

Thorndale Ex-Students

512-898-2072 | PO BOX 393 THORNDALE, TX 76577 | LOCOJO@AUSTIN.RR.COM
FIND US ON FACEBOOK @ THORNDALE EX-STUDENTS

What nice weather this last week. Wish it would stay this way all the time except for some rain thrown in. And maybe not so much wind.

Our condolences go out to the family of John Gilchrist, Class of 1962 who passed away April 6, 2025 at his home. We know he will be missed by many loved ones. Thanks to my dear neighbor, Roger Rodenbeck, Class of 1972 for a heads up on this sad death.

We have a new address for dear nephew, Brandon Daniell, Class of 1994 and his family, now in Tomball. We sure appreciate getting these address changes as soon as we possibly can. Thanks, Brandon & Jennie.

Our condolences go out to the family of Carl David Kovar who passed away unexpectedly on February 28, 2025 at his home. He was brother to Johnny Kovar, father of: Amy Kovar Kloesel, Class of 1990; John Kovar, Class of 1994; and Jason Kovar, Class of 1995. We know he will be lovingly missed by many.

Had a really interesting phone call from ex-teacher, Wayne Green and wife, Mildred in the background. The late Grace Fulcher Davis Berry, Class of 1915 told Wayne that their home where they currently live was built out of the wood from the first one room school house that was replaced in 1905 with a 2 room school house. There is evidence of red paint which was in the old school, square nails and very long timbers that are not used today in building homes. So, part of their home is 120 years old, but the two bedrooms they added on are not. Just so interesting. Hope I got this close to right, Wayne. Quite a history lesson here. Thanks for calling to let us know.

Our congratulations go out to the FCCLA organization at the high school as they were headed to State competition again this past week-end. Proud of them.

Dear Niece, Jennifer Patschke Fisher, Class of 1970 brought my fish plate that one of the organizations at the high school had as a fund raiser this week. She also brought me a small bottle of

dirt from the new school groundbreaking. I am so proud of that. I can't thank her enough. She is so sweet to pick up food whenever there is a fund raiser at St. Paul Lutheran School/Church or Thorndale High School and I really appreciate it and the dirt is just the icing on the cake. Love it and her.

Such nice pictures and articles in the area papers of Kolman Hengst as he participated in the "4-H Day at the Capitol." His favorite part of the day for him was when he talked to staff members about agriculture. There were 253 others from across the state who also participated. Our congratulations go out to him. A real milestone in his life that he will never forget.

The Town & Country Club is doing their service to our community again by donating homemade blankets to Milam County Child Protective Services. A nice picture in a couple of papers show 7 of these nice ladies holding up two of the beautiful blankets. Really nice.

The Thorndale baseball team is still undefeated in district play at this writing. The Lady Dogs are doing quite well, too.

Since another newsletter won't come out before the Easter week-end, I will include it in this one.

I hope everyone has a wonderful Easter Sunday on April 20 and that the kids enjoy the Easter egg hunts.

The Friday before, April 18, is Good Friday, also known as Black Friday, Great Friday, Great and Holy Friday and Friday of the Passion of the Lord. It's a solemn Christian holy day commemorating the crucifixion of Jesus and his death at Calvary (Golgotha).

Earth Day is Tuesday, April 22, 2025 and on the same day every year which is the world's largest environmental movement. It started in 1970. This year's theme is "OUR POWER, OUR PLANET."

Only a little room for a few funnies about Louisiana, thanks to Kyle Cooke and the Rockdale paper.

A Mercedes Benz isn't a status symbol. A Ford F-250 Extended Bed Crew Cab Powerstroke is a status symbol.

You know everything goes better with "Tony's".

You learned how to shoot a gun before you learned how to multiply.

You're not offended by the term "coonass." If anything, it's a compliment.

Finally, you are 100% Louisianian if you have ever had this conversation: "You wanna coke?" "Yeah." "What kind?" "Dr. Pepper."

We can be found on the web at www.thorndale.txed.net or you can e-mail me at locojo@austin.rr.com. You can call 512-898-2072 and if I don't answer, leave a message with your maiden name and phone number and I will call you back. You can always write to Thorndale Ex-Students Assn., P. O. Box 393, Thorndale, TX 76577. You can always message me on Facebook, too. We love to hear from our exes.

