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The Polk County Garden Club recognizes the winners of their 2015 flower show.

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**422 laid off in temporary Walmart closure**

*Major plumbing issues cited as reason for shutdown*

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LIVINGSTON -- Walmart employees were given just hours of notice before the Livingston store closed its doors Monday for an undetermined amount of time.

In a handout entitled "Associate Frequently Asked Questions — Career Transition Information," the reason

given for the closure was "water leaks in the plumbing" that "create drainage issues for critical areas of the store, which impact our ability to serve customers."

The transition that the 422 employees were told of Monday will be permanent in nature, according to documents from Walmart Market Manager Eddie Barron. Layoffs of 258 full-time and 164 part-time workers will be im-

mediate.

The document continues, saying, "We do not expect to reopen within six (6) months."

The Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act requires that an employer under certain defined circumstances provide advance notice to employees who are impacted by a loss of employment to give them adequate time to transition to

new employment.

However, Walmart has made the decision to continue to pay associate wages and benefits in lieu of the advance notice. The payments will be for 60 days for those who choose not to transfer, well over the law's requirement.

All impacted associates will be on active, paid leave status on the payroll through June 19. Severance pay will be based on the previous

12-week period for each employee and contingent upon the execution of a waiver and release of claims.

If they are eligible due to length of service and full-time employment status, employees may be entitled to receive severance package of one week's pay, per year of service. Part-time employees are not eligible for the severance package, but will receive the 60 days of pay.

All employees will have the ability to transfer to other stores in the area, presumably to Woodville, Cleveland, Lufkin or Huntsville, with the closest nearly 30 miles away in Cleveland.

When the store reopens, all employees will have the opportunity to apply once again, but jobs will not be guaranteed.

A written statement from Walmart spokesperson Anne Hatfield said the decision for closure came after an appraisal of the structure.

"As part of an effort to ensure all of our stores are fully serving the needs of our customers, we regularly assess the conditions of our stores. Due to ongoing plumbing issues that will require extensive repairs, we are tempo-

rarily closing the Livingston store. We will immediately begin the process to address these issues and intend to reopen the store as soon as all of the plumbing issues are resolved. Deciding to close a store is not a decision we make lightly, but after careful consideration, we felt it was necessary to make these repairs so we can better serve our customers and the community in the long run."

Four other Walmart locations have also closed its doors, citing the same setback. The stores are located in Midland; Tulsa, Okla.; Brandon, Fla.; and Pico Rivera, Calif.

The photo, optical and pharmacy departments at the local store will continue to operate for a limited time. The photo department will be in front of the store one week to allow shoppers to retrieve pictures.

Optical and pharmacy customers will have a two-week window to complete transactions until the store reopens. The times for the departments will be 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. on Sunday.

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ENTERPRISE PHOTO BY ALBERT TREVINO

**BARE LOT** — The Livingston Walmart parking lot looked bare Tuesday morning after the doors were closed for an indefinite period on Monday night. The pharmacy and vision center will continue to operate for two weeks to give customers time to make other arrangements.

**Walmart closure will impact county budget**

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LIVINGSTON -- News of the closure of the Livingston Walmart sent shock waves through local government Monday as they prepared for a loss in sales tax income during the coming months.

Polk County Judge Sidney Murphy reported to the county commissioners Tuesday that she is in the process of trying to determine how big an impact the closure will be on the county's current budget, which is already reeling from the loss of income from the IAH detention center contract.

"I have been in contact with the comptroller's office to try and determine how

much sales tax income we are going to lose but any loss at this time is a problem," she said.

The Livingston store was shut down at 7 p.m. Monday although the pharmacy and vision center will remain in operation for 14 additional days.

Last month the commissioners began tightening up their control on spending after it was announced the county is expected to lose at least \$600,000 in income previously expected from the IAH Adult Detention Facility located near Livingston. The facility houses illegal immigrants being detained by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) but cutbacks in the number of inmates being held and changes in the

contract with the county are being blamed for the loss of county income.

Murphy indicated that the loss of sales tax income from Walmart will not be on the same scale but it would add to the existing budgetary problems.

During the meeting, commissioners went over the list of new employees being hired by the county as well as the list of promotions, questioning their need. While the list was finally approved, Murphy told all county department heads that they need keep spending and promotions to a minimum.

"Right now I'm trying to save jobs," she warned, indicating that layoffs might be needed if spending cannot be reduced.

She noted the information she received from Walmart officials indicated the Livingston store could be closed for six months while work to correct major plumbing issues is underway.

"We're also looking at 420 or so people who have

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**Workforce Solutions plans special sessions**

LIVINGSTON -- In response to the temporary closure of the Livingston Walmart store, Workforce Solutions of Deep East Texas will hold two special sessions dealing with Workforce Center services on Monday, April 20, at the Polk County Commerce Center in Livingston.

The 422 employees who have been laid off by the

closure are invited to attend either the 10 a.m. or 1 p.m. sessions. The commerce center is located at 1017 Highway 59 North Loop in Livingston.

Topics to be discussed include unemployment insurance, employment opportunities, application/resume assistance, childcare information and training information.

**Mother charged with endangering child**

LIVINGSTON -- A 29-year-old Livingston mother was free under a \$10,000 bond this week after being charged with abandoning or endangering a child.

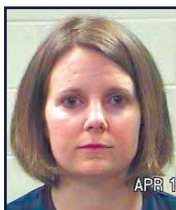
Julie Anne Floyd surrendered to Polk County sheriff's deputies Friday after a warrant for her arrest was issued. Bond was set by Pct. 4 Justice of the Peace Jamie Jones.

According to Sheriff

Kenneth Hammack, officers received a 9-1-1 call on Monday, March 30,

concerning a 10-month-old child left unattended in a vehicle for about three and a half hours.

People attending to the child prior to the arrival of



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medical personnel described the infant as lethargic, very red and hot to the touch.

The child was taken by ambulance to CHI St. Luke's Health Memorial hospital in Livingston for treatment. After receiving fluids, Hammack said the child was released.

After an investigation, an arrest warrant was issued for Floyd's arrest.



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**BLOOMING CONTEST** — This display of annuals, biennials and perennials was among the sights during the annual Polk County Garden Club's Flower Show on Saturday. For additional photos and information, see page 2A.






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**Quotation**

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**Harold B. Lee**

1899-1973-

U.S. Mormon clergyman

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Polk County: Home of Travis Gibson

# Flower show features 'America the Beautiful'

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LIVINGSTON -- With the theme "America the Beautiful," the Polk County Garden Club's annual flower show used some of the lyrics from the song by Katherine Lee Bates for their designs.

"Amber waves of grain," "spacious skies," "above the fruited plain" and "across the wilderness" brought out the spirit of America and the talents of the 24 entries at the design division of the show held at the First Presbyterian Church fellowship hall on Saturday April 11.

Judges for the event were treated to a luncheon after they marked their selections and returned to the church hall at noon.

The club was federated in

1948 as a member of both the National and Texas Garden Clubs District III, Southern Zone. Judges for the event were Vicki Brown and JoAnn Walker from Grapeland, Christine Fincher of Jacksonville, Anne Brown from Tyler, Nell Anderson and Pam Sykes from Hemphill, all certified by the association.

In Class I the Amber Waves of Grain designs first place went to Shirley Vannoy, second to Patti Meyer, third to Shirley Haley and fourth to Irene Childers.

In Class II, using the Fruited Plains theme, the Design of Excellence and Designers Choice Award as well as first place went to Mabelle Smith, with Betty Weatherford in second, Joanie Anderson in third and Mary Vogt in fourth.

The Class III Across the

Wilderness was won by Marian McWhorter with Leanne Harrison in second, Jeanne Fergus in third and Pam McDonald in fourth.

The Pedestal Arrangements, Class IV, used the Blue Skies theme and first place was earned by Shirley Vannoy, second went to Betty Weatherford with honorable mentions going to Shirley Haley and Patti Meyer.

In Class V, the TriColor award and first place went to Bobby Cox, second to Debbie Svoboda, third was Lynette Sikora and Patsy Miller received honorable mention.

The final group, Class VI, used From Sea to Shining Sea as their theme and it was won by Pam McDonald, Maybelle Smith was second and Mary Vogt third with Sharon Neuman receiving honorable mention.



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**HORTICULTURE AWARDS** — Awards went to (L-R) Betty Weatherford (Horticulture Excellence & Grower's Choice) with her spring cactus, Lynelle Sikora (Award of Merit & Grower's Choice) with her Louisiana iris and Peperomia, Shirley Haley (Grower's Choice) with her fig tree.



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**CLASS I WINNER** — Shirley Vannoy took home first place in the Amber Waves of Grain design class.



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**CLASS II WINNER** — Mabelle Smith won first place as well as the Design of Excellence and Designers Choice awards



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**CLASS III WINNER** — Marion McWhorter received home first place in the Across the Wilderness design class as well as the People's Choice Award.



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**CLASS IV WINNER** — Shirley Vannoy won first place in the Blue Skies design category.



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**CLASS V WINNER** — Bobby Cox took home first place and the Tri-Color Award for her entry.



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**CLASS VI WINNER** — Pam McDonald won first place in the Sea to Shining Sea design class.

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**PEOPLE'S CHOICE** — Marion McWhorter won the People's Choice Award at the garden club's horticulture show with her mock orange



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**JUDGES** — Certified judges for the Polk County Garden Club's annual flower show included (L-R) Vicki Brown, JoAnn Walker, Christine Fincher, Anne Brown, Nell Anderson and Pam Sykes.

# Official Records

## DISTRICT COURT 258th and 411th judicial districts

**Delinquent Tax Docket**  
Polk County vs Bryan Stuteville, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs the Estate of John H. Pierce, deceased, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs the Estate of Jeanette M. Meuth, deceased, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Shelley Dickerson, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Janice Birge, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs R.L. Johnson, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Bobby R. Allen, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Carlton Herbert, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Harold Roden, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Patricia Roof, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Julia A. Murphy, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Dwight D. Sweat, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Donald Hudepohl, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Dorothy De-

lores Smith Moore, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Trudie Lee Taylor, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Wesley R. Brown, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Dorothy Mae Taylor, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Johnny Allen Baulch, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Larry G. Roberds, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Edgar Loredo, suit for delinquent taxes.  
Polk County vs Carolyn Wyatt Gordon, et al, suit for delinquent taxes.  
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## JUSTICE COURT Precinct 2

**Judge David G. Johnson presiding.**  
**Criminal Docket**  
Coel Barnes, failure to appear.  
Justin David Barnes, no driver's license.  
Terry Eugene Lawson, assault by physical contact/family violence.  
Chase Remington Burks, failure to appear.  
Jason Wayne Grimm, violate promise to appear.  
Kimberly Kay Schram, assault by physical contact/family violence.  
Devlin Bryce Crooks, vio-

late promise to appear.  
Donald Edward Weiss, failure to appear.  
Kristina Lee Duke, driving while license invalid.  
Jeffrey Andrew Bryant, no driver's license.  
Edward Allen Dobson, no driver's license.  
Sophia Anntonett Burr, possession of drug paraphernalia.  
Gregory Wesley Wyatt Jr., no driver's license.  
Terry Ryan Hamilton, public intoxication.  
Rebecca Lacy Foster, no driver's license.  
Christof Layne Harris, no driver's license.  
Shannon Sylvaine Sanchez, driving while license invalid.  
Michael Ray Holman, driving while license invalid.  
Gary Allen Powell, driving while license invalid.  
Cara Place, parent contributing to non-attendance x 3.  
Raymundo Alejandro Lopez-Aguilar, no driver's license.  
Justin Kenneth Ryans, failure to appear.  
Shea Deanna Null, driving while license invalid.  
Christopher James Page, driving while license invalid.  
Brian Lee Cunningham, failure to appear.  
Shawn Allen Kervin, failure to appear.  
Elaine Holder, violate promise to appear.

Summer Leigh Rasco, violate promise to appear.  
Michael Louis Schulz, failure to appear.  
Jessica Torres, violate promise to appear.  
Cheryl Lynn Ragain, driving while license suspended.  
Eric Trevino, no driver's license.  
Kalob Devon Hadnot, conditional bond violation/DWI.  
Terry John Light Jr., possession of controlled substance.

## JAIL REPORT

**April 11**  
Willard Ray Abbott, 51, of Livingston – weekend commitment.  
Dustin Shane Cox, 23, of Goodrich – aggravated sexual assault of a child.  
Andrew Warren Dobbs, 29, of Livingston – motion to revoke-assault with a deadly weapon; motion to revoke-driving while intoxicated (3rd or more).  
Sean Karson Ekloff, 21, of Livingston – probation violation.  
Thomas Flores, 41, of Livingston – assault causing bodily injury to a family member; bond forfeiture; two counts of violating promise to appear; two counts of driving while license invalid; failure to appear at docket call; failure to appear; fail to control speed.  
Julie Ann Floyd, 29, of Livingston – abandon/endanger child, criminal negligence.  
Jacob Boots Luce, 21, of Shepherd – weekend commitment.  
Kristi Kay Mitchell, 34, of Goodrich – probation violation.  
Kimberly Deann Pilgrim, 43, of Livingston – probation violation commitment.  
Christopher Michael Wahl, 24, of Silsbee – evading arrest/detention with vehicle.  
Derek Charles Ziegler, 31, of Livingston – weekend

rest, search or transport; organized retail theft, greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500; organized retail theft, less than \$50; open container of alcohol; possession of drug paraphernalia.  
Jonathan Wayne Ketchens, 23, of Livingston – delivery of a controlled substance/marijuana to a minor.  
Tashanna Denise Patton, 30, of Livingston – weekend commitment.

## April 12

Anthony Ray Adams, 21, of Livingston – speeding.  
Margaret Drake, 57, of Livingston – aggravated assault of a date/family/household member with a weapon.  
Theodis Ray Fletcher, 48, of Goodrich – probation violation; criminal nonsupport of a child (Walker County).  
Lequincy Rashard Hinds, 28, of Livingston – possession of a controlled substance (penalty group 1), less than one gram; no driver's license; no insurance; defective equipment, brake lamp.  
Justin Carlos Larkins, 31, of Onalaska – public intoxication.  
Sheila Faye McDaniel, 43, of Coldspring – probation violation; possession of alcohol in motor vehicle-passenger.  
Michelle Musgrave Russell, 36, of Coldspring – probation violation.  
Searcy William Triggs, 49, of Houston – theft of property, greater than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500 (Tarrant County).  
Janel Lorraine Wilks, 33, of Hillister – theft (Robertson County).  
Daniel John Diaz, 21, of Livingston – possession of a controlled substance (penalty group 2-A), less than or equal to two ounces.  
Jennifer Ramos-Cubillas, 17, of Cypress – no driver's license; failure to maintain

**April 13**  
Antwaun Tremain Bogany, 30, of Livingston – public intoxication.  
Christopher James Elizondo, 42, of Cypress – probation violation.  
Billy Ray Hill, 50, of Livingston – driving while intoxicated (2nd).  
Roney Pastor Jones Jr., 36, of St. Louis, Mo. – possession of marijuana, less than two ounces.  
Clyde McGowen Jr., 56, of Livingston – criminal trespass.  
Rodney Mitchell Randolph, 43, of Livingston – driving while intoxicated.  
Harley Alexander Thorson, 32, of Houston – probation violation.  
Suzanne Elizabeth White, 45, of Goodrich – unauthorized use of vehicle.  
Andrea Andrade, 42, of Corrigan – public intoxication.  
Michael Lawrence Banks, 53, of Livingston – assault/family violence.  
Brandon Patrick Murray, 34, of Corrigan – driving while intoxicated.

## April 14

Earl Leroy Gilhouse IV, 29, of Northport, Ala. – theft of service, greater than or equal to \$500 but less than \$1,500.  
Herman Vanriper Hopper Jr., 25, of Lufkin – bond forfeiture; driving with license invalid.  
Trevor Anthony Lewing, 20, of Livingston – speeding; violate promise to appear.  
James Edward Purvis II, 28, of Woodville – possession of marijuana, less than two ounces.  
Richard Lee Herrell Jr., 35, of Converse – driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension without financial responsibility.  
Larry Gene Sias II, 34, of Shreveport, La. – bond

## WALMART

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Walmart's site-to-store website items that customers have purchased will be mailed to their home instead of the store.  
The City of Livingston, which stands to be greatly impacted by the news, released a statement concerning the temporary closure.  
"Walmart officials notified the City of Livingston of the temporary facility closing on Monday, April 13 at 1:30 p.m. While we understand the reason for the closing, we are saddened by the affect this will have on our community and, more particularly, on the employees of Walmart.  
"While this store closure will have a significant im-

pact on the local economy, our goal should be for Livingston and Polk County not only to 'survive' the Walmart temporary closure, but to 'thrive' during the closure. Now, more than ever, we need to step up the 'shop local' campaign to keep as much money in our own community as possible.  
"I know that many of our existing businesses are already looking at ways to expand and offer new products and services to serve the community. We need to work to educate consumers about just what is available at the many wonderful small businesses in our community. Basically, we need to do what small towns do best —

find ways that neighbors can help neighbors."  
A team of employees are currently working in the store to help transfer merchandise to other stores. Much of the food will be transferred to local food banks over the next few weeks. During the closure, there is a possibility the store will be "modernized" to resemble some of Walmart's newer stores.  
An informational session for employees impacted by the Livingston store will be held for questions on April 16 and 17 at Camp Cho-Yeh in Livingston. Walmart can be contacted for more information.

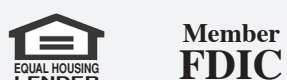
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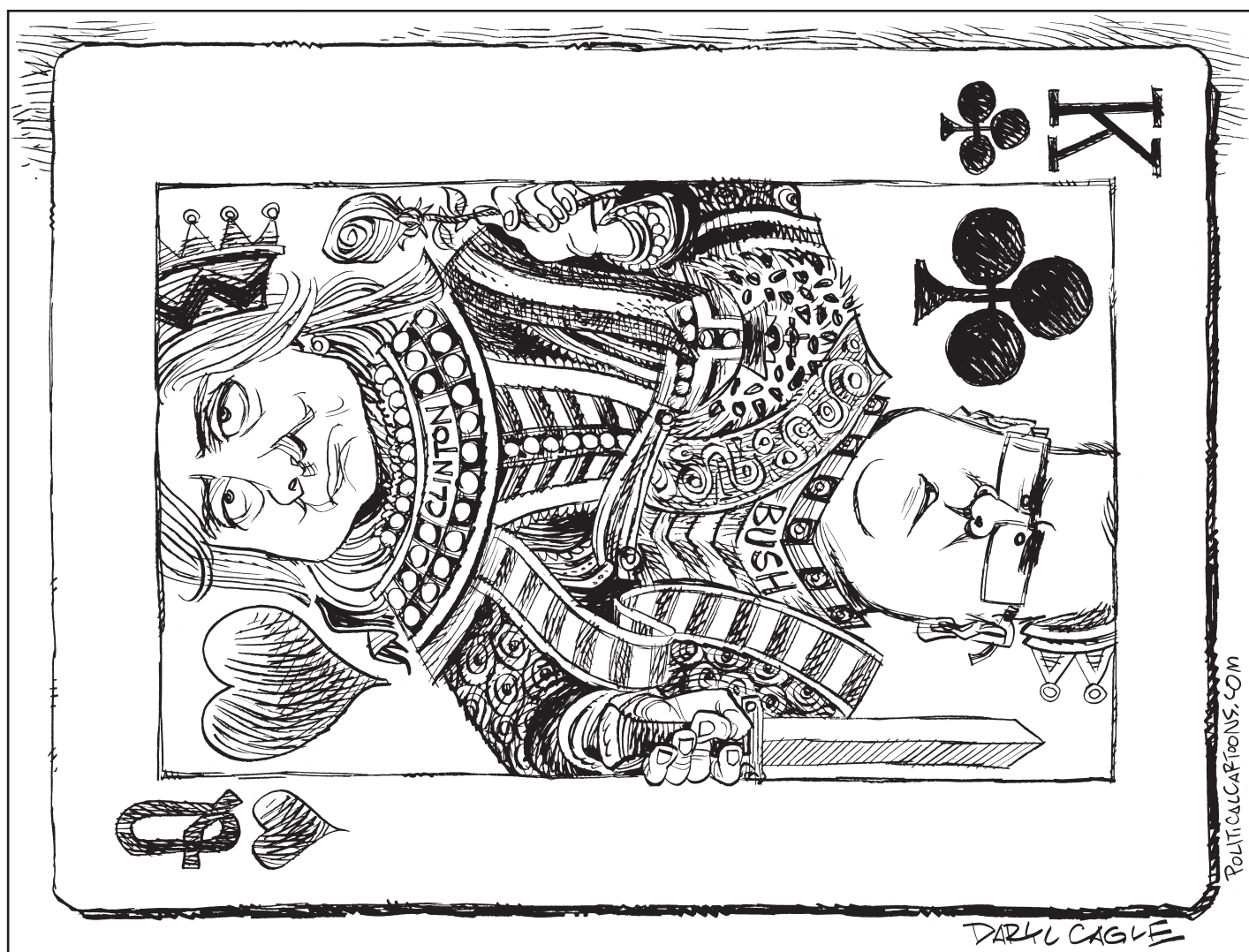
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## Senate bill targets Public Integrity Unit

AUSTIN — Statewide authority to investigate and prosecute public corruption would be moved out of the Travis County District Attorney's Office under Senate Bill 10, legislation approved by the Senate on April 9.

Sen. Joan Huffman, chair of the Senate State Affairs Committee, wrote the legislation under which the Texas Rangers, a division of the Department of Public Safety, would reestablish and support the state's Public Integrity Unit and assume the initial investigatory role when a complaint is filed against a public official. Cases would be prosecuted in the county where a public official resides. "After more than three decades of accepting this cultural norm, the public has lost confidence in this tacit scheme, and Texas needs a fair and explicit process to hold wrongdoers accountable," Huffman said.

The unit has been located in Travis County since 1982, when it was created by an act of the Texas Legislature. Efforts toward stripping the unit and its authority from Travis County began two years ago when Travis County District Attorney Rosemary Lehmborg, who heads the unit, was arrested and pled guilty to drunken driving. Then-Gov. Rick Perry called for Lehmborg's resignation approaching the end of the 2013 legislative session, but Lehmborg rebuffed Perry by remaining in office. Perry vetoed the unit's \$7.5 million budget. He was later indicted on a charge of official coercion for using his veto power in an attempt to force Lehmborg to resign. Lehmborg was elected to a four-year term as district attorney in 2012.

SB 10, approved by the Senate with all 20 of the body's Republicans voting in favor and all 10 of the body's Democrats voting in opposition, has moved to the Texas House for consideration.

**Senate's budget bill moves**  
The Senate Finance Committee on April 8 unanimously approved Committee Substitute House Bill 1, its version of a state budget for fiscal years 2016 and 2017.

Coming in a \$211.4 billion — about \$1.5 billion more than the version passed earlier by the full Texas House — the legislation was authored primarily by Senate Finance Committee Chair Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, and Vice Chair Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa, D-McAllen. Next step in the process will be for the bill to be passed by the full Senate and then to iron out differences with the House version, to be assigned to a joint House-Senate conference committee, to be named by Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, who presides over the Senate, and House Speaker Joe Straus.

Regarding the Senate version Hinojosa said, "We



increased access and funding to services needed by our most vulnerable populations: the young, elderly, sick and poor. We invested in infrastructure, border security, and our students. The budget is well within all constitutional spending and debt limits, and will pave the way for an educated and healthy workforce and a successful Texas economy."

### Senate passes Right to Try

SB 694, legislation to give terminal patients quicker access to experimental treatments, unanimously passed the Senate on April 9.

Freshman Sen. Paul Bettencourt, R-Houston, said he offered the legislation because he believes the current system is too cumbersome and slow to help people who need treatment fast.

Bettencourt said his bill would create a "framework to help those with a terminal disease get access to drugs and treatments still in the federal Food and Drug Administration trial process quickly and safely."

In Senate floor debate, Health and Human Services Committee Chair Charles Schwertner, R-Georgetown, raised a concern that families and patients facing dire circumstances could be easily deceived by people making false promises for profit. Language in the bill was amended so that a company offering a drug covered under the bill or a doctor administering the treatment must agree to do so at no cost to the patient.

**Sales tax revenue increases**  
State Comptroller Glenn Hegar last week said state sales tax revenue in March totaled \$2.12 billion, a 1.5 percent increase compared to March in the previous year.

"State sales tax collections have now grown for 60 consecutive months despite weakening in the energy sector. This moderated growth was expected and is currently in line with estimates presented in January," Hegar explained in an April 8 news release. "Receipts in the construction, services and restaurant sectors remained relatively strong. We will continue to monitor the state's economic activity and its impact on key revenue sources."

Cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts will receive their April local sales tax allocations totaling \$576.6 million, up 4 percent compared to April 2014.

## Aging America is staying put

My sisters and I were saddened when my parents sold the old house.

It was a two-story, four-bedroom design that was typical of 1960s suburbia — a house designed to raise children. The bottom half of the exterior was brick; the top half, white aluminum siding. Inside, the rooms were efficient and comfortable. Eventually, my father remodeled the basement into a family room.

For so many years, that house was the hub of a lot of people's lives. The door was never locked and aunts, uncles, friends and neighbors stopped by for visits. My mother always wanted to host holiday celebrations, especially Thanksgiving, and on such occasions the house was filled to the brim with people.

My parents bought the house new in 1964, when I was two, and lived there until 1999. As I said, we were all saddened to see them move. And the trend in recent years is that fewer Americans, particularly older Americans, are moving to new homes.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 23.2 percent of 25- to 29-year-olds moved between 2012 and 2013, but only 3.7 percent of Ameri-



**TOM PURCELL**

cans 65 or older did so.

The Department of Health and Human Services forecasts that by 2030, there will be 72.1 million seniors, representing 19.3 percent of the population — which means American mobility will continue to decline.

Consider: In the mid-1980s, as the economy boomed, one out of five Americans was on the move to seize new job opportunities and, in many cases, purchase a home. In the past few years, however, American mobility declined from more than 20 percent moving in the '80s to approximately 11 percent. As America ages, it is unlikely that geographic mobility will ever return to

the levels seen 30 years ago.

Also, the majority of people who do move relocate close to their prior residence — often to buy their first home. Approximately 25 percent of the people who moved between 2012 and 2013 were renters, compared to only 5 percent who already owned homes.

So what's the problem with America's declining mobility rate? Moving is one sure way for those who are unemployed or underemployed to improve their lot — as Americans have historically chosen to do.

With the unemployment rate hovering at just under 8 percent — and a record number of Americans who have dropped out of the workforce — moving can offer a solution.

According to Salon, there are 50 metro areas in the country where the unemployment rate is just under 10 percent — but 60 metros where the unemployment rate is 4.5 points lower. If Americans returned to the mobility rates of the mid-'80s, you can only imagine how much lower the unemployment rate would be.

Moving is not easy, I know. Though my parents moved to a nice, big contemporary home that houses many family members for

holiday events, my sisters and I often talk about the old house.

We remember Sundays when we were little and our dad made scrambled eggs and bacon and we'd put cinnamon and sugar on our buttery toast. Our dog Jingles lived the good life under the large shrubs by the front porch. I remember all the neighbors coming outside to clang kitchenware when the Steelers won that first Super Bowl.

There's a big part of me that wishes things would never change. I wish my Uncle Mike and Aunt Jane were still alive, and we could enjoy a beer on the old back porch, which was never wanting for a cool breeze. I wish my parents would stop aging, because I know they won't be here one day.

Moving forward is never easy, but it is what we must do — or we never will.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Definition of marriage should not be left with judges

In a few days the Supreme Court is going to hear arguments for and against redefining marriage in America. Though marriage between a man and a woman has existed since the beginning, the

time-honored institution is under fire.

For nearly 20 years, the debate has raged. Before federal judges began to overturn marriage laws, 30 states had protected natural mar-

riage. Now the High Court is poised to decide for us all. Honestly, I don't believe they have a right.

Marriage is too important an institution to be left in the hands of judges. Marriage between a man and a woman is the basic unit of society. God's Word says marriage is to be between a man and a woman (Genesis 1:27-28; 2:23-24; Matthew 19:3-6; Romans 1:25-27.)

Statistics show that when a man and woman make a marriage commitment, it increases their economic productivity, financial success, personal health, and happiness.

Since marriage also pro-

duces children, it is of great importance to the continuation and stability of society. Academic studies show over and over that kids raised by their married mom and dad are most likely to be successful.

Bottom line: Redefining marriage dilutes what has worked since the beginning and ignores the fundamental needs of children. Every child needs a mom and a dad. Government should seek to reinforce natural marriage, not redefine it. I say let the people, not the judges, decide what constitutes marriage.

John D. Henderson  
Livingston, Texas

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# Community Calendar

**APRIL 16**

**Lion's Mop & Broom Sale**

The Livingston Lions Club Annual Mop & Broom Sale will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, April 16, at the First State Bank parking lot in Livingston. The one-day sale will feature quality, made in the U.S.A. mops and brooms for home, business and industry. All proceeds will be used to support the many projects of the Livingston Lions Club. Pre-sale order forms are available from any Lions Club member and walk ups during the sale are welcome.

**Biologist to address local anglers**

A program on "The State of the Lake" will be presented by Dan Ashe, a fish biologist with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, when the Polk County Hookers meet on Thursday, April 16. Ashe, who is from TPWD's office in Brookeland, is responsible for TPWD activities in this area, including fish census and stocking efforts. The meeting begins at 6:30 pm at the First National Bank Conference Room, 2121 U.S. 190 West (side door). The fishing club meetings are free and open to all. For more information, email George@polkcountyhookers.com, or call 936.327.3825.

**Crawfish, shrimp boil**

A crawfish and shrimp boil benefiting the Polk County Relay for Life will be held from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, April 16, at the Livingston VFW Post. Sponsored by the Treble Maker's Relay for Life Team. Tickets are \$40 per person for "all you can eat" crawfish and shrimp with all the trimming. An auction also will be held.

**Class or '85 reunion plans changed**

Members of the Livingston High School Class of 1985 will meet Saturday, April 18, at Scott Hughes' residence for lunch from noon to 3 p.m. Dinner plans for the 30-year reunion have been changed to 7 p.m. at the Blue Duck Restaurant in Livingston. Class members and family members of class members are being asked to contact as many others from the group as possible to advise them of this last minute change in the dinner location. For information email LHSclassof1985@hotmail.com

**APRIL 17**

**Beef & Forage Workshop**

The 10th annual Beef and Forage Workshop hosted by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension service will be held Friday, April 17, at the Corrigan City Hall. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and the program will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is \$10 and will include a chicken fried steak lunch with all the trimmings. Those planning to attend should RSVP by Friday, April 10, by calling 936-327-6828 or e-mailing apnelson@ag.tamu.edu so that meal arrangements can be made. Payment can be made in advance by bringing or mailing the payment to Polk County Extension Office, 602 E. Church St., Suite 127, Livingston, Tx. 77351.

**APRIL 17-19 Trade Days**

Families, day-trippers and outdoor enthusiasts enjoy a few hours visiting the dozens of unique booths at Trade Days from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 17-18, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, April 19. No admission or parking fees. Shoppers browse through two covered pavilions and 200 open-air lots that are host to a wide variety of food, arts and crafts, collectibles and antique vendors. There's something for everyone at Pedigo Park, 925 US 59 Bypass North, Livingston. For more information contact Stacy Edwards or Toni Fuller at 877-824-6653 or visit [www.cityoflivingston-tx.com/tradedays](http://www.cityoflivingston-tx.com/tradedays).

**APRIL 18**

**Kid Fishing Frenzie**

Children 16 years old and under are invited to take part in the free Kid Fishing Frenzie on Saturday, April 18, at Pedigo Park in Livingston. Sponsored by the Texas Game Warden Association and the City of Livingston, registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the tournament will be from 9 a.m. to noon. Participants should bring their own fishing equipment and favorite bait. The first 100 participants will receive a goodie bag and trophies will be awarded to the first and second place winners in each age group. For information contact the Livingston Parks and Recreation Department at 936-327-5242 or 936-327-3656.

**Taylor Lake Estates rummage sale**

A Plant/Yard Art/Bake/Rummage Sale will be hosted from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Tay-

lor Lake Estates. The event is a fundraiser for the Taylor Lake Estates Ladies Club. To reach the sale, go south from Livingston on Highway 146 and turn onto FM 2610. Go three miles and turn onto Taylor Lake Road.

**Women's fishing workshop**

A free "for women only" beginning fisherman's workshop will be held from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 18. Sponsored by the Polk County Hookers fishing club, those planning to attend should be beginners and will not need to bring equipment. Instructors will be JK Toler and Sandi Karnes. There is a limited enrollment and those wishing to register should email George@polkcounty-hookers.com or call 936-327-3825.

**APRIL 18**

**Wild Country parade**

The Wild Country Property Owners Association is sponsoring a parade to celebrate the opening of the new bridge reuniting the two sides of Wild Country. The event will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 18. Refreshments will be served in the Clubhouse afterward the parade, which will follow Hillbilly Heaven from the FM 2610 entrance around to the clubhouse on Carson Roberson.

**Crawfish boil**

The annual crawfish boil hosted by the Livingston American Legion Post 402 will be held from noon until sell out on Saturday, April 18 at the post, located at 11457 Highway 190 West near Onalaska. Cost will be \$20 for a flat that included three-plus pounds of crawfish plus corn and potatoes. Proceeds will benefit the American Legion Building Fund.

**APRIL 19**

**Family and Friends Day**

Pastor Malcom Wyatt and the Antioch Baptist Church Family are inviting the community to worship with them starting at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 19, as they celebrate Family and Friends Day. Guest speaker will be Pastor Willie Barnes along with the North Mount Olive Baptist Church Family. The church is located off FM 350 South near Livingston.

**APRIL 20**

**VFW to elect officers**

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8568 and its Ladies Auxiliary will elect officers for the coming year during a meeting starting at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 20, at the post. All members or the post and auxiliary are asked to attend.

**APRIL 25**

**Corrigan reunion**

A reunion of alumni of the Corrigan and the Corrigan-Camden schools will be hosted from 11 a.m.

to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 25, at the Lifeway Center of the First Baptist Church of Corrigan. Hosted by the Corrigan Class of 1959, all students who attended the schools are invited. A pot-luck luncheon will be served. Those interested in helping are asked to contact Henry Pope at 409-945-8722, Marjorie Sailor Nettles at 281-479-3216 or Betty Herring Ivy at 936-829-2655.

**6th Annual Superhero Run**

The 6th Annual Superhero Run benefiting CASA, Childrenz Haven and SAAFE House will be held Saturday, April 25, on the Alabama-Coushatta Reservation off Highway 190 east of Livingston. The event will include a 1K Kids Superhero Dash as well as 5K and 10K runs for adults and children. Sponsored by the Polk County Criminal District Attorney's Office, individual race-day registration will begin at 8 a.m. and all runs will begin from in front of the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas' administration building. For more information and to register, go to [polkcountyd.a.wix.com/superherodash](http://polkcountyd.a.wix.com/superherodash).

**Bake sale planned**

Project Love Church will host a bake sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 25, at the Family Dollar Store, 1404 N. Washington in Livingston.

**APRIL 28**

**Area Wide Singing**

The Area Wide Singing will begin at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 28, at the First Baptist Church Shepherd, Highway 150 West at Hill Street in Shepherd. All singers are invited to attend and those who do not wish to sing are invited to sit back and "enjoy some good old, down home country gospel music." Refreshments will be served.

**MAY 2**

**Community cleanup**

The City of Livingston will host a community cleanup from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 2, at Pedigo Park off the Highway 59 bypass. Several dumpsters will be available for items such as old bicycles, stoves, refrigerators, furniture and similar items. Items that will not be accepted include commercial discards, tires, batteries, pesticides, chemicals, insecticides or household garbage. The cleanup is for residents of the City of Livingston only and proof of residency such as a driver's license will be required. For information, contact Community Development Coordinator Ben Buchanan

at 327-4311.

**Fish fry fundraiser**

The annual fish fry fundraiser for the South Polk County Volunteer Fire Department and Ace Community Park will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 2, at the park. In addition to the fish fry, the event will include a bake sale, raffle and auction.

**Children's benefit**

The Rolling for Kids fundraiser sponsored by the San Jacinto High Rollers' Livingston Chapter will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 2, at the J&C Supper Club, 11477 Highway 190 East near Livingston. There will be bike games, live music, food and a live auction with all proceeds benefiting the Foster Children of Polk County and the Texas Lions Camp for Disabled Children.

**Benefit garage sale**

The annual Indian Hills Peninsula Civic Club garage sale will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 2, at 171 Olympic at the end of FM 2457. All proceeds will benefit local charities including FAITH, the SPCA and the Scenic Loop Volunteer Fire Department.

**Community garage sale**

The annual Community-wide Garage Sale hosted by the Evergreen Community Center Association has been rescheduled for Saturday, May 2 at the community center in San Jacinto County. Originally scheduled for April 11, the event was rescheduled due to rain. A 12x12 booth space is available for a \$15 donation and proceeds will go towards repairing and maintaining the community center. Call Sue at 936-767-4011 to reserve a space or for information.

**Church hosts concert**

Minister with Music Paul Jackson will perform many genres of music during a concert planned for 5 p.m. Saturday, May 2, at the Goodrich First United Methodist Church on Loop 393 in Goodrich. An ordained minister, Jackson has won a number of awards, including being named Gospel Music Male Vocalist of the Year in 2000 and 2001 by the Country/Gospel Music Association of Texas.

**Vendors wanted**

Vendors wishing to take part in the 2015 Airing of the Quilts to be hosted from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 2, in Huntsville are asked to contact the Tall Pines Quilt Guild. Vendors will be provided a 10x10 space for \$75. Applications can be found at the website [tallpinesquilt.com](http://tallpinesquilt.com)

guild.com or call Pat Speer at 936-291-3045.

**MAY 12**

**Vietnam War commemoration**

The 50th Anniversary Vietnam War Commemoration Flag will be raised and dedicated at 9 a.m. Tuesday, May 12, during ceremonies conducted by the Robert Rankin Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The event will be held at the Livingston City Hall. All area residents are encouraged to attend to honor and thank the Vietnam War veterans for the service to the nation.

**MAY 16**

**Community yard sale**

Individuals, families and organization are being sought for a community yard sale on Saturday, May 16. Hosted by Livingston Trade Days at Pedigo Park, the Sixth Annual Spring Yard Sale has booth spaces available for \$10. To register or for more information call 327-3656 or 327-5242,

**JUNE 13**

**Band Nerd Reunion**

The Livingston Royal Brigade Band Nerd Reunion will be held Saturday, June 13. Former members of the Royal Brigade Band are invited to join the reunion committee and sponsors are being sought. For information go to [www.royalbrigadereunion.com](http://www.royalbrigadereunion.com) or go to [www.facebook.com/royalbrigadebandreunion.com](http://www.facebook.com/royalbrigadebandreunion.com).

**JUNE 23**

**Volunteer recruitment luncheon**

Opportunities to serve as a volunteer in various capacities will be discussed during a Volunteer Recruitment Luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Livingston-Polk County Chamber of Commerce office, 1001 Highway 59 Loop North, in Livingston. The luncheon is hosted by Gentiva Hospice. For information contact Christina Wood at 936-252-3877 or email Erin Salazar at [Erin.Salazar@gentiva.com](mailto:Erin.Salazar@gentiva.com).

*Nonprofit community organizations and churches are invited to list their special events in the Polk County Enterprise's Community Calendar. To include your event, email details to [polknews@gmail.com](mailto:polknews@gmail.com), FAX to 936-327-7156 or bring your notice to the Enterprise office at 100 E. Calhoun St. in Livingston. Events are listed in a standardized format on a space-available basis and are subject to editing.*

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**Gallery opens at 5 pm, auction starts at 6:30 pm**

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# UT part of team studying Yucatan asteroid crater

AUSTIN — An international research team is formalizing plans to drill nearly 5,000 feet below the seabed to take core samples from the crater of the asteroid that wiped out the dinosaurs.

The group met earlier this month in Merida, Mex-

ico, a city within the nearly 125-mile-wide impact site, to explain the research plans and put out a call for scientists to join the expedition planned for spring 2016. The roughly \$10 million in funding for the expedition has been approved and scheduled by the Euro-

pean Consortium for Ocean Research Drilling (ECORD) — part of the International Ocean Discovery Program (IODP) — and the International Continental Scientific Drilling Program (ICDP).

Dinosaurs and other reptiles ruled the planet for 135 million years. That all changed 65.5 million years ago when a 9-mile-wide asteroid slammed into the Earth, triggering a series of apocalyptic events that killed most large animals and plants, and wiped out the dinosaurs and large marine reptiles. The event set the stage for mammals — and eventually humans — to take over. Yet, we have few geologic samples of the now buried impact crater.

Sean Gulick, a researcher at The University of Texas at Austin Institute for Geophysics (UTIG), and a team of scientists from the U.K. and Mexico are working to change that. The team is planning to take

the first offshore core samples from near the center of the impact crater, which is called Chicxulub after the seaside village on the Yucatán Peninsula near the crater's center.

The team, led by Gulick and Joanna Morgan of Imperial College London, will be sampling the crater's "peak ring" — an enigmatic ring of topographically elevated rocks that surrounds the crater's center, rises above its floor and has been buried during the past 65.5 million years by sediments.

A peak ring is a feature that is present in all craters caused by large impacts on rocky planetoids. By sampling the Chicxulub peak ring and analyzing its key features, researchers hope to uncover the impact details that set in motion one of the planet's most profound extinctions, while also shedding light on the mechanisms of large impacts on Earth and on other rocky

planets.

"What are the peaks made of? And what can they tell us about the fundamental processes of impacts, which is this dominant planetary resurfacing phenomena?" said Gulick, who is also a research associate professor at the UT Jackson School of Geosciences. UTIG is a research unit of the Jackson School.

The researchers are also interested in examining traces of life that may have lived inside the peak ring's rocks. Density readings of the rocks indicate that they probably are heavily broken and porous — features that may have served as protected microenvironments for exotic life that could have thrived in the hot, chemically enriched environment of the crater site after impact. Additionally, the earliest recovery of marine life should be recorded within the sediments that filled in the crater in the millions of years after the im-

pact.

"The sediments that filled in the [crater] should have the record for organisms living on the sea floor and in the water that were there for the first recovery after the mass extinction event," Gulick said. "The hope is we can watch life come back."

The expedition will last for two months and involve penetrating nearly 5,000 feet beneath the seabed from an offshore platform. The core will be the first complete sample of the rock layers from near the crater's center.

Once extracted, the core will be shipped to Germany and split in two. Half will be immediately analyzed by an international team of scientists from the U.S., U.K., Mexico and other nations, and half will be saved at a core repository at Texas A&M University for future research needs by the international community.

## Social Security offers lump-sum payouts

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Savvy Senior

available to people on (or after) full retirement age.

Here's how this strategy works. Let's say you're 66, and you decide to delay your benefits. You could file for your benefit and then immediately suspend it. This gives you the ability to collect a lump sum going back to the date you filed. So if you need money at age 69 for example, and your full retirement age benefit was \$2,000, you could get a three-year lump sum of \$72,000.

### Drawbacks

The big downside to these strategies is that once you accept a lump-sum payment, you'll lose all the delayed retirement credits you've accrued, and your future monthly retirement benefit will be reduced to reflect the amount you already received.

Here's an example of how this works. Let's say that you are entitled to a \$2,480 monthly benefit at age 69. By taking a three-year lump sum payment, your future benefits will shrink back to \$2,000 per month, which is what you would have received at your full retirement age. This also affects your future survivor benefit to your spouse or other eligible family members after you die.

You also need to consider Uncle Sam. Depending on your income, Social Security benefits may be taxable, and a lump-sum payment could boost the amount of benefits that are taxed. To help you calculate this, see IRS Publication 915 "Social Security and Equivalent Railroad Retirement Benefits" at [irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p915.pdf](http://irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p915.pdf), or call 800-829-3676 and ask them to mail you a copy.

One other caveat: If you're married and you "file and suspend" your Social Security benefit, you cannot file a "restricted application" too, which gives you the ability to collect spousal benefits while delaying your own retirement benefit past full retirement age.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit [SavvySenior.org](http://SavvySenior.org).

coverage area, the number of homes and buildings in that area and other similar factors. Pitts noted that over the past five years those factors have changed.

### Other business

During the meeting, commissioners also:

-- Approved a request from Pct. 2 Commissioner Ronnie Vincent to purchase a Volvo EW180D wheeled excavator at a cost of \$201,491. Vincent said the note on the purchased would be paid out of his road and bridge budget.

-- At the request of Pct. 1 Commissioner Bob Willis, they deleted from the agenda a request to purchase a rubber tire excavator for the Pct. 1 Road and Bridge Department.

-- Approved a resolution supporting the passage of legislation establishing refundable deposits on aluminum, glass and plastic beverage containers sold in Texas.

-- Authorized County Clerk Schelana Hock to spend \$2,899.09 from the County Clerk Records Management Fund to purchase paper used in death, birth and marriage certificates.



ENTERPRISE PHOTO BY ALBERT TRIVINO

**LIMITED ACCESS** — After shutting down Monday night, the Livingston Walmart retained one public entrance for customers to access the pharmacy and vision center. Both will remain open for two weeks to allow customers to complete transactions or allow customers to make other arrangements for service. The store's photo department will be located in front of the store to allow customers to pickup items.

# Obituaries

## Larry Ryans

LIVINGSTON — Funeral services for Larry Ryans will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 18, 2015, at Livingston Church of God In Christ, 304 West Church St., Livingston, with Pastor Willie Barnes officiating, assisted by Pastor Robert Johnson. Interment will follow in Grace Hill Cemetery, Blanchard.

On March 5, 1957 a baby boy was born to the late Albert and Winnie Monroe. He was raised in Polk County where he attended Dunbar School and graduated from Livingston ISD. Larry accepted Christ at an early age and was a devoted member of Antioch Baptist Church and later joined Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Corrigan. He served on the Usher Board under the leadership of Sis. Ella Hood, president, where Pastor Ceasar Parker was the pastor and later serving under Pastor Willie Barnes, and was president of the Usher Board in 2012 until his health failed him.

He was a member of the Traveler Rest Lodge No. 55 where he served as the treasurer. Larry coached for Livingston Football and Basketball leagues and was member of the Camden Trailblazers Trailriding Club.

Larry died on April 9, 2015.

## Terry Dunn

ONALASKA -- Memorial services for Terry Dunn, 58, of Onalaska were held Monday, April 13, 2015, at Cochran Funeral Home in Onalaska, with Bro. Jeff Stracner officiating.

Mr. Dunn was born Feb. 11, 1957 in Pampa, to Jerry Dunn and Leona (Anderson) Dunn, and died April 10, 2015 in Lufkin. He is preceded in death by his father and brother, Tim Dunn.

He is survived by his wife, Cheryal Dunn of Onalaska; son and daughter-in-law, Daniel and Trisha Dunn of Pasa-

dena; mother, Jo Taff of Hull; sister and brother-in-law, Connie and Hollis Edmondson of Hull; brother, John Dunn of Beeville; brother and sister-in-law, Tony and Chiara Dunn of Cut-N-Shoot; grandchildren, Brandon Dunn and Zach Dunn; sisters-in-law, Carol Wise of Pasadena and Susan Edwards of Onalaska; and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Albert and Winnie Monroe and Morris Harrell; grandparents, Arthur and Bes-sie Ryans; siblings, Famous, Raymond and Bertha Harrell; nephew, Derrick Hill; aunts, Hazel, Mary and Creasie and brother-in-law, Joe Brokenberry.

Survivors include his loving wife, Paula Ryans; five children, Chuntaina Green, Gloria Joseph, Cordell Green, Candice Mitchell, and Tamara Green, all of Livingston; brothers, Melvin (Leola) Branch of Houston, Lee Archie (Rosie) Harrell, James Harrell, and Louise; sisters, Jean (William) Hill of Livingston, Joyce Brockenberry and Barbara Ryans, both of Houston, Cleo Ryans, Glo- retha (Joe) and Linda; eight grandchildren; goddaughters, Zomaria "NeNe", Samantha and Kynara Carter and Tashaeka Morgan; godsons, Xavier Joseph, Octavius "Tay Tay" and Ryan Miles; special friends, James "J.R." Roberts, Rosie Carter and Bobby Wallace; mother-in-law, Rostene Green of Alto; sisters-in-law, Rosie Skinner, Peggy Green and Pamela Black; brothers-in-law, James "Vern" Green, Willis Green and Jodie Price; a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

He is survived by her son, Jim Miller and wife, Terri of Livingston; brother, Tommy Harris of Point Blank; sister, Shirley Reeves of Dallas; grandchildren, Brant Miller and wife, Jill and Todd Mill-

## Faye Miller

WOODVILLE -- Faye Miller, 89, of Woodville died Monday, April 13, 2015, in Tyler County Hospital in Woodville.

Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 18, in the Stringer & Griffin Funeral Home Chapel in Woodville. Officiating will be Dr. Collin Bullard.

Faye was born July 29, 1925 in Jasper, to George W. and Emma Mashaw Harris. She was a longtime resident of Tyler County and she and her husband, Edward E. Miller, had owned and operated for over 20 years the Big Star Grocery Store in Woodville.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward E. Miller.

She is survived by her son, Jim Miller and wife, Terri of Livingston; brother, Tommy Harris of Point Blank; sister, Shirley Reeves of Dallas; grandchildren, Brant Miller and wife, Jill and Todd Mill-



**FAYE MILLER**  
... services this Saturday

er and wife Stephanie, all of Livingston; six great-grandchildren and a host of friends and family.

Services are under the direction of Stringer & Griffin Funeral Home of Woodville.

## Novie Waldrep Hicks

LIVINGSTON -- Graveside services for Novie Waldrep Hicks, 77, of Livingston were held Wednesday, April 15, 2015, in Peebles Cemetery in Livingston, with the Rev. Wayne Landrum officiating.

Mrs. Hicks was born Aug. 8, 1937 in Goodrich, to John Shotwell and Martha (Henderson) Shotwell, and died April 11, 2015 in Livingston. She is preceded in death by her parents, two brothers and three sisters.

She is survived by her husband, Glenn Hicks of Livingston; son, Herman Waldrep Jr. of Livingston; son and daughter-in-law, Stephen and Kay Waldrep of Livingston; son and daughter-in-law,

Ronnie and Kim Hicks of Mt. Holly Springs, Pa.; daughter and son-in-law, Glenda and Paul Boggs of Longview; sister and brother-in-law, Willie Mae and Tommy Moore of Conroe; sister, Faye Threl of Porter; grandchildren, Christie Potts, Leslie Meeks, Holly Hunt, Shelby Waldrep, Isabella Potts and Avery Meeks; and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a charity of your choice.

Cochran Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. To sign the online guestbook, go to [cochranfh.com](http://cochranfh.com).

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been laid off, although some of them did get a severance package," Murphy said.

In other business, commissioners approved a recommendation from Emergency Management Coordinator Larry Pitts to extend the county's fire protection service agreements with all county volunteer fire department through Sept. 30.

Pitts explained that the current five-year contract expires on April 27 and instead of renewing it at this time, he recommended they wait until Sept. 30 to correspond with the end of the current budget period. This way, the new contract would begin at the same time the 2016 fiscal year budget begins.

During the five-month extension, Pitts said his office would recalculate the percentage or county money each department receives. It was noted that each department is allocated funds depending on the size of their

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## Sports

### Polk County schools take first and second at district meet

The following are the results of the District 29-1A track and field meet held in Lufkin Monday.

#### Varsity Boys

- 1st Chester 166
- 2nd Burkeville 125
- 3rd High Island 122
- 4th Goodrich 78
- 5th Spurger 58
- 6th Leggett 34

#### 100 M Dash

1st JaDarius Spikes Burkeville 11.52; 2nd Jutty Vaughn Chester 11.85; 3rd Knipe Oliver High Island 12.30; 4th Reginald Marsh Burkeville 12.33; 5th Darreon Mallard Leggett 12.51; 6th Javyn Fontenot Spurger 12.52

#### 200 M Dash

1st JaDarius Spikes Burkeville 23.32; 2nd Sillah Koroma Leggett 24.67; 3rd Keaton Whitworth Chester 24.88; 4th Jutty Vaughn Chester 25.09; 5th Jerry Hartsfield Burkeville 25.12; 6th Caleb Hyden Spurger 25.28

#### 400 M Dash

1st Jerry Hartsfield Burkeville 54.19; 2nd Cord Neal Chester 55.71; 3rd Donovan Wysinger Burkeville 55.82; 4th Caine Low Burkeville 56.29; 5th Nickelberry Javarius Goodrich 58.22; 6th Rodriguez Kole High Island 58.43

#### 800 M Run

1st Rodriguez Kole High Island 2:21.52; 2nd Colten Martin Chester 2:21.95; 3rd Dakota Thomas Chester 2:30.95; 4th Mastalez Norman Goodrich 2:32.81; 5th Zack Fisher Spurger 2:36.71; 6th Guilmette Austin High Island 2:40.64

#### 1600 M Run

1st Robbie Clark Spurger 5:19.92; 2nd Hefty Fabian High Island 5:34.77; 3rd Dane Barnes Chester 5:40.01; 4th Dakota Thomas Chester 6:00.24; 5th White Johnathon High Island 6:04.52; 6th Caleb Sittig Chester 6:06.27

#### 3200 M Run

1st Hefty Fabian High Island 11:27.00; 2nd Dane Barnes Chester 12:02.00; 3rd Caleb Sittig Chester 12:55.00; 4th Zack Fisher Spurger 13:52.00; 5th Cordray Andrew High Island 15:15.00; 6th White Johnathon High Island 16:52.00

#### 110 M Hurdles

1st Kvetensky Tyler High Island 17.16; 2nd Chase Shook Spurger 20.17; 3rd Nickelberry Javarius Goodrich 20.60; 4th Dekerlegand Todd High Island 20.64

5th LaDarius Kirkwood Chester 20.83; 6th Zalan Lewis Burkeville 20.94

#### 300 M Hurdles

1st Kvetensky Tyler High Island 45.65; 2nd Darnell Chris High Island 45.86; 3rd Nickelberry Javarius Goodrich 49.01; 4th Knipe Oliver High Island 49.72

5th Zalan Lewis Burkeville 50.41; 6th Chase Shook Spurger 50.53

#### 4x100 M Relay

1st-Reginald Marsh Ja'Kobe Lewis Donovan Wysinger Jerry Hartsfield ALT: JaDarius Spikes ALT: Kenterian Adams, Burkeville 46.31

2nd-Darnell Chris Knipe Oliver Kvetensky Tyler Martin Luke ALT: Guidry Brandon ALT: Sarles Kayhlib High Island 47.40

3rd-Fisher Jamarus Garzon Cristian Henderson Zyan Hughes Davante ALT: Landers Jordan ALT: Nickelberry Javarius Goodrich 48.41

4x200 M Relay 1st-Donovan Wysinger Kenterian Adams Reginald Marsh Ja'Kobe Lewis ALT: Jerry Hartsfield ALT: JaDarius Spikes Burkeville 1:38.91

2nd-Billy Thompson Colten Martin LaDarius Kirkwood Keaton Whitworth ALT: Levi Watts ALT: Dakota Thomas Chester 1:39.50

3rd-Darreon Mallard Sillah Koroma Ezavier Bacon Leslie Koroma ALT: Abisai Garcia Leggett 1:40.31

4th-Fisher Jamarus Garzon Cristian Henderson Zyan Hughes Davante ALT: Landers Jordan ALT: Nickelberry Javarius Goodrich 1:41.87

5th-Spurgeon Tyler Meyers Kade Marvin Brandon Guidry Brandon ALT: Goebel Chase High Island 1:43.24

4x400 M Relay 1st-Billy Thompson Chris Carter Cord Neal Keaton Whitworth ALT: Colten Martin ALT: Dakota Thomas Chester 3:39.89

2nd-Hughes Davante Fisher Jamarus Garzon Cristian Henderson Zyan ALT: Landers Jordan ALT: Nickelberry Javarius Goodrich 3:56.85

3rd-Coltyn Simon Chase Shook Javyn Fontenot Caleb Hyden ALT: Zack Fisher ALT: Robbie Clark Spurger 3:58.02

4th-Darnell Chris Rodriguez Kole Marvin Brandon Meyers Kade ALT: Guidry Brandon High Island 4:00.12

5th-Billy Craft Caine Low Zalan Lewis Kenterian Adams Burkeville 4:31.37

6th-Abisai Garcia Jeremiah Johnson Mikeal Free Patrick Roberts Leggett 4:36.64

Long Jump 1st Billy Thompson Chester 19'-9"; 2nd Kvetensky Tyler High Island 19'-8 3/4"; 3rd Cord Neal Chester 19'-8"; 4th Donovan Wysinger Burkeville 19'-7 1/4"; 5th Caleb Hyden Spurger 19'-7"; 6th Fisher Jamarus Goodrich 19'-3 1/2"

#### Shot Put

1st Robert Hunt Burkeville 41'-6"; 2nd Levi Watts Chester 34'-1 1/4"; 3rd Billy Craft Burkeville 33'-4 1/2"; 4th Colten Martin Chester 33'-1 1/4"; 5th Tyler Blevins Chester 32'-3 3/4"; 6th Coltyn Simon Spurger 31'-4 1/2"

#### Discus

1st Coltyn Simon Spurger 91'-6"; 2nd Cord Neal Chester 88'-9"; 3rd Robert Hunt Burkeville 88'-2"; 4th Levi Watts Chester 85'-8"; 5th Caine Low Burkeville 78'-1"; 6th Landers Jordan Goodrich 66'-2"

#### Triple Jump

1st Cord Neal Chester 40'-6 3/4"; 2nd Hughes Davante Goodrich 38'-9"; 3rd Kvetensky Tyler High Island 37'-11 1/2"; 4th Henderson Zyan Goodrich 36'-8"; 5th Nickelberry Javarius Goodrich 36'-6 1/4"; 6th Jutty Vaughn Chester 36'-3 1/2"

#### High Jump

1st Ezavier Bacon Leggett 5'-5"; 2nd Hughes Davante Goodrich 5'-4"; 3rd Caleb Hyden Spurger 5'-2"; 4th Reginald Marsh Burkeville 5'-2"; 5th Darnell Chris High Island 5'-0"; 5th Knipe Oliver High Island 5'-0"

#### Pole Vault

1st Billy Thompson Chester 7'-0"

#### Varsity Girls

- 1st Goodrich 149
- 2nd Leggett 143
- 3rd Burkeville 92
- 4th Chester 65
- 5th High Island 17
- 6th Spurger 11

100 M Dash 1st CoDesha Lewis Burkeville 13.57; 2nd Tyanna Barlow Leggett 14.18; 3rd Vivian Zoch Spurger 14.44; 4th Regina Marsh Burkeville 14.90; 5th VaNee Scott Leggett 15.63; 6th Carmen Mahaffey Chester 16.18

200 M Dash 1st Keyera Koroma Leggett 28.07; 2nd CoDesha Lewis Burkeville 28.27; 3rd Briunna Criswell Leggett 29.98; 4th Vivian Zoch Spurger 30.37; 5th Ti'onna Taylor Burkeville 30.57; 6th Regina Marsh Burkeville 31.81

400 M Dash 1st Ti'onna Taylor Burkeville 1:05.59; 2nd Taylor Denedra Goodrich 1:05.75; 3rd Sedaja Suell Burkeville 1:12.80; 4th Danique Davis Chester 1:17.04; 5th Landrum Mahal High Island 1:21.60; 6th Ritchie Karlee High Island 1:24.78

800 M Run 1st Henderson Jada Goodrich 2:43.18; 2nd VaNee Scott Leggett 3:05.95; 3rd Donna Martin Chester 3:09.17; 4th Landrum Mahal High Island 3:11.54; 5th Flores Selena Goodrich 3:38.67; 6th Andrade Yasmin Goodrich 4:17.59

1600 M Run 1st Kalee Thomson Chester 6:47.57; 2nd Donna Martin Chester 7:00.38; 3rd Garzon Odalys Goodrich 7:21.35; 4th Darnell Cheyenne High

Island 8:04.79; 5th Flores Selena Goodrich 8:27.51

3200 M Run 1st Garzon Odalys Goodrich 15:16.00; 2nd Kalee Thomson Chester 15:22.00; 3rd Darnell Cheyenne High Island 17:52.00

100 M Hurdles 1st Pierce Ashley Goodrich 21.96

300 M Hurdles 1st Amory Parker Chester 1:11.00

4x100 M Relay 1st-Briunna Criswell Kaycee Mitchell Keyera Koroma Tyanna Barlow ALT: Rayna Fletcher ALT: VaNee Scott Leggett 54.76



Jada Henderson of Goodrich and Tyanna Barlow of Leggett finished first & second, respectively, in the 4x20-meter relay event at the District 29-1A track and field finals. The Lady Hornets edged the Pirates 1:55.49 to 1:56.04. Both relay teams will advance to the Area finals in Flatonia.

2nd-Sedaja Suell CoDesha Lewis Regina Marsh Ti'onna Taylor ALT: Hope Fowler Burkeville 55.03

3rd-Amory Parker Carmen Mahaffey Danique Davis Destiny Kuehn Chester 1:02.26

4th-Andrade Yasmin Flores Selena Garzon Odalys Sanchez, Brooke ALT: Harrell, Jamariyaa Goodrich 1:11.69

4x200 M Relay 1st-Henderson Jada James Kristian Pierce Ashley Taylor Denedra ALT: Flores Selena ALT: Garzon Odalys Goodrich 1:55.49

4x400 M Relay 1st-Henderson Jada James Kristian Pierce Ashley Taylor Denedra ALT: Flores Selena ALT: Garzon Odalys Goodrich 4:50.43

2nd-Olivia Battise Ashley Collins

Rayna Fletcher Alexandra Black ALT: Ashley Christoph ALT: Samantha Gray Leggett 5:32.67

Long Jump 1st Tyanna Barlow Leggett 16'-7"; 2nd Kaycee Mitchell Leggett 15'-3"; 3rd Taylor Denedra Goodrich 14'-8"; 4th CoDesha Lewis Burkeville 14'-6"; 5th Henderson Jada Goodrich 14'-4 1/2"; 6th Vivian Zoch Spurger 13'-8"

Shot Put 1st Montevia Grant Burkeville 30'-11 1/2"; 2nd Harrell, Jamariyaa Goodrich 28'-6"; 3rd Laken Read Chester 28'-4"; 4th Keana Koroma Leggett 24'-8"; 5th Na'Tori Gatson Burkeville 23'-7 1/2"; 6th Makayla Holt Burkeville 22'-5"

Discus 1st Montevia Grant Burkeville 79'-6 1/2"; 2nd Na'Tori Gatson Burkeville 74'-4"; 3rd VaNee Scott Leggett 64'-6"; 4th Harrell, Jamariyaa Goodrich 57'-6"; 5th Flores Selena Goodrich 54'-1"; 6th Ashley Collins Leggett 49'-1"

Triple Jump 1st James Kristian Goodrich 32'-6 1/2"; 2nd Tyanna Barlow Leggett 32'-4 1/2"; 3rd Henderson Jada Goodrich 30'-8"; 4th Taylor Denedra Goodrich 28'-3"

High Jump 1st Kaycee Mitchell Leggett 4'-6"; 2nd James Kristian Goodrich 4'-4"; 3rd Briunna Criswell Leggett 4'-2"; 4th VaNee Scott Leggett 4'-2"; 5th Pierce Ashley Goodrich 4'-0"

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Staff photo by Linda Jacobs  
CoDesha Lewis of Burkeville nipped Denedra Taylor (left) of Goodrich at the finish line of the 400-meter dash in Monday's District 29-1A track and field finals. Lewis finished in 1:05.59 and Taylor clocked 1:05.75.



Staff Photo By Brian Besch  
Sillah Koroma (left) and Leslie Koroma (right) competed in the 200-meter dash at the District 29-1A track and field meet. Sillah will advance to Area after finishing second with a time of 24.67 seconds.



Staff photo by Linda Jacobs  
Jada Henderson of Goodrich and VaNee Scott of Leggett finished 1-2, respectively, in the 800-meter run during the District 29-1A track and field finals Monday afternoon.



Staff Photo By Brian Besch  
Zyan Henderson and Davante Hughes of Goodrich and Leslie Koromo and Ezavier Bacon of Leggett (l-r) make the final exchange in the 4x200 meter relay event at Monday's District 29-1A track and field championship. Leggett finished third and Goodrich fourth in the race.



Staff Photo By Brian Besch  
Davante Hughes of Goodrich finished second in the triple jump (38'-9") to advance to the Class 1A Area finals.



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# Famed Doolittle Raiders receive honors

**(EDITOR'S NOTE: Saturday will mark the 73rd anniversary of the 1942 bombing of Tokyo by the U.S. Army Air Force. James M. Parker Jr. of Livingston was a co-pilot on one of the 16 planes that composed the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders and will be among the 80 men honored this week in ceremonies in Washington, D.C. and the Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio. The following story was written by Parker's son, Robert J. Parker of Huntsville.)**

BY ROBERT J. PARKER

On Wednesday, April 15, Congress presented the Congressional Gold Medal (CGM) to a group of 80 American Army Air Force (AAF) volunteer flyers, who helped change the course of World War II in the Pacific.

The CGM, one of the two highest civilian awards in the U.S., is awarded to persons who have performed an achievement that has an impact on American history and culture that is likely to be recognized as a major accomplishment in the recipient's field long afterwards.

A second ceremony will take place Saturday, April 18, the 73rd anniversary of the raid at the Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio.

The group, which became known as the Doolittle Tokyo Raiders for their daring bombing raid on Japan on April 18, 1942, was led by then-Lt. Col. James H. "Jimmy" Doolittle, a renowned aviator who set several speed and endurance records as a stunt and racing pilot before giving up the sport and focusing on commercial and military aeronautical pursuits.

Doolittle was not only savvy; he was brilliant. He earned a Ph.D. degree in aeronautical engineering from M.I.T.

Two of the 80 brave men

who took part in this action are still with us, Richard E. Cole of Comfort, Texas and David J. Thatcher of Missoula, Montana. It is with a heavy heart we announce that Robert L. Hite of Nashville, Tennessee, who was captured by the Japanese and suffered their horrendous acts as a prisoner of war, died March 29. Earlier this year Edward J. Saylor of Enumclaw, Washington also passed away.

The Doolittle Raid took place four months after the December 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor by the Imperial Japanese Navy. In those four months, the world as Americans had known it had crumbled. A significant portion of the U.S. Pacific Fleet sat at the bottom of Pearl Harbor and the Japanese seemed unstoppable, winning victory after victory in the Far East. Morale in the U.S. was sinking further by the day and Americans were desperate for any morsel of good news.

Tasked with striking back at Japan for the attack on Pearl Harbor by then-President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Doolittle and his band of gritty volunteers would accomplish what seemed nearly impossible. America needed a victory and some heroes to look up to and Doolittle and his Raiders would deliver in spades, striking back at the Japanese with a blow to their homeland and shattering their belief of invincibility - which had been nurtured by no other successful invasion or attack of their homeland in the 2,600 preceding years.

The Raiders, along with thousands of other supporting military personnel aboard the carrier USS Hornet, were part of a 16-ship taskforce that departed San Francisco Bay in early April 1942. While streaming toward Japan, the armada was discovered by Japanese patrol boats ahead of the planned departure by

the 80 Raiders in 16 B-25, twin-engine bombers.

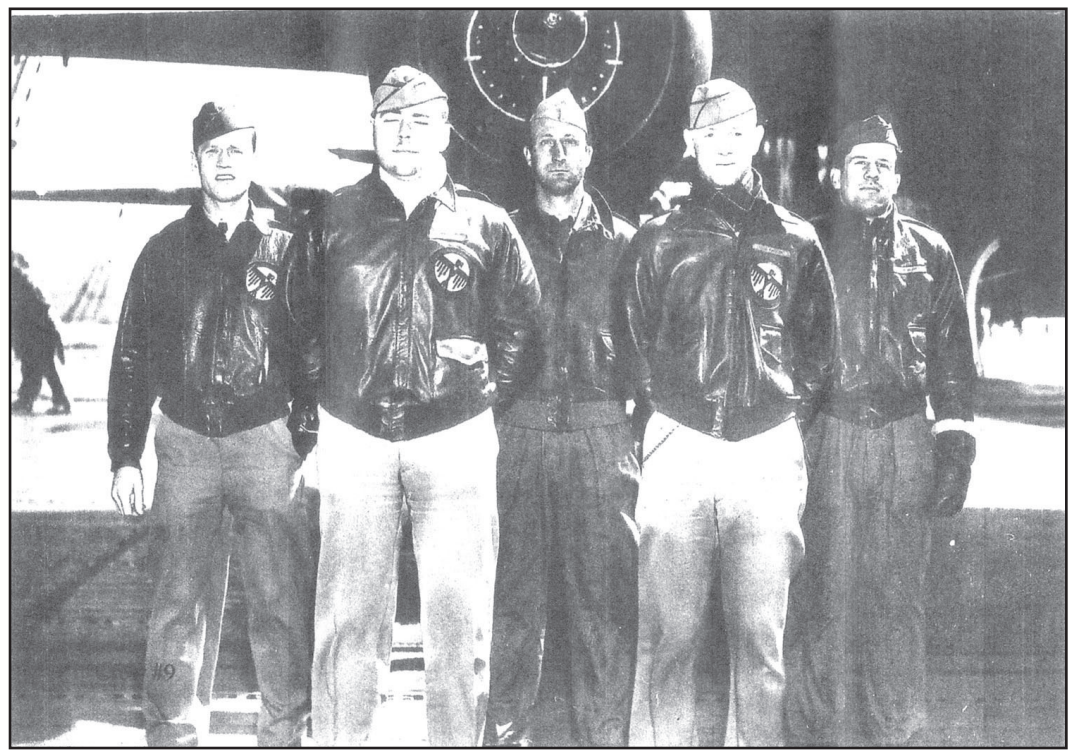
The discovery forced the Raiders to take off 12 hours earlier and approximately 150 nautical miles farther from Japan than planned. The weather conditions were miserable with rain, 20-knot gusting winds and huge waves crashing over the bow of the carrier. Yet, despite knowing they were likely embarking upon a suicide mission, the group of 80 volunteer flyers never wavered.

One after another, each B-25 lumbered down the deck of the carrier and took off. Following each other single file and flying by dead reckoning just above the wave tops to avoid detection, they reached Japan at mid-day and fanned out to drop four 500-pound bombs each on military and industrial targets in Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe and Nagoya.

Although some of the B-25s encountered antiaircraft fire and enemy fighters, none were shot down or severely damaged. Fifteen of the 16 planes then proceeded southwest along the southern coast of Japan and across the East China Sea towards eastern China, where recovery bases supposedly awaited them. The remaining B-25 ran extremely low on fuel and headed for Russia, which was closer.

The Raiders faced several unforeseen challenges during their flight to China: night was approaching, the planes were running low on fuel, and the weather was rapidly deteriorating. The crews realized they would not be able to reach their intended bases in China, leaving them the option of either bailing out over eastern China or crash landing along the Chinese coast.

When the dust settled, 15 planes had been destroyed in crashes. The crew that flew to Russia landed near Vlad-



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**CREW NUMBER NINE** — Among those being honored this week are the late James M. Parker Jr. of Livingston, and the rest of the crew from the Whirling Dervish, the ninth B-25 to take off. They included (L-R) navigator Thomas Griffin, pilot Harold Watson, engineer/gunner Eldred Scot, co-pilot Parker and bombardier Wayne Bissell.

vostok, where their B-25 was confiscated and the crew interned until escaping in May 1943.

My father, James M. Parker Jr., was the co-pilot of plane number nine, the *Whirling Dervish*, along with crew members Harold F. Watson,

pilot; Thomas C. Griffin, navigator; Eldred V. Scott, engineer/gunner; and Wayne M. Bissell, bombardier.

After bombing Tokyo they headed for China, and bailed out after 15 and a half hours in the air and out of fuel deep in China. My dad said his

only injury during the war was when he bailed out, he pulled too hard on the rip cord and knocked himself out. He woke up hanging in a tree and soaked.

His crew was aided by the

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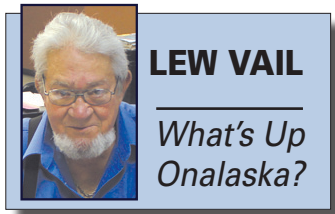
# A birthday gift received from a birthday girl

**B**ack when I started in the newspaper world, we went in to the 'office' and wrote on word processors, proofed, printed articles on paper and then waxed the copy onto a grid sheet to eventually go to the print shop. Photographs required hours in a darkroom, developing, drying and printing before waxing into the right space, and telling the printer how much to tone them.

Well, in today's electronic world, many who toil to bring items or news to you rarely see the inside of the shop. So when the editor, Greg Peak – whose name is on the lesser read, Op-ed page -- sent me an email saying I had a letter at the Enterprise labeled "from a friend", I made a trip in and picked it up.

All this leads to today's photo of an egret on the dock. About 20-plus years ago I met Harold and Bliss Weston. Harold served as Governor of our Lions Club District and for some 15 months we traveled to some 50 clubs and activities together. Harold passed away and after my wife passed, our visits were mostly at Wally World. She gave me her phone number on the back of the photo and I called her and caught up on the past few years.

Bliss just celebrated her 98th birthday in January, and her daughter, Janet Mize, took the photo of the egret outside the restaurant at the marina at Indian Hills on the lake. Bliss thought I would like it for my column. Bliss still plays bridge two or three days a week and is also teaching her great-grand and grandchildren the art of making stained glass items. Bliss



**LEW VAIL**  
*What's Up Onalaska?*

was known for making angels for friends and I have one she gave me, long ago.

Congratulations to two Onalaska JROTC cadets who passed their FCC Amateur Radio License exams and are now technician grade ham radio operators, Brittany and Courtney Fink. The JROTC gives weather reports on school days around 10:30 a.m. at frequency 147.040; the old scanners will receive these transmissions. They serve as a community service for the local conditions and practice for the students. Their instructors were part of the ULLWA (Upper Lake Livingston Wireless Association) ham radio club.

No school for Onalaska Elementary students Friday. They will have parent conferences where necessary. Monday, April 20, STAAR fifth grade math test will be given and Tuesday the third, fourth and sixth grades will have the STAAR math test. On Wednesday the fourth and sixth grades will have the STAAR reading test and report cards will go home for the fifth six-week grading period. Thursday, April 23, the fifth grade will have the STAAR science test.

On April 21 the New Waverly Bulldogs come to Onalaska for the final soft and hard ball games, unless our Wild and Lady Cats make the playoffs. Game time is 4 p.m. on both diamonds; come out and cheer our youth on to

victory. I was asked to remind everyone that every Tuesday and Thursday at 9 a.m. there is Tai Chi at Onalaska Methodist Church's fellowship hall. Its soothing easy exercise to music, taught by a certified teacher. Everyone is welcome and there are no fees or cost, just you and your stocking feet. 700 S. FM 356 by the lake.

While I am working so I can buy the children 'biscuits', they often sleep behind me and today Buckii was sound asleep with his tongue sticking out. He does it often but when I grab a camera he wakes and it is gone. Today I had the old original Nikon on the bench and was able to catch him just perfect and he still doesn't know I took the photo. Have any cute pics of your dogs? Send them to me and we will try to work them into the column, story too.

After leaving the Polk County Garden Club annual flower show I dropped by Pedigo park and caught up with two ducks that were on shore preening. One decided to tuck her head under a wing until I left but they made a cute photo. Spring time at Pedigo parks is an opportunity for the kiddies to see ducks and geese at the lake.

Anniversaries: April 20 - Lee and Lou Medlow, best wishes for many more happy years.

Birthdays: April 16 - Crystal Brink; April 17 - Laurie Richardson; April 18 - Lynn Brown; April 19 - Brandy Michelle Childs, Matt Wright, Ty Pugh and Ryleigh White; April 21 - Nova Phillips and Adrienne Duhe; April 22 - Amy Yates Braswell; and April 23 - Lonnie Richardson. Happy birthday one and all.

Check the What's Up Onalaska Face Book page for photos and activities that come too late for the column, and remember as you go on trips or vacation you can keep up with local activities on our FB page "What's Up Onalaska." Just type "What's" into the search bar, it will jump up to be viewed.

Give me a call with your birthdays, anniversaries or birth announcements. Got a lead on a good story about an event or person? Shout out and I will cover it. How to reach me? Email to lewvail05@gmail.com, call (936) 239-9075 (local number) or by fax 936-646-4332 (note, this fax line is never answered by a person). See you down by the lake.



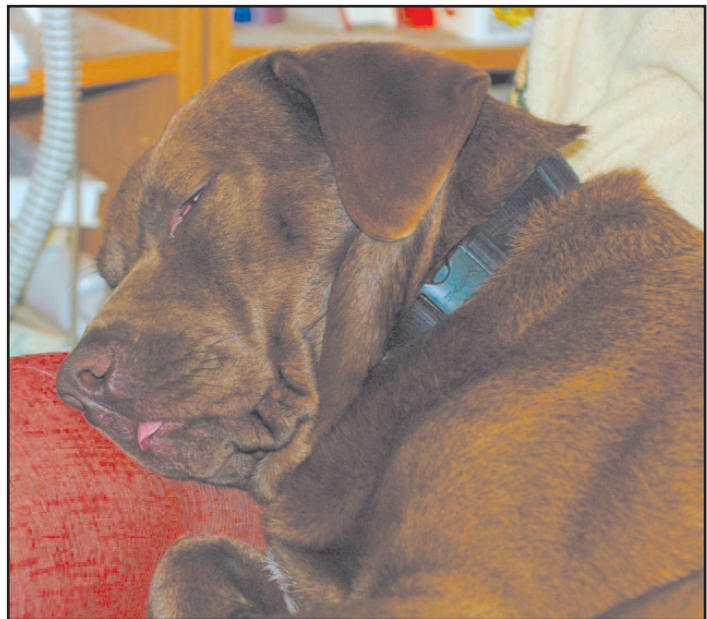
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**BIRTHDAY PHOTO** -- While celebrating her 98th birthday, Bliss Weston had her daughter take this photo of an egret because she knew I liked them. Happy belated birthday to Bliss, but I got the present.



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**CAMERA SHY** -- Maybe her makeup was crooked or she is camera shy, but she tucked her head into her wing until I finally gave up on getting them both looking together and took this picture at Pedigo Park in Livingston. Take the kiddos to see the ducks and geese and feed them corn or chicken feed.



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**DOG TIRED** -- My writing companion, Buckii, was sleeping when his tongue stuck out just a tad and I was able to get this picture. Usually he sees or senses the camera and awakens.

## Online reporting available for turkey hunt

AUSTIN –Eastern turkey hunting in Texas began Wednesday, April 15 and runs through May 14 and hunters are reminded all eastern turkeys must be reported to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department within 24 hours of harvest.

Physical check stations in Polk County include Charlie's Country Corner #2 in Corrigan, Kickapoo Bait and Tackle in Onalaska and T-Jak's in Indian Springs. A complete list of other check stations can be found online at <https://tpwd.texas.gov/huntwild/hunt/season/>

stations/. In addition to physical check stations, hunters have the option of reporting harvests online at [www.tpwd.texas.gov/turkey/](http://www.tpwd.texas.gov/turkey/) or on the new *My Texas Hunt Harvest* app. The app is now available for download for Android devices at Google Play and will be available soon for iOS devices at the App Store.

Hunters who use the electronic reporting options will be issued a confirmation number upon completion of the registration process. Hunters still have to tag

harvested birds. This will be the final hunting season that physical check stations will be open as TPWD is transitioning from physical check stations for mandatory eastern turkey harvest reporting to electronic reporting only in spring 2016.

The new harvest reporting app can also be used as a tool for voluntarily reporting and tracking harvests of other resident game species, including Rio Grande turkey. With *My Texas Hunt Harvest*, hunters can log harvested game animals and view harvest history.



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**DAR COMMEMORATION** – Regent Phyllis Harrell of the Robert Rankin Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) displays certificates of appreciation from the U.S. Department of Defense for being a Commemorative Partner in a program to recognize and thank Vietnam War veterans and their families on their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The local DAR will host a flag raising and dedication of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Vietnam War Commemoration Flag at 9 a.m. Tuesday, May 12, at Livingston City. Vietnam veterans and their families will be honored during the ceremony and all citizens and veterans are encourage to attend, show support and thank this group of men and women for their service to the nation.

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# Baylor's Bears have experienced ups and downs

I have reached that place in life that virtually all that I see, hear or do reminds me of something that's already happened, often decades ago.

As an example, when whisked to the top of a skyscraper recently by state-of-the-art elevator, I thought of its association with music we liked to joke about in another century. Elevator music was scoffed at — often disparaged, rarely praised. It has gone the way of the wild goose, what with most elevators now devoid of music, friendly small-talk of riders and the gentle patter of usually-older men or women at the controls.

Gone, too, are elevator jokes, such as the one shared a zillion times about the Baylor graduate who dreamed he'd died, then faced St. Peter — of all places — in an elevator. The grad assumed, of course, that it would zoom skyward. Instead, it began a rapid descent into colder and colder climes. It was a frozen encasement, and when the door opened, he beheld a wintry wonderland. "Oh, my," he exclaimed, "Baylor must have beaten Texas..."



**DON NEWBURY**  
*The Idle American*

That's pretty much the way it was when heralded Coach Grant Teaff came on the Baylor University scene 40+ years ago. He preached and lived the "yes-we-can" approach, and both the Bears and their fans believed him. Sure enough, the 1974 team, piloted by All-American quarterback Neal Jeffrey, won the Southwest Conference.

Most memorable was the Bear's 34-24 comeback win over UT, despite being on the short end of a 24-7 half-time score. (First win over UT in 17 years; first SWC championship in 50 years.)

Coach Teaff invited me to address the Bears and their faithful at the euphoric post-season banquet. Happiness ruled and was contagious. It mattered little what I said. That night, I was privileged to meet Jeffrey.....

A longtime staff member at Prestonwood Baptist Church, Neal is widely-known for

his amazing pilgrimage of service, inspiration and encouragement. His career is amplification of the credo engrained by Teaff and by the late James Jeffrey, his dad. (In the early going of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, James was executive director for almost a decade.)

Neal has addressed audiences of all sizes and types since his BU years, often beginning with remarks like "It's good to see you again."

He always claims that he stutters extremely well. Prayerfully dealing with the condition across the years, Jeffrey has long since cleared the hurdle of embarrassment that once loomed. Audiences readily believe he's comfortable with stuttering that caused football signals to be "sung" during his BU years. Hearers, in fact, pull for him during silent moments that sometimes occur in presentations today. During pauses, he explains that whatever he intended to say will happen soon....

Neal's endorsements are many. Masterful motivator Zig Zigar said, "Brace yourself! You're about to be charged and challenged."

Similar accolades are from Andy Pettitte, all-star pitcher for the New York Yankees; Dr. Kenneth Cooper, founder of the Cooper Clinic and Aerobics Center, Dallas; legendary broadcaster Pat Summerall, and Lovie Smith, coach of the NFL's Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

In both pulpits and at lecterns, Jeffrey speaks unashamedly of his Christian walk, and when he's putting words together — verbally or in print — he's an energetic encourager for both the here and the hereafter.

He has no greater fans today than Sheila, his wife of 39 years, as well as three

children and their families. The Jeffrey's have eight grandchildren and counting, with a ninth on the way....

A while back, we "tag-teamed" at a regional senior adult conference in Amarillo. I was humbled; what could I say that Neal couldn't say better? Nothing.

I did mention, however, that if we were ever on the same program again, I'd stay at a different hotel, kidding that I was wakened several times by a stuttering snorer — or vice versa.

And we were on different wings of the hotel, four floors apart....

Whatever, no one is hap-

pier than Neal that the Bears' current football resurgence has put those "put down" stories to rest.

He's a walking testimonial to Teaff's claims.

'Course, dear old dad got in the first formative shots. And if heaven has a glass bottom, there's a smiling father, mighty proud of his son....

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## Bridge action continues despite weather

Spring has sprung, but we continued to play last month in spite of the weather.

The Tuesday Presbyterian Church group had Betty Heironomous as first and Pat Butson coming in second.

The Third Monday showed Margie McKenzie in first with over 9,000 points and Dottie Elliott following.

Karen Peake reports for The Biddin Buds and Lani Laurents hosted with lots of Easter decorations and treats to beat the gloomy weather. It really worked, because they let Lani win and she also won the \$17 worth of quarters. Jean Fergus placed second.

The Lakers played at Dee Knipes. Merna Bridgeman and Carol Russell showed winners.

Margie McKenzie reported for First Monday that Pat Milner hosted and Melba Mayo got the honors and Bobbie Cox in second.

Our little Bliss Weston reported for Memorial Point that the daughter-mother team were the winners. Ginger Sepulveda beat out mom Lerline Cowart for first. Way to go partner, Ginger!

The Goodrich Club played three times this month. Aline Fisher won first with Jean Fergus reported in second. The second meet had Dee Knipe winning and Art Kainer placing second. The third get together showed Art Kainer moving to first and Edith Stell claiming second.



**GINNI MAYHEW**  
*The Bridge Corner*

Marilyn Kainer reported for Taylor Lake Club that Susan Taylor was the big winner with George Reznicek placing.

Bebe Walker reported for Fourth Monday ladies night out and Margie McKenzie won and Bebe was second. Have you noticed that Margie McKenzie had a really good month?

At the First Monday Duplicate Jan Russell was the winner and Janet Linn got second.

The Duplicators showed Pete Chamlee and Ginni Mayhew in first with a 69. Congrats, partner. Ruth Reeves and Kathy Clark were second.

The Desperate Housewives played with Bebe Walker and Kathryn Carney tied and Carol Russell was second. The next session, Ruth Reeves won and they had a tie between Dottie Elliott, Kathy Clark and Mary Briggs. The next time Dottie booted out Darlyn Dusek and Janet Linn for first. Then came a tie between Bebe Walker and Kathy Clark and Henri Kennedy second.

The Down One group met March 3 and everyone won. (Actually one of my

reporters had a few computer problems and some results got lost). The second Down One, the computer was the winner and Perry Pace came in second. At the next one, Beverly Klein won and Kathryn Carney placed, and at the last one, Kathryn Carney and Joyce Neel were first and second.

Jay Berkebile sent me the winners for the Fun Bunch. Pat Butson claimed the blue and Lani Laurents showed for the red.

The ACBL met four times this month. We play on Friday at 10 at Catfish King and all are welcome. We will have the honor of having some players from the Houston ACBL group join us on Friday, April 3, so come join us. We played with them at tournaments. Our first meet showed Jean Fergus and Dave Moore in first and my partner, Sharon Kirkland and I won second.

Second showing had Perry Pace and Darlyn Dusek as winners with Bob and Karen Peake as second. The third meeting had Jay Berkebile and David Moore big winners and Perry Pace and Darlyn Dusek coming in second. The fourth showing had Perry Pace and Sara Poston winners and David Moore and Jean Fergus in second.

We are hoping for better weather this month, but we will still be playing no matter what. Hope to see you around the table.



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**RIBBON CUTTING** – Vacation Home Building introduced their new American Dream Homes during ribbon cutting ceremonies last week conducted by the Livingston-Polk County Chamber of Commerce. Owner Charles Von Schmidt cut the ribbon Located at 185 Cedar Point Drive east of Onalaska, the company offers affordable home throughout Polk County. The company can be contacted at 936-646-6767 and their website is at www.vacationhomebuilders.com.

## Hospice benefits aid the terminally ill

Choosing hospice care isn't about giving up. It's about making every day count.

Terminally ill people who make the choice receive care for their physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs. They're no longer seeking a cure, but they do want to live out their last weeks and months as comfortably as possible and with dignity.

Unfortunately, many people with Medicare aren't aware of the hospice benefit.

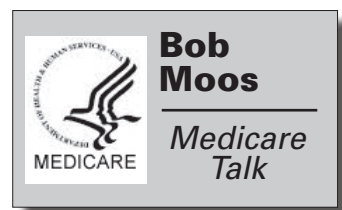
Hospice programs follow a team approach. The specially trained team typically includes doctors, nurses, counselors and social workers, among others. A doctor and nurse are on call 24-7 to care for you and support your family when you need it.

The hospice benefit allows you and your family to stay together in the comfort of your home, unless you require hospital care. If your hospice team determines you need inpatient care at some point, it will make the arrangements for your stay.

Hospice's main goal is to relieve your pain and manage your symptoms. As long as the care comes from a Medicare-approved hospice, Medicare covers the physician services, nursing care, drugs, medical equipment and supplies, and physical and occupational therapy.

To qualify for Medicare's hospice benefit, you must be eligible for Medicare's Part A hospital insurance, and your physician and your hospice medical director must certify that you have six months or less to live, assuming your illness runs its normal course.

You also must sign a statement choosing the Medicare hospice benefit and another statement that you understand



you're forgoing curative treatment for your terminal condition.

Though the hospice benefit is part of original Medicare, it's also available to anyone with a Medicare Advantage plan. And both original Medicare and Medicare Advantage will continue to pay for the treatment of other conditions unrelated to your terminal illness.

Medicare understands that your family occasionally needs a rest from caregiving. So you can request to stay up to five days at a time at a hospice facility, hospital or nursing home. For that, you pay 5 percent of the Medicare-approved amount for respite care.

Overall, you pay almost nothing for your hospice care. There is no deductible. Besides your 5 percent share for the inpatient respite care, your only expense is the \$5 or less you pay for each prescription drug you take to relieve pain or manage your symptoms.

You can receive hospice care as long as you're recertified. After 90 days of care, you're re-evaluated by the hospice's medical director or other hospice doctor to determine if the care is still appropriate.

Another re-evaluation is done after another 90 days and then every 60 days.

If your health improves or your illness goes into remission, you may not need to remain in a hospice program. In those cases, you'll return

to your previous Medicare coverage. And if someday your condition worsens, you can go back to hospice care.

Beneficiaries wanting to learn more about hospice programs in their area should talk to their doctor or call their state's hospice organization or health department. Their physician will also help determine whether a particular program has been approved by Medicare.

When considering and choosing a hospice program, ask these questions: What kind of training does the hospice provide its caregivers? How does the hospice staff respond to after-hour emergencies? What measures are in place to ensure quality care? How does the hospice involve the family in planning the care?

Even if you've been enrolled in a Medicare Advantage managed care plan, you can still choose hospice care from any available Medicare-approved hospice.

For more about Medicare's hospice benefit, visit Medicare's website site at medicare.gov or call Medicare's 24-7 customer service line at 1-800-633-4227. A Medicare publication, titled "Medicare Hospice Benefits," can also be downloaded from the website or requested by phone.

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## Tree dedications offered in Big Thicket

THE WOODLANDS -- Mild temperatures, lots of sunshine and green things growing make April the perfect month to celebrate the great outdoors. Nature lovers are invited to dedicate a tree in the Big Thicket's Roy E. Larsen Sandyland Sanctuary in honor or memory of a special someone.

The free program is made possible through Entergy's longtime support of the Texas chapter of The Nature Conservancy.

The dedication program celebrates the 45th anniversary of Earth Day on April 22 as well as Arbor Day on April 24 and recognizes a \$500,000 grant from Entergy to support wetland restoration and reforestation in the four states

the electric utility serves — Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi.

Dedications are free of charge and can be made from a computer, smartphone or tablet using the following URL: enterygtexas.com/sandyland.

Once there, provide the name of the person you wish to honor and an email address to notify the person or his or her family. A keepsake certificate can be generated from the email notification.

In the process, you can learn about one of Southeast Texas' true, natural treasures. The Sandyland Sanctuary, which encompasses 5,654 acres in Hardin County, including a portion of Village Creek, is managed by The

Nature Conservancy, one of Entergy's environmental partners for more than a decade.

"Over time Entergy has contributed more than \$1.5 million to The Nature Conservancy in support of Entergy's mission to create value for all our stakeholders," explained Vernon Pierce, vice president, customer service for Entergy Texas. "Our mission includes protecting natural resources vital to our communities."

The Nature Conservancy Texas used the funds provided by Entergy and other community partners to support reforestation of longleaf pines in the sanctuary with 73,000 seedlings added this year.

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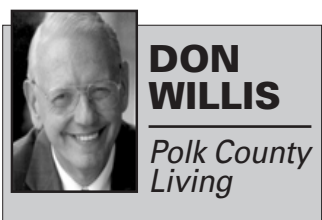
## Rain storms mean beautiful flowers are coming

There is a song which states, "April showers bring May flowers."

When we are going through the dark, cloudy, rainy days of April, we can remind ourselves that the rain brings the beautiful flowers and gardens of May. It is the promise of faith, hope, and love. God is still with us. The bluebird of happiness will return.

Troubles come to all of us. Troubles come to everyone. Joyce and I recite so many times, "The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?" —Psalm 27:1. Later in that same Psalm, the writer says, "For in time of trouble God shall hide me in his pavilion; in the secret place God's tabernacle; he shall hide me; God shall set me high upon a rock."

An older man went to visit a Christian bookstore. He asked the workers, "Anything going for free?" A young lady smiled



**DON WILLIS**  
Polk County Living

at him and said, "Smiles are free, and we have plenty of those to give away." He went through the bookstore smiling at everyone. For the rest of the day he smiled at everyone. What a change. He was known to be a grumpy old man. Christ took away his worry and grumpiness and gave him the gift of happiness.

The Boys and Girls Club is doing well in its mission. Soon, they will have a fundraiser, the famous Steak and Hamburger event. The Boys and Girls Club has made a significant difference in our community. When I first came to Polk County in 1995 a good many children were left alone after school. They would drift into crime, in gangs and

into drugs. Since the Boys and Girls Club came to Polk County, the children are safe from crime, they are making better grades in school, and they have hope of a better life.

Joe Haynes says, "The Boys and Girls Club of Polk County provides: *A Safe Place* for those who are left alone after school or during the summer with no guidance. The club is a safe place to play and a safe enough to be you. *Life-Enhancing Programs* that can open young minds. The boys and girls club exposes youth to new ideas and skill that prepare them for life. We teach the importance of character in our programs.

*A Relationship with Caring, Trained Adults* with better programs; the more children we can attract; the more likely they will build a caring relationship with a caring adult; the opportunity our Boys and Girls Club can positively influence the character of a child. *Hope and Opportu-*

*nity* as young people experience our Club, we become a place of hope. Hope leads to increased confidence and a brighter future."

In Polk County we have many home mission projects, but none is greater than the Boys and Girls Club. Our children and youth are important to us. It is part of our mission to help them have a better life. God will honor our service to the children and youth. All of us need community. We need each other. Sure hard times come, but we must remember that April showers bring May flowers. We are plating our lives like seeds not the lives of the children and youth.

Our nation and the world is undergoing some hard times. Let us remember that God is still in control. Our part is to pray, to be open to God's love, mercy, and grace. God bless America. God save America! God save those who are being persecuted. Our hope is in the Lord.

## RAIDERS

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Chinese which helped them to evade the Japanese.

After several months, Jim returned to the states and trained in Louisiana with B-26's. He then was stationed

in North Africa for over 13 months piloting over 24 missions in a B-26 before returning to the states.

For his action on the Doolittle Raid he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, The Order of the Fleecy Clouds (Chinese Medal of Honor) and the Silver Star.

My father was born in

Houston and later in life lived there but always considered Livingston his home, where he grew up and retired. He attended Lon Morris College and Texas A&M before joining the Army Air Corps in 1940.

The only piece of any of the B-2 5's in this raid to return to the United States is a piece of my father's plane, the *Whirling Dervish*, which is on display with the Tokyo Raiders exhibit at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington D.C.

Three Raiders were killed during their attempts to land in China. Eight were captured by the Japanese; three were subsequently executed and a fourth starved to death in prison.

Following the Doolittle Raid, most of the B-25 crews that came down in China eventually made it to safety with the help of Chinese civilians and flew other wartime missions. But the Chinese paid dearly as the Japanese killed an estimated 250,000 civilians in retaliation for their assistance to the Raiders.

Compared to the devastating B-29 fire bombing attacks against Japan later in the war, the Doolittle Raid did little material damage. Nevertheless, when news of the raid was released, American morale soared.

The raid also had a strategic impact on the war. The Japanese military recalled

many units back to the home islands for defense, where they remained while battles raged throughout the Pacific. More importantly, the Doolittle Raid provoked Japanese Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto, the architect of the raid on Pearl Harbor, to attempt to grab Midway Island, an ill-fated expedition in June 1942 that resulted in the loss of four fleet carriers, many sailors and a number of highly trained aircrews from which the Imperial Japanese Navy never recovered.

Besides being the first offensive air action against the Japanese home islands, the Doolittle Raid accomplished some other historic firsts. It was the first combat mission in which the AAF and the U.S. Navy teamed up in a full-scale operation against the enemy. The Raiders were also the first to fly land-based bombers from a carrier deck on a combat mission and the first to use new cruise-control techniques in attacking a distant target.

The incendiary bombs they carried were forerunners of those used later in the war. The special camera equipment specified by Doolittle to record the bomb hits was later adopted by the AAF. And the after-action crew recommendations concerning armament, tactics and survival equipment were also used as a basis for other improvements.

## AC selects new dean of community services

LUFKIN -- Angelina College Board of Trustee members on Monday confirmed the appointment of Tim Ditoro as the new dean of community services, with Ditoro replacing Dr. Fred Kanke, who has served with Angelina College for more than 40 years. Kanke will retire at the end of May 2015.

Currently the director of AC's Center in Crockett — a position he's held since the center's opening in 2011 — Ditoro, a native of North Carolina, obtained an M.A. from the University of Alabama and an M.A. in Linguistics from the University of Texas. He is currently working toward his doctorate in education at Texas A&M University.

Prior to assuming his role as the Crockett Center director, Ditoro was an assistant instructor of Spanish at the University of Alabama and the University of Texas in Austin; and he served as a part-time faculty member at Tarrant County College, Austin Community College and Angelina College. Ditoro was also a high-school Spanish teacher and cross-country coach.

AC president Dr. Larry Phillips lauded both Ditoro's

appointment and Kanke's long-time contributions.

"Dr. Kanke has built one of the leading continuing education and community service programs in the state of Texas," Phillips said. "With the support of a great staff, we are confident Mr. Ditoro will continue and grow these programs serving more than 8,000 residents each year."

Kanke said he sees Ditoro as a perfect choice for the position Kanke has held for the past 24 years.

"I think Tim's a really good fit for this," Kanke said. "What he's done in Crockett is strive to build the enrollment, and he's been successful in that endeavor. When enrollment is down everywhere else, Crockett's is up. He's willing to talk with and meet with students, and we need his type of entrepreneurship here. He has the personality and wherewithal to help build all these programs. He'll be able to build those relationships that are vital to any organization's success."



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**LIGHTHOUSE HOSPICE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM** — Call Molly Flores for volunteer opportunities at 1-888-290-7727.

**SWEET STRINGS DULCIMER SOCIETY** — Meets the first and third Monday at 1:30 at First Baptist Church, Room 205. All levels welcome. Call Mary Ann Palmer at 936-646-2349 or Betty Sims at 936-2331.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA** - meets the third Monday of each month at the Family Center of St. Joseph Catholic Church. Times are 4:30 during winter and 6:30 during the summer. Everyone is welcome. Call Delores at 936-967-3789 for details.

**TOPS (TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY)** — Meets at 9 a.m. Thursdays in the fellowship hall of Pine Forest Baptist Church on Hwy. 190 West. Call Betty Willis at 936-967-3913 or Doris Daniels at 936-967-8850.

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**LA LECHE LEAGUE** - Support group for breastfeeding mothers meets the third Tuesday of the month from 10:15-11:15 a.m. in the 2nd floor conference room of the Livingston Municipal Library, 707 N. Tyler. The meetings are led by a trained volunteer and provide education and support for both pregnant and breastfeeding women. For information call Karen at 936-328-7156.

**DAUGHTERS OF THE REPUBLIC OF TEXAS**- John Floyd Gilbert Chapter meets the third Thursday of the month. Call Glenda Shuttlesworth at 210-260-1143.

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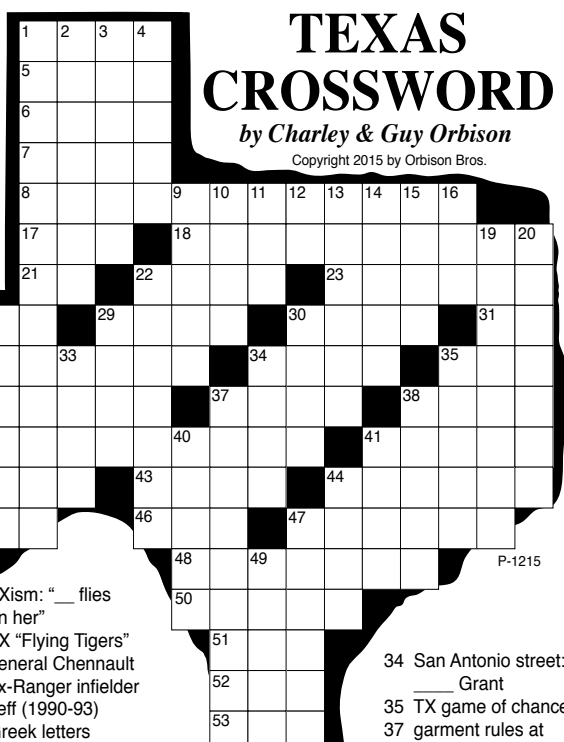
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  - it can be passed in TX legislature
  - this Errol starred in "San Antonio" (init.)
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  - Littlefield's county named after this San Jacinto victim
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  - Leon, TX
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  - Ford sedan
  - TX Ann biography: "\_\_\_\_\_ High Life"
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  - rattler position before striking
  - '48 film about TX Bandit Queen: "\_\_\_\_\_ Daughter"

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- this Long was political figure in neighbor state
- split up
- TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ in cement"
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- Crystal City has statue of Popeye the \_\_\_\_\_ Man
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  - ex-Ranger infielder Jeff (1990-93)
  - Greek letters
  - TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ of one, half a dozen of the other"
  - TXism for elderly man
  - East TX has the long-\_\_\_\_\_ Eldarica pine
  - TXism: "a squeaky wheel \_\_\_\_\_"
  - Joe
  - TXism: "chompin' \_\_\_\_\_ the bit"
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  - garment rules at TX high schools (2 wds.)
  - Houston mass murderer Dean
  - TX hero Murphy
  - TX Borden of condensed milk fame
  - cow and a calf
  - steamship
  - furnace feeder
  - A&M's "branded \_\_\_\_\_ way"

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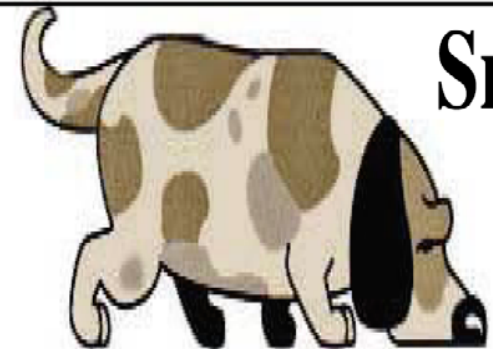
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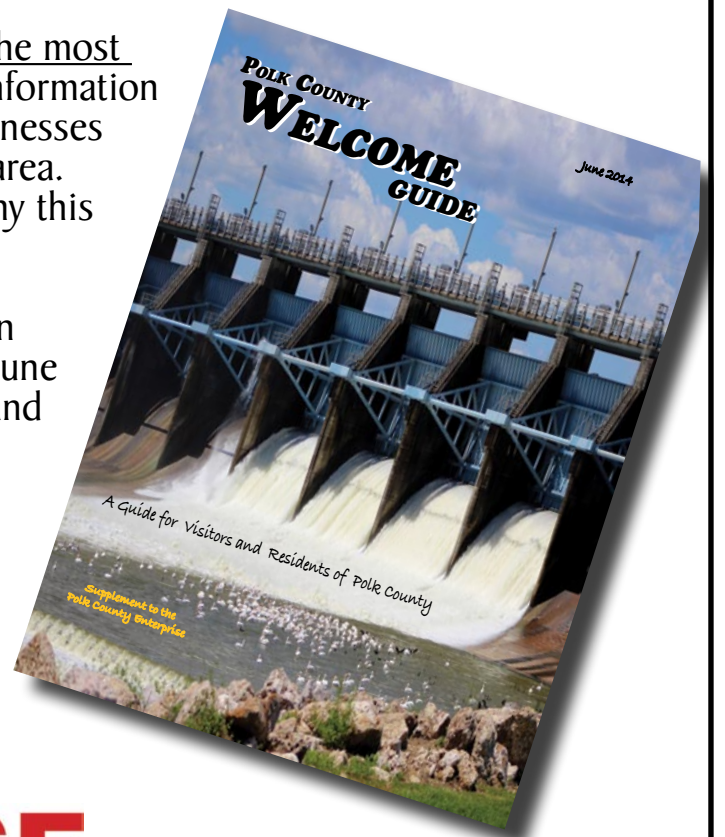
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