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Nick Foster not speaking third term on council
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater City Council has elected Nick Foster to a second term on the council. Foster, who has served on the council since 2017, was re-elected to a second term on the council. Foster will serve on the council until the next election in 2023. Foster is the only council member who has not served a third term on the council.

Drug arrests reported by Upshur SO
By Staff Writer
The Upshur County Sheriff's Office reported several drug arrests in the county. The arrests include possession of marijuana, possession of cocaine, and possession of prescription drugs. The arrests were made by the Upshur County Sheriff's Office and the Gladewater Police Department.

Floyd named GHS Principal
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater Education Foundation has named David Floyd as the principal of Gladewater High School. Floyd has been working at the school for several years and has a master's degree in education. Floyd will be starting his new position in the fall of 2022.

Upshur wants vaccines for rural areas
By Staff Writer
The Upshur County Health Department is seeking volunteers to help with the distribution of COVID-19 vaccines in rural areas. The health department is looking for people who live in rural areas and are willing to help with the distribution of vaccines. The health department is offering a stipend to volunteers who help with the distribution of vaccines.

Why Down Water was closed
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater Police Department has closed the Down Water area of the city. The police department has closed the area because of a large amount of graffiti and vandalism. The police department is looking for people who helped with the graffiti and vandalism. The police department is offering a reward for information that leads to the identification of the people who helped with the graffiti and vandalism.

Man arrested for shooting at Starville church
By Staff Writer
A man has been arrested for shooting at the Starville Church. The man was arrested by the Gladewater Police Department. The man was charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. The man was arrested on the day of the shooting. The man was released on bond and is scheduled to appear in court on a later date.

Miss Gladewater Rodeo entries are now open
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater Rodeo is now accepting entries for the Miss Gladewater Rodeo. The rodeo is being held in Gladewater, Texas, in the fall of 2022. The Miss Gladewater Rodeo is a contest for young women who are interested in rodeo. The contest is open to women who are 18 years of age or older and who live in the Gladewater area. The contest is open to women who are interested in rodeo and who want to represent Gladewater at the rodeo.

City council hears department quarterly reports
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater City Council has heard quarterly reports from the city departments. The reports were given by the city manager and the heads of the city departments. The reports included information about the city's budget, the city's operations, and the city's progress in addressing the city's problems. The city council will be meeting again on a later date to discuss the reports and to make decisions about the city's future.

Chief Smith given a farewell salute
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater Police Department has given a farewell salute to Chief Smith. Chief Smith has been the chief of the police department for several years. Chief Smith has been a dedicated and hardworking leader. The police department is grateful for Chief Smith's service and wishes him well in his future endeavors. The farewell salute was held at a ceremony at the police department.

More vaccine soon
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater Health Department is expecting more COVID-19 vaccines soon. The health department is currently administering COVID-19 vaccines to the community. The health department is expecting more vaccines to arrive in the next few weeks. The health department is encouraging the community to get vaccinated as soon as possible.

Day of Service
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater community has participated in a Day of Service. The day of service was held on a Saturday in the fall of 2021. The day of service was a day of volunteerism and community service. The day of service was held at the Gladewater High School. The day of service was a success and the community is grateful for the volunteers who participated in the day of service.

Bedair, Smith, Walbridge named All-State Musicians
By Staff Writer
Three Gladewater students have been named All-State Musicians. The students are Bedair, Smith, and Walbridge. The students were named All-State Musicians for their performance in the state music competition. The students are proud of their achievement and are grateful for the support of their teachers and family. The students will be performing at the state music competition in the fall of 2022.



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GFD Chief leaving for SC ED 2 job
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater Fire Department has announced that the chief will be leaving for a job in South Carolina. The chief has been the chief of the fire department for several years. The chief is a dedicated and hardworking leader. The fire department is grateful for the chief's service and wishes him well in his new job. The chief will be leaving the fire department in the fall of 2022.

City council, school board filing deadline
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater City Council and the Gladewater School Board have a filing deadline for the fall of 2022. The filing deadline is for the filing of the council members' and school board members' reports. The filing deadline is on a date to be determined. The council members and school board members are encouraged to file their reports on time.

City thaws, water service restored
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater City has thawed and water service has been restored. The city had experienced a power outage that caused the water service to be interrupted. The city has now thawed and water service has been restored. The city is grateful for the support of the community during the outage. The city is encouraging the community to continue to support the city's efforts to improve the city's services.

Chatman's success faith driven
By Staff Writer
A Gladewater student has achieved success in a competition. The student is Chatman. Chatman's success was faith-driven. Chatman is a dedicated and hardworking student. Chatman's success is a result of his hard work and dedication. Chatman is proud of his achievement and is grateful for the support of his teachers and family. Chatman will be competing in the competition in the fall of 2022.

Restoring the red bricks
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater community is working on restoring the red bricks of the city. The red bricks are a historic landmark of the city. The community is working on restoring the red bricks to their original color. The community is grateful for the support of the community during the restoration. The community is encouraging the community to continue to support the city's efforts to improve the city's services.

Two killed, teen arrested
By Staff Writer
Two people were killed and a teen was arrested in a shooting. The shooting occurred in the Gladewater area. The two people who were killed were a man and a woman. The teen who was arrested was charged with the shooting. The police department is investigating the shooting and is looking for more information. The police department is offering a reward for information that leads to the identification of the people who helped with the shooting.

Fallout from storm rocks state
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater community is still recovering from the fallout of a storm. The storm caused significant damage to the community. The community is still recovering from the damage. The community is grateful for the support of the community during the recovery. The community is encouraging the community to continue to support the city's efforts to improve the city's services.

Yam Queen pageant this weekend
By Staff Writer
The Gladewater community is hosting a Yam Queen pageant this weekend. The pageant is a fun and exciting event. The pageant is open to all young women who are interested in pageantry. The pageant is being held at the Gladewater High School. The pageant is a success and the community is grateful for the support of the community during the pageant.

Gladewater EFG grants elevate classroom curriculum

By Suzanne Bardwell
The Education Foundation of Gladewater's grants have been primarily funded through the two annual auctions that have been held. The 2020 auction raised approximately \$30,000 with a huge \$50,000 leap in 2021. The EFG's mission is to support instructional innovation and creativity in the classroom by funding educational grants submitted by Gladewater ISD faculty and staff.

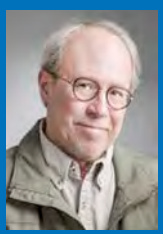
goal is to work in partnership with GISD and the community to create a premier school district. Honorariums and memorials are also a dedicated method of donation. To learn more about the foundation go to: www.educationfoundationgladewater.org/giving or email: efgladewater@yahoo.com. EFG Board members are President Jesse Hawkins, Vice President/Event Chair Katie Ellis, Secretary Cori Arvelo, Treasurer Todd Clifton, Parliamentarian Cathy Shipp, and members Lois Reed, Christian Allen, Mandy Wood, Suzanne Bardwell, Lynn Ann Williams, Margie Collins, Darren Richardson, Jon Keller, Mark Carpenter, John Ussery, Scott Owens, Sam Cloud, Frankie Alexander, Jamie Cook and Sedric Clark, ex officio member.



Weldon Elementary music teacher A.J. Meals was awarded an \$871.94 grant for his "Music to My Ears" project. Education Foundation of Gladewater members presenting the check were Katie Ellis, Jesse Hawkins, Todd Clifton, Lois Reed and Mandy Wood. Courtesy Photo (See more photos inside)

OPINION/EDITORIAL

Gary Borders Capital Highlights



...from dark to spark

I want to write a 'feel good' column about that post-Christmas glow we should all have, but it is hard to do. So let's just deal with the nitty gritty. Many of you are in a dark place. And if you aren't now, you have been, or will be, struggling with the holidays.

When we were children Christmas was magical. When we were young families and striving to please, we juggled holidays with stress and anticipation. Now we juggle time. And often we find there just isn't enough...never enough.

This Christmas my daughter-in-heart experienced her first without her much loved Dad who died from COVID a few months ago. Her Mom and sister joined us for our family Christmas Eve dinner and presents, but Jim's parents were ill and couldn't come. There was sadness all the way around with everyone doing the best they could.

On Christmas Day my sweetheart, our son and I took dinner and gifts to Jim's folks and tried to stir the embers of Christmas spirit. Then I packed to head to West Texas at the crack of dawn on Sunday to see my Mom, my brother and his family. My sister-in-law and brother now have their time consumed with caring for Mom who at 94 is just flat worn out.

For the first time, for the first Christmas in my life, I didn't see that 'glow' in many of the people I love. I did my best to stir the Christmas coals with special gifts. Everyone in my family makes fun of my abundance of sometimes unusual gifts selected very carefully for each person. Instead of gifts, if I could open Santa's magic bag and pass out miracles, it would be for healing of hearts and bodies, clarity of thought, and joy once more...and most of all time. The one thing we are so very good at letting slip away from us.

My Christmas spirit is fueled by memories of Christmases across the years of my life. This year a new memory of a special gift from my sweetheart fed that spirit. It wasn't the fact that he replaced my favorite Disney purse that touched my heart. I had given that much loved purse to a 6-year old because her mother said she would love it. And before you think too highly of my sacrifice, I have to admit it had become a bit worn.

This purse which is no longer sold in stores, somehow, some way through the magic of Santa's World Wide Web, my elf honey found one that was new. Shiny tears trailed down my face when I opened

Suzanne Bardwell



the gift. Not because my favorite purse was replaced, but because it took great effort to do so. And that dear readers and neighbors is at the heart of Christmas...gifts of love require effort, time and sometimes sacrifice.

I am writing this after driving seven and a half hours to celebrate Christmas once again with my Mom. Bless her precious heart, she thought Jim and our son and daughter-in-heart would be with me. She thought the whole family would be together like we used to be. The truth I live by is that we are...together...even when there are empty chairs at the table. We are bound together forever by love. Love is indeed the 'tie that binds'.

It is a tie that runs from a manger to a Cross through generations. Sometimes we need to remember that our hearts only break where there is great love. That great love will also heal and fill us. It will take the tiny spark of the Christmas glow and build it into a fire filled with memories of joy and the desire to create new memories, sometimes very different from those of our much loved past.

So, whether you are nursing a spark, basking in the glow, or simply struggling to get through and past the holidays, know that you are stronger than you think. You are a miracle meant to share the gift of you with those around you.

Every Christmas, Brian Odom, a former student of mine who was my 2010 high school yearbook editor sends me a text that reads: "You can only take with you that which you have given away". The quote is from my favorite movie, "It's a Wonderful Life". A simple text, a gift, that I have received for the last 11 years. The first time was three weeks before losing my John Wayne of a Dad. Each year that quote has touched my heart in a different way, but I always embrace the fact that this life is meant for living, giving, laughter, love and joy...and sadness? Well, that is often just a reflection of what has come before which was so very wonderful.

Capital Highlights Week of Dec. 27 - 31

State steps up DUI enforcement during holidays
The Texas Department of Transportation has kicked off its statewide "Drive Sober. No Regrets" drunk driving prevention program for the holidays. Throughout the month, TxDOT has released videos of people who deal with the daily consequences of driving while impaired, either as an offender or survivor.

The stories and facts about drunk driving can be found at Sober-Rides.org.

"It is our hope that these moving, first-hand accounts will encourage all of us to make the right choice and not ever drive after drinking or doing anything that can alter our judgment," said TxDOT Executive Director Marc Williams. "We don't want to turn a happy time of year into one that could be marked by tragic loss caused by someone's poor decision to drink and drive."

During the December holiday season last year, there were 2,462 DUI-alcohol related traffic accidents, killing 93 people and seriously injuring 215.

Texas to distribute additional \$123.3 million in ed funding

The state will invest an additional \$123.3 million in federal funds provided through pandemic relief legislation.

"The state of Texas remains committed to students and their success in our education systems — that includes ensuring parents have an option to send their kids to a high-quality charter school and providing direct support to families with children who have special needs," Gov. Greg Abbott said.

This final round of funding includes money for students with severe cognitive disabilities; charter school grants; financial aid for nursing students; short-term credential training for front-line health care workers; initiatives to improve student enrollment and retention; financial aid programs for higher education; cybersecurity enhancement; and aid for those seeking commercial driver license training.

"For some of our most at-risk students, this significant new round of funding will prioritize getting families across Texas direct access to special education and other targeted supplemental services to support their children's varied educational needs," said Mike Morath, Texas education commissioner.

More funding for Operation Lone Star

The state's Public Safety Office has awarded an additional \$38.4 million in funding to cities and counties along the Texas-Mexico border for law enforcement efforts. That amount doubles the funding provided for those counties since last March.

The funding is for specialized law enforcement equipment, labor costs including overtime, construction of additional communication towers and increased jail capacity and travel costs for law enforcement personnel from non-border counties that provide assistance.

"This additional funding will strengthen our response to the border crisis and ensure our law enforcement and local partners have the resources they need to keep our communities safe in the federal government's absence," Abbott said.

COVID-19 cases spike; omicron variant spreads

As Texans continue to navigate life during a nearly two-year pandemic, the number of new cases of COVID-19 rose during the past week to 51,479, an increase of 41% from the previous week, according to the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University. The number of new deaths dropped to 266, a decrease of 44%, however. Researchers have said that while the omicron variant is more contagious than the delta variant that sparked the last wave, its symptoms thus far are not as severe.

The number of lab-confirmed hospitalizations of COVID-19 patients stayed at about the same level as the previous week, with 3,376 reported by the Texas Department of State Health Services.

The number of Texans who are fully vaccinated stood at 16.36 million as of Sunday, which is 56.1% of the state's population. In addition, 4.35 million of the state's residents have received an additional dose, according to DSHS.

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THE ECONOMIST

By Dr. M. Ray Perryman

Getting Ahead ...

The latest jobs report for Texas is replete with good news. November data shows strength across the economy and a new record for total state employment. In less than two years, Texas has completely overcome the devastating loss of about 1.5 million jobs that occurred in early 2020.

For November, Texas added 75,100 jobs, the eighteenth gain in the last 19 months, and the unemployment rate has dropped to 5.2%. There are now almost 13.0 million nonagricultural jobs in the state. Topping pre-pandemic employment levels this quickly is quite impressive.

One noteworthy aspect of the increase is that it represents nearly 36% of the national gain for the month (210,000 net new jobs). Other significant increases occurred in Florida (up 51,100) and California (45,700).

It is also notable that every major industry group expanded during the month. In the past, we've seen periods where gains in some segments of the econo-

my were offset by drops in others. The COVID-19 uncertainty and measures required to slow the spread caused extreme volatility in sectors such as travel, retail, and energy. There were times when the state added jobs in retail, while core groups such as manufacturing or construction retrenched. In November, expansion emerged across the board.

Additionally, this very positive report comes just as the energy sector is beginning to ramp up. Employment in mining and logging (which is virtually all oil- and gas-related in Texas) was up 3,700 for the month. When you consider all of the linkages across the state, energy accounts for 13-14% of business

activity in normal times. As recovery continues with additional rigs added every week (275 as of December 17), the positive patterns in the industry should lead to additional gains across a broad spectrum of businesses and communities.

There are still risks to reckon with, both short-term and long-term. A major surge in serious COVID-19 cases could certainly slow progress (a particular vulnerability as the spread of the omicron variant accelerates), and the lingering supply chain issues will dampen growth in specific industries at times. Long-term Texas challenges include ensuring an adequate workforce for the future through enhancing

educational quality and access, providing adequate infrastructure, and assuring inclusiveness.

On balance, however, the state is well positioned to be among the stellar performers. The Texas economy is diverse, with a strong and varied base of production categories as well as ongoing emergence in advanced manufacturing and other technology sectors. The Lone Star State also has a favorable cost structure and premier economic development programs.

There's indeed a lot to like in the most recent jobs report. As we enter the final weeks of the year, the Texas economy is hitting on all cylinders.

Stay safe!

SEXUAL IMMORALITY

We read in 1 Cor. 6: 18: "Flee sexual immorality. Every sin a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body." Also, in Heb. 13: 4 the writer says: "Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled, but fornicators and adulterers God will judge." Sexual immorality is a unique sin that degrades one's very being, and offends God.

The prevalence of adultery, fornication, homosexuality, lesbianism, living together without marriage, pedophilia, pornography, and such like, have become descriptive of a culture that has been sucked into the vortex of sexual disorder and confusion. "Barnyard morality," or better yet, "Barnyard immorality," is slowly but surely becoming the order of the day! The abandonment of moral foundations that are clearly laid out in God's Word, is resulting in a plethora of sexually deviant actions. The result of psychological, emotional, spiritual, and physical havoc on individuals involved, and on society at large, is clearly seen. Yes, there is a high price to be paid for sexual immorality. One said: "The wicked are punished now not so much FOR their sin as they are BY their sin."

What is the remedy for the plague of sexual immorality? First Corinthians 6: 18 says FLEE! Titus 2: 11-12 says: Deny oneself or just say NO! But if you do not understand that, Joseph, is our example. When Potiphar's wife did her best to seduce him to commit adultery with her, he said: "You are his wife. How then can I do this great wickedness and sin against God?" Joseph then literally FLED! (Gen. 39). I am pleading for a return to God's moral standard: "FLEE SEXUAL IMMORALITY"! The New Testament in Modern English by J. B. Phillips says: "Avoid sexual looseness like the plague"! Think on these things.

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OBITUARIES



MARSHA GAYLE VALDETERO

Marsha Gayle Valdetero, 74, passed away December 27, 2021. She was born on January 20, 1947 in Gladewater, Texas to the late Phillip and Irene Hollifield Matlock. Marsha married Charles Robert Valdetero on December 31, 1970.

Marsha worked for the Gladewater Chamber of Commerce for many years and was involved in several of the activities that were hosted by the community of Gladewater. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

She is survived by her son and his wife, Shawn and Jane Valdetero; her daughter and her husband, Larissa and Ben Wages; her grandchildren, Bridgette Valdetero, Jakob Valdetero, Daisy Marsh, Danica Marsh, Savannah Wages and Jacob Wages; as well as her nieces and nephews.

Marsha is preceded in death by her husband, Charles Robert, as well as her parents.

Visitation is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 30, 5:30-7:30 at Croleys Funeral Home in Gladewater. Funeral services will be held on Friday, December 31, 2021, at 10 a.m. at Croley Funeral Home in Gladewater.

CHRISTOPHER JONATHAN WEAVER

Christopher Jonathan Weaver, age 46 of Emory, passed away on Wednesday, December 1, 2021, in Greenville. Christopher, known as CJ to all who knew and loved him,



was born on May 23, 1975, to Dean Henry Weaver and Arietta Eleanor Weaver at the Naval Hospital in Jacksonville, Florida. CJ grew up in and graduated from Gladewater High School, and Kilgore College. He was a

police officer who loved music, and of course, The Dallas Cowboys!

He is survived by his loving Mother, Arietta "Miss Sue" Weaver, his Sister and Brother-in-law, Tammy and Steve Parker, numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

CJ is preceded in death by his Paternal Grandparents Charles Weaver and Arlene Weaver. His Maternal Grandparents Roy Eugene Marks and Adolfin Marie Steinbrenner Marks. His father, Dean Henry Weaver, and his Brother Dean Henry "Boo" Weaver Jr.

The family will receive friends at CJ's Celebration of Life service, held Wednesday, December 29, 2021, at 5 p.m. in the BlueBryd Room in Gladewater. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider making donations to your favorite charity.



The Gladewater Garden Club held its annual Christmas luncheon last Monday at First Christian Church with entertainment by Nancy Holly accompanied by Happy Cabbage owner Phillip Phelps on piano. The event was hosted by Michelle Askew, Anja Morris, Nancy Holly, Phyllis Bethune and Janie Ballard with 24 members in attendance. An ornament exchange between members and Manna House Toy Drive donations were also a part of the celebration.

Courtesy Photo

Backpack food program needs help

Dean Hanssen director of the backpack supplemental community food program reports that for the fall semester three schools Gladewater Primary School, Weldon Elementary and Union Grove Elementary are being served.

For the fall semester 136 children have received food in their backpacks weekly for a total of 1,928 meals at a cost of \$7,448.65.

"That is just over three tons of food," Hanssen said. "In September our food cost went from \$3.65 per meal to \$4.44 per meal. We have no administrative costs, no salaries and no delivery fees."

Hanssen says that all financial donations go directly to providing food for children. Donations may be mailed to First United Methodist Church, Backpack

Program, P.O. Box 1167, Gladewater, 75647 or donations may be sent to the East Texas Food Bank, 3201 Robertson Road, Tyler, 75701 with notation on check memo space that it is to be dedicated to the Gladewater Backpack program, agency #1277b.

"We want to give special thanks to all of our teachers, counselors and volunteers who help deliver to the schools giving freely of their time to serve others," Hanssen said.

"We also appreciate your financial help in this much needed ministry. We pray for God's blessings during this Christmas time for you and your families, for our great volunteers and especially the kids and their families that we serve."

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Year in Review

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Gov. lifts mask mandate
What does that mean for you?
Starting with the Texas Department of Health Services, Gov. Greg Abbott has lifted the statewide mask mandate that took effect in September 2020.

Sen. Hughes files 'Freedom From Censorship Act'
House Bill 1927, introduced by Sen. Dan Claitor, would prohibit any federal agency from censoring or restricting the content of any communication.

UT Health East Texas opens more COVID-19 vaccine appointments
UT Health East Texas has announced that it has opened more COVID-19 vaccine appointments for its patients.

Shepherd market re-dedicated Saturday
The Gladewater Chamber of Commerce and the Gladewater Farmers Market Association have re-dedicated the market.

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Mrs. Lee's Garden is closed for the season.

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East Texas Regional Airport to receive \$1M in COVID Relief Funds
The East Texas Regional Airport is set to receive \$1 million in COVID relief funds.

City trash pick-up change
The city has announced a change in its trash pick-up schedule.

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Sales tax revenue down
Sales tax revenue has decreased for the year.

Tumbleweed Smith featured speaker at chamber banquet
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Chamber honors citizens, businesses of the year
The chamber has honored its citizens and businesses of the year.

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Special election set for May 1
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Native son Sheppard celebrated with state marker rededication
A native son was celebrated with a state marker rededication.

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Lee Library damage assessed
The Lee Library has had its damage assessed.

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Analysis: Texas Legislature starts biennial race against clock
An analysis of the Texas Legislature's biennial race against the clock.

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National Day of Prayer
National Day of Prayer is being celebrated.

Voters approve EDC propositions, elect Robertson to Place 4
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Bid 2021 Adieu With a First Day Hike in 2022

AUSTIN— Welcome 2022 with a First Day Hike at one of 89 Texas State Parks. Parks statewide will be hosting a variety of self-guided and guided events so visitors can walk, bike or paddle their way into the new year.
First Day Hikes at Texas' state parks and natural areas aim to help visitors commit to their New Year's resolutions to get healthy. Last year, 2,668 visitors ushered in 2021 by hiking, biking and riding a total of 8,173 miles statewide. Find a list of this year's First Day Hikes on the TPWD calendar page.
"Each new year brings about new opportunities and a fresh start for a new adventure," said Rodney Franklin, Director of Texas State Parks. "Many first-time park users chose state parks last year and discovered the joys of getting outdoors. We cannot wait to welcome those visitors back again in 2022. I want to invite all visitors, new and returning, to join us in beginning 2022 with a First Day Hike at your favorite Texas State Park."

Trails at Texas State Parks range in length and difficulty levels across the state. Some short, easy trails are perfect for family-friendly scenic strolls, while others are more strenuous for experienced hikers. Trail maps for all Texas State Parks can be found on the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's (TPWD) website and individual park webpages.
Anyone planning a trip to a Texas State Park is encouraged to reserve a day pass in advance since some parks are expected to reach their capacity limit. Reserve day passes online through the TPWD reservation website or by calling (512) 389-8900.
Start the year off with a splash at the 6th Annual Dino Dive from 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. at Dinosaur Valley State Park. Plungers will meet at the Rock Beach by the Main Track Site and are encouraged to bring a towel, water, change of clothes, and a costume or fun outfit. Participants must register online to receive a medal for jumping into the frigid Paluxy River. All proceeds benefit

Dinosaur Valley's Friends group.
Celebrate New Year's Eve at Fort Parker State Park with a late-night hike. The easy half-mile guided hike starts at 10:30 p.m., Dec. 31, exploring the Bur Oak Trail with black lights. The fun will continue with a "Riddle-Me-This" scavenger hunt until 12:30 a.m. Jan. 1, 2022. The night will conclude at a campfire with hot chocolate and cookies. Visitors are encouraged to bring a flashlight, wear closed-toe shoes and dress for the weather.
Put the pedal to the metal for a First Day Bike Ride at San Angelo State Park. This guided bike ride begins at 2 p.m., Jan. 1, and visitors must bring their own bike and helmet to participate. Participants enter through the South Gatehouse located at 362 South FM 2288, San Angelo, TX, 76901, then meet at the Chaparral Pavilion.
For more information about hiking or other activities in Texas State Parks, visit http://www.texasstateparks.org.

Police Activity Report

CALL DATE	CALL DESC	CFS#	CALL TIME	BUSINESS NAME	ADDRESS
12/19/21	MISCELLANEOUS	202107000	0:39		5411 SWEET GUM RD. SWEET GUM RD.
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	202107001	1:18	LAKE GLADEWATER	1602 LAKESHORE LAKESHORE DR
	RECKLESS DRIVING	202107002	3:40		HWY 80 HWY 80 E
	BURGLARY/BUILDING	202107003	7:36	CENTER STREET DAYCARE	405 S CENTER CENTER ST
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107004	10:49		1606 SHELL CAMP SHELL CAMP RD
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107005	10:56	BROOKSHIRE'S GROCERY	1300 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	ALARM/OTHER	202107006	11:59		404 S MAIN MAIN ST
	FIRE DEPT	202107007	12:23		202 S CULVER CULVER
	10-50 MAJOR	202107008	12:53		N POINT PLEASANT POINT PLEASANT
	ABANDONED 911	202107009	14:02		312 SARAH SARAH LN
	FIRE DEPT	202107010	14:14	TRUMAN SMITH CHILDREN'S CENTER	2200 W UPSHUR UPSHUR
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202107011	14:56		1624 W LAKE W LAKE
	EXTRA PATROL	202107012	16:25		3022 GEORGE RICHEY GEORGE RICHEY RD
	ABANDONED 911	202107013	17:08		60 E EDDY E EDDY
	ALARM/HUMAN ERROR	202107014	18:16		1622 W LAKE W LAKE
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107015	18:18		11500 FM 2685 FM 2685
	SIMPLE ASSAULT "C"	202107016	19:08	PIZZA HUT	1210 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	SUICIDE	202107017	19:28		2802 W UPSHUR W UPSHUR
	EMS	202107018	19:38		207 N FERRY N FERRY
	EMS	202107019	22:23		21 GARDEN LANE GARDEN LANE
	WARRANT	202107020	22:01		W GREGG GREGG
12/20/21	ABANDONED 911	202107021	2:41	ALLSTATE COATINGS	100 N LEE LEE ST
	ASSIST	202107022	3:22		509 S MAIN MAIN ST
	FIRE DEPT	202107023	7:33		532 NORTH NORTH
	EMS	202107024	7:58	TRUMAN SMITH CHILDREN'S CENTER	2200 W UPSHUR UPSHUR
	FIRE DEPT	202107025	11:03		532 NORTH NORTH
	ABANDONED VEHICLE	202107026	11:21		402 JEANETTE JEANETTE AVE
	ALARM/HUMAN ERROR	202107027	15:14		1603 N MAIN N MAIN
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107028	15:18	SENTINEL GARDENS	300 MONEY MONEY ST
	10-50 MINOR	202107029	16:30	BROOKSHIRE'S GROCERY	1300 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	EMS	202107030	18:57		1508 N IVY LEA IVY LEA ST
	THEFT	202107031	19:06		312 W OLIVER W OLIVER
	ABANDONED 911	202107032	20:21		1403 E VIOLA E VIOLA
	EXTRA PATROL	202107033	20:49		204 E EDDY EDDY ST
	ASSIST	202107034	21:32		403 W GAY W GAY
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107035	22:31	LAKE GLADEWATER	1602 LAKESHORE LAKESHORE DR
	ABANDONED 911	202107036	23:37		313 W OLIVER OLIVER AVE
12/21/21	ABANDONED 911	202107037	1:25		1708 N MAIN MAIN ST
	ASSIST	202107038	8:59	AJ'S FAST STOP EXXON	407 JOHNSON JOHNSON
	THEFT	202107039	11:14		532 NORTH NORTH
	FIRE DEPT	202107040	11:18		W UPSHUR W UPSHUR
	INCIDENT - NO REPORT	202107041	12:10		312 PACIFIC PACIFIC AVE
	ASSIST	202107042	13:57	LEE PUBLIC LIBRARY	309 N COTTON COTTON ST
	EMS	202107043	15:22	FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH	N MAIN MAIN ST
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107044	16:38		1308 N RODEO RODEO DR
	ALARM/OTHER	202107045	17:37		2103 WOODBINE WOODBINE DR
	ANIMAL CONTROL	202107046	19:58		9617 UNION GROVE UNION GROVE RD
	FALSE 9-1-1	202107047	20:26		904 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	ALARM/OTHER	202107048	22:47	DOLLAR GENERAL	414 S LOOP 485 LOOP 485
	10-50 MINOR	202107049	23:18	GLADEWATER MIDDLE SCHOOL	703 DANIEL DANIEL ST
12/22/21	ABANDONED 911	202107050	1:37		206 MELBA MELBA ST
	ASSIST	202107052	4:42		N LOOP 485 LOOP 485
	ABANDONED VEHICLE	202107053	8:57		E BROADWAY E BROADWAY
	ASSIST	202107054	9:42		135 TEXAS TEXAS ST
	ASSIST	202107055	9:44	NATUR CHEM	108 N LEE LEE ST
	EMS	202107056	10:21	GARDENS OF GLADEWATER	517 FERRY FERRY ST
	ASSIST	202107057	12:57		511 GODFREY GODFREY ST
	UNAUTHORIZED USE MOTOR VEH	202107058	13:05		511 S TYLER TYLER RD
	ASSIST	202107059	14:45	GLADEWATER POLICE DEPARTMENT	700 MELBA MELBA ST
	ALARM/OTHER	202107060	15:17	AEP SCHOOL	3601 W UPSHUR UPSHUR AVE
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	ABANDONED 911	202107062	16:00		E STATE HWY 154 STATE HWY 154
	RECKLESS DRIVING	202107063	16:29	SHIPPS MARINE SERVICE	103 E PACIFIC PACIFIC ST
	10-50 MINOR	202107064	16:33		217 W MAPLE MAPLE AVE
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	MISCELLANEOUS	202107066	17:38		37 GREENWAY VILLAGE GREENWAY VILLAGE
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	EMS	202107068	20:35		

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	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	202107071	22:37		S LOOP 485 LOOP 485
12/23/21	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202107072	0:11	RES-MOR APARTMENTS	700 W UPSHUR UPSHUR
	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	202107073	0:34		300 GAY GAY
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107075	5:30	CITY NATIONAL BANK	865 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	THEFT	202107076	7:04		303 S COOPER COOPER
	ABANDONED VEHICLE	202107077	7:43		S LOOP 485 S LOOP 485
	ALARM/OTHER	202107078	10:21	3D PLASTICS/QUANTUM PLASTICS	1085 E COMMERCE COMMERCE ST
	ASSIST	202107079	12:06		517 S FERRY FERRY ST
	EMS	202107080	12:13		2803 ELLIAH ELLIAH
	EMS	202107081	13:44		16 JULIAWOODS JULIAWOODS ST
	ASSIST	202107082	15:17		N MAIN MAIN ST
	THEFT	202107083	15:59	TRADER'S MALL	355 E PACIFIC PACIFIC
	ALARM/HUMAN ERROR	202107084	16:42		2201 W GAY W GAY
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107085	17:01		138 TEXAS TX TEXAS ST
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107086	18:20		104 N NORTH WEST NORTH WEST
	ALARM/HUMAN ERROR	202107087	18:22		501 N AMES N AMES
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107088	18:23	SENTINEL GARDENS	300 MONEY MONEY ST
	EMS	202107089	19:44		1008 CHEVY CHASE CHEVY CHASE
	EMS	202107090	21:25		1003 RICHEY RICHEY DR
	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	202107091	22:26		103 NORTH DEAN ST NORTH DEAN ST
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202107092	22:28		407 JEANETTE JEANETTE ST
	EXTRA PATROL	202107093	22:33		104 NORTH DEAN ST NORTH DEAN ST
12/24/21	ALARM/HUMAN ERROR	202107095	1:20	WARD PLAZA	501 N AMES AMES ST
	EMS	202107097	5:07		11500 FM 2685 FM 2685
	ANIMAL CONTROL	202107098	7:35		701 WHITE WHITE
	ASSIST	202107099	11:31		2013 WEST LAKE WEST LAKE DR
	ASSIST	202107100	14:58		517 S FERRY FERRY ST
	ABANDONED 911	202107101	15:04		51 GREENWAY GREENWAY VLG
	DWI	202107102	15:21	CVS PHARMACY	1402 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202107103	15:45		101 WOODLAND TRAILS WOODLAND TRAILS
	ASSIST	202107104	16:28		4300 W COMMERCE W COMMERCE
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107105	16:55		306 MAPLE MAPLE AVE
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202107106	17:07		108 LOCKER PLANT LOCKER PLANT RD
	10-50 MINOR	202107107	17:38	CEFCO #79	1109 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107108	19:02	ECONOMY INN	701 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	ALARM/HUMAN ERROR	202107109	20:19	WARD PLAZA	501 AMES AMES ST
	HARASSMENT	202107110	20:28		316 MELBA MELBA AVE
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202107111	20:36		1300 WALNUT ST WALNUT ST
	EMS	202107112	20:59		1014 MARTHA MARTHA DR
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202107113	21:18		1106 N RODEO N RODEO
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202107114	21:24		2516 W GAY W GAY
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	202107115	21:38		303 W COMMERCE W COMMERCE
	ABANDONED 911	202107116	21:39		217 SAUNDERS SAUNDERS ST
	ALARM/HUMAN ERROR	202107117	22:07	BROOKSHIRE'S GROCERY	1300 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	202107118	22:13		1107 E MARY E MARY
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202107119	23:08		69 WELDON HOMES WELDON HOMES
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	202107120	23:28	LAKE GLADEWATER	1602 LAKESHORE LAKESHORE DR
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107121	23:37		510 WOOD WOOD ST
12/25/21	ANIMAL CONTROL	202107122	0:10		N CENTER CENTER
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107123	0:12		1211 RODEO RODEO ST
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107124	1:26		102 PINE RIDGE PINE RIDGE RD
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107125	1:42		1501 VESTA VESTA AVE
	DISTURBANCE-OTHER	202107126	2:34		503 S TYLER TYLER
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	202107127	2:58	LAKE GLADEWATER	1602 LAKESHORE LAKESHORE DR
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107128	8:28		517 N FERRY N FERRY
	ABANDONED 911	202107129	8:49		
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107130	14:01	EZ MART	400 W UPSHUR UPSHUR AVE
	ANIMAL CONTROL	202107131	14:27		1105 NORTH NORTH ST
	ABANDONED 911	202107132	14:53		2206 PINECREST PINECREST ST
	MISCELLANEOUS	202107133	15:33		1210 SANDERS SANDERS ST
	EMERGENCY COMMITMENT	202107134	15:33		HURLEY HURLEY
	THEFT	202107135	15:47		302 MAPLE MAPLE ST
	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	202107136	17:56		215 E QUITMAN QUITMAN AVE
	EMS	202107138	19:28		906 E MARY MARY AVE
	FIRE DEPT	202107139	20:21		PR 3478 PR 3478
	RECKLESS DRIVING	202107140	20:40		HWY 80 HWY 80 W
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RFQs, both electronic and hard-copy, may be submitted starting Monday, January 3, 2022. The deadline for all RFQ's, both electronic and hard-copy, is 12:00 noon on Tuesday, January 18, 2022. RFQs will be opened at the GCESD No. 2 regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on January 18, 2022. The Board of Commissioners will review, score and evaluate the RFQs. The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all RFQs, or to accept any RFQ or combination of RFQs deemed advantageous to it. Please direct all questions about the RFQs and project scope to Chief Richard Sisk in writing at rsisk@greggcountyesd2.com.

Project Description: The project is construction of a new Fire Station in Gregg County Emergency Services District No. 2, including the possible incorporation of an existing building on the site. The following are preliminary requirements for the project, which are subject to change as the design process progresses: architect must understand need to meet NFPA 1500 requirements, 3-5 Fire Apparatus drive thru bays, 6 sleeping dorm rooms, 4 restrooms/showers, fitness room, conference/training room, 911 communications/dispatch center, EMS medical storage, decontamination room, offices, kitchen, and helicopter landing pad. This facility is to be fully functional 24/7, 365 days a year.

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To: **Matthew Jacob a/k/a Brent Pelky** Greetings:

You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 24th day of January, 2022, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. before the Honorable County Court at Law 2 Court of Gregg County, at the Court House in Longview, Texas. Said plaintiff's petition was filed on this the 28th day of June, 2021.

The file number of said suit being No. **2021-1127-CCL2**

The name of the parties in said suit are:
William D. Farrar, PLLC Plaintiff
and
Maverick Natural Resources, LLC, Breitburn Operating, LP and Mathew Jacob a/k/a Brent Pelky Defendants,

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:
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The name and address of the attorney for plaintiff, or the address of plaintiff is:

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Issued this the 9th day of December, 2021

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Longview, Texas this the 9th day of December, 2021

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