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MINEOLA HOSTS VETERANS DAY PARADE

The Mineola High School Marching Band played the U.S. Navy song "Anchors Aweigh" as they marched in perfect formation during Saturday's Veterans Day Parade in Mineola.

BELOW: Flags representing the branches of the U.S. Armed Forces unfurl in the breeze Saturday during the Veterans Day Parade through Mineola.

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(Monitor photos by Hank Murphy).



GOP keeps lock on Wood County votes

By HANK MURPHY
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The GOP's sheer dominance of elections in Wood County showed no sign of abating last week as voters here gave overwhelming support to Republicans up and down the ballot.

Democrats were demolished from the get-go as straight ticket voting favored Republicans 87 percent to 13 percent. Of the 16,995 ballots cast in Wood County, 12,175 were straight ticket.

Only one Republican locally or statewide polled less than 82 percent in Wood County. Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick was the outlier with a mere 81.5 percent.

Republican Ted Cruz, who narrowly edged Democrat Beto O'Rourke 50.9-48.3 percent statewide in the U.S. Senate race, took Wood County with nearly 84 percent. Democrats failed to field a candidate in any of the 11 local Wood County races. Republican Jim Wheeler, who was removed from the office of District Attorney less than two weeks before the election, received

14,218 votes.

East Texas in general and Wood County in particular were not always ruby red. Long ago, Wood County was a Democratic stronghold. Even as recently as the early 1990s, Democrats ran competitive races in a county that could have best been characterized as purple. In 1994, the county broke 61 percent to 39 percent for Democrat Bob Bullock for lieutenant governor. It also gave comfortable margins to Democrats Dan Morales (Texas attorney general), and John Sharp (state comptroller).

In 1996, however, the county took on a decidedly red hue, favoring Republicans in every statewide race as well as congressional and state legislative races. By 2000, the floodgates were wide open and Wood County was saturated with red. Democrats have failed to field competitive candidates ever since.

When asked why Democrats fair so poorly in Wood County, Judy Traylor, chairwoman of the Wood County Democratic Party, said, "I wish I could

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Wood Co. increases in midterm election turnout

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Wood County voter turnout topped the 2014 mid-term by almost 50 percent.

According to the Wood County elections department, 16,995 voters cast ballots, including early, absentee and election-day voting. Of the total, 11,200 ballots were cast early.

That total does not include provisional ballots – those with questions

about a voter's eligibility, questions which must be resolved before the vote can be counted.

Current turnout is roughly 56 percent of the 30,145 registered voters in the county.

By comparison to the most recent midterm election, there were 11,437 total votes and 4,867 early votes in 2014. There were 28,859 registered voters that election, according to past

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Quitman church choir takes on New York performance

By ZAK WELLERMAN
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How do you get to Carnegie Hall, asks the old joke.

According to Lepha Luttrall, the answer is devotion, sound and the quality of Quitman's First Methodist Church choir.

Luttrall is choir director at First United Methodist Church of Quitman.

A rare opportunity to perform at Carnegie Hall in New York began with a YouTube video of a performance by the choir.

Last Christmas season Quitman's First United Methodist Church Chancel Choir performed a cantata – a compilation of songs used to bring forth a message – by composer and conductor Joseph Martin.

Church member Sam Scroggins recorded the performance of "Canticles in Candle-

light" and uploaded it to YouTube on Jan. 3. (To view the video, click the link here: <https://bit.ly/2PjPbvh>.)

Martin was preparing to premiere his latest work, "The Winter Rose," as a part of the Distinguished Concerts International New York City Concert (DCINY) Series at Carnegie Hall on Nov. 26 and Martin's

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This Week in Your Neighborhood

- The annual Hawkins community Thanksgiving service will be held Sunday, Nov. 18, at 6 p.m. at First Baptist Church, Hawkins. First Baptist Church, is located at 210 E Forest St., Hawkins.
- Quitman's food bank, Mercy Mall, will pass out special Thanksgiving baskets for people in need. Alba-Golden food pantry will have extra food for the Thanksgiving season as well as Christmas time.

Alba to purchase new patrol car, tractor

The Alba city council officially approved the execution of loan actions for the purchase of a new tractor and a new patrol car at the Nov. 5 regular council meeting. These assets are being procured through a loan with Community National Bank. Both purchases had previously been briefed and accounted for at the recently conducted autumn budget workshop.

The new tractor will be a 60 horsepower Kubota, which will give the city significantly more capability over the present 45 horsepower tractor in use. The tractor will play a big role in keeping the city roads properly maintained. The patrol car purchase will also include a vehicular camera sys-

tem.

In related budgetary action the council provided the Alba Fire Department with an approved 2018 – 2019 budget in the amount of \$84,300. With just over \$60,000 of expenditures anticipated, the budget allows for a \$24,176 dollars net balance, pending contingencies.

Also in unanimous action the council named resident Donna Lansdowne to the Library Board. Lansdowne will join Sandra Burge, Orvin Carroll, Cheryl Gill, Alicia Lowery and Ginger Patrick on the board.

Two of the Little Free Libraries recently commissioned by the council



Little Free Library at Golden Grocery and Deli in downtown Golden.

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Quilts are made with love and have always been a symbol of warmth and comfort. Quilts of Valor mean even more. They provide a way for citizens to give back and serve our service members and veterans. Saturday, six veterans were awarded Quilts of Valor at Stitchin' Heaven in Mineola. From left are: Bruce Walker, Navy; Richard Fairbanks, Marines; James Wilson, Army; Ben Hudman, Air Force; Joe Hamby, Army; and John Burns, Army. The QOV sewing group meets the last Wednesday of each month at Stitchin' Heaven. To learn more, visit www.QOVF.org (Courtesy photo).



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Choir

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researchers found the video. "They found it just by surfing (the internet), looking for choirs that were singing music written by Joseph Martin. They contacted us in January and asked if we would be interested in coming to New York in November to sing with them," Luttrall said.

Led by Martin, the choir from Quitman will join several others in a 'choir of distinction' called the Distinguished Concerts Singers International.

Artistic Director and Principal Conductor for DCINY, Dr. Jonathan Griffith, commended the Quitman choir members for their high quality performance.

"The Quitman First Unit-

ed Methodist Church Chancel Choir received this invitation because of the quality and high level of musicianship demonstrated by the singers as well as the exceptional quality of their audition recording," Griffith stated in the DCINY press release. "It is quite an honor just to be invited to perform in New York. These wonderful musicians not only represent a high quality of music and education, but they also become ambassadors for the entire community. This is an event of extreme pride for everybody and deserving of the community's recognition and support."

Luttrall attributed the opportunity to perform at Carnegie Hall to the choir members' quality musicianship.

"I don't think it's anything that I did. I think that Joseph Martin's research group came across the YouTube



Some of the First United Methodist Church Quitman choir during their rehearsal on Nov. 7. Not all of those pictured are going to New York. And, not all of the ones going were present at rehearsal. Front Row: Joe Fitzgerald, Carson McIlwain, Marilyn Odum, Kathy Thurman, Pat Kostial; second row: Jan Doerr, Randy Dunn, Bill Hedges, Will McWhorter, Stella Lundy; third row: Dr. Beverly Waddleton, Mary Meyer, Sharon Brooks, Annette Simpkins, Susan Ukleja; back row: Carol Tackett, Teresa Dunn, Christy Floyd, Lepha Luttrall.

video and they recognized the strength of the choir members. We have some great singers with very strong voices and they are so willing to help each other learn the parts," she said. "I just think it was the sound of the choir that grabbed their attention because I just don't think it was anything I did. I think it's all about the choir members and their talent."

Twenty members of the choir will spend five days in

New York City rehearsing but also taking time to visit historical and cultural sites. Nine non-singers – mostly family members – will join the group on the trip.

"It's such a once-in-a-lifetime thing to go to New York and sing at Carnegie Hall. There are several of our choir members that have never been to New York before," Luttrall said. "And so it's just the whole experience of going and go-

ing with a large group and going to sing at Carnegie Hall. Of course, everything will be decorated for Christmas once we get there. It's just really going to put us in the holiday spirit."

The choir will participate in several hours of rehearsals on Saturday and Sunday and a dress rehearsal Monday afternoon in preparation for the concert Monday night. About 45 to 50 minutes

long, the performance will feature a full orchestra and professional soloists.

The group started practicing in May and has continued to rehearse to be at their best in New York.

Choir members have a few ideas of what they want to do in New York, including Broadway shows, the 9/11 memorial, riding the subway, going to Ellis Island to see the Statue of Liberty, top of Rockefeller Center, Empire State Building, Times Square and Wall Street.

"I think they're pretty excited and a little anxious, not really sure what to expect. For some of them, it's their first time to go to New York," Luttrall stated.

"We worked all summer long and we've had weekly rehearsals. We've had two special rehearsals, where we just worked on sections like the altos and basses," she said. "They have also had a CD to listen to at home and in the car."

Two fundraisers helped the choir get to Carnegie Hall: a fish fry in June and a dessert-and-coffee with Broadway songs event in April. A Go Fund Me page was also created to help with travel expenses.

Read full story online at www.woodcountymonitor.com

WOOD COUNTY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

2nd FRIDAY ACOUSTICAL JAM - second Friday 6 - 9 p.m., Quitman Public Library, 202 E Goode St, Quitman 903-975-5745
 ALBA CITY COUNCIL - first Monday, 6:30 p.m., City Hall.
 ALBA LADIES CLUB - fourth Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Alba Community Center. 765-2573
 ALBA LIBRARY/MUSEUM BOARD - third Monday every other month, 4 p.m., library building. Everyone welcome.
 ALBA-GOLDEN SCHOOL BOARD - second Monday, 7 p.m., high school library., 768-2472.
 ALBA-GOLDEN YOUTH FOUNDATION - second Tuesday, elementary gym, 7 p.m. All welcome.
 ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - Sunday and Monday, 7 p.m., Friday 8 p.m., Wednesday noon: Women's Group Mon. 11 a.m.; St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, Mineola.
 ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - Wednesday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m., 404 S. Main Street, Quitman.
 ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - Gateway Group, Tues. & Sat. 7 p.m. Puckett House, 109 Kilpatrick Street.
 AL ANON - Thursday, 7:30 pm; St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, Mineola.
 ALZHEIMER SUPPORT GROUP (sponsored by Pilot Club) first Monday, 11 a.m., Red Dome restaurant in Quitman, 903-569-5237.
 AMERICAN LEGION POST 296 and Auxiliary - fourth Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Highway 80, three miles east of Mineola. 903-569-0348. All are invited.
 AMERICAN LEGION POST OF WINNSBORO - first Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., 102 West Broadway, in Winnsboro. 903-752-0913 or 903-7675338.
 APET (Animal Preservation of East Texas) Thrift Store - Dog Gone Good Stuff, 915 S. Pacific Street, Mineola, Thursday-Saturday, 903-569-0505 or 903-563-9542.
 BOY SCOUT TROOP #36 QUITMAN - meets Sunday, 4:30 p.m., Scout House behind First United Methodist Church. Danny King, 903-521-5930.
 BOYSCOUTS TROOP 385 MINEOLA - Tuesdays 7 p.m., Mineola Methodist Education Bldg. New boys/alums welcome! Chris Jennings 903-569-3531
 BOY SCOUTS TROOP 180 WINNSBORO - Tuesdays 6:30 p.m., Church of Christ. New boys/alums welcome! Tex Willis 903-816-0638
 BOY SCOUTS TROOP 379 WINNSBORO - Tuesdays 7 p.m., City Bldg @ Walker Park. New boys/alums welcome! Sherry McGovern 903-335-9744
 BREAD OF LIFE MINISTRY FOOD PANTRY - Humble Baptist, first & third Tuesday 1-4 p.m.
 BREAKING FREE - meeting place for families and friends of addicts and alcoholics. Monday, 7 p.m., 971 E. Goode St., Quitman, 903-497-6149.
 CELEBRATE RECOVERY - a support group for those with various hurts, habits or hang-ups, every Monday, 6:30-9 p.m., Church On the Rock annex building at 302 S. Stephens. 903-763-4588.
 THE CORVETTES OF WOOD COUNTY - First Saturday of the month at 9 a.m. Richie's Grill, corner of U.S. 80 and FM 14 in Hawkins. Open to any Corvette owner.
 COUNSELING CHRISTIAN GUIDANCE CENTER - 903-850-3858 or ibarnes@texascellnet.com.
 CUB SCOUTS PACK 391 HAWKINS - meets Sundays, 5 p.m., Scout Hut, FUMC. New boys, alums welcome. Scott Randall, 903-203-7901.
 DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION - first Saturday except June, July, August and December, 12 p.m. Harvest Acres Baptist Church, 460 NW Loop 564, Mineola. 903-343-1474.
 DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, John Hogg, Sr. Chapter, 3rd Monday except June, July, August & December, 1 PM. Holly Hall, Holly Lake Ranch. 903-520-8697
 DELPHIAN LITERARY CLUB - first Wednesday, 569-6794 or 569-3586.
 DRUG AND ALCOHOL AWARENESS - 7 p.m. Friday, Seventh Day Adventist Church, Ronny Polley 768-2992.
 DUPLICATE BRIDGE ACBL games - Wednesday and Friday, 10:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 882-1335.
 EASTERN STAR - Quitman Chapter 695, 3rd Tues., dinner 6:30 p.m., meeting 7:30. Flora Lodge in Quitman. 903-638-6420.
 ETMC Quitman - needs volunteers. Great opportunity to meet

people while helping your community. Contact Judy Johnson, 903-383-3433
 FANNIE MARCHMAN GARDEN CLUB - third Wednesday, September - May, Mineola Civic Center, 9:30 a.m. Visitors welcome. Charla Martin, president, 903-638-6389
 FLORA MASONIC LODGE #119 - first Tuesday at the lodge hall, Highway 37, Quitman. Covered dish - 6:30 p.m., meeting 7:30 p.m. Study nights for members each Thursday, 7 p.m. at the hall.
 FOREVER YOUNG ACTIVITIES CENTER - Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fitness exercises, bridge, lessons, Bingo and card games.
 FOUKE-LAKE HAWKINS CRIME WATCH - third Thursday, 7 p.m., Fouke Community Center
 FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY - second Tuesday, Quitman.
 FRIENDS OF THE MINEOLA MEMORIAL LIBRARY - first Wednesday, 1 p.m., Mineola Library, 569-2767.
 GED CLASSES, FREE - Sand Spring Baptist Church. Monday and Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon, or 6-9 p.m. 903-768-3239 or 903-569-9350.
 GED FREE PREPARATORY CLASS - each Thursday 4 - 6 p.m. concurrent with QISD calendar. Quitman Public Library, 202 E Goode St, Quitman 903-975-5745
 GIRL SCOUTS MINEOLA TROOP 3 - building girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place! All girls kindergarten-12th grade welcome! Monday, 5:00-6:30 pm, September-May, Broad Street Church of Christ Annex, Crystal Arcand 903-705-2459
 HAINESVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER - second Tuesday, 6 p.m. Members bring a covered dish and enjoy an evening of fellowship. The center is located at FM 49 and 778, 903-769-1091.
 HAINESVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. - second and fourth Thursday, 7 p.m., Firehouse downtown Hainesville.
 HAWKINS LIONS CLUB - second and fourth Tuesday at the depot in Willful Crossing.
 HOLLY LAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT -first and third Tuesday at the fire station at Holly Lake Ranch.
 IRIS GARDEN CLUB-GOLDEN - first Monday, September-May, Golden United Methodist Church. 903-765-3000.
 KIWANIS CLUB - noon Tuesday, Mineola Civic Center Dogwood Room.
 THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OF SAINT PETER'S THE APOSTLE COUNCIL #11933 - second Thursday, 7 p.m., at the church, 203 Meadowbrook Drive, Mineola. 903-569-3662.
 LAKE COUNTRY CLASSIC CAR CLUB - third Monday, 6:30 p.m. 903-850-2557.
 LAKE COUNTRY REPUBLICANS - fourth Tuesday, 6 p.m., Red Dome Smokehouse, Quitman.
 LAKE COUNTRY RV TRAVELERS - of Good Sam Int'l. Monthly, RV parks w/in 150 m. radius. 903-569-3677 or 3069.
 LAKE COUNTRY SYMPHONIC BAND - will resume rehearsals Aug. 6 at Mineola High School Band Hall. 7 p.m. 903-569-2300.
 LAKE FORK ROTARY CLUB - Wednesday, noon, at the Lake Fork Baptist Church on State Highway 515
 LAKE HOLBROOK ASSOCIATION - first Saturday, February, May, August and November, Harold Simmons Community Center, 5:30 p.m. directors, 6 p.m. all members and guests welcome. 903-569-0223.
 MEMORY CAFE, a time for stimulating memory, meets weekly on Thursday in the craft room at Holly Brook Baptist Church from 11:45 to 2 p.m. Lunch is provided. Various activities are offered each week, including games, moderate exercise, art, and music. People in the area are invited. There is no charge. For more information call 903 769-2091
 MINEOLA BAND BOOSTERS - second Tuesday, 7 p.m., in high school band hall. All parents invited.
 MINEOLA LIONS CLUB - second and fourth Thursday, noon, Mineola Country Club, 903-638-1596; 903-569-3340.

MINEOLA MARINE CORPS LEAGUE Det. #1278, 3rd Tuesday, 6 p.m. meal, 7 p.m. meeting. American Legion Building, 2015 E. Hwy. 80, Mineola, 903-497-3030.
 MINEOLA SCHOOL BOARD - third Monday, Admin. Bldg., Loop 564, 7 p.m.
 MINEOLA CITY COUNCIL - fourth Monday, 5:30 p.m., City Hall. Public welcome. Call City Hall for changes in November and December because of holidays.
 MINEOLA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB - last Monday, 6 p.m., high school lobby.
 MINEOLA HISTORICAL MUSEUM ADVISORY BOARD - third Tuesday, 4 p.m., city hall. 569-6944. Public invited.
 MINEOLA MASONIC LODGE - second Thursday, dinner at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7:30 p.m. All Masons invited. 569-2608.
 MINEOLA REBEKAH LODGE - first and third Tuesday, 11 a.m., 106 S. Line St. All Rebekahs welcome, 569-2776.
 MINEOLA ROTARY CLUB - Monday noon, Dogwood Room, Mineola Civic Center.
 MINEOLA ROTARY RECYCLING - third Saturday, 8:30-11:30 a.m., Walmart parking lot. Cardboard, paper and plastic accepted.
 MINEOLA SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER - 308 University, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. 903-497-1162; Dominoes & other games.
 MLOTA LINE DANCE GUILD - Tuesday, 8:30 a.m., and Friday, 9:30 a.m.
 MLOTA FIBER/CRAFT ART GUILD - Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., business meeting fourth Thursday, 9:30 am.
 MLOTA QUILT GUILD - first, second and third Thursday, 9:30 am; business meeting first Thursday.
 MLOTA PAINTERS GUILD - Wednesday, 10 a.m.; business meeting fourth Monday.
 MLOTA RUG HOOKING GROUP - first Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Beginners are welcome.
 MLOTA PHOTOGRAPHY GUILD - fourth Thursday, 6:30 p.m. All levels welcome., 903-569-8877.
 MLOTA SCULPTURE GUILD - Tuesday, 1 p.m. Business meeting first Tuesday.
 MONDAY NIGHT KNITS - 6-8 p.m. Monday, Golden Methodist Fellowship Hall. 903-768-2540.
 NORTHEAST TEXAS PARATROOPERS ASSOCIATION - third Saturday at 7:30 a.m. at Red Dome Smokehouse in Quitman.
 OPEN HEART MINISTRY - third Friday, 7 p.m., Mineola Civic Center.
 OVERCOMERS RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP - Monday, 7-8 p.m., Whispering Pines Church of the Nazarene, located on CR 3811, Hawkins
 PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL OF MINEOLA ELEMENTARY - first Tuesday, 8:15 a.m., elementary library,
 PARENTS ANONYMOUS GROUP - Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., First Baptist Church, Quitman. Children's program provided. 903-629-2114
 PILOT CLUB OF MINEOLA - second and fourth Tuesday, 6 p.m. Mineola Civic Center. 903-569-5237.
 PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - at First Baptist Church in Quitman. First Tuesday 1-3:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. 903-763-8101.
 QUILTS OF VALOR GROUP, STITCHIN' ANGELS, meet the last Wednesday of the month at 10:30 a.m., 1118 N. Pacific St., Mineola, to make quilts for service members and veterans.
 QUITMAN CHILD ADVOCACY GROUP - third Thursday, 10 a.m., 403 Conger in Quitman. The public is welcome.
 QUITMAN GARDEN CLUB - second Tuesday (except when on field trips), 2 p.m., Quitman library. quitmangardenclub@gmail.com. All are welcome.
 QUITMAN/LAKE FORK KIWANIS - Wednesday, noon, Faith Student Center, 403 S. Main St., Quitman.QUITMAN LIONS CLUB - second and fourth Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Peralto's Restaurant. Contact any Lions Club member to donate your

used eyeglasses for recycling to the needy.
 QUITMAN PILOT CLUB - third Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Quitman Public Library. 903-383-5075.
 QUITMAN ROTARY CLUB, Thurs., noon, ETMC Community Room, N. Hwy. 37.
 QUITMAN CITY COUNCIL - third Thursday, 5:30 p.m.; city hall.
 QUITMAN SCHOOL BOARD - 2nd Monday, 6 p.m. Administration Building.
 REPUBLICAN CLUB OF WINNSBORO - fourth Monday, 7 p.m., 903-342-0575.
 REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF WOOD COUNTY - third Monday, 11:30 a.m., Red Dome, Quitman, 903-383-2121.
 SINGING AT THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF HAWKINS - fourth Sunday, 2-4 p.m.
 SCOTTISH RITE - Wood County Scottish Rite Club meets third Thursday of odd month, 6:30 p.m., Red Dome Smokehouse meeting room. 903-253-3635.
 STROKE SURVIVORS & APHASIA CLUB OF EAST TEXAS - fourth Wednesday, 6-7 p.m., First Baptist Church Quitman, 903-878-2392.
 TEXAS INMATE FAMILIES ASSOCIATION - second Tuesday, 6:30-8 p.m., First Christian Church Tyler, Broadway & Loop, 903-839-2349.
 TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL - Garden Valley chapter, Thursdays on Mercy Ships property, 5:30-6:30 p.m. 903-882-0887.
 TOPS GROUP - Thursday, 8-11 a.m., Harvest Acres Baptist Church, NW Loop 564, 569-1240, 569-2415.
 UPPER SABINE VALLEY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT - every three months on third Monday, Wood County Courthouse, 5:30 p.m.. 903-763-2123.
 UTU AUXILIARY MORNING STAR LODGE #851 - third Monday (except July and August), 11:30 a.m
 VFW LADIES AUXILIARY #7523 - third Sunday, 1 p.m., Recruiting new members. 569-2228.
 VFW POST #7523 - third Wednesday, 6 p.m., Karaoke every Friday 8 p.m. 569-2228.
 WHYTE DOVE WRITER'S GROUP - Second Tuesday, 6 p.m., Quitman Public Library. 903-763-1210 or e-mail mkyoung97@peoples.com.net
 WOOD COUNTY 4-H HORSE CLUB - Business meeting, Monday, 2 p.m., Wood County Extension Office.
 Wood County Aggie Moms - 1st Tuesday, 6 p.m., 903-539-7049 or Wood County Aggie Moms Facebook page.
 WOOD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT - Quarterly, third Thursday, 8 p.m., appraisal district office. Open to the public.
 WOOD COUNTY CENTRAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT - third Monday, 5:30 p.m. (every three months).
 WOOD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT - every other Friday, Commissioners Court, Quitman, 10 a.m. 763-2716.
 WOOD COUNTY CRIME STOPPERS - every other month, third Monday, 6 p.m., Wood County Justice Center courtroom. The public is invited. 903-763-2201 or 903-569-6294.
 WOOD COUNTY DEMOCRAT CLUB - fourth Thursday, Quitman Public Library, at 6:15 p.m. 903-383-7036 or www.wood-countydem.org.
 WOOD COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY - third Monday, January through May and September through November, 7 p.m., Quitman Public Library, Shamburger Community Room. For 903-763-4191 or 967-2458.
 WOOD COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. IMMUNIZATION CLINIC - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 9-11 a.m., and 1-3 p.m., third Monday, 1-6 p.m. Public Health Department offices, 213 W. Bermuda, Quitman, 763-5406.
 WOOD COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT - second Monday, 7 p.m., hospital conference room in Quitman. Public invited.
 WOOD COUNTY PCT. 2 CONSTABLE EXPLORERS - first Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Armed Texans Training Facility, 369 CR 2784, Mineola.
 WOOD COUNTY RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION - third Monday, September-December, and February-April, 2 p.m. and in May at 5 p.m., Forever Young Activity Center, 402 S. Main St., Quitman. All retired school personnel are invited.
 YANTIS CITY COUNCIL - second Tuesday, 6 p.m., city hall.
 YANTIS SCHOOL BOARD - second Monday, 6 p.m. (executive session), 7 open meeting, school cafeteria.
 YANTIS/LAKE FORK LIONS CLUB - second Thursday, 6 p.m., Yantis Community Center.

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Quitman FFA students stand with the flags they won this semester. (Photo from Quitman FFA)

Quitman FFA advances teams to area contest

After excelling at the district contest in Grand Saline last Wednesday, Quitman FFA has eight teams advancing to the area content at Texas State Technical College this week.

FFA students focus on 13 events dealing with public speaking, decision making, critical thinking, communication and knowledge of agriculture and the FFA organization.

The students will compete on Nov. 14 in Marshall.

In preparation, Quitman competed in various leadership contests prior to district. These competitions include Alba-Golden, Winona and Waskom.

The results of the district contest are as follows:

ADVANCING TO AREA CONTEST:

First place Agricultural Advocacy: Brenley von Reyn, Jentri Jackson,

Jordyn Blalock and Lexi Wilson
First place Senior Skills: Jordyn Blalock, Julia Simpkins and Whitnee Wieher

First place Junior Skills: Avery von Reyn, Kennedi Howle and Elizabeth Herring

Second place FFA Broadcasting: Josh Medlin, Jentri Jackson and Lucy Brannon

Second Junior Chapter Conducting: Harlie Haney, Wyatt Hightower, Katy Knutson, Brooklyn Marcee, Alexis O'Neal, Gavin Oakes, Sydney Reid and Matthew Smith

Second place Public Relations: Keeley Glidewell, Lindsey Hornaday, Lucy Brannon and Shelby Hayes

Fourth place Senior Chapter Conducting: Wyatt Bashiom, Alyssa Creed, Aliagh Farham, Shelby Hayes, Bran-

den Sessions, Brayden Sessions and Lexi Wilson

Fourth place Agricultural Issues: Rhiana Bradshaw, Kasey Davis, Courtney McCollum, Kayla Munger, Crystal Plata, Brayden Sessions and Kendal Wiley

OTHER UNADVANCING PLACINGS:

Fifth place Senior Quiz: Branden Sessions, Kathryn Hudman, Marcus Pollard and Hallie Davis

Fifth place Greenhand Creed Speaking: Alexis O'Neal

Seventh place Greenhand Quiz: Ava Burroughs, Hannah Curry, Mason Reynolds and Parker Simpkins

Ninth place Job Interview: Brenley von Reyn

16th place Senior Creed Speaking: Aliagh Farham

Guest Column SALVATION ARMY: A blessing beyond belief

By TAMMY BLAKEMORE
Treasurer, Mineola Salvation Army

Standing in front of Walmart or Brookshire's on a cold and wet Saturday ringing the Salvation Army bell may not sound like a lot of fun to most people. But those who ring the bell know the experience can be life-changing. The stories you hear from people in our community who have been on the receiving end of the Salvation Army are plentiful. And it's often the bell-ringer who is blessed by this experience.

As treasurer for the Mineola Salvation Army, my role is to make sure we have enough money locally to help meet very basic needs of the families in our community. Many people don't realize that every single penny dropped in our kettles stay right here in Mineola.

In 2017, the Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign raised over \$5,000, which was used to help over 300 families in the Mineola area. If it weren't for our annual bell-ringers and the generosity of our community, none of this would happen. The kettle campaign is our only fund-raising event of the year and the people in our community always step up to make sure our needs are met.

Last year, my husband and I were ringing the bell in front of Walmart, when a man came up and shared his personal testimony about how the Salvation Army saved his life. His heartbreaking story began with a mental disorder that led to him losing his home and car. He said he ended up with nothing and no place to live. He turned to the Salvation Army, which provided him with a place to stay, doctors who were able to diagnose his medical condition and medication necessary to treat his disorder. As a result, this man was able to get back on his feet and return to a normal life.

Once we all wiped the tears from our eyes, the man gave all he had back to the Salvation Army. He didn't have much, but he paid it forward. His story was a powerful testament to the impact of a helping community through the Salvation Army.

Every bell-ringer hears stories just like this one, and the people who always seem to give the most are the people who have the least. Many have been helped by the Salvation Army in one way or another.

I would like to thank the people of Mineola and the surrounding area for opening their wallets, purses and pockets to make a difference. I would like to thank Steve and Gail Turner for their help organizing this program and for the time they put in each season to make a difference. Lastly, I would like to thank our local civic organizations and volunteers who give their time every year to ring the bell. Without you, there would be no Salvation Army.

For more than 100 years, The Salvation Army has been faithfully serving the people in our area and we will continue to work hard to make sure the needs in our area are being met. As the Salvation Army continues into the 21st century, they remain committed to helping people at a community level, while spreading the love of Jesus Christ.

Our 2018 bell-ringing campaign starts on Saturday, Nov. 24 and runs for five consecutive weeks. We always need more volunteers and trust me when I say this "you will be the one blessed by this experience."

If you have questions about the Salvation Army or if you would like to sign up to be a bell-ringer please contact me at bt.blake@yahoo.com.



Faith Baptist Church, Quitman, held ground-breaking ceremonies Oct. 21 to begin the transformation of the former Tea Room restaurant into a larger worship area and construction of a new front entrance. Members of the building committee along with the Deacon body are (left to right): Jim Dozier, Carolyn Bryant, Pastor Mike Midkiff, Associate Pastor Jarrod Yeager and Kenneth Williams. The renovation and new construction is scheduled to be completed by Easter Sunday 2019. The project is being done by JPI Construction of Quitman and Jennings Architecture, Tyler. (Photo by Vicky Clark)

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Caring & Sharing nets more than \$7K from auction

Mineola's Caring & Sharing program raised \$7,200 through the KMOO Radio Auction conducted Nov. 3, according to Beverly Spike, chair of the Caring & Sharing board. The organization expects to collect another \$200 once everyone picks up their certificates and pays for their items, she added.

The auction was a success and "everything ran very smoothly," Spike noted.

Caring & Sharing was wo-



ven into the fabric of Mineola in 1983. It now helps close to 300 families. Caring & Sharing will be raffling off three \$200 gift cards to Brook-

shire's on Dec. 8. Raffle ticket sales will be sold through November and conclude on Dec. 8. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5.

Caring & Sharing has an on-going fundraiser through its Aluminum Can Drive. A receptacle for donations is located behind Brookshire's.

To get involved or for more information on Caring & Sharing, call project chair George Assaf at 903 569-6553 or 903 520-6699.



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Ben J. Kerr, III Announcement

After 50+ years of practicing law, I am retiring on January 1, 2019. It has been both my pleasure and my honor to have served you and the people of East Texas and surrounding areas for these many years.

You will need to retain the services of another attorney to represent you in the future. Please make arrangements to pick up your file, or have your file transferred to your new attorney before January 1, 2019. If you need a closed file after January 1, 2019, you can contact me at P.O. Box 1029, Quitman, Texas 75783 with your requests.

If you have any escrowed funds in my client trust account, please contact me so I can make appropriate arrangements to return these funds to you or your designee.

If you have any additional concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,
Ben J. Kerr, III

Annual Lions Club luncheon Nov. 22

The Yantis-Lake Fork Lions Club 14th Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon will be Nov. 22. The event will be at the Yantis School Cafeteria starting at 11:30 am until 1:30 p.m. The Thanksgiving traditional meal of turkey, ham and turkey breast with all the trimmings will be served.

a service to the community for those who might be alone during the start of the holiday season. Come and share a delicious meal and good fellowship. There is no need for reservations and no charge for the meal. However, donations are always welcome.

For further information contact Mary Bass at 903-850-1765.

Sentencing in embezzlement case set Nov. 15 in Tyler

Sentencing for Lina Su, also known as Lina Perkins, is set for Nov. 15 before U.S. District Judge Thad Heartfield in Tyler.

Su, formerly of Hawkins and now residing in Mineola, according to court records, pleaded guilty in June to two counts of wire fraud and one count of money laundering in connection with the embezzlement of \$1.8 million. Su was indicted by a federal grand jury on Dec. 13, 2017, and arrested in January.

The government alleged that in March of 2017, Su

made several unauthorized wire transfers from VIG Furniture bank accounts into an account she controlled at City National Bank in Sulphur Springs.

In 2015 and 2016, she also made unauthorized transfers from Airport Van Rental and ACE Medical Transport bank accounts into her personal checking account.

In addition, Su used funds from those companies' accounts to make personal credit card payments, purchase land, and pay contractors constructing her home in Hawkins.

KEEPING A PROMISE



Gerald Russell stands at the new school bus stop shelter on Baker Street.

Shelter erected at school bus stop

By HANK MURPHY
editor@woodcountymonitor.com

Thanks to Gerald Russell and a lot of helping hands, school children in his neighborhood now have a sturdy shelter to keep them out of the wind and rain as they wait for the school bus this winter.

Russell, 64, who lives on Baker Street, said he remembered being a kid and standing in the cold, and he empathized with the kids down the street waiting for the school bus.

"When I came out one morning with a glass of orange juice, I noticed them standing in the rain and in the cold, so I came down here," Russell said.

He could tell the kids were cold. "I said I'll tell you what, I'll see if I can come up with a plan to get you some shelter. And that's how it basically got started," Russell explained.

He stayed true to his word and got the ball rolling on the project over the summer. He expects five to eight kids will take advantage of the metal-frame structure, which, he be-

lieves, is the only one of its kind in Mineola.

He thanked the following for their help with the project: Jack Jones and the Methodist Men, Pastor Paul Thomasson of First United Methodist Church, Sandy Sampson and the Southside Church of Christ, Pastor Demetrius T. Boyd of St. Paul's Missionary Baptist Church, Benham & Co., Craig Musgraves at M Prints Printing & Graphics, Mercy Rushing and the city of Mineola, and Hector Construction Co.

Quitman Municipal Court will be open after-hours on Nov. 20th 4:30-7:30 for anyone with an outstanding ticket. Come to City Hall and take advantage of this after-hours walk-in docket.

Notice! REPUBLIC SERVICES will not be providing garbage pickup on Thanksgiving Day. All garbage scheduled for Thursday will be picked up on Friday. All garbage scheduled for Friday will be picked up on Saturday. After Saturday, service will resume its regular schedule.



WISHES YOU A HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Inside and Outside the Picket Fence

BY JAN WHITLOCK

Welcome winter? This event is not official until Dec. 21. Those of us who

live in Northeast Texas have learned to be patient and flexible when it comes to fall and winter temperatures. By the time you read this article you will be thinking about turkey and other seasonal delights. The volunteers at the Quitman Arboretum are focused on "winterizing."

Winterizing in the gardens involves preparing your plant materials to withstand freezing temperatures as well as a few surprise balmy days. One of our warm weather favorites at the Arboretum is the plumeria. Our plumeria has grown quite



Quitman Arboretum and Botanical Gardens

large thanks to proper handling and loving care. This year it was too large to pot and move indoors. Pruning the plant supplied us with enough cuttings to root and store at safe temperatures during the winter months. You would be surprised at how many

of your summer and fall favorites can be the source of cuttings that will root and winter over in your house or garage.

Inside the Stinson house, the boxes of Christmas ornaments have found their way downstairs and are being organized for the annual December decorating. What ... you are decorating before Thanksgiving? I am afraid so. Santa's helpers are out in full force. Please feel to join us on any Wednesday. Time marches on and so do the elves. We are up to our boot tops in "Ho, ho, ho." The coffee is on.



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ACROSS

- Pearsall is the seat of this county
- TXism: "thinkin' doin' "
- TXism: "blind as "
- TX "Oh, Pretty Woman" singer (init.)
- police officer
- black magic
- "Texas" in Palo Duro Canyon is an out drama
- poorly maintained old TX car (2 wds.)
- TXism: "the teeth" (well equipped)
- a dating site is where one might mate
- TX pro wrestler Matt who first portrayed "Dink the Clown"
- "snail " (using the postal system)
- talked back to
- TXism: "his shadow in the dirt" (fell)
- TX fire ants, e.g. Harris County is bigger than this state (abbr.)
- "Texas, Our Texas" (2 wds.)
- "horny " (using the postal system)
- this Rodriguez was the 2011 "Miss Texas" on her 5th attempt
- noisy sleeping a biblical reference to Jesus (3 wds.)
- TX Willie Nelson's "Forgiving Was Easy" (1985)
- photography (from an aircraft)
- Dallas Stars scores
- military slang for mess hall duties
- sound from Dallas Zoo big cat cages
- "Fanthorp State Historic Site" in Anderson
- glided down a snowy hill
- "Alert" started after a TX abduction
- "Grand Opry"
- El Paso tribal entity: "Ysleta del Pueblo"
- golf ball holder
- center of an apple
- TX Sissy Spacek and Kevin Kline 1986 film (3 wds.)
- TXism: "good boy"
- this doc delivers baby TXns: "/GYN"
- yearly fete: "Days"
- TX minerals in their natural state
- lousy scores on a 1-10 scale
- TXism: "that gets my " (angers)
- Rockets got Clyde Drexler for this Thorpe in 1995
- existing forever
- SI units for measuring angles
- this Wright was track coach at TX Southern and an Olympic coach
- air conditioned air
- "yes" in Mexico
- TXism: "plain as the ears " mule"
- TXism: "he's " of (like)
- TXism: "mighty " of (like)
- Santa TX
- hit for TX Ivory Joe Hunter: "Lost My Mind"
- TXism: "heavy as the front of a John "
- TX soda: "Pepper"

DOWN

- civil aviation regulator (abbr.)
- slang for cactus: "twisted "
- TXism: "nervous as a long-tailed cat " of rocking chairs"
- this man directed TX Gene Tierney in "Laura" (1944)

Public Notice of Application

An application was filed by Mineola Community Bank, S.S.B., Mineola, Texas, with the Commissioner of the Department of Savings and Mortgage Lending, ("Department") State of Texas, 2601 North Lamar, Suite 201, Austin, Texas 78705, to purchase certain assets and assume certain liabilities of the branch office of MapleMark Bank, Dallas, Texas at 500 West Pine Street, Edgewood, Van Zandt County, Texas 75117.

Any person wishing to comment or protest this Application should file their comments or protests in writing with the Commissioner at the Department's address previously provided, including a protest fee of \$2,500 within 10 days from the date of this publication. Within 10 days of receiving a protest, the Commissioner shall set a hearing on-the Application, which shall occur within 60 days of receiving the protest and the protest fee, unless the protest is withdrawn prior to the date of the hearing.

Copies of written comments or protests should also be sent United States mail, postage prepaid, to the Applicant's representative: Mr. James L. Pledger, Jackson Walker LLP, 100 Congress Avenue, Suite 1100, Austin, Texas 78701.

The public may inspect and copy all portions of the Application, other than those made confidential by law, at the Department's business address previously stated, during regular business hours, Monday Friday, excluding holidays, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Mineola Police Report

NOV - 6 – Deputies went out on several arrest/warrant services beginning on FM 14 near Quitman about 12:05 a.m., on CR 1660 near Alba at about 1:10 a.m., on Cheyenne near Quitman about 2:13 a.m., Whit-edove near Quitman around 2:21 a.m., Choctaw near Quitman about 3:01 a.m. and at about 1:31 p.m. to CR 2810 near Mineola. Deputies were unable to make contact with person/persons sought.

Deputies were dispatched to HWY 37 near Mineola approximately 11:20 a.m. in reference to a dispute. They gave the reporting person advice and cleared the incident.

Deputies spoke with a person about 2:36 p.m. in reference to harassment that occurred on CR 3427 near Hawkins. They gave the person advice and cleared the incident.

Deputies were dispatched to CR 2330 near Mineola about 3:27 p.m. on a noise complaint. They advised those involved to lower the volume and cleared the incident.

Deputies were dispatched to CR 312 near Winnsboro about 5:38 p.m. on an assault. The case is active.

Deputies spoke with a reporting person at about 6:25 p.m. regarding terroristic threat on CR 3940 near Mineola. They have the person advice and cleared the incident.

Deputies responded to a suspicious vehicle on CR 4890 near Quitman about 7:13 p.m. They searched the area but were unable to locate the vehicle.

NOV - 5 – Deputies were dispatched to CR 2118 near Quitman about 10:24 a.m. in reference to an inquest. A female, 65, was found deceased in her residence. The Justice of the Peace and ordered an autopsy.

Deputies were dispatched to Glazner Street in Hawkins about 1:19 p.m. on a theft. Someone stole the person's license plate. The case was forwarded to other agency.

Deputies were dispatched to Hwy 11 near Winnsboro about 2:22 p.m. on a criminal trespass. They located the person and everything was OK.

Deputies responded to a suspicious vehicle on CR 2118 near Quitman about 6:12 p.m. They searched but did not find vehicle.

Deputies spoke with the reporting person about 6:12 p.m. in reference to theft that occurred on FM 69 near Quitman. Someone stole a campaign sign from the person's property.

Deputies went on an arrest/warrant service to Holliday Village Drive near Quitman about 7:33 p.m. They searched but were unable to make contact with the person.

NOV - 4 – Deputies were dispatched to CR 1941 near Yantis 1:24 a.m. on a dispute. Parties separated.

Deputies dispatched to CR 1682 near Alba about 8:39 a.m. on a disturbance. They spoke with all involved and cleared the incident.

Deputies were dispatched to PR 5935 near Yantis about 10:04 a.m. on theft. Someone stole an ATV from the reporting person's property. The case was forwarded to investigators.

Deputies were sent to 3148 near Quitman about 2:33 p.m. in reference to burglary. Someone known damaged the person's property and stole several items. The case was forwarded to investigators.

Deputies were dispatched to HWY 37 near Quitman around 4:25 p.m. to a dispute. Everyone was separated for the night.

NOV - 3 – Deputies were dispatched to CR 3843 near Hawkins about 2:46 am on an assault. Deputies spoke with those involved and cleared the incident.

Deputies were dispatched to CR 2211 near Mineola around 11:35 a.m. on shots fired. They searched but were unable to locate any activity.

Deputies spoke with a person about 3:07 p.m. on a theft that occurred on CR 1886 near Yantis. Someone took the person's boat without authorization.

Deputies spoke with a person about 3:12 p.m. on terroristic threat on Beaulah St. in Hawkins. They gave the person advice and cleared the incident.

Deputies spoke with a person around 3:56 p.m. on a burglary that occurred on CR 4896 near Winnsboro. Someone broke into the person's building and stole several tools. They told the person an extra patrol would be provided.

Deputies spoke with a person about 5:34 p.m. on a reckless driver on CR 3540 near Quitman. They told the person that extra patrol would be provided.

Deputies were dispatched to Holly Hill Circle about 5:54 on reference of a dispute. They searched the area but did not locate any person.

Willard Drake III, 25, of Terrell was arrested for an outstanding warrant when deputies were dispatched to FM 49 near Mineola around 8:13 when they answered a disturbance call.

Deputies were dispatched to FM 49 near Mineola about 8:54 p.m. on a noise complaint. They searched but were unable to locate any activity.

Deputies were dispatched to Bent Horse Lane near Hawkins about 10:43 p.m. in reference to criminal mischief. Someone damaged the reporting person's property. The case was sent to investigators.

NOV - 2 – Deputies responded to a suspicious vehicle on CR 1378 near Quitman about 12:34 a.m. They located the vehicle and cleared the incident.

Deputies went on an arrest/warrant service to Lane St. near Quitman about 2:29 a.m. and Holiday Village Drive near Quitman about 2:48 a.m. They were unable to find the individuals.

Deputies spoke with the reporting person about 7:58 a.m. on a scam that occurred on PR 5980 near Yantis. They gave the person advice and cleared the incident.

Deputies were dispatched to CR 1585 near Alba about 8 a.m. on an abandoned vehicle. Deputies searched but were unable to locate the vehicle.

Deputies were dispatched to CR 1210 near Quitman about 10:43 a.m. on suspicious circumstances. They searched but did not locate any activity.

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Wood County Sheriff's Report

Thursday, Nov. 1
8:46 a.m. Lindale P.D. reported a stolen motorcycle headed toward the city. An officer located the motorcycle at Loop 564 and FM 1801. The driver, Billy Bob Basham, 27, Fruitvale, was arrested for no motorcycle license. Lindale P.D. came to the scene to investigate the allegation of the stolen motorcycle. The owner of the motorcycle did not file charges.

10:23 a.m. A dispute was reported on McWhorter Street between family members. Officers responded to the residence and spoke with both parties. The dispute was settled.

11:05 a.m. A student reported his MISD laptop stolen.

11:12 a.m. A woman reported a small child out in the parking lot of a business on North Pacific Street without adult supervision. The incident had occurred the day before.

11:23 a.m. Officers assisted EMS with a medical call on West Kilpatrick. The woman was transported to a Tyler hospital.

3:30 p.m. A reckless driver was reported on East Broad Street that was unable to maintain a single lane of traffic. An officer responded to the call and located the vehicle in the parking lot of a business on East Broad Street. The officer made contact with the individual and found no signs of intoxication.

6:33 p.m. A resident on Wigley Street reported suspicious activity at a vacant residence. An officer responded to the call and found the residence was being remodeled.

7:16 p.m. A business on NW Loop 564 reported an ex-employee that would not give their key back. The key was given back by the time the officer arrived and the ex-employee was not there.

8:28 p.m. Multiple calls were received involving a reckless driver traveling north in the southbound lane at South Pacific and Loop 564. A Wood County Deputy located the vehicle and was able to get the driver stopped. An officer assisted on the stop.

9:41 p.m. Three vehicles were reportedly doing

donuts in the parking lot at the Mineola Football Stadium on Loop 564. An officer responded to the area, but did not find the vehicles involved. They had left before the officer arrived.

9:46 p.m. Three bales of hay were reportedly in the middle of the northbound lane at South Pacific and Loop 564. A vehicle hit the hay before Wood County or local officers arrived. Officers assisted with directing traffic until DPS arrived.

10:06 p.m. Officers assisted a DPS Trooper at Loop 564 and South Pacific Street on a traffic stop.

11:05 p.m. A welfare concern was reported when a 911 call was received from a child who stated their mother was at work and their father was asleep. Officers made contact with the father and the child at the residence on Meadowbrook. The child was fine.

11:53 a.m. Walmart reported suspicious activity with some subjects inside the store. Officers arrived and found one of the subjects, Brianna Michelle Little, 24, of Mineola was wanted for an outstanding warrant out of Dallas County. Little was arrested for a Probation violation for Possession of a Controlled Substance.

Friday, Nov. 2
12:53 a.m. A man from Florida reported he was lost and requested an officer meet him at a convenience store on North Pacific to show him how to work his GPS. An officer responded and put the address in the GPS for him.

2:45 p.m. A woman called 911 but did not know where she lived, since she had just moved here. A family member called 911 again to give the address on Johnson Street. An officer, EMS and First Responders responded to the call, but the woman refused all services.

4:53 p.m. A reckless driver was reported on South Pacific Street headed northbound that ran a stop sign and almost hit the caller. An officer responded to the call and located the vehicle and got the vehicle stopped at the Walmart parking lot. The driver was issued two warnings.

5:41 p.m. A motorist

assist was requested at North Pacific and McDonald Street. An officer responded and pushed the vehicle off the roadway. The officer gave the woman a ride to Pizza Hut to wait for family to pick her up.

7:50 p.m. Louis Lee Morrow, 56, of Mineola was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance over 1 gram and under 4 grams (Meth), Possession of Marijuana and Tampering with Evidence, after he was stopped for an expired registration on West Broad Street. Morrow threw the drugs out of the window as he was being stopped.

8:53 p.m. A verbal disturbance was reported on North Johnson Street between an ex-wife and ex-husband. An officer responded to the call and reported the ex-wife was able to get her belongings and leave.

Saturday, Nov. 3
5:20 p.m. A theft was reported at a business on NE Loop 564. This is under investigation.

5:34 p.m. A reckless driver was reported that reportedly ran some vehicles off the roadway. An officer responded to the call and got the vehicle stopped as the vehicle was turning into a residence on Graham Street. The driver denied that he was reckless.

8:21 p.m. A burn violation was reported on East Broad Street. An officer responded and had the resident put the fire out.

Sunday, Nov. 4.
2:01 a.m. An officer checked on a suspicious vehicle that was reportedly parked on North Johnson Street for an extended amount of time with the lights on and unoccupied. It was determined to belong to a resident that left their lights on.

9:51 a.m. A disturbance was reported on Church Street. Domell Lamar Lipscomb, 34, of Mineola was arrested for Assault with Bodily Injury (Family Violence) after it was reported that he punched a family member in the face.

3:16 p.m. A debit card was found in the ATM at a bank on North Pacific Street.

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Pct. 2 Constable's Report

Precinct Two constable Kelly Smith reports a busy September and October for his office.

September 2018
45 civil papers were served, attempted and/or processed.

Assisted Quitman PD with a K9 search.

3 K9 presentations for citizens.

2 assists for the Sheriff's Office on disturbances.

Assist DPS with a K9 search.

5 K9 searches with Mineola PD.

2 K9 house searches.

Disturbance call on CR 2210.

Warrant of arrest served.

Interviews were conducted with several citizens related to narcotic trafficking, burglaries and thefts in the area.

Citations were issued for offenses directly related to public safety.

Building checks were continued, and continued distributing door hangers so that citizens know their businesses are being checked.

Worked and patrolled precinct county roads. Patrol was enhanced in the Golden and Lake Holbrook area and nu-

merous contacts were made with citizens.

Numerous vehicles were checked at the Lake Holbrook area.

Firearms classes/defensive tactics classes were held in Mineola for Wood County and surrounding law enforcement agencies and for local churches for their safety.

Served as Justice of the Peace court bailiff throughout the month.

October 2018
19 civil papers were served, attempted and/or processed.

K9 presentation for the children at the Lone Star Learning Academy

Assisted the Sheriff's Office with:

Two disturbances;

Located a suspected endangered child from Hawkins;

Conducted a courtesy transport for a suspicious person from Lake Holbrook;

Funeral escort.

Assisted the Mineola Police Department with:

4 police K9 searches;

Two disturbances;

An injured man at the motor lodge;

A suspected missing elderly man who was located;

Traffic control with a head-on collision on South Pacific.

Assisted Mineola ISD with:

A suspicious person;

Meet and greet with K9 Juma at Fitness Friday at the Primary School;

Assisted Winnsboro ISD Police Department with Red Ribbon Week with a K9 demonstration and presentation at the elementary and a K9 search at the high school.

Answered a call for horses out on FM 2422.

Answered a call and opened a vehicle for a lady at Panda Buffet.

Answered a call and opened a vehicle at the Post Office where a child was locked inside the vehicle.

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Justice of the Peace Court Bailiff throughout the month.

Mineola Fire Report

Medical Assistance: Nov. 1, 8:06 a.m., 1245 E. U.S. 80, Mineola; Nov. 1, 11:18 a.m., 418 W. Kilpatrick St., Mineola; Nov. 2, 2:44 p.m., 313 N. Johnson St., Mineola; Nov. 5, 11:03 p.m., 122 English St., Mineola; Nov. 7, 10:23 p.m., 907 Ivey St., Mineola.

Motor Vehicle Accident No Injuries: Nov. 5, 9:59 a.m., 2100 Blk. N. Pacific St., Mineola.

Smoke Alarm/Smoke Odor: Nov. 3, 2:13 a.m., 641 County Road 2840, Mineola.



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Alba-Golden ends season with big win

By **LARRY TUCKER**
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The Alba-Golden Panthers ended the season with a big 55-35 win over Frankston Friday night. Senior Zane Smith and the Panther defense went out with a bang.

Smith passed for three scores totaling 217 yards through the air and scored one touchdown on a run. The Panthers had 378 yards rushing for an offensive total of 595 yards for the contest.

"I was really happy with the way our kids played. They have been working really hard and it has paid off. We are disappointed we did not make the playoffs, but we are proud of going 5-4 on the year," Head Coach Derek Smith said. "We were just a few points away from being in the playoffs, but that is just how it goes. We had a good year and we have some good kids coming back next year."

Boedie Baker rushed for 114 yards and a touchdown while Jon Michael Chadwick ran for another 101 yards and a pair of scores. The Panthers ended the year at 5-4 and 3-4 in district 10-3A DII just one game behind Winona in the playoff chase. Other teams from the district going to the playoffs are district champion Harmony, Troup and Grand Saline.

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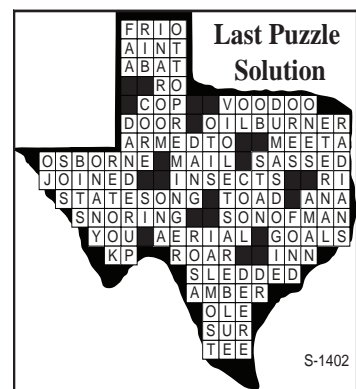
Results from Mineola Country Club Thursday Senior Golf Scramble on November 8, 2018:

FIRST PLACE WITH A SCORE OF 62 (-9) Elroy Doggett, Stoney Burke, Robert Tullis, Fred Scoletti, Joe Knox.

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SECOND PLACE WITH A SCORE OF 64 (-7) Mike Cearly, Gary Milam, Mike Castleman, Larry Leach, Moe Jarvis.

Closest to the pin: #5 Elroy Doggett, #9 Mike Wester, #18 Gary Milam.



Trevion Sneed (23) picks up yardage for Mineola against Winnsboro. Sneed rushed for 1,430 yards and a 7.3 yards per carry average this year. BELOW: Mineola defenders Wylie Franks (20) and River Simonek (1) chase down a Winnsboro runner in Friday's win over the Red Raiders. (Photos courtesy of Gene's Photography/ETimages.us)

Winnsboro challenges Mineola before falling 27-21

No one expected that the final regular season game against the struggling county rival Winnsboro Red Raiders would produce one of the best played contests of the year. In a classic struggle pitting two unique offenses and featuring a handful of key plays, Mineola earned a win against visiting Winnsboro, 27-21, at Meredith Memorial Stadium Friday night. The victory sends the Yellowjackets through to a first round playoff match-up against the undefeated Jefferson Bulldogs, champions of District 7-3A.

Each team leveraged their well-honed strengths in the contest. Mineola, as they have all season, exploited the edges of the opposing defense, while Winnsboro ground out yardage between the tackles with their veer option system. On a cold clear night the well-attended football game provided entertainment from start to finish.

Winnsboro, who tallied 332 yards on the night, took the opening possession on a ten-play drive down to the Mineola 21 yard line. On a 4th and 6, senior Quarterback Preston Byrnes' pass deflected high off the receiver and was fielded by Yellowjacket senior River Simonek, who returned the interception 46 yards to midfield.

Mineola capitalized on the turnover by

Marching 52 yards on six plays with Trevion Sneed taking the ball in for the score from nine yards out. The initial Mineola drive featured a wide receiver screen, a quarterback option and four carries by Sneed.

Sneed made an excellent defensive play on the Red Raiders' next possession, breaking through to stuff a pitch play for a 7-yard loss. Winnsboro could not recover from that first down loss and punted the ball back to the Yellowjackets, who regained possession at their own 37 yard line.

Mineola mixed the play-calling a bit on this drive, changing pace by using a jet sweep with junior Montrell Williams for 20 yards, and a nice 22-yard crossing route completion to take the ball down to the Raider 5 yard line. Sneed then bounced an off-tackle play around right end to the end zone. At the end of the first quarter the score stood Mineola 14 - Winnsboro 0.

The visitors then embarked on a 13-play, 6 minute drive, resulting in a score on a 6 yard carry by quarterback Byrnes. The longest play on the drive was a 10 yard gain on an inside veer option run. A successful point after touchdown made the score 14-7.

Winnsboro's onside kick attempt skidded out of bounds setting Mineola up near the mid-

field stripe. The Yellowjackets responded well to Winnsboro's challenge. The offense moved with urgency and scored on a slicing 11-yard run by Sneed. The sophomore running back produced one of his highlight runs on this drive, carrying for a 14-yard ramble and breaking a number of tackles in the process. A 17-yard strike from senior Shaw Franklin to junior Cole Castleberry was also critical to the effort. With just over 2 minutes left in the half Mineola had extended to lead to 21-7.

Winnsboro drove to the Mineola 41 yard line just before the half, but ran out of time. At the break the hometown crowd was pleased with the Yellowjackets scoring on all three of their possessions. The interception to thwart Winnsboro's opening drive of the night was a key play as was the defensive stand by Mineola in Winnsboro's second possession.

After an exchange of punts to open the second half, Mineola began the drive which fundamentally changed the game. From their own 16 yard line, the Yellowjackets took six minutes off the clock and drove 81 yards down to the Red Raider 4 yard line. Mixing the running of Sneed and Williams with Franklin's 20-yard post route completion to junior Wylie Franks, it appeared that Mineola was on the verge of taking complete control of the contest. On a first down from the 7 yard line, Sneed carried for 3 yards around left end. Williams then picked up a yard off right tackle. A third down pass to the end zone went incomplete setting up a fourth and goal from the 3. Mineola tried Sneed again around left end, but the Winnsboro defense stood up and held him short. The turnover on downs clearly shifted momentum.

With four quarterback option keepers, the Red Raiders moved the ball out to the 25 yard line. On a 1st and 10 and after five straight runs up the middle, Winnsboro took a deep shot. The 75-yard scoring strike from Byrnes to sophomore running back Tayshun Runnels on a go route was perfectly executed and caught the defense by surprise. A failed two point conversion left the score 21 - 13, but the touchdown had changed the complexion of the game.

Winnsboro executed an excellent on-side kick, with junior Elijah Bolton recovering a very high hop of the football. Averaging 4 yards per run attempt, the Red Raiders pounded the ball down to the 1 where quarterback Byrnes carried the ball over the goal line on a left side veer



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Quitman falls to Winona in last game of season

By LARRY TUCKER
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Quitman Bulldogs ended the football season Friday night with a 40-0 loss to playoff-bound Winona. Winona's speed spelled the difference in the game.

With the loss, Quitman ends what began as a promising season winning at Cumby in the first game and breaking a 43 game losing streak. The Bulldogs ended the year on an eight-game losing streak and going winless in district 10-3A D II.

The Bulldogs took the opening kick-off and got good field position with a return to the Quitman 44-yard line. River Chaney took a handoff on the first play going ten yards for a first down in Winona territory. Trey Berry ran two times for 11 yards and another Bulldog first down on the Wildcat 31 yard line. A pair of penalties moved the ball back to mid-field and Quitman gave up the ball on downs.

Winona ran four plays before Quitman's Dylan Coe intercepted a Wildcat pass, returning it 23 yards and Quitman set up at their own 43. Four plays later Quitman had to punt and Winona got a 40-yard return to the Quitman 33 yard line. Five plays later, the Wildcats scored on a 15 yard run by Quindarious Johnson to go ahead 7-0 with 4:44 to go in the first quarter.

The Bulldogs took the kick-off back to their own 33-yard line. Quitman used 10 plays to get the ball into Winona territory where they turned the ball over on downs at the Wildcat 35. Two plays later, Wildcat Dakota Pullum raced 52 yards to the Quitman four yard line where Johnson ran it in again to make it a 14-0 game. Winona scored again with 3:35 left in the half to make it 20-0 at intermission.

The Bulldogs just could not get on track, plagued by untimely penalties.

Winona made it 27-0 just 12 seconds into the second half on a 50 yard run by Johnson. Pullum ran for another Winona score with 9:25 left in the quarter to give the Wildcats a 33-0 advantage. Winona reserves tacked on one more score with 3:46 to go to make it a 40-0 final.

Trey Berry had another 100-yard rushing night and is the first Bulldog in recent memory to eclipse the 1,000 yard rushing plateau. Berry ran for 1,170 yards, had 450 passing yards. Berry will return for his senior year next year.

"Although the season did not go as we had hoped in terms of wins and losses, there was a great deal of improvement. First and foremost, we were able to garner a win and start a new mindset," Head Coach Bryan Oakes said. "We were competitive in most games and unlike the previous year we continued to fight even when a game seemed out of hand. Statistically, we improved in every category and program-wide, we were able to win five games, four coming from our eighth grade. Although we hate the loss of the seniors, we have a stable of players coming back and look forward to the future of Quitman football."

Harmony won the District 10-3A DII championship followed by Troup, Grand Saline and Winona who will represent the district in the state playoffs beginning this week. Harmony (9-1) takes on Bells (4-6). Troup (8-2) will tackle Paris Chisum (4-6) in Sulphur Springs Friday at 7:30 p.m. Winona (6-4) goes against Cooper (8-1) in Mt. Pleasant at 7:30 p.m. and Grand Saline (6-3) will go to Terrell for a Friday night 7:30 p.m. kick-off against Blue Ridge.



Senior Quitman Bulldog defender David Tarno flies in to make a defensive play in Friday's game against Winona. (Photo by Sheree Phillips)



Quitman's Gavin Oakes makes a stop with an unidentified Bulldog defender in Quitman's home final against Winona. (Photo by Sheree Phillips)

Lady Bulldogs go 2-0 in first week

By LARRY TUCKER
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Quitman's Lady Bulldogs got their season rolling with a pair of early season wins. After a 37-33 road win at Boles Tuesday, the Lady Bulldogs came back Saturday to race past Overton 54-32 playing with hustle and determination.

Juniors Shelby Hayes and Maddy Whitehurst sparked the team on both ends of the floor in the win over Overton, but Coach Amanda Hodge's team played with a well-balanced team effort.

Overton got the first bucket on a quick lay-up to lead 2-0, but Quitman tied the game at 2-2 on a pair of Ava Burroughs free throws. The Lady Mustangs knocked down a three point shot and three free throws to take an 8-2 advantage with just over four

minutes left in the quarter.

That's when Whitehurst ripped a pair of triples and a free throw to give Quitman a 9-8 lead with 2:47 to go in the opening period. Quitman led 15-8 after the first quarter. They would get the first two points of the second quarter on a basket by Utopia Henry giving them a 15-0 run and a lead of 17-8.

Quitman went on to take a lead of 31-16 at intermission. A pair of buckets by Henry and a long range trey from Whitehurst put Quitman ahead 38-20 with 4:30 left in the quarter. Hayes hit a three pointer followed by a steal and layup to put Quitman ahead 43-22. Hayes added a jump shot with 1:20 to go in the third stanza giving the Lady Bulldogs a 45-24 lead going into the final eight minutes.

Henry added a pair of



Lady Bulldog Utopia Henry score two points in Quitman's 54-32 win over Overton Saturday evening. LEFT: Quitman's Maddy Whitehurst (30) looks inside to pass as teammate Shelby Hayes (11) waits at the top of the key in Quitman's win over Overton Saturday. (Monitor photos by Larry Tucker)

fourth quarter buckets and Lucy Brannon scored the final three points after grabbing an offensive rebound and putting it back in for two followed by a free throw giving Quitman the final 54-32 win.

Hayes led the scoring parade for Quitman with 13

points while Whitehurst added 12 and eight to lead the Lady Bulldogs on offense.

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CAUSE NO. 13,298 IN THE ESTATE OF JAMES MITCHELL HUNEYCUTT, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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Estate and that Letters of Independent Administration be issued to Terry M. Cummons and Robert Lewis Schwebel as Independent Co-Administrators.
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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION
FOR TPDES PERMIT FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER
MAJOR AMENDMENT

PERMIT NO. WQ0014055001

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Monarch Utilities I L.P., 1620 Grand Avenue Parkway, Suite 140, Pflugerville, Texas 78660, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a major amendment to Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0014055001 to authorize an increase in the discharge of treated domestic wastewater from a daily average flow not to exceed 25,000 gallons per day (gpd) to a daily average flow not to exceed 50,000 gpd. TCEQ received this application on May 24, 2018.

The facility is located approximately 1,400 feet northwest of the Searcy Cemetery and approximately 0.9 mile northeast of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 288 and State Highway 154, in Wood County, Texas 75783. The treated effluent is discharged to Searcy Branch; thence to Lake Fork Reservoir in Segment No. 0512 of the Sabine River Basin. The unclassified receiving water use is minimal aquatic life use for the Searcy Branch. The designated uses for Segment No. 0512 are high aquatic life use, public water supply, and primary contact recreation. In accordance with 30 Texas Administrative Code § 307.5 and the TCEQ implementation procedures (June 2010) for the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards, an antidegradation review of the receiving waters was performed. A Tier 1 antidegradation review has preliminarily determined that existing water quality uses will not be impaired by this permit action. Numerical and narrative criteria to protect existing uses will be maintained. A Tier 2 review has preliminarily determined that no significant degradation of water quality is expected in Lake Fork Reservoir, which has been identified as having high aquatic life use. Existing uses will be maintained and protected. The preliminary determination can be reexamined and may be modified if new information is received. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application.
<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=32.848533&lng=-95.50836&zoom=13&type=r>

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Quitman Public Library, 202 East Goode Street, Quitman, Texas

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify by name and physical address an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material water quality concerns submitted during the comment period.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE. For details about the status of the application, visit the Commissioners' Integrated Database at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid. Search the database using the permit number for this application, which is provided at the top of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Any personal information you submit to the TCEQ will become part of the agency's record; this includes email addresses. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Monarch Utilities I L.P. at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Douglas Hearn, P.E., Consulting Engineer, Hearn Engineering, Inc., at (512) 310-0176.

Comisión De Calidad Ambiental Del Estado De Texas

AVISO DE LA SOLICITUD Y DECISIÓN PRELIMINAR PARA EL
PERMISO DEL SISTEMA DE ELIMINACION DE DESCARGAS DE
CONTAMINANTES DE TEXAS (TPDES) PARA AGUAS RESIDUALES
MUNICIPALES
MODIFICACIÓN

PERMISO NO. WQ 0014055001

SOLICITUD Y DECISIÓN PRELIMINAR. Monarch Utilities I L.P., 1620 Grand Avenue Parkway, Suite 140, Pflugerville, Texas 78660 ha solicitado a la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental del Estado de Texas (TCEQ) por un modificación principal para autorizar un aumento en la descarga de aguas residuales domésticas tratadas de un flujo promedio diario que no exceda los 25,000 galones por día (gpd) a un flujo promedio diario que no exceda los 50,000 gpd. La TCEQ recibió esta solicitud el 24 de mayo de 2018.

La planta está ubicada en aproximadamente 1,400 pies al noroeste del Cementerio Searcy y aproximadamente 0.9 millas al noroeste de la intersección de Farm-to-Market Road 288 y State Highway 154, en Wood County, Texas 75783. Este enlace a un mapa electrónico de la ubicación general del sitio o de la instalación es proporcionado como una cortesía y no es parte de la solicitud o del aviso. Para la ubicación exacta, consulte la solicitud.
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El efluente tratado es descargado al Searcy Branch; de allí Embalse de Lake Fork en el Segmento No. 0512 de la Cuenca del Río Sabine. Los usos no clasificados de las aguas receptoras son limitados usos de la vida acuática para Searcy Branch. Los usos designados para el Segmento No. 0512 son elevados uso de vida acuática, abastecimiento de agua potable, y recreación sin contacto.

De acuerdo con la 30 TAC §307.5 y los procedimientos de implementación de la TCEQ (Enero 2010) para las Normas de Calidad de Aguas Superficiales en Texas, fue realizada una revisión de la antidegradación de las aguas recibidas. Una revisión de antidegradación del Nivel 1 ha determinado preliminarmente que los usos de la calidad del agua existente no serán perjudicados por la acción de este permiso. Se mantendrá un criterio narrativo y numérico para proteger los usos existentes. Una revisión del Nivel 2 ha determinado preliminarmente que no se espera ninguna degradación significativa en Embalse de Lake Fork, el cual se ha identificado que tiene altos usos en la vida acuática. Los usos existentes serán mantenidos y protegidos. La determinación preliminar puede ser reexaminada y puede ser modificada, si se recibe alguna información nueva.

El Director Ejecutivo de la TCEQ ha completado la revisión técnica de la solicitud y ha preparado un borrador del permiso. El borrador del permiso, si es aprobado, establecería las condiciones bajo las cuales la instalación debe operar. El Director Ejecutivo ha tomado una decisión preliminar que si este permiso es emitido, cumple con todos los requisitos normativos y legales. La solicitud del permiso, la decisión preliminar del Director Ejecutivo y el borrador del permiso están disponibles para leer y copiar en Biblioteca pública de Quitman, 202 East Goode Street, Quitman, Texas.

COMENTARIO PUBLICO / REUNION PUBLICA. Usted puede presentar comentarios públicos o pedir una reunión pública sobre esta solicitud. El propósito de una reunión pública es dar la oportunidad de presentar comentarios o hacer preguntas acerca de la solicitud. La TCEQ realiza una reunión pública si el Director Ejecutivo determina que hay un grado de interés público suficiente en la solicitud o si un legislador local lo pide. Una reunión pública no es una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso.

OPORTUNIDAD DE UNA AUDIENCIA ADMINISTRATIVA DE LO CONTENCIOSO. Después del plazo para presentar comentarios públicos, el Director Ejecutivo considerará todos los comentarios apropiados y preparará una respuesta a todo los comentarios públicos esenciales, pertinentes, o significativos. A menos que la solicitud haya sido referida directamente a una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso, la respuesta a los comentarios y la decisión del Director Ejecutivo sobre la solicitud serán enviados por correo a todos los que presentaron un comentario público y a las personas que están en la lista para recibir avisos sobre esta solicitud. Si se reciben comentarios, el aviso también proveerá instrucciones para pedir una reconsideración de la decisión del Director Ejecutivo y para pedir una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso. Una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso es un procedimiento legal similar a un procedimiento legal civil en un tribunal de distrito del estado.

PARA SOLICITAR UNA AUDIENCIA DE CASO IMPUGNADO, USTED DEBE INCLUIR EN SU SOLICITUD LOS SIGUIENTES DATOS: su nombre, dirección, y número de teléfono; el nombre del solicitante y número del permiso; la ubicación y distancia de su propiedad/actividad con respecto a la instalación; una descripción específica de la forma cómo usted sería afectado adversamente por el sitio de una manera no común al público en general; una lista de todas las cuestiones de hecho en disputa que usted presente durante el periodo de comentarios; y la declaración "[Yo/nosotros] solicito/solicitamos una audiencia de caso impugnado". Si presenta la petición para una audiencia de caso impugnado de parte de un grupo o asociación, debe identificar una persona que representa al grupo para recibir correspondencia en el futuro; identificar el nombre y la dirección de un miembro del grupo que sería afectado adversamente por la planta o la actividad propuesta; proveer la información indicada anteriormente con respecto a la ubicación del miembro afectado y su distancia de la planta o actividad propuesta; explicar cómo y porqué el miembro sería afectado; y explicar cómo los intereses que el grupo desea proteger son pertinentes al propósito del grupo.

Después del cierre de todos los periodos de comentarios y de petición que aplican, el Director Ejecutivo enviará la solicitud y cualquier petición para reconsideración o para una audiencia de caso impugnado a los Comisionados de la TCEQ para su consideración durante una reunión programada de la Comisión. La Comisión sólo puede conceder una solicitud de una audiencia de caso impugnado sobre los temas que el solicitante haya presentado en sus comentarios oportunos que no fueron retirados posteriormente. Si se concede una audiencia, el tema de la audiencia estará limitado a cuestiones de hecho en disputa o cuestiones mixtas de hecho y de derecho relacionadas a intereses pertinentes y materiales de calidad del agua que se hayan presentado durante el periodo de comentarios.

ACCIÓN DEL DIRECTOR EJECUTIVO. El Director Ejecutivo puede emitir una aprobación final de la solicitud a menos que exista un pedido antes del plazo de vencimiento de una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso o se ha presentado un pedido de reconsideración. Si un pedido ha llegado antes del plazo de vencimiento de la audiencia o el pedido de reconsideración ha sido presentado, el Director Ejecutivo no emitirá una aprobación final sobre el permiso y enviará la solicitud y el pedido a los Comisionados de la TCEQ para consideración en una reunión programada de la Comisión.

LISTA DE CORREO. Si somete comentarios públicos, un pedido para una audiencia administrativa de lo contencioso o una reconsideración de la decisión del Director Ejecutivo, la Oficina del Secretario Principal enviará por correo los avisos públicos en relación con la solicitud. Además, puede pedir que la TCEQ ponga su nombre en una o más de las listas correos siguientes (1) la lista de correo permanente para recibir los avisos de el solicitante indicado por nombre y número del permiso específico y/o (2) la lista de correo de todas las solicitudes en un condado específico. Si desea que se agregue su nombre en una de las listas designe cual lista(s) y envía por correo su pedido a la Oficina del Secretario Principal de la TCEQ.

Todos los comentarios escritos del público y los pedidos una reunión deben ser presentados durante los 30 días después de la publicación del aviso a la Oficina del Secretario Principal, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or por el internet a www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html. Tenga en cuenta que cualquier información personal que usted proporcione, incluyendo su nombre, número de teléfono, dirección de correo electrónico y dirección física pasarán a formar parte del registro público de la Agencia.

CONTACTOS E INFORMACIÓN DE LA TCEQ. Si necesita más información en Español sobre esta solicitud para un permiso o el proceso del permiso, por favor llame a El Programa de Educación Pública de la TCEQ, sin cobro, al 1-800-687-4040. La información general sobre la TCEQ puede ser encontrada en nuestro sitio de la red: www.tceq.texas.gov

También se puede obtener información adicional del Monarch Utilities I L.P. a la dirección indicada arriba o llamando a Mr. Douglas Hearn, P.E., Consulting Engineer, Hearn Engineering, Inc., al (512)310-0176.

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Jesus said to his disciples, "Things that cause sin will inevitably occur, but woe to the one through whom they occur. It would be better for him if a millstone were put around his neck and he be thrown into the sea than for him to cause one of these little ones to sin. Be on your guard! If your brother sins, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him. And if he wrongs you seven times in one day and returns to you seven times saying, 'I am sorry,' you should forgive him." And the Apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you."

Luke 1:1-6

Obituaries



RANDALL WAYNE REYNOLDS
1975-2018

QUITMAN - Randall "Randy" Wayne Reynolds, 43 of Quitman died Monday, November 5, 2018 at his home.

He was born August 24, 1975, in Denton to David and Rita Reynolds and had lived in Quitman for two and half years, moving from Wash-

ington.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Brandy Mae Reynolds.

Survivors include his parents; sons, Jordan Haeberlin and Jakobie Reynolds of Richland, WA; daughter, Sydonna Reynolds, also of Richland, WA; brother, Michael Reynolds of Quitman; sister, Rikki Reynolds of Quitman and an extended family.

BOBBIE WILCOXSON
1974-2018

MINEOLA - Bobbie Wilcoxson, 44 of Mineola, died Monday, October 29 in Quitman, Texas. She was born October 18, 1974 in Dallas to Bob Thomas and Elizabeth Weaver.



She is survived by her parents; husband, Jay Wilcoxson; sons, Richard and James Wilcoxson; brother, Eldon Thomas and a sister, Shirley Owens.

A memorial service was held Saturday, November 10 at Beaty Funeral Home, Mineola with Christopher McClelland officiating.

Burial followed at Roselawn Memorial Garden in Mineola where a private reception for family and close friends was held at Beaty Funeral in Mineola.

JO ANN HUGHES
1951-2018

Jo Ann Hughes, 67, of Golden died October 31, 2018, in Tyler. She was born July 13, 1951 in St. Louis, Missouri to Joseph and Lorena Mae Nahrstedt.

She was retired from Union Pacific Railroad. She was preceded in death by her mother, Lorna Mae Nahrstedt

Survivors include her husband of 37 years, Billy Lee Hughes of Golden; her father, Joseph Nahrstedt of Pennsylvania; stepdaughter, Jennifer Wigington, Mineola;



stepson, Ernest Hughes of Lindale; two brothers, Bill Nahrstedt of Arnold, Missouri, Steve Nahrstedt of High Ridge, Missouri; four sisters, Peggy Weidman of Steelville, Missouri, Chrissy Sheppard of House Springs, Missouri, Jackie Brown of Cuba, Missouri, Kathy Weidman, Lebanon, Missouri; three step-grandchildren and extended family.

A private family service will be held at a later date.



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QHS celebrates veterans' service to their country

By **ZAK WELLERMAN**
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Quitman High School honored the sacrifices of veterans at the annual Veterans Day ceremony last Friday.

Led by the QHS student council, the event included patriotic performances, expressions of gratitude for veterans' service and a guest speaker.

Mayor David Dobbs proclaimed Nov. 9 through Nov. 11 as "Honor our Veterans" weekend in Quitman.

Dana Hamrick, QHS principal, said students were truly honored to have the veterans be a part

of the ceremony.

Quitman Elementary choir performed "God Bless America" for the ceremony.

Gabe Martin, Navy veteran and preacher at First Baptist Church in Quitman, addressed the crowd, talking about the sacrifices a veteran makes while serving their nation.

He told a story about a humanitarian aid mission, during which he and his crew saved a woman's life in Papua, New Guinea.

He stated that the task took great leadership and meticulous planning executed by each of the service members.

"The mission wouldn't

be successful without the work done by 32 men and women who were away from their families," Martin said.

"We forget to give the recognition. We forget to give the thanks," Martin said. "To a veteran, it's not about a pat on the back. I'll leave you with this: Don't be the generation that expects sacrifices of others. Be the generation that honors the sacrifice of others."

In closing, QISD Superintendent Rhonda Turner thanked the veterans for their service. She expressed gratitude to the student council, school board members and the community.

Cathleen "Pete" Kennard
1921-2018



Funeral service for Mrs. Cathleen "Pete" Kennard of Quitman were held, Saturday, November 10, 2018 at the Lowe Funeral Home Chapel with Revs. Keefe Cropper and Fred Morrow officiating. Burial followed at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Mineola. The family received friends Friday evening at the funeral home. Pete died November 7, 2018 at her daughter's home in Quitman at the age of 97.

Pete was born October 29, 1921 in Quitman to Luther and Flora (Gleaton) Kirbo and lived most of her life in Quitman. She was a homemaker and a member of Liberty United Methodist Church where she served in communion preparation and floral ministries. Pete also enjoyed gardening, served as a volunteer at the nutrition center and was a member of the Eastern Star.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lee Kennard; parents, Luther and Flora Kirbo; daughters, Floy Eiline Harbin and Flora Elizabeth Harbin; sisters Lizzie Belle Stevens Thomas, Josephine Jeffery and Pauline Deuson, son-in-law Jerry Potts and her brother John Kirbo.

Left to cherish Pete's memory are her daughter Neva Potts, Quitman; grandson Jeff Potts, West Virginia; grandchildren Jeremy Potts and wife Emily, Oklahoma City, OK; Randi Anderson, Oklahoma City, OK and Gerald Potts, II, West Virginia, sisters, Iwiana Actley, Houston and Julia Faye Johnson.

Serving as pallbearers were Bobby Kirbo, Michael Smith, Tom Bingham, David Johnson, Donal Johnson and Tommy Atchley. Honorary pallbearers were Gene Deuson, Matthew Smith and Ernie Largent

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Michael J. Fox Parkinson's Foundation, American Cancer Society or Liberty United Methodist Church.

Turnout

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results.

Elections administrator Laura Wise called the voter turnout "huge." She added that there were long lines but they moved quickly.

"I know there was a push by the state candidates," Wise said.

On Nov. 16, canvassing will make the results official, she added.

WINNERS: National Offices

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GOP

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more, and I think our club members have increased, and we're excited about that." The party, she said, is "working hard to become more visible, and we feel there are a lot of Democrats in this area." Some, however, are afraid to admit it, and to get elected, they choose to run as Republicans.

Wood County GOP chairwoman Janna Castloo said people in Wood County are by and large small-government conservatives, and they want leaders who reflect their views. "They feel that's the direction they want to go."

During the 1990s, people here perceived the Democratic Party as moving leftward, "and people did not like that," Castloo said. Then, in the final years of the 1990s, the Republican Women of Wood County was formed, and the organization coaxed a switch of allegiance for a number of longtime Democrats, which "had a huge influence over a lot of our candidates over that time," she noted.

Despite the waves of red splashing over Wood County, Traylor said Democrats continue to press on.

"We as Democrats are making some headway," she said. "We are doing a lot

more, and I think our club members have increased, and we're excited about that." The party, she said, is "working hard to become more visible, and we feel there are a lot of Democrats in this area." Some, however, are afraid to admit it, and to get elected, they choose to run as Republicans.

Although Wood County remains a Republican bastion, Castloo detects changes at the state level.

"In last couple of years, we've had so many people move in that we are seeing more competitiveness in our state-level races," said observed. "I have to give the Democrats credit; they spent over \$100 million in media and advertising in helping candidates. They also had some good ones - veterans, people that really were running good races. As the face of Texas changes, I think we'll see tighter races."

Another factor in future elections will be the abolishment of straight ticket voting starting in 2020.

"I really am happy we're getting that taken off," Castloo stated. "I think that has hurt some of our down-ballot races." She noted that during the previous election "straight ticket voting really played a big role in wiping out conservative judges."

Alba

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have been installed. According to Cheryl Gill, Alba Library volunteer, the libraries were built by the Ag-mech students of Alba-Golden High School with help from the Art Department. Golden Grocery and Deli at the intersection of FM 1799 and FM 779, and the Alba Pay 'N Save are now hosts to Little Free Libraries. Two additional Little Free Libraries will soon be erected in Alba.

Water Department Manager Paul Kelbe reported the impact of the past month's excessive rainfall on the city drainage system. Council Member Marja Heinert ques-

tioned Kelbe if the high rain total had resulted in any unplanned expenditures for the city. Kelbe stated not at this time, but suggested that the high inflow and infiltration totals could result in some action by the state.

Resident Ted Levitt addressed the council during citizen comments. Levitt's comments were directed at the proper enforcement of building codes in Alba and the personal liability incurred by council members who fail to adequately enforce state and local statutes. Levitt stated "if you continue to do as you please, sooner or later you will be sued."

Mayor Sonny Hass convened a full city council at this regularly scheduled meeting.



ABOVE: Local Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts march in support of the nation's veterans during Saturday's Veterans Day Parade in Mineola. (Monitor photo by Hank Murphy).

VETERANS DAY PARADE



RIGHT: Macie Pendergrass, homecoming queen and Golden Sweet Potato Festival queen, waves to the crowd Saturday during the Veterans Day Parade in Mineola. (Monitor photo by Hank Murphy).

BELOW: The Alba-Golden High School Marching Band honored veterans by taking part in the annual Veterans Day Parade on Saturday in Mineola. (Monitor photo by Hank Murphy).



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Jackets

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option keeper. Winnsboro converted the two points on an option pitch to junior Kainer Hart who bowled into the end zone for the tying points of the night.

With 4:49 to play, Winnsboro and Mineola were even. Predictably, the Winnsboro onside kick was forthcoming. The kick failed to go ten yards and was covered by the Yellowjackets at the Winnsboro 49 yard line. Mineola worked the right edge with one Franklin keeper and four carries by Sneed, who finished with 123 yards on 20 carries, advancing the ball down to the

4. A slashing run through the right side by Williams put the Jackets back up by a touchdown. An errant extra point kick left the margin at 6 points with 2:20 to play.

Winnsboro moved the ball out to the Mineola 48 before their effort ran out of gas and time. A 4th and 6 misdirection play failed with only seconds remaining and the Red Raiders turned the ball over on downs, sealing the Mineola win.

Statistically, the game was evenly matched. Mineola totaled 298 yards to Winnsboro's 332, and the teams were also evenly matched in first downs (Mineola 15, Winnsboro 14), penalties (Mineola 3, Winnsboro 6) and turnovers (Mineola 1, Winnsboro 2).

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I was very excited and proud of our kids Friday night for getting the win and locking in our spot in the playoffs. Our district is one of the toughest in the state in class 3A, and our boys have fought hard each week to have this opportunity. We played really well in the first half in all three phases, then had to battle through some adversity there in the fourth quarter. Winnsboro had a lot of momentum at that time and our kids continued to play hard and not become discouraged. We had to be sharp in all three phases to secure the win, starting with the onside kick recovery, then the drive we had to go ahead late, and finally with the defense making a big stop at the end. I was really proud of the poise and perseverance we showed to withstand the storm and find a way to win. This week we will take on Jefferson in the Bi-District round in Pine Tree at 7:30 on Friday night. Mineola will be the home team, so wear your orange and come out to support these kids!



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