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County checks on FEMA checks

DAVE ROGERS
For The Record

The purse strings are getting tight in Orange County as everyone runs to the mailbox to see if the FEMA check has arrived.

Want the good news? Joel Ardoin, the county's emergency management coordinator, informed County Commissioners that he'd been told a \$10 million check for the federal reimbursement from 2020's Hurricane Laura expenses would arrive "in three to seven days."

And that was only eight days ago. After 2017's Hurricane Harvey, Ardoin got a lot of assurances "the check will be there in two weeks" that turned out to be months and months.

The county is still waiting on some Harvey money. But the mood at Tuesday's meeting of the Commissioners Court was hopeful.

Especially for Operations Director Kurt Guidry, whose request for an additional \$100,000 to pay his department's bills for the final six

months of the fiscal year was tabled.

"At this point, you'd have to tell me where to magically find it," County Auditor Pennee Schmitt replied when County Judge John Gothia asked if there was an extra \$100-K in the bank.

Guidry had earlier explained that he needed \$21,733 to fix a broken chiller in the data room of the County Emergency Operations Center at the Expo Center.

The Commissioners made it clear they needed every contingency covered in the event that the 2022 hurricane season, which begins in June, is more like 2020, when we were hit by back-to-back Hurricanes Laura and Delta, than 2021, when the storms missed us.

"We've got to go ahead and do this," Commissioner Johnny Trahan said of the chiller repair, as the four-member court voted to go forward there.

Not winning immediate

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Corps, OC host levee open houses

DAVE ROGERS
For The Record

A series of public open houses are set for three dates in late April to inform the public of the progress of the Orange County Project of the Sabine to Galveston Coastal Storm Risk Management levee system.

The U.S. Army Corp of Engineers and Orange County are hosting the events.

The first will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 26 at the Bridge City Community Center, 105 Parkside Dr., Bridge City.

The second will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 28 at American Legion Post 49, 108 Green Ave., Orange.

The final open house will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 30 at the Orange County Convention and Expo Center, 11475 FM 1442, Orange.

The Corps of Engineers has put up a new project webpage: <https://www.swg.usace.army.mil/S2G/OrangeCounty/> with a mixture

of old and updated information about the project.

A tease for the public meetings back in March promised an updated map of the 27-mile combination of earthen levees and concrete floodwalls that skirts along the Sabine and Neches River floodplain from I-10 north of downtown Orange south around Bridge City and ends just below FM 105, also known as Orangefield Road.

But the Corps has pointed out both on its webpage and on a new video linked to that page that the final alignment of the new levees, floodwalls and gates has not been determined yet.

"The exact location of future levees, floodwalls, gates, and pump stations is still in the design phase and will be communicated as the project progresses," the page states.

As of Monday, the levee alignment available on the Internet is from 2017.

The primary goal of the Orange County Coastal Storm Risk Management

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The latest in the long line of BC's standouts with that family name, Carpenter, Caryss Carpenter ran the 100-meter hurdles in an area-best time of 14.69 at the Cardinal Relays. Caryss won her district gold medal in the high jump as a freshman, clearing 5-6 at Lumberton. She has led the area in both events (100-meter hurdles and high jump) as of Apr. 10 and won three gold medals Monday at the start of the 22-4A meet in Lumberton. In Photo Above: Caryss Carpenter and BC Coach Jamie Minner DeShazo celebrate their accomplishments. Photo Courtesy Tom Halliburton

Chief David Frenzel honored with plaza

MARGARET TOAL
For The Record

Orange's Central Fire Station isn't facing Elm Avenue now. It's along Chief David Frenzel Plaza.

The renaming of that section of the street was announced this past Friday during a reception-retirement party for Fire Chief Frenzel, who is ending his career on April 19, 53 years after he started in the department on April 19, 1969.

It wasn't his only honor. Greg Gravett with the local firefighters union showed artist renditions of a future tribute to Frenzel to be placed outside Central Station. The front pays tribute to the longtime chief, while the back lists donors: Sichko Family, Stark Foundation, Walter Riedel, Mary McKenna, Orange Professional Fire Fighters Association Local 1432, and Warren Claybar.

In addition, a shadow box with memorabilia from Frenzel's career was designed and given to Frenzel and his wife of 45 years, Hildy. The box included the "key to the city" the Orange City Council presented him on his 50th anniversary with the department.

Speakers included Ken Kreger, chief of the Conroe Fire Department, who began



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his career in Orange and worked his way up to deputy chief before leaving for Conroe. Other former deputy chiefs attending included Jerry Ziller, now a fire safety manager with Exxon Phillips in Orange, and Lee Anne Brown, who recently retired to go to an industrial safety job.

Fire Marshal John Bilbo, who will be acting chief, talked about Frenzel needing a new key to his office. He said Frenzel is the only person he knows who works so much that he has worn out his office key. Bilbo said when he arrives at work at

7:30 in the morning, Frenzel is already at work, and the chief stays late.

Last week, the chief came to work in the morning to find the key to his office in the new Central Station, which opened 10 years ago. Frenzel oversaw the construction of the new station to replace the one that flooded during Hurricane Ike in 2008.

Also, people talked about Frenzel's dedication to the local Boy Scouts and his years as a troop leader. During those years, Frenzel oversaw 75 boys earn Eagle Scout honors.

Frenzel considers one of his major accomplishments getting the city's Insurance Services Office (ISO) rate to Class 2. He has estimated the high rating saves city homeowners an average of \$100-\$200 a year on fire insurance. The rating is based on things like firefighter training, distance from fire hydrants, water pressure, and condition of equipment.

Orange has the only paid, fulltime professional fire department in Orange County. The department eliminated volunteers in 1960.

When Frenzel started in 1969, he said he had no training. He had been going to Lamar Tech (Lamar University) and sometimes hung around the fire station talking to friends. Chief Vertis Sands called him on a Thursday and asked if he wanted to join the department on Saturday as an emergency hire.

Frenzel has talked about going to get Dickey work shirts and pants at a local department store and showing up for work. He was given a bunker coat and helmet, and told to jump on a truck if an alarm came.

"It was all on-the-job training," he said.

Now, firefighters have extensive training classes and all kinds of modern equipment. No more riding on the back of the truck hanging

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State sets up way for school boards to approve library materials

MARGARET TOAL
For The Record

Upcoming school board elections may have a new importance for parents and students in the future as the state begins to allow the boards to oversee all school library acquisitions.

On Monday, Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath introduced a proposed state policy for school boards to adopt that will set up criteria for selecting and keeping school library materials. The proposed policy was written after Governor Greg Abbott requested more community and parental involvement in what students read.

The proposed policy applies only to school library books and not classroom textbooks.

The policy includes a way for a district committee to be established to handle complaints about library materials.

The Bridge City ISD and the West Orange-Cove CISD have contested board races on May 7 with early voting to start April 25. The Little Cypress-Mauriceville CISD canceled its election because of no contested races. The Orangefield ISD has board elections in November.

Commissioner Morath's seven-page proposed policy will be sent to all public school districts in Texas and

the boards will have the option to vote on adopting the policies. Each year school boards vote on several new or rewritten state-suggested policies.

The move comes after parental complaints across the state about some books being "obscene" or "pornographic."

The proposed policy on library selections involves all new materials being approved by the school board. The policy points out that a 1982 court ruling that set law says "no challenged instructional resource shall be removed solely because of the ideas expressed within."

Any school district that adopts the policy will make

the selection process for new library materials, including graphic novels, available for parents to review. The district will also have a list of all library materials available posted on its website. A parent will be able to schedule a meeting to review specific materials. The meeting will be scheduled during reasonable hours.

The district's library supervisor (most districts have at least one librarian with a master's degree in library science), or another designated administrator, will recommend new selections to buy for campus libraries. The selections will be "based on their own expertise" plus recommendations from oth-

ers. The proposed policy sets this criteria for each library item:

1. Support and enrich the curriculum and/or students' personal interests and learning;
2. Meet high standards in literary, artistic, and aesthetic quality; technical aspects; and physical format;
3. Be appropriate for the subject area and for the age, intellectual development, and ability level of the students for whom the materials are selected;
4. For non-fiction resources, incorporate accurate and authentic factual content from authoritative sources;
5. Earn favorable reviews

in standard reviewing sources and/or favorable recommendations based on preview and examination of materials by professional personnel;

6. Balance cost with need. A list of all new library material purchase requests will be given to the superintendent to give to the board at least 30 days before the board meeting set to approve the acquisitions.

If an individual board member has a question about specific titles on the list, they contact the superintendent at least 15 days before the board meeting.

"The Superintendent or

LIBRARY MATERIALS Page 3A

Straining Gnats and Swallowing Camels

Carl Parker
Columnist For The Record

We have all heard the phrase: "swallowing camels while straining gnats." Generally, the phrase is applied to persons we designate as hypocrites. It seems to me; however, the phrase can be appropriately applied to our current lieutenant governor, Dan (Danny Scott Goeb) Patrick.

Texas is faced with several giant problems which it seems our state leaders and legislators have been unable to adequately address. Some of these include voting, health care, adequate provision for dependent and abused children and a looming teacher shortage brought about by too many teachers leaving the field.

For several years Texas has been ordered by the federal courts to make adequate care facilities and treatment available for children who are left without parents or have been objects of abuse. Stories abound where dependent and neglected children have been forced



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to spend the night in the offices of social workers for lack of other adequate care facilities as well as being subjected to abusive environments. This has gone unchecked for several legislative sessions of the Legislature.

Ever since passage of the Affordable Care Act Texas has refused to take advantage of the opportunity of accepting billions of dollars for health care, despite Texas trail-

ing almost every other state in the union in availability of health care.

Because of the huge number of our highway patrolmen being stationed at the border, there is a dramatic increase in highway deaths.

It has been reported that an inordinate number of teachers have decided to not return to teaching as a profession. Most for a

lack of adequate pay and benefits, others simply because well-educated teachers can easily find better and more lucrative elsewhere.

With all these issues on his plate, why on earth would our lieutenant governor proclaim his number one priority in the coming session of the Legislature will be dealing with who uses what restroom.

Dixon announces candidacy for BC Council

The following is a political statement issued by Sherby Dixon:



Dixon

My name is Sherby Dixon, and I am running for Council member for the Bridge City City Council Place 6. I am requesting your vote in the upcoming city election on Saturday, May 7.

It would be my pleasure to serve the community I was born and raised in. Thank you to all of my neighbors and friends who have encouraged me to run for council. I am truly humbled by the support, which motivates me to do whatever I can for our community. I will be proud to serve beside the current men and women on the council that have been instrumental in completing many city goals.

My wife and I have four children: Letisha Dixon Curl, Desiree' Dixon Theriot, Maegan Dixon Stanley, and Todd Dixon, who all graduated from Bridge City High School as well as my wife and I. We have eight grandchildren and one is currently attending the elementary school with most of the rest set to attend BCISD.

I have coached our children in various Little League sports. I volunteer with CASA of the Sabine Neches Region (child advocacy program). I have volunteered in the past with the Friends of the Bridge City Public Library; I was a board member of the Cardinal Athletic Booster Club and was a volunteer with the Bridge City Historical Society. My wife, Cil, and I attend Commonground Community

Church in Bridge City where we volunteer and attend Life Group Bible Study.

I retired in 2020 after 40 years of service with Bridge City ISD and my wife, Cecilia (Cil) is currently the athletic director's assistant for our school district. As a supervisor with the district, I feel this experience makes me uniquely and better qualified to be a council member. I have decided to dedicate my time working with the city council to improve our community.

If elected I will work hard for the citizens and continue projects that were begun by others. I feel we are going to be able to come up with innovative solutions to some of the problems our city has faced in the past. I have seen Bridge City grow in the 64 years that I have lived here, and would like to see more family-oriented events. In addition, I would like to acknowledge our hard working small business owners and encourage you to shop local! In the recent past, our city has seen its share of natural disasters etc. Because we are a close-knit community our citizens came together to help one another and get Bridge City back on track in a remarkable amount of time. All of these things make me feel very fortunate to live here.

I believe as a citizen of Bridge City I can make a difference, and I would like the opportunity to give back to my community. After sharing with you who I am, what my values are and what I stand for. I hope that you have a better sense of who I am and feel good about your vote on May 7. Early voting is April 25 to May 3.

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County FEMA From Page 1

approval was an expense to set up a second backup generator for the Expo Center. "We'll put this back on the agenda April 24 if you find out they can install it by July 1," Gothia said.

Ditto for \$55,000 Guidry says he needs to ensure redundancy for all the pumps inside the building, so there's no shutdown at go-time.

Guidry said skyrocketing prices and supply chain issues resulted in paying higher-than-expected rates to do repairs to county property this year. And the summer and fall months, normally the busiest for his department, are still to come.

"Joel, you need to check that mailbox again," Gothia said.

Orange County paid about \$14 million to have debris cleaned up and hauled away after Hurricane Laura ripped through the county with winds in excess of 100 mph in August of 2020.

FEMA has agreed to reimburse 75 percent of those costs – or about \$10 million.

Corey Oldbury, the county engineer and head of the Road & Bridge Department, had mixed news in his report.

He said he's been told that the county's current fuel providers say they'll honor the current contract.

But he pointed out the county had already used 50 percent of its annual allotment of gas at the lower price and will have to pay significantly higher prices once the cheaper fuel is gone.

"The next six months will be bad," he predicted, "because that's when we use most of the fuel."

Oldbury said prices for the limestone rock the county uses for road resurfacing are going up 15 percent in July. Commissioners urged him to stockpile as much of the pre-price-hike rock as possible.

The county engineer also offered an update on the swing bridge on East Roundbunch Road, a popular shortcut between Bridge City and Chemical Row.

A repeating electrical malfunction that kept the bridge from closing completely and created a hazard for motorists has returned now that the Texas Department of Transportation has officially handed ownership of the bridge to the county.

"The swing bridge operated 31 times last month, about once a day," Oldbury reported, "but it broke about three or four times."

"Last night, it stopped about two inches short of closing. So we used a ratchet strap to 'redneck' close it."

Thankfully, the bridge came with a 12-month warranty.

"It's interesting, but not really fun," Oldbury said. "By the end of next February, it's going to start costing us money. That's when the warranty runs out."

County Veterans Officer Mark Hammer reported a Veterans Standdown is scheduled for May 20 at the Expo Center.

Levee open houses From Page 1

project is to enhance energy security and commerce by relieving storm surge and risk to local petrochemical facilities and protecting waterways used both for commercial and recreational purposes, the video said.

The Corps of Engineers, working with assistance from the Orange County Drainage District and contractors Stantec and Jacobs, is in the preconstruction and engineering phase of the project.

Construction is scheduled to begin in 2024 and be complete by 2028.

The \$2.4 billion Orange County Project is one of three projects associated with a \$26 billion system of giant floodgates built between Bolivar Peninsula and Galveston Is-

land to protect the Houston Ship Channel from catastrophic storm surge events.

Besides Orange County, where the levee system will be built from scratch, improvements are being made to existing levees and floodgates in Jefferson and Brazoria counties.

The Orange County plans posted on the Corps webpage in March show 15.6 miles of new levee 12 to 17.5 feet tall, 10.7 miles of floodwalls 13.5 to 16 feet tall with 56 drainage structures, 32 closure gates across roads and railways and two navigable sector gates, one each in Adams Bayou and Cow Bayou, to reduce surge penetration.

Library materials From Page 1

designee shall then contact the district-level library supervisor to obtain copies of professional reviews of any library material in question. If so desired, the board member can obtain a copy of the library material from another source," the policy reads.

The board will then vote on the purchase list of materials and trustees may voice their objections and rationale for not including a book or publication. After the board votes on the list, the list will be used to then check off

the materials on arrival to assure nothing else goes into a school library.

Parents of students, or any resident of the school district, may formally challenge materials in a school library. The district will schedule a meeting between the complainant and superintendent or designated staff representative.

The district will be able to set up a committee to review formal complaints about library materials.

Chief Frenzel honored From Page 1

onto a bar. The fire trucks won't start until the crew has seat belts on.

Frenzel worked at city fire stations that have been closed, like the one at Tenth and Burton, and the one on MacArthur Drive that was next to Lions City Park. The stations on Allie Payne Road and Martin Luther King Jr. Drive were built in the years after he joined the department.

He said he worked with 11 city councils plus 12 mayors "and got along with all of them." He's reported to three different city managers in his 25 years as chief.

Frenzel even met his wife at the fire department. When Hildy was in high school, she participated in the city's "work-creation" program that gave high school students summer jobs working with city departments. Hildy was assigned in 1975 to help the fire department's

secretary. They started dating when she was in college and married in 1978.

"Thank God for giving me Hildy," he said. His voice choked a bit when he talked about his family and how his job often took him away from them.

The Frenzels have two grown sons, Dave and Adam. Both were valedictorians of their graduating classes at West Orange-Stark High. Dave and his wife have three sons. Adam and his wife had a daughter and a son.

Frenzel told the crowd he plans to spend a lot more time with his grandchildren when his retirement begins. Both families live in the Houston area within a couple of hours' drive. But the kids may be spending more time in Orange this summer because grandfather and grandmother installed a backyard swimming pool a couple of years ago.

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From The Creaux's Nest

EASTER PRAYERS FOR UKRAINE

The celebration of Holy Week in the Christian Faith, has only brought death and destruction to the people of Ukraine by Russia. Putin is outright murdering civilians for no reason, a debt that someday he should have to pay for. It's cruel and inhumane, executions of men and raping of women and little girls, in full view of their families. Our prayers during this Easter season is for victory for the Ukrainian people. The mayor of the Ukrainian port city of Mariupol said Monday that more than 10,000 civilians have died in the Russian siege of his city and that the death toll could surpass 20,000, with corpses that were "carpeted through the streets." With their offensive in many parts of the country thwarted, Russian forces have relied increasingly on bombarding cities, a strategy that has left many urban areas flattened and killed thousands of people. Russian forces brought mobile cremation equipment to Mariupol to dispose of the bodies. Russian forces have taken many bodies to a huge shopping center where there are storage facilities and refrigerators. "Mobile crematoriums have arrived in the form of trucks; You open it, and there is a pipe inside and these bodies are burned," the mayor said. Meanwhile, the U.N. children's agency said that nearly two-thirds of all Ukrainian children have fled their homes in the six weeks since Russia's invasion began. The United Nations has verified that 142 children have been killed and 229 injured, though the actual numbers are most likely higher.

CONDOLENCES

We were sorry to learn of the death of Attorney Larry Hunter, age 69, who passed away Sunday, April 10. Memorial service will be held at First Baptist Church in Vidor, Friday, April 15. We had known Larry, a Vidor resident, since he married Luther Smith's daughter Becky. Larry first went into practice with B.E. Wharton, then he and Buddie Hahn formed the Hahn and Hunter Law Firm. After Buddie became District Judge, Larry and a young lawyer, Courtney Burch, teamed up. Courtney, an Orangefield native, was appointed 128 District Judge, Larry joined Provost Umphrey and then became a partner in the Ferguson Law Firm until his death. I understand Larry had double bi-pass heart surgery and that compilations set in afterward with gall bladder and other problems. Larry was one of the good guys. I never knew anyone who didn't like him. That's not always the case with lawyers. I once mistook him for District Attorney John Kimbrough and when I apologized he said, "That's okay, you could have done a lot worse." Our condolences to his family and friends. May he rest in peace. Please see obituary.

TURNING BACK THE HANDS OF TIME 15 Years Ago-2007

Last week we visited about cool fronts at Easter time. Well, this Easter Sunday morning has exceeded all expectations. Not just locally but throughout the country, new low records were set. The old time and temperature on Texas Avenue at Roundbunch shows 3:11 a.m. It's late an hour, it's really passed the 4:00 a.m. hour. The temperature shows 38 degrees as a slow rain falls. Two weeks into spring and Easter, it's more like Christmas. The wind has died down. Some sleet fell, mostly in the Mauriceville area, with snow flakes north of there. Folks were building snowmen in Lubbock and President Bush is having a white Easter at the ranch in Crawford. I tune into Buddy Johnson's 'Sunday in the Country' radio show. He plays great Southern Gospel music. I tune in to Rev. Leo's 'Christ Has Risen' sermon in his 30-minute radio spot. ****Fourth Iraqi Anniversary. For most Americans, the Iraq war seems never ending. They see it as just another series of never-ending deployments. The latest is the deployment of 12,000 members of the National Guard. These people know this is a possibility when they signed up. However, they are not the mainstream professional army. They have families, longtime jobs, obligations, kids in school and college, house notes, car notes and debts they are not prepared to leave behind without destroying family structure. Some will die in Iraq, many will be maimed, divorce will run rampant because of the pressures of being away for a year's deployment. President George Bush's approval rating has dropped to 29 percent, the lowest ever of any president. ****CNN's Paula Zahn has been fooling around with ContiGroup CEO Paul Fribourg. She and husband, real estate mogul Richard Cohen, are headed to divorce court. ****Christie Brinkley has filed for divorce from Pete Cook and has put her oceanfront Long Island home up for sale. Eight million is the move in price. ****Whitney Houston was granted a divorce and custody of 14-year-old daughter from Rantipole Bobby Brown. ****It's going to be a boy for Mary Cheney. The no-papa baby will probably carry the Cheney name. ****CNN, on April 19, will move John Roberts to co-host on American Morning with new FOX recruit Kiren Chetry. ****Our buddy Calvin 'Cal' Broussard will celebrate his 69th birthday April 12. He shares that date with David Letterman, who will be 60. Cal has lived an interesting life, from boxer to lover, from policeman to the pioneering of cable television and ship captain. Cal, a compassionate guy, does many humanitarian things that benefit others. He's solid, and will do to ride the range with. The Wednesday Lunch Bunch

will help him celebrate his birthday at Van Choate's Tuffy's, 12 noon on Wednesday. (Editor's note: Cal died several years ago****The fabulous Boogie Kings, owned by Roy's classmate and Abbeville native Ned Theall, has a brand new album out. The Boogie Kings had decided to retire when a Beaumont backer talked them into recording another album. They revamped the group, 'The New Breed,' is a brand new band. Under the leadership of Theall, Allen Wayne, Gregg Martinez and Mark Klein, the Boogie Kings are stronger than ever before and their new recording will be a big seller. (Editor's note: Theall died a few years ago. I haven't heard anything about the Boogie Kings. Are they still around? **** Hubert Spradling brought his Llama to Charlie Wickersham's birthday party at David Self Ford last week. Sprad's pet scooted around the show room like he was on skates and just learning. ****Don Imus apologized Friday for calling the Rutgers women's basketball team, "Nappy headed hos." He also described them as tattooed rough girls. He admitted his statement was thoughtless and stupid. (Editor's note: Don Imus retired and has since died.)

45 Years Ago-1977

Texas Gov. Dolph Briscoe has designated the week of April 24 through 30 as Gumbo Cook-Off Week in Texas. He encourages Texans to participate in the second annual International Gumbo Cook-Off in Orange. Thousands of people, from Texas and Louisiana are expected. A caravan made up of Bridge City Chamber members and headed by 'Boss Cajun' W.T. Oliver, toured South Louisiana towns. Sharon Self, secretary of the Chamber, kept notes of the caravan through South Louisiana to New Orleans. Here are a few: Robert Nelson's Japanese Cadillac ran hot over 55 miles per hour. He stayed lost. Ken Wyatt performed at the 500 Club on Bourbon St. Roy Dunn was mostly interested in the hog cracklins at the Esterwood stop. All he asked was to fill his pockets. Stanley, drove the Lone Star Beer 'Love Machine.' Harold Self and Earl Bishop spent most of the trip working on the 'Boss Cajun's' CB radio. Father Luminais, of Bridge City, Louisiana, gave the crew a tour of the French Quarter, where everyone seemed to know him. Billy Weisman's mother commissioned him to watch his dad, Bill. All night long Billy kept saying, "Where's dad, damn he was here just a while ago." Dr. Mark Messer, B.C. Chamber president, led the crash on New Orleans' television station, Channel 6. The Texans appeared on air to promote the Gumbo Cook-Off. All the folks on the caravan paid their own expenses and the wives kept the guys straight. ****Lewis and Nancy Gay have recently purchased the exclusive Ritz Hotel in Palm Springs, California. ****Howard's Big Red Pantry holds grand opening. The store, owned by the Howard Morse family, will be managed by Bill Townes. The 12,000 sq. ft. store was designed by Warren Sheer engineering. The store also has gas pumps and will be open 24-hours a day. ****Average pay for all Major League baseball players is \$95,000 per man. Joe Morgan, Mike Schmidt and Gary Matthews make in-the-neighborhood of \$400,000, Pete Rose, \$350,000, Steve Garvey, \$333,000. Some players make the minimum of \$19,000. ****Mark Dunn publishes a story on 19-year-old Bobby Hoosier, who was burned March 8, on an oil rig in the Gulf, 180 miles from the mainland. The two-part manuscript is very touching as Bobby hangs to life in a Galveston burn unit. ****Larry David is elected president of Orange Evening Lions Club; John Cochran elected first vice-president, O.C. Gunstream, Jr. second vice-president.

50 Years Ago-1972

Gordon Dunn, who was appointed county commissioner, Pct. 2, when Allen Peveto was forced to resign due to health reasons, has endorsed Dunn for his election to a full term. ****We were sorry to learn that Charles Frederick lost his 15 year old son in a drowning accident over the weekend. ****Asa Mansfield is running for re-election as county commissioner Pct. 3. ****Floyd DeRoche is running for Orange County tax collector. ****Charlie Dyer and Fain Holbrook are store managers for Morrow's Appliances with two locations, 206 Border and 2507 MacArthur. ****Larry Bergeron is store manager of McLaurys, 1800 Strickland, Orange. ****Stephen Burg is a candidate for county attorney as is assistant district attorney Jim Sharon Bearden. ****C.F. Tinsley, 59, is a candidate for constable of Pct. 3. ****Forest Hudson, age 37, Precinct 1 constable is seeking re-election. ****Dolph Briscoe, candidate for governor of Texas, is having a big barbecue party at the DERA grounds, April 19. The public is invited. ****Lynn Wallace is a candidate for county commissioner, Pct. 1. His motto is "The only candidate who is not a politician." ****G.L. 'Red' Garrett says keeping a secret from your wife is like trying to smuggle daylight past a rooster. ****Billy Garrett is store manager of Wiltshire's, 505 Green Ave. ****Wayne Peveto, candidate for state representative, runs a political ad with he and brothers Marion and Glen and an old mule 'Wayne' which appears to be around two years old and looks like he needs to wee-wee. A very unique picture.

A FEW HAPPENINGS

City government, county schools, banks and most businesses will be shut down for Good Friday, making for a three day Easter holiday. City halls will be closed for Good Friday and West Orange offices will also be closed on Monday. Garbage Pickup: Orange, Bridge City, and West Orange will have regular garbage pickup on Friday. Pinehurst has pickup only on Tuesdays and will not be affected. ****Over the last few years, until COVID came along, I always got a big chocolate rabbit from Marlene Merritt. I didn't get one last year and probably won't this Easter. When the kids were all young, they always got nice, big baskets full of stuff. Mom always had a basket for me. Then we went through the grandchildren, all grown and gone with children of their own. I miss not being around them holiday mornings like Easter, Christmas, etc. Only one of the great-grandchildren lives locally, the rest, nine youngsters, are scattered from Houston to Massachusetts. ****About the time I had about given up on getting deer sausage this year, my buddy Bryan Thi-beaux came through with sausage and a back strap. He killed the deer on his place at Zavalla. Judge Chad Jenkins, who makes his own sausage didn't deer hunt this winter, however, he says he will put up pork sausage as soon as he can get Ms. Windi to help him. I'll check on that this week. ****The chances of getting a few tomatoes are looking better. Judge Derry Dunn has a raised garden that shows a lot of promise. Derry is Municipal Judge at Pinehurst and holds court on Tuesday and Thursday. If he makes a crop city hall is not far from our office. Jane is still

teaching, Derry is on the LCM school board plus he attends high school sports so they are both staying active. ****I spoke with former commissioner Owen Burton who says he mostly stays at home these days but Nelda is still enjoying teaching. Owen has planted ten tomato plants, cut back from 30 to 40. He says his plants are loaded with flowers but even his brother Tom has retired from gardening. I haven't heard if Berry will have a garden this year. If any of you make a good garden this season tell us so we can let the readers know that there are still successful gardeners around. ****A few folks we know celebrating birthdays in the next few days. April 13: This is a special day for Connie Angelle, Jo Ann Collins, Kaylin Abshire, Virginia Fox, Gene Ballard, Dawn Mason and Bruce Peveto. ****April 14: Celebrating birthdays today are Sambo Carpenter, Stephen Gault, Coach Phillip Elmore, Reatha Bradberry, Kasie Moerbe and Christy Swanson. Also on this day the greatest baseball player of all time not to be in the Hall of Fame, Pete Rose, turns 81 today. ****April 15: On this day in 1939, in the wee hours of the morning, former school teacher, lawyer, former state representative and rancher Wayne Peveto was born. A great guy who did to ride the range with. I recall some great, fun days during his campaigns 50 or so years ago. Also Happy Birthday to pretty Linda Claybar, Shani Lawson, Coach Debbie Aarons and Jaclyn Eickenhorst. ****April 16: Happy Birthday to David Hock, born on this day, was a member of the first Bridge City City Council. Also Happy Birthday to Kirby Ridley Cruse, who we have known all of her life. An interesting lady who came from a most interesting family. ****April 17: Today is Easter, "Resurrection of the Lord." Celebrating birthdays are Cheryl Puentes, Ronnie Hayman, Janice Todora, Shelby Bickhom and Kaylie Byrd. ****April 18: Happy Birthday to Megan Waguespack and Grant Mott. ****April 19: Mr. Bridge City Bill Nickum celebrates a birthday today. Also celebrating are Orange City Councilman David Bailey, Barbara Sarver, Dustin Gibbs, Cheryl Patterson, Shirley Bonnin and Mandi Nugent. ****A nice guy stopped by the office in Orange but I didn't get to visit with him in person, only by phone. His name is David Odegar, a native of Lake Charles, who raised his family in the Orange area. He says he enjoys Down Life's Highway column plus the stuff from Out of the Past that we do in this column. In fact, he had high praise for all our writers as do I. They are really doing a good job. Did you know more Orange Countains read The Record than all other publications combined.

CELEBRITY BIRTHDAYS

April 13: Actors Ron Periman, 72; Allison Williams, 34; R&B Singer Al Green, 76. ****April 14: Country Singer Loretta Lynn, 89; Baseball Player Pete Rose, 81; Actors Sarah Michelle Gellar, 44 and Adrian Brody, 48. ****April 15: Country Music Singer Chris Stapleton, 43; Actors Emma Watson, 31; Seth Rogen, 39 and Emma Thompson, 62. ****April 16: Football Coach Bill Belichick, 69; Actors Martin Lawrence, 56 and Jon Cryer, 56. ****April 17: Actors Jennifer Garner, 49; Olivia Hussey, 70; Sean Bean, 62 and Luke Mitchell, 36. ****April 18: Ventriloquist Jeff Dunham, 59; TV Host Conan O'Brien, 58; Actor James Woods, 74. ****April 19: Actors James Franco, 43; Kate Hudson, 42; Ashley Judd, 53 and Jesse James, 52.

CAJUN STORY OF THE WEEK

Una Mae, a beautiful, shapely woman from Lafayette, was in Opelousas to visit her elderly aunt when she stopped by Tee-Boy's Bar & Grill. Dartez, da bartender him, couldn't keep his eyes off dat gorgeous woman. After awhile, Una Mae gestured alluring to Dartez. He quick-stepped it to her at da end of da bar. She seductively signaled dat he should bring his face closer to hers. As he did, Una Mae gently caressed his full beard. "Are you da manager?" she axed, softly stroking his face with boat hands. "No," he answered, "Me, I'm Dartez, da bartender, da best in Luzianna." "Tee-Boy, him, is da owner," he told her. Una Mae axed, "Can you get him for me?" "I need to talk to him," she said, running her hands beyond his beard and into his hair. "I'm afraid I can't," Dartez, breathing heavily answered. "Is dere something I can do for you?" "Yes, I need for you to give him a message," she said, while she continued running her forefinger across Dartez's lips and popping a couple of her fingers into his mouth." "Wat should I tell him me?" Dartez managed to say. "Tell him," she whispered in her sexist voice, "Dat dere's no toilet paper, hand soap or paper towels in da ladies bash room."

C'EST TOUT

Family Gardens Went by Way of the Old Folks

I recall just a few years ago most all of the old timers had spring and fall gardens. Tomatoes were always plentiful. People who read our paper always brought vegetables by the office, usually enough to share among the staff. I got to thinking about that. Why is it different today? I have found that today very few men under 70 years old plant gardens like the old guys did. The entire family used to help with the gardens. The reason most people moved to Bridge City before 1970 was to be able to have a cow, a few chickens and a big garden without city restrictions. Most home sites had large lots and often people bought two or three lots to build their homes on. Even today old home sites have big lots. I recall men like Mayo LeBlanc, Lou Gerriga, Tom Brooks and others, who planted half-acre gardens and raised big crops that they shared. In the summertime places like Orangefield, West Orange, Cove, always had plenty of home gardens. People who are in their 80's or 90's or those that are gone now, were raised in a different era, they grew gardens to help ends meet and feed the family. Now days, most people who have a garden do it as a hobby or pastime. Local fresh garden vegetables can only be found at the Farmer's Market and there are few of them, mostly country folks who have truck farms. I'm afraid we will never again see home gardens as common place. Young couples mostly are not into growing anything, not even flowering plants. My late friend Neighbor Cox always had a nice garden that kept us supplied with fresh food. A couple of years ago, while blowing leaves on his driveway, Cox stumbled, fell and broke his neck. I've missed him every day and the fun we shared with him and Ms. Ginny and that garden. The times are changing and those that have will never return. Gardens at least are a great, healthy experience that all the family can share. More young couples should try it. If nothing else, just to see if you have a green thumb. ****Thanks for staying the course. Be sure to check out Roy's Down Life's Hwy. column on our website, therecordlive.com. Take care, God bless and Happy Easter.

Deaths & Memorials

Larry Charles Hunter, 69, Vidor

Larry Charles Hunter, 69, passed from this life into the grace of God our father with his wife and two children, their spouses and grandchildren at his side in the early morning hours of Sunday, April 10, 2022 at Baptist Hospital Beaumont.

He was born on July 8, 1952 in Texarkana, Texas and was a lifelong resident of Vidor.

Larry graduated from Vidor High School in 1970, Lamar University in 1973 and The University of Houston Law School in 1976.

He married Becky Jean Smith in 1974. He started his law practice alongside B.E. Wharton, then partnered with Buddy Hahn at Hahn & Hunter, followed by a sole practice at Law Offices of Larry C. Hunter, partnered with Courtney Burch at Hunter Burch, LLP, followed by a partnership at Provost Umphrey Law Firm and then a partnership at Ferguson Law firm up until his death.

He had the honor and privilege of being a part of a case argued in front of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Larry was involved in his community, in legal circles, and most of all with his family. As an attorney, he had the privilege of helping many clients with all their legal needs and any who suffered from injuries. Many were already good friends or became friends after meeting with him.

He loved the law and loved being an attorney and felt honored to help people. Larry had a strong sense of justice and strived to secure it for his clients. Larry's friends joked about how often he would tell them how much he loved his wife, especially after a scotch or two, his favorite beverage.

He loved his children and grandchildren to the max, always assuring them the latest toys



Larry Hunter

and gadgets. Larry's life was full. He worked hard and traveled to many interesting destinations. He loved good food and great scenery. From scuba diving to snow skiing to motorcycling riding, hunting and fishing, he did it all with his family and friends. His motto was always "Work Hard, Play Hard".

He will be mourned by his many close friends, as well as his loving family.

Larry was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Dorothy Hunter, his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Luther and Er-cell Smith.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Becky Hunter, his daughter, Melissa Hunter Ashlin and her husband Grant Ashlin, and his son, Grant Hunter and his wife Catherine Hunter, his sister Janet Cooksley and husband Robert Cooksley, sister-in-law Kathy Woods and husband Ronnie Woods, as well as his grandchildren, Madison Hunter, Taft Hunter, Reid Ashlin and Rhett Ashlin, and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Memorial service will be held at First Baptist Church in Vidor on Friday, April 15, 2022 at 10:00am with visitation beginning at 9am with Reverend Terry Wright and Reverend Patrick Miller officiating.

His family would like to publicly thank Dr. Leldon Sweet, Dr. Michael Smith, Dr. Michael Oszczakiewicz, Dr. Stevens, Dr. Dean and all of the ICU staff at Baptist Hospital for the excellent medical care given to Larry during his short hospital stay.

Most of all, they would like to thank their loving extended family and friends for the outpouring of love and support during this most difficult time. They feel blessed for the time they had with their loving husband, father and grandfather "YaYa".

Eco-Fest and Butterfly Release Sat., April 23

Staff Report For The Record

Each year in April, Shangri La Botanical Gardens and Nature Center celebrates Earth Day with an Eco-Fest celebration and Butterfly Release. Join us for a celebration that signifies what Shangri La Gardens is all about. Family friendly activities and games will take place on Saturday April 23rd from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with multiple inspirational Butterfly Releases at 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 3:00 p.m. Local and regional organizations and businesses will be on-site hosting booths that provide information about

earth-friendly products, services, and opportunities. Games, activities, engaging presentations, and live music provide entertainment for the whole family. Enjoy the gardens in full bloom and view baby birds in their nests on Ruby Lake. Strolls through the garden provide relaxing escapes from the hustle and bustle. Join us to revel in the beauty of the garden and celebrate mother earth!

Shangri La Gardens, located at 2111 W. Park Avenue in Orange, Texas, and is open Tuesday - Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. For more information, visit shangrilagardens.org.

Peggy Prosperie candidate for school board

The following is a political statement by Peggy Prosperie, Bridge City school board candidate:



Prosperie

Hello, I am Peggy Prosperie. I am running for BCISD School Board of Trustees, Place 3. I come from generations of teachers, and have a high regard for teachers! I want to be a voice for the hard-working citizens and families who are struggling financially these days between Covid and inflation.

We moved here 23 years ago to raise our children in a safe community with safe schools. Our three children graduated from Bridge City.

The School Board of Trustees' job is to manage the operations of the district. That includes being fiscally responsible with the citizen's tax dollars. I am concerned about the financial decisions the School Board has made with the surplus funds since 2014. The School Board is well-intended, but they seem to be focused on extra-curricular activities before the needs of the schools. In 2014, the School Board felt that an Arts Theater was most needed. Before both bond proposals, 2019 and now, they spent millions on the prestigious turf fields, \$2.2

million on the Baseball Complex in 2019, and now \$3.1 million plus interest on the football field and other athletics. I question the safety of turf fields. Playing ball on grass fields has been done for decades.

The School Board did add a wing to the Intermediate in 2017 for \$1.5 million. The Elementary addition could have been built in 2019 for \$2.5 million instead of the baseball complex. If that would have been done, there would not be the expense of 2 rental portable buildings at the Elementary.

I am a true conservative who believes that the needs of the schools should always come first. The Middle School is a solid, functioning building with plenty of room. Each classroom has wi-fi, and we have great teachers! All buildings need regular maintenance and repairs. A band hall and CTE shop class can be built on the right side of the Middle School if necessary.

This would be much more feasible than the current bond proposal of \$57.7 million plus \$39.1 million for interest, \$96.8 million total, that our children and grandchildren will have to pay for 30 years! BCISD's current debt service is \$19.5 Million total. For questions or concerns, email me at: helpinghands@gt.rr.com.

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MAKE THE MOST OF HOLY WEEK

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In one sense, there's nothing special about "Holy Week." Just another sequence of eight days each spring — nothing is intrinsically holy about this Sunday to Sunday that moves around the calendar each year.

We have no mandate from Jesus or his apostles to mark these days for particular observance. Paul, for one, would be quite happy for us to partake, or not. "One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind" (Romans 14:5).

Clearly, the celebration should not be pressed upon the conscience of others. "Let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath" (Colossians 2:16).

Opportunity, Not Obligation

Celebrating Holy Week is not an obligation, but it is an opportunity. It is a chance to walk with the church, throughout time and throughout the world, as she walks with her Bridegroom through the most important week in the history of the world. It is a chance to focus our minds on, and seek to intensify our affections for, the most important and timeless of realities.

While not mandating the observance, or even suggesting it, the New Testament does give us indirect reason, if we're looking for it. The fi-



nal eight of Matthew's 28 chapters are given to this one week, along with the last six of Mark's sixteen and the final six of Luke's 24.

Most significant, though, is John. Ten of the Gospel's 21 chapters — essentially half — deal with the final week of our Lord's life, his betrayal, his trials, his crucifixion, and his triumphant resurrection. Even Acts, which then narrates the life of the early church, returns to the events of Holy Week with frequency (see, for instance, Acts 1:15-19; 2:22-36; 3:11-26; 4:8-12, 24-28, among others).

Indeed, it could even be said that all the Old Testament anticipates this week, and the rest of the New Testament reflects it in theology and practical living.

Seize the Week

Without any arm-twisting or conscience-pressing, I would encourage you to consider how you might make the most of this week. These are some of the darkest and brightest days in the history of the world, and they are rich with soul-sustaining food and life-clarifying vision.

In the chaos of our increasingly fast-paced and hectic society, Holy Week is a reminder to pause and ponder, to carefully mark each day and not let this greatest of all weeks fly by us like every other.

Perhaps pick a time each day — alone or with family or housemates — to slow down and savor what was happening during the Passion week some two thousands years ago. Consider

reading through a Holy Week devotional — or even better, one (or a couple) of the Passion narratives from the Gospels:

- Matthew 21-28
- Mark 11-16
- Luke 19-24
- John 12-21

Block out several minutes. Find a comfortable place to sit. Seek to quiet your soul, and pray that God would meet you in the events and significance of this week. And spend a few moments in prayer after you read and turn the truth Godward in adoration of Christ. Receive this week with thanksgiving, and make it holy by the word of God and prayer (1 Timothy 4:5).

You may want to make it memorable with candles or

some other special flair. If your church, or another in town, does a Maundy Thursday or Good Friday service, that presents another opportunity.

A Prayer for Passion Week

If you'd like a specific biblical text to serve as a prayer charter for this week, here's what I'm asking for myself and my family: that God would make the prayer of Ephesians 3:16-19 increasingly true of us this Holy Week — that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith — that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Jesus's step-by-step journey to Golgotha is a glowing

revelation of the extent of his love. He loved us "to the uttermost" (John 13:1) in going all the way to the cross for us, with every bruise, every puncture, and throb and stab of pain. And it is during Holy Week that we see most profoundly how deep the Father's love for us. "God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

May God make this to be for you a week of being newly grounded in the love of Christ, so plainly on display from the resolve of Palm Sunday, to the ultimate sacrifice of Good Friday, to the triumph of Easter Sunday. And may you freshly know the love of Christ, in all its breadth and length and height and depth — and wonder upon wonder, be filled with all the fullness of God.

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LCM Bears wins thriller, OC district action heating up

OC SPORTS BEAT
DAN PERRINE
For The Record

The Little Cypress-Mauriceville Bears won maybe their most important game of the last three seasons under Coach Hunter Hagler with a thrilling 6-5 comeback victory in eight innings over the Lumberton Raiders. The win snapped a three game losing streak and kept the Bears in sole possession of fourth place. The game was played on Saturday instead of Friday night because of a shortage of umpires available to call the game.



Dan Perrine

The Raiders took a 5-1 lead after fourth innings using two booming homeruns by first baseman Cannon Faulk in the second and fourth innings. The Bears' comeback started in the fifth. Parker Seago singled to start the rally, and Pierce Brown followed with a double down the left field line. Reid Peco singled both of them home to cut the Lumberton lead to two runs.

Cameron Bilbo hit a solo homerun to begin the bottom of the sixth to make the score 5-4 in favor of the Raiders. LCM tied the game in the seventh and had the potential winning run thrown out at home plate on an inning ending double play fly ball to center field hit by Bilbo.

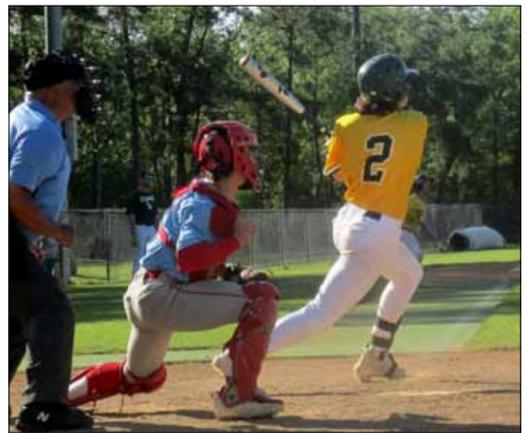
In the eighth Brown drew a one-out walk. After Brown stole second Marco Bandiero also walked. Brown and Bandiero pulled off a double steal to move the winning run ninety feet away. Dean Reynolds delivered the win-

ning blow when he lined a hit to right field to score Brown as the Bears swarmed onto the field to celebrate their titillating triumph. Bandiero was the winning pitcher throwing three shutout innings in relief of starter Peco. The coach needed to catch his breath commenting on the dramatic turn of events

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LCM's Dean Reynolds smashes the game winning hit in the Bears' 6-5 win over Lumberton on Saturday

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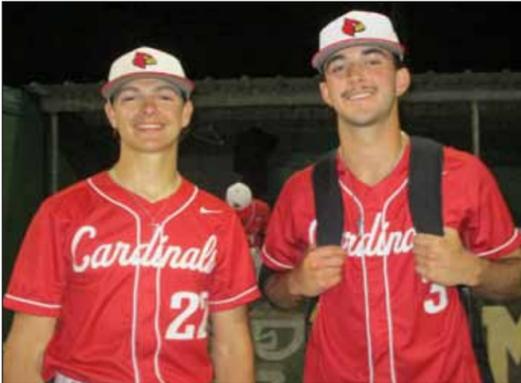
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Pierce Brown scores the winning run as the Bears begin to swarm on to the field to congratulate Dean Reynolds and celebrate their win over the Lumberton Raiders.



The Bridge City Cardinals have won all four district games with the duo of catcher Justin Abate and Ethan Ocegüera as the starting pitcher. RECORD PHOTOS: Dan Perrine

for Little Cypress-Mauriceville. Hagler gasped, "I can't explain what that win has meant to me and especially these kids. These kids picked me up this week with this one. I can't even explain it, but they picked me up in a big way. As a guy that knows what these kids do every single day and what they put into it every single day and how tight and close that we're growing every single day this was a huge one, this was a huge one!"

The Orangefield Bobcats took sole possession of first place in the local district baseball race last week. The Bobcats won their sixth straight game to gain the top spot all alone.

At the halfway point of the District 22-4A baseball schedule there was a three-way tie for first place. The Orangefield Bobcats, the Bridge City Cardinals, and the Silsbee Tigers all had 5-1 records atop the standings.

The three district leaders were perfect against the other four teams in the district

while each suffered their lone loss at the hands of one of the other top three. The Bobcats lost to the Tigers in the district opener, the Cardinals were shutout by the Bobcats in their second game, and the Cardinals handed the Tigers their only loss in the third game.

Friday night, April 8, that changed with the start of the second half of district games. Orangefield beat Silsbee 8-1, and Bridge City lost 10-0 to the Vidor Pirates. Coach Tim Erickson of the Bobcats analyzed the win that put Orangefield by itself in first place. "I thought we had some good at bats today. We had all week to get ready for the Tigers. It was good to see the Bobcats come out and take what we worked on in practice into a ball game," Erickson replied.

The Bobcats opened the scoring in the bottom of the first inning. Kameryn Henderson scored on a bunt single by Tyler Shearin that the Tigers made a bad throw allowing him to come all the

way home from second base.

Three more Orangefield runs crossed the plate in the second. Shearin and Kyle Michael both drove in runs that inning.

After Silsbee scored its only run of the game in the fifth, the Bobcats scored two in the bottom half of the inning. Brennon Lecoq walked to start the fifth and went to third on a single by Rusten Traxler before scoring on a force out by Macoy Marze. Another Silsbee error scored pinch runner Camden Fountain.

The Bobcats added two more in the sixth as Michael got the rally going with a leadoff single and scored on Kolbie Sowell's triple to right field. Jason Bodin hit a grounder to first base to bring home Sowell with the final run.

The starting Bobcat pitcher was Bodin who shutout the Tigers for four innings striking out nine batters. Bodin gave up a leadoff hit to Silsbee in the fifth and was relieved by Coop Longron. The lone Tiger run was charged to Bodin who was credited with the victory for Orangefield.

Erickson recognized the excellent fielding and strong pitching by the Bobcats in the win. "The defense was great. Sowell made some great plays at third. Second game in a row for us being error free, that's a big deal in district ball games. We're going to be counting on Bodin just like we have Eaves and Coop for so long, so it was good to see him come out and have a quality start, and then Coop came in and shut the door," Erickson reminded.

Bridge City moved into the tie for first place with a 4-0 win at Little Cypress-Mauriceville over the Bears on Tuesday, April 5. Silsbee beat the Vidor Pirates 4-1 that same night as Orangefield had a bye.

Ethan Ocegüera for the Cardinals pitched maybe his best game so far in the district schedule tossing five and a third shutout innings striking out nine Bears to get the win on the mound. Bridge City has won all four district games started by Ocegüera with Ethan being

credited with the win in three of them.

Bull pen specialist Landon Reeves closed out the win for the Cardinals. Reeves faced retired all five batters he faced striking out four of them.

Coach Chad Landry saluted Ocegüera and Reeves for their work on the mound. "Another tight ball game, another well pitched performance from Ethan and Landon. We only had one walk on the night which is huge for us, and they competed well," Landry praised.

Leadoff batter John Van Huis got Bridge City on the board in the third inning scoring the first run of the game from third base with two outs when a third strike eluded the LCM catcher and allowed JS Bearden to reach base.

Two more Cardinals crossed the plate in the third to take a 3-0 lead. Aidyn

Mulhollan had an important sacrifice fly to drive in one of the runs.

The Cardinals closed out the scoring in the sixth inning. JT Fielder got a one out single and an out later Brice Swanton tripled to the right field fence to score hustling pinch runner Hutch Bearden.

Dean Reynolds was the starting pitcher for Little Cypress-Mauriceville. He pitched until Swanton's triple knocked in the fourth Cardinal run in the sixth which was really the only earned run he allowed. "Dean definitely threw well enough to win," LCM Coach Hagler admitted.

Reynolds was also the Bears' best hitter with lead-off doubles in the second and fourth innings. He was left stranded in both innings. Reid Peco singled to start the sixth and got as far

as third before Reeves struck out two Bear batters to foil the threat. It was the third straight loss for the Bears

Things did not go nearly as well for Bridge City on Friday at Vidor. The Pirates scored four runs in the first and four more in the second to open up an eight run margin over the Cardinals. Two runs in the fourth and Pirate pitcher Reagan Hallmark finished his shutout to give Vidor a 10-0 win in five innings.

The West Orange-Stark Mustangs remained winless in district and on the season. Lumberton beat the Mustangs 25-0 in the only game West Orange-Stark played last week.

The Bridge City Lady Cardinals continued to fly high remaining undefeated in district with two more wins

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MLB season finally begins with several altercations

KAZ'S KORNER
Joe Kazmar
For The Record



Joe Kazmar

Major League baseball fans were relieved last month after the billionaire owners and the millionaire players agreed on the money aspect of the game and decided to start the 2022 season only one week late--and that was last week.

Many of those fans who swore during the strike they'd never see the inside of another major league ball park again were seen standing for the national anthem at most of the stadiums last week for the season openers.

Although everything looked the same for the new season, there were several changes made--some quite apparent while others were not.

Major League Baseball announced after the 99-day owners' lock-out that they like the "ghost runner" idea that was tried during the pandemic-shortened 2020 season and will utilize that discrepancy of "real" baseball this season.

This will occur only if the game is tied after the regulation nine innings and the 10th inning will begin with a runner on second base in an attempt to shorten the extra-inning game. This "ghost runner" idea will occur every half inning until the winning run scores.

Another new feature will be the "Shohei Ohtani Rule" in its new protocols with the Universal Designated Hitter in both leagues now.

If the starting pitcher is also hitting in the lineup--like Ohtani does for the Los Angeles Angels--he can remain in the game as the DH even if he's pulled out of the game as the starting pitcher.

During this month of April, rosters will be expanded to 28 players and then revert back to 26 the first of May.

And instead of two seven-inning games that were used for doubleheaders two years ago, MLB will revert back to the traditional two nine-inning games like it has always been.

The post-season will be expanded to 12 teams with a best-of-three wild card series, followed by the division series, league championship series and the World Series.

Several pitchers are now wearing electronic wristbands to receive their signals for the catcher instead of the painted fingernails.

Another change after more than 100 years occurred when the American League franchise in Cleveland opened the season as the Guardians instead of the long-standing Indians.

And as far as our Houston Astros are concerned during the first four games against the Los Angeles Angels, they don't appear to miss shortstop Carlos Correa in the least.

That's because young Jeremy Pena, who is playing for the first time at the major league level, is making all the defensive plays, and as a bonus, he's has a .375 batting average, including a homer and a few RBIs.

After an off-day Monday, the 3-1 Astros moved to Arizona to play the 1-3 Diamondbacks last night. They conclude this 12-day road trip with their first home game on Monday against the Angels.

Many Preseason Prognosticators felt like Houston and Atlanta would end up playing each other in the World Series again this fall--EXCEPT USA Today Sports Weekly, the publication to which I subscribe.

Six of the seven staffers pick the Astros to win the AL West Division, except the one who chose the Angels, which

is probably right.

The same was true for Atlanta, with six writers picking the Braves with the lone dissenter choosing the Phillies.

Two staffers picked Houston to win the division series while a whopping five had the Toronto Blue Jays to win the conference championship and play in the World Series with the other two choosing the Chicago White Sox.

One writer picked Atlanta to get into the World Series while four picked the LA Dodgers and the Milwaukee Brewers and the San Diego Padres each got one vote.

The Braves did get one vote to win the World Series while the Dodgers garnered three votes, with the Brewers, Padres and Blue Jays each getting one.

KWICKIES...It's difficult to understand the how's and why's of the accident that snuffed out the life of Pittsburgh Steelers' quarterback Dwayne Haskins last weekend. He was hit by a dump truck while trying to cross the westbound lanes of IH-595 in South Florida. Why was he walking? Had he been drinking? Nevertheless, he suffered a tragic death before even competing for the Steeler's quarterbacking job left vacant by the retirement of

Ben Rethlisberger.

Closer to home, the Houston Texans have signed wide receiver Brandin Cooks to a two-year contract extension. The 29-year-old Cooks is by far the most talented premier offensive skill player on the Texans' roster.

It was strange watching the Masters on television last weekend that the No. 1 golfer in the world, Scottie Scheffler, would be playing before fewer than 100 fans on the course while Tiger Woods was on the other side of the course with more than 10,000 followers. Scheffler easily won the green jacket by three strokes, despite a four-putt double bogey on the 72nd hole while Tiger limped around the course, finishing the four days 13 over par. Perhaps those Masters fans following Tiger were afraid this may be the last time to see him in Augusta, although Tiger promised in a post-tourney interview that he plans on playing in July at the British Open at St. Andrews.

Scheffler has won four PGA Tour tournaments in his last six starts with new caddy Ted Scott, who had been Bubba Watson's caddy for many years. Bubba played all last season with a hurt wrist and was not happy with his performances and decided to change several things, including his caddy, who "retired" after the change was made. When Scheffler found

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Harleigh Rawls, far left, of the Orangefield Lady Bobcats is congratulated by teammates after hitting a first inning homerun against Silsbee. RECORD PHOTO: Dan Perrine

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last week. The Lady Cardinals led second place Little Cypress-Mauriceville by two games in the standings.

Bridge City opened the week with a 4-2 win against cross-county rival the Little Cypress-Mauriceville Lady Bears. The district leading Lady Cardinals had just a one game lead over LCM when the game began.

Starting pitcher Cami Shugart for the Lady Bears was pulled from the circle in their last game because of soreness on her right side. LCM Coach Dena Adkins switched positions for Shugart with her shortstop Jacelyn Cook in this game against the Lady Cardinals to help Shugart rest the sore muscles in her side.

Bridge City hopped on Cook for two runs in the first inning. Kaylyn Dosch singled, stole second, and got to third on a wild pitch. Makenna Carey walked before Marlie Strong grounded to second base to drive in Dosch with the first run.

A ground out by Brooklyn Drodody moved Carey to third. Carson Fall drew a walk and courtesy runner Lysie Barg stole second. Nicole Sasser hit a grounder to short that Shugart fielded and attempted to tag Barg running past her. The umpire said no tag was made and Shugart's throw to first to retire the speedy Sasser was not in time allowing Carey to score the second Lady Cardinal run of the in-

ning. What turned out to be very important insurance runs for Bridge City came home in the fifth. With one out Carey reached on an error and Strong singled. Drodody laid down a bunt and a wild throw to first scored both Carey and Strong to give the Lady Cardinals a 4-0 lead.

Carson Fall had pitched impressive shutouts in her last three games for Bridge City. Fall started like she was going to make it four in a row. She got through the first six innings yielding only a walk to Keylie Washburn in the second, a bunt single

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Makenna Carey and Marlie Strong of the Bridge City Lady Cardinals have been leaders to keep them undefeated in district and in first place. **RECORD PHOTOS: Dan Perrine**

to Cook in the fourth, and Ella Stephenson reached on an error in the fifth for the Lady Bears.

Washburn opened the bottom of the seventh with a single. Lexis Moss reached on an error and then stole second base to put runners at second and third with no outs.

Ansley Moore hit a fly to center as Washburn tagged up and scored breaking the shutout while Moss also moved to third. Stephenson put a bunt down that brought Moss home with a second Lady Bear run cutting the

Bridge City lead to just two.

Fall finished the inning with her sixteenth strikeout to end the game. "Carson is a perfectionist. She's so hard on herself. She did a good job early on and every now and again we're going to have a couple bad innings for sure," Lady Cardinal Coach Raven Harris explained.

Coach Adkins was proud of the effort shown by the Lady Bears in the seventh. "That's what I told my girls at the end. I was proud of the fight they still had left in them, they never got down, never got discouraged, they



LCM pitcher Cami Shugart returned to the circle after recovering from a sore side as the second place Lady Bears beat the third place Lumberton Lady Raiders.

knew they were facing a very good pitcher in Carson Fall, but they never gave up," Adkins commended.

The week's second win was more impressive for Bridge City as it blasted the Lady Pirates 12-0 in Vidor. Fall pitched the shutout for the Lady Cardinals striking out 12 batters in just five innings.

The hitting stars for the Lady Cardinals included Kaylyn Dosch smacking three hits with three runs batted in, Makenna Carey slapping three hits accounting for three runs, and Hannah Murchison collecting two hits resulting in three runs. The win clinched at least a playoff berth for Bridge City with finishing in first place still the primary goal.

The Lady Bears bounced back from their loss to the

Lady Cardinals with a huge 7-2 win at home against the third place Lumberton Lady Raiders. The victory keeps LCM just two games behind first place Bridge City and extended the Lady Bears' lead to two games over the Lady Raiders.

Good news for the Lady Bears was the return of Cami Shugart to the circle as their starting pitcher. Shugart pitched a complete game against Lumberton after being moved to shortstop in the previous game to help relax sore muscles in her side.

Shugart also delivered at the plate with two hits including a triple. Lexis Moss

smashed two doubles and Ansley Moore had two hits while collecting two runs batted in for the Lady Bears.

The woes for the Orangefield Lady Bobcats continued on Friday. The Silsbee Lady Tigers came to Orangefield and beat the Lady Bobcats 6-5 for only the Lady Tigers' second win in district. The loss was the third straight for Orangefield.

The game came down to the final inning with Orangefield leading 3-2 and two outs. Three straight hits, an error, and another hit resulted in four Lady Tigers' runs and them taking a 6-3 lead.

Harleigh Rawls hit her second two-run homerun of the game in the bottom of the seventh, but the Lady Bobcats fell short by a run. Orangefield at 3-5 trails Vidor which is 4-5 by half a game for fourth place in the district seeding for a position in the post season.

The West Orange-Stark Lady Mustangs came up short against Lumberton 16-2 on Tuesday, April 5, in their lone game of the week. Rayven Gales hit a triple and scored one of the two Lady Mustang runs. Ariel Farris scored the other run. Laila Mims had an RBI and Paris Overstreet got two singles for West Orange-Stark.

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out Scott was unemployed, he immediately asked him to be his caddy. Scott said he consulted his family and they all voted for him to take the job. It's been great so far for both Scotts.

When the Kansas City Chiefs decided recently to trade their best wide receiver Tyreek Hill to the Las Vegas Raiders, they received five draft picks for him including a No. 1 selection. This gave the Chiefs 12 picks in the upcoming NFL draft, including two No. 1's, two No. 2's, two No. 3's and two No. 4's. Planning for the future may be the reason Kansas City plays in so many Super Bowls.

The 2022 NBA season ended Sunday and the playoffs already began last night as the Phoenix Suns clinched the Western Conference and the Miami Heat clinched the Eastern Conference. The long-winded playoffs probably won't be decided until the NFL's training camp begins this summer.

JUST BETWEEN US...

The giant albatross that hung around the Lamar Cardinals' neck is back out at sea somewhere. What I'm referring to is that Athletic Director Marco Born no longer is around to screw up the Lamar Cardinals' athletic program. As one can tell, I was not very fond of him, starting from his first day on the job when he fired the two softball coaches without even knowing what they looked like. Then he ram-rodded the move from the Southland Conference to the Western Athletic Conference which was a big bust even before the first year was completed. It became apparent quickly that the football and basketball teams were uncomfortable with all that traveling and both posted zero conference wins. When Born's blunder became apparent, he bailed out on a Sabbatical leave and then meekly handed in his resignation. It may take years to refill the coffers that he depleted so rapidly with his hare-brained ideas. Not many will miss him, especially me!!!

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Chuck Uzzle

The horizon was filled with black clouds gathering over the gulf and lightning strikes were just enough to make you wonder "what am I doing out here?" A close look at the west shore line of Calcasieu through binoculars revealed no rain but that was just a matter of time. All of us in the boat were in agreement that we stay put until the weather began to clear. While we waited to see if we were going to get to fish or have to run for shelter I noticed the streams of finger mullet and shad rolling out of this particular little drain in the marsh. While we continued to watch the weather I caught a live well full of just perfect sized mullet, nice shad, and croaker that were just right. The outlook was getting better all the time.

After a short wait and with one eye on the weather we took off south down the lake in search of some bird activity that may lead us to a school of hungry fish. Our tour down the lake produced nothing so we rigged up a couple of rods with popping corks and live finger mullet instead of shad and began to drift.

Our drift had just begun when suddenly a vicious strike took us totally by surprise, a missed opportunity but it at least let us know we were in the right spot. Before too long the corks were going under on a regular basis and we were catching some nice speckled trout. The plague of little fish that were crushing the shad didn't seem to be bothering us and that was good.

After making a couple of drifts at our original stop and catching some very respectable trout the weather really got nice while the lake flattened out like you dream about. Just enough ripple on the water to stir the surface but not enough to hide a jumping shrimp or a feeding trout. Our trip south was halted as we came across a small group of gulls sitting on the water, every now and again the gulls would get up and hover as the surface of the

water opened in a wild commotion. Finding the gulls over feeding fish was a blessing and curse, the non stop action was a blessing while the small size of the fish we were catching was the curse. It was incredible the amount of 10 to 12 inch trout that were in this school, plenty of action but only a couple of keeper fish. The school of fish finally played out and we were off to find another bunch, hopefully a better bunch.

It didn't take long for us to find another bunch of fish; it seemed like everywhere you looked there were trout popping the surface and a gull or two somewhere giving hot pursuit. Finally we stumbled upon that one good school of fish where the keepers outnumbered the dinks by a wide margin, our search efforts had finally paid off. The better trout seemed to want the finger mullet instead of shad, the bonus of using the mullet instead of the shad was fewer gafftop we had to deal with. As the trout continued to feed we were fortunate enough to spot another school of fish, this bunch was redfish and they were crushing bait on the surface. Unfortunately for us the redds didn't stay up long and we only managed to boat one. By now the heat had taken a toll on all of us, the tide had stopped moving and we decided to call it day.

The lesson learned on this day was that through trial and error we were able to make sense of what the fish wanted and were able to find a pattern that worked.

Don't just accept that you can only do one thing to catch fish; the trial and error method will work wonders if you give it a chance. I have used this technique a bunch, especially with clients in the boat. It makes life easy when you are catching fish to start experimenting with different lures and presentations in search of better fish. It's amazing to see one small difference in either a retrieve or color make a huge difference in the quality of fish that you are catching. Even when the action is good there is still a possibility that it could get better. The great thing is that if the experiment doesn't work you can go back to the original technique and catch fish, that's a chance any of us should be willing to take.

St. Mary Spring Festival set for April 23

St. Mary Catholic School will be holding their Family Fun Spring Festival on Saturday, April 23rd starting at 9 a.m. at 2600 Bob Hall Road in Orange.

There will be delicious food, games, music,

entertainment and opportunities to win valuable prizes.

There are opportunities for sponsorships to promote yourself or your business. For more information please call 409-883-8913.

GOOD FRIDAY
APRIL 15TH
6:00PM SERVICE
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Easter
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SUNDAY SERVICE

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|------------------------|----------------|
| SUNRISE | 6:30AM |
| BREAKFAST | 8:00AM |
| SMALL GROUPS | 9:30AM |
| WORSHIP SERVICE | 10:45AM |

APRIL 16TH EASTER EGG HUNT 10:00AM

(over 2,000 eggs with some prize eggs) with a special guest.

Old First Orange Baptist Church

7925 IH 10 Orange, Texas 77630

NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR PUBLICATION
(AVISO DE ELECCIÓN PARA PUBLICACIÓN)

To the registered voters of Bridge City Independent School District, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados en el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Bridge City, Texas)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places below will be open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm on May 7, 2022 election to consider the following propositions:
(Por la presente se da aviso de que los lugares de votación a continuación estarán abiertos de 7:00 am a 7:00 pm el 7 de mayo de 2022 para votar en una elección especial para considerar las siguientes proposiciones:)

PROPOSITION A
"Shall the Board of Trustees of the Bridge City Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District in the principal amount not to exceed \$57,700,000 for the purposes of designing, constructing, renovating, improving, upgrading, updating, acquiring, and equipping school facilities (including but not limited to the construction of a new 6th Grade to 8th Grade middle school), any necessary or related removal of existing school facilities, and the purchase of any necessary sites for school facilities, such bonds to mature serially or otherwise (not more than 40 years from their date) in accordance with law; any issue or series of such bonds to bear interest per annum at such rate or rates (fixed, floating, variable, or otherwise) as may be determined within the discretion of the Board of Trustees, provided that such rate or rates of interest shall not exceed the maximum rate per annum authorized by law at the time of the issuance of any issue or series of such bonds; and shall the Board of Trustees of the District be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds?"

(PROPOSTA A)
"Se deberá autorizar a la Junta de Síndicos del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Bridge City a emitir y vender bonos del Distrito por la cantidad de capital que no exceda \$57,700,000 para los propósitos de diseñar, construir, renovar, mejorar, actualizar, modernizar, adquirir y equipar instalaciones escolares (incluyendo, sin limitaciones, la construcción de una nueva escuela secundaria de 6o. a 8o. grados), cualquier remoción necesaria o relacionada de instalaciones escolares existentes, y la compra de cualquier predio necesario para las instalaciones escolares, dichos bonos con vencimiento en serie o de otra forma (no más de 40 años a partir de sus fechas) en conformidad con la ley; que toda emisión o serie de dichos bonos devengue interés anual a cierta tasa o tasas (fija, flotante, variable o de otro modo) según lo determine la Junta de Síndicos a su discreción, siempre que dicha tasa o tasas de interés no excedan la tasa anual máxima autorizada por la ley al momento de la emisión de cualquier emisión o serie de dichos bonos; y se deberá autorizar a la Junta de Síndicos del Distrito a imponer y comprometer y hacer determinar y recaudar impuestos anuales ad valorem sobre toda propiedad gravable en el Distrito, suficientes, sin límites en cuanto a la tasa o cantidad, para pagar el capital e interés de dichos bonos y el costo de cualquier acuerdo de crédito ejecutado en conexión con los bonos?"

PROPOSITION B
"Shall the Board of Trustees of the Bridge City Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District in the principal amount not to exceed \$14,700,000 for the purposes of designing, constructing, renovating, improving, upgrading, updating, acquiring, and equipping school facilities (including but not limited to the construction of a new 9th Grade to 12th Grade high school Career and Technical Education Center), any necessary or related removal of existing school facilities, and the purchase of any necessary sites for school facilities, such bonds to mature serially or otherwise (not more than 40 years from their date) in accordance with law; any issue or series of such bonds to bear interest per annum at such rate or rates (fixed, floating, variable, or otherwise) as may be determined within the discretion of the Board of Trustees, provided that such rate or rates of interest shall not exceed the maximum rate per annum authorized by law at the time of the issuance of any issue or series of such bonds; and shall the Board of Trustees of the District be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds?"

(PROPOSICIÓN B)
"Se deberá autorizar a la Junta de Síndicos del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Bridge City a emitir y vender bonos del Distrito por la cantidad de capital que no exceda \$14,700,000 para los propósitos de diseñar, construir, renovar, mejorar, actualizar, modernizar, adquirir y equipar instalaciones escolares (incluyendo, sin limitaciones, la construcción de un nuevo Centro de Educación Técnica y Profesional de Preparatoria de 9o. a 12o. grados), cualquier remoción necesaria o relacionada de instalaciones escolares existentes, y la compra de cualquier predio necesario para las instalaciones escolares, dichos bonos con vencimiento en serie o de otra forma (no más de 40 años a partir de sus fechas) en conformidad con la ley; que toda emisión o serie de dichos bonos devengue interés anual a cierta tasa o tasas (fija, flotante, variable o de otro modo) según lo determine la Junta de Síndicos a su discreción, siempre que dicha tasa o tasas de interés no excedan la tasa anual máxima autorizada por la ley al momento de la emisión de cualquier emisión o serie de dichos bonos; y se deberá autorizar a la Junta de Síndicos del Distrito a imponer y comprometer y hacer determinar y recaudar impuestos anuales ad valorem sobre toda propiedad gravable en el Distrito, suficientes, sin límites en cuanto a la tasa o cantidad, para pagar el capital e interés de dichos bonos y el costo de cualquier acuerdo de crédito ejecutado en conexión con los bonos?"

Orange County:
(Condado de Orange)

Election Day: May 7, 2022 (Día de Elección: el 7 de mayo 2022)
Election Day Polling Locations open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (Lugares de votación del día de la Elección abiertos de 7 a.m. a 7 p.m.)

| Orange County Voting Precincts Box# (Condado de Orange número de lugar de votación) | Polling Location (Lugar de votación) | Address (Dirección) |
|--|---|---|
| 1 | Cove Baptist Church | 1005 Dupont Dr. – Orange |
| 2 | WOCISD Admin/Education Bldg. | 902 W. Park Ave. – Orange |
| 3 | North School | 801 Cordrey – Orange |
| 4 | Alexander Homes Senior Citizens Ctr. | 2023 N. 4 th St. – Orange |
| 5 | WOCISD Admin/Education Bldg. | 902 W. Park Ave. – Orange |
| 6 | North Orange Pentecostal | 7144 N. 16 th (N. Hwy 87) – Orange |
| 7 | St. Francis Catholic Church | 4300 Meeks Dr. – Orange |
| 8 | LCMCISD Administration Bldg. | 6586 FM 1130 – Orange |
| 9 | Sabine River Authority | 12777 N. Hwy. 87 – Orange |
| 10 | Winfree Baptist Church | 19525 Hwy. 62 S. – Orange |
| 11 | West Orange City Hall | 2700 Western Ave. – Orange |
| 12 | West Orange Stark High School | 1400 Newton St. – Orange |
| 13 | Masonic Temple | 3528 South St. – Orange |
| 14 | West Orange Stark Elementary | 2605 MLK Dr. – Orange |
| 15 | Texas Dept. of Transportation Bldg. | 3128 N. Hwy. 62 – Orange |
| 16 | Mauriceville Volunteer Fire Dept. | 10691 N. Hwy. 62 – Mauriceville |
| 17 | Pine Forest Baptist Church | 4800 N. Main – Vidor |
| 18 | Vidor Junior High School | 945 N. Tram – Vidor |
| 19 | Raymond Gould Community Center | 385 Claiborne St. – Vidor |
| 20 | Vidor High School | 500 Orange – Vidor |
| 21 | Rose City City Hall | 370 Rose City Dr. – Vidor |
| 22 | Pecan Acres Baptist Church | 14795 Duncan Woods Lane – Vidor |
| 23 | Oranfield Cormier Museum | 9908 FM 105 – Oranfield |
| 24 | Bridge City High School | 2690 Texas Ave. – Bridge City |
| 25 | Bridge City Public Works Building | 220 Nitsche St. – Bridge City |
| 26 | Bridge City Knights of Columbus Hall | 495 w. Roundbunch Rd. – Bridge City |
| 27 | Pine Forest Elementary School | 4150 N. Main – Vidor |
| 28 | St. Paul Methodist Church | 1155 W. Roundbunch Rd. – Bridge City |
| 29 | Vidor High School | 500 Orange – Vidor |
| 30 | Orange County Drainage District | 8081 Old Hwy. 90 – Orange |
| 31 | Pct. 2 Commissioner's Office | 11867 Hwy. 62 N. – Mauriceville |
| 32 | Orange County Expo Center | 11475 FM 1442 – Orange |
| 33 | Vidor Elementary School | 400 E. Railroad (Old Hwy. 90) – Vidor |
| 34 | Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church | 1600 N. Main - Vidor |

For early voting, a voter may vote at the locations listed below:
(Para votación anticipada, los votantes podrán votar en los lugares nombrado abajo:)

| Dates (Fechas) | Times (Horarios) |
|---|------------------|
| April 25-29, 2022 (el 25-29 de abril 2022) | 8 am – 5 pm |
| May 2-3, 2022 (el 2-3 de mayo 2022) | 7 am – 7 pm |

| Early Voting Polling Places (Lugares de Votación Anticipada) | |
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| Location (Lugares) | Address (Dirección) |
| Bridge City ISD Administration Building | 1031 W. Roundbunch Rd. - Orange 77611 |
| Orange Public Library | 220 N. 5 th Street – Orange 77630 |
| Mauriceville Community Center | 7441 Cohenour Rd. – Orange 77632 |
| Raymond Gould Community Center | 385 Claiborne – Vidor 77662 |

Applications for voting by mail should be received no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on Friday, April 26, 2022. Applications should be sent to: **Donna Alford, ORANGE COUNTY Election Administrator, 123 S. 6TH STREET, ORANGE, TEXAS 77630, FAX # 409-670-4176.** Application for Ballot by Mail (ABBM) may be emailed to orangecountyelections@yahoo.com.

Federal Postcard Application (FPCA) may be emailed to orangecountyelections@yahoo.com. If an application for ballot by mail is faxed or emailed (or if a federal postcard application is faxed), the applicant must also mail the original application so that the early voting clerk receives the original no later than four days after receiving the emailed or faxed copy.

(Las solicitudes para votar por correo deberán recibirse antes del cierre de actividades (5:00 p.m.) del viernes 26 de abril de 2022. Las solicitudes deberán dirigirse a: **Donna Alford, ORANGE COUNTY Election Administrator, 123 S. 6TH STREET, ORANGE, TEXAS 77630, FAX # 409-670-4176.** Las solicitudes de boletas de votación por correo (ABBM) pueden enviarse a orangecountyelections@yahoo.com. Si una solicitud de boleta de votación para votar por correo se envía por fax o por correo electrónico (o si una tarjeta postal federal de solicitud se envía por fax), el solicitante también debe enviar por correo postal la solicitud original para que el oficial de votación anticipada reciba el original a más tardar cuatro días después de haber recibido la copia por correo electrónico o fax.)

District's website (Sitio web de Distrito): <https://www.bridgecityisd.net>
Orange County's website (Sitio web del Condado de Orange): <https://www.co.orange.tx.us/departments/ElectionsAdministration/ElectionLocationHours>

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• Penny Record Office: 333 West Roundbunch, Bridge City
 • County Record Office: 320 Henrietta, Orange
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **BEVERLY JEAN ARMSTRONG BURCH**, Deceased, were issued on the 7th day of April, 2022, in Cause No. P19349, pending in the County Court at Law of Orange County, Texas. Probate Division to: **JAMES ROGER BURCH**.

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.

James Roger Burch
5337 Circle C Ranch Rd
Orange, TX 77632

DATED the 8th day of April, 2022.

Eric Peveto

Eric Peveto
Attorney for:
James Roger Burch
State Bar No.: 24004859
118 Border Street
Orange, TX 77630
Phone: (409)883-0220
Email: emily@pevetolawfirm.com

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **BARBARA LENORA TISDALE** aka **BARBARA LENORE TISDALE**, Deceased, were issued on MARCH 30, 2022, in Cause No. P19264, pending in the County Court at Law of Orange County, Texas, to: **DEVRON SCOTT HOFFPAUR**.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

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

Dated the 8th day of April, 2022.

James R. Dunaway

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

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Orange, TX 77630
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **ROBERT HENRY EWING, JR.**, Deceased, were issued on APRIL 6, 2022, in Cause No. P19304, pending in the County Court at Law of Orange County, Texas, Probate Division to: **SUSAN ELIZABETH LINSOMB**.

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: **George B. Barron**
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 279
Orange, TX 77631-0279

Dated the 7th day of April, 2022.

George B. Barron

George B. Barron
Attorney for Executrix
State Bar No.: 01817500
P.O. Box 279
Orange, TX 77631-0279

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **MARY FRANCES TURNER**, Deceased, were issued on April 7, 2022, in Cause No. P19339, pending in the County Court at Law of Orange County, Texas, to: **David Edward Turner**.

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.

David Edward Turner
c/o: **Stephen C. Howard**
Attorney at Law
903 W. Green Avenue
Orange, Texas 77630

DATED the 7th day of April, 2022.

Stephen Howard

Stephen Howard
Attorney for:
David Edward Turner
State Bar No.: 10079400
903 W. Green Avenue
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LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF HORRY
CRYSTAL THOMPSON PARKS & CHRISTOPHER TERRY PARKS,
PETITIONERS,

V. **REBECCA NICOLE PURVIS & JOHN DOE**,
RESPONDENTS.

IN RE: **EMMA RENEE PARKS (DOB: 01/03/2011) A MINOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 14-YEARS-OLD**

TO: **REBECCA NICOLE PURVIS BIOLOGICAL MOTHER OF A CAUCASIAN FEMALE CHILD BORN IN FLORIDA ON JANUARY 3, 2011;**
TO: **JOHN DOE UNKNOWN BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF A CAUCASIAN MALE CHILD BORN IN FLORIDA ON JANUARY 3, 2011;**

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to respond to the Petition for Adoption in this action, a copy of which is hereby served upon you and to serve a copy of your response on the subscriber at her address, Brana J. Williams, Indigo Family Law, LLC, 2055 Glens Bay Road, Surfside Beach, South Carolina, 29575, within thirty (30) days after service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to answer the Petition for Adoption within the time aforesaid, the Petitioners in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Petition.

REBECCA NICOLE PURVIS YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an adoption proceeding was filed in Family Court of Horry County on December 20, 2021, and in this Petition, you are named to be the mother of **A CAUCASIAN FEMALE CHILD BORN IN FLORIDA ON JANUARY 3, 2011.**

JOHN DOE YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an adoption proceeding was filed in Family Court of Horry County on December 21, 2021, and in this Petition, you are named to be the unknown biological father of **A CAUCASIAN MALE CHILD BORN IN FLORIDA ON JANUARY 3, 2011;**

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED, that if Notice to Contest, Intervene or otherwise Respond is filed by you with the Court within thirty (30) days of the receipt of this Notice, you will be given an opportunity to appear and be heard prior to the Final Hearing. To file notice to contest, intervene or otherwise respond, you must notify the Clerk of Court for Horry County, as well as the Chief Administrative Judge for the Family Court of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, at the Horry County Family Court, at 1301 2nd Street, Conway, South Carolina 29926 or mailing address P.O. Box 677, Conway, South Carolina 29928. All of the above-named must be informed, and must be kept advised, or your current address throughout the adoption proceedings.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED, that your failure to respond within thirty (30) days of this Notice of Adoption Proceedings constitutes your consent to this adoption and the forfeiture of all your rights and obligations with respect to the child who is the subject of this action. It is further alleged that your consent to this adoption is not required under S.C. Code Ann., Section 63-9-310 and that your parental rights should be terminated pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 63-7-2570 (7) GROUNDS.

YOU ARE FINALLY NOTIFIED that this notice is given pursuant to the S.C. Code Ann. Section 63-9-730 (E). **THIS ACTION WAS FILED ON DECEMBER 20, 2021 and a final hearing is set for July 11, 2022 at 9:30a.m. before Honorable Salley McIntyre, at the Horry County Judicial Complex located at 1301 2nd Avenue, Conway, South Carolina. BE SO NOTIFIED!**

Respectfully submitted,

BRANA J. WILLIAMS, Esquires SC Bar # 64193
RYAN A. STAMPFLE, Esquires SC Bar # 70665
Attorney for Petitioners
Indigo Family Law, LLC
2055 Glens Bay Road
Surfside Beach South Carolina 29575
843-215-6100 Fax: 843-215-6105
brana@indigofamilylaw.com

IN THE FAMILY COURT
OF THE
15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
CASE NO. 2021-DR-26-2784

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF
ADOPTION PROCEEDING

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: **JONATHAN MARRERO SERRANO**
Defendant(s), Greeting:

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 42 days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgement may be taken against you.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable County Court at Law #2 of Orange County at the Courthouse thereof, in Orange, Texas, by filing a written answer on or before 10 o'clock A.M., of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being May 12, 2022, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on DECEMBER 11, 2018, in this cause, numbered 24173 on the docket of said court and styled:

Quibodeaux, Steve, Dba Bridge City Wrecker vs Jonathan Marrero Serrano

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION

as more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

ISSUED AND GIVEN under my hand and seal of said Court at Orange, Texas, this March 31, 2022

Brandy Robertson, Clerk, County Court
Orange County, Texas

By *Brooke Hatton*
Brooke Hatton

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DIVORCE CITATION BY PUBLICATION (OTHER) - COPUBWD

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: **Michael M Smith** Respondent, NOTICE:

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 **Christopher Denmon, Petitioner**, was filed in the 260th District Court of Orange County, Texas on 15th day of July, 2021, against **Michael M Smith, Respondent**, numbered 210309-C.

The suit request:

Defendant to be cited to appear and answer herein as to the following property:

This is a Declaratory Action to determine the rights of Michael Smith, Seller/Defendant and Christopher Denmon, Buyer/Plaintiff with respect to the real property located at 209 Skylark Avenue, Bridge City, Texas and more particularly described as follows:

Being a 0.212 acre tract or parcel of land out of the JOHN JETT SURVEY, ABSTRACT No. 15, Orange County, Texas, being a park of Block 8, Orange County, Farms, recorded in Volume 2, page 41, Map Records, Orange County, Texas also being a 0.212 acre tract or parcel of land conveyed to Jason Morgan, by deed recorded in Clerk File No. 348596, of the Official Public Records, of Real Property, Orange County, Texas, said 0.212 acre tract being more particularly described as follow;

BEGINNING at a ½" iron rod found for the intersection of the Northeast corner of said 0.212 acre tract, and the South right-of-way line of Skylark Avenue;

THENCE South 14 deg. 53 Min. 27 Sec. West, along and with the East line of said 0.212, for a distance of 119.85 feet, to a 5/8" iron rod found for the Southeast corner of said 0.212 acre tract;

THENCE North 79 Deg. 15 Min. 12 Sec. West, for a distance of 75.55 feet to a ½" iron rod set for the Southwest corner of said 0.212 acre tract;

THENCE North 14 Deg. 50 Min. 30 Sec. East along and with the West line of said 0.212 acre tract. For a distance pf 125.40 feet to a ½" iron rod set for the Northwest corner of said 0.212 acre tract;

THENCE South 75 Deg. 02 Min. 25 Sec. East, along and with the North line of said 0.212 acre tract, for a distance of 75.46 feet, to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 0.212 Acres, of land.

The court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment which will be binding on you.

ISSUED AND GIVEN under my hand and seal of said Court at Orange, Texas, this April 2, 2022.

VICKIE EDGERLY, District Clerk
Orange County, Texas

Vickie Edgerly

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POSITION: OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

ESSENTIAL DUTIES:

- File and manage administrative and personnel-related records, including, but not limited to, payroll records, employee benefits records, insurance records and reports, and other records regarding the business of the District.
- Answer telephone calls, initiate work order requests, and greet all visitors.
- Open and distribute incoming mail.
- Draft and type letters, reports and presentations.
- Assist Office Manager with timekeeping and all related functions.
- Perform all other tasks determined by Management to be reasonably necessary for the benefit of the District.

REQUIRED EXPERIENCE:

- 5 years of experience in clerical work or office administration.

SKILLS REQUIRED:

- Must be proficient in Microsoft Word and Excel, and proficient in, or capable of learning and using Peachtree/Sage accounting software or any other applicable software.
- Must: 1) be proficient in typing, and be able to type from dictation; 2) have good organizational skills; 3) have ability to analyze and evaluate data; 4) have working knowledge of basic accounting principles, general ledger setup and maintenance, accounts payable and typical payroll-related tasks; and 5) be able to perform routine office management duties without supervision.

SALARY: Dependent on qualifications and experience.
BENEFITS: Health Insurance, Pension, Paid Vacation and Holidays.

To be considered for this position, an interested candidate must submit an Employment Application to the District at the District office, located at 8081 Old Highway 90, Orange, Texas, no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 2, 2022. An Employment Application may be obtained at the District office, or on the District's website at www.ocddtx.com. Not every applicant will be interviewed. The Orange County Drainage District is an equal opportunity employer.