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CEDRIC STOUT Orange County WWII Veteran, Pearl Harbor survivor at 100

DAVE ROGERS
For The Record

What's the secret to living to be 100 years old?

Bridge City's Cedric Stout, who turns 100 on Sunday, Nov. 7, is like a cat with many lives.

"I've done died so many times," he said the other day. "I died from sea sickness so many times in the Navy. Sometimes I'd go without food for a week, I was so sick.

"And it didn't matter if I was up on deck, or below deck, I'd get sick. If you've never been seasick, it's one of the worst kinds of sick there is."

Of course, when it comes to near death experiences, Stout is better known by most of his neighbors for surviving the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941 that sunk his ship, the USS Utah, in 10 minutes and left 57 of its 471 crew members dead.

That surprise sunrise attack on the huge Naval Base in Hawaii launched the United States into World War II.

Ironic, though, that a man who spent most of his six years in the Navy bouncing up and down on the waves of the Pacific Ocean was seasick a good deal of the time.

Stout was one of the lucky crewmen who dodged Japanese machine gun fire to run across deck and slide down the Utah's mooring lines to take cover just minutes before the Utah, hit by multiple torpedo bombers, rolled over and sank.

After Dec. 7, the engine room mechanic was assigned to a succession of destroyer tenders, supply ships, transports and even a 200-foot tug.

He was making his final naval voyage when he had another death-defying experience.

"I don't know how I made it," he said last Saturday as his wife's small poodle, Sara, sat in his lap.

"I was on the fantail dumping some stuff out the back and I didn't see a big



Cedric Stout of Bridge City, who will be 100 years old Sunday, Nov. 7, still regularly mows his lawn and assists wife Cherry with other household chores. RECORD PHOTO: Dave Rogers



World War II veteran Cedric Stout was honored at Tuesday night's Bridge City Council meeting with a proclamation honoring his 100th birthday, a key to the city and a reception with cake and punch. RECORD PHOTO: Dave Rogers

wave coming. The wave hit me and took the garbage can and knocked me into the gun turret.

"Somehow, my hand got hooked on the gun turret. I don't know how. But if I hadn't, I'd have fallen right over on the screws and those

big propellers would have ground me up."

Stout was raised in Leonville, Louisiana, a farming community near Opelousas. His sharecropping family worked the fields by hand. Their home had no electricity and no indoor plumbing.

"We stayed barefoot most of the time," he recalls.

At 17, in the heart of the Depression, Stout left home to join the Civilian Conservation Corps, a public works program for unemployed,

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Capt. Dickie Colburn was a beloved weekly fishing columnist for the County Record and Penny Record newspapers.

RICHARD "DICKIE" COLBURN Fishing guide "will be missed"

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Dickie Colburn "could tell a joke like nobody else," Frank Beauchamp said the other day.

Beauchamp, who was Colburn's lifelong friend, could never get enough of his friend's company and sadly, won't ever be able to.

Colburn, longtime Southeast Texas fishing guide and outdoors columnist for The Record Newspapers, died Wednesday, Oct. 27 in a traffic accident.

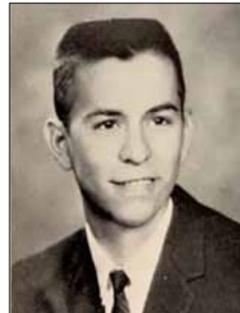
He was 75. "We lost a good man, that's all I can say," said Beauchamp, the retired heavy equipment salesman who is married to Orange County Commissioner Theresa Beauchamp.

"Dickie was a good way in every way you can count."

Beauchamp was a football teammate of Colburn at Orange Stark High School and his roommate when they each went to the University of Texas on football scholarships.

Roy Dunn, publisher of The Record Newspapers, echoed Beauchamp's regret.

"I didn't want to believe the news that Dickie had left



Richard Colburn Jr.
1964 Orange Peel Yearbook



Frank Beauchamp
1964 Orange Peel Yearbook

us," Dunn said. "He's the last person I would have believed would have lost his life due to an accident. As a guide, he was always cautious and alert.

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New hotels, homes seek City of Orange OK

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For The Record

Orange could be getting nearly 200 new hotel rooms and up to 150 new homes.

Those were among the items on the agenda for Tuesday night's City of Orange Planning and Zoning Commission to consider.

ISHA Investments LLC is seeking a rezoning request so that it may build two or more hotels and a restaurant south of the Pilot Travel Center on Texas Route 62.

The owner, who also owns the Quality Inn and Suites in Bridge City, has told the city he already has a commitment from Marriott to build

a Marriott Townplace Suites on the Route 62 site and is negotiating to also build a Hilton Home Suites property on the 8.5-acre tract.

That location is south of the intersection of 62 and Interstate 10, on the opposite side of Route 62 from the proposed Medical Center.

Also Tuesday night, the

P&Z was to consider a plat for J. Breaux Enterprises LLC to build Orange Gardens subdivision on 14.5 acres just west of the intersection of Route 62 and FM 105.

Phase 1 of that subdivision would include 75 homes, with 75 more homes to be built in Phase 2.

The subdivision mostly

lies in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Orange while some is in the city limits. It all must be annexed into the city.

As proposed, it would initially contract with Orangefield Water Supply Corporation for water and sewer systems but would transition to City of Orange services when

they are extended to that area.

The city currently has plans to bring water and sewer lines to the Chevron property at Texas 87 and 105, west of the Orange Gardens location - if Chevron Phillips Chemical decides to

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Bridge City experiencing new progress and growth

From the Mayor's desk Bridge City Mayor David Rutledge



As you drive around your neighborhoods and city streets and highways, you no doubt notice some work going on throughout Bridge City and wonder what is taking place. Well, let me fill you in on some of what's been happening over the last few months and some things you can expect to see in the next few months. Then I'll share some exciting news on something that is coming real soon!

Our City crews have been busy lately, working on a number of projects. The Water & Sewer department has been busy getting water and sewer service ready for all the new houses that are going up around town. In September and October new services were installed for approximately 30 new homes. Our contractors are replacing old and leaking sewer yard lines through a

grant program that helps defray those installation costs and reduce wastewater treatment costs. The crews are methodically changing out non-functioning electronic water meter transmitters to help us keep our meter reading costs down.

The Streets & Drainage folks are equally busy. They have been working diligently to keep our ditches and culverts clean so they are more effective during rain events. In the last two months, they have cleaned over 2000 feet of ditches and over 800 feet of culverts. The crews have also set over 800 feet of new culverts and mowed over 2000 feet of ditches. Street & Drainage crews have been demolishing sub-standard and abandoned houses and other buildings as we get the legal clearances in place. One of these you might have noticed is the old nursing

home on Meadowlawn.

At City Hall, we hope you have had the opportunity to use our drive-through teller for paying your water bills and receiving other services. We recognized the need for this equipment early in the COVID-19 pandemic and used some emergency grant funding to help the public and our employees practice social distancing during the outbreak. The safety of this has been very well received by our citizens, and many people say they will continue to use it for its convenience as well. With all the new homes going up, the Planning and Development folks and building inspectors have been working diligently to

keep things moving for this new construction for our citizens.

A major project that is going to affect us in the coming months is the TxDOT project to widen West Roundbunch/FM1442 from FM408 to FM105. There will also be a continuous turning lane installed to assist traffic flow into and out of our neighborhoods and enhance driving safety along the route. Construction is expected to begin sometime in the spring.

Coming again this year the Chamber of Commerce is hosting the Christmas Parade on the evening of Saturday December 4th. This year's theme is broad and simple: "Texas". I encourage individuals, businesses, and civic organizations to enter a float in the parade, especially one that is theme-based. Contact the Chamber for an application and other information. There is also the "Mayor's Trophy" and a \$200 prize that goes to the entry judged to be "Best in Theme".

Now here's something you definitely don't want to miss! For the first time, Bridge City is having "Christmas in

the Park". This will take place the day before the parade on Friday, December 3rd beginning at 5:00 pm. We'll have school choir children singing Christmas carols at the pavilion. There will be vendor booths in the Community Center and library parking lots with all kinds of arts and crafts, food and drinks, and other entertainment. Around 6:30 pm we will light a beautiful 23 feet tall Christmas tree near the pavilion. For vendor booth information, contact City Hall at 735-6801. This

event is being run by volunteers who answered the call to bring this to our citizens. If you'd like to help, please contact City Hall.

I'll update you again next month on more happenings around Bridge City. I urge you to make plans to come out to "Christmas in the Park" and the Christmas Parade. You still have time to get a booth for the tree lighting and to build a float for the parade. These are definitely events you won't want to miss!

New hotels, homes Orange County From Page 1



Hilton Home Suites.

construct a plant on the land between the county airport and Chemical Row.

"This is just more of an example of the growth the City of Orange is experiencing and I think it'll be a great addition for the city," Orange Planning Director Kelvin Knauf said.

The Orange City Council and Planning and Zoning

Commission held a joint meeting Tuesday night.

Among other business to be considered was an ordinance that would restrict recreational vehicle parks, as well as campgrounds, within city limits to property located on Highway 62.

Much of the growth plans are because of anticipated projects by Chevron Phillips

Chemical and Entergy Texas that could bring as many as 17,000 temporary workers to the area. The workers, however, would not all be in the area at the same time.

Some of the workers will look to live close to the job-sites. Others will choose to commute.

"People have vacant lots in the heart of the city and want to put up an RV park. That's not allowed," Knauf said.

"We're also expecting someone will put up worker camps. We're trying to anticipate future growth."

Paperwork turned in to the city with the rezoning request by ISHA Investment LLC include a map of the property with as many as three hotel sites noted. Each could be as tall as five stories.

One of the sites is listed for 110 keys (rooms), the other two for 80 keys (rooms) each.

There is not one but two 8,750-square foot structures marked "Restaurant/Commercial."

Information included calls for "Total Planned Buildout" of 169,000 square feet.

The Orange Gardens development plat shows mostly lots of 50 feet by 120 feet,

with notes estimating each home to be valued at \$200,000.

Multiply that by 75 homes and the estimated tax base for Phase One is \$15 million.

HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY WWII VETERAN CEDRIC STOUT



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and Women Who Served,
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**BRIDGE CITY MAYOR
DAVID RUTLEDGE**

Orange County Judge John Gothia

**HAPPY 100th BIRTHDAY
CEDRIC STOUT**
WWII VETERAN / PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR

St. Paul UMC Holiday Bazaar NOV. 13

The 5th Annual St Paul UMC Holiday Bazaar is Saturday November 13th from 9 am -2 pm. We have dozens of local vendors ready to jumpstart your holiday shopping. We will also have pulled pork sandwiches for sale for only \$5. Come join us and shop local business and enjoy the start of the holiday season!!!!

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Dickie Colburn From Page 1

“He was easy to laugh. It came natural to him. My sincere condolences to his family and many followers, who looked forward each week to reading his column. He will be missed by many.”

Capt. Chuck Uzzle’s weekly column in The Record Newspapers this week is a tribute to Colburn.

He lauds his mentor’s lessons if not always his cheery countenance.

“I would best describe Dickie as an ‘old stale Twinkie’ because he was

crusty on the outside but incredibly soft in the middle,” Uzzle wrote.

Beauchamp was a center and linebacker on a Stark Tigers team that won back-to-back district championships in 1962 and 1963. He was named all-state.

Colburn was a guard on offense and linebacker on those same teams. They were even side by side for the team photo. Both were all-district picks and in 1964 they joined a Tiger teammate, guard C.E. Riggs, in earning scholar-

ships from Coach Darrell Royal to the state’s flagship university and football team.

“We went to school together in junior high and high school. We had some real good teams and great coaches during those years,” Beauchamp recalls.

“Then we both got scholarships to Texas. I left after the first semester and finished playing ball at Stephen F. Austin. I think Dickie stayed at Texas another semester before he finished up at McNeese.”



Dickie Colbert (right) and Frank Beauchamp listen to Coach Bill Hammond during a 1963 Stark High football game in a photo copied from the 1964 Orange Peel yearbook.

Beauchamp says in Austin the night life was the good life, but not for the academics.

“Dickie and I were real good friends, but having us room together was probably the worst thing they could’ve done.

“We were two kids from Orange, Texas, who hadn’t

seen much in life. We got up to Austin and there was too much to see. We didn’t put our mind to studying.”

Both Colburn and Beauchamp went into coaching after their playing days but each abandoned it soon and eventually moved back to Orange.

“We would see each other

and get together from time to time,” Beauchamp said. “We’d fish together sometimes. But he was busy guiding.

“He was one hell of a fishing guide. I wish I could’ve spent more time with him on the water.

“He was a hell of a guy. He will be missed.”



Bridge City Mayor David Rutledge, left, presents Pearl Harbor survivor Cedric Stout with a photo of the USS Utah, Stout’s ship that didn’t survive the Japanese attack of Dec. 7, 1941.

RECORD PHOTO: Dave Rogers

WWII Vet Cedric Stout From Page 1

unmarried men. With the CCC, he spent time building parks in Oregon.

He returned to Louisiana and enlisted in the Navy.

“There was a big sign in Opelousas,” Stout recalled. “This guy on the sign was pointing at me, saying ‘We want you!’ so I piddled around and went and joined.”

On leave in 1944, Stout married Delma Courville of Sunset, Louisiana, and the couple had nine children, all of whom attended Bridge City schools.

That large family is one of the reasons for his long life, says his second wife, Cherry, a Port Arthur native Stout married after Delma passed away in 1999.

“He’s got a big family, between his kids and mine,” she said. “You get better or else.”

After the war, Stout drove a city bus in Port Arthur for two years before becoming a salesman for a grocery wholesaler, retiring in 1988.

With grandchildren and now great-grandchildren to visit, he’s stayed busy.

“I retired, so now I just work around the house,” Stout said.

When not working, he en-

joys time in his sunroom full of blooming plants and flowers. He likes to watch sports on TV sometimes and ends every night watching western movies, he said.

Every day for Stout begins about 6 a.m.

“He gets up and takes the dog out,” Cherry said. “Then he and the dog go back to bed.

“We watch [Catholic] Mass together at 7 every morning.”

On a typical day last week, Stout at a waffle for breakfast with peanut butter and jelly. For lunch, he had a Whataburger. When he decided it was too large for him, he crumbled up what was left of the hamburger patty and gave it to Sara, the dog.

“I keep him busy,” Cherry said. “He just thinks he’s going to rest.”

Stout still cuts the grass on his home’s corner lot sitting astride his gleaming green and gold John Deere riding lawnmower.

“I decided I’m not running the weed-eater anymore,” he confessed.

But Cedric Stout’s run is apt to continue for a good many more years.

“I have a pacemaker for my

heart and I have to get it checked out every so often,” Stout said. “The last time, the doctor said it was still good for a few more years, and so am I.”

With Pearl Harbor Day’s 80th anniversary coming next month, the U.S. Navy has again invited Bridge City’s Stout to Hawaii to take part in the official remembrance ceremony.

He believes he’s the last living member of the USS Utah crew.

But he won’t be going. Just as he’s turned down similar invitations in the past.

Maybe it’s all those years sloshing around at sea without solid ground to walk on. Maybe it’s the appreciation for what he has in Southeast Texas.

“I’ve seen the whole thing on TV [the movie ‘Pearl Harbor’] two or three times,” he said.

Was the movie realistic? “Ohhhh, yes, it was terrible. We were lucky we got out of there. I just don’t want to go back.”

Friends of the Orange Depot to meet Nov. 4th

The next meeting of the Friends of the Orange Depot will be held on Thursday, November 4, 5:30PM at the Depot at 1210 Green Avenue. Refreshments will be served beforehand to celebrate the success of Depot Day 2021! All interested volunteers are welcome to attend, to help us with upcoming events such as Christmas at the Depot on Sunday, December 7. On the agenda is an election of officers so all board members are encouraged to attend so we will have a quorum. For information, call 409-330-1576 or click www.orangetxdepot.org.

First Saturday Give Away

November 6 at First Baptist Church, 200 W Roundbunch, coats, sweaters and jackets will be given away in the parking lot from 11 am - 1 pm. Bibles, children’s books and religious pamphlets will also be free. Look for the blue canopy.



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From The Creaux's Nest

PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR TURNS 100

For the last 28 years, on November 7, we have been acknowledging **Cedric Stout's** birthday and his surviving **Pearl Harbor**. He was 72 then, more than life expectancy at the time. The years have flown by and with the help of wife **Cherry**, **Cedric** has kept himself in reasonably fair health. He is the area's only **Pearl Harbor** survivor, and only one of two sailors that still survive the attack on the **Utah**. He is being honored this week by both the city of **Bridge City**, according to **Mayor David Rutledge**, and a special recognition by **Orange County**, led by **Judge John Gothia**. A special birthday party is planned Saturday for family and lifetime friends. We join in celebrating the life of this WWII hero. We pray he will continue to be blessed with good health.****I must move along, I promise it won't do you no harm.

DICKIE COLBURN

EXAMPLE OF CHARACTER AND PRINCIPLE

We are having a hard time getting over the accidental death of **Dickie Colburn**. He was truly a special person in so many ways. He wasn't only a good church-going Christian, but in his life he demonstrated his Christian ways by his actions. Everyone should hope that their child will grow up to have the goodness and principal that he displayed everyday. I don't know that I've ever known any other person that made it part of his life to treat everyone with so much dignity. He was a good example on how to live a decent, uncomplicated life. His personality revealed itself in his writings. We are re-running his last column in case you missed it and also to demonstrate his compassion and goodness. This world has lost a special, honest and humble man that will be truly missed. May he rest in peace. Please see obituary.

TURNING BACK THE HANDS OF TIME 10 Years Ago-2011

At **Bridge City** Wednesday, Nov. 9, at 2:10 p.m., three **Cardinal** baseball players will sign to play college baseball. **Cameron Dishon**, Ole' Miss, **Jacob Lemoine**, U. of Houston and **Matt Menard** will take his baseball talent to Baylor.******Dr. Conrad Murray**, 58, was found guilty of involuntary manslaughter in the death of **Michael Jackson**, "King of Pop." **Murray** was accused of giving **Jackson** a lethal dose of a powerful anesthetic. He could get four years in prison.****We were sorry to hear about the death of **Smokin' Joe Frazier**, 67, who lost his battle with cancer. I will never forget the "Thrilla in Manila" when **Joe beat Muhammad Ali**. **Frazier** was a great heavy weight-boxing champion and a great class guy but spent his life in the shadow of **Ali**. He died Monday, Nov. 7, after a brief battle with liver cancer.****The death of **Andy Rooney**, 92, is another loss of one of our national treasures. His kind doesn't come around but once in a lifetime. He was an original, going back to WWII.***** I found the following interesting. In 1948, **A.F. Burns** compiled the following information for the **Chamber of Commerce** directory, "Orange, the Gateway to Texas, the City of Your Future." Population in the 1940 U.S. census, 7,472, estimate in 1947, 35,000. That was after the war years. During the war, up to 1945, the population was estimated to be over 70,000. Climate: annual temperature 68.26 degrees F. Here is what might surprise you, the annual rainfall 48.7 inches. What is significant is that in the last 30 years our annual rainfall has ranged from 63 inches to 77 inches a year. It might be that we are not in a drought but just returning to what is normal, somewhere around 50 inches of rain a year. The last few decades we have been getting way more rain than we should have. I certainly like it better when it rains too much but I understand it will be several years before we're abnormal in rainfall again. So get used to normal rainfall, about 20 inches less of rain annually.****Congrats to **Bree Fontenot**, **Bridge City** Cross Country runner. **Bree**, who came in second at regional, is the only **Orange County** runner to make it to the state meet.****Commissioners Court honored **Virgie Scales**, age 100, with a proclamation this week. **Ms. Virgie**, who was a **Mansfield** from **Duncan Woods**, is the sister of the late County Commissioner **Asa Mansfield** and also married into the **Scales** family, **Orange Oilfield** pioneers.****CREAUX'S TIP OF THE WEEK: Spray a bit of perfume on the light bulb in any room to create a lovely light scent when the light is turned on. Works as well as burning a candle.****On Nov. 8, 1960, **John F. Kennedy**, 43, defeated **Richard Nixon** to become the youngest and first and only Catholic president.

18 Years Ago-2003

Orange County sailor, **Eddie Parks**, marries **Michigan** Marine, **Jennifer "Jenn" Patterson**, on Nov. 9 at **Brown Center**. The couple will remain in the service. They had known each other over three years and met in **Kuwait**.****

All State **Jessica Lemoine**, a **Bridge City** baseball catcher, has received a full scholarship in sports and academics from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. She is the daughter of **Jody** and **Wendie Lemoine** and the granddaughter of **Billye Minter** and **Louis** and **Mildred Lemoine**. Her brother **Jordan** is a freshman at **Bridge City**.******A LITTLE ABOUT THE PROFESSIONALS**. The folks at **Bridge City Bank** are **Jerry Davidson**, president; **Keith Fontenot**, vice president, **Phyllis Brint**, vice president, **Ben D. Organ, Jr.**, commercial lender, **Thad Angelle**, lender, **Mike McGee**, lender.******A NEW RESTAURANT OPENS**: **Robert Ramirez**, owner of **Robert's Meat Market**, opens a new restaurant and steak house in **Pinehurst** adjacent to his store. The restaurant will open its doors Nov. 17. A few featured steaks on the menu will be 32 oz. Porterhouse, 20 oz. T-Bones and a 12 oz. Filet Mignon. (Editor's note: Fast forward 18 years; **Robert's Restaurant** is being remodeled after fire damage.)

48 Years Ago-1973

Bridge City football coach, **H.W. "Chief" Wilson**, has coached his last season. He had high hopes to return to the state playoffs but missed by one game. He said this group was his best since the 1966 state championship team. The majority of senior **Cardinals** have been playing together since the **PeeWee** days. The seniors say they are like brothers. They are **Kenny Brown**, **Mark Truncle**, **Bo Worrell**, **Terry Bridgers**, **John Clinton**, **Steve Trevino**, **Jimmy Lacomb**, **Steve Culp**, **Langston Fall**, **Chuck Majors**, **Clint Belk**, **Jimmy Talbert**, **David Guidry**, **Mark Dunn**, **Craig Turner**, **Mark Flanagan**, **Darell Melancon** and **David Smith**. (Editor's note: Those were a great bunch of youngsters but on the field they were tough. A bunch of poor boys that came up rough. They are one of the top defenses **Bridge City** ever produced. They didn't allow a point in their first seven games. Back then only one team out of a district went to the playoffs. **West Orange-Stark** beat the "Wild Bunch" in the last game of the season and went on to represent the district.)****Twirlers at **Bridge City High** are **Tracy Stout**, **Sharon Primeaux**, **Jonell Chauvin**, **Debbie Newsom**, **Sharon Clark**, **Melanie McClain**, **Mary Henderson** and **Debbie Voochries**.

A FEW HAPPENINGS

My thoughts this morning are about **Frank Beauchamp**, **Dickie Colburn's** lifelong friend going back to **Stark High** football. **Judge Sid Caillavet**, **Joe Blanda** and I drove to **El Campo** for the famous game that the **Stark Tigers** lost to **Pharr-San Juan-Alamo**, in the state semi-final game. **Frank** and **Dickie** went on to play collage football and to coaching.****Let me tell you about our friend **Doctor Tom Johnson**, **Lamar Orange** president. I've never known anyone who loves their job more than **Doc**. He's 24-7 promoting his college. He never stops or slows down. I don't believe he would trade his job for any other. There are some great things coming to **Lamar Orange** because of **Johnson's** promoting the local college. You've heard of the hot dog eating championship, but I bet you didn't know **Dr. Johnson** is the boudin eating champion. Raised in **Port Arthur** on **Nick's** and **Judice's** boudin, he can knock out a dozen balls in three minutes. I just love this guy. Here is a side note: Last week at the **Gatemouth Brown** ribbon cutting, **Gates** brother, **Bobby Brown**, was in attendance. What you might not know is that **Bobby** also was a great musician and many years ago he was leader of the house band at **Lou-Ann's** club on **IH-10**, owned by **Alton Steward**.****A few folks we know celebrating in the next few days. **Nov. 3**: Happy Birthday to **Joe Palaex**, **Mary's** special daughter **Debbie Stanton**, **Dave Carlton**, and **Vickie Lowe**.******Nov. 4**: Celebrating today **Louise Fusilier**, **Kim Moore**, **Wanda Shugart**, **Pam Guyote**, and **Gail Hass**. Happy Anniversary to **David** and **Harriet Dubose**.******Nov. 5**: Happy Birthday **Kember Ess**, **Chris Rogers**, **Gina Beaulieu**, **Camden Walton**, **Sharon Primeaux** and **Margaret Thibodeaux**.******Nov. 6**: Former commissioner, **CPA**, **John Dubose**, celebrates today. Also having birthdays are **Lori Chesson**, **Carolyn Phelps**, **Jackie Litton** and port commissioner **Johnny Montagne, Jr.** Happy Anniversary to **Tammy** and **Shawn Davis**.******Nov. 7**: **Pearl Harbor** survivor **Cedric Stout**, is 100-years-old today. Also **Rodney Mosier**, **Chuckie Ganze** and former longtime lawman **Wilson Roberts**, the first and oldest living **Bridge City** police chief. Also **Wilson** met **Veronica** on his birthday and that date was so special, he got a saw mill license, good for two days, and married **VJ**, the next day. Happy 33rd anniversary to our longtime friends.******Nov. 8**: Happy Birthday to **Keith Longlois**, **Dixie Brint** and **Debra Burch**.******Nov. 9**: Celebrating today are **Madalyn Carpenter**, **Jennifer Chaknine**, **Susan Veillon**, **Charlotte Wooten**, **Linda Faulk**, **Eric Meadows** and **Keith Royal**.**** Over the last 20 or so years, the city of **Bridge City** has been one of the best run cities in the county, from mayors and council to city managers. **Jerry Jones** has done a yeoman's job as city manager. He has announced he is retiring Jan. 14, 2022. **Jerry** will be missed. He saw the city through several storms and floods. He has made more improvements with water, drainage and sewer than all the years before him. Another loss is longtime public servant **Lucy Fields**, who resigned her council post this week. Happy sailing to both of them and thanks.****Our friend **Mary Alice Hartsfield** underwent gall bladder surgery a couple of weeks ago. She is now on the mend. When she's out of commission us old folks feel it. She does so much to help elderly people, including her mom.****I predicted we wouldn't have a hurricane this year but never would have believed **Orange County** would be hit with two tornadoes last week.****The **Houston Astros** have to win two games Tuesday and Wednesday to win the **World Series**. The spirit of **Atlanta's** great **Hank Aaron** has been with the **Braves**. There is no better team to watch than the **Astros** when their hitting is on all cylinders.******Mark Dunn** has quite a story to tell and he's not very kind to **American Airlines**. He left home at 9 a.m. Thursday, prepared to fly out of **Beaumont** to **Dallas**, on his way to **Florida**. He was able to board the plane at 1:16 p.m., only to be stuck in the plane for three hours. They arrived in **Dallas** at 5:29 p.m. and boarded plane to **Florida** at 7:12 p.m. He finally got to **Orlando** at 11 p.m. but unfortunately his luggage didn't make the trip. A driver picked him up in **Orlando** to make the trip to **Vero Beach** and his destination, daughter **Amber's** home. He arrived at 1:00 a.m. **Mark** usually spends his birthday, **Oct. 31**, with **Amber** and her family and to his surprise this year daughter **Jenna** and her family were also able to spend his big day with

him. All ended well. He got to spend his Halloween birthday with his two daughters, two son-in-laws and six of his seven grandchildren. He finally admitted **American Airlines** did the right thing by not taking off in the high winds.****The amendments election turnout was very light in **Orange County** and around the state. Elections were held Tuesday all over the country, some with national attention like the election for governor of **Virginia**, **New Jersey** and **New York City**. **New York** will probably elect a Black, Democratic, mayor, who is a former police officer, and **Boston** will elect its first woman mayor.****A lot more folks are dying from **COVID** than are reported as **COVID** deaths. Some one in **Orange County** dies every week. It's still very dangerous. Most who are dying or end up in the hospital have not been vaccinated.****I don't believe the **United States Supreme Court** will let the decision on **Texas Abortion Law** stand as is. They will find it's too restrictive, plus they will find neighbors spying on neighbors, for a \$10,000 reward, to be wrong and third world.

CELEBRITY BIRTHDAYS

Nov. 3: Actors **Rosanne Barr**, 67; **Dolph Lindgren**, 82; Activist **Elizabeth Smart**, 32.******Nov. 4**: Actors **Mathew McConaughey**, 50; **Ralph Macho**, 58; Comedian **Kathy Griffin**, 59; former First Lady, **Laura Bush**, 73.******Nov. 5**: Rock Singer **Bryan Adams**, 60; Actors **Luke Hemsworth**, 39; **Tatum O'Neal**, 56; **Tilda Swinton**, 59.******Nov. 6**: Actors **Emma Stone**, 33; **Sally Field**, 75; **Ethan Hawke**, 51.******Nov. 7**: Pop Singer **Lorde**, 25; Folk Singer **Joni Mitchell**, 78; Actors **Adam DeVine**, 37 and **Algee Smith**, 27.******Nov. 8**: Chef **Gordon Ramsay**, 55; Country Singer **Lauren Alaina**, 27; Actor **Tara Reid**, 46.******Nov. 9**: Pop Singer **Nick Lachey**, 46; Actors **Lou Ferrigno**, 70 and **Robert David Hall**, 83.

CAJUN STORY OF THE WEEK

Wen Brother **Nolan Gaspard**, a **Penicostal** preacher in **Abbeville**, go visit a new family in town he always has a meal wit dem. He brings hot sauce, **Tabasco** and a few green **Cayenne** peppers and such.

On dis Sunday, Brother **Gaspard** visit a new family from up North, from **Cleveland, Ohio**. Wen dey set da meal, da Preacher, he load his food down wit his Louisiana hot stuff.

Da Yankee family dem, mama, papa and dere teenage boy, figure dey should go along wit da Preacher so dey load dere food down wit **Gaspard's** hot sauce. It was so hot dey couldn't eat it dem.

Da boy axe da Preacher, "You preach hell fire and brimstone and damnation and all dat you?"

"I sure do," said da Preacher, "Dat's my duty to show da peoples wats gonna happen to dem."

Da boy him, say, "Well, I've heard dat all my life but you da first preacher I ever saw dat took his samples along wit him."

POLLS SHOW ABBOTT, O'ROURKE TIED

Gov. Greg Abbott holds a commanding lead over his **Republican** primary opponents but is in a tie with potential **Democratic** challenger **Beto O'Rourke**, according to a poll of registered **Texas** voters. **O'Rourke**, a former congressman from **El Paso**, who is weighing a run for governor in 2022, was the choice of 42 percent of registered voters surveyed earlier this month. A shade behind **Abbott**, who garnered 43 percent support. Another 12 percent were undecided, putting **Abbott** and **O'Rourke** in a virtual dead heat roughly a year before the **November 2022** election. **Abbott**, with 61 percent support among likely primary voters, held a far more comfortable lead over **Republican** opponents **Allen West**, **Don Huffines** and **Chad Prather**. The results put **Abbott** in position to win a majority of votes and avoid a runoff against the second place finisher. In recent months, **Abbott** has focused intently on the surge in migrant encounters along **Texas'** southern border, launching an effort to build a border wall and deploying thousands of law enforcement personnel to arrest migrants. **Abbott's** rightward shift appears to have boosted his chances among **Republican** primary voters. It may have dampened his overall support. **O'Rourke** has yet to announce whether he will run, **Abbott** has already begun targeting him in ads and social media posts. Among **Texas** who voted in 2020, **Abbott** leads **O'Rourke**, 44-43, nearly the same result as the survey of registered voters. The best scenario is that after the primaries **Abbott** will move away from **Trump** as soon as he can. **Trump** gets more toxic every day. The **Big Lie** will be old hat and yesterdays news.

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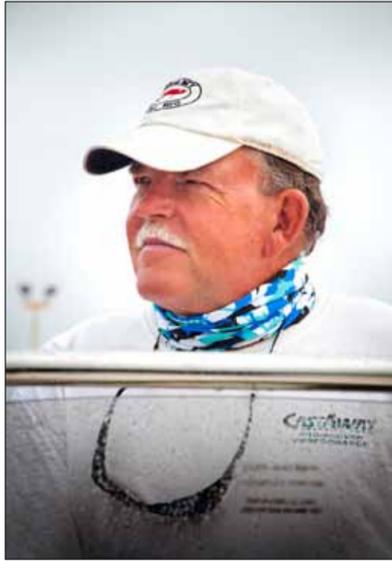
Our friend, longtime district attorney **John Kimbrough**, is a former football referee. He predicts the outcome of Saturday college football games on the Friday night high school game broadcast on **KOGT**. His overall average is pretty good, with one exception; he predicts **U.T.** wins with his heart. Last week, he picked **Texas** over **Baylor**. The **Bears** won 31-24. Also **John** predicted an 8-4 season for the **Longhorns**, **John** and the **Horns** are 4-4. I wonder if he would settle for a 7-5 season, beats 6-6. **Texas** plays **Iowa State** Saturday, they are 5-3. **Texas** is a 9.5 favorite. Maybe that will stop the three consecutive loses with a win. By the way **John**, **Michigan State** beat **Michigan** 37-33. **State** is still undefeated. You were right, it's always a great game to watch. I was forced to watch it because **Dish**, my carrier, is in dispute with **ABC** and **NBC** and has been off the air for a couple of weeks so I had to settle for **Texas-Baylor** on radio and watch the **Michigan** game. I'm thinking about not paying **Dish** the full monthly amount they charge. Well, **John**, keep pitching, you realize it's possible to have an **Iowa State** upset win.****That's all for me. Stay safe and may God bless.



Deaths & Memorials

Richard "Dickie" Colburn, Jr., 75, Orange

Richard Edward "Dickie" Colburn, Jr., 75, of Orange, passed away on October 27, 2021. A celebration of life and interment will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, November 1, 2021, at First Presbyterian Church in Orange. A reception will follow directly after the services in the Gillespie Family Life Center at First Presbyterian Church. Dickie was born in Orange on April 24, 1946, and lived in Orange most of his life. He was a star guard and linebacker at Stark High School, and went on to play football at McNeese State University where he earned all-conference honors. After earning a degree in education at McNeese, he went on to coach in Louisiana at Crowley High, as well as LaGrange High and Barbe High in Lake Charles. In 1977, he moved back to Orange, where he and his wife Karen opened The Fishing Hole, a fishing tackle store. He also became a fixture on the local fishing scene, publishing a fishing column first in The Orange Leader, and later in The County Record, and Texas Saltwater Fishing magazine. He gave the weekly fishing report on KOGT, and shared his love of fishing with hundreds of clients in his over 40 years as a fishing guide. He retired from DuPont after 25 years. He was active in the community as a member of the Orange Boat Club and the CCA, and was a youth sports coach for his grandson's teams. He was a lifelong member of First Presbyterian Church, and served as a deacon and as a trustee. More than anything, Dickie was an educator, coach, and mentor to those around him. Whether it was his family, fishing buddies, or the many people in his church and around the community who he befriended, he was a source of advice, wisdom, support, and some-



times tough love. He was preceded in death by his parents, Richard Edward and Billie Jean Colburn. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Karen Colburn; son, Rafe Colburn and wife Patricia; daughter Terri Hoyland and husband Darren; grandchildren, Andrew Hoyland and Whitley Hoyland, as well as his beloved dog Buck. He is also survived by his siblings, Jeep Colburn and wife Carolyn, and Pauline Hargrove and husband Ricky, along with his nieces and nephews and their families. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to First Presbyterian Church, Orange, Tx.

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Mechanical, Manufacturing, and Maintenance program.

PICTURED ABOVE: Thera Celestine, Director of Community and Workforce Education; Dr. Tom Johnson, President; Kristin Walker, Dean of Health, Workforce, and Technical Studies; Dr. Wendy Elmore, Executive Vice President and Provost. Not pictured: Dr. Keith Jones, Associate Dean of Technical Studies.

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Orange County Church Directory

When Did The Message of Jesus Arrive In Orange? AND WHEN DID IT LEAVE?

Pastor Charles Empey For The Record



Pastor Charles Empey

Orange became a settlement about 1852 and the oldest Baptist Church organized in 1857. It is Old First Orange Baptist Church today.

Luther Memorial Church Building, now the First Presbyterian Church of Orange, Tx, is a historic church at 902 W. Green Avenue in Orange, Texas. It was built in 1912 and added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1982.

The very first New Testament church was established without a building, of course, in Jesus calling out of the 12 Disciples. He trained and empowered them to carry on all that He had established, even telling them that they would do a much larger work than He had done. On the day of Pentecost after Jesus ascended into heaven to sit at the right hand of His and our Father, fulfilled a promise He made in John 14, sending the Holy Spirit upon them empowering them to be a world evangelistic church building in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and into the uttermost parts of the earth. Acts Chapters 1 and 2 record the sending of the Holy Spirit and the empowering of the Disciples enabling Peter to preach the church's first message and the other Disciples joining in spreading through the city of Jerusalem that message of Jesus our redeemer and the call to come and be saved and baptized and go and make yet more disciples, carrying the Gospel upon their lives and voices to all they would come into contact with. Immediately 3000 souls came to Christ and followed Jesus' Apostles/12 Disciples. Out from there in Acts Chapter 8 went Phillip to Samaria with this new heaven sent power and preached the Gospel there and another church is established.

church historically has grown soft and lax in their advancement of the life and salvation of Christ.

Persecution of the churches pressed them to find other places to worship and advance the Gospel ministry, the building of churches. Eventually the "New World" had been discovered that we know as North America. Some of the persecuted and those looking to get out from under the taxing by the King, etc. ended up together on ships crossing the Atlantic. We know them in history as the Pilgrims. They landed and seriously drove their stakes of living into the ground, live or die. Sadly, getting things established took a toll on many lives, but worship, church worship was certainly predominate.

As our nation grew out of the era of the Pilgrims and survived wars and too many hardships to list, we have a Constitution and an established Nation and the United States of America bloomed out of it. Through the blossoming of the population and commerce there was constantly men and women going out into the uncharted world to carry the Gospel and establish churches of the Lord Jesus Christ. Back in the civilized part of the new country churches did not stop building more churches. In the uncivilized, the wilderness at the time, Christians spread through those areas giving reason to establish church worship wherever they put their roots down. Circuit Riders became popular. They were first Methodist ministers taking the lead on that and the rest of us catching up with it. A minister would be assigned to pastor a number of churches, traveling week after week to meet with another congregation each week to lead them in worship.

Eventually God's church building at the devotion and sacrifice of men and women to keep the mission spirit going arrived in this region of Orange, Texas. Repeating my introduction...Orange became a settlement about 1852 and the oldest Baptist Church organized in 1857. It is Old First Orange Baptist Church today. Then in the process came Luther Memorial Church Building, now the First Presbyterian Church of Orange, Tx. It was built in 1912 and added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1982. Now, there may have been others that I have missed, because I haven't done a deeper study on local church history, but this will do.

In 1857 we know that the message of Jesus Christ arrived in Orange. The ongoing establishment and sustaining of churches in our country are the blood veins through it that have kept our nation strong with God and His love for America. If the churches continue to diminish, the life blood source of America's existence, the purpose for this nation being chosen and raised up through the harshest of environment will go away. This nation became the most established and flourishing country spiritually and then materially of any nation in history. It all is traced to this spiritual blood that flowed through every corner of it. A majority of the population kept the spiritual centers in tact (churches) and took their ministry constantly outside of their building, living the will of God with their neighbors, etc, while building yet more and more churches. Out of these churches flowed missionaries to build yet more churches, God worshipping centers, and furthermore out of these churches flowed missionaries taking the Gospel

and church building back to where they came from as freedom opened up to it there, and then into the uttermost parts of the earth. American churches became committed to God to do this and have expanded it in every avenue of communication and travel possible. America has been wonderfully blessed of God through the years of this. But do we see why America is becoming so poor and corrupt and nearly at the mercy of her enemies around the world?

Our nation is going away because those historically willing to worship God, building His house and more houses of worship to Him are going away.

Let's just look at the Orange, Texas area and it will suffice in representation of what is happening all through America. The spiritual blood flow... the spiritual blood supply to our nation is diminishing. Church members have taken up with other kinds of worship on weekends instead of filling God's house to worship and spiritually strengthen to go back out and stay separate from worldliness and have instead become so integrated on weekends and through the week and year that churches are in a death nil situation. They struggle to stay alive and visible for the Lord God and finally have to surrender to death of the church. Hundreds every year close their doors. More worldly things are built to further distract the believers from going to worship and separate themselves from an ungodly world. The trouble further is that there are some things the church members are doing with the world that are not necessarily bad, but they have replaced in their lives their family's and country's spiritual life flow that has kept our nation in tact for use of God. They are not keeping God's churches open, nor are they missionarying or financially supporting the building of others. The weaker a church gets, the weaker they become in ability to afford the larger support of missionaries to build more churches.

The first message of Jesus Christ the Lord came to Orange somewhere in the mid-1800's, and maybe a little before. Churches, the spiritual life blood of America were established here. But wait, look around. All of God's churches are struggling to stay in existence. They have been left to a few and they are straining under the load. It is only a matter of time and Orange County and throughout America God's purpose for this nation and thus its life blood purpose to stay in tact will be gone. Only we can change that. We have to get back to putting God and His church and the building of more of His churches first. Paul said it would come to this if we didn't stay alert. II Tim. 3:1-5 "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. 2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, 3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, 4 Traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; 5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away." II Thess. 2:3 "Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first (apostasy, forsaking the word of God), and that man of sin (the Antichrist) be revealed, the son of perdition;" We're close.

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For The Record



Joe Kazmar

Every year during either the World Series or the Super Bowl, many trivial stories are either written or talked about the fallacies of the sport in season and what to do to make it more "politically correct."

The most popular topic at this time of the year is the usual complaint that any team whose mascot has some kind of Native American connotation MUST be changed.

One group of dissenters actually did sell their bill of goods to major league baseball's long-standing Cleveland Indians franchise as well as the National Football League's Washington Redskins who will each cease being known by those respective nicknames.

The Cleveland Indians will be known as the Cleveland Guardians, probably because they do such a good job of guarding last place in their division.

The Washington Redskins already have dropped that nickname and are merely referred to as the Washington Football Team.

Actually, if they want to make the name more politically correct, it should be called the Washington Losing Football Team because of its encampment in the NFC East Division

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OC football teams enter final week of regular season

TOMMY MANN JR.
FOR THE RECORD

This is the final week of the district play and the regular season, and it all comes down to this week for playoff positioning. Most of our local teams have secured a trip to the Bi-District round, but many of those teams are now looking to solidify the best seeding possible with victories this week.

The No. 4 state-ranked West Orange-Stark Mustangs (7-1, 5-0) have clinched a 12th consecutive district title and are coming off a bye week just in time for the final district game against a scrappy Bridge City Cardinals team. The goal for the Mustangs this week should be to win the game and stay as healthy as possible in preparation of the Class 4A Div. II Bi-District round of the playoffs against a team from District 12-4A, which is still trying to finalize its seeding as well. Depending on Friday's results, the Mustangs could face Sealy, Sweeney or La Marque in the first round.

The Bridge City Cardinals (4-5,

2-3) showed its grit and determination this past Friday night with a 21-20 victory over the Liberty Panthers. The Cardinals offense was humming as quarterback Ethan Ocegeura connected on two touchdown passes to receiver Noah Broussard, but it was the Bridge City defense which held its ground, literally, to stop a Liberty two point-attempt at the end of the game to seal the victory. Now the Cardinals return home this week to host the West Orange-Stark Mustangs in the final District 11-4A Div. II contest of the season. The Cardinals have never beaten the Mustangs and are not expected to do so this week, but a strong showing is expected as this team continues improving and building for its future.

The Orangefield Bobcats (6-3, 3-2) had a golden opportunity slip through its collective paws this past Friday night to secure the second-place position in District 11-4A Div. II, as the Bobcats lost a back-and-forth game against the Hamshire-Fannett Longhorns, 35-28. Both teams battled hard for the full 48-minutes with each answering the other score-for-score



WOS Mustang Elijah Gales rushed for just enough yards to break the 14-year school record of 3,257 yards week before last against the Liberty Panthers. Gates will be facing the Bridge City Cardinals defense this week.

RECORD PHOTO: Meri Elen Jacobs the whole game. Orangefield was knocking on the door one final time at the Hamshire-Fannett seven-yard line with 7 seconds remaining, but the

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Kaz's Fearless Football Forecast...

★ **WEST ORANGE STARK over BRIDGE CITY**

The Mustangs are trying to finish District 10-4A-II with a perfect 6-0 mark but must not look ahead to next week's opening round of the state playoffs. Head Coach Cornel Thompson is pretty adept at keeping his players focused on the game at hand and not anything in the future. The Cards have been steadily improving, but need a monster game to consider an upset.

★ **LITTLE CYPRESS-MAURCEVILLE over Splendor**

The Battlin' Bears are catching the district's cellar dweller on this final game of the regular season and must be aware that it could be a "trap game" where the highly-favored team

plays poorly while the underdog has its best outing.

★ **ORANGEFIELD over Hardin Jefferson**

Although the Bobcats are sitting in a tie for third place in 10-4A-II and are playing the winless Hawks on the road, they must play one of their better games, just to assure their playoff position.

★ **VIDOR over Lumberton**

The Pirates' bubble finally burst last week at Huffman when the Falcons edged past them 13-7. They finish the regular season at home against the Raiders, who are having one of their better seasons in quite a while and could very well win the district championship with an upset win over Vidor Friday night.

★ **DEWEYVILLE over High Island**

The Pirates are closing out the regular season at home against an 0-5-1 team that is desperate for a win. A Deweyville win will assure the Pirates of the runner-up spot in District 12-2A-II.

★ **LAMAR UNIVERSITY over Tarleton State**

This is a great chance for the Cardinals to end their losing streak and post a long-awaited victory on the road.

★ **McNEESE STATE over Nicholls (Upset Special)**

The Cowboys have been playing much better lately and will need a super effort at home Saturday to upend the high-flying Colonels.

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Cooks shows leadership amidst losing streak

Deepi Sidhu
Texans Insider

Despite losing a seventh consecutive game, Brandin Cooks found a glimmer of hope in Sunday's 38-22 loss to the Los Angeles Rams.

"The fact that we continue to go out there and fight regardless of the score," Cooks said. "Like I said, throughout the work week, we go back out to work like nothing happened. That's where the hope comes from. It shows that we've got a bunch of guys that are willing to fight and keep trying to get better. So, that's where I find it at."

The Texans scored all 22 points in the



fourth quarter, while the defense kept the Rams scoreless. Cooks scored on a 45-yard touchdown pass from QB Davis Mills in the fourth quarter, his longest touchdown reception of the season.

The eight-year veteran wide receiver admits the 1-7 start to the 2021 season is among the toughest ones he has had to endure in his career, but he hopes to be "the light in dark moments" for those around him.

"I'm all in on this thing," Cooks said. "It would be pretty special to be a part of something that's turned around. How that looks, I don't know. I've got to trust that. Like I said, my job is to come in every single day

and be the best teammate that I can be, be the best example I can be, continue to work on my game and just continue to work. Like I told you before, that's all I know, and that's what I'm going to continue to do."

Cooks currently ranks fourth in the NFL and second in the AFC with 51 receptions this season. He is eighth in the NFL and fourth in the AFC with 585 receiving yards this season with two touchdowns in eight starts. He and the Texans will travel to Miami to face the (1-7) Dolphins in Week 9.

The next time you can see the Texans at NRG Stadium will be on November 28 as they host the New York Jets in Week 12.

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cellar.

It's mind-boggling how much money it will cost to change out all the uniforms, team logos being sold all over the world and letterhead just to name a few.

Two franchises they haven't been able to alter are the Atlanta Braves and their stupid tomahawk chop and the Kansas City Chiefs, who also chop every now and then. It's probably just a matter of time before some commissioner of these two sports issues an edict that a change in mascot must be forthcoming.

Not to be outdone, animal rights group PETA wants to get some ink of its own and is proposing that major league baseball eliminate usage of the term "bullpen," which it says promotes cruelty to animals and change the phrase to "arm barn" instead, according to an article appear-

ing in Sunday's edition of The Houston Chronicle.

I nearly fell on the floor with uncontrolled laughter, but that is PETA's latest gig to get its name before the public.

More than half a century ago, I spent nearly every game in our team's bullpen, especially in the later innings of the games, waiting to be summoned to get loose and warm up in the event I was coming into the game as a relief pitcher.

As much time as I spent in the bullpen, I never once felt sorry for any animal, especially a bull, who leads the life of Riley servicing and protecting the cows in the field.

Before Saturday's Game 4 of the World Series, the writer posed this question to members of the Houston Astros—If you had to rename the bullpen, what would you

call it?

One of the Astros coaches quipped, "If we're going there, we might as well change out baseballs, because they're made of cowhide." Although he is firmly against a change but pressed for an alternate suggestion, quipped "pitcher's pool".

Another suggestion from a relief pitcher was "stable because there's a bunch of horses down there". He insisted that stable does not carry the same negative connotation as bullpen since in a stable, "horses are treated nice because that's their home."

There are many theories about the origin of the term "bullpen", according to the article. "One notion is that in the early 1900's, many ballparks had bull-shaped ads for Bull Durham Tobacco on the outfield wall near where the pitchers warmed up."

Another was that "older

stadiums in that era were built on old cattle or rodeo grounds and there were literal bullpens beyond the left field wall."

I don't believe PETA will have any success in this venture because it's so difficult to institute a change in America's pastime and seems unlikely MLB will do away with the term anytime soon.

KWICKIES...

Atlanta Braves' Hall of Famer Greg Maddux threw the Game 5 ceremonial first pitch Sunday night, making a rare appearance at his former home park. The 55-year-old Maddux is the pitching coach for UNLV.

Zack Greinke was Houston's starting pitcher in Game 4, threw four shutout innings, giving up four hits, walking none and striking out three. He singled in his

first at-bat and just to prove it wasn't a fluke, got a pinch-hit single in Game 5.

The Houston Texans got another "F" rating in Sunday's 38-22 loss to the Los Angeles Rams, but scored their 22 points in the last quarter after the Rams dressed out the sisters of the Poor as subs for the reg-

ular defensive unit.

TCU and head football coach Gary Patterson mutually agreed to part company after 21 seasons after Saturday's demoralizing 31-12 loss at Kansas State. Patterson's Horned Frogs posted a perfect 13-0 record in 2010 and

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Longhorns defense prevailed and got the win. Now, both the Longhorns (6-3, 3-2) and Bobcats are tied with one game remaining on the schedule and could potentially end up in a three-way tie for second place with the Silsbee Tigers (5-4, 4-2). If this happens, then seeding for the playoffs will come down to point differential in games played between these three teams and that does not play into the Bobcats favor due to the 7-point loss to the Longhorns. This week the Bobcats travel to Sour Lake to face off against Hardin-Jefferson (1-7, 0-5) and look to take out their frustrations on the Hawks while looking ahead to the Bi-District round of the playoffs next week.

The Little Cypress-Mauriceville Battlin' Bears (7-2, 3-1) let the Livingston Lions (5-4, 1-3) hang around a little more than anticipated this past Friday night, but the Bears took care of business at the end of the game to come away with a 33-15 victory on the road. Running back Da'Marion Morris had two rushing touchdowns and an interception return for a touchdown on the game's last play, while quarterback Ashton Landry had two rushing touchdowns of his own. The Bears received a gift that night as well as Huffman Hargrave beat the previously undefeated Vidor Pirates 13-7. Now LC-M has the opportunity to win a share of the District 10-4A Div. II title and the number one seed for the district in the playoffs, depending on how this week's games transpire. LC-M will be hosting the Splendora Wildcats (4-5, 0-4) in the final district matchup of the season. The Bears need a win combined with a Pirates loss to claim a share of the district title and the number one seed. If the Pirates win, the Bears will go into the playoffs as the number two seed with a victory over the Wildcats.

The Vidor Pirates (7-1, 3-1) lost its first game of the season in a heartbreaker this past Friday to the Hargrave Falcons, 13-7. Ironically, the Pirates defense held the Falcons offense to its lowest point output of the season and won the turnover battle in Friday's loss, but the usually formidable Vidor offense had difficulty moving the ball against a resurgent

Huffman (7-2, 2-2) team. The Pirates control their own destiny this week as a victory on Friday against the visiting Lumberton Raiders (6-3, 3-1) gives them a share of the district title and number one seed, which would face either Chapel Hill or Palestine in the first round. However, a loss to the Raiders could send the Pirates plummeting as far down as the fourth seed for the Bi-District round of the playoffs to face either No. 6 state ranked Kilgore or Lindale in the first round.

The Deweyville Pirates (4-4, 3-1) took care of business this past Friday night with a 20-0 victory over Burkeville (5-4, 2-2) to become a virtual lock for the second seed in District 12-2A Div. II, pending the outcome of this week's game against High Island (1-5, 1-3). A Pirates loss, coupled with Burkeville and Hull-Daisetta victories will create a three-way tie for the final three playoff spots but, since Deweyville beat both Burkeville and Hull Daisetta head-to-head, they would still retain the second seed. There is currently a four-way tie for seeds three and four in District 11-2A, which is the district Deweyville would face in the first round.

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Texas AgriLife researcher makes case for natural infrastructure

Adam Russell
Texas A&M AgriLife

A newly published article hopes to stir discussion around adoption of construction designs and methods that utilize nature to cut costs, extend project lifecycles and improve ecological synergy, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Research scientist.

The lead author is Rusty Feagin, Ph.D., AgriLife Research professor and ecologist in the Department of Ecology and Conservation Biology in the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, and the Department of Ocean Engineering in the College of Engineering, both at Texas A&M University, Bryan-College Station. In addition to Feagin, 23 U.S. and European professionals in various fields including engineering, public policy, construction and biology contributed to the publication.

Feagin said the paper, Infrastructure investment must incorporate Nature's lessons in a rapidly changing world, aims to initiate conversations about sustainable infrastruc-



Bald cypress trees act as natural infrastructure to provide shoreline protection along the San Marcos River. (Texas A&M AgriLife photo by Rusty Feagin)

ture and the need for incorporating natural elements into projects.

Publication of the commentary piece in One Earth is timely as U.S. Congressional members continue to haggle over pieces of a proposed infrastructure bill, Feagin said.

Natural elements go by many names, including "nature-based solutions," "nature-based features" or "natural infrastructure." But regardless of the names used, everyone involved in national infrastructure construction needs to shift their mindset toward these ideas, he added.

Incorporating nature-based features, Feagin said, can reduce project costs and make infrastructure more resilient in dynamic natural settings, helping the structures last longer than traditional construc-

tions.

"People tend to think of roads and bridges when we say 'infrastructure,' but infrastructure is really anything that represents the foundation we build society on, including our waterways, coastlines and ports," he said. "Transitioning from concrete and steel to natural elements is not ideal for every project, but we need to begin looking at ways to implement these methods, especially where

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finished No. 2 in the nation and was 12-1 in 2014, winning the Big 12 and finishing No. 3 in the polls.

The top four places didn't change in this week's Associated Press Top 25 College Football poll—Georgia, Cincinnati, Alabama and Oklahoma—with Michigan State moving up three spots to No. 5, Ohio State dropping one to No. 6, Oregon remaining at No. 7, Notre Dame coming up three to No. 8, Michigan slipping down three to No. 9 and Wake Forest claiming No. 10—reaching the Top 10 for the first time in the program's history.

Tennessee Titans Derrick Henry, who leads the NFL with 937 yards rushing, hurt his foot in Sunday's game and could be out for the rest of the season.

JUST BETWEEN US...

The Houston Astros had a humongous mountain to climb in Sunday night's Game 5, just to get to last night's Game 6. First of all, the Atlanta Braves hadn't lost a home game throughout the entire playoffs. Secondly, after the first inning, the Astros found themselves behind 4-0 thanks to a grand slam by Braves' center fielder Adam Duvall. The Astros reduced the deficit in half after batting in the second inning, but Atlanta's Freddie Freeman added a solo shot. But Houston battled back, scored three times in the seventh inning to lead for the first time 7-5 and went on to win 9-5, setting up last night's Game 6 elimination game.

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AREA HIGH SCHOOLS

Atascocita over Beaumont West Brook, Beaumont United over Goose Creek Memorial, Port Arthur Memorial over Friendswood, Crosby over Nederland, Port Neches-Groves over Santa Fe, Jasper over Madisonville, Hamshire-Fannett over Liberty, Buna over Kirbyville, East Chambers over Tarkington, Kountze over Warren, Newton over Corrigan-Camden, Evadale over Burkeville.

COLLEGE PICKS

Kent State over Northern Illinois, Western Michigan over Central Michigan (both Today); Louisiana-Lafayette over Georgia State (Thursday); Virginia Tech over Boston College, Utah over Stanford (both Friday); Army over Air Force, Pittsburgh over Duke, North Carolina State over Florida State, Miami over Georgia Tech, Wisconsin over Rutgers, Clemson over Louisville, UAB over Louisiana Tech, Iowa over Northwestern, Houston over South Florida, Michigan over Indiana, Wake Forest over North Carolina, Coastal Carolina over Georgia Southern, Central Florida over Tulane, Minnesota over Illinois, Cincinnati over Tulsa, Kansas State over Kansas, Florida over South Carolina, East Carolina over Temple, Ole Miss over Liberty, Baylor over TCU, Penn State over Maryland, Utah State over New Mexico State, Oregon State over Colorado, Arizona State over USC,

North Texas over Southern Mississippi, Georgia over Missouri, Appalachian State over Arkansas State, Ohio State over Nebraska, Arkansas over Mississippi State, SMU over Memphis, Notre Dame over Navy, Troy over South Alabama, Rice over Charlotte, Oklahoma State over West Virginia, Kentucky over Tennessee, Texas State over Louisiana-Monroe, Iowa State over Texas, Michigan State over Purdue, Texas A&M over Auburn, Western Kentucky over Middle Tennessee State, Oregon over Washington, California over Arizona, Colorado State over Wyoming, UTSA over UTEP, Marshall over Florida Atlantic, Fresno State over Boise State, UNLV over New Mexico, Florida International over Old Dominion, Alabama over LSU, Nevada over San Jose State, San Diego State over Hawaii (all Saturday).

PRO PICKS

Indianapolis over NY Jets (Thursday Night); Houston over Miami (Upset Special), Buffalo over Jacksonville, Cincinnati over Cleveland, Dallas over Denver, New Orleans over Atlanta, Las Vegas over NY Giants, Baltimore over Minnesota, New England over Carolina, Philadelphia over LA Chargers, Arizona over San Francisco, Green Bay over Kansas City, LA Rams over Tennessee (all Sunday); Pittsburgh over Chicago (Monday Night). Bye week for Detroit, Seattle, Tampa Bay and Washington.

Dickie Colburn: 'A Guides Guide'

OUTDOORS Capt. Chuck Uzzle For The Record

Anybody from our part of the world who fishes has in some way been influenced by the man everyone referred to as "Dickie", he cut a wide path and will forever be remembered for his exploits both on and off the water. I can honestly say his influence on my life was a big reason for many of the good things that have happened to me personally and professionally. As a young aspiring guide, I clung to his every word, from his weekly column in The Record Newspapers of Orange County to his segment on KOGT's "Let's Go Fishing" show, what Dickie said was gospel.

I remember the first real conversation we had, I was just starting to guide locally, and I happened to be fishing with a less than desirable crowd at the time. Dickie pulled me aside and said "Son, I know your family and you were brought up better



Chuck Uzzle

than this" as he gave me that stare that only he could give. "You need to remember that a man only has his name and what he stands for, no amount of money can change either". It wasn't long after that we began to share a boat together and I never stopped learning from him after that. The countless lessons he shared with me about situations on the water, how to handle customers, and many other things were the cornerstone that helped shape my business and many of my beliefs.

Dickie and I spoke regularly, and I routinely asked him for advice on all manner of things. He was beyond all other things a devout Christian and family man who truly practiced what he preached. Dickie was adamant about his belief that family came before anything else, he loved his wife Karen

more than anything and would tell stories from time to time about how she kept him in line. In one of his more memorable talks with me at his kitchen table he said, "If I ever find out you skipped a family event, one of Hunter's ballgames or anything like that to go guide you and I will have problems" and he meant it. I loved him for caring so much and treating me like his own, his guidance was immeasurable to say the least.

Dickie's accomplishments on the water would take days to describe and the list of accomplishments would be incredibly long. Without a doubt if you asked him what was most important to him it would be sharing the sport he loved with kids. Despite his sometimes-gruff outlook I would best describe Dickie as an "old stale Twinkie" because he was crusty on the outside but incredibly soft in the middle. Dickie had a huge heart and would do just about anything if it meant helping a kid, he was just that

type of man.

I will truly cherish for the rest of my days the time we spent together both on and off the water. He taught me so many things I would have never figured out on my own, especially about Sabine Lake and the surrounding waterways. It was always a special treat for me to bring him some small piece of information that he didn't know about, I felt like I had really done something. To have him consider me a friend and a peer are two accomplishments that meant the world to me and always will.

There is no doubt that my time on the water going forward will feel somewhat different, like something is missing. I will miss the phone calls, discussions, sports talks, and everything else because to me he was as close to family as it got. I will certainly miss my friend, but I know without a doubt he's in a better place where the weather is always good and the fish bite every day. Thanks for everything Dickie.



Fishing guide and The Record columnist Dickie Colburn. RECORD PHOTO: Capt. Chuck Uzzle

Remembering Capt. Dickie Colburn. His final column for The Record, Published October 27, 2021

The right bait at the right time

FISHING CAPT. DICKIE COLBURN For The Record

I was walking out the gate at the end of a recent junior varsity game when a young man called out my name. He was already asking a question as he approached which was of no use since I now strain just to hear a train whistle.

"I would like to ask you something," he said in a much louder and clearer voice. "I have these two soft plastic tails that are my favorites, but the trout aren't biting them. Are they the wrong size or wrong color or what?"

I don't know how many high school youngsters are walking around with plastic trout lures in their pocket, but I immediately knew that I was in good company. In truth, I have asked myself that same question while on the water. If you know you are in fish, not getting a bite is even more frustrating.

Both of the baits he held in his hand were very reliable colors, but they were the longer five-inch version and that can sometimes make a difference. Are you sure you were even in fish," I asked.

"They were chasing shrimp everywhere and I caught one or two fish, but they really didn't like my baits," he replied. "I don't care if I am catching only small trout....I just want to catch fish!"

This young man was obviously serious so I told him that I was walking home and would meet him in my driveway in five minutes. He was already there when I arrived so I bypassed the front door and we headed for the garage.

It took only one trip looking around the garage for him to declare, "How do you ever decide what to use? I walk two dogs for a lady every evening and mow a neighbor's yard just to make gas money. Is there maybe just one color that works better than others?"

For the most part, it is all about the time of year and water clarity. Larger or smaller is predicated on time of the year while choice of

colors is based on water clarity. I have a simple rule as far as color

goes. In clearer water I like translucent colors and in dirtier water I prefer an opaque color which enhances the silhouette.

Length is more seasonal only because of the type of bait you are trying to mimic at the time. Longer tails and larger topwaters are more effective when larger trout are feeding on mullet while the shorter tails work better when shad or shrimp are the main entree.

If I could only fish one or the other year round, it would be the shorter four inch tail. With the exception of the Lil John, I would also fish only a paddle tail type bait. I have found that even the three-inch Swim Baits are more effective most of the time.

I have no idea why the Lil' John works so well as it is shaped like a chopped off pencil, but there is seldom a time when it doesn't work. They have saved many a bad



Capt. Dickie Colburn was a fishing guide for all seasons as seen here in brisk weather showing off a nice flounder. Dickie Colburn had been a columnist for The Record Newspapers for over 20-years.

day fished both under a cork or hopped across the bottom on a jig head.

A lighter jig head can make a huge difference as well.

You may have to switch to spinning gear or a lighter casting rod to throw the lighter head, but the slower your lure sinks through the

strike zone the better. If the tide is too strong you may have to upgrade to a quarter ounce to even get it down.

It was obvious by the end of our conversation that he was both frustrated and dismayed as he now felt even more behind the eight ball. "I fish Cow bayou in my Uncle's flat bottom boat, but I know a lot of good spots and I can fish no matter how hard the wind blows," he proudly stated.

"I only have a casting rod, but it is a good one and I only buy quarter ounce heads because that is what I saw tied on most of the fishermen's rods," he added. "I've got to find another yard to mow if I am going to catch more fish."

I agreed with that assessment, before filling a plastic grocery bag with packages of different color tails and a handful of one-eighth and quarter ounce heads. Because I noticed that I had at least one more spinning combo than I needed, I included that as well.

His smile covered the bill!

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Case for natural infrastructure

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natural change is dynamic and projects need to be more flexible within the changing environment.”

Opportunity ahead for natural infrastructure

Natural infrastructure is especially applicable in areas where climate change is impacting weather variability, such as coastlines where storm surges can occur and riverbanks where heavy rains can cause flooding.

For example, rather than managing floodwaters with walls of concrete and steel, which can degrade over time, incorporating natural infrastructure might mean utilizing natural levees and landscape features to steer water via ecosystems like wetlands and retaining ponds. Natural infrastructure implemented correctly improves with time as well, Feagin said.

Feagin said the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Texas Department of Transportation are already incorporating natural elements within projects. European countries such as the Netherlands are also adopting in increasing number of natural methodologies in construction.

For a specific example, Feagin said, the enormous proposed \$26 billion infrastructure project in the Houston-Galveston area, nicknamed the “Ike Dike” and designed to reduce the impact of the flood events due to hurricanes and torrential rains, is an example of a project that could benefit from natural infrastructure elements.

“The goal for any project would be to take advantage of natural processes, such as water movement to deposit sediment, or the



Texas A&M AgriLife volunteers plant vegetation in a 5-acre stormwater wetland at the Houston Botanic Gardens designed to curb flooding and filter pollution. (Texas A&M AgriLife photo)

spread of trees and native vegetation to help capture that sediment and build natural levees, sand dunes, and water detention basins,” he said. “By working with nature, you can minimize effort and cost and realize maximum efficiency in the overall system.”

Challenges to adopting natural infrastructure

A shortage of existing expertise and time needed to train the next generation of engineers are constraints to natural infrastructure application in building projects, Feagin said. Traditional engineering follows established technical planning criteria, whereas natural infrastructure requires technical expertise from professionals outside the field, such as ecologists.

This disconnect in expertise is being bridged by project managers and planners

who view natural infrastructure as a way to save money and extend a project’s life. But Feagin said building those collaborations takes time and effort.

“Natural infrastructure is being used, but it’s happening because project managers and collaborators see the cost savings or they see an opportunity to add value to the project,” he said. “It could be something as simple as making a space that delivers the infrastructure benefit for the project but also makes it good for activities like bird watching or hunting.”

Another constraint is bureaucracy that regulates and approves project plans, Feagin said. Construction codes and requirements are attuned to traditional construction methods and adding natural infrastructure can lengthen approval processes.

But Feagin said the constraints create an exciting opportunity to train the next generation of engineers and construction professionals.

“The transition will require cross-training and educating people about these new methods and concepts,” he said. “That takes generational change. It would help if policy makers were emphasizing the benefits of natural infrastructure and providing incentives that

spur on change.”

Feagin said there is an opportunity to ride the wave of increased public interest in reducing the carbon footprint of projects during and after construction.

The broad acceptance of the burgeoning construction concepts can be accelerated by incentivizing their use through an executive order in a way that would expedite implementation in publicly funded projects, Feagin said.

Offering a discounted or incentivized rate would mean project planning would take a longer-term view of infrastructure projects, Feagin said, and that taxpayers would get more value from their investment. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers already operates at the lower rate, which is why they are one of the leading users of natural infrastructure in projects.

“That would be an easy lever to pull, and decision-makers would start selecting projects that provide longer-term lifecycles,” he said. “It’s a small incentive to change, but it could pay huge dividends when it comes to adopting these concepts and speeding up the transition toward increased use of natural infrastructure within future construction.”



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Al-Anon can help if someone close to you has a drinking problem. Al-Anon meets Sundays & Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m., North Orange Baptist Church, 4775 N. 16th St. (Rear), Orange, TX 77632. Call Angela at 474-2171, calls are kept Confidential.

November 6 at First Baptist Church, 200 W Roundbunch, coats, sweaters and jackets will be given away in the parking lot from 11 am - 1 pm. Bibles, children's books and religious pamphlets will also be free. Look for the blue canopy.

The next meeting of the Friends of the Orange Depot will be held on Thursday, November 4, 5:30PM at the Depot at 1210 Green Avenue. Refreshments will be served beforehand to celebrate the success of Depot Day 2021. All interested volunteers are welcome to attend, to help us with upcoming events such as Christmas at the Depot on Sunday, December 7. On the agenda is an election of officers so all board members are encouraged to attend so we will have a quorum.

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **DANNY LYNN CAMPBELL aka DANNIE LYNN CAMPBELL**, Deceased, were issued on **OCTOBER 20, 2021**, in Cause No. **P19181**, pending in the County Court at Law of Orange County, Texas, to: **CHARMAINE CAMPBELL**. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: **James R. Dunaway Attorney at Law P.O. Box 100 Orange, TX 77631-0100**

Dated the **20th** day of **October, 2021**.

James R. Dunaway
 James R. Dunaway Attorney for: Charmaine Campbell State Bar No.: 06208000 P.O. Box 100 Orange, TX 77631-0100 jrdunaway@sbcglobal.net

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **MARY ELIZABETH BOLNER**, Deceased, were issued on **October 21, 2021**, in Cause No. **P19204**, pending in the County Court at Law of Orange County, Texas, to: **KELLY JAMES BOLNER**. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Kelly James Bolner c/o: Stephen C. Howard Attorney at Law 903 W. Green Avenue Orange, Texas 77630

DATED the 26th day of October, 2021.

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c/o: **James R. Dunaway Attorney at Law P.O. Box 100 Orange, TX 77631-0100**

Dated the 16th day of **September, 2021**.

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 James R. Dunaway Attorney for: Elizabeth Francis Armstrong Crawley State Bar No.: 06208000 P.O. Box 100 Orange, TX 77631-0100 jrdunaway@sbcglobal.net

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **LUTHER LAMAR ANDREWS, Deceased**, Cause No. **P19234** in County Court at Law, Orange County, Texas

The alleged heir(s) at law in the above numbered and entitled estate filed **AN FIRST AMENDED APPLICATION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP** in this estate on **OCTOBER 19, 2021**, requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of Luther Lamar Andrews, Deceased, and their respective shares and interests in such estate.

The court may act on this application at any call of the docket on or after 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next after the expiration of 10 days from the date of publication of this citation, at the County Courthouse, 801 W. Division., Orange, Texas 77630.

All persons interested in this case are cited to appear before this Honorable Court by **filing a written contest or answer** to this Application should they desire to do so. To ensure its consideration, you or your attorney must file any objection, intervention or response in writing with the County Clerk of Orange County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of the County Court at Law, Orange County, Texas at the office of the Orange County Clerk in Orange, Texas on October 19, 2021.

BRANDY ROBERTSON, County Clerk, Orange County, Texas
 By: Samantha McInnis Deputy Samantha McInnis

NOTICE OF RATE CHANGE REQUEST

On October 5, 2021, Entergy Texas, Inc. ("ETI") filed an application to amend its Transmission Cost Recovery Factor ("TCRF") with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission" or "PUC"). The application was assigned PUC Docket No. 52624. The proposed TCRF is requested in accordance with the Public Utility Regulatory Act § 36.209 and 16 TAC § 25.239. A TCRF allows a utility to recover its reasonable and necessary costs that have occurred since the end of the test year in the utility's last base rate case for transmission infrastructure improvement and changes in wholesale transmission charges to the electric utility under a tariff approved by a federal regulatory authority. In its requested amendment, ETI is seeking recovery of costs for transmission capital investments it incurred from September 1, 2020 through July 31, 2021. ETI also seeks to recover approved transmission charges that are not otherwise being recovered through rates.

The proposed TCRF as amended would result in total TCRF retail revenues of approximately \$66.1 million, which is \$15.1 million in incremental annual TCRF revenue beyond ETI's currently effective TCRF. This \$15.1 million amount would be a 1.57% increase in ETI's annualized non-fuel revenue requirement as compared to revenues approved in Docket No. 48371, ETI's most recent base rate case, and a 1.01% increase in ETI's overall annualized revenue requirement including fuel costs as compared to such revenues. The impact of the rate change on various customer classes will vary from the overall impact described in this notice.

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Persons with questions or who want more information on this filing may contact ETI at Entergy Texas, Inc., Attn: Customer Service—2021 TCRF Case, 350 Pine Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701, email tcr@entergy.com, or call 1-866-981-2602 during normal business hours. A complete copy of this application is available for inspection at the address listed above.

The Commission has assigned Docket No. 52624 to this proceeding. Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Public Utility Commission of Texas (commission) as soon as possible, as an intervention deadline will be imposed. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the commission at (512) 936-7136. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is 45 days after the date the application was filed with the commission. Therefore, ETI has requested that the deadline be November 19, 2021.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the preferred method for you to file your request for intervention is electronically, and you will be required to serve the request on other parties by email. Therefore, please include your own email address on the intervention request. Instructions for electronic filing via the "PUC Filer" on the Commission's website can be found here: <https://interchange.puc.texas.gov/filer>. Instructions for using the PUC Filer are available at: http://www.puc.texas.gov/industry/filings/New_PUC_Web_Filer_Presentation.pdf. Once you obtain a tracking sheet associated with your filing from the PUC Filer, you may email the tracking sheet and the document you wish to file to: centralrecords@puc.texas.gov. For assistance with your electronic filing, please contact the Commission's Help Desk at (512) 936-7100 or helpdesk@puc.texas.gov. You can review materials filed in this docket on the PUC Interchange at: <http://interchange.puc.texas.gov/>.

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