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Thursday, July 12, 2012

Yoakum reviews truckers' routes

By JAMES DREYER

Cannon Correspondent

YOAKUM — Truck traffic and truck routes were the major topic of concern at Tuesday's Yoakum City Council Meeting.

The recent increase in truck traffic through the city has impacted traffic flow and some local trucking businesses. Law enforcement officers are working to ensure that truckers follow designated truck routes, which according to City Manager, Kevin Coleman, include any "state maintained roads."

The city cannot restrain truck traffic on state maintained roads. There are local ordinances in place concerning traffic, truck routes with weight requirements, same-designated, and same-deviation for certain purposes. Some local truckers have recently received citations for driving on streets that they have driven on for years.

The Council directed Coleman to investigate the possibility of making a portion of North South Street a truck route, and assured the local truckers present at the

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Revvin up

Gonzales' Zach Miles gives it his best on Rev Up during Saturday's PBR Gonzales event.

See coverage, Page B1. (Photo by Dave Mundy)



Aug. 4 rally planned to 'send message to Washington'

Gonzales is known as the "Birthplace of Texas Freedom," so what better location for another call to conscience?

The Texas Independence Come and Take It Rally is scheduled at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4 at JB Wells Arena. The event is designed to give South Texas residents a chance to send a message to Washington, D.C.

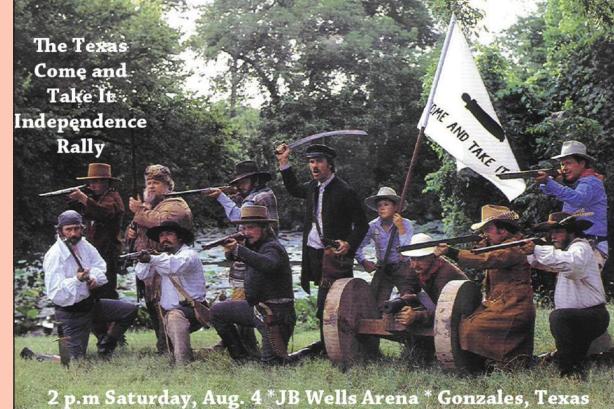
"The program will be finalized in a few days, but we must emphasize that this is a demonstration by the people, for the people, and the intent is to send a message to Congress that we will be heard," said Myrna McLeroy, one of the event's organizers. "We want to tell them that

we are unhappy with the decision of the Supreme Court, and among other issues, we want Obamacare repealed, we want immigration laws enforced, and we want our freedoms as was the original intent of our Founding Fathers and as set out in the Constitution."

Organizers plan to unfurl a huge "Come and Take It" flag. The flag was first unfurled at a Tea Party rally in Gonzales in 2009, and has since been shown off in Washington, D.C. and featured on the "Glenn Beck Show." Organizers said they are also hopeful of generating news media coverage of the event and that it will be featured on national news programs.

It started here in 1835.

Texans, it's time to make a stand



2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4 *JB Wells Arena * Gonzales, Texas

Allen receives life sentence for attack

By CEDRIC IGLEHART

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An area man was sentenced to life in prison Wednesday for an assault on an elderly woman.

2nd 25th District Judge W.C. Kirkendall held the sentencing phase for David Lee Allen Jr., 27, of Gonzales, who was charged with aggravated sexual assault of an elderly/disabled person and burglary of a habitation.

Assistant District Attorney Jessie Allen asked the daughter about the lasting physical and psychological impacts from the attack.

"She takes a lot of pain medication," said the daughter, whom *The Cannon* will not identify because doing so will also identify the victim. "She used to be real active and loved to walk, but now hardly ever leaves the house."

Allen was found guilty during his trial last month.

A daughter of the victim testified during the hear-

ing that her mother needed surgery to rebuild her face after suffering crushed orbital bones. The daughter said her mother had to undergo grueling physical therapy to be able to walk again after several weeks of hospitalization.

Assistant District Attorney Jessie Allen asked the daughter about the lasting physical and psychological impacts from the attack.

"She takes a lot of pain medication," said the daughter, whom *The Cannon* will not identify because doing so will also identify the victim. "She used to be real active and loved to walk, but now hardly ever leaves the house."

"My mom was a very strong woman, but now she's always scared that

something else is going to happen to her. He took away our Mom, she's a different person now."

Allen's defense attorney, Houston Munson, asked his client to tell the judge why he should be lenient in his sentencing.

"First of all, I didn't com-

mit this crime," Allen responded. "I feel sorry for the victim and her family, but I didn't do this crime. The evidence that was used to convict me was incoherent and inaccurate."

"I have two small children who need me and I just want to get out of jail



and take care of my loved ones. If you can grant me probation or whatever it may be that gives me freedom, I would really thank you for it."

Munson noted that Allen's prior criminal record only consisted of two pre-

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Tug of war fun

Just Yank It were the winners of the 6-man Ladies' Tug O' War competition during the Main Street Star Spangled Spectacular July 4. Team members were Courtney Voigt, Krystal Voigt, Kristen Gray, Kristen Matias-Meeh, Nikole Maldanado and Brandi Vinklarek. (Photo by Cedric Iglehart)

Weather Watch



Thursday's Forecast: Scattered Thunderstorms. High 89, Low 71. 40% chance of rain. Winds from the south-southwest at 8 mph, 72% relative humidity. UV index: 11 (extreme)

Friday: High-91, Low-70
Scattered T-Storms

Saturday: High-90, Low-71
Scattered T-Storms

Sunday: High-92, Low-71
Isolated Storms

Monday: High-93, Low-72
Partly Cloudy

Tuesday: High-93, Low-72
Partly Cloudy

Wednesday: High-93, Low-73
Scattered T-Storms



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FOR THE RECORD



Today in Texas History

July 12, 1870

On this day in 1870, at the battle of the Little Wichita River, Capt. Curwin B. McClellan and a force of 55 troopers of the Sixth Cavalry attacked a camp of Kiowa Indians under Chief Kicking Bird. The Indians had crossed the Red River into Texas and terrorized white settlers across Wichita, Archer, Young, and Jack counties. McClellan caught up with them on the Little Wichita River in what is now Archer County. He soon realized that he was outnumbered by two to one, and that the Indians were equipped with Spencer rifles, superior to his equipment. His men were attacked from all sides, and three died during a retreat. In his report McClellan praised Kicking Bird's generalship and called for larger forces to protect the frontier. This was the last time Kicking Bird was ever involved in hostilities. He dedicated the rest of his life to establishing better relations between the Kiowas and the whites.

Thought for the Day

“Socialism is a philosophy of failure, the creed of ignorance, and the gospel of envy, its inherent virtue is the equal sharing of misery.”

— Winston Churchill

Gonzales Police Report

Man faces new charges after reports of shots being fired

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A call in reference to shots being fired led to the arrest of a local man.

On Thursday, July 5 Gonzales Police received several calls of shots being fired in the 600 block of St. John. Officers actually heard the shots upon arrival and went to approach three subjects who in the back yard.

“They took off running into the house,” said Captain Alan Taylor.

The officers were met outside in the front yard by the home’s resident John Andrew Garza.

The officers checked the house for the two other subjects and found them hiding. While checking around a rifle was seen in the house.”

Garza, 29, was taken into custody and charged with Possession of a Firearm by a Felon. He was released the same day on \$50,000 bond.

This is the second time he was arrested at that location. Garza and Gilbert Garcia were taken into custody during a pre-dawn raid by the Guadalupe County Sheriff’s Office SWAT team and Department of Public Safety on May 17.

During that incident, Garza was charged with Deadly Conduct, Endangering A Child and Possession of a Controlled Substance.

Here is the Gonzales Police Department Report for the period of June 18-July 8:

June 18
Reported Hit And Run Accident At 1000 Blk St. Andrew St.



John Andrew Garza

Reported Theft At 800 Blk St. Joseph St.

Reported Assault At 600 Blk College St.

June 19
Reported Burglary Motor Vehicle/Criminal Mischief At 2500 Blk Harwood Rd.

Kedrick Jermaine Cray, 19 Of Gonzales, Arrested And Charged With Deadly Conduct/Prohibited Weapon At 1700 Blk Waco St.

Reported Assault At 1700 Blk Waco St.

June 20
Reported Criminal Mischief At 800 Blk Church St.

Joe Angel Arizpe, 20 Of Gonzales, Arrested And Charged With Possession Of Marijuana/Evading At 500 Blk College St.

Reported Credit Card Abuse At 1100 Blk Sarah Dewitt Dr.

Reported Burglary Habitation At 2000 Blk Zint St.

June 21
15-Year Old Male Charged With Possession Of Marijuana At College And Espinosa.

Reported ID Theft At 300 Blk St. Joseph St.

June 23
Michael Ray San Miguel, 26 Of Seguin, Arrested And Charged With No Drivers License At 1200 Blk College St.

Reported Criminal Mischief At 1500 Blk St. Peter St.

Reported Theft At 100 Blk Sarah Dewitt Dr.

June 25
Reported Theft At 1600 Blk Sarah Dewitt Dr.

June 26
Reported Burglary Habitation At 100 Blk Cone St.

June 27
Reported Assault At Independence Park.

June 29
Reported Theft At 900 Blk Cuero St.

Reported Hit And Run Accident At 2400 Blk Church St.

Reported Criminal Mischief At 1300 Blk Fischer St.

Jonathan Eugene Hunt, 34 Of Gonzales, Arrested And Charged With Possession Of Marijuana/Failure To ID/Outstanding Warrant.

June 30

Daniel Navejar, 39 Of Gonzales, Arrested And Charged With Assault Public Servant/Evading/Resisting and Sandy Hidalgo, 38 Of Gonzales, Arrested And Charged With Hinder Apprehension At 200 Blk St. Joseph St.

July 1

Adriana Lopez, 30 Of Gonzales, Arrested And Charged With Assault At 1200 Blk Hamilton St.

Reported Theft At 2100 Blk College St.

Reported Interference With Child Custody At 700 Blk Seydel St.

July 2

Dustin Shane Padgett, 27 Of Gonzales, Arrested And Charged With Unlawful Carrying A Weapon At 1900 Blk Hickson St.

Reported Theft At 100 Blk Sarah Dewitt Dr.

Reported Credit Card Abuse At 200 Blk Thornton St.

July 3

Reported Hit And Run Accident At 1100 Blk Sarah Dewitt Dr.

Reported Burglary Habitation At 2000 Blk St. Joseph St.

Cornelio Perez, 41 Of Mexico, Arrested And Charged With Evading At 183 And 90-A.

July 4

Reported Theft At 1600 Blk Sarah Dewitt Dr.

July 5

John Andrew Garza, 29 Of Gonzales, Arrested And Charged With Possession Of A Firearm By Felon At 100 Blk St. George St.

Reported ID Theft At 700 Blk St. Paul St.

Reported Criminal Trespass At 100 Blk Tanglewood Tr.

July 6

Reported Theft At 3300 Blk Johnson St.

Karl William Jarmon, 18 Of Schulenburg, Arrested And Charged With Possession Of Marijuana At 1100 Blk Sarah Dewitt Dr.

July 7

Reported Assault At 900 Blk Espinosa Street.

July 8

Reported Burglary Building At 1400 Blk St. Louis St.

Reported Theft At 900 Blk Cuero St.

Reported ID Theft At 800 Blk Church St.

Reported Criminal Mischief At 1300 Blk Fischer St.

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The Main Street Summer Concert Series Fourth of July Spectacular



Shane Lloyd aka "Magic Mike" was the winner of the Men's Bikini Contest. (Photo by Mark Lube)



Dory Janea Gonzales placed first in the ages 6-8 division of the Watermelon Eating Contest. Not pictured are Sebastian Matamoros and Destiny Voigt, who tied for second place. (Photo by Cedric Iglehart)



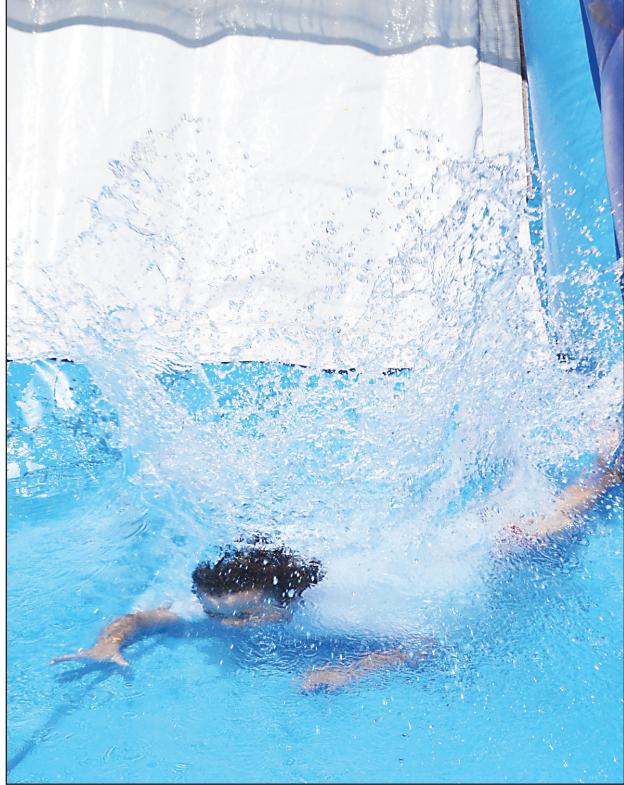
Juan Licea placed first in the ages 12-13 division of the Watermelon Eating Contest. (Photo by Cedric Iglehart)



Los Krazy Cooks won first place in Brisket at the Barbecue and Bean Cookoff. Team members were David Valdez, Ernest Gonzales, Elojio De Luna, Pete De Luna, PJ De Luna. The team was sponsored by the American Legion. (Photo by Mark Lube)



Carson Reese placed first in the ages 9-11 division of the Watermelon Eating Contest. (Photo by Cedric Iglehart)



This youngster took advantage of the inflatable water slide to help combat the hot conditions. (Photo by Cedric Iglehart)



Gonzales Knights of Columbus won first place in Ribs at the Barbecue and Bean Cookoff. Team members were Kevin La Fleur, Justin La Fleur, Joe Kotwig, Joseph Kridler, Daniel Tomas, Michael Fougerat and Tommy Schurig. (Photo by Mark Lube)



Texan Nursing/Davis Insurance won first place in Beans and Chicken, and took second place in Ribs at the Barbecue and Bean Cookoff. Team members were Lawrence Kuntschik, Louis Kuntschik, Mike Davis and Brett Kuntschik. (Photo by Mark Lube)



The winners from the Decorated Bicycle Parade were (from left) Slayden Boehn, third place; Tenley Matias, second place; and Stephanie Martinez, first place. (Photo by Mark Lube)



Aaliyah Bolden, age 7, won "My Momma Told Me," a game where kids were asked to imitate their mothers. She is shown with residents from The Heights of Gonzales, who served as judges for the contest. (Photo by Cedric Iglehart)

REGION

Hallettsville to seek new community block grant

By SAMMY ROBERTS

Special to The Cannon

HALLETTSVILLE — Hallettsville city council saluted outgoing librarian Carol Morisak upon her retirement during its July 2 regular monthly meeting, and also approved plans to apply for a community development block grant.

Morisak is stepping down after 33 years being in charge of the French Simpson Memorial Library, and delivered her final report to the council during the meeting. She said this year's summer Reading program has been a big success, attracting more than 90 children each week.

The Council also voted to seek a \$275,000 block grant for water line replacement. The city would have to match those funds with \$27,500 in local revenues.

Council had awarded a bid of \$208,545 in June to replace water lines, and on Monday also approved additional work by the contractor which would require an additional \$112,062 more than previously budgeted.

In other action, the council waived a park curfew to enable Lavaca County Girl Scouts to hold a sleepover July 13 at the Youth Center, and also named Mayor Warren Grineland and council member Alice Jo Summers as its representatives on the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission General Assembly and Board of Directors.



New downtown flagpole

Through a partnership between Luling American Legion Post #177, Luling Main Street, and the City of Luling, the new Downtown Luling Flagpole was installed on Davis Street (behind the Santa Claus platform), just days after the annual Watermelon Thump. The Flag Raising and Dedication Ceremony held on Friday, June 29, was attended by more than 40 people, including City Manager Bobby Berger, City Councilwoman Jackie Campbell, and several downtown business owners. The flags were raised by Veterans George Benner, Richard Whitaker and Post Commander David Radke. As the flags went up, the National Anthem was sung acapela by 9-year-old Savannah Rose Heximer. Luling Main Street Vice President Isaac Anzaldua delivered a brief speech to the crowd explaining the joint project, the crowd said the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge, and Luling Main Street Manager Nikki Maxwell read a poem titled, "I am Old Glory." The President of the Ladies Auxiliary, Madeline Seydler, delivered the Invocation and Benediction prayers. Members of the Luling American Legion built and donated the flagpole and the three flags now flying from it - American flag, Texas flag, and POW/MIA flag. The City of Luling donated the time, labor and industrial materials to install the 35 foot flagpole. (Photo courtesy Nikki Maxwell, Luling Main Street)



Community Pride

KMB presented the June Community Pride Award to St. Joseph's Catholic Church. The grounds and flower beds of the church are always meticulously maintained and the recently completed Resurrection Chapel, complete with landscaping and potted foliage, is a wonderful addition to the church grounds. (Courtesy photo)

JULY FREEDOM RALLY

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LISD to extend high school day

By SAMMY ROBERTS

Special to The Cannon

LULING — Partial block scheduling and a lengthened school day were approved as part of plans to heighten a focus on academic progress at Luling High School during the June 25 meeting of the Luling ISD Board of Trustees.

High school principal J.L. Timms gave the board a presentation in favor of lengthening the school day until 4 p.m., with an eight-period schedule there days per week and block scheduling on Tuesdays and Thursdays. He said the additional instruction time would enable staff to increase the amount of intervention and remediation time during the school week.

Luling High School is currently under academic supervision as a result of poor performance on the state accountability tests. Timms said progress in the last year has school staff hopeful the school

will upgrade its status during the next assessment period.

As part of that Texas Education Agency supervision, the school is required to implement a new curriculum as well as reorganize staff to foster improvement achievement for low-performing students.

"It's not time to panic," Timms told the board. "It is time to act to plan for success."

Timms outlined a number of measures the district is already taking, including an increased number of career/technical class offerings.

During the meeting, district chief financial officer Stephanie Timms also gave the board a comparison between tax rates in the district and several neighboring districts. She told trustees that Luling ranked 12th among those districts and the school district may be looking at a slight increase in the interest and sinking tax rate necessary to cover the district's debt next year.

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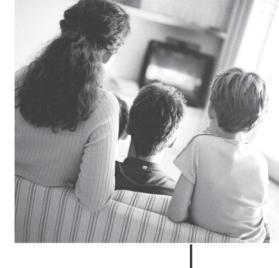
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There will be a presentation of the scholarship awards. A meal with meat will be furnished and members are asked to bring a side dish or dessert.

For more information, call president Margaret Zella at 830-263-0395.

Church Anniversary

Union Lea will be celebrating its 104th Church Anniversary at 3:00 p.m. On July 15, 2012. Guest Speaker Pastor Dr. James Nunn of the Mt. Eden Baptist Church. Come help us Praise the Lord. Pastor Moderator Dr. Kenneth Green.

Basketball Tourney

Basketball Tournament Saturday, July 14, 2012 at Gonzales Independent Park. \$25 a team. For Registration call Melvin Calvin at 830-557-3075. Winner Takes All!

Young Farmers Barbecue

The Gonzales Young Farmers are having the Fifth Sunday Barbecue To Go on Sunday July 29. Orders will be taken for whole brisket \$45, half brisket \$25, whole pork loin \$35, half pork loin \$20 and pork ribs \$25.

Orders are to be picked up at the old showbarn in Independence Park between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Deadline for orders is Sunday, July 22.

To place orders or for more information, contact Ken Hedrick at 830-857-5332, Kenneth Fink at 830-857-6355, Charles Rochester 830-857-5366 or any Gonzales Young Farmers member.



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Gonzales Council OKs overtime for employees

By DAVE MUNDY

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The Gonzales City Council approved a policy change allowing overtime pay for city employees during Tuesday's meeting, a move City Manager Allen Barnes said will be a shot in the arm for the morale of the city's hourly workers.

Current city policy authorized the warding of "comp time" — time off — city hourly employees, and Barnes said during a recent workshop the practice was handicapping the city because many of the hourly workers were being sent home when they were needed the most.

Barnes said that higher pay being offered by oilfield companies is siphoning off many of the city's skilled hourly workers, while shifting their work onto others.

GISD gets perfect score on financial rankings

By DAVE MUNDY

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Gonzales ISD is celebrating a perfect score on its annual financial accountability ratings.

GISD received a score of 70 out of 70 on this year's School First ratings, district trustees were told during Monday's regular monthly school board meeting.

"Last year we got 69 out of 70 because we were carrying extra fund balance, but this year because of the construc-

tion that was not an exception," deputy superintendent Larry Wehde said.

Superintendent Dr. Kim Strozier said Wehde and the business office staff do an "exemplary job" in handling the district's finances.

During Monday's meeting, Wehde also provided an update on the ongoing construction projects at all three elementary campuses. He said contractors are hoping to have the gym completed at North Avenue Intermediate by the

start of the fall term and that "major pushes" were underway on cafeteria facilities at Gonzales Elementary and East Avenue.

In other action, trustees also approved a memorandum of understanding between the school district and the Gonzales ISD Education Foundation; approved Update 94 from the Texas Association of School Boards; and approved the 2012 Budget/Tax Adoption Planning Calendar.

ALLEN: Life term for attack

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David Lee Allen

vious charges of criminal mischief. He was in the fifth month of serving a one-year probation for the last one when he was arrested for this current incident.

"I've been made out to be some kind of monster, but that's not me," he said. "I've never been that, I'm an easy-going guy who easy to get along with."

Following a testimony of support by Allen's mother, Mary Brown, ADA Allen gave his recommendation to the court.

"He couldn't have done anything more to the victim," he said. "He broke into her house, he physically assaulted her and he assaulted her sexually. She has to live with that every day."

"We feel that the only appropriate sentence for him is life because while he didn't do it physically, he did rob her of her life."

After handing down his sentence, Judge Kirkendall allowed another of the victim's daughters to read a statement that had been prepared by her mother.

"When you attacked me, you stole something from me. You kept hitting me over and over. You beat my face so much that you broke my nose, my cheekbones, my teeth and jaw. You walked off and left me for dead. When I woke up, I was choking in my own blood on the floor."

"The hospital had to wait two days to operate on my face because it was so swollen. You caused me so much pain and suffering that I still have nightmares."

"My scars might have healed on the outside, but the scars on the inside are still open and will never heal. You killed me that day, I'm not the same person anymore."

In another case on the docket, there were new de-

Keng also represents seven other people who arrested and charged with cruelty to livestock animals in connection with the incident. He said they are likely headed for a jury trial tentatively set for August 27.

"We're set for that time but the judge has indicated it's a possibility that we may not get reached because of the number of other trials set for that day," Keng said.

In other court developments from Wednesday:

• The pre-trial hearing for Milton Tyrone Mitchell was reset for July 27.

Mitchell was indicted by the grand jury in February for the December 2011 murder of Dylon James Green. Mitchell was released on \$50,000 bond one day after his arrest.

Mitchell had a hearing in April, where he was taken into custody after his bond was increased to \$150,000. He has been out of the Gonzales County Jail since posting bail on May 21.

• The non-jury trial for William Alex Malaer was reset for August 31.

Malaer was indicted by the grand jury in February on two counts of tampering with governmental records. The charges were the result from an investigation of funds missing from the City of Gonzales' Parks & Recreation Department.

Another Gonzales man, Simon Cantu, was sentenced to four years in a TDCJ institution after he pled guilty to assault of a public servant, a third degree felony. The 70-year old, who is infamous for his numerous public intoxication arrests, received 190 days credit for the time he spent in the Gonzales County Jail. His attorney, Bob Burchard, said Cantu will be evaluated while in prison so he can receive help.

The raid resulted in 15 persons being incarcerated in the Gonzales County Jail and about 20 persons were issued citations for "cruelty to animals" and released.

On Wednesday, charges were dropped against Martin Bernal of Aubrey, Michael Williams of Harwood, Dane Ratliff of Blanket, and Baltazar Garza of Stafford.

"The District Attorney moved for dismissal and I'm sure the judge is going to sign it," said Steven Keng, the men's defense attorney. "There was no evidence that they were participating in any way in the cock fight that was alleged to have occurred."

OBITUARIES

THARP

George W. Tharp entered into rest on July 6, 2012 in San Antonio, TX. he was born on Feb. 17, 1926, in Gonzales, TX to Walter J. and Mayme P. Tharp. He was preceded in death by his wife, Eva N. Tharp. Mr. Tharp is survived by his daughter, Debra Janell Mc-

Cauley and husband Billy; 3 grandchildren, Bryan McCauley and wife Shannon, Keith McCauley, and Laura Janell McCauley; 2 great-grandchildren, Aireal McCauley and Whitney McCauley; 3 sisters, Bonnie York, Audrey Kurtz and Betty Tullis; 3 brothers, Walter, James and Larry

Tharop; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Visitation will be held Thursday, July 12 from 5-7 p.m. A graveside service will be held Friday, July 13 at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery at 9:45 a.m. with Full Military Honors. In lieu of flowers donations may be sent to <http://www.alz.org>.

CITY: Phone poles in dispute

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"I don't know how this was not caught in planning," said Barnes of the project, which predates his tenure in office. "Verizon owns the poles and ... Verizon has not been right in this."

He said the company has been uncooperative in communicating with the city, and even wanted to charge the city for estimating the cost of moving the poles.

"They just flat-out refuse to move them," he said. "They have a utility pole in the bus lane at North Avenue (elementary school) they refuse to move, too."

The company provided the city an estimate of \$72,000 to move the five poles and sent a bill for \$580 for doing the estimate, but regional representatives have been otherwise reluctant to negotiate with the city, he said.

"They have dug their heels in," he said, adding that Verizon representatives have been "vindictive" in their reluctance to cooperate with the city.

"If we knock their poles down, they have to come get the wires, right?" jokingly offered Councilman Lorenzo Hernandez.

E-mails sent to Verizon's regional media relations representative soliciting comment had received no response at press time on Wednesday.

The entry into the Gonzales market of the Guadalupe Valley Telephone Cooperative may change the equation, however.

"I hope the public remembers this when GVTC becomes operational," Councilman Tommy Schurig commented.

"I think they're just being stubborn," noted Councilman Gary Schroeder, a GVTC employee. "Their business will be stagnant in a couple of months."

Schroeder offered the suggestion of the city seeking bids to perform the move, then taking those bids to Verizon, as a possible solution. The Council tabled action authorizing Barnes to seek a contract with Verizon to move the poles pending that outcome.

In other action Tuesday, the Council heard from a representative of the Daughters of the American Revolution that DAR will disband its board managing the Gonzales Memorial Mu-

seum until an agreement can be hammered out with the city on several issues, including repairs and maintenance.

Melanie Petru told the council the DAR had voted to cease operations at the Museum effective July 10 until an agreement can be worked out with the city, city personnel are provided to work the museum's archiving computer programs, the city-owned DAR Chapter House receives regular maintenance and cleaning from the city, and the city makes a commitment to needed repairs at the facility.

"Chief (Tim) Crow, our acting parks director, and I have corrected item two on that," Barnes told the council, saying that city personnel were now operating the Past Perfect programs.

He added the city was working on developing resources for the maintenance and upkeep issues as well, and "We concur with the DAR that an agreement is needed."

In other action Tuesday, the Council:

- Mayor Bobby Logan appointed Lupe Martinez to the Gonzales Housing Authority, and thanked outgoing board member Trey King for his years of service;

- Received a report on the building of an information kiosk at JB Wells park by Eagle Scout candidate Seth Rainey;

- Added Logan to the city's bank signatory list;

- Selected SGR to facilitate the development of the city's long-term Master Plan;

- Named Norma Jean DuBoise to calculate the city's 2012 effective and rollback tax rates;

- Approved the final plats for the Glass Estate Subdivision, a property expected to be the location of a new Walmart, as well as the final plat of the Country Corner Subdivision to enable a new business facility to be located next to O'Reilly's Auto Parts on Water St.;

- Tabled action on the approval of project plans for beautification of Texas Heroes Square;

- Passed ordinances giving the city manager the authority to approve subdivision plats with less than four lots, regulating bulk-trash storage on individual properties and a budget amendment for the city's wastewater-treatment line upgrades.

WELLS: City reorganizes

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nizing the facility as a separate city department. Council also approved the hiring of a clerk position full-time for the facility, using funds already in the budget.

"He bleeds JB Wells," Barnes said. "Mike has done a stellar job."

Council welcomed the transition, saying that the supervision of Barnes and Jeffrey has turned around mismanagement of the facility.

"I get lots of phone calls bragging on the job (Jeffrey) is doing," said Councilman Gary Schroeder.

The Council also moved Tuesday to implement a formal policy on declaring city property as surplus and putting it up for sale, in response to the sale of three city-owned golf carts recently which led to the termination of the parks director.

All three carts were sold to city employees, Barnes said, and while the sale violated no law, "it does not parallel our push for transparency."

Councilman Lorenzo Hernandez said the sale of the carts to city employees "sounded unethical," and Barnes said he agreed.

"It was not illegal, but it stunk to high heaven," he said.

City attorney Jackie Williamson said the employees who bought the carts were not at fault as well.

"This wasn't stolen property," she said. "They were innocent purchasers."

"I'll be honest with you, if I'd known they were \$500 apiece and above board, I'd have bought one, too," Barnes said.

Barnes told the council that one of the carts was recovered, but that two had been bought for family members in other parts of the state and it is unlikely they will be returned.

"City staff has been made painfully aware of what our policy is," Barnes said.

"It doesn't sound like it's going to happen again," Schroeder said.

"I can assure you it won't," Barnes responded.

The new policy requires city council action to declare property as "surplus" before it can be sold, then specifies how that property will be disposed.

In a related matter, the Council used the policy for the first time to declare an air compressor used by the Gonzales Fire Dept. surplus to enable Fire Chief Keith Schmidt to use the compressor as a trade-in to buy a newer model.

"Given my current sensitivity to surplus property, we wanted to bring this to you," Barnes said, eliciting a chorus of chuckles. He said that Schmidt had received an excellent offer for the trade-in, and the compressor is used to re-fill air tanks used by the firemen.

YOAKUM: Hears truckers

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a full report to the Council in August.

In other action Tuesday, the Council:

- Approved the appointment of Harrison, Waldrop & Uhrek, L.L.P. for auditing of City financial records for Fiscal Year ending September, 2012;

- Discussed the policy on waste rates charged for customers outside City limits;

- Approved the Yoakum Economic Development Corporation Annual Work Plan and Budget for FY 2012-13;

- Approved and adopted a City of Yoakum Records Disaster Response and Re-

covery Plan;

- Approved a professional services agreement with Schneider Engineering, Ltd. of Austin, Texas for an automated meter reading infrastructure program;

- Asked the City Manager to research the use of on-premise and off-premise signage within the City and to report back at a future meeting;

- Appointed Elorine Sitka and Tim McCoy to the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission's General Assembly;

- Took no action after returning from Executive Session.

Luling man facing charges

LULING — A nursing home assistant has been arrested and charged with sexually assaulting an elderly woman here.

David Myron Anderson, 48, a certified nursing assistant at Oakcreek Nursing and Rehabilitation was booked into Caldwell County Jail on Monday on a charge of sexual assault of an elderly person, Luling Police Chief Bill Sala said.

Sala said that police had been contacted about 7:30 p.m. that day by the nursing home at 1105 North Magnolia Avenue, when a male employee at the facility saw Anderson sexually assaulting the resident in one of the rooms, Sala said.

The witness fired Anderson and told him to leave the premises, Sala said. Police arrested him at his home about an hour later, Sala said.

IN OUR VIEW

Obamacare ruling a boon for business — in other countries

You'll be happy to know that the Supreme Court's approval of the federal government's right to force you to patronize an industry is good for business and will create thousands of new jobs.

In India.

That's right. According to BPOIndia.org, an online news service specializing in business process outsourcing (also known as "shipping jobs overseas"), the windfall for our good friends in Asia will amount to at least \$22 billion even before we start getting thrown into jail for refusing to pay the tax for not buying health insurance.

According to a July 5 article on the organization's website, the approval of Obamacare "...will unlock new deals worth \$22 billion for the outsourcing industry in India ... As per the new health-care act signed by Obama and which was later brought as a law, it makes mandatory for all the American citizens to buy health coverage in 2014 or else pay a huge penalty if they fail to buy."

Dances with Chihuahuas

Dave Mundy
General Manager



(Their prose, not mine. And you wonder why you can't understand them on the phone!)

"The reform will bring business for the Indian BPOs in the form of data creation and conversion, claims processing, management of health records and sales of insurance," the article continues. "It is anticipated that Indian companies need not wait till 2014 to bag the outsourcing contracts as the new decision will prompt the insurance players to opt outsourcing as a way to understand the new complex compliances. It is widely believed that Barack Obama's new reform announcement is going to help the Indian

IT/ITES companies to leverage their existing capabilities."

The same site also notes that the average salary of a BPO outsourcing employee in another English-speaking paradise, The Philippines, is now \$9,182.

I wonder: can we outsource our Congressional representation?

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In the wake of the decision, it's been interesting to see the re-energization of the various Tea Party and similar organizations — as well as the smug reaction from the Far Left.

The Tea Party became a force to be reckoned with in the first two years after Obama's election, and had a decided impact on the 2010 midterm elections.

Then it got "assimilated" by the mainstream Republican leadership and mostly faded from the public view ... resulting in the nomination of moderate Mitt Romney for the 2012 presidential race rather than someone with a more Tea Party-like mentality.

Suddenly, however, those dor-

mant Tea Party organizations are springing back to life, with rallies being planned and demonstrations organized. Several rallies have already been lined up in Highland Park and Fort Bend County.

And while it's energized the Tea Party, the Supreme Court decision has also wakened a few other causes.

The Texas Nationalist Movement's website has seen a 650 percent increase in traffic since the decision, and its Facebook page now reaches 126,000 people.

There have been more than 3,000 downloads of a book by TNM president Daniel Miller, *Line in the Sand*, in just a few days. And Miller reported Thursday that several dozen county organizations have sprung up over the last couple of weeks, including a new group in Gonzales County.

Interestingly enough, the reaction from the other side of the political fence sounds almost ... scripted.

The universal answer seems to

be that anyone opposed to the decision must be addicted to and misled by Fox News, since they're not smart enough to form opinions on their own.

"This study needed to go one step further. Of those who oppose, how many watch Fox News on a regular basis?" questioned Huffington Post user DevRock in one discussion.

"If Fox News came out tomorrow and endorsed the ACA, the half of the population that is against it, would suddenly be for it, for no reason other than a talking head said he was for it," claims Jim1657 on the same forum.

"People don't know how it works and those that get their info from FOX have been told so many lies instead of being given information needed to make a decision," adds Rita from PA.

I'm sure it would be disconcerting for the elitists to find that a lot of conservatives, like me, watch little to no television at all — much less being glued to Fox News 24/7.

Stopping the liberals at the local level will stop them nationally

Regardless of how one feels about the recent Supreme Court decision on Health Care, I personally agree with one of Chief Justice John Roberts' comments.

Roberts said "it is not the role of the Court to protect people from the consequences of their political choices. We can vote in a President and Congress who will repeal the law. It's up to us, not the court to change laws."

The Chief Justice has shown conservatives that "we the people" must act on and through Congress and the Presidency to defend their freedom from any law they dislike. While conservatives must defeat liberals at the national level to repeal Obama Care, they must also remember that local liberals mature into national liberals.

Two new organizations, the South Texas Alliance for Progress and the South Texas Political Alliance, have been formed to defeat local liberals before they mature to influence national policy. These two organizations will develop a new generation of local conservatives to affect and influence state and local public policy so they can eventually mature to impact national policy.

Remember how the liberals in the Texas House and Senate have fought against voter identification? Remember how they fled the state when they faced defeat on budget issues? Remember how they have wanted to impose Obama's liberal agenda and policies on Texas?

The public needs to be educated and informed about local issues from a conservative point, AND we must elect local conservative candidates that will support conservative local public policies.

For example, voter turnout in San Antonio was in the single digits for the mayor's

El Conservador

George Rodriguez



George Rodriguez is a San Antonio resident. He is the former President of the San Antonio Tea Party, and is now Executive Director of the South Texas Political Alliance. He is a former official in the U.S. Justice Dept. during the Reagan Administration.

re-election and for a recent half-billion dollar bond. An uninformed and apathetic electorate cannot protect their personal liberties and freedoms, or their money from the federal or local governments.

The Alliance for Progress is focused on educating, informing, and engaging local business, political and community leaders about how existing and proposed government policies affect south Texas communities.

The Political Alliance identifies, supports, elects, and defends local candidates in south Texas who promote the fundamental American values of limited government, free enterprise, and personal responsibility.

Roberts also wrote in his Health Care opinion that important "decisions are entrusted to our Nation's elected leaders, who can be thrown out of office if the people disagree with them. It is not our job to protect the people from the consequences of their political choices."

The road map is laid out to change the status quo of the local liberal political agenda. Citizens should remember that statement the next time they hear "it's not a tax, it's a penalty."



Liberals celebrating, but the battle over Obamacare isn't over

Rich Lowry



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Plans haven't yet begun for the monument to John Roberts on the National Mall. These things take time. Until the groundbreaking, liberals must content themselves with bestowing national sainthood on Roberts and with declaring the health-care debate definitively over. It's time for everyone to accept a new \$1 trillion entitlement profoundly affecting the direction of American health care and focus on issues of concern to every civic-minded American, such as: Did Mitt Romney outsource a call center as Massachusetts governor?

ObamaCare has been declared over repeatedly and consistently. During the debate over its passage, it was always one more Obama speech from being settled once and for all. Afterward, Democrats predicted there was no way to repeal it, and its popularity was just around the corner.

The court challenge was pooh-poohed as another instance of futile resistance. Now

that the law has barely hung on thanks to the Roberts triple lutz, the state of the debate is said to be -- as ever -- over.

If so, supporters have lost it in the arena of public opinion. Upon its passage, the New York Times/CBS poll found that it had 32 percent support. Before the Supreme Court decision, the New York Times/CBS poll found its support essentially unchanged at 34 percent. A different poll -- from Reuters/Ipsos D found a majority, 52 percent, still disapproved of it in the immediate wake of headlines about the Supreme Court's blessing.

The law has lacked popular legitimacy from the beginning, and is still struggling for it. Its major features are yet to be implemented. Republicans remain unified in their opposition and commitment to repeal. The cry that the debate is over is an attempt to short-circuit that very debate in a self-fulfilling prophecy.

The law is hardly the picture of stability. States have been slow to set up the complex insurance exchanges as stipulated by

the law. If they don't, the federal government will be hard-pressed to set up the exchanges on its own. As amended by John Roberts, the law is more unstable. He gives states the option to refuse the law's Medicaid expansion. He weakens the individual mandate. Both of the Roberts changes mean the law may ultimately cover fewer people.

How about all the wonders of the law? Doesn't it reduce the deficit? Only under optimistic Congressional Budget Office projections. Doesn't it keep young adults up to the age of 26 on their parents' insurance plans? Most insurance companies will probably do this anyway. Its two central selling points, insuring millions more people and keeping people with pre-existing conditions from getting locked out of insurance, can be addressed with policies that are cheaper and less disruptive (a tax credit for purchase of insurance and high-risk pools, respectively).

When they set out to pass health-care reform, Democrats could have built public support for a sweeping law, or scaled back their ambitions. They did neither. Their insistence that the debate is over is a function of their continued failure to win genuine acceptance of the law. It's still up in the air, even after the great John Roberts has spoken.

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In Your View

An interview with Texas GOP Chair Steve Munisteri

Brune: Steve, please introduce yourself to our audience.

Munisteri: I'm the state chairman of the Republican Party of Texas. That's an elected position from delegates. And I'm the chief administrative officer and spokesman for the party that includes making sure our elections and primaries get held, making sure we support our candidates, hold our conventions, and lobby the legislature.

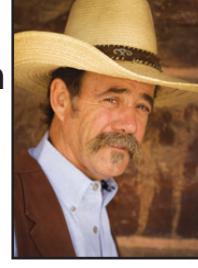
Brune: How many years have you been the chairman?

Munisteri: I got elected in 2010 and I was just reelected. The by-laws say that a person may run four times, two years apiece. But I made it known that I would only stay four years. We've never had a chairman make it eight years. (Laughs) We've had three chairmen that lasted six years. But they always get burned out and resign. The average chairman in the U.S. lasts 18 months. It's unpaid, full time, a lot of stress, a lot of responsibility; you get sued all the time... so most people with any sanity realize it's not something you want to do long term. So I self-imposed a four-year term limit.

Brune: A county chairman may advise elected officials concerning

Looking Down from the Saddle

Herman Brune



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a constituency's wants and needs. Do you do that on a state level?

Munisteri: That plays a large part in my job. Before the legislative session I did a poll telling county chairs and SREC reps to pick three or four key issues that are the main grassroots concerns. Then I go to the Capitol and meet with leadership, reps, state senators, and explain to them that these issues are what the grassroots want to get done.

Brune: How do laws such as "Hate Crimes" and "Affirmative Action" get passed? What sort of conversations go on around the Capitol that allows laws that are seemingly unconstitutional to be passed?

Munisteri: I think some legislators believe that if something is unconstitutional it will get challenged in the courts. But if you're a strict constitutionalist you'll see that it hasn't always been the case that legislators wait for the courts to rule. It was once an assumed function of legislators that they themselves would consider the constitutionality before they passed a law. So, you had two layers of protection – the legislators and the courts. By and large that first function has eroded when legislators deferred to the courts. And, I think, that's not the best way to do things. When you take an oath to uphold the Constitution you can't put off that responsibility on someone else. The first question a lawmaker should ask about new legislation is whether you can do it under the U.S. Constitution, and then under the Texas Constitution. If you can't answer, "yes", both times, you can't do it.

Brune: Would you please explain the process of building the GOP platform?

Munisteri: The GOP is organized under Robert's Rules of Order. So theoretically the platform expires at the start of each new convention. Most people

think the platform is there forever when actually it gets rebuilt every time. The last platform has 269 planks. Of course, you've got the old document to give you a jump start, but the platform is supposed to be rewritten from scratch. The platform had not been overhauled for several decades. So at this last convention, the committee spent three days, a 31 person committee with a delegate from every senatorial district went over the entire platform. Then they had a "proposed" platform that went before the entire convention and was debated. It was the longest debate in over a decade. We were supposed to be done by five p.m. but debate lasted until eleven p.m. People got their say, and now we have a new platform.

Brune: Is the platform process really a grassroots effort or is there guidance from the GOP Party?

Munisteri: It is a pure grassroots process. As the state chairman I never met with platform committee concerning what to put in the platform. It really developed from three days of grassroots delegates. "Immigration" was an amazing topic. You had members of the Minutemen Militia agreeing with members of Hispanic groups say-

ing that they came up with reasonable proposals. And that is not the way most newspapers have portrayed the proposal which says any immigration reform must be tied to border security. It's not an amnesty program but does provide a guest worker's program. It requires anyone here illegally to turn themselves in, pay a fine, be sponsored by an employer, give up any claim to government assistance, and pay for their own medical insurance.

Brune: There was a breakout session at the convention entitled "Uniting the Republican Party and balancing the budget". The speaker was Ron Paul. I expected him to throw his support to Romney and unify the party, but that didn't happen. It was a Ron Paul rally.

Munisteri: Breakout sessions were voluntary. People that wanted to hear him could go but otherwise if that wasn't your interest, you didn't have to go. He chose the topic. Later that evening, after the session, Congressman Paul announced that he was no longer actively campaigning, and said he didn't expect to be the Republican nominee. And then his son, Rand Paul, endorsed Mitt Romney.

End of year honors, financial projections and dress code changes

Dear Gonzales ISD School and Community Family,

As we end a great year, we begin another. The summer months are busy with activities that directly affect school year 2012-2013. We are busy hiring new personnel, projecting a budget, completing construction, learning new approaches in all areas and examining instructional interventions and curriculum resources. Steven Covey coined the phrase, "Begin with the end in mind." This statement is pertinent to us in all of these areas.

We are a strong team of professionals in GISD. I commend faculty and staff accomplishments and thank all for a job well done! I am exited each time that I witness the dedication and commitment exemplified by staff committed to our district for years of services from 5 to over 40 years. We recently held our end of year recognition ceremony where we recognized approximately 40 people for these years of service. Additionally, we honored our retirees, who dedicated years to education and served students from 21-40 years throughout their careers. We were able to name employees of the year selected by each campus and department for exemplary service to our children. We named Teachers of the Year, recognizing Ruby Ruth Rodriguez, who was also a retiree, from East Avenue, Angela Zumwalt from Gonzales Elementary, Van Ney from North Avenue Intermediate, Sherry Simper from Gonzales Jr. High and Karen Fougerat from Gonzales High School. We are honored to support Karen Fougerat and Angela Zumwalt as they advance to the Regional level to represent GISD in the Regional Teacher of the Year selection process. It is always special to remember our staff for the commitment and dedication to our district. Additionally, we have hired new personnel who come to us with strong experiences that we are confident will complement our current strengths in performance, and bring a wealth of knowledge and excitement to our school system in the

Superintendent's Letter

Dr. Kim Strozier



Dr. Kimberly Strozier is superintendent of Gonzales ISD.

coming school year.

We are making financial projections. Budget work is well underway as we move forward in making projections. Land values have increased as you would have expected with the current oil and gas activity. This has a direct effect on school district revenues. At this time, we are projecting GISD to be named a Chapter 41 school district for the 2013-14 fiscal year. What this means for us is that we will receive increased revenue for 2012-13. When determining school district funding it is always important to look ahead at future funding projections. If GISD continues to see land values increase, state funding decreases. If all holds true, we will eventually see limited to no revenue from the state. In the past, GISD was predominantly funded by state dollars at approximately 70% with local and federal dollars making up the balance. As a future Chapter 41 district, local dollars will fund the district. As a result of higher property values we must work to lower the tax rate to what is termed an effective rate. This will essentially assist us in balancing the increased revenue. If we surpass what the state deems the district must have to operate based on the 2005 tax rate for the district, the district will have to send money to the state. You may have heard of the Robin Hood term in the past. This is essentially what that means. So as we complete a budget for 2012-13, we must anticipate how our decisions could affect us two years in the future.

We are currently completing Phase 3 construction projects. We are excited to see the progress each

day. We look forward to the completion of the major projects including increased cafeteria space and the bus drive at East Avenue, the canopy at Gonzales Elementary, and the gym and classroom space at North Avenue. Additionally, we watch our student enrollment numbers grow each year. Our classroom space in our schools is at or within a classroom or two of capacity. This year as we study the projected demographics for our county and school district, we will be thinking of current needs and district needs in the coming years. Decisions that we make now will affect GISD for the next 20-30 years.

We are continuous learners. Staff development is a highly important piece to offering the very best in educational service to our students. This summer our leadership team has attended an Administrators' Academy and will take part in advanced training focused on Response to Intervention (RTI) aimed at meeting the needs of specific gaps in performance for individual students, CSCOE which is our foundation curriculum providing alignment between grade levels and content areas, and a book study supported by our belief in lifelong learning.

This year one of the books our team will study is the Jim Collins' book entitled Good to Great in which Collins describes the major indicators of organizations that make the transition to becoming leaders in their professions outperforming similar organizations. The other book is written by John Maxwell and is entitled The Right to Lead. This particular book describes characteristics of great leaders of the past. While we believe that the biggest difference in a child's education at school is made by the classroom teacher. We also know from many studies, and in the Collins findings as well, the leader is the key indicator and influence in becoming great at what we do in our profession. We have great leaders in our district. I commend our school board for their leadership expertise and support of our school system. I believe in our principals and direc-

tors for their work in supporting and providing for the resources necessary for teachers and staff to meet student needs. Our quest for always offering excellence and outperforming the norm will be a continual endeavor as standards change. Our motto Our Students, Our Focus, Our Future drives our challenge to go from "good to great".

Instructionally speaking we have incorporated change in many ways to our curriculum recently. Our reading performance is paramount to student success. If you have ever heard the concept that during the school years, students in Pre-Kinder through 3rd grade are learning to read; while students in 4th-12th grade are reading to learn, there is some correlation; however, students never completely stop learning to read. Continuous reading at anytime, any opportunity and any age will make a strong reader out of anyone. However, the focus to learn basic reading skills still rules in the primary and elementary grades. We work to strengthen the basics with our young students by incorporating a Balanced Literacy Model. This type of approach focuses instruction on phonics, vocabulary, comprehension, fluency and phonemic awareness.

Last year, in order to support phonics, our young readers, beginning with Pre-Kindergarten were afforded another learning/strengthening strategy for knowledge of letters and sounds with Zoo Phonics. See website at <http://www.zoo-phonics.com/>. Additionally, we are using a guided reading program written by Fountas and Pinnell. These authors have researched methodologies supporting individual students in learning to read. The program supports a balanced literacy approach and provides an overview on leveled readers and the authors at <http://www.heinemann.com/authors/2595.aspx>. Students are reading leveled readers with progressive levels of difficulty according to a monitoring system designed for the individual by a system entitled

Rigby PM Benchmark. You can read about the system at the following site: http://rigby.hmhco.com/en/resources/result_c.htm?c=a=Research%3a+Foundational&S=RC1=5. Of course, among other supplemental resources and interventions, Accelerated Reader and Read Naturally have also been used to strengthen new knowledge. This year we piloted the use of iPADS in the first grade. When instruction in reading was supported with technology applications, reading results improved significantly. We plan to expand and continue the use of iPADS for technology integration in the classroom.

We had a lot to catch up on! Thanks always for allowing me this opportunity to share with you! Be sure to check out the district website for teacher recognitions and other updates. Currently, there have been a few minor changes to the dress code (No. 7,8 and 9 items).

• School appropriate shirts are: Collared Polo shirts, T-Shirts (must have a hemmed neck line) deemed appropriate (in item 8 and 9 below), and Collared button front straight hem (front and back of shirt same length) shirts may be worn un-tucked; however the shirts cannot extend below the top of the back pockets.

• PK-12 Gonzales Apache spirit shirts, brand name t-shirts, athletic shirts, appropriate college shirts, and school organization shirts may be worn.

• PK-4 students may wear t-shirts and shirts that depict caricatures may be worn (examples Winnie the Pooh, Cinderella, Clowns, Balloons, Flowers, etc); however, shirts may not depict inappropriate caricatures (dragons, snakes, swords, etc.).

Please know that as we plan ahead in GISD, we will continually be reflecting on how what we do will best serve our students in the end. We have so much to be proud of in GISD. Our vision is EXCELLENCE FOR ALL.

Congratulating VC's new graduates for their dedication

Guest Commentary

Jennifer Yancey



Jennifer Yancey is the vice president of College Advancement and External Affairs at Victoria College.

will each receive a \$4,000 scholarship. You will also get a chance to meet our "What's Your Story?" scholarship winners who have overcome obstacles and are now on

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"It is truly rewarding to see the value that our community places on education and training, and it is heartwarming to see the difference a gift to the VC Foundation makes in the lives of local students," said Dr. Ruth Constant, president of the VC Foundation. "Our scholarship recipients are very deserving, and we are extremely proud of each of them. We are so thankful for our scholarship donors and

their willingness to help make students' educational dreams come true."

Our region is fortunate to have leaders such as Dr. Constant, along with all the members of the VC Foundation Board of Directors, who are committed to supporting higher education.

Thanks to the generosity of supporters, the VC Foundation is able to provide scholarships, enhance learning opportunities for students, and assist in supporting projects that enrich lives and the vitality of the Crossroads region.

I invite you to take a look at VC's special section in today's newspaper, which recognizes recent graduates from Victoria and the surrounding communities.

Additionally, today's insert highlights nine exceptional students who have been awarded the Distinguished Scholar Award and who

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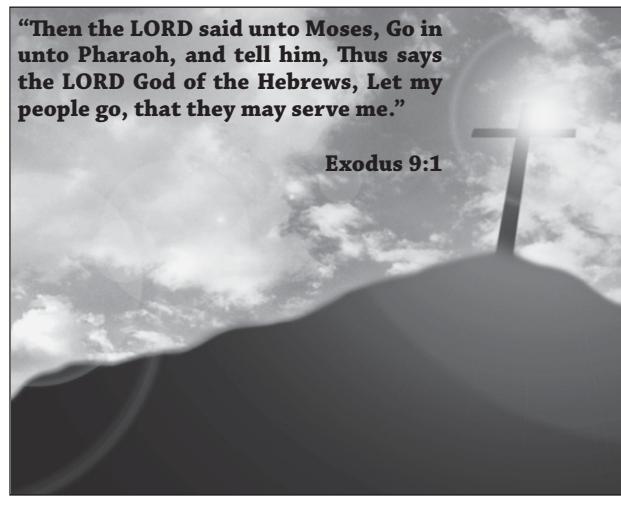
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The thunder rolls, but the rain was welcome

Goodness, I don't know whether you nearly got knocked out of your house by thunder rattling the windows, but we did. We had been grocery shopping and when we came out of the store, I commented on those big clouds to our North, but speculated that we wouldn't have to worry about them. We had been home long enough to put some groceries away when thunder started rumbling. Oh that was some of the brightest most blinding lightning I have seen in a long time. It was just about continuous and honestly, the house did shake. The rain was wonderful. I know that there were some power outages over near Leesville and reports of three inches of rain.

Thanks to everyone for their support of the Scholarship Fund Raiser at the Men's Brotherhood at the Monthalia Methodist Church Parish Hall. Every plate was sold. The auction brought in a goodly amount and then some donations were added to that. Your support was certainly appreciated.

The Belmont Community Center will have their regular meeting on the fourth Tuesday of July, the 24th, at 2PM, at the center.

I apologize that I did not remember I had flowers for church at Monthalia on Sunday. I will try to help the rest of you remember. Lori Lindemann, July 15; Carol and Wayne Siepmann, July 22; Leigh Coke, July 29th.

Please lift the following people up in your prayers: Justin Kloesel, Rose Rivera, Joe Kotwig, Lisa Rodriguez, Christian, Diana Garcia, Terry Bowman,

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Bill and Marie Lott, Doris Hewell, "Sarge" Dunkin; Louise Jones, Katy West, Aunt Georgie Gandre; Danny and Joyce Schellenberg, Mildred O'Neal, Doug Walshak, Selma Vickers, Gene Robinson, Keith Glass, Joyce and Jack Black, Teresa Wilke, Sandi Gandre, Rev A. C. Newman, Aunt Betty Gandre, Fay Linda Neslonay, Marie Schauer, Esther Lindemann, Buster Lindemann, Anna Lindemann, Tony Black, Susie Cagle, Noreen Soefje, Lanny Baker, Ann Bond; Case Martin, Marquerite Williams, Shirley Dozier, Matt and Betty Lou, the family of Susie Vordenbaum Dolezal, the family of Evelyn Newman, the family of Pete Kallies; and the family of Alvin Hewell, Please remember our enlisted people and their families. Please pray for some rain. Some of us got rain, but we need a general soaking. And once again, please pray for our troops and their families and honor them wherever they are.

I saw where Justin Kloesel's mother thanked everyone for their prayers for Justin. Justin is one young person that you need to put on your permanent prayer list and pray for every day. As his mother said, he has a long road to recovery, and it is not an easy one. It looks like we have quite a few birthdays to celebrate this week. Jan Finch and

Joy Fink celebrate birthdays. My nephew, Jesse, celebrates a birthday in there somewhere, along with Lu Fullilove and Glennette Willmann.

Maybe Glennette Willmann was getting an early birthday present as she and Connly were out for the evening eating supper. It was good to see them. It was good to see Dennis Trammel and his wife too. We get to see Dennis more often now than when he and Will were working together.

They had a little party down in Leesville for the Fourth of July. The youngsters had a little dancing and a few fireworks. Mostly they just got together and had fun. That is the main thing.

We seem to be having a little problem with fires along Hwy 80 involving bales of hay. We also seem to have a very kind and generous neighbor. Thanks also to the Belmont Fire Department.

We send our deepest sympathy to Doris Hewell and family. Alvin was always there like a rock. I know that he had really been battling things for a long time. Alvin truly loved life and living, with that certain twinkle in his eye. That we all will miss but we know that he no longer has to struggle to cope in this life and that makes a difference.

On the last open mike Wednesday at Belmont Social Club Doug Parker, Brian Kessler, and Mr. Moore, and Will Gandre had a lot of fun performing. It so happened that Clint Martin was around that night and sang a couple of songs. So I asked about Case. He is still doing well but has to still stay away from large crowds as his immune system is still building up. So still keep praying for Case Martin.

As soon as the first raindrops hit, Samson got upset. Whew, his ears started bending back until they were almost even with his head. That big black cat just sat there in the middle of the room like a statue. I don't guess it helped that I was sitting in the middle of the bed covering my ears going "AHH". Every time it thundered Twerp ran around the bed barking her head off. That goofy little dog!!

Have a good week, and God Bless.

Pilot Club officers

On right, Scottie Beth Baker, President, Dr. Cindy Jackson, Vice President, Pat Heinemeyer, Treasurer, Sharon Tenberg, Secretary, Pam Parker, Corresponding Secretary, Ann Covert, Marianne Hayes, Jackie Gandre, Renee Rathmann, Directors.

Finding life's hidden treasure

Love, Eloise

Eloise Estes



ing it was worthless?

But, when you think of it, there is hidden treasure everywhere that is worthless simply because no one knows it is there, or doesn't know how to tap into it. Tapping into hidden potential may be as simple as learning to listen and follow your heart—just like Ira did.

I can't guarantee that you will become a billionaire by learning to listen to the quiet voice within you; however, I can guarantee that if you learn to listen and follow that inner voice, above all others, you won't be led in the wrong direction. This is especially true if you are a Christian.

Far too many of us are swayed by what is apparent to the eye, tending to make decisions based on what we can clearly see. And living by sight may be the reason we miss out on opportunities that are sitting right under our noses. For, you see, intuition is very often the voice of God trying to guide us toward the biggest blessing of our lives.

Christians have been given limitless potential for supernatural living.

It is not our heritage to be overcome by the pressures of the world, living in fear and anxiety. We are not meant to be enslaved to the devil and falling into constant sin. We shouldn't be begging like paupers for what we already possess. But we do. Even with this supernatural potential within us there are those among us who exhibit the signs of spiritual poverty. What are the signs? Unloving, lustful, critical, complaining, greedy, envious, frustrated, confused, worried, stressed, discouraged, and aimless.

Why is this the case? Because—even though the Holy Spirit immediately indwells a person at the time of salvation—not everyone fully understands their rights as God's children. Christians have the ability to make the right decisions because we have the guidance and wisdom of God at our disposal. We have the

ability to love unconditionally and to forgive the people who've hurt us. We have the power to overcome every hardship because we have the power of God in us. Yet, it is left untapped because the Holy Spirit can't operate in our lives without our permission.

Did you get that? God needs our permission to work through us. We have to turn the power on. How? Let go. Let God. The Holy Spirit can't work through a person who won't humble himself and submit to whatever God wants. A person who won't allow Christ's Spirit to walk and breathe through him will never experience their available blessings. An individual must desire to put Christ in the center of his life and resolve to keep his mind fixed on Jesus. A person must search for ways to please

God by his words, thoughts and actions. Additionally, scripture is the spiritual food needed to regenerate the mind and enliven the body. A person who does not eat of this daily bread will not build up the spiritual reserves needed to think logically, endure physically, and remain emotionally stable in the midst of his trials.

It is in the grip of life's pressures when we can lose the fight against temptation and fall back into sinful and self-destructive habits. If you are relying on your own limited strength to get you through life's ordeals you won't make it. Because when your reserves are exhausted you'll find yourself drawing from raw emotions. And emotions can overpower reason and pull us in the wrong direction. Erratic emotions are noise makers. The still small voice of God can't be heard when we are in mental turmoil. A Christ-directed, Christ-centered life is the only way to keep on the course God has set for you.

Stop following your feelings and emotions. Stop worrying about pleasing people more than pleasing God. If you want to succeed in life. If you want to be richly blessed....be still and listen.

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Court hears report on Medicaid facility

By CEDRIC IGLEHART

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A presentation of detailed information concerning the proposal of a new long term care facility was received Monday morning during the regular session of the Gonzales County Commissioners Court.

The report was requested by the Court to help shed light on the decision to provide a county waiver for the proposed rural facility that would enable them to apply for 120 Medicaid beds.

James Ryan provided the Court with data about the number of potential patients in the Caldwell, Gonzales, Bastrop, and Guadalupe county areas that might be in need of services.

"This area has an overall obesity rate of 30 percent," said Ryan. "Of that, about 5 percent is morbidly obese. It's a growing trend that's bringing a new demographic into our health care cost."

Ryan said the increased costs are due to the high price of the specialized equipment used to care for morbidly obese patients, which includes larger beds, floor-mounted toilets, fortified wheelchairs and ceiling-mounted lifts used for transport.

"Not only does it cost extra, but it puts your employees at additional risk," he said. "Most of them don't have the physical capabilities or the tools to maneuver these patients."

Ryan told the Court the anticipated growth for Gonzales, which has been predicted to double in population within the next 6 to 10 years, should increase demand for all the existing healthcare facilities.

The new facility is being proposed by Big Individual Care, who planned to purchase the old Warm Springs facility for their use. TJ. Cole of Cole Consultants, who represented BIC, said the move could mean the creation of up to 80 new jobs in Gonzales.

Precinct 2 Commissioner Donnie Brzozowski asked about what will happen to the requested beds if for some reason BIC decides to abandon the project.

"If we vote to approve these beds and y'all decide not to come to Gonzales County, can we transfer the ownership to someone else?" he asked. "In other words, would they stay with your company or stay in the county?"

"Fifty-one percent of the ownership would stay with Big Care," answered Dot Cole, CEO of Cole Consultants. "The beds would not actually belong to Gonzales County, but they must be used in Gonzales County. We would not be able to take them anywhere else."

TJ Cole said he couldn't

foresee any reason for the project to not go forward, but did express concerns about the Warm Springs building.

"The likelihood right now is that we will not acquire the building because of some floodplain concerns," he said. "Even if we decide against it, we will just construct a new facility of our own."

Gonzales County Judge David Bird said the issue will be added to a future agenda as an action item.

In another agenda item, the Court reviewed the final design for Double E RV Park. The new facility, which will be located on Highway 97, will begin with 20 spaces, a washerteria and office building.

The Texas Department of Transportation declined to give access from the highway directly to the proposed site, but Gonzales Fire Chief Keith Schmidt said getting to the property through a private road would not hamper emergency services.

A motion made to approve the design passed unanimously.

In other business, the court:

- Appointed Norma Jean DuBose, the county's Tax Assessor-Collector, as the individual to prepare the 2012 Effective, Rollback and Sales Tax Rates for the county of Gonzales.

- Agreed to move the Smiley Precinct #10 voting location from Smiley Community Center to the Smiley Fire Station.

- Declared a Cat Motor Grader as surplus and traded it in toward the purchase of a 2012 Volvo G940B Motor Grader for Precinct 2.

Sheriffs endorse Old in judicial runoff

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Fuel spills in accident

An accident involving a truck tractor and trailer sent one local woman to the hospital last Friday. At around 4:30 p.m., a 2000 Freightliner driven by Connie Washington, 48 of Gonzales, ran off the roadway near the intersection of Hwy 97 and FM 1116. Department of Public Safety Trooper Wayne Henkes said the vehicle, which belongs to BT Trucking of Houston, was travelling eastbound on Hwy 97. As Washington approached the intersection, she began looking for something inside the cab and became distracted. When Washington looked up, she slammed on the brakes which locked them up and caused the truck to jackknife. The vehicle skidded across the roadway, where it struck a tree and went through a barbed wire fence before coming to rest. The result of the crash punctured two holes in the truck's fuel tank, causing a diesel spill. Among the authorities who responded to the scene were DPS troopers, Gonzales Sheriff's Office deputies, City of Gonzales police officers and the Gonzales Fire Department, who transferred the remaining diesel fuel from the truck into 50-gallon drums for removal. (Photo by Cedric Iglehart)

Perry: Texas will not comply with mandate

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unsustainable Medicaid program, at a potential cost of billions to Texas taxpayers.

If anyone was in doubt, we in Texas have no intention to implement so-called state exchanges or to expand Medicaid under Obamacare," Gov. Perry said. "I will not be party to socializing healthcare and bankrupting my state in direct contradiction to our Constitution and our founding principles of limited government.

"I stand proudly with the growing chorus of governors who reject the Obamacare power grab. Neither a "state" exchange nor the expansion of Medicaid under this program would result in better "patient protection" or in more "affordable care."

They would only make Texas as a mere appendage of the federal government when it comes to health care."

Gov. Perry has frequently called for the allocation of Medicaid funding in block grants so each state can tailor the program to specifically serve the needs of its unique challenges. As a common sense alternative, Gov. Perry has conveyed a vision to transform Medicaid into a system that reinforces individual responsibility, eliminates fragmentation and duplication, controls costs and focuses on quality health outcomes. This would include establishing reasonable benefits, personal accountability, and limits on services in Medicaid. It would also allow copays or cost sharing that apply to all Medicaid eligible groups - not just optional Medicaid populations - and tailor benefits to needs of the individual rather than a blanket entitlement.

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Patricia "Patsy" Voigt

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Patricia Amelda "Patsy" Voigt Behrendt, 85 of Gonzales, passed away Saturday, July 7. Patsy was born January 21, 1927 in Ottine to Oscar W. Voigt and Agnes Huber Voigt.

She married Oscar "O.J." Behrendt on April 11, 1943 in Gonzales. She was a member of St. James Catholic Church, the Catholic Daughters, Gonzales Lady Elks, Ottine Community Association, Ottine Volunteer Fire Department and the Ottine Cemetery Association.

Patsy had retired from Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative in 1988 after over 30 years of dedicated service. She had served in many capacities during her employment with the company, most notably as the company's Benefits Administrator. She loved working for GVEC and loved the all people she worked with and for, long after she had retired. She remained proud of the company's successes and all the people within the company that worked so hard to grow GVEC to what it is today.

Patsy enjoyed sewing and made many of her children's articles of clothing from the cloth chicken feed sacks in the early days. She took pride in designing her own flower arrangements to adorn the family dinner table, and though cooking was not high on her things to do list, she could cook delicious meals from her kitchen that most chefs would envy. She was a very religious lady and followed her faith closely.

Patsy was a loving nurturing mother and grandmother; she always put her family before herself. She and O.J. were married 69 years and they loved, honored and cherished each other as much today as the day they swore those same vows to one another those many years ago.

Survivors include her husband, O.J. Behrendt of Gonzales; daughter, Debbie Behrendt Everett and her husband John, Sr., of Ottine; sons, Douglas Duane Behrendt of Kyle, Gary Lynn Behrendt and

his wife Donna of Gonzales, and Larry Michael Behrendt of Ottine; sister, Marie Antoinette Voigt of Freeport; grandchildren, Shane Behrendt (Chelo), John Everett, Jr., (Jennifer), Randy Behrendt, Amanda Sanders (Jacob), Ricky Behrendt (Amber), Chris Everett (Jessica), and Cory Everett (Heather); great-grandchildren, Caleb Behrendt, Victoria Everett, Savannah Bush, Matthew Everett, Gavin Behrendt, Payton Everett and Amara Behrendt.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a grandson, Nicholas Behrendt; and great-granddaughter, Lauren Behrendt.

A rosary was recited for Patsy on Tuesday at Seydler-Hill Funeral Home and a Mass of Christian burial was celebrated Wednesday, July 11 at St. James Catholic Church with Fr. Paul Raaz as celebrant. Interment followed in St. James Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Shane Behrendt, Jacob Sanders, Cory Everett, Chris Everett, John Everett, Jr., and Ricky Behrendt. Honorary pallbearers included Doyle Hines and all retired GVEC employees.

Memorials may be made to the Texas Elks Foundation, Inc. 1961 FM1586 Gonzales, Texas 78629 or St. James Catholic Church, 417 N. College Gonzales, Texas. Services were under the care and direction of Seydler-Hill Funeral Home.



Alma Susan "Susie" Dolezal, 1948-2012

DOLEZAL

Alma Susan "Susie" Dolezal, 63 of Gonzales, passed away at home on July 5. Susie was born August 30, 1948 in San Antonio to Clarence Henry Vordenbaum and Iola Moltz Vordenbaum.

Susie graduated from Gonzales High School with the Class of 1966. She graduated from Southwest Texas State University having majored in English and minored in History. Susie was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Gonzales, where she remained active and sang in the church choir.

She married Victor Joseph Dolezal on June 25, 1994 at the First United Methodist Church. She taught at the

Gonzales High School for 39 years and gave private swimming lessons during the summer months for 21 years.

Susie was an avid reader; she enjoyed working in her garden and traveling. Her family has fond memories of vacations to Yellowstone National Park and the Grand Canyon just to name a few, and Victor has fond memories of the trips they shared abroad to Europe.

She was a fun and loving mother; however her teaching profession provided her with an uncanny ability to trace the whereabouts of her son usually before he had even returned home for the evening. She loved to dance and she and Victor shared many a dance together through the years.

Susie is survived by her husband, Victor J. Dolezal of Gonzales; son and daughter-in-law, William Chad Denman and his wife Shari of Austin; step-daughter, Lisa Ann Henry and her husband Tim of Gonzales; step-son, Craig Alan Dolezal of Houston; grandchildren, Julia Ruth Denman, Donald Ross Denman, Ashley Michelle Daniel and her husband Josh, Heather Michelle Henry; sisters, Dyna Dubose (Jack) of Gonzales, Janie Carleton (William) of Gonzalez, Dorothy McGinty (Kenny) of Seguin, and Nancy Tielmann (Soern) of New Braunfels; and step-brother, Gary Stone of Albuquerque, NM; along with numerous nieces and nephews and her loving schnauzers, Mikey and J.D. She was preceded in death by her parents and step-mother, Stella Starr Vordenbaum.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, July 8 in the First United Methodist Church with Pastor Andy Smith officiating. Interment followed at Hermann Sons Cemetery. Pallbearers included: Sean Dubose, Mark Dubose, Tim Carleton, Bryce Carleton, Tim Henry, Brandy Wilke, Russell Wilke, Tara Dubose and James Girardeaux. Honorary pallbearers were the ladies whose friendship and time shared over coffee Susie treasured so heartedly. The Heart Connection Reunion Group: Marion Hayes, Shirley Goss, Peggy White and Patty Stewart.

The family received friends at the funeral home Saturday evening. Memorials may be made to the Gonzales First United Methodist Church, 426 St. Paul, Gonzales, Texas 78629; Hospice of South Texas, 404 N. Texana Street, Hallettsville, Texas 77964-2311; or the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22718 Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718. Services were under the care and direction of Seydler-Hill Funeral Home.

Donations to the Bakers can be made at any Sage Capital Bank branch office.

Helping Hands

If you are in need of a meal, Helping Hands, a non-profit, multi-church ministry, would like to bless you with a free lunch.

Meals will be distributed Saturday, July 14 beginning at 11 a.m. in the Gonzales Christian Assistance Ministry (GCAM) parking lot, located at 708 St. Louis Street. Volunteers and donations are welcome.

For more information, contact Linda at 361-275-1216.

Smiley Gospel Sing

Numerous local and out-of-town groups will be performing Southern Gospel and Country gospel selections at the First Baptist Church in Smiley on Saturday, July 28, 2012, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Bring your guitar or other instrument and share your talent. There is no admission charge for this evening of entertainment. A pot luck dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Church's Fellowship Hall.

Nixon VFD

The Nixon Volunteer Fire Department will hold its annual BBQ Fundraiser on Saturday, July 21 at the Nixon Fire Station, beginning at 11 a.m.

The event will offer brisket, sausage and all the trimmings at \$8 per plate. Plates are available for dine-in or to go.

GHS Class of '87

Gonzales High School Class of 1987 will hold its reunion July 14th, 7 p.m. until 11 p.m., 4-D Ranch, Waelder, TX. \$25 per person if you are *not* staying at on-site hotel; \$15 per person if you are staying at on-site hotel. Please RSVP by emailing Laura at laura.bremontz@hp.com or Stephanie at stcamarillo@yahoo.com.

CHC class registration

A Concealed Handgun class will be offered on July 14, 2012 at Brushy Creek Outdoors, located at 523 E Davis Street in Luling. This class is being taught by Calvin Hensley from Patriot Shooting School. For more information please call 830-875-8888.

Free immunizations

The Gonzales Community Health Center will be offering free Back To School immunizations on Saturday, Aug. 4 from 8 a.m. to noon.

Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian, who are asked to bring the child's latest immunization record and complete a registration form.

During the event, free school supplies will also be available.

The center is located at 228 St. George in Gonzales. For more information, call 830-672-6511 or visit the website www.chcsc.com.

Baker Family benefit

A benefit for Phil and Sheilah Baker will be held at the Zedler Mill pavilion on Saturday, July 21, from 6-12 p.m. The evening will include a dinner, dancing to the music of the Sam Bentley Band, and a cake auction. This is a BYOB event.

Tickets are \$25 each, and pre-sale tickets are available at Centex Equipment in Luling, and Sage Capital Bank, at all its locations.

The event is being held to raise money to help cover medical expenses for the Baker Family. Phil Baker, who was raised in Gonzales, was hospitalized with severe heart problems. His wife, Sheilah - a lifelong resident of Luling, was hospitalized about a week later for surgery and it was discovered that she had Leukemia. The couple has worked on a number of events in Luling, Lockhart and Gonzales over the years.

Donations to the Bakers can be made at any Sage Capital Bank branch office.

Moulton Elem. Library

Moulton Elementary Library will be open again this summer, to all members of our community and all age students and adults. Some high school books by popular authors will be available. A max of 3 books per person will be allowed.

The library will be open every Tuesday

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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through July 31. Hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Call Debbie Novosad at 361-596-7616 if you have questions.

N-S registration

Elementary registration will work differently this year in the Nixon-Smiley CISD. All elementary students enrolled during 2011-2012 will be enrolled automatically in the 2012-2013 school year. There will be no summer registration days for elementary as there are for middle school and high school.

GISD Summer Reading

Gonzales ISD students are invited to join the district's Summer Reading Program every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. through Aug. 2 at the Gonzales Elementary Library. Story Time will be at 9:30 a.m. each day. Breakfast will be available from 8-8:30 each morning, with lunch available from 11:30-noon each Tuesday and Thursday. All GISD students in grades 1-12 are eligible, and can take Accelerated reader tests for next school year credit.

Piano Lessons

Summer Piano Lessons will be offered at the Gonzales Public Library.

The lessons are for students age 8-18 with library members and registration can be done at the library by parent or guardian. Telephone registration will not be accepted.

GLC donations

The Gonzales Learning Center wants to let folks know that we're collecting gently used Christmas ornaments, lights, artificial trees, wreaths, décor, and gift wrap for next year's Christmas bazaar.

Call 830-672-8291 to make arrangements to drop off your donation at the Learning Center, located at 1135 St. Paul. We can also pick up donations.

For more information, send email to glcc@gvec.net.

Violence shelter

The Guadalupe Valley Family Violence Shelter, Inc. (GVFVS) is a non-profit organization providing services to both residents and non-residents that are victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in the counties of Gonzales, Guadalupe, Karnes and Wilson.

GVFVS provides survivors with legal advocacy, case management, counseling, assistance with crime victims compensation and other services at no cost. For more information, call 830-372-2780 or 1-800-834-2033.

Senior Citizens Center

The Gonzales Senior Citizens Center would like to invite anyone over 60 years of age to come and eat with them at 604 St. Michael St., Monday thru Friday. The center is open from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

We serve a hot delicious 1/3 RDA delicious meal noon each day. The cost of the meal is a \$2.00 voluntary donation that is applied to the total cost of the meal.

We would like some suggestions for activities that you would like to see at the Gonzales Center.

I would also like to remind you that we have Senior Citizen Centers in Waelder, Smiley and Nixon. For more information about our activities, please call me, Helen Richter at 672-2613.

For general public transportation call 672-7014 or 672-6469, and talk to Kari or Bobby. Please make your reservations as soon as you know you need transportation because it is on a first come first serve basis.

Toastmasters meet

Come and Speak It Toastmasters Club meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, from 12-1 p.m. at the Gonzales County Farm Bureau Community Room, located at 1731 Seydel Street.

The Toastmasters environment is friendly and supportive whether you are a professional, student, stay-at-home parent or retiree, Toastmasters can give you the skills and confidence you need to express yourself in any situation.

For more information contact Club President GK Willmann at 830-857-1109 or send email to gwillmann@gvec.org, or Gerri Lawing at 830-857-1207 or glawing@gvec.org.

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CLAIM: Opponent claims to be the only one with 'criminal trial' experience.*

FACT: Judge Kevin Kolb has 12 years of trial experience—8 as a Prosecutor for the City of Seguin and 4 as a Municipal Court Judge presiding over more than 250 misdemeanor criminal trials and 20 misdemeanor jury trials. As Magistrate, Judge Kolb has signed more than 15,000 warrants—all in aid of protecting the public and preserving the public's trust in the legal system.

FACT: Attorney Kevin Kolb practiced criminal defense law for 6 years—handling both felonies and misdemeanors for his clients, before becoming a prosecutor and then judge.

FACT: Judge Kolb has had an active Civil Practice for almost 20 years focusing on complex family and divorce litigation, forensic accounting, property tax issues, federal tax issues, and probate litigation. When not on the bench, Kolb works on complex federal estate tax planning, business planning, and real estate law—all these legal matters either start or can make their way to district court, even federal tax matters.

TRAINING, ACCREDITATION & CONTINUING EDUCATION:

FACT: Judge Kevin Kolb, after becoming a prosecutor, completed more than 160 hours of training as a prosecutor and as a judge. And though not yet Board Certified in Criminal Law, Kolb has completed training of a standard that counts toward the State Bar's strict requirements for certification in Criminal Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

FACT: Judge Kolb is a licensed Attorney with an advanced law degree (LL.M.) in State and Federal Taxation, and he is a Certified Public Accountant.

FACT: Judge Kolb has completed more than 1140 hours in Continuing Education to maintain his CPA accreditation and 380 hours of Continuing Legal Education hours for his civil practice.

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- Know and understand your Constitutional rights.
- Act as a Magistrate under Code of Criminal Procedure, determining probable cause for arrest, when a person should appear in court, whether a person can be detained in jail and the bond—if any—for a person's release from jail.
- Know the rules on warrants for search & seizure or arrests.
- Know Pre-Trial Procedures under the Code of Criminal Procedure where issues are split into "Fact only Issues" or "Law only Issues" or "Law and Fact Issues."



• Conduct Criminal Trial proceedings with a Prosecutor representing the State of Texas with the same Courtroom procedures and issues including: invoking of the 5th Amendment, invoking "the Rule", Oaths, Interpreters, Witnesses, Cross Examination, Directed Verdicts, Rebuttal Evidence, and Contempt of Court.

• Conduct jury selection with the same qualifications of jurors, exemptions, voir dire, jury shuffles, challenges for cause, jury strikes, and Batson Challenges. One difference is the Municipal Court jury has 6 members and a District Court jury has 12.

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Early Voting: July 23rd-July 27th

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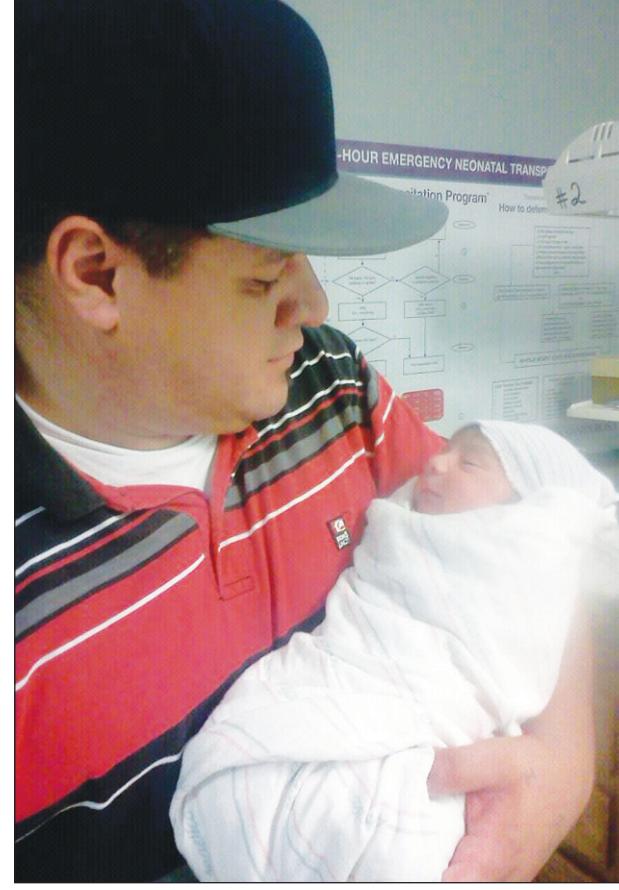
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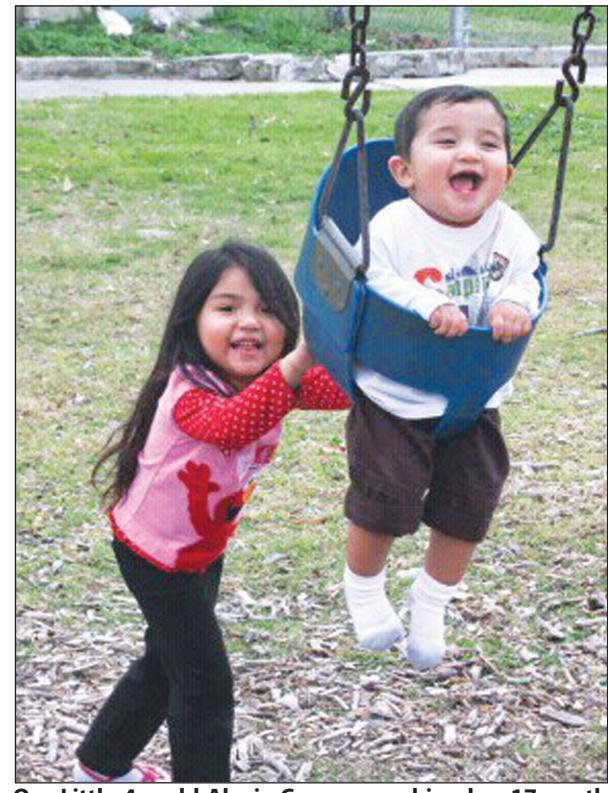
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All smiles after another come-from-behind win!!! — with Mason Richter and Janice Wyatt Camarillo. — Posted by Kim Richter



My daughter, Tara Pettus, enjoying a slice of watermelon downtown today. — Posted by Amy Pettus



My beautiful granddaughter Celya at about a week old. Precious! — Posted by Sandra Benes



Two more local youngsters came to our shelter to help yesterday and today! BIG THANKS to Robert Wheeler and Rayven Wheeler for using their free time to help our shelter dogs!! You two did awesome work, and we sure appreciated!!! — Posted by Gonzales Dog Adoptions



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Turner named Nixon-Smiley salutatorian

By CEDRIC IGLEHART

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(Editor's Note: Because of a recalculation done on the final grades for the Nixon-Smiley High School Class of 2012, The Cannon is running this feature to reflect the fact that Heather Turner finished second in her class.)

Nixon-Smiley Consolidated Independent School District superintendent Dr. Cathy Booth explained that for graduation purposes, grades are calculated at the end of the third Nine Weeks. However, colleges need the top 10 percent numbers for admission purposes and these figures are turned in at the end of

the year. Another set of grades were turned in after the third Nine Weeks and the final calculation showed that Turner had indeed passed Ariella Bermea for second place.)

For Heather Turner, the last four years has been a long and strange ride indeed.

After home-schooled for most of her academic career, Turner entered the public school system when she became a freshman at Nixon-Smiley High School.

Despite having to adjust to new surroundings and foreign procedures, Turner remained diligent in her studies and eventually fin-

ished as the Salutatorian for the Class of 2012.

"My first year was kind of rocky," she recalled. "Not so much academic-wise, but just the whole public school system thing was kind of weird. I remember my freshman year I was seventh in my class, but by my junior year I was second."

"I'm glad I did it now because I've met some amazing people and learned things that are hard to learn at home."

Always conscious of the fact that colleges look for more than just good academics, Turner participated in a number of extracurricular activities.

"My favorite was definitely Accounting for UIL," she said. "I went to regionals twice as a first place finalist and that's the only thing I have a Gold medal in, so that was exciting."

In addition, she also competed at the UIL regionals in Prose Interpretation as a senior. Other extracurricular activities included competing in tennis and track for two years and serving on the Student Council as its treasurer and then as vice-president.

This fall, Turner will be attending the University of Texas-San Antonio, where she plans on majoring in Marketing so she can be-

come a Wedding and Events Planner.

Her dream of attending college was made possible when she landed the prestigious Terry Foundation Scholarship, given annually to outstanding Texas high school graduates for attendance at Texas public colleges and universities.

"It's basically a full ride," she said. "My college is only going to cost me \$1,000 for the first year because of all of the aid they provide."

"It was huge blessing because I had no idea what I was going to do for college. The full value of it varies because they adjust it periodically, but basically I will



Heather Turner
Nixon-Smiley High 2012
Salutatorian

be able to get out of college with no debt."

Turner is the daughter of David Turner and Michelle Turner.

Cost couple's daughter earns teaching excellence awards

Dr. Misty Schieberle Lundin, daughter of Happy & Dee Schieberle of Cost, has been selected to receive two prestigious awards for teaching excellence - the American Association of University Women American Fellowship and the Mabel Fry Award. Misty received her Bachelor of Arts degree in English and Spanish and her Master of Arts degree in Literature from Texas State University in San Marcos and her Doctoral degree from

the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana.

The American Association of University Women awarded a prestigious year-long American Fellowship to University of Kansas Assistant Professor Misty Schieberle. AAUW American Fellowships fund one year of research leave for women in tenure-track faculty positions in support of their earning tenure and/or further promotions. Candidates are evaluated on the

basis of scholarly excellence, the quality and originality of project design, and active commitment to helping women through service in their communities, professions, or fields of research. The fellowship will support the completion of Schieberle's book, Feminized Counsel: Women Counselors in Late Medieval English Advice Literature, 1380-1500. The project explores Middle English political literature that represents women as wise, beneficial counselors to kings and thus challenges the dominant misogynist tradition that depicted women as inferior and powerless. Schieberle also participates in the Society for Medieval Feminist Scholars mentoring exchange, which pairs younger scholars with junior faculty or senior colleagues, and she strives to teach literary works that complicate students' assumptions about pre-modern gender roles.

The Mabel S. Fry Award for Teaching Excellence recognizes the efforts of a University of Kansas faculty member who demonstrates excellence in both classroom teaching and graduate student mentoring. Some elements that are considered in the selection include classroom demeanor/pedagogical excellence, quality of advising to graduate students, and improvements to the English department.

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Updated GISD Dress Code

GONZALES I.S.D. DRESS CODE

2012-2013

The District's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. The district prohibits pictures, emblems, or writings on clothing that are lewd, offensive, vulgar, obscene, that advertise tobacco products, alcoholic beverages of any kind, drugs, or any other substance prohibited under school policy. It prohibits any dress or grooming that, in the principal's judgment, may reasonably be expected to interfere with normal school operations. The dress code applies anytime a student is on campus during a normal school day and anytime a student is involved in an event or extracurricular activity that represents Gonzales ISD. Co-Curricular and extra-curricular uniforms will be approved by the sponsors of organizations and approved to meet GISD Standard of Excellency by the campus Principal. Violations of the dress code; see student code of conduct for consequences.

Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

1. No student on school property or at any school activity shall wear, possess, use, distribute, display or sell any clothing, jewelry, emblem, badge, symbols, sign or other things, which are evidence of membership or affiliation in any gang.

2. Hair must be neat and clean. Boys' hair must not extend below the top of the collar of a dress shirt, below the bottom of the ear, or over the eyes.

3. Any hairstyle, which by its appearance causes a disruption of any kind, as determined by a school administrator, is unacceptable.

4. Males must be clean-shaven if facial hair is noticeable. Sideburns cannot extend below the bottom of the ear.

5. Shorts, skirts, dresses, and skirts should be to the knee and appropriate for the school setting. Decency when sitting shall be a prime factor in determining appropriateness for the school setting.

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that depict caricatures may be worn (examples Winnie the Pooh, Cinderella, Clowns, Balloons, Flowers, etc); however, shirts may not depict inappropriate caricatures (dragons, snakes, swords, etc.).

10. All clothing that shows undergarments is unacceptable, including clothing with conspicuously low necklines and/or low backs.

11. Sagging pants (pants worn below the waist) will not be allowed. Belts will be worn in grades 5-12 for all male students. Pants must be hemmed, not frayed, and without holes.

12. Oversized clothing or coats may not be worn. Sweaters, sweat shirts, and jackets must not fall below the back pockets.

13. Clothing such as undergarments, muscle shirts, halter-tops, cropped shirts, tank tops, spaghetti straps, and clothing that shows a bare midriff or cleavage are not acceptable.

14. Students shall not be permitted to wear hats, caps, sunglasses, sweatbands, or other disrupting apparel in any building on campus during school hours.

15. Garments that have spikes (bracelets, necklaces, belts, etc.) are not permitted.

16. Males may not wear earrings. Females may wear earrings. No other body piercing jewelry of any kind will be accepted.

17. Bare feet and metal taps are not acceptable.

18. House shoes, distracting, or unsafe shower shoes (beach type) will not be allowed.

19. Cleats may not be worn in any school building. Shoes with built-in skates or wheels (Heelies) are not permitted in any building unless the wheels have been removed.

20. Primary and Elementary aged students are required to wear closed toe shoes to support safety during P.E. and recess activities. If wearing sandals of any kind, please send closed toe shoes for these age groups.

21. Clothing that displays violence, obscenity, tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance prohibited under policy FNCF (L), is prohibited.

22. Any other attire that disrupts the educational process as determined by a school administrator is prohibited.

23. The school, advisor, or sponsor of any specific activity or function may impose additional guidelines.

24. Inappropriate tattoos will be covered at all times as determined by school administrator.

25. No cargo pants allowed.

26. Students may wear CYFL Apache jerseys and cheerleader uniforms on Fridays during football season.

27. Additional dress code guidelines are required by D.A.E.P. they may be obtained from the campus administrator.

Ince inducted into Tau Beta Pi

Mariah Ince, a junior at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, was recently inducted into the engineering honor society Tau Beta Pi.

Tau Beta Pi is designed to "offer appropriate recognition for superior scholarship and exemplary character to students in en-

gineering". To qualify scholastically, a student must rank among the top eighth of juniors or the top fifth of seniors in engineering.

Ince is studying mechanical engineering and has been named to either the Dean's List or the President's List in each of the

four semesters she has attended. To make the Dean's List, a student must earn a semester GPA of at least 3.5 and to attain the President's List requires a semester GPA of 4.0.

She is the daughter of Mark and Noell Ince of Gonzales.

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Just Twisted won second place in Beans and Brisket at the Barbecue and Bean Cookoff. Team members were Sequoja Janacek, Adyson Janacek and Sean Janacek. (Photo by Mark Lube)



Canion's Grand BBQ won third place in Brisket at the Barbecue and Bean Cookoff. Team members were Cody Turrerville, Michael Birdwell and Brian Canion. (Photo by Mark Lube)



Jazmin Zuniga placed second in the ages 12-13 division of the Watermelon Eating Contest. (Photo by Cedric Iglesias)



4B Cattle Company won second place in Chicken at the Barbecue and Bean Cookoff. Team members were Dakota Blackwell and Liz Blackwell. (Photo by Mark Lube)



3Ms won third place in Chicken and Ribs at the Barbecue and Bean Cookoff. Team members were Morgan Barnett, Bobby Manning and Mike Rosenauer. (Photo by Mark Lube)



Krysten Zuniga placed second in the ages 9-11 division of the Watermelon Eating Contest. (Photo by Cedric Iglesias)

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ICA members Bill Hyman, Sissy Mills and Billy Bob Low present Cody Johnson with his champion's belt buckle. (Photo by Dave Mundy)



Cody Johnson turns in a ride of 87.5 on "Booger Red" (above), while Clayton Baethge took full advantage of selection for the short go to finish in the money (right). (Photos by Dave Mundy)



Second-place finisher Cody Nance went after six bulls during the competition, covering four of them. (Photo courtesy Bill Tintzman)



Johnson with Blaine Blevins, left, and Gene Tieken. Tieken picked Johnson in Tuesday's annual PBR Calcutta at the Running M, an event which raised more than \$2,300 for Norma's House. (Photo by Dave Mundy)

Johnson claims crown in Gonzales PBR event

By DAVE MUNDY

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You could say it was a VERY successful weekend for Kaufman's Cody Johnson.

Johnson turned in two solid rides to claim the title in the 2012 Gonzales PBR bull riding event Saturday night at JB Wells Arena — one night after claiming the \$10,000 top prize at Cowboys Dancehall in San Antonio. The prize in the

Gonzales event was an additional \$4,284.

"I just knew I had to give it my all," said the PBR rookie, who had to overcome a superlative effort by Cody Nance of Springfield, Tenn., to claim the title with a final average of 174. "I couldn't quit 'til it was done."

"It moved around a little on me, that last ride," he added. "It's just a blessing, a huge blessing, to win."

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The All-Cannon Team

Luling's Eckles, Larison highlight area baseball standouts

By MARK LUBE

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When he first got to Luling two years ago, former head baseball coach Michael Eckles met with his players and talked about winning, which was something the Luling program had not experienced a lot in the last several years.

"The players looked at me with big eyes," he said. "Eventually, they believed in what I was trying to accomplish and they worked very hard."

On the heels of earning Coach of the Year for District 29-2A, Eckles has been named to the same honor on the 2012 All-Cannon Baseball Team.

He said the honors are the di-

rect results of the work ethic of the Eagle players.

"Anytime a coach wins an award like this, it reflects the hard work of his players," Eckles said.

Luling came into the 2012 season with some lofty goals.

"The players had very high expectations," Eckles said. "They believed they could win and so they accomplished great things."

The Eagles started off pre-district well with some key victories in tournaments, followed with a well-fought run in district and peaked in the playoffs.

Eckles said the best moment came at the end of district when the Eagles beat Marion to force a tie for first place. Luling then had to play Marion in a playoff game to determine the district winner.

Luling ran into a proverbial buzzsaw in the regional semifinals against eventual Class 2A champion Jarrell. The Cougars won the first game, 3-0, and took

and the Eagles were successful in that contest as well.

"That was an important game because for most of the district season, Marion was in control," Eckles said. "They have also dominated us for quite some time and it was very exciting to see our players step up and win."

Luling defeated San Diego in the area round, 7-2, and faced George West in the regional quarterfinals. The Eagles opened the series with a 4-3 win, but dropped Game Two, 6-5. Luling roared back in the deciding Game Three, winning 11-0.

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Game Two, 11-1.

Eckles came to Luling in 2010 to be the baseball head coach and help coach the Luling football team. After finishing the 2011 season 18-15, Eckles led Luling to a 27-9 overall record in 2012 to bring his overall record with the Eagles to 45-24.

Now Eckles is headed to Jacksonville, where he will join former Luling athletic director and head football coach, Michael Waldie. Eckles will head up the Jacksonville baseball program and will join Waldie on the football staff.

He said his favorite part of coaching and teaching in Luling were the students.

"The kids always worked hard," Eckles said. "The community was

outstanding and very supportive."

It was simply an outstanding year for the Luling Eagles baseball team and also for pitcher/catcher Ryan Larison.

Larison has been chosen as the Player of the Year for the 2012 All-Cannon Baseball Team. The honor is just the latest this season for Larison, who was named Most Valuable Player of District 29-2A and made the Texas High School of Baseball Coaches Association All-State Class 2A Third Team as a catcher.

"I think it is a great honor to be chosen Player of the Year," he said.

Larison finished the regular season with a 6-1 record on the mound with 37.2 innings pitched

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Half Moon Holidays 5k & 10k Run Results

5K Overall Results

1. Jacob Tucker, 19:06; 2. James Adams, 20:05; 3. Courtney High, 20:16; 4. Ruben Flores, 20:41; 5. Alfonso Ontiveras, 21:00; 6. Ronnie Guevara, 21:12; 7. Felix Duran, 21:13; 8. Jr Salazar, 21:14; 9. Natalie Jackson, 21:42; 10. Cassidy High, 22:02; 11. Austin Akin, 22:33; 12. Jim Brzozowski, 22:47; 13. Buddy Albro, 23:10; 14. Julie Boehm, 23:18; 15. Aaron Robinett, 23:27; 16. Steve Benesh, 23:44; 17. Walker Jackson, 24:09; 18. Kelley Spahn, 24:16; 19. Matthew Ditta, 24:18; 20. Kasey Spahn, 24:21; 21. Eric Oeding, 24:38; 22. Larry Ullman, 25:00; 23. Nancy Deleon, 25:30; 24. Jennifer Benesh, 25:36; 25. James Herrera, 25:40; 26. Maci McDonald, 26:00; 27. Eva Rychlik, 26:13; 28. Smokey Spahn, 26:18; 29. Commie Hisey, 26:18; 30. Carolyn Markham, 26:28; 31. Matthew Tucker, 26:46; 32. Robert Koenning, 27:23; 33. Allison Guettner, 27:30; 34. Marshall Bishop, 27:37; 35. Debbie Rychlik, 27:43; 36. Jodi Carson, 27:59; 37. Sean Albro, 28:04; 38. Amy Strubhart, 28:11; 39. Mark Lube, 29:08; 40. Kat Munoz, 29:17; 41. Wayne Brunkenhoefer, 29:18; 42. Ellen Byron, 29:21; 43. Becca Rozsypal, 29:31; 44. Ashton Kutac, 29:43; 45. Pam Jackson, 29:49; 46. Scott Baer, 29:59; 47. Stephen Moeller, 30:03; 48. Monington Clark, 30:30; 49. Dova Leecock, 30:45; 50. Michele Berger, 30:48; 51. Kathy Cowan, 31:00; 52. Kim Duran, 31:03; 53. Jennifer Delgado, 31:32; 54. Stacey Davis, 31:35; 55. Brandi Werner, 31:57; 56. Kelle Pilat, 31:57; 57. Greg Najvar, 32:26; 58. Denise Haenel, 32:29; 59. Johnnie High, 32:54; 60. Jlandry Dacke, 33:16; 61. Jake Hranicky, 33:41; 62. Christy Hranicky, 33:42; 63. Mary Kaplan, 34:19; 64. Lori Wenske, 34:48; 65. Janice Siegel, 34:55; 66. Luciano Garcia, 35:23; 67. Alexa Schaefer, 35:52; 68. Katie Denson, 35:53; 69. Scott Kabrich, 35:55; 70. Rhonda Svatek, 35:56; 71. Rebecca Pena, 36:33; 72. Michael Peseck, 37:07; 73. Hilary Jaelne, 37:08; 74. Rosemary Watts, 37:16; 75. Cindy Spann, 37:21; 76. Miranda Ulcak, 37:22; 77. Jacy Chrismon, 37:54; 78. Jennie Chrismon, 37:58; 79. Vicki Drozd, 38:00; 80. Desirée Neitsch, 38:24; 81. Vasek Leigh Ann, 38:25; 82. Linda Bright, 38:59; 83. Amy Picha, 39:27; 84. Jasmine McCord, 39:28; 85. Elisha James, 40:50; 86. Ali Beal, 41:15; 87. Leona Bateman, 41:20; 88. Teresa Cowan, 41:21; 89. Hannah Kocian, 41:25; 90. Max Machacek, 41:26; 91. Mickie Aguilar, 41:30; 92. Caroline Hilscher, 48:40; 93. Barbara Kubecka, 48:41; 94. Denise Overton, 48:42; 95. Michele Hammer, 49:10; 96. Marian Clark, 49:16; 97. Karen Turlak, 49:16; 98. Michelle Foshee, 50:04; 99. Keri Mikulencak, 51:56; 100. Alexa Strubhart, 55:01; 101. Shane Strubhart, 55:02; 102. Cora Morgan, 1:01:33

10K Overall Results

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Gonzales'Ince competes for Olympic Team berth

Ariana Ince recently competed at the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials in Eugene, Oregon.

Ince, a graduate of Gonzales High School, was a pole vaulter and had recently switched to throwing the javelin. After training with Juan de la Garza at Texas A&M the past nine months, she qualified for the U.S. Trials. She competed in a field of 24 throwers on Friday, June 29 and qualified as one of 12 finalists to throw again on Sunday, July 1.

Ince ended the competition as the 12th javelin thrower in the nation. She plans on continuing her training and will try to make the U.S. Olympic team for the 2016 Olympics in Rio de Janeiro.

Ince is the daughter of Mark and Noell Ince of Gonzales.

3-on-3 Basketball Tournament

So You Think You Can Hoop 3-on-3 basketball tournament will take place on Saturday, July 14 at Gonzales Independence Park.

Entry fee is \$25 per team with all of the proceeds going to the winning team.

For more information or to register, call Melvin Calvin at 830-557-3075.

Apache Football Camp

The Gonzales Apache Football non-varsity camp will be held July 24-26, from 9-11:30 a.m., at the high school practice field for students who are incoming grades 1-9.

The camp will be run by the Gonzales varsity and junior high coaches.

Campers should dress in a comfortable T-shirt, shoes, socks and cleated shoes (if you have them).

The campers will be instructed daily in running, blocking, tackling, strength building, agility, quickness and special-teams play. There will also be punt,

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pass and kick competition, 40-yard dash, team competition and annual Watermelon bowl. Every camper will receive a T-shirt.

The cost is \$30 per camper and checks need to be payable to GHS Letterman's Club. Applications need to be mailed to Gonzales Apache Football Camp, 1801 Sarah DeWitt, Gonzales, TX 78629.

For more information, contact Gonzales football coach Ricky Lock at 830-672-6641.

Lady Apache Volleyball Camp

The Gonzales Lady Apaches Volleyball non-varsity camp will be held July 24-26, from 9-11 a.m., at the Gonzales High School Special Events Center. The camp will be for players incoming grades 4-9.

Cost is \$30 per camper, and includes camp T-shirt and instruction. Campers will need to wear T-shirt, gym shorts and gym shoes. Campers will be taught basic skills (hitting, serving, receiving, setting and rules).

For more information, contact Anita Dement at 830-672-6641.

Mini Mustang Cheer-leading Camp

The Nixon-Smiley High School Mini Mustang Cheer Camp will be held July 25-28 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the NSHS Practice Gym.

The camp will be for cheerleaders age Kindergarten through sixth grade. The fee is \$30, which includes a camp T-shirt.

Parents can register on the first day of mini camp starting at 9 or bring the registration forms to the high school office during the summer.



Lone Star Bank recently presented a new scoreboard for the Gonzales Little League Majors baseball field. Pictured (from left) are: Lone Star Bank representatives Gary Mobbs and Kevin Knesek, Gonzales Little League equipment manager Kevin Oakes, Lone Star Bank president David Kapavik, Gonzales Little League president Brennon LaBuhn, and Gonzales Little League player agent Jennifer Almaguer. (Courtesy photo)

Bevy of area youth trackclads qualify for AAU National Junior Olympic Championships

By MARK LUBE

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For nine G-Town Striders summer track athletes, their season continues with one last meet — The AAU National Junior Olympics.

"Having nine athletes qualify is so awesome, that is nearly a third of the team," Head coach Quincy Johnson said. "We had a few medals and that means those kids are in the top three coming out of this region."

"Our practice meets are key because Texas athletes are some of the best in the nation. So when these kids are competitive in San Antonio and Austin, they hopefully will have the confidence to compete at a high level against the rest of the nation."

Johnson believes he has a couple of kids with realistic chances of medalling and said more information can be found on the team's Facebook page.

Keaundra Cray won the discus with a personal best throw of 96 feet, 11 inches and was second in the shot

put for the Silver Medal (34-9 1/3). Khelsea Cray came in fifth in the shot (29-4 1/2).

Tyvione "Ty" Roaches also won a Silver in the discus with a throw of 84-5 and Kamran Cavit finished in fifth place in the shot put with a throw of 20-1/3. Kenneth Cavit advanced to the Junior Olympics with a shot throw of 29-4.

The Striders got two medals in the 1,500-meter run with Veronica Moreno winning the Silver in 5:58 and Mararia Mathis taking home the Bronze Medal in her age division in 5:47. Mathis also won third place in the 800 (2:55). Savannah Heximer placed fourth in the shot put with a best throw of 14-3 and Valaria Aguayo was fifth in the 3000 in 13:18.

Several other track athletes from the region also qualified for the Junior Olympics.

From Cuero, Audrey Sanez was third in the Sub Youth high jump as she reached 4-4. Elexis Wesley won the Midget discus with

a throw of 81-8 and won the Gold in the shot put (33-2). Leah Wittingham was third in the Sub Youth discus with a throw of 70-3 and fourth in the shot put (30-4). Shanice Nelson was third in the Sub Youth long jump with 28-5 1/2. Braden Hanzelka was first in the Midget high jump with a leap of 4-8.

Triston Barefield was fifth in the Intermediate 15-16 100 with a time of 11.83. Kameron Mathis was second in the Sub Youth triple jump with 39-10 1/4. The Intermediate 400-relay team of Altamiano Guadalupe, Barefield, D'Anthony Hopkins, Jkelvin Johnson, and alternates Zy'Trezeon Miles and Khouri Walker, came in second place in 44.76.

For athletes out of Yoakum, Carley Hewig won the Sub Midget 80 hurdles in 16.53 and was third in the high jump with 3-2. Triniti Moore took top place in the 8-and-under long jump with 11-1 1/2. Lukas Adamek was fifth in the Sub Bantam long jump with a distance of 11-2 3/4 and won the high jump

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Shiner's Chad Neuabuer was fourth in the Youth long jump (19-11 3/4) and fifth in the 200 in 24.39. Jamal Snead of Lockhart was fourth in the Intermediate 2000 Steeplechase with a time of 9:09.09.

The AAU National Junior Olympics meet will be held July 25-Aug. 4 in Houston, with the track and field events scheduled to take place at Humble High School from July 30 through Aug. 4.



The Tri-County X-Plosion participated in the Colorado Fireworks-Sparkler tournament, the country's largest youth softball tournament, on June 25-July 1. The X-Plosion earned their way into the Gold Bracket, and finished the tournament 7-2, capturing 9th place overall. Kristeny Magallanes (catcher) and Camille Grahmann (second base) were chosen and played in the 14U All-American game on June 28. Coco Caraway (pitcher) and Carley Woytek (third base) played in the 14U All-Star Game on Tuesday. Members of the team are (kneeling): Paiden Pruitt of Hallettsville, Taylor Akenhead of Hallettsville, Emma Holland of Weimar, Grahmann of Hallettsville, (standing) Hali Wisnoskie of Columbus, Magallanes of Gonzales, Allison Williams of Weimar, Caraway of Hallettsville, Tori Lester of Gonzales, Natalie Alley of Columbus, and Woytek of Hallettsville. The team is coached by Michael Grahmann and Manuel Magallanes. (Courtesy photo)



The Gonzales 11-12 year old International Softball All-Star Team recently wrapped up tournament play. Team members are: Jaycie Burton, Parker Clay, Alyssa DeLuna, Shania Lloyd, Alexis Martinez, Sadie Morgan, Desaray Rodriguez, Skylea Tatsch, Taegan Thwing, Karina Vara, Amerie White and Kendra Williams. (Courtesy photo)

Philips, Arellano come back to Gonzales for coaching jobs

By MARK LUBE

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Home is where the heart is – at least that is what two of Gonzales ISD's newest coaching additions feel like.

Jenna Philips, Class of 2007, and Ryan Arellano, Class of 2006, return to Apache Nation to work for the same school district where they received their primary education.

"I am glad I am coming home," Philips said. "I get to put my spin on things and bring ideas to the athletic program."

In 2007, Philips played volleyball and basketball, and was a member of the cheerleading squad at Gonzales High School. She has always wanted to return to Gonzales to teach and coach, but was not sure when.

"I pictured myself coming back but I did not think I would get a job this quickly," she said.

Philips is just one of several new coaches on athletic director Ricky Lock's staff.

"I think it is good for the program that we have a lot of new coaches," said Philips. "The Athletic Department is more innovative than when I was here. They are building foundations and building them early. When the athlete reaches high school, they are at the level they need to be."

She said the coaching staff also has different routines and workouts, such as working multiple muscle groups instead of focusing on one or two.

Philips will teach science at GHS and will be assistant coach for volleyball and basketball, where she hopes



Jenna Philips

to bring some fresh ideas for the athletes to improve their game.

"I want to help the players learn more about the game and improve their strategies," she said.

Philips had the chance to meet Lock when he first arrived in Gonzales in the spring of 2007, right before she graduated.

"He is a nice man and has a lot of positive energy," she said. "He is open-minded and is always supportive of his coaching staff. He is a good asset to the school district."

Philips graduated college from Texas Lutheran in Seguin this past spring, with her degree in Kinesiology.

Arellano is also glad to be making a return to his roots.

"I am excited to be back in Gonzales, coaching and teaching," Arellano said. "I have been gone for a long time and am happy to be the Gonzales opening."

Arellano competed on the football, basketball and baseball teams during his time at Gonzales High

School. He said there is definitely a different feeling to the current Apache football team.

"I feel a little old," Arellano said. "Everyone I am coaching was in elementary school when I was last here in high school."

Arellano is pleased to be working under Lock.

"I think Coach Lock is a great guy and I am excited to be able to work with him," he said.

Lock reciprocated the feeling.

"I think Ryan brings a lot of enthusiasm to the program," Lock said. "I am glad to have him on the staff."

Arellano said he feels the overall athletic program has changed for the better.

"I think the players are very committed to the program," he said.

Arellano will also assist on the high school basketball team.

"I really like basketball since I played in high school and am looking forward to learning some more," he said.

Arellano will teach Special Education Social Studies. He said his goal for coaching at GISD is to help athletes realize the benefits of higher education.

"I want to help each athlete decide to give college a chance," Arellano said.

Prior to being hired at Gonzales, Arellano taught and coached in Palmer. He was searching for teaching and coaching jobs on the Internet when he saw the Gonzales opening.

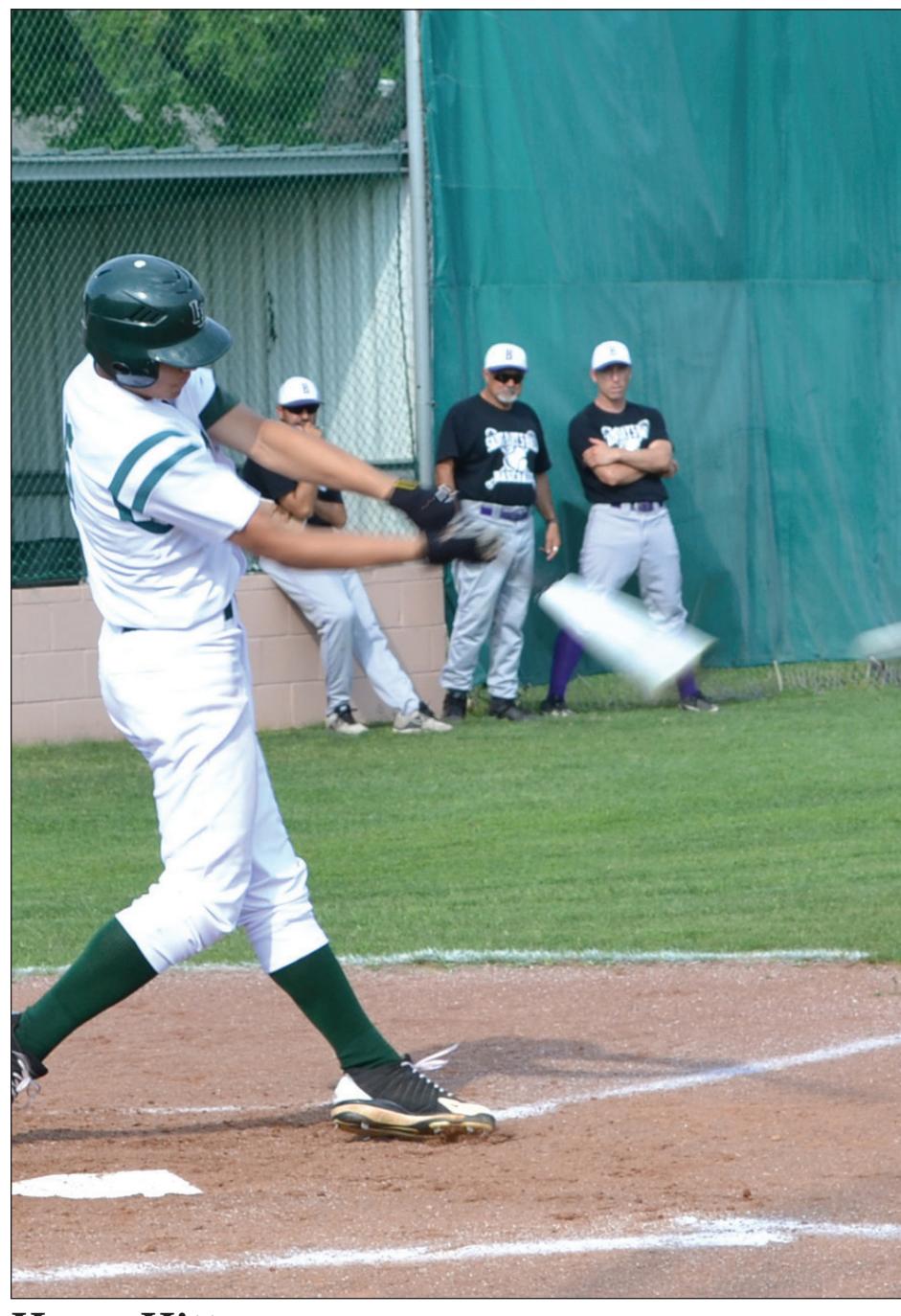
Arellano is a 2010 graduate of Southwest Assemblies of God University, where he played college football.

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ALL-CANNON: Luling pair highlights baseball superlatives



Heavy Hitter

Ryan Larison digs into this pitch from playoff action earlier this year. Larison led Luling this season by hitting .537 with 8 home runs, en route to being named The All-Cannon Baseball Player of the Year. (File photo)

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and an ERA of 1.47. He also had 61 strikeouts and 26 walks while allowing only 20 hits and 8 earned runs.

Larison was equally effective at the plate where he batted .537 with 8 home runs. He also banged out 43 hits, including 13 doubles and two triples, and scored 19 runs.

"The season went extremely well for us," Larison said. "We played outstanding throughout the entire year."

Larison will be back for his senior year in the 2013 baseball season and will be looking to help the Eagles build on this season's success.

2012 All Cannon Area Baseball Team

Player of the Year: Ryan Larison, Luling

Coach of the Year: Mike Eckles, Luling

Pitchers

Brett Eckles, Luling. Had a record of 7-0 with 2 saves and 1.47 ERA in 52.1 innings. Allowed 14 runs (11 earned) and 33 hits. Also had 50 strikeouts and 15 walks. Batted .305 with 25 hits, 1 double and 8 RBI. Scored 32 runs and stole 23 bases.

Adam Hunter, Yoakum. In 65.33 innings he allowed 25 runs (11 earned) and 26 hits. He batted .377 with 29 hits, 6 doubles and 2 home runs. Also scored 26 runs.

Tyler Janota, Gonzales. Went 3-4 with 60 strikeouts and 16 walks in 40 innings of work. Allowed 33 runs (28 earned) and gave up 40 hits and 16 walks.

Cole Robbins, Flatonia. Finished with a 7-2 record and 1.44 ERA.

Josh Velasquez, Flatonia. Had a record of 6-3 with an ERA of 2.40.

Cade Brewer, Sacred Heart. Finished with a 3-1 record and 2.15 ERA and 52 strikeouts in 29.33 innings. Also batted .306 with 11 hits, 3 doubles, 1 home run and 13 RBI. Was named to the TAPPS 3A All-State Team.

Jared Markham, St. Paul. Had a record of 8-2 with

1.11 ERA and 67 strikeouts against 18 walks in 56.2 innings. Batted .348 with 24 hits, 7 doubles, 5 triples and 24 RBI. Was named to the TAPPS 1A/2A All-State and All-State Tournament teams.

Zach Reese, Shiner. Finished with a 7-2 record.

Had 58 strikeouts against 19 walks with 1.98 ERA.

Batted a whopping .448 with 22 runs, 18 doubles, 1 home run and 38 RBI. Was named District 28-1A Most Valuable Player and 3rd Team Catcher on the THSBCA All-State Team.

Raul Tovar, Nixon-Smiley. Only went 2-4, but had 42 strikeouts in 50 innings.

Catchers

Brice Lauer, Yoakum.

347 batting average with 25

hits, 21 runs, 9 doubles, 1

triple, 1 home run and 35

RBI.

Casey Mueller, Sacred

Heart. Hit .509 with 29

hits, 12 doubles, 2 triples, 1

home run and 30 RBI. Was

named to the TAPPS 3A

All-State Team.

Dakota Kresta, St. Paul.

Batted .464 with 32 hits, 5

doubles, 4 triples, 1 home

run and 43 RBI. Made the

TAPPS 3A All-State Team.

Will Bruns, Flatonia.

Versatile player who batted

.467.

Honorable Mention

Cuero – Jordan Boothe,

Logan Goebel, Austin John-

son, Clint Davis, Colton

Jacob, Brayden Sievers and

Dustin Ohrt. Flatonia – Ray

Lopez, Zane Ponder, Colby

Craig, Clay Branecky, Jose

Cedillo. Gonzales – Devin

Benes, Aaron Gaytan, Trey

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Slaton, Marc Magallanez,

Vince Garcia, Anthony Pe-

rales and Aaron Werlein.

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varez and Alex Hernandez.

Sacred Heart – Leighton Pi-

lat, Casey Jirkovsky, Nathan

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Blake McCracken.

Area athletes receive honors

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Yoakum's Adam Hunter made the Texas High School Baseball Coach's Association (THSBCA) All-State 3A Team as a Third Team Pitcher. Cuero's Jordan Boothe was named THSBCA All-State 3A Third Team First Baseman and teammate Logan Goebel was named Third Team Outfielder.

Will Bruns of Flatonia was named to the THSBCA

State 1A Coach of the Year, while Katie Steinhauser was named co-Player of the Year and First Team Pitcher.

Other Lady Bulldogs earning honors included Taylor Williams, who was named First Team Third Base; Courtney Mica, who was named to the Second Team Shortstop and Alex Bruns, who received an Honorable Mention at Second Base.

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Nance, ranked No. 20 in the PBR's Built Ford Tough series standings, got more rides in one night than many riders get in two weeks.

Because a series of injuries sidelined a number of the top riders scheduled to appear in the Gonzales show -- including Ben Jones, Cody Yates, defending champ Kody Lostroh and James White -- Nance turned out on three bulls in the short go-round and

qualified for the finals on each, finishing his evening with six rides.

"It was a challenge," Nance said. "But I wanted it. You always want to ride."

The additional rides enabled Nance to take home money for second, third and fourth place and to earn a check roughly equal to Johnson's. Clayton Baez of Johnson City came on hard in the short go to tie Nance for fourth place in the short go, while Johnson bagged another check for sixth place.

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Check saws.org for drought tolerant plants for your garden and other water saving ideas.



THE GREAT OUTDOORS

The Feral Hog Problem: Results released from Šťastný Whose really is it to solve? Háček Fishing Tournament

Not long ago, a well-intentioned gentleman asked me what I was going to do about the feral hog problem. My answer: "Nothing."

By the look on his face, I'm sure he was a little taken back by my answer, but it was borne of years of ribbing from folks who have a game warden joke (usually the one with the punch line, "What fish?") ever on the tips of their tongues in case of a chance encounter with the local game warden.

We had a good laugh and then I proceeded to explain exactly why I was not part of the solution to the feral hog problem.

Feral hogs, or more correctly, wild pigs, are categorized as exotic animals under state law and, like livestock, belong to the property owner. Because wild pigs are personal property, violations of such laws as hunting without consent are serious and carry heavy penalties.

Wild pigs cause millions of dollars in damage to crops, fences and pastures each year in Texas. They are a nuisance to many land owners, hunters and wildlife managers. Their numbers multiply rapidly

and there is no truly effective mitigation practice in place.

On the other side of the argument, there are those who see the over-population of

Land owners, ranchers and farmers in Texas are and must be the primary solution to the feral hog problem. The state and federal governments are aware that there is a problem and they are working on finding an effective solution, but there are (and very well should be) limits to what the government can do on private property, especially here in Texas where 97 percent of the state is privately owned.

Land owners must communicate best practices and work together to combat the problem. I recently visited with a land owner who had successfully conquered his wild pig problem by installing a specially designed "hog proof" fence around his property and then hunting and trapping

the remaining pigs. He told me that he had not seen a wild pig or any evidence of wild pigs on his property for several years.

The lesson: if a land owner wants to rid his property of wild pigs, it is possible, but it will require hard work and then continued vigilance against reintroduction.

For more information about wild pigs, including state regulations regarding transportation and movement of live wild pigs and current accepted abatement practices, visit the Texas AgriLife Extension Service website at <http://feralhogs.tamu.edu/> and the Texas Animal Health Commission website at www.tahc.state.tx.us.

I'll have more next time on wild pig hunting and some of the associated challenges land owners face. Until next time, I'll see you outside.

The Game Warden

Dan Waddell

Dan Waddell is a Texas Parks & Wildlife Service game warden in Gonzales County.



Cannon News Services

The 7th Annual Šťastný Háček Fishing Tournament was held on June 22 & 23 at Goose Island State Park in Rockport.

Many fishing enthusiasts from all over South Central Texas attended the fundraising event, which benefits religious education in Shiner. On Friday, benefit supporters registered for the competition and had a chance to purchase raffle tickets for the 15 donated prizes. Then, everyone enjoyed a delicious meal of pork steak, pinto beans and potato salad which was prepared by the Shiner KCs.

Saturday's competition was limited to six people per boat (four adults maximum) and children age 16 and under were able to fish free on each team. Fishing began at 5 a.m. with weigh-in from 3:45 p.m. Many of the fishing teams donated their day's catch and everyone enjoyed a great dinner prepared by the Shiner KCs and other volunteers. After the meal, fishing category winners and raffle prize winners were announced.

The tournament committee extends a big "Thank You" to everyone who sup-

ported this year's fundraising event.

Those contributing to the success were the 35 registered fishing teams, which included 33 children and 18 women, the donors of the 15 raffle prizes, and the multitude of generous monetary sponsors.

Since the inception of this tournament, approximately \$105,000 has been raised for the endowment fund, specifically for the religious education of Shiner and surrounding community youth who attend Shiner Catholic School and the CCD program.

For the past three years, this event has been held in memory of Edward J. Beal, D.D.S., who was a devoted supporter of this fundraiser and a faithful, staunch benefactor of Shiner Catholic School.

2012 Category Trophy Winners

Heaviest Redfish: 1st Place – Gulf Coast, 2nd Place – Category 5, 3rd Place – Nemesis Systems

Heaviest Trout: 1st Place – Hook and Looks, 2nd Place – Herbicide Hookers, 3rd Place – AllMed Anglers

Heaviest Combined Stringer (2 redfish; 5 trout):

1st Place – Nemesis Systems, 2nd Place – Herbicide Hookers, 3rd Place – Category 5

Heaviest "Other": 1st Place – Rip Tide, 2nd Place – Hammer Time, 3rd Place – A.J.'s Crew

Most Spots on a Redfish: 1st Place – Hookin' Bulls, 2nd Place – Pascado Grande, 3rd Place – Category 5

Heaviest Flounder: 1st Place – Therapy, 2nd Place – Hook and Looks, 3rd Place – Category 5

Heaviest Redfish (Women's Division): 1st Place – Jackie Boening (AllMed Anglers), 2nd Place – ShyAnne Baros (Hanak's), 3rd Place – Kristine Metcalfe (Stingray)

Heaviest Trout (Women's Division): 1st Place – Brandy Hurta (3 Men and a Lady Fish)

Heaviest Redfish (Kids' Division): 1st Place – Max Patek (Hook 'Em), 2nd Place – Grant Barta (Arthritis & Adolescence), 3rd Place – Colby Blahuta (Therapy)

Heaviest Trout (Kid's Division): 1st Place – Trent Whitley (Hook and Looks), 2nd Place – Jack Janecek (Hook 'Em), 3rd Place – Max Patek (Hook 'Em).

Texas Weekly Fishing Report

GULF COAST REGION

NORTH SABINE – Trout are fair to good under birds and pods of shad on soft plastics. Redfish are good in the marsh on small topwaters and swim baits.

SOUTH SABINE – Trout are fair to good under birds and pods of shad. Trout are good at the jetty on live bait and topwaters. Sheepshead are good on live shrimp tight to the rocks.

TRINITY BAY – Trout are fair for drifters working pods of shad and mullet on Gulp, Bass Assassins, Trout Killers and Sand Eels. Redfish are good on live bait around the reefs. Trout are good at the wells.

EAST GALVESTON BAY – Trout are good for drifters working deep shell on limetreuse and plum plastics. Waders have taken good trout on topwaters on the south shoreline.

WEST GALVESTON BAY – Trout are fair for drifters on live bait over reefs. Sheepshead, redfish and black drum are good at the jetty on shrimp and crabs. Offshore is good for ling, kingfish and red snapper.

TEXAS CITY – Trout are fair to good on April Fool's Reef on live shrimp and croakers. Trout are good in the channel on croakers.

FREEPORT – Trout are good at San Luis Pass on shrimp and Mirrolures. Sand trout and sheepshead are good on live shrimp on the reefs in Christmas Bay. Offshore is good for red snapper, kingfish, ling and dorado.

EAST MATAGORDA BAY – Trout are good for drifters on live shrimp over humps and scattered shell. Redfish are fair

to good on the edge of the Intra-coastal on crabs and mullet and in the middle of the bay on live shrimp.

WEST MATAGORDA BAY – Trout are good on sand and grass humps on soft plastics and topwaters. Redfish are good on topwaters and live shrimp in Oyster Lake and at Twin Islands.

PORT O'CONNOR – Trout and redfish are good on topwaters and live bait over sand, grass and shell in San Antonio Bay. Trout and redfish are fair for drifters working the back lakes with live shrimp. Trout are good in the surf when the wind allows.

ROCKPORT – Trout are fair to good in the guts and channels on free-lined shrimp. Trout are fair over grass while drifting with live shrimp. Redfish are good on the flats on shrimp and topwaters.

PORT ARANSAS – Trout, redfish and sheepshead are fair to good at the jetty on shrimp and croakers. Trout are good in the surf on topwaters and croakers. Offshore is good for kingfish and red snapper.

CORPUS CHRISTI – Trout are fair to good on the edge of the spoils on Gulp and live shrimp. Redfish are good in the potholes on shrimp. Trout are good on croakers in the sand holes.

PORT MANSFIELD – Trout are good on topwaters around sand and grass. Redfish are fair to good while drifting pot holes and while anchored with natural baits at East Cut. Offshore is good for red snapper and kingfish.

SOUTH PADRE – Trout and redfish are fair to good on live bait in the shallows in South

Bay and Mexiquita Flats. Trout, Spanish mackerel and sheepshead are good at the jetty.

PORT ISABEL – Trout and redfish are fair to good on the flats on live shrimp in Airport Cove and Laguna Vista. Trout are good on the deeper edges and flats on topwaters and live shrimp.

HILL COUNTRY REGION

BUCHANAN – Water murky; 83-87 degrees; 23.37' low. Black bass are good on topwaters, Chug Bugs, and Texas rigged watermelon soft plastics. Striped bass are good on minnows, Rat-L-Traps, and swim baits. White bass are fair on minnows and Li'l Fishies around brush. Crappie are fair on minnows. Channel catfish are fair on shrimp and stinkbait. Yellow and blue catfish are good on goldfish and perch upriver.

CANYON LAKE – Water stained; 82-86 degrees; 5.15' low. Black bass are good on topwaters, Rat-L-Traps, and watermelon soft plastics along shorelines. Striped bass are slow. White bass are fair on minnows and Tiny Traps early and late. Smallmouth bass are fair on smoke grubs, and dark crankbaits early. Crappie are fair on minnows and pink tube jigs. Channel catfish are fair on liver and shrimp.

TRAVIS – Water stained; 85-89 degrees; 40.92' low. Black bass are fair on chartreuse soft plastic worms, white grubs, and small topwaters in 10-20 feet. Striped bass are fair on white striper jigs. White bass are fair on green topwaters and minnows. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on stinkbait and shrimp in 20-40 feet. Yellow catfish are slow.

WALTER E. LONG – Water lightly stained. Black bass are fair on shad and chartreuse soft plastic worms. Hybrid striper are slow. White bass are fair on minnows. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on shrimp. Yellow catfish are slow.

BRAUNIG – Water clear; 84-88 degrees; 0.54' low. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and dark soft plastic worms in reeds near the jetty. Striped bass are good down rigging silver spoons near the jetty and dam. Redfish are good down rigging spoons near the jetty and dam. Crappie are good on chartreuse marabou jigs tipped with

Berkley Crappie Nibbles. Blue catfish are fair on prepared bait on rod & reel, and on juglines baited with shad. Yellow catfish are good on trotlines baited with live perch.

LBJ – Water clear; 82-86 degrees; 0.43' low. Black bass are fair on watermelon soft plastic worms and lizards, and on chartreuse Rat-L-Traps. White bass are slow. Crappie are good on minnows and blue tube jigs over brush piles. Channel catfish are good on liver and stinkbait. Yellow and blue catfish are good on goldfish and perch upriver.

TRAVIS – Water stained; 85-89 degrees; 40.92' low. Black bass are fair on chartreuse soft plastic worms, white grubs, and small topwaters in 10-20 feet. Striped bass are fair on white striper jigs. White bass are fair on green topwaters and minnows. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on stinkbait and shrimp in 20-40 feet. Yellow catfish are slow.

WALTER E. LONG – Water lightly stained. Black bass are fair on shad and chartreuse soft plastic worms. Hybrid striper are slow. White bass are fair on minnows. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on shrimp and cut bait. Yellow catfish are slow. Everyone in a boat must have a Mexico fishing license (if fishing the Mexico side) whether fishing or not.

BASTROP – Water stained; 86-89 degrees. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and Rat-L-Traps. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on shrimp, minnows, and nightcrawlers. Yellow catfish are slow.

BRAUNIG – Water clear. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and dark soft plastic worms in reeds near the jetty. Striped bass are good down rigging silver spoons near the jetty and dam. Redfish are good down rigging spoons near the jetty and dam. Crappie are good on chartreuse marabou jigs tipped with

FAYETTE – Water stained. Black bass are good on watermelon soft plastics, spinnerbaits, and crankbaits off points. Channel and blue catfish are fair on shrimp and nightcrawlers.

PRAIRIES AND LAKES REGION

catfish are good on liver, shrimp, and cheese bait near the dam.

CHOKE CANYON – Water clear; 85-88 degrees; 13.53' low. Black bass are good on chartreuse spinnerbaits and crankbaits, and watermelon soft plastics. White bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are fair on live bait.

COLETO CREEK – Water fairly clear; 2.09' low. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and crankbaits. Striped bass are slow. White bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows and white tube jigs. Channel and blue catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live perch.

FALCON – Water clear; 88-92 degrees; 35.49' low. Black bass are good on crankbaits off points. Striped bass are slow. Crappie are good on live minnows over rock piles. Channel and blue catfish are very good on shrimp and cut bait. Yellow catfish are slow. Everyone in a boat must have a Mexico fishing license (if fishing the Mexico side) whether fishing or not.

BASTROP – Water stained; 86-89 degrees. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and Rat-L-Traps. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on shrimp, minnows, and nightcrawlers. Yellow catfish are slow.

BRAUNIG – Water clear. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and dark soft plastic worms in reeds near the jetty. Striped bass are good down rigging silver spoons near the jetty and dam. Redfish are good down rigging spoons near the jetty and dam. Crappie are good on chartreuse marabou jigs tipped with

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Hospital auxiliary installs new officers

On Tuesday, June 26, a luncheon furnished by Gonzales Memorial Hospital and held at the Riverside Center.

New officers were installed by Scottie Beth Baker, President of the Pilot Club of Gonzales. This year's theme is "Volunteers' Angels with Hidden Wings".

In the absence of Chuck Norris, Sascha Kardosz graciously thanked the Auxiliary for consistent volunteer work, the donation of equipment and scholarships for medical studies on behalf of the hospital.

Reports were given by the committee chairmen, two scholarships were approved with a total of 10 for 2011-12. Hour bars were earned by Sally Brown(1020), Mona Baldry (404) Jo

Ann Hajousky (404) and Betty Neubauer (403). The equipment we donated the digital wheelchair scale, the vital signs monitor and the Venous Scope Bunch have been received by the hospital. The July meeting will be held July 31st at 2 p.m. in the hospital dining room.

New officers are as follows: President - Barbara Koricanek, First Vice President - Betty Fink, Second Vice President - Noris Gibson, Treasurer - Leona Zella, Secretary - Carol DuBose, Reporter - Kathleen Caddell and Parliamentarian - Lois Willmann.

This was followed by a business meeting in which Barbara Koricanek appointed committees are as follows: Gift Shop - Leona Zella, Betty Neubauer and Joann Hajovsky, Good Cheer - Sally Brown,

We look forward to a prosperous new year. We appreciate your support of our Gift Shop and vending machines as this allows us to purchase equipment for the hospital and grant scholarships for applicants going into the medical field.



New officers were installed for the Gonzales Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. Pictured are (from left): Barbara Koricanek, Betty Fink, Noris Gibson, Carol DuBose, Leona Zella, Kathleen Caddell and Lois Willmann. Courtesy photo

Camarillo takes district Elks post

AUSTIN — As members of the Elks-USA from across the nation gathered in Austin July 1-5, Carlos Angel Camarillo, of Gonzales, was installed as District Deputy to the Elks National President for the Lodges in the Southwest District of the Texas Elks State Association.

Camarillo was installed at the Order's 148th Elks National Convention currently under way in Austin, Texas, where over 9,000 members and guests were present. He will serve a one-year term.

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Scouting Excursion

This past week, Boy Scouts 14 years and older of Troop 262 went on a High Adventure camp to Scout Sea Base Laguna Station located on South Padre Island. While there, they were taught how to sail on Sunfish by Joseph Cook and Hobie-Cats (catamarans) by Rex Jennings. After spending the week practicing sailing technique, the Scouts capped it off with an approximately 20-mile trip from Laguna Station to Cullen Point. Three Scouts, Ian Maxwell, Dillon Catchings, and Jesus Diaz, along with instructor Jennings made the return trip on Hobie-Cats, sailing approximately 40 miles in one day. Other Scouts who attended were Max Moreno, Dalton Couch, Shane Newton, Seth Rainey and Leaders Dennis Nesser, Jenny Nesser, and Mike Rainey. They were joined by Eli Whitescarver of Troop 231 of Shiner. (Courtesy photo)



Fr. Pete Roebucks Catholic Daughters Court #2140 Officers for 2012-14. Pictured from left are Renee Singleton, Treasurer; Leah Camarillo, Recording Secretary; Bonnie San Miguel, Vice-Regent; Debbie Aleman, Financial Secretary; Suzanne Benes, Regent.

Catholic Daughters welcome new officers

Fr. Pete Roebucks Catholic Daughters Court 2140 met June 26, 2012 at St. James Parish Hall. Varied salads and cake brought by members were enjoyed.

Regent Shirley Hodges introduced Braxton Zella and presented him with the CDA Scholarship Funds. He is attending Texas State.

The meeting was then begun with a prayer led by Bonnie San Miguel and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. During the meeting, the Pro-Life Prayer and the prayer for the Armed Service Persons were said.

There are currently 89 members. Kenyon Brunkenhoefer stated that the Heights residents enjoyed the Bingo which is always on the first Friday of each month. Anyone who can help is always appreciated. Fr. Paul gave a report of the Pastoral Committee in which he stated there will be meetings of the Financial Committee also about land for future building.

CDA served 150 students and leaders at the Vacation Bible School and members

who helped were thanked.

Members voted to donate \$500 to the Gonzales Youth Center to help repair the damage by the vandals.

A letter from Braxton Zella was read in which he thanked the Court for the Scholarship

Regent Hodges introduced the District Deputy, Gussie Machalec. Mrs. Machalec gave information about the CDA State Convention which will be held at La Cantera in San Antonio April 4-7, 2013. Sandra Brown volunteered to be Chairperson of the Welcoming Committee.

The elected officers: Regent - Suzanne Benes; Vice-Regent—Bonnie San Miguel; Treasurer—Renee Singleton; Recording Secretary—Leah Camarillo; and Financial Secretary—Debbie Aleman were installed by Gussie Machalec.

There will be no meeting in July. The next meeting will be a Salad Supper on August 28th.

Regent Benes closed the meeting with the Litany for Liberty.



Noon Lions Club New Members

The Noon Lions Club installed three new members at its business meeting on Monday, July 2. The new members (pictured from left, front row) are Cammy Lewis, Julie Burek and Rebecca Droupy. Their respective sponsors are Lions Margie Radicke, Kenneth Gottwald and LeAnn Wolff. PDG Andy Rodriguez was the installing officer. The meeting was also the first for the club's new officers, led by President Lion Wesley Rodriguez to take over. Lion Wesley made numerous member assignments and discussed various programs that the club will be undertaking this year. The Noon Lions Club meets every Monday at noon at the Riverside Community Center. Anyone interested in learning more about the Lions many local and worldwide humanitarian programs is invited to attend a meeting or contact any Lions Club member. (Courtesy photo)

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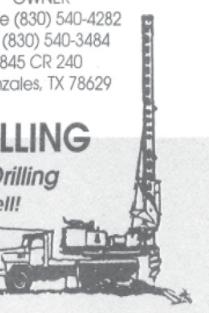


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Catching up with business changes

Bob and Fawn Merrill, owners of Chutes & Boots Inc., were in the office last week to tell us that they are still open out U.S. 183 South, just across from Country Corner Grill, every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. There is a "For Sale" sign out front, but that doesn't mean that they aren't there, hard at work from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. They are only closed on Mondays and Fridays.

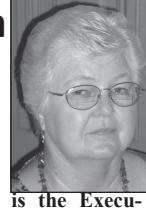
Chutes and Boots is our local boot and shoe repair store, not to mention custom handmade-to-measure boot makers and designers of custom leather accessories. They've been here as chamber members since 2007 and aren't planning to go anywhere; they are happy in Gonzales and we're happy to have them here.

Speaking of established Gonzales businesses, we were really sorry to lose a long-standing chamber member last week, when Rodriguez Body Shop closed after 38 years on St. Lawrence Street, where the business was begun by Jim Rodriguez and continued under his son, Andy Rodriguez. We always hate to lose a business and even more so when it's one that has withstood the test of time, but we wish the family and the employees the best of luck in whatever they choose to do in the future.

Person's Flowers will continue in business, but

Around the Chamber Office

Barbara Hand



Barbara Hand is the Executive Director of the Gonzales Chamber of Commerce.

under new ownership. As of last week, Nancy Logan has officially retired as owner of the business, which has been in Gonzales for more than 50 years. She has turned it over to Jan Wurz, who will be assisted by the business mainstays Donna Malik and Kathy Zella, so everything is in good hands and there's no need to worry.

Craft Crossing is having "Christmas in July" since most of their great classes this month will be Christmas-themed. If you want to learn something new, check out the classes in knitting and crocheting for Christmas and making Christmas tags. Craft Crossing is located at 614 St. Joseph Street.

The Come and Take It Association meeting will be held on Thursday at 5:30 p.m.

South Texas Tours Team Roping will be held on Thursday, and Lone Star Classic Heifer and Steer Show is set for the Show Barn on Saturday and Sunday.

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Brunner receives ICA award

Phil Sadler, President of the Independent Cattlemen's Association (ICA), presents the Trail Blazer Award to Waelder's Lloyd Brunner of the Colorado Valley Chapter at this year's annual meeting. The award recognizes Brunner's valuable contributions, enduring commitments, and unmatched enthusiasm to the ICA. Brunner, a member and past president of the Colorado Valley ICA, owns and operates Triple B Ranch where he runs Beefmaster cattle. He and his wife, Jo, have been extremely active in the community. Brunner most recently has served as member of Muldoon Volunteer Fire Department, Knights of Columbus, Director of Flatonia Farm Bureau and as Vice-President of the Board of the Directors for the Fayette County Groundwater Conservation District. (Courtesy photo)



GYC donation

The Catholic Daughters of America Fr Pete Roebrooks Court #2140 donated \$600 to the Gonzales Youth Center. From left is GYC Director Pat Anders-Ryan, The Catholic Daughters of America Regent Suzanne Benes and GYC Board President David Bird. "The community supports us with our chicken fried steak dinner and donating to GYC is one way we support our community," Benes said. (Photo by Mark Lube)

City becomes first GVTC customer

Cannon News Services

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GVTC has its first customer resulting from the company's expansion into Gonzales this summer. The Smithson Valley based communications company signed an agreement with the city of Gonzales to provide communication services from its fiber network to all municipal offices.

Gonzales will first leverage GVTC's fiber network to establish high-speed computer Ethernet connections between its locations.

Gonzales City hall and the police department were first to be transferred to GVTC service, which

took place on Saturday, June 30. Greg Julius, IT consultant for Gonzales, reported GVTC's fiber connection made an immediate impact, with Internet download speeds at the two locations now almost twice as fast, and upload speeds about nine times faster.

"GVTC's fiber network allows us to use communication services we weren't able to do before, which allows us to operate more efficiently and effectively," Gonzales City Manager Allan Barnes, said. "Their service was also wonderful and they responded to our needs beyond anything we could have imagined."

GVTC will begin offering service throughout the city beginning August 2012. When the expansion is complete, more than 3,850 homes and 560 businesses will have access to a GVTC fiber connection. GVTC will connect service to Gonzales' fire department, library, public works and water station as the company rolls out phases to their locations.

"We're excited our fiber network will deliver the hi-tech communication platform the city of Gonzales needs to serve its citizens in a 21st century world," GVTC CEO Ritchie Sorrells, said. "Our fiber connection to city hall is the first of what we feel will be a very successful expansion into Gonzales."

Area Livestock Reports

Nixon Livestock Commission Report

The Nixon Livestock Commission Inc. report had on hand, July 9, 2012, Volume, 1,244, 1 sheep & goat.

Steers: 200-300 lbs, \$178 to \$188 to \$235; 300-400 lbs., \$152 to \$162 to \$210; 400-500 lbs, \$126 to \$136 to \$164; 500-600 lbs, \$113 to \$123 to \$151;

600-700 lbs, \$101 to \$111 to \$136; 700-800 lbs, \$95 to \$105 to \$115.

Slaughter cows: \$59 to \$91; Slaughter bulls: \$95 to \$107; Stocker cows: \$800 to \$1,170; Pairs, \$1,140 to \$1,400.

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Recent well location reports from the Texas Railroad Commission

Caldwell County

API No: 055-35013
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Eagle Energy Acquisitions LP

Lease Name: Carter Unit
Well No: 7H
Field Name: Salt Flat (Edwards)
Total Depth: 3,000 feet
Direction and Miles: 3.7 miles NE. of Luling
Survey Name: G. Hinds, A-13
Acres: 392.41

API No: 055-35015
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Eagle Energy Acquisitions LP

Lease Name: Northcutt Dye
Well No: 4H
Field Name: Salt Flat (Edwards)
Total Depth: 3,000 feet
Direction and Miles: 5.8 miles NE. of Luling
Survey Name: J. Hinds, A-14
Acres: 129.53

API No: 055-34924
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Eagle Ford Oil Company

Lease Name: D.G. Tiller
Well No: 3H
Field Name: Salt Flat
Total Depth: 3,500 feet
Direction and Miles: 2.9 miles NE. of Luling
Survey Name: G. Hinds, A-13
Acres: 136.8

DeWitt County

API No: 42-123-32819
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Petrohawk Operating Company

Lease Name: Lanik A
Well No: 2H
Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-2)
Total Depth: 14,000 feet
Direction and Miles: 6.47 miles NW. of Nordheim
Survey Name: T. Churmley, A-114
Acres: 600

API No: 42-123-32820
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Petrohawk Operating Company

Lease Name: Musick A
Well No: 2H
Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-2)
Total Depth: 14,000 feet
Direction and Miles: 7.23 miles NW. of Nordheim
Survey Name: A.B. Barrier, A-642
Acres: 306.69

API No: 42-123-32821
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Burlington Resources O and G Co. LP

Lease Name: Kuck Unit A
Well No: 1
Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-2)
Total Depth: 12,600 feet
Direction and Miles: 9.2 miles NE. of Westhoff
Survey Name: D. Davis, A-12
Acres: 304.25

API No: 42-123-32822
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Petrohawk Operating Company

Lease Name: Big Oak B
Well No: 1H
Field Name: DeWitt (Eagle Ford Shale)
Total Depth: 14,000 feet
Direction and Miles: 2.14 miles SW. of Nordheim
Survey Name: S.P. Middleton, A-36
Acres: 499.93

API No: 42-123-32824
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Petrohawk Operating Company

Lease Name: Big Oak A

Well No: 2H

Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-2)

Total Depth: 14,000 feet

Direction and Miles: 2.13 miles SW. of Nordheim

Survey Name: S.P. Middleton, A-36

Acres: 478.61

API No: 42-123-32823
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Petrohawk Operating Company

Lease Name: Big Oak A

Well No: 1H

Field Name: DeWitt (Eagle Ford Shale)

Total Depth: 14,000 feet

Direction and Miles: 2.13 miles SW. of Nordheim

Survey Name: S.P. Middleton, A-36

Acres: 478.61

API No: 42-123-32829
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Petrohawk Operating Company

Lease Name: Krause B

Well No: 6H

Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-2)

Total Depth: 14,000 feet

Direction and Miles: 6 miles

W. of Schulenburg

Survey Name: J.A. Harmon, A-210

Acres: 856.45

API No: 42-123-32622
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Sanchez Oil and Gas Corporation

Lease Name: Salud Unit A

Well No: 1H

Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford 1)

Total Depth: 13,600 feet

Direction and Miles: 6 miles

W. of Schulenburg

Survey Name: J.A. Harmon, A-210

Acres: 904.74

API No: 42-123-32596
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: EOG Resources Inc.

Lease Name: Zimmerman Unit

Well No: 15H

Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-1)

Total Depth: 13,600 feet

Direction and Miles: 6 miles

W. of Schulenburg

Survey Name: J.A. Harmon, A-210

Acres: 443.77

API No: 42-123-32607
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: EOG Resources Inc.

Lease Name: Boothe Unit

Well No: 2H

Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-1)

Total Depth: 12,500 feet

Direction and Miles: 2.7 miles NE. of Glaze City

Survey Name: D. Gray, A-517

Acres: 443.77

API No: 42-123-32607
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Southern Bay Operating LLC

Lease Name: Newtonville North Unit

Well No: 1H

Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-1)

Total Depth: 17,800 feet

Direction and Miles: 19.3 miles NE. of Gonzales

Survey Name: P. Hope, A-252

Acres: 855.92

API No: 42-123-32595
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: EOG Resources Inc.

Lease Name: Dreyer Unit

Well No: 12H

Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-1)

Total Depth: 12,200 feet

Direction and Miles: 1.3 miles NW. of Dreyer

Survey Name: J. McCoy, A-44

Acres: 1,166.18

API No: 42-123-32595
Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: EOG Resources Inc.

Lease Name: Hanson Kullin Unit

Well No: 7HR

Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-1)

Total Depth: 12,500 feet

Direction and Miles: 10.8 miles SE. of Cost

Survey Name: J. Oethkin, A-369

Acres: 640

Survey Name: I RR Co, Section 41, A-258

Acres: 698.06

Fayette County

API No: 149-33260

Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: EOG Resources Inc.

Lease Name: Baird Heirs Unit

Well No: 3H

Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-1)

Total Depth: 12,000 feet

Direction and Miles: 0.1 mile SE. of Sample

Survey Name: B. Davis, A-189

Acres: 533.56

API No: 42-177-32604

Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Geosouthern Energy Corp.

Lease Name: Oro Negro Unit 3

Well No: 1H

Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-2)

Survey Name: R.A. Lott, A-310

Acres: 1,181

API No: 42-177-31867

Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Lucas Energy Inc.

Lease Name: R.V.S. Oil Unit

Well No: 3ST

Field Name: Pilgrim (Austin Chalk)

Total Depth: 9,500 feet

Direction and Miles: 12 miles S. of Gonzales

Survey Name: J.L. Wood, A-473

Acres: 578.17

API No: 42-177-32608

Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Marathon Oil EF LLC

Lease Name: Hines Konderla

Well No: 1H

Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-1)

Total Depth: 14,500 feet

Direction and Miles: 9.2 miles SW. of Gonzales

Survey Name: W.B. Lockhart, A-315

Acres: 348

API No: 42-177-32602

Classification: Fld. Dev. and Horizontal

Operator: Southern Bay Operating LLC

Lease Name: Newtonville North Unit

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Field Name: Eagleville (Eagle Ford-1)

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We are looking for a proven and dynamic professional who will lead and be a positive influence on the department and our community. The Director should be a self-starter, progressive and visionary. Working under the general supervision of the City Manager, work is performed within policies and administrative regulations with wide latitude for exercise of independent judgment.

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THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2012

A great wrapup to a great summer concert series



Chris Salinas and the Wild Grass Band provided live entertainment during the evening hours of this year's Main Street Star Spangled Spectacular. (Photo by Cedric Iglehart)



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Thursday, July 12

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Saturday, July 14

Rosie & The Ramblers at Howard's, Shiner, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 22

Darden Smith at Howard's, Shiner, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, July 25

Bri Bagwell at Gruene Hall, New Braunfels, 8 p.m.

Thursday, July 26

Thursday Night Acoustic Jame at Ole Moulton Bank, Moulton, 6:30 p.m.
Bri Bagwell at Gruene Hall, New Braunfels, 8 p.m.

Saturday, July 15

Frank Foster with Whiskey Sin at Scooter's Dancehall, Moulton, 8 p.m. Tickets \$10.
Johnny Garner at Howard's, Shiner, 8 p.m.

Dolly Shine at Blaine's Pub, San Angelo, 8 p.m.

Friday, July 13

Bri Bagwell at Scooter's, Moulton, 9 p.m. Tickets \$10.

Saturday, July 14

Aaron Einhouse at Howard's, Shiner, 4 p.m.

The Mavericks at Geronimo VFW, 6808 N Highway 123, Geronimo, 3-630 p.m. \$7 cover, smoke-free.

Sunday, July 15

Bri Bagwell at River Road Icehouse, New Braunfels, 8 p.m.

Thursday, July 19

Thursday Night Acoustic Jame at Ole Moulton Bank, Moulton, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 24

Midnight River Choir at Scooter's Dancehall, Moulton, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, July 25

Texas Renegade Band at Howard's, Shiner, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 2

Thursday Night Acoustic Jame at Ole Moulton Bank, Moulton, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, August 3

Musician and Venues: To add or update events, contact us via e-mail to manager@gonzalescannon.com.

'Our Town' kicks off

The Gaslight Baker Theater in Lockhart will present Thornton Wilder's classic "Our Town" over four weekends.

The local effort will be directed by Steve Lawson.

The run kicks off Thursday, July 12 with a "Sneak peek" night at 8 p.m. Tickets will be a \$1 donation, or whatever you can afford.

Evening performances are set at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays July 13-Aug. 4, with matinee performances at 2 p.m. Sunday.

July 22 and Saturday, July 28. Adult tickets are \$12, while senior and children's tickets are \$10.

To purchase tickets, go to <http://www.gaslightbaker-theatre.org/>

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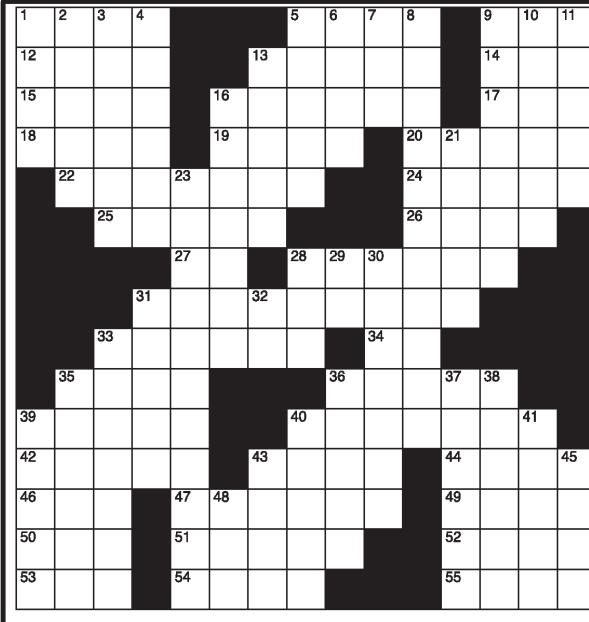
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5. Not hard
9. Revolutions per minute
12. Assoc. of Licensed Aircraft Engineers
13. Being of use or service
14. Macaws
15. 1960's college civil rights organization
16. Protection from extradition
17. Animal examiner
18. Japanese persimmon
19. Commands right
20. A stage of development
22. Irish, English & Gordan
24. Showing keen interest
25. Doyens
26. Remain as is
27. 36 inches (abbr.)
28. Told on

31. Making a sustained din
33. Poked from behind
34. 24th state
35. Himalayan goat
36. Diver breathing gear
39. Groups of three
40. Not tightly
42. Regenerate
43. Strung necklace part
44. Breezed through
46. Imitate
47. Do-nothings
49. Unconsciousness
50. Golf score
51. Fertilizes
52. Used for baking or drying
53. Autonomic nervous system
54. Turner, Williams & Kennedy
55. Hawaiian goose

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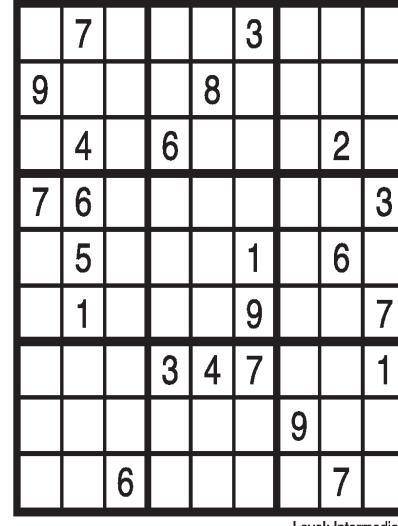
1. Usually in the sun
2. Arm bones
3. Placed on a display stand
4. Repeat a poem aloud
5. Eyelid gland infections
6. Lubes
7. A contagious viral disease
8. Stormy & unpeaceful
9. Devastated & ruined
10. Put in advance
11. Pater's partner
13. Exploiters
16. Meeting schedules
21. Intensely dislikes
23. "Tim McGraw" was her 1st hit
28. Fishing implement

29. Atomic #18
30. Microgadus fish
31. Blue jack salmon
32. Of I
33. Feet first somersault dives
35. Tool to remove bone from the skull
36. Glides high
37. Tower signal light
38. Small recess off a larger room
39. Water chestnut genus
40. City on the River Aire
41. It's capital is Sanaa
43. Lost blood
45. A citizen of Denmark
48. River in NE Scotland

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Rearrange the letters in the word to spell something pertaining to mobile phones.

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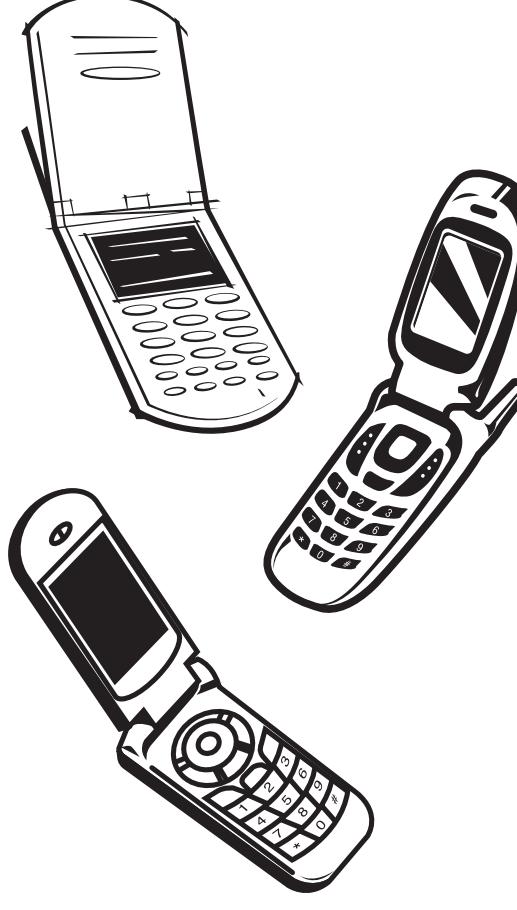
Creative Coloring

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THIS DAY IN...



HISTORY

- 1863: DRAFT RIOTS PROTESTING AGAINST CONSCRIPTION FOR THE CIVIL WAR BEGIN IN NYC.
- 1973: THE "NIXON TAPES" ARE REVEALED TO THE COMMITTEE INVESTIGATING THE WATERGATE BREAK-IN.
- 1977: A NEARLY DAYLONG BLACKOUT HITS NEW YORK CITY, RESULTING IN WIDESPREAD RIOTING AND LOOTING.



mobile

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ENGLISH: Talk

SPANISH: Hablar

ITALIAN: Parlare

FRENCH: Parler

GERMAN: Gespräch



DO NOT GIVE OUT PERSONAL INFORMATION ON A CELL PHONE. YOU CAN BE OVERHEARD OR THE SIGNAL CAN BE INTERCEPTED.



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: MOBILE PHONE

CELL PHONE WORD SEARCH



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android	hertz
base	hotspot
broadcast	java
browser	keys
cache	LED
calendar	lock
calling	memory
camera	mobile
carrier	music
cell	number
code	peak
digital	phone
download	plan
duplex	prepaid
echo	QWERTY
feature	roaming
flash	smart
flip	station
forward	zoom
games	

who want to steal your thunder, you could find a promotion is stolen away as well.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, there is no time for daydreaming right now. There's simply too much to get done. Start on small tasks and build up to the larger ones.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Sometimes the best growth comes from not knowing where you're heading. Scorpio. While you may want to have a game plan, let creative energy drive you instead.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, though right now you can probably get away with saying whatever comes into your mind, it's better to stick to the subject at hand. Censor yourself

a little.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, a fear of failure may override your ambition. Don't let these feelings compromise your plan for doing something new and different.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Febr 18

Aquarius, it can be a little challenging to figure out what is bothering you, but be patient. The truth will be revealed in due time. Focus on something else.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, you may have some unfinished business to complete, but it won't get done right away. Focus on the task at hand.



ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, you could find yourself daydreaming this week, which will only make an important decision even harder to make. You need to focus, or the week will be wasted.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, be careful of a misstep when you move into new territory. Don't leak information before you have fully developed the ideas, or things could get tricky.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Cosmic fog is clouding your reality, Virgo. It is unlikely you will be able to make a sound decision, so it is best to wait a while before tackling difficult or life-altering projects.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

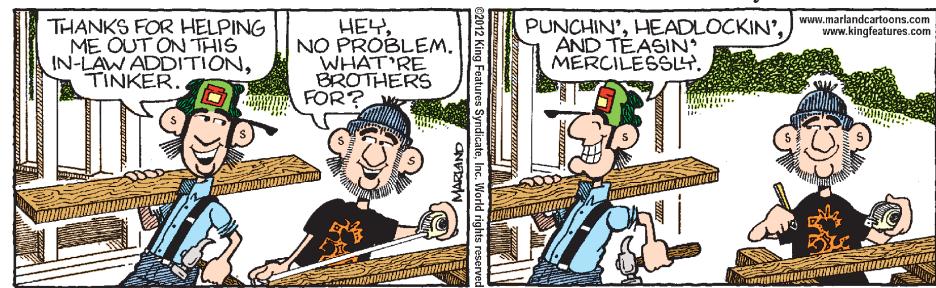
Be careful with whom you share your goals, Gemini. While there just may be a few copycats

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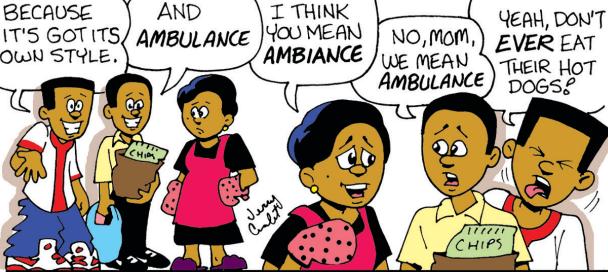
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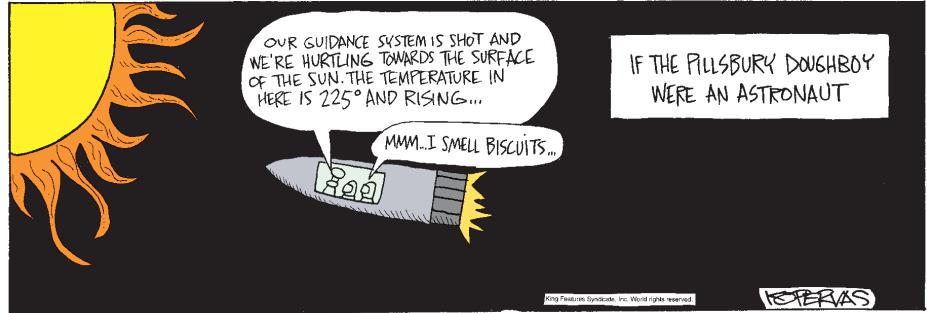


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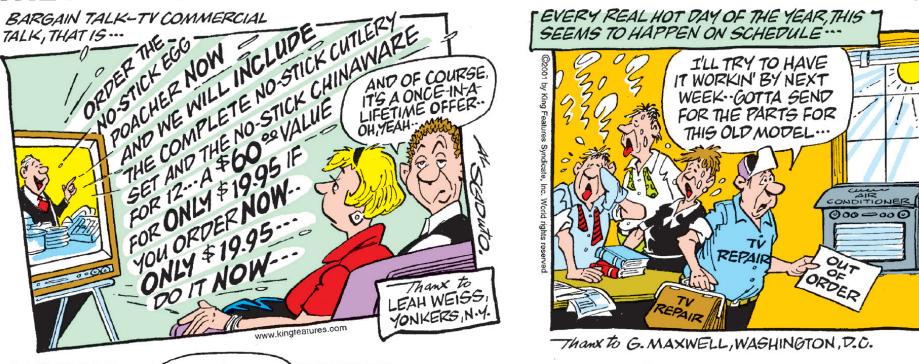


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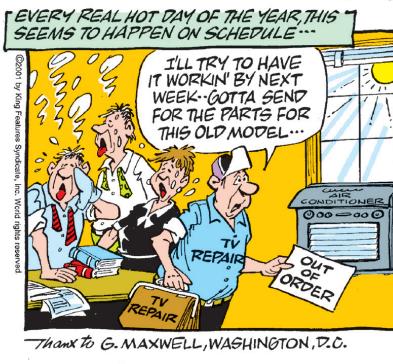


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THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME



BY AL SCADUTO



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FLASH GORDON

BY JIM KEEFE

ENDLESS THAT FLASH HAS FREEZED BLAZE, THE QUEEN ENCASES HIM IN ICE.

"WE MUST FIND BLAZE BEFORE HE REACHES A HEAT SOURCE!"

HERE, HAVE SOME FOOD!

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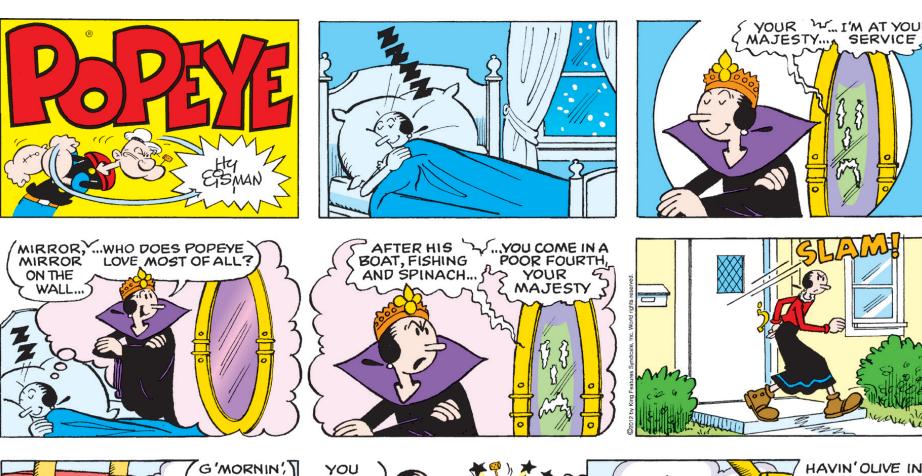
AMBER WAVES



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MIRROR...WHO DOES POPEYE LOVE MOST OF ALL?



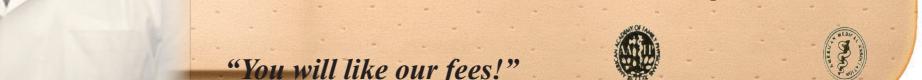
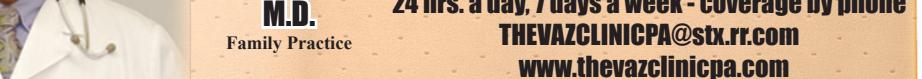
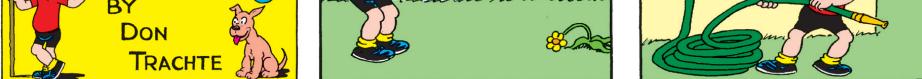
...YOU COME IN A POOR FOURTH, YOUR MAJESTY



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Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

It was double Nobel Prize-winning chemist and peace activist Linus Pauling who made the following sage observation: "The best way to have a good idea is to have lots of ideas."

The acre as a unit of measurement has been with us for quite some time. Originally, an acre was considered to be the amount of land that could be tilled in a single day by one man behind one ox.

If you've seen the movie "The Wizard of Oz," you might remember that in the Emerald City, the horses were

a variety of bright colors. No special effects there -- the set designers simply rubbed the animals with Jell-O powder to achieve the bright hues. Those scenes had to be shot very quickly, though, since the horses had a tendency to lick off their colors.

If you spent some part of the 1980s trying to puzzle out a solution to a Rubik's Cube, you may be surprised to learn that the world record, held by Frenchman Edouard Chambon, is just 9.18 seconds. And it was set in 2008.

You may not have learned

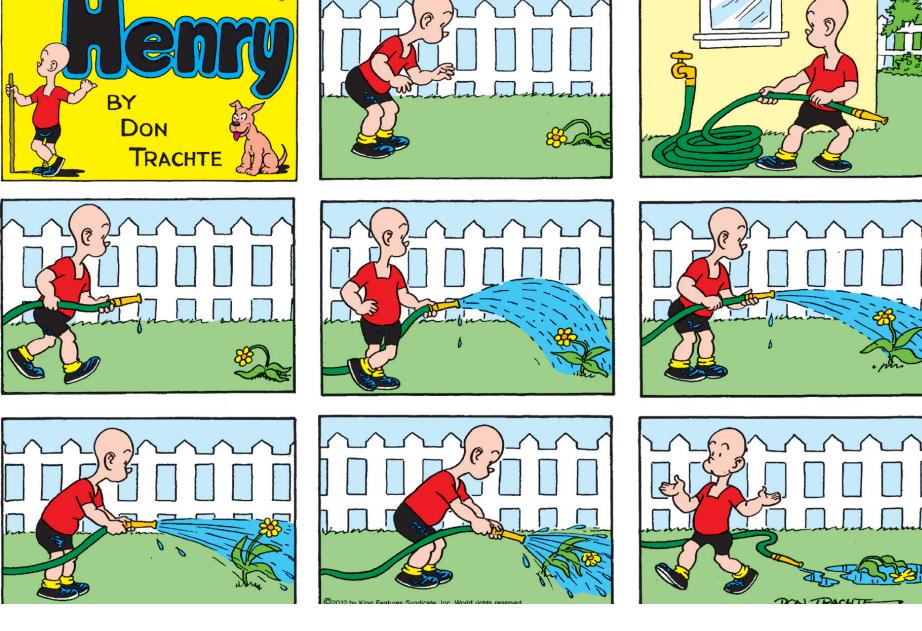
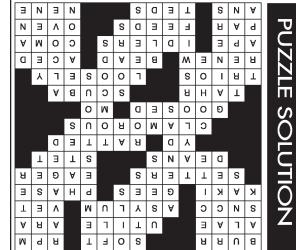
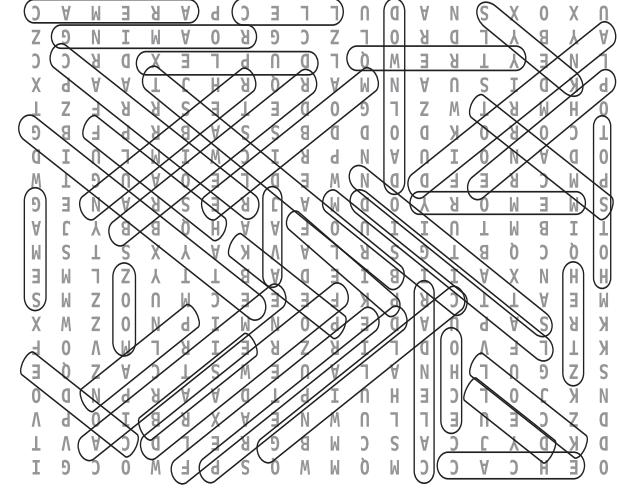
about it in school, but during the summer and early autumn of 1859, the United States and the British became involved in a conflict known as The Pig War. In June of that year, a pig on American soil was shot by a British infantryman in Canada. In response to the provocation, the American militia camped out on the border for four months, until the British finally apologized. No lives were lost (other than the pig's).

Those who study such things say that the lightning on Jupiter is 1,000 times more powerful than the lightning here on Earth.

Thought for the Day: "A person who trusts no one can't be trusted." -- Jerome Blattner

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