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Cities expect squeeze on 2022 budgets

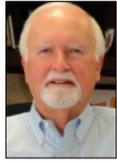
DAVE ROGERS
For The Record

Expect city tax rates to decrease this year but don't look for tax bills to decline.

Based on May's skyrocketing proposed tax values, county and city governments and school districts should be forced to slash their rates to avoid taking too big a bite out of taxpayer's wallets.

But a bite it will still be. County-wide, the proposed tax assessments for 2021 were 16 percent higher than in 2020. The final increase should be lower, after appeals are heard and values are finalized in July, but a double-digit percent rise still seems likely.

Last year, 2020 values increased 3.7 percent in Or-



Jones

ange County, and 3.0 for the City of Orange.

The City of Orange reduced its tax rate from 0.80690 to 0.80590, which equates to one-10th of a cent per \$100 values in cut. And the owner of an average homestead in the city of Orange paid \$21 more in city tax.

But rising worldwide prices tied to trade disputes and manufacturers shut down by COVID have affected the cost of maintaining the status quo in services governments provide their taxpayers.

"Adding new [property] values to the new no-new-

taxes rules, there's a real probability we'll have to reduce the tax rates again," said Jerry Jones, the Bridge City city manager.

"That's going to happen year after year.

"We will be getting increased values from 100 new houses going up, but the more values you have, the more you have to maintain,

and you have to maintain it with less money.

"When the amount of [money for] maintenance goes up and the amount [of money] you receive goes down, it's not a good situation."

In addition to higher prices on routine expenses, local governments in Southeast Texas have had to tap their

reserve funds to pay for damages from hurricanes and tropical storms and, for the past year, COVID-19 precautions.

So far, no government reimbursements have come related to Hurricane Laura. But funds to help with COVID expenses have filter down via the CARES Act.

"You always have a lot of

unreimbursed things when you have a disaster," Jones said. "We're still working on closing out the books on Hurricane Ike [in 2008] and that was 13 years ago.

"What it requires you to do is spend some of your reserves and you don't even get

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LSCO honors music legend Gatemouth Brown

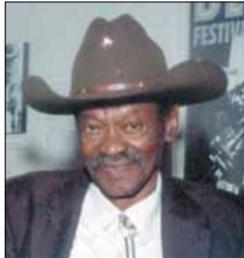
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The new gateway to Lamar State College Orange is going to be known as the "Gatemouth" ... as in Gatemouth Plaza.

The two-year school in downtown Orange announced that it plans to memorialize the Grammy Award-winning musician, Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown, by naming the plaza currently under construction on the west side of campus.

Brown, who died in 2005, was known for his expertise on the guitar and had a recording career that spanned more than five decades.

The school began construction in November on a



Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown

new plaza at the corner of 4th Street and Main. According to architect Dohn LaBiche, it will offer a "gathering space" between what is expected to be a new Academic Building next to the Orange Public Library along a walkway that will extend to the Shan Center on the east side of campus.

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Remembering Joe Bonsall and The Orange Playboys



Joe Bonsall and his band the Orange Playboys were inducted into the Cajun Music Hall of Fame in 1981. Bonsall started his band "The Orange Playboys" in the 50s. "The Orange Playboys" recorded countless albums before his death at age 75 in 1996. See Article and Photos Section B, Page 1.

Ex-lawmaker Wayne Peveto at home on the ranch

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For The Record

Wayne Peveto grew up on the family farm in Orange County's McLewis community.

He and his four brothers helped their sharecropper dad, Horace, and mother Lola raise a rice crop and run a dairy. Eventually, the family farm grew to 160 acres.

Today, Wayne Peveto owns about 3,500 acres of north Orange County land – more than five square miles – and two of the larger herds of cattle in the area.

"It's in your blood, just something you do," said the 82-year-old rancher. "I do have hired help, but I have to be here every day and do the bookwork."

Peveto and wife Sandra Rankin Peveto raised two sons, Eric and Rex.

He has been a practicing lawyer for most of his life and achieved a rare honor in 1973 when he was elected by his neighbors to represent them in the Texas Legislature.

He was re-elected to the Texas House of Representatives five times, serving a total of 12 years in the Statehouse.

"I was burnt out when I got out and I wanted to try to make some money and pay for my land," he said.

But Peveto left a lasting legacy in the Legislature with the so-called "Peveto bill."

Passed in 1979, the "Peveto bill ... essentially formed the basis of the property tax system in place today," says the website of the Texas Comptroller. "It separated appraisals from tax collection," professionalizing and depoliticizing the appraisal process.



Former State Representative Wayne Peveto has worked with cattle since his days at the family dairy. RECORD PHOTO: Dave Rogers



Wayne Peveto makes a point to grandson Justice Peveto as they inspect cattle at Wayne Peveto's ranch Saturday. RECORD PHOTO: Dave Rogers

"Additionally, property now had to be assessed at full market value and reassessed at least once every three years," the 2015 post continued.

A graduate of Orangefield

High School and Sam Houston State, with a bachelor's in agribusiness, Peveto actually worked as a seventh- and eighth-grade math and science teacher (and basketball coach and bus driver) at

Orange's old Bancroft School before deciding to go to law school.

Only six years after passing the bar exam, Peveto re-

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Depot Day Festival offers family fun on Saturday

Families will be flocking to DEPOT DAY on Saturday, June 5, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Orange Train Depot Museum at 1210 Green Avenue in Orange.

DEPOT DAY, the annual fundraiser sponsored by the Friends of the Orange Depot

traditionally held on the first Saturday in May, was postponed because of rain.

Children will enjoy the brand new addition to the Depot, the G gauge Southern Pacific model railroad, which runs around a specially made track on the reception room

wall. Volunteers George Bohn and Benny Rhodes, local model railroaders have been in charge of acquiring the train and getting the track, which was donated.

Entry is free to Depot Day, with a small fee charged for rides which are located on

the grounds. This year, attractions include a kiddie train, bouncy house, petting zoo, balloon artist and pony rides. There will also be musical entertainment by the Orange Community Players and dancing by the Orange Blossom Dancers.

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My 5-Cents . . .

By State Senator Robert Nichols

The last week of session is coming to a close and the long nights have stretched into the early hours of the following mornings. We're sprinting to the finish of an unusual session and passing consequential and substantial legislation.

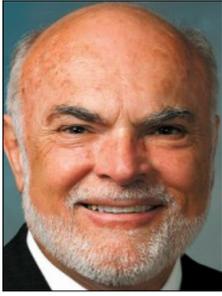
Here are five things happening around your state:

1. Budget Conference Committee Report approved by Senate

In one of the last steps the State budget needs for approval, the Senate passed the final version of the budget this week. This session's budget appropriates \$248.5 billion in All Funds for the 2022-2021 biennium. In all, it maintains our commitments to education we made last session, strengthens public safety, and invest in our future, all while practicing fiscal restraint. It includes over \$30 billion to address transportation needs, including \$26.5 billion for highway planning, design, construction, and maintenance; \$3.1 billion to fund enrollment growth for public education; \$200 million for Gulf Coast protection and mitigation efforts; \$30 million for new rural and urban community mental health beds; and \$34 million for pay raises for TDCJ correctional officers at maximum security units, among other priorities. I'd like to thank Senator Jane Nelson, Representative Greg Bonnen, my fellow members of the Senate Finance committee, and the House Appropriations committee for all the hard work and dedication to putting together a fiscally responsible budget.

2. Broadband Office bill update

This session, Representative Trent Ashby and I put an emphasis on passing meaningful broadband reform to expand broadband services in our state. This week, the House and Senate Conference Committee convened and we worked out the differences between our two bills to come up with the final product. House Bill 5 will create the Broadband Development Office within the Comptroller's office. The office will serve as a resource for information



Sen. Robert Nichols

about broadband service and digital connectivity in the state and for federal programs. It also directs the office to create a broadband development map that will identify areas that are not served or are underserved and the percentage of addresses that have access to service. This map is necessary to be eligible for certain federal funds that could help expand broadband access. Working on this legislation was one of the highlights of this session and one of the most important and impactful bills of session.

3. Texas House approves Name, Image, and Likeness bill

In the last few days before their deadline, the Texas House passed Senator Creighton's Senate Bill 1385. This bill would allow student athletes at Texas universities to earn compensation for use of their name, image, and likeness for things like promotional appearances and product endorsements, so long as they're not engaged in official team activities. Recently, several other states have passed similar legislation after a national movement by student-athletes brought awareness to the issue. Texas would be the 17th state to pass such legislation. This bill will keep our state institutions of higher education competitive with other schools and states that now allow this practice, especially in terms of recruiting top tier talent.

4. Freedom to Worship Act passes the Senate

House Bill 1239 passed the Texas Senate late last week. This bill, sponsored by Senator Angela Paxton, would ensure that houses of worship are protected from being forced to close under any emergency powers in the future. During the COVID-19 pandemic, certain emergency orders forced churches and other houses of worship to shut their doors. This bill would guarantee Texans right to freedom of religion and free exercise of religion, rights that are

promised and protected by the First Amendment. Worship and the community that comes with it are essential to many Texans lives. This legislation recognizes that and ensures that no law, emergency order, local ordinance, or other mandate can deny Texans that right.

5. Bill to allow for employer driven workforce training passes

As the home to 50 Fortune 500 companies and with an economy that would qualify as the ninth largest globally, Texas has an obligation to the businesses that are here and those that move here to provide the best workforce possible. As such, Senator Bettencourt sponsored House Bill 4361 which passed the Texas Senate this week. This bill is aimed at ensuring businesses in Texas can find and hire employees who are qualified and have the correct training to work there. This bill would allow employers to issue a request for proposal to any higher education institution to offer off-campus workforce education or other programs that could count toward college credit.

Trinket To Treasure Sale

Wesley United Methodist Church at 401 37th Street, Orange is having a trinket to treasure sale June 4 & 5 from 9:00 - 3:00. Look forward to seeing you there.

First Saturday at FBC June 5

On Saturday, June 5th First Baptist Church of Bridge City will be giving away free Bibles in the parking lot (200 West Roundbunch Rd) from 10AM until 1PM. Also on this day, we will have information about VBS, Sunday School, and other church activities available for all ages. The church will be giving away free Bibles in the parking lot (200 West Roundbunch Rd) from 10AM until 1PM. Other First Saturdays are coming in the future.

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Out with the old, in with the new ...



Demolition of the Orange Natatorium continues this week as the city prepares for a new \$2.9 million recreation center to take its place. Workers Tuesday began to fill in the pool for a new foundation which will precede the tear-down of the old roof. RECORD PHOTO: Dave Rogers

2022 budget squeeze From Page 1

all of that back.”

Jones said Bridge City’s department heads are scheduled to turn in their budget requests to BC Finance Director Karen Morgan by Friday, the city will receive its certified [final] tax rolls on July 25 and budget workshops for council members will begin July 26.

The final proposed budget will be turned in no later than July 30, Jones said, and public hearings will be held Aug. 3 and Aug. 7.

As an example of ever-increasing costs, Orange County’s property insurance for 2022 is set to increase 19 percent, with its per-incident deductible increasing from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

That, said Lisa McCaig, risk management consultant

for the Texas Association of Counties, is after her company paid Orange County almost \$6 million for 10 claims in the past four years, beginning with Hurricane Harvey.

Of course, price increases will hit everybody, not just governments.

Mike Kunst, City of Orange city manager, unveiled a PowerPoint he called “Budget 101” at the May 25 meeting, explaining his department heads’ budget requests were due last Friday, with June and most of July reserved to “crunch numbers.”

The preliminary budget is due July 24 with public hearings in August. The 2021 budget will be finalized Sept. 27, Kunst said.

He pointed out that Orange’s average homeowner

pays \$65 per month for city taxes, while most people pay \$100 per month for their cell phone.

Bridge City’s Jones said Tuesday it was way too early to say what the 2022 budget could add or would need to subtract.

“I don’t propose reducing any of the services we provide at all. I’m also looking at income producers, like sales tax.”

Sales tax receipts for Orange County have reached an all-time high the past 18 months, despite the shuttering of businesses caused by the pandemic.

Insurance payments after two years of storms and federal stimulus checks have helped keep local cash registers ringing.

Wayne Peveto From Page 1

ported to Austin for his first term in the Lege.

But he needed no time to recognize the ball of confusion that was the state’s then-system of property taxation.

“Texas had a system where each county, each city, each school district, each water district all had their own tax appraisers. There were 2,200 taxing entities in Texas appraising taxes,” Peveto explained.

“Some districts had not reappraised their property since their inception. Others had reappraised more recently and thus appeared richer than they actually were when compared to those that had not reappraised.

“There was no uniformity even as to what types of property were put on the tax rolls. Some districts taxed chickens, others taxed cows.”

Peveto’s bill, first written in 1973 but not passed by both the Texas House and Senate and signed by the Governor until 1979, created a system of countywide central appraisal districts (CADs) and appraisal review boards to allow taxpayers to contest their appraisals.



Wayne Peveto official Texas Legislature photo first year portrait in 1973.

Now, tax rates are set by each taxing entity and each homeowner’s taxes are the product of the appraised property value times rate. Collection of taxes has been assigned to each county’s tax assessor-collector.

Peveto had to submit his bill four times, in 1973, 1975, 1977 and 1979, before it became law.

“It was a very controversial bill,” he explained.

“We went from 2,200 appraisers to 254. All of those districts opposed it, doing away with all those jobs. Big oil companies didn’t want new appraisals.

“You don’t make changes to the tax code without a hell of a lot of opposition. Why ask for trouble? I saw it [a better way] and knew it had to be.”

The Texas Legislature, which meets for five months every two years, paid a \$400 per month salary when Peveto began and finally was increased to \$600 per month before he left. It remains at \$600 per month, or \$7,200 per year.

“I never made more than \$25,000 a year,” he said, but that didn’t keep him from buying land.

“I started buying timber land,” he said. “The Lutch-Moore Lumber Company was selling out and I knew there would never be more land on the market.

“I borrowed as much as I could and bought as much as I could. I obligated myself to notes of \$25,000 a year. I obligated myself to working real hard, which I did.”

Besides running cattle, Peveto has raised soybeans and rice on his land.

“I was busy,” he said. “But I’m getting so darn old, I’m going to have to retire before too long.”

Gatemouth Brown From Page 1

The new “Gatemouth Plaza” will be unveiled at LSCO’s Oktoberfest in the fall.

“Our fall festival is always a terrific event where the community comes to campus to see all that Lamar State College Orange has to offer,” said Dr. Thomas Johnson, the school president.

“This year it will be doubly so because of the naming of this new landmark. We are excited to celebrate Gatemouth, his legacy and im-

portance to Orange.”

Brown was born in Vinton, Louisiana, but moved with his family to Orange as an infant. His music was shaped by a mix of Texan and Cajun cultures.

He learned from his musician father and became known for his guitar and fiddle playing, as well as his deep singing voice. Brown also played the drums, violin, mandolin and harmonica. His music reflected Afri-

can-American folk traditions of the Southwest.

As a teen, he played drums in area swing bands and was nicknamed “Gatemouth” because of his deep voice.

Brown toured throughout the United States and Europe, appearing as a music ambassador for the United States State Department. In 1982, his “Alright Again” received a Grammy for Best Traditional Blues Album.

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From The Creaux's Nest

DEMS WALK OUT TO BLOCK CONTROVERSIAL VOTING RIGHTS BILL

Republican-dominated Texas Legislature, despite pleas nationwide, is closing out the legislative session with many of its conservative priorities heading to the governor's desk. Lawmakers also approved the so-called "constitutional carry" bill allowing Texans to carry handguns in public without a permit. Texas House Democrats staged a dramatic exit from the state capitol last Sunday, blocking the passage of a controversial voting bill just before a midnight deadline. As members were gathering their things and walking out, Gov. Abbott conceded that the priority bill was dead – for now. He vowed to resurrect the election bill and another on bail reform in a special session. Democrats and voting rights groups cheered the successful maneuver that killed a bill they had been denouncing for months as discriminatory and voter suppression. Senate Bill 7 would have barred early voting past 9 p.m. anywhere in Texas and ended drive-thru voting and mass-mailing of vote-by-mail applications. This is scary. A last-minute add to the bill would have allowed judges to void elections if the number of alleged illegal votes exceeded the margin of victory without verifying that fraudulent ballots actually tipped the election. At least 250 laws had been proposed by Republican lawmakers in 43 states as of March. Texas already has some of the most restrictive voting laws in the country. The Democrats are declaring at least a short-term victory, saying they were forced to walk out after it became clear that Republicans were going to deny them the ability to talk at length before the bill was voted on.

TURNING BACK THE HANDS OF TIME 10 Years Ago-2011

Baseball came to an end Saturday in Southeast Texas when the Bridge City Cardinals lost to Robinson Waco in the regional semi-finals, 13-12. Bridge City ended its season as district champs with a 22-12 record. It was a great effort by a great bunch of kids. Good luck and thanks to the seniors who gave us so much pleasure. Thanks also to our writer Joey Encalade for his outstanding coverage. Radio is not his calling but he knows baseball. To Mark Dunn for his outstanding photography and special thanks to coach Landry, Laird and Moore for their dedication to the sport. Leon Hale marked 90 years on May 30. Houston Chronicle published five columns in Sunday's edition picked from his 21 best. Hired in 1949, for years he wrote a daily column for the old Houston Post and in 1984, when the Post sold to the Chronicle, he joined their staff. He began blogging in 2006. Leon Hale pays attention to what other writers say, like the quote Ellen Goodman wrote in 1981, "Writing a daily column is like being married to a nymphomaniac, just when you think you're finished, you have to start all over." He tacked the quote on his wall. In a way, I believe all column writers can relate to Goodman's quote. It looks to me like I'm always starting over. I passed the five Chronicles on to my friend Neighbor Cox. I always save Leon's columns for him. Sometime it's three months before I get them to him but I think he enjoys them anyway. On June 6, 2010, Harry Land, 66, died in a motorcycle accident. Our friend Lannie Claybar, died at age 57, on June 6, 1969 in Houston. He would be 109 years old today. June 5 is said to be the perfect Gemini day because it falls in the middle of the sign. As many days on one side as on the other. Folks we know who celebrate on that day are Joyce Dowdle, Tim Hughes, Roy Dunn and Britt Godwin. Marline Perry also celebrated her special day on June 5. By the way, she and Ben Perry are expecting a little girl Gemini on June 17. Our special friend Helen Harrington will celebrate June 6 and lovely Shirley Zimmerman celebrates June 7. Mrs. Eula Mae Waters, age 81, of Bridge City, died Thursday, May 26. Services were held Tuesday May 31. She was a good lady. Lynn and Carol Emerson, after all these years in the grocery business, will get to retire. They have sold their convenience store, "The Store" at Roundbunch and Hwy. 408. Over the years they have been hard workers and deserve good to come their way. Our friends will be missed. They ran a good, clean store. They started in business when they were teenagers. They had one of the few American owned "C" stores left. Former Gov. Sarah Palin made a star like entrance in D.C., riding the back of a Harley. When Palin resigned as the governor of Alaska, she and Todd owed a half-million dollars, today, she's super rich, even paid \$1 million cash for a home in Arizona. She knows how to play the money game. Doctors Ozz and Mehmet say the seven most important foods are broccoli, oats, wheat brand, cantaloupe, sweet potatoes, milk and red peppers. Why? Because they contain the most neglected nutrients, calcium, potassium, fiber, magnesium and vitamins A, C and E. Texas lawmakers fail to balance the budget. They are now in a special session. Republicans hold every statewide office. The state is \$27 billion in the deficit hole and after 144 days, they are still looking at balancing the budget on the backs of education and the elderly. The Tea Party presence has put Speaker Straus and Lt. Gov. Dewhurst in a position to have to fend off attacks

from the extreme right wing of their party. Gov. Perry is taking a national bow, hoping to be invited to be the number two man on the national ticket. The new budget will have time bombs and no provisions for the 80,000 additional children expected to show up at schools next year. The state budget will have \$4 billion less for schools. Lawmakers will also short change Medicaid, setting aside \$5 billion less than will be needed. The Perry "Story" doesn't mention the cost shifts to college students, local governments and tripling fees. Perry's story shades the truth, like the claim of social fiscal management. He's building his reputation on the backs of the people of Texas. It's a different story once you get by the cover. When will this drought ever end? Some areas in Orange County have received less than two inches of rain this year, running 17 inches below normal. It will probably take a disturbance in the gulf or a tropical storm to get us caught up. Meanwhile, gardens, plants and lawns are burning up and no significant rain expected in the near future. Old timers say it's the worse drought since 1953.

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN Obituaries 10 Years Ago-2011

Raymond Roger Landry, 57, of Bridge City died Friday, May 27. Funeral Services were held on Monday, May 30. He served in the Air National Guard and was a Pumper at Motiva. Raymond is survived by his wife, Patricia (Uzzle) Landry; sons Derek, Ryan and Michael; daughter Lea; eight grandchildren. Funeral services for Lea Rachal (Bennett) Tate, 38, of Orange were held Friday, May 27. She worked as a sales representative for several area car dealerships and attended Stephen F. Austin University as the recipient of several scholarships. She is survived by her mother, Sharron Bennett Rollins and husband, Ron; father, George Bennett and Elsie; grandmother, Ruby Rachal; son, Sterling Tate. Billie "Molly" Raye Smith, 68, died Wednesday May 25. Service was held on Saturday, May 28. Molly is survived by her husband, Kenneth Smith; daughter Rebecca; sons Webb Rhodes and Joseph Rhodes; and five grandchildren.

15 Years Ago-2006

Career law enforcement officer and present chief deputy, John Tarver, turned in his letter of resignation to Sheriff Mike White last week, effective in three weeks, June 16. His desire to retire wasn't a surprise but the timing was. Terry and Ella Stuebing surprised everyone by resigning their positions the day before high school graduation. They kept it close to the vest and I'm sure no one had a clue. Terry was high school principal and Ella, a longtime principal, was at the intermediate school. They had their reasons for both retiring now. "The timing was right," said Terry. He has served the district for 32 years, starting as a coach, Ella for 30 years. Constable Parker Thompson is still very ill but showing improvement. I bet in a few months P.T. will be back on the beat, doing the love of his life, law enforcement. Skipper and Keble Free went for a ride Friday evening. They woke up Saturday morning at Buxton's Place in Ruidoso, New Mexico. You never know about those two and where they will land next.

45 Years Ago-1976

Ray Granger and Louis Reed tried to beat the fastest train in the south, the Amtrack Sunset Limited, and lost. They were lucky, not too many folks walk away from a train wreck. The first International Gumbo Cookoff was a large success. Chamber members and Ann McCollum had their stuff together. Around 7,500 people attended. Ann and Lou Malcolm's gumbo edged out Major Inman and Jim Graves. Some of the folks spotted were: "Teddy Bear" Cox, Liz Wickersham, Louis Dugas, H.D. Pate, Roy and Phyllis Dunn, Barbara Smith, Mrs. Cleo Hogan, Nita and Peter Henry, Lynn and Carol Emerson, Corky and Betty Harmon and Jerry Wimberley, who was being blood tested by M.J. Girlinghouse. M.J. said he found no pressure on Jerry at all. Gumbo Cookoff champions were Mildred Cobb, grand champion, Lennard Carlsson, professional class, Mrs. Marshall Duhon, of Bridge City, was named number one in amateur class. Bruce Tuppen, a fine young man, was killed in an auto accident last week. Bruce is the second son Jimmy Tuppen lost in auto accidents. Benis Lee and his children lost his wife and mother, Paula, a few days ago. Helen Harrington has a milk cow that gives two gallons a day and her lying husband says half of it is cream. Twenty-five athletes respond to new no-age-limit summer baseball team. Billy Permenter and Cecil Allen will get things going. Ray Pousson and Ronnie Rost, who both attend the University of Colorado on baseball scholarships, indicated a desire to play. Others are former Stark stars, Mark Bonnin, Mark Lambert, Grant Gipson, Chris Allen, Billy Bayless and Vincent Brooks. Also wanting to play are West Orange standout Jerry Caillier, now at TCU, and Marlin Richard, now at Tyler Junior College. Paul Richardson of West Orange, Charlie Hillebrandt of Bridge City and Jimmy Mallory and Dewitt Gipson, of St. Mary's and former pro Doug Patterson and former McNeese star and member of the Little League World champion team, Joe Kazmar will instruct, and play.

NOSTALGIA A Look at the Past

When I think back at all the years I've traveled probably the best years in the country were between 1950 and 1960. WWII had been over five years and many improvements had been developed during the war years. The Korean conflict started in 1950 was no comparison to WWII. I worked two jobs in 1953 while in Green Bay, Wisconsin. By day I worked at a desk making factory and at night at International Canning Co., usually living on four or five hours sleep. It was a time that features some of our best music. All the great country stars, plus the soul music of Louis Armstrong, Nate King Cole, Swamp Pop, Fats Domino and a host of other great groups. Elvis was the big star until The Beatles invades the U.S. from England, changing music across the board in the 1960's. When I was a baby, my mother put me in flower sack diapers. My wife used cloth, washable diapers which she washed by hand and hung on a clothes line to dry. In 1961, when our

last child came along, Proctor & Gamble Co. came up with a disposable diaper, later named Pampers. Through the years came Luvs, Huggies, etc. forever doing away with bad baby rash from cloth diapers. The 1960 Olympics, in Rome, Italy, featured one of our country's greatest athletes, Wilma Rudolph. As a child, like so many youngsters in the 1940's and early 50's, after contacting Polio, she wore leg braces. Wilma, despite that early handicap, won three gold medals in the 100-meter and 200-meter sprints and 400-meter relay. 1960 brought Chubby Checker's dance craze called "The Twist," "Psycho" earned Hitchcock a fortune and "To Kill a Mockingbird" was published. Cassius Clay (later Muhammad Ali) boxed his way to gold in the Rome Olympics. Politics changed forever with televised debates. On black and white TV, on a presidential debate, John F. Kennedy out shined Richard Nixon. In 1958, actor Peter Lawford bought the story idea of "Ocean 11." It was released in 1960, featuring the "Rat Pack," (remember them?) Lawford, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis, Jr. and Frank Sinatra. The plot was perfect for the Rat Pack, a version of themselves, hard partying, misbehaving circle of friends. Of course "Old Blue Eyes" played the leader Danny Ocean. It was in 1960 when Arnold Palmer transformed golf into a spectators sport coming from behind to win at the U.S. Open, going into the final round tied for 15th and trailing the leader by seven strokes. Palmer birdied six of the first seven holes to erase his deficit. At days end "Arnie's Army" was born. In 1968 Palmer was the first golfer to reach \$1 million in lifetime earnings. Recently Phil Mickelson, at age 51, became the oldest golfer to win a PGA championship. I could go on with this nostalgia but I'd better get back to my regular work before I get wrote up for playing. In 1963, Six Flags over Texas opened the first amusement park in the country which featured high/fast rides. The park was located between Dallas and Fort Worth. I'll never forget that first visit.

A FEW HAPPENINGS

A few folks we know celebrating birthdays in the next few days, all Gemini's. June 2: Best wishes to Elberte "Bertie" Herman who turns 89 today. Also Debbie Crews, Shilo Carr, John Gifford, Kayla Hickey all celebrate today. June 3: Pretty Tanya Molley, (thank God she looks like her mom) celebrates today. Sharing a birthday is Att. Harold Trantham and Herman Dupuis. June 4: Our buddy Glenn Fisher has a birthday. We miss him. Also celebrating is Sandra Hoke, Britany Yu, Paige and Jade Ousley. A year ago, June 4, 2020, my friend Millard died. "Neighbor Cox" was 95 and in fair health at the time. While blowing leaves on his driveway he fell and broke his neck. He died a few days later. I think about him daily, many things I'd like to tell him about or ask him about. June 5: This day is referred to as the perfect Gimini because it falls right in the middle of the sign, as many days on one side as the other. Some folks who celebrate on this day are Tim Hughes, Joyce Dowdle, Britt Godwin, constable Matt Ortego, Carrie Prouse, Gena Guyote, Brenda Howard and Roy Dunn. June 6: Today is D-Day-1944. Celebrating birthdays are Amanda Rainwater, Lynn Fields, Sonia Smith, Gail Griffith and Linda Sims. June 7: Gabe's big sister, Samantha Ball, turns 5-years-old today. This is also "Best Friends Day." I want to wish good friend Shirley Zimmerman, who I miss seeing, a happy birthday today. Also to Roger Smith and Billy Frank Bradberry. June 8: Happy Birthday to Walter Riedel, now retired, also to Shon Jones, Tana Hightower and Crystal Wells. A friend sent me this message. Just a thought: We should put a sign on the interstate coming into Texas. "WELCOME TO THE WILD WEST. If you don't have a gun we will issue you one. NO QUESTIONS ASKED."

CAJUN STORY OF THE WEEK

Cuzzin Sostan says he knows da following story to be true. Alsid Boudreaux and Joe Babineaux had bout been best friends for years dem, and day bout live to dere early 90's. Babineaux suddenly falls deathly sick him. Boudreaux, his good friend, comes to visit him on his death bed. Da two reminisce about dere long friendship.

Den Boudreaux axe his friend dat is dying, "Babineaux, do me a favor, wen you die, I want to know if dere is baseball in heaven."

Poor Babineaux is taking his last breath him, wen he answer, "Boudreaux, you been my friend all our lives, I'll do dat for you me." Den Babineaux dies him.

A couple of days later Boudreaux is asleep wen he hears his friend's voice. Babineaux say, "Boudreaux, I got some good news and some bad news me." "Da good news is dat dey got baseball in Heaven."

"Good," said Boudreaux, "Wat's da bad news hanh?"

Babineaux say, "Well, it's like dis, you pitching on Wednesday."

C'EST TOUT REPUBLICANS BLOCK RIOT COMMISSION

United States Senate Republicans blocked a bi-partisan commission to study the U.S. Capitol riot on Jan. 6. Last week President Biden said, "I can't imagine anyone voting against the establishment of a commission to study the greatest assault on the capitol since the Civil War." There is no guessing game here. We all know who provoked the insurrection against our democracy. Now Trump supporters want to sweep it under the rug in an attempt to rewrite history. Republicans held 30 hearings on Hillary Clinton, one lasted 11 hours in one day. I think the best plan is to form a committee in the Congress, bi-partisan, half Republican, half Democrat, and let the chips fall where they might. Either that or President Biden appoint a bi-partisan commission. That all for me today. Take care, be safe and God Bless America.



Deaths & Memorials

Donald Granger, 92, Orangefield

Donald (Don) Granger of Broadus, Texas, passed away May 28, 2021 at the age of 92 years old, surrounded by his family and loved ones.

He leaves behind his bride of 67 1/2 years, Lois Elaine Broussard Granger and daughters: Donalaine Weston, Karen Jean Tibbitts and Connie Gayle Granger. Don had six grandchildren: Kent Tibbitts, Chris Tibbitts, Tabitha Green Smith, Chris Weston, Ashley Green and Laura Weston Powell and a multitude of great and great great grandchildren, as well as brothers, sisters and numerous nieces and nephews. Don was the son of Irvie "Go Slow" Granger and Loy Wilder Granger of Orangefield, Texas.

He was preceded in death by both his parents and a brother, Willie Granger and sister, Pauline Gentry. Don's remaining sisters and brothers are: Alice Hymes, Louis "Jackie" Granger, Darlene Martin, Jimmy Granger and Lilian Lombardo. Don was born in Orangefield and lived in the area until he joined the U.S. Army and proudly served his country during the Korean War.

He was a proud American Veteran. In 1953, he returned from overseas and married his love and lifelong soulmate, Elaine. They ultimately settled in McLewis, Texas before



Donald Granger

moving to Broadus, Texas five years ago. Throughout this timeframe he worked in the U.S. and in the Middle East and Africa as a rig mechanic in the oil industry. He returned home full time, when the grandbabies started to arrive. Don owned and operated Ladybug Dump Truck Service in McLewis and Country Haven Mobile Home Park in Orangefield, Texas.

Don was a beloved husband and a loving father to his girls.

He loved growing vegetables, as his dad had and grew and tended beautiful flower gardens for momma. He was also a great Astros fan. He also had a great love for his animal family. He raised cattle, goats, chickens and many other animals and they loved him too. A very special one was a calf he raised and bottle fed, until she was old enough for him to hand feed her butter and sugar sandwiches every night when he got home from work at Livingston Shipyard. Hopey was his special one. He was always ready to help anyone in need.

Most importantly though, were Momma and his girls. He was generous, caring and kind and he loved us dearly. We will miss you dearly daddy. Rest in God's hands until we see you again. We love you, Momma, Donalaine, Lee, Karen Jean, Doyle and Connie Gayle — ALWAYS and FOREVER!!!!

Wayne Davis, 68 Bridge City

Wayne Davis, 68, of Bridge City, passed away on May 27, 2021, at his home.

Born in Orange, Texas, on February 18, 1953, he was the son of Wilbur Davis and Edith Whitten. Wayne worked as a welder for many years. He loved his family dearly and left an impact on many lives. Wayne will be dearly missed by those who knew and loved him.



Wayne Davis

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Paula Kay Davis; second wife Belenda Davis; siblings, Judy Gail Stivey, Janet Darlene Patillo, and Danny Davis; son in law, Michael Oli-

ver; and niece, Julie Davis.

He is survived by his children, Rachel Yvonne Oliver of Bridge City, Elijah Wayne Davis of Orange, and Joshua Jedediah Davis of West Orange; grandchildren, Draven Todd, Xavier Oliver, Abigail Rayne Oliver, Jeremiah Davis, Gabriel Uriah Ramb, Nakona Davis, Temperance Davis, and Robert Davis; brother, Robert Davis; sons, Wilbur Davis and Jacob Davis; grandchildren, Nicholas Robert Wayne Davis, Ella Sue Davis, and Jayden Davis.

Cremation will be under the direction of Claybar Funeral Home.

LCMCISD meetings set for homeschool, private school parents

A meeting to discuss possible services for homeschooled and private school students that are eligible to attend LCM schools will be held at the Little Cypress-Mauriceville CISD Administration Building located at 6586 FM 1130, Orange, Texas on Monday, June 14th at 4:30 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to give representatives of private schools and parents who homeschool their children the opportunity to participate in planning and consulta-

tion for the federal Title 1, 2, & 4 programs. Following the presentation of this information, there will be a consultation meeting to discuss which eligible private school students will receive special education services, the services to be provided, how and where the services will be provided, and how the services provided will be evaluated.

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Texas House Speaker Phelan says Gov. Abbott could hurt legislative agencies by blocking salaries

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Texas House Speaker Dade Phelan said Tuesday he has concerns with Gov. Greg Abbott's recent vow to veto a section of the state budget that funds the Legislature, citing how the move to block such pay could impact staffers and legislative agencies.

"I understand the frustration the governor has in [lawmakers] not passing those emergency items — they were priorities of the governor, they were priorities of mine, priorities of many members of the Legislature," Phelan, a Beaumont Republican, said in an interview with The Texas Tribune. "My only concern is how it impacts staff, especially those who live here in Austin, which is not an inexpensive place to live and raise your family and children."

Abbott's vow came after a Democratic walkout in the House late Sunday night blocked passage of Senate Bill 7, his priority elections bill that would overhaul voting rights in Texas.

"No pay for those who abandon their responsibilities," Abbott said in a tweet.

Phelan also said he thinks that, under the Constitution, lawmakers would still have to be paid even if Abbott carried out his veto. Lawmakers are paid \$600 a month in addition to a per diem of \$221 every day the Legislature is in session, both during regular and special sessions.

The governor has said he will summon the Legislature back to Austin for an overtime round to pass the legislation, though he has not yet specified when he plans to do so. Lawmakers are already expected to return this for a special session to redraw the state's political maps.

Phelan said if Abbott carries out the veto, which he has until June 20 to do, lawmakers could be back for an earlier-than-anticipated overtime round to deal with the issue, since the budget at issue covers the fiscal year starting Sept. 1.

The speaker also said he had concerns about how the move could impact legislative agencies such as the Legislative Budget Board, which are also funded by article X of the budget.

"They weren't the ones who decided that we were going to break quorum," Phelan said.

Abbott is the only elected official who can decide which issues are included in a special session agenda and when one can happen. He



House Speaker Dade Phelan speaks with legislators on the House floor on May 30, 2021. PHOTO: Miguel Gutierrez Jr./The Texas Tribune

has said that both the voting bill and priority bail legislation that also failed to advance during the regular session will be added to a special session agenda.

Asked Tuesday whether there were additional issues he'd like to see included, Phelan suggested that lawmakers could go further on some of the issues the Legislature debated about how to shore up the state's electrical grid after a deadly winter storm in February left millions of homes and businesses without electricity for days.

While lawmakers sent Abbott legislation that will make some changes to the state's power grid, such as requiring power plants to prepare key infrastructure for more extreme weather, they did not pass measures to structurally change the Texas electricity market that some experts called for in the wake of the massive storm.

"I think there's some more discussion that needs to occur about securitization and making certain that the grid is exactly how we need it to be in not just the summer months but winter months as well," he said.

On SB 7, Phelan expressed interest in taking a more piecemeal approach during a special session, suggesting that the issue could be broken into multiple pieces of legislation instead of an omnibus bill, which he said sometimes "can become just too weighty."

The move, he said, could help lawmakers "feel more comfortable about what's in each piece of legislation and give everyone a better opportunity to vet the ideas."

Phelan, who was elected to his first term as speaker by House members in January, also said Tuesday he will almost certainly seek another term at the gavel.

Phelan put the odds of that at "99% — because I haven't talked to my wife yet."

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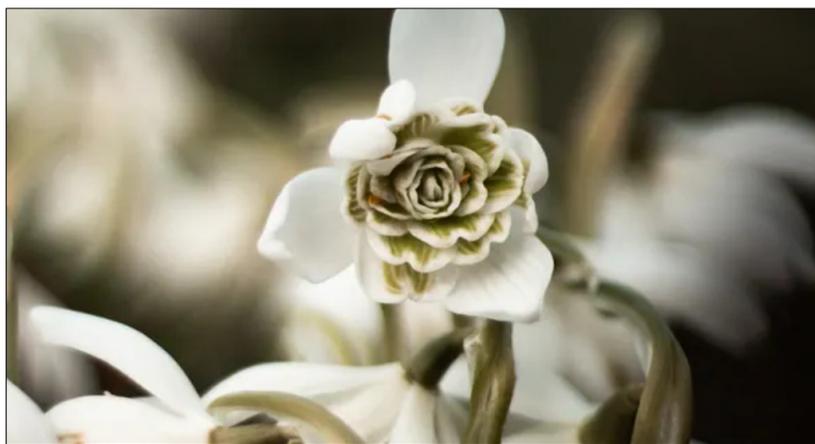
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“Matt, would you grab the rest of the groceries from the trunk of the car?”

The familiar words fell on me with greater irritation than normal because I was immersed in my favorite childhood hobby, sorting through my collection of sports cards. What I initially interpreted as a demand (and interruption!), however, was actually an expression of my father’s love for me, because his request was an invitation in disguise.

After delaying for far too long, I finally dropped the cards and made my way to the trunk, expecting to find eggs, lettuce, and cereal. When I finally fulfilled my duty, I realized that I had been duped — in the best way possible. Sitting in the trunk was an unopened box of 1986 Fleer Basketball cards. This may not seem significant to you, but my adolescent brain instantly knew that I was moments away from adding a Michael Jordan rookie card to my collection. I grabbed the box of cards and ran inside the house to find my father eagerly waiting to join in my joy. I will never forget the sweetness of those moments with him.

As the years have passed, I have come to believe that Jesus would have appreciated my father’s approach. While Jesus extends many invita-



tions through plain and explicit language, the Gospel narratives also include invitations that begin in disguise. The pathways Jesus chooses to give us more of himself often begin with Jesus asking something from us.

‘Give Me a Drink’

Jesus, wearied by his journey, sits down beside a well in Samaria. Moments later, a woman comes to draw water, and she hears these words from Jesus: “Give me a drink” (John 4:7). At face value, this may appear to be a reasonable petition from a thirsty man. In reality, though, these words will open a bottomless fountain for a thirsty woman. His demand is an invitation in disguise.

She is surprised that Jesus would ask her for a drink. Her cause for pause is undoubtedly focused on the cultural, ethnic, and reli-

gious barriers that Jesus crossed by engaging with a Samaritan woman. As real as those barriers were, Jesus points her to the true reason she should marvel: “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water” (John 4:10). Do you see the invitation in his request? What starts as an appeal to get something from her becomes an amazing offer to be something for her.

What Jesus demands from her, he desires to give to her, if she would just ask and receive.

It doesn’t take long before the woman asks Jesus to give her this living water. She then leaves to tell her village about Jesus, believing that she has met the promised Messiah. Strikingly, she leaves her water jar behind, suggesting that Jesus has given to her the very thing he

asked from her.

‘You Feed Them’

After a day of Jesus teaching the crowds about the kingdom of God in a desolate place, his disciples ask him to send the people away to find lodging and food. Jesus looks at his disciples and says, “You give them something to eat” (Luke 9:13).

Not sensing the invitation in his words, the disciples immediately feel overwhelmed by his demand. So, knowing they could never afford to buy dinner for this many people, they gather up the little food they have (a few fish and some bread) and put it into Jesus’s hands. Placing what they had in his hands allows them to participate in something greater than they could have imagined. They are about to experience, loaf after loaf and fish after fish, the marvelous reality that what Jesus de-

mands from them, he desires to be for them, if they would just ask and receive from him.

Jesus has the masses sit down in groups, and after giving thanks, he begins to give food to the disciples to serve the people. The food continues to multiply until all eat to their satisfaction, and twelve baskets are left, each full of food. What a scene this must have been. When Jesus said, “You give them something to eat,” they barely had enough food for themselves. Now, when everyone had eaten, each disciple was left holding his own basket, powerfully demonstrating that Jesus had done for them the very thing he asked from them.

He Will Be All He Asks

One cannot read the Scriptures without noticing the many demands that Jesus places on his followers. He gives commands like, “Be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect” (Matthew 5:48). What are we to do under the weight of such demands? Do we engage in the futile attempt of trying to fulfill them on our own? Or do we recognize that these demands are invitations from Jesus in disguise? Jesus desires to be for us whatever he demands from us, if we will ask and receive.

We are meant to hear demands like Matthew 5:48 and place them back in Jesus’s hands, confessing, “I can’t meet your demands without you,” and asking, “Will you be for me what you have asked from me?” This exercise of faith is not only

the foundation and hope of our standing before God, but also the grace we need for every circumstance we face along the path to glory.

The Christian life is full of demands. I face demands to be a sacrificial spouse, a present father to five children, a loving neighbor, and a faithful employee. I have a choice every morning: I can rush into the day attempting to meet the demands of Christ on my own, or I can call to mind that his invitations often begin in disguise. What life demands from me, Jesus desires to be for me, if I will ask and receive.

So, like the disciples with their few fish and bread, I start each day acknowledging that I don’t have what it takes to meet all the demands, but I believe that Jesus can be for me everything the world needs from me. This is the heart of what it means to live empowered by the Spirit of God. As Paul tells us, “We have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God” (1 Corinthians 2:12). The Holy Spirit is ready to remind us of all that Jesus desires to be for us. Your daily needs are, in reality, divine invitations to experience more of him.

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Preserving Cajun Culture: Joe Bonsall and The Orange Playboys

PENNY LELEUX
FOR THE RECORD

A previous "Down Life's Highway" column in 'The Record' newspapers struck a chord with Sandra Cash. It resonated with her so deeply, that she kept a copy of that column for over a year.

"Heavenly Cajuns-who will fill their shoes" was the title of the column that was published March 18, 2020 in The Record Newspapers.

"That was the question my dad always asked," said Cash.

Her father was a local Cajun music legend, Joe Bonsall. He and his band, "The Orange Playboys" recorded countless albums before his death at age 75 in 1996. They were inducted into the Cajun Music Hall of Fame in 1981.

The name Bonsall is not French, it is English. His ancestor was rescued from a shipwreck off the coast of Louisiana according to family accounts. The survivor was adopted by the Cajuns, became immersed in the Acadian culture and fell in love with a local woman of French descent.

Bonsall was one of 11 children. He was born in Lake Arthur, La. He learned to play music at his mother's knee. Theresia Theriot Bonsall was an accordion player.

"She played at home and weekend home dances at the turn of the century," said Cash.

The family moved to Prairie View, which is now Bridge City, when Bonsall was a boy.

He fell in love with Mable Duhon from Vinton, La. And made his home there. His "day job" was a mechanic for Shell Oil Co located on Blacks Bayou in Louisiana, but his weekends were reserved for his second great love-music.

According to Cash, her father started his band "The Orange Playboys" in the 50s.

"They had a tremendous following," said Cash. "At one time his recordings were sold more in Europe than in the states."

Cash said her father never passed up an opportunity to promote the Cajun traditions by giving talks in schools, providing accordion accompaniment to Catholic masses in French, playing at music festivals and "always supporting each and every young Cajun musician."

He worked continuously to promote and preserve that way of life through music.

For years he attended the Texas Folklife Festival in San Antonio as an "Accordion King." He would also attend Oktoberfest because accordion is also a major instrument in German culture. It was there, he met Myron Floren, the assistant band director for Lawrence Welk, also an accomplished accordion



Joe Bonsall (right) and his legendary band, The Orange Playboys.

player.

"Many times, I would come home to a music class in our home," said Cash. "Dad would be tutoring young and old on the musical instrument of choice."

Bonsall played a variety of instruments including guitar, steel guitar, drums, fiddle and accordion.

"I still have some of those instruments today especially his favorite, German Sterling Accordion which was his mother's and the one he used for many recordings," said Cash.

"Every weekend was music and dances at Bailey's, B O's Sparkle, the Rodair Club, the Mecca, the Circle Club and too many venues in Texas and Louisiana to name," said Cash. "It was his life and he loved it."

This weekend mark's the 100th anniversary of Joe Bonsall's birth. Cash will be celebrating her father, the Orange Playboys and Cajun culture, Friday at the Orange Boat Club from

7-11 p.m. with Cajun musicians and a DJ playing Cajun and Swamp Pop music.

Though this is a private celebration, there is a public celebration of all things Acadian, Saturday in Port Arthur.

Gloria Pate, emcee for the Cajun Heritage Fest remembers Bonsall well.

"Joe Bonsall is best known as being a traditionalist in the Cajun music genre. He played the music as it was meant to be played and always kept the floors hopping from Southwest Louisiana to Southeast Texas," said Pate. "He and Ms. Mabel were great friends."

Pate is one of those carrying on the legacy of promoting Cajun culture through her internet radio show. The yearly festival, which also helps perpetuate the culture, is a fundraiser for Southeast Texas Arts Council, which promotes art of all types, including music.

The Cajun Heritage Fest opens its doors at



Gloria Pate of Cajun Sounds Internet Radio (CSIR) will emcee the Cajun Heritage Fest Saturday. She was inducted into the Cajun Music Hall of Fame in 2017.



Album cover of the local Cajun music legend, Joe Bonsall from the music archives of his daughter, Sandra Cash.

the Carl Parker Multipurpose Center, 1800 Lakeshore Dr. at 10:30 p.m., June 5.

There will be music, food, dance contests and crawfish races.

Wayne Toups and ZydeCajun is the event headliner. Other music during the day will be provided by Damon Troy & Louisiana Beat, Kevin Naquin & The Ossun Playboys, Leroy Thomas & the Zydeco Roadrunners, Donovan Bourque & Friends, and Pincher Jam.

The Rev. Kevin Badeaux will open the fest at 11 a.m. with a prayer in French. Children's crawfish racing is scheduled at 2 p.m. A Cajun Waltz contest is scheduled for 4 p.m. The crawfish eating contest is at 6 p.m. and a Cajun Jitterbug contest is at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased online at CajunHeritageFest.com, in person at Museum of the Gulf Coast in Port Arthur or at the door.



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Entertainment: New shows will heat-up the summer



Country music star Jason Aldean announced a show for The Woodlands as part of his 2021 summer tour. Several other events have been announced for summer and fall and can be found in the list. **RECORD PHOTO: Tommy Mann Jr.**

TOMMY MANN JR. FOR THE RECORD

New shows have been announced for the summer and fall, such as Flo Rida in Lake Charles, Jason Aldean in The Woodlands and Shinedown in Sugarland, while others, such as the biggest show of the summer featuring Def Leppard, Motley Crue and Poison, has been delayed another year.

Regardless, there are plenty of events on tap around the region but be sure to check with the venue for confirmation or changes.

June 11 Blackberry Smoke, House of Blues, Houston

June 12 Slaughter, Kix, Warehouse Live, Houston

June 16 Halsey, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

June 17 John Corabi,

Warehouse Live, Houston

June 17 Herman's Hermits starring Peter Noone, Dosey Doe, The Woodlands

June 18 Brett Scallions, Warehouse Live, Houston

June 18 Reckless Kelly, The Heights Theater, Houston

June 24 Flo Rida, L'Auberge Casino Resort, Lake Charles, La.

June 25 Warrant, Lita Ford, Bulletboys, Warehouse Live, Houston

June 26 Jo'El Sonnier, Wayne Toups, Chris Bergeron, The Oaks Event Center, Vidor

June 26 Buckcherry, Hinder, Saliva, Drowning Pool, Red, Saving Abel, Tantric, Warehouse Live, Houston

June 27 Chicago, Cynthia

Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

July 9 Clay Walker, Randall King, Laine Hardy, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

July 10 Los Aguilar, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

July 17 Santana, Earth, Wind and Fire, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

July 23 Rehab, The Oaks Event Center, Vidor

July 24 Lindsey Stirling, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

July 30 Foghat, Dosey Doe, The Woodlands

July 31 Faster Pussycat, Enuff Z Nuff, Warehouse Live, Houston

Aug. 5 Justin Bieber, Toyo-

ta Center, Houston

Aug. 12 Tame Impala, Perfume Genius, Toyota Center, Houston

Aug. 13 Matchbox Twenty, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Aug. 14 Ian Moore, The Heights Theater, Houston

Aug. 14 The Black Crowes, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Aug. 15 Brad Paisley, Jimmie Allen, Kameron Marlowe, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Aug. 18 Disturbed, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Aug. 20 Carvin Jones Band, Jefferson Theatre, Beaumont

Aug. 21 Rod Stewart, Cheap Trick, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Aug. 22 Megadeth, Lamb of God, Trivium, In Flames, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Aug. 31 Goo Goo Dolls, Smart Financial Center, Sugar Land, Texas

Sept. 4 "BUZZFEST" feat. The Offspring, Chevelle, P.O.D., Candlebox, Mammoth WVH, Ayrton Jones, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Sept. 8 Between the Buried and Me, Rise Rooftop, Houston

Sept. 11 Jason Aldean, Hardy, Lainey Wilson, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Sept. 13 Harry Styles, Jenny Lewis, Toyota Center, Houston

Sept. 18 Kings of Leon, Cold War Kids, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Sept. 19 Tanya Tucker, The Heights Theater, Houston

Sept. 19 Korn, Staind, Fire From the Gods, '68, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Sept. 21 Pretty Boy Floyd, Warehouse Live, Houston

Sept. 26 Daryl Hall and John Oates, Squeeze, KT Tunstall, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Sept. 28 Shinedown, The Struts, Zero 9:36, Smart Financial Center, Sugar Land

Oct. 2 Parker McCollum, Lainey Wilson, Flatland Cavalry, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Oct. 6 Frank Marino and Mahogany Rush, Warehouse Live, Houston

Oct. 15 Kane Brown, Jordan Davis, Restless Road, Chase Rice, Toyota Center, Houston

Oct. 16 Anderson East, White Oak Music Hall, Houston

Oct. 21 L.A. Guns, Warehouse Live, Houston

Oct. 21 Andrea Bocelli, Toyota Center, Houston

Oct. 21 Doobie Brothers, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Oct. 24 Ministry, Helmet, Front Line Assembly, House of Blues, Houston

Oct. 30 King's X, Warehouse Live, Houston

Nov. 6 Chris Stapleton, Jamey Johnson, Yola, Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, The Woodlands

Nov. 7 Loudness, Warehouse Live, Houston

Nov. 28 Postmodern Jukebox, House of Blues, Houston

Jan. 21, 2022 Elton John, Toyota Center, Houston

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Aug. 19, 2022 Def Leppard, Motley Crue, Poison, Joan Jett and the Blackhearts, Minute Maid Park, Houston

'Depot Day' welcomes kids to June 5 event

Staff Report For The Record

Families will be flocking to DEPOT DAY on Saturday, June 5, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Orange Train Depot Museum at 1210 Green Avenue in Orange.

DEPOT DAY, the annual fundraiser sponsored by the Friends of the Orange Depot traditionally held on the first Saturday in May, was postponed because of rain.

Children will enjoy the brand new addition to the Depot, the G gauge Southern Pacific model railroad, which runs around a specially made track on the reception room wall. Volunteers George Bohn and Benny Rhodes, local model railroaders have been in charge of acquiring the train and getting the track, which was donated.

Entry is free to Depot Day,

with a small fee charged for rides which are located on the grounds. This year, attractions include a kiddie train, bouncy house, petting zoo, balloon artist and pony rides. There will also be musical entertainment by the Orange Community Players and dancing by the Orange Blossom Dancers.

Tours will be conducted inside the depot, where historical exhibits and other surprises will be open to the public. Since the pandemic limitations, only special events have been held in the depot. Food vendors will be featuring hamburgers, Cajun food, ice cream, and assorted beverages. Various local vendors will be selling plants and assorted gift items and art inside the depot.

A broad array of items for the special drawing will be

awarded to the lucky winners: a number of gift certificates from local businesses and boy and girl bicycles. Tickets for this drawing will be \$1.00 each, six for \$5.00. All proceeds go toward the future exhibits and support of the Depot.

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FISHING
CAPT. DICKIE COLBURN
For The Record



Dickie Colburn

It looks as though more rain could come into play this week, but the folks that were able to fish last weekend were treated to some of the most user-friendly weather in a while. More importantly, a large percentage of them caught fish!

As expected, the trout bite was a challenge and more than one trip to Rayburn was cancelled due to launching problems, but Sabine Lake and Toledo Bend more than made up for that minor inconvenience.

Ben White and his two son-in-laws immediately returned home after assessing the lack of available ramps on Rayburn only to discover that several local ramps required getting wet to launch. "We almost just blew it off," said White, "but I am glad the boys were more determined than I was."

With no clue as to where to even start, they decided to cruise the Louisiana side of the lake and return on the Texas side. They were about a half-mile off the shoreline when one of the boys spotted a few pelicans and terns diving in a small area.

"We were still rigged up for bass fishing when every redfish in the lake started blowing holes in the water," said White. That explains why their first three slot fish were caught on a buzz bait, a frog and a Whacky worm.

"I knew they would eat anything if we could just reach them," added White, "and I was afraid they would disappear before we could all cut off and re-tie. As it turned out, we had plenty of time. Larry beat Jason nine to five before they disappeared!"

Apparently, that scenario played out in more than one area from the Causeway to the north revetment wall. Mike Simmons and his wife, Karla, limited three days in a row and fished only the shoreline with a gold spoon and four-inch Swim Bait. "We never found a bunch in one spot, but we found at least one in a bunch of spots." The Simmons spent all three mornings fishing south of Johnson's Bayou.

I also made the mistake of assuming that the trout catching could take a while to recover only to have Aaron Day immediately put an end to the conversation with a picture on his phone. "We can't find a three pound trout," he pointed out, "but we have limited every trip....rain or no rain."

He did indeed have several pictures of trout limits and as he pointed out, they were on the small end of the slot. The difference for us has been that they are harder to find with all of this fresh water, but when we find them we find a bunch in one spot."

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After 70-Years Baseball Still Presents Some Firsts For Me

KAZ'S KORNER
Joe Kazmar
For The Record



Joe Kazmar

One of the first things I learned to do in baseball as a Little Leaguer after hitting, throwing and catching the ball was how to properly slide gracefully into a base on my bottom.

Taking it one step further was the importance of sliding into second base in an effort to break up a double play.

When I was in high school our coach was adamant that we spend at least 10 minutes before each practice sliding in the high jump pit.

When I was playing in the 1954 Little League World Series in Williamsport, PA., I was trying to go from first to third on a single to right field.

Not being a speed merchant, I had to a hook slide into third base to avoid the tag. United Press International snapped a photo of the slide that went to newspapers all over the world with cutlines commending the evasive slide.

Baseball, at least in college, must have altered the sliding rules I learned because I saw the Tennessee Volunteers get deprived of a victory over Alabama last Wednesday in a Southeast Conference post-season tournament game on a slide into second base on a double play attempt.

Setting the situation, the score was tied 2-2 in the bottom of the ninth inning with one out and a Tennessee runner on third base. Alabama's coach ordered the next two Vols hitters intentionally walked to load the bases to either have a force out at home or an inning-ending double play to send the game into extra innings.

The Tennessee batter hit a grounder to second, who tossed to the shortstop for the force out, but the relay to first was very late and the winning run



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scored for the Vols.

This produced high fives, back slapping and even a pile of Vols players on the field celebrating the 3-2 win.

A couple of minutes later the umpires halted the celebration and said they were calling interference on the baserunner sliding into second base saying his hand was outside of his body barely brushing the shortstop and declared the batter also out, ending the ninth inning with the score still tied at 2-2.

Several minutes had expired as the umpires on the field were in communication with the head honchos in New York, who eventually upheld the decision.

My question is how can a runner slide into a base keeping his hands and arms inside his body stiff as a two-by-four? I've never seen it happen, nor has anyone that I talked to about it.

The answer to this situation may sound like sour grapes, but think if it—Tennessee was playing Alabama at the SEC playoff site in Hoover, Ala-

bama with umpires from the Alabama area. Sounds like a home decision to me!!!

And as fate would have it, Alabama scored a run the next inning as won the game 3-2 to stay alive in the tournament.

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The adrenaline must have been flowing in the Vols' dugout because they scored seven more runs and beat the Bulldogs 12-2 on the tourney's 10-Run Rule and advanced to the next round.

And guess who Tennessee was scheduled to play on Friday? Yep, those same Alabama Elephants who shystered the victory from the Vols two days ago.

The Vols must have been fired up

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Fishing: Spinnerbaits are a muddy water weapon

Outdoors Captain Chuck Uzzle For The Record

Any tackle geek knows they are the next great weapon in the angling arsenal, saltwater spinnerbaits have come to the coast and the redfish have a new enemy. They come in array of different colors and each one does a little something different that sets it apart from the competition.

Truth be told there are 2 basic styles and they both do a great job catching fish. The most common style is the



“safety pin” style, famous in bass fishing circles and the one most known by Texas anglers. The other is the “in line” version, a recruit from the north that was made famous on walleye lakes. Both of these baits have come to the tackle forefront and are producing excellent catches of several saltwater species, most notably redfish.

For many years several of the guides on Sabine Lake, including myself, fished clients on both Sam Rayburn and Toledo Bend as well as Sabine. Over the years we found several baits that crossed the line from fresh to salt and produced in both environments. Plugs like the Rat-l-trap, Rogue, tube jigs

and others stayed in our tackle boxes no matter where we fished. The spinnerbait joined that list when we found out we could catch largemouth bass and redfish in the same brackish water marshes that surround our area.

Many times while night fishing on the Sabine River we caught mixed stringers containing both bass and redfish, the bait worked so well we turned our friends and clients onto the program. Now the rest of the fishing world has come to know the secret that many Louisiana anglers have known for years, the spinnerbait has a place in saltwater.

The typical pattern for using spinnerbaits in saltwater

involves off colored water where sight fishing is difficult. The thump or vibration that blades put out is a top choice fish finding tool. Not only does the spinnerbait vibration make it easier to find fish you can cover plenty of water with the bait as well. A perfect example would be the “speed method” that B.A.S.S. angler Kevin Van Damm applies, he makes hundreds more cast than other guys on tour because he fishes his spinnerbaits so aggressively. By covering so much water you can rule unproductive areas quicker and with more confidence.

Now the spinnerbait can also be used in the clear water as well, they will catch fish in these conditions also.

In the marshes around Sabine and Calcasieu we will routinely throw spinnerbaits at redfish we can see.

A favorite technique is to pull the spinnerbait up to the fish and vary the retrieve by either allowing the bait to fall or “helicopter” down or to twitch the bait causing the skirt to flare out and mimic a wounded fish. Both of those techniques will result in bone jarring strikes from hungry redfish.

There are several different things you can do to an average spinnerbait that will make it more attractive to redfish. The most common is to remove the synthetic rubber skirt and replace it with a soft plastic; something with a paddle tail is prefera-

ble. The combination of the blades and the paddle tail will put out extra vibration and the profile will look like a small shad or mullet, a winning formula to say the least. If you use a skirted spinnerbait you can also add a foam earplug or piece of sponge along the shank of the hook, this will add profile, buoyancy, and also hold any type of scent or attractant much longer.

The spinnerbait is an age old lure that has found a home in saltwater and should also have a home in your tackle box.

Give them a try because they will certainly make you a better and more productive angler.

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While he wasn't into sharing any prime locations, he did say that they were finding these hungry schools right on the bottom with DOA shrimp and red shad paddle tails rigged on quarter ounce heads. He also said that they were finding their fish in really dirty water which partially explains why red shad has been such a good color.

The S.A.L.T. Club rescheduled their annual Memorial Day tournament for several reasons that all but guarantee that the new date will draw a crowd. Aside from adding a bass division, the club will again be able to include red snapper as the event is set for July 16, 17 and 18. A life time

fishing license will also be up for grabs by some lucky youngster.

Steve Simmons, the weigh master for virtually every saltwater tournament in the area, reported that the Club's Redfish event was a good one last Saturday. Mark Foreman bested the field of fourteen with a 7.44-pound fish. Roger Bertrand captured second and third place honors with 7.15 and a 6.97 red.

Up on Toledo Bend, the bream bite is still on fire, the crappie are apparently getting more comfortable with the higher water and the bass catching has been consistent as well.

Shiners remain the bait of

choice for anglers parked over brush piles. It is taking a little longer than most guides would like, but more limits are making it back to the cleaning table. Length and weight do not do a crappie justice when bragging on the size of those fish. When you are truly catching one pound crappie, there is no reason to move!

I haven't heard about any schooling activity or double digit bass, but the deep water breaks are holding good concentrations of both Kentucky and largemouth bass. Sixteen to eighteen feet has been the best place to at least start!

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for the encore, because they laid a 12-0 Ten Run Rule hickiey on the Crimson Tide, eliminating them and making them permanent fans for the rest of the tournament.

Saturday's semifinal elimination game against sixth-seeded Florida resulted in a 4-0 blanking of the Gators as Tennessee became only one of a couple of teams to register back-to-back shutouts in an SEC tournament.

This set up the championship game Sunday between the No. 2 Vols and top-seeded Arkansas which the Hogs won 7-2.

Both Arkansas and Tennessee will host this week's World Series Regionals along with Texas and Vanderbilt with the Vols also slated to host next week's Super Regionals if they win their own regional tournament.

Host Tennessee will play Wright State Friday at 5 pm in Knoxville while Duke and Liberty open the NCAA Regional Tournament at 11 am.

KWICKIES...

Los Angeles Dodgers ace left-hander Clayton Kershaw is 85-0 when leading by four-plus runs.

The Tennessee baseball team, which has won 45 games this season, has 21 come-from-behind victories to its credit.

The Seattle Seahawks are talking to Atlanta Falcons wide receiver Julio Jones about joining their team. Quarterback Russell Wilson would love to have Jones as one of his targets this fall.

The Detroit Tigers 6-2 win over the New York Yankees Sunday gave them their first home series sweep over the Bronx Bombers since 2000.

And Baltimore's 3-1 loss to the Chicago White Sox Sunday gave the Orioles a 13-game losing streak, their longest since 2009.

Albert Pujols, who wasn't good enough to play for the cellar-swelling Los Angeles Angels, homered in back-to-back games for the LA Dodgers for the first time this season. He passed Babe Ruth for fourth place in career extra base hits with 1,357.

A tip of the corner Kap to my alma mater McNeese State for winning the Southland Conference Baseball Tournament last weekend as the number 7 seed. The Cowboys beat Sam Houston State 2-1 in Saturday's championship game. The Cowboys are now headed to the NCAA Regional Tournament at Dallas Baptist and will play TCU in Friday's opening round.

JUST BETWEEN US...

Another baseball first for me involves our Houston As-

tros and their pathetic bullpen. Houston was either ahead or tied in the eighth inning against the major league's winningest team--the San Diego Padres--in all three games last weekend.

The relief pitchers allowed a combined 22 runs in those three games, with the Astros feeling fortunate to win only Sunday's game thanks to their ace Zack Greinke, who pitched eight innings for the third time this season to tie for the most in the MLB and left the game leading 7-1. The Padres hit two ninth-inning home runs and had the tying run at the plate before losing 7-4. The Astros close out their nine-game home stand against the red-hot Boston Red Sox in a four-game series that began Monday and ends tomorrow.



The Orangefield High School named the Athletes of the Year for 2021. Bailee South was named the girls and a three way tie for the Boys include, Bryce Bergeron, Grant Metts and Tyler Washington.



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Mosquito populations booming after rains

Adam Russell
Texas A&M AgriLife

That familiar buzz and bite are signs that mosquito season in Texas is here, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife entomologist.

Sonja Swiger, Ph.D., Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service entomologist and associate professor in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Department of Entomology, Stephenville, said biting mosquitoes are a seasons-long problem that often changes based on the environment.

Which species are present and whether mosquitoes are an annoyance or vectors for diseases likely depends on those conditions, she said. Similarly, the temperature, availability of water and type of water available, such as clear floodwater in ditches, a wheelbarrow that has collected water or stagnant puddles in hot, dry weather are all contributing factors to what type of mosquito is visiting you and your family.

The annual mosquito boom Rainfall, especially with multiple storm systems that have saturated and flooded areas around the state, can significantly contribute to a boom in mosquito populations, Swiger said.

"People are seeing, and should expect to see, quite a bit more mosquito activity in the next days and weeks," she said. "Our focus is going to be disease carriers that typically become a problem in late summer and early fall. However, all this rain has created plenty of habitat for floodwater and container species."

Swiger divides mosquitoes into those three categories – floodwater, container and stagnant – and they typically emerge in the order related to the breeding environment they prefer.

"Mosquitoes come in waves and can overlap as the season progresses," she said. "It can help to understand what type you are dealing with, how to do your part to control them



Biting mosquitoes like this Aedes variety prefer different breeding sites and are active at different times throughout a day. (Texas A&M AgriLife photo)

around your home and how to protect yourself and your family because we are in mosquito season."

First wave: floodwater mosquitoes

Floodwater mosquitoes are the first to emerge after rain events, Swiger said.

Heavy rains leave the ground saturated and create standing puddles in ditches and low spots in fields and lawns. Floodwater mosquito larvae emerge quickly after water becomes available. Eggs are placed there by females and wait for water, sometimes two to five years before rainfall reaches them depending on the species, Swiger said.

Floodwater mosquitoes are typically larger and are aggressive. These types of mosquitoes are often the persistent biters from dawn to dusk, Swiger said.

"The potential for standing water could make their habitat more widespread, which will make them a greater issue for more people than normal," she said. "Any location that is holding water, even in grassy areas, could be a breeding ground."

Swiger said females lay more eggs in the moist soil around puddles, and either more larvae emerge, or they will go dormant and wait for water to return. Subsequent rains can wash larvae downstream but can also trigger dormant mos-

quito eggs.

Second wave: container mosquitoes

Container mosquitoes, which include the Aedes species identified by its black and white body and white striped legs, typically emerge next. Female mosquitoes lay eggs in anything holding water – from tires, buckets and wheelbarrows to gutters, unkept pools and trash cans. They prefer clearer, fresher water, and females are constantly looking for good breeding sites.

Container mosquitoes like Aedes are daytime feeders but can be opportunistic at nighttime when large groups of people gather, Swiger said.

"Anytime after a rain, it is good to make a round on the property to look for anything that might be holding water," she said. "It just takes a matter of days for these mosquitoes to go from egg to biter, so they can become a problem pretty quickly."

Third wave: Culex mosquitoes

Culex, a mosquito species that prefers stagnant pools of water with high bacteria content, typically emerge as waters recede and dry summer conditions set in and create breeding sites in low-lying areas. They are the disease carriers that concern the public

and health officials, Swiger said.

It is not easy to forecast their emergence because their ideal environment can be washed away by additional rains or dried up by extreme heat and drought, Swiger said. In rural areas, bogs, pooled creek beds or standing water in large containers such as barrels, trash cans or wheelbarrows can make a good habitat for Culex. In the city, similar pools in dried up creeks or other low spots can create breeding sites, but most urban issues occur underground in storm drains where water can sit and stagnate.

"It's difficult to predict when or where these mosquitoes might become a problem," she said. "Widespread heavy rain makes it even more difficult to predict."

How to repel mosquitoes from yourself, children and pets

Swiger said reducing mosquito numbers in your location and the use of spray repellents are a good start when it comes to protecting yourself from bites. Covering exposed skin with long-sleeved shirts and long pants help as well.

Making recommendations for protecting people or locations from mosquitoes can be a tricky proposition, Swiger said. She does not recommend any repellents or mosquito repelling products that are not approved by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Anecdotal evidence exists that alternatives like essential oils repel mosquitoes, Swiger said. Spatial repellent devices like Thermacell are popular, however some people may balk at the chemical particles the units emit to create a barrier around a person or space.

Plants like citronella, geraniums, lemongrass, lavender, lantana, rosemary and petunias have been shown to repel mosquitoes, but Swiger said the distribution limits effectiveness for protecting a space. The number of plants and the location among other factors

quito infestations. Small children should not be taken outdoors for long periods if mosquitoes are an issue because they can have adverse reactions to mosquito bites, and spray products should be used sparingly on them, especially babies. There are age restrictions for most repellents; no repellents on babies less than 2 months old and do not use lemon of eucalyptus oil on children 3 and under.

"Protecting yourself with any spray-on, CDC-approved repellent like DEET, picaridin or lemon eucalyptus oil is my best recommendation anytime you go outside for an extended period," she said. "Personal protectants are the only certainty against bites."

Swiger said pets should be removed from areas with mos-

quito infestations. Small children should not be taken outdoors for long periods if mosquitoes are an issue because they can have adverse reactions to mosquito bites, and spray products should be used sparingly on them, especially babies. There are age restrictions for most repellents; no repellents on babies less than 2 months old and do not use lemon of eucalyptus oil on children 3 and under.

"This time of year, it's just best to limit their exposure to mosquitoes," she said.

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Lloyd Grubbs American Legion Post 49, 108 Green Ave will host a dance on June 9 from 7:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. featuring Zydecane.

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **HUEL R. FONTENOT**, were issued on **March 15, 2021, in Cause No. P18921**, pending in the County Court of Orange County, Texas, to: **Jackie D. Fontenot**.

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 David Dies
Attorney at Law
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Orange TX 77630

DATED the 26th day of May, 2021.

David Dies

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **ROBERT GRADY BROWN**, Deceased, were issued on the **MAY 18, 2021**, in Cause No. **P19052**, pending in the County Court at Law of Orange County, Texas, to: **Linda Ruth Brown**.

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c/o:
Jerry V. Pennington
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Dated the 27th day of May, 2021.

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NIGHT AT THE THEATER

- ACROSS
- *Treble or bass
 - Pharaoh's cobra
 - *Zeus' sister and wife, and character in Broadway musical "Xanadu"
 - Hair-dwelling parasites
 - Quinceañera or bat mitzvah, e.g.
 - Puts money in the bank
 - Pearl Harbor locale
 - Flair
 - Inuit boat
 - *Record-holding musical for most awards received by a single production, with The
 - *Broadway hit "Jagged Little"
 - *Comment to the audience
 - Web address
 - *er ____ at the pump
 - Private chapel
 - Keats' poem
 - Quit
 - Medley
 - ____ or do nothing
 - Right-angle building extension
 - Razor nick
 - Like lemon
 - Make a choice

- 1960s teen idol, Bobby ____
 - Give authority
 - Bias crime perpetrators
 - *Theater, e.g.
 - Cordial disposition
 - Surrender
 - *Non-musical with record number of Tony nominations
 - Shredded cabbage dishes
 - *Melpomene, e.g.
 - Just a little
 - Gold unit
 - Lodge fellows
 - *"Game of Thrones" bastard
 - Without purpose
 - Past tense of "is"
 - Short-term employee
- DOWN
- Hoof sound
 - Yarn spinner
 - Canyon sound
 - Like medieval European society
 - Was sick
 - Fixed look
 - Montblanc and such
 - *Musical with record number of Tony nominations
 - Like most fairytale stepmothers
 - Madrid's Club de Fútbol
 - Pose a question
 - Chef's prescription

- Toyota sports car model
- Shylock's practice
- Coffee pot
- *Bob ____ choreographer with most Tony awards
- *"Break a leg" or "have two left feet," e.g.
- Reduce pressure (2 words)
- Eye up and down
- Mediterranean appetizer
- Type of potato masher
- Ox connectors
- *Tiresias in "Oedipus Rex," e.g.
- Feverish
- *NYC district
- Washington, e.g.
- Sun's descent
- Onion-like herb
- Seize by force
- Obsolete office position
- Spurious wing
- *Comedy and tragedy, on a Tony medallion
- Attired
- *James ____ Jones, multiple Tony winner
- Old World duck
- Like Silver's owner
- H or O in H2O, e.g.
- Make a raucous noise
- Mogul equipment

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