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From the City of White Settlement

Community Clean Up Oct. 22 & 23

Cleaning out the garage, shed, or house and need a place to take the items?

We will have dumpsters available from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday Oct. 22 and 23 for White Settlement residents only. A copy of the most recent water bill is required for participation.

The dumpsters will be located at the Chamber of Commerce parking lot (corner of E. Melrose and Meadow Park).

We cannot accept hazardous materials, electronics, or tires.

From the City of White Settlement

Tire Recycle Event for White Settlement Residents Nov. 5

The City of White Settlement will host a Resident Tire Recycle Event on Saturday, Nov. 5 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the municipal parking lot located at 8211 White bottles, oatmeal, juice, coffee, ramen, Settlement Rd.

White Settlement residents may bring four tires (no rims) to be disposed of free of charge.

Participants must have a White 4971. Settlement water bill, only four tires per car load, and no semi or trailer or tractor tires will be permitted.

Limited space is available.

For questions, call 817-246-5012, ext 859.

From the White Settlement Public Library From the WS Police Department

Halloween **Community Storytime**

Join us at the Library for a fun Halloween Storytime on Thursday, Oct. 27 at 4:30 p.m. This free, all-ages event includes stories, activities, and crafts. Costumes are encouraged!

The winners of the Storybook Pumpkin Contest will be announced during the event, and your decorated pumpkins can be taken home to enjoy on Halloween.

From the City of White Settlement

Senior Food Drive

Unfortunately, many seniors in our area **Parade** are faced with making difficult decisions such as paying for medicine or buying groceries. To help the City is hosting a food drive. From now until Nov. 1 anyone can drop off non-perishable food and toiletry items at City Hall and the Library for our seniors at our Senior Activity Center.

Most requested items include: water jello/pudding, cake mix, rice, pasta, toiletry items, pre-packaged shelf stable dinners and snacks.

For more information, call 817-246-

Prescription Drug Take Back Oct. 29

The White Settlement Police Department is participating in National Prescription Drug Take Back day on Saturday, Oct. 29. If you have unused or expired prescription drugs this is a safe and easy way to dispose of them.

Bring medications to the Police Station located at 8900 Clifford Street between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

From the Tarrant County Veterans Council

Veterans Day Friday, Nov. 11

Saluting Buffalo Soldiers is the theme of this year's Tarrant County Veterans Day parade set to step off on Friday, Nov. 11, at 11 a.m. Participants will form up in the Fort Worth Panther Island Pavilion parking lot, march down North Forest Park Blvd. along the Clear Fork of the Trinity River and return.

For questions, visit the parade website at https://www.fw2022parade.org for more information.

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My name is Mimi Coffey and I am running to be your State Representative. I have spent most of my entire life in District 99. I have raised my 4 children here. As a defense attorney of 27 years, I am used to fighting uphill battles and negotiating. I will fight hard for the needs of our northwest Tarrant County resi-

Our property taxes are too high. Women's reproductive rights have been taken away. Our public schools are in a crisis with a shortage of teachers. It is getting harder for the majority of northwest Texans to make ends meet with rising costs. As a small business owner of 22 years, I know what it takes to run a successful business and take care of your people. The pandemic has taught us that to survive we must embrace change. I am ready to serve both Democrats and Republicans alike. District 99 is military and defense industry heavy. I understand and respect this as my father served in the Army and retired from Lockheed-Martin (General Dynamics). I have the utmost respect for our incumbent representative and if elected, plan to continue his tradition of excellent service to the community.

I invite you to visit my website, mimicoffeyfordistrict99.com for more information. I'm asking for your vote so that we can put PEO-PLE OVER POLITICS. Feel free to text or call me direct at 817-205-4861.

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From the City of White Settlement

New Water and Sewer Rates

have gone into effect this month and will to an increase of \$1.28 per month. be reflected on your October utility bill.

increase in three years.

The reason for the rate increase was to of \$3 per month. keep pace with rate increases imposed on the City by Fort Worth (the City buys over 80 percent of its water from Fort Worth) and to keep up with increasing maintenance costs.

For average residential water users, the rate increase will cause bills to go up around \$20 a year, which breaks down to an increase of \$1.67 per month.

For average residential sewage users,



The new water and sewer rates the rate increase will cause bills to go up approved by the City Council in August around \$15.37 a year, which breaks down

In total, average residential water and The water and sewer rates were raised sewer users should expect to see a total by 5 percent and this was the first rate increase on their utility bill of around \$36 annually, which breaks down to an increase







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From the Sports Desk with John English

Brewer Topples Fort Worth South Hills

The Brewer football team kept their playoff hopes alive on BHS Volleyball Friday night with a 77-7 victory over Fort Worth South Hills.

The Bears were firing on all cylinders against South Hills, as Saginaw on Friday night, losing 3-1. coach Jason Wheeler said Brewer played well in all three facets of the game.

"We had guys score on special teams, defense and offensively," Wheeler said. "Overall, we were excited to play, we played Cross Country together and we were able to go out and get a win. And it's always good when you can score in all three phases of the game."

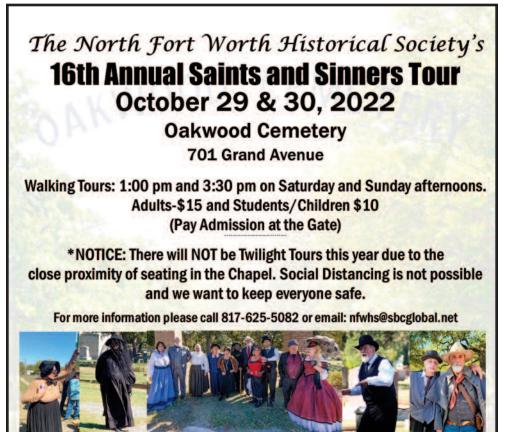
Wheeler said Mehki Elmore had another strong night offensively, rushing for nearly 150 yards and two touchdowns and that Dakories Moment had an interception return for a touchdown on defense.

The Bears will play at Burleson Centennial at 7 p.m. tomorrow night, and Wheeler said he anticipates a challenging game.

"They run the flexbone, and not a lot of people run that type of offense any more," Wheeler said. "So, it's going to be an adjuststuff and now we're going to see some three-back sets and a lot of option game."

Brewer's final three games are against the top three teams in to the state meet." district, and Wheeler said he thinks this will be a good measuring stick for his team.

"I think it's a big deal for the kids as far as kind of figuring out where their mindset is and if they're going to come out and fight," Wheeler said. "Are they going to give it everything they've got regardless of who we are lining up against? I'm never really as concerned about who we're playing as opposed to how we play. Are we able to minimize mistakes and get better every time we step out onto the field. That's what's most important."



The Brewer volleyball team came up a little short against

The Lady Bears wrapped up the regular season on Tuesday night against Aledo.

"District was a tough meet with great competition as we expected," Coach Olson said. "The varsity girls' team placed third as a team to advance to the Region I meet."

The Region I meet will be held in Lubbock on Oct. 24-25.

"We had two runners place in the top five, with Aolani Woldai placing fourth and Ki Rendon placing fifth," Olson said.

The Brewer coach said the focus this coming week in practice will be to emulate the conditions her runners will face in Lubbock.

"This week, we will continue to train and prepare for the ment for our kids seeing a lot of spread and one-back, tight end Region meet," Olson said. "The course at Mae Simmons is a lot like our district course, so hills, long inclines, etc. will be our focus to prepare. The goal is to place in the top four and advance

From the White Settlement Senior Center

Volunteers Create Quilts for Children in Need

The ladies at the Senior Activity Center sewing room made 30 children's quilts recently and donated them to children's hospitals through Project Linus. At Project Linus, a non-profit organization, they provide new handmade blankets to children in need.

If you would like to donate materials or if you are looking to become a member of the Senior Activity Center call 817-246-6619.









The Brothers Lubbock - Politicians and Civil War Figures

by Dr. Ken Bridges

the case of brothers Francis and Thomas Lubbock of South Carolina, their story would play an important role in Texas history.

Francis Richard Lubbock was born in Beaufort, South Carolina, in 1815 to Dr. Henry and Ann Lubbock. While still an infant, the family moved to Charleston, where younger brother Thomas was born in 1817. Tragedy struck the family in 1829 when their father died. With the family struggling, the 14-yearold Francis quit school to work as a clerk.

moved to New Orleans, where the elder Lubbock worked with a variety of businesses and the 17-year-old Thomas worked as a attention.

Thomas Lubbock and a group of other New Orleans residents organized a unit, the New Orleans Grays, and marched into Texas to support independence. He participated in the Siege of Bexar in late 1835, temporarily wresting San Antonio from Mexican control. After the Texas Revolution, he worked as a businessman and a Texas Ranger.

In 1836, Francis Lubbock followed his brother to Texas and settled in what became Houston and set up a store. He became heavily involved in politics and was appointed as comptroller by Texas President Sam Houston in 1837.

In 1857, he was elected lieutenant governor of the state but lost re-election in 1859 to Ed Clark, a Unionist. Nevertheless, Lubbock was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in 1860. He and other southern delegates clashed with northern delegates over the conciliatory platform they pushed to preserve southern Democrats, chaired by Lubbock, pushed their own candidate, Vice-President John Breckinridge over the national Democratic candidate, Stephen A. Douglas.

In the meantime, Thomas Lubbock was an ardent secessionist and campaigned for years for secession. Once Texas seceded in 1861, he went to Virginia to enlist in the Confederate Army, fighting in the Army of Northern Virginia during the Civil War. He saw many battles and died at a Kentucky hospital in 1862 as a colonel at age 44.

Ed Clark became governor in 1861 after then-Gov. Sam Houston was forced from office. That fall, Lubbock challenged his old foe Clark in the gubernatorial election. Lubbock won by a scant 124-vote margin.

As governor, the Civil War was the focus of Francis Lubbock's administration. He was an outspoken defender of the Confederacy and the draft. He even pushed for drafting non-citizens into the

Two orphaned brothers headed west in search of adventure and army as well. He attempted to increase trade with Mexico, even a new life. The story is common in the annals of the frontier. In offering to trade United States bonds held by Texas and cotton for weapons. Lubbock attempted to spur defense manufacturing in Texas, to little effect. The chaotic whirlwind of Civil War politics consumed his administration, and he declined to run for re-election in 1863.

Lubbock enlisted in the Confederate Army at the age of 46 and was made a lieutenant colonel. He helped organize supplies and troops for the defense of Louisiana during the 1864 Red River campaign and served on the staff of several generals. In August 1864, Lubbock was appointed as a military aide to Confederate In 1835, after the death of their mother, the two brothers President Jefferson Davis. He went to Virginia to update Davis on activities west of the Mississippi River. This voyage was made even more difficult with the Union naval blockade of the South cotton agent. The revolution erupting in Texas captivated their and that Union forces now controlled the Mississippi River, cutting the Confederacy in half. Lubbock spent the next several months in Richmond, watching the Confederacy disintegrate as Union forces encircled the city and laid siege to it.

> The Union Army broke through Confederate lines in April 1865, and the Confederate government fled, Lubbock included. Davis, Lubbock, and a number of others headed south in a mad flight to avoid capture and to try to keep their government alive. Several days later, Lubbock was captured in Georgia. He was held at an army prison in Delaware where he awaited his fate. After eight months, he was released as part of an amnesty program and returned to Texas.

> In 1876, the Texas legislature organized Lubbock County in West Texas in honor of Thomas Lubbock. Its namesake city was organized a few years later and a century later would grow to a city of more than a quarter of a million residents.

The surviving Lubbock brother, Francis, continued to piece his the Union. The Democratic Party fractured, and a convention of life back together after the Civil War and Reconstruction and eventually re-entered politics. He served as state treasurer from 1878 to 1891.

Francis Lubbock died quietly at his home in Austin in 1905 at



From StatePoint

What to Do if Your Mortgage **Application is Denied**

your mortgage application denied can be build a positive credit history and lower devastating. If this does happen to you, it's your debt-to-income ratio. Not sure where important to remember that you're not to start? Tackle your debt with the highest alone. Thirteen percent of all purchase interest rate first. mortgage applications -- a total of nearly 650,000 -- were denied in 2020, according money for your down payment, you may to federal government data.

it's important to first understand the rea- to borrow. sons your loan was denied. The lender is required to disclose that information to you for the loan with you, agreeing to take within 30 days of its decision. You can also call your lender for further explanation. Having this knowledge will help you work debts will be evaluated to make sure they toward building your eligibility for a mortgage.

In some instances, the situation credit, you should make sure they are involves a quick fix, such as providing missing or incomplete documentation. However, if the reasons cited for your application denial involve down payment cost, a low credit score, an adverse credit history or a high debt-to-income ratio, here are six steps you can take toward recovery:

- 1. Consult a Housing Counselor. Consider speaking to a community-based credit counselor or a HUD-certified housing counselor. They can help you create a plan to increase your savings, decrease your debt, improve your credit, access down payment assistance or take advantage of first-time homebuyer programs.
- 2. Improve Your Credit. In a 2022 Freddie Mac survey of consumers denied a mortgage application in the past four years, three in five cited debt or credit issues as reasons given for their initial denial. If this describes you, take time to improve your credit profile before applying for another loan. Good credit demonstrates responsible money management and gives you more purchasing power, opening doors to better loan terms and products.
- 3. Pay Down Debt. In the application process, lenders will look at your recurring monthly debts, such as car payments, student loans and credit card loans. By lower-

If you dream of homeownership, having ing or paying down monthly debts, you can

- 4. Obtain Gift Funds. If you're short on be able to use gift funds from a family Before quickly reapplying for a loan, member to decrease the amount you need
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Phyllis Annette McMinn

Phyllis Annette McMinn passed away Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2022 at the age of 93.

Interment will be at Greenwood Memorial Park. A gathering of friends and family will be held in Nashville at a later date.

For most of her life, Phyllis made her home in River Oaks, TX. She relocated to Nashville, TN in 2013 with her daughter and son-in-law.

Phyllis was a kind, gentle woman who possessed a quiet strength and an artistic talent. She took comfort and meaning from her Christian faith throughout her life.

Phyllis continued to learn and grow through her years and was accepting of everyone. She blessed everyone in her life with her unconditional, modest, and steadfast love.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her husband of 63 years, Grover 'Jack' McMinn; son, Michael McMinn; parents, Ruth and Lloyd Donley; brother, Bob Donley and his wife, Rose.

She is survived by her daughter, Becky Stephens and husband, Paul; granddaughters, Sarah Stephens, Shelley Lancaster and husband, Randall; great-grandchildren, Maxwell and Madeleine Lancaster; nephew, Terry Donley and wife, Rose; and niece, Brenda Donley.



White Settlement Historical Society and Fort Worth Chapter **DAR hold Cemetery Workday**

Saturday, Oct. 8 at Thompson Public Cemetery. The cemetery, located in Westworth Village off SH-183, is the final resting place for members of many pioneer settler families of White Settlement, River Oaks and Westworth Village.

Members of the Fort Worth Chapter Daughters of the Service on Oct. 11.

The White Settlement Historical Society hosted a workday American Revolution, who obtained the Texas Historical Marker for the cemetery, and Linda Little, a member of the Cross Timbers Master Naturalists, were also present.

> The cemetery workday coincides with the WSHS quarterly (September) meeting and the annual National DAR Day of



Pictured: members of the White Settlement Historical Society.



Pictured: members of the Fort Worth Chapter DAR.



Pictured: Linda Little, Cross Timbers Master Naturalist



Pictured: Hilda Kacmar trims vines.



Pictured: Fort Worth Chapter Members Jean Shiflett-Kenas, Mary Alda and Sarah Fezio with the Texas Historical Marker.



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Three Day Weekend Forecast



Friday, Oct. 21

<u>AM</u> - Sunny, with a high near 88. SW wind 5-15mph, with gusts as high as 25mph <u>PM</u> - Mostly clear, with a low around 62. S wind around 15mph, with gusts as high as 30mph.



Saturday, Oct. 22:

<u>AM</u> - Mostly sunny, with a high near 88. South wind 15-20mph, with gusts as high as 35mph. <u>PM</u> - Partly cloudy, with a low around 69. South wind 15-20mph, with gusts as high as 35mph.



Sunday, Oct. 23:

AM - Partly sunny, with a high near 87.

PM - A 20% chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 69.

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