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City, city's electric system, SRMPA sued for \$1M

By Emily Banks Wooten

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A million-dollar class action lawsuit against the City of Livingston, Livingston Municipal Electric System, and Sam Rayburn Municipal Power Agency was recently filed by RecoveryX Livingston LLC for Assignees of Citizens of Livingston for Fair and Equitable Relief and Residents of the City of

The lawsuit alleges that the city has a monopoly on electric service within the City of Livingston, that the city's electric rate creates a private nuisance, and creates unjust enrichment of the City of Livingston.

"The city's position is that these claims are baseless and that the company that is bringing this suit has no standing. This lawsuit is a continuation of an unsuccessful claim brought before the Public Utility Commission of Texas by an organization called 'Citizens of Livingston for Fair and Equitable Rates," city officials said.

"A petition was circulated by the 'Citizens of Livingston for Fair and Equitable Rates, and purportedly the individuals who signed that petition have now assigned their claim to 'RecoveryX Livingston,' allowing RecoveryX to bring this lawsuit against the city," city officials said.

However, the city has been informed by some of the people who signed the petition that they have not assigned any claim that they may have to RecoveryX, which could possibly prove that RecoveryX has no standing to bring the lawsuit.

RecoveryX Livingston LLC is owned by Simpson Holdings Inc., with Erik M. Simpson as its owner. Additionally, Simpson Holdings Inc. is manager of Citizens of Livingston for Fair and Equitable Relief LLC.

This is not me or Citizens of Livingston for Fair and Equitable Rates, but I'm not surprised that this is happening," Joshua Grant said.

"I still would really like for the city to come to the table to discuss this, but with this pending lawsuit, I don't know if that's possible," Grant said.

Upon filing, the case was assigned to the 258th Judicial District and 258th District Judge Travis E. Kitchens Jr. recused himself. The Honorable Robert H. Trapp, Presiding Judge of the Second Administrative Judicial Region of Texas, appointed Retired 272nd District Judge John M. Delaney to hear the case. No court dates had been set as of press time



The Polk County Historical Commission was recognized during the Polk County Commissioners Court meeting Tuesday for having received the annual Distinguished Service Award. (I-r) Roy Newport, Kathy Prescott, Otto Lyons, Precinct 1 Commissioner Guylene Robertson, Laverne Taylor, Precinct 2 Commissioner Mark Dubose, Kathryn Richardson, Joe Ann Manry, Emily Banks Wooten, Gary Davis, Museum Curator Betsy Deiterman, Joanne Westmoreland, Patricia Snook, County Judge Sydney Murphy, Mona Rae Marsh, Precinct 4 Commissioner Jerry Cassity, Annette Lowe and Precinct 3 Commissioner Milt Purvis. COURTESY PHOTO

Historical commission receives distinguished service award

By Emily Banks Wooten editor@polkenterprise.com

During its regular meeting Tuesday, the Polk County Commissioners Court recognized the Polk County Historical Commission which was recently presented with the annual Distinguished Service Award for its historic and preservation efforts.

The Court approved a request from Fidem Energy to prepare a draft application for the Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grant to fund a landfill gas energy project at the Polk County

Contracts with Sitek Omni for the demolition of homes in the GLO-DR buyout program 20-066-018-C125 were approved.

The Court approved a warranty deed transferring ownership of the parking lot behind the Polk County Tax Office to the City of Livingston, with the stipulation that if the city decides to sell the property in the future, the portion that was the county's would revert back to the county.

A special session to canvass results of the Nov. 5 General Election was scheduled for

The Court approved a resolution in support of Operation Green Light for Veterans, a campaign designed to empower and connect counties and soon-to-be new Veterans and their families through a coordinated and cohesive transition process; raise awareness of the county role in providing support and resources to veterans;

advocate for legislation that will strengthen counties' ability to support veterans; highlight the unique challenges veterans face and the resources available to assist them and their families at the county, state, and federal levels; support the Governor's Challenge to Prevent Suicide Among Military Service Members, Veterans, and Families; and let veterans know that they are seen,

appreciated and supported. In personnel matters, the Court reviewed and approved personnel action form requests submitted since last the meeting; approved the re-appointment of John Fugate as the Polk County fire marshal for a two-year term beginning Oct. 1; reviewed and personnel changes as requested by Sheriff Byron Lyons; approved a request to pay out straight-time hours earned by the emergency management coordinator as of Sept. 24, utilizing available funds from the emergency management salary line item; and reviewed and approved the redrafted personnel policy manual.

Fiscal year 2024 budget revisions and amendments and fiscal year 2025 revisions as presented by the county auditor's office were approved, as was a resolution authorizing the certification of surplus depository interest revenues to fund fiscal year 2024 capital purchases.

A request for a capital purchase to be included in the fiscal year 2025 budget was approved, specifically, a tax office server from Harris Govern, in the amount of \$25,488.07, to be paid from the information technology capital outlay.

The Court approved the annual bids for the purchase of: road materials for Precincts 1-4; the bulk purchase of limestone road base; tires; oil, grease, gasoline and diesel; pest control services; motor grader blades; and material hauling.

In old business, the Court will consider approval of the minutes of the Aug. 27 reg-

Items on the consent agenda included:

- Approval of the minutes of Sept. 10 regular session;
- Approval of the schedules of bills;
- Approval of an order designating surplus property;
- Receipt and recording of personnel action forms submitted by elected officials since the last meeting;
- R• eceipt of county auditors monthly report, pursuant to Local Government Code Sec. 114.025;
- Receipt of treasurer's monthly report for August 2024;
- Approval of an order designating the regular terms of commissioners court for fiscal year 2025;
- Approval of an order setting terms of the constitutional county court;
- Approval of a resolution in support of fiscal year 2025 indigent defense formula grant application;
- Approval of submission of fiscal year 2025 rural law enforcement grant applications for the district attorney, sheriff and constables' offices;

- Approval of an update to master street address guide to add Jack Moseley Blvd. as a city street in the City of Livingston;
- Acceptance of 2025 retiree plan rates (TLIC medical and retiree RxCare prescription coverages) from Texas Associa-
- tion of Counties, Silver Choice; Approval of renewal of supplemental gap insurance policy with Zurich American Insurance Company;
- Ratifying the agreement between the Precinct 3 justice of the peace and Veritrust for shredding services;
- Approval of the hotel/motel occupancy tax agreement between Polk County and the Livingston-Polk County Chamber of
- Approval of the hotel/motel occupancy tax agreement between Polk County and the Polk County Higher Education and Technology Foundation;
- Approval of an agreement with the City of Livingston for (LVFD) firefighting ser-
- Approval of transitioning recently vacated legal assistant/abstractor position from county employee to employee of Linebarger, Goggan, Blair and Sampson;
- Authorizing Goodwin Lasiter Strong to advertise for construction bids for Onalaska for WSC Plant 3 elevated storage tank tie-in, funded by 2021 ARPA-SLFRF.

Sonny Hathaway, pastor of Central Baptist Church of Livingston, opened the meeting with prayer.



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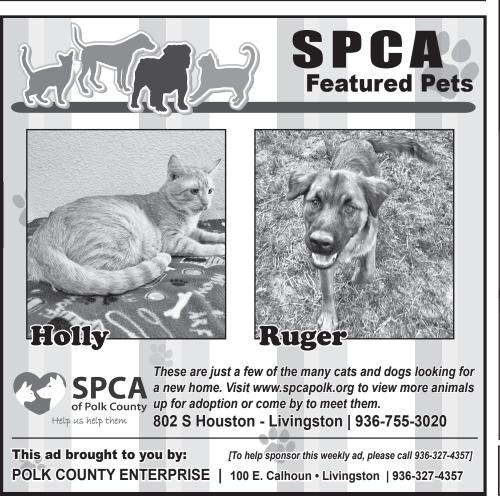
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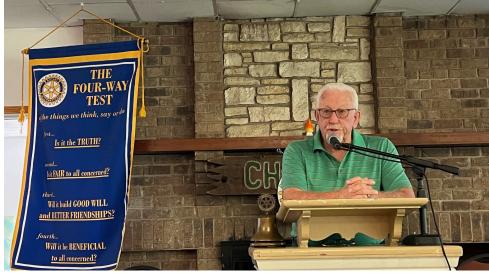


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MIKE BISCHOFF, LAKE LIVINGSTON FISHING CLUB

Hybrid striper bass stocking program discussed

By Mindy Ellis Guest Writer

The Rotary Club of Livingston welcomed Mike Bischoff of the Lake Livingston Fishing Club this past Thursday to discuss the ongoing hybrid striper bass stocking program on Lake Livingston. Bischoff shared vital updates on the program, which aims to enhance both the local ecosystem and the regional economy.

Lake Livingston, with its expansive 80,000 acres of water, offers an ideal environment for the survival and growth of hybrid striped bass. Since the program's inception three years ago, the Lake Livingston Fishing Club, in collaboration with Texas Parks and Wildlife, the Friends of Lake Livingston, and the Trinity River Authority, has worked diligently to establish a thriving population of

In April 2024, the team successfully released 2 million hybrid striper fry into the lake. Two months later, an additional 275,000 fingerlings were introduced. The goal is to achieve a population density of four to six mature fish per acre within two to two and a half years. This level of stocking is expected to be an ongoing effort, with annual releases planned to ensure the sustainability of the fish population.

The economic benefits of the stocking program could be substantial. A healthy hybrid bass population will likely attract fishing enthusiasts from across the region, boosting tourism and creating jobs for the local community. Moreover, a flourishing fish population contributes to the overall health of the lake, which helps improve water quality.

"The hybrid striper bass program is not just about creating a vibrant fishery; it's also an investment in our community," Bischoff said. "With the continued support of organizations and funding, this program has the potential to significantly impact Livingston's economy and environment for years to

As long as the program is deemed worthy of investment, annual stocking will continue, promising a sustained boost to both recreational fishing and the local economy. For the surrounding communities, this initiative represents a valuable opportunity to further leverage Lake Livingston as a key natural and economic resource.







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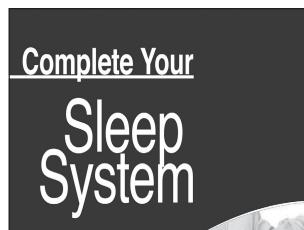
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Local graduates University of Mississippi

From Enterprise Staff

Blake Haynes, of Livingston, is among the more than 900 students who graduated from the University of Mississippi in August 2024. Haynes, who majored in history, received a Bachelor of Arts from the College of Liberal Arts.

"Our August 2024 graduates are distinguished by incredible achievements, character and resilience," Chancellor Glenn Boyce said. "They accomplished so much during their years at Ole Miss, and we can't wait to see all the ways they will pursue their passions and reach their full potential on their paths to a bright future."

August 2024 graduates were invited to walk across the stage at the University of Mississippi 2024 Commencement exercises, which were held May 8-12. Morning convocation was held Saturday, May 11 in the

The University of Mississippi, affectionately known as Ole Miss, is the state's flagship university. Recognized among the nation's most beautiful, Ole Miss' main campus is in Oxford, which is routinely acknowledged as one of the country's best college towns.



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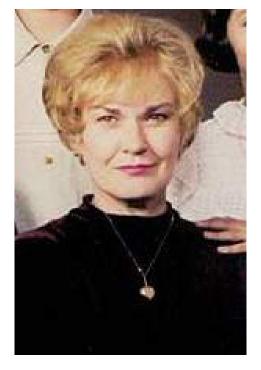
Phyllis Wannelle Glasgow

A memorial service will be held for Phyllis Wannelle Glasgow, 81, of Livingston, Texas on Sunday, September 29, 2024, at 2 p.m. at the Cochran Funeral Home Chapel in Livingston, Texas with Pat Swilley officiating. Visitation will be held Sunday, September 29, 2024, from 1-2 p.m., before the service at the funeral home.

Phyllis was born October 23, 1942 and passed away August 30, 2024 in Livingston, Texas. She was preceded in death by her parents, John Henry Crawford and Eunice (Hood) Crawford; and husband, Richard Neil Glasgow.

She is survived by her daughter, Madonna Glasgow of Livingston, Texas; sons, Neil P. Glasgow and Richard S. Glasgow, both of Livingston, Texas; grandchildren, Sean Glasgow, Jessica Privett and husband Jon, and Tommy Glasgow; great grandchildren, Olivia H. Glasgow, Cora G. Glasgow, Erin A. Glasgow, and Paul Gregory Privett; and siblings, Angier Wade Crawford, Elmer "Bud" Crawford, and Shirley Mosley; along with numerous other relatives and friends.

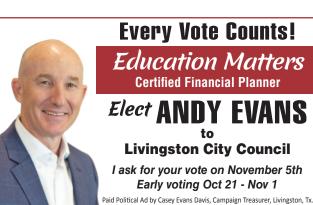
Cochran Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Please sign our online guestbook at www.cochranfh.com.



Phyllis Wannelle Glasgow Memorial service Sunday



Cheryl Timko recently installed the new officers of the Robert Rankin Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution by presenting each officer with a rose, comparing its characteristics to each officer and their duties. She included the members and said that each member was special because they blended with all the characteristics that make a strong chapter. (I-r) Registrar Stacy Callihan, Chaplain Ann Hill, Treasurer Terri Thomason, Secretary Elaine Wells, Vice Regent Phyllis Harrell and Regent Nancy Hawkins. Not pictured: Historian Brenda Peebles. COURTESY PHOTO





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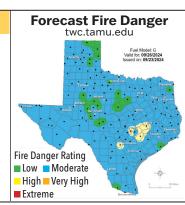


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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We wouldn't kill the elderly or disabled

To the Editor,

Research shows that life begins at conception and that the tiny human is not just a "blob of tissue" when first conceived. Abortion is morally wrong but attempts to label it as healthcare make it easier to defend. Healthcare is given to preserve life, but abortion takes a life. Pregnancy is not a disease.

Research also shows that the majority of abortions are elective. Rape, incest and fetal abnormality make up a small incest, why should that mean his or her life isn't valuable? Even if the baby has been diagnosed from the womb with a serious condition, such as Down's syndrome, we don't have the right to end

the baby's life. We wouldn't kill an elsearch Council at frc.org.

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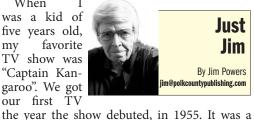
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VIEWING IT DIFFERENTL Two long-time newspaper editorial writers have agreed to take on the editorial pages,

with their views on a variety of subjects. We welcome your comments.

To tell the truth

When was a kid of five years old, favorite TV show was "Captain Kangaroo". We got our first TV



Just Jim By Jim Powers

wooden box with a small screen, but the slightly noisy B&W image was magic. The next year, a new game show came along

that my mom was obsessed with called "To Tell the Truth". You might not think a six-year-old would have much interest in game shows, but it was one of the few shows on one of the three channels we got, so I watched it too. The premise was simple. There were four ce-

lebrities who made up the panel and faced three contestants. The host read aloud an affidavit describing one of the contestant's unusual jobs or experiences. The panelists asked questions of the contestants and tried to determine who the real person was. The actual person had to tell the truth, while the others could lie as much as they wanted to try to fool the panel. It was a very successful show and was revived in one form or another through 2022.

In a game show, lying is all fun and, well, games. In politics, it is corrosive to our democracy and undermines our government. At the very least, we should demand that the officials we elect tell us the truth. But we don't. Anyone who has lived through a few elections can verify that politicians lie. Some lie a lot, some a little; but they do lie. That's a problem in this country's social media-soaked society. It has, in fact, taken us to the precipice in 2024.

When politicians prioritize spin over substance, the electorate becomes cynical, voter apathy sets in, and it diminishes the capacity for real change. The decisions politicians make when they are elected have profound impacts on the lives of millions of people. When they lie, it signals deeper issues such as corruption, selfish ambition, or gross incompetence.

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Watch what is said, and then look for truth elsewhere

There's lies, damned lies and statistics, then there's whatever you want to call what's going on in the national election cycle.

Both sides of the aisle — a euphemism in and of itself for the divide betwixt and between the supposed conservatives and the vehemently liberal are guilty of such things, but I find that particularly with the emergency backup candidate Kamala Harris, it's not just lies, it's a fantasy world of stolen accomplishments wrapped up in her speeches and statements made up of word salad/suc-

If you look at the national media, you'll only find stories making fun of Donald Trump's claim of pets being eaten by Haitian immigrants in Springfield, Ohio; you'll have to dig into social media or fun sites like Breitbart or News-Busters to find stories on the Democrate candidate.

But they're there if you look. The amazing thing about the lies that are coming out of the Harris candidacy is that not only has she claimed successes of the Trump administration as hers, but that all the failures of the Harris/Biden administration are the fault of Trump.

My favorite is, of course, Harris' insistence that she was never in charge of the border since she never was named border czar. The national media was ex-

tremely quick to take up the torch, running with the press releases as opposed to actu-



ally doing solid research and reporting.

Several things to unpack here, most notably the use of language. When Harris' writers are involved, they come up with moderately clever rationalizations for her abysmal showing on the border: since she wasn't "formally" named border czar, she can't be held responsible, and all of the video evidence to the contrary is just smoke and mirrors.

(If left to her own devices, she's the living embodiment of "If you can't dazzle them with brilliance, baffle them BS.")

Not only are the media complicit in fostering the fantasy; the governments at every level are chipping in their efforts, either squeezing social media to squash stories that don't toe the proper line, or trying to pass laws that limit speech, like banning "hate" speech or banning "deepfake" pieces that are critical of the powers that be.

Hillary Clinton has even advocated for criminal penalties to combat misinformation The control of language has

long been a tool of the powerhungry elite. So many phrases, like "repeat a lie often enough, and it becomes the truth" speak to the age-old use of obfuscation to maintain power and control.

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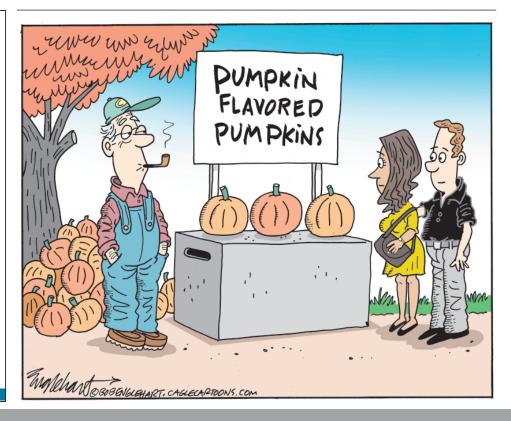
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The History of Livingston Program

Discover the cultural history of the area by listening to two local experts talk about the history of Livingston at 5 p.m. today (Thursday) at the First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall located at 910 N. Washington Ave. in Livingston. Clarke Evans and Gary Davis will provide the program. Evans is a fourthgeneration Polk Countian. His grandparents moved to the area via wagon train soon after the Civil War. He has been in local real estate since 1978. Davis' family has been here for three generations. He is now retired and spends his time investing in real estate and writing about the rich history of Livingston and Polk County. The event is free and open to the public.

Prevention Suicide **Amazing Race**

It's not too late to register your team to participate in the Suicide Prevention Amazing Race slated for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. Hosted by the Mental Health Advancement Foundation, the event will begin at The Inspired Heart at 340 Pan American Dr. in Livingston and will progress to various places in the community as team members gather clues at each stop. It will be a day of excitement, mystery, learning and fun. To register your team, go to mhaftx.org.

Gospel Concert

Great Beginnings Preschool presents a gospel concert featuring Christian recording artist and ICMA award-winning artist Bruce Hendrick at 6 p.m. Saturday at First Methodist Church of Livingston. The concert is free and the public and all denominations are welcome. First Methodist Church is located at 2801 US Hwy. 190 West.

Multiple blood drives available

The Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center has multiple nearby blood drives scheduled. You may schedule your donation by going to commitforlife.org. Mobile drives will be held at the following places:

• Sam Houston Electric Cooperative locat-12:30-5 p.m. on Oct. 2.

• Walmart located at 1620 W. Church St. in Livingston from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Oct. 5. • Eastex Telephone Cooperative Inc. locat-

ed at 1704 Hwy. 59 Loop North in Livingston from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Oct. 9. • Polk County Sheriff's Office at 1733 N.

p.m. on Oct. 10. • CHI St. Luke's Health Memorial located at 1717 U.S. 59 Loop North in Livingston First Methodist Church Pumpkin from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Oct. 14.

National Night Out

Meet the local first responders and visit some informational booths when the City of Onalaska hosts National Night Out from Methodist Church located at 2801 US Hwy. 5:30-7 p.m. Oct. 1 at the Onalaska Volunteer 190 West. A Halloween Pet Costume Parade Fire Department located at 181 Old Groveton & Contest will be held at 11 a.m. Rd. in Onalaska. Family, friends and neighbors are welcome. There will be hot dogs, ap- New Marker Dedication for City's ple pie and ice cream. For more information, visit www.cityofonalaska.us.

First Methodist Church **Pumpkin Patch Official Opening**

cated at 2801 US Hwy. 190 West. The Pumpkin Patch will be open from 4-6 p.m. Fridays, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and from noon to 6 p.m. Sundays. The official opening nearby. This event is rescheduled from May 4 of the Pumpkin Patch will be celebrated from when the flooding occurred. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 5 with a hayride, pinatas, a wet sponge toss and more.

Onalaska Annual Fall Cleanup

The City of Onalaska will host its annual fall cleanup starting at 7:30 a.m. on Oct. 5.

End Abortion Life Chain

People of all faiths will gather along their city streets from 2-3 p.m. Oct. 6 to form a chain of people quietly proclaiming that abortion kills children. They will gather to silently stand together and pray for the nation. Signs will be available at the intersection of or Clara Burnett at 936-328-9621. Church Street and Washington Avenue in Livingston. Participants may bring chairs, First Methodist Church Fall Festival umbrellas and something to drink. Children are welcome. The event will happen rain or hayrides and more will be available at the couraged to attend. shine. For additional information, call Odie Fall Festival hosted by the First Methodist

KIDS FISHING FRENZIE

The City of Livingston Parks & Recreation Department along with the Texas Game Warden Association will host the annual Kids Fishing Frenzie from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday at the pond toward the back of Pedigo Park with registration starting at 8:30 a.m. The fishing frenzie is open to children from birth to age 16. The annual event is fun for the whole family with a stocked pond, food and drinks, trophies and prizes. For additional information, call 936-327-3656.



at 936-577-5235.

Schwab City Baptist Church Holding 190 West.

Schwab City Baptist Church will hold a revival at 6 p.m. nightly Oct. 6-9 at 10998 Hwy. **Treat** 146 South. Paul and Vanessa Cherry will be the special guest speakers. Everyone is invited to attend.

ed at 1157 E. Church St. in Livingston from "The Great Jungle Journey" Vacation Bible School

Pine Forest Baptist Church will host "The Great Jungle Journey" Vacation Bible School from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Oct. 11 and from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Oct. 12 at its campus located at 10537 US Hwy. 190 West. Pre-registration Washington in Livingston from 9 a.m. to 1:30 is available now. Dinner will be served both days and lunch will be served on Saturday

Paws in the Patch

SPCA of Polk County will host a pet adoption, chipping and custom dog tag engraving during Paws in the Patch from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 12 at the Pumpkin Patch at First

Founder

The Polk County Historical Commission and the City of Livingston are inviting everyone to attend and celebrate the dedication of the new grave marker for Moses L. Cho-First Methodist Church will host its annual ate, the City of Livingston's founder, at 10:30 corner of Hwy. 190 (Church Street) and Hwy. 146 (Houston Avenue). Refreshments will be served in the Central Baptist Brick House AAUW Bridge Luncheon

Magnolia Cemetery Homecoming

have its annual homecoming and business meeting at 11 a.m. Oct. 12 followed by a covburied in the cemetery are encouraged to 77351 by Oct. 31. attend the meeting and bring their favorite dish. Donations for the upkeep of the cemetery are appreciated and may be mailed to Secretary/Treasurer Mary Stash at P.O. Box 22, Onalaska, TX 77360. For additional information, call Mary Stash at 936-329-2823

Church from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 19 at First Methodist Church located at 2801 US Hwy.

First Methodist Church Trunk or

Dress in costume for the Trunk or Treat hosted by the First Methodist Church from 4-6 p.m. Oct. 28 at its campus located at 2801 Reading Encourages Advanced De-US Hwy. 190 West.

Trunk or Treat

The Polk County Peace Officers Association will host a Drive-Thru Trunk or Treat from 4-8 p.m. Oct. 29 at Pedigo Park in Livingston. Social distancing will be practiced 2810 U.S. Hwy. 190 West, Ste. 100, PMB 167, during the event so everyone may remain in their vehicles.

Annual Art Show and Sale

The Livingston Art League will host its annual art show and sale from 1-3 p.m. Nov. 2 Open Mic Singing at the First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall located at 910 N. Washington Ave. in Livingston. It is open to the public and admission is free.

Saddle, Buckle Playday Series

The Polk County Youth Rodeo Saddle and Buckle Playday Series for 2024 is underway. The series will be held Oct. 12 and Nov. 16. The events start at 9 a.m. and are held at Barney Wiggins Memorial Arena at 101 Fair St. in Livingston. Events featured are mutton goat slappin' flippin' and tying. Admission is free. Come on out and watch the youth have Pumpkin Patch Oct. 4-27 at its campus lo- a.m. Oct. 12 at the Old City Cemetery at the some fun. Follow the Polk County Youth Rodeo Association Inc. on Facebook.

The 11th annual AAUW Bridge Luncheon Caregivers Support Group and Silent Auction benefitting the memorial scholarship for young women in Polk County is slated for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 7 at the The Magnolia Cemetery of Onalaska will First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall. Gather your foursome and mail the names and \$120 per table to Barbara Alexander others? Then you are invited to attend a Careered dish lunch. Families with loved ones at 190 Northwood Park, Livingston, Texas givers Support Group hosted by the First Bap-

Polk County AAUW

The Polk County branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) meets at 11 a.m. on the third Monday of the month at the First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall at 910 N. Washington Ave. in Livingston. Its mission is to advance equality for women and girls through research, educa-Children and youth games, activities, tion and advocacy. Anyone interested is en-

The Happy Hookers Lake Livingston Fishing

The Lake Livingston Fishing Club, also known as The Happy Hookers, meets at 6:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at the First Presbyterian Church located at 910 N. Washington in Livingston. The mission of the club is to enhance the enjoyment of fishing and the outdoors. The group is free and open to all. For more information, email mbischoff1089@outlook.com

Livingston Lions Club

Where there's a need, there's a Lion. Livingston Lions Club is committed to serving and supporting the community and charitable organizations. Its weekly meetings are noon Wednes-days at Camp Cho-Yeh at 2200 South Washington. For additional information, contact President Paula Harvey at 832-401-1594 or at paula202a@yahoo.com.

AA Groups

AA meets from noon to 1 p.m. on Thursdays in the family center at St. Joseph's Catholic Church located at 2590 U.S. Hwy. 190 West in Livingston. For more information contact Carlos at 936-566-5765.

AA also meets from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Mondays and Fridays at the Holiday Lake Estates Community Center in Goodrich. For more information contact Chuck at 936-433-0763.

Al-Anon Groups

Al-Anon meets from noon to 1 p.m. Thursdays in the family center at St. Joseph's Catholic Church located at 2590 U.S. Hwy. 190 West in Livingston. For more information contact Ed at 713-443-3140 or De-

nise at 936-933-2603. Al-Anon also meets from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays at the First United Methodist Church of Onalaska located at Hwy. 356 South in Onalaska. For more information contact Lottie at 713-291-3388.

velopment Fundraising

Fundraising efforts are always underway for R.E.A.D. (Reading Encourages Advanced Development), the Polk County sponsor for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. To make a contribution, send a check to R.E.A.D., Livingston Texas 77351 or donate online at www.readpolkcounty.com. Since its inception, R.E.A.D. has provided over 100,000 books for children in Polk County.

Indian Springs Chapel hosts an open mic singing at 5 p.m. on the first Saturday of each month at its location at 11386 U.S. Hwy. 190 East in Livingston. Following the singing, there is fellowship and then supper. Music Director Troy Riddle invites everyone to at-

You Can Ministries

You Can Ministries has a new project for at risk youth in the county in which the ministry will serve supper for ages 6-18 from 5-7 bustin', dummy roping, leadline, cloverleaf p.m. Monday through Friday. Youth may barrels, straight away barrels, spur, poles and come as early as 3 p.m. as there will be arts, crafts, painting, reading and assistance with homework. You Can Ministries is located at 908 S. Washington in Livingston. For additional information, contact Carline Daniels at 713-412-8301.

Are you caring for a loved one? Would you like to discuss common issues caregivers have with others in the same situation? Have you cared for someone in the past and would like to share your experiences in order to help tist Church of Providence. The group meets from 6-7:30 p.m. on the first Monday of each month at First Baptist Church of Providence located at 898 Providence Rd. off of Hwy. 146 South. For more information, contact Debbie at 423-416-2971 or Connie at 903-452-1361.

Food Pantry available

Fellowship in the Pines Church offers a monthly food pantry to Polk County residents from 10 a.m. to noon on the third Thursday of each month at the church which is located at 1936 FM 2610.

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Consider how misinformation can distort public policy. If a politician consistently lies about economic figures, climate change, or public health, policies designed to address those issues will be flawed or ineffective. For instance, misrepresenting the state of the economy might lead to misguided fiscal policies that either overspend or cut essential services. In more extreme cases, as with public health crises, lies and misinformation can cost lives, as was evident during the COVID-19 pandemic when downplaying the seriousness of the virus led to delayed responses and higher mortality rates

But one of the most damaging consequences of lies in politics is the erosion of public trust, a result that has accelerated over the last 10 years. Trust is the glue that holds societies together. Without it, our society crum-

In the current era of "alternative facts" and misinformation, public trust in government has reached all-time lows. According to the Pew Research Center, trust in the federal government has been declining for decades, with only 20 percent of Americans saying they trust the government to do what is right in 2021. This decline in trust creates a vicious cycle: when citizens do not trust their leaders, they are less likely to engage in civic activities, vote, or participate in other forms of political engagement. Politicians, in turn, feel less accountable to the public and more likely to act in selfinterest or appease special interests.

Truthfulness from politicians is also essential for maintaining social cohesion. In diverse societies like the United States, where different groups often have competing interests and perspectives, it is crucial that political leaders speak honestly and work to bridge divides. Lies, particularly those that are divisive or scapegoat certain groups, exacerbate tensions and fuel polarization. This not only weakens the democratic process but also heightens the risk of social unrest and conflict. In such an environment, finding common ground becomes nearly impossible, and political discourse devolves into tribalism.

Lies have real-world consequences. Recently, presidential candidate Donald Trump used a bit of his debate time to claim that legal Haitian immigrants were eating people's pets in Springfield, Ohio. "In Springfield, they are eating the dogs. The people that came in, they are eating the cats. They're eating - they are eating the pets of the people that live there," Trump proclaimed during the debate, even though the mayor of Springfield and city officials had already debunked the claim, which started with a Facebook post that the page owner herself disavowed.

The result of this lie revealed itself in the real world

immediately, when threats and bomb scares shut down schools and government buildings in the city.

Trump has told numerous other corrosive and easily debunked lies in the last month. CNN recently debunked 12 lies Trump has spread in the last month. He accused Kamala Harris, his opponent, of wanting to force Americans to serve in the military. Not true. He has said nothing about the draft.

He has claimed repeatedly that Harris "had notes" to assist her in an interview. Also, not true.

Trump has repeatedly claimed that kids are going to school in the morning and returning home with a sexchange operation. He has also claimed that Harris was of Indian heritage but recently "turned black" for political expediency. Of course, that's not true. It goes on and on. (Check out the CNN link above for the full story.)

Restoring truthfulness in politics is no easy task, but it is essential for the health of democratic governance. Several steps can be taken to encourage more honesty from public officials.

First, there must be stronger consequences for dishonesty in politics. While free speech is a constitutional right, politicians who lie to the public—especially about matters of national security, public health, or economic stability-should face sanctions, whether legal or political. Fact-checking organizations and the media have a critical role to play in holding politicians accountable for their statements, but they must remain impartial and resist the temptation to sensationalize.

Second, voters must demand higher standards from their elected officials. Civic education should be prioritized so that citizens are better equipped to recognize misinformation and make informed voting decisions. Social media platforms, which have become major conduits for political discourse, should also take greater responsibility in curbing the spread of false information.

Finally, politicians themselves must take a moral stand. The incentive to lie often stems from the belief that deception is necessary to win elections or stay in power. Leaders who choose to be truthful, even when it is politically inconvenient, can set a powerful example. In the long term, honesty fosters trust, strengthens institutions, and cultivates a more engaged and informed electorate.

I can't say that I'm optimistic that any of these steps will be taken. I've been around 74 years and have watched the steady decline of political and civil discourse in this country. The advent of social media platforms has accelerated that decline, of course, but

We swallow greedily any lie that flatters us, but we sip only little by little at a truth we find bitter. Half a truth is often a great lie." – Martin Luther King, Jr.

Jim Powers writes editorials that reflect his personal opinions. They do not necessarily reflect the views of this publication.

WATCH

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George Orwell, who's kina enjoying a renaissance lately, described it like this in an essay, "Politics and the English Lan-

meaning except in so far as it signifies 'something not desirable.' lows his hearer to think he means The words democracy, socialism, something quite different." freedom, patriotic, realistic, justice have each of them several different meanings which cannot be San Jacinto News-Times and the reconciled with one another. In Trinity County News-Standard. the case of a word like democracy, He writes editorials that reflect not only is there no agreed defini- his personal opinions. They do tion, but the attempt to make one not necessarily reflect the views is resisted from all sides. It is al- of this publication. He can be most universally felt that when reached at tony@polkcountywe call a country democratic we publishing.com.

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Tony Farkas is editor of the

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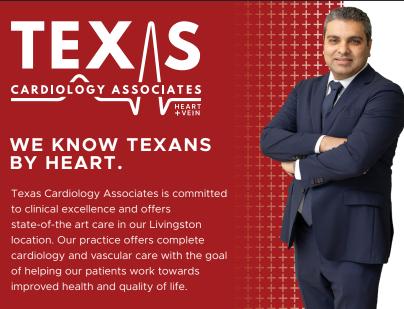
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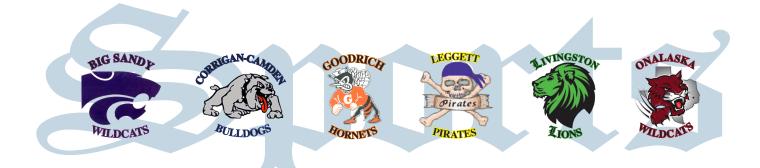
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Crunch time is now

By Brian Besch pcenewsroom@gmail.com

Lion football needs a win.

The reasons are numerous, and the time is Friday. After a bye week, district play begins with Hardin-Jefferson. Beyond that, the team needs positive momentum after an 0-3 run through non-district.

Coach Finis Vanover said his team didn't have much fun during the off week.

"Not a lot, it was sheer misery and the heat was incredible. It tested us daily," he said. "We prepared them for it mentally and physically. We had a good plan with some good guidelines on how we were going to handle it time wise with breaks, so we could get the maximum intensity out of them. We went full pads the entire week with full contact and got after it.

"We think we found some players that want to make plays when the game is on the line. We focused intensely on correcting mistakes and errors and penalties at the worst possible times. We know we have cost ourselves over 700 yards of offense in three games on penalties, with three scores. We would be a powerful 2-1 team right now (if not for) that.

"We had some great lectures and film breakdowns to make them understand and see what we were talking about. I think we have got a group of 40 young men that get it now. They understand, they know who we are, and they know who we have played compared to others."

LION VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

| Aug. 31 | at Fort Bend Austin | L 24-14 |
|----------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Sept. 6 | Needville | L 42-8 |
| Sept. 13 | at Nacogdoches | L34-24 |
| Sept. 20 | open | |
| Sept. 27 | at Hardin-Jefferson | 7:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 4 | Liberty | 7:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 11 | LC-M | 7:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 18 | at Bridge City | 7:30 p.m. |
| Oct. 25 | Huffman Hargrave | 7:30 p.m. |
| Nov. 1 | at Lumberton | 7:30 p.m. |
| Nov. 8 | Vidor | 7:30 p.m. |

The rotation of players at each position has been slimmed for district. Vanover believes he has six offensive and defensive linemen that will allow coaches to cut down on the big guys playing both ways.

For two weeks now, the Hawks of Hardin-Jefferson (2-1) have been the focal point for Livingston. The positive energy generated from a win could pay off large rolling into the final six weeks of 10-4A.

Like many in the area, the Hawks will run a spread offense. That group struggled a bit in two games, but turned in its best performance with 35 points over Buna.

"They've got a good quarterback that is a big kid," Vanover said. "They have always had a stable full of fine running backs. There is one that is a bowling ball fullback, and the other looks about like Jerren

'There are some good basketball-type receivers and secondary kids, who are athletic and can run and jump. Most of them are around six feet or 6-foot-1. They have a lot of spread route theory with crossing routes and 7-on-7

The Hawk defense has been good to this point, Holding teams to seven, 26 and 12 points through

'They have a big, wide nose tackle in an odd-man front. They will bring their linebackers like crazy from different positions, starting five yards deep. Their linebackers and secondary are the



Livingston Lions at Hardin-Jefferson Hawks at Hawk Stadium



| District 10-4A Div. I | W-L | PF | PA |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Bridge City | 3-0 | 132 | 13 |
| Huffman Hargrave | 3-0 | 144 | 49 |
| Hardin-Jefferson | 2-1 | 63 | 45 |
| Vidor | 1-2 | 69 | 95 |
| LC-M | 1-2 | 66 | 66 |
| Livingston | 0-3 | 46 | 100 |
| Liberty | 0-3 | 56 | 78 |
| Lumberton | 0-3 | 40 | 99 |

Last Week District bye week

This Week

Livingston at Hardin-Jefferson 7:30 p.m. Little Cypress-Mauriceville at Vidor 7:30 p.m. **Bridge City at Lumberton** 7:30 p.m. **Huffman Hargrave at Liberty** 7:30 p.m.

most impressive athletes on that side of the ball."

The coach feels confident in the team's preparation for district, and said eliminating most mistakes will be the difference in wins and

"I think folks are going to be proud as heck of the group that shows up Friday night. We've got three good practices scheduled this week for final preparation. We've always done a good job on our open dates, being prepared and ready to go. We think we have found some answers at some key spots that are going to help us. We think we are going to be able to do some good things for a change and stop - not shooting ourselves but - blowing our foot completely off our legs."

'Dogs face final non-district challenge

By Albert Trevino

The (2-2) Corrigan-Camden Bulldogs will travel to face the (2-2) Joaquin Rams for the 2024 non-district finale this Friday.

After earning a home victory last week over Elkhart, the Bulldogs will look to build on that momentum leading to the bye week, meeting the Rams for the first time since the 2019 season.

Friday's road match presents an ideal challenge before starting a competitive district schedule. Bulldog head coach Brett Ratliff anticipates a tough, hard-hitting game that will require the team to rest and recover during the upcoming break.

before district play," said Ratliff. ed 33-11 by the Cooper Bulldogs. "Also, it is really good to have a afterward."

The Rams just suffered a 64-19 2020 season. blowout loss on the road last week

with just two district wins (over quin in the 2019 season. Grapeland and West Sabine) and those six district games.

This was a huge downturn from talize on scoring opportunities.

BULLDOG VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

| Aug 30 | Tarkington | W 27-24 |
|----------|---------------|----------|
| Sept. 6 | at Hardin | L 26-6 |
| Sept. 13 | at Kirbyville | L 34-28 |
| Sept. 20 | Elkhart | W 21-8 |
| Sept. 27 | at Joaquin | 7:30 p.m |
| Oct. 4 | open | |
| Oct. 11 | Groveton | 7 p.m. |
| Oct. 18 | at Hearne | 7 p.m. |
| Oct. 25 | Normandy | 7 p.m. |
| Nov. 1 | at Leon | 7 p.m. |
| Nov. 8 | Centerville | 7 p.m. |

the 2022 season, where the Rams

showing, but we will need that rest to Corrigan to take over as head plan. coach and athletic director in the

against the Grand Saline Indians. Seven Armstrong, the Bulldogs' possibility of getting some big-However, Joaquin scored an aver- smashmouth run approach was ger plays," Ratliff said. "Our game age 62 points in two wins over the overpowered by Joquin in the two Frankston Indians and Tenaha Ti- previous matchups. Corrigan fell der Coach Armstrong [in terms of] Last year, the Rams struggled fered a narrow 16-14 loss to Joa- have to make every one of our pos-

missed the playoffs. Joaquin also al- Bulldogs at that last meet. Corri-

Despite the change in scheme "Joaquin will be the most physi- finished district with a 5-1 record. under Ratliff's spread offense, the cal team we play in non-district. It Joaquin reached the regional play- core focus remains on ball control is great for us to go into this match off round that year, but were defeat- and clock management, similar to what was emphasized under Arm-This will be the first meeting be- strong. Ratliff stated the need to bye next week, because I predict tween these teams since Ratliff, a maximize each drive, as Joaquin a bloody battle. We want a strong former Bulldog himself, returned is expected to have a similar game This Week

"Previously, it was a lot of 'three yards and a cloud of dust' on both Under previous head coach sides. Now, I think we have the plan is still similar to the past un-21-0 to the Rams in 2018, then suf- controlling the ball and clock. We sessions count, because they will Sloppy offensive play cost the try to do the same thing.'

Ratliff feels better about the size



Jewett Leon

Centerville

District 12-2A Div. I

Corrigan-Camden

Corrigan-Camden Bulldogs at Joaquin Rams at 7:30 p.m.

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Grapeland 48, Groveton 6 Marlin 33, Hearne 13 **Jewett Leon 41, Cross Roads 21** Bruceville-Eddy 14, Normangee 7

Corrigan-Camden at Joaquin

Frankston at Groveton Rosebud-Lott at Normangee **Bruceville-Eddy at Leon** Rogers at Centerville **Hearne at Lexington**

back Cooper Bragg and senior line- athletic and fast. [Cummings] is a man Brayden Cummings. "Joaquin is like us in numbers, man," said Ratliff.

lowed an average of 44 points over gan's defense held the Rams to two matchup this time versus the Rams, being the only 2A school we play touchdowns, but struggled to capi- which includes key players like in non-district. [Bragg] would be closer is set for 7:30 p.m. at Ram sophomore linebacker and running their best playmaker. He is very Stadium (Joaquin High School).

great offensive and defensive line-

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OFFCIAL RECORDS

JUSTICE COURT Precinct 2 Judge Sarah Rasberry presiding.

Criminal Docket

Jason W. Schiele, burglary of habitation. Joe Hall Lipe III, aggravated assault with deadly weapon.

Justin Wayne Ille, terroristic threat of

family/household. Justin Wayne Ille, terroristic threat. Justin Wayne Ille, criminal trespass.

Luis Pacajoj-Panto, assault causing bodily

Luis Pacajoj-Panto, interfere with emergency request.

David S. Yates, issuance of bad check. M. Marquez Campos, no driver's license (when unlicensed).

Matthew Earl Mars, outdoor burning of

James E. Poindexter, driving while license

Leslie Marie Dryden, driving while license bond.

Patrick S. Johnson, driving while license

invalid.

Pearl B. Margeson, theft \$1-\$50. Charles M. Newman, driving while license

Austin Alan Green, assault by physical

Todd Warren Falk, public intoxication. **Sky Marie Harrison**, driving while license

Peter A. Buchannah, driving while license invalid.

Bonds set

Billy Vernon Lambeth, criminal trespass, bond not determined.

Ned Alan Smith, aggravated sexual assault child, \$1,000,000.

David Allen Lester, driving while intoxicated, \$20,000.

David Allen Lester, evading arrest/

detention with vehicle, \$20,000. David Allen Lester, resist arrest, search or

transport, \$2,000. Michael Ray Adkins, Montgomery

County warrant theft, \$2,000. **David Allen Lester**, driving while license

invalid with previous conviction/suspension, Michael Ray Adkins, Montgomery

County warrant theft, \$4,000. Jonathan Wayne Osage, burglary of

vehicle, \$1,000.

John Earl White III, driving while license \$3,000.

invalid, \$500.

John Wesley Fulcher, parole violation, no

James F. Atkinson, theft of property with previous, \$10,000.

Zechariah N. Russell, terroristic threat, no bond. Todd Warren Falk, public intoxication,

bond not determined. Laundrea Johnson, manufacture/delivery

of controlled substance, \$100,000. Bobby Maxwell Fox, assault causing

bodily injury, \$10,000. Victor Lee Elizondo, possession of

controlled substance, \$10,000. Victor Lee Elizondo, unlawful possession of weapon, \$2,000.

Victor Lee Elizondo, possession of

marijuana, \$1,000. George Earl Owens, criminal trespass,

Jeremias Fuentes, probation violation, no

Glen Dorris Thomas, possession of drug paraphernalia, bond not determined.

Monique N. Murdock, motion to revoke probation, no bond.

Brandon Wayne Welch, assault causing

bodily injury, \$2,500. Brandon Wayne Welch, terroristic threat,

Gavin Wayne Allen, motion to revoke

probation – online solicitation, no bond.

Gavin Wayne Allen, motion to revoke probation – online solicitation, no bond. Gavin Wayne Allen, motion to revoke

probation – online solicitation, no bond. Joshua Lipe, terroristic threat of family/

household, \$3,000. Thomas Glenn Dorris, motion to revoke probation – assault family/house member, no

Thomas Glenn Dorris, motion to revoke

probation - obstruction or retaliation, no

Thomas Glenn Dorris, possession of drug paraphernalia, bond not determined.

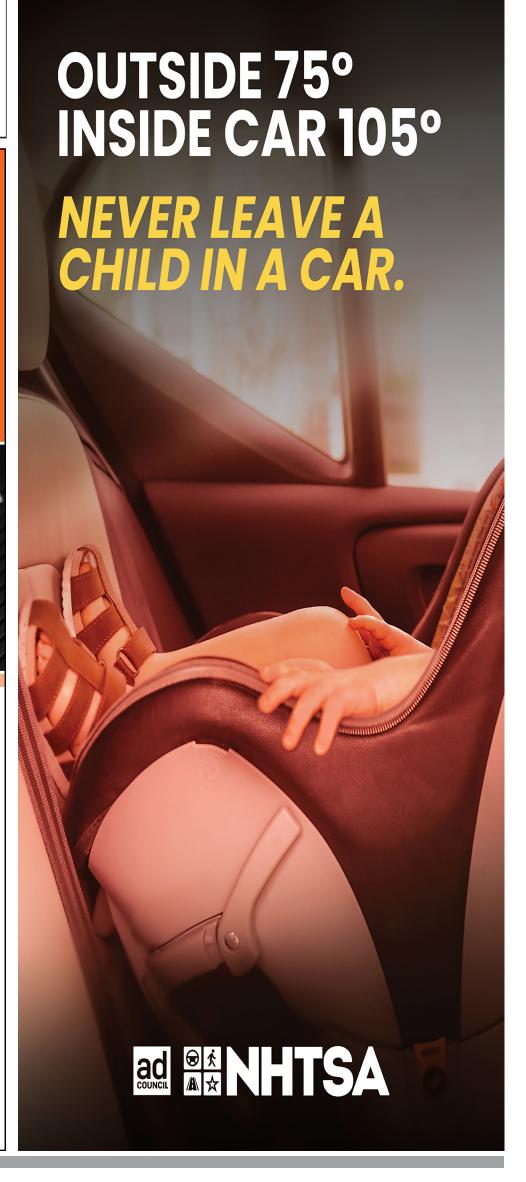
Christian Ramos, possession of marijuana < 50 lbs. > 5 lbs., \$15,000.

Joseph Anwar Sarkis, indecent exposure, \$2,000.

Tanner Ray Poncho, driving while intoxicated, \$1,000.

Stephen A. Kasprak, assault/family violence, \$20,000.

Stephen A. Kasprak, terroristic threat,





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| 9/27 Hardin-Jefferson* | |
| 10/4 Liberty* | 7:30pm |
| 10/11 Cypress-Mauriceville* ** | 7:30pm |
| 10/18 Bridge City* | 7:30pm |
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Voter registration deadline nears

Eligible Texans planning to vote in the November general election have until Oct. 7 to register, Texas Secretary of State Jane Nelson reminds folks. The registration deadline applies to both early and election day voting.

'Texans have just a few short weeks left to register to vote, and I want to ensure all eligible Texans who want to make their voices heard are registered and prepared to do so," Nelson said.

Instructions on how to register to vote and how to update existing voter registrations can be found at VoteTexas.org. To be eligible to vote, you must be a U.S. citizen, a resident of the county where you register and at least 18 years old on Election Day.

Texas officials say they have scrubbed voter rolls of more than 1 million voters deemed ineligible. The routine process culls people who have moved out of state or are dead. Voters can ensure they are registered by going to the My Voter Portal on the secretary of state's website, https://teamrvmvp.sos.texas.gov/MVP/mvp.do

Early voting begins on Oct. 21 and ends Nov. 1. The last day to apply for a ballot by mail is Oct. 25. Election Day is Nov. 5.

Venezuelan gang designated terrorist organization

Gov. Greg Abbott and state officials have labeled the Venezuelan gang Tren de Aragua as a "foreign terrorist organization," the Austin American-Statesman reported.

The gang originated in Venezuela's prison system a decade ago and first operated from the state of Aragua, from which it derives its name. Its criminal activities include drug trafficking, human smuggling, kidnapping, extortion and illegal mining, according to the report. State officials believe the gang is operating in Texas.

"Our goal is to defend Texas from the growing threat of the gang," Abbott said.

for November election



"We will not let them use Texas as a base of operations to terrorize our citizens."

Abbott has said El Paso is a locus of illegal activity by members of Tren de Aragua. A law passed in 2023 to target smugglers of undocumented immigrants will be used against gang members, he said.

Judge tosses Paxton suit against Bexar County

A state district judge last week threw out a lawsuit filed by Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton against Bexar County's plan to mail voter registration forms to country residents, The Texas Tribune reported. Since the forms have already been mailed, District Judge Antonia Arteaga ruled the case was

Paxton sued the county to attempt to block the mailing of the forms. He asserted that the efforts in Bexar County, as well as in Harris and Travis counties, are a violation of state law and risk adding noncitizens to voter rolls. Bexar county commissioners called the claims misleading and unfounded.

A similar suit against Travis County has been moved to federal court, where county officials are also challenging Paxton's efforts to stop voter registration efforts. In addition, Jolt, a nonprofit that is pushing for increased Latino participation in the electoral process, has sued Paxton after being targeted in a separate investigation into its registration

Project 2025 data shows little evidence of voter fraud

Data compiled by the Heritage Foundation, architect of the controversial Project 2025, indicates noncitizen voting in Texas is

not a widespread problem, the Texas Newsroom reported. A database maintained since 2017 houses state data since 2005. Only three instances of

noncitizens casting ballots have been found

since 2012, the database indicates. The Heritage Foundation has recently sounded alarm bells about potential noncitizen voting in the upcoming general election. The American Immigration Council cited the foundation's own data as proof that noncitizen voting is not a widespread prob-

lem. "The lessons to take from Heritage's own database are that noncitizen voting is not a serious problem and that to the extent rare cases occur, they would be best addressed by better training government workers to recognize immigration documents and follow procedure," wrote Aaron Reichlin-Melnick, a senior fellow at the council.

PUC urged to more closely vet plant loan applicants

The Public Utility Commission has drawn criticism after initially approving a power plant project in the Rio Grande Valley for a company whose CEO was convicted of embezzlement seven years earlier.

The application has since been canceled,

the Texas Standard reported. Earlier this month, the Senate Finance Committee grilled agency leaders, who are tasked with approving loans out of a \$5 billion fund approved by lawmakers to boost the state's power grid.

"The role of your organization has changed dramatically," state Sen. Paul Bettencourt, R-Houston, told PUC Chair Thomas Gleeson. "We're expecting more from you. You're not just a [electricity] rate organization anymore."

Gleeson said the PUC would review its processes and has penalized Deloitte, the firm hired to administer the Texas Energy Fund, by cutting its contract by 10%. The agency is under pressure to finish loaning the \$5 billion by the end of 2025, according to the legislation.

Time for flu, COVID-19 vaccines

Autumn has officially arrived, which means it's the season to consider booster shots for the flu, COVID-19 and other immunizations, such as shingles or pneumonia. The Statesman reported healthcare providers say it's OK to get both the flu and COVID-19 shots at the same time, but people should first check with their healthcare

The federal Food and Drug Administration has approved three updated COVID-19 boosters, and the agency urges people of all ages to get vaccinated. The vaccines typically become effective in two weeks, healthcare authorities say. Most insurance plans cover the cost of the vaccines.

Gary Borders is a veteran award-winning Texas journalist. He published a number of community newspapers in Texas during a 30year span, including in Longview, Fort Stockton, Nacogdoches, Lufkin and Cedar Park. *Email: gborders@texaspress.com.*

All about 'hunting buggies'



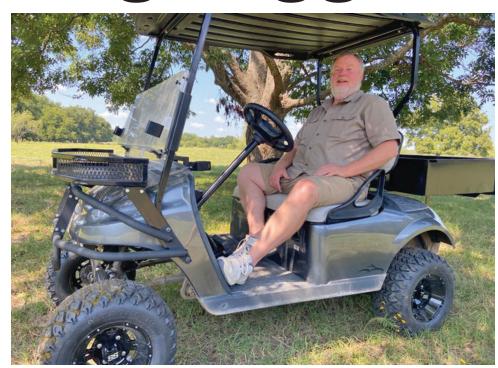
I remember well my introduction to what I refer to as 'electric hunting buggies'. The correct name would be EZ Go elec-

tric golf carts converted for use in the field other than the smooth riding surfaces of a golf course. Well over a decade ago, I began visiting with Ken Blackstock who owned Plano Golf Carts in Plano for many years. Ken and his brother Robert left Ken's

current headquarters in Nevada, Texas loaded with one of their very rugged converted golf carts on a trailer and pulled it out to my place to put it through its paces. I remember telling my newfound friends that if the buggy preformed as well as it looked, I had great plans for it!

With big tires, a bed that converts to an extra seat, high performance 10 hp electric engine, front storage bin and a heavy-duty adjustable controller, the buggy setting in my yard was everything I had envisioned. But how would it perform. I weighed a couple hundred pounds, and I was the lightest of our little 'test group'. With about 500 pounds of lead batteries for power close to 700 pounds of 'testers' onboard, we headed about a mile from my home to some rough country that I hunted at the time.

Ken allowed me to drive and on the asphalt road, I could feel the torque generated by the oversized engine. Once we entered the property, a series of old gravel pits that had been dug back in the sixties, the versatility of a machine that was once used



Ken Blackstock and his Texas 'hunting buggy'.

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for transporting golfers around on a manicured golf course became evident. Even with a load of over a thousand pounds of batteries and 'testers', the buggy easily negotiated the slopes created by an excavator many years prior when the area was mined for sand and gravel.

During that fall and winter, my 'hunting buggy' transported me to and from my close to home hunting area on many trips and helped me haul everything from corn for feeders to the Snap Lock Hunting Blinds that I hunted from. It was also a lifesaver (and back saver) when it was time to transport wild hogs and deer out of some pretty rough country. I learned my buggy was perfect for negotiating dry terrain, but it definitely was not designed to be used for 'mudding'. I learned to steer clear of muddy areas but carried a winch onboard which I occasionally had to use when I got a little too brave and attempted to plough through

deep mud. About this time, a buddy and I began outfitting archery elk and bear hunts in the mountains of northern Colorado. We had to negotiate a pretty steep road for about a mile in route to the higher elevations where we often encountered game. My partner had hunted with me on my buggy here in Texas and was quite impressed. He soon purchased his own buggy from Ken and we began towing our quiet electric hunting machines all the way near the Wyoming

border each fall. They performed flawlessly for the seven years we used them up there and allowed us to approach our hunting areas quietly. Once, when Ken and Robert came up to hunt with us, we loaded a bear that Robert had arrowed on the buggy and four of us rode our hunting cart a good mile through a rough winding mountain trail back to camp. That had to be the ultimate acid test for the converted golf cart!

Fast forward to last week. Ken and Robert again pulled a hunting buggy out to my place for a test run. As they pulled trailer with buggy strapped down into my yard, I was getting a bit of déjà vu. Lots had transpired since that test run many years ago, including some huge advances in golf cart technology. As often the case, I had prepared a barbeque dinner for us and a great friend that lives down the road offered his ranch as a test ground for the new 'buggy' setting on the trailer. After setting up 'camp' in the shade of a huge pecan tree, we began putting Ken's new conversion buggy through its paces. With one lightweight lithium battery as power, the weight of the 500 pounds of lead batteries was eliminated, no longer was the oversized electric engine necessary.

"We've set these buggies up for use on a basic Texas deer lease." Says Ken. It is designed for transportation on the deer lease, transporting hunters and game to and from camp as well as other deer lease tasks such as hauling corn for feeders, etc. The lithium battery is a huge improvement over the old-style lead batteries. They charge in half the time of lead acid batteries and are basically trouble free. No longer is it necessary to continually be checking water levels in the old-style batteries or cleaning posts. By making adjustments to the controller to facilitate hill climbing, the units are more than adequate for the terrain encountered on most Texas leases."

We began our test with a basic deer lease chore, filling a corn feeder. With corn in the bed of the buggy and two guys totaling about 450 pounds we headed out to the first feeder which was suspended from a large limb on a pecan. We backed the buggy up under the feeder, stood in the bed on the back and easily filled the feeder.

It was then time to put the buggy to the real test of climbing what I considered a pretty steep hill, actually two of them. A slough traverses the perimeter of my buddy's ranch. From the top of the bank down to the water is at least 40 feet and the slope is an estimated 30 degrees. With our group of 'testers' watching closely, Ken drove the buggy down one of the slopes, crossed about 10 inches of running water and up the other bank at about half throttle. I later hopped on with him and the buggy easily negotiated the slope with the two of us on-

Back at camp to enjoy a tasty smoked pork, pinto bean and potato salad lunch with a buggy still had several miles of battery life left. I was completely sold on the versatility and power of the converted golf cart. At less than half the cost of a factory model with a three-year warranty on the lithium battery and 3 month warranty on the buggy, this might just be the best deal available on a very serviceable machine tailor made for the deer lease.

To learn more, visit www.iridegolfcarts. com. Watch our TV show "A Sportsmans Life" on YouTube and Carbon TV this week to see Ken's buggy in action.

Legal Notices

Estate of Jim W. Dorris, forclosure in Yaupon Cove Estates

Yaupon Cove Property Owners Association, Inc. intends to foreclose its lien on the following property: Estate of Jim W. Dorris Onalaska, Texas 77386. Yaupon Cove Prop-

erty Owners Association, Inc. will take this NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: Self-storage action through appropriate court actions and Notices as provided by law.

Guardianship for Polk County minor

IN THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW OF POLK COUNTY STATE OF TEXAS IN RE: GUARDIANSHIP OF THE PERSON AND ESTATE OF KODY LEE BATCH-ELOR, A MINOR CAUSE NO. 24CGU0011 NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that Letters of Guardianship for the Person and Estate of KODY LEE BATCH-ELOR, a minor, were issued on September 3, 2024, in Docket No. 24CGU0011, in the County Court at Law of Polk County, Texas, to VICKI RUSSELL, as Guardian of the Person and Estate. The residence of the Guardian is in Polk County, Texas, and the mailing address is: VICKI RUSSELL Guardian of the Person and Estate of KODY LEE BATCHELOR, c/o Jason S. Armstrong, 104

West Lufkin Avenue Lufkin, Texas 75904. All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. SIGNED September 23, 2024. VICKI RUS-SELL, Guardian of the Person and Estate of KODY LEE BATCHELOR, a MINOR. Respectfully submitted, JASON S. ARM-STRONG State Bar No. 00793277 ANN SAMUEL State Bar No. 24051285 Jason S. Armstrong, P.L.L.C., 104 W. Lufkin Avenue, Lufkin, Texas 75904. t: (936) 634-6400. f: (936) 639-1274. jsarmstrong@tejaselderlaw. com, asamuel@tejaselderlaw.com. ATTOR-NEYS FOR GUARDIAN.

Big Sandy ISD seeks bids for Ball Park Road improvements

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tions can be picked up at the Administration Building. Big Sandy ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Bids will be awarded at the regular board meeting on Monday, October 7, 2024, located at 9180 FM 1276, Dallardsville, Texas 77332.

October 4, 2024 @ 12:00 PM. Bid Specifica-

Legal Notices

Cube self storage sale October 8 at 10 a.m.

Cube contents of the following customers containing household and other goods will be sold for cash by CubeSmart Asset Management, LLC as Agent for Owner to satisfy a lien on October 8, 2024 at approx. 10:00 AM at www.storagetreasures.com: 447 Old Trinity Rd S, Onalaska, TX 77360. Jerry Falk, 10010 US Hwy 190, Point Blank, TX 77364, James Cain.

Polk County seeks bids for Onalaska WSC Plant 3

ADVERTISEMENT AND INVITATION FOR BIDS Polk County will receive bids for Onalaska WSC Plant 3 E.S.T TIE-IN.- 2021 ARPA-SLFRF until 11:00 AM on October 15, 2024 at Onalaska W.S.C. Office located at 1598 FM 3459, Onalaska, Texas 77360. The bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud at 11:05 AM on October 15, 2024 in the Onalaska W.S.C. Office Meeting Room located at 1598 FM 3459, Onalaska, Texas 77360 . Bids are invited for several items and quantities of work as follows: 1. Approximately 552 LF of 6" and 12" waterline, valves, and fittings 2. Related work 3. Additive alternate: Cut-in two 12" gate valves. Bid/Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications are on file at GLS, 1609 South Chestnut, Suite 202, Lufkin, TX 75901. Bid/Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications are on file and may be reviewed at GLS, 1609 S. Chestnut, Suite 202, Lufkin, Texas 75901 (936) 637- 4900 . Bid/Contract Documents may be viewed and downloaded free of charge (with the option to purchase hard copies) at www.civcastusa.com . A bid bond in the amount of 5 percent of the bid

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Storage units to be auctioned October 6th Notice of public sale of property to satisfy a landlord's lien in accordance with Chapter 59 of the Texas Property Code. Home Town Mini Storage, LLC is located at 3495 State Hwy 146 S., Livingston, TX 77351. Sale to be held online at www.storagetreasures.com. Bidding will open September 30, 2024 at 10am and conclude October 6, 2024 at 10am. Cleanup deposit is required. Seller reserves the right to remove the property from sale

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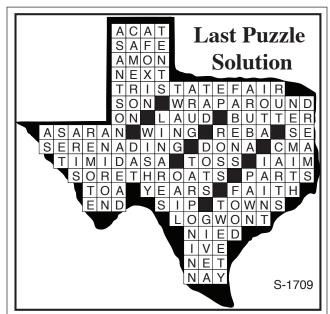
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Admissions Clerk-PRN

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THE BRYAN FAMILY estate sale will be held this Friday-Saturday, September 27th-28th at 1650 N. Home St. Corrigan from 8am-3pm. (39-1t--cc-PCE)

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A BOOKSTORE FOR CHARITY is located inside the Tyler County Booster newspaper office located at 205 W. Bluff in Woodville. All books are 25 cents each, or fill a bag for \$2. All proceeds benefit Tyler County non profits. (2-tfn-nc-TCB)

GARAGE SALE Friday-Saturday September 27th-28, starts at 8am, 117 Short Street, Hog Heaven Subdivision, Trinity. (39-1t-pd-TCNS)

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TexSCAN Week of Sept. 22-28, 2024

AUCTION

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Employment

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Employment

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1968 FORD MUSTANG, numbers matching, 289 motor, automatic transmission, factory AC. It has been sitting for a while, motor has been stored in a shed, \$3,500 OBO. Can be viewed in the Goodrich area. Call (936)252-1833. (37-tfn-nc-PCE)

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(43-tfn-b-TCB)

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