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Burleson County Fair exceeds \$1.6M

Even in an abnormal COVID-19 year, 2020 fair sale totals are good for local youth

The 2020 Burleson County Fair was a success last week -- breaking the \$1.6 million mark with an estimated total sales of \$1,667,000.

The total is down from last year's sales of \$1,961,225. However, just having this year's fair in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic should deem the fair "a success."

This year's estimated sales include:

- * An estimated total of \$709,500 in the youth livestock auction, down from last year's total of \$1,009,800.
- * An estimated total of \$935,150 in the commercial heifer sale, up



POULTRY JUDGE Michael Vader is pictured along with Tyland Lackey and his Turkey Tom.

from last year's total of \$920,550.

* \$22,350 in the cake auction, or baked goods sale, down from last year's record of \$30,875.

Rylan Zboril exhibited the grand champion market steer, which sold to J x J Ranch for \$9,000.

He is the son of Casey Zboril. See FAIR, page 7B



RYLAN ZBORIL EXHIBITED the Grand Champion market steer at this year's Burleson County Fair. He is pictured with Casey Zboril, Ashley Zboril, Ryan Smejkal, Tori Smejkal, 2020 Burleson County Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska and Little Miss Brooklyn Hafernack.

Mayor candidates answer questions

Caldwell will have a contested mayor's race this Nov. 3 involving incumbent Norris McManus and challenger Mike Valigura.

The Burleson County Tribune asked each candidate to participate in an e-mail candidate's forum, and the follow-

ing are their responses to our questions.

Question One: What is the biggest issue the city will face in the next two years and how should the city address it?

McManus said the biggest issue will be See MAYOR, page 2A



NORRIS McMANUS



MIKE VALIGURA

Faust arrested in theft cases

A Caldwell woman indicted on Sept. 16 on two counts of felony theft, one from Burleson County Little League and the other from Caldwell Little Dribblers, was arrested last week.

Crystal Gayle Faust 40, was charged and is now free on bond, said

Caldwell Police Detective Chris Peschel.

Faust was arrested on Sept. 22 in Brazos County on a warrant issued after the indictment, Peschel said.

Faust is accused of theft from the organizations during 2018 and 2019, Peschel said. See FAUST, page 5A

County saving money with mental health deputy

Burleson County has saved \$194,958 since March by using a specially designated sheriff's deputy to help divert those experiencing a mental health crisis away from the criminal justice system to a health care facility.

Shawn Edwards, the sheriff's deputy assigned to the mental health calls, reported that to Burleson County commissioners at their Monday, Sept. 28, meeting.

Edwards said he appreciated the county getting behind the con-

cept and in particular to Sheriff Gene Hermes for his commitment to "make sure that citizens get the help they need or figure out options to get them that help."

Edwards was hired to specialize in mental health calls, a major burden for the sheriff's office in recent years. In some instances, those cases can be diverted away from the criminal justice system to medical professionals -- saving the county money.

Since March, there See COUNTY, page 4A



TAMMY KUBECKA LOOKS over this display in the Burleson County Museum at the county courthouse. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders

Changes planned for archeology week

Burleson County Archeology Week is taking on a different approach this year.

The event is normally the second week of October, but this year, amid COVID-19 concerns, the Burleson County Historical Commission will feature archeology all month long on their Facebook page.

Starting Thursday, Oct. 1, the historical commission will feature a daily post on Facebook with an archeology topic. They will post photos See CHANGE, page 11B

CISD online learners to return to campus

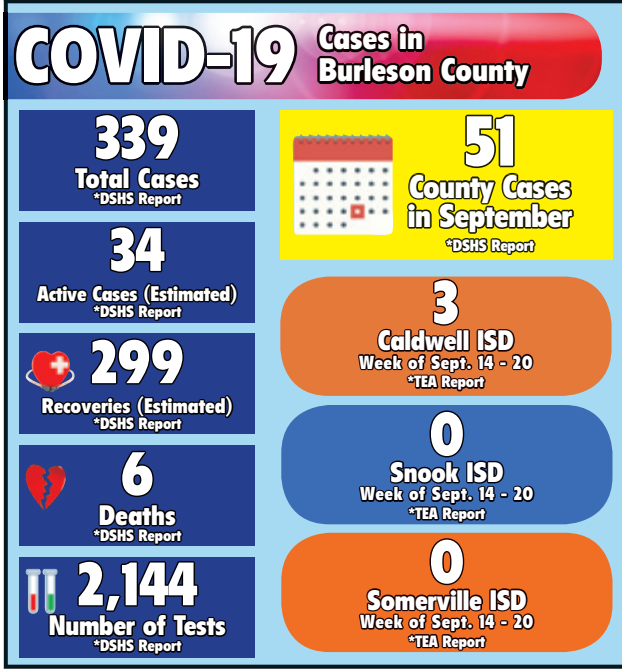
After about six weeks of Caldwell ISD offering both in-person and online instruction, district administration had decided to shut down the online instruction for most students.

During the school board meeting Monday night, Caldwell ISD Superintendent Andrew Peters said the district will continue the online version for those who have health issues which may prevent

them from attending in-person during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Peters said about 60 percent of the online students are failing at least one class and those failing will be required to attend on-campus classes beginning Monday -- the beginning of the second six weeks.

In a letter the district will be sending to parents of remote learners, See CISD, page 11B



Singlewide trailer destroyed by blaze

A fire destroyed a singlewide trailer off County Road 319 on Friday morning, Sept. 25, and Caldwell, Cade Lake and Deannville firefighters responded.

The cause of the fire is unknown, although no foul play is suspected, said Caldwell Fire Chief David Pevehouse. Pevehouse said a candle burning in one of the rooms is a possibility.

No one was inside when the fire erupted,

and there were no injuries, Pevehouse said.

Firefighters were toned at 8:24 a.m. to the Elena Garza property at 8453 County Road 319 and found the trailer fully engulfed as they arrived.

Pevehouse said one of Mrs. Garza's daughters owned the trailer and another daughter had been doing some work on the inside and had been there earlier that

See FIRE, page 4A

Snook City Council approves budget for 2020-21 fiscal year

The Snook City Council has approved a \$608,510 budget for 2020-21, up from \$453,296 last year.

The city council approved that budget at

its Monday, Sept. 28, meeting.

The increase is due to a bond payment that will be due for the city's new wastewater treatment plant, city secretary Tammi Bryan said after the meeting.

The city is budgeting \$629,820 in total rev-

enue, up from \$454,450 last year due to an increase in water and sewer rates needed for the wastewater treatment plant.

Water rates for zero to 4,000 gallons went from a base rate of \$29 to \$33.75. The previous See COUNCIL, page 10A



KATHY DILLON OF College Station is pictured with these masks and wreaths at the weekly Farmers Market on Saturday, Sept. 26, in downtown Caldwell. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders



MAYOR

FROM PAGE ONE

growth. “Caldwell is primed for growth. We want to make sure that we grow the right way. In order to do that, we need a plan,” McManus said. “The city has kicked off a comprehensive plan in conjunction with Texas A&M. We are currently gathering information and engaging the public for the comprehensive plan.

The end result will help map the future growth of Caldwell for the next 20 years. This will allow us to plan appropriately for future infrastructure and services.” Valigura said “creating jobs is the most challenging obstacle that the city will have to face.” “Not only has the coronavirus pandemic affected the job market, but jobs in the city limits have been

declining for the past six years,” Valigura said. “The oil industry is down right now and may not rebound for quite a while. Caldwell should pursue new industry and retail aggressively in order to keep the unemployment rate below the national average.” Question Two: What are your street and drainage priorities for the next two years? A. List the projects where you feel there is

greatest need and that you would support as priorities. Valigura said streets and drainage are top priorities. “I would like to keep the streets and drainage on a continuous maintenance cycle. I will have to make sure that we are researching proper solutions,” Valigura said. “Since I have not been involved with the past proposals, I will have to take a boots on the ground

approach. I will only make these kinds of decisions after much research and advice from professionals that work in this city.” McManus said “we want to continue working on our capital improvement projects.”

“Street priorities are Kleb Street along with Meadowbrook as well as Old San Antonio Road (OSR),” McManus said. “The new Gradall the city purchased, we have been cutting drainage ditches to ensure proper drainage on the west side of Caldwell. We will continue drainage work across the city. The city is in the process of applying for a General Land Office grant that would allow us to make major drainage upgrades as well as some street reconstruction.”

Question Three: What would be the city’s top priority project for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application in the next funding cycle?

McManus said “It is unlikely that the city would be funded in the next CDBG cycle as we have been awarded in the last two cycles. However, if awarded, the city would continue to chip away at some of the utility projects that we have on the books.”

Valigura said “from what I understand, this grant is limited to sewer and water upgrades or improvements.”

“The program has a two-year funding cycle. Right now, no application is going out because the Texas Department of Agriculture is rewriting the rules,” Valigura said. “The guidelines will be ready by November at the earliest. So, a new application deadline would be in February. The city is working on a Hazard Mitigation Grant for new lift stations and replacing old sewer lines. I will work diligently with staff and the city council on current projects and future projects.”

Question Four: What should be the city’s economic development priorities in the next two years? Both were asked what kind of businesses we should bring to the city and what kind of economic incentives we should offer.

Valigura said the city should work on a comprehensive plan for smart growth that involves the school district, the hospital district and the county.

“All entities need to be involved. From my business background and studies at the University of Texas, I have learned that any economic development and progress automatically affects all,” Valigura said. “As smart growth occurs, you will need cooperation and assistance from all of the key players in the economy as a whole (city, county, school, hospital).”

Valigura also said he is pro-business and would work to bring jobs and help the economy thrive. Also, Caldwell has been a little stagnant in recruiting new businesses, and “the town’s track record with industries that want to locate here is not very good.”

“Recently, the city

missed an opportunity to have over 100 new well-paying jobs. They moved to Bryan instead. I won’t let that happen,” he said.

Regarding economic incentives, Valigura said they are needed as available.

“Some missed opportunities had nothing to do with incentives and everything to do with needed infrastructure,” Valigura said. “I will not greet every new business with open arms, but I will do everything in my power to recruit and hold onto ones that the city needs. So the incentives should be relevant to new business and how important that entity will be to our community.”

McManus said “we need to continue to take advantage of our proximity to Bryan-College Station as well as the large metro areas.”

“We need to continue to have diversity among our businesses,” McManus said.

“Our sales tax figures are running just above even with last year which says a lot considering the impacts of COVID. City staff is currently working on a comprehensive incentive program that should include property tax abatement and 380 agreement, among others.”

Question Five: Are you planning any changes in the next two years regarding city personnel, budgeting, equipment or other needs?

McManus said “we will have to see how quickly our city grows.”

“We need to make sure our employees can keep up a high level of service as growth occurs,” McManus said. “We want to make sure the employees have the right equipment they need to perform their duties. We are specifically working to upgrade our police fleet and public works equipment. The employees are our biggest asset, and we should take care of them.”

Valigura said “I do not have any plans to make personnel changes.”

“Equipment, supplies and maintenance needs should be purchased as needed, but I would like to see them listed in the city budget,” Valigura said. “I intend to dig deep into the city budget to make sure that your tax money is being spent wisely. Is the city charging too much for city services? Are all expenditures accounted for and listed in the budget? Are major projects listed as such and how are they being paid for? This is your city, and you have a right to know. Expect more!”

Snook church plans annual barbecue

Snook Brethren Church will hold their annual barbecue from 5-7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 3, at the church, located at 9882 F.M. 2155.

Drive-through plate pick up will be available.

The plate will include barbecue and all the trimmings.

Freewill donations will be accepted.

...a Burleson County Fair to Remember!

2020 has definitely been a year to remember. From COVID-19, to masks, to cancellations...this year has had its ups and downs. For me, this was definitely a fair to remember! The journey of running for fair queen has not been easy, but I could not have finished this journey without the following people. It has been an honor representing Snook 4-H, Snook FFA, SPJST Lodge #9 Snook and the Snook Lions Club.

Thank you for turning ME into a leader. I would not be the person I am today without these organizations.

I would like to thank my parents, Justin and Rebekah Hruska, along with my two brothers (J. Beaux and Jase) for supporting me, pushing me and standing by me over the past five months. I would like to thank my BIG support system - these individuals helped with designing and decorating my float: John See, Jr., Dorothy See, Randy See, John See, III, Carlee See, Natalee See, Colby See, William See, Caleb See, Keith Scarmardo, Brooke Weise, Zach Weise, Efrain Flores, Jeremy Kovar and Rachel Heater. I love each of you and I am so thankful that you gave hours of your time to help make my float all we dreamt it would be; especially that motorized ferris wheel! We had the best time designing and decorating this 32-foot trailer. Thank you to the Russell Bentke family for allowing us to use the trailer and a HUGE thank you to the guys at Direct Marketing for allowing us to build the float in their facilities.

I would like to thank the countless businesses and individuals for purchasing fair memberships from me. The most positive outcome of COVID was the support I received from so many people in Burleson County. With uncertainty of “a fair,” to cancellation of entertainment and the carnival – people continued to purchase memberships, support me, and showed that they care. Your generous support brings me one step closer to my future education goals and my dream of becoming a nurse.

I would also like to thank Mrs. Dianne Jaster for taking time to help with my speech and stage presentation. Thank you for believing in me and encouraging me to be more confident. You helped transform a timid, shy individual into a confident, poised young lady! THANK YOU!

A HUGE thank you to Little Miss Brooklyn Hafernicks and her family for the wonderful week of getting to know one another and smiling through a thousand pictures together. I look forward to our reign as BCFA Fair Queen and Little Miss over the next year!

I would also like to thank the Burleson County Fair Association for all they have done to ensure we had a fair during this pandemic. Mrs. Kim Giesenschlag and Mrs. Tammi Skrhak were wonderful directors and I appreciate your leadership and guidance throughout the fair queen process.

To say that this was...a Burleson County Fair to Remember... is an understatement. I am truly blessed with supportive family and friends and I cannot wait to serve as an ambassador for our county and fair association. I will do my best to be a role model for our youth and lead every day with integrity. Thank you for this opportunity to be the 2020 Burleson County Fair Queen. Thanks, and God Bless!

Kyleigh Hruska

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Somerville city candidates address issues in forum

Nine candidates are running for Somerville City Council in the Nov. 3 election, and four of them recently participated in a Burlington County Tribune e-mail candidate forum.

The candidates are running for three seats now held by Skipper Murray, Jeff Schoppe, and interim council member Deonna Moses, who was recently appointed to fill the seat held by Shelly Gotte, who recently resigned.

Murray is not seeking re-election, and Schoppe and Moses are running.

Those participating included Lucinda Murphy, Carol Freeman, Fred Elloitt and Moses.

Erik Kline, Amanda Flencher, Barbara DeBolt, Kay Cooper Moravec and Schoppe did not participate.

Question One was: What is the biggest issue the city will face in the next two years and how should the city council address it?

Murphy emphasized streets -- "all 22 and a half of them."

"It would serve the city and council well to visit the comprehensive street and drainage plan that was asked for by council, submitted and approved by same," Murphy said. "I know about the plan as I invested my time to work on the committee. The work has been done. It is time to implement the plan. The city is in a good financial place to tackle this project."

Freeman said "the biggest issue is growth."

"We are unable to attract people and/or businesses to the city because of the deteriorated infrastructure," Freeman said. "The streets are in dire need of repair as is the drainage. And, most importantly, we have no quality housing available. We must be able to attract people and business to our city."

Moses said "infrastructure and growth."

"Be open to change, look out for each other and work to solve problems together," Moses said.

Elliot said "street repairs and qualified employees for the maintenance and police department."

Question Two: What, if anything, do you want to change in Somerville city government?

Elliot said the city has four maintenance workers with limited licenses and a two-year contract for waste and water "with no plans on taking this back under the city's control."

"One worker is leaving in a couple of months, another next year," Elliot said. "The city can't pay enough to get workers, the same with the police department. We need to rim some positions at city

hall." Moses said "hopefully with this election there is a great representation of our town, so that all issues can be covered and a fair resolution reached as each issue arises."

Freeman said if the city is serious about change, "then we have to go through uncomfortable situations."

"We need to stop trying to dodge the process. It is the only way to grow," Freeman said. "We need council members who have a vision for Somerville and are willing to put in the time and effort and work necessary to lead."

Freeman said it is time to vote out some aldermen and replace them "with forward thinking people, people with a vision for Somerville."

Murphy said the city needs an aggressive plan to collect delinquent property taxes.

"Last year, about this time, two-thirds of property owners had not paid their taxes," Murphy said.

The city is in dire need of leadership, she said. "Council, by its very nature, is limited in what it can do especially when elected members do not do their due diligence and neglect to read their detailed notes and information. To be on the council requires dedication and work to be effective."

She also suggested taking a look at salaries at city hall and discrepancies that may exist overall.

The city should also take a look at the police department and public works funding, she said.

"These should be priorities. The city has the funds to do this. The police building is in need of a new roof. Public works is short staffed," Murphy said.

Public works personnel should be given the opportunity to get certifications needed, so they can do all of the work needed instead of contracting it out, she said. The head of public works should be given a title and paid in line with what some city hall employees are paid, she said.

She also suggests that the community come together annually for a benefit for the police department, similar to the one for the fire department.

"Any volunteers to head it up?" she asked.

Question 3: Do you support the bond issue and, if so, why?

Question 4: If you do not support it, what is your solution for the city's street and drainage issues?

Moses said she supports the bond issue.

"I feel like we as a city have researched and discussed, but no resolution. It is time to take action and to fix



LUCINDA MURPHY the streets and drainage," Moses said.

Freeman said she does not support it.

"The bond issue will be inadequate. At this rate, the street repairs will take years to complete," Freeman said.

"I sat on the streets and drainage committee, and every street in Somerville has some kind of issue and requires some kind of attention. We need to hit the street repairs hard and fast to make any kind of difference. The report as written previously by the streets and drainage committee should be acted on."

Elliot said he supports the bond issue.

"For some reason the city council has refused for years to advertise the lake. Denying the city of revenue, depending on the citizens to carry the budget," Elliot said. "Now interest rates are low. If we want our streets repaired, this is the only way at this time."

Elliot also added that he headed the drainage committee, and 80 percent of his recommendations are normal duties that the maintenance department should be doing.

"I think some of us can remember the maintenance department clearing the land across 36 from Sunny Mart. They should be doing the same to Pazzard Park," he said.

Also, clogged vegetation in a drainage ditch on Avenue A by Dairy Queen remains a problem that must be addressed, he said.

"We do need a plan for future drainage problems," Elliot said.

Murphy said she does not support the bond issue because the \$1.5 million is only for Eighth Street and Memory Lane and Sixth and Seventh surrounding Towne Center.

"This is not a serious effort, and how many of us live here," Murphy said.

Murphy said the solution is to pull out the comprehensive street and drainage plan approved last December by the council.

"The plan called for the issuance of \$5 million certificates of obligation which was not subject to a vote. I cannot stress this enough," Murphy said. "The city is in a sound financial position to undertake this needed project."

All were also asked



CAROL FREEMAN

what should be the city's top priority project for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application in the next funding cycle.

Elliot said the grant should be used "to replace the water and sewer lines down Eighth Street and the other streets to offset the bonds."

Murphy said she wanted to do research on this to make an informed statement.

"The new council members should be involved in this and be part of a visions and goals workshop for Somerville before a decision is made," Murphy said.

Moses said funds "should go towards improvements for our town, such as water, sewer and street paving."

Freeman suggested a town hall meeting, and "let the citizens give us their ideas."

Also, a committee would be formed to perform its due diligence, Freeman said.

Freeman said there have been burdensome issues with some grants, and "I would want to give this matter the attention it deserves."

Finally, all were asked if they supported a recent petition calling for recall of Mayor Michael Bradford and their opinion of the petition.

Freeman said she did not support it. The petition stated that the mayor had been disrespectful to city officials and citizens.

"If in fact, he disrespected a city employee or employees, which I doubt, that employee or employees had an obligation and an avenue to address this matter with the city," Freeman said. "If that employee or employees chose this forum to air his/her grievances, then I would take immediate action to discipline and/or discharge said employees. This is completely the wrong forum."

Freeman said if someone has a problem with someone, they should talk it through with them.

Murphy said she also did not support the petition, which she said was "something that was very sad for me personally as I know the mayor and his family better than those who signed."

"I was saddened because the signers were people I know, went to school with, my neighbors, people I break bread with and people who attend the church where I attend," Murphy said.

Some are getting their information from Facebook and rumors and have hardly ever or never attended a council meeting or voted in elections, she said.

Murphy said the city is better than this, and



DEONNA MOSES

"we have to believe this to be able to move Somerville forward."

Moses said she did support the petition.

"We need to be com-



FRED ELLIOTT

ing together as a small community, not being continuously torn down and apart," Moses said.

Elliot did not respond to that question.

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Man arrested in burglary case

A Somerville man was arrested by Caldwell Police Cpl. Charles Sleeth on Monday, Sept. 21, on felony burglary warrants issued by the Burleson County Sheriff's Office.

Jeffery Hall, 31, was charged with felony burglary of a habitation and felony burglary of a building in Burleson County, according to the sheriff's office.

In unrelated cases, Hall was also charged with felony criminal mischief, misdemeanor criminal mischief and possession of a controlled substance in Penalty Group 1, between 1 and 4 grams in other counties, the sheriff's office said.

Hall was released from Burleson County custody on \$70,000 bond for all charges, according to the Burleson County Sheriff's

Office.

Investigator Caleb Stephens arrived at a property on Big Creek Drive on Wednesday, June 17, in Somerville to recover stolen property, according to a probable cause statement.

The owner of the property gave consent for a search and pointed out items that he claimed to have stolen from various Somerville area locations, the statement said.

The man showed Stephens a red metal gas can, a red Honda Generator and a blue Hitachi air compressor he said he had taken from a shed on Lakeview Drive, the statement said.

He also showed Stephens a brass chandelier and a silver tea set he said he'd taken from a mobile home on Oak Ridge, according to the statement.

FAUST

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schel said Faust served as treasurer of both organizations.

According to a police report by Caldwell Police Cpl. Charles Sleeth, Little League records showed that there was \$10,616 missing in 2018 and \$5,160 missing in 2019.

Their records showed not one cash deposit was made in 2018, the report stated.

The missing money was from cash registrations and concession proceeds, Peschel said.

The report also stated that a three-ring binder was missing from 2019 that had pre-made sheets to keep up with the profit in the concession stand that would have been signed and counted by both the concession stand worker and the treasurer.

Regarding Little

Dribblers, their records showed that \$2,635 was taken in at the 2018 registration, but only \$845 was deposited, leaving \$1,790 in cash missing, according to the report.

In 2019, the records showed \$1,900 collected at registration and only \$525 deposited, leaving \$1,375 missing, according to the report.

Sleeth's report stated that police subpoenaed all bank records and executed a search warrant but were unable to find the three-ring binder with the documentation it contained.

Peschel said police forwarded the case to the Burleson County Attorney's Office, and the case was presented to the Burleson County Grand Jury.

Police were also assisted by an FBI forensic accountant during the investigation, Peschel said.

Faust could not be reached for comment.

Sheriff Gene Hermes's Report

Monday, Sept. 21

Deputy Loeblein responded to livestock on F.M. 2039, the roadway was cleared. Deputy Loeblein responded to livestock on F.M. 2000, the roadway was cleared. Deputy Elswood made citizen contact on F.M. 60 W. and gave a courtesy ride. Deputy Garza responded to a reckless driver on County Road 339, information was taken. Deputies Elswood and Garza responded to an assault on Maple Drive.

Tuesday, Sept. 22

Deputy Strouth responded to criminal mischief on County Road 411, an incident report was taken. Trooper Gilliam and Deputy Elswood responded to livestock on F.M. 60 S., the roadway was cleared. Deputy Garza responded to a disturbance on F.M. 2155, it was a civil matter. Deputy Elswood responded to an assault on Sixth Street.

Wednesday, Sept. 23

Deputy Burkhalter performed traffic control on County Road 300. Sgt. Tillery responded to an alarm at a residence on Brazos Way, the building was secure. Sgt. Tillery and Deputy Edwards responded to a disturbance on F.M. 166, advice was given. Deputy Burkhalter performed traffic control on County Road 307. Deputy Cheatham responded to a reckless driver on State Highway 36 N.

Thursday, Sept. 24

Sgt. Tillery responded as back up to suspicious activity on Taylor Road. Sgt. Tillery responded to livestock on F.M. 60 W., the roadway was cleared. Deputy Burkhalter performed traffic control on County Road 307. Trooper Reynolds, Sgt. Tillery and Deputy Cheatham responded a disturbance on E. Lois Lane, an accident report was taken.

Friday, Sept. 25

Deputy Burkhalter responded to livestock on F.M. 60 W., the roadway was cleared. Troopers Reynolds, Rabun and Blevins responded to a

minor accident on F.M. 60 W. Deputy Strouth took an incident report on a complaint in the lobby. Deputy Strouth responded to a reckless driver on Gaywood Lane, nothing was located. Deputies Elswood and Garza responded to a burglary in progress on Private Road 4032, it was a false alarm.

Saturday, Sept. 26

Deputy Strouth responded to a suspicious person on County Road 378, nothing was located. Deputy Strouth responded to a reckless driver on State Highway 36 S., nothing was located. Deputy Strouth responded to a suspicious vehicle on Mallard Drive, a warning was given. Deputies Strouth and Elswood responded to livestock on State Highway 21 E., nothing was located. Deputy Elswood responded to a fight on N. Shaw Street.

Sunday, Sept. 27

Deputies Strouth and Elswood responded to a burglary investigation on Valley Turn, an offense report was taken. Deputy Strouth responded to a suspicious person on F.M., 2000, a citation was given. Deputy Elswood responded to livestock on F.M. 166, the roadway was cleared. Deputy Elswood responded to a road hazard on State Highway 21 E., the roadway was cleared. Deputy Garza responded to a dispute on Welch Park Road, it was a civil matter.

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Traffic stop leads to drug arrest

A 21-year-old Manor woman was arrested on Saturday, Sept. 26, by DPS Trooper Matthew Blevins during a traffic stop on State Highway 21.

Terra Nicole Watts was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, misdemeanor possession of marijuana, less than 2 ounces, possession of a controlled substance in Penalty Group 2, more than 2 ounces, and felony tampering with physical evidence, according to the arrest affidavit.

Watts was released from Burleson County custody on \$37,500, according to the Burleson County Sheriff's Office.

Blevins was on routine patrol when he observed a black Mustang traveling on State Highway 21 without a front license plate, the affidavit said.

He initiated a traffic stop, and he smelled the odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle when he approached the woman driving, according to the affidavit.

Blevins conducted a probable cause search and found the ends of multiple marijuana cigars, a THC vape pen and other marijuana paraphernalia, the affidavit said.

Blevins placed the woman under arrest in the patrol vehicle as he continued the search and when he returned to the patrol vehicle he found her attempting to eat marijuana that she had on her person, the affidavit said.

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Six sentenced in District Court

The following persons were sentenced in 21st Judicial District Court on Monday, Sept. 21, with Judge Carson Campbell presiding.

* Ashlynn Michell Roberts, 25, of Chriesman; forgery financial instrument elderly - third degree felony; entered a plea of guilty and was placed on eight years deferred adjudication probation, ordered to pay restitution, court cost, court appointed attorney fee and a Crime Stoppers fee. Standard conditions of probation including 120 hours of community service restitution, urinalysis and drug/alcohol evaluation and any treatment deemed necessary.

* Michale Keith Polk, 37, of Somerville; unlawful possession of firearm by felon - third degree felony; entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to 10 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Institutional Division probated for five years. He was ordered to pay a \$1,000 fine, court cost, court appointed attorney fee and a Crime Stoppers fee. Standard conditions of probation including 80 hours of community service restitution, urinalysis and drug/alcohol evaluation and any treatment

deemed necessary.

* Travis Dwayne Hudgen, 34, of Caldwell; tamper/fabricate physical evidence with intent to impair - third degree felony; entered a plea of guilty and was placed on three years deferred adjudication probation, ordered to pay a \$1,500 fine, court cost, court appointed attorney fee and a Crime Stoppers fee. Standard conditions of probation including 100 hours of community service restitution, urinalysis and drug/alcohol evaluation and any treatment deemed necessary.

* Ja'Quinton Deun Whatley, 34, of Calvert; burglary of building (two cases)- state jail felony; entered a plea of guilty to each case and was sentenced to 18 months in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-State Jail Division and ordered to pay court cost in each case. He was granted 89 days jail credit in each case.

* Brandon Lee Butts, 26, of Rockdale; attempted unlawful possession of firearm by felon - state jail felony; entered a plea of guilty to the lesser included offense of attempted unlawful possession of firearm by felon, a state jail felony and was

sentenced to one year in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-State Jail Division and ordered to pay court cost. He was granted 129 days jail credit.

The following persons were sentenced in 21st Judicial District Court on Friday, Sept. 18, with Judge Carson Campbell presiding.

* Tabitha Lynn Windom, 30, of Somerville; motion to revoke probation - engaging in organized criminal activity- first degree felony; entered a plea of true to violating the terms and conditions of her probation and that probation was revoked and adjudicated. She was sentenced to 12 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Institutional Division and ordered to pay restitution. She was granted 415 days jail credit.

She was also charged with evading arrest detention with vehicle-third degree felony; entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to 10 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Institutional Division and ordered to pay court cost. She was granted 176 days jail credit. Sentences are running concurrently.

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Exodus 32

Aaron was left in charge while Moses was on the mountain receiving the commandments from God.

When the people saw that Moses did not come down from the mountain for a long time, they grew impatient. They asked Aaron to make them gods who would go before them.

Aaron instructed them to bring the gold earrings the people were wearing. He took the gold and formed it into a golden calf. Aaron then built an altar in front of the calf and called for a festival to the Lord on the following day.

The people sacrificed burnt offering and presented peace offerings. Then they ate and drank and indulged in revelry.

God knew that these people were sacrificing to the idol and not to Him, so he planned to destroy them. Moses intervened on their behalf and God spared them.

When Moses came down from the mountain and questioned Aaron about the calf, Aaron told him that he had thrown the gold jewelry into the fire and out came the calf.

The Lord struck the people with a plague because of what they did with the golden calf.

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This brings us to the conversions of Nicodemus and the Samaritan woman found in 3rd and 4th chapters of John. In the first case, it's the story of a man named Nicodemus who was a despised tax collector who climbed up a tree to try to see Jesus in the throngs of people who surrounded and

were following Him. The second conversion was a Samaritan woman who was looked down upon by the Jews as a half-breed. In the eyes of our Savior, male and female are the same -- and both were saved by two words -- "I believe." The first story takes place in the city of

Jerusalem -- the center of learning, education, sophistication and fashion. The second story is on the outskirts of a small town in the country. Whether you're educated or not, Christ welcomes us into the "kingdom of heaven." Salvation is open to any racial background, religion

and morality levels. The man is named, while the woman is unnamed, so reputation or standing in the community is unimportant in the eyes of God. In the case of the man, Nicodemus says, "Rabbi, we all know you're a teacher straight from God" (John 3:2). But Jesus opens the

conversation with the woman by asking for a drink of water. One stared out religiously-based, while the other wasn't the least bit religious. It doesn't matter to Jesus. All our Savior cares about is our conversion. Nicodemus risked his reputation by being seen with Jesus,

and Jesus risked His reputation by being seen with a Samaritan woman. The important thing was both of them were moved by the spirit of God through Christ's message of salvation. This is the same Gospel message that saves us all! -- Buddy Preuss

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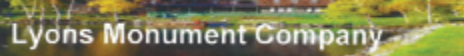
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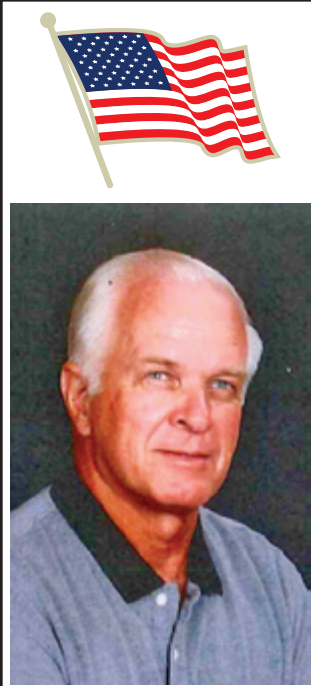
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MIKE FAUST

James Michael (Mike) Faust of the Frenstat community, formerly of College Station, Texas, passed away on September 23, 2020, at the age of 71 after a hard-fought battle of Lewy Body Dementia/Parkinson's Disease. Graveside services were held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, September 26, 2020, at Evangelical United Church of Christ Birch Cemetery, with Pastor Darrin Holub officiating. Visitation was held from 12:00 to 7:00 p.m., Friday, September 25, 2020, at Strickland Funeral Home in Caldwell. Please be aware that we will continue to practice social distancing dur-

ing this time. If you are high-risk, please consider staying home. Masks are required. Mike was born at his home in Deanneville, Texas, on January 24, 1949, to Albert and Evelyn Faust. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Linda, his loving children, Brian and wife, Rhonda, Grant and wife, Crystal; brother, Albert David and wife, Debra; sisters, Kathy Grubbs and husband, James, Bridgette Alford and husband, Bradley, and also the proud Gramps to three grandsons, Layne, Gauge, and Chase. Mike was predeceased by his parents; brother, Travis Faust; adoring granddaughter, Piper Faust; in-laws, Milton and Lucille Koehler and sister-in-law, Renea Macik. He is fondly remembered by nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. He was a gentle man, and never met a stranger. He loved to tell stories of his time in the Army, and his experiences of serving his country in the Vietnam War. On June 8, 1968, at the young age of 19, Mike married his sweetie, Linda Koehler, who was only 18. It was a wonderful 52 years of life spent raising a family and always being side by side supporting and loving each other. Mike was passionate and proud of his sons and grandchildren and enjoyed fishing and hunting

with them and going to all their sporting events. His heart was broken when his granddaughter, Piper, joined other family members in heaven after a rodeo accident. His most important role in life was to be a loving and supportive Daddy and Gramps. Mike retired from Texas A&M University in 2007 and fulfilled a dream of moving to the country and living the "farm boy life" as he was raised. Mike would say – Life is short, make each day count, go fishing and hunting more, love your family and enjoy your friends. You will be missed greatly by your family, but we know you are at peace and we will see you again someday. We love you Daddy, Gramps, My Mike and Sweetie. Thanks to the care of Visiting Angels and Hospice Brazos Valley for all their support. Memorials would be greatly appreciated for Hospice Brazos Valley or to the Lyons Evangelical United Church of Christ. Arrangements by Strickland Funeral Home of Caldwell. Please visit their website at www.stricklandfuneralhomes.com to sign the online register.



JOSEPHINE ARREDONDO

Funeral services for Josephine Arredondo, 93, of Somerville, were held at

10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2020, at St. Ann Catholic Church in Somerville. Burial followed at Oaklawn Cemetery in Somerville. Visitation was held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2020, at Strickland Funeral Home in Somerville. Ms. Arredondo died on September 23, 2020. Josephine was born on Aug. 26, 1927, to Teodoro Arredondo and Jesusa Jaramillo Arredondo. She will be remembered for always taking care of her family, from writing letters and sending baked goods to her brothers in the service

to taking care of her nieces and nephews like they were her own. Family was everything to her, and she passed those values to the younger generations. Josephine was also very active in the church, helping with the Altar Society. She was lovingly known as the "Texaco Lady" to everyone in town. In her off-time Josephine liked to go dancing, listen to music, drink coffee, watch movies and go out to eat. She will be missed dearly by all those who knew her, family members said. She is preceded in death by her parents; six brothers; and four sisters. Josephine is survived by her nephews and nieces, Juan De La Rosa (Mary), Martin De La Rosa (Vanessa), and Rebecca De La Rosa; her great-nephews, Alex De La Rosa, Jesse De La Rosa, Noah De La Rosa, and David Matthew De La Rosa. Pallbearers were Eddie Cruz, Christopher Arredondo, Paul Arredondo, David De La Rosa, and Ernie Arredondo. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Ann's Catholic Church. Arrangements by Strickland Funeral Home of Caldwell. Please visit their website at www.stricklandfuneralhomes.com to sign the online register.



MARY SCHUBERT

Funeral services for Mary Evelin (Ondrasek) Schubert, 87, of Lyons, were held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2020, at Strickland Funeral Home in Somerville. Visitation was held from 5-7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 28, 2020. Burial was held on Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2020, at the Evangelical United Church of Christ cemetery in Lyons, with Brother Gary Sanford officiating. Mrs. Schubert died on Friday, Sept. 25, 2020. Evelin, as she was known to friends and family, was born on Oct. 24, 1932, in Lyons to Jan J. Ondrasek and Frances Surovik Ondrasek.

MYRTLE CONELEY

A graveside service for Myrtle L. Coneley, 85, of Somerville will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 1, 2020, at Smetana Cemetery near Bryan. Visitation will be held from 6-8 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2020, at Strickland Funeral Home in Somerville. Mrs. Coneley died on Sunday, Sept. 27, 2020, in Brenham. Myrtle was born on Nov. 11, 1934, to William W. McWhorter and Helen (Riggs) McWhorter in Anderson.



ROSE VALIGURA

Mass of a Christian Burial for Rose Marie Valigura, 87, of Caldwell, was held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2020, at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Rev. Melvin Dornak as Celebrant. Visitation was held from 5-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2020, at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Caldwell, with a rosary recited at 7 p.m. Mrs. Valigura died on Sunday, Sept. 27, 2020.



CHERIE RAELENE SMITH

Cherie Smith, former resident of Davenport, Iowa, and Texan at heart, approached each day with strength and compassion. Her inherent drive took her many places. She started out in a traditional role, married, devoting her time to having and raising four unique and independent children. Through daily diligent tasks, she amended her situation and established, at this same time, a path towards higher education; and became a Licensed Practicing Nurse. Brave and adventurous, she eventually moved to the state which always called her name. Once in Texas, she demonstrated, once again, her fortitude and perseverance, as she embodied all that is Texas; while enjoying her

After graduating from Somerville High School, she moved to Houston and went to work for AT&T. She married Chester Stone in 1966. After Chester's death and retiring from AT&T, she married Hugo Schubert in 1976 and returned to Lyons. While living in Lyons, she went to work for Texas A&M University. She retired from A&M and spent her retirement years visiting with her family, traveling, working in her yard, and attending plays with family at the local community theatre. She was an active member of her church, Lyons First Baptist, where she served on the kitchen committee, took attendance and collected the Sunday school offerings, and helped with VBS. She was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, Chester Stone; her second husband, Hugo Schubert; her brother and sisters and their spouses, Johnny (Leona) Ondrasek, Frances (Loren) Thomas, Vince Ondrasek, Delphine (Alfred) Oropesa, Lillian (E. C. "Crit") Gaines Jr., Ruth (Tom) Williams, Annie (Wade) Nordan, Robert (Betty) Ondrasek, and Lo-

retta (Hank) Bergman. Evelin is survived by her children, Kristine Schultz, Sandra Martin, Lawrence Stone, and David (Lindy) Stone; her grandchildren, Robert (Laura) Schultz, Anthony Schultz, Daniel (Stacie) Martin, Christopher (Genny) Martin, Scott Martin, Tracy (Jeff) Burnett, Adam Stone, Jason (Kim) Stone, and Katrina (Donald) Whitworth; and many great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews too numerous to list. Pallbearers were Jason Bergman, John Bergman, Lincoln Smith, Wayne Fusion, Skip Reagan, and Christy Beard. Honorary pallbearers were Randal Gaines, Thomas Ondrasek, Eddie Hurst, Charles Robert Ondrasek, and Steven Kelly. Memorial contributions may be made to Lyons First Baptist Church. Arrangements by Strickland Funeral Home of Caldwell. Please visit their website at www.stricklandfuneralhomes.com to sign the online register



der son. Myrtle was a very hard-working woman who could probably outwork any man, family members said. She loved and grew many roses and was a very sweet, loving, and kind person, they said. She was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Willie Norman McWhorter; and her sister, Betty Jean Elkins. Myrtle is survived by her son, Roger Wayne Peterson of Spicewood; her daughter, Doris Lanell McGrew of Houston; her grandchildren, Christina Gazzi, and Sheri McGrew;

her great-grandchildren, Anthony Gazzi, Zachary Gazzi, Sophia Gazzi, and several nieces, nephews and other relatives. Honorary pallbearers will be Mavin Peterson, Eric Peterson, Martin Peterson, Harold Peterson, Allan Peterson and Floyd Peterson. Arrangements by Strickland Funeral Home of Caldwell. Please visit their website at www.stricklandfuneralhomes.com to sign the online register.



Rose Valigura was born on July 15, 1933, in Dime Box to Charlie Frank and Leona Adele (Kaiser) Koudelka. She married the love of her life, David Joe Valigura, and had three loving children. They worked side by side at their own grocery store for 27 years. Rose and David enjoyed fishing and boating on Lake Somerville and hunting arrowheads together as well. She enjoyed keeping their yard immaculate. Rose always loved to spend time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 67 years, David Valigura; her parents, Charles and Leona Koudelka; and her brother, Charles Koudelka. Rose is survived by her sons, Michael Valigura and Mark Valigura and wife, Connie; her daughter, Kathy Kocurek and husband, Steve; her grandchildren, Kimberly Cedilla and

husband, Brandon, Kaylee Vavra and husband, L.B., and Hannah Valigura; her stepgrandchildren, Josh Kocurek, Stephanie Durham and husband, Dustin, and Tyler Kocurek; her great-grandchildren, Kadie Rose Hartman, Jake Cedilla and Paige Vavra; and her stepgreatgrandchildren, Kayleigh Kocurek, Kason Kocurek, and Ellisyn Kocurek. Pallbearers were Charles Koudelka, Larry Zschech, Brandon Cedilla, L.B. Vavra, Cal Allen, and Gary Easter. Honorary pallbearers were the grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Joe Rychlik, Sam Scarmardo, Billy Kornegay, Don Seibert, Kyle Brinkman and Kevin Brinkman. Arrangements by Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home in Caldwell.

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Herdeaz; Raegan and Maverick Smith; KamiRae Terry; and Jacob and Sydney Derendinger and her adoring fiancé, Arnold Micklus of Somerville, Texas. Cherie and Arnold attended St. Mary's Catholic Church in Caldwell, Texas, together. They were planning their wedding ceremony and celebration for this December. Services for her will be held October 9, at 10:00 a.m.; and will be streamed live for those who cannot attend. Contact a family member for live stream details. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Cherie's favorite animal shelter, Dogwood Farms Sanctuary in Troy Mo. Please contact Dogwood: email: dogwoodfarm@dogwoodfarmkennel.com OR Charitable contributions sent by mail to: Dogwood Farm Sanctuary - P.O. Box 53 - Troy, Mo. 63379 Please sign her virtual guest book at SimpleCremation.org; search: Cherie Raelene Smith On-line Obituary OR in your browser type: <https://simplecremation.org/ObituaryDetails.aspx?id=549>; and please, leave a message, upload pictures, share memories. 1947-2020

NOTICE TO BIDDERS OF THE INTENTION OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE TO SEEK BIDS FOR NUISANCE ABATEMENT AND MOWING

The work consists of the abatement of certain nuisances on private property by mowing, cleaning and /or other non-demolition activities in accordance with certain ordinances of the City of Somerville. Bidders are required to bid on mowing and litter pick-up activities, and may bid on clean-up and clearing activities as per the Bid Documents. Sealed bids for furnishing all labor, equipment, materials, supervision and disposal for the Annual Nuisance Abatement Mowing Contract, Project No. NAM-116-0720 shall be received at the City Secretary's office, City Hall, 150 8th Street, Somerville, Texas, 77879, until 2:00 p.m. October 20, 2020, when they shall be opened and read aloud. Bid Documents may be obtained at City Hall, 150 8th Street, Somerville, Texas 77879, (979) 596-1122, starting on October 5, 2020. Copies of the documents may be mailed USPS upon request, or may be sent via express or overnight service at the requestor's expense. There will be an opportunity to attend a pre-bid meeting at the Somerville Senior Center, located at 17510 S.H. 36, Somerville, Texas 77879, at 2:00 p.m. October 9, 2020. At this time, it is assumed that masks and social distancing will be required in the building. Bids shall be submitted in sealed envelopes on the blank forms of proposal furnished in the Bid Document packet, along with all required attachments and copies. The Bids shall be clearly marked on the front of the envelope with the following:

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The Bids shall be valid for a period of no less than sixty (60) days following the opening date for verification of qualifications. More than one contract may be awarded at the discretion of the City. The contract(s) shall be let to the Bidder(s) providing the best overall value to the City. The City may reject any or all Bids.



MARIE TRCALEK CELEBRATES her 90th birthday on Saturday, Sept. 26, with her local friends and family at her home on Fawn Street in Caldwell. Also pictured are John and Rhonda Trcalek and Neva Trcalek. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders



Citizens State Bank recently donated funds to Somerville Area Assistance Ministries (SAAM). Pictured from the left are, Ben Flencher, Dennis Griffin, Carl Cummins [SAAM] and Ruth Cummins [SAAM].

CSB donates funds to SAAM House in Somerville

The Somerville Area Assistance Ministries (SAAM) received a donation on Wednesday, Sept. 23, from the Citizens State Bank of Somerville.

Ben Flencher, Chairman of the Board and Dennis Griffin, Executive Vice President, presented a check at the SAAM Mission Center located at 441 Gun Range Road in Somerville. Receiving the donation on behalf of SAAM was Carl Cummins, President of SAAM Board and Ruth Cummins Executive Director.

In presenting the check Ben Flencher noted that the SAAM Ministry was an asset to the Somerville community and that he and the bank board wanted to say thank you for the mission work carried out in this area.

SAAM has been open to assist those in need during the COVID-19 crisis and continues to provide assistance with food, clothing, utility assistance and other needs. SAAM continues this mission because of the community support in providing resources to the ministry.

SAAM is a ministry of the Somerville Lyons Ministerial Association that provides assistance to those in need. This ministry is supported by area churches and individuals who provide financial support, food, clothing and volunteers.

Services provided include: food, clothing, limited utility support, and other needs. Donations are received on Monday, Wednesday and Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The ministry also operates a thrift store that helps support the ministry's financial needs and its utility support program.

For more information contact SAAM at (979) 596-3155 on Monday, Wednesday or Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids addressed to Mr. James Dever, President, Beaver Creek Water Control & Improvement District No. 1 (BCWCID#1) will be received at the office of Jones & Carter, Inc., 150 Venture Drive, Suite 100, College Station, Texas, 77845, until **10:00 a.m. on Friday, October 16, 2020**, when they will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all plant, labor, material and equipment and performing all work required for the construction of the BCWCID#1 Contract No. 2, Water Plant Nos. 1 and 2, TWDB Project No. 10418, JIC No. B0054-0004-00. Detailed call-in information for the teleconference bid opening will be provided to all plan holders via CivCast in the Additional Notes section. It will be each bidder's responsibility to ensure they receive the call-in details prior to the bid opening.

The work includes constructing two (2) new water plants with crushed limestone access roads, yard piping, 67,000-gallon bolted steel ground storage tanks, pump station buildings, horizontal end-suction pumps, chlorination systems, hydropneumatic pressure tanks, electrical and control equipment, and chain link fencing to serve the Beaver Creek Subdivision in Burleson County, Texas.

Plans, specifications, and bidding documents are available at www.civcastusa.com.

All proposals shall be accompanied by bid guarantee equivalent to five percent (5%) of the bid price (Water Code 17.183) as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute performance and payment bonds within fourteen (14) days after notice of award. If a bid bond is provided, the contractor shall utilize a surety company which is authorized to do business in Texas in accordance with Surety Bonds and Related Instruments, Chapter 3503 of the Insurance Code. A certified or cashier's check on a responsible bank made payable to the Owner may be furnished. Bids without check or bid bond will not be considered. The bid security will be forfeited to the Owner by the bidder as damages as default if the bidder fails to execute and deliver a contract and bonds as required.

The successful bidder must furnish performance and payment bonds upon forms provided in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price from a responsible surety company authorized to do business in the State of Texas and satisfactory to the BCWCID#1.

This contract is contingent upon release of funds from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). Any contract or contracts awarded under this Invitation to Bid is/are expected to be funded in part by a loan or grant from the TWDB. Neither the state of Texas, nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees are or will be a party to this Invitation to Bid or any resulting contract.

Any contract(s) awarded under this Invitation to Bid is/are subject to the United States Iron and Steel (U.S. I&S) requirements of Texas Water Code § 17.183 and/or Texas Government Code, Chapter 2252, Subchapter F, as amended by SB 1289, 85th Legislative Session, as applicable.

A governmental entity may not award a governmental contract to a nonresident bidder unless the nonresident underbids the lowest bid submitted by a responsible resident bidder by an amount that is not less than the amount by which a resident bidder would be required to underbid the nonresident bidder to obtain a comparable contract in the state in which the nonresident's principal place of business is located. A nonresident bidder is a Contractor whose corporate offices or principal place of business is outside of the state of Texas (Source: Texas Government Code, Chapter 2252, Subchapter A, Nonresident Bidders, §2252.002).

ATTENTION: Pursuant to Texas Government Code 2252.908, you must be able to provide BCWCID#1 with a printed, executed and notarized original of a completed Certificate of Interested Parties form (Form 1295) with the bid. Failure to do so will result in BCWCID#1's inability to execute the contract. To complete the disclosure of interested parties form, or for further information, please visit the Texas Ethics Commission's website at <https://www.ethics.state.tx.us>.

BCWCID#1 reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities in bidding. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating prices in the proposal, the BCWCID#1 reserves the right to adopt the prices written in words or to reject the proposal. Bids may be held by BCWCID#1 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 bidders' qualifications prior to the contract award.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves of local conditions and carefully examine the specifications and other documents. Should a bidder find discrepancies in, or omissions from the specifications or documents, or should he question their meaning, he should at once notify Jones & Carter, Inc. and obtain clarification prior to submitting any bid.

There will be a non-mandatory pre-bid meeting held via teleconference at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 6, 2020. Detailed call-in information for the teleconference pre-bid meeting will be provided to all plan holders via CivCast in the Additional Notes section.

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rate of \$2 per 1,000 gallons thereafter is now \$4.05.

For sewer rates, the zero to 1,000-gallon base rate increased from \$32 to \$34.95.

The previous rate of \$2 per thousand gallons thereafter is now \$4.

For the general fund, the city is budgeting \$158,510, down from \$165,062 last year. The budget is down because there are not anticipated major special projects this year, Bryan said after the meeting.

For general fund revenue, they are budgeting \$164,820, down from last year's \$169,450 due to a \$3,500 decrease in franchise and right of way fees and a \$1,000 decrease in property tax revenue, Bryan said.

For the water and sewer fund, the city is budgeting \$450,000, up from last year's \$284,000, due to the bond payment for the wastewater treatment plant.

They are budgeting \$465,000 in water and sewer revenue, up from \$285,000 last year, due to the water-sewer rate increase noted above.

The city is budgeting \$225,708 in debt service.

In other business, the council:

* Agreed to schedule an

Oct. 13 special meeting to approve a MIT-General Land Office (GLO) grant application.

The city is seeking the grant for a still undetermined amount Bryan said after the meeting. It will deal with infiltration and inflow issues in the sewer system and the lift station, man holes, old clay pipes throughout the service area and some drainage issues.

Last month, the council approved Befco Engineering of La Grange as its engineering contractor to an application for up to \$3 million in funding.

The program would provide relief funding for local governments to mitigate losses from Hurricane Harvey and flooding in 2015 and 2016. Cities and counties around the state are applying for funding, which can reach up to \$3 million per entity.

* Were updated by Bryan on the new wastewater treatment plant project.

The exterior walls are now up along with most of the interior walls, Bryan said. No major delays, setbacks or change orders have occurred, and the project completion date is still set for Jan. 21, she said.

* Were updated on the new groundwater storage tank and generator project funded in 2020 from \$275,000 in Texas Commu-

nity Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

Requests For Qualifications (RFQs) for a contractor were published on Sept. 17, and a bid opening is set for Oct. 8.

* Tabled action on the softball restroom/concession facility plan at the softball field.

Using 4B Development funds, the council was considering three options -- a full restroom and concession stand facility, a shell building with a slab and roughed out plumbing with no interior finishes and just a restroom with no concession stand.

The council tabled action because all bids sought were too high, in the \$74,000 range, exceeding the \$50,000 budget they anticipated.

Snook Mayor John See will now see if the Snook School District could contribute some funds, Bryan said. If not, Bryan said the project will not be done.

* Approved a variance to the 25-foot setback requirement in the city's subdivision ordinance for some lots in the cul-de-sac portion of the Grand Lakes Subdivision.

* Approved demolition of an alleged substandard building at Loop F.M. 2155 in Snook without an option to repair because repairs are infeasible.



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City Council candidates address issues

The Nov. 3 Caldwell City Council race for two seats will include two incumbents, Jim Wilde and Jonnie Vic Barnett, and three challengers, Janice Easter, Jason Rhodes and Jessie Enrique.

The candidates recently participated in a Burleson County Tribune e-mail forum. Wilde, Barnett, Easter and Rhodes participated, and Enrique could not be reached for comments.

Question Number One was: What is the biggest issue the city will face in the next two years, and how should the city address it?

Wilde said “of course, complete and move into the new city hall.”

“Also manage new growth on the horizon to keep the core values of Caldwell that we have all cherished and enjoyed for many years,” Wilde said.

Barnett said the COVID virus would be the biggest issue “and will be an issue for at least two years.”

“The city will need to keep up with the virus-related issues surrounding the effects of this pandemic and be able to respond accordingly to the health needs of its citizens,” Barnett said. “Being a smaller, rural community, the city will need to work diligently to assist the citizens with needed health care resources while also working to help strengthen and stabilize the local economy.”

Rhodes said the biggest issue “is preparing for our further growth, while at the same time protecting the historical nature of Caldwell and its Main Street Texas Town image.”

Easter said “hopefully, growth!”

She said she is encouraged by new subdivisions in Caldwell -- by the high school and off North Gray Street.

“That means that the current residents of Caldwell are able to afford the housing with good-paying jobs or would like to search for new businesses (anywhere from retail and food services to construction and factory projects) to come make their business home in Caldwell.”

She also said she would like to see growth downtown, as Main Street president, to see city hall finished and cleaning up the city.

Caldwell has many good assets but if you did not know about them and drove around town “you would keep on driving,” she said.

“I know the code enforcement group has been working hard to enforce guidelines set by the city, but there are many homes, businesses and lots that still need attention.”

Question Two: What are your street and drainage priorities for the next two years and list the projects where you feel there is greatest need and you would support as priorities?

Rhodes said the city’s infrastructure has to

grow “at the same rate that it coincides with the hundreds of new residential structures being currently constructed.”

“The streets, fire, police, trash, water, electrical and waste treatment departments will all need to grow and expand,” Rhodes said. “This means new jobs, more equipment and above all, better pay and benefits for our city workers.”

Easter listed Old San Antonio Road from Gray Street heading west to the end, Banks Street from the red light heading south to the overhead bridge, and any street that makes a first impression on the city of Caldwell.

Barnett said street and drainage issues will continue to be a topic of discussion for years to come.

“The city staff will need to keep the council informed so that proper equipment and resources are readily available for the needed street and drainage repairs,” Barnett said.

“I would continue to support projects that are necessary to protect and improve (if needed) the infrastructure of the city and benefit the citizens of Caldwell,” Barnett said. “We would want to stay focused on the fundamental street and drainage needs of the city.”

Wilde said “we have street and drainage issues we are forever working on.”

“We have already done miles of ditch work with our new Gradall. We are working on a new, more reliable electric source and building a new power grid for our city,” Wilde said. “Our priority list for streets are Kleb, Meadowbrook and OSR, and we are always looking at a new priority list.”

Question Three: What would be the city’s top priority project for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application in the next funding cycle?

Easter said infrastructure -- water, sewer, utilities, road maintenance and improvement.

Barnett said any grants that “would bring better living conditions to the neighborhoods covered under the grant.”

Wilde said to “upgrade our sewer and water systems to accommodate new growth.”

Rhodes said a grant should “provide Caldwell with the necessary financial resources for code enforcement to demolish dangerous, abandoned buildings and to clean up eyesores we all see driving through town.”

“It could also help in upgrading improvements to water, sewer, sidewalks, street paving (in all parts of town), and other utilities, as well,” Rhodes said.

Question Four: What should be the city’s economic development priorities in the next two years? A. What kinds of businesses should we be bringing to the city? B. What kind of economic incentives we should offer?

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Barnett said the priorities would be to “recruit a stable, small to medium sized, clean air business that would strengthen the local economy.”

“This type of development would encourage stability and growth in Caldwell,” Barnett said.

“Any economic incentives offered should be recoverable after a startup, and/or specific amount of time. By doing so, we would incentivize business development and would also be protecting and growing our city resources. Further economic incentives offered should be in line with and reflect the city’s economic objectives,” Barnett said.

Wilde said his priorities are to “attract more manufacturing and retail business to bring more jobs to Caldwell and make shopping in Caldwell more competitive.”

“We need to install economic incentives equal to or better than cities of our own size,” Wilde said.

Rhodes said he would “love to see us entice new business to Caldwell -- business that creates better paying jobs.”

“A three-year minimum tax break, or more, should be offered to bring in new businesses. We also need to protect our current small businesses that are already here,” Rhodes said. “We need more rental property, such as mid-level priced apartments and other rental properties to house these workers in the event they choose not to buy a home right away. Personally, I would love to see us have an HEB, maybe a Taco Bell, or other new eateries.”

Easter said her top economic development priorities are finishing city hall, recruiting business and creating jobs.

“Where would Caldwell be without the oilfield?” she asked.

Businesses that would be the most beneficial would be anything that provides a decent wage for an honest day’s hard work, she said.

“As referenced in the Burleson County Tribune, an injection molding plant was planning on establishing their roots here -- something that would provide 100-plus jobs,” Easter said. “The company wanting to establish a business here actually faced roadblocks that prevented them from coming. I understand they chose to take their business to Bryan. It appeared that the city put up more obstacles than welcome signs. That cannot happen again!”

As a city, we must encourage, not discourage, businesses from moving to Caldwell. We need to do everything possible to get them here,” Easter said.

Easter said the economic incentives should be paying the first three months utility bills, and, if they are renting a downtown facility, pay three months of their

rent.

Question Five: Are you planning any changes in the next two years regarding city personnel, budgeting, equipment or other needs?

Wilde said “we are always looking at more efficient ways to manage our city.”

“We never stop trying to keep operating costs down with the best personnel and equipment to do the job,” Wilde said.

Easter said she planned no city personnel changes at this time.

For budgeting, “we will have to see city budget documents to make any thought-out decisions.”

For equipment, “hopefully all of the city’s equipment is up to safety code and in working order.” “The city does not need to be using any equipment that would possibly cause injury or death to a city employee,” Easter said.

Easter also stressed communication.

“The information provided at an open city council meeting is very vague to non-existent. The council receives multiple reports from various entities, and none of it is shared with the citizens,” Easter said. “The council members simply look over the documents and ‘accept them.’ The information should be made available on a large screen so every citizen is made aware of activities, actions, changes, etc., that the city is doing -- most importantly the city hall updates.”

Barnett said he feels the city employees are dedicated to their jobs,

“I do not see any massive changes to the staff or field employees are needed at this time. I also do not see any need for major changes to the budget or equipment,” Barnett said.

“In today’s world, we are faced with economic issues and a pandemic which does create a level of uncertainty,” Barnett said. “However, by prioritizing, adapting and maintaining a conservative approach to budgeting, the City of Caldwell and will maintain a long-term vision of success for the city.”

Rhodes said “in the new era we live in, it is a priority to protect our first responders and ensure that they have the best pay, training and equipment that can be provided so they can be successful in carrying out their difficult and dangerous tasks, which directly affects the life, health and safety of us all. This will always be a top priority with me.”

Rhodes said he will vote yes on all measures that improve and increase city workers’ pay and benefits, “along with ensuring they have the necessary equipment to better serve the citizens of Caldwell.”

“The city’s budget needs to reflect the growth, with adjustments for the purchases that will be needed for new equipment and employee pays and benefits.”



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I would also like to thank **Donnie Victorick, Masfajitas, Citizens State Bank and G-Pa, Curtis Thompson** for bidding on my cake.

Thank you all for your continued support for all the exhibitors at the 2020 Burleson County Fair.

Love, Brylee Chmelar

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May God bless you for your generosity...See y'all next year!



Kevin & Lucy Ferrell

County fair 2020 baked goods results announced

The 2020 Burleson County Fair baked goods contest result were announced on Tuesday, Sept. 15.

In the junior division:

- * Quick Bread: Barrett Warren, first place, Apple Streusel Coffee Cake; Brylee Chmellar, second, Grandma's Banana Bread; Kinsley Zwerne-mann, third, Memoo's Pistachio Bread.
- * Yeast Bread: Aubrey Lockhart, first, Cinnamon

Rolls; Lydia Hicks, second, Cinnamon Almond Sourdough Bread.

- * Cakes: Brylee Chmellar, first, Banana Bundt Cake with Brown Sugar Glaze; Kierstyn Macik, second, Cookies and Cream Cake; Abigail Volger, third, Banana Cake.
- * Cookies: Lane Albright, first, Special Oatmeal Chocolate Chip Cookies; Jessy Boykin, second, The Best One Bowl Brownies; Jaelee Landolt, third, Chew Chocolate Chip Cookies.
- * Candy: Bailen Kocurek, first, Reese's Pieces Peanut Butter Truffle; Charlee Sebesta, second, Golden Fudge; Alexa Johnson, third, Sea Glass Candy.
- * Pies: Lydia Hicks, first, Brown Crunch Pie; Bailen Kocurek, second, Pecan Pie; Ava Drew, third, Caramel Apple Pie.

In the intermediate division:

- * Quick Bread: Ava Fry, first place, Poached Pear Gingerbread; Wyatt Beasley, second, Blueberry Muffin Bread; Brycen Suehs, third, Pecan Bread Squares.
- * Yeast Bread: Adeline Hicks, first, Sourdough Rosemary Garlic Bread; Jensen Weaver, second, White Bread.
- * Cakes: Coy Becka, first, Strawberry Cake; Kimber Sebesta, second, Oatmeal Cake; Brett Withem, third, Oatmeal Cake.
- * Cookies: Wyatt Beasley, first, Texas Sheet Cake Cookies; Adeline Hicks, second, Snickers Cookie Bars; Sarah Bonial, third, Bar Cookies.
- * Candy: Cayle Canon, first, Double Decker Fudge; Brycen Suehs, second, Polar Bear Paws; Jensen Weaver, third, Toffee.
- * Pies: Tanna Boykin, first, Apple Crumb Pie; Kylie Neuendorff, second, Pecan Pie; Canyon Surovik, third, Pecan Pie with Chocolate Drizzle.

In the seniors division:

- * Quick Bread: Joy Baldwin, first place, Blueberry Lemon Bread; Paige Odenbach, second, Zucchini Bread; Garrett Tittle, third, Pistachio Bread.
- * Yeast Bread: Joy Baldwin, first, Strawberry

Cinnamon Rolls; Macy Narro, second, Cranberry Pecan Kolache Roll; Cheyenne Grassl, third, Cinnamon Rolls.

- * Cakes: Cooper Odenbach, first, Somoa Bundt Cake; Hannah Blaha, second, Southern Pecan Praline Cake; Delayni Drgac, third, Fresh Apple Cake.
- * Cookies: Macy Narro, first, Dewberry Southern Bars; Garrett Tittle, second, German Chocolate Cake Cookies; Tyland Lackey, third, Turtle Fudge Chocolate Cookies.
- * Candy: Tess Homeyer, first, Divinity; Jaycie Brisco, second, Pecan Pie Truffles; Hannah Blaha, third, Pecan Toffee.
- * Pies: Weston Beasley, first, Civil War Oatmeal Pie; Cheyenne Graasl, second, Pecan Pie; Tyland Lackey, third, Pecan Pie.

In the adults division:

- * Quick Bread: Alisa Hairston, first place, Banana Nut Bread; Jalane Wiederhold, second, Pumpkin Bread.
- * Cookies: Alisa Hairston, first, Triple Chocolate Cranberry Oatmeal Cookies.
- * Candy: Jalane Wiederhold, first, Turtles.
- * Pies: Alisa Hairston, first, Pecan Pie.

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Snook offense rolls in 42-14 victory

Bluejays improve to 2-0 in district play

The Snook Bluejays' offense rolled for 490 total yards in a 42-14 home win over Iola last Friday, giving them a 2-0 district start.

Snook (2-3 overall), heads into a Friday showdown at Burton with a chance to be the first Bluejay team to beat the Panthers.

The Bluejays, rushing for 307 yards and passing for 183, built a 16-0 halftime lead and extended it to 30-6 in the third and never looked back.

David Davila scored four touchdowns, two rushing, one receiving and with one interception returned for a TD. And quarterback Garrett Lero also had a strong night with 183 passing yards, 9-18 with one interception,

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SNOOK LINEBACKER DAVID Davila tries to break up a pass play with Iola receiver Case Creamer during Snook's district home win over Iola last Friday night. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday



SNOOK'S PAOLA ARREDONDO placed 11th at the Cameron Cross Country Invitational #2 last Saturday, Sept. 26, with a time of 15:27.

Lady Hornet XC wins Cameron #1

With social distancing in place, the Cameron Cross Country Invitational was divided into two meets -- Number 1, starting at 8:30 a.m., and Number 2, starting at 10 a.m.

And, the Lady Hornets won the girls title for the Number 1 2-mile race with a score of 30 points -- 48 points better than Milano and St. Dominic Savio Catholic, each with 78.

Daisha Denson was the top runner for the Lady Hornets, finishing fourth with a time of 14:01.9.

Other runners for Caldwell included: Morgan Becka, fifth, 14:05.8; Kelly Urbanovsky, eighth, 14:31.1; Ryan Ferguson, 10th, 14:51.7; Caitlyn Faust, 11th, 14:59.2; Kaitlyn Hargraves, 13th, 15:13.0; Cadie Coston, 25th, 16:52.5.

Kadance Koenig of Milano won the girls title for the 8:30 a.m. meet with a time of 13:43.8.

Susannah Ely of Aggieland HomeSchool was second with a time of 13:50.0, and Regan Marshall of St. Dominic Savio Catholic was third at 13:52.6.

The Caldwell boys placed second in the team standings with a total of 59 points.

Rockdale won the team title with a total of 26 points, and Aggieland HomeSchool was third with 59 points.

Adolfo Gaucin was Caldwell's top boy runner, finishing seventh with a time of 18:38.3.

Other runners for Caldwell were: Will McDonald, ninth, 18:43.3; Luke McClosky, 10th, 18:50.4; Nolan Mott, 11th, 18:50.5; Nathan Scott, 28th, 21:40.8.

Mitch Archer won the boys' individual title with a time of 17:23.6.

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A NEW CLUB AT CALDWELL HIGH SCHOOL is hooked on competing. The Caldwell FFA has begun a new bass club which competes in the Houston region of the Texas High School Bass Association (THSBA). The club's teams competed in their first tournament on Sept. 19 at Lake Conroe against over 100 other teams. Their next tournament is at Lake Somerville on Oct. 10.



CALDWELL'S AALIYAH MASSINGILL and Addison Reed reach to attempt to block a hit by Cameron Yoe's Haley Tucker during the Lady Hornets' win on Friday. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders

Lady Hornets win two more

Remain undefeated in District 19-3A

The Lady Hornets remain undefeated at 5-0 in District 19-3A after defeating Little River Academy at home on Tuesday 25-17, 25-10, 25-15 and Cameron Yoe

on the road on Friday 25-23, 25-17, 25-2. Caldwell head coach Jane Anne Giese said that the Lady Hornets were "able to make quick work" of the Lady

Bumblebees on Tuesday, but that the Lady Hornets "didn't play clean."

"We have to focus on reducing unforced errors. See HORNETS, page 6B

Lady Yegua Vball crushes Dime Box, falls to Burton

The Lady Yeguas had an easy time against Dime Box at home last Friday, crushing the Lady Horns 25-8, 25-8, 25-3.

Somerville was led by Camia Martin who had a great match at the net with six kills and a block.

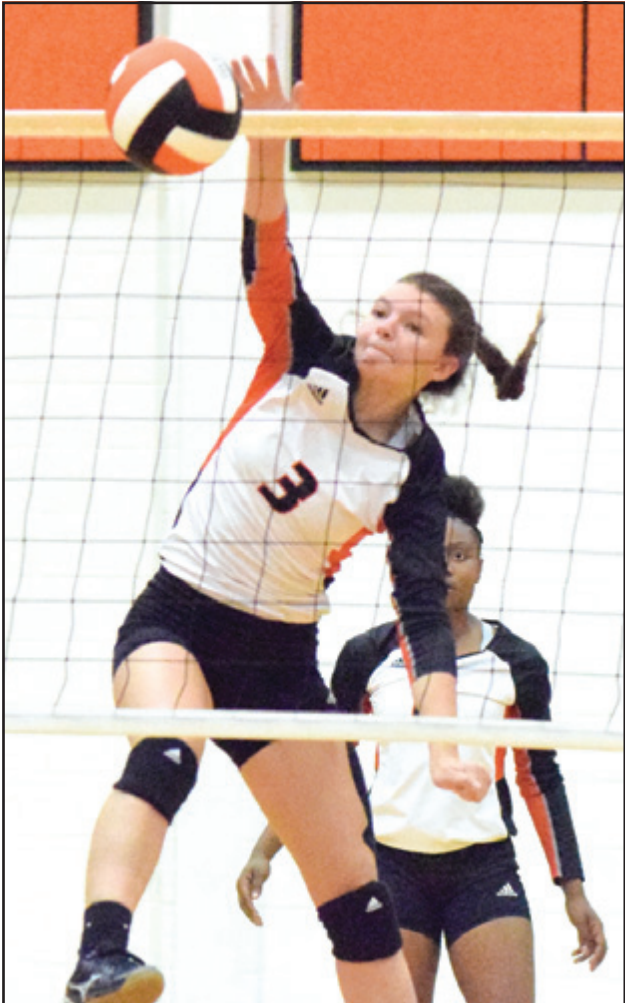
Emma Kvasovic led the team with seven kills.

Senior Kailey Eldridge was the assists leader with 15.

DBHS	8	8	3	-	0
SHS	25	25	25	-	3
Somerville:	SP	Ace	K	Ast	Bk Dig
Vela	3	0	1	0	0
Carter	3	3	5	0	0
Kvasovic	3	0	7	4	0
Divin	3	0	0	0	0
Martin	3	0	6	0	1
Eldridge	3	1	0	15	0
Stevens	3	2	3	0	0

On Tuesday, Sept. 22, Somerville traveled to Burton, falling to the Lady Panthers in straight sets 16-25, 20-25, 16-25.

Ra'Maya Carter, Halle Stevens and Kvasovic each had three kills in See YEGUA, page 4B



SOMERVILLE'S EMMA KOVASOVIC led the Lady Yeguas in kills against Dime Box on Friday. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

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David Davila

Bluejay Football



Last week, Davila scored four touchdowns in Snook's 42-14 win over Lola - two rushing, one receiving and one interception returned for a touchdown.

Aaliyah Massingill

Caldwell Volleyball



Last week, Massingill was instrumental in the Lady Hornets' two district wins. The senior frontline specialist had 11 kills in the win against Academy on Tuesday.



XC

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Rockdale's Jesus Bocabanegra and Cristo Hernandez were second and third with times of 17:48.5 and 18:07.4.

Snook runners ran during the Number 2 meet with Paola Arredondo placing 11th in the girls' 2-mile race. Arredondo finished the race with a time of 15:27.0.

Also running in the girls' race for Snook was Carmen Miller, finishing 16th with a time of 15:41.4.

Cameron Yoe's Yierra Flemmings and Logan Pevehouse were first and second with times of 12:45.0 and 13:07.6. Hadley Phillips of China Spring was third

with a time of 13:10.7.

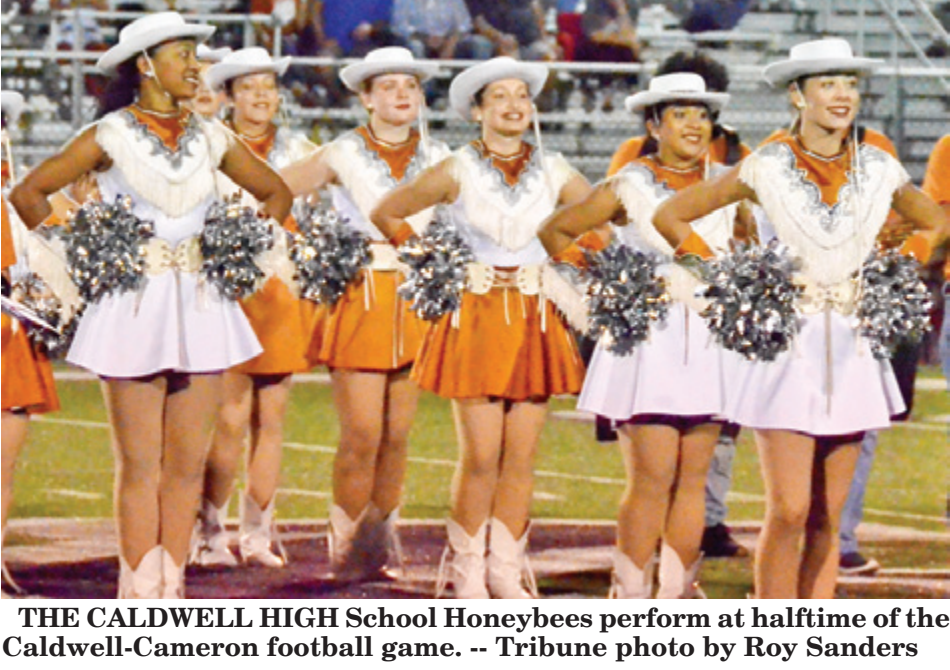
The Bluejays had Jared Bryan and Hagan Sebesta running in the boys 5,000-meter race. Bryan placed 38th with a time of 28:36.6, and Sebesta was 39th with a time of 29:58.2.

Kade Sebek of Rogers won the boys' individual title with a time of 17:22.0.

Andrew Butler of Thrall was second at 17:40.1, and Cameron Yoe's Joseph Munoz was third at 17:56.0.

Snook runners will run this Thursday in Jarrell.

Caldwell will host its annual Caldwell Invitational this Saturday at Davidson Creek Park.



THE CALDWELL HIGH School Honeybees perform at halftime of the Caldwell-Cameron football game. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders



THE CALDWELL HIGH School Band performs during the halftime show at the Caldwell-Cameron game. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders



SNOOK'S CARMEN MILLER competed in the girls 2-mile race at the Cameron Cross Country Invitational Number 2 on Saturday.

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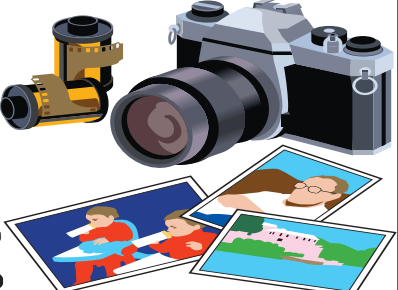
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Caldwell Hornet Football					
Date	Opponent	Place	Team	Time	
10/1	OPEN				
10/2	OPEN				
10/8	Rockdale	Away	JV	6 p.m.	
10/9	Rockdale	Home	V	7:30 p.m.	

Snook Bluejay Football					
Date	Opponent	Place	Team	Time	
10/2	Burton	Away	V	7 p.m.	
10/9	OPEN				

Somerville Yegua Football					
Date	Opponent	Place	Team	Time	
10/2	Lola	Away	V	7 p.m.	
10/9	Burton	Home	V	7 p.m.	

Caldwell Lady Hornet Volleyball					
Date	Opponent	Place	Team	Time	
10/2	OPEN				
10/6	Florence	Home	F&JV/V	5 p.m.	
10/9	Rockdale	Home	V/F&JV	4:30 p.m.	

Snook Lady Jay Volleyball					
Date	Opponent	Place	Team	Time	
10/2	Dime Box	Away	V	4:30 p.m.	
10/6	Burton	Home	JV/V	5/6 p.m.	
10/9	Fayetteville	Away	V	4:30 p.m.	

Somerville Lady Yegua Volleyball					
Date	Opponent	Place	Team	Time	
10/2	Fayetteville	Home	V	4:30 p.m.	
10/6	RTC	Home	JV/V	5:30/6:30 p.m.	
10/9	McDade	Home	V	TBA	

Caldwell Hornet Tennis					
Date	Opponent	Place	Team	Time	
10/1	LBJ	Away	V	4 p.m.	
10/8	Bastrop	Away	V	4 p.m.	

Caldwell Hornet Cross Country					
Date	Opponent	Place	Team	Time	
10/3	Caldwell	Home	JV/V	TBA	
10/10	TBA				

Snook Bluejay Cross Country					
Date	Opponent	Place	Team	Time	
10/1	Mesquite Trail	Away	HS	TBA	
10/3	Mesquite Trail	Away	MS	TBA	
10/10	McGregor	Away	MS/HS	TBA	

Somerville Yegua Cross Country					
Date	Opponent	Place	Team	Time	
10/3	Caldwell	Away	JH/HS	TBA	
10/14	Lexington	Away	JH	TBA	
10/17	Lexington	Away	HS	TBA	

Caldwell Hornet Bass Fishing					
Date		Place		Time	
10/10		Lake Somerville		TBA	



SNOOK'S CAMERON CONERWAY scores a touchdown during the second half of the Bluejays' Friday night District 13-2A D2 home 42-14 win over the Iola Bulldogs. -- Tribune photo by Miranda Jones



SNOOK'S GARRETT Lero runs on a quarterback keeper with Daivon Workman up front blocking. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

Lady Jays VB beats Richards

On Friday, the Lady Jays hosted Richards, beating the Lady Panthers in straight sets 25-5, 25-16, 28-26. Snook was led by Riley Green with 11 kills, 12 digs and eight aces. Kenzie Kmiec also had a great match with 11 kills, eight digs, five assists and three aces. Senior Jaycie Brisco led the team in assists with 23 and in digs with 13.

RHS	5	16	26	-	0
Snook	25	25	28	-	3
Player:	SP	Ace	K	Ast	Bk Dig
Mota	3	0	0	0	4

Walker	3	1	1	3	0	4
Kmiec	3	3	3	11	5	.0
Brisco	3	4	3	23	.0	13
Kovar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Arredondo	3	2	1	0	0	3
Stringfellow	3	1	8	1	0	5
Strong	-	-	-	-	-	-
Green	3	8	11	1	0	12
Baumann	-	-	-	-	-	-
Huddleston	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hruska	-	-	-	-	-	-

Snook was scheduled to host Somerville on Tuesday, Sept. 29. Next, the Lady Jays will travel to Dime Box on Friday. Game time is set for 4:30 p.m. Then, Snook will host Burton on Tuesday, Oct. 6, with a start time of 6 p.m.

Snook ISD menu

The following is the menu for the Snook Independent School District for Oct. 5-9: **Mon., 10/5:** Pepperoni Pizza, Garden Spinach Salad, Corn, Fruit Variety. **Tues., 10/6:** Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Broccoli, Carrots, Garlic Bread, Fruit Variety.

Wed., 10/7: Chicken and Waffles, Oven Fries, House Salad, Fruit Variety. **Thurs., 10/8:** Beef Taco, Ranch Style Beans, House Salad, Fruit Variety. **Fri., 10/9:** Sloppy Joes, Ranch Style Beans, Veggie Sticks, Ranch Dip, Fruit Variety.

SNOOK

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while rushing for an other 160 on 23 carries. Snook opened the scoring on a Davila 28-yard run with Lero passing to Davila for the two points for an 8-0 lead in the first. Davila's 22-yard run, and Lero's run for two points made it 16-0. Davila added runs of 22 and 30 yards in the third to build the 30-6 advantage, and Cameron Conerway scored on a 12-yard run in the fourth for a 36-14 lead. Lero's three-yard run in the fourth completed the scoring. Snook Head Coach Boone Patterson said the Bluejays "offense started to click, and the offensive line really won the battle on the line of scrimmage." Offensive linemen Richard Santillan, James Johnson, Jonathan Quevedo, David Toler and Davion Waters led the way, he said.

In addition to the 490-yard output, Snook's defense held Iola to 168 total yards -- 79 passing and 89 rushing and just a 3-9 third down efficiency. Davila, Justin Supak and Jaxson Brisco each finished with seven tackles. After three tough non-district losses, the team is getting energized in district play, he said. "We are feeling good about our improvement from week to week, and



A FLOCK OF BLUEJAYS force Iola runningback Coy Elliott to fumble at the end of a run on Friday. Snook's Konnor Eldridge makes the fumble recovery. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday



SNOOK'S GARRETT Lero gets stiff-armed by Iola's Case Creamer during a run Friday night. -- Tribune photo by Miranda Jones

we are hoping to continue on this track," Patterson said. Patterson said Burton is a good team defensively. "They have struggled with turnovers on offense, but they are capable of moving it consistently with the run game," Patterson said. Patterson said he is unaware of Snook beating Burton since the Bluejays' varsity program began. "It would say a lot about the hard work our players have put in to get to this point," Patterson said. "We feel really good about our ability to focus on us and what we need to do."



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SOMERVILLE'S CAMIA MARTIN taps the ball over a Dime Box blocker during the Lady Yeguas' win over the Lady Horns on Friday night in Somerville. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday



SOMERVILLE'S RA'MAYA CARTER gets one of her five kills Friday night as the Lady Yeguas demolished Dime Box in straight sets. Carter also had three aces in the win. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

Yeguas game with Milano postponed to Nov. 6

Somerville to face Iola Friday on the road

The Somerville Yeguas game scheduled for last Friday against Milano in Somerville was postponed due to a COVID-related issue in Milano, Somerville Head Coach Cal Neatherlin said.

The game has been rescheduled for 7 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 6, in Somerville.

Meanwhile, Somerville (0-3) will face Iola at 7 p.m. this Friday in Iola. Iola fell to Snook 42-14 last Friday in Snook.

Neatherlin said Iola is a well coached team that plays hard.

"Their coaches keep their schemes simple so kids will play fast. Right now, they are still trying to find their identity because of losing two games during this season, but with a win over Burton you know they can get it done," Neatherlin said.

"I think they tackle

very well. They like to bring pressure to force bad plays. We have to take advantage of that and create explosive plays with our running and passing games,"he said. "The big key for us is to eliminate the costly turnovers and to start fast."

Neatherlin said any district win would be huge right now.

"By not playing this week, we feel like we have fallen behind everyone else," Neatherlin said. "However, we have to focus on the things we can control like playing our best against Iola this week. If we do that, we will be in great shape."

Neatherlin said he did not think the postponed game will hurt the Yeguas.

"The game against Granger was really physical, and we had guys banged up. With

the cancellation, we had time to heal up," he said. "The coaching staff also thought we had a strong week of practices, and we had only the walk through left before the game was rescheduled so we feel pretty good about the work we put in."

Neatherlin said the Yeguas are trying to get their best players on the field and put them into situations to make more of an impact.

"Offensively, we are continually trying to improve our running game and to be more precise on our passing routes," Neatherlin said. "Defensively, we try to work on pad level and focusing on watching the ball and not the snap count. Lastly, we are focusing on our conditioning and making sure we are in good shape."

YEGUAS

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the loss.

Martin led the team in blocks with four and in digs with seven.

SHS	16	20	16	-	0
BHS	25	25	25	-	3
Somerville: SP	Ace	K	Ast	Bk	Dig
Vela	3	0	0	0	0
Carter	3	1	3	0	1
Kovasovic	3	0	3	2	1
Divin	3	0	0	0	2
Martin	3	0	1	0	4
Eldridge	3	0	1	9	0
Stevens	3	1	3	0	2

Somerville was scheduled to play in Snook on Tuesday, Sept. 29.

Next, the Lady Yeguas will host Fayetteville at 4:30 p.m. on Friday.

CHS JV volleyball beats Academy, Cameron Yoe

The Lady Hornet JV volleyball team came away with two wins this past week, defeating Academy on Tuesday 25-12, 25-13 and Cameron Yoe on Friday 20-25, 25-20, 15-12.

These wins improve Caldwell's season record to 6-6 and 4-1 in district.

On Tuesday, the Lady Hornets came out on fire, dominating the entire match.

Coch Wendy Weiss said, "With great energy and aggressive offense, the Lady Hornets played great as a team to come away with the win."

Stat leaders for Lady Hornets against Academy were:

* Aces: Jayla Schultz, three; Ashlyn Kellum, one; Hope Savage, one; Marina Brinkman, one.

* Kills: Kellum, four; Jackie Pinkerton, four; Aliyah Vela, three; Bowers, three; Lexie Albright, one; Schultz, one; Daisha Denson, one.

* Digs: Bowers, nine; Brinkman, eight; Andrea Flores, seven; Kellum, seven; Savage, four; Vela, three.

* Assists: Bowers, eight.

* Blocks: Pinkerton, two.

On Friday, Caldwell started sluggish and quiet, losing the first set to the Lady Yoe.

The ladies got things

together about the middle of the second set and were able to win the set.

This set the stage for set three, which went back and forth for a while. But, behind the hot hitting and serving arm of Kellum, the Lady Hornets came out victorious.

Weiss said, "I am proud of how we hung in there and just kept playing tonight."

"Kelly Urbanovsky stepped in and set for us tonight since our regular setter, Allie Bowers, played with the varsity and she did a great job. She and Ashlyn Kellum combined for several crucial kills in the second and third sets to help bring the win home for the Lady Hornets," Weiss said.

Stat leaders for Lady Hornets against Cameron Yoe were:

* Aces: Kellum, five; Schultz, two; Pinkerton, two; Savage, two; Kelley Urbanovsky, one; Brinkman, one.

* Kills: Kellum, 13; Vela, four; Denson, two; Schultz, one.

* Digs: Flores, 12; Kellum, eight; Urbanovsky, five; Savage, four; Vela, four; Brinkman, four; Daisha Denson, two.

* Assists: Urbanovsky, 18.

* Blocks: Pinkerton, one.

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Tues., 10/6: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Cheesy Broccoli, Roll, Fruit.

Wed., 10/7: Chicken Spaghetti, Seasoned Green Beans, Bread Stick, Fruit.

Thurs., 10/8: Crispy Beef Tacos, Lettuce/Tomato, Refried Beans, Spanish Rice, Fruit.

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CALDWELL'S LARAMIE PIEPER and Zach Heaton make this tackle last Friday against Cameron. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders



De'AUTRE BURNS MAKES a tough catch into double coverage last Friday against Cameron. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders



CALDWELL'S JAMAR HEWITT breaks free for this long run.



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CALDWELL'S De'AUTRE Burns makes this tough catch against the Cameron Yoemen.

Caldwell takes early lead, falls to Cameron 54-27

Yeomen's speed, passing game keys win

The Cameron Yoemen, trailing Caldwell 15-6 in the first quarter, rallied with quarterback Zane Zienert's passing arm for a 54-27 win last Friday in Cameron.

Caldwell (2-3) got off to a good start with a six-minute, 64-yard opening drive, ending with a five-yard TD run by Dontavien Johnson, who finished with three TD runs, for a 7-0 lead.

Later in the first, leading 7-6, the Hornets moved fast with a four-play, 61-yard drive concluding with a 49-yard TD run by Jamaar Hewitt with 2:27 left in the quarter. Caldwell was successful with a two-point run by Johnson for a 15-6 lead.

But Cameron rallied in the second with a 24-yard Zienert pass to Zakorian Spikes with 11:53 left in the second and with a 46-yard pass from Zienert to Jaidyn Sanchez for a 19-15 halftime lead.

The Yoemen, who would finish with 356 total yards -- 247 passing and 109 rushing, took control with two quick scores early in the third for a 33-15 edge.

Phaibian Bynaum ran for a five-yard score, and Keshon Johnson ran for one yard, but Caldwell, staying focused and in the game, put together an excellent 11-play, 88-yard drive, with Johnson scoring on a three-yard run on first and goal to cut the margin to 33-21.

Quarterback Ryan Roehling passed to Zach Heaton for 42 yards on a critical third-down conversion to keep the drive alive.

But Cameron's break-away speed and passing game took over from there.

Early in the fourth, trailing 40-21, Caldwell responded again on Johnson's third TD run of the night from three yards out to make it 40-27.

Caldwell Head Coach Matt Langley said the Hornets were consistently establishing the line of scrimmage with the run game and also mixing in some play-action passes.

"We had our opportunities to maintain control of the game, but turnovers were a momentum and drive killer, setting up opportunities for Cameron. With their offense, you can only hold the dam so long before you can expect a big play or two to bust open," Langley said.

Langley said the Hornets knew going in that controlling possessions and the clock was vital, and "unfortunately we didn't hang on to the ball well enough to be as successful as we needed to."

Langley said Tre Burns had a good night making big plays in the passing game, going to get the ball. Johnson also ran hard, and Heaton also made some big plays.

Defensively, Marqualan Green was a force on the line of scrimmage, and Danny Torres made big plays, he said.

Langley said ball protection will be a high priority now along with improvements to assignment football on offense.

In addition, kickoff coverage needs shoring up, and the defense must improve tackling in space in addition to run-fits and vertical coverage, he said.

Caldwell finished with 381 total yards, 163 rushing and 218 passing with some strong individual performances.

In addition to Johnson's three scores, Hewitt rushed 15 times for 98 yards with one TD.

Roehling finished 9-17 in passing for 218 yards with two interceptions, and Burns had five catches for 133 yards, followed by Heaton with three for 81.

Caldwell has a bye week this Friday before taking on Rockdale on Oct. 9 at home.



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Weekly Market Report for 9-23-20

VOLUME: 645 SELLERS: 75 BUYERS: 42

TREND: Steady

Weight	Steers	Heifers
200-300 lb.	130 ⁰⁰ . 140 ⁰⁰	135 ⁰⁰ . 145 ⁰⁰
300-400 lb.	143 ⁰⁰ . 177 ⁰⁰	126 ⁰⁰ . 142 ⁰⁰
400-500 lb.	140 ⁰⁰ . 170 ⁰⁰	126 ⁰⁰ . 145 ⁰⁰
500-600 lb.	130 ⁰⁰ . 158 ⁰⁰	120 ⁰⁰ . 144 ⁰⁰
600-700 lb.	125 ⁰⁰ . 133 ⁰⁰	110 ⁰⁰ . 130 ⁰⁰
700-800 lb.	119 ⁰⁰ . 130 ⁰⁰	95 ⁰⁰ . 157 ⁰⁰
Slaughter Cows 30 ⁰⁰ . 60 ⁰⁰		Bulls 60 ⁰⁰ . 88 ⁰⁰
Stocker Cows 575 ⁰⁰ . 1025 ⁰⁰ Pairs 1125 ⁰⁰ . 1300 ⁰⁰		
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rors,” she said.

The Caldwell offense was led by seniors Elizabeth See and Aaliyah Massingill who, together, had 23 of the team’s total 33 kills.

“We got great contributions from Elizabeth See and Aaliyah Massingill. They terminate so quickly, and we don’t have to play long rallies because of their offense,” Giese said.

Junior Alayna Hart had a strong game feeding See and Massingill the ball, racking up 29 assists.

AHS	17	10	15	-	0
CHS	25	25	25	-	3
Player:	SP	Ace	K	Ast	Bk Dig
Massingill	3	1	11	0	1 2
Drgac	3	1	0	0	0 12
Garza	3	4	0	0	0 6
Narro	3	1	0	0	0 6
Hart	3	0	1	29	0 7
Taylor	3	0	6	0	0 0
Hartman	2	0	1	0	0 1
Reed	2	1	1	0	0 3
See	3	1	12	0	3 18
Mathis	2	0	1	0	0 0

On Friday in Cameron, the Lady Hornets



CALDWELL’S ELIZABETH SEE and Addison Reed try to block the hit from Cameron Yoe’s Kaly White during the Lady Hornets’ win over the Lady Yoe on Friday. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders

were without their setter, Hart, so Allie Bowers stepped in to help the varsity squad.

Giese said, “Hart has been a tremendous leader on the court this season, both offensively and defensively. However, Allie stepped into the setting role and did a great job.”

Bowers had all 21 assists for the team against Cameron.

Giese said, “We were a little shaky at first as

we made adjustments, but got in a groove as the night went on.”

“We have discussed reducing errors and dominating teams. And, in the third set, we beat Cameron 25-2. I would definitely say I was pleased with that performance,” Giese said.

CHS 25 25 25 - 3
CYHS 23 17 2 - 0

Player: SP Ace K Ast Bk Dig
Massingill 3 4 4 0 2 0
Drgac 3 4 0 0 0 14

Garza 3 1 0 0 0 3
Narro 3 1 0 0 0 11
Taylor 2 0 3 0 0 1
Hartman 2 0 0 0 0 0
Bowers 3 2 0 21 0 10
Reed 2 2 1 0 0 3
See 3 2 16 0 6 5
Mathis 3 0 2 0 0 0

Caldwell was scheduled to host Number 2 Lexington on Tuesday, Sept. 29.

Next, the Lady Hornets host Florence on Tuesday, Oct. 6, for Parents Night. Game time is set for 6 p.m.

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BURLESON COUNTY FAIR EXHIBITORS wait in line for their lambs to be judged. Pictured are, from left, Caitlyn Faust, Cameron Ruth-erford, Garrett Tittle and Barrett Dudensing. Also pictured, back, are Michael Kaatz and Willam See. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders

AREA YOUTH EXHIBIT THEIR FAIR projects at this year’s Burleson County Fair. Pictured are exhibitors Kadie Hartman, Barrett Howe and Madalyn Faust. Also pictured is judge Brett Barber.

RACHEL NOVOSAD’S HEIFER is being judged by Brett Barber during the 2020 Burleson County Fair. Also pictured is Kate Hill waiting with her heifer. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders

SWINE JUDGE GALEN MCCUNE, front, looks over these pigs during this year’s Burleson County Fair. Exhibitors pictured include Jayden Lyday, left, and Wesley Lyday, right. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders



BARRETT HOWE EXHIBITED the Reserve Grand Champion market steer at this year's fair. Also pictured are Luke Fuchs, Joni Urbanosky, Jack Howe, Carolyn Howe, Jalynn Urbanosky, Ryann Howe, Hadley Howe and 2020 Burleson County Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska.



HADLEY HOWE EXHIBITED the Grand Champion junior breeding heifer at this year's fair. She is pictured with Luke Fuchs, Ryann Howe, Jack Howe, Carolyn Howe, Tyler Kocurek, Hannah Schneider, Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska and Little Miss Brooklyn Hafernack.



KADIE HARTMAN EXHIBITED the Reserve Grand Champion junior breeding heifer at this year's fair. She is pictured with Kim Cedidla, Kathy Kocurek, Steve Kocurek, Rhett Hartman, Matt Hartman, Tyler Kocurek, Hannah Schneider and Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska.



GRACE CADAN EXHIBITED the Grand Champion pen of commercial heifers at the 2020 Burleson County Fair. She is pictured with buckle sponsor and buyer John Malazzo, Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska and Little Miss Brooklyn Hafernack.



LARAMIE PIEPER EXHIBITED the Reserve Grand Champion pen of commercial heifers at this year's Burleson County Fair. He is pictured with buckle sponsor Darren Broesche of Broesche Cattle Co., and 2020 Burleson County Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska and Little Miss Brooklyn Hafernack.

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and Ashley Zboril.

Barrett Howe exhibited the reserve champion market steer, which sold to J x J Ranch for \$7,500.

He is the son of Kody and Ryann Howe.

More Grand Champions

Other grand champion winners and their buyers were:

* Market Broilers: Caleb See, Jamie and Sherri Chmelar, \$4,750.

* Market Lambs: Garrett Tittle, La Bamba, \$4,000.

* Market Swine: Hadley Howe, J x J Ranch, \$4,500.

* Market Turkeys: Tyland Lackey, Bud Cross Ford and Kawasaki of Caldwell, \$2,000.

* Market Rabbits: Carson Parker, Washington County Tractor, \$2,750.

* Market Goats: Cameron Rutherford, Metropolitan Water Co., L.P., \$3,750.

Reserve Champions

Other reserve champion winners and buyers included:

* Market Broilers: Averie Hernandez, Ben and Betsy Flencher, \$2,750.

* Market Lambs: Cameron Rutherford, Brazos Valley Mobile Vet Service, \$2,750.

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* Market Turkeys: Coulter Suehs, Somerville Farm & Ranch, Inc., \$4,000.

* Market Rabbits: Reese McManus, Courtney Electric, \$3,500.

* Market Goats: Cameron Rutherford, Jack and Nita Stifflemire, \$2,500.

The heaviest broiler, weighing 9.77 pounds, was exhibited by Kanzie Mantey which sold to Boelden and Leann Chmelar for \$3,250.

Breeding Heifer Show

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

Commercial Heifers

* Grand champion: Grace Cadan sold her pen of heifers to John Malazzo for \$18,000.

* Reserve champion: Laramie Pieper sold his pen of heifers to Marvin and Martha Kacer for \$18,000.

Ag Mechanics

* Grand champion: Jason Barker sold his project of a landscape rake to Maresh & Sons for \$2,750.

* Reserve champion: Mary Hancock sold her project of a beehive to Jack Rabbit Manufacturing for \$2,250.

Showmanship Awards

In addition to the auction, the top showmen from the youth exhibitors were also honored with Showmanship Awards. These winners were selected on the merits received for fitting and showing their own animals during their respective judging events.

Those winning Showmanship Awards included:

* Cameron Rutherford, Market Goats, Senior Showmanship.

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AREA FFA AND 4-H members show their fair animal projects at this year's Burleson County Fair. Pictured are Hayden Vollentine, Jeff Ripley, Laramie Cass and Emaline Hargraves.

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Bids are invited for several items and quantities of work as follows:

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FAIR

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Goats, Junior Showmanship.

- * Cameron Rutherford, Market Lambs, Senior Showmanship.
- * Cason Russ, Market Lambs, Junior Showmanship.
- * Katherine Alayna Hart, Market Swine, Senior Showmanship.
- * Rowdy Smith, Market Swine, Junior Showmanship.
- * Barrett Howe, Market Steers, Senior Showmanship.
- * Kaden Schroeder, Market Steers, Junior Showmanship.
- * Barrett Howe, Junior Breeding Beef Heifers, Senior Showmanship.
- * Kathyeryne Hill, Junior Breeding Beef Heifers, Junior Showmanship.

The official auction totals will be released in next week's *Tribune*.

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Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.
For The Thursday Edition!



REESE MCMANUS exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion market rabbits at this year's fair. Also pictured are Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska and Little Miss Brooklyn Hafern timer.



CARSON PARKER exhibited the Grand Champion market rabbits at this year's fair. He is pictured with 2020 Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska and Little Miss Brooklyn Hafern timer.



GARRETT TITTLE exhibited the Grand Champion market lamb during this year's fair. He is pictured with Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska and Little Miss Brooklyn Hafernicks.



CAMERON RUTHERFORD exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion market lamb at this year's fair. Also pictured are 2020 Burleson County Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska and Little Miss Brooklyn Hafernicks.



CAMERON RUTHERFORD exhibited the Grand Champion market goat at this year's Burleson County Fair. He is pictured with 2020 Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska and Little Miss Brooklyn Hafernicks.



CAMERON RUTHERFORD exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion market goat at this year's Burleson County Fair. He is pictured with 2020 Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska and Little Miss Brooklyn Hafernicks.



HADLEY HOWE EXHIBITED the Grand Champion market swine at the 2020 Burleson County Fair. She is pictured with Jason Guidry, Kody Howe, Ryann Howe, Barrett Howe, Jack Howe, Carolyn Howe, Natalee See and 2020 Burleson County Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska.



BRAXTON FRITCHER EXHIBITED the Reserve Grand Champion market swine at this year's fair. He is pictured with Clay Fritcher, Candy Fritcher, Galen McCune, Natalee See, Fair Queen Kyleigh Hruska and Little Miss Brooklyn Hafernicks.

Lake reservation procedures change

Officials with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fort Worth district last week announced changes being implemented on Thursday, Oct. 1, in an effort to ensure recreation facilities remain open and operate efficiently in response to resource constraints.

Starting Oct. 1, camping and group pavilion reservations are required prior to arriving at Corps of Engineers managed campgrounds (Yegua Creek Park and Rocky Creek Park).

Reservations can be made by calling (877) 444-6777, through www.recreation.gov, or by downloading the Recreation.gov application for iPhone or Android.

In addition, parks will no longer be able to accommodate arrivals prior to 3 p.m. on the day of arrival.

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Campers are required to move sites if unable to book a reservation for the same site.

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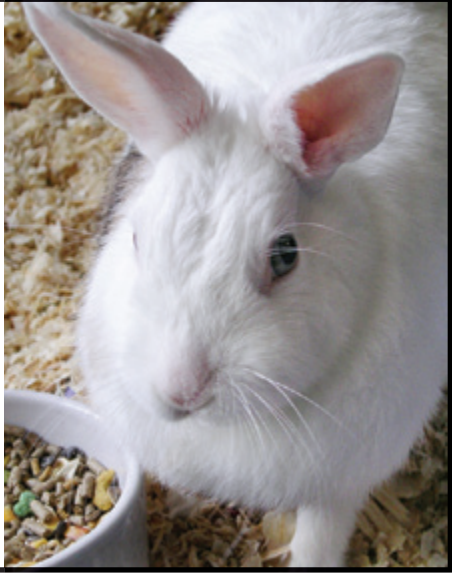
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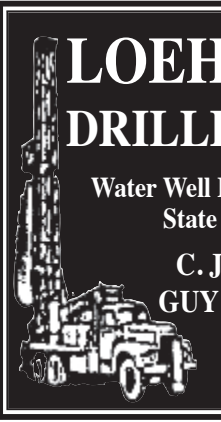
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TAMMY KUBECKA OF the Burleson County Historical Commission looks over this display at the courthouse for Archeology Week.

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and information about local archeology and photos about state archeology, national and international projects. Posts will also provide links to other online events and videos.

The public is encouraged to check out the daily posts, "Like" the Burleson County Historical Commission page and their posts and leave comments and questions.

Early giving scheduled for Brazos Valley Gives

The Community Foundation announces the launch of early giving on Thursday, Oct. 1, for Brazos Valley Gives.

This year more than 135 nonprofits are participating in the second annual Brazos Valley Gives Day.

This year, six local Burleson County nonprofits are participating in Brazos Valley Gives including the Boys & Girls Club – Caldwell Unit, Baylor Scott & White, Caldwell Education and Leadership Foundation, Deanville Heritage Foundation, Deanville Volunteer Fire Department, and Impact Burleson County. Stylecraft of Bryan/College Station joins the Foundation in presenting this year's Giving Day.

To make a gift to a participating nonprofit, donors simply log on to brazosvalleygives.org.

Early giving concludes on Friday, Oct. 23, and Brazos Valley Gives Day is Tuesday, Oct. 27.

Last year, in the inaugural year of Brazos Valley Gives, more than 100 nonprofits participated with 100 percent of nonprofits receiving a financial benefit from the \$363,686 that was raised. Each participating nonprofit was also eligible for \$25,250 in prizes that were awarded during a post-celebration event.

Brazos Valley Gives is 18 hours of online giving that brings the region together on one day and as one community to raise critical funding and awareness for nonprofit organizations throughout the Brazos Valley.

Powered by the Community Foundation, Brazos Valley Gives provides citizens and businesses an easy platform to support the mission and "good works" of local nonprofit organizations that serve the Brazos Valley.

This second annual event has expanded to include nonprofits from throughout the seven-county Brazos Valley region.

Brazos Valley Gives empowers individual donors and business leaders to come together to support causes close to their hearts—and, on this day, everyone can be a philanthropist.

With so many nonprofits forced to cancel their events and fundraisers over the past six months, Brazos Valley Gives is serving as a critical fundraiser for many of our local nonprofits. This day of Community FIRST ... giving where you live is being powered by the Community Foundation, and all donations benefit the donor's charity(ies) of choice.

The goal for Brazos Valley Gives is \$375,000. Though the Community Foundation powers Brazos Valley Gives, it is not a fundraiser for them as 100 percent of donations benefit participating nonprofits. Donors choose and give to the nonprofit of their choice.

Visit brazosvalleygives.org to see a list of the nonprofit participants, or for more information send an email to brazosvalleygives@gmail.com. If you are a local citizen or business interested in supporting this year's community giving day, please call Patricia Gerling at (979) 589-4305.

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it says, "We encourage you to return your child on On-Campus Instruction as soon as possible, so we can help prevent long-term failure."

Peters said that as of Friday, Sept. 25, the district's enrollment was 1,710 with 352 students being at-home learners. Of the 352, 42 at-home learners from the high school and nine hybrid (taking at least one course at the campus) learners were failing, 29 at-home junior high school students were failing, 32 at-home intermediate students were failing and 37 at-home elementary students were failing.

Board member Rebecca Gardner said that if 60 percent of the on-campus learners were failing, the school would receive "an awful grade."

Peters quoted Snook ISD Superintendent Brenda Krchnak, "It's not because of the lack of efforts from the teachers."

Each of the principals reported to the board that many of the at-home students were receiving zeros for not turning in any work after many attempted notifications from teachers and administration.

Peters said that many of the failing at-home students are students who would have also been struggling on campus, however having

a teacher in the classroom with them gives the students "that extra to help them succeed."

"We never intended for school to be synchronized -- where you would learn at the exact same time in the classroom as you would at home for a number of reasons. One, we don't have the technology for it, but you (the board) have been gracious enough to buy the tech so that we could do it. But, we haven't done all the training yet, and no one is experienced at it."

"But, the bigger problem is there's not enough bandwidth in Caldwell, Texas, to provide synchronized instruction."

Peters said that the school district has been doing its best to provide internet to those at-home learners who do not have internet, but several of the failing at-home students are using the school-provided internet to do things other than their schoolwork.

He said, "We can monitor most of them."

"There are kids that are using up 10 times the bandwidth than other kids are doing who haven't turned in anything," Peters said.

He said that teachers and administrators are consistently contacting these parents about missing assignments, and several of the parents are not responding.

He said, "It's been eye-opening."

Peters said that someone has been scheduling tests for the at-home learners, and no one shows up to take the test via Zoom.

"There are some kids who are doing fine with good parent support. However, we're spinning our wheels with our most at-risk kids," he said.

Peters told a story about a parent who called one of the principals and said, "My kid loves coming to school, but there's so many other things she could do that she could help me with if she could just come maybe three days a week."

"We're not set up to just let you come to school whenever you want to come to school."

"COVID was not to provide an opportunity for you to do whatever you wanted to do as a kid," Peters said.

Peters said the district plans to get "the kids back to school" unless a principal feels that the "best thing for the kid is to stay home."

"If you're failing, then you need to come back to school," he said.

Peters said that any new students will be on-campus, unless there is a health issue.

Peters added that school is one of the safest places to keep from getting COVID-19.

He said that he is disappointed in the county and city for not more strictly adhering to the governor's mask order while the school dis-

trict is doing its best to follow all recommendations set by the state, the Texas Education Agency (TEA) and University Interscholastic League (UIL).

Peters said that "for everyone who doesn't want to follow the order, there is at least one who is scared of COVID-19."

He said, "CISD has had very few cases of COVID and the evidence suggests that the spread of COVID has not taken place on the campuses, rather COVID is spread through family contact outside of the school day."

Board president Tripp Warren said that one of the good things to come out of the COVID-19 pandemic is the district's expansion of the use of technology.

However, board member William Foster said, "Technology is great, but it doesn't replace teachers."

Caldwell ISD plans on at-home learners to return to the high school and junior high campus on Oct. 5 and to the elementary and intermediate campuses on Oct. 19.

In other business, the board:

* Adopted \$1.10 as the tax rate for the 2020-2021 school year.

* Discussed facility updates with Robert Gadbois of Owners Building Resource, LLC (OBR) of Bremond, the district's project management company.

Gadbois presented the



CBC LIONS CLUB MEMBERS paint playground equipment at the City Park across from the Caldwell Housing Authority. Pictured from the left are, Jacque Bray, Pat Drouilhet, Sherrian Gonden, Michael Bennett, Kathy Cornett, Karen Johnson, and Linda O'Brien. Present, but not in picture, are, Faith Ward, Margaret Polansky, and Adrien Drouilhet.

Trunk or Treat scheduled for downtown Caldwell

Trunk or Treat will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on Halloween night Saturday, Oct. 31, in Caldwell. Trunk or Treat is a community event where businesses, organization and families decorate and dress up their vehicles, trunks and themselves. The event provides a safe, family friendly opportunity for Trick or Treaters. Vehicles will be lined up like a car show, and children will trick or treat down all the trunks. The event will be open to the public, and children will be able to trick or treat at no charge. Give-outs may include manufactured, wrapped candy, novelty items, along with family friendly promotional material. Trunk or Treat Vehicle Registration Entries are \$25 per vehicle and must be decorated to a Halloween theme. No scary masks or props that would frighten young children. Candy must be wrapped in sealed manufacturer's wrapping. No handmade items. Only registered vehicles with an official Trunk or Treat parking pass displayed on the vehicle dashboard will be able to enter and set up. Vehicle setup begins at 4 p.m. and must be ready to go at 5 p.m. Vehicles will not be allowed to leave the designated area until 8 p.m. for the safety of participants. The deadline to turn in the registration form is Friday, Oct. 23. Please return the registration form and check to Burleson County Chamber of Commerce; mail to: 301 N. Main Street, Caldwell, Texas 77836. The Chamber asks that you take your hand sanitizer and, of course, your mask.



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10. Texas Tech vs. Kansas State	20. Browns vs. Cowboys

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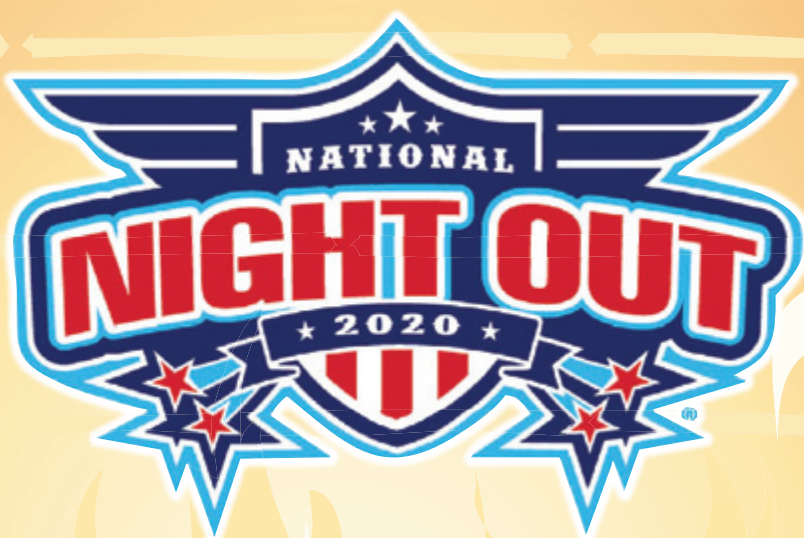
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Most ballots by mail sent to voters

The Burleson County Elections Office wants county residents to know that most of the ballots by mail have now been mailed to voters. All but about 30 of the ballots for the Somerville City Council and Somerville School Board races have been mailed, and the remainder should be mailed by Wednesday, Sept. 30, said Dorothy Oliver, the county's elections administrator. And the Caldwell City Council and Caldwell School Board ballots were scheduled to be mailed on Wednesday, Sept. 30, she said. The mailing was delayed due to a recent court ruling that required Oliver to re-work all of the ballots to include the names of three Green Party candidates in non-local elections, Oliver said. Oliver also reminds voters that the deadline to register to vote is Monday, Oct. 5. In addition, the deadline for the elections office to receive an application for ballot by mail is Oct. 23, she said. Applications are available online at the Secretary of State's web site, by stopping by the elections office or by calling the elections office and requesting them she said. However, she recommends not calling after Oct. 15, she said. Early voting for the Nov. 3 election is Oct. 13-30.



WAYNE LONG OF L&M Tree Growers of Rockdale displays his trees on Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Farmers Market in downtown Caldwell.



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