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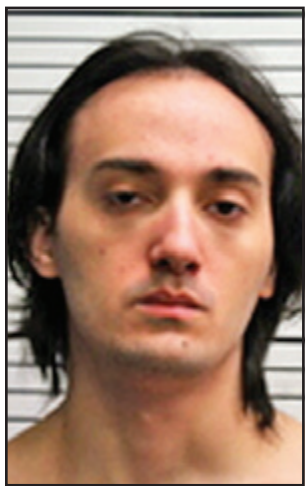
Thursday, February 20, 2020

Arrest made in drug delivery case

Law officers execute search warrant

Area law officers arrested a 20-year-old Caldwell man on Thursday, Feb. 13, on drug delivery charges after serving a search warrant at his home in north Burleson County.

Jacob Brumley was charged with felony delivery of a controlled substance and felony delivery of marijuana, possession of marijuana, 4 ounces to 5 pounds, and manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance in Penalty Group 2 or



JACOB BRUMLEY 2A, 4-400 grams, and he remains in Burle-

son County custody on Tuesday, Feb. 18, on \$57,500 bond set by Burleson County Pct. 3 Justice of the Peace Johnny Towslee, said Burleson County Sheriff's Investigator Christine Labertew.

Burleson County sheriff's deputies, assisted by DPS troopers and Caldwell police officers, served a search warrant at 10 a.m. at his house, Labertew said.

During the search, law officers seized a See **DRUG**, page 5A



DRUGS AND WEAPONS were confiscated by Burleson County sheriff's deputies after executing a search warrant at a home in the north end of the county. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders

Somerville plans bond election

The Somerville City Council is calling for a \$1.5 million bond election set for Saturday, May 2, for major street rehabilitation and improvements to the water distribution system and sanitary sewer system.

The council approved an ordinance by a 5-0 vote at their Tuesday, Feb. 11, meeting calling for a voter-approved bond election.

It will include two propositions.

One would not exceed \$400,000 to improve, repair and construct water lines and to improve, repair and recon-

struct the city's sewer system.

The second, not to exceed \$1.1 million would be to improve, repair, reconstruct and resurface existing streets.

If both are approved by voters, the city will issue up to \$1.5 million in general obligation bonds for the project.

The proposed project would include rehabilitating Eighth Street from State Highway 36 to Thornberry Drive as phase one. That will also include upgrades and improvements to the city's water distribution system and See **BOND**, page 12B



COUNTY RESIDENTS enjoy the Caldwell Rotary Club's "Casino Night," featuring Las Vegas-styled gaming tables and slot machines. The event is a fundraiser for the Rotary Club. (See story inside.)

No one files for hospital board

Several local city and school elections will have contested races on May 2, however, no one filed for the hospital board's five seats up for election.

That means the board must appoint five persons to serve.

The seats up for election include those held by Pete Pederson, Barbara Drgac, Kirk Chapman, Michael Bennett and Don Royder.

Those incumbents could be appointed, if persuaded to serve See **BOARD**, page 4A

Lazo wins VFW Voice of Democracy

Novosad tops local Patriot's Pen essay competition

Caldwell High School senior Sabine Lazo won the top prize from the area's Voice of Democracy speech contest, sponsored by the Caldwell VFW Post No. 4458.

The topic for the speech contest was *What Makes America Great*.

Lazo received \$500 and was honored during a dinner and program Thursday night, Feb. 13, at the post, along See **VOD**, page 4A



SABINE LAZO, LEFT, won the VFW's annual Voice of Democracy speech contest. She is pictured with LaNette Boyd with the VFW Post No. 4458 Auxiliary, Tommy Miles and Tina Smith from the Caldwell VFW Post No. 4458. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

Student to model at Paris Fashion Week

For most runway models, getting to walk the runways during Paris Fashion Week is a dream that is difficult to attain.

However, for one Caldwell High School senior, that dream is only a few weeks away.

Seventeen-year-old Jonah Manzi was recently selected to model clothes from a collection by New York designer Christopher Korey during Paris Fashion Week which runs Feb. See **MODEL**, page 12A



JONAH MANZI

Vista Ridge's request approved

The Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District (POSGCD) Board has unanimously approved a request by Blue Water Vista Ridge for an additional 4,842 acre feet of water for transport to San Antonio.

In addition, they have approved, on a split 7-3 vote, reinstating the

3,000 gallons per minute instantaneous well production rates for three of its water export wells, which the board had previously lowered due to spacing concerns. The wells were too close together, according to district rules, so the board had previously reduced the gallons per See **VISTA**, page 2A



MELYND GIESENSCHLAG LOOKS over this Black History Month exhibit on the first floor of the Burleson County Courthouse. The exhibit was prepared by Othea Harrison, Mahalia Nix and Diann Scott. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders

Primary early voting begins

The Burleson County Elections Office was busy for the first day of early voting for the March 3 Republican and Democratic primaries.

As of 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 18, 145 See **VOTING**, page 10A

Sitton Speaks at Annual GOP Reagan Day Dinner

Texas Railroad Commissioner Ryan Sitton told local Republicans on Monday, Feb. 17, that Texas remains strong thanks to a productive oil and gas industry.

Sitton spoke to the

Burleson County Republican Party at their annual Reagan Day Dinner at the Caldwell Civic Center.

Sitton was elected commissioner in 2014, becoming the first engineer in 50 years to be elected to the commission.

Sitton highlighted the magnitude of the Texas

oil industry saying that Texas produces 30 billion cubic feet of natural gas per day and 5 million barrels of oil per day.

"If Texas were its own country we would be the third largest hydrocarbon producer in the world," Sitton said.

What does all of this mean for Texas?

According to Sitton it's the abundance of natural resources in Texas combined with the regulation system controlled by the citizens that allows such affordable living in Texas.

Sitton emphasized that here in Texas we pay about \$2.09 a gallon for gas presently,

compared to \$5.00 in California.

"The difference represents nearly 5 percent of the annual income of someone who makes an average of \$55,000 a year," Sitton said.

"The little... things we do to empower oil and gas in this state makes everybody's life bet-



RYAN SITTON



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VISTA

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 minute allowed.
 The votes followed a public hearing on Thursday, Feb. 13, at

the district's office in Milano.
 Board members Tommy Tietjen and Becky Goetsch of Burleson County and Steven Wise of Milam County

voted no on the reinstating instantaneous production issue. Voting yes were Jay Wilder, Lee Alford and Ed Savage of Burleson County and Bob Wil-

son, Dana McClaren and Chris Whittaker and board chairman Sidney Youngblood of Milam County.

In both votes, approval was conditional upon Blue Water Vista Ridge complying with recommendations by POSGCD General Manager Gary Westbrook requiring specific monitoring data to improve the district's groundwater model data. In addition, they are required to ensure that three additional wells, which were found to be too close together according to the district's rules, be brought into compliance by securing a district-approved variance to allow them to also function at 3,000 gpm, Westbrook said.

Westbrook said after the meeting that Blue Water Vista Ridge will provide monitoring data from its testing wells dating back to August, indicating any changes in water levels and any impacts from changes in the instantaneous rate of production.

The board also unanimously approved two other amendments -- one allowing Blue Water Vista Ridge to relocate well PW-18 closer to the pump station, and another that aligns Blue Water Vista Ridge's transport permit with its operating permit.

Regarding the PW-18 well relocation, Blue Water Vista Ridge officials say it makes sense because it would be closer to the Vista Ridge High Service Pump Station, with no change to the permit parameters other than the point of withdrawal.

On the vote concerning aligning the transport permit with the operating permit, the vote was also 7-3, with the same dissenting votes.

The board voted following a lengthy public

hearing, which had been recessed from Oct. 3 to provide additional time to Burleson County resident Sidney Zgabay to prepare his case to apply for party status. Zgabay has since withdrawn the request.

The hearing included comments attorney Paul Terrill and hydrogeologist James Bene, representing Blue Water Vista Ridge, and attorney Barbara Boulware-Wells, Steve Young of Intera, POSGCD's hydrogeologist, and Westbrook, representing the water district.

Board members heard many negative comments during the Oct. 3 hearing opposing the 4,842 acre feet proposal for the Simsboro well field production. Critics said the Vista Ridge project was already permitted for 35,993 acre feet for the Simsboro field, and that was enough.

The water export project transports water from Burleson County to the City of San Antonio.

In addition to the 35,993 for the Simsboro field, they are also permitted 15,000 acre feet for the 21 Carrizo aquifer wells, giving them a previously approved permit total of 50,993 acre feet a year.

At the Thursday hearing, Bene and Terrill said the additional requested Simsboro production was needed to comply with makeup water requirements with the SAWS (San Antonio Water System) contract and for potential evaporation and line loss.

They also argued that the aquifer impact would be minimal, considering the Simsboro's water storage and recharge capability.

The reinstatement of maximum production rates of 3,000 gpm provided operational flexibility for well field anticipation of down time

for repairs and maintenance, they said.

Previously, the board had cut them back to 2,617 gpm in PW-12, 2,685 gpm in PW-13 and 2,412 in PW-16 due to spacing concerns.

The well relocations were to accommodate landowner requests and due to topography, according to Blue Water Vista Ridge's power point presentation. However that caused them to be spaced too close together, according to district rules, Westbrook explained after the meeting.

Westbrook said the district later learned that three additional wells, PW 10, 11 and 17 were also discovered as too close together.

After the Thursday vote, Tietjen and Goetsch explained that they voted no on reinstating the instantaneous production rate because they wanted to stick with the original decision to cut back production.

Both said the cutbacks were consistent with the district's existing rules, which they wanted to preserve, so they opposed a variance.

Regarding the separate amendment regarding aligning the transport permit with the operating permit, they said they voted no because the revised operating permit would include the provision they had opposed concerning instantaneous production.

Tietjen and Goetsch said they joined the unanimous vote on the extra 4,842 acre feet because of Westbrook's recommendation that included the requirement of Vista Ridge to forward the monitoring data to the district.

Both said securing that data will ensure that the extra production does not overburden the aquifer, they said.





(L to R) Vernon & Gail Havemann, Sherri, Gene & Caylee Hermes, Shirley & Jack Hearne & Ollie

Just like the roots on the oak tree on our family land run deep into the ground of Burleson County, so do my family roots. The Hermes, Hearne and Havemann families have deep roots in Burleson County. The roots of my law enforcement career were planted in Burleson County and have grown right here for over 20 years. I would appreciate your vote to become the next Sheriff of Burleson County.

Gene Hermes
 Pol. adv. paid for by Gene Hermes for Sheriff, Sherri Hermes, Treasurer.

Dwayne Muzny, 44, owner of Top Notch Services of Deansville and Caldwell, was cutting down a tree at the time of the mishap. He was airlifted to St. Joseph in Bryan, suffering from a broken femur. The main vein in his injured leg had stopped working and he was given two pints of blood at the hospital. Dwayne underwent surgery and it was feared he might lose his leg due to the severity of the injury, and his leg couldn't be saved. Dwayne is now trying to recuperate from his injuries and undergoing physical therapy. He lost his leg on November 21st due to the vascular vein rupturing. Today current he is at home going back and forth to doctors appointments to dress and clean the wound since he had skin grafting surgery on January 24th. He hasn't done any therapy yet until the wound heals. He's expected to get a prosthesis in the summer.



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Road repairs set for CR 367, 347

Burleson County Pct. 1 Commissioner Joe Baldwin said he has reached an agreement with Garney Construction of Houston to fund road improvements on County Road 367 and 347.

Garney is a water systems construction contractor involved with the Vista Ridge water export project located along F.M. 696, Baldwin said.

Baldwin said heavy traffic over the last year by Garney's trucks along those roads has caused a need for repairs.

Just as the county uses road use permits with oil companies to help offset costs for road repairs, Baldwin said he entered into an agreement with Garney officials last August to ensure that Garney would pay for repairs needed there.

However, in this case, Garney has generously agreed to fund all of the costs, he said.

Baldwin said he met with Chad Schardon of Garney on Friday, Feb. 14, and he was pleased that Garney was still in agreement on the repairs.

And he appreciates their commitment.

An exact cost is still being determined, but Garney has agreed to cover all expenses for the road work, Baldwin said.

"They are going to put

the road back to the same condition it was in before," Baldwin said.

Baldwin said Garney began their drilling operation for the water export field in 2018-19, and there was heavy truck traffic along the roads during that time.

The work will be done on County Road 367 from the intersection of County Road 347 to the end of the road, he said. On County Road 347, the road will be rebuilt from F.M. 696 to the intersection of County Road 367.

Baldwin said Garney will get back to him on a timeline to get started and on how long the work will take. Garney plans to hire a contractor for the work, Baldwin said.

And he is grateful that the road repairs will not be a taxpayer cost or take time away from Precinct 1's other road responsibilities.

William "Bill" Przybyla, who lives along County Road 367, said he was glad to hear that the road was going to be repaired. And he would like to see a timeline for completion of the project.

Przybyla said previously that he was concerned about the road and access for those driving on it because major repairs were needed.

Castaneda, Lucero address issues in candidate forum

Two Republican candidates for Burleson County tax assessor-collector offered their comments in the Burleson County Tribune Candidate Forum.

Incumbent Cheryl Story Castaneda, who was appointed to the position in October of 2018, is running for a full, four-year term, and is being challenged by Jessica Lucero, an employee with the Burleson County Clerk's office. Lucero also worked previously with the Brazos County Tax Office.

Castaneda was asked about what she had accomplished since her appointment to the position.

Castaneda said she has launched a website for the tax office allowing taxpayers to view their tax statements and receipts online and have the most current status of their taxes available 24/7.

"This is something that has never been available for Burleson County taxpayers," Castaneda said.

She said she is also in negotiation with Harris Govern, the software company for the appraisal district to convert the tax office to their software, which will eliminate any future delays in tax statements.

Regarding customer service, she has developed a schedule to send her staff to continuing education classes, she said.

"The more informed they are, the better they can serve taxpayers," she said.

Lucero was asked what were her goals for the job and what she would do differently?

"My number one goal is to bring back respect and dignity to all our people in Burleson County," Lucero said. She said she would also "make sure that everyone is greeted and acknowledged when you are coming into the office."

Castaneda also addressed what happened with the late tax statements going out this year and what she has done to fix that.

Castaneda said she could not get the appraisal district's data to process tax statements in mid-September of 2019. Data was sent to the district's current software provider, and data sent from the appraisal district to them should have been converted, tax rates applied and bills created, she said.

However, the tax office's software provider could not get the appraisal district's data to convert, she said.

Castaneda said she is currently in negotiations with Harris Govern, the appraisal district's software company.

"If everything works out, the tax office should be under the same software system as early as 2021," she said.

Most counties in Texas have the same software company for the appraisal district and the tax office, according to her research.

"I know that this has been a frustrating process on all ends, but



JESSICA LUCERO



CHERYL CASTANEDA

I would just like the taxpayers of Burleson County to understand that I have been diligently working to getting this issue fixed from the get go," she said. "I would also like everyone to understand that not everything that happens with tax statements is something that I can directly fix."

This is the same process that all county tax offices use since there is not enough manpower for one office to handle the amount of work and time that goes into processing tax statements, she said.

Lucero was asked what she would have done differently in that situation.

"I would have communicated more with the appraisal and software company to resolve issues ..." Lucero said.

Lucero also said she "would have made more announcements informing the people of Burleson County" about the issues.

Both were asked what they would do

jobs with proper training and education ..."

Lucero said, if elected, her plans is "to make sure that all phone calls are answered."

"Make a drop box for tax payments and registration payments," Lucero said.

And she suggests extended hours on certain days for Burleson County people that work the same hours as the tax office does or for out-of-town workers.

Both were also asked what more can be done to provide taxpayer services online.

Castaneda cited the new website mentioned previously.

They can also pay online through the website through certified payments, she said.

"At the moment, you cannot pay by electronic check, but the website is new and we are still working out some kinks," Castaneda said.

"In the near future, I am hoping to have electronic check payments available as well. This is something

that I am proud of because it has never been offered to the taxpayers of Burleson County before."

Lucero said "for services online, it would be great to have forms to download from the DMV beforehand to have filled out" when coming to the tax office.


And better sources of payments would be helpful to pay for registration and taxes for the county's taxpayers, Lucero said.

Both were also asked about any additional improvements planned to make the office more efficient.

Castaneda again mentioned the software conversion and staff training and said "my door is always open, and I would love to hear from any of Burleson County's taxpayers with any questions/concerns that they have."

Lucero said she "wants to be your Burleson County Tax Assessor that works for the Burleson County taxpayers."

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KAREN RHODES WAS HONORED by the Caldwell VFW Post No. 4458 as the K-5 Teacher of the Year. She was also recognized at the District level, which was a surprise for her at the local awards dinner last Thursday in Caldwell. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

VOD

FROM PAGE ONE with those placing in the area's Patriot's Pen essay contest and two local teachers as the area's Teachers of the Year.

Patriot's Pen winners included: Hadleigh Novosad, first place, \$500; Callie Fletcher, second place, \$400; Kyler Roskey, third place, \$300; Corbin Stewart, fourth place, \$200.

Novosad, Fletcher and Roskey did not attend due to their participating at a Beta Club Convention. However, family members attended, and Novosad's brother Hudson read her winning essay during the program.

Karen Rhodes was named Teacher of the Year for grades K-5, and Lisa Pieper was named Teacher of the

Year for high school. Each teacher received a check for \$100 from the post.

Rhodes also was recognized at the District level and was awarded an additional \$300 for her accomplishments in the classroom.

During the program, Lazo spoke about attending a naturalization ceremony at the Institute of Texas Cultures in San Antonio.

"The room was filled with individuals, couples, and families, all from wildly diverse backgrounds, each profoundly different than the next. On that day, however, all of our differences were overshadowed by something far more important: our shared love for America and our appreciation for all of the opportunities it has granted us."

"At the end of the ceremony, which was a humbling and unifying experience itself, the room was brought to tears of joy as over a hundred new U.S. citizens, along with their families and friends, stood together to recite the Pledge of Allegiance," she said.

"As I listened to the crowd recite the words of our pledge, words which I have heard and said thousands of times before, the true meaning behind them impacted me deeper than ever."

"Though it's easy to take our claim of 'liberty and justice for all' for granted, such freedoms are invaluable gifts which generations of Americans have fought bravely and unselfishly to achieve and uphold," Lazo said.

She said that it is "this spirit of solidarity and courage that makes America great, this shared ideal of sacrifice for the benefit of our country and the people in it."

Lazo said, "Even amidst the division and negativity so prevalent in news and media today, this noble spirit of true patriotism remains alive and well in America."

She spoke about "simple acts of kindness and integrity in everyday places like stores and schools, to the passionate exercising of our First Amendment rights on the street, to the ultimate sacrifice of our soldiers around the world, Americans are as patriotic, proud, and unified today as ever. Our differences, however marked they may be, are never stronger than our love for our country."

"We understand that however opposite our viewpoints, the passion behind them is fueled by our deep love for our country, and that is what makes us powerful," Lazo said.

"We are not just kind, though -- as Americans, we also share a spirit of bravery."

"Freedom can be frightening, because it brings about change, but we as a country have proved from the very beginning that we are unafraid of what the future brings. We rely on the simple fact that no matter what may come, we will face it together, and that our example will serve as a bright, guiding light in times of darkness, just as it has so many times in the past."

"As Americans, we have so much of which to be proud. We are a global superpower, renowned for our military, economic and

technological prowess, attracting the attention and admiration of the world. We have long been hailed the Leader of the Free World, and we have an unparalleled international in-

fluence. But it is not any of these prestigious honors which makes America great." Lazo said, "America's greatness lies in its people, in the day-to-day acts of unity, growth

and sacrifice which transcend all boundaries and define us as *one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.*"



CALDWELL VFW POST NO. 4458 held its annual Voice of Democracy/Patriots Pen awards dinner and program last Thursday. Pictured, from left, are Tina Smith and Tommy Miles from the Caldwell VFW Post No. 4458; Corbin Stewart, fourth place Patriots Pen; Sabine Lazo, first place, Voice of Democracy; and LaNette Boyd, VFW Post No. 4458 Auxiliary. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday



SABINE LAZO GAVE her winning Voice of Democracy speech during an awards dinner and presentation at the Caldwell VFW Post No. 4458. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday



HUDSON NOVOSAD read his sister Hadleigh's winning Patriot Pen essay during an awards presentation at the Caldwell VFW Post No. 4458. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday



KAREN RHODES, CENTER, won the K-5 Teacher of the Year from the Caldwell VFW Post No. 4458. She is pictured with intermediate interim principal Dianne Luna and Kim Pagach, CISD Director of Special Projects.



LISA PIEPER, LEFT, won the high school Teacher of the Year from the Caldwell VFW Post No. 4458. She is pictured with high school principal Vicki Ochs.

BOARD

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again, or new board members could be appointed.

One of the many contested races will be for mayor of the City of Caldwell -- the first contested mayor's race since 2006.

Mike Valigura has filed for mayor of Caldwell, challenging incumbent Norris McManus in the May 2 city election.

Also, the two Caldwell city council seats up for election will see a contested race. Both incumbent aldermen, Jonnie Vic Barnett and James C. Wilde, have filed but will be challenged by Janice Easter, Jessie E. Enrique, Jr. and Jason Rhodes.

The City of Somerville has three seats up for election: the seats for alderwoman Shelly Gotte and aldermen Don "Skipper" Murray II and Jeff Schoppe.

Gotte and Schoppe had filed along with Lucinda Murphy, Kay Cooper (Moravec), Erik Kline, Amanda Flencher, Deonna Strickland Moses, Fred Elliott, Barbara DeBolt and Carol Freeman.

For Snook ISD, the seats for Kristine Brisco and Melvin Schoeneman are up for election.

As of Friday, school board president Brisco and newcomers Trey Groce and David Charles Sebesta have filed.

Caldwell ISD board member seats for Pam Evans and William Foster will be up for election.

Both Evans and Foster have filed for CISD as well as Eric Boniol.

For Somerville ISD, James Douglas and Stanley Smith will be up for election.

Newcomers David L. Idlebird, Kimberly Dionne Casanova, Marcus Anthony Douglas, Kevin Ray Hoelscher and Brandon Keith Howe, have filed for the SISD election.

The City of Snook will have the only uncontested race with aldermen Eddie Green and Jared Snow filing to retain their seats and no one filing to challenge them.

The last date to register to vote in the May election is Thursday, April 2.

Currently, applications for ballot by mail are being accepted and will continue to be accepted until Monday, April 20.

Early voting begins Monday, April 20, and ends Tuesday, April 28.

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200-300 lb.	165 ⁰⁰ . 177 ⁰⁰	175 ⁰⁰ . 202 ⁰⁰
300-400 lb.	175 ⁰⁰ . 193 ⁰⁰	160 ⁰⁰ . 192 ⁰⁰
400-500 lb.	160 ⁰⁰ . 176 ⁰⁰	150 ⁰⁰ . 164 ⁰⁰
500-600 lb.	150 ⁰⁰ . 160 ⁰⁰	145 ⁰⁰ . 150 ⁰⁰
600-700 lb.	120 ⁰⁰ . 135 ⁰⁰	130 ⁰⁰ . 135 ⁰⁰
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Five Persons Sentenced in 21st District Court

The following persons were sentenced in 21st Judicial District Court on Monday, Feb. 10, with Judge Reva L. Towslee Corbett presiding.

*Earsel Brown, 51, of San Felipe; driving while intoxicated, third or more, third degree felony enhanced to a second degree felony; entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to three years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Institutional Division and ordered to pay a lab fee and court cost. He was granted 3 days jail credit.

*Dayronn Clyde McCowen Jr., 20, of Brenham; burglary of habitation - second degree felony; entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to six years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Institutional Division, ordered to pay restitu-

tion and court cost. He was granted 259 days jail credit.

*William Jonathan Orvis, 51, of Somerville; unlawful possession of firearm by a felon - third degree felony; entered a plea of guilty and was placed on five years deferred adjudication probation, ordered to pay a \$500 fine, court cost, court appointed attorney fee and a Crime Stoppers fee. Standard conditions of probation including 150 hours of community service restitution, urinalysis and drug/alcohol evaluation and any treatment deemed necessary.

*Melissa Marie Bird, 32, of Caldwell; injury of a child (two counts) - third degree felony; entered a plea of guilty to each count and was placed on five years deferred adjudication in each count, ordered to pay a \$750 fine, court

cost, court appointed attorney and a Crime Stoppers fee. Standard conditions of probation including 100 hours of community service restitution, urinalysis, drug/alcohol evaluation and any treatment deemed necessary and follow all visitation orders.

*David Alan Nevue-Jernigan II, 26, of Bryan; unauthorized use of a vehicle - state jail felony; entered a plea of guilty and was placed on three years deferred adjudication probation, ordered to pay a \$750 fine, court cost, court appointed attorney fee and a Crime Stoppers fee. Standard conditions of probation including 80 hours of community service restitution, urinalysis, drug/alcohol evaluation and any treatment deemed necessary.

DRUG

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large quantity of marijuana, 4.4 pounds, THC edibles, 114.7 grams, cocaine and drug paraphernalia, she said.

A firearm and over \$3,000 in cash was also seized, Labertew said.

Labertew said the search warrant was executed following a 10-day investigation by sheriff's investigators.

Brumley was arrested at the scene without incident after law officers executed the search warrant, she said.

Labertew said the dollar value of the drugs is estimated at \$10,000.

Labertew said the investigation is still ongoing, and it is unknown at this time whether there will be more arrests.

Two charged in drug possession

Two Galveston women were arrested at 2:36 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 10, on felony drug charges after a traffic stop by Caldwell Police Officer John Hammons.

Iris Fuentes, 35, and Angela Rena Stumpf, 37, were each charged with felony possession of a controlled substance in Penalty groups 1 through 3, and a misdemeanor possession of marijuana, said Caldwell Police Detective Chris Peschel.

Peschel said both were also charged with felony tampering with evidence.

The driver, a 43 year old Galveston man, was released to medics at the scene and was not immediately arrested, Peschel said.

Hammons made the arrest at about 2:36 a.m. after stopping a tan, Ford F-150 pickup, on the 200th block of State Hwy 36 N. for an expired registration, Peschel said.

Peschel said drugs found in the vehicle included methamphetamine, MDMA (ecstasy), carisprodol, gabapentin, and marijuana. They were found in the truck following a search, and the female passengers were arrested.

Sheriff Dale Stroud's Report

Highlights for the week of Feb. 10-16:

Monday, Feb. 10: Deputy Cheatham checked on a subject on CR 251; everything was OK. Sgt. Lednicki spoke with a subject regarding suspicious activity on St. Hwy. 21 East; information was taken. Deputy Cheatham put cows up on CR 122 and on F.M. 1362 North and on F.M. 60 West. Deputy Elswood put a cow up on F.M. 908. Sgt. Tillery put a cow up on St. Hwy. 21 West. Deputy Elswood responded to a possible burglary on Lazy Bar South Rd.; it was a civil matter. Sgt. Tillery and Deputy Elswood responded to a disturbance on Boysenberry Rd.; parties were separated. Sgt. Tillery checked an alarm on St. Hwy. 36 South; it was a false alarm.

Tuesday, Feb. 11: Sgt. Lednicki and Deputy Cheatham took a burglary report on St. Hwy. 21 East. Deputy Cheatham put cows up on F.M. 1362 North. Deputy Cheatham checked for shots fired on CR 227; everything was OK. Deputy Cheatham checked on a subject on F.M. 1361; no one was located. Sgt. Lednicki responded to a disturbance on Elm Dr.; it was settled on scene. Deputy Cheatham spoke with a subject regarding trespassing; advice was given. Sgt. Tillery and Deputy Elswood checked on subjects on Lakeview Lane; everything was OK. Deputy Elswood checked on a subject on F.M. 1361; everything was OK.

Wednesday, Feb. 12: Deputy Strouth responded to a disturbance on CR 233; parties were separated. Deputy Strouth spoke with a subject regarding fraud at the sheriff's office. Deputy Strouth put cows up on CR 333. Deputy Strouth assisted a subject on CR 251. Sgt. Lednicki checked for shots fired on Magnolia Dr.; nothing was located. Sgt. Tillery and Deputy Campbell checked on a subject on Broadgreen; everything was OK. Sgt. Tillery and Deputy Campbell responded to a disturbance on F.M. 2155; parties were separated. Sgt. Tillery and Deputy Campbell put cows up on St. Hwy. 21 West.

Thursday, Feb. 13: Deputy Strouth assisted EMS with a subject on Lazy Bar S Rd. Deputy Strouth spoke with a subject at the sheriff's office regarding a missing firearm; information was taken. Sgt. Tillery and Deputy Campbell assisted Caldwell PD with

an arrest on Stone St. Sgt. Tillery and Deputy Campbell checked for loud noise on CR 444 and on Cedar Creek Rd. Sgt. Tillery and Deputy Campbell assisted DPS and EMS with a minor accident on F.M. 60 East.

Friday, Feb. 14: Deputy Cheatham spoke with a subject at the sheriff's office regarding theft; information was taken. Deputy Cheatham assisted a motorist on St. Hwy. 21 East and on CR 334. Deputy Strouth took an animal bite report. Deputy Cheatham checked for suspicious activity on F.M. 908; nothing was located. Sgt. Tillery and Deputy Campbell assisted a subject on CR 210.

Saturday, Feb. 15: Deputy Strouth and Deputy Cheatham assisted EMS with a subject on Willow. Constable Muzny checked for suspicious activity on CR 106; nothing was located. Deputy Strouth put cows up on F.M. 60 South. Deputy Cheatham checked for shots fired on CR 318; nothing was located. Deputy Strouth responded to a disturbance on F.M. 2000; no one was located. Deputy Cheatham responded to loud noise on Big Berry Rd.; advice was given. Deputy Cheatham spoke with a subject at the sheriff's office; advice was given. Deputy Elswood and Deputy Campbell responded to a disturbance on F.M. 2155; it was settled on scene.

Sunday, Feb. 16: Sgt. Lednicki put cows up on CR 432 and on CR 473. Sgt. Lednicki and Deputy Cheatham responded to a disturbance on Oak Dr.; subjects already left. Sgt. Lednicki assisted DPS and EMS with an accident on F.M. 908. Sgt. Lednicki and Deputy Cheatham responded to a disturbance on Creek Side Circle; information was taken. Deputy Elswood checked for animal cruelty on Big Berry Rd.; everything was OK. Deputy Elswood assisted subjects on F.M. 60 East. Deputy Elswood and Deputy Campbell checked on a subject on Magnolia; everything was OK. Deputy Elswood responded to criminal mischief on North Berry Ridge; it was settled on scene.

TOTAL IN JAIL: 30

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Cooks Point Store burglary reported

Burleson County sheriff's deputies are investigating the burglary of Cooks Point Store last week on State Highway 21 East.

The break-in was reported at 6 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 11, said Sheriff's Investigator Christine Labertew.

The owner found the glass on the front door broken when he arrived, but it appeared that nothing was taken, she said.

The case remains under investigation as a felony burglary of a building, but there are no suspects at this time, Labertew said.

Theft at oil pad site investigated

Someone may have stolen some oil from an oil pad site last week off County Road 333.

The theft was reported at 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 14, by an oil company worker, said Burleson County Sheriff's Investigator Christine Labertew.

The theft occurred on the Lobrano oil pad, the lease company is

unknown at this time. A dollar value has not been determined for the oil stolen, and sheriff's deputies are still investigating, Labertew said.

Deputy Ethan Cheatham responded to the call and investigated at the scene. He has not gotten any more information at this time.

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Hearne man hurt in F.M. 908 wreck

A Hearne man was injured on Sunday, Feb. 16, in a one-car accident on F.M. 908 near County Road 317.

The accident occurred at 3:17 p.m. when Floyd Thomas Hafley, 85, was northbound alone in a 2013, white, four-door Buick car and failed to negotiate a curve, according to a report by DPS Trooper Justin Gilliam.

The accident occurred .1 of a mile north of the County Road 317 intersection.

Hafley traveled off the

road on the east side and struck a tree with the front portion of the car, the report stated.

Caldwell volunteer firefighters were dispatched to the scene to pull Hafley from the wreckage, and a CHI Burleson St. Joseph Health ambulance crew also responded.

Hafley was taken to CHI St. Joseph Health Center in Bryan by ambulance, suffering from a non-incapacitating injury, the report stated.

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the Lord for help" (Judges 6:6). This same thing applies to every one of us living today. We have to reach the point where we realize we can't get anywhere until we admit that we need God's help -- and seek it. That's the only

way we can begin to receive God's many blessings -- the ones that really count. Most of us who are still trying to follow in the footsteps of our Savior have at one time or the other cried out to God. And He has answered us.

When life doesn't unfold like we had it planned, it's like getting lost on a road trip and trying to get back on course. First we've got to admit that we're probably headed in the wrong direction. And being on a journey of faith,

we need to realize that we're human and can stray off course every once in a while. That's when humility becomes very important. We've got to admit that we're apparently not on the right course and need to lean on Christ and

letting His strength be our strength. Jesus looks at the heart. Is ours a willing and humble heart, or is it a rebellious one? Where God leads us may not be an easy course, but it's the right one! -- Buddy Preuss

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Casino Night doubles down on local fun for fundraising

Rotary Club gambles to raise \$10,000

The Rotary Club of Caldwell held its annual "Casino Night" on Saturday, Feb. 15, at the Burleson County Expo Center, and the community came out in droves for fun for a good cause.

The Las Vegas-styled event raised over \$10,000 for the organization.

Louemma Polansky of the Rotary Club said the number of those attending was down from previous years due to a wedding, a Project Graduation event and other activities going on around the county, however she believes the night was a success in spite of the small number.

"Those attending had a great time," she said. "People enjoy having something different to come to as a fundraiser -- it's different than the

normal raffle or dance." Polansky said proceeds from the event will help fund several scholarships to Caldwell High School seniors and send a girl and boy student to Camp RYLA.

The proceeds also help fund the club's projects such as a free rabies clinic each year, sponsoring the CES Book Fair and paying for each kindergartener to receive a free book, sponsoring the "My First Book" for CES first-graders, building wheelchair ramps and other projects, she said.

The evening included Texas Hold'em Poker, Three Card Poker, Caribbean Stud, Let it Ride, blackjack, craps, roulette and slot machines.

Each ticket holder received \$5,000 in gaming chips and had the opportunity to purchase

more during the evening.

The event began with a catered dinner, and a snack table full of goodies was available during the entire evening.

At 7 p.m., the games began and ran until 9:45 p.m.

At the end of the game play, each person exchanged their gaming chips for drawing tickets for many prizes.

Polansky said that this is the only fundraiser the Rotary Club holds, and "we're not going to change much about what we do," she said.

"We will continue to hold the event because to give back to the community, we have to raise money."

"Hopefully, next year, we won't have all the scheduling conflicts we had this year," Polansky said.



SLOT MACHINES WERE SOME of the featured Las Vegas-styled games at this year's Caldwell Rotary Club Casino Night. The event is the annual fundraiser for the organization.



THE CALDWELL ROTARY CLUB'S Casino Night featured many Las Vegas-styled gaming tables such as this craps table. Many attended enjoyed the annual fundraiser. -- Tribune photo by Roy Sanders.

Sales tax revenues up for Burleson County

Cities of Caldwell, Snook, Somerville see double-digit increases

Sales tax revenues were up for Burleson County in Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar's latest monthly report.

And, the cities of Caldwell, Snook and Somerville also reported increases in sales tax revenues from the previous year's totals.

The report was based on sales made in December by businesses that report monthly.

Burleson County

Burleson County's December 2019 receipts were up 4.5 percent from December 2018's receipts of \$134,074.93 with February's tax allocation check of \$128,294.54.

City of Caldwell

Caldwell's December 2019 receipts were up 35.9 percent to \$206,828.94 from \$152,181.35 last year.

City of Somerville

Somerville's \$29,473.62 in December 2019 receipts were up 21.03 percent from \$24,351.52 last year.

City of Snook

Snook's \$7,546.16 in December 2019 receipts were up 26.59 percent from last year's total of \$5,960.87.

Statewide

Overall, Texas counties will receive \$1.04

billion in allocations for February, up 9.4 percent from February of last year, according to the comptroller.

These allocations are based on sales made in December by businesses that report tax monthly; October, November and December sales by quarterly filers; and 2019 sales by businesses that report tax annually. Christmas shopping that typically occurs in November was shifted into December due to the relatively late date of Thanksgiving 2019, helping make this month's allocations substantially higher than in previous months, a trend that is not expected to continue.

State sales tax revenue totaled \$3.08 billion in January, 8.9 percent more than in January 2019.

"Growth in state sales tax revenue was led by receipts from the retail trade and information services sectors, while receipts from oil and gas-mining were down from a year ago," Hegar said. "January retail trade sector collections were higher than a year ago in part because more Christ-

mas shopping days fell in December. Collections also were slightly boosted by marketplace providers and remote sellers, who first began collecting Texas sales taxes in October."

The majority of January sales tax revenue is based on sales made in December and remitted to the agency in January. Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in January 2020 was up 6.6 percent compared to the same period a year ago. Sales tax is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 57 percent of all tax collections.

In January 2020, Texas collected the following revenue from other major taxes:

* Motor vehicle sales and rental taxes: \$471.0 million, up 10.6 percent from January 2019.

* Motor fuel taxes: \$308.9 million, up 1.3 percent from January 2019.

* Natural gas production taxes: \$131.0 million, down 14.4 percent from January 2019.

* Oil production taxes: \$395.7 million, up 44.1 percent from January 2019.

FFA shows animals at Fort Worth show

Members of the Caldwell FFA chapter competed in January in the Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo.

Four students from the Caldwell FFA

Chapter competed and exhibited multiple, different animals.


The results were as included:

* Laramie Pieper, second place Shorthorn

in his class.

* Tess Homeyer, second place Brahman in her class.

* Tristan and Halle Ballard - Goat exhibitors.



My name is David Hildebrand. It has been my honor and privilege to serve as your Burleson County Commissioner for Precinct 3 with proven leadership and I would like to continue being your County Commissioner.

I am a lifelong resident of Burleson County. My wife, Deborah, and I have a son Clayton and his wife Amy along with their children, Tristan, Cort, Evan and Emilee, and our daughter Mary Nowak.

Family is a big part of my life and that is how I look at Burleson County. I take my responsibilities very seriously and try to do what is best for the residents of Burleson County.

I have a great crew who works with me. We strive to keep our roads in good condition. Although some roads may appear to get neglected, they will be addressed as weather and funds available permits without having to raise the tax rate. It also helps to have a good working relationship with the County Commissioners Court and we certainly have that.

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MODEL

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24 through March 4. Though this will be his first trip to Paris, he has been part of the New York Fashion Week for several years -- walking the runways,

being in photo shoots, "anything to get me some exposure," Jonah said.

Jonah started modeling when he was 15 years old, and is an experienced "pro" in the New York show, walking for his fifth show

this year.

Jonah said that trying to get modeling jobs is much like "trying out for football or basketball."

He said, "You have your comp cards which have your height, your waist size and pictures

of you on it, and then you give it to the casting director of the whole show. After that, you have to walk for them, so they can see if they like your style and see if they want you to walk in any of their clothes."

Jonah said the designers then fit the clothes to each model's comp card after being selected.

Jonah's grandmother Connie added that he has also walked in many shows in Houston, and even went to a casting call in Austin over the weekend.

Jonah said he has to stay in shape to be cast, but it's not easy due to his love for food.

He said, "They really don't want your waist size above 34 inches for men. And, it's hard for me because my family likes a lot of fried food and eats a lot."

Jonah said that he made a deal with his father for them to work together to eat right and better portions -- for his father's health and for Jonah's career.

He said he also does exercise, but "you don't try to get big and bulky, you just try to stay in shape," so running is a major part of his exercise routine, and he enjoys running with fellow Caldwell classmate Joel Skrabanek.

Jonah said that while playing sports he's fractured a foot, hyperextended his knee and had a concussion, but his focus on modeling is more important than his love for football, which he gave up so that he wouldn't get injured again and interfere with his modeling.

Jonah said that he also has to be mentally prepared at casting calls.

He said, "You get nervous. You get the jitters. But, the thing that helps me is going into the restroom and splashing water on my face and telling myself that 'you're a Manzi. You can do this. You don't back down from anything.' That's what my dad's taught me --



CALDWELL HIGH SCHOOL student Jonah Manzi will walk the runway as a model during Paris Fashion Week later this month.

you never back down." Jonah's relationship with his father is very important to him, and the support he has gotten from his family has helped him succeed along his journey.

His grandmother gets him to his modeling appointments, and Jonah's father has been supportive of him since his first show.

He said, "Looking out there and seeing him there made a real big impact."

Jonah said that his father was his coach growing up.

"It was just sports. If we were to see models and fashion people, we would be like...oh...oh, no. So when he showed up, I went from being real nervous to feeling comfortable and I felt like I could do this," he said.

Though, Jonah said he never saw himself mod-

eling as he was growing up, he now sees his goal as to "get a big contract with a big company."

Jonah knows that for his dream to happen, he needs to stay grounded and keep friends and family around him who encourage him to follow his dream. And the new friends he has made in Caldwell has helped keep him focused.

He said that he has learned through his modeling experience that "if you like something enough and you want to do it, then pursue it. Don't belittle yourself and say 'I can't do it. I really want to, but I can't.' Put yourself out there. You'll be amazed."

And, Jonah flies out of Houston on Feb. 26 for Paris Fashion Week and will return home March 2 to continue to follow his dream...

Chief Wise runs for Milam Co. sheriff

Somerville Police Chief Craig Wise is running in the Milam County Republican Party Primary for sheriff.

Wise, who has been Somerville's chief for two years, is seeking the position now held by Republican Chris White, who is running for re-election.

Also running in the GOP Primary is H.L. "Herbie" Vaughn.

No Democrats filed for the election, so the winner of the Republican Primary will be unopposed in the November general election.

Wise, a Milam County resident, said he decided to run because residents there asked him to.

If elected, Wise said he will continue serving as Somerville's chief until his term as sheriff begins on Jan. 1, 2021.

In the meantime, he will work with Somerville city officials to find a replacement and to help the new chief with a smooth transition, he said.

If he is not elected, Wise said he plans to continue serving as Somerville's chief.

Dr. Ralph Wood of Baylor to speak at Civic Center

Dr. Ralph Wood of Baylor University will speak at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 29, at the Caldwell Civic Center on the topic, "C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien: The Two Most Important Christian Writers of Our Time."

The lecture will last about 45 minutes and will conclude with questions from the audience along with coffee and desserts afterwards.

Dr. Wood likes to say about his boyhood home of Linden in Cass County in East Texas that he grew up "behind the pine curtain."

After graduation from high school, Dr. Wood earned degrees from East Texas State University in Commerce (now Texas A&M Commerce) and a Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. Dr. Wood has taught at Baylor University since 1998 in both the Religion Department and the Great Texts program.

A deacon and a lay minister, Dr. Wood has spoken to numerous religious and secular gatherings about Flannery O'Connor, Christian Literature, in addition to the great



DR. RALPH WOOD 20th century Christian apologists and writers C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien.

Lewis is most well known for his books "Mere Christianity" and the "Chronicles of Narnia" series. Tolkien's seminal work, "The Lord of the Rings" became a major motion picture trilogy 15 years ago.

First Baptist Church of Caldwell is proud to host Dr. Ralph Wood and welcomes all who wish to attend.

If anyone has questions or wants to reserve a seat, please call Nathan Giesenschlag at (979) 219-1315 or the First Baptist Church office at (979) 567-3646 for more information.

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In the short time that I have been in office, I have launched a new website for the tax office which allows taxpayers to see the current status of their accounts and have access to their current tax statements and receipts at all times. Recently I have been looking into converting to the same software company as the appraisal district to avoid future software issues. If elected, my goal is to become more taxpayer friendly by embracing current technology to improve customer service.

With your support, I look forward to working towards my goals, while continuing to serve this county that I have always been proud to call my home. I humbly ask for your vote on March 3, 2020, to continue my journey for you and the rest of the citizens of Burleson County.

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Lady Jays win District 26-2A title

Easily defeat Granger in bi-district round of UIL Class 2A girls basketball playoffs 56-24



SOMERVILLE'S XADRIA MARTIN blocks a shot by Snook's Jaivan Stringfellow during the Snook-Somerville district game last Tuesday night in Snook. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

In a true district title game, the Lady Jays were victorious over their cross-county rivals the Lady Yeguas 29-14 last Tuesday night in Snook.

Both teams played tight defense, but Snook's offense was able to make a few more shots into the net to have an undefeated 10-0 district season.

Tuesday's game, began evenly matched in the first quarter, with Snook taking a one-point lead by the end of the frame.

The Snook offense began to pull away during the second quarter, led by Jaycie Brisco and Jaivan Stringfellow, each with four points for the quarter.

After a slow offensive third quarter where Snook edged Somerville by one basket 4-2, the Lady Jays' Kaitlyn Kindt sparked the fourth quarter, leading Snook on an 8-2 run for the 15-point win.

Snook was led in scoring by Brisco with 10 points.

Other scorers for the Lady Jays included: Kindt, six points; Natalie Vacha, six points; Stringfellow, four points; Riley Green, two points; Kamree Walker, one point.

Somerville's Gabby Komasovic led the Lady Yeguas offensively with four points, and her sister Emma and Maddie Cooper each scored



SNOOK'S JAYCIE Brisco takes a shot over several Granger players during the Lady Jays' bi-district win on Monday in Cameron.

three points for the Lady Yeguas.

Other Somerville scorers were Ra'Maya Carter with two points and Halle Stevens and Xadria Martin, each with one point. With a 30-5 overall record, the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches (TABC) has Snook See WIN, page 3B



ISAAC SALAZAR backhands the ball at the Rockdale Tiger Classic Tennis Tournament on Friday. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

CHS tennis win boys, girls, mixed doubles

The Caldwell varsity tennis team played at Rockdale on Friday in the Tiger Classic Tennis Tournament with four of Caldwell's five entries taking home trophies or medals.

In boys doubles, the duo of Luke Chaplin

and Isaac Salazar won first place by beating Brashear and Cardova from Cameron in a close tiebreaker in the opening round 9-8(9-7) and then winning against Barton and Hall of Cameron in the finals 6-1, 6-2.

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Somerville Yeguas hold on for 41-34 win over Snook Jays

Somerville secures playoff position

The Somerville Yeguas celebrated a historic win over Snook last Tuesday -- 41-34 on the road and securing a playoff spot.

Somerville, improving to 17-10 overall and 4-4 in district play, defeated Snook for the first time since the 2014-15 season, and made the playoffs for the first time since the 2013-14 season.

It was also the Yeguas first win in Snook in over a decade.

Somerville controlled the game with defense and never trailed, although Snook rallied to tie the score at one point.

Somerville led 20-14 at halftime and 29-24 after three quarters.

Yeguas Head Coach Billy Ramey said "our defense was the difference in the game."

"We did a great job of staying together and finishing the game," Ramey said. "It was a total team effort again."

Ramey praised the play of Arvis Burns, coming back from an injury.

"As a good point guard should, he controlled the tempo and

pace of the game," Ramey said. "He led all scorers and had a good floor game."

Ramey said Johnny Legg scored, rebounded and played great defense, and Garrison Ballard, the team's only senior, "really deserved to finally get a win at Snook."

"Like always, he played very well for us and had some timely assists, finding Arvis and Johnny, and he got some really big steals," Ramey said.

Ramey also praised Dominic Tucker for his defensive play and Jesus Espinoza for being physical and for making free throws.

Brandyn Carter gave the team great energy, and Verkobe Woodberry' rebounding and blocking out were crucial, he said.

Snook Head Coach Travis McFarland said both teams ground it out in a tough defensive game, but the Bluejays did not shoot well, particularly at the three-point line or at the free throw line.

Somerville shot 72 See B-BALL, page 2B



DOMINIC TUCKER blocks a shot by Snook's James Young during their game last Tuesday night. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

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ranked Number 15 going into the University Interscholastic League (UIL) Class 2A Girls Basketball Playoffs, where the Lady Jays met Granger for their first round game in Cameron on Monday with Snook coming away with a 56-24 win.

Snook took an early commanding 18-6 lead and never looked back, winning by 32 points.

Brisco was the game's leading scorer with 17 points.

Also scoring in double-digits for the Lady Jays was Green with 10.

Other scorers for Snook were: Stringfellow, seven points; Walker, six points; Vacha, six points; Avery Kovar, six points; Kyleigh Hruska, two points; Kindt, two points.

Faith Scruggs led the Granger offense, nailing three three-pointers for nine points in the game.

Snook will take on the winner of the Mason-Sabinal bi-district game later this week.

Somerville was scheduled to play Thrall in Giddings on Tuesday,



SNOOK'S KAITLYN KINDT dives for the ball, fighting to gain possession. Snook beat Granger 56-24 Monday night in Cameron during their bi-district round game. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

Feb. 18, for their bi-district game with the winner to take on San Saba in the area round later this week.

Check *The Tribune's* Facebook page for updates on both the Lady Jays and Lady Yeguas' playoff schedule.



SOMERVILLE'S MADDIE Knox shoots over Snook's Kamree Walker during their final district game last Tuesday night in Snook.



GRANGER PLAYERS, FAITH Scruggs and Carsyn Bilbrey, attempt to strip the ball away from Snook's Kyleigh Hruska during the Snook-Granger bi-district game Monday. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday



SNOOK'S RILEY GREEN and Avery Kovar attempt to defend Somerville's Gabby Kovasovic taking a shot during the Snook-Somerville district game last Tuesday. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday

UIL AWARD RECIPIENTS for Snook Junior High School were recognized at the monthly Snook School Board meeting. Pictured are, back row, Alexis Macik, Aubrey Becker, Jamea Blake, Marissa Batiste, and Brenda Krchnak; and, front row, Caden Schluens, Gabriel Lacaze, Olivia Valdez, and Ben Mynatt.



PLEDGE LEADERS for Snook Elementary School for January were John Carr, fifth grade, and Audrey Webb, Pre-K. They recited the Pledge at the school board meeting.



THE SPELLING BEE winner for Snook Elementary School was recognized at the Snook School Board meeting. Ben Mynatt was the Spelling Bee champion.



SNOOK ISD VASE STUDENTS competed on Saturday, Feb. 8, at Bryan High School. Vase is a TAEA-sponsored visual arts event recognizing exemplary high school student artwork. Student artwork is ranked from one to four with a four advancing to area judging. Students in the top photo, from left, are Danny Davila, Diego Bernal, Frida Mota and LaTrcich Waldon. In the bottom photo is Jennifer Ruiz, and Joanna Dickey, who received a four rating.

Request for Proposals

Snook ISD is soliciting proposals for selection of a Contractor to provide fencing services for the district. The job is site located at 10110 FM 2155, Somerville, Texas 77879. Questions and Proposal packets can be obtained from:

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RFP's will be received at the administration Office of Snook ISD located at 10110 FM 2155, Somerville, Texas 77879 Attn: Brenda Krchnak, Superintendent on or before February 28, 2020, at 2:00 p.m.



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LEGAL NOTICE

SOMERVILLE ISD is soliciting proposals from qualified persons or companies for track resurfacing and grading improvements, roofing and masonry repairs. Proposals shall be submitted to the Somerville ISD Administration Office, 625 8th Street, Somerville, Texas 77879, by 2:00 p.m., Friday, March 6, 2020. Information regarding submission of proposals may be obtained by contacting the SISD Program Manager, Gallagher Construction, Attn: Todd Lewis, 214-912-4134 or tlewis@gallagherctx.com.

TENNIS

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Aletza Torres and Skylinn Johnson won the girls doubles title by beating Ybarra and Dorantes of Cedar Park-Bastrop in the first round 8-6. They then beat Aguilar and Alford from Giddings 8-1, and won the championship match against Kull and Bodiford from Thorndale 6-1, 6-2.

In mixed doubles, the team of Adolfo Gaucin and Neva Cravens won first place by beating Huner and Meraz from Thorndale in the first round 8-0, and went on to beat Muniz and Muniz from Cameron 8-1 and Faske and Schneider from Lexington in the finals 6-0, 6-1.

Leo Gaucin and Autom Chaplin won consolation title in mixed doubles. They beat Briones and Rubio of Thorndale in the first round 8-1, but then lost to Thompson and Meza of Cedar Creek 6-8. They then won against Muniz and Muniz of Cameron 8-1 and Faske and Shneider of Lexington 6-0, 6-1 to win the consolation title.

Teams attending the tournament were Caldwell, Cameron, Cedar Creek of Bastrop, Giddings, Jarrell, Lexington, Rockdale and Thorndale

The JV team will play in a dual against Franklin on Feb. 20, and the Varsity team will play in the Liberty Hill Invitational on Friday, Feb. 21.

Lady Hornets beat Bellville in final game

The Lady Hornet basketball team won their final game of the season at home in a classic manner.

After trailing by eight points in the first quarter, the Lady Hornets mounted a 16-4 run to lead at halftime, and then held off a late surge by the Brahmanettes to earn the 49-44 win.

Bellville jumped out to a first quarter 13-5 lead before Caldwell took a 21-17 lead into halftime.

Caldwell's offense continued to click during the third quarter, outscoring Bellville 19-5.

In the fourth, the Brahmanettes did all they could to erase the 18-point deficit from the first three quarters, scoring 22 points to Caldwell's nine, but fell short, losing to the home team 49-44.

Caldwell was led in scoring by Aiyliya Bell with 14 points. Daisha Denson added 12 points.

Other scorers for the Lady Hornets included: Ja'Asia Mathis, eight points; Aalayiah Jones, eight points; Andrea

Flores, five points; Macy Taylor, two points.

Bellville's Taytum Poppe was the game's leading scorer with 16 points.

With the UIL Class 4A playoffs underway, the District 26-4A results Navasota and La Grange tied for first place at 9-1, Giddings and Smithville tied for third place at 4-6, Caldwell in fifth at 3-7 and Bellville in sixth at 1-9.

Navasota won the tie-breaker against La Grange to be seeded first from the district for the playoffs, and Smithville won the tie-breaker over Giddings for the third seeding.

The Number 12 Lady Leps beat Wharton on Monday in first round, and the Lady Rattlers fell to Fulshear.

The Lady Tigers were scheduled to play El Campo on Tuesday, Feb. 18, in Columbus, and the Lady Buffs were scheduled to play Royal on Tuesday in Columbus.



CALDWELL VARSITY TENNIS competed at the Rockdale Tiger Classic Tennis Tournament on Friday. Pictured, from left, are Leo Gaucin, Autom Chaplin, Isaac Salazar, Luke Chaplin, Neva Cravens, Adolfo Gaucin, Aletza Torres and Skylinn Johnson.



CALDWELL'S ALETZA Torres and Skylinn Johnson placed first in girls doubles at the Rockdale Tiger Classic Tennis Tournament on Friday. -- Tribune photo by Denise Hornaday



CALDWELL'S LEO Gaucin and his mixed doubles partner Autom Chaplin won the mixed doubles consolation title at the Tiger Classic Tennis Tournament on Friday in Rockdale.

Hornets take 2nd at Tourney

Hannah Blaha wins tournament title

The Caldwell Lady Hornet golf team placed second, just one stroke behind Bellville, in the Caldwell Hornet Invitational Tournament on Friday, Feb. 14, at Copperas Hollow Country Club, and Hannah Blaha was the tournament champion.

Caldwell finished with a team score of 398, just behind tournament champion Bellville's 397. La Grange placed third with a 437.

Blahe was tournament champion with a score of 88, finishing ahead of Grace Mudra of Bellville, 91, and Cassie Moses and Callie Fishbeck of Bellville who tied for third. Bishbeck won a one-hole playoff to take third.

Also competing for Caldwell was Maegan Schneider, 97, Priscilla Olivarez, 102, Harlee Taylor, 108, Rachel Novosad, 111, and Alexis Zalobny, 112.

In the boys tournament on Thursday, Feb. 13, Caldwell placed fifth out of seven teams with a score of 423.

La Grange won the tournament with a team score

of 350, followed by Brenham, second, 362, and Bellville, third, 397.

Grant Juno of La Grange was the tournament champion with a two over par 74. Braeden Behrens of Giddings was second with an 81, and Wesley Neuendorf of Brenham

was third with an 83.

Caldwell's Marshall Armstrong placed seventh overall with a score of 88.

Also competing for Caldwell was Sam Waldrip, 100, Braden Norman, 116, and Jessie Enrique and James Coston, 119. Caldwell Head Coach

Justin Hale said the team was grateful to Copperas Hollow Country Club for hosting the tournament and for rescheduling due to weather.

The boys and girls were scheduled to play on Feb. 24-25 at the La Grange Invitational.



THE CALDWELL JV tennis team played in the Mustang Invitational in Madisonville on Feb. 4, with the boys doubles team of Alejandro Zapata and Christian Kouatli placing second after giving the title place win to a team from Rudder by default due to having another sports commitment. Not pictured is Felipe Silos who placed third in boys singles.

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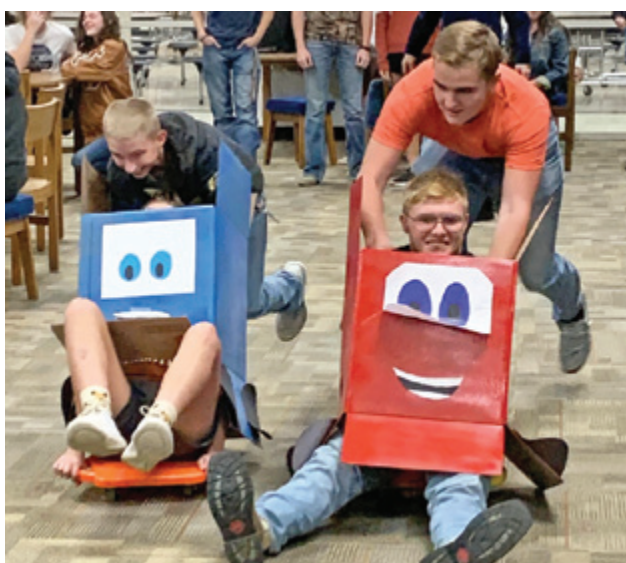
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Delaynie Drgac, Dre Dunbar and Cameron Suehs help with the BCFA tour guide by playing ag bingo.



Marshall Armstrong, Dyson Drgac and Kyle Pecht competed on the Radio Broadcasting team. They placed second at the contest and advanced to state for the first time in chapter history.



Dyson Drgac and Gavin Anglin take on two other FFA members in an ice breaker at a monthly meeting. The theme for the monthly meeting was Cars so the ice breaker tested the members teamwork maneuvering around obstacles inside a model car.



American Degree recipients, Abby Homeyer and Lani Pieper earned the highest degree in the FFA in the fall in Indianapolis.



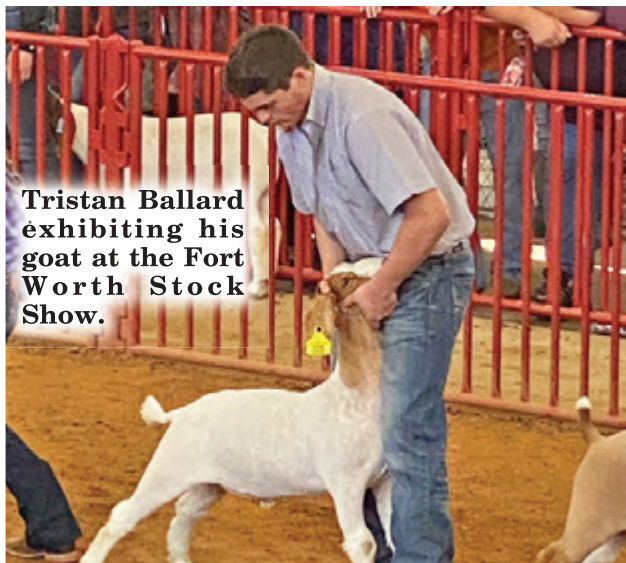
Laramie Pieper, Grace Fritcher, Macy Narro, Cameron Rutherford and Garrett Tittle placed fourth at the Brazos Valley District Senior Skills Demonstration LDE competition. They demonstrated proper injection techniques of animals.



Chapter member, Halle Kocian placed second in the Job Interview LDE competition at district and third at the area level.



Chapter officer, Cameron Suehs competed in the Brazos Tractor Technician Invitational.



Tristan Ballard exhibiting his goat at the Fort Worth Stock Show.



Olivia Supak volunteers to help at the BCFA Pet Show by helping kids make cat and dog toys.

Jason Barker, a is showing off his San Angelo Stock blue ribbon.



Logan Kneseck and Jenna Johnson along with Karen Turner show the boxes the chapter donated filled with supplies for the Operation Christmas Child program.



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The 2019-2020 Somerville FFA Officers include: Kailey Eldridge, Gabby Kvasovic, Riley Eldridge, Austin Horsley, and Ross Dubois. Not pictured is Natalie Shupak. Advisers are Greg Moore and Jonathan Meurin. These students have participated in the Burleson County Fair, Burleson County Ag Breakfast, Burleson County Ag Awareness Day for the Youth. Also, some will be in many of the Major Stock Shows of the 2020 year.



William See, a freshman, proudly represents Snook FFA with his blue ribbon winning Ranch gate at the Fort Worth Stock show and Rodeo.



Snook FFA Members participated in the Brazos Valley FFA District Leadership Development Events this past November. The Radio Broadcasting team consisting of Kaitlyn Kindt, Sierra Sebesta and Colby See placed 4th. Greenhand Quiz team placed 6th, team members were MacKenzie Groce, Caleb See and John "William" See. The Senior Quiz Team consisting of Jalee Baumann, Kyleigh Hruska, Sierra Sebesta and Colby See placed 9th.



Kaitlyn Kindt and Sierra Sebesta, of the Snook FFA Chapter, was awarded the Lone Star FFA Degree at the 91st annual Texas FFA State Convention held July 15-19 in Fort Worth. The Lone Star FFA Degree is the highest degree bestowed by the Texas FFA.



The 91st Texas FFA State Convention was held in Fort Worth this past July. Members of the state's largest agricultural youth leadership organization spent the week attending leadership workshops, participating in events and activities, being recognized for their achievements, and serving as the legislative body for the Texas FFA Association. Attending from Snook FFA was: back left to right Jason Barker, Brandon Sprouse and Chevy Barker; front left to right Kaitlyn Kindt and Sierra Sebesta.



Snook FFA's Tractor Technician team received first place at their area contest, and will be advancing to the state contest held in March at The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. The Team consists of Jason Barker, Justin Supak, and Brandon Sprouse.



Konnor Eldridge, a junior, is demonstrating with judges at the San Angelo Stock show about the F-150 Flatbed that he built. Brandon received a blue ribbon for the project.



Brandon Sprouse, a senior, is speaking with judges at the San Angelo Stock show about the F-150 Flatbed that he built. Brandon received a blue ribbon for the project.



Snook FFA Senior Members Colby See, James Young, David Davis, Kaitlyn Kindt and Qwanterrius Young participated in the Brazos Valley FFA District Day of Service held in Hearne. Students worked around downtown Hearne cleaning and planting flowers.



Senior Snook FFA Members Kaitlyn Kindt and Sierra Sebesta are pictured with their Agriculture Science Teacher Rachel Bentke (far left) and County Extension Agent John Grange (far right) at the 2020 Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo. Kindt exhibited an Angus heifer, while Sebesta exhibited her Santa Gertrudis heifer.



A junior at Snook Secondary is working on his Hay Feeder Trailer at the stock show. He was awarded a blue ribbon.



Snook FFA Greenhand members attended the Brazos Valley District Greenhand Camp in Hearne this past September. The purpose of the Camp is to provide a way for students to come together to learn leadership skills, engage in activities that foster ethical behavior, give students the skills to facilitate workshops, build and foster an area culture, demonstrate social responsibility and inspire a commitment to excellence. Those who attended were: back row William See, Amanda Weichert, MacKenzie Groce, Caleb See, Alondra Garcia and Seth Groce; front row Nadia Garcia, Cason Pitts and Carmen Miller.



Snook FFA Officers for the 2019-2020 school year are: starting with back left Brandon Sprouse - Student Adviser, Jason Barker - Reporter, Colby See - Treasurer, Riley Green - Sentinel, front left Chevy Barker - Chaplin, Kaitlyn Kindt - Vice President, Kyleigh Hruska - Secretary, and Sierra Sebesta - President. By taking a major leadership role, these students grow from the experience and benefit the chapter. It should be the officers' goal to lead by example and encourage other members to participate in chapter activities.

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LADY HORNET GOLFERS include, from left, Priscilla Olivarez, Rachel Novosad, Hannah Blaha, Alexis Zalobny and Maegan Schneider.

Lady Hornet softball finish scrimmages against Rockdale

Season begins this week vs. Bastrop, Milano

The Lady Hornet softball team was unable to play their Tuesday scrimmage against Lexington due to heavy rainfall, but were able to get their final scrimmage of the season against Rockdale in on Friday night at Lady Hornet Field.

Caldwell scored the first run of the game when Alayna Hart tripled to center field with one out and then scored on a wild pitch.

Rockdale answered in the top of the second, scoring one run on a double, a sacrifice bunt and a Caldwell infield error.

In the bottom of the second inning, Mercedes Rodriguez walked to lead off the inning, and Jacey Vykukal, her courtesy runner, stole second base, reached third on a passed ball and then

scored on an infield error by the Lady Tigers -- making it 2-1. Rockdale answered with four runs in the top of the third inning on four hits, one hit batter and four Caldwell errors.

Then, the Lady Hornets scored five runs in the bottom of the third -- with a solo home run from Hailey Vess, doubles from Hart and Emerson Faust and singles from Paige Odenbach and Rodriguez.

The Lady Hornets earned six more runs in the fourth inning due to a double from Vess, three walks, a hit batter and two Rockdale errors.

Vess lead off the top of the fifth inning with her third hit of the night: a triple to center field. Hart singled in this inning, also.

Rockdale answered by scoring a lone run in the top of the sixth inning to end the night with six runs.

Coach Wendy Weis said, "We started out a little slow tonight but really turned it on mid-scrimmage."

"Hailey Vess, Alayna Hart and Emerson Faust had some great hits on the night, and Paige Odenbach and Hart also made some nice defensive plays for us."

"Now we have to put it all together and get ready for our first official game against Bastrop on Monday," Weis said.

Caldwell was scheduled to host Bastrop on Monday, Feb. 17.

Next, the Lady Hornets will travel to Milano on Friday, with the varsity only playing at 4:30 p.m.



PRISCILLA OLIVAREZ TALKS to Caldwell Head Coach Justin Hale at the Caldwell Invitational Golf Tournament on Friday.



JAMES COSTON watches this putt.



ALEXIS ZALOBNY putts for Caldwell.



MAEGAN SCHNEIDER concentrates on this putt at the Caldwell Invitational.



SAM WALDRIP DRIVES this shot on the first hole on Friday at the Caldwell Invitational.



JESSIE ENRIQUE watches carefully after this putt at the Caldwell Invitational.

Caldwell ISD menu

The following is the menu for the Caldwell Independent School District for Feb. 24-28:

Lunch, Elementary, Intermediate:

Mon., 2/24: Chicken Corn Dog, Cheesy Beef Lasagna, Ham and Cheese Wrap.

Tues., 2/25: Beef Fingers, Patty Melt Sandwich, Turkey and Cheese Sandwich, Gravy.

Wed., 2/26: Crunchy Chicken Taco with Spanish Rice, Beef and Bean Burrito, Chicken Wrap.

Thurs., 2/27: Baked Chicken, Cheeseburger, Ham and Cheese Sandwich.

Fri., 2/28: Pepperoni Pizza, Cheese Pizza, Turkey and Cheese Wrap.

Lunch, Middle School:

Mon., 2/24: Beef Flour Tacos, Chicken Tacos, Cheeseburger, Chicken Sandwich, Chicken Tenders.

Tues., 2/25: Chicken Tenders Potato Bowl, Swedish Meatballs, Beef Nachos, Chicken Nachos, Chicken and Chili Crispito, Gravy.

Wed., 2/26: Carne Asada Torta, Fish Nuggets, Cheeseburger, Chicken Sandwich, Popcorn Chicken.

Thurs., 2/27: Chicken Parmesan, Beef Nachos, Chicken Nachos, Chicken and Chili Crispito.

Fri., 2/28: Chili Hot Dog, Lemon Fish Filet, Cheeseburger, Chicken Sandwich, Chicken Tenders.

Lunch, High School:
Mon., 2/24: Garlic Chile Chicken with

Brown Rice, Sweet and Sour Chicken with Brown Rice, Meatball Sub, Cheeseburger, Chicken Sandwich, Chicken Tenders, Beef Nachos, Chicken Nachos, Chicken and Chili Crispito.

Tues., 2/25: Grilled Cheese Dog, Macaroni and Cheese Dog, Chicken Fajita Melt Panini, Hamburger, Chicken Sandwich, Chicken Nuggets, Beef Nachos, Chicken Nachos, Beef Quesadilla.

Wed., 2/26: Chicken Nugget Potato Bowl, Beef Fingers Potato Bowl, Grilled Cheese with Tomato Soup, Cheeseburger, Chicken Sandwich, Mini Chicken Corn Dog, Beef Nachos, Chicken Nachos, Pork Tamales with Refried Beans and Rice, Gravy.

Thurs., 2/27: Chicken Parmesan, Pepperoni Calzone, Chicken and Turkey Panini, Chicken Fried Steak Sandwich, Chicken Sandwich, Popcorn Chicken, Beef Nachos, Chicken Nachos, Cheesy Beef Tacos, Chicken Tacos, Carne Guisada Corn Street Tacos, Beef Corn Tacos, Chicken Corn Tacos, Cheesy Carne Guisada Tacos.

Fri., 2/28: Fish Jambalaya with Cajun Rice, Chicken Jambalaya with Rice, Toasted Italian Melt Panini, Bacon Cheeseburger, Chicken Sandwich, Beef Fingers, Beef Nachos, Chicken Nachos, Chicken and Chili Crispito.


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SOMERVILLE YOUTH BASKETBALL PLAYERS PLACED THIRD at the Primary Boys Tournament in Buffalo. Pictured are, Jeremy Burns, Landyn Vela, Bentley Bolden, JaKayvion Vela, Eli Romero, Elijah Pleasant, Mason Vela, Joshua Vela (coach) and Jeremy Vela (coach).



COACHES JEREMY AND Josh Vela talk to the team at the Little Dribblers Primary Boys Tournament in Buffalo. The team took third place out of 16 teams and finished with a 10-2 season.

Somerville Little Dribblers place 3rd at tournament



SOMERVILLE YOUTH BASKETBALL PLAYERS placed third at the Primary Boys Tournament in Buffalo. Pictured from the left are, Jeremy Burns, Landyn Vela, Bentley Bolden, JaKayvion Vela and Eli Romero. Not pictured are Elijah Pleasant and Mason Vela.

The Somerville Little Dribblers, a group of Somerville youth basketball players consisting of first and second-graders, placed third out of 16 teams in the Primary Boys Tournament over the weekend in Buffalo.

Teams competed from North Zulch, Anderson, Leon, Buffalo, Centerville, Normangee, Mumford and Somerville.

Their first game on Tuesday, Feb. 11, was a huge come-from-behind victory of the hosting town, Buffalo Purple 15-14. They traveled back to Buffalo on Fri-

day, Feb. 14, and picked up another victory of 13-5 over Anderson Shiro.

Somerville started Saturday, Feb. 15, with a hard fought 25-23 win over Normangee before suffering their first loss in the winners bracket final by 26-20 loss to Leon.

Their next game was the semifinals on Saturday, Feb. 15, where they couldn't beat the hometown favorites, Buffalo Purple, a second time and suffered a 23-30 loss.

A win would have put them in the championship, but the loss re-

sulted in a third place finish.

Players on the Little Dribblers team are, Jeremy Burns, Landyn Vela, Bentley Bolden, JaKayvion Vela, Eli Romero, Elijah Pleasant and Mason Vela.

Coaches are, Joshua Vela and Jeremy Vela.

Coaches said that the kids learned a lot and got a great experience after what they called a very successful tournament.

They conclude the season at 10-2 and are very excited about what next year will bring.

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FROM PAGE ONE
sanitary sewer system. Also included for phase two will be the resurfacing of the town center area.

The bond projects are part of a broader plan by Somerville City Administrator Danny Segundo for capital improvements that will also address facilities management, water and sewer utilities issues and park improvements.

However, the bond election will address only the projects listed above.

The council has considered issuing certificates of obligation for street reconstruction without voter approval, but local residents urged more

citizen input and a local election.

In other business at the Feb. 11 meeting, Mayor Michael Bradford presented Dustin Knesek with the 2019 Steve Hodges Outstanding Citizen Award.

The award is presented to individuals who serve unselfishly for the betterment of the community.

Knesek was recognized for his personal service at Pazdral Park, where he has improved field conditions. The award states that Knesek's efforts have made the park one of the nicest facilities in the Burleson County Little League.

In other business at the Feb. 11 meeting, the council:

- * Met in executive session from 6:49 p.m. to 7:18 p.m. and took no action after recovering into open session.

The agenda stated they were to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee and to deliberate the Welch Park lease.

Segundo had no comment after the executive session on the personnel matter. Regarding the Welch Park lease, Segundo said the council had previously approved extending the lease with some revisions. He is continuing negotiations with Welch Park Enterprises on those issues, he said.

- * Approved a contract with R Construction Civil, LLC, of Buffalo for a State Highway 36 water line replacement phase three project.

R Construction Civil was the low bidder at a

cost of \$306,624.

The project is funded with a \$381,105 conservation grant by the Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District, and the city's engineers, Jones & Carter of College Station, have estimated the project cost at \$339,000.

- * Approved authorizing Segundo to solicit costs for a 15-minute fireworks display for the city's July 4 event.

The cost last year was \$5,000, and the city pays for the fireworks display from its hotel-motel tax fund.

- * Approved an interlocal agreement between the city and the DPS for the failure to appear program for the municipal courts.

- * Approved a resolution supporting the efforts of SDR Investments, LLC. Somerville Plaza Apartments is being considered for acquisition and substantial rehabilitation by SDR Investments, LLC.

SDR Investments will submit an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to obtain Affordable Housing Tax Credits to assist in the financing of the rehabilitation, according to a memo by Segundo.

- * Approved a specific use permit for James and Janet Spears at 727 Third Street for placement of a HUD code manufactured home, subject to certain conditions.

At the last council meeting, the council voted to revise the wording of its Manufactured Home Ordinance to permit the placement of a manufactured home on the same property as an existing

residential structure, if the property size is at least one acre, and the request is specifically approved by the council.

An amended ordinance was also approved by the council at the Feb. 11 meeting, to allow a manufactured home on their property.

- * Heard citizens comments.

Howard Faust asked if he could get a key to the Citizens Collection Station so he could dump after hours. Segundo said he could not provide a key because he would have to give everyone a key. Therefore, he must address the city council on a future agenda.

Cesar Mora addressed the council with a request for building permits to build a house. After meeting with Segundo and Code Enforcement Administrator Kathy Pollock, he was told he must build 80 feet of road about 20 feet wide, he said. This is required because of a city ordinance passed on Dec. 10, 2019.

Mora meets the definition of a developer, and it falls on the developer to extend utility services and road improvements to the property, Segundo said.

Mora said he is requesting building permits without having to build the road.

On another matter, Martin Gustafson urged the council, when discussing the bond election, to ensure that everyone get an understanding. He said he did not think it should be a bond but a certificate of obligation, although it is up to the council to decide.



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