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COUNTY OF CULBERSON

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared, Gilda Morales, **EDITOR of THE VAN HORN ADVOCATE**, a newspaper having general circulation in Culberson County, Texas, who being duly sworn, deposes and says that the foregoing attached notice was published in said newspaper on the following date(s) to wit: (January 17, 2019), Culberson County Groundwater Conservation District.


Signature

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS, THE 17th DAY of January 2019, TO CERTIFY WHICH WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE.


Notary Public in and for

Culberson County, Texas



Faith

By Gerald Donovan

What is the history of baptism? John the Baptist baptized Jews before Christ came on the scene. Where did he come up with the practice of baptism?

In the Torah we read that before the giving of the Law on Mount Sinai, God commanded the people to wash their clothing as a symbolic act of purification (Exodus 19:10). Leviticus 8:6 records the washing of Aaron and his sons when they were ordained as priests to minister in the holy tabernacle. Again, in Leviticus 16:4, God commanded Aaron to wash himself before and after he ministered in the Holy of Holies on the Day of Atonement. Numbers 19 gives explicit instructions for purification after defilement by a dead body. In the book of Leviticus, God instructs Jews to cleanse themselves from ritual impurities, contracted through such acts as touching a corpse or a leper. Washing primarily fulfilled the legal requirements of ritual purity so that Jews could sacrifice at the Temple. Later, as "God-fearers" or "righteous Gentiles" expressed their desire to convert to Judaism, priests broadened the rite's meaning, and

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along with circumcision, performed baptism as a sign of the covenant given to Abraham. The Torah also commanded ritual purification for both men and women who had been "defiled" by flows of various body fluids, or who had been healed of leprosy.

Baptism is as Jewish as mikveh! Mikveh is a bath used for the purpose of ritual immersion in Judaism. After the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 AD, the mikveh's main uses remained as follows: by Jewish women to achieve ritual purity after menstruation or childbirth before she and her husband may resume marital relations; by Jewish men to achieve ritual purity; as part of the traditional procedure for conversion to Judaism; to immerse newly acquired converts used in serving and eating food.

Most forms of impurity can be nullified through immersion in any natural collection of water. However, some impurities require "living water," such as springs or groundwater wells. Living water has the further advantage of being able to purify even while flowing, as opposed to rainwater which must be stationary in order to purify. The mikveh is designed to simplify

this requirement, by providing a bathing facility that remains in ritual contact with a natural source of water.

In Orthodox Judaism, these regulations are followed steadfastly and, consequently, the mikveh is central to both Orthodox and Conservative Jewish communities. The existence of a mikveh is considered so important in Orthodox Judaism that an Orthodox community is required to construct a mikveh before building a synagogue, and must go to the extreme of selling Torah scrolls or even a synagogue if necessary, to provide funding for the construction.

Depending on which Denomination you agree with, most Christians view baptism either as the means of salvation and entry into the church or as a sign of Christ's redemptive work in the converted. In both cases, the new believer is considered wholly regenerated, and baptism seals this radical change. This baptism may be done by total immersion in a pool of water, or pouring water over the head or sprinkling water on the individual.

Get through the day with Big Bend Coffee Roasters @ 11, 2 and 5 o'clock! Only at Boots & Scoops Cafe!

OPEN MON-FRI: LUNCH 11-2 | PARLOR 5-9 P.M.
1703 W. BROADWAY | 253-1163

CLARK HOTEL
Museum



Advocate Photo (DB)

Media representatives were invited to ride in the cab of a locomotive with Union Pacific Police and local law enforcement officers, while they observed motorist' behavior at railroad crossings.

Union Pacific officials l to r: John Jochem, Ryan Rosa, Engineer Ed Flores, Advocate GM, Lisa Morton, Conductor Edward Cloud, Culberson County Sheriff Deputy Arnie Bravo and Jorge Amezola also with the UP.

RGEC to award 22 scholarships

Submitted by Sharia Ede, Communications Assistant

\$33,000 will be awarded in the form of twenty-two (22) \$1,500 scholarships. Graduating seniors in any accredited public, private, or home school, whose parents/legal guardians are members of Rio Grande Electric Cooperative, are eligible. Former scholarship recipients may reapply for a Continuing

Education scholarship, if funds are available, and upon proof of acceptable GPA. Completed entries must be postmarked by April 12, 2019. Download the rules/entry forms at www.rgiogrande.coop. (Located on the Extras tab menu.)

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Section 141.040, Texas Election Code
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NOTICE OF DEADLINE TO FILE APPLICATIONS FOR PLACE ON THE BALLOT (AVISO DE FECHA LIMITE PARA PRESENTAR SOLICITUDES PARA UN LUGAR EN LA BOLETA)

Notice is hereby given that applications for a place on the Town of Van Horn & Culberson County Allamore ISD Regular Election ballot may be filed during the following time:

Se da aviso por la presente que las solicitudes para un lugar en la boleta de la Eleccion

Regular de Town of Van Horn, Culberson County Allamore ISD, Culberson County Groundwater Conservation District Y Culberson County Hospital District se pueden presentar durante el siguiente horario:

Filing Dates and Times:
Fecha y Horario para Entregar Solicitudes

Start Date: January 16, 2019 End Date: February 15, 2019
Fecha Inicio Fecha Lmite

Office Hours: 7AM-12PM-1PM-4PM Monday-Friday
Horario de la Oficina

Physical address for filing applications in person for place on the ballot:
Direccion a fisica para presentar las solicitudes en persona para un lugar en la boleta:

City Hall 1801 W. Broadway, Van Horn, Texas 79855

Address to mail applications for place on the ballot (if filing by mail):
Direccion a donde enviar las solicitudes para un lugar en la boleta (en caso de presentar por correo):

Town of Van Horn, Attn: City Secy., P.O. Box 517, Van Horn, Texas 79855

Fran Malafronte, City Secretary
Nombre en letra de molde del Oficial de Archivos

Signature of Filing Officer
(Firma del Oficial de Archivos)

Date Posted (Fecha
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December 17, 2018

PUBLIC NOTICE CULBERSON COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT INTENDS TO REQUEST THE FILING OF A BILL WITH THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE SEEKING TO AMEND THE DISTRICT'S BOUNDARIES TO BE COEXTENSIVE WITH THE BOUNDARIES OF CULBERSON COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CULBERSON COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT (the "District") IS PLANNING TO REQUEST THE FILING OF A BILL WITH THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE BOUNDARIES OF THE DISTRICT TO COINCIDE WITH THE BOUNDARIES OF CULBERSON COUNTY, TEXAS.

Statement of Purpose and Need to Expand the Boundaries of Culberson County Groundwater Conservation District to Include All of Culberson County, Texas

Currently the Culberson County Groundwater Conservation District (District) boundaries comprise approximately 1,740 square miles of the 3,813 square miles within Culberson County, Texas (46% of Culberson County). There is no groundwater district covering the 2,073 square miles within the county but outside the District (Expansion Area). The District's board of directors are interested in evaluating the expansion of the District to include the entire county to address the following issues:

1) Because of extensive oil and gas development within the Expansion Area the use of groundwater within this area has increased by a factor of 10 to 1000 times the previous use which was primarily limited to domestic and livestock use. 2) There is no, or very limited, information on the amount of use and the potential impact of the groundwater use on the Capitan and West Texas Bolson aquifers. 3) Without the information regarding the amount and location of groundwater use, planning on the local, Regional, and State level is difficult. 4) The District has multiple requests for information regarding how much water is used in these areas and if it will have any impact on the water used for municipal and irrigation purposes inside the current boundaries. 5) The recently formed Reeves County Groundwater Conservation District's boundaries include the entire area of Reeves County which is located immediately east of Culberson County. This leaves an island of land in Culberson County bounded by New Mexico on the North, Reeves County GCD on the east, Culberson County GCD on the west and south, and Jeff Davis County GCD on the southern tip.

PURPOSE The primary purpose of the proposed expansion is to require that all non-exempt groundwater users within the Expanded Area provide well and groundwater production use data to the District.

TAX RATE ON LAND WITH EXPANDED AREA The District's current tax rate is \$0.052516 per \$100 of assessed value on 1,740 square miles. The proposed tax rate for the entire county would be reduced to \$0.0187248 per \$100 of assessed value or resulting in a net increase of revenue to the District of approximately \$178,000 per year. The increased funds would be used to administrate the collection of groundwater data within the Expansion Area.

Please Contact The General Manager Summer Webb With Any Questions Or Comments: CCGCD Po Box 1295, Van Horn, Tx 79855. Phone: 432-386-3437 srwebb@culbersongroundwater.org

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