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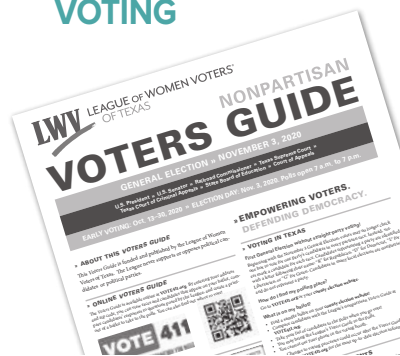


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WEATHER

Sept. 29-Oct. 5, 2020

Rainfall for this week00
Rainfall for September	3.74
Rainfall for October	.....	.00
Rainfall for 2020	.....	23.08
Normal for Date	.....	22.64
Same Date Last Year	.....	20.61
Low — Sept. 30	.....	42
High — Sept. 30, Oct. 1,2,5	.....	86

	High	Low	Rain
Tuesday	79	43	
Wednesday	86	42	
Thursday	86	45	
Friday	86	49	
Saturday	83	55	
Sunday	85	53	
Monday	86	53	
Total Rain			.00

Courtesy Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park.

Burn ban is off for Gillespie County. Use caution and call 997-5603 for information.



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FISD

Trustees face in-person, online learning challenges

Masks, remote learning, quarantines bring comments at Monday board meeting

By McKenzie Moellering
Standard-Radio Post reporter

Fredericksburg Independent School District Board of Trustees, staff and community members wrestled with mask compliance, remote learning and quarantine policies during a special meeting Monday night.

The more than two-hour meeting brought a packed room and passionate comments from both parents and instructors.

"I want to thank all the parents,

teachers and mentors for speaking tonight," Supt. Dr. Jeff Brasher said. "I want you to know that we do value you and we all share the same passion and love for our children and their success."

The board agreed 7-0 to make several amendments to its COVID-19 Return to School plan.

Key changes included updating the district mask policy, redefining close contact, altering which students qualify for remote learning and verifying verbiage used in regard to household positive cases.

Mask policy

Brasher recommended the mask policy be changed to "each student or staff member that wears their mask with fidelity and is within six feet or less of someone else who wears their mask with fidelity, will not be quarantined."

"Our mask is our only line of defense that is going to protect our teachers, our students, our cafeteria workers, our janitorial staff," board member Kelly DiCuffa said. "What are we going to do to ensure that kids wear them all the

FISD TRUSTEES ▶ A13

EDUCATION



George Burns teaches Spanish class remotely and in person at Fredericksburg High School Tuesday, Oct. 6. Some teachers are having to put in a lot of extra time to accommodate both sets of students during this pandemic. — Standard-Radio Post/Samuel Sutton

Hoping to ease teacher workload

District still looks for ways to balance resources, safety

By Samuel Sutton
Standard-Radio Post reporter

After the decision was made to continue providing remote learning at the Fredericksburg Independent School District, Supt. Dr. Jeffrey Brasher is looking at ways to help alleviate the heavy workloads of teachers.

The decision was made last Monday, Sept. 28, during the FISD Board of Trustees meeting.

Brasher feels the increased amount of work it takes to teach remote and in-person classes leaves teachers with little time to focus on students individually, which has an impact on student engagement. Based on preliminary data, Brasher estimates roughly 40% of remote learners are not actively engaged.

"If they're not logging in, you know they're not learning," Brasher said.

WORKLOAD ▶ A14

"I have to find material that works with my online students while still meeting TEKS guidelines. Usually, my online students are not doing the same rigorous work as my in-person students."

— Heather Davis, middle school instructor

FREDERICKSBURG

Christmas tree-lighting event nixed

Light poles in downtown blocks will be replaced

By Samuel Sutton

Standard-Radio Post reporter

Fredericksburg Convention and Visitor Bureau's annual Lighting of the German Christmas Pyramid and Community Christmas Tree event has been canceled for 2020 due to continuing safety concerns about spread of the coronavirus.

"Due to the current restrictions on outdoor events, the CVB will be unable to hold the traditional in-person event," City Parks Department Director Andrea Schmidt announced during the Oct. 5 regular City Council meeting.

The meeting was held in the H-E-B Community Room of the Hill Country University Center, 2818 U.S. 290 East.

Officials still plan to turn on the lights, which Schmidt said they plan to do by Nov. 12 in hopes of extending the holiday shopping season for

TREE LIGHTING ▶ A10

THE WEEKEND

Vintage tractor enthusiasts will crank up, ride

Antique tractors will wind their way through the Hill Country on Saturday, Oct. 10.

The ride is in place for the annual Bluebonnet Tractor Ride, which is typically held in April.

The antique tractors, automobiles, trucks and etc. will meet at the Texas Hills Sporting Range at Tivydale at 8 a.m.

COVID-19 protocols will be followed, including temperatures being taken and social distancing. Masks are encouraged.

A drivers' meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m. and the ride will begin shortly thereafter.

As in previous years, a "Sag Wagon" will follow the tractors to provide assistance to

TRACTOR RIDE ▶ A14

FUNDRAISER

Stonewall VFD, First Responders fish fry is drive-thru only this year

A drive-thru only version of the Stonewall Volunteer Fire Department and First Responders' 40th Annual Fish Fry will be offered on Saturday, Oct. 10.

Serving begins at 5 p.m. at the Stonewall Chamber of Commerce Building, and diners are asked to follow the signs that will be posted on U.S. Highway 290.

Food will be prepared and packaged by members and volunteers following Gillespie County Health Department guidelines and delivered to the vehicles.

The menu will include fried catfish, beans, potato salad, pre-packaged dessert and a utensil packet.

It was noted that they will not be able to serve beverages or homemade desserts this year.

DONATE

Those unable to attend but would like contribute can send their donation to P.O. Box 224, Stonewall, TX 78671. Conations also may be made via Venmo at www.venmo.com/StonewallVol-Firedepartment or Square at <http://stonewall-vol-fire-dept.square.site/>.

The Stonewall VFD and First Responders have also announced that there will not be an auction or prize drawing in conjunction with the fish fry, but plans are in the works for an online auction.

Pre-sale tickets for the fish fry

STONEWALL ▶ A14

ONLINE OKTOBERFEST



David Ewing, left, Terri Ewing, Laura Wilson and Linda Nevels gathered Saturday to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Oktoberfest in Fredericksburg at home. The event went virtual this year after in-person festivities were canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Fans of the event gathered at each others' homes to watch the festivities with their favorite beers and bratwurst. See more photos on page C/D10. — Submitted photo

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EVENTS CALENDAR

- ▶ Oct. 3-17
Kraut Run
(Virtual)
- ▶ Oct. 9-11
Mesquite Art Fest
(Canceled)
- ▶ Oct. 10
LBJ 100 Bicycle
Tour
(Canceled)
- ▶ Oct. 10
Fall Tractor Ride
- ▶ Oct. 10
Stonewall VFD
Fish Fry fundraiser
drive-thru only
- ▶ Oct. 10-11
FTC auditions
for 'Nuncrackers'
- ▶ Oct. 16-25
FTC presents
'Deathtrap'
- ▶ Oct. 17
Bestfest
(Canceled)
- ▶ Oct. 22-24
Fredericksburg
Food, Wine Fest
(Canceled)
- ▶ Oct. 24
Indian Artifact Show
(Canceled)
- ▶ Nov. 1-30
Virtual Turkey Trot
- ▶ Nov. 3
Election Day
- ▶ Nov. 6
First Friday Art
Walk
- ▶ Nov. 7-8
FTC presents
'Love Letters,'
fundraiser
- ▶ Nov. 7 - Jan. 3
Deer hunting season
- ▶ Nov. 8
Herbstfest
- ▶ Nov. 20-22
Fbg. Dance Co.
presents
'The Nutcracker'
- ▶ Nov. 26
Thanksgiving
- ▶ Nov. 27-29
The Peddler Show
- ▶ Nov. 27-Jan.
Eisbahn
- ▶ Individuals planning
to attend any of the
events listed are
reminded that the
schedules are
subject to change
due to COVID-19.



Bill Sadd and Julie Staffel rehearse a scene from the Fredericksburg Theater Company's fall mystery, "Deathtrap." The show will have six performances beginning Friday, Oct. 16, at 7:30 p.m. at the Steve W. Shepherd Theater. — Submitted photo

FTC postpones 'Deathtrap' opening

Six performances scheduled beginning next Friday, Oct. 16

Fredericksburg Theater Company (FTC) has announced that they have made the decision to postpone the opening of their production, "Deathtrap" to Friday, Oct. 16.

The Ira Levin mystery will now have six performances at the Steve W. Shepherd Theater.

"Because our sales are limited to only 50%, rising production costs are an issue for FTC," said Steve Reily, FTC executive director. "It is important to the board of directors and staff that we open a production with the same high quality and professionalism that our patrons have come to expect from FTC."

"This decision did not come lightly, but it is the right direction for the theater," Reily said.

FTC will rebook tickets for anyone who may have purchased seats for the opening weekend.

"We ask that patrons please

call the theater office to change their dates," he said. "Of course, we will also make every best effort to contact everyone that has purchased tickets. FTC will fully refund anyone as needed."

Reily added, "Of course, this situation is not ideal, but just like every small business in America, we are having to quickly adapt to unexpected events as they occur."

Performances, tickets

"Deathtrap" will open at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 16. Performances will continue at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and at 2 p.m. on Sundays through Oct. 25. Admission is \$29 for adults and \$12 for children 17 and under.

Box office hours are from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.fredericksburgtheater.org or by calling the box office at 888-669-7114.

For more information, visit www.fredericksburgtheater.org.

Cast

Cast in the production is Reily as Sidney Bruhl, Emery Dorman as Myra Bruhl, Richard Rogers as Clifford Anderson, Julie Staffel as Helga Ten Dorp, and Bill Sadd as Porter Milgrim.

Guest director Charlie Hukill will helm the production, and Courtney LeFan will serve as stage manager. Addison Powers, FTC production manager, is the lighting designer.

Guest artist Amber Nanni will serve as costume designer with Daniel Melton executing the scenic design.

The show

The story of the play centers on a world-famous thriller playwright named Sidney Bruhl. Unfortunately, Sidney is suffering from a chronic case of writers' block following a long line of box-

office flops, explained Reily. When one of his former students shows up at his doorstep with what might be the next Broadway hit, Sidney and his wife concoct a deadly plan to make the manuscript their own, Reily said.

Holding the record for the longest-running comedy-thriller on Broadway, "Deathtrap" is filled with twists and turns in a series of thrilling events.

"Deathtrap" playwright Ira Levin was a very successful author of novels and plays, Reily said.

Besides writing the popular stage comedy, "No Time For Sergeants," Levin also wrote several novels that were made into successful movies. These include "A Kiss Before Dying," "Rosemary's Baby," "The Stepford Wives" and "The Boys from Brazil."

"Deathtrap" was adapted into a 1982 film starring Michael Cain and Christopher Reeve.

Republican women's group to host local law enforcement lunch

Gillespie County Republican Women is holding its October meeting in honor of the local law enforcement officers.

The meeting is dedicated entirely to the local police and sheriff teams, said organizer Mary Saiidi, and will be held from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21, at the Gillespie County Law Enforcement Center, 1601 E. Main Street.

Lunch and beverages will be provided. The public is invited to the event.

"We are making every

effort to make your visit safe," Saiidi said. "Please observe the city directive for wearing masks and observing social

distancing." For more information, email Saiidi at marysaiidi@gmail.com.

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Silver Stars & Six Guns Gala to be hybrid virtual, live event

Fundraiser to benefit the Texas Rangers Heritage Center

The Texas Rangers Heritage Center is facing unique challenges in fundraising in the coronavirus era. As a result, its premier event this year will be a joint online and live, live-streamed auction, a streamlined and semi-virtual version of their traditional Silver Stars & Six Guns Gala.

The auction will culminate at a livestream event which will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10 at the Texas Rangers Heritage Center Pavilion in Fredericksburg. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, seating at the live event is limited to 75 attendees. (In the event of inclement weather, the event will move to the Pioneer Pavilion at Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park.)

Tickets for the live event are

\$100 per person and sponsor tables are also available.

The event will include a “social distancing” hour, a dinner by My Own Chef Catering, and entertainment by Clifton Jansky.

All COVID-19 health safety protocols will be observed (masks, temperature checks, hand-sanitizer stations, etc).

Those attending or bidding can also view the event remotely online, live. Starting 7:30 p.m. that evening, bids can be submitted either in person or via telephone.

The high bid for each item from the online auction will become the opening floor bid, at that time.

In addition to the auction, the drawing for a one-of-a-kind 1968 Charles Schreiner III Limited Edition Colt SAA

set (pistol engraved by Weldon Lister, rare book signed by all active and many retired Rangers, plus a Ranger badge in Lucite, all in a unique walnut show case — valued at over \$25,000) will be held during the event.

Tickets are still available at \$100 each by calling (830) 990-1192 before 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9.

The online auction will commence on Thursday, Oct. 1 with online bidding ending at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 9.

Bidders *must be registered* (no fee) in order to bid, either online, in person or by phone, or to view the live auction. To register or for more information, visit the website at www.trhc.org, or call (830) 990-1192.

FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK



Russell Terrell, of Fredericksburg, checks out work by Carlos Mosely at Artisans – A Texas Gallery on Friday as part of First Friday Art Walk. Terrell purchased a ceramic bird to honor his close friend who is sick and is nicknamed “Bird.” — Standard-Radio Post/McKenzie Moellering

4-H offers contest opportunities

Registration for fall contests in the Gillespie 4-H will be starting soon, it has been announced.

Contest opportunities include Entomology, Food Show, Family and Community Health Quiz Bowl, Horse Quiz Bowl, Livestock Quiz Bowl, Educational Presentations and Public Speaking.

Interested participants should contact the Gillespie County Extension Office at 830-997-3452 as the registration deadline is Oct. 30.

Youth in the third through 12th grades are eligible to participate in these contest opportunities.

All contests will take place in early December in Kerrville, and the Educational Presentations and Public Speaking contest will be conducted online through Zoom.

A short summary of the contests is below:

Entomology — Identify selected insects and complete a written examination on insects.

Food Show — Youth members will choose a recipe to prepare. Participants will

bring a dish prepared at home to the show to be presented to judges.

Family and Community Health Quiz Bowl — This contest helps participants increase their knowledge of basic nutrition, consumer information, food and kitchen safety, food preparation skills and storage, and nutrition and health.

The contest follows a “game show” teaching method and teams will compete against other teams.

Horse Quiz Bowl/Livestock Quiz Bowl is an opportunity to demonstrate all of the information that 4-Hers have gained through learning about livestock or equine topics.

It is a team event where youth compete against another team and whoever buzzes in first, gets to answer the question.

Educational Presentations

1. Entries may involve one or two 4-H members.

All members will need to have a role in the presentation.

2. Projectors and computers will be provided for each contest room by the superintendent.

4-H members will need to bring their own easel and/or slide clicker.

3. The time limit for Educational Presentations is 12 minutes for presentation and nine minutes for set up/take down.

Educational Presentation Category Choices:

Agricultural Technology and Farm Safety, Animal Science, Beef, Health and Wellness, Horse, Open (General), Open Ag and Natural Resources, Open Family Community Health, Promote 4-H, and Safety and Injury Prevention.

Public Speaking

1. Public Speaking is an individual contest. No team entries.

2. No props, visual aids, or audio/video recordings are permitted.

3. Time limit for public speaking presentations is five to eight minutes.

4. Topic should relate to current events that are relevant to youth.



Birdhouses of different shapes, styles and colors made by area students were on display over the weekend at Fredericksburg Art Guild. The gallery also held a drawing for chances to win the art pieces.

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Holy Ghost takes grant applications

Applications for grants from the Holy Ghost Lutheran Church Endowment Fund are being accepted, it has been announced.

Purpose of the Endowment Fund is to support the mission of Holy Ghost Lutheran Church, which is to “Be and Make Disciples of Jesus Christ.”

Applications may be picked up at the church office, 113 East San Antonio Street, or via the church website. Scroll down to the bottom of the main page, and under Main Links, click on Endowment Fund Documents.

Charities, faith-based organizations and other non-profit organizations are invited to apply by mail or in person to the church office no later than Oct. 31.

Limited grants are available, and are scheduled to be awarded in January 2021.

The Endowment Fund was established in February 2013. The fund continues to grow with monies from estate bequests, memorials and donations from individuals and businesses.

The Holy Ghost Lutheran Church seven-member Investment Team and a financial ad-

visor oversee the investments and administration of the Endowment Fund.

For more information about

supporting the Endowment Fund or other ministries, contact the church office at 830-997-2288.

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FREDERICKSBURG CITY COUNCIL RACE

The Candidates

The six candidates for Fredericksburg Mayoral and City Council races submitted brief candidate profiles for our readers. Information on the rest of the election, along with other races that will be on the ballot, is available elsewhere in this edition and in a special Voters Guide section run in cooperation from sponsors and the League of Women Voters Hill Country Chapter.

MAYOR

COUNCIL MEMBER (2 POSITIONS)



Charlie Kiehne

As a life-long Fredericksburger, I know and love our community. But what motivates me to ask for your vote for Mayor are the seventh generation of Kiehnes that call Fredericksburg home.

Fredericksburg is in a time of rapid change and my unique qualifications provide me with a great arsenal of experience to serve as your Mayor. I look forward to effectively, pragmatically and fairly serving as a steward of Fredericksburg's values and resources.

Over the past 40-plus years, I have:

- Been an active member of Fredericksburg's business community, owning and operating Kiehne's Exxon (across from the Nimitz) for 24 years before becoming a realtor and associate broker, a profession I have enjoyed for the past 20 years. This experience has allowed me to have my finger firmly on the pulse of our town's economic climate for an acute awareness of the challenges we all face — which provide me with the context and empathy necessary to consider what is best for our community as a whole.

- Served in various civic leadership roles, including the Fredericksburg Independent School District Board of Trustees for 11 years, five of which as president or secretary, president of St. Mary's Parish Board, as a justice of the peace, as a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission and of the Historical Committee that developed the original Historical District ordinance. Working with numerous stakeholders (sometimes with competing interests) to advance needed improvements — as I have done in the past (e.g., building the new elementary school and other improvements at all other Fisd campuses) — is essential to performing the job of a Mayor well.

- Volunteered for various events and organizations, including as a mentor for Fisd for the past 13 years, as past chairman for Optimist T-ball, and as a Leadership Gillespie County graduate. While economic and operational considerations are vitally important, neither should cause a Mayor to overlook any of our neighbors. Whether your family has been in Fredericksburg for six months or six generations, I will listen with the respect you deserve as a member of our community.

I graduated from St. Mary's High School, received a bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University and have completed post-graduate coursework at the University of Texas-San Antonio.

I have been married to Jeanne Kiehne (nee Scharnhorst) since 1974. We have three children, all of whom graduated from Fredericksburg High School, and seven grandchildren.

In my free time, I enjoy family activities, attending community events, ranching and hunting.

Your support and vote is greatly appreciated.



Graham Pearson

I'm running for mayor because I love Fredericksburg and all it represents. My ambition as mayor is to help preserve our city's history, culture, and strong sense of community, while guiding its inevitable progress.

To do that, I'll use my international business experience; my broad education background with degrees in engineering, business and music; and my personal experience from years of being actively involved in Fredericksburg's wonderful community.

After graduating with a Ph.D. in chemical engineering in 1976, I worked in West Virginia for a chemical company. I moved to Houston in 1980 to work for the president of a \$450 million oil company, analyzing business economics and investment opportunities.

In 1987, I became a partner in an international company that manufactured chemical processing software. We grew into a \$6 million company in 8 years. During this time, I was chief financial officer and managed the software development and customer support teams.

I started visiting Fredericksburg in 1981. When we sold the software company in 1998, my wife, Renée, and I were confident Fredericksburg was the best place to enjoy our retirement.

After getting involved with a neighborhood development issue in 2005, I became a regular attendee at council and city budget meetings. In 2010, I was elected to city council and served for seven years. For four of those years, my fellow council members appointed me mayor pro tem.

For 11 years, I've been a range safety officer for SystemsGo and I'm a mentor at Fredericksburg Middle School. I've been a member of the Bethany Lutheran praise team for 12 years. I've helped sponsor the annual Fredericksburg Jazz Festival and I organize the PCAA series of summer concerts on Marktplatz. I support several local nonprofits, including the Admiral Nimitz Foundation, PAWS and SPCA.

I can dedicate all of my energy to being your full-time mayor. I approach issues with an unbiased balance of no-nonsense business, budgeting and planning experience, combined with a creative talent for problem solving and willingness to listen.

I do not approach the mayoral office with any single-issue or personal agenda. As mayor, my job is not to dictate change but to implement change that's agreed upon by all parties involved to benefit our community.

As your mayor, I'll act as one of our city's chief ambassadors. I'll represent the city at ceremonies that celebrate our veterans and wounded warriors; our cultural heritage; and other events that present us as a world-class community.

Fredericksburg has benefitted from a history of civic leaders who have fostered the development of our community through careful stewardship. As your mayor, it is my job to emulate their leadership and to keep Fredericksburg the special place it has always been.



Timothy Ellis Riley

I'm not asking for donations. I'm asking for your vote.

I'm not asking to put a sign in your yard. I'm asking for your vote.

I'm not spending thousands of my own dollars on advertising. I'm asking for your vote.

I'm going to establish a positive political culture for our community. I'm asking for your vote.

I'm guided by "The Path to the Future," written by the citizens of our community. I'm asking for your vote.

I'm a born leader, ask my first-grade teacher. I'm asking for your vote.

I'm guaranteeing results. With your vote.

You are my neighbor and friend. I'm asking for your vote, please.

You deserve better representation. I'm asking for your vote, thank you.

Your trust is sacred. I'm asking for your vote.

You have a voice worth being heard. I'm asking for your vote.

Our city needs to prioritize quality affordable housing for our essential workforce. Vote.

Our city needs to offer more education outreach to our community. Vote.

Our city needs vibrant leadership. Vote.

Our city needs you.

Did you know, city council meetings can incorporate "live polling," offering citizens a consistent opportunity to contribute their ideas, time and expertise? I guarantee having more outreach involving local and county citizens along with elected officials.

Did you know that curbside recycling is a viable reality within my two-year term? I serve as vice president of a local nonprofit called Fredericksburg Shines, dedicated to issues such as these.

Did you know that we can create more revenues, while investing in the small town culture that makes Fredericksburg home?

In our current political climate, to win this election, do I need to have the most signs?

What do these signs say about actual qualifications and experience? I can guarantee electing me gives more citizens a chance to be heard. I can guarantee electing me will better represent our community locally, regionally, statewide and internationally.

When people all over Texas and the world look up Fredericksburg, who do you want them to see? Who do you think will offer a better chance for increased revenues and opportunities for our local businesses?

When our community looks in the mirror today, who is the best candidate for that reflection?

Go to my website, look at the calendar and find a time to meet me in person, call me, write to me, attend upcoming ZOOM events, hike Enchanted Rock or cycle the Willow City Loop!

You have a chance to get to know a leader with the stamina to go further than the finish line. I am a teacher, farmer, athlete, artist, caregiver, mentor, family-man and the person this community needs to lead, while always following.



Jerry Luckenbach

I am a lifelong resident of our community with family connections back to founder John O. Meusebach. I helped build and run the family business, Knopp Nursing Homes, Inc., employing more than 300 people, and serving as an owner and administrator until retiring seven years ago.

I have always been active and involved in the community. As a member of Bethany Lutheran Church, I served one term on church council and am a current member of the church choir. I am also a long-term member of the local chapter of Lions Clubs International; active for many years with the Fredericksburg Youth Baseball Association; and have worked on several charitable projects such as the MS150 Hill Country Bicycle Race to raise funds for Multiple Sclerosis, the Heart Association and Cancer research.

My first involvement with local government began when I was asked to serve on the City Charter Committee in 1990. The Home Rule Charter that this committee formed was adopted in 1991 and the City still operates under this charter. I have served a total of 12 years on the City Council under two different mayors. My most recent tenure was served from May 2015 through May 2019. During these recent two terms, there was concern for affordable housing, and the city approved incentives for building apartment and townhouse developments to rapidly improve the situation. The golf course at Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park was a financial concern for the city and I served on the Golf Course Management Committee, contracting a new, professional management company with good results.

I also served on the Relief Route committee working with the state, creating an alternate truck route to improve Main Street safety. The plan was approved by the joint committees, but unfortunately has been significantly changed by a new TxDOT team.

Other important city projects worked on were developing Entry Corridor Standards; bringing in a Convention Center development to stimulate west end and weekday business (which has since been derailed by the COVID-19 pandemic).

After sitting out last year, it has become apparent that the Relief Route has not been settled to community satisfaction. I would like to explore working with the county to build the originally planned relief route, rather than accept the TxDOT proposal, which was not well received by the community for being too large.

While progress has been made in housing, more needs to be done, and I am familiar with the city's goals, and the limitations imposed by the state legislature.

The COVID-19 pandemic has created new economic challenges for the city which will need to be addressed. I have experience in these areas and would like to continue serving the community during this critical time, with your support.



Tom Musselman

My name is Tom Musselman and I am running for re-election on the Fredericksburg City Council.

I currently serve on the Fredericksburg City Council (2018-2020) and have previously served as Councilman (2005-2010) and as Mayor (2010-2012). I am a former Fredericksburg Independent School District high school history teacher (1992-2018) and Main Street businessman (1976-1989).

I am running for re-election to the Fredericksburg City Council because public service is my life. As an educator for 26 years and having served on city council for nine years, I feel I have the knowledge of our town and the experience and dedication to serve its citizens.

I was a member of the City Charter Review Committee (2015-2016), served on the Vision 20/20 Committee, and am a graduate of Leadership Gillespie County Class of 2008. I also sat on the City Board of Adjustments and was co-chair of the Community Visioning Government Committee.

A native of Houston, I have lived in Fredericksburg for 46 years. During this time, I have seen the many changes and growth of the community. It is important to realize that change is inevitable, as well as being essential, to our town's success.

But as we grow and evolve, we must also meet the challenge of protecting our citizens' quality of life, keeping what makes our town special, and retaining our German heritage, history and architecture.

I have been married for 38 years to my wife, Kelly (Chamber Volunteer of the Year 2016), and we have a son, Judge Karl-Thomas Musselman, age 35, a Justice of the Peace in Williamson County.

It is an honor and a privilege to serve on City Council and I hope the citizens of our fine community will entrust me with this duty once again in this election. Thank you.



Michael Poole

My name is Michael Poole, but my friends know me as "Mickey."

I had the good fortune of growing up in Texas, just a stone's throw from the NASA Space Center, near Houston. It was a real benefit attending school with the astronauts' kids, and being part of a community that was involved with space exploration and the advancement of cutting-edge technology.

I was inspired to do well in school, as an honor student, and outside of school, as an Eagle Scout. My church, family, school and scouting provided me a deep-rooted code of integrity and high personal ethics. Diana, my wife of 37 years and my two sons continue to inspire me, each and every day.

With a degree in finance from U.T., I graduated from the classroom and the theoretical, into the real world. I began as a Data Analyst at the Computer Science Corporation at NASA, and later became the Construction Manager for Pulte Homes, and advanced to the position of General Manager with Lynn Watkins, overseeing construction of residential and commercial projects for 10 years, with projects often exceeding \$10 million.

With this background, I went on to a top management position with Prudential Securities, fully utilizing my education and experience in finance. After a few years in the financial industry, I took the leap of faith, and began my own business, building and managing the Chalk Bluff Campground, outside of Uvalde. The campground, on 400 acres, included over 50 cabins and 200 campsites on the Nueces River, and later I added a custom waterslide for families to enjoy.

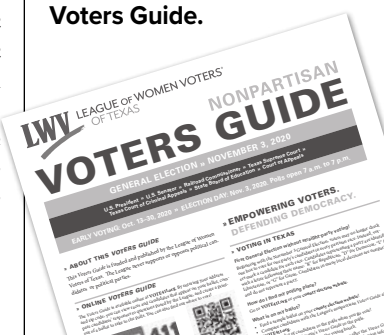
In 2014, I decided to make Fredericksburg my home, and bought the Comfort Inn & Suites on Washington Street, and resided there as a resident owner and manager. While running the Inn, I decided to further invest in the community, and purchased 180 acres on property along the Pedernales River on U.S. 290 East. Together, with a joint partner, Stone Canyon Homes, I am developing Fredericksburg's first Tiny Home community, Edgewater Springs, which will serve, in part, the affordable housing needs of our citizens, business owners, and institutions like Hill Country Memorial and Fisd.

The \$64,000 question you may be asking is, "Why run for City Council?" Actually, it is a \$72 million question: the amount of our current annual city budget.

With a background in finance, construction and management, I have seen repeated actions by city government to turn Main Street into another Sixth Street, and put in another I-35 highway that will destroy the historical ambiance of our community.

The time for professional planning and city management is now. With your vote, and approval, together we can start that process.

INSIDE
Find information on state and national political races in this edition in our LWV Voters Guide.



Local teachers awarded \$43,000

The Fredericksburg ISD Education Foundation recently awarded 13 grants totaling, \$43,137.

Grants were given to teachers at Fredericksburg Elementary School, Fredericksburg Middle School and Fredericksburg High School.

Grants awarded as follows:

- FES Science, \$1,688, funds will support science curriculum through a hands-on science club that will progress to a local science fair and then to the Austin Regional Science Fair;

- FES, Music, \$1,633, funds will be used to purchase a sound system to be used for FES music performances and daily classroom use;

- FMS, Special Education, \$3,059, funds will be used to support digital learning through the purchase of iPads;

- FMS, Math, \$346, purchase of Wobble Chairs that will be used for small group learning;

- FMS, Principles of Architecture/Woodshop, \$9,200, funds will be used to purchase a portable sawmill and a table saw. These items will provide more equipment for students as class sizes have steadily increased over the last 10 years;

- FMS/FHS, Career and Technical Ed, \$8,000, grant will be used to help students prepare for college, career or military, offering industry-based certifications;

- FHS, UIL Academics, \$3,338, funds will be used to expand the UIL Academics program by adding computer applications, which requires new laptops and printers;

- FHS, English, flexible seating, \$3,467, funds will be used to purchase standing tables,



Fredericksburg ISD Education Foundation member Tony DiCuffa presents FMS math teacher Natalie Vogel with a check to be used to purchase Wobble Chairs. The chairs will allow for students to learn in smaller group settings.



Fredericksburg Middle School principles of architecture and wood shop teacher Chris Turner was awarded \$9,200 from the Fredericksburg ISD Education Foundation on Thursday. Funds will be used to purchase a portable sawmill and table saw. Turner has seen a steady increase in students participating in his class and needs updated equipment to accommodate those needs.

— Standard-Radio Post/McKenzie Moellering

allowing for intermingling, more room, social distancing and more;

- FHS, History, OnRamps U.S. History, \$3,000, this will be paid enrollment for students taking Texas OnRamps courses for U.S. History;

- FHS, Social Emotional

Learning, \$6,845, Purpose Prep curriculum will be used for social emotional learning and used with Edgenuity;

- FHS, Career and Technical Education, CTE Food Science Program, \$1,814; this grant will equip students in the Food Science Course to complete

classroom labs, including field investigations;

- FHS, Audio/Video production, \$747, this will allow students to live stream various content.

For more on the Fredericksburg ISD Education Foundation, visit fisd.org.

Hoover announces retirement from Historical Society

Gillespie County Historical Society's board of directors is searching for a new executive director after Jeryl Hoover has stepped away following the 175th anniversary weekend next May.

The executive director position, which Hoover has held since June 2015, is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the organization, including supervising staff, managing the finances, overseeing programs, directing membership development, fundraising and grant-writing.

The society owns and operates Pioneer Museum and the Vereins Kirche. Its main campus on West Main Street consists of 10 historic structures and the Fredericksburg Volunteer Fire Department Museum.

The society houses over 60,000 artifacts and archives directly related to the history of Gillespie County.

The Vereins Kirche on Marktplatz has recently been renovated to tell the story of its history and significance.

The society also owns the Schandua House on East Austin Street and manages the Meusebach/Marschall Cemetery at Cherry Spring. It also manages visitor tours for Gillespie County's historic 1885 jail.

GCHS's annual budget is \$669,000. Staff includes three full-time and 12 part-time employees.

Over 37,000 people visited

Pioneer Museum and the Vereins Kirche in 2019.

In 2016, the Pioneer Museum began to fulfill the requirements for national accreditation. This involved completing Core Documents Verification, a process of writing five industry standard policies that guide the professional operations of a museum. Policies are a mission statement, code of ethics, collections management policy, strategic institutional plan, and emergency preparedness/disaster recovery plan.

Application for accreditation was submitted last fall, and the self-study required as the final requirement, was completed and submitted in September.

The remainder of the process is a site visit by a peer reviewer and the consideration of the American Alliance of Museums Commission in June 2021. If achieved, the Pioneer Museum will join with the National Museum of the Pacific War as the second nationally accredited museum in Fredericksburg.

The search for a new executive director will include posting the job on national, regional and state museum sites.

Those interested in applying are invited to download the job description listing qualifications and responsibilities from the museum's website at www.pioneermuseum.net.

Gillespie Democrats to meet via Zoom on Oct. 21

A monthly meeting, conducted under a Zoom format, has been scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21, for members of the Gillespie County Democratic Association by club president Lee Wilson.

In addition to reports on association preparations for the approaching Nov. 3 general election, organization mem-

bers will also hear a Nominations Committee report naming individuals who have agreed to be considered for the club's 2021 term of office.

Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at this month's meeting in advance of the group's officer vote set for a Nov. 18 membership meeting.

In addition to other business as well as a program presen-

tation being prepared for this month's meeting, Wilson said that association bylaws recommendations will be sent soon to club members for review in advance of a membership vote on Oct. 21.

Association members who have paid their current organization dues will receive an email invitation to the meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 20.

Others who would like to pay dues and join the meeting are asked to email club treasurer Becky Walch (gillespiedems@gmail.com).

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Amparito Lopez passed away in Fredericksburg on Monday, September 21, 2020. She was born on May 19, 1923 in Mexico, and lived in Fredericksburg for the final part of her life. She was able to meet her great-great grandson in February of 2020 at the Windcrest Nursing Home. Pictured left to right: Norma Martinez, granddaughter; Daniel Bedolla Jr., great grandson; Elias Bedolla, great-great grandson; and Honorina Martinez, daughter. She will be greatly missed by her family, and was a great mother to all her children.

Meet the CANDIDATES

Be Prepared to Vote This Time!

Fredericksburg Mayoral and City Council Candidates

Mayor Pick One	Council Pick Two
Charlie Kiehne	Tom Musselman
Graham Pearson	Jerry Luckenbach
Timothy E. Riley	Mickey Poole

Answered 16 Questions on local issues

Find the Questions and Answers here:
<https://fredericksburgteaparty.org/election-2020/>

Topics:

Planning and Growth:
Annexation; Convention center/tourism
Water, Landfill & Recycling
Elderly, disabled & Low-income assistance Truck relief routes, Traffic flow and pedestrian safety

Small Town Uniqueness:

How to maintain it in general
Property rights, B-n-Bs, Noise ordinance

Budgets:

Recovery from recent revenue losses
3 largest budget issues in the next 5 years

Operations:

Law enforcement and first responders
City services for entities outside city limits
Improving our current waste, Landfill and recycling

Define your most important issue

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MY 2 CENTS

Penny McBride



Let's tune out the noise and listen to others

When I turned 18, I could not wait to vote. It was 1984 and I was especially happy that my first trip to the ballot box included the election of the next President of the United States.

I found it so strange that my maternal grandmother, born before the passage of the 19th Amendment, had never exercised her right to vote and I talked her into doing so for the first time on the same day as me.

Leading up to that election, we talked a lot, but access to each candidate's platform was not all that easy to find for two first-time voters. We read the paper, watched televised events and asked my parents and our friends lots of questions. Pretty much everyone I knew at the time planned to vote the same way and for mostly the same reasons. Looking back some 35-plus years later, I would not describe myself as an uninformed young voter, but my decisions were shaped by a much smaller, more homogenous sphere of influence.

In college, I immediately met lots of people with differing ideas, opinions and beliefs and loved being in the midst of it all. Often times, I passively listened, simply wanting to hear new and different voices. But this was the time and place I started to find my own voice, too, and entered the discussion. I became very active in school government and increasingly involved as a volunteer with state and national candidates, even meeting an early presidential candidate in 1988.

I enjoyed being around people with whom I could rigorously debate issues and ideas, but remain friends. I especially remember a fellow named John Harris. He was several years older than me, having started college after first spending time in the workforce. John and I disagreed on everything and I relished trying to best him in

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Fredericksburg CVB names three to board

The board of directors of the Fredericksburg Convention and Visitor Bureau (FCVB) recently welcomed the addition of two new board members and the reappointment of one board member.

On Sept. 8, the Fredericksburg City Council approved the appointment of Doug Cochran and Dr. Rorie Cartier to the FCVB board for three-year terms.

Miguel Lecuona, who just completed a three-year term, has been appointed to serve another three-year term.

"We are excited to welcome a new face and some former members back to the board of the FCVB," said Ernie Loeffler, president and CEO, of the bureau. "We will count on their experience and knowledge as we work to market our great destination through the conclusion of the COVID-19 pandemic."

Cochran previously served on the FCVB board from 2014-19, serving as vice chairperson in 2016-17 and chairperson in 2017-18. He



Cochran



Cartier



Lecuona

has been the park superintendent at Enchanted Rock State Natural Area since 2013. Under his leadership, Enchanted Rock was one of the first state parks in Texas to achieve Dark Sky Park Gold Tier Status with the International Dark Sky Association.

Cochran graduated from Texas A&M University in 1982 with a bachelor of science degree in parks and recreation. He has been a Certified Tourism Executive with the Texas Travel Alliance since 2017.

Cartier is the museum director of the National Museum of the Pacific War. A native of New Orleans, Dr. Cartier has bachelor of arts and master of arts degrees in history from the University of North Carolina Greensboro, a master of arts degree

in European Studies from the Universiteit van Amsterdam in the Netherlands, and a doctorate in history from Trinity College Dublin.

Cartier moved to Fredericksburg in 2017 with his wife, Erin, and their dogs.

Lecuona is the co-founder of Siboney Cellars, a new winery in the Texas Hill Country. He has a master of business administration degree from North Carolina and is a master of business administration graduate of INSEEC-Bordeaux.

Lecuona and wife Barbara founded the winery in 2017 with a full production facility slated to open in 2021. He is also a Nikon professional photographer and owner of Hill Country Light Photography. His work is found in tasting rooms, billboards, Decanter and many websites.

The FCVB staff and board thanked the board members who completed their terms: Krista Gratigni, direc-

tor of visitor services, the Admiral Nimitz Foundation; and Stephen Harris, owner of Insight Gallery.

Other board members

- Claudyne Clark, owner of Class A Event Rentals and Featherstone Ranch
- Kelly Criddle, senior marketing manager for The Hangar Hotel, Fredericksburg Herb Farm and the Fredericksburg Brewing Company
- Katelyn Eames, manager of Burg's Corner and Allied Ag Services in Stonewall
- Mary Easterling, owner of Easterling Custom Boot Company
- Linda Goldsmith, general manager of Luckenbach Texas
- Larry Jackson, owner of Larry Jackson Fine Art & Antiques
- Jessica Mittel, owner of Gästehaus Schmidt Reservation Service
- Mary Ann H. Turbeville, owner of Hill Country Outfitters, The Grasshopper and Narrow Path Winery.

Ex-officio members

- Fredericksburg City Councilman Tom Musselman
- Gillespie County Commissioner Donnie Schuch

Businesses, offices plan to close for Columbus Day

Some area businesses and offices will close their doors for Columbus Day, Monday Oct. 12.

City, state and county offices will be open, while federal offices will close.

Columbus Day closings

- Government**
- Federal offices: Closed.
 - State offices: Open.
 - County offices: Open.
 - City offices: Open.

- Postal Service**
- The Post Office will be closed on Monday in observance of Columbus Day.

- Garbage, Recycling**
- Trash Collection: Regular trash collection will continue.
 - Recycling Center: The recycling center will be open.

- Landfill: The landfill will be open.

- Newspaper**
- The *Fredericksburg Standard-Radio Post* will be open Monday.
 - The newspaper will be published on Wednesday, Oct. 14, as usual.
 - Deadline to submit news stories is Monday, Oct. 12, at 4 p.m. Persons are encouraged to submit their news as early as possible, to ensure publication.
 - Real Estate and Display: Monday, Oct. 12, at 4 p.m.
 - Classifieds: Tuesday, Oct. 13, at 9 a.m.

- Schools**
- Students at the Fredericksburg Independent School District, Ambleside School and the Doss Consolidated Common School District will not attend school on Columbus Day.

DBA FILINGS

The following individuals have filed "Doing Business As" documents since Sept. 28 with the Gillespie County Clerk's office:

- Johnny Gorden as Hill Country Softwash & Powerwash;
- John Marcus Holley as San Saba Soap Company;
- Joseph John Kautz as Texas Hills

- Gunsmiting;
- Carol Rode as Sewing by Design;
 - Bruce Rode as Rocky Ridge Ranch;
 - Jennifer McBee as Service 1st Insurance;
 - John Green as Texas Pool Medic;
 - Agent LLC as Red Oak Sojourn;
 - Adazzled LLC as Adazzled Canine Services.

Historic District Guidelines meeting set for Tuesday

City of Fredericksburg officials are looking for public feedback on a draft of Historic District Design Guidelines and Standards.

A public meeting to review the guidelines will be held in person and through Zoom at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, in the H-E-B Community Room of the Hill Country University Center, 2818 U.S. 290 East.

The city entered into a contract with HHM & Associates along with Winter & Company to create new design guidelines for historic properties. The guidelines are a guide for the community, city staff and the Fredericksburg Historic Review Board to use when evaluating the appropriateness of exterior changes to buildings and new construction proposed within the local historic district and local landmarks.

Property owners can use the guidelines to understand the appropriate methods of improving their historic property. The guidelines are a resource for property owners,

builders, architects and realtors to use in order to: understand the reasons for; the proper methods of; and the overall benefits of historic preservation, both to the individual and the community.

In January, the kickoff public meeting was held to gather input for a draft of the guidelines. The draft is now available for review and comments at <https://www.fbgtx.org/999/Design-Guidelines>.

Printed copies of the draft are also available to view at Pioneer Memorial Library, City Hall, Fredericksburg Chamber of Commerce and the Central Hill Country Board of Realtors.

To RSVP for the meeting, email ahudson@fbgtx.org by Monday, Oct. 12.

The meeting will also be streamed online. To view the meeting, go to www.zoom.us use the Meeting ID, 862-2117-0939.

For more information, contact Historic Preservation Officer Anna Hudson at 830-990-2026, or at ahudson@fbgtx.org.

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Providing a warm welcome and thanks to our visitors

On Oct. 1, the staff at the Fredericksburg Visitor Information Center (VIC) started down the path of returning to some sense of normal services.

Our new hours of operation at the VIC are Mondays through Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sundays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For six months, all of our wide selection of brochures about towns and cities around the state of Texas, as well as information about all of our wonderful local partners, had been covered up in our effort to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Visitors who come to the VIC can now browse the brochure racks again.

For those who wish, an "express packet" is still available to grab and go. The express packet contains essential information for a visit to Fredericksburg and Gillespie County.

All persons entering the VIC must still wear a face covering, and hand sanitizer is readily available to our guests.

The staff continues to work primarily behind a plexiglass shield at the front desk to protect both our staff and our visitors.

FCVB Notes

Ernie Loeffler



Floor decals remind guests to practice social distancing while waiting in line to talk to a travel counselor. We have removed the stanchions that helped form lines so the lobby feels more welcoming again.

For the time being, we still are not showing our Fredericksburg video in the theater. However, the video is available online at VisitFredericksburgTX.com.

For those considering a visit to Fredericksburg, the website of the Fredericksburg Convention and Visitor Bureau is a great resource for information.

During the month of September, we are excited to report we had 136,357 unique visitors to VisitFredericksburgTX.com, up from 65,426 in September of 2019. This September visitation to the site was a record for a one-month time frame. Our marketing team feels this bodes very well for future visitation to our destination this fall. Although we all missed the

"in-person" excitement and fun of our annual Fredericksburg Oktoberfest celebration this year, town was busy this past weekend. Many of our accommodations around the city and in the county — particularly guesthouses and short term rentals — were occupied again this past Friday and Saturday.

We are indeed thankful that visitors from around Texas are making their way to our town for a bit of relaxation and distraction from all of the craziness that surrounds all of us daily. However, we continue to stress on our website that we all need to practice safety protocols to "Protect FBG."

Many tourism destinations are suffering significantly more than Fredericksburg and Gillespie County from the downturn of travel due to COVID-19.

Please continue to welcome our visitors with our brand of Texan hospitality. And by all means, please say "thank you for visiting Fredericksburg and Gillespie County!"

Loeffler is the president and CEO of the Fredericksburg Convention and Visitor Bureau.

Burns joins William Chris Vineyards

Texas-based William Chris Vineyards at Hye has announced that Joseph Burns has joined the company as director of wholesale.



Burns

He brings over 15 years of direct experience in both domestic and international wholesale distribution and retail operations.

Burns started his career in the specialty food business,

managing a private label line of Italian gourmet food products before transitioning to wholesale specialty beverage sales. He has held a number of positions over the years in several top organizations, including CR Goodman, Ben

E. Keith Specialty Beverage, and The Flying Saucer, has consulted with specialty

beverage manufacturers, distributors and retailers, both in Texas and in Italy.

In his role as director of wholesale, Burns will focus on expanding William Chris Vineyards' retail presence in both off-premises and on-premises accounts throughout the country.

For more information, visit www.williamchrismwines.com and follow on Facebook and Instagram @WilliamChrisVineyards.

HCTC receives DOER Program Award

HCTC, headquartered in Ingram, has been recognized by the FCC for its efforts to serve its residents during the pandemic.

Recently, FCC Commissioner Geoffrey Starks created the Digital Opportunity Equity Recognition (DOER) Program to acknowledge the efforts of individuals and corporations to 'close the digital divide in communities without access to affordable, reliable broadband," said Craig Cook, chief executive officer

of HCTC.

"In mid-September, the FCC announced the honorees of the inaugural DOER Program and HCTC was one of only 22 individuals, organizations and corporations nationwide to be recognized for its efforts," Cook said.

Of the total 22 awardees, 11 were service providers like HCTC, and HCTC was the only Texas company to be recognized.

"We are honored to accept the recognition that each

and every one of our employees helped us earn," Cook said. "Through the DOER program award, we've been recognized as a leader in our industry by going above and beyond to expand the availability of essential and affordable broadband services to those in need right here in the heart of Texas."

He added, "It is a privilege to be given this award and for us to continue to provide reliable Internet access to the communities we serve."

HCM updates visitation policy

Hill Country Memorial has announced changes to its visitation policy.

Effective Monday, Oct. 5, HCM will allow one visitor per patient per stay.

Exceptions will be made in the following instances:

- Pediatric patients will be allowed two visitors per patient per stay;

• Non-COVID hospice patients may have two visitors per patient per time.

All visitors must stay in the hospital room with the patient, follow the visitation policy rules and wear a mask when in the building.

Visitors will be screened upon entrance. Those that have a tem-

perature of 100.4 degrees or greater or who are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 will not be allowed to enter.

Restricted hours for non-COVID-19 patients is from 1-3 p.m.

For more information on the visitation policy, call 830-990-6100 or visit hcmcovid19.org.

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constructs of logic. He often frustrated me, but our discussions always made me look at issues in a way I would not have on my own. While we never became the kind of friends who would hang out, he was always a person whose opinion mattered to me, no matter how far it differed from my own.

It was these conversations and similar others that helped me to understand what mattered to me as a voter; and I found that the issues that were important to me, my family and my community were not as simple as red or blue. I began to see many shades of purple, too.

Next Thursday, Oct. 15, the Fredericksburg Chamber of Commerce will host a Candidate Forum for the mayoral and council member candidates who are on the ballot Nov. 3. In light of the current uptick in COVID-19 cases, the event will be produced virtually.

The Chamber's goal is to allow each candidate to express their ideas, issues and goals by responding to a broad set

of questions related to community matters. Our forum is unbiased and non-partisan. It will be a conversation, not a debate, to help voters select leaders that best align with their interests, values and priorities.

I hope many in the community will participate. Thanks to technology, we will record the event for later viewing on-demand for those who cannot clear the date.

I also hope that each and every voter, regardless of political affiliation, will take the time to learn about the candidates at every level of the ballot and make informed, and authentic choices. There's a lot of noise out there, but the decisions and their consequence are entirely yours.

McBride is the president and CEO of the Fredericksburg Chamber of Commerce.

LEGAL NOTICE ANNUAL STOCKHOLDER'S MEETING

The Gillespie County Fair & Festivals Association, Inc. Annual Stockholder's Meeting will be held October 13, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fair Offices at 530 Fair Drive on Highway 16 South, Fredericksburg, Texas.

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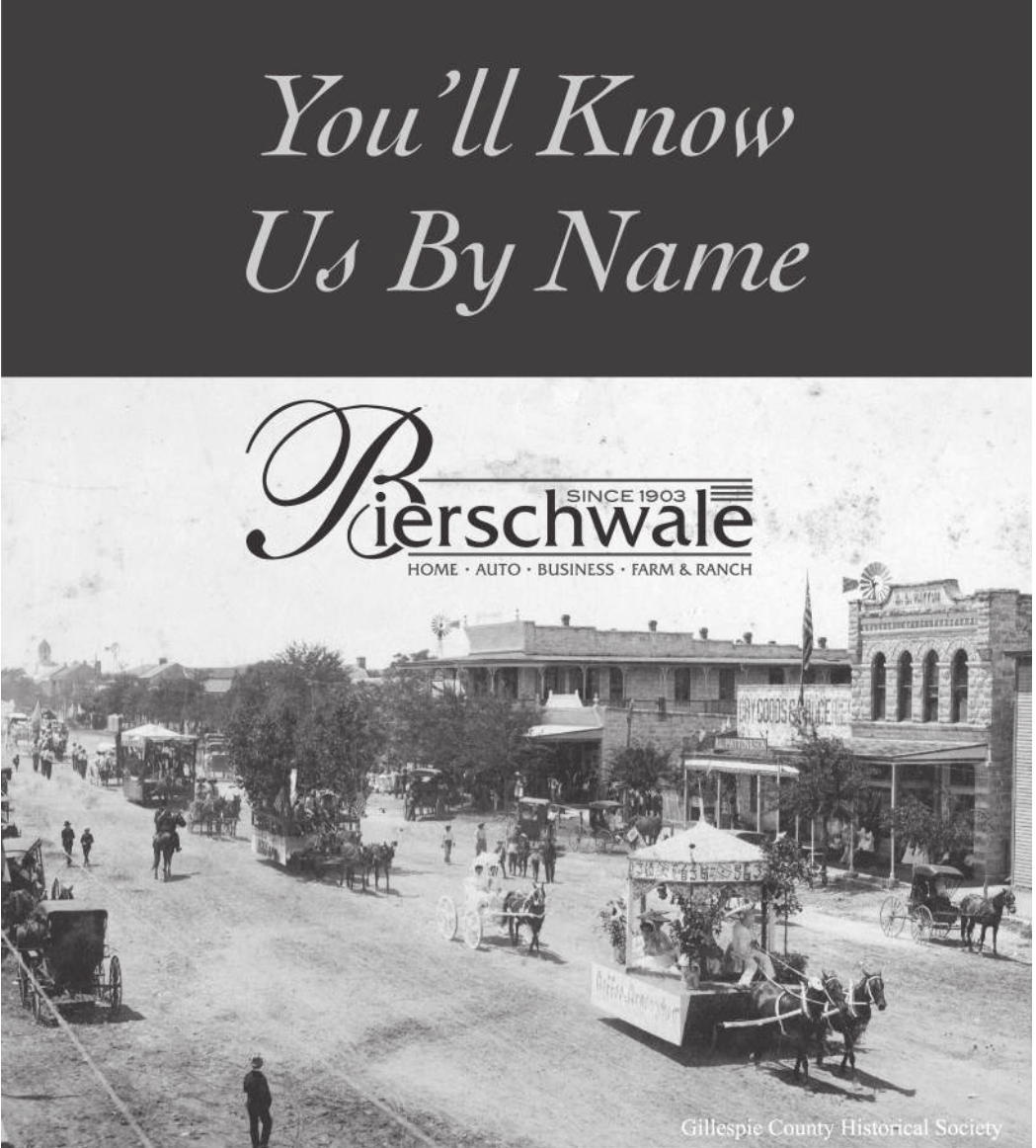


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Early voting ready to begin

On Tuesday for 2020 General Election

Early voting for the November 2020 General Election is set to begin Tuesday, Oct. 13. Early voting will continue through Friday, Oct. 30. Absentee ballot requests must be received by Oct. 23. Completed ballots must be postmarked by Nov. 3.

Early voting locations, times

The Gillespie County Elections Administration has announced early voting locations and times ahead of the November election.

All early voting will take place at Gillespie County Annex 2, 102 East San Antonio Street.

Dates and times are as follows:

- Tuesday, Oct. 13: 7 a.m.-7 p.m.;
- Wednesday, Oct. 14: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.;
- Thursday, Oct. 15: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.;
- Friday, Oct. 16: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.;
- Saturday, Oct. 17: closed;
- Sunday, Oct. 18: 1-3 p.m.;
- Monday, Oct. 19: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.;
- Tuesday, Oct. 20: 7 a.m.-7 p.m.;
- Wednesday, Oct. 21: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.;
- Thursday, Oct. 22: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.;
- Friday, Oct. 23: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.;
- Saturday, Oct. 24: closed;
- Sunday, Oct. 25: 1-3 p.m.;
- Monday, Oct. 26: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.;
- Tuesday, Oct. 27: 7 a.m.-7 p.m.;
- Wednesday, Oct. 28: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.;
- Thursday, Oct. 29: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.;
- Friday, Oct. 30: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Races on the ballot

Gillespie County voters will see the presidential race and several other items on the ballot.

They include:

- **President and Vice President:** Donald J. Trump/Mike Pence (REP); Joseph R. Biden/Kamala D. Harris (DEM); Jo Jorgensen/Jeremy (Spike) Cohen (LIB); Howie Hawkins/Angela Walker (GRN); or a write-in.
- **U.S. Senator:** John Cornyn (REP); Mary (MJ) Hegar (DEM); Kerry Douglas McKennon (LIB); David B. Collins (GRN).
- **U.S. Representative, District 21:** Chip Roy (REP); Wendy Davis (DEM); Arthur DiBianca (LIB); Tommy Wakely (GRN).
- **Railroad Commissioner:** James (Jim) Wright (REP); Chrysta Castañeda (DEM); Matt Sterett (LIB); Katija (Kat) Gruene (GRN).

Chief Justice, Supreme Court: Nathan Hecht (REP); Amy Clark Meachum (DEM); Mark Ash (LIB).

Justice Supreme Court, Place 6: Jane Bland (REP); Kathy Cheng (DEM).

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 7: Jeff Boyd (REP); Staci Williams (DEM); William Bryan Strange III (LIB).

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 8: Brett Busby (REP); Gisela D. Triana (DEM); Tom Oxford (LIB).

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3: Bert Richardson (REP); Elizabeth Davis Frizell (DEM).

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 4: Kevin Patrick Yeary (REP); Tina Clinton (DEM).

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 9: David Newell (REP); Brandon Birmingham (DEM).

Member, State Board of Education, District 5: Lani Popp (REP); Rebecca Bell-Metereau (DEM); Stephanie Berlin (LIB).

State Senator, District 24: Dawn Buckingham (REP); Clayton Tucker (DEM).

State Representative, District 73: Kyle Biedermann (REP); Stephanie Phillips (DEM).

Justice, 4th Court of Appeals District: Renee Yanta (REP); Rebeca Martinez (DEM).

District Judge, 216th Judicial District: Albert D. (Pat) Pattillo III (REP).

District Attorney, 216th Judicial District: Lucy Wilke (REP).

County Court at Law Judge: Christopher (Chris) Nevins (REP).

County Attorney: Steve Wadsworth (REP).

County Sheriff: Buddy Mills (REP).

County Tax Assessor-Collector: Vicki J. Schmidt (REP).

Voters in specific precincts will also have these choices on their ballot:

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1: Charles Olfers (REP).

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3: Dennis W. Neffendorf (REP).

City election

The City of Fredericksburg is also having an election for mayor and two councilmember positions.

On the ballot for mayor is Charlie Kiehne, Graham Pearson and Timothy Ellis Riley.

Those seeking two councilmember positions are Tom Musselman, Jerry Luckenbach and Michael Poole.

Completed applications for a ballot by mail should be returned to Shelley Goodwin, city secretary, 126 W. Main Street, Fredericksburg, Texas 78624.

Harper ISD Trustees
Harper Independent School District is having a trustee election for three at-large positions.

Candidates include Victor E. (Trey) Garrett III, Amy Spiess, Roy L. Kasper, John Paul Fogle, John Sergeant, Henry I. Sherman, Erin Eskew Worrell and Susan Doak.

Delivery of by-mail ballots

City by-mail ballots can be hand delivered to the city secretary's office at City Hall. The individual must pre-send one of the acceptable forms of photo identification below:

- Texas Driver License issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety;
- Texas Election Identification certificate issued by DPS;
- Texas Personal Identification Card issued by DPS;
- Texas Handgun License issued by DPS;
- United States Military Identification Card containing the person's photograph;
- United States Citizenship Certificate containing the person's photograph; or
- A United States Passport.

With the exception of the U.S. citizenship certificate, the identification must be current or, for voters aged 18-69, have expired no more than four years before being presented for voter qualification at the polling place. A person 70 years of age or older may use a form of identification listed above that has expired for any length of time if the identification is otherwise valid.

If a voter does not possess one of the forms of acceptable photo identification listed above, and the voter cannot reasonably obtain such identification, the voter may execute a Reasonable Impediment Declaration and present a copy or original of one of the following supporting documents:

- A government document that shows the voter's name and an address, including the voter's voter registration certificate;
- A current utility bill;
- A bank statement;
- A government check;
- A paycheck; or
- A certified domestic birth certificate or a document confirming birth admissible in a court of law which establishes the voter's identity (which may include a foreign birth document).



An artist rendering shows what the new playground planned for Old Fair Park will look like when completed. — Submitted drawing

New playground equipment planned for Old Fair Park

Old Fair Park is getting new playground equipment.

Throughout this week, workers have been removing old equipment and laying groundwork for the installation of a new playground.

In September 2019, the Morning Rotary Club received permission to build a new playground at Old Fair Park.

The cost for this playground is approximately \$567,000 and is being fully funded by the Morning Rotary Club.

"Thanks to the generous contribution of several civic minded individuals, we are now able to move forward with this next project," said Mark Bennett, Morning Rotary Club member.

Fundraising efforts for this project were completed earlier this year, but the COVID-19 pandemic slowed progress for a few months. Recently, the order was made for the equipment, which will be arriving over the next two months.

The current equipment is over 30 years old and no longer meets playground standards.

Installation of the new playground will take place over

the next couple of months, weather permitting. During this time, the playground will not be open for use.

This new playground will be constructed by Kraftsman and will include a large barn play system, swings, a merry-go-round and two interactive activity zones: Memo and Sutu.

Yalp Memo allows kids and adults to get physical exercise while also learning something new with its educational dimension, according to a spokesperson.

"The balanced mix between being fun and physically challenging is achieved through the fun and sporty games," the spokesperson said. "But it also has math and memory games which train the brain."

With built-in wireless internet connection, new Yalp Memo games are always being developed.

The Yalp Sutu is an interactive soccer wall, containing impact-sensitive panels which measure and react to ball impact. Vivid LED lights and audio speakers give players feedback and encouragement on their performance.

"Yalp Sutu is as entertaining as video games, fun, yet

healthy and socially constructive like outdoor play," the spokesperson said.

This equipment also allows children to play against children in other states or countries using the Wi-Fi.

There will be four bays of swings, all shaded, to include swings for babies to 12-year-olds. There will also be inclusive swings and full bucket seat swings. The merry-go-round is also inclusive for ages 2 to 12.

In addition, all equipment surfacing will be poured in place. Poured rubber playground flooring complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act, meaning it is wheelchair accessible and safe for those with physical disabilities.

The Morning Rotary Club previously received approval from the City Council to construct the basketball pavilion, batting cages and the skate park located at Old Fair Park.

These projects have all been completed and are open to the public.

For more information, contact Andrea Schmidt, director of Parks and Recreation, at 830-990-2018 or by email at aschmidt@fbgtx.org.

Divorces granted

Karen Lynette Rimes and Alan Keith Rimes, granted Sept. 15, 2020, by Judge Christopher G. Nevins.

Veronica Cassandra Colunga Palacios and Richard Jason Palacios, granted Sept. 18, 2020, by Judge Albert D. Pattillo III.

Heidy Guadalupe Soto and Juan Pascual Soto, granted Sept. 21,

2020, by Judge Albert D. Pattillo III. Gene Laroy Leonard II and Jessie Bernie Leonard granted Sept. 22, 2020, by Judge Christopher G. Nevins.

Rebecca P. Miles and Kenneth R. Miles, granted Sept. 22, 2020, by Judge Christopher G. Nevins.

Carrie Weaver and Donald Weaver, granted Sept. 24, 2020, by Judge Christopher G. Nevins.

Mark Anthony Garcia and Emilia Silva Reyez, granted Sept. 28, 2020, by Judge Albert D. Pattillo III.

Rhonda Kay Roberts and John A. Roberts III, granted Sept. 29, 2020, by Judge Christopher G. Nevins.

Marsha L. Jackson and Ricky S. Jackson, granted Sept. 29, 2020, by Judge Christopher G. Nevins.

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LAW ENFORCEMENT NEWS

Police investigate area thefts

The Fredericksburg Police Department arrested eight people, investigated a burglary, seven cases of fraud and three thefts.

Arrest

On Monday, Sept. 28, an officer was dispatched to Main and Washington streets for an intoxicated subject.

Cain Wade Wingate was arrested for public intoxication.

Later Monday, while on patrol, an officer observed a violation in the 200 block of West Main Street.

After running the driver's information through dispatch, it was determined she had a warrant.

Kara Brie Veli was arrested on the warrant.

On Thursday, Oct. 1, an officer was dispatched to the 1000 block of Texas 16 South for an intoxicated female.

Donna O'Dell was arrested for public intoxication.

On Saturday, Oct. 3, an officer was on patrol and made a stop in the 600 block of East Main Street.

Nicole Macae Rivas was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

Later Saturday, a patrol sergeant was dispatched to the 300 block of North Llano Street for an intoxicated subject leaving in a vehicle.

David W. Edwards was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

On Sunday, Oct. 4, an officer was contacted by dispatch regarding a male that was passed out in the 100 block of West Main Street.

Michael Kevin Watson was arrested for public intoxication.

Later Sunday, an officer received a call for disturbance in the 600 block of South Eagle Street.

Officers arrived for the second time that evening and discovered household and personal items thrown outside the front door.

When the patrol sergeant approached the male, the male tried to avoid the sergeant and left through the back of the residence.

The male was located and placed under arrest for public intoxication. He then resisted

arrest and provided false identifying information, and was therefore charged.

Jose Manuel Gomez was later found to have three outstanding warrants. He remains detained.

Burglary

On Thursday, Oct. 1, an officer spoke to a complainant about a burglary at a storage unit at the back of the property.

Case under investigation.

Fraud

On Monday, Sept. 28, an officer spoke to a complainant who received a letter from the Work Force Commissions advising someone had filed for unemployment using their name and Social Security number.

Case under investigation.

On Tuesday, Sept. 29, an officer spoke to a complainant who had a trailer for sale that they posted to Facebook and in the *Fredericksburg Standard-Radio Post*.

The complainant received a text about the trailer from someone in Georgia.

A cashier's check was sent from Fifth Third Bank but when brought to the complainant's bank, it was advised it was fraudulent.

No money or goods were exchanged.

On Wednesday, Sept. 30, an officer spoke to a complainant who received a notification from AT&T that someone had used their driver's license.

Later Wednesday, an officer was dispatched to the 700 block of South Creek Street for a complainant who received a call from an unknown person claiming the complainant had won Mega Millions.

The complainant was requested to send \$7,500 dollars and then the complainant would receive the rest of their winnings.

A cashier's check was mailed before the complainant realized it was a scam. The bank was notified.

On Thursday, Oct. 1, an officer spoke to a complainant who dropped off an animal with a taxidermist that has since moved and has not received the animal back.

On Friday, Oct. 2, an officer spoke to a complainant who said their credit card company requested a report be made regarding the complainant's driver's license being spotted on the dark web.

The complainant advised it was their old number and that they had been issued a new number.

Theft

On Wednesday, Sept. 30, an officer was dispatched to the 600 block of Jessica Street for a vehicle theft.

The complainant said the officer had brought the suspect to their house the previous night and when they woke up, the car was gone.

Permission was not given to use the vehicle.

On Friday, Oct. 2, an officer was dispatched to the 200 block of West Peach Street for a theft.

It was reported that a life-size Halloween skeleton decoration was missing from their porch.

The complainant reported they have a camera system and has video of the suspect taking the item.

Case under investigation.

Weekly totals

Fredericksburg Police Department responded to 290 calls for service and made 170 traffic stops for the week of Sept. 28-Oct. 4. FPD handled 10 minor accidents.

Sept. 28-Oct. 4

- 10 accidents.
- 11 alarms.
- 14 animal-related calls.
- 1 burglary.
- 5 civil disputes.
- 1 civil standby.
- 5 criminal mischief.
- 12 disturbances.
- 35 follow-up calls.
- 7 fraud.
- 2 harassment.
- 1 illegal parking.
- 2 lost or stolen property.
- 5 ordinance violation.
- 13 public relations calls.
- 3 recovery of property.
- 103 special assignments.
- 19 cases of suspicious activity.
- 1 suspicious vehicle.
- 3 thefts.
- 14 traffic hazards.
- 4 traffic hazards (J-walking).
- 170 traffic stops.
- 8 welfare concern calls.
- 11 other.

Deputies make arrest after follow-up investigation

The Gillespie County Sheriff's Office arrested four people during the week of Sept. 28-Oct. 4.

Disturbance

At 9:18 p.m., Friday, Oct. 2, deputies responded to a suspicious activity call where a male subject had called 9-1-1 several times but was hard to understand.

Deputies arrived in the 17000 block of U.S. 87 North and located a male standing near the highway.

Witnesses indicated the male had been in the roadway and was trying to stop passing vehicles.

Manuel Jesus Deras-Retana, 34, of Fredericksburg, was arrested for public intoxication.

Drugs

At 5:20 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, deputies conducted a follow-up investigation with a male subject regarding an illegal narcotics transaction.

Contact was made in the 1400 block of East Main Street and it was determined

it was more than preparation of a narcotics transaction as deputies seized more than 13.43 grams of methamphetamine.

Ricky Wayne Frye, 28, of Burnet, was arrested and charged with manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance more than or equal to four grams but less than 200 grams. He is detained as of press time.

Other

At 7:05 a.m. Friday, Oct. 2, a deputy made a traffic stop in the 300 block of Goehmann Lane.

While making contact, the deputy learned the driver did not have a valid driver's license and had an outstanding warrant.

Jose Cruz Martinez-Zarazua, 38, of Fredericksburg, was arrested and charged with no driver's license and was also arrested on the warrant.

Accidents

The Gillespie County Sheriff's Office worked 11 crashes; 10 were minor and one was

major. The sheriff's office also assisted DPS with three crashes.

Weekly totals

Deputies handled a total of 383 calls during the week and made four arrests. A total of 12 people were booked into the jail.

As on Monday, the jail population was 60.

Sept. 28-Oct. 4

- 11 accidents.
- 5 alarms.
- 2 assaults.
- 16 animal-related calls.
- 12 civil disputes.
- 2 criminal mischief.
- 1 criminal trespass.
- 7 disturbances.
- 16 follow-up calls.
- 2 fraud.
- 2 harassment.
- 13 other agency assists.
- 1 prisoner transport.
- 1 property lost/recovered.
- 6 public relations.
- 147 special assignments.
- 16 suspicious activity calls.
- 3 thefts.
- 17 reports of traffic hazards.
- 90 traffic stops.
- 1 warrant service call.
- 11 welfare concerns.
- 1 unattended death.

Final relief route study report available

Texas Department of Transportation's final Relief Route Feasibility Study report is now available online.

The process included identification, development and evaluation of a preliminary design schematic for the Technically Preferred Route option. Other aspects of the study, also documented in

this report, included public involvement and outreach as well as the preparation of Environmental Existing Conditions reports, traffic modeling and a historic resources survey.

The City of Fredericksburg and Gillespie County worked with TxDOT, in conducting the study to evaluate the fea-

sibility of constructing a U.S. Highway 290 relief route around the City of Fredericksburg.

The study, which was initiated in early 2018, was overseen by the Gillespie County Relief Route Task Force.

The report can be viewed and downloaded at www.fb-gtx.org.

Gillespie County Fire, Rescue Calls Sept. 27-Oct. 4

Fredericksburg

- Sunday, Sept. 27 — 11:16 a.m., Ranch Road 965, search and rescue.
- Monday, Sept. 28 — 2:38 p.m., Avenue C, hazmat.
- Monday, Sept. 28 — 4:56 p.m., South Eagle Street, general investigation.
- Tuesday, Sept. 29 — 11:11 a.m., Aviation Loop, grass fire.
- Thursday, Oct. 1 — 7:35 a.m., Big Bend Lane, fire alarm.
- Thursday, Oct. 1 — 12:57 p.m., Interlaken, hazmat.
- Thursday, Oct. 1 — 3:31 p.m., Sultemeier Moellering Road, search and rescue.
- Thursday, Oct. 1 — 6:17 p.m., East Main Street, fire alarm.
- Friday, Oct. 2 — 10:33 a.m., Post Oak Road, hazmat.
- Friday, Oct. 2 — 1:52 p.m., Texas 16 North, grass fire.

Harper

- Tuesday, Sept. 29 — 11:11 a.m., Aviation Loop, grass fire.
- Thursday, Oct. 1 — 5:21 p.m., Jung Road, grass fire.
- Friday, Oct. 2 — 3:47 p.m., Aviation Loop, grass fire.

Stonewall

- Tuesday, Sept. 29 — 11:11 a.m., Aviation Loop, grass fire.
- Thursday, Oct. 1 — 7:35 a.m., Big Bend Lane, fire alarm.
- Saturday, Oct. 3 — 1:12 a.m., U.S. 290 East, motor vehicle accident.

Willow City

- Sunday, Sept. 27 — 11:16 a.m., Ranch Road 965, search and rescue.
- Sunday, Sept. 27 — 7:06 p.m., U.S. 87 North, motor vehicle accident.
- Tuesday, Sept. 29 — 11:11 a.m., Aviation Loop, grass fire.
- Friday, Oct. 2 — 1:52 p.m., Texas 16 North, grass fire.

Tierra Linda

- Tuesday, Sept. 29 — 11:11 a.m., Aviation Loop, grass fire.
- Wednesday, Sept. 30 — 8

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- Friday, Oct. 2 — 3:47 p.m., Aviation Loop, general investigation.

- Aviation Loop, grass fire.
- Thursday, Oct. 1 — 5:21 p.m., Jung Road, grass fire.
- Saturday, Oct. 3 — 2:47 p.m., Ranch Road 783 North, motor vehicle accident.

Doss

- Tuesday, Sept. 29 — 11:11 a.m.,

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We are not voting for Kyle Biedermann. We believe he placed the pipeline first, and District 73 landowners got trampled.

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GILLESPIE COUNTY COVID-19 INFORMATION

(As of 10:42 p.m. Monday, Oct. 5)

Active cases (per DSHS)	39
Recovered (DSHS)	287
Deaths (DSHS)	10
Total Tests (DSHS)	5,169
HCM Positives	0
Total known cases	210
Cases hospitalized at HCM	1
Available ICU beds at HCM	1
Staffed beds available	16

COVID-19 CASES SNAPSHOT

(As of 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6)

COUNTIES	Total
Gillespie	338
Mason	79
Kimble	17
Kerr	624
Kendall	377
Blanco	146
Llano	143

STATE/NATIONAL Total

TX Cases	773,435
TX Deaths	16,111
TX Recovered	687,277
US Cases	7,436,278
US Deaths	209,560

Sources: Local, Texas DSHS, CDC

Editor's note: City, county, hospital and emergency management officials work together to provide local coronavirus information, along with numbers from the Texas Department of State Health Services website.

City schedules two free COVID-19 testing events

Two free COVID-19 testing events to be offered in October have been announced by the City of Fredericksburg.

The events, set for Saturday, Oct. 10, and Sunday, Oct. 18, will be held at the Adelsverein Halle at Marktplatz.

Registration for the event will take place on site. Testing can be conducted on patients under the age of five with parental assistance. Testing will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. The events will have the capacity to conduct up to 600 tests.

The testing method to be used will be a self-administered oral swab rather than a nasal swab. Those being tested are asked to wear masks and refrain from eating or drink-

ing for 20 minutes prior to testing.

A screening process will be administered by State Health Department personnel trained to gather information and assess symptoms which could suggest a person should be tested for COVID-19. Anyone with or without symptoms can be tested.

Once results are available, patients will receive a text message with a link to a portal with results and information. Those testing positive will also be contacted by their local health department.

For more information, contact Catherine Kuhlmann, Fredericksburg Fire EMS Infectious Disease Control officer, at 830-992-9218.

Donuts with Democrats to return on Saturday

The Gillespie County Democratic Party is again expanding hours of operation at its headquarters at 209 N. Crockett, Suite 1, office manager Jerri Striegler said.

"We hope people will stop by and join us on Saturday morning for donuts, coffee and conversation," she said.

Saturday hours are from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Hours have also been expanded during the week.

The office will be open from noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

A Friday "happy hour" with coffee, tea, soft drinks and snacks will be offered from 4-6 p.m. each week.

Visitors inside headquarters are limited to six people at a time and all those stopping by are asked to wear masks, Striegler said, and practice social distancing.

In addition to yard signs and campaign materials, information on voting is also available, County Chair Cathy Collier said.

"Steps for voting by mail, voting early in-person and voting on Election Day are available," she said. "We want to ensure that everyone has accessibility to vote and that everyone understands just how important their vote is in this most extraordinary year."

To aid voters, the Democratic Party has organized "The Ballot Brigade" to help people get to the polls.

"For anyone who is voting by mail but would like to personally drop their ballot off at the Gillespie County Elections Office, just call and a driver will come to pick you up," she said. "All that is necessary is for voters to bring their photo ID and their mail ballot."

Early in-person voting begins Tuesday, Oct. 13, at the Gillespie County Elections Office, 102 E. San Antonio Street.

The schedule includes extended hours for voting on each Tuesday — Oct. 13, 20 and 27 — from 7 a.m.-7 p.m., as well as Sunday hours from 1-3 p.m.

Otherwise, hours are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. through Oct. 30. The office is closed on Saturday.

"Anyone who would like to arrange a ride to the polls is asked to call 830-456-1459," Collier said. "All drivers will be masked, and riders are required to wear a mask. We want to be sure that everyone votes and that everyone votes safely."

Rides to polling places throughout the county will also be made available on Election Day, she said.

TREE LIGHTING

local businesses.

The CVB is working to add speakers at Marktplatz this year, Schmidt said. These will be used for an announcement and the playing of Christmas music every night when the lights turn on.

The city also purchased Wi-Fi boxes to allow a programmed lighting every night. This would allow the city to save the staff time usually needed to turn on the lights.

"We still need to get the speakers installed and run some tests, so we're hoping this will all be successful so we can do it on Nov. 12," Schmidt said.

New lights

Old street lights along downtown Main Street may soon be replaced after

a \$450,000 construction contract was awarded to Wesco Services, LLC.

"The purpose of this project is to replace the streetlight poles as well as the fixtures that are showing signs of corrosion and rust," said Kris Kneese, assistant director of Public Works & Utilities. "That is a safety concern along Main Street."

Poles would be replaced with a spun, concrete-fluid pole. Kneese said the concrete foundation would also be replaced.

On these poles, city staff plans to add a flag holder, lower streetlight fixtures and potentially a place to add banners. The initial plan was to add flower pot holders, but the majority of city councilors didn't like the idea, as it would require extra maintenance to keep plants alive.

Areas where replacements will occur are in the 100, 200 and 300 blocks of East Main Street and on the county courthouse side of the 100 block of West Main Street. Additionally, Kneese said they plan to remove the remaining aerial conductor wire stretching between all of the light poles.

"We're proposing to put that conductor wire through some existing conduit that has already been laid," Kneese said.

The contract is higher than the project budget's \$330,000, but Kneese said the rest of the money would be covered by unused city funds.

City staff hopes the project will be finished by the 175th anniversary of Fredericksburg.

Election

City Secretary Shelley Goodwin offered an update on election dates.

The last day to register to vote was Monday, Oct. 5.

As for early voting Ballot by Mail, Goodwin said the city mailed out 700 ballots and had 313 ballot applications sent back as of 4 p.m. Monday. The final day the city can receive one of these applications in person is Oct. 16. The final day it can receive an application by mail is Oct. 23.

The City of Fredericksburg will mail city election ballots and Gillespie County will mail county, state and federal ballots.

The first deadline the city can receive a ballot-by-mail is 7 p.m. Nov. 3. The second deadline is 5 p.m. Nov. 4, with a postmark of Nov. 3.

Excluded for those deadlines are ballots overseas and military ballots. Deadlines for these ballots is Nov. 9.

Those choosing to hand deliver ballots by mail must do so in person at City Hall, 126 W. Main Street. Voters can only hand in their ballots and must provide identification. They must also sign a form.

Voters hand delivering ballots by mail who feel uncomfortable walking inside can deliver a ballot curbside, but

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they must call City Hall at 830-997-7521 upon arrival.

Early voting in person begins Oct. 13, and will be held in the Conference Room of the Gillespie County Annex 2 building, 102 E. San Antonio Street. The last day to early vote is Friday, Oct. 30.

Early voting times are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays are the extending 12-hour days from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Early voting will also be Sundays, Oct. 18 and Oct. 25, from 1-3 p.m. Curbside will also be available for early voting.

Election day is Nov. 3. Voters must vote in their precinct, which can be found on their voter registration card as well as under the Election page on fbgtx.org.

Upcoming training for poll workers and judges will be today at 3 p.m., and Monday, Oct. 12, at 10 a.m. in the City Hall Conference Room. The Secretary of State has created a training video, which can be found at <http://fbgtx.org/1030/Poll-Workers>.

A separate central count training will be Oct. 13 at 3:30 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room.

In other business

The council also:

- Approved applying for a Flood Infrastructure Grant for the Flood Early Warning System Project in the amount not to exceed \$745,000.

Political announcements

The *Fredericksburg Standard-Radio Post* is authorized to announce the names of the following individuals for public office in the Nov. 3, 2020, City of Fredericksburg election.

Listings of names in the city election are paid in advance for a one-time fee of \$25 by each candidate's designated treasurer, the names of whom are on file in the office of the *Standard-Radio Post*, 712 West Main Street, Fredericksburg, TX 78624.

The names of candidates printed below are listed in the order in which they were announced at the offices of this newspaper.

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FTC slates auditions for 'Nuncrackers' this weekend

Auditions for the Fredericksburg Theater Company's holiday musical, "Nuncrackers," will be held on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 10-11.

The auditions will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday and at 6 p.m. on Sunday at the Steve W. Shepherd Theater, located at 1668 U.S. 87 South.

For the auditions, individuals will need to prepare a song about two minutes long. Those auditioning may choose a song from the show or another song that shows their vocal range and abilities.

A CD player and MP3 hookup will be available. A keyboard will be available for those who would like to bring their own accompanist.

No a cappella auditions. There will be dance/movement auditions, so persons are asked to dress accordingly.

It was noted that prior tap dance training is not a require-

ment to be cast in this show. Simple tap combinations will be taught at the audition.

Tap shoes will be available at the auditions for use. Those who have their own are asked to bring them to the audition.

Audition cuttings from the script may be picked up at the FTC Box Office.

Schedule

A detailed schedule will be provided when the show is cast.

Rehearsals are typically held from 6:30-9 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

Rehearsals will not be held during the Thanksgiving weekend of Nov. 26-29.

Technical/dress rehearsals will be held Dec. 7-10.

For the success of the production, attendance at tech/dress rehearsals and at all performances is mandatory for the entire cast and crew.



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For any questions, email Steve Reily, FTC executive director, at fbgtheaterco@verizon.net.

Performances

A preview performance will be offered at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 10.

Performances continue at 7:30 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. on Sundays, Dec. 11-20.

About the show

The Nunsense Christmas Musical "Nuncrackers" is presented as the first TV special

taped in the Cable Access Studio built by Reverend Mother in the convent basement, Reily explained.

It stars the nuns everyone loves along with Father Virgil and four of Mount Saint Helen's most talented students.

Featuring all new songs, including "Twelve Days Prior to Christmas," "Santa Ain't Comin' to Our House," "We Three Kings of Orient Are Us"

and "It's Better to Give than to Receive," the show is filled with wacky Nunsense humor, favorite carols, and a "Secret Santa" sequence featuring audience participation.

Characters

The age ranges listed below represent the age of the character, not necessarily the age range of the actor.

"We are looking for actors who have the ability to portray the age range listed," Reily said.

- Sister Mary Regina, Mother Superior (age: 40's-65's, vocal range: B3-F5). A feisty, Sophie Tucker-type who can't resist the spotlight.

- Sister Mary Hubert, Mistress Of Novices (age:

30's-65's, vocal range: G3-F5). The second in command, she is always competing with the Mother Superior.

- Sister Robert Anne (age: 20's-45's, vocal range: G3-D5). A streetwise character from Brooklyn. A constant source of aggravation for the Mother Superior.

- Sister Mary Amnesia (age: 20's-45's, vocal range: D4-C6). This nun lost her memory after a crucifix fell on her head. She is very sweet.

- Father Virgil Manly Trott (age 30's-50's) vocal range: G#3-G5). Sister Leo's brother, who has to step in and help entertain the masses.

- Two Young Boys and Two Young Girls (varying ages), Mount St. Helen's students.

Ticket sales underway for FTC's 'Love Letters' fundraiser Nov. 7-8

Tickets are now on sale for the Fredericksburg Theater Company's new production and fundraising event for the fall season.

FTC founder Jeryl Hoover and guest artist Laurel Johnson will star in A.R. Gurney's two-character play "Love Letters."

The show will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, and 2 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 8, at the Steve W. Shepherd Theater.

A fundraising gala is planned prior to the Saturday, Nov. 7, performance.

Beginning at 6 p.m., the event will include drinks, a si-

lent auction and a drawing.

All proceeds will benefit the Fredericksburg Theater Company and their youth education program, the Fredericksburg Theater Academy.

Tickets

Tickets for "Love Letters" will go on sale to the public at 9 a.m. Monday.

Admission is \$29 for adults and \$12 for children 17 and under.

Box office hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.fredericksburgtheater.org or by calling the box office at 888-669-7114.

For more information, visit www.fredericksburgtheater.org.

The show

"Love Letters" is a two-character play that follows the relationship between a stuffy W.A.S.P. and a free-spirited woman, throughout their lives from childhood to death, as chronicled in the letters they write to each other.

The production will be directed by FTC's Executive Director Steve Reily.



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Gillespie retired teachers to host Lee on Monday

Gillespie County Retired Teachers Association (GCRTA) will meet via Zoom at 2:15 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 12, to hear from Tim Lee, executive director of the Texas Retired Teachers Association (TRTA).

All current members will receive an emailed link allowing them to join the meeting.

Retired teachers and staff who are not yet members may request the link by emailing gcrtainfo@gmail.com.

Lee will discuss issues relevant to all public school employees and retirees who pay into the Texas Teacher Retirement System, many of whom depend on it for their sole retirement income.

He will discuss state legislation passed in 2019 to raise the base contributions by the state and current educators.

This will one day allow for reasonable cost of living increases for retirees who have not had such an increase in over 14 years, a spokesman said.

He will also update retirees on his work with Congress to address the Social Security Windfall Elimination Provision, a law which unfairly limits Social Security benefits of Texas school employees.

Lee has worked with key legislators to advance bills on changing this law.

Lee has worked on public pension policy for 19 years, beginning as the director of the Illinois Retired Teachers Association.

He was recruited in 2004 by TRTA to take over their fast-growing association, which had over 95,000 members statewide last year.

In September, he hosted two virtual town hall meetings for TRTA members featuring Sen. John Cornyn and MJ Hegar, who are currently in the race for the US senate.

The local unit also host-

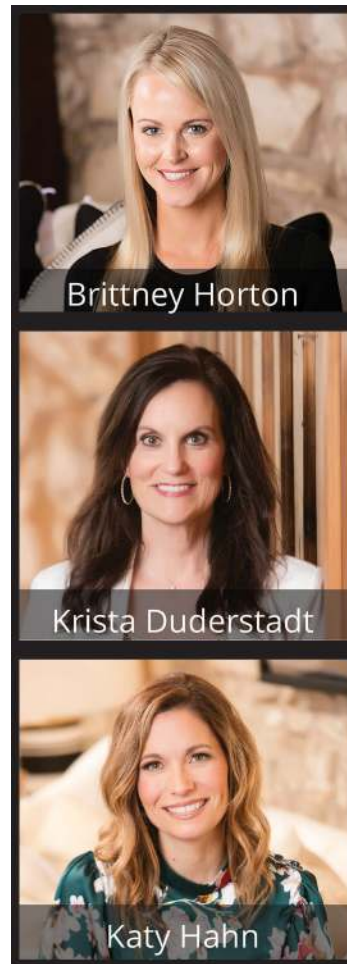
ed Texas House candidates Stephanie Phillips and Kyle Biedermann, and Texas Senate candidate Clayton Tucker. Unable to attend was Dawn Buckingham, Tucker's opponent.

TRTA is the nation's largest organization that provides advocacy and action for the interests of retired public school employees.

Locally, Gillespie County members serve in many community volunteer activities and promote public education initiatives.

Anyone who has retired from Texas public schools and higher education is encouraged to become a member.

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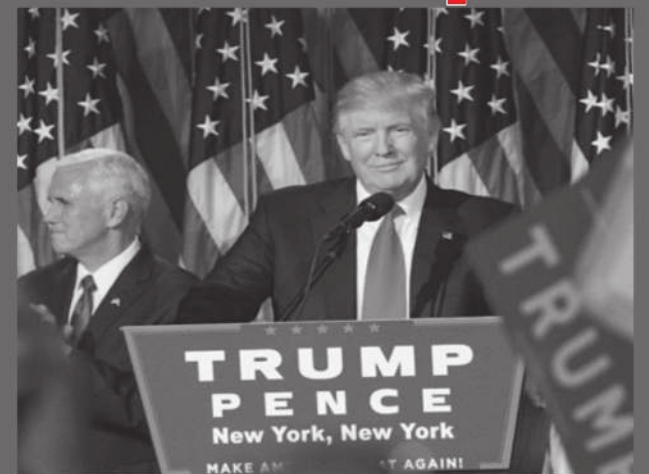
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time? It needs to be consistent.”

Parent Daryl Whitworth hoped for a solution.

“Hopefully we can mitigate this and find ways so our kids have opportunities and they aren't missing out on things anymore,” Whitworth said. “We hope you will consider that if kids have masks and are allowed on campus, students can still work and learn in proximity and not have to quarantine (unless they are sick).”

Fredericksburg Middle School Principal Sheryl Wallace stated the FMS staff showed a Bill Nye video at the start of the school year emphasizing the importance of wearing a mask.

At FMS, if there is an issue with a student wearing a mask, the student and teacher have a conversation. If the situation escalates, the parent becomes involved.

At Fredericksburg High School, Principal Joe Gonzalez said that they are encouraging kids to be in compliance as per the governor's order.

“I know how important it is to discuss this because it's part of a health advisory and it's part of every social and extra-curricular aspect,” Gonzalez said. “The students don't like it; I certainly don't like it but it's one line of defense.”

Gonzalez reiterated that every decision has consequences.

“Do I like sending kids home for 14 days? No. No one does but that's the issue, that is why we are here,” he said. “But the minute we stop doing what we are doing, we will be right back here, asking why you let us do this. It's the elephant in the room.”

Gonzalez said he supports whatever decision the board makes and has been compliant with the policies so far.

Masks are not required to be

ONLINE
To view the official policy changes, visit fisd.org.

worn at Fredericksburg Primary School.

Board President Dr. Lance Love said altering the definition of “close contact” could lead to increased cases. As of press time, about half the active cases in Gillespie County are at the high school.

Close contact is likely coming from time spent not wearing masks, including eating lunch, spending time in groups outside of school or time in the hallway.

Gonzalez said at his campus, most kids are compliant but still need reminding.

“I can assure you they are masking up, but we're not perfect. But our kids are realizing as less and less kids are on campus, that masks are important,” he said. “What is the guarantee that the mask and not quarantining for 14 days is going to subside cases?”

The board agreed to change the policy based on recommendations presented by Brasher.

Remote instruction

Concerns were expressed regarding the challenges associated with remote learning options being offered by the district. As of last week, students could qualify for the remote learning option if they were deemed to be high-risk medically, maintain passing grades, and have at least 90% attendance. There are 556 remote learners as of Monday.

“As of Monday (last week), you wanted to get rid of remote learning but you can't go ahead and do that without changing the mask situation. You can't get rid of remote learning until you, as an elect-



The Fredericksburg Independent School District Central Office board room was filled Monday night as FISD teachers, staff and parents expressed concerns over the COVID-19 Return to School Plan. The board agreed to make several amendments, despite concerns of growing cases. — Standard-Radio Post/McKenzie Moellering

ed official, make a decision on how this will work,” parent Cindy Gallagher said.

Teachers and staff have significant concerns over managing the work load.

“Teachers didn't sign up for this and it is hard for them to be successful managing both learning options because they have failing learners,” Love said.

Some students are failing their remote learning curriculum because of low participation or work not being submitted.

“On behalf of the teachers, I feel sorry for you,” parent Scott Immel said. “I know how much of a pain in the butt it is to have to do two things at once. I can't even imagine.”

Student Faith Geistweidt emphasized the value of face-to-face learning.

“How are we supposed to learn teamwork skills, if school is remote?” she said. “We need face-to-face, we need to be on teams and we need (to develop) leadership skills.”

“My goal is to maintain every aspect of our campus life,” Gonzalez said. “My role also

is to ensure that we continue that for the rest of the school year.”

Love and board member Brian Lehne expressed concerns over school funding.

The Texas Education Agency will provide 100% funding for remote learning.

“If we lose kids, that could learn \$1.5 million in funding that we could lose,” Love said.

Herber said the funding is attributed to the number of students that are attending school, remote or in-person.

Board member Mark Cornett asked how many of Fredericksburg's neighboring districts are scaling back on their remote learning options, something that was brought to Brasher over the summer months.

“I don't know that number or information,” Brasher said. “I don't know anything specifically but there are some across the state.”

“We need to know the number of surrounding schools that are struggling just like we are,” Love said.

The board agreed that if a remote learner is failing, the

student should be encouraged to return to school to get the resources needed for success. This will be evaluated on a nine-week period.

In order for a student to remain on the remote learning plan, the board agreed that the student can not be failing any classes and have at least 90% attendance.

Household exposure

The board also addressed some miscommunication in regard to when a member of a household is exposed.

If someone in the house tests positive, both the positive case and family members should be quarantined.

If a household member is exposed, only that family member is required to be quarantined, not the entire household.

Symptoms should be self-monitored. This is not currently something set by the Centers for Disease Control.

“This requires some honesty,” Cornett said.

Other business

Trustees also agreed to pur-

chase more than 700 computers for \$507,066.

Costs will be covered by federal funds with the remaining amount coming from the general fund.

Devices will be used at middle school and high school campuses.

“We will likely have one-on-one devices by the latter half of the school year, we just need to be patient because computers are out of stock everywhere,” Technology Director Michelle Williams said.

Williams stated that hot spots have also been purchased from the state but they have not yet arrived.

“Every week, we get updates and we have no control when they are arriving,” Williams said. “The state of Texas ordered two million devices at one time and they really inundated that market. It's been pushed back a couple of times so we are hoping they arrive in November.”

The board took no action in determining an allowable range of project costs for the bond committee. The item will be discussed in the future.

Chamber to host city candidate forum

Fredericksburg Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the *Fredericksburg Standard-Radio Post*, will host a virtual Candidate Forum for Fredericksburg's mayoral and city council candidates from 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15 via a Zoom video conference.

The event will also be broadcast via Facebook Live.

The forum is intended to offer a moderated, unbiased and nonpartisan opportunity for voters to learn about the candidates' goals, ideas and priorities though responses to questions around a variety of community issues and concerns. Candidates will be allowed a timed response to each question.

To help create relevant questions, the Chamber has launched a survey to assess areas of greatest community interest. A link to the survey can be found at the Chamber's website, www.fredericksburg-texas.com, in the Chamber's weekly electronic e-newsletter and in Chamber social media posts, along with link instructions for the forum.

Participants will also have the opportunity to send real-

time questions for consideration by using the chat function of the video conference.

The forum will be recorded and posted for on-demand future viewing.

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WORKLOAD

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“What’s most important is that our students are learning and they are engaged. That’s been the challenge.”

Heather Davis, a seventh grade English teacher, said she works no less than 12 hours every day and 50% of her class is still failing. She has struggled the most with ensuring her remote students get the same quality of education as her in-person students.

“I have to find material that works with my online students while still meeting (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) guidelines,” she said. “Usually, my online students are not doing the same rigorous work as my in-person students.”

She began trying to stream her in-person classes live for her online students, but very few are logging in. Gail Savage, who teaches Pre-AP and sophomore English at Fredericksburg High School, said her main challenge is keeping everyone on track when students are coming in and out due to quarantine.

“It is kind of messy at times, but we are making it work,” she said.

According to survey results provided by School Board President Dr. Lance Love, most teachers want to do away with remote learning. (See accompanying graph.)

Extra resources

Brasher wants to provide teachers like Davis and Sav-

TEACHER PREFERENCE

End Remote Learning	YES	NO
FHS	61%	39%
FMS	75%	25%
FES	53%	47%
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FPS (No %, but prefer in-person)		

age with more resources to ease their stress and give them extra time to focus on students.

“When you’re stretched so thin, you can only do so much within the time that you have,” Brasher said.

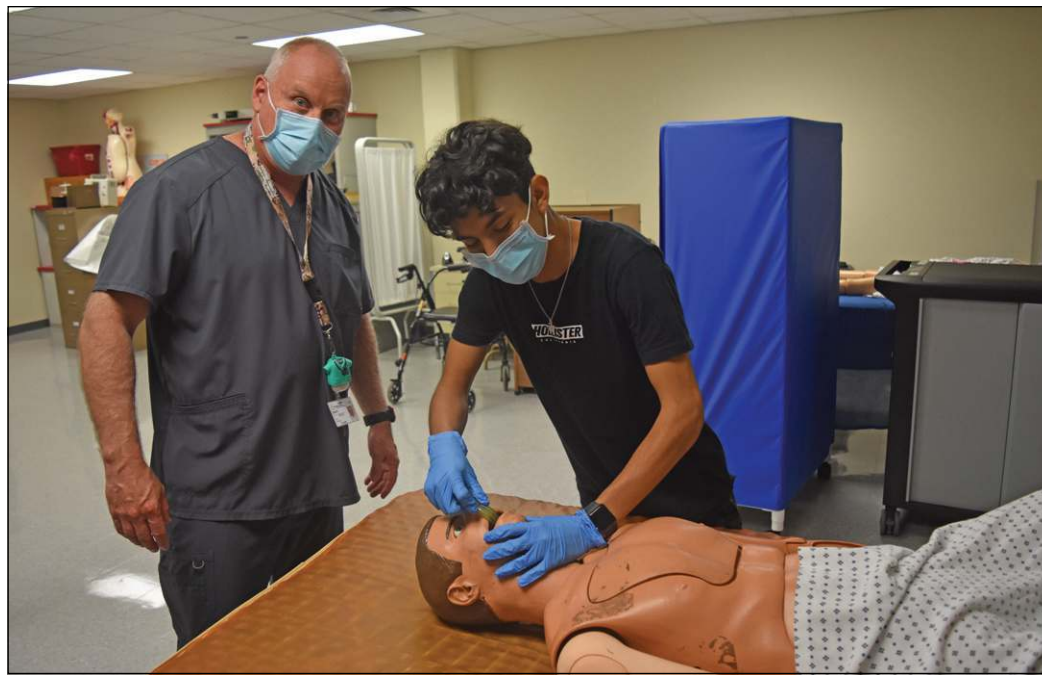
He added teacher and student needs are different for each campus.

“For the high school, we’re looking at more tech support, at middle school we’re looking at an additional counselor to help with the social and emotional piece, and at the elementary, we’re looking at adding another instructional staff member who could help with technology,” Brasher said.

The district is also looking at other resources, including adding more professional development days, a staff member who could help parents with technological support. A math coach at FPS and a full-time remote learning teacher at SES.

Funding

While these resources may be helpful, the question of funds comes into play. In total, Brasher said adding all of the needed resources would



Health Science Teacher Bruce Daley, R.N., works with student Davien Garza as he intubates a model patient during class on Monday, Oct. 5. — Submitted photo

cost over \$485,000.

“We do have a ‘rainy-day fund,’ what we call our fund balance, and it would likely come out of that at the end of the year,” Brasher said.

FISD has \$12.5 million, or three-and-a-half months of fund balance. The state requires a district have three months of savings.

“If you use too much of the fund balance, you could put yourself into not a great position if you had serious emergency issues,” Brasher said.

Enrollment

It also doesn’t help that the district could miss out on nearly \$200,000 in state funding due to a slight de-

crease in enrollment. FISD reports 3,113 students enrolled, which is about a 1% decrease from the 3,145 reported this time last year.

Fortunately, Brasher said, the state has chosen to delay cutting funding due to enrollment declines for an extra six weeks.

He added that the district is trying to bring students back by continuing to provide quality education and meeting the needs of students.

“We’re also in the process of doing some polling, calling and sending surveys to parents, so we can have them tell us input on what we can do to make them feel safer about sending their kids back to school,” Brasher said.

State response

Brasher said he would like the state to continue giving some leeway on accountability.

“I’m fine with students taking the STAAR tests, but I don’t think we should be given an accountability rating, considering these circumstances that we are experiencing.”

Overall, Brasher feels like the state has “done their very best” managing this pandemic, just as everyone else has.

“There are some areas where we’ve done a fantastic job, and there are definitely areas where we all fall short. But really, I think that everyone has stepped up, worked hard and has done the best that we could,” Brasher said.

TRACTOR RIDE

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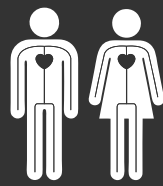
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IMMEL QUARTERBACK TIMELINE

Two generations of Immel family members have thrown the ball for Fredericksburg High School's football team.



Quarterback dynasty

Immel family members have served as Billies field generals

By Christine Granados
Standard-Radio Post reporter

Like many families in Gillespie County, the Immels have given the Fredericksburg High School football team four generations of players, but what sets them apart from the rest who have contributed to Billies football lore, is in three generations — five Immels have been field generals on the gridiron.

The quarterback dynasty started in 1986 with Scott Immel, next was Scott's nephew Jay, the son of Russell and

Terri. Russell is Scott's older brother.

Jay was followed by the Reeh brothers, Dillon and Kyle, quarterbacks in 2010-11 and 2015, respectively. They are the children of Wendy and Wade Reeh. Wendy is Scott's older sister.

Today, Cole Immel, Scott and Jennifer's oldest son, is leading the team in 2020.

"I think something that has been instilled in all of them is that they hate to lose," said Head Coach Lance Moffett, who has coached three of the five Immel family quar-



Kyle Reeh prepared to launch a pass during the Billies' 42-41 overtime victory at home against Lampasas in 2015. — Standard-Radio Post file photo

terbacks. "They hate to lose more than they like to win and that's a distinction."

Competition

It's a trait that binds the Immel family together. When

they get together during holidays or on the family ranch, they don't play leisurely fun games of whiffle ball or dominos. Everyone in the family plays to win.

"We played baseball at our family get together recently and all 50-year-olds, were out there and wanting to win as bad as the 10-year-olds," Wendy laughed.

Her younger brother, Scott, who everyone in the family agreed is the most competitive of a lot said he can't keep up with the younger generation in sports anymore.

"Now, I prefer to play dominos and try to win at dominos," Scott said. "I have to resort to board games, dominos and cards to out-smart them."

Line of succession

Scott played quarterback for the Billies in the '80s under Carlin Wicker, the winningest coach in FHS' history with a 182-118-12 record.

"I was the runt of this whole group," Scott said about his nephews' and sons' quarterback skills. "I was definitely

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Billies battle obstacles to get to Burnet

In addition to watching films, preparing a game plan, supervising workouts and getting players ready for their first District 13-4A matchup against Burnet on Friday at home, football coaches at Fredericksburg High School have also had to prepare for their battle against the coronavirus.

"We've got 10 freshmen quarantined. They got quarantined in class and we've got one JV kid quarantined," said Coach Lance Moffett about the Billies football program.

In addition, 10 varsity football players have opted for remote learning for fear of being quarantined.

This is part of the reason the school board called a special meeting Monday night to address what some parents viewed as over-zealous quarantining methods.

"With the current policy in place, if there was someone who tested positive, my son would have to stay home 14 days," said Scott Immel, father of junior quarterback Cole Immel. "He

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Swim season gets underway

New swim coach is Olympic certified

While the coronavirus has brought about many bad things throughout the world and the state of Texas, the Fredericksburg Independent School District did manage to get something good out of the global pandemic — Fredericksburg High School swim coach Shannon Mistr.

Mistr, who was hired during the summer, not only coaches the FHS swim team but is also the Fredericksburg Middle School girls' athletics coordinator, an FMS volleyball coach and pre-athletics teacher.

"We hired Coach Mistr to be the middle school coordinator and she was exceptionally qualified for that. She'd been a head swim coach for many years in a big school district," said Athletic Director Lance Moffett. "She knows swimming. We finally have a swim coach. We have someone with experience, which is the next progression in our swim program."

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Head swim coach Shannon Mistr explained a new workout routine to her team at an early morning practice at the HCM Wellness Center last Friday. — Standard-Radio Post/Christine Granados

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► St. Mary's volleyball teams travel to play Providence, 5 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 8

► FMS football vs. Burnet, home, 7 White at 4 p.m., 7 Red at 5 p.m., 8 White at 6:30 p.m., 8 Red at 7:30 p.m.

► FHS football vs. Burnet, freshmen and junior varsity, there, 5 p.m./6:30 p.m.

► Heritage volleyball vs. Boerne Homeschool, here, 6 p.m.

► St. Mary's football, SACS, here, 5:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 9

► FHS volleyball vs. Bandera, there, varsity at 5 p.m., freshmen at 6:15 p.m., junior varsity at 6:15 p.m.

► FHS football vs. Burnet, varsity, home, 7:30 p.m.

► Heritage football vs. Summit Christian Academy in Cedar Park, 7:30 p.m.

► Harper football vs. Mason, varsity, there, 7:30 p.m.

► Harper volleyball vs. Medina, there, 4 p.m., 5 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 10

► FHS cross country at Bandera High School Meet, varsity girls at 8 a.m. and 11 a.m., varsity boys at 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

► Heritage cross country, Concordia Invitational at Round Rock.

Monday, Oct. 12

► St. Mary's A-Team volleyball, Mount Sacred Heart, home, 5 p.m.

► Ambleside XC at Llano End of Season Invitational

Tuesday, Oct. 13

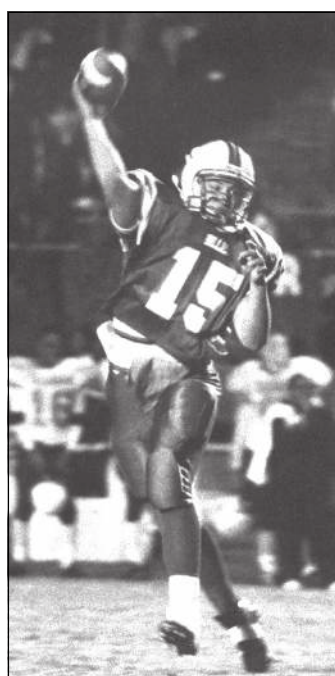
► FHS tennis vs. Wall, in Mason, 4 p.m.

► FHS volleyball vs. Canyon Lake, here, varsity 6 p.m., junior varsity and freshmen, 5 p.m.

► Harper volleyball vs. Junction, freshmen, junior varsity and varsity, there, 5 p.m./6 p.m.

► Heritage volleyball vs. Bulverde Living Rock, here, 6 p.m.

► Individuals planning to attend any of the events listed are reminded that the schedules are subject to change due to COVID-19.



Jay Immel launched a pass against Austin Reagan at home in 2002. — Standard-Radio Post file photos



Clemens Edward Immel, third from left, started the Immel family's contribution to the football team in the '30s. The 1932 Hillbillies team that won district with a 6-1 record from left to right are: **first row** – Robert Mertz, Clemens Edward Immel, Sully Knopp, Raymond Itz, Clarence Gold, Otto Molter and Johnny Langerhans; **second row** – Milton (Mally) Keller, Victor Nixon, Eugene Althaus and Guido Klett. — Submitted photo

IMMELS

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the worst athlete and the worst quarterback.”

To be fair, football teams in Texas in the '80s preferred to line up under center and grind it out on the ground.

Scott made a name for himself on the baseball diamond, where he was an all-state pitcher and short stop.

After graduating from Southwest Texas State University, he coached at Wimberley before coming back home to coach baseball and football.

As a football coach at FHS from 1997-2009, he had a bird's eye view of nephew Jay's time on the field.

“Jay started his junior and senior year,” Scott said. “Jay was super smart and steady. He was a very accurate thrower and an above average runner. He had a very good offensive line with him.”

It's no surprise that Jay, who was called a player's coach by the media at the time, is now an assistant football coach in Mason.

After graduating from FHS, he went on to play for Angelo State University in San Angelo.

The Reeh brothers, Dillon and Kyle, followed their older cousin into the quarterback spot in the 2010, 2011 and 2015 seasons, respectively. Their father, Wade, was a running back on the 1983 FHS quarterfinalist team.

When Moffett arrived in Fredericksburg in 2011, Dillon had been through two offensive coordinators.

“The thing that stood out about (Dillon) was he was an exceptional worker,” Moffett said. “In February when I got here, Dillon was playing baseball, running track and

he was doing everything we asked him to do in football. He was getting home at eight o'clock every night. After it was all over with, his mother said to me, ‘You almost killed my son.’”

His younger brother, Kyle, was nicknamed “Cool Breeze” because he didn't let anything rattle him.

Even at four years of age, Kyle proved that he couldn't be unnerved.

Wendy remembered Kyle learning to bowl at a birthday party he attended at the bowling alley, before there were bowling alley gutter bumpers for beginners.

“All the other kids were already in the game room, and Kyle refused to go until he got his ball all the way down the lane,” Wendy laughed. “He stood there 45 minutes by himself, until his ball got down there.”

Today, Cole Immel leads the Billies on the field under Moffett.

“I think Cole is a good mix of them both,” Moffett said, comparing the Reeh cousins to Cole. “He's exceptionally talented and a hard worker.”

Cole's father, Scott, who has watched all the Immels play said of his son, “He's a great competitor. Cole has tremendous knowledge of the game and great instincts. He throws the ball accurately, when he sets his feet. But he watches too much Patrick Mahomes.”

How it started

The Immel family football legacy started in the 1930s with Clemens Edward Immel. He played wingback and right tackle under coach W.C. (Westy) Westerfeldt in the 1932, with the Hillbillies, who went 6-1 in District 14 that year.

Clemens son, Lyndon, who is the father of Scott, Russell, Wendy and Laurie, never played football in Texas. He attended first grade at Fredericksburg elementary then moved to California, and played football in the Imperial Valley.

It wasn't until he came to Fredericksburg and married Barbara Zenner in 1958 that the Immel football legacy took off.

Both Russell and Scott Immel played football, Russell was quarterback for the last St. Mary's football team before it closed down in 1975 and Scott threw for FHS in 1986.

Lyndon said he didn't play sports with his children much because he was always working. He said he believed their athletic prowess was an extension of how they were raised.

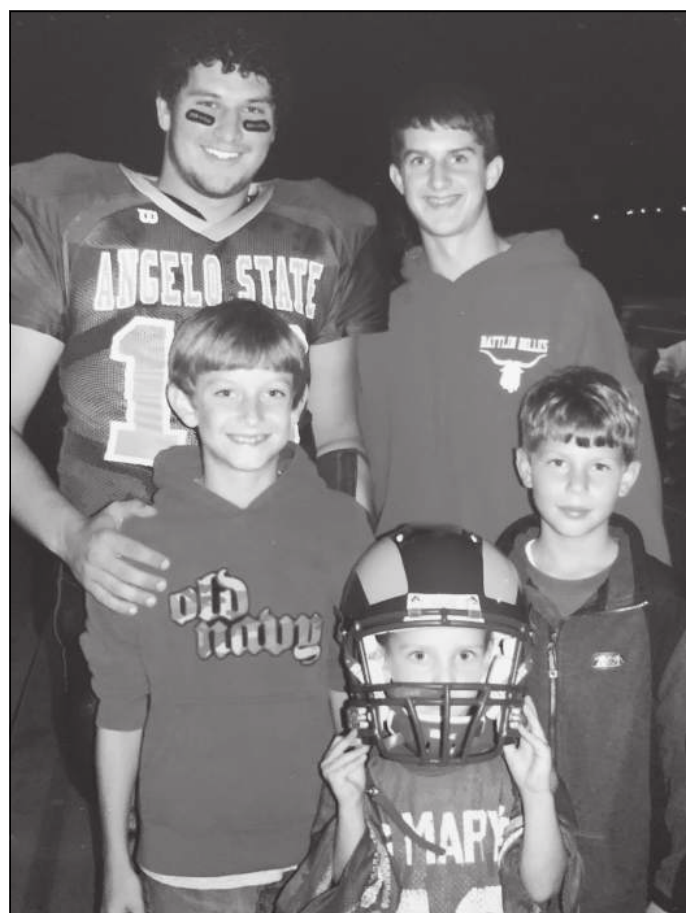
“A work ethic is one of the best things that you can do for children,” Lyndon said. “It kept our children out of trouble.”

He was also of the mindset whether at work or at play that, “You either lead, follow or get the hell out of the way.”

The Immel family played hard. Lyndon and Barbara's front and back yards hosted football, baseball and basketball games. The yard has also been a golf green and a pole-vaulting pit.

The Immel kids wore out fences, made holes in walls and ruined landscaping in their childhood.

Barbara recalled coming home one day and seeing a clipping from the *Standard* of Scott, who was four at the time, wearing a St. Mary's baseball uniform and batting helmet. It was taped to the living room wall behind the couch.



Four Immel family quarterbacks back up their family by attending as many games as possible. Front, Cole Immel wears a St. Mary's jersey, Kyle Reeh, in an Old Navy hoodie next to a Durst family friend, Jay Immel, who played quarter for Angelo State and Dillon Reeh in a Billies' hoodie gather together for a photo. — Submitted photo

“When it started to peel off, I found a hole in the wall where Scott had thrown a hardball through it,” she laughed. “(Scott) just found that picture that I had cut out of the paper, and taped it up there. He did get in trouble.”

Future quarterbacks

The Immel football legacy doesn't seem to slowing down either.

Cole's younger brother, Brooks, is the quarterback for St. Mary's football team. Jay and Kasey Immel's children, Reid, 7, and Bryson, 5, play flag football in Mason.

Logan Dietel, who played cornerback and wide receiver on the 1999 FHS team and is the son of Laurie and Dean Dietel, has a son who is playing flag football, too.

Barbara said her great-grandchild ran into the house with exciting news.

“He was all proud because he had run the ball back 99 yards for a touchdown,” she laughed.

The only difference between the previous generations of Immels and this new one is that Viola “Olie” Immel, who passed away in September, won't be tuned into KNAF listening to the football game.



Left, Scott Immel sprinted around a Marble Falls defender in 1986. Right, Dillon Reeh scrambled to find an open receiver during the Billies 42-14 loss to open the 2000 season. — Standard-Radio Post file photos

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Volunteer workers ready for masses

After having binge watched everything on my Netflix list last Friday during Fredericksburg's open week, I can't wait for Friday's matchup between the Billies and the Brady Bulldogs at FHS Stadium.

This will be the third home game of the season for the team, and parent volunteers are ready for the crowd during this Billies/Bulldogs rivalry.

Kristi Mohr, director of game operations, said she'll be selling online tickets to Billies fans on both sides of the field.

Only 35 tickets were sold for the Billies' first home game of the season against Jarrell, leaving 500 seats available.

When the Billies' side of the stands fills up, FHS will sell the remaining visitor side tickets to hometown fans. Those tickets (\$5 for adults, \$3 for children) will go online for sale on Thursday at the Fredericksburg athletics website.

Administrators will be on both sides of the field.

In non-COVID times, FHS Stadium has capacity for 2,057 spectators. With the University Interscholastic League 50% rule, seating was reduced to 1,203 for the home side and 674 for visitors in order to leave room for social distancing.

Concession stands will be operating at full capacity though. Fredericksburg Billie Boosters and Fredericksburg Band Boosters are masked, gloved-up, six feet apart and ready to feed the masses. In two home games' time, they figured out how

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Christine Granados



to distribute and prepare food so it is touched by as few hands as possible.

There are two lines at either end of the concession stands and the volunteers taking money are different from the volunteers making the food, who are different from the volunteers handing the food to customers.

It'll be a bit of a tango in the two concession booths, but their ingenuity helped FHS keep the same food items on the menu.

On the home side concessions, in addition to sausage wraps and hot dogs, grilled hamburgers, nachos, candy and popcorn, Chicken Express meal boxes will be sold.

All food prepared on site will be placed in individual closed containers, all condiments will be prepacked and utensils will be in sleeves. There will be no soda fountain drinks, only can and bottled drinks will be sold. The popcorn sold will be the microwavable baggies.

The visitors side concessions will also sell sausage wraps, hot dogs, nachos, candy and popcorn, as well as pulled pork sandwiches they have been known for.

While Fredericksburg is a place of many great traditions, it's also proving to be a place that knows when to set those traditions aside for unforeseeable change.

HARPER FOOTBALL

Longhorns win big at home

Team beats Brackett, readies for Mason

By Lindy Segall
Special to
the Standard-Radio Post

With last Friday's 34-6 District 14-2A home game win over Brackett, Harper matched its entire win record for the 2019 campaign.

"We came out here and did what we needed to do," said head coach, Chad Zenner after the game. "I'm extremely happy for our team, our coaches and our fans. Our one goal is to make the playoffs for the first time in a long while."

Harper struck first as Joel Helfrich took a 13-yard pass from Braden Strickland in for the score. The extra-point try was blocked and the Longhorns led with seven minutes on the clock.

After a chain-moving drive, Chanler Fontenot ran untouched for 15 yards up the right side into the endzone for the second score. With no time left on the clock, a Strickland keeper made the score 14-0 at the end of the first quarter.

This was not the same Tiger team that nearly knocked off state-ranked Mason last season. Brackett's ground game was non-existent.

Harper defenders overpowered the Tiger offensive line resulting in several sacks and forcing six fumbles.

Fred Earhart, Cade Vickers and Casen Thompson led the linebacking corps for Harper that limited their opponents to a mere eight yards on 34 rushing attempts.

On the other side of the ball, Fontenot returned to lead all Harper rushers with 58 yards on 13 carries.

Junior quarterback Strickland mixed up his plays for a balanced run-pass attack for 296 yards in total offense.

Keegan Iturriza stepped up when Fontenot went down in the second half, scoring twice

on eight carries and converting his first touchdown with a strike from Strickland.

"I'm really happy for Keegan," said Zenner. "(He was) the next man up when Chanler went down. Number 33 lowered his shoulders and got a couple of scores for us. He's a senior and a good leader. Great guy to be around."

The stifling Green defense forced Brackett to punt five times. After holding them on third downs, they briefly lost focus and the Tigers' Diego Soliz banged in from the five for the lone Brackett score.

Iturriza closed out the scoring with a one-yard plunge to make it 34-6 with 3:41 on the clock.

Mason game

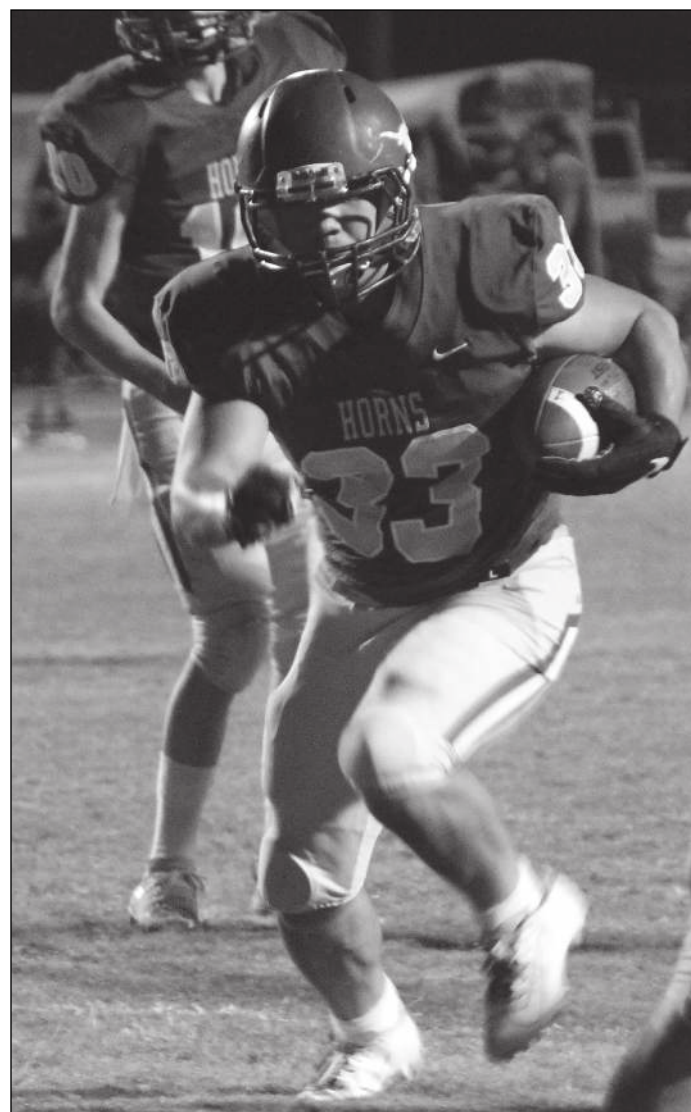
The Longhorns prepare for a critical contest with perennial district powerhouse, the Cowpunchers during homecoming in Mason at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

"People may be looking at their non-district record (1-4) and be thinking the Punchers are having an off year," Zenner said. "But they've played some tough games against the likes of Comfort (6-0), Comanche (5-0) and Wall (3-2)."

"We've got to be spot-on perfect against one of the best teams in the state. That means cutting down on the penalties and getting the ball to wide-open receivers if we're to be in the game in the fourth quarter. Especially on their home field."

Harper 34, Brackett 6	
Brackett	0 0 0 6 - 6
Harper	14 6 8 6 - 34

Statistics		HHS	MHS
Carries-Yrds	Rush.	27-110	34-8
Yards	Passing	186	110
Comp.-Pass Att.		13-25	11-17
Passes	Intercepted	2	1
Total	Offense	296	118
Fumbles	Lost	0-0	6-1
Punts	Average	2-33	5-29.2
Penalty	Yards	12-100	8-77
First	Downs	18	10



Senior Keegan Iturriza ran through a trap block that Ethan Crawford set for him in Friday's home game against Brackett. The Longhorns got their second win of the season, 34-6, over the Lions. — Photo by Lindy Segall

First quarter	Pass Receiving-Yards
HHS-Helfrich 13-yard pass from Strickland, (kick failed), 4:59.	Harper-Helfrich 4-65 TD; Durst 6-84; Iturriza 1-19; Schubert 1-12; Fontenot 1-6.
HHS-Fontenot 15-yard run, (Strickland run), 0:00.	MHS-Luis Guajardo 5-81; Tyler Bordelon 4-28; Solis 2-1.
Second quarter	District 14-2A DI standings
HHS-Durst 60-yard fumble return, (kick failed), 1:07.	Mason 1-0, 2-4
Third quarter	Harper 1-0, 2-4
HHS-Iturriza 1-yard run, (Iturriza pass from Strickland), :19.	Brackett 0-1, 1-4
Fourth quarter	Center Point 0-1, 0-4
BHS-Diego Solis 5-yard run, (pass fail), 4:54.	Johnson City 0-0, 1-4
HHS-Iturriza 1-yard run, (kick failed), 3:41.	Ozona 0-0, 3-2
Rushes-Yards	Recent Games
Harper-Iturriza 8-28 2TD; Fontenot 13-58 TD; Durst 2-23; Strickland 4-1.	Harper 34, Brackett 6; Mason 48, Center Point 7.
BHS-Solis 8-25 TD; Avian Jaso 15-41; No. 2 11(-58).	Upcoming games
Passes-Yards-TD-Interceptions	Friday, Oct. 9
Harper-Strickland 13-25-186, TD, 1 int.	Harper @ Mason, 7:30 p.m.; Johnson City @ Brackett, 7:30 p.m.; Ozona @ Center Point, 7:30 p.m.
MHS-No. 2 11-17-110 1 int.	



Billie Booster volunteer Jeri Vick works the concession stand during a sub varsity football game in September. Behind her, Audri Bowers and Kristi Mohr discuss the coronavirus protocols that parent volunteers have put in place to mitigate the spread of the virus. — Standard-Radio Post/Christine Granados

Billies' anglers finish third in tournament

Rance Penick and Kase Kramer placed third in the championship bass fishing qualifier at Canyon Lake on Saturday, Oct. 3.

Penick and Kramer, who are part of the Fredericksburg High School Battlin' Bass team, caught four fish weighing 8.680 pounds.

They placed third behind the Guardians Bass Club and Boerne Greyhounds.

Four other teams from FHS

competed in the tournament, which had 85 teams. They were: 15. Mason Carlile and Braden Green, who caught two fish weighing 4.030 and 19. Hagen Jacoby and Lincoln Staats, who caught one fish weighing 3.120. The teams of JT Parker and Sterling White and Gabe Cross and Clayton Curl also competed.

The next tournament for the Billies is Saturday, Nov. 14 at Lake LBJ.

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Game tickets for the FHS vs. Burnet varsity game at FHS Stadium at 7:30 p.m. on Friday can be purchased for \$5 for adults, \$3 for children online beginning at 8 a.m. Thursday at <https://bit.ly/2SuMtCe>. Tickets for FHS junior varsity and freshmen vs. Burnet at Bulldog Stadium on Thursday can be purchased for \$3 online at <https://bit.ly/3ixYzVH> until sold out. The freshman start at 5 p.m. and the junior varsity play at 6:30 p.m.

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was going to miss two football games. We wanted to reduce chances of that happening so we decided to keep him home."

After revisiting the quarantine measures, the board voted to loosen quarantine restrictions and allow students who were near the COVID-19 positive students, who were wearing masks, to come back to school.

FHS quarantined 151 students related to 12 confirmed cases at the high school, which forced the cancellation of freshman and junior varsity volleyball games.

"I think we're just making sure that we're not over-reacting, and we're making sure that the mask matters," Moffett said about the district's quarantine policy. "We want to use the mask as one of the mitigating processes to avoid the quarantine."

"One of our coaches got quarantined," Moffett said. "He had a student who was sick and he was wearing his mask, the whole time. My argument was, he was wearing mask, so why quarantine him?"

Instances like this one have been playing out throughout Texas high schools.

In Burnet, Coach Jerod Rye, like Moffett, is trying to mitigate the spread of the virus among his team.

He said he has four players within his entire program who have opted for remote learning due to the coronavirus.

"We have had to be more conscientious about all interactions between players and coaches, even outside the field-house," he said. "Thankfully, during the season we have not had one case."

Currently, Burnet High School has zero positive COVID cases and six within the district.

The game

Amid dealing with COVID, the Billies have managed to rest and heal from their brutal pre-season schedule during the bye week.

"I think we laid a good foundation for Burnet," Moffett said about practices.

Oddly, the coronavirus may have been the best preparation for the Billies' offense against the ever-moving, ever-slanting, ever-shifting Bulldog defense.

"They run a 3-3 stack defense and odd front. They move around a lot. They have given us trouble recently just because it's hard to predict what they're going to do," he said. "They do that a lot on defense, so you get confused on the offensive front, and

they end up getting somebody loose."

Rye said Fredericksburg is one of his team's biggest obstacles in district play.

"In non-district play, we want to get better every week, but with the start of district, we want to win every game," Rye said. "We have to find a way to get to the playoffs. It's going to be a big challenge with the Fredericksburg team."

Both teams run similar offenses, so they are used to defending against the Billies, according to Moffett.

Burnet senior Jaxson Denton, who took a backseat last year to Matthew Tippie, who then transferred to Wimberley, is moving the ball down the field on the ground and in the air for the Bulldogs once again.

At quarterback, he racked up 131 yards and two touchdowns in their game against Robinson Sept. 25, as the defense made Robinson's running and passing game non-existent.

Immel, who was back at school Tuesday, has posted impressive pre-season numbers making 52 of 120 passes for 1,019 yards and 10 touchdowns.

The Billies are hoping to best their series record by one against Burnet. They currently lead the series, 23 to 20.

"It's not like a neighboring town rivalry but anytime you repeatedly play somebody, there's a familiarity," Rye said. "More importantly our kids are trying to win a game."

FHS vs. Burnet Records

FHS 23, Burnet 20

- 2019 – FHS 10, Burnet 7
- 2018 – FHS 60, Burnet 49
- 2017 – FHS 56, Burnet 7
- 2016 – Burnet 47, FHS 21
- 2015 – Burnet 28, FHS 16
- 2014 – Burnet 55, FHS 7
- 2013 – Burnet 40, FHS 27
- 2012 – Burnet 26, FHS 21
- 2011 – Burnet 24, FHS 14
- 2010 – Burnet 55, FHS 7
- 2009 – Burnet 21, FHS 15
- 2008 – Burnet 21, FHS 7
- 2004 – Burnet 35, FHS 6
- 2005 – Burnet 13, FHS 6;
- 1993 – FHS 49, Burnet 0
- 1992 – Burnet 32, FHS 0
- 1991 – Burnet 49, FHS 6
- 1990 – FHS 22, Burnet 18
- 1965 – FHS 13, Burnet 6
- 1964 – FHS 33, Burnet 0
- 1963 – FHS 14, Burnet 6
- 1962 – Burnet 21, FHS 0
- 1961 – FHS 40, Burnet 0
- 1960 – FHS 14, Burnet 0
- 1959 – Burnet 22, FHS 8
- 1958 – FHS 36, Burnet 16
- 1957 – Burnet 39, FHS 6
- 1956 – FHS 21, Burnet 7
- 1955 – Burnet 6, FHS 0
- 1954 – FHS 38, Burnet 13
- 1953 – Burnet 27, FHS 7
- 1951 – FHS 32, Burnet 13
- 1950 – Burnet 14, FHS 12
- 1949 – Burnet 26, FHS 0
- 1948 – FHS 33, Burnet 12
- 1947 – FHS 13, Burnet 13 T
- 1946 – FHS 43, Burnet 7
- 1936 – FHS 18, Burnet 7
- 1935 – FHS 24, Burnet 0
- 1934 – FHS 6, Burnet 0
- 1932 – FHS 13, Burnet 0
- 1931 – FHS 13, Burnet 0
- 1929 – FHS 30, Burnet 0

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#	NAME	POS	YR	HT	WT
1	Devonte Miller	WR/DL	11	6'3"	200
2	Jesse LaJiller	DB	11	5'9"	155
3	Gunnar Blair	WR/DB	12	6'11"	175
4	Caleb Roberts	DB	11	5'9"	165
5	Landon Christian	WR/DB	11	6'2"	180
6	Tanner O'Hair	QB/LB	10	5'10"	170
7	Orlando Pera	WR/DB	11	5'8"	165
8	Ayden Dale	WR/DB	10	5'10"	165
9	James Alexander	RB/LB	11	5'8"	175
10	Marqus Escamilla	RB/LB	12	5'9"	170
11	Jaxson Denton	QB/DB	12	5'10"	175
12	Jackson Crawford	WR/DB	10	6'0"	170
14	Cade Rye	WR/DB	12	5'9"	155
15	Braeden Howell	RB/DE	12	6'2"	215
18	Cooper Weeks	WR	11	6'3"	175
20	Joseph Fitzsimmons	WR/DB	11	5'9"	160
22	Hunter McCoy	RB/DB	12	5'7"	150
23	Nikko Ynfante	RB/LB	11	5'8"	190
24	Jacob Johnson	WR/LB	11	6'1"	175
26	Jose Flores	K	12	5'6"	140
25	Garrett Messer	WR/DB	11	5'11"	175
27	Ethan Wolfe	DB	11	5'7"	170
28	Mason Thornley	RB/LB	12	5'11"	185
33	Grishma Pun	DE	12	5'10"	215
34	Braden Ellett-Clark	QB/DB	10	5'11"	165
35	Sam Garcia	DE	11	5'10"	200
40	Tim Hudgins	LB	12	5'8"	175
44	Brandon Ng	DL	11	5'8"	220
50	Matthew Thrane	LB	12	5'10"	170
52	Derek Cook	OL	12	5'9"	225
54	Cotton Davidsson	OL	11	5'9"	200
55	Hayden Henry	OL	12	6'0"	265
56	Dylan Perry	OL	11	6'0"	240
60	Ian Cantrill	DE	11	5'9"	185
61	Jerry Robertson	OL	11	6'0"	190
63	Jiovanni Guerrero	OL	12	5'9"	220
68	Adrian Lopez	DE	11	5'8"	225
72	Jesse Bachmeyer	OL	10	6'2"	250
73	Bennett Walker	OL	11	6'1"	215
74	Pedro Guerrero	OL	11	6'2"	240
75	Jonathan Baker	OL	11	5'10"	220
76	Jonathan Nandin	OL	12	5'10"	245
99	Carson Parker	DE	12	5'9"	190

Head Coach: Jerod Rye
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 Athletic Trainer: Natalie Handley

HERITAGE FOOTBALL

Veterans driving force behind Eagles 56-6 victory over Lions

The five-hour drive to Plano didn't seem to faze the Heritage Eagles in last Friday's 56-6 win over Coram Deo Academy.

"The long trip, the week after playing an extremely intense game and being relatively young in places typically would be a recipe for some real let downs," said Heritage Coach Tim Shipman. "The guys didn't allow that to happen. They stayed focused; they were methodical."

Joshua Hoermann and John Fritzsich had a lot to do with keeping the team on track.

Senior Hoermann and junior Fritzsich scored all eight of the Eagles' touchdowns in a game that ended early due to the 45-point mercy rule.

"I was very proud of the way the team handled the first road trip. Plano is a good team and we came out and dictated the tempo of the game," Shipman said. "We improved in many ar-

eas and we still have not reached our potential. They see places they can get better and that is the first step in doing just that. These young men played with great character despite dominating on the scoreboard."

Heritage will hit the road again for its first district game.

Friday's TAPPS Division III District 4 matchup pits the top two teams in district. The No. 1 ranked Eagles will play the No. 2 ranked Summit Christian Academy 7:30 p.m. at Cedar Park.

"Certainly this is unique in that we are in week three and playing a big district game," Shipman said. "Both of these teams return a core from last year's teams. This is not an end all game like playing Cedar Park last year in the semi-finals."

Last year, Heritage beat Summit Christian Academy, 68-40, to clinch a spot in the TAPPS State Cham-

ionship Game.

"It will go a long way in determining the district race," he said. "Cedar Park is coached by first year coach Kyle Stegall. We have respect for Cedar Park and their speed. We expect and are ready to play the best football we have played to this point in the season."

Heritage 56, Coram Deo 6	
Heritage	16 20 0 x - 56
Coram	0 0 6 x - 6

Statistics		
Heritage	Coram Deo	
23-208	Att-Yds Rush.	24-91
143	Yards Passing	59
8-10	Comp.-Pass Att.	2-14
0	Passes Intercepted	0
351	Total Offense	150
1-0	Fumbles-Lost	1-0
0-0	Punts-Average	0-0
3-25	Penalty Yards	2-15
16	First Downs	5

First quarter	
Heritage	Joshua Hoermann 8-yard run, (Brooklyn Parsons kick), 6:53.
Heritage	John Fritzsich 15-yard pass from Caden Bray, (Parsons kick), 1:59.

Second quarter	
Heritage	Fritzsich 9-yard pass from Hoermann, (Parsons kick),

9:03.
 Heritage-Fritzsich 67-yard pass from Hoermann, (kick failed), 6:01.
 Heritage-Hoermann 4-yard pass from Caden Bray, (kick failed), 2:30.

Third quarter
 Heritage-Fritzsich 45-yard run, (Parsons kick), 9:46.
 Coram Deo-Brock Domen 25-yard pass from Reid Messick, (kick failed), 8:13.
 Heritage-Hoermann 15-yard run (kick failed), 5:23.
 Heritage-Hoermann 5-yard run, 3:33.

Rushes-Yards
 Heritage-Fritzsich 6-78 TD; Hoermann 8-52, 3TDs; Henderson 7-55; Bray 2-23.
 Coram-Michael Schwab 8-59; Messick 11-27; Jackson Redard 5-5.
Passes-Yards-TD-Interceptions
 Heritage-Hoermann 2-4-76 2TDs; Bray 6-6-67, 2TDs.
 Coram-Messick 2-9-59 TD; Domen 0-5-0.

Pass Receiving-Yards
 Heritage-Fritzsich 3-91 3TDs; Hoermann 3-24 TD; Henderson 1-20; Aidan Hickey 1-8.
 Coram-Domen 1-25 TD; Redard 1-34.

Defensive leaders
 Heritage-Fritzsich 8 tackles, 1 assist; Bray 5-1; Hoermann 4-1; Hickey 3-0; Tres Jons 2-1; Alex Ludwig 1-0; Henderson 0-1; Parsons 0-1.

SMS VOLLEYBALL

St. Mary's Volleyball
SMS A Team beat St. Pius 2-0 25-5, 25-8
Oct. 5 at San Antonio
Aces: Sadie Seidenberger, 7, Hannah Moellendorf 5, Maya Mein 4, Katie Hagel 4, Addison Schoessow 2. **Kills:** Seidenberger 4, Schoessow 4, Ally Page 3, Mallory Love 1. **Assists:** Hagel 7, Seidenberger 1. **Next game:** Today, Oct. 7, 5 p.m., Providence, there.

SMS B Team beat St. Peter and Paul 2-0 25-15, 25-15
Oct. 1 at home
Aces: Mackenna Duecker 12, Madalyn Kovar 5, Livi Cotts 3, Sam Wegner 3, Willa Heep 1. **Kills:** Cotts 1, Heep 1, Wegner 1, Nora Schoessow. **Assists:** Kovar 3, Schoessow 1.

SMS A beat St. Peter and Paul 2-0 25-6, 25-10
Oct. 1 at home
Aces: Katie Hagel 6, Mallory Love 4, Sadie Seidenberger 3, Ally Page 2. **Kills:** Addison Schoessow 6, Seidenberger 4, Page 4, Love 3, Maya Mein 1, Hagel 1, Cana Vollmar 1. **Assists:** Hagel 12, Hannah Moellendorf 1, Seidenberger 1.



Hannah Moellendorf watches Addison Schoessow go for the kill during the first set of the St. Mary's A-Team match versus St. Peter and Paul Thursday, Oct. 1. — Standard-Radio Post/Samuel Sutton

Ambleside runners finish regular season

Competing on a tough course, the Ambleside varsity runners competed in the Llano Late Season Invitational Cross Country Meet in Llano on Monday.

"This was the toughest course the team has competed on," Coach Annette Lukacs said. "It starts with an uphill stretch, has rolling hills throughout the course and ends with a gradual uphill to the finish."

Lukacs said that the hot and dry afternoon also tested the runners.

"The meet was a great chance for the team to compete against much larger schools than they have this season, and the runners did very well," Lukacs said.

Top finisher for the boys was Elijah Junker who placed sixth out of 41 with a time of 19:54.

Anna Kate Goodson led the Ambleside runners in the girls' division with a

22nd place finish out of 59 runners with a time of 14:52.

In addition to Ambleside, other schools competing were San Antonio Antonian, Blanco, Comfort, Ingram, Kerrville Tivy, Llano, Mason and Wimberley.

Ambleside finishes its regular season at the Llano End of Season Invitational Cross Country Meet on Monday, Oct. 12.

The TAPPS state meet is scheduled for Nov. 2 at a location to be announced.

Llano Late Season XC Invitational Monday, Oct. 5

VARSITY GIRLS Individual finishes	
22. Anna Kate Goodson	14:52
39. Maddie Alexander	15:29
57. Luba Kager	20:21

VARSITY BOYS Individual finishes

6. Elijah Junker	19:54
20. Ian Hughes	21:20
29. Garrett Hughes	22:55

FMS/SMS FOOTBALL SCORES

FMS 8 Red Football
Lampasas 38 – FMS 8 Red 0
 Oct. 1 in Lampasas
Unusual plays: Charles Rhyne had a 20-yard reception. Rance Penick had three tackles for a loss and Andon Usener had two tackles for a loss.

Offensive standouts: Charles Rhyne, Lewis Melton and Deacon Russell. **Defensive standouts:** Rance Penick and Andon Usener.

Coach's Comments: "The 8 Red team played a very talented and well coached Lampasas team," Coach Clay Smith said. "Unfortunately, turnovers again gave them a short field more often than not and hurt our time of possession."

"There were some positive things that came out of this game though," Smith said. "Our boys never gave up, and several leaders emerged on both sides of the ball."

He added, "We will continue to prepare and get ready for Burnet."

Next Game: Thursday, Oct. 8, Burnet, FHS Stadium, 7:30 p.m.

FMS 8 White Football
Lampasas 20 – FMS 8 White 0
 Oct. 1 in Lampasas

FMS 0 0 0 0 – 0
 Lampasas 0 12 0 8 – 20

Unusual plays: Calvin Grobe recovered a fumble and Tyler Martin had a 30-yard reception. **Offensive standouts:** Aiden Bashrum, Gus Barron and Tyler Martin. **Defensive standouts:** Wyatt Peters, Ricky De La Fuente and Jayden Ruiz.

Coach's Comments: "The 8 White team lost a hard-fought battle against a very talented Lampasas team on Thursday night," Coach Pearce Loth said. "We simply could not overcome all of the unforced errors we allowed. Ball security was huge in this game and we coughed it up too many times. We moved the ball well on offense, and played good enough to win on defense," Loth said. "We will be working hard this week in practice on ball security and cashing in on long drives. We look forward to getting back on the field against Burnet this week."

Next Game: Thursday, Oct. 8, Burnet, FHS Stadium, 6:30 p.m.

FMS 7 Red Football
FMS 7 Red 8 – Lampasas 6
 Oct. 1 in Lampasas

FMS 0 0 6 2 – 8
 Lampasas 0 0 0 6 – 6

Scoring
3rd quarter: Aaron Cantu scored on a 51-yard run.
4th quarter: 95-yard extra point

return for a two-point conversion by Yair Hernandez.

Unusual plays: Hernandez and Santiago Villa each grabbed an interception. The Billies blocked a Lampasas extra point attempt and Hernandez returned it for a two-point conversion. **Offensive standouts:** Aaron Cantu and Yair Hernandez.

Defensive standouts: Hernandez, Cantu, Adrian Partida and Santi Villa.

Coach's Comments: "The 7 Red team battled a good Lampasas team for four quarters," Coach Mike Langford said. "We made some mistakes in the first half but the boys showed the Battlin' Billie spirit and continued to fight and secured the victory with just over a minute remaining."

Next Game: Thursday, Oct. 8, Burnet, FHS Stadium, 5 p.m.

FMS 7 White Football
Lampasas 34 – FMS 7 White 8
 Oct. 1 in Lampasas

FMS 0 0 8 0 – 8
 Lampasas 6 14 6 8 – 34

Scoring
3rd quarter: The Billies scored on an 86-yard pass by Dawson Holland to Michael Morin. The two-point conversion was good.

Unusual plays: The Billies recovered an onside kickoff after an 86-yard touchdown pass and successful two-point conversion.

Offensive standouts: Michael Morin. **Defensive standouts:** Jayden Persyn.

Coach's Comments: "The 7 White team played a very difficult game against a good football team," Coach Thomas Rivera said. "We stopped ourselves and key momentum we had built with a turnover that could have been the game for us."

"We are extremely proud of our total team effort and the obvious growth of the fundamentals in our athletes," the coach said.

Next Game: Thursday, Oct. 8, Burnet, FHS Stadium, 4 p.m.

St. Mary's Football
Holy Cross 13, SMS 0
Oct. 3 at Holy Cross

SMS 0 0 0 0 – 0
 Holy Cross 6 0 7 0 – 13

SMS HC
 5 First Downs 6
 -10 Rushing Yards 107
 23 Yards Passing 0
 7-12 Pass Att.-Comp. 0-0
 3-31 Punts-Avg. 1-25
 0-0 Penalties-Yd. 2-25
 Record: 0-1.

Next Game: SACS, Thursday, Oct. 8, 5:30 p.m., at home.

Tennis team sees wins in week

The Fredericksburg High School varsity tennis team got two wins during the week, helping the team improve to 6-5 overall and 2-2 in District 28-4A.

The Billies beat non-district opponent Lampasas on Saturday, 10-0 (18-1) and district opponent Canyon Lake, 17-2.

The Billies stand at third place in the district standings, behind undefeated Wimberley and Boerne.

The team hosted Davenport on Tuesday, Oct. 6.

The Billies were set host non-district opponent San Antonio Northside Warren on Saturday, Oct. 10 but matches have been canceled as the San Antonio school is only playing district matches.

FHS travels to Mason on Tuesday, Oct. 13 to face Wall. Matches will begin at 4 p.m.

(FHS) d. Zmolik, 6-0, 3-0 (ret-inj); Karson Hagel (FHS) d. Magill, 6-0, 6-1; Grayson Halford (FHS) d. Burke, 6-0, 6-1; Logan Sifford (FHS) d. Calk, 6-1, 6-1; Jack Stephens (FHS) d. Shaw, 6-0, 6-0; Dylan Sifford (FHS) d. Arellano, 6-4, 6-3; Andrew Cole (FHS) d. Rodriguez, 8-2.

Girls' singles: Bella Rodriguez (FHS) d. Valdez, 6-1, 6-1; Karina Gonzalez (FHS) d. Watson, 6-0, 6-0; Moyer d. Tatum Koennecke (FHS), 6-3, 7-6 (6); Kate Kenisky (FHS) d. Reavis, 6-1, 6-0; Skylar Denton (FHS) d. Provost, 6-1, 6-0; Ashley Colmenero (FHS) d. Zapata, 4-6, 6-2, (10-6); Sharkey d. Rachel King (FHS), 8-3; Lexi Sione (FHS) d. Jones, 7-6 (4).

Boys' doubles: Lindsay/Lopez (FHS) d. Aguirre/Zmolik, 6-3, 6-4; Hagel/Halford (FHS) d. Magill/Arellano, 6-2, 6-1; Stephens/Cole (FHS) d. Burke/Shaw, 6-0, 6-0.

Girls' doubles: Rodriguez/Gonzalez (FHS) d. Valdez/Watson, 6-0, 6-0; Kenisky/Denton (FHS) d. Moyer/Reavis, 6-3, 6-0; Koennecke/King (FHS) d. Zapata/Sharkey, 6-2, 6-3.

Mixed doubles: L. Sifford/Colmenero (FHS) d. Calk/Provost, 3-6, 6-4 (10-4); D. Sifford/Sione d. Jones/Rodriguez, 8-3.

(FHS) d. Elson, 6-0, 6-0; Denis Mustard (FHS) d. Lara, 6-3, 6-0; Tyler Smedley (FHS) d. Adams, 6-1, 6-2; Parma d. Logan Sifford (FHS), 4-6, 7-5 (10-7); Grayson Halford (FHS) d. McNew, 6-1, 6-0; Jack Stephens (FHS) d. Bowlin, 8-1.

Girls' singles: Bella Rodriguez (FHS) d. Gallagher, 6-1, 6-0; Tatum Koennecke (FHS) d. Moore, 6-4, 6-1; Kailey Schnelle (FHS) d. Jackson, 6-2, 6-0; Kate Kenisky (FHS) d. Campos, 6-2, 6-2; Smith d. Skylar Denton (FHS), 7-5, 6-2; Rachel King (FHS) d. McCutchen, 6-2, 6-2; Ashley Colmenero (FHS) d. Miller, 8-0.

Boys' doubles: Lindsay/Mustard (FHS) d. Elson/Lara, 6-0, 6-2; Lopez/Hagel (FHS) d. Adams/Parma, 6-0, 6-0; Sifford/Stephens (FHS) d. Bowlin/McCutchen, 6-0, 6-2.

Girls' doubles: Rodriguez/Gonzalez (FHS) d. Gallagher/Moore, 6-0, 6-0; Schnelle/Kenisky (FHS) d. Campos/Smith, 6-2, 6-4; Koennecke/King (FHS) d. Miller/McCutchen, 6-1, 6-4.

Mixed doubles: Halford/Denton (FHS) d. Jackson/Jackson, 6-3, 6-0.

District Standings:

1. Wimberley	4-0
2. Boerne	4-0
3. FHS	2-2
4. Davenport	1-2
5. Canyon Lake	1-4
6. Bandera	0-4

Billies seek first district win

FHS to see Bandera, Canyon Lake

By McKenzie Moellering
Standard-Radio Post reporter

Fredericksburg High School volleyball is eager to start the second half the district season, with all their players.

Two players (Madison Frantzen and Zoe Aldrich), who were quarantined returned on Tuesday, Oct. 6.

“None of them have been sick or have symptoms and they could come back to class today (Tuesday) so we are back to life as normal, as long as we can be,” head coach Jason Roemer said.

With Frantzen and Aldrich returning, Roemer expects a slow start back to the court.

“They haven’t been at practice so it may be the game of their life or they may struggle,” Roemer said.

The sub varsity teams have not had practice in more than two weeks.

“They are going to play and it’ll be interesting, that is for sure,” Roemer said.

Late Tuesday, Oct. 6, the Billies faced Wimberley (17-4), who is undefeated in District 28-4A and is currently ranked at #15 by the Texas Girls Coaches Association.

“They are a balanced team, with a good outside hitter, jumps high, has a high contact point and spreads the ball around,” Roemer said.

Roemer said Wimberley lost some of the defense to graduation last year, so he expects the game to be a close one.

“Canyon Lake and Boerne played them close and we played those teams close, too, so we have to make them uncomfortable and we have to be the ones to score late,” he said.

Throughout the season, the Billies have played several



FHS’ Carlotta Wilkinson attempts to put up a block in the second set Friday night against the Boerne Greyhounds. Wilkinson and the Billies notched their fourth district loss in three close sets, 24-26, 27-29, 22-25. — Standard-Radio Post/McKenzie Moellering

close games, but can’t seem to finish when the time comes.

“I thought we have handled these moments well but some nights we can’t get the set point and we come timid,” he said. “The key is to minimize unforced errors and finish the sets.”

Boerne

As of press time, the Billies have yet to win a district game. FHS nearly edged Boerne on Friday, Oct. 2, 24-26, 27-29, 22-25.

“We started slow and some of that may be because we had kids missing,” Roemer said. “We fought back and I was proud of how we gave ourselves a chance.”

Senior Megan Wahrmund, who had 18 kills, 12 digs and three aces, was still disappointed in her team’s loss.

“I asked her what she could have done different to help her team win and I think they just have to keep trying,” Roemer said. “We have been los-

ing and we just have to keep grinding and keep improving.”

Up next

FHS will travel to face Bandera on Friday, Oct. 9. Varsity will play at 5 p.m. followed by sub varsity at 6:15 p.m.

FHS will return home on Tuesday, Oct. 13 to host Canyon Lake.

Games are set for 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. in the FHS gyms.

FHS vs. Boerne

Oct. 2
Boerne 3, FHS 0
24-26, 27-29, 22-25
Aces: Megan Wahrmund 3, Sydney Schandua 2, Taylor DeLong 2, Emma Stewart 1.

Kills: Wahrmund 18, Clara Pluenecke 8, Schandua 3, Stewart 3, DeLong 2.

Blocks: Schandua 1, Stewart 1.
Digs: Schandua 13, Wahrmund 12, Annie Myers 8, Jenna Wallendorf 5, Sarah Stafford 4, Pluenecke 1, Stewart 1, Carlotta Wilkinson 1, Genesa Quay 1.

Assists: Schandua 23, Myers 3, Stafford 2, Wallendorf 1, Wilkinson 1, Quay 1.

Harper starts second half of district

The Harper High School Ladyhorns volleyball team are now 4-2 in Region IV-District 29-2A play as the second half the district season is underway.

Five games remain on the Ladyhorns’ schedule, four of which are district matchups.

Currently, Johnson City is leading the district standings and is ranked #19 by the Texas Girls Coaches Association.

Harper lost to Johnson City for the second time this season on Friday, Oct. 2, 14-25, 16-25, 26-28.

Harper notched a district win earlier in the week against Center Point, 25-12, 25-13, 25-15.

Harper was also able to play a non-district game against D’Hanis (ranked #9) on Saturday but lost in three sets.

Late Tuesday, Oct. 6, Harper traveled to Utopia to fill an open game as district op-

ponent San Antonio Lee canceled their season.

On Friday, Harper returns to district play to travel to Medina. Game time is 5 p.m.

On Tuesday, Oct. 13, the Ladyhorns will travel to Junction. Game time is 6 p.m.

Harper at Center Point

Sept. 29
Harper 3, Center Point 0
25-12, 25-13, 25-15

Aces: Talli Millican 4, Carter Wood 3, Brittany Evans 2, Rachel Perkins 1, Kamryn Baethge 1, Trinity Stevens 1.

Kills: Wood 11, Millican 9, Emily Seewald 6, Perkins 2, Baethge 2, Caroline Bacon 1.

Blocks: Millican 2.
Digs: Millican 9, Perkins 5, Sloan Spenrath 5, Baethge 2, Wood 2, Bacon 2, Seewald 1.

Assists: Perkins 15, Baethge 9.
100 percent service: Stevens 11/11, Bacon 5/5.

Harper at D’Hanis

Oct. 3
D’Hanis 3, Harper 0
20-25, 12-25, 12-25

Aces: Talli Millican 2, Brittany Evans 2, Taylor Evans 1, Kamryn Baethge 1, Sloan Spenrath 1.

Kills: Millican 4, Emily Seewald 3, Rachel Perkins 2, Baethge 2, Carter Wood 2, Bacon 1.

Blocks: Seewald 2, Millican 2.
Digs: B. Evans 7, Perkins 6, T. Evans 6, Seewald 5, Millican 5, Trinity Stevens 4, Spenrath 2, Bacon 2, Wood 1.

Assists: Baethge 7, Perkins 4.
100 percent service: Perkins 10/10, Baethge 4/4, Stevens 1/1.

Harper vs. Johnson City

Oct. 2
Johnson City 3, Harper 0
14-25, 16-25, 26-28

Aces: Talli Millican 2.
Kills: Millican 5, Carter Wood 4, Brittany Evans 3, Rachel Perkins 2, Emily Seewald 2, Sloan Spenrath 1, Kamryn Baethge 1, Caroline Bacon 1.

Blocks: Seewald 1, Wood 1.
Digs: Taylor Evans 13, B. Evans 13, Perkins 9, Baethge 9, Seewald 5, Millican 4, Trinity Stevens 4, Bacon 1, Spenrath 1.

Assists: Perkins 8, Baethge 6, Spenrath 1, B. Evans 1.
100 percent service: Perkins 21/21, T. Evans 7/7.

Runners mark personal best times

Fredericksburg boys’ cross country team continued its four-meet win streak with a first place finish at the Mason Invitational Meet last Wednesday.

“It was perfect running conditions and another solid course with elevation changes to help us continue our training for district in three more weeks,” said Head Coach Dan Aldrich. “Although we were missing many kids, the athletes who traveled competed very well and we got better today.”

The boys finished first in their division and had eight individual medalists.

Andrew Kendrick set a new personal best with a 15:58 to win his division in the three-mile race.

Also medaling were: 3. Miles Hammond, 4. Christian Torres, 6. Ray Romero, 7. Kaleb Torres, 8. Jorge Lopez, 13. Enrique Alvarado and 14. Logan Sifford.

The girls finished third in their division with two individual medalists.

Taylor Grona set a new personal best for a two-mile cross country course with an 11:46 to win her division and Maribella Arias finished 15th.

“Next week we travel to Bandera (Saturday, Oct. 10) to race against eight teams we have not seen this year,” Aldrich said. “We are excited to race on a flat course and since it is the site of our district meet (in Bandera, Oct. 28) it will be a good chance to preview the course.”

On Wednesday, Oct. 28 in Bandera race times are: 8 a.m. varsity girls; 8:30 a.m. varsity boys; 11 a.m. varsity girls and 11:30 a.m. varsity boys.

berley Blue 15.3.

Individual girls' finishes

- Taylor Grona 11:46
- Maribella Arias 13:39
- Stephanie Neri 14:00
- Anna Gold 14:24
- Natalie Plancarte 14:29
- Juliana Martinez 14:30
- Amie Pyka 15:02
- Alyssa Parker 15:13
- Jaelynn Rock 15:23
- Keliah Wehmeyer 16:07
- Clara Quay 18:10

Varsity Boys Team results

Race 2: 1. FHS Red 21; 2. Kerrville Gold 44; 3. Wimberley Red 95; 4. Kerrville Blue 121; **5. FHS White 133;** 6. Llano 136.

Individual finishes FHS Red

- Andrew Kendrick 15:58
- Miles Hammond 17:56
- Kristian Torres 17:56
- Ray Romero 18:26
- Kaleb Torres 18:26
- Jorge Lopez 18:44
- Logan Sifford 19:58
- Blake Penick 20:07
- Enrique Alvarado 19:51

Individual finishes FHS White

- Jose Lopez 20:11
- Dylan Sifford 21:16
- Kolby Fryburger 21:41
- Spencer Holt 23:21
- Joseph Vaughan DNF

Harper High School Varsity Girls Team results

Race 1: 1. Mason 26; 2. SSSD 43; 3. Harper Green 59; 4. Ozona 101; 5. Ingram Tom Moore 154; 6. Junction 159.

Individual finishes HHS Green

- Whitney Spaeth 13:08
- Nikki Nelms 13:53

- Rebekah Stracke 14:04
- Peyton Cox 14:11
- Ally Hill 14:28
- Chloe Palmer 14:37
- Jaycee Conner 15:03

Varsity Boys Team results

Race 1: 1. Harper Green 19; 2. Ingram Tom Moore Warriors Red 65; 3. Ozona 73; **4. Harper White 100;** 5. Junction 139; 6. Ingram White 147.

Individual finishes HHS Green

- Newt Eaheart 18:26
- Gray Porter 19:03
- Zane Schubert 19:07
- Derek Perkins 19:09
- Colton Porter 19:39
- Zane Fry 19:57
- Ty Holekamp 20:53

Individual finishes HHS White

- Ethan Garrett 20:37
- Wesley Marbach 20:45
- Wesley Spaeth 20:58
- Creston Hill 22:11
- Marcus Maddar 24:17



Andrew Kendrick set a new personal best time, 15:58, with his first-place victory in the three-mile race at the Mason Invitational Cross Country Meet last Wednesday. — Standard-Radio Post file photo

FMS CROSS COUNTRY

Fredericksburg Middle School runners are competing in the District Cross Country Meet starting at 4 p.m. today, Wednesday, Oct. 7, in Medina Valley.

The final meet of the season comes on the heels of the Boerne Voss Middle School Invitational on Saturday where FMS runners competed against teams from four other schools, including Boerne North and South, Kerrville and Voss.

At the Voss meet on Saturday, the seventh and eighth grade girls each finished second in the standings, the eighth grade boys were fourth and the seventh grade boys were fifth.

Boerne Voss MS Invitational Saturday, Oct. 3

7th GIRLS Team finishes

1. Boerne South	20
2. Fredericksburg	54
3. Kerrville	68
4. Boerne Voss	115
5. Boerne North	127

Individual finishes

1. Rylin Grona	12:26
8. Izzy Reeh	14:04
12. Ella LeRoux	14:22
16. Ryan Griffin	14:47
17. Natalie Cantu	14:59
40. Lacie Carter	18:36

8th GIRLS Team finishes

1. Boerne North	50
2. Fredericksburg	51
3. Boerne South	63
4. Kerrville	70
5. Boerne Voss	116

Individual finishes

3. Annaleise Munoz	13:23
5. Valeria Ramirez	13:37
12. Mackenzie Weirich	14:49
14. Natalie Bermudez	14:52
17. Brooklyn Monaco	15:22
24. Edith Zurita	15:48
34. Madeline Chaney	18:13

7th BOYS Team finishes

1. Boerne South	38
2. Kerrville	58
3. Boerne North	71
4. Boerne Voss	77
5. Fredericksburg	108

Individual finishes

3. Andrew Pyka	13:03
21. Anthony Ruiz	14:50
26. Christian Adams	15:42
28. Isaac Sublett	15:45
30. David King	16:10
36. Derreck Wendel	17:50

8th BOYS Team finishes

1. Boerne Voss	28
2. Kerrville	56
3. Boerne South	60
4. Fredericksburg	96
5. Boerne North	NP

Individual finishes

2. Derek Adams	12:18
15. George Stenberg	13:30
19. Jackson Johnson	13:50
27. Sebastian Bach	14:49
33. Eli Quay	15:42
34. Tristan King	15:45

Eagles move forward in district play

The Heritage Eagles volleyball team is starting the district season at 0-2.

The young Eagles team (2-4 overall) lost to fellow TAPPS 1A-District 6 schools San Antonio Atonement, 11-25, 25-23, 18-25, 20-25, and San Marcos Hill Country, 25-18, 25-21, 23-

25, 11-15, this past week.

Madison Brantley led the team with 40 digs and three aces on Tuesday, Sept. 29 against SA Atonement. Ellie Shipman had six kills and two blocks. Acelynn Thompson added nine assists.

On Thursday, Oct. 1 against

San Marcos Hill Country, Brantley had 26 digs while Shipman and Eleanor Loggie had seven kills. Shipman also had three blocks. Alivia Jons had 14 assists three aces.

The team will host Boerne Homeschool Thursday, Oct. 8 at 7 p.m. in the school’s MPAC.

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SWIM Cont. from B1

Mistr is also a master trainer and a U.S. Olympic Committee certified trainer in Olympic weightlifting, who was inches away from going to the 2020 Summer Olympics in Tokyo.

To qualify to help Olympic athletes, trainers must earn themselves a spot on the team. Only gold medal trainers are given the nod.



Teammates watch Tyler Smedley struggle against the resistance cord that Coach Shannon Mistr is holding. Smedley volunteered to be the first to try the resistance belt training exercise. — Standard-Radio Post/Christine Granados

Olympic hopeful

Out of 40,000 trainers in the 24-Hour Fitness system, Mistr was one of the 1,000 picked to go to the bronze level. That number got whittled down to 100 in the silver level.

“So I got that, then the pandemic hit and 24-Hour filed for bankruptcy,” she said. “The end game was gold. Those 25 trainers would go to this year’s Olympics and help train. I was one step away from going to the Olympics.”

She said, the application process for the gold was going to be in December but 24-Hour Fitness financial issues forced them to drop the training program and on March 14, Mistr and thousands of other trainers were furloughed.

“Then the Olympics got canceled until next year,” she said.

New direction

With her furlough, she thought about her future and moving closer to her mother, who lives in Llano. She applied to many different school districts in the Hill Country and was offered the FMS girls’ coordinator’s job and positions coaching volleyball and track.

A week later, when FHS Swim Coach Kinsey Mahoney announced she was moving back to Indiana after her fiancé lost his job due to the pandemic, Mistr took over swim team duties.

She spent her youth in the water, despite living in landlocked Midland. Mistr, who

was Hatfield back then, swam for the Midland Club team.

“She really worked hard and made herself into an athlete,” said Brad Swendig, Mistr’s club team coach, who is now executive director of the City of Midland Aquatics. “In high school, she always made it to district and regionals. She was always getting faster each year and better and better.”

After high school, she swam at Texas A&M for one year.

“The fly and sprint free were my go-to strokes,” she said. “Of course, I swam whatever my coach told me to swim.”

Shoulder director of the City of Midland Aquatics. “In high school, she always made it to district and regionals. She was always getting faster each year and better and better.”

When she graduated with a bachelor’s degree in political science from Texas A&M, she did stints as a counselor at the community college level for five years.

She has two children: Audrey, who graduated from Texas A&M-Corpus Christi in December and Brady, who is a junior there.

Mistr taught and coached in Bastrop and Frisco ISDs for 18 years.

At Liberty High School, her teams consistently competed in the 5A state tournament. In 2016, the boys’ team she coached took seventh place in

state.

She stepped away from coaching for three years and became a master trainer in that time before coming back to the classroom.

FHS swim

Mistr has big plans for the swim program at FISD. They begin their season Saturday (Oct. 10) in a tri-meet against Uvalde and Medina Valley at the NISD Natatorium, 8400 North Loop 1604 West in San Antonio.

“The issue right now is that there are no invitationals. Maximum, you can have three teams per meet,” Mistr said about scheduling meets for the swim season. “Right now, you can only have duals or tris, which eliminated invites, which kind of stinks because the bigger the meet the more competition.”

Last year’s team sent five swimmers to the 5A State Swimming and Diving Meet in Austin.

Mary Cornett, who finished 20th in the 50 free, was the first female swimmer to qualify for the state meet at FHS. Tyler Smedley, who will be returning this year, was on the 400 free relay team that came in 20th at state.

“My primary goal this year



The FHS Billies 2020-21 swim team members, from left are: **first row** – Mylee Day, Emma Shepard, Delaney Bedford, Maggie Shepard, Angelica Orosco and Eleanor Burns; **second row** – Mary Cornett, Abigail Pirie, Barrett Young, Anne Osterberg and Nick Mikosh; **third row** – Coach Robyn Renschel, Gus Spence, Rylan Steitle, Lexi Blackwell, Aspen Williams, Tyler Smedley and Coach Shannon Mistr; **fourth row** – Will Cooke, William Vorauer, Karsten Ottmers, Sam O’Leary and Hal Degenhardt. Not pictured: Kieran Ferriere, Abby Kate Spence and Isabell Simon. — Photos by Images by Mike Keith

2020 Fredericksburg High School Swim

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Saturday, Oct. 10	Uvalde/Medina Valley	NISD Natatorium, SA	4 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 18	Burnet/Liberty Hill/MF	Highland Lakes YMCA	4 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 8	Burnet/Dripping Springs/MF	Highland Lakes YMCA	4 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 9	Smithson Valley/JPII	NISD Natatorium, SA	4 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 29	District 18-5A Meet	Walker/Davis Natatorium	8 a.m.
Friday, Feb. 5	Region	Texas A&M Natatorium	8 a.m.
Friday, Feb. 19	UIL State Girls’ Finals	Jamail TX Swimming Ctr	8 a.m.
Friday, Feb. 26	UIL State Boys’ Finals	Jamail TX Swimming Ctr	8 a.m.

was I want them to enjoy the sport and to have fun because I cannot promise them a season, because of COVID-19,” Mistr said. “We’re going to work with what we have and be thankful for what we’ve got and move forward.”

Long term, she would like to see about the school having its

own swimming facility.

“I can think of all the different things we could have with a shared facility,” she said.

In the immediate future, she is looking forward to her first meet of the season.

“I can’t wait for them to have a meet to have a baseline for those who swam last year to

see where they are at,” she said. “I keep telling the kids, ‘You don’t realize how lucky you are you finished your season last year. Think of baseball. Think of track. They were heading into championship seasons, and it was ripped out from under them.’ I hope we can finish.”

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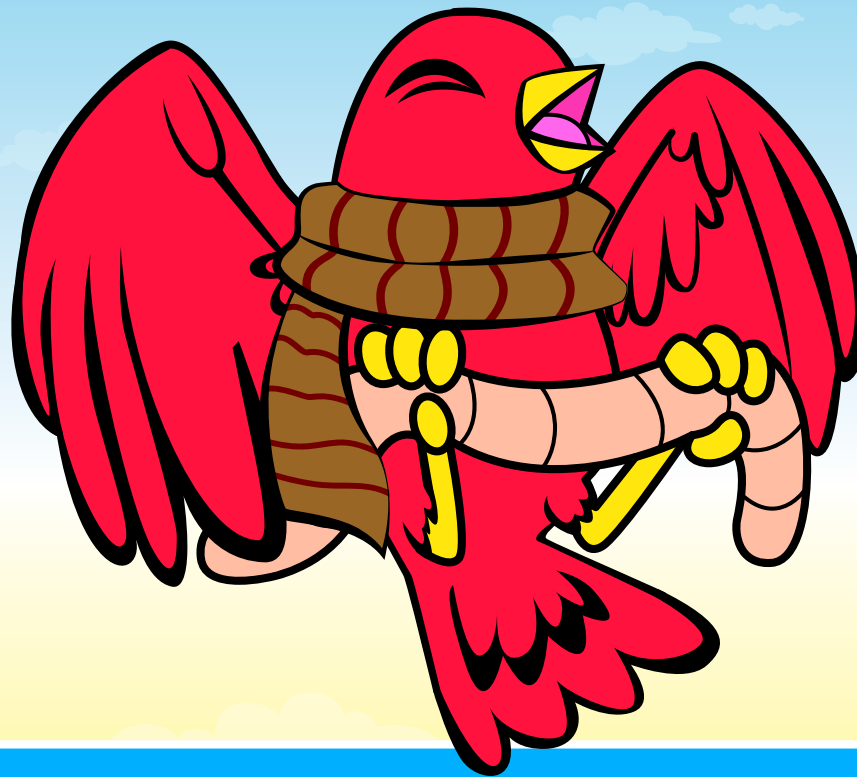
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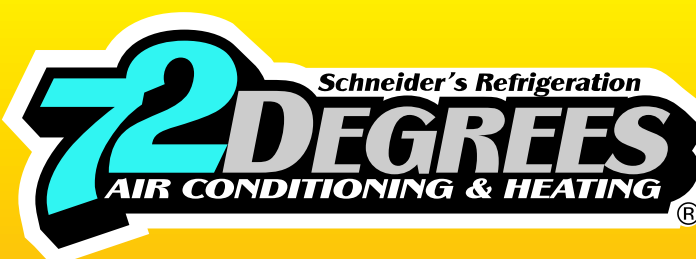
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City sets dates for fall-winter leaf collection

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During this program, residents are encouraged to gather leaves from their property and rake them to the street. Residents are reminded of the following guidelines which will ensure pick up:

- Rake leaves onto the street, 12 inches from the curb;
- Don't rake limbs, twigs, wire, rocks, bricks or other debris along with leaves for collection, as this could damage leaf collection equipment and they will not be picked up for that reason. Special arrangements can be made for those who can't remove debris at a cost of \$100;
- Avoid parking vehicles near leaf piles, as collection equipment can't maneuver around them; and
- Remember that leaves with grass clippings, limbs or other debris will not be picked up.

Leaves left out after Jan. 29 will not be picked up, and residents will be notified to properly dispose of them. If leaves aren't disposed of, residents could pay a \$100 fee for each dump truck-sized load.

Spring leaf collection is tentatively set to begin in March 2021.

For questions, call the Street Department at 830-997-7521.

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Fall finds

Vendors, shoppers occupy St. Joseph's Halle with holiday gifts, artwork and more



Pampered Chef consultant Valerie Remschel shows off the newest stoneware pieces from Pampered Chef. Remschel had a booth set up at the Fall Market on Saturday at St. Joseph's Halle. Donations from the event went to The Grace Center of Fredericksburg, a women and children's center coming to Fredericksburg soon. — Standard-Radio Post/McKenzie Moellering



A scarecrow sits on a teeter totter that was for sale at the market. The vendor also sold handcrafted picnic tables for kids.



Photo left, shoppers visited St. Joseph's Halle on Saturday for a Fall Market. The market included handcrafted holiday décor, home décor, jewelry, artwork, handmade gifts and more. Earrings from Mae's Barntique were for sale at the Fall Market on Saturday.

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“There are horrible periods in which entire nations sink into the plague of darkness and hatred.”

— Svetlana Alexievich

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EDITORIALS

A trying time for our FISD trustees

Unprecedented changing situation, unintended effects make their job difficult and our support necessary

When it began, no one knew how serious or how long the coronavirus pandemic would last. No one anticipated that seven months after it began it would have disastrous effects on human life, everyday interactions and what was a solid economy.

Yet the virus has affected every facet of life, right down to the education of our children. Our school district's trustees, administrators, teachers, staff and students have all had to adjust on the fly and think of how best to deal with this situation.

We are confident all decisions being made are for the well-being and safety of the students and staff. But decisions regarding masks, social distancing, quarantining and online instruction can lead to unintended effects, causing additional workloads for already frustrated teachers, as well as the “missing out” for students whose lives have already been upended. Some are tuning out of online instruction. And as stated at the board of trustees meeting on Monday night, a mass exodus of students from our public education system would have disastrous effects.

Our administrators need to be tuned in to the best practices of other districts. Some have told us privately they feel not enough emphasis is being put in that area. (The Texas Education Agency also could likely do a better job sharing successes of some districts for others to adopt.)

While online instruction has been a

part of college-level instruction for years, including our own Texas Tech University and Central Texas College campuses, our elementary, middle schools and high schools have had to have a crash course over the past seven months.

Through it all, our trustees have had to wade through changes, accept input from teachers and parents, and develop policies on the fly to deal with a rapidly changing situation.

Smaller districts may have had an easier time of it with a more insulated bubble of a smaller pool of students. And private schools can deal with things with more agility.

Board President Lance Love, a medical doctor, thanked everyone who spoke and said decisions need to be collaborative with as much help from administration as possible. Maintaining the confidence of parents and taxpayers also needs to be paramount.

Hoping it would just go away has not been an effective strategy. There need to be Plan Bs and Plan Cs, borrowing from the best ideas around the state.

We tend to cut all some slack as this is an unprecedented situation and some regulations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the TEA must be met. We are grateful to the board members for attempting to do the right thing in the face of this pandemic. Let's remember this and not let this coronavirus cause additional ill will in this community toward those who are working hard to deal with it. — K.E.C.

ONLINE

Monday's meeting, which the Fredericksburg Standard broadcast on its Facebook page, is available for viewing at facebook.com/fredericksburgstandard

State revenue picture will be a challenge

Any estimate of projected state revenues this year will be subject to uncertainty. As sure as it seemed an economic thaw was coming to the state, we had another spike in coronavirus cases.

State Comptroller Glenn Hegar, whom we believe does an excellent job, has worked on the Certified Revenue Estimate (CRE) constantly since the coronavirus outbreak began seven months ago.

Before each legislative session, the Comptroller's office issues an estimate to project the amount lawmakers will have to spend. And the Texas Constitution prohibits exceeding that amount as Texans prefer a “pay as you go” system.

This year, lawmakers will face a definite challenge as tax revenues will be lower than normal due to less spending in virtually every sector of the economy, from

hotel taxes, to motor vehicle rental taxes, to gasoline taxes, to mixed beverage and sales taxes.

The continuing glut in the oil market, only made worse by the pandemic, will also affect the lawmakers' budget.

Employment also continues to affect the budget with more Texans applying for jobless benefits. In spite of a return of many jobs, Texans still have fewer employees than three months earlier.

“COVID-19 is not disappearing,” Hegar said. “We're going to have to learn to strike a balance between keeping people safe and allowing the economy to slowly open up. We have to recognize the new norm.”

It will serve us all well to remember this when so many will be clamoring for state funds come January. — K.E.C.



National Newspaper Week is Oct. 4-10. Support your local news source, many times the only game in town covering local events.

Recognizing a paper's value in 'cancel' era

Last night, two of our reporters covered meetings by the Fredericksburg Independent School District Board of Trustees and the Fredericksburg City Council. As usual, they were the only media present. We live-streamed the school trustee meeting on our Facebook page, hoping to let the public take in what we were witnessing. We don't charge the district for this and hope to upgrade our technology to eventually have better capabilities. I listened to the proceedings online, like a lot of other people.

On the meeting agendas were some hot-button issues. Read about these in the front section of the paper. I point this out in the face of criticism for my column last week, questioning our president's character. On the following two pages, you can read the critics, which I gladly publish. In America, we are free to express ourselves and editors can and should expect some kickback when they disagree with people in their community. As publishers and editors, the last four generations of men in my family have had to endure their share of criticism for some issues.

What is disturbing is the “cancel culture” we can see regarding local news entities. Even though we had 50 other pages last week of community news, features, business stories, advertising and more, the voice of the opinion pages — clearly marked as “Comment” — sometimes gets people to cancel all the other value we bring to informing our community. We didn't have mass cancellations after my column, but there has been an overall trend of people not supporting their local paper as they used to and getting all their news from the unprofessional and chaotic social media pages.

So, we're asking anyone who has canceled us to give us another shot and weigh what we do for the town against the



Texas Type

Ken Esten Cooke

occasional disagreeable commentary.

Last week in our paper, we had the chance to honor Helen McDonald, who helped with the growth of the National Museum of the Pacific War. We also covered for posterity the last-play win for our Billies football team over rival Boerne. Those young men will remember that the rest of their lives.

We were there for Harper's day of events, had a story on the county elections department and promoted art events, like First Friday Art Walk, theater and the now-online Texas Rangers Heritage Center fundraiser. We also had our usual listing of music shows in local clubs. We promoted Stonewall Volunteer Fire Department's fish fry, always a great and worthy event. We published business news and each week we run informative and insightful columns from Penny McBride of the Chamber of Commerce and Ernie Loeffler of the FCVB.

You can read Phil Houseal's always-entertaining-and-quirky take on what he writes about. You can read about local churches holding events and ministering to we locals. We published a story about a Hill Country group working to prevent veteran suicide. And we had news on the activities of the police and sheriff's departments.

We published a history column about the coolest old building that was a domino parlor from Mike Barr. We had agricultural news about the pecan crop, and news for amateur gardeners and homeowners about common plants and pests. We also had a movie review, a locally produced recipe column and information about what college courses are available at a

local campus.

And, importantly, we provided a way for people to sell goods and services, homes, advertise jobs. Lastly, we helped people pay tribute to lost loved ones.

None of that comes easily or cheaply. We invest a lot to bring you a great roundup of news and happenings in Gillespie County. It costs our readers less than \$1 a week to subscribe and support our efforts — less than a bottle of soda a week.

We also warn of leaving the news strictly to social media which Lord knows is tons more divisive and disagreeable than any other medium.

This is National Newspaper Week (Oct. 4-10), and hopefully it's a chance to reflect on what we do for the communities we serve. We really do think of it as a public service, even a calling.

And in truth, we don't think of ourselves as just a “paper” anymore. We have growing use among our digital edition, our website pages, our video and, yes, our social media presence. But we also have expanded to magazines and other digital publishing options.

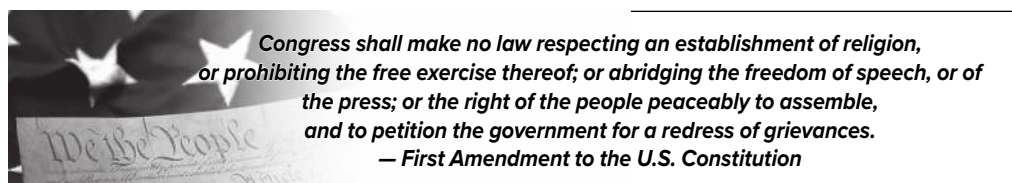
Society needs journalists and we need media institutions. Other than the three branches of government, the only other check for our democracy named explicitly in our Constitution is the free press.

So, as I told one of my letter-writing critics, “even though we differ on issues, I still think highly of you and hope you have a good week.”

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Early voting starts October 13

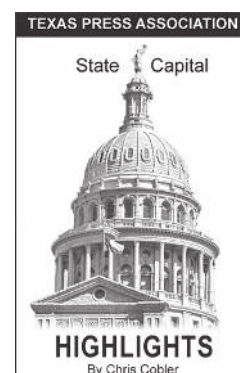
Gov. Greg Abbott's executive order and a Texas Supreme Court decision changed some counties' plans for handling mail-in ballots for the Nov. 3 election.

Citing security concerns, Abbott ordered all 254 Texas counties to offer only one drop-off location for absentee ballots.

“These enhanced security protocols will ensure greater transparency and will help stop attempts at illegal voting,” Abbott said.

Democrats accused the Republican governor of trying to suppress the vote, particularly in larger metropolitan areas. The League of United Latin American Citizens, the League of Women Voters and two individuals filed a lawsuit to challenge the order.

“Geographically, Harris County is larger than the entire state of Rhode Island,”



Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo said. “Our population rivals that of the entire state of Colorado. To propose only a single, secure drop-off location for a county of our size during a pandemic is ludicrous.”

Earlier, the Republican-controlled Texas Supreme Court issued a ruling that created a similar partisan reaction about voting security and rights. The court said Harris

and other counties could not send unsolicited mail-in ballots to voters.

In-person early voting starts Oct. 13 in Texas. The Texas Library Association is encouraging its member libraries to share election guides created by the League of Women Voters. Many local newspapers (including the *Fredericksburg Standard*) will include a voting guide.

Early voting runs until Oct. 30. The deadline to apply for a mail-in ballot is Oct. 23, and the deadline to return a mail-in ballot is Nov. 3.

Along with visiting their local libraries and reading their local newspapers, people may go to the League's vote411.org for information about their ballots for the general election. Also, the “Texas Tribune,” a statewide nonprofit news initiative, offers ballot information at TexasTribune.com.

★ ELECTION 2020 ★

Hearing from both sides

Republicans, Democrats weigh in on November vote

Editor's note: We asked the Gillespie County Republican and Democratic party chairpersons to briefly weigh in on what has been a contentious election season and extol the virtues of their party. Below are their submissions.

Cathy Collier
Gillespie County Democratic Party Chair

It didn't have to be like this.
Children separated from their grandparents; students learning remotely; an economy teetering on the brink of crisis; over 211,000 of our fellow citizens dead.

If the warnings of science and the best health practices had been advocated from the White House — instead of denied — perhaps far fewer than 211,000 of our fellow citizens would have lost their lives due to COVID-19. Restaurants and small businesses wouldn't be suffering. Unemployment would not be so high. Lives would not be so disrupted.

It didn't have to be like this.

Children locked in cages at our borders — separated from their families because our President sought to punish instead of coming up with a humane immigration policy.

It didn't have to be like this.

People on the streets ignited by hate and fear. Others, frustrated with a lack of leadership, taking to the streets to protest injustice in our criminal justice system.

It didn't have to be like this.

Wondering if the Russians or some other foreign power will be putting out lies and manipulating media to try to influence our elections.

It didn't have to be like this.

Roadblocks put up to hinder or intimidate voters at every turn whether through disruption of the United States Postal Service or by unrealistically casting doubt on mail-in votes. Cutting the numbers of polling places nationwide to make it more difficult to vote. Lying about voter fraud when there is no evidence to support that claim.

There aren't enough words — and readers don't have enough time — to read everything that *could* have been if we had a President who believed in truth; believed in working across the aisle; fostered respect and compassion rather than disunity and suspicion.

We have the opportunity to elect a candidate who brings intelligence, education and a record of working across the aisle. Joe Biden has demonstrated the kind of leadership, both on the world stage and here at home, that will seek to rein in our divisiveness and find consensus. He brings actual qualifica-

tions — from his time working in the U.S. Senate to his years of presiding over the Senate as Vice President.

He is respected by the military, including the hundreds of retired military officers who have published their support of Joe Biden over the current President because they know that Biden has respect for them. They know that Biden will not malign or slander our military, and he won't use them recklessly.

While there are those who want you to believe that Joe Biden — and all politicians — are corrupt, the truth is that the current president who promised to “drain the swamp” is easily the most corrupt in our history, a fact acknowledged by members of the President's own party. As for Joe Biden,

a Republican-majority Senate investigation into Biden's dealings in the Ukraine that found no evidence of wrong-doing.

Don't believe the voices that say that Democrats don't support police; that Democrats believe in open borders; that people who make a career of working in government are corrupt, that Democrats want no police and advocate chaos

in the streets.

Believe the dedicated, qualified men and women from the President's own administration — many of them appointed by the President himself, who have resigned or spoken out to detail their fears that our democracy itself is at risk.

Believe that government can work. It works when serious, qualified, creative people — not syncophants and big political donors — are allowed to do their jobs. It has worked before and it can work again.

Believe that we need a president who will listen to all constituents, not just the ones who voted for them.

Believe that we need a president who will work to rebuild our economy, not just give tax cuts to the wealthy.

Joe Biden believes, as do most reasonable people, that we NEED both Republicans and Democrats — but we don't need elected officials who will follow in lock-step with an administration that is, day by day, becoming a monumental failure and a very real danger to its own people.

We need to restore honesty, integrity, intelligence, compassion and, yes, true patriotism to the office of President. We need Joe Biden.

Mo Saïdi, Chair
Gillespie County Republican Party Chair

Fifty years ago, a 19-year old student boarded a Pan-Am airliner with a one-way ticket flying thousands of miles across oceans to a foreign country called America. He embarked on this journey with no knowledge of its language, culture, way of life, or any friend or family.

He was alone and guided only by his belief that if he studied and worked hard, America would reward him. That person is humbly writing to you today as a proud American declaring his utmost love for his adopted country.

My story is a true story of America like so many others who strive to come to this wonderful country to live a better life. Why am I telling you this? It is to speak from the heart and personal experience that there is truly a unique and exceptional American experience that no other country offers.

A country filled with immense opportunities, freedom, and wonderful generous people who reach out with love and open hearts.

Sadly, there are those amongst us, who want nothing short of destroying our way of life and removing God from our daily vocabulary. What has happened in the last few months has been personally disheartening to say the least. Burning, looting, hatred, cries of systemic racism, and cold-blooded murder of our police officers have created a mob rule mentality that if not curbed, will adversely change the direction of this beautiful country.

I am aghast — we used to despise these behaviors from third-world dictatorial governments, not in America.

Four years ago, the people elected an outsider, Donald Trump as President, because they were tired of career politicians who talked fancy and delivered nothing. They found Mr. Trump to be a refreshing straight speaker without sugar coating his messages.

They elected an outsider because they did not want a politician from the elite Washington establishment with Ivy League credentials and globalist agenda. They trusted his business acumen demanding performance and accountability to clean house and solve our nation's problems. This was something that the opposition career politicians

perceived as a serious threat to their interest. Thus began the vicious unrelenting cycle of hatred to remove him from office at all cost by any means.

In four years, we have seen numerous outrageous behaviors, baseless investigations and lies, which have done nothing to improve the life of our citizens, except to bolster the hatred dividing us further apart. Meanwhile through it all, Mr. Trump kept on working and delivering for the American people. Tax reform, criminal justice reform, VA reform, immigration and border control, peace agreements and trade negotiations, energy independence, lowest unemployment and highest economics expansion in the history of America (pre-COVID), just to name a few.

Despite relentless barrages of lies and smear tactics, Mr. Trump delivered what the American people expected of him giving credence to the slogan: “Promises made — Promises kept.” He is a battle-tested, highly effective achiever domestically and internationally by putting America's interest first on every policy he pursues.

Dear fellow Americans, this election is the most transformational election we are facing this November. The choice could not be any clearer: On one side is again another ineffective career politician with 47 years in Congress, who has passed his prime. His agenda is to move America closer to socialism burdening us with massive taxes and stifling any chance of robust economic growth.

On the other side, there is this proven, result-driven outsider, who has already delivered reforms in three years that the previous administration could not do in eight years. We cannot and should not accept socialism policies of anti family, anti freedom, anti free-market, and anti religion as it would destroy this wondrous country forever.

So, if you believe in the rule of law and not mob rule, if you stand with the Constitution and 2nd amendment, if you believe in sanctity of life from conception, if you believe in our freedom and God in our pledge of allegiance, and if you place faith, family, flag, and freedom in your thoughts and deeds, then you stand with Donald J. Trump and all the Republican candidates in this election.

Let's elect Trump and Republican candidates to continue the journey of making America great Again!



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Taxes

Ken Cooke is appalled by the report that, according to *The New York Times*, President Trump paid minimal taxes the last few years. I'd like to offer a few thoughts.

First, I don't believe we have much information on Trump's taxes — other than the *Times* word for what they are. So, Cooke's column appears to be not much more than one journalist reporting on another journalist reporting leaked information (which may be illegal).

Second, as to Cooke's morality play on paying “adequate” taxes, here are a few points. Avoiding taxes is legal; evading taxes is not. So far, I have seen nothing that suggests President Trump has illegally evaded taxes. And we need to remember that paying more than you legally owe is effectively just a charitable contribution.

We should also remember it was predominantly the Left that gave us the voluminous tax code we now have, attempting to control our lives through financial incentives and disincentives for every imaginable activity. They have consistently undermined attempts for a simpler taxation system. (Remember Steve Forbes' postcard-sized tax return?)

While Cooke's friends at the *Times* hate Trump for not paying “adequate” taxes, it's apparently okay for them to do it. I note a story from CBS News citing reports that the *Times* paid no taxes in 2017 despite \$111 million in income. And *Forbes* reports that the *Times* accepted \$26 million in tax breaks to keep jobs in New York City. Any hint of hypocrisy here? Or when George Soros uses convoluted tax rules uniquely favoring hedge fund owners to reduce his taxes by hundreds of millions, if not billions, of dollars?

Perhaps Cooke should revisit his role as the arbiter-in-chief of morality based on the adequate payment of taxes. Or, if he insists, perhaps he should let us see his taxes.

Michael Porter
Doss

Pay more?

Many lament the leaked information regarding the paltry amounts paid in taxes by President Trump. There is of course no context to the amount, which

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was illegally obtained.

It is interesting the amount of criticism thrown in the president's direction, given there are no allegations of the law being broken, and he apparently followed the same laws we all follow, the very same laws presumably Joe Biden voted for over the course of his 47 years in office.

Personally, every year I pay a CPA to calculate the taxes I pay, and my expectations are that amount is both legal and as little as possible. I presume the majority of Americans pay what the owe, no more, no less.

For all of those lamenting the paltry \$750, my advice is to take up the cause, be a leader and pay more than you legally owe. Somehow I doubt that mantle will be taken.

David Saenz
Fredericksburg

Social cowards

I'm going to make this short.

In this most caustic of political climates, it strikes me that those who make it a habit of intentionally uttering mean-spirited, untrue statements on the social media stage or on print platforms like letters-to-the-editor that they would never say to anyone face-to-face are essentially practicing social cowardice.

None of us was ever taught behavior like this by our mothers, our pastors or in kindergarten. Shame on those who treat each other in such a way. We are better than this.

Terry Collier
Fredericksburg

Poetic judgement

Why would I vote for a party that has venomous hatred displayed?

Why would I vote for a party that has threats to the constitution made?

I'll vote for the one that has helped us gain ground.

I'll vote for the one that made agreements unbound.

I'll vote for the one that daily works on

the load.

I'll vote for the one that leads us to the upper road.

To me the choice is plain.

I'll vote to make America great again.

Charles D. Schmidt
Fredericksburg

Speaking out

Thank you, Ken, for your article in the Sept. 30 issue of your newspaper. You are courageous in speaking out regarding the dismal truth about our president, in a town which still seems mostly to support his appalling behavior.

I would also like to say that I am not surprised that Sandy Moffitt saw Kyle Biedermann walking around H-E-B unshamed without a mask. I believe he is against them so thinks it to be OK to ignore even his own Republican governor's mandate to wear one.

Also, he cannot be bothered to respond to phone call messages to his office. I called him once about a then-forthcoming fire arms issue, asking him to discuss it with me. He never called, presumably because he sensed I would not agree with his views. Is this the kind of representative we need?

Cary Dodds
Fredericksburg

(The author wishes to acknowledge this was written before the president's illness was diagnosed.)

'Lock step'

Regarding Trump's taxes, your conclusion is that Trump is a tax dodger. This is apparently based upon the information that you obtained from *The New York Times* which even you must admit is the primary reason for the “healthy skepticism of journalism outlets.”

Do you contend that Trump or any other wealthy individual has a duty to pay taxes they do not owe? If Trump is a tax

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dodger, would not the IRS be pursuing him criminally? I can only conclude that what you are suggesting is a wealth tax. Bernie and AOC would love it.

Because Trump's businesses owe a large loan which may become due during his second term, he is ripe for exploitation and will defer to Russia. This is so sophomoric.

That he insulted those who serve while he got a doctor's deferment and secretly knew the damage that coronavirus would do but downplayed it. The former statement has been denied and disproven. And early COVID information, primarily from China, changed daily so it would have been impossible to know the extent of possible damage. Furthermore, I have recently read Eric Larson's splendid account of Churchill's first year as PM. Unsurprisingly, Churchill downplayed the potential damage of the war in order to uphold the morale of the country.

Finally, "he has tried to tear down trust in American institutions." Apparently you have not been listening to James Comey's testimony before Congress. Either he is the dumbest person alive or he is a liar. Hillary knew about and financed the Russian hoax. Obama and Biden were also aware of the Russian hoax.

Sadly you have been drinking the far-left Kool-Aid and are in lockstep with the beautiful people and the Austin progressives. You are out of step with the majority of hard-working Americans.

Mark Flora
Fredericksburg

'So far left'

I am amazed at the continuing drivelt spouted by Mr. Cooke, publisher of the *Standard-Radio Post*.

First, Cooke relies on an anonymous source published by *The New York Times* and quotes as fact that the President paid \$750 in income tax in 2016 and 2017 which the White House strenuously denies. Never mind that the president has donated to charity his \$400,000 salary every year of his presidency.

In any event, Cooke would rather rely on anonymous sources quoted by a left-wing newspaper and his own innuendo when he says "the president owes someone more than \$300 million" as if that were a crime. By the way, no one has claimed there is anything illegal in the president's tax returns.

Cooke apparently has no training in business or finance. He isn't even realistic. When you file your tax return, do you take all the deductions you are entitled to take? For example, the standard deduction. Of course, you do and you should. After all, you made the money and should be able to keep as much of it as you can.

I have a master's degree in finance and for most of my career was a finance officer in several electric utilities who had billions in debt and whose credit rating at the same time was AAA. If we did not

do everything under the law to minimize our taxes, we would have been in violation of our fiduciary obligation. Cooke apparently thinks minimizing your taxes is evil. He should remember that the tax laws are not made by the president but by congress.

I guess his vitriol about "Trump's tax dodging" is another illustration of how far the press has veered to the left but I also wouldn't have expected it in Fredericksburg.

William F. Malec
Fredericksburg

Tax laws

Your column evidences willful disdain for our president. Perhaps you need to check the Obama-Biden team for all the "truths" in the oval office, especially as appears to have occurred after Mr. Trump was elected.

In regard to paying taxes, most business people depend on the advice of professional CPAs who are familiar with tax laws. I would think that your business would have taken advantage of those same tax laws with regard to depreciation, writeoffs for equipment, business losses, etc.

I agree it is hard to wrap your head around the dollar figure, but the amount of those writeoffs depends entirely on the size of the business(es). If you have taken advantage of the tax codes, then you are on the same side of the fence as Mr. Trump or any other business taking advantage of legal codes.

There seem to be a good many letters from Fredericksburg residents who support our president. We all have a choice — we all have a vote.

Wayne Zimmerman
Fredericksburg

Congress's code

One's "fair share" of taxes is determined by the tax code written by Congress. There are no tax "dodges" and "loopholes." Got complaints? Contact your Congressman.

A person has responsibility to pay only those taxes required by the tax code. The IRS has the sole legal authority to determine tax code conformance. Automatic audits are performed every year for very high-income earners, not because of suspected filing irregularities.

President Trump uses professional accountants and tax attorneys to deal with the complexities of determining types of income, e.g. earned, business, investment and a multitude of deductions and adjustments, e.g., depreciation, amortization, foreign taxes, property transfers, interest, partnership interests.

He signs his tax return but relies on the expertise of his tax agents to prepare it, discuss with the IRS any questions they may have, and negotiate any resolutions. Quarterly filings are made with payment of proportional estimates of annual taxes

for which President Trump has paid millions.

His final annual tax return shows the net tax due after these tax payments, e.g., \$750. There has been no question of illegal wrongdoing. If the IRS is satisfied with tax filing legitimacy, then everybody else should be.

If released, Democrats would raise unfounded questions about summary details and continue to use this and the other maliciously derogatory hyperbole on his character as a political issue in order to divert attention from President Trump's successful leadership and policies. Joe Biden admitted this in the televised debate when he refused to answer questions about Supreme Court packing and Senatorial filibuster rules. He said he did not want to be the issue — Donald Trump is the issue. The questionable character of Joe Biden and the historically failed big government, socialist policies of the Democratic Party are the real issues that need transparency.

William C. Bartusek
Tierra Linda Ranch

Davis-Roy race

Former state senator Wendy Davis is attempting to unseat Chip Roy as U.S. Representative. Davis received nationwide prominence in 2013 when she launched an 11-hour filibuster against restrictions on late-term abortions.

The bill included a "ban on abortion at 20 weeks post-fertilization and recognize(d) that the state has a compelling interest to protect fetuses from pain" (Wikipedia). Let's consider some of the beautiful facts about a 20-week, post-fertilization baby. This boy or girl has had a beating heart for at least 13 weeks, facial features taking shape for at least 12 weeks, as well as developing brain and intestines. The baby has fingernails and toenails and has been bending his/her limbs for at least 8 weeks and has had his/her own fingerprints for at least 5 weeks.

The baby can hear your voice and there is considerable evidence that the baby is capable of feeling pain.

Despite the fact that Davis doesn't seem to be loudly promoting abortion as she runs for U.S. Congress in the Hill Country, huge donations are arriving from the giant national abortion groups. She presents herself as a family-centered grandmother while she and her surrogates pay for deceitful ads against her opponent.

Representative Chip Roy is for protection of pre-born life, of our southern borders, of Texas neighborhoods, of national security through reduction of the national debt and so much more.

Meanwhile, Wendy Davis's campaign is receiving millions of out-of-state dollars from numerous liberal elites such as the Soros family, Nancy Pelosi, Joe Biden, and Elizabeth Warren. Don't be fooled.

Mary Studor
Fredericksburg

OBITUARIES

Perdue

June Dolores Perdue, 56, of Fredericksburg, died Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2020. Private memorial services are planned at a later date. Arrangements and cremation were under the direction of Schaetter Funeral Home.

Ms. Perdue was born Oct. 19, 1963, in Abilene, the daughter of James Emil Perdue and June Ard Perdue. Survivors include one daughter, Samantha Bailey of Fredericksburg; one grandchild, and one sister, Carmen Langer of Fredericksburg.



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Carol Adeline Stapleton
November 4, 1949 - September 22, 2020



Carol Adeline Stapleton of Fredericksburg passed away on Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2020, in the Fredericksburg Nursing and Rehab Center, at the age of 70 years.

Carol was born Nov. 4, 1949 in Kerrville, Texas to William Zeno and Margaret Langehennig Stapleton.

Carol is survived by her sons and their spouses: Garrett and Renea Grobe of Fredericksburg, and Brent and Trisha Grobe of Fredericksburg.

Survivors also include eight grandchildren and their spouses: Desiree and Osvaldo Gaitan, Jessica and Ricky McClain, Ashley Grobe, Chelsea Grobe and Alfredo Dugue, Corbin Grobe, Jordan and Kaleb Wunderlich, Baleigh Grobe, and Bentley Grobe; and six great-grandchildren: Lilliana Gaitan, Gabriella Gaitan, Ellie Mae McClain, Audrey Fontenot, Aubree Dugue, and Jace Wunderlich.

She is also survived by the following siblings: Troy and Tyrone Peck, both of Mason; Todd Preston of Dallas, Nina Stapleton of Reno, Nevada.

Along with her parents, Carol was preceded in death by a brother, Douglas Stapleton.

Graveside services and interment were held on Tuesday, Sept. 29, at 10 a.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery with Deacon Pat Klein officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to Gillespie County Mental Health, or to the charity of one's choice.

Arrangements by Schaetter Funeral Home. Expressions of sympathy may be sent at www.schaetter.com.

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Vera Alma Buck

December 18, 1916 - September 25, 2020

Vera Alma Buck, of San Antonio and formerly of Fredericksburg, passed away on Friday, Sept. 25, 2020, at the age of 103 years.

Vera Alma Eckhardt was born on Dec. 18, 1916, in Fredericksburg, Gillespie County, Texas to Benno F. and Alma Ransleben Eckhardt.

Vera is survived by her daughter, Joe Ann Lenn of San Antonio; and four grandchildren: Christopher Lancaster, John Lancaster, Larry Walliser and Terry Walliser.

Survivors also include two great-grandchildren, Chris M. Lancaster II and Sara Rhiannon Lancaster; and one great-great-grandchild, Beau Dugan Lancaster.

Vera is preceded in death by her parents; first husband, Deforest Arthur Roberts; second husband, William Miles "Bill" Buck; two daughters, Betty Joe Roberts and Nell Elaine "Roberts" Walliser Bishop; and sister, Lula Louise Eckhardt Prochnow.

Graveside services and interment were held on Wednesday, Sept. 30, at 2 p.m., at Der Stadt Friedhof, with the Rev. William Karlson officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be given in her memory to the charity of your choice.

Arrangements under the direction of Schaetter Funeral Home. Expressions of sympathy may be sent at www.schaetter.com.

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50 YEARS AGO in the Standard

OCTOBER 7, 1970

Joe H. Derrick Sr. of Stephenville received the first Lady Bird Johnson Highway Beautification Award during a program held Friday afternoon at the amphitheater at the Lyndon B. Johnson State Park in Stonewall.

Absentee voting ahead of the November general election opens Wednesday. In addition to state, district and local races, the Nov. 3 ballot will include seven proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution.

"Fun Time — USA" is the theme for this year's carnival sponsored by the Fredericksburg Elementary-Junior High PTA set for Tuesday evening at the public school campus.

A variety show will be presented by the students. Mexican plates will be served in the lunchroom, while hamburgers,

French fries, homemade cakes, pies and candy will be available on the grounds.

Several hundred people were guests of the Gillespie County Fruit Growers Association on Sunday evening at their annual appreciation barbecue. Officers of the association hailed the past summer as one of the best in history, with a total of 52,000 bushels being processed at the packing shed.

Buyers of livestock at January's Gillespie County 4-H and FFA Livestock Show were honored last Tuesday evening at a barbecue hosted by the Gillespie County Youth Livestock Show Association. Top buyers were recognized, including Knopp and Metzger, largest in-county buyer, and Walter Parker Jr., who lives at Harper but ranches in Kimble County, as the largest out-of-county buyer.

The annual Gillespie County Farm Bureau Convention will be held Thursday

evening at the American Legion Hall.

Terry McWilliams returned from an 11-month tour of duty in Vietnam. His family met him at the Los Angeles airport.

Two boys and two girls were born in local hospitals during the past week.

Boys were born to Mr. and Mrs. Samas Reyne, Abilene, Sept. 29, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolf of Blanco, Oct. 4. Girls were born to Mr. and Mrs. Armin Engel Jr., Oct. 1, and Mr. and Mrs. Alfredo Colunga, Oct. 2.

The Fredericksburg High School Battlin' Billies football team felt the sting of the Llano Yellowjackets on Friday evening at they were defeated, 21-14.

The St. Mary's Indians romped over the Johnson City Eagles, 36-6, Saturday evening in Johnson City.

The Harper Longhorns lost 36-22 to the LaPryor Bulldogs on Friday night.



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Pumpkins are more than just jack-o-lanterns

AgriLife Extension offers ideas, advice for DIY fall season decor, recipes

Pumpkins are a big part of fall decorations and diet, so here are some ideas to help utilize them during the season, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service expert.

Odessa Keenan, AgriLife Extension wellness initiatives coordinator for the Healthy Texas Program, Dallas, said pumpkins are a fall staple that can be utilized in décor and seasonal recipes. She offers some tips and suggestions for best using them for Halloween decorations and fall recipes.

Pumpkins can be used in seasonal recipes or as fall décor options in so many ways, whether a jack-o-lantern, front porch decoration, fall table-scape arrangements, decoration around the fireplace or as props for family photos, Keenan said.

"There are many ways to maximize the usefulness of pumpkins," she said. "They're a big part of fall décor, including Halloween. They're also a big part of many seasonal and holiday recipes. I try to find as many uses for them as I can."

Pumpkin recipe ideas

Keenan said once the seeds and pulp are removed for use in food or drinks, they should be immediately refrigerated or prepared to avoid potential food safety issues.

"Once you carve a pumpkin and leave the pulp out for more than a couple of hours, you can assume it's not good to eat," she said.

Pumpkins can be used to make a host of seasonal treats and beverages, Keenan said.

Pumpkin puree is an easy way to utilize the pulp inside, she said. Puree can be used to make sweet treats like pies, parfaits and cookies or savory snacks like hummus.

AgriLife Extension has a number of pumpkin recipes available through its Dinner Tonight program.

The puree should be stored in the refrigerator and will likely last around four days before spoiling, she said.

"How long it lasts in storage will depend on how fresh it was from the vine when you purchased it, its condition since and any potential for bacteria to exponentiate," she said. "Canning the puree correctly can extend its shelf life up to four months."

Keenan said pumpkin seeds can be a simple and healthy seasonal treat.

"Baking pumpkin seeds is



Pumpkins are a seasonal staple each fall. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension offers suggestions for getting the most out of pumpkins. — Texas A&M AgriLife photo

yet another way to utilize the pumpkin," she said. "You can experiment with different spice blends — savory, spicy and sweet — to find your family's favorite, just be sure to watch for too much added sodium or added sugars."

Prepping the pumpkin to cook or carve

Keenan does not recommend any chemical washes to prepare pumpkins for carving and pulp removal.

Most pumpkins in retail settings are relatively clean for presentation, but some cleaning may be necessary when applying paint or other flare.

"Just make sure it's cleaned under cool running water before cutting it," she said. "It's got a tough rind, so you could use a vegetable brush to clean the outside before you use it, if it's excessively dirty."

If planning to use the pulp for cooking, make sure hands, the carving area and tools are properly sanitized, she said.

Pumpkin carving safety

Carving jack-o-lanterns is a

Halloween tradition, but safety should be a priority during carving and when using the seeds and pulp for seasonal treats, Keenan said.

"It's surprising how many knife injuries there are from carving pumpkins each year because it seems obvious," she said. "But knife safety and being conscious and cautious about how you carve is important because you can get caught up in the activity, and the next thing you know you've got a cut on your finger, hand or worse."

Keenan said painting could be a better option for small children. Pumpkin carving kits can also provide less dangerous tools for the job.

When carving, always take time and make controlled cuts, she said. Turn the pumpkin to cut away from the body and off-hand, and always be conscientious of where the off-hand is in relation to the blade.

"When pumpkin carving is a family activity, your mind can wander away from things like safety," she said. "The pumpkin can be slippery. Sometimes the

rind is difficult to cut through in some spots and surprisingly easy in others, and all these factors can lead to an injury."

Extending a pumpkin's life

Pumpkins last a fairly long time off the vine, she said. Their post-harvest life depends on where they were obtained, how long they've been sitting and how they are displayed.

Using them outside in the weather or staging them with other organic matter like hay can speed up decomposition.

"The more items sitting together, being outside in elements, harboring moisture at the base or resting between two items is going to contribute to decomposition," she said. "A well-drained area will prolong the life of the pumpkin, whether it's carved or whole."

Keenan said she's seen pumpkins used to hold flower arrangements, but suggests

carving out just enough of the pumpkin to hold a vase. Arrange and water the flowers inside the vase to reduce the moisture levels inside the pumpkin and try to keep some space between the pumpkin and the arrangement.

Because pumpkins can have an extended post-harvest life, uncarved pumpkins used for Halloween décor could be used for fall cooking recipes going into the holidays, she said.

"If you buy a whole pumpkin and let it sit for weeks and it doesn't show any signs of decay, you are probably fine to use the pumpkin meat," she said. "Check for mushy or rotting areas, any sign of decomposition inside the pumpkin or a bad smell. Just check for anything that suggests decay."

Composting pumpkin remains

However, when the pumpkin does ultimately decay, then adding pumpkins to compost piles is a good way to use the leftover organic matter, said Joe Masabni, Ph.D., AgriLife

Extension, horticulturist, Dallas.

It's best to either blend them up or let them dry and break the rinds up into as small of pieces as possible, he said.

"The smaller the pieces, the better, so it will break down and compost quicker," he said. "Composting seeds and all can be fine, but you need to break them up as well, otherwise some may germinate in your compost pile."

Saving seeds to plant

When done with the pumpkin this season, seeds can be saved to plant next year by laying them out flat to air dry on paper towels, Masabni said.

They should be dried enough within 24 hours and then can be placed in a plastic bag and stored in the refrigerator or a cool, dry place. Mark the bag with the pumpkin variety and date.

"If they're stored correctly, they can last at least five years," he said. "Don't heat dry them in an oven or in the sun because it's like roasting them and could cause damage."

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS HARPER ISD State Financial Accountability Rating

Harper ISD will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., October 21, 2020 in the High School Cafeteria Harper, Texas

The purpose of this hearing is to discuss Harper ISD rating on the state's financial accountability system.

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Landowner laws, responsibilities focus of series

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will hold a weekly webinar series, Landowner Laws and Responsibilities, from Oct. 23 to Nov. 13.

The free series will be held on the Zoom meeting platform from 1-3 p.m. Fridays.

Pre-registering with one of the AgriLife Extension county agents hosting the event is required to receive the Zoom link.

Individuals may RSVP to Heath Lusty, Lampasas County, 512-556-8271; Kelly Tarla, Burnet County, 512-756-5463, or Tom Guthrie, Mills County, 325-648-2650.

"Workshops on law-related topics are always popular with our producers," said Tarla. "We've got a group of speakers who will address many legal concerns and questions that landowners frequently have."

Dates, topics and speakers:

- Oct. 23 — Water Law by James Bradbury, adjunct professor at Texas A&M School of Law and attorney at James D. Bradbury, PLLC, Fort Worth.
- Oct. 30 — Landowner Resources with Lusty, Guthrie and Tarla.
- Nov. 6 — Eminent Domain by Luke Ellis, Texas eminent domain and condemnation trial attorney and partner at Marrs, Ellis and Hodge, LLP, Austin.
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Hill Country Naturalist

Jim Stanley

Books about life in early Texas

I first started reading the writings of early Texans in order to get a better understanding of what Texas looked like in the 1800s and early 1900s. The more I read, the more fascinated I am at the lives of early explorers and settlers — how they lived, the hardships they endured, and in some cases, how they died.

The notion of the “Good Old Days,” at least to my 20th and 21st century eyes, certainly does not apply to life in early Texas. Obtaining food and shelter and just attending to the duties of everyday life was more like what we would now call a full-time job.

Travel was obviously on a very different time scale, was infinitely more arduous and sometimes impossible for months at a time. Interactions with Native Americans ran the gambit from settlers being slaughtered to Native Americans also being slaughtered, to distrust and hatred, to coexistence.

We have to remember that in the mid to late 1800s, most of Europe

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Apply preemergence to avoid spring weeds

Fight stickers, weeds with fall, winter lawn management

As soil temperatures cool, now is the time to plan for preemergence herbicide applications to eradicate common cool-season weeds like annual bluegrass and lawn burweed, a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service expert said.

Chrissie Segars, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension turfgrass specialist, Dallas, said homeowners looking to improve the look and feel of their lawns by preventing annual weeds and burs should prepare to apply fall preemergence herbicides. Preemergence herbicides are designed to disrupt the germination and emergence of unfavorable plants.

Other fall and winter management practices like proper irrigation will also ensure turfgrass emerges healthy in the spring.

“Fall weed management is an important part of annual turfgrass maintenance,” she said. “It rids lawns of undesirable plants that compete with our turfgrass and helps your lawn get a good start in the spring.”

Ridding lawns of weeds

Preemergence herbicide treatments in the fall can help rid a lawn of grassy weeds like annual bluegrass and rescuegrass, and broadleaf weeds like henbit, chickweed, Carolina geranium and lawn burweed.

Choosing the right herbicide can seem daunting, but AgriLife Extension has a number of publications dedicated to identifying weeds and herbicide selection.

Segars said preemergence active ingredients are an important consideration for tackling unwanted weeds. Products will typically list a range of plants it will control whether perennial or annual and broadleaf plants or grasses.

Preemergence herbicides are most effective on annual weeds, while other weeds must be controlled with post-emergence applications.

“Having knowledge of seasonal, chronic weed problems will help you narrow down product choices,” she said. “Choosing the right active ingre-



Applying preemergence herbicides can reduce broadleaf and grass weeds in spring. — Texas A&M AgriLife Extension photo by Adam Russell

redient for your problem weeds and applying it correctly are very important to weed management.”

Segars said homeowners who are not comfortable handling or applying chemical products should contact local landscape professionals. Individuals should always follow product labels and distance applications from desirable plants to avoid injuring them.

Applications

Segars said AgriLife Extension recommends the fall preemergence herbicide regimen to begin when soil temperatures reach approximately 70 degrees. This recommendation is commonly based on annual bluegrass — a weed that germinates when soil temperatures are below 70 degrees. This generally falls in September or October, depending on where one is in Texas.

“Don’t get into the habit of relying on the same calendar date every year; that’s why we have soil temperature recommendations,” she said. “Environmental conditions can be drastically different from year to year. Some weeds will germinate later in the season but applying products in a timely manner builds up a preemergence

program that stays ahead of weeds.”

Segars said soil temperature probes, even probe-type meat thermometers, can help homeowners gauge application timing.

Identifying which weeds to control is important for choosing the correct herbicide option, such as broadleaves and grasses or perennial and annual weeds, she said. Segars recommends granular herbicides for homeowners due to ease of application.

“For best results, we generally recommend at least one application of a preemergence herbicide in the spring and fall,” she said. “These two applications, if done properly, can greatly reduce the number of annual weeds in your yard.”

Segars said some homeowners may desire to make a second or split application of preemergence, and it’s a good idea to have both a pre- and post-emergence herbicide on hand for the second application.

“Herbicides aren’t 100% effective every time, especially if you have heavy rains following application or missed the desirable timing,” she said. “Having a mixture of a pre- and post-emergence product just ensures you catch any weeds that break through your original application while they

are immature.”

Watering in the preemergence herbicide immediately after application using some type of sprinkler system is recommended. Typically, granular preemergence products need one-quarter to one-half inch of water to dissolve properly, but always follow product label instructions, she advised.

Say no to ‘weed and feed’

Weed and feeds are a common and popular product, but Segars does not recommend using them as a fall/winter turfgrass management tool.

“We’re entering a time when warm-season grasses are slowing down in a lot of the state, and we don’t want to fertilize them too late, especially with nitrogen,” she said. “Putting nitrogen down promotes growth, and a quick freeze could cause damage.”

Segars said the last nitrogen application should be no later than four to six weeks before the average date of the first frost.

Watering

Turfgrass needs adequate soil moisture going into winter, but as temperatures fall, Segars said homeowners should dial back on irrigation. AgriLife Extension’s Water-Wise Checklist provides good year-round recommendations that will maximize irrigation efficiency and effectiveness.

Approximately 1 inch of water per week is AgriLife Extension’s summer turfgrass irrigation recommendation for actively growing grass. But as fall nears, Segars said rains should be enough, and that allowing grasses to visibly wilt before supplemental water applications is a good rule of thumb.

“If we are receiving typical fall rains, you can turn the system off or just water as needed until the grass goes dormant,” she said. “You don’t want to overwater, but you also want to have some moisture in the soil, especially in areas that experience hard freezes. Having some moisture in the ground will help protect them from winterkill and sustain them through winter.”

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by Emaly L. Baehr, 2020 President



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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

To the Registered Voters of the County of Gillespie, Texas:
(A los votantes del Condado de Gillespie, Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm, on November 3, 2020, for the voting in a general election to elect Three (3) Harper ISD Board of Trustees.
(Notifíquese por la presente, que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abren desde las 7:00 am hasta las 7:00 pm el 3 de noviembre de 2020 para votar en la Elección General para elegir tres (3) Harper ISD la junta de gobierno.)

On Election Day, voters must vote in their precinct where they registered to vote.
(El día de las elecciones, los votantes deben votar en el recinto donde se registraron para votar.)

Election Day Polling Places <i>(Lugar de Votación del Día de Elección)</i>	
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For Early Voting, a voter must vote at the location listed below:
(Para Votación Adelantada, los votantes podrán votar en cualquiera de las ubicaciones nombradas abajo.)

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How to purchase good coffee, brew the perfect cup

Coffee drinkers want to brew the perfect cup of coffee, but many aren't even getting a "good" cup of coffee, or even average, or maybe not even subpar.

Rodrigo Chavez, Texas A&M AgriLife Center for Coffee Research and Education coffee training and program director, Bryan-College Station, has some useful tips on how to brew a truly good cup of coffee and what purchasing good coffee really means for consumers and the farmers who grow the beans.

Pick the best coffee beans: specialty coffee

The best quality beans consumers can get are labeled as "specialty coffee and 100% Arabica beans."

There are four characteristics of coffee: taste, smell, acidity and body.

When purchasing beans, it's best to go for a specialty single-origin coffee where the label includes information such as the altitude at which the beans are grown, the process for which the beans are prepared, such as natural, honey or washed, the country and region the beans were grown, and of course, the variety of coffee bean.

The beans should not be dark and oily — they should be brown and look almost dry to the touch.

Specialty coffee has been graded and sorted before it is roasted, with few to no defects such as fungus, insect damage or malformation.

"Once roasted — medium roast provides better aroma and flavor — coffee should be cupped, or tasted, and, according to its characteristics

evaluated and given a cupping score," Chavez said.

If it makes 80 points or more, it becomes specialty coffee. Anything under 80 points is considered commercial coffee. Premium coffee does not have a quality scoring system, it's more of a perception than an assurance of quality.

"If you drink more specialty coffee, you can actually help farmers by increasing the demand for good quality coffees, that the farmer will need to provide and, in return, obtain a better price for their crop. This will also force the coffee industry chain to change toward the better," Chavez said.

How to grind beans

The first characteristic lost when grinding beans is the smell.

For those who aren't grinding their own beans, Chavez recommends starting. "It's the best way to ensure you're getting the most out of your beans."

He also recommends adjusting the size of the grind to fit the method of brew:

- Large or coarse, like sea salt, grounds for French press.
- Medium coarse grounds, like sand, for machine brewing and pour-overs.
- Fine or extra-fine, like table salt or flour, grounds for espresso and Turkish coffee.

Best methods of brewing coffee

"To get the truly best coffee, pour-over is the way to go," Chavez says.

Most households have a heating plate underneath their coffee machine, which is one of the worst things to do for coffee.



The Norman Borlaug Institute and the Center for Coffee Research and Education has a project in Central America working with farmers to improve their business plans. — Photo courtesy of Rodrigo Chavez

Once the coffee is done, do not continue to apply heat to it. With extra heat, the coffee will burn and become very acidic within minutes.

So, brewing then pouring it into a Thermos once the coffee is done is best to keep coffee warm, rather than leaving it on a hot plate to continue heating.

Pour-over methods remove this possibility, making sure coffee drinkers get the best cup possible. Chavez said it's worth the wait.

Good water is key

"Since water makes up 98.7% of a cup of coffee, good water is essential," Chavez said. "So, if you use tap water that has chlorine, it takes away a lot of your coffee flavor and is simi-

lar to adding a flavor agent."

To obtain the best results, use filtered water or bottled water and avoid using reverse osmosis.

Water for pour-over methods should be about 200 degrees for the best brew.

It's a recipe

There is a coffee-to-water ratio to follow, just like any other cooking recipe, he explained. It all starts with the roast.

The coffee is at peak flavor after a medium roast.

Usually, it takes 15-17 units of water to one unit of coffee to reach peak extraction and release all the good flavors.

Add more water and it becomes too watery, and if there is not enough, it becomes too strong.

If the grind is too fine, all the coffee spills from the machine and flavor becomes too strong and acidic.

If it is too coarse, not enough flavors are extracted and coffee becomes watery again.

Help a farmer, help a family

Coffee producing countries are some of the poorest countries around the world. They tend to have the highest degrees of poverty, but also nutrition is low and crime rates are high.

The coffee belt is also known as the poverty belt of the world, Chavez explained.

Due to overproduction of commercial coffee, producers are facing record low prices. A common practice among small coffee farmers is to harvest their own coffee first and then look for employment on larger coffee plantations to supplement their income.

But due to low coffee prices, many larger farms are not harvesting all their coffee, limiting supplemental income to small farmers and may even increase the need to go out of their countries for other work opportunities.

The Norman Borlaug Institute and the Center for Coffee Research and Education has a project in Central America working with farmers to improve their business plans and is dealing with one of the biggest problems that coffee has: coffee leaf rust.

"It is a fungus that has evolved and is immune to almost all fungicides," Chavez said.

The project goals include the introduction of the new varieties of coffee or hybrids,

opening new markets and employment opportunities, strengthening research capacities, offering training and implementing smart agricultural practices, among others.

It is a process in order to become a beneficial variety, but one well worth it to farmers.

"The plant needs to be grafted throughout seven or eight different cycles before it actually becomes a rust-resistant hybrid," Chavez said. "So, the coffee plant not only can tolerate more rust, but it can also produce more coffee."

This hybrid is a premature plant and starts producing a year earlier than other coffee varieties, so farmers are getting a return on investment a year in advance of most coffee plants.

When harvesting coffee trees, the product is transported to the mill in coffee bags that normally weigh 80-100 pounds. But with this hybrid, farmers report the same bags now weigh 120 pounds or more.

Since coffee is paid by weight, this converts to additional income.

"We are also teaching them how to do a microbusiness, how to roast and sell the coffee and do all the things to the coffee to add value to their plantations," he said. "Many farmers have introduced lemongrass to their plantations and are now planting lemongrass that grows between the coffee trees. It is harvested and sold to make tea."

By making an educated purchase, buyers might just be keeping a family together and another small business afloat.

Help a farmer, help yourself, buy good coffee," Chavez said.

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and the eastern part of the U.S. had cities and societies advanced to the point where there were roads, bridges, railroads, public buildings, churches, universities, commerce and early manufacturing facilities. Most of Texas had none of that. So people were on their own to provide all the necessities of life.

Despite the conditions that existed in Texas then, and the fact that just getting by took most of their time, early Texans were just as intelligent, resourceful, dedicated, brave and adventuresome as any of us, maybe more so.

To learn more about the daily lives of early Texans, I recommend any of the following books:

"A Journey through Texas," by Frederick Law Olmsted. If the author's name sounds familiar, it should, he went on to design Central Park in New York City and to be considered America's foremost landscape architect. He traveled thorough Texas on horseback in 1856 and 1857, from the Sabine to Nacogdoches to San Antonio, to the Mexican border and back to Houston and finally New Orleans.

"Early Times in Texas," by

John C. Duval. He tells a tale of his experience as a young man from Virginia who comes to Texas to help her fight for independence in 1835. By great luck, he was one of the very few who survived the massacre at Goliad, only to be left in the woods without a gun or a horse, surrounded by Mexican soldiers. Traveling on foot, hiding from both Mexican soldiers and Native Americans, scrounging for food wherever he could, he eventually was discovered by a couple of Texas soldiers near Houston just after the Battle of San Jacinto.

For a fascinating descrip-

tion of travels around the Hill Country, especially in the areas of New Braunfels, San Antonio and Fredericksburg from 1845 to 1847, read "Roemer's Texas" (alternate title, "Texas with particular Reference to German Immigration and the Appearance of the Country") by Ferdinand Roemer, translated from the German by Oswald Mueller.

"Texas Roots: Agriculture and Rural Life Before the Civil War," by C. Allen Jones. Detailed accounts of life, mainly in South and East Texas, from the earliest Spanish missions to Mexican rule,

to Texas Independence, to Statehood.

"Beneath the Window," by Patricia Wilson Clothier. The author tells the story of growing up in what would become Big Bend National Park in the 1930s and 1940s, before the area became a park. The "window" referred to in the title is the Pouroff from the Chisos Basin on the West side of the Chisos Mountains, "A Life Among the Texas Flora."

Ferdinand Lindheimer's "Letters to George Engelmann," by Minetta Altgelt Goyne. Lindheimer, a self-taught botanist who became referred to as the Father of Texas Botany collected samples of Texas plants in the 1840s, pressed them and sent them to Engelmann who was the head of the Missouri Botanical Garden. His collection was initially in the areas of Houston and Galveston, but he later moved to New Braunfels where he collected plants from central Texas and

where his home still stands as a museum.

"Interwoven. A Pioneer Chronicle," by Sallie Reynolds Matthews. This is a detailed journal of the life of the author who was born in 1861 and lived on various ranches in Throckmorton, Haskell and Shackelford counties. The author describes in detail conflicts with the Native Americans, massive buffalo herds, and details about the day-to-day existence on the edge of what was then considered "civilization."

The more I read about the early Texans' lives and what they knew about their surroundings, the less knowledgeable I feel I am.

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Long live Dick Johnson

Blended documentary 'Dick Johnson is Dead' showcases touching relationship between father, daughter

How do we confront the inevitability of death? Without fail, everyone will ultimately succumb to their mortality, but when it's staring you in the face, what is the best way of processing it?

Cinematic Considerations

BY MATT WARD



Continue the conversation online at www.cinematicconsiderations.com

More so, is there a way to best handle the looming death of a loved one? Documentarian Kirsten Johnson tackles these questions head on in a strange, yet beautiful and uncompromising new film, "Dick Johnson is Dead," which premiered on Netflix last weekend.

The feature is a wild variation from her normal work observing subjects from afar, blending intimate personal footage with fantastical hyper-reality to occasionally leave audiences questioning where the line between fiction and documentary really lies.

Filmed over the course of several years, "Dick Johnson is Dead" serves as a memoir to Johnson's family as well as a portrait of a love between a daughter and her father, a recently retired Seattle psychiatrist who is moved to a small New York City apartment after being diagnosed with dementia.

Audiences are treated to this warm-hearted, jolly man in his best days and in his worst, allowing the viewer to feel the full emotional impact Kirsten feels as Dick's memories slowly fade away from him.

Though there's a plethora

of figures in the 90-minute feature, there's only one true character, Dick Johnson himself. Viewers watch him experience a cognitive recognition of his dementia that fades in and out and the simple joy that he personifies in his unvarnished smile radiates through the screen with a blinding glow.

It's in his relationship with his daughter Kirsten that the documentary truly comes alive.

The rapport that filmmaker and subject have are intertwined with genuine warmth that only comes from a paternal bond. Dick is only involved with the film project because of his daughter, and his enthusiastic participation throughout showcases the tender, emotional love they have for one another.

Kirsten herself becomes a character in the film in a much different way than filmmakers traditionally create for themselves. So often directors hide themselves inside their films through the eye of the camera

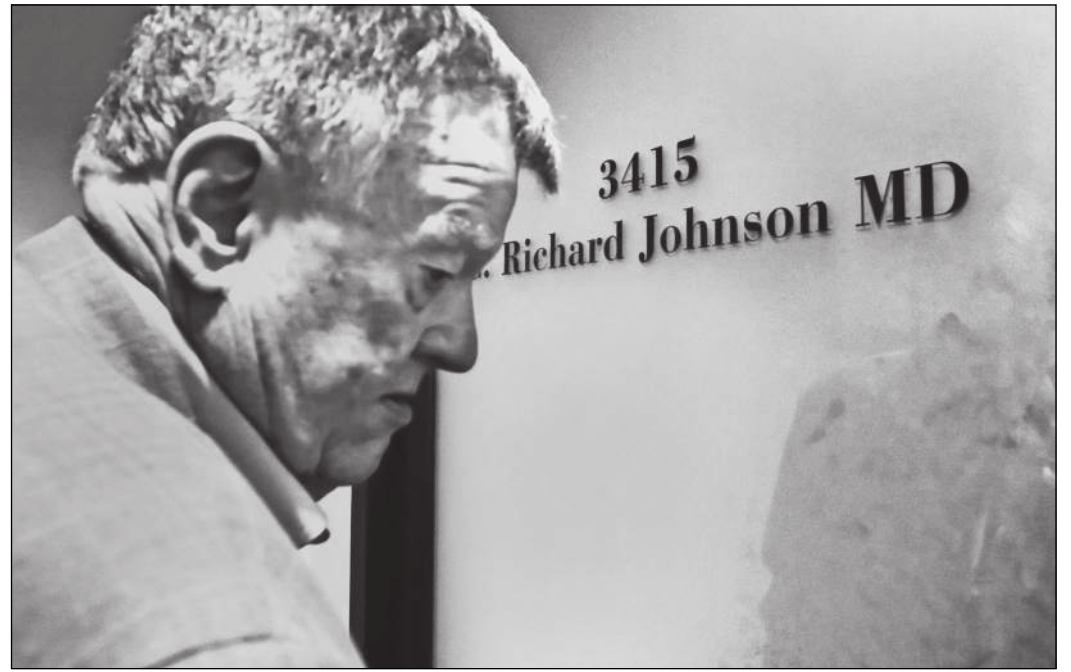
lens — and Johnson does this to tremendous effect during showy, artistic moments — but it's in her on-screen relationship with Dick that helps provide context.

The cinematographer-turned-director-turned-subject places herself along the side of the frame, always keeping the focus on Dick, as if everything in the world revolves around her father. It's a caring reverence that helps endear the audience further to this genuine, affable gentleman.

Constant throughout the film is this meta-textual subplot where the Johnsons stage and film various death scenes for Dick, often with the help of stuntmen being hit by a car or falling down a flight of stairs. The director Johnson brings audiences behind the scenes as these sequences are staged — often in the middle of showing them happen — in order to keep up with an ever bending, twisting timeline.

One of Dick's friends is overwhelmed by the strangeness that filming this feature creates, lamenting at one point that he has to "keep reminding myself that this is a movie."

Somewhere along the way, "Dick Johnson is Dead" becomes a commentary on the filmmaking process, inserting the filmmaker herself into the storyline to describe how and why certain events are being included and further compli-



Psychiatrist Richard Johnson's battle with dementia takes center stage in his daughter Kirsten's latest film, "Dick Johnson is Dead," a celebration of the man and an engaging look at human mortality now streaming on Netflix.

cates in a richly unique way the strange marriage this film makes between fiction and documentary.

Sadly, 2020 is the perfect year for a documentary with this subject matter to arrive as the COVID-19 pandemic puts the frailty of the older population into the spotlight. While "Dick Johnson is Dead" would normally be on the shortlist for Oscar contention, the unusual circumstances surrounding this year's selection process will likely guarantee Johnson's first Academy Award nomi-

nation as a director after shooting Laura Poitras's 2014 Oscar-winning documentary "Citizenfour" about NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden.

In a larger sense, "Dick Johnson is Dead" preserves the filmmaker's father for immortality on the screen as Dick's essence shines brightly even as the light in his eyes begins to fade.

The subject matter may be heavy, but it's treated with a light humor and shown with such care that what might feel morbid actually becomes cel-

ebratory, a rare feat for such heavy material.

A major contender for the year's best documentary film, "Dick Johnson is Dead" deserves a wide audience prepared for its unusual premise and subject matter and Netflix serves as an ideal way for cinephiles to stream this wonderfully quirky film as soon as possible.

Matt Ward is a programmer for the Hill Country Film Festival and local film critic, who is also an official Rotten Tomatoes reviewer.

Kerrville Folk Festival to host 2020 virtual event

Kerrville Folk Festival will host its first KFF 2020 October Virtual Celebration Oct. 10-11 and Oct. 17-18.

This virtual event is the result of rescheduling the 49th Kerrville Folk Festival, traditionally held in May and June, according to Mary Muse, executive director of the Kerrville Folk Festival Foundation.

"This has been a challenging year due to COVID, but I am deeply grateful for how our festival community has responded," Muse said. "Seventy-five percent of the advance purchases were converted to memberships and donations, and many of the artists have offered to donate their performances. Offering this virtual festival is our way of showing appreciation to everyone who is part of our festival family, while introducing us to new fans."

A legacy event is the Grassy Hill Kerrville New Folk Songwriting Competition, accompanied with special evening concerts each night.

The Songwriting

Competition features 24 finalists selected from more than 700 entries.

Twelve finalists perform at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, with the other 12 finalists performing at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11.

The six chosen as New Folk Winners perform 20-minute sets beginning at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17.

Evening concerts begin at 7 p.m. on all four nights of the festival.

Those concerts will feature five acts making premier appearances.

The Black Pumas

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Kila

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Texicana Mamas

Texicana Mamas are three Latina singer-songwriters — Tish Hinojosa, Stephanie Urbina Jones and Patricia Vonne — who all grew up around San Antonio and carved out distinguished solo careers.

Their musical influences include folk, conjunto, Americana, flamenco, country and Tex-Mex rock and roll.

Kyshona

Kyshona started her career as a music therapist.

Her first album "Listen" blends roots, rock, R&B, and folk.

Possessed by Paul James

Performed by Konrad Wert,

"Possessed" by Paul James has been proclaimed "a one-man folk wonder."

He has recorded six albums and been featured on National Public Radio, CMT and MTV.

He is a Kerr County resident where he teaches special education for the Kerrville Independent School District.

All performances can be viewed online, free of charge, at the following links:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/kerrvillefolkfestival

YouTube: Kerrville Folk Festival Foundation Channel

Website: kerrvillefolkfestival.org

The Kerrville Folk Festival is the longest continuously running music festival in North America.

The original 18-day festival is held every spring at Quiet Valley Ranch at Kerrville.

More information is available online at www.kerrvillefolkfestival.org; by calling 830-257-3600, or via email at info@kerrville-music.com.

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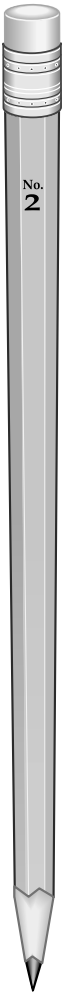
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Super Crossword Puzzle (answers on page 14)

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Snagged gold, silver or bronze
 - 8 One phoning
 - 14 Away from the shore
 - 20 Typically
 - 21 Get dressed
 - 22 "Gangsta's Paradise"
 - 23 Nation south of Chad
 - 26 Money unit of Japan
 - 27 — Grande
 - 28 Jekyll's other side
 - 29 Gotten on one's feet
 - 30 Health facility
 - 33 Showiness
 - 35 Many people born in August
 - 37 Popular hangover remedy
 - 47 Hullabaloo
 - 48 Noel hanging
 - 49 Bylaw, for short
 - 50 Revered Fr. woman
 - 51 Bro's sib
 - 54 Part of a roof
 - 55 Slop over
 - 57 Like short tykes
 - 63 Stylist's stuff
 - 64 Blue Ribbon brewer
 - 65 Prefix with compliance
 - 66 Almost certainly, in legal cases
 - 77 — tai
 - 78 1985 Kate Nelligan film
 - 79 Past rapper
 - 80 1973 #1 hit for Gladys Knight & the Pips
 - 90 PC letters
 - 91 17th state
 - 92 Pince- (gripping glasses)
 - 93 City in south Germany
 - 94 Zippo
 - 95 Shower units
 - 97 Like Mali's desert
 - 101 School with the Bearcats
 - 107 Pal of Garfield
 - 108 Neck-to-waist area
 - 109 Sigh of relief
 - 110 Ravioli, e.g.
 - 113 Bellicose Greek god
 - 117 Regular grind
 - 118 Undecided, on a sched.
 - 121 Pilot's guess
 - 128 Used a razor
 - 129 Blue-purple
 - 130 Truckers' medium
 - 131 Nobelist "Mother"
 - 132 Some waste conduits
 - 133 Apt word formed by this puzzle's missing letters
- DOWN**
- 1 Bro
 - 2 Suffix with Peking
 - 3 Ex-veep Quayle
 - 4 Too-too
 - 5 Draw in
 - 6 Personal flair
 - 7 Pop singer Lana — Rey
 - 8 Make corrupt
 - 9 Sudden raid
 - 10 Mogul Onassis
 - 11 Scotland's Ness, e.g.
 - 12 PayPal's parent, once
 - 13 Rip up
 - 14 Hail, mainly
 - 15 "Sure can!"
 - 16 Ninth-century emperor called "the Pious"
 - 17 Priestly robes
 - 18 Giza's river
 - 19 Injure gravely
 - 24 Foot curve
 - 25 Pertains
 - 30 Mu — shrimp
 - 31 Soft food for infants
 - 32 Smog soils it
 - 33 UFO pilots
 - 34 Common job for 99-Down
 - 36 Numerical suffix
 - 38 Wooing gift
 - 39 Solemn vow
 - 40 Liberated, in Germany
 - 41 Kinnear of "Sabrina"
 - 42 Rip up
 - 43 "— Nagila"
 - 44 Outing
 - 45 Bark of pain
 - 46 Stare at creepily
 - 51 — -Pei
 - 52 "Let — known ..."
 - 53 Ex-Cub Sammy
 - 55 Foot coverer
 - 56 Duck locale
 - 57 Old CIA foe
 - 58 Previously named
 - 59 Actor Ron in a loincloth
 - 60 College transcript no.
 - 61 Perplexed
 - 62 Skit show since '75
 - 67 Upscale hotel chain
 - 68 Toe part
 - 69 Use a trowel
 - 70 Actor Ken
 - 71 Hawaii's bird
 - 72 Animated bug film
 - 73 Life sketch, for short
 - 74 Scull, e.g.
 - 75 Fleece-lined boot brand
 - 76 "Sk8er —" (Avril Lavigne hit)
 - 80 Clickable list
 - 81 "Sign me up"
 - 82 Artist Salvador
 - 83 Position of stressful responsibility
 - 84 Like some spicy food
 - 85 Slope
 - 86 — -poly
 - 87 Tex-Mex dip, informally
 - 88 K thru 12
 - 89 Gulf nation
 - 95 — Lanka
 - 96 Boozing sort
 - 97 — -cone
 - 98 Protein-making stuff
 - 99 Car club initials
 - 100 Utmost degree
 - 102 Like many a prayer candle
 - 103 Mingo player on "Daniel Boone"
 - 105 Oil or vinegar bottles
 - 106 What "... means in analogies
 - 110 Irsksome type
 - 111 Racket-raising Arthur
 - 112 Nova, e.g.
 - 114 Gives it some gas
 - 115 Falco with four Emmys
 - 116 Store away
 - 118 Classic perfume brand
 - 119 "I'm c-c-cold"
 - 120 "I smell —!"
 - 122 Tooth doctor's
 - 125 Boise's state: Abbr.
 - 126 Roman 7
 - 127 EarthLink or MSN rival



FULL HOUSE

Phil Houseal



Political bias

Every four years as we approach the elections, I ask the same question: Is anyone “undecided?”

Because 90% of everyone who is paying attention to politics fall one way or the other on these binary choices: either Republican or Democrat, Liberal or Conservative, Left or Right. (For discussion purposes, let's limit this to a Presidential election.)

And I would bet that choice cannot be changed by watching a debate, answering a poll, reading a platform, or reacting to the latest October surprise.

Or even less from seeing a political ad or reading another flyer in the mail.

It seems an individual's political preference is set and not negotiable, even in the face of an avalanche of facts and arguments from the other side.

My question is, at what point in life does that political preference get baked in?

My earliest awareness of politics was the Kennedy/Nixon election of 1960. One of my older sisters brought home a poster she had made in school depicting the two candidates riding a donkey and an elephant in a race. I remember it raised a spirited discussion at our dinner table, although I don't recall any consensus in our family vote.

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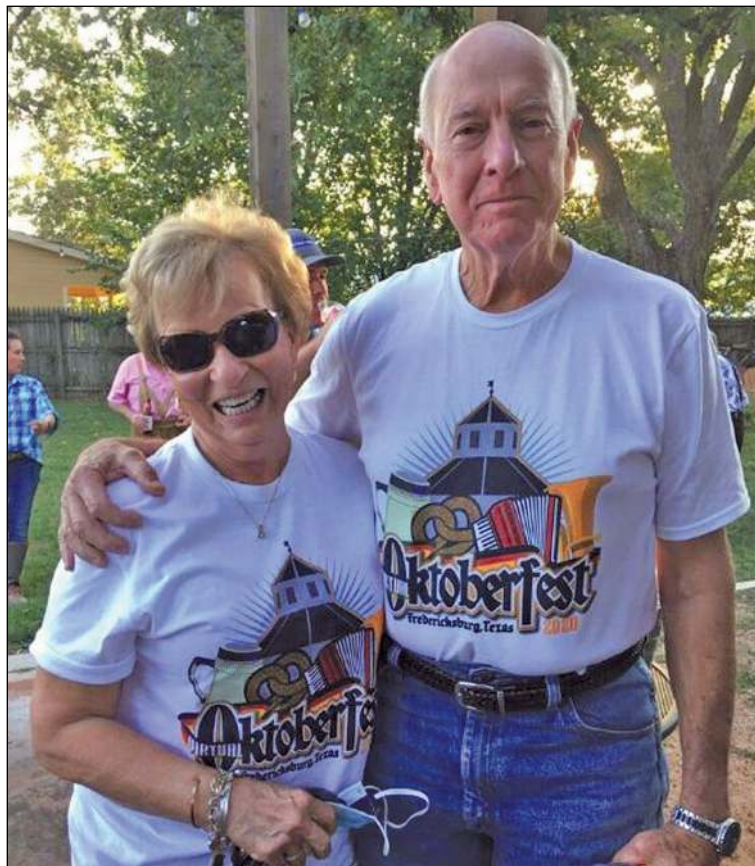
Taste
Fischer and Wieser dishes on Texas-style beef ribs ▶ C/D12

Celebrating *Gemütlichkeit* at home

Oktoberfest goes virtual in 40th anniversary



German Life magazine editor Mary Beth and circulation manager Matt Strickler take in the 40th annual Oktoberfest virtual festivities together by watching the pre-recorded festivities Saturday, Oct. 3 — Submitted photo



Scotky Leal and Lisa Canales, who got engaged at Fredericksburg's Oktoberfest in 2018, celebrated this year's virtual event in a festive way at their home by drinking their favorite beers, dressing up in Lederhosen and Dirndl and watching the pre-recorded event.

Oktoberfest treasurer Pam Wilson and Oktoberfest advisory board member Ben Wilson take in the virtual event with some friends. — Submitted photo



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Schandua welcomes newcomers to area

A group of newcomers were welcomed into the community by Fredericksburg Hospitality Hostess Jennifer Schandua.

Persons who are new to the community are urged to contact Schandua at 997-4597 (home) or 456-6992 (cell) or email her at jenniferschandua@gmail.com to let her know that they are now living here.

A report on her visits follows:

Larry and Tammy Mitchell moved here from Aledo. He is an aerospace engineer and flies Sikorsky helicopters for Lockheed. They have one married daughter and two grandchildren. He likes to fly, she likes to volunteer and they both like to spend time with family.

Doug and Laura Waters like outdoor activities, including camping, hiking and fishing. He is retired from the Department of Defense as an electrical engineer and she worked for USAA and the district attorney's office. Formerly from Colorado Springs, Colorado, they have a grown son and two grandchildren.

Dwight and Rustine Smith have a blended family of four adult children and seven grandchildren. Formerly from San Angelo, they like to ride horses. He works in construction and likes riding horses and bulls and she works at Dollar Tree.

Vance and Annette Griffin moved here from Henderson. He is a retired distribution center manager for Bealls and she is a retired court coordinator for the district judge in Rusk County. They have one grown son. They like to travel, visit friends, eat out, garden, movies, plays and spending

time with family and friends. **Jonathan and Staci Ramsay** have two daughters, Jordan, 24, and Reagan, 16, and a son, Preston, 20. Formerly from Granite, Oklahoma, they like hiking with their dogs, swimming and outdoor activities. He works from home for Calberio Software.

Archit Prajapati works for Hill Country Memorial Hospital as a medical scribe. Formerly from Troy, Alabama, he likes to read.

Andre Boada is the director of marketing for Augusta Vin. Formerly from Santa Rosa, California, he likes outdoor sports, including tennis and hiking. He also likes to try restaurants and wine.

Joe and Cindy Brown like music, reading and woodwork. He is retired from the electronic component industry and she is retired from church communications. Formerly from Arlington, they have one adult daughter.

Melissa Doyle originally moved here for a job with H-E-B from New Braunfels. She has four grown children, and she likes Magfed Paintball, cooking, working out and roller skating.

Dustin and Marie Fleming have a baby boy. He is a Marine Corps veteran and she works as an occupational therapist. Formerly from Temple, they like spending time outside, hiking, eating out, crafts and home improvement projects.

Angela Beucler is a full-time student studying to become a dental hygienist. Formerly from Cyprus in the Mediterranean Sea, she was also a glass artist for 20 years. She has a daughter, Makenzy, 12, and they like camping, swimming and art.

FHS DRUMLINE JOINS CELEBRATION



The Fredericksburg High School Band drumline helped celebrate the Fredericksburg ISD Education Foundation giving 13 grants to three Fredericksburg Independent School District schools on Thursday. Pictured from left, Peter Stenberg, Gerry Balderas, JT Halford, Kevin

Igarta, Aiden Eubanks, Will Keller, Alex Burlison and William Vorauer. The drumline visited three campuses, including Fredericksburg Middle School, Fredericksburg High School and Fredericksburg Elementary School. — Standard-Radio Post/McKenzie Moelling

CTC offers Fire Service Administration degree program

Central Texas College (CTC) recently announced current firefighters can now earn an associate of applied science degree through the school's fire service administration degree program.

The program consists of classes in fire protection, business, management and emergency management, and is aimed toward career firefighters seeking advancement or promotion in the field of fire service. All classes are offered online to offer flexibility and not interfere with work schedules.

Currently employed firefighters and volunteer firefighters qualify for fire academy tuition exemption for fire service classes in the program.

"CTC is offering 12 hours of evaluated credit toward the fire science classes for students who have completed the fire academy and have actual work experience in the

field," said Jon Cella, CTC department chairperson — Protective Services. "This will leave these students only the core classes to finish to complete an associate of applied science degree."

The fire service courses in the program are Fundamentals of Fire Protection (FIRT 1301), Fire Administration I (FIRT 1309), Fire Administration II (FIRT 1349), Firefighting Strategies and Tactics I (FIRT 2309), Firefighter Health and Safety (FIRT 1319) and Fire Protection Systems (FIRT 1338).

Other courses in the program are Emergency Medical Technician — basic and clinical, Managing a Unified Incident Command, Principles of Basic Emergency Management, Business and Professional Communications, Office Management, Principles of Financial Accounting,

Human Relations and Business Principles.

EMT certification extension

CTC is also extending evaluated credit for those with EMT certification.

These students will only have to complete two fire science courses, plus the core classes to earn their degree.

"With the tuition exemption and evaluated credit for several classes, the Fire Service Administration pro-

gram is a quicker and less expensive option to attain a college degree for those with a career in firefighting," said Cella. "With a degree in hand, it may open many more doors for promotions in fire service management."

Anyone interested in enrolling in the CTC Fire Service Administration degree program should call the CTC Protective Services department at 254-526-1275. The CTC student application is available online at ctcd.edu.

Reunions

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, many families planning reunions this year have canceled or postponed their events.

The *Fredericksburg Standard-Radio Post* will publish announcements regarding family reunions that were scheduled to take place in Gillespie County.

Please include the name of the group; date, place and time of the reunion, and contact information and submit it in person at 712 West Main Street or mail it to the *Fredericksburg Standard-Radio Post*, P.O. Box 1639, Fredericksburg, TX 78624, fax it to 830-990-0036, or e-mail it to the following:

fbgnews@fredericksburgstandard.com.

Family Reunions

The Ludwig Evers family reunion set for Oct. 17 has been canceled and rescheduled for Oct. 16, 2021, and will be held at the Doss Community Center. For more information, contact Annabel Wilkinson at 830-456-9476.

The Herman Duecker family reunion has been scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 19, in the Fellowship Hall at St. Paul Lutheran Church at Cave Creek. With the COVID-19 pandemic, the reunion plans are up in the air, and organizers will keep family members posted as the event draws closer. For more information, contact Susie Britton by text or leave a voice at 998-8899.

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Family Photo Weekend Oct. 17-18th 11 - 5	Karneigh Royal Oct. 10th 1:30 - 4:30
Petting Zoo & Pony Rides Oct. 24th 11-2	Kathy & Michael Oct. 17th 1:30 - 4:30
Halloween Virtual Costume Contest & Trick or Treating Oct. 31st 10-5	Honey & Hillbillies Oct. 24th 12:30 - 3:30
	The Time Bandits Oct. 31st 1:30 - 4:30

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City manager to have coffee event Oct. 14

City Manager Kent Myers will meet with residents over coffee next Wednesday, Oct. 14.

The event will take place from 8-9 a.m. under the Oktoberfest Halle at Marktplatz.

This monthly meeting allows residents to ask questions and voice concerns related to city business in a relaxed atmosphere.

This will be an in-person gathering, but residents are encouraged to social distance and wear face coverings. Attendees should bring their own chairs.

This event is held at various locations around the community each month. For more information, call 830-997-7521.

Roasted Raspberry BBQ Beef Ribs - Texas style

By Case Fischer

CULINARY ADVENTURE

BBBQ Beef Ribs – they are a favorite in our household, and I don't mind cooking them because for me, the secret is all in the sauce! Think about St. Louis Ribs, or Kansas-style, Memphis-style, and Central/East Texas barbecue.

As we have discussed, every part of the country has a BBQ style, but each one has a common concept: hours of work are put into the finished product of these notable ribs that you just can't get anywhere else.

Today, I'll show you two convenient ways to make traditional BBQ: on the grill and slow cooked in the oven.

I use our favorite sauce on either option: The Original Roasted Raspberry Chipotle Sauce.

Cooking the ribs is the most important step. What's the secret to barbecue beef ribs? Cook them low and slow.

Smoking your ribs will produce the best-tasting ribs possible, however there are several ways to cook ribs to produce the same tender meat.

Because smoking your ribs takes about six to seven hours, and not every house-



Mark Wieser & Case Fischer

hold has access to a slow cooker, there are several other convenient methods you can use to cut the cooking time in half or less. BBQ Ribs can be cooked in a smoker, on the grill, deep fried, or in an instant pot/crock pot.

To cook in the oven or on the grill, low heat is best for that similar smoked-style BBQ ribs.

New methods of cooking and new flavors continuously keep barbecues far from average. Think of all the BBQ competitions that take place every year – when BBQing, my favorite Fischer & Wieser tip is don't use the sauce just as it is – feel free to mix it up a little.

I often take our sauces and mix them together, or add a Worcestershire or A-1, or a typical BBQ sauce to one of our products.

In this instance, Roasted

Raspberry Chipotle Sauce mixed well with seasonings and BBQ sauce makes the flavors in these tender ribs unbeatable and long-lasting.

Try your own sauce and seasoning combinations to continuously invent new flavors and different barbecuing experiences.

Ingredients

- 3 lbs meaty beef ribs
- 1 ½ tsp dried thyme
- 2 tsp onion powder
- 2 tsp mustard powder
- 1 tsp garlic powder
- 1 tsp paprika
- ½ tsp cayenne powder
- ½ tsp salt
- ½ tsp black pepper
- ½ cup apple cider vinegar
- ½ cup vegetable oil
- 1 ½ cup Fischer & Wieser Roasted Raspberry Chipotle Sauce
- ½ cup BBQ sauce

Directions

For Oven

1. Rinse ribs and dry completely with paper towels
2. In a small bowl, mix together seasoning and pour into a bag with ribs. Seal bag airtight and place in fridge for 2-3 hours (if time allows, marinate overnight)
3. Preheat oven to 300 degrees F



4. Place ribs on a foil-lined baking tray in a single layer. Add another piece of foil on top to create a pouch for the ribs to cook in. Seal the edges of the foil so that it is tight and no steam can seep out.

5. Bake on the middle rack for 3 ½-4 hours. Check on the ribs after the 3 ½ hour mark

6. Brush ribs with Raspberry Chipotle sauce, and broil on low for 3-4 minutes (or until sauce becomes sticky)

7. When the ribs are done to your liking, serve with side dishes and brush more sauce on if desired.

For Grill

1. In a medium bowl, combine marinade ingredients,

mixing thoroughly. Place ribs in an airtight ziploc bag, and pour marinade inside the bag. Coat ribs well and seal bag. Place in refrigerator for 2-6 hours (if time allows, marinate overnight)

2. Preheat grill to medium-low (250 F) and lightly oil the grill grates. When the grill is hot, remove ribs from plastic bag and place on the cool sides of the grill to cook indirectly. Close the lid of grill and cook for 1-1 ½ hours turning every 15-20 minutes.

3. Brush ribs with Roasted Raspberry Chipotle sauce and place back on grill for 4-5 minutes.

4. Serve with side dishes!

FULL HOUSE

After that, I was not interested in politics, even when I turned 18. But I knew it was important to vote. So, I usually penciled in the third-party candidate just to record my participation without influencing the outcome by my ignorance.

As I matured and became vested in the economy and society, I began to form stronger opinions on what I expected from political leadership. I grew more informed, and saw the results elections could have.

But politics remained something to discuss around kitchen tables and on bar stools.

Until the rise of social media. Today, it's impossible to avoid the bitter tropes flung across the digital battlegrounds. I marvel at the intensity and frequency of such debates, even in the face of evidence they do nothing to change anyone's opinion.

So, my question remains, what are the roots of these intense individual political views?

I know it has nothing to do with the way we were raised. Look at any family, and you

will see siblings at opposite ends of the political spectrum, leading to seats at opposite ends of the Thanksgiving table.

Yet every child was raised in the same household by the same parents, learning from the same teachers, listening to the same sermons. Does that mean we are born liberal or conservative? Or changed by some profound life experience outside the home?

However we arrive at our political bias, it is a powerful force. Because people hold

on to their politics more passionately than they do their religious views. At least they defend them more vigorously. Maybe that's because we have learned not to question anyone's religious dogma; but we haven't learned the same about politics. We labor under the misconception that we can change someone's political view.

I have yet to see it happen.

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Venues in Fredericksburg	Wednesday, Oct. 7	Thursday, Oct. 8	Friday, Oct. 9	Saturday, Oct. 10	Sunday, Oct. 11	Monday, Oct. 12	Tuesday, Oct. 13
Aldorf Biergarten 301 W. Main St., 830-997-3186			Wake Eastman 6 p.m.	Alexandra & Joe, Noon Off The Grid, 6 p.m.	Colleen Miller Noon		
The Club at Barons CreekSide 316 Goehmann Lane, 830-992-3421		Open mic - Jonathan Lee 7 p.m.	Rich Bermea Duo 7 p.m.	Double 'R Nothing 7 p.m.			
Crossroads 305 W. Main St., 830-992-3288	Enchanted Rock Vodka Music Series, 6 p.m.	Jesse Stratton 7 p.m.	Dave & The Hail Mary Trio 7:30 p.m.	Obsession 8:30 p.m.	The Hoelscher Brothers 6 p.m.		
Cultures Bar & Grill 318 E. Main Street, 830-997-8100		Gustavo Rodriguez Band 7 p.m.					
Das Peach Haus 1406 S US Hwy 87, 830-997-8969				Karneigh Royal 1:30 p.m.			
El Milagro 249 E. Main, 830-307-3051		Jimmy Lee & Shelly Drumshell Rogers 6 p.m.	In Transition Band 6 p.m.	The Time Bandits 6 p.m.	Jimmy Lee & Shelly Drumshell Rogers Noon		
Hitchin' Post 105 S. Llano, 830-992-3777				Colleen Miller 6:30 p.m.	Jimmy Ruggiere 6:30 p.m.		
Hondo's on Main 312 W. Main Street, 830-997-1633		Slim Bawb 7 p.m.		Christopher Meacham Noon	Bryan Maldonado 12:30 p.m.		
Lost Draw Cellars 113 E. Park St., 830-992-3251			Bernie Martini 1 p.m.	Woody Eastman 1 p.m.			
Mac's BBQ 204 E. Main, 830-307-1005			Josh Peek 6 p.m.	Towne Adams 6 p.m.			
Rockbox Theater 109 N. Llano St., 830-997-7625			Kin Faux 8 p.m., \$20 per person	Eagles/Journey Tribute Show 4 p.m. & 8 p.m. \$45-\$62 per person			
Silver Creek 310 E. Main St., 830-990-4949			Nick Zamora, Noon Bill Lewis, 6 p.m.	Greg Wall, Noon Jake Martin, 6 p.m.	London & David, Noon Open Mic, 6 p.m.	Blues Monday 6 p.m.	
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NOTICE FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

The City Council of the City of Fredericksburg, Texas will hold a Public Hearing to hear public opinion regarding the conversion of the intersection of N. Milam (RR 965) and W. Austin from a two-way stop intersection to an all-way stop intersection. In response to increased traffic and public safety concerns, the City's traffic consultant for the citywide Traffic Impact Study, Kimley-Horn & Associates, completed a multi-way stop warrant analysis of the intersection and found that an all-way stop is warranted.

The Public Hearing will be held by the City Council on Monday, October 19, 2020 at 6 p.m. at the University Center at the University Center -HEB Room-2818 US-290, Fredericksburg, TX 78624 and/or via Zoom.

Join via Internet: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89518020428>
Meeting ID: 895 1802 0428 Passcode: 913713

Join via Telephone: (877) 853-5247 US Toll-free (888) 788-0099 US Toll-free Meeting ID: 895 1802 0428.

This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking space are available. Request for accommodations or interpretive service must be made 48 hours prior to the meetings. Please contact the City Secretary's Office at (830)997-7521 for further information.

Shelley Goodwin, TRMC
City Secretary

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice to Creditors:

Notice is hereby given that Original Letters Testamentary in the Estate of VICTORIA HILDEBRAND, Deceased, were issued on September 29, 2020, in Cause No. 10783, pending in the County Court, Gillespie County, Texas, to:

EMMA LOU MITCHELL

Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the estate, addressed as follows:

Representative, Estate of Victoria Hildebrand, Deceased

**c/o PATRICK M. DOOLEY
414 W. Main St.
Fredericksburg, TX 78624**

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

Dated October 5, 2020.

Patrick M. Dooley,
Attorney for Applicant
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of DONALD ANDY PERRYMAN, Deceased, were issued on September 29, 2020, in Cause No. 10777, pending in the County Court, Gillespie County, Texas, to: LARRY HEFFELFINGER. Claims may be presented to LARRY HEFFELFINGER as follows:

Estate of **DONALD ANDY PERRYMAN**, Deceased
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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
Dated this 29th day of September, 2020

CHRISTOPHER C. SCHOESSOW
Attorney for LARRY HEFFELFINGER,
Independent Executrix

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF THOMAS MARSHALL WALDEN, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Thomas Marshall Walden, Deceased, were issued on September 24, 2020, in Cause No. 10790, pending in the County Court, Gillespie County, Texas, to:

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The Post Office address of such Independent Executor is:

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

This Texas Lottery Commission scratch ticket game will close on October 12, 2020. You have until April 10, 2021, to redeem any tickets for this game: **#2190 Premier Play** (\$50) overall odds are 1 in 3.26. This Texas Lottery Commission scratch ticket game will close on October 17, 2020. You have until April 15, 2021, to redeem any tickets for this game: **#2217 Lucky 7s** (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 4.11. This Texas Lottery Commission scratch ticket game will close on November 7, 2020. You have until May 6, 2021, to redeem any tickets for this game: **#2195 Monopoly™ 50X** (\$5) overall odds are 1 in 4.05. These Texas Lottery Commission scratch ticket games will close on November 18, 2020. You have until May 17, 2021, to redeem any tickets for these games: **#2212 Find The 9s** (\$1) overall odds are 1 in 4.83, **#2167 Mega Loteria** (\$10) overall odds are 1 in 3.54. **Txlottery.org** is the official source for all pertinent game information. Game closing procedures may be initiated for documented business reasons. These games may have prizes unclaimed, including top prizes. In addition, game closing procedures will be initiated when all top prizes have been claimed. During closing, games may be sold even after all top prizes have been claimed. Must be 18 or older to purchase a ticket. For help with a gambling problem, ncpgambling.org.

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City of Fredericksburg is seeking proposals for Specific and Aggregate Stop Loss for their self-funded employee benefit plan. Request for Proposals can be obtained by contacting the TML Health Benefits Pool via email at stephanie.chtata@tmlhb.org or by calling (512) 719-6754. Proposals must be received by October 13, 2020 by 2:00 pm.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE

Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Mixed Beverage Permit, Mixed Beverage Late Hours Permit, and Food & Beverage Certificate for RCKTheater, LLC dba Rockbox Theater, located at 109 N. Llano St., Fredericksburg, Gillespie County, Texas. Kasia K.Welch and Kelly J. Welch, Managers.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of City of Fredericksburg General Election (postponed from May 2, 2020)

To the registered voters of the City of Fredericksburg, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on November 3, 2020, for voting in a general election to elect Mayor and two (2) City Council members.

Election Day Polling Place Locations. The polling places for November 3, 2020 Election Day personal appearance will open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and will be held at:

Pct.	Location
Pct. 1	Gillespie County Agricultural Extension Building - Conference Room 95 Frederick Rd., Fredericksburg, Tx 78624
Pct. 2	Gillespie County Historical Society Sanctuary Hall 312 W. San Antonio St. Fredericksburg, Tx. 78624
Pct. 3	Fredericksburg Fire & EMS Department South Station Conference Room 221 Friendship Lane Fredericksburg, Tx. 78624
Pct. 4	Girl Scout Cabin 202 W. Austin St. Fredericksburg, Tx. 78624

Early Voting Location and Schedule. Early Voting by personal appearance shall be held at the Gillespie County Annex 2 Bldg.—102 E. San Antonio St., Ste. C Conference Room - Fredericksburg, Texas, 78624, on the dates and times below:

Tues.	October	13th	from	7:00 a.m.	To	7:00 p.m.
Wed.	October	14th	from	8:00 a.m.	to	4:00 p.m.
Thurs.	October	15th	from	8:00 a.m.	to	4:00 p.m.
Fri.	October	16th	from	8:00 a.m.	to	4:00 p.m.
Sun.	October	18th	from	1:00 p.m.	to	3:00 p.m.
Mon.	October	19th	from	8:00 a.m.	to	4:00 p.m.
Tues.	October	20th	from	7:00 a.m.	to	7:00 p.m.
Wed.	October	21st	from	8:00 a.m.	to	4:00 p.m.
Thurs.	October	22nd	from	8:00 a.m.	to	4:00 p.m.
Fri.	October	23rd	from	8:00 a.m.	to	4:00 p.m.
Sun.	October	25th	from	1:00 p.m.	to	3:00 p.m.
Mon.	October	26th	from	8:00 a.m.	to	4:00 p.m.
Tues.	October	27th	from	7:00 a.m.	to	7:00 p.m.
Wed.	October	28th	from	8:00 a.m.	to	4:00 p.m.
Thurs.	October	29th	from	8:00 a.m.	to	4:00 p.m.
Fri.	October	30th	from	8:00 a.m.	to	4:00 p.m.

Applications for Voting By Mail. Applications shall be mailed to Shelley Goodwin, City Secretary, City of Fredericksburg, 126 W. Main Street, Fredericksburg, Texas 78624, and shall be received, in person, no later than the close of business on October 16, 2020 and, by mail, no later than the close of business on October 23, 2020. Applications for ballot by mail may not be received before January 1, 2020.

Issued on 3rd day of February, 2020 and amended on 21st day of September, 2020.

//s/

Signature of Mayor

PUBLIC NOTICE

Aviso de las elecciones generales de la ciudad de Fredericksburg (pospuesto a partir del 2 de mayo de 2020)

A los votantes registrados de la ciudad de Fredericksburg, Texas:

Se notifica que los lugares de votación que se enumeran a continuación estarán abiertos de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m., el 3 de noviembre de 2020, para votar en una elección general para elegir a alcalde y dos (2) concejales municipales.

Ubicaciones del lugar de votación del día de las elecciones. Los lugares de votación para la aparición personal del día de las elecciones del 3 de noviembre de 2020 se abrirán de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m., y se llevarán a cabo en:

Pct.	Location
Pct. 1	Gillespie County Agricultural Extension Building - Conference Room 95 Frederick Rd., Fredericksburg, Tx 78624
Pct. 2	Gillespie County Historical Society Sanctuary Hall 312 W. San Antonio St. Fredericksburg, Tx. 78624
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Ubicación y Horario de Votación Temprana. La votación temprana por apariencia personal se llevará a cabo en el Anexo 2 del Condado de Gillespie Bldg.—102 E. San Antonio St., Ste. C Conference Room - Fredericksburg, Texas, 78624, en las fechas y horas siguientes:

(Martes)	(Octubre)	13th	(de)	7:00 a.m.	(para)	7:00 p.m.
(Miércoles)	(Octubre)	14th	(de)	8:00 a.m.	(para)	4:00 p.m.
(Jueves)	(Octubre)	15th	(de)	8:00 a.m.	(para)	4:00 p.m.
(Viernes)	(Octubre)	16th	(de)	8:00 a.m.	(para)	4:00 p.m.
(Domingo)	(Octubre)	18th	(de)	1:00 p.m.	(para)	3:00 p.m.
(Lunes)	(Octubre)	19th	(de)	8:00 a.m.	(para)	4:00 p.m.
(Martes)	(Octubre)	20th	(de)	7:00 a.m.	(para)	7:00 p.m.
(Miércoles)	(Octubre)	21st	(de)	8:00 a.m.	(para)	4:00 p.m.
(Jueves)	(Octubre)	22nd	(de)	8:00 a.m.	(para)	4:00 p.m.
(Viernes)	(Octubre)	23rd	(de)	8:00 a.m.	(para)	4:00 p.m.
(Domingo)	(Octubre)	25th	(de)	1:00 p.m.	(para)	3:00 p.m.
(Lunes)	(Octubre)	26th	(de)	8:00 a.m.	(para)	4:00 p.m.
(Martes)	(Octubre)	27th	(de)	7:00 a.m.	(para)	7:00 p.m.
(Miércoles)	(Octubre)	28th	(de)	8:00 a.m.	(para)	4:00 p.m.
(Jueves)	(Octubre)	29th	(de)	8:00 a.m.	(para)	4:00 p.m.
(Viernes)	(Octubre)	30th	(de)	8:00 a.m.	(para)	4:00 p.m.

Solicitudes de Votación por Correo. Las solicitudes se enviarán por correo a Shelley Goodwin, Secretario de la Ciudad, Ciudad de Fredericksburg, 126 W. Main Street, Fredericksburg, Texas 78624, y se recibirán, en persona, a más tardar el cierre del negocio el 16 de octubre de 2020 y, por correo, a más tardar el cierre del negocio el 23 de octubre de 2020. Las solicitudes de boleta por correo no se pueden recibir antes del 1 de enero de 2020.

Publicado el 3er día de febrero de 2020 y modificado el 21 de septiembre de 2020.

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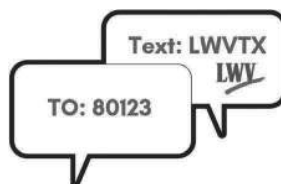
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How do I find my polling place?

Go to VOTE411.org or your **county election website**.

What is on my ballot?

- Find a sample ballot on your **county election website!**
- Compare candidates with the League's nonpartisan *Voters Guide* at VOTE411.org.
- Take your list of candidates to the polls when you go vote!
- You may bring the League's *Voters Guide* to the polls.
- You cannot use your phone in the voting booth.

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» VOTE SAFE

The League of Women Voters of Texas encourages you to “Be a Safe Texas Voter!” in the 2020 elections. We fight for the right of ALL Texas voters to participate in our democracy while protecting their health. Your vote is more important than ever . . . share these tips for voting safely.

» VOTE BY MAIL

If you are voting by mail . . .

- Ballots are mailed out 30–45 days before an election or 7 days after the county election office receives an application.
- Mail in your ballot as soon as possible.
- Use a blue or black pen, not a pencil, to fill out the ballot.
- Sign the ballot and the envelope with the same signature you used on your application.
- Ballots may need two stamps.

To hand deliver your vote by mail ballot

- The voter may hand deliver their marked ballot in-person to the county election office during early voting and on election day while polls are open. Check with your county election office for times and locations.
- The voter must show an ID when delivering the ballot, and sign a signature roster.

If you received a ballot to vote by mail, but decide to vote in person

- Take your unmarked ballot with you to the polling place and turn it in to the voting clerk. You will be allowed to vote a regular ballot.
- If you lose or forget your ballot, you can still cast a ballot at the polling place. In this case, you will be allowed to vote a provisional ballot.

» VOTE IN PERSON

The Texas Secretary of State provides the following recommendations for voting in person during COVID

- sos.state.tx.us/elections/laws/advisory2020-19.shtml
- sos.texas.gov/elections/forms/health-protocols-for-voters.pdf

Voters are encouraged to:

- wear a mask
- practice social distancing by spacing themselves at least six feet apart
- bring a pen and hand sanitizer
- bring a list of candidates you are voting for. Use of mobile phones is prohibited in the voting booth, so be sure to bring what you need on paper, not on your phone.

» VOTE EARLY

- Voters may vote early at any voting location in their county.
- Find your polling site at [VOTE411.org](https://www.vote411.org) or your county election website.
- A voter with a disability and their helper who are in line to vote in person may request to move ahead of other voters in line.

» CURBSIDE VOTING

- Available for voters who are physically unable to enter the polling place without personal assistance or likelihood of injuring their health, or voters who have signs or symptoms of COVID-19.
- Voters who meet these qualifications may ask an election officer to bring a ballot to their car.

» VOTE DURING NON-PEAK HOURS!

During early voting and especially on Election Day, vote during non-peak hours such as mid-morning or mid-afternoon. Avoid the busiest periods of early morning, lunchtime and after work.

» SUSPENDED VOTER

You can still vote if your voter registration is in suspense! “Suspense” means that your county voter registrar needs to confirm your voting address.

» HOW TO VOTE A LIMITED BALLOT ONLY!

During early voting, a registered voter who has moved from the county in which he or she is registered to a new county of residence in Texas, and who will not be registered to vote in the new county before Election Day, may be eligible to vote a “limited ballot.” A limited ballot allows you to vote on state and national races.

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U.S. PRESIDENT

The President is: the head of state of the United States of America; the Chief Executive Officer; and, the Commander in Chief of all military forces. The powers of the President are prescribed in the Constitution and federal law. The President appoints the members of the Cabinet, ambassadors to other nations and the United Nations, Supreme Court Justices, and federal judges, subject to Senate approval. The President, along with the Cabinet and its agencies, is responsible for carrying out and enforcing the laws of the United States. The President may also recommend legislation to the United States Congress. Current Annual Salary: \$400,000 per year

Note: All candidates who will appear on your ballot are listed below but only those that meet the following criteria were invited to respond to the League's questions in this guide.

1. The candidate must have made a public announcement of her/his intention to run for President.
2. The candidate must meet the Presidential Election Campaign Fund Act's minimum contribution threshold requirements for qualifying for matching funds, based on the most recent data publicly available on the Federal Elections Commission website.

3. The candidate must qualify for the ballot in enough states to win a majority of electoral votes.

All qualified presidential candidates were invited to provide biographical information and responses to specific questions. Responses were limited to a specific number of characters and were truncated thereafter. If a candidate did not respond by the date of publication, "Candidate has not yet responded." is printed.

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» **Donald J. Trump (R)** Candidate has not yet responded.

Campaign Website: <http://www.donaldjtrump.com/>

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/DonaldTrump/>

Twitter: @realDonaldTrump



» **Joseph R. Biden (D)**

Campaign Website: <http://www.joebiden.com>

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/joebiden>

Twitter: twitter.com/joebiden

Q: What actions would you take to balance public health and economic recovery in the US, both in light of COVID-19 and

for the long term?

A: It's a false choice to think we have to choose between our public health and economy; they're linked. On Day One, I'll implement the COVID strategy I've laid out since March—surging testing and protective gear; distributing vaccines safely and free of politics; helping schools and small businesses cover costs; and getting state and local governments resources to keep educators, cops, and firefighters on the job. I'll respect science and tell the truth, period. And I'll build our economy back better, creating millions of good-paying jobs. I'll revitalize manufacturing, build a clean energy economy, and boost caregiving—easing the squeeze on working families, providing paid leave, and getting caregivers the respect and pay they deserve.

Q: What is the most important issue facing our country and how do you plan to address it during your first 100 days in office?

A: Pandemic. Recession. Racial injustice. Climate change. We're facing historic crises; we have to tackle them all at once. Character and experience count. I'll listen to scientists, tell the truth, and make sure we're never so unprepared for a pandemic again. I'll expand the Affordable Care Act, lowering costs and making health care a right for all. I'll build our economy back better, and make racial equity central to recovery. In these crises, we have an enormous opportunity, if we come together. As President, I'll draw on the best of us, not the worst. I'll work as hard for those who don't support me as for those who do. That's a president's job: to represent us all. To take responsibility. To protect the nation. To unite and to heal.

Q: How will you address racial injustice in our country on day one of your administration?

A: America is at an inflection point. It's past time to end our inequities and deal with the denial of our nation's promise to too many for too long. I'll fight to end the health inequities that COVID-19 amplifies; and give every child the same strong start in life by offering universal Pre-K, tripling funding for Title I schools, and making public college debt-free for most families. I'll make racial equity central to our recovery, closing the racial wealth and income gaps, boosting home ownership, and investing in communities and entrepreneurs of color—building a stronger, more inclusive middle class for the future. And, I'll work for real police reform and invest in shifting our criminal justice focus from incarceration to prevention.

Q: What aspects of our current immigration policy will your administration address first?

A: My immigration policy is built around keeping families together. It's past time to reform our broken system, restoring family unification and diversity as its core pillars. As President, I'll reverse Trump's assault on our values on Day One, ending his cruel border policies that rip children from their mothers' arms. I'll act immediately to protect Dreamers and their families, and invest real political capital in finally delivering legislative immigration reform, with a roadmap to citizenship for the nearly 11 million undocumented people who already do so much to make our communities strong. We have to enforce our laws, but in a way that's humane, respects due process, honors our values, and sees the big picture.

Q: What will you do over the long term to ensure access to quality healthcare for all?

A: This pandemic makes clear: All Americans need access to quality, affordable health insurance. That's why I'll protect and build on the Affordable Care Act. I helped to secure the final key votes to pass that landmark law, protecting 100 million Americans who can no longer be turned away or denied coverage for pre-existing conditions, and bringing coverage to 20 million more. As President, I'll build on that progress with a public option and lower health care and prescription drug costs. I'll make all COVID-19 testing, treatment, and vaccines free; double funding for community health centers that are so often on the frontlines of care; and much more.

The following candidates have qualified for the Texas state ballot according to the Secretary of State of Texas but did not meet the LWVEF criteria.

» **Jo Jorgensen (L)**

» **Howie Hawkins (G)**

U.S. SENATOR

Six-year term. One of two members of the U.S. Senate from Texas. The Senate has the exclusive power to advise and consent on presidential nominations to executive and judicial offices, to ratify U.S. treaties, and to try impeachments. With the U.S. House, the Senate adopts budgets, levies taxes, borrows money, regulates interstate commerce, provides services, adopts regulations, and declares war. Current annual salary: \$174,000
» What does a senator do? https://youtu.be/K_fSu4Cd9xw

» QUESTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Qualifications: What training, experience, and background qualify you for this position?

Immigration: What are your priorities regarding the immigration system?

Healthcare: How would you address access to and the cost of healthcare?

Gun Violence: What are your recommendations to protect students from gun violence?

COVID-19: What actions, if any, do you believe are needed to address the health and economic impact caused by COVID-19?

Voting Rights: What actions, if any, would you take to ensure that all eligible voters have equal access to safe and fair elections?

Vouchers: What is your position on using public funds for private school vouchers and why?

Two Minute Video Option: Comment on the recent civil rights demonstrations.



» John Cornyn (R)

Qualifications: John Cornyn was elected to the Texas Supreme Court in 1990. In 1998, he was elected Attorney General of Texas. In 2002, he was elected to the U.S. Senate. Senator Cornyn serves on the Senate's Judiciary, Finance, and Intelligence Committees.

Immigration: Recognizing we are a nation of immigrants, Senator Cornyn has voted in support of a permanent legislative solution for Dreamers who call Texas their home. The Senator cosponsored the Secured and Succeed Act in 2018, which proposed a solution for DACA recipients that provides a pathway to citizenship for 1.8 million young adults.

Healthcare: Senator Cornyn supports a system that: protects those with pre-existing conditions; lowers the cost of prescription drugs by increasing generics; increases competition by allowing cross-state health insurance; lowers out of pocket costs for seniors on Medicare; reestablishes the privacy of the doctor patient relationship

Gun Violence: Sen. Cornyn believes the right to keep and bear arms is a sacred Constitutional right for Texans. But we must ensure guns are kept out of the hands of criminals and domestic abusers. He believes we need to eliminate unli-

censed firearm dealers, which will mean more people get background checks because all Federal Firearms Licenses are required to complete those.

COVID-19: Sen. Cornyn voted for the CARES Act, which sent stimulus checks to individuals who—through no fault of their own—were unable to work and earn a paycheck, and established the Paycheck Protection Program—a critical lifeline that helped ensure businesses could bridge the gap without laying off employees.

Voting Rights: Sen. Cornyn believes that any Texan who wants to vote safely can do so under existing law. If you're over 65 or you're disabled, you can vote by mail. Or if you are not going to be present in your county on Election Day, Gov. Abbott has extended the early voting period.

Vouchers: School choice empowers parents to choose the setting that best fits their child's unique interests, learning style and educational needs. While education is rightfully managed at the local and state level, our entire country has a stake in ensuring we are raising highly educated, analytical, well-rounded citizens.

Two Minute Video Option: <https://www.youtube.com/v/WLnXOc9afTU>

Campaign Website: <http://www.johncornyn.com/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/johncornyn>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/teamcornyn>



» Mary 'MJ' Hegar (D)

Qualifications: I have served our country, am a working mom, and live the challenges of regular Texans. I served 3 tours in Afghanistan as a medevac pilot, earning a Purple Heart & DFC w/ Valor and took on DC to make our military stronger. I'm the fighter we need.

Immigration: We need comprehensive immigration reform that reflects our core American values—the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. We must streamline the process for applying for and receiving citizenship, create a pathway to citizenship for those here, protect DREAMers, permanently end child separation and secure the border with effective procedures & technology.

Healthcare: During my 5 years working in health care, it was clear that our skyrocketing costs and high uninsured rate were unsustainable. As we face a pandemic and beyond, I'll fight for access to quality affordable health care for every Texan, and for their right to determine whether that is a public option or their current plan.

Gun Violence: As a mother of two young boys, gun violence survivor and a responsible gun owner, I say enough is enough. We must pass common-sense gun safety legislation to require background checks on every single gun sale, including closing the gun show loophole. We must also stop selling weapons of war to the public.

COVID-19: We need to listen to experts, not politicians, when it comes to solving the public health and economic crisis. We must provide adequate testing that is fully covered, protect our frontline workers, and improve contact tracing capacity. The economic recovery must center around supporting small businesses and workers, while enforcing transparency and accountability measures.

Voting Rights: Having served 12 years in the military I'm committed to defending our constitutional rights. I'll work to expand access to registration and voting, fight against voter suppression tactics, and support the John Lewis Voting Rights Act, restoring protections which have been weakened by the Supreme Court.

Vouchers: I'm a proud product of public school and a mama bear for my two young boys, and I will always fight for public schools and ALL of our kids. I oppose any policy that cuts or siphons funding from public schools.

Two Minute Video Option: My entire career I've fought to protect people's right to protest, and I stand with those peacefully demonstrating for change now. It's time for systemic reforms to fix how we train and equip law enforcement and improve their relationship with the public, and action to address the racial disparities that go far beyond our criminal justice system.

Campaign Website: <http://www.mjfortexas.com>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MJforTexas/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/mjhegar>



» Kerry Douglas McKennon (L)

Qualifications: I have served on the executive committee for the Libertarian Party of Texas. I have over 20 years of management in the retail and food industry.

Immigration: Our first priority is that no child is left in a cage or separated from their family, reforming immigration policy means making it as simple as have the same policy for all immigrants from all countries. More judges and caseworkers are needed to determine if those seeking asylum can be allowed in, because an individual in a detention facility for three year is unacceptable

Healthcare: Health insurance allowed to be purchased across state lines. The cost of healthcare is due primarily to the amount of money being spent in administration. We see within the VA and Medicare system; where actual treatments are being delayed or not approved due to lack of doctors, but there is never a shortage of admins boosting drug costs.

Gun Violence: Mental health and hate lie at the core of gun violence and those who act in it's wake. Hate is learned and can be unlearned, but is a very tough row to hoe. Mental health is an issue that we can diagnosis and treat. Those are not the answers that some individuals want to hear, but they are closer to protecting our students than any gun ban.



» David B. Collins (G)

Qualifications: I am a US citizen, 30 years of age or more. In college I studied political science, originally as my major field but eventually as a second field toward a Texas teacher certification. Since then, as an activist, I have followed global politics.

Immigration: Make immigration policy humane, at last. The US has helped make much of Central and South America unsafe for poor and indigenous families for decades; this must stop. Let our neighbors in and give them a path toward citizenship. If the flow of capital is globalized, with national boundaries practically irrelevant, the movement of workers should be just as unrestricted.

Healthcare: This nation should do what other wealthy nations have done successfully: guarantee universal, single-payer health care. COVID-19 has made this more urgent than ever. Improved Medicare for All will cover all ages, with dental, mental, and optical coverage and no premiums. Once fully operational, it will save the nation as a whole 50% on health care costs.

Gun Violence: When young people have hope for the future and access to the mental health care they need, they will be far less likely to look to firearms to "solve" their problems. Schools need to be places of nurturing and care for the whole student, especially when their homes often are not. Our government can set a better example by not bombing people to boost corporate profits.

COVID-19: I think politicians are damned if they do and damned if they don't in a pandemic situation. What we can do is get the government out of the way of treatment and care. It is difficult to say who is and who is not essential. For the individual working that is now not essential by the government for them that paycheck is essential to feed their family, to have shelter, etc.

Voting Rights: The Voters Rights Act has been a huge success. So much so that preclearance at the federal level is rarely needed to ensure the right to vote. One way to ensure eligible voters can access equal, safe, and fair elections is to stop the gerrymandering that currently occurs from both old parties.

Vouchers: I oppose using public funds for private school vouchers. The main reason is that those fund have been set aside for the use of public education. If a parent or guardian chooses to send their child to a private school, the taxpayers should not be paying for that choice.

Two Minute Video Option: Protest are always warranted. Violence as with the Boston Tea Party is sometimes necessary when in defense of Liberty. I would stand with Justin Amash in ending Qualified Immunity and gladly sponsor that bill.

Campaign Website: <http://www.mckennon2020.com>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/KerryMcKennon2020/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/McKennon2020>

COVID-19: Our 4% of the world's population has about quarter of its COVID-19 deaths. If we had shut down public spaces, suspended rent and mortgage collections, and given US residents a livable income for a few months, like New Zealand and other countries, we would have saved thousands of lives and billions of dollars. We could easily pay for this by redirecting defense funding.

Voting Rights: 1. Propose a Constitutional Amendment guaranteeing voting rights for all US citizens 18 and up, including convicted felons, and prohibiting states and counties from purging voter rolls. 2. Enact automatic voter registration and a federal database (which I know scares some people). 3. Approval voting makes elections much fairer by avoiding the third-party "spoiler" problem.

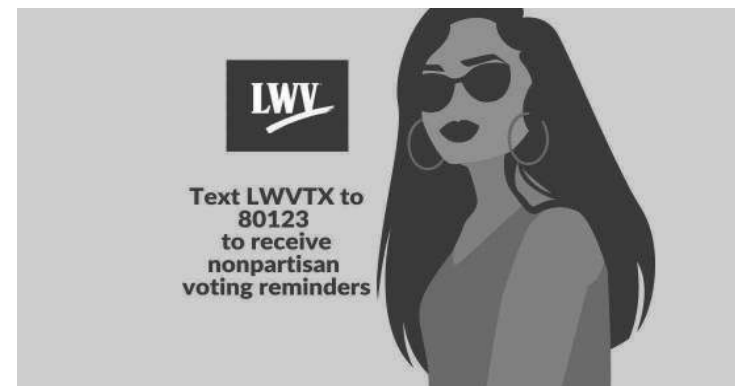
Vouchers: Vouchers are a lazy solution to an avoidable problem. We can have excellent public schools for everyone, and much more, if we cut our national "defense" budget by half. Side note: Texas school districts should prioritize the mission of actually educating children rather than building palatial football stadia.

Two Minute Video Option: <https://www.youtube.com/v/j9BLOvw9dys> I wholeheartedly support the Movement for Black Lives, as do the Green Parties of Texas and the US. Our platform calls for reparations and strong measures to end racially motivated police violence.

Campaign Website: <http://dbcgreentx.net>

Facebook: <https://facebook.com/dbc4senator2020>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/dbcgreentx>



RAILROAD COMMISSIONER

Six-year term. The railroad commissioner is one of the three-member Texas Railroad Commission. The commission has no regulatory authority concerning railroads. Instead, it regulates the oil and gas industry, gas utilities, pipeline safety, safety in the liquefied petroleum gas industry, and surface coal and uranium mining. Current salary: \$137,500
» What does the railroad commissioner do? <https://youtu.be/Fm0BNjPUCic>

» QUESTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Qualifications: What training, experience and background qualify you for this position?

Pipelines: What can the Texas Railroad Commission do to further ensure compliance with pipeline regulations to avoid environmental harm?

Natural Resources: What can the Texas Railroad Commission do to promote the reclamation and reuse of water resources used in fracking operations?

Flaring: What, if any, further regulations or limits are needed to address the impact of flaring on the environment?

» James “Jim” Wright (R)

Candidate has not yet responded.



» Chrysta Castañeda (D)

Qualifications: I have over 30 years of experience in the oil and gas industry, as an engineer and attorney. I know the complex technical and legal issues that face the industry. I will protect our natural resources and environment and keep industry functioning.

Pipelines: The Commission should increase safety and emissions monitoring to end catastrophic failures and eliminate methane leaks. It should implement a more robust information system to know where all smaller intrastate and gathering lines are located and permitted. The legislature must assign oversight authority for pipeline permitting, right-of-way acquisition and condemnation.

Natural Resources: A reclamation and reuse program would ensure less fresh water is used and would reduce the need for disposal wells. Program guide-

lines, informed by experts, could provide best practices for operators. Updated permitting and reporting requirements would ensure operator compliance. To work, oversight must be provided by adequately trained and compensated professionals.

Flaring: If the Railroad Commission would simply enforce the laws on the books, we would dramatically impact greenhouse gasses and pollution. Flaring and venting of natural gas are illegal activities and the Railroad Commission should enforce those laws, which Texans enacted long ago to protect our natural resources and our environment.

Campaign Website: <http://chrystafortexas.com>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ChrystaForTexas/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/ChrystaForTexas>



» Matt Sterett (L)

Qualifications: I run a small Oil & Gas Software company. Clients use the software to forecast well data. Sometimes, that data is from the RRC. I've been in the building & met w/ a few RRC team members—I'm familiar with the organization's digital operations.

Pipelines: Punt the responsibility to the courts. Texas is a litigious state. I think the Texas courts have broadly supported property rights. As a Libertarian, I believe in strong private property rights. I also don't believe in expanding regulators activities. If / when environmental harm is done, I'd rather be settled in a court than a government agency.

Natural Resources: As a Libertarian, I believe in strong private property rights. I also don't believe in expanding regulators activities. If / when environmental harm is done, I'd rather be settled in a court than a government agency.

Flaring: I'm against Flaring on the grounds that it's *wasteful*. We have a limited amount of natural resources. In the past, when we've had to import, it has meant foreign policy that led to wars. Title 3, Sub-chapter B Sec. 91.015 of the TX Natural Resources Code (statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/NR/htm/NR.91.htm) calls to “prevent waste of oil, gas”. The RRC has not upheld this.

Campaign Website: <http://www.mattrrc.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/sterett>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/matthewsterett>



» Katija “Kat” Gruene (G)

Qualifications: 3 decades of project & bus.mgmt. along w/ consensus-based facilitation; 2 decades of experience doing legislative work, coalition building, campaigning, and leading an environmental & social justice movement in a litigious & hostile environment.

Pipelines: First, no new pipelines. Second, properly inspect and review existing permits for compliance and safety. Third, hold corporations accountable for violations including restoration of & restitution in areas already harmed. Fourth, stop taking political contributions from those they are regulating. Fifth, enforce new 2020 regulations, including updating existing pipelines.

Natural Resources: Ban Fracking Period. There is no need for such a highly

wasteful, unsafe, and unsustainable practice. All water used in these operations is no longer potable and because it is chemically altered, scientists believe it may never be returned to the state of water—h₂o. The emerging tech of onsite carrier gas desalination plants could become a valid option if successful.

Flaring: There are solutions, we just need to require them: power oxidation process, flare gas power generation, flare gas reinjection in secondary oil recovery, feedstock for petrochemical plants, LNG, CNG, & a small reactor that inexpensively breaks water and methane into carbon monoxide and hydrogen in the field (syngas), which can then be used for energy and industrial products

Facebook: <https://facebook.com/GreenTXRRC>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/qweekat>

CHIEF JUSTICE, TEXAS SUPREME COURT

Six-year term. A member of the court that hears only civil cases. The Supreme Court issues final decisions on civil and juvenile appeals, issues writs of mandamus/habeas corpus, and has jurisdiction over orders or judgments of trial courts if the Supreme Court determines them important to the jurisprudence of the state.

Base salary: \$170,500

» What does the Texas Supreme Court do? <https://youtu.be/nv6Mu5-Qs08>

» QUESTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Qualifications: What training, experience and background qualify you for this position?

Judicial Selection: Texas is one of the few states that elects judges in partisan elections. What changes, if any, in the judicial selection process would you recommend?

Standards: What changes, if any, do you think are necessary to improve public confidence in the legal profession?

Biases: What training and practices do you recommend for trial judges to guard against implicit biases?

Other Issues: What other issues do you believe will be the most pressing for the Texas Supreme Court?



» Nathan Hecht (R)

Qualifications: Yale BA 1971; SMU JD w/ honors 1974; USNR JAGC 1971-1979 (hon. disch); 1976-1981 Locke firm as soc., ptr; 1981-1986 95th Dist. Ct., Dallas; 1986-1988 5th Ct. of App., Dallas; 1989-2013, Tex. Supreme Ct Justice; Chief Justice 2013-present

Judicial Selection: Voters should decide who their judges are, but in partisan elections, they don't get to, because there are too many judges on the ballot to know their qualifications. It's not voters' fault. Party politics and campaign fundraising are poisonous. Judges must follow the law. Appoint on qualifications, then voters elect to retain based on performance, holding them accountable.

Standards: Judges and lawyers should engage with community leaders to ensure the justice system is seen as fair to all, as the Supreme Court and I did in a "Beyond the Bench Summit" in Dallas. Civics education in schools should be

stronger and more creative. A great example is the South Texas program for students to enact mock trials in a real courtroom, playing different roles.

Biases: Training Texas judges on issues of race and fairness has been required for many years. Implicit bias training is conducted annually for new judges and by the Texas Center for the Judiciary in many other courses and conferences. The Supreme Court's "Beyond the Bench Summit" featured implicit bias training. The Judicial Council that I chair is preparing other training.

Other Issues: The Court's work is completely current and has been since I've been Chief Justice. Its challenges are to continue to guide Texas courts through the pandemic and equip them with all they need to function. In these tight economic times, the Court must help ensure adequate funding for courts, and also for legal aid for the poor, to ensure equal access to justice for all.

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Twitter: <https://twitter.com/NathanLHecht>



» Amy Clark Meachum (D)

Qualifications: As a district court judge for a decade, I have presided over all types of cases heard by the Supreme Court: civil, family and administrative appeals. I am a guest lecturer for ethics, a member of the Public Law Council and an advocate for legal aid.

Judicial Selection: The State should help voters by sending an information packet to each voter and providing that information at polling locations. The packet should contain background information, qualifications, and a statement of judicial philosophy for each candidate. That information would assist voters to make an informed selection and would reduce campaign costs for candidates.

Standards: Texas should increase public membership and participation on the Committee on Disciplinary Rules and Referenda, which recommends proposed changes in legal ethics rules in Texas. Currently, under Texas Gov't Code

§ 81.0872, just 2 of 9 members are public members. Also, members of the public who file grievances should be allowed to participate in some parts of the process.

Biases: We need to require every judge and lawyer in the state to take implicit bias training. This is simple and achievable. When I am elected Chief Justice this fall, we will make this part of the Texas justice system's mission on Day 1. We need to add a pledge of "Equal Justice under the Law" to the lawyer's and judge's oaths. It is past time to create a more fair system.

Other Issues: All Texans should have access to essential legal services. Access to justice is a top priority of mine, and one of the cornerstones of a fair and just society, especially during COVID. The current Court is considering a \$1.2 million cut to legal aid, but rising evictions, layoffs and domestic violence cases are creating a more urgent need for legal services—not less.

Campaign Website: <http://amymeachum.com>

Facebook: <https://facebook.com/JudgeAmyforChiefJustice/>

period of 5 or 10 years. Also, term limits for judges should be seriously considered limiting judges to no more than 2 or 3 terms per court.

Standards: The public needs access to more data from the state bar. The public needs to know how many clients the lawyer has represented in the criminal or civil courts. Many times, clients are not aware of the limited experience a civil lawyer may have in criminal court and a criminal lawyer may have in civil court. Also, malpractice insurance information needs to be disclosed.

Biases: Judges should be required to attend a minimum number of hours of continuing legal education. Information about the courses/classes that the judges



» Mark Ash (L)

Qualifications: I have mostly practiced criminal defense law for the last 27 years. Also, I have represented individuals in civil matters including divorce, property rights and personal injury.

Judicial Selection: Elections for judges should not be based on political party affiliation. At a minimum, judges should be in good standing with the state bar and have actively practiced law in Texas for a minimum time

» Mark Ash (L) *(continued)*

attended need to be available online for the public to view. Also, user friendly access to campaign contributor information needs to be made available to the public.

Other Issues: The Texas Supreme court should continue to make more and

more user friendly legal forms available online for simpler legal matters such as for family, probate and real estate. Links should be provided to trusted websites that give up-to-date information for pro se litigants.

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JUSTICE, TEXAS SUPREME COURT

Six-year term. A member of the court that hears only civil cases. The Supreme Court issues final decisions on civil and juvenile appeals, issues writs of mandamus/habeas corpus, and has jurisdiction over orders or judgments of trial courts if the Supreme Court determines them important to the jurisprudence of the state.

Base salary: \$168,000

» What does the Texas Supreme Court do? <https://youtu.be/nv6Mu5-QsO8>

» QUESTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Qualifications: What training, experience and background qualify you for this position?

Judicial Selection: Texas is one of the few states that elects judges in partisan elections. What changes, if any, in the judicial selection process would you recommend?

Standards: What changes, if any, do you think are necessary to improve public confidence in the legal profession?

Biases: What training and practices do you recommend for trial judges to guard against implicit biases?

Other Issues: What other issues do you believe will be the most pressing for the Texas Supreme Court?

» JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT, PLACE 6



» Jane Bland (R)

Qualifications: I have served more than 20 years at three levels of the state judiciary: as a trial judge, as a justice on the court of appeals, and now on the Supreme Court of Texas. I am board certified in civil trial law and civil appellate law.

Judicial Selection: No change in judicial selection can happen without the support of the voters and their elected representatives. Governor Abbott and the Texas Legislature have formed a bi-partisan commission charged with making recommendations about judicial selection. I look forward to these recommendations, and I support this process.

Standards: We can improve public confidence by respecting and valuing all people who encounter our courts, reducing the cost of resolving disputes through innovation and technology, educating lawyers about best practices, and serving

needs of those who cannot afford a lawyer. I have done that work through leadership positions in the bar and as a community volunteer.

Biases: I recommend that trial judges cultivate standards of excellence by incorporating the best practices of others from all walks of life and foster understanding even in disagreement or when faced with terrible circumstances. The Texas Center for the Judiciary offers excellent courses for judges on understanding implicit bias and improving decision-making.

Other Issues: The Court will continue to work toward advancing justice and the rule of law during the pandemic.

Campaign Website: <http://www.justicejanebland.com/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/judgejanebland/>

Twitter: https://twitter.com/courthouse_mom



» Kathy Cheng (D)

Qualifications: I have almost twenty years of legal experience in areas including complex commercial issues, divorce and probate, tax and real estate cases. I have also served as adjudication officer for the City of Houston for about six years.

Judicial Selection: The beauty of democracy is that citizens can vote for individuals who they believe reflect their values, which in the State of Texas includes the election of judges. If that choice turns out to be a bad choice, being able to vote elected officials out of office is a mechanism to hold said officials accountable. As such, I see no need for change at the present time.

Standards: As time evolves, the means of disseminating the rules and standards for the legal profession shall also evolve. With the ease of digital accessibility, there should be more educational information available to the general public by digital means of the rules and standards governing said profession so that the general population are better informed as to their rights.

Biases: Raising awareness of the existence of implicit bias through regular meeting discussion can debias the years of exposure to cultural stereotypes, narratives and/or systemic policies. In addition, implement a mandatory annual implicit bias training for judges and staff members.

Other Issues: With the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision to refrain from hearing challenges of partisan gerrymandering, partisan gerrymandering cases

» Kathy Cheng (D) *(continued)*

will now go before the Texas Supreme Court, which is an example of how this Court impacts its citizens even though the citizens themselves may never go before this Court.

» JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT, PLACE 7



» Jeff Boyd (R)

Qualifications: My extensive and varied legal career—including 16 years in private practice, 3 years as the deputy attorney general in charge of civil litigation involving the state, and 2 years serving as general counsel and chief of staff for the governor’s office

Judicial Selection: Electing judges creates issues that undermine the public’s confidence in the system, but it also requires judges and judicial candidates to interact with the public. This gives the public the opportunity learn who will best serve to counteract those problems. If we were building the process from scratch, leave it to the public to decide to alter the system.

Standards: We must continue to make the system more accessible by reducing the costs and delays required to resolve common civil disputes. We must do more to promote the legal profession as a means for public service instead of private



» Staci Williams (D)

Qualifications: I am in my second term as Judge of the 101st District Court. The 101st District Court handles primarily commercial, personal injury, medical malpractice, oil and gas, and consumer issues. I have over 27 years of legal experience.

Judicial Selection: Texans have elected judges in partisan elections for more than 100 years. While I believe that this Texas tradition should not be disturbed, a Commission has been established to study options to selecting judges in urban areas by methods other than partisan elections. Recommendations will be made at the end of the year. I look forward to reviewing these alternatives.

Standards: The legal profession needs to get more involved in the community. My judicial outreach program, the Citizens’ Civil Academy (“CCA”), was launched to educate citizens about the civil court system. The CCA explores the

» William Bryan Strange, III (L)

Candidate has not yet responded.

» JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT, PLACE 8



» Brett Busby (R)

Qualifications: Based on my experience as a board-certified appellate lawyer and my record as a fair court of appeals judge, I earned the support of all Democrats and Republicans when the Texas Senate voted unanimously to approve my appointment to the Supreme Court.

Judicial Selection: Our process should select experienced judges who will deliver justice: giving everyone the fair day in court they deserve and ruling impartially based on the law, never imposing their personal or political views to reach a

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profit. And we must continue to promote transparency into the operations and activities of our courts and judges.

Biases: Programs like the “Beyond the Bench” conference the Court sponsored in 2016 can be effective for that purpose. Requiring judges’ participation in such well-designed, high-quality programs as part of their annual continuing-education requirements would be a meaningful step in the right direction.

Other Issues: (1) Ongoing implementation of evolving technology to increase efficiency within the judicial system. (2) Maintaining timely decision-making processes through changes in the Court’s make-up over time. (3) Ensuring continued operations throughout the judicial system in times of natural disasters.

Campaign Website: <http://justicejeffboyd.org>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/JusticeBoydTX>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/JeffBoydTX>

types of cases heard in the civil courts and what happens to a case from the time the case is filed until it is disposed. There have been over 350 graduates.

Biases: I believe they should attend training sessions and evaluate on a monthly basis what practices or procedures can be modified to reduce implicit bias. Every day, the judge should ask him/herself, “would I have treated this litigant differently if he had been a member of my own race?”

Other Issues: The Texas Supreme Court will be faced with what to do about the bar examination. Many states have an apprentice licensing program. We must consider how the Court will ensure safe testing locations and procedures or if the Supreme Court will allow the 2020 graduates to practice without an examination.

Campaign Website: <http://judgestaci.com>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/JudgeStaci/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/JudgeStaci>

desired result. I support the work of the Texas Commission on Judicial Selection, which the Legislature created to report on selection options in 2021.

Standards: Important conversations are taking place across Texas about equality and justice under the law. The Supreme Court’s “Beyond the Bench: Law, Justice, and Communities Summit” developed a toolkit to foster dialogue on real solutions that will enhance public trust in our justice system. I encourage lawyers, judges, and local leaders to use this kit in their communities.

Biases: The Texas Center for the Judiciary provides all new Texas judges with training on recognizing and responding to implicit biases. As part of our ongoing commitment to assure that equal justice under law is a reality for all, the Center

» Brett Busby (R) *(continued)*

also offers continuing education on unconscious processes that affect decisions and best practices for increasing sound decision-making.

Other Issues: As the Court's liaison for access to justice, I champion reforms that help Texans of limited means—including veterans, domestic violence victims, families, and the elderly—get the basic civil legal services they need. Exam-



» Gisela D. Triana (D)

Qualifications: For over 24 yrs, I have served as a judge in Texas: Municipal Ct, JP, County Ct, District Ct, Appellate Ct. I will be the first person on the TXSCT to have served on every lower level court. Most of my 32-yr legal career has been in public service.

Judicial Selection: This is a legitimate discussion if there was a non-partisan way to select judges that Texans could trust. The issue is the timing: after the party that has been in power and benefited from partisan election of judges for decades begins to lose that power. It makes the concern seem self-interested. Texans have clearly shown a preference for electing judges, I support that.

Standards: I believe that in today's racially and politically charged climate, lawyers and judges should be at the forefront and lead by example by requiring mandatory implicit bias training for all members of the Bar. We all have implicit bias

ple: online hearings can significantly increase access and reduce cost, so we are planning how to use them most effectively even after the pandemic.

Campaign Website: <http://www.BrettBusby.com>

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Twitter: <https://twitter.com/BrettBusby>

and some even explicit bias. We need to learn how to identify it and work diligently to overcome it. I try to do this on a daily basis.

Biases: There are several continuing legal education courses that deal with the psychology behind our unconscious bias, how to identify it, and how best to combat it. Such courses should be compulsory for all Bar members. Project Implicit has several online tests that can be startling, yet should also be required for all judges. <https://implicit.harvard.edu/implicit/takeatest.html>

Other Issues: Restoring balance to the Court. Currently, all members are Republican. 7 of the 9 were originally political appointments by a Republican Governor. Our founders were wise to create a jury system that brought people from different walks of life, with different experiences to judge a case. We need diversity of thought on the Court, as well. It makes for better jurisprudence.

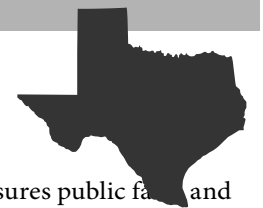
Campaign Website: <http://www.JudgeTriana.com>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/JudgeTriana>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/JusticeTriana>



» VOTING FOR JUDGES IN TEXAS



In some states, judges are chosen by the government. In Texas, judges are chosen by people like you.

Judges make decisions that affect everyone, ranging from someone going to jail, issuing warrants, getting evicted, and owing someone money, to performing marriage ceremonies and deciding whether a couple can adopt a child. Because of the power they hold, all persons elected as judges should know the law and treat people fairly.

To be fair and independent, judges avoid influence from politics and money. They cannot make promises about their decision in a case before they hear and see the evidence.

Because of this, the questions posed to judges in this guide are limited to how they would make the courts better, the need for impartiality in their roles, and how they would make sure the system works for everyone.

What should voters look for when electing judges?

According to the American Bar Association, principles to consider in choosing judges include:

- Judges should uphold the rule of law.
- Judges should be independent and impartial.
- Judges should possess the appropriate temperament and character.
- Judges should possess the appropriate capabilities and credentials.
- Judges and the judiciary should have the confidence of the public.
- The judicial system should be diverse and reflective of the community it serves.

- Judges should perform their duties in a manner that assures public faith and confidence in the court.

How is the Texas court system organized?

The Texas court system is made up of a statewide network of trial courts and appellate courts. Most cases begin in a trial court. In a trial court, judges listen to witnesses, review evidence, hear arguments from lawyers, and give a decision on the case, or a verdict.

There are many types of trial courts. Some only handle criminal cases, ranging from parking tickets to murder. Others only handle civil cases, ranging from disputes between neighbors to multi-million dollar lawsuits. And some handle both.

If one of the parties disagrees with the trial court's decision, they can appeal the decision to an appellate court. Texas has fourteen Courts of Appeals distributed throughout the state.

Then, if a party still disagrees, the next appeal would be to:

- The Court of Criminal Appeals (criminal cases only) or
- The Supreme Court of Texas (civil and juvenile cases).

Appellate courts do not try cases, have juries, or hear witnesses. They review what the lower courts did and decide if the lower courts were correct.

An excellent chart of the Texas Court Structure is available at:

txcourts.gov/media/1448645/court-structure-chart-january-2020.pdf

To learn more, visit txcourts.gov/about-texas-courts

JUSTICE, TEXAS SUPREME COURT | *(continued)*



» Tom Oxford (L)

Qualifications: With almost four decades of legal experience I will bring a broad range of knowledge to the bench. I have had the pleasure of successfully representing Texans before both the Texas Supreme Court and the United States Court of Appeals.

Judicial Selection: The problem is not the partisan nature of the elections. The problem is the massive amount of money given to these candidates by the very firms that will be appearing before them. If a firm wants to give funds to a candidate that is their right. However when that firm appears before that same Judge appropriate conflict of interest standards should be applied.

Standards: An open system that treats all parties with an even hand, regardless of race or socio-economic status would be a good start. Too often a litigant's

chances depend more on who their lawyer is and what connections they have with the judge than on the actual facts of the dispute. An honest recognition of that fact by our profession would be a good start.

Biases: I am not sure how to answer this question. You cannot train bias out of someone, it is part of human nature. We all favor our family over our neighbors, our neighbors over our community and our community over the community down the road. We must recognize our bias and constantly guard against it. A difficult task indeed!

Other Issues: Historically Judges decided the law and juries decided the facts. We have gotten away from that respect for the Jury System in Texas. Too often, when there are honest factual disputes, Judges will overrule the jury and substitute their own opinions for the Jury's. This tension will continue to be a pressing issue.

JUDGE, TEXAS COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS

Six-year term. A member of the court with final judgment in all criminal cases. The court must review all cases in which the death penalty is assessed. It also exercises discretionary review in other criminal cases and issues writs of habeas corpus. Base salary: \$168,000

» What does the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals do?
<https://youtu.be/ilOwfEy4adk>

» QUESTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Qualifications: What training, experience, and background qualify you for this position?

Mental Health: How should the Court of Criminal Appeals address mental health issues of those who come before the court?

Access to Justice: What opportunities are there, if any, to improve the state's indigent defense system in criminal cases?

Other Issues: What other issues do you believe will be most pressing for the Court of Criminal Appeals?

» JUDGE, COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS, PLACE 3



» Bert Richardson (R)

Qualifications: I am the incumbent in this race and have been a State judge for over 20 years. I am a former State and Federal prosecutor that is Board Certified in Criminal Law. I have participated in hundreds of appeals, writs and over 50 capital cases.

Mental Health: Mental health issues are litigated at the trial level. As an appellate judge, in cases with mental health issues, I write legal opinions that determine whether a trial court properly admitted, or excluded mental health evidence. If evidence of mental health is improperly excluded, the Court has the authority to grant a new trial.

Access to Justice: There are opportunities to improve the system, but that re-

quires additional funding and that assistance has to come from the legislature and individual counties, not the courts. In order to attract qualified lawyers to represent indigent defendants, the State will have to compensate those lawyers, or create more public defender offices.

Other Issues: In light of the current COVID crisis, one of the most pressing issues will involve getting the courts across the State back to work. I anticipate several legal challenges will follow the "new normal" including speedy trial claims, jury selection issues, witness testimonies and jury deliberations that result in fair verdicts.

Campaign Website: <http://www.electjudgerichardson.com/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/JudgeBertRichardson/>

Access to Justice: The State Bar should require internships similar to internships in the medical field where newly licensed attorneys work for non-profit organizations, government agencies, and firms doing trial work and appellate work for at least one year prior to becoming licensed. This will give non-profit and pro bono agencies more attorneys to handle an increased caseload.

Other Issues: Disparate sentencing, wrongful convictions, and death penalty cases.

Campaign Website: <http://www.Frizell4Judge.com>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/frizell4txjudge>



» Elizabeth Davis Frizell (D)

Qualifications: I have 27 years of trial experience and 13 years as a private practitioner. I have 20 years of experience as a Judge where I was elected as a Dallas County Criminal Court Judge and Dallas Criminal District Court Judge.

Mental Health: The Court of Criminal Appeals should ensure that trial courts examine mentally ill defendants for their capacity to know the difference between right and wrong as well as whether a mental illness affected their judgment and was properly asserted and applied for sentencing purposes.

» JUDGE, COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS, PLACE 4



» Kevin Patrick Yeary (R)

Qualifications: *Law Clerk- Texas Court of Criminal Appeals 1yr (1992-1992) *Private Lawyer- Criminal/Civil Defense 3yrs (1992-1995) *Appellate Prosecutor- Dallas, Houston, San Antonio 19yrs (1995-2014) *Judge- Texas Court of Criminal Appeals 5+yrs (2015-Present)

Mental Health: The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, along with the Texas Supreme Court, recently established the Texas Judicial Commission on Mental Health “to engage and empower court systems through collaboration, education, and leadership, and to thereby improve the lives of individuals with mental health needs and persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD).”

Access to Justice: The Texas Indigent Defense Commission “provides financial and technical support to counties to develop and maintain quality, cost-effective indigent defense systems that meet the needs of local communities and the requirements of the Constitution and state law.”

Other Issues: The Court must follow the rule of law and ensure that the written law provides the even playing field that all citizens should expect from our judicial system. Judges must not be policy makers, but should instead decide disputes between parties to litigation, guided by reference to the constitution and laws, which are written by others.

Campaign Website: <http://www.judgeyeary.com/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/JudgeKevinPatrickYeary>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/JudgeYeary>



» Tina Clinton (D)

Qualifications: I am the presiding district court judge of the oldest Criminal District Court in Texas. I have 14 years experience as a trial court judge over a felony district, county criminal and municipal courts. I have tried over 400 trials in my career.

Mental Health: The CCA is an appellate court so issues of mental health raised on appeal are the issues that may be addressed. The CCA also funds education programs and grants for judges, lawyers and prosecutors. Expanding the funding for additional education on mental health in criminal cases would make a vast difference in the entire criminal justice system.

Access to Justice: First, review cases of ineffective assistance of counsel

closely. One can be ineffective not merely by not doing something they should have done but also for the lack of time they have based on carrying too heavy of a case load, based on ABA standards. Second, indigent defense attorneys must be given adequate resources for investigators, experts and other tools.

Other Issues: (1) To help answer and educate members of the legislature on where bail reform is currently in Texas. (2) Review staffing needs for additional lawyers on writs that come into the CCA. (3) To consider using differing platforms to increase transparency to the public. (4) Diversify internships to give access to law students that have not traditionally been given access.

Campaign Website: <http://facebook.com/JudgeTinaClinton>

Facebook: <https://facebook.com/JudgeTinaClinton>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/JudgeTClinton>

» JUDGE, COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS, PLACE 9



» David Newell (R)

Qualifications: I serve you as a Judge on the Court of Criminal Appeals. I have over two decades of experience handling and deciding criminal appeals as either a lawyer or a judge. I am board certified in both criminal and criminal appellate law.

Mental Health: It can adopt dynamic standards to allow non-dangerous citizens suffering from mental illness who commit a crime to easily transfer out of the criminal justice system from a jail bed to a hospital bed so they can get the help they deserve. Violent offenders should also be treated for their illnesses, but in a secure facility for the safety of the community.

Access to Justice: Creation of more regional public defender’s offices could help ensure a standard level of competent representation. Additionally, the Court of Criminal Appeals could pro-actively set out minimum standards for representation of indigent defendants in serious cases

Other Issues: Mental health issues, mentioned above, are obviously pressing. Wrongful convictions based upon junk science or police misconduct are also very serious. Additionally, reforming bail practices so that the indigent are not incarcerated for extended periods of time prior to conviction unless there is a flight or safety risk is another significant to address.

Campaign Website: <http://keepjudgenewell.com>

Facebook: <https://facebook.com/judgedavidnewell/>



» Brandon Birmingham (D)

Qualifications: Two-term Felony Trial Court Judge, former Presiding Judge-all Felony District Courts, Dallas. Lead counsel on over 100 jury trials from DWI to Capital Murder. 2 specialty court dockets, visiting professor at SMU Law School.

Mental Health: My experience has taught me how important properly addressing mental health issues are to reducing recidivism. The CCA should help increase training for lawyers on these issues, and where appropriate, work to increase funding for courts across Texas for worthwhile mental health programs.

Access to Justice: Justice shouldn’t depend upon a person’s access to resources-lessons we’ve learned from the Dallas County exonerations. We must

increase funding through the legislature to help counties pay for reasonable and necessary costs of providing indigent defense. Second, we have to establish state-wide best practices to define and manage the case loads of indigent defense counsel.

Other Issues: From allowing a verdict to stand while a lawyer slept in court, to letting politics impact decisions, or reversals by the United States Supreme Court in death penalty cases, rulings from the CCA have contributed to the public’s skepticism of our criminal courts, and illustrate very clearly the need for change. If we don’t learn from history, we are doomed to repeat it.

Campaign Website: <http://JudgeBirmingham.com>

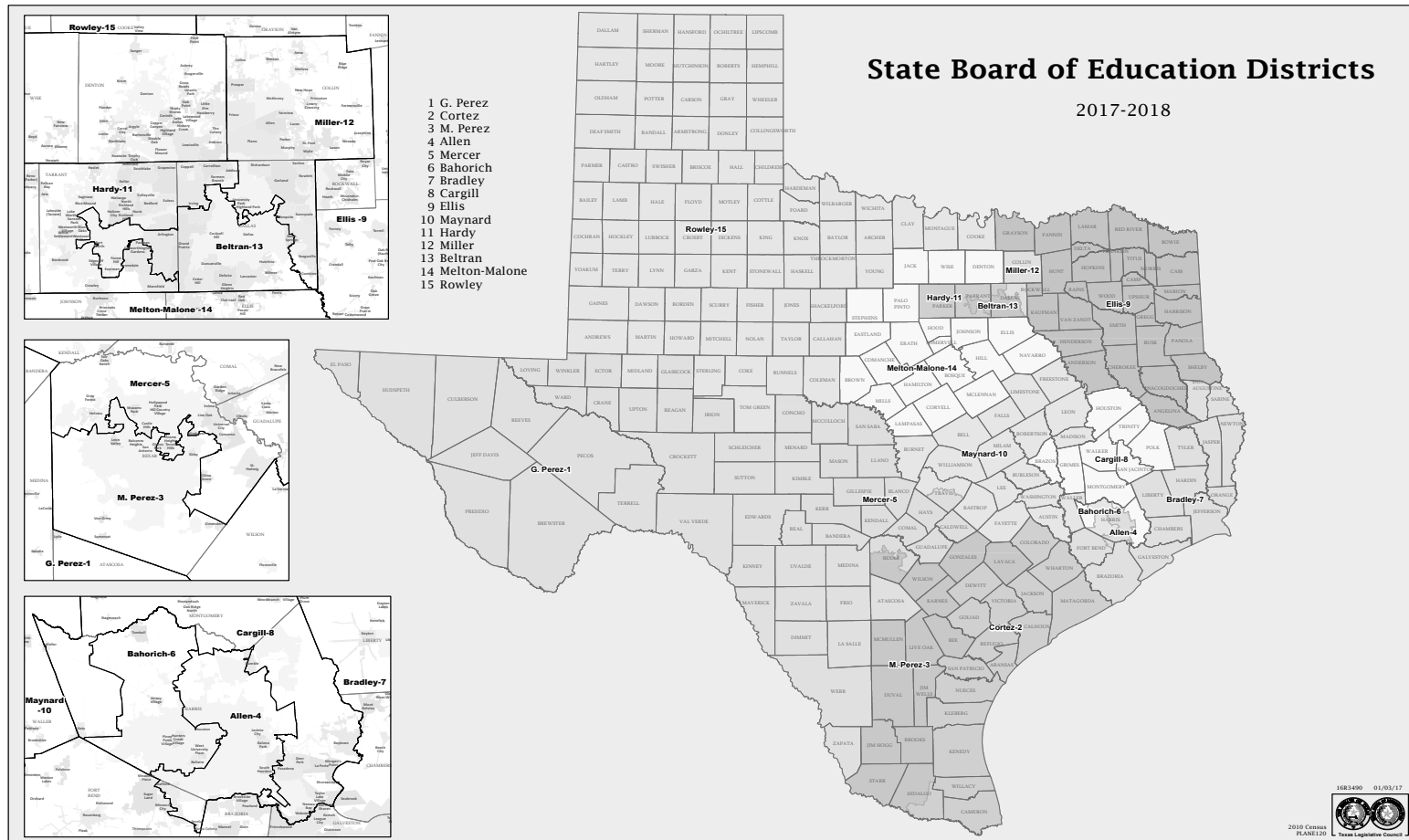
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STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Four-year term. The fifteen-member board decides curriculum, standards, student testing, special education programs, and textbooks for Texas public schools. It also oversees the Permanent School Fund. Members of the board do not receive pay, but are eligible for reimbursement for expenses incurred in the course of official business.

» What does the State Board of Education do?
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3XZK4qoFFIU&feature=youtu.be>



» QUESTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Qualifications: What training, experience and background qualify you for this position?

Curriculum: What is your philosophy for setting curriculum standards?

Civic Education: What changes, if any, do you recommend to prepare students for their civic responsibilities?

Charter Schools: What is your position on charter schools in the public education system?

Other Issues: What other issues do you believe will be the most pressing for the State Board of Education?

» STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 1

» Jennifer Ivey (R)



Qualifications: As a mother of seven children, I have dedicated myself to the education of my children at home. Several of my older children have now transitioned into the public school arena. I will be the common sense voice for children and parents.

Curriculum: I believe in a classical education curriculum that will encourage a strong desire to learn.

Civic Education: I would devote more time towards learning about the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights. It should be covered extensively and students should be allowed to engage in discussions that will inspire interest in civics.

Charter Schools: I firmly believe that Parents are perfectly capable of determining the educational choice for their children. I am a believer of School Choice,

Other Issues: The onset of Covid-19 has brought education to the forefront. Parents were not part of the solution process and the U.S. Constitution has been violated. Parents, teachers and administrator must now move forward with understanding that not all children can learn virtually. In person education should have never stopped.

Campaign Website: <http://Voteforjenniferivey.com>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/jenniferivey2020>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/jivey2020>

» Georgina Perez (D)

Qualifications: I served as an eighth-grade English Language Arts and Reading teacher, department chair, pre-service and new-service teacher mentor, and professional development educator in the Ysleta ISD for more than a decade.

Curriculum: Curriculum standards for (public schools: all schools that receive taxpayer dollars) development, revision, and adoption should always remain in the public realm via the TXSBOE.

Civic Education: We should teach civic engagement in schools and register every eligible student to vote, not just provide voter registration cards in the front office.

Charter Schools: Charters are a duplicative and undue burden on Texas taxpayers, that do not participate in local control or public oversight. Charters are

not required to employ state-certified or credentialed teachers. Charters do not outperform our community ISD schools. Our students and their families deserve to know the truth in charters. Texas taxpayers deserve a break!

Other Issues: In addition to comprehensive and medically accurate sex education as part of our TEKS, we must also teach climate change and the preservation of planet Earth, and inclusive and reflective history. Our students deserve every opportunity; our standards must serve as their passports to reaching every one of their goals.

Campaign Website: <http://www.ginaTXSBOE1.com>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ginaTXSBOE1/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/ginaTXSBOE1>

» STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 4

» Larry McKinzie (D) Unopposed

» STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 5



» Lani Popp (R)

Qualifications: I have spent my life serving Texas students, including working 17 years in public schools (four in inner city schools) and 11 years in private school. I am a passionate champion for children with autism, with expertise in Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Curriculum: I believe curriculum standards should be historically and scientifically accurate and age appropriate. We need to foster critical thinking skills so students are able to actively debate and question instead of being passive recipients of information. We need to discontinue requiring a single process for math calculations and allow students to use a variety of processes.

Civic Education: I believe students should have civics in their junior year in high school. Thus if they are 18 in the fall of their senior year, they will have an adequate understanding of our constitutions and the freedoms, rights, and re-

sponsibilities therein. I believe students should have to demonstrate competence in this area by answering questions from our citizenship test.

Charter Schools: Having worked in an inner-city school district, I can see the benefit of charter schools for students who are more socio-economically disadvantaged. We need to make sure we are properly vetting charter schools, holding them to the same standards as other public schools. We also need to safeguard parent choice and must always promote the academic success of the student.

Other Issues: We need to reform our broken state standardized testing system. Many students with disabilities (high functioning autism, ADHD, students with anxiety, etc.) may be brilliant but not demonstrate that on a test. We need to make sure we are testing basic skills, but we need to look at more than just a test when judging a student's knowledge, abilities, or progress.

Campaign Website: <http://Lanipopp.com>

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» Rebecca Bell-Metereau (D)

Qualifications: PhD. Prof TxSt U, Directs Media Minor; Faculty Senate, was Special Asst. TxSt Pres, Fulbright Scholar, Teaching Awards, 4 books/30 essays, Peace Corps teacher/interpreter Air Force flights Chad, San Marcos P&Z, Bonds Recycling Commissions, HOA board.

Curriculum: Restore respect for teachers, public schools. Teach data-based science, technology, literature, art, music, history, vocations, civics, financial, statistical literacy, sex ed, SpEd, critical thinking. Show leadership, stop costly high-stakes testing, ideological influence on education; listen to students, teachers, parents; find common ground, equity, voice for diversity

Civic Education: Teach history of voting rights, governmental branches, variety of governments, include democracies, etc. variation among counties, states, nations, worldwide, and basic principles of voting, jury duty. Note U.S. ranks 26th in eligible voter participation at 56% in 2016. Use mock debates and voting to develop civil discourse and constructive engagement/register all over-18

Charter Schools: SBOE must use better judgment. I saw SBOE approve a proposal for a charter in a strip mall alongside toxic businesses; luckily Abbott nixed it. Some charters, like Ann Richards school, are great models, admitting by lottery; some charters don't admit all students, siphon tax dollars from public schools, & aren't made to operate by same equitable standards as public schools

Other Issues: Science 2021 must teach scientific method, experimental techniques, peer review, biology and climate science, global warming, pandemics, biology and geology of evolution and latest in DNA research, influence of culture, politics and economics on scientific advancement, with engaging curriculum that offers hands-on experimental design, service learning, relevance of issues.

Campaign Website: <http://voterebecca.com/>

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» Stephanie Berlin (L) Candidate has not yet responded.

» STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 6



» Will Hickman (R)

Qualifications: I have been active in government for over 20 years as a Bellaire Councilman and leadership positions in the party, working closely with many elected officials. I have 5 degrees in engineering, law, and Spanish, and have 3 kids in SBISD schools.

Curriculum: My general philosophy is that each course should be preparing you to do something: building a foundation of reading and math skills at the elementary level for future learning, or preparing for a career, military, or college at the high school level. For each course, I will ask, “What’s next?” Start with existing TEKS and rely on working groups of educators and parents.

Civic Education: Each student should graduate high school with a basic knowledge of US and Texas History. How did we get here? What was the founding fathers’ design? In addition, they should know the roles of the branches of government, and how each functions. As adults, they can then form their own views of the best direction for the federal, state, and local government.



» Michelle Palmer (D)

Qualifications: I am the only teacher running for this education position. I have taught English, Math, and Social Studies and am therefore very familiar with the curricula used in Texas. Because of this, I will be ready on day one to jump in and fix the problems.

Curriculum: I want my students to have the most fact-based curriculum possible. Currently the Health curriculum, teaches rape in a way that blames the victim. The US History curriculum mostly ignores Women’s History, as well as African- American, Mexican-American, Asian-American, and Native American History. The science curriculum does not even mention climate change.

Civic Education: As a government teacher, I make certain to teach civics to all of my students. We need to add civics to the government curriculum so that ALL government teachers do the same. -making certain students know how long the ballot is in Texas -making certain they understand how to research candidates -making certain students know how to use the voting machine



» Whitney Bilyeu (L)

Qualifications: I was a public school educator for 20 years. I hold a Bachelor’s Degree, and two Master’s Degrees in Urban Education, Curriculum & Instruction, and Educational Leadership. I held various certifications, including Principalship.

Curriculum: Education should be focused on skills that are marketable and beneficial to the students and their community. Curriculum standards should account for knowledge, skills, and proficiencies that are best suited for a student’s interests and aptitudes, depending on their plans for the future.

Civic Education: Civics education was always been something I am passionate about. However, to me, the first lessons in civics should be independent thinking, recognizing and understanding bias, and critical reasoning. Once students are able to reason, think independently, and filter out bias, they can better understand history, economic systems, and politics.

Charter Schools: I am a strong proponent of school choice. Students and their parents should be able to seek educational options that best suit their needs. Government schools are not the best source of education, and students should not be limited to centralized government school systems.

Other Issues: The recent pandemic exposed weaknesses in the traditional

Charter Schools: I am in favor of school choice. Each family should have the option to choose what is best for their kids: home school, private, charter, magnet, or zoned ISD. I am in favor of high quality charters. Each school that accepts public funding should be subject to the same accountability standards. As kids vote with their feet, poor performing charters will lose students.

Other Issues: Out of the 5.4 million Texas students, only 54% are career, college, or military ready. That means 46% are not! We need each 8th grader to develop a “flight plan.” What are they good at? What do they enjoy? What are their dreams? Then customize a high school experience to get them there. High school is no longer for developing standardized factory workers.

Campaign Website: <http://willhickmancampaign.com>

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Charter Schools: I believe that Charter schools should have to follow the same rules (without loopholes) that public schools have to follow. I vow to vote against every new charter school system application that comes before the Board. In addition, I would advocate for the Texas State Legislature to concentrate funding on public schools.

Other Issues: Textbook adoption will be important since Texas has so much buying power and therefore controls textbooks for much of the country. I also believe that Health should be added to the required courses for high school graduation. Most Texas districts require it but due to the high teen pregnancy rate and high STI rate, Texas should require it as a state.

Campaign Website: <http://palmerfortexased.com/>

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school system. More people are seeing that it does not have to be the way we have been conditioned to expect it. Government schools will have to do a better job of convincing the public that they are necessary, and worthy of the funding they receive.



» STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 8



» Audrey Young (R)

Qualifications: Certified Educator who merges over 27 years of experience leading public education students, with a high level of proficiency in implementing effective programs, and a leader with a servant's heart and a desire to achieve success for all stakeholders

Curriculum: As an Instructional Leader that subscribes to a balance of motivational and targeted instruction methodologies, I believe that as part of enhancing curricula while focusing on student outcomes, it is imperative to integrate best practices, research, cultural and educational needs of students and their communities.

» **Audra Berry (L)** Candidate has not yet responded.

» STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 9

» **Keven M. Ellis (R)** Candidate has not yet responded.

» STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 10



» Tom Maynard (R)

Qualifications: State Board of Education, eight years, chairing Instruction and School Finance/Permanent School Fund Committees. Classroom teacher, 13 years; Texas FFA Executive Director, 17 years; Local school board trustee, six years; Public school parent of five.

Curriculum: Curriculum standards, called Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills, must be essential to the mission of public education and the overall outcome of the course; they must be statutorily compliant where statutes apply, factual, clearly stated and measurable, challenging yet developmentally appropriate and deliverable—taught to depth and mastery—within a 180-day school year.

Civic Education: The board streamlined the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for social studies in 2018 to allow for more focus and depth. The TEKS had been voluminous, making it difficult to teach to much depth. Our standards are



» Marsha Burnett-Webster (D)

Qualifications: I am a career educator with 30 years of teaching and administration experience in middle schools, high schools, and colleges. I know what students need to be successful and I want a SBOE that meets those needs. I am ready to be their advocate.

Curriculum: Students must receive an education that prepares them for the future. That should be the basis for setting curriculum standards. Too often, many (especially non-educators) believe that standardized testing validates whether students have learned the material they need for the future. That is a false narrative. Students learn differently. Our standards must reflect that.

Civic Education: School students should be required to take 'civics' classes so that they better understand how local, state, and federal governments work. As part of this training, visits to (or with) governmental entities must be included in the curriculum. Additionally, students should complete community service projects before graduation to reinforce their civic responsibility.

Civic Education: I would offer the suggestion to include civics education course of study between 7 through 12th grade added to the student transcript (as is CPR and Traumatic Injury).

Charter Schools: I believe in increasing transparency of charter school operations, including enrollment and expulsion practices.

Other Issues: (a) Sustained funding of new school finance system (b) Improve resources for mental health for students, school security and student safety (c) Accountability rating system that places a large emphasis on local plans that better reflect the vast diversity of their represented communities

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» **Brenda Davis (D)** Candidate has not yet responded.

robust and when delivered with vigor and fidelity provide a solid grounding in founding principles and foster patriotism and pride in our country.

Charter Schools: Charter schools are public schools within the state's constitutional framework. Governance, financial structures and to an extent, accountability measures are different. Curriculum standards and assessments are the same. Charter schools are not a panacea for education issues, but are an option for families. Whether we have charter schools is a question for the Legislature.

Other Issues: Under the current conditions, providing support for the advances promulgated in HB3 in the last session is critical. Fiscal issues created by the pandemic has prompted the board to proposed an additional \$300 million distribution to alleviate fiscal pressure for FY 2021. We must maximize our distribution for the next biennium without compromising future distributions.

Campaign Website: <http://www.maynardfortexas.com>

Charter Schools: While philosophically I do not have objections to the operation of charter schools, I do have an issue when much needed taxpayer money is diverted from public schools and given to charter schools (or private schools) with little to no accountability or taxpayer oversight. Such actions destroy public schools and prevent students from getting the education they deserve.

Other Issues: My priorities would focus on developing curriculums that are predicated on proven, fact-based methodologies. I would push to increase and enhanced STEM offerings, revive much needed vocational and industrial arts programs, and ensure the arts and humanities programs receive greater emphasis. I would support limits on class size to maximize student learning opportunities.

Campaign Website: <http://www.webstertxsboe10.com/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Dr-Marsha-Burnett-Webster-for-Texas-State-Board-of-Education-District-10-111737920309467/>



» Trip Seibold (L)

Qualifications: Performed a two year scientific study comparing block scheduling to traditional scheduling. Served as a guest teacher in high school and elementary classrooms. Served on a Citizen's Bond Committee for Round Rock ISD. Junior Achievement volunteer.

Curriculum: Remove at least three times as many entries in the TEKS as what is being added. The purpose of this is to give our educators the freedom to be creative in their classroom instruction. Areas to enhance our standards are in mental health education, financial literacy, life skills, and logical thinking for every student. Teaching logic in 9th grade geometry is too late.

Civic Education: I recommend teaching a broader view of civics. This includes teaching government and economic models which are used elsewhere in the world. How and why do they differ from the U.S.? Emphasizing the importance of voting and of rational, civil, and peaceful discourse. Teaching about many po-

» STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 14

» Sue Melton-Malone (R) Candidate has not yet responded.



» Greg Alvord (D)

Qualifications: Greg Alvord has a background in science and mathematics. A BA in Physics and Mathematics, graduate work in Physics and Astrophysics, MS in Computer Science. Greg has taught high school and served on a local school board for twelve years.

Curriculum: Greg admires the learning by design approach to curriculum. The Texas curriculum is a collection unfocused material presented with the hope that the student will see the big picture as a result. The needs of society have changed over the past thirty years, but little has changed in the Texas curriculum. Our students will be using their education over the next 30 years.

Civic Education: Greg believes that civic responsibility and processes should be part of Texas Education. This includes understanding their own local government and well as the state and federal systems. Let's not forget that local homeowners associations and water districts have impact on local life also.

» STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 15



» Jay Johnson (R)

Qualifications: 16 years as trustee Pampa ISD

Charter Schools: Charter schools are currently the only public option in Texas for students in districts that continue to perform poorly.

» John Betancourt (D)

Qualifications: Former Trustee, At-Large, Amarillo ISD Board of Trustees President, Panhandle Area Association of School Board for Region 16 Region 5A State Director, Mexican American School Board Association Region 16 Rep., TASB Legislative Advisory Committee

Curriculum: Setting curriculum standards is a very vital and important role that the SBOE is responsible for. I believe we should make certain that every Texas Student receives a quality educational experience while ensuring that we go above and beyond in implementing those standards in the TEKS and adopting textbooks/instructional materials that will assist.

Civic Education: We should look at areas of improvement and ensure that ev-

litical parties within the U.S. (major & more minor). Ensure recent history is taught.

Charter Schools: Public schools behave like they're in fear and competition with charters. Excessive funds are spent building public school palaces. These funds could pay teachers. Lawmakers need to create a fairer system where public school districts don't behave worried. Charter schools are vital for students & parents to have school choice, but not at the expense of public schools.

Other Issues: Providing more student engagement and ownership over their own education through increased elective choices and offerings. Approving textbooks which will help our society heal from racism. Working with local school districts to better serve the needs of special education students. Moving away from abstinence only sex education. Broaden or eliminate public sex ed.

Campaign Website: <http://www.facebook.com/TexasTeachPeace>

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Charter Schools: The promise of better outcomes from charter schools has not been met. There is no statistically significant difference between charter and public schools according to TEA published data. The promise of more innovation from charter schools has not been met. Charter schools are the least accountability of any kind of providers of service to the state.

Other Issues: The process of review and approval of educational material needs to be modernized. In a world changing as rapidly as ours a two year delay between curriculum change and adoption available to school districts misses by a wide mark. A personal finance track needs to exist. As does more practical uses of statistics and data visualization.

Campaign Website: <http://greg4tx.com>

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Other Issues: Local districts should have more control on decisions impacting their students

ery High School in Texas provides civic learning to students. In addition to providing a pathway to register to vote for students who are 18 or close to 18 years of age.

Charter Schools: I believe that we should spend more public dollars on Texas Public Schools. I am not against charter schools but do believe that public education and charter schools should be held to the same standards and accountability measures.

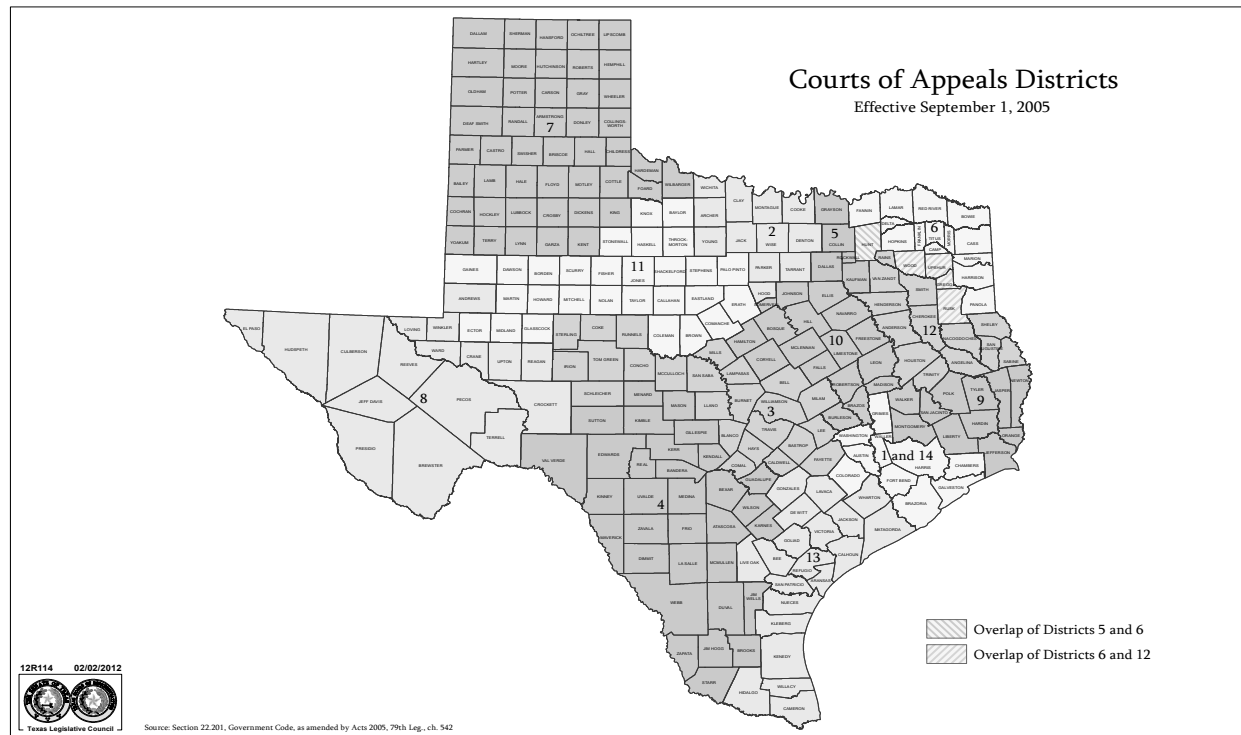
Other Issues: Implementation of African-american, Mexican-american, Asian-american, Indigenous-american, sex-education, and science base curriculum for all public schools.

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Registered voters without a photo ID, who cannot reasonably obtain one, may sign a form (described below) and present the original or a copy of one of the following documents with the voter’s name and address to vote a regular ballot:

- Texas voter registration card
- Certified birth certificate
- Current utility bill
- Bank statement
- Government check
- Paycheck
- Any other government document such as an out-of-state driver license or expired Texas driver license

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- Lack of transportation
- Disability or illness
- Lack of birth certificate or other documents needed to obtain an acceptable form of photo ID
- Work schedule
- Family responsibilities
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