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## County renews tax abatement policy

MARGARET TOAL  
For The Record

Orange County Commissioners Court Tuesday renewed the county's tax abatement policy for another two years, days after Chevron Phillips-QatarEnergy announced an \$8.5 billion new plastics plant here. The county gave a tax abatement contract to the company as part of an incentive package to attract the plant, which is supposed to bring up to 3,500 construction jobs and 500 permanent jobs.

"My belief is the agree-

ment is serving us well," said Precinct 4 Commissioner Robert Viator. He said a few things need to be adjusted, but those adjustments can be made during individual contract negotiations.

County Economic Development Director Megan Layne said the state requires every county with tax abatements to adopt a policy every two years.

She said individual tax abatement contracts do not require labor union members to be hired, as was

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## BCCC making the season merry

Margaret Toal  
For The Record

The halls have already been decked with wreaths around Bridge City as the Chamber of Commerce helps spread the Christmas season spirit.

The Chamber is sponsoring a wreath silent auction to raise money for scholarships. The wreaths are on display at Bridge City City Hall and businesses around town. Also, the Chamber is sponsoring its Second Annual Christmas in the Park on Friday, December 2, and Saturday, December 3. Then on the night of December 3, the annual lighted Christmas parade will



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travel down West Roundbunch Road.

Wreaths of all colors, styles, and designs are now up for auction. The wreaths have been created by busi-

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## Humble named Pinehurst Police Chief

DAN PERRINE  
For The Record

The City of Pinehurst will have a new Chief of Police effective in December of this year. The Pinehurst City Council unanimously named Chris Humble as their new Police Chief at a special meeting on Monday, November 21.

Humble has served the last six to seven months with the Pinehurst Police Department. Humble replaces Jimmy LeBoeuf who is retiring as the Chief of Police effective December 2, 2022.

Appreciation was the first response from Humble to be named the Chief of Police in Pinehurst. "I know it's going to be a challenge. I know there are some things I'm going to be weak in, but I'm going to

depend on some of our other people because they're going to have strong points where I'm weak. I think it's going to work out real well," Humble responded.

The growth of Pinehurst will be mirrored by the growth of its police department. Humble indicated, "We're going to continue to move forward. Fortunately, we've had a good chief in Jimmy LeBoeuf. I've worked with him for twenty years. He started carrying the torch very well, and I'm just planning on hopefully to continue that."

In his thirty years of law enforcement work Humble had served 13 years with the Orange County Sheriff's Office including as a sergeant where he did investigations for six years on

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## Sheriff holds SWAT training

Margaret Toal  
For The Record

Once, Orange Memorial Hospital, now closed, saved lives. On Friday, the building once again helped save lives, but this time for law enforcement. The building became the training ground for the Orange County Sheriff's Office SWAT team with a simulated hostage situation in close quarters.

"This is a rehearsal and practice for SWAT training in a worst-case scenario in any potential situation," said SWAT Commander Jimmy Smith.

Sheriff Lane Mooney brought in two former military special-ops men who specialize in SWAT rescues to help with the training. Mike Glover from Herber City, Utah, and Rick Lofton work with FieldCraft Survival training law enforce-

ment. This time instead of the rescuers, they played the hostages and wore civilian clothes.

Commander Smith said the vacant hospital area allows the team to work together to help save hostages and take out the kidnapers or shooters. School shootings make a lot of headlines, but the rescues in close quarters training can apply to any potentially lethal situation in a building.

The training in the hospital included using real weapons, including some assault rifles not available to the general public. But instead of live ammunition, the SWAT team used simulated rounds that Smith compared to paint balls in paint ball guns.

He said the simulated rounds allow the team members to see their accuracy and how it will affect



SWAT Commander Jimmy Smith with Rick Lofton of FieldCraft Survival

the rescue effort.

The sheriff's SWAT team has 17 members and they all took part in the hospital training, along with classroom training during the two days Glover and Lofton were in town.

Smith said SWAT team members are chosen from deputies in the sheriff's office. They must have ad-

vanced training, go to a special school, be physically fit, and participate in training.

On Friday, the team wore their army green uniforms with some sporting camouflage protection vests. They also brought along the sheriff's new armored vehicle that can be used for hostage rescues.

## Cow Bayou boat parade set for Dec. 10

STAFF REPORT  
For The Record

The spirit of Christmas will light up Cow Bayou in Bridge City with a boat parade scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 10. The "Christmas on the Bayou" boat parade will wind its way along the Cow Bayou shoreline in a course that begins and ends at High Tides Restaurant and Marina.

A fleet of boats adorned in Christmas lights will navigate past the many neighborhoods on the bayou entertaining residents and spreading Christmas cheer. The procession will depart High Tides at 6 PM.



Christmas is coming to Cow Bayou in Bridge City with a boat parade scheduled for Dec. 10 at High Tides.

Upon returning, awards will be given to the best decorated boats. All boat owners wishing to join the parade are welcome to get onboard.

This is the first boat parade on Cow Bayou in several decades. An earlier, yet smaller version, was once led by Bridge City's most famous cajun, A.J. Judice,

whose fun loving antics made him one of the most renown Cajun characters west of the Sabine River. Judice died in 2008 at the age of 80. Bringing back the event was the idea of Bridge City resident Wesley Dishon who teamed up with A.J.'s son, Al Judice Sr., to restart the annual celebration kicking it off this year.

"We've already got about 50 boats participating and we're looking to sign up more," Dishon says. "It's going to be a spectacular sight as the Christmas lit boats navigate the route that will pass along all of the natural

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### Orangefield ISD trustees sworn in

Orangefield ISD gave the oath of office to three trustees, including one new one. Kyle Dubose, left, is the new school board member. He is replacing Donovan Weldon, who decided not to run again for the position after serving 19 years on the board. Weldon during his tenure helped with the 2003 bond election along with working on recovery after hurricanes Rita, Ike, and Harvey. Laura Clark and Marcus Wernig are the returning board members. The district was able to cancel the November board election because the three open positions had no contested races.



### Cow Bayou boat parade

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bayou in Bridge City." Dishon estimates the entire route will take about two hours.

Residents and property owners on Cow Bayou will have the opportunity to enjoy the colorful procession of boats as it slowly glides by. The general public can view the boat parade from High Tides which is the main staging area and center for the awards ceremony and entertainment for the remainder of the evening. There is no charge to watch the parade dockside at High Tides.

Live music by the band Twenty-Twos will begin

performing from 7 pm - 11 pm while the boat parade is underway. High Tides restaurant will also have "Christmas on the Bayou" dinner and drink specials for the event.

Boat owners interested in joining the parade are welcome to participate. There is no entry fee. Boats should be decorated in Christmas lights and ready to depart High Tides at 6 PM. For more information call High Tides at (409) 792-5001.

The "Christmas on the Bayou" boat parade is co-sponsored by High Tides and Judice's Cajun Cafe in Bridge City.

### Bridge City Chamber making season merry

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nesses, groups, and individuals to help raise money for scholarships. The Chamber will use the money raised from the silent auction to award two 2023 graduating seniors from Bridge City High and two from Orangefield High.

Bidding on the wreaths will end on Thursday, December 2. The wreaths are on display at MC Credit Union, Tequila's Mexican Restaurant, Bridge City Bank, Well Spring Credit Union, Sabine Federal Credit Union, 5Point Credit Union, and Bridge City City Hall.

Christmas in the Park will be held in the park at

150 Parkside Drive off West Roundbunch Road. Vendor applications are still available through the Chamber, though the office is closed the week of Thanksgiving and will open on Monday, November 28.

On Friday, December 2, from 5 to 9 p.m. Christmas in the Park will feature the annual "Reverse Santa." Kids of all ages may bring a toy donation in exchange to sit with Santa Claus for a photograph and to give wish lists. Toys will be given to the Bridge City-Orangefield Ministerial Alliance to give to children who otherwise would not have gifts.

Christmas in the Park festivities will continue on Saturday, December 3, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event will end in time for people to get ready for the lighted Christmas parade.

The parade this year has the them "Super Hero." The parade will leave at 6 p.m. from First Baptist Church on West Roundbunch Road (FM 1442) and then travel to Bridge City Intermediate School, where it will end.

Entry deadline for the parade is 3 p.m. Monday, November 28, at the Chamber office, 150 West Roundbunch Road. The entry fee is a toy donation for each person riding in a float or a

car, or participating with a marching or dancing group. The toys will go to the ministerial alliance.

And as if the holiday season wasn't enough, the Chamber is also planning its annual banquet for January 23. The Chamber is taking nominations for the Citizen of the Year and Business of the Year honors. The deadline for nominations is January 6. Nominations should be sealed in an envelope. They may be dropped off at the Chamber office or mailed to the Chamber, Attention: Nominating Committee, 150 West Roundbunch Road, Bridge City TX, 77611.

## WHAT IF?

### Sen. Carl Parker For The Record

Athens, Greece is the birthplace of self-government known as democracy. Even though we call our system of government a democracy, it is, in fact, a republic. The difference being that the people do not make government decisions directly, but through elected representatives who speak for them in an authorized body.

Unlike Athens which allowed citizens to gather in the public square and select their leaders on the spot as well as make decisions about what laws or



Former State Senator Carl Parker

Carl Parker is a 1958 graduate of the University of Texas School of Law. Elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1962 and the Senate in 1976.

rules they would follow as a nation, the United States as well as Texas conduct our government by selecting representatives who are supposed to speak for us in Congress and state legislatures.

Often, I get to pondering on whether or not my elected state senator, congressman or state representative is truly reflecting my desires about how we should conduct our government. Among those things that make me ask "what if" is the legalization of marijuana, the outlawing of abortion and casino gambling.

I wonder if things would

be different in Texas if the people of Texas had the opportunity to have a straight up vote on whether to legalize abortion, casino gambling or the legalization of recreational use of marijuana.

It seems that all three of these items are seen as favorable by a majority of Texans on several well-known polls that are regularly taken. It all makes me wonder "what if" we had a system like Athens when all citizens are required to stand up and state their choice of leaders and what issues they favor and the leaders had to reflect those choices.

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## Offices closed for Thanksgiving

Margaret Toal  
For The Record

Government offices for Orange County, the cities in the county, along with state and national offices, will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

City offices in Pinehurst will be open at 8 a.m. Wednesday morning before closing at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday and then being closed for Thursday and Friday. The Orange County Courthouse and other county offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday, as will city halls in Orange, Bridge City, and West Orange.

The U.S. Postal Service, however, will be open on Friday. In addition, banks will be closed on Thursday and open on Friday.

In Orange and Bridge City, no garbage pickup will be scheduled on Thursday. The usual Thursday routes will have pickups on Friday, and the regular Friday routes will be on Saturday.

West Orange has only one day of garbage pickup a week and that is on Friday. The Friday garbage service this week is moving to Saturday. Pinehurst has regular Tuesday pickup and will have no changes this week.

## Orangefield High School students earn certifications



Orangefield High School students in Mrs. Bellard's Building Information Modeling (BIM 2 class) earned their PowerPoint Associate certification. Pictured are: Back row: Camden Harrelson, Ty Butler, Kail Washington and Zane Wrinkle; Front row: Claire Griffin, Kily Nichols, Laney Bellard and Kylie Mouton.

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done decades ago. However, the abatement agreements require companies "commercially reasonable efforts" to hire local contractors and suppliers.

Tax abatements became controversial in the county in 2019 and led to the resignation of a county judge. As the negotiations for a deal for the new Chevron Phillips plant were being made, then-County Judge Dean Crooks issued a statement about being leery of tax abatements to attract new industry. After community protests about his comments, he resigned.

The court also agreed to hire a consultant to give

technical assistance for updating the county's rules and regulations for subdivisions, recreational vehicle parks, and platting. County Judge John Gothia said after the meeting the county is booming with new housing construction and will get even more as the new plant work goes along. The county needs to make sure the new housing construction and development has sufficient infrastructure services, including drainage.

In other business, commissioners agreed to appoint a committee to study fleet fuel and management for the county's

vehicles, including the heavy equipment used by the Road and Bridge Department.

The court voted to advertise for a grant administrator to help the Mauriceville Municipal Utility District with a grant through the Texas Department of Agriculture.

The county will seek new bids on major renovations for the Orange County Jail. The project includes roofing, exterior painting, and new exterior doors. No bids were received after the county first advertised to find a contractor.

## Humble named police chief From Page 1



Chris Humble and Jimmy LeBoeuf of the Pinehurst PD.  
RECORD PHOTO: Dan Perrine

crimes against children. Humble worked with all of the school districts in the county regarding that same concern.

After retiring from the Sheriff's Office, Humble was elected the County Constable for Precinct One in Orange County. He served in that position for ten years before again retiring. Humble had previously also worked as a patrolman in north Texas around the Dallas area and with the Orange Police Department.

With his new position Humble does not see a lot of changes in the immediate future of his replacing Chief LeBoeuf. "There's always going to be some different perspectives on things. Everybody comes in with a different perspective, but as far as

changing how things are run I think Jimmy set the stage for that, but I'm looking forward to it. I've enjoyed working here. All the folks that will be working with me I have confidence in them, and I just want them to have confidence that I will work to the point where they'll see that I lead by example and they'll have that same confidence in me," Humble stated.

In stepping down after about 19 months as the Police Chief in Pinehurst LeBoeuf is retiring for the third time. LeBoeuf served with the Orange County Sheriff's Office for several decades before retiring the first time to become the director of the regional police academy at the Lamar Institute of Technology (LIT) for two

and a half years. After his second retirement from LIT he was retired for about five and a half months before taking the police chief job with the City of Pinehurst.

LeBoeuf believes he leaves the Pinehurst Police Department better than when he took it over and has followed through on improvements started by the previous Pinehurst Police Chief Fred Hanauer. "I've had a really good time here. We've done a lot of good things, we've done a lot of good upgrades to the equipment and personnel with training and some things that we've done so I can definitely say I've left it better than it was when I got here. I've continued to make improvements that Fred had started prior to his retirement, so it's just going to continue on like I did when I took over for Fred now with Chris taking over will do the same thing," LeBoeuf recalled.

This third retirement could be the final one for LeBoeuf. "Well, for this retirement I don't have any other plans except for the schedule that my wife has worked out for me. They're all excited that I'll be home to take care of stuff and take care of them. They're looking forward to it just as much as I am," LeBoeuf concluded.

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## From the Creaux's Nest

### THANKS IS A DOUBLE EDGED SWORD

We folks here in Southeast Texas have much to be thankful for. All around us, in many ways, from crime to weather and more, this is one of the **luckiest areas**. Anyone who wants a job can get one and the economy is now on the **verge of booming**. I probably won't be here to see it but you can't even envision the **drastic change that will occur**. It won't be without affecting our infrastructure. Traffic will be a solid bottleneck. **Six-thousand new construction workers** will amount to at least 10,000 new citizens. It will almost be impossible to get out of places like **Market Basket on Texas Ave.** in Bridge City etc. I'm told despite all the R.V. parks being built, workers will be staying as far as **Jasper and Lake Charles**, commuting to work in **Orange County**. Great things are coming but **big headaches will come with it**. It is a blessing for young people and younger families that work right here at home but for the **elderly folks on fixed income** not so good. Since WWII, **Orange County** has been waiting on another boom. Let's be thankful for the progress that will make us **the envy of others**. If you would like to acknowledge any guest in for **Thanksgiving** or if you visited anyone, contact **Margaret or Janelle** at [news@therecordlive.com](mailto:news@therecordlive.com) or call **409-886-7183**. *Happy Thanksgiving.*

### CONDOLENCE'S

I was sorry to learn of the death of **Harold Austin Scales**, age 90, who died November 8. Funeral services were held Saturday, November 19, at First Baptist Church of Bridge City. It was this time of year, 65 years ago, when I first met Harold. He had served in the Army during the Korean conflict, and then went on to work at Firestone until retirement. Harold always read the daily newspapers but never subscribed to any. For years, every morning I visited with him at the Mobile store at Roundbunch and Texas Ave. when he came in to buy a paper. He also was a big fan of the Penny Record and often asked about an editorial or subject. I had not seen him in the last few years but will always remember how we met and our friendship through the years. He leaves behind a great family and many kin-folks. May he rest in peace.

### TURNING BACK THE HANDS OF TIME 10 Years Ago-2012

I've got all involved in my new **Texas Monthly**. Read all about **Willie Nelson** and his 45 year old guitar, "**Trigger**." It was a great interview with Willie but also a feature story on "**Trigger**." I first met **Willie** at the **Hilltop**, right after he and **Paul** got kicked out of **Nashville**. He had a crew cut then. Thanks to my friend **Helen**, a longtime **Willie** friend, I got to hang out with him and the guys. **Ms. Mattie**, 100 year old writer with the **Shelby County Light**, wrote a couple of months ago that her friend **Willie** would be coming out with his new book, "**Roll Me Up and Smoke Me When I Die**" in November. Well, last night **Willie** was on the **Pierce Morgan** show on CNN hawking the new book. What a life that guy from **Abbott** has lived and think of the treasures he'll leave behind. \*\*\*\* **"Bill" Clark** was born **Lee O'Daniel Clark**, in Fairmont, on August 22, 1939 and died Nov. 25, 2012, at age 73. I never did know for sure but I suspect he was named after **Texas governor Pappy Lee O'Daniel**. I had known **Bill** well over 40 years even before he got into radio, when he and **Doris Ann** were young newly weds and before their two girls came along. They even named the street where he lived, off Hwy. 408, in Bridge City, **Clark Lane** in his honor. I had known most of his siblings, even before I met **Bill**. They are down to earth, real country folks. **Junior Clark**, who was **Judge Pat Clark's dad and Doyle**, a great guy, are both gone now. **H.K. Clark**, another brother is a longtime fixture in Bridge City, who helped build the city. **Bill** had a lot of beautiful sisters. I remember **Mozell**, the best but there was **Jo Nell, Bobbie Lena and Reba**. Of all the **Clarks** I've known, **Bill** was different. His talent was no different from the others however when it came to the gift of gab. They'll talk your horns off. **Bill** was really **artistic** and for years he wrote a column in **The Opportunity Valley News**. He was gifted. **Nephew Pat Clark** shares that gift but few people know about his great poetry.\*\*\*\* Congratulations to coach **Thompson**, the staff and the **West Orange-Stark Mustangs** on their win over the **West Columbia Roughnecks**. **The Stangs**, 12-0, take on **Lorena**, 10-2, at 7 p.m. Friday at **Waller Stadium**. They will face quarterback **Harris Coleman**, who has been a one-man show all season. He rushed for 1,823 yards and 31 TDs and threw for 1,698 yards and 15 TDs. Each week the **Mustangs** meet a team that is better than the last. \*\*\*\*To good friends **Sue** and **Tommy Simar**, **Creaux** and I say happy 24th anniversary this week. They drove to Pennsylvania so **Sue** could get a little **Yankee charge**. About every two years **Tommy** has to get her recharged however, **Sue** says they have made their last driving trip. \*\*\*\***Bridge City's Matt Bryant** and the

**Falcons beat Tampa Bay** 24-23. **Matt** made a 31-yard field goal and missed a 21-yarder. In all **Matt** added six points. Atlanta is 9-1, the same as the **Houston Texans**. **Wade Phillips** defense wasn't as sharp as usual but the **Texans** barely pulled out a 34-31 win over Detroit. \*\*\*\* **"Johnny Football" Manziel** is only a 19 years old freshman at **Texas A&M**. Last year he was a high school student at **Kerrville**, today he's being considered for the **Heisman Trophy**. Saturday he put on a clinic against **Missouri** throwing 44 passes and connecting 32 for 372 yards. He rushed for 370 yards in the 59-29 win. (Editor's note: Then it all went south.)

### 25 Years Ago-1997

A going away party was held in **Commissioners Court** for retiring **Judge Claude Wimberly**. **Pauline Farris** was appointed to fill his unexpired term. \*\*\*\* **C. Delle Bates** is moving to the beach. (Editor's note: I don't think he stayed very long.) \*\*\*\* Local insurance agent and businessman, **Fletcher Garner**, 79, passed away. **Garner** had lived in the **Port Arthur/Bridge City** area for over 50 years. He was a partner in **Parkside Place Subdivision** along with **Paul and Bobby Cormier, Roy Dunn and others** who donated the property that the **Community Center** and other facilities sit on. **Fletcher** is survived by wife **Geraldine**. (Editor's note: **Ms. Geraldine** left Bridge City after **Hurricane Ike** destroyed her home on **Strapper Dr.**) \*\*\*\* We were sorry to learn about the death of **Bronnis Faircloth**, 64. **Mrs. Lee Scott Faircloth** was retired from **Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company** in **Beaumont**. She is survived by daughters **Jane Hewitt Dupree** and **Liz Bergman**, step children, **Steve, Lee Scott Jr. and Pat Bostsck**. (Editor's note: Since her death, **Lee Scott Jr.**, has also passed away.) \*\*\*\* **Record Newspaper** journalist **Chris Farkas** jumped from an airplane so he could write about it. He'll do anything for a story. He called his feature "**Paper Wings**." He said he never was so scared. I believe they had to push him out. \*\*\*\* **Judge Flo Edgerly** bagged an eight-point buck. \*\*\*\* **Marialeice** is wearing a new rock so not to be outdone, **Shirley Roccaforte** is wearing an empty jar of tartar sauce, with several carrots attached to it, around her neck. \*\*\*\* **Bridge City Chamber** appoints two new directors, **Michael Cedars** and **Terri Gauthier**. **Mike** is a PNG and **Lamar grad**, **Terri** is a 1978 **Bridge City grad**. She has been married to her high school sweetheart, **David**, for 19 years. They have two children.

### 50 YEARS AGO-1972

The **West Orange Chiefs**, undefeated and state ranked going into the last game of the season, meet their **Waterloo**. The **Bridge City Cardinals** defeat the **Chiefs** 22-20 in **West Orange**, their only loss of the year. The **Chiefs** score first on **Barney Duhon's** one yard run. **Butch Campbell** kicked the extra point to make it 7-0. **Lanston Fall** scored from one yard out and also made the two point conversion, 8-7 **Cards**. **Randall Teate**, on the reverse play, goes 61 yards for a TD. **Campbell's boot** is good, 14-8 **West Orange**. After halftime **Keith McCammond** and **David Mire** move up the middle for **Bridge City**. **Fall** scored again. **Jimmy LaComb's** kick is good, 15-14 **B.C.** The **Chiefs** threatened again; **Coach Chief Wilson's** defense held tough with leaders **Fall, Mark Dunn, Charlie Hildebrandt, Tim Lawler, Kenny Brown** and **Roger Easterling**. The **Chiefs** are forced to try a 26-yard field goal by **Campbell**; the kick fails. **BC's Bo Worrell** intercepts a **Ray Pousson** pass and scores, 22-14 **BC**. **Campbell** adds six more for the **Chiefs**, 22-20 **BC**. The two-point conversion fails. **Fall** is the outstanding two-way player with seven tackles and three assists, 178 yards gained on 2 carries. **Dunn** led all **Bridge City** tackles for the year. **Fall and Dunn**, two district standouts return next season. **West Orange** will represent the east zone in **District 3A** playoffs. **Bridge City** had two district losses. \*\*\*\* The east zone all-star team player, **Bubba McGallion, Silsbee**; Most exciting runner, **Barney Duhon, West Orange**; coach of the year, **Jim Crossland, LCM**. The **Bears**, picked to finish last, were 7 - 3. \*\*\*\* Offensive players of the year, **Wayne Courville, LCM; Bobby Jo Westbrook, Silsbee; Jerry Callier, WO; David Riddling, BC; Mike Fishbeck, LCM; Paul Bingham, WO; Kenny Johnson, WO; and Michael Landry, BC; Bubba McGallion, Silsbee; Lanston Fall BC; Barney Duhon, WO; Butch Campbell, WO.** \*\*\*\* Defensive team: **James Long, WO; Curtis Jenkins, Jasper; Kenny Brown, BC; Tommy Dunnigan, Silsbee; Larry Spears, WO; Mark Dunn, BC; Ronny Duhon, WO; Keith High, LCM; Lee Jay Perry, LCM; Clifton Rankin, WO; Keith McCammond, BC; Bryan Carr, LCM; Bo Worrell, BC.** \*\*\*\* Second team: **West Orange, Roy Williams, Ray Pousson, Darrow Judge, David Taylor, Randle Teate, Steve Lovett, Arlister Scott.** \*\*\*\* **LCM, Pat Johnson, Allen Harrison, Johnny Fleming, Gene Hennigan.** \*\*\*\* **Bridge City: David Mire, Paul O'Rourke, Roger Easterling, Chuck Majors, Clint Belk, Tony Bramblett.** (Editor's note: The following year, **West Orange** returned the favor. **Bridge City** had shut out seven opponents and only had a tie when **West Orange** beat them.

### A FEW HAPPENINGS

The **Lutcher Theater** was full of parents, grandparents, and children wearing colorful Christmas sweaters and sparkling outfits as they all went to see the musical "**Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer**." Looks like all had a "**Holly Jolly**" good time. And apparently, the concession selling stuff **Rudolph** dolls did well as a lot of children left clutching the soft, snuggly dolls. **Sarah Byers Sanchez** came from **Beaumont** with husband **Dr. Charles Sanchez** to bring little **Eleanor**, who wore adorable **mary jane shoes** with pearl straps, along with blue velvet. **Sydney Brittain** and dressed up **Collins Ruth** went accompanied by **YaYa Angie Williams**. **Free State Winery** has started serving wine and charcuteries pre-show and during intermission, but for **Rudolph**, they sold pre-ordered cookie trays and hot chocolate cookie cups. Yum. **Walter Riedel**, retired CEO of the **Stark Foundation**, was seen wearing a red velvet **Santa hat** as he rang the bell in the theater to help start off the **Salvation Army's** annual kettle drive. All the donations stay local. \*\*\*\* Speaking of the **Salvation Army**, **Al Granger** is once again hosting the **Granger Chevrolet-KOGT.com** food drive on Thursday, December 2. Later that morning, the **Orange Service League's Toy Coffee** will be held at the **Brown Estate**, proba-

bly the only place in the county to top last year's coffee at the home of **Paul and Raul Burch**. Admission to the **Toy Coffee** is a cash donation or a new, unwrapped toy for the **Salvation Army**. This year, they are also accepting blankets and bedding because some children ask for that for **Christmas**. **Captains Frankie and Jan Zuniga** will be everywhere this next month. \*\*\*\* Birthday celebrations this week included **John Goss**, who hit the big 4-0, and **Gavin Lee Roberts**, who turned 14. **Stephanie Duval** turned another year older, as did **Melanie Claybar** (married to **Joey Claybar**), **Jana Deason, Jimmy Lestage**, and **Jason LeLeaux**. **Carly and Jardin Thibodeaux** marked their 19th anniversary while **Gerilyn and Harry Vine** toasted their 43rd anniversary. **Bridget Trawhon** is celebrating becoming a grandmother with the birth of **Luna Elizabeth**. \*\*\*\* **Paul and Kim Dickerson** hosted a big **Greater Orange Area Chamber of Commerce ribbon-cutting** reception at **Orange Stationer** on **Division Avenue** in downtown **Orange**. **Paul** opened a furnished office space complex people may rent for conferences, or even individual office spaces for the day or longer. The **Pink Lady and Free State Winery** served refreshments. \*\*\*\* We're sorry to hear about **West Orange City Councilor Lanie Brown's** unfortunate accident in her new vehicle, dubbed "**Black Betty**." **Lanie** is OK, but the deer she hit going 75 mph is deceased. **Black Betty** suffered damages even before **Lanie** could make the second payment. \*\*\*\* **County Judge John Gothia** and family are traveling this weekend to see the big **Texas A&M-LSU** game. Looks like his neighbor in **Bridge City, Ida Schossow**, will be dog sitting. \*\*\*\* A true **American story**, **Procter and Gamble** turns 185 years old. Globally **P&G's products** are used by 4.5 billion consumers. The company employs 126,000, in 75 countries, and **P&G brands** are sold in 105 more countries. Among their blockbuster brands are **Tide and Pampers**. My memory goes back a long way to when we quit using **grandma's homemade lye soap** and got to buy store-bought soap. It was a large white bar of **P&G soap**. So I've traveled much of that 185 years with **P&G**.

### BREAUX BIRTHDAYS

A few folks celebrating their big day in the next few days. **Nov. 23: Rita Ellis, Barbara Boyton, Christina Tallant, Haylie Belcher.** \*\*\*\* **Nov. 24: Happy Birthday to Steven James, Cindy McLaughlin, Dae Leigh Sandlin, Thomas Hutchison, Kim Hubbard, Debbie Hughes.** \*\*\*\* **Nov. 25: Celebrating today are Kristen Baker, Sherry Hickman, Serena Simonton, Amber Permar, Sherry Hommel, Kelly Stanley.** \*\*\*\* **Nov. 26: It a big day for Judge Courtney Arkeen, D.A. John Kimbrough, Todd Dixon, Ronald Risinger, Mary Sexton, Eric Andrus, Holly McKinley, Christri Nelson, Taryn Hubbard, Katie Deal, Wanda Monogue, Colby Daville, Dana Bryant.** Celebrating an anniversary on this date are **Don and Angie Breaux**. We wish you many more years together. \*\*\*\* **Nov. 27: Happy Birthday to Michael Wiggins, Casey Tally, Mark Bourgeois, Melissa Fisher, Sharon Gregory, Tena Kenney, Betty Simonton, Cindy Huckabay.** \*\*\*\* **Nov. 28: Celebrating today are Brooklyn Samperie, Barbara Peveto, Jade Seibert, Rick Bridgers, Russell Dillow, Haley Barlow, Lynda Walther, David Fusilier, Tiffany Osborn, Cassandra Carpenter.** \*\*\*\* **Nov. 29: Troy Manuel, Angela Harkness, Freda Riley, Vickie Fontenot, Tyler Bearden and Barry Burton.**

### CAJUN STORY OF THE WEEK

**Theophile Leger's** boy, **Oray**, went to **New Orleans** to look around and spend some time in the big city. While hanging out around **Jackson Square**, he met dis woman who invite him to sit on da bench. After dey walk around, she took him to her apartment in da **French Quarter**. **Oray** him, he spent da night. After a big night of fun, he rolls over and is looking around wen he notices a framed picture of anutter man on da night stand. **Oray** him, he start to worry "Is dat you husband?" he ax. "No silly," she replied, while snuggling up to him. "Is dat you boyfriend den?" he questioned. "No, not at all," she said, while nibbling on his ear. "Is dat you dad or you brother?" **Oray** ax, hoping to be reassured. "No, no, no," she said. "Well, dammit, who it be den?" **Oray** demanded. Calmly da girl replied, "Honey, dats me before da surgery."

### C'EST TOUT POLITIFACT ON TRUMP'S MANY FALSE STATEMENTS

He is peeing against the wind. He's a fool but even he knows that he can't win a general election. His best bet is to win the **Republican** nomination with his 30-35 percent cult factor in the Party. That would allow him to keep milking the "**Cash Cow**." He has never won the popular vote and the mid-term elections proved he can't win the **Electoral College**. Former **President Donald Trump** announced Nov. 15 at his **Mar-a-Lago** residence in Florida that he'll seek the **Republican** presidential nomination in 2024. **Trump** has long hinted that he would run again, and has disparaged potential rivals. Pundits have described **Trump** as the "**big loser**" of the midterms, suggesting he is to blame for weaker-than-expected results for **Republicans**. **PolitiFact** has fact-checked **Trump** 960 times since 2011, as a businessman, presidential candidate and president. He is the most fact-checked politician on **PolitiFact's Truth-O-Meter**. He has spread conspiracy theories, repeated baseless false claims and has been thrice "**awarded**" **PolitiFact's Lie of the Year**. In his presidency's final weeks, **Trump** refused to accept electoral defeat and encouraged his supporters to go to **Washington, D.C.**, on **Jan. 6, 2021**, to protest **Congress** certification of the 2020 presidential election results. **The insurrection of the U.S. Capitol** that day led to nine deaths, hundreds of prosecutions and a yearlong probe by the **House committee**. In 2021, the **Lie of the Year** award went to the **campaign to whitewash** the history of the **January 6** riot. Two things that will prevent **Trump** from ever being president again, besides a felony conviction, **Republicans** are tired of losing. The **American** people don't want four more years of lies and chaos. He's done, but will continue to make suckers out of small donors that send him their **hard-earned \$30**. \*\*\*\* Well, I made it. Thanks for tagging along. **Take care and God bless.**

# A Prayer of Thanksgiving

by Pearl Burgess



Thank you dear Father for all that you do  
 Helping me daily as I walk life through,  
 Always listening as I kneel down to pray  
 Never forsaking me, guiding my way.  
 Keeper of promises, your praises I sing  
 Saved by grace, I'm a child of the King,  
 Great are the blessings poured out to me  
 Infinite love shown that will forever be.  
 Victory in Jesus that saved me from sin  
 Indwelling Spirit gives me peace within,  
 Nothing compares to what You have done  
 Gracious God, thank You for Jesus your Son!

O give thanks unto the Lord, for  
 He is good; for His mercy endureth  
 forever. 1 Chronicles 16:34

## 'My Fair Lady' welcomes home Orange native to the Lutchter stage



The Lutchter Theater will present "My Fair Lady" on Monday, December 5 at 7:30 p.m.

Staff Report  
 For The Record

The Lutchter Theater will present "My Fair Lady" on Monday, December 5 at 7:30 p.m. and celebrates the return of Orange, TX native, Sophie Braud, back to the Lutchter Theater stage. A limited amount of tickets are still available and can be purchased at [lutchter.org](http://lutchter.org).

From Lincoln Center Theater that brought you "The King & I" and "South Pacific," comes "a sumptuous new production of the most perfect musical of all time" (Entertainment Weekly), Lerner & Loewe's "My Fair Lady." Director Bartlett Sher's glowing production is "thrilling, glorious and better than it ever was" (New York Times). "Every so often a revival comes

along that reminds you how indispensable great theater can be" (NY1). Boasting such classic songs as "I Could Have Danced All Night," "The Rain in Spain," "Wouldn't It Be Lovely" and "On the Street Where You Live," "My Fair Lady" tells the story of Eliza Doolittle, a young Cockney flower seller, and Henry Higgins, a linguistics professor who is determined to transform her into his idea of a "proper lady." But who is really being transformed?

"We are excited to host Orange native Sophie Braud back to the Lutchter Theater," said Lynae Sanford, executive director of the Lutchter Theater. "Sophie was here three years ago with a different Broadway tour, "Escape to Margaritaville," and the community



Orange native Sophie Braud

rolled out the red carpet for her. It's always an honor to celebrate our talented locals!"

Tickets are currently on sale and can be purchased at [lutchter.org](http://lutchter.org) or by calling the Box Office at 409.886.5535. The Lutchter Theater is located at 707 Main Avenue in Orange, TX.

## Rotarians present check to Ministerial Alliance



The Bridge City /Orangefield Rotary Club presented a check for two thousand dollars to the Bridge City-Orangefield Ministerial Alliance. Accepting on their behalf are Pastors Mark Bunch and Jack Comer. Pictured are front: Sam Comer, Karen Collier, Mark Bunch, Jack Comer, Ron Hutchinson, Dr. Mark Messer; Back row: Brent Walker, Jerry Jones, Steve Quibodeaux, Bill Nickum and John Dubose.

## Orangefield students earn BIM certification



Orangefield High School students in Mrs. Drodgy's Building Information Modeling (BIM 1 class) earned their Word Associate certification. The students are (left to right); Randi Ross, Gabriel Maricle, Caden Knott and Dalyn Miller.

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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.

c/o:  
**Barron Law Office**  
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Dated the 22nd day of November, 2022.

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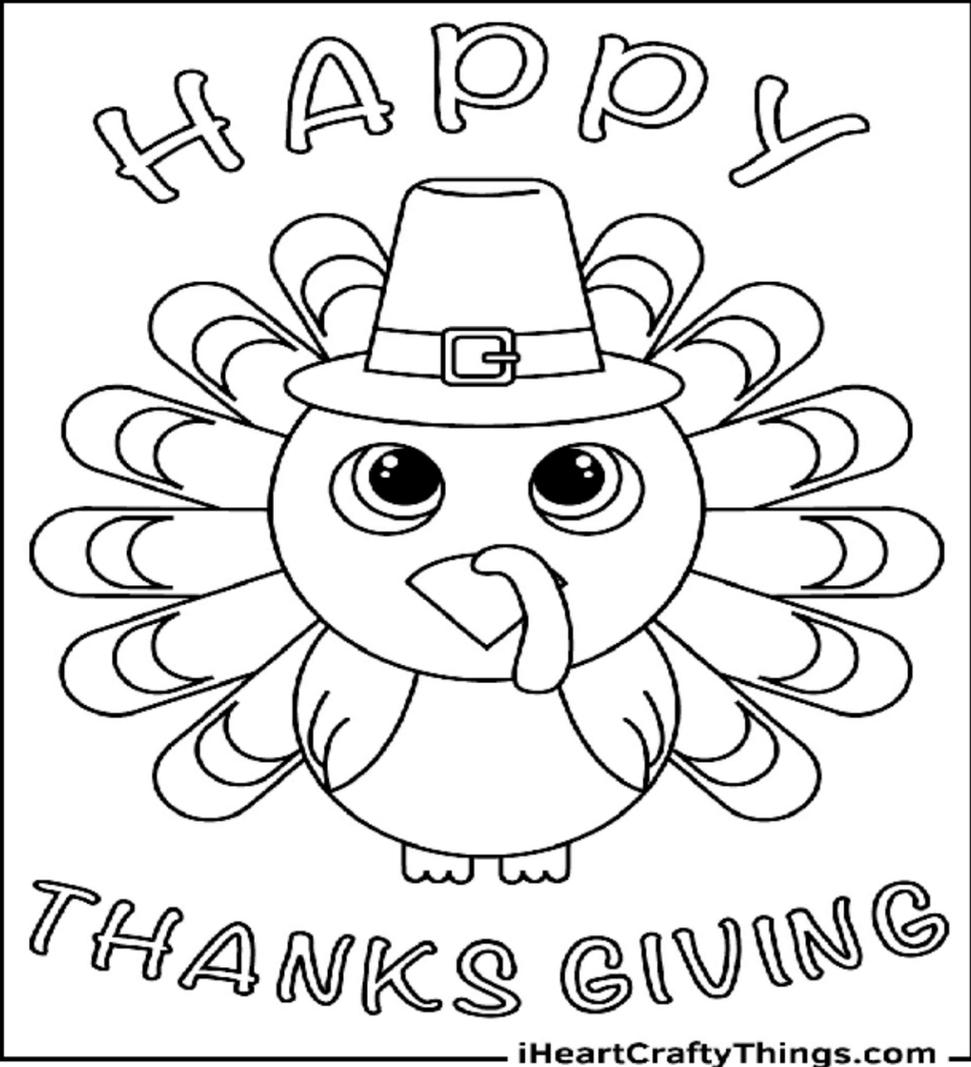
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **JAMES RAY MESTEPEY**, Deceased, were issued on **NOVEMBER 2, 2022**, in Cause No. **P19533**, pending in the County Court at Law of Orange County, Texas, to: **RUBY R. MESTEPEY**

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### CLASSIC TOYS

#### ACROSS

1. "\_\_\_ Wars" toys from Kenner in the '70s
5. "Certain toy G.I.
8. Miss America's accessory
12. Pot inhale
13. Morsel of Little Miss Muffet's meal
14. Private
15. Larger-than-life
16. Children's author \_\_\_ Blyton
17. Post-Its
18. \*Sticks and spools toy set
20. One of the Olsens
21. Gibson garnish
22. Middle-earth creature
23. Bias
26. Neat in appearance
30. Chasing game
31. Chancellor, in Europe
34. Not happening
35. Anomie, alt. sp.
37. Local area network
38. Re-attempt
39. Wyatt Earp's card game
40. Common parakeet, colloquially speaking
42. Snakelike fish
43. Not yet a wife

#### DOWN

1. Editor's mark
2. African antelope
3. Related
4. Suppse
5. Political club, in the olden days
6. Celestial hunter
7. Whirlpool
8. \*Sno-Cone, actually (2 words)
9. Opposed to
10. "As \_\_\_ on TV"
11. Retail posting acronym
13. Blood-red
14. Beginning of essay
19. "Dear Diary" bit

#### 23. "The Office" people, e.g.

24. Veranda on Oahu
25. Ancient Greece marketplace
26. "The \_\_\_ Show" (1976-1980)
27. Sacred song
28. White heron
29. \*Raggedy Ann or Strawberry Shortcake, tenderly
32. \*Professor Plum and Colonel Mustard game
33. Little bit
36. \*Avenues and rail roads game
38. Betty Ford Center, e.g.
40. Spelling contest
41. Superlative of icy
44. Edible herb
46. Quick and skillful
48. Specialty
49. Rose oil
50. Tropical edible root
51. Dwayne Johnson's 2022 role Black \_\_\_
52. Wooden slat
53. \_\_\_-China
54. Part of a traditional wedding cake
55. Greek Hs
56. \*Play-\_\_\_

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# Bobcat season ends in playoffs

DAN PERRINE  
For The Record

A wonderful season for the Orangefield football team came to an end on Friday night. The Bobcats lost 42-19 to the Cameron Yoemen at Freedom Field in the Alvin School District.

Orangefield (9-3) was trying to win an area round football playoff game for the first time in the school's history and concluded the season as bi-district champions. Cameron Yoe (9-3) with the win advances to the third round of the state playoffs.

The Yoemen used a short passing attack combined with an effective running game to control the clock which limited the Bobcats to just nine possessions on the night. Cameron scored six touchdowns out of the ten times it had the ball.

Credit needs to be given to the Yoemen defense for stopping the normally potent Orangefield running game. The Bobcats gained 162 yards on the ground against Cameron nearly three hundred yards less than what they picked up in their bi-district win over Shepherd last week. "I



Coach Josh Smalley thanks his Bobcats for their season of great play which ended with a loss to Cameron Yoe on Friday. RECORD PHOTO: Dan Perrine

at the twenty. Dischler was given the ball as if he were running a sweep to the right but pulled up and threw a perfect pass to a wide open Morgan Sampson in the end zone for the touchdown. Ty Butler's kick cut the Cameron lead to seven points with less than three minutes to play in the first half. Cameron showed its

versatility on offense using the run and the pass. Reyes gained 18 yards on the first play of the drive. Wilcox caught a 34-yard pass from Drake for the touchdown 40 seconds before half time.

The fourteen point advantage was extended to 21 as Cameron took the second half kickoff and marched 72 yards for another score. Kardarius Bradley relieved Reyes as the Yoemen's running back and gained 11 yards on three carries. Drake was four of five passing for 50 yards including the last 11 to Mayer for the touchdown.

Gavin Perry-Koci of the Bobcats returned the subsequent kickoff 82 yards to the Cameron 4. Perry-Koci scored on the next play but the point after was missed leaving Orangefield behind 28-13 with 8:44 to play in the third quarter.

It was more of the same from the Yoemen as they went 66 yards in eleven plays. Bradley got more involved carrying the ball five times for 28 yards. The duo of Drake and Mayer teamed up again for the touchdown this time from 21 yards to make the score 35-13 with just over three minutes left in the third quarter.

Twice the Bobcats moved the ball into Cameron territory. The first drive stalled at the 30 and the second ended when Bobcat quarterback Brayden Parker was intercepted by Wilcox.

The final nail in the Bobcats' coffin was added by Bradley when he found a seam in the Orangefield defense and sprinted through it for a 52-yard touchdown. The Bobcats used trickery again for their closing score as Parker passed about 10 yards to Kane Smith who then lateraled to Dischler who

"I'm just proud of this group of guys. The goal was a district championship, and to these kids' credit they worked hard and earned it so I'm really proud of that. I love these kids, I love their effort. I'm very proud of them no matter the outcome tonight."

think they played a lot better defense tonight against us than they've shown and that's a credit to their coaching staff and their kids," Coach Josh Smalley of Orangefield admitted after the game.

The Bobcats took the opening kickoff and punted after three plays. The Yoemen had great field position for the first of four times in the half starting a drive in Orangefield territory. A great defensive play by Orangefield's Koen Maddox stopped Yoemen running back Armando Reyes on a fourth-and-two to get the ball back to the Bobcats.

Another three-and-out gave Cameron the ball at the Orangefield 45. Yoemen quarterback Braylan Drake completed five passes resulting in three first downs and moving the ball to the eight. From there Drake completed a touchdown pass to Charlie Mayer. The kick was missed keeping the score 6-0 with 32 seconds left in the first quarter.

Orangefield was forced to punt after three plays again but the Yoemen's Landen Greene blocked the kick and Reyes returned the ball to the Bobcats' 11. From the pass pocket Drake could not find an open receiver and scrambled seven yards for a touchdown. Drake passed to Trayjen Wilcox for the two point conversion to put Cameron up 14-0 with 9:31 remaining in the second quarter.

For the first time Orangefield generated some offense on its ensuing possession. Cameron Dischler broke loose for 25 yards to the Yoemen's 44 yard line. Five straight carries by Dischler gained 25 more yards as the Bobcats reached the 19.

Two short gains were offset by a procedure penalty on Orangefield setting up fourth-and-eight



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# Eagles feel “brotherly hate” for Dallas Cowboys

**KAZ'S KORNER**  
**Joe Kazmar**  
**For The Record**

As the Dallas Cowboys surge and the NFC East Division-leading Philadelphia Eagles win by the skin of their teeth, it appears that a Christmas Eve showdown between the two teams at Jerry Jones' Palace looks like it should take place.

The Cowboys seem to have a thing for teams with only one loss (although I expect the Eagles to have more than just one loss by then) as they completely embarrassed Minnesota 40-3 Sunday afternoon in front of a sellout crowd of Vikings fans led by Dallas' twin running backs Tony Pollard and Ezekiel Elliott and quarterback Dak Prescott, who played flawlessly.

The Cowboys scored on their first seven possessions while the once-Doomsday Defense held the 8-1 Vikings to 183 total yards, their fewest since 2015. It was their biggest road victory in Cowboys franchise history as Minnesota dropped to 8-2.

Pollard led the onslaught with two touchdown catches and a career-high 189 yards from scrimmage, Elliott rushed for two scores and Prescott completed 22 of 25 passes for 276 yards, zero interceptions and the two Pollard touchdown catches.

In the meantime, former Channelview High School star Jalen Hurts needed to take matters into his own hands for the Eagles and scored on an eight-yard run with 1:20 remaining to edge past the hapless Indianapolis Colts 17-16 and stay two games ahead of Dallas in the East Division. And if there's one thing Philadelphia Eagles fans despise, it's the Dallas Cowboys.

And it started a long time ago when the Cowboys really were America's Team and Head Coach Tom Landry was placing Super Bowl rings on every finger of his right hand. Last month when the



Joe Kazmar

Eagles hosted Dallas and won 26-17 it was officially “Dallas Week” in Philadelphia and it was time to get your hate on.

The hate for Dallas lately has been replaced by the frustration of not winning a Super Bowl after getting so close in the Andy Reid era, according to a recent article in the Bleacher Report.

“But what is it about that team (Dallas) that incites Eagles fans so much? Today's Eagles fans probably don't know why they hate them—they just do. They learned from their fathers, uncles, brothers, grandfathers, friends, friends' relatives etc.—that if you are an Eagles fan, one of the requirements is to hate the Dallas Cowboys,” the article points out.

The hate began around 1967 when the Cowboys won 21 out of 23 games against the Eagles and went to five Super Bowls.

“The fact that they were constantly beating us, were a division rival and were getting all kinds of national acclaim must have made Eagles fans of that era want to go berserk. The Eagles have been around since 1933 and had three NFL Championships by 1960 when the Cowboys came into the league.

After that, winning went into hibernation,” the article confesses.

In the mid-1980's when Buddy Ryan was the Eagles head coach the rivalry really heated up. There were Bounty Bowls I and II, Buddy's Revenge, Jimmy Johnson getting pelted with snowballs, Michael Irvin's career-ending injury, Terrell Owens' Return and the 2009 back-to-back drubbings in Dallas.

“However, at times now it seems the rivalry is losing a little steam. Have Eagles fans gone soft on the Dallas hatred? If so, we need to make a list of re-

mindings why the hatred should live on in the hearts of Eagles fans.

“Why should we hate Dallas” Let's count the ways: 1. Their Arrogant Fans 2. The National Media 3. Their Owner Jerry Jones 4. Their Front-Running Followers 5. Their New Stadium 6. America's Team? 7. ‘How ‘Bout Dem Cowboys?!”

Perhaps their favorite song should be “Mommas, Don't Let Your Kids Grow Up To Be Cowboys”.

## KWICKIES...

The 1-8-1 Houston Texans are the only NFL team without a win at home. Back on Sept. 11 the Houston Chronicle sports staff predicted the team would win four games—with the Las Vegas Boys setting their over/under at 4 ½ victories.

It looks like those folks who bet the under will have some extra change in their pockets in January. Five wins are not possible to attain, even with future victories over the Cleveland Browns (Dec. 4), Jacksonville (Jan. 1) and Indianapolis (Jan. 8).

Georgia, Ohio State, Michigan and TCU are still the top four teams in this week's Associated Press Top 25 College Football Poll with Southern Cal up two marks to No. 5, LSU still No. 6, Clemson up two to No. 7, Alabama remaining at No. 8, Tennessee dropping four places to No. 9 and Oregon up two spots to No. 10. Tulane jumped up two spots to No. 19 and the Texas Longhorns rejoined the poll at No. 24.

Kansas City's three-point win over the LA Chargers Sunday night marked the Chiefs' fifth-straight win after trailing at the start of the fourth quarter. On the other

hand, it was the Chargers third straight loss after leading in the fourth period.

Golfing star Rory McIlroy, who went another year without winning a major tournament, finished Sunday as Europe's top-ranked golfer for the fourth time and became only the second player to win season titles on the PGA Tour and European tour.

After Budweiser consented to a \$75 million sponsorship with FIFA for the soccer World Cup Tournament that begins this week, hosting country Qatar removed sales points of beer in their new stadium just completed for the huge event. I think Bud needs to remove their money.

The Houston Astros did not offer a contract to often-injured reliever Josh James but tendered contracts to the eight other arbitration-eligible players—outfielder Kyle Tucker, utility man Mauricio Dubon, starters Framber Valdez, Cristian Javier and Jose Urquidy and relievers Ryne Stanek, Blake Taylor and Phil Maton.

James, who did not appear in a single major league game in 2022, was estimated to receive \$800,000 in the salary arbitration process.

## JUST BETWEEN US...

This is the time of the year when West Orange-Stark football fans would enjoy eating and shopping at the many stores and malls in the Houston area before watching their Mustangs play in the third or fourth round of the state football playoffs.

Thanks to certain folks sitting in their ivory towers in the Administration Building, those days are gone—perhaps forever!!!



Coach Josh Smalley and the Orangefield Bobcats huddle together at the conclusion of their game with Cameron Yoe. Smalley of the district champion Orangefield Bobcats is the Coach of the Year in District 10-3A

RECORD PHOTO: Dan Perrine



Orangefield Bobcat  
 Cameron Dischler  
 Co-MVP in District 10-3A



LCM Bears  
 Amier Washington  
 Co-MVP in District 10-3A

# Bears and Bobcats announce All-District players

**Dan Perrine**  
**For The Record**

The All-District selections for two Orange County high school football teams have been announced. Coach Eric Peevey with the Little Cypress Mauriceville Bears and Coach Josh Smalley for the Orangefield Bobcats announced which of their players have been so honored.

Topping the list of District 10-4A All-District Superlatives for the LCM Bears were Da'Marion Morris and Amier Washington. Morris was named

the Offensive MVP on the basis of his outstanding season leading the district in rushing yards and touchdowns scored. Washington at defensive end is the co-Defensive MVP as one of the leaders on the Bears' defense.

Another Bear defender getting special recognition is Jackson Smith as the Defensive Newcomer. The sophomore Smith was a top defensive back for LCM from his safety position.

The Bears had two players named to the 1st Team

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## 66th Toy Coffee Dec. 1 at Brown Estate in Orange

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## SPORTS SPOTLIGHT: Orange County girls basketball teams get seasons underway

### Lady Bears to be a contender

Another hopefully successful season is underway for the Little Cypress-Mauriceville Lady Bears basketball team. The Lady Bears are shooting to at least match their playoff run of last season.

Little Cypress-Mauriceville finished second place in district and then won two playoff games. The Lady Bears were defeated by Huffman in the third round of the state playoffs to end their season.

Coach Eddie Michalko indicated the Lady Bears really came together towards the end of the district schedule to play some quality basketball. "We had an infusion of some really good players at the end and the group I had up to that point was really starting to play pretty well for who they were. We really excelled at the end of the season. The girls played so hard I hated to see the season end," Michalko recalled.

Super sophomore Keylie Washburn returns for the Lady Bears. As a freshman Washburn pretty much did whatever Michalko needed her to do on the basketball floor.

Coming back are two seniors that will get a lot of playing time for the Lady Bears this year after sitting out last basketball season. Both Chrissy Joseph at center and Annabelle Fisher as a point guard played for Michalko a couple years ago. Michalko replied, "They haven't been on the court in a while but Chrissy's been in double figures the two games this year and she's just a beast on the boards. Belle has some of the quickest hands that I've seen. She's a motor out there."

Injuries kept senior Kenniya Champine off the court for much of last season for the Lady Bears. Coach Michalko said



Coach Eddie Michalko believes his LCM Lady Bears are working hard and should be ready to be a contender when the district games start in December.

Champine is healthy now, is much improved, and with her size she should contribute to the team in rebounding and defense.

Freshman Eden Frenzel is already starting for the Lady Bears and plays with so much confidence Michalko is amazed she is just a freshman. Mallory Russell also a freshman has a good outside shot. "Mallory just has to have a little faith in herself. Once that happens she'll be a top scorer for LCM. She already does a lot of the little things as far as going to get the basketball," Michalko pointed out.

Defense is an emphasis for Michalko, and this group of Lady Bears is responding to that. Michalko stated, "They've really in a matter of a very short time started to play defense really well together and that sets up everything else for us."

In the early games Little Cypress-Mauriceville played Legacy and Port Neches-Groves. Washburn scored 20 points in the first game and 25 in the second game. Joseph chipped in with 11 points against Legacy and 11 against the Lady Indians.

Michalko was very pleased with the defensive effort from the Lady Bears. Michalko recapped, "We held PNG to like 13 points for the game and we held Legacy to in the twenties. The girls are playing hard. Even when they make a mistake you can just see it they get them-

selves regenerated and work so hard to get the ball back. It's been fun so far."

The Lady Bears play in a very competitive district. Michalko believes any team can beat any other team on any given night. "Sometimes we've struggled with Lumberton or Vidor when their record might not be as good as ours, and winning a close game or at least being pushed. Then you play teams like Silsbee which has everybody back from last year. They're the team to beat in our district," Michalko predicted.

LCM should figure in the mix of playoff contenders. Michalko analyzed, "I really believe as far as with the group I have is that we're just really getting started. If we can stay healthy, which is a big thing, we can really become a very good team."

Developing a little more scoring on offense is one area the Lady Bears need to improve to challenge for a district championship this season. "I have Keylie and Chrissy and once I get a little more consistency out of the other girls we really will be a very good team. Defensively, every time we step out there we're getting a little better, a little better, that's all going in the right direction. We're actually even doing a better job on the boards this year which killed us last year. This group one thing they do is they do get along. Attitude is everything. You walk into our locker room you can see it. When one of the girls is not out there they're pulling for their teammates that are out there and they are putting the team ahead of themselves. As a coach if I can get that and can get good leadership we can accomplish just about anything," Michalko concluded.

The next couple of weeks will include tournaments in Evadale and Deweyville for the Lady Bears. Little Cypress-Mauriceville will open the district schedule against the West Orange-Stark Lady Mustangs on Friday, December 9, at the Dr. Pauline Colburn Hargrove

Gymnasium on the LCM high school campus.

### Lady Cards should rebound under Sterling



Coach Larry Sterling previously coached the boys at Bridge City five years ago and is now the head coach of the Lady Cardinals basketball program.

The Bridge City Lady Cardinals basketball team has a new head coach but it's a familiar face. Larry Sterling who previously coached the boys basketball team has returned to Bridge City to coach the girls.

Sterling coached the Bridge City boys for three years when the Cardinals had some success in basketball. He coached four years at Nederland before making a decision to return to Bridge City. "The administration here I think is in place that really wants to see athletics succeed that's one of the reasons I came back. The other reason is obviously I have some daughters in this school district, they are coming through the basketball program, and I want to be a part of their experience here," Sterling informed.

Last season the Lady Cardinals did not have the kind of season they wanted. Sterling re-

plied, "I told our kids this is a new day, it's a new time we're not going to look in the past and see about how things were in the past. We're going to build on today and look to the future. I'm excited about what can be if we continue to work and really pull together. My first year really is about changing the culture in the basketball program because we want to create a championship culture, how we do stuff, what our standards are, and how we go about our everyday business of working."

There are some building blocks which Sterling can start that successful basketball program with this season. Senior Morgan Louvier has started multiple years on the Bridge City girls' basketball team. She is expected to be a leader for the Lady Cardinals.

Four other ladies have varsity experience. Nicole Sasser, Whitney Cunningham, Kira Middleton are all sophomores with one year already on the varsity. Junior Rylynn Thornton is also back for the Lady Cardinals.

Sterling said he will lean on them for leadership too because they have been through the grind of a season. All the girls even the five with varsity experience will be learning a new system under Coach Sterling.

Thornton will start the season at the post position. Louvier is the point guard. Cunningham will be on the wing. "We have a variety of players with skill sets that are coming back. We're just trying to mesh everyone together, get them in the right position to be successful, and to show them what we emphasize is important to our culture," Sterling explained.

The freshman class is very talented for the Bridge City Lady Cardinals. The strength of those freshman girls is their depth. Five freshman Lady Cardinals will be on the varsity who will contribute to the team according to Sterling. "They all bring something kind of unique to our team, but we're excited about

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them as a whole group and what they can bring to our varsity mixed with our older kids," Sterling evaluated.

Makenna Knight is a top athlete good at multiple sports and will show her skill on the basketball court for the Lady Cardinals. Kaylee Britten is an experienced basketball player though just a freshman. Cambree LaComb comes off the Bridge City varsity volleyball team to contribute to the basketball team. Sterling commented, "They're very good athletes in general. They've been successful in other sports so they kind of know what it takes to win."

Another freshman is Kaley Nelson who will be seeing playing time at the post. Sterling praised her saying Nelson is very talented and has a bright future in basketball. Kennedy Campbell is the fifth freshman who plays the wing, loves basketball, has some height, and could be an important outside shooter for the Lady Cardinals.

After taking his new job as the girls' basketball coach at Bridge City Sterling expected it would take some time to turn the program around, it would not be an overnight prospect to build the quality program he wants. He wants to be patient but is pleased to report the Lady Cardinals are working hard.

In their early games the Bridge City Lady Cardinals were 2-1 with a 19-point win over Kirbyville that beat the Lady Cardinals last season and a decisive win against Sabine Pass. The lone loss was to the Class 5A Nederland Lady Bulldogs by five points a game in which two Lady Cardinals fouled out.

The outstanding success of the Bridge City volleyball team this year meant that the girls from that team only had two practices with the basketball team before they played in the game with Sabine Pass the week before the Thanksgiving break. "We're excited about having a whole group now and the more practice and playing time we get together I think they'll continue to grow and get better. Obviously, our goal is to be playing our best basketball once district hits," Sterling emphasized.

Coach Sterling expects his Lady Cardinals to contend with every district opponent. Sterling promised, "I expect our team to pressure the basketball. I've told the girls we want people to want to come see us play. We want to play a style of basketball that people want to watch. We're going to pressure the basketball, we're going to try to play fast. People want to come see girls that play hard, that dive on the floor, take charges, that play fast, so that's what we want to try to practice and immortalize each day."

The district starts for the Lady Cardinals on Friday, December 9, at Bridge City against the Jasper Lady Bulldogs. The district is expected to be very competitive this season.

Sterling is using his Lady Cardinals to catch him up on the various district opponents. "I know Silsbee has got a lot of very talented players back and a strong program in general. The same with LCM, they're on a good streak right now with a lot of talent coming through and are very well coached. I know Jasper has won their district two of the last three years in the district they are coming from. Lumberton's always a perennial playoff team and they have a lot of tradition in girls' basketball. Each night is a tough opponent. It's my job to get the Lady Cardinals ready to play so we play tough in practice so when we get to the game it's the same level of play. I want to get to the point where our girls want to compete in those big games. That's what I'm looking for win or lose they're not scared, they want the challenge, they want to compete against the best teams, and see where they stand. We look forward to the challenge," Sterling concluded.

## Lady Mustangs start season under Spell



Coach Jaden Spell is in her first season as the head coach of the West Orange-Stark Lady Mustangs basketball team and promises they will be competitive in the district this season.

"The girls could have done a lot better, it was just one of those years. All five starters for the Lady Mustangs were seniors so we've lost our whole starting lineup which is a big hit for our program," Spell admitted.

No returning starters is the downside

The West Orange-Stark Lady Mustangs basketball team has a new leader in Jaden Spell who is starting her first year as their head coach. Spell was an assistant coach last season and knows the girls she will have playing for her during the current campaign. The previous year was a difficult one for the Lady Mustangs.

but the good news is there are four Lady Mustangs who played on the varsity for West Orange-Stark who are back. Spell added, "We're young but we have a few juniors who are ready to take the reins and show everybody what they've got."

Jordynn Patton has played three years on varsity for the Lady Mustangs. "I'm looking for her to really contribute in big ways not only offensively but defensively as well," Spell replied.

Coach Spell is emphasizing a defensive mentality for the Lady Mustangs. Spell ex-

plained, "Our offense is our defense."

Another Lady Mustang with varsity experience is sophomore Carlysia Simien at point guard. "Carlysia is the heart of the team, she is what makes the team go. If she's having a good night we're having a good night," Spell stated.

At the number two guard position is Nathia Allison who will be counted on to be a scorer. Spell is looking for Allison to shoot the ball very well this season for the

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Orangefield Bobcat Jackson Humpalik Defensive MVP



LCM Bears Da'Marion Morris Offensive MVP

nals and the West Orange-Stark Mustangs will be announced when the last team in their District 9-4A is eliminated from the state football playoffs. Currently, the Silsbee Tigers and the Hamshire-Fannett Longhorns are still alive from that district going into the Thanksgiving Day weekend.



LCM Bears Jackson Smith Defensive Newcomer

All-District Offense and two more on the 1st Team Defense. Linemen Jan Nazario and Brady Wright were named to the first team on offense. Jarvis Riley the other defensive end for LCM and Morris at cornerback were picked to the defensive first team.

Honorees on the 2nd Team for Little Cypress-Mauriceville were Kyler Garlaska at wide receiver on offense, defensive lineman Jose Molina, and inside linebacker Luke McDow. Receiving Honorable Mention from the Bears were Jacob Pollock at both wide receiver and safety, Elijah Allison at wide receiver, Jordan Pollock at tight end, and Tucker Floyd at linebacker.

In District 10-3A the Or-

angefield Bobcats had three All-District Superlative representatives. Running back Cameron Dischler who was the district's leading rusher and scorer is the co-District MVP. The Defensive MVP went to defensive back Jackson Humpalik. Smalley of the district champion Bobcats is the Coach of the Year.

Being named to the 1st Team on offense were running back Gavin Perry-Koci, tackle Gavin Pollock, and guard Ethan Brown. On defense 1st Team selections were Koen Maddox in the defensive line, Leyton Loft at outside linebacker, and Kane Smith as a defensive back.

Seven Bobcats were named to the 2nd Team All-District roster. Quarterback Brayden Parker, fullback Case Singleton, and kicker Ty Butler made the list on offense. Defensive end Morgan Sampson, linebacker Kyle Michael, linebacker Lane Gipson, and freshman defensive back Mason Manning were on the second team defense. Honorable Mention went to offensive lineman Ethan Blackburn and outside linebacker Beau Elkins for the Bobcats.

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Lady Mustangs.

The fourth Lady Mustang with some varsity experience is Marilyn Guillory who is a transfer from DeRidder, Louisiana. Spell evaluated, "Marilynn is going to be another pivotal part of our offense as well as our defense. I have a solid core of seven but those are the four most important players."

Other young ladies will see playing time this season with the Lady Mustangs basketball team. The fifth starter or regular on the court for West Orange-Stark will be interchangeable between multiple players. "That's the energy spot. My fifth position is just an energy spot. The girls come in, they give their energy, they give what they've got, and then I'll roll in the next person, and I roll out the next person, it's a position I rotate players in to play," Spell described.

Junaiya Winston and Vernicia Collins are seniors who will see considerable playing time for the Lady Mustangs. A sophomore Trinaisja Burnom will be interchangeable with Winston and Collins in that energy spot.

Consistency is the goal early in the season for West Orange-Stark. Coach Spell analyzed, "Through three games we're very iffy, and some days we're on and some days we're off. We're trying to get consistent. It's a work in progressive, but when we are consistent we're unstoppable, hands down. When we're working on all cylinders it's a well-oiled machine."

A good night for the Lady Mustangs was their game with the Lady Bobcats on November 8 at Orangefield. "The Orangefield game was back and forth the whole game. I don't think either team led by more than three points. Our highlighted players in that game were Carlaysia Simien with 20 points and Jordynn Patton who had 6 points and she finished the night with 14 rebounds, 3 steals, and I think 3 blocks," Spell recapped. The Lady Mustangs won the close contest.

The first district game for West Orange-Stark will be December 9 against the Little Cypress-Mauriceville Lady Bears. Spell believes the Lady Bears are one of the preseason favorites to win the district along with the Silsbee Lady Tigers.

That said Spell is not counting out her own Lady Mustangs from being a contender. "I feel as though you should always set high goals, regardless if you reach them or not it's still a goal. I don't know any other

way to be, so I set high goals. I really think that we could win it. I'm going to put it out there that the Lady Mustangs have the opportunity to win a district championship," Spell concluded.

## Lady Bobcats have new coach and classification

Two important changes in the girls' basketball program at Orangefield go into effect this season. The Lady Bobcats have dropped in classification from 4A to 3A and they have a new head coach.



Coach Eric Girola takes over as the girls' basketball coach at Orangefield and expects to continue the excellent tradition the Lady Bobcat program has enjoyed.

Eric Girola comes to Orangefield from Buna where he was the Lady Cougars head coach the last 11 years. "When this job at Orangefield came open I decided to try something new, a new place, some new people, and so here I am," Girola replied.

Buna has been an annual opponent for Orangefield in girls' basketball so Girola knows the quality of the program he inherits. Girola elaborated, "I'm very familiar with Orangefield. I've looked at Orangefield as a really good team, and I have always admired the girls' program. I thought they've played really hard, they've been very disciplined, and they've had a great tradition from the Bill Tennison years to the present."

Girola added, "One of the biggest draws for me was knowing I wasn't necessarily having to build a program, but it was just keeping it going. If there are little ways to improve it let's improve what's been built."

Several returning Lady Bobcats will be available for Girola to build his team

around this season. Senior Jaylynn Alfaro will be a starting guard for Orangefield. Harleigh Rawls contributed strongly as a junior and is expected to be a major leader now as a senior.

Junior Greenlea Oldham will be a big part of Girola's game plan for the Lady Bobcats. Oldham will be a post and should be the top rebounder for the team. Three other returning juniors Sterling Richard, Brianna Moore, and Kaylea Gravett will see time on the court as guards.

The Lady Bobcats should be especially strong at the guard positions with the four returning girls from last season's squad. "Jaylynn, Sterling, Kaylea, and Brianna I'm really leaning on them to be defensive players. They've kind of already made the comment that's kind of their specialty or what they thrive at doing. Harleigh and Greenlea we'll probably need them to lead us in scoring, but I'm hoping those guards will gain some confidence so they can chip in as well offensively," Girola responded.

Backing up Oldham at the post is junior Ava Dyer. She is about as tall as Oldham which will give Orangefield some height under the basket when either one of the girls play.

The lone freshman is Brooklyn Wagoner on the varsity for the Lady Bobcats. Wagoner will provide more depth to the already quality back court at Orangefield.

Senior Alexis Maddox will have her first year on varsity and should contribute for

the Lady Bobcats. Junior Kennedy Thibodeaux is playing her first year on the varsity as well.

There may be some additions to the varsity as the season progresses. Girola explained, "There's a few girls that I'm looking at on the JV squad that hopefully if they can continue to get good minutes on junior varsity and develop I don't see why later on in the season maybe by district play we could pull them up, and they might be of some help for us too on the varsity."

The full varsity roster had only played two games and practiced together about three times by the second week of November. The success of the Orangefield volleyball team kept Kaylea Gravett, Brianna Moore, Harleigh Rawls, and Greenlea Oldham from working out with the other Lady Bobcats until then.

It has been a learning experience for the Lady Bobcats and for Coach Girola. "Everything's new. I know with me being new the kids are learning about me a little bit and I'm getting to learn about them, we're just trying to be patient and know it's going to take a little bit of time for us to kind of jell well and be on the same page," Girola stated.

After coming to Orangefield Coach Girola met with his two assistant coaches Ashlee Peevey and Emmi Michael who have been in Orangefield as players and

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now as coaches so they knew Girola's predecessor Jennifer Willis. Girola informed, "I didn't want to come in and change a whole lot of stuff if it was working. I really leaned on the assistant coaches

asking their opinion because I value their opinion. There's a few little changes and there's a few terminology things that may be a little different. My main concern is our attitude and our effort. If

we can handle those two things I think we'll be fine."

The Lady Bobcats lost their first game of the season to the West Orange-Stark Lady Mustangs on a last second shot. Girola indicated, "It was a tough way to lose it, but keeping things in perspective we had only one practice together as a team so I thought overall it was fine."

The second game was against Newton, and Orangefield had a really good second half defensively holding the Lady Eagles to just two points to win the game easily. "I think we kind of wore them out a little bit, and we just locked in a little bit better on defense," Girola recalled.

Prior to the Thanksgiving break the Orangefield Lady Bobcats will have three solid days of practice. Girola believes, "That is what we need because we just haven't had any

time together."

In preparation for the start of the district schedule on December 6 the Lady Bobcats played in the Nederland tournament where they got to play five games. The week of the Thanksgiving break Orangefield is scheduled to play two more games.

Coach Girola shared his expectations for the Lady Bobcats this season. "Obviously, we want to make the playoffs every year we want to extend the season, but I want to set the bar even higher.

I want us to be district champions and make some runs in the playoffs not just a one and done. We hope to get back to the regional tournament at some point that's always our goal.

As a coach my honest professional goal is I want to win a state championship. That's the goal. If we're not working towards that then why are we here," Girola concluded.

## Community Happenings

### 66th Annual Toy Coffee Dec. 1

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danced the last 36 yards down the right sideline shaking off three attempts to push him out of bounds.

Dischler was the leading rusher in the game with 134 yards on 22 carries. Two of the three Bobcat touchdowns came on passing plays, but Orangefield only completed 3 of 12 passes for 73 yards.

Cameron's Drake completed 19 of his 26 passes for 151 yards with four touchdowns and suffered one interception. Bradley led the Yoemen in rushing with 105 yards on 14 carries including his touchdown.

It was a sad ending to a

great season for the Orangefield Bobcats. Coach Smalley responded, "I'm just proud of this group of guys. We had the target put on our backs last February when the UIL dropped us in classification to 3A. The expectations went up and the goal was a district championship, and to these kids' credit they worked hard and earned it so I'm really proud of that. I love these kids, I love their effort, I appreciate them, I appreciate the coaching staff, I'm very proud of them no matter the outcome tonight."

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