

## BULLETIN BOARD

## Birthday greetings to:

Jeff Walker -- June 3  
 Brady Edmonds, 12, son of Brandi and Larry Edmonds -- June 4  
 Ethan Evans, 13, son of Bobby and Misti Evans -- June 8

## Dallas, San Antonio extend curfews

Dallas Mayor Eric Johnson declared a local state of disaster in the city, according to a news release, in response to the threats of rioting following the death of George Floyd, a black man who was killed last Monday in Minneapolis police custody.

The declaration, which is set to expire in seven days, allows the city manager to issue emergency regulations like curfews.

On Sunday, Dallas Police Chief Reneé Hall said a curfew will go into effect in the city at 7 p.m. and end at 6 a.m. "for the next several days," according to The Dallas Morning News. The curfew was set up as a result of increasing tensions between demonstrators and police officers at protests.

San Antonio Mayor Ron Nirenberg also announced a curfew for parts of his city. Nirenberg said Sunday that Alamo Plaza will be closed beginning at 6 p.m., while the rest of the downtown business district will be closed to the public at 10 p.m.

People violating the curfew and visiting those parts of the city could be subject to fines of up to \$1,000 and up to 180 days in jail. Sunday's announcement follows a curfew that Nirenberg issued for late Saturday night.

"We cannot allow anyone to loot or vandalize or threaten the lives and livelihoods of people in Dallas," Johnson said. "Enough is enough. We need to put a stop to the criminal destruction of our city."

Protesters also gathered in downtown Austin Sunday afternoon, spurred by the deaths of Floyd, and Michael Ramos, who was shot to death by an Austin police officer in late April.

Chanting, "APD are murderers" and, "No justice, no peace," protesters marched toward the state Capitol and Austin City Hall.

Austin police then critically injured a 20-year-old black protester when an officer shot him with "less-lethal" ammunition during a weekend filled with Texas demonstrations and violence, according to police Chief Brian Manley. Video also shows officers shooting at the people trying to get medical attention for the protester, whose name was not released.

On Monday, Manley said police cameras showed the critically injured protester was standing near police headquarters at around 11 p.m. when another man lobbed a water bottle, and then hurled his backpack, at officers guarding the building.

"One of the officers fired less-lethal munition at that individual, apparently, but it struck this victim instead. And this victim then fell to the ground, and it appears that he hit his head when he fell to the ground as well," Manley said.

Manley said that during protests Saturday, another Hispanic teenager, either 15 or 16, was struck in the forehead with less-lethal ammunition from officers. He said that case is also being investigated adding he was also in the hospital.

## Radioactive camera lost in flood waters

The Texas Department of State Health Services over the weekend, notified the public of a missing radiographic camera, in central Texas. The camera is an industrial device that contains radioactive material. The material is sealed within multiple layers of protection, and the risk of exposure is

very low.

The camera, owned by Shawcor and commonly used in the oil and gas industry, went missing when a truck with a slide-in camper containing a mobile darkroom was swept away in the floodwaters of the Pedernales River southeast of Fredericksburg. The camper was located about 10 miles downstream, but the camera was not inside. The company is actively searching for the camera with support from DSHS and local authorities.

This type of radioactive source is called a "sealed source" because the radioactive material is sealed inside a capsule, which is in turn sealed inside the camera with protective shielding and other safety features. The entire camera is stored in a locked half-inch-thick steel overpack box with radiation markings. Levels of radiation outside the camera, itself, are not dangerous.

## WEATHER

**Rainfall**  
 Last 7 days: 0.0  
 2020: 15.18  
 2019: 12.69

## POLICE AND FIRE CALLS

## POLICE CALLS

-- 2:18 p.m. Friday, a 35-year-old Vernon man was arrested in the 4000 block of Marshall on a misdemeanor warrant for assault family violence.  
 -- 4:05 p.m., a man was arrested for public intoxication after he was found stumbling in the street in the 1200 block of Violet.  
 -- 12:50 a.m. Saturday, officers conducted a traffic stop on North Frontage at Main Street. The K9 was deployed and alerted. A search allegedly found meth. Mark Anthony Johnson, 56 of Vernon, was arrested for manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance.  
 -- 4:52 a.m., officers were called to the Holiday Inn Express. A female reported the back window of her vehicle was busted out.  
 -- 8:22 a.m., burglary of a habitation was reported in the 2300 block of Pease. A subject reported that someone previously banned had stolen something from the residence.  
 -- 9:09 a.m., an investigation for assault family violence was opened in the 900 block of Wanderer.  
 -- 10:06 p.m., a minor motor vehicle accident with no injuries was reported in the 2600 block of Crescent.  
 -- 1:50 a.m. Sunday, a female reported she was assaulted by her boyfriend, who also stole her vehicle in the 3400 block of Texas. The vehicle was recovered. The female declined to press charges.  
 -- 7:38 a.m., an unwanted guest was reported at Cefco. The subject

was banned.

-- 2:53 p.m., a local store manager called the PD to check if any riots might occur in Vernon, and to check for what precautions to take to prevent looting.  
 -- 9:28 p.m., a case for theft over \$100 was opened in the 2400 block of Olive.  
 -- 11:38 p.m., a shirtless man was causing a disturbance at the Super 8 parking lot. The subject left prior to officer arrival.  
 -- 12:06 a.m. Monday, a topless female was reported at south Allsup's. The female got in a Dodge Charger with dealer tags and left. The car was located and a traffic stop initiated. Everything was okay, the female had a shirt on.  
 -- 6:41 a.m., criminal mischief was reported at Super 8. A vehicle window was busted out.  
 -- 7:57 a.m., a traffic stop was made in the 1200 block of Cumberland. A 28-year-old Vernon female was arrested for driving while intoxicated.  
 -- 9:24 a.m., criminal mischief to a business was reported at Hair Biz, in the 1700 block of Fannin. Someone had damaged fixtures.  
 -- 4:14 p.m., officers responded to a 911 call from Hair Biz for a disturbance. An ex-employee was banned from the business.  
 -- 6:06 p.m., a two vehicle accident was reported at the intersection of Violet and Bismarck. Both vehicles were towed and one subject was transferred by Vernon EMS to Wilbarger General Hospital ER.

-- 11:07 p.m., a two-vehicle minor accident without injuries was reported at the intersection of Texas and Lamar.

-- 12:07 a.m. Tuesday, family violence between two juvenile siblings was reported in the 2600 block of Sunset.

-- 4:11 a.m., officers on routine patrol reported a 1998 Izuzu parked at Orbison Park. It had a busted window. A report for criminal mischief was initiated.

-- 6:47 a.m., criminal mischief was reported in the 3000 block of Paradise. Someone had busted out windows on a 2015 Ford pickup.

-- 8:09 a.m., officers served a municipal warrant.

-- 11:45 p.m., a fight in progress between two males was reported in the 1600 block of Beaver.

## FIRE CALLS

-- 5:35 p.m. Saturday, a grass fire was reported at 8968 CR 95S. The fire was crossing into neighboring fields. Personnel were on scene 146 minutes.

## DPS CALLS

-- 5:59 p.m. Sunday, DPS made a traffic stop on southbound 287. Assistance from the Vernon PD K9 was requested for a search. Justin Kyle Andrus, of Baton Rouge, was arrested for possession of marijuana under 5 lbs, and unlawful possession of a firearm.  
 -- 12:11 a.m. Tuesday, DPS responded to a vehicle hitting a deer on U.S. 283 northbound.

## Gov. Abbott calls for unity, peaceful protests

Texas Governor Greg Abbott held a press conference in Dallas on Tuesday where he provided an update on Texas' response to protest violence across the state. In his remarks, the Governor called for swift justice in the case of George Floyd's death, and discussed the ways Texas is working with local law enforcement to maintain order and uphold public safety so that peaceful protestors can continue to make their voices heard.

"What happened to George Floyd was a horrific act of police brutality, and I join the millions of American who seek swift justice," said Governor Abbott. "George Floyd's death has touched every corner of our country, and people are rightfully angry. The beautiful thing about America is that every person has the right to make their voices heard and protest against injustice. However, violence and vandalism are never the answer, and they have no place in the Lone Star State. It is essential that we end the violence, vandalism, and looting that we have seen. But restoring calm in our communities does not end with this task—our work will not end until justice, fairness, and equality become reality in every part of our state. Texas is up to this task, because Texans can overcome any challenge. We will seize this moment to bridge the divides that exist in our state so that we can keep Texas the greatest state in America."

To end the violence, vandalism, and looting experienced across the state, the Governor has deployed DPS officers and Texas National Guardsmen to several cities in Texas—including 1,000 DPS officers and hundreds of Guardsmen to the Dallas-Fort Worth region. They are working alongside federal partners from the Federal



Governor Greg Abbott was joined on Tuesday by Dallas Mayor Eric Johnson, Fort Worth Mayor Betsy Price, Dallas Police Chief Renee Hall, Fort Worth Police Chief Ed Kraus, Major General Tracy Norris of the Texas National Guard, and Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Director Colonel Steve McCraw.

## OBITUARIES

### Janet Lea Curl Bergman

Janet Lea Curl Bergman, 69 of Vernon, died on Tuesday, May 26, 2020, in Wichita Falls, Texas.

Services were held Friday, May 29, 2020 at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Rusty Dickerson officiating. Interment was held Saturday, May 30, 2020 at Braman Cemetery in Braman, Okla. under direction of Sullivan Funeral Home.

Survivors are her husband Arthur Bergman of the home, son, Seth Bergman of Kyle, daughter, Melissa Whitworth Mathes of Colorado Springs, Colo., brother, Jim Curl of Braman, Okla., and four grandchildren.

### Dee Ann McBroom Bertram

Dee Ann McBroom Bertram, 73, passed away Thursday, May 28, 2020 in Wichita Falls. No services are planned at this time. Arrangements are under the direction of Owens and Brumley Funeral Home in Wichita Falls.

Dee Ann was born in Wichita Falls on Jan. 5, 1947 to William Ernest and Erma Dee Murr McBroom. Dee Ann worked for the Wichita Falls BCI and local accounting firms for many years. Dee Ann also worked in the Midwestern State University Foreign Language Department for several years and moved over to the Business Office and retired in 2011. Dee Ann was an accomplished artist and avid needlepoint designer and stitcher.

She was preceded in death by her parents and son Patrick Michael Bertram.

She is survived by husband Rodney Lynn Bertram and their dog Ike, son Garrett Bertram, grandson Caleb Bertram, brother Bill McBroom and wife Linda Shivers of Vernon, Texas, sister Kay Hannah of Wichita Falls, and nephews, aunts and cousins.

The family suggests that memorial donations may be made in Dee Ann's name to Presbyterian Manor Good Samaritan Fund, 4600 Taft Blvd., Wichita Falls, TX 76308, or Hospice of Wichita Falls, Inc., P.O. Box 4804, Wichita Falls, TX 76308.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.owensandbrumley.com](http://www.owensandbrumley.com).



Paid

When professionalism and price are important...

**SULLIVAN FUNERAL HOME**  
 1801 Houston 552-6234  
 Service, Experience, Dignity

Otis Smith

Robert Webb

[www.SullivanFuneralHomeVernon.com](http://www.SullivanFuneralHomeVernon.com)