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Babin calls for Biden impeachment

DAVE ROGERS
For The Record

Republican U.S. Representative Brian Babin, the Woodville dentist who represents Orange County in Congress, signed on to help lead an effort to impeach President Joe Biden.

Passage of the resolution, led by Ohio Rep. Bob Gibbs, isn't expected to succeed as the Democrats control both houses of Congress.

The resolution accuses Biden of breaking his oath of office by failing to secure the border, failing as Commander-in-Chief in the withdrawal of U.S. forces from Afghanistan and extending the moratorium on evictions despite acknowledging it was unconstitutional to do so.

"Since Jan. 20, 2021, Joe Biden has done nothing but launch our nation into a state of retrograde and increased vulnerability while thwarting the rule of law at every turn," Babin said in the Sept. 23 announcement.

"He has failed miserably at his duties as Commander-in-Chief and violated his oath of office to defend the U.S. Constitution."

Babin, elected to Congress with the help of the Tea Party in 2014, has been one of Donald Trump's most ardent supporters since he won the 2016 election.

He voted on Jan. 6 to reject results certifying the 2020 election of Biden over Trump.

Babin, who voted twice against impeaching Trump, echoed Trump's unfounded allegations of voter fraud.

He appeared on right-wing TV networks numerous times in support of what Democrats call "The Big Lie" and urged Trump supporters to come to Washington Jan. 6 for a "Stop The Steal" rally.



Brian Babin

Thousands who attended that rally followed Trump's direction to walk down Pennsylvania Avenue to the Capitol and laid siege on the building.

It was the first attack on the U.S. Capitol since the British did it during the War of 1812, forcing evacuation of the House and Senate members as they met to certify the election results.

Five people died as a result of January's action and federal officials have made more than 600 arrests.

Babin was one of four Representatives to initially back Gibbs' resolution for Biden's impeachment. Randy Weber of Friendswood, whose district includes Jefferson County, was another.

Babin listed a number of ways in which he says Biden "has failed miserably" and violated his oath of office to defend the U.S. Constitution.

They included halting construction of Trump's border wall and "releasing thousands of undocumented migrants infected with COVID-19 into our country; "overreaching his presidential authority" in extending the federal eviction moratorium; and "aiding and abetting the Taliban" in the American pull-out from 20 years of fighting and occupation of Afghanistan.

Arbitration divides county, deputies in CBA talks

DAVE ROGERS
For The Record

A second open meeting to hammer out a new work contract between Orange County's leaders and their sheriff's deputies is expected soon.

Dustin Bock, president of the Orange County Sheriff's Office Employee Association which represents about 85 of the county's 120 deputies, said the lawmen were waiting to hear back from the county and settle on a meeting date and time.

The first open meeting between the Orange County Sheriff's Office Employee Association and the county took place Wednesday, Sept. 22.

It was clear from the start that the temperature of the rhetoric that boiled over in the press when the deputies' grievances were made public in early September was just a simmer.

The association's leadership and the Orange County Commissioners didn't appear far from a settlement.

The largest sticking point



Orange County Commissioners go over proposed changes in the collective bargaining agreement with members of the Orange County Sheriff's Office Employees Association and the deputies' legal representatives.

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to be resolved centers upon the ability of deputies to appeal any discipline imposed by Sheriff Lane Mooney or his staff.

Under the 2009 collective bargaining agreement still in place, any disciplinary action routinely went to arbitration and an arbitrator's

decision is final. County Judge John Gothia and the four commissioners

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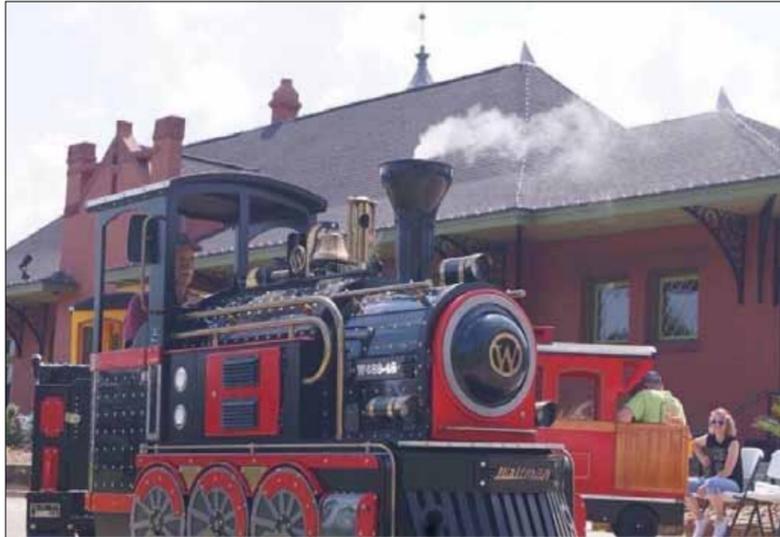
Depot Day returns this Saturday

PENNY LELEUX
For The Record

After being sidelined for a year and a half, first by the pandemic, then weather, the Depot Day midway will open for family fun Saturday at the Orange Train Depot Museum, 1210 Green Avenue in Orange.

"Depot Day is an annual fundraiser for the Friends of the Orange Depot to help sustain this important building for the citizens of Orange and surrounding area," said Friends of the Orange Depot founder, Carrie Woliver. "This year, after two rain-outs, Depot Day will be held this Saturday, Oct. 2 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m."

The community is invited and entry is free. Due to a generous donation by DOW, during their 75th Anniversary celebration even the train rides and attractions are free. Attractions include a kiddie train, bouncy house, petting



The Depot Day midway will open for family fun Saturday at the Orange Train Depot Museum, 1210 Green Avenue in Orange.

zoo, balloon artist and pony rides. Musical entertainment will be provided by the Orange Community Players

and dancing by the Orange Blossom line dancers. "We expect hundreds of area families to come and

enjoy the festivities, rides, entertainment, vendors, and

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BC student crowned 'Miss Petite Mexican Heritage'



Jennika LaNee' Triana, 8, of Bridge City was crowned Miss Petite Mexican Heritage, proudly representing Mexico. A Bridge City Elementary student, Miss Triana said her favorite teachers are Mrs. Malagarie and Mrs. Harvey. The 8-year old has a passion for modeling and her favorite color is purple.

Texas Governor Series: John Connally

CARL PARKER
For The Record

Connally stayed in office through two, two-year terms and was the first governor to serve a four-year term.

Connally's second run for governor was again opposed by Yarborough. I had supported Yarborough in his initial race but the more I listened to some of his ideas, it became apparent to me that Yarborough was long on oratory, but short on knowledge of government. Yarborough was at a disadvantage financially. Connally had millions with which to support his gubernatorial campaign while Yarborough would raise his at-large gatherings of supporters, appealing to his money followers much the way a tent evangelist would appeal to his flock for contributions. The second was not nearly as close as the



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first, Connally winning by a very comfortable margin.

During his second term, and my second term, I became closer to not only Con-

nally but to the speaker of the House, Ben Barnes, who became speaker after Connally appointed Speaker Tunnell to the Railroad Commission. Barnes was in his 20s and was touted as the wonder boy of politics having been elected to such a powerful office well before he was 30 years old. During that second term I was successful in several requests of Connally, including one in which I led a delegation to convince Connally to cure a gross injustice in the Texas Department of Public Safety. At the time, there was not a single Black highway patrolman in uniform for the Texas Highway Patrol. Connally, listened to our recommendation and within 30 days thereafter saw that two men of color were appointed to our Department of Public Safety.

The change of speakership

was also beneficial to me; unlike Tunnell, I received fair treatment in committee assignments and consideration of various bills that I had introduced. My relationship with Barnes continued on after Barnes was elected lieutenant governor. The most notable benefit from my closer relationship with Barnes occurred when the bill that I sponsored to create Lamar State College-Orange was stuck in the Senate. Barnes intervened with key members of the Senate, thereby allowing us to pass, and create Lamar-Port Arthur and Lamar-Orange.

Connally went on to serve but later shed his Democratic leanings joining the Nixon Administration. U.S. Senator Ralph Yarborough likened Connally's defection of joining the Republican president to a rat swimming to a sinking ship.

Pumpkins return to FBC Bridge City



The Pumpkins have arrived to First Baptist Church of Bridge City this week. The 18-wheeler was loaded full of pumpkins and many church members and friends showed up to unload. The BCHS Football Team showed up with Athletic Director, Cody McGuire, to help with the unloading. Pumpkin sales began Monday, Sept. 27. The profits will go to fund mission projects.

The 11th Annual Scarecrow Festival returns on October 12th at Shangri La Gardens

Staff Report
For The Record

The Annual Scarecrow Festival is back. This year's festival takes place October 12 through November 6, 2021, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friends from all over will be able to enjoy dozens of unique scarecrow contest exhibits, fall flowering displays, thousands of pumpkins, and autumn decorations displayed throughout Shangri La Gardens. FREE TIMED TICKETS for this event will be available on our website on Friday, October 1, and are recommended to ensure entry into the gardens

as capacity is limited.

Interested in creating your own scarecrow? Each year, talented people from throughout the community and surrounding region create amazing scarecrows made from recycled materials to showcase throughout the gardens. Whether submitted individually, by family, or by groups representing businesses, schools, organizations, or churches, all scarecrow designs are always innovative, inspiring, and environmentally friendly. As always, participation is FREE! Online registration for the scarecrow contest is available on the Shangri La



Gardens' website.

This year, voting will be open to not only visitors but to those of you at home! All votes will be cast electronically on our website and win-

ners will be announced during Autumn Fair on November 6 at 2 p.m. on Facebook Live! Names of winners, as well as images from the contest, will also be posted on the Shangri La Gardens' website.

Don't forget that Autumn Fair is the last day of the Scarecrow Festival, Saturday, November 6! This day of autumn harvest fun will feature family-friendly activities sure to get you in the mood for fall. FREE TIMED TICKETS will be REQUIRED for entry into the gardens for this event.

Visit www.ShangriLaGardens.org to reserve tickets.

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CBA talks

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are adamantly opposed to arbitration, Gothia saying, "We've had some pretty bad experience with arbitrators."

The county wants a district judge to decide, one whose decision can be appealed to a higher court.

"Arbitrators are not bound by the law," Assistant County Attorney Denise Gremillion said to attorney Craig Deats, who represents the deputies.

"This county has a relatively small discretionary budget and every case impacts everybody else's raise for the next five years."

Former Sheriff Keith Merritt refused to negotiate with the deputies because he wanted final say on hiring, firing and disciplining his deputies and the deputies weren't giving in.

A quick takeaway from the meeting would borrow from a 50-year-old line from the movie "Cool Hand Luke": it appeared what they

had – at least prior to Sept. 22 – was a failure to communicate.

Most of the three-and-a-half-hour meeting was dedicated to Deats of the Combined Law Enforcement Associations of Texas (CLEAT) going point by point with Gothia over what Deats thought was the latest version of a new contract offered by the county.

But Deats, who boasted of how many similar negotiations he had handled and another one in Jefferson County beginning the next day, was clearly unfamiliar with the latest updates agreed to by the county and the deputies.

It was clear he was either reading from an old version or had not been brought up to speed on agreed-upon but unwritten changes by the deputies.

County Judge John Gothia has been the county's lead negotiator and has remarked several times about frequent changes in leadership among the deputies' association in the months of informal negotiations.

A 14-year OCSO deputy, Bock is the third president the association has had in the past few months, succeeding Darrell Cowart and Robert Cowart, who are not related. He said he and Mooney had been friends for several years.

"About a month and a half ago, the Sheriff and I talked and I told him I had it in my mind to get involved in the [association]," Bock said. "He said, 'It'll be great.'"

Bock was elected vice president to replace Robert Cowart, who was promoted to president. Within a couple of weeks, Bock was the president.

He said he suggested the deputies end their decade-long membership with TMPA and sign up with CLEAT instead.

BC Cards study elders' title trek

DAVER ROGERS
For The Record

New Bridge City Football Coach Cody McGuire didn't waste much time waking up the echoes in his football program.

In fact, he's waking up the heroes of the Cardinals' Glory Days and having them visit with current BC football players at 7:30 a.m. on Mondays.

"It's just important to get the young guys with the guys who've been there and won state," McGuire, Bridge City's first-year coach, said. "For kids who have heard about that state championship team all their lives, it's good for them to meet those guys and know they care about them."

The visitors are members of the school's Class 3A state football championship team in 1966. And 7:30 in the morning is hardly early for McGuire's players.

They have replaced their after-school practices with before-school practices, hitting the practice fields at 5:30 Monday through Wednesdays.

Among the 1966 players speaking to the 2021 players so far have been Charles Miller, Jerry Jaynes, Darrell Segura and longtime Bridge City coach and administrator Troy Woodall, who was an assistant to Coach Chief Wilson.

The 1966 Redbirds, state runnersup in 1965 when



80-year-old Troy Woodall, an assistant coach for Bridge City's 1966 state championship football team, speaks to the members of the current Cardinals squad after their Monday morning practice, Sept. 27.

they fell to Brownwood in the championship game, defeated McKinney for all the marbles in a 13-1 1966 campaign.

They were led by running back Steve Worster, a three-time all-stater and three-time All-Southwest Conference pick who led the University of Texas to two national championships.

Jaynes, the fullback who led the blocking for Worster at Bridge City, was the team's second-best player, said Segura, who was a second-team running back.

The U.S. Military Academy at West Point is where Jaynes played college football.

"The players, they like it," McGuire said. "These are

older gentlemen who won it and went on to do great things in their lives.

"And they're from Bridge City. This shows our players what they can accomplish, that football is not the end all, be all, but a tool that can help you do great things in life."

McGuire, a West Texan from Crane, was an All-Big 12 lineman at Texas Tech and spent the 2019 and 2020 seasons as an assistant coach at Austin Westlake.

Westlake teams went 42-3 in 19-20, winning back to back Class 6A Division I titles.

He recalls that as the team prepared to kick off the 2019 championship game, the players received an alumni

message, from New Orleans Saints quarterback Drew Brees.

Westlake's coach Todd Dodge, a Port Arthur Thomas Jefferson grad who has coached six state championship squads, has announced he's retiring after this season.

After Bridge City's football team won only one game in a 2020 season ripped by hurricanes and COVID-19 restrictions, McGuire's Cardinals are off to a 2-2 start heading into Friday's District 11-4A-II opener at Hamshire-Fannett.

"The kids are continuing to work, do their best," the coach said.

Depot Day

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food," Said Woliver. "Funds raised through sponsorships and donations will help us continue to maintain and preserve the Depot for the community. Our plans are to continue to add to our museum to show what an integral part the Southern Pacific Depot played in the history of Orange."

A brand-new addition to the depot is the G gauge Southern Pacific model railroad, which runs around a specially made track on the reception room wall, above the windows. The model train has been an exhibit in the planning stages from the beginning of the museum project. Volunteers George Bohn and Benny Rhodes, lo-

cal model railroaders, oversaw acquiring the train and getting the track, which was donated, mounted. They have also been responsible for acquiring temporary model railroad exhibits for depot events throughout the years.

Originally, when the Orange Train Depot was purchased for restoration by the Friends of the Orange Depot, the plan was to restore the building and use it as a museum for the railroad and other industries native to Orange. What was unforeseen was the popularity the train depot would instantly receive as an event venue. In fact, the first budget with estimated income rental for

the year was only \$1,000. The moment rental opportunities became available, the train depot became a hot commodity in the community. The museum committee had to alter plans for the way exhibits would be displayed to not disrupt the vital revenue stream yet hold true to the initial vision.

Tours will be conducted inside the depot by Carrie Woliver and Carol Sims from noon – 2 p.m.

"Families can learn about how we restored the building, what exhibits we have, and enjoy the newly constructed SP model train which is running around the walls in the reception room," said Woliver. "In the large

room, a number of Orange vendors will be displaying their wares."

Food vendors will offer hamburgers, Cajun food, ice cream, and assorted beverages.

"In celebration of the 75th anniversary of DOW, all the expenses of Depot Day were underwritten. Many thanks to all of our sponsors this year," said Woliver.

Other supporting sponsors for the event include: First Financial Bank, Capital Title, Claybar Funeral Home, CRC Family Charitable Foundation, JackBuilt, Ironsides, and donors Carol and Robert Sims.

"Currently, masks are encouraged for the unvaccinated inside the depot," said Woliver. "During Depot Day, masks are not required out-

doors."

Parking will be available on the side streets as well as on the lot by Elm and 10th Street. Information can be obtained by calling Co-chairman Rose Simar at 409-330-1576. Visit the website www.orangetxdepot.org. Rental information can also be found on the website.

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From The Creaux's Nest

GOP STARTS GERRYMANDERING PROCESS

What the Texas Republicans proposed congressional maps shows is Republican leaders are scared as hell of suburban voters and they well should be. White voters in the suburbs, especially women, are breaking away from the "R" brand and White guys are still smoldering over the electric grid and lack of leadership during the ice storm. No doubt the suburbs are turning bluer and the surging population in Texas has added two congressional seats to 38 and 40 electoral votes. The Republican proposed map is the height of gerrymandering. Old timers called it "Nut Cutting Time." In Dist. 38 alone, to favor Republicans, they stitched a district together by cutting little slices from four existing districts. The two new Texas districts under the map, will not go where the population has gone. In most cases, Republicans focused on protecting the seats they already control. The redistricting proposal has a long way to go to become law. They have just started a special redistricting committee to work on changes and then hold hearing, also state maps must be approved. Lawsuits are a certainty because of how Hispanic voters are treated. By the way, our own congressman Brian Babin, who has COVID, is headed to Washington, not in quarantine. Two Texas Republican congressmen, Babin and Randy Weber, who both voted not to impeach President Donald Trump twice and then criticized the impeachment after Trump provoked a mob to attack his own government with a riot at the U.S. Capitol Jan. 6, have joined a resolution by Rep. Bob Gibbs calling for President Joe Biden's impeachment. Babin said, "he has failed miserably at his duties as commander-in-chief and violated his oath of office to defend the U.S. Constitution." This so called impeachment is purely about political posturing and grabbing a headline. Weber said in 2019, when Trump was impeached, "Impeachment is an extreme process reserved for actual crimes, using it as a political publicity stunt only undermines our democracy." Randy, if it was right then, surely its still right today. The only difference is Trump was guilty. I have to move on. I'll be watching the gerrymandering coming down the pike. There is a good chance Orange County district lines will be moving in either state representative, senate or congressional districts. Come along, I promise it won't do you no harm.

CONDOLENCES

We were sorry to learn from Judge Pat Clark on Monday that his lifetime friend, Sam Frank Lucia, 76 years old passed away Sunday, September 26th. Lucia had been former Superintendent at Bridge City ISD, prior to that was Assistant Superintendent at West Orange ISD and had served as Construction Coordinator Region 5 Education Service Center. At press time there was no available info on funeral arrangements.

ABBOTT FACES HEADWINDS IN MAJOR RACE

Why is Texas Gov. Greg Abbott hooked onto Donald Trump's wagon and bowing to all of the twice impeached president's demands? The answer is quite simple. Abbott needs the Trumper vote in the Republican primary. He has two strong challengers in Don Huffines and Allen West. Since they have announced Abbott took a far turn to the Right by signing a bill to ban abortions after six weeks, no exceptions for rape or incest victims. Abbott pushed through new voter restrictions that will restrict minority and elderly vote to coincide with Trump's baseless claims that the 2020 election was stolen. In the last few days Trump has ordered that Abbott audit and recount the votes in four Texas counties, despite Trump winning the state by six percent. Again it is a move to suppress the vote, create voter fear and waste taxpayer money. Abbott also has banned mask mandates to help fight the COVID-19 pandemic that has claimed the lives of more than 62,000 Texans. All of this will play well with primary voters but it has eroded his once strong support from Independents that has dropped from 54 percent to 30 percent. His primary challengers will hit hard on the fact that Abbott doesn't want to be re-elected to serve Texas citizens; he wants it as a base to seek the 2024 presidential nomination. They will insist Abbott will be out of the state, flying around the country on tax payer money. Trump's extremist following, the cult base of the Republican Party, figures to be about 30 percent nationwide. Abbott and Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis will benefit from that support in the Republican primary but that will not be enough to elect them in a general election. Those two, plus Ted Cruz, are bidding for Trump's endorsement in 2024. It's a sure bet Trump won't run and will throw all but one under the bus. Abbott will probably win the Texas primary but will end up scorched and branded. He could end up facing two challengers in the general election. In Texas there is no general election run off, winner takes it all. It's very possible that he will face Beto O'Rourke, a democrat or Matthew McConaughy, who is very popular in Texas but doesn't belong to any party and would run as an independent. That would make for a three way race. The latest polling shows heads up with Abbott, Matt would win by 9 percent, 44 to 35. On the other hand, Matt

in the race helps Beto by taking votes away from Abbott, plus Democrats have plenty of reasons to go to the polls, the best is that Abbott is trying to make voting more difficult for them, plus women are mad about the abortion issue. Look for a record turnout and also after the primary vote watch for Abbott to move to the center, away from Trump's insane far right. If he doesn't, he can't win. What boggles the mind of many voters is why men, smart government-wise, would be listening to someone like Donald Trump, who even after four years in office has very little knowledge about how government is suppose to work. Trump is the only United States president in history to lead an insurgence mob on the Capital against his own government in an attempt to overturn an election he lost. Also he may be proven a criminal before the 2024 election. For now he will milk the cash cow for as long as he can. He gets to keep all the money he can raise for his own use but once he says he is running or not, the cow quits producing. It's reported he's taking in \$39 million a month that he can use to prop up his failing businesses. I bet the farm he ain't running but probably won't say so until March, 2022. In Texas we will be witness to the damn race in my lifetime and I've seen some barn burners.

TURNING BACK THE HANDS OF TIME 10 Years Ago-2021

The Houston Chronicle reported that the Houston area alone will have 66 million trees die. That probably adds up to a billion trees statewide. We are losing less than most of the state, but every day I see new evidence of trees dying. Yesterday, I saw a 100-year-old sweet gum that has given up. That's not all; Texas farmers are losing crops all over the state. Without any water crop losses will be in the billions. Don't let what appears to be great weather fool you. Also, it looks like we are in for a long haul of dry weather through winter and into spring. Editor's note: What a difference 10 years makes.) The Heritage Festival, held in Bridge City, had a great turnout thanks to a lot of work by some very dedicated folks, determined to make it a success. Plans are underway to make the festival an annual affair. Proceeds will go to the building of the Heritage Park and Museum at the foot of the historical swing bridge. The Bridge City Chamber of Commerce will put on a fun event and fund raiser. A celebrity roast will cook Giesla Houseman at the hands of some friends who vow to tell all. Bridge City's Matt Bryant, who brings home the bacon when he trots out to attempt a field goal for the Atlanta Falcons, has a perfect day Sunday in the Falcons 30-28 win over West Orange-Stark's star Earl Thomas and the Sea Hawks. Matt hit a 50-yarder on his way to three field goals and three extra points for the day. Last week, a Chinese food delivery guy, after making the delivery, helped himself to Matt's golf clubs. The thief traded the expensive clubs on line for Ecstasy pills. Most of the clubs were recovered but an expensive Scotty Cameron putter is still missing. Our buddy Nancy Vincent recently lost her sister Joyce to lung cancer. She says, "If you are still smoking, please seriously consider quitting." Her sister lasted only 74 days after being diagnosed.

24 Years Ago-1997

Bailey's Fish Camp destroyed. "Bailey's," the 71 years old, two-story structure, built in 1926 and an historical landmark on Lake Street, in Bridge City, burned to the ground at 4:08 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 5. By 5:50 a.m. it was all over. The history of the old ferry landing is well known. It was home to the family of Mary and Henry Bailey and was opened in 1926 as a restaurant on the first floor and a dance hall on the second floor. Several generations of the family were raised there. The last occupant of the building was Fred Bailey. Many people stopped by to visit Fred, who always had something cooking on the stove. He made a mean gumbo with any kind of meat or seafood available and often folks had no idea what was in it. Rainbow Bridge Reopening: The Bridge City and Port Arthur Chambers of Commerce are hosting a rededication ceremony Wednesday, Oct. 8, for the reopening of the Rainbow Bridge. The refurbished bridge will handle southbound traffic. The bridge now has wider travel lanes. For many years it had handled only two-way traffic on the narrow bridge. In Other News: In his spare time Dan Cochran, who served as mayor of Orange from 1992 to 1996, is in his workshop where he pursues his hobby of hand carving duck decoys. His ducks are designed as working decoys, not art. The Bridge City High School 1997 Homecoming Court members are freshmen Amy Broussard and Andrea Hebert, sophomores Danielle Bourque and Kelly Kyler, junior class Kristi Wood and Geni Kimbro and representing the senior class are Courtney Huckabay and Amber Wiegard. Amber Fontenot is named Miss Congeniality at the Miss Bridge City pageant. She is the daughter of Billy and Liz Fontenot. She is a third year Bridge City Strutter. She also is a 14-year student of Phyllis' Dance Studio and will participate in the annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York. (Editor's note: I often wonder how life turned out for some of those youngsters and where life has taken them.) Last week Judge Carl Thibodeaux, Capt. David Peck, Constable P.T. Thompson and Todd Lindsey were spotted at Gary's Coffee Shop while on the night watch. Pretty Christy Peebles was named Miss Bridge City. She is the daughter of Darlene and Mike Peebles. (Editor's note: What became of pretty Darlene and wild Mike, owners of "Yellow Rose Barbecue" anyway? Their son, Matt, was a Bridge City football star who played for New Mexico. The lovely Little Cypress-Mauriceville homecoming queen is Kristen Fall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lanston Fall. Homecoming queen for West Orange-Stark is April Enard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Enard. Victor serves on the school board and is a former Mustang and college star football player. The 1997-1998 Orangefield cheerleaders are Lacy Longron, Mindy Granger, Ashley Boehme, Dena Green, Katie Hanegan, Karen Holbrook, Ashley Windham and Suze Belt. Mascots are Jessica Terry and Nicole Hebert. First Realty agents are T.F. "Sleepy" Smith, Lou Givens, Joyce Kleinknecht, Betty Derrick, Teri Wallace, Richard Herrington and Liz Hanley.

50 Years Ago-1971

Grand opening of the Whang Doodle, 3020 MacArthur Dr., was held Sept. 28. (Editor's note: You are getting up in age if you remember that eating place and all the Doodle sandwiches.) Judge James Neff, 128th District Judge, is named Citizen of the Year by OVN News. A native of Jackson, Tennessee, he moved to Orange as a youngster.

He attended New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell, University of the South, in Service, Tenn. And graduated in 1928 from Cumberland Law School at Lebanon, Tenn. the same year he opened his law office. In 1936 he was hired as Texas' first assistant attorney general under Willard McCran. He then served as assistant Orange County attorney and city attorney for the city of Orange. In 1961, Gov. Price Daniels appointed Neff judge of 128th district court. He ran unopposed until he retired Dec. 1972. Pete Runnels writes in his sports column, Strike two, third down, that Buddy Gillis is Bridge City defensive coach. Also the next super star could be Butch Campbell, only a sophomore at West Orange. Pound for pound, 135 pound Bridge City defensive back, Brad Roy, is probably one of the best in the state. The Bridge City Cards upset the LaGrange Gators 21-14 here at home.

A FEW HAPPENINGS

I called my friend Van Choate but I got pretty Josette instead. She and Van have been on a short vacation in Gatlinburg, Tenn. Josette said the leaves were just starting to turn. I'm glad they got to get away. Mark just returned from a couple weeks spending time with daughter Jenna and her family. He attended Kerrie's memorial service where he also saw daughter Amber and family. Jenna lives on a 73 acre farm located where Vermont, New Hampshire and Massachusetts meet. He says it is beautiful country and the foliage is just beginning to change colors. I was sorry to learn that Bobby Manshack, 65, passed away September 23. Service was held Monday, September 27. He was such a nice guy. Condolences to his family. We were also sorry to hear of the death of Judge Leonard Giblin, Jr., a retired district judge. He died of COVID at the age of 80. I had met him only twice at parties but he was the kind of person you don't forget. Sept. 29: Celebrating is Kayla Nichols and Landon Luna. Today would have been Bum Phillips 98th birthday. Sept. 30: Happy Birthday to some great guys. Richard Albair, Robert Dale Vance, Howard Fisher and Rob Stause. Also celebrating on this day is a little beauty, Mark's youngest granddaughter, Willow Grace Ballou turns 7-years-old today. Oct. 1: Happy Birthday to Aaron Iles, Kimberly Cooper, Skylar Rowley, Brandon Gerrald and Gerald Brignac. Oct. 2: Happy Birthday to Glenn and Jason Ray, also to Collin Stanley and Jo Bramhan. Oct. 3: Celebrating on this day are Dona Vincent, Logan Bonds, Bobby Romero and one of Skipper's boys, Eddie Free, and also one of Darlene and Johnny's boys, Jason Montagne. Oct. 4: Celebrating today are Makayla Warren, Lori Ess, Jami Anderson, Dakota Rowley, Ryan Dubose, Bobbie Burgess and Jason Menard. Oct. 5: Jared Dillon turns 31 today. Happy Birthday also to Tyler Miller, Brad Lanthier and Elida Dillon. We were glad that Peggy's Place, on Cow Bayou, finally re-opened after storms and the bridge rebuild for four years, kept them closed. We ordered the large seafood platter. Very good, with plenty of shrimp, fish, crab patties, etc. Well worth the money. Yesterday we picked up hamburgers. No one makes a better burger than Peggy. They are only opened from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. until they get more help. This weekend I'm ordering a bucket of her famous seafood gumbo. Give them a try, you'll love the quality of the food.

CAJUN STORY OF THE WEEK

Wen Sostan walk into Tee-Boy's Bar & Grill he saw Tee-Boy behind da bar. Sostan say to him, "Tee-Boy, pour me a stiff one, I jus had anotter fight wit Sugar Bee." "Oh yeah, say Tee-Boy, and how did dis one end?" Sostan say, "Wen it was over wit' da little wife came to me on her hands and knees." "Really, said Tee-Boy, now dats a switch." "Wat did she say her?" She said, "Come out from under dat bed you little no good, Cajun, coward."

C'EST TOUT

LT. GOV. BARNES IN TOWN TO HONOR FRIEND

In Senator Carl Parker's column this week he mentions how Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes helped him get the Lamar Orange/Lamar Port Arthur bill passed. Ben, an up and rising star, was well connected to Orange County. G.L. "Red" Garrett was Ben's Orange County campaign manager. The two had become friends through the state Jaycees. Red's wife, Pat, Beth Rach's mom, was state director for the Jaycettes. Red and Pat's connections state-wide was a big help to Barnes' campaign for lieutenant governor. On March 24, 1971, Ben came to Orange as guest speaker for the Greater Orange Area Jaycees annual distinguished service awards banquet. Barnes, 32, the youngest man in the state's history to serve as Lieutenant Governor and also was the first candidate in Texas to receive 2,000,000 votes in a state election, was in Orange to honor his friend Red Garrett on receiving the distinguished service award. At the age of 35, when all good Jaycees are turned out to pasture to become auxiliary members, Red, on this night at the Jack Tar, received his retired rooster award. Red, with his heart heavy, eyes filled with tears, got a big hug from his friend the Lt. Governor of Texas. Barnes had praised Garrett in his remarks. For seven years Red served as chairman of the annual Jaycee rodeo. Barnes gave credit to Red and Pat for their help in his election, not only in Orange County but statewide. My wife and I had accompanied the Garrett's to Austin for a meeting at the capital with Barnes and his statewide campaign managers. He and I hit it off right away. He is from Comanche and all my people are buried just down the road at Rising Star in the same county. At least when Parker went to the Lt. Governor for help on his Lamar bill, Ben knew quite well where Orange was. Thanks to Sen. Parker for his weekly historical column, it gives us a chance to reflect on those times. Mosquitos be gone, let Pestco spray your lawn", give them a call at 409-886-4248. Read us from cover to cover and check out all the great ads. Take care and God bless.



Deaths & Memorials

April Angela Henderson, 47, of Orange

April Angela Henderson, 47, of Orange, passed away on September 22, 2021, in Port Arthur.

A memorial service for April was held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, September 27, 2021 at Claybar Funeral Home in Orange.

Visitation was held prior to the memorial service at Claybar Funeral Home in Orange.

Born in Fort Knox, Kentucky, on June 14, 1974, she was the daughter of Gilton Lamar Brown and Cathy Ann (Griffies) Brown. April had a huge heart, a kind-hearted spirit and often volunteered her time to help anyone who was in need. She spent her lifetime filling everyone's cup and making sure they felt loved and cherished. She was a loving wife and an amazing mother and continuously put her family first. April was a social butterfly, loving the company of others and making friends with everyone she met. She earned a Masters in Sociology and went on to be the head of the Sociology Department at Lamar State College in Orange, forming many valuable and special relationships with her coworkers and students. April was the best at delegating and giving direc-



April Henderson

tions, and was the best party hostess around. She loved traveling and took numerous trips around the world to study abroad. April left an impact on all those she met and will be deeply missed by all those who came to know and love her.

She was preceded in death by her father, Gilton Brown; brother, Jesse Brown; sister, Rachel Brown; grandparents, Mary Alice and Peewee Brown and Joe Griffies; and aunt, Becky Brown.

Those left to cherish her memory are her loving husband of 22 years, Raymond Henderson; mother, Cathy Brown; grandmother, Nellie Griffies; children, Trea Henderson and wife Tabitha of Texas City, Kirstin Henderson of Orange, Payton Brown of Orange, Jaelynn Brown of Orange and Rachel Henderson of Orange; grandchildren, Kai Nguyen, Parker Moses and Nolan Henderson; brother, Travis Brown; aunt, Rhonda Brown; niece and nephews, Cameron Brown, Kayla Bertrand, Caleb Brown, Cade Brown and Karlie Brown; along with numerous other loving family, friends and colleagues.

Donna Sue Self Mitchell, 69, Orange

Donna Sue Self Mitchell, 69, passed from this life to her heavenly home on Saturday, September 25, 2021 at St. Elizabeth Hospital.

Donna was born July 21, 1952 in Orange, Texas where she resided her entire life.

Her parents were Louise (Doughty) Self and Hebert Q. Self. Donna graduated from Little Cypress in 1970. She was a licensed medical technologist who worked at Orange Memorial Hospital.

Donna married the love of her life, Carey Mitchell, on May 25, 1984. They were married for 37 years at the time of her death.

Donna had a passion for flowers. She loved selecting the right one and enjoyed watching them grow. Carey and Donna immersed themselves in helping others as members of Mauriceville FUMC. They had recently joined First Church of Nazarene in Orange and eagerly anticipated their new friendships but COVID and Donna's failing health limited their involvement.

Donna is predeceased by her parents, He-



Donna Mitchell

bert and Louise Self and infant sister, Nelda Faye Self. Survivors include: Carey Mitchell (her spouse), daughters, Christina Gengo and husband Damon and Erika Mitchell, grandchildren, Kendall Judice and Pamela Harrell, and great-grandchildren, Emma and Yggi. She is also survived by her mother-in-law, Helen DeRoche and husband Al.

Also surviving are brother, Gary Self and wife Cathy, nephew, Jonathan Self, niece, Emily Bradley and husband Aaron, and one great-nephew, Harrison Brown Bradley.

Services will be at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, September 30, 2021, at First Church of Nazarene in Orange with Pastor Brad McKenzie officiating. Burial will follow at Orange Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Visitation will begin prior to services at 10:00 a.m., at First Church of Nazarene in Orange.

Serving as pallbearers will be Mike Latta, Gordon Latta, James Van Pelt, Damon Gengo, Bill Young and Jonathan Self.

John K. Smith, 65, Bridge City

John Smith, 65, of Bridge City, passed away on September 23, 2021, in Beaumont.

Visitation will be from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., Saturday, October 2, 2021 at Claybar Funeral Home in Bridge City.

Funeral services will be at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, October 2, 2021, at Claybar Funeral Home in Bridge City. Officiating will be Darrell Segura.

Born in Orange, Texas, on March 10, 1956, he was the son of J.W. Smith and Lois Louise (Johnson) Smith. John was a loving and kind husband, son, brother, and uncle. He was a member of IBEW Local 479 in Beaumont for 25 years. John loved to fly radio-controlled airplanes, being a long time member of the Orange County Radio Control Club. He also enjoyed fishing, hunting, traveling, and metal detecting in his spare time. John will be missed dearly by those who knew and loved



John K. Smith

him. He was preceded in death by his parents, J.W. and Louise Smith; sister, Winona Hamm; niece, Casey Lewis; and father-in-law, Robert Andrews.

He is survived by his loving wife of 40 years, Donna Smith; sister, Pam Jordan and husband Kirk of Cabot, Arkansas; 9 nephews; 1 niece; 4 great nephews; 3 great nieces; and 1 great-great niece.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22718, Oklahoma City, OK 73123. On the memo line note the memorial is designated for Pancreatic Cancer Research.

On a separate piece of paper include your name and address, and note Donna Smith for John K. Smith. You may include a special message if desired. Also include Donna's acknowledgements address; Donna Smith, 504 N. 5th St. Orange, TX 77630.

Patricia Ladell "Pat" Hendry Lancaster, 73

Patricia Ladell "Pat" Hendry Lancaster, 73, of Spring, Texas was peacefully called home by our Heavenly Father on September 23, 2021 surrounded by family.

Ms. Lancaster made her grand debut into this world on November 26, 1947 in Crockett, Texas. Although she lived in many places (including Europe), Pat always felt Bridge City was her home.

Pat proudly graduated in 1965 from Waynesville High School in Waynesville, MO. After many successful years of service, Pat retired from Texas Employment Commission in Austin, Texas as a State Training Manager and was at one time a respected staff member of the Governor of Texas.

Pat truly loved being an active volunteer in her communities, was once the President of the Bridge City Chamber of Commerce, and was an active member of the Business and Professional Women's club in Orange, Texas amongst several other community services.

Pat was known as "Grammy" by her grandsons and "Aunt Patsy" by her many nieces and nephews. Everyone that knew Pat can all agree that she was known for her kindness, generosity, and sense of fashionable style. Pat's loving embrace leaves behind the following survivors; her daughter Natalie (Harris) Barnes and husband Layne of Spring, Texas; her son Devin Harris and wife Rachel of Liberty Hill, Texas; sisters Linda (Hendry) VenRooy and husband Gary of Loves Park,



Patricia Lancaster

III; Arnita Kay (Jones) Foster and husband Marvin of Virginia Beach, VA; Clara Dawson of Clarence, MO; her grandsons Kacy Broussard, Auston Barnes, Blake Barnes and Oryin Harris. In addition, she leaves behind several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and many other family and friends. She adored you all.

Pat is now eternally surrounded in love by her father David Hendry, mother Clennie Kelley Jones, step-mother Geraldine Hendry, sister Frances Hurlburt, brother Wallace Lee Jones and her soul mate Mansel Lancaster.

A funeral service in Pat's honor will be held at Claybar Funeral Home in Bridge City at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 5, 2021. Burial will immediately follow at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens located at 4560 Highway 87 South, Orange, Texas under the direction of Claybar Funeral Home. Visitation will be Monday, October 4, 2021, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Claybar Funeral Home with visitation continuing on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. until time of the service.

Pallbearers are Kacy Broussard, Auston Barnes, Blake Barnes, Devin Harris and Layne Barnes. Honorary Pallbearer is Oryin Harris.

The family would also like to give our sincerest heartfelt gratitude to the entire staff at Autumn Leaves of Cypresswood for their extraordinary care of "Miss Pat".

Boy dies from brain-eating amoeba found at Texas splash pad

ARLINGTON, Texas — A child has died after being infected with a rare brain-eating amoeba that was found at a Texas splash pad he had visited, and a review discovered lapses in water-quality testing at several parks, officials told the Associated Press on Monday.

Officials in Arlington, located between Dallas and Fort Worth, said the city and Tarrant County Public Health were notified on Sept. 5 that a child had been hospitalized with primary amoebic meningoencephalitis, a rare and often fatal infection caused by the naegleria fowleri amoeba. According to AP the boy, who was not identified by officials, died at the hospital on Sept. 11.

After learning of the child's illness, health officials began investigating and closed all of the city's public splash pads. City officials said the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention confirmed the presence of the amoeba in water samples from the Don Misenhimer Park splash pad on Friday.

A review "identified gaps in our daily inspection program," Deputy City Manager Lemuel Randolph said. "Those gaps resulted in us not meeting our maintenance standards at our splash pads."

City officials told AP records from two of the four splash pads — at Don Misenhimer Park and the Beacon Recreation Center — show Parks and Recreation employees didn't consistently record, or in some cases did not conduct, the water quality testing that's required prior to the facilities opening each day.

City officials say a review of inspection logs at the Don Misenhimer splash pad found water chlorination readings weren't documented on two of the three dates that the child was there in late August and early September.

City officials say Arlington's drinking water supply was not affected, and that the splash pad is equipped with a backflow prevention device designed to isolate its water from the city's water distribution system.

The CDC says Naegleria fowleri infections are rare, with just 34 reported in the U.S. from 2010 to 2019. People are infected when water containing the amoeba enters the body through the nose, usually when people go swimming or diving in lakes and rivers.

First Saturday At First Baptist Bridge City

First Saturday at First Baptist will be giving away used coats, jackets, sweaters and more for all family members on Saturday, October 2 at the church parking lot located at 200 West Roundbunch in Bridge City. Also, helpful tracts about difficult family and spiritual issues as well as prayer for anyone who requests it. Look for the blue canopy and balloons from 10 am to 1 pm.

VFW AUX 2775 Fall Craft Fair Registration

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The cost per table is \$15.00. If you are setting up with clothes racks or tent frames the space and table will be \$20.00. Parking lot spaces can be made available cost depends on amount of space needed. The vendors will be able to set up on Friday October 8 from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm. Early registration guarantees you a spot. Please return the bottom portion of the page to:

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God Has A Special Place In His Heart For Children



Pastor Charles Empey

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For The Record

Matthew 19:13-15 "Then were there brought unto him (Jesus) little children, that he should put his hands on them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them.14 But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.15 And he laid his hands on them..."

Part of the reason my wife and I married was to have children and bring them to Jesus. We had already been born again in Christ and desired to be given of the Lord children to bring to Him that

they too would come to know Him as their Lord and Savior and would have their eternal home in heaven. We had two girls. So, we took them to church as soon as possible and began to introduce them to Jesus. Oh, they were just little babies, but we wanted them to begin to be sensitive to church surroundings and the sounds of church...God honoring music and God glorifying preaching. They grew up hearing the gospel and the great hymns and songs that go with it. They even grew to sing before the congregation in special music. The youngest learned to play the piano very well, also. They married Christians and have introduced my grandchildren to Jesus. It's going to be a great reunion for us in heaven. Heaven! I say!

Oh, it would be important to note that they were not perfect anymore than any other kids are. But they had Jesus to guide them away from sin through their lives and have grown in grace and knowledge, becoming better Christians as they got older and get older.

We saw to it that nothing

would ever take precedence over being in church. Again, always keeping the introduction to Jesus going and then when they had received Him as their Lord and Savior, we kept them where He could instruct them of righteousness (right living) as He commanded you and I to do in Hebrews 10:25. Therefore we kept them in church, every service. Sports, nor anything else was allowed to get in the way of us introducing our children to Jesus at His house, church. Them learning the way to heaven and how to live a life of peace in Jesus (honorable living) was far more important than anything else. They have not only been introduced to Jesus in the one place on earth they can be introduced and taught (church), but have been taught in His Word there. Now they are good citizens and have raised and are raising their children to be the same in Christ. Kindness and unconditional love for others is a main practice of their lives.

We are so glad we did not abort (kill) them and fail to lead them to heaven in Jesus.

I might say that my wife had life threatening circumstances when carrying our second child and it was recommended for the sake of my wife's life that we abort the baby. She refused to abort and our sweet girl is alive and well, living for Jesus and teaching her children to do the same.

Today the churches and the Sunday Schools where we can bring our children to Jesus are almost empty and hundreds of churches close every year for non-attendance. The soccer fields and baseball diamonds, etc. are full every Sunday morning, but the churches, the houses of God where Jesus is proclaimed and worshipped are barely attended now. We have raised up generation after generation these last many decades who find sports and making money and just recreating to be more important than being introduced to Jesus. Now they are preparing or are raising another and another generation outside of that one place on earth where Jesus is introduced to them. So, our society is without the

love of Jesus in their hearts, producing a ravaged society, soaked in drugs, disrespect for parents and all other authority, marching in the street, burning the flag, indulging in immorality, murder and thievery constantly rising, and you name it. The Bible says that hell will enlarge itself to accommodate this failure on the part of parents. Jesus said, "Many

are called, but few are chosen." Jesus who knew and knows the past and the future was clear on how this world would end up. Where do you want your children and grandchildren to end up? Jesus wants to meet them and take them to heaven.

Charles Empey is the Pastor of Cove Baptist Church, Orange, TX

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President Biden to meet Pope Francis at end of October, sources say

Andrea Gagliarducci
Catholic News Agency

Pope Francis is expected to receive Joe Biden on Oct. 29, in the U.S. president's first official visit to the Vatican since his inauguration, according to sources at the Apostolic Palace.

The sources told CNA on Sept. 25 that their information came directly from the Prefecture for the Pontifical Household. Though encounters with heads of state are diplomatic occasions, the Prefecture is responsible for the organization and protocol around the meetings.

Another independent source told CNA that preparations were underway at the U.S. Embassy to the Holy See and the first loads of trucks

and equipment for the visit were already on their way to Rome.

The White House said on Sept. 22 that Biden would meet with the French President Emmanuel Macron in Europe at the end of October.

Asked if there were plans in the works for a papal meeting, a White House spokesperson told CNA on Sept. 28 that there was "nothing to announce."

The Vatican does not usually give advance notice of visits by heads of state. Generally, information is provided just a few days before meetings take place. The Holy See tends to confirm the visit only after the head of state makes an official announcement.

According to the sources,

Biden's trip would be an official visit. First, the president would have a meeting with Pope Francis. Then there would be bilateral talks in the Secretariat of State with Cardinal Pietro Parolin, Vatican Secretary of State, and Archbishop Paul Gallagher, the Secretary for Relations with States and the Vatican's equivalent of a foreign minister.

Biden met Pope Francis for the first time in September 2015, when the pope attended the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia. At the time, Biden was vice-president of the Obama administration.

Biden visited the Vatican on April 29, 2016, to participate in a regenerative medicine summit.

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CAPT. DICKIE COLBURN
For The Record



Dickie Colburn

"Out with the old and in with the new!" That time tested adage is worthy of a little closer scrutiny when applied to fishing!

Graphite rods, low profile reels, electronics that take the guess work out of locating fish and high performance boats that can handle the roughest conditions are just a few of the innovations that have made us all better fishermen. I cannot, however, say the same thing about both fresh and saltwater lures.

When I was smitten with bass fishing at a very young age, I would mow yards all day to buy a new Lucky 13, Jitterbug or Hula Popper. They all caught bass, but with exception of the few displayed in my collection of "old" lures, they no longer see the light of day. Go find a new one today!

Back in the day, manufacturers were more concerned with producing a lure that appealed to the angler as well as the fish rather than developing a lure to meet a certain need. While few and far between, crankbaits were available, but that term was never even used prior to the advent of

Rat-L-Trap. The venerable River Runt had a metal lip and you never returned home with one that you fished with more than a few casts.

As bass fishing grew in popularity, lures suddenly became more efficient. The Rogue, Long A, Big O and Bagley B were all deadly lures that covered more water and produced more fish. Just like their predecessors, however, most of those lures have now given way to a raft of new choices. Why have we abandoned those lures?

I can assure you that I still have great confidence in the minnow style topwaters now referred to as jerk baits as well as shallow running crankbaits. They have not been relegated to collector status.

Soft plastic lures have taken an ever bigger hit over the years than the hard bodied topwaters and crankbaits. Crème seemingly owned the market with their six inch natural colored worm armed with three exposed hooks and a small propeller. So much for the thought of fishing it weedless, but it caught a ton of bass.

In truth, Texas rigging changed the entire plastic business as they could now design plastics that looked exactly like a worm, lizard or crawfish. Regardless of how well any of those lures worked, within a month you now had to decide on the addition of a straight tail, curly tail, no tail, segmented body or rings on the body in lengths from four to twelve inches.

The choices were endless, but selecting a productive color was even more challenging. No more black, grape or purple. You were still in the game when they changed colors to blackberry, strawberry or plum, but the addition of colored glitter was even more confusing.

And if that wasn't enough, take a shot at guessing what you

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Texans kicker Ka'imi Fairbairn returns to practice, season debut

Deepi Sidhu
Texans Insider



The Texans sixth-year kicker Ka'imi Fairbairn missed the league-minimum three games and has been designated to return off the Reserve/Injured list.

Ka'imi Fairbairn could make his 2021 regular-season debut in the coming weeks, possibly as soon as Week 4 in Buffalo. The Texans sixth-year kicker missed the league-minimum three games and has been designated to return off the Reserve/Injured list.

"I expect him to (come off IR), but we will know more about him on Wednesday," Head Coach David Culley said Monday. "This is what we targeted for him getting back."

Under NFL rules, designating a return off injured reserve allows a player to begin practices. The club then has a 21-day window to decide whether or not to activate the player to the 53-man roster. If the player isn't activated by the end of the three-week practice window, he remains on IR for the remainder of the season. Due to COVID-19, the league relaxed its IR rules. Now, teams can designate unlimited players to return from IR and they become eligible after missing just three games.

Fairbairn was placed on injured reserve on Sept. 8 after suffering a pulled leg muscle during pregame

warmups of the final preseason game. The Texans signed K Joey Slye to fill in for Fairbairn. Slye, who played two seasons with the Carolina Panthers, has made 4-of-5 field goals and con-

nected on 7-of-8 extra-point attempts through three games.

The Texans will face the Buffalo Bills at Highmark Stadium in Week 4. Kickoff is set for Sunday at noon CT.

Orange County High School Football Heads Into Week 6



WOS lineman Ja'kalen Jenkins blocks for quarterback Jayson Zeigler. Zeigler had 49 yards and two rushing touchdowns before he left late in the third with an injury. The Mustangs defeated HF 24-8.

District Standings Begin To Take Focus

Week 5 Results

Orangefield 16 Silsbee 14
WO-S 24 Hamshire-Fannett 8
LC-M 49 Hou. Kincaid 20
Vidor 8 Jasper 7
Nederland 38 PN-G 28
Baytown Sterling 14 United 7
North Shore 44 West Brook 7
PA Memorial 34 La Porte 0
Livingston 34 Madisonville 14
Lumberton 24 Brazosport 21
Splendora 53 Spring Legacy 36
Hargrave 31 La Marque 7
Liberty 49 Hardin-Jefferson 0
Newton 44 Kountze 3
Woodville 44 Buna 12
East Chambers 47 Hardin 10

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★ Orange County Football Highlights ★



WO-S' Jayson Zeigler prepares to hand off to Elijah Gales while Jalen Brown blocks for the Mustangs. Gales finished the game with 134 yards on 11 carries in the 24-8 win over Hampshire-Fannett. RECORD PHOTO: Meri Elen Jacobs



Late in the game, Mustang kicker Christian Quentino-Polio booted a 27 yard field goal to put the Mustangs up, 24-0. The Longhorns weren't able to get into the end zone until 9 seconds remained in the game. RECORD PHOTO: Meri Elen Jacobs

OJH Bobcats defeat Silsbee in 36-14 victory

Staff Report
For The Record

On Thursday, the OJH Bobcats were looking to have a big night kicking off their Homecoming week with three games against the Silsbee Tigers.

The B team started off the festivities quickly but soon fizzled out losing 30-0. It was a tough night for these Bobcats, but they never gave up and fought hard until the end. There were a few bright spots on the offensive side of the ball, as Seth Smith took control of the football and showed off his arm with a 30-yard pass to Devin Flory. Emmanuel Zepeda ran between the tackles for close to 50 yards to cap off the night. The 7th grade A team was next to try their luck and see if they could have a better showing, and they did just that, capitalizing on punishing runs from Carson Gonzales.

Gonzales led the team in rushing with well over 100 yards and four touchdowns. Elijah Jones had one of the best runs of the night showing off his speed and moves, breaking tackle after tackle on a 71-yard touchdown scamper. Cylan Granger and Kale Spears each chipped in two-point conversions to help seal the 36-14 victory for the Bobcats.

After a few masterful adjustments, the defensive unit stepped up and made big hits that stopped the Silsbee Tiger ball carriers in their tracks. The secondary took care of business on the back end, led by Kade Canizaro, Jack Luker, Cole Sanches, and Kessler Briggs.

Plenty of big tackles were made by the likes of Adam Myers, Rylan Agerton, and Gunnar Griffin, but the hit of the night belongs to Tyler Harvey who leveled the running back nearly knocking the ball free. After all the excitement from the previous game, the 8th

graders were ready to take on a much different-looking Tiger team from last year.

The first two drives proved to set the tone for the game as the Tigers quickly marched down the field to score on a reverse, and the Bobcats answered with their own long run from Mason Manning. Manning led the backfield, lowering his head and earning every yard of the 103 that he gained on the night. Carson Worthy had another great game under center making multiple smart throws; one of which was a 32 yarder to Rylan McAlpin that set up a short touchdown for Manning.

Coach Legate and Coach Wilbur decided to dip into their bag of tricks and onside kick right before the half. Ashton Sumrall, in his first game back for the Bobcats, executed it to perfection with a recovery made by Griffin Thomas.

After halftime, Kyler Green flashed his speed around the end allowing another Bobcat back to total over 100 yards. Defensively the unit held their own, containing the speed and size of the Tigers, only breaking down on two plays to allow scores.

Late in the game, when it mattered most, the Cats made the plays and shot down any hopes of a Silsbee Tiger comeback.

The whole defensive unit played extremely well, led by Matthew Johnson, Easton Sprayberry, Kaleb Menard, Kim Tsan, Layne Reynolds, and Michael Fenner. The hit of the night came when Coach Ragsdale dialed up a fire blitz, giving Logan Trero the opportunity to make a game-ending tackle on Silsbee's quarterback in the fourth quarter, which put the Tigers well out of scoring range.

The Bobcats have a quick turnaround on a short week, as they will travel to Vidor on Tuesday to take on the Pirates.



WOS Mustang defensive players Isaiah Thomas and Bryson Jordan hang on to Longhorn quarterback Kheagian Heckaman in the Mustangs 24-8 win. RECORD PHOTO: Meri Elen Jacobs

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Study looks at U.S. climate change mitigation related to forestry and agriculture

Paul Schattenberg
Texas A&M AgriLife
News Correspondent

Climate change mitigation investments in carbon sequestration related to forest management can help offset greenhouse gas emissions from U.S. crop and livestock production, according to a collaborative study that included a leading authority from Texas A&M University.

A new study published in the Journal of Forest Economics investigates the role of U.S. agriculture and forestry in greenhouse gas mitigation.

Bruce McCarl, Ph.D., an agricultural economist in the Department of Agricultural Economics in the Texas A&M College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, was among the governmental and academic experts collaborating on this research published with the help of the nonprofit Research Triangle Institute, RTI, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

McCarl said results of the study will help decision-makers assess opportunities for greenhouse gas mitigation in forestry and agricultural systems as well as better understand how mitigation costs may change over time and under fluctuating economic conditions.

"For the study, we looked at different greenhouse gas emission reduction and sequestration possibilities," McCarl said. "We tried to show how important agricultural and forestry climate mitigation actions could be to meeting our international responsibilities under the Paris Agreement."

National soil carbon and forest sequestration impact as well as emission control programs are considered ways to help meet these international obligations, McCarl said.

"We investigated cost levels at which agriculture and forest actions could reasonably participate in climate mitigation efforts," he said. "Both cost and the limitations of physical factors — like the amount of land need-



Increased income and demand for agricultural commodities and forest products relate to greenhouse gas emissions. (Texas A&M AgriLife photo)

ed — were considered when trying to determine the cost and efficacy of carbon sequestration efforts."

Research approach and findings

McCarl said the study shows that income and increasing demand for agricultural commodities are positively related to agricultural and forest product consumption and, in turn, relate to greenhouse gas emissions and sequestration in agriculture and forestry.

The proportion falls to approximately 28% in low-growth scenarios due to reduced baseline investments in forests and lower resulting opportunity costs of mitigation.

"Our results demonstrate how various levels of mitigation investments could be prioritized over time under different socioeconomic conditions and offer insights into complementary policies that could increase the land carbon sink by stimulating forest management," McCarl explained. "Our approach differs from integrated assessment or economy-wide modeling studies of climate policy pathways in which mitigation prices or sector-specific contributions are the result of other inputs."

Climate change abatement activities related to soil have previously been viewed as a

low-cost option for greenhouse gas mitigation, therefore a key factor to reach the nation's climate change mitigation goals, McCarl said. However, a "key knowledge gap" has come to light regarding how greenhouse gas mitigation costs interconnect with socioeconomics and policy factors like incentives, such as carbon credits.

"While energy efficiency and other technological aspects have much to do with projecting greenhouse gas mitigation potential, the cost to various sectors, such as forestry and agriculture, requires a holistic assessment of the economics," he said. "A complete assessment that shows these interactions can help guide policy and mitigation efforts of federal and regional stakeholders along with investment strategies of the private sector."

Shared socioeconomic pathways for climate change

The future pathways of climate change and societal growth are uncertain. To

represent this, the researchers used "shared socioeconomic pathways" or SSPs to reflect a wide range of plausible population, socioeconomic, energy use, geopolitical and carbon policy futures. Their use allowed the research team to highlight the importance of formulating mitigation strategies that work well under alternative future societal pathways so as to best judge the greenhouse gas mitigation role of the nation's forest and agriculture sectors.

"We needed to look at how much greenhouse gas may be in the air in the future and put that in the context of various factors," McCarl said. "These scenarios will help us anticipate needed mitigation efforts as it takes a long time between the initiation of mitigation action and the climate response. They also inform us on the actions needed to significantly limit the extent of future climate change."

Each pathway baseline scenario reflects different assumptions of gross domestic product, population growth,

urban development, energy efficiency and demand growth for agricultural and forest commodities due to changes in population, dietary preferences, trade and shifts in agricultural productivity growth.

"In the study, we use atmospheric greenhouse gas and climate projections associated with each SSP, then examine possible mitigation strategies," McCarl said.

He said the research focuses on activities that enhance land-based carbon sequestration, reduce energy-related carbon dioxide emissions from agricultural and forest

sector operations and reduce non-carbon dioxide emissions from crop and livestock production systems.

"This approach provides a more complete assessment of agriculture and forestry mitigation potential under future scenarios by explicitly capturing socioeconomic-driven changes in opportunity costs, he said. "The consideration of different mitigation strategies allows the ability to distinguish between demand or socioeconomically driven changes in emissions and sequestration from those driven directly by policy incentives."

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So here you are planning on simply catching a few specks or redbait while fear-

ing that you will not show up with the magic color for the day. Do you honestly believe that at least a few of those fish won't track down a white-pink tail grub or gold spoon?

I have my favorite colors, but I would not stay home because all I had were a few of the old standbys. Not taking advantage of improvement in electronics and fishing gear is questionable, but baling out on certain lures and colors that have worked for years is giving the fish far too much credit.

September is almost gone and your fishing license expired in August. Get it renewed and go throw some of your old stuff at the fish. It worked then and it will work today!

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Local bowhunters prep for season opener Oct 2

OUTDOORS Capt. Chuck Uzzle For The Record



Chuck Uzzle

As the days grow shorter and the temperatures become slightly more tolerable it is plain to see that fall and hunting season are just around the corner.

For local hunters, the first taste of hunting season came in the form of the opening of teal season which was followed shortly by the south zone opener for dove hunters. Wing shooters and waterfowlers aside, the most anticipated event here at home as well as all over the state will be the opening of deer season.

On October 2nd the archery only season gets under way and another deer season in Texas will have officially begun. Light cool fronts and pleasant temperatures have sparked some serious activity among local archers, especially those who are lucky enough to call Precision Archery in Bridge

City their home base for hunting. Each year during the summer and all through the months of hunting season, the good folks at Precision Archery are busily helping hunters prepare for a successful season. The shop almost resembles a human ant hill, archers from all over the area and surrounding states come here to get the best service and most professional help around. Precision Archery's staff runs a first class outfit that serves hunters of all ability and skill levels with equal courtesy and knowledge.

At this time of the year it is rare to see anything that resembles an empty parking lot, in fact its almost more rare to find a parking space as last minute hunters rush to take care of the final details. With the official start of the season only days away the traffic at Precision Archery has been predictably high to say the least.

The worst enemy of any hunter is procrastination and many archers are feeling that pressure. The well prepared hunter has already taken care of all the little details and is ready for legal shooting light on Saturday. For



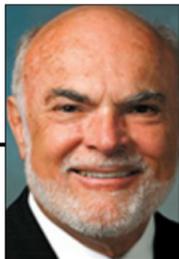
those that still have work to do before the opener a trip to Precision Archery can help cure those problems. Now as far as conditions go for local bowhunters the weatherman is not a friend right now but help could be on the way.

Temperatures that reach upper 80's during the day and a big full moon right now are not the best way to open the season. Projected cooler temperatures for later next week will hopefully bring some relief from the current conditions because they are borderline miserable for any hunter right now.

East Texas has been the beneficiary of timely rains at perfect spots during the antler growth period and that will certainly show up in the caliber of bucks that will be taken this season. Several bowhunters I know have shared some impressive trail camera photos with me recently and it's easy to see why they are so excited about the upcoming season.

Good luck to all the bowhunters and remember if you climb a tree to hunt be sure to wear your safety harness, no deer is worth a fall or injury.

My 5-Cents State Senator Robert Nichols



The first official day of fall came this week on September 22. With it came a welcome cold front across the state and a beautiful Harvest Moon. Fall brings cooler weather, leaves changing colors, and this year another special session.

Here are five things happening around your state:

1. Third special session begins

The Legislature convened for our third special session this week. There were five items originally on the call including redistricting, appropriating federal funds from the American Rescue Plan, legislation regarding eligibility for teams in UIL athletics, legislation about vaccine mandates for local governmental entities, and legislation on dog restraints. This week the governor added two additional items to the call: property tax relief and a constitutional amendment related to bail reform. The Senate has successfully passed many of these priorities already, including property tax relief, dog restraint legislation, and a bill about youth sports. In the coming weeks, we'll tackle the remaining items on the call. It's been an exciting summer in the Capitol and our work continues this fall.

2. Senate, State Board of Education proposed redistricting maps released

Last week, Senator Joan Huffman, chair of the Redistricting Committee, filed two proposed legislative redistricting maps for the Texas Senate and the State Board of Education. The committee, of which I'm a member, will be holding public hearings this Friday, September 24 at 10 am and Saturday, September 25 at 9 am to discuss the proposed maps. Redistricting is one of the most difficult tasks the legislature takes on, but also one of the most important. These maps will shape the political landscape for the next 10 years. To see the proposed maps, please visit <https://dvr.capitol.texas.gov/>. If you're interested in participating in these hearings, you can come to Austin to testify in person or submit written testimony to the committee. You can submit written testimony through the public comment portal on the committee website at <https://senate.texas.gov/cmtc.php?c=625>. To watch committee proceedings, visit <https://senate.texas.gov/av-live.php> at the time of the event to watch live. You

can also access the archives of redistricting hearings and all of the submitted public testimony on the Redistricting Committee's webpage.

3. COVID-19 antibody infusion center launches in Livingston

The Texas Division of Emergency Management in conjunction with Polk County, the City of Livingston, CHI St. Luke's Memorial - Livingston, and Polk County Office of Emergency Management launched a new COVID-19 therapeutic infusion center in Livingston. The center uses Regenon's monoclonal antibodies to treat outpatient cases of COVID-19. Importantly, patients need a referral from a doctor to receive the treatment. This treatment is available at no cost to the patient. This new center ensures that East Texans have access to high quality treatment options at no cost. The Regenon treatment is shown to be successful in decreasing the severity of a patient's symptoms, which greatly decreases the chance of hospitalization. There are also more than 200 private health providers across the state who provide the antibody infusion treatment. To find a provider near you, visit www.meds.tdem.texas.gov.

4. Army Corps of Engineers, General Land Office unveil Coastal Spine plan

This month the US Army Corps of Engineers and the Texas General Land Office released a final study that recommends a \$28.87 billion system of levees and other features to shore up

the Texas coast against storms. The study, known as the Coastal Texas Protection and Restoration

Feasibility Study, recommends a combination of coastal storm risk management and ecosystem restoration. The Coastal Spine, as it's called, is broken into three groupings:

- a coast-wide ecosystem restoration plan to restore degraded ecosystems that buffer communities and industry on the coast;
- a coastal storm risk management system on the lower coast that includes beach restoration on South Padre Island;
- the Galveston Bay Storm Surge Barrier System on the upper coast that will reduce damage to communities, critical infrastructure, waterways, and other existing structures from storm surge.

The system will increase resiliency along the coast and is adaptable to future conditions, including sea level change. Once this plan is approved by the USACE chief, it will be recommended to Congress for authorization and funding.

5. TX Facilities Commission okays contract for border wall

Last week, the Texas Facilities Commission announced the final approval of a contract for the Texas border wall. The project will be managed by Michael Baker and Huitt-Zollars Joint Venture. They will handle due diligence, budgeting, construction oversight, scheduling, reporting, and project communications. The project will focus on various locations in Texas and partner with local land owners.



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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.

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c/o: **Tommy Gunn**
 Attorney at Law
 202 S. Border Street
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Dated the 27th day of **September, 2021**.

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of **PATRICIA JEAN ELLIS PECK**, Deceased, were issued on the **September 21, 2021**, in Cause No. **P19180**, pending in the County Court at Law No. 2, Orange County, Texas, to: **JAYNE E L I Z A B E T H WITTSCHEN**.

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: **Tommy Gunn**
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Dated the 27th day of **September, 2021**.

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LEGAL NOTICES

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas
 To any and all Unknown Heirs and all Persons Interested in the Estate of

CRAIG WILLIAM BOUDREAUX, Deceased
 Cause No. **P19208**
 in County Court at Law, Orange County, Texas

The alleged heir(s) at law in the above numbered and entitled estate filed AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP in this estate on SEPTEMBER 20, 2021, requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of Craig William Boudreaux, 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 September 20, 2021.

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

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: **Kara Danielle Waugh**, Respondent,

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgement may be taken against you.

The petition of **Kristina Lynn Woods and David Michael Woods**, Petitioner, was filed in the County Court At Law #2 of Orange, Texas on 10th day of August, 2021, against **Kara Danielle Waugh**, numbered E210524-D and entitled **In the Interest of Colton Beau Waugh A Child**. The suit requests **Terminate Parent Child Relationship and for Adoption Of A Child**.

The date and place of birth of the child/ren who is/are subject of the suit:

Colton Beau Waugh Date of Birth: February 24, 2017 Jasper, TX

The court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child/ren's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

ISSUED AND GIVEN under my hand and seal of said Court at Orange, Texas, this September 10th, 2021.

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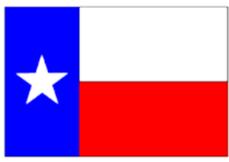
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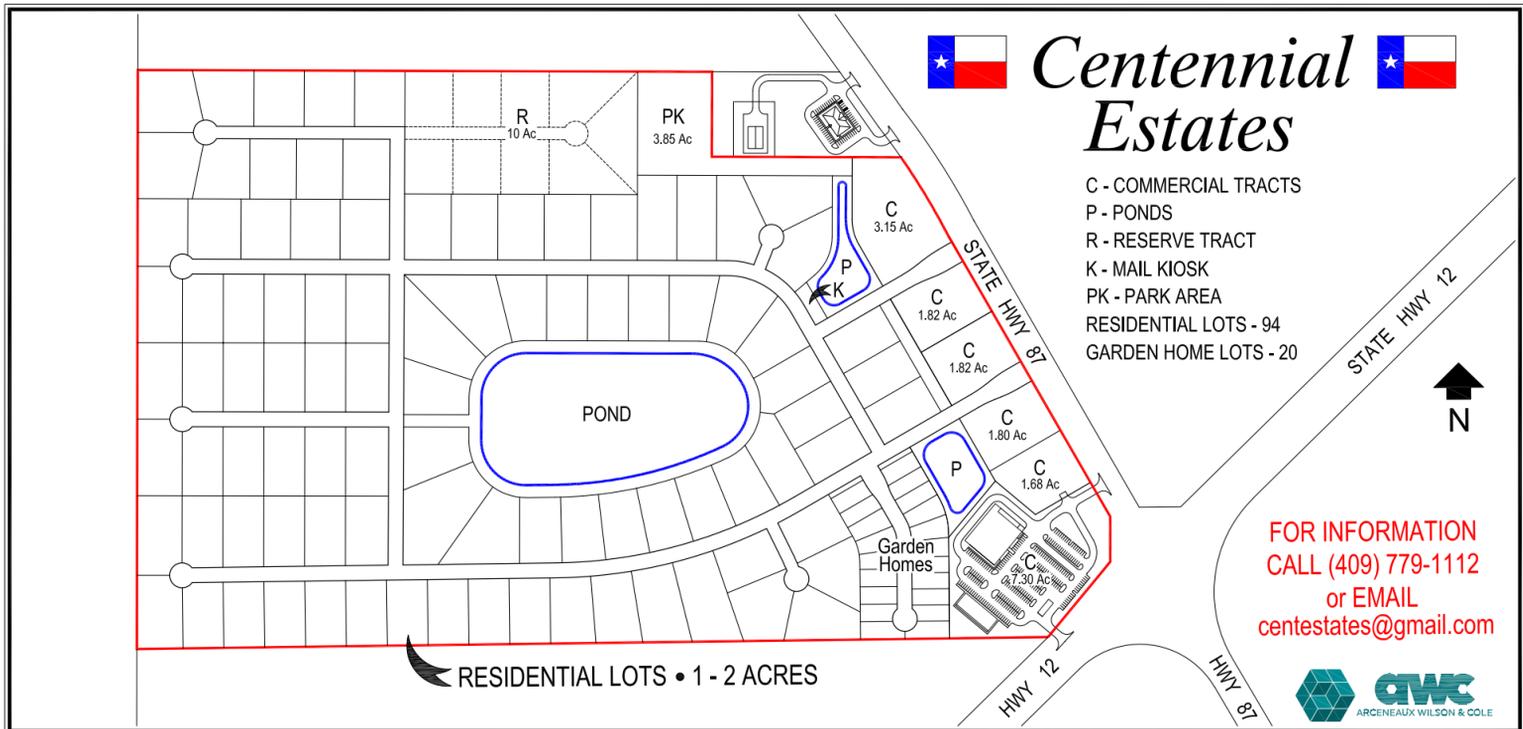
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