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From the Sports Desk with John Loven

CHS Falters in Second Half, Falls to Dunbar

Castleberry, coming off a valiant effort in last week's loss to Western Hills, hoped to rebound at home against Dunbar. The Wildcats came into the game with a 3-4 record but 3-1 in district (their only district loss coming to Eastern Hills the week before). The Lions led after the first quarter 3-0. They trailed by only 5 at halftime (14-9). But the Wildcats rode the shoulders of their senior running back, Murray Moore (#22), who rushed for an incredible 303 yards on 22 carries. Dunbar pulled away in the second half to a 54-23 victory.

The Lions kicked off to begin the game. The Wildcats managed two first downs before the CHS defense stiffened and forced a punt. The Lions then embarked on a nice 12-play drive which started on their own 39-yard line. The drive mainly featured senior running back Miguel Arroyo (#32) who carried the ball 10 times for 47 yards. The drive stalled at the Wildcat 9-yard line and the Lions ended up kicking a 26-yard field goal by senior Diego Torres (#8) to take a 3-0 lead with 3:41 left in the first quarter.

Dunbar took the ensuing kickoff and quickly carved out three first downs mainly on runs by their star running back. However, after they had driven to the Lions 30-yard line the Lion defense made a big play. On third-and-17 senior linebacker Jose Coronado (#44) sacked and stripped the ball from the Wildcats quarterback. Senior Pedro Martinez (#66) picked the ball up and ran it down to the Wildcat 43-yard line. Despite the great field position, the Lions turned the ball back over to the Wildcats when their fourth down fake punt failed. Dunbar took over and scored quickly. The Wildcats rushed the ball on five consecutive plays (all by Moore) with the final run resulting in a touchdown and a 7-3 lead with 9:03 left until halftime.

The Lions had a quick and bold response to the Wildcats score. CHS ran six consecutive rushing plays, all by Arroyo (#32). The last was a 4-yard touchdown run. The Lions point-after-touchdown missed wide left but CHS had retaken the lead 9-7 (7:40/second). At this point in the game, (continued on page 3)

From the City of River Oaks

Drug Take Back Event Saturday

Tarrant County will host a prescription Drug Take Back day on Saturday, Oct. 29 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the River Oaks Event Center located at 5300 Blackstone Dr. in River Oaks.

Medications that will be accepted include: • prescription and over-the-counter medications • veterinarian medications • vitamins, minerals and samples • liquid medications.

Medications not accepted include: • oxygen tanks and nebulizers • needles/sharps • thermometers and (continued on page 6)

From the City of River Oaks

Residents Requested to Complete Survey Regarding City Hall Operating Hours

River Oaks City Hall operating hours recently changed. The new trial hours are 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. daily Monday through Thursday, and 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Fridays. Regular residential garbage pick up has not changed. Residents can report utility emergencies for after-hours on call personnel to respond by contacting the Police Department at 817- (continued on page 6)

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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 PEOPLE OVER POLITICS. Feel free to text or call me direct at 817-205-4861.

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From the American Legion Post 297

American Legion to Host Harley-Ween Event Oct. 29

More and more families are looking for a safe place to trick-or-treat, even when you live in a small town with a big backyard like Benbrook. The Paul Mansir American Legion Post 297 located at 8201 Old Benbrook Rd. in Benbrook is answering the call by providing "a safe place to trick-or-treat" for all of the children in the community and beyond.

"Harley-Ween" is so-named because the Riders of American Legion Post 297 are hosting the event. They will be dressed up in costumes, with their motorcycle saddlebags stuffed full of candy, and will provide free hot dogs and punch. Children and families can stop by, do a little trick-or-treating then rest, relax, and chat a bit with friends and family while enjoying a light dinner.

"We started doing this event during COVID, because so many other places weren't able to host events that usually took place inside. We have a nice outdoor venue, with horseshoe pits, and a great

green yard for the kids to come and run around. They get to see the motorcycles, walk right up to them even, chat with veterans, and have a great time with family and friends," says Rachel Rogstad, Road Captain for the American Legion Post 297 Riders. She mentions that in years past, many kids have marveled at the motorcycles, and really seem to enjoy being there.

The American Legion is a not-for-profit veteran organization, dedicated to serving all those who have served, as well as the community that supports them. The American Legion is America's largest veterans service organization, and works tirelessly every day to support and serve our active and retired military personnel. If you are interested in learning more about the American Legion, you can visit legion.org. Learn more about the local post, Paul Mansir American Legion Post 297 by visiting us on Facebook @legionridersbenbrook, or Instagram @legionriderspost297.



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CHS Football (continued from page 1)

it looked as if it was going to be a battle between the two opposing running backs. By halftime they had already accrued some incredible stats. Arroyo (#32) had 24 carries for 118 yards (4.9/carry) while Dunbar's Moore had 12 carries for 130 yards (10.8/carry) – all by halftime!

Dunbar's next drive ended when sophomore Michael Ramirez (#17) made a great tackle on a third down Wildcat reverse to force a punt. The Lions moved the ball for a couple of first downs before being forced to punt after they reached midfield. The Wildcats got the ball deep in their own end of the field, on the 12-yard line (with 1:52 left). A 24-yard run, followed by a 64-yard pass reception resulted in a Wildcat touchdown. With 1:33 left Dunbar took the lead 14-9.

The Lions missed a great chance to regain that lead when they failed to connect with senior A.J. Silva (#3) who was streaking down the field wide open for what would have been an easy touchdown. They were forced to punt instead. But the Lions got the ball right back when junior defensive back Sebastian Torres (#18) intercepted the Wildcats quarterback with 40.9 seconds left. The score remained 14-9 as the teams headed to their locker room for halftime.

The second half began with Dunbar kicking off. They tried to catch the Lions by surprise when they attempted an onside kick despite being in the lead. But senior Luke Fief (#33) made a heads up play and recovered the onside attempt and gave the Lions excellent field position to start the second half. But unfortunately, the Lions could not move the ball and went three-and-out and punted. The Wildcats got an impressive 48-yard return of the Lions punt. This set them up on the Lions 37-yard line and after a pass interference against the Lions the ball moved to the 22-yard line. The Wildcats fumbled on the next play and the ball was recovered by Lions sophomore Saul Becerra (#76).

The Lions began on their own 20-yard line. On third down they dropped a potential touchdown pass and were forced into another punt. Dunbar took just two plays to score. The point-after-touchdown failed but their lead increased to 20-9 with 8:45 left in the third quarter. The Lions following possession resulted in another three-and-out (the third consecutive three-and-out to start

the second half). To make matters worse, the fourth down punt snap sailed over the punters head and was downed on the 1-yard line. Dunbar scored on the next play. Two-point conversion pushed the Wildcat lead to 28-9 (7:08/third).

The Lions, on their fourth possession of the second half, finally began to move the ball. Arroyo (#32) returned the Wildcat pooch kick 27 yards to set the Lions up on the Dunbar 43-yard line. On third-and-14, quarterback Valadez (#7) connected with Daniel Ortiz (#2) for 16 yards and a first down. After a 14-yard run by Arroyo (#32) the Lions had a first-and-goal from the 1-yard line. But after a 15-yard penalty against the Lions and two incompletes, they faced a third-and-goal from the 16-yard line. But Valadez (#7) found Ortiz (#2) for a touchdown pass. The Lions 2-point conversion failed and left CHS trailing 28-15 (4:41/third).

The CHS defense then held Dunbar on a fourth-and-9 to force the ball over on downs. But Dunbar then forced the Lions into their fourth three-and-out of the second half. The Lions entered the fourth quarter down by just two scores. Dunbar took three plays to go 69 yards for a touchdown. The point-after-touchdown failed and Wildcats led 34-15 (10:47/fourth). But the Lions were not about to roll over and continued to fight. On their next possession they scored when Valadez (#7) found Silva (#3) for an 11-yard touchdown. The two connected again for the 2-point conversion and the Lions closed the gap and trailed 34-23 (7:47/fourth). Dunbar took one play to score after the Lions touchdown and pushed their lead back up to 41-23 (7:35/fourth). The game then got away from the Lions at this point as they committed two turnovers in their next two possessions. This led to two more scores by the Wildcats and resulted in the final score of 54-23.

Castleberry will travel to Handley Field on Thursday, Oct. 27. They will play Eastern Hills. Kickoff is at 7 p.m. Go Lions!

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Aviator Douglas “Wrong Way” Corrigan *by Dr. Ken Bridges*

Accidents happen. People make wrong turns. Sometimes these end badly, sometimes not. One supposed wrong turn became part of an aviation legend. And with it, Texas native Douglas Corrigan became known for one of the most bizarre feats in aviation history – the transatlantic flight that went the wrong way.

Douglas Corrigan was born in Galveston in 1907, less than four years after the Wright Brothers completed their historic first flight. His father was an engineer, and the family moved often. But his home life was fractious, and his parents divorced when he was still young. Eventually, he ended up with his mother, sister, and brother in Los Angeles.

He dropped out of high school as a teenager and took odd jobs in construction. In 1925, he happened across a pilot offering plane rides for \$2.50. Curious, Corrigan paid the fee, hopped into the Curtiss JN-4 Jenny, and instantly fell in love with flying. He began taking lessons, and five months later, he was a licensed pilot.

Not long after he earned his license, he began working for the Ryan Aircraft Co. in San Diego, California. He helped assemble Charles Lindbergh’s custom-built Spirit of St. Louis that would later be used for the historic first transatlantic flight in May 1927. In the meantime, Corrigan continued to perfect his own piloting skills. He eventually began performing aerial stunts in company airplanes on his lunch breaks, much to the frustration of his employers.

After the success of Lindbergh’s flight, Corrigan decided he wanted to replicate the feat on his own. He spent several years taking various jobs as an aircraft mechanic and pilot. In 1933, he bought a used Curtiss Robin OX-5 for \$300. The plane was a mess, but Corrigan rebuilt it and modified it over the next several years for his flight.

In 1935, he applied for clearance to take his OX-5 across the sea from New York to Ireland non-stop. Aviation officials in New York immediately declared the plane unfit for the flight, citing a number of structural and mechanical problems. But he was cleared to fly the plane back to California. After two years of repairs and extensive modifications, Corrigan applied repeatedly, but his plane was rejected each time.

In July 1938, he flew from California to New York hoping to receive permission to finally make the flight. Somewhere during the 27-hour flight, a fuel leak developed. After he landed, he was refused again. He spent several days making repairs, and at 5 a.m. on July 17, he departed from New York and headed east. Along the way, the fuel started leaking into the cockpit, forcing Corrigan to punch a hole in the floor of the plane with a screwdriver to let the fuel escape safely. He arrived in Ireland 28 hours later. Bewildered Irish authorities were caught completely by surprise by his arrival. He claimed that his compass was broken and that he flew above the clouds and never realized he was flying over the ocean so he never noticed his “mistake.” He apologized profusely

for the misunderstanding.

For safety reasons, all pilots must file a flight plan with federal aviation authorities before each flight. Corrigan’s flight plan stated he intended to fly back to California. In response, Corrigan’s license was suspended for two weeks, the exact time it took to ship his plane back home – by boat.

After the news broke, The New York Post ran the headline “Hail Wrong Way Corrigan” in reverse. When he arrived back in the United States, he was treated to a ticker-tape parade before a throng of well-wishers estimated by newspapers at close to a million people.

Flights across the Atlantic were not so unusual by this point. Wiley Post, himself a Texas native, had completed the same trip in 1931; and Amelia Earhart became the first woman to make the flight in 1932. Seaplanes regularly crossed the Atlantic, while Zeppelin airships, the German hydrogen-filled blimps, made routine flights across the Atlantic by the mid-1930s. “Wrong Way” Corrigan was the fourth to fly from New York to Ireland non-stop in a fixed-wing aircraft, but the circumstances with his misdirection, humility, and broken-down aircraft won the hearts of millions.

Whether the flight to Europe was planned or whether it really was an accident has been debated for many years. Corrigan nevertheless insisted throughout his entire life that the flight was an accident, at least publicly. “Honest, I meant to fly to California,” he said with a shrug.

He took the jokes and the good-natured ribbing in stride. He published an autobiography within months of his flight titled “*That’s My Story*” and even endorsed a “Wrong-Way” novelty watch that ran backward. In 1939, he starred in a movie about his life called *The Flying Irishman*.

After the acclaim of his trip faded, Corrigan returned to a simple life. During World War II, Corrigan quietly served as a test pilot for the Army Air Force and delivered new planes to forward bases as part of the Air Transport Command.

After the war, he worked as a commercial pilot. He stepped away from aviation as a career by 1950 and bought an orange grove in California. He married and had three children who followed his love of flight. He sold the orange grove to developers after his wife died in 1966 and settled into semi-retirement. Tragically, one of his sons, also a pilot, died in a plane crash in 1972.

Corrigan died in December 1995 in California at age 87, beloved by family and friends. The plane from his famed transatlantic flight is on display at the Planes of Fame Museum in Chino, California.

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Quick Repair Projects to Prep Your Home for Winter

It's fall, which means it's time to roll up your sleeves, make minor fixes and prepare your home before it's time to hunker down for winter. Here are four easy DIY projects that will ensure your humble abode is in tip-top shape before the cold weather arrives.

Patch It Up

If you experienced storms this past season, survey your home's exterior for any damage. Take a walk around the grounds and look at the siding and the condition of the roof, including the garage and porch.

Use waterproof tape to temporarily patch small holes in vinyl siding, loose shingles or leaks in your gutter. The tape is formulated to withstand extreme temperatures, so it can be used for any indoor or outdoor job that requires a waterproof seal.

Making quick repairs will save you from expensive water damage costs down the road and help prevent any further issues arising during the cold weather season.

Lawn Improvement

As the leaves fall off the trees and onto the ground, an alternative to raking is to pull out the lawn mower. Trim the leaves into smaller pieces, which can then be used

as natural mulch around the yard and garden. Layer the compost around perennial beds or other plants to provide insulation and protection through the winter.

Mid-to-late fall, with the warm soil and cool air, is also an ideal time for planting grass seed, and fertilizing and filling in holes with the leaf compost. This will put you on a path to a greener lawn next spring.

Prepare the Deck

Before the first cold front approaches, make sure to clean up the patio or deck and store outdoor umbrellas, cushions and rugs in a safe spot in the garage or shed. If you notice any rot or wetness on the deck, it can be a simple fix by replacing the wood boards or using a wood filler to prevent further damage.

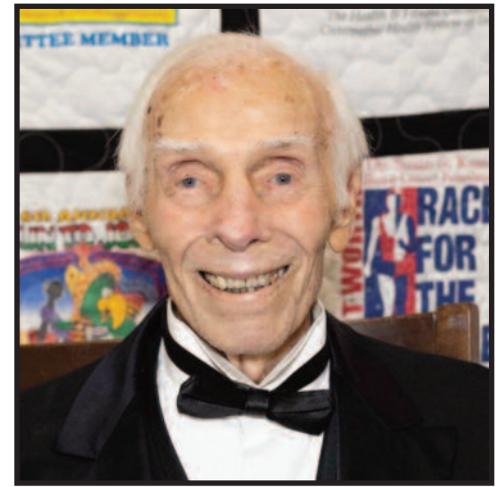
Winterize large patio furniture and protect items that are staying outside with a weatherproof cover. To keep the covers in place, secure them to the bottom of the furniture.

Squeaky Clean Exterior

Once the patio is prepped, turn your attention to the rest of the exterior. Debris and stains collected on the outside of the house during summer can set over the winter, so it's a good idea to power wash away the dirt. Start with the driveway, deck and windows and then take time to wash the siding and gutters, as long as you spray water in a direction that won't force it behind the siding or under shingles. This project will help remove lingering grime, mold and mildew and ensure the outside area is clean and ready for winter.

After checking off these projects on your fall list, your home will be properly prepped so you can relax, slow down and enjoy the season.

Obituary



Ted E. Brewer

Ted E. Brewer, 101, devoted husband, father and grandfather, passed away Oct. 18, 2022.

Funeral services were held Wednesday Oct. 26, 2022 at First United Methodist church of Fort Worth.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be directed to the church mission or [Cystic Fibrosis foundation](#).

Ted was born July 28, 1921 in Humeston, Iowa and graduated from high school in Centerville, Iowa. Drafted into the Army in 1943 during WW11, he served in the calvary in the Philippines and Japan. He earned a purple heart and two bronze stars. Returning to Texas, he earned his Masters and Doctorate in Psychology at UNT.

Ted married Mary Elizabeth Brewer in 1957. Ted and Beth then had Elizabeth Ann Golemon join them on March 16, 1961. Ted accepted a position as a professor of Psychology in Corpus Christi, Texas at Del Mar College in 1965. While teaching he also was a private psychologist. Ted retired in 1988 and moved to Benbrook, Texas to be close to Liz and family. They became active in the church enjoying many new friends and social activities. Ted became interested in running at the age 70 with his running club. He earned close to 400 medals. After Beth's death, Ted became involved in the senior citizen, YMCA, and dancing. While still continuing to run until the age 95.

Survivors daughter, Elizabeth Golemon and husband, Dale; grandson, Matthew Golemon; brother-in-law, Tommy Gillen of Grand Prairie; and many nieces and nephews.

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Your feedback is important to us.

From Meals on Wheels Tarrant County

Meals On Wheels of Tarrant County Urgently Needs Volunteers

Meals On Wheels of Tarrant County desperately needs meal-delivery volunteers, specifically on Fort Worth's Eastside and Handley-Woodhaven area. Over the last several weeks, there has been a steady increase in the number of clients in this area. They're asking anyone that lives in these neighborhoods or any surrounding areas to please contact them to volunteer.

"Volunteers are the backbone of what we do," said Carla Jutson, President & CEO. "Not only do they deliver nutritious meals and friendly smiles, but they also provide daily safety checks, ensuring that our clients are safe in this heat. Their service is more important now than ever!"

Volunteering takes just one hour, one day a week, Monday through Friday. There are open routes throughout Tarrant County, however the greatest need is in East Fort Worth.

For more information or to sign up to volunteer in Tarrant County, visit mealsonwheels.org or call 817-258-6428.

From the Tarrant County Veterans Council

Tarrant County Veterans Day Parade 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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Drug Take Back Day

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Equipment used to administer medications and illegal drugs are not accepted. Residents are asked to keep medication in original containers and remove all personal information from containers before dropping off medicines.

In addition to the event, permanent drug collection boxes are at the River Oaks Police Department.

The City of River Oaks Event Center

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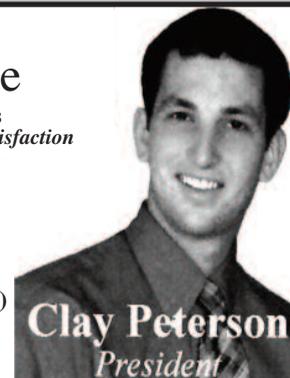
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Three Day Weekend Forecast



Friday, Oct. 28

AM - Thunderstorm possible. Cloudy; high near 61. NW wind 15-20mph, with gusts as high as 30mph. Chance of precipitation 60%.

PM - A 30% chance of showers before 1 a.m. Mostly cloudy; low around 48. North wind 10-15mph, with gusts as high as 25mph.



Saturday, Oct. 29:

AM - Mostly cloudy; high near 64. N/NW wind 10-15mph, with gusts as high as 20mph.

PM - Partly cloudy; low around 47. NW wind around 5mph, with gusts as high as 20mph.



Sunday, Oct. 30:

AM - Sunny, with a high near 70.

PM - Mostly clear, with a low around 49.

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