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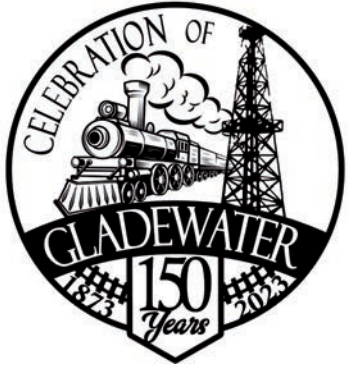
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Gladewater begins year-long Sesquicentennial Celebration

In celebration of its 150th anniversary, the City of Gladewater will kick off its sesquicentennial celebration in January of 2023 with a series of monthly events that will run through December 2023.

The celebration will commence with Night at the Museum on Saturday, January 21st, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., at The Gladewater Museum, located at 116 W. Pacific Ave. This event will feature unique displays, including Caddo artifacts, railroad memorabilia, and the TEXANA Book Collection, and special guest speakers who will discuss the rich history of Gladewater and Northeast Texas.

"We wanted to do something special to honor Gladewater's 150th anniversary," said Kevin Clark, President of the Gladewater 150th Committee. "We wanted the entire community to get involved in this year-long celebration and have included events for everyone in the family."

Each month will feature a special event, including community favorites such as the Gladewater Round-Up Rodeo, Gusher Days, Holiday in Gusherville, Arts 'n Crafts festival, Christmas parade, and Independence Day fireworks.

In addition to these annual favorites, the city will host other fun, family-friendly events throughout the year, including Black History Month, Youth Rally/Youth Challenge, Celebration of the Arts, fly-in with EEA event, Juneteenth, Gladewater Homecoming, and other activities focused on education, history, and culture.

In the summer of 1873, the Texas Pacific Railroad began the push westward from Longview.

To meet the water needs of the trains, a stop was planned in the vicinity of the Sabine River and the Point Pleasant Community. The new community, which was named Gladewater, was created from lands purchased from Jarred Dean and Anderson White (North and South respectively), with city parcels divided among the three for sale. 2023 marks Gladewater's 150th year and our 150th year in a partnership with Texas Pacific – now Union Pacific Railroad.

To learn more about the sesquicentennial celebration and to get involved, visit Gladewater150.com.

Indictments handed down by Upshur County grand jury

By Phillip Williams

The Upshur County Grand Jury on Dec. 15 returned nine indictments, six of them sealed, and no-billed one case, said District Attorney Billy Byrd.

Defendants, charges and bond information in the open indictments returned in Gilmer were as follows, Byrd's office said:

David Christopher Gamble, 36, of Longview, unlawful possession of firearm by felon on March 27. He posted \$10,000 bond.

Richard Kaleb Womack, 36, of Crandall, possession of controlled substance with intent to deliver (methamphetamine) on Nov. 4, 2021. He posted \$30,000 bond.

John Luke Tawater-Rushing, a Princeton, La., resident who turned 34 Dec. 23, possession of controlled substance (methamphetamine) on Sept. 29, 2021. He posted \$10,000 bond.

Name of anyone named in the sealed indictments wasn't released since no arrest had been made in those cases, Byrd said.

They included four for possession of controlled substance (methamphetamine) and one each for cruelty to non-livestock animals and unlawful possession of firearm by felon, his office said.



Gladewater City Judge and Gregg County Pct 2 Justice of Peace Tim Bryan was one of several Gregg County officials who took the oath of office when 2023 rolled around. Also sworn included: Gregg County Judge Bill Stoudt; Judge Angie Jones Konczak County Court @ Law #1; Judge Tim Womack Family Court Judge; County Court @ Law #2 Judge Vincent Karen Dulweber; Gregg County District Attorney John Moore; Gregg County Clerk Michelle Gilley; Gregg County Tax Assessor Michelle Crockett Terry; Gregg County Justice Of The Peace Precinct 3 Judge Bruce Dalme; Judge Scott Stevens - Chief Justice 6th Court of Appeals; 188th District Judge Scott Novy; Judge Charles Van Cleef - Justice 6th Court of Appeals; Gregg County Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Judge BH Jameson; Gregg County Commissioner Precinct 2 Ray Bostick; Gregg County District Clerk Trey Hattaway; Gregg County Constable Precinct 2 Roger Askew; Gregg County Justice of the Peace Precinct 4 Judge Robby Cox; Gregg County Constable Precinct 4 Daryl Gregg; Gregg County Commissioner Precinct 4 Danny Craig Sr.; Judge Jeff Rambin - Justice 6th Court of Appeals; and Judge Brian Hoyle - Justice 12th Court of Appeals.

In Upshur County, 10 current Upshur County elected officials were sworn into office for new four-year terms Monday at the county courthouse in Gilmer. All were re-elected in 2022 except District Clerk Nicole Hernandez, who was appointed to her job Sept. 1 by a state district judge who suspended her predecessor, Karen Bunn, from office for the duration of Bunn's term. Sworn in at Monday's ceremony, were County Judge Todd Tefteller, Precinct 4 County Commissioner Jay W. Miller, Precinct 2 County Commissioner Dustin Nicholson, County Clerk Terri Ross, County Treasurer Brandy Vick, Pct. 1 Justice of the Peace Wyone Manes, Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Lyle Potter, Precinct 3 Justice of the Peace Rhonda Welch and Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace Anthony Betterton. District Attorney Billy Byrd took the oath of office from 115th District Judge Dean Fowler on New Year's Day.

422 Predictions for 2023

Read 422 predictions for 2023, a year that will see the world transform in big and small ways; this includes disruptions throughout our culture, technology, science, health and business sectors. It's your future, discover what you're in for.

Quantumrun Foresight, a futurist consulting firm that uses strategic foresight to help companies thrive from future trends, prepared this list.

- Countries agree on an international treaty mandating the largest companies, including big tech, to pay more corporate tax abroad and a smaller share in their home countries.

- 65% of the global population will have its personal data protected by privacy regulations.

- Members of the United Nations-backed Race to Zero campaign is required to restrict the development, financing, and facilitation of new fossil fuel assets, including banning future coal projects.

- The European Union implements the European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRSs) for large public-interest companies with more than 500 employees.

- The European Space Agency launches the Hera Mission, a binary asteroid system designed to detect threatening asteroids weeks before they get near Earth.

- The OSIRIS-REx mission, which launched in 2016 to visit the asteroid Bennu, returns a 2.1 ounce sample of the rocky body back to Earth.

- The combined market for PCs and tablets declines 2.6 percent before returning to growth in 2024.

- NASA and Axiom Space launch the second pri-

vate astronaut mission to the International Space Station aboard SpaceX rockets.

- The Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency launches the world's first wooden satellite.

- The COVID-19 pandemic ends.

- General Motors sells 20 all-electric car models, combining battery-electric and fuel-cell-electric vehicles.

- Global gas markets remain tight as Russian pipeline gas exports decrease, keeping energy prices high, in spite of gas demand falling in Europe due to aggressive energy-saving measures.

- Global polysilicon capacities nearly double by end of this year to 536 GW compared to 295 GW in 2022.

- UN finally delivers climate plan to reduce emissions caused by global shipping industry.

- The first government to replace its census with big-data technologies

- 10% of reading glasses will be connected to the internet.

- 80% of people on earth will have a digital presence online.

- 90% of the global population will have a supercomputer in their pocket.

- Acoustic earthquake shield developed to protect cities from earthquakes begin seeing initial use

- Modifying genes to renew all body issues to youthful versions becomes possible

- Cost of solar panels, per watt, equals 1 US dollars

- World population forecasted to reach 7,991,396,000

- World sales of electric vehicles reaches 8,546,667

- Predicted global mobile web traffic equals 66 exabytes

- Global Internet traffic grows to 302 exabytes

Upshur Co. appoints ESD board members

By Phillip Williams

At its last meeting of 2022, Upshur County Commissioners Court on Friday appointed members to the respective boards of the county's two emergency services districts.

The court met in closed session about an hour before naming the board of ESD No. 1 in open session. Earlier in the meeting at Gilmer, the court named the ESD No. 2 board without discussing that behind closed doors.

The court appointed all five members of each board.

County Judge Todd Tefteller suggested the court meet in closed session on appointing the No. 1 district overseers because "we've got way more contenders (who volunteered to serve) than we've got slots." He read a list of about a dozen names.

Appointed to the No. 1 board were four incumbents and a newcomer, Kenny Southwell.

Named to 2-year terms were Southwell, Mike Kuza, and Bobby Jenkins. Re-appointed for 1-year terms were Cloddie Henson and Scott Mischnick.

All five current members of the No. 2 board were re-appointed. They and the lengths of their terms include Gaston (Bubba) DeBerry, Kenny Hankins, and Tony Whitaker, two years; and Trevor Lar- rington and Gregg Price, one year.

Tefteller expressed regret that Marc Nichols, who is the county's emergency management coordina- tor, resigned from the No. 1 board.

The judge, who once served on the Gilmer school board with Nich- ols' replacement, Southwell, also praised him, though, and suggested the ESD board name Southwell as its chairman due to his background in firefighting.

Before either board was ap- pointed, DeBerry, who will remain chairman of his board, told the court "there has been a lot of talk" that the two ESD boards' mem- bership was "really firemen-heavy."

He suggested appointing some- one other than firefighters because the boards' job is "really business at the end of the day." The boards allocate funds to the county's rural fire departments.

Tefteller said "it's an ongoing de- bate" whether to load a board with either five fire chiefs, or persons who know nothing about fires, or a "blend" of the two such groups.



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OPINION/COMMENTARY

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.

EDITOR'S NOTE: This was Suzanne's final column, published one day before her death in a car accident. As was her whole life, this column was upbeat and she shared a bright outlook on what would be in the coming year (2022). The year 2022 did not turn out bright for any of us after Jan. 7. We also lost my stepfather at the end of 2022. But while Suzanne is gone, her positive spirit lives on in her writings left behind for us to read and live by. God bless her.

Jim Bardwell

...laugh it up in 2022(3)

One of my New Year's resolutions is to laugh...a lot, with a twinkle in my eye. After the last couple of years I figure this is the best resolution of all.

In this first 2022 issue of the newspaper, let me see if I can leverage a grin from you dear readers, with a chuckle or two thrown in for good measure with my New Year's Resolutions and a teeny bit of help from the vast wasteland of the world-wide web:)

Hello 2022, I resolve to:

Live my best life and only buy pants with elastic waists. Sign up for a 5K as an act of confidence and not run as an act of self-preservation.

Tattoo "New Year, New Me (JK)" on my arm.

Manage to go the entire year without accidentally telling someone random on the phone "Love you" as the call ends. Although my dentist's receptionist did seem to appreciate it. When asked what political party I belong to proclaim loudly that I belong to the: Barefoot Country Girl's Party and proud of it! Followed by, "You got a problem with that buster?"

When someone makes fun of my accent I resolve to speak more slowly and add more syllables.

I will wield every spare wrapping paper tube I come across as a makeshift lightsaber.

At Halloween I will dress King the 85 lb. Wonder Dog as a Bantha and trick or treat despite the fact my 'child'



is a grown man and unavailable as cover for candy patrol. I will try to stop daring people to lick frozen flagpoles... and...stop googling symptoms on WebMD

I will perfect my charcuterie board skills...for obvious reasons.

When someone doubles down on political rants and raves I will sing off key "Time will tell" after every sentence they utter.

I will help all my friends gain 10 pounds so I look skinnier. I will tolerate fools more gladly, provided this does not encourage them to take up more of my time.

I will buy new clothes big enough to account for next year's holidays. Preparation is the key to success.

This new year I will consider taking up a new hobby such as procrastination.

The most common New Year's Resolution is to get in shape. I choose round.

I was going to quit all my bad habits for the new year, but then I remembered that nobody likes a quitter.

I don't call them New Year's resolutions. I prefer the term: casual promises to myself that I am under no legal obligation to fulfill.

My goal for 2022 is to accomplish the goals of 2021 which I should have done in 2020 because I promised them in 2019 and planned them in 2018. Everyone should have a 5-year plan.

One last thing pals, just remember every day in 2022 what my wise old pappy used to say:

"Honey, you have to laugh to keep from crying."

THE ECONOMIST

By Dr. M. Ray Perryman

A Look Back

This past year has been a wild ride – full of peaks and valleys, with good news, bad news, and not a lot of calm and predictable in between. Let's take a quick look back at 2022 and its implications for the economy and its future performance



One of the most promising developments of the year is that the numbers of serious COVID-19 cases finally dropped to levels sufficiently low for us to resume most normal activity. Back in January, the United States was in the midst of a surge with cases averaging about 800,000 per day, compared to fewer than 70,000 now. While there is always the risk of another wave of serious cases, 2022 saw notable improvement. As the economy has continued to reopen, we've seen the addition of nearly 400,000 jobs per month. Although not as rapid as 2021 during the early stages of recovery, it is nonetheless very strong growth which sets the stage for future expansion even in the face of near-term headwinds.

However, fallout from the pandemic and related disruptions linger. The phrase "supply chain" wasn't one most people thought much (if any) about before the pandemic, but now it's part of our everyday language. The intricate system of production and logistics took a major hit during the shutdowns, and snarls akin to global traffic jams rapidly developed. The result was factories without key parts, ships backed up at ports, shortages and empty shelves, and similar problems. The past year has seen products flowing more smoothly from manufacturers to customers. Disruptions to the supply chain cause inefficiencies and slow potential growth. Many companies are taking action to insulate themselves from potential future calamities.

We are finally seeing signs of inflation beginning to ease, although it's taken unprecedented interest rate hikes to get there. A variety of factors contributed to price escalation at historic rates. Trillions in stimulus money and the aforementioned supply-chain-related shortages led to too much money chasing too few goods. Inflation has been hard on families, businesses, and public entities. The Federal Reserve has shown resolve in raising interest rates to slow the economy, with the magnitude of the adjustments beginning to diminish; the challenge will be doing so without causing a recession. I remain optimistic that a major downturn can be avoided.

On the international front, we've seen a war in Ukraine and increasing tensions in other areas as well as ongoing shutdowns in China. If any of these situations dramatically escalate, the economy will respond.

The US economy displayed remarkable resilience in 2022. Difficulties remain, but the progress of the past year has been substantial. Let's hope 2023 brings only a modest slowdown, followed by further improvements. Happy New Year!

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TRUSTING AND OBEYING GOD

It is strange that some folks believe that a person can trust God for salvation, but at the same time do not believe that one has to obey God to receive the salvation. But the Bible teaches that trust, faith and obedience are all connected with one's salvation.

Allow me to illustrate what I just said. Jericho was one of the strongly fortified cities the Israelites had to conquer to enter into the land of Canaan. Joshua chapter 6, tells us how they conquered that city. God told the Israelites to walk around the city once a day for six days, and to walk around it seven times on the seventh day. Then they were to blow trumpets and shout, and God said the walls would then fall down. Strange instructions for capturing a fortified city, wouldn't you say? But, that's what God said, and that's what they did, and guess what? The walls fell. Hebrews 11: 30 says: "By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they were encircled for seven days." Notice how the walls of Jericho fell down AFTER the Israelites did precisely what God told them to do. That's what faith does! They "walked by faith, not by sight" (2 Cor. 5: 7). But it wasn't by a disobedient faith! Faith understands that reality reaches beyond the "appearance" of human sight. Faith sees the unseen and acts accordingly (2 Cor. 4: 18). The Israelites BELIEVED, TRUSTED and OBEYED God!

It is the same today. God saves believers by faith, but it is a faith that leads people trust and do what God commands them to do to be saved. Today, that involves repenting of your sins, confessing your faith in Christ, and being baptized "for the remission of sins" (Acts 2: 38; Rom. 10: 9-10; Acts 8: 37). Therefore, just as the Israelites faith led them to trust and obey God in taking the city of Jericho, it is still true that the faith that saves is the faith that trusts and obeys. Jesus is "the author of eternal salvation to all who OBEY Him" (Heb. 5: 9). Think on these things.

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Feds investigating meltdown at Southwest Airlines

Massive flight cancellations by Southwest Airlines during the Christmas holiday week are prompting the federal government to look into why thousands of travelers were left stranded across the country, along with huge piles of luggage in airports served by the beleaguered airline.

Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg said his agency would examine what caused Southwest's widespread cancellations, which began as a massive polar storm gripped much of the country a few days before Christmas. The airline was able to resume normal operations on Friday as another holiday weekend approached.

The airline canceled more than 15,700 flights since Dec. 22, according to The Dallas Morning News. Cancellations by other airlines were a fraction of that amount, according to published reports.

"Because what we're seeing right now, from the system and the flights themselves to the inability to reach anybody on a customer service phone line, it is just completely unacceptable," Buttigieg told CBS early Wednesday. The Senate Commerce Committee also plans to investigate.

Southwest does not use the hub-and-spoke system relied upon by other major carriers, instead relying on a point-to-point system. That means even where planes were available, often crews and pilots were stranded in other cities.

RRC launches probe into Atmos service issues

The Texas Railroad Commission has launched an investigation of Atmos Energy's gas distribution system, which left some Texans without heat during freezing weather just before Christmas. The company reported low gas pressure in cities across North and Central Texas, leaving some customers without heat. On Dec. 23, the Texas Tribune reported, Atmos asked its 2 million Texas customers to conserve gas use by lowering thermostats, not using gas fireplaces and any gas-powered appliances.



Gov. Greg Abbott signed a letter ordering the railroad commission and the Texas attorney general's office to investigate Atmos Energy's "failure to prepare for the winter weather event last week."

Leading up to and during the winter event, State of Texas agencies worked around the clock to mobilize resources and assist utilities in any way possible. At no time did Atmos Energy request assistance... It is apparent that Atmos Energy acted irresponsibly and was unprepared for the event," the letter said in part.

Abbott pushes back on migrant bus criticism

Abbott has drawn criticism after a bus from Texas dropped off more than 100 migrants in freezing weather near Vice President Kamala Harris' official residence in Washington, D.C. An Austin American-Statesman report noted the state has bused nearly 16,000 migrants to so-called sanctuary cities. Abbott tweeted a breakdown of how many migrants have been bused to cities outside of Texas.

Thus far, 8,900 have been sent to Washington; 4,900 to New York City; more than 1,500 to Chicago; and more than 630 to Philadelphia. The governor has maintained in the past that the migrants have given permission to be bused North. The White House has called the move "a cruel, dangerous, and shameful stunt."

"We're providing relief to local communities overwhelmed by President Biden's open border policies," Abbott said.

The U.S. Supreme Court has so far stopped the Biden administration from eliminating Title 42, a federal rule enacted

during by the Trump administration during the COVID-19 pandemic to allow the U.S. to return asylum-seeking migrants to Mexico or their country of origin.

TPWD opposes listing prairie chicken as endangered

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department has reiterated its opposition to a decision by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to list the lesser prairie chicken as endangered in some areas and threatened in others, citing "tremendous" voluntary collaboration with private landowners and industry to conserve the chicken's habitat.

The federal designation will take place in January. It primarily affects Panhandle counties where the lesser prairie chicken is found.

"This decision jeopardizes decades of voluntary conservation efforts, increases regulatory burden and does not assure recovery of the species," David, Yoskowitz, TPWD executive director, said.

\$54M in career, technical education grants

The Texas Workforce Commission has announced 152 grants totaling more than \$54 million to various public community, state and technical colleges, as well as school district and charter schools across the state.

The grants will be used to buy equipment to establish or expand programs that offer Texas students the opportunity to earn licenses, certificates, or post-secondary degrees in fields such as nursing, welding, automotive repair and dentistry.

"It's important to identify high-demand jobs, but it's critical to proactively commit resources to ensure Texans are ready to meet those workforce needs," said TWC Chairman Bryan Daniel.

COVID-19 cases remain steady in state

The number of new COVID-19 cases in Texas during the past week remained steady at 30,033, with 102 new deaths reported by the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University. The number of lab-confirmed COVID-19 hospitalizations rose slightly to 2,581, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services.

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- 1 Happy New _____ 2023!
- 5 Guthrie performer at several TX Willie "Farm Aids"
- 6 Austin FM
- 7 ___ Jo, TX (abbr.)
- 8 Texans Bonnie & Clyde, e.g.
- 9 "Big D"
- 15 Sherilyn of 1992 film "Ruby" about infamous Texas nightclub owner
- 16 TXism: "I gave him a _____ own medicine"
- 19 TXism: "tame as _____"
- 21 "_____ minute!" (hold your horses)
- 22 Mexican female in Texas
- 27 apartment expense
- 28 "_____ your heart be troubled," (Biblical advice)
- 29 _____ Shoot, Texas
- 30 final month of the State Fair of Texas
- 32 "nickel" symbol
- 33 TX Candace was "_____ Beck Tyler Cortlandt _____ Tyler" on "All My Children" (1976-95)
- 36 Smith of Texas-based "Death of a Gunfighter" (1969)
- 37 TXism: "no flies on _____" (pretty gal)
- 38 TXism for "rogue"
- 39 put into the NFL Hall of Fame, like Cowboys Troy and Roger

DOWN

- 1 talk, talk, talk
- 2 "to _____ is human"
- 3 Astro pitcher (1990-93) (2 wds.)
- 4 newspaper for Lamar County town on FM 137 & FM 38 (2 wds.)
- 8 "Mission Nuestra Senora _____ Purisma Concepcion" (San Antonio)
- 9 TXism: "a hard _____ the porch" (good canine)
- 10 TXism: "old _____ sin"
- 11 country singer and rodeo cowboy Chris _____ Doux
- 12 TXism: "he's _____ snake's belly" (despicable)
- 13 TXism: "tight as the cinch on _____ horse"
- 14 soccer pad: _____ guard
- 15 Texas-based 1985 comedy film starring Kevin Costner
- 16 TX Waylon Jennings 1970 album: "_____ Think Twice"
- 17 "stand _____" (put it upright)
- 18 parody
- 20 Fair Park in Dallas has many art _____ buildings
- 22 email copy abbr.
- 23 Texas-filmed 1963 western film starring Paul Newman
- 24 "Ripley's Believe _____ Not" in Grand Prairie
- 25 a religious rule
- 26 State Fair of Texas is an _____ event
- 28 camera glass
- 31 "Big _____ National Park"
- 34 TX actress Sandy (init.)
- 35 Stilwell, founder of Port Arthur (init.)
- 37 plural of "hilum"
- 40 Oswald shooter, Jack, who was the title character in 15-across
- 43 just a little (2 wds.)
- 44 TXism for "leave it alone" (3 wds.)
- 50 TXism: "take a breather"
- 51 shameful dismissal from military (abbr.)

See Answers Below

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GW Garden Club

The Gladewater Garden Club, established 1949, meets the fourth Monday of each month at the Gardens of Gladewater Clubhouse, 108 N. Lee Street, at 1 p.m.. They have monthly programs by gardening experts and refreshments. If you are interested in joinign contact a garden club member.

County library hosts storytime

Two books will be read to small children at each of the Upshur County Library's two weekly "Storytime" sessions in Gilmer Thursday (Jan 5.)

"Mushroom Rain" by Laura K. Zimmermann, and "A Walk Through Mushroom Town" by Nicole and David Charpentier, will be presented at the 10 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. gatherings, said s library spokeswoman..

A craft will follow each Storytime, The library is at 702 W. Tyler (which is also Texas Hwy. 154.) While the events are free to the public, children under age 12 must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, call the library at (903) 843-5001 or visit its website at www.youseemore.com/upshur.

Candlelight prayer vigil for Wilson set

A candlelight/prayer vigil for Kelly Dae Wilson is scheduled in downtown Gilmer Thursday, Jan. 5, on the 31st anniversary

of the Gilmer teen-ager's disappearance.

The event is set for 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in front of the WIC office on the downtown square's north side, said Lorrie Stanley of Tyler. The building housed the now-defunct NTV video store when Wilson disappeared after leaving work there.

Wilson was a 17-year-old Gilmer High School student when she vanished on a Sunday evening.

The case attracted national attention in 1994 when eight suspects were arrested in the case and charged with murder, but the state attorney general's office had the charges dismissed soon afterward. No further arrests have ever been made.

The case has been featured in a recent podcast by Wes Ferguson.



Congratulations to White Oak Ladyneck Emma Hill, who signed her 'letter of intent' to play volleyball at Panola.

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An inflection point for GOATs:

Please quiet quit these 'banished words' moving forward

When was the last time you called someone a GOAT? Or declared an “inflection point,” or answered a yes-or-no question with “absolutely”?

Probably too recently, say the faculty of Lake Superior State University, the Michigan college that releases an annual list of words that they say deserve to be “banished” from our vocabularies over “misuse, overuse and uselessness.”

“Our nominators insisted, and our Arts and Letters faculty judges concurred, that to decree the Banished Words List 2023 as the GOAT is tantamount to gaslighting. Does that make sense?” said Rodney S. Hanley, the university’s president, in a very serious statement announcing the new list.

“Irregardless, moving forward, it is what it is: an absolutely amazing inflection point of purposeless and ineptitude that overtakes so many mouths and fingers,” Hanley added.

Here’s the full list of the school’s banished words for this year:

GOAT

Inflection point

Quiet quitting

Gaslighting

Moving forward

Amazing

Does that make sense?

Irregardless

Absolutely

It is what it is

Out of over 1,500 nominations — from people across the U.S. and as far afield as New Zealand and Namibia — judges declared that this year’s top offender was “GOAT,” the acronym for “greatest of all time.”

Nominators and faculty alike found the term objectionable due both to its impossibility — how can anyone declare a single best of all time when another may come along in the future — and the liberal way the title is dispensed



these days.

“The singularity of ‘greatest of all time’ cannot happen, no way, no how. And instead of being selectively administered, it’s readily conferred,” said Peter Szatmary, a spokesperson for Lake State.

(In the spirit of full disclosure, a review of NPR transcripts revealed at least 17 candidates for the “greatest of all time” on our air in 2022 alone, including soccer players Pelé, Lionel Messi and Diego Maradona, the long-distance runner Eliud Kipchoge, the U.S. track Olympian Allyson Felix, the women’s tennis star Serena Williams alongside a trio of her male colleagues Roger Federer, Novak Djokovic and Rafael Nadal, the quarterback Tom Brady, the hockey player Wayne Gretzky, NBA standouts Michael Jordan, LeBron James and Bill Russell, the surfer Kelly Slater, the video game Elden Ring and a Pakistani goat with very long ears.)

Lake State’s faculty judges would likely argue that was too many people (and non-people) described as “the greatest of all time.” “Words and terms matter. Or at least they should,” Szatmary said.

Joining “GOAT” in banishment are nine other words and phrases that nominators and judges complained were used so often that they had become disconnected from their literal meanings — like “amazing,” which nominators fretted no longer

lighting” hurt the word’s ability to describe a specific type of dangerous psychological manipulation. (Lookups for the word’s definition were up more than 1,700% in 2022, Merriam-Webster said when it announced “gaslighting” as 2022’s word of the year.)

Hundreds of words and phrases have been “banished” by LSSU since 1976. Over the years, LSSU has received tens of thousands of nominations for its annual list.

Frequently targeted are of-the-moment phrases like “in these uncertain times” (as so many COVID-related messages began in 2020), “information superhighway” (banished in 1995) and “filmed before a live studio audience” (such a vice it was banished twice, first in 1987 then again in 1990).

Joining them are common linguistic bugaboos — frequently misused words

like “impact,” redundancies like “exact same” and “completely empty,” or overly verbose phrases like “at this point in time.” (“Why not say ‘now,’ or ‘today?’”, a 1976 nominator asked.)

Others have been words and phrases that are genu-

inely offensive. For 1982, a mother encouraged the banishment of the word “retarded,” writing that her daughter with a mental disability would, “with proper stimulation ... be able to learn and to understand much more than we believe possible.”



Glenwood VFD Assistant Chief Terry Conyers, center, accepts a \$2,000 donation to the department from the Lakewood Home Owners Association. Presenting the check last week were association Treasurer Mary Beth Davis, left, and Sergeant-At-Arms Linda Moore, right. Association Vice-President Wayne Oney, who announced the donation, praised the East Mountain Fire Department for the way it has directed the Glenwood department in recent months, due to legal issues. Courtesy photo

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Four traffic collisions were investigated which resulted in no injuries and no continuing criminal investigations.

One person was arrested by White Oak Police during the reporting period;

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12/25/22	MISCELLANEOUS	20226449	0:23	GLADEWATER HIGH SCHOOL	2201 W GAY GAY AVE
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	20226450	0:58	GOODWILL INDUSTRIES	1640 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226451	1:08	GLADEWATER HIGH SCHOOL	2201 W GAY GAY AVE
	EMS	20226452	5:14	REGENCY INN AND SUITE	1009 E BROADWAY BROADWAY
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	20226454	8:48	SENTINEL GARDENS	300 MONEY MONEY ST
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	20226455	9:51		1505 IVY LEA IVY LEA
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	20226456	9:52		BERNICE BERNICE
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	20226457	11:08		520 MELBA MELBA
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	20226458	11:41		905 NELWYN NELWYN
	RECKLESS DRIVING	20226459	11:57		POINT PLEASANT POINT PLEASANT RD
	ABANDONED 911	20226460	12:12		209 DR. MLK JR DR. MLK JR DR
	EMS	20226461	12:58		17187 COUNTY LINE COUNTY LINE RD
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	20226462	14:08		901 CANFIELD CANFIELD
	RECKLESS DRIVING	20226463	14:34	BODACIOUS BBQ	1105 W UPSHUR UPSHUR AVE
	FIRE DEPT	20226464	15:31		LOCKER PLANT LOCKER PLANT
	EMS	20226465	16:22	LEGEND OAKS NURSING HOME	1201 FM 2685 FM 2685
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226466	18:02		2177 PHILLIP SPRINGS PHILLIP SPRINGS
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226467	18:45		206 HURLY HURLY
	ALARM/OTHER	20226468	20:11		1050 E BROADWAY BROADWAY
	EMS	20226469	20:30		16515 CR 3110 CR 3110
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226470	21:03		511 S TYLER TYLER
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226471	21:19	BROOKSHIRE GROCERY	1300 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	20226472	23:08		3045 EAST LAKE EAST LAKE DR
12/26/22	ANIMAL CONTROL	20226474	0:32		606 N MAIN MAIN ST
	EMS	20226475	0:39		206 S CULVER CULVER ST
	ASSIST	20226476	1:57		504 W MARSHALL MARSHALL AVE
	ASSIST	20226477	7:09	REGENCY INN AND SUITE	1009 E BROADWAY BROADWAY
	ASSIST	20226478	10:57		1301 N RODEO RODEO ST
	ASSIST	20226479	11:30		215 S DEAN DEAN ST
	ANIMAL CONTROL	20226480	12:13	GLADEWATER HIGH SCHOOL	2201 W GAY GAY AVE
	ASSIST	20226481	12:18	OLD TYME FEED STORE	907 S TYLER TYLER RD
	EMS	20226482	12:35		529 W MARSHALL MARSHALL
	THEFT	20226483	14:29	GLADEWATER POLICE DEPARTMENT	511 S TYLER TYLER RD
	ASSIST	20226484	14:31		1716 WEST LAKE WEST LAKE
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226485	16:01	REGENCY INN AND SUITE	1009 E BROADWAY BROADWAY
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226486	16:34		10385 UNION GROVE UNION GROVE RD
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226487	17:23		511 S TYLER TYLER
	FIRE DEPT	20226488	17:43		207 JEANETTE JEANETTE
	FIRE DEPT	20226489	18:07		1501 W LAKE LAKE
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226490	18:29	GREENWAY VILLAGE	GREENWAY VILLAGE GREENWAY VILLAGE
	MISSING PERSON	20226491	19:10		SHEPPARD SHEPPARD
	FIRE DEPT	20226492	19:44	RODEO GROUNDS	2502 W UPSHUR UPSHUR AVE
	ALARM/OTHER	20226493	20:40	CITY NATIONAL BANK	895 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226494	21:13		46 MCNEESE MCNEESE
	FIRE DEPT	20226495	21:41		21 GARDEN GARDEN LN
	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	20226496	23:19		100 S LOOP 465 LOOP 465
12/27/22	EMS	20226497	7:54	TRUMAN SMITH CHILDRENS CENTER	2200 W UPSHUR UPSHUR
	EMS	20226498	8:58		1500 FM 2685 FM 2685
	THEFT	20226499	11:16		2516 W GAY GAY AVE
	EMS	20226500	11:41		1210 PINE HILLS PINE HILLS RD
	EMS	20226501	12:12	LEGEND OAKS NURSING HOME	1201 FM 2685 FM 2685
	EMS	20226502	12:33		7008 EAST LAKE EAST LAKE
	10-50 MINOR	20226503	13:03	SEYMORE'S WILCO	1286 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	EMS	20226504	15:06	TRUMAN SMITH CHILDRENS CENTER	2200 W UPSHUR UPSHUR
	EMS	20226505	15:26	GARDENS OF GLADEWATER	108 N LEE LEE ST
	ASSIST	20226506	15:34		318 TAYLOR TAYLOR
	FALSE 9-1-1	20226507	16:26		
	ALARM/OTHER	20226508	16:43		510 WOOD WOOD ST
	ALARM/OTHER	20226509	17:03		510 WOOD WOOD ST
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	20226510	17:16	GREENWAY VILLAGE	GREENWAY VILLAGE GREENWAY VILLAGE
	RECKLESS DRIVING	20226511	17:34	CEFCO 79	1109 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	20226512	17:54		1613 SHELL CAMP SHELL CAMP RD
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	20226513	19:36		705 CANFIELD CANFIELD
	CRIM MIS	20226514	20:48		18 GREENWAY VILLAGE GREENWAY VILLAGE
	FOUND/LOST/RECOVERED	20226515	21:06	SEYMORE'S WILCO	1286 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	10-50 MINOR	20226516	23:41		1037 CHEVY C HASE CHEVY C HASE
12/28/22	EMS	20226518	3:57		809 STARNES STARNES
	EMS	20226519	6:58	TRUMAN SMITH CHILDRENS CENTER	2200 W UPSHUR UPSHUR
	10-50 MAJOR	20226520	9:28		W UPSHUR UPSHUR AVE
	THEFT	20226522	12:17		1613 SHELLCAMP SHELLCAMP
	DISTURBANCE-RESIDENCE	20226523	13:45	WELDON HOMES	68 EDDY EDDY ST
	ABANDONED 911	20226524	15:26		1300 MARY MARY
	TERROR THREAT	20226525	16:13	BUMBLE BEE PARK	637 COACH COOKSEY ST COACH COOKSEY ST
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	20226526	16:36		2411 W HAROLD HAROLD
	ABANDONED 911	20226527	17:13		1621 N MAIN MAIN ST
	FALSE 9-1-1	20226528	17:20		16 GREENWAY VILLAGE GREENWAY VILLAGE
	ABANDONED 911	20226529	20:54	DOLLAR GENERAL	904 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	RECKLESS DRIVING	20226532	23:48		136 136
12/29/22	ASSIST	20226533	8:00		1501 WEST LAKE WEST LAKE
	EMS	20226534	9:31	ECONOMY INN	701 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	ALARM/OTHER	20226535	9:57	ZIPS LIQUOR STORE	301 E UPSHUR UPSHUR AVE
	EMS	20226536	10:59		1304 N OLIVE OLIVE ST
	EMS	20226537	13:21	SENTINEL GARDENS	300 MONEY MONEY ST
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226538	14:54		511 S TYLER TYLER
	FIRE DEPT	20226539	17:41		208 E ELEANOR ELEANOR
	FIRE DEPT	20226540	18:18		1501 W LAKE LAKE
	FIRE DEPT	20226542	19:07		312 N MAIN MAIN
	ALARM/OTHER	20226543	20:37		519 E BROADWAY BROADWAY
	THEFT	20226544	21:07		704 HOLLY HOLLY
12/30/22	EMS	20226546	2:41		2620 W UPSHUR UPSHUR
	EMS	20226547	8:45		1103 N CULVER CULVER ST
	10-50 MINOR	20226548	9:22		E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	THEFT	20226549	10:24		711 MARTHA MARTHA
	FIRE DEPT	20226550	12:06	AJ S FAST STOP EXXON	1708 N MAIN MAIN ST
		20226551	13:40	JULIAWOOD HOMES	55 JULIAWOODS JULIAWOODS
	EMS	20226552	13:52		403 W GAY GAY AVE
	10-50 MINOR	20226553	13:56		900 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	20226554	15:19		523 MELBA MELBA
	FIRE DEPT	20226555	16:40	SENTINEL GARDENS	300 MONEY MONEY ST
	CRIM MIS	20226556	16:59		777 RICK RICK CIR
	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	20226557	17:08	LEE BUILDING	800 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226558	19:12	AJ S FAST STOP EXXON	1708 N MAIN MAIN ST
	FIRE DEPT	20226560	20:32		821 E EDDY EDDY
	SUSPICIOUS NOISE	20226561	20:56		605 TENERY TENERY
	FIRE DEPT	20226562	22:33	LEGEND OAKS NURSING HOME	1201 FM 2685 FM 2685
	ANIMAL CONTROL	20226563	23:06		906 TENERY TENERY
	ABANDONED 911	20226564	23:24	ALLSTATE COATINGS	100 N LEE LEE ST
12/31/22	MISSING PERSON	20226565	0:14		185 PRIVATE ROAD 3464 PRIVATE ROAD 3464
	ABANDONED 911	20226566	2:16	ALLSTATE COATINGS	100 N LEE LEE ST
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	20226567	3:16		1211 N CULVER CULVER
	FIRE DEPT	20226568	5:06		12 MONTE CARLO MONTE CARLO DR
	ANIMAL CONTROL	20226569	9:59		715 CANFIELD ST CANFIELD ST
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	20226570	11:19		1103 WALNUT DR WALNUT DR
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	20226571	12:16		205 S MILL ST S MILL ST
	10-50 MINOR	20226572	13:10	ABC AUTO PARTS	705 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	ALARM/HUMAN ERROR	20226573	14:20		3097 E LAKE DR E LAKE DR
	HARASSMENT	20226574	14:24	SENTINEL GARDENS	300 MONEY MONEY ST
	ANIMAL CONTROL	20226575	14:51		MELBA MELBA
	ANIMAL CONTROL	20226577	16:21		316 MELBA MELBA
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226578	16:33		507 W MARSHALL MARSHALL
	MISCELLANEOUS	20226579	17:14		1613 E LAKE LAKE
	RUNAWAY	20226586	17:33		1014 N LYNN LYNN
	SUSPICIOUS NOISE	20226581	19:34		605 CANFIELD CANFIELD
	RECKLESS DRIVING	20226582	19:36	DONNELLYS LIQUOR	1700 N MAIN MAIN
	SUSPICIOUS NOISE	20226583	19:59		SUNSET SUNSET
	ALARM/OTHER	20226584	20:07		2209 OAKRIDGE OAKRIDGE DR
	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	20226585	20:14		513 W GAY GAY
	SUSPICIOUS NOISE	20226586	20:53		801 E LAKE LAKE
	SUSPICIOUS NOISE	20226587	20:55		W SHEPARD SHEPARD
	ANIMAL CONTROL	20226588	21:15		511 S TYLER TYLER
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	20226589	21:47	REGENCY INN AND SUITE	1009 E BROADWAY BROADWAY
	FIRE DEPT	20226590	21:48		4065 N POINT PLEASANT POINT PLEASANT
	SUSPICIOUS NOISE	20226591	22:08		P W MARSHALL MARSHALL
	SUSPICIOUS NOISE	20226592	22:52		801 EAST LAKE EAST LAKE
	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	20226593	23:39		2404 HENDRICKS HENDRICKS
	SUSPICIOUS NOISE	20226594	23:54		510 MARSHALL MARSHALL
1/1/23	ALARM/OTHER	20230001	0:03	AEP SCHOOL	700 MELBA MELBA ST
	SUSPICIOUS NOISE	20230003	0:08		597 BRIARWOOD BRIARWOOD
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	20230004	0:38	LAKE GLADEWATER	1602 LAKESHORE LAKESHORE DR
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	20230005	1:10		132 N LEE LEE
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	20230006	2:34		1511 PHILLIPS SPRING PHILLIPS SPRING
	EMS	20230007	9:25		55 JULIA WOODS JULIA WOODS
	ANIMAL CONTROL	20230008	10:45		1103 N OLIVE OLIVE
	ABANDONED 911	20230009	13:53		1578 N RODEO RODEO DR
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	20230010	14:06	REGENCY INN AND SUITE	1009 E BROADWAY BROADWAY
	ASSIST	20230011	14:44		HWY 80 HWY 80
	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	20230012	14:45		1107 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
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	MISCELLANEOUS	20230014	15:33		802 COACH COOKSEY COACH COOKSEY
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Water Rates		Outside of City	
1st 3,000 gallons minimum	\$24.60		\$36.90
3,001 - 6,000 gallons	5.70/1,000		8.56
6,001 - 10,000 gallons	6.30/1,000		9.46
10,001 - 15,000 gallons	6.90/1,000		10.36
15,001 - 21,000 gallons	7.50/1,000		11.26
All over 21,000 gallons	8.10/1,000		12.16

Meter Deposit	\$125.00
Reconnection Fee	\$ 50.00
Meter Test	\$ 75.00

Fire Hydrants Same rate as inside city limits; \$500 meter deposit; \$150 non-refundable set/pull fee.

Sewer Rates		Outside of City	
1st 1,000	\$23.40		\$35.10
Each 1,000 gallons over minimum	\$ 3.60		\$ 5.40

Tap Fees		Sewer Taps	
Water Taps		4" Short \$	700.00/\$10.50.00 (Outside)
1" Short \$1,000.00/\$1,500.00 (Outside)		4" Long \$	1,600.00/\$2,400.00 (Outside)
1" Long \$2,000.00/\$3,000.00 (Outside)			
2" Short \$1,500.00/\$2,250.00 (Outside)			
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Sanitation	
Cart (\$15.51 plus tax)	\$16.79
Extra Cart (\$13.50 plus tax)	\$14.61
Senior Citizens Bags (\$9.50 plus tax)	\$10.04 only grandfathered in

Outside City Rates	
Cart (\$22.28 plus tax)	\$23.78

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Bears slip to Panthers, 55-50

By Tyler Sutton

The Gladewater Bears basketball team closed out the calendar year of 2022 making the short trip to Spring Hill to take on the Spring Hill Panthers at Panther gym on Friday, December 30. In a hard fought back and forth game, the Bears fell 55-50.

The Panthers got off to a hot start with an early 8-2 lead midway through the 1st quarter. But Gladewater chipped away and cut it to 10-6 after one quarter.

The Bears scored 6 of the last 8 point of the second quarter to take a 30-26 lead into halftime. Gladewater then started out hot from the field to begin the third quarter to extend their lead to 34-28. But the Panthers ended the half on a 13-2 run to take the lead back. Spring Hill then opened the fourth quarter to build a 46-38 lead.

But the Bears had one more run in them to tie the game at 48 late in the quarter. But the Panthers put the game away late with a 7-2 run to end it.

“We fought hard to get back into it. So I really liked how we never let the game get away. Just couldn’t finish it off.”

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Now we gotta get ready for district play,” said coach Curtis Armstrong.

The Panthers were lead by Dustin Yelverton’s 14 points. Peyton Bassett and Brady Mashe had 9 points and Jack Beckett had 8. Gladewater was lead by Kollin Lewis who had a game high 26 points

The Bears drop to 3-5 and will be off until January 13 when they open up district play with a home matchup vs the Dangerfield Tigers.

The Lady Bears will open up their district schedule on Friday, January 6th at home with a matchup against the New Diana Lady Eagles.

In other holiday action, the Bears traveled to Winnsboro to take on the Raiders.

While it was close early, the Raiders pulled away late for a 72-57 win over the Bears. Kyler Finney had 17 points to lead Winnsboro. He was joined by Will Wilcox who chipped in 15 points. Glade-

water was lead by 22 points from DaVaunte Powers. Kollin Lewis also had 20 points and Tristen Linwood had 10.

“Just could not get the defensive stops at the end to come all the way back. Had great games from DeVaunte and Kollin. But could not get enough on the defensive end,” said coach Armstrong.

Ladynecks, Roughnecks post wins

The White Oak Ladynecks closed out the first and second half with double-digit point quarters, and that was enough to hold off Harmony 45-42 for a Hawkins Tournament win last week.

Elyse Paiz led the White Oak charge with 16 points, while Emma Nix out up nine points and Whitney Rayson added seven points. Bella Baker hit for points, Anna Iske had three points and Lexi Palmer, Kalyn Hepler and Karl Jones each wound up with two points.

The Roughnecks also posted wins last week beating Calvert at the Tenaha Tournament 42-31.

Colton Millwood led the way with 13 points and Zac Jacyno pumped in nine rebounds, eight points, and two blocks.

Terrall Beall provided seven rebounds and four points, Caden Tyner scored seven points, and Kaleb Sorgee added three points.



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WO Ladynecks lead All-District honors, Lady Bears make Academic roster

White Oak Ladynecks Anna Iske and Calee Carter were both named "Most Valuable Player" honors with the release of the District 15-3A All-District Volleyball Team for the 2022 season.

Iske, a senior, finished with 291 kills, 106 blocks, 204 digs, 86 receptions and 350 service points for the Ladynecks. Carter, a junior, had 423 kills, 80 blocks, 147 digs, 43 aces and 181 points off her serve.

Other top honors went to White Oak's Emma Hill (Setter of the Year), Sabine's Cale Brown (Hitter of the Year), Hughes Springs' Bella McKinney and New Diana's Peyton Abernathy (Blockers of the Year), White Oak's Mallory McKinney (Libero of the Year), Sabine's Ella Roberts (Defensive Player of the Year), New Diana's Chloe Green (Newcomer of the Year), White Oak's Addison Clinkscales and New Diana's Jolie Ballard (Servers of the Year) and White Oak's Morgan High (Coach of the Year).

Voting was conducted by the district's coaches.

FIRST TEAM

White Oak: Emma Nix, Addison McClanahan; Sabine: Riley Lux, Peyton Childress; Hughes Springs: Kadence Blythe, Emma McKinney; New Diana: Sophie Oubre, Gaby Martinez.

SECOND TEAM

White Oak: Karsyn Edwards; Sabine: Caitlyn Stewart; Hughes Springs: Alyssa Baxter; New Diana: Taryn Reece, Ava Smith; **Gladewater:** Alexis Boyd, Sydney Keller, Zandrea Tyeskie.

HONORABLE MENTION

Daingerfield: Alexis Williams, Terry Gholston; Gladewater: Kiyona Parker; Hughes Springs: Hailey Crews, Leiloni Boyd, Hannah Abernathy, Mallory Bidby, Annie Brown, Maggie Pate; New Diana: Avery Howard, Chloe Bonnette; Sabine: Kathryn Dalby, Kamryn Mann, Gracie Parrott, Emily McBride; **White Oak:** Mackenzie Rankin, Trinity Noll, Karlyn Jones.

ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT

White Oak: Emma Hill, Emma Nix, Anna Iske, Chloe Bates, Mallory McKinney, Lexi Palmer, Trinity Noll, Karlyn Jones, Makenzie Rankin, Addison Clinkscales, Calee Carter, Addison McClanahan, Karsyn Edwards, Londyn Bodovsky, Alli Sims; **Gladewater:** Sydney Keller, Alexis Boyd, Zandrea Tyeskie, Gracie George, Karlee Moses, Lily Smith, Hadassah Balcorta, Brianna Wilson, Savannah Warren, Kiyona Parker; Hughes Springs: Leiloni Boyd, Hannah Abernathy, Mallory Bidby, Annie Brown, Alyssa Baxter, Bella McKinney, Gracie Reagan, Kadence Blythe, Emma McKinney, Kylar Johnson, Hailey Crews, Maggie Pate, Shae Leigh Johnson; Sabine: Emily McBride, Addy Carney, Caitlyn Stewart, Carol Anguiano, Cale Brown, Gracie Parrott, Ella Roberts, Carah Strait, Samaria Austin, Peyton Childress, Kathryn Dalby, Riley Lux, Kamryn Mann, Tessa Peterson, Katie Stansberry; New Diana: Peyton Abernathy, Chloe Bonnette, Chloe Green, Avery Howard, Gaby Martinez, Taryn Reece, Ava Smith, Shaylee Stanley, Jolie Ballard; Daingerfield: Ricoya Hayes, Terry Gholston, Alexis Williams, Katie Arriaga, La'Nyecia Lewis, Destiny Gholston, DeAsia Williams.



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