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**BOD Meeting:** May 25, 2023, 6 p.m.

**BOD Committee Workshop:** May 11, 2023, 9:30 a.m. Both meetings in Ballroom



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Airport	2nd Thursday	8 a.m.	CH Conference Room
Appeals	2nd Tuesday	10 a.m.	S&S Conference Room
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Bylaws	2nd Monday	1 p.m.	S&S Conference Room
Communications	2nd Wednesday	1 p.m.	CH Conference Room
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Golf	1st Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	CH Conference Room
Horse Owners	Mar. 21, May 16	6 p.m.	CH Conference Room
Infrastructure	1st Tuesday	9 a.m.	CH Conference Room
LRP	TBD		
Marina	2nd Wednesday	3 p.m.	CH Conference Room
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Safety & Security	3rd Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	S&S Conference Room
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**New Member Orientation** 10 a.m. in the Terrace Room

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Karen Gomez



Nancy Pricer

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Jay Ann Cox



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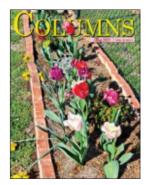
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#### **BRING ON MAY FLOWERS**

You know what they say about April showers? But no matter the rainfalls, the PP Community Gardens volunteers give Mother Nature an assist. Like these tulips in the Community Gardens, look around the neighborhood and enjoy all the blooms this month. Photo courtesy Jenifer Petri.

If you have editorial or photography for Columns, please write to Columns@hcnews.com. The deadline for submissions is the first day of the month prior to publication date. EX: Jan. 1 for the February issue.

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Steve Perry

Spring greetings to all! I want to take a moment to look ahead to what's in store for Pecan during the next year. I am excited to be your new president, and my goal is to continue working toward making our Pecan the best it can be.

Here are a few of the initiatives that we will be focusing on in the coming months:

**Increasing Communication**: One of my top priorities is to ensure that our members are well-informed about what is happening in our community.

**Improving Amenities**: Continuing to invest in our slice of heaven and focusing on enhancing others to make them accessible and enjoyable to all members.

Strengthening Community Connections: In addition to our physical improvements, we will also be working to strengthen the connections within our community. Our members are our greatest assets.

**Addressing Long-Term Issues**: We will be taking a hard look at some of the longer-

term challenges we face, such as an aging infrastructure and budget constraints. We will work with General Manager Rick Lantgen to find sustainable and financially responsible solutions, so we can continue to provide high-quality services to our members for years to come.

I am excited about the possibilities that lie ahead, and I am thrilled to take on the challenge of leading a strong Board of Directors. I am confident that by working together, we can make great strides towards achieving these and other goals. I encourage all members to get involved, attend meetings, and share your ideas and concerns. Together, we can build a stronger, more vibrant community that we can all be proud to call home.

We live in a wonderful place. Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to working with Rick and all the members of Pecan in the coming year.



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## LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION



By Carol Bishop, PPLGA President

Sadie Hawkins is our kickoff event each year and it was wonderful. We raised \$1,900 that will help with updating the on-course bathrooms. We enjoyed our first Guest Day with a full field and the first two-day tournament which was the Spring Ringer. In April, we started Summer rules, which means playing the ball down and 8:30 a.m. shotgun start.

May promises some really fun games, like ABC Red Ball and Whiners, when you get to throw out your worst three holes. We have been enjoying lots of great weather and hope to see even more of you coming out to play on Tuesdays.

We have started planning for the biggest LGA tournament of the year, the Member/Guest in September. This year, our theme is "Let Freedom Ring." If you are so inclined and would like to be a part of it, even if you are not playing in the tournament, there are lots of jobs to be filled. Just let me know or talk to Patti Andrews. We can always use more helping hands.

Remember to fill in your divots, repair your ball marks and rake the sand traps. Let's all take good care of our beautiful golf course.

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## PECAN PLANTATION ART GUILD

By Linda Barron

Save the date! The PPAG is proud to announce our first annual Fine Arts Fair. All artists are invited, any medium. We will showcase painters, crafters, potters, rug makers and more. The fair will take place Friday, July 14, 6-9 p.m., and Saturday, July 15, 10-6 p.m.

If you just want to attend and have a wonderful time viewing talented artists from all over Pecan Plantation, there will be a cash bar and the lovely surroundings of the Clubhouse. We would love to see you all there!

Don't forget our Makers Meetings on the last Tuesday of each month from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. at the EMS Auxiliary. Bring your art and a snack, share your talent with others, and have fun and fellowship.

The March Artist of the Month was Barbara Brown. Her work hung in the hallways outside the Brazos Room. David Tripp conducted a watercolor workshop in March that was wonderful. When you are at the clubhouse, please take time to view our artists' work outside the Brazos Room and upstairs in the administrative hall at the club.





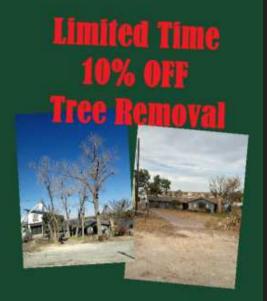


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#### **ART ROCKS CAMP**

Ages 7-12

June 19, 20, 22, 23 – 9:30-11 a.m.

Cost: \$45/members, \$50/guests

Instructor: Pam McLean, 806-316-4148

Kids will explore different ways to create through rock painting, steam punk rocks, mosaics on rock, and pebble critters. All supplies included. Maximum 12 students. Must pre-register.

#### **FUNDAMENTALS OF ART CAMP**

Ages 8-up

June 12, 13, 15, 16 – 10-11 a.m.

Cost: \$40/members, \$45/guests (2nd sibling will be 1/2 off)

Instructor: Maria Ward

Kids will be learning various art styles, painting, and using various mixed media. All supplies will be provided. Maximum 10 students. Must pre-register.

#### "GOOD NEWS CLUB" CAMP

Ages 5-12

July 24, 25, 27, 28 – 1-2 p.m.

PAC Meeting Room. Must pre-register.

The Good News Club builds moral character with fun activities such as singing, scripture memory, and Bible stories. Camp is taught and supervised by Christian volunteers. It is non-denominational. GNC founded in 1937 and operated in 50 states.

#### KIDS SOCCER CAMPS

June 5, 6, 8, 9

Ages 4-6 – 9-10 a.m.

Ages 7-10 – 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Cost: \$35/members, \$40/guests

Meet at PAC Soccer fields. Please bring shin guards, soccer ball, and water each day.

#### **PRINCESS TEA PARTY**

Friday, June 16, seating at 2 p.m. \$20/person inclusive, Clubhouse Ballroom All ages welcome. Pre-registration required. Limited to first 100 people.

#### MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE PRESENTS "CINDERELLA"

June 26-July 1

Auditions are Monday, June 26, 10 a.m.-noon.

This is a free event for children to participate. Children must be available for rehearsals and performances during the entire week. Rehearsals are 10 a.m.-noon and/or 12:30-2:30 p.m. Kids must be available for performances on Saturday, July 1, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. MCT will accept children entering first through 12th grade. Audition sign-ups at the PAC. Grandkids welcome.

#### MCT ACTING WORKSHOP

Wednesday, June 28 – 3-3:45 p.m.

Cost: \$5/child

45-minute workshop covering basic tools of actor's trade. Students participate in a variety of fun exercises. Must be participating in MCT play to attend workshop. Sign up at PAC.

#### **ENCHANTED SUMMER DANCE CAMP**

Ages 3-7

August 3, 4, 5 – 1:30-3 p.m.

Cost: \$75 each

Instructor: Dance Dreams Academy Staff

The kids get to experience all of the fun of being different Disney Princesses throughout each day all while focusing on ballet and tap technique. Kids will be doing crafts and singing songs too. Please bring princess stuff and tap shoes if possible. Sign up at the PAC. Must pre-register.

#### **ANNUAL KIDS FISHING TOURNAMENT**

All ages are welcome.

Monday, June 12 – 8 a.m.

Meet at No. 10 Golf Course Pond. Bring your fishing pole. Bait will be provided. Medals awarded to the winners of each category.

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#### **GOLF, TENNIS AND SWIM CAMP**

Ages 6-up

Session 1 – June 6-9

Session 2 – July 11-July 14

Session 3 – August 1-4

9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Cost: \$170/members, \$185/guests, lunch Included.

Register at Tennis Shop, 817-579-9412. First day, check-in at the Tennis shop at 8:30 a.m. Bring swimsuit, towel, hat, sunscreen, water and pool shoes. Racquets and clubs provided

if needed.

#### "SWING-N-SWIM" CAMPS

Ages 6-up

Session 1 – June 13-16

Session 2 - June 20-23

Session 3 – June 27-30

Session 4 – July 18-21

Session 5 – July 25-28

9 a.m.-noon

Cost: \$150/members, \$165/guests

Instructor: Tennis Pro John Ingram (USPTA Certified) Register at Tennis Shop, 817-579-9412. Bring swimsuit, towel,

hat, sunscreen, water and pool shoes. Racquets provided if

needed.

#### **JUNIOR GOLF CAMPS**

Ages 5-16

Camp 1: June 14, 15, 16

Camp 2: July 19, 20, 21

9-10 a.m.

Cost: \$60/members, \$70/guests

Sign up at the Golf Pro Shop, 817-573-2645.

#### KIDS PICKLEBALL CAMP

Ages 8-12

July 10, 11, 13, 14 – 1-3 p.m.

Cost: \$100/members, \$80/PPPA members

One hour of indoor pickleball instruction and one hour of supervised swim to cool off. Please bring towel, swimsuit, water and sunscreen. Wear tennis shoes. Limit of 12 kids. Sign up at the PAC.

#### **CLUBHOUSE POOL**

Special hours for pool opening:

Friday, May 26 – 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m.

Street Dance: Sun., May 28 – 9:30 a.m.-9 p.m.

Club Pool closed Tuesday, May 30.

Normal hours begin May 31 – 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m.

Closed every Monday.

Guest fees of \$4 apply to all non-members. No outside food or drinks allowed at club pool.

#### **PAC POOL**

May to August, open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

6:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

Closed every Wednesday.

Guest fees of \$4 apply to all non-members.

#### SWIM LESSONS AT THE PAC POOL

Session 1 – June 5-16

Session 2 – June 19-30

Session 3 – July 10-July 21

Eight 30-minute classes, lessons held Monday Tuesday,

Thursday, Friday.

Mom and Tot (ages 6 mo.-4 yrs.), 10-10:30 a.m.

Beginners (ages 3-5), 10:30-11 a.m.

Older (ages 6-9), 11-11:30 a.m.

Cost is \$80/members, \$100/guests.

Instructor: Certified Swim Instructor

#### **DEEP WATER AEROBICS AT CLUB POOL**

Starts Thursday, June 1, Tuesday to Friday 8:30-9:20 a.m.

Cost is \$45/month (16 classes) or \$5/class.

Certified Instructor: Leslie Stain

Must pre-register at the PAC. All payments must be made at

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#### **PAC GOLF CART DRIVE-IN MOVIES**

Friday, June 9, 9 p.m. Puss in Boots: The Last Wish (PG) Friday, July 7, 9 p.m. A Man Called Otto (PG-13)

#### **KIDS CRAFTS**

Mother's Day Crafts – Sunday, May 7, 2 p.m. Father's Day Crafts – Sunday, June 11, 2 p.m. Children under 6 will need adult assistance. Limited to 10 children. Must pre-register at the PAC.

#### **CUPCAKE CAMP (AGES 8 AND UP) ALL NEW**

July 17, 18, 20, 21 – 10-11 a.m.

Cost: \$40/members and \$45/guests (2nd sibling 1/2 off)

Instructor: Maria Ward

Kids will learn how to make frosting and fondant to decorate cupcakes they bake. They will learn basics of baking and measuring and color schemes. Maximum 10 students. Must pre-register.

#### **ARCHERY AND AIR GUN CAMPS**

2-day Archery Camp (ages 8-13)

June 5-6 – 10-11:30 a.m.

2-day Air Rifle Camp (ages 8-13)

June 15-16 – 10-11:30 a.m.

Cost each session: \$10/members, \$15/guests

Hot dog lunch and drinks will be provided on Tuesday. Space is limited to 18 kids each session. Must pre-register.

#### **LET'S SING AND ACT**

Instructor: Rebecca Faiola

**Session I** (ages 7-12): June 19, 20, 22, 23 – 1-2 p.m.

Cost: \$40/members, \$45/guests

Introduction to musical theatre class with exercises in singing and acting for kids new to theatre. Sign up at the PAC. Must pre-register.

**Session II** (ages 13-18): June 19, 20, 22, 23 – 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Cost: \$40/members, \$45/guests

Intermediate class studying musical theatre, styles of singing, monologue coaching, and improvisation.

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## PECAN PLANTATION VFD RESPONDS TO NUTT HOUSE FIRE

By Doug Caughley, PPVFD firefighter

About 3 a.m., March 2, members of the PPVFD were awakened by their phones and radios to respond to a structural fire in Hood County. Upon arrival at our fire station, we learned that the dispatch centered around a fire at the historic Nutt House Hotel. The fire was first reported about 1 a.m. and several of the county fire departments were quickly on scene trying to save the Nutt House.

A recent example of automatic aid was during the devastating fire at Granbury's historic Nutt House Hotel fire. Because of the seriousness of the structure fire, three different fire companies were summoned to be early units to arrive on scene. After sizing up the fire and the expected need for additional equipment and personnel, another alarm was sent to have more firefighters to help. With all the protective clothing and heavy breathing equipment, it doesn't take long before fighters are exhausted. This aid, given by surrounding departments, continued throughout the fire's containment as more county departments came to aid with equipment and personnel.

Automatic aid, along with mutual aid, is necessary in the modern-day firefighting evolution. The PPVFD, along with Hood County's eight other fire departments, practice and employ aid under FEMA guidelines. The guidelines develop shared responses and align resources, so no department is

overwhelmed dealing with an emergency like saving the hotel. Through a unified command structure, PPVFD can gather with all county fire departments into a cohesive fighting unit. Employing this concept, the county can spread expensive firefighting equipment to the county's nine departments. In the event of a large fire such as the Nutt House Hotel, or a mass casualty event, incident command can effectively manage an emergency. As residents of Pecan Plantation, we can be assured that we are protected by our PPVFD and if the need arises our fellow Hood County volunteer firefighters will be there to give us aid and support our needs during an emergency.

PPVFD has an assigned protective perimeter of approximately 13 square miles and a population of about 8,500 in Pecan Plantation and the immediate area. Hood County encompasses 437 square miles with an estimated population of 65,000.

Nationwide, there is an overall reduction in volunteerism. Suburban and rural areas have seen the most significant decline in volunteers. If you would like to join or have questions about Pecan Plantation Volunteer Fire Department, just give us a call at 815-573-1643 or drop by 9518 Monticello Drive.



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- WEDNESDAYS from 4-6 p.m. Only branches and recyclables are accepted.
- Never accepted at this location: refrigerators, TVs, tires, paints or other hazardous materials. Call the Operations office 817-408-3511 for more info.

Pecan Plantation's Tennis Shoppe recycles aluminum cans, with proceeds benefiting Pecan tennis. All cans should be rinsed and free from residue.

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### **FOOD AND BEVERAGE EVENTS**

#### Eat, Drink and Be Merry

There's always something happening at Pecan Plantation. Here's just some of the fun events planned for members in 2023. For more information, please call Brenda or the front desk at 817-573-2641.



May 2 – Cinco de Mayo Buffet & Bingo

May 13 - Unique Car Show & BBQ Lunch

May 28 – Memorial Day Street Dance - Live music, midway games, food court, and more!

June 6 – Summertime Buffet & Bingo

July 2 – Independence Day Parade starts at 6 p.m., followed by street dance, midway games, food court and more until 10 p.m.

July 18 - BBQ Buffet & Bingo

August 15 – Pizza 'n Pasta Buffet & Bingo

Sept. 4 – Labor Day Street Dance

Sept. 12 – 'Breakfast for Dinner' Buffet & Bingo

Oct. 24 - Halloween Buffet & Bingo

Nov. 14 – Southern Night Buffet & Bingo

Dec. 5 – Home Cookin' Buffet & Bingo







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#### WHAT IS BREAKFAST CLUB?

By Ron Liddell

Breakfast Club is one of Pecan's oldest social organizations. Our purpose is to entertain, enlighten and enjoy wholesome fellowship. There are no club dues, and any Pecan Plantation member is free to come to our meetings. In fact, we encourage it.

We meet on the second and fourth Wednesday of most months in the Terrace Room. A buffet breakfast is available but not mandatory. All we ask is that you make reservations, whether you are eating or not, by noon on the Tuesday before the meeting by calling the club receptionist. The buffet is available at 8:30 a.m. and our programs begin at 9 a.m.

Last month, we heard from Dr. Tod Farmer, President of Weatherford College and also from

Hood County's Emergency Management Coordinator, Margaret Campbell.

This month, on May 10, we will hear from Sandi Walker and the good folks at Second Chance Farm. Second Chance Farm does exactly what the name says – they offer a second chance at survival for all sorts of animals. Many of their animals are adopted. Those who are not stay at the farm and live out their lives with dignity, respect, and grace. This is going to be a great program.

As you may recall from March, Callie Crow taught us how to save lives by using medication to reverse the deadly effects of fentanyl. She even provided us with these medications. On May 24, our own René Garrett will lead a group of EMTs who will teach us another way to save lives with CPR. Come join us. Be a lifesaver!

You can find out about our activities by joining our email list. Drop us a note at pecanbreakfast@gmail.com and we'll add you to our list. You may also follow along on our Pecan Breakfast Club Facebook page. In fact, I encourage you to check out our Facebook page to see the wide range of great programs we have had in the past. By the way, if you know of an interesting speaker let us know! We're constantly looking.



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#### COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

By Olivia Caughley

Webster defines communication as "the imparting or exchanging of information or news." This is exactly what the Communications Committee strives to achieve. With the addition of our new Communications Director, Jay Arrington, our goal is to make club information much more streamlined and user friendly. In an effort to improve our communications and cut down on the number of emails, Eblasts are being redesigned as "Pecan Happenings", which will encompass events over a seven-day period. If you have anything that needs to be included in those happenings, the deadline to contact the Communications Department is 5 p.m. each Monday. You may contact Jay Arrington at jay. arrington@ppoaweb.com.

One of our current objectives is to assist Pecan Plantation clubs to be consistent with our bylaws and to assure those clubs are official clubs within the PPOA. All participating PPOA clubs must be registered with the Communications Committee and the PPOA, and have requested status as a PPOA club. Clubs are defined as an organization of PPOA members who maintain some common

purpose or mutual interest, are jointly supported, meet periodically and desire to use PPOA facilities and resources. Each club must have a primary contact with an email address and phone number; a statement of purpose/mission for the club; and a brief description of the club and its activities. Registered and approved clubs may request and schedule the use of any appropriate PPOA resource.

Be sure to notice current happenings posted on both the front and back gate marquees. You'll find important, up to the minute events and reminders there. If you haven't yet attended a new member orientation, or just want a refresher about Pecan Plantation, be sure to visit one of these offerings for the latest information on our unique community.

Many clubs are active and welcome new members. We think you'll find a large selection of clubs with varied interests and activities. Join your neighbors and friends in enjoying everything Pecan Plantation has to offer. If you have any questions, please contact Jay Arrington in the Communications Department.



#### **ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE**

May 6 is Derby Day

Ladies, decorate your hats. Gentlemen find your best bow tie! The Entertainment Committee will be hosting a Derby Day Party on May 6, from 3-7 p.m. We will meet in the Brazos Room and watch the Derby. Chef Jordan will provide wonderful hors d'oeuvres, mint juleps, and whatever else you wish to drink (cash bar). You will have the opportunity to purchase a door prize ticket for your favorite horse in the race and we will draw for Pecan Bucks for the Win, Place and Show horses. We will also have a contest for the most creative hat and bow tie. Reservations are required and the cost is only \$20 per person. Come out, join us and cheer for your favorite horse!





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#### **RV CLUB NEWS**

By David Kroon

The March 14 meeting had a Saint Patrick's theme. It was a cool and rainy afternoon and I saw some ice pellets on my windshield before the meeting at the Pavilion began. Still, more than 30 members showed up. Our hosts, Joe and Judy Henson, arranged a smorgasbord of delightful dishes and desserts, all prepared by our members in potluck fashion. A live band performed tunes from the 1970s and 1980s as well as some country favorites.

Fifteen-plus RVs traveled to Oklahoma City for our Spring Rally April 16-21. Our hearts were touched as we toured the Oklahoma City National Memorial where so many lives were lost. On the lighter side, we toured the Myriad Botanical Gardens for their beautiful spring bloom. Pizza night, a potluck dinner night and a catered barbecue meal were enjoyed in the RV Park Rally room. We also ventured out for delicious meals at some local restaurants. A round of golf was enjoyed by some of the guys and the ladies went shopping. Look for photos in next month's article.

Our May mini-rally will be in our very own Shady Campground May 21 to 24. Several members will camp there which gives them a chance to work the bugs out of their RVs



Hosts Joe and Judy Henson got in the spirit of the St. Patrick's Day meeting in March.



Bill and Judy Winkler enjoyed the March St. Patrick's Day party.

in preparation for longer RV trips during the summer. Of course there will be food, golf and shopping as well as games played in the park.

For information on the Pecan Plantation RV Club, contact David Kroon at dk1341@swbell.net.

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#### **BRAZOS RIVER SPORTSMAN'S CLUB**

By Cecil Caldwell

Spring is rapidly moving into summer and the club activities have been ramping up. There have been quite a few members fishing the surrounding lakes and rivers to take advantage of the spring run of white bass and striped bass. Several members fished the Brazos River above Lake Whitney at the end of March and caught large numbers of white bass. Some of the same members went with a guide on Lake Whitney targeting striped bass and had their limits in short order.

Members have a return trip to Lake Whitney planned and we are planning a trip to Lake Tawakoni in May to fish for hybrid striped bass. That has been a favorite trip for many of our members for years, always getting our limits.

A recent club meeting featured a program by Colton Nolen from the Fawcett Wildlife Management Area near Gordon, which is northwest of Granbury. Colton is the resident wildlife biologist for the management area. This is the newest WMA in the state, and they are working to get the wildlife, supporting vegetation to return the area to its native condition. It had been a game hunting facility and had some non-native wildlife introduced and has some invasive vegetation that needs to be addressed. It was a very entertaining and informative program. The area will offer the opportunity for some draw hunts close to this area.

Our April meeting was a fish fry at the RV Pavilion where we got to sample some of the fish caught on recent fishing trips. Thanks to those that cooked all that fish, and to those that brought great side dishes.

Our May meeting will be May 11, location to be determined. If you have an interest in the club or need information you can contact me at ccald67@gmail.com.



From left, Vic Zemanek, Mike Margle, Bob Price and Jerry Sprayberry reeled in a great catch on Lake Whitney.

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### PECAN COMMUNITY GARDENS

It is our most active planting time of the year in the Community Gardens. When you drive by (it's located to the right of the walking trail next to the PAC), notice the transformation this spring, with fresh beds, trellises, and blooming flowers galore!

In March, the club met toward the end of the month to prepare many beds for later plantings of squash and zucchini. We planted eggplant, parsley, dill, lettuce, and Early Girl tomatoes. Kentucky Wonder and Rattlesnake Pole beans, and Blue Lake bush beans were planted, as well.

In April, we added more tomato plants, mustard greens, eggplant, okra, basil, and many types of additional herbs.

May brings a happy hour in the garden for our members to get to know each other better in a more relaxed atmosphere, and then our fundraising season begins at the Memorial Day Street Dance on May 29 on the Clubhouse lawn. Bring your children for fun carnival games, and if you're a member, join in the fun of running the balloon dart game, the bottle ring toss, and the basketball game. Everyone, young or old(er) is a winner!

Find us on Facebook at PPOA Community Gardens, or on the web at ppoacommunitygardens.org. The website features information for everyone, including tips for produce and many tried-and-true recipes submitted by garden club members. Find these in the Resources tab.

Email us at ppoacommunitygardens@gmail.com. Join us in the Community Gardens on our frequent workdays. Watch Facebook and the Nextdoor Pecan app for dates and stop by any time you see someone working in the gardens. We would love to show you around!

#### FRESH CUCUMBER SALAD

by Janie Portele
Sliced cucumbers, red onions, garlic chives and basil,
tossed with rice wine vinegar and black pepper. Such
a fresh, cool, healthful salad!



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**SUMMER SPORTS CAMP** 

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9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

I - June 6 - 9

II - July 11 -14

III - August 1 - 4

#### SWING-N-SWIM CAMP

(Tennis and Swim)

9 a.m. – Noon

A - June 13 - 16

B - June 20 - 23

C - June 27 - 30

D - July 18 - 21

E - July 25 - 28

#### **PECAN JUNIOR TENNIS**

Wednesday 4:30-5:30 p.m. Ages 6 and up, all levels May 3-24



Summer is almost here. Make sure you have signed up your child or grandchild for our summer Junior Camps

It is time for the summer tennis majors! (French Open in Paris; Wimbledon in London; U.S. Open in New York) If you find that you were mistakenly left out of the draw, be sure to play in our Pecan Gland Slam Tennis events!

Thanks to all who participated in the PPTA annual Spring Barbecue. What fun to see everyone in a social setting and "in regular clothes." Much appreciation to the hardworking PPTA board (Ken, Randy, Joe, Dee, and Pat) for making it happen.

A group of ladies from Sun City Georgetown will be visiting us May 2-4; if you'd like to play some tennis with this very fun and friendly group (mostly 3.5 level), let us know!

Calling all Juniors! We're holding another "Junior Invitational Tennis Tournament on Friday, May 26! Contact Coach John for details.!

#### **SACRÉ BLEU!**

It's time to "play on the clay" to celebrate the French Open which takes place in Paris on May 29 – June 11. Join us on the clay courts at River Crest Country Club in Fort Worth Saturday, June 3, 3-5 p.m. See Monsieur John Ingram for details, 817-579-9412. Très bon! Merci!



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## THESE LOVEBIRDS REALLY LOVE BIRDS

The power couple of Acton Nature Center

by Ashley Inge

Photos by David Montesino and Maryann Mathews



ave and Wendy Moore are the true definition of "lovebirds" — in more ways than one.

The husband-and-wife duo have been Rio Brazos Master Naturalists for 12 years. Together, they share their love of birding by leading bird walks at the Acton Nature Center.

Originally from Florida, the Moores moved to the Granbury area in 1987 when Dave started a new job at the Comanche Peak Nuclear Power Plant. They currently reside in Pecan Plantation.

Dave's grandparents were always interested in birds, which influenced Dave to give the pastime a try.

"I remember as a little kid looking at bird books," he said. "I actually started recording my first birds in the 1970s."



But it wasn't until he met Wendy — whose father was an ornithologist professor at the University of South Florida — that he really got serious about birding.

"It's just a great way to get outside," Dave said. "We're outdoors people. We'd much prefer to go tent camping somewhere than to go on a cruise. It tunes you into nature. The number of people who consider themselves birders is huge. It's a huge pastime sport around the world."

According to the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service website, more than 45 million people watch birds around their homes and away from home.

"It's interesting on its own, but it's also just something that's so easy to do, and you could do it absolutely everywhere," Wendy said. "We love it because we bird everywhere we go. We take birding trips. A lot of people once they start doing it, it's just kind of addictive."

For example, on one bird walk, many birds were spotted, including cardinals, crows, white-throated sparrow, darkeyed junco, Harris' sparrow, a roadrunner and even a unique species of duck called the hooded merganser.

"Probably the most exciting thing is seeing a new species which, for me, is pretty rare," Dave said. "I may get a new species once or twice a year, and even then, I have to really go looking for it like go to Alaska or someplace. I like just being outside on a nature walk with other people. You don't

have to worry about anything else."

"You get into the moment," Wendy said. "It's relaxing to me."

Acton Center's bird walks are usually on the first Saturday of the month. It is a three-hour excursion that takes attendees to the bird blind two separate times, where they can observe birds at the feeders and water feature. With three different areas and big windows that make for easy access, the bird blind is a perfect spot for bird watchers.

"It's just kind of a way to get back in nature," Dave said. "There's always the fun of trying to spot a new bird and it's just challenging because it's not easy. Takes a lot of years and even then, you get stumped. If it was easy, anybody could do it."

"The more you do it, the more you realize, 'Wow. I've got quite a list here going that I can identify," Wendy said.

The bird walks are held from 7-9:45 a.m. at the Acton Nature Center, located at 6900 Smokey Hill Court.

"They are amazing creatures," Dave added. "They've been around for 150 million years. They've survived the asteroid that wiped out 75% of species on the planet."

"The more you learn about them, the better they get," Wendy added.

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#### PECAN PLANTATION BRIEFS

#### **ARCHERY AND AIR GUN ASSOCIATION**

Volunteers are needed for Kids Camps. Those interested should contact Lisa Rackley at pecanarcheryairgunclub@gmail. com or come to the next meeting.

Archery Camp will be held June 5-6. Air Gun Camp will be held on June 15-16.

Both will be from 10 am-11:30 a.m. with a Hot Dog Lunch on the last day. The fee will be \$10.00 per participant. Space is limited, so sign up soon.

More information is available at the PAC building. Note that we need six or seven volunteers for each day. Prizes will be awarded the last day of the camp.

The next club meetings are May 2 and June 6, 7 p.m. at the range.

--Lisa Rackley



At the Pecan Plantation Easter Egg Shoot on April 1, the top shooters, from left, were Lisa Rackley (\$19 winner), Holly Dockery (\$23 winner), Lizzy (Grand Prize winner, \$73).

#### **BLOOD DRIVE**

Donate blood and enter the raffle for a Yeti Daytrip lunch bag donated by Pecan Ace Hardware. Every donor also receives a Pecan Ace Hardware (\$5 off \$25 purchase) coupon and a free Cinnamon Pull at the Village Bistro with proof of donation good through May 31. Bonus raffle drawings include Pecan Liquors and Board & Cork gift certificates.

The location is the gymnasium at the PAC, 9145 Plantation, Wednesday, May 3, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Pecanplantation to schedule an appointment. (Next PP blood drive is Nov. 8.)

#### **TENNIS ASSOCIATION**

By the time you read this, the annual meeting and picnic will have occurred, and a new board of directors installed. A new movable shade structure as a test case will be on a court and volunteers for staffing the Memorial Day Street Dance snow cone booth are being requested. If you can spare an hour at the dance, we would greatly appreciate it.

The 'once in a while volunteers' slots are always available and appreciated.

The association recycles cans (contact Gus Quiroga), runs snow cone booths (contact-Randy Leach), and sells PP tennis clothing (contact Dee Wilcox) to pay for our 7th Court fund, play days and court enhancement items. New ideas are welcome at any time. See you at the street dance or play day.

– Kenneth Schreiber





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#### WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS CLUB

The next meeting is Tuesday, May 23 in the Clubhouse Terrace Room. Reception at 5:30 p.m. and the no-host dinner at 6:00 p.m. The program for May is Broadway Music, presented by Ray Scott and Lois Akers. RSVP no later than Tuesday, May 16 by noon. Contact Caryl Mahaffey at caryl. mahaffey@charter.net (preferred) or call 817-964-5915.

The Widows and Widowers Club meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Our Club focuses on meeting new friends for a night out, enjoying good eats and entertainment for widows and widowers living in Pecan Plantation.

If you have questions, please contact Caryl or any board members: Coleader Peggy Wetle, 817-243-8867; board member Dan Crise, 817-559-5416; board member Dale Heid, 817-219-6267.

-Caryl Mahaffey



The Widows and Widowers Club board members are, from left, Dan Crise, Peggy Wetle, Dale Heid, Caryl Mahaffey.



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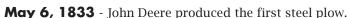
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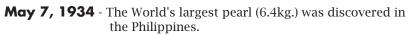
**May 5, 1862** - Mexican forces under Benito Juarez defeated French troops in the Battle of Puebla. Today, this battle is celebrated as 'Cinco de Mayo.'

**May 5, 1904** - Cy Young pitched the first perfect game in modern baseball history.

May 5, 1968 - Senator Robert F. Kennedy was assassinated.

May 5, 1971 - Alan Shepard rides "Freedom 7" to becomes 1st American in space.





**May 8, 1879** - George Selden filed the first patent for a gas driven automobile.

May 8, 1952 - Mad Magazine hit newsstands.

**May 10, 1908** - The first Mother's Day was observed in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**May 10, 1969** - The first color pictures of Earth from space were sent back from Apollo 10.

**May 10, 1994** - Nelson Mandela became South Africa's first black president.



May 12, 1792 - The flush toilet was patented.

**May 15, 1940** - Nylon stockings hit the market for first time.

May 15, 1963 - "If I Had a Hammer" by Peter, Paul, and Mary won a Grammy.

May 16, 1985 - Michael Jordan was named "NBA Rookie of the Year".

May 17, 1875 - The first Kentucky Derby was held at Churchill Downs.

May 17, 1900 - "The Wonderful World of Oz" was published.

May 17, 1884 - Alaska became a U.S. territory.

May 22, 1931 - Canned rattlesnake meat went on sale in Florida.

May 22, 1967 - The debut of "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood."

**May 22, 1977** - After a 94-year-run, the Orient Express took its final trip across Europe.

May 24, 1844 - Samuel Morse opened the first telegraph line between Baltimore and Washington, D.C.



May 24, 1883 - The Brooklyn Bridge was formally opened.

**May 25, 1927** - Ford Motors ceased production of the Model "T".

May 25, 1968 - Gateway Arch in St. Louis was dedicated.

May 31, 1884 - Dr. John Harvey Kellogg patented "flaked cereal."

**May 31, 1977** - The Trans-Alaska pipeline was completed.

May 31, 2000 - Television reality show "Survivor" premieres.





### **ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL & PPOA COMPLIANCE**

### **ACC REPORT**

The number of new home permits issued during March 2023 remained low with the ACC approving only (2) New Residence Construction Permits, (21) Miscellaneous Construction Permits, (1) Permit Extension and no Construction Revisions. The ACC construction permit list currently contains (40) active permits for new homes under construction and (33) active miscellaneous permits for various other improvements.

The following new homes were approved to begin construction during March 2023:

- 8616 Ravenswood Road, 3,284 sf, owner Joseph Stubbs, builder William Oliver.
- 5005 Piper Drive, 2,695 sf, owner and builder Mike Leatherwood.

### **COMPLIANCE CORNER**

During March 2023, the Compliance Office received 51 calls and 10 emails reporting possible compliance issues, 12 calls and 2 emails regarding vacant property maintenance, plus 583 calls and 94 emails requesting ACC, plat/lot, rules, C&R or construction information.

With the summer vacation season already beginning, it is reminded that RVs (motorhome, travel trailer, camper, pop-up), boats, boat trailers, and personal watercraft (jet skis) are prohibited from being visibly stored on residential lots. With only an extremely small number of exceptions,

temporary parking of such normally prohibited equipment is only permitted for a few hours during active loading/unloading and on a strictly "occasional" basis for a period not to exceed 72-hours when extensive cleaning or minor repairs are necessary. A violation exists when visible equipment parking either exceeds the single-period 72-hour limit or when frequent periods of daily or multiple-day parking becomes an obvious abuse of the "occasional" restriction. "Occasional" is defined as less than 25% (or 84 total-accrued hours) during any consecutive two-week period.

### **HOME SALE NOTE**

Upon the sale or transfer of home ownership by any other means, Section-17 of PPOA Rules & Regulations requires residential property to be in compliance with all applicable elements of PPOA's Governing Documents. If ownership is transferred with an existing non-compliant issue, the new owner will be responsible for bringing the property into compliance. When it is requested by a title company, lending institution or prospective buyer, PPOA will perform a compliance inspection and return a report stating whether or not the property is in compliance and detail any deficiency if it is not. Since compliance certification requests are frequently received only a few days before the scheduled closing date, we remind members contemplating the sale of their home to help avoid any last minute surprises or delays by contacting Membership Services at the PPOA Business Office to arrange an early inspection by Code Enforcement to identify any existing issue that may require corrective action

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### **AUXILIARY NEWS**

By Lana Robinson

High on the priority list for the Pecan Plantation VFD/EMS Auxiliary this spring is the organization's upcoming 2023 Auxiliary Golf Tournament, set for Saturday, June 24, at the Pecan Plantation Country Club.

Golfers have an opportunity to win three fantastic hole-inone prizes—a 2023 Kia car provided by Van Griffith Kia in Granbury (their third year of support), a \$10,000 hole-in-one cash prize offered by Thomas Mead, owner of Pecan Financial Services, LLC, another returning supporter; and a \$10,000 hole-in-one cash prize made possible by Pecan resident, Jeff Martin, owner of a new Wings Etc. in Granbury.

Form your teams and register ASAP as spaces are filling up fast. You can sign up at the Pecan Pro Shop (817-573-2645). Cost is \$65 per person for the 4-person scramble that begins at 1:30 p.m. on June 24. The Auxiliary will sell mulligans and raffle tickets. Pre-tournament golf games are planned.

For information about business and individual hole sponsorships, contact Lana Robinson (254-495-1717). Three levels of business sponsorships are available – Diamond Level, which gives your business the opportunity to have a pop-up tent on the course and ability to hand out business cards and materials. This level is \$750, and also includes a four-man team. For \$500, Gold Level sponsors get a hole sign plus a four-man team. For \$250, Silver Level sponsors get to place a sign on the hole.

The Auxiliary is also seeking additional raffle prizes. We have commitments for a .22LR Stinger RS pistol from Bond

Arms, Inc.; an airplane ride, donated by Steve Bloomquist, "The Flying Realtor," paired with a \$100 Gift Certificate for a meal at Hard Eight Barbecue in Stephenville; an overnight stay in a lakeview room at the Hilton Garden Inn plus breakfast for two; a Patriotic handmade quilt created by Georgia Crane; and an exotic car drive experience package at Motorsport Ranch in Cresson, donated by Prairie Wind Real Estate and DriveXotic. The Auxiliary is also offering a variety of smaller, themed raffle baskets with terrific items.

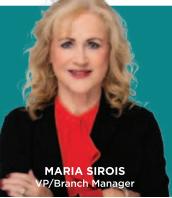
If you have something to donate, please contact Susan Lee at 972-743-1292 or Julie Logan, 727-252-3702. Tickets for high-end raffle prizes (\$275 and up), are \$20 each or six for \$100. Tickets for smaller value raffle prizes and baskets are \$5 each or five for \$20. Ticket sale locations to be announced.

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

The Auxiliary, with the assistance of the Granbury Lion's Club, will hold a Pancake Breakfast fundraiser from 7:30 to 11 a.m. at the EAA 983 Chapter Hangar and Planeview Park Pavilion, 4500 Wedgefield Rd., on Saturday, May 27. Tickets will be sold in advance or at the door: \$10 for adults and \$5 for children (5-10).

The next regular meeting of PPVFD/EMS Auxiliary is set for 7 p.m. in the Charlie Lee Memorial EMS building meeting room at 9518 Monticello Dr. on Monday, May 1. The meeting will be preceded by a light meal and social time beginning at 6 p.m.





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olks in Louisville, Kentucky turn the most exciting two minutes in sports into a month-long celebration of special events, distinct culinary traditions, and of course, bourbon. But, if you can't make it to Churchill Downs, for the May 6 iconic sporting event this year, why not get into the spirit by mixing up a batch of frosty Mint Juleps? Mint Juleps have been the official drink of the Kentucky Derby since 1983, and there are numerous variations, but the recipe provided here is just the basic version.

Another culinary tradition of the Kentucky Derby are mouth-watering Hot Browns. According to brownhotel. com, "In the 1920s, The Brown Hotel drew over 1,200 guests

each evening for its dinner dance. By the wee hours of the morning, guests would grow weary of dancing and make their way to the restaurant for a bite to eat. Sensing their desire for something more glamorous than traditional ham and eggs, Chef Fred Schmidt set out to create something new to tempt his guests' palates. His unique dish? An open-faced turkey sandwich with bacon and a delicate mornay sauce. The Hot Brown was born!" The authentic Brown Hotel recipe is included it here.

Serve the mint juleps and Hot Browns before the event and odds are that after the race, your guests will leave feeling like winners, no matter which horses win, place or show.



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### MINT JULEP

(1 serving)

4-5 fresh mint leaves, roughly torn

1/2 to 1 ounce simple syrup (recipe below)

Crushed ice (If you don't have crushed ice, put some ice cubes in a tea towel and pound

with a hammer)

Splash of cold water 2 ounces bourbon

Optional sprig of mint for garnish

To bottom of serving glass, add mint leaves and simple syrup. Muddle together with a muddler or handle of a wooden spoon.

Top with plenty of crushed ice, then pour in splash of cold water and bourbon.

Stir, garnish with the sprig of mint, and serve.



### THE WORLD-FAMOUS HOT BROWN

(2 servings)

2 ounces butter

2 ounces all-purpose flour

8 ounces heavy cream

8 oz. whole milk

 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of Pecorino Romano cheese, plus 1 tablespoon for garnish

Pinch of ground nutmeg

Salt and pepper

14 ounces sliced roasted turkey breast, thickly sliced

4 slices Texas toast (crust trimmed)

4 slices crispy bacon

2 Roma tomatoes, sliced in half

**Parmesan Cheese** 

Paprika

Parsley

In a two-quart saucepan, melt butter and slowly whisk in flour until combined and forms a thick paste (roux). Continue to cook roux for two minutes over medium-low heat, stirring frequently. Whisk heavy cream and whole milk into the roux and cook over medium heat until the cream begins to simmer, about 2-3 minutes. Remove sauce from heat and slowly whisk in Pecorino Romano cheese until the mornay sauce is smooth. Add nutmeg, salt and pepper to taste.

For each Hot Brown, place two slices of toast with the crusts cut off in an oven safe dish – one slice is cut in half

corner to corner to make two triangles and the other slice is left in a square shape - then cover with 7 ounces of turkey. Take the two halves of Roma tomato and two toast points and set them alongside the base of the turkey and toast. Next, pour one half of the mornay sauce to completely cover the dish. Sprinkle with additional Pecorino Romano cheese. Place the entire dish under a broiler until cheese begins to brown and bubble. Remove from broiler, cross two pieces of crispy bacon on top, sprinkle with paprika and parsley, and serve immediately.

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## HIGHWAY CLEAN UP

Fall Creek Adopt-a-Highway By Roger Merrill

n April 1, 13 of your Pecan neighbors, partnering with TxDOT, volunteered to help clean up two miles of Fall Creek Highway on the annual Adopt-A-Highway Trash Off day. Volunteers are divided into four groups, each walking one mile to pick up all sorts of litter, much of which is construction litter. Our Pecan kitchen provides us with water and snacks for the journey.

The group gathered enough to fill 20 large bags totaling about 600 pounds of litter. TxDOT is responsible for disposing of all this litter. Afterward, we gather to draw for gift certificates from our local merchants. Thanks to the following merchants that provided gift certificates: Ace Hardware, The Bistro, Pecan Foods, Triple C Golf Cart Service, Montras Salon for Men, Pecan Golf Shop.













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# SECURITY PATROL ACTIVITY

# March 2023 Highlights

03/07 A Security Patrol Officer observed a vehicle swerving in traffic on Plantation Road, nearly causing an accident with another vehicle. The security officer initiated a traffic stop on the vehicle and found the driver had been in an argument and complained of blinding headlights from approaching cars. The driver refused to provide a driver's license which is a rule violation of PPOA Rules and Regulations. After determining the driver was a member of Pecan Plantation, an additional security officer arrived at the location to assist and convinced the driver to allow for a safe escort home, temporarily removing the driver off the roadways for a "cooling-off" period.

03/07 The Security Gate located near Fall Creek Highway alerted Security Patrol Officers to a motorcycle that had struck the gate arm and continued travel at a high rate of speed. Security Patrol Officers observed the motorcycle traveling on Village Drive, approaching Monticello, over 60 MPH where the posted speed limit is 35 MPH. The Security Officers obtained a partial license plate on the motorcycle, determined the owner was a member, and later made contact with the member. The member admitted to operating the motorcycle at high speeds on the property at various times and refusing to stop for the security officers. The member was issued a speeding rule violation and a flagrant violation.

03/10 A Security Officer responded to the parking lot of a business for a report on an alleged theft of mirrors on a vehicle parked on location. The Hood County Sheriff's Department was contacted.

03/15 A vendor for the property drove through the Front Security Gate at the member lane, while the gate arm was illuminated red and in the down position, without stopping. The vendor assumed the commercial vehicle was equipped with a gate entry tag; however, it was not. There was no apparent damage to the front gate and it was placed back in service. The vendor was advised to enter the property through the guest entry lane for authorization.

03/18 A member traveling through the member lane, behind another vehicle, struck the back gate member lane gate entry arm as the arm was illuminated red and closing. The owner of the vehicle advised the gate entry tag had been removed from another vehicle and placed on the vehicle. The manufacturer of the gate entry tags provides information stating gate entry tags are not to be reused once removed from a vehicle. PPOA Rules and Regulations, Section 5.1.1 Entry Tag Control, states "Transferring entry tags between vehicles is strictly prohibited." Gate entry tags are not guaranteed to function properly after they have been improperly transferred. When a gate entry arm is illuminated red at any time, there should be no movement of any vehicle through the gate until the gate arm is illuminated green. Please come by the Security Office so the gate entry tag may be changed to avoid issues.

03/18 The Security Gate near Fall Creek Highway requested assistance from Security Officers due to an "aggressive" individual, not authorized on private property, refusing to turn around and exit. Security Officers reported on their arrival, the person became angry by throwing torn paper in a Security Officer's

face, and forcefully opening a truck door on a Security Officer's legs as the Officer stood outside the vehicle's door. Hood County Sheriff's Deputies were contacted and the individual was issued a Criminal Trespass Warning until such a time appropriate authorization/approval to the private property was granted.

03/21 The Security Gate near Fall Creek Highway requested assistance from Security Officers for an individual refusing to exit the Guest Lane after being denied entry to a liquor store on private property. The person was not a member and not an authorized guest for patronage or other business. The Security Officer arrived and after notifying Hood County Dispatch, the person exited the property without incident.

03/25 A Security Patrol Officer was contacted for a report on an alleged burglary at an unoccupied residence on Monticello. The residence is under construction; however, it was locked and secured. The incident was reported to have occurred between March 24 at 2:30 p.m. and March at 1 p.m. The entry appeared to have been made through a window that may have been opened by a piece of wire found nearby. Camera surveillance, placed by the contractor working on the residence, was observed on location. At the time of the report, it was not known if any property was missing. The Hood County Sheriff's Department was contacted for further investigation.

### March 2023

March 2023						
Asset Type ▼	Number 🗐					
Speeding up to 10 MPH	37					
Speeding 11-15 MPH	28					
Speeding 16-20 MPH	4					
Speeding 21+ MPH	3					
Parking Violation	4					
Failure to Stop	3					
Warning	15					
Flagrant Violation- Reckless Driving	1					
Flagrant Violation- Reckless Behavior	1,					

### Areas of Citations Issued

Champions - 1

Cherokee - 2

Leisure Drive - 1

Monticello - 20

Orchard - 4

Plantation - 23

Ravenswood - 4

Treemont - 1

West Wedgefield - 22

Wedgefield - 4

Westover - 1

Westover Ct. - 4

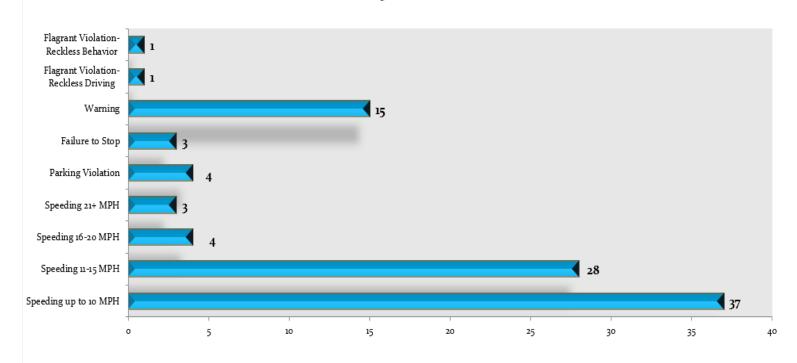
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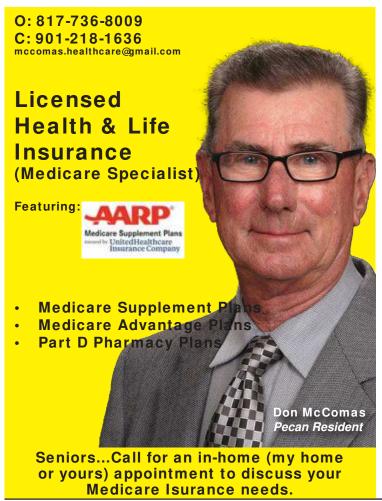
Member/Guest - 78

Contractor/Vendor - 18

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### Citations March 2023 Total: 96 Citations









### SAVE THE DATE FOR MAJOR GOLF EVENTS

May 19-21	. Guys & Dolls
June 5-6	Aerification
June 19-20	LGA Member/Member
July 14-16	. Men's Member/Guest
July 24-25	LGA Championship
July 31-August 1	. Aerification
August 12-13	Men's Member/Member
Sept. 18-20	LGA Member/Guest
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### **Pecan Plantation** Woman's Club

PPWC Luncheon & Program

Thursday, May 18, 2023 **Clubhouse Ballroom** Gathering 9:30 a.m. - Meeting 10:00 a.m. Carol Herrick, President, 303-882-9032



Chicken Sausage Paella Flan with Caramel Sauce

Susie Strong, Rebcca Faiola and Lois Akers

Luncheon: \$21.00 Program seating without lunch \$5.00

-RESERVATIONS-

Final Reservations Deadline noon Friday, May 12 Cancellations by Tuesday, May 16th Email (preferred) to: ppwcres@gmail.com or call Gerta Howell at (817) 964-3139 No-show policy is in effect



### 'Caring for Rescued & Abused Animals"

This month's Table Top Charity is Second Chance Farm. Monetary donations in the form of check or cash are greatly appreciated.



# PECAN PLANTATION **WOMAN'S CLUB**

By Carol Herrick

May completes the programs for the year for Pecan Plantation Woman's Club. June will start our summer Chit Chat meetings. This ends my year serving as the president of PPWC. What an honor I was bestowed. Pecan Plantation Woman's Club is a well-oiled machine that continues to run each month with traditions that have come from years past. It is a club that improves how they do its programs, fundraisers, and community

As their president, I learned how resolute and how many hours our volunteers contribute to making each event successful. Every year, they find a way to increase funds to donate more to PPOA, local Hood County charities, and scholarships to deserving Hood County young women. PPWC lights up Pecan from the front gate to the back gate at Christmas. The clubhouse and other community buildings all receive a touch of sparkle and Christmas spirit. Hours and hours of women organizing, fluffing, and decorating. What you will also see is a group of ladies smiling and enjoying each other's company. That is PPWC! Fast-forward, repeat is the Boot Scootin' event. Auction items were donated and raffled, done with bling and a lot of smiling volunteers.

If you have considered attending a meeting, our May meeting will be full of music and laughter. May 18 is "Let's Play A Musical Game!" Our May tabletop charity is Second Chance Farms. Members donate products that the charity needs and/or a monetary donation. Check out the amazing work they do on their website at www. secondchancefarmgranbury.org.

May is the month to join or renew your membership for the 2023-2024 upcoming year. If you aren't available in May, please plan on attending a Chit Chat Luncheon in June. We meet on the third Thursday of each month. The summer Chit Chats start at 10:30 a.m. for social time and 11:30 a.m. for lunch. June 15 will be our first summer Chit Chat. Reservations must be made by noon on the Friday prior to the luncheon. Email reservations to ppwcres@gmail.com, or call Gerta Howell at 817-964-3139. You may join or renew your membership online at www.myppwc.com.

To visit our Facebook page, search on Facebook for "Pecan Plantation Woman's Club." In closing, if you want to make friends, be a part of a group that gives back, and have fun, please consider Pecan Plantation Woman's Club.



# **HUMMINGBIRDS**

By Mary Lou Wood



Hummingbirds are so called for the whirring or humming sound their wings make. These tiny birds beat their wings up to 200 times per second. The wings beat so quickly that all you see is a blur.

The smallest hummingbird, and the smallest bird in the world, is the bee hummingbird, which is 2.5 inches long and weighs in at less than a dime.

Hummingbirds use a lot of energy flying and must eat constantly to fuel their bodies. They can eat twice their body weight in one day. They use their tongue to suck nectar out of flowers.

### **PHYSICAL FEATURES**

The body lengths of different species of hummingbirds vary between 2 and 8 inches.

The weight of hummingbirds of different species ranges between 1.8 and 20 grams. In most species, the females are 25% larger than the males.

### **BEHAVIOR**

Hummingbirds of both genders can be aggressive. Tempers rise during breeding season, when building its nest or defending it from intruders.

### **FEEDING**

After taking nectar from a flower, it remembers the flower and revisits it only after the flower is refilled. The hummingbird also feeds on pollen and tree sap. It ingests sand and ash for essential minerals. Insects and insect eggs are part of their diet. It also eats spiders.

To conserve energy at night, the hummingbird goes into a state of deep sleep called torpor. In torpor, the body temperature drops, the heart rate decreases to 50 per minute, and the metabolism rate comes down by 60%. Hummingbirds can live for 12 years.

Hummingbirds have few predators as their quickness and agility in flight usually prevent other birds and mammals from catching them. Collision with windows can be fatal. The greatest hazards are the weather and a shortage of food that might occur when frost kills the flowers they feed on.

Flowering plants that attract hummingbirds includes the Turk's cap, morning-glory, silver-leaf sunflower, coral vine, esperanza, trumpet vine, all honeysuckles. Some others with appetizing nectar are azaleas, bee palm, tiger lily, snapdragon and mimosa tree.

Sources easyscienceforkids.com, Texas Parks and Wildlife, https://www.parentcircle.com.

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### **PICKLEBALL NEWS**

If you have ever wanted to learn to play pickleball but are unable to attend a Monday session, the PPPA will conduct a free beginner's clinic on Saturday, May 6. The session will be from 9-11 a.m. on the outdoor courts at the PAC. Space is limited to the first 20 PPOA members to sign up. Paddles will be available to use. Please wear comfortable clothing and athletic shoes.

Beginning in May, the beginner's clinics will now be conducted once a month on the first Monday of the month (in May, on May 1). The lessons are from 11 a.m. to noon on the PAC indoor courts. For each remaining Monday of the month, that designated court will be set aside for novice play from 11 a.m. to noon.

Additional open play inside is from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. every weekday except

Wednesday. If players are interested in playing on the outdoor court, please make the required reservation. If you are new to Pecan or outdoor play, instructions for the process of making a reservation are available at the PAC front desk.

Pecan Ladies Pickleball member Pam Kuhlman recently designed and made over 30 new T-shirts for the group. She



Pam Kuhlman designed and made the new T-shirts for the pickleball ladies.

also donated a portion of the money collected to PPPA. The Ladies continue to meet every Thursday afternoon from 1-3 at the PAC. All levels welcome.

The PPPA will have a members' social on Friday, May 12 at 6 p.m. at the outdoor courts. Please sign up to bring a side dish and plan to join in on an evening of food, fun, and games.



### **GREEN THUMB GARDEN CLUB**

By Linda Kunzman

Your annual support helps Green Thumb Garden Club "sweeten" the welcoming appearance at the front and back circles. We know you can't help but see the final touch with a fresh addition of mulch at the circles. Accenting all the plants and pathways not only looks awesome, but helps prevent weeds or at least cuts down on the labor for weeding.

We add spring flowers each year and decorate for most holidays. They are typically a "work in progress," all depending on the community support that allows us more financial freedom to spruce things up.

Because we are not funded by PPOA, we are successful



New mulch makes the front circle more welcoming.

because of the generous donations and annual contributions. We thank PPWC for their ongoing financial support each year. Our goal this year is to add uplighting to the trees in the front circle with some landscape lighting as well.

If you are interested in signing up for an automatic annual contribution billed



The climbing vines on the arbor are gorgeous this time of year.

on your PPOA account each November or becoming a working member (optional), please feel free to contact our Membership Coordinator, Carol Walker, 817-658-8299. Be sure to leave a message so she can call you back and get a form out to you.

Thank you, Pecan residents, for loving what we do to make our community a more beautiful place to live.





# SAVE THE DATE

This handy guide will provide listings of group and club activities, meetings and events. To be included, send your info to columns@hcnews.com with "Save the Date" in the subject line. All info is as provided and correct at press time.

### **ARCHERY & AIRGUN CLUB**

Contact pecanarcheryairgunclub@gmail.com.

May 2 Meeting at the Range, 7 p.m. June 6 Meeting at the Range, 7 p.m.

### **ART GUILD**

Contact ppartguild@gmail.com.

May 9 Meeting at PAC, 10:30 a.m.

May 24 Makers Open Forum at EMS, 1-4 p.m.

### **BLOOD DRIVE**

May 3 Pecan Activity Center, appointments required,

RedCrossBlood.org, search for

pecanplantation. (Next blood drive Nov. 8.)

### **BRAZOS RIVER SPORTSMAN'S CLUB**

Contact Cecil Caldwell, ccald67@gmail.com.

May 11 Meeting location TBA, 6 p.m.

### **BREAKFAST CLUB**

Contact Ron Liddell, ronlidell@gmail.com.

May 10 Meeting, Clubhouse Terrace Room, 9 a.m.May 24 Meeting, Clubhouse Terrace Room, 9 a.m.

### **BRIDGE**

Contact Sharon Green, 817-559-2974.

May 3 Play in Terrace Room, noon.

June 7 Play in Terrace Room, noon.

### **COMMUNITY GARDENS**

Contact ppoacommunitygardens@gmail.com.

May 13 Garden Workday

May 28 Memorial Day Fundraiser Street Dance,

volunteer slots available.

June 10 Garden Workday

### **GREEN THUMB GARDEN CLUB**

Contact Shar Bogard, skbogi1@gmail.com, for first Monday Front Circle workdays.

May 1 Workday at Front Circle, 8 to 11 a.m. June 5 Workday at Front Circle, 8 to 11 a.m.

Contact Linda Kunzman, lindagogo@msn.com for last Tuesday Back Circle workdays.

May 30 Workday at Back Circle, 8 to 11 a.m June 27 Workday at Back Circle, 8 to 11 a.m

### **HORSE OWNERS**

Contact Tammy Dressman, 817-614-9744.

May 16 Meeting at Clubhouse Conference Room, 6 p.m.

### **RV CLUB**

Contact David Kroon, dk1341@swbell.net.

May 21-24 Mini-rally, Shady Campground

### **VFD AUXILIARY**

Contact Lana Robinson, robinsonsgranbury@yahoo.com.

May 1 Meeting at EMS, 7 p.m. June 5 Meeting at EMS, 7 p.m.

### **WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS GROUP**

Contact Caryl Mahaffey, caryl.mahaffey@charter.net.

May 23 Meeting, dinner and program at Clubhouse Terrace Room, 5:30 p.m.



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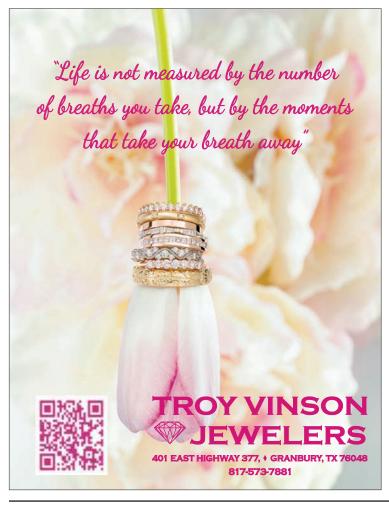
# **PECAN EMS:** 97 CALLS FOR SERVICE IN MARCH

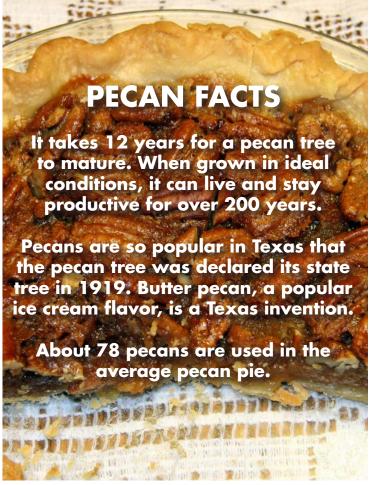
By Brandl Stephenson BA, LP, NRP, FP-C Chief, Pecan Plantation EMS

There has been quite a spike in call volume recently, meaning we are responding to more calls for medical and emergency service. Remember, calling 911 is the best way to get the assistance you need to your door in a timely and efficient manner but, if you just need a check-up, feel free to stop by our base at 9518 Monticello Dr. We can perform blood pressure and blood sugar checks as well as assist you in administration of your prescribed medications. Occasionally, we may recommend going to the hospital or scheduling a visit with your primary care provider, based on your current concern or our medical assessments and findings.

Please take a moment and remember those who serve, both at home and abroad. Your prayers and well-wishes really do carry weight and are greatly appreciated.







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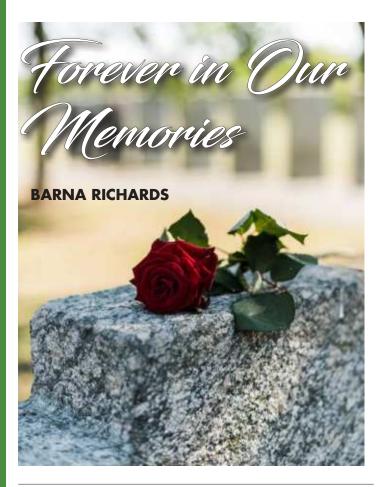
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The program, in conjunction with National EAA Flying Start Day, will begin at 9 a.m. at the EAA hangar near the Plainview Park (look for the banner). Attendees will be introduced to the world of aviation through a video, a PowerPoint presentation and talks from individuals about getting started in aviation. Different areas of aviation, such as fixed-wing, helicopters, light sport aircraft, seaplanes, glides will be covered.

Instructors from all the nearest flight schools will be on hand to discuss cost and what equipment they have available for training.

After the presentation, we will match you up with one of our outstanding and highly experienced pilots flying here in Pecan who will explain to you the operation of the airplane and let you handle the controls.

If you want to move forward we will match you with a pilot who will serve as a mentor.

This program is not just an airplane ride. It is for that person who has always dreamed about flying and is serious about learning.

Advanced registration is required. Space is limited to 20-25 people. Refreshments will be served.

Contact Tom Woodward, buhwana@charter.net, 817-279-3080, for more information. Sign up at www.flyingstart.org, select May 20 at Pecan Plantation.



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# Pecan Plantation Owners Association Pecan Plantation Country Club For the Four Months Ending February 2023

### **CONSOLIDATED OPERATING STATEMENT**

	Α	ctual YTD	Budget		Variance	
Operating Revenues	\$	3,076,770	\$	3,213,573	\$	(136,803)
Cost of Goods Sold	\$	(391,696)	\$	(438,521)	\$	46,825
Gross Operating Profit	\$	2,685,074	\$	2,775,052	\$	(89,978)
Labor, Taxes & Benefits	\$	(1,721,336)	\$	(1,849,843)	\$	128,507
Other Operating Expenses	\$	(931,050)	\$	(1,009,622)	\$	78,572
Net Operating Income/(Loss) Before Depreciation	\$	32,688	\$	(84,413)	\$	117,101

### **RESERVE & REPLACEMENT FUND**

	Actual YTD		Year End Forecast	
Beginning Balance	\$	3,137,880	\$	3,137,880
Fund Deposits	\$	267,984	\$	1,074,868
Fund Expenditures	\$	(291,511)	\$	(2,573,778)
Ending Balance	\$	3,114,353	\$	1,638,970

### **NEW CAPITAL FUND**

	Actual YTD		Year End Forecast		
Beginning Balance	\$	207,162	\$	207,162	
Fund Deposits	\$	112,392	\$	329,148	
Fund Expenditures	\$	-	\$	(91,611)	
Ending Balance	\$	319,554	\$	444,699	

### **ROAD & DRAINAGE FUND**

	Actual Y I D		Year End Forecast		
Beginning Balance	\$	1,347,968	\$	1,347,968	
Fund Deposits	\$	571,930	\$	1,726,582	
Fund Expenditures	\$	-	\$	(2,125,000)	
<b>Ending Balance</b>	\$	1,919,898	\$	949,550	

# GENERALMANAGER



### THE BUSY SEASON

What a great start to the "busy season!" We made it past Easter. And if you thought things were hectic before we stuffed hundreds of eggs at the PAC, just wait. The pedal is about to be put to the proverbial metal. In other words, many fantastic things are headed Pecan's way.

But before spring rolls into summer, I want to take a moment to express my gratitude to our wonderful committee members, especially those volunteers who are stepping down to take a rest. You have all worked tirelessly to make our association the outstanding place it is today, and we appreciate your contributions.

As you know, we have a lot of amenities, from the golf course to the PAC, and everything in between. Behind each of our assets are dedicated members, who have ensured they are maintained to the highest standards. The Golf Committee, for example, has worked tirelessly to ensure that our course remains in great condition year-round, while the Entertainment Committee keeps us active and enjoying the fun side of the neighborhood.

Of course, there are many other groups that have made an impact on our club, including the Safety and Security, Marina, and Airport committees, just to mention a few. Each of these committees plays a crucial role in making our slice of Heaven a vibrant and dynamic place to live.

In the coming weeks, many committees will be welcoming fresh faces who are excited to contribute to the continued success of Pecan. I am personally grateful to everyone who signed up to serve. We have tremendous amounts of community pride and expertise inside these gates. The spirit of volunteerism overflows here, and I couldn't ask for a better group of people. Our committees are the fuel that keeps Pecan's engine running.

In closing, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who has worked so tirelessly to make our association the place it is today. If you are retiring from a committee, your contributions have not gone unnoticed. We are all fortunate to have you here, and I hope you will volunteer again after your well-deserved break.



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