession with intent to distribute fentanyl.

Humphries made his initial appearance on Jan.17, 2024 before U.S. Magistrate Judge Kimberly C. Priest Johnson. Humphries is set for a detention hearing before Judge Johnson on Jan. 22.

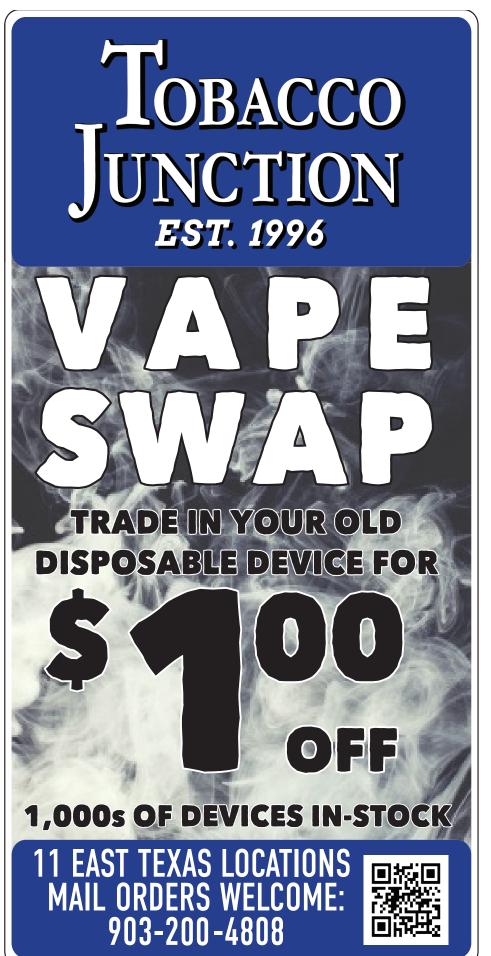
According to the indictment and information presented in court, in April 2023, Humphries mailed approximately 5,000 fentanyl pills from Frisco, Texas to the Washington, DC area.

Investigators from the U.S. Postal Inspection Service and the Drug Enforcement Administration later identified Humphries as the source of the fentanyl. Humphries was on supervised release for federal firearms violations out of Michigan at the time of the alleged offense. During his arrest, a search warrant was executed on Humphries' residence, resulting in the seizure of fentanyl pills, large sums of U.S. currency, ammunition, and extended high-capacity pistol magazines.

If convicted, Humphries faces from 10 years to life in federal prison.

This case is being investigated by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Lesley Brooks.

A grand jury indictment is not evidence of guilt. All defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law



Junior high girls defeat Canton

Winning two of four games, the Lindale Junior High School Lady Eagles basketball teams took on Canton recently in Lindale.

The 7th grade B team routed Canton, 27-2, the 7th grade A team fell, 37-13, the 8th grade B team took a 24-12 win and the 8th grade A team fell, 46-6.

For the 7th grade B team, Kierra Ross was the leading scorer while Avery Wehr was the leading rebounder. Kierra Ross led the team in steals and Reece Rand led in assists.

Ava Wilson was the leading scorer for the 7th grade A team while Kylynn Winkler led in rebounding. Khloe Collins was the team leader in steals and Eden Denson led in assists

For the 8th grade B team, Charli Morgan was the leading scorer and steals, Maci Gately led the team in rebounding and Breelynn Gordon led in assists. The Hustle Award was won by Maci Gateley and Lilly Simmons and Bryleigh Jackson and Olivia Jansen won the Leadership Award.

Brooklynn Wiggins, KayLea Williams and Rachel Kelley were leading scorers for the 8th grade A team, while KayLea Williams led the team in rebounding. Brooklynn Wiggins was the leader in steals and Evie Provo won the Hustle Award.

Lindale, Hideaway students earn TJC academic honors

Tyler Junior College has recognized 1,720 students named to the president's and dean's lists for their academic excellence during the Fall 2023 semester with several from Lindale and Hideaway earning honors.

The president's list consists of 667 students who completed a minimum of 12 hours of college-level courses with a 4.0 grade-point average.

The dean's list consists of 1,053 students who completed a minimum of 12 hours of college-level courses with a minimum 3.3 grade-point average.

Lindale students earning President's List honors include Afraiem Abdelshahid, Anya Arocha, Madison Batie, Trinity Boaz, Karissa Burdine, Kailey Cloud, Chelsie Cochran, Cody Davis, Bailee DeWolfe, Emilee DeWolfe, Drake Duplechain, Naomi Estrada, Kayla Fernandez, Mauricio Flores, Charles Ford, Kayden Freeman, Javier Gaona, Rachael Gibbs, Kaitlyn Groth, Emily Hartman, Miles Hill, Fengshan Jin, Brooke Laymance, Morgan Lee,

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Hideaway students earning President's List honors include Megan McGee, Tex Minter and Bailey Thorn.
Lindale students earning Dean's List honors include Bowen Adams, Dylan Adams, Kenleigh Aguirre, Christopher Ahmet, Bailey Allen, Homero Aparicio, Rachel Beeler, Nicholas Beitel, Brady Bethany, Emma Caldwell, Rylen Calverley, Ian Cline, Laniya Daniels, Ryan Darden, Ryder Dennis, Dawson Derfelt, Dillon Derfelt, Lydia Doyle,

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Hideaway students earning Dean's List honors include Jack Kinkade, Stella Schwartz, Destiny Taylor and Brandon Waldron.

Past year was memorable for ShareLunker

The 2023 Toyota ShareLunker season was a memorable one, thanks to the 346 anglers from across the nation who entered 497 lunker largemouth bass into the program throughout the year from 89 Texas public waterbodies, publicity officials said.

The total included 313 in the Lunker Class (weighing between eight to 9.99 pounds or at least 24 inches), 154 Elite Class (weighing 10 to 12.99 pounds), 18 Legacy Class (weighing 13 pounds or more and caught between Jan. 1 and March 31) and 12 Legend Class Lunkers that were 13 pounds or more caught outside the spawning season. These entries provided valuable data to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) biologists across Texas in their ongoing efforts to manage largemouth bass populations.

In addition to helping produce bigger, better bass for Texas lakes, anglers who enter their big bass catches in the program receive special recognition and prizes, including an entry into a year-end drawing to win a \$5,000 Bass Pro Shops shopping spree.

"Thank you to everyone who submitted the lunker bass to the Toyota ShareLunker program," said Natalie Goldstrohm, Toyota ShareLunker coordinator. "The 2023 ShareLunker season marked numerous milestones, and we're delighted to conclude it with the year-end grand prize drawing. We're excited to announce that angler Lee Beuershausen was randomly selected as the winner among all eligible 2023 entries, securing a \$5,000 Bass Pro Shops shopping spree. Make sure to submit your Lunker bass through the ShareLunker app or website for a chance to be part of the drawing for the 2024 season."

Beuershausen reeled in his 13.34-pound Legacy Class ShareLunker 648 on March 11 during a tournament. at O.H. Ivie Reservoir.

"TPWD staff arrived quickly that day to collect her and were very careful handling the fish," said Beuershausen. "I really respect what TPWD does and think this is an awesome program. The results of the work TPWD is doing are shown in our lakes. We never caught 25- to 30-pound bags up until the last 15–20 years since this program has been in place. This is a big deal to us."

Beuershausen said it was an incredible surprise to learn that he won the year end prize drawing.

"This Bass Pro Shops shopping spree is really the icing on the cake," added Beuershausen. "The whole experience with the ShareLunker program since I caught the Legacy Lunker has been amazing. Everyone has been great, and it



Lawrence Lee of Temple hauled in the first Legacy Class Sharelunker of 2024 from J.B. Thomas Reservoir on Jan. 17. The fish weighed 13.79 pounds. (Courtesy photo)

was awesome to be able to go to the ShareLunker banquet and see the operation firsthand at the Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center in Athens."

In addition to the 18 Legacy Class Lunkers donated by anglers, Shawn Strength from Raymond, Miss. submitted a massive Legend Class Lunker Nov. 15 from O.H. Ivie. His fish weighed in at 16.65 pounds and joined Texas' Top 50 biggest largemouth bass of all-time list. Strength also collected a genetic sample from his catch and sent it to TPWD for analysis.

O.H. Ivie led all waterbodies with 75 entries during the 2023 season followed by Toledo Bend (53), Lake Fork (24), Conroe (21) and Possum Kingdom (19) to round out the top five. The complete list of 2023 entries can be viewed on the Toyota ShareLunker archives page.

During the first three months of the season (Jan. 1 through March 31), anglers who reel in a 13-plus pound bass can loan it to TPWD for the ShareLunker selective breeding and stocking program. These anglers can call the ShareLunker hotline at (903) 681-0550 to report their catch 24/7 through March 31, 2024.

Anglers who catch and loan one of these 13-plus pound

lunkers earn Legacy Class status, receive a catch kit filled with merchandise, a 13lb+ Legacy decal for their vehicle or boat, VIP access to the Toyota ShareLunker Annual Awards event, a high-quality replica mount of their fish from Lake Fork Taxidermy, and Bass University will provide a swag pack and annual subscription. These anglers will also receive entries into two separate drawings – a Legacy Class Drawing and the year-end Grand Prize Drawing. Both drawings will award the winner a \$5,000 Bass Pro Shops shopping spree.

The year-round Toyota ShareLunker program offers four levels of participation for catching bass over eight pounds or 24-inches in Texas.

Anglers who enter data for any lunker they catch greater than eight pounds or 24-inches during the 2024 calendar year also receive a catch kit, a decal for their vehicle or boat, a one-month subscription to Bass University and an entry into the year-end Grand Prize Drawing to win a \$5,000 Bass Pro Shops shopping spree. ShareLunker entry classes include the Bass Pro Shops Lunker Class (8 lb.+), Strike King Elite Class (10 lb.+), and Lew's Legend Class (13 lb.+).

Once a lunker is reeled in, anglers need to enter the catch data on the Toyota ShareLunker mobile app – available for free from the <u>Apple App Store</u> and <u>Google Play</u> – or on the Toyota ShareLunker online app at <u>TexasSharelunker.com</u>.

In addition to providing basic catch information, anglers have the option to send a DNA scale sample from their lunker bass to TPWD researchers for genetic analysis. Anglers who contribute a sample to the program in 2024 will receive a Lew's baitcast reel valued at up to \$200 while supplies last, with a limit of one reel per angler. Anglers that send in a genetic sample will also get a three-month subscription to Bass University. Instructions for submitting DNA samples are located on the Toyota ShareLunker website.

The Toyota ShareLunker Program is made possible in part by the generous sponsorship of Toyota. Toyota is a longtime supporter of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation and TPWD, providing major funding for a wide variety of fisheries, state parks and wildlife projects.

Additional vital program support comes from Legend class category prize sponsor Lew's, Elite class category prize sponsor Strike King, Lunker class category prize sponsor Bass Pro Shops, American Fishing Tackle Co., Bass Forecast, Bass University, Lake Fork Taxidermy and 6th Sense Fishing. For updates on the Toyota ShareLunker Program, visit <u>facebook.com/sharelunkerprogram/</u>, https://www.instagram.com/TexasShareLunker/ or <u>TexasSharelunker.com</u>.

How to handle seizures in pets

From Texas A&M School Of Veterinary Services

Seizures, which are caused by a burst of uncontrolled electrical activity between brain cells, can be scary and often lead to uncertainty for pet owners, as seizures affect a pet's movements, behavior, senses, or state of awareness.

To assist pet owners in better understanding these conditions in companion animals, <u>Dr. Christine Rutter</u>, a clinical associate professor of emergency medicine at the Texas A&M School of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, offers insight on the symptoms, potential triggers and care-plan essentials in the event that a pet experiences a seizure.

The Range Of Symptoms

Because the underlying cause of seizures is not always known, Rutter says it can be difficult to predict what a seizure will look like.

"Some seizures look like what we all imagine, a pet laying on its side, drooling and shaking, but there are many different types of seizures," Rutter explained. "Seizures can look like fly biting, facial twitching, staring into space and not responding to their name, and several more subtle manifestations."

Being aware of common signs, however, can be essential for owners to accurately detect a

seizure and determine whether prompt veterinary attention is required.

"It is likely for pets that have a seizure to have excessive drooling or urinate and defecate on themselves or in the area where they are seizing," Rutter said. "A change in mentation, or mental functioning, is also really common in pets that have a seizure; this can occur before, during and after the seizure event, lasting minutes to hours. Pets may be clingy, compulsive, fearful, aggressive, unresponsive to voice interactions or seem lost during a change in mentation."

Potential Triggers

Determining the cause of seizures in pets often involves a collaborative effort between veterinarians and owners. Some causes, such as metabolic conditions and brain changes, may require testing to confirm the diagnosis.

"There are many reasons pets have seizures, and those that don't have an underlying cause for their seizures are often diagnosed with epilepsy," Rutter said. "In this case, it's important to have a veterinarian do blood testing to rule out underlying metabolic diseases, such as low blood sugar, kidney failure, and electrolyte disturbances, among many others.

It's time to start planting the state vegetable

By Greg Grant We Texans love our onions.

Of course, we are home to the "Noonday Onion" as well as the famous 1015Y Texas Super Sweet onion. And though a native of Paki-

stan, onions are our state vegetable.
Onions are easy to grow in East
Texas if you remember to grow
them when the temperatures are
cool, and the days are short.

Onions are cool-weather plants that "bolt" or bloom when the weather is hot, and the days are long.

For onion tops to be vigorous, tender, and mild, the weather must be cool. Onions can tolerate frosts but not hard freezes, so they should be planted from bundled bare-root transplants known as "sets" between late January and mid-February.

To make large onion bulbs, it's very important to get them out as early as possible, as late planted onions make small bulbs.

Onions require at least 8 hours of direct sun each day for maximum yields. Like most root crops, they do best in well-drained sandy and loamy soils. It is ideal to till in several inches of compost or organic matter and incorporate 2 pounds of a complete lawn fertilizer (15-5-10, 18-6-12, etc.) per 100 square foot of bed or every 35 feet of row before planting. In smaller plantings use 2 teaspoons per square foot or foot of row.

The ideal soil pH for growing onions is 5.5-7.0, so here we generally need to apply lime every few years.



Onions can be grown in raised beds or raised rows 6 inches high, 18 inches wide, and 36 inches apart. Use a stick or hoe handle to poke holes into the soil 1 inch deep. Place the transplants, root side down, into each hole.

Gently firm them in and water immediately to settle the soil around them. Onions can also be grown in whiskey barrel sized (30 gallon) containers.

Onions are relatively easy to grow provided they have lots of sunshine, cool temperatures, high fertility, and regular moisture when forming bulbs. Around 3-4 weeks after planting or when the plants are 6 inches tall, fertilize them with 1 cup of high nitrogen fertilizer (21-0-0, etc.) for each 35 feet of row.

Sprinkle half of the fertilizer down each side of the row. Lightly

work it into the soil and then water. Be careful not to damage the base of the plants. Hand weeding around them is best. After side-dressing with fertilizer, it is ideal to apply a layer of organic mulch (hay, pine straw, grass clippings, etc.) to conserve water and prevent weeds. Despite what old timers may have told you, the more foliage your onions make, the larger the bulbs will be when the days start to get longer, and the bulbs begin to form. Every leaf forms a ring in the onion.

Green onions for their tops can be harvested at any time. They are most tender when they are small. Onion bulbs are ready to harvest when the necks of the plants get soft, and the tops fall over.

They should be pulled or dug at this point and allowed to cure for several days in a cool dry area. The tops should then be cut off one inch above the onion. This curing process helps them store longer.

Recommended varieties for East Texas include 'Texas 1015Y' (Texas Supersweet), 'Grano 502', 'Granex' (Noonday, Vidalia), 'Granex 33', 'White Granex', 'Red Granex', 'Candy', 'Burgundy', and 'Texas Legend.' Feed stores and garden centers often offer fresh Texas grown sets or they can be ordered directly from the farmer at dixondalefarms.com.

Greg Grant is the Smith County horticulturist and Master Gardener coordinator for the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

Dishing dirt on a world of dirt

By Dora McLain **Smith County Master** Gardner

Growing up in the suburbs of Chicago I thought everyone had the rich black compost that we had the privilege of having in my back yard.

Of course, if you dug too far down it would turn to really heavy clay but we had around 3 to 4 feet of this wonderful soil.

We grew all sorts of great plants from raspberries, apples, tomatoes, not to mention Irises, Lily of the Valley, Hostas and all kinds of ornamental trees.

I even had my own garden where I grew lots of Tiger Lilys. Then I got married and moved away and little did I know I would never find that wonderful soil again.

I married a sailor and

traveling the U.S. First few years we rented apartments but as soon as we could afford it we started renting

First house was in Pensacola, Fla. I loved all the big oaks but soon found out that meant large water bugs and lots of shade. The soil there was sandy and not very conducive to growing much because of the shade from those great oaks.

But we did manage to get a few things to grow while we were there.

Next house was in San Diego, Calif. It had a beautiful view of a valley, but the hill was stucco or at least the clay that they used for stucco. It did not hold water even though we had lots of

It was difficult to dig but

we spent the next 21 years once you got a hole the plants would take off. We did manage to have about a six-foot tall poinsettia in our front window area and I loved that.

> Next was Bel Air, Md. I thought I was back in Chicago when we started to dig as it seemed like the black gold I had there but it soon became apparent it was nothing like what I grew up with. It was mucky (is that a word)? We had to add all kinds of mulch to even get a few things to grow but we did manage to get some fairly good harvests from our garden.

Really enjoyed being that close to the Smithsonian as we spent as much time going through those buildings.

Our last house was back in Santee, Calif. Loved the house but hated the soil, or



should I say rock. We lived on a hill that was called DG which stood for decomposed granite.

You needed a breaker bar to even start a hole. We decided to try to make raised beds along the side of the yard and that did work but

we had to bring in all kinds of real soil. We eventually had a lemon, apricot and green grapes that we could go munch on as we enjoyed our pool.

It was time to end our career in the Navy and decided to move to Texas. Red dirt, that is all we had.

Hard to grow anything in that but we did manage to get a little to grow in Nacogdoches.

We now live in Lindale with sandy soil. Once we got enough compost mixed in we are having some real luck with our yard. Vegetables, some fruit and lots of beautiful flowers have blessed us with their presence.

The one thing about all of the places that we lived is that we planted a rose or in some cases a bed of roses at every house for the new owners or renters to enjoy as a gift from us.

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

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS NO. 47979P

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of January, 2024, Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Barry Lee Jones, Deceased, were issued to Glenda Kay Alford Jones by the Honorable Court of Smith County, Texas in Cause No. 47979P pending on the Probate Docket of said

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Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO or the Company) publishes this notice that on September 29, 2023, it filed its Statement of Intent and Application for Authority to Amend Transmission Cost Recovery Factor (TCRF) with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) in Docket No. 55438. The filing was made in accordance with the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA) § 36.209 and 16 Tex. Admin. Code (TAC) § 25.239. The TCRF will recover SWEP-CO's reasonable and necessary costs for transmission infrastructure improvements as well as changes in wholesale transmission charges under a tariff approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to the extent that the costs or charges have not otherwise been recovered. In this application, SWEPCO seeks to recover its transmission capital investments from July 1, 2022 through July 31, 2023. SWEPCO also seeks to recover through the TCRF approved transmission charges that are not otherwise being recovered through current rates. This notice is being published in accordance with PURA § 36.103 and 16 TAC § 22.51(a)(l).

STATEMENT OF INTENT TO CHANGE RATES

SWEPCO requests that the Commission approve an increase of \$3,461,491 above the revenue requirement approved by the Commission in SWEPCO's last TCRF proceeding, Docket No. 54040 for its Texas retail customers. This amounts to a 0.86% percent increase in SWEPCO's overall annualized Texas retail revenue requirement. SWEPCO proposes that its requested rate change become effective on November 3, 2023, which is 35 days after the filing of the Statement of Intent and Application. The proposed effective date is subject to suspension and extension by actions that may be taken by the Commission.

All customers in SWEPCO's Texas retail rate classes will be affected by this change. The impact of the rate change on various customer classes will vary from the overall impact described in this notice.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Persons with questions or who want more information on SWEPCO's Statement of Intent and Application may contact SWEPCO at 428 Travis Street, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101, or call toll-free at (888) 216-3523 during normal business hours. A complete copy of the Statement of Intent and Application and related filings is available for inspection at the address listed in the previous sentence.

Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible, as an intervention deadline will be imposed. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136. A request for intervention or for further information should refer to Docket No. 55438. Unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, motions to intervene will be due 45 days from the date SWEPCO filed its Statement of Intent and Application with the Commission.

East Texas keeps pace with state in latest jobs report

The Texas labor market reached historic highs in 2023, breaking records in employment growth and civilian labor force, according to recently released figures from the Texas Employment Commission.

In December, the state's seasonally adjusted job count reached 14,103,300 jobs, an increase of 19,100 over the month—marking 27 consecutive months of new series employment

	December-23					November-23			
Area	Area Type	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
Texas	State	15,147,835	14,619,352	528,483	3.5	15,276,313	14,741,641	534,672	3.5
Longview	MSA	99,343	95,417	3,926	4.0	99,832	96,011	3,821	3.8
Tyler	MSA	113,270	109,574	3,696	3.3	114,414	110,655	3,759	3.3
East Texas	WDA	397,617	383,335	14,282	3.6	401,156	386,839	14,317	3.6

highs.

The numbers from November in the Tyler/East Texas area reflect this uptick with an unemployment rate of 3.3 percent out of a combined labor force of 114.400, while 110.600 were

employed.

Texas' employment growth rate continued to outpace the nation by a full percentage point, with 2.7 percent annual growth in the state from December 2022 to December 2023, compared

to the nation's 1.7 percent.

The Texas seasonally adiusted civilian labor force grew over the month by 11,100 people to reach 15,203,900 in December. This marked a 12 consecutive monthly increase and included the addition of 18,400 Texans employed. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped from 4.1 percent in November to 4.0 percent in December.

"Texas' record-breaking employment growth remains a clear sign of the state's economic strength," said TWC Chairman Bryan Daniel. "We finished 2023 with thousands more jobs in the state than at any other time in history."

Statewide, seven of 11 major industries in Texas achieved series highs. Trade, Transportation, and Utilities saw significant growth with 7,100 jobs added, while 6,800 jobs were added in Private Education and Health Services and Leisure and Hospitality, respectively.

"The month-over-month increase in jobs is good news for every Texan." said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Alberto Treviño III. "This continued growth shows that job seekers are taking advantage of career opportunities in the Lone Star State. TWC has the resources, services, and training to upskill job seekers and meet the demands of Texas employers."

The Midland Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) maintained the lowest unemployment rate among Texas MSAs with a not seasonally adjusted rate of 2.1 percent in December, followed by the Amarillo MSA at 2.5 percent, and College Station-Bryan at 2.6 percent.

"The data shows Texas employers continue to grow and thrive as all major industries in the state expanded over the year," said TWC Commissioner Representing Employers Joe Esparza. "To continue this growth, TWC and our 28 Workforce Solutions partners offer an array of resources for businesses to upskill, create new jobs and keep pace with the rapidly growing Texas economy."

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Girls Coaches Association soccer poll.

The undefeated Lindale High School Lady Eagles soccer team is ranked No. 15 in the state in the latest Texas State

Unbeaten Lady Eagles No. 15 in Texas

The Lady Eagles routed Cumberland Academy, 7-0, recently in Tyler in their District 14-4A opener.

In that game, Lindale ran off to a 5-0 lead in the first half. It was the 6th win of the season to boost the Lady Eagles' record to 6-0-2.

On the season, Lindale has scored 28 goals and allowed

Prior to the district opener, the Lady Eagles earned a 2-1 victory over Nacogdoches on Saturday, Jan. 13 in the Bullard High School Tournament.

In their first game of the Bullard tourney, the Lady Eagles shut down Henderson, 1-0.

The Lady Eagles ran off a three-game winning streak to start the season, with a 4-0 decision over Austin Achieve High School on Jan. 4 and followed that up with an 8-1 domination of Carrolton Ranchview on Jan. 6.

In their home opener on Jan. 9 against Paris North Lamar, the Lady Eagles coasted to a 6-0 win.

Back to back 0-0 tie games against Chapel Hill and Palestine, respectively, followed before the Lady Eagles scored their two wins in the Bullard Tournament.

Lindale earned a berth in the state playoffs last year and fell to Henderson in the bi-district round. The Lady Eagles compete in District 14-4A. Bullard, ranked No. 19 in the state, also competes in District 14-4A.

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