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Traffic signs recovered

By Paul McCormack

The recovery of a traffic sign stolen from City Hall last week was announced by city officials yesterday. The sign, a "Do Not Enter" sign, was recovered two blocks from its original location.

The sign, which had been placed on a pole at the corner of Main and Washington Streets, was reported stolen last Thursday. It was later found by a local resident who saw it being removed from the pole.

City officials said they are happy to have the sign back and will be seeking to install it in its original location.

Twenty indicted by grand juries

By Anonymous

Twenty people were indicted by a Pelican County grand jury on various charges related to a large-scale drug operation. The charges include fraud, conspiracy, and possession of a controlled substance.

The indictments were announced by Assistant District Attorney David Clark, who said the operation involved the use of a network of underground tunnels and hidden containers.

The operation was discovered after a tip from an informant who said they had been involved in the operation.

Polling places changed

By Anonymous

Polling places for the upcoming election have been changed for some precincts. The changes were made due to issues with the old locations, such as overcrowding and lack of accessibility.

The new locations are as follows:

- Precinct 1: 123 Main Street
- Precinct 2: 456 Oak Street
- Precinct 3: 789 Maple Street

The changes were announced by the City Clerk, who said they were made in the best interest of the voters.

Harris announces candidacy for county judge

By Anonymous

Buddy Harris, former prosecutor and county attorney, has announced his candidacy for county judge in the upcoming election. Harris, who has been a practicing attorney for over 20 years, said he is running to bring integrity and transparency to the court.

Harris said he plans to focus on issues such as criminal justice reform and improving access to legal services.

WWII vet shares life during war

By Anonymous

WWII veteran Jack Brown shares his experiences during the war. Brown, who served in the Pacific Theater, said he was lucky to survive the war and is grateful for the opportunity to share his story.

Brown said he was able to travel to Europe for the first time during the war, which he describes as an eye-opening experience.

Student council promotes drug awareness

By Anonymous

The student council at Pelican High School is working to promote drug awareness among students. The council is organizing a series of events, including talks by guest speakers and workshops.

The events are part of the school's efforts to address the growing problem of drug use among students.


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Lifestyles

Stuart and Patricia Deaton wedding. Andrew Anthony Deaton and Missy Hines, both of Henderson, will marry in a ceremony at 2:30 p.m. on March 7, at First Church Assembly of God in Henderson. The bridegroom is the son of William and Jackie Petney, of Henderson and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Tomlinson, both of Henderson, and the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Dan Hines, both of Henderson. The bride is a graduate of Henderson High School and is employed as a receptionist at Henderson State University. The ceremony will be officiated by the Rev. Dr. Sam Reedy, the Rev. Dr. J. Edwin Preyer, and Dr. David W. Johnson. A reception will follow at the church. All are invited to attend the ceremony. The couple will reside in Henderson.

60th Wedding Anniversary

Bill and Bessie Winters celebrated 60 years of happiness in marriage on Jan. 10. The couple is the son of William and Helen Winters, both of Carthage. They are members of the First United Methodist Church in Carthage. The couple has two children, Bill and Bessie, both of Carthage, and John and Judy, both of Carthage.

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Sports

Delegates Lady Lions to second place. 59-48

Lady Bulldogs take 16-4A title outright

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16-AAAA girls

Henderson wins ugly, maintains second spot

The Lady Bulldogs are currently ranked second in the tournament standings, and with a win over the Lady Lions, they solidify their position. The game was tough, with both teams battling throughout. Henderson emerged victorious, leading by 10 points in the end. The Lady Bulldogs are now looking towards the state tournament, aiming to make a strong showing.
Angelina puts Kilgore on playoff bubble

Big, bad Lady Birds bury Fillies, 108-38

ATHENS - After finishing Panola (16) behind Trinity Valley (35) for the second time this season, the Lady Birds had a chance to overtake the Fillies on Tuesday night in Athens.

The Lady Birds took control of the game early, scoring 10 points in the first quarter, and never looked back. They led by a margin of 59 points at halftime, and finished with a 108-38 victory.

Ponies fall to ninth in torrid region chase

San Jacinto battles Panola to stay in first

SAN JACINTO - San Jacinto battled Panola to stay in first place in the region. The Lady Ponies, who are ranked fourth in the state, won 48-45.

San Jacinto's Shelbee Ewing scored 24 points, including four free throws, to lead the Lady Ponies. Panola's Lady Pirates were led by its senior Joanna Jones, who scored 14 points.

Brewster bites monstrous homer

Ponies win 4-1 behind Darnell

WATERVILLE - The Ponies defeated the Huskies 4-1 on Wednesday. Brewer's Thomas Darnell hit a monstrous home run in the bottom of the second inning.

Darnell's home run was the highlight of the game, as the Ponies rode their defense to a victory. Brewer's pitcher, Tyler Brown, threw a complete game and allowed only one run.

Beckville nears outright 21-AA crown

Bearcats beat Dogs

BECKVILLE - The Bearcats defeated the Dogs 53-42 to move closer to an outright 21-AA championship.

Beckville's Buffy Bledsoe led all scorers with 18 points, including three 3-pointers. The Bearcats' defense held the Dogs to just 14 points in the second half.

Region XIV men's standings

BRUSHWICH 16-1 101
BECKVILLE 13-2 85
GARRISON 4-8 25

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BECKVILLE 13-1 86
GARRISON 3-9 10

BRUSHWICH 14-1 73
BECKVILLE 11-1 63
GARRISON 1-11 10

BRUSHWICH 13-1 70
BECKVILLE 10-1 60
GARRISON 0-12 0

Panola takes sweep over Collin County

PLANO - Panola swept Collin County 68-43 and 65-42 to move into first place in District 12-4A.

Panola's Mary Smith scored 20 points in the first game and 18 in the second. Collin County's Brandi Chandler scored a career-high 24 points in the second game.

Lady Dog jvs top Henderson

40-29 in 16-4A

LACEY - The Lady Dogs defeated the Henderson Lady Eagles 40-29 in 16-4A.

The Lady Dogs, who are currently in second place, were led by its senior, Ashley Johnson, who scored 13 points. Henderson was led by its junior, Kaitlyn King, who scored 12 points.

Dog frosch fall to Henderson

18-56 in 16-4A

HEBNER - The Dog frosch fell to the Henderson Lady Eagles 18-56 in 16-4A.

Henderson, who is currently in first place, was led by its senior, Monica Martinez, who scored 20 points. Dog frosch was led by its junior, Emily Davis, who scored 14 points.

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Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day is special because it celebrates the love we feel for one another and the love that God has for us. God is love, and it would be such a blessing if everyone could say that they love not only God, but everybody in the world. God our Father, created each of us, and we are all brothers and sisters through Him. Although we may not always approve of each other's actions or deeds, like God, we should hate sin but love the sinner. The Bible tells us that we all have sinned and have come short of the glory of God, but that God's love is everlasting. If we could repeat to ourselves every day, a silent prayer like, "God loves me, I love God, I love everybody", perhaps God would help us to become more loving towards each other.

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