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Bear tickets sold online Aug. 9-20

GISD Athletic Director Scott Clower has announced that Bear football tickets will be sold online through Event School Tickets. Starting Aug. 9 through Aug. 20 all seats will be open to the general public for purchase of reserved tickets for the season online. Ticket prices remain the same but a small transaction fee will be added. The purchased tickets can be printed out or may be used by phone swipe at the entrance to the stadium. For questions call GHS.

Step-by-step procedure for first time buyers:

Visit schooleventticketslogin.com and click "Sign Up" in the upper right corner.

Fill in the prompted information and press submit to create an account.

An activation email will be sent to you, click the link within the email and your account will be activated.

Once account is activated you can log into your account and follow the steps below:

TO PURCHASE TICKETS:

1. Go to the event webpage.
2. Select the quantity from the type of tickets you wish to purchase.
- If you were provided an access code, select "Click Here to Enter PROMO" and you will be able to input your access code to get to your tickets.
3. If you are on your mobile phone, you must scroll within the ticket box to see all tickets.
4. To select a quantity, you must click on the white quantity box and scroll within the quantity box to see all numbers.
5. Click "Buy Tickets".
6. Enter the ticket buyer and credit card information.
7. Select "Pay Now".
8. Click "GO TO MY TICKETS" on this page or go to your email to view your tickets
9. Your current orders will appear. Select "View Order".
10. Select "Download Tickets". You can print them, or you can download them onto your mobile device to bring to the event.

PLEASE NOTE: If you are purchasing tickets on your mobile device and the system is not processing your transaction, please turn off your pop up blocker on your browser so that it will allow your transaction to be processed by taking you to the next page where you can download your tickets.

COVID-19 cases up in area

The monthly Gladewater recycling program - which has been on hold for more than a year due to COVID-19 health concerns - had planned to return on Aug. 14.

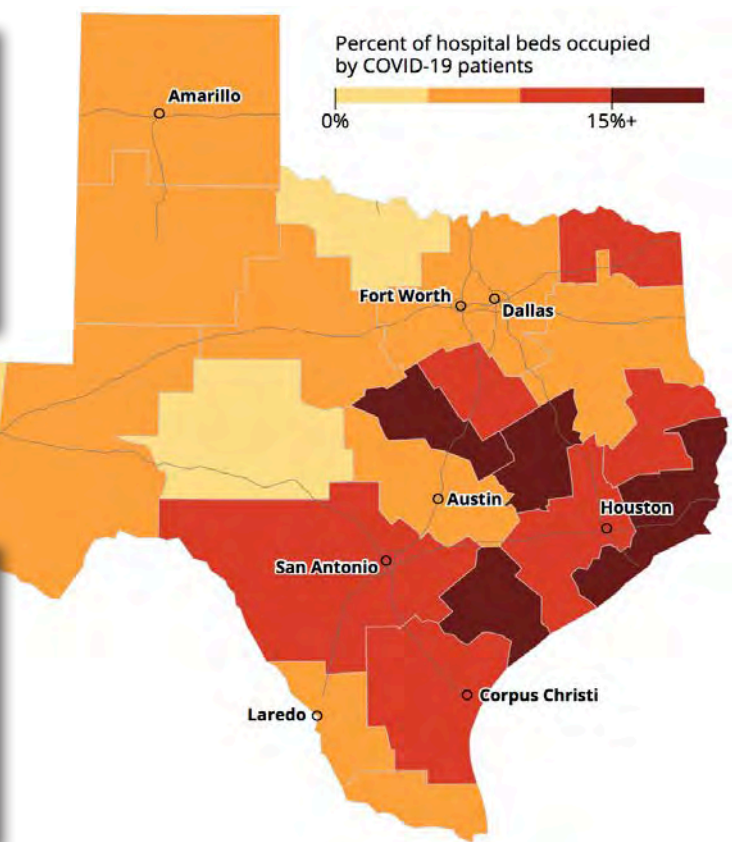
But recyclers will have to hang on to all their paper and cardboard boxes for another month. Organizers decided Monday to move the free recycling effort to Sept. 11 because of growing delta variant of COVID-19 cases in the area. Organizers did not feel it was prudent to put volunteer at risk.

The state's positivity rate, which is the percent of virus tests coming back positive, has increased to levels not seen since January. This indicates the highly transmissible delta variant of COVID-19 is spreading rampantly and mostly among the unvaccinated. Hospitals across the state are seeing dramatic jumps in COVID-19 patients, straining an already overburdened health care system.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is now recommending vaccinated people start masking up again in indoor public spaces in "areas with substantial and high transmission," which includes most of Texas. And some of the state's largest counties are also asking everyone — vaccinated and unvaccinated — to wear

Gregg County	
New cases per 1,000: 3.7	
NEW CASES LAST 14 DAYS	458
TOTAL CONFIRMED CASES	6,564
TOTAL PROBABLE CASES	5,532
TOTAL DEATHS	365

Upshur County	
New cases per 1,000: 4.2	
NEW CASES LAST 14 DAYS	174
TOTAL CONFIRMED CASES	1,564
TOTAL PROBABLE CASES	2,193
TOTAL DEATHS	78



masks again. However, Gov. Greg Abbott has said public schools and government entities cannot require masks, which has upset parents and teachers as students — most of whom are unvaccinated — prepare to return to in-person learning.

Meanwhile, almost 44% of all Texans are fully vaccinated, but the number of vaccines administered has been declining each month since April. New

preliminary data released by DSHS shows 99.5% of COVID-related deaths in Texas were unvaccinated people between Feb. 8 and July 14.

Everyone age 12 and older is eligible for the vaccine in Texas, regardless of occupation or health status. Only the Pfizer vaccine is available to people ages 12 to 17.

As of July 31, 14.9 million people have received at least

one dose, which is 51.5% of Texas' population, and 12.7 million people, or 43.8%, are fully vaccinated. A total of 26.6 million doses have been administered. The Pfizer and Moderna vaccines require two doses, and the Johnson & Johnson vaccine requires one dose.

Texas received its first shipments of the COVID-19 vaccine on Dec. 14.

Union Grove homicide being investigated

By Phillip Williams
The Upshur County Sheriff's Office, investigating a shooting which left a woman dead and her husband seriously injured at their Union Grove home Saturday night, is "treating her death as a homicide" while her husband's wound is believed to be self-inflicted, said sheriff's Chief Deputy David Hazel.

Investigators were initially trying to determine whether the wounds suffered by Jennifer Abigail Lile, 34, and her husband, Mark James Lile, 37, were both self-inflicted or whether her death was a homicide, Hazel said. Based on preliminary autopsy results received Monday, officers consider it a homicide, he said.

Jennifer Lile was pronounced dead at the scene at 288 Private Road 1016, off of Willow Oak Road, by Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Wyone Manes, who had the body sent to Tyler for an autopsy, said Hazel. Mark Lile was reported in serious condition Monday at UT Health North Campus--Tyler, the chief deputy said.

Officers responded to the small home about 7 p.m. and, upon arriving, found the woman's body and Lile seriously wounded, he said. The couple had been married several years and had a Gladewater address, he added.

By coincidence, sheriff's deputies were at a nearby residence, where they were attempting to get a man to leave a house after an unrelated disturbance call, when the officers heard shots behind that house which turned out to have come from the Liles' home, he said.

The Manna House peanut butter shelf is full but is missing the jelly kids like to make their sandwiches with. In addition to jelly, other items in immediate need are pasta, rice, cornbread mix or meal and flour. Donations may be dropped off during Manna House hours Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. or at the Gladewater Mirror newspaper weekdays during business hours at 211 N. Main Street. Financial donations may be mailed to: Manna House, P.O. Box 808, Gladewater, 75647. All contributions are tax deductible. Photo By Suzanne Bardwell



Texas Sales Tax Holiday is Aug. 6-8

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar is reminding shoppers they can save money on clothes and school supplies during the state's sales tax holiday on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 6-8.

State law exempts sales tax on qualified items — such as clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks — priced below \$100, saving shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend. The date of the sales tax holiday and list of tax-exempt items are set by the Texas Legislature.



The cheer squad of seniors Jade Thomas-mascot, Aniya Sanders-mascot, Lexi Hart, Timber Smith, Adasyn Williams and Alise Sanders; juniors Gracie George and Makayla Police and sophomores Kyla Lincoln and Hadossah Balcorta attended cheer camp at Southern Methodist University. Junior Kamryn Floyd was not able to attend because of knee surgery. Mascots Aniya Sanders and Jade Thomas both received All American awards along with squad manager Rebecca Kinsey and Kaila King. The Bear mascot team earned the Mascot Leadership award. Co-captains Timber Smith and Lexi Hart both earned All American Cheerleader honors. The majority of the squad earned nominations to try out for All American honors. Sponsors for the squad are Angie Townsend and Claudia Barnhill. Courtesy Photos

OPINION/EDITORIAL

Gary Borders Capital Highlights



Eight proposed amendments on November ballot

The order has been drawn for eight proposed amendments to the much-amended Texas Constitution that will appear on the Nov. 2 ballot. The proposed amendments were approved by at least two thirds of both houses of the state Legislature. According to the Austin American-Statesman, they include:

- Allowing families to designate an “essential caregiver” to have access to loved ones in nursing homes and other long-term facilities. The issue came up when visitors were banned from such facilities during the pandemic.
- Banning all government entities — state, cities, counties, etc. — from limiting or preventing religious services, also an issue that arose during the pandemic.
- Providing property tax exemptions to spouses of soldiers killed in the line of duty.
- Barring attorneys whose law license has previously been suspended or revoked from serving as judges, and requiring district judges to be practicing lawyers for at least eight years. The minimum required now is four years.
- Allowing counties to issue bonds to finance transportation or other infrastructure projects in blighted or unproductive areas.
- Allowing the state’s professional rodeo associations to raise money through raffles, as other charities can do.
- Authorizing the State Commission on Judicial Conduct, which investigates complaints against judges, to also oversee the conduct of judicial candidates.
- Allowing school taxes to continue to be reduced for those 55 and older upon the death of a spouse with a disability.

As the Statesman reported, Texas voters to date have approved 507 amendments, making the Texas Constitution one of the longest in the nation.

Advice on trees recovering from Winter Storm Uri

As August arrives, landowners wondering about trees stricken during Winter Storm Uri in mid-February can quit wondering what to do about trees that are still completely bare: they are almost certainly not going to come back.

Specialists with the Texas A&M Forest Service, along with Neil Sperry, a widely known gardening and horticulture expert, teamed up last May to urge Texans to wait until mid-July before cutting down leafless trees. The vast majority of trees that were slow to leaf out have mostly recovered.

“The waiting was important, because we’re just now beginning to differentiate between those trees that are obviously not going to survive; those that are wounded and we hope will survive; and those that are definitely going to survive, but are going to take a little while to come back,” Sperry said.

Gretchen Riley, the Urban and Community Forestry Program Leader at Texas A&M Forest Service, said if a tree is bare and hasn’t put out a single leaf, it is almost certainly dead. This also applies to palm trees, which were especially hard hit by the storm.

“Anything green means that the tree has a chance for recovery,” Riley said. “But a single small frond should have grown and opened on palm trees by now. No green means it is dead and has already started rotting internally.”

State reports first West Nile case

The state’s first case of illness caused by West Nile virus this year was reported in Dallas County, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services.

The virus is transmitted through bites from infected mosquitoes. While most people exposed to West Nile don’t get sick, about 20% develop symptoms such as headache, fever, joint and muscle aches, nausea and fatigue.

DSHS urges Texans venturing outdoors to wear long sleeves and pants and apply insect repellent. The agency also recommends removing standing water from tires, toys, buckets and other items.

Over the past five years, the state has had 805 cases of West Nile virus and 63 deaths.

TCEQ plans to use drones during disasters

The next time a hurricane or other natural disaster hits Texas, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality plans to use drones to help staff survey land difficult for personnel to visit by foot or in a vehicle.

TCEQ now has 25 drones equipped to allow live-streaming video during disaster events. More than two dozen staff members have completed classroom instruction, with 17 having passed the FAA exam for what are formally called Unmanned Aerial Systems.

DSHS awards \$10M in grants for vaccine efforts

As COVID-19 vaccination rates lag and cases of the delta variant spike, DSHS will award \$10 million to local groups working to promote vaccination efforts. The grants of \$50,000 to \$150,000 will go to a wide range of organizations providing vaccine education across the state.

A total of 6,251 lab-confirmed COVID-19 patients were in Texas hospitals as of Sunday, according to DSHS. That is quadruple last month.

The wake

Suzanne and I attended a wake Sunday. It was held in Mount Vernon in a 100-year-old building that had been turned into a steakhouse/bar on the downtown square.

The place was packed with people of all ages and from all walks of life and everyone was proud to be there to say farewell to an old friend — a friend that had just turned 147 years old.

This friend had been there for all the community’s birth announcements and death notices, its weddings and silver and golden anniversaries, as well as generations of high school and college graduations. It had recorded all the high school football team’s ups and down, including those of Jeff and Hazel’s Babyboy Dandy Don Meredith.

Politically, this friend had been there when no one else cared to stand their ground. It never ran away from fires or dangerous situations like tornadoes. Instead, it was always in the thick of it — ready to lend a hand and keep people informed as to what they needed to do next or how they could help. It was the trusted source of all things Franklin County and Mount Vernon.

The event was a wake for the county’s hometown newspaper — the Mount Vernon Optic-Herald. And it was a farewell to its owners Susan and John Reeves, and Susan’s aunt and the paper’s publisher emeritus Pat Wright. The paper had been entrusted to five generations of this one family and this family thanked all in attendance for allowing them to hold the public’s trust for 147 years.

The event was bitter sweet. I was happy Susan and John will finally be able to take a vacation — something John said they hadn’t done in 20 years. But I was very sad that the wake created a huge void in this community.

Who will be at the city and county meetings reporting on how the taxpayer’s money is being spent? I assure you most cities and counties don’t post public notices in local newspapers or on city bulletin boards because they want taxpayers to know what is happening. No, no, no. They do it because they are required to do so by law.

Who will be there to record the history of that proud community? The Optic-Herald had been the vault for this community’s news for 147 years. It was there before radio, before TV. Unfortunately, it will not be there when Facebook and all the current and future social media fail to record life as it unfolds without unneeded narratives and

Jim Bardwell



catfights. And when their digital files eventually fade, there will be no permanent record of ink on paper to tell future generations what happened in Franklin County in 2022 and future years.

Who will be there to publicly celebrate next year’s valedictorian’s address to the Class of 2022? Who will record the football team’s 2022 season — certainly not John, who has been a fixture on the sidelines for decades. Who will share the school debate team’s accomplishments and who will provide refrigerator material of the local kids’ blue and red ribbons?

It wasn’t that the Optic-Herald wanted to close up shop after 147 years.

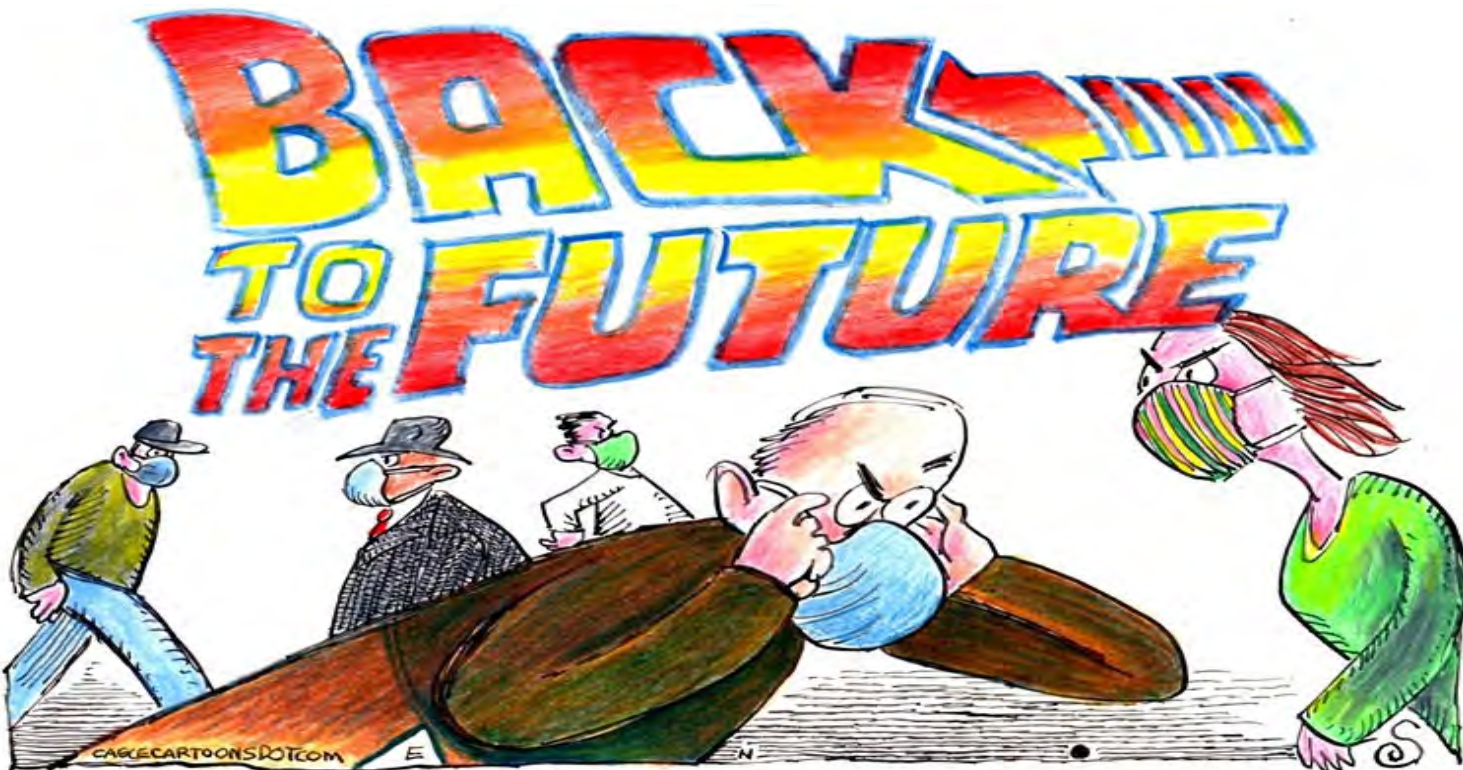
It was a matter of economics.

Like so many other newspapers across the nation, it was taking more money to keep the paper open and serve the community each week than it was taking in. And you can only operate in the red for so long before you have to pull the plug and walk away. No matter how much you want to help people by keeping them informed and serving as the public’s watchdog on government — you can’t buy a loaf of bread with a bundle of newspapers.

I just hope our time isn’t looming on the horizon. Suzanne and I work hard to provide a free press to the people of our communities, much like John and Susan did. We give it our all, even when some in the community push potential newspaper advertisers to Facebook and other social media. Many community groups sell ads for their school programs, chamber guides, club golf and/or shotgun tournaments.

While all are worthy endeavors, there are only so many pieces that can be cut from that one pie in the community. And when there are no more crumbs left in the pie pan, there will be more newspaper wakes held in hometowns.

The people of Mount Vernon don’t really understand what they have lost — not yet. But they soon will and unfortunately it will be too late.



THE ECONOMIST

By Dr. M. Ray Perryman

Potential economic consequences of Texas and OU leaving the Big 12

The University of Texas and The University of Oklahoma recently announced that they would soon be leaving the Big 12 Conference to join the Southeastern Conference.



Without Texas and OU, the rest of the conference is undoubtedly facing smaller television deals, lower attendance, and other negative consequences. The result would be reductions in athletic revenue, tourism, and economic benefits for affected communities.

The Perryman Group looked at two representative scenarios. In Scenario 1, the Big 12 Conference remains largely intact with the remaining eight teams (and potentially expands), with television revenues and attendance patterns similar to those in the American Athletic Conference (adjusted for specific characteristics of the individual schools).

Scenario 2 assumes the Big 12 Conference is not maintained and individual schools must seek opportunities elsewhere, with ultimate performance mirroring the five most successful athletic programs in the Mountain West Conference

(the next most successful league following the American Athletic Conference) adjusted for specific characteristics of the individual schools.

For the communities across the Big 12 Conference, the realignment could be expected to cause losses of \$938.9 million in annual gross product and 12,623 jobs under Scenario 1, with \$1.3 billion in annual gross product and 18,063 jobs for Scenario 2.

Looking specifically at the Texas universities, if Texas joins the SEC, there will undoubtedly be benefits for the university and the Austin area. However, the Waco, Lubbock, and Fort

Worth areas would face negative economic consequences due to effects on Baylor University, Texas Tech University, and Texas Christian University. Total annual losses for these three communities were found to include \$397.7 million in annual gross product and 5,322 jobs under Scenario 1 and \$569.1 million in annual gross product and 7,615 jobs under Scenario 2 (including multiplier effects).

College athletics is changing, and it is understandable and even inevitable that schools will respond. At the same time, the consequences for other universities and how those might be mitigated is worthy of consideration.

THE DEATH BURIAL AND RESURRECTION OF CHRIST

“Tell of the cross where they nailed Him, writhing in anguish and pain; Tell of the grave where they laid Him, tell how He liveth again. Love in that story so tender, clearer; than ever I see; Stay, let me weep, while you whisper, love paid a ransom for me.” The third verse of Fanny J. Crosby’s hymn: **Tell Me the Story of Jesus**. It speaks of the very foundation of the gospel, the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ. (1 Cor. 15: 1-4). It is the story that needs to be told and believed over and over again.

I don’t profess to understand it. There are mysteries here that are too deep for my finite mind to comprehend, but I believe the infinite condescension was necessary for God to become a servant, to become a man, to become a little lower than the angels, and finally to die. But I know this. I surely love Him for doing it, and my heart is enlarged in gratitude toward Him for it.

Before Pilate Jesus stood. Crowned with thorns, blood trickling down His face, covered with a purple robe of mockery, with spit in His face, His back bleeding and with a reed in His hand for a scepter; that pitiful figure of a man; and on that very fact there hangs the eternal hope of salvation for every redeemed soul!

I could not go the cemetery and somehow comprehend the certainty of the resurrection by a loving God, if I did not realize and believe that Christ Himself was raised from the dead and ascended to heaven, and is now at the right hand of God. Tear stained eyes need clear and simple evidence. Hearts that grieve need more than mere promises, they need a demonstration! Thanks be to God that our blessed Lord has demonstrated the resurrection. This demonstration is confirmed by unmistakable evidence, and many infallible proofs. (1 Cor. 15; Acts 1: 3). The empty tomb is a message for us. It says to science and philosophy, EXPLAIN THIS EVENT! It says to history, REPEAT THIS EVENT! It says to time, BLOT OUT THIS EVENT! It says to faith, BELIEVE THIS EVENT!

If you have not benefitted from His death, burial, and resurrection, by being baptized into Him (Rom. 6: 3-4; 1 Cor. 15: 1-3), you are missing the meaning of “The story most precious, sweetest that ever was heard.” And more important, you fail to appreciate the “love” that “paid a ransom for you.” Think on these things.

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OBITUARIES

EDWARD LAMAR SMITH, JR.

Edward Smith, Jr joined his beloved mother, father, sister, and brother on July 29, 2021 after a hard fought two year battle with cancer. Ed worked for Kelly Springfield for 40 years. He was so determined to get a job at Kelly that he would show up every day at the plant asking



for a job. He made so many friends over the 40 years. It took the plant closing to get him to even contemplate retiring. Even after retirement, he found odds and ends jobs to stay busy. It took cancer treatments to slow him down enough to stop working.

Ed was the kind of person that never met a stranger. There were many times we would be in public and he would just start up a conversation with anyone around. He even had the ability to say sarcastic remarks to someone and before the conversation was over they would be agreeing with him.

Ed was an avid hunter and fisherman. He made many lifetime friends on the various deer leases he was on. He could always find something to hunt or catch and somewhere to find what he was looking for, no matter the season. He would always help anyone with any issue as long as you would accept his criticism and opinion about how you should be living your life. He would always figure out how to fix anything. I have never heard him say I don't know or I can't. If he had an issue with anything he would figure it out. The week before he went into the hospital he was out mowing his yard. He finally had to quit when the mower broke. He told his wife after my chemo treatment I will load that mower up and get it fixed.

The last 12 years he had the great joy of being a grandpa to Roman. Every time I would call to check on him, he would tell me about all the things he and Roman had done. It is so wonderful that he had the opportunity to spend time with Roman and teach him life lessons, and the bond was as beneficial to Ed as much as Roman. Ed's other grandchildren are older and live further away, and it was such a joy for him to be able to spend the last 12 years with Roman. They both truly benefited from their relationship.

Ed is preceded in death by his mother and father, Rosie and Edward (slim) Smith, Sr., sister, Marie Clanton, and baby brother James. He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Chaun; 4 children, Edward (son) of Austin, Misti Nicholas (daughter) and husband Mike of Huntsville, Kristi Hayman (daughter) and husband James of Huntsville, Amber Wahl (daughter) and husband Toby of Tyler, 6 grandchildren; Grant and Morgan Nicholas, Logan Curry, Hayden Hayman, and Roman and Canaan Wahl; and one great grandson, Rankin Currie; sister Patsy Ann Sipes; 2 nieces, Cynthia and Liz, and one nephew Ricky. And numerous friends.

Graveside service for Edward Smith, Jr. was Monday, August 2, 2021 at Rosedale Cemetery in Gladewater, under the direction of Croley Funeral Home in Gladewater.

The family is very grateful to Knobby LeTourneau and the wonderful staff at Hospice of East Texas for being there to support and comfort Ed during his transition.

In lieu of flowers, the family would like memorials be sent in Edwards honor to Hospice of East Texas, Hospice Homeplace; 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, Texas 75701



WHAT'S HAPPENING

Foster Care/adoption event August 22

New Beginnings Baptist Church will host a Bruschetta Bar Dinner and foster care/adoption event to recruit families. The event is free with pre-registration. Families interested in foster care and adoption as well as those who want to support those who foster and adopt are invited. The event is Aug. 22, from 5-7 p. at New Beginnings Baptist Church at 2137 E. George Richey Road in Longview. Enter the East Entrance. To pre-register go online to nbbctx.org and go to the events button.

Oil Patch TRTA to meet

The Oil Patch TRTA chapter invites all TRS retirees who have retired from Texas public schools and colleges to attend its first meeting on Thursday, Aug. 26 at 1:30 p.m. at Gladewater's First United Methodist Church. The meeting will be held in Jeter Hall. All TRS retirees are warmly encouraged to attend.

Storytime on tap in Gilmer

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

"Amelia Bedilia's First Day of School" by Herman Parish, and "The Day You Begin" by Jacqueline Woodson, will be presented at the 10

a.m. and 4:15 p.m. sessions, said the library's children's coordinator, Kari Dunn. A craft will follow each Storytime, said Dunn.

The library is at 702 W. Tyler (which is also Texas Hwy. 154.)

The events are free to the public, but children under age 12 must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, contact the library at (903) 843-5001 or visit its website at www.youseemore.com/upshur.

City needs volunteers

The City of Gladewater wishes to encourage community involvement by engaging citizens of diverse backgrounds, skill sets and innovative ideals to serve on the following city boards:

Airport, Beautification, Gladewater Economic Development Corporation, Lake, Planning & Zoning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustments. If you are interested in serving, pick up an application form from City Clerk Judy Van Houten, Gladewater City Hall, 519 E. Broadway, or access it from the city website at www.cityofgladewater.com. Each respective board will review applications and submit recommendations to the City Council for consideration.

COVID clinic set for this Wednesday

Gladewater ISD COVID Vaccine Clinic will be held today from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. at the GEDCO building at 2109 W. Gay Avenue in Gladewater. To register go to <http://ow.ly/Cxuy50FHfxm>.

EDUCATION FOUNDATION GLADEWATER
GIDDY UP & GIVE
 GRANTS FOR TEACHERS FUNDRAISING EVENT

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Dear Gladewater ISD Patron,

The Education Foundation Gladewater (EFG) is pleased to announce its 2021 Grants for Teachers Fundraiser Event, Giddy Up & Give 2021. We have scheduled this event for September 11 at Tempest Golf Club, Gladewater. Attendance at the event is strictly by ticket only and limited to 350 guests. It will be a fun night of fundraising with dinner, music, and a live and silent auction. Watch for more details soon on our website and Facebook page!

The EFG's mission is to support innovation and creativity in the classroom by funding educational grants submitted by faculty and staff of Gladewater ISD. The teachers of our district strive to add innovative and engaging curriculum to their classrooms, but budget constraints at times limit those possibilities. By supporting Giddy Up & Give 2021, you can provide a much needed contribution to make those innovative ideas a dream come true for our teachers.

There are several ways to support this effort. Would you sponsor a table? Purchase individual tickets to attend the event? Or, donate an auction item? Certainly, you are welcome to do all!

We hope that we can count on your help to make this year's Giddy Up & Give 2021 event a success!

Thank you for your consideration in partnering with the EFG as we work together to make Gladewater ISD a premier district in this region. We are more than happy to answer any questions you may have. Feel free to contact any of our EFG directors for additional information.

Sincerely,
 Katie Ellis, Event Chair

P.S. We are pleased to announce that the Education Foundation Gladewater is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Your contributions are tax-deductible.

UGISD MEET THE TEACHER

UG Elementary Thursday, Aug. 12th 4:00pm-6:00pm
 UG JH/HS Friday, Aug. 13th 3:00pm - 5:30pm



Back to School Bash

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13TH, 4:30PM-5:45PM
 UG JH/HS CAMPUS
 INFLATABLES, FACE PAINTING, SNOWCONES

MEET THE LIONS!

Friday, August 13th, 6:00 pm
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UG LIONS V. Overton Mustangs 7:30 pm (scrimmage)

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GHS Senior 1971 Raffle All School Reunion Fundraiser

\$10 per ticket or 12 tickets for \$100
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Beretta A300 Outlander Semi-Auto Shotgun

Model: J30TZ18 - 12 Gauge - 28" Barrel length - True Timber DRT - 3 Gun Weight - Righthand
Call Freda at 903-738-4526 to purchase
Drawing Sept. 25 - Need not be present to win



Clothes Closet and Manna House volunteers Lois Reed, Bob Sedgwick, Gary Hinds and Mary Ann White were hard at work Monday making sure that the food and clothing needs of Gladewater residents are met. The community ministries are open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. Donations may also be dropped off during that time. Currently children and teen clothing that fits school dress code requirements are needed.
Photo By Suzanne Bardwell

HOST AN EXCHANGE STUDENT TODAY!



Pablo from Spain, 17 yrs.
Loves soccer and would like to learn to play baseball. Pablo is a boy scout and enjoys the outdoors.

(for 3, 5 or 10 months)

Make this year the most exciting, enriching year ever for you and your family. Welcome a high school student, 15-18 years old, from Belgium, Italy, France, Netherlands, Norway, Denmark, Spain, Germany or Thailand as part of your family for a school year (or less) and make an overseas friend for life.



Julie from Denmark, 16 yrs.
Enjoys gymnastics, swimming and photography. She's positive, fun loving and easy to get along with.

For more information or to select your own exchange student please call:

Marcy at 1-800-473-0696 (Toll Free)
or e-mail us at info@world-heritage.org

For privacy reasons, photos above are not photos of actual students



www.whhosts.com

World Heritage is a public benefit, non-profit organization based in Laguna Beach, CA.

Rotary golf tourney set for Oct. 23

The Gladewater Rotary Club will host its 15th annual golf tournament on Oct. 23 at Woodhollow in Longview. The entry fee is \$75 per person, \$300 per team for the 4-man golf scramble. Lunch will be provided at

11:30 a.m. and a shotgun start at 1 p.m. The entry fee includes putting contest, lunch, green fee, cart fee, driving range and door prize ticket.

Prizes will be awarded for the long drive and closest to the hole. Cash prizes include \$400 to the first place team, \$250 for second place team and \$175 for third place team. \$5 per player for two mulligans will also be available.

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To signup contact Sam Cloud at 903-844-2205 or send check to the Gladewater Rotary at P.O. Box 17, Gladewater, 75647.

Congratulations Graduate!

Gladewater resident and 2002 graduate of Gladewater High School, Bryan D. Beaver, received his doctorate in Education Administration from the University of Houston on July 30, 2021, graduating Summa Cum Laude.

Bryan is employed by Pine Tree ISD and his goal is to become a superintendent of a local school district.
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Jesse Hawkins, Vice President of Construction Services at HLH (Hugman Lammers & Hawkins) spoke to the Rotary Club about the Education Foundation of Gladewater's Sept. 11 Giddy Up & Give fundraiser to be held at the Tempest Golf Club Neptune's Grille & Bar restaurant. For ticket information go online to giddyupandgive.com. Proceeds raised will fund GUSD teacher grants for special projects, curriculum materials and more. Photo By Suzanne Bardwell



Ryan Denison shared the mission and varied services of Denison Ministries with the Rotary Club last Thursday. The nondenominational online Christian ministry was begun by his father Dr. Jim Denison in 2009. The denisonministries.org online ministry includes the Denison Forum, First 15 (a daily devotion), Christian Parenting and in-depth Bible studies by Janet Denison, Ryan's mother. The ministry seeks to engage with the current culture from a Christian worldview. Denison said a primary driver is the commonality of God's love and the need for authentic engagement and conversation between people with different cultural and religious backgrounds and political convictions. Photo By Suzanne Bardwell



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#1 Sale for Josette McCrary
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1301 Spring Branch – Tyler TX, 75703
Outside S Loop 323 and off S. Broadway, turn west onto Rice Rd. by Brookshire's; continue across Old Bullard Rd. At the light, turn left (south) onto Hollytree Dr. Turn right onto Spring Branch. OR turn south off Rice Rd. onto Plantation and east onto Spring Branch. (Part of Hollytree Dr. may be blocked.)
 This lovely 2414 sq. ft. home, listed by Frieda Phillips, is for sale. Contents and consignments include: brushed red buffet & coordinating sofa/entry table; antq. secretary; antq. corner cabinet; many blue & white selections; A.C. Gentry framed prints; entertainment unit; 2 great bicycles; grandfather clock; lamps; chandeliers; framed art; cost. jewelry (Pandora & James Avery); clothes, shoes, purses (Mich. Kors, Brighton, Coach); china; crystal; Tyler High Akalades; Texas A & M yrkbc; iron base sofa/entry table; din.chairs (needlepoint seats); club chair & ottoman; white wicker etagere; rattan settee; linens; décor; crosses; Jim Shore Mary, Joseph, & Baby Jesus; roll top desk; rattan baker's rack; movies, CD's, holiday selections; many books; roosters; MA Hadley selections; kitchen items; folding chairs; file cabinet; sm. appliances; 2 ref.; wash. & dryer; hand tools; golf clubs; ladder; wheelbarrow; sooooo much more!
TWO Divide & Conquer Downsizing Sales – Same Dates
#2 Sale for Rae and Margaret Peacock
 Thurs., August 5 – 8:00 - 5:00 (NOT 7:00 AM / NOT 5:30)
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Bidders may contact the Code Enforcement Department for details at 903-845-2011.

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	MISCELLANEOUS	202104210	0:36	CEFCO #79	1109 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	SIMPLE ASSAULT "C"	202104211	0:59	DIXIE MOTEL	328 S TYLER TYLER RD
	MISCELLANEOUS	202104212	1:04		612 MAPLE MAPLE ST
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	202104213	2:29	LAKE GLADEWATER	1602 LAKESHORE LAKESHORE DR
	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	202104214	3:37	CHICKEN EXPRESS	1101 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	MISCELLANEOUS	202104215	4:52		EAST LAKE EAST LAKE
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	202104217	6:24		1002 CHEVY CHASE CHEVY CHASE
	ALARM/OTHER	202104218	11:38	BODY OF BELIEVERS	2822 W UPSHUR UPSHUR AVE
	MISCELLANEOUS	202104219	13:44		514 NORTH NORTH ST
	EMS	202104220	14:12		1352 PHILLIPS SPRINGS PHILLIPS SPRINGS RD
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	202104221	15:17	TEXAS BANK AND TRUST	1623 E BROADWAY BROADWAY
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202104222	16:20		538 NORTH NORTH ST
	FIRE DEPT	202104223	16:56		PHILLIPS SPRINGS PHILLIPS SPRINGS RD
	ASSIST	202104224	17:06		526 W MELBA MELBA
	DEADLY CONDUCT	202104225	18:57		508 W MARSHALL MARSHALL
	ALARM/OTHER	202104226	19:49	LEDBETTER CHIROPRACTIC	404 W UPSHUR UPSHUR
	ASSIST	202104227	20:21		14449 TX 155 TX 155
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	202104228	20:29		1102 E SHEPHERD SHEPHERD DR
	ANIMAL CONTROL	202104229	20:53		405 PHILLIPS PHILLIPS DR
	EMS	202104230	20:58		519 MARIGOLD MARIGOLD ST
	ROBBERY	202104231	23:20		300 MAPLE MAPLE AVE
7/26/21	MISCELLANEOUS	202104232	5:09		402 W MARSHALL MARSHALL
	MISCELLANEOUS	202104233	6:16		2805 RAMPY RAMPY AVE
	ALARM/OTHER	202104234	6:33	GLADEWATER HIGH SCHOOL	2201 W GAY GAY
	EMS	202104235	7:24		1008 CHEVY CHASE CHEVY CHASE
	EMS	202104236	7:37		1008 CHEVY CHASE CHEVY CHASE
	EMS	202104237	9:42		1615 SHELLCAMP SHELLCAMP
	DISTURBANCE-RESIDENCE	202104238	11:04		906 MARY MARY
	EMS	202104239	11:37		700 MARTHA MARTHA
	ALARM/OTHER	202104240	11:41		3013 EAST LAKE EAST LAKE
	ASSIST	202104241	12:04	ECONOMY INN	701 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	EMS	202104242	14:20		1515 SHELLCAMP SHELLCAMP
	EMS	202104243	15:29	LEGEND OAKS NURSING HOME	1201 FM 2685 FM 2685
	MISCELLANEOUS	202104244	16:16		MELBA MELBA
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	202104245	16:54	WILD WEST HAIR SALON	2001 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	202104246	16:57		505 POST POST
	ANIMAL CONTROL	202104247	17:22		115 BARETTA BARETTA RD
	EMS	202104248	18:17		48 JULIA WOODS JULIA WOODS
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	202104249	19:07		1515 SHELL CAMP SHELL CAMP RD
	ABANDONED 911	202104250	19:23		59 JULIA WOODS JULIA WOODS
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202104251	20:09	REGENCY INN & SUITE	1009 E BROADWAY BROADWAY
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202104252	21:22		808 N TENERY TENERY
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202104253	21:38	LAKE GLADEWATER	1602 LAKESHORE LAKESHORE DR
	EMS	202104254	23:12		700 MARTHA MARTHA ST
	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	202104255	23:24	CEFCO #79	1109 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
7/27/21	ALARM/OTHER	202104256	0:02	SUPER STOP EXXON	601 N MAIN MAIN ST
	ALARM/OTHER	202104257	2:50	GARNER'S SERVICE CENTER	808 S TYLER TYLER
	ASSIST	202104258	8:23	HURLEY HURLEY	LOOP 485 LOOP 485
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	ALARM/OTHER	202104263	14:29	SENTINEL GARDENS	1105 E PACIFIC PACIFIC AVE
	ESCORT	202104264	14:39	CROLEY FUNERAL HOME	401 N CENTER CENTER ST
	ASSIST	202104265	17:34	GLADEWATER POLICE DEPARTMENT	511 S TYLER TYLER RD
	ABANDONED 911	202104266	17:41		302 N LEE LEE
	EMS	202104268	18:29	GARDENS OF GLADEWATER	108 N LEE LEE ST
	EMS	202104270	20:17		801 N GARY GARY
	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	202104271	21:23		1005 E PACIFIC PACIFIC AVE
	MISCELLANEOUS	202104272	22:14		1101 E SHEPHERD SHEPHERD DR
7/28/21	ABANDONED 911	202104273	1:30	GLADEWATER POLICE DEPARTMENT	511 S TYLER TYLER RD
	ALARM/OTHER	202104274	2:53	SUPER STOP LAUNDRY	603 N MAIN MAIN ST
	ALARM/OTHER	202104275	3:42	SUPER STOP EXXON	601 N MAIN MAIN ST
	MISCELLANEOUS	202104276	6:45		2307 W GAY AVE GAY AVE
	CRIM MIS	202104277	9:34		1117 RICKS RICKS CIR
	10-50 MINOR	202104279	13:10	TEXAS TRADITIONS	607 E BROADWAY BROADWAY
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202104280	13:25		800 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	ALARM/OTHER	202104281	13:33	GLADEWATER HIGH SCHOOL	2201 W GAY GAY AVE
	ASSIST	202104282	13:37		E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	10-50 MINOR	202104283	13:53	MIKE'S MINI MART	1324 W UPSHUR UPSHUR AVE
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202104284	16:10	WELDON HOMES	55 EDDY EDDY ST
	10-50 MINOR	202104287	16:57	SONIC DRIVE-IN	1103 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	EMS	202104288	18:03		801 N GARY GARY
	MISCELLANEOUS	202104289	18:15		2405 WOODBINE WOODBINE
	ALARM/OTHER	202104290	22:35		314 SAUNDER SAUNDER ST
	FIRE DEPT	202104291	23:02		1806 OLD HWY 80 OLD HWY 80
	EMS	202104292	23:25		501 EDDY EDDY
	ABANDONED 911	202104293	23:26		808 GAY GAY
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	202104294	23:51	CEFCO #79	1109 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
7/29/21	ALARM/OTHER	202104295	0:39	SUPER STOP EXXON	601 N MAIN MAIN ST
	MISCELLANEOUS	202104296	1:07		RODEO RODEO
	MISCELLANEOUS	202104297	5:55		716 CANFIELD CANFIELD
	ANIMAL CONTROL	202104298	7:47	LAKE GLADEWATER	1602 LAKESHORE LAKESHORE DR
	EMS	202104299	8:33	SENTINEL GARDENS	300 MONEY MONEY ST
	ASSIST	202104300	8:55		105 COTTON COTTON
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Upshur commissioners approve raises for county employees

By Phillip Williams

Upshur County Commissioners Court on Friday approved a \$1,000 pay raise for most salaried non-elected county employees, higher raises for certain employees of the sheriff's office, and approved retaining a previously-approved increase in the county's match for workers' retirement contributions.

In a separate vote, the court approved using federal funds to give "premium pay" of up to \$4,500 each to county employees and "essential workers" who served during the COVID-19 health emergency. The funding comes from the American Rescue Plan Act.

The court also approved keeping its recent decision to increase the county's match on retirement from the current 1 to 1 up to 1 to 1.5.

In a marathon meeting, which resumed in the afternoon after a lunch break, Precinct 1 Commissioner Gene Dolle was initially unable to muster a second for his motion to grant all pay hikes which Sheriff Larry Webb had sought for personnel in both his criminal investigation division and the county jail.

After lunch, however, the court unanimously approved salary increases for all but five workers who Webb proposed receive them. The court could still act on those five, and after the meeting, Webb said, "I am very happy with the court's decision on what they did today."

The sheriff has said he proposed the raises to be able to compete with other, higher-paying law enforcement agencies in retaining personnel, and because the current salary structure has some workers being paid more than their supervisors.

The court approved annual salary hikes of more than \$5,300 each for 13 patrol deputies, a civil deputy and eight school resource officers, and raises of more than \$1,270 each for a Criminal Investigations Division sergeant, a CID investigator and a patrol sergeant.

Not approved were requested increases for CID Chief Deputy David Hazel, jail Chief Deputy James Grunden, jail Lt. Vanessa Ferguson, CID Lt. Gary Shirley, and patrol Lt. Chase Mullins. The court could, however, reconsider those before finalizing the county budget for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Webb, who did not seek a pay raise for himself, had outlined at length at a recent court meeting his proposals for upgrading certain personnel's salaries. He proposed salary increases for everyone in the law enforcement division and two jail workers.

On Friday, he told the court "I think you have a historic opportunity today" to act on his "good, solid plan" without raising taxes, and he praised County Auditor Connie Williams for working with him.

Williams told commissioners the county must cover the total cost of Webb's proposed pay increases, which would be \$184,800 for one year. She added, however, that part of that could be recouped by renegotiating the county's contracts with certain school districts to provide school resource officers, and by using \$99,000 which had been designated for leasing vehicles for the sheriff's office.

At one point, Webb said that all but \$37,000 of the needed money could be recouped. "That is a no-brainer," the sheriff argued.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Jay W. Miller said, however, that "as much flak as I've been getting" from the public over county-maintained roads' conditions, he was not for taking money from the Road and Bridge Department budget to finance the sheriff's proposed raises. Miller said he was receiving 10 calls weekly about roads.

At one point, Williams said some of the additional \$700,000 the court previously allocated from its surplus funds to Road and Bridge, and for purchasing constable vehicles, would be used for the sheriff's office instead if that office's raises were approved. She noted, however, that R&B would receive federal funds for storm water mitigation on roads.

Webb told Miller that "I understand" his point, but that the proposed salary hikes will help "me to retain officers." He said his patrol deputies earned barely above \$34,000 annually, and they could make up to \$11,000 more elsewhere.

When County Judge Todd Tefteller pointed out that county workers receive health care benefits which would cost them \$4,800 elsewhere, Webb said his workers were nonetheless leaving to work for larger municipalities (for better pay) and that he was losing an 11-year veteran of his department.

"I don't want to work in a crisis mode like we are (doing) with (the) Road and Bridge (Department)," the sheriff said.

Dolle, referring to the need for high-quality personnel in the sheriff's office, asked his fellow court members if they wanted a deputy walking around who didn't know what to do in a shootout at their home.

Webb then pointed out that patrol deputies were "getting shot at" in a recent incident which began at a Gilmer convenience store and

continued in a rural area (a deputy was shot, but survived.) The sheriff said "it's an embarrassment to me" to ask such deputies to work for the current \$34,000 salary, and told the court, "I'm just asking you to give me a chance" to improve matters.

Tefteller responded that "to lose experienced investigators" concerned him, but Precinct 3 Commissioner Mike Ashley said that while he was "very much for law enforcement," he was "not in favor of leaving everybody else (other county workers) behind" without a pay hike.

At another point, Ashley said Upshur County was "far behind" other comparable-sized counties in personnel's salaries.

Webb said he agreed everybody was underpaid, "but we've got to take a step somewhere," adding "If I cannot fill these positions, what am I supposed to do?"

After citizen Ron Cook praised Webb and said the sheriff needed help, Williams said the matter being addressed was "trying to compete for new employees."

She said it was harder to replace someone in the sheriff's office than in hers.

After lunch, Tefteller said he believed the court might re-visit the proposal for the sheriff's office, and the court unanimously approved

the pay hikes after Miller noted, "I said I was willing to compromise."

In another major action Friday, the court conditionally approved hiring Melissa Laurent as a federally-funded veterans service officer to serve one day weekly if a federal grant funds the post.

Also Friday, the court approved letting Upshur County 4-H use the courthouse lawn to host the "4-H Kickoff" Sept. 4.

In other business, the court: --approved seeking bids on the following materials for the Road and Bridge Department: iron ore gravel, common base, limestone flex base, select fill dirt and culverts.

--filing the proposed county budget for the 2021-22 fiscal year in County Clerk Terri Ross' office by Aug. 13.

--re-appointed Bridget Fowler to another two-year term on the Community Healthcare board of trustees, effective Sept. 1, 2021 to Aug. 31, 2023.

--approved recording the plat for Eagle Lake Estates.

--recognized some 4-H Club members for completing their record books.

The meeting agenda also included possibly appointing members to the advisory Upshur County Road Committee, but Tefteller skipped the item, saying "I ain't in the mood today" to deal with that issue.

State Sales Tax Revenue totaled \$3.4 Billion in July

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar today said state sales tax revenue totaled \$3.39 billion in July, 13.5 percent more than in July 2020. The majority of July sales tax revenue is based on sales made in June and remitted to the agency in July.


"July state sales tax collections again strongly surpassed both year-ago and pre-pandemic levels, with continued vigorous growth from non-retail sectors," Hegar said. "The sharpest increase from a year ago was in receipts from oil and gas mining, as the higher crude oil prices of recent months support increased drilling activity, albeit still well below the pre-pandemic pace."

"But receipts from retail trade sectors continue to be the most highly elevated, as resurgent consumer spending following the lifting of pandemic-related restrictions and supported by increasing employment, federal income support policies and low interest rates does not appear to have begun to slow. Within retail trade, the greatest growth in receipts from a year ago was from clothing and clothing accessories stores and electronics and appliance stores – retailers especially hard hit by the pandemic. While receipts from sectors that had increased


sales following the onset of the pandemic – food and beverage stores, furniture and home furnishings stores, and sporting goods and hobby stores – had no growth compared to a year ago, receipts remain strongly above pre-pandemic levels. And receipts from other retail sectors that grew strongly last year – big box and online general merchandisers and building materials stores – continued to have robust growth."

Year-over-year increases for most tax revenues continue to be affected by base effects: year-ago revenue collections to which this year's collections are compared were suppressed by the pandemic. Year-over-year growth in July sales tax collections, however, is not attributable to such base effects, as sales tax revenue was surprisingly strong in July 2020. Compared to July 2019, sales tax collections were up 18.4 percent.

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in July 2021 was up 20.2 percent compared to the same period a year ago and 13.9 percent compared to 2019. Sales tax is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 59 percent of all tax collections.



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August 4, 2021
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Texas Department of State Health Services

- > Pfizer, Moderna, and J&J will be available.
- > All 3 vaccines are authorized for people 18 years old and older.
- > The Pfizer vaccine is authorized for people 12 years old and older.
- > Moderna and Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines both require two doses.
- > Mild side effects are normal signs your body is building protection, and they usually go away after a few days. Severe reactions from the vaccine are rare. To be safe, your provider will have you wait on-site for 15-30 minutes after your shot. There's no evidence that the vaccines cause long-term health problems.

<https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/>

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- Evidence suggests that the COVID-19 vaccines presently authorized in the United States offer protection against known emerging variants, including the Delta variant, particularly against hospitalization and death.

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Texas Hemp Growers hosting free field day

The Texas Hemp Growers Association will be hosting the 2021 Texas Hemp Row-Crop Field Day, August 26th, 2021, at the Bingham Vineyards and Winery in Meadow Texas.

This event is free for farmers, agribusinesses, and ag educators and will provide education and information about the benefits of growing hemp. They will be highlighting the uses of hemp for feed, food and fiber. Tickets for the general public are available for purchase.

The event will include guest speakers, such as Senator Charles Perry, Dr. Calvin Trostle, Texas Agrilife Hemp Specialist, Dr. Noureddine Abidi, Texas Tech Fiber and Biopolymer Institute, experienced Texas hemp farmers, hemp farmers from other states, processing tour, wine tasting, food trucks, live music, hemp vodka and hemp beer tastings, and much more.

The event is from 3-8 p.m., Thursday, August 26th at Bingham Vineyards and Winery, 645 HWY 303 Meadow, Texas.

The Texas Hemp Growers Association exists to leverage producer influence on the emerging hemp industry in Texas from seed to sale through supporting the development of infrastructure, connecting growers to resources and markets, and engaging governments and businesses in the promotion of industrial hemp as a valuable resource. THGA provides resources and practical expertise so farmers can make educated decisions regarding hemp production.

THGA is working diligently to ensure that the livelihood of farmers is at the forefront of all discussions regarding hemp in Texas. – Mason Becker | Board Member

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- CHILD'S SOCIAL SECURITY CARD
- CURRENT IMMUNIZATION RECORD
- PROOF OF RESIDENCE (ELECTRIC, WATER GAS, OR LEASE AGREEMENT)
- PARENT/GUARDIAN DRIVER'S LICENSE

For Students RETURNING to Gladewater Primary

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Please send proof of residency to registration@gladewaterisd.com

- ✓ **HEADSTART STUDENTS MUST BE 3 BY SEPT 1, 2021**
- ✓ **HEADSTART AND PRE-K STUDENTS MUST QUALIFY!**
- ✓ **KINDER STUDENTS MUST BE 5 BY SEPT 1, 2021**

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AUG 4, 2021-AUG 10, 2021
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Simple tips to conserve water during Texas summers

By Todd Danielson

Summertime calls for frequent and substantial uses of water to keep ourselves, our food and our lawns healthy. According to the Texas Water Development Board, the largest use of water is for irrigation, making up 59% of the state's total water use. Conserving water today will save you money on water and wastewater bills, reduce the cost of building new water and wastewater infrastructure and leave more water in rivers and lakes for you to enjoy.

Despite the heat of Texas summers, there are simple ways to conserve when you're watering the lawn, landscaping or cooling off in the pool.

Watering the Lawn

To lessen the amount of water evaporating from your lawn, water before sunrise and do not water when it's windy. Raise your lawn mower cutting height to 3 inches. Longer grass blades help shade roots, reduce evaporation and inhibit weed growth. Set your sprinklers to water only the lawn, not the street or sidewalk, and use soaker hoses or trickle irrigation systems for trees and shrubs.

To ensure you're not watering too much, use an empty tuna can to measure the water from your sprinkler. Typical lawns need about an inch a week, so when the can fills you should stop watering. Depending upon weather and soil conditions, lawns require up to daily watering in June, July and August (so, that means about one inch spread across seven days). You can decrease watering to every second or third day in the spring and fall months, and every fifth to seventh day in the winter months.

Irrigation Systems

For those with existing irrigation systems, there are water-saving technologies that can be incorporated to help portion water use. Smart irrigation controllers, rain sensors and soil moisture sensors can control the amount of irrigation based on the season and adjust how long each zone is irrigated. Smart controllers will not irrigate if a certain amount of rain is predicted, if it is a certain temperature or if there is too much wind.

Landscaping

Cutting back on irrigation is possible through thoughtful landscaping and using fewer water features. Consider planting shade trees for lawns, such as a Live Oak, Shumard Red Oak or a Chinquapin Oak, drought tolerant shrubs and native vegetation. Trees and shrubs have deep root systems, so water these longer and less frequently than shallow-rooted plants. Place mulch around shrubs and garden plants to reduce evaporation from the soil surface and minimize weed growth.

Consider planting Bermuda grass, which can tolerate hot weather in the summer and requires less water than St. Augustine grass. Bermuda grass also requires less fertilizing—typically twice a year—which will also save on watering. Artificial turf and rock scapes are popular alternatives to the traditional grass lawn that do not require watering.

Pools and Water Features

Homeowners with swimming pools can still enjoy cooling off while conserving water. Pool covers can help reduce evaporation and the need for cleaning by keeping out dirt and debris. Cartridge pool filters help save water by eliminating the need to backwash or run water to clean out debris, and shrubs help reduce evaporation from wind. Fountains, waterfalls and other water features should be turned off when not in use.

Check for Leaks

Regularly check to make sure you don't have a leak in your yard line. Look for water on the sidewalk, water collecting in your yard and moisture accumulating on the outside walls of your home. Listen for the sound of running water inside your home, even when water is turned off—this can be a clear indicator you have a leak.

To prevent leaks, leak detectors can be installed on the line coming into your house and will learn your patterns to notify you when water is running when it's not supposed to be. To help save water, among other things, SouthWest Water Company has started transitioning its 43,000+ customer water meters which can detect leaks and automatically text customers so they can address the issue quickly.

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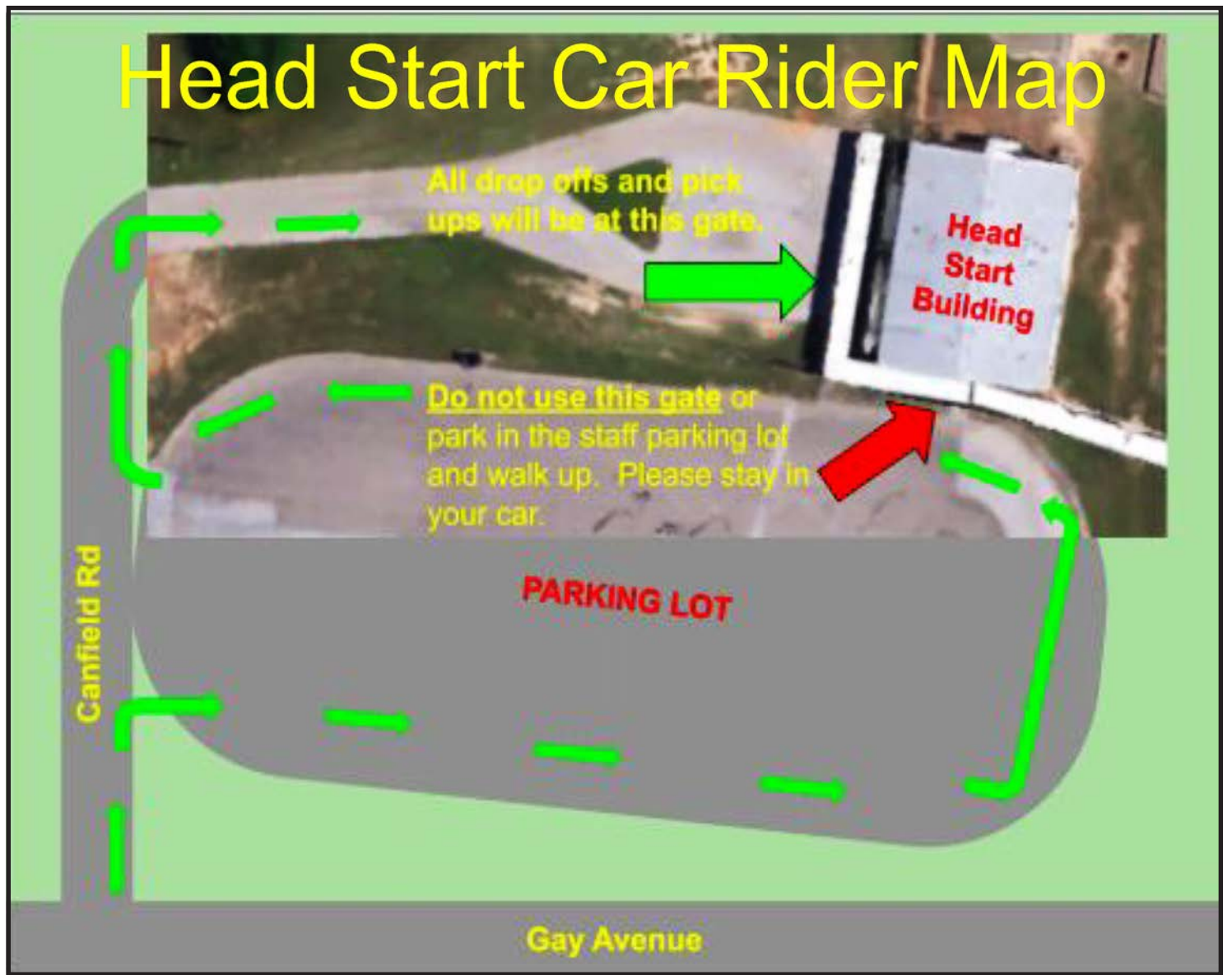
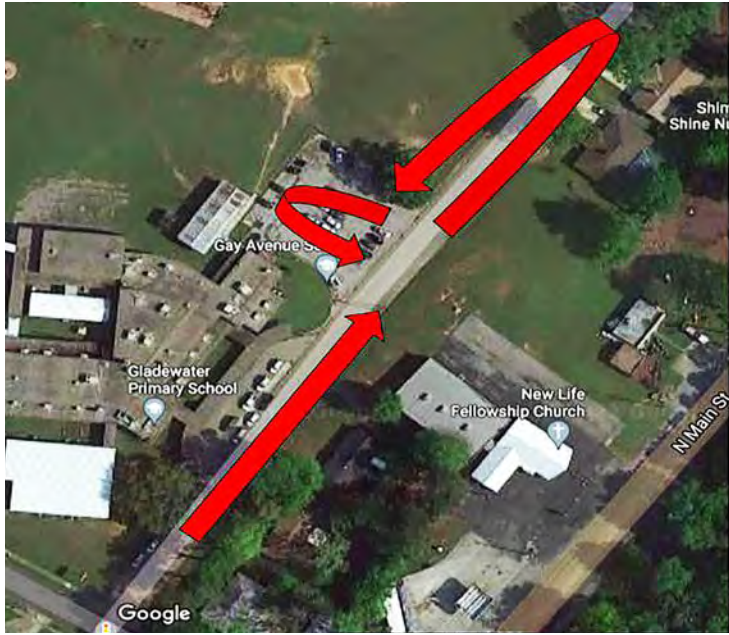
School starts August 11th.

Class assignments and teacher information will be available at Meet the Teacher, August 6th 3pm to 5pm. This will be a come and go event.

School Hours:

- Head Start 3-year-old classes 8:00 to 2:00
- Head Start 4-year-old classes 8:00 to 2:30
- Pre-K AM Class 8:00 to 11:35
- Pre-K PM Class 12:00 to 3:35
- Kindergarten and First Grade 8:00 to 3:35

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SCHOOL CALENDARS

GISD Calendar

8/4, Wednesday
Professional Development - 12:00AM - 12:00AM

8/6 Friday
8 a.m.- noon - Convocation
3-5 p.m. GHS Open House
5:30 p.m. Meet the Bears @stadium

8/11, Wednesday
First Day of School

BUS ENROLLMENT FORM

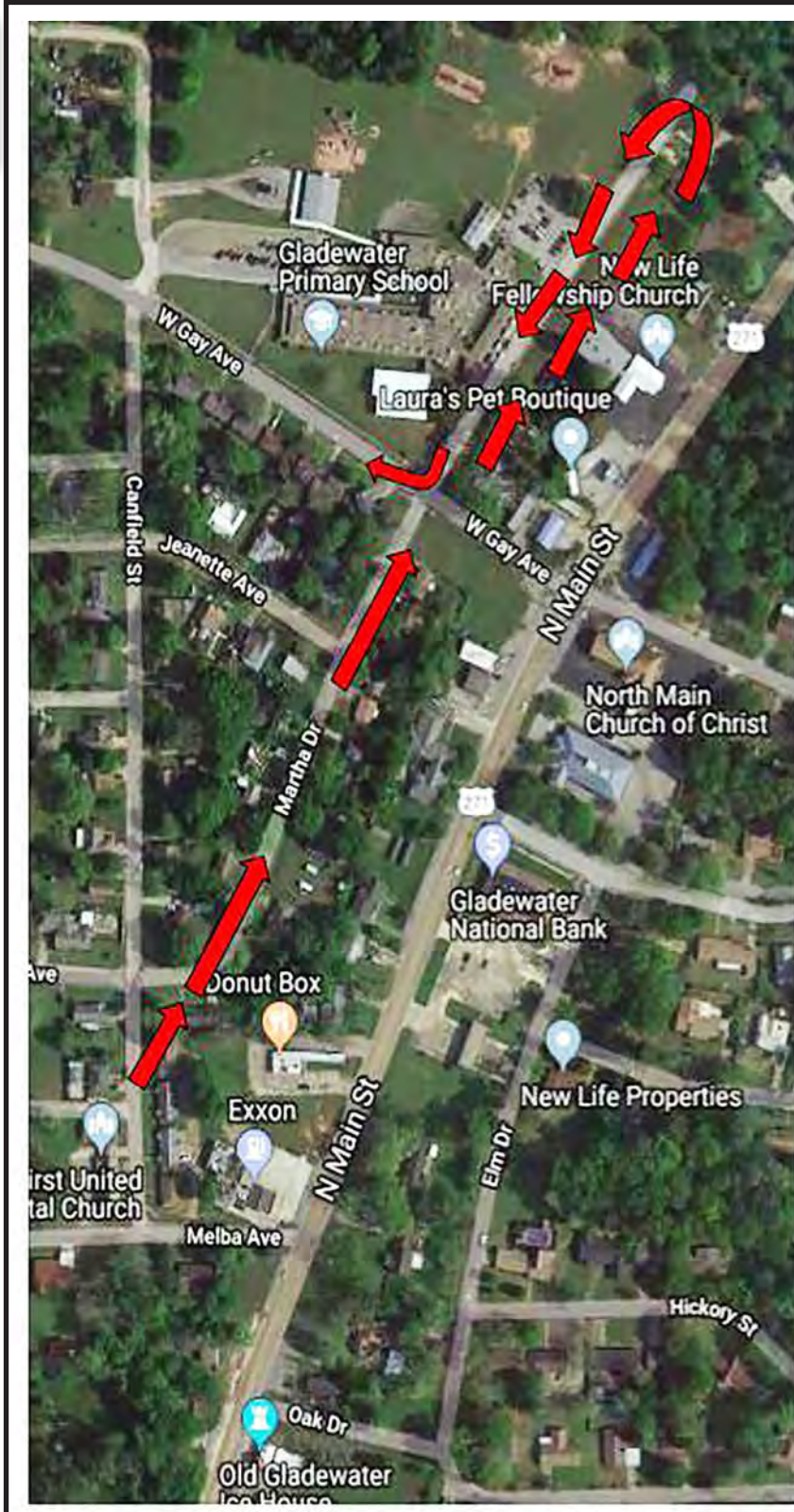
If your child will be riding the bus to/from school, please click the link to complete the short registration form for GISD transportation.
<https://forms.gle/KMgiNpH4nofnsZmCA>

UGISD Calendar

8/9-8/13
Prof. Dev./Teacher Workdays

8/12, Thursday
4-6 p.m. UG Elem. Meet the Teacher

8/13, Friday
4:30-5:30 p.m. Back-to-School Bash
UG JH/HS Campus Inflatables, face painting, snow cones
6 p.m. Meet the Lions-football stadium
7:30 p.m. UG Lions vs. Overton Mustangs scrim.



GPS Morning Car Drop-Off Procedures

To keep the line moving quickly, please have students ready, with backpacks, lunch boxes, etc.

GPS Afternoon Car Pick-Up Procedures

1. Do not get out of your car. Stay in line. Only families living within a 2 mile radius are permitted to be "walk-ups."
2. School dismisses at 3:35. If you need to check out your student earlier, please plan to do that before 3:00.
3. The car line should start on Martha St. as shown in the photo.
4. When leaving the school, turn right on Gay Ave. Do not turn left on Gay Ave. This causes traffic to back up.

Our process of getting students safely and efficiently to you will work better if everyone cooperates with these procedures.

Thank you!

Registration for students who are new to GISD

New student registration will be held on August 4, 5, 6, 9 and 10 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM each day at all GISD schools. New students must be registered in person at the campus where they will be attending.

- Gladewater Primary School - Pre-K through 1st Grade
- Weldon Elementary School - Grades 2-5
- Gladewater Middle School - Grades 6-8
- Gladewater High School - Grades 9-12

Please bring the following documents to the school office when registering your child:

- Parent/Guardian's valid drivers license or photo identification
- Student's birth certificate
- Student's Social Security card
- Student's immunization record
- Proof of residence within Gladewater ISD (at least one document from this list):
 - Utility bill (electric, gas, water) for June, July or August showing current usage
 - Current lease agreement
 - Current purchase agreement/contract/closing papers
 - Current property tax statement
- Note: To prove residency if you are living with a friend or family member within Gladewater ISD, a shared residence affidavit must be completed, notarized, and brought to registration along with a current utility bill.
- If you have any questions, you may call your child's school beginning August 3rd, 2021.



The John B. Watson family home at 1607 N. Rodeo Drive is the luscious August Yard of the Month. From a trickling fountain, bright summer plantings, hanging baskets, knock our roses and charming entry accents this home is a feast for the senses and an inspiration to other community gardeners. Photo By Suzanne Bardwell

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