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# **Council makes decision on Lynn Theatre sale**

Split 3-2 vote approves bid by Allen-Warzecha as Sucher breaks tie

#### **BY VANDY VAN EPPS**

Gonzales Inquirer

All eyes were on the Gonzales City Council in a packed meeting Thursday, Jan. 19 for the final decision in regards to the ownership of the Lynn Theatre.

Members of the community expressed their concerns about how the GEDC voted in its Dec. 19, 2022 meeting to sell the historic movie theater to the partnership of Sydney Allen and Devon Warzecha from Smiley.

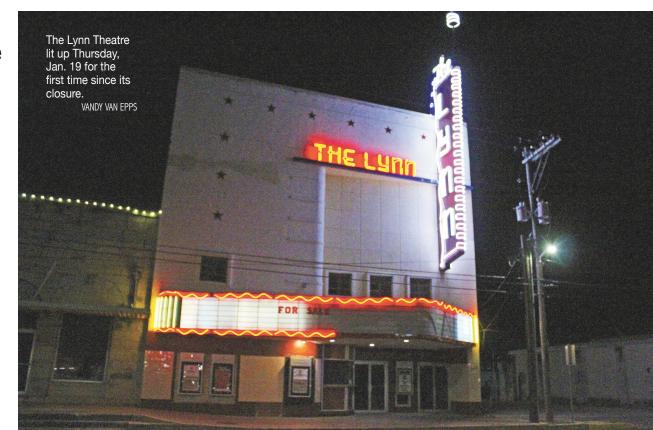
"Economic development, goals and actions are usually rooted in the goal of improving life for those living in our community ... Recently,

there were offers to buy the Lynn Theatre and proposals given to be considered by the GEDC before awarding bids," said Cathey Crawley, a supporter of the bid by the Durham group, comprised of Doug and Dave Durham, Dennis Kaiser, and Susanna Sontani-Telford.

The Durham group and the Allen-Warzecha group were two of three bidders for the Lynn in the Dec. 19 meeting, at which Allen-Warzecha won the bid to purchase the theater.

Crawley stated two of the three parties bidding didn't follow the proto-

See LYNN, page 17



### **GPD** arrests woman following alleged shooting incident

#### **FROM STAFF REPORTS**

A 23-year-old Gonzales woman was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct in connection with an alleged shooting incident that occurred Thursday, Jan. 19, according to a press release by the Gonzales Police Department.

Gonzales police officers responded at about 6:38 p.m. to a call about shots being fired in the 100 block of Saint George Street. A complainant and witness advised that shots were fired by a person driving a black Jeep Cherokee.

An eyewitness in the area positively identified the driver to police

See ARREST, page 18

**CUERO** 

### Officer placed on administrative duties after suspect shooting

#### FROM STAFF REPORTS

A Cuero police officer has been placed on administrative duties until an investigation can be conducted into a shooting which took place Sunday, Jan. 22, in the 400 block of West Hamilton Street.

Officers responded to the area at 4:15 p.m. Sunday in regards to a disturbance with a firearm involved. They quickly located the suspect and a standoff ensued in the middle of the roadway. Police attempted to negotiate with the 44-year-old male suspect — later identified as Patrick

J. Boatwright, 44, of Cuero - and eventually deployed less-thanlethal tactics in an effort to resolve the situation, but the suspect fled the scene on foot.

As he was being pursued by officers, Boatwright reportedly discharged a firearm in the direction of the officers, at which time one of the Cuero Police Department officers discharged his service weapon, striking Boatwright one time.

Already requested to stage nearby, EMS arrived to the scene and began lifesaving pro-

See **SHOOTING**, page 18



# **Smiley appoints Torres** new full-time city marshal

City faces increase in Republic dumpster fees

### **BY CLAYTON KELLEY**

For the Inquirer

The Smiley City Council appointed Jason Torres to be the new Smiley city marshal after a closed

session on Wednesday, Jan. 18, and welcomed Torres to the position. In December, former Smiley City Marshal Lawrence Robles an-

See TORRES, page 17

# **Operation nabs undocumented**

BY LEW K. COHN

Inquirer Publisher

A multi-agency criminal interdiction operation last week in Gonzales County led to 302 traffic

# aliens, 19 people arrested

stops, 19 captures of undocumented aliens, 19 arrests, and seizure of more than \$14,000 in currency, Gonzales County Sheriff Keith

See **OPERATION**, page 17

### **Grants to** help travel industry hit by COVID

BY LEW K. COHN Inquirer Publisher

Beginning Feb. 1, the Texas Economic Development & Tourism Office will open up another round of one-time grants of up to \$20,000 each to local businesses who were negatively impacted by COVID-19.

The Texas Travel Industry Recovery (TTIR) Grant Program was established by Senate Bill 8 and signed into law by Gov. Greg Abbott following the 87th legislative session to administer \$180 million of funds received from the

See TRAVEL, page 18

### Filing period begins for school, city elections

BY LEW K. COHN Inquirer Publisher

The election filing period has begun for those wishing to serve on city councils and school boards in Gonzales County and to run in the Saturday, May 6,

State law allows for a 30day window of opportunity

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# TxDOT to demolish, reconstruct bridge on County Road 447

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The Texas Department of Transportation is expected to start demolition and reconstruction of an existing bridge structure on County Road 447 beginning Feb. 6.

The bridge is located approximately 1.4 miles north of the intersection of County Road 447 and Farm-to-Market Road 1296, northwest of Waelder. SEFBO Pipeline Bridge Inc. of Austin was awarded the contract at a cost of \$195,000.

Construction is expected to

take about four months to complete and all dates are subject to permissible weather and could require adjustment, TxDOT officials said.

CR 447 will be closed at the structure to through traffic, with only local traffic allowed to access

#### LABUHN WINS CONTEST



Gonzales Noon and Breakfast Club's Opportunities for Youth Contest Representative Cooper LaBuhn won the District 2-S5 Outstanding Youth Contest, a \$2,000 scholarship and will advance to the state competition.

# Cuero man charged with aggravated assault in stabbing

#### FROM STAFF REPORTS

A Cuero man remains in jail following his arrest for allegedly stabbing another man Sunday, Jan. 22.

Cuero Police responded to a reported stabbing in the 300 block of West French Street at about 2:15 p.m. Sunday. When officers arrives on scene, they found a 28-year-old male victim who had been stabbed during a physical altercation inside a residence.

The victim was treated on scene by Cuero Regional Hospital EMS and then transported to the airport and then via helicopter to a San Antonio hospital for further treatment. He was listed as stable at the time of transport.

Juan Gabriel Miranda-Escobar, 38, of Cuero, was then taken into custody at the scene without incident and transported to the DeWitt County Jail on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

### Main Street Round Table slated for Jan. 30

**VOICE OF DEMOCRACY WINNER** 

#### **STAFF REPORT**

The Gonzales Main Street board will host its Main Street Round Table Monday, Jan. 30 at Mi Lupita's Restaurant, 613 St Joseph St., Gonzales.

of Democracy contest.

Learn more about the Main Street organization while connecting, learning, and sharing knowledge with other Main Street businesses.

The event starts at 1 p.m. and ends at 3 p.m.



Using her words on the topic, "My Pledge to Our Veterans," Gonzales Junior High School sixth grader Brinklee Marrow wowed the judges and won top honors in the VFW Patriot's Pen essay contest.

### Military signing day

#### FROM STAFF REPORTS

Gonzales High School will celebrate Military Signing Day for students Diego Ovalle, Jonathan Weare, Marrissa Trice, Miguel Ramos Romero, Raphael Ferch and Rylan McGehee on Feb. 1.

The event will take place from 9:30 a.m. to 10:05 a.m. at the GHS Competition Gym, 1801 N. Sarah

If you have any questions, please email Julie. Burek@gonzalesisd.net.

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#### **Birthdays**

January 26th

Debbie Bickle Beth Brasher **Emily Eckols** Bubba Ehrig

Steve Faulkner Regina Mills Justin Schwausch Rylan Tieken

January 27th Nora Camarillo

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January 28th Bryan Glass Christina Jahns

January 29th Carol Staton Payne

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January 30th

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January 31st Scottie Beth Baker

Bryan Condel Lauren Ekrut Abel Garcia Jack Gindler Alfred (Bubba) Hermann Terry Etheridge

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#### POLICE VISIT CAMPUSES



Members of the Nixon Police Department, Gonzales County Constable Precinct 4, Smiley Marshal's Office, Department of Emergency Management Region 6, Gonzales County Sheriff's Office and Department of Public Safety visited the Nixon campuses on Tuesday, Jan. 24, to familiarize themselves with building layouts in case of emergency. In February, they will visit the Smiley campuses.

## Victoria woman killed in accident north of Cuero

#### FROM STAFF REPORTS

A Victoria woman died Saturday, Jan. 21, after her vehicle was struck head-on by a tractortrailer on U.S. 183 just north of Cuero, Texas Department of Public Safety officials said.

Laura Yvette Rivera, 38, of Victoria, was traveling north in a 2019 Kia Sorento on U.S. 183 about 1.3 miles north of Cuero at about 6:35 a.m. Saturday.

A southbound 2022 Kenworth semi towing a 2021 trailer, driven by Reginald Duntae Cobb Sr., 43, of Red Oak, apparently drifted into Rivera's lane for unknown reasons and struck her SUV, said DPS

Sgt. Ruben San Miguel.

The two vehicles left the roadway and went onto the embankment on the east side of the highway. The Sorento rolled over and came to rest on the embankment on its top. The truck jackknifed and came to a rest at the bottom of the embankment, right side up, San Miguel said.

Rivera was pronounced dead at the scene of the crash at 7:10 a.m. by **DeWitt County Precinct 1** Justice of the Peace Peggy Mayer. Cobb was treated at the scene and released without serious injury, San Miguel said.

The cause of the crash remains under investigation as of Tuesday, Jan. 24

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### **Gonzales Weather**



**January 26** 64°/38°

Plenty of sunshine 10% chance of rain ● RealFeel 68



**January 27** 59°/44°

Partial sunshine 0% chance of rain • RealFeel 58



**January 28** 61°/48°

Mostly cloudy



**January 29** 66°/48°

25% chance of rain ● RealFeel 57



Cloudy with showers around 71% chance of rain ● RealFeel 66



63°/41°

**January 30** 

Cloudy with showers around 80% chance of rain ● RealFeel 61



**January 31** 59°/45°

Still cloudy 12% chance of rain • RealFeel 59



February 1 55°/43°

Cloudy most of the time

25% chance of rain ● RealFeel 50



"Why is the Veteran Important?" Everyone has their opinions,

and Darion Matehuala, a 12th grade student at Gonzales High

School, voiced his in his award-winning essay in the VFW Voice



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# Shade trees, peaches and freeze recovery

Q. I notice that you include Mexican sycamore on your list of recommended shade trees. My neighbors have Mexican sycamore and I hate them! Why would anyone want a tree that produces so many large leaves and has a garish colored trunk and branches? They also out grow

every other tree in the **CALVIN** neighbor-**FINCH** hood so Gardening we end Q&A up being dominated

sycamore. A. As I suspect you know based on the fact that your neighbors plant them, many gardeners and homeowners like the characteristics of Mexican sycamore. In addition to being showy the species is drought and pest resistant.

by Mexican

Q. What is the peach variety that you and Dr. Parsons describe on

your radio show as having the spectacular blooms? Is it true that it also produces high quality fruit?

January 28th-29th - TYRA

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A. I believe the selection that you are mentioning is the "Red Baron". Its blooms are truly magnificent. Dr Parsons has mention production of a worthwhile

fruit but none of the "Red Barons" that I have grown through the years has ever borne

any fruit that I can remember!

Q. We are heartbroken because the poppies and larkspur that had germinated in our vacant field all were killed back by the Christmas week freeze. Is there any chance that some of the reserve seed spread in the soil will still bloom?

A. It rained last week, so maybe some



of the reserve seed will germinate, but they can be unpredictable. It is hard to believe that larkspurs won't find their way to germinate and bloom even if most of the early plants were killed.

Q. When should I freeze back the freeze killed esperanza stems? They look like they froze to the ground.

A. There are several advantages to leaving the dead stems in place as long as possible so be patient.

The dead stems provide some insulation to protect new growth and root base from additional freeze damage. The dead stems are also valuable cover for our resident and migrating birds plus they provide a place for them to hunt for seeds and insects.

It is advisable to cut the killed stems back at ground level when the new stems emerge.

#### Q. Is it worthwhile to replant broccoli now?

A. Yes, broccoli transplants placed in the garden now usually do a good job of producing a



GARDENING CALENDAR

Some rain is forecast for the end of January but gardeners are still facing dry soil unless we receive several one inch plus rains and get back on the normal average. We get some opportunity to plant and support a few more winter vegetables but by mid March we will be back planting warm weather vegetables such as tomatoes, green beans, and squash.

Most years we are able to plant a last crop of broccoli in early February along with more carrots, beets, radishes, lettuce, Swiss chard, kale, and English peas. Lots of veggies were flattened by the Christmas week freezes including cauliflower, but you probably still have onions, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, collards, rutabagas, turnips, and carrots growing towards maturity.

If you have wildflowers planted the blue curl and rain lilies, are probably doing well along with any bluebonnets you have been able to water but between the Christmas freezes and dry soil old reliables like larkspur and poppies have not prospered. It is hard to believe that they won't eventually germinate and just have a late crop but it remains to be seen.

In the flower garden the snapdragons are performing as we expect. The stems and new foliage are emerging from the freeze killed foliage. I expect they will be blooming again by the end of this month and be decorative until Easter. Unfortunately, the stocks at both the garden and wholesale production level seem to be nonexistent. Rely on pansies, dianthus, and

violas in the sunny part of the garden to continue blooming. Retail nurseries also seem to have good supplies of them plus alyssum.

There is still time to produce a crop of sweet peas if you get the seed in early in February. In the shade the cyclamen were also killed in the freeze but the primula fared well. You may have some that survived the freeze but if not, the retail nurseries seem to have a good supply blooming now with expectations to last until May.

Many San Antonio area lawns are very confused. Some of the best looking lawns are lush green from a growth of winter weeds such as rescue grass or annual blue grass. If the grassy weeds are growing in your flower garden or shrub border you have the option of applying a contact herbicide such as Grass-be-Gone or Poast but one of the best options is to just keep it mowed.

If the weed in the lawn is a broadleaf plant like bedstraw or chickweed you can apply a contact herbicide for broadleaf's such as Weed Free -Zone. Take the time to determine which weeds you have and check that against the label identifying the targeted weeds of the various contact

It is a good time to plant shade trees as long as you recognize how dry the soil is and water them generously. To help you select a good tree variety and to receive a rebate if you are a CPS customer, visit their Shade Tree Rebate Website.



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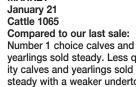
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MARKET

yearlings sold steady. Less quality calves and yearlings sold steady with a weaker undertone. Packer cows & bulls sold 1.00-3.00 higher. Stocker-feeder Steers: Medium

and large-frame No. 1: 150-300 lbs., 245-265; 300-400 lbs., 218-235; 400-500 lbs., 197-215; 500-600 lbs., 183-190; 600-700 lbs. 165-175; 700-800 lbs, 151-163. Bull Yearlings: 700-900 lbs., 80-95.

Stocker-feeder Heifers: Medium and large from No. 1: 150-300 lbs., 215-220; 300-400 lbs., 207-210: 400-500 lbs., 171-195: 500-600 lbs., 155-168; 600-700 lbs., 145-150.

Packer Cows: Good lean utility and commercial, 56-73; Cutters, 78-84; Canners, 28-48; High yielding fat cows, 75-78.

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Packer Bulls: Yield grade 1 & 2. good heavy bulls, 98-113; Light weights and medium quality bulls, 85-94.

Stockers Cows: \$750 to \$1,150. Pairs: \$850 to \$1,900.

HALLETTSVILLE LIVESTOCK COMMISSION CO., INC. Sale date: January 17 Cattle on hand: 2199 **Packer Cows:** 

Canner and Cutter Cows: \$56-84 Utility & Fat Cows: \$54-82 Low dressing canner cows: \$34-Poor/Weak: \$15-35

Packer Bulls: Heavyweight Bulls: \$101-108 Utility & Cutter Bulls: \$90-101 Lightweight Canner Bulls: \$72-88 Stocker Cows:

Good Stocker/Cows & Heifers: NONE

Medium Stocker Cows & Heifers: NONE Good Cow & Calf Pairs: NONE Medium Cow & Calf Pairs: 2 pair \$1025-1275

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500-600 lbs.: \$165-200 600-700 lbs.: \$155-190 700-800 lbs.: \$148-165 Number 1 heifer calves: Under 200 lbs: \$155-230 200-300 lbs.: \$152-220

300-400 lbs.: \$155-215 400-500 lbs.: \$150-205 500-600 lbs.: \$145-177.50 600-700 lbs.: \$140-165 700-800 lbs: \$130-155

Replacement Heifers: 350-750 lbs.: NONE The calf market was a little lower this week. Heavier weights sold mostly steady to \$3 lower. due to grazing country getting

Lighter weights a little harder hit dry again. Average of all calves sold was \$3 lower than last week. Packer cows & bulls sold steady/\$1 lower on a total supply of 275 yead.

#### SEGUIN CATTLE CO. January 18

Market very active. Socker cattle 5-10 softer with packer cows and bulls 2-5 softer. Cattle - 897 Sheep & goats - 621

Medium & large frame #1 Steers:

200-300 lb. 1.35-2.44 300-400 lb. 1.70-2.45 400-500 lb. 1.56-2.11 500-600 lb. 1.47-2.04 600-700 lb. 1.42-1.75

700-850 lb. 1.22-1.43 Medium & large frame #1 Heifers: 200-300 lb. 1.29-1.82

300-400 lb. 1.43-2.02 400-500 lb. 1.49-2.00 500-600 lb. 1.36-1.90 600-750 lb. 1.40-1.56

Cows: Utility & commercial - 66-82 Cutters - 48-65 Canners - 35-47

Palpated cows (young) - 800-(Middle Aged) - 650-935

Cow/Calf Pairs - NONE **Bulls:** 

Heavy High Yielding – 90-100 Light & Low Yielding – 68-90 Feeder Bulls - None Sheep & Goats: Nannies (Young) - 135-305 (Thin & Old) - 80-130 Kid Goats (Fat) - 2.30-2.80 (Small & thin) - 1.40-2.25

Wethers -1.90-3.00

There were 302 cows and 31 bulls. A large run of cows and bulls sold to mostly higher market. Tops on packer cows was up \$6/cwt from last week while the bulls were essentially unchanged. Demand remains very strong. The calf market was consistent with last week's big rise despite averaging about \$6/cwt less. The overall quality in calves this week was not as high as last

Billies - 1.15-2.10

Barb. Ewes (Young) - 130-190

Barb. Lambs (Fat) - 2.20-2.80

**CUERO LIVESTOCK MARKET** 

(Small & Old Ewes) - 65-125

(Small & Thin) - 1.80-2.10

Wooled Bucks - 1.00-1.20

Wooled Ewes - NONE

Barb. Bucks - 250-940

Number of head 2,133

Lambs - 1.45-1.65

January 20, 2023

Pairs - None

Demand was very strong across the board. Packer bulls: 85.00-110.00 Packer cows: 60.00-86.00 canners & cutters

week. Several new top highs

were made in all classes.

15.00-47.00 poor & weak Palpated: 15 bred 85.00-117.00 PAIRS: NONE Steer Calves: (AVG-HIGH) Under 200 lbs. NONÉ 200-249 lbs. 197.00-256.00 250-299 lbs. 178.00-234.00 300-350 lbs. 188.00-248.00 350-400 lbs. 199.00-236.00 400-450 lbs. 181.00-224.00 450-500 lbs. 175.00-230.00 500-550 lbs. 172.00-206.00 550-600 lbs. 162.00-195.00

600-700 lbs. 155.00-192.00 700-800 lbs. 143.00-159.00 **Bull Calves:** (AVG-HIGH) Under 250lbs 153.00-272.50 250-300 lbs. 168.00-266.00 300-350 lbs. 187.00-240.00 177.00-234.00

350-400 lbs. 400-450 lbs. 178.00-230.00 450-500 lbs. 169.00-210.00 500-550 lbs. 165.00-200.00 550-600 lbs. 159.00-192.00 600-700 lbs 149.00-176.00 Over 700 lbs. **Heifer Calves:** under 200 lbs.

127.00-164.00 (AVG-HIGH) 118.00-150.00 200-250 lbs. 183.00-244.00 300-350 lbs. 160.00-240.00 350-400 lbs. 400-450 lbs. 450-500 lbs.

169.00-234.00 164.00-214.00 156.00-200.00 500-550 lbs 151.00-190.00 550-600 lbs. 150.00-174.00 600-700 lbs. 145.00-161.00 Over 700 lbs 129.00-158.00

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Dear American patriot, As we look at our nation today, it is impossible to avoid seeing the evident corruption, crime, and economic problems assailing our country.

Society seems to be falling apart around us, leaving us wondering what we can do about it. An often heard complaint is, "I'm only one person, what can I do about it?" A group of patriots nationwide are offering some answers to that question. In a course called "Biblical Citizenship," they are showing how Christians of every race can work together to turn our country from the destructive path she is now on. The classes, with open discussion of the ideas presented afterwards, are being shown every Monday night at the Alcalde Hotel, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The classes are filled with spiritual and historic truths that show our Constitutional rights and how to stand up for them.

If you are a true patriot and love our country, you will enjoy these classes. They are informative, encouraging and practical. I strongly encourage every Christian to join those who have already discovered how good these classes are.

If you aren't able to join us Monday evenings at the Alcalde, you can watch them online. There is no charge for the classes, and they are well worth the time you spend watching them. To get the classes online, stop by the Alcalde and get the address.

I sincerely hope many of you will accept my invitation to join us in standing up for America.

Sincerely, **Lynn Wilson** 

### U.S. BILL OF RIGHTS

The following text is a transcription of the enrolled original of the Joint Resolution of Congress proposing the Bill of Rights, which is on permanent display in the Rotunda at the National Archives Museum. The spelling and punctuation reflects the original.

#### Amendment I

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition

the Government for a redress of grievances.

A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Amendment III No Soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house, without the consent of the Owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be

#### prescribed by law. Amendment IV

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

#### Amendment V

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offence to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

#### Amendment VI

In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the State and district wherein the crime shall have been committed. which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the Assistance of Counsel for his defence.

#### Amendment VII

In Suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury, shall be otherwise re-examined in any Court of the United States, than according to the rules of the common law.

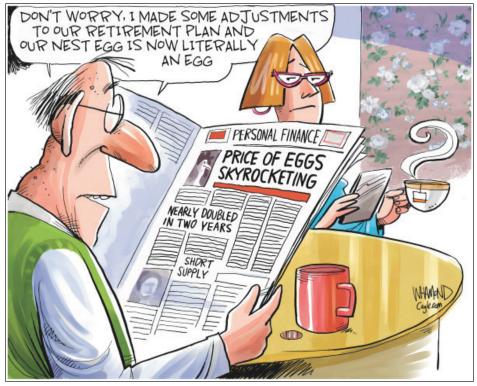
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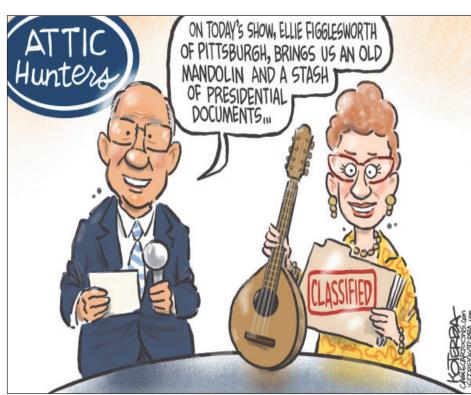
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#### Amendment IX

The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

Amendment X The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.





#### **Letters to the Editor Policy**

It is the policy of The Inquirer to encourage reader participation on its Opinion page. Diverse and varied opinions are welcomed. Because of space limitations, we must limit all contributors to one letter per person per month. Letters of 400 words or less will be published unless they contain language or content that the editors feel is inappropriate.

Letters must either be about Gonzales County, from a resident of Gonzales County, or in response to a story that appears in print or online in The Inquirer.

Examples of content that will cause letters

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- "Thank You" letters that go beyond general thanks to the community; attempt to serve as an advertisement for a company, individual or political party; or is submitted in lieu of a paid "Thank You" advertisement.

During periods ahead of an election, The Inquirer does not accept letters to the editor urging voters to vote for or against candidates in local elections. Endorsements should be displayed in political advertising. In light of

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The Inquirer will not knowingly publish factually incorrect information.

Only letters written exclusively to the newspaper will be published. Letters to a third party or those written to more than one newspaper are not accepted. "Wallpaper" submissions that are in large part copied-andpasted from another author or organization - will not be published.

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DR. DON **NEWBURY** The Idle American

# A man who found his way

e didn't see it as a turning point at the time — this budding vocal artist who was belting out country songs at the Burger Box in Arlington.

Craig Murphy, then age 40, might have been flipping burgers instead,



Murphy

trying to find a road that led somewhere instead of dead-end trails he'd followed for a couple of decades. He'd studied with

diligence, applied himself and earned certifications in several fields, including auto mechanics, truck

suits lost their luster .... A few years earlier, worshipers at his small church near his home in Fort Worth — mostly senior adults — loved his singing. Modest then as he is now, Craig decided to embark on a musical

driving, law enforcement and radio

broadcasting. However, all these pur-

career, despite being introverted and "with limited talent." He soon found happiness in singing, even though it required his lugging a makeshift sound system, microphone and background CDs, initially limited to burger places. There, he earned a

few dollars and received modest tips. With CDs providing background music for a couple of thousand songs, he had most of the lyrics memorized. It came easy, since he had listened to country music driving 18-wheelers on trips — mostly at night — from New York to California. (A trucking school graduate, he soon learned that longhaul driving was not for him.) ...

Through luck or fate, the late Mrs. Johnny High heard Craig singing at a burger place, and immediately invited him to sing at the Johnny High Country Music Revue, a weekly show her late husband founded in 1974 and a

Metroplex staple for four decades. He was awestruck at the prospect. He quickly accepted, feeling fulfillment on the Arlington stage. Soon, he was invited to sing for residents at Arlington Villa Health and Rehab.

That was a dozen years ago. At 40, he was energized, thankful for what he felt to be "a new life." Thanks to encouragement from Mrs. High-who died at age 91 a few months ago — he was "singing outside the (Burger) box."...

He had discovered his talent, as well as his audiences. He feels utmost delight in singing for residents of care centers, and the feeling is mutual.

They love him back.

Since then, he has sung at about 100 centers in Tarrant, Dallas and adjoining counties, often with three shows daily, monthly at most facilities.

He has performed more than 6,000 times, calling many of his admirers by name as he moves among his fans, shaking hands and wishing them well, always with a disarming smile....

Even COVID couldn't dissuade Craig from his mission, his "call from God." It knocked a hole in his scheduling, though. He felt almost as idle as his 1991 Chevrolet pick-up that he'd bought new and finally warehoused about the time COVID hit. (Most of the odometer's 300,000 miles were registered as Craig drove to and from entertainment venues.)

Still, Craig averaged 200 dates annually - in 2020 and 2021 - instead of 600, spending free time with a lawn service and putting his auto mechanic skills to work.

Now, he's back, never busier and never happier....

Most all the care centers have retained him, and happily so. Some residents ask friends and relatives to visit "the nights Craig sings."

They have their favorites, of course, and one is his original composition, "Anytime," recorded in Nashville. He sang it on television's "Penny Gilley Show," and it also is played regularly on radio. Its lyrics contend that any time is a good time for prayer....

Dr. Newbury was a long-time university president who continues to write weekly and speak regularly throughout Texas. Contact: Phone, 817-447-3872. Email: newbury@speakerdoc. com. Facebook: Don

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### What Happenedan

One event makes something else happen. That's cause and effect!

News articles tell about the cause and the effect of things that happen. News articles report on something that happened and explain why. The headline tells what happened — or the effect. The article gives more details

and tells why it happened — or the cause. A good headline sparks your curiosity and makes you want to read the article to learn more.

### **Discovering** Cause and **Effect**

these questions.

WHAT happened? This is the EFFECT.

Read this silly article to answer How many differences can you find between these two dragons?

WHY did it happen? This is the CAUSE.

Think about something that happened at your school this week. What was the CAUSE and EFFECT? CAUSE: \_

**Scrambled Story** 

show the correct order.

EFFECT:

### **Dragon Burp Burns Ball**

surprise in the people watching last night's basketball game between the Southside Scorchers and the Eastside Embers at Flaming Torch High School.

"I ate a burrito just before the game," said Karly. "I overdid it with the hot sauce I

The burrito caused stomach gas to form in the belly of the star forward for the Eastside Embers. Just as she caught the

The burp caused a burst of flame to shoot out of her mouth, burning the basketball

"Karly took it well. She took a big breath and got right back in the game, shooting a three-pointer with a new ball moments

"But from now on," said Coalsworth, "our players will be sticking with orange slices

### **Kid Scoop Together**

### **Cause and Effect** Matchun

Work with a family members to draw lines to connect each CAUSE with its EFFECT.

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Birds splashed and chirped happily.

the bus.

dream. **I** missed

I read a

spooky

story last night.

Haughed

and told it to my friends.

I filled the bird bath with fresh water.

> **I** studied each night before the big test.

melted.

### BLAZETON - Karly Kindling sparked

added. The burrito caused my stomach to be a bit upset when I started the game."

ball from a teammate, she burped.

to a crisp.

later," said coach Coalsworth.

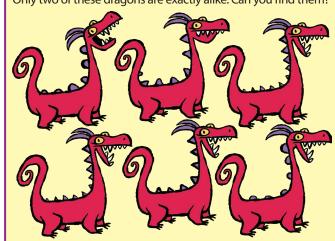
and ice water before a game!"

The cause of something happens before the effect. Look at a photograph in the newspaper. Try to imagine what happened before the picture was taken. Why do you think that? Standards Link: Identify cause and effect using visual cues.

# 😕 Puzzlei

**Dragon Doubles** Only two of these dragons are exactly alike. Can you find them?

Look at the pictures below. They tell a silly story of cause and effect. But they are out of order. Number the pictures to



#### Double *N*ord Search

BASKETBALL **BURP** 

**CAUSE DETAILS DRAGON EFFECT EMBERS FLAMES HAPPEN NEWS ORDER READ** 

**THINK** 

WATER

WHY

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

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**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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### Cooking with Parind

### Light poached chicken dish brings sweet and spice, so nice!

Hello everyone. Happy New Year. My name is Parind Vora. In this column we talk cooking, tricks to cooking, and sometimes eating.

We are just getting the old hot/cold treatment from mother nature, so right now it's just cool, but at least it's not miserable, yet. Also, I'm still bound by my New Year's resolution to eat healthier so, I'm contemplating a light poached chicken dish that has a little spice, sweetness, as well as some refreshing acidity.

It's perfect for when you ask Mother nature what's wrong and she says 'nothing'!

The poached chicken breast we're preparing is served with a fresh burrata mozzarella cheese and garden tomatoes that are dried in the oven. The chicken breast is very lean protein, so we recommend serving not overcooking it. It should have a slight rosy hue, to preserve the flavour and juiciness of the



#### **Poached chicken breast with burrata cheese** and dried garden tomatoes

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

2 organic or farmed skinless, boneless chicken breasts

2 garden tomatoes, stemmed, cored and sliced 1/4 inch thick

1 well washed whole leek stalks cut in 1/2 and then thinly sliced crosswise.

3 parsley stems with leaves 1 small serrano pepper stemmed, seeded, and thinly

2 red bell peppers, seeded, and finely diced

Juice of 1 fresh lime (~ 1 tablespoon)

4-5 fresh California laurel or

1 tablespoon brown sugar 1-2 'ball's of burrata cheese

(available in fancy food stores) 1/3 cup fruity olive oil (any Greek & Spanish work the best)

1/6 cup unfiltered apple cider ½ cup of a dry, fruity white

wine like pinot grigio or sauvi-

gnon blanc Salt & pepper to taste

In a pot add all the vegetables, spices (sugar, salt, pepper) and laurel leaves with the olive oil, and sauté in a large

pot over medium low heat. Add the chicken breast and thoroughly coat them in the sauteed mixture, cover, and marinate for at least 6 hours in the refrigerator.

In a separate parchment paper lined sheet pan (or cookie sheet), add the sliced tomatoes, season liberally with salt and drizzle with olive oil. Bake in a 150–175-degree oven for 3-6 hours (depending on the oven) until the tomatoes are slightly shriveled but not leathery. If they are overcooked just add the juiced in the sheet pan to them and let rest in a bowl. Add the white wine to the

marinating chicken breast and vegetables and add everything to a pot big enough to hold everything and has an additional 4 inches of depth. Add water if needed to cover everything by 2 inches. Bring to a simmer and let poach until the chickens are cooked to desired

Drain everything into a big bowl using a colander. Put the reserved liquid in a pot and add 1/4 of the dried tomatoes and any liquid in the sheet pan. Reduce over medium

heat by 70% until slightly syrupy. Add the apple cider vinegar. Set aside and keep warm.

Slice the poached chicken breasts 1/2 inch thick and salt and pepper them. Toss the sliced breast with the rest of the poached veggies and the rest of the dried tomatoes. Taste and re-season if needed.

Serve this dish "family style" on a platter. Hand tear the burrata cheese and top the chicken, vegetable and tomato dish. Salt the cut burrata pieces. Scalloped potatoes pair nicely with this dish, or keep it light and serve "as is".

I would serve for the red wine the Val di Suga, Rosso di Montalcino and for the white an off dry Fuedo Montori 'Vigna della Timpa' Grill Sicilia. Both of these Italians work with the dish in very interesting ways.

Also, look out for the Cooking with Parind TV show. It will be coming soon on your favourite streaming network and the Eat This TV channel. We are shooting the episodes this week at the Bistro.

# Kolkhorst again named Senate Health, Human Services chair

#### **SPECIAL TO THE INQUIRER**

Lieutenant Gov. Dan Patrick reappointed Sen. Lois W. Kolkhorst (R-Brenham) to be chair of the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services for the 88th Legislature, along with four other major committee assignments.

Patrick also named Kolkhorst as a member of the Senate Committees on Business & Commerce, Finance, Natural Resources & Economic Development and Water, Agriculture & Rural Affairs.

"I'm grateful to the Lieutenant Governor for his trust in giving me the opportunity to serve as Chair of Senate Health & **Human Services Commit**tee, continuing important work to improve the state's healthcare, mental health delivery system and child protective services," Kolkhorst said. "We must also work together to strike a balance between our public health priorities, civil liberties, and economic freedoms."

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services is one of the most influential Senate committees, managing nearly \$85 billion of healthcare spending in the state budget.

The committee is also responsible for setting public health policy for the state, regulating physicians and other healthcare professionals, providing legislative oversight to state agencies and boards including the Health & **Human Services Commis**sion, Department of Family & Protective Services and the Texas Medical Board, among many other healthrelated licensing agencies.

Renamed to the Senate Finance Committee, Kolkhorst said her focus will ensure Texas remains true to a fiscally conserva-

I am extremely honored to work on these important committees that will impact everything from major healthcare policies to ensuring future thermal energy for a growing Texas as well as access to water along with overall tax policy."

-Sen. Lois W. Kolkhorst

tive approach to budgeting, making certain the \$32.7 billion surplus is used wisely to lower taxes, pay down state debts, fully fund and improve the education of our children and make prudent investments which will save taxpayer money in the long term.

The Business & Commerce committee will face the important work of strengthening the state's power grid. Kolkhorst said she will support legislation to increase thermal dispatchable generation to improve reliability.

Having served on Water, Agriculture and Rural Affairs for four previous sessions, Kolkhorst will continue her work on water policy for Senate District 18, ensuring access to water and protecting agriculture.

"I am extremely honored to work on these important committees that will impact everything from major healthcare policies to ensuring future thermal energy for a growing Texas as well as access to water along with overall tax policy," said Kolkhorst. "Serving on each of these committees has direct and significant impacts to the people of Senate District 18 and all Texans."

## LCRA to build new peaker power plant in Central Texas

#### **SPECIAL TO THE INQUIRER**

The Lower Colorado River Authority on Tuesday, Jan. 24, announced it will build a new peaker power plant in Central Texas to provide an additional 190 megawatts of dispatchable power to the Texas power grid.

The plant is expected to be operational in 2025. A peaker plant is one that typically is used for brief periods during times when the demand for power approaches or surpasses the amount of power available.

As dispatchable power, the plant will be available to grid operators to call upon when renewable and other thermal generation are not sufficient to meet the state's demand for electricity. The new LCRA plant will be able to ramp up and shut down in minutes.

Clara Tuma, a spokesperson for LCRA, said the authority expects to finalize the location for the new plant in the coming weeks.

'With this new plant, LCRA continues its commitment to provide reliable, cost-effective power to its customers and the Texas power grid," said Timothy Timmerman, chair of the LCRA Board of Directors. "The new

plant will provide power during peak use times to support the Texas electric grid and provide homes, businesses and industries with power."

As a statewide leader in public power generation, LCRA applauds the Public Utility Commission of Texas and the Texas Legislature in their efforts to increase the supply

of electricity available to Texans and to promote the wholesale market signals necessary to make an investment like this possible. Regulatory certainty is important for LCRA and others to commit to invest in new dispatchable power generation.

"Texas needs more dispatchable thermal power generation that can be available quickly, depending on market conditions and demand," said Phil Wilson, LCRA general manager. "As our state faces the challenge of bringing more power to a growing population, I am proud that LCRA is continuing its legacy of providing vital services to Texans."

The new plant will

include 10 high-efficiency Wärtsilä reciprocating engines. Each engine can provide about 19 megawatts of power. (One megawatt can power about 200 homes during periods of peak demand, according to ERCOT.)

"The demand for power in Texas is increasing as more people and businesses call Texas home,

and we're pleased to be able to help support the Texas power grid and help meet the growing demand for electricity with this new plant," Wilson said.

The new plant will be LCRA's second peaker plant. The first is a 184-megawatt natural gas-fired facility in Fayette County that was built in 2010.



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# Woman's Study Club meets, elects officers

#### **SPECIAL TO THE INQUIRER**

The Woman's Study Club met on Wednesday, Jan. 11 at 4 p.m. at the home of Kris Crawford. Members were greeted with a beautifully decorated table filled with an array of delicious snacks

and a variety of beverages. Seventeen members were present.

Vice President Noell Ince led the meeting which consisted of the usual business matters and committee reports. The nominating committee reported its proposals for officers for next

year. The following were nominated and elected: President Noell Ince; Vice-President Judy Swords; Secretary Nanette Monahan; Treasurer Mary Rummage. Committee assignments for the coming year were also

The group then brainstormed possible meeting sites and programs for the coming year. After these discussions, the business meeting was adjourned, and the group enjoyed the delicious refreshments while visiting.

### Victoria College announces Fall Dean's List

#### **SPECIAL TO THE INQUIRER**

Victoria College has recognized the outstanding academic performance of 128 students by naming them to the Fall 2022

To qualify for the Dean's List, students must earn at least a 3.5 grade point average over a minimum of 12 academic credit hours within the semester and must not have any unsatisfactory grades in any classes.

Students named to Victoria College's Fall 2022 Dean's List, grouped by their

hometowns, are:

- Cuero: Ashlie Bessette, Ginny Landgraf, Abrie North
- Gonzales: Ramona Reyna, Catherine
- Hallettsville: Katelyn Ellis, Bowen
- Higgins, Cameron Rice, Bailey Schindler
  - Leesville: Sebastian Medoza
  - Luling: Joy Johnson
  - Nixon: Oscar Galicia, Alfredo Valerio
- Shiner: Emma Jaeger, Jacob Malinovsky
- Yoakum: Evan Brown, Casey Eggemeyer, Kaylee Garza, Miekala Jones

### Montgomery makes SHSU Dean's List

#### SPECIAL TO THE INQUIRER

The students listed on the Dean's List of Academic Honors at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas, are undergraduates who have achieved a grade point average of at least 3.5 out of a 4.0 in all work attempted while enrolled in not less than 12 semester hours. The university would like to recognize the following student for earning the honor for the Fall 2022 semester: Brejhai' Montgomery of Waelder.

### Devon Energy expands grant program; application deadline is Feb. 24

#### **SPECIAL TO THE INQUIRER**

Devon Energy has opened applications for its 2023 grants to support organizations advancing diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) across its

Last year, the company, which has a location in Cuero, provided grants to 11 organizations in Oklahoma and four in southeast Mexico. This year the program is being expanded to organizations near operating areas in Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Wyoming and North Dakota.

Devon's employee-led panel will review and select applications for funding. The 2023 grant application closes Feb.

24, and all applications will be notified if they were awarded a grant by April 1.

For more information and to apply, please visit devonenergy. com/sustainability/social/philanthropy

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT WEEKLY REPORTS

#### **Gonzales County Sheriff's** Office

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#### 01/15/23

 Gordon, Brett Cole, 05/1992, Nixon: Possession Controlled Substance PG 2 < 1G DFZ IAT, Released on \$4,000 Bond; Unlawful Carrying Weapon, Released on \$1,000 Bond; Possession Marijuana <2 oz, Released on \$500 Bond

- Villanueva Jr., Robert G, 10/1974, San Antonio: Bexar County Warrant - Theft Property >\$100 <\$750, Released on \$800
- Perez, Juan Oscar, 05/2000, Smiley: Possession Marijuana <2oz. Released on \$1,000 Bond
- Trigo, George Wiley, 07/1995, Nixon: Possession Marijuana <2oz, Released on \$1,000 Bond
- Winkle, Johnnie Lee. 05/1992, Harwood: Possession Controlled Substance PG 1/1-B >4G <200G, Requires \$8,000 Bond, Remains in Custody
- Halliburton, Nathan Thomas, 03/2004, Missouri City: Unlawful Carrying Weapon, Released on \$8,000 Bond: Possession Marijuana >2oz <4oz, Released on \$5,000 Bond
- · Jones, Jayden Isaiah-Thurman, 07/2003, Fresno Fort Bend: Theft of Firearm, Requires \$10,000 Bond; Unlawful Carrying Weapon, Requires \$5,000 Bond; Possession Marijuana >2oz

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<4oz, Requires \$5,000 Bond; **Possession Controlled** Substance PG 3 <28G, Requires \$5,000 Bond; Remains in • Sosa-Chinnchilla, Luis

- Eduardo, 11/1990, Houston: Smuggling of Persons, Requires \$20,000 Bond; Money Laundering >\$2,500 <\$30K, Requires \$10,000 Bond; Unlawful Carrying Weapon, Requires \$5,000 Bond; Evading Arrest Detention, Requires \$5,000 Bond; Department of Homeland Security - Detainer, Remains in Custody
- · Mathis, Kaylin Nicole, 08/2003, China Spring: **Possession Controlled** Substance PG 1 >4G <200G, Requires \$20,000 Bond: **Possession Controlled** Substance PG 2 >4G <400G, Requires \$20,000 Bond; **Possession Controlled** Substance PG 2 <1G, Requires \$10,000 Bond; Secure Execution Doc Deception >\$2,500 <\$30K, Requires \$10,000 Bond; Possession Marijuana <2oz, Requires \$5,000 Bond; Remains in Custody
- Lara Contreras, Isaias, 12/1981, Houston: Smuggling of Persons, Requires \$20,000 Bond; Department of Homeland Security - Detainer; Remains in Custody

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 Gonzalez-Gonzalez, Francisco Antonio, 08/1989, San Antonio: Smuggling of Persons, Released on \$20,000 Bond;

Department of Homeland Security - Detainer; Released -Picked up by ICE

- Sembera, Aaron Edward, 02/1988,. Victoria: Possession Marijuana <2oz, Released on \$1,000 Bond
- Mackey, Antonie Jermain, 01/1983, Midland: Parole Division - Parole Violation, Remains in Custody
- Morales-Chan, Pedro, 05/1981. Houston: Possession Controlled Substance PG 1/1-B <1G, Requires \$6,500 Bond; Possession Marijuana >2oz <4oz, Requires \$5,000 Bond; Department of Homeland Security - Detainer, Remains in
- Chatman, Keturah Jamai, 03/1989, San Antonio: **Possession Controlled** Substance PG 2 < 1G, Released on \$6,500 Bond

#### 01/20/23

- Solis, James Elis, 11/1976, Gonzales: Commitment/ Sentence - Possession Controlled Substance PG 1 <1G, Released - Weekender
- Thorne, Colby Wayne, 11/2001, Waelder: Commitment/ Sentence - Burglary of Habitation, Commitment/ Sentence - Prohibited Substance/Item in Correctional Facility, Released - Weekender
- Simpson, Joseph Lee, 08/1995, Gonzales: Possession Marijuana <2oz, Released on \$500 Bond
- Velasquez, Sabrina Leann, 06/1998, Victoria: Local Warrant

- Possession Controlled Substance PG 1 <1G, Requires \$25,000 Bond;Remains in Custody
- Perez, Juan Oscar, 05/2000. Smiley: Possession Marijuana <2oz, Released on \$1,000 Bond

- Cook Jr., Jerry Darrell, 05/1994, Luling: Tamper/ Fabricate Physical Evidence w/ Intent to Impair, Requires \$5,000 Bond; Possession Marijuana <2oz, Requires \$1,500 Bond; Harris County Warrant - Theft Property >\$100 <\$750, Requires \$1010.00 Bond; Remains in
- · Martinez, Dominic Angel, 03/2001, Gonzales: Possession Marijuana <2oz, Released on \$500 Bond

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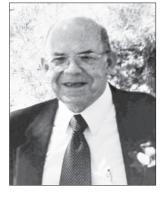
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**OBITUARY** 

#### FRANK JOE SPACEK III

Frank Joe Spacek, III, of Winchester VA, passed away Thursday, January 12, 2023 at the VA Center in Martinsburg, WV, under the care of hospice.

Born May 12, 1946, in Gonzales, Texas, he was the son of the late Col. (Ret) Frank Joe Spacek Jr., and Margaret Faye Spacek (Buchanan).

Frank served as a Captain in the US Army, valiantly serving in Vietnam from 1967-1968 with the 11th Armored Cavalry and the MAC-V advisors, resulting in two Bronze Stars with the V device, two Purple Hearts, and the Republic of VietNam Gallantry Cross.

He is survived by his wife Janie and her sons Scott and Jamie; his son Patrick Spacek of Jacksonville, Fla.; daughter, Kristina Spacek-Spivey, and husband Scott of Church Road, Va.; one grandchild, Tohrin Spivey; and caregiver Cherie Cave.

Funeral service will be held on Thursday, January 19, 2023, at the Brown Funeral Home in Martinsburg. Family will receive friends one hour prior to the service.

Interment will be held on January 23, 2023 at 10:00 in the Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Amelia Court House, Va.

Tax deductible memorial tributes in the name of Frank J. Spacek III can be made to the '11th ACVVC Scholarship Fund' at 11THACR\reunion (11thcavnam.com) or by

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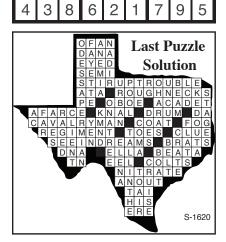
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DISTRICT 01 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jan 13, 2023

NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Feb 3, 2023

Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P.O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967

Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EOG RESOURCES, INC., [RRC Operator No. 253162] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec., Bk. BATEMAN,S Survey, A-1, EAGLEVILLE (EAGLE FORD-1) Field, GONZALES County, being 14.6 miles SE direction from COST, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected person include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at (512)463 6751. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Feb 3, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

#### THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: EAGLEVILLE (EAGLE FORD-1)

Lease/Unit Name : SMOKY MOUNTAINS L

Lease/Unit Well No. :11H Lease/Unit Acres : 2356.64 Nearest Lease Line (ft) Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 372.0

: 3747.0 F NE L, 831.0 F SE L Lease Lines : 2798.0 F E (river) L, 3747.0 F NE L Survey Lines

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1

Penetration Point Location

3023.0 F NE L Lease Lines: 386.0 F SE L

Terminus Location

Lease Lines:

764.0 F NE L Survey Lines: 5109.0 F NW L 365.0 F NE L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

EAGLEVILLE (EAGLE FORD-1):

Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres. Optional Rules 330/0, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 12500 feet.

3975.0 F NW L

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Patrick

Mendoza, at (210)403-7700.

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Paul F. Law, Deceased, were issued on January 17, 2023, in Cause No. PW22-0240, pending in the County Court of Gonzales County, Texas, to Jack Law and Judith Law, Co-Independent Executors.

All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law to the undersigned. Any person indebted to this Estate is hereby notified to pay same to the undersigned.

> c/o MATTHEW K. WILLIAMSON DUNCAN, BRESSLER & WILLIAMSON, INC. 1020 N.E. LOOP 410, SUITE 500 SAN ANTONIO, TX 78209-1224

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#### Request for Proposal (RFP) for Administration **Professional Services - Cover Letter**

January 23, 2023

Re: Texas CDBG -MIT Regional Mitigation Program's Method of Distribution Development (CDBG MIT-MOD)

Dear Service Providers:

Attached is a copy of the City of Gonzales Request for Proposals ("RFP") for professional administration services. These services are being solicited to assist the City of Gonzales in its application(s) for and implementation of one or more contracts, if awarded, from the GLO's CDBG MIT-MOD program. The City of Gonzales is applying for such funding for engineering, grant administration, infrastructure construction and activities as indicated in the attached Scope of

Service providers may submit proposals for any or all activities. Multiple contracts may be awarded as a result of this solicitation. The City of Gonzales will, in its sole discretion, determine the number of contracts awarded, and may decide not to

The submission requirements for this proposal are included in the attached RFP. Please submit a proposal of services and statement of qualifications to: Citysecretary@gonzales.texas.gov.

The full Request for Proposals may be found at: https://www.gonzales.texas.gov/p/ cdbg-dr-grantapplication.

The deadline for submission of proposals is 2:00 pm on February 7, 2023. It is the responsibility of the submitting entity to ensure that the proposal is received in a timely manner. Proposals received after the deadline will not be considered for award, regardless of whether or not the delay was outside the control of the submitting provider. The City of Gonzales reserves the right to negotiate with any and all service providers submitting timely proposals.

The City of Gonzales is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Section 3 Residents, Minority Business Enterprises, Small Business Enterprises, Women Business Enterprises, and Labor Surplus Area firms are encouraged to

Sincerely,

submit proposals.

Tim Crow Interim City Manager

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission (GCRPC) is seeking input on the method of distribution for \$1,267,062 in Community **Development Block Grant Regional Mitigation Program** 

Funds (CDBG-MIT). The Hurricane Harvey Re-Allocation Workshop public meeting is scheduled for the following date, time, and

Wednesday, February 1, 2023, at 2:00 p.m., at the GCRPC Boardroom inside the Victoria Tower located at 1908 N. Laurent, 6th Floor, Victoria, Texas, 77901, or virtually. Instructions to join the meeting virtually will be posted on our website, www.gcrpc.org, 72 hours prior to the meeting.

GCRPC will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending the GCRPC public hearings. Public hearings will be conducted in English. Requests from persons needing special accommodations, requests for language interpreters, or requests for other special communication needs should be made at least 72 hours prior to each hearing. For accommodation requests or additional information about this posting, please call (361) 578-1587, x206.

#### NOTICIA PÚBLICA

Por la presente se notifica que la Comisión de Planificación Regional de Golden Crescent (GCRPC) está buscando aportes sobre el método de distribución por \$1,267,062 en Fondos del Programa de Mitigación Regional de Subvenciones en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG-MIT).

La reunión pública del Taller de reasignación del huracán Harvey está programada para la siguiente fecha, hora y lugar:

Miércoles 1 de Febrero de 2023, a las 2:00 p.m., en el GCRPCSala de juntas dentro de la Torre Victoria ubicada en 1908 N. Laurent, 6th Floor (piso), Victoria, Texas, 77901, o virtualmente. Instrucciones para unirse la reunión virtual se publicará en nuestro sitio web, www.gcrpc.org, 72 horas antes de la reunión.

GCRPC proporcionará adaptaciones razonables para las personas que asistan a las audiencias públicas de GCRPC. Las audiencias públicas se llevarán a cabo en inglés. Las solicitudes de personas que necesitan adaptaciones especiales, solicitudes de intérpretes de idiomas o solicitudes de otras necesidades especiales de comunicación deben hacerse al menos 72 horas antes de cada audiencia. Para solicitudes de adaptación o información adicional sobre esta publicación, llame al (361) 578-1587, x206.

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#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is given that original Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of Charles Larry Prather were issued on August 29, 2022, in docket number PW22-0211, pending in the County Court of Gonzales County, Texas, to Hilda Kay Prather. All persons having claims against the estate, which is presently being administered, are required to submit them, within the time and manner prescribed by law, and before the estate is closed, addressed as follows:

> Representative Estate of Charles Larry Prather c/o Noel Henry Reese 417 St. George Street, 2nd Floor P.O. Box 887 GONZALES, TX 78629

Dated 1-11-23

Noel Henry Reese Attorney for Executor of the Estate of Charles Larry Prather

#### REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS **CITY OF SMILEY**

The City of Smiley plans to apply for the upcoming Texas CDBG-MIT Regional Mitigation Program's Method of Distribution Development (CDBG MIT-MOD) programs from the Texas General Land Office (GLO). Accordingly, the City of Smiley is seeking to contract with a qualified Engineering/Architectural Firm (individual/firm) to prepare all preliminary and final design plans and specifications, and to conduct all necessary interim and final inspections. These services are being solicited to assist the City of Smiley in its application preparation and project implementation of a CDBG contract(s), if awarded, to support eligible activities in the City of Smiley of City of Smiley. Please electronically submit your SOQs in .pdf format via email to smileytx@gvec.net. Statements of Qualifications must be received by the City of Smiley no later than 12:00pm on February 13, 2023, to be considered. The City of Smiley reserves the right to negotiate with any and all individuals or firms that submit proposals. Section 3 Residents and Business Concerns, Minority Business Enterprises, Small Business Enterprises and Women Business Enterprises, and Labor Surplus Vendors are encouraged to submit proposals. The City of Smiley is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Servicios de traducción están disponibles por peticion.

#### **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Christopher Edward Kiddy, Deceased, were issued on January 18, 2023, in Cause No. AD22-0236, pending in the County Court of Gonzales County, Texas, to: Carolyn Allen.

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

> c/o: Robert W. Bland Attorney at Law P.O. Box 119

**GONZALES, TX 78629** Dated the 18 day of January, 2023.

> Robert W. Bland Attorney for Carolyn Allen State Bar No: 24044756 P.O. Box 119 GONZALES, TX 78629 Telephone: (830) 672-2437 Facsimile: (830) 672-2439

E-mail: rbland@gvec.net

#### NIXON-SMILEY CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS** FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2022

Data Contro	ontrol		10 General Fund	Other Funds		Total Governmental Fund	
	REVENUES:						
5700	Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$	7,895,863	\$	2,094,621	\$	9,990,484
5800	State Program Revenues		4,448,446		120,352		4,568,798
5900	Federal Program Revenues		238,793		4,000,386		4,239,179
5020	Total Revenues		12,583,102		6,215,359		18,798,461
	EXPENDITURES:						_
	Current:						
0011	Instruction		7,132,391		2,256,708		9,389,099
	Instructional Resources and Media Services		78,960		-		78,960
	Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development		57,193		106,246		163,439
0021	Instructional Leadership		364,152		-		364,152
	School Leadership		752,443		141,591		894,034
0031	,		125,446		213,726		339,172
	Social Work Services		36,363		32,115		68,478
	Health Services		73,755		206,937		280,692
0034	Student (Pupil) Transportation		556,152		251,864		808.016
	Food Services		-		1,257,703		1,257,703
	Extracurricular Activities		402,875		53,735		456,610
	General Administration		679,028		-		679,028
	Facilities Maintenance and Operations		1,428,286		87,616		1,515,902
	Security and Monitoring Services		61,453		-		61,453
	Data Processing Services		162,775		-		162,775
0061	Community Services Debt Service:		111,247		-		111,247
0071	Principal on Long-Term Liabilities		_		1,135,000		1,135,000
0072	Interest on Long-Term Liabilities		_		367,949		367,949
	Bond Issuance Cost and Fees Intergovernmental:		-		4,150		4,150
0091	Contracted Instructional Services Between Schools		4.712		_		4.712
0099	Other Intergovernmental Charges		330,110		_		330,110
6030	Total Expenditures		12,357,341		6,115,340		18,472,681
1200	Net Change in Fund Balances		225,761		100,019		325,780
0100	Fund Balance – September 1 (Beginning		23,601,975		3,010,835		26,612,810
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#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EOG RESOURCES, INC., [RRC Operator No. 253162] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec., Bk. BATEMAN,S Survey, A-1, EAGLEVILLE (EAGLE FORD-1) Field, GONZALES County, being 14.6 miles SE direction from COST, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected person include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at (512)463 6751. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Feb 3, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

#### THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: EAGLEVILLE (EAGLE FORD-1)

: SMOKY MOUNTAINS K Lease/Unit Name

Lease/Unit Well No. : 10H Lease/Unit Acres : 1980.77 : null Nearest Lease Line (ft) Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 1.0

Lease Lines : 606.0 F NE -L, 830.0 F SE L

: 2816.0 F NE (river) L, 3774.0 F NE L Survey Lines

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1 Penetration Point Location

Lease Lines: 231.0 F NE L 309.0 F SE L

Terminus Location

Lease Lines: 4175.0 F NW L 2401.0 F NE L Survey Lines: 5304.0 F NW L 2037.0 F NE L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

EAGLEVILLE (EAGLE FORD-1):

Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres. Optional Rules 330/0, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 12500 feet.

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(Fechas y Horario para Entregar Solicitudes)

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(Horario de la Oficina)

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Central Office, 201 US Hwy 90 West, Waelder, TX 78959

Address to mail an application for place on the ballot (if filing by mail) (Dirección a donde enviar una solicitud para un lugar on la boleta (en caso de presenter por correo)

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Email or Fax number to send an application for place on the ballot: (Dirección de correo electrónico o número de fax para enviar una solicitud para un lugar en la boleta)

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The possessing cotenant claimant, Jeanette McVea Conquest is providing this notice in accordance with Section 16.0265 of the Texas Civil Practices and Remedies Code to the cotenant heirs of MINNIE MAE MCVEA, deceased, as stated in the Affidavit and Adverse Possession and Statement of Heirship regarding Minnie Mae McVea filed under Document Number 19302588 of the Official Public Records of Gonzales County, Texas on December 19 2019 and is hereby incorporated by reference for all purposes.

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Dear Service Providers:

Attached is a copy of the City of Gonzales' Request for Proposals ("RFP") for professional administration services. These services are being solicited to assist the City of Gonzales in its application(s) for and implementation of one or more contracts, if awarded, from the GLO's CDBG - MIT program. The City of Gonzales is considering applying for such funding for planning activities.

Service providers may submit proposals for any or all activities. Multiple contracts may be awarded as a result of this solicitation. The City of Gonzales will, in its sole discretion, determine the number of contracts awarded, and may decide not to award any contracts.

The submission requirements for this proposal are included in the attached RFP and can be found online at www.gonzales.texas.gov/p/cdbg-dr-grant-application. Please submit a proposal of services and statement of qualifications to citysecretary@gonzales.texas.gov.

The deadline for submission of proposals is 2:00 PM on February 7, 2023. It is the responsibility of the submitting entity to ensure that the proposal is received in a timely manner. Proposals received after the deadline will not be considered for award, regardless of whether or not the delay was outside the control of the submitting provider. The City of Gonzales reserves the right to negotiate with any and all service providers submitting timely proposals.

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# Diving into the Jean Pool

Hey there folks, how's the new year treating you so far? Personally for me, so far, so good. Since the Estes household is now quieter than it's ever been, and noticing a significant lack of interruptions, I've been trying to hone my computer skills. My prayers are being answered, as while probably spending way too much time learning more about my recording and video editing software than will be necessary, and getting lost for countless hours scouring the internet for related and meaningful tutorials on the subject, it does seem to actually be paying off. Seeing as how I didn't send my first email or phone text until I was in my 60's, for me this is a major accomplishment, and I'm hopeful that the bruises from patting myself on the back will heal nicely.

My sons had to teach me the basics of open office just so I could write this short column. Woops, forgot to hit save, so here I go again, know what I mean? Is it my imagination, or do older folks seem

to have an allergy to technology? Honestly, I believe it's just the fear that with one unintentional keystroke we could accidentally delete "The World". People just don't realize how much pressure there is on us old folks, so be kind and pull up our socks when necessary...thank you very much. I'm thinking that someone should open a pre-k tech school, seeing as how my three year old granddaughter figured out her parents phone much faster than I've figured out my own. While not being that familiar with current child labor laws, I think it'd be easier for me just to have a pre-k class create and run the upcoming YouTube channel I'm shooting for, instead of the giant learning curve I've fallen into. Besides, they'd probably work pretty cheap. I mean,

how much is a box of pop-

**ESTES** 

Love, Eric

and Eloise

sicles these days, anyway? As promised, I'll be get-

ting back to my dad's story, and the few but cherished memories of the limited time we had together. Yep, while diving deeper into my "jean" pool, I've mostly just come up with a bunch of Wranglers and Levi's, but with a few Tommy Bahama's thrown in for good measure. I'll start with a brief recap; after growing up in depression era Kentucky, often digging through dumpsters for food, my dad enlisted in the Army shortly after his eighteenth birthday in 1950. After completing basic training at Fort Knox, he was stationed in Germany for two years, until his release in 1952. During that time he was able to visit New York City, France and Italy, honing his drinking and womanizing skills. Thanks to a hiatal hernia, he was able to escape the addiction to alcohol that plagued his parents, siblings

After release from active duty in 1952, he moved to Dayton, Ohio where he briefly worked for Delco. Eventu-

and son (me).

ally, moving to Chicago and working as a ramp agent, loading and fueling planes at midway airport. Followed by a short stint at Butler Aviation, in '53 he enrolled in the Ray-Vogue art school. Hoping for a career as a graphic designer, he soon realized that art was not his forte. This was long before personal computers, so drawing and painting were the mediums of the day. Dreaming of becoming a pilot, he worked several hotel jobs, trying to build up his flight training funds.

During this time he and my mother were married. They soon decided to move to Miami, where my father was hired as a Delta ticket agent at the Miami International Airport, and my mother started working for Aeronautical radio, an airline communications company. Little did they know at that time, that God was about to bless them with a precious, overly cute, and charismatic baby boy. Yep... that's me! Stay

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Jehovah's Witnesses among the millions of Nazism's victims

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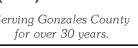
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See VICTIMS, page 17

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# **UH-V** names President's, Dean's lists

#### **SPECIAL TO THE INQUIRER**

The University of Houston-Victoria has released the names of undergraduate students who made its fall 2022 President's and Deans' lists.

The President's List honors undergraduates who earn a 4.0 grade-point average on all work completed during the fall semester. To qualify for the Deans' List, undergraduates must earn at least a 3.5 grade-point average. The recognitions are awarded each fall

and spring semester. A minimum of nine semester hours is required. Any student who earns a grade of "Incomplete," D or F during the semester is excluded from consideration.

Below is a list of students by school who made each list and their home cities. Students who qualified for the President's List automatically made the Deans' List and are not listed twice.

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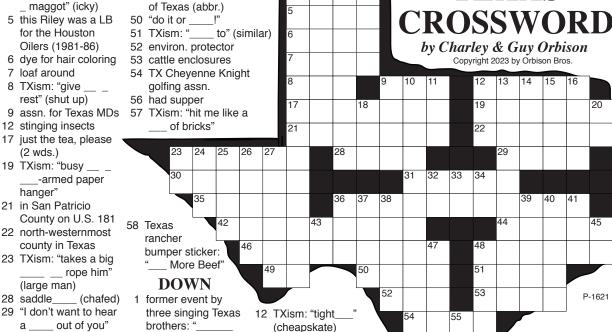
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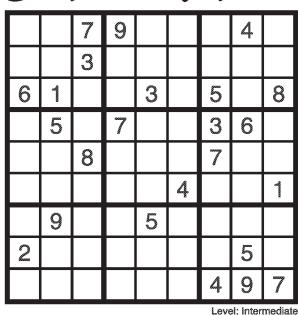
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Answers found in next week's Classifieds.

# Gonzales native gets invite to pro football combine

**SPORTS** 



#### **BY VANDY VAN EPPS**

Gonzales Inquirer

There are a small percentage of college football players who get noticed by professional football leagues in the United States, but one former Gonzales Apache and Southwestern Assemblies of God Lions player will get that

Corey Anzaldua, current SAGU student, received an opportunity from the American National Combine to showcase his skills on the football field.

The ANC serves as a supplement to the NFL National Scouting Combine and is the long-standing regional workout platform serving the NFL, XFL, Fan Controlled Football (FCF), USFL and CFL. ANC is also the exclusive operations provider to XFL Showcase and FCF Tryouts, according to the official website.

Corey has been working hard to put himself into a great position to be part of the combine.

"I am gonna go out there and try and just see what opportunities can come next and see what I can get out of it. All I can do is just put Christ first. And if it's meant to



Corey Anzaldua

be, it's meant to be. If not, well then I'm gonna go on and I've got great things [ahead of me]," Anzaldua said.

Corey describe his style of play like current NFL safety Tyrann Mathieu and how he was undersized liked him.

"He's just always been a great safety, he's always produced. He was a top safety in the league a few years ago. And I try to watch some of his film and just try to play like him. He's one of my idols I would say," Corey said.

Corey is currently getting his master's degree in organizational leadership at SAGU and also is a running backs coach for his former college team as a graduate assistant.

"Hopefully, one day I can go and get an athletic director job at a high school. I want to be a head coach, either high school or college level." Corey

Corey has a lot of support from his family, especially from his father, Isaac Anzald-

Isaac knows how much work his son has put in to get where he is at to get an invitation to the ANC and the importance of it.

"When you put in the time, the work and keep the faith and what God has asked of you and God's commanded. you soon see the rewards. That's what he's experiencing now," Isaac Anzaldua said.

Isaac and Corey's family got a chance to see Corey play as a Gonzales Apache, then as a SAGU Lion and now possibly may watch him make it to the pro level.

Isaac recalls the times when Corey heard that he was "too small, too little, he wasn't fast enough, wasn't quick enough and he wasn't strong enough."

"Those are all things he's heard echoed throughout his career, but inside his heart, in his mind, God has taught him

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## **Apaches** knock out Fox Tech **Buffaloes**

#### STAFF REPORT

The Gonzales Apaches closed out the first half of district play with a 58-36 win over the San Antonio Fox Tech Buffaloes Friday, Ian. 20.

The Apaches made 40 percent of their field goals compared to Fox Tech's 22 percent.

Gonzales moves to 2-4 to wrap up the first half of district, keeping the teams playoff's chances in good shape heading into the second half of district.

The Gonzales Apaches opened the second half of district against the La Vernia Bears Tuesday, Jan. 24.

The Apaches will host the San Antonio JFK Rockets at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27 for their second meeting of the season. Gonzales will then have a bye on Tuesday, Jan. 31 before hosting San Antonio Memorial on Friday, Feb. 3, at 7 p.m.

#### **GONZALES JUNIOR** HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL **SCORES**

#### **LADY APACHE 8TH**

**GRADE A-TEAM** The Lady Apache 8th grade A-team fell short to San Marcos Goodnight Middle School with a final score of 13-46. Ahyanah Browne, Blakely Mercer, Kea'Anna White, and Shakayden Clack each scored 2 points. Jordyn Gonzales scored 4 points. Dixie Lester scored 1 point.

#### THE 8TH GRADE

**B-TEAM** The 8th grade B-team conquered the Lady Rattlers with a score of 22-19. Kaelynn Mendiola scored 14 points, Alize Miller scored 4 points, Kamryn Riojas scored 2 points, and Analia Reyes scored 2 points. Kaelynn Mendiola led the Lady Apaches in

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PHOTOS BY VANDY VAN EPPS

Junior Sydney McCray (3) moves the ball down the court for the Lady Apaches against San Antonio Fox Tech on the road Friday, Jan. 20.

# Lady Apaches make big comeback to pull out win against Fox Tech

#### **BY VANDY VAN EPPS**

Gonzales Inquirer

The Gonzales Lady Apaches kept their playoff hopes alive with a 49-44 win over the San Antonio Fox Tech Lady Buffaloes Friday, Jan. 20.

The Lady Apaches trailed more than 10 points against Fox Tech and finally took the lead in

the final minutes of the match. 'We talked about it at halftime; we talked about the fact that it doesn't really matter what the score is at any point of the game. It doesn't matter if we win by 20 or if we win by one. What matters is that the end of the fourth quarter, when the buzzer goes off, we are ahead," Lady Apaches head basketball coach Dana Sestak said.

Senior Carlee Ramos said heading into the fourth quarter, they finally got their heads together and started working together as a team.

"We're just all putting all we can into this game because we knew about the playoffs and just in general, we'd like to work hard as a team," Ramos said.

Junior Sydney McCray helped



Junior Haley Cantu (4) forces a turnover for the Lady Apaches and reaches for the ball against a San Antonio Fox Tech player Friday, Jan. 20.

the Lady Apaches get their first lead of the game with a layup with less than four minutes left.

McCray said that they had to score that basket was what was going through her mind, and a chance for a shot at the playoffs.

This was a reverse case of déjà vu for the Lady Apaches, who led against Fox Tech in the first

meeting, but fell in the final

In the second meeting, Fox Tech led for majority of the game and fell in the final minutes to the Lady Apaches.

"We knew coming in we had to be the same in order to

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## Lady **Apaches** swept by La Vernia

#### STAFF REPORT

The Gonzales Lady Apaches fell to the La Vernia Lady Bears, 77-21, at home Tuesday, Jan. 24.

La Vernia completed the season sweep of the Lady Apaches for the 2022-23 girls basketball season.

The Lady Apaches dropped to 2-5 in district play, sitting in fifth place behind the San Antonio JFK Lady Rockets, who have a 2-4 record.

Gonzales will play San Antonio JFK on the road this Friday, Jan. 27 with playoff implications on the line as they head into the final three games of the season.

Tip off is set for 5 p.m.

### **Apaches FC** beat Cole

**STAFF REPORT** 

The Gonzales Apaches FC extended their win streak to three with a 4-2 win over the Cole Cougars Friday, Jan. 17 at home.

The Apaches FC scored two goals in the first half, taking a 2-1 lead over Cole, and added two more goals in the second half to seal their eighth win of the season.

Gonzales will host the Pleasanton Eagles for the final non-district game of the season Friday, Jan. 27, and will travel to San Antonio to face the JFK Rockets for the district opener Friday, Feb. 3.

The Pleasanton game starts at 7 p.m.

The San Antonio JFK game starts at 7 p.m.

### La Vernia sweeps season series from Apaches; Tribe drops to 5th in district

#### **STAFF REPORT**

The Gonzales Apaches fell to the La Vernia Bears on the road, 67-45, Tuesday, Jan. 24.

The Apaches dropped to 2-5

and into fifth place in District 28-4A, setting up playoff implications against the San Antonio JFK Rockets that could possibly force a play-in game with them.

Gonzales will host San Antonio JFK this Friday, Jan. 27 with a 7 p.m. tipoff. There are four games

remaining for the 2022-23

Apaches basketball season.

They are: Home vs. San Antonio Memorial on Feb. 3, Away vs. Cuero on Feb. 7, Home vs. YWLA on Feb. 10 and Away vs. San Antonio Fox Tech on Feb. 14.

# Mustangs stun Ro-Hawks with big home win

#### **BY VANDY VAN EPPS**

Gonzales Inquirer

The Nixon-Smiley Mustangs varsity basketball survived, 38-36, at home against the Randolph Ro-Hawks Tuesday, Jan. 24.

The Mustangs trailed by as much as 10 points in the first half of the game, but managed to keep their composure against Randolph.

Head boys basketball Carlton McKinney said that has been the story of this year's Mustangs — sometimes they have to grind down games towards the end.

"We didn't shoot the ball particularly well. Matter of fact, the two leading scorers didn't score a point tonight, which is highly unusual, but I told them before we play cold, we didn't play particularly well offensively, but we did enough to win the ballgame," McKinney said.

McKinney added Randolph is a tough team and remembered they had beat his team at their court early in the season.

"We had a lot on the line tonight and the kids they stepped up and they had to make some plays," McKinney said.

Senior forward Braxton Regalado remembered the first meeting against Randolph and knew they played horrible.

"I felt like we were off that



Nixon-Smiley sophomore guard Ryan Paez (23) passes the ball the teammate senior guard Brayden Martinez (1) in their district match against the Randolph Ro-Hawks Tuesday, Jan. 24 at home.

day, but this game we did our best. We did what we had to do. We know what they were doing and we just got on with it," Regalado said.

Nixon-Smiley managed to take the lead in the final four minutes of the game and took control of the game with big rebounds, clock management and getting key points.

"Normally, we're a second half team because we just come out fired up with our backs against the wall," junior guard Luke Moses said. "We

want to win; our desire to win is huge. And so we've got to do what we've got to do. And we toughed it out this night."

The Mustangs improved to 5-1 in district for the first time since the 2015-16 season. McKinney knows they have a tough

road challenge against Cole this Friday.

The Cole Cougars are 6-1 in district with the Mustangs behind them in second place.

"Cole is the next game and it's a huge game, but winning that game is great. If we don't follow through with everything else we have to do, then it doesn't help us the same with losing," McKinney said.

"If we're not victorious on Friday, we need to make sure that we understand, we're still in a really good position to get where we want to go [in the playoffs]," McKinney added.

The Mustangs stunned Cole early in the season with a 45-40 win, snapping their 40-game district win streak, and McKinney and his team will prepare to go into a hostile road environment.

"I know if it's me on that side, I'm looking for payback. And so as I told you, kids, we need to prepare because we're going to get the best Cole team that they can put together. And we need to make sure we've got the best Mustang team that we can put together." McKinney said.

The Mustangs will travel to San Antonio to face the Cougars Friday, Jan. 27, in a game that'll likely determine who gets the district title in the end of the season.

Tip off set for 8 p.m.

# Lady Mustangs beat Giddings on the road

#### STAFF REPORT

The Nixon-Smiley Lady Mustangs snapped a two game losing streaking with a 48-39 win over Giddings Friday, Jan. 20.

Senior Mady Velasquez scored 20

points over Giddings; and recorded two rebounds, one assist and three

Junior Ariel Villanueva led the Lady Mustangs with eight rebounds and four assists.

Senior Natalee Mendez led the

team with eight steals.

The Lady Mustangs hosted Randolph Tuesday, Jan. 24. in their second district clash this season.

Nixon-Smiley will hit the road Friday, Jan. 27, for their final road district game against Cole.



Senior guard Criselle Stansel (0) shots a two pointer for the Lady Mustangs from Randolph's side of the court Tuesday, Jan. 24 in a huge

## Lady Mustangs' rally falls short against Randolph

#### **BY VANDY VAN EPPS**

Gonzales Inquirer

The Nixon-Smiley Lady Mustangs varsity basketball team went toe-totoe in their 49-45 loss to the Randolph Lady Ro-Hawks Tuesday, Jan. 24.

The Lady Mustangs kept the game close with Randolph in the second meeting of season; Nixon-Smiley also fell to Lady Ro-Hawks early in the

Lady Mustangs head basketball coach Jordan Estrada thought this was a different game from the first meeting; in the first meeting, she said they were a little intimidated in that first meeting against Randolph.

Estrada said she was very proud of her team's performance against Randolph and knew it's a been rough season in district, losing in close games to a couple of different teams.

"I'm proud of my team. I think they're moving in the right direction. We're building and getting better every day and every game and that's all I can ask for heading into playoffs because that's really what matters," Estrada said.

Lady Mustangs senior guard Criselle Stansel performed well against Randolph, getting key backto-back three pointers in the second half to help keep the game close.

"I was just trying to get points for my team so we can get back on the board and we can get back in the game," Stansel said.

In the final two minutes of the game, Stansel said her team worked their tails off keeping the game close near the end and added they worked

The Lady Mustangs are heading into the final two district games of the season and need just one win to clinch a playoff berth.

Estrada said her team is ready for those final two district games and has "been ready" for this moment all season.

"They work extremely hard. I would take this group over any group and they compete on defense, they compete on offense, they don't really know what the word stop means," Estrada said. "That's hurt us a few times. But we're building on it and we're getting better every day."

The Lady Mustangs hit the road alongside the Mustangs to San Antonio for a district match against Cole.

Tip off is set for 6:15 p.m.

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a different story the entire time. And he's find ways about it back he's find ways to push through," Isaac said.

Corey said he is thankful for everything from his parents and his coaches for their

"I've always been undersized, but if you just believe in yourself and trust in God, anything can happen," Corey concluded.

The American National Combines is scheduled first in Houston at Houston Christian University Saturday, April 15; and later in Los Angeles; Washington, D.C.; Chicago; Atlanta and St. Louis.

scoring with numerous outside shots and drives to the basket, many of her assists came from for Chelsie Gonzales and Sadie

Alize Miller dominated on defense with numerous steals and assists. Chelsie Gonzales and Keiryah Greathouse also played an outstanding defensive game forcing numerous turnovers. Keiryah Greathouse worked tirelessly to protect the basket and had countless rebounds under the goal. This was a hard fought victory and could not have been done without the effort of the entire team. The Lady Apaches are 7-0 this season.

#### **GONZALES' 7TH A TEAM**

Gonzales' 7th A team defeated San Marcos Goodnight 37-23. Record is now 4-3. Jonalyn Hunt scored 8 points; Kianni Ro-

driguez 2 points; Ainsley Wundt 2 points; Carsyn Carrizales 8 points; Gabby Cobbler 7 points and Parker Petras 6 points

Offensive player of the game: Parker

Defensive player of the game: Gabby Cobbler

#### **7TH GRADE B LADY APACHE BASKETBALL**

Gonzales B Team lost against the Goodnight Rattlers with a score of 22-9. The Lady Apaches walked away from the game with Melanie Soto scoring 2 points, Jenesis Banda scoring 3 points, Jayla Dixon scoring 4 points, 1 rebound, 1 turn over, and one assist, Dakota O'Neill with 1 rebound, Bryanna Canales 3 rebounds, Jadelyn Rosas one rebound, and Syrenity Condel one rebound. The defensive player of the game goes to Jenesis Banda, and our offensive player of the game goes to Jayla Dixon.

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keep our playoff chances alive, so being able to come back after what a sloppy game the first game was and being able to win, it feels pretty good,"

Sophomore Bella Aguero said. The Lady Apaches faced off against La Vernia Tuesday, Jan 24 at home, and Sestak said La Vernia plays different than

other district opponents.

Sestak said her team has to step up, especially on defense, against La Vernia's strong inside offense.

"That's just something that we're going to have to adjust to because almost everybody else in the district, they guard heavy. So now we're having to focus,

grateful that we have some time to prepare for it," Sestak said.

The Lady Apaches will close out the final two games against JFK and San Antonio Memorial and will host Cuero at home for

the regular season finale. Gonzales will travel to San Antonio JFK this Friday, Jan. 27. Tip off is at 5 p.m.



The Gonzales Lady Apaches bench celebrates as the clock hits zero in their 49-44 comeback road win over the San Antonio Fox Tech Ladv Buffaloes Friday, Jan.

### Largemouth Bass conservation license plate celebrates 20 years **SPECIAL TO THE INQUIRER**

Since 2000, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's (TPWD) Conservation License Plate Program (CLPP) has helped generate funds to support state parks, outdoor recreation, wildlife management and research, and conservation projects in Texas. The largemouth bass license plate is celebrating its 20th anniversary and has generated \$893,005 for 93 conservation projects through TPWD's Inland Fisheries Division.

Sales of the largemouth bass license plate directly fund fisheries habitat, access and conservation efforts in Texas waterways. The largemouth bass plate originally launched in 2002 and was redesigned in 2015. The average annual funding produced by the plate sales is \$41,000.

Projects funded by the largemouth bass plate are implemented in public reservoirs and small fishing lakes across the state. They have included deployment of GPS-marked fish attractors, installation of underwater greenlights at fishing piers, use of aeration systems to improve water quality in small fishing ponds, establishment of native aquatic vegetation, installation of gravel spawning beds, placement of submerged brush piles and support for angler access projects.

"Funds generated from the sale of largemouth bass license plates provide TPWD's Inland Fisheries Division with funding streams that we can leverage into on-the-ground projects to improve freshwater fishing, angler access and resource conservation," said Michael Homer, coordinator of TPWD's Reservoir Fish Habitat Initiative.

In addition to the largemouth bass license plate, the Texas rivers plate raises an average of \$40,000 per year for inland fisheries conservation, recreation and management projects. Launched in 2017, funds from the Texas rivers plate are used to support projects that promote paddling and fishing access, invasive species control and fish habitat enhancement in Texas' rivers and streams. Recent projects include rock installation at the Bosque River paddling trail access point below Lake Waco and at the Barrett Road access site above the lake to improve the parking areas and kavak launches.

Funds from the Texas rivers license plate have also been used to purchase plant materials, seed or geotextile fabric for stream bank conservation projects on the Llano, Brazos and

Colorado rivers. Rivers plate funding has also supported the Inland Fisheries Division's River Access and Conservation Areas Program, which leases private land along Texas rivers for public access to fishing and paddling. The program is currently supporting 21 public river access areas on nine different rivers.

"The bass and Texas rivers conservation license plates look great on any vehicle," said John Botros, the Inland Fisheries Division's river access coordinator. "When I see one on the road, I know that there is a person who contributes to improving Texas' fishing and paddling resources. It is always fun to see others who help us make life better outside."

Since its debut 22 years ago, the Conservation License Plate program has generated more than \$11 million. In addition to the largemouth bass and Texas rivers plates, other plates in the collection include horned lizard, rattlesnake, monarch butterfly and hummingbird plates benefiting wildlife diversity, white-tailed deer and bighorn sheep plates benefiting big game management, camping and bluebonnet plates benefiting state parks and a roadrunner plate benefitting nature tourism and habitat conserva-

To buy the largemouth bass or Texas rivers plates or one of the other available designs, visit www.conservationplate. org or your local county tax assessor-collector's office. The plates are available for vehicles, trailers and motorcycles and cost just \$30 - with \$22 going directly to conservation projects. Buyers do not have to wait until they receive a renewal notice, they can order at any time and the cost will be pro-rated.

### VARSITY SOFTBALL **APACHES**

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Special Notes
Jan 28	11:40 AM	@ Seguin		Southside HS Scrimmage
Jan 28	1:00 PM	@ Madison		Southside HS Scrimmage
Jan 28	3:40 PM	@ Southside		Southside HS Scrimmage
Jan 31	5:00 PM	@ Shiner		
Feb 4	TBA	@ Davenport		Steele Scrimmage
Feb 4	TBA	@ Steele		Steele Scrimmage
Feb 7	7:00 PM	vs Johnson	Apache Softball Field	
Feb 11	9:00 AM	vs McCallum	Apache Softball Field	Apache Scrimmage
Feb 11	3:00 PM	vs Brackenridge	Apache Softball Field	Apache Scrimmage
Feb 11	4:00 PM	vs Hallettsville	Apache Softball Field	Apache Scrimmage
Feb 14	7:00 PM	vs Lehmen	Apache Softball Field	
Feb 16	9:00 AM	@ Lexington		Columbus Tourney
Feb 16	2:15 PM	@ Bellville		Columbus Tourney
Feb 17	9:00 AM	@ East Bernard		Columbus Tourney
Feb 17	2:15 PM	@ Smithville		Columbus Tourney
Feb 18	1:30 PM	@ Columbus		Columbus Tourney
Feb 23	4:00 PM	@ Alamo Heights		Floresville Tournament
Feb 23	7:00 PM	@ Southside		Floresville Tournament
Feb 24	7:00 PM	@ Seguin		Floresville Tournament
Feb 24	7:00 PM	@ Carizzo Springs		Floresville Tournament
Feb 25	7:00 PM	@ Lytle		Floresville Tournament
Feb 25	7:00 PM	@ Floresville		Floresville Tournament

### **POWERLIFTING APACHES**

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Special Notes
Jan 26	4:30 PM	@ La Grange		La Grange
Feb 9	TBA	@ Swamp Strength Rice		Rice
Feb 18	TBA	@ Girls LCQ Victoria East		Victoria East
Feb 25	TBA	@ Boys LCQ Victoria West		Victoria West
Mar 2	TBA	@ Girls Region 5 Division 2		Bert Ogden Arena (Edinburg)
Mar 9	ТВА	@ Boys Region 4 Division 2		West Hardin
Mar 15	ТВА	@ Girls State		Comerica Center (Frisco)
Mar 24	TBA	@ Boys State		Taylor County Expo Center (Abilene)

### contest marks centennial celebration

Texas State

Parks photo

#### **SPECIAL TO THE INQUIRER**

AUSTIN — Point, focus, shoot! In honor of its 100year birthday celebration, Texas State Parks is hosting a photo contest throughout 2023 with the chance to win park passes, H-E-B gift cards and even a curated state park experience.

The contest will have four seasonal prize winners before the public votes on the grand prize winner at the end of the year.

"We can't wait to see the parks through our visitors' eyes," said Whitney Bishop, social media coordinator for Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD). "There are so many special moments to capture, from watching a beautiful sunset to catching your first fish. This contest is about more than taking pictures. It's about making memories."

The contest kicked off this month with the theme of "New Year, New Adventure" and will offer a new theme every season. A panel of TPWD judges will select quarterly winners who will each receive a Texas State Parks Pass valued at \$70 and a \$100 H-E-B gift card donated by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation (TPWF).

Voting for the grand prize winner begins in December. The lucky winner will receive a Texas State Parks Pass, a \$500 H-E-B gift card donated by TPWF and a VIP-curated experience at a Texas State Park.

All entries must be taken at a Texas State Park or Natural Area and uploaded to the Texas State Parks Photo Contest website or tagged on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram using the hashtags #TexasStateParks and #TexasParks100, between Jan. 1 and Nov. 27. Note that an individual's social media account privacy settings may affect entries.

Participants may submit multiple entries. For details about the contest, including a link to the contest rules and a gallery of entries, visit the Texas State Parks Photo Contest website.

For more information on the Centennial Celebration (including other upcoming community events), the history of Texas State Parks and how to make a day visit or overnight reservation, visit the Texas State Parks 100 Years website at TexasStateParks.

org/100years. Additional media resources for the Centennial Celebration can be found on the TPWD website.

### **OPERATION**

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Schmidt announced Monday morning.

Speaking at Gonzales County Commissioners Court, Schmidt said GCSO hosted members of Operation Lone Star Task Force for interdiction operations on Wednesday, Jan. 18 and Thursday, Jan. 19. GCSO joined the task force in August 2022.

During this operation, agencies utilized marked and unmarked police units to conduct criminal interdiction activities in various areas of Gonzales County. Officers focused on narcotic activity as well as human smuggling. The areas included Gonzales, Harwood, Smiley, Nixon, Waelder and unincorporated areas of the county.

Participating agencies included the Gonzales Police Department, Gonzales County Precinct 1 Constable's Office, Nixon Police Department, Cuero Police Department, Yoakum Police Department, Wilson County Sheriff's Office, Refugio County Sheriff's Office, Wharton County Sheriff's Office, Jackson County Sheriff's Office, Goliad County Sheriff's Office, Texas Department of Public Safety, DPS Air Unit 107, U.S. Border Patrol, San Patricio County Sheriff's Office

and Kleberg County Attorney's Office Specialized Crimes-Narcotics Task Force.

Participating agencies in the task force assist each other and provide manpower, investigative resources and patrol units for combating ille-

gal activities. Due to the sensitive nature of task force operations, the public is not notified prior to an operation beginning.

The 302 stops made during the two days resulted in nine misdemeanor arrests, eight felony arrests and two warrant arrests, Schmidt said. Eleven drug seizures resulted in 42.3 grams of

meth being confiscated, four vehicles being seized, one weapon recovery and \$1,800 in fake currency being removed from circulation. Five people were also arrested and charged with human trafficking and smuggling of persons.

"We thought it was a pretty successful project and thought you might like to know some of the stats," Schmidt said. "Many hours were put in to make this operation run as smooth as possible."

The two days prior — Monday, Jan. 16 and Tuesday, Jan. 17 — the Gonzales County Sheriff's Office and Nixon Police Department also were involved in a similar interdiction operation with 28 other agencies in Wilson County.

That operation made nine felony arrests, 11 misdemeanor arrests, six warrant arrests, captured five undocumented aliens, made 14 drug seizures and three weapons seizures and one stolen weapon was recovered as well.

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nounced that he would be resigning after serving the city for three years. The council hired Heath Stier to serve as marshal on an interim basis until they officially hired Torres.

Citizens of Smiley also may be facing a \$50 increase on dumpster fees per month. The action, which was tabled at the Jan. 18 meeting, comes after Republic Services' proposal to increase their contract rates for Smiley from \$15 to \$20 per month for an additional two more years.

According to Smiley Mayor Lisa Benavidez, in previous years, a truckload of trash was \$35 and a trailer load was \$75 for people out of the county. "That was for out of

towners," Mayor Pro Tem Ellis Villasana said. "Everybody in town dumped free."

Now the Smiley City Council must face a decision on how Republic Services will charge for the dumpster, potentially costing the city an extra \$50 per month. On top of this, effective Jan. 20, citizens of Smiley saw a \$10 monthly increase on their utility bills due to higher costs to provide those services.

Smiley has also been facing issues of animals running loose within the city limits of Smiley — effectively causing more trash within the city.

"We have been getting several calls from people calling in about animals being loose and knocking down the trash," Benavidez said.

A potential citation could be considered for animal owners whose pets become pests.

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col to be on the Dec. 19 meeting's agenda and were given more than three minutes to speak on their proposals for the Lynn.

"When making their decision, it was shared that this bid was going to the highest bidder, clearly documenting that money was the most important, versus the real intent to have the theater up and going, which could be done by maybe one or more of the others who submitted a bid. This didn't seem fair to us. And we really would like for you to reconsider," Crawley said.

Gonzales resident James Lawrence, also a supporter of the Durham proposal, said he supports the proposal by the Durhams that would make the Lynn a "firstand second-run movie theater."

"It is the best option for the city and would best serve downtown, the restaurants and the merchants. It was best serving the citizens of Gonzales and its quality of life. It would best serve our tourist industry," Lawrence said.

Dennis Kaiser, a Gonzales resident, went over the history of the design of the Lynn and the history of the building.

"There was a movement in Europe during the 1930s that was called a Bauhaus movement, which was young architectural students getting together to have a contemporary vision of modernism for the European scene," Kaiser said.

Kaiser added the Bauhaus movement went national, but today, not many of these buildings still stand.

"This building represents, in its truest form, not only consisting of brick but limestone surrounding stainless steel, and also contemporary implements that had been resourced and also retained as an architectural implement for the South Texas region." Kaiser said.

Kaiser has seen many of these historic buildings get demolished in the state of Texas, but also in the international movement. "They remove the seats,

they chisel out the slope form on the interior, they make sure that the building becomes just a shell of architecture, which is not implemented for the future generations of this American scene or the Texas scene," Kaiser said.

"There are so many implements that could be ripped out to where we don't have a future for this building. I implore



Gonzales resident James Lawrence speaks to the Gonzales City Council for his support of the Lynn Theatre in a packed meeting Thursday, Jan. 19.

you to please consider the future of the Lynn theatre for future generations," Kaiser said.

Allen and Warzecha spoke after the council returned from closed session to talk about their plans for the Lynn.

Allen has majored in history, and she understands the history of the Lynn in the city of Gonzales.

"I want to take the Lynn and I would like to make it a destination for this town, not just for us. I want people coming through to want to stop there and go in for any reason that we have going on, even if it's just a look at the history that is there," Allen said.

Allen wanted to clarify to the council and the audience that their main primary use of the Lynn would be for first-run and second-run movies, but she added she wants to open up for other entertainment opportunities.

Allen pointed out that there is stage behind the screens and she wants to use that as an opportunity to show off the Lynn's history.

"When we have a comedian come in, I think that will generate a bunch of people and I can get them to come in. I would like them to be able to do their comedy show in the Lynn, roll up the bottom screen, have them stand on that stage and run their show," Allen said.

Councilwoman Ronda Miller asked Allen and Warzecha what their intentions for the Lynn Theatre were — whether it was "going to be a movie theater or not."

Warzecha said they want to look into the technology that it is inside the theater before deciding what kind of movies are shown.

deciding what kind of movies are shown. "You can bring in the elderly, you can bring in the youth and play older movies until we could get

those up to par," Warze-

cha said.

Allen clarified to Miller that they are definitely planning to show first-run movies and secondary movies.

GEDC executive director Jennifer Kolb wanted to clarify to the council that this sale of the Lynn is taking into account that the theater would be restricted as an entertainment venue and "the marquee will be preserved."

"We would like to work with the buyer to have a designated deadline or an option to repurchase should they not be able to perform," Kolbe said.

The council failed to make a motion to table to sale the Lynn after receiving confirmation from the winning buyers that it would not be open for another two years; Miller and Councilman Joseph Kridler voted to table the sale, while Councilwoman Sherri Koepp and Councilman Bobby O'Neal voted against waiting, with Mayor Steve Sucher giving a tiebreaking vote not to delay the

sale.

The council then voted again with Koepp making the motion to approve selling the Lynn to Allen and Warzecka. Koepp and O'Neal voted to approved the sale, while Miller and Kridler voted against the sale. Once again, Sucher was the tiebreaker and voted for the approval of the sale.

Several council members gave words of encouragement for Allen and Warzecha after the final vote was cast.

"You can't create a ripple without the pebble, so you're the pebble," Koepp said.

O'Neal told Allen and Warzecha to proceed with opening the Lynn Theatre "as soon as possible." Miller agreed with

Miller agreed with O'Neal about that statement, saying the citizens of Gonzales "need something quicker."

"I just want to say thanks to the Allen and Warzecha family and good job. Keep going. Thank you." Sucher added.

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regime branded Witnesses "enemies of the State," according to historian Christine King, because of "their very public refusal to accept even the smallest elements of [Nazism], which didn't fit their faith and their beliefs."

On religious grounds, the politically neutral Witnesses refused to give the "Heil Hitler" salute, take part in racist and violent acts, or join the German army. Moreover, "in their literature they publicly identified the evils of the regime, including what was happening to the Jews," stated King.

Witnesses were among the first sent to concentration camps, where they bore a unique uniform symbol the purple triangle. Of about 35,000 Witnesses in Nazi-occupied Europe, more than one-third suffered direct persecution. Most were arrested and imprisoned. Hundreds of their children were taken to Nazi homes or reformatories. About 4,200 Witnesses went to Nazi concentration camps. Leading authority Detlef Garbe wrote: "The declared intention of the NS [Nazi] rulers was to completely eliminate the Bible Students from German history." An estimated 1,600 Witnesses died, 370 by execution.

The Nazis sought to break Witnesses' religious convictions by offering them freedom in exchange for a pledge of obedience. The standard Erklärung (issued beginning in 1938) required the signee to renounce his or her faith, denounce other Witnesses to the police, fully submit to the Nazi government, and defend the "Fatherland" with weapon in hand.

Prison and camp officials often used torture and privation to induce Witnesses to sign. According to Garbe, "extremely low numbers" of Witnesses recanted their faith.

Geneviève de Gaulle, a niece of General Charles de Gaulle and member of the French Resistance, said of female Witness prisoners in the Ravensbrück concentration camp: "What I admired a lot in them was that they could have left at any time just by signing a renunciation of their faith....Ultimately, these women, who appeared to be so weak and worn out, were stronger than the SS, who had power and all the means at their disposal. They had their strength, and it was their willpower that no

one could beat." The failure of Nazi coercion in the case of Jehovah's Witnesses contrasts with widespread societal conformity to Nazi aims before and during the Holocaust. The nonviolent resistance of ordinary people to racism, extreme nationalism, and violence merits thoughtful reflection on this International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

More information about Jehovah's Witnesses during the Holocaust can be found on jw.org.

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### **ELECTIONS**

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for interested parties to submit an application to run for council or school board. This year, that period of time began Wednesday, Jan. 18, and will continue to 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17.

In order to run for office, according to Texas Election Code Section 141.01, an individual must be a citizen of the United States; 18 years of age or older on the first day of the term to be filled at election; have not been determined mentally incompetent by a final judgment of a court; have not been finally convicted of a felony from which the person has not been pardoned or otherwise released from the disabilities; have resided continuously in the state for 12 months and in the territory as applicable for six months immediately preceding the deadline for filing an application for a place on the ballot. Candidates also must satisfy any other eligibility requirements prescribed by law for a particular office.

#### GONZALES CITY

Seats available on the Gonzales City Council include District 3 (Ronda Miller) and District 4 (Bobby O'Neal).

#### NIXON CITY

Seats available on the

Nixon City Council include ones held at-large by Justin LaFleur, Mary Ann Fatheree and Rene Amaya.

#### **SMILEY CITY**

Seats available on the Smiley City Council include ones held at-large by Linda Warzecha, Diane P. Moreno and Elisa Douglas.

#### WAELDER CITY

Seats available on the Waelder City Council include ones held atlarge by Michael Harris, Valentino Hernandez and Curtis Hadnot Jr.

#### **GONZALES ISD**

Seats available include District 3 (Glenn Menking), District 6 (Sue Gottwald) and District 5 (Ross Hendershot III).

#### **NIXON-SMILEY CISD**

Seats available include Place 4 (Chris Villasana) and Place 6 (Aly Tschoepe).

#### **WAELDER ISD**

At-large seats available include those currently held by Dora Noyola and Diana Olmos.

The last day to register to vote in the May 6 election is Thursday, April 6. Early voting begins Monday, April 24 and continues through Tuesday, May 2.

#### **ELIGIBLE BUSINESS TYPES**

NAICS Code	Industry
532111	Passenger Car Rental
487990	Scenic & Sightseeing Transportation, Other
487210	Scenic & Sightseeing Transportation, Water
487110	Scenic & Sightseeing Transportation, Land
485510	Charter Bus Industry
483212	Inland Water Passenger Transportation
483114	Coastal & Great Lakes Passenger Transportation
483112	Deep Sea Passenger Transportation
481211	Nonscheduled Chartered Passenger Air
481111	Scheduled Passenger Air Transportation
312120	Breweries; Microbreweries
312130	Wineries
312140	Distilleries
5615	Travel Arrangement & Reservation Services; Convention & Visitors Bureaus
561920	Convention & Trade Show Organizers, Event & Meeting Planning Services
7212	RV Parks & Recreational Camps; Campgrounds
71	Arts, Entertainment & Recreation
7211	Traveler Accommodation: Hotels & Motels, Bed & Breakfast
722	Food Services & Drinking Places

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A listing of the categories of businesses that are eligible for the Texas Travel Industry Recovery (TTIR) Grant Program.

#### **TRAVEL**

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Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, according to Adriana Cruz, executive director of the Texas Economic Development & Tourism Office, which is a division of the Office of the Governor.

Industries eligible for TIIR assistance include passenger car rentals; scenic and sightseeing transportation; charter bus industry; inland water passenger transportation; coastal and Great Lakes passenger transportation;

deep sea passenger transportation; nonscheduled chartered passenger air and scheduled passenger air transportation; arts, entertainment, and recreation; food services and drinking places; traveler accommodation: hotels, motels, beds and breakfasts; RV parks and recreational camps; traveler arrangement and reservation services and convention and visitors bureaus; convention and trade show organizers and event and meeting planning services; breweries and

microbreweries; wineries; and distilleries.

"Applicants must submit supporting documents along with their application to demonstrate compliance with grant and eligibility requirements. This application round will remain open until remaining funds are dispersed," Cruz said.

For eligibility and grant application details, deadlines, an application instruction video, and the TTIR application portal, visit ttir. gov.texas.gov.

### ARREST

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as Aveyana Demara Goode, 23, of Gonzales. A warrant was then issued for Goode on a charge of disorderly conduct (displaying a firearm or other deadly weapon in a public place in a manner calculated to alarm), a class B misdemeanor in the state of Texas.

Goode was arrested Friday, Jan. 20, and transported to the Gonzales County Jail, where bond was set at \$10,000.

#### **SHOOTING**

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cedures shortly after the suspect was detained. Boatwright was transported to Cuero Regional Hospital, but later died from his injury.

The Texas Department of Public Safety Texas Rangers Division is now investigating and reviewing the incident and will, upon completion, present the case to the DeWitt County District Attorney's Office for a grand jury review. The officer will remain on administrative duties until the investigation is concluded.

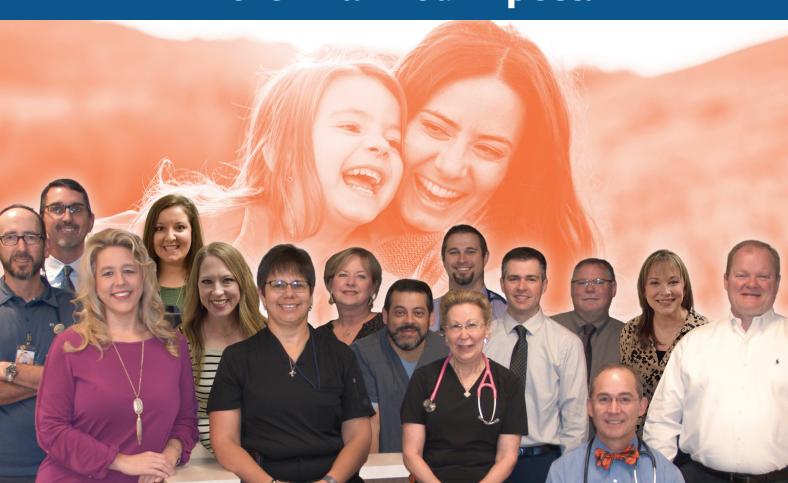
The Cuero Police Department was assisted on scene by both the DeWitt County Sheriff's Office and the Yoakum Police Department.



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