Major drug ring busted
6 pounds of meth, $11,000 also seized

As a result of an eight-month long investigation into illegal organized drug trafficking operations in Palo Pinto County, search warrants and arrest warrants were served last week at locations across the city of Mineral Wells, Palo Pinto County, Parker County and in the city of Dallas. “This thing stretched from Alice to Mineral Wells to Jacksboro and to Dallas,” said Sheriff Ira Mercer. “Four defendants in Dallas were the main suppliers,” he explained. “It’s pure cartel dope. There are ties to the Aryan Brotherhood and the cartels.”

In September, 18 sealed indictments were issued by the Palo Pinto County grand jury for individuals engaged in Organized Criminal Activity in regards to the distribution of methamphetamine. The investigation discovered that a number of individuals in Dallas were the source of the greater amounts of methamphetamine which were eventually distributed in Palo Pinto County by mostly local individuals. All but two individuals were located and arrested last week. During the investigation and eventual search warrants, approximately 6 pounds of methamphetamine were confiscated, five firearms, along with approximately $11,000 in illegal proceeds.

“The meth was worth about $200,000 on the street,” the sheriff said. “Two other individuals were arrested during the warrant service for illegally possession of drug paraphernalia.”

Arrested for engaging in organized criminal activity were:

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A little craziness

Above, Kennedy Ballew scoots down the inflatable slide at the Crazy Water Festival Saturday in Mineral Wells. Below, Denise Mills, aka Sparkles, is on hand to make balloon animals for children at the festival. The annual event again drew a large crowd as well as vendors offering food, games and more. The Mineral Wells Art Association had a show and music from a number of different groups kept people entertained. The car show Association had a show and music from a number of balloon animals for children at the festival. The annual event again drew a large crowd as well as vendors offering food, games and more. The Mineral Wells Art Association had a show and music from a number of different groups kept people entertained.

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Commissioners lift burn ban

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Monday, Palo Pinto County commissioners lifted the burn ban.

County Fire Marshal Buddy Harwell told the court that recent rain and more forecasted for the week meant improvement in the drought index number.

Commissioners have asked that, while outdoor burning is allowed at this time, those conducting outdoor burns notify the Palo Pinto County Sheriff’s Office to preclude the need for volunteer fire departments to investigate unknown smoke calls reported to the sheriff’s office.

Technically, outdoor burning in Texas is prohibited, however, there are exceptions.

“The Outdoor Burning Rule first prohibits outdoor burning anywhere in Texas, and then allows exceptions for specific situations in which burning is necessary or does not pose a threat to the environment,” the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality notes. Allowed outdoor burning includes:

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• Outdoor burning is not prohibited or authorized by the local governmental and fire officials. When the waste is generated only from that property, in rural Palo Pinto County, there is no domestic waste provided or authorized by the county government. There are, however, waste services available.

Wastes normally resulting from the function of life within a residence that can be burned include such things as kitchen garbage, untreated lumber, cardboard boxes, packaging (including plastics and rubber), clothing, grass, leaves and brush trimming.

Examples of wastes that cannot be burned include such things as tires, non-wood construction debris, furniture, carpet, electrical wire and appliances.

On-site burning of trees,
Monday, Oct. 22

Retired Teachers
Palo Pinto County Retired Teachers and School Employees will meet at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 22, at Holiday Hills Country Club. David Nicklas, Palo Pinto County Judge, will present the program. Projects will be sponsored and retired teachers will be nominating committee.

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2013 ANNUAL MEETING

Meeting Notice
General Meeting of the members of The W.K. Gordon Center for Western History, held at 6:30 p.m. the third Monday of each month. All are welcome. The center is located at 201 E. Division St., Graford. For more information, call 940-779-3880.

ENTERTAINMENT

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BBQ LUNCH IS SERVED

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-Mark Twain

Graford School Menu

Mobile Meals Menu Tuesday, Oct. 22: Chicken and dumplings, peas, carrots and salad

Thursday, Oct. 24: Taco salad, chips and salsa

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—Oscar Wilde, Irish dramatist, novelist (1854-1900)
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2. **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time**
3. **The Great Gatsby**
4. **The Martian**
5. **The Alchemist**
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5. Luke Bryan
6. Jason Aldean
7. Eric Church
8. Florida Georgia Line
9. Dierks Bentley
10. Eric Paslay

Top 10 Songs

2. **It Goes Like This** - Thomas Rhett
3. **Royal** - Lorde
4. **Gone Gone Gone** - Phillip Phillips
5. **Pulling Strings** (PG) Laura Ramsey, Jaime Camil
6. **Insidious: Chapter 2** (PG-13) Patrick Wilson, Tyrese
7. **Let Her Go** - Passenger
8. **Sail** - Awolnation
10. **Gone Gone Gone** - Phillip Phillips

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1. **The Martini Club**
2. **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time**
3. **The Great Gatsby**
4. **The Martian**
5. **The Alchemist**
6. **Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows**
7. **The Da Vinci Code**
8. **The Hunger Games**
9. **1984**
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Obituary

Marilyn Joyce Murray

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Fishing Report

Water fairly clear; 77-83 degrees; 11.63-feet low. Black bass are fair to good on Yellows Magics early, later switching to drop-shot rigs, jigs and Carolina rigs. Crappie are fair on minnows and jig & minnow brush piles, while bass are fair to good on slabs and small spinners. Striped bass are fair on live shad and Shad Shad. Catfish are fair on night crawlers.

(Information provided by TPW)

TPWD predicts good deer hunting

While not clear of the drought, things are looking up in many parts of the state this year and the outlook for deer and deer hunting is much brighter. Archery-only deer season runs through Friday, Nov. 1.

The general firearms season begins Nov. 2. The special youth-only deer seasons are Oct. 26-27 and Jan. 6-23.

Biologists can provide some general predictions each year based on rainfall and general habitat conditions that are applicable at a landscape level scale, but whether those predictions hold true for individual properties is like trying to guess the lotto numbers on the Saturday night drawing. Factors like rainfall, availability of food, like acorns or mesquite beans, habitat quality and availability, hunting pressure, play a role in shaping hunting success. Aside from rainfall and general habitat quality, biologists also consider previous year’s deer population characteristics to make some predictions for the upcoming season.

“Statewide population trends remain stable and hunters should expect very good numbers of deer year in and year out,” said Alan Cain, TPWD whitetail deer program leader. “I would predict the statewide deer population to be close to or slightly above the long-term average and hover around that 3.6 million deer mark for 2013.”

“Game hunters should also keep in mind is the good carryover of deer from the 2012 season as harvest was down resulting from heavy acorn crops and mast crops in several regions of the state,” Cain noted. “For hunters, this translates into plenty of opportunities to harvest a deer.”

Dry conditions in 2011 resulted in a significant decline in fawn production down to 29 percent for the statewide estimate, a 24 percent departure from the long-term average. Fawn crops bounced back in 2012 at 47 percent and Cain anticipated survey results will show a high fawn crop this year. For hunters, fawn crops may not be as meaningful since harvest is generally focused on older age class bucks, but remember those fawns this year translate into lots of does years into the future.

Another aspect of typical hunting season forecast is the prediction of antler quality and how many big bucks will be found across the landscape. “As far as antler quality goes, rainfall plays a key role in influencing the native habitat and forage, ultimately affecting the quality of nutrition a buck receives in order to grow antlers,” Cain explained. “In dry years, we typically see a decline in overall antler quality. In wet years much related to nutrition.”

Some managers provide supplemental feed or buffer against nutritional impact resulting from drought. However, research in South Texas has shown that native habitat is crucial to deer nutrition even when supplemental feed is provided. So maintaining quality native habitat is the prediction of antler quality to be above average. Hunters should expect the latter.

Another aspect of typical population is the antler quality to be above average. The state is receiving good spring rains and average for those that were a little drier this spring and summer. The good news is that, drought or no drought, Texas still produces some whoppers each year. Another positive trend we have observed in the last few years is that the antler quality of young bucks in the harvest has declined across the state, and most noticeably in the eastern third of the state where bucks had a hard time surviving in 3- to 4-year periods of dry weather. Cain pointed out. In 2012, bucks 3 to 2 years old and older comprised 85 percent of all bucks checked during TPWD survey which is a reflection of the deer harvested each year.

Overall, the 2013 season is expected to be a good one with great opportunities to harvest a deer.

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He attended high school and played football in Odessa. After high school, he went to the University of Houston on a football scholarship.

Over the course of a four-decade career that has taken Larry and the Gatlin Brothers from Texas stages to White House performances, from Broadway to Grammy Awards to the top of the country charts, there has been one unifying element: music. His hits have included “Hollywood (Mama Called To Jesus),” “All the Gold in Calico,” “She Used to Be Mine,” “If the Good Lord’s Willing and the Creek Don’t Rise,” “Breaking Up Was Easy (Back in the Good Old Days),” and “She’s Some Kind of Angel.”

If tickets are available at the door, $15 at the door.

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County Court

Miguel Angel Castilla, 34, and Carmen Genovese, 35, were married Sept. 14, 2013, by Dr. Alan J. Freis, at Possum Kingdom Lake. Witnesses were David Raul Gonzalez, 28, and Cassie Christine Forzieri, 25.

Belzy Ramos Perez, 21, and Elizabeth Gonzalez Rodriguez, 20, were married Oct. 7, 2013, by Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Todd Baker, at Palo Pinto.

Shawn Dale Jones, 47, and Kristina Shephard, 39, were married Sept. 28, 2013, by the Rev. W. Bradley Thompson, at Ernest Eugene Hall, 78, and Doris Nell Wagnon, 78, were married Oct. 6, 2013, by the Rev. Larry Pratt.

Criminal cases filed:

Oct. 9: State of Texas vs. Stacie Michelle Clements, possession of a controlled substance less than 28 grams or more than 2 ounces, driving while intoxicated, family violence.

Oct. 8: State of Texas vs. Harold Karl Saer, driving while intoxicated, Motion to revoke.

Oct. 4: State of Texas vs. Nathanial Jacob McGraw, cruelty to non-livestock animals, causing bodily injury. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 8: State of Texas vs. Randolph David Flores, criminal trespass, traffic offense, Class C.

Oct. 9: State of Texas vs. Randolph David Flores, traffic offense, Class C, driving while license invalid. Appelled from a lower court.

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Criminal cases completed:


Oct. 7: State of Texas vs. Chadwick Everett Dillard, driving while intoxicated. Dismissed.

Oct. 7: State of Texas vs. Thomas Randall Adcox, resisting arrest, search or transport. Dismissed.


Oct. 4, 2013: State of Texas vs. Philip Scott Young, driving while intoxicated, Possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 4: State of Texas vs. Sonja Sue Spurlock, possession of marijuana 4 ounces or more but less than 5 pounds, drug free zone. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 8: State of Texas vs. Christine J. Roeder, public servant. Sentenced to three months confinement, $350 fine and $336 court costs.

Oct. 8: State of Texas vs. Susan Sue Spurlock, possession of marijuana 2 ounces or more but less than 4 ounces. Given deferred adjudication, seven months probation, $350 fine and $336 court costs.

Civil cases completed:

Oct. 8: Dustin Kyle Muel ler vs. State of Texas, civil case relative to criminal matters, non-jury.

Oct. 8: Ronald Yvonne Bridges vs. State of Texas, civil case relative to criminal matters. Final judgement, non-jury.

District Court

Criminal cases filed:

Oct. 10: State of Texas vs. George Edgar Ford III, possession, transport of chemical with intent to manufacture, delivery of a controlled substance. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 10: State of Texas vs. Francisco Aguilar, driving while intoxicated, third or more offense. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 10: State of Texas vs. John A. Odden, driving while intoxicated, third or more offense. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 10: State of Texas vs. Angela Odden Beard, tampering with government records, defraud, fraud. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 10: State of Texas vs. Elizabeth Ann Willis, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 8: State of Texas vs. Sonja Sue Spurlock, possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 7: State of Texas vs. Michelle Bridges vs. State of Texas, civil case relative to criminal matters. Final judgement, non-jury.

Oct. 7: State of Texas vs. Dejan Milic, possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 7: State of Texas vs. Kyle Howard Crum, possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 7: State of Texas vs. Jake Dru Hall, evading arrest with a vehicle. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 7: State of Texas vs. Richard Charles Durrant, burglary of a habitation. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 7: State of Texas vs. Marion Smiley, possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 7: State of Texas vs. David Ray Pearson Jr., possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 7: State of Texas vs. Delvin M. Keel, possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 7: State of Texas vs. Mitchell Todd Fagg, burglary of a habitation. Motion to revoke.

Oct. 7: State of Texas vs. David Tennison, burglary of a habitation. Motion to revoke.

A Woodson player prepares to block the ball after Esmeralda Balvantin (7) makes a return in Tuesday’s game. Graford handed Woodson a 25-16, 25-15 loss.

Graford Lady Rabbit Amanda Francis (12) returns the ball during a set against Perrin, while Ashly Rogers (11) and Katie Rochelle (6) wait for a possible return.

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Lady Rabbits win against Perrin

Follow with victory Tuesday

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According to Coach Derek Walthrich, Graford lacked the net attacks needed to gain momentum within the first match but did succeed in accomplishing several net attacks overall.

“Graford’s serving was the best. It has been all season. Our middle players did a great job mixing up sets and winning points off dumps. Katie Rochelle had several key attacks at the net. Freshman Esmeralda Balvantin played better than she has all year and had key kills at the end of the second and fourth sets to seal the game,” Walthrich said.

Tuesday, the Lady Rabbits defeated the Poolville Lady Cougars in only three sets, 25-16, 25-15 and 25-15.

“Rochelle and Rogers led the team with eight combined points. Rogers elevated her serving to win the set and only one service error was made in the second and fourth sets,” Walthrich continued.

This win elevated the Lady Rabbits to record 3-4 in district.

The Graford Lady Rabbits will host the Poolville Lady Monarchs beginning at 5:30 p.m. today, Friday, for Senior Night.