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KC graduation goes virtual 14 grads from Gladewater area

Kilgore College's fall graduation ceremony will be held Friday, Dec. 11, and is limited to graduates on in the auditorium due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Family and friends of the graduates may watch a livestream of the ceremony online at 5 p.m. on the KC YouTube page. Anyone who is interested may access and view the event.

"After extensive consultation with local and state health officials, and for the safety of everyone involved, we have made the decision to celebrate the December commencement virtually with only graduates in the auditorium," KC Registrar Dennis Cliborn. "While we are disappointed that circumstances surrounding the pandemic have interfered with our plans for an in-person ceremony, it is very important to us to have a meaningful graduation ceremony to celebrate our students."

Gladewater graduates include: Kolby Baker, Jamil Bibb, Eric Faulkner, Ashley Garcia, Carrie Lewis, Elizabeth Maloney, Breanna McAlister, Quiah Moore, Brittani Nickleberry, Justin Simmons, David Sorrells, Marissa Vasquez, Emilee Whatley and Dustin Williamson.



Judd named Yam Queen

Union Grove High School senior Carleigh Judd has been named the 82nd Yamboree Queen. Joining her in celebration of the achievement are her brother Cade Judd, father Mike Judd, (Carleigh), mother Carrie Judd and grandmother Sue Stebbins. The pageant will be held March 6-7. The participants will follow all pandemic protocols during the race as well as the pageant.

Man given probation for heroin possession

By Phillip Williams

Upshur County District Attorney Billy Byrd's office in Gilmer on Monday announced numerous felony and misdemeanor sentences assessed by 115th District Judge Dean Fowler in recent months.

All defendants pleaded guilty, or in cases in which probation was revoked, admitted violating probation, the office reported. The announcement of the actions, some of which occurred as long ago as July, was delayed due to computer problems, said a spokeswoman for Byrd's office.

Details of the felony cases involving guilty pleas were as follows, the office reported:

Jonathan Christian Kossa, 35, of Gladewater, was placed on three years "deferred adjudication" probation Oct. 13 for possession of heroin--at least four, but less than 200 grams, on Aug. 14.

Joe Eugene McClenan, 57, of Gladewater, drew 15 months in state jail Oct. 20 for unauthorized use of a vehicle on Nov. 22, 2016.

Skylar Shane Bunn, 22, of White Oak, received four years in prison July 1 for evading arrest/detention with vehicle on March 26, 2018. Charles Arty Miller Jr., 33, of Gilmer, drew 25 years in prison July 1 for burglary of habitation--repeat offender on Nov. 26, 2019.

Crystal Nicole Westmoreland, 32, of Gilmer, received five years in

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UCSO makes multiple drug-related arrests

By Phillip Williams

The Special Investigations Unit of the Upshur County Sheriff's Office arrested 13 individuals on various charges, many of them drug-related, during September and October, Sheriff Larry Webb said Monday.

Webb said he did not yet have information on the unit's November activities.

During September and October,

he said, the SIU also handled several other cases in which charges were filed with District Attorney Billy Byrd's office, but the individuals were not immediately arrested to avoid the risk of spreading COVID-19 in the county jail.

In those cases, which generally involved minor drug-related offenses, the suspects were not considered flight risks nor drug

dealers, and will appear in court when warrants are issued for their arrests, Webb said.

In felony cases, arrests were generally made on a "case-by-case basis," depending on the circumstances of the situation, and charges were also filed with Byrd's office in those cases, the sheriff added.

Based on information from sheriff's Lt. Gary Shirley, Webb

provided these details of cases involving arrests, and said all suspects listed were lodged in the Upshur County Jail in Gilmer:

While conducting surveillance Sept. 8 at the Outpost game room at the intersection of Texas 300 and FM 1844 in East Mountain, the unit stopped a vehicle, resulting in two Tatum residents' arrests and the seizure of methamphetamine and prescription drugs.

William Lanus, 37, and Stephanie Williams, 31, were charged with possession of controlled substance--more than one, but less than four grams of methamphetamine--and misdemeanor possession of dangerous (prescription) drugs.

On Sept. 15, while conducting drug interdiction at the Lucky 7 game room at the intersection of U.S. 271 and Silk Tree Road in West Mountain, the unit stopped a vehicle at 271 and Union Grove Road, resulting in a Longview man's arrest and seizure of more

than two ounces of marijuana and \$3,000 cash.

Jordan Whitaker, 24, was charged with delivery of marijuana of more than 1/4 ounce, but less than five pounds.

On Sept. 29, after receiving a tip that someone involved in drug trafficking was riding a motorcycle in the Union Grove vicinity, the unit found the suspect riding a bike which fit the description of the suspect and motorcycle. As the SIU attempted to stop the man, 35-year-old Jacob Cole Johnson of Gilmer, it observed him throw something out in front of the Union Grove High School football stadium on U.S. 271 before he stopped at the intersection of 271 and Woodpecker Road.

Johnson was charged with possession of a controlled substance and tampering with physical evidence, both felonies, as officers found what he discarded. The report did not

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USMC Toys For Tots 2020

By Col. Jim Jones, USMC ret.

On Dec. 19 the local Marine Corps League Detachment 959, will distribute toys to over 500 kids from 180 plus families.

The sign-up for the recipients of this endeavor was in October. Volunteers from our unit were in our headquarters accepting applicants from the surrounding area. Mostly mothers, some grandmothers, and fathers came in with picture IDs and the birth certificates of the children and register them. The children's ages, sex, etc. are recorded along with some ideas of what the child's interests are. At that point the work begins, more volunteers take this information and start the laborious task of filling hundreds of plastic bags with toys. Each bag is numbered, identified, and stacked in our hall. Some of the stalwarts of this task are Leon and Patricia Watson of Gladewater. There are others but these two have never missed a year in this task in decades. Most of our detachment take part in it to some degree but this couple and another, Jerry and Laverne Crutcher of Longview are in charge. These



The USMC Toys for Tots volunteers Sally Donnert, Patricia Watson and Laverne Crutcher along with Santa Claus (Tom Hearrell) have worked hard to ensure that no children go without gifts under the tree this year.

Courtesy Photo

two couples diligently do the bulk of the labor along with others. The rest of us assist in putting out collection boxes, moving sacks, stocking shelves, etc. A platoon of us will be distributing the toys in mid December.

This activity is echoed throughout our nation. How did this begin? In 1947 Diane, the wife of Major Bill Hendricks, a Marine reservist in Los Angeles, had a dozen handmade dolls that she asked him to take to an organization for the less privileged. When he found no such program, she told him, "Start one . . . Create one." The major

got his reserve unit involved and that first year, they gave out over 5,000 toys. The Commandant of the Marine Corps learned of this and made it a Marine directive in 1948 after seeing the groundswell of support it received. Thus was born the national Toys for Tots Program. Major Hendricks was the head of public relations for Warner Brothers at the time and many of the celebrities he knew came onboard. Indeed one was Walt Disney who created the Toys for Tots first poster. He also designed the three car train that is the Toys for Tots logo today.

This year an average of

18,000,000 toys will be given out to nearly 7,000,000 kids. All this because Marines, known for winning our nation's battles, are also known for their peacekeeping abilities. What is more conducive to that than giving Christmas to those who would otherwise not know one? This Christmas season in Longview a small group of Marines will carry out the tradition which began 73 years ago. You can do your part. When you see a Toys for Tots toy box, put a toy in it or donate money to buy them. One never knows the difference a small token of love and caring may make.



The Gladewater Mirror reader who submitted the huge pothole at Hampton and Woodbine streets also submitted a photo of the fixed pothole expressing his appreciation to city workers and the Gladewater Mirror for the fix.

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Matthew Bower (Sr) Utility Player of the Year



Chase Mead (Sr) - QB 1st Team All-District

UG Lions make All-District

The 9-AA Div I All District MVP was Beckville's Junior QB Ryan Harris, With Co-Offensive MVPs coming from Frankston and Hawkins - Senior QB Brink Bizzell and Senior QB Zach Conde.

The Defensive MVP this year is Hawkins' Sophomore Linebacker Braden Adams. Newcomer of the Year was Beckville's Freshman Runningback J'koby Williams. Special Teams Player of the Year was Carlisle's Junior kicker Aaron Gallegos and Coach Of The Year was Hawkins' Scott Evans.

Also Making The All-District Team From Union Grove were: Blake Moore (So) - Linebacker 2nd Team All-District, and Honorable Mention Lions were - Josh Rhodes DL Sr., Adam Hanson, DB Jr., Cooper Vestal, DB Soph., Connor Ellis, OL Sr., Ian Vieira OL, Soph., Kenneh Johnson, OL Sr. And Josh Baker,, OL Soph.



Grayson Barnett (Sr) Defensive Back 1st Team All-District



Cannon Cowan (Sr) Linebacker 2nd Team All-District

OPINION/EDITORIAL

Texas to get 1.4M COVID vaccine doses

Chris Cobler
Capital Highlights



Texas is ready to distribute 1.4 million doses as soon as the COVID-19 vaccine receives federal government approval.

Gov. Greg Abbott said the vaccines should be arriving the week of Dec. 14 and would be distributed to qualifying providers. Health care workers are the first in line to receive the medication, which needs to be given in two shots. Also first in line are residents of long-term living care centers, the Texas Department of Health Services announced.

Texas' population is about 29 million, so the line is long. The state agency also announced the list of 109 hospitals in 34 of Texas' 254 counties that will receive the first doses.

"The State of Texas is already prepared for the arrival of a COVID-19 vaccine and will swiftly distribute these vaccines to Texans who voluntarily choose to be immunized," Abbott stated. "As we await the first shipment of these vaccines, we will work with communities to mitigate the spread of COVID-19."

Electors set to vote

Texas presidential electors will convene Dec. 14 to officially cast their votes.

The ceremony will start at 2 p.m. in the gallery of the House chamber in the State Capitol. The Texas election code calls for electors to meet on the first Monday after the second Wednesday of December.

Texas Secretary of State Ruth Hughs congratulated

the governor, election workers and the voters for their efforts with this year's elections.

"Despite the challenges presented by COVID-19, this election was a resounding success, and turnout among registered voters was the highest in 28 years as Texans exercised their right to vote," Hughs stated.

Workers comp challenges

The COVID-19 pandemic has created new challenges for the Texas workers' compensation system, the state agency said in its biennial report to the Legislature.

During the pandemic, Gov. Abbott waived certain statutory requirements that affected COVID-19 workers' compensation claims. The Legislature is expected to consider whether to extend those exemptions, particularly for first responders and essential workers.

"Some argue that these requirements should be permanently waived in situations involving a public health emergency, while others are concerned about the cost impact to governmental entities if this defense is waived," the report stated.

During the pandemic, some insurance carriers have investigated COVID-19 claims involving firefighters, EMTs and peace officers. Forty-one percent of claims were denied for a variety of reasons, including whether a "statistically positive correlation with work" exists.

Gift of love...

Ho! Ho! Ho!

When the happy genes were given out I was blessed to receive a bushel of those grinning little suckers. I need to thank the story telling, laughing through tears side of my family for that gift. I relish my always filling cup that I seem to have inherited. Seldom do I get thirsty for joy.

I especially love this joyous time of year. Lean in and I will tell you my secret. I know the answer to the biggest question of all.

"What is the meaning of life?"

The answer has been easy for me. You know it too. Sometimes we all just need to be reminded.

The answer, of course, is: "To love and be loved."

Everything else is icing on our cake of life, or it is the set of baggage we carry with us. My goal has always been to celebrate life and get my baggage down to a carry on. That isn't always easy. Sometimes I can be seen pulling a steamer trunk as I trudge through a day. But I lay it down pretty quickly. That kind of baggage is just too heavy and tends to multiply the baggage of those I love.

I learned a long time ago what healthy love looks like. I have been abundantly blessed by generations of my family who just flat out loved me unconditionally.

That is not to say that they didn't have high expectations for and of me. But they also were the safety net that caught me when I failed and cheered me on as I succeeded.

Every child should grow into who they were meant to be knowing the answer to life's

biggest question. Every child should be loved in a healthy and joyous way, allowed to make mistakes and yet held lovingly accountable, so they don't approach life pulling a set of heavy baggage.

The 'less baggage' lesson I learned from growing up with a severely handicapped brother. Donnie was four years older than me, nine years older than our younger brother. He couldn't walk, or talk very much. But he could say 'I love you' and he loved deeply...with his eyes. I learned to bound through life with joy because Donnie couldn't. It is a gift that I hope he and my sweet brother Phil shared in, if only just a tiny bit.

Yep, I love Christmas for all

the reasons that most people do. Family, food and fun. But I also love it for the miracle it is...the night we received the greatest gift of Love of all. That long ago gift that continues to teach us the answer to the Big Question.

May your cups be full as we hurry through the busyness of the next couple of weeks. May your days be filled with laughter and happy tears.

And may each of you freely share the gift of love that is the answer to most of life's questions. While you are at it, put the heavy baggage down and lighten your load and that of those around you. You may be amazed by the extra joy that will flow your way.

Try it. Joy is contagious!

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Gladewater firefighters responded to a structure fire early Monday morning on Quitman Street. Crews were able to control and extinguish the fire and save the structure. One resident was taken by ems to be checked for unknown possible injuries. GFD Photo

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What's Happening

THE ECONOMIST

By Dr. M. Ray Perryman

Manna House holiday pandemic protocols

Manna House holiday family food boxes will be given out to registered families on Dec. 9 and Dec. 10 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. at First United Methodist Church's family life center on Quitman Street. A representative from each family is asked to individually pick up box and to wear a mask and observe social distancing. Recipients must be pre-registered. Parents and Guardians will also be eligible to visit Santa's Toy Shop to select a toy for each child in their family when they pick up their holiday food box.

UGJH All Region Band qualifers

The Union Grove Junior High All Region Band results are in and congratulations goes to: Elise Daugherty-1st chair trumpet, Colton Mead-1st chair baritone, Maegan Birch-2nd chair trumpet, Hannah Coulter-2nd chair French horn, TJ Fowler-2nd chair trombone, Jesse Fulmer-

2nd alternate tuba, Madysen Lowe-3rd chair French horn, August Vestal-4th chair French horn, Chloe Brooks-4th chair clarinet, Maddie Byers-5th chair clarinet, Carter Garmon-6th chair clarinet, Atley Alston-7th chair clarinet, Thomas Navarro-7th chair trombone, Keira Taylor-8th chair clarinet, Taylor Campbell-9th chair flute, Aiden Jones-13th chair trumpet, Malorie Cannon-15th chair clarinet.

UGISD Calendar

12/9, Wednesday
Band State Marching Contest@ Pine Tree Stadium
JH Academic UIL
12/10, Thursday
English II EOC Retake
12/11, Friday
5 p.m. JVV G BB vs. Harmony @UG
5:30 p.m. V B BB@New Diana
12/12, Saturday
ATSSB HS Virtual Regional Auditions
Noon JVV B BB vs. Ore City-H
FFA Greenhand Camp@Lindale
UIL Debate@Sabine HS
12/13, Sunday
2 p.m. "Grease" Musical

Like most industries, retailers are struggling to deal with the pandemic. While it may be a decent year for spending, it looks quite different – with a holiday shopping season the likes of which we have never seen.



Black Friday mall crowds were only about half of the usual levels, and store visits will be down significantly for the season. Curbside and in-store pickup options have taken on new importance, offering greater safety than crowded aisles and check-out lines.

Not surprisingly, online purchasing was up substantially over the Black Friday weekend and surged to a daily record on Cyber Monday. When a longer

period of time is considered, spending patterns are even more promising.

It remains to be seen, however, how the totals for the season ultimately unfold. There are signs that shoppers have been buying earlier, partially in response to warnings that deliveries could be delayed near Christmas. Moreover, despite the cyber surge, overall sales for the traditional beginning of the season are well below prior years.

From a retailer's perspective, online purchases can involve additional costs. Shoppers often expect free shipping and can easily compare offers. Handling and packaging expenses also eat into profits.

Much of what is occurring represents an escalation of trends that were already ongoing. For example, the proportion of online sales has been growing for years,

but safety concerns accelerated the pace. Brick-and-mortar stores remain important, but many have long been shifting focus toward online. Major investments in both the functionality and aesthetics of remote experiences have enhanced consumer perceptions and, hence, purchases.

Consumers are also becoming more cognizant of the social and environmental character of retail organizations. Corporate responses to COVID-19 were carefully watched for their effects on suppliers, shippers, and workers. Those whose approaches were viewed favorably were more likely to be supported by customers.

Some of the changes necessitated by the pandemic will no doubt remain. Supply chain management and ensuring availability will be emphasized. Inventory practices will be revamped. More and

better curbside and contactless delivery and payment systems are likely part of the new normal. Conversely, many shoppers want to see, feel, and touch their purchases and talk face-to-face with purveyors. Retailers will also need to innovate to support such preferences once the pandemic abates.

As with most businesses, retailers have made major adjustments in 2020. If the positive signals regarding imminent availability of vaccines and therapeutics come to fruition, there could well be a surge of purchasing as pent-up demand is released. Simultaneously, the lack of a stimulus package is causing some households to become increasingly financially distressed. The bottom line for retailers is yet to be determined, as is the face of future shopping. Stay safe!

UCSO makes drug-related arrests

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identify the substance.

On Oct. 7, Ore City police requested the sheriff's office's drug-detecting K-9 dog, "Marco," help find a man who had numerous outstanding felony charges and who had fled city officers to avoid arrest. Sheriff's Sgt. Justin Nustad and the dog tracked Terry Lloyd, 37, of Longview, to a nearby wooded area where he was arrested.

Lloyd is charged with assault on a public servant (not Nustad), evading arrest with a vehicle, possession of (an unspecified) controlled substance, terroristic threat against a police officer, and three misdemeanors: failure to identify as fugitive, resisting arrest and criminal mischief.

While working drug interdiction in the Union Grove area Oct. 8, the unit made a traffic stop at 271 and North Point Pleasant Road, resulting in two persons' arrests and seizing 5.3 grams of methamphetamine.

Latasha Childers, 40, of Sulphur Springs, and Tarran Lafrederick Berry, 45, of Mineola, were charged with delivery of controlled substance (methamphetamine)--more than four, but less than 200 grams.

On Oct. 13, the unit received information about persons involved in selling narcotics at Lucky 7 and, during its investigation, observed the suspects leaving there. The SIU stopped a vehicle at 271 and Union Grove Road, resulting in two Gladewater residents' arrests and seizing 15.5 grams of methamphetamine.

Cody Cooley, 26, and Melinda Nugent, 41, were charged with

delivery of controlled substance--at least four, but under 200 grams of methamphetamine.

On Oct. 14, Gilmer police requested Marco's help in locating a Kilgore man believed involved in several vehicle burglaries. Nustad and the dog found 19-year-old Trenton Taylor hiding in a wooded area inside city limits, and Taylor assaulted Nustad as the officer arrested him.

Taylor is charged with felony assault on a public servant and misdemeanor evading arrest or detention.

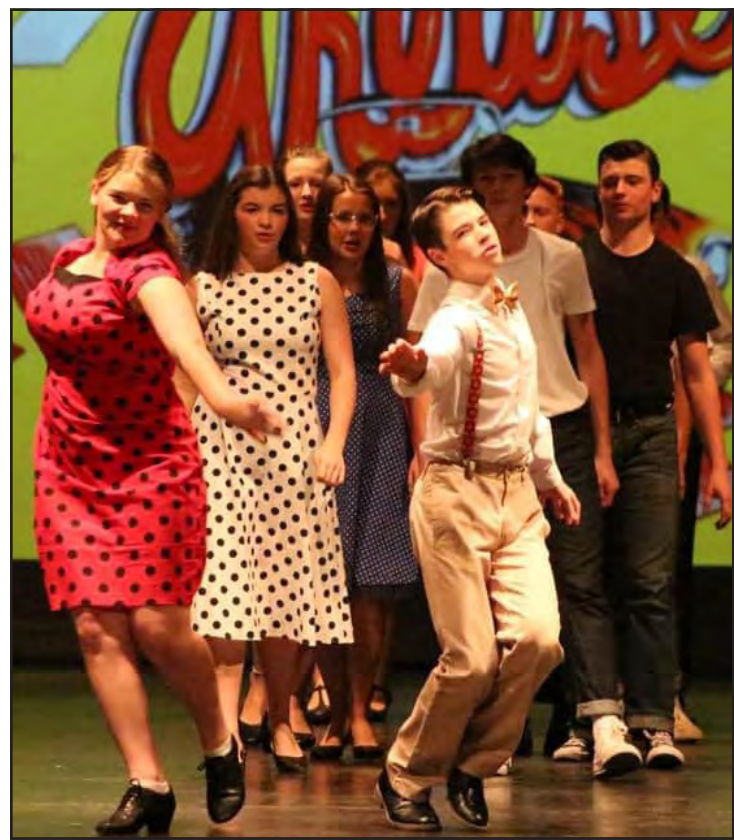
In a case in which no arrest was immediately made, the unit received information Oct. 21 that a woman residing in the 500 block of Pinto Road in the West Mountain area had an outstanding warrant for manufacture/delivery of (an unspecified) controlled substance.

While investigating, the unit obtained a search warrant for the home before seizing several capsules believed to contain cocaine.

A case was filed with Byrd's office, but the woman, who was home, was not arrested, pending the outcome of laboratory testing on the pills.

On Oct. 22, the unit arrested three Gilmerites and seized 14 grams of heroin when it executed a search warrant at a home on rural Crabapple Road after a long investigation into illicit narcotics being sold there.

Arrested at the home in the Mings Chapel area were Kelly Ann Miller, 40; Preston Drake Harris, 21; and Autumn Livas, 18, all charged with delivery of controlled substance--more than four, but less than 200 grams of heroin. Harris was also found to have an outstanding warrant charging him with felony possession of an unspecified controlled substance.



The Union Grove High School drama department performs the musical "Grease". They will host another performance Sunday at 2 p.m. Courtesy Photo



Four outstanding Gladewater Middle School Band musicians qualified for the Region 4 ATSSB All Region Band including Cynthia Gutierrez-clarinet, Nathaniel Thomas-French horn first alternate, Jasmine Fisher-euphonium and Noah Smith-tuba. The band is directed by Rhett Pilcher and Jeff Smith.

"Though subject to change due to COVID-19, these students will come together in January with students from other area East Texas Schools and perform a concert," Pilcher said. "We are very proud of these kids as they have taken the time to excel in such a difficult year."

Courtesy Photo

Man given probation for heroin possession

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prison July 14 for unlawful possession of firearm by felon on March 8.

Belinda Sue Poppell, 42, of Big Sandy, was placed on four years "deferred adjudication" probation July 29 for possession of controlled substance--less than one gram of methamphetamine on Dec. 18, 2018.

Deferred adjudication means no final conviction appears on a defendant's record if he/she successfully completes probation. If such probation is revoked, however, the defendant can receive up to the maximum sentence for the offense.

William Chad Martin, 36, of Ore City, drew six years in prison Aug. 4 for delivery of a controlled substance--one gram or more but less than four grams of methamphetamine on March 14, 2018.

Lee Wayne Wright, 65, of Gilmer, was placed on four years regular probation of a 10-year prison term Aug. 4 for driving while intoxicated--subsequent offense on Dec. 29, 2019.

James Wilson Burks, who was 45 and from Henderson when sentenced, drew eight years in prison Aug. 24 for misapplication of fiduciary property on July 16, 2018.

Jessica Oshea Blaylock, 39, of Tyler, received six months in state jail Aug. 24 for unauthorized use of a vehicle on Oct. 7, 2018.

Kenneth Earl Ellis, 55, of Mt. Pleasant, drew 12 months in state jail Aug. 25 for theft of property (of) less than \$2,500 with two or more previous convictions. The offense occurred July 3, 2018.

Cody Allen Collier, who turned 33 Monday and is of Deberry, was placed on three years deferred adjudication Aug. 25 for credit card abuse on Oct. 18, 2018.

Logan Nathaniel Watley, 23, of Gilmer, received four years in prison Aug. 25 for sexual assault of a child on Oct. 8, 2019.

Hope Nicole Wadlington, 23, of Gilmer, drew eight months in state

jail Aug. 25 for unauthorized use of a vehicle on Jan. 11.

Kristin Susanna Wycoff, 43 when sentenced and from Diana, was placed on three years deferred adjudication Aug. 25 for possession of controlled substance--less than one gram of methamphetamine on Aug. 31, 2019.

Jesus Manuel Aguillon, 22, of Gilmer, was placed on two years deferred adjudication Oct. 6 for burglary of a habitation on May 18, 2019.

Christopher William Rheume, a Mt. Pleasant resident who was 33 when sentenced Oct. 6, was placed on 10 years deferred adjudication for possession of a controlled substance--four or more, but less than 200 grams of methamphetamine on July 20, 2019.

Jorge Garrick Jones, 42, of Marshall, drew 365 days in state jail Oct. 6 for possession of controlled substance--less than one gram of cocaine on May 22.

Kealyn Patrick Owens, 24, of El Paso, received two concurrent 15-month state jail terms Oct. 13 for forgery on Aug. 12, 2017 and unauthorized use of a vehicle on March 7, 2018.

Taylor Laithe Godfrey, 23, of Mt. Pleasant, drew five years deferred adjudication Oct. 13 for evading arrest/detention with vehicle he committed Aug. 31, 2018.

Caleb Frank Warren, 36, of Jefferson, received five years in prison Oct. 13 for delivery of a controlled substance--one gram or more, but less than four of methamphetamine.

Gerald Gentry, 46, of Mt. Pleasant, drew 30 years in prison Oct. 13 for aggravated sexual assault of a child.

Jimmy Ryan Walker, 40, of Gilmer, received three years in prison Oct. 13 for aggravated assault/threaten with deadly weapon.

Robby Keith Hawkins, 38, of Gilmer, drew eight years in prison Oct. 13 for unlawful possession of firearm by felon.

A GOOD TIME OR A GOOD LIFE?

Recently, I read the following observation about our society--someone said: *Modern Society wants entertainment instead of enrichment, and a good time rather than a good life.* Sadly, this is becoming the mindset many are adopting, and the course more and more people are following. Many do not want to be spiritually enriched; they only want to be entertained carnally. They are not really interested in whether or not they are living a good life, their priority is only to experience what they style "a good time." These substitute a good time for the good life, like the prodigal son did in Luke 12: 15.

Col 3: 1-2 admonishes us to "seek and set our mind on those things which are above, not on things on the earth." Philippians 3: 19 describes those who "set their minds on earthly things" i.e. all they think about is life here on this earth and "they glory in their shame" i.e. they are proud and brag about, what they should be ashamed of! But lo, there is a growing number who are "not at all ashamed when they commit abominations...nor do they know how to blush" (Jer. 8: 12).

I'm reminded of what Thomas Manton wrote: "Man fallen is...man inverted; his love is where his hatred should be, and his hatred where his love should be; his glory where his shame should be, and his shame where his glory should be." Isaiah 5: 20 seems to be appropriate, "Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; who substitute darkness for light and light for darkness; who substitute bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter!"

Clean entertainment is not wrong and it is not wrong to have a "good time" as long as we don't have to become less than good to have it! But how foolish and short-sighted it is to be so caught up in momentary gratifications that we forget what is really important in life i.e. serving God and preparing for eternity. Think on these things.

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Sports Round-Up

Lady Bears beat Kilgore, 58-56

Gladewater's JaKiyah Bell dropped 17 on Kilgore to help lead the Lady Bears over the Lady Dawgs 58-56.

After three consecutive losses by a total of 9 points, Gladewater has won two in a row and sitting at 3-3 on the season. A slow second quarter had Bell and crew down at the half by 9. Hai'leigh Oliver put up 12 and Ebony Pipkin 9 in the win. Other point makers in a tight hard fought game included Calice Henderson 7, Kamryn Floyd 6, and Bri Boyd 4. Kiyona Parker and Cariesma Colbert combined for a very important 3 points in this 2 point victory. Oliver helped begin this 2 game win streak by scoring 15 on Beckville just days earlier. Floyd backed her up with 11, including a shot from beyond the arc to knock off the Lady Bearcats 53-46. Pipkin had 12 in the game. Gladewater took a one point lead into the half before getting the better of Beckville in the 3rd 17-9. Bell added 7 while Sydney Spurlock contributed 5.

Lady Lions roll over Hughes Springs

Union Grove's Carleigh Judd scored just 5 points less than all the Hughes Springs Lady Mustangs as the Lady Lions roll yet another opponent to improve to 7-0.

Union Grove jumped out to a 24-4 lead after one quarter, having little trouble keeping Hughes Springs down for a 65-30 final. Macey Alston added 22 to Judd's 25 as the two seniors continue to swap top scoring titles each game. Makena Littlejohn added 7 while Gracie Winn and Gracie Stanford combined for 7. Ava Wightman and Macey Roberts had 2 apiece. Earlier in the week, Alston outscored New Diana 38-25 as Union Grove earned their 6th win 72-25. Judd put up 14 as the Lady Lions ran away in the 1st and never looked back. A developing trend. Littlejohn gave 8 to the cause as Bailey Clowers, Roberts, and Winn netted 4 each.

Lady Lions #9 in State's Poll

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| Texas Girls Coaches Assoc. Basketball State Poll November 7, 2020 Class 2A | 8. Wolfe City 9-0 |
| 1. Gruver 1-0 | 9. Union Grove 7-0 |
| 2. Muenster 8-0 | 10. Sam Rayburn 5-0 |
| 3. Weimar 4-0 | 11. Timpson 5-0 |
| 4. Martins Mill 6-0 | 12. Yorktown 7-0 |
| 5. Panhandle 6-0 | 13. Harper 7-0 |
| 6. San Saba 1-0 | 14. Poolville 6-0 |
| 7. Bland 0-0 | 15. Alba-Golden 6-0 |
| | 16. Holland 8-1 |
| | 17. Lipan 4-1 |
| | 18. Mason 5-1 |



Dec. 15	GLADEWATER BOYS VARSITY & JV	Tyler Heat	Home	5 & 7:15 p.m.
Dec. 18		Daingerfield	Home	5 & 6:15 p.m.
Dec. 22		New Diana	Home	5 & 7:15 p.m.
	GLADEWATER GIRLS VARSITY & JV			
Dec. 12		West Rusk	Away	5 & 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 15		Sabine	Home	5 & 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 18		Daingerfield	Away	5 & 7:15 p.m.
Dec. 22		New Diana	Home	5 & 6:30 p.m.

Dec. 11	UNION GROVE BOYS VARSITY & JV	New Diana	Away	5 & 6:15 p.m.
Dec. 19		Gary	Away	Noon
	UNION GROVE GIRLS VARSITY & JV			
Dec. 15		Campbell	Away	5 & 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 18		Carlisle (V)	Home	5:30 p.m.
Dec. 21		Big Sandy	Home	11 a.m.
Dec. 22		New Diana	Home	5 & 6:30 p.m.

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RRHA receives \$15K Union Pacific grant

The Red Rock Historical Association (RRHA) was awarded a second grant from the Union Pacific Foundation to erect an electronic messaging center in the Red Rock community off of Highway 80.

In 2019, RRHA wrote a grant and was awarded \$15,000 for the project Bright Lights, Little Communities. The Association applied again in 2020 and received an additional \$10,000 from the Union Pacific Foundation.

The electronic messaging center will allow community members and organizations to place messages to announce events to support the community. The Red Rock Historical Association is seeking local contributions as well.

For more information contact Bennie Moore at 903-734-5944.

Webinar on landowner liability set

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will address landowner liability and laws during a free On the Line with AgriLife webinar at 8:30 a.m. on Dec. 10.

Tiffany Dowell Lashmet, AgriLife Extension agricultural law specialist in Amarillo, will be the featured speaker for this session, "The 2020 Ag Law Year in Review/Looking Forward to 2021."

It will be held on the Zoom meeting platform. Participants may also call in to 346-248-7799 and enter meeting ID: 936 5015 8712.

"The goal of this 'On the Line' is to provide current information and highlight the most up-to-date laws and information in a quick call-in or Zoom program format that is easy for everyone to participate in," said Emily Grant, AgriLife Extension agent for Val Verde County. "This webinar should be considered a can't miss for Texas landowners and row-crop producers."

Grant said Lashmet would speak for about 30 minutes and then take questions from the audience.

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Fraudsters who stole protected health information to fund spending spree plead guilty

Two individuals have pleaded guilty to conspiracy to obtain information from a protected computer in the Eastern District of Texas, announced U.S. Attorney Stephen J. Cox today.

Demetrius Cervantes, 46, of McKinney, Texas, and Amanda Lowry, 40, of Sherman, Texas, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to obtain information from a protected computer on Dec. 3, 2020, before U.S. Magistrate Judge Christine A. Nowak. Their co-conspirator, Lydia Henslee, 29, of Denison, Texas, faces additional charges.

Cervantes, Lowry, and Henslee, were named in a federal indictment on Sept. 11, 2019. The defendants were each charged with conspiracy to obtain information from a protected computer and conspiracy to unlawfully possess and use a means of identification

According to information presented in court, the defendants are alleged to have breached a health care provider's electronic health record (EHR) system in order to steal protected health information and personally identifiable information belonging to patients. This stolen information was then "repackaged" in the form of false and fraudulent physician orders and subsequently sold to durable medical equipment (DME) providers and contractors. Within approximately eight months,

the defendants obtained more the \$1.4 million in proceeds from the sale of the stolen information. The proceeds of the offenses were traced, and the following forfeitable assets were identified: a 2019 Land Rover Range Rover Supercharged; a 2019 Dodge Durango SUV; a 2018 Polaris RZR XP4 1000 EPS; a 2019 Can-Am Outlander 450; a 2019 Sea-Doo RXT-X 300 W; a 2019 Sea-Doo RXT-X 300 W; and

a 2019 Karavan Sea-Doo Move.

On Nov. 18, 2020, Henslee was charged in a ten-count superseding indictment with one count of conspiracy to unlawfully transfer, possess, and use a means of identification, and nine counts of unlawfully transferring, possessing, and using a means of identification. If convicted, she faces up to 15 years in federal prison.

Retaliation against officer nets man 40 years in prison

By Phillip Williams

A judge in Gilmer sentenced Maurice Manuel Hall to 40 years in prison Monday after the Big Sandy man pleaded guilty to retaliation against a Big Sandy police officer and thus being a repeat offender, said Upshur County District Attorney Billy Byrd.

Hall, 43, was sentenced on a plea bargain by 115th District Judge Dean Fowler for threatening Officer Dave Morris on Jan. 27, and was on parole for committing the same offense (retaliation) against another police officer, said Byrd.

Morris responded to a Big Sandy home due to an assault, and met

with Hall's wife, Mary Hall, "who had swelling and injury to her face" and stated her husband had struck her, the prosecutor wrote.

"Based on the investigation at the scene," the defendant was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence and, "while in the back of the patrol car, he threatened to 'shoot and kill' Officer Morris along with other threats," Byrd added. "We indicted this case as a habitual offender where the minimum sentence was (thus) raised to 25 years," the district attorney said. "We are thankful for good officers like Dave Morris that risk their lives every day and I will always support and back these officers as the district attorney."

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	EMS	202007109	9:59		205 E. GAY E. GAY
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	ALARM/MOTHER	202007111	14:50	WORLD FINANCE CORPORATION	207 W COMMERCE COMMERCE
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	RECKLESS DRIVING	202007220	20:05	SABINE RIVER BOAT RAMP	1000 S RIVER RIVER RD
	ALARM/MOTHER	202007221	21:21	SUNBELT MANUFACTURING	100 S PINE PINE ST
	INCIDENT W/REPORT	202007222	21:12	ECONOMY INN	701 E BROADWAY BROADWAY AVE
12/7/20	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	202007223	3:31		322 MELBA MELBA AVE
	FIRE DEPT	202007224	4:19		621 QUITMAN QUITMAN AVE
	THEFT	202007225	6:43		HWY 135 HWY 135
	CRIM MIS	202007226	7:37		1352 PHILLIPS SPRINGS PHILLIPS SPRINGS

GPD ARREST REPORT

ARREST DATE	ARREST DATE	TIME	FULL NAME	RACE	SEX	OFFENSE	LOCATION A
12/6/20	12/6/20	21:29	NORTON, JOSHUA ERNEST	W	M	POSSESS CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE PG 1 <1G	700 E BROADW
12/7/20	12/7/20	3:54	GORDON, RONNIE KWAME	B	M	POSSESS CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE PG 2 <1G	300 MELBA

NOTICE OF RATE CHANGE REQUEST

On October 13, 2020, Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO or Company) filed a Petition and Statement of Intent to Change Rates (the Petition) with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC or the Commission) in Docket No. 51415, and with those municipal authorities in its Texas service territory that have original jurisdiction over SWEPCO’s electric rates. This notice is being published in accordance with Section 36.103 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act and Commission Procedural Rule 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 22.51(a)(1).

SWEPCO has approximately 187,000 Texas retail customers. All such customers and all classes of customers will be affected by the relief requested in SWEPCO’s Petition.

SWEPCO’s request to change its rates is based on the financial results for a 12-month test year ending on March 31, 2020. SWEPCO’s Petition seeks an overall increase of \$105,026,238, an increase of 30.3% over adjusted Texas retail test year base rate revenues exclusive of fuel and rider revenues. SWEPCO’s proposed revenue increase will be offset by a \$14,826,502 decrease in annualized Transmission Cost Recovery Factor (TCRF) and Distribution Cost Recovery Factor (DCRF) revenue. Thus, the net proposed Texas retail revenue increase is \$90,199,736, an increase of 26.0% over adjusted Texas retail test year base rate revenues exclusive of fuel and rider revenues. The overall impact of the rate change, considering both fuel and non-fuel revenues, is a 15.6% increase. The impact of the rate change on various customer classes will vary from the overall impact described in this notice, as shown in the table below. In addition, SWEPCO is seeking recovery of the reasonable rate-case expenses, including expenses paid to reimburse intervening municipalities, that it incurs in this case and those rate-case expenses incurred in three prior dockets that have yet to be recovered.

A Residential Service customer using 1,000 kilowatt-hours of energy per month will see an increase in their total bill (including fuel costs and rate riders) of \$15.71 per month, an increase of approximately 15.0%.

The following table presents the percentage annual revenue increases, by type of service, under the proposed rates in this proceeding:

SWEPCO Texas Proposed Base Rate Increase			
Applicable Service	Change in Non-Fuel Revenue (\$) *	Change in Non-Fuel Revenue (%) **	Change in Total Bill (%) ***
RESIDENTIAL	\$ 34,924,204	23.75%	15.64%
GENERAL SERVICE W/DEMAND	4,461,476	26.25%	18.45%
GENERAL SERVICE WO/DEMAND	2,167,555	38.23%	27.15%
LIGHTING & POWER - SEC	28,784,427	28.49%	14.96%
LIGHTING & POWER - PRI	6,789,019	28.44%	14.40%
COTTON GIN	69,427	26.14%	15.74%
LARGE LIGHTING & POWER - PRI	1,506,976	28.44%	14.40%
LARGE LIGHTING & POWER - TRANS	6,300,461	28.14%	13.23%
METAL MELTING - SEC	40,125	27.91%	17.81%
METAL MELTING - PRI	369,199	26.32%	13.11%
METAL MELTING - TRANS	320,810	21.40%	9.74%
OILFIELD PRIMARY	3,009,127	28.29%	13.23%
OILFIELD SECONDARY	191,671	32.55%	15.94%
MUNICIPAL PUMPING	196,244	9.76%	7.00%
MUNICIPAL SERVICE	171,173	10.37%	6.60%
MUNICIPAL LIGHTING	221,268	9.76%	7.00%
Street Lighting Sheet IV-23	226	19.75%	13.39%
Municipal Street Lighting Sheet IV-24	389	23.23%	19.12%
Municipal Street and Parkway Lighting Sheet IV-25	268,331	12.60%	9.23%
Municipal Street and Parkway Lighting Sheet LED IV-65	n/a	n/a	14.84%
Street Lighting Service Sheet IV-31	(48,498)	-22.61%	-19.90%
Public Highway Lighting Sheet IV-27	819	19.50%	13.02%
PUBLIC STREET & HWY (Sheet IV-26)	800	2.65%	1.23%
PRIVATE, OUTDOOR, AREA	595,175	14.34%	10.18%
Private Lighting Sheet IV-28	210,792	29.00%	21.99%
Area Lighting - Outdoor Sheet IV-29	6,910	18.49%	14.65%
Area Lighting - Outdoor Sheet IV-30	326,842	9.68%	7.06%
Floodlighting Service Sheet IV-32	26,157	28.82%	20.79%
Outdoor Lighting Sheet IV-33	24,474	32.98%	28.11%
Area Lighting - Outdoor LED Sheet IV-66	n/a	n/a	14.84%
CUSTOMER-OWNED LIGHTING	79,569	27.15%	14.84%
Recreational Lighting Sheet IV-21	65,016	24.55%	14.84%
Customer Supplied Lighting Sheet IV-22	14,554	24.55%	14.84%
* Base rate revenue net of transmission and distribution cost recovery revenues.			
** Transmission and distribution cost recovery factor revenue recovered in existing base rates will be reset to zero with this filing.			
*** Bill impact includes base rate revenue plus fuel factor, energy efficiency cost recovery factor, rate case expense surcharge, transmission cost recovery revenue, and distribution cost recovery revenue.			

SWEPCO has proposed that its requested rate change become effective 35 days after the filing of the Petition and Statement of Intent. The proposed effective date is subject to suspension and extension by actions that may be taken by the Commission and other regulatory authorities.

SWEPCO is proposing revisions to most tariffs and schedules. In addition, in order to facilitate future TCRF, DCRF, and Generation Cost Recovery Rider (GCRR) filings pursuant to 16 TAC §§ 25.239, 25.243, and 25.248, respectively, SWEPCO requests that the Commission: (1) set the Company’s current TCRF and DCRF to zero; and (2) establish in this docket the baseline values consisting of the inputs to the calculations that will be used to calculate SWEPCO’s TCRF, DCRF, and GCRR in future dockets.

Persons with questions or who want more information on this Petition may contact SWEPCO at 428 Travis Street, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101, or call toll-free at (888) 216-3523 during normal business hours. A complete copy of the Petition and related filings is available for inspection at the address listed in the previous sentence.

Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible, as an intervention deadline will be imposed. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the commission at (512) 936-7136. A request for intervention or for further information should refer to Docket No. 51415. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is 45 days after the date the application was filed with the commission, unless otherwise provided by order of the presiding officer. The presiding officer for Docket No. 51415 has ordered an intervention deadline of February 10, 2021.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the preferred method for you to file your request for intervention or comments on the application is electronically, and you will be required to serve the request on other parties by email. Therefore, please include your own email address on the intervention request. Instructions for electronic filing via the “PUC Filer” on the Commission’s website can be found here: <https://interchange.puc.texas.gov/filer>. Instructions for using the PUC Filer are available at http://www.puc.texas.gov/industry/filings/New_PUC_Web_Filer_Presentation.pdf. Once you obtain a tracking sheet associated with your filing from the PUC Filer, you may email the tracking sheet and the document you wish to file to: centralrecords@puc.texas.gov. For assistance with your electronic filing, please contact the Commission’s Help Desk at (512) 936-7100 or helpdesk@puc.texas.gov. You can review materials filed in this docket on the PUC Interchange at: <http://interchange.puc.texas.gov/>.



Anthony Jenkins, Clarksville City-Warren City VFD fire chief, Roger Maxwell, James Gross, Carolyn Linder, and Mayor Joe Spears awarded James Gross with J&J Transmission the Clarksville City Business Appreciation award for 20 years of service. Courtesy Photo



The festive home of Gay and Rickey Lewis is the obvious choice for the December Yard of the Month. With multi-level and variegated winter evergreen beds, seasonal plantings, Christmas wreaths and red accents this home is a treat to see.

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