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Friday deadline for MISD's online survey

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Parents of Moulton school children have until Friday, July 10, to complete the district's online survey regarding the school's reopening plans for the 2020-21 school year.

In a message posted to the district's website earlier this month, Moulton school superintendent Chris Ulcak urged parents fill out a

quick online survey to help administrators assess their needs for the coming school year, especially in light of the recent surge of coronavirus cases in and around Moulton.

"In order for the board of trustees, administrators, and teachers of Moulton ISD to plan for the return to school in the fall, feedback from our parents is of utmost importance," Ulcak said. "As the district receives

more information from the CDC, the governor and the commissioner of education, plans to keep students safe in light of the pandemic require all new guidelines for re-entry."

The survey for each child in the family can be completed either using the online Google Form found on the school's website, or for those without internet access, by placing a phone

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Four Moulton men jailed on accusations of fraud, organized crime charges

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Four Moulton men were arrested Friday, July 3, on felony capias warrants alleging they engaged insurance fraud and organized criminal activity.

Arrested were Lemuel Matt Jones Jr., Devin Jones, Matthew Akin and Patrick Jalufka, all of Moulton.

All were booked into Lavaca County Jail on the aforementioned charges—insurance fraud (between \$30,000 and \$150,000), a third-degree felony, and engaging in organized crime, a second-degree felony—and all four posted bail that same day.

All four men were indicted by the Lavaca County grand jury last month as part of a roughly four-month-long investigation into the alleged crime by the Moulton Police Department.

The grand jury then issued the capias warrants last month, which remain sealed by the courts until those warrants were served on Friday.

Keep in mind, a grand jury indictment does not necessarily indicate the guilt of accused named in the court instrument. It does, however, indicate that prosecutors have presented enough evidence in a case to warrant a trial, at which time guilt or innocence is ultimately determined by the court.

The investigation remains ongoing, Police Chief Mitchell Bennett said, so additional details were not yet available.

Republicans seek county judge candidates

If you are interested in running for the Republican nomination for Lavaca County Judge on the Nov. 3 ballot, please contact Lavaca County Republican Party Chairman Cheryl Thompson-Draper at (713) 516-8880 or by email at ChairmanLCRP@gmail.com.

Applications will be available beginning Monday, Aug. 3, and the deadline to return is 5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 9. Interviews by the Lavaca County Republican Voting Precinct Chairmen will be held on Saturday, Aug. 15.



KLOESEL'S STEAK HOUSE & BAR

celebrates

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

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Harvey Kloesel remembers well the times he spent in his momma's kitchen, working side by side with her to learn what would one day become for him a calling. A vocation, if you will.

He definitely didn't see that coming, the years he spent growing up in Moulton. In fact, he and wife Diana, both Moulton natives, wasted no time as high schoolers putting their hometown in their rearview.

Harvey headed off to the military as soon as he graduated in 1966 – U. S. Army Airborne Reserves to be exact. He remained in the military for six years while working as a mechanic in Houston before moving back to Moulton.

Diana waitressed at her uncles' landmark Houston restaurant, Ducho's Steakhouse, during summers while in high school. After graduation, she attended business

college in Houston and landed a job with Texaco before returning to Moulton.

While in the military, Harvey says he still felt pulled into the culinary arts.

"As it turned out, I was stationed up north with this artillery unit outside," he says. "It was way too cold for this South Texas boy." So, he requested a reassignment. Anything indoors. There was an opening at the time in the Mess Hall as a cook. Harvey says he took it, ultimately leaving the service six years later as full rank mess sergeant.

But something was missing in all that big city hustle and bustle, Harvey and Diana say, and with a baby on the way, they both found themselves longing to go back home to Moulton.

So, with a hope, a prayer and lots of helpful advice of cooking and restaurant management from Diana's restauranteur uncles Ed

and Calvin Ducho and their wives Wilma and Joann, the Kloesel's opened their first restaurant in Moulton.

It was a rented space that held no more than 32 seats – the Wagon Wheel – located where the Moulton Post Office is today – with Harvey and Diana setting up their home in a mobile home out back.

"People thought we were nuts," Diana says. "I was six months pregnant with our daughter, Laura, at the time. And there we were, moving to Moulton and starting a business all our own."

The date was July 1, 1970. And thank goodness they did.

From those humble beginnings arose an enterprise that would one day become a landmark in their community, and as that anniversary date rolled around again this year, the Kloesels marked their 50th year in the restaurant business.

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Gov. Abbott establishes face covering requirement; issues proclamation to limit gatherings

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With the huge spike in COVID-19 cases taking place all over the state in the last week, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued Executive Order No. 29 this past Thursday requiring all Texans to wear a face covering over the nose and mouth in public spaces in counties with 20 or more positive COVID-19 cases, with few exceptions.

The Governor also issued a proclamation giving mayors and county judges the ability to impose restrictions on some out-

door gatherings of over 10 people, and making it mandatory that, with certain exceptions, people cannot be in groups larger than 10 and must maintain six feet social distancing from others.

"Wearing a face covering in public is proven to be one of the most effective ways we have to slow the spread of COVID-19," Abbott said in a press release. "We have the ability to keep businesses open and move our economy forward so that Texans can continue to earn a paycheck, but it requires

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Primary run-off election Tuesday

Early voting in primary run-off elections ends Friday with the general election to take place Tuesday, July 14.

According to Lavaca County elections administrator Gwen Holt, voting precincts have been consolidated for the July 14 election.

In the Republican Primary run-off for the Commissioner 3 race, voters who reside in voting precincts 9, 11, 15, 29 and 32 will vote at the Shiner Public Library located at 115 E. Wolters/Second St. in Shiner.

The Democrat Primary run-off will be held at the following locations:

- Voters residing in voting precincts 1, 2, 12, 19, 20, and 27 will vote at the Lavaca County Courthouse, 109 N. La Grange St., Hallettsville.
- Voters residing in voting precincts 7, 8, 23, and 31 will vote at

the Moulton Community Center, 102 Veterans Drive, Moulton.

- Voters residing in voting precincts 9, 11, 15, 29 and 32 will vote at the Shiner Public Library, 115 E. Wolters/Second St., Shiner.

- Voters residing in voting precincts 16, 17, 26 and 30 will vote at the Yoakum Methodist Church, 1026 E. Gonzales St., Yoakum.

"If you (voters) do not know which voting precinct you are in, please call my office at (361) 798-3594," Holt said.

CANDIDATES ON BALLOT

Both the Republican Party and Democrat Party have run-off voting taking place with the winners in the run-off to be on the ballot in the November general election.

On the Republican Party ballot there is only one run-off race involving Kenny W. Siegel and Cleve Handley vying for the County Commissioner Precinct

3 chair. The winner will be unopposed in the general election to be held on Tuesday, Nov. 3.

The Democrat Party ballot has two positions to select for the November election.

In a run-off for United States Senator, Royce West will face Mary "MJ" Hegar with the winner running against Republican Party incumbent John Cornyn in November.

Also on the Democrat Party ballot, Roberto R. "Beto" Alonzo is running against Chrysta Castaneda for a spot in November against Republican Party candidate James "Jim" Wright for Texas Railroad Commissioner.

In the run-off for commissioner's position, only those voters who reside in Precinct 3 can vote in the election.

In addition, there is no requirement to have previously

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LOCAL MEETINGS

MOULTON MASONIC LODGE 298

Meets fourth Friday at 7:30 p.m.
 With a meal at 6:30 p.m.
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 President - Danielle Buehring

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MOULTON CITY COUNCIL

Meets every second Tuesday at Moulton City Hall at 6:30 p.m.

AREA MEETINGS

- **The Vietnam Veterans of America and the Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America** meet the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Hotel Texas. Any veteran serving from 1957 to 1975 is invited to join the Vietnam Veterans (VVA). For more info on VVA, contact Ron Ridgeway at 281-684-9493.

- **The Lavaca County Commissioners Court** meets at 10 a.m. every second and fourth Monday of each month in the Commissioners' Court Room, first floor, Lavaca County Courthouse.

- **The Family Caregivers Support Group** meets at First United Methodist Church, 407 N. Bridge, Victoria the second Thursday of the month, 10:30 a.m. until noon, with its focus on caregiver support. For more information, contact Mary Holmes, R.N. Caregiver Specialist with the Golden Crescent Area Agency on Aging, at 578-1587, or Kathy Frels, R.N., Wesley Nurse at First United Methodist Church, at 578-5553.

- **The Crossroads Equestrian Club (CEC)** meets every second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. New members are welcome. Call Glenda Klmitchek at 361-798-2899 or Kay Jones at 361-798-7199 for more information.

- **Republican Women of Yoakum Area meetings** second Wednesday of the month, 11:30 a.m., Yoakum Community Center.

- **Lavaca County Republican Party monthly meeting** is on the 4th Tuesday evening every month beginning at 6:30 p.m. Meeting locations move around the county each month for conservation citizens attendance and information. Please contact LCRP Chairman Cheryl Thompson-Draper for the current month's 713-516-8880 (text or call) or Chairman.LCRP@gmail.com

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LONE STAR DIARY

John Henry Brown Indian-fighting politician

John Henry Brown was seventy-five years of age when he left this earth in 1895. Like so many other men who came to Texas, Brown led a colorful life filled with excitement and success.

In her piece that appears in *The Handbook of Texas*, Erma Baker writes that John Henry Brown was born in Missouri. His father Henry S. Brown had moved to Texas, leaving his family behind in Missouri – the elder Brown was active in Texas politics until he died in 1834.

The young John Henry was already working in a printing office at the age of twelve and was on the way to a career in the newspaper business. Although he didn't have much schooling, the youth worked for several Missouri newspapers.

However, the young man decided to move to Texas in 1837 and live with his uncle John Kerr on land near the Lavaca River. But it seems that John Henry Brown became bored with rural life and moved to Austin where he could once again work as a newspaperman.

In 1840, hostile Indians were threatening the frontier, and being a somewhat adventurous youth Brown decided to try his hand at Indian fighting – he was a private in the militia and participated in the Battle of Plum Creek. He must have been a good soldier because a year later he was promoted to sergeant.

Brown's newspaper career had to stay on hold due to another at-

tempted invasion into Texas by the Mexican army. He became a member of John C. Hays' company after the Battle of Salado Creek. He also took part in the Somervell Expedition before returning to San Antonio.

April of 1843 would find Henry Brown back in Missouri where he married Marion Mary F. Mitchell on July 9. After two years in Missouri, Brown decided to bring his wife and return to Texas. They lived in Rock Spring and then Victoria where he went to work for the *Victoria Advocate*.

Always willing to defend his home, he became a major in the state militia. By 1848, the Brown family included two sons and they moved to Indianola where John Henry founded and edited the *Indianola Bulletin*.

By 1854, Brown was working in Galveston for the *Civilian and Galveston Gazette*. He was a popular man in the island city – he was elected to the state legislature and then to the mayor of Galveston. He was editor of several more Texas newspapers during his life.

When the Civil War came along,

John Henry joined the Confederate army – he served on Brig. Gen. Benjamin McCulloch's staff. Later he was a member of the staff of Gen. Henry E. McCulloch until he became ill in 1863 and returned home. But always the patriot, Brown continued to serve with the Texas militia.

After the South surrendered, Brown and his family emigrated to Mexico where they settled in the Tuxpan River valley. While in Mexico he was once again in politics serving under the government of Maximilian.

The family returned to Texas in 1871 and by that time three more children had been added to the group. Brown would continue to work for newspapers after he settled in Dallas and as always, he stayed involved in politics.

Brown served as a state commissioner for locating school lands. He was a Dallas alderman and became mayor of that city from 1885 to 1887. He was also a justice of the peace.

Before he died in 1895, Brown wrote the following books: *The History of Dallas County*; *The Life and Times of Henry Smith*; *Indian Wars and Pioneers of Texas*; *The History of Texas from 1685 to 1892*.

John Henry Brown joins a long list of people who came to Texas for a new beginning, and their accomplishments created an unsurpassed legacy in the history of the Lone Star State.



By Murray Montgomery

COVID cancels Texas Water Safari

The 58th annual Texas Water Safari will not be held this because of the ongoing coronavirus crisis, board directors decided Tuesday.

"The Texas Water Safari Board has made the difficult decision to cancel the Texas Water Safari scheduled for Sept. 12," they group announced in

a statement just before noon on Tuesday. "The Texas Water Safari will not be rescheduled in 2020."

"This was not an easy decision but we felt necessary to make the decision now so racers can plan accordingly," their news release continued. "As we all know, the race

covers 260 miles through multiple counties and cities. All have authority to make their own guidelines regarding COVID-19. The uncertainty of the virus, working with local governments along the racecourse, and providing a safe race for not only the racers but the race officials, support crews

and spectators were part of the decision to cancel the Texas Water Safari."

Refunds will be issued as soon as possible, it added.

"Stay healthy and we hope to see everyone the second weekend in June of 2021," the board members said.

Members of the Texas Water Safari board include Harvey Babb, Jay Daniel, Allen Spelce, Jerry Cochran and Bob Spain.

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call to the administration office at (361) 596-4609.

The survey may be accessed directly at https://forms.gle/kevMYKYjT-gQMtcnaA/.

In addition to asking for basic contact information from respondents, the survey asks parents to identify which campus their child(ren) will be attending in the coming school year and then asks them to rate various aspects of the district's reopening plan by answering a few yes/no questions and rating a few of proposed health guidelines as either "necessary" or "not necessary."

Subjects covered in the survey include questions on student learning preferences (in-person classes, online/remote learning classes and hybrids of those), parents' thoughts on school health and safety protocols, and anticipated transportation plans for the coming year dealing with how students will get to and from school.

"Parental input is vital to the planning process, and the district thanks our MISD family for your continued feedback and support," he said. "As always, the safety and educational needs of our students are our No. 1 priority."

Official Ballot - Republican Party Primary Runoff Election

(Boleta Oficial) - (Elección Primaria Decisiva del Partido Republicano)

Lavaca County, Texas
 (Condado de Lavaca, Texas)

July 14, 2020
 (14 de julio de 2020)

Instruction Note: Vote for the candidate of your choice by darkening in the oval (●) provided to the left of the name of that candidate.
 (Nota de Instrucción: Vote por el candidato de su preferencia llenando completamente el espacio ovalado (●) a la izquierda del nombre del candidato.)

"I am a Republican and understand that I am ineligible to vote or participate in another political party's primary election or convention during this voting year."
 ("Yo soy Republicano y comprendo que no soy elegible para votar o participar en la elección primaria o la convención de algún otro partido político durante este año electoral.")

County (Condado)
County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3 (Comisionado del Condado, Precincto Núm. 3) Kenny W. Siegel Cleve Handley

Official Ballot - Democratic Party Primary Runoff Election

(Boleta Oficial) - (Elección Primaria Decisiva del Partido Democrático)

Lavaca County, Texas
 (Condado de Lavaca, Texas)

July 14, 2020
 (14 de julio de 2020)

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 ("Yo soy Demócrata y comprendo que no soy elegible para votar o participar en la elección primaria o la convención de algún otro partido político durante este año electoral.")

Federal (Federal)
United States Senator (Senador de los Estados Unidos) Royce West Mary "MJ" Hegar
State (Estado) Railroad Commissioner (Comisionado de Ferrocarriles) Roberto R. "Beto" Alonzo Chrysta Castañeda

RWOYA announce upcoming meeting

This is Texas Freedom Force (TITFF) to speak at RWOYA, Thursday, July 9, at the Yoakum Community Center, Yoakum. Light snacks provided, open to the public at no charge. Doors open at 6 p.m.

Where were you when the brave men and women of This is Texas Freedom Force stood tall defending the Alamo and it's Cenotaph? Who are these patriots that travel Texas and keep a protective watch on our state and national historic treasures? Did you see them in Gonzales last weekend, defending the Confederate Statue? They are not affiliated with any political party but they are Texans, through

and through. Special guest will include Jim Wright, our Republican candidate for the Texas Railroad Commission. Come hear him to see what he represents.

Two candidates running for Vice Chairwoman of the RPT. (Republican Party of Texas). Incumbent, Alma Jackson and opponent, Cat Parks will be here to bid for the votes of all delegates attending the Republican Convention in Houston. If you are attending the convention as a delegate or alternate, don't miss this meeting.

Submitted by
Linda Guidry
First Vice President
Program Chair
Republican Women of Yoakum Area



Members of the Emergency Medical Task Force and Texas National Guard gather for a group shot following week's COVID testing clinic held in Hallettsville Thursday, July 2. More than 1,300 people get COVID tested in Lavaca County

COVID-19 tests given in Lavaca County

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A total of 1,303 COVID-19 tests were administered in Lavaca County last week at three separate walk-in clinics held in Yoakum, Hallettsville and Shiner, part of state health department's efforts to alleviate demand for testing on local facilities

According to Egon Barthels, emergency management coordinator for Lavaca County, a total of 500 tests were given at the Yoakum Community Center on Wednesday, July 2, with another 803 tests given in Hallettsville and Shiner at clinics held in those towns on Thursday, July 3.

Barthels reported that 500 tests were given at the Hallettsville Knights of Columbus Hall (including Test No. 500 taken by Hallettsville Mayor Alice Jo Summers), and 303 tests were given at Shiner's St. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church Parish Hall.

Both of Thursday's clinics took place as Lavaca County set new highs for its COVID case count—there were 155 confirmed cases of last Thursday, a number that had climbed to XXX cases on Monday) and Texas Gov. Greg Ab-

bott issued his latest round of executive orders, making the wearing of cloth facemasks in public mandatory for all Texans and limiting outside gatherings to 10 people.

"We are pleased with the turnout and glad to help alleviate the demand for testing on local facilities," Barthels said. "I cannot begin to express how thankful I am to (in no particular order) the City of Yoakum, Yoakum Police Department, Yoakum Fire & EMS, DeWitt County Emergency Management, the City of Shiner, Shiner Police Department, Father Bryan and Saints Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church, Shiner Catholic School, Friday's Fried Chicken, Shiner BBQ Company, Denise Henke, Hallettsville Knights of Columbus Council No. 2433, Liz and Joan in the K of C Hall office, the City of Hallettsville, Hallettsville Po-

lice Department, Texas Division of Emergency Management, Texas Parks & Wildlife Game Wardens, the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) and the Emergency Medical Task Force. The combined efforts of all made the event run smoothly. Thank you!"

Barthels added that he had fielded several questions since last week's testing clinics on where people can still be tested for coronavirus.

To register for test collection at a Mobile Test Collection Site, including those that are administering the new mouth swab tests, please visit <https://texas.curativeinc.com/welcome/> or call (512) 883-2400. To find a test facility near you, follow the links provided on the Lavaca County Emergency Management Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/LavacaCoEM/> or visit the DSHS web-

site at <https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/>.

"At this time many of the private locations are not testing due to shortage of supplies or the lab that they used is not accepting any test because of the backlog tests pouring in from all across state," he said. "If you are wanting to be tested, please only go if you feel you have symptoms or have been exposed to someone who tested positive."

At the private labs, Barthels also warned, patients will be responsible for any fees associated with the test, and most require a doctor's order to get the test performed.

Those who took tests last week at the Yoakum, Shiner, and Hallettsville clinics can expect results within five days. If you have questions or have not received your results as of this publication, please call (833) 213-0643 or email covid@davacoinc.com.

Youth Mental Health First Aid Program to be offered Aug. 3

Youth Mental Health First Aid USA is an 8 hour public education program which introduces participants to the unique risk factors and warning signs of mental health problems in adolescents, builds understanding of the importance of early intervention, and teaches individuals how to help an adolescent in crisis or experiencing a mental health challenge. Mental Health First Aid uses role-playing and simulations to demonstrate how to assess a mental health crisis; select interventions and provide initial help; and connect young people to professional, peer, social, and self-help care.

Participants do not learn to diagnose, nor how to provide any therapy or counseling rather, participants learn to support a youth developing signs and symptoms of a mental illness or in an emotional crisis by applying a core five-step action plan.

On Monday, Aug. 3, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office of Fayette County will conduct this workshop at the Randolph Recreation Center in La Grange, Texas. The program is being offered in collaboration with Re-build Texas Fund. There is no cost for the event, but the class is limited to the first 30 to register.

To register or for further information, con-

tact the Fayette County Extension Office at (979) 968-5831.

Turtle Wing Foundation is collaborating with Fayette County Extension Office to offer this training along with a second training with a focus on Adult Mental Health First Aid to be announced soon. These training opportunities are important for all community members, in particular those involved in education, ministry, or any youth service organization.

Parents, guardians or any family member of a child aged 12-18 are encouraged to attend as well. Many consider CPR and First Aid as training all responsible adults should be familiar with.

In today's society, having this basic Mental Health First Aid knowledge is also critical.

This training is free and will provide critical tools that may save a life.

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Announcing a Summer Art Contest

Calling on all artists of all ages that would like to share creative ability! The theme for this summer contest: "What did you do in the last three months?" Use any medium. Show us your creative efforts.

Entering is easy. Take a photo of your artwork and email it by July 31 to venue@halletoakgallery.com and include your full name and age. Prizes are sponsored by H-E-B.

Georgia Pohl, Hallet Oak Gallery's master art summer instructor has some suggestions:

Have fun being creative

The best art comes from the heart

Do not be afraid to start something over if you are not happy with the first result

Look around you for inspiration but use your imagination as well

"The Gallery looks forward to seeing what you



QUINN HARPER DE LA ROSA

have done and sharing it online and publishing the winners. Remember the deadline for entering is July 31. Good luck and happy creating!", says Georgia Pohl.

Mieko Mahi, Hallet Oak Gallery's Executive Director explains, "With safety as a priority the Hallet Oak Gallery will be closed until August. The Governor of Texas, Greg Abbott, is encouraging people to remain vigilant, wear a pandemic mask in public, social distance, and stay home

if they can. We are continuing to promote the 2020 artists for online sales, offering curb side purchases and we are encouraging donations and raffle sales through our website www.halletoakgallery.com and we are continuing rentals of the Gallery.

Free admission to events at Hallet Oak Gallery, 115 N. Main St., Hallettsville, Texas 77964. 361-217-7030 www.halletoakgallery.com.

Covid guidelines will apply.

Gone, but not forgotten

The changing face of funerals during a pandemic

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With COVID-19, funerals are having to break tradition and look differently to keep everyone safe.

Normally, a local funeral would consist of a large gathering with a lot of hugs and handshakes, a service at the funeral home or church, a procession to a short service at the cemetery followed by a luncheon.

A few southern funeral traditions that our community holds dear are attending the funeral to show respect for not just the lost loved one but also for the family and friends of the loved one. Southern funerals also consist of a procession of vehicles led by law enforcement to the cemetery where another short service will follow. On the way to the cemetery, the pro-

cession of vehicles will have their lights on and others on the road pull over to show respect to the grieving family and friends.

Another southern tradition is the luncheon that follows the burial. Sometimes it is provided by a group from a church and other times it is catered. Either way, it is a time of fellowship where stories about the lost loved one is shared over a nice meal.

To remain safe today, our funerals are having to look differently. In some cases, funerals are being delayed until later, so a traditional gathering can be held. Others are having to limit the number allowed to attend the actual service.

Face masks are required in the funeral homes and churches, so conversations are short with limited contact.

Luncheons are not being held to prevent the spreading of the virus.

With all these changes making funerals look differently, let's hold on to the traditions we safely can.

For example, if a funeral procession passes by with their lights on, pull over and show respect for the lost loved one, it means a lot to the family. Send cards and flowers to the service with a personal message that you would have said to the family at the funeral. Call and share stories about the loved one with family as you would have done at the luncheon.

Our traditions may have to look a bit differently right now, so we will have to be a little creative in our ways of demonstrating our love and respect to the family.

TOWN CRIER

MOULTON HERMANN SONS LODGE MONTHLY MEETING CANCELLED

The Moulton Hermann Sons Lodge monthly meeting for July has been cancelled due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Food Assistance Program-CFAP

Agricultural producers in Lavaca and surrounding counties can now apply for USDA's Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP), which provides direct payments to offset impacts from the coronavirus pandemic.

Applications will be accepted through Aug. 28, 2020. Through CFAP, USDA is making available \$16 billion for vital financial assistance to producers of agricultural commodities who have suffered a five-percent-or-greater price decline due to COVID-19 and face additional significant marketing

costs as a result of lower demand, surplus production, and disruptions to shipping patterns and the orderly marketing of commodities.

We also want to remind producers that the program is structured to ensure the availability of funding for all eligible producers who apply. In order to do this, producers will receive 80 percent of their maximum total payment upon approval of the application. The remaining portion of the payment, not to exceed the payment limit, will be paid at a later date nationwide, as funds

remain available.

Eligible commodities include:

- Livestock (cattle, hogs, sheep)
- Non-Specialty Crops
- Specialty Crops
- Applying for Assistance

Producers of all eligible commodities will apply through their local FSA office. Documentation to support the producer's application and certification may be requested.

Contact 361-798-3277 ext 2.

Producers can find additional information at farmers.gov/cfap.

Attention Voters of Lavaca County

Notice is hereby given to all Lavaca County Voters.

Primary Runoff Early Voting:

June 29 - July 10, 2020

Monday-Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Lavaca County Courthouse Annex, 412 N Texana, Hallettsville, TX

Closed Friday July 3, 2020 in observance to Independence Day.

Primary Runoff Election Day: July 14, 2020

The "Republican Primary Runoff for the Commissioner 3 race"

will be held at the following:

- Shiner Public Library, 115 E Wolters/Second St, Shiner, TX Precincts 9,11,15,29,32 will vote here

(Only those in the Commissioner 3 Precinct can vote in the Republican Primary Runoff)

The "Democratic Primary Runoff" will be held at the following:

Pct. 1- Lavaca County Courthouse, 109 N. LaGrange St, Hallettsville, TX Precincts 1,2,12,19,20,27 will vote here

Pct. 23- Moulton Community Center, 102 Veterans Drive, Moulton, TX Precincts 7,8,23,31 will vote here

Pct. 29- Shiner Public Library, 115 E Wolters/Second St, Shiner, TX Precincts 9,11,15,29,32 will vote here

Pct. 30- Yoakum Methodist Church, 1026 E. Gonzales, Yoakum, TX Precincts 16,17,26,30 will vote here

If you don't know which Precinct you're in please call our office (361)798-3594 Thank you, Gwen Holt, Elections Administrator

Annual Hair Cut-A-Thon July 15 – Aug. 15

The 2nd Annual Cut-A-Thon benefitting the Turtle Wing Foundation will be a little different this year due to the COVID 19 requirements.

We do not know yet what the "back to school" process will look like. But we do know that we will all need a haircut before it starts! The stylists will

be asked to donate \$1 for each haircut to the Turtle Wing Foundation, as well as accept donations from clients, for a whole month, July 15 thru Aug. 15.

Stylists and salons will receive advertising on social media, a Turtle Wing t-shirt and other goodies. The salon that raises the most money

will receive cookies and recognition! It is a great opportunity to share with clients about Turtle Wing Foundation. We will share information at each stylist's station about a program offered, educational information about learning disabilities, and even highlight some of our participants!

The more our services and stories are shared, the more kids and families we will be able to reach. The Foundation serves Colorado, Fayette and Lavaca Counties.

Turtle Wing Foundation encourages you to check with your stylist and see if they are participating. Then make your appointment with them or a stylist that is participating.

For more information or to sign up, contact: Phyllis Fritsch, 979-505-5090, phyllis@turtlewingfoundation.org.



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Winner of EEA Quilt

The winner of the 2020 Lavaca County Extension Education Association quilt was Ashley Hernandez. Thank you to all who bought tickets to support this organization in their community service efforts.



JOHN WENSKE



ABBY HERMES



GARRET DRABEK



NOLAN STEFFEK

4-H Scholars earn \$33,000

Four outstanding members of Lavaca County 4-H were recently honored during the Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship recognition. Nolan Steffek, Garret Drabek, John Wenske, and Abby Hermes were among an elite group of Texas 4-H members to receive scholarships awarded by the Texas 4-H Foundation.

Nolan Steffek, son of Jennifer and Steven Steffek, graduated from Sacred Heart High School and had been a member of 4-H for 10 years. He was a member of the Lavaca River Oaks Club. Nolan joined 4-H because he wanted to participate in the activities his older sister was already doing. Nolan says 4-H taught him to “work hard and to have confidence in myself.” Nolan participated in the beef and shooting sports projects. He plans to attend the Texas State Technical College Aircraft Pilot Training program to pursue a career as a commercial pilot. Nolan was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship from the KHC Family Foun-

ation. Garret Drabek and John Wenske were each awarded \$5,000 by the McLean Estate. They are both members of Moulton 4-H. Both completed ten years of 4-H and like Nolan, joined so that they could do what other family members were doing. Garret is the son of Anita and Roy Drabek. He says, “4-H showed me that it is not always about the final destination, but we should always focus on the journey.” While in 4-H he participated in beef, food and nutrition, and shooting sports projects. Garret will be attending Texas A&M to pursue Veterinary Medicine in the fall.

John is the son of Mary Ann and Patrick Wenske. John says 4-H taught him that “team work gets things done and being prepared is a key to success.” John’s main projects have included swine, poultry including peafowl, horticulture, and community service. John will be attending Texas A&M in the fall to pursue a degree in political sci-

ence. He plans to get a law degree and pursue a political career.

Abby Hermes is the daughter of Tom and Lisa Hermes. Abby has also been in 4-H for 10 years and joined because of family. Abby was awarded \$20,000 from the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. Abby says that 4-H has taught her to “give it your all in everything that you do; because, even if you don’t finish

how you wanted to, you know that you gave it your all and that’s all that matters . . . Never be afraid to be yourself because you won’t succeed by trying to be someone else.” Abby participated in shooting sports, swine, consumer decision making, and foods and nutrition. She, too, will be attending Texas A&M in the fall to major in Biomedical Sciences. She plans to become a surgeon.

Hanslik awarded Scholarship

The Lavaca County Czech Heritage Society has awarded an academic scholarship to Madalyn Hanslik, daughter of Dennis and Kathy Hanslik of Smithville and granddaughter of Joe and Mary Alice Machicek of Shiner.



MADALYN HANSLIK

Madalyn graduated from Smithville HS and was active in volleyball, FFA and the National Honor Society. She plans to attend

Blinn College in College Station and pursue a degree in Agriculture Business.

LAVACA COUNTY 4-H NEWS

Thirty-nine 4-H members submitted recordbooks for county evaluation. Recordbooks provide 4-H members the opportunity to showcase the knowledge and skills they have learned in their completed projects. The recordbook consists of a story and photo portfolio and a report form. Outstanding recordbooks tend to be more than twenty pages long. 4-H members who take the time to keep good records report that the skills they gain in learning to complete recordbooks aided them in completing applications for scholarships, college admission, and employment.

First place winners will advance to District judging on July 9. The county results are:

JUNIOR

Swine: Sophia Etzler, 1st place
Sheep: Addisyn Grieve, 1st place

INTERMEDIATE

Leadership: Callie Chrismon, 1st place
Vet Science: Brady Haas, 1st place, Clayton Haas, 2nd place
Food & Nutrition: Amanda Janak, 1st place
Ag Science: Zachary Henke, 1st place, Nathan Henke, 2nd place
Swine: Kodie Bible, 1st place
Beef: Macy Pustka, 1st place, Ryan Janak, 2nd place, Abigail Hill, 3rd place

SENIOR

Citizenship: Laynie Bowman, 1st place, Abby Hermes, 2nd place
Ag Science: Samantha Henke, 1st place, Brenden Henke, 2nd place
Gardening: John Berckenhoff, 1st place
Rabbit: Madelyn Hynes, 1st place, Savannah Filip, 2nd place, Julia Machacek, 3rd place
Leadership: Lani Pilat, 1st place, Jacy Chrismon, 2nd place, Elliott Peters, 3rd place
Health: Luke Bludau, 1st place, Arielle Bennetsen, 2nd place
Swine: Catherine Wenske, 1st place, Bret Etzler, 2nd place
Beef: Derrick Janak, 1st place, Nolan Steffek, 2nd place, Adam Steffek, 3rd place, and Jonah Hermes, 4th place
Poultry: John Wenske, 1st place
Food & Nutrition: Emma Grahmann, 1st place, Ted Machacek, 2nd place
Entomology: Caden Chrismon, 1st place
Vet Science: Carley Haas, 1st place

State Invitational Photography Contest

With the cancellation of Texas 4-H Round-Up, the decision was made to make the state photography contest invitational for all senior (high school) level 4-H members. There were 1,452 entries submitted from across the state. Nine members of Lavaca County 4-H participated and did very well. Tristan Meisetschleager, of Moulton, won Best of Show with his Landscape & Nature entry. He also earned a red with his details and macro entry. Other results for our county members were:

Aimee Brown-Enhanced, Red
Caden Chrismon- People, Blue
Colby Blahuta- Animals - Wildlife, Blue; Plant/Flora, Red
Jacy Chrismon- Night, Blue
Lani Pilat - Animals - Domestic, Red; Food - Green; Landscape and Nature - Blue
Laynie Bowman Animals - Domestic, Red; Details and Macro-Red; Dominant Color - Blue; Elements of Design - Blue; Enhanced - Red; Food - Blue; Motion/Action - Green; People -Blue; Plant/Flora - Blue; Shadow/Silhouette - White; Theme - Red
Matthew Berckenhoff Animals - Domestic, Red
Ted Machacek -Theme, Blue

All of the entries may be viewed in a short video clip that is located on the Lavaca County 4-H Facebook page. For more information on the 4-H Photography project contact the Extension Office at 361-798-2221.

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Marie Schumacher

Marie Schumacher, 91, of Yoakum, completed her work on earth, Friday, July 3, 2020.

She was born May 8, 1929 in Sweet Home to Anton and Otelia (Mozisek) Smolik.

She was married to Cecil M. Maresch for 30 years until his death in 1979.

Marie later met and married her traveling partner and beloved, Harvey E. Schumacher and together with a group of friends, traveled all over the U.S. to see all 50 states. They were married for 30 years until his passing in 2012.

She retired from Circle Y after 34 years of service.

She was a Pink Lady at Yoakum Community Hospital for 17 years, was Pink Lady of the Year in 2017 and was recognized for her many hours of service and all the hand embroidered items for the Pink Lady's Gift Shop. She will be missed by many.

Survivors include her daughters, Shirley Schoenfeld (David); JoAnn Meyer (Bobby Berger); Patsy Mikulencak (Leroy Jr.); Mary Ann Henry (Dwight), all of Moulton, and Annette Rath (Erwin) of Cuero; 12 grandchildren, Pamela Tucker (Ryan), Ashley Mikes (Matthew), Michael Raab (Jayme), Tiffany Raab, Robin Harvey (Lance), Diane Picha (Michael), Stacy Wagner (Dusty), Dr. Melanie Cowan (Bobby), April Simper (Bobby), Damon Billimek, Anthony Rath (Shelly) and James Rath (Kassie); 20 great-grandchildren; sisters, Dorothy Nordloh and Betty Boudreaux (Robert Butch); numerous extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; first husband, Cecil M. Maresch and second husband, Harvey E. Schumacher; grandson, David Keith Schoenfeld and great-grandson, Karter Michael Raab; sons-in-law, Curtis A. Billimek and Harry E. Meyer; sister, Lorene McElroy and husband RJ; sister-in-law, Bernice Sommerlatte; brothers-in-law, Sterling Maresch, Earl Nordloh and Wm. Einkauf.

Rosary was recited at 6 p.m., Sunday, July 5 at Thiele Cooper Funeral Home in Yoakum.

Funeral Mass was celebrated at 11 a.m., Monday, July 6 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Yoakum, with Rev. Matthew Huehlefeld officiating.

Burial followed at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Yoakum.

Memorials may be given to St. Joseph Catholic Church or Hospice of South Texas or Pink Ladies Auxiliary.

Pallbearers were her grandchildren.

Honorary pallbearers were the Pink Ladies.

Arrangements were entrusted to Thiele Cooper Funeral Home, Yoakum.



St. Joseph Church News

PRAHA PICNIC CANCELLED

The Praha Picnic, Pražská Pout has been cancelled this year due to the uptick in the Corona Virus. This is to protect the vulnerable in the Praha Community and in the Maticka Praha Family.

We appreciate your participation and support in the past and we look forward to a bigger and safer family reunion celebration next year. To keep up the Home Place until next year's celebration, consider making a donation to St. Mary's Church.

- St Mary's Parish Council - Father Gabriel

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

July 5: Gernadette Geisen

July 6: Elliott Bartos, Cameron Petrek, David Reindl, Easton Rothbauer, Phyllis Schoenfeld

July 7: Bernadette Kresta, Leroy Mikulencak Jr., Bernadette Nieto

July 8: Conner Blahuta, Kathy Fishbeck, Ann Kalisek, Bailey Wagner

July 9: Gloria Jasek

July 10: Marcel Kleihege, Janet Raabe, Dennis Simper

July 11: Laura Pustejko

vsky, Dale Seifert

HAPPY

ANNIVERSARY

July 5: Linda and Joseph Pilat

July 8: Lorrie and Michael Janecek

July 9: Julile and Daniel Beyer; Kathy and Deacon Kenneth Fishbeck; Congratulations Angie and Chad Rothbauer on their 15th Wedding Anniversary

July 10: Tamara and Benjamin Siegel; April and Robert Lee Simper

Remember the sick in your prayers: **Bea and Clarence Bohuslav, Rosalie Koncaba, Gail and Matthew Maskey and Lee Whittenborn.**

Sr. Citizens Center to remain closed until further notice

The Senior Citizens Centers in Hallettsville, Yoakum, and Shiner will remain closed to the public until further notice. Lavaca County residents, age 60 and older, are allowed to pick up a meal in the drive-thru at the Centers from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., but need to call a day in advance to reserve the meal.

Home delivery will continue as usual to all homebound clients.

For more information or to reserve a meal, call the Senior Citizens Center in your city — Hallettsville: 361-798-2211; Yoakum: 361-293-5313; Shiner: 361-594-2671.

Personal shopping and running errands is also available to anyone 60 and older or anyone who has serious health issues or disabilities. To schedule this service, please call 361-798-4198 ext. 2.

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EARLY VOTING for Democratic and Republican Primary Runoff Elections

Election Date: July 14, 2020

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Lavaca County Courthouse Annex, 412 N. Texana, Hallettsville, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., beginning June 29 and ending July 10, 2020. Closed July 3, 2020 in observance to Independence Day.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

- Gwen Holt
- Elections Administrator, Lavaca County
- P.O. Box 727
- Hallettsville, TX 77964

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on July 2, 2020.

Gwen Holt
Elections Administrator
Lavaca County

For more information contact the Election Administrator's office at: (361)798-3594.

Mail ballot requirements:

- 65 years of age or older
- Disability
- Confinement in Jail
- Expected absence from the County

VOTANDO TEMPROANO para Elecciones Primarias Demócrata y Republicana

Día de eleccion: 14 de julio de 2020

La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en Anexo de casa de corte de el Condado de Lavaca, 412 N Texana, Hallettsville, empezando el dia 29 de junio, 2020 hasta el 10 de julio, 2020 entre las horas de las 8:00 de la manana y las 5:00 de la tarde.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran adelantada por correo deberan enviarse a:

- Gwen Holt
- El Administrador de elecciones, Condado de Lavaca
- P.O. Box 727
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Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran adelantada por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el dia 2 de julio, 2020.

Gwen Holt
El Administrador de elecciones
Condado de Lavaca

Para mas informacion llame la oficina de Condado a: (361)798-3594.

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PACKER BULLS: Heavyweight Bulls: 90-98; Utility & Cutter Bulls: 83-91; Light Weight Canner Bulls: 72-83.

STOCKER AND FEEDER CALVES AND YEARLINGS:

NO. 1 STEER & BULLS CALVES: Under 200: 165-210; 200-300: 144-175; 300-400: 140-172.50; 400-500: 136-162.50; 500 - 600: 128-152.50; 600-700: 118-137.50; 700-800: 108-130.

NO. 1 HEIFER CALVES: Under 200: 145-176; 200-300: 130-152.50; 300-400: 128-147.50; 400-500: 126-145; 500-600: 116-139; 600-700: 102-121; 700-800: 95-115.

REPLACEMENT HEIFERS: None.

STOCKER COWS: Good Stocker Cows & Heifers: \$775-\$950; Medium Stocker Cows & Heifers: \$650-\$775; Good Cow & Calf Pairs: \$1200-\$1375; Medium Cow & Calf Pairs: \$925 - \$1175.

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Monday, July 13

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Tuesday, July 14

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Wednesday, July 15

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Thursday, July 16

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Testamen-
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to: MICHELLE OGLE.

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Election at the Elections Administrator's office.

The applications shall be mailed to:

Gwen Holt
Elections Administrator, Lavaca County
P.O. Box 727
Hallettsville, TX 77964.

You may vote early by mail if you are:

- Going to be away from your County on Election Day
and during Early Voting;
- Sick or Disabled;
- 65 years of age or older on Election Day; or
- Confined in jail.

You may obtain a formal application for ballot by mail
from the Lavaca County Elections Administrator's
office. The Applications must be received no later than
the close of business on Thursday, July 2, 2020.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted
each weekday at the Lavaca County Courthouse Annex,
412 N. Texana, Hallettsville, between the hours of 8:00
a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday, beginning June
29, 2020 and ending July 10, 2020.
NOTE: Early Voting is closed July 3rd in observance to
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KLOESEL'S

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Within six months of opening, the Kloesels realized they had outgrown their first location, and as it so happened, Minnie Pundt – owner of the old Pundt Café in Moulton that was closed at the time—wanted to sell.

The Kloesels bought the building in May 1971, using a \$75,000 loan Harvey's sister and brother-in-law, Irene and Clarence Kalischko co-signed for them to cover cost of building and remodeling. They moved into the upstairs living quarters and opened the doors at their present location with 80 seat capacity.

A year later, they added the east wing, adding room for 40 more in their dining room. Three years after that – in 1975, the same year their son, Jason, was born—they bought their second location in Gonzales, a business that boomed with oilfield at that time before they sold it in 1980.

They bought their first home in 1978, which allowed them to refit their restaurant to its present size by adding the upstairs dining room, making a total seating capacity of 220.

Harvey even found time to become active with the Texas Restaurant Association (TRA). He still holds a seat on the state board of directors and later became director emeritus. On June 29, 2009, Harvey was inducted into the TRA Hall of Honor, the highest award in the restaurant industry that just a few restaurateurs in Texas can claim.

Of course, the going has not always been easy.

Take, the first home they bought. It was ruined by a fire just two days

before Christmas in 1981. Or, the oilfield boom that so helped their business in the late 1970s that went flat bust by the time the 1980s rolled around. Or, no doubt, the nerves that surely must get crossed when one works every day with his spouse. "We've been together every day since we have opened" he says. "We do everything together, and we like it that way. We would probably be lost without each other."

Of course, there are days, too, like on Friday, June 26, when they visited with the newspaper for this interview, and got a phone call that visibly troubled them. Texas Gov. Greg Abbott declared that all restaurants in Texas go back to 50 percent capacity. The Kloesels were just saying that at 75 percent business was progressing each day and now they will have to go back to 50 percent.

This is a major setback for their business. The only positive note on this setback is now the governor is allowing for the sale of alcoholic beverages to-go in sealed containers along with food-to-go.

It is a hard pill to swallow, especially for businesses like theirs, one that fairly guarantees there will be no celebrations held to ring in their golden anniversary together in the restaurant business.

Still, Harvey and Diana say they could not imagine doing anything else for all these years. It is what keeps them coming back day after day, year after year. It is why they make regular rounds in their dining rooms to visit the many patrons who have supported them.

It is why Harvey still hand cuts every steak they serve, why they make their own salad dressings and sauces, grind all the meat for hamburgers, and make sure everything is the freshest and finest possible.

"We can't thank everyone enough for their support for all these years," Harvey says. "It is a privilege and honor to provide that service, and it means the world to us."

ORDERS

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each of us to do our part to protect one another – and that means wearing a face covering in public spaces. Likewise large gatherings are a clear contributor to the rise in COVID-19 cases. Restricting the size of groups gathering will strengthen Texas' ability to corral this virus and keep Texans safe. We all have a responsibility to slow the spread of COVID-19 and keep our communities safe. If Texas commits to wearing face coverings in public spaces and follow the best health and safety practices, we can both slow the spread of COVID-19, and keep Texas open for business. I urge all Texans to wear a face covering in public, not just for their own health, but for the health of their families, friends and all our fellow Texans."

The statewide order includes:

Every person in Texas shall wear a face covering over the nose and mouth when inside a commercial entity or other building or space open to the public, or when in an outdoor public space, wherever it is not feasible to maintain six feet of social distancing from another person not in the same household; provided, however, that this face-covering requirement does not apply to:

1. Any person younger than 10 years of age;
2. Any person with

a medical condition or disability that prevents wearing a face covering;

3. Any person while the person is consuming food or drink, or is seated at a restaurant to eat or drink;

4. Any person while the person is (a) exercising outdoors or engaging in physical activity outdoors, and (b) maintaining a safe distance from other people not in the same household;

5. Any person while the person is driving alone or with passengers who are part of the same household as the driver;

6. Any person obtaining a service that requires temporary removal of the face covering for security surveillance, screening, or a need for specific access to the face, such as while visiting a bank or while obtaining a personal-care service involving the face, but only to the extent necessary for the temporary removal;

7. Any person while the person is in a swimming pool, lake, or similar body of water;

8. Any person who is voting, assisting a voter, serving as a poll watcher, or actively administering an election, but wearing a face covering is strongly encouraged;

9. Any person who is actively providing or obtaining access to religious worship, but wearing a face covering is strongly encouraged;

10. Any person while the person is giving a

speech for a broadcast or to an audience;

11. Any person in a county (a) that meets the requisite criteria promulgated by the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) regarding minimal cases, and (b) whose county judge has affirmatively opted-out of this face-covering requirement by filing with TDEM the required attestation face-covering form — provided, however that wearing a face covering is highly recommended, and every county is strongly encouraged to follow these face-covering standards.

For further information, including penalty guidelines, you can view the Executive Order No. 29 by visiting <https://gov.texas.gov/coronavirus>. Scroll down and click on News Releases Related to Coronavirus.

ELECTION

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voted in the main election in order to participate in the subsequent run-off election.

Voters who did not vote in primary election held this past March can vote in either the Republican or Democrat Party run-off. However, if an individual voted in a particular party during the March election that voter can only vote in the same party's run-off election.

If you are an eligible voter, please bring one of the acceptable forms of Photo ID to the polls.

Eligible voters with documented disabilities, religious objections to being photographed, and others, may qualify for exemptions from the voter ID law.

If you are an eligible voter and do not possess an acceptable form of photo ID that is current or expired no more than four years, you can complete a Reasonable Impediment Declaration and vote a regular ballot.

COVID Safety Measures

With concerns to voters turning out to vote due to COVID-19, Holt said they are practicing required safety guidelines in an attempt to reduce contraction to the virus.

Holt said they will continually sanitize at the voting locations as well as practice social distancing.

Explaining the steps a voter will follow to mitigate COVID-19 at the voting location Holt said, "When the voter comes in to vote, they will be required to sanitize. After signing in to vote, they will re-sanitize and we will file whom they signed in with prior to voting. Due to the State Secretary's guidelines and the Governor's executive orders, if they (the voter) do not want to wear a face covering that is their choice, we cannot force them."

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CORRECTION

Last week's reported arrest of an alleged car thief in Moulton inadvertently added a name (Ruiz) to the arresting officers involved in that incident. The only policemen involved in that arrest were Moulton Police Officers Raul Diaz and Daniel Bayer. We regret the error.

Precautions we are taking to ensure YOUR safety.



Screening Procedures

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Face Mask Protection

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—Out-patient surgery patients will be allowed one visitor during discharge.

—From 7am to 5pm, should a limited exception be granted for a visitor, please enter the building through the Outpatient entrance.

—After 5pm, should a limited exception be granted for a visitor, please enter through the ER.

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