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## Fire heavily damages two-story home

### Firefighters on scene seven hours

BY BETHANY KURTZ  
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Firefighters battled a two-story house fire for seven hours on Friday.

The fire was reported at 3:30 p.m. in the 300 block of Mustang Trail in Western Hills Harbor, Fire Marshal Ray Wilson said.

The property borders Harbor Lakes Golf Course just off Highway 377.

Firefighters from all nine fire departments in Hood County responded to the blaze.

No injuries were reported.

The upper floor burned out, so firefighters were unable to walk there to fight the fire, he said.

The top story of the structure was destroyed, Wilson said, and the lower story sustained heat and smoke damage.

The fire is still under investigation, he said. No one was home when the fire began, he said.

The home belongs to Bill Black, Wilson said.

Because of the number of firefighters on the scene, firefighters were able to take breaks to prevent overheating, he said.



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**NINE-ALARM FIRE:** All fire departments in Hood County on Friday afternoon. Firefighters were on the scene for seven hours battling the blaze. No one was injured. Hood County Fire Marshal Ray Wilson said the cause of the fire is still under investigation.

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## Vircy Macatee – a titan of Hood County history

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When Hood Countians were fuzzy on local history, two people were considered to have the answers.

One was Mary Kate Durham. The other, Vircy Macatee.

Vircy, a Hood County native, died Friday morning in Granbury.

She was 94.

Vircy's organizational skills were legendary, perhaps why



Macatee

she was so effective in maintaining Hood County's rich history of people, places and events.

Close friend Maurice Walton said Vircy "was probably the most unique person I have known. How many times did we say, 'Well, that's just Vircy.' There was nothing else you needed to say."

Walton considered Vircy one

of three "pillars" contributing to the preservation of Hood County history – Mary Lou (Watkins), Mary Kate and Vircy.

"There's not anyone who loved Hood County more than Vircy. It's hard to measure her contributions, but I know it was significant."

While Vircy appeared very serious at times, "underneath she was a very loving and caring person," Walton said.

Vircy was born Sept. 17, 1923 in the Acton community and

grew up in Mitchell Bend near the Hood-Somervell county line.

Her father, Oran Baker, was a farmer and scratched out a living for his wife Fern and children. Baker later became sheriff of Hood County.

Vircy remembered taking part in the dedication of the Robert Crockett Bridge (old iron bridge) over the Brazos River in Granbury.

It was in June 1932, and Vircy was 8 years old.

"It was a big thing, and a pa-

rade was planned," Vircy wrote in her memoir.

She was to ride "Ole Buck," a pleasure horse, buckskin with black mane and tail.

The family bought a black saddle with silver trim. Vircy wore buckskin chaps and vest with red suede trim and silver nail heads. She also wore a white Stetson hat, tan gloves and black boots.

"I was selected as the best dressed cowgirl and given a \$5 gold piece as the prize," Vircy

said.

In later years, she proudly wore the \$5 as a necklace.

Vircy graduated from Cleburne High School in 1942 and Texas State College for Women (now Texas Woman's University) in 1946 with a bachelor's degree and major in accounting.

She started to work that year with Humble Oil & Refining Company (later Exxon) in Houston.

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## District judge shoots down years-long rumor

BY KATHY CRUZ  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Rumors can sometimes take on lives of their own, and that appears to be the case with a well-worn – and apparently fictional – tale involving state District Judge Ralph Walton.

For years – maybe 10, maybe more – there have been whispers that the judge who presides over the 355th District Court in Hood County vowed that he wouldn't retire until he had sentenced inmates to a total of 1 million years in prison.

The Hood County News frequently receives inquiries about that alleged statement, and inmates have written asking that the newspaper send them clippings of any stories quoting the judge making that pledge.

In fact, the newspaper received no fewer than three such inquiries within the past few weeks. Two were in letters from inmates, the third was from

a woman who phoned the HCN offices.

Though few would argue that Walton is tough on crime, the rumor, according to the judge, isn't true.

In fact, when asked about it by the HCN, he said he'd never heard it before and has no idea how the rumor started.

"That is totally ridiculous," he said. "Absolutely ludicrous. That's the craziest thing I ever heard in my life."

Walton added that such a claim assumes that he or someone else actually tracks the years of imprisonment meted out by him or by juries.

No one does that, he said.

"Do you know how many thousands of cases I have disposed of in my career?" he asked. "That's what's so crazy about it. Who in the world is keeping an accounting?"

As for his retirement, Walton said that district judges are mandated to

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### Meet the Queen of THS

Railee Anderson was crowned Tolar High School's 2017 Homecoming Queen during halftime festivities Friday night at Rattler Stadium. Railee was all smiles as her proud father Thomas Anderson escorted her off the field.

## Downtown project to wrap up this week

The Downtown Streetscape Project that got underway in Friday is expected to wrap up by Friday.

Crews will begin the clean-up process today, according to a schedule released by the city.

Crews will also be installing stop signs today.

Benches and trash receptacles are to be installed tomorrow.

On Friday, workers will take care of any remaining tasks and finish cleaning up the area, according to the city.

The week began with work on the Houston Street sidewalk, the wrap-up of asphalt work, striping of streets and the placement of trees in planters.

## HOMEcoming AT GRANBURY HIGH SCHOOL CONTINUES

Granbury High School Homecoming kicked off Monday evening with the annual parade (right).

The special week continues Friday from noon to 4 p.m. when former students will be able to take a walk through the old high school building on West Bridge Street before it gets the wrecking ball.

Later Friday, an alumni reception will be from 5:30 to 6:30 in the school cafeteria. The Lady Pirate volleyball team will host Burleson at 5:30 p.m. in the James Wann Sports Center. Kickoff for the Granbury-Burleson football game will be at 7:30 p.m.

The Homecoming Queen will be crowned during halftime festivities. Also to be recog-

nized will be the Coming Home Queen, Patricia "Dean" Gray Peterson, a 1967 GHS graduate. The Homecoming King will be announced during a morning pep rally earlier that day.

The student council will host a dance Saturday night from 7:30 to 11:30 in the high school courtyard. A complete schedule is available at [www.granburyisd.org/homecoming](http://www.granburyisd.org/homecoming).

## BULLETIN

Emergency workers were on the scene of a major accident at presstime Tuesday morning at the intersection of Temple Hall Highway and Old Granbury Road. Updates at [www.hcnews.com](http://www.hcnews.com).

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**OPPONENTS:** Rose Myers, who is seeking re-election to the Place 4 seat on the Granbury City Council, addresses the audience during last week's candidates forum held at county Annex 1. Beside her is challenger Trish

Reiner, a Rotarian and board president of the Granbury Chamber of Commerce. One area where the two disagree is the square project, which will wrap up this week.



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**GOING FOR NUMBER 5:** Mickey Parson of Place 6, who is seeking a fifth term, responds to a question as his challenger, Greg Corrigan, looks on during a forum for Granbury City Council candidates hosted by the Demo-

cratic Party of Hood County. Corrigan, a volunteer firefighter, serves on two city boards, the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Municipal Utility Advisory Board. Parson has been on the council since 2005.

# Q&A with the candidates

## Council contenders address variety of issues

BY KATHY CRUZ  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

The four candidates for Granbury City Council - two incumbents and two challengers - gave their views at a candidates forum last week on issues ranging from economic development to higher pay for police officers (which they all favor).

The forum, which lasted 75 minutes, was hosted by the Democratic Party of Hood County.

The HCN published a brief accounting of the forum in last Saturday's issue, but promised more details in the Wednesday issue.

Rose Myers of Place 4 will face Trish Reiner on the Nov. 7 ballot. Mayor Pro Tem Mickey Parson of Place 6 will face Greg Corrigan.

Each was allowed to make a three-minute opening statement. The order in which the statements were given was determined by a drawing.

Corrigan, who is in the home health care business, said that he and his wife moved to Granbury five years ago.

"Since moving here, I've gotten very involved," he said.

A volunteer firefighter, he now serves as training lieutenant for the Granbury VFD, he said, in addition to serving on two city boards - the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Municipal Utility Advisory Board (MUAB). He also has served on the Parks Board.

Reiner, who works in the health care industry, said she has lived in Granbury with her family for 12 years. She said she is an "active Rotarian," has been on the board of directors of the chamber for four years and has advocated for the elderly and for the Granbury school district.

"I live and breathe this community," she said.

Reiner said she feels that areas of town are currently under-represented and also said that she has "no aspira-

tions" of being a career politician.

"If you're walking in wanting to produce a legacy, you're not there for the right reason," she said.

Parson, first elected in 2005 and finishing his fourth term on the council, said he moved to the area in 1986 and served as treasurer on the deCordova board of directors for three terms.

He said he has been a tenor and bass player at Acton United Methodist Church, has been involved with "numerous charities" and at one time served as president of the Boys & Girls Club of Hood County.

His accomplishments on the City Council, he said, include suggesting a five-year budget strategic plan - an idea that the council adopted and which was noted with approval by bond underwriters.

Parson said he also had the idea to extend North Plaza Drive to alleviate traffic on Highway 377, and is working to connect Granbury and Hood County to the Chisholm Trail Parkway.

Myers said she has lived in Granbury since 2005 and has been in the health care industry for 25 years, currently serving as her company's regional marketing director.

She said that in her four years on the council she has focused on tourism/economic development, water rights for Lake Granbury and infrastructure to handle the city's continued growth.

She said that she is most proud of her work in creating Visit Granbury, Inc., a destination marketing organization that became financially independent of the city in a year's time.

Here are the candidates' responses to some of the written questions that were submitted by audience members:

### ON WHETHER THE CITY'S FOCUS SHOULD BE ON DRAWING INDUSTRY, OR RETAIL/RESTAURANTS:

Myers said that a good deal of eco-

nomical development already has occurred and that more will occur with expansion of the Granbury Regional Airport.

"We're looking at putting hundreds more homes in here, so we do need to focus on the education of our children and providing jobs within our community so that people are not driving out of Granbury to work," she said.

Corrigan stated that "in all reality," heavy manufacturing likely is not going to come to Granbury because companies want to be located near a major highway and Highway 377 does not fit that description.

The same is true, he said, for popular chain restaurants such as IHOP.

"For some of these places, they want to see a population of ten-to-twenty thousand or more in the city limits," he said.

"I would want to focus more on local merchant companies, local restaurants that are not necessarily chain restaurants."

Reiner agreed with Corrigan's statement about some companies requiring proximity to a major highway. She said that, while she feels that Visit Granbury is "very instrumental in bringing people to see what we have to offer," she favors bringing back the Economic Development Corporation.

An EDC, she said, could specifically look for light manufacturing companies that would be compatible with Granbury and could offer good-paying jobs.

Parson said that, as a member of the now-defunct EDC, he attended International Shopping Center events to actively recruit businesses to come to Granbury.

"As we move forward, we are continuing to have conversations with people coming into town," he said.

Parson said he has long believed that Granbury could be a regional retail

shopping area, drawing consumers from such places as Hico and Stephenville.

### SHOULD THE CITY HAVE A PAID FIRE DEPARTMENT?

It was agreed that the city's current volunteer fire department is serving the city well.

However, Reiner and Corrigan believe that, with the city's growth, a move to a paid fire department will probably have to happen at some point.

Reiner said that, while this will mean a tax increase, people moving into the city will help share that burden.

Corrigan said that there are "many different options" for alleviating costs, such as creating an Emergency Service District.

Parson said that rumors of businesses not locating to Granbury because it has a volunteer fire department instead of a paid one are "not true." He said he believes it has more to do with insurance rates.

Myers noted that the city has "invested in top-of-the-line" fire-fighting equipment for its volunteer fire department.

### REGARDING THE SQUARE AND THE DOWNTOWN STREETScape PROJECT:

"It's beautiful," Parson said of the square, referring to the beautification project that is set to wrap up this week.

He said that pedestrian traffic can increase by 25 to 30 percent because of the wider sidewalks and that the wider turning radius on Pearl Street will likely relieve issues of drivers driving up on curbs.

Myers said that, had the city not accepted a \$1.75 million grant from the Texas Department of Transportation, another city would have. Granbury taxpayers, she said, probably would have paid \$1 million just to "repair or

patch" sidewalks on the square that were tripping hazards and that did not comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards.

Corrigan agreed that something needed to be done to correct that problem, but said that, as a volunteer firefighter, he is concerned about the narrower streets and being able to get to an accident or a fire near the square.

"When I'm driving that fire truck and I have to get to an emergency scene, I don't want to have pedestrians that are now closer to the actual cars in harm's way," he said.

Reiner said that there is "a big difference between rehab and redo" and that, while she understands the temptation to accept grant money, it shouldn't be done "at the expense of safety."

She said that a woman who drives a dually truck told her that she and another woman who drives a dually truck had to stop and fold in their side mirrors before passing each other on the revamped square.

### SHOULD THE CITY HAVE DISTRICTS?

Reiner said that one of the reasons she is running is because most of the City Council members are concentrated in one part of town and that other areas, such as where she lives by Fall Creek Highway, have no representation.

Corrigan said that citizens have complained to him about the same thing, saying that they feel they are not being represented.

Parson and Myers said that they represent all citizens.

"It's not where I live that makes me feel like I'm serving my neighbors," Myers said. "As a public servant, I'm going to represent every citizen of Granbury."

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## WALTON

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retire at age 75. He said that, if he runs for re-election, he will seek just one more term.

Walton, whose post will be on the spring 2018 primary ballot, said that he has not yet decided whether he will seek another term, but does expect to announce his intentions soon.

The filing period for the primaries opens in November.

Walton has been on the bench for more than 20 years.

He said that he stepped down for four-and-a-half years back in the 1980s because private practice was more lucrative and he and his wife had two kids in college.

He returned to the bench in 1999, he said.

## VIRCY: An educated woman, she was in forefront of local history

FROM PAGE ONE

"In 1946, for a woman to enter the corporate world with a major in accounting was a difficult challenge," Vircy wrote. "Sometime during my first year of employment, I learned that two boys who had come to work with the same requirements and no experience as I had were classified as accountants making twice as much as I was.

"I went to my supervisor and asked why they were hired as accountants and I was hired as an accounting clerk making half the salary. I was told in no uncertain terms that I should never expect anything from that company because I was a woman."

In 1951 Vircy and Johnnie Macatee were married. Vircy remembered when Johnnie asked her father for his daughter's hand.

"When we got to Granbury, Daddy was out on a call," Vircy said. "We were waiting supper when he got home. He went to the bathroom to wash his hands. Johnnie followed him to the bathroom and said, 'Mr. Baker, I would like to ask if I can marry your daughter.'"

"Daddy was a big man - 6'2" and weighed 240 pounds. He straightened up to dry his hands and said rather gruffly, 'I guess she is old enough to know what she wants to do.'"

"When Johnnie came back to the living room, he was as white as a sheet but grinning from ear to ear."

Vircy made history with her education. In 1964 she received a master's in business administration with a major in management. She holds the first

MBA that the University of Houston granted to a woman with a major in management.

Vircy retired after 33 years of employment with Exxon Corp. and returned to Granbury in 1981 and became active in the historical preservation of Hood County.

She led in the organization of the Hood County Jail Museum, housed in the Old Hood County Jail where her father and mother once lived.

She was also in the forefront of gaining state historical markers for Mitchell Bend Cemetery and First Baptist Church, Granbury.

She convinced locals that the epic Mitchell-Truitt feud from the 1800s deserved to be remembered. The feud resulted in the murder conviction of

Nelson "Cooney" Mitchell, the only man legally hanged in Hood County.

The Bridge Street History Center is keeping the story alive through video presentations and displays at the museum. A stage play is also planned.

Vircy edited and published a history written by her great-grandfather, Wilson Hopkins Barker, in 1911 about the living conditions for the first settlers in the area.

"I have had a wonderful life, thanks to my ancestors for my inherited genes, traits and characteristics," Vircy said. "I did not get everything I wanted, but I got what I needed to have a very good and satisfying life."

Services were Monday at First Baptist Church, Granbury. Interment was in Holly Hills Memorial Park.

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# International pistol contest to be held at Cresson range

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Pistol shooters from around the world will test their skills in Cresson this weekend.

The International Defensive Pistol Association (IDPA) will hold its US National Championship match Thursday through Saturday at Triple C Tactical Training in Cresson.

Shooters from Argentina, Austria, China, France, Luxembourg, Pakistan, Thailand and Venezuela will join U.S. shooters for the contest, said Brian Ehrler, president of the Cross Timbers Action Shooting Association, a local IDPA club.

During the championship match, shooters will compete in 16 stages, or tests, lasting between 15 and 45 seconds, he said.

Shooters pick up points for how many seconds it takes them to hit all the targets in a stage and how close to center each target was hit.

"IDPA is a sport a lot of people do for the camaraderie," Ehrler said. "It is a fun sport that allows all levels to compete. You can be brand spanking new, just got your pistol and only know basic safety and which way to point it, or we have all the way up to world champions who compete in other associations."

This is the second year Triple C hosts the championship, said scheduling coordinator Kelly Barbee, but next year the national championship will rotate to a new location.

"We encourage people to come out and see the facilities and to see some of the best shooters in the world," Barbee said.

While the match doesn't have bleachers for idea watching conditions, there is still plenty for observers to see and people to talk with, Ehrler said.

About 340 shooters are expected to participate, he said.

Triple C is an outdoor range, which leaves more room to expand the stages, he said.

"People tend to be a lot more creative in outdoor ranges because there is more room," Ehrler explained.

It can also make shooting more difficult because the weather conditions cannot be controlled, he said.

The range is located at 14333 Cleburne Highway in Cresson near Bridges Equipment. Stages will be held all day Thursday and Friday, but will wrap up early on Saturday, about 3:30 p.m. for scores to be tallied before the awards banquet, Ehrler said.

To learn more about IDPA, visit [www.ctasa.club](http://www.ctasa.club).

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**BUCKLED UP:** Pct. 4 Deputy Constable Monica Harris shows Linda Cornelius how to properly fit her 11-month-old daughter Ashlee Cornelius' car seat shoulder straps during a free child safety seat check-up event on Fri-

day. Properly securing a child in a car or booster seat protects them and others in case of a car accident. Several local agencies provide free safety checks by trained technicians to ensure proper installment.

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## Children leave car seat check-up securely fastened

BY BETHANY KURTZ  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Six unsafe car and booster seats sat in the sun Friday at the free Car Seat Safety Check-up hosted by Pct. 4 Deputy Constable Monica Harris.

Harris and other Child Passenger Safety Technicians from the Department of Public Safety checked the condition, fit and installation of 31 child safety seats in 18 vehicles in the Walmart parking lot, Harris said.

The six seats were replaced because they were not the right size for the child or had been damaged or recalled, said Texas Highway Patrol Staff Sergeant Dub Gillum.

During the check-up, techs explained best practices for installing and fitting each seat to the child as they grow, Harris said.

A common error seen Friday was children under 2 years old facing forward, she said.

"Rear-facing seats are not about size, it's about babies' fragile necks and soft spinal columns," Harris said. "When a baby falls asleep in a forward-facing seat, it tends to slump their head down, which restricts breathing. A rear-facing seat allows the babies' airway to stay open when they fall asleep. (Rear seats tip farther back than facing seats.)"

Other common problems were not knowing how to lock

a seatbelt by pulling it all the way out while installing the car seat, not utilizing the switchable retractor and using both the seatbelt and the latch system at the same time when only one should be used at a time, she said.

The worst problem was one car seat barely held in place by the seatbelt, she said.

"It was so loose that it would not have been effective in a crash at all," Harris said.

None of the seats checked were properly installed when they arrived, she said.

"Learning how to properly install car seats and becoming a certified passenger safety seat technician requires 32 hours of intense training over

five days," Harris said. "Asking a professional to help check their installation should not be embarrassing or shameful. There are so many different manufacturers and many ways to install a car seat."

Those who would like to have a child safety seat checked should make an appointment by calling the constable's office at 817-579-3204 and asking for Harris.

"I will either come to you or you can come to the downtown courthouse on the square," she said.

Gillum and Trooper Corporal Michael Harris are also certified to perform checks and can be reached at 817-579-3337.

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## Man arrested for credit card abuse, stealing truck

Last Wednesday around 10:30 a.m., deputies began investigating a report of a stolen Dodge Durango from the 5400 block of Louisiana Trail in Lake Granbury Harbor, sheriff's office Public Information Officer Lt. Johnny Rose said.

They located the vehicle two hours later and 28 miles away in the 2600 block of River View Trail in River Country Acres, he said.

Joshua James Cripps, 33, Granbury, was arrested for taking the vehicle, Rose said. Depu-



Cripps

ties also believe he used the victim's credit card at several locations, Rose said.

Cripps is charged with state jail felonies for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and credit card abuse.

"The case on Cripps is still under investigation, and he may be involved in other thefts and could have more charges pending," Rose said.



**RIDING IN STYLE:** Pct. 4 Deputy Constable Monica Harris helps Cheyenne Lopez's daughter, 5, and son, 7, check out the fit and feel of their new car seats af-

ter being weighted to find the correct size. The proper size and design car seat is an important part of child safety while riding in a vehicle.

### CAR SEAT LAWS

#### Birth-2 years old

All infants and toddlers should ride in a rear-facing car seat unless they surpass the highest weight or height allowed by their car seat's manufacturer.

Secure the chest clip even with the armpits and fasten straps snugly against the body.

Use the harness slot at or below the baby's shoulder.

#### 2-3 years old

Use a forward-facing seat for as long as the safety seat manufacturer recommends.

Fasten harness straps snugly against the body. Secure the chest clip even with the armpits.

Use either seat belt or lower anchors to secure the car seat. Latch the tether strap to the vehicle anchor.

#### 4-8 years old

Use a booster seat to the maximum height or weight limit.

Fasten the lap belt across the thighs and hips, not stomach.

The shoulder belt should rest on the chest, not the neck.

#### Over 8 years old

Always use a lap and shoulder belt for maximum protection.

Anyone under the age of 13 should ride in the back seat.

### CRIME OF THE WEEK

## Rifle taken during burglary

Hood County Sheriff's investigators are looking for clues to solve a home burglary.

On Aug. 20, a burglar stole an AR-15 rifle from a residence in the 6500 block of West Highway 377, according to investigators.

Anyone with information is encouraged to call Hood County Crime Stoppers at 817-573-8477 or go online to submit

a tip at [www.hoodcounty-crimestoppers.com](http://www.hoodcounty-crimestoppers.com).

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### Granbury High School student to win 2015 Nissan Sentra

A Granbury High School student will win a free car at the end of the school year courtesy of Granbury Nissan.

Students will receive tickets for perfect attendance for a chance for the silver 2015 Nissan Sentra.

The announcement was made at the high school pep rally on Sept. 8.

Granbury Nissan general manager Steve Goodman and owner Wesley Spence have

teamed up with Strive to Drive TX in an effort to educate students in Granbury ISD and their parents on the importance of being in class.

Data from the Bureau of Educational Research in Illinois shows that consistent school attendance is directly linked to positive behavior, increased participation in extracurricular activities, higher grades and higher overall educational outcomes.

On May 18, 2018, the names of 10 finalists will be drawn from all tickets, and each will receive a key. Only one key will start the car.

For perfect attendance while enrolled for the entire six weeks grading period, students earn tickets based on the following system:

- one ticket each six week grading period with perfect attendance;
- five extra tickets each semester with perfect attendance; and
- 10 extra tickets for the whole school year with perfect attendance.

The vehicle, which is currently wrapped in school colors and features the Texas G Logo, will be featured at school events throughout the year, according to GHS Principal Jeremy Ross.

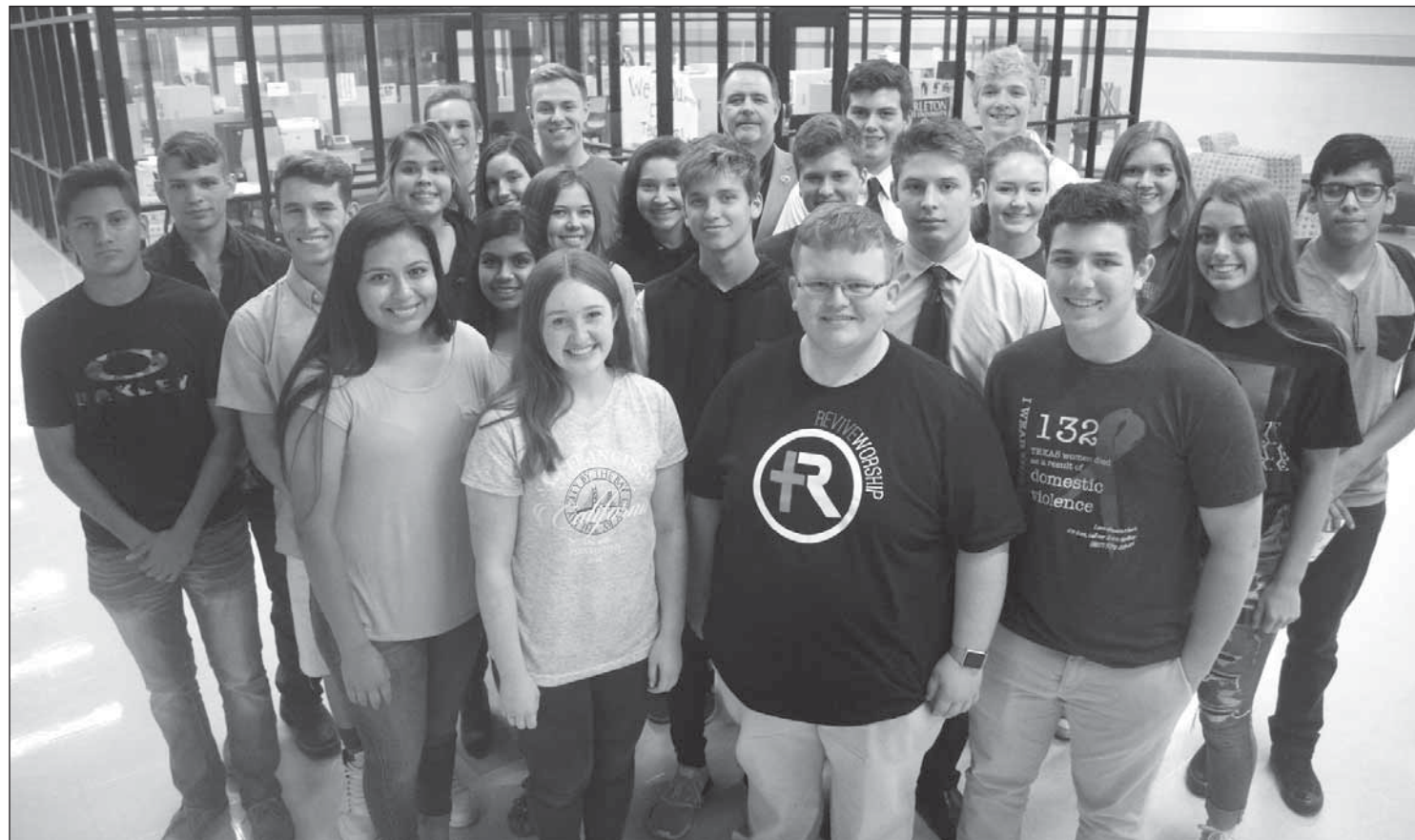
The winner will win the car along with tax, title, and license paid by the program.



### GHS drumline places third

The Granbury High School Pirate Band drumline won third place and a caption award for best bassline section at the HEB Drumline Clinic and Contest on Sept. 16 in Bedford. Representing the drumline are (from left) Adam

Gomez, Bryanna Langston, Martin Briones, Trevor Dawson and Michael Quinn.



**ADVISORY COMMITTEE:** This group of GHS students will meet with Superintendent Jim Largent (in back) four times this school year for lunchtime meetings. During the initial meeting Thursday, Largent asked the students

several questions about the positive areas of school as well as areas for improvement.

## Largent convenes student advisory group

Granbury ISD Superintendent Jim Largent convened the school year's first meeting of the Superintendent Student Advisory Committee (SSAC) Thursday.

The group includes students from all grade levels at Granbury High School.

Largent established the committee in 2012 to have an opportunity to interact with students.

Since that time, the group has either started or been a sounding board for many district initiatives, including the drug dog program, Project Based Learning and high school renovations.

#### OPEN COMMUNICATIONS

"The fact that I do not work directly with them at their campus facilitates a very open and honest atmosphere to commu-

nicate," Largent said. "I expect that these meetings will prove to be very positive and educational for me and the students alike." Students serving on the committee are:

Seniors Lua Castillo, Will Caudle, Maria Hackler, Marina Hernandez, Ceigan Jones, MacLane May, Drake McCoy, Taylor Parrish, Erik Tovar and Gerardo Veloz.  
Juniors Makaul Barbaree,

Cade Dudley, Taylor Hammonds, Mariah Hernandez, Alexis Limon, Amanda Peterson, Trevor Stringer and Chris Wills.

Sophomores Kyla Asante-Wiredu, Julie Blocker, Angel Huerta, Grant McDuff, Jesse Riley and Vanhiska Vaghshia.

Freshmen Zachary Eminger, Adam Gomez, Gracie Nichols, Grace Payne, Zane Reed and Faith Schmeets.



### GHS seniors commended

Granbury High School seniors Rayni Skaggs (middle) and Anthony Barnett (right) were named Commended Students in the 2018 National Merit Scholarship Program. The announcement was made by principal Jeremy Ross (left). Commended Students placed among the top 5 percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2018 competition by taking the 2016 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.



### Student leaders

Oak Woods School students elected student council officers for the 2017-18 school year. Pictured are new officers (from left) Addie Shipp, secretary; Addison Corley, president; Sterling Dunagan, public relations; and Quinn Gregory, vice president. They are all fifth-graders. Council sponsors are Cami Gilbert, Lynna Kirkpatrick and Leska Miller.



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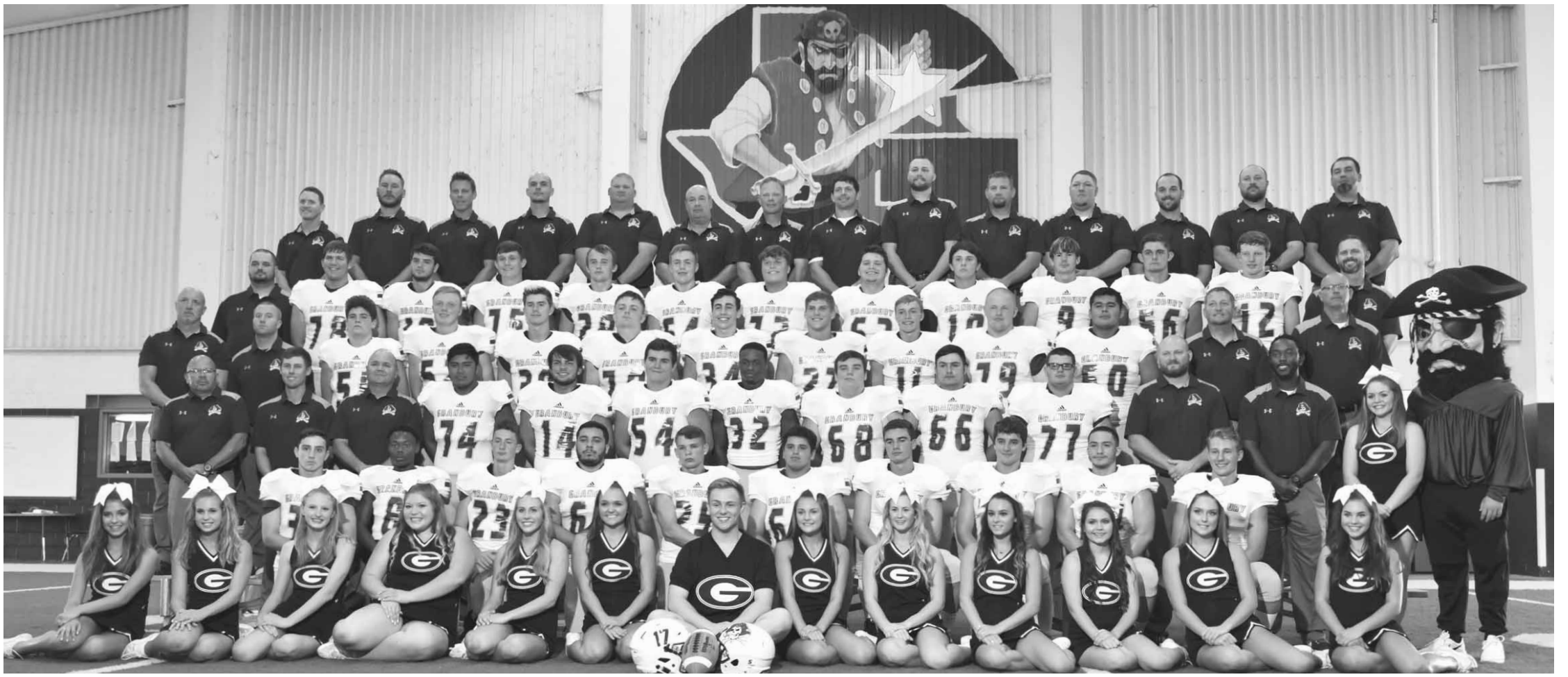


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## Second-half Rattlers beat Early on Homecoming

BY GRANT MCGALLIARD  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

On Friday night at Rattlers Stadium there was first-half Tolar, and then there was second-half Tolar.

First-half Tolar gave up 222 yards of offense to Early, and sputtered when the Rattlers had the ball. First-half Tolar was, by all rights, lucky to be tied at 7 going into the break.

But second-half Tolar scored 26 unanswered points, gave up just 32 yards in the final two quarters and stormed to a 33-7 win on Homecoming night.

Rattlers head coach Jeremy Mullins would, of course, like to see more of second-half Tolar.

"I'm super proud of the way those guys responded in the second half," Mullins said after the game Friday. "I'm ready for us not to wait until the second half for a game."

"I told them at halftime, it's there, we just had to go out and execute some of the things we were doing."

After looking at the tape, Mullins said he thinks the biggest change after halftime was the play of the offensive line.

"I think one big thing we as coaches agreed on was the O-line played much better in the second half," Mullins said Monday. "We kind of -- I don't want to say we wore them down in the second half, but our offensive line won more battles up front."

That line play allowed Tolar to rack up 196 rushing yards and two TDs on the ground, led by James Henderson with 73 yards and a score.

Bryan Morgan was also able to hang in the pocket at quarterback and slice and dice Early. Morgan was efficient Friday-night, going 13/17 for 169 yards and three scores through the air.

Clayton Deaver caught 124 of those yards and two of those touchdowns, including a 76-yard score in the fourth quarter in which he snagged the ball over a defender to ice the game.

On defense, the Rattlers bent but didn't break. Any time Early got close to scoring, Tolar would force a punt or a turnover.

Tolar won the turnover battle 4-0, forcing two fumbles and two picks. Gage Winston and Reese Robinson had the interceptions, with Robinson's coming at a crucial moment near the end of the first half.

The win moved Tolar to 2-2 on the year. Early dropped to 2-2 as well.

### ONE LAST NON-DISTRICT GAME

Because the Rattlers play in a district with only five teams, Tolar gets five non-district games to tune up. That part of the season ends Friday against Waco Reicher Catholic.

Reicher comes in with a 3-1 record, having dropped its last game 62-38 against Bremond. Last Tolar beat Reicher in a 60-47 shootout.

Mullins wants the game to take on a bit of a different shape this season.

"I hope it's not a track meet," he said.

Reicher has an offense powered by dual-threat quarterback Ben Brittain, who threw for 308 yards and ran for another 64 in the loss to Bremond.

Mullins said containing Brittain will be a challenge. He'll task his defensive line with the responsibility of slowing Brittain down.

"It starts with the defensive line," he said. "You have to be disciplined, and that starts up front with those guys, not getting in a lane that's not theirs."

"If you're a contain guy, be a contain guy. So we'll do some things this week to make sure we know what our responsibility is."

Mullins is happy his team is being challenged like this before district play starts.

"I'm excited for this opportunity in a non-district game to see a guy like this," he said.

Tolar and Reicher kick off at 7:30 p.m. Friday in Waco.

### GAME AT A GLANCE

**FINAL:** Tolar 33, Early 7

**TOLAR PASSING:** Bryan Morgan 13-17-0 169 3 TDs

**TOLAR RUSHING:** James Henderson 11-73 1, Morgan 11-52, Breagan Berry 3-34 1, Clayton Deaver 2-12, Jacob Sparks 10-5

**RECEIVING:** Deaver 7-124 2, Brice Scott 3-28, Derian Morphew 2-11 1, Reese Robinson 1-6

**TEAM:** 169 yards passing, 196 yards rushing, 365 total

**FIRST QUARTER:** Tolar 0, Early 0

**HALFTIME:** Tolar 7, Early 7

**THIRD QUARTER:** Tolar 17, Early 7



**TOUCH THE SKY:** Tolar's Clayton Deaver soars over an Early Longhorn during the Rattlers' 33-7 win on Friday night at home. Deaver finished with two receiving touchdowns, including a 76-yard reception that essentially sealed the win for Tolar.

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## Granbury preps for Burleson; NCTA, Cornerstone earn wins

BY GRANT MCGALLIARD  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

With a 3-0 non-district slate in their rearview mirror, the Granbury Pirates are ready for District 9-5A play to start.

Very, very ready. "We like where we're at, we like the challenge in front of us, and we're ready to come out Friday night and get it on," head coach Chad Zschiesche said. "Now all the scenarios and the records matter."

The Pirates will host Burleson on Friday for Homecoming. The Elks are also 3-0: Granbury and Burleson are the only two undefeated teams in the district.

The Elks have won their games by a combined score of 130-22.

"They have handled all of their opponents pretty much with ease," Zschiesche said. "It's certainly going to be a good test for us, but we're looking forward to the challenge."

Granbury players had a lighter week during the bye. They arrived at practice a bit later and hit their studies hard in tutorials.

At practice, the focus was on fundamentals, which Zschiesche said they don't get to work on as much during a game week. The Pirates ran fewer hard contact drills in order to heal up for district.

"I mean, they weren't off last week, don't get me wrong, Zschiesche said. "But we just dialed it back quite a bit."

"We got a break mentally, a little bit, we got a break physically from a banging on each other standpoint. It was a good week -- we also feel like we got better."

Against Burleson, Zschiesche expects the game to be won and lost in the trenches.

"Their front five is extremely physical," he said. "It's our front vs. their front, and who can win that

battle."

Granbury and Burleson will kick off at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Pirate Stadium.

### CORNERSTONE EARNS FIRST WIN

The Cornerstone Christian Academy Crusaders earned their first win of 2017 Friday night against Carrollton Christian in a 39-7 decision.

Cornerstone held Carrollton to just 50 yards of offense on the night. The defense was led by Joshua Turbeville, who had four solo tackles, including one for a loss.

Weldon Wallace had 145 total yards of offense, including two rushing touchdowns, and added a pick-six. Luke Steed had 65 yards and two touchdowns.

Cornerstone now sits at 1-3 on the year. Their next game is at Decatur Victory Christian on Friday at 7 p.m.

### NCTA WINS SECOND STRAIGHT

The North Central Texas Academy Pioneers won their second straight game with a 66-44 home victory over Rockwall Heritage Christian Academy.

NCTA piled up 467 yards of total offense, with 254 coming on the ground and 213 through the air.

Caleb Lawrence had the lion's share of those rushing yards. He totaled 229 yards on the ground with four touchdowns.

Nash Siachitema threw for 213 yards and five touchdowns. Dillon Brocato was responsible for two of those touchdowns and had 199 yards receiving.

Marc Langston had 68 yards receiving with three TDs.

Siachitema and Langston each had 12 tackles and an interception. Andreja Ivanovic had six tackles and forced two fumbles.

NCTA is now 2-2 on the season. They'll travel to Gordon on Friday for a 7:30 p.m. kickoff.



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BRACE FOR IMPACT: Cornerstone Christian Academy's Luke Steed prepares for an oncoming Carrollton Christian Academy tackler on

Friday night. Steed had two rushing touchdowns in the Crusaders' 39-7 win, the first of their season.

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## A night to remember

Former Granbury girls basketball coach Leta Andrews and her husband, David, take the stage in front of her former players at The New Granbury Live on Saturday

night. Andrews was there as part of a showing of "It's All In The Game: The Leta Andrews Story."

## Lady Pirates drop first district match, NCTA sweeps doubleheader

BY GRANT MCGALLIARD  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Granbury and North Central Texas Academy volleyball both played on Friday night, while Tolar and Cornerstone got the night off.

Here's the rundown of Friday's action.

### GRANBURY DROPS DISTRICT GAME

The Granbury Lady Pirates suffered their first loss in District 9-5A this season in a 3-0 home defeat at the hands of Cleburne.

All three sets were close; the final scoreline read 25-23, 26-24 and 25-21 in favor of the Yellowjackets.

Granbury committed 27 errors as a team in attacking play, which is tough to overcome. They had a further six miscues in the service game.

Madison Scott led Granbury with six kills. She also added three blocks.

Mandy Withey had four blocks and three kills. Maci Blohowiak added five kills and

### WHERE THEY STAND

#### DISTRICT 9-5A VOLLEYBALL

- T1) Granbury 4-1
- T1) Burleson Centennial 4-1
- T1) Cleburne 4-1
- 4) Burleson 3-2
- T5) Everman 2-3
- T5) Crowley 2-3
- 7) Joshua 1-4
- 8) Arlington Seguin 0-5

a block.

Granbury had only lost two sets in district play prior to this game.

As of Tuesday morning, the Lady Pirates were tied at the top with Burleson Centennial and Cleburne, who also have 4-1 records.

Granbury got a chance to rebound against 2-3 Everman on Tuesday evening. They'll host Burleson on Friday at 5:30 p.m.

### NCTA WINS TWO

The North Central Texas Academy Lady Pirates won both games of a road doubleheader on Friday evening.

NCTA swept both San Angelo Cornerstone and San Angelo Christian in three sets.

They beat SA Cornerstone 25-14, 25-18 and 25-18 before blowing out SA Christian 25-7, 25-8 and 25-9.

Kansas Simons had a combined six aces and 17 kills that night. Dorotea Koprivica combined for 19 aces and five kills.

Milica Pejovic had 13 aces and 20 kills. Iva Jelovac had 30 aces and 21 kills.

Those were the Lady Pirates' first two district matches in TAPPS 1A District 2.

They took on Weatherford Christian away Tuesday evening. They'll host SA Christian at 11 a.m. Saturday.

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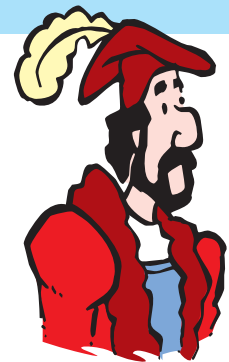
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# Columbus Day

## Trade Made the World New

Columbus' landing changed both the European and the American continents forever. The Spanish called the Americas the "New World." But the Americas – both North and South – were not "new." They were old continents just like Europe, Asia and the others.

However, the trading between the continents that resulted from Columbus' trip made the entire world new. It brought many changes to people and places all over the world.



Columbus' sailors traded buttons and tools for Native American hamacas (hammocks). These made excellent beds on board ship.

Trading hamacas was just the beginning. Corn and potatoes were also new to the Europeans. They became important foods in both Europe and Africa.

Unfortunately, Europeans also brought new diseases to the Americas. Diseases such as smallpox, measles and the flu eventually caused the deaths of hundreds of thousands of Native Americans.

Standards Link: History/Social Science: Students describe the early explorations of the Americas and the cooperation and conflicts that existed between the Indian nations, explorers and settlers.

## Thirsty Problem

Keeping fresh water on the Niña, the Pinta and the Santa Maria was an important job. When they set out to sea, Columbus and his crew didn't know how long it would be until they would be able to get more fresh water.

How did the sailors load water onto the ships? Cut out the scrambled pictures. Do the math problem on each picture to rearrange them in order from lowest to highest to find out.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Sequence information.

**4 + 6 - 7**

Scoop out water with buckets and pour into barrels.

**2 + 3 - 1**

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**12 - 4 - 6**

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### Explore the Newspaper

Look through today's newspaper to find words, pictures and ads that tell the following:

- something you do well
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Standards Link: Language Arts/Research: Use organizational features of newspapers to locate information.

Connect the dots to complete the Santa Maria.

## What's hiding in the hull?

The outside or frame of a ship is called its hull. How many of these things can you find hiding in the hull of the above ship?

- comb • hammer • broom
- fish • pencil • eyeglasses

## Kid Scoop Puzzler

Look at the list of things Europeans and Americans traded. Then draw a line from each word in the list to its matching scrambled word.

### What Europe Got from the Americas

- NRCO
- TUNEPSA
- ESOMOTAT
- PESLPAENIP
- CABTOOC
- ATSOPOTE
- LOCCOHTEA
- SMOMCHAK
- KUPMSNP

### potatoes

- pigs
- corn
- cattle
- pineapples
- chickens
- geese
- bees
- grapes
- tobacco
- hammocks
- chocolate
- peanuts
- pumpkins
- tomatoes

### What the Americas Got from Europe

- ESEGE
- ESEB
- PAGSER
- GPSI
- TLEACT
- NISHCEKC

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

## Double Double Word Search

- COLUMBUS
- TRADING
- PUMPKINS
- SHIPS
- SCOOP
- BROOM
- MEASLES
- SAILORS
- SPANISH
- CORN
- SANTA
- GEESE
- DREAM
- FISH
- BEDS

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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

## FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

### Explorer Times

With a partner or two, pretend that you are a reporter traveling with Christopher Columbus. Create a newspaper called Explorer Times that has all the news, views, sports, weather and ads from the voyage with Columbus. Use your local newspaper for ideas.

Standards Link: Writing Applications: Write multiple paragraph expository compositions using who, what, where, why and how.

## Write On!

### Exploration

Describe an area of the Earth that you would like to explore and explain your choice.

## Kid Scoop Together:

### Proof It!

Are you an eagle-eyed reader? Read the articles below and correct the eight spelling and grammar errors you find. The first one is done for you.

Columbus Day is celebrated in the USA on the second Monday Munday in October. The date was selected to be near the date in 1492 when Christopher Columbus landed on an eyeland near the present-day Bahamas.

Columbus was sponsored by King Ferdinand II and Queen Isabella of Spain. His crew sailed on three ships: the Niña, the Pinta and the Santa Maria. Columbus was looking for a faster route to the Indies, the medieval name for Asia. The quicker route would have made trading for valuable spices easier. Instead, he landed on what we now know is part of North America.

Columbus made three more trips to what was called the West Indies. He died in 1506, still believing he had landed in Asia. Amerigo Vespucci's voyage along the coast of South America in 1501 convinced most explorers of that time that a large continent existed across the Atlantic. But Columbus didn't believe that. He still thought he had found a new route to Asia.

Standards Link: Editing: Edit graphs to correct spelling and grammar.

## Kid Scoop-doku

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# Taking flight

## Young birder starts club for fellow enthusiasts

BY BETHANY KURTZ  
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

A quiet morning search for a rare bird is one Hood County teen's favorite way to spend Saturday morning.

And he hopes to find others who share his passion for bird watching.

Jake Balmuth, 18, has been attending 1st Saturday Bird Walks at Acton Nature Center for the last nine years and now occasionally leads them.

His passion for birding comes from his desire to capture their beauty, he said. He remembers seeing a university brochure with a photo on the cover when he was about 8 years old.

"I remember you could see every feather, and it was beautiful," he said.

Birding experience means better photos, he said.

"What I find is you really have to know their behaviors to be able to predict what they are going to do," Balmuth said. "You have to understand how a hummingbird's feathers refract the light so you know when you will get that bright burst of color. You have to under-

stand the different habitats different birds are found in so you know where to look."

To share his passion with other young people, Balmuth started the Young Birders of Greater Hood County.

The group's focus is on ages 7 to early 20s who can attend events close to Hood County.

Those interested should contact him at [young.birders.of.greater.hc@gmail.com](mailto:young.birders.of.greater.hc@gmail.com) to be added to the event email list, he said.

The next event is scheduled for 9:30 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 18 at the Acton Nature Center, where Balmuth will present how to identify sparrows.

He hopes the club will bring together young people interested in learning more about birding and connect those who may already be passionate about the activity with others, he said.

"The group is definitely just getting started, but everyone who comes seems to enjoy the walks," he said.

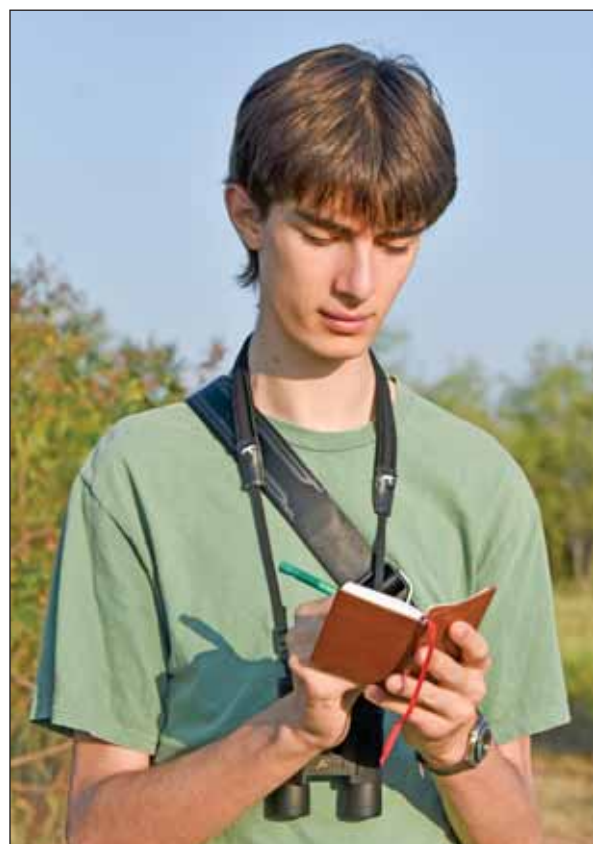
Besides the nature center, he has also hosted talks at the Hood County Library and Dinosaur Valley State Park.

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**BIRDERS UNITE:** Led by 18-year-old Master Naturalist Jake Balmuth, the Young Birders Group of Greater Hood County roams the Acton Nature Center to teach youngsters like 10-year-old Kiara Favela (above) how to identify birds.



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**FOR THE RECORD:** Young Master Naturalist Jake Balmuth emphasized the importance of proper documentation and the criteria involved while identifying and counting birds. Balmuth was speaking at Saturday's fall bird walk at Acton Nature Center.



JAKE BALMUTH

**TOUGH AND TINY:** This image of a tiny blue-gray gnatcatcher is among many images Jake Balmuth has captured on his bird walks at the Acton Nature Center.



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**BIRD BLIND VANTAGE:** When young birders aren't out observing on the Acton Nature Center trails, they can enjoy the view from the bird blind building located on the ANC grounds. Large glass windows offer a panoramic view while openings on each end allow for photography of the bird feeding station from inside the blind.



# 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. Email information (including the location and street address) to calendar@hcnews.com.

normal, horror, sci-fi, cosplay, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Free admission.

**SOUL REPAIR** Day at Acton United Methodist Church for veterans, military, first responders and their families, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Children's activities for K-12. Nursey provided. Breakfast and lunch included.

presented by the Granbury Theatre Company, "Marvelous Wonderettes," 11 a.m., lunch (optional) at noon. For lunch reservations (\$15), call 682-936-9572 or e-mail granburyog@gmail.com.

## THURSDAY, OCT. 5

**ROTARY CLUB** welcomes Dominique Inge to discuss the library expansion, noon, Harbor Lakes.

## OCTOBER

### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 27

**PERSONAL SAFETY** at Home with Sergeant Dub Gillum, 10:30 a.m., Senior Center, 501 E. Moore St.

### THURSDAY, SEPT. 28

**ROTARY CLUB** welcomes GISD superintendent James Largent, noon, Harbor Lakes Country Club.

**FREE SHOWING** of "Father and the Bear," offered by Alzheimer Association, 10 a.m., Granbury 6 Theater.

### FRIDAY, SEPT. 29

**GALLERY NIGHT** in Pecan Plantation, 4 to 8 p.m., tickets and maps available at clubhouse for Art Guild show. Free and open to the public.

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 30

**GOSPEL/HYMN SHOW** featuring Shake Anderson and Shane Brooks, Granbury High School Auditorium, 7 p.m., \$15 presale tickets, \$20 at the door. For advance tickets, visit crossconcerts.com or purchase tickets at Jerry Durant Toyota.

**PARANORMAL EXPO** kicks off Halloween season with a street festival featuring para-

### SUNDAY, OCT. 1

**NATIONAL LIFE** Chain in support of all human life from conception to natural death. Participants asked to meet at Granbury Motorsports (next to Best Western) at 2:30 p.m. for prayer and announcements before taking positions to form a chain along 377. Call Carmine at 817-579-9614 for more information.

**BRUSHY HOMECOMING** on the corner of Brushy Road and Paluxy Highway, 12:30 p.m. Bring chairs and a salad, vegetable or dessert. Meat will be furnished by Vinny Dorsey.

**OKTOBER-FEST COOKOFF** at VFW Post 7835 includes live band, 7 p.m., 3670 Highway 377 W.

### MONDAY, OCT. 2

**ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE** support group offers caregivers a chance to connect and unwind, 10 a.m., Acton United Methodist Church, 817-326-2355.

### TUESDAY, OCT. 3

**OPERA GUILD** meeting and luncheon, 10:30 a.m. registration, entertainment

### SATURDAY, OCT. 7

**TEXAS DEMOCRATIC** Women of Hood County Scholarship Luncheon with guest speaker State Rep. Donna Howard, 11 a.m., deCordova Bend Country Club, \$30 with proceeds benefitting local scholarships, 817-266-0282 for reservations.

**PARTY ON** The Peak, held at Comanche Peak, begins at 5 p.m. with cocktails, dinner and dancing under the Texas stars. Live and silent auctions benefit Preserve Granbury. Tickets \$100, 817-312-7753 or www.preservegranbury.org.

**BIG BAND** dance, 7 to 10 p.m., Granbury Square Plaza, BYOB.

**MR. B** of Wildlife on the Move returns to Hood County Library, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free tickets available at library. Limited seating.

### SUNDAY, OCT. 8

**STARTING A** New Life ministry of grief support begins new session, 3-5 p.m., God-centered non-denominational ministry. Call Phillis or Bill Brewer for information at 817-573-8915.

# Life



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## Support for Brazos Pregnancy Center

The Celebrate Life Gala for the Brazos River Pregnancy Center drew a crowd Friday night to the Granbury Resort Conference Center. Guests at the annual event help fund the work of the nonprofit agency. Above, from left, Sunny Shipley, Tina Lawrence and Steve Lair chat before the program. At left, supporters Renee and Troy Carnes enjoy the evening. The BPC works to educate, equip and provide services to meet the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of pregnant and post-abortive individuals and families.



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## Once a Marine, always a Marine

Some members of the Marine Corps League recently gathered for lunch at deCordova Bend Estates Country Club with special guests John Basilone and Joe Duncan of the Metroplex. Basilone is the grand nephew of WWII Marine Corps hero John Basilone, a gunner sergeant who was killed in action during World War II. Duncan built and lived in the home that became known as Southfork, on the TV show "Dallas." J.R. Ewing was portrayed by actor Larry Hagman on the TV show. Duncan (also known as J.R. Duncan) said only the outdoor

shots were actually filmed at the ranch. Inside shots were filmed at a studio. Duncan was a business friend of World War II veteran Peter San Filippo, of Granbury. The two recently connected through social media. WWII veteran Basilone was on the Marine Corps boxing team with Filippo before the war called both into action. Seated from left are San Filippo, Joe Duncan and his son Joe Duncan Jr. Standing from left are Alex Azar, Jim Parker, Ray Beard, Robert Martinez, Lon Simpson, John Basilone, Con Shuck, David Nelson and Richard Huchel.



TOM REARDON

## Elizabeth Crockett Chapter joins Constitution celebration

A celebration of the United States Constitution was recently hosted on the square by the Elizabeth Crockett Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. DAR chapters and communities across America joined in bell ringing and other ceremonies to mark the 230th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution.

State Sen. Brian Birdwell (R-Granbury) was among those attending, along with members of the Brazos Valley Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution. The tradition of celebrating the Constitution was started by the Daughters of the American Revolution when in 1955 the

DAR petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually to be dedicated for the observance of Constitution Week. One of the largest patriotic women's organizations in the world, DAR has more than 185,000 members in approximately 3,000 chapters across the country and the world.



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- 41 "\_\_\_ me in the middle"
- 42 this TX Mark is a "Shark" on TV & Mavs owner
- 5 Port Arthur radio station before it became KDEI
- 45 this Fred coached UT from 1977 to 1986
- 46 \_\_\_ brook, TX
- 47 "Star Trek" captain
- 48 TXism: "molar \_\_\_" (toothbrush)
- 49 a Fort Worth businessman and philanthropist

- 19 pre-owned vehicle (2 wds.)
- 21 you have \_\_\_ a gun, or you won't hit nuthin'
- 22 TXism: "hard as putting \_\_\_ in a windstorm"
- 27 TX Mildred \_\_\_ "Babe" Didrikson Zaharias
- 28 intuitive feeling (2 wds.)
- 29 8-across (2 wds.)
- 30 what TX Howard Hughes became
- 32 a Santa word
- 33 in Grayson County on FM 120
- 36 hot tubs
- 37 this Sam was long-time Speaker of the U.S. House (init.)
- 38 Salinas de \_\_\_ was Mexico president during NAFTA

- 52 TXism: "brains in \_\_\_" (computer)
- 53 this Darryl pitched for the Astros (1991-97)
- 54 Colorado Indian
- 55 TX Vikki's "With in Hand" (1969)

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## TEXAS CROSSWORD

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- 11 boot width
- 12 TXism: "coming apart \_\_\_" (losing control)
- 13 King James' "you"
- 14 this Elliott's #32 has been retired by the San Antonio Spurs
- 15 metal used to make filaments in lights
- 16 soft mineral found in TX
- 17 this scale quantifies an earthquake size
- 18 "Hook 'l"!
- 20 actress Moore in "Rio Grande Patrol"
- 22 Mineola is on \_\_\_ highways 69 and 80
- 23 TXism: "dull as week-old soda \_\_\_" (early TXn lived in \_\_\_ cabin)
- 24 an early TXn lived in \_\_\_ cabin
- 25 TXism: "from womb \_\_\_" (lifetime)
- 26 chicken fried steak, e.g.
- 28 TXism: "mean \_\_\_ old range cow"
- 31 Midland BBQ catering company: "\_\_\_ Smoke"
- 34 Astro lumber
- 35 TXism: "don't give a hoot \_\_\_ a holler"
- 37 ooze
- 40 these are boxing knockouts (abbr.)
- 43 TX interscholastic org.
- 44 end a relationship (2 wds.)
- 50 this Bob was longest-serving Fort Worth mayor
- 51 wood chopper



# Children meet after school with Good News Clubs

Parents can register their children for the Good News Club, a free program offered at various school locations across the county. Registration is at the school, though the Good News program is not a school function.

The includes include Bible stories, memory verses, games and snacks. Organizers say the Good News Club presentations are fun and encourage Christian growth, morals and character-building for children. All children are required to have parental permission to attend. Good News Clubs are led by

trained and screened Christians that have a heart for kids and evangelism, through the worldwide missions organization, Child Evangelism Fellowship, Inc., according to spokeswoman Valery Cooper Raney.

For more information please contact Kathy Krajca at 817-988-4731.

Good News Clubs meet once a week, immediately after school at the following locations.

- Acton Elementary, Tuesdays, Oct. 19-24, sponsored by Acton Baptist Church.

- Brawner Intermediate, Wednesdays, Oct. 4 - Nov. 8,

sponsored by Lakeside Baptist Church.

- Emma Roberson Elementary, Wednesdays, Oct. 11 - Nov. 15, sponsored by Brazos Covenant Ministries.

- Mambrino Elementary, Thursdays, Sept. 7 - Nov. 16, sponsored by Pecan Baptist Church.

- Netti Baccus Elementary, Tuesdays, Sept. 19 - Oct. 24, sponsored by Granbury Baptist Church.

- Oak Woods Elementary, Mondays, Sept. 11 - Oct. 23, sponsored by Grace Bible Church.



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## Come and get it!

When H-E-B Partners (employees) from across Texas put out the word to serve neighborhood fire stations, Granbury's H-E-B responded. They paid tribute to local first responders with a lasagna feast Thursday evening at the DCBE/Acton fire station. The H-E-B team is

pictured above with a hungry group of firefighters after the dinner bell was rung. The H-E-B team was also on hand to cook at Granbury Fire Station 1 last week. This year, H-E-B will adopt 719 fire stations statewide, 165 stations in the central Texas area.

## Free ticket reservations offered for Mr. B's wildlife show at the library

He's one of the most popular entertainers for the summer program at the Hood County Library. So popular, in fact, that the library had to create atten-

dance limitations.

Well, he's back. Mr. B of Wildlife on the Move returns for two shows at the library Saturday, Oct. 7. The shows will be at 11

a.m. and 2 p.m. Tickets are required, and they are free.

Tickets are available at the library, 222 N. Travis. It's first come, first served.

# Devotion Page

## Indescribable

2 Corinthians 9:15 (NKJV)

*Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!*

God's love for us is indescribable, yet we tend to limit what we receive. Jesus going to the cross to pay the price for us is beyond description. His giving of Himself to spend eternity with us is truly a gift. We do not deserve what He did for our sins. The pain endured for all who will believe is truly a gift. A gift not based on goodness, or works, or a price that has a dollar figure, but a gift with a price and that is Jesus going to the cross for you. To receive His love, it starts with us believing. When we believe we will then walk in faith and begin to accept His love.

Luke 1:37 (NKJV)

*"For with God nothing will be impossible."*

Thank God for the obedience and faith of Mary. She received the love of God to entrust her with the birth of Jesus. Mary accepted and never wavered in her decision. God sent His gift through Mary and it all started through her acceptance. So, we see that Mary accepted the gift of God's love and the impossible became possible.

Matthew 17:20 (NKJV)

*So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; [fn] for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move*

### GUEST COLUMN



Lindsay Luedeker  
Pastor of  
Waples Baptist  
Church

*from here to there, and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you."*

So, we now come to our walk, have we accepted His indescribable gift? If you have, do you believe that nothing will be impossible for you? We all have mountains in front of us, yet with faith and obedience they can be moved. Is your mountain a marriage or family situation? Is the mountain work related? Your mountain may appear as a range that includes hopelessness, guilt, shame, fear, failure, and unworthiness. God will move and remove mountains for you. He wants you to have hope, grace, mercy, faith, peace and joy which all come from His love for you.

Mark 6:51 (NKJV)

*Then He went up into the boat to them, and the wind ceased. And they were greatly amazed in themselves beyond measure, and marveled.*

So, as we journey with God He will show us His love cannot be described, but truly is there to be accepted. What seems impossible to us is possible with God. Lastly, we see that when we see what He has for us we will be like the disciples. The disciples were greatly amazed. They were amazed because of the immeasurable love of Jesus. He calmed the storm in their life. Whether you have mountains to move, or storms to calm there is only One who can do that and His Name is Jesus. Words cannot describe His love. His love will make a difference in your life when you put your complete faith in Him.

So, call out to Him in prayer daily and see how much He loves you. Your journey will be full of joy as you live for the One who gave His life for you. So always give thanks: *Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!*

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## Laura Margaret Bratcher

Laura Margaret Bratcher, age 97, of Granbury, Texas passed away peacefully at her daughter's home in Arlington on Wednesday evening, September 20, 2017 and is now at home with her Heavenly Father.

Margaret was born December 18, 1919 to Lester Carter and Bessie Mae (Lea) Miller in Sinton, Texas. She married Sidney Eugene Bratcher on June 5, 1939 in Tate Springs and later became a member of Acton Baptist Church.

Funeral Services held at Tate Springs Baptist Church in Arlington on Saturday, September 23 at 1:00pm followed by Interment at Emerald Hills Cemetery at 3:00.

Margaret was a very loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother, great-great grandmother, daughter, sister, wife and friend who would always help anyone at anytime on a moment's notice. She will be missed greatly by all she touched and influenced with her love.

She is survived by children,



Merry and David Johnson of Burleson, Jimmy and Pam Bratcher of Pasadena, California, Dale Bratcher and Kim Mareth (fiancée) of Wichita Falls, Sherry and Robert Gilliland of Arlington, 22 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, 14 great-great-grandchildren, brother L.C. Miller of Washington and sister Sandra Miller of Burleson.

Wiley Funeral Home made arrangements.

## Vircy Macatee

Vircy Macatee, 94, went to be with her Lord Friday, Sept. 22, 2017 in Granbury. Service: 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 25, 2017 at First Baptist Church, Granbury. Interment: Holly Hills Memorial Park. Memorials may be made to the Vircenoy Baker Macatee Memorial Fund at First Baptist Church, Granbury.

Vircy was born Sept. 17, 1923 in the Acton Community in Hood County and lived the younger years of her life in Mitchell Bend. She was the daughter of Oran Christopher Baker and Fern May Barker Baker. She married Johnnie Marvin Macatee on June 3, 1951 in Houston. She had been a Christian since 1939 and was baptized the third Sunday in Oct. in Jones Hole of the Brazos River.

She retired after 33 years of employment with Exxon Corp. and returned to Granbury in 1981. After Vircy returned to Granbury she was active in the historical preservation of Hood County serving in Hood County Historical Society and Hood County Historical Commission. She also served on the board of the Hood County Committee on Aging for 22 years. Vircy was a faithful supporter of the Bridge Street History Center.

She edited and published a history written by her great grandfather, Wilson Hopkins Barker in 1911 about the living conditions for the first settlers in the area. She also wrote and published a history of the family of each of her parents: An Expanded Genealogy of the Baker Family and Related Lines and An Expanded Genealogy of the Barker Family and Related



Lines. Vircy was active in the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, San Jacinto Descendants, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Daughters of the American Revolution and the Colonial Dames XVII Century.

She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star for 60 plus years, having been initiated Sept. 9, 1950. Vircy filled every station in the Granbury Chapter #530 and also served as Deputy Grand Matron, Grand Chapter of Texas. She also was a member of Women's Wednesday Club.

Vircy was preceded in death by her husband, Johnnie Dec. 18, 1998; father, Oran Baker July 20, 1975; mother, Fern May Barker March 4, 1992; and sister, Mary Geneva Gray Aug. 19, 1985.

Survivors: Brother, Oran Clinton (Boots) Baker and wife, Dorothy; and several nieces and nephews.

Martin's Funeral Home in Granbury is in charge of arrangements.

## David Coy Kiser

David Coy Kiser, 58, of Granbury, Texas passed away on September 20, 2017.

David was born in Sweetwater, Texas to Cecil Coy Kiser and Carolyn Jo Overman-Kiser. He spent much of his time growing up with his grandparents, Cecil and Jean Kiser and Peggy (Nanny) Overman, before graduating from Roby High School. On March 9, 2001, David married Shannon Clayton in Midland, Texas where they resided until 2010 when they moved to Granbury.

David has been a Drilling Superintendent for Big Dog Drilling for over 15 years and worked in the oil industry since the age of 18. He enjoyed fishing, boating and tubing and loved being near the water.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his beloved sister, Angela Kiser.

David is survived by his wife of 16 years, Shannon Kiser of Granbury; his two sons Justin Kiser of Austin, Texas and Dustin Kiser of Granbury; his brother John Kiser and his wife Camille of Midland; nephew Justin Kiser of Gainesville, Texas; two nieces Chere Kiser



of Gainesville and baby Isabelle Kiser of Midland.

Graveside services were conducted at Sylvester Cemetery in Sylvester, Texas at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 26, 2017 with Pastor E.C. Ice officiating.

The family wishes to recognize and give a big thanks to Bobby and Velta Kiser of Hamlin, Texas for all of their efforts in helping coordinate out of town services.

Online condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com

The deadline for obituaries is noon Monday for the Wednesday paper, and noon Thursday for the Saturday paper. Obituaries can be emailed to [obits@hcnews.com](mailto:obits@hcnews.com). If the deceased lived in Hood County, a standard obituary, under 200 words, is free in the Hood County News. A fee is applied for expanded or additional information.

## Barbara McPhaul

Barbara McPhaul, 81, of Granbury, Texas, died peacefully on September 18, 2017, with her family by her side.

Barbara was born in Lajunta, Colorado on March 8, 1936 to Jake and Joyce Geist. She was active in several organizations, including Girl Scouts, Desk & Derrick and the Red Hat Society. Barbara was a member of Acton Baptist Church. She was extremely selfless, generous and fiercely loved her family. She's survived by her daughters Cindy Rouille, Julie Black and her husband David, Patricia Green

and her husband James, grandchildren Andrew Rouille and Taylor Trello, Brandon Rouille and his wife Zoe, Amanda Black and her fiancé Mahfuz Ahmed, Jonathan Black, Elizabeth Black, Mark Dade and Chase Green and great grandson Oliner Rouille. There will be a private memorial service for the family. The family wishes to thank the staff at Harbor Lakes Nursing and Rehab for their incredible devotion and genuine care.

Arrangements by Martin's Funeral Home

## Betty Charmaine Breckenridge Boone

Betty Charmaine Breckenridge Boone, age 78, of Abilene, beloved wife, mother and sister, passed away peacefully on Sept 21, 2017 with her family at her side. She was a former resident of Granbury.

A Memorial Service will be held at the Granbury Church of Christ, Granbury, TX on Sept 29th at 10 a.m. In lieu of flowers, Charmaine's memory may be honored with a donation to Foster's Home for Children, PO Box 978, Stephenville, TX 76401. Charmaine worked tirelessly next to her husband Gene for 19 years for this organization.

Charmaine was born on November 1, 1938 in Carlsbad, New Mexico. She dedicated her life to her family and friends and working with children in Christian Child Care.

Charmaine was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and sister. She will be remembered for her charitable work and selfless sharing of her life. She was preceded in death by her parents, Aaron and Ruth Breckenridge. Survivors: Husband of 58



years, Gene Boone; sons, Larry and wife Karla Boone of Abilene, Tx., James and wife Teri of Abilene, Tx.; daughter, Jennifer Bray of Stephenville, Tx.; grandchildren, Brittany Forrester and husband Cody, Kelsey Ishmael and husband Ryan, Carson Boone and fiancé Addison Fratt, Ashlee Boone, Cade and Brazes Bray; great grandchildren, Trenton and Riley Rue Forrester; sister, Susie Erickson and brother-in-law Rick.

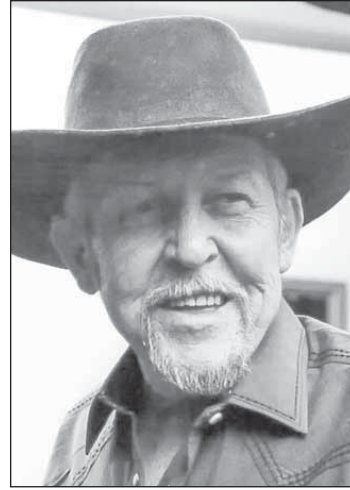
Wiley Funeral Home made arrangements.

## William Dale John

William Dale John, 64, of Tolar, passed away Saturday, Sept. 23, 2017 in Granbury. Services to be held at a later date.

Dale was born March 12, 1953 in Long Beach, CA. to William Houston and Marcella Faye Green John. He married Kim John Dec. 29, 2016 in Las Vegas. He retired from the U.S. Army in 1992 as a First Sergeant after 20 years of service. After retirement, Dale loved racing cars and when he wasn't racing, he enjoyed fishing. He was a die-hard Dallas Cowboys fan and enjoyed cooking and making his own recipes. He was preceded in death by granddaughter, Shelby.

Survivors: The love of his life, his wife Kim who he adored so much; best friend, his dog Chloe; children, Elisa and husband George, Patricia and husband Terry, Roy Dale and wife Kyla and Ernest and Connie; brother, Richard; sisters, Con-



nie and Patricia; grandchildren, Mikayla and Roy Dale Jr.; several nieces and nephews; many fellow soldiers who he served with in the Army; close friends and neighbors, Robert and Deborah.

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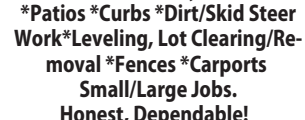
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Granbury Independent School District will accept competitive sealed proposals until 12:00 p.m. On October 2nd, 2017 for Day of Service T-Shirts under bid 2017-1020. Proposals will be submitted online in the Granbury ISD eBid System. Vendors may login to view specifications and submit their response at the following link: <https://granbury.ionwave.net>

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Acton Tabernacle:  
 Semi-Annual Sale, 6 Families, Fri., Sept 29, 8am-5pm.

Sale! 505 Davis Rd. Fri-Sat Sept 29-30 8am til. Love Seat, floor vac., door side panels, housewares, clothes and more.

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