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# BASEBALL PLAYOFFS GET UNDERWAY

Kilgore built a 2-0 lead over Benbrook before weather moved in. Harmony and Linden-Kildare begin their regional final series today. **SPORTS, PAGE 1B**

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## EAST TEXAS/STATE

### Lobo track field gets upgrade

Workers hit the field Wednesday as renovations began at Lobo Stadium in Longview. **Page 5A**



## STATE

### Minors buying cough meds to be outlawed

Starting in September, Texans under 18 years old will no longer be able to buy popular over-the-counter cough medicines like NyQuil and Robitussin under a bill Gov. Greg Abbott signed earlier this month. **Page 7A**

## Today's weather

Partly sunny, humid. High of 86

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## Wednesday's lottery

Pick 3 morning	Lotto Texas
2-0-2	8-12-26-28-43-52
Pick 3 day	Cash Five
0-6-9	3-8-10-12-20
Pick 3 evening	Powerball
5-6-3	3-32-34-42-61
Pick 3 night	Powerball: 7
8-6-0	Power Play: 2

## Corrections

■ A story on Page 1A Wednesday about the death of community booster Ruby Floyd incorrectly reported the day of her death. It was Monday.

It is the policy of the News-Journal to correct errors. Direct requests for corrections or clarifications to Editor Richard Brack at (903) 237-7759. Sports corrections can be found in Scoreboard.

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# Ready to ride

Gladewater Round-up Rodeo promises lots of riding and roping. **Read about it in @play, inserted inside today's News-Journal**

## ET ROUNDTABLE

# Cornyn: Opioid demand biggest test in U.S.

Experts cite regional efforts against drug

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TYLER — U.S. Sen. John Cornyn said the biggest challenge in America is the demand for opioids. He stressed the urgent need to halt the demand and provide support for officials and specialty courts that provide supervision to help people break the habit. "As long as people keep buying these drugs, the cartels will continue to get rich," Cornyn, R-Texas, said Wednesday. "They don't care about people. It's part of a larger problem, but anything we can do with the demand side will strike a blow."

Cornyn was in Tyler for a roundtable discussion at the University of Texas at Tyler's Fisch College of Pharmacy, where he heard from local leaders about the work being done in East Texas to combat the opioid addiction, misuse and overdose problems

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University of Texas at Tyler's Fisch College of Pharmacy 2019 valedictorian Ngoc Nguyen, left; Fisch Dean Lane Brunner; U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas; and UT-Tyler President Michael Tidwell tour the pharmacy lab after Cornyn hosted a roundtable discussion at the school Wednesday about opioid addiction.

# EVERYTHING MUST GO



Michael Cavazos/News-Journal Photos

**ABOVE:** Julia Van Burkleo organizes the clothing racks Wednesday while helping prepare for the First Christian Church annual garage sale. The sale opens today and will continue through Saturday. **BELOW:** Bobbie Roberts and Freddie Wood place price tags on items for the sale.

## Downtown's First Christian Church slates three-day garage sale

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When it begins today, a downtown Longview church's annual garage sale will be three times larger than it was a year ago, contain items from the donated estates of three people and tens of thousands of other items.

"We've probably got 20,000 items," said Chris Shelton, co-chairman of the First Christian Church garage sale, now in its 34th year and literally overflowing the church's gymnasium, with more items to display as room allows.



In addition to receiving the contents from the cleaned-out estates, the sale includes the

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# Tornado damages downtown Canton, prompts road closures

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East Texans braced Wednesday as storms ripped through the area, starting west of Van Zandt County and continuing into Wood County.

Van Zandt County appeared to be the hardest hit, after first responders radioed with one another about a tornado touching down around 3 p.m. and moving northeast.

A tornado caused major damage in Canton, particularly in the downtown area, according to News-Journal news partner CBS19. The storm also forced the closure of some roads in the Canton area, including Texas 64 at Texas 19, the television station reported.

Damage was reported on U.S. 175 at FM 1391 south of Kemp, according to CBS19, and U.S. 175 was closed because of storm debris.

Damage also was reported at

Briarwood and Splitrail drives in the Cedar Creek Country Club area near Kemp.

According to the National Weather Service, at 3:32 p.m. a tornado was located over Grand Saline, or 10 miles west of Mineola, moving northeast at 50 mph.

The Grand Saline Police Department reported a funnel cloud on the ground in the area. However, the NWS did not

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Tornadoes were reported in East Texas on Wednesday, including this one that was photographed near Mabank High School, about 28 miles southwest of Canton.

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