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Commissioners approve budget

Tax rate remains 56 cents, but county will bring in additional revenue

Burleson County commissioners approved the final budget of \$10,558,539 for 2020-2021 and a 56-cent tax rate at their meeting on Monday, Sept. 14.

The budget is an increase of \$561,383, 5.6 percent, from last year's budget of \$9,997,156.

While the property tax

rate remains the same as last year, property values have increased for the county overall, and the county will bring in more revenue.

The No New Revenue rate is 49.679 cents. The No New Revenue rate, formerly known as the effective tax rate, is the rate needed to gen-

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Burleson County Judge Keith Schroeder said he was grateful to the office holders for keeping costs in line

and ensuring efficiency with the budget.

"We are also looking to next year. The way we budget this year will have ramifications for next year's budget as

well," Schroeder said.

The 2020-2021 budget includes \$10,930,118 in revenue compared to \$10,122,050 last year, up \$808,068, an 8 percent increase.

The county is budgeting a surplus of \$371,579, up \$246,685, a 219.2 percent increase, from last year's

surplus of \$124,894.

They are projecting an ending fund balance of \$5,539,106, up \$1,749,786, a 46.2 percent increase from last year's \$3,789,320.

The road and bridge general fund is up \$2,758 from \$4,369,359 last year to \$4,372,117

See BUDGET, page 4A

County football not affected by COVID-19...yet

Though COVID-19 previously shut down Lady Yegua volleyball practice this past summer and just recently forced the Lady Jays to cancel two weeks of games, area football teams have not been directly affected by COVID-19...yet.

With the fluidity of ever-changing guidelines and protocols and the threat of a hurricane, there have been changes in local football schedules, but the three county football teams

"I am so happy to be back to playing football, and just pray that we are able to continue" - Cal Neatherlin, Somerville Athletic Director

seem to have been doing as good of a job as possible to keep their teams on the gridiron.

Just this past summer, Caldwell, Snook and Somerville coaches were just hopeful that the fall football season

See COVID, page 2A



THIS SPJST FLOAT was part of the September 2019 Burleson County Fair Parade in downtown Caldwell. This year's parade is set for this Saturday, Sept. 19, to launch this year's Burleson County Fair.

Parade begins fair this weekend

Even COVID-19 could not cancel this year's Burleson County Fair.

However, the Sept. 21-26 fair will look different this year than in the past, with many events not being held.

But, the annual fair parade will still kick off the fair this Saturday as it has for many years.

The parade will begin at 10 a.m. in downtown Caldwell, featuring the fair's "Country Nights

See PARADE, page 8A

Czech culture celebrated on Caldwell's 2nd Saturday

Area residents enjoy the downtown area with kolaches, car show, pop-up shops



AIMEE MARKERT SERVES these kolaches to Beth Campbell of Dime Box during the second Saturday celebration in downtown Caldwell.



VISITORS ENJOY these displays at vending booths during the second Saturday.

It wasn't the Kolache Festival, but it was still a good time.

Downtown Caldwell's Second Saturday celebration on Sept. 12 featured a Czech heritage theme and was appreciated by local residents who were disappointed not to have a Kolache Festival this year.

The festival would normally be held on the second Saturday of September but was recently canceled due to COVID-19 concerns.

The decision to cancel was made by the Kolache Festival Committee and the Burleson County Chamber

See CZECH, page 8A

-- REMEMBERING 9-11 TRAGEDY --



THE CALDWELL HIGH SCHOOL Band performs at halftime last Friday during their Sept. 11 remembrance performance.



THIS FIREWORKS display was featured in the CHS Band's Sept. 11 remembrance half-time show. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders

Somerville OKs budget, tax rate

The Somerville City Council approved a 66.198 cent tax rate and a \$2,599,200 budget at its Tuesday, Sept. 8, meeting at City Hall.

That includes \$1,132,487 for the general fund.

The council approved the tax rate on a 3-1 vote with council members Skipper Murray, Debra Coleman and Jeff Schoppe voting yes, and Delfino Orozco vot-

ing no.

For the budget, the vote was the same three voting yes with Orozco abstaining.

For the tax rate, the council is proposing approval of the No New Revenue (NNR) rate (formerly known as the effective tax rate) of 66.198 cents. The NNR is the rate needed to generate the same amount of revenue as

See TAX, page 4A

POSGCD board eyes water discharge

The Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District's board met in closed session at their Tuesday, Sept. 8, meeting to continue discussions about possible enforcement actions against Vista

Ridge, a permit holder for a major project involving water export to San Antonio.

The board is questioning the San Antonio Water System's recent flushing of 10 million gallons of water exported daily from Burleson County into a northside San Antonio Creek.

See WATER, page 2A



CHS HOMECOMING King Larry Davis and Queen Priscilla Olivarez were crowned on Friday at the Caldwell-Lago Vista game.

County lifts ban on outdoor burning

Burleson County has lifted its outdoor burning ban, thanks to some recent rainfall.

County Judge Keith Schroeder lifted the ban on Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 9. The ban went into effect on Aug. 13, and Schroeder lifted it when dry conditions improved.

The ban was set for 90

days or until conditions improved.

Burleson County Emergency Management Coordinator Duane Strange said the decision was made after considering the amount of rain received and the amount the county was forecasted to receive.

As of Monday, Sept. See BAN, page 5A



MIT funds could address drainage in Snook area

County judge has proposed plan to consider

Burleson County Judge Keith Schroeder said on Monday, Sept. 14, that part of the county's Hurricane Harvey MIT grant funding application could address some needed drainage issues in the Snook area.

Schroeder, speaking in his county judge's report, said he is working on a plan that could improve drainage issues for the Snook area and the Brazos Bottom, and the grant funding could be used to address those issues.

Schroeder said after the meeting that more details would be forthcoming later.

The county plans to apply for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)-MIT grant ranging from \$3 million to \$10 million that will help with current and future drainage problems.

The grant program is administered by the Texas General Land Office.

Schroeder said the grant also requires only a 1 percent match, which would be only \$30,000 for \$3 million in grant funding, so the opportunity is excellent for the county.

"It is almost free money. We are doing everything we can to pursue that," Schroeder said.

On another grant-related issue, Schroeder also addressed how the county could utilize its CARES grant funding, related to COVID-19 relief issues, which is available through the end of the year.

Schroeder said after the meeting that an assessment is needed for the whole county as part of an ongoing effort through the Brazos Valley Council of Governments (BVCOG) to extend fiber access for broadband Internet access in the region. As just one example, Snook could use some help, he said.

Broadband Internet access is vital at this time, he said.

"You have kids learning at home and a lot of people working remotely. We can try to expand that and make that available to as many people as possible," Schroeder said.

In other business at

the meeting, the commissioners approved issuing a request for qualifications for engineering services for the county's 2020 Texas County Transportation Infrastructure Fund (TIF) administered by the Texas Department of Transportation.

Schroeder said the county is required to seek an engineer if it will contract any portion of its work, and they are considering a contractor for some seal coat work, he said.

In August, the commissioners approved its road project list for the TIF fund. The county will receive about \$2 million in TIF funding for the projects after the project list is approved by the state.

The state money compensates counties for road damage caused by oilfield traffic.

The commissioners also:

- * Approved allowing the Health Resource Center (HRC) to seek grant applications with the United Way of the Brazos Valley for CARES grant and Phase 37 grant funding, totaling \$14,000.

Schroeder also said in his judge's report that HRC Executive Director Albert Ramirez is looking at COVID-related grant funding for a Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor.

"I think that is something that is badly needed in the county, and I am glad that Albert is trying to put that together," Schroeder said.

- * Approved ratifying the Elections Department's grant application for the Center for Tech and Civil Life (CTCL) grant program.

County Auditor Jimmy Mynar said these are COVID response grants for election departments around the state with minimum applications of \$5,000 per entity.

- * Approved the deputa-tion of Cari Coker as a deputy sheriff and Ariel Rodriguez as deputy tax assessor.

- * Approved paying compensatory time for the sheriff's office and jail staff. That amount totaled approximately \$60,000, Mynar said.

- * Approved the District Court Orders for Fiscal

Year 2021 for the county auditor's salary and budget and the court reporters salaries.

The total budget is \$305,020, including total wages and salaries of \$239,257.

- * Approved a computer system lease-license agreement with Pritchard & Abbott for the tax office. The agreement is \$36,910 annually for two years, Mynar said.

- * Approved allowing Pct. 3 crews to cut trees on a property line and dispose of an owner's property at 7010 County Road 318 and 7300 County Road 318.

- * Approved an amend-ed subdivision excep-tion request form and plat for Tigerstripe Inc., on property located on State Highway 36 South.

- * Was briefed by Sheriff Gene Hermes in his report.

Two jailers were recently promoted to patrol, and there are 46 inmates in jail.

Last week, the department hosted a mental health peace officer course that was attended by law enforcement agencies in the area, he said.

- * Was briefed by Emergency Management Coordinator Duane Strange.

Strange said the state has changed the way it has reported COVID-19 cases to the county. Hospitals in the Brazos Valley region currently have an adequate amount of beds and staffing, Strange said.

In addition, there was a recent training involving three area fire departments at the Caldwell Civic Center on hazmat awareness and how to use the hazmat material guidebook, he said.

- * Was briefed by Mynar on his report.

The county has received \$25,333 in unclaimed capital credits. Unclaimed capital credits are reported by electrical cooperatives. Funds can only be used to support economic development activities, Mynar said after the meeting.

Mynar also said the appraisal district will reduce the amount the county owes them for a quarterly payment by \$48,148. The appraisal district's surplus will cover that, he said.

Voter registration deadlines approach

County also announces schedule for early voting

Burleson County Elections Administrator Dorothy Oliver reminds voters that the last day to register to vote for the Nov. 3 election is on Oct. 5.

The last day to request a ballot by mail is Oct. 23.

However, Oliver said she does not recommend waiting until Oct. 23 to request the mail ballot.

"This is the busiest election Burleson County has ever had and to process, mail, vote and return in time to be counted takes some time, so don't wait until the last day," Oliver said.

Oliver said Burleson

NELDA SUE SHAW

Funeral services for Nel-da Sue (Dark) Shaw, 89, of Corpus Christi, formerly of Cleveland, Texas, were held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 12, 2020, at Strickland Funeral Home in Caldwell.

Burial was held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2020, at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Shaw died on Monday, Sept. 7, 2020, in Caldwell.

Sue was born on Nov. 4, 1930, in Winnfield, La., to Talmadge DeWitt Dark and Allabelle (Luzader) Dark.

Sue was the owner-operator of a drive-in burger place, Jim's Broil Burger, in Cleveland, Texas, for 10 to 12 years.

She was school secretary

DOREEN BROWN

Visitation for Doreen Elizabeth (Balke) Brown, 88, of Somerville, will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2020, with the family at Strickland Funeral Home in Somerville.

Please be aware that we will continue to practice social distancing during this time. If you are high-risk, please consider staying home. Masks are required.

Mrs. Brown died Sunday, Sept. 13, 2020, in Caldwell.

Doreen was born on March 24, 1932, to Christian Balke and Inez (Sears) Balke in Somerville.

She married Luther Brown Jr. on May 6, 1952, in Caldwell.

Doreen was the wife of a U.S. Army soldier, and the family traveled all over the



ESTER RODRIGUEZ

A Mass of Christian Burial for Ester Revilla Rodriguez, 69, of Caldwell, was held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 12, 2020, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Caldwell, Texas.

Burial followed at St. Mary's Catholic Church cemetery.

Visitation was held from 5-8 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 11, 2020, with a rosary at 7 p.m.

Mrs. Rodriguez died on Monday, Sept. 7, 2020, in Austin.

Ester was born on June 2, 1951, to Fernando Revilla

for many years, the church secretary for First Baptist Church in Cleveland, and was known for big Thanksgiving meals for her family.

She loved to shop for shoes.

Sue was "Nanny" to all the grandkids and was a very loving, caring Christian woman, family members said.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, James Shaw; her son-in-law, John Ballard; and her sister, Beverly Solley.

Sue is survived by her sons, Dale Shaw and wife, Elaine, of Caldwell, Marc Shaw and wife, Kellan, of Tarkington Prairie, and Bruce Shaw and wife, Marilyn, of Anahuac; her daughter, Jennifer Ballard of Corpus Christi; her grandchildren, Scott Shaw and wife, Brandy,

world.

Once she got back to Burleson County, she said she was home on this side of Davidson Creek.

Doreen loved to hunt, and she taught the whole family how to fish.

She was a great cook and was known all over Somerville as Grannie to everyone.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Luther; and her brother, Billy Balke.

Doreen is survived by her son, Robert E. Brown of Brenham; her daughters, Mary A. Eben of Somerville, Susan Gail Brown of Somerville, and Carol Yvonne Gurthrie and husband, Ricky, of Buena Vista, Colo.; her sister, Gwen Schoppe of Somerville; her sister-in-law, Joyce Balke of Hitchcock; her grandchildren, Crys-

Amanda McAnulty and husband, Bobby, Jayme Bonds and husband, Jason, Spencer Shaw, Kristie Young and husband, Rodney, Kellen Brittain and husband, Ryan, Derek Howell and wife, Danielle, and Lauren Vannatta and husband, Kyle; her great-grandchildren, Ryan Shaw, Austyn McAnulty, Lennon McAnulty, Blayke Bonds, Bree Bonds, Haden Young, Bryce Young, Daxton Vannatta, Ethan Howell, and Lanah Howell; and numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives.

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tal and David Alvarado, Amber and Mitch Dreyer, Dustin Robert Brown, Brandon Wayne Brown and Casey Zehnder, Danielle Nicole Brown, and Brittany Doreen Brown; and her great-grandchildren, Carter Alvarado, Jordyn Branham, Jodi Makel Zehnder, Megan Elizabeth Brown, Brandon Wayne Brown Jr., Liam Alexander Brown, McKinley Brown, Jaycee Jada-Nicole Fisher, Brendon Fisher, Ke'shun D'Marcus Harris, and Kamryn Nicole Harris.

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and Freddy Revilla and wife, Amanda, of Dover, Del.; her stepdaughters, Julie Rosas, and Alicia Marie Rodriguez, both of Giddings; her brothers, Gilbert Revilla and wife, Mary, of Caldwell, and Joe Revilla of Caldwell; her sisters, Lucia Orozco of Somerville, Trina Hernandez of Homestead, Fla., Anita Saucedo of El Paso, and Christina Sanchez and husband, Rito, of Caldwell; her grandchildren, Mariah Aguilar, Elissa Aguilar, Jacyd Aguilar, Gavin Aguilar, Joey Puente, Jude Revilla, Verity Revilla, Persia Rodriguez, Martin Rosas, Catalina Rosas, and Rebecca and Michael Lopez; and her great-grandchild, Kinsey Narro.

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Hearne man charged in theft

A 64-year-old Hearne man was booked into Burleson County custody on Monday, Sept. 7, on a felony theft charge. J. Guadalupe Gomez was charged with felony theft of property between \$30,000 and \$150,000, and was released from Burleson County custody on \$25,000 bond, according to the Burleson County Sheriff's Office.

Sgt. Jody Tillery responded to the theft of a trailer on Tuesday, Aug. 2, on F.M. 166 in Caldwell, according to a probable cause statement.

The owner reported their 2010 white utility trailer was taken from their property sometime on Aug. 1, the statement said.

The owner described decals on the trailer and said the trailer had a GPS unit that was currently showing the trailer at an address on Old Hearne Road in Roberstson County, the statement said.

Tillery and Sgt. Investigator Christine

Labertew assisted Rob-
erston County sher-
iff's deputies with the
search warrant at 12:30
p.m. that day, the state-
ment said.

The trailer was locat-
ed on the property with
the license plate and
decals removed and on
the ground next to the
trailer, the statement
said.

During the search
several other pieces of
stolen property were
located on the property
including other trailers
and a John Deere trac-
tor, the statement said.

The contents of the
white utility trailer stol-
en from Caldwell were
valued at \$87,680 and
the trailer was valued
at \$4,100, for a total of
\$91,780, the statement
said.

The man was placed
under arrest by Rob-
erston County sheriff's
deputies on the scene on
a theft charge in their
county, and booked into
Burleson County Cust-
ody on Monday, Sept. 7,
for the Caldwell theft,
according to sheriff's
reports.

Burglary attempt investigated

Burleson County Sher-
iff's deputies are inves-
tigating the attempted
burglary of a home on
County Road 122 on
Wednesday, Sept. 9.

Deputy Jose Garza
responded to the call at
4:39 a.m., according to
Sheriff's Chief Deputy
John Pollock.

The resident was
in the home when he

heard a window break-
ing in another room,
Pollock said.

He yelled out and saw
a person's shadow be-
fore hearing a vehicle
leave outside the home,
Pollock said.

Nothing was taken,
and there is no value for
the broken window at
this time, Pollock said.

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1. ANTONIO JUNIOR MUNOZ, W/M, DOB 09/13/93, BOND FORFEITURE (POSS. CS PG 1<1).

2. RUBEN RUBIO HERNANDEZ, W/M, DOB 11/20/74, VIOLATION OF PROBATION (INTOXICATION MANSLAUGHTER).

3. MARSHA DIONE JONES, W/F, DOB 10/09/71, MOTION TO REVOKE (BURGLARY OF A HABITATION).

4. BRUCE MCCLINTOCK, B/M, DOB 02/14/58, MOTION TO REVOKE (CRIMINAL MISCHIEF).

5. ERIC LEE DAWSON, W/M, DOB 12/29/95, VIOLATION OF PROBATION (EVADING ARREST) COMMIT CREDIT CARD OR DEBIT CARD ABUSE.

6. HECTOR AREGULLIN-CASTILLO, W/M, DOB 01/14/57, VIOLATION OF PROBATION (DWI WITH CHILD UNDER 14 YEARS OF AGE).

7. DAJON BALL, B/M, DOB 11/27/95, MOTION TO REVOKE (POSS. CS PG < 1G).

8. MONICA CHRISTINA HOLICK, W/F, DOB 04/24/71, VIOLATION OF PROBATION (INDECENCY WITH A CHILD).

9. GUILLERMO MUNOZ, W/M, DOB 11/10/93, PUBLISH/ THREAT TO PUNISH INTIMATE VISUAL MATR.

10. HEAVEN ZHANE WILLIAMS, B/F, DOB 08/01/95, VIOLATION OF PROBATION (BURGLARY OF HABITATION).

THOSE LISTED ABOVE ARE WANTED AS OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2020.

BAN

FROM PAGE ONE

14, the Keech-Byrum Drought Index, a resource used to measure drought conditions and possible fire hazards, was in the 300-400 range, with some areas in the zero to 200 range, Strange said.

At the time of the ban, the index was in the 600-700 range -- with some areas in the 700-800 range, particularly in the Caldwell area and in west Burleson County near the Lee County line, Strange said previously.

The ban was set to help ease the burden on the county's volunteer firefighters, who are forced to respond to controlled burns that get out of control and spread quickly in dry pasture grass or to wooded areas.

Several area fire chiefs said in September that they supported the ban.

Strange said residents may now burn household generated garbage and brush piles.

They may not burn items such as construction debris and tires.

For more information regarding the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) outdoor burning regulations, residents may call the TCEQ regional office at (888) 777-3186.

Strange said residents who plan to burn should contact the Burleson County Sheriff's Office at 567-4343, extension 0 and leave their contact information and location of the burn.

"Doing this prevents unnecessary responses to the burn and give us a better location and helps with quicker response should your burn become uncontrolled," Strange said.

And residents who decide to burn should ensure that all precautions are in place to prevent the controlled burn from becoming uncontrolled, he said. In addition, never leave a controlled burn unattended, he said.

Sheriff Gene Hermes's Report

Monday, Sept. 7
Deputy Blevins assisted another agency with a disturbance on Main Street. Deputy Strouth responded to criminal trespass on County Road 467, information was taken. Deputy Strouth responded to suspicious activity on Clay Circle, a criminal trespass warning was given. Deputy Strouth and Elswood responded to criminal mischief on State Highway 21 W., an incident report was taken. Deputy Garza responded to a disturbance on Laurel Lane, parties were separated. Deputy Garza responded to a noise complaint on F.M. 2039, a warning was given.

Tuesday, Sept. 8
Deputy Strouth responded to a disturbance on Sue Lane, an incident report was taken. Deputy Strouth took a complaint in the lobby. Investigator Creamer responded to livestock on Park Road 57, nothing was located. Trooper Nance responded to an abandoned vehicle on F.M. 50. Deputy Garza responded to livestock on F.M. 908, nothing was located.

Wednesday, Sept. 9
Deputy Garza responded to a disturbance on State Highway 21 W., parties were separated. Deputy Garza responded to an alarm on County Road 410, the building was secure. Deputy Garza responded to a burglary on County Road 122,

information was taken. Deputy Loeblein responded to a traffic hazard on Oaks Drive, the roadway was cleared. Deputy Cheatham responded to a suspicious vehicle on F.M. 1361, information was taken. Trooper Nance and Deputy Cheatham responded to a minor accident on State Highway 36 S., the roadway was cleared.

Thursday, Sept. 10
Deputy Loeblein responded to a disturbance on County Road 122, advice was given. Deputy Loeblein responded to an animal cruelty call on Wilderness Road, advice was given. Deputy Cheatham responded to livestock on F.M. 60 E., nothing was located. Deputy Cheatham assisted another agency with a disturbance on Booker T Street.

Friday, Sept. 11
Deputy Cheatham responded to an alarm on State Highway 36 S., nothing was located. Deputy Cheatham responded to livestock on State Highway 36 S., the roadway was cleared. Deputy Strouth responded to livestock on F.M. 1362 N., the roadway was cleared. Deputy Garza responded to a suspicious person on F.M. 1361, nothing was located.

Saturday, Sept. 12
Deputy Strouth re-

sponded to criminal trespass on Big Berry Road, a criminal trespass warning was given. Deputy Strouth took information on a complaint in the lobby. Deputy Strouth responded to livestock on Lakeview Drive, the roadway was cleared. Deputy Elswood responded to livestock on F.M. 2774, the roadway was cleared.

Sunday, Sept. 13
Deputies Elswood and Garza responded to a disturbance on State Highway 36 N., an offense report was taken. Deputy Garza responded to a noise complaint on F.M. 166, nothing was located. Deputy Strouth responded to criminal mischief on Cedar Cliff Circle, information was taken. Deputy Strouth responded to disturbance on F.M. 166, parties were separated. Deputy Strouth responded to a disturbance on State Highway 36 S., an incident report was taken. Deputy Elswood responded to an animal bite on Raiders Road, information was taken.

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Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate

Beaver Creek Water Control & Improvement District No. 1 (the "District") will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2020 on Thursday, September 24, 2020, at 7:15 p.m., at the Gospel Fellowship Church, 757 Beaver Creek Drive, Caldwell, Burleson County, Texas. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the tax rate that is adopted and on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.

FOR the proposal: Greg Dever, Sabrina Jackson, Jennifer Canterberry & Larry Wilson
AGAINST the proposal: None
PRESENT and not voting: None
ABSENT: Mahalia Nix

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

	Last Year	This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.3300/\$100 Adopted	\$0.3200/\$100 Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		-\$0.01/\$100
Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)		-3.03%
Average appraised residential homestead value	\$77,866	\$84,190
General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	\$8,902	\$9,121
Average residential homestead taxable value	\$68,964	\$75,069
Tax on average residence homestead	\$227.58	\$240.22
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if		
proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-)		\$12.64
and percentage of increase (+/-)		+5.55%

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

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

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

THE BIBLE
Solid Ground

Jeremiah is a good example of how to react to life's problems

The prophet Jeremiah is a good example of someone who wrote what he lived and lived what he wrote. He didn't just proph-

esy, he actually lived in the midst of his predictions. While some people in the Bible were called to serve the

Lord as children (1 Samuel 3), Jeremiah was commissioned as a "prophet to the nations" even before he was conceived (1:5).

During his 40-year ministry, we learn more about his personal life than any other prophet. Like Moses, Jeremiah was timid as a young man, and reluctant to accept the call to be a spokesman of God. It turns out that his book of the Bible contains more words than any other bibli-

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apparently died. "The word of the Lord came to Jeremiah a second time, while he was still shut up in the court of the prison saying . . . 'Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know'" (Jeremiah 33:1, 3). For all Christians, this prophet is a good

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It was Miriam who brought her own mother to Pharaoh's daughter and introduced them.
Pharaoh's daughter paid Moses' mother to care for him until he was old enough to be weaned and go and live in Pharaoh's palace.
Exodus 15 records a song that Miriam sang and led the women to sing.
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example of how to live through difficult times. He teaches us how to pray and how to carry on, and where our help comes from. Right now in some ways we are living in disruptive times, not knowing what's going on and exactly how we should react to it. Jeremiah's troubled

life covered some of the hardest periods in Hebrew history -- the decades leading up to the fall of Jerusalem and the Babylonian exile. But Jeremiah never wavered in his faith, no matter how bad things got for him or for Israel. He kept on praying and preaching, suffering, writing and

believing. He experienced doubts and ridicule -- things we often experience in our own lives. Everything Jeremiah believed in was smashed by what was happening all around him. The question is, when we face catastrophes, do we try to re-form our lives to conform to who God

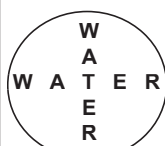
really is, or does our faith weaken to the point where we abandon God? We have Jeremiah as a wonderful example of someone who lived through catastrophic events and survived with grace. And we can look to him for how to react to bad times. Jeremiah's salvation didn't start with him.

It started long before he was born. And it's no different today. God knew us before we were conceived, just as he knew Jeremiah. God is in control of every one of our lives. All we can do is respond to where God is leading us. We never speak the first word and we never take the first

action. It's God who does this. As believers, our duty is to respond to whatever plans God has in mind for us. We can step out in faith or can go our own way. The choice is ours. God wants us to make the right choice and do His will. -- Buddy Preuss

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of Commerce and announced on Tuesday, June 30.

Kolache Festival Chair Janice Easter and Susan Mott with the Chamber of Commerce collaborated to put the event together. The weekend event was not meant to replace the Kolache festival, but was planned as a special, themed Second Saturday, Easter said.

Easter said the event included several cars on display for the car show, new food trucks, several pop-up shops inside empty buildings and existing office buildings and products available from the farmer's market vendors.

"I saw a very nice crowd for the day and every business that I went into had a great crowd... I would personally like to see the same thing every second Saturday of the month," she said.

Mott said that with the cancellation of the

big festival, they still wanted to find a way to give people kolaches, bring in a few vendors and still have a car show.

"Each Second Saturday of the month the downtown businesses focus on encouraging people to shop local."

"So with the cancellation of the Kolache Festival due to the COVID-19 pandemic, I knew we needed to make an effort to promote the day and encourage the public to get out and support our local retailers and vendors," Mott said.

She said after speaking with vendors and business owners she knew it was a very successful day.

"I have only gotten great feedback, and I hope we can continue promoting our Second Saturdays," Mott said.

Melissa Brune, owner of Lissa's Restyled Sip & Shop said the event was a fun way to honor the Kolache Festival and promote downtown business.

"It was such a success for us, especially dur-



THE CAR SHOW was a popular attraction on Saturday.

ing such a crazy time. It was a good mix of second Saturday and Kolache Festival. I'd love to have it each month," Brune said.

Brune took full advantage of the Czech theme by making fresh, traditional treats throughout the day.

"I loved the Czech theme. We had fresh baked kolaches all day and Runza, a meat pocket sandwich, and lots of people were excited about. We had customers from in and out of town, which was great to see," she said.

Owner of Mimosa Mercantile, Nancy Stewart, said the event

was a welcome change of pace.

"It was great. We saw a lot of people, many from out of town. Everyone was having a good time seeing each other. They were just happy to be doing something normal again," Stewart said.

The Kolache Festival will still be missed this year, but Czech Weekend was a success, she said.

"The Kolache Festival is such a huge day for downtown businesses and when it was canceled it was devastating. Czech weekend didn't replace the festival, but it was a great



THE EVENT DREW many vendors like these to downtown Caldwell.

event that made a lot of people happy and we're so grateful to the Chamber of Commerce and Janice Easter for putting it together," she said.

Owner of All Purpose Flower, Nancy Albright, was also happy

to see people enjoying Caldwell's downtown again.

"It was nice to see everyone out and about downtown here in Caldwell. For us it was a great Saturday of business and a huge success," she said.

PARADE

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& Carnival Lights" theme.

Those participating in the parade must be in place by 9 a.m. Late arrivals will not be allowed to participate.

The fair itself will run from Monday, Sept. 21, through Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Burleson County Fairgrounds at 905 State Highway 36 South.

Due to COVID-19, this year's fair will not have a carnival, a gospel concert, any creative living exhibits or any musical entertainment. And, this year's pet show will be virtual.

Also, all shows and events will be livestreamed on the Burleson County Fair Association's Facebook page, except for the auctions, which will be broadcasted on the "Cattle in Motion" website. (See related stories in the special Burleson County Fair section.)

After the parade, the first event at the fairgrounds will be the Little Miss Contest on Sunday, Sept. 20, at 6 p.m. with the Queen's Contest later in the evening.

Twenty-one four-year-olds will be vying for the title of 2020 Burleson County Fair Little Miss and five high school students will be competing for the fair queen title.

The public is invited to attend the event. However, the wearing of masks and social distancing is highly encouraged.

This event will also be livestreamed on the Burleson County Fair Association's Facebook page and DVDs can be ordered of the event.

The Baked Foods Auction will take place between the Little Miss and Queen's contests.

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tion will be both live and online.

Youth projects will begin arriving at the fairgrounds on Monday, and fair association officials are asking that attendance at the fair's shows be limited mainly to exhibitors and their immediate families.

However, fair association officials said the public is invited to attend all the auctions, but are encouraging masks and social distancing at these events.

The current fair schedule includes:

*Monday, Sept. 21:

10 a.m. , Ag Mechanics in place.

1 p.m., Ag Mechanics show.

3-7 p.m., rabbit weigh and sift.

* Tuesday, Sept. 22:

7 a.m., rabbit judging.

7-10 a.m., swine weigh and sift.

5:30-7 p.m., goat weigh and sift.

7-7:30 p.m., lamb weigh and sift.

* Wednesday, Sept. 23:

7 a.m., swine judging.

7-10 a.m., breeding heifer and steer check in.

10:30 a.m., lamb judging.

11 a.m., steer weigh and sift.

noon, goat judging.

* Thursday, Sept. 24:

7-10 a.m., commercial heifer check in.

1 p.m., breeding heifer show. Steer Judging to follow.

2 p.m., commercial heifer judging.

* Friday, Sept. 25:

6:30 a.m., broiler/turkey sifting and judging.

5:30 p.m., commercial heifer awards.

6 p.m., commercial heifer sale.

* Saturday, Sept. 26:

8-11 a.m., commercial heifers leave.

4:15 p.m., youth livestock awards.

5 p.m., youth livestock auction.

8 p.m., supplemental sale.

For more information, see this week's special Burleson County Fair section in *The Tribune* or call the BCFA office at (979) 567-3938.

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CHS tennis opens district with win over Smithville

Cravens, Torres have perfect 6-0, 6-0 girls doubles match

The Caldwell Hornet tennis team opened District 20-4A on Saturday against Smithville, easily defeating the Tigers 14-5.

The match was played at La Grange High School.

In team tennis, a total of 19 matches are played and scored: the top six ranked boys and girls play singles and the top three ranked boys and girls doubles team play doubles. Then, finishing out the 19th match is a mixed doubles team. The team that wins the most matches is the winner of the contest.

In Caldwell's win, Neva Cravens and Aletza Torres scored a perfect 6-0, 6-0 in their girls doubles match over their Smithville opponents.

Also posting a girls doubles win was the duo of Madeline Horan and McKenzie Horan, winning 6-1, 7-5.

In boys doubles: * Adolfo Gaucin and Nico Lucero beat

Cameron Pounds and Clayton Bolt 6-2, 6-3.

* Isaac Salazar and Waylon Chapman defeated Cody Kennon and Melvin Evans 6-3, 6-0.

* Connor Hughson and Alejandro Zapata beat their Smithville opponents 6-3, 6-1.

In mixed doubles, the team of Keith Ramon and Tilly Hicks beat Achilles Brian and Briana Trahan 6-7(5-7), 6-4, 10-6.

In girls singles:

* Cravens defeated Annie Schuck 6-2, 6-0.

* McKenzie Horan beat Monica Lewis 6-3, 6-0.

In boys singles:

* Gaucin beat Pounds 6-3, 6-3.

* Salazar defeated Bolt 6-3, 4-6, 10-4.

* Lucero beat Kennon 6-3, 6-0.

* Chapman defeated Cameron Dawson 6-4, 7-6(7-2).

* Hughson beat Carter Pettit 6-2, 6-2.

* Zapata defeated Ryan Davis 6-3, 6-0.

In extra practice matches which didn't See TENNIS, page 5B



NEVA CRAVENS and her girls doubles partner Aletza Torres won their District 20-4A match against a Smithville duo with a perfect 6-0, 6-0. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

Lady Hornet XC wins Thrall Meet

The Caldwell varsity girls won the team title at the Thrall Cross Country Invitational Number 2 on Saturday, Sept. 12.

The team finished with a score of 44.

Burnet was second with a score of 62 and Austin Champions Homeschool was third with 76.

Caldwell cross country coach Laton Giese was happy with the team's performance and with the younger runners who made great times this week.

He said, "Overall we ran much better this week. We ran like a team during the race and encouraged each other."

"We had a bunch of freshman step up for both teams, running some personal records."

"We still have a ways to go, but we are improving everyday."

"It was exciting to see the girls win and bounce back from Bellville," Giese said.

Morgan Becka was Caldwell's top runner in sixth place with a time of 13:40.52.

Micah Ketterling of Cornerstone Chris-

tian placed first with 12:40.26. Aiyanna Thompson of Taylor was second with 13:10.16, and Sierra Sherman was third with 13:15.07.

Other Caldwell varsity girls runners were: Daisha Denson, 12th, 14:20.69; Tess Homeyer, 14th, 14:37.46; Ryan Ferguson, 17th, 14:55.13; Kelly Urbanovsky, 20th, 15:02.48; Caitlyn Faust, 26th, 15:16.05; Cadie Coston, 41st, 15:57.75.

The Caldwell boys placed sixth as a team in the varsity division with a score of 136.

Austin Champion Homeschool won the race with a score of 35, Giddings was second with 79, and Burnet was third with 102.

Nolan Mott was the top runner for the boys in 23rd place with a time of 20:23.41.

Hudson Bennet of Burnet won first with 17:06.18 and Neal Helgeson and Elijah Keating of Austin Champions Homeschool were second and third with times of 17:33.78 and 17:59.15.

Other Caldwell var-

See XC, page 5B

Yeguas battle Leon tough, fall 30-29

Jeremiah Teague rushes for 205 yards

The Somerville Yeguas got very close, just missing a two-point try in the final five minutes and fumbling away at the one-yard line in the final seconds, but fell to Leon 30-29 last Friday in Leon.

The Yeguas, showing some offensive firepower after a tough opening loss to Anderson, rushed for over 300 yards and broke up some plays on defense.

Trailing 30-23, Somerville drove for the tying score on a one-yard quarterback keeper by Lorenzo

Vega with under five minutes remaining, but the Yeguas were stopped on a two-point play.

It was a 10-play, 60-yard drive with the Yeguas looking determined and businesslike as they had the whole game.

Even with the two-point miss, Somerville had one last chance.

The Yeguas' defensive line put up a strong rush, and Legg broke up a pass, setting up the final drive. A long completion from Vega to wide receiver Verkoby Woodberry put the ball on the

Cougars' one-yard line. But Leon recovered the fumbled snap on the next play with 25 seconds remaining and was grateful to run out the clock.

It was a tough ending to an otherwise sensational offensive night, including some big individual performances.

Senior Jeremiah Teague rushed for 205 yards and two TDs, and Vega carried for 99 yards and scored twice.

Woodberry finished with four catches for 68 yards and returned a kick for 55 yards.

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CALDWELL AND LAGO Vista players go for this fumbled ball on Friday, Sept. 11, in Caldwell. The Hornets fell to 2-1 overall with a 20-0 homecoming loss. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders. SEE STORY INSIDE.

Late Snook rally falls just short in Thrall loss

Bluejays score two late TDs, fall 26-20



SNOOK'S DESHUN Hamilton and a Thrall defender leap for the ball during Friday night's game. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

It was a slow start for Snook last Friday at Thrall, trailing 13-0 early in the second quarter and 26-8 at halftime, but the Bluejays' passing game cranked up in the fourth quarter with two long TD passes to cut the margin to 26-20.

Snook fell to 0-3 for the season after a rugged non-district schedule but again looked at times like a big winner.

The Bluejays Jose Garcia hit two long bombs to Deshun Hamilton for 43 and 84 yards in the final quarter to make it close.

Both of Snook's tries for two points failed.

Snook had opened its scoring in the second quarter on a 59-yard Cameron Conerway run with Garrett Lero passing to Justin Supak for two points -- cutting the Tigers' lead to 13-8.

And Snook again had a respectable offensive showing with 343 total yards -- 221 passing and 122 rushing -- despite throwing two interceptions.

The Bluejays struggled with third-down efficiency, going just 2-10, compared to 2-5 in fourth-down efficiency.

Thrall was a bit more balanced with 181 passing yards and 177 rushing yards, played steady and consistent while building a good lead and then holding on.

Snook Head Coach Boone Patterson said the Bluejays started slow but "made great adjustments to scheme and execution in the second half."

After opening with Caldwell, Thorn-dale and Thrall, the Bluejays have clearly been tested in the first three weeks.

But Patterson is hoping that his team is putting it together at just the right time.

"We have played a tough non-district schedule but showed our toughness and resolve," Patterson said. "I feel like we are improving daily."

Patterson commended Hamilton See SNOOK, page 3B

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YEGUA FOOTBALL

Against Leon on Friday, Somerville's Teague ran for 205 yards and scored two touchdowns.



LADY HORNET VARSITY

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

The Caldwell girls won the team title at the Thrall Cross County Invitational Meet with a score of 44. Those running in the varsity race included Morgan Becka, Daisha Denson, Tess Homeyer, Ryan Ferguson, Kelly Urbanovsky, Caitlyn Faust and Cadie Coston.

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YEGUAS
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Defensively Johnny Legg had 10 assisted tackles, three solo tackles, an interception, a pass breakup and caused a fumble. Somerville scored in each quarter, opening with a two-yard run by Teague in the first, fol-

lowing a six-play, 62-yard drive, and adding a two-yard Vega run in the second and a two-point conversion to finish a nine-play, 46-yard drive. Teague broke away for a 52-yard TD run in the third, and Legg added a two-point play. Somerville Head Coach Cal Neatherlin

said the biggest difference was the "the mindset of our offensive line."
"They wanted to pound Leon up front, and they finished off the blocks that allowed us to finish drives," he said.
Neatherlin said Riley Eldridge led the offensive line at center and tackle.
Neatherlin also praised Teague and Woodberry for big nights on offense.
"What I am most proud of is how hard our guys fought the whole game. We got behind early and battled back, had penalties yet came back to finish and score on those drives," Neatherlin said.
Somerville also had a 45-yard TD called back, but "every time something bad happened our boys responded like true Yeguas and fought back," he said.
"We just ran out of time. I believe we left it all on the field," Neatherlin said.
Somerville travels to 2-1 Granger this Friday for the district

opener. Granger defeated Frost 39-13 last week.
Neatherlin said the Lions look strong at every position.
"We really couldn't find a weak link anywhere on either side of the ball," he said.
"They play as a team and play fast."
Neatherlin said Granger doesn't make mistakes on defense and spreads you out with their offense, looking for mismatches.
"They will screen you and throw the ball efficiently," he said.
A first victory in the district opener would be huge for Somerville.
"We will have to take care of ourselves to beat Granger. We have to stop the penalties that kill drives," Neatherlin said.
"Defensively, we need to align correctly and stop their running game to make them one-dimensional. It should be an exciting district opening game, and the team that makes the least mistakes will pull it out."



BOTH SOMERVILLE CROSS COUNTRY teams ran in the Moulton Cross Country Meet on Saturday, Sept. 12. Pictured are, from left, Jaret Pinkerton, Alondra Zamora, Ra'Maya Carter, Destiny Vela and Jazmine Jackson and Javen Henderson.



THE LADY YEGUA CROSS COUNTRY team ran in the Moulton Cross Country Meet on Saturday. Pictured are, from left, Alondra Zamora, Ra'Maya Carter, Destiny Vela and Jazmine Jackson.



SOMERVILLE CROSS country coach Billy Ramey is pictured with medalists Destiny Vela and Ra'Maya Carter from the Moulton Meet.

Somerville XC races in Moulton

Somerville boys and girls varsity ran in the Moulton Cross Country Meet on Saturday, Sept 12, with Ra'Maya Carter, placing 11th in the varsity girls 2-mile race.
Carter finished with a time of 15:10.
Other varsity girl runners were: Destiny Vela, 15th, 15:20; Jazmine Jackson, 44th, 19:34; Alondra Zamora, 51st, 23:30.
The varsity boys had two runners with Jaret Pinkerton placing 44th with 24:39 and Javen Henderson in 45th with 24:57.
At press time, no other details were available.

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Snook ISD menu

The following is the menu for the Snook Independent School District for Sept. 21-25:

Mon., 9/21: Steak Fingers, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Green Beans, Fruit Variety.

Tues., 9/22: Mandarin Chicken, Egg Roll, Stir Fry Veggies, Asian Brown Rice, Fruit Variety.

Wed., 9/23: Chicken and Waffles, Oven Fries, House Salad, Fruit Variety.

Thurs., 9/24: Burrito, Refried Beans, Corn, Apple Crisp, Fruit Variety.

Fri., 9/25: Corn Dog, Baked Beans, Veggie Sticks, Ranch Dip, Cookie, Fruit Variety.



Somerville ISD menu

The following is the menu for the Somerville Independent School District for Sept. 21-25:

Mon., 9/21: Turkey and Cheese Sub, Carrot Dippers, Lettuce/Tomato, Fruit, Baked Chips.

Tues., 9/22: Hot Pockets, Macaroni and Cheese, Seasoned Broccoli, Bread Stick, Fruit.

Wed., 9/23: Sloppy Joes, Pickles, Veggie Dippers, Fruit, Baked Chips.

Thurs., 9/24: Spaghetti and Meat Sauce, Seasoned Green Beans, Corn Bread, Fruit.

Fri., 9/25: Cheeseburger, Lettuce/Tomato/Pickle, Baked Fries, Veggie Dippers, Assorted Fruit.

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Lady Yeguas begin district with Fayetteville, RTC losses

The Lady Yeguas began district play last week, losing both District 26-2A matches to Fayetteville and Round Top-Carmine.

Last Tuesday in Fayetteville, the Lady Yeguas fell in four sets 22-25, 25-20, 18-25, 13-25.

Somerville's offense was led by Halle Stevens and Camia Martin, each with 11 kills, and Kailey Eldridge with 15 assists.

Lady Lion sophomore Brooklyn Jaeger had

a phenomenal game at the net with 27 kills and two blocks.

SHS	22	25	18	13	- 1
FHS	25	20	25	25	- 3
Somerville: SP	Ace	K	Ast	Bk	Dig
Vela	4	0	0	0	0
Carter	4	0	2	0	1
Kovasovic	4	0	4	6	2
Divin	4	0	0	0	2
Martin	4	0	11	0	1
Eldridge	4	1	2	15	0
Stevens	4	1	11	0	1

On Friday, Somerville lost on the road to RTC in straight sets 10-25, 16-25, 13-25.

Emma Kovasovic led the team in kills with four.

Martin was the team leader in blocks with five.

SHS	10	16	13	- 0		
RTC	25	25	25	- 3		
Somerville:	SP	Ace	K	Ast	Bk	Dig
Vela	3	0	0	0	0	0
Carter	3	0	0	0	1	3
Kovasovic	3	0	4	2	2	1
Divin	3	0	0	0	0	0
Martin	3	0	1	0	5	3
Eldridge	3	0	3	5	0	0
Stevens	3	0	3	2	2	0

The Lady Yeguas are scheduled to be on the road again this week, playing Brazos Christian on Tuesday and Richards on Friday.



SNOOK QUARTERBACK GARRETT LERO runs on a quarterback keeper during the Bluejays' 26-20 non-district loss to Thrall Friday. Lero ran for 34 yards and passed for 65 in the loss. The Bluejays will be at home this Friday against Hearne. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday



SNOOK RUNNING BACK JUSTIN SUPAK slips away from two Thrall defenders during the Bluejays' non-district game against the Tigers Friday night in Thrall. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

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and Garcia for their passing and receiving and cited Supak, David Davila and Jaxson Brisco for excellent defensive games.

Garcia finished 4-5 in passing for 156 yards with the two TDs, and Lero finished 10-19 for 65 yards with two interceptions.

Conerway led the team in rushing with 63 yards on four carries, while Lero carried 11 times for 34 yards.

Hamilton led the Bluejays in receiving with six catches for 154 yards, while Supak had four catches for 39 yards.

Defensively, Davila had nine tackles and eight assists, including three tackles for loss. Brisco had two tackles and 13 assists, and Supak had three tackles with nine assists.

Snook travels to Milano this Friday for the district opener.

Milano, 1-2, lost 43-0 at Bremond last week.

"Milano has a large offensive and defensive line and some very fast

skilled players on offense and defense," Patterson said. "It will be another tough matchup and will come down to

our ability to establish and maintain a run game on offense and slow down their run game on defense."

Snook XC runs at McGregor Meet

Snook runners competed in the McGregor Cross Country Invitational on Saturday, Sept. 12.

Jose Garcia led the varsity boys placing 44th with 22:42.00.

Matthew Mathis with Eagle Christian Academy placed first with a time of 17:34.90. Cody Hinson and Tate Rainwater of Lampasas took second and third with times of 17:43.90 and 17:46.60.

Snook cross country Coach Travis McFar-

land said they have had issues getting their team running due to illnesses and scheduling conflicts, but that he was proud of the runners he had at the meet.

"It was a large meet with great competition, and I was proud of the way our kids attacked it. All four of them ran their personal bests -- and you can't ever ask for more than that," McFarland said.

Other Snook varsity boy runners were John See in 51st place with

a time of 23:45.40 and Hagan Sebesta in 54th place with 26:16.30.

Carmen Miller was the sole varsity girl runner and came in 27th with a time of 15:58.70 in the 2-mile race.

First and second place were Yierra Flemmings and Logan Pevehouse of Cameron Yoe with times of 12:19.60 and 12:33.30.

Karis Dieteruch of Ax-tell came in third with 13:07.90.

Lady Hornets open District 19-3A with easy win

The Lady Hornets introduced themselves to the residents of Florence by handing the Lady Buffs a quick straight-set defeat 25-7, 25-15, 25-11.

After a Tuesday open date, Florence was the location of Caldwell's District 19-3A opener, and the Lady Hornets set the tone for what the district should expect from Caldwell -- why the Lady Hornets are known as a volleyball powerhouse in the state.

Head coach Jane Anne Giese said, "In my 17 years of coaching, I know we have never traveled to Florence, and I don't believe we have ever played Florence."

"We made quick work of them and won in three sets."

"Our team has been

focused on reducing errors and terminating on the first chance. I think we did a great job," she said.

"I am extremely proud of how the group is playing, but more excited about how they are working to get better," Giese said.

Seniors Elizabeth See and Aaliyah Massingill each had a good offensive night at the net. See led the team in kills with 17, and Massingill had 10.

Senior Macy Taylor led the team's net defense with three blocks. See and Massingill each had a block.

Junior Alayna Hart was the team's assists leader with 30, and senior libero Delayni Drgac was the backline leader with 14 digs, 13 serves received and five aces.

CHS	25	25	25	- 3		
FHS	7	15	11	- 0		
Player:	SP	Ace	K	Ast	Bk	Dig
Massingill	3	0	10	0	1	2
Drgac	3	5	0	0	0	14
Garza	3	0	0	0	0	3
Narro	3	3	0	0	0	5
Hart	3	0	2	30	0	10
Taylor	3	0	4	0	3	1
Hartman	2	0	0	0	0	3
Reed	3	0	2	0	0	2
See	3	1	17	0	1	6
Mathis	3	0	1	0	0	2

Caldwell is 9-5 on the season and 1-0 in district.

Caldwell was scheduled to travel to Rockdale on Tuesday, Sept. 15.

The Lady Hornets will host Rogers in their home district opener at the new Hornet Gym this Friday, Sept. 18, at 4:30 p.m.

Then, Caldwell will host Academy on Tuesday, Sept. 22, with the freshmen and JV at 5 p.m. and the varsity following.

CHS JV VB beats Florence

The Lady Hornet junior varsity volleyball team started district this past Friday, defeating Florence in a two-set match 25-7, 25-15.

Caldwell came out energized and ready to play, showing outstanding offense and defense in the first set and never looked back.

Aggressive serving, hitting and tenacious defense made the win for the Lady Hornets fun to watch and be a part of.

Coach Wendy Weiss said, "We came out ready to win tonight, and I am really proud of how we were able to shake off mistakes and move on to the next

point."

Stat leaders for Lady Hornets against Florence:

* Aces: Ciara Coker, four; Jackie Pinkerton, three; Marina Brinkman, two; Jayla Schultz, one; Allie Bowers, one; Caitlyn Faust, one.

* Kills: Ashlyn Kellum, five; Lexie Albright, five; Aliyah Vela, three; Bowers, three; Caitlyn Faust, two; Schultz, one; Andrea Flores, one.

* Digs: Flores, nine; Coker, five; Hope Savage, four; Brinkman, four; Kellum, three; Bowers, three.

* Assists: Bowers, 13.

* Blocks: Albright, one; Bowers, one; Jackie Pinkerton, one.

Caldwell is 5-5 for the season and 1-0 in district.

Caldwell was scheduled to take on Rockdale on the road on Tuesday, Sept. 15.

Next, the Lady Hornets will host Rogers on Friday, Sept. 18, immediately following the varsity match.

Caldwell ISD menu

The following is the menu for the Caldwell Independent School District for Sept. 21-25:

Lunch, Elementary, Intermediate:

Mon., 9/21: Mini Corn Dogs, Baked Beans, Grape Tomatoes, Fruit, Milk.

Tues., 9/22: Steak Fingers, Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans, Roll, Fruit, Milk.

Wed., 9/23: Chicken Alfredo, Baby Carrots, Tuscan Vegetables, Fruit, Milk.

Thurs., 9/24: Hamburger or Cheeseburger, Potato Rounds, Celery Sticks, Sandwich Trimmings, Fruit, Milk.

Fri., 9/25: Pepperoni Pizza, Buttery Corn, Fresh Garden Salad, Fruit, Milk.

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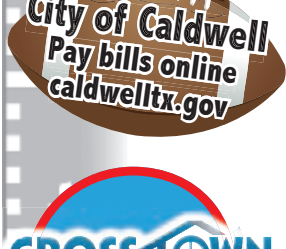
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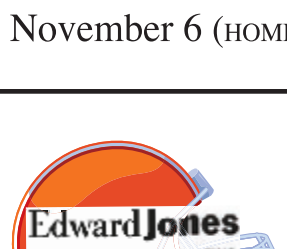
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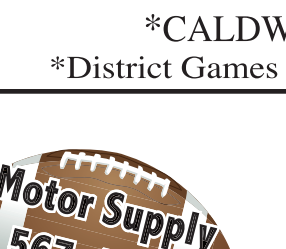
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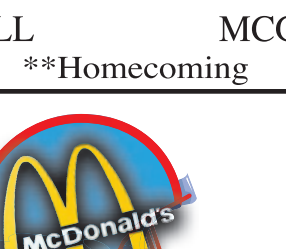
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NICO LUCERO hits a backhand during a boys doubles match on Saturday. He and his partner Adolfo Gaucin won their match 6-2, 6-3.



CALDWELL'S WAYLON CHAPMAN hits a return during a boys doubles match on Saturday. Chapman and his doubles partner Isaac Salazar beat a Smithville duo. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday



ADOLFO GAUCIN returns a serve from a Smithville player during a match on Saturday, Sept. 12. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

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sity boys runners were: Will McDonald, 25th, 20:29.50; Luke McClosky, 30th, 20:44.72; Blane Garza, 40th, 21:33.11; Nathan Scott, 44th, 21:50.66; Jack McClosky, 56th, 23:02.78. Caldwell boys junior varsity placed fourth as a team with a score of 78. Cornerstone Christian won the team title with a score of 40. Taylor was second with 55, and Austin Champions Homeschool was third with 67. Grant McManus was the top runner for Caldwell in 15th place with a time of 25:00.30. Evan Compton and Logan Engel of Cornerstone Christian won first and second with

times of 20:14.78 and 20:27.38. Brandon Aguilar of Taylor was third with 20:48.18. Other Caldwell boys junior varsity runners were: Kaden Roskey, 16th, 25:14.75; Cooper Odenbach, 17th, 25:23.33; Colt Hart, 18th, 25:29.11; Jacob Beck, 29th, 28:13.88. Caldwell girls junior varsity had two runners with Kaitlyn Hargraves in 5th place with a time of 16:15.05 and Jackie Gutierrez in 12th with 18:00.41. Liv Bain of Cornerstone Christian won first with a time of 14:27.13. Cady Barcak of Thrall was second with 14:33.99, and Jorie Weeks of Cornerstone Christian was third with 14:55.27.

TENNIS

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count in the scoring: * Kayleigh Archer won her singles match against Jasmine Gutierrez 8-6. * Anthony Solis and Bryan Martinez won in boys doubles against Achilles Brian and Melvin Evans 8-1. The team also competed in Taylor on Sept 10 in a non-district match, falling to the Ducks 7-12. Coach Sandra Gil-land said that this Taylor match was the “first match for some of our younger players.” “Since they played two out of three sets, this gave our players some great preparation for district play,” she said. Nineteen matches were played in the

competition against Taylor plus three extra practice matches. In boys singles: * Salazar won his match 6-4, 7-5. In girls singles: * Cravens won 6-0, 6-4. * Madeline Horan won 6-4, 7-6 (10-5) tiebreaker. In boys doubles: * Zapata and Ramon won 6-3, 6-1. In girls doubles: * Cravens and Aletza Torres won 6-0, 6-0. * Madeline Horan and McKenzie Horan won 6-1, 7-5. * Karly Fritsche and Katelynn Brock won 7-6(7-1), 8-6. In extra practice matches which didn't count in the scoring: * Breyden Athey won his singles match 8-5. * Anthony Solis and Nam Le won in boys doubles 8-1. * Nicholas Rutherford and Gabe Pipes won in boys doubles 8-0. The tennis team will take on Cameron in a district match this Thursday at Bryan's Sam Rayburn Intermediate School.



CALDWELL'S JAMAR HEWITT goes for the ball last Friday against Lago Vista. The Hornets fell to the Vikings 20-0 in their annual homecoming game. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders

CHS offense struggles in 20-0 homecoming loss to Lago Vista

Hornets still plagued by turnovers

Caldwell's offense sputtered, and turnovers continued to be a problem in a 20-0 homecoming loss to Lago Vista last Friday. The 2-1 Hornets, whose offense produced some big plays and yardage in prior wins over Snook and Hempstead, managed just 100 total yards -- 32 rushing and 68 passing. And losing three of five fumbles with one interception did not help. Caldwell, despite some impressive individual defensive efforts, fell behind 14-0 at halftime and gave a up a third quarter score while surrendering 346 total yards -- 213 rushing and 133 passing. Caldwell Head Coach Matt Langley said that offensively “it is impossible to establish any rhythm or have any sustained success with the ball not being handled adequately.” “We had two turnovers on the first three snaps of the game offensively, and you can't do that and compete well with good football teams,” Langley said. And when the defense is put in poor positions consistently throughout the night, the likelihood for breakdowns increases, he said. Lago Vista opened the scoring early in the first quarter after recovering a fumbled snap, going 44 yards in nine plays. Wide receiver Bowen Stobb caught a six-yard TD pass from quarterback Adrian Hernandez with 8:57 remaining in the quarter. In the second quarter, Hernandez his second



DONTAVIEN JOHNSON AND Cadarius Williams make a tackle last Friday as Larry Davis moves in to assist. The Hornets lost to Lago Vista at homecoming 20-0. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders

TD pass -- an eighty-yarder to wide receiver Marquise Pierce. That completed a long drive of 98 yards in 12 plays, giving the Vikings a 14-0 lead with 6:51 left in the half. Hernandez's two-yard run in the final seconds of the third quarter completed the scoring. Lago Vista's Logan Parsons carried 19 times for 145 yards as the Vikings asserted their ground game in the early going and kept up the pressure. But Caldwell had some bright spots, particularly on defense with Dontavien Johnson and Larry Davis leading the team in tackles. Travis Balcar added two sacks for 14 yards, and the Hornet defense overall had its moments pressuring Hernandez. Jace Aly also had an interception in the third. In addition, Cadarius Williams was the Hornets special teams MVP with some impressive kickoff returns -- includ-

ing a 55-yarder in the third. Offensively, Davis led the Hornets in rushing with seven carries for 37 yards. Quarterback Ryan Roehling was 5-18 in passing for 68 yards, and De'Autre Burns had four receptions for 54 yards. Langley said the Hornets have some things to work on to get ready for Giddings this week. “To compete with high-level teams, improved offensive efficiency is imperative,” Langley said. “We will tweak some things on offense and attempt to gain some confidence in our ability to simply distribute the football. That is the number one goal of each play. Get the ball in the hands of the correct guy, and we haven't been at all efficient enough in that area in any of the first three games.” Caldwell travels to Giddings this week to

face the 2-1 Buffaloes, who won at Taylor 46-12 last Friday. “Giddings is really big and physical up front on both sides of the ball, and they run the ball extremely well and stop the run defensively extremely well,” Langley said. “They have very few weaknesses when you are breaking them down. Offensively, they take care of the ball well, run it extremely effectively and have good quarterback play.” Defensively, the Buffaloes are big and physical up front, stop the run well and have created several turnovers. “Overall, it will be a test of how much we can improve as a team this week,” he said. “Obviously, we have to eliminate turnovers on offense, and defensively we have to create turnovers and limit their explosive play opportunities for us to win.”

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City to consider
budget, tax rate

The Caldwell City Council was to consider approval of a proposed budget of \$14,928,124 for 2020-21 and a 37.957 cent tax rate at its Tuesday, Sept. 15, meeting. This will be the city's first budget under the new Oct. 1 through Sept. 30 budget cycle.

In other business, the council was to hear introductions of newly appointed comprehensive plan task force members, a Main Street Advisory Board recommendation to create an Adopt-A-Box program and to receive an update on the new city hall construction project.

Other agenda items included approval of a Texas Department of Transportation 2020

grant for up to \$20,000 for the Routine Airport Maintenance Program at Caldwell Municipal Airport.

The agenda also included appointing a city fire marshal and health officer to one-year terms, three members to the electrical advisory board for a one-year term and two members to the plumbing advisory board for up to a four-year term.

They were also to consider creating a Round-up Program through the city utility billing account system for the Boys & Girls Club and to hear reports on the Burleson County Chamber of Commerce and the Burleson County Economic Development Corp.

Somerville ISD sets '20-21
guidelines for facility usage

Somerville ISD has set guidelines for renting district facilities during the 2020-2021 school year.

The school board approved a new facility rental and usage handbook which set rates for facility rentals as well as guidelines for those renting the facilities during its regular meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 9.

Somerville ISD Superintendent Karla Sparks said the new facility rental and usage handbook "clarifies a few things while using our facilities."

"In the past, we've let people use our facilities, especially the youth organization groups. They use our practice fields, and they use our gym."

"We just kind of set some guidelines there," Sparks said.

Sparks said that the new guidelines state that if at least 75 percent of participants are Somerville ISD students, there would be no charge for the facility usage.

She said, "I just think that it's only fair to open up our doors and

not make them pay if they're our kids in our community."

Sparks said that in the new facility use agreement, the renter will need to have insurance.

She said, "I'm happy to say that our youth organizations do have insurance."

"It's a good thing. If somebody gets hurt, we won't be liable. And, we want to make sure that our kids are taken care of."

"I feel like our user agreement is fair," Sparks said.

She added that the Yegua Center is used often for community events.

Sparks said, "I just thought it was a good idea to have some kind of user agreement to put on our web page."

Sparks said that she hopes the new handbook will clarify any questions the community may have about rental of district facilities.

In other business, the board:

* Consulted with legal counsel during closed session regarding issues related to student

discipline.

The board met with Joey Moore, attorney with Walsh Gallegos of Austin, the district's legal counsel, but since no action was taken when the board came out of closed session regarding this item, no further information was available to *The Tribune*.

* Approved the improvement plans for the district and for the campuses.

Sparks said the elementary and intermediate campuses are submitting one plan together.

She said that one of the major changes to the plans are how the district will address mental health.

Sparks also said that the documents are "fluid" and are "always evolving."

* Approved the 2020-2021 substitute teacher list.

Sparks said that she plans on having a substitute training session soon.

* Heard enrollment reports from each campus: 177 at the elementary, 127 at the intermediate (33 are remote learners) and 195 at

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BY SLOAN PREUSS

A HAPPY START

-- Putting all other concerns aside, the Texas Longhorns came ready to play some football in a home game against UTEP on Saturday night. Who cares if there were only 15,000 fans there to cheer them on, instead of the usual 100,000. It's called the coronavirus.

Busting out like a moose on the loose, the Horns raced out to a 45-3 halftime lead on the way to a 59-3 romp. Or maybe I should say Bevo on the loose. Is that better?

Was that start enough to get you off the couch cheering? Or enough to put you to sleep in the recliner? I would probably say some in each category, to be honest about it. Cheer, cheer, yawn, yawn. You get the idea.

Sam Ehlinger was all smiles after passing for a career-high five touchdowns and over 400 yards. And that all happened in the first half. What a way to start the season!

You kind of knew it

was a mismatch right off the bat, or pass in this case, when Ehlinger threw a 78-yard touchdown pass. Kind of set the tone for the rest of the game. If you saw that play, you might as well have turned the channel, because it was just more of the same from then on out.

Not much more to talk about. I don't really like blowouts, even if your team is winning. Do you ever feel sorry for the little guys? I do. But I also like seeing teams run up the score, but only if it's an upset win, not a gimme game!

The Horns moved up from #14 in the country to #9. How did that happen so fast? It's called a big win and not many other ranked teams played over the weekend.

Time for the Longhorns to take the week off and enjoy the win, but not too much, since they go on the road to play the Texas Tech Red Raiders in two weeks to start the Big 12. Game time has already been set for 2:30 p.m. on Sept. 26.

CROWD BOOS --

The first NFL game of the year last Thursday night got off to a rocky start when the Kansas City Chiefs and Houston Texans players gathered at midfield and locked arms to show unity to fight social injustice.

The only problem was, the fans in Kansas City booed them, and booed them loudly. Just like many people don't want to mix politics and religion, fans are tired of mixing political beliefs with football.

Players from both teams quickly left the field to get ready for the game, and fans were still booing them. That was until the Texans scored on their opening drive for a 7-0 lead, followed by the Chiefs scoring 31 unanswered points for a 31-7 lead. The boos quickly changed to cheers, since the fans were getting what they came to watch -- their team scoring a lot and winning big. It wasn't much of a game, with the Texans scoring late

when it really didn't matter anymore, making the 34-20 loss appear closer than it really was.

Houston fans should be booing their head coach, Bill O'Brien, who didn't have his team ready for the opener and has been a lousy coach for many years now.

The Texans will try to bounce back with a home game against the Baltimore Ravens this Sunday at 3:15 p.m. on FOX 7. I'm taking the Ravens in this one -- by 10 points.

BORING OPENER

-- The first game of the year for the Dallas Cowboys was a real dud, with the Los Angeles Rams breaking in their new \$5 billion stadium in style with a 20-17 victory on Sunday Night Football.

It was a boring game, and it didn't even look like either team was playing very hard. Sloppy offense and sloppy defense for a low-scoring final score -- not exactly my idea of popping a top on a bottle of champagne.

Dallas managed only 15 net yards on its final 10 plays of the game. A long catch that would have put the Cowboys in field goal range to possibly tie the game with 21 seconds left, but the receiver was called for offensive pass interference. Almost unheard of. What a shame.

Linebacker Leighton Vander Esch was injured again, this time with a broken collarbone. That poor guy is always hurt for the Cowboys. Might be time to retire before breaking every bone in his body.

With all of that behind us, time to move along to the next game. Like that old song goes, "Yesterday's gone, yesterday's gone." Thank goodness.

The Cowboys will host the Atlanta Falcons this Sunday at 12 noon on FOX 7. I'm looking for Dallas to bounce back and win by a touchdown. Hey, maybe even a touchdown and a field goal. Let's call it 10 points for good measure.

Match the Promise
grant applications
being accepted

Applications now are being accepted for 2020-21 Texas Match the Promise Foundation awards.

The foundation, in cooperation with the Texas Comptroller's office, encourages Texas families to save for college by offering competitive matching scholarships and tuition grants to eligible Texas students who are beneficiaries of an account in the Texas Tuition Promise Fund (TTPF), the state's pre-paid college tuition plan.

Match the Promise scholarships are awarded in the form of TTPF tuition units. Approved recipients can receive matching scholarships of tuition units worth up to \$1,000 at today's prices, while top-scoring recipients also can receive one-time grants of tuition units worth \$2,000 at today's prices. Comptroller Glenn Hegar said, "During

the 2019-20 school year, the foundation approved Match the Promise scholarships for 61 students. That brings our total number of scholarships awarded by the foundation to 531. We're excited about approving new matching scholarships and tuition grants for children who represent this state's future."

Fifth through ninth graders who have a TTPF account and whose families have annual incomes of \$100,000 or less can apply for the matching scholarships and tuition grants through Dec. 31.

To be considered for an award, students must write a career essay and meet other requirements.

Complete details can be found at MatchThePromise.org or by calling 800-531-5441, ext. 3-7570.



P.K. KIKE OF First United Methodist Church in Somerville serves cupcakes at Floyd Woods 90th birthday drive-by celebration at his home off County Road 408. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders



FLOYD WOODS, RIGHT smiles as friends from First United Methodist Church in Somerville honor him with a 90th birthday drive-by celebration at his home off County Road 408.

Hornets JV falls to Lago Vista

Caldwell's JV football team fell to Lago Vista 14-8 last Thursday in Lago Vista.

Caldwell's Christian Trinidad scored the Hornets' TD in the third quarter and had seven explo-

sive runs.

Aiden Torres, with eight carries for good yardage, and Christian Garcia also ran the ball well, coaches said.

Ivan Soto had a two-point conversion and four

explosive runs, they said.

Defensively, Justin Balcar had a fumble recovery, David Burks and Garcia each had tackles for losses, and Carson Parker and Trinidad each broke up passes.

Caldwell was scheduled to host Giddings this Thursday.

Caldwell 7th ties Lago Vista

Caldwell's seventh grade tied Lago Vista 12-12 last Thursday in their first game of the season, while the eighth grade lost 14-6.

In the seventh grade game, Jaxon Anderson scored on a one-yard run to tie the score at 6-6. In the third quarter, Coy Becka scored on a 65-yard run, and the two-point play failed to make it 14-6.

Lago Vista ran back the ensuing kickoff to tie the score at 12-12.

Coaches said Waylon Owens, Bryce Garcia, Anderson and Becka were defensive standouts.

In the eighth grade game, Caldwell's Preston Supak scored on a one-yard run after the Hornets trailed 7-0. Leading 7-6, the Vikings later scored before halftime to complete the scoring at 14-6.

Coaches said Koy Macik, who had a fumble recovery, Lakendrik Mosley, E.J. Rogers and Hays Beavers all played well on defense.

Both teams will travel to Giddings for their next game this Friday.



CBS HONEYBEES ABBY Easterling, Whitney Hodges and Jakelin Calzada perform at halftime of the Caldwell-Lago Vista game.



CALDWELL CHEERLEADERS CHEER ON the Hornets at the Friday Lago Vista game.



CBS HOMECOMING KING and Queen court members included, from left, Mark Revilla, Delayni Drgac, Dontavien Johnson, Hannah Blaha, Rachel Novosad, Adolfo Gaucin, Priscilla Olivarez and Larry Davis.



HOMECOMING COURT members include, front row, Ryan Ferguson, Delayni Drgac, Hanna Blaha, Rachel Novosad, Priscilla Olivarez and Morgan Becka; back row, Travis Balcar, Mark Revilla, Dontavien Johnson, Adolfo Gaucin, Larry Davis, Jace Aly and Jamin White.

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A bid bond in the amount of 5 percent of the bid issued by an acceptable surety shall be submitted with each bid. A certified check or bank draft payable to the City of Snook or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (as par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon and Related Acts) wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Agriculture Office of Rural Affairs and contained in the contract documents, must be paid on this project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual identity, gender identity, or national origin.

The City of Snook reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Bids may be held by the City of Snook for a period not to exceed 90 days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidder's qualifications prior to the contract award.

City of Snook, Texas John See III, Mayor September 17, 2020 and September 24, 2020

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THE NEW CALDWELL HIGH SCHOOL Gym will officially open Thursday, Sept. 17, during a ribbon cutting ceremony at 5:30 p.m. The Lady Hornet volleyball team will play its first match in the new gym against Rogers on Friday, Sept. 18. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

CISD ribbon cutting for new gym this Thursday, Sept. 17

The Lady Hornet volleyball team will have a new home this Friday.

Caldwell ISD administrators will officially open the new high school gymnasium with a ribbon cutting ceremony this Thursday, Sept. 17, at 5:30 p.m.

And, the Lady Hornets will host Rogers this Friday, Sept. 18, to welcome Caldwell residents into their new home.

At 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Andrew Peters, Caldwell ISD superintendent, will welcome guests, staff, teachers and students to the ceremony. And, school board president, Tripp Warren, CISD Athletic Director, Matt Langley, and coaches, Jane Anne Giese and Wendy Weiss, will speak to the audience with Giese welcoming the guests into her team's new home.

After the ribbon cutting, guests will be able to tour the foyer, concession stand, spirit shop, restrooms and locker rooms. Guests will also be able to try out a home side stadium seat.

School officials would like to remind guests to wear their face masks.

The new gym is part of

Methodist Men plan annual hamburger sale

The Somerville United Methodist Men will hold a drive-through hamburger sale at noon on Sunday, Sept. 27, at the church in Somerville.

Proceeds will benefit the group's three annual charitable donations -- the Somerville Area Assistance Ministries (SAAM) House, the Somerville Senior Citizens Center and the Methodist Children's Home in Waco.

The hamburger sale is typically held at the church's Family Life Center as a dine-in event, but it will be a drive-through, pick up only event this year due to COVID-19.

Burgers will sell for \$5 each and will include lettuce, tomatoes, pickles and onions in a separate bag, so buyers can prepare their own burger as they wish.

A dessert will also be offered.

The church is located at 862 Ave. D at 11th Street in Somerville.

Those arriving are asked to pick up their burgers on Avenue D, going from 10th to 11th Street.

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RACHEL NOVOSAD, a Burleson County Fair queen candidate, is the daughter of Brad and Mandy Novosad of Caldwell. Novosad is a senior at Caldwell High School, sponsored by Caldwell FFA and the Caldwell Lions Club.

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Fair Queen Jessica Enrique bids 'farewell' to county

Being crowned Burleson County Fair Queen was the highlight of my senior year. I overcame the fear of public speaking, stayed determined to network and approach our community for ticket sales, accepting the “Yes” and the “No” leads me to this great milestone in Fair Queen history. As I *Wish a Upon a Star* that evening, I took a moment to reflect on a sweet 2006 memory of Mrs. Lauren Eubanks Plachy, my Fair Queen role model. Thank you, Lauren.

It has been a great honor to represent Burleson County -- the fun fair experience as queen was at times overwhelming and yet so memorable. This awesome time was shared alongside my sweet Little Miss Karlee Praesel. We became instant friends, applying her lipstick, adjusting her crown, sharing desserts, to shopping at Cavender's; at times, people asking us, “If we are sisters?” I will gladly be your big sister, Karlee! You are a terrific Little Miss -- keep smiling! Thank you Praesel family for a sweet and caring Little Miss!

Karlee and I enjoyed the Burleson County Go Texan fundraiser and dance in February. We helped with the auction and danced the night away.

Another event as Queen and Little Miss for Burleson County gave us the invitation to be recognized at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. Karlee and I had so much fun riding in the chuck wagon, hearing our names announced and seeing ourselves on the jumbo screen. We loved the cotton candy and nachos. Thank you to our sweet Burleson County Go Texan Ambassador Marsha Kocurek and her family, and the Burleson County Go Texan committee for a great time.

Little did one know that the fun experience of the Houston Livestock Show and all other events that involve greeting others with a gesture of a handshake would be taken for granted due



**2019 BURLESON COUNTY FAIR QUEEN
JESSICA ENRIQUE**

to COVID-19. This pandemic as well as any challenge has put things in prospective for me: love of family and the generosity of a kind community with God's continued care will stay strong together.

I would like to take this moment to extend a “Thank you” to our previous Fair Board Director Mr. Dennis Gaas, fair board members, Fair Queen Contest Director Theresa Schoppe, Pageant Chair Susan Skrabanek and pageant committee for all their volunteer hours.

As we begin this fair week somewhat different but possible, our community of Burleson County moves forward in making this Burleson County Fair a memorable time for our county's youth. Thank you 2020 fair board members, Fair Queen Contest Director Kimberly Giesenschlag, Pageant Chair Tammi Skrhak and Fair Board Director Stacy Stefka for all the countless hours spent in making this year's fair a success.

Thank you to my amazing family for their faithful sup-

port -- without them this adventure of a lifetime would not be possible, particularly, my Nana who made sure my dress was altered and ready for my big day, all my awesome aunts who helped me in various ways -- from ticket sales on Facebook or in person, making sure my makeup and stage presence was ready for that evening pageant. A heartfelt gratitude to my little brother Jessie for his continued support around pageant time and to my parents, Andrea and Jessie for their unconditional love.

Currently, I am attending Blinn College, majoring in Biology with plans to attend Stephen F. Austin State University.

I am so grateful for all the wonderful memories made at the 2019 Burleson County Fair.

Wishing each contestant the very best, be yourselves and have fun!

Thank you and
God Bless!
Jessica Enrique,
2019 Burleson
County Fair Queen

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The auctions that will be broadcast online by *Cattle in Motion* include the Baked Foods Auction, the Commercial Heifer Sale and the Youth Livestock Auction.

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You must fill out the information with a red asterisk next to it.
Then, click “Create New Account.”
You are logged in if you see “My Account” and “Log Out” in the upper right hand side of the screen.
- * Under upcoming events, you will need to click on the event you are wishing to watch.
- * If you are wishing to bid, scroll down the page under the section that says “Process to Bid Online” and click the words “Complete Lifetime Verification.”
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EMMA COLLEY, a 2020 fair queen candidate, is the daughter of James and Nicole Colley of Caldwell. Colley is a junior at Caldwell High School, sponsored by J&J Transportation and Fritcher Production Services.



RILEY GREEN, a 2020 Burleson County Fair queen candidate, is the daughter of Amy and Beau Gill of Snook. Green is a senior at Snook High School, sponsored by the Snook EEA Club, Snook EEA Travel Club, Lions Club, Sargento's, Snook Self Storage, Jason Gaas Welding & Fencing, Preston Family Kennels and Snook SPJST Lodge Number 9.



TESS HOMEYER, a 2020 fair queen candidate, is the daughter Carl and Sheila Homeyer of Caldwell. Homeyer is a junior at Caldwell High School, sponsored by New Tabor SPJST.

Five ladies compete for 2020 Fair Queen title

A new Burleson County Fair Queen will be crowned on Sunday, Sept. 20, at the Burleson County Fairgrounds.

Last year's fair queen, Jessica Enrique of Caldwell, will crown the new queen following the annual Little Miss contest and the youth bake show auction.

This year's candidates are Emma Colley, Riley Green, Tess Homeyer, Kyleigh Hruska and Rachel Novosad.

Emma Colley is the 16-year-old daughter of James and Nicole Colley of Caldwell.



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She is a junior at Caldwell High School and is sponsored by J&J Transportation and Fritcher Production Services.

Riley Green is the 18-year-old daughter of Amy and Beau Gill of Snook.

She is a senior at Snook High School and is sponsored by the Snook EEA Club, Snook EEA Travel Club, Lions Club, Sargento's, Snook Self Storage, Jason Gaas Welding & Fencing, Preston Family Kennels and Snook SPJST Lodge Number 9.

Tess Homeyer is the 16-year-old daughter of Carl and Sheila Homeyer of Caldwell.

She is a junior at Caldwell High School and is sponsored by New Tabor SPJST.

Kyleigh Hruska is the 18-year-old daughter of Justin and Rebekah Hruska of Snook.

She is a senior at Snook High School and is sponsored by the Snook 4-H, Snook FFA, Snook Lions Club and Snook SPJST Lodge Number 9.

Rachel Novosad is

the 17-year-old daughter of Brad and Mandy Novosad of Caldwell.

She is a senior at Caldwell High School and is sponsored by Caldwell FFA and the Caldwell Lions Club.

These fair queen contestants have been busy selling fair memberships over the past several months as part of their requirement to be crowned 2020 Burleson County Fair Queen.

This year's contestants are also competing for three scholarships totaling \$6,000, which will be awarded to the top three contestants.

Each contestant has the opportunity to receive a total of 200 points:

- * 50 points will depend on their fair membership sales.

- * 150 points will be based on their performance on stage.

Three independent judges will award up to 50 points on the criteria of on-stage presentation which includes stage presence, delivery of their autobiography and two interview questions.



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The show will go on!

Burleson County Fair begins this weekend, despite COVID-19

The annual fair parade beginning at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 19, in downtown Caldwell will kick off the 2020 Burleson County Fair.

The fair itself will run from Monday, Sept. 21, through Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Burleson County Fairgrounds at 905 State Highway 36 South.

Due to COVID-19, this year's fair will see many changes from previous years, including no carnival, no gospel concert, no musical entertainment and a virtual pet show.

The fair association did not want to cancel the entire event due to all the hard work area youth have put into their projects and scholarships that can be earned by local youth. So, fair association officials are asking that attendance at the fair's shows be limited mainly to exhibitors and their immediate families.

However, fair association officials said the public is invited to attend all the auctions, but officials are highly encouraging masks and social distancing at these events.

All shows and events will be livestreamed on the Burleson County Fair Association's Facebook page, except for the auctions.

Fair Queen and Little Miss

The Little Miss Contest will begin on Sunday, Sept. 20, at 6 p.m. with the Queen's Contest later in the evening.

Twenty-one four-year-olds will be vying for the title of 2020 Burleson County Fair Little Miss and five high school students will be competing for the fair queen title.

The public is invited to attend the event. However, the wearing of masks and social distancing is highly encouraged.

This event will also be livestreamed on the Burleson County Fair Association's Facebook page and DVDs can be ordered of the event.

Baked Foods Auction

The Baked Foods Auction will take place between the Little Miss and Queen's contests.

Bidding for the auction will be both live and online.

Anyone wishing to bid must create an account with "Cattle In Motion" to get a "bidder's number" and be verified prior to the auction.

Also, if one wishes to just watch the auction online, you must create an account with "Cattle In Motion," but no bidder's number is required.

The auction will not be live streamed on the fair association's Facebook page.

Ag Mechanics

Ag Mechanics will have its show on Monday, Sept. 21, at 1 p.m.

All projects must be in place at 10 a.m. on Monday.

Creative Living

There will be no Creative Living contests or exhibits this year other than the ones for Baked Foods contest and Ag Mechanics.

Commercial Heifer Auction

The annual Commercial Heifer Sale will begin at 6 p.m. on Friday.

The sale will be both live and online.

If you would like to bid, you must create an account with "Cattle In Motion" to get a "bidder's number" and be verified.

This must be done ahead of time.

If one wishes to watch the auction live, you must create an account with "Cattle In Motion" to watch the auction on their website, however no bidder's number is required.

The auction will not be livestreamed on the fair association's Facebook page.

Youth Livestock Auction

The awards presentation will be at 4:15 p.m. on Saturday, with the Youth Livestock Auction at 5 p.m.

This year, the Youth Livestock Auction will be a Ribbon Sale. Exhibitors this year will walk through the sale block, but no animals will be present.

There will also be no floor buyers.

Animals will remain the property of the exhibitor. This sale will also be both live and online.

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Auction Registration

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For more information, call the BCFA office at (979) 567-3938.

2020 Burleson County Fair Modified Schedule

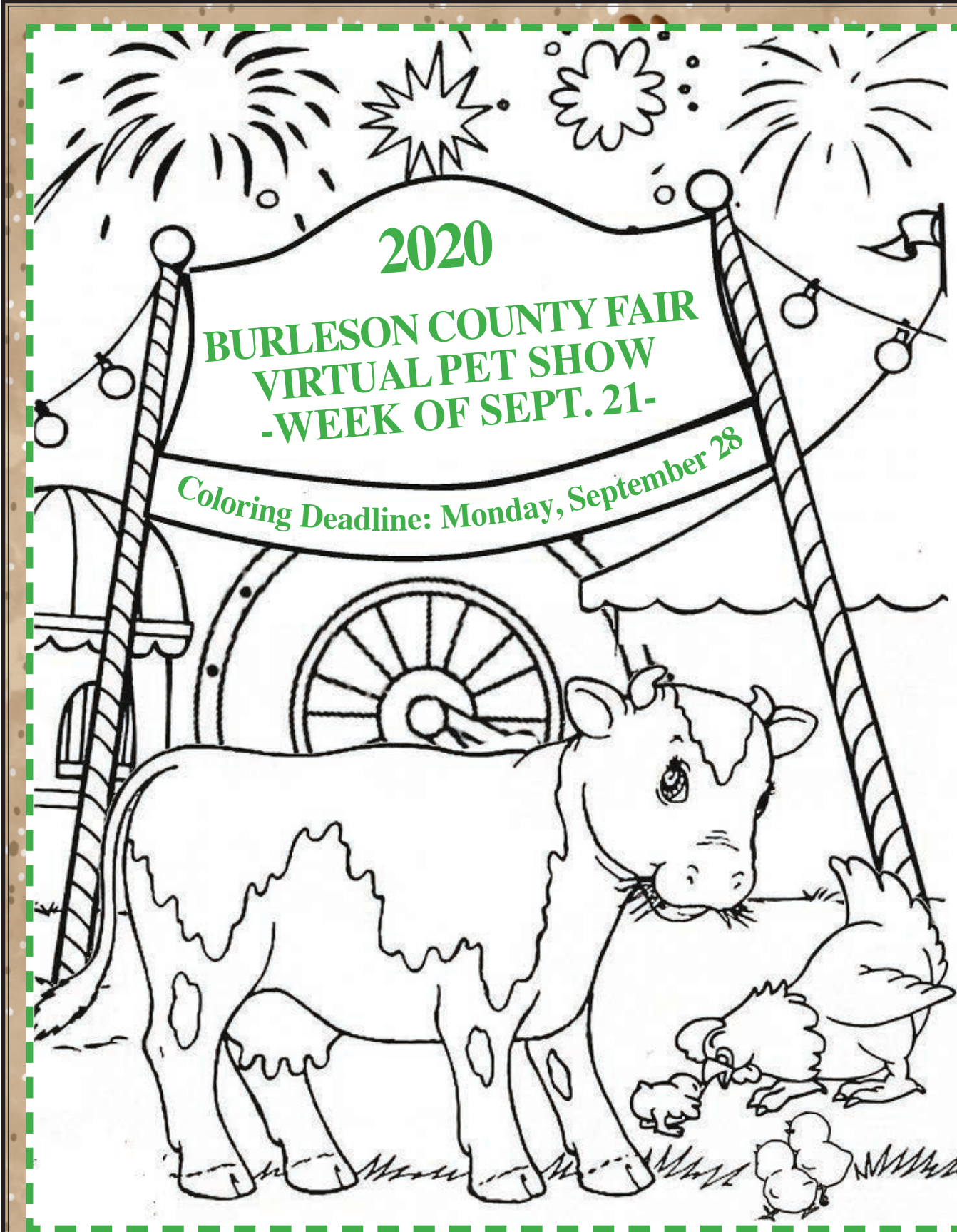
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COLORING CONTEST

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All entries turned in will be donated to the local nursing home residents.

For Questions:
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VIRTUAL PET SHOW

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Record sales in cake auction



MACY NARRO IS PICTURED with her 2019 Burleson County Fair Baked Foods entry, her Cranberry Pecan Kolache Roll, during last year's Baked Foods Auction. This year's auction will be on Sunday, Sept. 20, between the Little Miss and Fair Queen contests.

The annual cake auction during the Burleson County Fair always brings in thousands of dollars and some notoriety for area bakers.

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Champions will be chosen from six different classes: quick bread, yeast bread, cakes, cookies, candy and pies.

Burleson County Fair

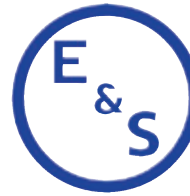
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2019 BURLESON COUNTY FAIR queen candidate Kaitlyn Kindt's parade float earned third place in the queen's division for her float representing Disney's *Aladdin*. The fair theme was "Wish Upon a Star."



2019 BURLESON COUNTY FAIR queen candidate Jessica Enrique enjoyed waving to the crowd lining the streets of last year's parade as Belle from the Disney movie *Beauty and the Beast*.



2019 BURLESON COUNTY FAIR queen candidate Paige Odenbach won first place in the queen's division for her parade float representing Disney's *Cinderella*. The fair theme was "Wish Upon a Star."



2019 BURLESON COUNTY FAIR queen candidate Michaela Jaster's parade float earned second place in the queen's division for her float, representing the Disney movie *Tangled*.



THE DEANVILLE 4-H CLUB was "Happy" with their Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs float. They were also "Sleepy," "Bashful," "Dopey," "Grumpy," and "Sneezy" with "Doc" along for the ride.



2019 LITTLE MISS CANDIDATES got to be princesses during last year's Burleson County Fair Parade. All the Little Miss princesses enjoyed the "Wish Upon a Star" theme while waving to the crowd.



LOCAL SPJST MEMBERS WERE ABLE to ride with the "king and queen" of all Disney characters, Mickey and Minnie Mouse, during last year's Burleson County Fair Parade. With a "Wish Upon a Star" theme, many of last year's parade floats had a Disney theme.

Parade opens county fair

The 2020 Burleson County Fair Parade will officially kickoff the 2020 Burleson County

Fair at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 19, in downtown Caldwell.

With a "Country Nights & Carnival Lights" theme, area youth, schools, businesses and civic organizations are welcome to participate in the parade.

Those participating in the parade must be in place by 9 a.m. Late arrivals will not be allowed to participate.

Fair queen entries will be judged and awarded \$500 for first place, \$300 for second place and \$200 for third.

Last year, Paige Odenbach won first place in the queen's division for her Cinderella-themed float. Michaela Jaster placed second and Kaitlyn Kindt placed third.

Other 2019 winners included: the Caldwell

High School Honeybees in the school division; the Early Evening Lions Club of Caldwell in the civic division; Kice's Elite Dance Center for businesses; and the Deanville 4-H Club in the youth division.

This year's trophies will be awarded in the following categories:

- * Civic organizations.
- * Youth organizations.
- * Schools.
- * Businesses.

All winners will be notified by phone and will receive their trophies during the Little Miss and Fair Queen contests on Sunday, Sept. 20.

The fair runs from Monday, Sept. 21 through Saturday, Sept. 26.

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2019 Burleson County Fair earns over \$1.9M in sales



CAYDEN ZBORIL EXHIBITED the 2019 grand champion market steer, which sold to Evers & Sons, Inc. He is pictured with Buster Evers, Carson Evers, Kim Evers, Ashley and Casey Zboril, 2019 Burleson County Fair Queen Jessica Enrique and Little Miss Karlee Praesel.

The 2019 Burleson County Fair exceeded the \$1.9 million mark with total sales of \$1,961,225.

The total is down from the previous year's sales of \$2,053,550.

The 2019 sales included:

* A total of \$1,009,800 in the youth livestock auction, down from last year's record of \$1,015,250.

* A total of \$920,500 in the commercial heifer sale, down from 2018's total of \$1,007,500. The record sales number of \$1,153,000 was set in 2015.

* A total of \$30,875 in the cake auction, or baked goods sale, breaking 2018's record of \$30,800.

Jessica Enrique was named the 2019 Burleson County Fair Queen.

She is the daughter of Andrea and Jessie Enrique.

Karlee Praesel was chosen as the 2019 Little Miss Burleson County.

She is the daughter of Kaeley and Cody Praesel.

Cayden Zboril, a member of Deanville 4-H Club, exhibited the grand champion market steer, which sold to Evers & Sons, Inc. for \$14,000.

He is the son of Casey and Ashley Zboril.

Benjamin Luke Novosad of Cooks Point 4-H Club exhibited the reserve champion market steer, which sold to Bud Cross Ford, Drgac Fencing, Drgac Fleet & Ag Service and Kawasaki of Caldwell for \$7,000.

He is the son of Brad and Mandy Novosad.

More Grand Champions

Other grand champion winners and their buyers were:

* Market Broilers: Reese Flanagan, Snook 4-H, Metropolitan Water Co., L.P., \$8,500.

* Market Lambs: Cullen W. Tittle, Caldwell 4-H, Cothorn's Tanker LLC, \$6,000.

* Market Swine: Samuel Waldrip, Deanville 4-H, Metropolitan Water Co., L.P., \$9,500.

* Market Turkeys: Tyland Lackey, Caldwell FFA, WRI Tractors, \$4,500.

* Market Rabbits: Cara Gold, Cooks Point 4-H, B & S Welding, \$8,000.

* Market Goats: Cameron Rutherford, 4-H Goat Club, Metropolitan Water Co., L.P., \$8,500.

Reserve Champions

Other reserve champion winners and buy-

ers included:

* Market Broilers: Justin Balcar, Deanville 4-H, Evers & Sons, Inc., \$5,500.

* Market Lambs: Cameron Rutherford, 4-H Goat Club, Washington County Tractor, \$4,750.

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The heaviest broiler, weighing 10.312 pounds, was exhibited by Justin Balcar of the Deanville 4-H Club which sold to Jamie and Sherri Chmelar for \$3,000.

Breeding Heifer Show

In the junior breeding beef heifer show, Barrett Howe exhibited both the grand champion, and Hadley Howe showed the reserve champion.

Commercial Heifers

* Grand champion: Avery R. Kovar of Snook FFA sold her pen of heifers to J x J Ranch for \$21,000.

* Reserve champion: Abigail Flencher of Somerville 4-H Club sold her pen of heifers to Kevin and Jennifer Supak for \$14,250.

Ag Mechanics

* Grand champion: Jason Barker of Snook FFA sold his project to Becka Construction, LLC for \$4,000.

* Reserve champion: Sierra R. Sebesta of Snook FFA sold her project to Becka Construction, LLC for \$3,250.

Showmanship Awards

Last year's Showmanship awards winners were:

* Cameron Rutherford, Market Lambs, Senior Showmanship.

* Barrett W. Dudensing, Market Lambs, Junior Showmanship.

* Katherine Alayna Hart, Market Swine, Senior Showmanship.

* Natalie J. Smith, Market Swine, Junior Showmanship.

* Cameron Rutherford, Market Goats, Senior Showmanship.

* Nathan Scott, Market Goats, Junior Showmanship.

* Grace Fritcher, Market Steers, Senior Showmanship.

* Kaden Schroeder,

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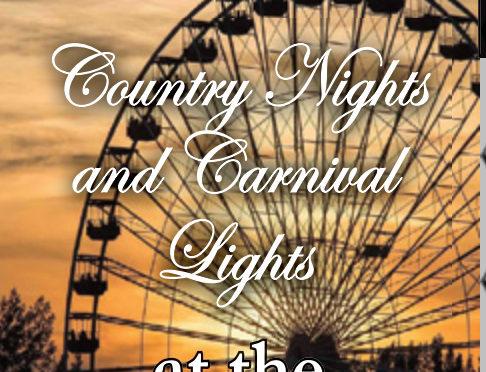
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To view a sale or to bid on a sale:

- * Go to the Cattle in Motion webpage at www.CattleInMotion.com.
- * Create an account.

If you already have an account with Cattle in Motion, you will not need to create a new account.

To create a new account, click on the words "Create New Account" at the top right hand

side of your screen.

You must fill out the information with a red asterisk next to it.

Then, click "Create New Account."

You are logged in if you see "My Account" and "Log Out" in the upper right hand side of the screen.

- * Under upcoming events, you will need to click on the event you are wishing to watch.
- * If you are wishing to bid, scroll down the page under the section that says "Process to Bid Online" and click the words "Complete Lifetime Verification."

Clients will only need to complete this one

time.

You will be directed to Cattle in Motion's shopping cart page.

Click add to cart, and then click check out and enter credit card information.

- * Click on the sale under upcoming events, and then scroll to the bottom of the page to the sign up area and enter your phone number and click "I agree to the sale terms and conditions."
- * On the day of the sale, below the sign up area, there will be a "click here to enter auction" button.

Click the button, and that will take you to the sale.

Fair association memberships raise money for area scholarships

Burleson County Fair Association memberships are being sold by this year's fair queen candidates.

Fair queen candidates are Emma Colley, Riley Green, Tess Homeyer, Kyleigh Hruska and Rachel Novosad.

Each membership is \$30.

In normal years, memberships would include entrance into the fair. However, due to COVID-19, this is not a normal year.

Fair memberships help the fair association raise money to give scholarships to local youth, so memberships are important in helping further the education of Burleson County students.

And, fair memberships also include free admission to the annual BCFA dinner and meeting on Nov. 4.

All members may run for a position on the fair board.



2020 BURLESON COUNTY FAIR

We wish everyone good luck and hope to see you soon!



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Welcome To The 2020 Burleson County Fair!

2020 Burleson County Fair Schedule of Events

Saturday, Sept. 19
9 a.m. - Parade Entries in Place
10 a.m. - Parade Begins
Sunday, Sept. 20
6 p.m. -- Little Miss Contest
Baked Foods Auction at the
Completion of the Little Miss Contest
Queen Contest Following the Bake Foods Auction
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10 a.m. -- Ag Mechanics Check in
1 p.m. -- Ag Mechanics Show
3-7 p.m. -- Rabbits Weighed & Sifted
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7-10 a.m. -- Swine Sifted & Weighed
5:30-7 p.m. -- Goats Sifted & Weighed
7-7:30 p.m. -- Lambs Sifted & Weighed
Wednesday, Sept. 23
7 a.m. -- Swine Judging
7-10 a.m. -- Breeding Heifer & Steer Check in
10:30 a.m. -- Lamb Judging
11 a.m. -- Steers Sifted & Weighed
Noon -- Goat Judging
Thursday, Sept. 24
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Burleson Co. Fair Association to crown Little Miss 2020

Twenty-two four-year-olds will be vying for the title of 2020 Little Miss Burleson County at 6 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 20.

The contest will be held under the pavilion at the Burleson County Fairgrounds.

This year's contestants include: Kambri Ellis, daughter of Brent and Krystina Ellis of Caldwell; Brooklyn Hafernick, daughter of Dustin and Jayla Hafernick of Caldwell; Jocelyn Hernandez, daughter of Joseph and Sara Hernandez of Caldwell; Hattie Herrmann, daughter of Hank and Lexie Herrmann of

Caldwell; Adeline Hyvl, daughter of Delbert and Emily Hyvl of Caldwell; Hayden Jo Kemper, daughter of Nick and Amanda Kemper of Caldwell.

And, Joaquina Segnini-Larrazabal, daughter of Mati and Rodrigo Segnini of Caldwell; Deni Kate Lloyd, daughter of Brooke and Britt Lloyd of Caldwell; Adalynne LaVerne Owen, daughter of Amber and Ivar Owen of Caldwell; Elayna CayLynn Rinck, daughter of Casey and Elizabeth Rinck of Caldwell; Adilyn Rok, daughter of LaRisa and Brian Rok of Caldwell; Colbi Sprouse, daughter of Allison Sprouse of Caldwell.

Also, Payton Carleen Stephens, daughter of Amanda Youngmark and Jamie Stephens of Caldwell; Dakota Urbanovsky, daughter of Danielle and Donald Urbanovsky of Caldwell; Dusty Urbanovsky, daughter of Danielle and Donald Urbanovsky of Caldwell; Henley Vasquez, daughter of Jacob and Kea Vasquez of Caldwell; Paizley Ann Gaas, daughter of Jason and Erin Gaas of Snook; Aviana Brielle Chavez, daughter of Joel and Cynthia Chavez of Somerville;

Emersyn Baker, daughter of Alex and Britnie Baker of Somerville; Madelyn Mae Lewis, daughter of Chad and Aimee Lewis of Somerville; Clair Olivia Russ, daughter of Chad and Megan Russ of Somerville.

The winner will be crowned by 2019 Little Miss Karlee Praesel, daughter of Kaeley and Cody Praesel of Caldwell.

Tammi Skrhak will serve as chairman for this year's contest and will be assisted by fair board director, Kimberly Giesenschlag.



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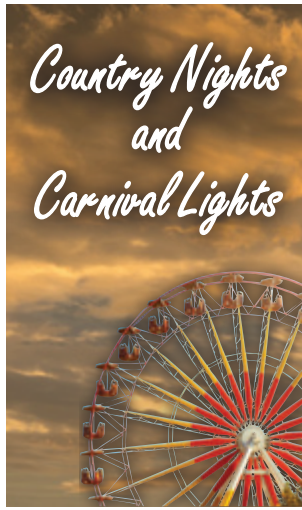
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MARLEY KOCUREK IS interviewed and stands next to her pet Pokey at the Burleson County Fair Pet Show last year at the fair pavilion. This year's pet show will be a virtual show online due to COVID-19.

During this 'ruff' time, pet show goes virtual

The annual pet show at the Burleson County Fair is going virtual this year due to COVID-19 concerns.

The show will take place on the Burleson County Fair Pet Show's Facebook page during the week of Sept. 21.

Any person 18 and under and living in Burleson County or attending school in the county can enter a pet in the show by posting pictures to the pet show Facebook page to be eligible to win "fun prizes."

Animal categories may include dogs, cats, caged birds, most unusual, adopted pets and best costumes class.

Also, the pet show is hosting a coloring contest.

Use the coloring page in this edition, or coloring pages can be picked up at the Brazos Valley RV Park or printed off from the pet show's Facebook page.

Completed pictures can be turned in at the Brazos Valley RV Park for a prize.

And, all pictures turned in will be donated to local nursing home residents.

For more information about either contest, visit the Burleson County Fair Pet Show's Facebook page.

BC Fair Association awards scholarships

Twenty-two area 4-H and FFA students were named recipients of the 2020 Burleson County Fair Association fair scholarships. Layne Tharp of Somerville was named the winner of the \$1,500 Junice Baldwin Memorial Scholarship for 2020.

Fourteen \$1,000 scholarships were also given.

All scholarship recipients are judged on fair participation, community service, leadership, academics and application completeness.

Tharp was Somerville's lone scholarship recipient.

Snook had three recipients: Kaitlyn A. Kindt, Sierra R. Sebesta and Colby J. See.

From Caldwell, there were 11 recipients: Marshall G. Armstrong, Kyle L. Cunningham, Corinne N. Dillard, Jessica J. Enrique, Emerson C. Faust, Michaela R. Jaster, Kyle A. Jennings, Kyle A. Pecht, Kaitlyn L. Spacek, Cullen W. Tittle and

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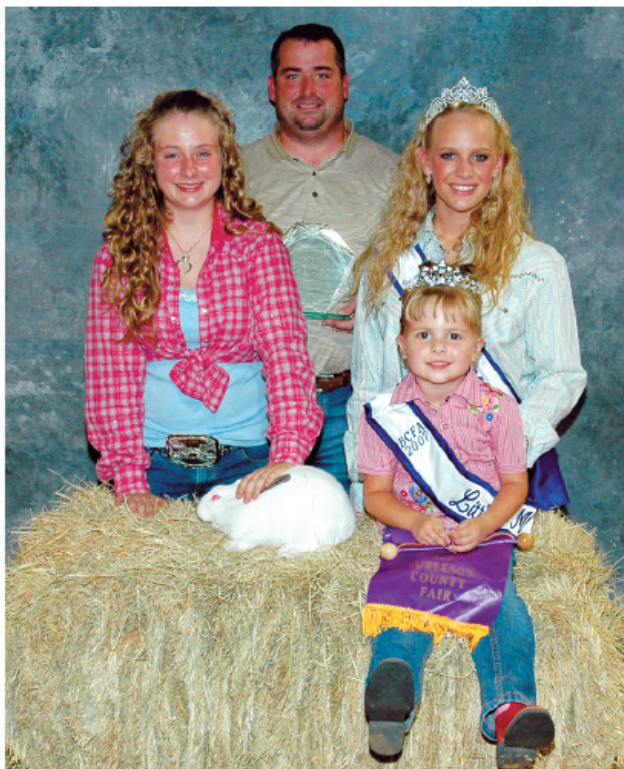
Fair queen contestants also receive scholarship funds.

Each year, the winner of the fair queen contest earns a \$3,000 scholarship. The first runner-up gets a scholarship for \$2,000, and the second runner-up gets a scholarship for \$1,000.

Fair queen contestants receiving 2020 scholarship funds were: Jessica Enrique, 2019 Fair Queen -- \$3000; 2018 Fair Queen First Runner-up -- \$2000, Membership Sales for 2018 -- \$944, Membership Sales 2019 -- \$1548; Michaela Jaster, 2019 Membership Sales, \$498; Kaitlyn Kindt, 2019 Fair Queen Second Runner-up, \$1000, 2019 Membership Sales -- \$1194.

The Burleson County Fair Board of Directors would like to congratulate all recipients of the 2020 scholarships and wish them all good luck in their future areas of study.

Burleson County Fair 2007



GRAND CHAMPION rabbit were exhibited by Haylie Zavodny. It was purchased for \$3,250 by Caldwell Country Chevrolet. Pictured are Glen Horn, Fair Queen Macy Crim and Little Miss Halle Kocian. -- Tribune Photo by Sam Preuss



RESERVE CHAMPION rabbit was exhibited by Jonathan Massey. It was purchased for \$2,800 by Hy Point Energy of Caldwell. Pictured with Massey are Pat Novosad, Fair Queen Macy Crim and Little Miss Halle Kocian. -- Tribune Photo by Sam Preuss



GRAND CHAMPION turkey was exhibited by Jordan Hejl. It was purchased for \$5,000 by Metropolitan Water. Pictured are Scott Carlson and his daughter, Lily Carlson and Little Miss Halle Kocian. -- Tribune Photo by Sam Preuss



RESERVE CHAMPION turkey was exhibited by Jacob Hejl. It was purchased for \$3,600 by Emily Hejl of H&H Ranch. Also pictured are Fair Queen Macy Crim and Little Miss Halle Kocian. -- Tribune Photo by Sam Preuss



FAIR QUEEN contestants and winners are pictured from left following the crowning of fair queen Macy Crim, Caitlin Johnson, Kimber Dowell, and Kayla Brinkman. --Tribune photo by Sam Preuss



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Little Miss Karlee Praesel's 'farewell

To say the past year as Little Miss Burleson County was wonderful would be an understatement.

I had a wonderful time as Little Miss Burleson County this past year and enjoyed meeting new people whom have given me lifelong memories.

My favorite activities over the past year were watching all of the fair exhibitors work so hard and riding in the Grand

Entrance at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

I want to wish all the girls participating in this years Little Miss Contest the best of luck. Remember to do your best, smile big, be confident and have fun!

I would like to thank all the sponsors of the Burleson County Fair Queen and Little Miss Contests for their support over the past year and their continued

support this year.

A special thanks to my Mom and Dad for getting me everywhere I needed to be and encouraging me to do my best.

Thank you to Miss Susan and Miss Theresa and their committee for making this year wonderful.

Last, but not least, the biggest thanks is to my best friend, Jessica Enrique. Thank you for being the best role model and friend this past year. You always made sure my crown was fixed and my lip-gloss was shiny, even if we were in a pen with pigs. You made this adventure so much fun, and I'm so glad I have you to look up to for the rest of my life.

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The 2019 Burleson County Fair surpassed \$1.9 million with total sales of \$1,961,225. The youth livestock sale brought in \$1,009,800, and the commercial sale brought in \$920,500. The youth livestock auction and the commercial heifer sale will be two of the highlights of this year's Burleson County Fair.

Commercial Heifer Sale
The annual Commercial Heifer Sale, is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 25. Anyone who needs high quality replacement heifers is encouraged to attend if they are interested in joining the buyers' list. Heifers will be re-

leased to buyers on Saturday, Sept. 26, from 8-11 a.m. For more information, contact Charles Doonan at (979) 272-9500. The first commercial heifer show and sale was in 1993 and included 21 pens. The junior commercial heifer program began so 4-H and FFA exhibitors could show and sell commercial heifers that were bred and raised by Burleson County beef producers. Local cattlemen were instrumental in developing the program, which exposes exhibitors to the basics of commercial cattle production including selection, purchasing, developing, breeding and marketing of heifers.

Youth Auction
The annual Youth Livestock Auction is set for 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 26. Several types of market animals will be presented, including steers, swine, lambs, goats, broilers, turkeys and rabbits. For more information, contact Dennis Gaas at (979) 272-8873. Due to COVID-19, both the commercial heifer sale and the youth auction will be live and online. Anyone wishing to bid must create an account with "Cattle in Motion" to get a bidder's number and be verified prior to the sales. For more information about how to register to bid, see related story.

Church to provide food sales at BC Fair

Due to COVID-19, there will not be the normal food vendors at the fair this year. However, a local church will be providing food sales as a way to help fund its youth ministry. Caldwell's First Assembly of God will have a booth during all the

fair events, beginning with the Little Miss Contest on Sunday and running through Saturday, Sept. 26. Church members will be selling breakfast tacos in the mornings and hot dogs, hamburgers, nachos and other concessions during the

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