

Daylight Savings Time returns **Sunday morning**

Don't forget to 'Spring Forward' this weekend, setting clocks ahead one hour as Daylight Savings Time begins again at 2 a.m. Sunday, March 9.

The long-debated, semi-annual clock adjustment will remain in effect until the first Sunday in November.

Observed across most of the United States (but for Hawaii and most of Arizona) DST persists despite years of cross-talk. Advocates argue for energy conservation, traffic safety and more daylight activity versus criticism tied to disturbed sleep patterns, agricultural disruption and more.

Either way, it's also a good reminder for residents to check the batteries in smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.

It is a common myth in the United States that DST was first implemented for the benefit of farmers. In reality, farmers have been one of the strongest lobbying groups against DST since it was first implemented. The factors that influence farming schedules, such as morning dew and dairy cattle's readiness to be milked, are ultimately dictated by the sun, so the clock change introduces unnecessary challenges.

DST was first implemented in the US with the Standard Time Act of 1918, a wartime measure for seven months during World War I in the interest of adding more daylight hours to conserve energy.

GISD trustees approve contract for \$150K gift

By James Draper

An anonymous donor aims to inject \$150,000 into Gladewater ISD after trustees officially approved a contract Friday afternoon.

Details on the agreement are limited at the moment in light of the anonymity of the gift and ongoing discussion of how the funds will be used.

"It's an anonymous donation, that's all I can tell you," board president Chris Thompson confirmed Friday after the board's unanimous approval of the sole item on their special called meeting agenda.

The group spent about 25 minutes in their closed door, lunchtime discussion of the contribution Feb. 28, gathering insight from Gladewater High School Principal Derrick Floyd in addition to Superintendent Rae

Ann Patty. They returned to open session for about a minute for a 7-0 vote on Thompson's recommended "Motion to approve the contract regarding the \$150,000 from an anonymous donor" before adjourning.

Good news, but nothing can be disclosed right now due to the contract with the donor, Patty echoed. Elements are still being ironed out - donations large and small are handled carefully in any circumstances.

"Anything that is for a specific purpose over a certain amount requires board approval," Patty added, relying on the district's elected officials for vetting. "There may be a time when there is a press release on that. Now that the board has said that they're OK with entering into that, we've got to get down to the nitty gritty.'



Gladewater High School marked the end of Black History Month Friday, February 28, putting students' talents on display in a celebration of Historically Black Colleges & Universities. **Photos** by James Draper









The White Oak FFA hosted a benefit auction on Saturday, March 1st, at the high school cafeteria, featuring a variety of unique items. Among them was a rocking chair, proudly displayed by members Lucas Frazier and Jed Tuttle. However, the little boy sitting in it—Dan Tuttle—was not up

Photos by Mike Peery

New fiber internet coming to White Oak

Sparklight®, a leading broadband communications provider, is bringing next-generation connectivity to White Oak with the construction of a state-of-the-art fiber-optic network. This advanced network will deliver multi-Gig internet speeds, providing residents and businesses with faster, more reliable service to meet their growing digital needs.

Construction on the fiber network began in August 2024 and is expected to be completed by late 2025. Once finished, the network will connect more than 2,500 White Oak homes and businesses, delivering the speed and reliability essential for work, learning, entertainment and innovation.

"Sparklight is invested in building a future-proof network that supports the evolving technology needs of the White Oak community," said Kenny Walker, Sparklight Senior Director, South Central Region. "We know that reliable, high-speed internet is essential for both families and businesses, and we're excited to provide a service they can count on—one that's fast, future-ready and backed by local support."

White Oak residents will have access to speeds up to 6 Gigs, while business customers can take advantage of symmetrical speeds up to 5 Gigs. In addition, customers will benefit from Sparklight's intelligent whole-home Wi-Fi solution, powered by eero. With the eero Pro 6E, customers can enjoy seamless Wi-Fi coverage throughout their home, eliminating dead

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zones and ensuring a strong, consistent connection for all their devices.

Sparklight continues to invest in bringing fast and reliable internet to the communities it serves. Over the past three years, the company has invested more than \$1 billion in network upgrades across its service areas. These enhancements pave the way for next-generation speeds, including the launch of 10 Gigabits (10G) and beyond. With intelligent Wi-Fi and a clear roadmap to DOCSIS 4.0, Sparklight is preparing to deliver speeds up to 10 times faster than today's networks.

"At Sparklight, we recognize that internet needs are rapidly evolving," Walker said. "With more connected devices in homes and businesses than ever before, we're dedicated to providing innovative solutions with a seamless customer experience that is personal, proactive and local."

To learn more about Sparklight's high-speed internet services, community initiatives and career opportunities, visit www.sparklight.com or follow Sparklight on Facebook, Instagram and X.

Gladewater man indicted on firearm charge

By Phillip Williams

The Upshur County Grand Jury last Thursday returned 20 indictments, eight of them sealed, in Gilmer, said District Attorney Billy Byrd.

Defendants, charges and bond information in the open indictments were as follows, Byrd announced:

Boyd Henry Gammill, 55, of Gladewater, unlawful possession of firearm by felon last Dec. 7. He was released on \$25,000 bond.

Hailey Breanna Beekman, 31, of Ore City, possession of controlled substance with intent to deliver (methamphetamine) last April 2. She was freed on \$25,000 bond.

Aaron James Moran, 26, of Ore City, was separately indicted on charges of possession of controlled substance with intent to deliver (methamphetamine) and evading arrest/ detention with vehicle, both alleged to have been committed last April 2.

Bond was set at \$25,000 on the drug charge, \$15,000 on the evasion charge, but he was released to the Gregg County Sheriff's Office to face charges there.

Kitzie Lee Hawkins, 45, of Gilmer, theft of property (of the value of) \$2,500 or less with two or more previous convictions--"enhanced"--last Oct. 26. She was released on \$10,000 bond.

"Enhanced" means that if a defendant is convicted of the charge, the potential punishment range is higher than for

first-time offenders. Noel Richard Casper, 68, of Winnsboro, theft of property (of the value of) \$2,500 or less with two or more previous

convictions--enhanced on May 18, 2024.

He was freed on \$10,000 bond.

Michael James Ageton, 37, of Gilmer, possession of controlled substance (methamphetamine) last July 1. He was released on \$10,000 bond

Paul Mason Reardon, 41, of Gilmer, possession of controlled substance (heroin) last Nov. 13. He remained in county jail in Gilmer under \$20,000 bond.

Devin Ray Bullard, 34, of Gilmer, was separately indicted on charges of unauthorIzed use of motor vehicle, and theft of property of the value of \$30,000 or more, but less than \$150,000.

He is accused of committing the offenses last Dec. 21. He remained jailed under bonds of \$25,000 on the theft charge, \$10,000 on the vehicle charge.

Mindi Sue Griffith, 49, of Marshall, unauthorized use of vehicle on Jan. 31, 2024. She was freed on \$5,000 bond.

Bruce Earl Godlock, a Big Sandy resident who turned 46 Sunday, possession of controlled substance (methamphetamine) last May 3. Bond was set at \$5,000, but he remained jailed on other charges and a state-issued "blue warrant" alleging parole violation.



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

Dr. Ray Perryman THE ECONOMIST



Water ...

Adequate supplies of fresh water at reasonable prices are essential to quality of life and economic growth. Over the next 30 years, we are predicting that the Texas population will increase from about 31 million to well over 45 million. This increase of more than 14 million people plus growth in economic output of some \$3.4 trillion, much of it in water-intensive sectors, will clearly require =far more resources than are currently available.

Rainfall varies dramatically across the state, from about 10 inches per year in the west to up to 60 inches in the east, and there are notable differences year to year. It's not a place where last-minute solutions in the form of new reservoirs are likely to be sufficient, particularly since such facilities typically take decades to implement. Aquifers supply well over half of the water used in the state, including about one-third of that used to meet municipal demands, and some of them are slow to recharge. In fact, available supply from aquifers is projected to decline significantly over time due to depletion.

The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) is the state agency in charge of water planning. In the most recent report, a variety of water management strategies are explored ranging from conservation to investments in additional sources. Although currently the largest category of needs is irrigation, future requirements will be driven by municipal use. Steam electric, manufacturing, mining, and livestock are the other categories tracked, but are small components of aggregate requirements.

With regard to aquifers, the goal is to balance utilization with conservation, protection, recharge, and control of subsidence (which is when the ground sinks due to removal of underground material such as water). In some cases, such as the Edwards Aquifer, water levels and spring flows are measured around the clock, and cities (including San Antonio) and other users which rely on the resource must adjust their consumption accordingly.

Clearly, major investments will be required in a variety of traditional and innovative approaches, with cost estimates ranging as high as \$154 billion over the next 50 years. A statewide coalition of business leaders and organizations is working to encourage legislative action to secure additional funding. In 2023, bills were passed and approved by voters setting aside \$1 billion and creating the Texas Water Fund, which allows TWDB to utilize various financial assistance programs for water projects. Voters have also approved constitutional amendments to help pay for water supply increases.

During the current Texas legislative session, lawmakers will have an estimated surplus of almost \$24 billion. Although there are many challenges to be dealt with (including education, power, and other infrastructure), efforts aimed at enhancing long-term water supplies clearly merit significant attention.

Stay safe!

Happy Birthday Sam ...

One of the men in my life was celebrating his 232nd birthday March 2. I have been in a close relationship with him since 1978 when I wrote my Masters' thesis about him. He is my hero for several reasons, not the least of which was his ability to start over and in the effort change the course of history in the process.

Here is a short dirty lesson about the man known as The Raven.

As a fatherless youth he often crossed over and spent summers with the Cherokees. As a young man under the command of General Andy Jackson he distinguished himself in the Battle of Horseshoe Bend against the Creek Indians who were making hash of Jackson's troops.

Old Hickory was in a rage with his white hair standing on end as he whipped his white horse around yelling commands at his splintered troops. Sam, a young ensign who was being treated for an injury sprang onto his horse and charged the Creek inspiring an advance that saved the day and winning Jackson's admiration and affection.

Sam who was raised without a father looked to Jackson to fill that role. Jackson looked to Houston as the son he never had who was destined to shape America's future.

As governor of Tennessee Sam married a sweet young thing who apparently was in love with someone else. She abandoned the statehouse and Sam for her lover. Sam retreated to his Cherokee family and stayed drunk for some time. But eventually he emerged from his embarrassment and hangover to be called to the Capital by Jackson who was now President and Commander-in-Chief. Sam who met the President in his buckskins earned a turn of Jackson's back and tossed a bag of coins with the comment to return when he was dressed as a civilized man.

Shortly after their time together Sam made his way to the Mexican territory known as Texas and the wild young man grew into a visionary leader of historic legend. He also fell in love with a good woman who helped him be a better man. Sam Houston was the kind of man who could stand up to ridicule, just and unjust criticism, the tragic loss of men he admired at battles like Gonzales and Goliad, and the kick in the gut that was the Alamo and its "13 Days of Glory".

Who do you think was blamed for the loss of those heroes? Sam Houston led the rag-tag revolutionary army in what was derisively called the Runaway Scrape until he backed his army onto a bayou that he knew he could defend with his limited troops. And with the burning of a bridge by Deaf Smith he was ready to win a war and birth a nation.

Sam Houston served as president of the Republic of Texas and a senator and governor of Texas. As the Civil War approached he was the Unionist governor of a pro-secession

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state

Houston begged legislators not to support secession and

they brutally kicked him out of the governor's office. While they voted for secession he stood on the steps of the Capitol and begged Texans to vote against the bill.

After it passed elderly ex-governor Sam Houston toured the state begging voters to vote against secession. He stood on the steps of many a courthouse, including the one in Gilmer speaking directly to the people who more often than not pelted the elderly hero of San Jacinto with rotten fruit. Yet he futilely rode from town to town in the effort to stem the tide.

Long ago I presented a paper on my hero at the East Texas Historical Association and used the book "The Great Designer" by historian Lorena B. Friend as my main source. When it was over, a tiny older woman approached me and drawled in a lovely

Southern accent, "I used to say I was the last woman in Sam Houston's life. Suzanne, I now pass that title to you."

And so as Miss Lorena's self-declared "last woman" I

And so, as Miss Lorena's self-declared "last woman" I share with you the words of this very flawed man. The words that made him a hero for the ages.

"Some of you laugh to scorn the idea of bloodshed as the result of secession, but let me tell you what is coming... Your fathers and husbands, your sons and brothers, will be herded at the point of the bayonet... You may after the sacrifice of countless millions of treasure and hundreds of thousands of lives, as a bare possibility, win Southern independence... but I doubt it. I tell you that, while I believe with you in the doctrine of state rights, the North is determined to preserve the Union...

If you go to war with the United States, you will never conquer her, as she has the money and the men. If she does not whip you by guns, powder and steel, she will starve you to death...I predict the civil war which is now at hand will be stubborn of long duration...

In the name of the constitution of Texas, which has been trampled upon, I refuse to take this oath. I love Texas too well to bring civil strife and bloodshed upon her."

Sam Houston was deposed from office on March 15, 1861 and died on July 26, 1863, with his wife Margaret by his side. His last words were "Texas! Texas! Margaret."

Sam Houston sacrificed everything he had ever won or deeply wanted for his convictions. Texas and our nation could use a few more statesmen like him today.

Voucher bill has backing of House majority

A slim majority of Texas House members have indicated they will back House Bill 3, which creates education savings accounts that allow families to use taxpayer money for private school education. The Dallas Morning News reported that 75 Republican legislators have signed on with the bill's author, state Rep. Brad Buckley, R-Salado, to support the measure.

"For the first time in our great state's history, the Texas House has the votes to pass a universal school choice program," Gov. Greg Abbott said in a statement.

The Texas Senate has already passed a voucher bill, though it contains different provisions. The two measures will have to be reconciled before a bill reaches Abbott's desk. The House bill has more stringent requirements based on income and whether a child has a disability. Both bills carry a \$1 billion price tag.

"We want to continue to make the bill better and improve it," he said. "If there's room for improvement or to make the bill better, that's part of the process."

First measles fatality recorded in West Texas

A measles outbreak in West Texas has resulted in the death of a school-aged child, and 146 cases have been identified as of Friday, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services. DSHS predicts more cases are likely to occur, given

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the highly contagious nature of the disease.

An additional case was reported in an adult living in Rock-wall County, in North Texas. An adult male tested positive after traveling out of the country. State officials say he was not vaccinated. The man spent about a week in a hospital but is now recovering at home.

Dr. Peter Hotez, co-director of the Center for Vaccine Development at Texas Children's Hospital, told the Houston Chronicle also believes the outbreak, the state's largest in 30 years, will continue to increase because of a growing number of children who are not being vaccinated. The Centers for Disease Control estimates nine in 10 people who are not vaccinated will become infected if exposed to measles.

"I think these numbers will continue to accelerate for a while," Hotez said. "So this is going to be a very large, very

dangerous measles epidemic."

Senate votes to ban lottery brokers

The state Senate voted unanimously last week to outlaw third-party brokers who buy mass numbers of Texas lottery tickets online, the Austin American-Statesman reported. The bill is similar to one passed in the Senate two years ago that died in the House, but the issue has gained momentum after a ticket broker, called a "lottery courier company" bought all possible combinations for a single entity and won a \$95 million Lotto Texas jackpot last April.

Abbott last week ordered the Texas Rangers to investigate that incident and another last week in which a player won \$83.5 million with tickets purchased through an online courier company, the Chronicle reported.

Wildfire risk growing in western half of state

State officials are gearing up for an increased wildfire danger across the western half of Texas, including the Panhandle, South Plains, Permian Basin, and parts of the Hill Country. The Texas A&M Forest Service is reporting one active wildfire in Kimble County. It has consumed 722 acres and was 70% contained as of Sunday

"It's important for Texans to prepare for wildfires, work to prevent them and heed warnings of local officials" Jared Karns, forest service fire chief, said.

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THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

A wise man once said: "One of the devil's most successful temptations is to occupy our minds with the past and the future, so as to neglect the present." It's important to remember the past, and the Bible teaches us to do that. For example, in 1 Corinthians 10 the apostle Paul spoke about Old Testament happenings and said: "These things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted." Then he said: "All these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they were written for our admonition." So, we do need to remember the past.

And it's also important to live in view of God's promises about the future. For example, in 2 Peter 3, after reminding us that Jesus is coming again and "the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up," Peter then says: "Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in all holy conversation and godliness." So, not only do we need to remember the past, but we also must not forget what the future holds.

But it is also true that we can become so caught up in the past, or in the future.

But it is also true that we can become so caught up in the past, or in the future, that we forget to really live in the present. You see, in both 1 Corinthians 10, where Paul tells us to remember the past, and in 2 Peter 3, where Peter tells us not to forget the future, the point of both is to motivate us to live for God right now! 2 Corinthians 6: 2 says: "Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." This speaks with a sense of urgency. We are reminded of Jeremiah 8: 20 which reads: "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." Is this true of you, my friend, regarding salvation?

Dear reader, don't become so preoccupied with pass success or failures, or future dreams or fears that you are not saved and obediently serving God right now; TODAY!

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OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON PUBLIC EDUCATION BY DALE THOMAS, ESPECIALLY FOR J. STANLEY MARSHALL

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- 1. Press teachers to assume a professional role and pursue it professionally. Appeal to their sense of pride and then fight diligently to see that they are treated as professionals. Encourage them to police, encourage and promote their profession and maintain standards that "buy" respect and compensation.
- 2. Teaching is an art and good teachers are artists. They must be given room to explore, venture, fail, dream and excel.
- 3. Preach trust and professionalism. Then, see that any teacher has access to petty cash funds for their teaching tasks. Don't make them have to fight for incidentals.
- 4. The solicitation of community and parent involvement has become lip service. Schools do not know how to manage a maningful program of involvement from the outside. Train
- 5. Preach to the student body and promote the concepts of:
 - Opportunity to learn
 - В. Joy of learning Discipline of thought and task management
 - D. Being receptive
- 6. Some parents want to know everything and anything that is important to their child and that child's education. Find who those parents are and make sure they are accommodated. This might catch on and lure some who are indifferent into the "camp".
- 7. Some students are willing and anxious to learn and make notable progress. Find who they are and make certain that every teacher is aware and accommodating. This might catch on and lure some who are indifferent.
- 8. Make certain that teachers leave the campus very soon after the students leave. If they stay after or take work home find out "what" and "why"; and proceed to eliminate it. Preach and insist that teachers come to work reasonably rested and that they produce efficiently during the school day. Then go home! day. Then go home!
- 9. Conduct a simple survey. Ask a student what he learned TODAY. Might discover that in fact he didn't learn anything. Don't let a student spend time in any class, on any day, without learning something!
- 10. Consider the matter of substitute teaching/teachers:
- A. Develop subs that are expert in an important field and let them teach "their" subject; rather than make a mockery of the normal curriculum. A meaningful subject will be taught that day by an instructor who is knowledgeable. With this policy in place the regular teacher does not have to jump through hoops trying to equip the sub with her regular material.
- B. Train subs to dispense meaningful instructions in a few fields, as a useful review for the students. A good review is always useful. Some areas for consideration are:
- 1. Vocabulary (make sure that there are a few that will be absolutely new to the class; and useful) $\label{eq:condition}$

 - 3. Economics
 - 4. Motivation
 - 5. Etiquette
 - 6. Family/home
 - 7. Government
 - 8. Test taking skills
 - 9. Staying/ getting in shape physically
 - 10. How to outline material
 - 11. How to make formal presentations
- - A. Philosophy....waste is unacceptable!
 - B. Recognize that it, like termites, is everywhere.
 - C. Locate it, identify it and paint it RED.
 - D. Don't discriminate. Make it known in every place. Preach the philosophy and motivate the parties to E.
- point it up.
- F. Establish an absolute environment of appreciation and protection for every contribution of identification and elimination.
 - Seek it wherever it hides:
 - Funds
 - Time Resources
 - Energies
 - Curriculum Personnel
 - Programs Administration 8.
- H. Challenge staff to be especially diligent to identify any waste that is close to them. Don't let, camake, someone else have to locate that which is in his
- J. The degree and extent of waste, when painted red and displayed, will probably be mind boggling. In a school year there are probably blocks of an entire week that are wasted. Without a doubt there are numerous days that would have to be painted red. There may be entire courses of study that are a waste and most certainly many class periods that are a total waste. Waste should be fairly obvious to an honest observer. The vast area of poor teaching, inefficient methods and programs will be more difficult to identify and correct. But, these will never be explored unless and until the gross field of waste is harvested.
- J. Develop a simple, comprehensive and flexible data base to store all items of waste; with all pertinent information that might need to be massaged. This would include, at least, the following:
 - A. The provider/identifier (personnel)
 - B. Campus, classroom, subject, etc.
 - C. Brief but adequate description
 - D. Degree/extent of: Money

 - 2. Time 3. Effect
 - E. Other areas affected by or affecting this
 - F. Initial recommendation or suggestions to

consider.

- G. Evaluation of weight:
 1. Very critical
 2. Worth pursuing
 3. Save for later review/study
 - 4. Immaterial
- problem 2. Individual or team for study and

recommendation

- I. Disposition
- 12. Start preaching to teachers: A. Stan's story of his public school teaching experiences being his most gratifying, for example.
- B. The profession is noble C. Every child deserves a good teacher, teaching a meaningful lesson, and doing it well, every day.
- D. Don't complain and bellyache
- E. Care about kids--they can spot this immediately. F. Consider and enjoy the far reaching effect of good

- G. In our nation the profession is more important than marching in an army or accumulating wealth.
 - H. Meaningful time spent on youth is never wasted.
- I. Expect to be appreciated and compensated. If not, call it to the attention of the appropriate parties, and if no results, move on to other pastures in a good spirit.
- J. Improvements in the field of education can and should start with the teacher.
- K. Encourage teachers to list their likes and dislikes; then honestly review, consider and respond to them.
 - L. Take a simple survey:
- 1. Ask a teacher if he is doing a good job (he knows, and will probably tell the truth)
 2. Ask what would make him better
- 13. Use the "waste" technique to identify clerical tasks that are imposed upon the classroom teacher. Analyze it and start feeding it to clerical people. Whenever possible see that clerks are doing the clerical work. There are better things for the professional teacher to do!

 This study should include a careful look at every task to determine if it is necessary, is it efficient, is the frequency necessary, etc.
- 14. Take an honest look at school athletics:
- A. Make certain that physical education is taught;
- because it is extremely important.

 B. Emphasize sports with strong carryover value.

 C. Misplaced emphasis on spectator sports discourages hard working educators.
- 15. Teacher in-service training:

Quit making this a drudgery, boring and a virtual waste!! There are too many exercises that a teacher needs and, perhaps, wants, to waste their time. It is a disgrace to be in the education profession and do such a poor job in this area. Never waste their time. This is an insult and will breed and foster waste. A poor job in this area dilutes and offsets any "promotion" of professionalism and goals of excellence. For shame....

- A. Administration should have a good feel for the needs of their classroom teachers. If not, go to work and find out.
- B. Instead of buying traveling experts, challenge the elementary teachers to teach secondary teachers and vice versa. Each should have something to offer to the other that would be beneficial.
- C. Don't let teachers get by with skills only in their subject or grade level. As teachers, they should have a reasonably broad education and (B) above could be a way of addressing such.
 - D. Use some of this time to "preach".
- E. Inasmuch as the school campus is somewhat of a world all its own, use this time to enlighten, broaden and motivate in fields of finance, government, home and family,
- F. Explore and offer suggestions relating to teacher burnout. It would be interesting to do a study on when and why a (1) relatively young, inexperienced, recently graduated teacher does a better job than (2) an older, experienced teacher who has everything down pat and tries nothing new.
- G. Encourage further, formal education and considerations of moving into administration. The profession should strive to create upward areas in which to strive and attain. This could be significant in dealing with the burnout problem. Don't let good teachers with a storehouse of experience die on the vine.
- 16. Many reports, tests, classes, procedures, qualifications, etc. are laid upon school districts; and they have to comply. If any are poor, useless, unduly cumbersome or in any way deficient call it to the attention of the State. Ask for relief and offer suggestions...someone just might listen.
- 17. Campus principals are super important. Make certain that they have adequate time to evaluate, motivate, correct, encourage, etc. It takes time to manage; and it is impossible to maintain accountability and a degree of excellence if they are always buried in stuff.
- 18. Further comment on the good teacher being an artist....

 The good teacher is always searching for a simpler approach to educate. How can I make it simpler??? is an ongoing and never ending pursuit. By contrast a poor teacher often will strive to impress his student with his(teacher) knowledge and call it "teaching". The more complicated it is, the deeper it must be, so they believe and try to convince. Never! The better a matter is understood by a teacher the easier it is to communicate in simple words, demonstrations and techniques. The less a matter is understood the more such a teacher has to rely upon a "smoke screen" of complex phrases. Deep and artistic thought is characterized by the pursuit of simplicity. 18. Further comment on the good teacher being an artist..... thought is characterized by the pursuit of simplicity. A great example is a teacher who composed this "Let him that is without sin cast the first stone". Simply powerful!
- 19. Conduct a study/survey to find an answer to the tragedy of:
- Elementary teachers doing an outstanding job of teaching young students to read. The student is so excited he wants to read anything, including the roadside billboards. When the student enters high school he hates the thought and the assignment of reading a book or two.

What happens in the interim? Is it inevitable? Does the "new" simply wear off? Do we push them into dull and uninteresting material because we are convinced they should become acquainted with the specific material? Would it be better to concentrate on "light" material and expand the "joy" of reading, in hopes that they will move into the classical material at some time and in a more receptive mood?

Perhaps our overall reading program needs a new dimension of maintaining an ongoing interest on the part of the student. It would seem that this would be the work of an artist; not a technician.

20. Administration should make it a point to know every teacher who is committed to being a professional and travel the high road. Encourage, reward and utilize this attribute. They can become a foundation upon which to build a great



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You expressed an interest during our recent visit to White Oak in the work of The James Madison Institute and I appreciate that very much. You'll find enclosed some literature which will give you a better idea of the kind of things we try to do here than I was able to express during our

It was a great pleasure to visit with you and Pat and to enjoy a delicious lunch in White Oak. I hope our paths will cross again soon.

Best regards. Sincerely yours,

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GFD Activity

For the month of February, we responded to 52 Criminal Investigations, arrested 16 people for various Offenses or Warrants, Conducted 184 Traffic Stops, worked 6 Motor Vehicle Accidents, responded to 243 Calls for Service and Answered 359 9-1-1 calls.

Gladewater Fire responded to a total of 61 calls for services in the month of February, those calls were: Medical 40, Public Service 6, Fire 4, Accident 3, Alarm 3, Canceled 2, Controlled Burn 2, and Utility Problem 1.

Traffic Watch

It's always a good time to remind people of this, but especially now that a child has been struck while crossing the street to get to his school bus (it did not happen in White Oak). Remember, the only exception to a vehicle having to stop for a loading or unloading school bus is when the vehicle is on the opposite side of a divided highway. There are NO divided roadways in White Oak. None. There's no need to ask, "What about this road?" or "What about that road?" There are ZERO divided roads in White Oak. If a school bus is stopped with its red flashers or stop signs activated on ANY street in White Oak, then ALL traffic must stop until they are deactivated. It does not matter which direction you are travelling or which side of the road you are on.

Criminals impersonating state, threatening to seize assets

Some taxpayers have received fraudulent letters claiming the state of Texas will seize their assets and property for unpaid taxes unless payment is made within seven days. These illegitimate letters did not originate from the Comptroller's office.

For years, criminals have used aggressive and threatening scam faxes, letters and phone calls impersonating state agencies. The criminals demand immediate payment, often via a specific payment method, and threaten to seize assets and property or significantly increase the liability if you fail to pay or provide sensitive personal information.

If you receive an unexpected message of this type, do not call the phone number or use the website or link provided in the letter, email or text.

Drinking and driving over spring break could land you in the "DWI Not So Fun House" or worse

51% of alcohol-related crashes in Texas during the 2023 spring break holiday period involved drivers ages 17–30

AUSTIN – What begins as a fun time with friends over spring break can turn tragic in an instant, and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is reminding everyone to always get a sober ride.

Shocking cell phone video shows the moments before 17-year-old Andrea Elizalde of Amarillo was killed in a crash in the spring of 2019.

Elizalde was just weeks away from graduating from high school with dreams of becoming a brain surgeon, when she was thrown from a Corvette after her inebriated friend hit a light pole at 110 mph on an Amarillo highway.

Five years later, tragedy continues to strike young Texans who don't take the dangers of drinking and driving seriously.

Andrea's father, David Elizalde, started the nonprofit Andrea's Project to share his daughter's tragic story with other students.

"If I can save people from getting DWIs and save people's lives, I'll have really accomplished something in my daughter's honor," Elizalde said.

This spring, TxDOT will take this same message to college students around the state as part of its "Drive Sober. No Regrets" campaign.

"There is never a good reason to drive after drinking," TxDOT Executive Director Marc Williams said. "Everyone has the opportunity to choose a sober ride and prevent horrific crashes."

During the 2023 spring break period, there were 375 alcohol-related crashes in Texas involving drivers between the ages of 17 and 30, including nine deaths. That's more than half of all drunk driving crashes in the same 10-day period.

Students can save lives by designating a sober driver, using rideshares, taxis and mass transit, or simply staying put after drinking. To spread this message, TxDOT is partnering with the campus-based group U in the Driver Seat and other student leaders across Texas throughout March

TxDOT will travel the state with its mobile "DWI Not So Fun House" exhibit to give the community an up-close look at the risks of drunk driving.

The exhibit features video stories from drunk-driving survivors and offenders to illustrate the consequences of driving impaired. It also includes an arcade-style driving simulator to demonstrate the effects of alcohol on motor skills and reaction time.

TxDOT's "Drive Sober. No Regrets" campaign is a key component of #EndTheStreakTX, a broader social media and word-of-mouth effort that encourages drivers to make safer choices while behind the wheel to help end the streak of daily deaths. Nov. 7, 2000, was the last deathless day on Texas roadways.



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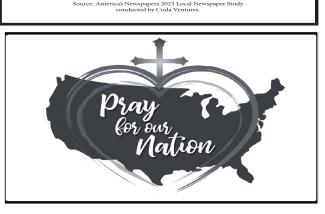
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'Floodgate' of uncertified teachers causing concern

More than half of new teachers hired last year lacked state certification, according to The News, and Education Commissioner Mike Morath expressed concern at a recent House committee hearing. Morath said it was impossible to know what type of training uncertified teachers received.

"We are setting these folks up for a very rough ride," Education Commissioner Mike Morath told lawmakers during a recent House committee hearing.

The Legislature a decade ago loosened hiring requirements for school districts to hire teachers because of a shortage of certified applicants.

"We need to take responsibility for some of that because we've made it easier to get into a classroom without certification," state Rep. Gina Hinojosa, D-Austin, told her colleagues. "That is a policy decision that we have made."

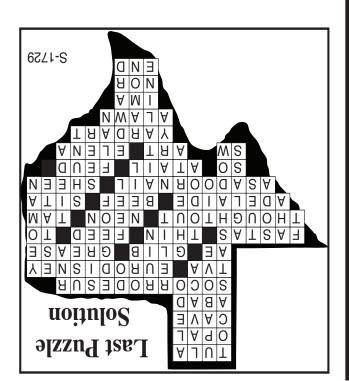
The Texas Education Agency reports that schools with higher shares of uncertified teachers have worse outcomes on annual standardized tests. Legislation has been proposed to rein in the system that allows districts to hire uncertified teachers.

Growing number of leaking oil wells causing concern

State regulators are struggling with a growing number of leaking oil wells that threaten to contaminate aquifers, according to an investigative report in the Chronicle. The latest known leak is from an orphaned well in Pecos County, from which black, salty water is flowing along the sandy surface. Orphaned wells were previously owned by companies that went bankrupt or out of business.

"The number one concern is groundwater contamination," Schuyler Wight, a neighboring rancher, said. "Also, this well is adjacent to the Imperial Reservoir, which impacts down-

The Texas Railroad Commission plans to send a rig to plug the Pecos well. It has requested \$100 million in new funding from the Legislature to address the issue.





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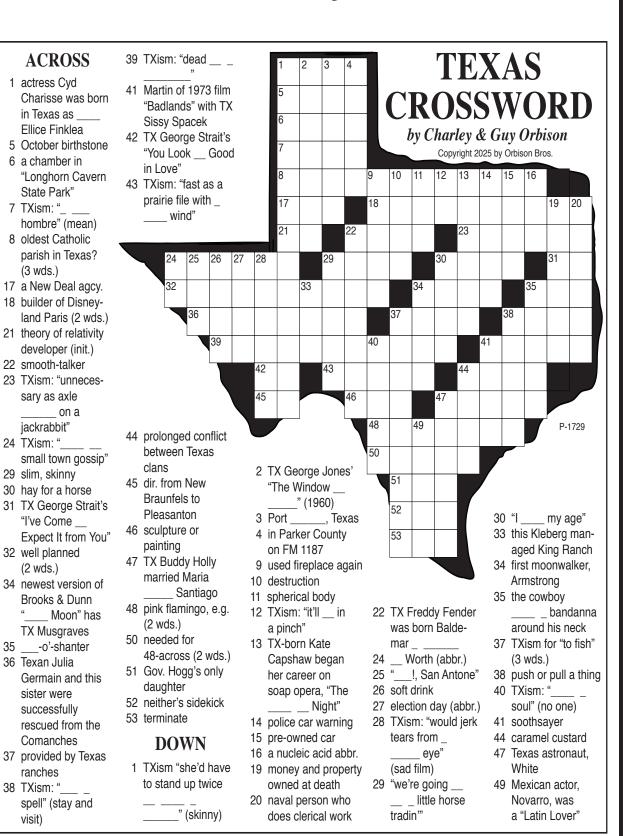
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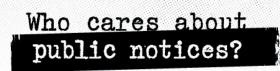
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DAVID LEE NEWBERRY, Deceased, 24PR00313
In the County Court of Upshur County, Texas

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The court may act on this application at any call of the docket on or after 10:00 a.m., March 24, 2025, which is the first Monday next after the expiration of 10 days from the date of publication of this citation, at the Upshur County Courthouse, 150 E. Jefferson

All persons interested in said estate are cited to appear before this Honorable Court by filing a written contest or answer to this Application should they desire to do so. To ensure its consideration, you or your attorney must file any objection, intervention, or response in writing with the County Clerk of Upshur County, Texas on or before the above noted date and time.

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Determination for Heirship

If this citation is not served within 90 days after date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Witness, Michelle Gilley, Clerk of the County Court at Law #2 of Gregg County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in the City of Longview this the 20th day of February, 2025

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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF GREGG

TO: THE HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF KATIE LEA EVERETT MAYO, DECEASED, IF ANY OR ALL OF THE DEFENDANTS, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS; AND THE EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, GUARDIANS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, LEGAL OR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, LEGATEES, AND DEVISEES FOR THE ESTATE OF ANY DECEDENT. AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, INCLUDING ADVERSE CLAIMANTS, THE UNKNOWN STOCKHOLDERS OF ANY DEFUNCT CORPORATIONS, THEIR SUCCESSORS, HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, AND ASSIGNS, OWNING OR HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL, OR EQUITABLE, INTEREST IN OR LIEN UPON THE PROPERTY AS DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT A; THE HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF DOROTHY EVERETT RUSHING, DECEASED, IF ANY OR ALL OF THE DEFENDANTS, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS; AND THE EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, GUARDIANS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, LEGAL OR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, LEGATEES, AND DEVISEES FOR THE ESTATE OF ANY DECEDENT. AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, INCLUDING ADVERSE CLAIMANTS, THE UNKNOWN STOCKHOLDERS OF ANY DEFUNCT CORPORATIONS, THEIR SUCCESSORS, HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, AND ASSIGNS, OWNING OR HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL, OR EQUITABLE, INTEREST IN OR LIEN UPON THE PROPERTY AS DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT A; THE HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF LAFAYETTE J EVERETT, DECEASED, IF ANY OR ALL OF THE DEFENDANTS, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS; AND THE EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, GUARDIANS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, LEGAL OR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, LEGATEES, AND DEVISEES FOR THE ESTATE OF ANY DECEDENT. AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, INCLUDING ADVERSE CLAIMANTS, THE UNKNOWN STOCKHOLDERS OF ANY DEFUNCT CORPORATIONS, THEIR SUCCESSORS, HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, AND ASSIGNS, OWNING OR HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL, OR EQUITABLE, INTEREST IN OR LIEN UPON THE PROPERTY AS DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT A AND THE HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF MATTIE JETER EVERETT, DECEASED, IF ANY OR ALL OF THE DEFENDANTS, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS; AND THE EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, GUARDIANS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, LEGAL OR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, LEGATEES, AND DEVISEES FOR THE ESTATE OF ANY DECEDENT. AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, INCLUDING ADVERSE CLAIMANTS, THE UNKNOWN STOCKHOLDERS OF ANY DEFUNCT CORPORATIONS, THEIR SUCCESSORS, HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, AND ASSIGNS, OWNING OR HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL, OR EQUITABLE, INTEREST IN OR LIEN UPON THE PROPERTY AS DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT A

You are hereby commanded to appear in the below-mentioned case and submit an answer to the Court by 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this notice, which will be the 7th day of April , 2025 .

The State of Texas filed a Petition for Condemnation with the Judge of the County Court at Law No. 2 of Gregg County, Texas, on the 30th day of October , 2024, in Cause No. 2024-1679-CCL2, which is styled *The State of Texas v. Julie Sloan Watson a/k/a Julie Everett Watson, et al.*

This suit is an eminent domain proceeding in which the State of Texas is condemning a tract of land located in Gregg County, Texas, containing a 0.0123 acre (534 square feet) parcel of land situated in the Lewis J Rigsby Survey, Abstract No. 179, located in Gregg County, Texas, and being out of and a part of Martha Street (variable width right-of-way, no dedication of record found), and being a remainder portion of the original 173.1 acre tract of land (calculated 0.6503 acres) conveyed to L.J. Everett, as evidenced by Affidavit of Adverse Possession executed February 14, 1931, recorded in Volume 76, Page 614 of the Deed Records of Gregg County, Texas (D.R.G.C.T.), and being further described as a 167.93 acre tract in the Modification of Oil & Gas Lease executed May 7, 1935 between Mrs. Mattie Everett, Et Al. and Magnolia Petroleum Company, recorded in Volume 182, Page 591, D.R.G.C.T., such property being fully described in Exhibit "A" of Plaintiff's Petition for Condemnation filed under the above-referenced cause number.

The Plaintiff is the State of Texas. The name and address of the attorney for Plaintiff is Bryan Vecera, Assistant Attorney General, P.O. Box 12548, Austin, Texas 78711-2548.

The known Defendants in the case are: Julie Sloan Watson a/k/a Julie Everett Watson; James S. Everett; Carl B, Everett, III a/k/a Carl Bussey Everett a/k/a Carl Bussey Everett, Jr.; John Ward Stephenson; Tom Kenna Stephenson and Harold G. Simmons.

The unknown Defendants and unlocated parties of interest, including Defendants whose residence is unknown, whose whereabouts could not otherwise be located after due diligence, or such Defendants absent from or a nonresident of the State, whom the State of Texas has attempted to obtain personal service of nonresident notice as provided for in Rule 108, but have been unable to do so, are: The heirs and devisees of Katie Lea Everett Mayo, deceased, if any or all of the defendants, the unknown heirs; and the executors, administrators, guardians, creditors, trustees,

legal or personal representatives, legatees, and devisees for the estate of any decedent. And any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, the unknown stockholders of any defunct corporations, their successors, heirs, beneficiaries, and assigns, owning or having or claiming any legal, or equitable, interest in or lien upon the property as described in Exhibit A; The heirs and devisees of Dorothy Everett Rushing, deceased, if any or all of the defendants, the unknown heirs; and the executors, administrators, guardians, creditors, trustees, legal or personal representatives, legatees, and devisees for the estate of any decedent. And any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, the unknown stockholders of any defunct corporations, their successors, heirs, beneficiaries, and assigns, owning or having or claiming any legal, or equitable, interest in or lien upon the property as described in Exhibit A; The heirs and devisees of LaFayette J Everett, deceased, if any or all of the defendants, the unknown heirs; and the executors, administrators, guardians, creditors, trustees, legal or personal representatives, legatees, and devisees for the estate of any decedent. And any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, the unknown stockholders of any defunct corporations, their successors, heirs, beneficiaries, and assigns, owning or having or claiming any legal, or equitable, interest in or lien upon the property as described in Exhibit A and The heirs and devisees of Mattie Jeter Everett, deceased, if any or all of the defendants, the unknown heirs; and the executors, administrators, guardians, creditors, trustees, legal or personal representatives, legatees, and devisees for the estate of any decedent. And any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, the unknown stockholders of any defunct corporations, their successors, heirs, beneficiaries, and assigns, owning or having or claiming any legal, or equitable, interest in or lien upon the property as described in Exhibit A and, if any of them are deceased, their respective heirs and legal representatives, if any.

The interests of these unknown or unlocated Defendants are that they either own or may claim an interest in said property subject to the condemnation and may be entitled to a portion of the proceeds thereof, subject to unpaid accrued taxes.

You are each hereby further notified that the undersigned special commissioners appointed
to assess the damages in the above proceedings have met and set a time and place for the special
commissioners' hearing in said proceeding and find that the day of April
,20 <u>25</u> , is the earliest practicable date for a hearing of the parties; that the most
convenient place in this County to hold the hearing is
Gregg County Courthouse, 101 E. Methvin Street, Longview, TX 75601
; and that the hearing shall commence at this location at

You are further notified that you may appear at the hearing before the special commissioners and present evidence on the issue of damages to be assessed against the State. If you do not appear at the hearing, the special commissioners shall proceed to assess the total compensation to be provided to the owners of the property being condemned and any other interested parties. Determinations regarding the proper allocation of funds and declarations of interest as to any amount will occur later at a separate hearing.

If this Notice is not served within ninety (90) days after issuance, it shall be returned.

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SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS

Storytime held in Gilmer

Two books by the late Dr. Seuss will be read to small children Thursday (March 6) at both of the Upshur County Library's two weekly "Storytime" sessions in Gilmer.

"Red Fish, Blue Fish" and "ABC" will be presented at the 10 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. events.

A fish-related craft will follow each Storytime at the library, 702 W. Tyler (which is also Texas 154).

Although the activities are free to the public, youngsters under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information, call the library at 903-843-5001. Amy Allred is its children's coordinator.

Red Rock Health Fair set March 20

Red Rock Historical Association's third annual Community Health Fair is set for noon, March 20.

Encouraging locals to 'Live Today for a Better Tomorrow,' the event is centered on the association's activity center at 2629 Gregory.

For more information, contact Bennie Moore at 903-734-5944. Learn more about Red Rock Historical Association at redrockha.org or email redrockha@gmail.com.

WO community trash collection set

The City of White Oak's Spring Trash Off Days returns March 20-22.

Welcoming anyone with a current White Oak water bill, the annual open collection is set from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. that Thursday and Friday in addition to 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 22.



The Oil Patch TRTA ladies took a field trip to see the daffodils and have refreshments on one of the newly crafted picnic table with benches at Mrs. Lee's Daffodil Garden.

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Union Grove's FFA members brought home a stack of awards from the Brownsboro CDE Invitational including 2nd place Milk Quality Team with Danica Vestal ranking 2nd High Individual and 6th high for Rachel Potter alongside Mallorie Cannon and Garrett Staley. The Vet Science Team took 8th place (7th High Individual for Brinley Campbell). On the Livestock Judging Team, Bre Reynolds earned 10th High Individual.

Some garbage isn't eligible for the event, including paint, oil, tires, shingles or appliances with compressors. Otherwise, it's a free, open collection, and participants should drop off their trash in the provided containers on Hwy. 42 behind the city's Water Treatment Plant. For more information, contact White Oak City Hall at 903-759-2061.

Round-Up opens app for scholarship

Applications are due April 15 for the Gladewater Round-Up Rodeo's latest cycle of scholarships.

"This is a great shot to earn some extra college cash and is what our rodeo is actually all about!" the organization announced Monday.

With the rodeo set June 4-7, potential applicants have been pointed to gladewaterroundup.wixsite.com/rodeoscholarships for more details about the award.

High school seniors in Gregg County or Upshur are eligible for the scholarship with selection based on need, scholastic ability and leadership activities in Future Farmers of America, 4-H and other extracurriculars in and outside

Applicant must have taken the ACT and/or SAT and plan to attend an accredited, not-for-profit university or college in the state of Texas.

For more information, visit shorturl.at/bMn55

Mirror Candidates Forum returns April 7

Gladewater Mirror's annual Candidates Forum is set for 6 p.m. April 7 at Gladewater Chamber of Commerce.

The City of Gladewater has two contested races remaining in its Spring 2025 election cycle: Place 4 challenger William Blackmon versus incumbent Teddy Sorrells and Place 5 contender Mark McGinnis vs. incumbent (and Mayor Pro Tem) Sonny Anderson.

Place 7 council member Kevin Clark is unchallenged in his re-election bid, and Place 6 councilman Rocky Hawkins will be succeeded by Milton Anderson.

With the forum moderated by Gladewater Mirror Publisher Jim Bardwell, all of the candidates on the ballot are invited to participate April 7 before early voting begins April 22 and Election Day follows May 3.

Local scholarship dollars reserved for Gladewater High School seniors

GISD's seniors are eligible for the Gladewater MLK/ Juneteenth Committee's 2025 scholarship.

A one-time award for graduating seniors at GHS, applicants are considered on the basis of their academic accomplishments and leadership promise.

The latest application is available for print and download via tinyurl.com/gwscholarship2025 and has a deadline of April 7.

In addition to the form itself, applicants should submit three letters of recommendation (from a teacher, coach, minister, employer, community leader or similar) along with an official high school transcript in a sealed envelope.

Scholarship materials should be mailed to: Gladewater MLK/Juneteenth Committee / Attn: Scholarship Committee / 314 Ragdale St. / Gladewater, TX 75647.

Funds are raised through the committees ongoing activities such as the MLK Day Celebration Brunch and Juneteenth festivities.

Blood drive planned in Gilmer

Carter BloodCare of Tyler will hold a blood drive Friday in Gilmer. The event it set from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Credit Union of Texas, 755 U.S. Hwy. 271 North.

All blood types are needed, especially A positive, A negative, B negative and the universal type, O negative, said Carter field recruiter Donna Russell. O negative can be used for any patient, including premature and unborn babies, she noted.

For more information, contact Jacie Watkins at jwatkins@ cutx.org, or Russell at 903-574-4998.

Public Input Sought on Expansion of Digital License and Tag Options for

and Wildlife Department and tagging requirements. (TPWD) is taking public comment until March 26 on would expand digital license

AUSTIN -Texas Parks changes to digital licensing

The proposed amendments and tag options to all recreational hunting, fishing,

TPWD introduced digital licensing and tagging in 2022 for harvested deer, turkey and oversized red drum.

combo license and tag types.

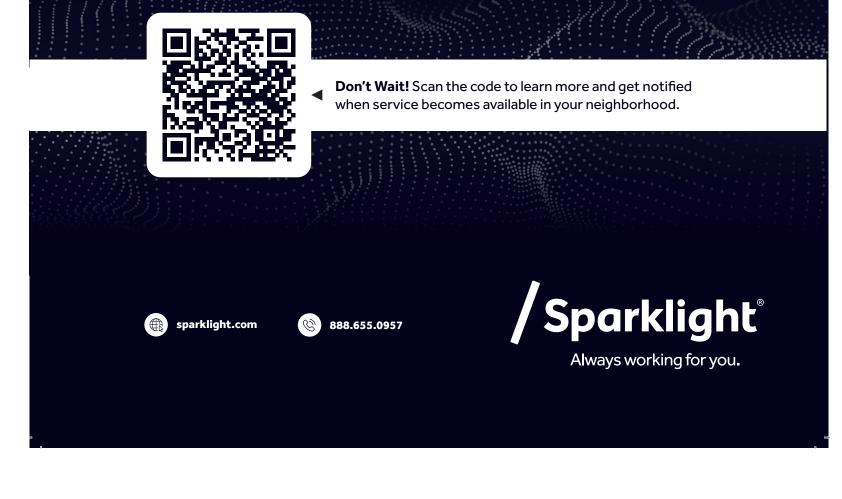
Options have since expanded to allow resident hunters and anglers to purchase a fully digital license for the super combo (Items 111, 117), youth hunting (Item 169) or lifetime combo (Item 990), Hunting (Item 991), or Fishing tags (Item 992). Customers can also purchase other products such as the exempt angler tag (Item 257), bonus red drum (Item 599) and spotted seatrout tags (Item 596).

Additional details on the proposed regulation changes can be found on the public comment page and in the Texas Register.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Commissioners will consider public input before taking action at its March 27 public hearing. Comments on each of the changes can be provided on the TPWD public comment page through 5 p.m. March 26, or contact Chris Cerny at (512) 389-4594, Chris.Cerny@tpwd. texas.gov

TPW Commission will take public comment on the proposed changes at its March 27 meeting in Austin.

Those wishing to provide public testimony must preregister to speak. Public testimony is normally limited to three minutes per person.





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Sports roundup

By Tyler Sutton

The Gladewater Bears baseball team continued their hot start to the season as they headed to Frankston to take part in the Frankston tournament where they had a great showing as they went 3-1 and finished $2^{\rm nd}$ with wins over Tyler All-Saints (7-3), Frankston (7-1) and Cushing (14-0) and a loss in the championship game against Corsicana-Mildred (4-3). In the game against Cushing, Sean Burke tossed a four-inning perfect game at Cushing, striking out two and throwing 25 of his 34 pitches for strikes.

Mason Budro doubled and drove in two runs for the Bears, and Madaxx Vasquez, Landen King, Aubry Floyd, Burke, Preston Bohanon and Alex Villalpando all drove in runs. The Bears now sit at 7-2 on the early season and will next be in action when they open up district play hosting West Rusk. That is followed by heading to Overton to take part in the Overton tournament.

The Lady Bears softball team was also in action with multiple games. Starting with a home game with Grace where they fell in a back and forth contest 9-8. Karlee Moses doubled once and singled twice and Janiah Strickland had three singles and an RBI in the loss for Gladewater. Caydence Martin singled twice and drove in a run. Alayah Gordon had a triple, single and RBI, Makayah Boone a triple and an RBI and Adyson Evans an RBI. Gordon struck out 10 and walked two in seven innings pitched.

They followed that up with making the short trip across town to Union Grove to take part in the annual Memaw tournament where they went 3-2 and finished in 3rd place with wins over Union Grove twice (6-1 and 13-6) and over Big Sandy (9-0) and losses to Tyler Grace and LaPoynor (4-0). Gladewater is now 6-6-1 on the campaign and will next be in action when they open up district play with a home and home series with West Rusk.

White Oak baseball continued their non district schedule as they headed to Grand Saline to take part in a tournament where they went 3-1 and finished 2nd with wins over Mount Vernon (8-7), Scurry-Rosser (4-1) and Palmer (6-0) and a loss to Winnsboro (8-1). I the game against Mount Vernon, the Roughnecks rallied from a 6-4 deficit with a four-run fourth on the way to an 8-7 win.

Kelton Cates worked four innings on the mound, striking out two, walking one and giving up three earned runs.

Nico Soto pitched one scoreless frame. Jaxsen Ludlow banged out four singles and drove in two runs. Will Thomas added a single and two RBI, and Collin Wheat, Braden Callens and Brady Greenwood all drove in runs. Against Scurry-Rosser, In a 4-1 win over Scurry-Rosser, Logan Langewisch fanned nine with two walks and no earned runs allowed in five innings. Ludlow struck out three with no walks in one inning of action. Jordy Robertson doubled, singled and drove in two runs for the Roughnecks.

Greenwood doubled and drove in a run, and Will Thomas chipped in with an RBI. The Roughnecks are now 6-1 overall and will next be in action when they host Beckville then head to Mount Pleasant for a tournament. The Ladynecks softball team opened up district play in great fashion as they traveled to Tatum to take on the Tatum Lady Eagles and came away with a 12-4 victory. Addison McClanahan doubled and drove in two runs and Jaidyn Marshall and Kylie Caraway had two hits and an RBI apiece. Kara Kennedy finished with two hits and two RBI, and Madi Baker collected two hits. Addy Young went six innings in the circle for the Ladynecks, striking out six and walking one. They followed that up with a trip to Franklin to take part in the Franklin tournament where they went 3-2. With wins over Thorndale (5-4), Como-Pickton (11-10) and Coldspring Oakhurst (4-2) and losses to Hamshire-Fannett twice (12-0 and 8-3).

White Oak is now 7-8-1 and will next be in action when they host Jefferson then welcome in Sabine.

Union Grove baseball continued their non district slate of their schedule as they headed to Gary to take part in the Gary tournament where they went 0-2-1 with losses to Woden (7-3) and Gary (5-2) and a tie with Mount Enterprise (5-5).

The Lions are now 1-6-1 on the season and will next be in action when they travel to Cooper and Bogata-Rivercrest. The Lady Lions softball team got closer to finishing up their non district schedule as they traveled to LaPoynor where they fell 4-0.

This was followed up by hosting the annual Melinda " Memaw " Smith tournament where they went 1-2 with a win over Big Sandy (10-1) and two losses to Gladewater (6-1 and 13-6).

The Lady Lions are now 4-4 on the season and will next be in action as they open up district play with a home and home series with Waskom.

The Track season opened up as all three local school's were in meets. Gladewater headed to Mount Pleasant to take part in the Tiger relays. The Lady Bears placed 2^{nd} in the 4 x 1 relay and the 4 x 2 relay, Peyton Hunter also finished 1^{st} in the 100 meter relay and 3^{rd} in the triple jump.

White Oak and Union Grove track were also in action as they both took part in White Oak Derrick relay's in which White Oak won. Tyson McKinney took 1st in the pole vault, Jackson Jowell won the 100 meter dash for boys, Olivia Kutch took 1st in the girls 100 meter, Andee Bridges in the 200 meter, Sophie Fisher in the mile dash, Colin Wheat took 1st in the discus and Dunham also won the shot put.

Union Grove also had a successful afternoon as David Shaver finished 2^{nd} in the 800 meter run and 3^{rd} in the 1600 meter run.

The Lions finished 2nd in the 4 x 200 boys relay and 2nd in the boys 4x400 meter relay. Jace Roberts took home 1st in the long jump and triple jump, Luis Fernandez took home 2nd in the triple jump and Kody Nutt was 4th in the triple jump

Nutt also won the high jump. Morgan Mahan took home 5th in the girls discus and 4th in girls shot put.





Roughneck senior Kyler Priest set a new school record in the pole vault at the Derrick Relays. Former record holder Jared Tuel, the 2006 State Pole Vault Champion, previously held the record at 15'9", but Priest raised the bar to 15'10" to set a new school standard.

Photos by Mike Peery



Landry Harris cruised to victory in the 3200m at the Derrick Relays in White Oak, winning with a time of 13:14.52 for Union Grove. She also earned second place finishes in the 800m and 1600m.



Riley Aiken clears the final hurdle en route to a first-place finish in the 100-meter hurdles for the Union Grove Lions at the Derrick Relays.



Jace Roberts leaped 20'7 1/2" in the long jump to claim the gold medal at the Derrick Relays for the Union Grove Lions.



On the final leg of the 4x100m relay, Tyson McKinney hands off to Jaxsen Ludlow, who powers through to the finish, securing the gold for White Oak at the Derrick Relays with a time of 43.98.

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FRIDAY	3/7	MT.PLEASANT TOURNAMENT	SPRING HILL JV TOURNAMENT	
SATURDAY	3/8	MT.PLEASANT TOURNAMENT	SPRING HILL JV TOURNAMENT	
MONDAY	3/10			LINDALE @ WO (DH) 6PM
TUESDAY	3/11	SABINE @ WO 7PM	SABINE @ WO 4:30PM	
THURSDAY	3/13		WHITE OAK JV TOURNAMENT	WHITE OAK JV TOURNAMENT
FRIDAY	3/14	WO @ SABINE 7PM	WO @ SABINE 4:30PM	WHITE OAK JV TOURNAMENT
SATURDAY	3/15		WHITE OAK JV TOURNAMENT	WHITE OAK JV TOURNAMENT
MONDAY	3/17			
TUESDAY	3/18	WO @ ARP 7PM	WO @ ARP 4:30PM	
FRIDAY	3/21	ARP @ WO 7PM	ARP @ WO 4:30PM	
SATURDAY	3/22	CENTER @ WO 1 PM	CENTER @ WO 11:00 AM	
MONDAY	3/24			ND@WO (DH) 6PM
TUESDAY	3/25	GLADEWATER @ WO 7PM	GLADEWATER @ WO 4:30PM	
FRIDAY	3/28	WO @ GLADEWATER 7PM	WO @ GLADEWATER 4:30PM	
SATURDAY	3/29			
MONDAY	3/31			
TUESDAY	4/1	WO@ WEST RUSK 7PM	WO @ WEST RUSK 4:30PM	
FRIDAY	4/4	WEST RUSK @ WO 7PM	WEST RUSK @ WO 4:30PM	
SATURDAY	4/5			
MONDAY	4/7			
TUESDAY	4/8	WO @ TROUP 7PM	WO @ TROUP 4:30PM	
FRIDAY	4/11	TROUP @ WO 7PM	TROUP @ WO 4:30PM	
SATURDAY	4/12		ALUMNI @ WO 11 AM	
MONDAY	4/14			
TUESDAY	4/15	TATUM @ WO 7PM	TATUM @ WO 4:30PM	
THURSDAY	4/17	WO @ TATUM 7PM	WO @ TATUM 4:30PM	
SATURDAY	4/19			
TUESDAY	4/22			
EDIDAY	4/25			

Gladewater Bear Basebal 2025 Schedule

3/4	*WEST RUSK	HOME	JV/VARSITY	4:30/7pm
3/6-8	OVERTON TOURNAMENT	OVERTON	VARSITY	TBD
3/11	*TROUP	TROUP	JV/VARSITY	4:30/7pm
3/14	*TROUP	HOME	JV/VARSITY	4:30/7pm
3/18	*TATUM	HOME	JV/VARSITY	4:30/7pm
3/20	JV GILMER TOURNAMENT	GILMER	JV	TBD
3/21	*TATUM	TATUM	JV/VARSITY	4:30/7pm
3/22	JV GILMER TOURNAMENT	GILMER	JV	TBD
3/25	*WHITE OAK	WHITE OAK	JV/VARSITY	4:30/7pm
3/28	*WHITE OAK	HOME	JV/VARSITY	4:30/7pm
4/1	*SABINE	номе	JV/VARSITY	4:30/7pm
1/4	*SABINE	SABINE	JV/VARSITY	4:30 <mark>/7pm</mark>
4/8	*ARP **	HOME	JV/VARSITY	4:30/7pm
1/11	*ARP	ARP	JV/VARSITY	4:30/7pm
4/22	*WEST RUSK	WEST RUSK	JV/VARSITY	4:30/7pm

2024/25 Gladewater Softball

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Mar 7	@West Rusk	1800	Var
*Spring B	reak Mar 10 – 14 We ha	ve games during Spring brea	ak (11 & 14)
Mar 11	@Troup	1800	Var
Mar 14	Troup	1800	Var
Mar 18	Tatum	1800	Var
Mar 21	@Tatum	1800	Var
Mar 25	@White Oak	1800	Var
Mar 28	White Oak	1800	Var
*Apr 1	Sabine	1800	Var
Apr 4	@Sabine	1800	Var
^Apr 8	Arp	1800	Var
Apr 11	(a)Arp	1800	Var
Apr 15	BYE	1800	Var

2025 Union Grove High School Softball Schedule						
DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TEAM	TIME		
Friday, March 7	Waskom *	UG	V	5:30 PM		
Tuesday, March 11	Beckville *	UG	V	5:30 PM		
Friday, March 14	Beckville *	Beckville	V	5:30 PM		
Tuesday, March 18	Elysian Fields *	EF	V	5:30 PM		
Friday, March 21	Elysian Fields *	UG	V	5:30 PM		
Tuesday, March 25	Carlisle *	UG	V	5:30 PM		
Friday, March 28	Carlisle *	Carlisle	V	5:30 PM		
Tuesday, April 1	Harleton *	Harleton	V	5:30 PM		
Friday, April 4	Harleton *	UG	V	5:30 PM		
Tuesday, April 8	Overton *	UG	V	5:30 PM		
Friday, April 11	Overton *	Overton	V	4:30 PM		
Tuesday, April 15	Ore City *	OC	V	5:30 PM		
Thursday, April 17	Ore City * ^	UG	V	5:30 PM		

2025 Union Grove High School Baseball Schedule							
DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TEAM	TIME			
Friday, March 7	Rivercrest	Away	V	6:00 PM			
Saturday, March 8	Paul Pewitt (DH)	Home	V	11:00 AM / 1:00 PM			
Monday, March 11	Beckville*	Home	JV/V	4:30/7:00 PM			
Thursday, March 13	Mount Vernon Tournament	Away	JV	TBA			
Friday, March 14	Beckville*	Away	JV/V	4:30/7:00 PM			
Saturday, March 15	Mount Vernon Tournament	Away	JV	TBA			
Tuesday, March 18	Elysian Fields*	Away	JV/V	4:30/7:00 PM			
Friday, March 21	Elysian Fields*	Home	JV/V	4:30/7:00 PM			
Tuesday, March 25	Carlisle*	Home	JV/V	4:30/7:00 PM			
Friday, March 28	Carlisle*	Away	JV/V	4:30/7:00 PM			
Tuesday, April 1	Harleton*	Away	JV/V	4:30/7:00 PM			
Friday, April 4	Harleton*	Home	JV/V	4:30/7:00 PM			
Tuesday, April 8	Overton*	Home	JV/V	4:30/7:00 PM			
Friday, April 11	Overton*	Away	JV/V	4:30/7:00 PM			
Tuesday, April 15	Ore City*	Away	JV/V	4:30/7:00 PM			
Thursday, April 17	Ore City*	Home	JV/V	4:30/7:00 PM			
Tuesday, April 22	Waskom*	Away	JV/V	4:30/7:00 PM			
Friday, April 25	Waskom**	Home	TV/V	1:20/7:00 PM			

2025 WHITE OAK LADYNECK SOFTBALL SCHEDULE							
	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME			
FRIDAY	3/7	JEFFERSON****	HOME	JV 5:00; V 6:30			
TUESDAY	3/11	SABINE*	HOME	V ONLY 6:00			
FRIDAY	3/14	SABINE*	SABINE	V ONLY 6:00			
TUESDAY	3/18	ARP*	ARP	JV 4:30; V 6:30			
FRIDAY	3/21	ARP***	HOME	JV 4:30; V 6:30			
TUESDAY	3/25	GLADEWATER****	HOME	V ONLY 6:00			
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TUESDAY	4/1	WEST RUSK*	WEST RUSK	V ONLY 6:00			
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FRIDAY	4/11	TROUP*	HOME	JV 4:30; V 6:30			
TUESDAY	4/15	TATUM**	HOME	JV4:30; V 6:30			



On Sunday, March 3rd, the White Oak High School National Honor Society held its 2025 induction ceremony in C.C. Simmons Auditorium. During the event, 33 new inductees proudly lit their symbolic candles and recited the NHS pledge, marking their commitment to scholarship, leadership, service, and character.





On Friday February 28, Clarksville City - Warren City Volunteer firefighters responded to a control burn that got out of control. With the assistance of White Oak Volunteer Fire Department, Gladewater Fire Department, and the Texas A&M Forest Service, we brought the fire under control to just 5.5 acres as it began burning into the woods.

The ground is still moist from recent rainfall, but with the winterized vegetation coupled with low humidity, fires are still spreading quickly.

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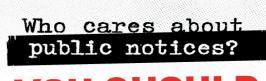
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