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GISD \$8.1M bond passes

By James Draper

It's 'Aye' for Gladewater ISD's \$8.1 million bond.

According to initial data released Saturday, 351 out of 479 total Prop A voters supported the measure in the Spring 2026 election cycle — that's 73.2 of the turnout.

Per GISD, "The improvements focus on safety enhancements, student experience improvements and facility upgrades across the district. The bonds will be issued with a 15-year term and are not expected to increase the current tax rate."

Elsewhere on the ballot, incumbent Cori Arevalo received 59.01 percent of 466 votes to win the GISD Place 5 trustee race (see separate story in today's issue).

The numbers come from

unofficial results released by Gregg County May 2 following the 7 p.m. close of polling after 12 hours of election day voting. Gregg spearheads the tally, which includes ballots from Upshur County and Smith County as well.

Returns will be canvassed by Gladewater ISD School Board members during a special called meeting May 12.

In a press released from the school, "We feel so grateful to our community for approving the plan that will impact the learning environment of every student in our district," Supt. Rae Ann Patty said. "We appreciate the trust our voters have placed in us and are dedicated to being responsible stewards of these resources as we move forward with these improvements for our students

and staff."

It's intended to cover a range of capital investments including a broad, state-mandated upgrade to the district's school bus fleet as well as HVAC upgrades, campus maintenance and beautification, updated safety measures, enhancing GISD radio and intercom systems, replacing chillers and boilers at Gladewater High School as well as building a Pole Barn for Ag students' use. Other projects are attached as well.

As far as the school's bus fleet is concerned, "The district operates 26 buses covering 26 routes, which also support field trips and extracurricular activities," GISD reported, with buses traveling an average of 170,000 miles each year. "Many in the cur-

rent fleet are more than 20 years old and lack seat belts.

"Approximately 800 Gladewater ISD students, nearly half of the district's enrollment, ride a bus to and from school each day and will benefit from the upgrades."

Gladewater ISD Election — Unofficial Results

Gregg County | May 2, 2026

REGISTERED VOTERS	BALLOTS CAST	TURNOUT	POLLING PLACES REPORTING	REPORTING		
3,314	485	14.63%	2 of 2	100%		
School Trustee — Place 4						
Candidate	Absentee Voting	Early Voting	Election Day Voting	Provisional Voting	Total Votes	Percent
Chris Thompson	29	259	126	0	414	100.00%
TOTAL					414	100.00%
School Trustee — Place 5						
Candidate	Absentee Voting	Early Voting	Election Day Voting	Provisional Voting	Total Votes	Percent
Emily Anderson	18	104	69	0	191	40.99%
Cori Arevalo	11	186	78	0	275	59.01%
TOTAL					466	100.00%
Proposition A						
Choice	Absentee Voting	Early Voting	Election Day Voting	Provisional Voting	Total Votes	Percent
FOR	15	236	100	0	351	73.28%
AGAINST	19	60	49	0	128	26.72%
TOTAL					479	100.00%

As explained by GISD officials, the new bond issue fits within the margin already paid down on the principal in the district's 2014 bond. Existing payments will continue through 2045 while the new issue will be paid off within

15 years.

Overall, the 485 total votes reported between early voting, election day and absentee accounts for 14.63 percent of 3,314 registered voters in GISD — Gregg, Upshur and Smith combined.

Charges pending after April 16 shooting off Hwy. 271

A 38-year-old Gladewater man was shot in the wee hours of April 16 when he reportedly dropped by his cousin's house and ended up in an argument with a lodger on the same property.

The man, who has not been named while Gladewater Police Department case remains open, was apparently hit by buckshot from a small-caliber shotgun.

He was eventually transported to Christus Good Shepherd with non-life threatening injuries and released soon after.

No charges have yet been filed nor any of the parties identified:

"The case is being sent to the Gregg County District Attorney's Office for consideration," GPD Chief Kyle Ready confirmed.

From reports on scene, the man is cousin to the woman who owns the home on the property. He was reportedly shot by her boyfriend who resides in a shed on the same plot of land in the 1500 block of North Main Street (Hwy. 271).

The female resident transported the gunshot victim to another family member's house outside the Gladewater City Limits before police officers were notified of the shooting.



Gladewater's Kingston Sheffield is looking to repeat his 2025 state champion performance in the UIL 3A Boys' Triple Jump competition in Austin, after winning at Regionals last week and setting a meet record of 50'2.5. Lady Bear Peyton Hunter won first place and gold in Girls 100 meter dash, with teammate Jordynn Davis taking silver. Photos by Chris Jones



Trest wins re-election to WOISD Place 4

Voters in White Oak ISD returned Place 4 incumbent David Trest for another term according to unofficial results released Saturday evening.

Facing a challenge from school board newcomer Mason Stone, Trest netted 85.21 percent of 142 votes cast in the Spring 2026 race for Place 4, including a combined 74 early voting decisions, 18 absentee and another 50 on Election Day, May 2.

The ballot included two uncontested races as well, and there were 143 votes cast overall. It's a turnout of 3.22 percent of 4,446 registered voters in the district.

Incumbent board president Lance Noll and vice president Stephanie McKinney were unopposed in their re-election bids for Places 5 and 3, respectively. Out of the total turnout, 134 voters weighed in for Noll and 135 checked the box for McKinney.

White Oak School Board members will canvass the results later this month.

There were no contested seats for White Oak City Council. Mayor Kyle Kutch will soon begin a new term alongside councilmen John Frazier and Kevin Hood.

Scam costs locals \$1M

By Phillip Williams

Upshur County Sheriff Larry Webb on Sunday warned citizens about a scam which he said has resulted in persons posing as Apple Pay representatives swindling county citizens out of \$1 million.

"Over the past several months, our county has experienced a significant increase in fraud cases," including the Apple scam, he said on his office's Facebook page. After explaining how that hoax works, he outlined several steps to avoid falling for scams.

"Victims are contacted and told that a bank employee is stealing money from accounts," Webb wrote. "The caller sounds professional and convincing, creating a sense of urgency. They instruct victims to 'protect' their money by transferring it into different accounts to assist with an investigation," the sheriff said.

White Oak ISD Election — Unofficial Results

Gregg County | May 2, 2026

REGISTERED VOTERS	BALLOTS CAST	TURNOUT	POLLING PLACES REPORTING	REPORTING		
4,446	143	3.22%	2 of 2	100%		
School Trustee — Place 1						
Candidate	Absentee Voting	Early Voting	Election Day Voting	Provisional Voting	Total Votes	Percent
Stephanie McKinney	16	72	47	0	135	100.00%
TOTAL					135	100.00%
School Trustee — Place 4						
Candidate	Absentee Voting	Early Voting	Election Day Voting	Provisional Voting	Total Votes	Percent
Mason Stone	9	8	4	0	21	14.79%
David E. Trest	9	66	46	0	121	85.21%
TOTAL					142	100.00%
School Trustee — Place 5						
Candidate	Absentee Voting	Early Voting	Election Day Voting	Provisional Voting	Total Votes	Percent
Lance Noll	16	71	47	0	134	100.00%
TOTAL					134	100.00%

Letter Carrier food drive this Saturday

Each year, letter carriers across the country head out on their routes on the second Saturday in May to collect donations of non-perishable food items to benefit local food pantries.

Since launching in 1993, the National Association of Letter Carriers' annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive has grown into the nation's largest one-day food drive, helping to fill the shelves of food banks in cities and towns throughout the United States.

The need is great, but you can help. We invite you to join letter carriers and our partner organizations in the fight to end hunger in our communities by participating in the annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive.

Simply leave your donation of non-perishable food in a bag near your mailbox on the second Saturday in May, and your letter carrier will do the rest.

LETTER CARRIERS' FOOD DRIVE
SECOND SATURDAY IN MAY
 PUT YOUR NON-PERISHABLE DONATION IN A BAG BY YOUR MAILBOX. WE'LL DELIVER IT TO A LOCAL FOOD BANK.

OPINION/COMMENTARY

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

Planted in love...

My Blackland Prairie roots are calling me. It is a beautiful spring day and I am stuck behind a computer with huge plate glass windows in front of me which frame the trees swaying in the wind. Even the dandelions growing through the cracks in the sidewalk in front of our office look beautiful to me.

I want to put on my softest, oldest, holey jeans, my most well-washed t-shirt, and grab a spade and start digging. I want to plant rose bushes, caladium bulbs and anything bright. I want to bask in the sun and turn from a pasty-faced office drone into the golden girl used to be from hanging in the sunshine with dirt under my fingernails.

When I was a toddler to about 8-years old I spent a lot of time at my great-grandparents' farm and I remember the flowering plum trees, the huge fern that grew next to the house that survived winters that had snow drifts, the chinaberry tree over the chicken house that was the arsenal to the chinaberry wars my cousins and I enthusiastically fought with one another.

I remember my grandmother's (Mam'maw's) Day Lillies blooming beside her home. When my grandparents passed away I dug up hose bulbs and brought them to East Texas and planted them in what was our lawn next to a tree our son planted.

The Day Lillies had been planted on my grandparents' farm way down in the mud, south of Mexia and moved with them to Retreat outside of Corsicana. I imagine that before that they were brought from Illinois in a covered wagon.

My Nanny Brown, the homemaker who became a widow at 50 and a career nurse a short time later, always had Mimosa trees and a magnolia, so I do as well. Nanny's 'people' came to Texas by way of Oklahoma from Mississippi. I wish I had that accent. You know, he one that sounds like this: "I went down to the rivah but the watah was too cold to take a swim." So genteel.

I sound like a field hand from the back 40 with my country accent.

The Best of Suzanne Bardwell



This wilted southern flower is so sad that she didn't get the accent to go along with her grandmother instilled southern manners.

My Momma's irises succumbed to drought before I could liberate them to East Texas although I do have a few of Mam'maws which were Mom's Iris source as well, so maybe I do 'have' them after all.

I remember the fragrance of what my Great-Aunt Spike called tea roses. I have substituted Knockouts near my sidewalk which remind me of their perfume. Aunt Spike's real name was Ida but my Daddy nicknamed her Spike when he was a kid in bib-overalls made out of flour sacks. That nickname stuck through four generations. Everyone should be so lucky as to have an Aunt Spike.

The dirt I dig in here is red, not black. But the memories remain regardless of the soil they are planted in. Roots cultivated by loving hands across the decades and generations.

Roots that grow deep, deep, wherever they are planted. The heirloom plants are just a reminder of where, and more importantly from whom, I came.

From Illinois, Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia and Virginia they made their way to Texas. Before that my people came from England, Scotland, Ireland, France and Germany as immigrants who came here to take a better life for their children.

And they did. For those roots I am very, very grateful.

Gary Borders Capital Highlights



High gas prices eating into budgets

The average price for a gallon of gasoline in Texas has risen from \$2.55 in early February to \$3.91 as of Sunday, according to AAA. Diesel prices hover around \$5 a gallon. The average Texan now spends \$233 a month on gasoline, according to a study reported in The Texas Tribune.

"It's all crazy," Victor Cortez, a 40-year-old Austin construction worker, said while filling up his pickup truck. "It depends on the day; some days I'm moving to three or four buildings and spending 100 bucks a day."

The steep climb in prices comes as a result of the war with Iran, which began in February. The closure of the Strait of Hormuz, through which 20% of the world's oil passes, has caused a sharp increase in oil prices. The price of a barrel of Brent crude, the world benchmark, was \$114 on Sunday, up from about \$70 a barrel before the war began.

The rise in diesel prices, which averaged \$3.30 a gallon in early February, is affecting everything from shipping costs to farming operations. About half the truckers in Texas are independent operators who buy diesel at gas stations and truck stops and don't receive the discount that large companies with their own trucking yards get for buying in bulk.

Camp Mystic will not reopen

Camp Mystic announced last week that it had withdrawn its application for a camp license for this summer, according to the Austin American-Statesman. The decision followed a week of hearings before a joint Senate-House committee, which heard testimony from the loved ones of last summer's flood victims. The July 4 flooding along the Guadalupe River killed 25 children, two counselors and the camp's longtime owner, Richard "Dick" Eastland.

"No administrative process or summer season should move forward while families continue to grieve, while investigations continue, and while so many Texans still carry the pain of last July's tragedy," the camp wrote in a statement.

The Texas Department of State Health Services, which is responsible for issuing camp licenses, conducted investigations. The camp has been planning to reopen its Cypress Lake campus, which was not damaged by the flash floods. More than 850 children have already registered to attend that camp.

Talarico leads Cornyn, Paxton

A poll shows Democrat James Talarico leading both the Republicans who are locked in a fierce runoff to determine who will face him in November, the Houston Chronicle reported. Talarico led U.S. Sen. John Cornyn 40% to 33%, according to the University of Texas at Austin Politics Project survey. He holds a 42% to 34% advantage over Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton. In both scenarios, 19% of voters said they were still undecided.

"While the Democratic candidate leading two established Republicans in these matchups is sure to raise some eyebrows," the pollsters wrote, the results "reveal a Republican electorate still registering the effects of the months-long, bruising, negative campaigning by Paxton and Cornyn, and the GOP divisions the race has exacerbated."

Paxton and Cornyn face each other in a May 26 runoff because neither secured a majority in the March primary. Early voting runs from May 18 to May 22. Voters who cast ballots in the Democratic primary cannot vote in the GOP runoff. Only voters who participated in the GOP primary or did not vote at all can vote in the GOP runoff.

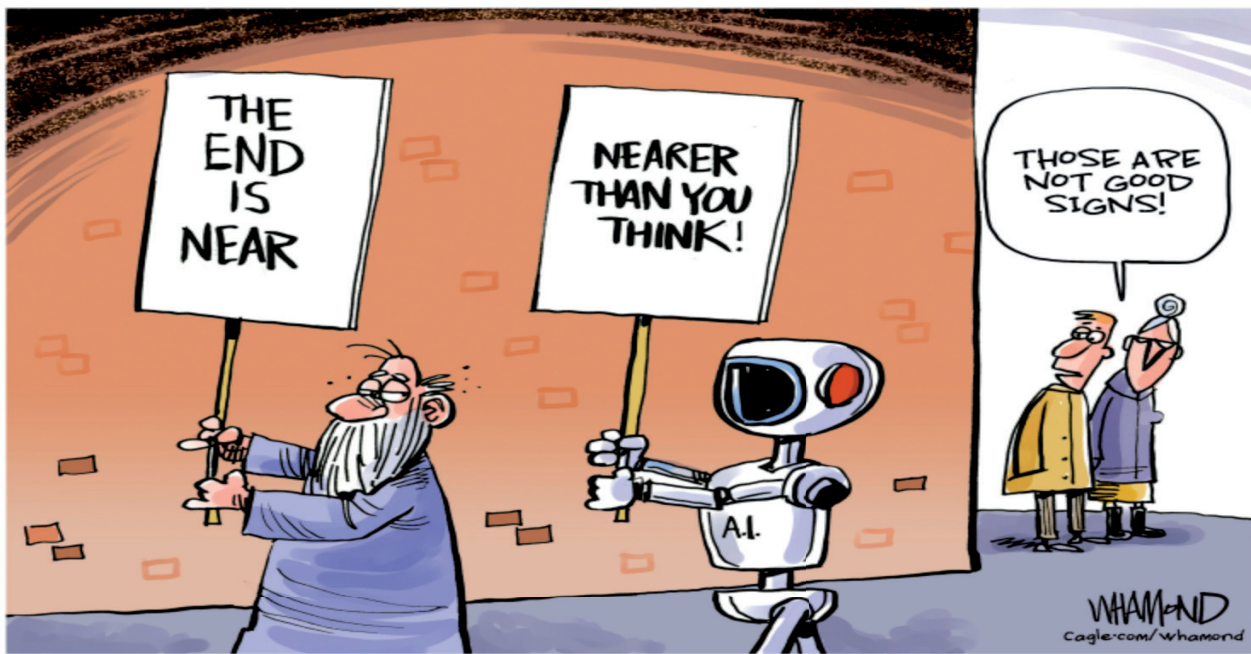
\$56M in rural health care

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission is making \$56 million in federal funding available to rural health care providers. The "Infrastructure and Capital Investments for Rural Texas" initiative will support modernization of rural health care delivery by funding new equipment and minor facility renovations.

Health care providers can use the funds to "update lab, CT scan, ultrasound, or mammography equipment; stretchers, wheelchairs, patient beds, telemetry units, nurse call systems, generators, defibrillators, crash carts, medication dispensing units, sleep labs, vital sign monitors, oxygen tanks, and other allowable equipment," according to the HHSC news release.

The state is expected to receive about \$1.4 billion in federal

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Cracks in the Cartel

In 1960, five major oil producing countries (Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and Venezuela) formed the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC). The idea was to coordinate production to stabilize prices, countering market power then held by large multinational oil companies. OPEC is a cartel, which is simply a group of independent businesses or countries that collude to fix prices or output. As production by non-OPEC members (especially the United States) has risen, the ability to control prices has been somewhat diluted, but OPEC remains a powerful force.

In the 1970s, OPEC members restricted supply during the Yom Kippur War, causing global crude prices to surge. The organization has maintained significant pricing power since that time and has added other members, including the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Nigeria, Angola, Algeria, and Russia (the "+" in OPEC+). It currently controls about 35-40% of global oil production and 70-80% of proven reserves.

For geeks like me, the mathematics of cartels is fascinating (and inherently unstable). They only work if every member cooperates, yet each country has an individual economic incentive to cheat. For example, if members decide to cut supply to raise prices, any country which secretly produces more receives more revenue. The countries in OPEC+ have very different national priorities and resources; as a relatively rich country, Saudi Arabia can often afford to produce less, whereas less affluent members frequently need immediate cash. There aren't really enforcement mechanisms other than political pressure, and internal disagreements are both common and inevitable. Countries join voluntarily in the hopes of higher and more stable prices (and, thus, more revenue), but short-term national objectives can change.

Dr. Ray Perryman THE ECONOMIST



Recently, the UAE has indicated that it will leave OPEC, which would allow it to decide its own production levels. Investments in infrastructure could then be optimized, with no worries about quotas or opinions of other members. The UAE's action would not collapse OPEC, but it would reduce overall market share and possibly encourage other countries to reevaluate their positions.

If multiple countries leave, it may become difficult for the cartel to be sustainable. Without quotas, there would often be incentives to pump as much oil as possible, likely causing prices to fall. There could even be a price war, where major producers try to drive others out of business. Over a longer horizon, prices might be set by the market alone, with cycles and instability becoming more common.

Even in the unlikely scenario in which OPEC totally collapses, major players are likely to continue to (at least implicitly) work together due to the mutual benefits of cooperation. However, there are cracks in the cartel, and it will be interesting to see if anything breaks. Stay safe!

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NO GUARANTEE OF TOMORROW

If you know about exercising by running and jogging, you probably remember the name of Jim Fixx. If you keep up with the diet books you may recall a physician named Stuart Berger. If you're familiar with Prevention magazine you probably know the name J. I. Rodale. What is interesting about these men is that they all died. Jim Fixx wrote a popular book about the health benefits of running and died of a heart attack at age 52—while he was running. Dr. Stuart Berger wrote a once-popular book about nutrition and weight loss,

and died overweight at age 40. And magazine publisher, and preventive health advocate, J. I. Rodale, died at age 72, while making a television program, shortly after predicting he would, live to be 100.

I mention these little oddities to illustrate the fact that none of us have a guarantee on tomorrow. I'm not discouraging taking care of one's health, but even if you eat all of the right foods and none of the wrong ones, and even if you exercise in just the right way, and even if you become an expert on nutrition, and even if you take all the right vitamins and minerals it still won't guarantee tomorrow! Proverbs 27: 1 says: "Boast not thyself of tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth." First Timothy 4: 8 says: "For bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come." This passage speaks of a sense of proportion. Bodily and physical exercise is beneficial and has limited value. By way of contrast, godliness is profitable and of value in every way since it holds promise for the present life and for life to come. Hence, it blesses us now and prepares us for eternity. Sadly, many today are more concerned with bodily health than spiritual health.

*"Whether we are old or young, not one of us can say
Just when will come to each his final earthly day;
Thus, while this life is ours, Lord, may we now prepare,
So, death may never come and take us unaware."*

Pretty good advice, don't you think? Think on these things.

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- 5 state org. for school athletic directors
- 6 Lake Texoma is man-_____
- 7 TXism: "strike _____ the band" (start)
- 8 TXism: "sit up and _____ right!" (behave)
- 9 TXism: "_____ a doornail"
- 15 in 1953, Texas golfer Ben Hogan won the "_____ Hickok Award"
- 16 TXism: "busier than _____ fry cook"
- 19 historic Burton, TX building: "_____ Shoe Shop"
- 21 prefix meaning relating to nerves
- 22 TXism: "numerous as ants _____ worm"
- 27 soldiers who have resumed active status (abbr.)
- 28 TXism: "mean as _____ cougar"
- 29 TXism: "wash with your _____" (mind your own business)
- 30 get under a tree?
- 32 noted Texas rancher, Goodnight (init.)
- 33 "Lone _____" started in 1909 (natural gas)
- 36 TXism: "blind as _____"

- 37 TXism: "table grazed"
- 38 Texas-born "Cinco de Mayo" general, Zaragoza
- 39 TXism for "left quickly"
- 41 polite Texas response to a man: "yes, _____"

- 42 a person who buys and sells Texas-based stocks
- 45 it gets Texas skiers up some slopes
- 46 Texas singer, Tanya (init.)
- 47 "_____ the Explorer"
- 48 TXism: "_____ fruit" (eggs)
- 49 zigzagged on skis
- 52 TX Audie Murphy's conflict (abbr.)
- 53 "La _____ del Rey" in Hidalgo County
- 54 Boerne's historic "_____ Kendall Inn"
- 55 George H.W. to George W. (abbr.)

DOWN

- 1 she was TV's "Mary Richards" (init.)
- 2 Buna football class
- 3 Cottle County seat

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funding over the next five years through the program supporting rural health care.

Patrick against prediction markets

Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick has directed state senators to explore ways to close gambling loopholes that allow online prediction markets to operate in Texas, according to The Tribune. He is concerned that state elections and sporting events could be manipulated for profit.

Prediction markets allow users to bet on outcomes of everything from sporting events to election winners, and even the weather. The Trump administration has blocked attempts by other states to regulate the prediction markets, such as Kalshi, claiming oversight belongs to federal agencies, not the states.

"We are regulated at the federal level, but of course, given now the popularity of prediction markets, we are doing a lot of educating on the state level," said Sara Slane of Kalshi. "That's the dialogue that we'll envision having, certainly, in the state of Texas."

While 39 state attorneys general signed on to a legal brief arguing the Commodity Futures Trading Commission doesn't have sole authority to regulate the prediction markets, Paxton declined to do so.

Texas cities dominate 'best' list

Several Texas cities dominated the top spots in Livability's new ranking of the most affordable, desirable cities to live in the U.S., according to the Statesman. The list includes only cities with populations between 75,000 and 500,000 and median home values of \$500,000 or less.

Factors considered included economy and housing; amenities and environment; safety, health and education; and transportation.

Texas cities in the top 10 were Sugar Land at No. 3; Plano at No. 5; Round Rock at No. 9; and New Braunfels at No. 10.

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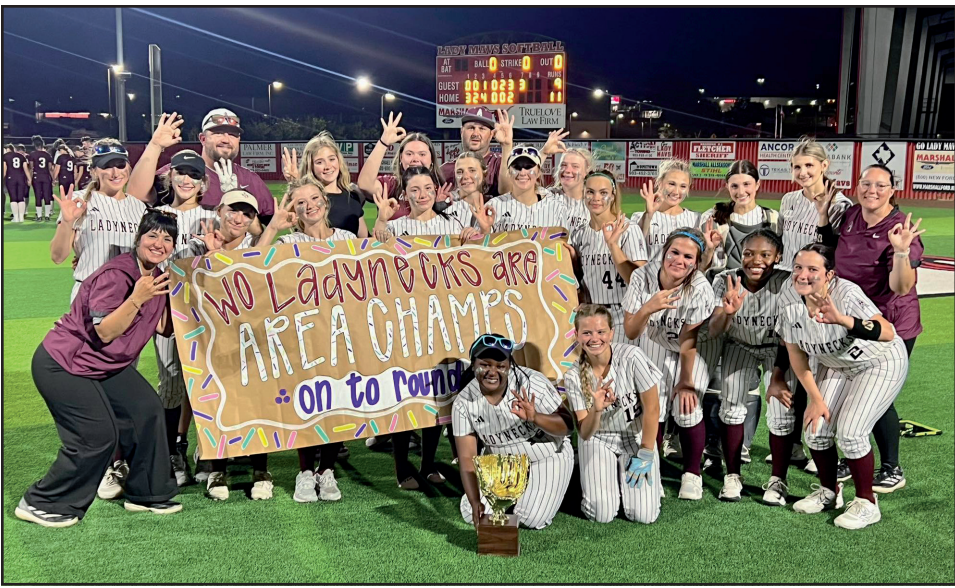
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Sports roundup



By Tyler Sutton

It took all 3 games, but the White Oak Ladynecks softball team defeated a very good Atlanta Lady Rabbits team 2-1 Monday night to advance to round 3 of the playoffs.

In game 1 in Marshall, White spread the offense around scoring at least one run in every inning but one in route to a 5-1 victory. In game two, Atlanta was able to bounce back with a 11-6 victory.

The Lady Rabbits jumped out to a 3-2 lead after one inning. White Oak got within 5-4 with a pair of runs in the 2nd inning but a 4 run 3rd inning for the Lady Rabbits was the difference in the game. In the winner take all game 3, The Ladynecks wasted no time jumping out to a 6-0 lead after 2 innings. It was 9-1 Ladynecks after 4. Atlanta would not go down without a fight as they put up 3 pieces in the 6th and 7th innings but White Oak added just enough insurance runs to win it 11-9. White is now 33-7 on the season and will play Whitesboro in Round 3. Times and location to be announced at a later date.

The Gladewater Bears base-

ball team made quick work of the Malakoff Tigers in their first round playoff series as they swept the best of three series 2-0.

In game one of the series that was played at Brook Hill school in Tyler, the Bears jumped out early and never looked back in a 10-1 win. Malakoff actually led after half an inning 1-0 but Gladewater quickly tied it at 1 in the bottom of the 1st with a rbi ground out from Landen King.

The Bears took the lead in the bottom of the 2nd with a Mason Budro rbi triple. Gladewater added on in the bottom of the 3rd with a rbi single from Luke Brown fresh off his commitment to Grayson College and a two run double by Budro. Maddox Vasquez went the distance on the mound going 7 innings giving up just 1 unearned run with 5 strikeouts and 3 walks. Game two was more dominance from Gladewater as they won it 5-0. Holding Malakoff to just 2 hits in the shutout.

The Bears win the Bi-district and move on to round 2 and a best of 3 matchup with New Diana in Longview at Pine Tree's stadium.

White Oak Baseball had no problem in their opening round playoff series as they swept Edgewood 2-0 in their best of 3 bi-district series. In game 1, it was scoreless until the bottom of the 6th when the Roughnecks put 4 runs across. Jordy Robertson drove in 2 with a pair of hits and Nico Soto drove in 1 with a hit. In game 2, it was slugfest but White Oak did just enough

to advance with a 12-10 victory. Robertson had 2 more hits and Levi Sipes drove in 3. The Roughnecks advance to the Area round and a matchup with New Boston.

The Union Grove Lady Lions postseason magic continued as they rallied from losing game 1 to defeat Detroit and move on to Round 3 of the softball playoffs.

The Eagles took game one in a nailbiter 3-2 to go up 1-0. But Union Grove bounced back by winning two games in one day winning game 2 (11-4) and shutting out the Lady Eagles 9-0 in game 3 to advance.

Union Grove will play Joaquin in the quarterfinals with a trip to the state semifinals on the line in a best of 3 series. Dates and location to come.

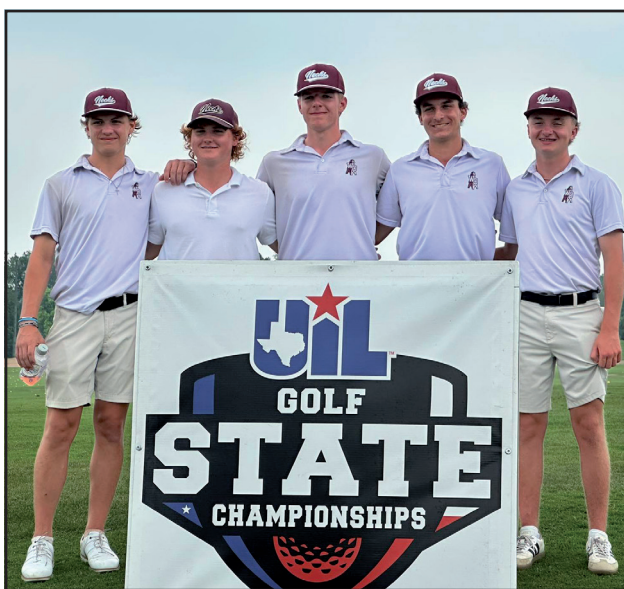
State track tickets were on the line for the Gladewater Bears as multiple athletes punched their tickets to the state track meet in Austin in

Mid May. Those include:

Gladewater Track:
Peyton Hunter- 100 meter dash- 12.16 seconds
Jordynn Harris- 100 meter dash- 12.20 seconds
Girls 4x100 relay team- 47.90 seconds

Micha Timmons- Boys long jump 22.01
Kingston Sheffield- 22.00
Kingston Sheffield- triple jump- 50.02

White Oak Track:
Boys 300 meter dash- Jaxsen Ludlow- 50.21



Congratulations to White Oak High School's Boys Golf Team — 4th in state in Class 3A - Carson Rhodes, Brady Prazak, Brody Callens, Campbell Sutton and Noah Procell.

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The White Oak Economic Development Corporation and the White Oak City Council have approved an incentive to grant \$195,000 to Rick's Sign Company LLC for the purpose of renovation. The grant reimbursement will be made after receipts have been turned in.

The White Oak Economic Development Corporation and the White Oak City Council have approved an incentive to grant \$25,000 to Industrial Lubrication Services, LLC, for the purpose of remodeling office space. The grant reimbursement will be made after receipts have been turned in.

The White Oak Economic Development Corporation and the White Oak City Council have approved an incentive to grant \$50,000 to Jucy's Hamburger, for the purpose of purchasing the building located at 106 U S Hwy 80.

Funding for said project shall occur after the expiration of 60 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.



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Notice is hereby given that letters of guardianship for the person and estate of JAMES PHILLIP HURST, an incapacitated person, were issued on April 13, 2026, in Docket No. 2026-0078-E, pending in the County Court at Law No. 2, Gregg County, Texas, to SHARON KIMBERLEY HURST, Guardian, as guardian of the person and estate.

The residence of Guardian is in Gregg County, Texas, and the mailing address is: Guardian of the person and estate of JAMES PHILLIP HURST, c/o SHARON KIMBERLEY HURST, 2210 Robbinwood Lane, Longview, Texas 75601.

All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

SIGNED on April 13, 2026.

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Notice is hereby given that letters of guardianship for the person of LOUIE JACK WISDOM, an incapacitated person, were issued on March 17, 2026, in Docket No. 2025-0159-E, pending in the County Court At Law No. 2 Gregg County, Texas, to HOLLY HANSON, Guardian, as guardian of the person.

The residence of Guardian is in Gregg County, Texas, and the mailing address is: Guardian of the person of LOUIE JACK WISDOM, c/o HOLLY HANSON, 165 Mallard Cove Lane, Longview, Harrison County, Texas 75602.

All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

SIGNED on April 22, 2026.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of March, 2026, Marc J. Magids was appointed as Independent Administrator with Will Annexed of the Estate of John Alvin Schreiber, deceased pursuant to the Order of County Court at Law No. 2 of Gregg County, Texas in Cause No. 2026-0047-E, that he qualified on March 9, 2026 and that Letters of Administration were issued to Marc J. Magids on March 9, 2026.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby requested to present the same within the time prescribed by law to:

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The White Oak Economic Development Corporation and the White Oak City Council have approved an incentive to grant \$195,000 to Rick's Sign Company LLC for the purpose of renovation. The grant reimbursement will be made after receipts have been turned in.

The White Oak Economic Development Corporation and the White Oak City Council have approved an incentive to grant \$25,000 to Industrial Lubrication Services, LLC, for the purpose of remodeling office space. The grant reimbursement will be made after receipts have been turned in.

The White Oak Economic Development Corporation and the White Oak City Council have approved an incentive to grant \$50,000 to Jucy's Hamburger, for the purpose of purchasing the building located at 106 U S Hwy 80.

Funding for said project shall occur after the expiration of 60 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.



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Gladewater Garden Club members visit the Arboretum April 15, including Janel Garnet, Nancy Holly, Diane Richardson and Mo Cuke. The group's "tea for next year's beginnings and the close of the year" is set for noon Monday, May 18, at the Gladewater Gardens clubhouse. The public is invited to help bring the 2025-2026 activities to a close: "Come have fun with us!"

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Congratulations to White Oak Speaking Team for a great evening at Edgewood!

Ag Tech and Comm Grand Champion: Jaidan Johnson; Senior Creed Speaking: Grand Champion: Merritt McMahon ; Ag Business Reserve Champion: Jacklyn Tuttle ; Soil Stewardship: Reserve Champion: Athen Turner ; Animal Science Reserve Champion: Merritt McMahon ; Natural Resources Reserve Champion: Harlie Dollison ; Natural Resources 3rd Overall: Jed Tuttle ; and Junior Prepared: 4th Overall: Kaydance Love



Well-wishers cheer Diane & Kevin Clark on their respective retirements from Gladewater ISD. Gathering with friends, family and community members Sunday afternoon in The Byrd's Nest, the Clarks each received State of Texas resolutions from District 1 Sen. Bryan Hughes for their decades in education and public service.

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ArmorTex Roofs was founded with one goal in mind: honor Christ in all we do and put love for people over profit. We will always advocate for our neighbors and will always stand for truth and what is right: that is the seed we intend on planting, and we are bringing faith back to the roofing industry in Texas - one roof at a time. We hope they overtime, this seed will not only blossom, but that it will flourish, and change the state of roofing forever. We believe attention to detail is imperative, and that means even what may seem like the smallest of details. After 12 years in the roofing industry, I have worked just about every position you can think of, and I have worked for just about every type of company you can think of: through this experience, I have seen it all, and it has taught me 2 things. The right way to do business, and the wrong way to do business. That is why I want to share some helpful information that could not only save you thousands of dollars but also save you from stress and anguish. Our fruit produces calmness, and we'd like to show you that there is a different way.

I have seen many roofs over the years that have little to no damage, and homeowners were told they needed replacement and to file a claim. Insurance is there when it is needed, and when claims like this slip through the cracks of the insurance claims system, it costs everyone in the long run with higher premiums and stricter regulations. Here are 7 very helpful tips to confront this issue so we can keep Texas, Texas, and so that we can help protect your insurance premiums from sky rocketing even further in the air than they already have:

- 1.) Request a report and photo evidence of the damages the contractor is seeing. Ask them to explain to you exactly how extensive the damage is and if it compromises the entire roofing system, or if it is just a few shingles. If they lead with fear, steer them out the door: many use scare/fear-based tactics because fear is easy to use for a quick sale.
- 2.) Request an estimate. Get it in writing: if it is worth the contractors time, they will provide you with a written estimate, not just tell you to file a claim on a blind prayer and a false promise. This also keeps you in control of your insurance claim payout if the damages warrant a claim: that's the way it is intended to be done. After all, you paid your premiums, and it's your insurance policy.
- 3.) If they have to pressure you to do it and make you feel like you have to act right then, and you do not have any gaping holes in your roof or have not had any leakage, does it really require that kind of urgency? No: stand firm in that fact, and do not let the relentless tactics get to you. You don't have to sell what's rooted in integrity and truth — it instead can be served with excellence!
- 4.) Sign up for an annual or 2 year inspection program. At ArmorTex Roofs, we offer a free maintenance program to our customers, and while doing this, we document your entire roof system to ensure there is a photo trail for when you do encounter and must navigate through damages. We also seal off any exposed nails and problem areas we see for free: it's the right thing to do, and we already up on your roof anyway.
- 5.) NEVER sign a contract before insurance has approved. If you accidentally find yourself in this position, you have 3 business days to cancel, and it's also good to keep in mind that most of these are contingency agreements that are not worth the paper they are written on. It's just another sales tactic to make you feel like you're locked in break those chains and do not let anyone deceive you.
- 6.) Make sure they are a part of a group bigger than just themselves, something that holds them accountable: organizations like the Better Business Bureau are a great example.
- 7.) Make sure that whoever is on your roof is properly insured to protect you against any liability.

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