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Early voting for MISD school bond starts Monday

Mineola School Superintendent Kim Tunnell has provided information about the bond election, for which early voting begins Monday.

Early voting will be held in the School Administration Building from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays through the final date, Nov. 3.

Tunnell explained in a press release what the \$38.5 million bond the voters are being asked to approve will be for. She said it is one bond package which includes multiple projects to

address the safety and security concerns, along with projects to provide for classroom space and expansion of programs for all students in prekindergarten through 12th grades in the Mineola schools. This single-phased facility improvement plan calls for one new campus and renovations at two existing campuses.

The superintendent pointed out that most of the bond is

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Ballots include statewide amendment, separate school issues

The commencement of early voting on Monday brings the beginning of early voting in a statewide constitutional amendment election and three different school district elections.

In addition to the Mineola School District \$38.5 million bond election, the Winnsboro School District is asking its citizens to approval a \$31.5 million bond.

The Harmony School District, with voters in Uphaus and Wood counties, is holding a

tax ratification election. The district is asking voters to approve a 13 cent increase in its tax rate to enable the district to optimize available state funding. It would take the district's total rate to \$1.24.

All school district early voting will take place at the schools.

County Elections Administrator Laura Wise said that sample ballots are available on the Wood County website under mywoodcounty.com.

Quitman library first in state to lend BP monitors

High blood pressure, also known as hypertension, raises your risks for heart attack, stroke, diabetes and kidney disease. Self-measuring one's blood pressure allows individuals to track and to share those readings with their doctor to better manage their high blood pressure.

This October, the Northeast Texas Public Health District (NET Health) has joined with the Quitman Public Library to encourage healthy living by providing five blood pressure monitor kits for patron check-out. NET Health's Community Outreach Department provides resources to the community that focuses on chronic disease prevention and self-management.

NET Health Program Manager Joy Johnson, "The Quitman Public Library is the first Blood Pressure Lending Library in the State of Texas, and we're very excited about this!" There are two lending libraries in Ohio and Pennsylvania. "When I proposed the idea to Ms. Allen this past August, she was very interested in offering this through the Quitman Public Library to serve the surrounding community," says Johnson.

The blood pressure monitoring kits include an electronic blood pressure monitor, arm cuff, AC adaptor, batteries, a quick user's guide, educational materials and a BP wallet card for tracking your numbers, as

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McKensie Shaft, a junior at Mineola High School, emerges from a mock version of a water system pipe in the Confined Space Safety Training Trailer in the school parking lot Friday. (Monitor photo by Doris Newman)

MHS students get a taste of water-related career training

Mineola School District will be expanding their local Career and Technical Education programs through a new partnership to offer certifications in basic water and / or basic wastewater licensing to fill a shortage of certified operators in East Texas.

On Friday the program was showcased with a mobile training lab at Mineola High School that provided students information about the high demand career.

The Texas A&M Engineering Extension Services Water Training Program is authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to provide training necessary to qualify for entry level license(s) for positions in water careers at local utility departments. Successful completion of the Basic Water and / or Basic Wastewater license preparation course along with a high school diploma prepares young people for occupational license testing and entry into this high demand career field.

"We do training all over everywhere," James

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LEMME SEE THAT ...

Mia Crayton tries to get Wonder Woman to use her sword on her Dad, Matthew Crayton, who was standing nearby at the Second Annual Dominic Ayala Jamboree in Yantis Saturday. (Monitor photo by Larry Tucker)



This Week in Your Neighborhood

- The Wood County Extension Service's Diabetes classes begin today (Wednesday) and will also be on Oct. 18, 23 and 25 at 10 a.m. each day at the extension office in Quitman. Call 903-763-2924 for more information.

- A Mineola Chamber of Commerce mixer will be Thursday at Century 21 from 5 to 7 p.m.

- Friday brings the Caring & Sharing Spaghetti lunch from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Mineola Ministries Center. Tickets are \$8 and dine-in and delivery are available.

- Star Gazing by the Astronomical Society of East Texas is set Friday night at the nature preserve in Mine-

ola - weather permitting. The activity begins at 9 p.m. at the amphitheater next to the pavilion.

- Rotary recycling will be Saturday at the Mineola Walmart from 9 a.m. to noon. The recycling trailer will be there to take recyclables to Quitman.

- The Mineola DAR chapter garage sale will be Saturday at Jim Hogg Park in Quitman.

- It's Trail Ride weekend at Winnsboro's Autumn Trails. The Welcome Parade is Friday beginning at 4 p.m. and the trail ride begins Saturday and Sunday mornings. Also on Saturday A Taste of Winnsboro begins at 11:30 a.m. with

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Canton High School wins 2017 band festival title

By **QUINTON LILLEY**
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Over a thousand families, friends and community members were in attendance for the 2017 Mineola Marching Festival that saw the Canton High School band take first place last Monday night at Meredith Memorial Stadium.

The 12-hour event began at 9 a.m. and included 32 performances in all, 30 of which

The Canton band performs during the 2017 Mineola Marching Festival. Canton took first place out of 30 competitive bands. (Monitor photo by Quinton Lilley)

were school in competition for the festival's top award, and two others (Mineola and Tyler Junior College) that were just for entertainment.

Mineola Superintendent Kim Tunnell said she believes the festival was a great experience for all 4,000 of the band students who attended.

"The support was really awesome for all the participants. There were several people from the community as well as those who traveled with their bands to perform. The purpose of this event was

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Tucker's Turf

By Larry Tucker



LARRY TUCKER

John Rainey and John Gore have each now crossed to the other side of life, the ritual we call death. In their lives, each man touched countless people in so many different ways. I had the privilege to work with both of them.

Gore passed away recently and it is a great loss to those who knew him and worked with him or for him. Rainey died in 2002 after a hard-fought battle with multiple myeloma, cancer of the bone marrow.

I met John Rainey when he worked at the Winnsboro News and I met John Gore when he was at KWNS radio in Winnsboro. I worked for Gore at the short-lived Winnsboro Tribune. Each man had a profound effect on my professional and personal life. Rainey was the complete news person. He was an award-winning writer, photographer and columnist. He was a proud Marine Korean Conflict veteran and an outspoken old school Democrat who had little patience with those he deemed rude or ignorant. And he did not mind spouting his opinions,

and did ever have opinions!

Gore was a talented broadcaster in his own right, but I knew him more from an editor's point of view. He taught me how to write a headline properly and make it more appealing for the story content. He was a meticulous editor, but he made my writing flow in a way it never had before. It was also the time in my life when my alcoholism was at its worst. He never wavered in his support of me, but never missed a time to rake me over the coals when needed.

Gore pressed me hard to get some help and he tried his best to lead me to at least attempt to sober up. It was not long after we parted ways I took his advice and sought the treatment which would lead to my recovery. He is one of the many people whom I credit for my sobriety and my life today.

Rainey became one of my closest friends in the 1990s when he started working at the Wood County Democrat. I left the paper to teach and coach in Dallas, but came back to Yantis and was able to write sports for the Democrat and spend some time again with John. He was the consummate news person. He was the best old crusty newspaper reporter a journalist could be. He became my journalistic mentor and taught me more about the business than I could have ever learned in a college journalism class.

It was Rainey who penned me a note while I was in recovery which I hold dear to me heart today. His note read, "Larry, we all have snakes in our lives. You need to kill yours. See you soon, John."

Rainey loved the music of Willie Nelson, Kris Kristofferson, Waylon Jennings and Billy Joe Shaver, all favorites of mine. He made CDs to give away to others. He took pictures he spent hours develop-

ing in the dark room which he would give away. He recommended books by James Lee Burke, Ann Richards, Jim Hightower and Rick Waller which he would buy and give you. He expected you to read those books and would quiz to make sure you did.

Rainey could be obstinate, insistent, ranting and raving. If you were his friend, he was loyal, and faithful. If he did not like you, believe me, you knew it. He was sometimes hard to please, but mainly hardest on himself. He demanded perfection from himself and expected others to do their best.

I took Rainey to the his doctor appointments and for his treatments until my move to Dallas in 2001. I am so glad I moved back in 2002 and was able to spend valuable time with him. He encouraged me to go back into to teaching even if he didn't want me to go. He had challenged me to become the best teacher I possibly could.

He served as an editor and writer in places like Galveston and Houston. He knew politicians at every level. At his funeral in Garland, I gave the eulogy. I counted six state representatives and two state senators in the modest crowd at the Garland funeral service.

Rainey loved living. He loved writing, He loved truth. He loved being a journalist. He loved to come early and stay late. In a Rainey Day Notebook column he wrote in 2001 he said, "I began working at 13. These days all I have going for me is work. There is no need for sorrow or pity."

Rainey once met poet Robert Frost. He knew Texas writer and historian, J. Frank Dobie, and he enjoyed good food and good wine. Rainey followed Frost advice and "took the road less traveled."

I am a better man today because of two men named John. I miss them.

Letters Policy

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Submit letters to the editor to editor@woodcountymonitor.com or by mail to one of our offices (see staff box at bottom of page).

WOOD COUNTY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

2nd FRIDAY ACOUSTICAL JAM - second Friday 6 - 9 p.m., Quitman Public Library, 202 E Goode St, Quitman 903-975-5745
 ALBA CITY COUNCIL - first Monday, 6:30 p.m., City Hall.
 ALBA LADIES CLUB - fourth Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Alba Community Center. 765-2573
 ALBA LIBRARY/MUSEUM BOARD - third Monday every other month., 4 p.m., library building. Everyone welcome.
 ALBA-GOLDEN SCHOOL BOARD - second Monday, 7 p.m., high school library, 768-2472.
 ALBA-GOLDEN YOUTH FOUNDATION - second Tuesday, elementary gym, 7 p.m. All welcome.
 ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - Sunday and Monday, 7 p.m., Friday 8 p.m., Wednesday noon; Women's Group Mon. 11 a.m.; St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, Mineola.
 ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - Wednesday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m., 404 S. Main Street, Quitman.
 ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - Gateway Group, Tues. & Sat. 7 p.m. Puckett House, 109 Kilpatrick Street.
 ALANON - Thursday, 7:30 pm; St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, Mineola.
 ALZHEIMER SUPPORT GROUP (sponsored by Pilot Club) first Monday, 11 a.m., Red Dome restaurant in Quitman, 903-569-5237.
 AMERICAN LEGION POST 296 and Auxiliary - fourth Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Highway 80, three miles east of Mineola. 903-569-0348. All are invited.
 AMERICAN LEGION POST OF WINNSBORO - first Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., 102 West Broadway, in Winnsboro. 903-752-0913 or 903-7675338.
 APET (Animal Preservation of East Texas) Thrift Store - Dog Gone Good Stuff, 915 S. Pacific Street, Mineola, Thursday-Saturday. 903-569-0505 or 903-563-9542.
 BOY SCOUT TROOP #36 QUITMAN - meets Sunday, 4:30 p.m., Scout House behind First United Methodist Church. Danny King, 903-521-5930.
 BOYSCOUTS TROOP 385 MINEOLA - Tuesdays 7 p.m., Mineola Methodist Education Bldg. New boys/ alums welcome! Chris Jennings 903-569-3531
 BOY SCOUTS TROOP 180 WINNSBORO - Tuesdays 6:30 p.m., Church of Christ. New boys/alums welcome! Tex Willis 903-816-0638
 BOY SCOUTS TROOP 379 WINNSBORO - Tuesdays 7 p.m., City Bldg @ Walker Park. New boys/alums welcome! Sherry McGovern 903-335-9744
 BREAD OF LIFE MINISTRY FOOD PANTRY - Humble Baptist, first & third Tuesday 1-4 p.m.
 BREAKING FREE - meeting place for families and friends of addicts and alcoholics. Monday, 7 p.m., 971 E. Goode St., Quitman, 903-497-6149.
 CELEBRATE RECOVERY - a support group for those with various hurts, habits or hang-ups, every Monday, 7 p.m., Church On the Rock annex building at 302 S. Stephens. 903-763-4588.
 COUNSELING CHRISTIAN GUIDANCE CENTER - 903-850-3858 or ibarnes@texascellnet.com.
 CUB SCOUTS PACK 391 HAWKINS - meets Sundays, 5 p.m., Scout Hut, FUMC. New boys, alums welcome. Scott Randall, 903-203-7901.
 DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION - first Saturday except June, July, August and December, 12 p.m. Harvest Acres Baptist Church, 460 NW Loop 564, Mineola. 903-629-7837.
 DELPHIAN LITERARY CLUB - first Wednesday, 569-6794 or 569-3586.
 DRUG AND ALCOHOL AWARENESS - 7 p.m. Friday, Seventh Day Adventist Church, Ronny Polley 768-2992.
 DUPLICATED BRIDGE ACBL games - Wednesday and Friday, 10:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 882-1335.
 EASTERN STAR - Quitman Chapter 695, 2nd Tues., dinner 6:30 p.m., meeting 7:30. Flora Lodge in Quitman. 903-638-6420.
 ETMC Quitman - needs volunteers. Great opportunity to meet people while helping your community. Contact Judy Johnson, 903-383-3433
 FANNIE MARCHMAN GARDEN CLUB - third Wednesday, September - May, Mineola Civic Center, 9:30 a.m. Visitors welcome. Charla Martin, president, 903-638-6389
 FLORA MASONIC LODGE #119 - first Tuesday at the

lodge hall, Highway 37, Quitman. Covered dish - 6:30 p.m., meeting 7:30 p.m. Study nights for members each Thursday, 7 p.m. at the hall.
 FOREVER YOUNG ACTIVITIES CENTER - Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fitness exercises, bridge, lessons, Bingo and card games.
 FOUKE-LAKE HAWKINS CRIME WATCH - third Thursday, 7 p.m., Fouke Community Center
 FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY - second Tuesday, Quitman.
 FRIENDS OF THE MINEOLA MEMORIAL LIBRARY - first Wednesday, 1 p.m., Mineola Library, 569-2767.
 GED CLASSES, FREE - Sand Spring Baptist Church. Monday and Tuesday, 9 a.m. to noon, or 6-9 p.m. 903-768-3239 or 903-569-9350.
 GED FREE PREPARATORY CLASS - each Thursday 4 - 6 p.m. concurrent with QISD calendar. Quitman Public Library, 202 E Goode St, Quitman 903-975-5745
 GIRL SCOUT TROOP #3 - Monday, 6 p.m., Broad Street Church of Christ Annex, 903-569-2610. All girls, kindergarten-12th grade welcome.
 HAINESVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER - second Tuesday, 6 p.m. Members bring a covered dish and enjoy an evening of fellowship. The center is located at FM 49 and 778, 903-769-1091.
 HAINESVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. - second and fourth Thursday, 7 p.m., Firehouse downtown Hainesville.
 HAWKINS LIONS CLUB - second and fourth Tuesday at the depot in Willful Crossing.
 HOLLY LAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT -first and third Tuesday at the fire station at Holly Lake Ranch.
 IRIS GARDEN CLUB-GOLDEN - first Monday, September-May, Golden United Methodist Church. 903-765-3000.
 KIWANIS CLUB - noon Tuesday, Mineola Civic Center Dogwood Room.
 THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OF SAINT PETER'S THE APOSTLE COUNCIL #11933 - second Thursday, 7 p.m., at the church, 203 Meadowbrook Drive, Mineola. 903-569-3662.
 LAKE COUNTRY CLASSIC CAR CLUB - third Monday, 6:30 p.m. 903-850-2557.
 LAKE COUNTRY REPUBLICANS - fourth Tuesday, 6 p.m., Quitman Library, 202 E. Goode St.
 LAKE COUNTRY RV TRAVELERS - of Good Sam Int'l. Monthly, RV parks w/in 150 m. radius. 903-569-3677 or 3069.
 LAKE COUNTRY SYMPHONIC BAND - will resume rehearsals Aug. 6 at Mineola High School Band Hall. 7 p.m. 903-569-2300.
 LAKE FORK ROTARY CLUB - Wednesday, noon, at the Lake Fork Baptist Church on State Highway 515
 LAKE HOLBROOK ASSOCIATION - first Saturday, February, May, August and November, Harold Simmons Community Center, 5:30 p.m. directors, 6 p.m. all members and guests welcome. 903-569-0223.
 MINEOLA BAND BOOSTERS - second Tuesday, 7 p.m., in high school band hall. All parents invited.
 MINEOLA LIONS CLUB - second and fourth Thursday, noon, Mineola Country Club, 903-638-1596; 903-569-3340.
 MINEOLA MARINE CORPS LEAGUE Det. #1278, 3rd Tuesday, 6 p.m. meal, 7 p.m. meeting. American Legion Building, 2015 E. Hwy. 80, Mineola, 903-497-3030.
 MINEOLA SCHOOL BOARD - third Monday, Admin. Bldg., Loop 564, 7 p.m.
 MINEOLA CITY COUNCIL - fourth Monday, 5:30 p.m., City Hall. Public welcome. Call City Hall for changes in November and December because of holidays.
 MINEOLA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB - last Monday, 6 p.m., high school lobby.

MINEOLA HISTORICAL MUSEUM ADVISORY BOARD - third Tuesday, 4 p.m., city hall. 569-6944. Public invited.
 MINEOLA MASONIC LODGE - second Thursday, dinner at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7:30 p.m. All Masons invited. 569-2608.
 MINEOLA REBEKAH LODGE - first and third Tuesday, 11 a.m., 106 S. Line St. All Rebekahs welcome, 569-2776.
 MINEOLA ROTARY CLUB - Monday noon, Dogwood Room, Mineola Civic Center.
 MINEOLA ROTARY RECYCLING - third Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon, Walmart parking lot. Cardboard, paper and plastic accepted.
 MINEOLA SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER - 308 University, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. 903-497-1162; Dominoes & other games.
 MLOTA LINE DANCE GUILD - Tuesday, 8:30 a.m., and Friday, 9:30 a.m.
 MLOTA FIBER/CRAFT ART GUILD - Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., business meeting fourth Thursday, 9:30 a.m.
 MLOTA QUILT GUILD - first, second and third Thursday, 9:30 am; business meeting first Thursday.
 MLOTA PAINTERS GUILD - Wednesday, 10 a.m.; business meeting fourth Monday.
 MLOTA RUG HOOKING GROUP - first Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Beginners are welcome.
 MLOTA PHOTOGRAPHY GUILD - fourth Thursday, 6:30 p.m. All levels welcome., 903-569-8877.
 MLOTA SCULPTURE GUILD - Tuesday, 1 p.m. Business meeting first Tuesday.
 MONDAY NIGHT KNITS - 6-8 p.m. Monday, Golden Methodist Fellowship Hall. 903-768-2540.
 THE NAME CENTER (National Association of Marriage Enhancement) - 1302 S. Stephens, Quitman. Certified and experienced counselors by appointment to assist couples in Wood County. Free, donations are accepted. 903-763-1286.
 NORTHEAST TEXAS PARATROOPERS ASSOCIATION - third Saturday at 7:30 a.m. at Red Dome Smokehouse in Quitman.
 OPEN HEART MINISTRY - third Friday, 7 p.m., Mineola Civic Center.
 OVERCOMERS RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP - Monday, 7-8 p.m., Whispering Pines Church of the Nazarene, located on CR 3811, Hawkins
 PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL OF MINEOLA ELEMENTARY- first Tuesday, 8:15 a.m., elementary library, PARENTS ANONYMOUS GROUP - Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., First Baptist Church, Quitman. Children's program provided. 903-629-2114
 PILOT CLUB OF MINEOLA - second and fourth Tuesday, 6 p.m. Mineola Civic Center. 903-569-5237.
 PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - at First Baptist Church in Quitman. First Tuesday 1-3:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. 903-763-8101.
 QUITMAN CHILD ADVOCACY GROUP - third Thursday, 10 a.m., 403 Conger in Quitman. The public is welcome.
 QUITMAN GARDEN CLUB - second Tuesday (except when on field trips), 2 p.m., Quitman library. quitmangardenclub@gmail.com. All are welcome.
 QUITMAN/LAKE FORK KIWANIS - Wednesday, noon, Faith Student Center, 403 S. Main St., Quitman. QUITMAN LIONS CLUB - second and fourth Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Peralto's Restaurant. Contact any Lions Club member to donate your used eyeglasses for recycling to the needy.
 QUITMAN PILOT CLUB - third Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Quitman Public Library. 903-383-5075.
 QUITMAN ROTARY CLUB, Thurs., noon, ETMC Com-

munity Room, N. Hwy. 37.
 QUITMAN CITY COUNCIL - third Thursday, 5:30 p.m.; city hall.
 QUITMAN SCHOOL BOARD - 2nd Monday, 6 p.m. Administration Building.
 REPUBLICAN CLUB OF WINNSBORO - fourth Monday, 7 p.m., 903-342-0575.
 REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF WOOD COUNTY - third Monday, 11:30 a.m., Red Dome, Quitman, 903 383 2121.
 SINGING AT THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF HAWKINS - fourth Sunday, 2-4 p.m.
 SCOTTISH RITE - Wood County Scottish Rite Club meets third Thursday of odd month, 6:30 p.m., Red Dome Smokehouse meeting room. 903-253-3635.
 STROKE SURVIVORS & APHASIA CLUB OF EAST TEXAS - fourth Wednesday, 6-7 p.m., First Baptist Church Quitman, 903-878-2392.
 TEXAS INMATE FAMILIES ASSOCIATION - second Tuesday, 6:30-8 p.m., First Christian Church Tyler, Broadway & Loop, 903-839-2349.
 TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL - Garden Valley chapter, Thursdays on Mercy Ships property, 5:30-6:30 p.m. 903-882-0887.
 TOPS GROUP - Thursday, 8-11 a.m., Harvest Acres Baptist Church, NW Loop 564, 569-1240, 569-2415.
 UPPER SABINE VALLEY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT - every three months on third Monday, Wood County Courthouse, 5:30 p.m., 903-763-2123.
 UTU AUXILIARY MORNING STAR LODGE #851 - third Monday (except July and August), 11:30 a.m.
 VFW LADIES AUXILIARY #7523 - third Sunday, 1 p.m., Recruiting new members. 569-2228.
 VFW POST #7523 - third Wednesday, 6 p.m., Karaoke every Friday, 8 p.m. 569-2228.
 WHYTE DOVE WRITER'S GROUP - first Tuesday, 6 p.m., 407 N. Stephens in Quitman. 903-763-1210 or e-mail mkyoung97@peoples.com.net
 WOOD COUNTY 4-H HORSE CLUB - Business meeting, Monday, 2 p.m. Wood County Extension Office. Wood County Aggie Moms - 1st Tuesday, 6 p.m., 903-539-7049 or Wood County Aggie Moms Facebook page.
 WOOD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT - Quarterly, third Thursday, 8 p.m., appraisal district office. Open to the public.
 WOOD COUNTY CENTRAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT - third Monday, 5:30 p.m. (every three months).
 WOOD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT - every other Friday, Commissioners Court, Quitman, 10 a.m. 763-2716.
 WOOD COUNTY CRIME STOPPERS - every other month, third Monday, 6 p.m., Wood County Justice Center courtroom. The public is invited. 903-763-2201 or 903-569-6294.
 WOOD COUNTY DEMOCRAT CLUB - fourth Thursday, Quitman Public Library, at 6:15 p.m. 903-383-7036 or www.woodcountydem.org.
 WOOD COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY - third Monday, January through May and September through November, 7 p.m., Quitman Public Library, Shamburger Community Room. For 903-763-4191 or 967-2458.
 WOOD COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. IMMUNIZATION CLINIC - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 9-11 a.m., and 1-3 p.m., third Monday, 1-6 p.m. Public Health Department offices, 213 W. Bermuda, Quitman, 763-5406.
 WOOD COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT - second Monday, 7 p.m., hospital conference room in Quitman. Public invited.
 WOOD COUNTY RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION - third Monday, September-December, and February-April, 2 p.m. and in May at 5 p.m., Forever Young Activity Center, 402 S. Main St., Quitman. All retired school personnel are invited.
 WOOD COUNTY TEA PARTY - first Monday, 7 p.m., Quitman Library
 YANTIS CITY COUNCIL - second Tuesday, 6 p.m., city hall.
 YANTIS SCHOOL BOARD - second Monday, 6 p.m. (executive session), 7 open meeting, school cafeteria.
 YANTIS/LAKE FORK LIONS CLUB - second Thursday, 6 p.m., Yantis Community Center.

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Neil Davenport, left, and Brad Davenport, right, both graduated from Quitman High School and enlisted in the Army for active duty during their senior year.

Quitman brothers complete military training

Two East Texas brothers recently completed military training with the United States Army. Neil Davenport and Brad Davenport both graduated from Quitman High School and enlisted in the Army for active duty during their senior year.

Neil graduated in 2016 and attended basic combat training at the Army Infantry School located at Ft. Benning, Georgia. Upon graduation, he was assigned to the Army Field Artillery School located in Lawton, Oklahoma for training as a military occupational specialty (forward observer). Forward observers deploy with maneuver units (infantry, armor and aviation) and are trained to support ground elements in close combat. Training includes calling live fire missions from multiple assets.

Neil was then assigned to the 101st Airborne Division located at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky where he attended the United States Army Air Assault School earning the Air Assault Badge.

The Air Assault course taxes the candidates both mentally and physically. Students are required to complete a 12-mile ruck march with a heavy pack and weapon in three hours. Graduation also requires rappelling out of a UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter from 90 feet, successfully inspecting items for "sling load" transport by helicopter, and completing a grueling obstacle course immediately after taking an Army Physical Fitness Test. Neil was also recently promoted to private first class (PFC), after just over one year in the Army.

Brad graduated in 2017 and also attended basic combat training at the Army Infantry School located at Ft. Benning. He chose a Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) of infantryman. This training is referred to as One Stop Unit Training or OSUT. These infantry soldiers complete both basic training and their MOS training at one location. The mission of the infantry is to close with the enemy by means of fire and maneuver to destroy or capture him, or to repel his assault with fire, close combat, and counterattack. Brad has completed the basic training portion of his OSUT earning the title of "soldier" and right to wear the black beret. He will graduate from the infantry portion of his training in early November and earn the right to wear the coveted cross rifles and blue Infantry cord.

The brothers both plan on attending college upon completion of their three-year obligation. Under the Texas Hazlewood act and the Post 911 G.I. bill, they will have the opportunity to attend college at no cost.

Both brothers follow in a rich history of military tradition. Their mother Alexandra also enlisted while still in high school and served as a Patriot Missile Crewmember at Ft. Bliss Texas. Their father Matt served for 20 years on active duty as both an enlisted member and officer, retiring as a major in 2011.

Mineola Band earns second place in Sunnyvale

On Oct. 7 the Mineola Marching Band went to the Sunnyvale Marching Festival at Sunnyvale High School. The band received second place behind a 5A school from Garland.

There were 24 bands at the contest in all and

Mineola received the Outstanding 3A band title. The band also earned Outstanding guard, percussion, winds and general effect at the Mesquite Marching Festival the same day.

This past Saturday Oct. 14 Mineola placed

fifth behind 5A and 6A schools at the Royse City Festival. Mineola was the only small school to receive a first division and was also named the Outstanding 3A band, Outstanding color guard, Outstanding percussion and Outstanding

Chamber announces Iron Horse Festival activities

The Mineola Chamber of Commerce is preparing for the Iron Horse Festival on Saturday Oct. 28 with a variety of events and activities planned.

The annual Iron Horse festival celebrates Mineola's rich railroad history with music, food shopping and children's activities set in Mineola's historic downtown areas. Some of the activities include a wiener dog race, vendor booths and a horse shoe competition.

The chamber is encouraging all interested vendors to sign up for a booth at the Iron Horse Festival. Booths will be set up downtown near Johnson Street.

Contact the Mineola chamber office at 903 569-2087 for more information and applications for vendor booths.

The Iron Horse Festival will hold a Cruise Car Show will also be held

from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Commerce Street downtown. This is the annual car show organized by Bob Smith who can be contacted at Bob Smith Auto Sales.

Iron Horse Festival is also providing train rides starting at the chamber of commerce office on North Johnson Street from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The festival will also host a Weiner Dog race. The races will be held Saturday Oct. 28, with check in at 9 a.m. and races to begin at 4 p.m.

There will be two brackets, a championship bracket and a consolation bracket. Dogs losing in the championship bracket will go to the consolation bracket with a one-time option to buy back into the championship bracket on the next qualifying heat providing there are enough registered dogs for a second championship heat otherwise they must go to the consolation

bracket.

Races will be held at the Mineola gazebo.

Trophies and prizes will also be given.

The festival will also include a horseshoe tournament that will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The tournament will take place on Front Street. Entry fee is \$60 per team and a cash prize will be given to the winner.

Registration for the competition is available at City National Bank or at the Mineola Chamber of Commerce office.

The festival will also include a musical performances by headliners Meredith Crawford and Heather Little from 6-7 p.m. along with the Hainesville Travelin' Radio which will also be at the gazebo from 7 to 9 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 28.

35th Annual Sweet Potato Festival starts next week

The Golden Sweet Potato Festival kicks off Thursday Oct. 26 in Golden. The 35th annual festival will include various activities with games, music, contests, and many other events.

Beginning Thursday, Oct. 26 the Golden Beauty Pageant will start at 6 p.m. and a final winner will be crowned Saturday after the Parade. The winner will be crowned by the Miss Texas pageant winner.

For information about the location of the pageant please call Debbie Nivision at 903-638-6006.

On Friday Oct. 27 at 6 p.m. the Mutton Bustin contest will begin

at 6 p.m. Following that event will be Gospel Night which is slated to start at 7 p.m. Friday under the pavilion.

On Saturday, Oct. 28 the baking contest will be held. There is no entry fee and the first place prize wins \$100. The contest will feature two separate divisions for ages 18 and younger or 19 and older. Entries will need to be turned in to the Harold Simmons Community Center by 9 a.m. Saturday. For more information call Angie Monk at 903-763-2924

The festival will also feature a parade that will begin at 10 a.m.

through downtown Golden by the pavilion.

There will also be a tractor pull completion beginning at 11 a.m. and will begin at the United Methodist Church.

There will also be a sweet potato auction from 1 to 2 p.m. a pie eating contest at 3 p.m. and a country western dance from 7 to 9 p.m. All donations are welcomed and vendors interested in setting up a booth can call Sancy Green at 903-279-8440 or Ron Davis at 903-569-5249. Also visit goldensweetpotatofestival.org for all registration and details on the festival.

Star gazing planned for Friday at Nature Preserve

The Astronomical Society of East Texas will present Star Gazing at the Mineola Nature Preserve on Friday.

This is a free program and everyone is invited. The activity begins about 9 p.m. so you can see where we will be and will end about 11. The location will be at the amphitheater next to the pavilion. The program is a group exercise in identifying objects in the night sky that can be seen with binoculars or the naked eye (naked eye astronomy). There could be a sighting of the International Space Station and possible rare signals from iridium flares that

evening.

This is a weather permitting program. In the event of inclement weather or cloud cover, the program will be cancelled. A notice will be posted in the calendar page of the Society's website, asetexas.org, or their Facebook page on the date, a sign will be posted at the preserve entrance and an announcement will be aired by radio station KMOO.

Those who attend are advised to keep an eye on the weather and dress appropriately for it. It is advised to wear clothing to ward off the mosquitoes and those attending are asked to not bring

aerosols; use mosquito wipes instead.

For more informa-

tion contact the group at info@asetexas.com or text to 903-520-7338.

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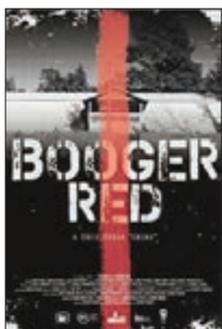
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- Food
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Booger Red to be shown Saturday in Tyler

The Texas-based film entitled "Booger Red" will be shown Saturday at 7 p.m. at the Liberty Theater in Tyler.

The film is based on a 2009 Texas Monthly article by Michael Hall and premiered at the American Film Festival in Wroclaw, Poland. Its U.S. premiere was at the Austin Film Festival. It is a hybrid blend of documentary and narrative techniques.



Seven people were sentenced to life in prison for purportedly running the largest child sex ring in Texas state history. In addition to Smith County, the story had ties to a swingers club that operated briefly in Mineola.

The movie was shot in East Texas and tickets for the event will cost \$5 each.

The theater is located at 103 East Erwin Street in Tyler.

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Story of hope and transformation

Traumatic brain injury survivor shares journey to seeing life in a new way

By **DORIS NEWMAN**
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In 2002, July 15 to be exact, vivacious and talented Patti Foster helped judge the Miss Mineola Pageant naming Abby Haston the winner. Three days later, near Bullard, the Tahoe she was riding in was stopped at a red light and a semi-truck going 70 miles per hour careened into the back of it. The injuries she sustained from the horrific crash threatened to take her life.

But they didn't. Foster is a former "morning girl" on Christian radio stations KVNE and KGLY. She had left for a time and worked for WRN serving northern Indiana and southern Michigan. In 2002 she had just come back from the north and was one of four women riding in the Tahoe going to a Bible study. The driver had stopped at the intersection of Farm-to-Market 344 and Highway 69 for a red light. It was 6:45 p.m. and there were lots of vehicles at the intersection.

Foster was in the back seat behind the driver and had just removed her safety belt. She was taking flowers to the women at the Bible study and she turned to look at the flowers. "And I as turned, bam! That's when the impact happened."

The tractor-trailer pulling a loaded car hauler plowed in to the back of the Tahoe. The force shot her "like a missile" out the opposite side of the back of the Tahoe "through a window that's not designed to be open."

"And then, as soon as my body came out, they said faster than you can measure time the Tahoe closed like an accordion."

Witnesses recounted when she came out of the vehicle, her body went up into the air and "and they

said it was very much like I had been suspended in the air like God had suspended me in his hands above that very SUV I've just been ejected out of. And then when I went down, when the SUV had spun from beneath me they said my body shot down to the ground and skidded the distance of three stories across the highway and landed in a lane of traffic."

Her injuries included cuts caused by flying through glass in the window. She said it was as if the right side of her face had been ripped from the cheek up to the ear. The orifice for her eye was fractured and her eyeball was hanging out. She had skidded across the hot highway and her raw wounds had gotten dirt and asphalt in them. She was fractured from her head to her toes, including two of the vertebrae in her back and she lost over 60 percent of her blood.

She said a crowd had gathered around her and some were praying. Some shielded her body from the sun because the temperature was 100 degrees. "There was no life in me, so the white sheet was pulled over me."

But that is not where her story ended.

One of the bystanders heard a gurgling noise from beneath the white sheet and medical responders took action for her to be transported by the Flight for Life. As the

flight medic and nurse were stabilizing her to be put on the helicopter, "That's when my body shut down in a coma," she said as she snapped her fingers. Foster was taken to East Texas Medical Center in Tyler where she remained in a coma for six weeks.

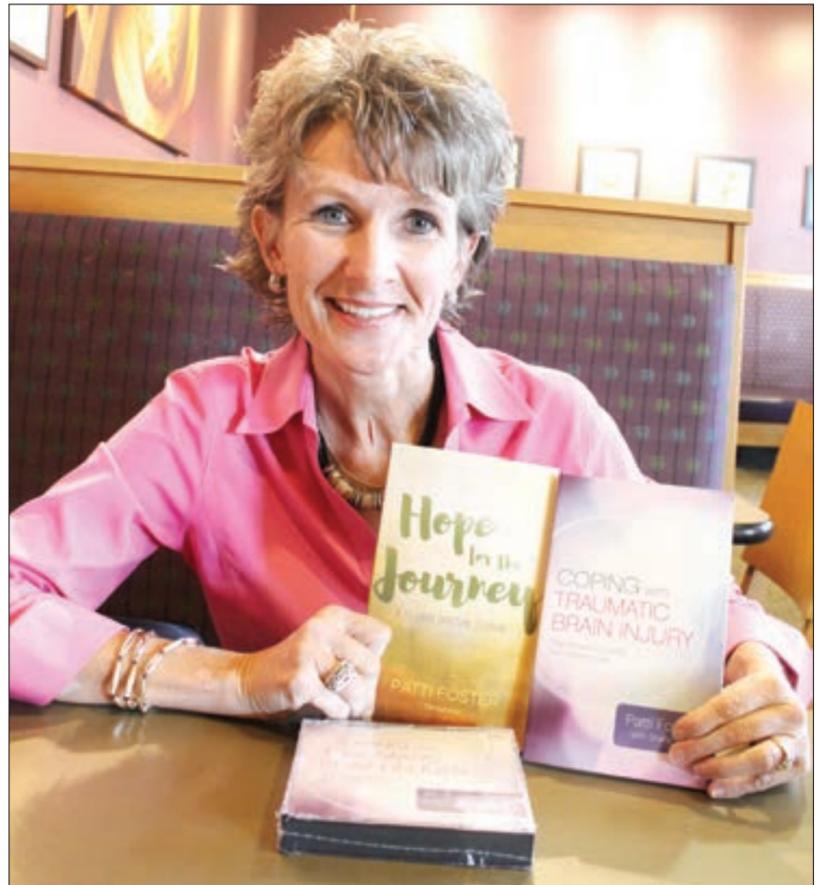
"For six weeks I was like a living dead person at ETMC." Her medical team expected the worst, and they prepared her parents that she would either die, or "if" she said with emphasis, she lived, she would be "a persistent vegetable" for the rest of her life.

"My body didn't stop. What a fight," she said decisively. "I have no memory, thankfully."

"But look at how God was weaving the threads of my life. And in the midst of what made no sense to anyone. Could not be explained. So it just shows, miracles do happen."

Foster bravely forged forward in her story but when she recounted the fate of her friends in the Tahoe, her voice trembled and she struggled to continue. The front seat passenger's name was Heather, and it was thought she would survive from the crash, but the severity of her injuries proved otherwise. "She was the neatest person. She was one of the youngest of our group because we had several who had just graduated high school. She had already been accepted for pre-med and to know Heather was to love Heather."

The driver was pregnant with her first child, which she lost as a result of the wreck. And the other back



Patti Foster is happy to offer hope and help to anyone suffering from a brain injury. She has written books, one of which was put on CD, to help people recovering from brain injuries with their comprehension. BE-LOW: The Tahoe that Patti Foster and three friends from Bible study were riding in was stopped at a red light when a loaded semi-truck barreled in to the back going 70 miles per hour. Foster was in the back on the driver's side and was ejected through the back nonopening window on the passenger side.

seat passenger suffered "a lot of nerve damage" as well as injuries to her neck, shoulders and arm.

It was discovered five different drugs were in the truck driver's blood and he was talking on his cellphone. The judge gave him three life sentences, back to back. And, there is also an overpass at the intersection, largely as a part of the wreck and many others.

Foster has been told that with the severity of her injury her brain and her body suffered she was in the eighth percentile bracket of that severity to recover to become the incredibly high functioning person that she is. "This is the entire world. It shows how brain injury is in dire need of people who have been there to come alongside the researchers around the world who deal with brain injury, whether it is traumatic or acquired. And then to be alongside those neurosurgeons as someone who has lived it. As I say, statistics with skin on."

That "high functioning" person has gone back to doing "voice over" work for audio projects, is an author and motivational speaker and more. She travels throughout the United States and world attending seminars and serving as a representative of several brain injury organizations. She volunteers at Baylor Hospital in Dallas where she spent so much time rehabilitating. Plus, a vocal major, she continues to judge all region choir, solo and ensemble events for middle and high school students for the Texas Music Educators Association of which she is a member.

There are many things that Foster learned from her experience that she shares with others. She says a large part of the way she helps is just listening, and letting a person who is recovering from a brain injury just talk. It is a comfort for them to know that "she gets it."

Asked what someone recovering from a brain injury needs to know she answered promptly, "Have mercy on yourself and your caregivers. Don't be so hard on yourself."

She pointed out in today's world "there are a jillion things hitting us, all at the same time - vying for our attention." She points to brain stimuli

for everyone, "And then you're dealing with a damaged brain with all of that brain stimuli coming in at the same time. Expecting instantaneous response? Look at that pressure. How much more we need mercy."

As far as family members of someone recovering from a brain injury, she said it is not only important to have mercy, but to find other family members who have also gone through a brain injury with a family member. She urges them to spend time with those other family members, talking with them, asking questions and writing down answers. She also suggests finding a support group, even if it requires driving somewhere to attend. "It's worth it. And go check out that support group. Don't commit to it yet. Find out if it fits you." She said it should match the person's needs, including for support. And if it doesn't, "fine," she says every so pleasantly. "Go check out another one."

"When you get to one and it does fit, you feel like," she says with a heavy sigh, "it's a family. I fit here." Joining and treating it like family can be healing. "Spend that time. Ask those questions and let others, I say it like this, receive love, give love. Talk. Listen. Oh how we can help each other by going to others who have gone through something similar, any kind of brain injury. But don't put any kind of brain injury in a box." She said that while they all may be similar, every case is unique.

"We can help one another through what we've experienced. What we've learned." She said that is why she wrote her most recent book, "Hope for the Journey," which is a 52-week "spiritual journal." It goes by the week, with questions to ponder for each day, "because in brain injury, every day changing is incredibly difficult for my processor to understand, to focus, to coordinate."

Asked the difference between who she was before and now after the injury, Foster quickly answered, "Multi-tasking is a major change." Before the wreck she was "quite a multitasker, full of life, fully alive, incredibly vivacious. I would have a go at anything and my

body could move, my vocal cords could move but since the wreck, since the brain injury, multi-tasking is not anything that I can do anymore." She said she doesn't have the brain capacity for that anymore so she does a lot of things back to back.

"I simply tell myself, Patti, just do the next thing. Not everything at once. Don't dwell on it."

She spends her energy moving forward, "So whatever struggles I have, I face them. I persevere... Don't give up. And my faith helps me huge. Because it's real to me. It's not from mere word on a page. But I also believe that when you taste death and you have to learn to live again you have a different perspective for living."

Foster has a motto, MAD now, which stands for Make A Difference now. The reason - "We don't know how many moments we have left. Nor do we know the quality of those moments. Doesn't matter if you're old or in-between. It does not matter."

"So," she said with a deepening of her voice, "I chose to lay hold of that. Not that I am anything above or less than, but while I have the moment I want to help. I want to bring hope. I want to make a difference that lasts. The impact that truly does make a difference and for that person, survivor, friend or family member."

She says that people who have brain injuries would like for others to treat them with patience. "Give us a little more time to answer that question. Give us a little more time to think... Please try not to step on our silence. Because if we're silent, we're thinking." If the silence extends beyond say maybe 15, 20 or 30 seconds, "Perhaps give the brain injured a hint, not the exact answer. Let us learn again. Let us try again. Let us learn from our mistakes."

Foster said that people find it hard to believe that she ever had a brain injury and that is very accurate. One can't tell that this entertaining, intelligent and lively woman once spent six weeks in a coma and was expected to be a vegetable if she even lived. As she was awakening from her coma after many



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1 TXism: "cold ___ outhouse in January"

5 TX youngster game: "___ and seek"

6 many Texans have big ones

7 TX or Iowa town

8 Gov. "___ Ferguson was impeached"

9 TXism: "within ___ shot" (close)

12 Amarillo hosts "___ State Fair & Rodeo"

15 TXism: "covered like fur ___ cat"

17 TX Comanche got its name from these Colorado Indians

19 in Karnes County on highway 72

22 mistake made by a running back (3 wds.)

25 rattlesnake juice

30 TXism: "hard row to ___"

31 this Myers designed the TX Capitol (init.)

32 TXism: "put a pencil to ___ (calculate)"

33 TXism: "got an ___ (saw a lot)"

35 in Hidalgo County on highway 107

37 TXism: "stingin' stick" (cattle ___)

39 TXism: "that's a fine how ___ you do"

40 Alain Delon movie about TX (4 wds.)

44 latest styles

45 "The Eyes of Texas ___ Upon You"

46 Houston has big ___ space industry

47 TXism: "stick-in-the-___"

48 retired QB Bradshaw who lives in Dallas (init.)

50 Waco singer Thompson

52 TX-founded ___ Baird's

53 famous TX brand of Swenson Cattle Co.

54 TXism: "___ enough to give a sermon" (dressed up)

57 TXism: "he's only got one ___ in the water" (slow)

58 Waco actress, Gwynne

59 sagacious

61 "___ but true"

62 this Thomas was first TX woman in U.S. Congress

64 TX Gipson wrote book "___ Yeller"

65 Beatty of film "The Life and Times of Judge Roy Bean"

DOWN

1 TXism: "I'm in ___ ___ trouble"

2 UT frat closed in 1990 for hazing

3 female deer (2 wds.)

4 "Untouchable" Elliott

9 between Dallas and Fort Worth

10 devoured

11 retired TX Adair

12 an earthquake

13 massage

14 TXism: "two peas ___ pod"

16 in Lamb County off U.S. 84

18 Breckenridge's county

20 engineless aircraft

21 Gilley's famous mechanical bull

23 cowboy tie

24 TXism: "___ abouts"

25 "critter" doctor

26 TXism: "we're seein' ___ to eye"

27 Conway Twitty's "___ in Line"

28 Austin seal has Stephen F.'s coat

29 Waco has the Dr Pepper ___

30 TXism: "gentle ___ a merry-go-round"

31 ___ back rattler

41 ___ ROM

42 Am ___ (train)

43 Val ___ TX

49 "___ off steam"

51 "fueled" AM/FM in Carthage

55 "Burn" Phillips

56 TXism: "hungry as a goat ___"

58 concrete pasture"

60 honorary TX Ranger: ___ Stanley Gardner

63 TXism: "it don't ___ up"

Mineola Police Report

Mineola police reports for the past week included:

Oct. 11 – An offer was requested at the Andrews Center for a welfare concern.

A disturbance was reported between a mother and a daughter. The daughter reported she was assaulted by her mother.

At 8 p.m. police were called out of concern for a woman sitting in a vehicle at the old Laundromat on Newsom at Blair Street for a long time. She was provided with lodging for the night.

A disturbance was reported on Peachtree Street when a woman tried to leave and her boyfriend would not give her her keys. She left for the night when the officer arrived.

Oct. 10 – At 12:18 a.m. police were called to check out a noise in a resident's garage on Turman Street. It was determined a cat jumped on the hood of a vehicle, setting off the alarm.

A disturbance was reported on West Patten Street between two sisters. No charges were filed.

At 6:20 p.m. a woman was stranded

at the train depot and needed to get to Lindale. An officer assisted her.

Oct. 9 – Officers were called to a verbal disturbance on Meredith Street. Those involved were separated for the day.

At 1:24 p.m. someone called police out of concern for the welfare of a young boy who was upset and seen getting out of a truck in the Pizza Hut parking lot. The truck left, then minutes later returned and picked the boy up, with him still being very upset. A deputy was asked to go to the boy's residence in the county to check on him. It was found that he was 13 and it was a disciplinary issue and he was fine.

A Mineola officer stopped a vehicle that was being sought by the sheriff's department due to a report of an assault on the side of Highway 80 west. The vehicle was stopped inside the city limits and emergency medical responders were contacted for the victim. The sheriff's department was contacted to investigate the assault.

Officers were called to Meredith Street for a disturbance but it turned out to only be an argument.

A business owner on North Johnson Street reported young people on the roof of the building at 7:31 p.m. Officers checked and didn't find anyone, but continued patrolling the area.

Oct. 8 – a man on Kings Lane reported being stalked by his ex-wife. The ex-wife was talked to and issued a criminal trespass warning from his property.

Officers assisted EMS with a suicidal woman on Newsom Street. They talked to her and she went voluntarily with the medical responders.

A woman reported her ex-husband would not leave her house and was causing problems. However, he did leave the house on East McDonald Street before an officer arrived.

Police arrested Clinton Thomas Dickerson, 30, Lindale for possession of marijuana. An officer had stopped Dickerson for speeding on East Broad Street.

Oct. 7 – Police arrested Raymond Blake Caulk, 33, Mineola, at his residence on West Patten Street on a warrant from the Alba Police Department for engaging in organized criminal activity.

A woman reported telephone harassment by her ex-boyfriend's girlfriend. Police talked to the woman and told her to stop calling.

A group of people who were in the Walmart parking lot begging for money were asked to leave the location.

Oct. 6 – Officers were called to an inquest on West Kilpatrick Street for a 67-year-old man who had been in Hospice care.

Police were called at 11:40 p.m. to Walmart where a group of teenagers on motorized scooters were running in to people. However, they were gone when an officer arrived.

Oct. 5 – Police were called to Walmart at 1:41 a.m. about a shopper who was possibly drunk. They talked with the man who was not intoxicated and he left the store.

An ATM card was found at the machine at BTH. The owner could not be contacted and the card was turned in to the bank.

A wallet was located in the parking lot of Bush's Chicken and turned in to the police department. The owner was contacted and the wallet was returned.

Wood County Sheriff's Report

Wood County Sheriff's Department activities for the past week included:

Oct. 10 - Deputies went out on an arrest warrant to Farm to Market 17 near Alba at 8:19 p.m. James Davis, 37, of Alba was arrested for an outstanding warrant.

Oct. 9 - Deputies received a report related to fraud that occurred on Highway 11 near Leesburg. A known person was using the reporting party's bank account without authorization. This case has been forwarded to investigators.

Oct. 8 - Deputies responded to a report about a person on Highway 69 near Alba at 8:30 p.m. Rodney White, 55, of Gladewater, was arrested for public intoxication.

Deputies were dispatched to County Road 2117 near Quitman at 7:15 p.m. on an inquest. A male, 50, was found deceased in his residence.

The justice of the peace arrived and ordered an autopsy. This case has been forwarded to investigators.

Deputies spoke with a reporting party, at 2:37 p.m., on a burglary that occurred on County Road 1418 near Quitman. Thieves stole a television out of the reporting party's residence. This case has been forwarded to investigators.

Deputies were dispatched to County Road 3954 near Mineola at 2:06 p.m., on theft. Thieves stole a stock trailer from the reporting party's property. This case has been forwarded to investigators.

Deputies were dispatched to Highway 154/Farm to Market 514 near Yantis at 12:48 a.m. on criminal mischief. Unknown suspects damaged the reporting party's vehicle. This case has been forwarded to investigators.

Deputies spoke with a

Oct. 7 - Deputies were dispatched to County Road 2245 near Mineola at 9 p.m. on criminal trespass. This case is active.

Deputies were dispatched to Private Road 7141 near Quitman at 1:12 p.m. on a theft. Thieves stole a trailer from the reporting party's property. This case has been forwarded to investigators.

Oct. 6 - Deputies spoke with a person 8:36 a.m. on a theft that occurred on FM 2869 near Hawkins. Thieves stole a trailer from the reporting party's property. This case has been forwarded to investigators.

Oct. 5 - Deputies spoke with a person at 5:44 p.m. on a theft that occurred on County Road 2267 near Mineola. Thieves stole a purse from the reporting party's property. This case has been forwarded to investigators.

Deputies spoke with a

person at 5:27 p.m., on a burglary that occurred on County Road 4490 near Winnsboro. Thieves stole several items from the reporting party's residence. This case has been forwarded to investigators.

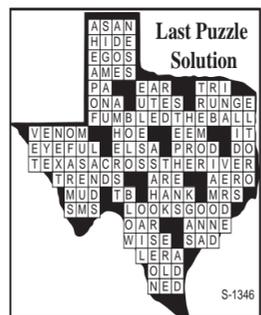
Oct. 4 - Deputies conducted a traffic stop on FM 2869 near Hawkins at 8:04 p.m. Steven Largent, 55, of Big Sandy was arrested for an outstanding warrant.

Deputies spoke with a person at 2:53 p.m., on a theft that occurred on Main Street in Quitman. A known person hindered a secured creditor. This case has been forwarded to investigators.

Deputies were dispatched to FM 2088 near Quitman at 12:25 p.m. on a burglary. Thieves dam-

aged the reporting party's property and stole several tools. This case has been forwarded to investigators.

Deputies were dispatched to Highway 182 near Alba at 7:19 a.m. on criminal trespass. suspects fled the scene, prior to the deputies' arrival. This case has been forwarded to investigators.



Mineola Fire Report

Mineola Fire Department calls for the past week included:

Grass fire – Oct. 6, 12:34 p.m. on Farm-to-Market 1799. The fire burned about a quarter of an acre and started from a brush pile;

Medical assists – Oct. 6, at 7:13 a.m. on West Kilpatrick and at 1:46 p.m. on

Loop 564; Oct. 8, at 10:03 a.m. to Maxine Drive and 6:30 p.m. to West Broad; Oct. 9, at 5:14 p.m. to Loop 564 and at 3:08 p.m. to Private Road 6226.

The department was also dispatched to assist Alba on a structure fire on Oct. 8 at 4:59 p.m. on CR 2954 in Alba, but was canceled.

This week

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stew, chili and gumbo. The Pie Baking contest will be judged at 11:30 a.m. with pies needing to be delivered at 11 a.m.

• The Quitman Youth Foundation 60th anniversary celebration "Youthtoberfest" is Sunday beginning at 1 p.m. There will be activities for the entire family including a dunking booth, team sports, prizes and a corn-hole tournament. A new sign, which will say Dawson Sports Complex, will be unveiled.

• Monday sees early voting begin on some school district issues and state constitutional amendments. Early voting continues through Nov. 3 (see stories for details).

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Mineola Memorial Library Notes

BY LIBRARIAN MARY HURLEY

October has been a terrific month!

The Friends of the Library met at the Mineola Nature Preserve and learned a lot about the preserve and its history and future. It was a really nice day to be outside and enjoy the view, too. The Friends of the Mineola Memorial Library will be manning an informational booth at the Iron Horse Festival in Mineola on Oct. 28. Please, stop by the booth and find out about activities at the library as well as the Friends organization.

A great big thank you to the volunteers who are helping out at the library during this month of October. Three of the library employees are members of the Mineola High School Marching Band. Sept. 30, Oct. 7, and Oct. 14 were days those students were marching and playing in competition. Oct. 24 will be UIL competition and we will see what happens after that contest. Our volunteers and dedicated staff have made it possible for these students to



compete and this library director (also a proud mom of a senior trombone player) to attend these competitions.

Here is another frequently asked question: what are the library's hours? The library is open Tuesday to Saturday beginning at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday it closes at 5:30 p.m. Friday it closes at 5 p.m. Saturday it closes at 4 p.m. The library is closed on Sunday and Monday. Books and other items needing to be returned when the library is closed may be placed in either the book drop or the video drop located on the front porch of the library.

The Library Book Club will meet Thursday at 6 p.m. to discuss "News of the World" by Paulette Jiles. This book is a western set in Texas after the Civil War. A young child was stolen by the Kiowa and is now being returned to her family in the company of a man of about 70. This story follows their journey back to the San Antonio area and how their feelings of animosity toward each other change with

the passage of time.

The Library Book Sale will be Saturday from 9 a.m. to about 2 p.m. depending on weather. Items are added to the inventory each month. Check out the book sale and help support the library with your purchases.

After school programs continue to meet on Tuesdays at 4 p.m. There are story times for Toddlers and their caregivers at 10:15 a.m. on Wednesday mornings and for Preschoolers and their caregivers at 11:15 a.m. on Wednesday mornings too.

The library has received memorials for Marsha Parrish-Smith from Edith Cater and for Billy "Dude" Carter from David and Lynda Rauscher and a donation from Lucy Hebron. The library has received a subscription from Elizabeth Smith for the Christian Science Monitor.

Remember, the Mineola Memorial Library is a 501(c)3, non-profit and your donations are tax deductible.



Linda Haddock, chairman of the Historic Preservation Committee, speaker Lou Mallory and Regent Kelly Lindsey are shown at the latest DAR meeting. (Courtesy photo)

Daughters of American Revolution meet at Hogg Park

On Saturday, Oct. 7, the Elizabeth Denton English chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution held their first picnic meeting at Hogg Park in Quitman.

Speaker Lou Mallory presented a program about the history of the Hogg family and the Honeymoon Cottage which the chapter has been active in renovating the last few months.

Registrar Joeline Yates and Assistant Chaplain

Lucille Gilbreath held a new members ceremony for Rebecca Denney. Various awards were given from the Fall Forum.

Linda Haddock was awarded a New Members Course Certificate from national and the chapter was awarded a Chapter Achievement Award Level 1 for 2016.

Reports were given and the chapter planned more about their upcoming trip to Watkins-Logan

Veterans Home in Tyler in which the chapter had a day of service Saturday. The chapter also is planning an garage sale which will be held Saturday in the parking lot in front of the Honeymoon Cottage in Hogg Park.

The meeting ended with a quick tour of the Honeymoon Cottage in which various members have been volunteering their time and money at this past summer.

New program to benefit local charities

Wood County Electric Cooperative is announcing a new program, Operation Round Up, to benefit local charitable organizations.

Those members who participate will have their monthly bills rounded up to the next dollar and those pennies will then be sent to a non-profit foundation, the Wood County Electric Foundation (WCEF).

The WCEF is run by a seven member all-volunteer and non-paid board of directors. That group will then use the money to make grants to local state registered charities.

Only local non-profits served by WCEF, and that serve WCEF members,

in Camp, Franklin, Hopkins, Smith, Titus, Rains, Upshur, Van Zandt, and Wood counties will be eligible for funds.

With ORU, the average cooperative member will donate about \$6 a year, but never more than \$11.88 annually.

The types of organizations that qualify for funding will include local volunteer fire departments, food banks, civic organizations, child welfare groups, economic development organizations, health/wellness foundations, animal rescues, museums and libraries, performing arts centers and parks and recreation facilities.

WCEC members that would like to participate don't need to take any action. First accounts, except pre-pay accounts, will be automatically opted-in starting with the November 2017 billing cycle. The rounded-up amount will then appear on the bills received in December. If for any reason a member wants to opt-out they should call or email the cooperative. Members can opt in or out at any time.

Members may also opt-in to include more than their first account. And, anyone can contribute to the foundation, member or non-member, by writing a check to the foundation.

Pilot Club's Annual Memory Walk scheduled Nov. 2

The Pilot Club of Mineola will host their Annual Alzheimer Memorial Walk on Thursday, Nov. 2, at 5:30 p.m. at the Mineola Civic Center.

Funds raised by the walk will be used to support local Pilot Club Alzheimer related projects and by the Alzheimer Association to fund research and support for caregivers in the Northeast Texas area.

There will be no T-shirts given this year and there will be no set amount required for walking. All donations will be appreciated.

Walkers registering as a group (clubs, businesses, schools, banks, etc.) should wear their organization's shirt and the organization with the most walkers and the one raising the most money will be awarded a plaque commemorating the event. Animals (pets) on leashes may also be entered as a walker for the group.

A balloon release memorial ceremony will be held honoring those who have Alzheimer's disease or have died as a result of it. Participants in the

walk will be served hot dogs and chili at the end of the walk. For more information you can contact Betty Curbow at 903-569-7097.

Help-A-Child event Saturday

The 10th Annual Help-A-Child Tractor Pull and Chili Cook-off will be this Saturday at Hopkins County Civic Center, 1200 Houston Street in Sulphur Springs.

The event begins at 8 a.m. with the antique tractor pull followed by the FFA mechanics project show and judging. The chili will be judged and serving will start at 11:30 a.m. with the winners being announced at 12:15 p.m.

The auction will begin at 12:30 p.m. followed by the brisket cook-off judging at 3 p.m. Brisket will be served at 4 p.m. and the gates will be open for the tractor pull. The hot rod garden tractor pull will be at 5 p.m. and the winner of the welder trailer will be announced at 6:30 p.m.

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Mineola FFA visits SFA campus

By Rachel Martinez
Mineola FFA Reporter

On Tuesday, Oct. 10 Mineola FFA members traveled to Nacogdoches to attend the annual Stephen F. Austin College of Agriculture Experience Day.

The event focused on engaging students in agriculture, forestry and environmental science at the college level.

"Out of all the colleges that I visited this has been the most informative about the industry of agriculture and has a wide range of agricultural majors," Armando Veloz, a junior at Mineola High School said.

Students also had the opportunity to participate in hands-on activities and workshops including surveying land, horticulture and agriculture mechanics. Students were also able to visit the SFA animal science facilities and experience work with university equine science students and beef production students.

"SFA hosted a variety of workshops that gave us hands-on career experience to give us some



Surveying photo is Armando Veloz.

background in how agriculture affects the environment and business. These activities gave me a preview of career options I may have in the future," Adriana Hernandez, a senior at MHS, said.

The job market for agriculturalists has grown considerably in recent years as aging farmers

and ranchers retire. This event allowed students to experience a portion of what agricultural science courses are like at the university level and has many students now thinking about a career in agriculture.

Please follow us on Facebook at Mineola FFA!



Thomas and Connie Clower of Mineola recently returned from a seven-day cruise to Alaska. In addition to celebrating 60 years of marriage this year, 2017 contained other milestones. Those include Thomas' 80th birthday and his retirement after 50 years working with the John Deere company. The cruise was a celebration of all of these, and was a gift from their children. (Courtesy photo)



Group photo from left to right Autumn Wade, Brianna Bethel, Maya Mormon, Armando Veloz, Adriana Hernandez, Rachel Martinez, Jake Haggerton and Emily Andrews.

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allocated for the construction of a new high school. The core academic facility will be built for a potential of 600 students. The design will include a cafeteria with seating capacity for 300 student, a media center, and classrooms meeting Texas Education Agency size requirements with up-to-date technology and student learning features.

While the actual square footage will be determined during the design process with community and staff input, over 7,000 square feet have been set aside for Career and Technical Education (CTE) labs and shops.

These vocational spaces will provide updated areas for Auto Technician, Welding, Construction, Industrial, and Health Sciences programs where students can earn dual credit for college and industry certifications while attending high school.

Currently, MHS is not able to offer dual credit with TJC welding and auto tech programs because our existing shops do not meet the TJC requirements.

The high school will also have an auditorium that will be attached to the campus by a common lobby. Incorporating the auditorium into the high school will save construction costs due to shared restrooms, entrances, and parking.

The plan calls for the auditorium design with a stage and supporting sound and lighting equipment that meet UIL requirements and allows for the facility to be used for events, competitions, and other outside performances. A seating capacity of 800 will allow students, staff, and parents to attend a single event as well as provide a venue to rent for outside performances, generating a revenue stream for district operations.

The November 2017 bond package also includes the renovation of the current high school. Tunnell stated this facility, while structurally sound, requires updated security with a new secure entrance, enclosure of the multipurpose building and other buildings as needed to ensure single entry access. By moving the sixth through eighth graders into the building, in place of the ninth through 12th graders, the need for the remaining buildings diminishes but allows for additional gym, band hall, and classroom space from the existing middle school campus. Technology will be updated as well during the renovation and upgrades to the classrooms.

Renovations to the ex-

isting middle school and primary school will make ready that facility to house all prekindergarten through fifth grade students under one roof. In addition to new security features, the campus will allow for better alignment between primary and elementary students. The additional space for the elementary students will be a benefit and the shared cafeteria space will no longer be a problem with the elimination of the current primary and middle school students configuration.

The new high school is planned to be constructed behind the existing middle school in closer proximity to the current stadium, baseball/softball fields, and agriculture barns. A campus road will be designed to allow for a more efficient traffic flow and access between Patten Street and Loop 564.

The bond proposal also covers the site preparation including soil costs, utility installation, and other expenses such as parking lots, and the removal of the current elementary school given its poor condition. At this time, no decision has been made to remove any other buildings. Repurposing the current auto or ag shop for maintenance department use has been discussed.

The projected estimated allocation at this time for the \$38.5 million include \$37.5 for the new high school including the auditorium and CTE space, \$1.5 million for the site development, and \$3 million for the renovations for the existing high school and current primary/middle school campus. The school board has designated \$3.5 million in the fund balance to add to the \$38.5 million bond proposal for completion of the entire package. The actual costs for each project will be determined through the bidding process and with the guaranteed maximum price established in negotiations with the contractor selected.

Tunnell said the Mineola district wants the involvement of the community in the process and will establish a Bond Oversight Committee to meet monthly throughout the course of the design and construction of the projects. The committee will ensure that bond funds are expended as proposed and provide recommendations to the board. Anyone interested in being considered for this committee is invited to contact the school administration at 903-569-2448.

The next bond information luncheon will be Thursday at noon at the Administration Building on the loop. Anyone interested in going is asked to call 903-569-2448 to make a reservation for lunch.



Only McKensie Shaff's feet are still seen as Matthew Carter operates a device that raises her from the confined space she had been in. Other students from the class who took part on top of the trailer are Brian Bryant, left, and Robert Reimers, on the right, who are overseeing the process. (Monitor photo by Doris Newman)

Water

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Fischer with the extension service said. "This trailer was in the Valley two weeks ago" and the instructor, Tim Story, planned to go to El Paso this week. "Usually the service goes to municipalities that host classes so we go and do the training."

Fischer said students will be able to take two courses via correspondence, led by one of the extension service instructors. Those two courses are the basic courses – one on water, one on wastewater – that are required to get the most basic license in the state, class D. "And so they'll have all their training that they need to get the license. The only thing they have to end up having to get the license is a high school or GED. So once they graduate, they'll end up getting a license and have a leg up over anybody else applying for a basic position at a water, wastewater utility

anywhere."

All of MHS's CTE classes took part in a session held in the back parking lot with the Confined Space Safety Training Trailer. The instructors conducted demonstrations allowing the students to practice entering a confined space utilizing self-contained breathing apparatus. It was noted that the trailer that is used statewide was designed by former Mineola Water Superintendent Richard Harbuck on a napkin and the trailer was completely outfitted by Waymon Ragsdale, also of Mineola.

Water and wastewater operator positions provide a stable career with benefits and opportunities for progression. Industry demand for workers in this occupational career field continues to grow due to economic growth, aging infrastructure and workforce demographics.

Fischer said the jobs begin with "run of the mill ditch digger type but over time if you keep moving up you increase your training, level of license complexity, you can move from a small utility to

a larger utility." He said that people who advance their education even further into the sciences have the possibility of promotion to manager or public works director, depending on the size of the town.

One of the MHS seniors, Travis Toledo watched as the water demonstrations was taking place. He enjoyed the demonstration and said the trailer caught his attention due to the amount of equipment on it. "I'm sort of familiar with it... I like using my hands. I'm hands-on. I like to learn like that."

"It's a great thing to teach kids still in high school about the equipment and how it's used. It just gives you a better view how this field can work instead of sitting down with a piece of paper."

Israel Rivera, a sophomore said the demonstration was pretty interesting, although he is looking to become an eye doctor or into some other field of medicine. Nonetheless, he said, "It's pretty educational for people who don't know anything about the field."



Shown is Joy Johnson, program manager with the Northeast Texas Public Health District, speaking to the Friends of the Quitman Public Library. She presented blood pressure cuffs last Tuesday making the library the first Blood Pressure Lending Library in the State. (Courtesy photo)

Library

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well as a survey. The kits are available at the Quitman Public Library, and may be checked out for a two-week period with one renewal allowed.

"This program is a perfect addition to the library's Smart Communities Initiative that is designed to connect people with the information and technology in order to bring forth an improved quality of life, greater innovation and better choices," says Library Director Delene Allen.

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Survivor

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months she said, "I could not understand all of the words and the processing was very slow for me for something to be heard, but to coordinate the meaning, incredibly difficult. Took a long time to come back."

She said that therapy helped to teach her spare brain cells new functions and one of them was about nonverbal communication "because that was my first language."

Foster said that nonverbal communication makes up 90 to 93 percent of a person's communication. "Your eyes, your facial expression, your touch, your tone of voice, your speed of speech, our walking gait, the way you hold yourself," she said.

She said after she began awakening from the coma, "The question hit me. What does your life say when your mouth isn't moving? Patti, be about life on purpose," she said emphatically but softly. She asked herself what all of her nonverbal communications including

even "the way you look when no one is looking at you you know of" said about her. "That either draws people to you, or," she made a little quick repetitive sound with her mouth, "drives them from you. Your choice."

"Through brain trauma," she said, "look at the way the Lord blessed me to say Patti, let's see for real here. Let's be real in life. Let's don't play the game. Let's not check off the list."

She has been left with a new awareness about life after having to learn how to do everything again. That included learning everything from al-

lowing someone to put a spoon in her mouth to the ABCs and writing, "killer hard," she said sighing. "It even hurts to talk about it." She had to learn how to use the entire right side of her body again.

"It helps to reveal to us what's really important. Lay hold of that. Pay attention to that. And don't let the culture around us, I don't care what country an individual is in, don't let the culture decide for you what's important and what's not. Life matters. People matter. Relationships matter. Lay hold of the moment. Lay hold of the opportunity."

Foster has relied upon her relationship with God throughout her ordeal. Psalm 40, verse 1 is particularly special to her. She was learning to read in transitional rehabilitation and some family friends had given her a Bible. She went to bed early every night, exhausted from trying to learn to read. "And so my Bible fell open and my eyes went straight to that verse. I had no memory, no recollection of Bible verses. My brain was barely alive so it wasn't even capable of doing that."

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NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION - MINEOLA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in the Mineola Independent School District on November 7, 2017 CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,500,000 FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES, AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF, ALL in obedience to an order duly entered by the Board of Trustees of the Mineola Independent School District on August 15, 2017, which order reads in pertinent part (and the entirety of which is posted on the District's Internet website) as follows:

SECTION 1: The Election shall be held in the MINEOLA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT on the 7th day of November, 2017 (Election Day), which is a uniform election date under the Texas Election Code, as amended, and is 78 or more days from the date of the adoption of this order (the Order), for the purpose of submitting the following proposition to the qualified voters of the District:

"Shall the Board of Trustees of the Mineola Independent School District be authorized to issue and sell bonds of the District in the principal amount of \$38,500,000 for the purposes of designing, constructing, renovating, improving, acquiring, and equipping school facilities (and any necessary or related removal of existing facilities), and the purchase of the 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?"

SECTION 2: One or more school election precincts are hereby established for the purpose of holding the Election, and one or more polling places are hereby designated for holding the Election in the school election precincts as identified in Exhibit A to this Order (which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes). At least 79 days prior to the scheduled Election Day, or as soon thereafter as is reasonably practicable, the President, Board of Trustees, the Superintendent of Schools, or the respective designees thereof, in coordination with the Administrator, will identify and formally approve the appointment of the Presiding Judge, Alternate Presiding Judges, Election Clerks, and all other election officials for the Election, together with any other necessary changes to election practices and procedures and can correct, modify, or change the Exhibits to this Order based upon the final locations and times agreed upon by the District, the Administrator, and the Participants, if any and as applicable, to the extent permitted by applicable law.

A. The Presiding Judge shall appoint not less than two resident qualified voters of the District to act as clerks in order to properly conduct the Election. To the extent required by the Texas Election Code, as amended, or other applicable law, the appointment of these clerks must include a person fluent in the Spanish language to serve as a clerk to render oral aid in the Spanish language to any voter desiring such aid at the polls on Election Day. If the Presiding Judge appointed actually serves, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall serve as one of the clerks. In the absence of the Presiding Judge, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall perform the duties of the Presiding Judge of the election precinct.

B. On Election Day, the polls shall be open as designated on Exhibit A.

C. The main early voting location is designated in Exhibit B to this Order (which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes). The individual named as the Early Voting Clerk as designated in Exhibit B is hereby appointed as the Early Voting Clerk to conduct such early voting in the Election. The Early Voting Clerk shall appoint the Deputy Early Voting Clerks. This office or place shall remain open to permit early voting on the days and at the times as stated in Exhibit B. Early voting shall commence as provided on Exhibit B and continue through the date set forth on Exhibit B, all as provided by the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended.

Additionally, permanent and/or temporary branch offices for early voting by personal appearance may be established and maintained in accordance with the Texas Election Code. In the event such permanent and/or temporary branch locations are established, information regarding the locations, dates, and hours of operation for early voting at these offices shall be determined by the Administrator, as identified in Exhibit B hereto.

An Early Voting Ballot Board is hereby established for the purpose of processing early voting results. The individual designated in Exhibit B as the Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board is hereby appointed the Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board. The Presiding Judge shall appoint not less than two resident qualified voters of the District to serve as members of the Early Voting Ballot Board.

SECTION 3: Electronic voting machines may be used in holding and conducting the Election on Election Day; provided, however, in the event the use of such electronic voting machines is not practicable, the Election may be conducted on Election Day by the use of paper ballots (except as otherwise provided in this section). Electronic voting machines or paper ballots may be used for early voting by personal appearance (except as otherwise provided in this section). Pursuant to Section 61.012, as amended, Texas Election Code, the District shall provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling place used in the Election. Such voting system shall comply with Texas and federal laws establishing the requirement for voting systems that permit voters with physical disabilities to cast a secret ballot. Any legally permissible voting method may be used for early voting and Election Day voting by personal appearance. Certain early voting may be conducted by mail.

SECTION 4: The District shall also utilize a Central Counting Station (*the Station*) as provided by Section 127.001, et seq., as amended, Texas Election Code. The Administrator, or the designee thereof, is hereby appointed as the Manager of the Station, who will establish a written plan for the orderly operation of the Station in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code. The Board hereby authorizes the Administrator, or the designee thereof, to appoint the Presiding Judge of the Station, the Tabulation Supervisor, and the Programmer for the Station and may appoint Station clerks as needed or desirable. The Administrator will publish (or cause to be published) notice and conduct testing on the automatic tabulation equipment relating to the Station and conduct instruction for the officials and clerks for the Station in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

SECTION 5: The official ballot shall be prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended, so as to permit voters to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid proposition which shall appear on the ballot substantially as follows:

"THE ISSUANCE OF \$38,500,000 OF BONDS BY THE MINEOLA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES, AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF"

SECTION 6: All resident, qualified voters of the District shall be permitted to vote at the Election, and on Election Day, such voters shall vote at the designated polling place. The Election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended, except as modified by the provisions of the Texas Education Code, as amended, and as may be required by law. To the extent required by law, all election materials and proceedings relating to the Election shall be printed in both English and Spanish.

SECTION 7: A substantial copy of this Order shall serve as proper notice of the Election. This notice, including a Spanish translation thereof, shall be published at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the District, with such publication occurring not more than 30 days and not less than 10 days before Election Day. Additionally, this notice, including a Spanish translation thereof, shall be posted (i) on the bulletin board used for posting notices of Board meetings not later than 21 days prior to Election Day, (ii) in three public places within the District's boundaries not later than 21 days prior to Election Day, and (iii) in a prominent location at each polling place on Election Day and during early voting. In addition, during the 21 days prior to Election Day, the District shall, in a prominent manner, maintain such notice on its Internet website.

SECTION 8: As required by and in accordance with Section 3.009(b)(5) and (7) through (9) of the Texas Election Code, the District, as of its fiscal year beginning September 1, 2016, had outstanding an aggregate principal amount of debt equal to \$0.00; the aggregate amount of the interest owed on such District debt obligations, through respective maturity, totaled \$0.00; and the District levied an ad valorem debt service tax rate for its outstanding debt obligations of \$0.00 per \$100 of taxable assessed valuation. Based on the bond market conditions on the date of the Board's adoption of this Order, the maximum interest rate for any series of bonds authorized at the Election is 4.35% (expressed as a net effective interest rate applicable to any such series of bonds). The bonds that are the subject of this Election shall mature serially or otherwise over a specified number of years (but not more than 40 years from their date), as prescribed by applicable Texas law, though the District estimates that, based on current bond market conditions, such bonds will amortize over a 31-year period from their respective date of issue. The foregoing estimated maximum net effective interest rate and amortization period are only estimates, provided for Texas statutory compliance; they do not serve as a cap on the per annum interest rate at which any series of bonds authorized at the Election may be sold, or the amortization period for bonds that are the subject of this Election.

SECTION 9: The Board authorizes the President, Board of Trustees, the Superintendent of Schools, or the respective designee of either of such parties, to negotiate and enter into one or more joint election agreements, election services contracts, and/or similar contracts or agreements with the County, acting by and through the Administrator, and any Participants if desired or if required to comply with applicable law, as permitted and in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code, as amended. In addition, the Board authorizes the President, Board of Trustees, the Superintendent of Schools, or the respective designee of either of such parties to make such technical modifications to this Order that are necessary for compliance with applicable Texas or federal law or to carry out the intent of the Board, as evidenced herein. By incorporating all essential terms necessary for a joint election agreement, this Order is intended to satisfy Section 271.002(d) of the Texas Election Code, as amended, without further action of the Board of Trustees.

SECTIONS 10 THROUGH 15 of the Order address procedural issues relating to its adoption such as incorporation of preamble recitals, statement of no conflict with prior District action, applicability of and governance by Texas and United States law, finding of adoption at a validly noticed and conducted public meeting, severability in the event of invalid provisions, and effective date (upon passage).

YOU WILL, THEREFORE, take notice of all the matters and facts set out in the foregoing Notice of Election. /s/ Kyle Gully, Secretary, Board of Trustees, Mineola Independent School District.

Exhibit A: Election Day Precinct And Polling Information

Election Day: November 7, 2017. Election Day Polling Locations open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Presiding Judges: to be named by the Administrator.

District Precincts	County Precincts	Polling Places
1	1-1, 3-1	Carrol Green Civic Center 602 McAllister St., Quitman, Texas 75783
2	1-4	Harold Simmons Community Center 5921 FM 779, Golden, Texas 75444
3	2-1, 2-2, 2-3	Mineola City Hall 300 Greenville Hwy., Mineola, Texas 75773
4	3-2	Holly Lake Volunteer Fire Department 126 P.R. 7869, Holly Lake Ranch, Texas 75765
5	3-3	Hawkins Community Center 320 Lynch St., Hawkins, Texas 75765

Exhibit B : Early Voting For The District

Early voting begins Monday, October 23, 2017 and ends on Friday, November 3, 2017. Early Voting Clerk: William Bjork, Mineola Independent School District School Administration Building, 1000 West Loop 564, Mineola, Texas 75773. Deputy Early Voting Clerks: Lisa Allen, MaryAnn Roseberry, Laura Flournoy, Sara West. Presiding Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board: Dorothy Culver. Voters entitled to vote an early ballot by personal appearance in the constitutional amendment election may do so at the Wood County Courthouse during the dates and hours posted on the County's website: <https://elections.mymoodcounty.com/>.

Main Early Voting Polling Place, Dates, and Times

Mineola Independent School District School Administration Building
1000 West Loop 564 - Mineola, Texas 75773

Dates	Times
Monday, October 23, 2017 through Friday, October 27, 2017	8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Monday, October 30, 2017 through Friday, November 3, 2017	8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Early Voting By Mail

Applications for voting by mail should be received no later than the close of business (4:00 p.m.) on Friday, October 27, 2017. Applications should be sent to: William Bjork, MISD Administration Building, 1000 West Loop 564, Mineola, Texas 75773, email: bjorkw@mineolaisd.net.

Survivor

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She has no idea why her eyes fell on the verse they did. “And it says, ‘I waited patiently for the Lord. He inclined to me and heard my cry.’ That very night I had learned that my sweet friend Heather did not make it in the wreck, that she had been killed. That she was no more. That ripped me to shreds.” That was Labor Day of that year and she hadn’t been told because of fear of it shutting down her re-

covery or her “want to.”
 “And I remember that (verse) was exactly what I needed. Because I remember how I just cried and cried and cried. I could barely talk, but I could cry.”
 At one point she is complimented for being eloquent with her speech. “Thank you,” she says in a velvety voice, and then, very quickly, “peanut M&Ms help,” as she laughs. It seems when she was on the radio as the morning girl, she loved the candy and the listeners brought her many bags of it.
 Foster’s first book was “Coping with Traumatic Brain Injury

– One Woman’s Journey from Death to Life.” Her story and chapters which she has written are also included in other books which can be found on her website. One is a book about Miracles, in which, “I’m chapter 25” she says. She can also be contacted through the website.
 Foster recommends that anyone with brain injury or helping someone research Hope After Brain Injury, for which the website is hopeafterbraininjury.org. Dr. Deana Adams is the president and Foster is the vice president. It is a faith-based organization for survivors and caregivers

that meets on a monthly basis. She called it “a wonderful group” and said that Adams is quite accessible at admin@hopeafterbraininjury.org. Adams is a licensed private counselor who specializes in brain injuries.
 Since the interview Foster traveled to Nashville and Atlanta, Georgia for conferences and will be traveling to Ontario next month for the Can-Am Brain Injury Conference 2017. This spring she went to Holland for a conference. She stays incredibly busy, traveling as a spokesperson, consultant and volunteer. Her hobby is walking, which

helps her with her coordination. “But it’s also good for me to be alone,” she said. Her phone doesn’t go with her – it gives her time to think and to communicate with God.
 “I often hear God say to me in my heart ‘I’ve got you baby girl,’” she said. And different scriptures come to her mind, such as Deuteronomy 31, verse 6 from her “Message” translation that says, “Be strong. Take courage. Don’t be intimidated; don’t give it a second thought. Because your God is striding ahead of you and he is right there with you.”

AVISO DE ELECCIÓN - DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE MINEOLA

TOMAR NOTA de que el día 7 de noviembre de 2017 se celebrará una elección en el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Mineola CON RESPECTO A LA EMISIÓN DE BONOS PARA LA CONSTRUCCIÓN DE ESCUELAS POR UN MONTO DE \$38.500.000 PARA INSTALACIONES ESCOLARES Y EL ESTABLECIMIENTO DE UN IMPUESTO PARA EL PAGO DE DICHOS BONOS, TODO de conformidad con una orden debidamente registrada por el Consejo de Administración del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Mineola en fecha 15 de agosto de 2017 Orden que en su parte conducente (y que la totalidad de la misma está publicada en la página de Internet del Distrito) dice:

SECCIÓN 1: La Elección será celebrada en el DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE MINEOLA en fecha 7 de noviembre de 2017 (el Día de la Elección), que es una fecha uniforme de elección bajo el Código Electoral de Texas, con sus enmiendas, y queda a 78 días o más a partir de la fecha de adopción de esta orden (la Orden), con el fin de someter la siguiente propuesta a los electores del Distrito que cumplan con los requisitos:

“Quedará el Consejo de Administración del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Mineola autorizado para emitir y vender bonos del Distrito en un monto de capital de \$38,500,000 con el fin diseñar, construir, renovar, mejorar, adquirir y equipar instalaciones escolares (y cualquier remoción necesaria o relacionada de instalaciones existentes), y la compra de los sitios necesarios para instalaciones escolares, donde dichos bonos vencerán de manera serial o de otra manera (no más de 40 años a partir de su fecha) conforme a la ley; cualquier emisión o serie de dichos bonos devengará intereses anuales a la tasa o tasas (fijas, flotante, variable, o de otra manera) según se decida conforme a la discreción del Consejo de Administración, siempre y cuando dicha tasa o tasas de interés no excedan la tasa máxima anual autorizada por la ley en el momento de emisión de cualquier emisión o serie de dichos bonos; y quedará el Consejo de Administración del Distrito autorizado para imponer y comprometer, y hacer que se calculen y se cobren, impuestos anuales ad valorem sobre todas las propiedades en el Distrito sujetas a impuestos, suficientes, sin límite en cuanto a tasa o monto, para pagar el capital y los intereses de los bonos y el costo de cualesquiera convenios de préstamos otorgados en relación con los bonos?”

SECCIÓN 2: Se establecen en este acto circunscripciones electorales escolares con el fin de celebrar la Elección, y se designan en este acto uno o más lugares de votación para celebrar la Elección en las circunscripciones electorales identificadas en el Anexo A de esta Orden (el cual queda incorporado al presente por referencia para todos los fines). Al menos 79 días antes del Día de Elección programado, o tan pronto después de ello como sea razonablemente practicable, el Presidente, el Consejo de Administración, el Superintendente Escolar, o los designados respectivos de los mismos, en coordinación con el Administrador, identificarán y aprobarán formalmente el nombramiento del Juez Presidente, los Jueces Presidentes Suplentes, los Auxiliares Administrativos Electorales, y todos los demás funcionarios electorales para la Elección, junto con cualesquiera otros cambios necesarios a las prácticas y procedimientos electorales, y podrán corregir, modificar o cambiar los Anexos de esta Orden con base en los lugares y horas definitivos acordados por el Distrito, el Administrador, y los Participantes, en caso de haberlos según sea aplicable, en la extensión permitida por la ley aplicable.

A. El Juez Presidente nombrará no menos de dos electores residentes en el Distrito y que cumplan con los requisitos para que actúen como asistentes administrativos con el fin de realizar la Elección como es debido. En la medida que el Código Electoral de Texas, con sus modificaciones, u otra ley aplicable lo exija, el nombramiento de estos asistentes administrativos debe incluir a una persona que hable español fluidamente con el fin de prestar asistencia verbal en español a cualquier votante que desee dicha asistencia en los puntos de votación en el Día de la Elección. Si el Juez Presidente nombrado actúa como tal, el Juez Presidente Suplente actuará como uno de los asistentes administrativos. En la ausencia del Juez Presidente, el Juez Presidente Suplente cumplirá con los deberes del Juez Presidente de la circunscripción electoral.

B. El Día de la Elección, los centros de votación abrirán según lo dispuesto en el Anexo A.

C. El lugar principal de votación temprana está designado en el Anexo B de esta Orden (el cual queda incorporado al presente por referencia para todos los fines). La persona nombrada como Asistente Administrativo de Votación Temprana según se declara en el Anexo B queda en este acto nombrada como Asistente Administrativo de Votación Temprana para llevar a cabo dicha votación temprana en la Elección. El Asistente Administrativo de Votación Temprana nombrará a los Asistentes Administrativos Adjuntos de Votación Temprana. Esta oficina o lugar permanecerá abierta para permitir la votación temprana en los días y a las horas indicadas en el Anexo B. La votación temprana comenzará según se dispone en el Anexo B y continuará hasta la fecha establecida en el Anexo B, todo conforme a las disposiciones del Código Electoral de Texas, con sus modificaciones.

Adicionalmente, se podrá establecer y mantener oficinas sucursales permanentes y/o temporales para la votación temprana mediante comparecencia personal, conforme al Código Electoral de Texas. En caso de que se establezcan dichas sucursales permanentes y/o temporales, la información relativa a los lugares, fechas y horas de funcionamiento para cada votación en esas oficinas será establecida por el Administrador, según se identifica en el Anexo B del presente.

Se establece en este acto una Junta Electoral de Votación Temprana con el fin de procesar los resultados de la votación temprana. La persona designada en el Anexo B como Juez Presidente de la Junta Electoral de Votación Temprana queda en este acto nombrada como Juez Presidente de dicha Junta Electoral de Votación Temprana. El Juez Presidente nombrará no menos de dos electores residentes del Distrito que cumplan con los requisitos para que actúen como miembros de esa Junta Electoral de Votación Temprana.

SECCIÓN 3: Para la celebración y conducción de la Elección en el Día de la Elección se podrá utilizar máquinas electrónicas de votación; en el entendido, sin embargo, que en caso que no sea practicable la utilización de dichas máquinas electrónicas de votación, la Elección podrá ser realizada el Día de la Elección mediante el uso de papeletas (salvo disposición en contrario en esta sección). Las máquinas electrónicas de votación o las papeletas podrán ser utilizadas para la votación temprana mediante comparecencia personal (salvo disposición en contrario en esta sección). De conformidad con la Sección 61.012, con sus modificaciones, del Código Electoral de Texas, el Distrito proveerá al menos un sistema de votación accesible en cada sitio de votación utilizado en la Elección. Dicho sistema de votación deberá cumplir con las leyes de Texas y las leyes federales que establecen el requisito de sistemas de votación que permitan a los votantes con discapacidades físicas ejercer su voto secreto. Cualquier método de votación permitido por la ley podrá ser utilizado para la votación temprana y la votación en el Día de la Elección mediante comparecencia en persona. Cierta tipo de votación temprana podrá ser realizada por correo.

SECCIÓN 4: El Distrito también utilizará una Estación Central de Escrutinio (*la Estación*) como lo dispone la Sección 127.001, y siguientes, con sus modificaciones, del Código Electoral de Texas. El Administrador, o la persona designada por él, queda en este acto nombrada Gerente de la Estación, y establecerá un plan por escrito para la operación ordenada de la Estación de conformidad con las disposiciones del Código Electoral de Texas. La Junta en este acto autoriza al Administrador, o al designado por él, para nombrar al Juez Presidente de la Estación, el Supervisor de Tabulación, y el Programador de la Estación, y puede nombrar asistentes administrativos de la Estación según sea necesario o deseable. El Administrador publicará (o hará publicar) un aviso y realizará la comprobación del equipo de tabulación automática relativo a la Estación y llevará a cabo la instrucción de los oficiales y asistentes administrativos de la Estación conforme a las disposiciones del Código Electoral de Texas.

SECCIÓN 5: La papeleta oficial será preparada conforme a las disposiciones del Código Electoral de Texas, con sus modificaciones, de manera de permitir a los electores que voten “A FAVOR” o “EN CONTRA” de la mencionada propuesta, la cual aparecerá en la papeleta básicamente como sigue a continuación:
 “LA EMISIÓN DE \$38.500.000 EN BONOS POR PARTE DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE MINEOLA PARA INSTALACIONES ESCOLARES, Y EL ESTABLECIMIENTO DE UN IMPUESTO PARA EL PAGO DE DICHOS BONOS”.

SECCIÓN 6: Se permitirá a todos los electores residentes del Distrito que cumplan con los requisitos votar en la Elección, y el Día de la Elección, dichos electores votarán en el lugar de votación designado. La Elección se celebrará y será conducida de acuerdo con las disposiciones del Código Electoral de Texas, con sus modificaciones, con la excepción de las disposiciones del Código de Educación de Texas, con sus modificaciones, y según lo exija la ley. En la medida que la ley lo exija, todos los materiales de la elección y los procedimientos relativos a la Elección estarán impresos tanto en inglés como en español.

SECCIÓN 7: Una copia sustancial de esta Orden servirá como aviso adecuado de la Elección. Este aviso, incluyendo una traducción del mismo al español, será publicada al menos una vez en un periódico de circulación general en el Distrito, y dicha publicación tendrá lugar no más de 30 días y no menos de 10 días previos al Día de la Elección. Adicionalmente, este aviso, incluyendo una traducción del mismo al español, será fijado (i) en la cartelera utilizada para colocar avisos de las reuniones del Consejo no más de 21 días antes del Día de la Elección, (ii) en tres lugares públicos dentro de los límites del Distrito no más de 21 días antes del Día de la Elección, y (iii) en un sitio prominente de cada lugar de votación el Día de la Elección y durante cada votación. Adicionalmente, durante los 21 días previos al Día de la Elección, el Distrito mantendrá dicho aviso en su sitio de Internet de una manera prominente.

SECCIÓN 8: Según lo exigido y de conformidad con la Sección 3.009(b)(5) y (7) hasta la (9) del Código Electoral de Texas, a partir del año fiscal que comienza el 1 de septiembre de 2016 el Distrito tenía pendiente un monto total de capital de deuda equivalente a \$0,00; el monto total de interés adeudado sobre dichas obligaciones de deuda del Distrito hasta su respectivo vencimiento totalizaba \$0,00; y el Distrito imponía una tasa de impuesto ad valorem de servicio de la deuda para sus obligaciones de deuda pendientes de \$0,00 por cada \$100 de valoración imponible calculada. Con base en las condiciones del mercado de bonos en la fecha de la decisión de esta Orden por el Consejo, la tasa máxima de interés para cualquier serie de bonos autorizados en la Elección es de 4,35% (expresado como tasa de interés efectiva neta aplicable a cualquier serie de bonos). Los bonos que son el objeto de esta Elección tendrán un vencimiento serial o de otra forma durante un número de años especificado (pero no más de 40 años a partir de su fecha), como lo exige la ley aplicable de Texas, aunque el Distrito estima que, con base en las condiciones actuales del mercado de bonos, dichos bonos se amortizarán en un período de 31 años a partir de su respectiva fecha de emisión. La tasa máxima estimada de interés neto efectivo y el período de amortización que anteceden son solo estimaciones, proporcionados para cumplir con las leyes de Texas, y no operan como tope de la tasa de interés anual a la cual se pueda vender cualquier serie de bonos autorizados en la Elección, ni corresponden al período de amortización para los bonos objeto de esta Elección.

SECCIÓN 9: El Consejo autoriza al Presidente, el Consejo de Administración, el Superintendente Escolar, o al respectivo designado de cualquiera de dichas partes, a negociar y celebrar uno o más contratos electorales conjuntos, contratos de servicios electorales, y/o contratos o convenios similares con el Condado, actuando por y a través del Administrador, y cualesquiera Participantes si ello fuera deseado o requerido para cumplir con la ley aplicable, según lo permita y de conformidad con las disposiciones del Código Electoral de Texas, con sus modificaciones. Adicionalmente, el Consejo autoriza al Presidente, el Consejo de Administración, el Superintendente Escolar, o al designado respectivo de cualquiera de dichas partes, a realizar las modificaciones técnicas de esta Orden que sean necesarias para cumplir con la ley de Texas o ley federal aplicable, o para cumplir con la intención del Consejo, como se evidencia en este aviso. Mediante la incorporación de todos los términos necesarios para un contrato electoral conjunto, esta Orden pretende satisfacer la Sección 271.002(d) del Código Electoral de Texas, con sus modificaciones, sin ninguna decisión adicional del Consejo de Administración.

Las **SECCIONES 10 A 15** de la Orden se refieren a cuestiones de los procedimientos relacionados con su adopción, tales como la inclusión de los antecedentes, la declaración de inexistencia de conflictos con acciones previas del Distrito, la aplicabilidad y el ejercicio de las leyes de Texas y de las leyes federales, la adopción de la resolución judicial en una junta debidamente convocada y celebrada, la validez por separado en caso de que existan disposiciones invalidas y la fecha de entrada en vigor (después de la aprobación).
 POR LO TANTO, se tomará nota de todos los asuntos y hechos que se indican en el Aviso de Elección que antecede. /s/ Kyle Gully, Secretario, Consejo de Administración, Distrito Escolar Independiente de Mineola.

Anexo A: Información De La Circunscripción Y La Votación Para El Día De La Elección

Día de la Elección: 7 de noviembre de 2017. Sitios de Votación el Día de la Elección abiertos de 7 a.m. a 7 p.m. Jueces Presidentes: a ser nombrados por el Administrador.

Circunscripciones del Distrito	Circunscripciones del Condado	Lugares de Votación
1	1-1, 3-1	Carrol Green Civic Center - 602 McAllister St., Quitman, Texas 75783
2	1-4	Harold Simmons Community Center - 5921 FM 779, Golden, Texas 75444
3	2-1, 2-2, 2-3	Mineola City Hall - 300 Greenville Hwy, Mineola, Texas 75773
4	3-2	Holly Lake Volunteer Fire Department - 126 P.R. 7869, Holly Lake Ranch, Texas 75765
5	3-3	Hawkins Community Center - 320 Lynch St., Hawkins, Texas 75765

Anexo B : Votación Temprana Para El Distrito

La votación temprana comienza el lunes 23 de octubre de 2017, y finaliza el viernes 3 de noviembre de 2017. Asistente Administrativo de Votación Temprana, William Bjork, Edificio Administrativo Escolar del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Mineola, 1000 West Loop 564, Mineola, Texas 75773. Asistentes Administrativos Adjuntos de Votación Temprana: Lisa Allen, MaryAnn Roseberry, Laura Flournoy, Sara West. Juez Presidente de la Junta de Votación Temprana: Dorothy Culver. Los electores con derecho a votar en votación temprana mediante su comparecencia personal en la elección para la modificación de la constitución pueden hacerlo en el Juzgado del Condado de Wood en las fechas y horas publicadas en el sitio web del Condado: <https://elections.mywoodcounty.com/>.

Lugar, Fechas y Horas del Principal Lugar de Votación Temprana

Edificio de Administración Escolar del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Mineola - 1000 West Loop 564 - Mineola, Texas 75773

Fechas	Horas
Lunes, 23 octubre de 2017 hasta el viernes 27 octubre de 2017	8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Lunes, 30 octubre de 2017 hasta el viernes 3 noviembre de 2017	8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Votación Temprana por Correo

Las solicitudes para votar por correo deberán ser recibidas a más tardar a la hora del cierre (4:00 p.m.) el viernes, 27 de octubre de 2017. Se deberá enviar las solicitudes a: William Bjork, Edificio de Administración Escolar del MISD, 1000 West Loop 564, Mineola, Texas 75773, email: bjorkw@mineolaisd.net.

Obituaries

REV. CAROLYN JACKSON ALLBRITTON 1954-2017

WINNSBORO - A memorial service for Rev. Carolyn Allbritton, 62, Winnsboro, was held Saturday, October 14 at the First United Methodist Church in Winnsboro with Bishop Michael McKee, Rev. Dr. Vic Casad and Rev. Debbie Lyons officiating.



Burial followed will follow on Saturday, October 21 at 11 a.m. in the Shiloh Cemetery in Honey Grove, Texas.

Rev. Allbritton died October 12, 2017, in Winnsboro. She was born December 5, 1954, in Rockwall to James and Betty Jo Eddings. She was pastor of First United Methodist Church in Winnsboro and served congregations in Ladonia/Pecan Gap, Alvord, Greenville and Wolfe City. She also taught in Caddo Mills and Rockwall.

She was preceded in death by her father.

Survivors include her husband, Dan Allbritton, Winnsboro; mother, Wilma Holley, Honey Grove; son, Jordan Jackson, Dallas; daughter, Alana Liane, Dallas and four grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be directed to The First United Methodist Church of Winnsboro.

RENALDA MAE BROWN 1947-2017

WINNSBORO - Funeral services for Renalda Mae Brown, 70, Winnsboro were held Thursday, October 12 at Beaty Funeral Home, Winnsboro with Revs. Troy Hollingsworth, Jack Culpepper and Terry Bolton officiating.



Burial followed at Harmony Cemetery in Hopkins County.

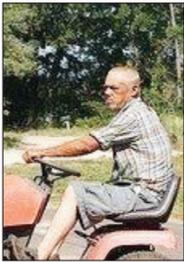
Mrs. Brown died October 9, 2017, in Winnsboro. She was born May 7, 1947 in Sulphur Springs to James and Lillie Hearn. She was a member of Winterfield Baptist Church in Pickton. She was a nurse and retired from Trinity Mission Nursing and Rehab.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sons, Jerald Brown and a brother, James Hearn.

Survivors include daughters, Malissa Simmons, Pickton and Audrey Beard of Winnsboro; five grandchildren; three sisters, Myria Jane Odell, Pickton, Eldora Tedford, Sulphur Springs, Olga Radney, Como and a brother, Ransford Hearn, Como.

JAMES FOSTER 1958-2017

MINEOLA - A memorial to celebrate the life of James "Pug" Foster, 59, Mineola, will be held at his home on November 11 at 2 p.m. Friends and family are invited to attend.



Mr. Foster died October 10, 2017. He was born July 27, 1958, in Dallas to the late James "Cotton" and Marcie Foster.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sisters, Juanita Rollins and Mary Nelson.

Survivors include Maude Bledsoe; siblings, Dickie Foster, Pansey McCarmack, Patsy Marsh, Linda Stephenson, TJ Foster, Sarah Jo Todd and Jackie Taylor.

GARY DEAN HANCOCK 1935-2017

YANTIS - Funeral services for Gary Dean Hancock, 82, Yantis, were held Monday, October 9 at West Oaks Funeral Home Chapel with Shannon Hassell and Craig Vance officiating.



Military graveside honors by Hopkins County Military Coalition followed at Yantis Cemetery.

Mr. Hancock died October 6, 2017, in Sulphur Springs. He was born April 10, 1935, in Vivian, Louisiana to Elder and Clara Hancock. He served in the U.S. Navy, was a member of Yantis Baptist Church and Masonic Lodge & Shriners. He worked for Amoco and BP for over 30 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Michael Adams and brother, Kennon Hancock.

Survivors include his wife, Dorris; a son, Charles "Butch" Adams, Sulphur Springs; daughters, Deana Graham, Andrews, Texas, Kay Hudson of Saltillo, Brenda Taylor, Tyler; 11 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

JAN LANAGAN 1940-2017

WINNSBORO - A celebration of life for Jan Lanagan, 76, Winnsboro was held Saturday, October 14 at Beaty Funeral Home Chapel in Winnsboro with Father Gary Hill officiating.



Mrs. Lanagan died October 10, 2017, in Winnsboro. She was born November 17, 1940, in Dallas to the late Marrion and Kitty Ledbetter. She was a member of Francis Episcopal Church in Winnsboro and was retired from the healthcare industry.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 58 years, Dick Lanagan, and her parents.

She is survived by daughters, Allison Wilson and Leslie Cook; a son, Blake Lanagan; sister, Marrion Carden; her brother, Wesley Ledbetter; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be directed to the St. Francis Church Scholarship Fund.

IRENE MARRS 1923-2017

WINNSBORO - Funeral services for Irene Marrs, 94, of Winnsboro were held Sunday, October 15 at Beaty Funeral Home, Winnsboro with Rev. James Ross officiating.



Burial followed at the New Pickton Cemetery in Pickton.

Mrs. Marrs died October 9, 2017, in Winnsboro. She was born August 5, 1923, in Lemesa to

A.L. and Ethel Barker. She was a retired day care operator.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Benjamin Elmo Marrs; sons, Jerry and Ben Marrs and several siblings.

Survivors include daughter, Sherry Sharber, Sulphur Springs; son, Terry Marrs, Pickton; sister, Dorothy Plyler, Washington State; seven grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren.

WANDA JO MARTIN 1926-2017

HALLSVILLE - Funeral services for Wanda Jo Allen Martin, 91, of Hallsville were held Saturday, October 14 at Beaty Funeral Home, Winnsboro with Henry Suche officiating. Burial followed at Harmony Cemetery in Winnsboro.



Mrs. Martin died October 11, 2017, in Tyler. She was born July 7, 1926, in Winnsboro to the late Paul and Annice Anderson. She was a homemaker and member of the First United Methodist Church of Winnsboro.

She was preceded in death by her husband Buford Allen who died in 1988, husband, Frank Martin in 2003 as well as her brother, Barney Anderson.

Survivors include daughters, Paula Irby, Winnsboro, Rita Bowen, Hallsville; five grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of East Texas or the First United Methodist Church in Winnsboro.

JULIE SWARTZ 1934-2017

HOLLY LAKE RANCH - Funeral services for Julie Swartz, 83, Holly Lake Ranch, were held Saturday, October 14 at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Quitman with Bishop Wayne

Crabb officiating. Burial followed at Kelsey Cemetery.

Mrs. Swartz died October 8, 2017. She was born April 10, 1934, in Buffalo, New York to Lawrence and Garnet Brennan. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Quitman. She was also a member of The Little Rascals and played Spanky's little sister, Baby Jane.



She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include her husband, Cleo Swartz of Holly Lake Ranch; two sons, Chris Swartz of Allen and Michael Swartz of Plano; daughter, Shari Swartz, Holly Lake Ranch; six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

RANDY WAYNE WHITE 1967-2017

QUITMAN - Funeral services for Randy White, 50, of Quitman, was held Thursday, October 12 at Lowe Funeral Home with Rev. Fred Morrow and Rod Skelton officiating. Burial followed at Myrtle Springs Cemetery.



Mr. White died October 8, 2017. He was born May 9, 1967, in Quitman to Billy Wayne White and Gloria Jean Mize. He was a lifelong resident of Quitman and worked for Burgos Painting.

Survivors include his wife, Carmen White, Quitman; father and stepmother, Billy Wayne and Billie White, Quitman; two stepsons, Rick Burgos, Mineola and Isiah Burgos, Tucson, Arizona; two brothers, Wes White, Marshall and Lance White, Quitman; sister, Sheila Webber, Quitman; four grandchildren and numerous other relatives and friends.

BILLY BURKETT FORTUNE 1924 - 2017



A funeral service for Billy Burkett Fortune, Colonel (Ret.) United States Air Force, 93, of Pollok, TX, was held at 10:00a.m., Friday, October 13, 2017 in the chapel of Downs Funeral Home, Marshall, TX, with Rev. John McGuire officiating. Interment followed the service in Andrews Cemetery, Karnack, TX. Mr. Fortune passed away Saturday, October 07, 2017 at his home.

Billy Burkett Fortune was born June 03, 1924 in Smithville, Texas to Ray and Ella Mae Burkett Fortune. He was a graduate of Mineola High School class of 1942. While in high school Billy enjoyed and excelled in sports, specifically football. After graduation he attended Texas A&M University from 1942 - 1944. In 1945 he enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps. During this time Billy attended the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs where he graduated as 2nd Lieutenant. Early on Billy realized his love of flying, his love of country and those two things together shaped much of his future. After his graduation from the academy, Billy relocated to Barksdale Air Force Base where he served as a pilot instructor. It was during this time his life would forever change. Billy met a beautiful young lady and his future bride, Betsy Jane Hartzo. In 1947 he was deployed to Okinawa, Japan and Korea. Everyday overseas Billy had two missions, to serve his country honorably and return to Betsy. He succeeded at both and on April 23, 1948 Billy married the love of his life at Karnack Baptist Church. Shortly after their marriage they relocated to San Antonio where Billy was stationed at Lackland Air Force Base. He then became a flight instructor at Perrin Air Force Base in Sherman, Texas. In 1950 he was discharged from the Air Force but remained active in the Air Force Reserve.

After Billy's active military discharge, which would not be the end of his military career, Billy and Betsy relocated to Fayetteville, Arkansas where Billy studied industrial engineering. He graduated in January of 1953 and immediately went to work for the Arkansas Louisiana Gas Company in their planning and distribution department in Shreveport, Louisiana. During this time while still active in the Air Force Reserve Billy was promoted to Colonel and served as the Squadron Commander for the 917th Combat Support Squadron at Barksdale Air Force Base. In 1972, Billy and Betsy relocated to Little Rock, Arkansas where he assumed the role of planning and distribution for the state of Arkansas at the ARKLA Gas Company. At the time of his retirement from ARKLA Gas in 1982, Billy was a registered engineer in Louisiana, Arkansas, and Texas. Following retirement Billy continued to work in the oil and gas industry forming small independent oil and gas companies.

Two years after his civilian retirement, in 1984, Billy retired from the United States Air Force after a lifetime of respectable and honorable service to his country. At the time of his retirement Billy had obtained the rank of Colonel. Upon retirement they relocated to Marshall where they were member of Central Baptist Church and Billy served as a Deacon. Prior to his retirement Billy had the opportunity to participate in a once in a life time experience. Billy was the co-pilot of the first ever military plane flown into a hurricane. He would later recount the story stating, it was like flying a plane under water. After many years of hard work and dedicated service to his country Billy would begin to settle into retirement with his wife Betsy. They began to travel the states and abroad. They loved their trips to the Hawaiian Island of Maui, Europe, and Israel. While Billy and Betsy enjoyed their travels, the memories made with their grandchildren and great-grandchildren were the best and most cherished of all.

Surviving Mr. Fortune are his daughters, Pam Martinez and husband, Richard of Lufkin, and Ann Fortune of Karnack; sisters, Betty McGuire and husband, Pete of Garrison, Dorothy Hayner and husband, George of Lampasas; sister-in-law, Emma Fortune of Marshall; grandchildren, Leigh Moorman and husband, Craig of Cypress, Melanie Shirley and husband, Keith of Pollok, Katie Daniels, and Sara Daniels; great-grandchildren, Aidan, Bishop, and Cadence Moorman, and Ashton and Lincoln Shirley.

Mr. Fortune was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Betsy; brothers, Lewis W. Fortune and Gordon Lincoln Fortune; and niece Katrina Hayner.

The family would like to thank Renee, Trisha and Charlotte, the Visiting Angels and his caretaker, Amber and the members of Hospice of the Pines all of whom were very caring and attentive to Mr. Fortune's needs.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to the Gideons International, P.O. Box 97251, Washington, DC. 20090-7251 or the University of Arkansas Engineering Scholarship Fund at 1 University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR. 72701-1201

Serving as Pallbearers were Keith Shirley, Craig Moorman, John Fortune, Paul Fortune, Justin Milam, and Jerry McGuire. Honorary Pallbearers were Ashton Shirley, Lincoln Shirley, Aidan Moorman, Bishop Moorman, and Cadence Moorman.

JACK SAUER 1929 - 2017



Jack Sauer born to Jessie Crowley Sauer and John Clifford Sauer on September 23, 1929 in St. Louis, MO. and passed away on October 14, 2017. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Jerry, and one granddaughter, Victoria Lynn.

Jack attended school in Missouri and the University of Arizona in Tucson. He served four years in the Air Force during the Korean war.

Jack met his soulmate Mary while attending Calvary Baptist Church in Irving and married on December 10, 1955.

Jack and Mary had five children. Jack was proud of his children and that they were born again Christians, loved each other and loved to get together for family meals.

Jack and Mary loved to travel. Jack worked for Braniff Airlines for 30 years which gave them the opportunity to travel. He also worked for a Middle East Airline for 5 1/2 years. After retirement he enjoyed traveling with the family.

Jack loved life and was a proud father, a good friend, hard worker and an avid sports fan. He and Mary fell in love with the East Texas piney woods and especially their little spot of land east of Mineola that they named "Pine Grove".

Jack was an ordained deacon and a trusting follower of Jesus Christ. He and Mary joined First Baptist Church of Mineola shortly after moving to Mineola and have been members for 25 years. They love Don Lay and the Sunday School Class they attended.

Jack leaves behind his beloved wife, Mary; daughters, Leigh and husband Randy Foster of Mineola, Lisa and husband Greg Jones of Florence, SC; sons, Neal and wife Marcy of Mineola, David and wife Jenny of Mineola, Alan and wife Bonnie of Kaufman, TX; 15 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation was Thursday, October 19, 2017 at First Baptist Church, Mineola. Service followed at 11:00 am at First Baptist Church, Mineola with Bro. Dale Walker and Chaplain Mark Massey officiating. Interment was at Cedars Memorial Gardens Cemetery following the service.

In lieu of flowers, family has requested donations be made to Hospice of East Texas or First Baptist Church, Mineola, TX.



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The Brownsboro band performs during the 2017 Mineola Marching Festival. BELOW: Display table of trophies given to top rated band at the 2017 Mineola Marching Festival. (Monitor photos by Quinton Lilley)



Bands

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to bring people to our great town and allow our students and many other band students the opportunity to perform and be evaluated by an

expert panel of judges," Tunnell said via email last week.

The festival also served as a fundraiser for the Mineola band and benefits all band students in grades sixth through 12.

The other bands who placed in the top seven were Wills Point, Robert

E. Lee, Marshall, Lindale, Sulphur Springs and Pleasant Grove high school bands.

Some of the furthest traveling bands drove over an hour to Mineola to compete including Tenaha, Community and Pleasant Grove-Texas.



The Quitman High School Band competed in the band festival in Mineola last Monday, winning Best Color Guard and Best Drum Major.

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Cameron Sorenson (15) splits two defenders after making a reception Friday night against Farmersville. (Photos courtesy Gene's Photography)

Lady Bulldogs rock Alba-Golden

By LARRY TUCKER
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Quitman's Lady Bulldogs kept their perfect District 12-3A record unblemished (10-0) with a straight set win over Alba-Golden by the scores of 25-21, 25-20, 25-15. The first two games were close as the Lady Panthers fought to stay in the game.

Quitman started slow, but powerful kills by Kaci Raley, Madalyn Spears and Molly Tanner were too much to overcome. Quitman's hustle accounted for over 60 digs in the three sets. Those digs kept the ball in play and enabled one of East Texas' premier setters, Cammie Hicks, time to view the court and make excellent sets for the hitters. Sophomore Jentri Jackson led the team with 16 digs in the match while libero Abby Dobbs did a great job on the back line and from the serving line.



Cammie Hicks

The Lady Panthers were led by the hustle and defensive play of libero Lindsey Roberts and strong net play from Ginny Carson, Kenzie Chadwick and Hannah Ellis.

In the first set Quitman led early on two consecutive

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Defensive secondary leads Jackets to win

By QUINTON LILLEY
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The Mineola Yellowjackets beat the Farmersville Farmers 35-14 on Friday and with the win the Jackets remain unbeaten in District 7 Class 3A.

In a game that saw two teams at least two touchdowns per game all season, it was the Mineola secondary that came up big for the Yellowjackets.

Cole Castleberry and Wylie Franks combined for three interceptions that kept Mineola in the game early as their offense took a while to get going.

The Jacket defense as a whole was stifling the entire game as they shut down the Farmer offense in the second half not allowing a single point.

Both Castleberry and



Cole Castleberry (9) leaps over a Farmersville receiver for his second interception in the first half of Mineola's game against the Farmers Friday night.

Franks (who start on defense for the Jackets) are just sophomores but made impact plays. Castleberry had two interceptions, while Franks added another early in the second quarter.

Head Coach Luke Blackwell said he was extremely pleased with how hard both sophomores worked during the week leading up to their game Friday. Blackwell said he was happy their hard work paid off during the game.

"I think both of those guys played really well for us! Obviously, Cole had two big (interceptions) for us. He also had several good tackles, a pivotal pass break up, and was a contributor for us offensively as well," Blackwell said.

He went on to say, "Wylie played a key role in our defensive scheme this week. He did a really nice job of what we were ask-

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Lady Panther Lindsey Roberts digs out a Quitman kill attempt in Tuesday's district game. (Monitor photo by Larry Tucker)

Mineola graduate Utley earns top marksman award



Justin Utley on the left with the Trophy and the match director (Keith Stephens) who is on the right.

By QUINTON LILLEY
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Justin Utley, 32, has always had a sharp eye and a quick trigger. He began shooting at the young age of 14. So when he won the Texas State shooting contest two weeks ago it was not much surprise to anyone who knew him.

"This is my eighth state championship to win. My performance at the past State match was pretty good. There was a couple of stages I felt I could have done better but overall (it was) a good performance," Utley said.

Ironically Utley received a nearly perfect score of 794 out of 800.

The next big match will be in March which will be a regional championship. There will also be another state championship in May, nationals come quickly after that in July.

Utley, who graduated from Mineola High School in 2003. He is has been a police officer in Tyler since 2011 reflected on what went through his mind during the competition.

"I've always had an interest in law enforcement, and had a lot of friends in the field.

"My first shot was a nine and after that I saw a few other shooters shoot a nine, so I (refocused) and didn't drop anymore point," Utley said.

According to Utley the first

shot made him nervous, but he quickly corrected his wind call and took each shot one at a time for the remainder of the shoot off. Utley has participated in shooting competitions since 2000 and winning the President's 100 has always been a major achievement for him.

Utley also added that he wants to continue competing in events like these, and they help him be better prepared as a person in law enforcement.

"I've got to keep trying to win other ones," Utley said.

Utley also won the Pietroforte Trophy, reserved for the high scoring civilian. He won with a national record of 986-42x.

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Quitman Head Football Coach

Bryan Oakes



"We had a great week of practice and were able to slow things back down and revisit some areas we needed to. Fortunately we were able to grow some more during the bye week. We look forward to being able to travel to Farmersville this week healthy."

Quitman Head Volleyball Coach

Ashlee Lingo

"We are very excited to be in the position that we are currently in. We still have a couple of big games left with Eustace and Grand Saline and will continue to take one game at a time to reach our goal of district champion. We are thrilled to start preparing to make our playoff run in a couple of weeks. The girls are so ready!"



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Lady Hawks out clawed by Big Sandy

By **QUINTON LILLEY**
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The Hawkins Lady Hawks volleyball team was unable to overcome the Big Sandy Lady Wildcats' offensive attack as the Lady Hawks lost in four sets last Tuesday.

With scores of 14-25, 18-25, 25-23, and 21-25 in district play Tuesday night the Lady Hawks got off to a slow start in the match losing two straight sets before battling back to win the third. However the Lady Wildcats proved to be too much for the Lady Hawks on Tues-

day night as they finished the match in four sets.

Hawkins was led by Emily Hodges with 14 kills and Jaycee Cheshire added seven kills.

Lilly Long and Raeli Smith combined for 23 assists, 13 and 10 respectively.

Cheshire had six blocks and Christian Harris added five blocks for Hawkins.

Defensively, Alyssa Eddington picked up 17 digs. Raeli Smith and Hodges picked up nine digs each.

The JV Lady Hawks fell to Big Sandy, 21-25, 25-23, and 24-26.



The Mineola Middle and High School girls cross country team members are, from left, Keilee Riley, Kapri Riley, Autumn Chamberlain, Shylah Kratzmeyer, Sarah Jenkins, Gigi Gutierrez and Cloey Garcia. Kneeling are Alyssa Lankford and Rosalinda Marquez. (Courtesy photos)

Three third place finishes for Mineola X-Country teams



By **QUINTON LILLEY**
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Varsity girls cross country runner Alyssa Lankford paced the Mineola Yellowjacket cross country team as they earned three third place finishes at their meet held Monday Oct. 9 in Mineola.

Mineola's high school varsity boys, middle school girls and middle school boys finished in third place overall.

Lankford was the only runner on her team to finish in the top three as she finished third in her regional final race with a time of 13:56.13.

On the varsity boys side David Amador had a solid performance as he finished eighth with a time of 18:37.18. Carlos Galaz rounded out the top 10 finishers in the boy's varsity division with a time of 18:54.47.

Not pictured were Anna Westberry and Riley Fowler.

The MHS cross country team members are (above) from left, Jose Garcia, Devin Rojas, Carlos Galaz, David Amador, Scout Parker and Josh Lee. Not pictured were Anna Westberry and Riley Fowler.

RIGHT: The Mineola Middle School cross country boys are, from left, Christian Martinez, Camden King, Caden Mosher and Dalton Anders. Bottom row are Alex Castillo, Royer Marquez and Ryder Parker.



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Lady Jackets gets speared by Lady Indians

By **QUINTON LILLEY**
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In a match that saw lots of digs and defensive play from both sides, the Grand Saline Lady Indians proved to have more consistent offensive firepower at key moments that propelled them to a three-set win against the Mineola Lady Jackets.

With scores of 25-18, 25-22 and 25-13 the Lady Jackets simply made too many mistakes late in each set to keep pace.

In opposing fashion to how the Lady Jackets have played to start most of their matches, Mineola played well from the opening serve as both teams battled with great defensive plays and long rallies most of the time ending in a hitting error by one team or the other.

Midway through the first set Mineola was very much competing with the third place team in their district being down only two points at 10-12.

Jessiah Riley was on her game early as she had two huge spikes that paced the Mineola offense from the outside.

However as the first set continued



Kiley Banks (4) digs a ball in the first set of Mineola's match at Grand Saline High School last Tuesday. (Monitor photo by Quinton Lilley)



Quitman received the Spirit Ball from KMOO Friday and Scott's Quitman Pharmacy donated \$100 to the Quitman Athletic Booster Club prior to the Lady Bulldog volleyball game Friday. (Monitor photo by Brandi Box)

Mineola's passing and hitting errors continued while Grand Saline began to make less and less mistakes as they gain momentum winning the first set by seven.

In the second set Mineola's net play seemed to be more effective with Sabria Dean and Tahjae Black both scoring and blocking. Grand Saline also helped out the Lady Jackets in the second set with a bevy of unforced hitting and service errors that kept the game within one point at 21-20 late in the set.

The Lady Jackets went on to lose the set by three points after a number of hitting errors and huge block by Grand Saline's double blocking scheme.

In the third set the Lady Jackets got off to a slow start and could not recover as they were held to a match low 13 points.

Head Coach Kerry VanCleave said

she believes the team's struggles have been mostly self-inflicted.

"It's not a matter of what others are doing, it's a matter of what we are not doing. We are not consistent in doing anything (on the court) which kicks us in the tail every time. (This problem) goes back to being mentally tough enough to handle the good, the bad, the great, the not great and being able to rally from point to point," VanCleave said via email.

Kiley Banks had a team high 13 digs, Sabria Dean led the team with five kills, and Tahjae Black tied the team high with one block.

The Lady Jackets also lost on Friday against Edgewood in three sets. With scores of 9-25, 19-25 and 18-25.

The Lady Jackets are now 0-9 in district play.

Lake Fork Weekly Fishing Report (October 9-15)

By **JOHN MORRIS**

It was another beautiful week here at Lake Fork. The weather was still warm; therefore, the water temperatures did not change this week. The water temperatures were 82 to 85 degrees most of the week. The water clarity is still stained in most of the lake except down in the lower end by the damn.

The bass fishing was fare this week. Several fishing techniques were being used to catch bass all the way from jigs to wacky worms. The drop shot rig seemed to be a big a popular way to catch the better numbers of fish. We used the Zoom green pumpkin and tomato finesse worms on the drop shot rig. We continued to use the Zoom watermelon candy red trick worm on our wacky set up in the hydrilla.

Now for those who are fishing the Berkley tournament this coming weekend, the Havoc watermelon red and watermelon candy Bottom Hopper works great on your wacky rig. Do not forget to put a nail in the head of either the Zoom Trick worm or the Havoc Bottom Hopper and dye the tails chartreuse.

For the jig anglers, the black and blue and blue gill colors were the best producers. We used the 3/4 ounce Santone jigs in 18 to 20 foot of water on creek bends and isolated brush piles.

The white bass are still scattered out all over the lake. For the best success look for them off main lake points in 28 to 30 foot of water. Minnows are the best way to catch them.

The crappie fishing was really good again this week. Minnows were the most popular way to catch them; however, the Bubba's Bait white with orange tail 1/8 ounce crappie jig caught bigger crappies. The bite was light so you had to pay attention to the line. Look for them in 20 to 24 foot of water on isolated brush piles.

No catfish report this week.

The Berkley tournament is this week. Have a safe fishing week.

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Registration costs are \$25 for each runner or \$60 for a family four pack.

All the proceeds will go to benefit the Rhythm teams of Dance Dimensions and they will donate a portion of the money raised to the city of Mineola's Nature Preserve and community organizations.

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Mineola Country Club

SENIOR GOLF REPORT

Results for Mineola Country Club Senior Golf Scramble on Thursday, Oct. 12 were:
Two teams tied for first place: Jimmy Smartt, John Tanner and Rod Wagner with 59 for 12 under par. And Gary Milam, David Cartwright, Willie Boyles, Roger Stai.



Veterans who participated in Project Healing Waters are shown in front of the outdoor cooker donated by Ray and Beth Bray. They are, from left, David Inbody, James Barnes, Ray Bray, Cody Bennett and Scott Palamino. (Monitor photo by Larry Tucker)

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Healing Waters Project comes to Lake Fork

By **LARRY TUCKER**
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They come to fish and the healing begins. The official name is North Texas Project Healing Waters and Veteran Johnny Walker hosts the event at Lake Fork. Walker is now the director of the North Texas organization. This year's event was held on Oct. 7.

"We take any soldier, from any branch of service, of any gender and we try to get them out to different places and teach them how to fly fish. It's one of those things you must concentrate. It helps them relax, it kind of pushes all that other stuff out of the way. It brings some of these guys together and helps them find what they need," Walker said. "They are able to start the networking process of healing. There is nothing like being in out there and being able to have some peace and quiet. We had four men this time, but the time before we hosted female vets."

The residents of Highland Shores RV Park on the east side of Lake Fork host a big barbecue dinner after the veterans finish fish. "The wonderful people of Highland Shores make sure these veterans are taken care of on Saturday evening. They are a wonderful group of folks who simply love these veterans and want to do something for them," Walker said. "Tony Parker at the Minnow Bucket also stepped up for us this time giving the veterans a place for the night free of charge. It's people like that who make this successful."

Viet Nam veteran James Barnes attended his first Healing Waters event. "Healing Waters was great. Since coming back from Nam, I never thought that much about all the things I did in Nam. I was just glad to get to go fishing with these great guys. I never thought that much about what I did, it was just my job. Healing Waters made me think of what I did in Nam," Barnes explained. "All the guys at Healing Waters were very nice. It has been 50 years since I was in

Nam and I hope that all things work out for all of us vets... I am going to meet with my unit from Nam in May of this year and I'm glad to have had this experience. Thanks to Jerry Walker of Healing Waters for inviting me and getting to see what Healing Waters does for us veterans."

Jerry Walker is Johnny Walker's brother. He took part in the program a couple of years ago and is now active in the organization. "You have a guy who is an amputee or has PTSD, and we get him out there in the water and he gets a boost. It's good physical therapy, and then there's the emotional part," Jerry Walker noted. "There is nothing like being out there in the water and you are able to think clearly and just feel the peace come over you."



Johnny Walker

Cody Bennett fished in this year's healing Waters event and is active in another veteran's organization which serves PTSD victims. "I met Johnny (Walker) at another event serving veterans. And he invited me to Healing Waters," Bennett said. "I am really glad I made it to this program. Being out there on the lake fishing gives a man time to think and contemplate about his life. There is something

about water that is healing." Besides Barnes and Bennett, veterans David Inbody, College Station, and Scott Palamino, Fort Worth, also fished in the event. "This has been a great time and everybody here has been so nice. I appreciate what everyone has done for us," Palamino said.

The event was also highlighted by the unveiling of a huge outdoor cooker donated by Highland Shores residents Ray and Beth Bray. "We love our veterans and just wanted to do something for them," Ray Bray said.

The national organization distributes fly tying and fly fishing equipment to the local programs. Local volunteers contribute gear, time and expertise. The program is dedicated to the physical and emotional rehabilitation of disabled active military service personnel and disabled veterans through fly fishing and associated activities including education and outings. The project provides basic fly fishing, fly casting, fly tying and rod building classes. Fishing trips, both one day and multi-day, are also provided free of charge to participants.

The volunteers teach classes on an ongoing, long-term basis. It is much more than a one-day fishing trip. For many participants, particularly disabled veterans, the socialization and camaraderie of the classes are just as important as the fishing outings, and provide them a new activity.

For more information, or to find out how you can donate to the organization, go to their website at www.projecthealingwaters.org.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF WOOD

By virtue of Orders of Sale issued out of the Honorable 402ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT of WOOD County in the following cases on the 25TH day of September 2017, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell at 10:00 AM on the 7th DAY OF November 2017, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the Official Door of the Courthouse of said WOOD County, in the City of QUITMAN, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

Cause No: T-3776 MINEOLA ISD vs. KA FORRESTER, EST
BEING LOT 15A AND 15B, BLOCK D, LANDERS & STORY, SWANSON YARBROUGH SURVEY, ABS.# 658, V.564, P.654, MINEOLA ISD UNDER ACC.# R33990

Cause No: T-3920 MINEOLA ISD vs ALFRED BRINKLEY, EST.
BEING LOT 15A AND 15B, BLOCK D, LANDERS & STORY, SWANSON YARBROUGH SURVEY, ABS.# 658, V.564, P.654, MINEOLA ISD UNDER ACC.# R33990

Cause No: T-3815 YANTIS ISD vs. ADRAIN L. & NONA R. STEPHENS
BEING 0.3110 ACRES, LOT 4, BLOCK 140, IN V.1594, P.412, THE CITY OF MINEOLA UNDER ACC.# R36211

Cause No: T-3927 MINEOLA ISD vs. RAYMOND WILLIAMS
BEING 0.554 ACRES, TRACT 16, N. BRANTLEY SURVEY, ABSTRACT #A-74, V.1820, P. 465, MINEOLA ISD ACCT # 12171

Cause No: T-3908 QUITMAN ISD vs. RONNIE WHITE
BEING 0.98 ACRES, LOTS 1&2, BLOCK D, SUNDOWNER LAKE AND RANCH RESORT, INC, C M STRAILEY SURVEY, ABS. # 547, V.1358, P.512 QUITMAN ISD UNDER ACC.# R34874

Cause No: T-3908 QUITMAN ISD vs. RONNIE WHITE
BEING 0.42 ACRES, LOTS 12, BLOCK E, SUNDOWNER LAKE AND RANCH RESORT, INC, C M STRAILEY SURVEY, ABS.# 547, V. 1358, P.512, OF THE CITY OF QUITMAN UNDER ACC.# R34892

Cause No: T-3854 MINEOLA ISD vs. JEFFERY SIMMONS, ET AL.
BEING 1.00 ACRE, LOT 10, PART OF THE JOSEPH E WHITE SURVEY, ABS.# 612, VOL 334, PG 108, THE CITY OF MINEOLA UNDER ACC.#000036655

Cause No: T-3854 MINEOLA ISD vs. JEFFERY SIMMONS, ET AL.
BEING 1.25 ACRES, BLOCK 284, LOTS 7 & 8, JOSEPH E WHITE SURVEY, ABS.# 612, V.334, P.108, THE CITY OF MINEOLA UNDER ACC.# 000036653

Cause No: T-3859 QUITMAN ISD vs SIDNEY A. & VASHTI E. CAVE
BEING BLOCK 4, LOT 236, ZONE 1, CLEAR LAKES SUBDIVISION, V 631, P 165, QUITMAN ISD UNDER ACC.# R26252

Cause No: T-3832 YANTIS ISD vs. CYNTHIA HANCOCK
BEING 0.404 ACRE, PART OF BLOCK 6, LOT 24, (0.484 L3SS 0.08 IN FM), IN DOCUMENT 2008-0094191, YANTIS ISD UNDER ACC.# R64434

Cause No: T-3903 QUITMAN ISD vs. CLESTINE HUNTER
BEING LOTS 69, 70, & 71, BLOCK A, HOLIDAY VILLAGES OF FORK SUB., DEED FILED V.2097 PGS.610& 612, QUITMAN ISD UNDER A.C. #R73468& R323993 (WCAD R90939)

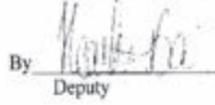
Cause No: T-2975 MINEOLA ISD vs. RICK LOVE
BEING ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT 1, BLOCK 2, A PART OF THE J MAX PIERCE ADDITION, DEED VOLUME 688, PAGE 53, THE CITY OF MINEOLA UNDER ACC.# R40990

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Levied on the 25th day of September 2017, as the property of said Defendants to satisfy the judgements rendered in the above styled and numbered causes, plus all taxes, penalties, interest, and attorney fees accrued to the date of sale and all costs recoverable by law in favor of each jurisdiction.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS 25th day of September 2017.

Tom Castloo
SHERIFF, WOOD County, Texas

By 
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NOTICE OF SALE

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WOOD COUNTY §

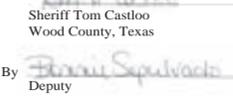
and issued pursuant to judgment decree(s) of the District Court of Wood County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date, in the hereinafter numbered and styled suit(s) and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff or Constable of said County, I have on October 5, 2017, seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in November, 2017, the same being the 7th day of said month, at the East Door, Wood County Courthouse of the Courthouse of the said County, in the City of Quitman, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. on said day, beginning at 1:30 PM, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit(s) in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Wood and the State of Texas, to-wit:

Sale #	Cause # Judgment Date	Acct # Order Issue Date	Style of Case	Legal Description	Adjudged Value
1	T-3830 05/16/16	R52338 OCTOBER 05, 2017	QUITMAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT VS. DOROTHY EMMA BARRY, EST. ET AL.	Being all that certain 5.011 acres, more or less, Tract 179, part of the G. W. Watson Survey, Abstract 608, commonly known as 655 CR 3245, Quitman, Texas, as described in Special Warranty Deed recorded in Document #2010-00008535, on instrument filed June 29, 2010, Wood County, Texas, and being further identified on the tax rolls and records of Wood County, Texas (Acct #R52338). (Subject to 2016 Taxes)	\$65,250.00
2	T-3844 05/30/17	R38338 OCTOBER 05, 2017	WOOD COUNTY, ET AL VS. LANCE T. KRUSE, ET AL.	0.766 acre, more or less, out of Lot 4, Block 2, Town of Golden, Wood County, Texas, as described in deed dated September 23, 2010, from John Robert McBride to Lance T. Kruse, et ux, in Clerk's File #2010-00012660, Real Records of Wood County, Texas (#R38338)	\$3,000.00
3	T-3848 05/30/17	R12579 OCTOBER 05, 2017	WOOD COUNTY, ET AL VS. JOHN KEVIN DUNN, ET AL.	12.91 acres, more or less, situated in the William Clark Survey, Abstract 99, Wood County, Texas; being 13.33 acres of which 0.42 acre lies within Public Road, as described in Contract of Sale dated April 12, 1984, from the Veterans Land Board of Texas to Billy Ray Dunn, in Volume 916, Page 312, Real Property Records of Wood County, Texas. (#R12579) (Selling Subject to Veterans Land Board Liens, if any, and easement right of way filed in document 2016-00004134)	\$87,270.00
4	T-3862 05/30/17	R69296 OCTOBER 05, 2017	WOOD COUNTY, ET AL VS. ELLENA SULLIVAN, A/K/A ELLENA RESHELL SULLIVAN, ET AL.	0.202 acre, more or less, out of Block "B", City of Wimsboro, Wood County, Texas, as described in deed dated November 14, 2002, from Flossie Head to Johnnie L. Sullivan, in Volume 1882, Page 643, Real Property Records of Wood County, Texas (#R69296)	\$16,630.00
5	T-3876 05/30/17	R78754 OCTOBER 05, 2017	WOOD COUNTY, ET AL VS. IMOGENE G. WILCOXSON, ET AL.	All that certain tract, parcel, or lot known as 5.652 acres, more or less, in the B. Lee Survey, Abstract 376, being a residue of a larger 43.5 acres, more or less, described in Warranty Deed from W.H. Kelly, et ux, to Lucile K. Wilcoxson, recorded in Volume 231, Page 162, Deed Records of Wood County, Texas, being more particularly described as that certain tract, parcel or lot of land, and bound to the North by the following tracts (A) 1.0 acre, more or less, described in Warranty Deed from Imogene G. Wilcoxson to Joe B. Ross, recorded in Volume 799, Page 13, Deed Records of Wood County, Texas, (B) 8.977 acres, more or less, described in Warranty Deed from Imogene G. Wilcoxson to Larry Ross, et ux, recorded in Volume 767, Page 781, Deed Records of Wood County, Texas, Bound to the East by the following tracts: (A) 0.875 acres, more or less, described in Warranty Deed from Imogene G. Wilcoxson to Joe B. Ross, recorded in Volume 771, Page 391, Deed Records of Wood County, Texas, (B) 0.885 acres, more or less, described in Warranty Deed from Imogene G. Wilcoxson to Larry Ross, et ux, recorded in Volume 774, Page 590, Deed Records of Wood County, Texas, (C) 5.0832 acres, more or less, described in Warranty Deed for Right of Way from Imogene G. Wilcoxson to the State of Texas, recorded in Volume 600, Page 427, Deed Records of Wood County, Texas. Bound to the South by that certain tract of land known as 1.474 acres, more or less, described in Warranty Deed from Imogene G. Wilcoxson to Joe B. Ross, recorded in Volume 716, Page 211, Deed Records of Wood County, Texas, Bound to the West by that certain tract of land known as 4.197 acres, more or less, described in Warranty Deed from Wood County Sheriff to Thomas Laurence Draney Family Trust Estate, recorded in Volume 243, Page 402, Real Property Records of Wood County, Texas, and being more completely described in Warranty Deed from Virginia Ann Driskill, et al, to Virginia Ann Driskill, et al, recorded in Volume 1431, Page 107, Deed Records of Wood County, Texas. SAVE & EXCEPT, the following tract of land: 4.197 acres, more or less, described in Warranty Deed from Wood County Sheriff to Thomas Laurence Draney Family Trust Estate, recorded in Volume 2243, Page 402, Real Property Records of Wood County, Texas, and being called that 5.652 acres, more or less, a residue of that larger tract, and carried on the tax rolls of Wood County, Texas as (#R78754)	\$26,000.00
6	T-3890 05/30/17	R11741 OCTOBER 05, 2017	WOOD COUNTY, ET AL VS. ELLIS E. PRINCE, ET AL.	All that certain tract of land situated in the George Brewer Survey, Abstract 41, Wood County, Texas, described as 22.810 acres, more or less, as Tract 3, in deed dated February 26, 1980, from Willie McCoy, et al to Wendell Webster Prince, et al, in Volume 801, Page 92, Deed Records of Wood County, Texas; SAVE & EXCEPT however, that certain 1.848 acres tract described as First & Second Tracts in Volume 826, Page 869, Deed Records of Wood County, Texas, leaving herein a residue of 20.9620 acres, more or less.	\$63,690.00
7	T-3945 06/15/17	R329442 OCTOBER 05, 2017	WOOD COUNTY, ET AL VS. WINNSBORO PROPERTIES, LLC, ET AL.	Tract 1 Lots 11 & 12, Block 13, City of Wimsboro, Wood County, Texas, described in Volume 2332, Page 31, Real Property Records of Wood County, Texas, and being also known as Lot 1 & 2 in the Revised Plat Record filed on May 7, 1941, in Volume 197, Page 167, Deed Records of Wood County, Texas (#R329442) (Subject to the City of Wimsboro liens)	\$60,610.00
8	T-3945 06/15/17	R67989 OCTOBER 05, 2017	WOOD COUNTY, ET AL VS. WINNSBORO PROPERTIES, LLC, ET AL.	Tract 2 1.1750 acre, more or less, situated in the G. B. King Survey, Abstract 3, City of Wimsboro, Wood County, Texas, as described in deed dated February 7, 2012, from Kenneth W. Thomas to Wimsboro Properties, LLC, in Clerk's File #2012-00001589, Real Property Records of Wood County, Texas (#R67989)	\$12,340.00
9	T-3956 05/30/17	R31054 OCTOBER 05, 2017	WOOD COUNTY, ET AL VS. SHERRYLL A. CAREY, A/K/A SHERRYLL ANN CAREY, A/K/A SHERRYLL MARTIN CAREY, ET AL.	Tract 1 Lot 472, Holly Lake Ranch Subdivision, Part II, Section VIIIa subdivision in Wood County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 8, Page 4, Plat Records of Wood County, Texas (#R31054)	\$6,500.00
10	T-3967 02/28/17	R25627 OCTOBER 05, 2017	WOOD COUNTY, ET AL VS. JAMES WENETSCHLAEGER, ET AL.	0.528 acre, more or less, being all of Lot 11 and part of Lot 10, Brookhaven in the Pines, Section 1, a subdivision in Wood County, Texas, as described in deed dated January 31, 2012, from Linda A. Owens to James Wenschlaeger, et ux, in Clerk's File #2012-00001337, Real Records of Wood County, Texas (#R25627)	\$204,000.00
11	T-3374 08/10/11	R25005 OCTOBER 05, 2017	THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY WAS STRUCK-OFF AT A PREVIOUS TAX SALE AND IS NOW BEING OFFERED FOR RE-SALE WOOD COUNTY, ET AL VS. CHARLES SCHRAM, DOING BUSINESS AS AMERICAN LAKESHORE CORPORATION, ET AL. (TAX SALE HELD MAY 1, 2012)	Lot 27, Block 3, Alba Lake Shores Subdivision, Unit 3, an addition to the City of Alba, Wood County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 4, Page 3, Plat Records of Wood County, Texas (#R25005)	\$800.00

(any volume and page references, unless otherwise indicated, being to the Deed Records, Wood County, Texas, to which instruments reference may be made for a more complete description of each respective tract.) or, upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion of the property described above shall be sold to satisfy said judgment(s), interest, penalties, and cost; and any property sold shall be subject to the right of redemption of the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the time and in the manner provided by law, and shall be subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or any person interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment(s) rendered in the above styled and numbered cause(s), together with interest, penalties, and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sales to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

Dated at Quitman, Texas, October 5, 2017

Sheriff Tom Castloo
Wood County, Texas

By 
Deputy

Notes:
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STATE OF TEXAS X BY VIRTUE OF A TAX WARRANTS ISSUED MARCH 1 & 6, APRIL 13 & 17, 2017

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WOOD COUNTY X DATED OCTOBER 5, 2017

and issued pursuant to Tax Warrant(s) issued by the District Court of Wood County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date, in the hereinafter numbered and styled tax warrant suits and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on March 1 & 6 and April 13 & 17, 2017, seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in November, 2017, the same being the 7th day of said month, at the East Door of the Courthouse of said County, in the City of Quitman, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. on said day, beginning at 1:30 p.m., proceed to sell to the highest bidder all the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such tax warrant(s) in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Wood and the State of Texas, to-wit:

SUIT NO. STYLE OF SUIT AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

T-3935 Wood County, et al vs. Jim Moreland, et al (Tax Warrant issued April 17, 2017)

Lot 124, Holly Lake Ranch, Section 3, Part 2, a subdivision in Wood County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 4, Page 88, Plat Records of Wood County, Texas, including a Mobile Home, 840 Sq Ft, Label #TXS0587210, Serial #1171448S2784, titled to Shannon Love with TDHCA, listed on tax rolls of Wood County in the name of Jim Moreland, located at 3124 Firelight Lane (#R28998)

T-3960 City of Hawkins, et al vs. Kathryn Smith Neu, et al (Tax Warrant issued April 17, 2017)

Lots 22B & 23B, Block 28, City of Hawkins, being an undivided 1/2 interest in and to Lots 22 & 23, Block 28, City of Hawkins, Woods County, Texas, described in Volume 201, Page 302, Deed Records of Woods County, Texas (#R35485)

T-4037 City of Winstboro, et al vs. Annie Lovelady, and the Unknown Heirs of Annie Lovelady, if Deceased, et al (Tax Warrant issued March 1, 2017)

90.00 feet by 88.00 feet, containing 0.182 acre, more or less, part of Lots 1 & 2, Block 4, Carroll Addition, an addition to the City of Winstboro, Wood County, Texas, as described in deed dated May 4, 1972, from Wanda Jean Bullard Wood, et vir to Annie Lovelady, in Volume 652, Page 790, Deed Records of Wood County, Texas (#R37895)

T-4038 City of Winstboro, et al vs. Clara Bell Scott, and the Unknown Heirs of Clara Bell Scott, if Deceased, et al (Tax Warrant issued March 6, 2017)

Lot 5, Block "Q"-1, City of Winstboro, Gray B. King Survey, Wood County, Texas, as described, as Tract 1, in Volume 1506, Page 397, Real Property Records of Wood County, Texas (#R40017)

T-4047 Wood County, et al vs. Freddie L. Williams, a/k/a Freddie L. Williams, Sr., a/k/a Freddie Louis Williams, et al (Tax Warrant issued April 13, 2017)

0.897 acre, more or less, situated in the W. B. Thomas Survey, Abstract 582, Wood County, Texas; of which 0.03 acre lies with the public road; as described in deed dated December 11, 2003, from Erma Ray, et al to Llewellyn Fambles, in Volume 2046, Page 66, Real Property Records of Wood County, Texas (#R22479)

T-4048 Wood County, et al vs. Ruby Burge, et al (Tax Warrant issued April 13, 2017)

Lot 15, Sandland Estates Subdivision, a subdivision in Wood County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 9, Page 205, Plat Records of Wood County, Texas (#R72424)

The following properties have been Struck-off at previous Tax Sales and are now being offered for Re-Sale

T-3921 Wood County, et al vs. James R. Bradley, et al (Tax Warrant Sale held May 3, 2016)

Lot 2-C, Block 2, Pine Ridge Acres Subdivision, a subdivision in Wood County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 9, Page 19, Plat Records of Wood County, Texas; SAVE & EXCEPT however, that certain 9.06 acre tract as described in Volume 1306, Page 414, Real Property Records of Wood County, Texas (#R66311)

T-3999 Wood County, et al vs. Travis Sharper, et al (Tax Warrant Sale held May 3, 2016)

1.047 acres, more or less, being all of that 3.00 acres in the John Gragg Survey, Abstract 226, described in a deed dated October 23, 1964, from Walter Fletcher, et al to Travis Sharper, et ux, filed in Volume 553, Page 17, Deed Records of Wood County, Less & Except, a 0.916 acre tract of land described in a deed dated May 23, 1968, from Travis Sharper, et ux to the State of Texas, filed in Volume 594, Page 311, Deed Records of Wood County, Less & Except, that 1.037 acres described in a deed dated April 18, 1985, from Travis Sharper, et ux to Melvin G. Duffey, et ux, filed in Volume 967, Page 532, also being called 1.547 acres, Save & Except 0.51 acre retained, all of the Real Property Records of Wood County, Texas (#R15456)

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The Hawkins Hawks played a good game but were narrowly defeated by the Kerens Bobcats, 28-26, Friday in their homecoming game. (Monitor photo by Dan Vickers)

Kerens outlasts Hawkins, 28-26, on Homecoming

By DAN VICKERS
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It was Homecoming night for the 0-6, 0-1 Hawkins Hawks, but the homecoming victory hopes were foiled by the 4-2, 1-0 Kerens Bobcats who won 28-26 in the first district game of the year for both teams.

The game was tightly played throughout the night. With the score sitting at 20 to 21 in favor of Kerens at the start of the fourth quarter a victory for the Hawks was achievable.

However, at the 8:11 mark in the fourth quarter Keren's Stacey Bailey ran for a touch-

down from the Hawk's 15-yard line and after the PAT moved the score to 20-28. The Hawks took the kickoff and struggled to keep this much needed drive alive. They converted a fourth and one at the 49-yard line to keep the ball moving past mid-field. And then on a first and 10 from the 27-yard line the Hawks threw an interception. However, on the second play of Keren's drive the Bobcats gave the ball back to Hawkins on a fumble.

The recovered ball was recovered on the 27-yard line and gave Hawkins new life with a fresh set of downs. On a first

and 10, the Bobcats were called for a facemask penalty. With 4:03 left in the fourth quarter the Hawks were in striking distance at the 12 yard line.

It took eight plays and another fourth down conversion from the seven yard line before the Hawks hit pay dirt on a nifty pass from Akim Richmond to Tristian Garrett. The score was 26 to 28 with 39 seconds left on the clock. The Hawks had one chance to make the 2-point conversion to tie the game and send it into overtime.

On a night that was a constant struggle of wills the visiting conference foe left as the victor.

After a scoreless first quarter the Bobcats were the first to score in the game, and then they scored again. But before halftime the Hawks got on the board making the score 8 to 14 at the break.

The Hawks quickly came out and got a score to start the third quarter. Starting on the 50-yard line they had four first downs and ended the drive with a 20-yard pass from Richmond. The extra point was missed but the game was now tied at 14 to 14 with 9:54 remaining in the quarter. Kerens then wasted little time and scored on a 50-yard jaunt by the quarterback and at the 9:04 mark they were back in

the lead for good with the score at 14 to 21. The Hawks kept the game interesting with a very good drive that started on their own 30-yard line and ended with a quarterback scamper on a third and nine from the Bobcat's 10-yard line and right into the end zone to make the score 20 to 21.

The Hawks played well this game, but the Bobcats played a little better and came out with the win on the road.

The Hawkins Hawks play again at home this Friday, against Cayuga in their second conference game of the season at 7:30 p.m.

Jackets

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ing him to do, which enabled us to really limit what Farmersville wanted to do offensively in their passing game."

The game began rather slowly for both offenses as neither team could sustain a drive early in the first quarter.

However Farmersville broke the 0-0 tie with just under six minutes to go in the first on a catch and run by Robert Aqueros.

After the interception by Franks, Mineola tied the game on a run by Quarterback Shaw Franklin early in the second quarter. Franklin finished with a team high 109 yards rushing.

On the Farmers' next possession they attempted a deep pass to their 6'5 receiver Malique Jones, however Castleberry who was in coverage on the play made a tremendous leaping catch and got one foot down in bounds before falling to the ground.

Mineola went on to take the lead on an ensuing possession when Franklin completed a 37-yard passing touchdown to Cody Ford to go up 14-7. Franklin also threw for 166 yards on the game.

The Farmers immediately responded to tie the game late in the second quarter just before halftime.

In the second half the Jackets used their running game led by

Trevion Sneed who scored two touchdowns.

The Jacket defense continued their solid defensive play forcing two fourth-down turnovers in the second half.

When asked what the keys to Friday night's victory were Blackwell said, "We won the turnover battle, intercepting them three times and adding a few key fourth down stops while taking care of the ball offensively. Offensively, we had big contributions from multiple players making it difficult for Farmersville to key on any one person. Defensively, I thought we were able to take away some of the things that they really wanted to do."

"I thought the secondary played well, and a big part of that was due to the pass rush we generated up front. I think we made good adjustments on both sides of the ball at halftime that helped us to win the second half 21-0. We ask our kids to play with-all out effort for 48 minutes, and that is exactly what they did Friday night," Blackwell said.

Going in to this game both Mineola and Farmersville were undefeated in district and were in a three-way tie for first place with Mt. Vernon High School.

The Jackets will look to take sole possession of first place in the district as they will travel to face the Mt. Vernon Tigers Friday at 7:30 p.m. Last season the Jackets beat the Tigers 42-6 in Mineola.

Quitman

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aces by Tanner giving the Lady Dogs a 3-0 advantage. Alba-Golden would fight back with some great net play and an Ellis kill put the Lady Panthers on top 11-9. The game stayed close with the teams fighting through long volleys and the lead continuously changing hands. The score was tied at 12-12, 14-14, 15-15, 16-16 and 17-17 before Quitman took the lead for good at 18-17. Julia Simpkins shot back a kill on an Alba-Golden tip to make it 23-19 and a Spears kill, which could not be handled, ended the game at 25-21.

Early in the second set Raley got a resounding kill which would set the pace for the game. With Quitman leading 9-5, Spears scored on a hard dropping serve which could not be returned to make it 10-5. Alba-Golden fought back from a 23 to 15 deficit to cut the lead to 23-19, but a Spears cross court kill to the back right corner ended the game at 25-20 for Quitman.

Set number three was tied 10-10 when the Lady Bulldogs took complete control as Quitman took over from there outscoring the Lady Panthers 15-5 the rest of the



Kaci Raley (12) and Julia Simpkins (3) go up to defend against Alba-Golden's Kenzie Chadwick in Tuesday night's game at Quitman. (Monitor photo by Larry Tucker)

way. For the game Raley had 15 digs, 13 kills, one ace; Tanner 12 digs, 12 kills, three aces; Hicks five digs, one kill, 37 assists; Spears 15 digs, 10 kills, five aces and Jackson 16 digs, 3 kills.

Quitman took it to Kemp Friday in dominating fashion by the scores of 25-11, 25-13, 25-6. Hicks led the way with 31 assists, three digs, three aces, one kill; Raley 12 digs, 17 kills, two blocks; Tanner 12 digs, six kills, three aces, two

assists; Spears 10 digs, seven kills; Jackson three 17 digs, three kills, four aces.

This week, the Lady Bulldogs continue their quest for an undefeated District 12-3A title Tuesday at Eustace and hosting Mineola Friday before winding up the season on the road at Grand Saline.

The Lady Bulldogs are now 29-7 for the year and 11-0 in district action and are currently ranked 17th in Class 3A by the Texas Girls Coaches Association.

COACHES CORNER



Mineola Head Football Coach
LUKE BLACKWELL

I was extremely proud of the effort our kids played with Friday night. We were in a tough ball game, had some things not go our way in the first half, but were able to make some adjustments at halftime and come out and play a great 2nd half. Offensively, we did a good job of mixing run and pass, and had several big plays by multiple players. Any time you are able to spread the ball around like we did, it makes it very difficult for the defense to key on any one player. Defensively, we were able to force 3 turnovers, keep constant pressure on the QB, and shut them out in the 2nd half. We are looking forward to the matchup this week in Mt. Vernon.

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Mineola Head Volleyball Coach
KERRY VAN CLEAVE

We are still looking for consistency that is needed on the court, until we find that we will continue to struggle. Mental Toughness is still a major factor we are missing. We do lots of good things, to be canceled out by a bad thing and we don't bounce back from it. Hoping to finish this next week off with improvement across the board.



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