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## History – or hatred?

### Petitions circulate to keep, remove General Granbury statue

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Like blood on a battlefield, the national debate over Confederate monuments has seeped into Hood County, where a statue of Confederate Gen. Hiram B. Granbury adorns the courthouse square.

Based on social media posts, two online petitions are circulating among Hood County

residents – one to remove the monument, the other to keep it.

The argument mirrors those in other states where community leaders face growing opposition to memorials honoring those who fought on the side of slavery.

The heated debate shows no sign of cooling down any time soon.

In the dead of night Sunday, multiple Confederate monu-

ments were quietly removed from the campus of the University of Texas at Austin. University President Greg Fenves issued a statement saying that the statues “run counter to the university’s core values.”

On Friday, Six Flags Over Texas announced that the amusement park would end its 56-year tradition of flying the Confederate States flag and the flags of other nations that have

reigned over the Lone Star State, flying only American flags instead.

Questions about the appropriateness of Confederate statues and markers arose in 2015 when Dylann Roof, a white supremacist, shot and killed nine African Americans at a church in Charleston, South Carolina.

The emotionally charged issue reared its head again a week and a half ago after a

counterprotestor was killed during a white nationalist rally in Charlottesville, Virginia. The white nationalists were protesting the removal of a statue of Robert E. Lee.

Since then, Confederate monuments have been removed in the cities of Madison, Lexington, Durham, New York City and Tampa. Officials in other cities such as Birmingham, Atlanta,

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**WORTHY OF REVERENCE?** This statue on the courthouse square of Confederate Gen. Hiram B. Granbury is just one of many monuments honoring those who fought on the side of slavery during the Civil War. Such monuments are now at the heart of a heated national debate.

## The River

Part II

### More than meets the eye

BY CHRISTINE DORAN  
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His feet, which rested on the floor of the church, have kicked in doors to send messages to misbehaving gang members.

His hands, which lay idly, have thrown punches to be certain the messages were heard.

His mouth, which sang along confidently to “Victory in Jesus,” has served to request work from the Aryan Brotherhood (a violent, white prison gang) when he needed money.

The Brazos River Acres resident’s life has been filled with turmoil, but nothing has squandered his kind heart and his faith in the Lord, according to Terry McNew, the director of Brazos River Food Bank and a member of Brazos River Baptist Church.

The sounds of guitar, banjo, bass and fiddle were heavy in the air that night.

The tunes were familiar to him; he shared the small, paperback, red hymnal, labelled “Heavenly Highway,” with McNew, but knew most of the songs by heart. They sat, side by side, on a wooden pew near the front of the room.

The music filled the chapel. Around 30 people gathered in Brazos River Baptist Church for bluegrass worship one hot Saturday night in July.

The tall, plainly dressed man with dark features whispered back and forth with the petite woman. They commented on their favorite traditional worship songs.

The people of BRA, though struggling with dire poverty and a high crime community, have more to them than meets the eye, according to local nonprofit directors.

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**ONE LAST GLIMPSE:** With solar eclipse glasses securely in place, Baccus Elementary fifth-graders look to the sky for their final glimpse of Monday’s solar eclipse. The science lesson included safety procedures for viewing the eclipse and tools to tackle eclipse-related assignments before and after the outdoor observation.

## Granbury joins eclipse frenzy

BY BETHANY KURTZ  
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Protected by pinhole viewers and welding masks, solar eclipse glasses and telescopes, Hood County residents cast their eyes skyward on Monday.

For about three hours, the moon partially eclipsed the sun over Granbury.

At the Hood County Library watch party, Frank McGrail set up his telescope for optimum crowd viewing.

On the lawn behind the library building with a shield and whiteboard, he safely magnified the eclipse onto the whiteboard behind the telescope for indirect viewing.

When focused correctly, sun spots could be seen in the crescent of the sun, he said.

He also pointed out the mountain ridges on the moon.

An astronomer since the mid-1970s, he learned how to set up the telescope like that years ago, he said.

Alison and Sean Woods brought their young boys, Owen and Bennett, to the library for the fun social event and to witness the eclipse from behind the safety of solar eclipse glasses provided by the library.

As the boys gazed upward under their father’s watchful eye, Alison said she remembered her first eclipse.

“I was in kindergarten at the time. We made our own viewfinders at school,” she said. “My mom and I were at the grocery store parking lot when it reached maximum.”

Across the lawn, Melony Blecker, her two daughters, Addison, 10, and Allison, 11, and friend Abbey Hall, 10, came out to see the eclipse.

Watching the eclipse was different than what they were expecting, the girls said.

“I thought it would be for only a few seconds,” Abbey said.

“I thought it would get darker,” Allison added.

But the girls said they learned

more about eclipses from the experience and are eagerly looking forward to 2024, when Granbury will fall directly in the path of the next total solar eclipse.

Premier High School students enjoyed watching the eclipse through a welder’s mask provided by a receptionist whose husband welds.

Students were impressed by the sight.

“Very cool,” a Premier student said.

Granbury ISD students and families also gathered to witness the spectacle.

GISD teachers used the eclipse for science lessons, particularly in eighth and fifth grades, said GISD Director of Communications Jeff Meador. Many others observed the happening through a website live stream or through approved eyewear.

“Some even had the opportunity to look at the sun through telescopes brought to campus by area naturalists,” Meador said.

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**APPLIED SCIENCE:** Frank McGrail positions his telescope to safely magnify the eclipse onto the whiteboard for optimal crowd viewing outside the Hood County Library.

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**RAZZLE DAZZLE ON THE WATER:** A lighted boat parade is part of the Labor Day weekend Lake Fest. Lighted boats will be sparkling on Lake Granbury. 1B.





# Seeing the suffering should motivate us

Awakening. Surprising. Challenging.

Reporting on the poverty in Hood County was beyond words.

I struggled with emotions – shock and frustration. “I didn’t even know.”

I heard that statement nearly every time I shared with locals about the sights I saw. I heard it echoing in my own thoughts as I stared poverty in the eyes.

Many of us feel it – confusion. How did we miss this?

But I stared more than poverty in the eyes. I looked people in the eyes – people with kindness in their faces, despite living in a world in which every step is uphill.

## THE PEOPLE ARE REAL

The people of Brazos River Acres, where I focused my glimpse into poverty, are real. It should go without saying, but they exist in this world as much as anyone.

I don’t know how real that can be to anyone until they see the human beings living in post-disaster-like conditions.

But the people struggling with poverty are compassionate. They watch each others’ backs. They know each others’ lives. Gossip spreads through the community faster than at Sunday school.

They lend a helping hand when they have anything to give, according to volunteers at the food bank.

Volunteers and employees at local nonprofits said the same thing – these are good people.

The positivity of the struggling residents is seemingly superhuman – it’s inspirational.

Every day, many people in Hood County wake up, in their deteriorating cars, to the oppressive weather conditions. I’ve stopped complaining when I open the door to my car and step into glass-fogging heat. At least I don’t sleep there.

And, when the heat is too much, I’ll pour myself a glass of ice water.

I won’t worry about the water

## FROM MY PERSPECTIVE



Christine Doran Intern

Hood County is rich with resources for the poor. But the poor of Hood County have unique challenges, living in a community with no affordable public transportation and very little affordable housing and health care.

The gap between the wealthy and poor stretches for miles.

The poor often feel forgotten by the community.

And they aren’t wrong.

Tucked in the edges of town, they’re out of sight – and we know how the saying goes.

I was raised here – Hood County is home – but I didn’t see the suffering.

When you see it, you won’t be able to un-see it. Prepare yourself to feel struck by the need.

We should be shocked. But more than that, we should be motivated – motivated to challenge ourselves, to push for change, to fight for those who are often unheard.

We should listen to those in need and use our platforms to rally together for change.

I hope we can muster just a fraction of the compassion for the needy that they have for others.

We should all be talking about what can be done – there will be no easy answers, but it all starts with a desire to make a change.

I don’t sleep as well at night now that I know about the devastation in my own county – I hope you don’t either.

I hope we all lose sleep – I hope we lose sleep until something changes.

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bill. I won’t traverse to the river for a bath.

For some, it’s their sole source of water – some may even drink out of it.

Some residents are less impoverished, but still struggling to make the bills.



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## Youthful eyes

Owen (left) and Bennett Woods view the eclipse under the supervision of their father Sean Woods at the Hood County Library Eclipse Watch Party.

## MONUMENT: Should Gen. Granbury statue stay or go?

### FROM PAGE ONE

Richmond, San Antonio and Houston are considering the same action.

Last week, Dallas Mayor Mike Rawlings announced that a task force will explore the removal of Confederate statues from public places within the city.

### HONORING HISTORY

For some, the statues are more about history than racial

hatred. And there’s another thing to consider: Will removal of Confederate statues open Pandora’s Box?

Ona Pruitt’s petition posted at change.org to keep the Gen. Granbury statue states: “Removing the statue may lead to demands of changing both the names of the town and county... His body is in the cemetery. Are we going to dig him up? Where do we draw the

line?” County Judge Darrell Cockerham, whose ancestors fought for both the Union and the Confederacy, said Monday that he doesn’t “have an answer” for how best to handle the situation.

“Should the Mexicans be upset about the San Jacinto Monument?” he asked. “Should they be upset about the Alamo? Where does it stop?” Cockerham said he had not

been contacted by representatives of either side of the Gen. Granbury debate, but that any petitions submitted to the county will go before the Commissioners Court.

“If we get dueling petitions, we’ll consider both of them,” he said. “Maybe we need a referendum to take it to the people.”

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# Filing period closes, cementing races

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Two more Granbury School Board candidates squeaked in under the wire before the filing period closed Monday.

There are now races for both terms that are expiring this year.

Both Granbury City Council members whose terms are ending drew competitors, and three newcomers are vying for one seat on the Tolar School Board.

The cities of Tolar, deCordova and Stockton Bend will cancel their scheduled elections since the only candidates who filed are incumbents.

Two Tolar School Board members are unopposed for re-election, but there will be a race for the third seat.

Cresson city elections will not be held after all because the city received the green light from the Legislature to move the elections to May, according to City Secretary Rachel Shelly.

She said the switch was a cost-saving measure tied to the fact that Cresson lies in three

## CITY, SCHOOL RACES

### City of Granbury

**Place 4**  
Rose Myers (I)  
Trish Reiner  
**Place 6**  
Mickey Parson (I)  
Greg Corrigan

### GISD Board of Trustees

**Place 1**  
Maureen Griffin  
Kim Cruz  
Michael Moore  
**Place 2**  
Barbara Harrington (I)  
Dinae Hicks

### Tolar ISD Board of Trustees

**Place 4**  
Randy Turner  
Matt Imel  
Rhonda Knight

\*Incumbent

counties.

### GRANBURY CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Pro Tem Mickey Parson of Place 6 will be running against Greg Corrigan.

Rose Myers, of Place 4, will be competing against Trish Reiner.

Both Corrigan and Reiner are active with the Chamber of Commerce. Corrigan also serves on two city boards, the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Municipal Utility Advisory Board.

### GRANBURY SCHOOL BOARD

Incumbent Barbara Harrington, who holds the Place 2 seat, almost made it through the filing period unscathed. But on Monday, Dinae Hicks filed to run against her.

Hicks is co-owner of Lakeside Sports. She has two children.

Incumbent Chris Tackett did not file for re-election to the Place 1 seat. Three newcomers are vying for that spot.

Maureen Griffin, owner of Get Social! Communications, was the first to file for the Place 1 seat. She has a daughter and four stepdaughters.

Kim Cruz, who works in the medical field and has no children, filed last week.

Michael Moore, vice president of mortgage lending at First Na-

tional Bank of Granbury, filed Monday. He has two children.

### TOLAR SCHOOL BOARD

Brooks Goodson of Place 1 and Josh Swaim of Place 2 drew no opponents.

Brian Thomas was appointed to serve an unexpired term for the Place 4 seat but said he did not intend to run for a full term.

The three newcomers who want the position are Randy Turner, Matt Imel and Rhonda Knight.

### NO CHALLENGERS

Tolar City Council members who will enter new terms are Matt Hutsell of Place 1, Sally Grimes of Place 2 and Chip Foster of Place 3.

In deCordova, Mayor Pat Revell will serve another term, as will Kim Carter Lewis of Place 4 and Kathy Murray of Place 5.

New terms will begin for Stockton Bend aldermen John Adcock, Ed Reiter and Dean White.

Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 7.

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# School: No to seat belts on buses

BY ROGER ENLOW  
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It’s a safety issue.

That’s according to Granbury school officials who aren’t convinced that seat belts offer better protection for students riding school buses.

What if the bus plunges into the lake or there’s a fire on the bus? Could students, especially younger ones, unbuckle and escape?

Then there’s the cost – an estimated \$1 million to install seat belts in all of the GISD buses.

The state is requiring that all new school buses have seat belts, unless the school board opts out in a public meeting, which is what trustees did

Monday night.

### TAXES

The board dropped the tax rate 4 cents, to \$1.21 per \$100 valuation.

### DEMOLITION

Demolition of the old high school on West Bridge Street is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 10.

### AFTER SCHOOL

Board member Rhonda Rezsofi wants the school to reconsider a stronger academic curriculum for the after-school program. Proponents of the current program say students need the time to “unwind” after the school day.

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# Teen's love for roller coasters overrides fear

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A one-minute ride Emily Stolka thought she would be too scared to take changed her life.

That thrilling ride on the Iron Shark roller coaster at Pleasure Pier in Galveston in 2016 both scared and inspired the 15-year-old Granbury homeschooler, Emily said.

"You go up sitting on your back," she said, referring to the 100-foot vertical lift before the huge drop. "I didn't think I was going to get on it, that it would be too scary."

Now, her family plans their family vacations around the highest and fastest roller coasters, and Emily is planning to build higher and faster coasters as a career.

The major snag in all this? Emily claims to be afraid of heights.

Heights other than roller coasters, that is.

She has been a fan of tall and fast water slides before, but that was nothing compared to the passion for roller coasters that takes the mother and daughter pair to Six Flags almost every week now, said her mom, Kristi Stolka.

Now, Emily says she spends her free time researching roller coasters around the world, looking for something higher, faster and more intense.

Their family vacation this year was a trip to Kings Island in Mason, Ohio for several world record holding rides, she said.

They have also visited Cedar Point in Ohio, the only amusement park in the world with five roller coasters taller than 200 feet.

Her bucket list of rides includes:

- 1) Insano water slide at Beach Park in Brazil, a 135-foot-tall water slide that reaches 65 miles per hour,
- 2) Kingda Ka roller coaster at Six Flags Great Adventure



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**THRILL RIDE:** Since her first terrifying experience on a roller coaster, 15-year-old Granbury homeschooler Emily Stolka has been chasing taller and faster rides, even though she is afraid of heights.

in Jackson, New Jersey, the world's tallest and second fastest roller coaster, and 3) the Steel Dragon 2000 in Japan that holds the record for the longest track length.

Roller coasters have also taken over her long-range plans. Emily says she plans to study to become a design engineer and continue to push the limits of how fast and how high roller coasters can go.

"She would be good at it, as much as she pays attention to details," Kristi said. "She studies them and knows how they feel, and if it feels odd, she won't ride it."

Emily said at every new park, she goes for the tallest and fastest ride first.

"I still get scared. That is what's fun," she said. "I never look down."

Because, remember, she is afraid of heights.

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## CRIME BLOTTER BOND SCAM CALLS POPPING UP ACROSS HOOD COUNT

Last week the Hood County Sheriff's Office Deputies took 11 different reports on a "jail scam," said Public Information Officer Lt. Johnny Rose.

The caller pretended to be the bondsman that just bonded the person out of jail and was asking for more money, according to Rose.

All of those called were asked to go to a local store and buy gift cards or to wire money so they can stay out of jail, Rose said.

Most victims became suspicious and didn't send any money; other weren't so lucky and fell for the scam, he said.

Several people also reported another scam last week, Rose said.

In these cases, the victim received a call from the suspect who claimed he was an officer of the law, Rose said. During the call, the suspect became verbally abusive and made threats to the caller, according to Rose.

Anyone who receives or falls prey to one of these scams is urged to report the incident to law enforcement.

## CRIME OF THE WEEK

Hood County Crime Stoppers and the Hood County Sheriff's Office are looking for leads in a home burglary.

On July 25, an unknown suspect entered a home in the 1100 block of Hidden Cove Drive, according to the Crime Stoppers report.

The suspect stole personal items from the home as well as electronics and alcoholic beverages.

To make an anonymous tip, call 817-573-8477 or go online to [www.hoodcountycrimestoppers.com](http://www.hoodcountycrimestoppers.com).

Upon arrest and indictment, tipsters could receive up to a \$1,000 reward.



**DISPLACED BY FIRE:** A man and a woman lost their home and two pets in a mobile home fire on Friday

night. Firefighter returned to the scene on Saturday to put out a brief flare-up.

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# Fire displaces two late Friday

Two people are without a home after their mobile home burned Friday.

At 9:01 p.m. Friday, firefighters responded to blaze in the 300 block of Siesta Court, in the Mesa Grande development, north of Granbury, Hood County Fire Marshal Ray Wilson said.

"The residents, an adult male and an adult female, were not

home at the time of the fire but arrived while firefighters were on scene," Wilson said.

Two pets died, he said. "The home was a total loss, and the American Red Cross was called to assist the property owners," Wilson said.

Crews left the fire at about midnight on Friday but had to return briefly on Saturday to quench a flare-up.

"The cause of the fire is undetermined at this time," Wilson said.

Granbury police officers were the first on the scene, he said.

Volunteer firefighters from Granbury, North Hood County and Station 70 extinguished the fire while the Tolar Fire Department provided additional manpower, Wilson said.

# Alcohol sting nets five store clerks

Five Hood County store clerks have been arrested for selling alcohol to minors.

That is less than half of the number arrested in a similar sting operation in March, said Hood County Sheriff Roger Deeds.

"I'm glad to see the numbers go down compared to the last

time," Deeds said. "It appears the alcohol stings are working."

On Saturday, the Hood County Sheriff's Office and the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission conducted the sting in Hood County, said Sheriff's Office Public Information Officer Lt. Johnny Rose.

Underage minors were sent into 52 stores with their real underage Texas Identification Card or Texas Driver's License and attempted to buy alcohol, he said.

Five clerks were arrested and charged with sale of alcohol to a minor, a class A misdemeanor with a bond of \$3,000.

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# The River

## 'They think they know' Unseen poverty festers in Hood County

BY CHRISTINE DORAN  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Golfers swing pricey clubs from pristine fairways throughout the county, in upscale, gated communities.

The houses contained in the subdivisions wear well-groomed yards.

The landscaping alone is likely worth more than some Hood County residents' entire homes - a drive down a side road brings visitors to less prosperous environments.

Areas like Brazos River Acres, Oak Trail Shores, Sandy Beach and Rolling Hills Shores sit on the sidelines of Hood County. Their names spark vague familiarity with longtime residents.

But residents are largely unaware of the extent to which poverty plagues Hood County, according to Dusti Scovel, the executive director of Mission Granbury, an organization that provides help to low-income families.



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### HIDDEN WITHIN

In most counties, poverty can be seen from the main roads; that's not the case in Hood County, she said.

"It's so much more prevalent than I thought - you know, poverty. In much larger cities, I would expect that much more than in Granbury. There is a lot more poverty than people realize ... everybody assumes that it's just all fine and dandy."

However, everything is far from "fine and dandy" in Hood County.

"The demographics in Hood County are odd," Scovel said. "I've been doing this 25 years, and I've never seen demographics quite like Hood County, because there's this giant gap between the wealthy and those who are poor."

Those who are poor are off the beaten track - unseen and often unheard from.

As a result, many wealthier residents of Granbury and Hood County don't know how much need there is, according

**A LONG JOURNEY:** Many people in Hood County struggle with poverty. Some residents of Brazos River Acres, a subdivision in Hood County, have

to walk over 10 miles to town if they can't hitch a ride. One volunteer said she was surprised to discover that a Brazos River Acres man did not

to Scovel.

"I think that they think they know. They know those communities exist, but if you've never driven through there, you don't really understand the extent of it," Scovel said. "I've driven through a couple of those areas, and I was shocked. The condition of some of the places where people were living ... it's sad to think that people actually - that's their shelter and that's where they go, you know?"

But as most residents live their lives, separate from those in need, the poor struggle to make it through each day without the basic necessities.

"It's not that I think people are afraid to know. I just think they're so busy - we're a prosperous community, and people are really busy, and they really are reaching out to help. They just don't realize how much help we need," Scovel explained.

"I tell people all the time about that population here, and the problem is they don't see poverty at eye level. 'Cause it's not at their eye level. You have to go there, and who's gonna go there on purpose?"

"You're gonna give to (an organization) so somebody else can go look at it, and you want to be able to help, but you don't have to see it, you know, 'cause that's too much. It's like how we turn the channel when Sarah McLachlan starts singing and the puppies are on the (screen) - and you're like, 'Oh, send a check but don't make me watch it, 'cause it just breaks my heart.' But you know, it is real, and people live that every day."

### NOT FAR FROM HOME

Additionally, many Hood County residents don't realize how close the poverty is to them, she said.

"They think it's just confined to those (low-income) neighborhoods. We have people coming in here for help that are from, probably, neighborhoods that they live near. People are struggling more than is on the surface."

The employees and volunteers at Mission Granbury struggle daily with the things they see, according to Scovel.

"It hurts your heart, because you sit down to eat, and you have a refrigerator full of stuff to pick from, and you know that you sent them home with a bag that has - they could have spaghetti or green beans, and they probably have to pick, 'cause they've got more than one meal," Scovel said.

"I have a 17-year-old grandson, and when he eats at my house, I bake a whole extra pizza, because he can eat a whole pizza ... These people

come in with teenagers, and we send them home with more than one bag, but they may have two packages of spaghetti, and they're gonna have spaghetti and corn and chicken thighs ... they're looking at how they're gonna stretch that - how they're gonna make that last."

The families she sees daily stick in her head at the end of the day, she said.

"We are here every day; we see people, we give them food, and help with their utilities to help them get back on their feet ... and then you go home at night, your house is cool, you get something to eat, sit down and watch TV, and you get to bed. And it's 30 degrees outside, and you're thinking about that person (living in poverty), and you feel, like - it's like, you're still grateful, but almost guilty. It's

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**Joseph's Locker**  
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**Lakeside Baptist Church, Loaves and Fishes**  
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**People Helping People**  
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## Help wanted

## Nonprofits urge residents to help fight poverty

BY CHRISTINE DORAN  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Homeless live throughout Hood County, in cars, tents or no shelter at all.

They set up camp in parks, or anywhere near water, such as the Brazos River.

The homeless seek help from local organizations, such as Mission Granbury and Brazos River Food Bank, depending on them for food and other services.

The volunteers at Brazos River Food Bank see homeless regularly. The homeless people in Hood County are of any age, from families with minors to senior citizens, according to Dusti Scovel, the executive director of Mission Granbury.

Throughout Hood County, there is dire need, and nonprofits tackle the issues daily - but it's not enough.

The local nonprofits are struggling to meet the needs of the impoverished in Hood County. They urge those in the community to help.

The issues for those struggling from poverty in Hood County range from daunting issues that require a great deal of manpower, such as health care, transportation and housing, to issues such as drinkable water and sanitation.

"We're having all kinds of conversations about what we



CHRISTINE DORAN

**NOT SO REFRESHING:** Brazos River Acres, a subdivision in southern Hood County, has many residents who lack running water. Some bathe in the river, and some residents believe that the river may provide drinking water for other residents of the subdivision.

can do to provide more, we just haven't - it's right at that beginning stage where we're trying to ask, 'What can we do to maximize the help we provide?'" Scovel said.

### HOUSING

"We have to figure out something for affordable housing," Scovel said.

There are two locations in Hood County that offer low-income housing or housing on a sliding fee scale.

Both have long waitlists.

The addition of low-fee apartments would enable many who struggle financially to break out of their cycle of poverty, according to Scovel.

### HEALTH CARE

There is one free clinic in Hood County: Ruth's Place. Because it is run by volunteers, the waitlist is long.

"If you need an appointment at Ruth's Place, it does take a long time to get in. And they will tell you that. We had a veteran who needed dental care and it was like a month and a half out before we could get him seen, and he had a toothache," Scovel said.

"A month and a half out is a long time. But they're volunteers. And most of them have a practice that they're trying to manage at the same time."

But a lack of health care isn't unique, according to Scovel.

"I don't think our lack of medical care here is any different than it would be in any other community. Every community is going to have that issue. We have a serious, serious lack of affordable health care in the whole country. But in Granbury everybody knows our hospital is really over - they're high priced. It's high priced care, and most of us can't afford it."

Many in Hood County are uninsured, according to Scovel. One type of medical clinic

could help, however.

"It's what they call an FQHC (Federally Qualified Health Center), which Granbury desperately needs ... They are subsidized by the government, and they provide medical care on a sliding fee scale. We need a program like that in Granbury. But that's a whole different thing ... The government says, 'If we're gonna pay for this clinic, we expect you to have at least some day care or within 24 hours. We don't want you putting people out.'"

Scovel was the CEO of an FQHC in Eastern New Mexico, she said.

"So I know how they work, and I know that it would be ideal here, because we have so many people that don't have health insurance, and they don't have access to health insurance - they don't have access to health care, then. Their health care is just kinda winging it."

While some may have Medicaid, most don't qualify, she said.

"It's hard to meet the criteria. Most adults don't meet it, so then you just have nothing. If you're a pregnant mom you can get on Medicaid. That's a no-brainer. Children can typically get on CHIPS, or a Medicaid program of some kind. But it's hard, as an adult, to qualify for Medicaid. Just because you're low income doesn't mean you qualify for Medicaid."

### RUNNING WATER

For many in Hood County, access to clean water to bathe in and drink is limited.

"I'm not sure that anyone has ever shared with me how they get water," Scovel said. "I think we all just assume that they get water from the river or the lake, or, I mean, that they've found an outlet for going and filling up some kind of vessels and then possibly boiling it at home ... And I'm sure that the people we put in hotels are filling up a ton of milk jugs of water, or whatever they can find, before they leave, just so they have some to make it through."

Residents of Brazos River Acres have reported bathing in the river, and some have presumed that others may drink from it, for lack of access to clean drinking water.

"I would have to go take a bath after getting in the river," Scovel said. "I can't imagine that being your source of bathing."

Giving water to those in need in Hood County would help immensely, Scovel said.

"Having water's such a sensitive issue everywhere, but having clean drinking water would make all the difference for a lot of people ... And just the addition of a bathhouse could make all kinds of difference, health-wise."

"Even if you started with a spigot, that would make all kinds of difference for them."

Some residents' homes haven't had running water in years, according to Scovel.

"We had a man here last year that inherited a house from his dad over on Mitchell Bend. We called to get his water turned on, and there had not been water in that house in 11 years."

His father had recently died, leaving the house to him.

Mission Granbury had his water turned back on, after jumping through some hoops, Scovel said.

"He was so shocked that he could get water in that house. He'd never known it to have water. He hadn't lived there very long, but he grew up living there. He spent years there, and never had water."

Many take water for granted, never expecting others to go without.

"We were remodeling a house when my kids were little, and they just thought all you did was stick a faucet on something and water came out. And that's all we ever know. It's an expectation we have that it's not something people have to go without. But they do."

Living without water or electricity, many are in disaster-like conditions every day.

"We talk about our people who've had a flood and they've been without power and lights for 48 hours, and some of these

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# The River



**LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS:** The Lighthouse Church was established by and for Brazos River Acres residents. The church dispersed a year ago when its founder died. Many BRA residents expressed sadness at its closing.

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## The bright side of darkness

BY CHRISTINE DORAN  
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While the people of Brazos River Acres (BRA) struggle with poverty, they have a unique community, according to Terry McNew, the director at the Brazos River Food Bank, and volunteers there who interact from the people in BRA frequently.

Many of them have a strong Christian faith, according to McNew.

"Tuesday I had three back-to-back prayer requests," she said. "One of them - she kinda whispered to me that her granddaughter had tried to commit suicide and wanted prayers for her. And then one man said ... his sister had come in to get her food and was in pain, and he wanted me to pray for her because of her ailments. And then another lady wanted me to keep praying because things were working out for her. You know, I mean, it's just, like, back to back."

The BRA residents began a church, "the Lighthouse," in the subdivision, which closed a year ago when its founder died.

"We had the Lighthouse down at the river," said Evelyn Hines, a resident of River Country Acres, just outside of BRA. "We thought we was gonna run the devil out - all the drugs and alcohol."

The church's founder, 'Sister Pat,' as they called her, died a year ago, and the church dispersed.

It was a non-conventional place, where the residents were free to come as they were - it was judgement-free, according to Hines.

"There's been a few people



that come to church on Sundays or Wednesdays drunk or high," she said.

The church members pitched in together for light bills, and they had a donation area where people could bring things for their neighbors in need.

"I really enjoyed it. I miss it," Hines said.

But the spirituality of the residents of BRA isn't their only strong quality.

### CARE AND KINDNESS

Although their lives are often riddled with turmoil, they remain positive and kind, according to McNew.

"I am just amazed at the quality of perseverance and a smile on their faces - they're really friendly to us. They're grateful for things," she said.

Their community is unlike most, according to the volunteers.

"Many of us don't know our

neighbors anymore, and that's sad, or we just have a passing acquaintance. But they really - they're really close," McNew said. "They really do watch each other's back. They really seem to care about each other and the neighborhood. And it's a really tight-knit neighborhood, that I see."

Some residents of BRA lack utilities, or are sometimes unable to pay their utility bill, but find help from neighbors, according to McNew.

"They are thrilled when something good happens to each other, they are concerned when someone's sick, and, I mean, they know - they've got their finger on the pulse. They know exactly what's going on," she said.

Volunteers at the food bank have noticed clients grabbing food to give to a neighbor who they know needs it. They're the first to help anyone they know

in need, according to McNew.

Some have taken in kids when they knew their parents were absent.

Over the years, BRA residents have volunteered at the food bank, giving back whenever possible, McNew said.

"They share, and they care. They really do. It's not just a passing thing. They're very concerned about each other."

Several BRA residents also noted that they knew their neighbors would take care of them whenever possible.

Those in need, even outside of BRA, look out for others, according to Dusti Scovel, the executive director for Mission Granbury.

"They're very caring," she said. "My dad told me many years ago that the wealthiest a person feels is when he has enough to give to somebody else ... We see (clients) in the resale shop, and they're not related, they don't really know each other - they're just brought together by this commonality of socioeconomic (status) - so in the resale shop they'll be shopping for each other, like, 'This would look so cute on you,' kind of thing."

But they'll do more than compliment one another - when a person can't quite pay for everything at the register, another client will cover their tab with the gift card they were given from Mission Granbury.

"They just share. I think they're just compassionate people," Scovel said.

"I think we're all human beings. The core of all of us is humanity. It just gets covered up by a lot of things."

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like, "What can I do so that I can sleep better, knowing that?"

Mission Granbury, in this year alone, has served 4,426 residents with shelter, food, clothing, rental assistance, medications and other forms of assistance.

Of those people, 1,971 were children under 18. Fifty-two people reported as homeless, 144 were at risk of homelessness and 46 reported "other housing." Seventy-seven were veterans.

In June alone, Mission Granbury served 308 registrants - meaning that 308 people filled out forms for help, but this doesn't count their family members. The average members per household was 2.94. Multiplying these numbers indicates how many people were served, Scovel explained.

"I don't know if (residents of Hood County) will listen to me, but they definitely need to

listen to the statistics. And the statistics tell us that when we're serving that many people in a month, you know, with food and utility support and rent support - these are people that we have proven are living in poverty - you know, it's a pretty significant amount. And we're just - we have a lot of programs, but there are a lot of other programs in town that are helping as well ... So our numbers are just our numbers. If we added those to the others, it'd be pretty astounding, I think."

### SURPRISING SIGHTS

Many are surprised at the need in the county, Scovel said.

"When we give people tours, and they find out how many people we feed a week, they're usually really surprised that there are that many people that need food," Scovel said.

Hood County has 11 food banks, she said. "And we all are giving food out."

"I think it sounds like there's a lot of services in this community to most folks, and I agree we do have a lot," Scovel said.

"I do think we have a lot of food pantries. But I don't think we have too many. If we had too many, we would have food overstocked, and we don't," she said.

The amount of need outweighs the services, she said.

"Most people in this community have never driven through the poorest of our neighborhoods. Because as soon as they found themselves a block into it, they would know they were on the wrong road and turn around."

"So they don't know it, and I think that's where the chasm is ... They think that there is an overabundance of services because they never visit the poverty side of it."

Despite the lack of awareness, the community is unusually generous, she said.



Scovel

But the generosity in Hood County is unique.

"I do think we have an over-the-top amount of generosity in this community. I really have never

seen people as willing to give to help the underprivileged as I see here," she said.

But the need is still overwhelming.

From women standing around at gas stations to find someone who will give them a place to stay, to families packed into cars for lack of a home, Hood County has many extreme cases of poverty, according to local volunteers.

"And so it hurts your heart. You want to help them, but it just hurts. I think that's what stops people from seeing the poverty," Scovel said. "It's really raw when you get there."

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-Dusti Scovel, Mission Granbury Executive Director

### NOT GETTING BETTER

As the population of Hood County has increased, so has poverty.

"We see an increase in certain times of the year ordinarily, but I can tell you that our shelter population, which typically averaged about 17 residents a night - I just pulled a report that says it's now 21 people per night," Scovel said. "So we have, more than three times in the past

few months, been at capacity out there, meaning we had anywhere from 24 to 26 people there. And we don't get more staff - we just have to hustle. So I do see a greater need."

Specifically, she sees more people in poverty, despite working, she said.

"We see more people that are struggling to get by even though they're working, just because the cost of living is getting 'em," she said.

One day, Scovel and her husband were driving through Granbury, looking for an RV park, and took a wrong turn. The area was destitute.

"It was jaw-dropping poverty ... They were like 10 lean-tos that had a couple other walls leaning up against them. Sometimes it was a tarp or a blanket to cover up a hole."

She and her husband were surprised and horrified at what they saw. In an email, Scovel told the story from her husband's perspective.

"He recalled that when we drove through that very rundown neighborhood ... he was trying not to slow the car down and stare - because he felt a need to be respectful," she said. "Maybe that's what stops some people from getting eye level with poverty - sort of a side effect of compassion and good upbringing that silently reminds us not to stare and risk embarrassing a fellow human being - so we drive by and try not look as we drive away."

"Nothing changes."

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people live that way all the time, 24/7, and that's just their - that's how they live."

### SURVEY FUNDING

Scovel hopes to have a survey funded that will ask those in need in Hood County what they believe are the biggest needs.

"Wouldn't it be amazing if, from that kind of feedback, we could take a look at trying to find a source of revenue, whether it's a grant or just a campaign, to build a bathhouse - just a bathhouse, like in an RV park?" Scovel said.

Scovel hopes to see wide-spread change, she said.

"You can't do that by everybody sitting in their little ivory tower saying 'Well my idea is we spend (money) this way.' If everybody does that, and nobody asks the people what they really need, we're all just kinda making high-and-mighty decisions, without any real meat to go with."

Ideally, the survey will be a combined effort of local nonprofits, she said.

"If we did design a survey that really asked the people that need help, that would be an excellent place to start - with each of the directors of nonprofits getting together and writing the survey."

"If we can actually see the numbers from the people themselves, and they can actually tell us that that's what they've identified, that really helps to support any efforts we make."

### VOLUNTEER

"When people read about it and their thought is, 'Oh I read about these nonprofits, and they're doing great work. There's plenty of boots on the ground,' - it's the same boots. You've got the same people in each area that are showing up every day or every week to do that, and they could always use more people."

The poverty isn't going away, she said.

"The problem is not diminishing. As the community grows, the problem is growing with it. We have to be able to rise up to

meet the increase in needs. And so that means the community has to be more aware. Or it will encroach upon the parts of our county that show."

Volunteers are needed at Mission Granbury, according to Scovel.

"We always can use volunteers in every capacity. Our greatest need is more child advocate volunteers in our CASA department. And that takes quite a bit of commitment, so people need to be prepared for that."

### DONATE

"Probably the best way to help is to either participate in various drives, you know, that are held at their church - or just giving," Scovel said.

But before donating, it is important to ask what is needed, Scovel said.

"People always think they know what we need. 'It's cold, so they must need coats,' or, 'It's cold so they must need socks.' Call whoever you're going to help - if you want to help Ruth's

Place ... call the charity you want to help and ask them what they need.

"Sometimes we have a huge need for one thing - fruit.

Canned fruit - there are certain times of the year when we really need canned fruit, particularly for homeless people who get nothing but beans and corn, or Beane Weenees. And we just want to try to make it healthy for them. So it's not that hard, if you're gonna have a drive, to let us give you the ideas about what we need."

Many times, Mission Granbury has had groups donate things that aren't needed, she explained.

"One church group - they were gonna have a socks and underwear drive, or blankets - we get so many blankets. What we really needed was can openers. We have these quirky little needs. But to go out and buy 50 can openers would be expensive."

Another need that many don't think about is full-sized toiletries, she said. Many people

donate mini toiletries, but those who are struggling financially need more than one mini shampoo, she explained.

"That's one time to wash your hair, so think about getting a full size. When you buy your own, buy an extra. Put it in a box, and at the end of the month, bring a box ... Shampoo, conditioner, mouthwash, toothbrush, toothpaste, and deodorant - that's a good hygiene box. So put one together."

Just having the essentials makes a difference for those in need, she said.

"It's amazing how different that makes somebody feel. They feel rich. They've got full-sized shampoo and conditioner. And just to have conditioner - ladies at the shelter just really want conditioner."

Scovel urges people to consider less obvious necessities.

"Women of color use a different kind of shampoo and hair products ... Whatever you would do for your own use, if your ethnicity requires that you do something special, or you

have to use a special shampoo, we probably have someone who could use that same thing."

### IS IT HOPELESS?

Overall, the greatest need is a community that's more involved in helping those in need, according to Scovel.

"We get complacent," she said. "We're content sending out \$25 a month, and it's all good. You just keep going. But when you see it, then it bugs you."

If the community focuses on the needs, contributing all they can, there can be change, she said.

"It's a Catch-22 in a lot of ways, but I don't think it's unsolvable. I just think it takes a refocusing to a certain degree, where we're really serious about making an impact, and not just about putting a Band Aid on something. We have to all be serious about changing it - changing the current situation."

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### Little big fan

Though Jaxon Holly was among the youngest in attendance for Saturday's team picture day in the Pirate Pavilion, the 2-year-old is known as a huge Granbury

Pirate football fan. Jaxon strikes a pose with GHS cheerleaders Kayman Legand (left) and Baylee Twigg.

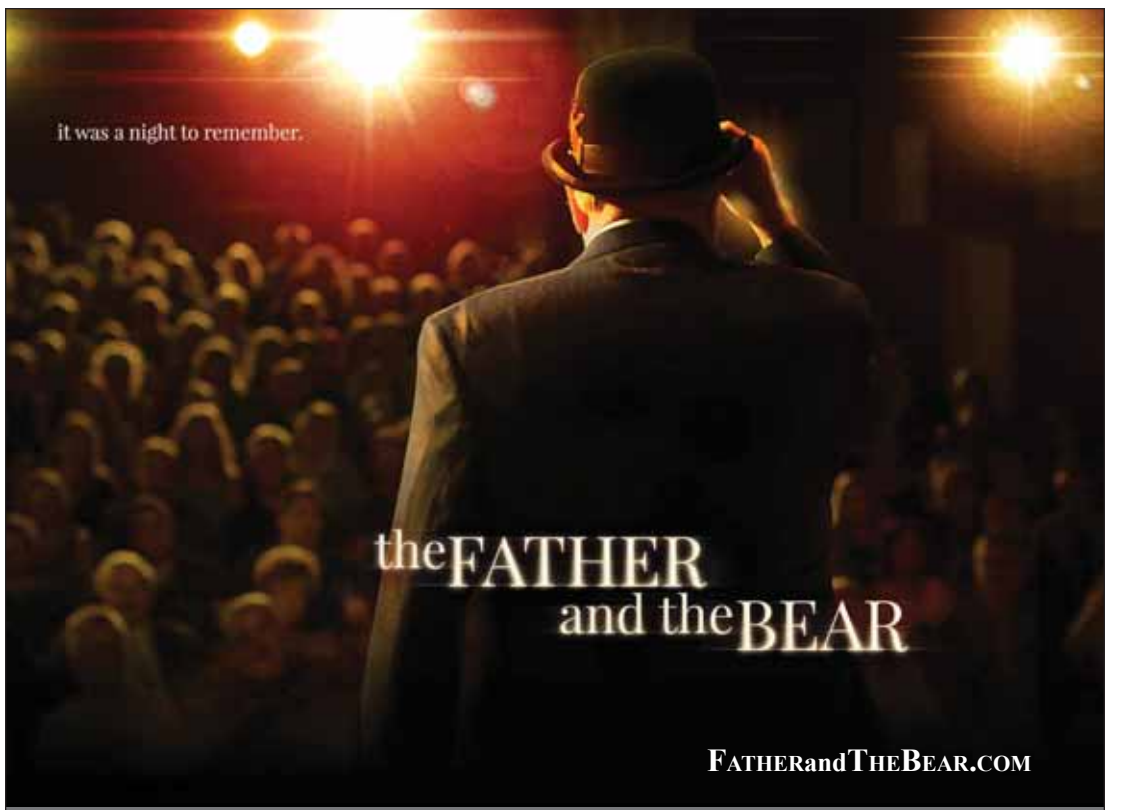


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### Drawing Pirate pride

Six-year-old Tatum Hopkins took a creative approach with a drawing, showing her team spirit Saturday afternoon as the Granbury Pirate football team picture

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## Lillian A. Walton

Lillian A. Walton was born on August 6, 1917 in Winthrop, Iowa. On August 14, 2017, Lillian passed peacefully at the home of her granddaughter in Granbury, Texas.

Lillian graduated nursing school as a registered nurse and worked at Grant Hospital in Chicago where she met her future husband Dr. Jack Raymond Walton. The two moved back to Dr. Walton's hometown of Midland, Texas and opened a medical practice where Lillian served as his RN for many years. Lillian had one child, Jacqueline W. Allen.

Lillian was known by many to be an amazing cook and baker. There wasn't a kitchen gadget that she did not seem to have. She remained in Midland at her home still cooking up to her 99th year.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Theresa Clark, husband Dr. Jack Raymond Walton, her siblings Lucille Gremmels and Laverne Clark, her daughter Jacqueline W. Allen and son-in-law C. Ray Allen. She is survived by her only grandchild Stacy Lillian Jewett, her husband Matthew Jewett and two great grandsons Jack Jewett and Raymond Jewett.

A private memorial service will be held at a later time in Midland, Texas. In lieu of flowers, the family asks memorials be made to Midland College Foundation, Nursing Program Scholarships, 3600 North Garfield Street, Midland, Texas 79705 or by phone 432-685-4531.

Wiley Funeral Home made arrangements.

## Billie Dean Branum

Billie Dean Branum, 86, formerly of Granbury, went to her Heavenly home on Friday, August 18, 2017. Graveside service: 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, 2017 at Holly Hills Memorial Park, Granbury, Texas. Visitation: 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at Wiley Funeral Home, Granbury.



Billie was born in Springfield, Ark. on Nov. 18, 1930 to William and Martha Pearson Powell. She married James Edward Branum on Nov. 22, 1950 in Pulaski Co., Ark. She was a member of the West Rock Baptist Church of Little Rock, Ark. Billie had a strong faith and taught Sunday school for several years. After God, family was the most important thing to her. She loved her family especially her great grandchildren and was always happy to see the great greats.

She enjoyed working in her flower and vegetable garden, fishing, sewing, making sweet tea and cooking chocolate pies and chocolate gravy. Billie was predeceased by her husband, James Edward Branum; son, Jimmy Lee Branum; parents; three sisters and four brothers.

Survivors: William Fleming (Sharon), Ronnie Fleming, Deborah Land (Albert); grandchildren, Melissa Fleming, Julie Jones, Camille Strakaluse, Craig Wootton, Shawn Fleming, Joe Cook, Farin Milligan, Trisha Winn, Justain Branum and Nikki Tidwell; 20 great grandchildren and three great great grandchildren.

Arrangements by Wiley Funeral Home.

## Oleta Grossman

Oleta Mae Grossman, 86, a previous resident of Granbury, Texas passed away in Glen Rose on Thursday, August 17, 2017.

Service: 10:30 AM, Tuesday, August 22, 2017, at Wiley Funeral Home Chapel in Granbury.

Interment: Holly Hills Memorial Park, Visitation: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM, Sunday, August 20, 2017.

Oleta was born in Happy, Texas on June 16, 1931 to Larkie and Ruby Dennis Webb. Oleta loved cooking and was wonderful at it. Her favorite things to do were playing bridge, traveling anywhere and shopping for clothes. She loved holidays and spending time with her family. She always made every holiday special.

Oleta is preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Mack and Rufus Webb.

Survivors: Son, Dennis Grossman, and wife, Patsy of Stephenville, daughter, Sharon Brown, and husband, David of Wichita Falls, daughter, Mary Thomas, and husband, Brian of Tolar, and son, Bobby Grossman and wife, Mary Kate of Ac-ton; grandchildren: Shannon Grossman, Jeremy Grossman and wife, Shelly, Robbie Brackeen and husband, Austin, Aundi Allen and husband, Bryson, Abby Brown, Mallory Thomas and fiancé, Anthony Day, Morgan Thomas, Marlee Thomas, Molly Grossman and Jackson Grossman, seven great grandchildren, brother, Lee Webb and sister-in-law, Gloria, nieces, nephews and extended family.

Arrangements were by Wiley Funeral Home.

## Beverly Ann Minor Brabb

Beverly Ann Minor Brabb, 85, passed away Saturday, Aug. 19, 2017 in Granbury. Private family services. Memorials may be made to the Firelands Historical Society.

Beverly was born Sept. 16, 1931 in Carrollton,

Missouri to Roland and Emma Allen Minor. She was involved in the musical arts throughout her life playing piano and organ. She was a witty, well-read intelligent woman. She worked as a laboratory technician in her early years. She had an interest in archaeology, anthropology and geology.

She was an early advocate of women's issues including involvement with the Girls Scouts of America. She was one of the founders of The Norwalk Chamber Concert Music Series.

Beverly was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Manley Brabb who passed away in 1994; her parents; three sisters and a brother.

Survivors: Son, Marc A. Brabb; daughter, Dr. Betsy Brabb and husband, Dr. Tyrus Frerking; son, Manley J. Brabb "Jeff"; grandchildren, Dr. Andrew A. Frerking and Elisa, Kevin P. Frerking and Muna; great granddaughter, Celine Frerking; four nephews; several great nieces and great nephews. Wiley Funeral Home made arrangements.

## Nancy Lee Wolf

Nancy Lee Wolf, Granbury, TX, passed away, August 20, 2017 at the Senior Care Harbor Lakes nursing home.

As per Ms. Wolf's wishes, no services will be held and her cremains will be spread in the Monterey Bay, California.

Nancy Lee Wolf was born to Earl and Alma Wolf in Lansford, ND on March 11, 1941. She graduated from Lansford High School in 1959 and earned a B.S. in Home Economics and Education from North Dakota State University in 1963. She worked as a Home Economics teacher and Faculty Yearbook and School Newspaper Advisor in several school districts in North Dakota, California and Colorado before her retirement and move to Granbury.



She was well known throughout the US for her wonderful Wire Fox Terriers which she bred and showed under the Wyler kennel name. Ms. Wolf was a member of the American Kennel Club, the American Fox Terrier Club, the Wire Fox Terrier Club of Central States and the Lone Star Fox Terrier Club as well as several all breed kennel clubs in the areas where she taught and lived. She was a mentor to many new comers to dog shows as well as aspiring and seasoned judges. Ms. Wolf was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Granbury where she served as choir director for several years. She was also an avid scrapbooker.

Ms. Wolf was preceded in death by her parents, a bother Stewart and a brother Craig. Donations may be made in Ms. Wolf's name to the American Cancer Society.

## Shirlene Viola Campbell Gore

Shirlene Viola Gore, 85, born in Toledo, Ohio, and long time resident of Granbury, Texas, went to be with her precious Lord on August 20, 2017. A place she longed to be... in the presence of Jesus and His abounding love. A love she so often and boldly shared with everyone. Her life's desire and passion was for everyone to know the depth of His love and the freedom it brings. "Knowing" it and "Living" it was a battle she fought fiercely... and certainly was the victor at many times throughout her life.

And most significantly and beautifully in her last days! She was exceptionally talented and devoted to hand making quilts, cross-stitched art, and so many other beautiful things that will be cherished for generations to come! She is survived by beloved daughters: Debbie Harwell and husband, Joel; Patty Trammell and husband, Dee; Dayla Wight and husband, Doug; daughter-in-law Joyce Santiago.

Nieces: Karen Scribner and Kathleen Day. Grandchildren: Michael Carey and wife Mia; Melissa Houston and husband John; Charity Allen-Do and husband Johnny; Shaniel Brown; Alicia Olsberg and husband Shawn; Jennifer Sistrunk and husband Shannon; Christian Salch; Tabitha Hall and husband Jimmy; Josiah Boyer and Heather; Tera Rhoades; Alecia Pratt and husband Brad; Brandon Richardson; Akela Richardson and Michael; Amber Richardson and Cody Campbell. She is also survived by 31 great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Shelley Day and Anna Day; husband, Chester Campbell; sister, Lillian Day; and son, Chester Mack Campbell.

Services will be held at Martin's Funeral home. For date and time call: 817-573-1154.

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- \_\_\_ River is TX-OK border
- TXism: "can't make a silk purse \_\_\_ ear"
- "Anybody Goin' to San Antone" (song)
- TXism: "\_\_\_ pencil to it" (tally)
- romp and cavort
- short rope for rodeo calf roping: "\_\_\_ string"
- TX "ZZ Top," e.g. Aphrodite, Apollo, and Ares, e.g.
- TXism: "\_\_\_ hill for a stepper" (simple)
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- attempt
- historic "Fort Worth Stock \_\_\_"
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- TX Jay \_\_\_ Allen wrote screenplay for "Cabaret"
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## Meet the Pirates

The Granbury Pirate varsity football team, coaches and cheerleaders pose for Picture Day on Saturday. Granbury's season begins on Thursday, Aug. 31 against Western Hills in Fort Worth, after their tune-up against Stephenville on Friday in a scrimmage at Tarleton's Memorial Stadium.

31 against Western Hills in Fort Worth, after their tune-up against Stephenville on Friday in a scrimmage at Tarleton's Memorial Stadium.



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ELEVATE: Sophomore Payton Bell soars above the net to hit a ball against Richland during Granbury's opening match of the Granbury Classic Chevrolet Tournament.

Bell was named to the All-Tournament team for her stellar play over the weekend.

# Lady Pirates gain experience at Granbury tourney

BY GRANT MCGALLIARD  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

The Granbury Lady Pirates spent last weekend on home soil, competing in the Granbury Classic Chevrolet Volleyball Tournament.

The Lady Pirates went 4-5 over their nine games, with wins over Azle, Eules Trinity, the Granbury JV and Stephenville.

All of their games were competitive. Granbury was able to keep sets close and rally back from deficits when needed, but could never quite seem to climb over that final hill in the losses.

The Lady Pirates never lost a set by a deficit wider than 25-16, and forced several teams to an extra point.

Two Granbury players were named to the all-tournament team. Sophomore Payton Bell represented the varsity, while junior varsity player Valentina Crippa also earned the honor.

### OPENING GAME SETS TONE

A look at the Lady Pirates' tournament opener, against Richland on Tuesday, provides an example on how Granbury's weekend went.

### GRANBURY'S RESULTS FROM GRANBURY CLASSIC

**LOSS** vs. Richland 2-0

**WIN** vs. Azle 2-1

**LOSS** vs. Brownwood 2-0

**LOSS** vs. Birdville 2-1

**LOSS** vs. Sherman 2-0

**WIN** vs. Trinity 2-0

**WIN** vs. Granbury JV 2-0

**WIN** vs. Stephenville 2-0

**LOSS** vs. Bell 2-1

The Lady Pirates went down 0-3 immediately, then rallied to make it 4-4 with a great play by Macie Blohowiak. A bad serve then killed a bit of momentum and gave the ball back to Richland, who built a 13-8 lead before Granbury's Tammy Clark called timeout.

Out of the timeout, the Lady Pirates were rejuvenated, and immediately ripped off five straight points to force a tie at 13.

Richland called timeout, and the two teams held steady, swapping points until Yari Press tied it at 18 with a kill. Richland crept out to 21-19 and 23-21 leads, but Granbury fought back to tie each time.

Richland called another timeout, with a tie at 23, and proceeded to eke out the 26-24 set win.

The second set was more of

the same, a tight battle that never seemed like it was going to tip in any one team's favor. Richland led 16-10 at one point, but after a Granbury timeout, the Lady Pirates earned four points in a row to close the gap to two.

Some outstanding play by freshman Gracie Nichols helped Granbury force a tie at 22. Nichols partnered with senior Madison Scott had a big block at the net to make it 21-19, and then hit a beautiful dive-bombing ace to make it 22 all.

But again, the win just slipped away from Granbury. Richland won the final two points to take the set and the match 25-23.

Most of Granbury's games could've been one by either team. Last weekend, the balance just tipped towards the Lady Pirates' opponents more often than not.

### MOVING FORWARD

The Lady Pirates have shown that they're a talented team, and Tammy Clark has proven time and time again she's a talented coach.

But Granbury is young, with just two seniors on this roster, and as Clark said before the season, it will take a total team effort each game for the Lady Pirates to win.

Games like these in tournaments may wind up as losses on the stats sheet, but they're a good way to build that teamwork heading into the district games that will determine post-season play.

Granbury played last night against Trinity. They'll get one more shot at playing several games in a weekend when the Lady Pirates head to Leander on Thursday for their final tournament of the year.

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## Trash talk and time-wasting with fantasy football

It's rather unfortunate that two of my favorite hobbies are both things that I'm not all that good at and cost me a frustrating amount of money.

I'm speaking, of course, of golf and fantasy football. I've written at length about the former, but with the NFL season gearing up, it's time to talk about the latter.

(And yes, I know there's no greater malady in American society today than being forced to hear about another person's fantasy football team. I promise I won't do that.)

The NFL has many problems, chief among them being its inability to create a serious, effective and consistent punishment policy for those who commit domestic violence. I'm not nearly qualified to discuss that issue, so I'll leave it untouched for now.

But another main problem for the NFL is that the product on the field, especially in the regular season, has gotten downright boring in recent years. With college football, there's always a chance that Washington State and UCLA are doing something super weird at 9 p.m. or that Appalachian State is about to knock off Michigan.

In the NFL, upsets are rare and don't mean as much when they happen. And the style of play among the teams has become homogenous, with everyone committing to a "pro-style" offense that is designed for maximum efficiency and minimum entertainment.

Which is where fantasy football comes in, because there's nothing more exciting than having to endure merciless taunting from a friend after a missed 40-yard field goal on Monday night causes you to lose by half a point.

I have developed a love for players - hi, Keenan Allen - and a hatred for players - goodbye, Sammy Watkins - based on how they've helped or hindered me in fantasy football. In the throes of trash talk I've said things to dear, dear friends that would cause even the saltiest sailor to cover their ears and turn bright red.

It's important for me to pause for a moment here to note that, yes, I do realize how ridiculous all of this is and, yes, I know that the actual football players couldn't possibly care less about how their performance affects my fantasy team. That doesn't matter one bit.

### POINT FORWARD



Grant McGalliard  
Staff Writer

And the thing about it is, as I mentioned earlier - I'm not even that good at this stupid hobby of mine. I've finished in third place in three different leagues and second twice, but never once have I actually won a championship.

Instead, I typically pitch in the \$25 buy-in fee, have a great draft that gets me super jazzed up about the upcoming season, finish near the top of the pack, then flame out spectacularly in the playoffs. I think last season I might have cracked 80 points in my semifinal game, as all my players were either injured, benched, or tanking.

As always, the actual fantasy matchups are only part of the fun. The real joy lies in the banter, the cutting remarks in the league group text, the haughty "good game" sent to an opponent you just beat.

And other people's misfortunes are just as fun as your own successes, especially when you're in a league with friends. Take, for example, my friend Adam, who implored us to "at least make it hard for him" during the draft because he was so assured of his own team, and then proceeded to finish in dead last.

My 14-man league reunites this Saturday for our draft, which will be held in person for maximum potential for shenanigans. It will be the first time all 14 of us have been in a room together since at least January, thanks to graduation and study abroad and work, and so the electricity in the room will be even more palpable than normal.

We've had this date marked on our calendar for, no exaggeration, more than two months. We can't wait for it.

Fantasy football means absolutely nothing in the grand scheme of things, save maybe a nice stack of cash for a league champion. It's a hobby I'm not particularly good at and one that will take up hours - literally, hours - of my time once the season starts.

But hey, it's better than watching NFL football for the actual games.

# Lady Rattlers seek 'consistency' following Glen Rose Tourney

BY GRANT MCGALLIARD  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

The Tolar Lady Rattlers endured a gauntlet of tough teams last weekend at the Glen Rose Volleyball Tournament.

Tolar went 2-5 over the course of the weekend, with matchups against some of the best teams in the state.

The hosts, Glen Rose, were ranked No. 2 in the state in 4A volleyball by the Texas Girls Coaches Association this pre-season. The Lady Rattlers also played above their classification with a match against 5A Saginaw.

All of this is important for the development of the team, said head coach Scotty Miller.

"We need to play better teams all the time," Miller said. "Lots of our preseason matches up to this point have been against teams that the girls knew they could beat.

"We have always been good

### TOLAR'S RESULTS AT THE GLEN ROSE TOURNAMENT

**LOSS** vs. Glen Rose 2-0

**LOSS** vs. Springtown 2-0

**WIN** vs. Paradise 2-1

**LOSS** vs. Saginaw 2-0

**LOSS** vs. Early 2-0

**WIN** vs. Hamilton 2-0

**LOSS** vs. Henrietta 2-0

**LOSS** vs. Comanche 2-1

at winning the matches we know we can win, but we need to start the process of winning the matches we should win, and then transform into win-

ning the matches we have to do our best to win."

Through 18 matches, Tolar stands at 10-8 on the season. Miller says the team is still searching for an identity to hang their hat on for the rest of the year.

"Identity is up in the air right now," he said. "We are working hard to find the players that want to compete for every point, not just the points that matter to them."

### YOUTH INFUSION

That means putting stock in the youth on the team, if necessary.

"On Saturday in Glen Rose, I looked out there and witnessed five sophomores and one junior on the court for a good portion of those matches," Miller said.

Practice, too, has seen the youth dominate, including some non-varsity Lady Rattlers.

"I am pleased with the progress of our younger players," Miller said. "They understand that they have to go earn their spots."

"Up to this point some of the JV players are our best practice players. Avery McClain and Aubrey Sibley are two of them that I see committed to the cause."

Moving forward, Tolar has to maintain consistency and limit errors to compete against the likes of Peaster and Brock in district.

"Skills can always improve, but the desire to succeed has to burn," Miller said. "We give way too many points in errors, probably averaging somewhere around 14 per set.

"That's like starting every set down 0-14."

Tolar played Poolville at home Tuesday night, and will play in the Dublin Tournament beginning Thursday.

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# Granbury, Tolar face final tune-ups Friday

BY GRANT MCGALLIARD  
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Granbury and Tolar are both preparing for scrimmages this weekend.

The Pirates will travel to Stephenville on Friday to take on the Yellow Jackets in Tarleton's Memorial Stadium.

The varsity will take the field at 7 p.m. Freshman teams play at 5 p.m. while the junior varsity begins at 6.

This will be Granbury's first chance to get some hits in against players in different jerseys. The Pirates scrimmaged themselves last Saturday.

Their first official game will be Thursday, Aug. 31, against Western Hills in Fort Worth's Clark Stadium.

## RATTLERS LOOK TO BUILD OFF LAST WEEK

Tolar, meanwhile, will be playing their second scrimmage of the preseason on Friday. The Rattlers will host a three-team scrimmage against Millsap and Benbrook on Friday at 6 p.m.

Tolar scrimmaged Whitney on Aug. 18. Head coach Jeremy Mullins said he was excited by the "awesome" effort his players showed.

"The speed of the game took awhile to get caught up to," Mullins said, as his Tolar

squad is young. "This game was about finding out who can do things, and finding out what areas we need to get working on."

For the players, this was the first chance of the year to lay a hit on someone not wearing a Tolar jersey in practice.

"You get tired after a while of going after your brother on the other side of the line," Mullins said.

In the one live half Tolar and Whitney played, both teams went scoreless. Mullins said that the offense was moving the ball near the end of the half, while the defense only had a few errors.

"Defensively, we gave up some big plays, but that's stuff we can get fixed," Mullins said.

Standout players included Brian Morgan at quarterback, Mason King at linebacker and Jacob Sparks at running back.

While Mullins said he hopes to "compete" on Friday, the three-team scrimmage is more about identifying what he calls "bubble guys" who are on the verge of making varsity.

"We're going to throw them into the fire, have them run some with the first team," he said. "This game is about seeing what these guys can do."

The Rattlers' season opener is Friday, Sept. 1 at Hico.



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**SEEKING DAYLIGHT:** Granbury's Joshua Franklin tries to find space between his blockers to avoid a fellow Pirate trying to bring him down during Granbury's intra-squad scrimmage on Saturday. The Pirates will scrimmage Stephenville in Tarleton Memorial Stadium this Friday, the final tune-up before the season begins.

## Kid Scoop

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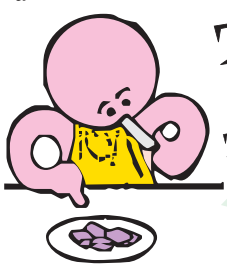
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## Gelett Burgess: The Nonsense Expert

Born January 30, 1866, Gelett Burgess is remembered as a nonsense expert. In fact, he may be one of your favorite authors, even though you have probably never heard of him.

He invented such great words as "blurb" and "goop."

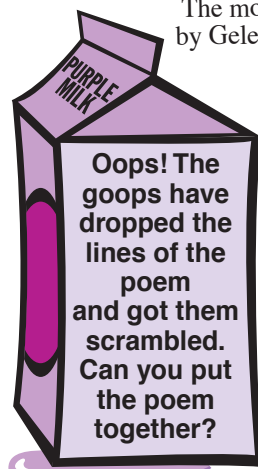
Goop comes from the many tales he told of the boneless, ill-mannered and sort-of-human characters he named "goops."



The goops, they lick their fingers;  
The goops, they lick their knives.  
They spill their broth on the table cloth.  
Oh, they lead disgusting lives.

## The Purple Cow

The most quoted poem of the 1890s was a little ditty by Gelett Burgess called "The Purple Cow."



- A But I can tell you anyhow,
- B I'd rather see than be one.
- C I never hope to see one;
- D I never saw a purple cow

ANSWER: The correct order is D, C, B, A.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

## How to Draw a Purple Cow



**STEP 1**  
Draw big, simple shapes for your cow's body with a pencil. Draw very lightly. A cow's body is a rectangle. Cows have short legs and a long tail. Draw ovals for the head and feet.



**STEP 2**  
Still drawing with a pencil, start adding details like eyes, hooves, udders, and horns. Remember to draw lightly with the pencil because you'll be erasing the pencil lines.



**STEP 3**  
Draw over the pencil lines in ink. Make sure the ink is dry, then erase all the pencil lines. Color your cow and add spots, stripes, or wild & wacky patterns.

## Goopy Manners

Gelett Burgess wrote a series of goop books to teach children manners.

One book of goop tales has verses about 52 children, two for each letter of the alphabet. Each child's name describes a fault.

Draw a line from each goop name to that child's fault.

- |            |                          |
|------------|--------------------------|
| Asleepnogo | would not share things   |
| Teeza      | had dirty hands          |
| Neveshair  | didn't want to go to bed |
| Inkafinga  | picked on others         |

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple directions.

What faults are described by these names?

- Askalotte \_\_\_\_\_
- Xcitabelle \_\_\_\_\_
- Badinskool \_\_\_\_\_
- Fibius \_\_\_\_\_

Standards Link: Vocabulary: Understand word meaning from context clues.

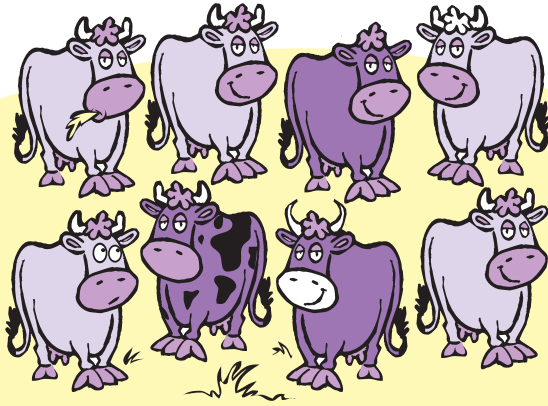
Make up names for children with these faults:

- \_\_\_\_\_ She would not brush her teeth.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He liked to sing too loud.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He pinched his baby sister.
- \_\_\_\_\_ She ate with her fingers.

Standards Link: Vocabulary: Create words from context clues.

## Kid Scoop Puzzler

Only two of these kooky cows are identical. How fast can you find them? Better get moo-oo-ving!



Standards Link: Visual discrimination: Recognize objects that match.

## Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

NONSENSE	G M E R E V E N L E
PURPLE	T T E G B E U R E T
EXPERT	S D R O W R E S L E
GOOPS	G B P O P S N E P B
BLURB	T R E P X E S W R A
ALPHABET	E O D S S S O U U H
VERSE	E T U N S C L W P P
BROTH	T H O O R B K C I L
NEVER	H N L D X N N A M A
WORDS	
COW	
LOUD	
TEETH	
LICK	

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

## FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

### Opposite Ads

Find an ad in the newspaper. Rewrite the ad so that it says just the opposite of the original.

Standards Link: Writing: Write brief descriptive narratives.

## Write On!

### Why read?

Why is it important to know how to read? Tell other students the reason reading is important and entertaining.

## Kid Scoop Together: Missing Words

Here are some limericks written by Kid Scoop readers. Use the words in the Word List to make each limerick rhyme.

There once was a clever young lad  
But sometimes he gets really \_\_\_\_\_  
He found a big clover  
It flipped him right \_\_\_\_\_  
In the end he was very glad.  
— by Sam G.

Hey, it's free pizza day \_\_\_\_\_  
All the towns people cheered, "Horray"  
But the fools didn't \_\_\_\_\_  
'Cause they went with the flow  
That I was going to yell April Fools Day!  
— by John D.

I was sitting in my comfy \_\_\_\_\_  
Eating like a big grizzly bear  
I just couldn't \_\_\_\_\_  
I thought I would pop!  
Now I'm fat, but I really don't \_\_\_\_\_!  
— by Cece D.

I love playing in the bright \_\_\_\_\_  
Oh my it is so much good fun  
To play in a \_\_\_\_\_  
But always stay \_\_\_\_\_  
It is so sad when the day is done.  
— by Audra P.

CARE	SAD
POOL	SUN
OVER	COOL
KNOW	TODAY
CHAIR	STOP

Standards Link: Vocabulary: Identify words that rhyme.

## Kid Scoo-doku

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word RHYME in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

R			M
H			R
Y	E		R
M	H	R	
E	R		Y

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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 nonprofit 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. Please do not submit a listing for all meetings the entire year. Monthly updates work best. Email information (including the location and street address) to [calendar@hcnews.com](mailto:calendar@hcnews.com).

## THURSDAY, AUG. 24

**KIWANIS CLUB** welcomes Linda Lancaster from Air EVAC, noon, Farina's on Granbury square.

**ROTARY CLUB** welcomes David Youker and Bethany Kyle to discuss Granbury Radio and Granbury TV, noon, Harbor Lakes Golf Club.

## SATURDAY, AUG. 26

**COMICOLOGY 101**, an introductory class for new comicbook fans. Learn the history, the spectrum of characters and creators. Last of four sessions, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Hood County Library. Free.

**BLOOD DRIVE** at Lakeside Baptist Church, 4:30 to 8 p.m. Call Taylor Smith for appointment at 817-573-2094 or e-mail [tsmith@lakesidebc.org](mailto:tsmith@lakesidebc.org)

**FLY-IN BREAKFAST** at Granbury Airport, 8 to 10 a.m., in support of Forward Training Center. A 9 a.m. program will feature Mike Montefusco on the updated version of GA Jeopardy.

**BENEFIT LUAU** for VFW National Home, \$13 per person, dinner at 6 p.m., auctions, live music by Eagle Rare Band, 3670 Highway 377 W.

## MONDAY, AUG. 28

**WRITERS' BLOC** welcome Jeffery McClanahan with a program on "Deep Point of View, Layering and Their Co-Dependence," 7 to 9 p.m., Lakestone Terrace, 916 Highway 377 E., 817-578-4272.

## TUESDAY, AUG. 29

**UNDERSTANDING SOCIAL SECURITY**, a free program at the Hood County Library, 6 to 8 p.m., 222 N. Travis St., 817-470-2910 to register.

**BLOOD DRIVE** at First Christian Church, 2109 Highway 377 W., noon to 5 p.m.

**FREE SHOWING** of "The Father and the Bear," a film about Alzheimer's disease, 6:30 p.m., Showbiz Cinema, 1201 Waters Edge Dr. Reserve tickets at 800-272-3900.

## THURSDAY, AUG. 31

**KIWANIS CLUB** welcomes Tiberia from Barking Rocks Winery, noon, Farina's on Granbury square.

**RETIREMENT PLANNING**, a free program at the Hood County Library, 4 to 6 p.m., 222 N. Travis St., 817-470-2910 to register.

## TUESDAY, SEPT. 5

**LIONS CLUB** welcomes guest speaker Roger Deeds, Hood County Sheriff, noon, Spring Creek Barbeque, 317 Highway 377 E., 817-573-7302.

# Illumination



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**GOOD TIMES:** Gather family and friends to participate in the Lake Fest Lighted boat parade on Sept. 3. There's no registration, just show up at Stumpy's and follow the leader. Boats start to gather around 7:30 p.m. and leave the area at dusk. The boats in the parade travel slow and are expected to pass under the Highway 377 bypass bridge at dark.

## Lighting it up for nighttime boat parade

BY DEBBIE SCHNEIDER  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Lake Granbury will be aglow for the second annual on-the-water boat parade coming Labor Day weekend.

Bedazzled boats will be reflecting off the water during the lighted parade Sunday, Sept. 3.

The boat parade is part of the fun scheduled for Granbury's Lake Fest Sept. 2-4.

Some 25-30 vessels participated in the boat parade last year. Facilitator Ronnie Hurd expects more this year.

"People came out and had fun," Hurd said. "There were groups of people watching from the City Beach area and also at Mesquite Pit."

Waterfront owners along the parade route simply watched from their backyards.

Hurd said it's not hard to decorate your boat.

Just buy 12-volt LED lights and hook up to your battery.

Some of the lights have peel-off adhesive strips that are easily attached to the boat.

A variety of lights are available, including single colors, multiple colors and lights that change colors.

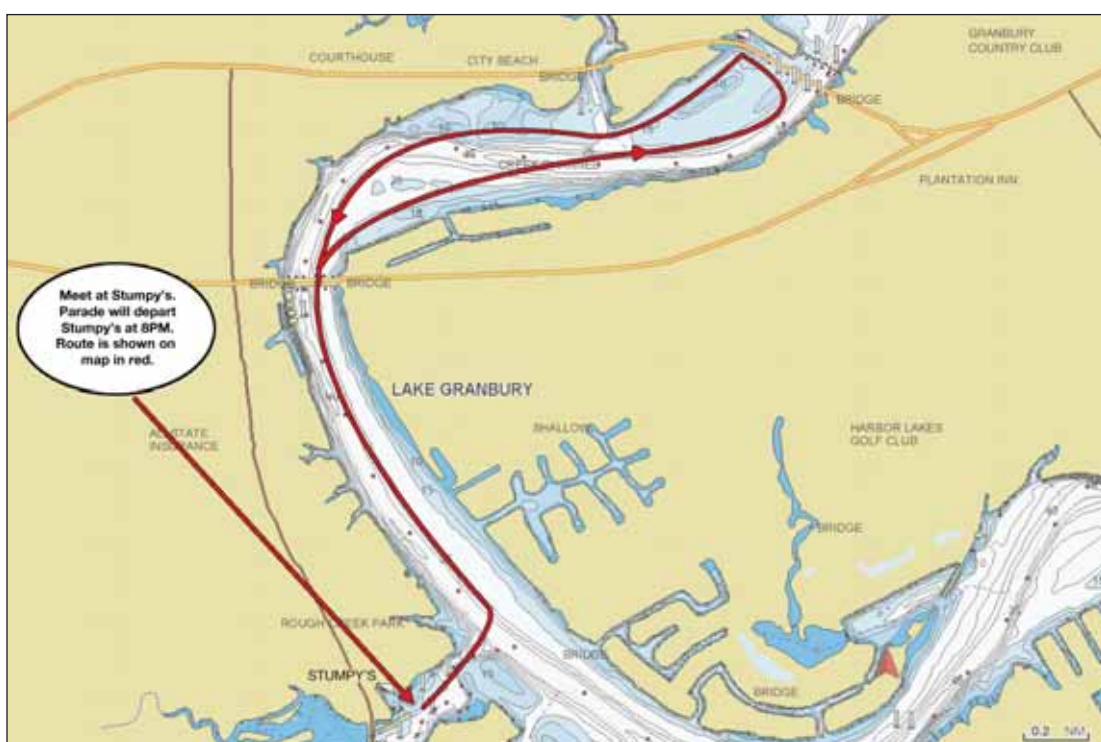
There's no registration to participate in the parade. Just show up near Stumpy's/Lake Granbury Marina with decorative lights on your boat.

The boats start to gather around 7:30 p.m. and leave the area at dusk.

"By the time we get to the main part of the parade, it will be dark," Hurd noted.

Boats will travel north, passing under the Highway 377 bypass bridge, then follow the shoreline past The Shores and up toward Plantation Inn. The parade will cross the lake before reaching the Pearl Street bridge.

"We don't want to take any chances with boats getting into the trees close to the bridge.



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**MAP IT OUT:** This graphic shows the path for the Lake Fest lighted boat parade Sunday, Sept. 3.

That's why we cross to the other side of the lake before we get there," Hurd said.

The boat parade continues back to its starting point passing in front of Mesquite Pit, Watterview, City Beach and along

the shoreline until crossing under the Highway 377 bypass bridge.

Hurd will lead the parade in his blue and white Malibu boat. Most boats in the parade are locals, though Hurd is also get-

ting inquiries from the Metroplex.

If you have questions about the boat parade, call or text Hurd at 817-538-8586.

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## LABOR DAY LAKE FEST 2017

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 2

6 a.m.-1 p.m. Fishing tournament at City Ramp next to Pearl Street bridge (contact Ben Hernandez for information at 817-657-7186). Vendors open on the square.  
10 a.m.-7 p.m. Vendors open on the square.  
11-11:30 a.m. Apple pie eating contest near main stage on square.  
11-11:30 a.m. Bobbing for apples near main stage on square.  
Noon-6 p.m. Fish fry/hot dogs at Hewlett Park, sponsored by Brookshire's, cost TBA.  
3-6 p.m. Music by Trio Grande, a ZZ Top tribute band at main stage on square.

11-11:30 a.m. Hula-hoop contest across from main stage on square.  
2-4 p.m. Entertainment by Benton Lawson at main stage on square.  
8 p.m. Lighted boat parade, viewed between Stumpy's and Pearl Street bridge.

### MONDAY, SEPT. 4

10 a.m.-4 p.m. Vendors open on the square.  
11 a.m.-noon. Best Salsa in Town cooking contest, across from main stage on the square.  
Noon-1:30 Entertainment with the band James A'Marie at the main stage on the square.

Times subject to change. For more information contact Brenda Hyde at Historic Granbury Merchants Association, 817-573-5299.

### SUNDAY, SEPT. 3

10 a.m.-5 p.m. Vendors open on the square.



**COLORFUL:** The sky's the limit when it comes to lighted decorations for your boat. In last year's Lake Fest boat parade, the lighting on this boat included a palm tree.

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**GETTING STARTED:** Dignitaries toss a shovel of dirt Saturday to mark the groundbreaking for the community center in the Sandy Beach neighborhood. From left are Pastor Wade Killough of Acton Methodist Church, Granbury Mayor Nin Hulett, Justice of the Peace Kathy Gwinn, Dan Gessley, Center Director Sharla Caro and John Rook. The Sandy Beach Community Center is a ministry of Acton Methodist Church.

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**MUSIC OF PRAISE:** "Amazing Grace" was performed by Tristin Roberson on guitar and singer Harley Walts during a celebration Saturday in Sandy Beach. One building is in place, and another will be added for the Sandy Beach Community Center.

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# Something to cheer about

## Groundbreaking for Sandy Beach Community Center draws crowd

It was a big day in the neighborhood. The groundbreaking for a community center was held Saturday afternoon in Sandy Beach, a lakeside community southwest of Acton.

Granbury High School cheerleaders, local firefighters and law enforcement officers from the Sheriff's Office were invited to join in a parade celebrating Sandy Shores Community Center.

The community center is patterned after the Rancho Brazos Community Center, and will serve people of all ages. Both centers are a ministry of Acton Methodist Church.

Sharla Caro, director at Rancho Brazos,

will serve as director for both centers.

In addition to serving children and families, a senior citizen meal and programming is planned at the Sandy Beach Community Center from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Monday through Friday.

One building is on-site and another will be constructed for the Sandy Beach programs.

The Community Center will have after-school programs in Sandy Beach. Students can receive tutoring and the Parent Cafe informational programs will be offered.

Caro expects both buildings to be up and running in Sandy Beach in January next year.

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# United Coop will offer solar power

With the goal of making solar energy more accessible for its members, United Cooperative Services begins construction for a community solar power plant in Bosque County, according to spokesman Mauri Montgomery. The plant developer is TurningPoint Energy and will be built by DEPCOM Power Inc.

"Community solar allows multiple people to get electricity from a large solar photovoltaic array, offering a convenient, affordable option for our members who want a part of their monthly power to come from the environmentally friendly energy source," said United CEO Cameron Smallwood.

"Our community solar project is an attractive option for members interested in solar, but who don't wish to make a significant financial investment, or do not have space or roof orientation," Smallwood added.

Key details for this community solar project include:

- Facility capacity of 9.9 megawatts.
- 55 local jobs created with an emphasis on hiring military



**SOLAR PROJECT GROUNDBREAKING:** United Cooperative directors and CEO Cameron Smallwood visit the new 10 megawatt community solar facility. From left: Smallwood, along with directors Clifford Deal, John Jones, Larry Bays, Tommy Cantrell, Patsy Dumas, Harry Thompson and Ed Cardin. As an electric distribution cooperative, United serves 83,000 meters in 14 North Texas counties (including Hood). United does not generate electric-

energy output. - 44,340 solar panels with wattages of 320w and 325w per

panel. United members should be able to purchase energy from

United's community solar program during the first quarter of 2018.

## HELPING HANDS

### SUPPORT FORWARD

#### TRAINING CENTER AT FLY-IN

The monthly fly-in at Granbury Regional Airport supports Forward Training Center this month. The FTC program offers a variety of classes in its job readiness program.

The pancake breakfast fly-in is from 8-10 a.m. Saturday.

#### OPERA GUILD OF GRANBURY IS HELPING HEAT THE FOOD

Opera Guild of Granbury recently purchased a new microwave for the actors dorm. Several people have been staying at the dorm during their performances.

The next meeting of the Opera Guild is Sept. 5 at Harbor Lakes Clubhouse, 2100 Clubhouse Drive. The social begins at 10:30 a.m. Entertainment with Jonathan Yeager, hypnotist, begins at 11 and an optional lunch is \$15 at noon. Reservations required, RSVP to granburyog@gmail.com or 682-936-9572.

# Devotion Page

## Starting The Conversation

As a young kid I remember my late night conversations with my parents before bed. They ranged from what happened in my cowboy and pirate adventures, why I dug that hole in the backyard, to deeper conversations like why the sun and moon take shifts controlling the sky. I realize I was fortunate enough to have both of my parents by my side at night, and I am aware that in times today, unfortunately this scene isn't always easy to come by.

### GUEST COLUMN



Jesus Sandoval, Pastor Iglesia Mas Que Vencedores

each have connections to the people around us, and ways to communicate. We thrive to have that emotional experience in its deepest form to share our hearts with what lifts them up, and what brings them down. You cannot have these moments unless you have a true relationship that person. Our connection point with Christ is prayer. Prayer, is a conversation based upon a relationship with Christ.

In Matthew, Jesus teaches his disciples to prayer in the most foundational way. "Our father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, you will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our debts as we also forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one" (Matthew 6:9-13 NIV)

This prayer screams relationship! It teaches us to have respect and trust with the person we are talking to. Prayer shouldn't be complicated. It is easy to fall into the same schedule with the same cadence, saying the same things, but that's not a relationship. If my wife and I only said the same sentence to each other, day in and day out, we wouldn't have made it past speech class. Prayer is a conversation based upon a relationship.

We have a father who has our best interest in mind and who has been through the same walks of life we could go through. It is with that trust we confide in him. With faith, we know that he will deliver us to a place where we need to be. As a parent to their child we will be guided through all seasons of life. We need to turn to Christ with open hearts in prayer. Take time to prayer today. Take time to have that conversation.

Don't worry about using the right words but come to Christ with sincerity in your heart out to him, seeking his guidance and you will be answered in a way that comes from a place of love. Start the conversation.

Regardless of who your conversations were with, the sentimental moments of exchanging ideas and expressing devotion cling to our hearts. We rarely reveal our hearts to a complete stranger or someone doesn't walk the same path we do. These exchanges take place because we understand the person we are speaking to, and without hesitation unveil our struggles because we do not fear the harsh stares of judgement that could come from someone else.

You need trust in order for these moments to take place because we are reluctant to being vulnerable. There are very rare relationships that share the same space as a relationship with a parent and their child. With the child's best interest in mind the parents engage them. Encouraging, cautioning and lovingly taking part in their every day struggles. This is a relationship we all desire.

Not only do we desire these relationships in our horizontal lives, but can also have this relationship in our vertical life with Christ. We

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION  
 THE STATE OF TEXAS: To all persons interested in the Estates Of RONALD JAY WEBB, Cause No. P08335, County Court of Hood County, Texas.

STEPHANIE R WEBB in the above numbered and entitled estate filed an Application To Determine Heirship and declare who are the heirs and the only heirs of the said Estate of RONALD JAY WEBB, deceased, and their respective shares and interests in this Estate.

Said application will be heard and acted on by said court at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday next after the expiration of ten days from date of publication of this citation, at the County Courthouse in Granbury, Texas.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Court at above mentioned time and place by filing a written answer contesting such application should they desire to do so.

Given under my hand and seal of said court at office in Granbury, Texas this 18th day of August, 2017.  
 Katie Lang  
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 P.O. Box 339  
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
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 2017-2018 PROPOSED  
 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET  
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