

QUARTERLY ISSUES

OCTOBER 2017

- 1. TX Gas Prices Down From Last Week, Up From Last Year: (October 3, 2017, 8am-:30)** – According to web-based GasBuddy.com's daily survey of over 13,000 outlets in Texas, average retail gasoline prices have fallen 3.1 cents per gallon in the Lone Star State over the past week, averaging \$2.41 on Monday. This compares with the national average that has fallen 2.2 cents per gallon in the last week to \$2.53 per gallon, according to the popular price website. However– including the change in Texas gas prices during the past week– prices yesterday were over 43 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago. GasBuddy data shows October 2 prices in Texas five years ago were \$3.54 per gallon.
- 2. Comanche CoC Reports Misappropriation of Funds: (October 5, 2017, 8am-:30)** – The Comanche Police Department reports that an employee of the Comanche Chamber of Commerce has been implicated in an ongoing investigation into misappropriation of funds from bank accounts owned by the Chamber of Commerce. The name of the employee under investigation was not mentioned in a Tuesday, October 3rd press release. Texas Rangers, Department of Public Safety and the District Attorney for the 220th Judicial District have been briefed on the allegations, and will be assisting in the investigation. The Comanche Police Department was notified of the possible criminal activity on Thursday, September 28th.
- 3. Early Voting Starts Oct. 23: (October 9, 2017, 8am-:30)** Early voting for the Fall election is just a few weeks away, and the Empire-Tribune reports that the Ranger College annexation election won't be the only issue of interest to Dublin and Erath County voters. Seven constitutional amendments will be considered across Texas for ratification. Early voting will be held from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. beginning on Monday, October 23rd until Friday, the 27th and again on Monday, October 30th til Friday, November 3rd at the Erath County Courthouse and Dublin County Annex. Requests for mail ballots, contact Garla Allen at 254-965-1444 or mail a request to County Clerk.
- 4. Gun-Wielding Motorist Arrested Wednesday: (October 13, 2017, 8am-:30)** Erath County Sheriff Matt Coates said investigators are still trying to determine why a man pointed a gun at a female motorist on Tuesday, then led authorities on a two-day pursuit. The Empire-Tribune reports that 41-year-old Garrett Frey was arrested at his home Wednesday after authorities received a tip that he was in the area. The arrest came less than 24 hours after the incident began Tuesday, when an unidentified woman called 911 to report that Frey had pointed a gun at her as she drove by.
- 5. KSTV's 2nd Annual \$10K Christmas Prize: (October 18, 2017, 8am-:30)** For the second year, KSTV will be selecting one local shopper to win \$10,000 just in time for Christmas.