



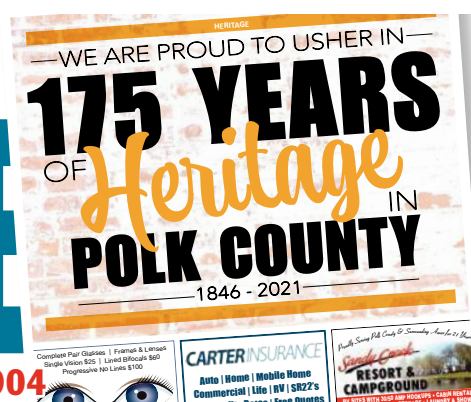
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Naskila closing due to COVID

From Staff Reports

Naskila Gaming has decided to temporarily halt operations once again due to the coronavirus pandemic. According to a post Thursday on social media, the gaming center in Polk County will close at midnight Dec. 10 and plans to reopen Jan. 16, 2021 at 10 a.m.

"This is just to keep the community safe — our patrons, our employees safe from the virus," Alabama-Coushatta communications director Christi Sullivan said.

Sullivan said the closure is not related to an outbreak in the gaming center, but rather one to mitigate the spread.

"Not at Naskila. Our numbers have risen, just as they have everywhere else, on the reservation. It is exactly how it is in Livingston and Woodville. All of the numbers are on the rise. This is exactly how we have done

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White takes proposed bills to task

By Chris Edwards
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State Representative James White (R-Hillister) recently spoke out about some bill proposals up for consideration in the next legislation.

The 87th Texas Legislature will not gavel in until January of 2021, but state lawmakers have had the opportunity to file bills since November. White recently took three of the proposed bills to task and called them "assaults on liberty."

The bills in question, House Bill 238, HB 185 and HB 196, all filed by Rep. Terry Meza (D-Irving) primarily deal with firearms-related issues, and White, in a news release, said the bills are "disrespectful, immoral and unconstitutional to freedom-loving and law-abiding Texans from the Sabine to the trans-Pecos; from the Texas Panhandle to the South Texas Plain."

HB 238, looks to repeal the state firearms pre-emption law and allow local governments to restrict guns as they please. HB 185,

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Two local men charged with murder

From Staff Reports

The Polk County Sheriff's Department and Texas Rangers have made two arrests in the Tuesday death of a Livingston man.

On the morning of Dec. 8, the Polk County Sheriff's Office received an emergency call in reference to a deceased male found on Lone Wolf Road, just off of FM 1988 East in Polk County.

The victim was identified as 19-year-old Brodrick Anthony Cooper of Livingston.

Sheriff's office investigators, along with Texas Ranger Ryan Clendenen, responded to the scene. The scene was processed and evidence was collected. Justice of the Peace Darrell Longino conducted the inquest and ordered an autopsy to be performed by the Harris County Medical Examiner's Office.

Once investigators made a positive identification of the deceased, they were able to start tracking his whereabouts and with whom he had associated within the last 24 hours.

Investigators developed two suspects during the investigation. They were identified as 35-year-old Jameous O'Neal Smith and 18-year-old Mark Anthony Jacobs, both from Livingston.

Both Smith and Jacobs were arrested on their charges. During their arrest and search of their residences, authorities say evidence was found linking both suspects to the crime.

The two were also booked into the Polk County Jail Wednesday. Smith for a felon in possession of a firearm and Jacobs for possession of marijuana.

They were interviewed by investigators and confessed to the murder of Cooper, as well as robbing him afterward. The victim's property was



Jameous O'Neal Smith **Mark Anthony Jacobs**

recovered during the investigation, along with the murder weapon.

Smith and Jacobs are currently in the Polk County Jail charged with capital murder. Each had bond set at \$500,000.

The Polk County Sheriff's Office and the Texas Rangers would like to send their appreciation to the large amount of information received from numerous individuals regarding the investigation.

Goodrich to gain businesses

By Brian Besch
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The Goodrich City Council heard from a few new startups that plan to be operational in a few months.

A representative for a potential "mud park" was in attendance, asking council members to extend water and sewer for restrooms they will have on the premises. There are three women's and three men's facilities. The park will also have hookups for recreational vehicles.

The plan for now is that the park operates only on weekends — Friday through Sunday. It is expected the park would use a maximum of 7,000-10,000 gallons of water per weekend. Water will not be used to create mud during dry spells. The business serves as an "off-road park" without the benefit of rain.

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Council annexes Bauer property

By Jason Chlapak
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A local business is now part of the city of Livingston.

Bauer Carpet Cleaning & Restoration, LLC was annexed into Livingston after city council unanimously approved the annexation of the 0.343 acre tract that the business is located on during last Tuesday's monthly city council meeting. The address of Bauer Carpet Cleaning & Restoration is 2810 US Hwy 190 West, Livingston, and the owners and operators of the business are Jose and Beatriz Bauer.

"It's a win-win," Livingston city manager Bill Wiggins said. "City utilities will be great for them and it gives us another business inside the city limits."

Council held a public hearing for the annexation, but there was no comment. Another public hearing is set for the January city council meeting as well.

This public hearing involves a residence on 1958 South Washington Avenue. The next city council meeting will take place at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 11.

"(The structure in question) is an old and dilapidated house," Wiggins said. "We'll show the pictures of the house and why it's unsafe, and anyone who wants to come and speak about the house is

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Photo by Brian Besch | PCE
Leigh and DeWayne Wilson (back row, left to right), along with Walter Wilson, Lajuana Lattimore and Patricia Mott (front row, left to right) purchased 100 bags of oranges and over 3,000 candy canes to honor Walter's wife, Patsy, who passed a week ago.

PATSY WILSON CITRUS DRIVE

Family honors former volunteer by providing produce to community

By Brian Besch
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Former Center of Hope volunteer Patsy Wilson would have been pleased to see families in need receiving bags of oranges during the holidays.

Patsy's family decided to honor her after she passed Sunday. They are providing many in the area with one of her favorite memories.

"Growing up in Tyler, her favorite thing at Christmas time was she would get an orange," Patsy's daughter-in-law Leigh Wilson said. "It was outside the means of her family's budget, but it was always their treasure at Christmas. She loved it and would always bring Cuties over here (to Center of Hope) at Christmas time."

The family decided to buy as many of the small oranges as possible, bring-



Patsy Wilson

ing them to Center of Hope for families to enjoy. They purchased 112 bags of Cuties from Walmart and 3,024 candy canes.

"We were actually thinking that maybe we would work with the Center of Hope and start an annual citrus drive for the mission Christmas time — the Patsy Wilson Citrus Drive,"

Leigh said.

Patsy retired in 2003 and volunteered at Center of Hope. She was part of move to the center's current location and is remembered as a compassionate person who helped others. Always involved in the community, her focus was preventing childhood hunger and spreading joy.

The family is asking that all expressions of sympathy for Patsy be sent to the Center of Hope to continue her legacy. They are challenging all who are able to help during the holidays.

"She had a heart for single parents struggling to feed their babies," daughter Lajuana Lattimore said of Patsy. "She made sure that every mother that needed food for her babies got it."

Patsy worked in food service in the Humble In-

dependent School District for 37 years. She was a dietitian and constructed menus for school children.

"This is the way that we are expressing our grief for her, because this would just freak her out," Leigh said. "She would be like a kid in a candy store."

For families to receive donations by Christmas, the Center of Hope is asking that blessings of food or funds are submitted as soon as possible. The center is open Tuesdays and Thursdays 1-3:30 p.m.

Those hoping to submit produce are encouraged drop off items at 12:30 p.m. for 1 p.m. distributions. Center of Hope serves approximately 100 families on each of the two days per week.

The center is located at 600 South Washington in Livingston and may be reached at 936-327-7634.

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SUN 12/13

61/38
Mostly sunny
Winds WNW 6 mph
Chance of rain 10%.
Humidity 76%

MON 12/14

62/38
Sunny
Winds NW 6 mph
Chance of rain 5%.
Humidity 90%

TUE 12/15

65/39
Sunny
Winds W 5 mph
Chance of rain 5%.
Humidity 89%

WED 12/16

68/43
Sunny
Winds WSW 3 mph
Chance of rain 5%.
Humidity 87%

THU 12/17

69/50
Mostly sunny
Winds S 6 mph
Chance of rain 15%.
Humidity 90%

FRI 12/18

68/51
Showers
Winds S 6 mph
Chance of rain 40%.
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Local Salvation Army requesting donations

Special to the Enterprise

Salvation Army bell ringers are back at Walmart this year requesting funds to help those struggling in our community. They appreciate all the generous people who have donated so far. All of the money that is collected locally stays here in Polk County and is administered

by local volunteers to help with utility bills and other needs that arise. Last year 265 families were served. The bell ringing takes place at Walmart and began on Friday, Nov. 27 and rings through Tuesday Dec. 22 every day except Wednesdays and Sundays. There are stations at each of the front entrances. Safety protocol

is being implemented to insure the safety of bell ringers and donors. The Salvation Army organization annually helps more than 23 million Americans overcome poverty, addiction, and economic hardships through a range of social services. By providing food for the hungry, emergency relief for disaster survivors,

rehabilitation for those suffering from drug and alcohol abuse, and clothing and shelter for people in need, The Salvation Army is doing the most good at 7600 centers of operation around the country. In the first-ever listing “America’s Favorite Charities” by The Chronicle of Philanthropy, The Salvation Army ranked as the country’s largest privately funded, direct-service nonprofit. The funds raised through the



Photo courtesy of Susan Muzny
Linda Norrell is a volunteer for the Salvation Army.

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Business Spotlight • Ribbon Cutting in Livingston



Members of the Polk County Chamber of commerce, owner Laketra Miles, and staff members Christ Miles, Sonya, Janette Kennedy, Tonya Jones, and Donita Stephens participate in a ribbon cutting celebrating the opening of The Food Lady café and Catering. They are located at 795 N Washington Livingston, Tx 77351. The Food Lady Café is open Tues and Wed 11-5, Thursday and Friday 11-6, and Sat 10:30-3. -Madison Bland Photo

Business Spotlight • Ribbon Cutting in Livingston



Members of the Polk County Chamber of Commerce, owner Suzanne Kerr, and friends and family Stephanie Kerr, Thomas D’Augelli, Jordan, D’Augelli, participate in a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony celebrating The Yellow Cottage Farm. Also participating is vendors Hecho Con Amor, Orchard of Livingston, Beautiful Banks Creation, Chris’ Creations, Isabel Gobel Design, That Country Gourmet, Ole Blue, and American Rebel. The Yellow Cottage Farm is located at 7964 Hwy 146 Livingston Tx, 77351. They are open Mon-Sun 10-5. -Madison Bland Photo



Photo by Jason Chlapek | PCE

SHOPPING TIL THEY DROP

From left, Rotary Club of Livingston members Brandon Wigent, Blair McDonald and Joe Roth get their Empty Stocking Christmas shopping done at Walmart last week. Empty Stocking is the club’s main service project during the Christmas season.



Photo contributed by Ann Zeigler

DRIVE-BY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Polk County’s foster children and foster parents were treated to a drive-by Christmas party Dec. 10, at the First Baptist Church of Livingston. The party was sponsored by the Polk County Child Welfare Board, an advisory group to the Polk County Protective Services, but they were supported by many of Santa’s helpers. The Livingston Chapter of the San Jacinto High Rollers provided bicycle and wagon gifts, as well as their services during the drive-by. Members of the Big Sandy High School National Honor Society and Student Council donated their services, Big Sandy Elementary donated gifts, and Hooks N Needles donated handmade gifts. Santa provided waves from his Harley at a safe distance. Pictured above are Elmer May of the Livingston Chapter Of San Jacinto High Rollers), Santa and Anita Holse of the Polk County Child Welfare Board.



Photo by Kim Brown

GUEST SPEAKER

Judy Shipp was the guest speaker during a recent Livingston Lions Club meeting, sharing information about her many trips to Ukraine with Michael Gott International. She told the members about their many ministries that bring the gospel to the war-ravaged regions of the country. Pictured are (L-R) Lion President Josh McMahon, Shipp and Lion Joseph Pedigo.



ANNOUNCEMENT OF TEMPORARY CLOSURE

In the interest of the health and safety of our guests, Team Members and our community, Naskila Gaming will be closing December 10th, at midnight with a scheduled reopening date of January 16th at 9:00am. We appreciate your support and patience during this time and encourage you to follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter for important updates.

Sincerely,
Naskila Management

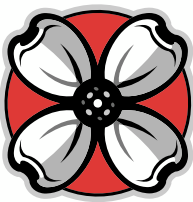




Photo taken by Glenn Bethune

The lights on the No. 5 train in downtown Livingston still glimmer in the early morning light Friday morning.



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CHRISTMAS LIGHTS IN POLK COUNTY
Cedar Point Subdivision in Livingston.



Sneak a Peek at Santa!

Drive your kids through our covered area
Saturday, December 19 from 10am-1pm
112 West Polk Street, Livingston, Texas

Santa wants to wave and let all the kids know Christmas is coming! Santa and his helpers will hand out treats as you drive through with your little ones.

*For safety reasons, everyone will have to remain in their vehicles. This is a drive-thru event.

First State Bank will close Thursday, December 24th at 2pm and reopen for business Monday, December 28th.

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Empty Stocking Program

Holiday Toy Drive!

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Please drop off your new or almost-new unwrapped toy donations at the

Empty Stocking Program office
1112 Dogwood | Livingston | 936-327-1166

Polk County Enterprise office
100 E Calhoun St | Livingston | 936-327-4357

Money donations may also be made to the
Empty Stocking Fund at First National Bank
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The Empty Stocking Program, sponsored by the Livingston Interagency Council, is a network of social service agencies that provide various forms of assistance throughout the county. The Empty Stocking Program is counting on the support of the community to serve needy families in our area.

For more information, call
Empty Stocking Program office at (936) 327-1166

LIFE TRIBUTES

Ann O'Quinn Powell

LIVINGSTON — Funeral services for Ann O'Quinn Powell, 79, of Yoakum, Texas will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 14, 2020, in the Cochran Funeral Home Chapel in Livingston, Texas, with Bro. Steve Bowman officiating. Interment will follow in Camp Ruby Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 13, at Cochran Funeral Home in Livingston.

Mrs. Powell was born April 11, 1941 in Livingston, Texas, to George Asa O'Quinn and Lillian (Murphy) O'Quinn, and passed away Dec. 7, 2020 in Victoria, Texas. She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Forrest Powell Jr.; brother, George Herman O'Quinn; sister, Sue Seal and nephew, Larry Seal.

She is survived by her daughter, Sharon Wood and husband Stevie of Yoakum, Texas; son, Steve Powell and wife Toni of Fort Worth, Texas; daughter, Karina Powell of Temple, Texas; grandchildren, Jeff Wood and wife Kandi, Ashtin Kepsel and husband Richie, Micayla Meler and husband Justin, Tyler Powell, Jeremy Wood and girlfriend Megan, Cailin Powell, Jordan Powell, Ashley London and husband Mike, Kayla Muniz and her wife Kara, and Kara



ANN O'QUINN POWELL
... services this Monday

Cartwright and husband Sam; great-grandchildren, Ryder Kepsel, Carrie Meler, Jadon Meler, Lynnlea Wood and Maverick Kepsel; sister, Linda Nell Workman; niece, Cheryl Ritchey and husband Robert; nephews, Keith Heitman and wife Jane, Bryan Seal and wife Marjie, and Stephen Seal and wife Carolyn; and special friends, Jackie Whitis and Dixie Kaye; along with numerous other relatives and friends.

Pallbearers are her grandchildren.

Cochran Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. To sign the online guestbook, visit www.cochranfh.com.

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Minnie Lee Walling

CORRIGAN — Graveside services for Minnie Lee Walling, 86, of Trinity were held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2020, in Carlisle Cemetery in Trinity, Texas. Visitation was held from 11-12 at Corrigan Funeral Home, prior to the service.

Minnie was born July 11, 1934 in Natural Bridge, Ala., to the late Marion and Mariah Jane (Barton) Ward, and passed away on Monday, Dec. 7, 2020, in Conroe, Texas.

She was a loving and devoted mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Minnie was a Baptist by faith and loved the Lord with all her heart. Her favorite pastime was being outdoors working with her flowers. She also enjoyed

baking cakes and pies for her neighbors. Her best dish of all was "Mexican cornbread" and was always baked with lots of love as the main ingredient.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Calvin Walling; four brothers and one sister.

Minnie is survived by her daughters, Carrie Denman and husband Terry of Trinity, Beverly Walling Wood and husband Neal of Conroe; son, Calvin Walling and wife Donna of Center, Ala.; eight grandchildren and numerous great-great grandchildren and other relatives and friends.

Corrigan Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Herbert Edward "Ed" Turk

LIVINGSTON — Herbert Edward "Ed" Turk, age 75 years, entered Heaven's gates on Dec. 7, 2020 in Livingston, Texas after a lengthy battle with Parkinson's disease.

Ed was born on March 11, 1945 in Itasca, Texas, to Herbert Cooper Turk and Mary Faye (Cypert) Turk. He spent his early years on a cotton farm in rural Hill County. The family moved to Jal, N.M. when he was 5. He loved telling his grandchildren stories about growing up in an early gas field town on the open range desert of southeastern New Mexico.

After graduating from Jal High School in 1963, Ed moved to Fort Worth to attend drafting school and began working at Tri County Electric Cooperative in Azle, Texas. While he only stayed at the co-op for a few years, this began a career in rural electrification that spanned nearly 45 years.

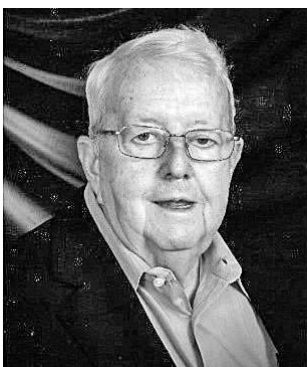
Ed joined Cornelius-Pierce Consulting Engineers in 1975 and retired as a partner in 2007. More than the work, Ed enjoyed the people that he worked with at C-PCE and the electric cooperatives of East Texas. He made many lifelong friends at the cooperatives.

In February of 1968 Ed married the love of his life, Bobbie Jo (Harrison) Turk. They made their home in Benbrook, Texas until moving to Center, Texas to be closer to their grandchildren.

Ed was active in Benbrook United Methodist Church before moving to Center. He enjoyed hunting, fishing trips to New Mexico and spending time with his grandchildren, who knew him as "Be-Be."

Ed is preceded in death by his mother, father and wife of 50 years.

In addition to a host of extended family, Ed is survived by: son, Doug Turk and wife Angie of Livings-



HERBERT EDWARD "ED" TURK
... graveside service Saturday

ton; grandchildren, Maggie Turk and Eddie Turk of Livingston; sister, Wanda Lou Cook of San Angelo; brother-in-law, Dr. David Harrison and wife Dr. Kelly Harrison, of Blacksburg, Va.; niece, Prissy (Cook) McCollum and husband Steve of San Angelo; nephews, John David Cook of San Angelo, Nathan Harrison and wife Stephanie, of Christiansburg, Va., K.C. Harrison and fiancée Catherine Heindel of Blacksburg, Va.; great-nieces, Lauren McCollum of San Antonio and Harper Harrison of Christiansburg; great-nephew, Liam Edward Harrison of Christiansburg.

An outdoor funeral service was held graveside at Hillcrest Garden of Memory in Hillsboro, Texas at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 12. An outdoor viewing and visitation began at 1 p.m. at the cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Benbrook United Methodist Church in Benbrook, Texas or First United Methodist Church of Center, Texas.

Pallbearers were Larry Warren, Michael Warren, Bart Bauer, Steve Waters, Jack Vickers and Mark Healer.

Arrangements were under the direction of Cochran Funeral Home in Livingston,

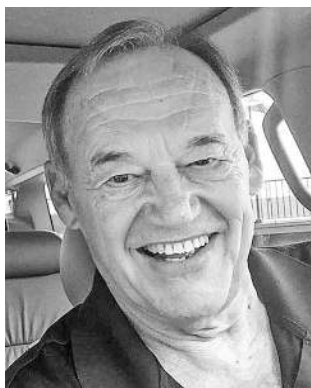
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Donald Galloway

Donald Galloway was born in Houston, Texas at the St. Joseph's Hospital on December 26, 1941. He was the son of Garnet and Geneva Galloway. He grew up in Livingston, attending Livingston schools and was an important part of the 1960 Graduation Class. Donald joined the Air Force after graduation. When discharged, he returned to Texas and attended Sam Houston State University and graduated with a Masters in Business. He and his family lived in Huntsville, TX, Everett, WA, San Francisco, CA, Denver, CO, Arlington, TX, and then back to Livingston.

Donald is predeceased by his parents, his second wife, Kathy Bone, and his brother, Jimmy Galloway.

He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Lola and Phil Hoy, two granddaughters, Whitney Hoy Andre and husband,



DONALD GALLOWAY
Dec. 26, 1941 - Dec. 6, 2020

Devin, and Hannah Hoy and fiancé, Shane Suggs, brother, Bill Galloway and wife, Alvene, sister, Genette Harrelson and husband Kenny, as well as several nieces and nephews.

The family is planning a celebration of his life in the spring.

His generous heart, sense of humor, and welcoming smile will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Christopher Glenn Hinson

LIVINGSTON — Funeral services for Christopher Glenn Hinson, 37, of Livingston, Texas were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, 2020, in the Cochran Funeral Home Chapel in Livingston, Texas, with Bro. Ulysses C. Longoria officiating. Interment followed in Peebles Cemetery. Visitation was held beginning at 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, in the Cochran Funeral Home Chapel in Livingston.

Chris was born March 28, 1983 in Conroe, Texas, to Terry Franklin Hinson and Melba Jo (Gay) Hinson, and passed away Dec. 8, 2020 in Livingston, Texas. He is preceded in death by his father; grandfather, Tom Gay and brothers, Tommy Hinson and Willie Hinson.

He is survived by his wife, Kristi (LaMoon) Hinson of Livingston; sons, Jacob, Tyson and Dawson Hinson, all of Livingston; mother and stepfather, Melba and Robbie Jeffcoat of Livingston; sister, Jennifer Gilbert and husband Johnny of Porter; brother, Jon Hinson of Baytown; grandmother, Mildred Gay of Livingston;



CHRISTOPHER GLENN HINSON
... services on Saturday

sister-in-law, Angie Hinson of Livingston; nieces, Haley Gilbert, Alaya Gilbert and Sierra Hinson; nephew, Wyatt Hinson; mother-in-law, Teresa Wallis; and father-in-law, Mike LaMoon and wife Emily Specht; along with numerous other relatives and friends.

Pallbearers were Jon Hinson, Ryan Gay, Brad Gay, Heath LaMoon, Johnny Gilbert and Jared Gilbert.

Cochran Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. To sign the online guestbook, visit www.cochranfh.com.

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OPINION

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Around Texas in a day

Texas is a big state.

However, you don't realize that until you attend a function where there are people from multiple parts of the state. This realization came to me while covering the UIL state cross country meet last week in Round Rock.

While it's known that El Paso is closer to Los Angeles than it is to Orange in the eastern part of the state, here are some other jaw-dropping facts:

*Canadian, located in the northeastern portion of the Texas Panhandle, is slightly closer to Denver (455.1 miles) and Kansas

City (468.8 miles) than it is to Round Rock (499.9 miles). Canadian is a Class 3A football powerhouse and often plays non district games against schools from Oklahoma or Kansas.

*Farwell, located in the western portion of the Panhandle, is closer to Santa Fe, NM (222 miles one way) round trip than it is to Round Rock (456 miles) one way. The city also borders Texico, NM, and a set of railroad tracks not only serves as the dividing line between the cities, but also the dividing line between Texas and New Mexico as well as

the dividing line between the Central and Mountain Time Zones.

*Tornillo is 469.7 miles from Phoenix, but 544.5 miles from Round Rock. Members of the Coyotes' cross country teams as well as their families and friends lost an hour traveling to Round Rock.

That's because Tornillo is located in the Mountain Time Zone. Two Texas counties — El Paso and Hudspeth — are located in the Mountain Time Zone and Tornillo is in El Paso County.

*Presidio is 490.4 miles from Round Rock, and

serves as the southern terminus from US Highway 67. It's also across the border from Ojinaga, Mexico.

The Blue Devils won the Class 3A boys team state championship. I can imagine they had a bus ride home to remember.

While I didn't actually travel around Texas in one day or visit any of these cities (I've only been to Farwell out of this list so far), it certainly felt like I did. It's just a reminder of how big our state truly is.

Jason Chlapek is the editor of the Polk County Enterprise

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY

It is the policy of The Enterprise to encourage reader participation on its Opinion page. Diverse and varied opinions are welcomed.

Because of space limitations, we must limit all contributors to one letter per person per month. Letters of 400 words or less will

be published unless they contain language or content that the editors feel is inappropriate.

Letters must either be about Polk County, from a resident of Polk County, or in response to a story that appears in print or online in The Enterprise.

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- Poetry.
- Personal attacks.
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During periods ahead of an election, The Enterprise does not accept letters to the editor urging voters to vote for or against candidates in local elections.

Endorsements should be displayed in political advertising. In light of this policy, we reserve the right to reject or edit letters for references to candidates and whether or not they should be elected. The Enterprise will accept letters expressing views on bond measures, constitutional amendments and other such issues. Letters will not be accepted once early voting has begun.

The Enterprise will not knowingly publish factually incorrect information.

Letters written in response to other letter writers should address the issue at hand. Discourse should be civil and people should be referred to in a respectful manner. Letters referring to news stories should also mention the headline and date of publication.

All letters must be signed and include the writer's street address or route address telephone number, which will be used for verification purposes only.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Major retailers and cesspools

When we first acquired our ranch nearly 20 years ago, we were confronted with two health risks from a neighbor:

1. A pit bull that was a threat to our neighbors, our pets and ourselves. That was easy to remedy. A Polk County deputy counseled him and after his dog moved out we provided him with one of our AKC golden retriever pups.

2. The finding that he claimed a shallow well just outside of the property line as his own, which

he graciously welcomed us to share, was confounded by our seeing that when he flushed his

toilet, the effluent bubbled under the fence over our common well. This was far more difficult to correct. Fortunately, none of us acquired any waterborne disease until we had a multi-faceted solution to our problem prompted by a worker's call to local authorities:

We dug our own deep well on a distant hill along with a shutoff valve to neighbor's well. The shared well serves us all only as a convenient backup.

Maybe we were just lucky with our sewage contaminated well water, but I do believe that those who regularly shop in at least one of our major retailers are confronted with an even more danger-

ous threat to health and perhaps a higher mortality with the aerosol of COVID-19 that they most likely inhale at our retail stores than the enteric pathogens we were drinking. How many of you had to alter Thanksgiving family gatherings because of either family members who are deathly ill with COVID-19 or were reluctant to include us highly vulnerable senior citizens with all manner of comorbidities for fear that we too might contract the disease?

As the self-appointed "Covid Crusader," I sometimes feel that if I am a "Crusader," I am carrying the banner on a campaign all alone parading around with "sandwich" laminated shoulder boards to town which on the front announces, "how to properly wear a mask" and the reverse has pictures a loveable black Labrador wearing a mask in five ridiculous ways and one correct way.

Currently I am ordering from the Print Shop at the Polk County Enterprise a new set of sandwich boards encouraging customers to "wear a mask for your own protection if you dare to shop." We are considering what the next slogan will be. Suggestions welcome.

Dr. Ronald Tolls, Livingston

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File photo
FIRE TRAINING — Sixty-two county employees took turns gathering in the county parking lot on Dec. 12, 1995 to receive training on the proper use of fire safety equipment, including how to best use a fire extinguisher. The class was taught by Livingston Fire Marshal Wayne Keller and David Phillips of Polk County Fire Equipment.

Tornado, hailstorm wreak havoc on Livingston

LOOKING BACK 25 YEARS ...
By Barbara White

It wasn't the kind of thing one wants to see at any time of the year, let alone right before Christmas.

There was damage throughout the area, but Livingston bore the brunt of severe storms that spawned a tornado and dropped marble-size hail shortly after 5:30 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 17, 1995.

The tornado touched down just southwest of Ogletree Lumber Products, Inc. "Every building on the complex is damaged," Ben Ogletree III told the Polk County Enterprise shortly after the storm. "Some just have broken windows and damaged or missing roofs, others are gone completely."

Storm drains became clogged with hail and debris, causing flooding problems in some areas. There was a photo in the newspaper showing a backhoe clearing hail from Briar Way near the Livingston Post Office.

Multiple homes sustained roof and window damage.



File photo
ONALASKA PO AMONG BEST — The staff at the Onalaska Post Office poses with a plaque presented by the Houston District manager for Superior Express Mail Performance in December 1995. Onalaska Postmaster Kenneth Dillon (back right) said his staff delivered 100 percent of the overnight Express Mail it received during the year on time.

Power lines were down. Lightning was blamed for at least one house fire.

The roof flew off the Campbell-Foreman building on the courthouse square, air-conditioning units on the courthouse roof were either damaged or destroyed and some windows in the courthouse were broken.

Call it a Christmas miracle, but no injuries were reported.

Also in December of 1995:

— Sixty-two county employees were trained in the proper use of fire safety equipment, including how to best use a fire extinguisher, on Dec. 12, 1995. The class was taught by Livingston Fire Marshal Wayne Keller and David Phillips of Polk County Fire Equipment.

— The Onalaska Post

Office was awarded a plaque from the Houston District manager for Superior Express Mail Performance. Onalaska Postmaster Kenneth Dillon said his staff delivered 100 percent of the overnight Express Mail it received during the year on time. With some help from the Lakeside Homemakers Club, the post office hosted an open house on Dec. 13, 1995, offering the commu-

nity refreshments and a tour of the office.

— They wouldn't start work until Jan. 1, 1996, but the votes were counted and the new Polk County Appraisal District Board was in place in December. Each taxing entity was allotted votes based on their tax levy. Elected to the board were John W. Byrd Jr., Bill Koperna, Clarke Evans, Joe Haynes and Calvin Jones.

— The only area football team still in the running for a state title, the Groveton Indians, finally met their match on Dec. 9, 1995. On a frigid 25-degree evening in Palestine, the Indians were blown out by the Alto Yellowjackets by a score of 31-0 in the Region III Class 2A quarterfinals.

— Livingston VFW Post 8568 and members of the Polk County Garden Club led a ceremony at the Blue Star Memorial Marker on Dec. 7 to honor veterans and mark the anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor which led to America's entry into World War II.

— The chamber was fresh off its sponsorship of Livingston's second annual Holiday on the Square celebration, held on Dec. 8, 1995. Thousands of Christmas lights that had been

added to the courthouse and surrounding area were lit and a number of individuals and groups of singers led the crowd in Christmas carols. Santa came to town on a fire truck.

— Members of Livingston's First United Methodist Church had been preparing for months for their annual Christmas program; that year the title was "From Heaven's Throne" and it involved hundreds of people.

The first of two performances was scheduled for Dec. 17, the day of the storm.

The new church was undamaged and the morning services went on, although there was no electricity. No one was quite sure whether that night's Christmas pageant would be possible.

"Poor Deborah Jenke, the director of music, looked like she had lost her last friend," is the way Pastor Don Willis described that morning's service. They began to plan and to pray.

Willis said that half-way through the morning service, Jenke was leading the anthem and, when it got to the part that the world needs a Savior, the lights came on.

'Tis the season.

GOODRICH

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The hope is that the 710-acre park off Pete Garrett Road is operational by the end of February 2021. They wish to be part of the community, participating in city events. Off-duty police officers will monitor events on weekends. It is expected the park would have between 50-150 riders per day on

weekends. They also plan to hold 4-6 events that could attract between 500-1,000 patrons.

Also opening on weekends in February is a taco stand across from the Dollar General store on Loop 393. Genaro Angel said his group has participated in the Christmas Festival the past few years and believes the community could benefit from having food available nearby.

"There will be a place for

people to get taco plates and different kinds of Hispanic food," Angel said.

The food is said to be made from scratch. Angel's mother is currently a cook at Naskila, and will be part of the team making meals.

Goodrich Mayor Kelly Nelson said the recent Christmas Parade was a success. Every child in attendance left with either a bicycle or toy. A total of 23 bikes were given out Saturday.

DONATIONS

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organization's iconic red kettles are at risk this year due to COVID-19, while requests for services are at an all-time high. Every donation provides help and hope to those in need, and all gifts stay within the community in which they are given.

Many of the people who

have put money into the kettles in Livingston say they are doing so because Salvation Army has helped them in the past when others did not. This year the Salvation Army is making it safer and simpler to donate in order to support the most vulnerable in Livingston. Besides donating in the kettles, you may also send a check to PO Box 2074, Livingston, TX 77351. Another

option is contributing to the local Salvation Army account at First National Bank. This year for the first time, Walmart will offer a roundup option for pickup orders and on-line orders to help locally. You may also go to the website at www.salvationarmyusa.org/usn/ to contribute. Please consider helping locally to Salvation Army for those in need.

WHITE

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seeks to mandate firearms to be stored in locked gun cases, safes or cabinets, and would make failure to do so a criminal act.

HB 196 was filed to modify the "castle doctrine," which gives residents the right to use deadly force to protect their "land or tangible, movable property," according to the Texas Penal Code. The bill looks to modify the requirement that homeowners not be able to safely retreat before deploying deadly force. It also seeks to remove robbery and aggravated robbery as crimes that can be legally stopped with deadly force.

Meza's bill to modify "castle doctrine" has already caused a stir. She claimed on Twitter that the bill has been misrepresented in news outlets. "While theft is obviously wrong, we have laws to address that. I don't believe that stealing someone's lawn ornament should be an offense punishable by death" she posted in a Nov. 19 tweet.

Gov. Greg Abbott responded to Meza's tweet

by stating that "We won't force Texas homeowners to retreat...homeowners need to protect themselves now more than ever."

White said that many of his constituents have expressed concern about firearms-related legislation. "None of these bills address any concerns with mass shootings," White said. "The put more law-abiding citizens in danger, subject them to civil litigation and criminal prosecution."

Although thousands of bills typically get filed during a legislative year, only a fraction of them usually make it through the state House and Senate to find their way to Abbott in order to be signed into law.

White, who serves as chair of the corrections committee in the state legislature, and also serves as part of the redistricting and judiciary and civil jurisprudence committees, has authored or sponsored several bills in advance of the coming session.

One bill that has White's authorship is a property tax reform bill, HB 529, which would cap year-to-year appraisal increases at 2.5%. Currently the limit on increases is 10%.

NASKILA

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in November and early on when it first hit."

Naskila has been operating at 50% capacity and chairs were removed from certain machines to aid in patrons

keeping a social distance.

Sullivan said the tribal council makes decisions for everything that occurs on the reservation. There has been an ongoing conversation amongst that group since March about hours of operation and helping prevent the spread of Covid-19.

The tribe has not only considered local

statistics for Covid-19, but also numbers from areas like Harris County and Jefferson County, as many patrons drive in from Houston and Beaumont.

Employees of Naskila Gaming will continue to be paid, just as they have in other closures during 2020.

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COUNCIL

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welcome to do so."

Joyce Knierim and Whitney Van Hess were appointed to the Main Street Advisory Board. Their terms begin Jan. 1 and end Dec. 31, 2022.

Christmas will still be celebrated in the city, albeit on a smaller scale. Some events such as Hometown Christmas were canceled altogether, while others were amended to comply with CDC guidelines.

"We are still celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ," Wiggins said. "It's just with Covid, we had to eliminate some large gatherings based on the advice of county and city officials. We hope things will be back to normal year."

Wiggins also addressed a play area at Matthews Park that is closed off. He stated that a defect, not Covid-19,



Photo by Jason Chlapke | PCE
Jose and Beatriz Bauer listen in as Livingston City Council approves their business, Bauer Carpet Cleaning & Restoration, LLC., for annexation into the city of Livingston during last Tuesday's city council meeting.

is the reason for the closure.

"The slide has a crack in it that is dangerous," Wiggins

said. "We should be getting a repair complete in the next month. It has nothing to do with Covid. It has a defect on it that could be dangerous for children."



TAYLOR RECEIVES PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Each semester, East Texas Baptist University's Dr. J. Blair Blackburn presents an award to a graduate who represents a Christian leader, scholar, and servant within the campus and local community. Denedra Taylor of Goodrich, graduating summa cum laude with a bachelor of arts in psychology, received the president's award for the fall 2020 graduating class. Denedra has maintained a 3.98 GPA while pursuing her degree, and she is a member of Psi Chi International Honor Society, and Alpha Chi National College Honor Society. Her strong commitment to academics has not deterred her from service on campus and in the community. She is an active member of her church, a volunteer coach with the Boys & Girls Club of the Big Pines, and a Thrive peer mentor. She has also been a member of the ETBU women's basketball program. Denedra has already been granted admission to the Harrison graduate school at the Southwestern Assemblies of God University.

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Photos by Brian Besch | PCE
Bulldog sophomore Braylan Harrell leans in for the shot. He had nine points Friday.

COSTLY MISTAKES

By Brian Besch
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The Corrigan-Camden Bulldogs lost a fourth-quarter lead to Elkhart and eventually the game 46-41 Friday on the north end of Polk County.

Trailing for much of the contest, the 'Dogs slowly narrowed the gap in each quarter after the first.

"I thought we played well enough to win. We just didn't execute late in the game, which caused us to lose," Corrigan-Camden coach Andrew Kirkindoff said. "I think it is kind of the same story. We play well enough, but in crunch time, we end up turning the ball over, making mistakes that cost us. I tell them all the time that it is our mistakes that is causing us to lose games. We are playing well enough, we just have to fix us."

The Bulldogs looked a bit hurried on possessions early on, falling behind on the scoreboard.

Corrigan-Camden then seemed to run its offense well in the fourth quarter, patiently passing the ball and looking for open attempts. They took the lead and held it for nearly half the period. A quick run by Elkhart frustrated the Bulldogs, causing them to again settle for outside shots.

"I think that is just that



Photos by Brian Besch | PCE
Tra Thomas goes up for two of his eight points.

we are young and starting a freshman. Most of the other ones are sophomores and a junior. Most of them are young and played JV last year, so it is just experience. I knew that there were going to be some Growing Pains early, but hopefully we can get this out of the way now and when we get to District we will be able to overcome them.

Tony Cooper led the Bulldogs with 15 points, Braylan Harrell had nine

and Tra Thomas had eight. For Elkhart, R.J. Moore was tops on the night with 21 points, Cale Starr had nine and Josh Davis added eight. The Bulldogs now sit at 2-4, with both wins coming in the last week. They defeated the Oilers of West Hardin (57-47) and Chireno (53-51). The next game for Corrigan-Camden will come on the road Tuesday, as they face Alpha Omega Academy in Huntsville.

GROWING PAINS

By Brian Besch
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Central Heights started quickly and had Friday's district matchup decided in a quarter, winning over the Lady Dogs of Corrigan-Camden 72-8.

Holding the Lady Dogs without a field goal until the second quarter, Central Heights converted turnovers into layup, running up the first-half difference.

"We have four freshmen, two sophomores, a junior and a senior. It is going to be rough at times this year," Corrigan-Camden coach Ryan Hall said. "The ones that were the team leaders last year didn't come out and they left it on the young ones. This group works their tails off in practice and does everything I ask them to. They will get better; it is just going to take time. We are not in a developmental district, but we have a developmental team. We're going to have to develop and get better and it is just going to be trial by fire this year."

"This is probably one of the toughest districts in the area and maybe the state. It is not because we have state-title contenders, but we have four or five teams in our district that, if the playoff bracket allowed them to, they could go to the



Photos by Brian Besch | PCE
Kalyn Smith dribbles around a defender.

regional tournament. They are very good and very high IQ basketball teams top to bottom."

The Lady Devils led 41-4 at halftime, as most who suited up scored at least two points. Nakalyn Wells and Kamryn Moore led the game by scoring 14 points each, while Hannah Shugart had 11. For Corrigan, Amiyah Jones had three points, Jonaisha Love and Paige Standley both had a bucket,

and Kalyn Smith knocked down a free throw.

The coach said Huntington, Central, Central Heights and Diboll would be favorites for the playoffs, along with Pineywoods Christian Academy.

"That is the most athletic Central Heights team that we have played," Hall said. "They always have good basketball IQ and good basketball teams, but now they are bringing athletes



Photos by Brian Besch | PCE
Amiyah Jones shoots from behind the arc.

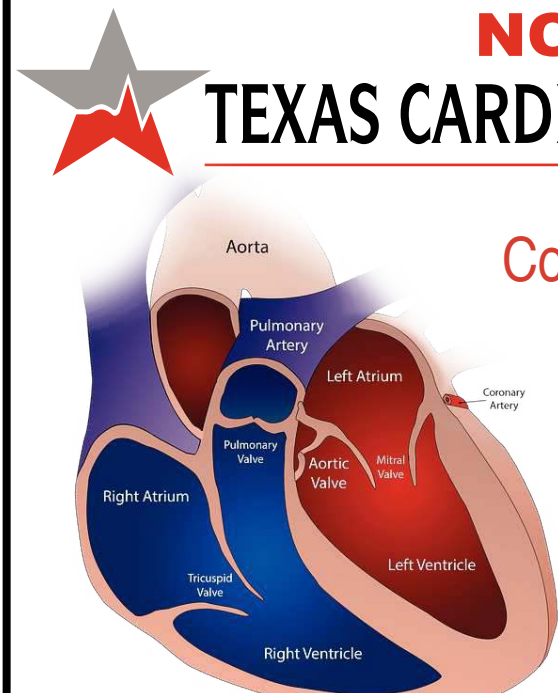
to it too. Huntington has dropped down (in classification) and they've got a D1 track recruit at point guard. She is all gas and no brakes, and she doesn't slow down even when she has the ball. She can go. I would say that

they are probably the favorite to win district as long as she plays."

Hall said his squad's attitude is what he enjoys most.

"Everything we asked them to do, they do. Everybody gets along, we have

zero drama, and they play to the best of their ability. They are a fun group to be around. They are not the strongest basketball players right now, but if they keep that attitude and keep playing, they can learn basketball."



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Conquering My Culinary
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By Emily Banks Wooten

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— SANDRA LEE

Christmas Cookie Creations

A simple act of kindness brings smiles, warm feelings and hope



was recently invited to participate in a cookie swap but felt a little trepidatious at first. I'd participated in one many years ago but couldn't really remember the details or what all was involved. One voice inside my head said, "Don't do it, you're too busy, you don't have the time." However, another voice in my head said, "You really need to do this." The second voice prevailed and I'm glad it did. I'm glad I went with my gut.

We knew we'd be baking cookies in increments by the dozen but wouldn't know for sure how many dozen we'd be baking until we had the final tally of how many people would be participating.

Our instructions were to make fresh, homemade Christmas cookies (or treats), accompanied by the recipe. We were to deliver the cookies to the point person on a designated day and on the following day we'd receive a half-dozen cookies (or treats) of each variety along with a half-dozen of our own, plus the recipes. We were instructed there was no need for special packaging, just seal



for freshness and they would be divided and put into containers for delivery.

We ended up with 12 participants which meant we'd each be making six dozen cookies. At first, six dozen seemed like a lot but once I got into it I soon discovered that a dozen would fit

on my sheet pan. Looking at it as just six sheet pan's worth, it didn't seem near as daunting.

On the day I met the point person to pick up my assortment I was shocked when I saw the box. It was a round, decorative, lidded container, reminiscent of a vintage hat box. The box was

"I think cookies are sort of the unsung sweet, you know? They're incredibly popular. But everybody thinks of cakes and pies and fancier desserts before they think cookies. A plate of cookies is a great way to end dinner and really nice to share at the holidays."

— BOBBY FLAY

approximately five inches tall and 14 inches in diameter. I gingerly lifted the lid and was overwhelmed when I peered inside at the contents. It was a breathtaking array of holiday goodies.

In a year that's been different to say the least — stressful, scary and at times just downright incredulous — that box of goodies was exactly what I needed at that moment. The wonderful fragrances of vanilla, cinnamon, coconut, butter and sugar among other things brought a much-needed feeling of calm to me immediately. Dare I say I even felt a childlike sense of wonder as I could feel the love that went into the creation of each of those beautiful treats.

My husband often counsels me to worry about the things I can control, but to let go of the things in which I have no control

because it's just a waste of time. That extraordinary box of goodies reminded me of that too.

I'm reminded that the simple act of making a platter of homemade cookies — or any other treat — for those we love is not really a difficult or time-consuming task. It's something we must do, this year more than ever. It will bring smiles, warm feelings and the hope for better days ahead.

The extraordinary haul I received included the following: White Chocolate Cranberry Cookies, Santa Balls, Eagle Brand Fudge, Spice Cookies, Best Ever Soft Peanut Butter Cookies, Apricot Kolaches, White Chocolate-Dipped Ginger-Doodles, Mama Susie's Applesauce Mini-Cupcakes, Macadamia Nut Cookies, Everything Cookies and two types of Snickerdoodles.

“Think what a better world it would be if we all, the whole world, had cookies and milk about three o'clock every afternoon and then lay down on our blankets for a nap.”
— BARBARA JORDAN



— Eagle Brand Fudge —

FROM MOLLIE LASALLE

- 3 cups (18 oz.) semi-sweet chocolate chips
 - 1 14-oz. can Eagle Brand sweetened condensed milk
 - 1 ½ teaspoon vanilla extract
 - Dash of salt
- Line a 8-9-inch pan with wax paper. It might help to lightly grease the pan as well.
 - In a heavy saucepan, heat the chocolate chips, condensed milk and salt until melted and well-combined. Do NOT use high

heat or you will risk burning the chocolate.

- Remove from heat and add vanilla.

Spread mixture in an even layer into pan. Chill for 2 hours or until firm.

Note:

- You can add walnuts or any kind of nut to this recipe and you can also stir in a cup of mini marshmallows for an extra creamy fudge.
- This fudge will keep for up to 2 weeks stored in the refrigerator.

— Santa Balls —

FROM DEBBIE DICKERSON

- 1 large package Golden Oreos, crushed
 - 1 8-oz. block of cream cheese, softened
 - 1 package white chocolate or almond bark
 - 1 jar holiday sprinkles
- Thoroughly mix Oreos and cream cheese until they form a sticky dough. Roll into 1-inch balls and place on wax paper-

lined cookie sheet and freeze for at least an hour. (Can be kept frozen for days.)

- Melt white chocolate (or almond bark) in a double boiler and gently submerge the balls and place on a wax paper-lined cookie sheet.
- After dunking several, and while they're still cooling, use sprinkles across the tops.

— Mama Susie's Applesauce Cake —

FROM GLORIA RUSSELL

- 2 cups applesauce or apple butter
- ¾ cup vegetable oil
- 2 cups sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 4 cups flour
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon allspice

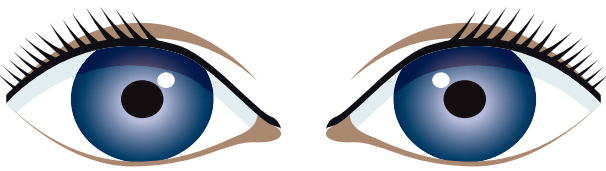
- 1 teaspoon nutmeg
 - 2 cups chopped pecans (optional)
 - 1 cup golden raisins (optional)
- Mix all ingredients together. Pour into greased bundt pan. Bake at 300 degrees for 45 minutes or until done.
 - For mini cupcakes, bake for 19 minutes.



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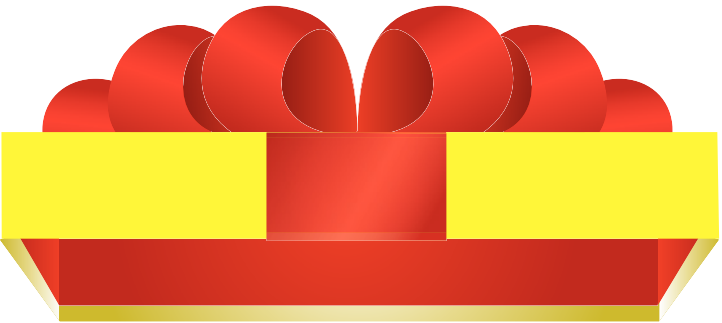
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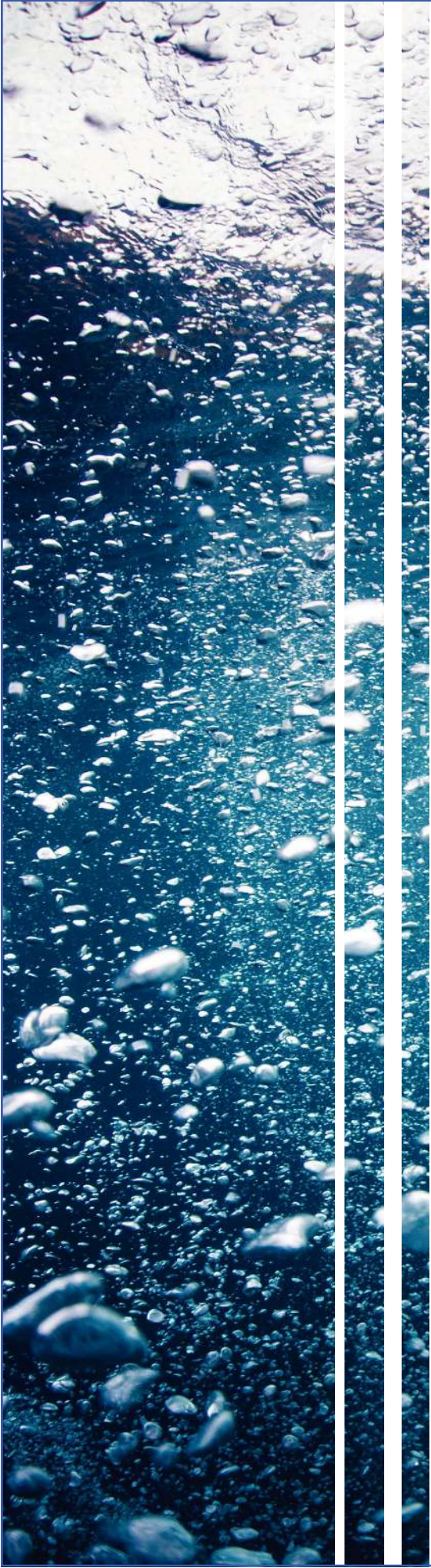
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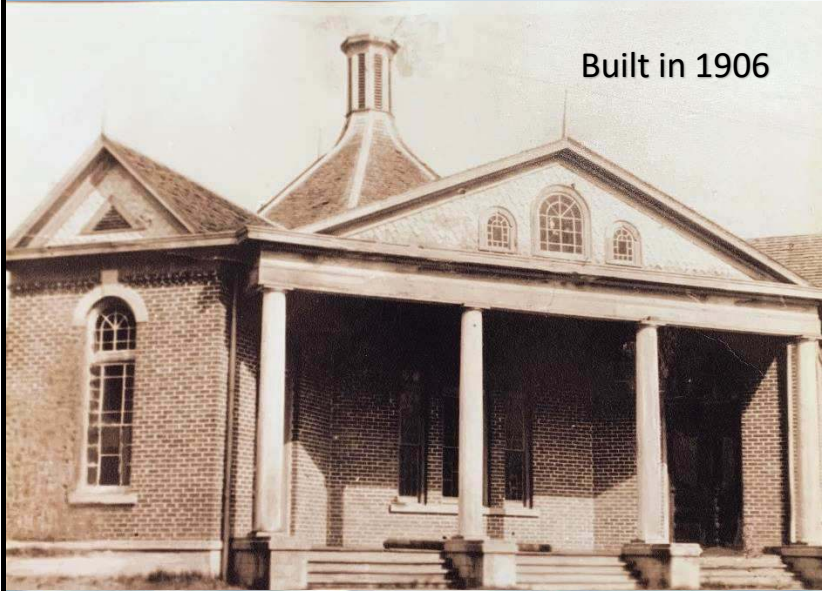
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Livingston Dunbar High School

Accounts from former student, local historian

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According to the Texas Historical Commission, formal education for African American children

in Livingston started on West Street in the late 1800s. By 1908, the school also offered teaching certificates. Later, part of the school for Livingston's Caucasian students was put on logs and pulled across town by mule teams for a new African American schoolhouse.

To meet the needs of the growing community, school trustees built a larger facility in the west end addition. The school was named for Paul Laurence Dunbar, a nationally renowned African American poet. Dunbar High School opened in 1936 as the largest school

for African Americans in Polk County, with twelve grades and vocational studies. The brick building housed eight classrooms, a library, principal's office and a fully-equipped homemaking department. In the 1940s, activities expanded with a full-time athletic program and courses in agriculture

and choral music. In 1945, a fire gutted the building, with classes temporarily held in neighborhood churches. The State Department of Education accredited the school in 1946. New Willard School consolidated with Dunbar in

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1957, transferring faculty, students and a building to the campus. In 1965, citywide school integration began with the Freedom of Choice program, resulting in Dunbar's closing in 1968.

The Committee to Save Dunbar Complex bought the property and transferred it from the school district to Polk County in the 1980s, ensuring continued public use. School pride endures through alumni associations and the school's contributions to its graduates and community.

One of those graduates, Joyce Davis, was the only one in her family of 11 children to complete high school. The year was 1964.

Dunbar holds a special place in Davis' heart and, as she tells it, many others remember the school fondly.

"When I went to Dunbar in ninth grade, all the Black kids looked forward to going to Dunbar," Davis said. "That is just what we wanted to do. I don't know how other people feel, but nobody ever complained about it. It seemed like the people at

Dunbar went to college and did things. I was involved in church and sang in the choir."

Davis said most of the African Americans in the county attended Livingston Dunbar. She was bussed in each day from her small hometown north of Livingston. As a child, she attended John Knighton Elementary School in Leggett, the town where she grew up and resides today.

"I don't know if it was me or if it was other people, but I never noticed anything (different from other schools). I was just so busy

trying to finish high school, and plus, I didn't live in Livingston."

Davis tried to busy herself with cheerleading, however, that lasted just one game. Her father did not see the point in athletics and Davis said it may have swayed her opinion of participating.

Instead, she took part in plays, and said she always seemed to "get the best parts." She was also involved in talent shows, the glee club and choir.

Beginning in her freshman year, Davis told everyone possible that she wanted to be Miss Dunbar in

her senior year. Three years later, she was able to accomplish that goal.

Later in life, Davis says she has performed "just about every job a person can do." She started out at her sister's eatery, Jack White's Colored Cafe, when she was in high school. From there, she was a beautician, secretary, salesperson, corrections officer, and a teacher at Livingston Junior High and Angelina College.

"I was not a smart person," said the woman who holds a college degree. "My teachers thought I

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was smart, but I didn't really think I was all that smart. My teachers seemed to go the extra mile with me. My mom died when I was three and I think I had a special place in people's hearts. I was the one they called on to read things and do things. I was not the salutatorian or the valedictorian, but I was the one that said the speech for the graduation exercise."

She remembers around 54 graduating members in that 1964 Dunbar class.

Though Davis says she never really noticed a difference between Dunbar and Livingston High, she said friends of hers have mentioned it later in life.

"I have heard people say later that we didn't have the right books or whatever, but I didn't run around with that crowd. My friend thought that, but she never said those kind of things to me.

"Those people who lived in Livingston, they might have felt that way. In Leggett, the white school was way back in the woods and our school was way back in the woods. You couldn't see their school from the road and you couldn't see mine, so I never really knew what that school even looked like, because I never went down that road. Isn't that something? Even though Leggett is very small.

"I lived on Glover Road and our road was different from every other road, I think, in Texas. We had white people and Black people on our street and everybody loved my dad. Mexicans came here to get shucks for their tamales. We didn't have a car and my dad never had a car. He hired people to take him places after there were no more horses."

One other school activity Davis enjoyed was helping prepare for athletic events. Though not a big enthusiast of sports herself, she took pleasure in activities with her classmates.

"We had good football teams. When people came to our school (for a game), they couldn't go to the restaurants, so we cooked for the teams. Our homemaking department would spend all day cooking and they had excellent meals after their games. That is how they ate. They didn't have to worry about going to the kitchen or to the restaurants to get sandwiches to take out with them. They also couldn't just stop and use a restroom, so they had to use our restrooms to clean up."

As she mentioned, Dunbar had excellent football teams. It included an outstanding run in the 1950s, where the school made five state final appearances, winning three state championships.

The three state title years were 1953, 1954 and 1958. In 1952 and 1959, the Dunbar Leopards were a win away from adding to their championship trophies, compiling a record of 73-2 in those seasons.

The local unofficial historian on Leopard football is Johnny Walker. He is an honorary member of the Dunbar Hall of Fame and attended Leopard contests during the terrific run of the 1950s as a child.

Walker was a football player himself from 1960 to 1963 at Livingston High School.

"I just enjoyed going," Walker said. "There wasn't any particular reason. With the white people, they had a good following at home. A lot of people came to watch Dunbar football when they played at home. The white people that came to the games for Dunbar was probably in the neighborhood of 200 or 250 people."

Walker said there was probably more African Americans in the audience than Caucasian.

"No white people went to the games away from home. It was just the people from Livingston that would come (to home games) that I know of. My dad was sheriff and we were two of the only white people that went to the



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Dunbar is also still a recognized state historical school campus. This plaque from the Texas Historical Society stands at the front of the school.



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The 1958 state champion Livingston Dunbar football team had a record of 15-0. They were coached by James “Big Jim” DeWalt (top left in jacket).

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out-of-town games too. It was the same in basketball, my dad and I were the only two white people in the gym many times.”

Walker was part of two district championship winners at Livingston High School and knows good football. “We didn’t go to Dunbar games to see if they were going to win. We went to Dunbar games to see what the score was going to be after they beat them,” Walker said. “They would win games 80-something to nothing. They would just stomp people.

“Anybody that was in class 1A that started the season knew that they were have to go through Livingston Dunbar to get through the state playoffs. It was just a matter of Dunbar being so much better than everybody else. It went on for a long time.”

The 1959 edition of the Leopards is a team that greatly exceeded expectations. Losing 22 members off a state championship squad, Dunbar was projected to take a step back.

Instead, the Leopards ran their

record to 14-0 before finally losing in the state finals.

“One year they got disqualified because an ineligible player was playing,” Walker said. “They were 10-0 that year and that may have been their best team in 1957. They didn’t get beat, they got disqualified because the coaches didn’t know that a guy was an ineligible player. Somebody found out about it and they got kicked out after district.”

Walker said the Dunbar team wasn’t one with tremendous size, but packed plenty of punch.

“They were smaller, they just hit like a ton of bricks. They were just dynamite football players for years. After they would get ahead by about 28-0 in the first quarter, you could pretty much tell they were just dominant.”

Before a 1954 playoff game, Walker said the opposition, Boling, may not have taken the Leopards as seriously as they should have.

“In ‘54, we beat Boling; we beat

them pretty bad. When we went to the game, they were laughing at us because we were so little. They would say, ‘Hey, look at how little those guys are.’ Then, we beat the crap out of them.”

Some of the players would play both offense and defense, just as smaller schools do today. Walker remembers the teams being talented enough that if a player was injured, reserves could step in without losing any momentum.

“In the ‘58 game, I was about 13 years old and we were playing a team out of the Dallas area (Grand Prairie Dalworth),” Walker recalled. “We beat them, 26-24.”

Charley Taylor was the standout on that Dalworth group, later starring in the NFL.

“They scored four touchdowns and didn’t make an extra point. We scored three touchdowns and made all our extra points (two-point conversions). A guy named Wesley Ratcliff tackled one of the opponents in the end zone for a safety.

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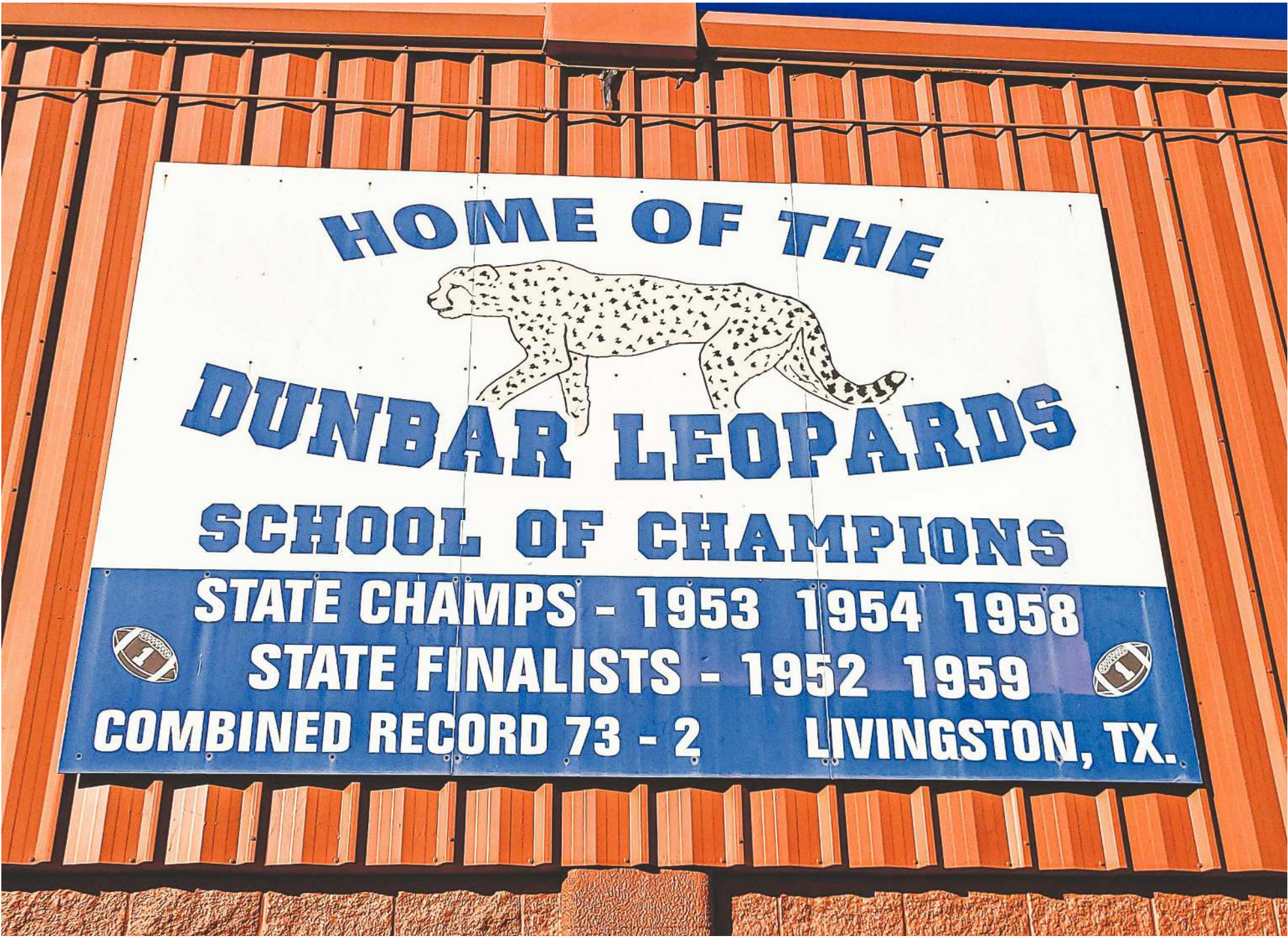
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A sign on the school gymnasium shows off the athletic program’s accomplishments.

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“Richard Ryans was the quarterback. He was so good that when he went to Prairie View (in college), he started out as the No. 6 quarterback. He worked his way up to No. 1. He probably could have played in the pros, but he decided not to.”

Tommie Gene Robinson who was the quarterback on the 1953 and 1954 teams that went 30-0 over a two-year span. John Payton was a standout running back for the Leopards, who still holds rushing records at Prairie

View A&M University.

“In the ‘50s, they would have beat the crap out of us,” Walker said comparing the two high school football teams in Livingston. “But in the ‘60s whenever we played, you just can’t say one way or another.”

Harding Ross was the coach through 1954. After that, James “Big Jim” DeWalt, whose name is on the Livingston High School athletic field house, took over as coach.

Walker said Dunbar also had

very good basketball teams. He said a team from around 1957 averaged 125 points per game in an era before the 3-pointer. Guards Jimmy Johnson and Tony Butler averaged around 65 points between the two of them.

“Big Arch” Henderson was another Leopard athlete Walker told of. Henderson was part of the 1958 state champions — as a seventh grader.

“Arch made the team as a second teamer at the fullback position. When he was an eighth

grader, he started on the team that went 14-1 before they were beat in the state finals.

“They had to play Conroe in a bi-district game and he had to go in and change his name to Jim Brown, because everybody in the state knew who Big Arch Henderson was.”

Jim Brown was a Hall of Fame running back, playing at that time for the Cleveland Browns. The name change was a way around the rules of playing a fifth and sixth year of high

school ball.

“They had to change his name in the program to Jim Brown because it was his sixth year. He weighed about 230 pounds.”

The campus on the corner of Dunbar Avenue and Martin Luther King still stands today and operates in many capacities for the county. In addition to a voting site, the facility is used for state services and hosts the county’s annual “hurricane party.” It is also still a recognized state historical school campus. ■

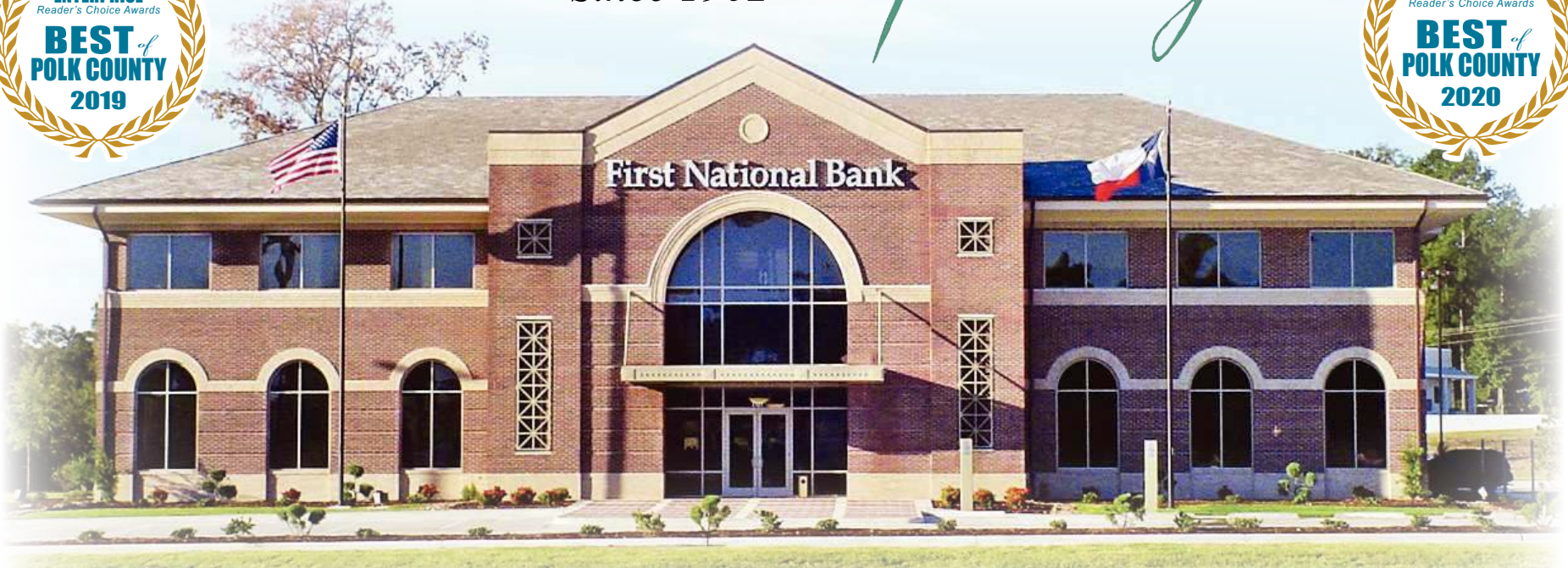


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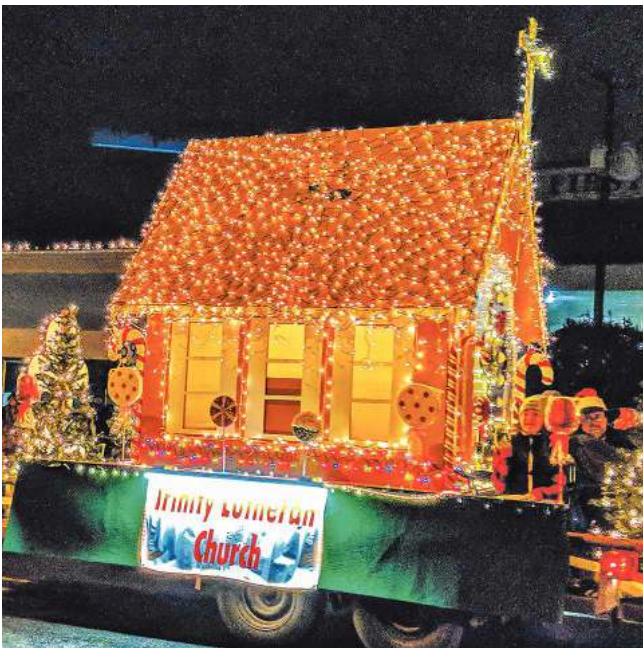
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Bill Wiggins has fond memories of growing up in Livingston. He was born and raised in Livingston, and is in his third year as the city manager. One of Wiggins' favorite memories were the annual Christmas festivities

around the city. "Growing up as a child, I remember a lot of the downtown department stores would stay open past 5 p.m. and have shopping days for the parents and the kids visiting Santa Claus," he said. "We also had parades. The highlights as a kid were the high school marching band and Santa Claus coming to town." As time progressed, more festivities were

added. Among them was Hometown Christmas and Lighting the Town. "Through the years we added on to the lighting throughout town," Wiggins said. "Our employees put the lights up around town. We started Hometown Christmas in 1999 and vendors come to town. The civic organizations set up booths and the fun run/walk has been a big thing." Wiggins also mentioned that several churches in the city put on a program called "Walk Through Bethlehem" as well as train rides through Pedigo Park and the Christmas Train at Good Golly Miss Molly's. He also elaborated on Lighting the Town. "The Christmas lighting ceremony takes place every Tuesday before Thanksgiving," Wiggins said. "We had a children's choir, employees dressed as Christmas characters

and did the countdown to light the lights. The lights came on after dark. In year's past, we also had Santa at Miss Effie's Cottage. The Polk County Garden Club put that on." Christmas time isn't the only time that the city of Livingston puts on events. There are other events that are vital to the city's heritage, according to Wiggins. "We also have our Eggstravaganza during Easter," Wiggins said. "We stuff the eggs with candy or prize notifications. Local businesses donate prizes. The KidFish is in June at Pedigo Park. TPWD stocks the pond with fish a few weeks before the event and they teach kids the right way to fish. Fourth of July cookout, antique car show, children's bike parade and fireworks at Anniversary Park." Another event that is very near and dear to Wiggins is



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"The people chip in and help out," he said. "Relay 4 Life raises lots of dollars. Our Youth Livestock Show is incredible how much money is raised and how these kids use those dollars for education."

Like many other communities, Livingston had to cancel or downscale some events this year because of Covid-19. Hometown Christmas is canceled and Lighting the Town didn't have a ceremony.

"We hope and pray that we can somehow go back to having each and every one of these programs," Wiggins said. ■

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The city of the Livingstonn hosts an Eggstravaganza during Easter. We stuff the eggs with candy or prize notifications. Local businesses donate prizes



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The lake was contracted through the city of Houston after a drought in the 1950s. Lake Livingston was one of three lakes – Lake Livingston, Lake Houston, and Lake Conroe.

Houston funded the construction, and the Trinity River Authority has operated and maintained the lake since. The construction was completed in 1969, with the lake expected to take several years, it filled completely within only three.

Highway 190 was relocated to the north side of the lake, but it once resided further south in the middle of the lake, where the road bed still lies. Not only are there roads, but parts of bridges and odd, tires, hundreds of tires.

Rumors of church steeples sticking out of the water during droughts and full buildings have often been the tall tale of the lake, but there is some truth to these stories.

Michael Richardson from Lake Livingston Adventures has uncovered numerous structures lying on the bottom of the lake. While on an investigative trip, he showcased using side-sonar multiple pilons, roads, bridges, and possibly a boat.

There are more items that were discovered during the building of the dam. Prehistoric fossils such as a rhinoceros, an ancient horse, snakes similar to a type found in South America, and types of rodents similar to an opossum. All of these remains of animals



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were found by researchers from Southern Methodist University.

With possibly 45 sunken ferries on the bottom of the Trinity River, there was one discovered near Liberty. A ferry called the Black Cloud sank in 1873.

Once it was found, the only retrievable item was the bell which now resides at the First United Methodist Church of Liberty in the tower. Historian Charles Fisher, Jr., traced the origins of the ship. The bell is only

viewed upon request.

Similarly, in 1984 at Swartwout, another ferry was discovered. It was located alongside the southern side of the dam where a ferry crossing with the pier’s foundation still stands.

When the water is low, the piers are still visible. W.R. Baker, a ranch owner in Livingston, has the Swartwout ferry submerged in his pond to preserve it.

Through community involvement, pieces of the

ferry were moved to the pond, which was Baker’s father’s property at the time.

“It kind of floated around here for a couple of weeks, and then when it went down, I ain’t seen any of it sense,” Baker said.

There are all sorts of remnants undiscovered of the ghost towns, but as history has shown, it is constantly uncovered. Lake Livingston moved several homes and gravesites, but what lies beneath is still yet to be returned. ■



Photo courtesy of Charles Fisher Jr.

Charles Fisher studies the bell from the steamboat Black Cloud that has pealed I the Methodist Church of Liberty for over a century. The bell was taken from the wreck of the boat at Liberty. It was a search for the origin of this bell, which took five years, that initiated Fisher’s interest in steamboat history



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BACK TO BLUE

Corrigan native does hometown proud as a Cowboy

By Chris Edwards
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As a junior high football player, La'Darius Hamilton once went to make a tackle, and a not-so-great helmet resulted in a bloody nose for the young athlete. Hamilton told his coach about it, and the coach's response resulted in a nickname that would follow him through his high school and college football career.

"I went to tell coach about it, and his response was 'If you're going to be a hambone you can't be complaining,'" Hamilton recounted in a profile that was published in an August 2017 edition of the *Corrigan Times*.

It is not clear if the nickname is still with Hamilton, but in April he fulfilled a dream to play in the NFL.

The Corrigan native signed on the dotted line last April to play for the Dallas Cowboys after a collegiate career that found him breaking into his alma mater's record books.

At 6'3" and 260 lbs., Hamilton can see over the horizon better than most, and he is built like a defensive end. His stats as a University of North Texas Mean Green shows that he has the size and strength to cut it playing under Cowboys' defensive coordinator Mike Nolan.

At UNT, Hamilton, a four-year starter, finished his career at sixth-place in the program's history for tackles (28.5) and tied at sixth-place for sacks (17).

"La'Darius is one of the fastest D-ends I've ever seen in my life, one of the quickest D-ends I've ever seen in my life," Khairi Muhammad, a former UNT teammate said.

His list of collegiate accomplishments on the gridiron is lengthy, and he racked up quite a few as a Corrigan-Camden Bulldog, as well.

While playing under then-Bulldogs head coach Seven Armstrong, Hamilton, as a junior, helped lead the team to a 10-2 overall season record and the area round of the UIL 3A Division II State Football Championships. His senior year, he made it to the Regional round with the Bulldogs, and by his 2016 high school graduation, he racked up an impressive resume that made him a welcome addition to any collegiate program. He said he signed with UNT due to the interest that was placed on him during recruitment and the close-knit nature of the team and coaches.

Hamilton cherishes the influence of his hard-working parents and the great times he had growing up in northern Polk County. "My greatest influences would have to be my parents," he said. "I have other family members who



Photo courtesy of Kim Benjamin
La'Darius Hamilton as a young pee-wee football player in Corrigan.

have influenced me, but the greatest influence comes from them. They made sure to teach me that you will not get anywhere in life being lazy and not having respect for others."

His mother Kim said his gifts were apparent early on, and she and his father Carlous started sending him to camps when he was in eighth grade to hone his skills. "From Little League

up until he graduated [high school] he showed us that he was very passionate about every sport he played and that's why we made the sacrifices we did, investing in his future," Kim said.

Hamilton's former teacher, Beverly Cockrell, who wrote the profile of Hamilton in 2017, called him an "all-around great guy," and "the type of young man that every teacher and coach



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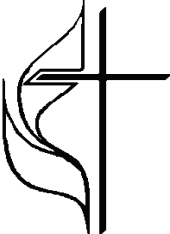
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Corrigan native La'Darius Hamilton playing for UNT.

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dreams of having in their classroom or on the field.”

Cockrell also said the respectful, well-mannered Hamilton is “a natural-born leader.” “He knows who he is and how to get what he wants out of life,” she added.

Statistically, the dream of playing pro ball seems to evade even the hardest-working of high school and collegiate athletes, but Hamilton knew this and would not give up until realizing his dream.

“As far back as I can remember me wanting to be a professional athlete is probably around the first grade when I first watched Lawrence Taylor highlights,” Hamilton said.

The hometown support for Hamilton has been a great motivating factor, as well. “My pride for Corrigan runs deep,” he said in a 2017 profile published to the UNT sports site, Mean Green Sports. “I bleed blue even though I wear green now. I’m forever a Bulldog and I love my city. They’ve given me more than I could ever give them, so I’ve got to be the best for them.”

In the same profile, Hamilton added that Corriganites have told him they see him as a “sign of hope for the town.”

“They say I’m a great role model for the people who come behind me to show them to do things the right way,” he said.

From the very first play of his first collegiate game, Hamilton made a splash. It was in a game against SMU, and not only did he make

three tackles throughout the game, but he deflected a pass that led to an interception, which happened in the first quarter on the first play in his first collegiate game. It only went up from there.

During his junior year at UNT, Hamilton landed on first-team status of the All-Conference USA Team. For one game, the team “un-retired” the No. 75 jersey that was last worn by UNT

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La'Darius Hamilton in action during the 2015 Regional playoff round against Trinity.

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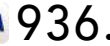
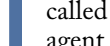
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legend Joe Greene, and it was donned by Hamilton, a move that signaled how much the Corrigan native meant to the school.

For four years on the Mean Green squad, Hamilton played football for a program located less than 50 miles from AT&T Stadium in Arlington. Added to the fact that he grew up a Cowboys fan with a family who always rooted for Dallas, his current employment situation has the makings of a meant-to-be scenario.

When Hamilton participated in the NFL Combine workout in Indianapolis last February, he finished amongst the top rankings in several of the drills, for his position, but he did not hear his name called in the NFL Draft. He said he was “very excited,” however, when the Cowboys called with an undrafted free agent deal for him.

Before the season began, writer Zeke Barrera reporting for the Cowboyswire, wrote that Hamilton “will have to wait for and earn his opportunity, but Dallas does have both an immediate and long-term need for another edge rusher.”

After the combine in February, Hamilton spoke to the media about his hopes and dreams with the NFL. He recognized his strengths and what he could bring to whichever program that would have him. “You’ve got to do really do something to wow people so you can get this opportunity,” he said.

Throughout the 175-year history of Polk County, the nurturing, fertile environment has produced statesmen, great intellects, artists and amazing athletes. Hamilton has certainly chiseled his name onto that list.

The future is likely a bright place for La'Darius Hamilton, but whatever he accomplishes with the NFL is icing on the cake. He’s undoubtedly wowed folks back home time and time again. ■

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Beginnings of a Polk County town

Leggett still influenced today by early settlers

By Mary Joyce Davis
BS, M. Ed.

When asked to write about one's heritage, what is the first thought that comes to your mind?

What about your birthright, family legacy, property inherited, your community, county, state, country, or the whole world in which you are a part? Perhaps you may think of people you know, and love. Numerous things may come to mind that remind you of your heritage.

I think of my father, Sam F. Davis. He was born in 1890 and died in 1977 at 87. I think of my Mother, Tempie (Jefferson) Davis who was born in 1905 and died in 1950. She was a wonderful seamstress and people from miles around tell me how they loved the garments that she made for them. Everything that I have done in life, I have done for my mom because she died so incredibly young. I was only 3.

I also think of Leggett, my native hometown. We as human beings like to know historical facts about places, people, and things so we can carry on the legacies. I regret that I did not have this historical curiosity in me when I was younger, as most of the Leggett pioneers have died.

My granddaughter, Veronica Ballou, a seventh grader at Livingston Junior High said, "Grandmother, I will help you." This article is a family affair, with the help of lifelong friends and relatives. As a result, we are finding out more and more — piecing together the history of Leggett.

Carolyn (Glover) Hockley and her sister, Jeannette



Mary Davis



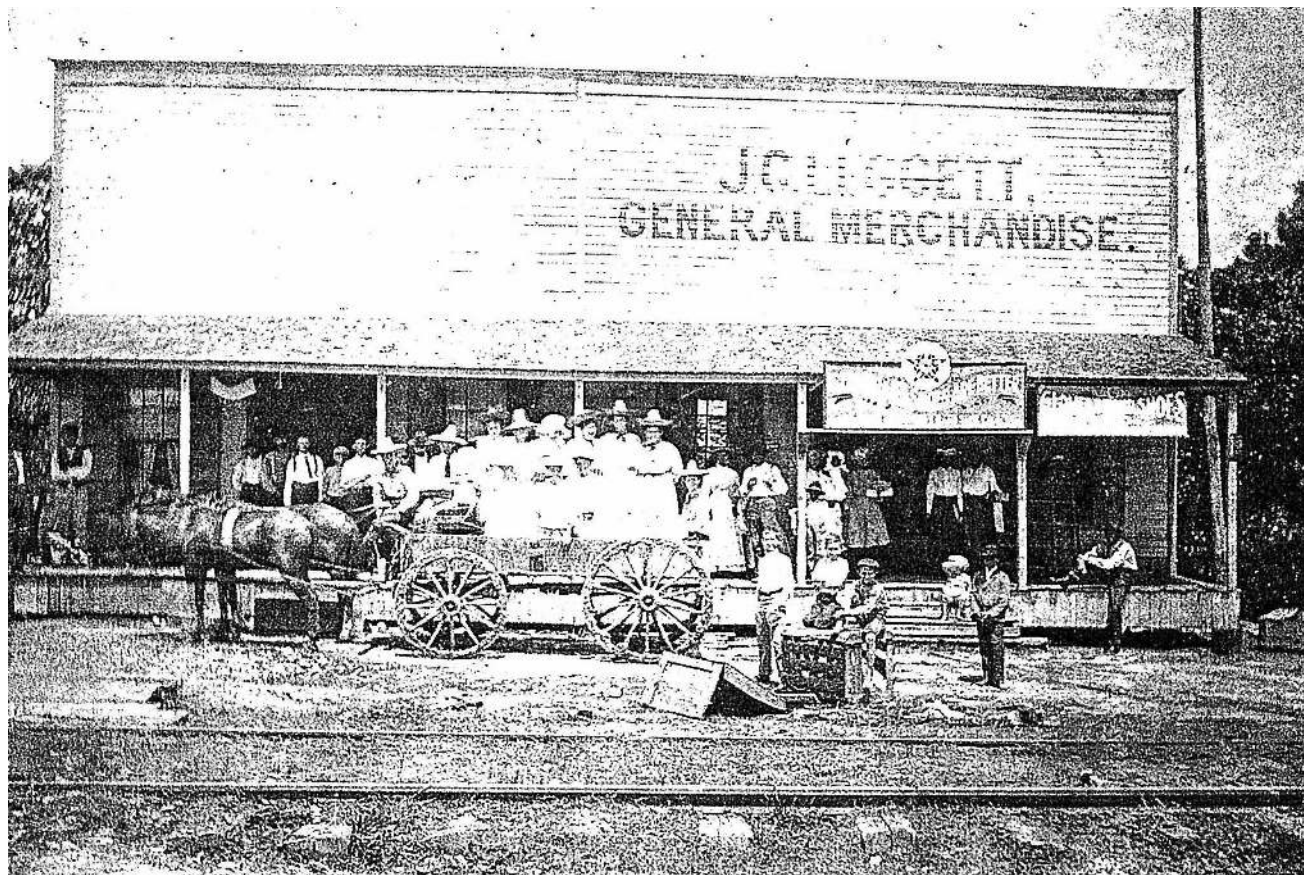
Tempie (Jefferson) Davis



Sam Davis

(Glover) Stone contributed information about their family and the history of Leggett. Leggett is named after their great-grandfather, John Calvin Leggett. Our Glover Road is named after their parents, Lourine (Leggett) Glover and William T. (Pete) Glover.

I wrote extensively about Glover Road and



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The J.C. Leggett General Merchandise store, owned by John Calvin Leggett.

Leggett for "Preservation Matters" sponsored by the Polk County Historical Commission in an article called Historic Leggett Road Well Traveled. You may obtain the article from the Polk County Enterprise dated May 19, 2018.

In the early days of Leggett, John C. Leggett (born 1853 in Moscow), purchased 1,000 acres of land and settled in Leggett. He built a home and the General Store, and his brother Ralph owned a sawmill. The Leggetts donated the right of way for the railroad, which then named the town and train station Leggett.

The railroad provided mail, delivery of bulk supplies for the general store, passenger transportation and the export of pulp wood. Other stores were built around the Leggett Railroad, including

William Freeman's Red Horse Saloon and later Freeman's Store. Everyone referred to Leggett as Red Horse. When I was a young girl, the huge metal sign of the Red Horse hung on the Freeman Store long after the saloon was closed. I asked Jimmy Freeman, the great grandson of William Freeman who still lives in Leggett, about the sign. He told me that he has the famous Red Horse sign hanging in his home.

Leggett was a booming pioneer town with a cotton gin, a turpentine factory, three or four churches, a bank, and 10 to 15 small sawmills tucked into the woods that produced lumber, pulp wood, and turpentine.

Around 1913, Horace Leggett and Horace's wife, Ninnie (Parrish) Leggett, bought the Leggett General Store from his father, John

Calvin Leggett. Horace had recently graduated from the first class of pharmacy at Baylor University. He and Ninnie renamed the store Leggett Drug Company, where he remained the pharmacist for the next 45 years.

In 1948, Lourine (Leggett) Glover and William T. (Pete) Glover moved back to Leggett from Houston with their two little girls, Jeannette and Carolyn. Pete had been the chief deputy sheriff of Harris County for many years.

They bought Leggett Drug Company from Lourine's parents, Horace and Ninnie Leggett. Horace continued to fill prescriptions at Leggett Drug Company and Ninnie Leggett, along with Verna (Jones) Hinson, continued to work at the store.

Horace Leggett died in

1974 and Ninnie Leggett died in 1975. Leggett Drug Company sold everything: fresh fruits, vegetables, meats, cloth, material, zippers, buttons, nails, radios, gifts, tobacco, shoes and overalls, feed, hay, prescription and non-prescription drugs and, of course, ice cream and soda pop. Lourine and Pete kept the store open until about 1979, when competition from Walmart closed down many country stores.

By the 1950s, most of the stores had moved from a location near the railroad to the new U.S. Highway 59. The bank had closed, but there was Leggett Drug Company (General Store), Freeman's Hardware, Smith's Feed Store and Richardson's filling stations, Charlie and Suddie Jones' Store that had the only telephone in town, and Tullos' and DeShazo's Stores. Today, there is only a

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The General Store was renamed Leggett Drug Company.

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Lourine (Leggett) Glover and William T. (Pete) Glover



Leggett Drug Company in later years.

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new giant truck stop with a small store and a post office.

The dirt road I was born on 74 years ago was just called “the dirt road” until about 1980, when we started calling it Glover Road. It was officially named Glover Road in 2006.

In that era 74 years ago, it was unusual for a Black man to own land, and it was almost unheard of for a Black woman to own land, but my grandmother, Mariah Davis, my dad’s mom, was a landowner here in Leggett.

Grandmother Mariah also owned land on Leggett Loop 116. My daddy gave his younger brother his share of his mom’s land, and it is still in the family.

My great grandfather, Flemming Jefferson, was born in Alabama around 1841 and later moved to Texas. Great grandfather Flemming Jefferson married great Bettie on Dec. 28, 1869 in Texas, and I have their marriage license. My mother, Tempie (Jefferson) Davis was one of five children (four boys and a girl).

It is amazing how I got their birth certificates and marriage licenses. I just happened to go to the Polk County Courthouse one day as the county was in the process of digitizing old records and destroying the paper documents. They asked me if I wanted them. I found my family members among the documents and was able to preserve their records.

My dad was born in 1890 on this “old dirt road” in Leggett, as well as my Uncle Abby — my dad’s brother — born in 1886. Texas was not giving Black babies a birth certificate, so their births were unregistered; however, in 1951 the state of Texas, County of Polk, approved with an official seal registered birth certificates by the then-county clerk J.H. McKee.

I think this was part of the big change when Blacks became eligible to vote. In order to vote, one had to “own” something.

Pete Glover assisted many in registering to vote and told about it. He would ask everyone that came in the drug store if they had registered to vote. Many would tell him that they didn’t own anything and had nothing to declare as ownership.

Pete would then ask them, “Do you own that watch on your arm?” The answer would be “Yes.” Pete would then put them in his car, drive them to the courthouse in Livingston and stand there while they were registered to vote as citizens and property owners. Such is one small lesson of democracy.

Our home is on Glover Road, less than a half mile from the Leggetts’ 1886 historical home with the official historical medallion. Everyone on that old dirt road/Glover Road have always been neighbors now for over 130 years.

My dad had a charge account at the drug store and I was privileged, every once in a while, to charge on his account. My dad

purchased food for us and feed for the chickens, pigs, cows, and horses.

One of the Glovers would always deliver our food and feed to our home since my dad never had a car. After our bank closed in Leggett and after he sold his horse and buggy, he always hired someone to take us to town (Livingston) to the bank.

As far as I know, my dad, Sam F. Davis, owned about 100 acres of land near Highway 59 in Leggett, where he raised cotton. He was the only Black man on Glover Road who had contract workers. We walked from home, across the railroad track and on a trail that took us to my daddy’s cotton field. I remember picking cotton. I would pick all day, every day and still at the end of the week, my cotton bags were still too light to even earn a dollar. My dad felt so sorry for me because I had worked so hard that he would pay me a dollar anyway.

When the new U.S. Highway 59 came through, some of my daddy’s land was needed for the new highway. Eventually, he sold the rest of that land after the boll-weevil ate up the cotton crop. I believe this happened while I was still attending John Knighton Leggett Black Elementary School.

My dad retained about 12 acres where his homestead stood that he had helped build. I again reside in this old homestead that I love. In fact, I sleep in the same room where I was born feet first and ready for the world.

I remember the schools

and church that I attended. Something happened to our first Black school, so for a short while, our black school was held in Providence #1 Baptist Church — our Black church.

My dad, Sam F. Davis, helped build our church in his early twenties. He was one of the church deacons and on the church board. There remains today an inscription on the Church Building honoring him, which makes me so proud.

Our church was so important to us. We had activities such as choir, BYPU, and Sunday school. My dad’s favorite book was the Bible, and it became one of my favorite books as well. My dad always read the paper from cover to cover; I remember he would sit on the porch waiting for the newspaper to be thrown in our yard as the delivery truck would speed by.

I met Ruth Peebles in 1988 when I first moved back to my family’s home. My dream had been to write about Black history in Polk County. I shared this with Ruth at the Livingston Museum. She told me that she had lots of research to give about the Blacks who came to Polk County back in 1845 and later.

Her research was obtained from historical documents like censuses, probate records and newspaper clippings. In 2005, I was able to self-publish the Genealogical Directory of Black Families of Polk County from this directory with the help of Dr. LaWanna Blount.

Vanesa Brasher, the Features/Special Section Editor for the Polk County Enterprise dated March 17, 2005, wrote an article about my seeking information on Blacks. Then, Norma Hammond McLoughlin shared her research that she had collected over many years, including a book she had written about Leggett.

When I think of heritage, I think of people who have been so gracious, so loving and so kind. I think of family, friends, lifelong neighbors such as the Horace Leggett Family, The Pete Glover Family and now the next generation Carolyn Glover Hockley and her husband, Ralph. People I love and will always love. I have discovered that all things work together for good. Leggett is home sweet home, a place that I love. Speaking of family, thanks and love to Richard Ballou, Charlotte Holman, Santana Ballou, Veronica Ballou, Keyuna Hasting and Aliza Hasting.

In an issue of the Polk County Enterprise from August of 1975, there was a picture and an article about my dad, Sam F. Davis that I just love. He was sitting on our front porch reading his favorite book, The Bible, his favorite past time. This article so inspired me, I cut it out of the paper over 45 years ago and saved it.

My dad said that the railroad that is right in front of his home was put through around 1898. John Calvin Leggett (Horace Leggett’s father) and Ralph Leggett (Horace Leggett’s uncle) donated land for the right of

way to the Southern Pacific Railroad.

This land, next to what was once Highway 35, ran in front of the Leggett General Store and down our dirt road now called Glover Road. My dad went on to say that it was a narrow gauge until about 1902 when the first wide gauge engine traversed that road.

He told of how people shared their produce and how people did not charge for what they had, and others needed. All you had to do was come with your wagon. Daddy set aside part of his land for a one-acre fruit orchard, as he shared what was his with others. We had the most delicious pears, plums and pecans. We had hickory nut trees close to our cotton field near the new highway. If papa was sick, he said people would work or gather his crop for him.

Daddy was proud and spoke often about how we have always had our freedom here in Texas. He said that white people who came here told him of the slavery in other states, such as Georgia. Looking back, I realize there was slavery in Polk County Texas too, just not on our “Dirt Road.”

There once were lots of people living in Leggett, and there were many homes on this dirt road, my dad continued. Some homes were moved or torn down. People left when they could not get anything for their crops in Leggett or when the boll weevils destroyed the cotton or when the New Willard Sawmill two miles south of Leggett closed, and later when giant Lumber Companies bought out the many small sawmills. My dad laughed, maybe he should leave too if he weren’t so old.

My dad actually was a very happy man and never wanted to leave Leggett

I used to love to hear my daddy tell the story about the comet that passed through Leggett around 1908 or 1909, “It looked like a ball of fire and had a long tail.” He said that during that time there was talk from many about people joining the church.

My dad said he was standing right on the railroad when the comet fell and the whole earth lit up. People thought Judgment Day was coming. He thought about it with a smile, and then he said he wondered how many people left the church right after that since the world didn’t end. ■

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CTE SPOTLIGHT - PHARMACY TECH

Class of 2020 LHS alumni Kaylin Davalos is working at Walmart Pharmacy as a Pharmacy Technician Trainee. She began working at the Pharmacy in May right after the school year officially ended. Davalos started taking health science classes her freshman year through the Career & Technical Education (CTE) Department at Livingston High School and entered the Pharmacy Tech program her senior year.

The Pharmacy Technician Program at Livingston High School is a 180-hour program over a 36-week period available to seniors. The objective of the program is to equip students with knowledge, technical skills, and work habits required for an entry-level position in the pharmacy field or a related area. Kali Laird, Livingston High School Pharmacy

Tech teacher and Health Science Department head says, "Our teaching techniques encourage active student participation and may include group discussions and projects, laboratory work, simulations, demonstrations, field trips, guest speakers, and lectures. A strong emphasis is placed on ethics, accountability, professionalism, and the individual's commitment to pursue lifelong personal and professional development."

Davalos feels that the courses she took at LHS were a good preparation for her job. She plans to take the state Pharmacy Technician exam in February 2021.



Walmart Pharmacist Jeff Plunkett and Phillis Dugas pictured with Kaylin Davalos, Pharmacy Technician Trainee.

LION COUNTRY CALENDAR

Monday, December 14, 2020

TCE- 12 Days of Christmas- Christmas Flannel Day
CSE- 12 Days of Christmas- Monday Mad about Plaid
PRP- Grinch Day
4:30 pm- LJH- Boys 8th A/B vs Splendor @ LHS
5:00 pm- LJH- Boys 7th A/B vs Splendor @ LJH
5:00 pm- LJH- Girls 7th/8th A/B Basketball @ Splendor
Tuesday, December 15, 2020
LHSA- Biology I/Make-Up
STAAR
TCE- 12 Days of Christmas- Tinsel Tuesday
CSE- 12 Days of Christmas - Oh Christmas Tree Topper
PRP- Santa's Workshop
5:00 pm- LHS Boys JV/V Basketball vs Onalaska
5:00 pm- LHS Girls JV/V Soccer vs Jasper
6:00 pm- LHS Boys JV/V Soccer @ Huntsville

Wednesday, December 16, 2020

TCE- The Twelve Days of Christmas- Dress like Your Favorite Holiday Character
CSE- 12 Days of Christmas-Polar Express Day
PRP- Baby, It's Cold Outside

Thursday, December 17, 2020

TCE- The Twelve Days of Christmas-Twas the Night before Christmas
CSE- 12 Days of Christmas- Tacky Sweater Day
PRP- Holiday Cheer
5:00 pm- LHS Boys JV/V Soccer vs Splendor

Friday, December 18, 2020

LISD Professional Development Day
4:30 pm- LHS- Lady Lions Fr/JV/V Basketball @ Hamshire Fannett

4:30 pm- LHS Boys Fr/JV/V Basketball vs Hamshire Fannett

Saturday, December 19, 2020

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Members of LHS Chorale Headed to State



ALL STATE AUDITION - JANUARY 8 LHS Chorale members Tucker Cherry, Madison Stork, Jo'Hannah Proctor, and E.J. Ivey have been selected to advance to the Eastern Area All-State Choir audition to be held on January 8. The Area audition determines membership in the All-State Choir.



REGIONAL BAND SELECTIONS Livingston Junior High band students were recently selected as members of the ATSSB JH Band. Amanda Nettles (3rd Chair, 8th grade, Flute), Carlos Anguiano (11th Chair, 8th grade, Clarinet), David Solano (16th Chair, 7th grade, Clarinet), Shelby Sandoval (17th Chair, 7th grade, Clarinet), Matthew Jordan (1st Chair, 8th grade, Alto Saxophone), Joshua Negrete (5th Chair, 8th grade, Alto Saxophone), Elijah James (4th Chair, 8th grade, Trumpet), Ryan Snook (15th Chair, 8th grade, Trumpet), Larissa Gearhart (2nd Chair, 8th grade, Horn), Danielle Dickens (7th Chair, 8th grade, Trombone), Eduardo Merino (11th Chair/First Alternate, 8th grade, Trombone).

The Berlin Airlift of 1948

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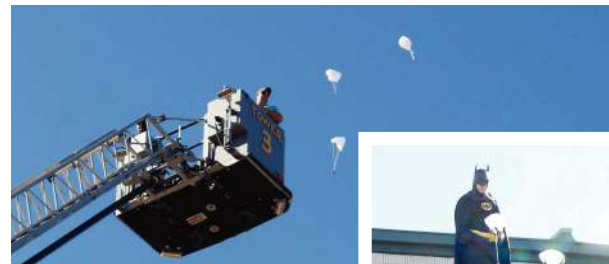
Students at Creekside Elementary campus are learning about aerospace. A curriculum taught called Aerospace Connections in Education is being taught through an educational division of the Civil Air Patrol by

specials teachers, Coach Justice, Valdez, Bily, Cozart and Mrs. Wright. Activities are scheduled each Thursday to highlight different lessons. Two weeks ago, students learned about Gail Halvorsen, the Candy Bomber or Chocolate Pilot.

As part of the lesson, students made a parachute as their activity. This past Thursday, the students were planning to complete their parachutes but they were surprised with the launching of their parachutes from the Livingston Fire Department ladder truck.



Creekside classes took turns catching a parachute released from the Livingston Fire Department ladder truck. What happens if your parachute lands on the roof? Batman recovers it, of course!



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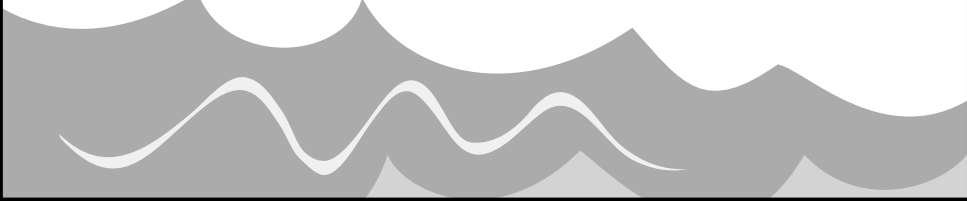
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Thoughts of the Week: *IT'S CHRISTMAS*



By Brett Lester, Pastor
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"It's Christmas!" What a wonderful phrase...or an awful phrase...or a phrase that brings reflection and great joy. "It's Christmas" might

be what we say after the Thanksgiving meal...or, for some, just after Halloween. It's a reminder of twinkling lights, of festive songs, of presents and tress. It is a reminder of the importance of family and friends, of celebrations and parties. It brings back the smells and tastes of Grandma's pies, of candy canes and hot chocolate. It takes us back to some of our best memories and gives us the opportunity to make even more. It allows us to celebrate, decorate, and commemorate all the things that make the season special. None of these things are wrong...they are truly special

moments...but are they the reason we celebrate?

"It's Christmas" could be what someone says when they are encouraging you to let loose and have fun. It's Christmas, so go ahead and have another drink or two, even if you are driving home. It's Christmas, so go ahead and kiss that girl in your office under the mistletoe even though you are married and have a family at home. It's Christmas, so go ahead and eat another piece of pie, or two, or three. (Sorry, as a Baptist, this is always where my mind goes!). It's Christmas, so spend more than you should, go into debt

and be unable to do the things you truly need to do financially. Isn't it sad...tragic and depraved, really...that we could use the birth of the Savior of the world as an excuse to do things that we normally would think are wrong? Do we really believe the best way to honor the Christ child is to do things that He expressly tells us we shouldn't do?

"It's Christmas", however, has so much potential this season. It could remind us of the prophecies promising the coming Messiah, that "unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given. And His name will be Wonderful, Counselor, the

Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." It could remind us of that glorious night over 2000 years ago...of a inn with no room, a manger, of angels and shepherds, of Mary treasuring all these things in her heart. It could remind us that the baby would grow to a perfect, sinless man who taught us the way to have relationship with the Father once again. It could remind us that Jesus then made that way possible through His death on the cross...that He took my sin, shame and punishment in order to give me hope through the free gift of salvation. It could remind us of

the call to live faithfully, to be in the Word and in prayer and to serve others. It could remind us that one day He is coming again to take us home.

"It's Christmas!" How will you say it this year?



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Pastor Elder Johnny K. Johnson, Jr.; 308 S. West St. Corrigan; 936-398-4583; Wed Bible Study 6-7:30pm; Sun. School 9:30-11am, Sunday Worship 11am.

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FM 296, Goodrich, 936-365-2052; Pastor: Rev. Paul High; Sunday School 9:45am; Worship 11:30am; Wed. Prayer Meeting 7pm; Bible Study 7:30pm; Choir Rehearsal 8:15pm

Onalaska First Baptist

463 S. FM 356, 646-3378; Pastor Allen Bramlett; Sun. School 9:40am, Morning worship 11am; Sun. Eve. worship 6pm; Wed. GAs & RAs 6pm Youth & prayer meeting 7pm

Pine Forest Baptist

Pastor Sean Ferry; 10537 US Hwy 190W in Onalaska, 646-4803; Sun. School 9:00am, Worship 10am; Sun. Evening 6:00pm; Wed. evening 6:00pm

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Pastor David Jones; 327-5989; Sun. School 9:45am; Morn. Worship 11am; Sun. evening 6pm; Wed. prayer meeting 6pm

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Wakefield Baptist Church

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Winnie Street Baptist

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- Catholic -

St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Livingston
Father Iarsisius Puling, S.V.D.; 2590 Hwy. 190 W. Sun.-English Mass, 9am, Sun. Spanish Mass 11am Sat. English Mass 5:30pm; 967-8385

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- Church of Christ -
Corrigan Church Of Christ,
Preacher Robert Rail, 936-398-2269, Hwy 287 West at Eden St., Corrigan, TX 75939. Sun. Bible Classes 9:30am, Worship Service 10:30am, Evening Service 5:00pm, Wed. Bible Classes 7pm

Livingston Church Of Christ
Lindell Mitchell, Minister; 1101 W. Church St., Sun. Bible classes 9am; Sun. morning Worship 10am; Sun. evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible classes 7:00pm

Northside Church Of Christ
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Oak Grove Church Of Christ
190E. 7 mi. E of Livingston, 9am Sun. School, 10am Church, 6pm Eve. Worship; Evangelist/Minister Mike Miller.

Onalaska Church Of Christ
13570 US Hwy. 190 West in Onalaska, 936-646-3517, Minister Gary Bodine, Sun. Worship Services 10am and 6pm, Bible Classes for all ages: Sun. 9am and Wed. 6:30pm

Pine Grove Church Of Christ
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The West End Church Of Christ
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Lake Livingston Church of God
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Revival Center Church of God of Onalaska
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- Church of God in Christ -
Bibleway
Church of God in Christ
251 Loop 116 Livingston; Pastor Lawrence Brackens; 832-330-8802; Sunday School 9:45 am, Sunday Morning Worship 11:45 am; Bible Study Tues 7:00 pm

Creekwood
Church of God in Christ
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Guiding Star

Church of God In Christ
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Holy Ground International

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Smith Memorial

Church of God in Christ
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- Cowboy Church -

Polk County Cowboy Church
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Ridin' on Faith Cowboy Church

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259 FM 350 N., Sunday Ser. 9:45am Worship 11:00am; Pastor Tommy Bacon (713) 384-9338.

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Hickory Grove Church

FM 1988; Sunday School 10am, Morning Worship 11am; Sunday Evening 5pm; Wednesday 7pm Pastor Wayne Landrum.

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Lots

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
Storage Plus Of Livingston unit contents of the following customers containing household and other goods that will be sold for cash by Storage Plus Of Livingston to satisfy a lien starting on December 12th, 2020 and ending on December 26th, 2020 at approx. 12:30 pm at www.storageetreasures.com (Allen Bennigat; Karina A Dammian; Tabitha Felder; Ozzie Hernandez; Camesha Betty; Cody Young; Bambi Brown; Michael Crane; Starla Smith; Brian S Orn.) (50-2-B)

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