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## Stories from Chuck Lanehart



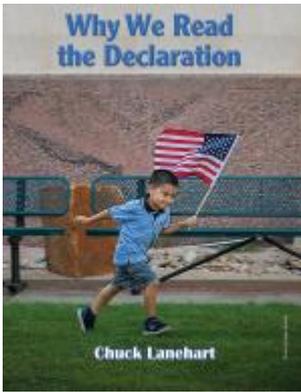
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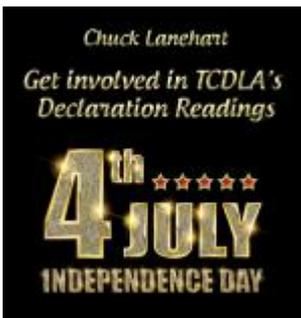
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Tuesday, July 30th, 2019

Ten years have passed, and the annual Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association Declaration readings are now a valued tradition throughout the Lone Star State. Perhaps it is time for reflection on how this began, why we do what we do on or before Independence Day each year, what it means and what it does not mean.

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Thursday, March 28th, 2019

July 3 marks the date this year TCDLA members will appear at courthouses across the Lone Star State to recite the Declaration of Independence. The traditional presentations have become TCDLA's biggest public relations effort.

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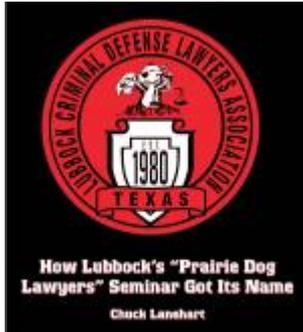
Thursday, July 26th, 2018

*If I had ever been here before  
I would probably know just what to do  
Don't you?*

?David Crosby

History, having a way of repeating itself, blessed TCDLA's 2018 Declaration Readings.

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Thursday, December 14th, 2017

*Your Honors, this case was tried before the Honorable James N. Browning, Judge of the 47th Judicial District, but that is not the only reason it should be reversed.*

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Saturday, September 30th, 2017

When the full scope of the Hurricane Harvey tragedy became evident, I was struck by the enormity of the disaster. I wondered how people like me?people in the law business?could survive such a challenge.

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### A Thank You to All Declaration Reading Local Leaders

Read more on local leaders who read the Declaration. The document that set the stage for a republic and the foundation of the United States of America. Read more on local leaders who read the Declaration. The document that set the stage for a republic and the foundation of the United States of America. Read more on local leaders who read the Declaration. The document that set the stage for a republic and the foundation of the United States of America.



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### Lubbock criminal defense attorneys hold annual reading of Declaration of Independence

Members of the Lubbock Criminal Defense Lawyers Association took turns Friday morning on the courthouse lawn reading the grievances against British rule American colonists listed in a document that became the

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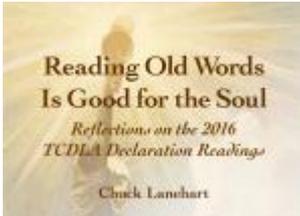


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?We came through the long Sanderson Canyon to the county seat of Terrell County.

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[\[13\]Reading Old Words Is Good for the Soul](#)

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Friday, July 22nd, 2016

Perhaps my earliest memory as a baby lawyer was watching worried law professors and bar leaders wringing their hands, wondering: "How can we improve our image as lawyers? Pro bono work? Public service? Legal ethics education?" Nothing seemed to work.

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Chuck Lanehart, Sarah Gunter & Charles Blevins

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*"Those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety."*

?Benjamin Franklin

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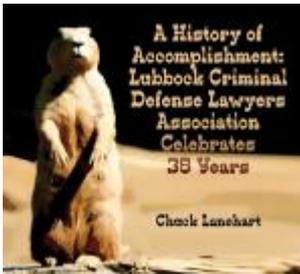
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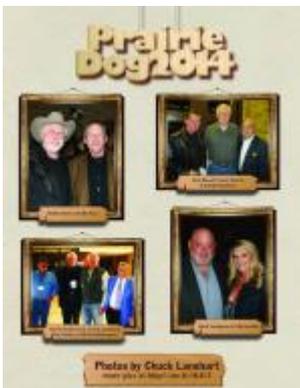
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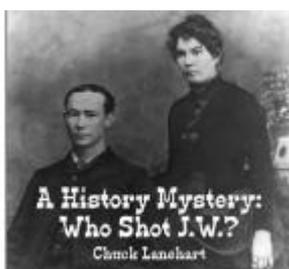
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*There are basically two types of people: people who accomplish things, and people who claim to have accomplished things. The first group is less crowded.*  
?Mark Twain.

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*J. W. Jarrott was a trail-blazing lawyer and a courageous advocate. As a tragic consequence, he became the first person murdered in the recorded history of the South Plains of Texas.1In the tradition of Stephen F.*

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