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## Gregorski talks TRE at Katy Area EDC meeting

**BY GEORGE SLAUGHTER**  
NEWS EDITOR

Katy ISD Superintendent Ken Gregorski described the district's tax ratification election, which if approved by voters in November would go towards staff and faculty pay raises.

Gregorski spoke Tuesday at the Katy Area Economic Development Council meeting, which was held at the district's L.D. Robinson Pavilion. 5801 Katy Hockley Rd.

Trustees in August voted to place the is-

sue on the ballot while they approved a \$1.2 billion budget. According to district figures, about 88% of the budget goes towards staff salaries.

The district's overall tax rate dropped from \$1.3517 to \$1.3048 per \$100 property evaluation. This is a \$0.0469, or 3.5% decrease. This drop is reflected in the district's maintenance and operations rate. State law requires the maintenance and operations rate drop when property values increase.

Using the newly adopted \$1.3048 rate, a property valued at \$363,366, with a taxable value of \$324,213, would have a tax bill of \$4,230.

If voters approve, or ratify, the tax rate in November, the rate would remain at last year's \$1.3517 rate. Using this same \$363,366 property valuation example, the tax bill would be \$4,382, a \$152 increase.

"Our goal is to use those dollars for staff and employee raises," Gregorski said, adding that districts are competing for teachers.

Katy-area property owners can expect to pay more because property values have risen, despite the lower tax rate. The demand

for homes in the school district remains strong and the student enrollment continues to increase dramatically. Gregorski said the district has about 92,000 students now. Last month, Gregorski said the district expects to have an enrollment of about 100,000 students by 2030.

While Gregorski said he was not advocating voters approve or reject that measure, he did say he wanted to explain what a TRE is. He said he is often asked why money

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## 3 wounded at party in Greater Katy area

**STAFF REPORT**

Three people, at least two of them teenagers, were shot and wounded Saturday night at a large party, the Harris County Sheriff's office said.

The incident happened at a home in the 21100 block of Bridge Springs Lane. The house is in the Lakes of Bridgewater subdivision, near McDonald Junior High and Golbow Elementary.

The sheriff's office said deputies responded to a call in which the shooting was reported. When they arrived at the scene, they found a large party going on, with as many as 200 people, most of them teenagers, in attendance.

The sheriff's office said in a tweet that a person opened fire at the party. The person fled the location before deputies arrived, but three people were hit.

The sheriff's office said the two wounded teenagers are said to be in stable condition. The third wounded person left before deputies arrived. Deputies do not have an identification or condition on the third person.

Anyone with information is asked to call the sheriff's office at 713-221-6000 or CrimeStoppers at 713-222-TIPS.



Katy Mayor Dusty Thiele and Pattison Mayor Joe Garcia.

## Local mayors describe challenges facing their cities

**BY GEORGE SLAUGHTER**  
NEWS EDITOR

Managing growth was a key topic of discussion at a mayor's roundtable at a Sept. 15 Fulshear Area Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Aaron Groff of Fulshear, Bob Hall of Weston Lakes, Dusty Thiele of Katy and Joe Garcia of Pat-

tison were the speakers. The meeting was held at Parkway Fellowship, 27043 FM 1093 in Fulshear.

Groff, elected in 2018, said his city now has over 25,000 people. He said 4,000 new permits for homes were expected in 2023.

Entertainment options are part of Fulshear's

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VICTOR MORALES

Fort Bend County Pct. 1 Commissioner Victor Morales meets Harold Daily, who donated a 68-acre lot of land to the county for use as a nature preserve and community park. Daily died Sept. 13. He was 97.

## Fort Bend County benefactor Harold Daily dies

**BY GEORGE SLAUGHTER**  
NEWS EDITOR

Dr. Harold Daily, a benefactor of Fort Bend County, died Sept. 13. He was 97.

Daily is the namesake of a forthcoming community center that will sit on a six-acre lot next to the Fort Bend County Pct. 1 Park at 4026 Nails Road in Simonton. Daily in 2016 donated a 68-acre lot of land to the county for use as a nature preserve and community park.

Don McCoy, Fulshear Katy Area Chamber of Commerce president, said Daily offered to donate the six additional acres, and the chamber promised to build a center that where non-profit groups could meet.

"Often, nonprofits have a hard time finding a place of minimal cost," McCoy said. "We wanted a place where they could meet at no or minimal cost."

Playing on the name, McCoy said the center's motto would be, "A place to learn daily."

Part of the park includes a baseball field. McCoy said the park hosted a Little League baseball game before Daily died.

Fort Bend County is helping with park maintenance. Pct. 1 Commissioner Vincent Morales got to know Daily only recently but shared fond memories.

"Coming into the new Precinct One area after redistricting and meeting Dr. Daily was one of the highlights of my time here so far," Morales said. "His passing will be a real loss to our community, yet we are thankful to have the Abe & Lizzie Daily Park to remember

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BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF HOUSTON

A bagpiper leads a group of students at the British International School of Houston, 2203 N. Westgreen Blvd., to an on-campus commemorative thanksgiving event honoring the life of Queen Elizabeth II of the United Kingdom. Events included a special assembly and a tree-planting ceremony where students and staff laid down flowers in the queen's memory. The queen's funeral was held Monday in London.

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## EDUCATION BRIEFS

### Taylor Athletic Booster Club hosting trivia night fundraiser Sept. 24

The Taylor High School Athletic Booster Club is hosting a trivia night fundraiser, which will be from 7-10 p.m. Sept. 24 in the commons at the high school, 20700 Kingsland Blvd.

Dinner and concessions will be available for purchase and a silent auction will also take place.

For more information and to register, visit the website [taylormustangs.org/page/show/3973400-fundraisers](http://taylormustangs.org/page/show/3973400-fundraisers).

### KARE Spirit Day set for Sept. 27

Katy Area Retired Educators (KARE) is partnering with Adriatic Café, 27240 Katy Fwy., to raise scholarship money.

On Spirit Day, 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Sept. 27, Adriatic Café will donate 20% of sales to the KARE Scholarship Fund when customers mention KARE when placing their orders.

### Katy ISD students named National Merit Scholarship semifinalists

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation has announced the names of over 16,000 semifinalists who participated in the 68th Annual National Merit Scholarship Program, and among them are 77 Katy ISD high school students.

These students have the opportunity to continue in the competition for over 7,000 National Merit Scholarships, totaling nearly \$28 million, that will be awarded to students next spring. The following Katy ISD campuses have students named as semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship Corporation program:

- Taylor High School, six semifinalists.
- Cinco Ranch High School, 11 semifinalists.
- Jordan High School, 11 semifinalists.
- Tompkins High School, 21 semifinalists.
- Seven Lakes High School, 28

semifinalists.

To become a finalist, students and a high school official must submit a detailed scholarship application, in which they provide information about the semifinalist's academic record, their participation in school and community activities, information demonstrating leadership abilities, employment and any honors and awards received.

Additionally, a semifinalist must have an outstanding academic record throughout high school, be endorsed and recommended by a high school official, write an essay and earn SAT or ACT scores that confirm their performance on the qualifying test.

Ronnie Edwards, assistant superintendent for school leadership and support, said the district is proud of their students and their accomplishments.

"To have 77 Katy ISD students advancing to the finalist stage of the National Merit Scholarship Program is a testament to their pursuit for academic excellence," Edwards said.

Katy ISD semifinalists will be recognized at a district-wide reception on October 24.

To see a full list of students, visit the website, the abbreviated URL for which is [bit.ly/3xo3zqh](http://bit.ly/3xo3zqh).

### Katy ISD Education Foundation to host Fireflies and Foodtrucks Oct. 13

The Katy ISD Education Foundation is hosting Fireflies & Foodtrucks, a fundraiser that benefits Katy ISD teacher grants.

The event is set for 6 p.m. Oct. 13 at No Label Brewery, 5351 1st St.

The adults-only admission includes full access to all food trucks, No Label brews and live entertainment by Katy's own Hayden Baker. Cash bar begins at 8:00 p.m. V.I.P. bar experience and night-of raffle ticket sales are additional cost.

Tickets are \$60, with Party Pack tickets available for \$55. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit the website, the abbreviated URL for which is [bit.ly/3DD4Uh2](http://bit.ly/3DD4Uh2).



GEORGE SLAUGHTER

Jim "Mattress Mack" McIngvale, left, spoke at the Thursday meeting of the Katy Area Retired Educators (KARE), and described the trade school he created at his Gallery Furniture store at 6006 North Fwy. in Houston. Presenting him with some Katy city swag are Mayor Dusty Thiele and Council Member-at-Large and Mayor Pro Tem Chris Harris.

### Royal ISD Falcon Partners Program providing opportunities for students, staff and community

Royal ISD is looking for partners for various district activities as part of its 2022-23 Falcon Partners Program.

The program joins local organizations with Royal ISD to provide unique opportunities throughout the school year for students, staff, and community. Activities include campus opportunities, National Night Out, staff appreciation days, among other opportunities.

Opportunities are available beginning this month and continuing through August 2023. For more information, call Christi Ginn at 979-221-4080 or email her at [cginn@royal-isd.net](mailto:cginn@royal-isd.net).



COLE MCNANNA

The Taylor High School Athletic Booster Club is hosting a trivia night fundraiser Sept. 24. Proceeds benefit Taylor Mustangs athletics.

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- Widely used exclamation
- Car mechanics group
- Not good
- Indigenous people of Alberta
- Everyone has one
- Fencing sword
- Soaks
- The human foot
- Of she
- Erythrocyte (abbr.)
- Soldiers
- Energy, style and enthusiasm
- Playwright O'Neill
- Stone parsley
- Small stones
- Gas descriptor
- Monetary unit of Samoa
- Jeans manufacturer
- NHL great Bobby
- Cool!
- Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
- Winged
- Partner to "ooled"
- Defensive nuclear weapon
- Coated
- Furry household friend
- Chinese principle underlying the universe

**CLUES DOWN**

- Eggs in a female fish
- Military mailbox
- Unit to compare power levels
- Line on a map connecting similar points
- One who accepts
- Partner to cheese
- Ancient Greek sophist
- About hilus
- Southeast
- Where actors ply their trade
- Beloved Philly sandwich
- Intend
- Talk excessively
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- Drain
- Renews
- Monetary unit in Asia
- Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
- Carthaginian statesman
- Aged
- Mauna \_\_, Hawaiian volcano
- Firearm
- Consolation

36. An island in the north Atlantic

39. Pitching statistic

40. Disconsolate

43. A part of a river where the current is very fast

44. Call it a career

46. Behave in a way that degrades someone

47. Health insurance

49. Recommend

51. Baltic peninsula

54. Father

59. After B

60. Bar bill

61. Doctors' group

62. 2,000 lbs.

64. Equal to one quintillion bytes

Answers will be provided in next week's edition.

## SUDOKU

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Answers will be provided in next week's edition.





GEORGE SLAUGHTER

Fulshear Mayor Aaron Groff and Weston Lakes Mayor Bob Wall.

## MAYORS

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growth. Groff said new restaurants were coming.

"It's always good to see the public frequent these restaurants," Groff said. "That's part of the growth."

The growth also affects the municipal government. Fulshear's old City Hall building has been torn down, and will be replaced by two buildings that are almost finished. Groff said he and other city officials looked forward to holding an open house when those buildings open.

Wall said his city has a tax rate of zero. He said franchise fees from utilities and alcohol taxes at the local country club were the city's main sources of revenue for a municipal budget of about \$250,000.

"We encourage people to drink as much as possible," Wall said, getting a laugh from the crowd. "So, in a nutshell, that's what we're all about."

Thiele, elected to his first term earlier this year, said he didn't realize that, as mayor, he would need to become a project manager, development expert, and water well expert. Like the other communities, Thiele said Katy continues to grow.

"We're getting close to where we can't grow anymore due to extraterritorial jurisdiction," Thiele said.

The residential growth is coming north of the city, while the commercial development is coming to the west. But while Katy is growing, it is also developing. Thiele said the Katy Boardwalk Project, on the south side of Kingsland Boulevard south of the Katy Mills Mall, remains in development.

"When the hotel and conference center

and other retail stores open there, it will be quite a place for the City of Katy," Thiele said.

Thiele said mobility and drainage remain concerns.

"Mobility has always been a problem because so many people are moving in north of us," he said. Drainage will also always be an issue. It will always be the number one issue we're looking at."

Thiele said the Katy Rice Festival parade is set for Oct. 1. He said the Katy Rice Festival, set for the following weekend, expects to draw between 10 to 12,000 people to downtown Katy.

Garcia, reelected mayor earlier this year, said his community is small but is working hard to prepare for the growth as best it can.

Garcia said mobility was a key issue facing his community, and city officials have spoken with Texas Department of Transportation officials about how best to move forward. He said Pattison officials have also held informal talks with Brookshire city officials about extraterritorial jurisdiction.

Like Fulshear, Pattison is developing a new City Hall. In Pattison's case, Waller County donated the building to the city and now the city is developing plans to renovate it.

"We are what Fulshear was many years ago," Garcia said, adding when he visits other communities, he wants to see what they've done to manage their growth, and takes what lessons he could for Pattison's own growth.

"Our community is going to change," Garcia said. "The eastside will develop first, but we want to keep the central and west sides of Pattison as rustic as possible."



GEORGE SLAUGHTER

Katy ISD Superintendent Ken Gregorski talks about the district's tax ratification election, called a TRE, that is on the November general ballot. Gregorski said if voters approve the TRE, the money raised would go towards staff and faculty pay raises.

## GREGORSKI

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spent on new schools or facilities, such as stadiums, are not reallocated towards salaries. Bond issues pay for those things, he said.

"It's not a little deal," Gregorski said. "It's a huge deal."

Other districts, including Alvin, Dallas, Friendswood, Lubbock, San Antonio and Seguin, have called for such elections.

The district has created a website to share more information about the TRE. The abbreviated URL for that website is bit.ly/KISDTRE.

Also speaking at Tuesday's meeting was Shannon Dietz, who spoke of the Southeast Texas Urban Ag and Farm Safety Summit, set for Thursday and Friday at the Gerald D. Young Agriculture Sciences Center, at the same address.

## DAILY

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him by. I am very thankful for the short, but meaningful time that we were able to get to know each other."

The community center will be built thanks in part to a \$25,000 Helen Walton Grant from the Walmart Foundation to the newly formed Fulshear Katy Chamber of Commerce Foundation.

When the grant was announced in March, McCoy said the center would be a place for community gatherings, chamber activities, and classes.

Employees at Walmart, 26824 FM 1093, put in and tracked volunteer hours as part of a Walmart-chain competition for foundation grant money. The competition included completed paperwork describing how the grant money would be used.

Letisha Smith, Walmart store manager, said she received word of the award last November, just after she began working at the store. She said the store and its associates were committed to continuing the community service activities they had begun.

Smith said store associates selected the charity with which they wanted to work when the grant money arrived. McCoy said local Walmart managers spoke with chamber officials on how they might work together. From there, the idea to develop a community center came about.

The Helen Walton Grant is the largest prize of those given by the foundation. Only one is given out amidst all the grant money. Helen Walton was the wife of Sam Walton, the chain's founder.

The center will have a small park as part of the lot, which will be named Helen Park in honor of Walton.

McCoy said Daily left a mark.

"Meeting Dr. Daily, you just never forget just the way he would come in and shake your hand," McCoy said. "I felt I knew him for years the first time I met him. He's just that kind of guy. It's just amazing what this man has done with his life. He became a key person of influence not only in the community, but in the world."

Daily was preceded in death by his brother Abe Jr. and sisters Robbie Daily and Sylvia Phillips. Daily is survived by his wife, Joyce, whom he married in 1955. Also surviving Daily is their daughter, Laura, who is a journalist in Denver, and his sister, Dorothy Bemel.

A graveside service for Daily was held Friday at El Memorial Park in Houston. The family requests memorial donations be made to Fulshear-Katy Area Chamber Foundation, P.O. Box 42, Simonton, TX 77476, in support of the soon-to-be-built Dr. Harold Daily Community Center.

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## CORRECTION

The printed version of the "Infrastructure needs detailed for Royal ISD committee" (Sept. 15) misspelled Royal STEM Academy in that subheading. The Times regrets the error.

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# Dorm life: Good, bad or ugly!

So, having earned an associate's degree from our local community college, my son Gideon is now pursuing a bachelor's degree in mecha-tronic engineering from my old alma mater.

This only child who had never really spent the night away from home is cautiously adapting to dormitory life. ("Dormitory:" from the Latin for "Who needs Latin? We have panties to raid and fire extinguishers to discharge!")

So far, he and his roommate are coexisting amicably. But I have seen enough "roommate from hell" stories online to know this is not everyone's college experience. (Atheists have terrible dorm anecdotes. Who wants to hear about the "roommate from a post-death state of nonexistence?" But I digress.)

Numerous circumstances can create friction between roommates. The recurring complaint about "failure to observe boundaries" figures into one of Gideon's favorite anecdotes about my college days.

I remember following my friend John back to his dorm room. (Perhaps this was the time we failed to get into a sold-out showing of "The Rocky Horror Picture Show."). John generously offered me some potato chips. While I was munching, his roomie Ralph (a future lawyer) walked in and let it be known that he was the actual owner of the aforementioned snacks. Ralph dryly quipped, "Huh. It says right on the bag, 'Goes great with dips,' and you were drawn right to them!"

Yes, ground rules must be set—about borrowing, bedtime, thermostats, hygiene, visitors, decorations, TV/stereo volume and the like. And still there are problems. ("Were you raised in a barn??? Those pastel earbuds are throwing off the whole feng shui of the room!")

I can think of at least two freshmen who assumed it would be fun, fun, fun to room with their high school compadre, only to have things head south in a hurry. Suddenly, BFF started standing for Butthead Facing Fury.

I always took the luck of the draw when it came to roommates. I have not been in contact with any of my roomies since I graduated, but I still



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cherish my memories. Ken pulled off the lofty goal of being both a comic book nerd and a ladies' man. I remember Ken playing a Richard Pryor LP, which had the Pied Piper effect of drawing neighbors into the room one by one, until we had a full house. Of course, that's not saying much for a dorm room. You can't write home, "Dear Mom and Dad, I'm feeling claustrophobic" without opening the window or hallway door to have room to write "claustrophobic."

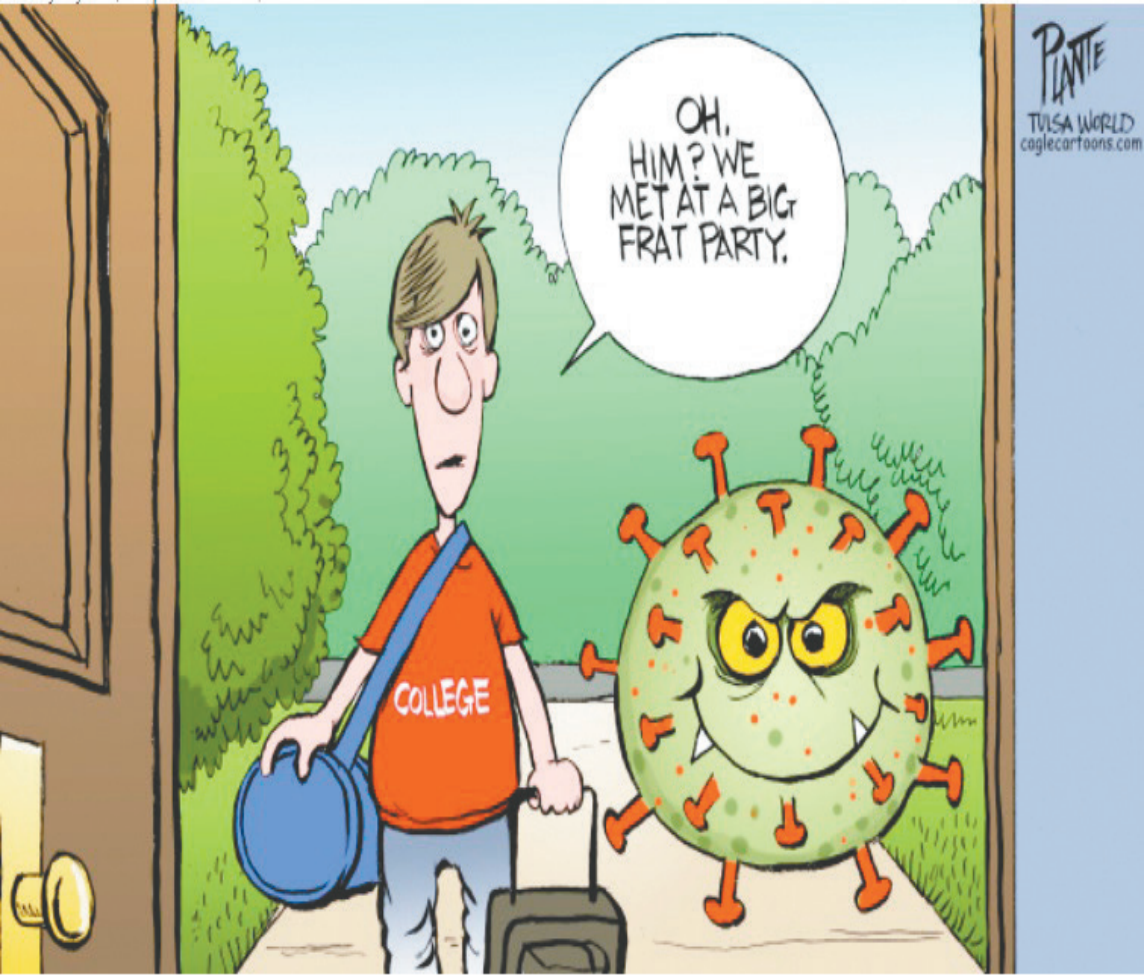
Nate was a gentle soul who had issues with my politics, my lack of rhythm and the audacity I displayed in not being born in Philadelphia. (What can I say? I won "rebellious fetus of the trimester" three times in a row.)

At least I didn't have to room with the guy who lived in my friend Jack's dorm. Jack dubbed him "Sieg Heil!" because he could often be seen alone in his room doing a sort of goose-stepping dance to loud polka music. I suspect Sieg! was next to worthless in late-night study sessions. ("I know nothing! I see nothing! I hear nothing!")

I hope Gideon continues to enjoy dorm life, earns his degree and lands a respectable job. I hope he finds plentiful chips for his electronic projects.

And that Ralph doesn't show up with a cease-and-desist order. \*Sigh\*

*Danny Tyree welcomes email responses at tyreetrades@aol.com and visits to his Facebook fan page "Tyree's Tyrades."*



# Thank you for being mannerly

"No problem." That is how I used to reply to people who thanked me for holding the door open for them or for offering some other small gesture.

I don't know where I got into the habit of saying this to people, but I do not say it anymore.

My mannerly response of choice now is the one my mother taught me over and over again as a child: "You're welcome."

You may see no difference between the modern, slangy reply "no problem" and "you're welcome," but there is one, slight though it may be.

So why not make the change back to the traditional response?

After all, any time you are more polite to your fellow human beings you spread the desire for them to be more polite to others.

Politeness is infectious—almost as infectious as rudeness is.

Consider: If someone cuts you off in traffic, then gives you a very rude gesture with his middle finger, are you not filled with instant anger and aggression?

Are you then more likely to be rude to some other stranger?

"Incivility is a virus," says Christine Porath, a Georgetown professor and author of "Mastering Civility: A Manifesto for the Workplace."

She explains to NBC News that rude reactions tend to create more rude behavior, creating a big negative spiral and a negative



**Politeness is infectious — almost as infectious as rudeness is.**

culture.

Being mannerly is especially important now. We live in a time of increasing rudeness—thanks in no small part to the way we treat each other on social media.

Social media has resulted in more group-think—whereby we are certain that we and our friends are 100% correct about any particular issue and those with whom we disagree are not only wrong but are stupid and evil.

Group-think has given us license to lash out at others without restraint.

Thirty years ago if you said some of the things to a stranger that some people say all the time to others on Facebook, you'd likely get punched in the face.

But the days in which there were consequences for such rudeness are long over.

Psychology Today says there is one key reason why people are so much ruder today: a lack of eye

contact. We behave differently hiding behind a fictitious online name when we do not have to make face-to-face contact with whomever we are verbally criticizing or attacking. One solution: let's be more mindful of being mannerly—online and off. As a kid, I had it drummed into my head to say "please" and "thank you."

Now, when I phone the electric company or a client, I always ask, "How are you today?"

It throws people off. Most of the time, they reply, "I'm great. How are you?"

And off we go, with a touch of civility established, to tend to our business.

I have to work hard at being polite—particularly in traffic—because I do have a temper and I do respond with aggression if someone gives me the middle-finger gesture after cutting me off.

A better way to respond, my wise mother keeps telling me, is to smile and wave—gestures that suggest "my bad" even though I did nothing wrong.

Truth be told, I've only managed to do this once. But boy, does it instantly confuse and disarm rude people.

Polite behavior always does. Tom Purcell, creator of the infotainment site *ThurbersTail.com*, is a Pittsburgh Tribune-Review humor columnist. Email him at [Tom@TomPurcell.com](mailto:Tom@TomPurcell.com).

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## TRIBUTE

Kathryn Elizabeth Burdette, 78, passed from this life on September 12, 2022, peacefully in her home.

Kathy was born on November 21, 1943, in Pueblo, CO, to Floyd and Evelyn Cowan. She was born into a baseball loving family and spent much of her childhood at the baseball field. Her grandfather managed the Pueblo Dodgers, the farm team for the Brooklyn Dodgers. While her family worked selling tickets and concessions, Kathy enjoyed sitting in the stands or playing nearby with her many dolls (all of which were named "Anna").

Kathy graduated from East High School in Pueblo, CO, and soon after met the love of her life, William, at the movie theater where they both worked. She married William Henry Burdette on October 19, 1962. Kathy followed him from Pueblo to Washington, D.C., and eventually to Leavenworth, KS, where they lived for 32 years.

Kathy had a passion for teaching children in Bible class and for needlework. Her house and the houses of those she loved were often decorated with her needle-based art. She loved her family and friends fiercely and blessed them with handmade gifts frequently.

She was an outgoing and welcoming soul who went out of her way to make others feel included. Living near a military base, Kathy always had a table full of soldiers who were not able to be with their families during the holidays.

Kathy is survived by her husband of nearly 60 years, William Henry Burdette, her son and daughter-in-law Bill and April Burdette, and her three grandchildren: Zachary, Emily, and Laura Burdette.

She is preceded in death by her parents Evelyn and Floyd Cowan, her brother Milton Cowan, and her niece Tracy Cowan.

Services for Kathryn Burdette will be held at 11:00 a.m. on September 24th at the Katy Church of Christ, with burial to follow in Colorado at a later date.

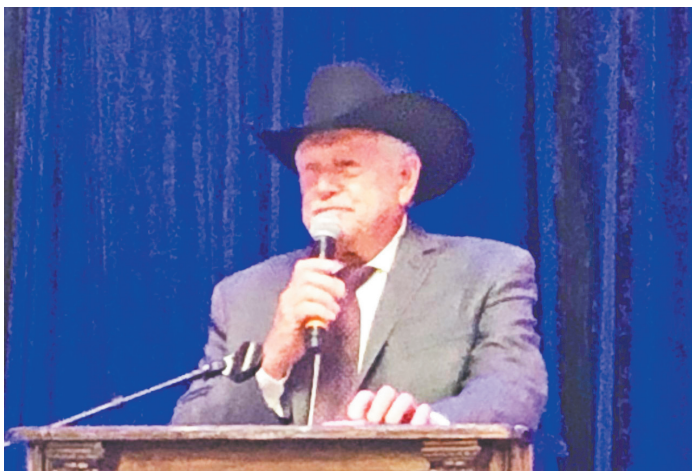
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- Cinco Ranch 42, Tompkins 14
- Katy 41, Morton Ranch 20
- Taylor 35, Cinco Ranch 28

#### Thursday

- Cinco Ranch vs. Morton Ranch, 6 p.m. at Legacy Stadium
- Katy vs. Mayde Creek, 7 p.m. at Rhodes Stadium

#### Friday

- Seven Lakes vs. Taylor, 6 p.m. at Legacy Stadium
- Paetow vs. Jordan, 7 p.m. at Rhodes Stadium

### VOLLEYBALL

#### Thursday

- Cinco Ranch vs. Seven Lakes, 5:30 p.m.
- Jordan vs. Morton Ranch, 5:30 p.m.
- Katy vs. Taylor, 4:30 p.m.
- Paetow vs. Tompkins, 5:30 p.m.

#### Tuesday

- Cinco Ranch vs. Taylor, 5:30 p.m.
- Jordan vs. Mayde Creek, 5:30 p.m.
- Katy vs. Tompkins, 5:30 p.m.
- Paetow vs. Morton Ranch, 5:30 p.m.

### TENNIS

#### Thursday

- Tompkins vs. Lamar, 2:45 p.m.

#### Friday

- Cinco Ranch at Dobie, 3 p.m.
- Paetow vs. Elsik, 2:30 p.m.
- Seven Lakes vs. College Park, 3 p.m.
- Jordan at Lake Creek, 3:30 p.m.
- Tompkins at Clear Springs, 2 p.m.

#### Tuesday

- Mayde Creek vs. Tompkins, 2 p.m.
- Paetow vs. Seven Lakes, 3 p.m.
- Katy vs. Cinco Ranch, 3 p.m.
- Jordan vs. Taylor, 3:30 p.m.

### CROSS COUNTRY

#### Thursday

- Morton Ranch at Dobie meet, 7:30 a.m.

#### Saturday

- Cinco Ranch at Sealy meet, 7 a.m.
- Jordan and Taylor at Kempner meet, 7:30 a.m.
- Katy at McNeil invite, 8 a.m.



Cinco Ranch's Noah Abboud takes a catch for a touchdown during Friday's game between Cinco Ranch and Tompkins at Rhodes Stadium.

JUSTIN HARTOJO | SPECIAL TO THE KATY TIMES

## Cinco Ranch takes down Tompkins in important district matchup

BY TYLER TYRE  
SPORTS EDITOR

Cinco Ranch is making a name for itself. The Cougars earned respect last year, making it back to the playoffs and advancing to the regional semifinals in Class 6A-Division II, but this year's group has even bigger goals.

The Cougars this year are determined to blow past any doubter in their way and compete with the best teams in District 19-6A

and beyond.

The first step towards doing that came on Friday, as the Cougars (3-1, 2-0) faced their toughest test of the season so far in Tompkins (2-2, 0-2), and the Cougars answered any critics in emphatic fashion, topping the Falcons 42-14 in a game where the entire Cinco Ranch team made their presence felt on the field.

"We came in this week and we knew how important this was," said senior linebacker Braden Williams. "We set that bar high and

we came out and did what we needed to. Now we have to keep that bar as high as it was this week and keep improving and pushing ourselves. This is the type of game we need to play."

For Cinco, it was the most complete game the team has played all year, with the offense clicking on all cylinders in the pass and run game and the special team doing its job.

But the most impressive performance of

See **CINCO**, page B5



KELLY RICHMAN | SPECIAL TO THE KATY TIMES

Paetow's Derrick Johnson evades a defender during Friday's game against Conroe at Legacy Stadium.

## Paetow tops Mayde Creek

### Panthers move to 2-0 in district play

BY TYLER TYRE  
SPORTS EDITOR

Paetow started the year with some growing pains.

With a new coach, a new system on both sides of the ball and adjusting to the introduction of some new teammates in the jump to Class 6A, the Panthers needed time to adapt and get themselves ready for district play.

Two weeks into District 19-6A play it's safe to say that the

Panthers have done more than adapted — they have found a way to thrive and make a name for themselves as they navigate the Katy ISD district schedule for the first time.

The latest evidence of the Panthers' (3-1, 2-0) rise was

See **PAETOW**, page B3

## Taylor overcomes 21- point deficit to beat Seven Lakes

BY TYLER TYRE  
SPORTS EDITOR

Taylor knows how close they are to being able to compete with anyone at the District 19-6A level.

The Mustangs are a young team, but they have experience and talent and for the team, it's all about combining those two things and turning it into wins.

Taylor had showed that in spurts this year, but it hasn't always turned into wins. But the Mustangs may have had a breakthrough on Saturday night at Legacy Stadium.

Taylor (2-2, 1-1) overcame a 21-point deficit to come out 35-28 winners over Seven Lakes (0-3, 0-1), securing the Mustangs their first District 19-6A win of the year.

"We knew the entire time that we could win this game, even when we were down three scores," said senior quarterback Joe Jefferson. "We had the same mindset the whole time, it never changed. We knew we had to fight and overcome whatever was in front of us. We knew it was going to be a battle — when we went down 21, we just said, 'OK, we're going to overcome this — let's go.'"

Jefferson is no stranger to over-

coming adversity, and the win was especially sweet for him.

Last year in Taylor's first district game, Jefferson went down to a leg injury that sidelined him for months. The quarterback had to watch from the sidelines the rest of the way, but he committed to coming back even stronger.

Jefferson has been a huge presence for Taylor this year, and he along with the rest of the team did not want to wait any longer for their first district win of the year.

"It feels awesome," Jefferson said. "It's just amazing to be here and get this win, but this isn't about me and we aren't done yet. This is the first of many and that's what I and the other guys have to stress to the team. We're like that, we are a good football team and we're going to keep winning. That's the mindset we have to have."

Seven Lakes started the game with a punt and then made a stop on a Taylor fourth down as the Mustangs were driving near the red zone. The Spartans then struck first on their next drive as Tanner Perez threw a screen pass to Marcel Davis, who took it 71-yards for a touchdown.

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WEEK 5 KATY ISD PREVIEWS

Cinco, Katy, Paetow look to build off wins

BY TYLER TYRE
SPORTS EDITOR

\*All Games District 19-6A
THURSDAY
Morton Ranch (2-2, 0-2) vs.
Cinco Ranch (3-1, 2-0), 6 p.m.,
Legacy Stadium

Last year: Cinco Ranch 55,
Morton Ranch 16
Cinco Ranch comes off a huge
win where the Cougars looked like
one of the top teams in the state.
It may be an overreaction, but
everything was working for Cinco
last week against the formerly No.
11 ranked Tompkins Falcons. The
offense hummed all night, the de-
fense put together three fantastic
quarters and the special teams was
solid in an all-around game from
the Cougars.
Gavin Rutherford led the way
once again for Cinco as the senior
quarterback threw for 286 yards
and three touchdowns, and the
Cinco run game offered balance
for the team with 189 yards.
The win puts Cinco firmly in
the driver's seat for a playoff spot
and cements their spot as a district
contender and they will look to
build on that against Morton
Ranch.

The Mavericks were dealt a
hard hand at the start of district
and come off a tough 41-20 loss to
Katy last week in which the Mav-
ericks fought hard for four quarters
and had the lead in the second
half but were unable to come away
with a win.
Josh Johnson did everything
he could to help the Mavericks
along the way, completing 11 of
23 passes for 140 yards and also
rushing for 116 yards and two
scores, as Morton Ranch rushed
for 233 yards in total. But the Mor-
ton Ranch defense was not able to
keep the Mavericks in it, 162 yards
through the air and 274 yards on
the ground to the Katy offense.
Morton Ranch will come into
this matchup motivated after com-
peting well against two district foes
but taking losses in both games,
but Cinco will be just as motivated
to stay unbeaten in district and
continue the hot streak that the
Cougars are on.

Katy (4-0, 2-0) vs. Mayde
Creek (2-2, 0-2), 7 p.m., Legacy
Stadium

Last year: Katy 65, Mayde Creek 7
Katy struggled last week un-
characteristically. The Tigers had
problems with penalties, turning
the ball over and struggled with
a strong running quarterback for
Morton Ranch.
Katy trailed in the third quarter
to the Mavericks, but put together
a huge second half to pull away
with the win.
Caleb Koger had as efficient of
a day as you can have at quar-
terback and was huge for the Tigers,
completing 11 of 13 passes for 162
yards and four touchdowns, but
also throwing an interception.
The Tigers combined that with
an always strong run game. Seth
Davis had 12 carries for 164 yards
and a touchdown while Dallas
Glass had seven carries for 53
yards and a score, as the Tigers
had 274 yards on the ground in
total. Luke Carter was a big red
zone threat for Katy, as both of
his catches went for touchdowns,
while Romarian Tillman had 73
yards receiving.
But the Tigers defense strug-



Cinco Ranch's Eric Eckstrom breaks outside
for extra yardage Cinco Ranch's during
Friday's game between Cinco Ranch and
Tompkins at Rhodes Stadium.



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Cinco Ranch's Fischer Reed hurdles over a teammate and fights for extra yardage during Friday's
game between Cinco Ranch and Tompkins at Rhodes Stadium.

gled, especially in the first half,
giving up 140 yards through the
air and 233 yards on the ground as
they struggled to contain a Morton
Ranch offense that had multiple
options in the run game.
But the good news for the
Tigers is they face a team that has
mightily struggled in its first two
district games in Mayde Creek.
The Rams will be motivated to
come out and prove themselves
but have struggled to stop teams in
their first two district games.
The Rams have given up 42
points in each of their first two
district games and it looks to be
an even tougher task this week as
they will face an angry Katy team

that will be out to show how strong
they are.
Mayde Creek gave up 191 yards
in the air and 138 yards on the
ground to Paetow as the Panthers'
offense was able to do whatever it
wanted in the win.
And the Rams struggled of-
fensively as well, throwing three
interceptions, including one that
was returned for a touchdown and
losing a fumble, as they were never
able to get anything going in the
game.
It's setting up to be another
tough matchup for Mayde Creek,
as the Tigers look to stay in the
ranks of the unbeaten, and the
Tigers will need to show that they

have cleaned up some of their
struggles from the past two weeks.

FRIDAY
Tompkins (2-2, 0-2) vs. Seven
Lakes (0-3, 0-1), 6 p.m., Legacy
Stadium

Last year: Tompkins 44,
Seven Lakes 0
Tompkins suffered the most
shocking result last week, as the
Falcons were unable to compete
with Cinco Ranch in a huge loss to
the Cougars.
It was a rough game for the
Falcons, made even rougher by in-
juries to key players and a struggle
to move the ball through the air
offensively while also struggling
defensively to compete with the
strong pass game of Cinco Ranch.
Tompkins gave up 286 yards
and three touchdowns in the air
while also giving up 189 yards and
three touchdowns on the ground
in the loss, as they could not figure
out Cinco Ranch defensively.
One positive came in the form of
the run game for Tompkins, as
the Falcons gained 240 yards on
the ground, with Caleb Blocker
rushing for 180 yards and Caleb
Komolafe rushing for 42 yards
and averaging over 10 yards per
carry, but the Tompkins pass game
couldn't manage to get it going
once they fell behind, as they man-
aged just 16 yards through the air
for the entire game.
Seven Lakes meanwhile, comes
off a game in which they held a
21-point lead but ended up losing
to Taylor, as the Spartans gave
up 35 unanswered points before
answering back.
The Spartans had no answer for
the Taylor run game in the second
half of the matchup and overall
they gave up 263 yards on the
ground while also giving up 208
yards through the air in the loss.
The Spartans meanwhile, were
unable to have their normal suc-
cess on the ground. Seven Lakes
is a team that wants to pound the

ball, but were only able to man-
age 92 yards on 28 carries on the
night. But they did show success
in the pass game, as Tanner Perez
went 11-21 for 265 yards and three
touchdowns in the loss.

The loss put Seven Lakes at 0-3
on the year and the Spartans will
no doubt be angry in search of
their first win, but the bad new is
that they have to take on a Tomp-
kins team that will be just as angry
and committed after losing two
straight and wanting to get back
in the playoff hunt and show the
talent that they have.

Jordan (2-1, 1-0) vs. Paetow
(3-1, 2-0), 7 p.m., Rhodes
Stadium

Paetow seemed to settle in
and take a step forward in the past
two weeks. After narrowly beating
Morton Ranch in week three, the
Panthers came back with a huge win
over Mayde Creek to cement them-
selves in the playoff race through the
first two weeks of district.
The Panthers' pass game came
alive in the win, as Koby Truehill
went 11-16 for 138 yards without
an interception, while Derrick
Johnson was a good presence
in the run game to keep things
balanced.
The Paetow defense stepped
up as well, forcing four turnovers
and returning an interception for
a touchdown, and holding the
Mayde Creek offense to under 200
yards of total offense, bringing the
Panthers to 2-0 on in district play.
Jordan meanwhile, comes off
a bye week, but looked terrific in
its last game, which also came
against Mayde Creek. Jordan was
able to dominate in the air and the
defense was strong in the win. The
Warriors will need to continue that
this week and use their pass game
if they are wanting to compete with
Paetow and stay perfect in district,
while Paetow will need to have a
strong defensive performance to
keep Jordan at bay and earn the
team's third district win.

DISTRICT 19-6A STANDINGS

| Team            | W | L | District W | District L | District PF | District PA |
|-----------------|---|---|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1* Katy         | 4 | 0 | 2          | 0          | 55          | 33          |
| 1* Cinco Ranch  | 3 | 1 | 2          | 0          | 91          | 42          |
| 1* Paetow       | 3 | 1 | 2          | 0          | 76          | 46          |
| 4 Jordan        | 2 | 1 | 1          | 0          | 42          | 15          |
| 5 Taylor        | 2 | 2 | 1          | 1          | 63          | 77          |
| 6 Seven Lakes   | 0 | 3 | 0          | 1          | 28          | 35          |
| 7* Tompkins     | 2 | 2 | 0          | 2          | 27          | 56          |
| 7* Morton Ranch | 2 | 2 | 0          | 2          | 49          | 75          |
| 7* Mayde Creek  | 2 | 2 | 0          | 2          | 32          | 84          |



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PAETOW 42, MAYDE CREEK 17

Mayde Creek

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Paetow

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First quarter

P: Koby Truehill 4 pass to Justin Stevenson (Gabriel Schaeffer kick) 7:43  
MC: Tay/Shawn Wilson 63 punt return (Jacob Campos kick) 4:14

Second quarter

P: Derrick Johnson 41 run (Schaeffer kick) 11:12  
P: Jamarious Bates 35 run (Schaeffer kick) 9:37  
P: Daymion Sanford 80 interception return (Schaeffer kick) 4:37  
P: Truehill 43 pass to Johnson (Schaeffer kick) 2:06

Third quarter

MC: Jacob Campos 39 field goal, 10:55  
P: Truehill 2 pass to Carmelo Wilson (Schaeffer kick) 1:53

Fourth quarter

MC: Reggie McNeal Jr. 24 pass to Zaylen Cormier (Campos kick) 5:41

Team stats

|               | MAYDE CREEK | PAETOW      |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| First downs   | 7           | 12          |
| Yards rushing | 15-39       | 34-191      |
| Yards passing | 116         | 138         |
| Passes        | 16-40-1-3   | 11-16-3-3-0 |
| Punts         | 5-34        | 6-38        |
| Fumbles-lost  | 1-1         | 1-1         |
| Penalty-yards | 6-28        | 9-105       |

Individual Statistics

Rushing – Paetow: Jamarious Bates, 7-70-1; Derrick Johnson: 8-57-1; Derrick Johnson 8-57; Koby Truehill, 7-31; Gene Kendall, 1-10; Jamaal Comminie, 2-1; Brock Nichols, 1-(-4) Mayde Creek: Reggie McNeal Jr., 7-39; Kaleb Molina, 5-15; Alex Kilgore, 1-6; Deon Igbalajobi, 2-5; Jeremiah Hill, 2-4; Tavious Mitchell, 3-0; Carldeell Beard 2-(-1) Eric Nelson, 1-(-3);

Passing – Paetow: Koby Truehill, 11-16-138-3-0; Mayde Creek: Carldeell Beard, 12-29-60-0-1; Reggie McNeal Jr., 4-11-56-1-2

Receiving – Paetow: Van Keith Brown, 3-55; Derrick Johnson, 4-53-1; Jason Blue, 2-24; Justin Stevenson, 1-4-1; Carmelo Wilson, 1-2-1; Mayde Creek: Beau Bankson, 4-61; Zaylen Cormier, 3-37-1; Eric Nelson, 5-9; Trey Williams, III 1-5; Jeremiah Hill, 2-4;

Thursday night, as Paetow stayed perfect in district with a 42-17 win over Mayde Creek (2-2, 0-2), putting Paetow in a good spot in the playoff race early in the district schedule.

“We knew heading into district that we needed to have a good start and we’ve done exactly what we needed to,” said Paetow quarterback Koby Truehill, “There’s a lot of good teams in this district so and we know that you can get beat any time you step out on that field. You have to have an ‘Any given Sunday’ type of mentality, so I’m glad we have started the way we have.”

The turning point for Paetow came in the team’s second week of the season. After struggling against Conroe in their season opener, Paetow was beaten by Cy-Ranch 22-7 in the final week of non-district, giving the Panthers a lesson heading into district play.

Paetow took that loss to heart and has continued to improve in all three phases the past two weeks, leading to two straight wins.

“Everyone knew after that loss what it was,” said senior linebacker Alex Kilgore. “We knew we had to play together and not play as individuals. There’s no time for playing me ball — we have to play together. Once we’ve done that, it’s gotten a lot better and we’re just going to keep improving.”

Paetow played aggressively from the start, recovering an onside kick on the opening kickoff of the game and the offense capitalized of that, as Paetow scored on a 4-yard pass from Truehill to Justin Stevenson.

**"You have to have an ‘Any given Sunday’ type of mentality, so I’m glad we have started the way we have.”**

—Koby Truehill, Paetow quarterback

Mayde Creek answered back though — after trading 3-and-outs with Paetow, Tay/Shawn Wilson took a punt and returned it 63-yards for a score to make it 7-7.

Paetow’s offense took until the second quarter to heat up, but when it did, the Panthers scored in bunches. Derrick Johnson got Paetow back ahead on a 41-yard touchdown run and after another successful onside recovery, Jamarious Bates ran in his own score on a 45-yard run.

Then, the Paetow defense got involved, Kilgore had already forced one turnover in the first quarter, but Daymian Sanford stole the show, as he returned an interception 80-yards for another touchdown halfway through the second quarter. And Truehill capped the quarter off with a 43-yard touchdown pass to Johnson, making things 35-7 Panthers heading

into the half.

“The main thing we talked about this week was needing to play well in all three phases,” said Paetow head coach Lonnie Teagle. “We played well on offense in some games, we played well on defense in some games, but we needed to play well in all three phases. That was the of the biggest things we talked about in our meeting on Monday heading into this week. That’s the number one thing we want to do is play well in all three phases at the same time and we took a step in the right direction tonight.”

The Rams answered with a field goal to start the second half, but it was Truehill again who responded, throwing a two-yard touchdown pass to Carmelo Wilson, and Mayde Creek’s last score was not enough, as they got a 24-yard touchdown from Reggie McNeal Jr. to Zaylen Cormier

midway through the fourth quarter.

“He’s just getting better and more confident each week,” Teagle said. “This game is hard and it’s not easy to play quarterback, especially not having experience and having to step in, but he’s learning as we go. He’s got a lot of talent and he’s just going to continue to get better.”

Paetow’s schedule only gets tougher from here — they take on Jordan (2-1, 1-0) in week five and then after a bye week take on teams that made the playoffs last year in two straight games in Katy and Cinco Ranch.

But Paetow isn’t about to let that get in the way of competing for a playoff berth, and the Panthers know they have to keep improving.

“We really all played together today and that’s what we continue to have to do,” Kilgore said. “Be one heart-beat and play together and feed off each other. The offense made the defense play better today and the defense made the offense play better. We just have to continue to get better week by week and not be satisfied.”

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.658300 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of City of Brookshire, Texas.

|                         |                                |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| PROPOSED TAX RATE       | \$0.658300 per \$100 valuation |
| NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE | \$0.516350 per \$100 valuation |
| VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE | \$0.658300 per \$100 valuation |

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2022 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for City of Brookshire from the same properties in both the 2020 tax year and the 2021 tax year.

The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that City of Brookshire may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that City of Brookshire is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2022-2023 tax year.

A public hearing on the proposed tax rate will be held on September 29, 2022 at 7:00PM at City of Brookshire City Hall, 4029 5th Street, Brookshire, Texas 77423.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, the City of Brookshire is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the City Council of the City of Brookshire at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE TAX RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

property tax amount = ( tax rate ) x ( taxable value of your property ) / 100

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| In Favor:   | Kim Branch, Monique Taylor, Amanda Neuendorf, Jeremiah Hill |
| Against:    | None  |
| Absent:     | Lyndon Stamps   |
| Not Voting: | Darrell Branch  |

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state. The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by City of Brookshire last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by City of Brookshire this year:

|                                     | 2021        | 2022          | Change                           |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| Total Tax Rate (per \$100 of value) | \$0.64000   | \$0.65830     | increase of \$0.01830 OR 2.875%  |
| Average homestead taxable value     | \$135,355   | \$143,476     | increase of 6%                   |
| Tax on average homestead            | \$866.27    | \$944.50      | increase of \$78.23 OR 9.1%      |
| Total tax levy on all properties    | \$2,975,671 | \$4036,596.33 | increase of \$1,085,990 OR 35.6% |

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for the City of Brookshire at City of Brookshire Offices 281-375-5050, email: Charrison@brookshirecity.org, or visit www.brookshiretexas.org for more information.

WATER DISTRICT  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
ON TAX RATE

The WEST HARRIS COUNTY M.U.D. #17 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2022 on October 10, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at 10000 Memorial Drive, Suite 260, Houston, TX 77024. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the tax rate that is adopted and on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.

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|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| FOR the proposal:       | Sharlene Rhea, TJ Covino, Bryant Gaudette and Ronald Perkins |
| AGAINST the proposal:   | None   |
| PRESENT and not voting: | None   |
| ABSENT:                 | None   |

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

|   | Last Year               | This Year                |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)   | \$ .96500/\$100 Adopted | \$ .86000/\$100 Proposed |
| Difference in rates per \$100 of value  |                         | \$ - .10500/\$100        |
| Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)   |                         | -10.88%                  |
| Average appraised residence homestead value   | \$ 178,132              | \$ 197,898               |
| General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person’s exemptions) | \$ 0                    | \$ 0                     |
| Average residence homestead taxable value   | \$ 178,132              | \$ 197,898               |
| Tax on average residence homestead  | \$ 1,718.97             | \$ 1,701.92              |
| Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)    | \$ -17.05               | -.99%                    |

NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS’ RIGHT TO ELECTION TO REDUCE TAX RATE

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance, and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than eight percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the voter-approval tax rate under Section 49.23603, Water Code.

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Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors, at a regular meeting held on August 25, 2022, outside the boundaries of the District, established an official office at the offices of Quiddity Engineering, LLC, 6330 West Loop South, Suite 150, Bellaire, Texas 77401 for the purposes of receiving bids on certain public works projects, administering construction contracts for such projects, receiving correspondence related to such contracts, and for the storage of the plans and specifications of such projects. Said official office hereby declared to be a public place and open to the public.

/s/ Carolyn Davis  
Secretary, Board of Directors

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CITY OF BROOKSHIRE  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
PROPOSED BUDGET – FISCAL  
YEAR 2022-23

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Brookshire, Texas will hold a Public Hearing on September 28, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. at Brookshire City Hall, located at 4029 5th Street, Brookshire, Texas 77423.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider the City's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and to allow members of the public to attend and participate in the meeting.

**This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by approximately one million eighty-five thousand nine hundred ninety dollars or thirty-seven percent [\$1,085,990 | 37%], and of that amount approximately two hundred seventy-one thousand eight hundred seventy-four dollars [\$271,874] is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year.**

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals addressed to the **City of Katy** will be received at the City of Katy City Hall, 901 Avenue C, Katy, Texas 77493, attention Becky L. McGrew, City Secretary; for furnishing all necessary materials, equipment, superintendence, and labor for the construction of the **Water Tank Rehabilitation at Water Plant Number 6** project, **until 2:00 pm Thursday October 13, 2022**. Bids will, immediately thereafter, be publicly opened and read aloud in the City of Katy Council Chambers. Any bids received after closing time will be returned unopened.

The project involves the rehabilitation of an existing 1 million gallon ground storage tank and the rehabilitation of an existing 0.5 million gallon elevated water tank, including recoating and various mechanical repairs. The project also includes all labor, equipment, materials, and incidentals required for the project.

Each proposal shall be accompanied by a bid guarantee of not less than 5% of total bid amount, as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute the required bonds within ten days after notice of award. At the option of the bidder, the guarantee may be one of the following:

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Bids without such guarantee will not be considered.

Award of this contract will be made on the basis of the lowest responsive responsible bid and references. The right is reserved as the interest of the Owner may require, to reject any or all bids, and to waive any informality in bids received. The successful bidder must furnish Performance Bond and Payment Bond on the forms provided in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total contract price from a Surety acceptable to the Owner. Owner reserves the right to award the contract at any time within ninety (90) days after bid opening.

A Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the City of Katy City Hall, 901 Avenue C, Katy, Texas 77493 to review the scope of work. The Pre-Bid Conference will be held on **Thursday, September 29, 2022 at 3:00 pm**.

PUBLIC NOTICE

DAVID W. REININGER, MD. is no longer affiliated with Katy Internal Medicine Associates, LLP (KIMA)  
1331 W. Grand Parkway North, Suite 230  
Katy Texas 77493; and he is no longer seeing patients in the office.

His new mailing address is:  
David W. Reininger, M.D., P.A.  
24285 Katy Freeway, Suite 300  
Katy, TX 77494

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
September 28, 2022, 9:00 A.M.  
COMMISSIONERS' COURTROOM,  
WALLER COUNTY COURTHOUSE

The Waller County Commissioners' Court will conduct a Public Hearing under the authority of Transportation Code Chapter 251, Subchapter E to consider the establishment of load limits and the installation of load limit signs at the following location:

Twinwood Parkway-Tandem Axle Load – 28,900 (lbs)

All interested persons are encouraged to attend and participate in the Public Hearing.

September 15 Puzzle Answers

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INVITATION TO BIDDERS

Sealed Bids addressed to Willow Fork Drainage District, Attention: President, Board of Directors, will be received until 10:00 a.m., Local Time, Thursday, October 6, 2022, and then publicly opened and read at the office of the Engineer, LJA Engineering, Inc., 1904 West Grand Parkway North, Suite 120, Katy, Texas 77449 for "Construction of the Stormwater Quality Park Hurricane Harvey Recovery for Willow Fork Drainage District, Fort Bend County, Texas". In addition to the opening of sealed Bids at the address above, you may attend the Bid Opening by telephone, by dialing +1 346-202-6170, Phone Conference ID: 481 924 923#.

Scope of Work of the Contract includes the following: Remove existing gabion structure and articulated concrete block and restore channel bottom and slopes within the project area.

Bids received after the closing time will be returned unopened. A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on Thursday, September 29, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. Local Time, at the office of the Engineer, LJA Engineering, Inc., 1904 West Grand Parkway North, Suite 120, Katy, Texas 77449. To attend the audio format non-mandatory pre-bid conference, dial +1 346-202-6170, Phone Conference ID: 448 466 931#.

Each Bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond or a certified or cashier's check, acceptable to the Owner, in an amount not less than two percent (2%) of the total amount Bid, as a guarantee that the successful bidder will enter into the Contract and execute the Bonds on the forms provided, and provide the required insurance certificates within seven (7) days after the date Contract Documents are received by the Contractor. If a certified or cashier's check is provided, the successful bidder shall deliver, at the bid opening address, the original certified or cashier's check within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of the bid opening.

Bidding documents may be examined at LJA Engineering, Inc., 1904 West Grand Parkway North, Suite 120, Katy, Texas 77449 or may be obtained by prospective bidders or suppliers at <https://www.civcastusa.com>.

A Bidder submitting electronic Bids must submit its Bid and bid securities in compliance with Owner's Order Adopting Section 49.2731 Electronic Bidding Rules and all electronic Bids and bid securities must be submitted through <https://bids.lja.com>. Bidders must register and obtain bidding documents on this website for the required payment amount (if any) to submit an electronic bid.

By submitting a Bid, Bidder acknowledges and agrees that the Contract Documents may be accepted, executed or agreed to through the use of an Electronic Signature, as defined by and in accordance with Owner's Electronic Signature Rules for Construction Contracts.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids and to waive all defects and irregularities in bidding or bidding process except time of submitting a Bid. The Successful Bidder, if any, will be the responsible Bidder which in the Board's judgment will be most advantageous to the District and result in the best and most economical completion of the Project.

**The requirements of Subchapter J, Chapter 552, Government Code, may apply to this Bid and/or Contract and the Contractor agrees that the Contract can be terminated if the Contractor knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with a requirement of that subchapter.**

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CINCO

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the day went to the Cougars' defense. After giving up two first quarter touchdowns, the Cinco defense adjusted and dominated for the rest of the night, not allowing another touchdown and forcing Tompkins to punt on five straight possessions to close the game.

"We made those adjustments and the kids really locked in to what we were telling them to do," said Cinco Ranch head coach Chris Dudley. "The guys really went out, played within themselves and understood the scheme. We knew we had to stop (Caleb) Blocker and force them to throw it and the confidence really just built from the end of the first half and into the second half. We strung together a bunch of three and outs and when you do that as a defense it's huge. I'm really proud of our defense and how they responded."

Tompkins got the opening kickoff and went straight down and scored, with Caleb Komolafe running in a 21-yard touchdown early in the first quarter. Cinco Ranch responded with a 14-play, 75-yard drive in which Eric Eckstrom tied things on a 2-yard touchdown run, but Tompkins came right back as Caleb Blocker took the Falcons the length of the field on three runs before scoring an a 31-yard dash to the endzone.

From there though, the Cougars took things to a different level.

Cinco went on a long drive that culminated in a 2-yard touchdown run from Sam McKnight before Gavin Rutherford gave Cinco the lead with just ten seconds left in the second quarter on a 12-yard pass to Fischer Reed.

Both touchdowns were set up by fourth down conversions, which the Cougars pride themselves on and which the coaching staff trusts the players in completely.

"We got the ball back with just under two minutes left for our offense and we knew that was the perfect amount of time for us to go score and get the ball back to start the second half," Dudley said. "They didn't blink, they went out and executed, that was huge because we got the ball to start the second half. Getting those two for one opportunities is such a huge thing and our defense just allowed us to keep it rolling."

McKnight added to the Cinco lead early in the third with a 4-yard touchdown run before Rutherford all but put things away later in the quarter with a 28-yard touchdown pass to Seth Salverino. Rutherford capped



Cinco Ranch's Fischer Reed catches a touchdown during Friday's game between Cinco Ranch and Tompkins at Rhodes Stadium.

things off in the fourth quarter with a final 8-yard touchdown to Noah Abboud.

Rutherford was once again dominant on the night, going 22-30 for 286 yards and three touchdowns, and McKnight provided balance with the run game, carrying it 15 ties for 99 yards and two scores.

"It's a team effort — everyone is in this together and no one on this team can do it by themselves," Rutherford said. "It all starts with the offensive line too — they played their butts off today and I'm so grateful for them to do that. Every time I was back there I had so much protection and then all of the

weapons we have just makes it even easier to go out and execute. I'm just so glad to be a part of this team."

The win puts Cinco at 2-0 in district play as they march through the season. Now, it's about how the Cougars can continue to improve and make the most of every week going forward.

"We know that this isn't the end goal," McKnight said. "We're going to enjoy this tonight but be back working hard early tomorrow in practice. We're going to keep pushing and try to come back and do it over and over again."

CINCO RANCH 42,  
TOMPKINS 14

|             |    |    |    |   |    |    |
|-------------|----|----|----|---|----|----|
| Tompkins    | 14 | 0  | 0  | 0 | -- | 14 |
| Cinco Ranch | 7  | 14 | 14 | 7 | -- | 42 |

First quarter

T: Caleb Komolafe 21 run (Andrew Horner kick) 9:02  
CR: Eric Eckstrom 2 run (Santiago Taborda kick) 3:00  
T: Caleb Blocker 31 run (Horner kick) 1:08

Second quarter

CR: Sam McKnight 10 run (Taborda kick) 1:08  
CR: Gavin Rutherford 12 pass to Fischer Reed (Taborda kick) 0:10

Third quarter

CR: McKnight 4 run (Taborda kick) 9:45  
CR: Rutherford 28 pass to Seth Salverino (Taborda kick) 3:57

Fourth quarter

CR: Rutherford 8 pass to Noah Abboud (Taborda kick) 11:31

Team stats

|               | TOMPKINS | CINCO RANCH |
|---------------|----------|-------------|
| First downs   | 10       | 25          |
| Yards rushing | 29-240   | 45-189      |
| Yards passing | 16       | 286         |
| Passes        | 3-10-0-0 | 22-30-3-0   |
| Punts         | 5-37     | 1-34        |
| Fumbles-lost  | 0-0      | 1-0         |
| Penalty-yards | 7-74     | 2-20        |

Individual Statistics

Rushing – Cinco Ranch: Sam McKnight, 15-99-2; Eric Eckstrom, 16-42-1; Gavin Rutherford, 12-29; Reite Nesiamia, 1-17; Seth Salverino, 1-2; Tompkins: Caleb Blocker, 20-180-1; Caleb Komolafe, 4-42-1; Chris Gilbert Jr., 3-6;

Passing – Cinco Ranch: Gavin Rutherford, 22-30-286-3-0; Tompkins: Chris Gilbert Jr., 3-10-16-0-0

Receiving – Cinco Ranch: Fischer Reed, 9-99-1; Seth Salverino, 5-76-1; Noah Abboud, 5-67-1; Dylan Kripki, 2-39; Sam McKnight, 1-5; Tompkins: Rhys Phillips, 2-16



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# Tompkins falls out of state football rankings after loss

BY TYLER TYRE  
SPORTS EDITOR

Tompkins fell out of the Dave Campbell Texas Football state rankings after last week's loss to Cinco Ranch.

The Falcons, who were ranked No. 12 last week, went unranked this week, falling out of the rankings along with The Woodlands.

Katy remained at No. 5 in Class 6A after its win over Morton Ranch, trailing Westlake, North Shore, Southlake Carroll and Duncanville.

| Rank | School               | (Record) | Week 3 | Prv |
|------|----------------------|----------|--------|-----|
| 1    | Austin Westlake      | (3-0)    | Idle   | 1   |
| 2    | Galena Park N. Shore | (3-0)    | Idle   | 2   |
| 3    | Southlake Carroll    | (4-0)    | W      | 3   |
| 4    | Duncanville          | (3-0)    | W      | 4   |
| 5    | Katy                 | (4-0)    | W      | 5   |

|    |                      |       |      |    |
|----|----------------------|-------|------|----|
| 6  | Denton Guyer         | (4-0) | W    | 6  |
| 7  | Humble Atascocita    | (2-1) | Idle | 7  |
| 8  | Cibolo Steele        | (4-0) | W    | 8  |
| 9  | Allen                | (3-1) | W    | 9  |
| 10 | Dallas Highland Park | (4-0) | W    | 10 |
| 11 | Arlington Martin     | (3-1) | W    | 11 |
| 12 | DeSoto               | (3-1) | W    | 13 |
| 13 | SA Northside Brennan | (3-1) | W    | 14 |
| 14 | Spring Westfield     | (2-1) | Idle | 15 |
| 15 | Alvin Shadow Creek   | (3-0) | Idle | 16 |
| 16 | Dripping Springs     | (3-0) | W    | 18 |
| 17 | Austin Vandegrift    | (3-1) | W    | 19 |
| 18 | Prosper              | (3-1) | L    | 17 |
| 19 | Round Rock           | (4-0) | W    | 20 |
| 20 | Rockwall             | (3-1) | W    | 21 |
| 21 | Klein Cain           | (3-0) | Idle | 22 |
| 22 | Jersey Village       | (3-0) | Idle | 23 |
| 23 | Waxahachie           | (4-0) | W    | 24 |
| 24 | Klein Collins        | (3-0) | Idle | NR |
| 25 | Trophy Club Nelson   | (4-0) | W    | NR |

Dropped out: **No. 12 Katy Tompkins**, No. 25 The Woodlands



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## Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 449 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2022 on Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 8:00 a.m., at Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600, Houston, TX 77027. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the tax rate that is adopted and on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.

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|-------------------------|--|
| FOR the proposal:       | J. Beavers, T. Crist, C. Vinklarek, M. Willett & H. Tolleson |
| AGAINST the proposal:   | (none)   |
| PRESENT and not voting: | (none)   |
| ABSENT:                 | (none)   |

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

|   | Last Year<br>\$ <u>1,240</u> /\$100<br>Adopted | This Year<br>\$ <u>1,160</u> /\$100<br>Proposed |
|---|--|---|
| Tax rate (per \$100 of value)   |  |   |
| Difference in rates per \$100 of value  |  | <u>-\$0.080</u> /\$100                          |
| Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)   |  | <u>-6.4516%</u>                                 |
| Average appraised residence homestead value   | <u>\$269,506</u>                               | <u>\$299,690</u>                                |
| General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions) | <u>\$ 0</u>                                    | <u>\$ 0</u>                                     |
| Average residence homestead taxable value   | <u>\$269,506</u>                               | <u>\$299,690</u>                                |
| Tax on average residence homestead  | <u>\$3,341.87</u>                              | <u>\$3,476.40</u>                               |
| Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)    | <u>\$134.53</u><br><u>4.0256%</u>              |   |

### NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ELECTION TO REDUCE TAX RATE

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance, and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than eight percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the voter-approval tax rate under Section 49.23603, Water Code.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

Questions regarding this notice can be directed to the tax office at (281) 499-1223.

## TAYLOR

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Seven Lakes went up two scores early in the second quarter on another pass, this time from Perez to Landon Ross and then made things 21-0 on a Barrett Hudson touchdown run with three minutes left in the half.

But Taylor turned things around from there. After a big pass, Dante Archie cut the lead to 14 on a 2-yard run and then Taylor nearly got seven more points on their final drive of the half. And Taylor came out even more determined in the third quarter.

"At halftime, there wasn't any doubt with these guys at all," said Taylor head coach Chad Simmons. "I told them 'this could be a legendary comeback from being down 21.' They all just fully bought in and kept their poise and stayed confident, that's all we needed."

Taylor came out hot immediately in the second half. Jefferson opened the scoring in the third quarter with a 15-yard touchdown throw to Dante Archie before Cherron Lewis ran in a score from eight yards out. Jefferson then hit Archie again from 49 yards out as Taylor took their first lead of the game, 28-21.

Jefferson ended the night 9 for 17 passing with 208 yards and three touchdowns through the air, while also adding 135 yards on the ground to lead the Mustangs.

"It's a joy to see where Joe has gotten too," Simmons said. "He's as mature, poised and as good a kid as you'll ever be around. He doesn't take the credit for anything and is always praising his teammates and knows he can't be successful with those guys around him. He gets it, and that's one of the best things you can say about a kid."

Jefferson put Taylor up two scores mid-way through the fourth with a 4-yard pass to Daniel Bruns before Seven Lakes cut things to a seven point lead on a 67-yard touchdown pass from Perez to Ross.

Taylor got the ball back and pounded the ball for two first downs to run out the clock, Jefferson broke off a long run on the play that sealed it, and went down at the one-yard-line instead of scoring to secure the win. A play that Simmons said showed the seniors leadership and maturity.

The Taylor defense held strong with everything the Spartans threw at them in the second half and also helped set up the offense for those scores, something the coaches and offense were quick to praise.

"During halftime, our coach came to us and said we can't have any more of what we had early, each of us has to do our job," said junior defensive lineman Ashton Coker. "If each of us do our jobs then we know we'll succeed as a whole team. We all did that in the second half on both sides of the ball and

that's what got us the win."

The win comes at an important time for Taylor, as the Mustangs enter their bye week and prepare for the rest of district play.

But Taylor wont spend the next week feeling good about themselves, they know there's still work to do.

"We're going to keep going out and getting better everyday," Coker said. "This win is important but there's more for us to do. Our goal is playoffs, so we are going to push for that. We lost to Cinco, but we are just going to keep going and try to beat every other team in our way."

### TAYLOR 35, SEVEN LAKES 28

|             |   |    |    |   |    |    |
|-------------|---|----|----|---|----|----|
| Taylor      | 0 | 7  | 21 | 7 | -- | 35 |
| Seven Lakes | 8 | 13 | 0  | 7 | -- | 28 |

#### First quarter

SL: Tanner Perez 71 pass to Marcel Davis (Luke Cunningham run) 3:20

#### Second quarter

SL: Perez 46 pass to Landon Ross (kick failed) 7:55  
SL: Barrett Hudson 4 run (Jon Franco kick) 3:12  
T: Dante Archie 2 run (AleI Sabek kick) 2:25

#### Third quarter

T: Joe Jefferson 15 pass to Dante Archie (Sabek kick) 8:39  
T: Cherron Lewis 8 run (Franco kick) 4:49  
T: Joe Jefferson 49 pass to Dante Archie (Sabek kick) 2:22

#### Fourth quarter

T: Jefferson 4 pass to Daniel Bruns (Sabek kick) 6:38  
SL: Pere 67 pass to Ross (Franco kick) 2:57

#### Team stats

|               | TAYLOR   | SEVEN LAKES |
|---------------|----------|-------------|
| First downs   | 17       | 13          |
| Yards rushing | 49-263   | 28-92       |
| Yards passing | 208      | 265         |
| Passes        | 9-17-3-1 | 11-21-3-0   |
| Punts         | 2-26     | 4-32        |
| Fumbles-lost  | 0-0      | 1-1         |
| Penalty-yards | 2-15     | 9-91        |

#### Individual Statistics

Rushing – Taylor: Joe Jefferson: 22-135; Dante Archie, 14-62-1; Cherron Lewis, 12-59-1; Chase Cobbin, 1-7; Seven Lakes: Jake Farris, 14-51; Barrett Hudson, 8-29-1; Marcel Davis, 3-17; Gary Dang, 1-2; Tanner Perez, 2-(-7);  
Passing – Taylor: Joe Jefferson, 9-17-208-3-1; Seven Lakes: Tanner Perez, 11-21-265-3-0  
Receiving – Taylor: Dante Archie, 3-77-2; Ian Flynt, 3-57; AleI Sabek, 2-57; Kameron Green, 1-11; Daniel Bruns, 1-6-1; Tompkins: Marcel Davis, Landon Ross, 4-146-2; 6-113-1; Barrett Hudson, 1-6;

## Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

The Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 71 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2022 on Monday, October 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., at the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 71 Administrative Building, 21437 Clay Road, Katy, Texas. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the tax rate that is adopted and on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://www.texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

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| FOR the proposal:       | P. Kerr, K. Thornhill & J. Elms |
| AGAINST the proposal:   | (none)                          |
| PRESENT and not voting: | (none)                          |
| ABSENT:                 | M. DuBois & M. Williams         |

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

|   | Last Year<br>\$ <u>0,790</u> /\$100<br>Adopted | This Year<br>\$ <u>0,770</u> /\$100<br>Proposed |
|---|--|---|
| Tax rate (per \$100 of value)   |  |   |
| Difference in rates per \$100 of value  |  | <u>-\$0.020</u> /\$100                          |
| Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)   |  | <u>-2.5316%</u>                                 |
| Average appraised residence homestead value   | <u>\$208,621</u>                               | <u>\$230,963</u>                                |
| General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions) | <u>\$ 0</u>                                    | <u>\$ 0</u>                                     |
| Average residence homestead taxable value   | <u>\$208,621</u>                               | <u>\$230,963</u>                                |
| Tax on average residence homestead  | <u>\$1,648.11</u>                              | <u>\$1,778.42</u>                               |
| Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)    | <u>\$130.31</u><br><u>7.9067%</u>              |   |

### NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ELECTION TO REDUCE TAX RATE

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance, and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than eight percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the voter-approval tax rate under Section 49.23603, Water Code.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

Questions regarding this notice can be directed to the tax office at (281) 499-1223.