The focus of public school finance reform that led to a 1 in 10 vote at the school last year was the $11 billion Senate bill and the $50 billion House measure. The House vote resulted in a 'yes' and an 'in the next session' vote to consider the issue further.

The question on how long will it take for lawmakers to agree on the bills, and if the votes are likely to be done before the end of the session, is being raised as the budget process moves forward.

The House bill calls for $11.5 billion in new education spending, while the Senate bill calls for $50 billion. Both bills include significant increases in spending on schools, including a 25 percent increase in the state's education budget.

The Senate bill also includes a provision to increase the state's minimum wage to $15 an hour by 2024, while the House bill would increase it to $10.50 by the same year.

PC awarded grant to aid student needs

PC College has received a grant of $25,000 to help with its student support programs. The grant will support the college's efforts to provide financial aid to students in need.

"We are very grateful for this grant," said PC College President Dr. Sarah Johnson. "It will allow us to provide much-needed financial assistance to our students."
Librarians begin campaign

On March 5, town librarians will launch a campaign to increase the awareness of the importance of reading among children. The initiative, called "Books for Kids," aims to encourage families to read together and promote literacy skills.

Crafts demonstrations highlight AARP meeting

AARP Branch 195 held a meeting on March 8 where members were given the opportunity to participate in various crafts demonstrations. The event was a great way for members to socialize and learn new skills.

Couple receives baby shower

On March 10, a baby shower was held for a couple expecting their first child. The event was a wonderful opportunity for friends and family to celebrate the upcoming arrival of a new family member.

Low-risk way in the market

In the real estate market, a low-risk way to invest is to buy a house that is currently vacant and then rent it out. This can be a great way to generate income and build equity over time.
Congratulations!

Panola County bands compete in U. I. L. contest

This salute to our Panola County bands has been made possible by the following businesses and individuals:

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Area deaths

By LAURIE M. O'BRYON

The following information was provided by the funeral homes of the area and by the Panola County Sheriff's Office for the week of April 17 through April 23.


4. Sealie Wright, 62, 621 N. Main, died April 22. Survivors: 2 children, 1 sister, 1 brother.


6. Myrtle Bell, 77, 622 N. Main, died April 22. Survivors: 2 children, 1 sister, 1 brother.

7. Eddie Davis, 54, 609 W. Commerce, died April 22. Survivors: 2 sons, 1 daughter, 2 sisters, 2 brothers.


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Local man drowns after driving into lake

By KIMBERLY GIBSON

A local man drowned in the Sabine River on Monday afternoon.

The man, identified as 35-year-old John Smith, was found by rescuers in a boat near the lake's edge.

Smith's body was retrieved and taken to a local medical examiner for an autopsy.

The cause of death is still under investigation, but authorities believe Smith was not wearing a life jacket when he entered the water.

Smith is survived by his wife and two children.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday at the First Baptist Church in Carthage.

Cards may be sent to the family c/o First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 303, Carthage 695-7105.

Panola College Choir, Pipe Choir embark on spring tour

By KIMBERLY GIBSON

The Panola College Choir and Pipe Choir are currently embarking on a spring tour of the state.

The choir has been performing at various churches and schools throughout the area, including the First Baptist Church in Carthage and the Panola County School District.

The Pipe Choir has also performed at several events, including the annual Sabine River Festival and the Panola County Fair.

Tickets for the choir's spring tour can be purchased at the Panola College Box Office or online at www.panola.edu.

Panola College President Dr. David Price has expressed his support for the choir's endeavors.

"The choir is one of Panola College's most treasured assets," Price said. "We are proud to support their work and look forward to seeing them perform across the state."
Perspectives

Bag of rocks symbolizes freedom

By ELLWOOD BEAUTY

The Bag of Rocks is a symbol of freedom and the struggle for human rights. It was created by the famous artist, Nelson Mandela, during his years in prison. The Bag of Rocks represents the struggle of the African people against apartheid and the fight for freedom and justice. The artist himself was a symbol of this struggle, as he spent 27 years in prison for his political beliefs.

Letters to the Editor:

Day successful

Dear Mr. Editor,

I would like to express my gratitude for the success of the recent event. The turnout was overwhelming and the atmosphere was electric. I must say, it was a memorable day for all who attended. The speeches were inspiring and the performances were outstanding. I would like to thank you for organizing such an event.

Sincerely,

[Name]

Marshall

Bridge concerns

I would like to bring to your attention an issue that has been concerning me for some time. The bridge over the river is in urgent need of repair. The concrete is chipping and the steel is rusting, which poses a safety risk for the drivers. I urge you to take immediate action to ensure the safety of all who use the bridge.

[Name]

Panola County Roots

Panola General Hospital needs our help

By BARRY HOGG

Panola General Hospital is facing a critical shortage of funds. The hospital has been providing care to the community for over 50 years, but without adequate funding, it is struggling to maintain its services. I urge everyone in the community to donate to the hospital. Every dollar counts and can make a difference in the lives of our neighbors.

The Importance of Donations

Donations to Panola General Hospital are crucial for its survival. The hospital relies on the support of the community to provide essential services to those in need. Without donations, the hospital would struggle to continue providing care.

How to Donate

Donations can be made online or by mail. You can also contact the hospital directly to learn more about how you can help.

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Screening for spinal deformities now required

New York, April 19, 1995

Federal law now requires physicians to screen for spinal deformities in children as young as 5 years old. The law was enacted in response to the alarming increase in the number of children with scoliosis, a condition characterized by a curvature of the spine.

The Importance of Early Detection

Early detection of spinal deformities is crucial for successful treatment. With early detection, the deformity can be corrected with braces or surgery.

How to Screen

Physicians are required to perform a simple spinal examination on all children in the specified age group. The examination includes checking for any abnormal curvature of the spine.

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Tragedy strikes in bus mishap

New contractor hired

Bridge remains closed

The Chey Creek bridge on Panola Street over the Chey Creek canal in the Panola area was closed for repair work due to a suspected break in the bridge. The bridge had been closed temporarily due to the collapse of one of its sections. A new contractor had been hired to repair the bridge, and repairs were expected to take several months. The bridge would remain closed until the repairs were completed.

Sports takes first place

The Panola High School soccer team took first place in a recent tournament. The team had been working hard to prepare for the tournament, and their efforts paid off as they emerged victorious. The team was praised for their dedication and teamwork.

Officer injured in restrained inmate situation

An officer for the Panola County Sheriff's Office was injured during an incident involving a restrained inmate. The officer had been attempting to restrain the inmate, who had become violent and uncooperative. The officer was taken to the hospital for treatment and is expected to make a full recovery.

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Texas will cut taxes and increase spending

The Texas legislature is considering a plan to cut taxes and increase spending. The plan includes a reduction in state spending and an increase in local spending. The aim is to provide tax relief to residents and improve local services.

BJHS gals win meet

BJHS gals won the meet against their rivals. The team had been working hard to prepare for the meet, and their efforts paid off as they emerged victorious. The team was praised for their dedication and teamwork.

Feldman plans to run for state Senate

Feldman, a local politician, plans to run for the state Senate. Feldman has been a long-time advocate for the community and has been involved in various local projects. The announcement was made at a recent community meeting, and Feldman has expressed his commitment to serving the community.

Sports Midweek

Trimble gets eighth decision

Dogs beat Cats, continue streak

It's official! Norris gets Hodderer

Norris beats Hodderer in a recent match. The match was a close one, but Norris emerged victorious. The win helped Norris advance in the rankings and continue their winning streak.

Tourney here sets new mark

The Panola County Backgammon Tournament, held in Panola, attracted a record number of participants. The tournament featured a variety of games, including chess, checkers, and more. The tournament was well-received, and organizers are planning to make it an annual event.
Pool hurl four-hitter in 2-1 nightcap

Ponies sweep Navarro, retain first

Ellis has two-hit shutout

Ponies win, 2-0

Awards to be presented in May

Five earn 'Wohelo Medallion'

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