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OC Dem leaders don't fear Trump's watchers

DAVE ROGERS
For The Record

President Donald Trump undoubtedly was suffering some effects of early-stage COVID-19 when he said it last Tuesday.

And it has certainly gotten lost in the weekend hubbub caused by his Friday announcement that he had the disease that he's often downplayed while it killed more than 200,000 Americans.

But his call during his televised debate with Joe Biden for "my supporters to go into the polls and watch very carefully" to make sure ballots aren't "manipulated" in the Nov. 3 election was chill-



Smith

ing. His comments followed similar remarks by his campaign.

Donald Trump, Jr., said in a video that he needs, "every able-bodied man and woman to join the army for Trump's election security operation."

News stories immediately pointed out that Trump supporters risk violating a host of state laws along with federal statutes rooted in a 19th century law designed to counter voter suppression tactics used by the KKK. Two 20th century laws, the Vot-

ing Rights Act and the Civil Rights Act, prohibit attempts to intimidate, threaten, coerce or interfere with anyone trying to vote.

Longtime Orange County Democrats do not expect any incidents at the polls.

Early voting begins next

Tuesday, Oct. 13 and continues through Oct. 30 at four Orange County early voting locations, then 33 polling sites will host the county's 34 precinct boxes on Nov. 3, Election Day.

"I don't anticipate any problems in Orange. Our

election people are totally professional, we've always gotten along really well with the Republicans," John Cash "Jack" Smith, county Democratic Party chairman, said.

"Heck, I bring them stuff to eat. I bring goodies. I give them to everybody. I don't

just give them to Democrats. They're nice people. I know a lot of them. I just don't agree with them."

Before Trump spoke at the Sept. 29 debate at Cleveland, earlier in the day, a deputy

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LSCO Gators qualify for national tournament



Jack Tindel, left, and Brett Fregia of Lamar State College Orange's Fishing Club finished 11th in last weekend's FLW Tournament on the Ouachita River in Louisiana to earn a spot in the FLW National Championship tournament in March.

They are the second LSCO duo to qualify for the FLW Nationals, joining teammates Trent Buchholz and Grady Doucet.

Tindel and Fregia next be fishing in the BASS National Championship tourney Oct. 29-31 at Leesburg, Florida, an event for which they qualified last fall.

Other members of the LSCO team are Dagan Leger, Trace Moore, Jaithen Burns and Kooper Abernathy.



The City of Bridge City honored Mayor Pro-Tem Lucy Fields Tuesday night, with mayor David Rutledge, left, presenting her a certificate of appreciation for her help during Hurricane Laura.

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Bridge City mayor David Rutledge, left, presents a certificate of appreciation to Mike Reed for his above-and-beyond help to the city during Hurricane Laura.

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Bridge City thanks hurricane helpers

DAVE ROGERS
For The Record

The Bridge City Hall council chambers were full again Tuesday night – at least as full as they could be with the seats spread far apart for social distancing.

Not only did COVID-19 forced the monthly city council meetings to move to telephones, but there was a little thing called Hurricane Laura at the end of August.

October's meeting featured lots of thank-yous from Mayor David Rutledge and the city to the folks who helped the city get days with-

out electricity and for some the loss of property uprooted by winds of nearly 100 miles per hour.

"I want to thank the staff and all of our employees for working really hard during Laura," Rutledge said. "Even though it was a minor hurricane relative to others we've encountered, it still takes the same amount of work and dedication to planning and execution to make it work."

"I think the citizens are so well-served at this time, I think we're spoiled."

City Council gave out spe-

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Trailblazing commish set for 97th birthday

DAVE ROGERS
For The Record

Orange County's first and for-a-long-while only mother and daughter team of county commissioners have a date Sunday, Oct. 11.

Former Precinct 2 Commissioner Marcelle Adams and her daughter, current Precinct 2 Commissioner Theresa Beauchamp are going out to dinner in Houston to celebrate Adams' 97th birthday.

"My grandson, Brad Beauchamp, is cooking my birthday dinner," bragged the woman who twice beat three opponents in elections and served Orange County from 1987-94 as its first female commissioner.

"Beaumont still has never had a female commissioner," she said, referring to Jefferson County.

Theresa Beauchamp, daughter of Marcelle and her late husband Al, is Orange's third female commissioner. She and her husband, Frank, are driving to their son's



Marcelle Adams, Orange's first female county commissioner, left, was on hand to see her daughter, Theresa Beauchamp, sworn in as county commissioner Jan. 1, 2019.

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home for the birthday party.

Maybe. "She just got her driver's license renewed two weeks ago," Beauchamp says of her mother. "The man said, Ms. Adams, I'll see you in two years to renew it again."

"Can you believe that?" Adams was busy playing bridge Tuesday afternoon. "I stay so busy," she said.

"All my old friends who used to play bridge with me are dead, but now I've got new friends with the generation beneath those."

"I play bridge one or two times a week and go to Sunday school every week. I have a lot of fun."

Marcel Adams moved to Orange in 1941 so her dad could work in the shipyard.

She was just out of high school and soon met her husband, to whom she was married for 57 years.

"When I was four my mother went to work in the lab at DuPont," Beauchamp said. "That was something women didn't do."

"She's a blessing, and I'm so fortunate that she's still here. She has been a role model for me all my life. I was the only child and had a wonderful mother and dad."

Speaking of Theresa, a former school administrator who served 11 years on the Orange city council, Marcelle's eyes twinkle when asked to appraise the job she's doing for the county.

"You know better than to ask a mother," she prefaced her remarks. "I think she's really doing good, I really do. She answers the calls and goes out and helps the people any way she can."

Reversing the question, Beauchamp marveled at her mom.

"She's accomplished a lot, a

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TEXAS NEWS

Texas colleges offer free Covid-19 tests, students reluctant

Sami Sparber
The Texas Tribune

Texas colleges and universities spent the summer months bulking up their testing capacity to catch COVID-19 outbreaks fueled by students who are infected but don't show symptoms.

The University of Texas at Austin said it could test up to 5,000 asymptomatic students, faculty and staff weekly. Texas A&M University trumpeted a similar goal of testing more than 5,000 students each week — about 7% of the student body. And the University of Texas at El Paso, with about 25,000 students, said it had the capacity to test up to 2,500 campus members weekly.

But halfway through the semester, schools are reporting participation rates far below their goals, prompting at least one school to go so far as to offer prizes to students who volunteer to get a coronavirus test.

UT-Austin, which has more than 50,000 students, has only required students to be tested before attending football games. During the first five weeks of the semester, the school had the capacity to test 25,000 community members but tested only 8,870 — an average of about 1,770 per week. That included the 1,198 students tested for the first home football game on Sept. 12.

"Why aren't we testing 5,000 people per week? The answer, in part, is that we have fewer than 5,000 people a week who have been willing to take the tests," reads a Sept. 28 memo from the UT-Austin Faculty Council.

Texas A&M conducted 6,195 tests in its first two rounds of random testing through Sept. 12. Meanwhile UT-El Paso, which tested 6,691 campus members from Aug. 17 to Sept. 18, has yet to break 2,000 weekly tests, the El Paso Times reports.

Experts say routine testing

is crucial to stomping out "silent spread" on college campuses, as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates 40% of COVID-19 infections are asymptomatic. And school officials rely on the results to get an accurate snapshot of the community's health.

Major Texas universities have already mandated rigorous testing regimens for athletes, and some schools in other parts of the country require students and employees to get tested multiple times a week. But if the goal is to identify people who might trigger an outbreak on campus, waiting for students and staff to volunteer to get tested "doesn't make a whole lot of sense," said David Paltiel, a professor at the Yale School of Public Health.

"Frankly, I think the whole idea is flawed from the get-go," Paltiel said. "Unless you're going to have a routine program that you require the entire population to adhere to, I just don't know what you're doing."

School officials are stopping short of calling testing participation a problem, even as they work to increase it.

Shawn Gibbs, dean of the School of Public Health at Texas A&M, said participation is "pretty much what we expected it to be."

"Our participation rate isn't low," he said. "We always would like higher participation, and we're in the process, like everyone else, of taking a look at the students who aren't participating and trying to figure out ways to incentivize participation."

At Texas A&M, that means appealing to "selfless service," one of the Aggie core values, and emphasizing that the saliva-based tests are free, quick and easy, Gibbs said. The flagship College Station campus reported 144 active cases as of Sept. 29.

UT-Austin's goal is to test 1,000 asymptomatic people

per day, and participation is gradually building in that direction, said Michael Godwin, program director of the university's proactive community testing. Monday was "a really great day," he said, with close to 700 people coming out. The flagship reported 67 estimated active cases as of Sept. 30.

To boost participation, the school is launching an incentive program, with raffle prizes for students including \$50 gift cards to local and national vendors, Godwin said. The university has also enlisted professors to make class-wide announcements and deployed ads on Canvas, its online learning platform.

UT-Austin faculty participation in the testing has been "very low," according to the Sept. 28 Faculty Council memo.

"I don't think anyone expected to see 5,000 people in the first week," Godwin said. "It takes a little bit of time to get the word out, to get the process set up and working well, and ... we'll continue to build on what we have and get more people in the door to get tested regularly."

Mandatory testing at Baylor

Students might dodge invitations to test for a number of reasons — especially if they don't feel sick, said Diana Cervantes, an epidemiologist at the University of North Texas Health Science Center. Students may also be avoiding the inconvenience of quarantines in the event they do test positive.

"Let's say I think I had a high-risk exposure and I think that testing positive is going to mean something detrimental to me, maybe I'd decide not to get tested," Cervantes said.

Julia Elder, a UT-Austin master's student, said she has not taken the university up on its offers to get tested because she worries about being exposed to the virus during her

appointment. Elder hasn't eaten in a restaurant or socially interacted with anyone since March. She takes online classes and only leaves the West Campus apartment she shares with her twin sister to pick up food.

Some universities are making testing mandatory.

At the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, students and employees must get tested twice a week. They're testing about 10,000 people per day, and reporting positivity rates below a half of a percent. The university feels "very confident" in its plan, in part because it's mandatory, said Rob-in Neal Kaler, associate chancellor of public affairs at UIUC.

"Our data scientists showed if you tested the vast majority of people twice a week ... that would be enough to slow the spread, to keep potential outbreaks under control, and to let you know about them quickly enough that you can deal with them," Kaler said.

"But that only works if it's mandatory testing. And it only works if you're testing basically the entire population, which is what we decided to do," she added.

In Texas, Baylor University is one of the only institutions to require testing. The private Christian university chooses 5% of students and 5% of employees for mandatory testing each week; failure to comply may result in disciplinary action.

Unlike other Texas universities, Baylor also required a negative test from students and employees before they returned to campus in August. The school reported 62 active cases as of Oct. 1.

"We felt ... we needed to make it mandatory partly because there was some concern if people were left on their own, they would not want to be tested," said Jim Marsh,

dean for student health and wellness at Baylor. He added that even though the testing is mandatory, the school gives students raffle prizes such as meal vouchers, football tickets and scholarships for participating.

Legality in question

So far, none of the major public universities in Texas require testing — though some have left the door open.

Godwin said state law restricts UT-Austin's authority to require testing "as a prerequisite to accessing any kind of educational benefit, or work, in the case of faculty and staff."

"We are following the advice of the Office of the Attorney General," UT spokesper-

son J.B. Bird said in an email. "State universities have not been delegated the authority to mandate testing as a requirement for pursuing an education."

A spokesperson for the Texas attorney general's office said they can't comment on whether it's legal to require students to get tested because the office hasn't been asked to give an official opinion on the matter.

For now, school officials hope their messaging and prizes will turn out more students, though Elder, the UT master's student, questions whether it will be enough.

"Anything short of a reduction in tuition, there's no incentive they could provide anyone for getting tested," Elder said.

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Orangefield 2020 Homecoming Court



Members of the Orangefield High School Homecoming Court are: Back Row: Football Beau Tyler Washington, Football Sweetheart Bailee South, Freshman Finley Green, Sophomore Jalynn Alfaro, Junior Ashleigh Greenwood, Band Sweetheart Kathryn Scott, and Band Beau Bode Fountain Front Row: Seniors Hadley Psencik, Codie Sorge, Ryden Stanfield, and Bella Morgan. The Bobcats will host Liberty Friday night.

LCM 2020 Homecoming Court Senior Group



Seniors, back row from left, Traevin Nelms, Jesse Doucette, Cameron Smith, Oscar Dorantes, Colton Smith, and Brandyn Leboeuf. Madeline Stephenson, Reese Cricchio, Lizzy Delafuente, Semma' Alhatri, Emily Day and Faith Stanley are on the front row. October 9 is the Homecoming game for Little Cypress-Mauriceville High School and the Battlin' Bears will take on Huffman.

"I'm home and safe and filled with the comfort of being somewhere I've already been. The ruckus of homecoming is brutally enjoyable and everyone makes me feel like a champion. And all I had to do was stay away long enough."

Miguel Syjuco, "Ilustrado: A Novel"

No Fear From Page 1

sheriff had to escort Trump's Pennsylvania director of elections out of an elections office in Philadelphia, when officials said he was being disruptive, according to a report by Politico.

"I've been in politics all my life, I have worked the polls and I've never had an issue like that," Flo Ederly, former Justice of the Peace and longtime Democratic Party worker, said.

"There's been a time that people have called the chairman and said that people who are handing out flyers supporting the candidate are getting too close to the ballot box. But we never had to call the law."

Smith pointed out that Orange, Texas is not Philadelphia, a Democratic stronghold in a battleground state that could decide the election.

"I'll be surprised if anything like that happens," Smith said

of the disorderly official's ejection in Pennsylvania. "If it does, I will, of course, get very active and very vociferous."

"But I don't believe it. The people in Orange County are decent people. I don't believe they're going to do it."

Ederly and others have said polls are normally staffed by an election judge, an assistant election judge and several poll workers. In Orange County at least, having a law enforcement officer present at polling places has never been part of the setup.

"The deputy sheriffs aren't called unless there's a problem," Ederly said. "Each party has poll watchers. If there's a problem, the poll watcher notifies the Republican [county] chairman, or the Democratic [county] chairman."

By Texas law, poll watchers must be appointed by a candidate or a political party and they must meet numerous

other criteria. Poll watchers are allowed to look for violations of state law, such as campaigning within 100 feet of a polling place, tampering with election equipment or bribing voters. Violations are then reported to the election judge at that polling place.

Poll watchers are not allowed to do anything other than watching. They cannot talk to voters, communicate with voters in any way or be inside a voting booth. They cannot leave without the election judge's permission.

Deborah Bednar, treasurer of the Orange County Democratic Party, said she expected a marked rise in the number of poll watchers this year.

"We do have the option to

have a poll watcher, but in past elections, we haven't had many," she said. "I think this year there are more people interested in being poll watchers and will seek that training. There is training to be a poll watcher. It's online training; you can do it pretty easily."

"People can approach Tina Barrow [Orange County elections administrator] and let them know they are interested in being a poll watcher. In Orange County, we have a pretty dependable election office and registrar.."

David Covey, Orange County's Republican Party chairman, did not return a phone call seeking his input to this story.

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whole lot," Theresa said. "She's so well respected, a good Christian woman."

Religion is important, Marcell Adams said she prepared to celebrate the 97th anniversary

sary of her birth.

"My key to growing old is to put God first," she said. "Have a lot of friends, and stay active. Don't sit around waiting to die."

Hurricane Helpers From Page 1

cial awards to two public safety officials who played a big part in shepherding the city through the storm - Carman Apple, district coordinator for the Texas Division of Emergency Management, and Capt. Michelle McDaniel of the Department of Public Safety.

"These two folks helped us out behind the scenes and nobody knows about it except us," Rutledge said of the two women. "But they did such a good job for us that we just couldn't let this go unrecognized."

Apple and McDaniel received certificates of appreciation as did council members Mike Reed and Mayor Pro-Tem Lucy Fields.

Reed, a member of the Transportation Department for Bridge City ISD, set up and oversaw the operation of a Point of Distribution for after-storm relief efforts at Bridge City Intermediate School.

Hurricane Laura was a Category 4 hurricane tracking straight for Bridge City and Orange until a late turn to make landfall in Louisiana.

"When we started, we didn't know how bad it was going to be. But we knew if it knocked out electricity or water, the essentials, then we knew we were going to need someone who could help us set up our POD," Rutledge said.

"The person that came to mind for that is a school district employee. He has access to the building, equipment, you name it, so he's the perfect choice for this. I called Mike and said, 'Can you help us out on this?' and he said, 'Sure. When do you need me there.'"

"Mike showed up, set it all up. I think the first when we first got there, Mike brought one of the air-conditioned buses from the school and ran it all day long for the [Na-

tional Guard] guys to get cooled off.

"I think that was a kind of a rarity at that time. Mike took care of them even better than they were getting it at other places around."

"Mike was a valuable asset to everybody involved. He made my job great."

Fields and fellow members of the Bridge City Chamber of Commerce put together a much-appreciated meal for the city workers.

"After we got into it a little bit," Rutledge said of the Hurricane Laura aftermath, "we were surprised one afternoon when a group of ladies in red blazers showed up with a pot of gumbo that was huge."

"They fed all the people that were working. The police department came down. Everybody was in here eating. We really had a great time."

Fields had an easy explanation.

"You know I love to cook," she said. "Our city crews were so amazing. They

worked so hard and looked exhausted and so I just really wanted to say, 'Hey, thanks a lot,' and show our appreciation."

"And some of the Chamber ladies helped."

Said Reed: "It's a pleasure to be able to help. Especially when you work for the school district and you're associated with the city to kind of be the liaison between the two."

"The city and the school district have always worked together. We work well together and I was just proud to be able to do it."

The council's business agenda was light. They approved two ordinances required by the federal government to receive grant contracts.

Mike Lund reported that the city had federal grant money available for 75-80 homeowners needing new sewer lines but that only a couple of weeks remained to apply. People should call for Lund at city hall, 409-735-6801.



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St. Mary's Art Club Take On 'Special Project'



Staff Report For The Record

The art club and art students from St. Mary Catholic School have been working on a special project for Texas Total Care Home Health & Hospice (TTC). TTC provides home health, palliative care to patients in homes or facilities, as well as community outreach. The art students created and matted artwork for over 100 patients. Student's hope this will comfort the patients to know someone is thinking about them during these trying times, especially when only a few visitors are allowed into the nursing homes.

Liz Mazzola Oliva, volunteer coordinator and St. Mary Alumna, and Amber Jones, Community Educator, came to pick up the art work. The eighth-grade class was on hand to greet the employees from Total Care Home and Health. Joining them were new class-

mates from Our Lady Catholic School in Sulfur, La. These students have temporarily joined our school due to the damage OLS suffered during Hurricane Laura. We are blessed to be able to accommodate them under such tragic circumstances and pleased to have all the new students in our classes.

The St. Mary Art Club is under the direction of Cindy Claybar, art teacher. Katie Sanders, St. Mary principal and Mrs. Claybar have been corresponding with Liz Mazzola Oliva about the school's first Learn and Serve Project. All the students were eager to be a part of the exciting event and enjoy doing projects that involve service to others in our community.

The newly elected Art Club Officers are: Lauren Corrao-President, Kiera Howington-Vice President, Catherine Doan-Secretary, Thomasina Nguyen-Treasurer, Victoria Cole-Advisor and Allie Broussard-Chaplain.



FBC Bridge City opens Pumpkin Patch

Church members and other volunteers, including some high school football players, formed a human chain Wednesday afternoon to unload an 18-wheeler from New Mexico and set up the church's Pumpkin Patch on West Roundbunch Road. Pastor Keith Royal says the pumpkin sale, which benefits the church's water-well drilling mission work, is open from 10 a.m. to dark on weekdays, from 9 a.m. to dark Saturdays and from noon to dark on Sundays while supplies last. Pictured are: Carol Marsh a volunteer who helped unload pumpkins and FBC member Darrel Segura.

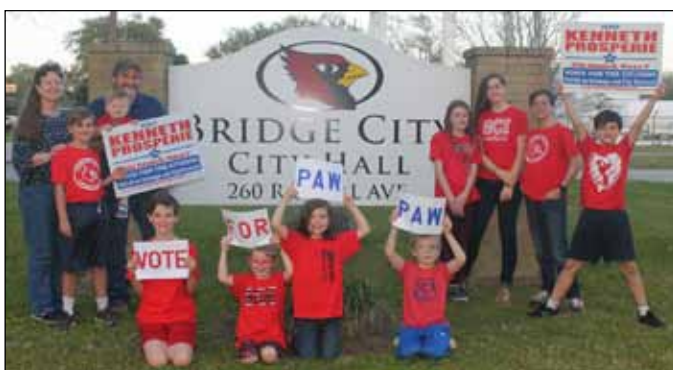
Prosperie issues statement of candidacy for Bridge City Council, Place 2

The following is a political statement issued by Kenneth Prosperie a candidate for Bridge City City Council, Place 2:

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My name is Kenneth Prosperie. I am retired from Gulf Oil/Chevron after 29 years of service. My wonderful wife, of 38 years, and I have lived in Bridge City for over 22 years. We have enjoyed raising our three amazing children in our small community of Bridge City at 819 Sunnyside Drive. And, our children have blessed us with ten grandchildren.

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Kenneth Prosperie and family.

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I will also keep a close eye out for any profit agendas that are not in the best inter-

est of our City, those that may even lower our property values and lower the safety of our families and citizens. I will be independent, impartial, and responsible to our citizens and always have the best interest of the citizens of the entire city! If you elect me, I will be a very active council member who will show up and check out all issues that arise.

You are actually not voting for me, you are voting for you! So, please get out and vote!

Thank you!

Kenneth Prosperie

SETRPC to host free hazardous waste and scrap tire event in BC

Staff Report For The Record

On Saturday, October 24, 2020 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission (SETRPC) is hosting a free Household Hazardous Waste and Scrap Tire Collection Event. The event will be held in the Bridge City Intermediate School parking lot, located at 1029 W. Roundbunch Road, in Bridge City.

The event is open to all southeast Texas residents. During this free event, the SETRPC collects items that could pose health and environmental risks if disposed of improperly. According to Bob Dickinson, Director of Transportation and Environmental Resources Division, "The average home can accumulate 100 pounds of hazardous waste in a garage or in the cabinets at home. It's imperative that Southeast Texans take a proactive approach in properly disposing these items not only to protect their own health but the quality of life in our region."

The SETRPC will accept household hazardous items including paints, cleaners, anti-freeze, car batteries, used oil, insecticides,

swimming pool chemicals, and much more. "It's not acceptable to throw batteries, paint, or other hazardous waste in a trash can. Once these items get to the landfill, they release pollutants which contribute to poor air quality. Southeast Texans are encouraged to do their part to protect the health of their neighbors and the environment by properly disposing of their hazardous waste during this free collection event," says Shanna Burke, SETRPC Executive Director.

The SETRPC will also collect scrap tires at no charge for the first eight tires. A cash disposal fee of \$1.00 is required for each additional tire - oversized tires are not accepted. Materials not accepted during this event include; electronics, appliances, oversized tires, explosives, ammunition, garbage, scrap metal, mercury, smoke detectors, exit signs, medical waste and medications/pharmaceuticals. The HHW event is a program of the SETRPC through a grant provided by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

For more information about items accepted during this event call 409 899-8444 ext. 7520.

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David Mathis
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Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation. (Revelation 5:9)

Jesus Christ is a king unlike any other king. Mere human monarchs have their strengths and weaknesses, their fortes and flaws, the particular glories for which they are remembered and the inevitable inadequacies they wish to be forgotten. Yet the man Christ Jesus — not only truly human but also truly God — eclipses and far surpasses every one.

Jesus is worthy of more than a singular crown. As King of kings, and Lord of lords, and Glory of glories, he is worthy of many.

Lord of Love

For one, King Jesus has demonstrated in history — objec-

tively, in time and space — his allegiance and affection for his people in the sacrificial action of dying for them.

When Christ's subjects consider his love, we are not left to speculate about the subjective. Rather, we look to the concrete demonstration of his love for us, and his Father's love for us in him, at the cross: "God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8). Behold his hands and side!

In his glorified body, the risen Christ carries, visibly, the marks of crucifixion in the scars of his hands and side that forever exude his love for his people. One day we will see his "rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified." No act of love is greater than the Son of God himself not only becoming man but a servant, and humbling himself all the way to death, even death on a cross, to reconcile to himself not the good and righteous but us sinners. The depths of our need, and the length to which he went to rescue us, show us the heights of his love.

Lord of Life

But demonstrating his love, by giving himself to death for sinners, would have been tragic were he not Lord of life able to triumph over the grave. We would have no eternal life were he not alive for us to be joined to him. But he is not dead; he is alive.

As Creator, "In him was life" (John 1:4), and now as the resurrected one who has conquered death, we have new life in him, the very life of his resurrection, life that will not die. As Jesus said to Martha when she was grieving the death of her brother — and Jesus was about to raise him — "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die" (John 11:25-26).

Earthly rulers will come and go; they have life for a while, as long as King Jesus sees fits to grant it, but they are not its lord. But Jesus is the Lord of all life, from the beginning to the end,

from before the foundation of the world to eternity future, from the new birth until the new heavens and new earth.

Lord of Heaven

In his resurrection life, Jesus is not only Lord over all earthly lords. He now reigns as Lord of heaven. Not only has he, as human, been admitted to heaven following his ascension, but he has come forth to the very center to sit with his Father on the throne of the universe. In the greatest enthronement ceremony in all history, surrounded by the angelic hosts, the crown of heaven has been placed on his head, and his Father has given King Jesus the scepter to rule the nations.

And as Lord of heaven, he does not stand but sits. It is a mark of his glory that he now sits. He is seated on heaven's throne. In the old-covenant arrangement, "every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet" (Hebrews 10:11-13). As Lord of heaven, he sits with his Father on "the throne of God and of the Lamb" (Revelation 22:1, 3).

Lord of Years

Finally, among endless other glories, Jesus is Lord of time. "He was in the beginning with God" (John 1:2), and "he is before all things" (Colossians 1:17). And with his coming to earth, he split history in half. Without him, there would have been no time and history. Heaven's worship declares him to be the one "worthy . . . to take the scroll [of God's purposes in history] and to open its seals" (Revelation 5:9).

The apostle Peter tells us of King Jesus's sovereign reign

over time: "Do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day" (2 Peter 3:8). He is not slow, as we're prone to reckon slowness and grow impatient, but he is patient, not eager for any to perish but to come to repentance (2 Peter 3:9).

But soon enough he will come again, and all in a moment, like a thief (2 Peter 3:10). Time is his. The years are his. He is attentive to every year and hour, every month and minute, and in his perfect timing, he will destroy the ungodly (2 Peter 3:7) and bring this fallen age to an end, and usher his people into the new heavens and new earth in which righteousness dwells (2 Peter 3:13).

Thy Matchless King

Jesus is indeed a matchless king, and by faith and the power of his Spirit, he is our King. We not only look on his glories from a distance but we admire him as a brother, as a friend, as those who are known by him, and know ourselves loved by him.

There is no king like Jesus. He is worthy of many crowns.

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WHICH WAY TO GO...

CAPT. DICKIE COLBURN For The Record

What a difference a week can make. "Last Monday I was hoping I could catch a few decent bass in the bayou or maybe a redfish or two in Coffee Ground Cove," said Jarrod James, "and now its hard to choose between Sabine Lake and Toledo Bend!"



Dickie Colburn

He and his wife, Carley, decided on Toledo Bend and caught fifty white perch and a pile of two to five pound bass in two days. They apparently made the right decision.

Jason said they caught white perch as quickly as they could lower a black-chartreuse tube jig over the side of the boat in twenty-four feet of water. "The mornings were cool and we weren't hitting the water until nine o'clock. The bite never slowed down and most of the fish we kept were a pound or better.

In the afternoons they drifted the flats between Six Mile and Housen from four o'clock until dark and caught and released solid bass the entire time. "I thought about you when we were catching those bass because we caught every fish on the old Whipporbill y'all used to fish back in the day."

I fished it out of self-defense. It was pre-Wacky worm and if you didn't fish it, Luther White would embarrass you at the cleaning table. The Whipporbill was the name Luther attached to the lure which was actually a spoon bill Rebel.

It was all about long casts and even longer drifts. After initially getting it down to the desired depth with several quick cranks of the reel handle, it was simply a continuous repetition of allowing the lure to float upward and cranking it right back down. In all honesty, it was both frustrating and amazing watching him and his clients wear me out day after day.

How many techniques and lures that worked so well no longer have a place in the tackle box? I can understand the profound impact of technology and how much it has done to reveal deep water hot spots, but a lot of bass still reside in six to twelve feet of water!

I was fourteen years old before I discovered that Crème even made a six-inch worm without two in-line hooks and a propeller. It's not like I knew what to do with a worm that wasn't pre-rigged and in looking back, it was probably a mistake abandoning that original worm forever.

The same can be said for the Near Nuthin. That tubular chunk of plastic with a bucktail was easily one of the most deadly school bass lures ever invented. I don't believe there

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Mustangs, Cardinals chalk wins

GERRY DICKERT For The Record

The Bridge City Cardinals picked up their first win of the season, Little Cypress-Mauriceville is still looking for its first victory, and West Orange-Stark just keeps on winning as the most recent week of high school football play is in the books.



Gerry Dickert

The Cardinals, now 1-1 overall, is undefeated in District 11-4A, Division II play after topping Hamshire-Fannett 27-20 in Bridge City. The Bears, now 0-3, fell to Jasper 35-0 but the Mustangs moved to 2-0 with a 47-7 win over Hardin-Jefferson this past Friday night. Orangefield enjoyed a much-needed week off but comes back this Friday night with a game against Liberty where the Bobcats try to claim their first district win of the year.

Bridge City will take on Hardin-Jefferson this Friday night at 7:30 p.m., the Mustangs travel to Silsbee for a 7:30 p.m. kickoff, while LC-M hosts

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Bridge City Cardinal running back Jim Sharon Beardon trudges through the Hamshire Fannett defense. Big Red downed the Longhorns 27-20.

RECORD PHOTO: Lisa K. Anderson

Kaz's Fearless Football Forecast . . .

★ WEST ORANGE-STARK over SILSBEE—

This could very well determine the District 11-4A-II champion. Both teams are loaded with talent, great defenses and stellar quarterbacks. Silsbee has the home-field advantage, but will probably need more than that Friday night.

★ HUFFMAN over LCM

The Battlin' Bears have had a difficult time putting points on the scoreboard

and will have to in order to keep up with these explosive Falcons. But it's a brand-new season for the Bears as far as District 10-4A-I is concerned. Here's hoping for an upset.

★ BRIDGE CITY over HARDIN-JEFFERSON—

The Cardinals were able to dispose of Hamshire-Fannett last week after they were softened up by the Mighty Mustangs. Perhaps this will work again when these Hawks fly in Friday night after being routed by WO-S 47-7 last

week.

★ ORANGEFIELD over LIBERTY—

This will have to be classified as an upset, although both schools lost to Silsbee only by a single touchdown. I look for a hard-nosed defensive battle with the team making the fewest mistakes coming out the winner.

★ VIDOR over SPLENDORA—

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Bridge City Cardinal quarterback Ethan Oceguela looks for a receiver while scrambling against the Hampshire-Fannett defense. RECORD PHOTO: Lisa K. Anderson



Lineman Demetrius Hunter paves the way for Mustang Elijah Gales. Gales finished the game with 98 yards on 9 carries and 2 touchdowns. RECORD PHOTO: Meri Elen Jacobs



Bridge City quarterback Ethan Oceguela drops back to pass against pressure from the Hampshire-Fannett defence as the Cardinals roll on to a 27-20 victory. RECORD PHOTO: Lisa K. Anderson



Bridge City's Deegan King battles for the ball in fierce football action at Larry Ward Stadium against Hampshire-Fannett. RECORD PHOTO: Lisa K. Anderson

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up with bumpkins, because they are not. This should be a tough battle for the Pirates, who use the home field as their advantage in this District 10-4A-I lid-lifter.

★ **DEWEYVILLE over HULL-DAISETTA**—The Pirates will enjoy a whole new beginning Friday night on their home field in this opening game of District 12-2A-II.

★ **HIGH SCHOOL**—Humble Episcopal over Beaumont West Brook, Beaumont United over Baytown Sterling, Port Arthur Memorial over La Porte, Nederland over Jacksonville, Tomball over Port Neches-Groves, Lumberton over Livingston, Carthage over Center, Jasper over Rusk, Madisonville over Shepherd, East Chambers over Anahuac, Buna over Hardin, Kirbyville over Tarkington, Hemphill over Anderson-Shiro, Corrigan-Camden over Kountze, Newton over New Waverly, San Augustine over Joaquin, West Hardin over Shelbyville, Lovelady over Colmesneil, Tenaha over West Sabine, Burkeville over Sabine Pass, Evadale over High Island, Beaumont Legacy Christian over Houston Northland Christian, Beaumont Kelly over Addison Trinity Christian.

★ **COLLEGE**—Houston over Tulane (Thursday); Louisville over Georgia Tech (Friday); Mississippi State over Kentucky, Syracuse over Duke, Pittsburgh over Boston College, Virginia over North Carolina State, South Florida over East Carolina, Clemson over Miami, North Carolina over Virginia Tech, Georgia over Tennessee, Texas over Oklahoma, Iowa State over Texas Tech, Alabama over Ole Miss, Auburn over Arkansas, LSU over Missouri, Florida over Texas A&M, TCU over Kansas State, South Carolina over Vanderbilt, Troy over Texas State, Liberty over Louisiana-Monroe, BYU over UTSA, Florida Atlantic over Southern Mississippi, Temple over Navy, Florida International over Middle Tennessee State, Louisiana

Tech over UTEP, Notre Dame over Florida State, North Texas over Charlotte, Marshall over Western Kentucky, Louisiana-Lafayette over Coastal Carolina.

★ **PRO PICKS**---Tampa Bay over Chicago (Thursday Night); Houston over Jacksonville, Baltimore over Cincinnati, Pittsburgh over Philadelphia, Atlanta over Carolina, Kansas City over Las Vegas, LA Rams over Washington, Buffalo over Tennessee, Arizona over NY Jets, San Francisco over Miami, Dallas over NY Giants, New England over Denver, Cleveland over Indianapolis, Seattle over Minnesota (all Sunday); New Orleans over LA Chargers (Monday Night). Bye week for Detroit and Green Bay.

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Astros again underdogs in ALDS against Oakland A's

KAZ'S KORNER
JOE KAZMAR
For The Record



Joe Kazmar

I have to apologize to the area's Houston Astros fans for portraying them as a feeble team in their Wild Card Playoffs against the AL Central Division champion Minnesota Twins last week.

I watched a Minnesota team that was feeble than the Astros ever were accused of being. But I really think the Astros merely remembered how well they have played in previous post-season years.

I gained a lot more respect for Manager Dusty Baker by the impressive way he used the Astros' pitching staff. He looked like a genius for relieving former Cy Young Award starter Zack Greinke with Framber Valdez, who held Minnesota to the one run Greinke allowed and went on to get credit for the 4-1 opening game victory.

And then to show that wasn't just a lucky move,

Baker replaced second-game starter Jose Urquidy with rookie Cristian Javier in the fifth inning with the score tied 1-1, got out of that jam and then went on to get credit for the 3-1 win to clinch the best-of-three playoff.

Baker won't be able to use that "piggy-backing" method with his starting pitchers in this week's best-of-five American League Division Series but he did start Lance McCullers, Jr. Monday who didn't see any action in the Wild Card Series.

The 71-year-old first-year skipper is no stranger to the game, having managed 3,560 regular-season games and 57 post-season contests.

As a player he was in 2,079 games from 1968 to 1986, spending eight big-league seasons with the franchise that eventually finished second in the 2017 World Se-

ries—the LA Dodgers.

The Astros never had much trouble beating the Oakland A's until this abbreviated 60-game season when they lost seven of 10 games and never won a nine-inning game. The doubleheaders were seven-inning games.

Oakland caught fire after about 20 games and kicked the Astros out of first place in the AL West Division standings and went on to win the pennant handily, ending the Astros three-year run as AL West champions.

The A's advanced to the ALDS after beating the Chicago White Sox 6-4 last Thursday, which was Oakland's first playoff series victory since the 2006 ALDS, after wild card losses in 2014, 2018 and 2019. The two teams are playing all five games—if necessary—at Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles.

Oakland is managed by Bob Melvin who evaluated this year's team. "This is a group that has been together for three years, more or less a

few additions, and a few subtractions," Melvin said. "It's a group that expects to win. When we came to spring training this year, we expected to be in this spot."

After seeing how successful the hockey and basketball seasons and playoffs did with the "Bubbling" technique, MLB decided to use this procedure for the 2020 playoffs.

The eight teams that survived the wild card playoffs will pair off in the ALDS. "Here, no team will be playing in its home park, as the "bubbles" for the American League will be at National League parks—Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles and Petco Park in San Diego.

"The two NLDS clashes will be at Minute Maid Park in Houston and Globe Life field in Arlington, both AL markets. Again, there will be no travel once each series begins," according to this week's edition of USA Today Sports Weekly.

Weather was the first consideration and secondly MLB wanted the two venues to be

within busing distance from each other. This eliminates the risk of virus spread on airplanes, although they will have to charter a plane from San Diego to Arlington to get the AL winner to the World Series, the article pointed out.

Here's hoping the Houston Astros' tough pitching continues through the ALDS and the hitters continue pounding the baseball like they did in Monday's game 1, thrashing Oakland 10-5 with 16 base hits including 3 home runs.

KWICKIES...

Heisman Trophy winner from LSU Joe Burrow got his first NFL victory Sunday when the Cincinnati Bengals defeated Jacksonville 33-25 Sunday. He became the first NFL rookie in history with three straight 300-yard passing games.

The Buffalo Bills won their fourth straight game by downing the Las Vegas Raiders 30-23 Sunday. It marked the first time Buffalo started

a season 4-0 since 2008.

This week's Associated Press College Football Top 25 Football Poll is unchanged at the top two positions with Clemson and Alabama, with the next two spots—Georgia and Florida swapping places. Notre Dame and idle Ohio State maintained their fifth and sixth places, Miami moved up one spot to No. 7, Mack Brown's North Carolina catapulted four places to No. 8, idle Penn State moved up one notch to No. 9 and surprising Oklahoma State leaped from No. 17 to No. 10. Texas A&M dropped from No. 13 to No. 21, the Texas Longhorns sunk from No. 9 to No. 22 while Oklahoma dropped out of the poll.

The Miami Heat utilized Jimmy Butler's triple-double to down the LA Lakers 115-104 Sunday for their first victory in three games in the best-of-seven NBA Finals. Butler became the third player in the NBA Finals history to accomplish the tri-

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Huffman-Hargraves in a 7 p.m. game.

• District 11-4A, Division II Leaders

After the second week of play, District 11-4A, Division II has a three-way tie at the top of the heap with West Orange-Stark, Silsbee and Bridge City sharing the lead.

At the very least, there will only be two left after this Friday with Silsbee and WO-S, both 2-0 in league play, facing off at Tigers Stadium. The nod goes to the Mustangs who have outscored their opponents 84-14 in district play and 154-14 in overall play this season. The Tigers have allowed 73 points to their opponents this season, including 20 in league play.

Should Bridge City maintain its ability to win in district, that could set up a battle for first place between the Cardinals and Mustangs with that meeting coming the final week of the regular season, November 6, in West Orange.

As a team, WO-S leads the district in both offense with an average of 445 yards total offense, and in defense, allowing just 115 yards of total offense to its opponents.

Individually, it is Hamshire-Fannett's D'onte Zeno who leads the passing attack with 715 yards and three touchdowns, hitting 43 of 72 passes for the Longhorns. Mustang Jerren Terrell, ranked second this week in the district, has completed 32 of 61 passes for 589 yards, leading the district in touchdown passes with seven all the while allowing no interceptions.

In five games, Liberty's Alijah Terrell and Hamshire-Fannett's Khegian Heckaman are neck-and-neck in the rushing game with Alijah Terrell taking the edge with 417 yards on 62 carries with three TDs. Heckaman leads the district with eight rushing touchdowns, picking up 413 yards on 75 carries.

Mustang Elijah Gales is third in rushing after just three games, picking up 336 yards on 25 carries with four touchdowns. He is the only running back in the district averaging triple-digits with 112 yards per game so far this year.

Silsbee's Quincy Kelly Jr. leads the district in receiving with 11 catches for 95 yards and two touchdowns. Mustang Jayson Zeigler Jr. does more once he gets the ball, though, picking up 142 yards

on just nine catches. Orangefield's Tyler Washington is among the best defensive secondary players in the region, grabbing four interceptions for the Bobcats to lead District 11-4A, Division II so far.

• West Orange-Stark 47, Hardin-Jefferson 7

The Mustangs stayed perfect in district play after taking the Hardin-Jefferson Hawks to school in a 47-7 whipping at Dan R. Hooks Stadium this past Friday night.

In spite of the final outcome, it looked like the Hawks would make a game of it after going up 7-0 with just a minute off the game clock. Dakota McNair scored on a one-yard TD run, taking advantage of a Mustangs fumble.

The Ponies answered quickly when Elijah Gales found the end zone on the next offensive possession, going nine yards for the score to tie the game at 7-7 with 7:02 left in the first half.

The two teams took an unlikely tie game into the locker room at half but it wouldn't be long before the Mustangs opened up their offense to

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was a single school bass in the Housen bay area that grew up without seeing the lure thanks to Preston Prince and Roger Futch. I lost my last one to a schooling redfish in Sabine Lake! The water has been both high and a little more off-colored on the north end of Sabine Lake, but the bite has gotten a little better every day. Even a couple of gulls or terns will attract every boater in the immediate area, but fortunately there are birds working all over the lake right now.

As you run further south, the water clarity improves which does a lot for angler confidence. And at least from what I have seen, schooling redfish have been more prevalent. At the same time, I haven't been able to tell much difference in the size of the average trout.

I was comparing notes with Capt. Chuck earlier this week and he had just made a

couple of enjoyable trips as well. "The trout were small, but the fishing was as close to the old days as I have seen it," said Chuck. "I never waded or tried anything more sophisticated, but I caught fish on most anything I threw at them."

If you just want to avoid the crowds and still catch fish, try drifting a flat with a live shad or finger mullet under a popping cork. It doesn't hurt to drag an unattended Carolina rig with a shad or mullet at the same time.

A four to six foot leader is the ticket as you want your bait swimming freely in that top water column. Many times you will see the strike before your cork even twitches. Robert Vail literally owns the technique and he and his wife, Betty, have already caught more trout and reds with it than you or I can even hope to catch in a life time!

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Mustang Quarterback Jerron Terrell looks for an open receiver in the Mustangs 47-7 win over the Hardin Jefferson Hawks. Terrell completed 11 of 22 passes for 147 yards and 2 touchdowns. **RECORD PHOTO: Meri Elen Jacobs**

take the lead.

It took just under a minute for the Mustangs to march to the 21 yard line when Zeigler Jr. took off with a 21-yard TD run to give WO-S a 14-7 lead.

On the ensuing drive, the Mustangs recovered a fumble, leading to an eventual 21-7 lead when Terrell ran 7 yards for the score.

The WO-S defense continued its dominance, pushing the Hawks into their own end zone for a punt attempt that turned into a safety and a 23-7 advantage with eight minutes left in the quarter.

Terrell and Thompson accounted for the next touchdown with a pass-and-catch connection from 15 yards out, giving the Mustangs a 30-7 lead.

Yet another forced fumble gave the Mustangs possession again deep inside Hawks territory. Gales pushed it across from 17 yards out for the 37-7 advantage, still in the third quarter.

Angel Ibarra, who leads the district in points scored by a kicker with 32 so far this season, booted a 30-yarder to give the Mustangs a 40-7 lead with a minute gone in the fourth quarter.

The final score came on a Terrell aerial connection with Demarcus Thibodeaux for 15 yards, leaving the Hawks wondering what the heck happened as the Mustangs walked away with the 47-7 win.

Terrell finished the night with 134 yards passing, his favorite receiver being Thompson with four catches for 57 yards. Gales finished the game with 100 yards on nine carries, while Jamal Shaw added 93 yards on eight carries.

Bridge City 27, Hamshire-Fannett 20

Bridge City escaped with a 27-20 district win over Hamshire-Fannett thanks to an opportunistic offense and an overpowering defensive effort this past Friday night.

The Longhorns, now 2-3 overall and 0-2 in league play, scored first when quarterback Kheagian Heckaman found the end zone for a 7-0 lead.

Bridge City quickly answered with a 76-yard drive that ended with quarterback Ethan Ocegüera crossing the goal line from the four for a 7-7 tie.

The Cardinals would go up 14-7 thanks to Harrison Gauthier who picked off the H-F quarterback for a 30-yard touchdown return.

Bridge City managed another touchdown in the first half, this one coming with just under a minute remaining, as Austin Richardson hauled in an Ocegüera pass for a 21-7 lead heading into the locker room.

At the start of the second half, the H-F defense stiffened and the Cards punted away possession. The Longhorns mishandled the punt and Julian Dillow gave BC possession again at the Horns

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Unable to push it into the end zone, Oscar Carranza booted a 37-yard field goal for a 24-7 lead for the Cardinals.

The Longhorns added a TD when Jordan Joiner scored from the 21 to pull H-F to within 24-13 after a missed extra-point kick attempt.

Bridge City would respond with another score early in the fourth quarter when Carranza hit his second field goal of the night for a 27-13 Cardinals lead.

With less than two minutes to go, H-F still held on to some life when Heckaman scored on a 3-yard run to pull the game to within a score at 27-20. The onside kick attempt failed and the Cardinals left with a victory.

Jasper 35, Little Cypress-Mauriceville 0

Too much Jasper offense and too many turnovers by the Bears spelled doom in a 35-0 non-district loss for Little Cypress-Mauriceville this past Friday night at Bears Stadium.

The Bulldogs allowed just 174 yards of total offense while the Bears, still winless this season at 0-3, allowed 504 yards total offense by Jasper.

Two early turnovers helped the Bulldogs take an early 14-0 lead when Andre Thomas scored twice on runs of 34 and 33 yards. He also had two interceptions on defense for the Dogs.

Carl Limbrick accounted for the next Jasper score when he scored on a nine-yard gainer to give Jasper a 21-0 lead with 10 minutes left in the third quarter. Following up on a fourth-down stop against the Bears, Jasper scored again when Limbrick went 92 yards for a 28-0 lead with four minutes left in the third.

The Dogs pushed their lead to 35-0 on a touchdown pass from Trashawn Adams to Micah Pickering for 81 yards in the third quarter.

Limbrick had 181 yards on 16 carries while Thomas finished with 141 yards on eight carries. Adams finished the game 7 of 11 for 111 yards passing.

Ashton Landry kept things respectable with a 12-of-24 performance for 101 yards passing with Brendon Pollock catching the ball eight times for 75 yards. Andy McDow did his best but managed just 47 yards on 11 carries for the Bears.



Mustangs Demetrius Hunter, Bryson Jordan and Marquarius Garrett tackle the Hawk running back in the Mustangs 47-7 win over Hardin Jefferson. **RECORD PHOTO: Meri Elen Jacobs**

Bow season off to slow start, duck hunters make final preps

OUTDOORS CAPT. CHUCK UZZLE For The Record



Chuck Uzzle

Another opening weekend for Texas bowhunters has come and gone and the weather man is at the front of the conversation. Saturday morning started off as good as you could ever hope for with cool temperatures, little to no humidity, and light winds that made it really feel like fall. Most years it seems the first good push of cold air always happens a week before the season opens only to give way to the heat for opening day. This was definitely not the case as it was picture perfect conditions for the entire weekend.

Despite the absolutely gorgeous weather it appears the hunting overall was slow for archers in east Texas. I'm sure a fair share of deer were taken but I have yet to talk with any hunters who were just covered up with deer or had much activity. A few hunters I spoke with took advantage of the opportunity to take some wild hogs since they weren't seeing many deer. The populations of hogs in Texas are at an all time high so you can just about bet if you spend any time in the woods your chances for an encounter are more than favorable.

Over on the waterfowl side hunters are making the finishing touches on land and

blinds in anticipation of the season opener the first weekend of November. There have already been several flights of pintails and

gadwalls sighted in the area and it shouldn't be long before the first waves of geese come streaming through. The next full moon should be accompanied by the music of snow geese while the daylight hours will include the distinct honk of specklebellies. These birds should have no shortage of food as rice growers all over the state were blessed with plenty of rain at just the right time. If there were ever any people who really needed a break it's the farmers, these folks are easily some of the toughest individuals you will ever meet. Each year the farmers fight against stiff odds to make a living and often times the work outweighs the profit. This year could potentially be one of those good years that will keep them going and make plenty of hunters happy in the process.

Local waterfowlers will have less than ideal conditions to deal with when the season opens as high concentrations of salt water in the marshes have stifled much of the vegetation growth. In normal years

when the good freshwater grasses grow the birds have plenty to eat and tend to hang around longer during the season. When we have an abundance of saltwater in the marshes the grass gets choked out and the available forage gets scarce for the birds. During these years hunters often see birds enter our area and stay for just periods of time as they search for food. This is very similar to 2005 when the hurricanes destroyed much of the marshes in the Mississippi flyway, during that time ducks and geese jumped over to the west in search of food and Central flyway hunters had a good season. One thing is for certain the birds have got to have food and they will go where the food is at.

The outlook on the duck and goose population is optimistic and if the teal season was any indicator then it should be a good one. I know this is the same song and dance that waterfowlers hear every year only to get their hopes dashed due to a variety of reasons. Waterfowl hunters are true eternal optimists in every sense of the word, who else would endure the trials and tribulations and continue coming back for more. I don't know one hunter who like a gambler doesn't believe that their luck won't change and this is the year it starts

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ple-double after scoring 40 points, grabbing 11 rebounds and getting 13 assists.

Seattle Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson threw for two touchdowns to lead his undefeated team to a 31-23 victory over the Miami Dolphins. Wilson's 16 passing touchdowns are the most through four games in NFL history.

JUST BETWEEN US...This is advice to both Houston Texans general manager/head coach Bill O'Brien and Dallas Cowboys idiot owner Jerry Jones. You both screwed up by not signing Earl Thomas to bolster your respective defenses which are leakier than a sieve. Word is that the Texans were set to sign the Orange native, but the players revolted and said they didn't want him in their locker room. Well, Bill, your team is 0-4.

Only one team—the 1992 Chargers-- ever made the playoffs after starting 0-4. That's probably why your team will decide they don't want a loser like you in their locker room and fired you on Monday. And Jerry, do you realize that the last Cowboy team to give up 38 or more points in three consecutive games was in 1960? Your great defense allowed the mediocre Cleveland Browns to score 34 straight points, including 566 yards of total offense with 307 coming on rushing yardage, while your quarterback Dak Prescott threw for 502 yards trying to win the game himself, because it didn't seem like anyone else wanted to. I wouldn't be surprised if the next person signed by either team will be a new head coach!!!

Orange County Football Stats & Standings

WEEK 6 RESULTS

WOS 47 Hardin Jefferson 7
 BC 27 Hamshire-Fannett 20
 Jasper 35, LC-M 0
 Deweyville 50 Legacy 6
 Silsbee 14 Liberty 7
 Buna 38 Tarkington 31
 PA Memorial 27 Barbers Hill 23
 PN-G 40 Bmt United 37
 Lufkin 31 Nederland 28
 Newton 62 Anderson-Shiro 0
 Woodville 34 Kirbyville 14
 Splendora 52 Shepherd 0
 Hemphill 34 Kountze 0
 Montgomery 36 Dayton 14
 Anahuac 24 Hardin 14
 Overton 35 West Sabine 29
 Tomball Mem. 66 West Brook 63
 Huffman Hargrave 42 La Marque 0

WEEK 7 (OCT. 9)

WO-S at Silsbee
 Huffman at LC-M
 Bridge City at Hardin-Jefferson
 Liberty at Orangefield
 Splendora at Vidor
 Hull-Daisetta @ Deweyville

FOOTBALL STANDINGS SEASON / DISTRICT

District 10-4A Div. I	W	L	W	L
Huffman Hargrave	4	0	0	0
Vidor	2	1	0	0
Livingston	3	2	0	0
Splendora	2	3	0	0
Lumberton	1	3	0	0
LC-Mauriceville	0	3	0	0

District 11-4A Div. II	W	L	W	L
Silsbee	3	2	2	0
West Orange-Stark	3	0	2	0
Bridge City	1	1	1	0
Hardin-Jefferson	2	3	1	1
Orangefield	1	2	0	1
Hamshire-Fannett	2	3	0	2
Liberty	3	2	0	2

District 12-2A Div. II	W	L	W	L
Deweyville	2	2	0	0
Hull-Daisetta	1	2	0	0
Evadale	1	2	0	0
Burkeville	1	3	0	0
High Island	0	1	0	0
Sabine Pass	0	1	0	0

VFW Post 2775 Fall Garage Sale

VFW Post 2775 Auxiliary will host a fall garage sale on Saturday, October 10th from 8am until 2pm at the VFW Hall at 5303 North 16th Street. Vendors will be allowed to set up Friday, October 9th from 5 'til 8pm. Tables will rent for \$15 or \$20 if along with clothes racks or tent frames. Parking lot spaces will rent according to space needed. Make checks payable to VFW Auxiliary; send to Chairman Mary Snapp at 7927 Sandra Lane; Orange, Texas 77632. For further info, call Mary Snapp 409-697-0380 between 9am and 4:30pm.

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
(AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL DE NOVIEMBRE)

To the Registered Voters of Bridge City ISD, Texas in the County of Orange, Texas:
(a los votantes registrados Bridge City ISD, del Condado de Orange, Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM, November 3, 2020, for voting in a General Election to elect Presidential electors, Members of Congress, Members of the Legislature, and State, District, County and Precinct Officers.
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Monday, October 19, 2020 through Saturday, October 24, 2020
(desde el lunes, el 19 de octubre del 2020 hasta el sábado, el 24 de octubre del 2020)

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October 23, 2020 (el 23 de octubre del 2020)

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