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After Dark group working to bring life to square at night

BY BETHANY KURTZ
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Granbury will be a little more vibrant after dark tonight, thanks to the efforts of local businesses.

That is because Granbury After Dark will begin on the square, said Sam Houston, manager for Granbury Live. In cooperation with Granbury Live and the Opera House, four restaurants on the square will stay open late to offer special after-show menus for those leaving the shows, or just not ready to head home for the night, he said.

"So many times, when the shows let out at 9 or 9:30 p.m., people want a cup of coffee or a desert and there was nothing," Houston said. "For people who live in Granbury, there is almost no place to eat after 8 p.m."

The Opera House and Granbury Live can pour more than a thousand people onto the square each weekend night, he said.

So he banded together with the Opera House, Visit Granbury, Historic Granbury Merchants Association, several local bed and breakfasts, and other community organizations and businesses to ask restaurant owners to fill the void, he explained.

So far, Farina's Winery and Cafe, Christina's Bistro, Ketzler's Schnitzel Haus and Biergarten, and Eighteen Ninety Grille and Lounge have agreed to stay open until 11 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, he said.

"Each place offers something a little different," he said.

After Dark is a community effort, he said. The restaurants will provide the place, and other businesses and community partners will encourage their customers to check them out, according to Houston.

So far, they have had a very enthusiastic response to the idea.

"People are excited they will be able to go to the movies and then stop somewhere on the way home," he said, "or even drive back from the Metroplex and be able to stop for food in town."

Saturday's beginning is only a glimpse at the potential, he said.

"I hope to see it grow as new ideas come up," he said.

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STRENGTH IN NUMBERS: Greg Corrigan enjoys his election victory with family members and supporters after winning the Place 6 seat on the Granbury City Council. Corrigan received 70 percent of the vote to incumbent Mickey Parson's 30 percent.



ALL SMILES: Trish Reiner happily accepts congratulatory good wishes after voters hand her the Place 4 seat on the Granbury City Council. Reiner won 77 percent of the vote to incumbent Rose Myers' 23 percent.

City incumbents unseated; school races are decided

BY KATHY CRUZ
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

In an Election Day upset, Granbury voters unseated two incumbents - including the city's mayor pro tem and longest-serving council member.

Both newcomers swept to victory with more than 70 percent of the vote, changing the dynamic of the City Council.

Voters also approved all seven constitutional amendments that were on the ballot and settled three school board races - two in Granbury and one in Tolar.

Numbers for both early voting and Election Day were less than a comparable election held in 2015, according to Elections Administrator Jenise "Crockett" Miller.

In 2015, 2,427 ballots were cast by mail and during the early voting period, and the total turnout, counting Election Day, was 6,299, according to Miller.

By comparison, early voting and mailed ballots numbered 1,792 for this election, and the total number of ballots, counting Election Day, came to 3,981.

That number represents a little more than 10 percent of the 38,508 registered voters in Hood County.

BIG NUMBERS, BIG WIN

In the Granbury City Council races, Granbury Chamber of Commerce board chair Trish

Reiner unseated Rose Myers from the Place 4 seat, and Greg Corrigan, a volunteer firefighter and chamber ambassador, took control of the Place 6 seat from Mickey Parson.

Parson, the mayor pro tem, has held that seat since May 2005. At 70, he is the oldest person on the City Council.

When Corrigan, 29, is sworn in along with Reiner at the City Council's regular meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 21, he will become the youngest member of the city's governing body.

Early vote and mailed ballot tallies released just after the polls closed at 7 p.m. indicated that both incumbents had likely been dealt a fatal blow.

Reiner received 82 percent of those ballots (607 votes) to Myers' 18 percent (135 votes).

Corrigan netted 73 percent of the early numbers (534 votes), a far greater share than Parson's 27 percent (201 votes).

There was little change in the vote splits when final numbers came in.

Reiner won 77 percent of the vote to Myers' 23 percent, and Corrigan snagged 70 percent of ballots cast to Parson's 30 percent.

GRANBURY ISD RACES

Banker Mike Moore won the three-person race for the Place 1 Granbury School Board seat

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Voters favor all constitutional amendments

Hood County approved all seven constitutional amendments that were on the ballot, as did the majority of Texas voters.

Here are the propositions that passed and the approval percentages both in Hood County and across the state.

Proposition 1

The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization for

less than the market value of the residence homestead and harmonizing certain related provisions of the Texas Constitution.

Hood County: 90 percent (3,477 for; 386 against)
Texas: 86 percent

Proposition 2

The constitutional amendment to establish a lower amount for expenses that can be charged to a borrower and removing certain financing expense limitations for a home equity loan, establishing certain authorized lenders to make a home equity loan, changing certain options for the refinancing of home equity loans, changing the threshold for an advance of a home equity

line of credit, and allowing home equity loans on agricultural homesteads.

Hood County: 76 percent (2,900 for; 908 against)
Texas: 69 percent

Proposition 3

The constitutional amendment limiting the service of certain officeholders appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Senate after the expiration of the person's term of office.

Hood County: 89 percent (3,439 for; 405 against)
Texas: 83 percent

Proposition 4

The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to require a court to provide notice to the attorney

general of a challenge to the constitutionality of a state statute and authorizing the legislature to prescribe a waiting period before the court may enter a judgment holding the statute unconstitutional.

Hood County: 73 percent (2,741 for; 1,011 against)
Texas: 64 percent

Proposition 5

The constitutional amendment on professional sports team charitable foundations conducting charitable raffles.

Hood County: 61 percent (2,282 for; 1,453 against)
Texas: 60 percent

Proposition 6

The constitutional amendment authorizing the legisla-

ture to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a first responder who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty.

Hood County: 89 percent (3,420 for; 430 against)
Texas: 85 percent

Proposition 7

The constitutional amendment relating to legislative authority to permit credit unions and other financial institutions to award prizes by lot to promote savings.

Hood County: 59 percent (2,219 for; 1,552 against)
Texas: 60 percent

Sheriff, police chief: Most churches have shooter plan

BY KATHY CRUZ
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Had the First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs had a security team, Devin Patrick Kelley might have been spotted - and the congregation alerted - before he ever walked through the door last Sunday carrying an AR-556 semi-automatic rifle.

Kelley killed 26 people and injured 20 that day as he walked from pew to pew, committing the deadliest mass shooting in an American house of worship in modern history.

As the horror was playing

out 30 miles east of San Antonio, security teams in many of Hood County's churches were quietly guarding worshippers.

Some churches, such as Lakeside Baptist, have had safety plans in place for years - prompted, according to Sheriff Roger Deeds, by the Wedgwood Baptist Church shooting in Fort Worth in September 1999.

Larry Gene Ashbrook killed seven people, including four teenagers, and injured seven others during a teen prayer rally.

Over the years, other local churches have formed security teams as incidents of mass

shootings have increased.

Most of the volunteers are current or retired law enforcement.

Deeds said that he and Granbury Police Chief Mitch Galvan spoke last year to a packed gathering of the Hood County Ministerial Alliance, which had requested they speak on the topic of church security.

"We've been on top of that for quite a while now," Deeds said of Hood County's level of preparedness.

Still, last Sunday's tragedy prompted a new spate of calls to Deeds from church leaders - including, Deeds said, his own

pastor.

"Pastor Drew is coming to see me in the morning," the sheriff said Tuesday.

Both the sheriff's office and the police department provide free active shooter training to any businesses, churches or schools that request it.

Deeds and Galvan did not provide details on how security is provided at churches so as not to tip off anyone with evil intentions.

Galvan stressed that it is important for there to be continued training for the volunteer teams.

"Over half of the people are

going to freeze," he said, adding that the more training a person receives, the more likely it is that they will fall back on it in an emergency situation.

Galvan said that even officers sometimes freeze in realistic training situations. He said that the best training involves fake bullets that aren't deadly, but leave a mark.

"If you're doing it right, it's like living the scenario," he said.

"Getting hit with rounds that hurt and leave a mark lets you know you just got shot. It's eye-opening. It gets very intense, very quickly."

Galvan said that trainings that give the best chance of survival involve "a lot of details" and "a lot of scenarios."

"You've got to be serious about it every day," he said.

Anyone wanting to schedule free active shooter training can contact Sgt. Cris Brichetto at the Police Department at 817-573-2648.

To schedule active shooter training through the sheriff's office, call 817-579-3316 and ask for Capt. Randy Ellis or Lt. Jon Berry.

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VETERANS DAY: Across the country, Americans will honor veterans today. The Granbury Veterans Day parade is today at 2 p.m. on the square. See special section inside and other veteran related stories on 9A and 1B.

AMUD president to file for commissioner seat

BY KATHY CRUZ
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

The filing period for the spring 2018 primary officially opens today, and AMUD Board of Directors President Ron Cotton plans to be among the first to submit paperwork.

Cotton is running for the Precinct 2 seat on the Hood County Commissioners Court, which currently is held by Butch Barton.

Barton told the Hood County News on Thursday that he will not be seeking a second term. "I'm 73," he said. "I've got a big bucket list."

Barton said he made the decision after meeting this week with Cotton, whom he feels is well qualified to take over. "He's a strong candidate," Barton said. "I've known Ron for many, many years."

Cotton retired after 34 years with the railroad. In addition to

his service on the board of the Acton Municipal Utility District, he served as president of the Pecan Plantation Homeowners Association.

"I have the time and the desire, and I'm willing to take on that task," Cotton said of serving on the Commissioners Court.

The filing period will close at 5 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 11.

Ten county races will be on the ballot.

In addition to the seat held by Barton, the Precinct 4 spot on the Commissioners Court will also be on the ballot.

Steve Berry, who has held that seat for 11 years, will not be seeking another term.

Other positions that will be on the ballot are: district judge, district clerk, county court-at-law judge, county clerk, county judge, county treasurer and peace justices for Precincts 2 and 3.

District Judge Ralph Walton and county Court-at-Law Judge Vincent Messina have announced that they will run for re-election.

County Judge Darrell Cockerham said that he will not be seeking a third term.

Former Granbury School Board member Kevin Myers, who has been IT director at Lake Granbury Medical Center since late 1998, has announced his intentions to seek that seat.

Dallas attorney and local ranch owner Ron Massingill, who is a member of the Hood County Sheriff's Posse, has also stated he wants the county judge job.

The Elections Administration office isn't open on Saturdays, so filing won't actually begin until Monday.

The primary will be Tuesday, March 6.

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ONE OF THE BEST: After placing in the top 10 at the state level, the Tolar High School band has reason to celebrate. It was the band's first year in class 3A competition with 197 schools. The band performs its Christmas concert at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 11, in the high school gym.

Wolf Hollow 1 to change ownership in bankruptcy

BY KATHY CRUZ
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Citing "historically low power prices" in the state, Exelon Generation Texas Power, a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of Exelon Corporation, on Tuesday filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

A prepared statement released by the corporation on the day of the filing announced a two-part plan.

"First, Exelon Generation has negotiated an agreement with EGTP's lenders that, pending a competitive bidding process and receipt of all necessary approvals, would allow Exelon Generation to continue to own and operate the Handley Generating Station in exchange for a \$60 million payment to the lenders," the statement read.

"Second, the lenders have agreed to exchange the debt they currently hold on EGTP's other four plants for equity in the plants, effectively taking ownership of these facilities."

The Handley plant is in Fort Worth.

The other four plants are the Wolf Hollow Generating Station 1 in Hood County and plants in Wharton, Dallas and La Porte near Houston.

According to RTO Insider, which provides coverage and analysis of the wholesale electric industry's markets and policy-making, Exelon officials said the bankruptcy filing was made to "offload most of a \$675 million loan due in September 2021."

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THS band finishes in the state's top 10

The Tolar High School Marching Band placed 10th in the Class 3A state finals Tuesday night in San Antonio. Twenty Class 3A bands competed at state.

In August, 197 Class 3A bands began the marching season.

"This marching season was one for the books!" said a jubilant Bobby Yerigan, Tolar band

director.

"In 2015 when we made state as a 2A, that was quite an accomplishment for this band," he explained.

"Making the state marching contest is a difficult task as it is, but then moving up a classification to 3A and competing with the likes of Clifton, Cameron Yoe, Whitesboro, Howe, Holliday, etc. this just does not hap-

pen this quickly."

When a school moves up to a larger classification, it can take some time to compete at that level.

"Somehow or some way, these kids missed that message and just jumped right in to the middle of it all," Yerigan said.

To finish in the top 10 in 3A was "absolutely the icing on the cake," Yerigan stated.

Work for the 2017 show actually began in the fall in October 2016.

"I knew the season was going to be a fun season with plenty of accolades, but I never dreamed we'd be in the Alamodome again in November for the second time in a row," he added.

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City may remodel public restrooms behind Opera House

The Granbury City Council has authorized City Manager Chris Coffman to look into remodeling the public restrooms behind the buildings on the south side of the square.

Council member Gary Couch requested the remodeling so that the public restrooms

can "reflect the same dedication and commitment as the square."

The city recently finished a largely grant-funded project on the square that involved lighting, landscaping and the widening of sidewalks.

ELECTION: Low turnout

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vacated by Chris Tackett.

Moore ended the night with 40 percent of the vote to Kim Cruz's 33 percent and Maureen Griffin's 29 percent.

Their vote totals, respectively, were: 1,371; 1,152; and 929.

Place 2 incumbent Barbara Herrington handily won re-election to the seat she has held since May 2005, beating opponent Dinae Hicks in a 73 percent to 27 percent vote split. Herrington netted 2,374 votes to Hicks' 865 votes.

Vote totals for the GISD races include a small number of bal-

lots from Johnson, Parker and Somervell counties.

TOLAR ISD CONTEST

Voters gave Rhonda Knight the nod of approval, handing her the Place 4 seat on the Tolar School Board over Matt Imel and Randy Turner.

Knight won 41 percent of the vote, which was 81 votes. Imel won 33 percent, or 65 votes, and Turner got 27 percent of ballots cast, which was 53 votes.

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MORAL SUPPORT: Though the evening ended in defeat for them both, Granbury City Council incumbents Mickey Parson and Rose Myers were upbeat at the city-sponsored "watch party" at American Town Hall.

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Lonestar Prospects, LTD, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 83982, which would authorize continued operation of a sand mining and processing plant located at 3549 Monroe Highway, Granbury, Hood County, Texas 76049. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

ELECTION TOTALS

Here are the early voting and Election Day totals and percentages, provided by the county's Elections Administration office. Early voting numbers include mailed ballots.

GRANBURY CITY COUNCIL

Place 4
Early voting
Trish Reiner 607 81.81%
Rose Myers (I) 135 18.19%

Final
Trish Reiner 870 77.06%
Rose Myers (I) 259 22.94%

Place 6
Early voting
Mickey Parson (I) 201 27.35%
Greg Corrigan 534 72.65%

Final
Mickey Parson (I) 334 29.61%
Greg Corrigan 794 70.39%

GRANBURY ISD

Place 1
Early vote
Kim Cruz 452 27.90%
Maureen Griffin 470 29.01%
Mike Moore 698 43.09%

Final
Kim Cruz 1,152 33.37%
Maureen Griffin 929 26.91%
Mike Moore 1,371 39.72%

Place 2
Early vote
B. Herrington (I) 1,147 74.93%
Dinae Hicks 392 25.47%

Final
B. Herrington (I) 2,374 73.29%
Dinae Hicks 865 26.71%

*Final tallies include a small number of votes from Johnson, Parker and Somervell counties.

TOLAR ISD

Place 4
Early vote
Rhonda Knight 16 34.04%
Matt Imel 14 29.79%
Randy Turner 17 36.17%

Final
Rhonda Knight 81 40.70%
Matt Imel 65 32.66%
Randy Turner 53 26.63%

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DISTRACTED DRIVING: The driver of this truck told State Troopers he was driving while distracted when he drove his vehicle into a trash truck in the oncoming lane. The trash truck driver was not injured. The distracted driver was flown to the hospital with serious injuries but was able to talk to troopers.

Distracted driving ends in head-on collision

BY BETHANY KURTZ
 HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Distracted driving resulted in a man colliding head-on with a trash truck Wednesday morning, according to the driver's statement to Texas Highway Patrol.

That driver, Michael Halder, 31, of Granbury, was flown to a Fort Worth hospital with serious injuries, according to Texas Highway Patrol Staff Sergeant Dub Gillum.

The driver of the trash truck,

Progressive Waste Solutions employee Gary McCormick, 70, of Granbury was uninjured, Gillum said.

The crash occurred at approximately 5:30 Wednesday morning on State Highway 144 near the entrance to Rock Harbor.

Halder was traveling south on 144 in a 2002 Ford truck, Gillum said. The trash truck was traveling north on 144 in the left lane.

Halder told troopers he was distracted and drove across the center turn lane and into on-

coming traffic, Gillum said.

He swerved to get back into his lane but struck the trash truck head-on.

The road was shut down for several hours to clear the incident, Gillum said.

The accident occurred in a 55 mile per hour zone and the roadway was wet from rain at the time, he said.

The crash is under investigation by the Texas Highway Patrol, Granbury.

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FELONY ARRESTS

Twenty-one felony arrests were made Nov. 2 - 8 according to Hood County law enforcement records.

Suspects were arrested in Hood County, but their alleged crimes may have occurred outside the county.

- Tricia Michelle Biscardi, 29, Granbury, possession of a controlled substance penalty group three, less than 28 grams; and possession of a controlled substance penalty group one, less than 1 gram.

- Dell Everette Burkeen, 42, Granbury, manufacturing/delivery of a controlled substance penalty group one, more than 4 grams but less than 200 grams; and theft of property, more than \$100 but less than \$750.

- Katherine Woffard Curtis, 54, Granbury, aggravated assault on a family/housemember with a weapon.

- Bryan Neal Finley, 39, Tolar, assault on a family/house member impeding breath.

- Amber Larene Franklin, 29, Fort Worth, driving while intoxicated with a child under 15 years old and resisting arrest/search/transportation.

- Jacob David Guerra, 27, Granbury, driving while license invalid with previous conviction/suspension; possession of a controlled substance penalty group one, more than 1 gram but less than 4 grams; and possession of a controlled substance penalty group three, less than 28 grams; possession of a dangerous drug; and possession of marijuana.

- Stacie Corina Guzman, 41, Granbury, possession of a controlled substance penalty group one, less than 1 gram.

- Turner Leon Hodges, 59, Granbury, driving while intoxicated third.

- Jason Lee Killian, 32, Granbury, violation of parole.

- Cody Thorp Lamb, 47, Granbury, theft of property more than or equal to \$750 but less than \$2,500 and violation of parole.

- Joseph Perry Madruga, 41, Dublin, three warrants for credit card or debit card abuse.

- Justin Colby McFarland, 30, Granbury, theft more than \$1,500 but less than \$20,000.

- Christopher John Pena, 34, Granbury, possession of a controlled substance penalty group one, less than 1 gram; and possession of a controlled substance penalty group three, less than 28 grams.

- Alex Adnan Qasem, 31, Granbury, violation of parole.

- Steven Wilson Rivera, 51, Granbury, possession of a controlled substance penalty group one, more than 4 grams but less than 200 grams.

- Roberto Antonio Sanchez, 36, Granbury, aggravated sexual assault of a child and a traffic offence.

- Jeffery Scott Shewmaker, 42, Sterling, Michigan, possession of a controlled substance penalty group one, more than 1 gram but less than 4 grams.

- Robert Jay Shipman, 32, Granbury, possession of a controlled substance penalty group one, less than 1 gram and a health and safety violation.

- Kevin Owen Thedford, 55, Grand Prairie, manufacturing/delivery of a controlled substance penalty group one, more than 4 grams but less than 200 grams; and violation of parole.

- Christine Page Walker, 35, Granbury, possession of a controlled substance penalty group one, less than 1 gram.

- Billy Rahn Welch, 55, Granbury, possession of a controlled substance penalty group one, more than 1 gram but less than 4 grams; traffic offence; and health and safety violation.

Black Angus calf stolen

Hood County Crime Stoppers and the Hood County Sheriff's Office need help solving a theft.

On or around Oct. 23, a suspect went onto a property on Paluxy Highway south of Granbury.

The suspect stole a black Angus calf valued at approximately \$600.

Anyone with information is encouraged to call Hood County

Crime Stoppers at 817-573-8477 or go online to submit a tip at www.hoodcountycrimestoppers.com.

All tips remain anonymous. If a tip leads to an arrest and indictment, tipsters could receive up to a \$1,000 reward.

Reports can also be made using the Crime Stoppers app that can be downloaded from the Apple App Store or Google Play.

Lawman: Husband chokes wife during argument

Around 9 p.m. Monday, deputies went to Harkins Court just north of the Somervell County line for a disturbance call, said sheriff's office Public Information Officer Lt. Johnny Rose.

They found Bryan Neal Finley, 39, of Tolar, had choked his 42-year-old wife during an argument, according to Rose.



Finley

The victim was not seriously injured, he said, and Finley was arrested and charged with assault family violence/choking, a third-degree felony with a

\$7,500 bond.

Traffic stop nets drug arrest

Around 3 p.m. Tuesday, sheriff's office deputies stopped a vehicle at Pago Pago Court and Ports O' Call Court south of Granbury, said sheriff's office Public Information Officer Lt. Johnny Rose.

During the stop, deputies found Billy Rahn Welch, 54, of Granbury, had 2.3 grams



Welch

of methamphetamine, Rose said.

Welch was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance, a third-degree felony with a \$10,000 bond.

Wife threatens husband with rifle over hunting trip

Deputies were called in when a potential hunter became the hunted on Sunday evening.

Around 11 p.m. deputies were sent to a disturbance on Paluxy Trail south of Granbury, said sheriff's office Public Information Officer Lt. Johnny Rose.

Deputies were told Katherine Woffard Curtis, 54, of Granbury, became upset with her 63-year-old husband over a pending hunting trip. Curtis threatened her husband with a 30/30 caliber rifle, Rose said.

No one was injured during the incident, he said.

Curtis was arrested and charged with family violence/aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, a first-degree felony with a \$25,000 bond.



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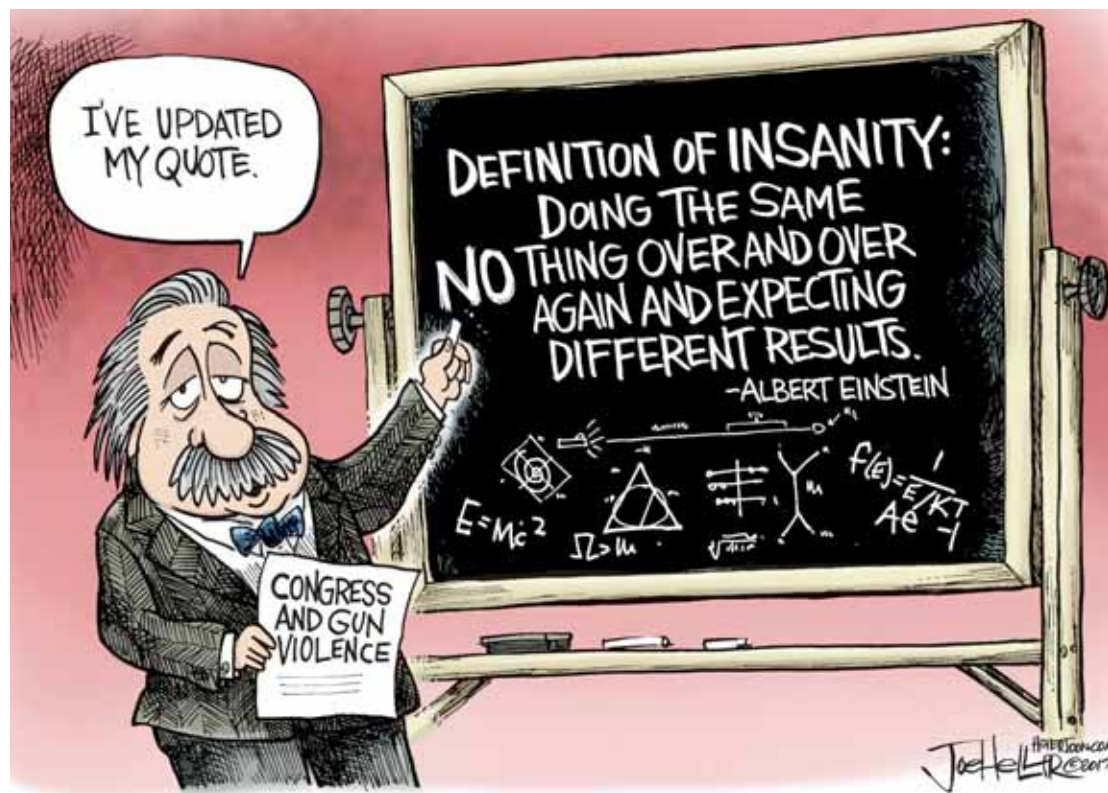
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JOE HELLER



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

WE MUST DO WHAT WE CAN

Once again, a lone gunman with several weapons of mass destruction fired over 400 rounds into a church group of innocent people.

Once again, the dominant political party has cried out that it is too soon to be talking about bringing these senseless slaughters to an end.

There is nothing that we can do for the innocent men, women and children who were murdered by this gunman, and there is probably little we can do to improve the safety of everyone who survived the shootings, but we must do what we can.

The United States is one of the most violent nations on earth. We idolize violent sports such as boxing, wrestling, martial arts, hockey and football.

At least none of these sports result in frequent deaths. They usually inflict only brain injuries, broken bones, torn ligaments and dislocated joints.

Our nation has a morbid interest in computer games involving gun violence. Many television shows, movies and novels glamorize violence.

When a tragic event such as the massacre of a small Texas church happens, it is usually the most televised event for a few days and then we move on to some other violent event.

The United States has been involved in a war against terrorism for the past 16 years, and we have trained hundreds of thousands of young Americans to believe that violence is an acceptable answer to solve problems.

It seems that anytime the U.S. confronts a difficult situation the knee-jerk reaction is to take military action that results in the death of many guilty parties, but there are also massive civilian casualties that are written off as collateral damage.

It is only natural that some misguided individuals decide that the best recourse for handling their problems is by following the examples set by our government and the overall approval of violence by our choices of entertainment.

The proliferation of weapons of mass destruction in the hands of individuals has enhanced the ability of these individuals to slaughter hundreds of innocent people.

We must take steps to regulate the millions of weapons in the hands of our citizens, and we must take steps to curb violence.

It is crucial that we learn that violence is not always the best way to solve our problems.

We must also ask ourselves, "How many innocent lives are we willing to sacrifice to preserve the sacrosanct 2nd Amendment?"

Steve Green
DeCordova

CHRISTIAN RESPONSE

I heard a wonderful sermon recently about how God can use us as an instrument to answer someone else's prayers.

The minister said that prayers are good and necessary. He said that if prayers are the only thing we can offer to remedy a situation, then pray; but, if we are able to follow prayers with action, we have a Christian duty to do so.

We all have the ability to back our prayers for shooting victims with action. When we fail to take action, we are guilty of not preventing the next incident.

Please contact your representatives and demand sensible laws to prevent assault weapons from falling into the hands of people who suffer from mental illness.

It is the only acceptable Christian response.

Lanell Gonzales
Granbury

GARY'S A LEADER

It gives the writer no pleasure to send this letter criticizing the Hood County News. But your recent focus on Granbury City Councilman Gary Couch's accidental oversight on incidental property taxes, most of which did not even involve Hood County, really seems to border on harassment of a public official.

We have worked with Gary on a number of civic projects benefiting our community, the most notable being the leadership he provided raising money from the public for enhancement and finish-out for remodeling of our Opera House.

In any number of Council meetings Gary has been a voice of steady reason, often in the face of a lot of senseless bluster. In the recent confusion concerning continuation of ongoing efforts to modernize our local airport, Gary Couch was able to focus on the long-term benefits for all of Hood County and was essential to the decision to push on.

In listing the civic achievements that have taken place in Granbury during the time Gary has served the City, he is not claiming these as his achievements alone. But we believe he has been among the more positive voices on each of the dozen noteworthy projects listed which have moved Granbury ahead as a quality, growing community.

In summary, it is difficult to understand why the Hood County News is indulging in what appears to be an excessive intrusion into the trivia of Councilman Gary Couch's private business affairs.

Charles Inge
Granbury

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Career action at Acton Elementary

Acton Elementary School was recently abuzz with a full itinerary of Career Day activities, which took place both inside and outside of the school. Dozens of speakers informed students about a wide variety of career oppor-

tunities that will be available to them when they grow up. Above, youngsters listen intently to Topp Racing's Tom Oppermann and examine the race car on display.

Celebrating this life we live

Veterans Day is bittersweet around our house.

With a father, father-in-law and a husband who are veterans, and a brother who will be one after his years of service are over, there is a lot to celebrate.

There's the fact that each one of them is still alive, and thus the paths of our lives were brought together and intertwined.

There's the element of wonder as we take the time to sit and listen to their stories once again, engraining the old ones deeper into our memories and picking up new ones.

There is a welling up of pride, that our family has given blood and years to protect our country, that makes everything seem a bit more dear to us.

But there is also sadness, for all the veterans who lost their battle with the wounds of war after coming home.

A foreboding because of the reality that my brother may never celebrate another Veterans Day, but be added instead to the list on Memorial Day.

While these feelings are not isolated to this day, today they

THINK ABOUT IT



Bethany Kurtz
Staff Writer

has found a way to remember and to carry on.

Some come alone, others with wives or children to support them. Others will come with service dogs who ease their way through life.

Some will travel on motorcycles, with first responder teams or other groups that have helped them find their purpose.

Some share freely of their memories, their friends and their experiences. Others are silent.

Whether you attend a parade, take the time to thank a veteran at the store or just say a prayer of thanks, I hope you

shine more clearly, unhindered by the toils of every other day.

On this day too, as our veterans gather at local events and are given a chance to share their stories, I also see how each

see Veterans Day as a celebration of life.

These brave men and women preserved the American Dream so we could pick our leaders, go to school and choose a religious establishment to attend.

They fought so that genocide and persecution are not constants but rare and heartbreaking abnormalities.

Most of these men and women decided to return to college or start a career. They often start from scratch to build their lives.

But most of them manage to succeed, contributing greatly to our economy, education, public service and social organizations. Taking advantage of opportunities from colleges and employers or creating their own path, they find new lives and new futures.

So today, take a moment to be thankful for your life and theirs.

And then tell a veteran that. Not just today, but every day after this one.

It would really mean a lot.

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The way we were...

At a time not so long ago - when smiling was a frequent response to something said or done - we were more relaxed, feeling that much was right with the world. Sadly, smiles have pretty much abandoned faces around our shrinking world.

Today, if Abbott and Costello somehow reappeared on earth with their best verbal exchanges about "who's on first," there'd be quick searches for strait jackets instead of readings on laugh meters.

Most comments from "quotable" people, whether in the world of politics, business, sports or entertainment, are sharp-edged.

Gentle souls seeking restorative humor from yesteryear are in short supply...

A single quote, forwarded via email by a friend from college days, affected me warmly. He's long been known for his quick wit, as well as occasional acerbic tendencies.

In the autumn of his life, he's digging through historic files of humorous quotes that once caused the world to rock with laughter.

The one he sent is timely, since Americans whose interest in baseball shot upward in all time zones due to the intensity and excitement provided by the 2017 World Series.

A part of me is hesitant to share my friend's "find," since there's clearly an envy factor to admit. Not only is he extremely sharp, he resides in swanky digs across the pond, unless he's sailing the high seas. Whichever, his "location du jour" is such that he thumbs through files in utmost comfort.

A drumroll, please, for this

THE IDLE AMERICAN



Don Newbury
Guest columnist

denizen of a high-end world, whose favorite sports quote was a sterling response from a baseball umpire about a century ago. It is credited to one Bill Klem, who worked a record 18 World Series...

He was behind the plate when a rookie pitcher complained about a pitch he thought to be a strike. Klem thought otherwise.

The batter was one Rogers Hornsby, thought by many baseball experts to be the best hitter of all time.

The "judge and jury" calling balls and strikes responded in classic fashion - his few words carefully chosen and rolling off his tongue into a vault of classic quotes worthy of "smile consideration" in 2017.

He countered, "Son, when you throw a strike, Mr. Hornsby will let you know." (Hornsby was a native of Winters, Texas)...

My friend's collection also includes current quotes.

An example is a response to recent allegations that NBA basketball king LeBron James is cheap.

My buddy agrees, figuring James would climb over a gate to save the hinges. Never mind he's paid 32 million in U.S. dollars annually, not counting millions more for endorsements. Still, he chooses a phone app with advertisements to save money....

I have long believed that the more eccentric people are, the more likely they are to be quotable. Near the top of the list of eccentric coaches was the late Rick Majerus, best known when he coached the Utah Utes to the 1996 NCAA tournament's "final four" for a losing effort against powerful Indiana University coached by the fiery Bobby Knight.

Portly, bald and a hotel resident throughout his adult life, the bachelor's wit was keen, sharp and usually self-effacing.

When he had open-heart surgery, it required seven bypasses. He claimed "one for each food group."

He thought maybe his burial should be at the finish line of Churchill Downs, so he could be "run over one more time."

Pointing out that Indiana had four McDonald's All-Americans, Majerus said four of his players were from towns so small, they didn't even have a McDonald's.

Majerus managed to keep life in perspective. Sadly, he died too soon at age 64, and left no clones.

Too bad he and Klem (no relation to Red Skelton's Klem Kadiddlehopper) left no clones - at least none that I know of. I'll ask my friend; he'll enlighten me after dressing me down for suggesting he ever has acerbic tendencies...

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YOUR TURN

Do churches need security?



James D. Everette

"I think they ought to have security. It's a sick situation to go to church for worship and end up getting killed."



Robert Kersey

"Yes. Churches have what the intelligence community refer to as soft targets. That's the kind of targets terrorists prefer."



Jenna Neagle

"Yes. Schools have to have security to protect our children. People in church need protection too. Look at how many children died last Sunday."



Linda Lemmons

"Yes. I work for a large church and we are very aware of security needs. We do have a security team."

Horticulture

Plant your roots

Select easy-care trees

In Texas, fall is the best time to plant trees.

The cooling weather allows trees to develop strong roots before summer's hot, dry days.

Trees are among the easiest landscape plants to maintain. Aside from water, an appropriate planting site and well-drained soil, they demand little for the many benefits they provide.

Houses with 50 percent of their roof shaded by trees can save up to half on their air conditioning bills.

Trees also provide shade to the plants growing beneath them. Consequently, plants growing in shade only require about half the water as they would if growing in sun. Aside from cost savings, trees also provide beauty, structure and privacy.

When selecting trees, choose those that are native or well-adapted to North Central Texas weather conditions (Zone 7 or 8). In addition, select trees that will thrive in the site where they will be planted. Site considerations include soil structure, drainage, slope, shade/sun, wind, soil acidity or alkalinity and water availability.

Another critical site consideration is space. A common gardening mistake is choosing a tree that will outgrow its space. Know a tree's expected size at maturity before purchasing and planting. Check vertical as well

GARDEN PATCH



Phyllis Webster

as horizontal growth.

Some trees are considered "small" due to their expected height, but their spread is too wide for small yards. Be sure to measure the distance from

walkways, buildings and driveways to allow for tree limbs to spread without the need for constant trimming.

A sampling of small, medium and large-sized trees for area landscapes includes:

CHASE TREE (VITEX)

This outstanding multi-trunked tree boasts long, blue-purple bloom spikes for up to five months late spring through summer. Butterflies and bees flock to this tree, which prefers to grow in full sun. Cultivars are available with white or pink flowers. Vitex, which is deciduous, grows quickly to a height of 10 to 15 feet. It also grows wide, with a spread of 15 feet or more. Give it room to grow!

CHINESE PISTACHE

This medium-sized tree grows quickly, but it is durable. It attains an average size of 20 feet to 40 feet tall with a canopy spread to 30 feet in very good conditions. This de-



PHYLLIS WEBSTER

BALD IS BEAUTIFUL: Bald cypress is an easy-to-grow tree that produces striking bronze fall foliage. Fall is the best time to plant trees in Texas. The cool weather allows trees to develop strong roots before summer's hot, dry days. Select trees that are native or well-adapted to North Central Texas weather conditions (Zone 7 or 8).

ciduous shade tree tolerates poor, rocky soils and harsh urban environments. Once established, Chinese pistache is drought and pest/disease resistant. Although gangly when young, these trees develop a nice, rounded crown. In fall, the tree's leaves turn shades of orange and yellow.

BUR OAK

One of many native oaks, this deciduous tree grows into a tough and durable specimen

that is tolerant of poor soils and low rainfall. It adapts to a wide range of soil types. Give this beauty room to grow to its mature height of 60 feet to 80 feet. It has a slow to moderate growth rate, but it is long-lived. Bur oak produces very large acorns. It is resistant to oak wilt disease.

For answers to your horticulture questions, please call the Texas AgriLife Extension, Hood County at 817-579-3280.

Education



COURTESY

READING BEE CHAMP: Acton Elementary School second-grader Averri Taylor (center) is pictured (from left) with her mother Kristen Taylor, reading bee coordinator Melinda Winterbauer and AES instructional specialist Maggie Walton.

Acton pupil advances to Texas Reading Bee

Averi Taylor, a second-grader at Acton Elementary School, will be representing Granbury ISD at the 17th Annual Texas Reading Bee Championship.

Taylor won the district competition Monday at Emma Roberson Elementary School that also included other campus winners:

Baccus Elementary School: Kasen Engel.

Mambrino School: Riley Shook.

Oak Woods School: Chloe Reagan.

Roberson Elementary School: Haley Derington.

For the competition, students are judged in three ar-

reas: accuracy (number of correct words), fluency (number of correct words per minute), and comprehension (number of correct answers to two explicit and one implicit questions) of high school-level readings.

Sponsored by Score A Goal In The Classroom school incentive program, the championship will feature winners from several Dallas-Fort Worth area school districts. Over 70,000 North Texas second-graders participated in this year's competition.

The Texas Reading Bee will be held on Saturday, Dec. 9 in Fort Worth.

Lipan looking at 2A in two years?

Growing student enrollment in the lower grades could jump Lipan to the next classification in two years.

Superintendent Cindy Edwards believes Lipan will remain Class A for the next two years, but she added, "The numbers coming up in junior

high and earlier grades will more than likely push us over the classification threshold in the following realignment."

Lipan turned in a high school enrollment of 96 for the next reclassification, which will be announced in early February.

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In final scrimmage, Pirates debut new look

BY GRANT MCGALLIARD
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

The Granbury Pirates are going to be a very, very annoying team for opponents this season.

That's a compliment, by the way. In a scrimmage against Saginaw at home on Thursday night, the Pirates displayed the new look head coach David Breazeale foresaw them using before the season started. Granbury spread the floor, played up-close, man-to-man defense, and knocked down shots from the outside with regularity.

Saginaw was Granbury's final preseason opponent before the Pirates open up the regular season against Aledo on Tuesday night. The two teams didn't keep score for the whole game, with the scoreboard resetting at the end of each quarter.

Granbury's starters played the entire first and third quarters. The bench played all of the second period, and the Pirates substituted freely during the fourth quarter.

Senior Michael Horne, who played more of a small forward role last season for Granbury, slid into a power forward role on Thursday night. Horne displayed the same silky midrange jumper he had last season, and was able to get to the rim with regularity against Saginaw.

That was no small task. Breazeale said Saginaw was much bigger and better than last year when the two teams scrimmaged.

Defensively, Granbury was at a disadvantage for most of the game, as the Rough Riders were bigger at nearly every position than the Pirates. So Granbury did what Breazeale said they'd

have to - they did everything they could just to stay in front of Saginaw, and made the opposition lower their shoulder to get to the basket.

As a result, Granbury drew plenty of offensive fouls, stopping Saginaw possessions.

When the bench came in during the second quarter, Joseph Schmidt caught fire. The senior had 3 three-pointers in the quarter, launching some from deep behind the arc.

The starters didn't lack for three-point shooting, either. Cade Dudley, the starting point guard, had 3 three-pointers of his own.

Dudley also did a good job of managing the press break. Saginaw threw on a full-court press on occasion, and the Pirates were able to get through and find open looks several times.

Senior Kyle Beck made several hustle plays to keep possessions alive and stop Saginaw drives.

The game may have been unofficial, but it was easy to see the competitive nature of both sides emerge as the scrimmage proceeded. The first two quarters were relaxed - some of the referees working the game were new hires in training, and the coaches were content to let them work through their troubles.

But in the fourth quarter, it was clear how badly each team wanted to "win." Granbury jumped out to a big lead in the fourth, but Saginaw closed on a 15-0 run that impressed Breazeale and unofficially handed the game to the Rough Riders.

Granbury is ready for the season to begin. The Pirates know



ON THE BREAK: Granbury senior Kyle Beck leads a fast break during the Pirates' final preseason scrimmage against Saginaw on Thursday night. Scores were not officially kept, but the teams kept an even pace with each

other all night, and Granbury's bench outscored Saginaw's in the second quarter when the starters sat. The Pirates begin their season Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. against Aledo.

their issues - defensive rebounding and interior defense chief among them.

But they know their strengths

too. Granbury is a great shooting team, they hustle hard, and they're well-coached.

Now they just have to show

that in a real game.

Granbury and Aledo will tip off at 7:30 p.m. from James Wann Sports Center at Gran-

bury High School. The Lady Pirates will host Stephenville before that at 6:15 p.m.

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The eyes of Texas

Tolar's Warren Miller signs to compete in pole vaulting at the University of Texas in Austin on Wednesday, while his family (left to right) Jenise "Crickett" Miller, Scotty Miller, and Wesley Miller look on. Warren was also considering Northeastern and Air Force, but de-

clined on Texas, where his dad Scotty also pole vaulted for the Longhorns. Miller is the defending UIL 3A state champion in the pole vault, and won bronze in the 2A competition his sophomore year. He plans on majoring in either graphic design or engineering in college.



COURTESY JEFF MEADOR/GRANBURY ISD

Headed to Tarleton

Granbury's Kade Turnage signs a national letter of intent to play baseball at Tarleton State University on Wednesday as his father Kenneth Turnage (front left), mother Denise Turnage (front right), and coaches Brad Eppler (back left) and Danny Guidry (back right) look

on. Turnage will play first base for the Tarleton Texans. He credited the Granbury baseball program for teaching him that "hard work always pays off." He plans on majoring in marketing, and said he can't wait to get started playing collegiate baseball.

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BACK IN BUSINESS: Santana Martinez (00) leads a Lipan Indians team that is excited to get back on the court and defend its UIL 1A state championship. Lipan returns seven players from the state title team, including se-

niors Martinez, Ty Phillips and Ty Bryant, but will seek to replace two big bodies in Derrick Cook and Tate Phillips in the post. The intense defensive pressure Lipan put on teams last season will be key yet again.

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Indians look to repeat as state champs

BY GRANT MCGALLIARD
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

The Lipan Indians know the rest of the state is coming for them.

And why not? Lipan decimated nearly every team they played last season en route to a 34-3 record and the UIL 1A state basketball championship.

This is the third year in a row that the Indians are ranked No. 1 in UIL 1A basketball.

But, despite knowing that they're now the main target of every 1A school in Texas, the Indians might have had more pressure on them last year.

"I believe there was more pressure on us last year to get it done, especially after the disappointment from the year before," Lipan head coach Brent Gaylor said.

That year, in 2015-16, with a similar roster to the one that

brought home a state title, the Indians were knocked out in the regional semifinal round by Avinger.

Lipan avenged that title, though - the team called last year a "revenge tour" - and they're primed to win another one this season. But it won't be an easy task, as the Indians are losing two senior starters in Derrick Cook and Tate Phillips.

Losing Cook and Phillips "will definitely affect" how Gaylor plans for opponents.

"It's hard to replace 6'7" and 6'5" players," he said. "For the past two years we were always able to keep at least one 6'7" player on the floor to protect the rim.

"That won't always be the case this year. Backup center Josh Boucher has had a good summer and I think by the end of the district rolls around he will be giving us some good minutes

off the bench."

Even with the loss of Tate Phillips and Cook - and with the addition of Boucher - Lipan still returns plenty of talent. Guards Santana Martinez and Ty Phillips return, as does junior forward Ty Bryant, the championship game MVP.

All told, Gaylor will have plenty of players to throw at opposing teams.

"We got seven guys back from last year that are going to log most of the minutes," he said. "I think some of the returning guys are going to surprise some people simply by their roles expanding this year."

The Indians are certainly challenging themselves in the non-district schedule. Lipan is playing several teams far above the 1A classification, including 4A Mineral Wells and 5A Fort Worth South Hills.

Lipan made a killing last year

on the full-court press, harassing teams into mistakes and keeping the tempo at a lightning-quick pace. The Indians still have plenty of length and wingspan at the guard and forward positions, so they haven't lost the ability to pressure opposing guards.

Defense "has always been our focus and always will be," Gaylor said. "We want to be the best 1A defensive team in the state."

That defense won Lipan a championship last season. Santana Martinez's steal against Happy in the closing seconds sealed the Indians' win, and the press wreaked havoc throughout the Lipan's playoff run.

So, yes, Lipan might just be the best 1A defensive team in the state yet again.

They also might be the 1A team in the state, full stop.

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PETS OF THE WEEK

Stella is a spayed female corgi/blue heeler mix, about three years old. She is mellow and sweet, and gets along well with other dogs and cats. She enjoys being with people and likes being petted.

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BY GRANT MCGALLIARD
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James Southerland, head coach of the TAPPS 1A four-time defending champion North Central Texas Academy Pioneers, has a "decent little group" coming back, he said. That might be just a slight understatement. Sure, the Pioneers are losing Marko Jovanovic and Luis Rivas, two cornerstones of last year's title team who are both now playing collegiate basketball. But NCTA returns perhaps the most talented team in TAPPS 1A, headed by Strahinja Ivic, Austin Ngalia, Marc Langston, Marko Kovacevic and some new talent that moved into school over the break. For Southerland, getting all of the new players, many of whom come from different countries, accustomed to life in the United States is his biggest challenge. "We're just trying to get them to understand what we're trying to do," he said. Ivic, who has played three years at NCTA, has been a big help in that regard. Southerland can use him as an example, and lean on him to help the new players. In addition to acclimating to American high school life, NCTA's players also have to battle preseason expectations. The Pioneers are one of the favorites to win the title yet again, which Southerland said is a pressure

his teams are used to. "It's always been like that," he said. "They know they're the team to beat." "We can't take nights off. You could have a terrible shooting night, and the other team could shoot lights out. We have to respect everybody we play against." Respecting opponents won't be a problem early on in the season for the Pioneers. NCTA has scrimmaged 5A teams, including Aledo and Everman, and have games scheduled against 4A Glen Rose and 3A Dublin. In practice sessions, Southerland has tried to "set an atmosphere" of competitiveness. "Somebody has to step up," he said, in order to replace the losses of Rivas and Jovanovic. The Pioneers still don't have all of their players in practice yet, even though they've been in session for three weeks. Langston, for example, is currently performing at an all-state level at wide receiver and cornerback for the football team. With the players that he does have available, Southerland is focusing on running the floor in practice and using his team's athleticism to put up points. NCTA may have every other team in TAPPS 1A eyeing them. But beating the best is a lot easier said than done, and after last season, there's no doubt the Pioneers are the best. Now they just have to go out and prove it.



SARAH SCHULTZ

DRIVE FOR FIVE: North Central Texas Academy's Austin Ngalia will help the Pioneers seek their fifth straight TAPPS 1A state title this season. Ngalia's post presence will be key for the Pioneers, especially after losing all-state selections Marko Jovanovic and Luis Rivas to graduation.

Winter fishing is upon us

What is the best time to fish around a cold front? Our discussion today is for those folks who can choose their fishing days. Choosing these potentially better fishing days can make the day more worthwhile - assuming, of course, that the fish will cooperate. There are many different factors that can affect the fish bite, but knowing how the weather impacts the bite can be to your advantage. These weather changes are generally more frequent in the winter. The winter season, despite the cold, is also a great time for catching striped bass and many other species. Dealing with the passing of cool fronts is the norm in this season, and dealing with these weather changes is well worth it for many striper, largemouth and crappie anglers. Some of the biggest fish of the season are usually taken in this time frame. As most of us know, right before the cold front hits is probably the best time for catching fish. The fish seem to know that it's time to feed before the higher pressure moves in. If you have an overcast sky before the front moves in, this can also be a great time for active striped bass. If the fish are biting right before the front, and the front pushes through while you are on the water, the bite will probably continue for

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a short while after the wind shift. Stripers holding deeper in the water column may be less impacted by the passage of the front. Striped bass have been known to bite often during nasty weather. The weather can be cold, rainy and miserable, but the fish seem to feed in this environment. Just be careful out there when the weather turns. After a front has just passed through, many anglers typically get back on the water (if they can pick their times) as soon as the wind shifts back from the south. Fish that have not been feeding during the high pressure may start biting at this time. If you don't have a choice and you get out after the front passes and the high pressure has settled in, you may have to alter your fishing pattern to get the fish to bite. Black bass may move out to deeper holes, and you may have to slow your presentation. Stripers normally gorge and then don't eat for a while. You may have travel to find active fish and place your bait on their nose.

We can never be sure what mode the fish are in regardless of the weather. Fish may bite on those "Blue Bird" days, contrary to all expectations. However, there are times that are generally more productive. The best thing to do is to wet your line and see if the fish will bite. Just be prepared for the weather. **HOOD COUNTY FISHING REPORT** The weather last week was essentially an Indian summer. Highs last week were near 90 degrees. Water temperatures are in the middle 60s in most areas. Granbury sand bass and small striper fishing continues to be good to excellent. Birds are pointing out the feeding fish to anglers. Slabs and little Georges are effective. Black bass continue to be good near midlake in shallow cover. Squaw Creek tilapia are excellent on worms. Folks continue to fill their coolers. Largemouth bass numbers are also excellent on soft plastics near main lake points. Limits of largemouth bass are common. On other reservoirs, Possum Kingdom stripers to 17 pounds are possible near Broadway and Hogs Bend on live bait. Whitney striper limits continue as well on live bait fished near McCown Valley.

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Lady Pioneers advance to volleyball state title match

BY GRANT MCGALLIARD
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The North Central Texas Academy Lady Pioneers will play for a state volleyball title. NCTA beat Wichita Falls Wichita Christian in three straight sets on Thursday evening at Waco Midway High School to advance to the Texas Association of Parochial and Private Schools Class 1A state title game. The Lady Pioneers have only lost two sets in four playoff matches, both of which came against Wichita Falls Christ Academy in the quarterfinal round. NCTA entered the playoffs with a 30-9 record and has beaten Longview St. Mary's Catholic, Irving StoneGate and the two Wichita Falls schools en route to the final round. Bulvedere Bracken Christian School won the other side of the bracket to earn the other slot in the championship game. The title match was scheduled for 3 p.m. Friday at Waco Midway. Check hcnews.com for results from that game.

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WWII vet's widow recalls how he saved others

BY BETHANY KURTZ
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Courage can't be predicted by physical characteristics - certainly not the missing fingers that prevented an eager young man from joining the fight in World War II, said June Williams.

Her now-deceased husband, Army Private First Class Ralph Williams, was awarded Bronze Stars and a Purple Heart for his service in Europe during the war, she said.

When the war first broke out, Ralph tried to join every branch, but was rejected because he was missing two fingers on his right hand, including his trigger finger, she said.

But by the end of the war, men were needed everywhere and he was drafted, June said. He was assigned to the medical unit of the 415th Infantry leading a group of 16 men who carried the wounded men to the hospitals in the rear, she said.

He earned one of the Bronze Stars on Feb. 23, 1945, when he saved 47 young men during a river crossing operation.

"Private Williams evacuated forty-seven casualties despite intense enemy fire, refusing to rest until all men had been evacuated after many hours of work," reads his official medal citation that hangs on his widow's wall. "By his courageous actions Private Williams saved the lives of many of his comrades."



COURTESY
TOGETHER AGAIN: June and Ralph Williams were reunited in 1945 while Ralph was recovering from a land mine blast.

Reading those words in her Granbury home still brings goosebumps all these years later, June said.

"He didn't quit until it was done," she said.

Ralph received his Purple Heart after he was wounded on a battlefield in Germany, she said. One of his litter bearers was killed by a land mine, June said, but Ralph refused to stop working.

"He led them back out. He ended up stepping on a mine. The bomb got him from his toes to his head on his right side. He had so many surgeries. They wanted to take his leg, but he refused to let them," she said.

Ralph was discharged by the fall of 1945, she said.

The couple had met and married on Valentine's Day in 1944 before he was sent to Europe, June said. They had been mar-

ried a month and a half shy of 52 years when Ralph died in 1995, she said.

"His mother introduced us," she recalled.

FINDING LOVE - AND HAPPINESS

June worked at a grocery store in a small Kentucky town. Every day, Rachel Wilson would come and buy four Coca-Colas, one for herself and one each for three friends.

"She came by on a Saturday and said, 'I want you to meet my son,'" June remembers. "Oh, he was so cute! He was in his Army uniform."

The young people said hello, and then Ralph left to take his mother to work, but returned to talk all afternoon, June said.

"He asked if he could walk me to my house. I said yes. He stayed talking so long he missed the bus and had to walk two miles home," she said.

"We saw each other at church on Sunday. We went skating on Tuesday, to the movies on Wednesday and he came to dinner on Thursday. Then he asked me to marry him," she said.

They were married seven months later when he came back on leave before being sent to Europe. People married quickly during the war because they were never sure there would be a tomorrow, she explained.

"I just loved and supported him and I would have walked through water or fire or whatever for him," June said.



COURTESY
SERVING HIS COUNTRY: Ralph Williams served in the Army medical division, carrying wounded soldier to the rear. He was awarded the Bronze Star for his bravery on the battlefield on Feb. 23, 1945.

"He wrote me every day, even if it was just hello on a scrap of paper. His letters were full of 'I love yous.'"

After Ralph came home and recovered, the couple had three boys and lived a full, happy life, she said, including living on a houseboat in California.

The couple was able to visit Europe in 1989, she said, and Ralph took her to several places he had served.

"In some of the towns, there

were buildings on the street, but if you went around the back, they had just built facade so it looked like there was a town," June said.

The lessons they learned during the war, to make the most of each day with their loved ones, guided their lives and their happiness, she said.

"We lived everywhere and did everything," she said. "We loved to go fishing and camping. Life was great."

Aquatathon at Y part of world-wide event

BY BETHANY KURTZ
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Hood County YMCA swimmers have a chance to join in a world-wide event today.

The World Wide Aquathon will have water aerobics participants in more than 50 countries jumping in to YMCA pools to promote awareness for issues in their community, said Hood County YMCA Aquatic Instructor Nancy Higgins.

"This is my first one," Higgins said. "I asked my regular water aerobics class if they wanted to do it, and they were excited."

The event is free and open to non-members as well, she said. Anyone 18 years or older can come ready to jump in the water for a three-hour workout and fun.

The event is from 9 a.m. to noon at the YMCA located at 1475 James Rd. The pool is indoor and heated, Higgins said.

The Hood County event will focus on raising awareness for water safety and preventing child drowning, she said.

There are many ways to access water in Hood County, she said, and making sure people don't lose their life during a fun excursion is a priority for the YMCA year-round.

There is not a fee to participate in the Aquathon, but donations to the annual campaign will be accepted, she said. People should come ready to swim and can bring water shoes if they have them.

Water, snacks and certificates will be given to each person that completes the three-hour event, Higgins said.

Krystal Geist, whose husband survived Benghazi, will speak at veterans event

BY DEBBIE SCHNEIDER
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Mark and Krystal Geist, founders of Shadow Warriors Project, have committed their lives to helping others. Specifically, they want to help contractors like Mark, who returned to

the states both mentally and physically wounded after the attack in Benghazi in 2012.

On Tuesday, Krystal is guest speaker for the Salute to Veterans program at 7 p.m. The Republican Women of Hood County are sponsoring the event at Granbury Resort Conference

Center, 621 E. Pearl St. Mark, also known as "Oz," served in the Marine Corps for 12 years and continued to serve America as a special operative contractor in some of the most dangerous places in the world.

After a full recovery from the Benghazi attack, Mark and Krys-

tal are now helping Americans through their efforts with the Shadow Warriors Project.

"After having almost lost my life and going through almost two years of surgeries and rehabilitation," Mark said, "My family and I have found that there is limited short term and virtually

no long term support system in place for the contractor."

The Shadow Warriors website states that a private security contractor, even with previous military service, is considered a civilian and does not receive the same support offered to injured active military or veterans.

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Joseph Charles Waechter

Joseph ("Joe") Charles Waechter, age 96, of Granbury, Texas, passed away on November 4, 2017. He was born in Canton, Ohio on November 28, 1920, to Francis and Clara Waechter.

Service will be at St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, 2301 Acton Highway, Granbury, TX on November 9 at 11:00 am. Private services will be held at Calvary Cemetery Mausoleum in Massillon, Ohio at a later date.

Joe graduated from McKinley High School in Canton, Ohio in 1938. He entered the U.S. Coast Guard August 28, 1942 in Cleveland, Ohio serving active duty from August 28, 1942 to November 23, 1945 in the North Pacific in World War II as Radioman 3rd Class.

While in the service, Joe hitch-hiked from Port Huron to Detroit, Michigan on November 14, 1942, to marry "Millie" Weigand.

He retired in 1978 after serving an honorable 33-year career as Superintendent of the U.S. Post Office in Canton, Ohio.

He resided in Granbury since 2000. Joe and Millie enjoyed their retirement years traveling extensively in their motor home throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico. They also enjoyed traveling in Europe.

He was a member of St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church in Granbury, TX.



Joe was preceded in death by his wife of 73 years, Mildred Isabel Waechter, son Father Ronald Waechter, brothers Donald and Robert Waechter and sisters Marge Brown, Jean Edelman, Elaine Langman and great grandson, Ryan Seay.

Joe exemplified a life of faith, integrity, honesty, commitment and love. He will be missed by his son Terry (Marlene) Waechter of Jackson, Ohio; daughter Carol (Michael) Seay of Granbury, TX; brother Paul Waechter of Canton, Ohio, 13 grandchildren and 30 great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to the charity of your choice.

Margaret Elizabeth McCool

Margaret "Marge" McCool age 81 passed away on Friday, November 3rd, 2017 at Senior Care of Harbor Lakes after a period of declining health. Marge was born in Coney Island, Brooklyn on August 29th, 1936, the daughter of William and Margaret Kick. She met her husband, Eugene "Gene" McCool at the Paramount Theatre in New York City and they married on March 2nd, 1957 in Brooklyn, New York.

Marge and Gene moved to Maine in 1974. After retirement, they moved to Port Charlotte, Florida where they resided until moving to Granbury in 2015. Marge was a natural care giver and spent most of her career in health care, retiring from Mercy Hospital in Portland, Maine.

Marge had a wonderful sense of humor and could always be counted on to make her family laugh. She enjoyed reading, Bingo and was a fierce Scrabble player. Sometimes her family would question if the words she used were real, but because of the honest person that she was, she always won the game. People enjoyed being in Marge's company because of her fun loving personality and genuine nature.

Marge is survived by her husband of over 60 years, Gene of Granbury, sons Eugene McCool of Louisiana, Thomas McCool and wife Rose of Granbury, Texas, daughters Lynne Grimes and husband Roger of Florida, Maureen LaSalle and husband Christopher of Portland, Maine and thirteen grandchildren including Matthew, Megan and Rachel with whom she had an especially close relationship and numerous great grandchildren. Marge was predeceased by daughter Kathryn, son Michael and granddaughter Kellie.

A celebration of life for Marge will be held Sunday, November 26th at 12noon at Dolby Blais & Segee- Windham Chapel, 434 River Road, Windham, ME 04062. There will be a period of visitation prior to service from 11am to Noon. Burial will follow at Arlington Cemetery, Route 302, in Windham.

Arrangements are made by Wiley Funeral Home, Granbury, Texas, and Dolby Blais & Segee-Windham Chapel of Windham, Maine. To express condolences or participate in Marge's online tribute, please visit www.Dolby-BlaisSegee.com. Or please visit www.wileyfuneralhome.com.



Brylynn Ryleigh Dose

Brylynn Ryleigh Dose, of Granbury, beloved baby daughter of Jacob and Mallory Dose, passed away on November 5, 2017. Service: 3:00 PM, Saturday, November 11, 2017, Triple Cross Cowboy Church, Visitation: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Friday, November 10, 2017, Wiley Funeral Home, Granbury.

Brylynn was born on September 14, 2017 in Fort Worth, Texas. Brylynn was born seven weeks and six days early due to Mallory's membranes rupturing. Brylynn spent one month, one week and two days in the NICU at Cooks. Brylynn fought long and she fought hard here on earth. She has touched many people and our precious girl will never be forgotten. She was dearly loved and will be greatly missed.

Brylynn is survived by her parents, Jacob and Mallory Dose, grandparents: Deidra Nothe, Scott Dose, Danell Kuhlman, and Carey Martin, great-grandparents: Ed Dickey, Verletta Christiansen, Sherry Harriss, Edgar Newton, Terry Stafford,

and Bruce Martin, aunts and uncles: Joshua and Naisa Dose, Sue Ann and Aaron Cypert, Ashlee Dose, Summer Dose, Faith Nothe, Nicholas Nothe, Noah Nothe, McKala Martin, Johnathan Newton, Jacob Calihan, Megan Cooksey, and Courtney Hills, and Godmother: Jasmyn Harper.

Wiley Funeral Home made arrangements.

Ruth Adelia Pitts White

Ruth Adelia Pitts White went home to be with our Lord November 7, 2017. She was formerly from Granbury.

Graveside service: 12:00 PM, Saturday, November 11, 2017, Fairview Cemetery, Visitation: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Friday, November 10, 2017, Wiley Funeral Home, Granbury.

Ruth is survived by Brother Allen Pitts Jr, niece Melissa Pitts, nephew Darrin Pitts of Katy, nephew Allen Pitts III and wife Sabrina Pitts of Conroe, cousins Elizabeth Cosnahan Taylor and husband Charles of Dallas, Lynn Cosnahan Seguin, Mary Jean Roach, Jenny Roach Pruett and husband Larry of Collierville, TN., Great nephews Kristofer Pitts, Jared Zerhouni, Cameron Pitts and Great niece Victoria Pitts.

Ruth was born May 12, 1927 to Allen and Ruth Pitts of Dallas TX and attended Highland Park High School, class of 1945.

Upon graduating Highland Park, Ruth went to work for Lone Star Gas Company in Dallas and retired in 1982 after 37 years.

She married Warren S. White Dec. 21, 1968 retired to Granbury in 1982 to their ranch off of the Weatherford Hwy and was happily married for over 46 years.



Ruth was very interested in history and her ancestry. She discovered that her Mother belonged to the Daughters of the American Revolution.

When dementia began to take its toll, the family through research and records discovered Ruth's descendants include:

4th Cousin of General George Smith Patton
5 x Great Grandfather Brigadier General Hugh Mercer
26 x direct ancestor King Henry Plantagenet, III

Above all she is a child of GOD our Lord Jesus Christ, was dearly loved and will be missed by all.

Sky Thomas Yates

Sky Thomas Yates, 23, passed away on Sunday, November 5, 2017. Service: 11:00 AM, Thursday, November 9, 2017, Wiley Funeral Home Chapel, Granbury, Interment: Holly Hills Memorial Park, Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service.

Sky was born on November 16, 1993 in Jacksonville, Arkansas. He was a magnetic people person who drew others to him. He was a beautiful person who loved God. He loved spending time outdoors, especially when he was hunting and fishing. He loved riding his Harley, motorcycles in general, and Texas country music.

Sky was preceded in death by grandfather: C. L. Hoard, and grandmother: Dolores Yates.

Sky is survived by his loving mother: Amanda "Mandy" Palmer, brother: Spencer Yates,



grandparents: Alvin and Brenda Palmer, grandmother: Linda Hoard, aunt: Shekanah Palmer and girlfriend: Sierra Lambeck.

He will be greatly missed and loved forever by his family and friends.



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PARTNER: Leonard Halsey in the shop at Outdoor Vending Solutions.

Convenience counts

Granbury men develop vending machines for firewood, propane bottles

BY DEBBIE SCHNEIDER
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Imagine you are camping at a state park. About 8 p.m. you decide you'd like to have a campfire. The park office sells small stacks of wood, but the office is now closed.

Or maybe you are about to grill some burgers on the back porch. Unfortunately your grill is out of gas. You can't get another tank, because the store is now closed.

Two Granbury men have a solution for either of these dilemmas.

With the swipe of a credit card, you can purchase a tank of propane or a bag of wood for the campfire from a vending machine that is open 24/7.

"You know in this day and

age, everybody wants it now," said John Agor, who partners with Leonard Halsey in Outdoor Vending Solutions. "If they want something, it's an immediate need."

The propane vending machine accepts exchange tanks, or you can purchase a full tank.

The firewood vending machine dispenses a bag of small split firewood.

After 25 years in the Army, Agor retired with a medical disability. He dabbled with a construction-related business, and later met his business partner, Leonard Halsey, through mutual friends in the construction business.

Halsey went to ITT Technical Institute, envisioning a career in electronics. "There weren't many jobs in that field when I finished school," he said. In-

stead he worked construction.

After meeting Igor, Halsey told him of his father's invention to sell firewood from a vending machine. "We were an outdoors family and we like to camp," Halsey said of his father's interest in campfires.

Igor and Halsey formed a partnership and began to fabricate the outdoor vending machine. They placed their first firewood machine at Dinosaur Valley State Park in 2015. Other state parks are also getting on board.

Specialized electronics prevent the sale of campfire wood when there's a burn ban.

The propane vending machine can sense when an exchange bottle is placed in the cage. Electronics detect when the vending machine is getting low and a message is sent.

As Outdoor Vending Solu-

tions continues to grow, the founders plan to keep the company in Granbury.

"There's so many hard-working people here," Agor said of the local workforce.

Agor began his military career as a helicopter crew chief, later received an ROTC scholarship and began to fly helicopters.

After spending time in Iraq, he returned to the States to lead the ROTC program at TCU. He also developed the ROTC program at the University of North Texas and worked with the ROTC program at Baylor.

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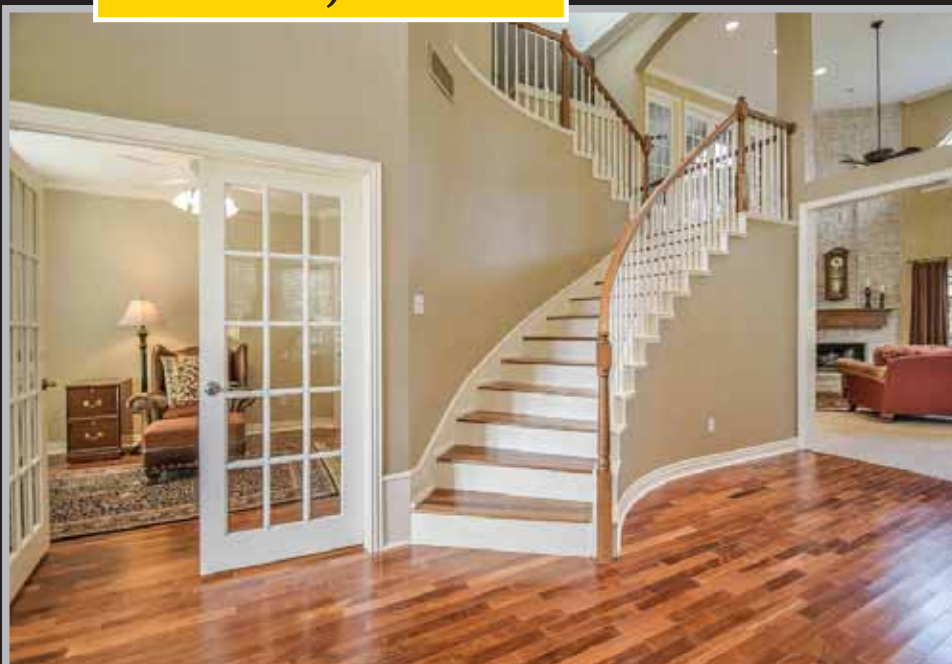
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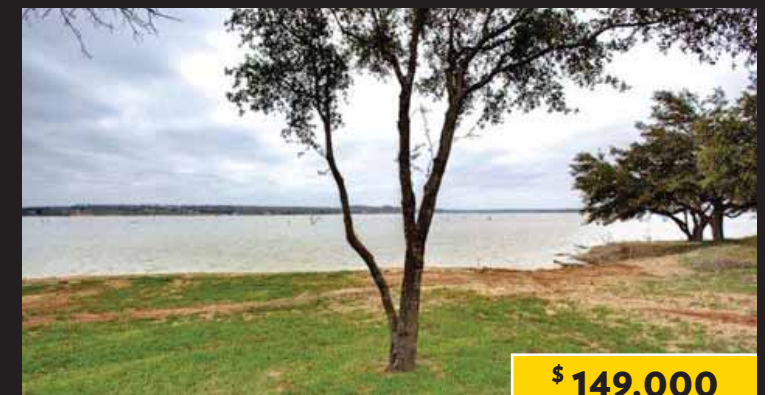


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\$349,000

Very well-maintained 4-2-2 home on the Nutcracker golf course in prestigious Pecan Plantation. This gorgeous house has wood floors, custom built-ins, two living areas, an open concept kitchen, enclosed sunroom with beautiful backyard views and library. Huge master with separate entrance to back patio deck. The third garage has been built out as a gameroom or workshop, but can easily be converted back to golf cart garage.



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Brand new 4-3-2 custom built home in Acton Landing. Modern finishes throughout: wood-look tile floors, custom stained cabinetry, sleek granite countertops, coffered ceilings, custom tiled showers and a stone fireplace. The master bedroom is spacious & filled with light and master bath is huge. Large walk-in closets and spacious bathrooms means plenty of room and storage for the whole family.

Come enjoy the views of the prestigious Nutcracker Golf course from your backyard in Pecan Plantation. This 4-2-1-2 home has a wide open floor plan, massive enclosed sunroom & modern upgrades which include granite counters, SS Energy Star appliances, fresh paint and upgraded lighting fixtures. With a swing drive, golf cart garage and location right on the golf course, this home will satisfy the needs of the most discerning golfer.

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- PRESCHOOL TEACHER CROSS TOWN PRESCHOOL is hiring for 2 positions 7am -1pm & 1pm -6pm. We are a Christian preschool who is searching for someone who is a team player, energetic & loves children. We will train the right person. Background checks and training are required. Call 817-776-2074 (817) 776-2074

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CDL DRIVERS & TOUR ASSISTANTS NewScope Marketing is looking for Drivers (CDL) and tour assistants to take our team to the next level. We are an industry-leading, envelope-pushing, fun-loving engagement marketing agency. We tap into passions sports, music, entertainment, lifestyle to connect brands to people's lives. This amazing entry-level marketing opportunity works with an experiential marketing team where you will be responsible for day-to-day project management including program coordination, event coordination, event recapping, and staff management. We are looking for an energetic and hardworking team member for this exciting opportunity. Please apply in person. 5845 Acton Circle, Granbury (817) 326-4277

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8530 Food Services

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Pecan Plantation Country Club Now accepting applications for A.M. Expeditor/Food Runner, and Service Staff Positions. We pay a guaranteed wage that is more than double the standard wage and experience is not necessarily required. Email ashton@ppoaweb.com or jont@ppoaweb.com Call 817-573-2641 Tues-Sat or Complete application at either Security Gate.

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8510 General

8530 Food Services

PECAN PLANTATION COUNTRY CLUB
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8540 Medical/Dental

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Hood County Commissioners' Court has received an application to consider a revision of the plat for: LOT A1 & A2, PECAN PLANTATION, UNIT FOUR
The Hood County Commissioners' Court will meet to consider the application and to hear any protest to the revision on Tuesday, November 28th, 2017, at 9 a.m. in the Central Jury Room of the Hood County Justice Center, 1200 West Pearl Street, Granbury, Texas 76048.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the ESTATE OF AVALON A. WORLEY, DECEASED, were issued on July 25, 2017, in Cause No. P08282, pending in the County Court of Hood County, Texas, to: KEENER BRYAN MARSH.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
c/o: Brandon D. Holder
Attorney at Law
111 S. Houston St.
Granbury, TX 76048
DATED the 2nd day of November 2017.
Attorney for Keener Bryan Marsh
State Bar No.: 24078676
111 S. Houston St.
Granbury, TX 76048
Telephone: (658)500-1720
Facsimile: (658)350-8462
E-mail: brandon@holderfirm.com

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Independent Administration for the Estate of Thomas Edwin Davenport, Deceased, were issued on October 17, 2017, in Cause No. P08333, pending in the County Court, Hood County, Texas, to: Christy Jo Shipman-Davenport.
All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
c/o: Tracy S. Bush
Law Office of Pamela A. Walker, P.C.
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Granbury, Texas 76048

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Sandra K. Bunkley, Deceased, were issued on October 31, 2017, in Cause No. P08347, pending in the County Court of Hood County, Texas, to: Roger E. Bunkley.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
c/o: Steven J. Reid
Attorney at Law
1840 Acton Highway
Granbury, TX 76049
DATED the 31th day of October, 2017.
Steven J. Reid
Attorney for Roger E. Bunkley
State Bar No.: 16747900
1840 Acton Highway
Granbury, TX 76049
Telephone: 817-573-3718
Facsimile: 817-573-9732
E-mail: realestate@reidholder.com

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given the original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Patricia Jean Shubert, Deceased, were issued on November 1, 2017, in Cause No. P08317, pending in the County Court of Hood County, Texas, to: Patricia Anne Bowen. All persons having claims against this Estate, currently being administered, are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law c/o Janet M. Payne, Attorney at Law, 2613 E. Hwy 377, Granbury, Texas 76049. DATED the 3rd day of November, 2017.
SIGNED: /s/ Janet M. Payne
Attorney for Patricia Anne Bowen
State Bar No: 24048717
2613 E. Hwy 377
Granbury, Texas 76049
Ph: 682-936-4700; Fax: 682-936-4701

PUBLIC HEARING
A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, November 28th, 2017, at 9 a.m. during the Hood County Commissioners' Court in the Central Jury Room of the Hood County Justice Center, 1200 West Pearl Street, Granbury, Texas 76048. The Commissioners' Court will meet to discuss, consider and take appropriate action on the following site development plan: Tolar Mine, 7400 Friendship Road, Tolar, Texas 76476

ORDINANCE NO. 17-72
ESTABLISHING A PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT [PD-TH/PH] AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 01-819, THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRANBURY, TEXAS, BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION ON CERTAIN PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF GRANBURY; REVISING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH; PROVIDING THAT TIDS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
SECTION 1.
Ordinance No. 01-819, as amended, is hereby amended by granting the PD's Townhome/Patio Home zoning district [PD-TH/PH] on Lots 1R1-1R39 and Common Areas 1-9, Block 1, The Vineyards at Harbor Lakes Addition, within the City of Granbury, Hood County, Texas, filed as Slide P-484, being developed in accordance with the Exhibits A-E attached hereto, and being more fully described as:

An approximate 6.20-acre portion of land described as Lots 1 R1 -1 R39 and Conunon Areas 1-9, Block I, The Vineyards at Harbor Lakes Addition, within the City of Granbury, Hood County, Texas, filed as Slide P-484, attached as: Exhibit 'E' - Legal Description
SECTION 7.
Any person, firm or corporation who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not more than Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00). Each day that a violation is peImitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.
These ordinances are on file in the Office of the City Secretary, 116 W Bridge St and can be seen in its entirety Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

LEGAL NOTICE
Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a WINE AND BEER RETAILERS OFF-PREMISE PERMIT by WRANGLER GRANBURY LLC dba WRANGLER, to be located at 2163 E US HWY 377, GRANBURY, HOOD COUNTY, TEXAS. Officers of said corporation are GIRIRAJ BHETWAL MANAGER; RAJIB K. PRASAI MANAGING MEMBER ; BINOD P.ARYAL MANAGING MEMBER.

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Henry Robertson, Deceased, were issued on October 31, 2017, in Cause No. P08353, pending in the County Court of Hood County, Texas to: Robert Robertson
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c/o: Maurice G. Walton
Attorney at Law
107 E Pearl Street
Granbury, TX 76048
DATE the 6th day of November, 2017.
SIGNED: Maurice G. Walton
Attorney for Robert Robertson
State Bar No.: 20826700
107 E. Pearl Street
Granbury, TX 76048
Telephone (817) 573-8872
Facsimile: (817) 579-1651
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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and the manner prescribed by law.
c/o: Maurice G. Walton
Attorney at Law
107 E Pearl Street
Granbury, TX 76048
DATE the 6th day of November, 2017.
SIGNED: Maurice G. Walton
Attorney for Amy Lynn McQuone
State Bar No.: 20826700
107 E. Pearl Street
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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NUMBER 83982

APPLICATION Lonestar Prospects, LTD. has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 83982, which would authorize continued operation of a sand mining and processing plant located at 3549 Monroe Highway, Granbury, Hood County, Texas 76049. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=32.542&lng=-97.719&zoom=13&type=r>. The existing facility and/or related facilities are authorized to emit the following air contaminants: carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, organic compounds, particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less, and sulfur dioxide.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on October 30, 2017. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, TCEQ Dallas/Fort Worth regional office, and the Hood County Public Library, 222 North Travis Street, Granbury, Hood County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Dallas/Fort Worth regional office of the TCEQ.

The executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. In addition to the renewal, this permitting action includes the incorporation of the following authorizations or changes to authorized facilities related to this permit: alterations and amendments. The reasons for any changes or incorporations, to the extent they are included in the renewed permit, may include the enhancement of operational control at the plant or enforceability of the permit. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. **The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

PUBLIC COMMENT You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process.

After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 15 day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided.** According to the Texas Clean Air Act § 382.056(o) a contested case hearing may only be granted if the applicant's compliance history is in the lowest classification under applicable compliance history requirements and if the hearing request is based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only grant a hearing on those issues submitted during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "(I/we) request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility; and (7) a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period. If the request is made by a group or association, one or more members who have standing to request a hearing must be identified by name and physical address. The interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

If any requests for a contested case hearing are timely filed, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case hearing to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. Unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing, the executive director will mail the response to comments along with notification of Commission meeting to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material air quality concerns submitted during the comment period.** Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk for this application.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Lonestar Prospects, LTD., 3549 Monroe Highway, Granbury, Texas 76049-2715 or by calling Ms. Vidhi Singhal, ESE Partners at (281) 501-6100.
Notice Issuance Date: November 6, 2017

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Garage Sale! 3907 California Ct. Fri-Sat, Nov. 10-11. Power Saw, tool box, chain & boomers, engine stand, clothes, shoes, Ladies Harley Davidson Boots, Harley Davidson cycle, Jeep. more.

GARAGE SALE: GRANBURY 4887 Glen Rose Hwy. STE 101- Sat. Nov. 11th 8am-1pm in the MC4 Const. Tan buildings. Clothes, home decor, handbags, printers, video games, shoes, and much more. Sat November 11

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Garage/Moving Sale. 2512 Willow Ridge Cir. Sat. Nov 11, 8am-5pm. Home Decor, clothing all sizes, shoes, handbags, jewelry, bedroom furn., small tables, grill, computer table, many more items.
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It's going to be 'swanky'

Pecan Woman's Club gets ready for style show

Baby It's Cold Outside is the theme of what promises to be a "swanky winter fashion show" for the Pecan Plantation Woman's Club meeting.

The PPWC will gather at 9:30 a.m. Thursday with the meeting coming to order at 10.

Ladies are invited to bring friends, sisters and daughters as everyone "dresses to impress" for the day. The fashion show attire is sponsored by Granbury merchants.

Following the program, ladies will enjoy lunch prepared by the clubhouse staff.

Reservations are necessary for the day and due by Monday at noon. Contact Gerta Howell to secure a spot for the day: ppwcres@gmail.com or 817-964-3139.

The PPWC pursues friendship, fellowship, the arts and philanthropy and welcomes all female Pecan residents.

MORE PPWC

After meeting on Thursday, the PPWC will host its annual casserole and bake sale on Nov. 18 beginning at 10 a.m. at the Pecan Activities Center (PAC). This sale will run "until everything is gone," and that time is always short.

Come early to shop. For more information on the bake sale, contact Linnae Lockwood at 817-573-1466.

ALSO WOMAN'S CLUB

Finally this year for the PPWC comes Thursday, Dec. 14 when the group's sponsored holiday tour of homes will happen. Food, house touring and Santa's workshop will be a part of the day for which tickets are necessary and on sale now.

To secure reservations for the

PECAN BITS



Diane Long



GETTING READY: Teresa Loudermilk (left) and Li Cross are getting ready for the Casserole and Bake Sale presented by the Pecan Plantation Woman's Club on Saturday, Nov. 18. The ladies are working with the bake sale committee for the Pecan Plantation Woman's Club.

day, send email to ppwctour@gmail.com or call 682-205-5102.

TAKE AIM

The Archery/Air Gun Association has an air rifle field target match at 9:30 a.m. today and its annual turkey shoot on Nov. 18 at 10 a.m.

Visit www.pecanarchery.com for complete information on these events.

ART CLASS

Kathy Yoders is leading a charcoal portrait workshop tomorrow from 1 to 4 p.m. at the PAC.

All materials included with fee. Call to join the group: 817-573-7952.

GOLF DAYS

The Ladies Golf Association has "S's and E's" planned for next Tuesday followed by a general meeting after green play. The clubhouse ballroom is the setting for the 2 p.m. gathering where ladies will discuss both officers and golf course priorities for 2018.

The Men's Golf Association has "Shamble: 2 best balls of

foursome" on the calendar for Thursday with paired and flights by pro shop.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Wednesday morning's Breakfast Club will welcome Preston L. Whisenant from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Game Warden for Hood County when he presents "New Laws and Regulations for Hunting and Fishing in Texas."

Everyone is welcome to breakfast service beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the clubhouse with the program immediately following.

THANKSGIVING FEAST

For Pecaners wanting to partake of the Thanksgiving spread prepared by our clubhouse, reservations are being taken now.

Seatings will happen Thanksgiving Day on the half hour from 11 a.m. through 2 p.m. Call the clubhouse front desk to reserve a seat: 817-573-2641.

HOLIDAY TO GO

And for Pecaners who wish to dine at home but outsource some of the cooking, "Thanks-

giving-2-Go" is an option. Orders for ham, turkey, dressing and pies from the clubhouse are due by Nov. 19 and will be ready for pick up by noon on Nov. 22. Call the clubhouse front desk here also for order placing.

COMMITTEE FORMING

The Election Committee for processing and judging Pecan's voting at next year's annual election and meeting on March 3, 2018, is beginning to take shape.

Committee chairperson Joe Hartman and volunteers will oversee this event.

The deadline to sign up is Nov. 20, and interested applicants may sign up at the clubhouse or send email to election@ppoaweb.com.

RAFFLE WINNER

Congratulations to Patty Lovell who won the Friends of Pooch Plantation (FOPP) handmade quilt designed and stitched by Wanda Greene and raffled at the recent arts and crafts fair.

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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 at least two weeks prior to the event.

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.

SATURDAY, NOV. 11

BENEFIT FOR Toys For Tots, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Pearl Street Station, 120 W. Pearl St. A percentage of proceeds will be donated.

VETERANS DAY at Memorial Lane, 561 N. Travis, includes a special presentation. Cards will be provided to honor veterans, along with those serving in the military today. Write the name on the card at the site. They will receive a card noting the commemoration.

VETERANS DAY event with World War II veteran Don Graves as speaker, 11 a.m. at Granbury High School auditorium.

VETERANS DAY Parade, 2 p.m. on Granbury square. Parade lines up at Granbury ISD administration parking lot, travels east on Pearl Street to square.

AQUATHON DAY at YMCA, 9 to 11 a.m. featuring three hours of aqua fitness and water safety tips.

DINNER, DANCE at VFW commemorating Veterans Day, steak dinner \$15, 6 p.m., CB Sutton Band plays from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., 3670 Highway 377 W.

BIG BASS CHALLENGE benefiting Granbury High School Bass Club, \$100 per angler, max two per boat, \$500 hourly payouts plus \$2K overall big bass, Squaw Creek Reservoir, 817-657-7186. Pre-register at www.luminant.com/squaw-creek-park to guarantee access.

SAXOPHONE QUARTET fall concert, 7:30 p.m., free admission, First Presbyterian Church, 303 W. Bridge St.

MONDAY, NOV. 13

CIVIL WAR Roundtable meeting features guest speaker Allen Mesch, who will discuss Major General Charles F. Smith, 5:30 p.m. dinner followed by program, Spring

Creek Barbeque, 317 Highway 377 E.

TEXAS DEMOCRATIC Women of Hood County welcome guest speaker Jennie Lou Leeder, 11 a.m., Spring Creek Barbeque, 317 Highway 377 E.

COLONIAL DAMES 17th Century will discuss "What's New in DNA," 10 a.m., Somervell County Annex, 107 N.E. Vernon St. in Glen Rose.

REAL MEN Knit Class, 6-8 p.m., free knitting class for men of all ages, Hood County Library, 222 N. Travis St. Call Olivia Bower at 817-578-1581 for supply list and register at 817-573-3569.

TUESDAY, NOV. 14

SALUTE TO VETERANS featuring guest speaker Krystal Geist, the wife of Mark "Oz" Geist, a Benghazi survivor and co-founder of the Shadow Warrior Project, 7 p.m., Granbury Resort Conference Center, 621 E. Pearl St., presented by Republican Women of Hood County.

SALVATION ARMY Women's Service League welcomes speaker Blair Ritchie from the International Student Foundation, 10 a.m., deCordova Bend Country Club.

KNITTING GUILD discusses Christmas projects and ideas, 9:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 303 W. Bridge St.

SANDY BEACH Community Center benefit, Pasta with a Purpose, 6 p.m., Quail Park, 2300 Paluxy Highway. Minimum donation is \$10. RSVP by calling 817-279-9259.

THURSDAY, NOV. 16

ROTARY CLUB welcomes Ceci Marrugo discussing The Polio Plus Initiative, noon, Harbor Lakes Country Club.

KIWANIS LUNCHEON includes a presentation by Mike Newton, who was a recent contestant on "Masterchef," noon, Farina's on Granbury square.

GRANBURY SQUARE Historical Tour bus leaves the Senior Center at 8:15 a.m. to tour many historical sites in our area. Bus returns to Senior Center at 2:30 p.m. \$10 for tour plus bring money for lunch at Linda's Southern Kitchen.

SATURDAY, NOV. 18

SENIOR CRAFT Sale, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Senior Circle, 1321 Water's Edge, Suite 1001, free admission, for additional information call 817-291-8399.

Volunteers make a difference for seniors

BY DEBBIE SCHNEIDER
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Volunteers with Senior Connection are helping older adults with various handyman jobs like cleaning leaves from the gutters, building ramps, removing old mattresses, trimming tree branches and removing old fencing.

Groups or individuals can help the program with monetary donations or as volunteers. To volunteer with the group contact Publisher Jerry Tidwell at the Hood County News, 817-573-7066.

Tax deductible donations can be made to Senior Connection, and mailed to Senior Con-



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Veterans Day

November 11

America entered World War I 100 years ago

BY DEBBIE SCHNEIDER
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

America's entry into World War I came just over 100 years ago when on April 6, 1917, the United States declared war on Germany.

It has been estimated that over 25 percent of the entire male population of the United States between the ages of 18 and 31 years were in military service during the war. Among these were roughly 200,000 Texans.

When the war ended on Nov. 11, 1918, the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, more than 100,000 Americans did not return home.

Among the 5,000 Texans who lost their lives in service during The Great War were Hood Countians Arthur E. Joiner, of Granbury; and John H. Davis and Elven Helms, both of Lipan. All three died from wounds received on the battlefield.

Larkin C. Clifton and Charles H. Jones, both of Granbury, along with Ollie P. Kelley, of Tolar, were among the thousands of American service members who fell victim to the influenza pandemic of 1918-1919. Known as "Spanish Flu" or "La Grippe," the influenza killed an estimated 43,000 American servicemen who mobilized for World War I.

Private Clifton, son of Essie Cleveland and Joseph Edwin Clifton, was just 23 years old when he succumbed to the flu during the long, difficult voyage overseas.



COURTESY

VETERAN BECAME A STONEMASON: Robert Thomas Cardwell, father of Pat Haygood of Granbury, served two years of active duty in San Diego and two years in inactive reserves. Following World War I, Cardwell was involved in building numerous Fort Worth area landmarks as a stonemason.

PLEASE SEE WWI | 3C



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Veterans Day

Veterans Day programs and parade honor those with military service

BY DEBBIE SCHNEIDER
HOOD COUNTY NEWS

Veterans will be honored today with a special program at 11 a.m. in the Granbury High School auditorium, 2000 W. Pearl St.

World War II veteran Don Graves is guest speaker. He was a part of the third wave of Marines to land on Green Beach at Iwo Jima. He advanced up the black sands of Iwo Jima and within minutes was under attack by Japanese mortars.

Graves, 92, will also sing the national anthem at the Veterans Day program.

Veterans Day is a holiday dedicated to American veterans of all wars. In 1918, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, was declared between the Allied nations and Germany in World War I, then known as "the Great War." Commemorated in many countries as Armistice Day the following year, Nov. 11 became a federal holiday in the United States in 1938.

In the aftermath of World War II and the Korean War, Armistice Day became legally known as Veterans Day.

VETERANS PARADE TODAY

Parade entries will gather at the Granbury ISD administration parking lot on Pearl Street prior to the Veterans Day parade today. The parade is at 2 p.m. and will travel east on Pearl Street and circle the square.

Antique cars, military vehicles and the Hood County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard are part the parade.

For more information, email granburyhgma@gmail.com or call the Historic Granbury Merchants Association at 682-936-4550.

MEMORIAL LANE

Those visiting Memorial Lane Park on Veterans Day will find cards for veterans. You can write the name of a veteran or active duty service member that you would like to remember with prayer.

For those including a mailing address, special cards will be sent to let the veteran know they were remembered.

Memorial Lane is next to the Jim Burks Firefighters Memorial Park, 550 N. Travis St.

PATRIOTIC SHOWS SATURDAY

The Hood County News presents The Granbury Live Follies Veterans Day Show at 3 and 7 p.m. today at Granbury Live on the square.

Tickets are \$22.50 to \$30, and children 12 and under are \$15. Tickets are available at www.thenewgranburylive.com

"Granbury Live has a long tradition of honoring our veterans, and we hope this show will pay a unique tribute to the men and women who have served our country so selflessly and so courageously," said General Manager Sam Houston of Granbury Live. "It will be especially poignant to salute some extraordinary Texas veterans. I feel certain the audience will love being part of this show!"

The normal 2 p.m. show has been moved to 3 p.m. to accommodate the Veterans Day Parade.

SALUTE TO VETERANS

A Salute to Veterans is planned Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Granbury Resort Conference Center, 621 E. Pearl St.

Guest speaker is Krystal Geist, wife of Mark "Oz" Geist, Benghazi survivor and co-founder of the Shadow Warrior Project.

The program is presented by the Republican Women of Hood County.

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COURTESY

INFLUENZA BLAMED: These brothers, Joseph E. Clifton and Larkin C. Clifton, are sons of Essie Cleveland and Joseph Edwin Clifton of Granbury. Larkin died of pneumonia Oct. 12, 1918, a complication of the flu contracted while crossing the Atlantic aboard the SS Balmoral Castle. He did not live to serve with Company E, 106th Engineers, American Expeditionary Forces in Europe. The influenza pandemic killed about 43,000 American service members who mobilized for World War I.

Clifton and soldiers of the 31st Division embarked the SS Balmoral Castle on Aug. 8, 1918, at Hoboken, New Jersey. He did not live to serve with Company E, 106th Engineers, American Expeditionary Forces, in Europe. Clifton died of pneumonia, a complication of the flu, in Glasgow, Scotland on Oct. 12, 1918, and now eternally rests in Acton Cemetery.

Other World War I veterans in the Acton Cemetery include James A. Collier, Clarence Frederick, Ira Walter Goodin Sr., Ronald Lynn Jackson, James Roy Day, Derrell L. Langston, Maurie J. Maloney, Henry Grady Massey, Gordon Leigh McCarty, John Hobson Stout, Warren W. Stribling, Cecil H. Tarrant, Homer Henry Tompkins and Dolan Wright.

Acton Cemetery, a state historical site, was founded in the early 1800s. More than 3,000 graves occupy the nearly 20-acre cemetery, including the gravesite of Elizabeth Patton Crockett, second wife of Davy Crockett, and graves of numerous men and women who served the nation during the Civil War, World War I, World War II, Korean War, Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan, and in all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

Over 400 veterans buried at Acton Ceme-

tery will be memorialized during this year's annual Wreaths Across America ceremony and wreath laying scheduled at the cemetery on Saturday, Dec. 16 at noon.

The public is invited to join members of the Elizabeth Crockett Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and a team of volunteers including members of the Brazos Valley Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution; cadets from Granbury High School JROTC; American Heritage Girls; Trail Life USA; and Salvation Army Women's Service League.

Veterans, the fallen, prisoners of war, missing in action and those who are currently serving America will be honored.

The ceremony will commemorate the centennial of America's involvement in World War I.

Following a brief ceremony, volunteers will place wreaths on the graves of veterans.

To sponsor a wreath for the grave of a veteran at Acton Cemetery, visit the Wreaths Across America website at www.wreathscrossamerica.org. For each wreath sponsored for the Elizabeth Crockett fundraiser through the website, \$5 will be donated to the Granbury High School JROTC.

To sponsor a wreath to benefit the JROTC, visit the Wreaths Across America



COURTESY

SERVED IN TWO WARS: Oran Christopher Baker served as a Private First Class, U.S. Army, Provost Guard, 165th Division, stationed in San Antonio. He is the father of longtime Hood County historian Vircy Macatee, now deceased. Baker was with the military police attached to the U.S. Detective Department of the 18th (Cactus) Division. He served in World War I and World War II.

website at www.wreathscrossamerica.org. Click on "Sponsor a wreath with a local fundraising group." Enter the Elizabeth Crockett Chapter Group ID TX0363P in the search rectangle. Once the ID shows, click on the ID number and then click on the red donate button.

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