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## More Motions Filed, Hearings Set in the Ongoing Legal Battle Between Two Cities

Another round of motions has been filed in the lawsuit brought by the City of Teague against the City of Fairfield.

With their next hearing set for Thursday, March 28, 2019, Judge Simmons declined to sign off on Teague's March 21st request for a hearing requesting a temporary restraining order against Fairfield, seeking to prevent Fairfield's City Council from conducting a special called meeting later that evening.

In court documents, Teague alleged that Fairfield would violate the Texas Open

Meetings Act (TOMA) by attempting to ratify prior actions from illegal meetings dating back to April 12, 2016, asserting authority they say Fairfield does not have.

Subsequently, the special called meeting of the Fairfield City Council proceeded as planned. Read our coverage of that meeting on PAGE.

Judge Simmons also declined to sign an order granting review of Fairfield's closed executive sessions for specified dates ranging from 2012 through 2019.

Teague's motion for court review, filed March 20th,

seeking to gain access to recording tapes, certified agendas, and documents from forty-nine of Fairfield Council's closed executive sessions.

That motion will be heard at the cities' next hearing Thursday, March 28th at 1:30 p.m.

Following their February 28th hearing, both parties submitted their respective responses, and corresponding exhibits, for Judge Simmons to review.

On March 15th, Fairfield filed a motion for partial summary judgment, with

respect to all TOMA violations claims against them prior to September 18, 2015.

Summary judgment refers to a pre-trial remedy that can be granted to resolve disputes involving legal interpretation when no significant facts are being contested.

Filing for a partial summary judgment, Fairfield requests that the court decide the TOMA violation claims alleged in Teague's suit. Furthermore, Fairfield filed a motion March 4th to sever these claims from further proceedings.

Fairfield's motion for

partial summary judgment and severance of the TOMA claims will also be heard at the March 28th hearing.

On Friday, March 22nd, Teague filed a motion for mediation, citing that this case involves disputes between the two cities and involves matters of great significance and political sensitivity.

Now, holding out reasonable expectation that the disputes may be resolved by the use of mediation, Teague now requests that the court refer the

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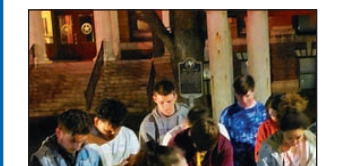
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**Candidate Forum**  
March 28th - 6 p.m.  
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Forum for Fairfield Candidates

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## Fairfield Addresses Allegations Special Called Meeting Reviews Council Actions

In the interest of assuring full transparency and compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act (TOMA), and due to the City of Teague asserting that the City of Fairfield has violated TOMA with respect to prior Council actions, Fairfield Council held a special called meeting on Thursday, March 21st to address these issues.

Each of the items in question was presented with the background and staff recommendation as to whether Council should ratify, modify, or void the initial action, or if there

should be no action taken.

Public comment was welcome on each item; however, Council was unable to respond. Allyse Long, a Fairfield resident, who is also an employee of the City of Teague, questioned each item, citing insufficient details and lack of transparency by the City of Fairfield.

**Items that were reapproved (ratified) are as follows:**

--Approve proceeding with Project Water #3 and give the Mayor the authority to proceed with all necessary documents and filings to conclude and close the

transaction as considered at the April 12, 2016 Council Meeting.

--Approve raising Fairfield's TMRS deposit rate to 7% pending all necessary paperwork as considered at the June 14, 2016 Council Meeting.

--Approve Fairfield Industrial Development Corporation expansion plans as considered at the September 27, 2016 Council Meeting.

--Approve variance of property line on Hughes

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## Preparations Begin for Vehicle Fleet Program Teague Council Weighs Options for Police & Public Works

Teague administrators prepare to implement a purchasing program to replace its aged fleet of police vehicles at the Monday, March 18, 2019 Council Meeting.

With more than \$7,000 spent on maintenance just this year, Chief of Police DeWayne Philpott and City Administrator/Secretary, Theresa Prasil, urged the Council to adopt a fleet management program during the next budget cycle to utilize these funds in a more constructive way.

In the last three years, the City

has spent \$33,232 on critical repairs for police vehicles, like rebuilt transmissions, front end adjustments, and mechanical issues.

Under this program, the City would finance new police vehicles and replace them every three years. Prasil and Chief Philpott explained their plan to include approximately \$35,000 in the 2019-2020 budget to finance a steadfast fleet of patrol vehicles, and asked for the Council's support and recommendations.

The Police Department's current fleet is more than a decade old, and almost all vehicles are in need of constant repair, including the newest 2016 Ford Explorers. Of the department's fleet, one vehicle has been decommissioned and one is no longer suitable for patrol leaving five vehicles ages eight to three years old.

Prasil told the Council that with the fleet management program in mind, City staff plan to begin next year's budget preparations as early as January 2020 for both the Police Department and Public Works.

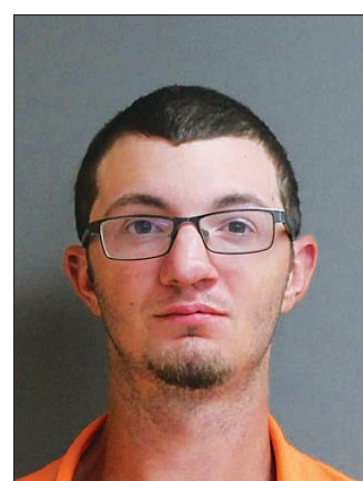
"We need to get this issue under control," urged Prasil, "or the City will continue spending the money on repairs."

Chief Philpott and Prasil requested that the Council allow for a sealed bidding process to assess the cost and availability of the department's recommended vehicle, the Chevrolet Tahoe. The pair explained that in

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## Wanted: by Freestone County Sheriff's Office



**Johnathan Goleman**

An active Felony Warrant for Theft of Cattle is currently out for Johnathan Goleman.

On March 21, 2019, Freestone County Sheriff's Deputies took a report of stolen cattle. After a joint investigation with Texas Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association's Special Ranger Jimmy Dickson, a suspect has been identified after the stolen cattle were sold in Longview, Texas.

An active warrant is currently out for Johnathan Goleman for Theft of Cattle/Horse/Exotic Livestock <\$150,000 a 3rd Degree Felony.

If anyone has any knowledge of Mr. Goleman, or his whereabouts, please call the Sheriff's Office at 903-389-3236.

*Suspects are innocent until proven guilty in the court of law.*



## Teague Candidates Meet Voters

Unity and cooperation seemed to be the shared goal of seven candidates for Teague's City Council represented at Freestone County Times' second annual Candidate Forum at the

Teague Community Center Thursday, March 21, 2019.

The candidates took the opportunity to share their visions for the future; weighing in on the challenges facing Teague's infrastructure,

budgeting, and economic development.

**Ryan Mathison, candidate for Alderman Place 5,** is a graduate of Teague High School and a veteran of the United States Marine

Corp. After four years, and deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan, Mathison attended college at Tarleton

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## OBITUARIES



**Charlene Figgins**

Funeral services for Charlene Figgins, 69, will be held on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at Bowers Funeral Home in Teague. Interment will follow at Union Cemetery.

Visitation will be held on Friday, March 22, 2019, with the family present, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Ms. Figgins passed away on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 in Groesbeck after a lengthy battle with Alzheimer's.

Charlene was born on August 8, 1949 in Houston, Texas to Robert & Merle Cobbs. She grew up in Houston and graduated from N. B. Smiley High School. Ms. Figgins later moved to Teague where she raised her three children. She worked for the Freestone County Tax Office from 1981 until she retired in 2003. Charlene loved flowers and grew many beautiful ones in her garden.

She is survived by three children, Dewyane Casteel & Amber Hebert of Youngsville, LA, Hope Casteel Brewer & husband Ronnie Brewer, II of Fairfield, and Robert Casteel & wife Jennifer of Springtown; eight grandchildren, Kelsey Casteel, Kamryn Casteel, Ronnie (Trey) Brewer, III, Kaytlyn Brewer, Emilee Brewer, Kaylie Casteel, Robert John Casteel, Caden Casteel; her mother, Merle Cobbs of Teague; two sisters, Cathy Cobbs, and Barbara Cobbs, both of Teague; and nephew, T. J. Taylor of Teague.

Ms. Figgins was preceded in death by her husband, John Ralph Figgins; and her father, Robert Cobbs.

The family requests memorials be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America, 322 Eighth Ave, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10001 or online at www.alzfdh.org.

Please visit our website at www.bowersfuneralhome.net to sign the memorial guestbook or to leave a message for the family.



**Billie Jean Carter**

Billie Jean Carter, 65 of Fairfield, Texas passed from this life on Monday evening, March 18, 2019 with family members by her side.

She was born July 19, 1953 in Austin, Texas to Marvin and Margaret Pirtle.

Billie enjoyed riding horses and was a member of the Streetman Riding Club. She also enjoyed fishing, sitting around bonfires and riding motorcycles. She loved growing roses.

Billie treasured her grandbabies and her family the most. She was a simple lady and loved the country life.

She is preceded in death by her parents, baby daughter Trish Lynette Spiller, cousin Al Grace and children's father, Ronny Spiller.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory, children, Ronny Wayne Spiller Jr. and wife Patty, Brian Lynn Spiller, Karrie LeAnne Spiller. Grandchildren, Michael Anthony Spiller, Michael Aaron Spiller, Ryan Lynn Spiller, Cody Spiller, Rudy Joe Vasquez, Katlin Marie Vasquez, Donovan Antonio Vasquez, Trisha Ann Vasquez, Carter Wayne Spiller, Lucas Kent Spiller. Sisters, Linda Jonassen and husband Dale, Shirley Lewis. Numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. Special aunt Lawanda Myers.

Visitation was Friday, March 22, 2019 at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Graveside service were Saturday, March 23, 2019 at Woodland Cemetery in Kirvin.

Pallbearers will be Randy Pullin, Tommy Robertson, David Knight, Chris Knight, Michael Spiller, and John Lewis.

Honorary pallbearers were Carter Spiller and Lucas Spiller.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Freestone Cancer Support Group. An online guest book is available at www.griffin-roughton.com

Arrangements by Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home



**Jackie Claude French**

Funeral services for Jackie Claude French, 72, were held on Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at Bowers Funeral Home in Teague. Bro. Bob Sullivan officiated. Interment followed at Greenwood Cemetery with U.S. Army Honors.

Visitation was held on Wednesday, March 20, 2019, with the family present, at the funeral home.

Mr. French passed away on Monday, March 18, 2019 at Houston Methodist West Hospital.

Jackie Claude French was born in Mexia on February 7, 1947, to Claude and Betty French. He grew up in Teague and graduated from Teague

High School with the class of 1965.

After high school, he worked in Houston briefly before entering into military service with the U. S. Army. Mr. French served in the army for three years during the Vietnam War and spent one year and four months in Vietnam. He received numerous medals and citations for his service including the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with four Bronze Stars, Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Sharpshooter, and the Purple Heart.

He married Kathy Gordon on July 19, 1969, and shared some forty-nine years and eight months of marriage together.

Jackie worked for Nucor Steel in Jewett for twenty-eight years before retiring.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, cooking, and spending time with his family and with his high school classmates.

His greatest accomplishment was being instrumental in the founding of the Veterans Remembrance Park in Teague.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy French of Teague; two daughters, Sandy Hennesey of Centerville and Lori Hagaman of Madisonville; three granddaughters, Bailey Hennesey and Maddey Hennesey both of Centerville and Kate Hagaman of Madisonville; one great-granddaughter, Jaxx Layne Zarate of Centerville; his mother, Betty French of Teague; his sister, JeanAnne Plemons of Teague; numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Mr. French was preceded in death by his father, Claude French and his brother-in-law, Butch Plemons.

The family requests that memorials be made to the Freestone Cancer Support Group, P.O. Box 1522, Fairfield, Texas 75840.

Please visit www.bowersfuneralhome.net to sign the memorial guestbook or to leave a message for the family.

### Spring Style Show & Dinner Tuesday, April 9th

Freestone Cancer Support Group presents their annual Spring Style Show and Dinner on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 with special guest Miss Texas - Madison Fuller!

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. at the Depot X Event Center in Fairfield, with the meal being served at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$15 each and may be purchased at Armadillo Emporium, Texas Outfitters or at the door.

Enjoy shopping, silent

auction, and door prizes.

Styles will be modeled by the following: Juls by Jul, LaDonna's, Texas Outfitters, Kennedy's Korner, Peacocks and Ponys, Maggie Grace Boutique, Merle Norman Boutique, Daddy/Daughter Dance Dresses, 8th Grade Dance Dresses, and High School Prom Dresses.

Don't miss out on all the fun while supporting this great cause!

### April Meetings Announced for Local Organizations

Freestone Quilt Guild will meet Monday, April 1st at 10:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Fairfield, Texas.

Freestone County Historical Commission will hold their quarterly meeting on Tuesday, April 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at the Green Barn Civic Center in Fairfield.

The Freestone County Teachers Association will meet Wednesday, April 10th at 10:30 a.m. at the Fairfield Harmony Presbyterian Church in Fairfield.

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## Highway 84 Claims Another Life

A LATE NIGHT COLLISION resulted in a fatality when this vehicle, driven by Ralph Harold Hale, struck a cow in the middle of the road on East Highway 84 near Butler on Sunday night, March 24th. The accident occurred between County Roads 300 & 301 at approximately 9:30 p.m. that evening, causing Hale's vehicle to flip and land upside down. Justice of the Peace, Pct. 3 - Cinnamon Archibald pronounced Hale deceased at the scene. (Courtesy Photo)

## Don't Give TxDOT a Reason to Pick Up Your Political Signs Know the Rules of the Road

It happens every year around election time. "Somebody is stealing political signs," a reader will call in to the newspaper office.

The first advice is to check with the local TxDOT office in town.

Candidates have been known to end up collecting their political signs from the back of a government truck, after workers have cleared the road of those illegally placed in the right-of-way.

All political advertising, meant to be seen from the road, must carry a "right-of-way" notice, usually appearing underneath a political disclaimer.

The text should read as follows:

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Campaign signs may be placed on private property, but only after securing the owner's permission.

Always check with the applicable ordinances before placing a sign inside of incorporated city limits.

If your political sign has been placed in the right-of-way or it is posing a traffic hazard, TxDOT will remove it without prior notice. All costs associated with sign removal are subject to be paid by the sign owner.

For more information about right-of-way requirements for political signs, visit online at [txdot.gov](http://txdot.gov).

For information about political advertising, go online to [www.ethics.state.tx.us](http://www.ethics.state.tx.us).

## Community Calendar

### FREESTONE QUILT GUILD

First Mondays – 10:00 a.m.  
Fellowship Hall – 1st UMC - Fairfield, Texas

### FREESTONE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

1st Tuesdays – 5:30 p.m.  
Fairfield Library - Fairfield, Texas

### AWE - DINNER & BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays 5:40 a.m. (during school year)  
1st United Methodist Church - Fairfield

### FREESTONE COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS

2nd Wednesdays – 10:30 a.m.  
Fairfield Harmony Presbyterian Church  
119 W. Main, Fairfield, Texas

### FREE INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

Every Thursday – 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
starting Feb. 7th thru April 11  
1st United Methodist Church - Fairfield

### FAIRFIELD LIONS CLUB

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## Former Accountant Dies in Prison

According to news reports, Sandy Jenkins, the former Collin Street Bakery accountant who was caught embezzling more than \$16 million, passed away on Friday, March 15, 2019 in a Fort Worth federal prison hospital, according to Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Case Records.

His cause of death is pending. Jenkins was serving a ten-year sentence in federal prison after pleading guilty in May of 2015 to multiple felony charges.

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dispute to mediation after six months of litigation between the two municipalities.

Court proceedings began in September 2018, with Teague alleging breaches to the Interlocal Definitive Agreement and Facilities Agreements signed between the two cities and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's (TDCJ) Boyd Unit in 1990 and 1992 respectively; mismanagement of associated funds; and violations of the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Questions first arose when the cities' attorney, who at the time, represented both Teague and Fairfield in the Agreements, contacted the City of Teague in April 2018 with a request to address the Council regarding Teague's official release from the current Agreement, as well as the new proposed water project being pursued by the City of Fairfield and TDCJ exclusively.

Teague filed suit seeking injunctive and declaratory relief from Fairfield, petitioning the court to order Fairfield to cease violating the Agreements; award Teague monetary damages of over \$200,000 but not more than

\$1,000,000; and declare the rights of both parties in this suit.

Fairfield answered with a motion to dismiss; and a petition for a jury trial rather than the declaratory judgment requested by Teague. During the course of the lawsuit, Fairfield has claimed sovereign immunity, meaning that the city is exempt from civil litigation and issued a plea to the jurisdiction to that effect, challenging the 87th District Court's authority to decide the case.

Both cities have requested reasonable and necessary attorney and court fees amassed as a result of this lawsuit, be paid by the other party.

Now, Judge Simmons is tasked with determining his court's jurisdiction in this matter, and whether or not the lawsuit between the two cities will eventually go to trial.

The two cities will appear before Judge Simmons on Thursday, March 28, 2019 to hear Teague's motion for court review and Fairfield's motion for severance of TOMA claims at 1:30 p.m. in the Freestone County Courthouse. On April 4th on 1:30 p.m., the cities are set to meet again to hear Fairfield's motion for partial summary judgment. Megan Hempel reporting



## FAIRFIELD POLICE REPORT Chief David Utsey

### Monday, March 18th

2:42 PM-Officer Bates on report of panic alarm, all was of was an accident.

7:04 PM-Officer Alexander on alarm going off.

7:53 PM-Officer Alexander on report of dogs running at large.

### Tuesday, March 19th

1:38 AM-Officer Alexander to meet a complainant about being assaulted, incident happened in the county, Deputy was called.

8:29 AM-Officer Bates assisted subject that was stranded in town.

12:38 PM-Officer Bates on report of alarm going off, all was ok.

11:10 PM-Officer Alexander on report of verbal disturbance, parties separated for the night.

### Wednesday, March 20th

2:07 AM-Officer Alexander arrested subject on warrant.

10:31 AM-Officer Markham on report of subjects in yard having a verbal argument.

2:58 PM-Officer Markham on report of subject being locked out of their residence.

3:20 PM-Officer Markham on report of verbal disturbance in parking lot, spoke to all parties involved.

6:23 PM-Officer Cox on report of subject fighting in field, was unable to locate anyone.

### Thursday, March 21st

3:31 AM-Officer Price and Cox assist Fairfield EMS on medical emergency.

9:44 AM-Officer Markham on call about subject leaving house in vehicle who has dementia, subject located and all was ok.

10:57 AM-Officer Markham on report of 911 call at residence, no one was at home.

11:08 AM-Officer Markham on report of dog out and tearing up trash, owner contacted and advised about city ordinance on dogs and advised he need to pick up trash.

4:36 PM-Officer Markham on welfare check, all was ok.

6:11 PM-Officer Cox on report of two males in parking lot going car to car asking for money, Officer advised them

that they could not do that.

### Friday, March 22nd

9:59 AM-Officer Bates assist Deputy with subject that was having mental issues.

12:04 PM-Officer Bates to PD to meet a lady asking questions about CBD oil she had purchased.

1:21 PM-Officer Bates to meet a complainant about dog being hit by vehicle.

6:52 PM-Officer Alexander on report of suspicious subject on exit ramp, was unable to locate.

8:30 PM-Officer Alexander on report of loud music, subject was advised to turn the music down.

8:58 PM-Officer Alexander on report of suspicious person sitting at the library, subject was using WIFI.

9:31 PM-Officer Alexander on reported power pole on fire, was unable to locate fire.

### Saturday, March 23rd

12:29 AM-Officer Alexander to meet a complainant having issues after girlfriend broke up with him.

10:29 AM-Officer Bates on report of reckless driver.

5:57 PM-Officer Bates to assist Susie with ride home.

6:54 PM-Officer Alexander on report of subject riding 4 wheeler on roadway, was advised that it could not be operated on the road.

10:11 PM-Officer Alexander on report of suspicious subject.

### Sunday, March 24th

12:17 AM-Officer Alexander arrested subject for public intoxication.

1:56 AM-Officer Alexander on report of fight, subject gone officer arrival.

9:27 AM-Officer Bates on report of unattended child.

12:09 PM-Officer Bates to meet a complainant about someone cutting AC lines.

2:01 PM-Officer Bates on verbal argument, parties separated.

3:21 PM-Officer Bates on report of vehicle broke down in the roadway.

7:30 PM-Officer Alexander on report of lady at store bothering customers, subject was asked to leave.



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### April 5th

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**Entry forms available at Heritage Title & Abstract, NAPA Auto Parts, Community National Bank, Farmers State Bank, Hometown Pharmacy, and Huffman Agency (Teague)**

Entry is free. Deadline is Monday, April 1st at 4 p.m. or email [ako@htprx.com](mailto:ako@htprx.com) for entry form.

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property and approve building permit for said property as considered at the March 14, 2017 Council Meeting.

--Approve action regarding a long term contract with the Freestone County Fair Association as considered at the May 1, 2018 and May 8, 2018 Council Meetings.

--Approve issuance of a letter of intent for the purchase of property from Navarro College as considered at the August 14, 2018 Council Meeting.

--Approve repairs to Faire Department ladder truck to Siddons-Martin with budget amendment in the amount of \$24,521.83 as considered at the November 13, 2018 Council Meeting.

--Approve acceptance of retirement letter from Chief Kenny Bulger effective November 30, 2018 as considered at the November 13, 2018 Council Meeting.

--Approve acceptance of thirty day termination of contract letter dated November 5, 2018 from Jana Taylor, Interim City Administrator as considered at the November 13, 2018 Council Meeting.

--Approve recommendation of the City Judge for Donna Bulger to go to a forty-hour work week as considered at the November 13, 2018 Council Meeting.

All of these items were approved by Councilmen James Tyus, Randy Johnson, Keith Daniels, and Landis Bayless. Councilman Jason Bosley voted against each of these.

**Modified items were:**

--Original Motion was - Approve moving forward with *purchase* of Navarro College Campus as considered at the November 9, 2018 Council Meeting.

--Modified Motion is - Approve moving forward with *pursing a study* of Navarro College Campus.

Councilman Daniels made the motion to modify. Voting to approve were Councilmen Johnson, Bayless, and Bosley. Councilman Tyus voted against.

**Items which were voided include:**

--Approve moving \$250,000 from TDCJ fund to the General Fund as considered at the September 12, 2017 Council Meeting.

On September 12, 2017, Councilmen Joe Lee Kirgan, Jr. made the motion to move the monies and Councilman Bayless gave the second. Councilman (now Mayor)

Kenny Hughes voted to approve. Voting against were Councilmen Daniels and Johnson.

At the September 11, 2018 meeting, Frank Steele, the City's annual auditor, made a presentation to the Council explaining that the action to move the money was never completed. Due to this fact, a recommendation was made to void the original action.

--Accept a quote from Wright Climate Heating and Air for the purchase of an AC/ Heating Unit for the Fairfield Boy Scout hut located at the Moody Reunion Fairgrounds as considered at the November 13, 2018 Council Meeting.

This item was voided due to the fact that the man who submitted the bid was not actually an employee of Wright Climate Heating and Air. The company says they had no knowledge of the bid and refused to take payment for work they did not bid on or perform. The equipment has since been removed from the Boy Scout hut and the City is redoing the bidding process.

Again, both items were approved by Councilmen Tyus, Johnson, Daniels, and Bayless; with Councilman Bosley voting against.

Also at this meeting, Council voted to reject recommendations from the City of Teague for revisions to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year, as presented at the Joint Council Meeting between the two cities held on October 18, 2018.

In addition, with the exception of Councilman Bosley, Council approved an Escrow Agreement with the Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, to authorize the City of Fairfield to deposit available funds for defeased bonds for the discharge and final payment of the defeased bonds. (Defeasance is a provision that voids a bond or loan when the borrower sets aside cash or bonds sufficient enough to service the borrower's debt.)

This action, once taken, will pay off the remaining bond amount for TDCJ wastewater facilities, which will effectively conclude the agreement between the two cities.

City of Fairfield's regularly schedule meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at Fairfield City Hall, located at 222 South Mount Street in Fairfield.

Nicole Schaefer reporting

**-Preparations Begin-  
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light of the numerous issues with both the Ford Explorers and Dodge Chargers, and the lack of available Dodge Durangos, the Tahoe would provide durability and adequate space, meeting the requirements for the department's K-9 Officer, Zeld, and CopSyn computer systems.

According to Prasil's research, two Chevrolet Tahoes with police package would cost approximately \$92,000, not including the installation of the computer systems and graphics, which would cost around \$2,500 each.

Alderman Ron Rasbeary questioned how the City would pay for these new vehicles.

Prasil explained that the money spent on repairs annually would be repurposed for financing new vehicles and transitioning into newer vehicles as time passes, recommended every three years.

Alderman Jerry Ballew, acting as Mayor Pro Tem in the absence of Mayor James Monks, pointed out that the City can also hold a surplus sale of its decommissioned vehicles and unused equipment; a plan that Prasil says is already in the works.

Because the purchase amount is more than \$50,000, the City would be required to go through a sealed bidding process, which requires the Council's approval. Prasil suggested that these bids be collected now for consideration during budget planning next year. The City is not obligated to accept the bids received.

Alderman Chris Nickleberry asked about the interest rates associated with financing the new vehicles.

Prasil answered that the City's public finance firm, Government Capital, has interest rates of 4% or lower; and local banks' rates will also be considered.

Alderman Marilyn Michaud made the motion to approve the request to begin the bidding process on three Chevrolet Tahoes for the Police Department. Receiving a second from Alderwoman Marie Hertenberger and 3-1 vote from the Council, the process of implementing a fleet management program

was approved. Alderman Rasbeary voted against the motion, and Mayor Pro Tem Ballew abstained from all voting while conducting the meeting.

In another motion, Alderwomen Michaud and Hertenberger, with a unanimous vote from the Council, set the start of the bidding process for the next business day through April 18, 2019, with bids to be presented at a later Council meeting for consideration during annual budget planning.

The Council was asked to consider applying the fleet management program to the Public Works Department as well. Prasil reported that, in the last two years, the City has spent \$40,850 on repairs to Public Works' vehicles.

Public Works Director Jacob Cowling explained the condition of his department's current fleet, ranging from trucks leaking diesel fuel and oil in the coolant system, to transmission issues. Public Works currently have seven work trucks ranging from 2003, 2008, and one 2019 model.

This year's budget included funds for the purchase of the department's new 2019 Chevrolet 2500HD Silverado. Also purchased recently was a 2018 Ram with crane, and the City's old animal control vehicle was repurposed for use.

Like the Police Department's fleet, the cost of repairs exceeds the value of the vehicles.

Cowling and Prasil provided a quote of \$26,625, plus \$875 for lights and graphics, for a 2019 Chevrolet Silverado 2500.

The Council voted unanimously to collect bids on a new truck, as they consider adopting a vehicle transitioning program into next year's budget planning process.

Two public hearings were conducted to replat several lots in the Meadow Ridge and Toler Subdivisions. Prasil explained that the respective homeowners are seeking to combine their two lots to build homes in compliance with the new homesteading qualifications.

The sewer lines previously in question in the Toler Subdivision have since been properly identified, abandoned, and capped;

and at the suggestion of attorneys, a release of liability was signed by the City and property owners.

With no participation, the hearings were closed and the Council voted unanimously to approve the two requests.

Teague Economic Development (EDC) Director, Bill Elliot, received unanimous approval on a request from his board to appoint Bill Bowers as a Director.

Mayor Pro Tem Jerry Ballew presented a proclamation declaring April 7-13, 2019 as National Library Week for the City of Teague. The Council voiced their support of the Teague Public Library and its outstanding service to the community.

Following executive session, Miguel Hutchinson was hired as a Patrol Police Officer with a unanimous vote from Aldermen.

During department director reports, City Administrator/ Secretary Prasil noted a 24.77% increase in sales tax; the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application has been submitted; the Little Dribblers American Regional Basketball Tournament began Monday, March 18th, being hosted at Teague High School gyms through Saturday, March 23rd and the Teague Baseball and Softball teams have prepared Thomas Field to host two tournaments in May.

Prasil reported that the presentation of the City's annual financial audit was delayed due to the ongoing litigation against Fairfield, but is due to be reviewed at the Council's next meeting on April 15th.

She reminded the group that voting begins March 20th, by mail, with early voting beginning April 22nd for the May 4th election; and the Teague Chamber of Commerce Banquet is set for April 11th at the Teague Community Center.

Public Work Director Cowling reported that water operations are good, well tests have been run and some repairs are needed; aerators for the wastewater system will be replaced; and the generator at the north plant has been installed.

Cowling shared that the Streets Department is considering and testing a product called Aqua Patch,

provided by TBI Solutions, LLC, for pothole repair throughout the city; solar lights have been ordered as budgeted for both 8th Avenue and Jefferson Parks and the old lights will be moved to the Public Works yard. Drainage issues are still being addressed at the 8th Avenue Park, baseball fields, playground, and the surrounding streets.

Chief of Police Philpott delivered his statistics and code enforcement report. He commended Officer Winston for her diligence while working code enforcement. New Animal Control/Code Enforcement Officer Eric Sterling will now take the lead on enforcing those ordinances.

Librarian Diane Willis told the Council that Spring Break was a success at Teague Public Library, with daily craft projects for kids and teens volunteering.

EDC Director Elliot reported that one project was lost, however work continues on the second. Due to non-disclosures associated with projects of this nature, Elliot was unable to elaborate on the specifics of the projects at this time.

Elliot reaffirmed his board's desire to assist the City and reported that Stephanie Burns was elected the board's new president.

Alderwoman Marie Hertenberger questioned Elliot's previous comments regarding a lack of office space in the city, asking about the delay in the EDC completing their new building and the restoration of the old City Hall.

Elliot answered that work on both buildings is still planned, with asbestos testing still required at the old City Hall. He clarified that he was mostly referring to the dilapidated and fire damaged buildings along Main Street.

City Administrator Prasil requested that Elliot meet with her on the next available business day to discuss developments regarding some of the downtown properties, and together, form a plan of action.

The next meeting of the Teague City Council will be April 15th at 6:00 p.m., with the Park Pavilion Committee set to meet March 25th at 6:00 p.m. Megan Hempel reporting

# Submit Your Town Photos for Go Fairfield App

Big thanks to Georgia Rocha for submitting a picture of her daughter playing in the park. It is currently being featured under the "Outdoors" category of the Go Fairfield app.

Also featured is last year's Tea Party on Mount Street, organized by Fairfield's

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**-Teague Forum-**  
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State University, where he met his wife. Now, the couple, along with their four year old daughter, lives in Teague where they plan to buy a home.

"That's where this whole story starts basically," shared Mathison, "I never thought I'd run for an Alderman - especially at 30, but here we are. Taxes are extremely high in Teague, compared to Fairfield and other local towns; our infrastructure is pretty bad, to say the least; and we have a lot of issues as a community."

However, Mathison said he does not believe that these issues are beyond repair and with time and cooperation, progress can, and will be, made.

**Lois Mims, candidate for Alderman Place 5**, was born and raised in Teague, moving to Dallas in 1987 to open her own business. Upon her return in 1999, Mims now has grown children and grandchildren in Teague and seeks to help bring positive changes to the community.

"It's time for us to rebuild Teague," said Mims. "I feel like we can do that, I feel like we can come together in unity."

Mims stated that she has great passion for Teague, and is inspired to run for Council to work toward addressing the issues at hand for the betterment of her community. If elected, she aspires to do her job well, and to the satisfaction of her fellow citizens.

**Chris Nickleberry, incumbent Alderman Place 4**, was born in Houston, but credits Teague with saving his life. Moving to Teague in 1996, and graduating from Teague High School in 1999, Nickleberry says the community has always been good to him.

"In fact, this community kind of saved my life," said Nickleberry. "I came from Houston - I was kind of running from the wrong things, but I ran into the right things."

Nickleberry explained that he never imagined himself living in a small town, but he stayed, raising his four children and working as a teacher and coach with Teague Independent School District for fifteen years. Before that, he owned his own restaurant

business for four and a half years. He described his ten years of service to the Council as a way to give back to his community.

**Jamie West, candidate for Alderman Place 4**, has been a property owner in Teague since 2013. Originally from Mexia, West attended Teague High School and currently holds a Bachelors Degree in Nursing, and is pursuing her Master's Degree to become a nurse practitioner. West said she plans to practice locally to help promote healthcare accessibility in the area.

As a mother of two, West is inspired to campaign to address the City's lack of infrastructure and youth activities, and promote more transparency and open communication with citizens.

Addressing transparency, West offered an explanation into her criminal record. She told the crowd that in 2017 she was arrested for shooting a dog that she says charged at her. According to West, the shooting was deemed as warranted and charges were dropped.

"I am free to [answer] any questions about me, or about my past - but I will be glad to talk to you about my future and the places I'm going," offered West.

**Dennis Cox, candidate for Alderman Place 2**, was born and raised in Teague. After graduating in 1976, Cox left for Huntsville to follow his high school sweetheart and fiancée. Cox worked for the Tyler Police Department and the United Nations in Kosovo for four and a half years.

Cox and his wife returned to settle in Teague where he has served one term as an Alderman and as Chief of Police for nine years. He said these experiences have given him insight into City government and the budget process. Currently, he works as a bus driver, teacher's aide, and resource officer for Teague ISD and is a member of the Teague Volunteer Fire Department.

"My whole life I've been serving the public and I love it," said Cox. "I feel like God has put me here to serve and that's what I want to do."

**Wendy Bain, candidate for Alderman Place 2**, has lived in Teague her whole life, working as a landman for thirteen years. Returning to Teague when her son was a senior in High School, Bain now works at Daps Stop and

Shop. She described herself as a people person who is interested in working toward bettering Teague, mainly through job development.

"I just want to see a change in Teague," said Bain. "I think that Teague could build to a lot. It can be so much better than it is. We need jobs here, and we just don't have them. We need a lot here. You can't just sum it up into one small, little area."

Bain stated that she believes if everyone comes together to help, a better quality of life can be accomplished.

**Rhonda Jones, candidate for Alderman Place 2**, has lived in Teague since 1975, raising two sons and working with local banks for thirty years until her retirement from Prosperity Bank last year. As a member of the Teague Chamber of Commerce for almost a decade, Jones said she knows how to use community service and cooperation to get the job done.

"This is my home," said Jones. "It doesn't feel the same whenever I go back to where I was born and raised. You are my family and I love y'all."

Recently, Jones said that she has become curious about the process of City government. She said she is discouraged to see so much negativity, and hopes that citizens can work together to positively address these issues as Teague moves into the future.

Candidates were asked to answer three questions during the Forum.

**--If elected, what steps would you take to put our City on a firmer financial footing?**

**Ryan Mathison** explained that he was motivated to run to address the incredibly high taxes in Teague, and the fact that citizens cannot afford any more taxation, while continuing to see limited improvement. Mathison said his focus will be on revamping the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) to generate more jobs in the area to increase revenue and offset the burden of taxing citizens.

**Lois Mims** agreed that adding to local business to attract more commerce would benefit the city. Mims shared that she will graduate this year with her Bachelors in Business Administration and firmly believes that new business will directly benefit the community.

**Chris Nickleberry** trusts

that moving toward a solid financial future will rely on budgeting decisions and increased economic development, and agreed that taxing citizens is not the answer. He urged the crowd to support existing local businesses to keep tax dollars in Teague.

**Jamie West** mirrored the other candidates' answers that economic development in the city must increase. With more jobs, West believes more sales tax will positively benefit the community. She also suggested that the city continue to pursue available grants.

**Dennis Cox** said he believes the EDC should be more active in recruiting new businesses for the area. He said he is in favor of the vehicle transitioning programs suggested for next year's budget planning, and feels that money can be saved if the Council engages in less wasteful spending.

**Wendy Bain** said she believes that there are always items in the budget that can be cut to make funds available elsewhere. Bain reiterated that Teague needs more jobs. She suggested that the Council may have to work harder to find funds available and cut unnecessary spending.

**Rhonda Jones** said she works very closely with Teague's EDC Director, and feels that he is actively pursuing new businesses for the city. However, Jones conceded that the Director must answer to the EDC Board and City Council, and proper cooperation is necessary to accomplish those goals.

**--Do you think our Main Street is healthy and successful? If not, what would you do to change that?**

**Ryan Mathison** said he is aware of the need for repair to the buildings on Main Street, but thinks the economic boom needed in Teague will include more than just the downtown area. He gave credit to the EDC for attempting to work with owners of those buildings to beautify downtown, but noted the need for increased attention to development throughout the City.

**Lois Mims** related how downtown was once full of businesses. Now, she sees the need to revive Main Street to appeal to new businesses interested in operating in Teague. Mims

said the appearance of the downtown area is a key factor in attracting potential businesses. She suggested a low cost community clean-up effort to help make Main Street more presentable.

**Chris Nickleberry** said he feels that downtown has much improved in the last few years. He urged the group to support local businesses and take pride in and support the progress on Main Street. Nickleberry shared that several years ago the Council approved a downtown reinvestment zone for the EDC to provide incentives to businesses operating downtown.

**Jamie West** agreed that Main Street has seen many improvements recently. She also encouraged citizens to support local business, and shared that she would gladly work with the EDC and Chamber of Commerce to support their present and future endeavors.

**Dennis Cox** also touched on the gradual improvements to Main Street, and the EDC's available Façade Program grants for beautification of downtown store fronts. He shared that, small efforts like maintaining the flower boxes, cleaning up store fronts and sidewalks, make a big difference to the overall appearance of the downtown area.

**Wendy Bain** complimented the progress made in the downtown area. However, she said that without better jobs available, citizens may not always be able to afford to shop locally, believing that emphasis should be put on bringing more commerce to Teague.

**Rhonda Jones** noted the improvement to the Main Street area. She related that many buildings downtown are in need of serious repair, the cost of which may discourage new businesses from wanting to move in. Jones feels that working together to beautify the city will help attract more people to the area, benefiting local businesses.

**--How do you plan to involve residents in the decision making process in our town?**

**Ryan Mathison** related his recent experiences at Council meetings, sharing that he was surprised to see how few people attend and involve themselves in the process. He suggested implementing a community-wide event

to encourage residents to gather at and shop the local businesses, or city-wide clean up days to enhance the appearance of the town.

**Lois Mims** said that she thinks being an advocate for citizens, and taking their needs and concerns to the Council whether or not they are able to attend Council meetings, will encourage more participation. Mims believes more people will become involved in the process with open and honest communication.

**Chris Nickleberry** answered honestly, stating that the invitation to be involved is always open. However, city business is not always exciting and rarely draws a crowd. He shared that during his tenure on the Council, he sees the most attendance when an issue hits residents close to home or raises conflict. Nickleberry encouraged citizens to stay engaged, vote, volunteer, and be active in the community.

**Jamie West** shared her ideas for involving residents in the process of city government, suggesting that Council meetings be live streamed using social media to the benefit of the public, and Aldermen make themselves more accessible.

**Dennis Cox** thinks that interacting with the public, inviting them to attend meetings, and taking citizens' suggestions, concerns, and needs to the Council if and when they are not able.

**Wendy Bain** agreed that accessibility and transparency is key in establishing a positive working relationship with citizens. She emphasized that everyone's voice matters in deciding the future of our town.

**Rhonda Jones** believes that having an open line of communication between the public and the Council is crucial. She agreed that using social media to reach citizens would be beneficial to establishing a working relationship.

*The "Times"* would like to thank the candidates and citizens who attended the second annual forum. Special thanks go to the City of Teague for use of the Community Center and Sam's Restaurant for providing the tea and coffee.

Early voting begins April 22, 2019 for the general election May 4, 2019.

Megan Hempel reporting

# Teague Author Hosts Book Signing April 5th

A Book Signing with first-time author, Courtney Taylor, will be held on Friday, April 5, 2019 at the Historic Teague Hotel from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

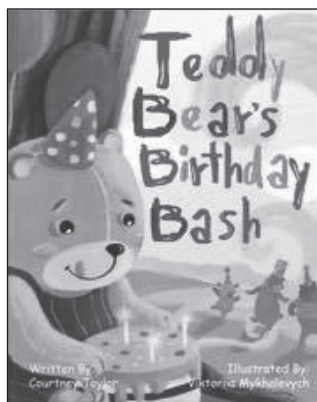
Taylor wrote "Teddy Bear's Birthday Bash" for her son's first birthday.

The book is about inclusiveness

and kindness, says Taylor. The story features different bears for different people.

Everyone is invited to stop by and meet the author. A reading will take place at 5:00 p.m.

Refreshments will be served and books will be available for purchase.





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700-800	125-135

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**Slaughter Bulls**

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**Steer/Bull Calve & Yearlings**

150-200 lbs	145-220
200-300 lbs	140-225
300-400 lbs	135-217
400-500 lbs	130-200
500-600 lbs	125-175
600-700 lbs	120-152
700-800 lbs	110-139

**Heifer Calves & Yearlings**

150-200 lbs	110-212
200-300 lbs	125-192
300-400 lbs	120-200
400-500 lbs	110-172
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500-600 lbs	140-165
600-700 lbs	130-155
700-800 lbs	120-145

**No. 1 Heifers**

Under 300 lbs	140-175
300-400 lbs	140-165
400-500 lbs	130-160
500-600 lbs	130-150
600-700 lbs	120-135
700-800 lbs	115-130

**Slaughter Cows**

High Yielding	55 to 64
Low Yielding	40 to 48
Fats	57 to 66
Thin & Shelly	35 to 40

**Packer Bulls (1250-2075 lbs)**

Yield Grade 1&2	70 to 87
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**Cow & Calf Pairs**

Young Choice	1200 to 1450
Young Fair	1000 to 1250
Aged Pairs	750 to 1000
Young Pregnancy Test Stocker Replacement Cows	500 to 1150

# Woods, Waters, and Wildlife

## Godzilla Gars

by John Jefferson

There are said to be two large alligator gars in Round Rock. It was comforting to know they aren't in the San Gabriel River; I've waded it often and turned over in my canoe there once. I've never seen an alligator gar -- and probably most Texans have never heard of them.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) says some have been taken weighing over 300 pounds. That's almost as heavy as some of A&M's linemen.

The official state record alligator gar scaled in at 279 pounds, caught in 1951 by Bill Valverde in the Rio Grande. However, a Fox News report by Jennifer Earl says according to TPWD, a 1953 catch weighed 302 pounds.

Why the 302-pound gar isn't the state record could be explained several ways. It might have been weighed on non-certified scales, or it might have been caught by TPWD biologists during a net survey. Regardless, it makes good copy to report that gars in Texas have been caught weighing between 279 and 302-pounds. As the old editor in "The Man Who Shot Liberty Valence" said, "When legend becomes fact, print the legend."

Ms. Earl also reported on a recent catch estimated at 250 pounds, guided by Bubba Bedre. He hadn't brought his scales that day, so the weight is only an estimate. Guiding on the Trinity River,



A DANISH CLIENT OF GAR-GUIDE Bubba Bedre's caught this gargantuan alligator gar on the Trinity River. It was estimated as being 8-feet long and weighing 250-pounds. (Photo courtesy of Bubba Bedre)

Bedre was hosting people from Denmark working on a magazine article. His guide business is known as Capt. Bubba Bedre's Garzilla Alligator Gar Guide Service in Elkhart, Anderson County.

Bedre's gar was caught using cut carp for bait on a 4/0 treble hook. They released the monster back into the river. He formerly bow-fished gars but turned to rod and reel fishing and catch-and-release when big gars became scarce.

As ferocious as they look, alligator gars are not reported to attack humans -- thankfully! I do, however, remember reading accounts of fools swimming the

Mississippi River long distances downstream being bitten by fish that were thought to be either large catfish or gars.

Lance Robinson, a senior biologist with the TPWD coastal fisheries division, said he had never heard of any attacks on humans. He did say they have caught several seven-foot-long gars in seines in Galveston Bay. Gars live in brackish water and many Texas rivers, especially in East Texas. There is even a report of an alligator gar in Lake Travis.

All this gar gabble was brought to mind by a TPWD proposal last week making it illegal to bow-fish for

alligator gars on the Trinity River at night. Alligator gar catches must be reported within 24-hours except on Falcon. Declining population and over-harvest are likely, prompting a limit of only one per day -- under 48-inches. They don't reproduce until they reach that size, and then only during spring or summer floods.

Over 20 gar bow-fishermen testified against the proposal. It was adopted as a conservation measure, however. The proposal also provided for a drawing to allow one over-size gar per year by selected anglers.

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# Poultry Owners Warned About Virulent Newcastle Disease

As part of its overall mission to protect American agriculture, the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) works to keep the country's livestock and poultry healthy. APHIS works to keep foreign animal diseases out of the country and responds when cases do appear in the nation's herds and flocks.

One disease of concern in virulent Newcastle disease, previously referred to as Exotic Newcastle Disease. Virulent Newcastle disease is a deadly viral disease affecting all species of birds. Virulent Newcastle disease spreads quickly and can infect and cause death even in vaccinated poultry. All bird owners should be aware of the basics, how to help prevent the disease, and the steps to take if you suspect your birds may have it.

**Know the Signs of Virulent Newcastle Disease**

If you see any of the following signs in your birds, they could be sick and should be checked out:

- Sudden death and increased death loss in flock;
- Sneezing, gasping for air, nasal discharge, coughing;
- Greenish, watery diarrhea;
- Decreased activity, tremors, drooping wings, twisting of head and neck, circling, complete stiffness; and
- Swelling around the eyes and neck.

**Report Sick Birds ASAP**

If your birds are sick or dying, report it right away! Early detection and testing of possible cases of virulent Newcastle disease is critical to preventing a large-scale outbreak.

Contact your agricultural extension office/agent, local veterinarian, local animal health diagnostic laboratory, or the State veterinarian. Or, call USDA toll free at 1-866-536-7593, and we'll put you in touch with a local contact. There's no charge for a disease investigation.

**How Virulent Newcastle Disease Spreads**

Virulent Newcastle disease spreads when healthy birds come in direct contact with bodily fluids from sick birds. The disease affects almost all birds and poultry, even vaccinated poultry. The virus can travel on manure, egg flats, crates, other farming materials or equipment, and people who have picked up the virus on their clothing, shoes, or hands.

**Prevent Virulent Newcastle Disease with Good Biosecurity**

The best way to keep your birds healthy is to practice biosecurity. Birds can become sick or die from exposure to just a few unseen bacteria, viruses or parasites. In a single day, these germs can multiply and infect every bird on your premises.

So protect your birds by taking a few simple steps. These include:

- Restricting traffic onto and off of your property.
- Disinfecting shoes, clothes, hands, egg trays or flats, crates, vehicles, and tires.
- Avoiding visits to other poultry farms or bird owners. If you do, be sure to change clothes and clean your hands and shoes before entering your own bird area.
- Washing hands and scrubbing boots before and after entering a poultry area; and
- Isolating any birds returning from shows for 30 days before placing them with the rest of the flock.

**Smart Practices When Buying Birds**

Buy from a reputable hatchery or dealer, and request certification from suppliers that the birds were legally imported or come from U.S. stock and were healthy before shipment.

Also, maintain records of all sales and shipments of flocks. Keep new birds separated from your other birds for at least 30 days. Keep young and old birds and birds of different species and from different sources apart.



It seems it happened so fast. We went from Winter to Spring even though it is sometimes still very cool outside and even though not all the fields are dried out from the abundance of rain we have had. I was so glad to see some grass coming in and I hope it grows a lot quicker than it has been. We had thought we might have to feed the cows through Spring because the cool temperatures were hampering the grass growth. We are sure as soon as it warms up some more, the grass will grow quickly.

The trap and corral pens are filled with grass. Dark green, long stemmed, waves of grass. We had absolutely no problem catching the whole Middle Herd last week because of the picture-perfect grass found there. Some cows had already been standing outside the gates staring inside at the grass. We had them in the North East Pasture for a couple of days and when we drove down to open the gate to let them out and The Colonel gave his special call, some of the cows beat us to the trap. Even the bulls came on the run, big and small bulls, the little calves came right along with their Mommas. Some of them couldn't even get past where the gates had been because they would stop to eat the first grass they saw.

We had Fedora; the little calf we are bottle feeding, locked up in a little pen in the corral because we were afraid she would get stepped on by the others. She seemed to be in light shock at all the cows being in the same area where she was. So, Spring has sprung at the Red Oak Ranch!

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300-400 lbs	222.5-222.5
400-500 lbs	207-207
500-600 lbs	177-177
600-700 lbs	160-160
700-800 lbs	N/T

**Heifers Good & Choice**

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400-500 lbs	170-170
500-600 lbs	160-160
600-700 lbs	195-195
700-800 lbs	N/T

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## Weekly Horoscopes

**ARIES** - Mar 21/Apr 20  
You might have to make a few concessions in the short-term if you are eager to make real progress in the long-term, Aries. Eventually all things will even out.

**TAURUS** - Apr 21/May 21  
Put exercise to the forefront of your list of things to do, Taurus. If you have not been physically active lately, work slowly and diligently to build up your endurance.

**GEMINI** - May 22/Jun 21  
Important decisions cannot be made in a matter of minutes, Gemini. You really have to work through all the angles. Seek opinions from trusted friends.

**CANCER** - Jun 22/Jul 22  
Make a list of things you need to accomplish this week, Cancer. If you let it all sit in your head, you are bound to get overwhelmed and forget something.

**LEO** - Jul 23/Aug 23  
Leo, there are a few ways a situation at work can go. Not every path may meet with your utmost approval. But you may have to swallow your pride and compromise.

**VIRGO** - Aug 24/Sept 22  
If illness has been going around, Virgo, do your best to avoid getting sick. Be diligent in hand washing and other preventive measures.

**LIBRA** - Sept 23/Oct 23  
Even the most doting parents can use some down time once in a while, Libra. Plan an adults-only date night and enjoy some well-deserved conversation.

**SCORPIO** - Oct 24/Nov 22  
Scorpio, illnesses or medical obstacles can have many sources - from the foods you eat to your emotional wellness. Start

jotting things down in a journal to figure out how to feel and look your best.

**SAGITTARIUS** - Nov 23/Dec 21  
Your perseverance is a source of inspiration to others, Sagittarius. Don't be bashful when others share these thoughts with you. Accept their well wishes and give thanks.

**CAPRICORN** - Dec 22/Jan 20  
Hold tight to those friends who have your best interests at heart through happy and trying situations, Capricorn. These are the people you can call upon this week.

**AQUARIUS** - Jan 21/Feb 18  
For so long you have been doling out advice to other people and helping them improve their lives, Aquarius. Now you are the one who could benefit from some counsel.

**PISCES** - Feb 19/Mar 20  
Pisces, a recent birthday celebration could have you feeling like you need to make drastic changes. But small ones can fit the bill as well.

- FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS**
- MARCH 24**  
Val Chmerkovskiy, Dancer (33)
- MARCH 25**  
Danica Patrick, Athlete (37)
- MARCH 26**  
Diana Ross, Singer (75)
- MARCH 27**  
Jessie J, Singer (31)
- MARCH 28**  
Lady Gaga, Singer (33)
- MARCH 29**  
Elle Macpherson, Model (55)
- MARCH 30**  
Chris Sale, Athlete (30)

## SUDOKU

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**Fun By The Numbers**

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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

5	4	7	2	6	9	1	3	8
8	6	2	7	1	3	4	9	5
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2	7	9	6	3	6	8	4	1
4	3	6	8	2	1	5	9	7
1	9	8	4	5	6	2	3	7
7	2	1	3	9	8	6	4	5
9	8	4	6	5	2	1	3	7
6	5	9	7	4	1	8	6	2

**ANSWER:**

- CLUES ACROSS**
- Joint
  - A group of countries in special alliance
  - Stone
  - Move with a splashing sound
  - Can be fixed
  - Giving human characteristics to the nonhuman
  - Other side of yang (Chinese)
  - Consume
  - Gave it a go
  - One point north of due east
  - Fat used to make puddings
  - Turfs
  - Not awake
  - Not nice
  - Frighten
  - Political action committee
  - Skin problem
  - Type of music
  - Intestinal pouches
  - Eight
  - Emerald Isle
  - Interpret characters
  - Abandon
  - Felines
  - Energy and enthusiasm
  - Resembles a pouch
  - Relating to sense of smell
  - Swiss river
  - Bradley Int'l Airport
  - \_\_\_\_\_ yonder
  - Tarred and \_\_\_\_\_
  - Boyish
  - This (Spanish)
  - Male parent
  - Lounge chair

- CLUES DOWN**
- Sports award
  - Monetary unit of Angola
  - Some animals live here
  - Former CIA
  - Global health group
  - Male given name
  - Opposite of right
  - Open Payment Initiative
  - Desert plants
  - A bird that cannot fly
  - Off-Broadway theater award
  - Lump of clay
  - Barbie's pal
  - Seldom
  - Noses
  - Denotes past
  - Selling at specially reduced prices
  - \_\_\_ Claus
  - Comes before two
  - Fencing swords
  - Nocturnal rodent
  - Chinese revolutionary
  - Electronic counter-countermeasures
  - Enjoyable
  - Villain
  - Discussed
  - Waterfall (Scottish)
  - Old television part (abbr.)
  - Roughly chipped flint
  - Nigerian City
  - Amount of time
  - Coloring material
  - Type of constrictor snake

**PUZZLE SOLUTION**

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**FRENCH:** Récolte

**GERMAN:** Ernte

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### WORDS

- ABSENCE
- ACTION
- ADDRESS
- ADJOURN
- AGENDA
- APPOINTMENT
- BALANCE
- BLUEPRINT
- BUSINESS
- CLEAN
- CODE
- CONTEXT
- COST
- CRITERIA
- DAILY
- DATA
- DURATION
- ESTIMATION
- FILES
- FOLLOWUP
- GOALS
- MANAGEMENT
- MEETING
- MODEL
- MODERATION
- OPPORTUNITY
- ORGANIZED
- PLANNING
- PRIORITIZE
- PROCRASTINATE
- PROJECT
- SCHEDULE
- SOFTWARE
- SOURCING
- TIME TRACKER

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

FAKE NEWS



Thursday, March 28th in Fairfield

# Candidate Forum



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## To Eat Gluten or Not to Eat Gluten?

Gluten has been a hot topic in the health and fitness world as of late.

Why are we removing gluten from our diet?

Gluten is a protein found in wheat, barley, rye, and triticale. Some people have gluten sensitivity which is when a person experiences stomach pain, bloating, headaches, fatigue, and discomfort after eating gluten.

Others may have been diagnosed with celiac disease which is an autoimmune disorder where gluten causes damage to a person's small intestines. This can cause a block in absorption and even physical pain while other may not even feel discomfort.

Other ailments that have been linked to an intolerance of gluten are hashimoto thyroiditis, rheumatologic disease, psoriasis, IBS, and even weight gain.

If you suffer from any of the above, it may be smart to remove gluten from your diet.

Living gluten free has its own issues because as many know, it may not be easily accessible to get foods that do not contain gluten. Not only do you have to be mindful about food but many cosmetics, lip balm, vitamins, supplements, prescriptions, toothpaste, mouthwash, and some body products.

The best thing to do is to remove gluten for a while and see if you feel better overall.

Although you may not have been diagnosed with any of these problems, your body may be suffering from gluten and the only way to know if it is, is to remove it.

There are a lot of products that are gluten free. So try it out and see if by chance going gluten free could be the anecdote to you feeling blah!

This article was written in courtesy of Tiffany Anderson at Thee Juice-N-Aid located at 122 S Keechi St. Fairfield, Tx 75840.

For the fourth year in a row, the *Freestone County Times* will host a Candidate Forum to assist Fairfield voters in making the best choices for their communities.

Join us on Thursday, March 28th at the Green Barn Civic Center at the fairgrounds in Fairfield, Texas. Forum will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m.

Candidates for Fairfield City Council are invited to attend.

Editor Karen Leidy will serve as moderator.

Light refreshments will be served.

The final half hour of the Forum will be set aside for citizens' questions for the candidates.

Due to time, those wishing to ask questions will be asked to sign up at the beginning of the Forum.

Special thanks to the City of Fairfield for providing the venue for this event.

For more information, call *The "Times"* at 903-389-NEWS (6397). Or, email the Editor at [news@freestonecountytimes.com](mailto:news@freestonecountytimes.com)

We hope that everyone will make plans to attend.

### Meet the Candidates

Up for election are Place 3, Place 4, and Place 5.

Competing for those positions are: Place 3 – incumbent Keith Daniels and candidate Robert "Bobby" Nichols; Place 4 – Incumbent Landis Bayless and candidate Luke Ward, Jr.; and Place 5 – Incumbent Jason Bosley and candidate David Steward.

### Important Election Dates

Thursday, April 4, 2019 is the last day to register to vote in time to cast a ballot in the upcoming School Board and City Council Elections.

**Page 1-A:** Fairfield Puts Hold On Visitor Center Funds article – eighth paragraph, second sentence should read, "...the City would *approve their contract and continue to give 50% of Hotel / Motel Funding to the Chamber.*"

This correction is being made after reading through a copy of the minutes for the September 13, 1988 Regular Session of Fairfield City Council.

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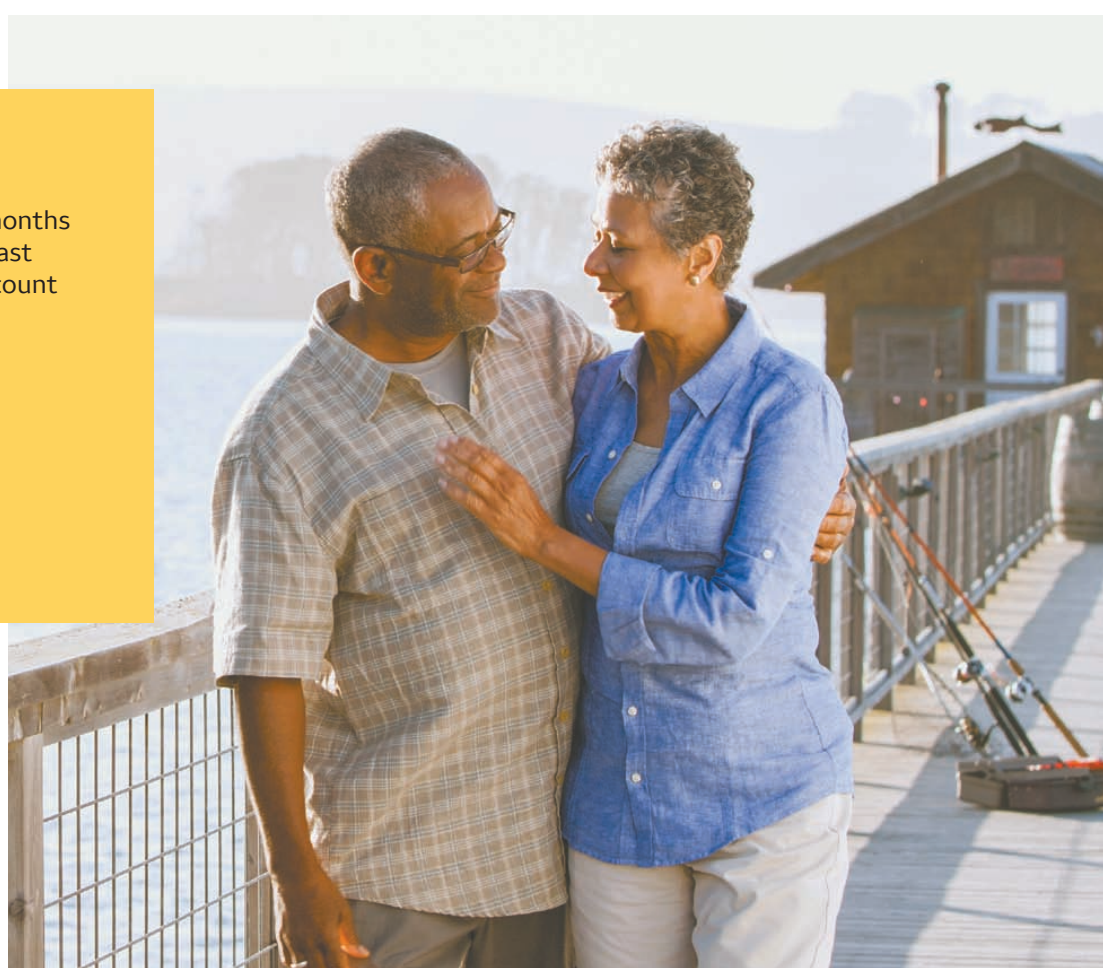
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# Celebrating New Life at Fairfield Church

## Focusing Outward To Community

Wearing a t-shirt that read, "Love Our Fairfield," Andrew Weitner, pastor of New Life Church of Fairfield, welcomed the community during an Open House celebration on Monday, March 18, 2019.

"If we're not doing that," said Weitner, pointing to the words on his shirt, "we are not doing anything."

"We want to be a part of the change in Fairfield," Weitner continued, who spoke of changing lives and hearts.

Pointing out that theirs is the only Protestant church in the surrounding five blocks, located near the fairgrounds, Weitner stated that members of New Life have adopted their neighbors and pray for them "every time we meet."

It is part of their focus to become a church outside the four walls, says Weitner.

There have been physical changes to the church building, as well. The baptismal has been gutted to make room for storage, and the office will be moving upstairs.

"We are in the beginning steps," says Weitner. The church has plans to redo the restrooms to make them handicap compliant, and there are plans to build a ramp at the church's front entrance.

The Weitner family has been a part of New Life Church since November of 2017. Andrew serves as a Hospice Chaplain, and Amber is a teacher at Faith Academy of Fairfield.

New Life Church of the Assemblies of God is located at 641 E. Commerce in Fairfield, Texas. They begin each Sunday with the kids service (adults welcome) at 9:30 a.m. and transition into worship at 10:30 a.m.

Women of the church meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.; the Men on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. The Youth group gets together Sunday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Follow the church on Facebook, or visit them online at [nlcfairfield.org](http://nlcfairfield.org)

A new ministry, Grandparents for Christ, meets at New Life Church on the last Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. This group serves those who are raising their grandchildren. For more information, contact Janis Blackman at 817-718-5186.

The community is invited to join New Life Church on Easter Sunday, April 27th for a special service, Joy Comes in the Morning.

Karen Leidy reporting.



BEGINNING LAST WEEK'S OPEN HOUSE with a Ribbon Cutting by Fairfield Chamber of Commerce is New Life Church pastor, Andrew Weitner, his wife Amber and son Caleb. Joining the celebration are Aaron Pierce, Donna Risner, Sarita Pierce, Janice Blackman, Rayna, Raeleigh, and Charlee; and Chamber members: Gail Farish, Lisa Nichols, Candice Ford, Eli Pratt, Angela and Vance Oglesbee, Ashley DeVillier, and Brenda Pate. (Photo by Karen Leidy)



DONATING A CHECK FOR \$500 to the Freestone Cancer Support Group (FCSG) as a sponsor for the Annual Spring Style Show is Texas Farm Credit of Fairfield. Representing Texas Farm Credit are (l-r) J.P. Clopton - Relationship Manager, Joni Woodall - Loan Administrator, and Lisa Nichols - Senior Loan Administrator. (Not pictured are Branch Manager - Danny Wren and Regional President - Mike Fuller). Representing FCSG are members Diana Lewis, Janet Bulger, and Jeannette Cornett. This year's Style Show is April 9th at The Depot X in Fairfield. Tickets are \$15. (Photo by Nicole Schaefer)

## Family Game Night Friday

Join Fairfield Library for BINGO!

Family Game Night will be held at the Fairfield Library on Friday, March 29th from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

BINGO will be this month's featured game. All materials will be provided.

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## Girls Teams To Nationals Fundraiser Tournament March 29-30

All three Lady Eagles Little Dribblers Teams qualified for the National Tournament, which will be held April 17-20, 2019 in Levelland, Texas. This weekend, a huge fundraiser will be held to assist in travel expenses. Twenty teams are needed for the Fairfield Lady Eagle Lil' Dribbler MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT on March 29 - 30th. First prize will be \$2,000. Entry fee per team is \$250. Tournament will be held at Fairfield High School's south gym. For questions, contact Billy McMillian at 903-879-1260. Good luck to the Juniors, Majors, Seniors teams of Fairfield Girls Little Dribblers!

## Cen-Tex Senior Boys Showcase Hosted by Teague on March 30

Teague High School is hosting the Cen-Tex Senior Boys Showcase, March Mayhem on Saturday, March 30, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the THS basketball gym. Fee to enter is \$35 and includes a jersey. Early registration ends March 25th. Walk-Ins welcome the day of event from 12:00 - 12:30 p.m. Coaches from seven colleges will be in attendance! Teague High School is located at 420 Loop 255 in Teague, Texas. For more information, contact Chris Nickleberry at 903-388-4310, coachnickleberry@icloud.com or Jermaine Lewis at 903-522-3032, jermainelewis5.jl@gmail.com.

## Lion Athlete Signs With Hill College

TEAGUE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR Destanee Roblow signs a letter of intent to attend Hill College and play for the Rebels while her family, coaches, teachers, team mates, and friends look on Wednesday, March 20, 2019. "I definitely believe that between myself, her mom, and the village that raised her she is going to be ready for college and whatever comes her way," said Coach Chris Nickleberry, "The sky is the limit for her!" Pictured with Destanee are her mother LaShonda, grandmother Sylvia, and godfather Andre. (Photo by Megan Hempel)

## Eagle Power House Takes 6th

Senior Jashaughn Hatcher was the sole competitor from Fairfield at the Texas High School Powerlifting Association State Meet held in Abilene, Texas on Saturday, March 23, 2019. Hatcher competed at the State Meet in Division 2. Weighed in at 194.4 pounds, this Eagle athlete lifted in the 198 pound weight class.



Hatcher lifted a total of 1,465 pounds. Results are as follows:  
 --Squat: 550  
 --Bench: 305  
 --Deadlift: 610  
 This earned the Fairfield Senior 6th Place in the State of Texas, only 35 pounds behind the 5th place medal winner. Good job!



GIVING SOME ADVICE while Jashaughn Hatcher as he waits to start competition at the State Meet is Fairfield Athletic Director John Bachtel (photo left). Hatcher (above) completes a deadlift for 610 pounds in his last competition at the High School level. (Photos by Shae Garcia)

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--B Honor Roll: Mason Baillio, Joselyn Banda, Stanley Bellfield, Jake Caro, Easton Driskell, Zoe Dunbar, Ally Farmer, Remi Fitz, Mariah Frazier, Jaxon French, Olivia Imperial, Braylon Jones, Joselyn Limones, Abigail McKinley, Toley Meister, Aubrey Nicholson, Adriana Ojeda, Stanley Petty, Kynleigh Putz, Jaiden Ramirez, Willow Rogers, Emilio Sanchez, Tyson Shed, Hannah Smith, Hector Varela, Kahlan York, and Matthew Zachry.

### 2nd Grade

--A Honor Roll: Brison Barrett, Devin Bonner, Garrett Bosley, Imani Brackens, Luke Coker, Issa Contreras, Kenna Coufal, Charles Dickerson, Grayson Easter, Brynleigh Escobar,

Francisco Espinoza, Travis Flandry, Emiliano Garcia, Asher Getman, Jason Hagen, Cody Haney, Bennett Harrison, Penelope Hernandez, Heath Higgs, Ava Holland, Jett Jeffress, Ma'Kayla Johnson, Peyton Johnson, Mallory Jones, Lane King, Capri Lipinski, Kadience McClendon, Draylan McMillian, Payton Mims, Maggie Moreno, Hunter Morey, Yoel Muñoz, Holt Noland, Aylin Ocampo, Naomi Owen, Benjamin Palacio, Emily Robertson, Elizabeth Salomon, Eli Savage, Lyndal Sumuel, Nolan Thaler, Micah Thurman, Mitchell Turner, Hudson Wendt, Randall Whitaker, Demetrius Wimberly and Addyson York.

--AB Honor Roll: Lidia Adams, Lucas Awalt, Travis Barnes, David Brackens, Nevaeh Brackens, Alexis Brown, Natalie Bryant, Cayden Cobb, Rylee Cook, Heath Emmons, Ka'Mya Faggins, Lilli Fuentes, Lizet Garcia Amaya, Tiana Gibson, Peyton Graham, Ainsley Hall, Zoey Hall, Kylee Henson, Kadrieon Johnson, Amariah Lafon, Ka'ni Lewis, Alexander MacMillian, Savannah Martinez, Payden McElroy, Wyatt Moore, Matthew Morris, Allan Munoz, Kimberly Muñoz Portillo, Izabella Munoz Valenzuela, Cole Redmond, Chrystal Reyes, Dinah Reyes, Ruby Rodriguez, Cayden Rojas, Jaden Rosas, Zyah Salas, Camila Serrato, Kinley Shaw, Grace Stephenson, Bailee Tippen, Miranda Toledo, Zalina Torres, Austin Vaughn, and Haley Zogg.

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### 5th Grade

--A Honor Roll: Nathan Anders, Tristan Brackens, Benjamin Crenshaw, Obie Crook, Mason Edwards, Bethany George, Trinity Glass, Bailey Holland, Sydney Martin, Delaney McGowan, Blake Phillips, Rhett Ralstin, Armand Reyes, Finnston Smith, Briana Thurman, and Gage Wendt.

--A/B Honor Roll: Gustavo Aguilera, Ja'Maria Bass, Rainy Bonds, Jason Brackens, Zackary Bryant, Laiken Carlson, Jose Castaneda, Armando Charles, Dulce Chavez Baez, Samuel Clifton, Mason Copeland, Juan Diaz, Taylor Flandry, Abigail Galvan, Ava Gann, Bella Grecu, Jake Hagen, Caiden Harvell, Leo Johnson, ShaKayla Johnson, Brailey Keeney, Haysten Kent, Aaron Long, Lyndsey Long, Blake Matsche, Michael McNutt, Ricky Milam, Callie Morgan, Matthew Murray, Jazmin Ocampo, Colby Perkins, Jesus Pina, Katlynn Ploch, Erick Rosales, Cynthia Serrato, Nevaeh Serrato, Austin Solis, Christopher Tierrablanca, Jenae Weathered, Samayah Wiley, Justin Williams, and Kaylee Williams.

Brock Harrison, Colton Harvell, Grayson Holcomb, Abigail Hughes, Tracy Johnson, Alyssa Kocher, Stormy Langley, Cooper Lawley, Luke Leatherman, Ruger Long, Brianna McDonald, Zadie McPherson, Bailey Miller, Averi Minze, Kristavia Nelms, Abri Ocampo, Wyatt Perkins, Itzayana Ramirez, Kristy Ramirez, Kalli Richardson, Abigail Rieves, Briseida Rodriguez, Kyler Schick, Aiden Sleziak, Taylor Stidman, Shamari Strawther, Samuel Webb-Rivera, Emma White, Cyniyah Wiley, and Brady Williams.

### 8th Grade

--A Honor Roll: Kolby Adams, Rex Bean, William Bonner, Payton Botelho, McKinna Brackens, Raelynn Cain, Spain Covert, Han Gapi, Ellie Grissett, Emily Leatherman, Samuel Marsters, Haley Moore, Monty Morgan, Cale Myers, Rylee Ralstin, Elizabeth Rath, Jacob Schick, Kara Shoemaker, Kaylee Smith, Chasidy Starr, Jonathan Thomas, and Leslie Vaughn.

--A/B Honor Roll: Braiden Barrett, Jenna Billock, Ryanna Bonner, Wyatt Burts, Claire Carroll, Seth Couture, Britney Delgado, Emma Echols, Camille Eldridge, Violeta Espinoza, Elijah Garcia, Jonathan Garcia, Caleb George, Gabriel Grecu, Sadie Haydon, Christina Hill, Teja Jones, Kaden Lambright, Paisley Lewis, Elijah Martin, Luke Martinez, Dakota Maynes, Nadia McClatchey, Gilbrea McNeil, Dalton McQuinn, Dana Munoz, Logan Noland, Maya Polk, Paige Posey, Dominick Reyes, Carter Richard, Arly Salazar, Audrie Smith, Kaylee Smith, Landyn Steadham, Gunner Thibodeaux, Ava Thompson, Robyn Walker, and Noah Wilson.

## Fairfield Intermediate

### 3rd Grade

--A Honor Roll: Anna Allen, Shaylin Barker, Kloie Chambers, Mariela Espinoza, Aaron Evans, Teniyah Gatson, Solomon Growden, Aiden Hart, Faith King, Owen Lane, Hudson Little, Conner Logan, Ricky Loviette, Madyn Mitchell, Jay Patel, Paisley Robinson, Mariam Rodriguez, Bradley Schick, Mycah Smith, Lauren Sweeney, Jaxon Utley, Hadley Vondra, Claire Waller, Cash Wilson, and Ivy Wren.

--A/B Honor Roll: Beatriz Aleman-Lopez, Haylee Allen, Austin Archibald, Manuel Arriaga, Dallas Baxter, Kyra Betts, Braxton Burns, Brekan Carlson, Braylen Collett, Geovanny Davila Escobedo, Adisyn DeVillier, Slade Dyer, Ava Gallegos, Daley Glass, Nevaeh Green, Garrison Growden, Dafne Haigler, Chance Herren, Jaiden Jefferson, Colten Johnson, Jazz Jordan, Nidhi Kalyanji, Rylie Lindsey, Kenzi McCoslin, Braylan McMillian, Aaryn Morgan, Hadlie Morrison, Landon Morrison, Hillary Munoz, Jackson Murphy, Aaliyah Nash, Davie Pickens, Waylon Pulliam, Fatima Rashid-Jones, Kamryn Ray, Leah Reid, Symone Remington, Trynton Rogers, Ahtziri Rosales, Taylor Solis, Gavin Thaler, Tawny Treece, Khloe VanGuilder, Jazlynn Varela, De'Cadrien Welch, Ayden Williams, Logan Williams, Robert Williams, Kyla Willis, and William Zachry.

### 4th Grade

--A Honor Roll: Juan Aleman-Lopez, Corbin Barlow, Jack Bean, Reese Beaver, Landon Cockerell, Skylar Cook, Anderson Cruce, Allison Grant, Antonio Jauregui, Gracelynn Jones, Kieran King, Adalyn Peterson, Airen Roberts, Jason Salomon, Jason Schick, Addison Shipley, Emmanuel Valles, Amrtpaul Walia, Bryanna Willis, and Yahir Yezpez.

--A/B Honor Roll: Dania Azuara, Heidi Bailes, Hillary Barajas, Daniel Bonner, Kole Brackens, Isabella Campise, Cariss Capps, Caden Carroll, Justin Chavez, Tristen Davis, Tylan Davis, Carson DeWitt, Paige Emmons, Isabella Falkner, Karter Ferguson, Melody Fierro Nava, Logan Freer, Cullen Fryer, Eli Gilbert, Clayton Green, Lindsey Green, Sierra Hall, Denise Hanson, Sarah Henderson, Noah Hoskins, Desrae Kelley, Ryleigh Lane, Arturo Limones, Kacey Luttrell, Ressie Margraves, Zaylan McMillian, Devin McNeil, Sienna Miller, Alizze

## Fairfield Junior High

### 6th Grade

--A Honor Roll: Skylar Bonner, Cole Coufal, Casey Couture, Luke Cruce, Carolyn Dunlap, Adan Espinoza, Mayrin Espinoza, Jenna Haden, Tiffany Jauregui, Benjamin Kilkenny, Rylie Longer, Lydia Morgan, Madelyn Morrison, Jimilyah Nash, Michael Nelson, Stormy Oliver, Kynzee Payne, Connor Petty, Elizabeth Pillans, Lillian Poole, Addison Posey, RaeAnne Rossiaky, Jesse Schick, Preston Scott, Austin Smith, and Briana Wall.

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### 7th Grade

--A Honor Roll: Riley Antley, Dionicio Azuara, Landry Bayless, Lily Beaver, River Bonds, William Bonner, Charlee Brackens, Alexis Brown, Linsey Cockerell, Addisyn Cox, Kayden Dallas, Jaci Eppes, Madysen Farris, Rowdy Hand, Allie Hughes, Eashan Kalyanji, Emily Kent, Bradley Mabry, Madox Mitchell, Chance Noland, Avie Robinson, La'Zariah Robinson, Emma Smith, Avery Thaler, Peyton Turner, and Jake White.

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## Fairfield High School

### 9th Grade

--Super Eagle Honor Roll: Mercedes Arriaga, Nathan Dunlap, Jeremy Kilkenny, Rachel Lewis, Valeria Ramirez, Rachel Reyes, Ally Robinson, Jaysa Smith, Joy Stachmus, MaKayla Van, MaKenzie Van, Carson Whiteside and Yodira Yezpez-Alvarado.

--Eagle Honor Roll: Josie Draper, Ava Grecu, Mattie Hagen, Makensy Isaacs, Preston Patrick, Nicolas Salazar, Alyson Sanchez, and Luc Tran.

--Honor Roll: Cabe Collett, Breyunna Dowell, Chelsie Faughn, Carl Markham, Leon Rosales, Samantha Ruiz, and Mason Wright.

### 10th Grade

--Super Eagle Honor Roll: Dane Allman, Diana Castaneda, Emily Chavers, Carsyn Cox, Kendall Crawford, Jacob Espinoza, Landen Espinoza, Harley Gomez, Harli Hunt, Zach Leadbetter, Erica McQuinn, Frankie Nelson, Avery Peterson, Zachary Phillips, Erivan Salazar-Molina, Noe Soto, Harpreet Walia, Rileigh White, and Aynsilia Whiteside.

--Eagle Honor Roll: Maria Sara Feregrino, Maria Fierro-Nava, Madysen Gordon, Carson Moore, Uriana Ramirez, Ashley Rodriguez, Laniyah Steadham, and Callie Wilkes.

--Honor Roll: Kaylee Billock, Chloe Bonner, Nayeli Campos, Abigail Coleman, Hayden Hale, Sheyla Hidalgo, Hunter Noland, Jennifer Pina, Edward Sanchez, Te'Yalla Simpson, Madison Thaler, and Camii Wilson.

### 11th Grade

--Super Eagle Honor Roll: Kody Beene, Klay Bonner, Braden Bossier, Garrett Brown, Tylie Bruce, Abbie Cunningham, Rebecca Dunlap, Nereyda Espinoza, Connor Jackson, Devin Johnson, Kailee Marchand, Merrienne Markham, Erin Rachel, David Thomas, Lex Thompson, Andrew Williams and Lyndi Wilson.

--Eagle Honor Roll: Justin Abram, Naydelin Espinoza-Molina, Joyce Ferguson, Tyler Haynes, Payton Hughes, Belle Johnson, Bailey Mills,

-Honor Rolls-  
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RECEIVING THE HONORABLE CHARACTER AWARD at Faith Academy – Fairfield is Zechariah Smith and Lily Steward, congratulated by Teacher Kayla Lupo and Administrator Jessica Henderson. The school is currently enrolling for the 2019-2020 school year for 2nd through 7th grades.



IT'S THE A HONOR ROLL FOR STUDENTS of Faith Academy – Fairfield, congratulated by teachers, Kayla Lupo (left) and Administrator Jessica Henderson (right). Making all A's for the school's second trimester include Evan Rikard-3rd grade, Lily Steward-4th grade, and Ashlynn Erwin-3rd grade.



MAKING THE A/B HONOR ROLL AT FAITH ACADEMY – Fairfield (FAF) are (left-right, back-front): Teacher – Kayla Lupo, Zechariah Smith-5th grade, Logan Smith-4th grade, Brianna Myers-6th grade, Laura Lindsey-5th grade, Administrator – Jessica Henderson, Deris Talbert-3rd grade, and Wyatt Steward-3rd grade. (Submitted Photos)

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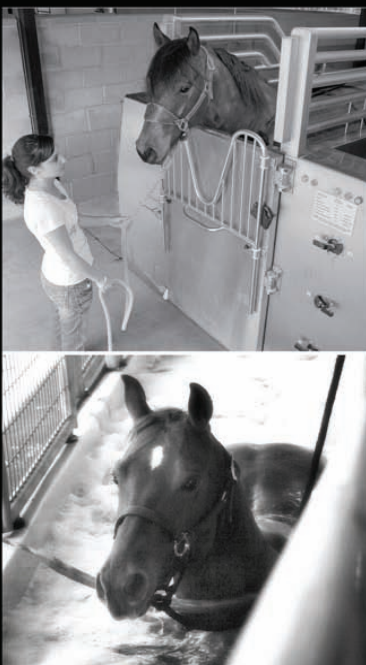
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**Students Gather to Pray For Fairfield Athlete**

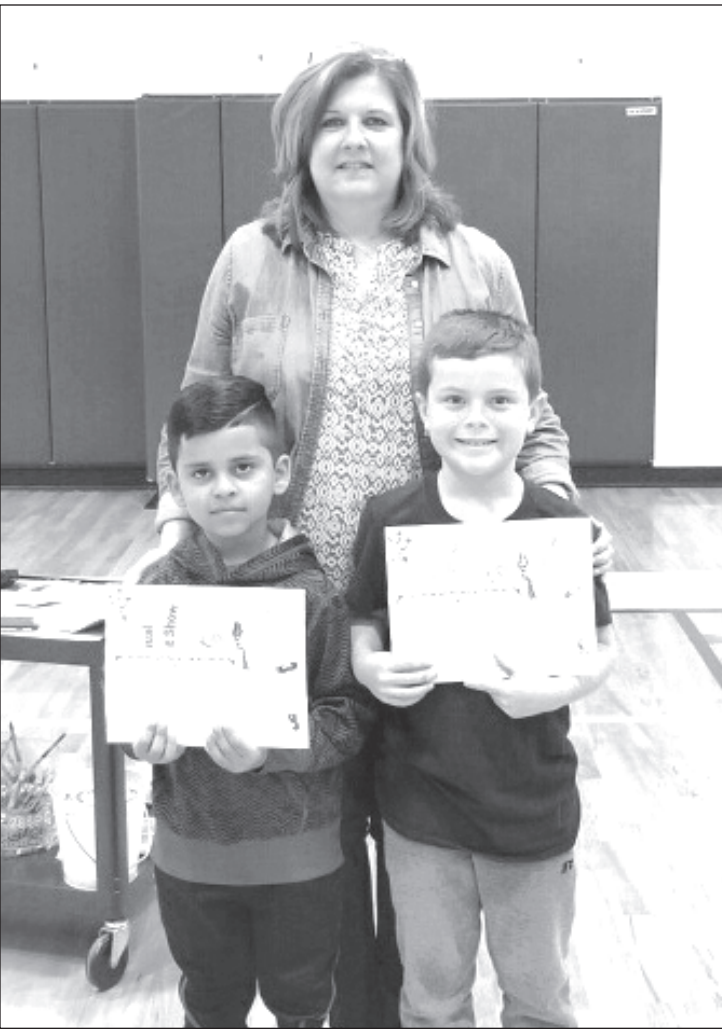
FELLOW STUDENTS, TEACHERS and members of the community came together on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 on the courthouse square in Fairfield, Texas to pray for Kobe Freeman. The Fairfield High School athlete has been battling an infection that landed him at Children's Medical Hospital. In a recent social media post, his mother states that Kobe has read all his cards and thanked everyone for their prayers. "He knows he has a long road to recovery ahead of him, but he is in good spirits and ready for whatever comes his way," she said. (Photo courtesy of Eagle Productions)

**Freestone Classic Set May 18**

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 Breakfast and drinks only will be available in the concessions. Proceeds will benefit Freestone County 4-H Clubs.

**--Heifers**  
 Check In is 8:00-9:00 a.m.  
 3 Divisions: American, British, and Exotic  
 No heifers older than 30 months  
 Entry Fee is \$20  
 Judge: To Be Announced  
 Heifer Jackpot Showmanship at 9:30 a.m. with Heifer Show to follow  
 Showmanship is \$1 at the Gate

**--Steers**  
 Check In is 8:00-9:00 a.m.  
 3 Divisions: American, British, and Exotic  
 Classify and weigh your own  
 Entry Fee is \$20  
 Judge: To Be Announced  
 Steer Show will start immediately following Heifer Show with Steer Jackpot Showmanship to follow  
 Showmanship is \$1 at the Gate  
 For more information, contact the Freestone County AgriLife Extension at 903-389-3436.



THE FAIRFIELD ROTARY CLUB ANNOUNCES WINNERS of the 2nd Grade Coloring Contest to promote the 45th Annual Talent Show. First Place is Yoel Munoz, winning \$35; Third Place winner is Bennett Harrison, awarded \$10. Not pictured is Second Place winner, Ma'Kayla Johnson who received \$15. Presenting the awards is Rotarian, Angela Oglesbee. The Talent Show is set for Friday, April 5th, 7:00 p.m., in the FHS Auditorium. (Submitted Photo)

**City Officials Take A Pie For Boy Scouts Fundraiser April 20**

Fairfield Boy Scouts Pack #668 is hosting a Pie Our City Officials fundraiser during this year's Easter Eggstravaganza on the Square in Fairfield on Saturday, April 20, 2019.  
 The pack will be raffling off five (5) pies per official. Chances to win are \$5 each.

Officials participating include: Mayor Kenny Hughes, Police Chief David Utsey, Fire Chief Matt Foree, Sheriff Jeremy Shipley, State Trooper MacMillan, and Officer Weldon Alexander.  
 Get your tickets by calling 903-388-9883 or stop by Fairfield City Hall.

**Easter Egg Hunt April 13 in Wortham**

Wortham Chamber of Commerce is hosting an Easter Egg Hunt in celebration of the holiday. The event will take place at the Memorial Park (behind the Methodist Church) in Wortham on Saturday, April 13, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.  
 Bring your Easter basket to fill with lots of goodies and have your picture taken with the Easter Bunny!!

**Top Sellers Named At Dew**

**Annual Spring Flower Basket Fundraiser**

Dew Elementary sold a total of 718 flower baskets for their Spring Fundraiser.  
 The top sellers were:  
 --1st place: Caden Sifford- 47 baskets  
 --2nd place: Savannah Fulmer- 34 baskets  
 --3rd place: Maddie Kilgore- 33 baskets  
 --4th place: Kaselynn Brooke- 29 baskets  
 --5th place: (tie) Rylan Byrd & Avery Thompson- 27 baskets  
 We want to thank our community for their support of Dew ISD.



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# Fairfield Competes In Lorena Relays

-Honor Rolls-  
Continued from 3-A



DURING THE LORENA RELAYS on March 21st, Ashlyn Partain (photo left) runs the 1600m race. **WINNING THE VARSITY 4 X 4 RELAY** is (middle photo), in the order they ran, Morgan Coleman, Ava Grecu, Iesha Jenkins, and Carsyn Cox. **TAKING A BREATH** after running the 4 x 4 relay is Fairfield Eagle Ty Bachtel (photo right). Photos courtesy of Shae Garcia.



Grecia Munoz, Marge Savage, Christopher Scott, and Logan Todd.  
**--Honor Roll:** Rheagan Cotton, Reagan Emmons, Daeja Harris, Bryce Harrison, Jaylin Hughes, Breanna Pilgreen, Crystal Charity Starr, and Trista Thornbrough.  
**12th Grade**  
**--Super Eagle Honor Roll:** Molly Allred, Afmandigo Aqilalwan, Ty Bachtel, Kathryn Bogle, Alexandra Castaneda, Edith Cockerell, Morgan Coleman, Jackson Ezell, Ashlyn Garcia, Jordan Gibson, McClinton Jones, Ashlyn Partain, Kailyn Partain, Suhaniben Patel, Melanie Pina, Blake Posey, Michelle Rosales, Aaryn Scires, and Anna Kay Williams.  
**--Eagle Honor Roll:** Daniela Herrera, Kyleigh Hudson, Russell Hughes, Jasmine Jones, Brianna Lamb, Josey Richardson, Samantha Roberson, Clifford Smith, and Roy Valentin.  
**--Honor Roll:** Andre Carter, Jashuagh Hatcher, Kyleigh Iesha Jenkins, Jaise Oliver, John Rose, and Jordan Zamora.



## Have Lunch & Learn Something New

Cyber Security and the art of Aging Gracefully will be presented this Thursday, March 29th at the Lunch & Learn workshop in Fairfield, Texas.

First, Call 4 Computers will share information about the increase of scams, the importance of backing up data, and using strong passwords to maintain your security online.

Then, Lott Physical Therapy & Fitness Center will talk about what you can do NOW to THRIVE during your Golden Years. They address pain issues, and exercises to maintain balance and strength.

Join the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce for a FREE lunch and learn about these need-to-know topics.

Lunch & Learn will be held at the La Quinta Inn & Suites Conference Room beginning at 11:45 a.m. on Friday, March 29, 2019.

For more information, or to R.S.V.P., contact the Chamber at 903-389-5792.

Lunch & Learn is presented by the City of Fairfield and the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce.



## Fifth Sunday Sing at Lakeside

Lakeside Methodist Church's Fifth Sunday Sing event will be held on Sunday, March 31st beginning at 6:15 p.m.

Harmonica wizard, Dan Woods, and multi-instrumentalist, Jeff Harrison, will perform an hour-long concert of feel-good music.

No admission fee, simply bring an item or two for our food bank ministry.

Light refreshments will be served after the concert.

The church is located at 515 FM 416, about one block west of the Shell station on FM 416.

Everyone is invited to attend.

## Get Your Tickets!

### Teague Chamber Banquet April 11

Teague Chamber of Commerce's Annual Awards Banquet will be Thursday, April 11, 2019 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Teague Community Center.

Tickets are \$20 per person and may be purchased at Pharmacy Plus.

Live entertainment will be provided by Miss Texas - Madison Fuller and the

Award Winning Teague High School Mariachi Band.

Dinner will be catered by Lirio De Los Valles Church.

There will be a silent auction, raffle giveaway, and much more!

For more information, contact Debbie Sanoja at 903-388-8603, Rhonda James at 903-388-3839, or Brittany Brown at 903-915-0542.



## Community Tours New Business In Fairfield

CELEBRATING THE OPENING of their new location are members of Enforcer Educational Services (l-r) Chad Steely, Kasey Allen, Tara Feltgen, J.D. Feltgen, and Kristin Pinkerton. The business held an Open House to welcome guests and give a tour of the facility on Friday evening, March 22, 2019. (Courtesy Photo)

## Wortham Citywide Garage Sale Set For April 27

The City of Wortham's annual Citywide Garage Sale will be held Saturday, April 27, 2019.

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## NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2009, a certain Adjustable Rate Home Equity Conversion Deed of Trust ("Reverse Mortgage") was executed by ROBERT WAYNE WILLIAMS, as mortgagor in favor of ONE REVERSE MORTGAGE, LLC, as mortgagee and G. TOMMY BASTIAN, as trustee, and was recorded on December 15, 2009 under Clerk's Instrument Number 00906177, Book 1502, Page 877 in the real property records of Freestone, Texas.

WHEREAS, the Reverse Mortgage was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (the "Secretary") pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing; and

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest in the Reverse Mortgage is now owned by the Secretary, pursuant to an assignment dated March 10, 2017, and recorded on March 30, 2017, under Book 1714, Page 248 in the real property records of Freestone County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Reverse Mortgage in that the Mortgagors are now deceased; and

WHEREAS, the entire amount delinquent as of April 2, 2019 is \$155,730.42; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of the default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Reverse Mortgage to be immediately due and payable;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the Secretary's designation of me as Foreclosure Commissioner, recorded on October 15, 2007 in Dallas County under Clerk's File Number 20070369306, notice is hereby given that on April 2, 2019, at 10:00 AM local time or no later than three hours thereafter, all real and personal property at or used in connection with the following described premises ("Property") will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder:

SEE EXHIBIT "A"

## EXHIBIT A

ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, BEING A PART OF THE SIMON SANCHEZ LEAGUE, ABSTRACT NO. 32, FREESTONE COUNTY, TEXAS, ALSO BEING A PART OF THAT CERTAIN CALLED 27.278 ACRE TRACT DESCRIBED IN A CONTRACT OF SALE AND PURCHASE FROM VETERANS LAND BOARD OF THE STATE OF TEXAS TO ROBERT WAYNE WILLIAMS, DATED AUGUST 13, 1980, AND RECORDED IN VOLUME 569, PAGE 137 OF THE DEED RECORDS OF FREESTONE COUNTY, TEXAS, AND BEING MORE COMPLETELY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT: BEGINNING AT A 1/2 INCH IRON ROD SET FOR CORNER IN THE SOUTHWEST LINE OF A CALLED 60.00 FOOT EASEMENT (PRIVATE ROAD NO. 322) DESCRIBED IN VOLUME 569, PAGE 137 OF THE DEED RECORDS OF FREESTONE COUNTY, TEXAS, FROM WHICH THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED 27.278 ACRE TRACT BEARS N 20° 07' 56" W - 178.84 FEET, FOUND A 1/2 INCH IRON ROD BEARING S 60° 12' 39" W - 30.00 FEET FROM SAID NORTHEAST CORNER. THENCE S. 29° 47' 21" E WITH THE SOUTHWEST LINE OF SAID 60.00 FOOT EASEMENT A DISTANCE OF 60.01 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH IRON ROD SET FOR CORNER. THENCE S. 59° 14' 21" W A DISTANCE OF 149.15 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH IRON ROD SET FOR CORNER. THENCE S. 30° 45' 39" E A DISTANCE OF 96.71 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH IRON ROD SET FOR CORNER. THENCE S. 59° 14' 32" W A DISTANCE OF 215.89 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH IRON ROD SET FOR CORNER. THENCE N. 34° 15' 04" W A DISTANCE OF 157.00 FEET TO A 1/2 INCH IRON ROD SET FOR CORNER. THENCE N. 59° 14' 21" E, PARTLY WITH A FENCE, A DISTANCE OF 375.61 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 1.00 ACRE OF LAND.

Commonly known as: 155 PR 322, OAKWOOD, TX 75855.

The sale will be held at the Freestone County Courthouse, Texas at the following location: THE FRONT STEPS OF THE COURTHOUSE (SOUTH ENTRANCE) OR AS DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE or as designated by the County Commissioners Court.

The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development will bid \$155,730.42.

There will be no proration of taxes, rents or other income or liabilities, except that the purchaser will pay, at or before closing, his prorated share of any real estate taxes that have been paid by the Secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale.

When making their bids, all bidders except the Secretary must submit a deposit totaling \$15,573.04 in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made out to the Secretary of HUD. A deposit need not accompany each oral bid. If the successful bid is oral, a deposit of \$15,573.04 must be presented before the bidding is closed. The deposit is nonrefundable. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within 30 days of the sale or at such other time as the Secretary may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount, like the bid deposits, must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check. If the Secretary is the highest bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveying fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery date of the remainder of the payment and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale, the deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them.

The Secretary may grant an extension of time within which to deliver the remainder of the payment. All extensions will be for 15-day increments for a fee of \$500.00, paid in advance. The extension fee shall be in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount due.

If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extension of time granted by the Secretary, the high bidder may be required to forfeit the cash deposit or, at the election of the foreclosure commissioner after consultation with the HUD representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The Commissioner may, at the direction of the HUD representative, offer the property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder.

There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgagor or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant.

The scheduled foreclosure sale shall be cancelled or adjourned if it is established, by documented written application of the mortgagor to the Foreclosure Commissioner not less than 3 days before the date of sale, or otherwise, that the default or defaults upon which the foreclosure is based did not exist at the time of service of this notice of default and foreclosure sale, or all amounts due under the mortgage agreement are tendered to the Foreclosure Commissioner, in the form of a certified or cashier's check payable to the Secretary of HUD, before public auction of the property is completed.

The amount that must be paid if the mortgage is to be paid in full prior the scheduled sale is \$155,730.42, plus all other amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if payments under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs and postage expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting notices and for the Foreclosure Commissioner's attendance at the sale, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien record searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner for recording documents, a commission for the Foreclosure Commissioner, and all other costs incurred in connection with the foreclosure prior to reinstatement.

Tender of payment by certified or cashier's check or application for cancellation of the foreclosure sale shall be submitted to the address of the Foreclosure Commissioner provided below.

Date: March 4, 2019

L. Keller Mackie  
Foreclosure Commissioner  
Mackie Wolf Zientz & Mann, P.C.  
Parkway Office Center, Suite 900  
14160 North Dallas Parkway  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Dan Scott, you have 30 days to contact Bobby Brown, owner of Homeplace RV, at 903-391-3588. Your RV has been declared abandoned. You must pay the agreed storage fees, plus late fees, before removing RV.

STATE OF TEXAS  
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IN COUNTY COURT  
FREESTONE COUNTY, TEXAS

IN THE ESTATE OF FRANKIE MAE BURNS  
PR 8688

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

To all persons interested in the Estate of FRANKIE MAE BURNS:

On 3/13/2019, MAVERICK BURNS filed an Application for Letters of Independent Administration and Declare Heirship in Cause No. PR 8688 in the COUNTY COURT of Freestone County, Texas.

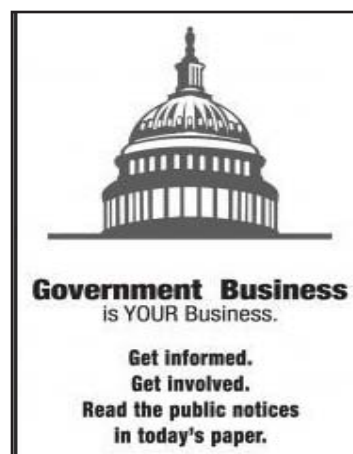
Said Application for Letters of Independent Administration and Declare Heirship may be heard and acted upon by said court on the first Monday next after the expiration on ten days from the date of publication of this citation.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said court by filing a written answer contesting said should they desire to do so.

Given under my hand and seal of office in Freestone County, Texas, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2019.

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By: *Linda Jarvis*  
Deputy

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Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

Rule 37 Case No. 0318748  
Status/Permit No. 850818

CORRECTED  
NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the XTO ENERGY INC., [RRC Operator No. 945936] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit. Applicant also seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement because the location is less than the required Rule 37 distance to an external lease line for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. , Bk. , CABLER, F P Survey, A-114, TEAGUE (CV-BOSSIER CONS.) Field, FREESTONE County, being 2.7 miles SW direction from FAIRFIELD, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protester should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

**IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Apr 23, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.**

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: TEAGUE (CV-BOSSIER CONS.)

Lease/Unit Name : DUNLAP II-STARK ALLOCATION  
Lease/Unit Well No. : 4H  
Lease/Unit Acres : 1122.44  
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0  
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 599.0

Lease Lines : 1199.0 F S L, 2082.0 F E L  
Survey Lines : 1910.0 F N L, 2082.0 F E L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1  
Penetration Point Location  
Lease Lines: 50.0 F S L, 1475.0 F E L  
Terminus Location  
BH County: FREESTONE  
Section: Block: Abstract: 23  
Survey: REED, I H  
Lease Lines: 2331.0 F N L, 395.0 F E L  
Survey Lines: 2140.0 F S L, 2880.0 F E L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

TEAGUE (CV-BOSSIER CONS.) :

GAS Special Rules 330/0, 640.0 acres.  
GAS Optional Rules 330/0, 20.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 14000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Joanna Bass, at (903)5797731.

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## March Business Spotlight: Community National Bank & Trust of Fairfield

Named as Fairfield Chamber of Commerce's Business of the Month for March 2019 is Community National Bank & Trust (CNB&T).

Their history in Freestone County traces back more than 100 years.

The Fairfield branch continues to serve the community from the same location where it has been for over 46 years.

The business has locations in Corsicana, Fairfield, Buffalo, Centerville, Richland Chambers, Frost, Red Oak, Lake Worth, White Settlement, Burleson, Weatherford, Possum Kingdom and a new branch soon to be open in Waxahachie.

CNB&T offers all types of banking services from online and mobile banking, cash management for businesses, trust & investment services, consumer loans, commercial loans, home loans and more.

They support many civic, service, youth and other non-profit organizations in Fairfield and throughout Freestone County through donations and employee participation.

Community is not just in the name, it is how they choose to do business. Their employees are knowledgeable, experienced, and ready to help with any banking needs.

"I am proud of our bank team and appreciate the hard work they do," says Jason Hullum - Senior Vice President and Regional Manager. "We also appreciate the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce for selecting CNB&T as business of the month."

The bank is located at 101 North Mount Street in Fairfield. They may be reached by calling 903-389-0512, or visit them online at www.mybanktx.com.



SELECTED AS THE MARCH Business of the Month for the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce is Community National Bank of Fairfield. Celebrating are, (back row left to right:)) Cheri Wilson, Jason Hullum - Sr. Vice President, Tammy Moore, Muriel Morton, Gena Robinson, Kalli McCall, and Teresa Duke - Vice President; and (front row left to right) Gayle Dean, Shari Dickens, Denise Holmes, and Diana Duke. (Photo by Nicole Schaefer)

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## -HELP WANTED-

### HELP WANTED

#### Cooper Farms Roadside Peach Stand

Outdoor sales associate for summer season  
**MUST WORK WEEKENDS!! Must have driver's license Competitive pay**

Apply at Cooper Farms Country Store or call 903-390-0404



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Assistant Business Office Manager  
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### HELP WANTED

#### Cooper Farms Country Store

Indoor sales associate for summer season  
**Competitive pay**

Apply at Cooper Farms Country Store

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DALE SWINBURN  
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# REAL ESTATE

## -HOMES FOR SALE-

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## -LAND FOR SALE-

### LAND FOR SALE



Approx. 4 Acres on West Hwy 84 in Fairfield with Electric, Water and Sewer

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1B or 2B Apartment: water, sewer, trash paid, \$500/\$600/month. Central air and heat, washer/dryer hookups, no pets. Call 903-389-3109

### HELP WANTED

#### Cooper Farms Farm Position

Seasonal peach picker/farm laborer  
Monday-Saturday, 60 hours/week

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### Plants Offered by Fairfield Students

Hosting a Farmers Market is Fairfield High School's Horticulture class starting this week. If you are in need of plants, stop by the FHS Greenhouse after school hours on Tuesdays, Wednesday, and Thursdays from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. The Farmers Market will be open from March 26th through May 18th, or until they are out of items.

Members of the Horticulture class will also be at the Fairfield Festival on the square on Saturday, April 20th.

Plants will be ready to be transferred into the ground to grow vegetables, herbs, flowers and succulents.

Available will be two types of hanging baskets, each costing \$10.

Other plants, costing \$2 each, include three different types of flowers, white onion, green bell peppers, jalapeno peppers, lettuce, beefsteak tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, basil, cilantro, parsley, oregano, lavender and succulents.