



## RODEO CELEBRATES 85TH YEAR

June 8-11, 8:15 p.m. nightly

Break out the cowboy hat, dust off the boots - it's Rodeo Time in Gladewater! The Gladewater Round-Up Rodeo rides into town, Wednesday - Saturday, June 8–11, at the Gladewater Rodeo Arena located on US Highway 80. All the high-flying excitement starts Wednesday, June 8, with a full night of XTreme Bulls, followed by three nights of PRCA rodeo excitement Thursday, June 9–Saturday, June 11. Gates open nightly at 6 p.m.

Tickets for the 85th Gladewater Round-Up Rodeo can be purchased online at GladewaterRodeo.com. Tickets are \$16 for adults / \$8 for kids (12 and under). Children 2 and under are free. Proceeds from the Gladewater Round-Up Rodeo go to funding scholarships for area students.

Reserved Seating is available until 6 p.m. each night, and group tickets (20% savings on 10 or more adult tickets) are also available through GladewaterRodeo.com.

Plus, all active members of the military and first responders are eligible for special half-price tickets for Thursday night, June 9; available only at the Gladewater Round-Up Rodeo Ticket Office with a valid ID.

The Ticket Office on the rodeo grounds is located just north of Highway 80 in Gladewater and will be open for ticket sales Monday–Saturday, June 6–11, starting at 9 a.m. daily. For ticket questions, call 903-576-5963.

Kids Mutton Bustin' (5–7 years of age; under 50 pounds) will be held all four night a participating children will receive one (1) free adult ticket for signing up. Mutton Bustin' starts at 7:45 p.m. nightly.

The Gladewater Round-Up Rodeo's nightly Calf Scramble is free to kids in two age groups: 8 and Under and ages 9–12. Two winners per age group will each win a \$50 cash prize. No preregistration is required.

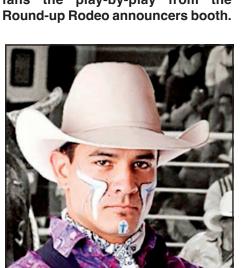
The Annual Gladewater Handicapable Rodeo for children and people with special needs will take place Saturday, June 11, 10 a.m.–1 p.m. at the Gladewater Rodeo Arena, located on US Highway 80. This free event features a variety of fun-filled activities,



Kallie Rogers and Meagan Hodge competed Saturday in hopes of becoming Miss Gladewater Rodeo 2022-2023. They competed in horsemanship in the morning, and then the speaking portions in the afternoon. Coronation will be held Saturday night during the rodeo.



Greg Simas will be bringing rodeo fans the play-by-play from the Round-up Rodeo announcers booth.



Judd Napier Professional Bullfighter



Professional rodeo clown and barrel man "Backflip" Johnny Dudley will keep you laughing.



Wacey Munsell Professional Bullfighter



Don Gay will provide the color analyst to give rodeo fans insight and flavor, in a style all his own.



Mike Driver Professional Bullfighter



**RICKY TOW** 

# City Manager headed back to Cameron

The Cameron Harold reported last week that Gladewater City Manger Ricky Tow is going to be The City of Cameron's next city manager.

"It took a little longer, but Cameron City Council got the man they wanted to lead their town moving forward," the paper reported.

Cameron Mayor Bill Harris said the city has agreed to a contract with Gladewater City Manager Ricky Tow.

That is likely a familiar name for Cameron residents as Tow spent 4 years leading Cameron before leaving in 2013 to become City Manager in Bowie. He later moved on to lead Gladewater in 2017, where he has been ever since. Prior to coming to Cameron, he was city administrator for Alvord.

Mayor Harris said Tow will make his return with a July 18 start date. Tow is now replacing the man who took over after he left eight years ago, Rhett Parker, who resigned last July.

Mayor Harris has been running the city on an interim basis.

The Gladewater City Council met in special session Tuesday night to discuss this change in leadership and accept Tow's resignation.

Last month the council was advised the city treasurer is leaving for another position. So this leaves the city without two of its top leadership team members. The unexpected change also is occurring just as the city council enters its budget process for next year. Mayor Scott Owens said the city will most likely hire a search firm to find Tow's replacement and hire an interim city manager in the meantime.

## Sentences handed down

## By Phillip Williams

115th District Judge Dean Fowler sentenced three defendants last week after they pleaded guilty to unrelated felony charges in Gilmer, said Upshur County District Attorney Billy Byrd's office.

Details were as follows, and the Upshur County Sheriff's Office investigated each case, Byrd's office reported:

Benjamin Daniel Grimm, 42, of Gilmer, was placed on five years regular probation May 31 for assault/family violence--occlusion.

The crime occurred Jan. 8, 2021. Assistant District Attorney Michael Northcutt Jr. represented the state at sentencing; Longview attorney David Hagan represented Grimm.

Payton Cole Wisdom, 25, of Gilmer, drew five years in prison June 1 for assault/family violence-occlusion with previous conviction.

The offense occurred last Oct. 23. Northcutt represented the state at sentencing; Marshall attorney Craig Fletcher represented Wisdom.

Katelyn Renee Brown of Hallsville was sentenced on her 22nd birthday June 1 to two years "deferred" probation for burglary of habitation.



**THE FIRST AMENDMENT:** Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of all the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

## Yep, my heroes have always been cowboys...

My heroes really have always been cowboys.

The best cowboy I ever knew raised me. Before ranch accidents and crippling arthritis he rode like the wind. He and a horse in motion were something to see.

When the Round Up Rodeo rolls around every year I get a little homesick for a way of life that is mostly just precious memories for me.

Later in life my Dad was more likely to rope cattle while riding the hood of a beat-up pickup truck driven by Mom than from a horse. I am still amazed he didn't get run over. I don't know if that speaks to his athleticism or Mom's driving skills.

I have also seen Dad try to separate two full grown, fighting bulls while his border collie bit the neck of one and shook until that Brangus beast moved away from Dad a few cracked ribs too late.

Daddy taught me to corral cattle on foot or by truck, vaccinate, brand and more. Don't ask about the 'more'. Jim Bardwell can too, because my Daddy said that 'cowboying' came with marrying me. But that is an entirely different column.

When I was a kid the ranch across from ours had a private rodeo arena, the 4G-O and all I had to do was walk across FM 709 to get a taste of cowboy competition. Soon our fifth generation Working B Ranch and the old 4G-O may be claimed by eminent domain and Japanese High Speed Rail. I want to cry every time I think about it. But memories can not be taken, even by eminent domain. And those memories are nearly all good ones.

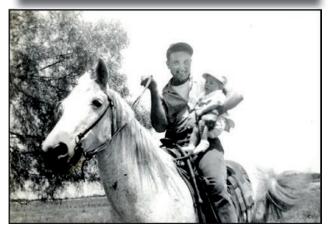
We will make a few memories of our own this week right here in Gladewater.

When thsi year's Round Up Rodeo swings out of the chute Wednesday it will be a full course banquet of Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association world class competition. We have a lot to love about Round Up. If you haven't attended in awhile, or ever, you are missing one of, if not the best, entertainment offered anywhere. From little kid Mutton Bustin' and calf scrambles down in the dirt to barrel racing, steer wrestling, bull and bronc riding to bull fighting this is a show you won't want to miss.

The sport of rodeo is one of the most dangerous in America. It requires a level of skill that no other sport does. Barrel racing and team calf roping are precision events. And check out the bull fighters, they may be dressed like clowns, but there is nothing funny about the fact that their very dangerous job is to make sure the cowboys get out of the arena in

## The Best of Suzanne **Bardwell**





Now those bull and bronc riders, those tough old boys are a different breed altogether. I always try to visit just a minute with the young cowboys while they get ready for their events.

They are wrapping ribs, knees and elbows. They usually limp, share tape and jokes. They are passionate about their sport, their way of life and supportive of each other despite their seriously competitive sport.

What a parable for the rest of us. Passion, commitment, friendship and encouragement. Sounds like a recipe for living life well. Something we should all strive to imitate and share with others.

We all need to thank the folks who make up the rodeo association who work all year long to bring a world class event to Gladewater, Texas. This dedicated team not only puts Gladewater on the national rodeo radar every year, their event brings nationally ranked cowboys and cowgirls, as well as thousands of dollars to Gladewater in visitor money. To top it all off, all the proceeds from the rodeo go to college scholarships for area students. Scholarships that give kids a hand up and puts them on the road to success. That is pretty dog gone impressive.

Yep, like I said, my heroes have always been cowboys and that is never going to change.

Well done Round Up Rodeo directors, wranglers and sponsors, you give a great gift to this community and continue a legacy that spans over eight decades.

Gladewater is a part of our national rodeo history and it is still making history. Come and share that history this week. You won't be sorry. I promise.

And cowboys, thanks for the memories. Past and present.

## **Gary Borders Capital Highlights**



### TEA directed to make schools safer

Gov. Greg Abbott has directed the Texas Education Agency to ensure school facilities are made safer in the wake of the killing of 19 children and two teachers at Robb Elementary in Uvalde. In a letter to TEA Commissioner Mike Morath, the governor requested the agency:

- Instruct school districts to identify actions to make campuses more secure prior to the start of the new school year.
- Instruct all school districts to conduct weekly inspections
- of exterior doors to verify they are secure during school hours. • Develop strategies to encourage school districts to increase the presence of trained law enforcement officers and school

marshals on campuses. The state has made an initial \$5 million investment to establish a Family Resiliency Center in Uvalde County. The center will provide psychological services, crisis counseling and other health services for those affected by the massacre.

To date, the governor has rejected calls for a special session to consider additional gun control measures. Instead, he has asked legislative leaders to convene special committees to develop recommendations on school safety, mental health, social media, police training, firearm safety and other issues.

## GOP donors urge Congress to act on gun control

More than 250 major Republican donors in Texas signed an open letter published in The Dallas Morning News urging congressional action to increase gun restrictions. The letter was published as a full-page ad on Sunday. It endorses the creation of red-flag laws, raising the age to purchase a gun to 21, and expansion of background checks.

"Most law enforcement experts believe these measures would make a difference," the letter reads. "And recent polls of fellow conservatives suggest that there is strong support for such gun-safety measures."

Texas Sen. John Cornyn is leading bipartisan negotiations on possible gun reform measures.

"We are grateful that our Senator John Cornyn is leading efforts to address the recent tragedies in Uvalde and elsewhere across our great Country," the letter says. "He's the right man to lead this bipartisan effort, as he has demonstrated throughout his career."

Among those signing the letter are major financial supporters of Abbott.

## Inflation increase is highest in 40 years

A report by the state comptroller's office notes that inflation increased to 8.5% nationally in March—"the highest year-overyear percent change in consumer prices since January 1982."

Food and energy prices were the leading contributors, with gas prices reaching record levels. The largest source of inflation in food products were in meat, poultry, fish and eggs, up 14.3% in the past year.

The comptroller's report said the increase in prices is likely a "confluence of economic pressures related to the coronavirus pandemic stemming from both the supply side and the demand

The pandemic disrupted production and transportation lines in the global supply chains, which are not expected to fully recover until next year. In addition, demand now exceeds production capacity, often leading to empty grocery shelves and nearly empty lots at car dealerships.

Finally, Russia's invasion of Ukraine and the subsequent sanctions on that country have contributed to driving up the cost of oil.

## **Emergency SNAP benefits again extended**

Once again, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission has received approval from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to provide nearly \$318 million in emergency food benefits under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program for June.

All SNAP households will get a minimum of \$95 in additional food allotments on top the regular allotment. More than \$6.9 billion in emergency benefits have been provided to Texans since April 2020.

"We're here to support families when they need us most," said Texas HHSC Access and Eligibility Services Deputy Executive Commissioner Wayne Salter. "Providing access to fresh, nutritious foods is essential for healthy families."

## one piece while they distract 2-ton raging bulls. THE ECONOMIST

**By Dr. M. Ray Perryman** 

## Embargo!

bargo on Russian oil in response to the invasion of Ukraine. By yearend, about 90% of Russian oil import volumes could be affected. It's a major blow to Moscow, which relies on

oil and natural gas sales for economic sustainability.

Another piece of the latest sanctions calls for European companies to cease insuring and shipping Russian oil. Even as some countries independently stopped purchasing Russian oil recently, much of it simply shifted from one destination to another (a common occurrence in markets). However, few buyers will risk an uninsured

shipment in turbulent times, and with European shippers no longer providing service, it will be much harder to successfully export.

Reducing European reliance on Russian natural gas, which is the real source of its economic strength and leverage, will take much longer. While the liquified natural gas (LNG) market is developing, it will take time to reach levels sufficient to supply Europe. In addition to facilities to liquify the gas where it is plentiful (such as the Texas Gulf Coast, with pipeline connections to major production areas), regasification facilities are needed at the other end before the

The European Union (EU) has announced a partial emgas can be used. The infrastructure is extremely expensive and takes years to build (our firm has worked extensively in permitting these projects). The invasion has created both geopolitical urgency and greater opportunities for profit, two key ingredients which will likely accelerate development.

> The immediate price effect of the sanctions is apparent, with West Texas Intermediate crude in the \$115 per barrel range as I am writing. As a result, a rapid increase in energy activity is underway. In early 2022, rig counts stood at 274 in Texas and 588 nationally; the latest count is 358 in Texas and 727 nationally. The US oil industry is stepping up to meet global energy needs. Even with challenges such as shortages of workers and supplies and unfavorable federal policy directions, the surge has been impressive. The Permian Basin will set a production record topping 5.2 million barrels per day in June, even with operating rigs still running well below pre-pandemic levels.

> The Russian economy is smaller than that of Texas and is dominated by oil and natural gas. Imports by the EU traditionally bring massive inflows to Moscow. It can't happen overnight, but an effective and concerted effort to neutralize Russia's ability to wage war can succeed over time. The EU embargo, although it will bring higher prices temporarily, is a major step on this long journey. The complete trek will require other notable actors and actions, many of which can be facilitated by the vast energy production, processing, and transportation resources found in Texas.

Stay safe!

## The

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## THE TRIVIALIZATION OF GOD

Donald W. McCullough, in his book, "The Trivialization of God" says, "When the true story gets told, whether in the partial light of historical perspective or in the perfect light of eternity, it may well be revealed that the worst sin of the church at the end of the 20th century has been the trivialization of God" p. 13. God has been pared down to more manageable proportions, and refashioned to fit people's expectations, and to service their desires. And so, people seek to control God, by making Him suit their own personal needs. Often, we hear, "It doesn't make any difference what you believe and teach, we all worship the same God!" They form the mental image of the kind of God they think God ought to be, hence, "a God of their liking."

In Psalms 50: 21 God said, "You thought I was one like yourself." Many want a God that thinks like they want Him to think; act like they want Him to act; and reason like they want Him to reason. And so, they have elevated themselves to the high position of God, and in so doing have brought God down to their own level. According to their twisted thinking, they picture God as being like themselves, speaking one way but living another. They have produced a god who is worshipped and served in what might be called "cafeteria-style" religion. He has become a god who fits the contours of themselves. But, such a god is no larger than the one who perceives Him, and will never transcend the individual's concept of him. Thus, He has become a "trivial god!" Trivial means: "commonplace, ordinary; of little worth or importance; insignificant." To "trivialize" something is to treat it as if it didn't matter. Is it not true that multitudes of people treat God and His word as if they do not matter and are of little worth? What a degraded view of God. Think on these things.

## **Dennis Abernathy-White Oak Church of Christ**

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## **Police Activity Report**

| CALL DAT | E CALL DESC          | CFS#      | CALL TIME | BUSINESS NAME                      | ADDRESS                                 |
|----------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------------------------|---|
|          |                      |           |           | BUSINESS NAME                      |   |
| 4/29/22  | SUSPICIOUS PERSON    | 20222033  | 0:25      |                                    | 1211 RODEO RODEO ST                     |
|          | DISTURBANCE-OTHER    | 20222035  | 4:56      |                                    | 1505 N ALICE ALICE                      |
|          | ANIMAL CONTROL       | 20222037  | 5:28      |                                    | S HWY 271 HWY 271                       |
|          | EMS                  | 20222038  | 7:36      |                                    | 515 W GAY GAY AVE                       |
|          | FOUND/LOST/RECOVERED | 20222039  | 8:35      |                                    | 2201 W GAY GAY AVE                      |
|          | DISTURBANCE-OTHER    | 20222040  |           | GENUINE AUTO CARE                  | 905 E PACIFIC PACIFIC AVE               |
|          | HARASSMENT           | 20222041  | 10:41     |                                    | 1520 E SHEPPARD SHEPPARD DR             |
|          | INCIDENT - NO REPORT | 20222043  | 12:06     | AJ'S FAST STOP EXXON               | 1708 N MAIN MAIN ST                     |
|          | ANIMAL CONTROL       | 20222044  | 12:50     |                                    | 707 HOLLY HOLLY ST                      |
|          | EMS                  | 20222045  | 13:40     |                                    | 176 PR 3464 PR 3464                     |
|          | ALARM/HUMAN ERROR    | 20222046  | 14:57     |                                    | 2015 W LAKE W LAKE                      |
|          | EMS                  | 20222047  | 15:18     |                                    | 231 HAYNES HAYNES AVE                   |
|          | RECKLESS DRIVING     | 20222048  | 15:47     |                                    | S MAIN S MAIN                           |
|          | EMS                  | 20222049  | 15:51     | BROOKSHIRE GROCERY                 | 1300 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE            |
|          | DISTURBANCE-OTHER    | 20222050  | 16:35     |                                    | 711 CANFIELD CANFIELD                   |
|          | ANIMAL CONTROL       | 20222051  | 17:20     |                                    | 1520 E E SHEPPARD E SHEPPARD DR         |
|          | ASSIST               | 20222052  | 17:37     |                                    | 154 PR 3464 PR 3464                     |
|          | 10-50 MINOR          | 20222053  | 17:51     | GLADEWATER MUNICIPAL AIRPORT       | 1302 S HWY 271 HWY 271                  |
|          | EMS                  | 20222054  | 18:42     |                                    | 208 HULL HULL                           |
|          | EMS                  | 20222056  | 19:09     |                                    | 2 MCKAIG MCKAIG CIR                     |
|          | ABANDONED 911        | 20222058  | 20:47     |                                    | 37 JULIA WOOD JULIA WOOD ST             |
|          | SUSPICIOUS PERSON    | 20222059  |           | LAKE GLADEWATER STORE              | LAKE SHORE LAKE SHORE DR                |
| /30/22   | ABANDONED 911        | 20222069  | 0:47      | SAE SENDENALER STORE               | 2108 W PECAN PECAN                      |
| JUIZZ    |                      | 20222061  | 0:47      | LAKE CLADEWATER                    |   |
|          | SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE   |           |           | LAKE GLADEWATER                    | 1602 LAKESHORE LAKESHORE DR             |
|          | FIRE DEPT            | 20222065  | 2:48      |                                    | 156 PR 1299 PR 1299                     |
|          | ASSIST               | 20222067  |           | SENTINEL GARDENS                   | 300 MONEY MONEY ST                      |
|          | HARASSMENT           | 20222069  | 8:41      |                                    |   |
|          | MISCELLANEOUS        | 20222070  |           | WILSON ROYALTY FUNERAL SERVICES    | 505 W UPSHUR UPSHUR                     |
|          | SUSPICIOUS PERSON    | 20222071  | 9:51      |                                    | 601 N MAIN N MAIN                       |
|          | ALARM/HUMAN ERROR    | 20222073  | 11:35     | GLADEWATER HIGH SCHOOL             | 2201 W GAY GAY AVE                      |
|          | RECKLESS DRIVING     | 20222075  | 14:03     |                                    | N MAIN N MAIN                           |
|          | SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE   | 20222076  | 14:41     | ROSEDALE CEMETERY                  | E ARMSTRONG ARMSTRONG RD                |
|          | ABANDONED 911        | 20222077  | 15:10     |                                    | 2402 WOODBINE WOODBINE ST               |
|          | ANIMAL CONTROL       | 20222078  | 15:20     | LAKE GLADEWATER                    | 1602 LAKESHORE LAKESHORE DR             |
|          | THEFT                | 20222079  | 15:35     |                                    | 820 E COMMERCE COMMERCE AVE             |
|          | INCIDENT - NO REPORT | 20222080  | 16:17     | X-TORC ENERGY SERVICES             | 812 E COMMERCE COMMERCE AVE             |
|          | 10-50 MINOR          | 20222081  | 16:32     |                                    | S MAIN S MAIN                           |
|          | INCIDENT - NO REPORT | 20222082  | 17:18     | X-TORC ENERGY SERVICES             | 812 E COMMERCE COMMERCE AVE             |
|          | 10-50 MINOR          | 20222083  | 18:05     | GOODWILL INDUSTRIES                | 1640 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE            |
|          | MISCELLANEOUS        | 20222084  | 19:39     |                                    | MELBA MELBA ST                          |
|          | MISCELLANEOUS        | 20222085  | 19:45     |                                    | N DAISEY DAISEY                         |
|          | MISCELLANEOUS        | 20222086  |           | GENUINE AUTO CARE                  | 905 E PACIFIC PACIFIC AVE               |
|          | DISTURBANCE-OTHER    | 20222087  | 20:17     | GENOINE ACTO GAILE                 | 2324 GAY GAY                            |
| /1/22    | CRIM MIS             | 20222087  | 1:54      |                                    | 22 GREENWAY VILLAGE GREENWAY VILLAGE ST |
|          | ASSIST               | 20222099  | 9:09      |                                    | NELWYN NELWYN AVE                       |
|          | ABANDONED 911        | 20222090  | 9:09      | ALL STATE COATINGS                 | 100 N LEE LEE ST                        |
|          |                      |           | 9:13      | ALLSTATE COATINGS                  |   |
|          | ABANDONED 911        | 20222092  |           | <del> </del>                       | 708 W CLAIR CLAIR                       |
|          | EMS                  | 20222093  | 10:53     |                                    | 307 W SHEPHERD SHEPHERD LN              |
|          | INCIDENT - NO REPORT | 20222094  | 12:35     |                                    | HWY 80 HWY 80 E                         |
|          | ASSIST               | 20222095  | 13:03     |                                    | 811 GOLF CREST GOLF CREST               |
|          | ANIMAL CONTROL       | 20222096  | 14:41     |                                    | 501 N LIVE OAK LIVE OAK ST              |
|          | MISCELLANEOUS        | 20222097  | 15:15     | GENUINE AUTO CARE                  | 905 E PACIFIC PACIFIC AVE               |
|          | DISTURBANCE-OTHER    | 20222098  | 15:30     |                                    | 316 MELBA MELBA AVE                     |
|          | MISCELLANEOUS        | 20222099  | 15:32     |                                    |   |
|          | 10-50 MINOR          | 20222100  | 18:46     | CHAD'S HOTWINGS, FISH, AND BURGERS | 809 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE             |
|          | INCIDENT - NO REPORT | 20222101  | 19:43     |                                    | 405 SPENCER SPENCER ST                  |
|          | ASSIST               | 20222102  | 21:10     |                                    | 1011 SHERWOOD SHERWOOD ST               |
|          | MISCELLANEOUS        | 20222104  | 23:26     |                                    | 803 E ALLISON ALLISON ST                |
| 5/2/22   | DISTURBANCE-OTHER    | 20222105  | 0:32      |                                    | 710 TENERY TENERY                       |
|          | DISTURBANCE-OTHER    | 20222106  | 8:37      | GENUINE AUTO CARE                  | 905 E PACIFIC PACIFIC AVE               |
|          | ASSIST               | 20222107  | 12:08     | BROOKSHIRE GROCERY                 | 1300 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE            |
|          | EMS                  | 20222107  | 12:08     | E. I. S. III C. G. GOLINI          | 408 W PACIFIC W PACIFIC                 |
|          | EMS                  | 20222108  | 15:01     | SENTINEL GARDENS                   | 300 MONEY MONEY ST                      |
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## **Police Arrest Report**

| ARREST DATE | ARREST DATE | TIME  | FULL NAME              | RACE | SEX | OFFENSE  | LOCATION ADDRESS1 |
|-------------|-------------|-------|------------------------|------|-----|--|-------------------|
| 4/30/22     | 4/30/22     | 10:01 | DAVIS, JEREMY ANDREW   | В    | М   | POSSESSION OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ANALOGUE          | 600 N MAIN ST     |
|             |             |       |                        |      |     |  |                   |
| 5/3/22      | 5/3/22      | 0:31  | HAMPTON, JEFFERY CRAIG | W    | М   | FAILURE TO IDENTIFY - FUGITIVE INTENT GIVE FALSE INF | 800 E BROADWAY    |
|             |             |       |                        |      |     |  |                   |
| 5/5/22      | 5/5/22      | 13:34 | LANTZ, KEVIN DEWAYNE   | W    | М   | WARRANT (LOCAL)                                      | 707 N HOLLY ST    |
|             | 5/5/22      | 13:34 | LANTZ, KEVIN DEWAYNE   | W    | М   | WARRANT (LOCAL)                                      | 707 N HOLLY ST    |
|             | 5/5/22      | 13:34 | LANTZ, KEVIN DEWAYNE   | W    | М   | WARRANT (LOCAL)                                      | 707 N HOLLY ST    |
|             | 5/5/22      | 13:34 | LANTZ, KEVIN DEWAYNE   | W    | М   | WARRANT (LOCAL)                                      | 707 N HOLLY ST    |
|             | 5/5/22      | 13:34 | LANTZ, KEVIN DEWAYNE   | W    | М   | WARRANT (LOCAL)                                      | 707 N HOLLY ST    |
|             | 5/5/22      | 20:25 | SLATER, JENNY LACRESHA | W    | F   | ROBBERY  | 214 GLADE E       |
|             |             |       |                        |      |     |  |                   |

## **Police Activity Report**

|          | ASSIST                | 20222112 | 19:37 |                                | W MESQUITE RD MESQUITE RD AVE       |
|----------|-----------------------|----------|-------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|          | MISCELLANEOUS         | 20222113 | 19:39 |                                | 316 N COTTON COTTON ST              |
| 5/3/22   | INCIDENT W/REPORT     | 20222116 | 0:05  |                                | 800 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE.        |
|          | SIMPLE ASSAULT "C"    | 20222117 | 1:36  |                                | 705 CANFIELD CANFIELD               |
|          | FIRE DEPT             | 20222118 | 5:35  |                                | 260 CEDAR BEND CEDAR BEND RD        |
|          | BURGLARY/HABITATION   | 20222119 | 8:46  |                                | 602 W PACIFIC W PACIFIC             |
|          | INCIDENT - NO REPORT  | 20222120 | 10:12 | REGENCY INN & SUITE            | 1009 E BROADWAY BROADWAY            |
|          | ASSIST                | 20222121 | 10:34 |                                | S TYLER S TYLER                     |
|          | ESCORT                | 20222122 | 11:10 |                                | W UPSHUR W UPSHUR                   |
|          | CRIM MIS              | 20222123 | 11:20 |                                | 205 W WALTON WALTON ST              |
|          | FIRE DEPT             | 20222124 | 11:26 |                                | 1520 E E SHEPPARD E SHEPPARD DR     |
|          | ASSIST                | 20222125 | 13:11 | HUGMAN-KENT CLINIC             | 307 W UPSHUR UPSHUR AVE             |
|          | ALARM/OTHER           | 20222126 | 17:01 | GLADEWATER ISD BUS BARN        | 721 VIRGINIA VIRGINIA ST            |
|          | DISTURBANCE-OTHER     | 20222127 |       | FAMILY DOLLAR                  | 601 W UPSHUR UPSHUR                 |
|          | EMS                   | 20222128 | 18:11 |                                | 2379 GEORGE RICHEY GEORGE RICHEY RD |
|          | INCIDENT - NO REPORT  | 20222129 | 19:23 |                                | 2516 W GAY GAY AVE                  |
|          | EMS                   | 20222130 | 19:26 |                                | 520 W GAY GAY AVE                   |
|          | SUSPICIOUS NOISE      | 20222131 | 19:54 |                                | W MARSHALL MARSHALL AVE             |
|          | SUSPICIOUS PERSON     | 20222132 | 20:43 | GLADEWATER POLICE DEPARTMENT   | 511 S TYLER TYLER RD                |
|          | SUSPICIOUS PERSON     | 20222133 | 23:50 |                                | 704 HOLLY HOLLY ST                  |
| 5/4/22   | SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE    | 20222134 | 0:03  |                                | E PACIFIC PACIFIC AVE               |
|          | SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE    | 20222135 | 0:13  |                                | TENERY TENERY                       |
|          | MISCELLANEOUS         | 20222136 | 3:21  |                                | 1028 CHEVY CHASE CHEVY CHASE        |
|          | EMS                   | 20222137 | 9:27  |                                | 308 AMES AMES ST                    |
|          | BURGLARY/HABITATION   | 20222138 | 10:02 |                                | 943 SANDERS SANDERS ST              |
|          | FIRE DEPT             | 20222139 | 10:33 |                                | 1081 VESTA VESTA AVE                |
|          | ASSIST                | 20222133 | 10:51 |                                | 199 SAUNDERS SAUNDERS ST            |
|          | INCIDENT - NO REPORT  | 20222140 | 14:38 |                                | GAY GAY                             |
|          | ANIMAL CONTROL        | 20222141 |       | ROSEDALE CEMETERY              | E ARMSTRONG ARMSTRONG RD            |
|          | DISTURBANCE-OTHER     | 20222144 | 16:25 | NOOLD/ LE OLINE / EI (         | 2802 W UPSHUR UPSHUR                |
|          | EMS                   | 20222145 | 16:30 |                                | 11814 UNION GROVE RD UNION GROVE RD |
|          | ABANDONED 911         | 20222146 | 16:55 |                                | 214 EDDY EDDY ST                    |
|          | RECKLESS DRIVING      | 20222147 | 17:17 |                                | S HWY 271 HWY 271                   |
|          | SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE    | 20222148 | 17:32 |                                | 1709 EAST LAKE EAST LAKE DR         |
|          | MISCELLANEOUS         | 20222149 | 17:53 |                                | 902 N CULVER CULVER ST              |
|          | 10-50 MINOR           | 20222150 |       | ACE HARDWARE                   | 1620 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE        |
|          | BURGLARY/BUILDING     | 20222152 |       | GLADEWATER HIGH SCHOOL         | 2201 W GAY GAY AVE                  |
|          | EMS                   | 20222154 |       | TRUMAN SMITH CHILDREN'S CENTER | 2200 W UPSHUR UPSHUR                |
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|          | DISTURBANCE-RESIDENCE | 20222156 | 8:12  |                                | 505 W GAY W GAY                     |
|          | EMS                   | 20222157 |       | LEGEND OAKS NURSING HOME       | 1201 FM 2685 FM 2685                |
|          | EMS                   | 20222158 |       | GLADEWATER POLICE DEPARTMENT   | 511 S TYLER TYLER RD                |
|          | BURGLARY/VEHICLE      | 20222159 | 11:43 |                                | 220 DEAN DEAN                       |
|          | SUSPICIOUS PERSON     | 20222160 | 13:11 |                                | 715 HOLLEY HOLLEY                   |
|          | MISCELLANEOUS         | 20222161 | 15:54 |                                | N LOOP 485 N LOOP 485               |
|          | ALARM/HUMAN ERROR     | 20222162 | 17:44 |                                | 2128 W LAKE W LAKE                  |
|          | ALARM/HUMAN ERROR     | 20222162 | 19:31 |                                | 2106 E BROADWAY AVE E BROADWAY AVE  |
|          | WARRANT               | 20222167 | 20:20 |                                | 214 E LAKE DR E LAKE DR             |
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### Class of 1977 hosting 45th Reunion

The GHS Class of 1977 is hosting its 45th reunion on July 16th from 6 - 10 p.m. at the Red Rock Historical Association Building located at 2629 Rodeo St. in Gladewater. This reunion is reaching out to ALL classmates of this group, whether you actually graduated from GHS or not. Maybe you only went through middle school with us, "Come on down!"

The event will include visiting, a buffet style dinner, 70's music and dancing. The meal will consist of a variety of soul food dishes catered by "Aunt Sandra's Boudian & More" in Gladewater. Dress is casual. The charge is \$10 a person and you can bring a date if you would like. Please send check to Dr. Margo Bell at P.O. Box 562, Gladewater, TX 75647.

## 'Night And Day' returning to Cozy Jackson's Theater in Gladewater will host a tribute show

called "Night and Day" featuring Rat Pack and the Big Band Era. Audiences will hear the songs that made music history including some crooning along with Frank Sinatra's and Dean Martin's most popular hits.

Opening Night begins Friday, June 10th with repeat performances on 11th, 17th, and 18th at 7 p.m. and Sunday, June 19th at 2 p.m.. The theatre is located at 108 E. Commerce Ave., Gladewater.

"This will be a tribute to all songs of the Big Band Era. There will be some campy, some comedy and wholesome music arranged by David Morris and myself," said Jackson

"We want to be a little different, bring a good show and a good laugh."

Peter Gerbine III from Gladewater, Gary Eoff, from Dallas and Jack Folytn with accompanied by a 5 piece band.

Tickets for "Night and Day, A Tribute to the Rat Pack and Big Band Era" at https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/night-andday-397729. Discount tickets are \$35.00 through Eventbrite for Friday and Saturday performances and \$25.00 for Sunday Matinee, if you order early.

For more information contact 430-702-0020 or 936-661-7658

### Class of 1972 hosting 'All School Reunion'

The Gladewater Class of 1972 is hosting this year's "All School Reunion" on September 24. Classmates of 1972 and all those who attended GHS. Forever Friends are invited to attend the event.

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### Storytime set in Gilmer

Two books by Ame Dyckman will be read to small children at each of the Upshur County Library's two weekly "Storytime" sessions in Gilmer Thursday, June 9.

"Misunderstood Shark" and "Misunderstood Shark: Friends Don't Eat Friends" will be presented at the 10 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. gatherings, said the library's children's coordinator, Kari Dunn.

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## 19 indictmented issued by Upshur grand jury

### **By Phillip Williams**

The Upshur County Grand Jury returned 19 indictments, five of them sealed, and passed one case in Gilmer May 26, District Attorney Billy Byrd announced last week.

Details of the open indictments were as follows, Byrd's office reported:

Lajerrius E. Jackson, 34, of Gilmer, robbery last Sept. 14. Although bond was set as \$500,000, he was released to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Nov. 19 because his parole was revoked on another charge in another county.

Dustin Chance Cantrell, 28, of Gilmer, deadly conduct last July 31, \$25,000 bond

Bryan Julius Adams, 30, of Palestine, unlawful possession of firearm by felon on Sept. 28, 2020, \$20,000

Krystal Michelle Scarbrough, 34, of Sun Tan Valley, Ariz., theft of firearm on March 24. She remained in county jail at Gilmer under \$5,000 bond.

Johnson Thanh Nguyen, 24, of Tyler, tampering with physical evidence last Oct. 19. Although bond was set at \$25,000, he was returned to county jail March 14 on a re-

lease of surety when a bail bond company went off his bail. Tina Joy Langford, 40, of Gilmer, possession of controlled substance (methamphetamine) on May 1, 2021. She remained in county jail under \$25,000 bond.

Randy Ray Price, 34, of Winnsboro, was separately indicted on two counts of theft of property of the value of \$2,500 or more but less than \$30,000--one on June 27, 2020, the other on Oct. 19, 2020.

Bond was set at \$1,500 on the older charge, \$3,500 on the newer.

Tonya Annette Price, 46, of Winnsboro, was also separately indicted on two counts of the same charge, alleged to have occurred the same dates. Her bonds were also identical to Randy Price's.

Lagenna Evette Linson, 47, of Gilmer, aggravated assault

with deadly weapon on April 13, \$15,000

Brandon Ross Sterling, 36, of Longview, aggravated assault with deadly weapon on April 5, \$150,000

Dalton Wayne Freeman, 27, of Gilmer, assault/family violence--occlusion on Jan. 9, \$25,000

Linus Duane Romero Jr., 43, of Diana, assault/family violence with previous conviction on Jan. 17, 2021, \$50,000 Identity of anone charged in the sealed indictments was not disclosed because no arrest has been made in those cases, said Byrd. They included one each for theft of property of the value of \$2,500 or more but less than \$30,000, failure to register as sex offender, possession of controlled substance with intent to deliver (methamphetamine), delivery of controlled substance (methamphetamine) and aggravated assault with deadly weapon.

Nature of the passed case was not announced.

## Man gets federal prison term in Upshur County oil well case

### **By Phillip Williams**

A federal judge in Plano sentenced a Melissa man to 33 months in prison Friday, two years after the defendant pleaded guilty to wire fraud in connection with a scheme involving an Upshur County oil well.

Matthew Wayne Fox, 47, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Sean D. Jordan and ordered to pay \$862,150 restitution, said Davilyn Walston, public information officer for the U.S. attorney's office in Beaumont.

In a news release, Walston said "According to information presented in court, beginning in 2015, Fox formed Wayne Energy, a company that was to specialize in the oil and gas exploration fields." He was previously chief executive officer of Frisco Exploration, which went out of business.

From March 2015 to October 2016, said Walston, the defendant raised approximately \$949,650 from investors to form a joint venture to convert the Upshur oil well to a natural gas well. He "solicited the funds through various literature

and emails sent to potential investors," but the emails "contained several misrepresentations about the joint venture, such as ownership of the well," cost of converting it, "the production of a similar well, and actual work done on site.

"Further misrepresentations included that Wayne Energy was a licensed operator with the state of Texas Railroad Commission. Following the initial investment, Fox continued to send emails with misrepresentations about work done on the site in order to solicit more money," Walston added.

The Securities and Exchange Commission launched an investigation after receiving complaints. The probe "showed the majority of the money raised by investors was used for the Fox family personal use."

The commission obtained a judgment against the defendant in 2018 for his conduct soliciting investors and referred the case to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which performed a criminal probe that resulted in Fox's indictment,

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## Controlling these feral invaders provides a perfect introduction to hunting



### **By Steve Hall**

These determined invaders are so destructive, so prolific, they are one of only two species in Texas that can be hunted without a license on private property. And still, they continue to create nuisances throughout the state, damaging crops, threatening native habitats and feeding on small animals such as quail or even young lambs.

Hunters must work yearround to keep their numbers in check, making hog hunting a great way to introduce (or reintroduce) someone you know to hunting.

March is the best time to hunt hogs, in that lull between the general/late hunting seasons and spring turkey season. You won't find yourself competing with deer and bird hunters for the perfect spot, ensuring plenty of access to these unprotected, nongame animals.

With landowner authorization, hunters can hunt and kill hogs without a license. (Hunter education requirements still apply.)

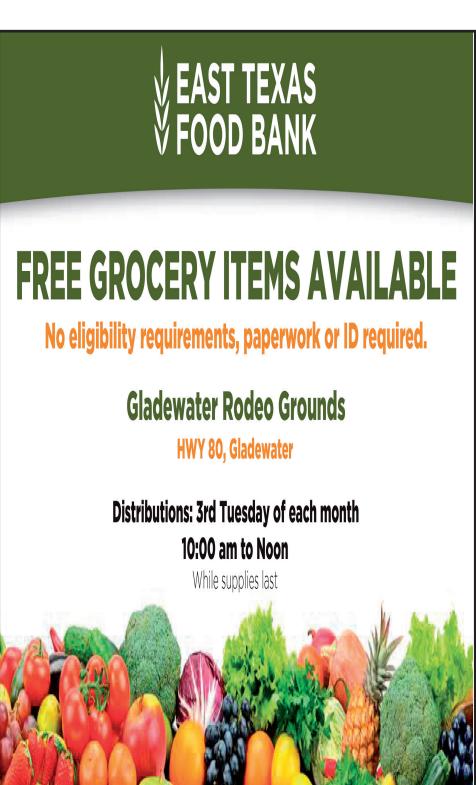
Hogs are mostly nocturnal

and typically hide out in thicker habitats. For these reasons, some of the more popular hunting methods include hunting at night and over baited stations (feeders, animal trails and ranch roads).

Corn's an easy bait to entice these elusive sounders out of their hiding grounds. Like domestic pigs, wild hog meat is good to eat, but much leaner. Most people prefer younger hogs and sows to boars, especially older ones, which can produce tougher, gamier meat.

Many private landowners, especially if they know it is your first hunt, will open their lands to such opportunities. It's a "win-win-win" situation — they're ridded of a nuisance, you've got a hunting opportunity, and the native resources lose a threat.

Ask your friends and family if they know of a property owner with hog problems. Seek out public hunt opportunities and private mentor/youth hunts and learn more about the wily critter that makes Texas a legendary hog hunting state.



## Upshur judge wants salary hikes

### **By Phillip Williams**

Upshur County Judge Todd Tefteller asked the county commissioners court last week to raise most elected officials' annual salaries by \$5,000 and most employees' pay by \$1,200, but predicted "we'll probably wind up lowering the tax rate a tad."

Tefteller recommended the raises at an hours-long June 1 special session at which the court heard county department heads' requests for the forthcoming 2022-23 county budget. The budget, which the court has not yet approved, begins Oct. 1.

While saying he proposed the hikes due to "inflation, primarily," Tefteller complained those on the Upshur payroll are "not getting paid anything close to what the state average is" in counties of comparable size. Precinct 3 Commissioner Michael Ashley said at least 12 counties pay more than that average.

Tefteller told commissioners "I really don't want to take no for an answer" to his proposed raises, which County Auditor Connie Williams projects would cost \$492,595.36 in the coming fiscal year.

In fact, the judge said he'd propose more than the \$5,000 increase if he thought the court, which he presides over, would approve it. He said that amount wasn't "even a leaf on a piece of celery."

Tefteller said County Clerk Terri Ross receives the lowest salary (nearly \$46,000) for her position in counties of 25,000 to 50,000 population, and that Sheriff Larry Webb's nearly \$54,800 salary makes him the second-lowest paid sheriff in that group.

"I don't like this," Tefteller said. "We're not a secondclass county, and that's why I feel strongly" about increasing elected officials' pay.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Jay W. Miller said he favored hiking the non-elected workers' salaries more than the proposed \$1,200, but Tefteller replied "I don't see that in the cards."

In the meantime, the judge speculated that commissioners would likely reduce the current tax rate of 61.5 cents per \$100 valuation to 61 cents.

Increasing tax revenues by more than 3.5% would require voter approval--an election Tefteller's proposals are designed to avoid. Lowering the tax rate, however, would not necessarily reduce a citizen's property tax bill since the amount of taxes paid is determined not only by the rate, but by the property valuation, which is determined by the Upshur County Appraisal District.

Williams said the only way to give pay raises is receiving more revenue. Since the court can't raise tax revenues more than 3.5% (without triggering an election), the auditor said "We are trying to do good by the citizens and the employees. We are way behind the salaries on employees."

Ashley then said Upshur's amount of revenue is about half that of comparable size counties.

Among officials appearing before the court, County Road Administrator Andy Jordan sought a \$3 million increase in his budget for road work. Responded Tefteller, "We want to put every dollar we can into roads," condition of which brought numerous complaints by citizens at court meetings several months ago.

Webb, meanwhile, asked for hikes of about \$77,000 in the budget for his office, and \$118,000 in the separate budget for the county jail, saying the "major items" involved in those proposed increases were "prescriptions (for inmates), fuel and (inmate) food."





