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White Oak woman stabbed to death, son arrested New Year's Eve

A 23-year-old White Oak man remains incarcerated in the Gregg County Jail on bonds totaling more than \$1.1 million, accused of murdering his mother.

According to investigators, Penny Renee Keys, 58, was stabbed multiple times, discovered outside her Jamerison Road residence on New Year's Eve. Her son, Zachary Ryan Keys, resides on the same road (according to jail records) though he was arrested in Panola County Dec. 31.

According to a Jan. 2 press release from Gregg County Sheriff Maxey Cerliano's office, deputies were dispatched to a home near White Oak Road on a report of a homicide.

The victim was transported to Christus GSCMC in Longview and later pronounced dead from her injuries.

According to GCSO Chief Deputy Craig Harrington, "Gregg County Investigators responded to the scene and obtained credible information that identified the victim's son, Zachary Keys, as the suspect." Per Friday's release, "Investigators worked quickly to secure an arrest warrant for Zachary on the charge of Murder. Zachary and his vehicle were later located in Panola County where Panola County Sheriff's Deputies took Zachary into custody without incident."

Booked into the county jail's system Jan. 2, as of press time Keys remains jailed on a \$1 million bond for Murder. Additional bonds are tied to charges stemming from 2024, including Evading Arrest or Detention with a Vehicle, Aggravated Assault of a Public Servant, Theft of Property (valued between \$100 and \$750) and Driving While Intoxicated.

Crediting Panola County Sheriff's Office for assistance in securing the suspect's arrest, Harrington noted the investigation into the incident is ongoing, limiting further releases.

"This is an extremely sad and very unfortunate situation during this holiday season," he wrote. "Our hearts and prayers go out to the Keys family and the White Oak community for their loss."



Gladewater firefighters monitor CenterPoint Energy personnel during a gas leak on Eddy Street Dec. 30. Photo by James Draper

Hard-to-find cut-off valve prolongs gas leak on Eddy

By James Draper

If you nick it, they will come – a steady stream of CenterPoint Energy personnel joined local first responders who descended on Eddy Street Dec. 30 to clamp down a one-inch gas line damaged during a routine bit of playground maintenance.

Reportedly, subcontractors for the Gladewater Housing Authority weren't digging too deep that Tuesday morning at the Weldon Homes, just toiling to remove an old swingset. Apparently, as the men extricated the piece of playground

equipment about 12:30 p.m., one of the concrete footings struck a PVC line, granting the gas an escape route.

Neighbors sheltered in place as Gladewater Fire Department and police officers secured the scene.

The cut-off valve proved difficult to locate. First one then multiple units from CenterPoint arrived and struck out on foot to find where to stop the flow as the loud hiss and stench of escaping gas filled the surrounding neighborhood.

Ultimately, the feed was stopped shortly after 2 p.m. and the utility's technicians dug into to repair the break.

WOISD narrows AD/Head Coach candidate pool to 12 names

Ultimately, White Oak ISD collected approximately 60 applications in search of a new athletic director and head coach – about a fifth of the hopefuls will be in the mix during interviews this month.

"We met this morning and have a timeline," Superintendent Jack Parker said Monday. "We're going to spend the next few weeks interviewing people."

"Our goal is to hopefully have someone named by the end of the month."

District officials are still narrowing their list of prospects. The finalist will succeed Michael Ludlow following his late-November resignation after three seasons with the Roughnecks.

Collecting leads from Nov. 21 to Dec. 19, Parker said between eight and 12 will land an interview. He's pleased with the overall count and with the array of candidates in final consideration.

"We've got everyone from current sitting head coaches and athletic directors to offensive and defensive coordinators," Parker added. "We feel really good about our candidate pool; it's a good group of men."

"Not only do they have to be a fit for White Oak, but White Oak has to be a fit for them. That's really what we're concentrating on and looking for."



Dwayne Clanahan sits a spell with his 6-year-old grandson, Owen, Monday on a New Year fishing expedition to Lake Gladewater.

Kilgore College celebrates Liberty City alum turned Hollywood actor

After another busy year in the heights of the film industry, Trevor Newlin recently wrapped up a hard-earned holiday break before heading back to work on projects in Los Angeles.

Granted, the towering East Texan behind the Xenomorph in "Alien: Romulus" and Mr. Handsome in James Gunn's 2025 "Superman" reboot has to stay mum on the details about what's ahead in the New Year.

"A lot of things I can't talk about," the Liberty City native and Sabine ISD alumnus says with a grin and a shrug.

Newlin's also the man behind the mask of The Monstrosity of "Smile 2," and he donned white fur head-to-toe as the Amazon Yeti, Gene Keenan's favorite. A board member for the Kilgore College Foundation, Keenan met up with Newlin and his father, Jeremy, at the KC pedestrian bridge Friday, handing off a long-awaited honor from the school to its movie-making alum.

Newlin was among four distinguished alumni recognized by Kilgore College in May 2025. Committed to projects in LA at the time, Newlin was unable to join in KC graduation exercises alongside the year's other honorees: Sylvia Hoffman, Blue Ribbon Medal of Excellence for Alumni Success; Dr. Charles Whiteside, Blue Ribbon Medal of Excellence for Student Success; and Todd Hancock, Blue Ribbon Medal of Excellence for Student Success.

Keenan (municipal services manager for Republic Services) joined Newlin to pose with the actor's Blue Ribbon Medal of Excellence for Alumni Success Jan. 2 before the actor headed back to the west coast.

Keenan said he's a big fan of Newlin's work in 2024 "Alien: Romulus," but he still chuckles over the local's turn as the Amazon Yeti. Newlin landed the role in the national commercial after a stint as a Wookie in the second season of "The Mandalorian." The Yeti role opened the door to the "Alien" franchise.

Keenan had no idea of the Amazon actor's identity until well after the fact.

"Word got around that was Trevor Newlin, and I said 'What!?' Keenan's admittedly a harsh critic of TV commercials, always ready to mute bad ads, but he always made time for the Yeti's antics: "It was already one of my favorite commercials then I found out it was someone I knew, which made it even better."

He was quick to volunteer to present Newlin with his alumni blue ribbon. According to KC, "The Blue Ribbon Medals of Excellence for Student and Alumni Success are presented by the college at graduation ceremonies to celebrate and honor the partnerships formed between the institution and successful alumni, community members and/or businesses dedicated to the furtherance of KC's mission."



Newlin's quick to praise his years on the KC Theatre stage and the boost the Kilgore College experience gave him.

With particular thanks to KC Theatre Instructor Micah Goodding, Newlin said, "I credit everything to Ki



OPINION/COMMENTARY

I love the unexpected. Don't you?

Jim and I were checking out at Wal-Mart and as the checker scanned yet another paperback book I had thrown in my basket, he said 'what do you like to read?'. There was no one behind us so I started listing favorite authors and genres.

Turns out the checker, a young black man, had two sci-fi books on the shelves he had authored. When I go back I am buying them.

I taught writing to teenagers and I know the importance of words, books, ideas and the impact they can have long after they have been written or said.

You see, words matter. Long, long after they have been written or said they continue to teach and touch us. Or, they can mislead, misinform, hurt and distract. Words are important.

There are many profound words which we dilute to bumper stickers for our cars. If we applied them more powerfully to our lives than just cool labels we like, I think we might have a much better world to live in.

How about we take the time at the start of this brand-spanking new year to sit down and make a list of our favorite words to live by. Then, instead of resolutions, how about if we read our list daily for, oh, say a month and see how it impacts our corner of the world.

I'll share my list with you. Feel free to share yours with me. After a month let me know if our experiment had any impact on your life and those around you. This is a kind of workout for the mind and soul.

Here are just a few of my go to life lessons from scripture, literature, history and movies that stick with me year in and out. I come back to them, carry them with me, use them as a diet for the mind when I need them. Sometimes they come to me when I need them most.

"It's not what you look at that matters, it's what you see." Henry "Courage is being scared to death...and saddling up anyway." John Wayne

"Learning never exhausts the mind." Leonardo da Vinci

"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm." Ralph Waldo Emerson

"All that you can take with you is that which you give away." From movie "It's a Wonderful Life"

"If you are going through hell, keep going." Winston Churchill

"You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream." C.S. Lewis

"It's not enough that we do our best; sometimes we have to do what's required." Winston Churchill

"...after you have done everything, stand." Ephesians 6:13b

"What lies behind you and what lies in front of you,

The Best of Suzanne Bardwell



pales in comparison to what lies within you." Ralph Waldo Emerson

"You gotta laugh to keep from crying." My father, Charles Wayne Brown

"The price of anything is the amount of life you exchange for it." Henry David Thoreau

"Work like you don't need the money. Love like you've never been hurt. Dance like nobody's watching." Satchel Paige

"It's not whether you get knocked down, it's whether you get up." Vince Lombardi

"Not all those who wander are lost." J.R.R. Tolkien

"There is no such thing as work-life balance. Everything worth fighting for unbalances your life. Alain de Botton

"Whoever is happy will make others happy too." Anne Frank

"There is only one corner of the universe you can be certain of improving, and that's your own self." Aldous Huxley

"Wise men speak because they have something to say; fools because they have to say something." Plato

"Opportunity is missed by most because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work." Thomas Edison

"Life is not a problem to be solved, but a reality to be experienced." Soren Kierkegaard

"Blessed are the hearts that can bend; they shall never be broken." Albert Camus

"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts." Winston Churchill

"Life isn't about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself." George Bernard Shaw

"Find a place inside where there's joy, and the joy will burn out the pain." Joseph Campbell

"Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year." Ralph Waldo Emerson

"Never, never, never, never give up." Winston Churchill

And finally, the epitaph I want carved into the stone where I someday lie...the greatest of these is love." I Corinthians 13:13b

Remember my friends, "the secret to having it all is knowing that you already do."

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.

Gary Borders Capital Highlights



New laws taking effect in 2026

A spate of new laws took effect on Jan. 1, The Dallas Morning News reported. Here's a brief summary of the most notable new laws now in force:

- County sheriff's offices are now required to cooperate with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement after the passage of Senate Bill 8. Local jail staff are now authorized to verify the immigration status of inmates and to honor certain federal immigration warrants. A grant program was created by the state to help sheriffs cover training and implementation costs related to the new law.

- Eviction proceedings involving unauthorized occupants must be held in court from 10 to 21 days of filing. Also, the new law limits legal delays occupants may take to avoid eviction.

- With the rapid expansion of artificial intelligence systems into many aspects of daily lives, House Bill 149 established a statewide framework for regulating AI and providing transparency. Companies using AI must notify people when they are interacting with an AI system. The law also created a state advisory group to oversee the implementation of oversight and compliance. Penalties can be assessed for violations of the new requirements.

- The business inventory tax exemption has been raised to \$125,000, cutting property taxes for small businesses that maintain stock. The previous exemption was \$2,500.

Texas small businesses optimistic

Most Texas small-business owners are optimistic about 2026 and expect their businesses to grow, according to a survey conducted by Comerica Bank of roughly 1,000 small-business owners, the Houston Chronicle reported. Nearly 80% expect sales growth this year, and about 70% plan to make capital investments, the survey indicated.

"While the headlines about the economy can be disconcerting, small business owners are telling us that they see much brighter prospects for the part of the economy that touches their business directly," said Comerica Bank chief economist Bill Adams. "That's an encouraging sign that the underlying trend for small business is still solid."

Despite the uncertainty surrounding the impact of tariffs and a slowing of growth in the national economy, Adams said the recent interest rate cut by the Federal Reserve and lower effective tax rates for businesses under the major financial bill passed last summer are encouraging to small-business owners. The state's gross domestic product grew at an annual rate of 6.8% in the second quarter of 2025, compared to 3.8% nationally.

Texas student loan borrowers in default could see wages withheld

Beginning this month, the Trump administration has threatened to withhold wages from borrowers who have not made a student loan payment in the past nine months or longer, the San Antonio Express-News reported. An estimated \$131.9 billion in outstanding student loans are owed by Texans, according to the Education Data Initiative.

The federal Department of Education confirmed recently that it could begin seizing up to 15% of a person's disposable income from his or her employer until the defaulted loan is paid in full or removed from default. Nearly 5.5 million borrowers are currently in default. The pandemic-era pause on repayments was ended by the Trump administration last year.

Critics of the move worry about the effect of garnishing income in the current financial climate.

"At a time when families across the country are struggling with stagnant wages and an affordability crisis, this Administration's decision to garnish wages from defaulted student loan borrowers is cruel, unnecessary, and irresponsible," Persis Yu, director of Protect Borrowers, an advocacy group, wrote in a statement.

IS THERE SUCH A THING AS RIGHT AND WRONG?

Pluralism, relativism, and a perverted tolerance are prevalent in our culture. More and more people do not believe in absolutes, and they advocate that there is nothing absolutely right or wrong and that truth is whatever you believe, and it is ever-changing. Like Pilate, many ask: "What is truth?" (Jn. 18: 38). But common sense tells us there is such a thing as right and wrong. For example, a student can argue from now on with his teacher that two plus two equals five, but it will still be incorrect! It may seem beneficial or encouraging to the student's psyche and ego to believe that two plus two equals five, but the truth is, it is still wrong, and it will always be wrong!

If there is no right and wrong, and if there is no absolute truth, then obviously, for religion to advocate a standard of right and wrong would be ridiculous, wouldn't it? It would follow that one religion is just as good as another one. As one put it: "Religious pluralism is the view that all religions are equally valid as ways to God. Just as there are many paths up Mt. Fuji, so there are many paths to God. Differences among the religions are superficial; they all lead to the same goal."

Determining what truth is cries out for a standard. While there may be many paths up Mt. Fuji, there are not many paths to the Father. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." (Jn. 14: 6). Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life and there are no detours around Him! While there are superficial differences among religions, they do not all lead to the same goal, or to God. So, no, all religions are not equally valid.

Jesus, speaking of God's Word said: "Thy word is truth." (Jn. 17: 17). Psalms 119: 142 says "Your law is truth," and verse 151 says "all Your commandments are truth." Since Jesus is the embodiment of truth, the Word that emanates from Him is truth, and is right, because it is the extension of Him. Thus, the only way one can be free from sin is to know and obey (abide in) His Word (Jn. 8: 31-32). Only then can one "discern both good and evil," and distinguish between right and wrong, (Heb. 5: 14). To say nothing is right or wrong makes God's Word, morality, the Lord's church, and Christianity irrelevant. Think on these things.

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6 former Cowboy head coach, Campo (2000-02)
7 TXism: "nip ___ the bud"
8 a capitol open-air rotunda in the extension building (2 wds.)
17 TXism: "___-horse town"
18 TX Hagman TV film: "Getting ___ All" (1972)
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22 NM & CO tribe
23 parent company of Denton Peterbilt
24 TX McFarland was one as "Sparky"
29 TXism: "hits the ___" (satisfying)
30 TXism: "chew the fat"
31 21st governor: ___ Culberson (1895-99)
32 French actor in "Texas Across the River" (2 wds.)
34 Texas singer and actor, Kristofferson
35 battery terminal (abbr.)
36 TXism: "cute as a ___" (desire)
37 police subduer: ___ gun
38 foot part
39 TXism: "hot as ___"

DOWN

1 TXism: "want it so ___" (desire)
2 TXism: "hard as putting ___ in a windstorm"
3 in Medina County off I-35



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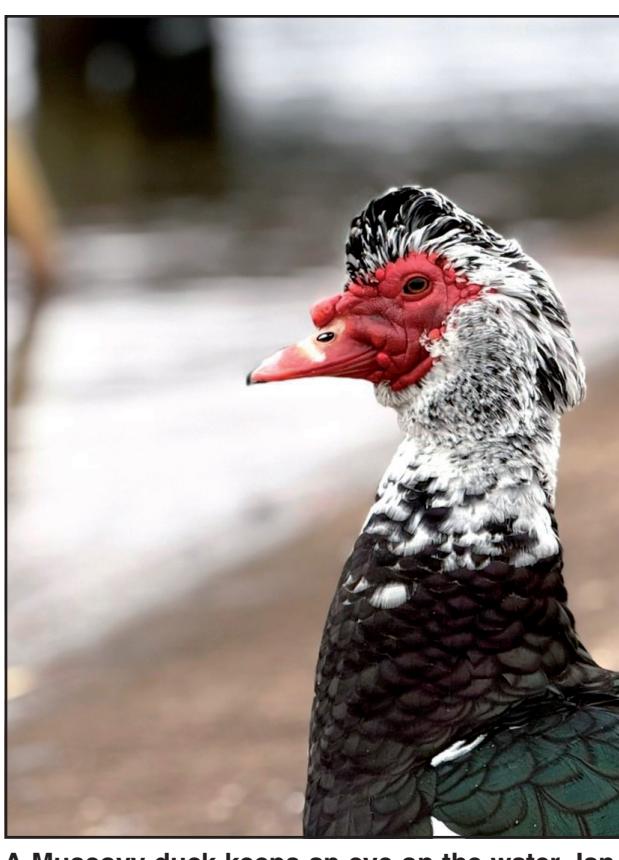
46 ___ Houston was a cruiser that was sunk in WWII
47 actress Dickinson
48 in Dallas: R.L. ___ Freeway
50 crook in "Oliver Twist"
51 TX Foreman win, e.g. (abbr.)
52 TXism: "no flies on ___" (attractive)
53 Astro or Ranger pitcher stat.

4 LBJ's last words were to a secret service ___
9 tattletale (2 wds.)
10 TXism: "smells like ___ dog"
11 ___ Colinas, TX
12 Astro Verlander won the ___ Young Award" in 2022
13 TXism: "house ___ ___" (a gym)
14 "Permian Basin" was named after an area in the Russian ___
15 "Enchanted ___" in Gillespie County
16 cable movie net.
19 TX Shelby worked for this Lee at Ford & Chrysler

20 vandalizes
22 TXism: "put ___ ___ up"
24 TX oil well firefighter "Red" (init.)
25 Ranger/Astro leag.
26 San ___, TX
27 El Paso neighbor: ___ Juarez
28 San ___, TX
29 bed support
30 film that has a Texas Ranger: ___ Grit"

33 equal opport. employer (abbr.)
34 Fort Worth TV station
35 TXism: "have to ___ my mouth to spit" (thirsty)
37 TX Farrs' group: ___ Pioneers"
38 "Lone Ranger's" companion wore ___ cloth
40 slang for "buttocks"
41 gas in fluorescent lighting
44 against
47 Texas has a lot of these mohair goats
49 leaf collector

See Answers On Page 5A



A Muscovy duck keeps an eye on the water Jan. 5 at Lake Gladewater. Fun fact, according to Oklahoma State University, "Muscovies are unique because of their bright red caruncles around their eyes and above the beak. They do not swim much because their oil glands are under developed compared to most ducks."

Photo by James Draper



One of Lake Gladewater's two new automatic gates was installed on Lakeshore Drive over the holidays. The placement of the second is TBD with council members set to weigh in on its final location later this month.

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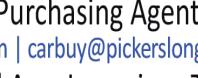
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Short-term rental debate goes long at council ...

After tense exchanges, city charts middle path

By James Draper

Everyone who stood up to speak on short-term rentals had plenty of time at the podium Dec. 18—it made the Gladewater City Council's meeting a bit longer, a bit more contentious, perhaps, but everyone got their say.

More than once, in some cases. Both sides said their piece, at length.

That was the goal, Mayor Brandy Flanagan said during the council's final meeting of 2025: The issue of 'If' or, more likely, 'How' AirBNBs, VRBOs and the like will continue on the shores of Lake Gladewater (and elsewhere in the community) needed to be aired out fully before local elected officials and their legal counsel could really dig into the details and chart a path forward.

"It was important to me to give whatever time," she said, to city and county residents as well as the owners of properties currently being rented on leases held by the municipality. The topic was first discussed in public session in September: "This agenda item has been a three-month time they've been waiting on, and they deserve to all be heard."

With numerous audience members standing by to weigh in, and with the city attorney's clock running, the council moved up their planned Executive Session discussion from the end of the meeting. The elected officials spent a bit more than half an hour in consultation with counsel, Ronald Stutes, before returning to open the mic and relax the typical time limit on speakers.

"The council has been pretty transparent about how we want to come to a middle ground on this," Flanagan said. "We want to allow AirBNB and rentals, but we want to have regulations that protect our residents."

"What we're trying to do is create consistency and create... regulations that protect our residents, protect our lake, but also allow for short-term rentals to be in our city."

Jimmy Paul McMahon, a White Oak resident who rents out his lake home, underscored his careful vetting of would-be renters.

"I'm very strict on who I let on my property," he said. "If they don't have a 4.5 or higher out of 5, I won't entertain it. I have a lot invested in my property and I want it taken care of."

East Lake Drive resident Ed Long emphasized the tourism benefit he's seen through his home-turned-rental.

"We've had probably 25 bookings," he said, "and had no problems with anybody at all."

"They go to town and they buy groceries. They go to the restaurants and eat."

South Lake Drive resident Ken Collyer is leading the charge to restrict rentals, and his frustration was evident last month.

"Did I buy residential property or did I buy commercial property?" he asked. "Are you going to mandate that rentals are ADA compliant? How are you going to collect the hotel tax?"

Likewise for Upshur County Judge Todd Tefteller and lake resident Mike Atkins. Atkins doesn't rent out his lake house, but he's had his fill unpleasant encounters with rowdy renters nearby.

"Far as them going and buying groceries and all, I don't see that," Atkins said. "People walking in my yard at 11, 12, 1 o'clock in the morning... I shouldn't have to put up with this at my home. Would y'all want it next to you? How are you going to monitor all this? Who's going to be the enforcement, is what I would like to know."

The city's mid-process, councilman Kevin Clark said from the dais, just a few feet away from where Stutes was dutifully tracking questions, concerns and complaints.

"Tonight was an interesting microcosm of exactly what we're doing here," Clark said. "Extremely responsible renters... Extremely opposed residents."

The problematic rental-owners were conspicuously absent, he added.

"I don't want someone walking on my property at 1 o'clock in the morning. I promise you, we are taking it all into consideration."

Upshur County road concerns discussed

By Phillip Williams

Upshur County Commissioners Court last week heard four men express concerns about the conditions of the county-maintained roads where they reside.

Three brothers—James Beck, Jerry Beck and John Beck—discussed conditions on Gardenia Road while Ronnie Jeffery cited problems on H. Williams Road.

Precinct 2 Commissioner Dustin Nicholson said the county will work on Gardenia, and look at the situation on H. Williams Road.

James Beck said a tree which fell in a ditch on the edge of Gardenia needed to be cut up with chain saws and removed. Nicholson replied that the county Road and Bridge Department would do ditching work on that road after it works on Snapdragon Road.

When Jerry Beck complained about a "lot of big potholes" in Gardenia, and drivers unsafely going 60 miles per hour there, Nicholson responded that county personnel should come there in January. He told Beck to let him know if they didn't.

Nicholson also noted Sheriff Larry Webb was in the audience of the Dec. 31 meeting where the Becks appeared in Gilmer, and the commissioner said Webb would probably inform a deputy of the speeding.

After his brothers spoke, John Beck said a tree hanging over Gardenia Road needed cutting down. Then Jeffery said the south end of H. Williams Road had "really, really bad" potholes, and that it needed a culvert at the intersection with Gardenia.

Nicholson told him the court would notify the Texas Department of Transportation about potholes on the department's side of the area.

In other business, the court re-appointed several members of the respective boards of the county's two emergency services districts.

They included Scott Mischnick and Raymond Cook in district No. 1, along with Gregg Price and Rita Criswill in district two. All were named for two-year terms.

The court also heard Marion County Judge Leward J. LaFleur, who is overseeing the \$15 million historical renovation of the Upshur County Courthouse in Gilmer, report that the project is on target to be completed by middle to late April.

"Everything's progressing really well," LaFleur assured the court. He added, however, that many windows had to undergo work due to rust and a "whole lot of corrosion."

He also said the fifth floor, which decades ago housed the county jail and living quarters for the sheriff, will be "unrecognizable from its prior life." It will house the misdemeanor division of District Attorney Barry Clark Wallace's office.

In other business, after discussing the matter in closed session, the court approved letting County Auditor Connie Williams' office contract with Group M7 Design of Tyler/Longview to design and host the county's website.

The Texas Association of Counties has been handling the website, but raised its price, said one county official. Williams said the price for M7's design is \$15,000 with a yearly hosting fee of \$1,200.

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All of the following properties being located in Gregg County, Texas and each property being more particularly described on an instrument recorded in the Volume and Page (V__/P__) or document number (Doc #) or instrument number (Inst #) of the Deed or Official Records of Gregg County, Texas

022313-CCL2

Gladewater Independent School District v Earnestine Tyron et al

Lots 4 & 5, Block 7, Mallock Addition and part of alley (V1602/P549) Acct #53708

022404-CCL2

Gladewater Independent School District v Bruce Earl Daniels

All of Lot 27 & the North 12.5' of Lot 28, Block 1, Bellwood Addition (V658/P388) Acct #000036082/ G655209

022471-CCL2

Gladewater Independent School District v Rick Dwayne Jackson et al

8.64 Acres, more or less, out of the W. W. Avery Survey, Abstract 231, being only that portion of 9.971 Acres (Inst #201011308) Acct #000011049

022800-CCL2

Pine Tree Independent School District v Revenge of Lands, LLC

0.536 Acre, more or less, out of the I. C. Skillern Survey, Abstract 4, and being part of Block 4, Key Bunt Addition (Inst #202123403) Acct #000184128

023117-CCL2

Pine Tree Independent School District v Wolfe Creekside LLC

All of the properties listed below are located in the Creekside Townhouse Subdivision (Inst #202215142):

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TRACT 5: Lot 5, Block 1, Acct #000039450

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TRACT 10: Lot 10, Block 1, Acct #000039455

TRACT 11: Lot 11, Block 1, Acct #000039456

TRACT 12: Lot 12, Block 1, Acct #000039457

TRACT 13: Lot 13, Block 1, Acct #000039458

TRACT 14: Lot 14, Block 1, Acct #000039459

TRACT 15: Lot 15, Block 1, Acct #000039460

TRACT 16: Lot 16, Block 1, Acct #000039461

TRACT 17: Lot 17, Block 1, Acct #000039462

TRACT 18: Lot 18, Block 1, Acct #000039463

TRACT 19: Lot 19, Block 1, Acct #000039464

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TRACT 30: Lot 30, Block 1, Acct #000039475

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TRACT 52: Lot 52, Block 1, Acct #000039497

TRACT 53: Lot 52-A, Block 1, Acct #000039498

TRACT 54: Lot 53, Block 1, Acct #000039499

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Sports roundup

By Tyler Sutton

The Gladewater Bears basketball team had their final non district game pre new year's as they headed to Hughes Springs and came away with a dominant 70-44 victory. Micah Timmons poured in 34 points to go along with six steals. Jase Timmons had eight points and six rebounds for the Bears. Landen King finished with seven points, seven rebounds and five steals, and Destin Sheridan chipped in with six points and six rebounds. That was followed up by a trip to West Rusk to open up district play where they came away with a 59-49 victory. Timmons had another big game with 18 points and 6 rebounds.

The Bears are now 8-8 and 1-0 in district play and will next be in action with a home game against Troup followed by heading to Tatum.

The Gladewater Lady Bears continued their hot start to district play as they headed to West Rusk and came back with a dominant 72-45 win. Paytin Thompson led the way with 21 points, Khera Lincoln (19) and Kamila Turner (18). Turner added nine rebounds and two assists for the Lady Bears. Kizyah Miles had two points, seven rebounds and four steals, Thompson four rebounds, six assists and two steals, Lincoln four rebounds and three steals, Beatrice Nasados four points and five rebounds and Britney Vite six points, four rebounds, two assists and five steals.

The Lady Bears sit now at 3-12 and 2-0 in district play. They will next be at home as they host Troup. Followed by heading to Tatum.

The White Oak Roughnecks finished up their non district schedule as headed to Rivercrest to tak part in the Rivercrest tournament and went 5-1 and were runner's up. With wins over Mount Vernon (52-26), Winnsborro (43-41), Miller Grove (51-15), Quitman (50-38), Rivercrest (62-27) before falling to Winnsborro in the Championship game (54-42). Campbell Sutton had 19 points, Andrew Rector eight, Jackson Steele seven, Cal Jester and Caleb Watson five apiece, Tysen McClain four and Dominick Jackson two against Mount Vernon. Against Winnsboro, Mac Smith hit the game-winner with six seconds showing on the clock, finishing with 19 points. Sutton had 14 points and 12 rebounds, Rector six points and McClain and Jackson two apiece. Mac Smith scored 20 points, Campbell Sutton and Tysen McClain 10 apiece, Cal Jester seven, Andrew Rector two and Jackson Steele one in the win over Quitman. McClain had 11, Rector and Sutton 10 apiece, Smith eight, Scout Solis, Caleb Watson and Dominick Jackson five apiece and Steele four in the win over Miller Grove.

White Oak is now 11-12 on the season and will next be in action opening up district play with a trip to Sabine followed by hosting Arp.

The White Oak Ladynecks basketball team was in action

for their final non district game of the season pre new year's as they took on Prairiland and fell 54-24.

The loss drops White Oak to 10-15 on the campaign and they will next jump back into district play with a trip to Sabine followed by hosting Arp.

The Union Grove Lions basketball team wrapped up the calendar year of 2025 by traveling to Joaquin and coming away with a 59-35 win. That was followed by hosting Hawkins in their district opener and falling 84-39.

The Lions are now 6-11 on the season and 0-1 in district and will next be in action with a road game at Harleton before hosting Big Sandy.

The Union Grove Lady Lions Basketball team continued their hot start to the season as they wrapped up their non district slate with a pair of pre new year's games. Starting with a road trip to Paul Pewitt where they came away with a 52-18 win. Shaniya Roland scored 15 points to pace Union Grove, which led 11-7 after one quarter and 20-11 at the half before outscoring Paul Pewitt 32-7 after the break. Danica Vestal had nine for Union Grove. Mallorie Cannon added eight, Landri Sirmans seven, Emma Dabreu six, Mia Mullican four, Chloe Hector two and Aubree Coulter one. That was followed by a 75-43 win over West Rusk which was also a historic win as Union Grove head coach J.B Littlejohn picked up his 500th career win as a head coach. Rachel Potter added 10 points for Union Grove, which led 26-14 after one quarter and 43-23 at halftime. Chloe Hector, Mallorie Cannon and Danica Vestal all added eight points, Aubree Coulter six, Emma Dabreu four and Amelia Mullican two. Finally the Lady Lions were back in d district play to kick off 2026 hosting Hawkins and just for the second time this season were defeated 41-35.

The loss drops the Lady Lions to 18-2 and 1-1 in district action. Next up is a trip to Harleton and a home game vs Big Sandy.

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Jan 16 / 6:15 PM VS West Rusk White Oak White Oak, TX	White Oak White Oak, TX	--
Jan 20 / 6:15 PM VS Troup White Oak White Oak, TX	White Oak White Oak, TX	--
Jan 23 / 6:15 PM AT Tatum Tatum Tatum, TX	Tatum Tatum, TX	--
Jan 27 / 6:15 PM VS Arp Arp Arp, TX	--	--

VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL SCHEDULES 2025-2026

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Jan 16 / 5:00 PM VS West Rusk INV, JV, V, V8 (4:30, 5:30, 6:30, 7:45) HS gym White Oak, TX	HS gym White Oak, TX	--
Jan 20 / 5:00 PM VS Troup	HS gym White Oak, TX	--



Former Gladewater Bear Kolin Lewis signed with the Oklahoma State Cowboys on Monday. The junior played his first two seasons at North Texas before entering the transfer portal on Dec. 30. As a freshman at North Texas, Lewis played in 10 games and made one start. He posted 13 tackles and one pass deflection. As a sophomore, Lewis played in 13 games and made one start. He recorded 15 tackles, two interceptions, a fumble recovery and three pass deflections.

Lady Bear Basketball Schedule				
Date	Opponent	Site	JV	Varsity
Dec. 20	Troup*	Away	5:00	6:15
Dec. 26-28	Hawkins Tourney	Away		TBA
Jan. 3	Tatum*	Home	4:00	6:15
Jan. 7	White Oak*	Away	5:00	6:15
Jan. 10	Sabine*	Home	4:00	6:15
Jan. 14	Arp*	Home	4:00	6:15
Jan. 17	Bye			
Jan. 21	West Rusk*	Away	5:00	6:15
Jan. 24	Troup*	Home	4:00	6:15
Jan. 28	Tatum*	Away	5:00	6:15
Jan. 31	White Oak*	Home	4:00	6:15
Feb. 4	Sabine*	Away	5:00	6:15
Feb. 10-11	Bi-District	Away	TBA	TBA
Feb. 13-15	Area	Away	TBA	TBA
Feb. 20-22	Regional tournament	Away	TBA	TBA
Feb. 27- March 1	State Tournament	Away	TBA	TBA

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Jan. 9 (F) VS Arp 5:00 PM	@ Tatum (*) VS White Oak (*)	Away JV/Varsity	4/5/615/730pm
Jan. 13 (T)	@ Sabine (*)	Home JV/Varsity	4/5/615/730pm
Jan. 16 (F)	@ Arp (*)	Away JV/Varsity	4/5/615/730pm
Jan. 20 (T)	Bye (*)	Away JV/Varsity	4/30/615/730pm
Jan. 23 (F)	VS West Rusk (*)	Home JV/Varsity	4/30/615/730pm
Jan. 27 (T)	@ Troup (*)	Away JV/Varsity	4/5/615/730pm
Jan. 30 (F)	VS Tatum (*)	Home JV/Varsity	4/30/615/730pm
Feb. 3 (T)	@ White Oak (*)	Away JV/Varsity	4/30/615/730pm
Feb. 6 (F)	VS Sabine (*)	Home JV/Varsity	4/30/615/730pm
Feb. 10 (T)	VS Arp (*)	Home JV/Varsity	5/6/615/730pm
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Texas launches Lone Star Coins and Modern Texas Redback Gold Notes

AUSTIN — Acting Texas Comptroller Kelly Hancock today announced the inaugural release of Texas Lone Star Coins and Modern Texas Redback Gold Notes, a new program administered through the Texas Bullion Depository that offers authorized commemorative precious metal products to investors and collectors.

"Texas has a long tradition of independence and fiscal stewardship," Hancock said. "These new products reflect that spirit, combining enduring Texas symbolism with precious metals of the highest purity. The Texas Lone Star Coins and Modern Redbacks offer Texans and others a unique opportunity to own precious metal products that honor the state's rich heritage. They are meticulously crafted under



the direction of the Texas Bullion Depository and the state of Texas."

Texas Lone Star Coins and Modern Texas Redback Gold Notes will be made available through the Texas Bullion Depository and through major national coin and bullion retailers. Additional details, including purchasing information, are available at TexasBullionDepository.gov.

Created by the 84th Texas Legislature in 2015, the Texas Bullion Depository is the nation's first state-administered precious metals depository and operates as a division of the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. The new commemorative coin and gold note programs represent the next evolution of the Depository's mission to provide Texans with secure, transparent access to and storage of precious metals.

"This new program is designed to commemorate the history and spirit of Texas while also introducing a new audience to the services provided by the Texas Bullion Depository," said Depository Administrator Macy Douglas.

Texas Lone Star Coins

The inaugural 2025 Texas Lone Star Coins feature an iconic design and will be released in three versions:

- 2025 Texas Lone Star 1 oz Gold Bullion Coin
- 2025 Texas Lone Star 1 oz Gold Proof Coin
- 2025 Texas Lone Star 1 oz Silver Bullion Coin

Struck in .9999 fine gold or .9999 silver and produced to the highest minting standards, Texas Lone Star Coins are designed to be timeless, official in appearance and instantly recognizable. While not legal tender, the coins are made from pure precious metals that serve as a store of value.

Each Texas Lone Star Coin features a permanent reverse design showcasing the Texas Official Coat of Arms, an emblem first adopted by the Republic of Texas in 1839. Encircling the design are inscriptions including "THE STATE OF TEXAS," the year of issue, and "FRIENDSHIP," reflecting the origin of the name Texas from the Caddo word tejas.

The obverse of the inaugural 2025 release features a detailed relief map of Texas, highlighting the state's diverse geography — from the Davis Mountains in West Texas to the Coastal Plains and Gulf Coast shoreline. Future releases may introduce new obverse designs, metals and fractional weights beginning in 2026.

Modern Texas Redback Gold Notes

In addition to the Texas Lone Star Coins, the Comptroller's office announced the Modern Texas Redback Gold Notes, inspired by promissory notes issued by the Republic of Texas in the late 1830s.

Unlike their historical predecessors, the modern Redbacks are crafted with intrinsic value. Each note contains a precise, verifiable layer of 24-karat gold deposited onto a durable polymer substrate. The notes are issued in three weights:

- 5 centigram (cg) — featuring the Texas longhorn, the state's official large mammal
- 20 cg — featuring the dome of the Texas State Capitol
- 100 cg — featuring the Alamo
- Each Modern Texas Redback Gold Note is individually numbered and bears the seal of the state of Texas, along with the signatures of the governor and acting comptroller. Modern Redbacks are collectible precious metal products and are not legal tender.

"These products showcase Texas history, craftsmanship and independence," Hancock said. "They are designed to endure — just like the values they represent."

Gladewater Council faces narrow road to restrict liquor stores

If the Gladewater City Council opts to curtail local liquor store developments in the future, the push will likely come through zoning.

There's already a comprehensive update in the works for local planning maps, so

it's becoming another To Do for the future.

"I sort of believe we should hold off until we get our zoning correct," council member Milton Anderson said last month.

"I agree with that," Sonny Anderson echoed.

"The market's going to dictate overall," councilman William Blackmon said. "Will the market be in favor of the citizens?"

In Summer '25, the council took steps to curb two lo-

cal spirits-centered projects

then, finding no support

in current codes, walked it

back.

Months later, after consulting with Gladewater City Attorney Ronald Stutes, the group generally agreed to a soft pause on the topic Dec. 18.

"We really can't ordinance this out," Mayor Brandy Flanagan said, following up on concerns about the proliferation of such businesses. "It's pretty much just

through zoning that you can correct this issue.

"It's caused cities to try to figure out loopholes for this," and she's conferring with City of Longview personnel following a similar zoning constrictions there.

"I don't think it would hurt to talk to them," councilman Stoney Stone said.

It sounds like a Specific Use Permit issue, Stutes added.

That said, "You can't discriminate against it... Liquor is a special deal because the state legislature said TABC is the sole entity that regulates them and cities can't."

From council member Kevin Clark, what about special business licenses? Separation distances? A cap on the number of such operations?

No-starters for Stutes.

"In the short term, while we explore this, can we put a moratorium on new liquor stores?" Clark asked.

"There is a very specific process for moratoriums under state law," Stutes replied.

"It sounds like a fair start," Clark said, "with the governing entity that's responsible... then we'll work our way down and see what fits."

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