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Wednesday, December 23, 2020



Santa Claus made his way all around Sanger last week on top of a Sanger Fire Department Truck. He fought through some cold and rainy weather to see the children who are naughty and nice. See hundreds of letters to Santa from Sanger ISD elementary school students in the special 14-page section inside this issue of the Sanger News:

## DENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING:

### COVID-19 vaccinations going to hospitals

Denton County Public Health spokesperson Jennifer Rainey said vaccines are being allocated directly to hospitals and health providers, bypassing local government involvement. Discussion at last week's Denton County Commissioners Court meeting echoed that understanding, with officials saying they believe the vaccines will be distributed to the county's major hospitals through their larger systems in the Dallas-Fort Worth area — but the county is “out of the loop” on the specifics.

Texas Health Resources later that afternoon announced it had received the concentrate for 5,850 doses of the Pfizer vaccine Tuesday morning that will be split among 16 of the system's hospitals, including Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Denton.

The release did not specify how many vaccines will be sent to each location but said they will be transported throughout the rest of the week and will be used for front-line caregivers and other health care workers in emergency departments and COVID-19 units.

DCPH Assistant Director Juan Rodriguez clarified his understanding of the situation: that health providers register through the state and then have the vaccine distributed directly to them — meaning the de-

partment is left out when it comes to distributing vaccines to other providers in the county.

“We're out of the loop on who gets the vaccine and when they get the vaccine,” Marchant said.

Rodriguez confirmed that understanding, saying the county can't make requests for the health providers, but that DCPH has been helping them through the registration process. He also reiterated what officials have maintained since last week regarding the county's major hospitals receiving vaccines from their larger systems.

“Our hospitals are part of systems, so the systems have been ordering for their entire system and then do share within themselves,” Rodriguez said. “We do anticipate our hospitals will receive them from the systems, such as Medical City.”

County Judge Andy Eads said the department will offer vaccinations as a provider “at the appropriate stage of time” and that the county will “definitely be in the vaccination business.”

“Four out of five of our hospitals are part of larger networks, and that's a great asset to us,” Eads said. “When that distribution comes, it may not come directly to a Denton County hospital, but it will be coming into those [networks], who will then be

sharing it.”

Later Tuesday evening, Eads said he doesn't believe there have been communication issues with the state because DCPH and county officials are in constant communication with hospitals, the direct recipients of the vaccines.

“We're where we need to be as far as having those communications,” Eads said. “It's a real-time process. Everybody's doing their best to get them in the right hands.”

Commissioners also extended the county's COVID-19 disaster declaration through March 30 during Tuesday's meeting, the last of 2020. The declaration was previously set to expire Dec. 30.

On Thursday, Will Jones, a respiratory therapist, was the first worker at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Denton to receive a coronavirus vaccine.

Nurse Ashley Ferguson administered the vaccine Thursday, according to hospital officials.

That shot marked a huge step forward for Denton County. Despite being one of the top 10 largest counties by population in the state, the county was not among the first recipients of vaccines when they shipped out last week.

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**SANGER ISD COVID-19 DATA DASHBOARD**

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### Clarification of Learning Platform:

Last week Sanger ISD Superintendent Dr. Tommy Hunter clarified the learning platform of mandatory on-campus for students, starting in January: He wanted to be more transparent with the district's decisions. “I apologize for any misunderstanding or confusion created by first closing three of our campuses, followed by a letter the next day closing our online learning platform,” he stated in a release on December 16th.

It has been a challenge all year long to keep the doors to the campuses open for instruction. The virus has played havoc in education as it has many other occupations. When the SISD students are forced to be quarantined due to “close contact,” or test positive for COVID, they have the option of moving to the online learning platform and continue to stay plugged in. However, when the teachers are forced to quarantine or test positive, SISD struggles to classrooms from an educational standpoint and/or a safety perspective. That was the case last Monday when they decided to close three campuses (Buttefield Elementary,

Chisholm Trail Elementary and Clear Creek Intermediate). They had over 40 teachers quarantined or tested positive, leaving it logistically impossible to cover the classes. “I realize closing the campuses was not a popular decision created for the parents and students,” stated Hunter.

SISD administrators have been monitoring the online platform throughout the first semester very closely. Some of the data has fluctuated over the first semester, but a few constants remained. First, the district has averaged close to a 70% failure rate for online students. For example, they have close to 65 online students in their secondary campuses in jeopardy of not passing for the year. Averages possibly too low to recover during the second semester of school. The elementary campuses are experiencing similar circumstances where literacy is a critical component. The online learners are missing out on daily individualized literacy instruction, creating educational gaps.

However, not all students fall into this category. Many online students are making passing grades. The second constant they have witnessed is when

students who are passing the online platform choose to return to in-person learning. Even though they are passing, they are academically behind in the knowledge and skills compared to the students who have received in-person instruction the entire school year. “Our goal is not to punish students who have been online, but attempt to ensure all students are receiving the quality instruction and learning expected from Sanger ISD,” added Hunter.

They are not completely closing the online learning platform. It is still available for any student who falls into three categories: Medically Fragile “High Risk”; Positive COVID-19; and Close Contact Quarantine.

SISD is not taking away the privilege or receiving an education through the online platform, but requiring the online platform to be used for its intended purpose. Their decision was based on data and growing concern for the level and quality of education the students are receiving online.

More information is available about the mandatory on-campus learning on page 6.



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## OBITUARIES...

### Roy Burtis Bland

December 6, 1943 - December 13, 2020

Roy Burtis Bland, 77, of Slidell, passed away at his home on Sunday, December 13, 2020. Born on December 6, 1943, in Sanger, Texas, He was the son of Roy Edgar and Elvie Ann (Howard) Bland.

On February 20, 1961, Burt married Bessie Jean Armor in Denton, Texas. They made their home in Slidell, where they raised their children and were members of the Open Range Cowboy Church in Krum.

Burt worked in paving/ road construction and was employed by Calvert Paving for over 32 years until he retired.

Burt's visitation was Tuesday, December 15, 2020, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm at Coker Funeral Home in Sanger. Funeral was Wednesday, December 16, 2020, at Open Range Cowboy Church in Krum. Earl Bengston officiated the services.

Burt was preceded in death by his wife Bessie; his daughter, Tammy Walker; and his parents. Remaining to cherish his memory are his four sons and daughters-in-law; Benny and wife Susan of Greenwood, Wesley and wife Paula of Slidell, Burt and wife Glenda of Argyle, Chris Vestal of Slidell and son-in-law, Archie Walker of Slidell; one brother Calvin Bland of Krum and one sister Cathy Gibbs also of Krum. Nine grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews also survive him.

Services were under the direction of Coker Funeral Home in Sanger. You may offer your condolences or share a memory of Burt with the Bland family at [www.cokerfuneralhome.com](http://www.cokerfuneralhome.com).



### Bernard "Beake" Nubine

September 8, 1958 - December 14, 2020

Bernard "Beake" Nubine was born on September 8, 1958, to John and Dorothy Nubine of Sanger, Texas.

Bernard graduated from Sanger High School in 1978 and proceeded to Ranger Jr. College on a baseball scholarship. After leaving college, he worked as a long-haul truck driver. He enjoyed the freedom and travel his work afforded him.

He was a mild-mannered, easy-going, friendly, and sports-loving man that had a deep belief and faith in Christ.

Bernard is survived by his son, Xavier Nubine, his Mother Dorothy Nubine, four sisters, Wanda Nubine, Margaret Ware, Sharon Pereira, and Peggy Haskins; and a host of Aunts, Uncles, nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

Visitation for Bernard was on Saturday, December 19, 2020, at Coker Funeral Home in Sanger. Funeral services were 11:00 am on Sunday, December 20, 2020, at the Galilee Missionary Baptist Church in Sanger. Pastor Reginald T. Logan, Sr. was officiating minister. Pallbearers were Jacob Ware, John Johnson, Wilbert Biggens, Russell Parramore, Franklin Haskins, and John Henderson.

Funeral services were under the direction of Coker Funeral Home. Please share a favorite memory of Bernard or offer your condolences to the Nubine Family at [www.cokerfuneralhome.com](http://www.cokerfuneralhome.com).



### Narcy Cano

May 14, 1937 - December 10, 2020

Narcy is survived by his loving dear wife, Elida of 63 years. They enjoyed being together all the time. They both raised three children in Sanger, Texas.

Narcy Cano Jr. fell asleep in death on December 10, 2020 in Denton, Texas. He was born in Beeville, Texas.

He was preceded in death by parents Narcisso Cano Sr. and Virginia Elizondo Ronje' and Stepfather Bernardino Linan Ronje'.

He is survived by (son) Narcy Cano III and his wife Susan Cano, (daughter) Lauren Ashley and husband Cass Wehmer; and (daughter) Candance Nicole and husband Anthony Devito, Albert Adam Cano and wife Evonne Cano, Eliza Ann Cano, His sisters who loved him so much, Adelia Cano Ronje' and husband Ben Ronje', Maggie Ronje' De La Garza and Arturo De La Garza, Johnny Ronje', Maria Ronje' Cave and husband Tim Cave. His brother-in-law, and sister-in-law, who loved him like their own brother: Bill Trevinio and wife Audrey Trevinio, Elemird Trevinio, Baldemar Jr. Trevinio, Aunt Mele De La Rosa and husband Isaias De La Rosa, Along with many beloved nieces and nephews.



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### Donald Mark Putman

September 6, 1955 - December 15, 2020

Donald "Donnie" Mark Putman, 65, of Sanger passed away on December 15, 2020 in Denton Texas. He was born on September 6, 1955 in Clarendon, Texas to L.M. Jr. and Norma Putman.

As a teen Donnie earned his Eagle Scout, which is the highest achievement in the Boy Scouts of America. He graduated from Clarendon High School in 1974 and went directly into the workforce. After both his daughters were born they moved to Crowell, where he dutifully and faithfully served the people of Foard County in multiple roles. One role he took the most pride in was his role as the Crowell Volunteer Fire Department Chief. Donnie was devoted to his wife of almost 44 years and to his two daughters. He loved to watch his granddaughters activities, and was always an active spectator and supporter. Donnie was a great "girl dad and granddad". In 2019 he retired from Krum ISD, but still continued to drive/monitor on the special needs bus where his heart was. He and Darla enjoyed their semi-retirement and the flexibility it provided to be actively involved in their granddaughters lives and activities.

Donnie is survived by his wife, Darla Putman of Sanger, 2 daughters, Courtney Putman-Carey and her husband Bobby of Denton and Ashley Putman-Doyal and her husband Dale of Ponder, Texas, one sister Jullie Mi-

lam and her husband Tom of Panhandle, Texas, and one brother Terry Putman and his wife, Cindy of Las Vegas, NV. His pride and joy were his five grandchildren. Kyla Doyal, Raylee Carey, Ryann Belle Carey, Lexie Doyal, and Jessa Doyal. 4 Nephews and 5 Nieces as well as several great nieces and nephews, multiple aunts, uncles, cousins, and so many life long friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, and one sister, Marcia Putman.

The family received friends on Sunday, December 20, 2020 from 2-4 PM at DeBerry Funeral Directors in Denton, Texas. A Graveside Service was held at Crowell Cemetery in Crowell, Texas on Tuesday, December 22, 2020 at 1:00 PM.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made in his name to causes near to his heart.

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The Board of Directors for the Sanger Cemetery Association is making a final plea to have family members remove any items at graves in the cemetery that are not within the cemetery Rules and Regulations. A mass letter was sent in 2018, giving everyone ample time to make these removals. The cemetery Rules and Regulations are on the deed issued to you when you purchased your lot and posted inside the gate on a large sign.

We want to thank everyone who has followed these guidelines and those who have cleaned their areas up. Two weeks from this publication date, all items not within the guidelines will be removed and taken to the North end of the cemetery by the dumpster including, trinkets, benches, arches, and statues. You will have 30 days to retrieve your items and your items only! At the end of the 30 days, all items will be placed in the dumpster or hauled off.

Please note: all unsightly flower arrangements and all bushes will be removed and discarded. Once the cleanup process is complete, the caretaker will maintain this procedure. For your convenience, the Rules and Regulations are below.

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### Richard A. Molter, Jr.

July 14, 1934 - December 13, 2002

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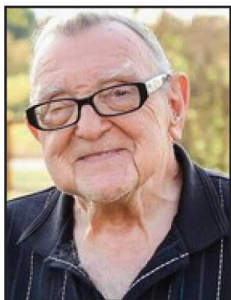
Our faithful Lord and Savior called Richard A. Molter Jr. home on December 13, 2020 at the age of 86. He was born July 14, 1934, in Pasadena, California, to Richard A. and Ethel L. Molter but with both parents from Texas, Richard Jr considered himself a "Native" Texan.

Growing up in San Antonio, as an Eagle Scout, he graduated from Brackenridge High and enlisted in the US Navy, being honorably discharged in 1955. He married Glenda Jansen and then graduated with a degree in Electronics from the University of Houston in 1959 and later with a B.S. in Business Administration from UT/Dallas. After many years in the electronics world, he finally retired for good in 2011. Richard became a follower of Christ in 1948 and upon death was a member of Plainview Baptist Church in Krum, Texas. He taught numerous Sunday School classes

throughout his lifetime.

He is survived by his wife Doris Parnell of Krum, his brother Ronald (Betty) of Kingston, his sister Ruth Ann (Ronn) of Garland, his three daughters, Lei Ann Wayman (Mike) of Borne, Lori K Horvath (Joe) of Fayetteville, Ark. and Kathy Burgess (Wes) of Fayetteville, stepdaughter Sarah Jaillet, 7 grandchildren, several great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation was held at Plainview Baptist from 9:00 to 10:00 on Saturday, December 19, 2020. Funeral Services followed starting at 10:00AM. Interment was held at High Cemetery in Canton, TX at 3:00PM.



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# “Oh No, the Mistletoe!”

Let's talk about the most romantic of all holiday plants....mistletoe. You might have seen a mistletoe tree before, but like unicorns and the Cowboys winning another Super Bowl, it doesn't exist. Mistletoe lives on other trees such as hackberries, oaks, elms and pecans. It's evergreen so when the host tree loses its leaves, you are left with mistletoe. It can practically take over a tree. So that's why in the winter, you might think that the tree is indeed a mistletoe tree.

Being green, mistletoe does photosynthesize its own food. However, it does take water and some nutrients from the host tree which makes it only semi-parasitic. Mistletoe doesn't kill a tree, but it doesn't help it either. Older or stressed trees could continue to decline with an overabundance of mistletoe.

Birds are the culprits that spread mistletoe around. They feast on the white berries and then poop out the seeds in other trees. Some berries with seed may even hitchhike on a bird to find a new location.

Once the seed has found a new tree, the roots delve into the bark of the branch. Often there is a swollen area where the mistletoe attaches. The roots can spend a few years growing before the mistletoe plant appears.

Getting rid of mistletoe is not easy. The best method is to cut the branch back at least 12 inches in from the mistletoe to ensure that all of the roots are removed. Merely cutting mistletoe where it comes out of the branch or snapping it off only makes the mistletoe more determined. For chemical control a growth regulator can be used but the effects are only temporary.

How did this semi-parasite become associated with Christmas and kissing? First of all, it is noticeable in winter. The Celtic Druids believed this indicated vitality and that the plant had mystical healing properties. They probably were the first to decorate with mistletoe to ward off evil spirits. Norse mythol-

ogy has a dramatic tale in which mistletoe has a starring role. The berries are said to have been tears of a grieving goddess which may have started the association with love.

Dear reader, I did scour the interwebs to find out when and how the modern tradition of kissing under the mistletoe started. One source claimed that an English musical from 1784 mentions kissing under the mistletoe. Washington Ir-

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ving is credited for one of the first mentions in print of mistletoe at Christmas in an 1820 book. And in the classic “A Christmas Carol,” the first printing in 1843 included illustrations depicting kissing under the mistletoe. I found it interesting to read that the original custom involved removing a berry in order to be kissed. Once all the berries had been picked the kissing was over. That would definitely be a factor on “when to arrive at a party.” Of all the years to talk about kissing under mistletoe, this is not the right one. I hope the sprig of mistletoe hanging on my front porch doesn't send a mixed message to all the hard-working delivery persons who have made my life safer this year. Perhaps I need to explain that it's simply a symbol of love and friendship, not an invitation to spread germs!



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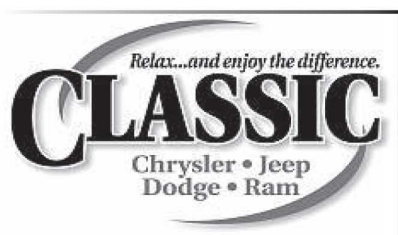
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# Weekly Police Report

## SANGER DEPARTMENT CALLS

*Below is a selection of calls for service that the Sanger Police Department responded to during the period of December 2-11, 2020. Thirteen traffic violation warnings and seven tickets were issued during this time.*

100 INDIAN LANE - CALLER ADVISED A STUDENT'S PARENT CALLED AND STATED THAT THERE WAS A MALE IN THE AREA WHO LOOKED SUSPICIOUS. NO SIGNS OF MALE OR CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. NFI.

600 STEMMONS FRWY N- BURGLARY OF VEHICLE AT THE HOLIDAY INN. FIRE ARM TAKEN. REPORT MADE. NFI.

1004 MAPLE ST N- MALE WAS PACING IN FRONT OF FUZZY'S. NO SIGNS OF INTOX. WAS WAITING FOR HIS PHONE SERVICE TO BE SWITCHED. NO OFFENSE.

2101 STEMMONS FRWY S- WALK THRU BELLA MANSION.

800 BLOCK VERNON CRT- RO MADE WITH THE DOG OWNER REGARDING A DOG BITE. INFO GATHERED FOR ATMOS ENERGY.

WILLOW- VEHICLE DRIVING SLOWLY THROUGH CEMETERY. DROVE THROUGH TO ENSURE NO CRIMINAL ACTIVITY WAS AFOOT.

3000 BLOCK LAKESIDE DR- COMPS WORK TRUCK GOT BURGLARIZED. SEVERAL ITEMS WERE TAKEN FROM SIDE COMPARTMENTS. CASE WAS CREATED.

FM 2450 @ MERIN DR- HAY BAILE ON THE ROAD, ASSISTED BY BLOCKING TRAFFIC WHILE THEY PUSHED IT ON THE TRAILER.

100 BLOCK PARMA CRT- CALLER STATED SHE WANTS SUBJECT CRIMINALLY TRESPASSED BUT HAS NO INFORMATION TO HIS ADDRESS OR LICENSE PLATE NUMBER. SHE STATED SHE COULD POSSIBLY GET A PLATE NUMBER OFF HER CAMERA BUT IT WOULD NOT BE UNTIL MONDAY. I INFORMED HER THAT IF THAT'S THE SOONEST SHE COULD PROVIDE IT, I WOULD HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL THEN TO ISSUE A CRIMINAL TRESPASS.

135 @ 482- I RESPONDED TO VEHICLE WITH A POSSIBLE NAKED DRIVER. I FOUND THE VEHICLE AND WAS NOT ABLE TO OBSERVE ANY TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS TO MAKE A TRAFFIC STOP AND I WAS UNABLE TO OBSERVE THE DRIVER BEING NAKED, NO FURTHER ACTION WAS TAKEN AT THIS TIME.

100 BLOCK WILLOW- COMPLIANT FOUND HIS VEHICLE WITH SCRATCHES, AIRBAGS DEPLOYED, AND A FLAT TIRE. CASE WAS CREATED FOR THIS EVENT.

1000 BLOCK COWLING RD- FEMALE PASSENGER OF VEHICLE BOOKED INTO DENTON COUNTY JAIL FOR PUBLIC INTOX. DRIVER OF VEHICLE WAS BOOKED IN FOR DWI. PASSENGER COULD NOT FIND A RIDE FROM ANYONE TO PICK UP FROM THE LOCATION. THE FEMALE WAS NOT FREE TO LEAVE IN THE CONDITION SHE WAS IN DUE TO BEING INTOXICATED.

902 STEMMONS FRWY N- OBSERVED DRIVER WITH DEFECTIVE HEADLAMP. INITIATED A TRAFFIC STOP AND OBSERVED A HALF EMPTY 12 PACK OF BEER IN THE BACK SEAT. THE DRIVER ADMITTED TO HAVING HAD 2 BEERS. CONDUCTED HGN AND OBSERVED NO CLUES. DRIVER WAS RELEASED WITH A WRITTEN WARNING FOR THE HEADLAMP.

AUSTIN @ 3RD- INITIATED A TRAFFIC STOP ON THE VEHICLE FOR RUNNING THE STOP SIGN AT WAYNE ST. AND 5TH ST. THE VEHICLE WAS SLOW TO STOP FOR OFFICER. WHEN MAKING CONTACT WITH THE DRIVER THE ODOR OF MARIJUANA WAS PRESENT IN THE VEHICLE. A PC SEARCH PRODUCED 2 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND A SMALL AMOUNT OF MARIJUANA. OFFICERS ISSUED CITATIONS FOR DRUG PARAPHERNALIA AND MINOR IN POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL.

CHAPMAN- STOPPED VEHICLE FOR RUNNING A STOP SIGN. ISSUED CITATIONS FOR RUNNING STOP SIGN, MINOR POSSESSION OF TOBACCO, AND DL RESTRICTION.

1100 BLOCK FM 1190- ASSISTED COUNTY ON A DOMESTIC. PROVIDED ROAD CLOSURE, AND TRAFFIC CONTROL.

900 BLOCK WOOD ST- CALLER STATED THEY RECEIVED CALL FROM UNKNOWN NUMBER STATING HER BROTHER OWED THEM MONEY. SHE STATED SHE DOES NOT KNOW WHO THEY ARE AND KEEPS GETTING CALL FROM IT. SHE WAS ADVISED BY DISPATCH TO BLOCK THE NUMBER. I ATTEMPTED CONTACT AND SHE DID NOT RESPOND. I LEFT CALL BACK NUMBER.

209 FIFTH ST N- MAN CAME UP TO ME TO ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT A SCAVENGER HUNT HE WAS ON.

5200 BLOCK DUCK CREEK- ASSISTED DCSO WITH HIGHLY INTOXICATED MALE WALKING AROUND BANGING ON PEOPLES DOORS. MALE WAS NOT HAPPY WE WERE THERE AND WAS HOSTILE TOWARDS OFFICERS. DCSO DEPUTY ARRIVED AND THEY ADVISED HIM TO STAY INSIDE AND GO TO BED. SANGER OFFICERS CLEARED WITH NO FURTHER INCIDENT.

1ST @ CHAPMAN- ASSISTED 785 WITH PROBABLE CAUSE SEARCH. SFST CONDUCTED AND DRIVER WAS FREE TO LEAVE THE SCENE. NO SIGNS OF INTOXICATION.

4900 BLOCK VILAS DR- I MADE CONTACT WITH THE FAMILY AND THEY STATED THEY DID NOT NEED ANY EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AND STATED THERE WAS NO DISTURBANCE. I DID NOT OBSERVE ANYTHING THAT WOULD LEAD ME TO BELIEVE A CRIMINAL OFFENSE HAS OCCURRED AT THIS LOCATION. NO FURTHER ACTION WAS TAKEN AT THIS TIME.

4900 BLOCK VILAS DR- I ATTEMPTED TO MAKE CONTACT WITH VEHICLE OWNER AT THIS ADDRESS. RESIDENT AT THIS ADDRESS ADVISED THE VEHICLE OWNER NO LONGER LIVED AT THE ADDRESS AND HAD BEEN LEFT ABANDONED FOR OVER A YEAR.

800 STEMMONS FRWY N- CONCRETE LEFT IN ROADWAY FROM CONCRETE TRUCK. CLEANED UP BY WORK CREW. NFI.

600 BLOCK HOUSTON- I MADE CONTACT AT THE RESIDENCE AND SEVERAL PEOPLE WERE IN THE RESIDENCE. I SPOKE WITH ALL OF THEM AND ASKED THEM WHAT WAS GOING ON AND THEY STATED THE MUSIC WAS LOUD AND THERE WAS NOTHING GOING ON. I OBSERVED TWO OF THE MALE OCCUPANTS IN A STARE DOWN WITH A FEMALE BLOCKING THEM AND THEY STATED NOTHING WAS GOING ON. I DID NOT OBSERVE ANY PHYSICAL INJURIES OR ANY SIGN THAT A PHYSICAL FIGHT HAD OCCURRED AT THIS TIME. I ADVISED THE OCCUPANTS THAT IF THE NOISE CONTINUED WE WOULD GET CALLED BACK TO THE RESIDENCE. THEY ALL STATED THEY UNDERSTOOD AND I LEFT THE RESIDENCE SINCE NO ONE AT THE RESIDENCE WANTED TO SPEAK TO ME ABOUT WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENED PRIOR TO MY ARRIVAL. NO FURTHER ACTION WAS TAKEN AT THIS TIME.

135 @ 477 HWY- SPEEDING 98 IN 75. CITATION ISSUED.

180 WALTER- PROVIDED A SCENE SECURITY FOR OFFICER DURING SUSPICIOUS PERSON STOP.

703 STEMMONS S- REPORT TAKEN FOR STOLEN CATALYTIC CONVERTER.

600 STEMMONS FRWY N- WHITE MALE SITTING IN PARKING LOT DRINKING BEER. TOLD HIM HE COULD NOT SIT IN THE P/L AND DRINK ALCOHOL. SUGGESTED HE CLEAN HIS MESS UP AND GO TO HIS HOTEL ROOM.

135 @ 480 HWY- FEMALE LAYING ASLEEP IN THE GRASSY AREA NEXT TO THE SERVICE ROAD. FEMALE NOT INTOXICATED ADVISED SHE WAS HOMELESS AND TRYING TO WALK TO GAINESVILLE. FEMALE GIVEN A COURTESY RIDE TO THE WALMART IN GAINESVILLE.

300 BLOCK BOLIVAR- SPOKE WITH SUBJECT. SHE ADVISED THAT SHE WAS THREATENED BY THE GUY SHE WAS STAYING WITH THAT IF SHE DIDN'T LEAVE HE WAS GOING TO HIT HER. SHE ADVISED SHE DID NOT WANT TO PRESS CHARGES.

200 BLOCK WILLOW ST E- I SPOKE WITH THE CALLER WHO STATED HE DID NOT SEE ANYONE OR HEAR ANYONE AT THIS TIME. THE EGG WAS THROWN AT A WINDOW AND NO PROPERTY DAMAGE WAS INCURRED. I ADVISED THE CALLER I WOULD KEEP AN EYE OUT AND SEE IF I COULD LOCATE ANYONE OUT WALKING AROUND. NO FURTHER ACTION WAS TAKEN AT THIS TIME.

209 SOUTHSIDE DR- CIT. BORROWED TRANSFER CAGE TO GET KITTENS.

DUCK CREEK @ KEATON- P/U DOG. TAG SAYS DOG LIVES AT 807 S. KEATON. NO ANSWER BY PHONE.

800 BLOCK KEATON RD S- TTO- BROUGHT HOME DOG HOME. TOLD OWNER GET DOG REGISTERED BY THIS FRIDAY AND CITATIONS WILL NOT BE ISSUED.

100 BLOCK EIDER DR- MALE HAS ONSET DEMENTIA WALKED INTO WRONG HOUSE. GOT HIM BACK HOME GATHERED INFO FROM WIFE IN CASE IT EVER HAPPENS AGAIN.

300 BLOCK AUSTIN- SUBJECT FELL OUT OF HIS WHEELCHAIR. I PICKED HIM UP AND PUT HIM BACK IN THE CHAIR. MEDICS CAME AND CHECKED HIM OUT.

800 BLOCK TEJAS- COMPLETED CRASH REPORT. FEMALE TURNING INTO HER DRIVEWAY, DRIVER BEHIND HER WENT TO PASS SHE RAN INTO HIM. SHE HAD RIGHT OF WAY AND THE GUY DID NOT YIELD TO HER TURNING.

900 BLOCK 5TH ST N- COMP STATED A MALE WAS ASKED TO LEAVE THIS LOCATION AND HE WOULD NOT LISTEN. I ARRIVED AND ACTOR WAS GONE BEFORE ARRIVAL.

11000 BLOCK MARION RD- COMP STATED UNKNOWN NUMBER IS TEXTING HER TELLING HER THEY'RE GONNA KILL HER IF SHE DOESN'T PAY \$1000 DOLLAR RANSOM. REPORT WAS CREATED FOR THIS INCIDENT.

100 BLOCK HILLCREST SUBJECT SAID TO BE LOOKING INTO PEOPLE'S MAILBOXES. NO ONE SEEN IN AREA WHEN I ARRIVED.

601 STEMMONS FWY N- COMP BELIEVED HER KEYS WERE BEING HELD BY MCDONALDS. IT WAS DETERMINED SHE HAD LOST THE KEYS, ON THE GARLAND COUNTER WHEN SHE WAS PAYING. MCDONALDS DID NOT HOLD HER KEYS HOSTAGE. SHE JUST LOST THEM ON HER OWN.

SOUTH KEATON @ CCI- LOOSE COWS. MET RANCH HAND AND TOLD HIM WHAT THE ISSUES ARE AND HE NEEDS TO CHECK FENCE ALL ALONG THE TRAILER PARK. THIS HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR THE PAST SEVERAL WEEKS AND NO ONE HAS RETURNED ANY OF OUR CALLS.

800 STEMMONS FRWY N- ASSISTED OFFICERS ON A DISTURBANCE WHERE A MALE SUBJECT GOT MAD BECAUSE HE COULD NOT GET FREE AIR AND DAMAGED PROPERTY IN STORE.




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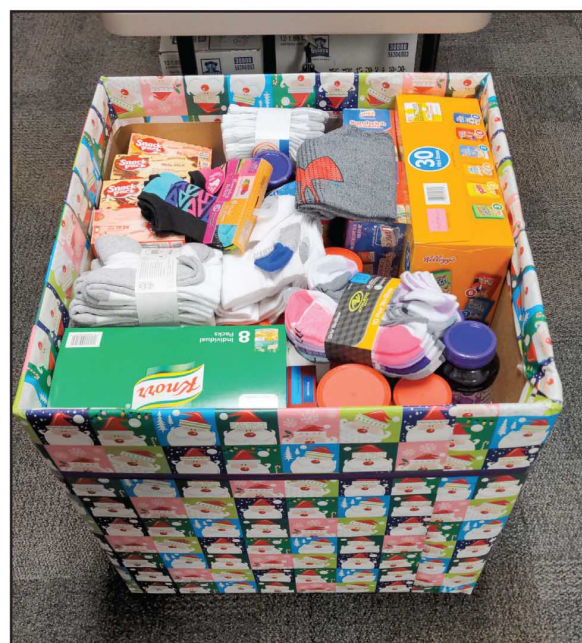
## SISD Friday Backpack Program THANK YOU...

Dear Sanger Families,

Your unwavering support to the Sanger ISD Friday Backpack Program is outstanding. Let me thank you for your donation given to the food drives that were held around our community. This secured the availability to send extra food items to be consumed during the Christmas break.

Thank you and have a Merry Christmas.

Margarita Dunn  
Community and Family Liaison for SISD



### Sanger Independent School District

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### Sanger ISD Learning Platforms

Dear Sanger ISD Families,

COVID-19 has presented many challenges across the world. The primary responsibility of Sanger ISD is to provide students with an exceptional education while providing for their health and safety. Sanger ISD has provided learning opportunities for both remote and in-person learners as methods of instructions so that students can have access to curriculum and academic success. Upon reviewing grades and attendance from our first two grading periods, Sanger ISD administrative staff and Board of Trustees have decided to revise the learning plan options for our students. We believe that in-person learning instruction provides students with additional support and access to teachers, academic conversations with peers and stability leading to higher academic success.

We have been asking our teachers to start their day earlier than ever to deal with the challenges associated with COVID-19. While doing all the little things to keep everyone safe we have several teachers teaching on two different platforms serving both in-person learners and remote learners. Our staff has performed all these tasks while putting in more hours and days than any school year prior. Despite all of our efforts, we have learned the online learning has not been as successful as we have hoped for our remote learners. After reviewing all of our data, we are transitioning our current online students back to in-person learning.

After careful consideration Sanger ISD will be suspending our remote learning platform effective January 8, 2021. Beginning on January 11, 2021 all students are expected back in the classroom for in-person learning **unless they meet one of the exceptions below:**

1. A student is medically fragile or lives with someone who is considered medically fragile. Documentation from a medical doctor is required and must be submitted to the campus principal on or before January 8, 2021.
2. A positive COVID case requires the student to be quarantined in accordance with the guidelines established by TEA as follows: Any student who has tested positive for COVID, or who experiences the symptoms of COVID, must stay home throughout the infection period and cannot return to campus until all three criteria have been met:
  - a. At least one day (24 hours) has passed since recovery (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications);
  - b. The individual has improvement in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and
  - c. At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.
3. A student who has had close contact with someone who is COVID positive must be quarantined for 10 days. The student shall return to in-person learning after their quarantine period.

Students who do not meet the qualifications to remain in remote learning must return to school in-person on January 11, 2021.

While we want to see all of our students return to school in-person, we want to allow enough time for you to make the decision you feel is best for your child. Students who do not meet one of the above exceptions are expected to return to campus. Students not returning to school have the following choices:

- Withdraw to homeschool
- Enroll in private school
- Request to transfer to a district offering remote learning

If you have any questions regarding instructional delivery for your child, please contact your campus principal:

- Chisholm Trail Elementary: Cari Cockrell via email at [ccockrell@sangerisd.net](mailto:ccockrell@sangerisd.net)
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## JV Gold girls beat Springtown

Sanger beat Springtown 27-12 recently.  
-Scorers for Sanger  
Macey Punches 2 points,

Piper Stockard 4 points,  
Piper Lindlau 7 points,  
Hailey Vinson 12 points,  
Lainey Scott 2 points

## SANGER VARSITY INDIANS ROSTER

|     |                    |     |
|-----|--------------------|-----|
| #0  | Connor Markezinis  | SR. |
| #1  | Tallyn Welborn     | SR. |
| #2  | Riley Blagg        | JR. |
| #3  | Tayt Chupp         | JR. |
| #5  | Aidan Kearney      | SR. |
| #25 | Adam Brockett      | JR. |
| #11 | Rylan Smart        | JR. |
| #12 | Tylar Brown        | SR. |
| #15 | Luke Roberts       | JR. |
| #21 | Cal Wilson         | SR. |
| #22 | Nick Maxon         | JR. |
| #23 | Jordan Collendrino | JR. |
| #24 | Jonah Ritzel       | JR. |

## SANGER VARSITY LADY INDIANS ROSTER

|     |                  |     |      |
|-----|------------------|-----|------|
| #1  | Rylee Holder     | JR. | 5'9" |
| #2  | Abby Odom        | JR. | 5'5" |
| #4  | Tayte Frazier    | JR. | 5'5" |
| #5  | Carly Schmucker  | SO. | 5'8" |
| #10 | Kate Couch       | JR. | 5'7" |
| #12 | Bella Ringenberg | JR. | 6'2" |
| #15 | Chloe Malone     | SR. | 5'9" |
| #22 | Karleigh Monden  | SO. | 5'6" |
| #23 | Elaine Pomeroy   | SO. | 5'6" |
| #24 | Phoenix Dillin   | SR. | 5'8" |
| #25 | Morgan Hartman   | JR. | 5'9" |
| #32 | Lexi Martin      | SO. | 5'6" |

## SMS BASKETBALL

## Lady Indians vs. Decatur

The 8th 'A' beat Decatur 34-33:

-Scorers for Sanger  
Kinley Amyx 3 points  
Hope Hughey 11 points  
Presley Bumpus 10 points  
Aalyiah White 5 points  
Lilli Piercy 2 points  
Emma Bowland 3 points

The 8th 'B' beat Decatur 26-11:

-Scorers for Sanger  
Mariellina Valls 2 points  
Kaitlyn Polley 2 points  
Brook Perkins 3 points  
Victoria Gann 4 points  
Delaney Gonzalez 3 points  
Ayla Butterfield 2 points  
Avery Brackeen 2 points  
Makylee Baker 6 points  
Rachel Pomeroy 2 points

The 7th 'A' lost to Decatur 32-15:

-Scorers for Sanger:  
Blair Lewis 10 points  
Harley Miller 2 points  
Caitlin Howard 2 points  
Farrah Hughey 1 point

The 7th 'B' lost to Decatur 31-2:

-Scorers for Sanger:  
Am'marie White 2 points

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## 2020-2021 SHS INDIANS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

| DAY     | DATE     | OPPONENT                    | SITE | GOLD    | PURPLE  | Varsity |
|---------|----------|-----------------------------|------|---------|---------|---------|
| TUESDAY | 12/29/20 | MELISSA (DISTRICT GAME)     | HOME | 1:15 PM | 12:00PM | 2:30 PM |
| FRIDAY  | 1/1/21   | @CELINA (DISTRICT GAME)     | AWAY | 1:15 PM | 12:00PM | 2:30 PM |
| TUESDAY | 1/5/21   | GAINESVILLE (DISTRICT GAME) | HOME | 6:15 PM | 5:00 PM | 7:30 PM |
| FRIDAY  | 1/8/21   | BYE                         | BYE  | BYE     | BYE     | BYE     |

## 2020-2021 SANGER MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

|      |          |             |      |           |               |
|------|----------|-------------|------|-----------|---------------|
| 1/7  | Thursday | Aubrey      | Home | 5:00/6:00 | 7B,8B / 7A,8A |
| 1/14 | Thursday | Van Alstyne | Away | 5:00/6:30 | 7A,8B / 8A,7B |
| 1/21 | Thursday | Krum        | Home | 5:00/6:00 | 7B,8B / 7A,8A |

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|---------|----------------|------------------|------------|
| Dec. 29 | @ Melissa      | 11:00/12:15/1:30 | JVP/JVG/ V |
| Jan. 1  | Celina         | 11:00/12:15/1:30 | JVP/JVG/V  |
| Jan. 5  | @ Gainesville  | 5:00/6:15/7:30   | JVG/JVP/V  |
| Jan. 8  | (Bye)          | Bye              | Bye        |
| Jan. 12 | @Van Alstyne   | 5:00/6:15/7:30   | JVP/JVG/V  |
| Jan. 15 | Aubrey         | 5:00/6:15        | JVP/V      |
| Jan. 16 | @ Northwest HS | 10:00            | JVG        |

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| 1/14 | Van Alstyne | 5:00 | 6:00 | 5:00 | 6:00 |
| 1/18 | @ Krum*     | 5:00 | 6:00 | 5:00 | 6:00 |
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By Allen Chick, Edward Jones



As the year draws to a close, it's fair to say that we've all learned something about the social, political, physical and environmental forces that have affected everyone. And, in some ways, our lives will be changed, perhaps permanently. But as an investor, what lessons can you learn from 2020?

Here are some to consider:

The markets look ahead. Here's something many investors discovered in 2020: Investment prices don't always move in the same direction as the overall economy. This might not have seemed apparent right after the COVID-19 pandemic struck in mid-February, as the overall economy and the stock market took big hits. But just about five weeks later, the markets began a rally that lasted several months. During this time, the economy also recovered somewhat, but still remains on weak footing.

What can explain this discrepancy between the markets and economic activity? Essentially, economic numbers, such as the unemployment rate

## Investment Lessons from 2020

and gross domestic product (GDP), reflect what's happening today, but the markets are always looking toward tomorrow, which means they are anticipating a stronger economic recovery and the results that come with it, such as greater corporate earnings in 2021. No one can say for sure what the future holds, but you can usually know the market's opinion by its performance.

Opportunities will always exist for investors. Although the coronavirus seems unprecedented, the equity markets have rebounded from many crises before it. From war to global financial meltdowns, the market has seen it all. But even at the height of these events, when the markets might be most affected, individual segments or industries can do well.

For example, in the current environment, when many people have been forced to work and shop from home, and get their entertainment online, it's probably not surprising that some parts of the technology sector have seen their economic activity grow, along with their stock prices. Here's the key point: Investment opportunities always exist, especially in times of market stress - and smart in-

vestors will find them and incorporate them into their portfolios in a way that's appropriate for their goals and risk tolerance.

Patience and discipline can pay dividends. As mentioned above, the stock market dropped sharply in the weeks immediately following the pandemic, but then gained steadily for months afterward. Investors who tried to "cut losses" and exited the market likely did so at the wrong time and missed out on the beginning of the upturn. Unfortunately, this is not uncommon - investors who overreact to market declines often find themselves on the investment sidelines just when a new rally begins. Rather than being reactive in this way, you may be better off sticking with a long-term investment strategy, and buying and selling investments only when it makes sense for your situation, such as when you need to diversify your portfolio.

For many reasons, it's unlikely that we'll see anything exactly like 2020 again. But some of the investment lessons we learned are applicable in every year - so keep them in mind for 2021 and beyond.

*Allen Chick is a Financial Advisor with Edward Jones in Sanger. He can be reached at 940-458-7866.*

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SHS BASKETBALL

Aubrey beats Sanger in district games

The Aubrey Lady Chaparrals varsity improved to 3-0 in district with their 39-24 victory over Sanger on Friday. The score was tied at 13 at half-time, but Aubrey outscored Sanger 14-4 and 12-7 in the third and fourth quarters. Sanger: 9, 4, 4, 7: 24 Aubrey: 7, 6, 14, 12: 39

Sanger is 8-5 overall and 1-1. They played at Anna on Tuesday, after the Sanger News press time this week.

Sanger: Carly Schmucker 8 Kate Couch 1 Bella Ringenberg 2

Chloe Malone 6 Elaine Pomeroy 2 Lexi Martin 5

Aubrey: Rhianna Stevenson 10 Graci Grisso 2 Abby Hammett 11 Audrey Beaty 2 June Chatterley 9 Lexi Temple 5

The SHS varsity boys lost to Aubrey 56-38 on Friday in the district opener for both teams. Aidan Kearney led the Indians with 26 points. Sanger scorers: Aidan Kearney- 26 Tayt Chupp- 8 Luke Roberts- 3 Cal Wilson- 1

Aubrey had 14 points in the first quarter and another 11 in the second to cling to a 25-19 advantage at halftime. The Chaps busted the game open with 23 points in the third before stumbling to just eight in the fourth quarter.

Zac Hamilton and Carter May helped lead the Chaps' offense with 14 and 13 points, respectively. Following in the win, Aubrey is now 1-0 in their district contests and 6-4 overall. Sanger is 3-7 and 0-1.



SHS Varsity Basketball Player Profiles:



NAME: Bella Ringenberg GRADE: 11th NUMBER: 12 POSITION(S): Post PARENTS' NAMES: Krista and Gary Ringenberg SIBLINGS: Tara (14), Mitch (26), Beau (24) HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN SANGER: A little over a year - moved here from Mokena, IL FAVORITE COLLEGE TEAM: Texas Longhorns MY HOBBIES: Playing basketball and spending time with my pets. FAVORITE WEATHER SEASON: Fall FAVORITE MOVIE(S): Talladega Nights and Step Brothers FAVORITE BAND(S)/MUSIC GROUP(S): Parker McCollum, Tyler Childers FAVORITE PRO TEAM: Dallas Cowboys WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CLASS: History MOST INFLUENTIAL HS COACH: Coach Sykes MOST INFLUENTIAL HS TEACHER: Sarah Schertz and Brittney Avant MOST INFLUENTIAL YOUTH COACH: Coach Shunessuy MOST INFLUENTIAL SPORTS FIGURE: Paige Bueckers BEST THINGS ABOUT PLAYING BASKETBALL: Playing with my teammates and challenging myself. WHAT ARE YOUR GOALS FOR BASKETBALL THIS SEASON: Win district and become a better player.

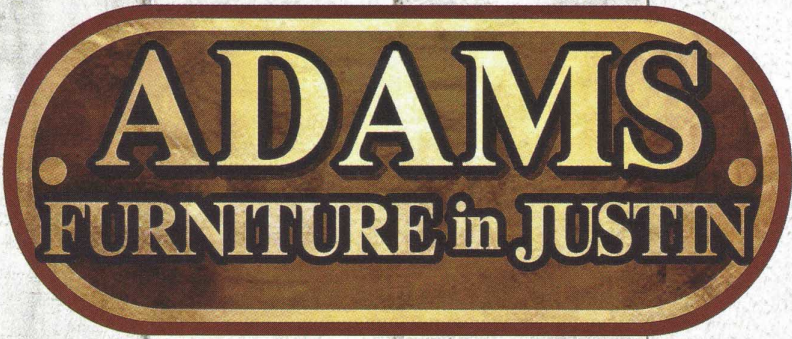


NAME: Luke Roberts GRADE: 11th NUMBER: 15 POSITION(S): Guard PARENTS' NAMES: Rona and Jody Roberts SIBLINGS: Lexi (22), Jake (19) HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN SANGER: Whole life FAVORITE COLLEGE TEAM: OU Sooners MY HOBBIES: Basketball and baseball FAVORITE WEATHER SEASON: Summer FAVORITE MOVIE(S): White House Down FAVORITE BAND(S)/MUSIC GROUP(S): Koe Wetzel FAVORITE PRO TEAM: LA Lakers WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CLASS: English MOST INFLUENTIAL HS COACH: Coach Delorge MOST INFLUENTIAL HS TEACHER: Mrs. Mann MOST INFLUENTIAL YOUTH COACH: My dad MOST INFLUENTIAL SPORTS FIGURE: Mike Trout BEST THINGS ABOUT PLAYING BASKETBALL: Being with my friends. WHAT ARE YOUR GOALS FOR BASKETBALL THIS SEASON: I want us to get top two in district.



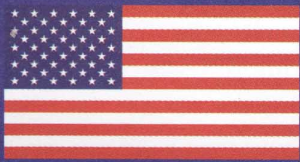
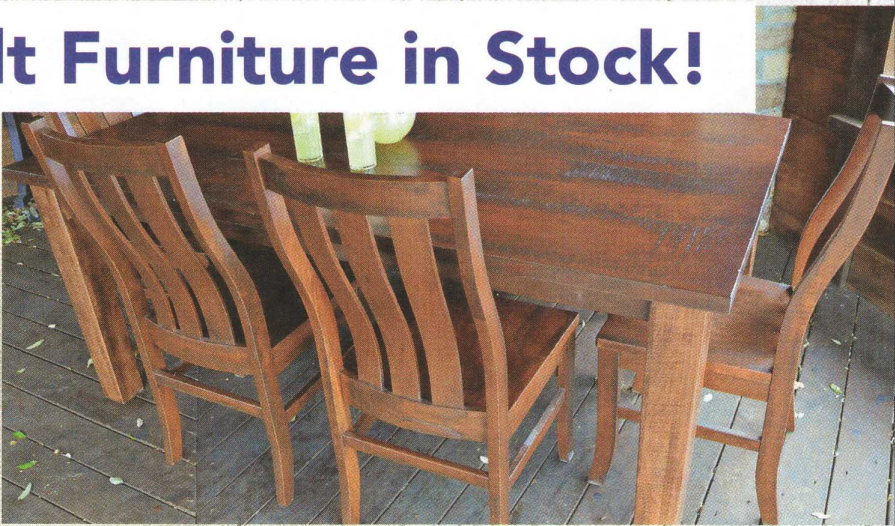
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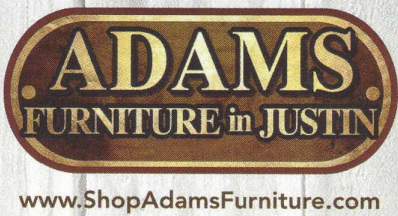
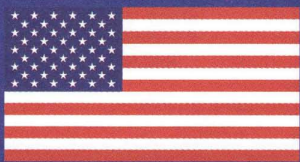


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