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'It's getting more critical'

New developments add pressure for new or expanded jail

BY KATHY CRUZ
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

New developments this week may force the county to finally move forward on a larger jail.

Building a new jail or expanding the current one will likely mean a tax rate increase. The Commissioners Court has fought for years to delay that move as long as possible.

Sheriff Roger Deeds said he was notified Wednesday that,



Deeds

starting Sept. 1, Somervell County will no longer house any of Hood County's female inmates. The counties have had a long-standing arrangement through which Somervell housed female inmates for Hood County and Hood County housed some of Somervell's male inmates.

Male and female inmates must be housed separately, and no female inmates have been held at the crowded Hood County Jail.

Hood County also pays to house some of its female inmates in Erath and Parker counties, but those jails will not be able to absorb more of Hood County's female inmates once the arrangement with Somervell comes to an end. "Business is booming, unfor-

tunately," Deeds said, referring to arrests that fill up county jails.

In addition to those jails having to deal with their own county's inmates, Parker County is currently housing all of Johnson County's female inmates while construction is underway to add onto Johnson County's jail, Deeds said.

He explained that the decision PLEASE SEE JAIL | 2A

WHAT IT MEANS

SHERIFF Roger Deeds was informed on Wednesday that, as of Sept. 1, Somervell County will no longer house Hood County's female inmates.

ERATH County and Parker County also house some of Hood County's female inmates, but will not be able to absorb them all after the agreement with Somervell comes to an end.

THE situation amplifies what Deeds said is a "critical" need for a larger jail.

COMMISSIONERS have tried to delay for as long as possible building a new jail or expanding the current one in order to avoid a tax rate increase.

A giant undertaking Democrats see hope, but Republicans not worried

BY KATHY CRUZ
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

When it comes to Hood County being heavily Republican, Democrats can easily feel that they are in a David-and-Goliath situation - and some of them do.

But Democratic Party Chair Robert Vick prefers to focus on what one mighty whack can accomplish.

In a way, the steady membership growth within the Hood County Democratic Club and the Texas Democratic Women of Hood County is the equivalent of swinging a slingshot. One must build momentum if one is going to take down the giant.

"We had 60 at our meeting last Thursday," Vick said earlier this week. "(The increase) happened immediately after the election, and through a short period of time since then, our membership has more than doubled in both our groups."

Still, Democrats in Hood County are vastly outnumbered.

Republicans made up 85 percent of straight party votes in the General Election last November that put Donald Trump in the White House. In Hood County, Trump won 81 percent of the vote, compared to just 15 percent for Hillary Clinton.

Considering those numbers, how can Vick feel optimistic?

"Hillary Clinton lost the state of Texas by less than 9 percentage points," he said. "It was that close. Had Hillary won Texas, with New York being solidly blue and California being solidly blue, then the Republican path to the White House would have been blocked."

"So all we as Democrats have to do is convince four-and-a-half percent of the people to change their mind, or find 9 percent new voters who vote in our direction. So it's a very positive thing. It's a very doable thing."

It's also a very challenging thing, at least where local politics is concerned. Every county office here is held by a Republican.



Vick

she said she is unsure of the current numbers.

Thirty-seven may not seem like a lot, but it's significantly higher than in years past. The group began to grow during the 2016 presidential campaign and especially after Trump was inaugurated in January.

Davis, who joined in 2005, said there were periods when "we were just barely getting by," but that's not the case anymore.

"It's much, much higher than past years," she said of the club's membership.

ACTIVE ACTIVISTS

Democratic organizations report an upsurge in membership among women since Trump's election.

Shirley Ledford, who helped found the Hood County Texas Democratic Women's club in 1991, said some women who recently joined cried over the election of Trump.

"They said, 'I have to get out of my chair and do something,'" she said.

The club holds meetings at Spring Creek Barbeque on the second Monday of each month, but the organization isn't just for ladies who lunch.

According to Davis, members participated in the women's marches that were held in Fort Worth and Austin the day after Trump's inauguration.

The group's annual luncheon, she said, raised enough money to provide \$1,000 scholarships to three graduating seniors.

Last March, Davis said, club members mailed more than 100 postcards to the White House expressing opposition to Trump's agenda as part of the national "Ides of Trump" postcard campaign.

Club members have also

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Holding court

Colby Scott and his racquet had a good workout during this week's tennis summer camp at the Granbury High School tennis courts. Granbury's new head tennis coach Tim Brewer and assistant tennis

coach Denise Scott were on hand Tuesday through Thursday to share tips with youngsters while encouraging teamwork. See related photo, P. 5A.

Myers files for re-election

BY KATHY CRUZ
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Granbury City Council member Rose Myers is the latest to file in the Nov. 7 city and school elections.

She currently holds the Place 4 seat on the council. There are several weeks left to go in the filing period, but both Myers and Mayor Pro Tem Mickey Parson already have challengers.

Chamber board president Trish Reiner filed Monday to run against Myers. Greg Cor-



Myers

rigan filed that same day to run against Parson for the Place 6 seat.

Corrigan is a volunteer firefighter and chamber ambassador. He serves on two city boards.

LONGEST-SERVING MEMBER

Parson is the council's longest-serving member. He took office in May 2005. Parson had not filed by

press time Friday, but he sent an email to the Hood County News last week stating that he was headed to City Hall to pick up a candidate packet.

"During my tenure on council the City's bond rating has continued to improve and the City tax rate has been lowered and never raised," Parson's email stated.

"Also, during my service, I think the quality of life in our great City has improved dramatically."

The filing deadline is 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 21.

German grocery chain heading to Granbury

BY KATHY CRUZ
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Granbury is poised to get another grocery store, and it will be a cost-cutter similar to Aldi.

The City Council has approved a preliminary plat for Lidl, a German global discount supermarket chain.

The store is planned for a 15-acre tract west of Nichols Court and east of the Starbucks by the Kroger Marketplace. It is directly across the highway from McDonald's.

Lidl has more than 10,000 stores across Europe. It expanded to the United States this year.

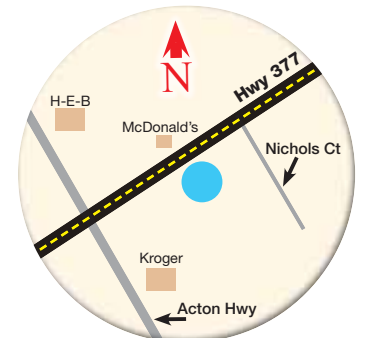
Like Aldi, located farther west at 1339 Plaza Dr. North, the store reduces overhead by having customers bring their own bags.

Lidl also reduces overhead by partnering with local and regional farmers and carrying fewer brands.

According to the chain's website, 90 percent of products sold at the store are Lidl brands.

The chain also sells small appliances and kitchen gadgets.

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Proposed plat for Lidl Supermarket

New student registration this week

Middle and high school students new to Granbury ISD register this week.

High school: Tuesday and Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Career and Technical Education Center at the back of the high school.

Middle schools: Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 to 11 a.m. and 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Registration for new students in grades 1-5 continues weekdays from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the elementary and intermediate schools.

New students should bring a copy of their birth certificate, shot records, Social Security card, proof of residence (such as a utility bill), parent/guardian state-issued ID card (if available), last report card from previous school and most recent test scores (if applicable).

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FRESH FROM THE OVEN: If you like chocolate meringue pie (and who doesn't) you'll want to check out Barbara Boozer's recipe for a tasty treat. Barbara is active in a multitude of community endeavors, and she loves to bake. 1B.



WHAT IS IT?



COURTESY

SMALL CANE: A Hood County reader would like some help identifying this cane-shaped object that is less than a foot tall.

Stick not for walking

BY BETHANY KURTZ
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Dan Floyd has searched all of his antique price guides, but can't find the answer to this week's "What Is It?"

He said he bought the item at an estate sale. From other items in the home, it looked like the owners had been world travelers, Floyd said.

The item is shaped like a walking cane but only about a foot tall.

He thinks it may be a swagger stick.

The shaft narrows to a point covered by a metal cap while the curved end is wider, with the letters "GT" scratched into it. The item is made of a steel or brass rod tightly wrapped in leather with metal rings that have corroded to a green color on the shaft.

He had the short cane in his antique booth in Granbury and also a booth in Arkansas, but none of his customers have ever identified it, he said.

"It has been exposed to a lot of eyes," Floyd said.

He hopes someone will be able to recognize the item or know what it was used for.

If you recognize this item or have an idea how it was used, give us a call or an email explaining what you know about the object and how you learned about it so we can share the information in a future issue of the paper.

If you have an historical or odd item around your home or business that you would like to know more about, send a photo and a short description to the Hood County News.

Direct calls and emails to Bethany Kurtz at bkurtz@hcnews.com or 817-573-7066, ext. 256.

All submissions need to include the submitter's full name, city and contact information in case we need to contact you for more information.

For my furry friends

Boy's birthday wish

BY BETHANY KURTZ
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Pets at the Hood County Animal Control got a special gift from a young boy.

For his seventh birthday, Cameron Brinkman requested gifts for animals at the shelter.

Friends brought him bags of pet food, bleach and pet toys, said his mom Stacey Brinkman.

ADOPTED DOG

"We have a dog we got from the shelter a few years ago, and we had a few dogs that were loose in our neighborhood we took to the shelter," she said. "So when we were talking about

where to donate to, he said the animal shelter."

They adopted their dog Spencer who is now about 2 years old. "He is one of Cameron's best buddies," Brinkman said.

Donations are a big help to the shelter, said Hood County Animal Control Sgt. Kelly McNab.

"It was very thoughtful of him to think of all the homeless pets at animal control," McNab said.

For information on donating or adopting an animal, contact animal control at 817-573-4277 or hcac@co.hood.tx.us.

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COURTESY

GIVING HEART: Cameron Brinkman, who just turned 7, collected donations for the Hood County Animal Shelter instead of presents at his birthday party. Angel, shown in the window and available for adoption, managed to photo bomb Cameron.

DEMOCRATS: Persevering despite being outnumbered

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shown up at state Sen. Brian Birdwell's, R-Granbury, office to express their views on issues.

Four of them - Davis included - participated in Fort Worth's March for Science on Earth Day.

The women's club also helps with local civic projects, Davis said, such as distributing lunches through the Healthy Kids program, collecting books for the Hood County Library's book store and donating toiletries to the Ada Carey shelter for women and children.

UPHILL BATTLE

Though Davis admires Vick's positive thinking, she acknowledges that it will be a challenge to make any headway, at least locally.

"We're not going to change it overnight," she said, but added that change may be accomplished through "baby steps."

LaCelle Howard, who recently surfaced as a regular writer of letters to the editor challenging Republicans and denouncing Trump, is determined to speak out, even though she sees little hope of turning Hood

County blue.

"We're never going to change their mind," she said of staunch Republicans.

Regarding Democratic candidates for local offices, she said: "I don't see anybody coming to the forefront as a Democrat in this county. I don't know what it would take. I don't see it changing, which is sad."

THE PARTY IN POWER

Hood County Republican Party Chair Jim Logan said he is not concerned about growth among the county's Democrats.

He said there has been "excitement" among Republicans about holding candidates accountable for the Republican platform of "smaller government, national security, economic growth, lower taxes and less regulation."

Logan also stated that he hopes Democrats will continue to run on their platform of "excessive regulation, excessive taxation, economic stagnation and the politics of personal destruction."

"As you are no doubt aware, they have lost in massive landslides in local elections, state legislatures, state governorships and

the U.S. Congress," he said. "It has culminated in (a Republican) now taking the presidency."

Democrats, of course, are hoping to take back power.

"Our hopes are having Texas turn blue so that we can have more influence on the national level," said Ledford.

She added, however, that a couple of political experts have predicted that the earliest this might happen is 2024.

"We don't have much hope," she said, "but we're not going to quit."

Davis said that women who recently became politically involved are finding support and friendship.

"The (presidential) election was certainly the impetus (for) action," she said. "But I think they enjoy the fellowship, the friendship and the intellectual stimulation that comes from political discussions."

Davis said she has many friends who are Republicans.

"They're lovely, and I'm comfortable with them," she said. "But I've learned not to discuss politics with them."

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JAIL: Money saved on transports could defray costs

FROM PAGE ONE

made by the Somervell County Commissioners Court has to do with the county contracting with a jail management company and with the fact that it is cumbersome to transport prisoners back and forth between counties.

Hood County's jail has 192 beds. This month, there has been as many as 230 inmates, counting females, Deeds said.

On Thursday, when Deeds spoke to the Hood County News, he was awaiting a phone call from the McLennan County Sheriff's Office about possibly housing female prisoners at that county's jail.

If that happens, though, deputies will have to make the long

round-trip to and from Waco to transport prisoners. Transports require two deputies.

"We're stretched to the limit now," Deeds said of his six transport officers.

As of Thursday, six of Hood County's female inmates were being housed in Parker County, six were being held in Erath County and 26 were in Somervell County.

Sixteen of Somervell's male inmates were being housed in the Hood County Jail, Deeds said.

TRANSPORT VS. BIGGER JAIL

Deeds said that Hood County's crowded jail was a problem even before he was elected. He

is currently serving his third term, and has been sheriff for eight and a half years.

Thursday morning, Deeds had a meeting with Precinct 2 Commissioner Butch Barton to discuss jail plans. The two have been meeting with architects to determine the best path forward.

Deeds said that if the Commissioners Court doesn't move forward on a plan, he will need to hire more transport officers. That not only means additional salaries, but benefits.

He said the county spent about \$500,000 last year on out-of-county prisoners. With transportation costs factored in, the cost was closer to

\$600,000, he said - and that's not counting fuel and wear and tear on county vehicles.

That money, Deeds noted, would have made "a big dent" in a new jail.

Though Deeds didn't state a preference regarding expansion of the current jail or building a new one, he said that "things are falling apart" at the current jail, which is inside the Law Enforcement Center on Deputy Larry Miller Drive. That building was built in 1995.

He said that things are "critical" and that he will support "whatever is cheapest and most reasonable."

He added: "It's getting more and more critical."

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Grass fire narrowly misses home; more could be on the way

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A controlled burn almost caught a home on fire after getting out of hand on Tuesday, according to the Hood County Fire Marshal Ray Wilson.

"It appears that fire escaped an unattended burn barrel," Wilson said. "One residential structure was threatened with fire burning within about 5 feet of the home. Firefighters from the Granbury and North Hood County fire departments were able to stop the fire before it damaged the house."

That fire, in the 1500 block of Temple Hall Highway, was the second grass fire firefighters combated on Tuesday. The first was on Mambrino Highway along the side of the road.

The risk for grass fires is increasing dramatically as the

heat and dry weather stretch on, Wilson said.

"Conditions are rapidly changing with the arrival of summer and hotter weather," Wilson said. "The drought index that indicates how dry the grass and trees are has increased more than four times since the July 4th holiday."

While the county is not currently under a burn ban, Wilson said he expects to have to ask the commissioners court for one before too long if it doesn't rain.

In the mean time, people should take precautions when lighting or working around a fire, he said. Never leave any fire unattended, always have a water source available and keep the area around any fires cleared in order to minimize spreading.

Before starting a controlled

burn, residents should contact the fire marshal's office, he said.

"By reporting, information is sent to the fire marshals on duty as well as the dispatch office," Wilson explained. "If an individual is conducting a control burn, and it gets away, then fire marshals have an idea of what or where the fire is."

"Oftentimes someone will call in a smoke investigation. While we will still investigate, reporting a controlled burn allows us to call and check on the person doing the burning."

The marshal's office can be reached by phone at 817-579-3335 or online at www.county.hood.tx.us. The website also includes the rules for burning safely as well as what can or cannot be burned.

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Saving Emily

Trooper, deputy pull 1-year-old from locked vehicle

BY BETHANY KURTZ
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

A Hood County great-grandfather is thankful for two law enforcement officers' quick actions.

On June 25, trooper Thomas Anderson and Deputy Keith Martin responded to a 911 call for a child locked in a vehicle in Holiday Estates south of Granbury.

Max and Pat LaDuke's granddaughter had come to visit, bringing her 1-year-old twins Emily and Max Sutherland.

"They had all got out and we went into the house except for Emily but we didn't know," Max said. "Then my granddaughter ran in saying we had locked Emily in the car."

A retired Fort Worth firefighter, Max rushed outside, but didn't have anything to use to get into the car.

"She had been in the car about 10 or 15 minutes. We panicked," he said.

The family called 911 and found a hammer, but Anderson and Martin arrived before they could break the window.



HAPPY ENDING: Emily Sutherland gets some attention from Hood County deputy Keith Martin (left) and trooper Thomas Anderson. Emily was briefly locked in a vehicle in June but is okay, thanks to the officers' quick actions.

"They opened the door immediately. They had her out in 10 seconds," Max said.

He and his family were grateful the officers responded so quickly, knew what to do and had the right tools to save Emily, Max said.

Far from being afraid, Emily embraced the situation and her new friends, he said.

"She was just a smiling and everything while we were trying to beat open the door," Max said. "When they got her out,

she just hugged their necks."

But as a firefighter trained to handle these types of situation, he is very aware of the danger Emily could have been in if she had been in the car longer or if the day had been hotter, he said.

"She wouldn't have been smiling if it had happened these last few days in July," Max said.

The lesson? Make sure to keep hold of the car keys and double check the car is empty, he said.

Sheriff office: Minors found with alcohol at party

Deputies found minors with alcohol at an early morning party Monday.

Around 3 a.m. Monday, deputies responded to the 3600 block of Lake Granbury Drive in Lake Granbury Harbor for an underage alcohol party, said Public Information Officer Lt. Johnny Rose.

"Deputies discovered two 14-year-olds, four 16-year-olds, one 17-year-old, one 18-year-old, and a 19-year-old participating in an illegal alcohol party," Rose said.

Eight of the minors were cited for class C misdemeanors. Six were cited for minor in possession of alcohol, one for consumption of alcohol by a minor,



Sanchez

and another for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Abiel Edgardo Sanchez, the 19-year-old from Granbury, was found to be in possession of 1.5 grams of cocaine, under 2 ounces of marijuana and several Xanax pills, Rose said.

Sanchez was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance, a third-degree felony with a \$15,000 bond. He was also charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of marijuana.

Deputies: Husband assaults wife during argument

Around 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Hood County deputies responded to a disturbance in the 9400 block of Pittsburg Street in Cresson, said Public Information Officer Lt. Johnny Rose.



Cameron

Deputies discovered William Brent Cameron, 46, had pulled his 30-year-old wife off of a bed and slapped her face during an argument, Rose said.

Cameron, who lives in Cresson, was arrested and charged with family violence assault with previous conviction, a third-degree felony with a \$10,000 bond.

Electrical fire sets building ablaze

An electrical problem started a structure fire northeast of Granbury Tuesday, officials said.

Callers reported an outbuilding on fire in the 1100 block of M&M Ranch Court at 7:14 p.m., said Hood County Fire Marshal Ray Wilson.

The building was engulfed in

flames by the time Granbury, North Hood County and DeCordova/Acton firefighters arrived on scene, he said.

"The fire was contained and extinguished," Wilson said. "There were no injuries, and the property owners were not displaced."

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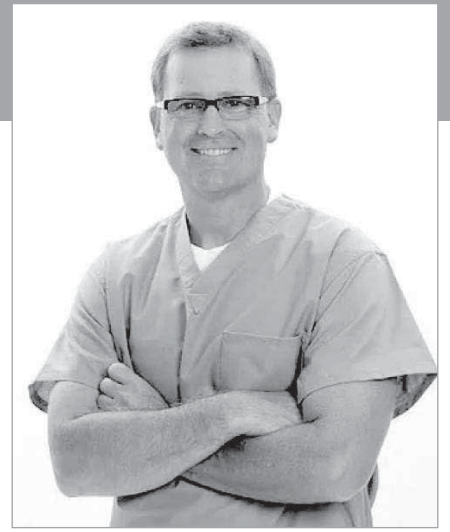
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Selene is a sweet female shepherd/husky mix about 4 months old. She loves to play and be petted.

Sylvester is a handsome orange and white kitten about 10 weeks old. He is curious and active.

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TURN FOR THE WORSE

As a follow-up to the article by Kathy Cruz regarding the Square; at 4:30 on Friday, July 21, I came to a stop at the corner of Houston and Bridge waiting my turn to proceed across the intersection.

An oversized semi attempted to make the turn from Houston on to Bridge. I quickly backed up as far as I could when the side of the trailer was nudging the front end of my truck. I leaned on the horn to stop it because it definitely wasn't going to make it without taking my truck with it.

Curbside parking was full, there were two cars behind me and nowhere to go.

The two cars behind me backed up as far as they could so I was able to back up to the area just east of the bank's ATM and even then the trailer scraped my truck.

I was certainly shaken up and just glad I didn't lose my truck.

I would suggest that when these large trucks are approaching the Square, they should be required to call the local police to meet them at the intersection and allow the officers to direct traffic until the trucks make that turn.

Currently there doesn't seem to be a solution to the problem, and I just pray that no one is hurt and their cars are damaged beyond repair to say nothing of personal injury.

Jean Cate Granbury

REFORM, NOT REPEAL, ACA

The preamble to the U.S. Constitution reads as follows: "We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

Perhaps the most relevant phrase in the preamble, considering the current attempts by the U.S. Congress to repeal the Affordable Care Act, is "promote the general welfare."

At the time the Constitution was enacted the definition of general welfare, according to usconstitution.net, general welfare referred to "health, happiness, or prosperity."

According to the same source, "welfare in today's context also means organized efforts on the part of public or private organizations to benefit the poor, or simply public assistance."

As this is being written, Republicans in our Congress are trying to repeal the Affordable Health Care Act. Is impossible to know which one of their plans will be voted on because they have managed to keep it a well-guarded secret.

All the Republican proposals submitted thus far are projected by the CBO to increase the number of uninsured people by at least 13 million people, or more.

Many Republican elected officials contend that health care is not a right. It may not be enumerated in the Bill of Rights but the Constitution clearly gives the federal government the freedom to promote the general welfare.

Republicans, including Trump, would also like to cut funding to Medicaid programs and require the several states to bear more of the burden for funding of Medicaid. The most offensive part of the repeal is that it would reduce taxes for the rich by hundreds of millions of dollars.

Most Democrats agree that the ACA needs to be reformed, but there is no reason to eliminate the entire act and this would be much more humane than taking away benefits from those who need it the most, the middle class and the working poor families to provide aid to the wealthy by reducing their taxes.

Call, write, email, or visit the offices of your representatives and let them know you want reform of the ACA, not repeal.

Steve Green DeCordova

TEACHERS DESERVE MORE

I am writing regarding Senate Bill 19, which was approved by the Senate Finance Committee and will go before the full Senate in the coming days.

Among other things, this bill would require school districts to increase teacher pay by \$1,000 starting in 2019.

To be clear, that is \$1,000 per year, not per month. When you divide by 12 months, withhold taxes, insurance premiums, etc. the amount teachers will pocket is negligible. However, the cost to all of us will be substantial.

The state is going to mandate the increase, but not fund it. Local school districts will be required to find a way to pay for it.

Multiply \$1,000 by how many teachers will be receiving the increase in GSD alone and you have the amount the school district will have to come up with, about \$130,000. Annually.

Where is that money going to come from? Cuts to programs that benefit our kids? Cutting faculty? Raising taxes?

Texas boasts the 6th best economy in the nation, yet we rank only 41st in education quality.

According to U.S. News and World Report, Texas' spending per K-12 student declined by an average of \$143 for the current school year. We spend \$10,017 per student, which is \$2,555 less than the national average of \$12,572. This ranks Texas 36th in spending for education.

Teachers deserve every penny they get. They work tirelessly to teach our kids and to help us mold them into successful adults.

They deserve a much bigger raise than \$1,000, but the state needs to fund those pay increases.

The state with the 6th strongest economy can afford it.

Lanell Gonzales Granbury

EXTREME POSITION

A recent letter writer, a history teacher no less, proposed that political thought comes down to either the small government ideal limited to "protecting the nation from outside invasion, and establishing and maintaining a court system where individuals' rights and property are protected" or "communism."

That a history teacher would believe that these two extremes, libertarianism and communism, are our only choices is appalling; the vast majority of Americans fall somewhere in the middle of those two poles.

I certainly hope her students aren't being encouraged to dismiss ALL mainstream political positions so flippantly.

Most Americans recognize that our individual liberties are balanced with our social and civic responsibilities.

Presenting the past 225 years or so of Western political thought as encompassing only two extreme political/economic systems is simplistic.

Western democracies have found many different ways to accommodate both individual freedoms and the responsibilities of their citizens to their society. And none, including the U.S., are all one thing or the other. We need not live solely at the direction of Ayn Rand or Karl Marx.

This is a big country, with a big population, and our political landscape must be broad enough to include all the positions found between the extremes that Ms. Hayworth presents.

We truly are the world's "melting pot," ethnically, racially and politically; that's what really makes America great.

Charles Stonick Granbury

WE'RE AMERICANS WITHOUT HYPHENS

My ancestors came from Ireland and Germany, but I don't consider myself to be Irish-American or German-American. I am an American.

How many generations have to pass before other ethnicities drop the old country and become Americans? I wonder why we have a Black congressional caucus.

Have you ever thought about that?

I was driving on Division Street in Fort Worth the other day and saw a sign, "Black Students Association." Why?

There are African American colleges, but if there was a whites-only school of any kind it would be discrimination. Think about that one.

I spent 20 years of my life in the United States Marine Corps where some of the finest people I knew and worked for and with were descendants with an African or Mexican heritage.

No one asked for any special jobs or duties because of their heritage or background. However, there was one thing in everyone's favor. We were all Marines but Americans first.

There was one occasion in the late 1950s I remember every Wednesday night was Mexican dinner night at the club in Japan where it was all you could eat, tacos, enchiladas, etc. for a quarter.

One of the NCOs complained to the commanding General that he thought there should be a Polish night at the club since there was a Mexican night.

The General solved the problem. He cancelled all future Mexican nights.

As long as we have nationalities with a hyphen there will be problems.

So let's all become Americans. Live like one, act like one, learn and speak the English language, obey the laws, read and understand our constitution, respect and pledge allegiance to our flag and our country. One nation under God with liberty and justice for all. Support our President.

That's what makes America great. Do not come here to try and change America to be like the country you have just left.

Con Shuck DeCordova

DOES HE WANT ANSWERS?

The problem with responding to any letter from Mr. Woodward is deciding whether or not to take his message seriously.

If one takes Mr. Woodward at face value, he believes that the policies of President Trump are of such obvious, and positive benefit - that anyone who questions, dissents or ridicules them could only be motivated by their hatred for the current president.

"Hate," like "love," is a word that means many things to many people. After all, one person's "love" is another person's "like," and when does "dislike" cross over into "hate"?

It is beyond my poor ability to make such conclusions, although Mr. Woodward seems to not be similarly troubled by such distinctions.

This is how I would evaluate (without any extreme emotion, save one of patriotism) the important issue of President Trump's alleged collusion with Russia for personal political/economic gain.

Let us assume (giving President Trump the benefit of all doubt) that each and every one of the 21 identified contacts by the President's family, campaign staff, surrogates, and advisors with Russian officials and representatives between spring 2016 and the election were random and not coordinated in any way.

Further, that the discussion at such meetings was not remotely connected with any questionable activity or illegal conduct.

Further, let us assume that President Trump was not told of any of these meetings or their subject matter.

Now that we have settled all of the legal issues in the President's favor - we can look forward to his commitment to seeing that every stone is turned over to ferret out those countries (think Russia), and their leaders (think Putin) that have been attacking our electoral process and democratic principles.

I believe that a President with "clean hands" would go to "the ends of the earth" to protect these basic American values.

I will be watching closely the zeal with which President Trump identifies and punishes those who seek to diminish our republican form of government and the democratic principles by which its leaders are chosen.

Should his effort be lacking or his duty ignored, I would be forced to conclude that President Trump's "moral absence" be proof itself of collusion in the hope of future benefit or consideration from Russia.

David M. Sanderford Granbury

RUSSIA FICTION

I write this in response to an editorial that was published in the Hood County News on July 22, 2017, entitled, "Conaway skirts uncomfortable questions in Facebook town hall."

The "top ten" record you keep spinning is the beat-a-dead-horse song entitled, "It was the Russians that did it, It was the Russians that did it."

Please do not take this in any way as my attempt to defend Mr. Conaway. Mike Conaway has been a tremendous disappointment to many Republicans as he continues to overwhelm us with his neon positions on one issue after another.

Not having the decency to actually show up in person for a town hall meeting pretty much sums it up - he's a beltway insider who has totally disconnected himself from having to deal with us "little people."

My objection goes to some of the assumptions made in your editorial. For instance, the HCN, hopping on the mainstream fake news bandwagon, continues to play and sing the "Russian" narrative as though it is a foregone conclusion that Trump somehow was in cahoots with Putin to illegally influence the last election - in spite of the fact that not one shred of evidence has been put forward to date to prove any type of illegal activity whatsoever committed by Trump with regard to the Russians. Not one iota of evidence - not one scintilla. Nada. Zilch.

On the other hand, Hillary Clinton, via her position as Secretary of State and through her mob-inspired Clinton foundation, sold one favor after another to the Russians.

On top of that, your beloved Obama could not wait to do some inside dealing with the Russians. Once Obama won his re-election, he was even caught on a hot mic letting the Russian ambassador know that now it will be much easier for Obama to cut deals with the Russians. But ... you guys weren't interested in that, were you.

You ignore the facts when they don't suit your agenda and you make them up to advance your agenda. This continual Russian drumbeat staccato rat-a-tat-tat droning on by you and your MSM cohorts just never seems to stop. This is your "top ten" hit song and you are going continue to play it - even after the hall has cleared out and everyone has gone home and the lights have all been turned off.

Pathetically, you cite the Washington Post and the New York Times as some sort of reliable sources for your Russian assertions. These two trash rags have zero credibility for giving us one ounce of truth. Neither the Post nor the Times has cited any evidence of Russian collusion as of this date.

Sadly, the Hood County News has chosen to hitch its wagon to these two inherently biased, "fake news" rags who only cite "anonymous" and "unnamed" sources. By citing them, you merely perpetuate the lies.

Conaway did not answer you on that particular Russian issue because there is nothing to say on it. You are the ones crying "Wolf" on that deal.

I don't blame him for ignoring that lame unsubstantiated bait you threw out there at him related to Russia. Do you think if you print it enough times it will become true?

Like the Cowardly Lion in the "Wizard of Oz" - wringing his tail, "I do believe in spooks, I do believe in spooks, I do, I do, I do, I do, I do believe in spooks" - I do believe in Russians - I do believe in Russians - I do, I do, I do, I do, I do believe in Russians...

The Hood County News continues to disappoint. I can only hope that some day you will wake up to the truth and have the integrity to tell it like it is instead of telling it like you want it to be.

By the way, this "Russian" song you keep playing is not on the top ten hit list any more - except in the collective minds of the NYT, the Washington Post, CNN, MSNBC and the other disgraced media pundits - and apparently in the collective heads of the HCN.

Dave Eagle Granbury

WHERE TO WRITE

Email letters to editor@hcnews.com or mail to P.O. Box 879, Granbury, Tex. 76048. Include your name, address and daytime phone number.

YOUR TURN

What would be your sport if you were competing in the Olympics?



Jill Jernigan

"Bobsledding, so I could go fast, and I don't have to worry about being so skinny!"



Anna Roe

"I would have loved to be a gymnast, but I'd be better at coaching. I'm a better cheerleader than athlete."



Colton Jernigan

"Running. Because I'm good at running. I won my field day race this year."



Karla Willmeth

"Gymnastics. From the time I was in first grade that was my dream. I did compete in high school."

What a waste

Think about it. How much stuff do you throw away?

Most of us are pitifully ignorant about what has caused us to develop such disgraceful habits for wastefulness.

We are clearly out of control squandering any and everything; which means we will reach a doomed stage on planet Earth if things aren't controlled soon.

Every walking soul is more than likely guilty of throwing away, breaking and wasting a ton of stuff over a lifetime.

The amount of food, clothing, household furnishings, and useless or old toys, patio chairs, hair-dryers, among other items, thrown away every day is just staggering.

Americans alone are tossing away over 18 million tons of cell-phones, computers, tools and small kitchen appliances each year. Once broken or old they're cast aside. Actually, some are stored in closets and basements; the owners hoping a shop will open in the mall specializing in repairing these items.

It's hard to believe over 900 billion tons of food are dumped each year because it spoiled or wasn't used by an expiration date.

Americans waste more electricity than six combined European countries.

We use and waste more water than Russia, France and Great Britain put together; well, it's hard to resist reviving showers, refreshing swimming pools and time-of-our-life water parks.

Plus, we wash our vehicles to the tune of 850 billion gallons of water a year, which sounds like a status thing to me.

I'll admit to contributing to the wasting problem over the years, burning at least 3,500 slices of toast and around 1,000 Pop-Tarts.

I'm fairly sure I've broken at least 500 drink glasses, countless dishes and an unknown number of eyeglasses, which is an embarrassing confession.

This leads me to believe I'm either clumsy, absent-minded, or both, which is not a good mix of traits.

Most of my friends and I have squandered money in slot machines, lost it in washing machines, vending machines, the stock market, at church bingo and bought odd things at garage sales.

If there's one thing I'm good at it's spilling.

Besides milk I've spilled uncountable glasses of wine and tea, cups of coffee, and other liquids, overturned nail polish and polish remover, and bottles of makeup and perfume.

In the kitchen I've accidentally spilled at least 100 pounds each of sugar, flour, rice, dried beans and elbow macaroni in my lifetime.

It will be difficult to rein in excessive use of water and electricity, or the need to throw away old, broken appliances.

However, I've vowed to turn over a new leaf, arm myself with knowledge and inform my family how they too can reform, preferably by not buying so much stuff.

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GUEST COLUMN



Carol Cook



Tennis tips

Reagan Lloyd (left) and other tennis campers were eager to learn tennis tips from Granbury's new head tennis coach Tim Brewer Wednesday morning at Granbury High School. Monday's rain forced a cancellation, but

Brewer and assistant tennis coach Denise Scott made up for the lost time with extended sessions Tuesday through Thursday.

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Pay your dues to catch stripers

Locating stripers at times can be difficult; other days it is easy.

These fish can move constantly, stay in an area for quite a while and sometimes be almost impossible to find.

You have to look at the entire condition of the water body, read the weather, understand their habits, consult the moon chart and pay your dues on the water.

One can usually locate land-locked stripers in the heat of summer by moving down to the lower ends of the main lake. Summer fish will most certainly be near the coolest water if possible.

There are certain spots they will frequent each year, and if you keep a log you can develop trends over the years. This doesn't mean they will be there, but it may be a good place to start.

Look at the water temperatures. If it is real hot around 90 degrees F there will more than likely be a thermocline. Look for fish around the thermocline. Baitfish should be present as well.

If the wind has been blowing for a while, the thermocline may change. If a good rain cools the water off, the fish may move up to feed or may move into the creeks and/or in the river.

Really hot water can be stressful to all wildlife, including fish. During the summer the fish can lose weight in Texas waters.

A good rain during the summer cools the lake some and can really turn the fish on.

Topwater action is usually at its best early, late and on overcast days. The entire water column top to bottom on many

HOOD OUTDOORS



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lakes can support fish as sufficient oxygen is generally present at all depths.

Different lakes will have different depths where the fish will stay. Look for bait and you will probably find some predators.

I have caught fish on the top and at 40 to 50 feet down. The fish may be moving frequently during this period. Log where you catch them. Look for bird action as this will put you on fish quick. Invest in a good sonar locator, and learn how to read it and trust what you see.

Pay your dues on the water and you will most certainly be rewarded.

HOOD COUNTY FISHING REPORT

Granbury water temperatures are in the low to middle 90s in the afternoons and in the upper 80s in the mornings.

Small stripers and white bass are schooling early near Ports O' Call, DeCordova and in Striper Alley.

Keeper striped bass are on the ledges near deeper water and are good to 8 pounds on live shad.

The thermoclines in some areas on the lower ends were around 15 feet down. At times I could only put my live bait presentations only 12 feet down.

The stripers would come up to feed out of the thermocline.



NICE HAUL: From left: Bryan Burkett, Tanner Bowden, Steve Bowden, Drew Bowden and Reid Cooner enjoyed catching stripers on Lake Granbury.



GOOD PUPILS: Terry and Jeff James have been learning how to catch stripers on Lake Granbury. They moved to Granbury a couple of years ago.

Black bass continue to be good to excellent on deep-diving crankbaits and soft plastics. Do not have a catfish report.

Squaw Creek largemouth bass are good to 8 pounds. Large numbers of fish are being caught on Tilapia-imitation baits (perch-colored baits).

Crankbaits are productive as well as Texas-rigged soft plastics. Tilapia are good on worms fished under a cork.

Whitney stripers are good to 12 pounds on live shad and swimbaits fished near the State Park. Possum Kingdom stripers are good near Hells Gate and the dam. Fish are best early and late.

Lake Lewisville hybrid stripers are good on live bait and trolled crankbaits near the gravel pits.

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ON A MISSION: Church youth from several churches in Texas served Granbury residents in need through building projects last week. The middle through high schoolers toiled in the afternoon sun, building wheelchair ramps and installing Sheetrock, among many other projects.

CHRISTINE DORAN

Labor of love

Mission trip hammers home service for church youth

BY CHRISTINE DORAN
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

The oppressive Texas heat beat down as they toiled over the challenging project.

Backs bent over wood slats, middle and high schoolers connected piece after piece of lumber with heavy, electric screwdrivers.

They attached a wheelchair ramp to the pale yellow home of an elderly Granbury resident.

When finished, the ramp would allow easier access into the mobile home for the owner.

With faces flushed red from heat, the kids persevered despite the brutal temperatures in Granbury last week.

HELPING HANDS

Every summer, Methodist kids from the Central Texas Conference Youth in Mission (CTCYM) lend a helping hand to those in need throughout the United States. In June, they travel out of state, and in July they focus their attention in-state.

Last week, a group of 65 students from several churches in Texas built wheelchair ramps, painted, installed Sheetrock and rebuilt porches for Granbury residents.

"Especially where there's safety involved for the elderly, we try to take care of that for them," said Susan McConnell, a youth director of a church in Arlington and the center director for this year's mission in Granbury. "(The kids) just love

'I always tell the parents, 'Your kid will not come back the same.'"

--Susan McConnell
Youth director

to do it."

The students ranged from seventh through 12th grade, and they learned how to do the construction as they went.

"Once they've been on a trip, they know how to use the tools and work the equipment," McConnell said.

The students' parents are amazed, she added.

The teams have a construction leader who teaches them how to do each project, according to Norma Moore, an adult team leader.

"I've never built anything like this," Morgan Richter, a student on Moore's team, said. "I just kinda followed along."

Nevertheless, she picked up the skill quickly, Moore assured. The kids spend time getting to know the people they serve.

"They take them lunch every day and have lunch with the clients. It's just life-changing for them," McConnell said.

Seeing the gratitude of some clients has been "amazing," said Mariah St. John, one of the students.

These students raised funds

for the mission work with dinners, auctions, dances and other events.

The funds were applied toward building materials and other supplies they needed, as well as food and gas for the trip.

The 65 students stayed in Acton Methodist Church and showered at Acton Middle School.

Many are returning students from previous trips.

St. John was on her fourth service trip with the organization.

"I kept coming back because just seeing the smiles on the clients' faces is, like, the best thing in the world," she said.

It's amazing to watch the growth of the kids throughout the week, Moore said.

"We've been talking about the fruits of the spirit and kindness," she said. "The little acts of kindness they (did) for each throughout the week was just amazing to watch."

After their service projects, which ran from 8 a.m. until after 4 p.m., the real highlight of the trip was getting to shower, Richter joked.

The group of kids around her laughed and nodded in agreement.

The students were exhausted at the end of each day, but happy to have served the community, they said.

"I always tell parents, 'Your kid will not come back the same,'" McConnell said.

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CONSERVATIVE VALUES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS: PART ONE

You may have noticed lately that there's been an increase in the number of articles and letters to the Editor in this newspaper about our public school system. We even heard recently from the Granbury School Superintendent discouraging yet again the idea of school choice and lamenting their never-ending scarcity of funds. Indeed, the very mention of a "school voucher" causes great anxiety among most of our public school folks including the Superintendent, the seven members of the Granbury School Board, their administrative staff and the Teachers' Union.

The reason for the recent flurry is that elections are coming in November and as recently announced, two of the School Board Trustees are deciding whether or not they want to run for re-election. The trustees are all really nice people with the very best of intentions. But a number of their policies would probably not be endorsed by the majority of voters in our community if we were all fully knowledgeable as to what they actually stand for. They try really hard to convince us that they're non-partisan Conservative folks but their policies largely agree with Liberal agendas in other parts of our state and around the country. All you have to do is go hear what they say in their monthly public meetings where their partisan-liberal slant is evident.

In his recent article, the School Superintendent referred to himself as "Conservative" even though many of his positions on public education seem to closely align with the current Platform for the Texas Democratic Party. It's okay to be a Democrat but it seems a bit disingenuous to call yourself a Conservative while you're in the very act of supporting positions about public education that are generally thought of as Liberal. Please check this out yourself by going on line to the following location: <https://www.txdemocrats.org/pdf/TDPplatform2016.pdf>. Then look at pages 6 to 12 (opposition to School Choice for example is on Page 6). Then ask yourself this question: why was the School Superintendent so intent on making us believe he's a "Conservative" when his views on public education are "Liberal?"

And that's not the only question by any means. Another one is: why are liberals so negative about the idea of "school vouchers?" Frankly, it seems to always be about the money. Their fear is clearly expressed in that Democrat Platform and it goes something like this: if any of our tax money flows out of the current public school system to private schools, there will be less money for the public schools, less money for the School Board to manage and less money to allocate to their liberal agenda. It would be shocking if ever their response to the idea of vouchers might also include a professional study to determine how to lower their operating costs. That's what happens regularly in the private sector, but our School Board seems to be limited to the current model even though their cost per pupil is substantially higher than it is for private schools. Maybe they should take a closer look at that relationship instead of just ignoring it with their same old thinking.

You may not be aware that more than twenty percent of school-age children in Texas have ALREADY opted out of the public school system in favor of private and home schools. Why do you suppose that has happened? If you talk to the parents of those children, you are most likely to get one or more of the following responses for why they abandoned the public school system:

- 1) It didn't sufficiently consider parental oversight and concerns.
- 2) It forced my child to be exposed to offensive values and choices.
- 3) It puts out an inferior product that fails to adequately prepare my child.
- 4) It produces children who exhibit unfettered and rebellious conduct.
- 5) It exposes my child to continuous political propaganda we have to undo.

America is a country where we celebrate freedom like no other country in history. Why now are we forced to have only one model that gets to use our tax money for educating our children? You won't find that in the Constitution anywhere. In fact, when this country started out, all different kinds of schools qualified to receive tax money. School Choice has already been tried in this country and it worked just fine. Why wouldn't it work now?

If you would like to consider running for one of the two School Board positions to be contested in November, you will need to file your election documents by August 21. There are people living in this community that God has called to perform this service for our children in a way that puts the Kingdom of God as first priority. If that's you, we need for you to answer your call. If you need assistance, please contact the Hood County Pastor Council.

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THE GILBREATHS, WEDDING DAY AND TODAY

From here to eternity, from high school sweethearts to celebrating a golden anniversary together, from dancing on air to walking with a cane, the Gilbreaths have lived through a lot together and say they would gladly do it again.

Mack and Jane were married Aug. 4, 1967 in the Fairmount Historic District of Fort Worth. Mack is a retired paperhanger and a semi-retired catastrophic insurance adjuster and Jane is a retired school nurse for Granbury ISD.

Fifty years, four children, and 10 grandchildren later, they celebrated their golden wedding anniversary poolside with dinner and dancing to live entertainment at the home of their daughter Carmen Mininger in

Crowley.

The event was hosted by their children: daughter Sheila and husband Grant Copple of Crowley; son Scott and wife Christine Gilbreath of Crowley; daughter Carmen and husband Shawn Mininger of Crowley; and Craig and wife Amanda Gilbreath of Burleson.

Beloved grandchildren are Erin and husband Michael McMahon; Zach Copple; John Gilbreath; Kaitlyn Gilbreath; Hayden Mininger; Zoe Mininger; Trinity Mininger; Caleb Gilbreath; Liam Gilbreath; and Adaira Gilbreath.

After residing the first 10 years in Arlington, they have lived the last 40 years on Lake Granbury.

Soul Repair Day program to focus on moral injuries

BY DEBBIE SCHNEIDER
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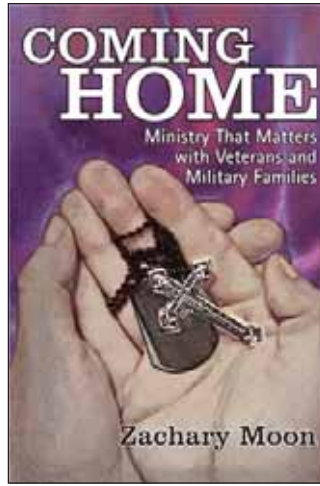
Rev. Zachary Moon will bring a message of reconnection and reintegration for those who serve in the military as well as first responders. Sponsored by Wet Veterans, Moon's presentation comes at the Soul Repair Day program in September.

The topic of moral injury will be addressed.

"We decided to include children, teens and young adults because of the moral injury they endure through bullying and abuse," said Wet Veterans founder Pat Stewart.

Research has determined moral injury can result when soldiers violate their core moral beliefs. When evaluating their behavior, they feel they no longer live in a reliable, meaningful world and can no longer be regarded as decent human beings, Stewart reported.

In the book, "Soul Repair," by Rita Nakashima Brock and Gabriella Lettini, it's stated that the consequences of violating one's conscience can be devastating. Responses include overwhelming depression, guilt, and self medication through alcohol or drugs,



RECONNECTING: Rev. Zachary Moon, author of "Coming Home: Ministry That Matters with Veterans and Military Families," is the featured speaker at the Soul Repair Day program sponsored by WetVets.

Stewart said.

Moon, a commissioned military chaplain, has seen the unique challenges for those adjusting to post-war life. He was deployed to the Middle East as an Army Reserve chaplain in 2005.

Moon is the author of "Coming Home: Ministry That Matters with Veterans and Military

SOUL REPAIR DAY

WET Veterans sponsoring free Soul Repair Day program on moral healing.

SATURDAY, Sept. 30 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ACTON United Methodist Church, 3433 Fall Creek Highway.

CONTINENTAL breakfast and a light lunch are included.

CONTACT Pat Stewart, of Wet Veterans, for more information at 817-894-5516, or email Michael Stewart, of Wet Veterans, at mandpstew@yahoo.com

Families." The book addresses the process of reconnection and reintegration that is "best engaged within a compassionate community."

The Wet Veterans are partnering with Acton United Methodist Church to present the Soul Repair Day program.

There's no charge to attend the event from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 30 at Acton Methodist, 3433 Fall Creek Highway.

Continental breakfast and light lunch are included.

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HELPING HANDS

DUSTED ROAD TRIP TONIGHT ON THE SQUARE WILL HELP CAC

Dusted Road Trip celebrates local artists, while benefitting the Paluxy River Children's Advocacy Center, from 5-8 p.m. tonight at Against the Grain, 111 E. Bridge St.

Beck Rowntree will share photographs for a Texas adventure in a free program.

"It will be like a road trip," she said. Her new line of "altered fashion" will be presented in a free style show at 6:30 p.m.

In keeping with the road trip theme, a drawing will be held for special treats packaged in a suitcase.

COULD THERE REALLY BE AN ARTIST HIDDEN INSIDE?

Discover your hidden artistic talent and help support the Brazos Pregnancy Center on Saturday, Aug. 19.

From 7-9 p.m. a fundraiser at Painting with a Twist, 715 Autumn Ridge Drive, is planned to benefit Brazos Pregnancy Center.

The fee is \$35 per person. Contact Melissa Cortez, BPC director of advancement, at 817-579-1233 for more information, or register online at www.paintingwithatwist.com.

The Brazos Pregnancy Center is a nonprofit organization ministering to women confronted with unplanned pregnancies. BPC is an advocate for the unborn child.

Brazos Pregnancy Center has been serving the community since October 17, 1994.

Articles should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event for consideration in the Helping Hands column in the Hood County News. Email information to dschneider@hcnews.com.

ANNOUNCEMENT GUIDELINES

Wedding, engagement, anniversary and birth announcements appear in the Hood County News at no charge.

Go to www.hcnews.com/forms or type your announcement and email to lifestyles@hcnews.com. Announcement examples are available at the Hood County News office, 1501 S. Morgan St.

ANNIVERSARIES

Announcements for the 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th and over wedding anniversaries will be published free of charge. The announcements will appear in the paper (after the event) as space permits. Couples may provide "now and then" type photos, with a current picture and their old wedding picture.

Texas sales tax holiday Aug. 11-13

Shoppers can save money during the state's annual sales tax holiday coming Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 11-13.

The law exempts most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced below \$100 from sales tax, saving shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend during the weekend.

"Most folks won't hear the back-to-school bell for another month, but it's never too early to take advantage of the opportunity to save money on everything from ball caps to ballpoint pens," Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar said. "As the father of three young children, I know how these expenses can add up."

Lists of apparel and school supplies that may be purchased tax-free can be found on the Comptroller's website at www.TexasTaxHoliday.org.

This year, shoppers will save an estimated \$87 million in state and local sales taxes. Texas' back-to-school tax holiday has been an annual event since 1999.

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Dorothy 'Dot' Brown

Dorothy "Dot" Pearson Brown passed away Wednesday, July 19, 2017, at Granbury Villa Care Center.

Celebration of Life: 2:00 p.m. Sunday, August 13, 2017 at Waterview Retirement Home Clubhouse on Pearl Street in Granbury, Texas. Food and beverages will be provided. Casual dress attire.

Dot was born November 16, 1928 in Navasota, Texas to her parents, J.K. and Ethel Mae Pearson. The family moved to Fort Worth where she graduated from Diamond Hill High School. After marriage Dot opened a children's clothing store in Richland Hills named Dots Tots to Teen. She later retired from Pioneer Concrete after 20 years of service and 1,000,000 miles of driving the Metroplex as a courier.

In 1977 Dot married her true love, Bill Brown. She and Bill were married until his death in 2010.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her daughter, Carolyn Smith, brother, James Pear-



son and husband, Bill Brown.

Survivors: Daughter and son-in-law, Dottie Morgan and Robert "Bob" Jones; sister, Bobbie Jones; brother, Sparky Pearson; grandchildren, Kimberly Beathard, Wendy Shabay and Stormy Morgan; 8 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by Martin's Funeral Home.

Emma Jean Hudman

Emma Jean Hudman, 86, laid down to rest on Sunday, July 23, 2017. Funeral service will be 10:00 AM, Monday, July 31, 2017, at First Christian Church of Granbury with Interment at Holly Hills Memorial Park. Visitation will be 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM, Sunday, July 30, 2017, Wiley Funeral Home, Granbury. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Hudman Family Scholarship Fund c/o First Christian Church of Granbury.

Emma was born October 19, 1930 in Oil Trough, Arkansas. She graduated valedictorian from Oil Trough High School in 1949. Emma graduated from St. Vincent's Infirmary School of Nursing, Little Rock, Arkansas in 1952 and enjoyed a 42 year career as a registered nurse, retiring in 1992. She worked for 10 years in Beeville, Texas, helping to open Memorial Hospital in 1961. She worked for 26 years in Kingsville, Texas at the Kleberg County Hospital and then Spohn Kleberg Memorial Hospital, which she helped open. Emma lived in Bishop, Texas from 1963 to 1995, and Granbury from 1995 until her death. She was a longtime member of First Christian Church in Kingsville and, after moving, First Christian Church of Granbury.

Emma married Bob Hudman on October 11, 1952 in Virginia Beach, Virginia where he was stationed in the US Navy. She loved traveling as a Navy wife



and considered their stationing in Tokyo, Japan from 1957 - 1959 to be one of the highlights of her life. She was preceded in death by Bob on June 21, 2011 after 58 years of marriage.

Emma loved animals, gardening, histories of frontier women, and cooking for her family. Nursing and family were her life's devotions. In every way she embodied the spirit of our Servant Savior, Jesus Christ, by taking care of others her whole life.

Emma is survived by her sons, Art Hudman and wife Gerry, and Todd Hudman and wife Irina; grandchildren, Meredith, Christina, Stacy, and James; brother-in-law and sister-in-law Carl and Carol Hudman, and niece, Windy Rice and husband John, and their children, Katy and J.C.

Wiley Funeral Home made arrangements.

Almeda Ruth 'Poopsie' Watts

Almeda Ruth "Poopsie" Watts -- a little lady who lived a very big life, passed away, Tuesday, July 25, 2017, just five days after celebrating her 98th birthday. She was a native of Floyd County and resident of Floydada for more than 50 years. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, July 29, 2017, at the Floydada United Methodist Church. Interment will follow at the Floyd County Memorial Park. Visitation will be 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Friday, July 28, 2017, at Moore Rose Funeral Home Floydada, Texas. Arrangements are under the personal care of Moore Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

Poopsie -- a cherished nickname given to her by her late husband early in their marriage -- was born July 20, 1919, to Lucy Ann (Casey) and William Lucian Thomas of Lockney. Lucian was a dry land farmer who raised wheat, maize and a little cotton. Poopsie's family paid for her to attend kindergarten early, and she was in the third grade before she turned six. The second youngest of five siblings, Poopsie graduated Lockney High School in 1935 but had to wait two years before starting West Texas State College in Canyon. Her enrollment was dependent on her dad making 10 bushels of wheat to the acre and \$1 a bushel.

At 16, Poopsie moved into Randolph Hall, a co-op dorm, where she answered the telephone at the desk in exchange for her room and board. She roomed with Mildred Bradford, who remained a dear friend all these years, and they both majored in business. They would always laugh about an oil and gas accounting class that almost did them in but, thanks to a professor more clueless than them, they managed to get an A!

During Poopsie's freshman year, her sister's eventual husband introduced her to H. G. (Red) Watts. A native of Happy, Red was on the football team -- hoping to make the varsity and receive a scholarship -- but that was not to be. Instead, Red would have to lay out every other semester to work and earn enough for the next. Red, who was a pre-med major, would travel from Dimmit to Canyon regularly to see Poopsie when he wasn't in school.

Eventually, Red enlisted in the National Guard to help with expenses. He made \$1 for every meeting and that would pay their way into four movies. In 1940, his guard unit was activated and he was assigned

to the Army Air Corp. His pilot training took him to Oklahoma, San Angelo and Mission while Poopsie completed her BBA degree in 1941 and returned to Lockney to teach business classes at the high school.

On August 2, 1942, Poopsie and Red walked down the aisle of the Lockney Methodist Church at the end of the Sunday service to be married. Only a few people had been told of their plans, and the church organist was the self-appointed wedding coordinator. Many were surprised by the sudden ceremony, and surprised again when the newlyweds left later that day -- first for Savannah and then Waycross, Georgia -- for more flight training.

Red was deployed in April 1943 -- first to Casablanca, Morocco, and then to Sicily, Italy -- and Poopsie made the long car trip home to Lockney in their new Ford automobile with another "war bride" she had just met. Poopsie moved in with her sister Ermine and helped care for her twin nephews while also working at the Lockney bank. Her responsibilities there ran the gamut and after closing her cashier's drawer one day with \$500 too much, was reassured that "someone will come back to claim that!" They did.

In February 1944, Red returned to New York but was unable to contact Poopsie with the news until he reached El Paso. Just before he arrived at the bus station in Plainview, she received a much delayed letter that said Red was shot down on one of his last missions and feared lost. Fortunately by then, she knew that he was safely back stateside. Once home, Red was hospitalized in Lubbock with malaria. He recovered there for two months while Poopsie lived in the nearby Hilton Hotel.

Red became an instructor, and for the next two years prepared new P-51 pilots for combat. He and Poopsie -- and baby Tom -- traveled to various assignments, from coast to coast. Red, who had achieved the rank of captain and received numerous prestigious flying commendations, considered making the military a career until Poopsie's dad advised him to return to Texas and resume his studies to become a physician. They did but in 1947 Lucian passed away, and Poopsie's brothers asked for Red's help in running the family farm. He agreed and over time, more land was acquired and eventually all had their own places.

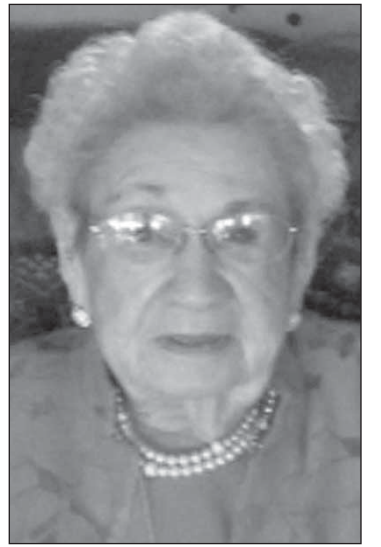
Red and Poopsie moved to

Floydada in 1950 and in 1956 bought the Barwise gin. In addition to farming 820 acres, they ginned around 15,000 bales of cotton every winter and sold starter seed every spring. Poopsie kept all the accounting books for both operations and was a very tough negotiator who unfailingly got her gin customers the best price for their cotton. She left the house each morning, for the short walk across the gravel driveway to the gin office, stylishly dressed and in high heels. Perched on a tall stool in order to see over the counter and out the office window (she was never more than five feet tall), she drove hard bargains with Paymaster Feed and Anderson Mill Foods. During the season, her daily sales averaged about \$250,000 a day. Not all cotton gins offered this selling service and almost all of the Barwise customers trusted Poopsie to make their deals.

In addition to being an accomplished businesswoman, Poopsie was an amazing cook -- in terms of quality and volume -- and a prolific home gardener who canned and preserved enough to feed her very large and ever-growing family. Poopsie made education a priority in the lives of her children and grandchildren. She celebrated their many academic achievements and, along with Red, made it possible for them to reach as far as their abilities would take them. And their abilities took them into medicine, dentistry, engineering, business, finance and the law.

Poopsie moved to a retirement facility in Granbury several years ago, to be closer to family. She made many new friends while keeping up with those in the Panhandle. She was a regular at the workout room, especially to rehab a broken hip and later a shoulder replacement, both sustained well into her 90's. She held court at a very large 95th birthday celebration that brought in more than 150 well-wishers from across the state, and she continued to crochet a blanket for each new baby in the family.

Poopsie and Red, as part of the "greatest generation", were faced with incredible challenges -- like depression and war. They not only survived all that came their way but succeeded in every possible way. They turned every detour into an opportunity and every setback into an incentive to reach even higher. When circumstances beyond their control altered their plans and dreams, they accepted the hand that fate



dealt them and built something even better.

Red, who passed away in 1998, and Poopsie had five children -- Tom (Nancy), Woodlands, TX; Sam (Joyce), Granbury, TX; Danny (Melanie), Austin, TX; Janet (James), Midland, TX; and Rick (Laura), Ponca City, OK. There are 12 grandchildren -- Carla (Craig), Christy (Gary), Judd (Noel), Derrick, Max, Alex (Melissa), Casey (Mike), Chris, Brooke, Cora, Darla and Hogan -- and 10 great-grandchildren -- Connor, Peyton, Everett, Adalyn, Callan, Sloan, Smith, Rusty, Brandon and Amber. The great great-grandchildren are Paisley, Braxton and Braden. Poopsie is predeceased by all her siblings Ernest Lee, Ermine Ida, Mary Gaynelle and W. L., Jr.

Red and Poopsie Watts would probably classify their lives as a simple life. However, all who knew them would disagree -- it was simply remarkable.

Memorials can be made to either the Floyd County Historical Museum or Veterans' Memorial -- both reached at P.O. Box 304, Floydada, TX 79235 -- or the Floydada United Methodist Church, 203 W. Kentucky, Floydada, TX 79235.

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Some of her best recipes are in a handwritten notebook

BY DEBBIE SCHNEIDER
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Barbara Boozer has a recipe book with all of her handwritten recipes. The pages have yellowed, some are torn, but she still uses it.

"Sometimes I find an old recipe that I used to make when we first got married," Barbara said. "It's fun to make it again."

Growing up, Barbara remembers how she and her sister had tasks to complete before her mother would get home from work.

"I cooked, and my sister cleaned house," she said.

Barbara and her husband, John, have three sons, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

"When the boys were growing up, it seems like we always had a house full of kids," Barbara recalled. "The boys played sports, and our house was close to the school, so kids kind of congregated here."

For their 60th anniversary, the Boozers enjoyed a cruise with their sons

and wives. Everyone went their own way during the day and joined up for dinner each night.

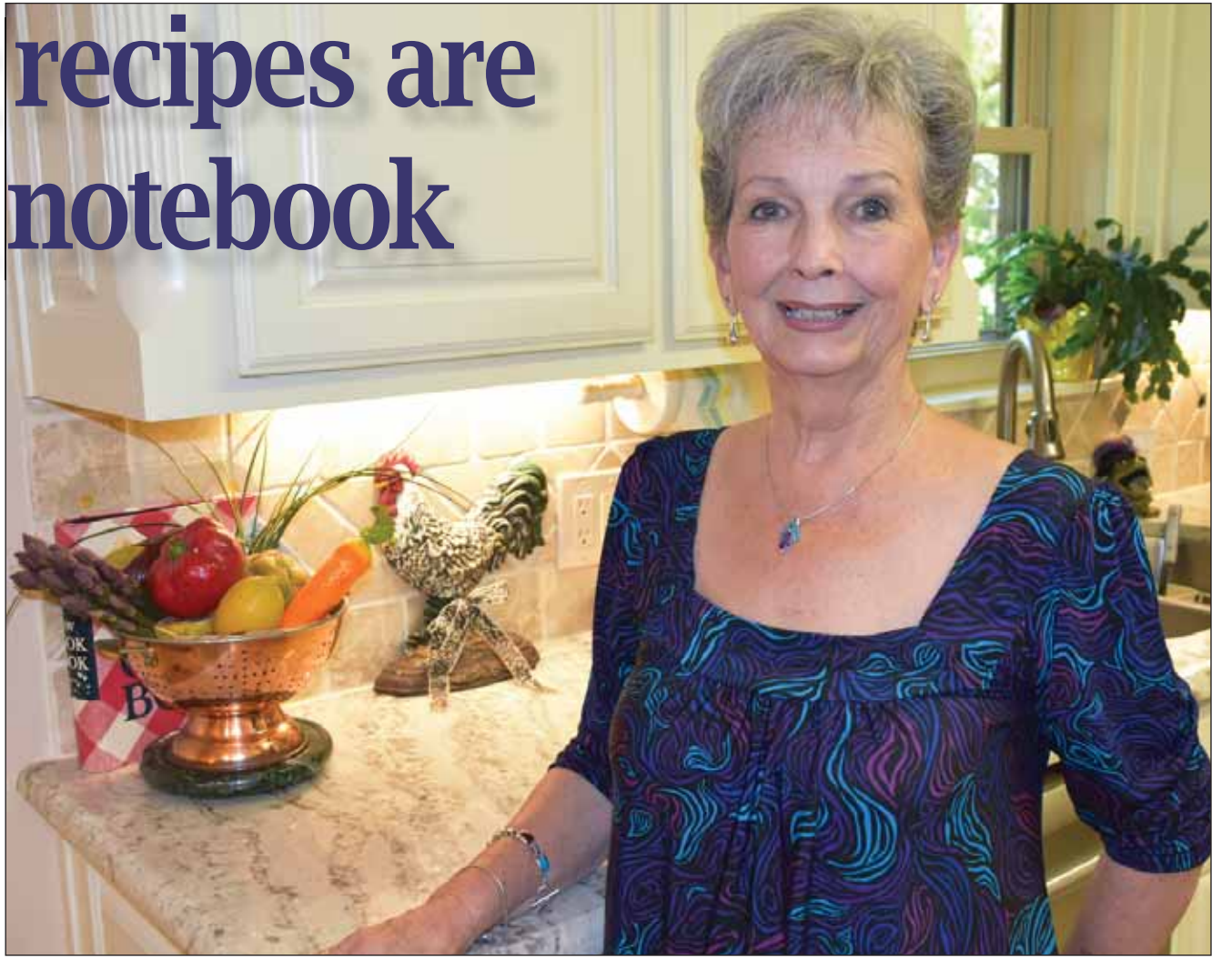
With the kids and grandkids now spread out all over, it's difficult for all to gather at once.

But there was a time when the boys and their spouses were all in town for General Granbury's Birthday Party. As part of the festival, Barbara oversees the barbecue cook-off.

"It had rained that day, and we were walking down to judge the booths for showmanship," Barbara said. "Water had collected in the tarp over John Campbell's booth, and the wind caught it and dumped water all over us!"

Barbara has been involved with all kinds of fundraisers, festivals and nonprofit organizations in Granbury. She's been a member of the Granbury Woman's Club for 37 years, and was given a key to the city in recognition of her years of volunteer service.

She smiled and said, "I've always been involved in the community and have enjoyed every minute of it!"



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LOVES TO BAKE: Barbara Boozer discovered a fondness for cooking when she would help with family mealtime while she was growing

up. But, she really prefers baking. She laughed and said, "I'd rather bake, than cook real food!"

FRESH PEACH SALAD

INGREDIENTS

- 3-4 large ripe peaches (chipped or mashed)
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper, or slightly less
- 3 cups cottage cheese, small curd
- Lettuce and baby spinach

DIRECTIONS

1. Peel and chip or mash peaches, add sugar, salt and cayenne. Chill at least two hours.
2. Make a bed of mixed lettuce and baby spinach in salad bowls, add 3/4 cup layer of small curd cottage cheese, top with chilled peaches.
3. Serve with club crackers. Serves 4.

CHOCOLATE MERINGUE PIE

PIE INGREDIENTS

- 2 1/2 tablespoons Hershey cocoa
- 1/3 cup flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2 1/2 cups milk
- 3 eggs, separated
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 3/4 teaspoon vanilla
- 9-inch pastry shell

DIRECTIONS

1. Mix dry ingredients together, set aside.
2. Slightly beat egg yolks, set aside.
3. In heavy skillet scald milk, add dry ingredients.
4. Cook over medium heat stirring until bubbly, approximately 3 minutes.
5. Stir small amount of hot mixture into egg yolks, then immediately return to hot mixture, cook 2 minutes,

stirring constantly.

6. Remove from heat, add butter and vanilla and stir well.
7. Cool slightly, pour into cooled, baked pastry shell. Top with meringue, making sure to seal all edges.
8. Bake at 350 for 12 to 15 minutes, or until golden.

MERINGUE INGREDIENTS

- 3 egg whites
- 1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar
- 6 tablespoons sugar

DIRECTIONS

1. Beat egg whites with cream of tartar, till soft peaks form.
2. Gradually add sugar, beating till stiff and glossy peaks form.
3. Meringue is ready to add to top of pie and bake.



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FRESH BAKED: Barbara Boozer's recipe for chocolate meringue pie has passed the test of time. It's in a little recipe book that she's kept since she first got married.



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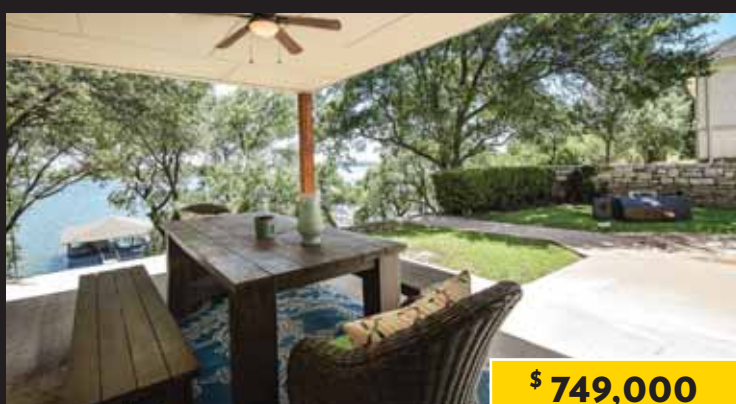
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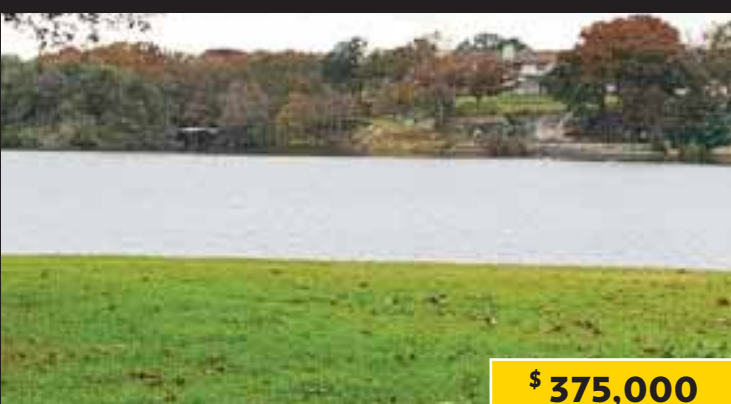
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Calendar

The Community Calendar is a free listing in the Hood County news to inform readers of community programs, special meetings and non-profit events. To be considered for publication, organizations must include the agenda for the meeting, or the speaker's name and topic. Information should be submitted two weeks prior to the event for consideration. Monthly updates work best.

Email information (including the location and street address) to calendar@hc-news.com.

SATURDAY, JULY 29

READING MAGIC with comedy magician John O'Brien wraps up the summer reading program, 2 p.m. Snow cones and ice cream on the back porch of the library at 3 p.m. Door prizes. 222 N. Travis St.

MONDAY, JULY 31

HARRY POTTER'S birthday party, 6 p.m., snacks and crafts for ages 7 and up, Hood County Library, 222 N. Travis St.

THURSDAY, AUG. 3

BENEFIT SALE for Opportunity House and Warriors for Christ Street Ministry all day at 3809 Winding Way. Three storage buildings full for sale, which runs through Saturday.

KIWANIS CLUB welcomes Mary Cangiamilla and Missy Overton from Woodmen-Life, noon, Farina's on Granbury square.

ROTARY CLUB welcomes city manager Chris Coffman, who will give an update on the state of the city, noon, Harbor Lakes Golf Club.

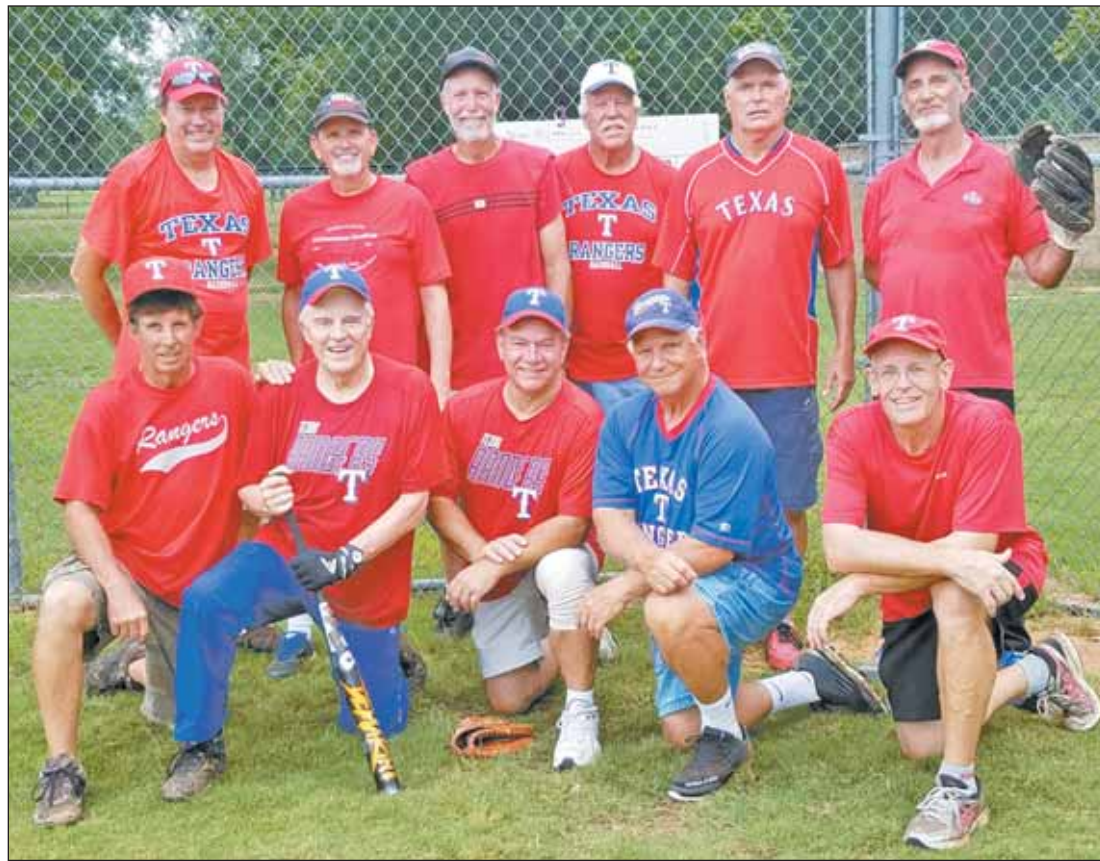
THURSDAY, AUG. 10

KIWANIS CLUB welcomes Jacob Summer from El Tesoro Camp, noon, Farina's on Granbury square.

ROTARY CLUB welcomes Sam Houston discussing the new Granbury Live Productions and renovations, noon, Harbor Lakes Golf Club.

FRIDAY, AUG. 11

SALES TAX Holiday begins, runs through Sunday. Shoppers can save on back-to-school clothes, footwear and supplies.



PECAN RANGERS: Pecan Plantation fielded two teams for the spring season of the Senior Softball League. The Rangers team was named runner-up and includes from left in front: Mike Williamson, Allen Engerer, Mar-

vin Doberenz, Jimmy Torres and Dennis Selle. From left in back: Jim Witt, Kliff Black, Bruce Boyd, Gerald Jones, Bill Lanus and Josh Rosenfeld.

Bats were swinging in senior softball

Senior softball had a smashing season in Pecan! Gentlemen ages 60 and over practiced and played hard this spring. Each week brought workouts and games at the baseball field located next to the Pecan Activities Center (PAC).

The Air Hogs, managed by Tom Woodward, took first prize in league play. Congratulations to team members: Art Jacob, Jack Hamilton, Carl Haring, Ronald Van Engen, Tom Woodward, Rick Siddall, Jerry Gazda, Paul Jacob, John Hutchison, Ronnie Warren, Odie Bush and Ken Glass.

The Rangers, managed by Allen Engerer, filled the runner up spot this year. Team players include: Jim Witt, Kliff Black, Bruce Boyd, Gerald Jones, Bill Lanus, Josh Rosenfeld, Mike Williamson, Allen Engerer, Marvin Doberenz, Jimmy Torres and Dennis Selle.

LEARN GOLF

Starting New At Golf (SNAG) is happening at the PAC soccer field this morning from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. The final date for the summer is scheduled for Aug. 26.

THEATER DAY

Today is the culmination of a week's worth of theater practice, and two show times are available for audiences. "Alice in Wonderland" takes the stage at 2 and 4 p.m. at the PAC. Tickets are available at the door. The production team of Missoula Children's Theater is leading the shows.

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ROAD WORK

Front entrance road work began this week, and Pecaners are encouraged to plan an alternate route due to possible delays.

FIRE SAFETY

Pecan Fire Chief Bill Mitchell reminds residents to be very careful with any open flame or burn during the hot, dry days of summer. Burn permits are necessary and available from the Hood County fire marshal's office.

GREEN PLAY

The fifth annual Granbury High School Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Support Golf Fund Tournament is on the calendar for Aug. 12 on Pecan's course. The four-person scramble is taking signups now in the golf pro shop or by contacting Jerry Loftin: 817-296-6049.

SUMMER PLANS

Outings for the youngest of residents of Pecan keep coming this summer.

Session three of golf, tennis and swim camp happens next Tuesday through Friday from

the clubhouse ballroom beginning at 8 p.m. (doors open at 7:45). Both light appetizer and full dinner service are available. Reservations are recommended for folks planning to attend:

8:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Drop off at the golf pro shop and pick up at the clubhouse pool. Call to register: 817-579-9412.

Acrylic painting camp for artists ages six and over comes Aug. 7, 8, 10 and 11 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the PAC. Teacher Maria Ward will lead the instruction. Sign up is necessary: 817-573-7952.

Dodgeball with Missy is scheduled for Aug. 11 from 2 to 4 p.m., and on the same day at 8:30 p.m., the featured flick for a golf cart drive in movie at the PAC is "Sing." These two events are free and require no sign up.

COMING UP

Pecan's Men's Golf Association's championship event was delayed due to inclement weather. The new dates for tournament play are Sept. 9-10.

DEADLINE COMING

For ladies who would like to be included in the Pecan Plantation Woman's Club's yearbook, dues are due by next Wednesday. A membership form is available in "The Columns" and may be completed and returned with annual dues to the clubhouse front desk.

EXERCISE OFFERINGS

The number and kind of exercise classes offered in Pecan are many, and summer boasts an array of options for getting fit. Boot camps in both morning and evening, yoga, tai chi, aerobics, chair exercise and line dancing are available each week from instructors at the PAC. The information desk has a full schedule of class times and offerings.

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Gulf War veterans sought for clinical trial

Our office was recently contacted by Linda Chao, Ph.D., a research biologist at the San Francisco VA Medical Center, about a VA-funded clinical trial for veterans with Gulf War Illness.

According to research, sleep quality affects the variety of symptoms Gulf War veterans suffer, including mood and cognition, fatigue and chronic pain.

Researchers hope to find new way to approach insomnia and to improve sleep by changing sleep habits through Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) without the aid of sleep medication.

All study procedures are done by phone and mail, so veterans do not need to travel to San Francisco to participate.

The study involves a telephonic interview with the veteran to determine eligibility, self report questionnaires, eight weekly CBT sessions by phone and keeping a sleep diary.

If you are a Gulf War veteran and have trouble falling asleep or have Gulf War Illness symptoms, you may be eligible for this non-medication insomnia treatment study for improving sleep and managing GWI symptoms.

Veterans who chose to participate receive treatment and up to \$435 compensation. Gulf War veterans interested in this research, contact Nina Alpert at 415-221-4810 X24602 or email nina.alpert@va.gov.

ONLINE SHOPPING

Veterans online shopping benefits are coming through the Army and Air Force Exchange Service on Veterans Day, Nov. 11. Thirteen million honorably discharged veterans will soon have an opportunity to receive lifelong military exchange online shopping privileges simply by enroll-

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Linda Mallon
Veteran Service Officer

ing through www.VetVerify.org. Any issues with enrolling can be addressed by calling toll-free 1-844-868-8672.

Shopping at the online "PX" helps to support "quality of life" programs for

active duty service members and their families, and we get to take advantage of "tax free" buying for big ticket items like appliances and electronic equipment without having to leave the house.

SOUL REPAIR IN SEPTEMBER

The Hood and Somervell County Veterans Counsel meeting was held July 12 at Ruth's Place. Some important highlights include Soul Repair Day on Sept. 30 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Acton United Methodist Church, 3433 Fall Creek Highway sponsored by the Wet Veterans.

Key speaker for this event is Rev. Zachary Moon, military chaplain and author of "Coming Home: Ministry that Matters with Veterans and Military Families." Breakfast and lunch will be provided and our office will have a table set up there.

This is an amazing event for veterans, active duty military, first responders and their families. Contact the Wet Vets for more information at 682-205-3384.

DRIVERS ARE NEEDED

VA transportation continues but they desperately need volunteers to drive or ride along so please, if you would like to help or you know someone who would, contact Charlie LaFontaine at 817-300-8326.



Student scholarships given by Wet Veterans

David Rideaux II and Kenia Cortes were both given \$1,000 scholarships by the Wet Veterans organization. Rideaux is a student at Tarleton State University and won the scholarship for son/grandson of a veteran category. Cortes will be attending Sam Houston State University and won the daughter/granddaughter scholarship category.

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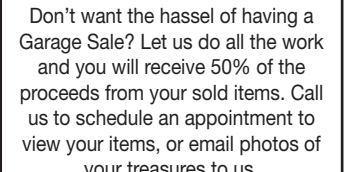
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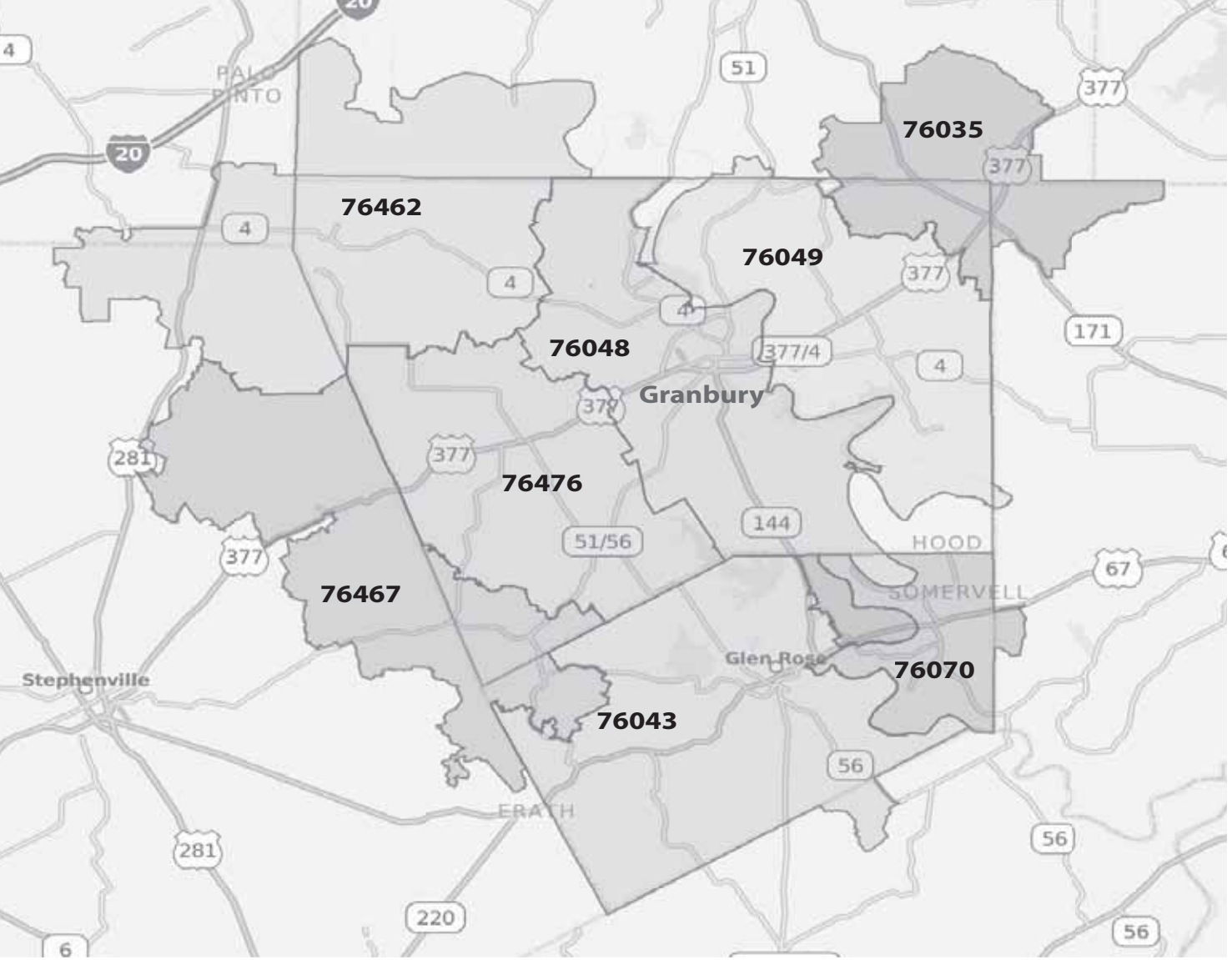
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Public notices are integral to democratic governance and stem from the right to "due process of law" guaranteed by the federal and state constitutions. Due process of law protects Americans' rights from arbitrary or wrongful violations. This concept has two parts: substantive due process and procedural due process. Substantive due process refers to the types of rights that are protected. Procedural due process refers to the means of protecting those rights. Substantive due process ensures that certain basic rights are not violated, while procedural due process may require suitable notice and a hearing before a government or court-appointed body can act in a way that may affect those basic rights. Public notices play a vital role in both substantive and procedural due process because they provide a window into government actions and also afford notice to citizens of actions about to take place, so they may exercise their constitutional right to be heard. Importantly, notification not only informs the individual or entity most directly affected, but also the general public, which has an interest in knowing how public powers are being used.



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