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2021 Year in Review Issue

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We are entering a new year. As we say goodbye to 2021, I hope readers enjoy this look back at a few of the stories making headlines this past year.

We began 2021 attempting to recover from the lockdowns, protests, riots, and contested elections of 2020. For the most part, things in our county have returned to a vague form of normal. This new normal has extremely high prices at the gas pump, the grocery store and just about everywhere else. One other side effect from 2020 is the fact that employees are hard to find and citizens are now extremely aware of supply chain issues.

While combing through all of

the 2021 issues, I quickly realized that there was no possible way to include everything. I'll apologize in advance if a story important to you was omitted. Also, we have not included any of the school activities. Our area students are extremely talented, earning honors in academics, sports, UIL, and other extra curricular activities. There would be no way to include all of the honors earned in 2021 by these students.

The majority of this issue is dedicated to 2021. Current news is included on page 6. I sincerely want to thank our readers, contributors, and advertisers for our support this past year.

2021 Weather! *Coke County saw heavy snowfall both on New Year's Eve and on January 10, 2021. We also experienced good rainfall in July and August. However, these events were not the weather-makers for 2021.*

The horrible 9 days in February 2021 that remained below freezing and caused stock ponds to freeze over, along with Oak Creek Reservoir, won the 2021 significant weather award. Almost all of Coke County's citizens saw some form of electrical outage during this period, but those in other areas of the state experienced days without power.

As we leave 2021, we need to be praying for rain which has proven scarce this fall and winter.

As we say goodbye to
2021 and begin this new
year, we want to wish
everyone a very happy,
healthy and prosperous
2022!

