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Jason Walters



Christopher James Griffin

## 2014 murder trial postponed again

By LARRY TUCKER

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The trial for a 2014 Mineola murder has again been delayed with no trial date set at this time. Jason Walters, 44, is accused in the fatal shooting of Christopher James Griffin, 18, in June 2014 behind the EZ Mart on North Pacific Street in

Mineola.

The shooting occurred on the night of June 15, 2014, after Walters had been involved in an argument inside the store. The two men agreed to go behind the store and finish their disagreement, but Walters took a gun. Griffin, who was not a part

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## Scouts Alumni Rally Tuesday at justice center

By LARRY TUCKER

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The Wood County Justice Center courtroom will be the site Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. for a gathering of people interested in becoming a part of Scouting Alumni and Friends.

The Wood County based My Honor organization will also be on hand in support of the group. The invitation to the meeting is extended to anyone wanting to be a part of building a strong alumni chapter to help scouting grow in Wood County.

Wood County Sheriff Tom Castloo said it was important for those interested in scouting to attend. "It will be a time to find out

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Neal Duncan is pictured here with his son James at the recent Kid Fish event at Lake Fork. Duncan, Cub Master of Pack 385 in Mineola, is an active member of Scouting Alumni and Friends. Duncan and other alumni members will be on hand at the open invitation meeting at Wood County Justice Center Tuesday, at 6:30 p.m. (Monitor photo by Larry Tucker)



Booker Jones

## Fund established for family of boy hurt in lawn mower accident

By DORIS NEWMAN

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By this time this edition is printed a fund will have been established at Mineola Community Bank to help Jason and Kristen Jones and their family after a lawn mower accident on Memorial Day that took their little boy's foot and one of his toes.

Donna Palmaer said many people had been asking if there was a way to help the Joneses after they heard about the accident. Mainly through social media many in the community learned of the tragedy when the family requested prayers for three-year-old Booker.

Jason is a 2008 Mineola High School graduate and was a Yellowjacket football standout. He married Kristen Dudley, a 2008 Big Sandy High School grad-

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## Mobile technology vehicle visits MHS Monday

Mineola School District staff and students had the unique opportunity to work inside the zSpace Mobile Lab to experience the newest augmented and virtual reality technology on Monday.

The lab was parked at the Mineola High School parking lot for several hours on Monday.

This technology is currently used in the medical field and is entering the education market for students in kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grades. The high-



An image from a promotional video shows how virtual reality computers and software can enhance learning, and excite interest, in students. The image is from zspace.com, the company whose mobile lab visited MISD students Monday.

ly interactive and collaborative integration of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) related content is also being expanded to include other content areas such as history, arts, and Career and Technology Education (CTE).

The Silicon Valley education company announced last fall that more than 400 K-12 school districts across the United States have adopted "zSpace Learning Labs,"

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A group of younger Mineola students exit the zSpace Mobile Lab Monday at lunchtime in the Mineola High School parking lot as another group awaits its turn to check out the augmented and virtual reality technology. (Monitor photo by Doris Newman)

## New officials do business for city of Alba

By TOMMY ANDERSON

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A new mayor and three new aldermen were in their seats at city hall Monday night as the Alba City Council held its first meeting with a slate of new public servants at the helm.

With former Alderman Sonny Hass beginning his new duties as mayor, the meeting was called to order with new Alderpersons Marja Heinert and Larry Harris joining alderperson Tammy

## Property owners receive notices about weeds, drainage issues

Kirkpatrick present and ready for duty.

One of the first orders of business was to select someone to fill the unexpired term of Gib Maynard, who resigned in May. Larry Jones, who just finished serving out the unexpired term of Glenda Deadmon, who had resigned from the council in November of 2016, was quickly nominated and voted in to fill

that spot and was immediately sworn into office.

Appointments to a number of key positions were also approved Monday night with Heinert becoming the mayor pro-tem, Charles Busby back as city judge, Theresa Margos becoming the city's representative on the Wood County Industrial

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## This Week in Your Neighborhood

- Fridays bring chair yoga at the Forever Young Activity Center in Quitman from 10-11 a.m.
- Also on Friday, the old Clark School Reunion in Quitman registration is from 7-9 p.m. and on Saturday the plans include a program, lunch and fellowship at 11 a.m. and activities go through Sunday with a service at Brock's Chapel United Methodist Church.
- The Bread of Life fundraising breakfast will be Saturday at Harvest Acres Baptist Church from 7-9:30 a.m. Donations are accepted for the meal.
- "Save the Bees" depicted in painted hives will be on display at the Winnsboro Farmers Market from 8

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## Letter to the Editor

Dear editor,  
The historic 2016 election result produced hope, protests, and fear and loathing. Four months into President Trump's presidency, the fears of many appear to be justified by the DOJ's appointment of special counsel Robert Mueller. Now, Trump and his associates are under criminal investigation for possible illegalities such as collusion with a foreign enemy (during and after the election) and obstruction of justice. Forty-four years ago the Watergate investigation began, and there are similarities. The differences, however, make Russiagate much more serious. Giving "aid and comfort" to our enemy Putin raises treason issues. Nixon approved

breaking into Democratic office files and then obstructed justice when he orchestrated a cover-up and fired the special prosecutor. Trump fired James Comey when the FBI director revealed the bureau's Russia investigation. Even if no indictments result, Trump's habitual lying and disregard for the norms and dictates of the presidency could lead to the political remedy of impeachment. Every American, regardless of political stance, wants our president to honor our constitution, obey our laws, and protect our democratic freedoms. When he acts differently, we need to be informed with the facts that explain what went wrong and why removal from office is the result.  
**Bonnie Hardaway**

## Tucker's Turf

By Larry Tucker



LARRY TUCKER

His Florsheim dress shoes sit on my closet floor today, 13 years after he last wore them. A black dress shirt he wore on special occasions hangs above the shoes. His Schofield Study Bible, with notes and dates written throughout, commands attention on a shelf in my home library. In that

Bible are not only notes, but church notices from yesteryear from Forest Hill Baptist, Clover Hill Baptist and Hubbard Chapel Baptist, some showing the order of songs he would lead during the Sunday services.

This Sunday, June 18, is Father's Day across the land. I hope and pray you honor your father, or honor his memory as I do, and my sister Patricia Ann, and brother, Carey Fred, will no doubt do. Clent Jackson Tucker was like no other man to me. To this day, my Dad is still my biggest hero and the most influential person in my life.

My Pop was my first and best coach in basketball and baseball. He always took time to be there, not just for our family, but for others. He coached little league baseball and won state

and national championships when he coached 15 to 18 year olds. He served as president of Boys Baseball, Inc. in Dallas in the late 1960s. He literally introduced me to Mickey Mantle prior to a national tournament baseball game. He got me autographs from Detroit Tigers Norm Cash and Al Kaline while he was in Detroit on union business. I was in the hospital recovering from my first spinal fusion when I got a telegram from Kaline, one of my favorite players, wishing me a successful recovery, all because Dad met him at Tiger Stadium between games at a double-header and told him about me.

Dad worked part time as a security guard at the Cotton Bowl, so as a youngster, I got to go to many games at the fabled stadium before the Dallas Cowboys ever

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# 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.  
AL ANON - 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 Monday, 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.  
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.  
DUPLICATE 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 (Toys for Tots) - third Tuesday, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall. 903-569-6481, commandant.  
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 am.  
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  
OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS - Tuesday, 5:30 p.m., St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church. 569-9223, 569-1760.  
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 Community 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.  
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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.  
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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, covered dish and meeting at 6 p.m. 903-383-7036 or www.woodcountymd.org.  
WOOD COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY - third Monday, January through May and September through November, 7 p.m., Quitman Public Library, Shamburg 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, 6:30 p.m., Yantis Community Center.

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A monument stands on the grounds which formerly was the location of W.B. Clark School which served the African American community in Quitman and surrounding areas for over 30 years prior to integration. (Monitor photo by Larry Tucker)

# Clark School Reunion Friday

By LARRY TUCKER  
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It was not always just the Quitman Bulldogs throughout local history. The W.B. Clark School was the home of the mighty Tigers and it was just west of present day Quitman in the area where the Wood County Appraisal District office now stands near Brock's Chapel Church.

The Quitman Colored School / W.B. Clark School Reunion will be held at Carroll Green Civic Center at 602 McAllister Street in Quitman, Brock's Chapel Church United Methodist Church and the Memorial Site with registration and packet pick-up at Brock's Chapel Fellowship Hall from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday.

On Saturday, there will be a program with lunch and fellowship beginning at 11 a.m. Activities will include a banquet Saturday evening at 7 p.m. at the civic center followed by a Sunday morning service at Brock's Chapel United Methodist Church.

The Quitman Colored School was founded by

Lawrence Lincoln Deloney in 1936 who went to the Wood County School Board to ask why the African American communities did not have a high school. Deloney was told to gather signatures from parents of children attending the area one-room schools. Deloney was unable to write so he enlisted Professor A.D. Sanders to help.

The signatures were collected and construction of a building began in 1936. It was completed in 1937 and in 1938 Quitman Colored School started with the consolidation of all community African American one-room schools which consisted of Caney, Mt. Enterprise, Muddy Creek, Shiloh, Rock Hill and Concord. Over 400 students enrolled the first year.

All the teachers were certified by Prairie View A&M College and the first principal, A.D. Sanders, also taught classes. First teachers at the school were Lillie Sanders (first and second grades); Verdie Clark (third and fourth grade); Willie Clark

(fifth grade); Ella Flournoy (sixth grade); Professor Gholston taught music; Mattie Muckleroy homemaking; Professor W.B. Clark, Lucky McMillian taught math and other teachers were Evelyn Jones and Professor Henry Berry. In the second year Professor Sanders hired Elmo Lyons to teach agriculture and shop.

In February of 1947 the school burned down due to wiring problems. School children finished the year in local churches and graduation was held at St. John Baptist Church. A new block school was built in 1948, later adding a gymnasium and homemaking room. In 1956 the Quitman Colored School was renamed W.B. Clark High School.

"We all remember W.B. Clark High School with fond memories and are forever grateful to the individuals who helped shape our lives," Patricia Russell Durst, class president 1965, explained. "We shall never forget the struggle of that generation before us. Let us always remember and cherish that memory."

Professor Sanders, Professor Clark and Professor L.V. Greene all served as principals with Greene the administrator at the time of the school's closing in 1965. In 1965 the new Civil Rights Act was passed and W.B. Clark School was closed. The last class to graduate from Clark numbered 16 students.

The Clark High School final graduating class members were Lynn Brisco, Mack Collier, David Cunningham, Patricia Russell Durst, Rose M. Berry Fielder, Edward Gordon, Billy E. Grant, Dorothy Henson, Alford C. Kelly, Vera Brisco Lee, Phyllis Montgomery Long, Mollie Sharper Proctor, Joe Mack Sayles, Lucille Sharper, Dwight Smith and Patricia Taylor.

## Fundraising breakfast Saturday

Harvest Acres Baptist Church is hosting this month's Bread of Life Breakfast.

The church is located at 1062 W. State Loop 564. The all-you-can-eat breakfast is available for a donation of \$7 for adults and \$5 for children. Volunteers will serve breakfast from 7 - 9:30 a.m.

## James Tatum selected as grand marshal for McFarland Reunion

Mineola native James Tatum, a jazz musician will be the grand marshal at the annual McFarland School Reunion parade on July 7 at 11 a.m. While here he will also have a video presentation of his foundation.

The James Tatum Foundation for the Arts that Tatum based out of Detroit, Michigan was created in 1987 and recently celebrated its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The anniversary was celebrated with a jazz concert at the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall. The foundation gives out several grants and scholarships to youth and college students.

Since opening, the foundation has assisted over 565 students compiling to over \$373,000 in scholarships given out.

The foundation also gives back to the community with their "Give a Toot" program where there have provided over 467 instruments to elementary, middle and high school students.



James Tatum

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## Dobbs, Mix on Baylor Dean's List

Austin Dobbs, College of Arts and Sciences, and Thomas Mix, School of Education, both of Quitman, were named to the Baylor University Dean's Academic honor roll for the 2017 spring semester. To be named to the Dean's List, a student must be an undergraduate with a minimum grade point average of 3.7, while enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours.

## Cattle Raisers meeting Monday

The Texas and Southwest Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) will host a ranch gathering Monday at the Region 8 Education Service Center in Pittsburg. TSCRA Special Ranger Toney Hurley will provide a law enforcement update and offer ranchers information on how they can keep their livestock and equipment safe and secure. Attendees will be briefed on status of eminent domain reform, tax issues and other areas of interest to cattle raisers and the community will be discussed as well.

Registration will begin at 5:30 p.m. and will be followed by a complimentary beef dinner. RSVP is required by calling 800-242-7820, ext. 192 or [rsvp@tscra.org](mailto:rsvp@tscra.org). The center is located at 4845 Highway 271, Pittsburg. From Pittsburg go Hwy 271 north, exit on 255 and turn right on County Road 54600.

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**These 2 dogs which have previously been featured are still at the shelter.**



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## Alba

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Commission Board of Directors, Maynard being named the citizen representative on the EDC and Kirkpatrick selected the city's representative.

The council received and approved departmental reports from the water and sewer department, the police department, the Economic Development Commission and the library.

Police Chief Tim Koonce addressed the council on problems with overgrown weeds and trees that were affecting drainage and road conditions in a couple of areas of town.

"I have sent out a few letters

to property owners about the city ordinance concerning this, but have received no response," Koonce said.

After a bit of discussion on the problem Koonce was instructed to send letters to all land owners involved in the problem area along with a copy of the ordinance detailing the responsibilities of the land owner.

The ordinance states that if the property line is within 100 feet of the roadway the land owner is responsible for the maintenance of grass, weeds, and trees from the property line to the road. If land owners do not comply with the ordinance after being notified, the city will have the work done at the homeowner's expense. If the homeowner fails to pay that expense the city can then file a

lien against that property. During the EDC report, it was noted that the EDC will sponsor a Wild Hog Cookoff during the observance of Halloween on the square.

Koonce reported to the council he had compiled the 2016 Racial Profiling Report as required by the federal government. In that report, it was noted that of the 668 citations issued by the Alba Police Department, 62 were to Hispanics, 42 were to African Americans, 4 to persons of Asian descent and 2 to Middle Easterners. That left 558 citations going to persons of the Caucasian persuasion.

Three bids for city bank depository services were received and CNB bank was awarded the bid largely due to the no fees services offered.

## This week

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a.m. to noon. Patrons will get to vote for their favorites and the Wood County Beekeepers Association will have bees on view in an observation hive with an extraction at noon.

- The 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Quitman Volunteer Fire Department will be held at the fire station next to Quitman City Hall on East Goode Street beginning at 11 a.m. Saturday.

- A reception honoring the retirement of Dr. Charles Thompson, Democratic Party chairman, will be held Monday at the Forever Young Activity Center in Quitman at 404 S. Main Street from 6 to 8 p.m.

- The Scouting Alumni and Friends rally will be at the Wood County Justice Center courtroom Tuesday 6:30 p.m. All interested parties are welcome. See related story.

## Virtual reality

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which feature all-in-one augmented reality / virtual reality computers with educational software to support their STEM curriculum, as well as art, social studies and CTE/health career programs.

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## Tucker

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came to town. I was seven years old when I got to be SMU quarterback Don Meredith's ball boy on the sidelines for one game. It was a wet day and I got to towel dry the footballs when they came to the sideline.

It was July 12, 2004, when I got the call. I was the part-time Sports Editor at the Wood County Democrat and a full time teacher and coach at Yantis. Dad was working at the civic center (in Quitman) he loved so much, sweeping the floor. Mom called and said something was wrong with Dad. I got to the civic center as the EMT ambulance arrived. Dad simply said "Son,

I just can't breathe." He was rushed to the local hospital, but as hard as Dr. Norman Hicks tried, a massive heart attack would take my father's life that day. I will never forget and will always treasure Dr. Hicks being so warm and kind with my mother that day. I did get to tell Pop I loved him and one of the last things I ever heard my Dad utter was, "I love you Peanut," to my Mom as he slipped into eternity.

My friend Nell French was there. She asked me to do something I thought I could not do, write a story about my Dad for the next issue of the Wood County Democrat. Fighting through tears and a flood of memories, I sat alone in the darkened Democrat office, and wrote about my Dad. I spent the night on the floor by my desk, but I got it done. I'm sure writing those words helped me on my journey through the grief process.

Dad loved Quitman. He moved back to Quitman from Dallas after retiring from 30 plus years with Ford Motor Company on East Grand Avenue in Dallas. I always accused him of "retiring so he could go to work." That is what he did in Quitman. He became involved as the Quitman Chamber of Commerce manager, and was one of those instrumental, along with many of his friends, in building

the Carroll Green Civic Center. He served on the city council when his good friend Joe Waddleton was mayor. He got involved with Quitman Youth Foundation at the urging of another friend and Quitman grad, Bill Poe. My Pop was the 1986 Citizen of the Year in Quitman.

Of all the things he did, his 19-year involvement with the Old Settlers Reunion was his favorite thing. With my mom, Libby, always by his side, he spent night after night preparing and making sure everything went right during that first week of August.

My Dad was a true example for my family. I got custody of my children in 1974, but it was my parents who raised them to be the wonderful adults they have become. I was in and out of Quitman trying to find my way through a daze of alcohol and drugs, but my Dad (and Mom) still stood strong with me when, in 1997, I became sober. The last seven years of his life we became very close and I learned so much from simply listening to him.

He was a proud Army veteran, a man of honor, honesty, and extreme loyalty to his family and those he called friend. His roots came from his parents, George and Artie Tucker, who were the unquestionable leaders of the Tucker clan.

I look with great

satisfaction today at the wonderful father my son Cory is to his son, Zane, and daughter, Jordan. I have watched with pride my daughter, Carley, be mom and dad to her 18-year old daughter, Lauren, despite the struggles of being the single mom of a profoundly deaf child.

I know my wife's Dad, Don McVey, was a good man and loving father. I can tell by the way she shares her memories and love for her Dad, who also passed away in 2004. When her Dad was no longer able to physically do work, Lorna would listen and he would guide her through the process of whatever project he had going. She would be his hands on a variety of jobs. I just wish I could have known him.

My brother and his wife have raised three boys, two of which are great dads and husbands, the other a UT graduate, and a good man. My sister's husband of 48 years, Mike, has long been an example as a husband and father. I have been blessed by those around me.

I hope you celebrate this week with your father, be it in person or in a memory. I know as I look at those Floresheim wingtips in my closet, I will never be able to fill those shoes. What I can do at 66 years of age, is simply strive to be a better man, a man like Clent Jackson Tucker.



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1 it could be used for the word "bank"

5 UH has won lots of \_\_\_\_\_ golf titles

6 TXism: "you can write \_\_\_\_\_ ink"

7 French explorer of TX: *Seur de Salle*

8 degree of many TX professors

9 TXism: "got an \_\_\_\_\_ (saw a lot)"

15 Corpus Christi TV

16 TXism: "crooked as a \_\_\_\_\_ snakes"

18 former river channels in the Rio Grande Valley

20 a Texan flew scout for atomic bomber \_\_\_\_\_ Gay

22 a Caribbean site for TX-based Grandy's

27 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ a soul"

28 thrilled

29 this TX Earle was \_\_\_\_\_ & Bailey's "Tallest Man in the World"

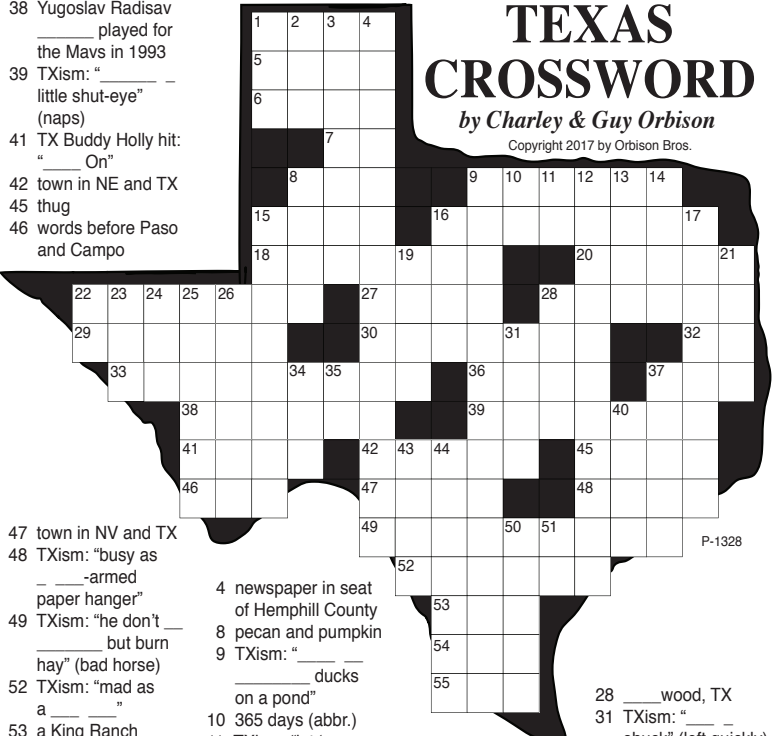
30 Italian POW who painted a mural in a Castro County chapel

32 this Zaprunder filmed JFK assassination (init.)

33 TXism: "mad \_\_\_\_\_ snake"

36 TXism: "never \_\_\_\_\_ anything in the glow of a neon light"

37 "Honest \_\_\_\_\_"



38 Yugoslav Radisav \_\_\_\_\_ played for the Mavs in 1993

39 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ little shut-eye" (naps)

41 TX Buddy Holly hit: "\_\_\_\_\_ On"

42 town in NE and TX

45 thug

46 words before Paso and Campo

47 town in NV and TX

48 TXism: "busy as \_\_\_\_\_-armed paper hanger"

49 TXism: "he don't \_\_\_\_\_ but burn hay" (bad horse)

52 TXism: "mad as a \_\_\_\_\_"

53 a King Ranch Kleberg

54 a cable network before it was called "Spike"

55 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ money" (change)

**DOWN**

1 NYSE symbol for TX-based Burlington Northern, Inc.

2 TXism: "play possum"

3 TXism: "I'll \_\_\_\_\_ hide to the barn door"

4 newspaper in seat of Hemphill County

8 pecan and pumpkin

9 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ ducks on a pond"

10 365 days (abbr.)

11 TXism: "let '\_\_\_\_\_ rip!"

12 TX Roy Orbison duet with Emmylou: "That Lovin' You \_\_\_\_\_"

13 arm bone

14 stolen goods

15 TX Robert Benton directed 1979 film \_\_\_\_\_

16 TXism: "a real \_\_\_\_\_ burner" (exciting)

17 plant once thought to repel itchy pests

19 government medical program: Medi \_\_\_\_\_

21 axlike tool

22 air gun ammo

23 Friona High School class

24 there's 24 in a day (abbr.)

25 in 1853, King Ranch land cost 2¢ \_\_\_\_\_

26 Valley's "Texas Citrus \_\_\_\_\_"

28 \_\_\_\_\_ wood, TX

31 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ shuck" (left quickly)

34 "Cowpokes" artist Reid

35 "yes" so. of border

37 TXism: "gave me \_\_\_\_\_ and a dance" (runaround)

40 crazy person

43 sound made by a "mobile mouse trap"

44 Dallas' 1st female mayor, Strauss

50 shower sandal

51 TXism: "careless about which horse \_\_\_\_\_ saddles" (thief)



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## Mineola Police Report

Mineola police report for the past week included:

June 7 – At 10:56 a.m. officers assisted EMS when someone at Brookshire's reported a man in a vehicle in the parking lot unresponsive. The man was transported by emergency medical technicians.

A customer of Mineola Community Bank made a fraud report when his debit card was used without permission.

June 6 – Shane Kibodeaux, 46, Mineola was arrested on a Jasper County warrant for probation violation for manufacturing/delivery of a controlled substance. He was a passenger in a vehicle that was pulled over on East Broad for an expired registration.

A man on Line Street reported criminal mischief when two teenagers were riding lawnmowers down the street and

ran over his trash can causing damage. The boys were talked to and agreed to purchase the man a new trash can.

June 5 – A woman on Kings Lane reported her former boyfriend threatened her. An officer talked with the man and advised him to stop contacting the woman.

Walmart reported a theft by a former employee. There is an investigation. There was also a report from Walmart for theft when grocery items were scanned in the self-checkout and not paid for.

A suspicious person was reported at the 100 block of East Broad Street when he was seen lingering around the area for a long time. An officer talked with the man who said he was using the WIFI in the area.

At 11 p.m. James Jerome Rusheon, 45, Emory, was arrested

for possession of marijuana over 4 ounces and possession of controlled substance over 4 grams. He was a passenger in a vehicle that was pulled over for a traffic violation on East Broad Street.

June 4 – At 12:11 a.m. a fight in progress was reported at Gateway Lanes on East Broad Street. Both subjects had left the area before the officer arrived.

Marijuana and methamphetamines were reported to police as found inside donated items at Goodwill.

June 3 – Police warned a resident on Krause Street regarding the city ordinance against shooting fireworks.

Lorenzo Ramone Pierce, 29, Tyler, was arrested for driving while license invalid and operating a vehicle with improper registration when he was stopped on South Pacific Street.

A disturbance involving several people at Wigley and Welch Streets was reported. Officers talked with everyone and they stated it was verbal at the time.

June 2 – Officers were called to Goodson Circle where a small child was locked inside a running vehicle. The car was unlocked and the baby was unharmed.

Goodwill reported a theft when a customer laid her cell phone down on a shelf and later returned to find it missing. The phone case was located in a different location.

Taylor James Christensen, 29, Hawkins, was arrested for driving while license invalid. A citizen contacted the police when they witnessed a Hyundai being driven recklessly on South Pacific Street. Christensen was pulled over on northwest Loop 564 and found to have no valid

driver's license.

June 1 – At 3:49 a.m. Stacey Deann Walton, 46, Mineola, was arrested for driving while intoxicated and evading arrest in a vehicle at the drive thru at Whataburger after a witness contacted the police regarding reckless driving. The officer saw two open containers and instructed Walton to pull out of the drive thru for further investigation. She proceeded out of the parking lot with an officer pursuing her and continued driving until she stopped on Kenny Drive.

Officers did a welfare check on a woman who left the hospital in Tyler and was staying at the Best Western.

There was a report of damage to a vehicle while in the parking lot of the Broad Street Church of Christ the night before and some damage two weeks prior.

## Wood County Sheriff's Report

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

June 6 – Sheri Kinstley, 39, Mineola was arrested for public intoxicated when deputies were sent to County Road 2263 in reference to a disturbance. Before the deputies arrived everyone had left the scene, however, they did see a car that fit the description and stopped the vehicle for investigation.

A traffic stop and driver's license check near Winnsboro resulted in the arrest of Marcus Miller, 39, Scroggins for multiple outstanding warrants.

A burglary was reported on Farm-to-Market 2869 when the reporting party said a log splitter was stolen. The case was sent to investigators.

At 4:14 p.m. cows were reported out on CR 1413 near Quitman.

June 5 – A resident on CR 1858 near Yantis reported several items stolen, including a trimmer mower and chainsaw, from the barn in the back of the property. The case was forwarded to investigators.

Deputies responded to a

disturbance at Lake Holbrook at about 5:17 p.m. All parties were separated and left the scene.

A chain saw was reported stolen from a residence on FM 515 near Winnsboro. The case was forwarded to investigators.

Two utility task vehicles (UTVs) were reported stolen by a complainant. The case was sent to investigators.

At 4:26 a.m. cows were reported out on FM 49 and CR 3270.

June 4 – Michael Smith, 32, Gilmer, a passenger in a car that was stopped on Lynch Street near Hawkins, was arrested at approximately 12:51 a.m. for possession of a controlled substance.

A case of credit card or debit card abuse was reported to the sheriff's office by a person on CR 2129 near Quitman. The victim told deputies their bank account had fraudulent activity and unknown charges. The case was forwarded to investigators.

A complainant said a known person took his vehicle from his residence in Hawkins and has not returned it. The case was forwarded to investigators.

At 9:26 a.m. horses were reported out on CR 3580 near Winnsboro, and at 4:26 a.m. cows were reported out on FM 49 and 3270.

June 3 – Deputies received a call regarding unauthorized use of a vehicle. The complainant told deputies someone they knew took a vehicle from CR 1950 near Yantis and had not returned.

Deputies answered a call regarding an assault that had already happened on Private Road 5860 near Yantis.

A disturbance at Lake Holbrook at approximately 5:25 p.m. was reported. One of the individuals left the scene and was stopped on Highway 69 by deputies. Nicholas Price, 24, Grand Saline failed a sobriety test and was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

A complainant on FM 779, Alba reported criminal mischief. They told deputies they wanted to document damage to their mailbox.

A suspicious vehicle on CR 4460 call was made, about 7:08 p.m. When deputies arrived they were unable to locate the

vehicle.

Deputies answered a call on CR 2389 near Alba concerning a theft. The complainant said someone they knew stole several items from the residence while visiting. The case was forwarded to investigators.

At 9:03 a.m. cows were reported out on FM 2966 and CR 1410 and at 9:05 on FM 2088.

June 2 – Deputies were dispatched to CR 4552 near Winnsboro in reference to a burglary. The complainant reported damage to the inside of the mobile home and said several items were stolen. The case was sent to Investigators.

A report of a dog bite was taken. The victim said they were attacked and bitten by a dog at a residence on Highway 69. The dog will be put in quarantine.

A criminal trespass call was made to the sheriff's department from Holiday villages. Deputies gave a criminal trespass warning.

At 10:16 a.m. horses were reported out on FM 778 and CR 3220; at 11:09 cows were reported out on FM 4967 and CR 3130

near Quitman and at 12:04 p.m. on FM 361/ CR 1660 near Alba, and at 6:21 p.m. on Highway 154 and CR 3230.

June 1 – At 3:28 p.m. deputies were called to assist with a multiple vehicle accident in Quitman.

Deputies spoke with a complainant regarding harassment that occurred on FM 2225, near Quitman.

A call was received at approximately 6:16 p.m. regarding child custody. Deputies gave the reporting party the needed information.

Bobby Gene Boswell, 45, Mineola was arrested for assault causing bodily injury following a disturbance on Highway 37, at 9:53 p.m. near Mineola.

May 31 – Deputies received a burglary report on CR 3204 near Quitman. Several items were damaged or stolen from the reporting party's storage unit. The case was forwarded to investigators.

At 5:25 p.m. deputies answered an inquest call on Highway 37. The justice of the peace pronounced the 44-year-old man deceased and an autopsy was ordered.

A complainant contacted deputies in reference to a burglary on County Road 2320 near Quitman. The door of the home was damaged and an Xbox 1 was stolen. The case was forwarded to investigators.

At 8:06 p.m. cows were reported out on Highway 154 and CR 3230.

Due to multiple reports about fraudulent activity on bank accounts, Sheriff Castloo would like to remind everyone to check your bank statements carefully for any unusual charges.

Total Jail Count 141 prisoners 117 males and 24 females.

Sheriff Castloo would like to remind everyone, if you have information on these or any other crimes, please contact the Wood County Sheriff's office at 903-763-2201 or Crime Stoppers at 903-763-CASH.

## Trial

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of the altercation inside the store, was shot in the neck and died on the way to the hospital.

402<sup>nd</sup> District Court Judge Jeff Fletcher will be on the bench for the case. "The Walters case has been continued because during the course of the investigation about the case, certain things have arisen that were unknown to both sides before that need to be further developed and investigated so that due process can be had," Fletcher acknowledged.

Wood County District Attorney Jim Wheeler explained further. "I've had in the neighborhood of a half-dozen new cases that have been presented to me involving eye witnesses to the indicted case. I have signed motions to revoke as two of my eyewitnesses involving their probation and a third has been indicted

for aggravated assault," Wheeler elaborated. "I have had to recuse myself on their criminal cases because I have a conflict of interest. I had to disclose those matters to the defense under the Michael Morton Act and that has postponed our trial. After the completion of those cases and the ancillary matters that have to be investigated I anticipate we will still go to trial. But at this time we simply cannot certify the case under the Michael Morton Act."

The Michael Morton Act, or Texas Senate Bill 1611 Wheeler referred to, was signed into law by Texas Governor Rick Perry May 16, 2013. The Act is designed to ensure a more open discovery process. The bill's open file policy removes barriers for accessing evidence.

Michael Morton was a man who was wrongfully convicted in 1987 for the 1986 murder of his wife Christine Morton. He spent 25 years in prison

before he was exonerated by DNA evidence which supported his claim of innocence and pointed to the crime being committed by another individual. The prosecutor, Ken Anderson, was convicted of contempt of court for withholding evidence after the judge had ordered its release for the defense.

Walters is being defended by Buck Files, Cynthia Kent and Brett Harrison of Tyler.

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Dr. Cosgrove has been on several medical mission trips and plans to do more. Her desire to serve others prompted her to pursue a career in medicine.

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## Mineola Fire Report

Mineola Fire Department reports for the past week included:

June 5 - At 10:34 p.m. helped EMS on a medical assist on County Road 2920;

June 4 – At 4:43 p.m. the department helped EMS with medical assist on Heritage Drive;

June 3 – At 2:56 p.m. the

department assisted EMS with a medical call on Private road 6645 and at 4:57 p.m. they answered a motor vehicle accident with injuries call on Farm to Market 1253 and

June 2 – At 4:43 p.m. the department was called to what turned out as a controlled burn on Highway 80 west.

# Mineola Memorial Library Notes

BY LIBRARIAN MARY HURLEY

Summer break has arrived. The library had a wonderful turn out on June 8 for the first day of the Summer Reading Program. Tweens and Teens hosted 16 participants and the kindergarten to fifth grade group had 22 participants. Each Wednesday in June will have activities for the children at 2 p.m.



are reading and the material meets your home guidelines, let them read.

The bookmobile made its annual appearance at summer school with the primary students on Tuesday and the elementary students on Thursday. Each grade was presented a program and an opportunity to check out books. This visit will continue for the three weeks of summer school.

We love the increased visits by the children to the Mineola Memorial Library. We remind parents they are responsible for their children and the behavior of their children at all times in the library.

Heads up for a fun program on Thursday, July 13 when the Trailblazer Trailer will visit Mineola from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is an interactive, hands-on Science exhibit for

children; especially those in third to eighth grade. Stay tuned for more details as it gets closer.

Have you explored our TexShare Databases? Do you know what those are? The TexShare Databases are on-line resources provided free of charge to our patrons. There is a section for Do-It-Yourself Home Improvement and Hobbies and Crafts. There is pronunciation where you can learn a new language. There is Learning Express where you can work on your GED test preparation; get ahead on other school subjects; and work on your job skills. If you have an active library card, visit our website and log into the card catalog then click on the TexShare icon and explore.

Some people have asked why we do not carry all of the books in a particular series. Sometimes it is because

books have gone missing; sometimes it is because replacement is next to impossible and sometimes it is because a number of books in the series just did not circulate so they were removed to make room for other selections. There is only so much space in the library and difficult decisions have to be made as to what to keep and what to let go. Just thought you might be curious.

The Library received a donation from the Twentieth Century Club honoring Kathy Lewis for her service as president of the organization.

The Mineola Memorial Library is a 501(c)3, non-profit and your donations are not only truly appreciated; they are tax deductible.

Visit the Library at 301 N. Pacific, give us a call at 903-569-2767, or check out our website mineolalibrary.com. Hope to see you soon!

## It's never too late to start yoga, improving your health

There is a program each Friday morning at Forever Young Activity Center

in Quitman: chair yoga, which is becoming a popular activity. Sessions are

from 10-11 a.m. at the center, 404 South Main Street.

One in nine Americans has embraced the ancient health practice of yoga. It can be done anywhere. If you're interested in following the phrase "to take

a deep breath and join in," read on.

Many people start yoga with a specific goal in mind such as alleviating back pain, reducing stress, or improving their golf swing, but the practice can result in head-to-toe, full-body benefits.

The slow, controlled breathing inherent in yoga practice decreases nervous system activity, which helps manage blood pressure levels. Yoga is also a group of exercises that doesn't discriminate by age. It is reported that 39 percent of those who practice yoga are older than 50.

## Ag News

BY CLINT PERKINS, WOOD COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT

### Look out for armyworms after recent rains

If you are in the forage business you need to be on the watch for armyworms. I have already had reports of armyworm damage. With the recent rain, producers need to be diligent in watching their pastures and fields.

The armyworm has four life stages: egg, larva, pupa and adult. The armyworm has not shown the ability to diapause so its ability to survive winter depends on the severity of the temperature. The armyworm does overwinter in the southern regions of Texas in the pupa stage. The adult is a moth that migrates northward as temperatures increase in the spring. The adult moth has a wingspan of one and one half inches. The hind wings are white; the front wings are dark gray, mottled with lighter and darker splotched. Each forewing has a noticeable whitish spot near the extreme tip.



Eggs are very small and are laid in clusters of 50 or more and covered with grayish, fuzzy scales from the body of the female moth. The eggs are seldom seen and are laid at the base of appropriate host plants.

Larvae hatch from the eggs and when full-grown larvae are green, brown or black and about one to one and one half inches long when full grown. The larvae have a dark head capsule usually marked with a pale, but distinct, inverted "Y". The larvae have five stages or instars and usually hide in debris on the soil surface in the middle of the day. When full grown larvae will enter the soil and form the pupa stage. Adult moths emerge from pupae. Moths mate and lay eggs, thus starting the life cycle over again. Lush plant growth is preferred by the adults for egg laying.

Several generations (a generation is the development from egg to adult stage) occur each year and typically the life cycle from egg to adult takes 28 days. The life cycle can be extended if cooler temperatures occur and can last up to several months. Armyworms in the spring and summer occur in more distinct groups than later in the season. Populations of larvae often blend together several generations and may appear to be continually occurring.

When feeding larvae strip foliage and then move to the next available food. High populations appear to march side by side to the new food, thus the name armyworms have been applied. Armyworms attack many different kinds of plants. When food is scarce they will move to plants that are not normally attacked. Armyworms can be found on nearly any plant as they migrate in search of edible foliage. Plants attacked by armyworms include, Bermuda grass, grain and forage sorghum, corn, small grains, sweet potato, beans, turnips, clover, spinach, cucumber, potatoes, tomatoes and many more.

Damage consists of foliage consumption. The small larvae will chew the green layer from the leaves and leave a clearing or "window pane" effect. The first three instars do very little feeding while the last two in-

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### MEALS ON WHEELS

**THIS WEEK'S MENUS:**

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**Friday, June 16** - Salisbury Beef, Mushroom Gravy, Northern Beans, Wheat Bread, Cinnamon Applesauce, Milk

**Monday, June 19** - Beef Tips with Gravy, Buttered Rice, Wheat Bread, Spiced Apples, Milk

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Mr. Bradley was selected by the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth as the President of **CHRISTUS Mother Frances Hospital - Tyler** in 1981. A young veteran of the health care industry already, Bradley had been serving as Chief Operating Officer of Hermann Hospital, a 900-bed teaching hospital in Houston. For more than 36 years, Bradley – along with lifelong friend and partner Ray Thompson – planned, pursued and pieced together one of the first fully integrated health care systems in the nation.

Bradley's leadership team at CHRISTUS Mother Frances Hospital - Tyler significantly improved the financial and operational performance of the hospital. Bradley had a unique ability to prepare for the future of health care, adding new service lines for cardiology, cardiac surgery and EMS. In 1989, CHRISTUS Mother Frances Hospital - Tyler was recognized as Texas Business of the Year. Mr. Bradley was recognized by *Modern Healthcare Magazine* as a Top Turnaround CEO.

In 1995, Bradley led the creation of CHRISTUS Trinity Mother Frances Health System, a highly integrated health system that would become a model for organizations of all sizes throughout the country. Under Bradley's leadership, CHRISTUS Trinity Mother Frances Health System has been recognized repeatedly as among the finest health care organizations in the country.

In 1999, Mr. Bradley was awarded the Leonard A. Duce Award for outstanding leadership and significant contribution to the field of health care administration by Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Bradley received the Distinguished Citizen Good Turn Award from the Boy Scouts of America in 2003. In 2004, Mr. Bradley was honored by the Texas Hospital Association as a recipient of the Earl M. Collier Award for distinguished health care administrators. He is a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives and is involved in leadership at numerous community and health care organizations. Mr. Bradley holds a bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering from Texas Tech University. He also holds a Master of Business Administration and Master of Health Care Administration from Trinity University. In 2009, Mr. Bradley was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Holy Family University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Bradley's final contribution to Northeast Texas and the health of its residents has been the joining together with **CHRISTUS Health** and the formation of CHRISTUS Trinity Mother Frances Health System in May of 2016. On June 30, 2017, after more than 50 years, Bradley will leave behind a humbling record of service and generosity to the world of health care and the people he served. Bradley dedicated his entire career to serving others, by leading organizations down sometimes difficult paths and emerging in a better tomorrow. Bradley did not merely see the future of health care in Northeast Texas, he shaped it.

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Quitman Public Library continues to have activities each Thursday afternoon for local area youth. It was "Build a Better Widget" day last week when this photo was taken. (Monitor photo by Larry Tucker)

## Quitman Library activities continue this summer

Quitman Public Library has three more big Thursday afternoon activities in their Summer Reading 2017 "Build a Better World" program. The exciting activities are from 2 to 4 p.m. each Thursday.

Coming up June 15 is "Thing-a-ma-jig at the Park," when participants will "build a better thing-a-ma-jig" at the small pavilion at Jim Hogg City Park with the help of teen volunteers from Glowing Hearts. The giant "thing" will be later displayed at the library.

There will be a day with Brain Searcy at the library June 22. This

program is open to all ages, children through adult. Searcy is a retired Air Force colonel with 24 years of experience in building leaders and dev eloping life skills necessary to be honorable as military members and citizens alike. He is the CEO of Main Street Pilot.

The program is entitled "The Puzzle of Better - Right Made Simple" and it is a new combination of ideas and examples of how to make "right" user-friendly for both young readers and parents. These developmental concepts are in use by individuals, business

professionals, athletes, police departments, administrators, school districts and civic organizations.

The final scheduled event will be June 30. It will be a pool party at Coach Delbert Ballard Memorial City Pool at Dawson Park from 2 to 4 p.m. If it is raining the Friends of the Library will host a popcorn and movie at the library. Prizes will be awarded for books read this summer.

For information on any of the programs contact Lillian Gray, youth services director at Quitman Public Library at 903-763-4191.

## David Cook is new pastor at Myrtle Springs BC

Myrtle Springs Baptist Church, west of Quitman on Farm-to-Market 2225, has welcomed David Cook as its new pastor.

Cook was licensed to the ministry in 1980 by first Baptist Church, Trenton, and ordained in 1982 by Calvary Baptist Church of Sulphur

He has served as a pastor in Colorado and Texas since 1989. He is a graduate of East Texas State University, Commerce, with a bachelors of music education degree.

He is married to his wife, Sara, and they have a daughter, Mitzi.



New Myrtle Springs Baptist Church Pastor David Cook is pictured here with his wife Mitzi (left) and daughter Sara (middle).

## Rally

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what Boy Scouting is all about and how being a part of SAF can help you get involved and make a difference in a young person's life," Castloo explained. "You have the opportunity to give back and give a kid a chance to have a good East Texas way of growing up showing reverence for God and country with a special respect for nature too."

Scouting Alumni supports Boy Scouts of America and is a program which engages current and former scouts, their families, volunteers and millions of Americans who benefit from scouting in their communities. The organization allows alumni to continue to stay in touch with scouting programs, hear positive stories about its impact on the community, and learn the latest methods provided by scouting to transform the lives of young people through the tenets of leadership, character development, citizenship and physical fitness.

Anyone can be a member of Scouting Alumni. The organization defines scouting and alumni friends as anyone positively and personally impacted by Boy Scouts. This definition includes former youth members of scouting, family members of scouts past and present, community leaders and millions of Americans who benefit from scouting in their communities every day.

More than 50 million men and women have actively participated in BSA programs since 1910. Millions more have been positively impacted, directly and indirectly, through the involvement of their family, friends and neighbors.

In a time when America needs young men and women who embody scouting's timeless values more than ever, the BSA is determined that an alumni association would further perpetuate these values, continue to engage those who have benefitted from scouting in America, spread the positive story of scouting and continue to assist scouting alumni in their vocational and other pursuits.

Being a member of SAF reconnects and rekindles the flame of scouting. By becoming an affiliate of SAF, members are among the first to learn about updates and enhancements to BSA programs, find new opportunities to support BSA through their commitment of time, expertise or financial resources and enjoy the tangible benefits of affiliation.

Lee Smith is an Eagle Scout, a member of SAF and of the My Honor program in Wood County. "My Honor is directing its attention to the promotion of SAF in Wood County. Many of our members are members of SAF," Smith said. "We recognize that the SAF program has an effective structure to expand scouting and promote honor."

SAF has two levels of membership, the Hiker level which is free, and the Pathfinder, which is \$35 annually. Pathfinders receive an affiliation card, window cling, luggage tag, lapel pin, subscriptions to the electronic newsletter *Alumni Live*, and the print edition of Scouting magazine, a one-year membership to the National Scouting

Museum, a one-time 10 percent discount on purchases made online and discounts from major national retailers.

My Honor board member Jim Buerger feels the SAF will be important in promoting scouting in Wood County. "The alumni association will be far more responsive once it is developed to enable more boys and more men involved in scouting in Wood County," Buerger commented. "We would like to get a strong Wood County chapter established. The great thing about SAF is that anyone can be an active member. The SAF and My Honor program beliefs are aligned with the things we are trying to promote such as positive adult role models, honor and integrity."



Pilot Club President Diane Holmes drew the names of Elizabeth Rodriguez and Eli Craver from all the second graders at Mineola Primary School to each receive a new bicycle during the annual Bicycle Rodeo. The Pilot Club also gives each second grader a new helmet and teaches, along with MHS Anchors, safety rules and how to protect their heads from brain injuries.

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## Obituaries

### LISA REED DOMINGUEZ 1957-2017

QUITMAN-Memorial services for Lisa Dominguez, 59, Quitman are scheduled for Saturday, June 24 at 2 p.m. at the Quitman Public Library.



Mrs. Dominguez died June 7, 2017, in Quitman. She was born November 1, 1958, in Dallas to Keith and Peggy Reed. She was a retired LVN, a member of the Friends of the Library and the Red Hat Society.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include her daughter, Lillian Gray, Quitman; son, David Stone, Coppell; three grandchildren; five brothers and sisters.

The family has requested that any flowers be sent to the Quitman Public Library.

### RODNEY ELSE JACKSON 1972-2017

MINEOLA-Funeral services for Rodney Jackson, 44, Quitman were held June 9, 2017, at First United

Methodist Church in Mineola with Rev. Clara Love officiating.

Mr. Jackson was born August 22, 1972 to Minnie Else McGee and Rufus Clayton Jackson. He grew up in Quitman and graduated in 1991 from Quitman High School. He was active in all sports programs and was a member of the Tyler Street Sweepers.

He was preceded in death by his grandmothers, Mollie Thompson and Minnie Ola Spencer.

Survivors include three children, Jaiden Shipley, Keaton Jackson and Madisyn Jackson, all of Tyler; mother, Minnie McGee, Quitman; father, Rufus Jackson, Tyler; three sisters, Paula Jones, Henderson, Latresha Else, Flint and Devin Else, Houston; five brothers, Ricky Else, Flint, Darryl Else, Houston, Paul Else, Oklahoma, Rendell and Randy Jackson of Tyler.



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### MARVIN RAY WILLIAMS 1953 - 2017



Marvin Ray Williams, 63, of Mineola passed away on Saturday, June 3, 2017, in Dallas, TX. He was born on Monday, October 19, 1953, to the late Malbry and Emma Williams. He is preceded in death by brother, Jerry Don Williams; sister, Cathrine Lumpkins; grandson, Zachary Williams.

He is survived by his wife of thirty-four years, Frances Williams; three sons, Tommy Ray Williams and wife Nettie McCorkle of Wills Point, TX, Donald Williams of Iowa Park, TX, Rickey Wayne Williams of Mineola, TX; three brothers, Malbry Williams and wife Pat of Mesquite, TX, Bennie Williams and wife Martha of Alba/Golden, TX, Ronald Gene Williams and wife Nelda of Quitman, TX; four sisters, Jean Caves and husband Harold of Mineola, TX, Birdie Orrick and husband Charles of Mineola, TX, Stella Harris and husband Willie of Mineola, TX, Darlene Ventura and husband Thomas of Hawkins, TX; three grandchildren, Christian Ray Williams, Alexis Ann Williams, Skyla Williams; numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral Service was Friday, June 9, 2017 at 1:00 PM at Beaty Funeral Home, Mineola with Bro. Fred Morrow officiating.

## Fund

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uate. She is the daughter of Michelle Dudley, the former high school counselor and new testing coordinator and middle school counselor. In addition to Booker, they are the parents of Tristan, a primary school student, and baby Kail.

Dad Jason was willing to talk about the incident in hopes of helping prevent it from ever happening to someone else. This was the second summer in a row that a little tyke had been injured in a lawn mower accident in this area, but Jason said he previously wasn't aware of that first accident. Since then, that family has reached out to his family and has been supportive of them.

Jason said on Memorial Day he let Booker outside to play while he was mowing. "Nothing I hadn't done before." He said he was mowing with his zero turn mower ("a very, very powerful mower") and Booker was standing on the porch giving him a thumbs up as he went past. In the blink of an eye Booker got behind the mower as his dad prepared for another swipe

and, "it happened." They couldn't hear each other over the mower, and his dad wasn't aware of the boy being behind him until he heard something grinding. He knew there shouldn't have been anything in that area and as he looked down he saw it was his little boy's foot.

"It happened that fast," he said.

Jason cut off the blades as fast as he could and ripped off his shirt wrapping it around Booker to try to stop the bleeding. He called 911 to get help, because "he was losing a lot of blood and it was life threatening." The fire department called in a emergency helicopter that landed at the civic center and Booker was flown to Children's Hospital in Dallas.

He remained there for two days, and was then transferred to Scottish Rite Texas where he remained for a week and a day. As of Monday, when he had a followup appointment and a "day" surgery, little Booker had undergone four surgeries.

The doctor report Monday, according to dad, was "He's doing good, as can be expected. He lost a foot and a toe, but he's alive and was able to avoid an infection." He

said the three year old is adjusting well to his circumstance. "He's doing great," he said. "He was asking, where did it go? Where did my foot go? But we told him he's got a new foot coming, he doesn't need that one anymore."

"He's so tough. So resilient. It's amazing," said his father. He said he, himself, was battling depression during the hospital stay, but the family getting to come home and be together again meant a lot to him. By Monday, he allowed, "I'm at peace, now."

Jason has worked with the railroad for the past six years and it's obvious he loves being a father. Kristen is a stay-at-home mom and oftentimes, Jason's two nephews also visit them to make a nice group of five boys. The many doctors' appointments have caused him to miss work - there was to be another one later this week for the fitting of a prosthetic and he didn't want Kristen to have to go to it without him. He said that his employer has been "awesome. They have been excellent with me."

As far as sharing the story, Jason feels compelled to share what happened to warn other well-mean-

ing families. As he looks back, "the only thing" he believes, is not to let little children be around mowers, "not even riding on one. They're not scared, even when they need to be. The next thing you know, you're in this situation. When you let them ride it creates that absence of fear. And there should be fear."

For anyone wanting to help the family financially, an account has been established at Mineola Community Bank for Booker Jones and the expenses the family has accrued due to missed work. The bank's main location is at 215 West Broad Street, Mineola, Texas, 75773. There is also a branch at the Brookshire's store in Mineola as well as offices in Winnboro and Grand Saline, where donations can also be made. Jason said while the family is not asking for any money, if anyone wants to donate to help, it will be appreciated.

## Ag news

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stars consume 85% of the total foliage consumed.

Armyworms should be controlled when they occur in large numbers of plant damage is becoming excessive. Preventive treatments normally are not justified because attacks are sporadic and egg mortality is usually high. During favorable seasons, a number of parasitic enemies keep fall armyworm larvae down to moderate numbers. Early

detection works best and is achieved by frequent, thorough inspection of plants. Outbreaks seem to occur shortly after a rain or supplemental irrigation. Armyworms feed any time of the day or night, but are most active early in the morning or late in the evening. Susceptible fields or lawns should be scouted by counting the number of armyworms in a square foot area in eight different sites. Divide the total worm count by eight to find the average number of armyworms per square foot. Be sure to take sam-

ples in the interior of the field because this pest is often heaviest near the field margins. Sometimes only the field margins require treatment.

The threshold level ranges from two to three larvae per square foot for young tender growth. For older plants, three to four larvae and obvious foliage loss justify control measures. Thresholds in improved pastures and lawns vary with condition but treatment should be considered when counts average three or more small worms per square foot.

## JOHNNY EDWARD CATES



Johnny Edward Cates was a man that represented home and comfort to many people. He loved pulling people in, to engage with them, and simply to share life. He loved his family, his Aggies, and agriculture, but most of all he loved His Lord. Johnny went home June 10, 2017 and he is now walking with his Abba Father talking about and basking in the glory and sovereignty of our amazing God. The visitation for Johnny was Sunday, June 11, 2017 at Lowe's Funeral Home in Quitman, Texas. The service was held at the First Baptist Church in Quitman, Texas on Monday

June 12, 2017 with burial at the Grice Cemetery afterwards.

Johnny came from humble beginnings in Gilmer, Texas where he met the love of his life, Bonnie Jean Williams Cates. They dated all through high school and married in 1955. Their first child, Steve, was born in 1957, then later Scott (1958), Amanda (1961), and Laura Lee (1963). Johnny loved Bonnie with a sacrificial love, just as Jesus loved the world so much He died to take away our sins. As he and Bonnie walked hand in hand, Johnny showed his family what it meant to follow hard after the Lord, no matter the cost. Psalm 127 says children "are like arrows in the hands of a warrior" and "blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them." Well, Johnny was surely blessed, and he knew he was. He delighted in his children and took pride in the gifts of his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

After graduating high school, Johnny went on to study Poultry Science at Texas A&M University. While attending Texas A&M he was in the Corps of Cadets, which taught him the importance of serving his community and country. Johnny was proud to be an Aggie. He always wore his Aggie Ring and exuded the Aggie Spirit of loyalty and to always fight for your God, family, and country. One way in which he lived out the Aggie Spirit was by serving in the National Guard from 1959-1984; he even worked his way up to Colonel.

Johnny found his life's calling as a county extension agent, where he served for 31 years, 23 of which were in Wood County. Having a background in farming and poultry science, Johnny fit perfectly in this role. Driving along county roads and gazing on God's creation, was something in which he took great joy. Discussing new methods in which to see his county grow and progress agriculturally, and in a way that would lead to the betterment of future generations, was his passion. He witnessed a lot of change, and loved every minute of it. Even after retiring, agriculture was never far from his heart or mind, and he always found a way to help others in need.

Johnny led his family well and is now joined with his parents, WB and Ellen Florence Cates, brother Charles, and his son Scott. As he entered those pearly gates, we know there was a big Welcome Home celebration, and that he heard the words, "Well done my good and faithful servant." Johnny is survived by his wife of 62 years, Bonnie Jean Williams Cates, son Steve and wife LaNelle of Quitman, daughter Amanda and husband Tom Curtis of Rayne, La, and daughter Laura Lee and husband Kent Weems of Quitman. He was blessed with 10 grandchildren Cara and husband Brad Gibson, Candi and husband Corey Haisten, Lauren and husband Clay Hightower, J.T and wife Casey Curtis, Logan Curtis, Christi and husband Grant Domangue, Kevin and wife Leah Weems, Carl and wife Courtney Curtis, Lindsey Weems, and Scott Curtis. His legacy continues in his 10 great grandchildren Conner and Braxten Gibson, Cady and Cole Haisten, Jack, Dane, and Wes Curtis, Lucas, Isaac and Abigail Hightower, sister Sara Jean Lancaster, and nieces Pam Cates and Susan Lancaster. He is also survived by his special group of furry family including Daisy, Max, Bobbie-Belle, Maggie, and Fred. In his passing, Johnny left his family with the charge to love people well and serve the Lord always, of which we will do so with passion and boldness he so well displayed.

The family would like to thank the nurses, Brother David, Russell, and Lindsey of Heart to Heart, who wonderfully cared for our beloved every day and walked with us through this time. We are especially thankful for two wonderful ladies who sat and cared for Daddy - Jeannette Ussery and Laura Swaner and the love they showed him every moment they were with him.

### Joyce Stewart

### 1931 - 2017

Services for Mrs. Joyce Stewart, 86, of Grand Saline, were held Tuesday, June 6, 2017, at Bartley Funeral Home with Bro. Mark Winskie officiating. Interment was in Haven of Memories, Canton.

Mrs. Stewart passed away June 3, 2017, in Grand Saline. She was born April 17, 1931, in Martins Mill to W.C. & Justine Palmer Douglas. She grew up in Van where she graduated from Van High School in 1949. She married Floyd Stewart in 1951 and moved to Grand Saline. She worked as a teacher's aide for GSISD and was a member of the First United Methodist Church. She was a 1953 Charter member of the Grand Saline Athena Club and received her lifelong membership award in 2010. She was a Cub Scout den mother and was active in all of her children's activities. Joyce was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Floyd T. Stewart; and brothers, Danny Gene Douglas and Jimmy Douglas. Survivors include her son, Tommy Stewart and Debra Wilborn of Grand Saline; daughter, Vicki Savage and husband Kirby of Mineola; brother, Coker Douglas of Wiley; sister, Susan Bivens and husband Fred of Wiley; three grandchildren, Angie Allen, Lindsay Reeves and Courtenay Gunnels; four great-grandchildren, Reid Allen, Ty Gunnels, Gage Gunnels and Campbell Reeves; and numerous other relatives and friends.

*Memorials may be made to the Grand Saline Athena Club Scholarship Fund.*

# Bulbs for summer blooms

I love bulbs of all kinds, and have them planted throughout my gardens. The bulb is an underground storage structure that allows the plant to survive through drought as well as winter. Bulbs include the true bulbs (such as lilies and crinum), corms (gladiolus and elephant ears), rhizomes (cannas and ginger), and tubers (caladiums).

## In East Texas Gardens

By Lin Grado

Bulbs are among the easiest plants to grow, and provide weeks of color at a time, with little to no fuss. Basically I'm a forgetful gardener, and bulbs are so much more forgiving than other plants. I forget to plant after I buy; while perennials die, bulbs just wait. I forget to water after I've planted; perennials wither but bulbs just wait. My favorite bulbs that bloom during late spring or summer include crinum, true lilies, and cannas. Many of these can be found in old cemeteries, which is a testament to their hardiness.

No Southern garden should be without at least one crinum, also called milk and wine lily. The blooms of milk and wine lilies are white with reddish stripes, while other crinums have blooms of pure white

to dark pink. Many crinum blooms are highly fragrant. There are varieties that bloom as early as March in east Texas, and some that will bloom all summer. There are crinums with dark red leaves, dwarf crinums, and crinum that grow in water. These versatile bulbs have only one problem: they're not readily available at garden centers. Ask a friend for a start from their clump, or buy them online from the Southern Bulb Company, a local grower.

Just as there are crinums for every garden, there are lilies for any garden. The best true lilies for east Texas are Asiatic lilies, the Easter lily (*Lilium longiflorum*), and the hybrid of the two called LA hybrids. I generally order my lily bulbs online for the largest bulbs at the best prices, and my favorite source is Brent and Becky's bulbs. I have several LA hybrids, and in my part-sun garden they get about four feet tall and have dozens of blooms. Plant your lily bulbs deep to keep them from toppling over when in bloom, or put a support such as a tomato cage around them before they get too large. Colors range from white to dark rose, with some creamy apricot bulbs also available.

Cannas are a good 'beginner' plant for a new garden – they'll grow and bloom all summer in even the poorest soils. They have large, tropical-looking leaves of light green,



Milk and wine lilies are fragrant as well as beautiful. (Monitor photos by Lin Grado)

dark red, or even stripes. The flowers are bright yellow, orange, or red, or combinations of these; some are even the palest cream. The only color that eludes the canna enthusiast is a pure white. Some cannas have smaller blooms that are inviting to hummingbirds, while others are big and garish. I love them all – they're easy to grow in a bed, along a fence, or even in a container. Many cannas also perform well in a shadier location.

When you buy bulbs, choose the best, biggest bulbs available – big bulbs mean big blooms. Select only firm, heavy, solid bulbs with no soft spots, shriveling, or mold. Some older bulbs on clearance might be worth a try, but don't expect a big show the first year – instead let them 'recuperate' through their first year by encouraging foliage and removing buds.

Plant your summer-blooming bulbs in full to part sun, with some afternoon shade to provide a break from the hottest sun. Bulbs will thrive in well-draining, compost-enriched soil, with a bulb fertilizer (high in phosphorus) dug in at planting. Be sure to plant your bulbs 'nose-up'; if you can't determine the top, then plant the bulb on its side. A top-dressing of compost and mulch each year is all they'll need. (An exception to this is iris – they will stop blooming if the

rhizome is covered too deeply, so don't bury with mulch.) Supplemental water will keep bulb foliage green and lush; if crinum foliage looks ratty, you can cut it back and it will sprout fresh new leaves.

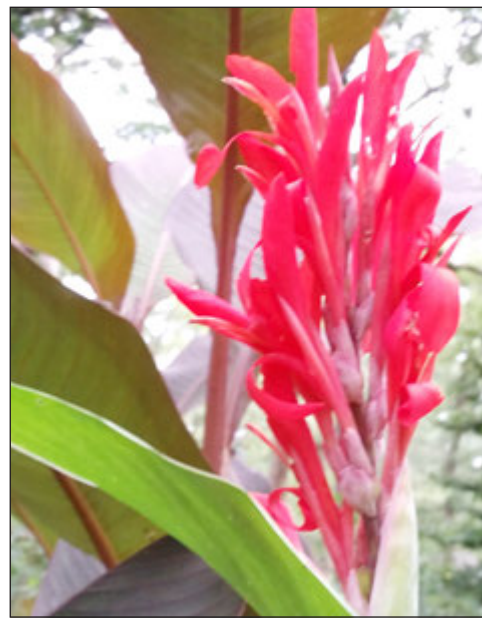
There are no pest-proof bulbs, but some, especially those in the amaryllis family such as crinum, are considered 'resistant' to pests. Squirrels and rabbits love to munch on lilies as they're sprouting; protect with a wire barrier till the plants grow a bit. Blood meal or sulfur will also help repel some of these pests. Cannas can be attacked by leaf rollers, caterpillars that prevent the leaves from opening. The easiest way to deal with leaf rollers is to cut off and destroy affected leaves, then spray the plant with an insecticide containing Bt (*Bacillus thuringiensis*). In the fall, be sure to cut back and remove the dead foliage from all cannas.

If you'd like a list of bulbs that do well in east Texas, send an email to [txgardengal@gmail.com](mailto:txgardengal@gmail.com). I'm sure there are some that will find a spot in your east Texas garden.

About the author: Lin is a Texas Master Gardener in Wood County. Email gardening questions to her at [txgardengal@gmail.com](mailto:txgardengal@gmail.com). Join her and other volunteers each Wednesday morning at 9, at the Quitman Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.



LA Hybrid lily 'Royal Sunset' blooms for weeks. RIGHT: Red blooms of canna invite hummingbirds to your garden



## Area artists contribute to "Save the Bees" hive painting contest

Ten area artists have outdone themselves this year with their entries in the bee hive painting contest for the "Save the Bees" event. The painted hives will be on display Saturday morning from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Winnsboro Farmers' Market in downtown Winnsboro. Prior to Saturday, the hives will be on display at the Winnsboro Center for the Arts.

Patrons of the Market will be able to vote for their favorite hive until 10 a.m. and winners will be announced at 11 a.m. If you'd like to take one of these works of art home for your bees, your garden or as a great end table, the hives are part of a silent auction that ends at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday. Proceeds benefit the efforts of the Wood County Beekeepers' Association to educate local beekeepers and raise awareness about honey bees.

If you'd like to learn more about bees and how you can help protect them, members of the Wood County Beekeepers' Association will be on hand at the Farmers' Market to talk "bees." They will have live bees in an observation hive, children's activities, free seeds and information on honey bees and beekeeping. At 12 p.m. the beekeepers will present a honey extraction demonstration at the Winnsboro Depot meeting room. If you've ever wondered how that great tasting honey gets from the hive to the jar, this is your chance to see firsthand.

Honey bees directly pollinate a third of all the food we eat and their value to U.S. agriculture is more than \$14 billion annually. The problem is that beekeepers are losing 35 to 50 percent of their



These are the hives which have been entered in the bee hive painting contest and they are currently on display at the Winnsboro Center for the Arts. (Courtesy photo)

hives every year due to pesticide use, lack of forage, imported mites and an ever-changing climate. You don't have to be a beekeeper to help "Save the Bees." Visit the Winnsboro Farmers' Market and

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## Fishing Hall of Fame inductees recognized

On June 3 in Athens the Texas Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame and Toyota ShareLunker Awards banquet inducted 2017 honorees Bobby Whiteside and Gulf States Toyota. Also recognized was this year's ShareLunker donating anglers at the Freshwater Fisheries Center.

The Texas Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame's mission is to honor and recognize people who have made a lasting contributing to freshwater fishing in Texas.

Whiteside was the first educator to be inducted into the hall of fame. Whiteside was a professor at Texas State University for 33 years and directed the aquatic biology program for 18 years. Whiteside co-wrote the book "Freshwater Fishes in Texas," in addition to penning 26 peer-reviewed publications, nine reports and book reviews.

"As a fisheries biologist, educator and avid fisherman, Whiteside's lifelong body of work dedicated to learning, teaching and understanding our freshwater ecosystem is unmatched," said Dan Kessler, chairman of the Texas Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame Committee.

Gulf States Toyota was nominated into the industry or organization category. Gulf States has provided more than \$2.5 million in funding to Texas Parks & Wildlife Department Inland Fisheries programs over the last 10 years to promote bass fishing and increase the participation of youth and families in freshwater fishing.

The contribution includes the Toyota Bassmaster Texas Fest formerly the Texas Bass Classic, which is a professional bass fishing tournament. The tournament emphasizes the best practices in fishing conservation and benefits the Parks & Wildlife Department's outreach programs, including the Neighborhood Fishin' program. The Neighborhood Fishin' program stocks catchable size fish in 18 community park ponds in 11 urban locations.

The State Fish Art Con-  
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J.C. Brisendine and Layton Brown, both members of the Quitman High School fishing team, placed third in the Fishing League Worldwide Tournament at Lake of the Pines in April qualifying for the FLW National Tournament. The national tournament will be held at Pickwick Lake in Florence, Alabama June 27 - July 1. (Courtesy photo)

## SKEETER OWNERS TOURNAMENT



Skeeter Tournament winner David Laine (left) from Horseshoe Bay is pictured here with his winning trophy. Over 2,300 fishermen were on the lake this past weekend for the annual event.

## Laine wins Lake Fork tourney with 9.35 lb. bass

A record 2,300 fishermen took to the waters of Lake Fork over the weekend for the annual Skeeter Owners Tournament.

David Laine of Horseshoe Bay took home first place honors with a 9.35 pound bass. For his efforts, Laine won an FX 20 Skeeter 250 Yamaha SHO, Lowrance, Power Pole.

Marty Thomas of Milsap had the largest bass under slot at 2.80 and won a Yamaha Side by Side. Landon Markham of Emory had the third largest bass at 8.92 pounds and won \$700 for largest bass in hourly competition.

## TP&W seeking input on red snapper season

Texas Parks & Wildlife Department is seeking input regarding the possibility of extending the federal recreational red snapper season, but the federally permitted for-hire charter boat and commercial sectors will not be impacted.

After a disappointing three-day federal fishing season for private recreational anglers, recent discussions have developed between the five Gulf states and the United States Department of Commerce to extend

the federal recreational angler red snapper season this summer. TP&W is seeking the public's input on the different options being proposed to extend the season.

The options being considered would allow recreational anglers to fish for red snapper in federal and state waters on weekends only beginning the third weekend in June through Labor Day. However, with

See SNAPPER, Page 3B

## Mineola Country Club SENIOR GOLF REPORT

Results for the Mineola Country Club weekly Senior Golf Scramble Tournament on Thursday were first place, Allen Brock, Donnie Drake, Ken Norlie and Jim Albritton with 12 under par for a 59. The winner was decided by a putt-off.

Second place went to Bill Lochow, David Cartwright, Larry Leach and Noel Bethea with 12 under par for a 59.

Closest to pin No. 5 was Joe Parish, closest to No. 9 Jimmy Baughman and closest to No.18 Mike Casselman.

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Thomas V. Wheeler, Jr., Deceased, were issued on June 5, 2017, in Cause No. 13,120, pending in the County Court of WOOD County, Texas, to: Sandra Dickerson. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. c/o: Sandra Dickerson 500 RS CR 2370 Alba, Texas 75410 DATED the 7th day of June, 2017. Bradley S. Campbell Attorney for Sandra Dickerson State Bar No.: 03694040 228 W. Broad Street Mineola, TX 75773 Telephone: (903) 569-0000 Facsimile: (903) 569-1122 E-mail: bsc@clfpc.com

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Independent Administration for the Estate of Cary Ronald Bargas, Deceased, were issued on June 5, 2017, in Cause No. 13,124, pending in the County Court of Wood County, Texas, to: Mary Katherine Brown Bargas. All persons having claims against this Estate which is

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# Snapper

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increased fishing days this summer in federal waters each Gulf state would be required to have closures in state waters during the weekdays this summer and possibly into the fall.

Currently, Texas allows recreational anglers to fish for red snapper year around in state water.

Three public meetings were held Monday in La Marque, Corpus Christi and Port Isabel and a webinar was scheduled Tuesday, after Monitor presstime.

For more information and to provide public comment online, visit the TPWD

public comment portal.

A FAQ regarding this issue is also available online.

# Hall of Fame

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test is also an outreach program for the TP&W, the contest uses art to interest youth in grades kindergarten to 12<sup>th</sup> grade in fishing.

Gulf States Toyota provides significant funding to support the

Toyota ShareLunker Program, which encourages anglers who have caught a 13-pound-plus largemouth bass to lend the fish to the TP&W for spawning purposes.

Ronnie Arnold was recognized at the banquet as the Toyota ShareLunker Angler of the Year. Arnold caught the biggest ShareLunker of the year weighing at 15.70 pounds at Caddo Lake on

March 10, the catch being the second ShareLunker entered in his career. In addition to being Angler of the Year, Arnold received a lifetime fishing license and a prize package.

Other anglers who caught ShareLunkers in 2017 are Ryder Wicker of Fort Worth, John Vineyard of Lubbock, Larry Mosby of Garri-son and Kurt Luker of Cleveland.

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**BLOCK PARTY**



ABOVE: Topaingo Martinez had fun petting the pig during the block party Friday evening at Faith Baptist Church in Quitman. She was there with her Aunt Brooke and Uncle Jacob Davis.

ABOVE LEFT: Quitman High School volleyball Coach Ashlee Lingo shows off her softball throwing form at the dunking booth during the block party.

LEFT: Faith Baptist Church of Quitman Pastor Mike Midkiff (center) presents checks at Friday night's block party. Receiving checks were, from left, Quitman High School Principal Dana Hamrick, Quitman Fire Department Assistant Chief Ronnie Box, QFD Chief Scott Wheeler, Midkiff, Quitman Elementary School Principal Mary Ann Nichols and former Quitman Junior High Principal Angie Brown, now QISD assistant superintendent.

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Elizabeth Turner and Ashton Midkiff were busy spinning cotton candy to give away at the block party.

RIGHT: Quitman Junior High Assistant Principal Chrystal Ballard is pointing out to her daughter Scarlet what she needs to do to dunk someone at the dunking booth at the end of school block party Friday night held on the parking lot of Faith Baptist on Hart Street.



BELOW: Dr. Rick Martinez is sent flying into the water in the dunking booth at Friday night's block party at Faith Baptist Church.

