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How to avoid water damage to your home this summer

Your primary condensate line runs from your indoor unit to a plumbing "trap" (P-trap) in the house, usually in a bathroom sink or may lead outside beside your outdoor unit. Sometimes it will clog up with algae or debris and the water will go to your secondary condensate line. Your secondary drain line typically empties somewhere very visible, front or back porch. When that line is draining it's because your primary line isn't.

What should I do if my lines are clogged? First, turn off your system to keep it from creating more condensation. Second, you can attempt to unclog the lines yourself. There are a few DIY solutions to unclog your drain you can find online. Finally, depending on your DIY confidence level and whether you're able to safely access your drain lines you may want to call in a professional. Daffan technicians ensure your drain lines are running clear at each maintenance checkup. All systems installed by Daffan Cooling & Heating include a water safety device to safeguard your home.

We hope this tip will save you some grief and possibly money this summer. Remember, if you find yourself in need of help your Daffan Pros are ready 24/7 this summer.

Questions? Need to sign up for maintenance? We're happy to help.

Know where your condensation drains are located & ensure they are draining properly

What can happen when one or both drain lines become clogged?

- ◆ Water leakage coming from your ceiling, attic or closet where the indoor unit is located
- ◆ Stained ceiling or walls
- ◆ A muggy, humid feeling in your home
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- ◆ Air conditioner shuts off and won't turn back on



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BOD Meeting:

July 27, 2023, 6 p.m.

BOD Committee Workshop:

July 13, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

Both meetings in Ballroom



COMMITTEE DIRECTORY

Committee	Frequency/Day	Time	Location
Airport	2nd Thursday	8 a.m.	Planeview Park Pavillion (weather permitting)
Appeals	2nd Tuesday	10 a.m.	S&S Conference Room
ACC	1st and 3rd Thursdays	2 p.m.	S&S Conference Room
Bylaws	2nd Monday	1 p.m.	CH Conference Room
Communications	2nd Monday	10 a.m.	CH Conference Room
Entertainment	1st Wednesday	2 p.m.	CH Conference Room
Finance	Wednesday prior to 4th Thursday	3:30 p.m.	CH Conference Room
Golf	1st Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	CH Conference Room
Horse Owners	TBD	6 p.m.	CH Conference Room
Infrastructure	1st Tuesday	9 a.m.	CH Conference Room
LRP	Wednesday prior to 4th Thursday	1:30 p.m.	CH Conference Room
Marina	2nd Wednesday	3 p.m.	CH Conference Room
Membership Orientation	1st Saturday & 3rd Tuesday	10 a.m.	Terrace Room or Ballroom
Safety & Security	3rd Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	S&S Conference Room
Sports & Rec (Grounds)	Aug. 1, Oct. 3, Dec. 5	1 p.m.	PAC
Wildlife	2nd Friday	8:30 a.m.	CH Conference Room

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New Member Orientation

10 a.m. in the Terrace Room

To register for New Member Orientation, please contact
Jimmy Flanigan, Pecan Member Representative at
jimmyc@ppoaweb.com or 817-573-2641 Ext. 335.

JULY

Saturday, July 1
Tuesday, July 18

AUGUST

Saturday, August 5
Tuesday, August 15

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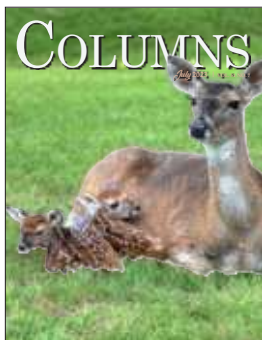


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ON THE COVER



A MOTHER’S LOVE

Few bonds are as strong as the bonds of motherhood. As Gilda Radner once said, “[Motherhood is] the biggest gamble in the world. It is the glorious life force. It’s huge and scary—it’s an act of infinite optimism.”

Photo by Karen Gomez

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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

I hope this message finds you in good health, high spirits, and comfortably cool. Before the oppressive heat of summer causes everyone's AC to run non-stop, I want to reflect on the Memorial Day Festival and Street Dance we had just a few short weeks ago. I would like to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you for making it a success.

It was fantastic to witness the camaraderie and the overwhelming turnout for the festivities, and I would like to extend a special note of appreciation to our incredible staff and volunteers who worked tirelessly behind the scenes. Their efforts truly exemplify the spirit of service that drives our community.

As we stand on the precipice of July, rising temperatures aren't the only thing on the horizon. Aside from our upcoming Independence Day Celebration and Men's Member/Guest Tournament – which are both full of activities



PPOA President Steve Perry

for the whole community to enjoy – other less exciting but equally important things are taking place. Road projects are underway, and the Board continues to look for ways to ensure a bright and long future for our association. And as always, if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

I highly encourage you to stay on top of all Pecan news and activities by making sure you receive our e-blasts. They are the easiest way to get details about everything going on in Pecan. If you are not receiving them, visit our website and fill out the form located at the top of the FAQ page. Also, you should like and follow our official Facebook page. Right now, the website, E-blasts and the PPOA Facebook are the three official lines of communication, and more are on the way. We are working to make sure you are up to date regarding all things Pecan. After all, a well-informed neighborhood is a happy neighborhood! Until next month.

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MGA TOURNAMENTS AND EVENTS

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- JULY 8--TOURNAMENT ROYALE--MIXED SCRAMBLE
- JULY 20--INDIVIDUAL LG/LN PICK YOUR OWN 4 SOME.
- JULY 27--4 PERSON SHAMBLE--COUNT 3 BB PSST

AUGUST

- AUGUST 3--TRAVEL TO CLEBURNE GOLF LINKS--
PICK YOUR OWN 4 SOME
- AUGUST 12-13 --MEMBER/MEMBER
- AUGUST 17--TEXAS SCRAMBLE (4 DRIVES/PLAYER) PSST
- AUGUST 24--PAR 3 TOURNAMENT--INDIVIDUAL LG/LN
PICK YOUR OWN 4 SOME
- AUGUST 31--"WHINER" LG/LNET INDIVIDUAL--
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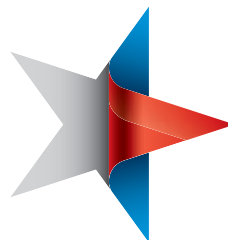


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By Carol Bishop, PPLGA President

Our Member/Member Tournament in June was so much fun, as usual, and our tournament chair, Michelle Mills did a wonderful job. If you have never played in this tournament, grab a partner next year and join the fun.

We are looking forward to our very first LGA Championship July 24 and 25. This competition will be open only to those who were paid LGA members on July 1, 2023. Information for this LGA event is available in the Pro Shop. You may enter on ForeTee under the event section.

Our membership has really grown this year. We now have a total of 175 members, including the 18 hole players as well as the nine hole players, and we get new members almost every week. What a wonderful group of ladies I have the honor to represent.

See you on the course, and remember to drink plenty of water out there on the course. It's going to be a very hot month.

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July 24-25	LGA Championship
July 28-30	Men's Member/Guest
July 31-August 1	Aerification
August 12-13	Men's Member/Member
Sept. 18-20	LGA Member/Guest
Sept. 30-Oct. 1	Club Championship
Oct. 14-15	MGA Championship
Oct. 23-24	LGA President's Choice

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Fri, July 7 (starts at 9 p.m.)

Ant Man and the Wasp: Quantumania (Rated PG-13)

SWIM LESSONS AT THE PAC POOL

July 10 - July 21

Mom & Tot (Ages 6 mo. to 4) 10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Beginners (Ages 3 to 5) 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Older (Ages 6 to 9) 11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Cost: \$80/members & \$100/guests

Instructor: Certified Swim Instructor

KIDS PICKLEBALL CAMP - AGES 8-12

July 10, 11, 13, & 14

1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

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

One hour of indoor Pickleball instruction and one hour of supervised swim to cool off! Please bring towel, swimsuit, water & sunscreen. Wear tennis shoes.

CUPCAKE CAMP (AGES 8+) - ALL NEW!

July 17, 18, 20, & 21

10 a.m. - 11 p.m.

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

Instructor: Maria Ward

Kids will learn how to make frosting & fondant to decorate cupcakes they bake. They will learn basics of baking & measuring and color schemes. Fun!!

Maximum 10 students - Must pre-register!

ENCHANTED SUMMER DANCE CAMP (AGES 3 - 7)

August 3, 4, & 5

1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Cost: \$75 each

Instructor: Dance Dreams Academy Staff

The kids will get to experience all of the fun of being different Disney Princesses throughout each day all while focusing on ballet and tap technique. Crafts and singing songs too!

Please bring princess stuff and tap shoes if possible.

NOTE SPECIAL CLUBHOUSE POOL HOURS:

Street Dance: Sun, July 2 (9:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.)

Pool CLOSED: Monday, July 3

Pool Open Tuesday, July 4

Normal Club Pool Hours: 9:30 a.m. - 8 p.m. Closed: Mondays

PAC Pool Hours MAY thru AUGUST:

Open: Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri, Sat, & Sun

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

Closed: Every Wednesday

Guest fees of \$4 apply to all non-members at both pools

EXERCISE CLASSES

Yoga with DeDe

Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri (9 a.m. - 10 a.m.)

Cost: \$10/class or \$35/month (4 classes) or \$65/month (8 classes) or \$95/month unlimited classes

Certified Instructor: DeDe Lamont

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Certified Instructor: DeDe Lamont

Pilates

Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri (8 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.)

Cost: \$3/class

Instructor: Shawn Farris (Please bring your own mat)

Low Impact Aerobics

Mon, Tues, Weds, Thurs, & Fri (8 a.m. - 9 a.m.)

Saturday (9 a.m. - 10 a.m.)

Cost: \$3/class

Bring hand weights & a mat if possible

Deep Water Aerobics at Club Pool

Tues - Fri 8:30 a.m. - 9:20 a.m.

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

Certified Instructor: Leslie Stain (sign up at PAC)

all cash payments to be made at PAC

GOLF, TENNIS & SWIM CAMP (AGES 6+)

Session 2: (July 11 - July 14)

Session 3: (August 1 - August 4)

9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (Lunch Included)

Cost: \$170/members & \$185/guests

Register at Tennis Shop - 817-579- 9412

First day check-in is at the Tennis shop at 8:30 a.m.

Bring swimsuit, towel, hat, sunscreen, water and pool shoes.

Racquets & Clubs provided if needed.

Junior Golf Camps (Ages 5 - 16)

July 19, 20, & 21

9 a.m. - 10 a.m.

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

Sign up at the Pro Shop: 817-573-2645

"Swing-n-Swim" Camps (Ages 6+)

Session 4: (July 18 - July 21)

Session 5: (July 25 - July 28)

9 a.m. - noon

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

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.

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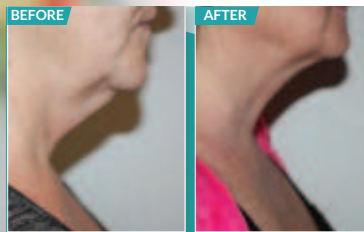
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WHITE-TAIL FAWNS

By Mary Lou Wood | Photos by Karen Gomez

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- ◆ Does drop their fawns approximately 200 days after conception. Fawns average 6-8 lbs. at birth.
 - ◆ Does bred as fawns (last year's) typically have a single fawn. Does bred at 1.5 years old and older have twins and occasionally triplets.
 - ◆ Newborn fawns typically can stand and nurse within 30 minutes. Fawns are capable of walking within hours. Does generally move their fawns away from birthing site within three hours. Does with twins typically hide them in thick cover in separate locations.
 - ◆ Does usually remain within 100 yards of their fawns. Fawns spend 90% of their time bedded for the first weeks of their life. Newborn fawns typically nurse two to three times daily; increasing to six to eight times. Nursing times average 20 to 30 minutes.
 - ◆ A three-week-old fawn can outrun most danger. Fawns are usually reunited and bed close to each other by three to four weeks of age. Fawns begin eating vegetation at two to three weeks of age. The average number of spots on a fawn is 300.
 - ◆ At birth, white tail fawns have spotted reddish silky coats with several hundred spots. The spots enable the fawn to camouflage itself. The spots are lost by the end of October, or within three to four months after birth. The fawn is weaned by the time it loses its spots. By November the average fawn will weigh 75 to 80 lbs.
 - ◆ When a fawn is born, it is odorless so that predators are not attracted to the location. When a fawn detects danger, it will remain perfectly still. Fawns normally don't make noises except for occasional bleating when in distress. The doe will come running to the fawn's rescue.
 - ◆ Fawns are born with blue eyes that will turn brown approximately eight to 10 weeks. Sometimes multiple does and fawns will group together. The deer habitat where the fawn is born normally becomes its adult habitat.
 - ◆ Deer can live in the wild up to 20 years but few live past 10 years. Many are killed by predators, hunters, and sickness. In captivity deer can reach 30 years of age.
- Fawns are here. Watch for deer when driving. Be careful.

Article sourced from <https://www.thewhite-taildeer.com/North-American-Whitetail.html>.



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Green Thumb Garden Club will continue to grow with more support from our Pecan residents.

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ACC REPORT

A “perfect storm” of many unexpected new home permit applications occurred during May 2023 that resulted in the ACC approving (13) New Residence Construction Permits, (18) Miscellaneous Construction Permits, and no Construction Revisions or Permit Extensions. While this coincidental combination of multiple new home permit applications doesn’t necessarily indicate a trend, it does seem to support a moderate increase in market optimism since most were “spec” homes (a house built at builder’s expense in hope to quickly sell it for a profit when finished).

The ACC construction permit list currently contains (31) active permits for new homes under construction and (47) active miscellaneous permits for various other improvements.

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

Address	Sq/Ft Living Area	Owner	Builder
8409 W. Landings Rd	3764	Carlton Ash	Tyler Wright
601 Eastpark Ln	1310	JA Properties	JA Properties
605 Eastpark Ln	1480	JA Properties	JA Properties
609 Eastpark Ln	1310	JA Properties	JA Properties
308 Westpark Ln	1480	JA Properties	JA Properties
304 Westpark Ln	1582	JA Properties	JA Properties
300 Westpark Ln	1310	JA Properties	JA Properties
9003 Magnolia Vale	2312	Clay Cook	Rockin-H Const.
9201 Hanging Moss	2148	Clay Cook	Rockin-H Const.
2509 Birchwood	2555	Jacob Freeman	Jacob Freeman
2133 Middlewood Cr	2577	Scott Cline	John Moore
5000 Piper Dr.	2068	Lester Farris	John Moore
2717 Village Rd.	3194	Michael Murphy	Michael Murphy

COMPLIANCE CORNER

During May 2023, the Compliance Office received 54 calls and 21 emails reporting possible compliance issues, 22 calls and seven emails regarding vacant property maintenance, plus 624 calls and 79 emails requesting ACC, plat/lot, rules, C&R or construction information.

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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THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS A WHAT?

By Kim Skoog

Dr. Seuss said, “Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better, It’s Not.” We have a wonderful community and wonderful members at the fire department that care a whole awful lot. Bob Moreau is one of those members. He’s one of our unique members and joined our department last year. He’s not a fireman. But he is an integral part of our fire department family. He is Air 80.

What is Air 80, you ask?

It’s a Bell Jet Ranger Helicopter. Pecan Plantation VFD is Station 8 in Hood County. All our vehicle numbers will start with an 8. We have Tanker 84, Rescue 81, Brush 84 (among others) and we have Air 80. This is a very useful asset to our community, our county and surrounding counties.

Bob has lived in Pecan for about six years. He has been flying aircraft since he was 17 years old and has lived an incredible life and tells amazing stories! Bob was an airline pilot and a test pilot. He’s been all over the world, testing aircraft. He has a list of licenses and teaches many different classes on aircraft and aircraft accident safety.

Bob is currently certified to teach an Aircraft Accident Course that qualifies for EMS/EMT CE credits. He’s working on the certification for Law enforcement CEs with this class.

So, what makes Air 80 a huge asset? Bob can assist in search and rescue from the air both on land and over the water. He’s able to search for missing persons from the air, he can search for missing aircraft, and can look along the shallow waterline for anything under the water. He is also very valuable in large grass fires by searching for livestock that are trying to escape the fire. He can also assist on large structure fires from the air. He’s our eyes in the sky. If we have any sort of weather event, like a tornado, he’s able to do post storm damage assessment. If there’s a home that’s been in the path of a tornado, but no one has called 911, he can let authorities know where the home is located. He can be in the air in 30 minutes, which can help the boots on the ground do their job better.

Oh, and Bob is restoring a Tiger Moth airplane. I had no idea that the wings were made of a specific cloth. He explained the tedious process of restoring the wings and priming the fuselage. Plus, all the history of the Tiger Moth! I feel so blessed to gain more knowledge from Bob about history, aircraft and aircraft safety. He would like the community to know that if they would like to come see the helicopter, please let him know! He’d be happy to show you.

Last year I had the privilege of taking a ride in his helicopter. He wanted the boots on the ground to see what he could do and see from the helicopter. It’s been an honor and a privilege to be invited into his hanger with all his projects and his years of service hanging on the hanger walls. Did I mention he’s also a very talented artist and his artwork is in a few museums?

If you have a desire to volunteer in our community, please come over and chat with us.



Air 80, a Bell Jet Ranger,



Bob Moreau next to Tiger Moth,



Bob Moreau inside Air 80

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- ★ PLAY THAT FUNKY MUSIC
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 - ★ CAR WASH
- AND MANY, MANY MORE!

9 pm
July 29
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This community-wide concert is part of the Men's Member/Guest Tournament. All members and their guests are invited!




2023

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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

July 29 – Le Freak Concert

August 15 – Pizza 'n Pasta Buffet & Bingo

Sept. 4 – Labor Day Street Dance

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

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Nov. 14 – Southern Night Buffet & Bingo

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D - July 18 - 21
E - July 25 - 28



Summer camps are in full swing (Note: No camps the week following July 4th) Be sure to catch one of our summer sessions!



It's once again time for "Tennis on the Lawn at Pecan!" Look for our grass court at the golf driving range, and PPTA's Wimbledon playday on July 14. Cheerio!



Congratulation to our USTA teams for completing a successful spring season (and to Glenda Allen's for making it to sectionals and capturing 2nd place!)

PPTA "Wimbledon Whites"

Friday, July 14

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ART MATTERS

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Just bring a painting designated for the trash and let our other artists see if we can make something new out of it. This will be an exciting event. Come ready to be creative and bring your paintings!

It is not too early to start planning and marking your calendars for our most popular event: The annual Gallery of Homes. We all look forward to this event! It will take place on Friday, September 29 from 4 to 8 p.m. Details to follow!

The QR code provided gives you access to the PPAG newsletter and schedule of events. The most updated information and events are located here. Please scan the code and join us!



ARTIST OF THE MONTH: JAMES STEWART with Vice President Pam Carriker. See his works at the Club and at the Fine Arts Show!



Pam McLean and Artist Kathy Yoders.



It is here! The Pecan Plantation Art Guild presents the Fine Arts show at the Club. It will be held on July 14 and 15. All are welcome...Come and enjoy!



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ARTISTS

Susan White - I enjoy the creative process. I work in Oils and watercolors. To create art that reflects my surroundings.



Betsy Ferguson - I am an acrylic artist. I enjoy vivid color abstract subjects and exploring new techniques..



Wayne Delyea



Barbara Brown - I have been painting for many years spring birds, flowers and Texas landscapes that are around me.



Pam McLean - I am inspired by gemstones and textured precious metals. My focus is on unique designs and quality craftsmanship.



Linda Christianson - I am an Artist, Teacher, and Jewelry Designer.



Connie Gilmore - I started oil painting after moving to Texas. Previously I managed a leaded stained glass studio.



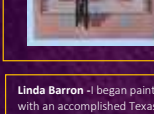
Margo Gary - I love needlework, found organic materials and geometric designs. And adding a nod to Native American Design.



Robert Hollis - I often mix my own pigments from organic minerals and precious stones to create just the right colors.



Linda Parks - I use Acrylics on Hand Rusted Steel for a unique look and texture.



Lana Robinson - I use Oils, acrylics to recreate the tranquility and ethereal beauty of the Texas Hill Country.

Pam Carriker - I am a Mixed Media Artist, Instructor & Author of several books, 'Art at the Speed of Life', I have also developed art product lines for several companies.



Linda Barron - I began painting with an accomplished Texas artist (Vie Dunn Harr) about three years ago. I enjoy landscapes and especially lighthouses.



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By Zac Wilson





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his year my son graduated from high school and registered for college. My wife and I are preparing to become empty nesters. While pondering the quick passage of time, I enjoyed all the memories of our family adventures together. The trips to the beach, Walt Disney World, and cruises to the Caribbean and Alaska. As a travel agent I am reminded of a blog I wrote years ago about our travel lifeline.

It's important to recognize your Travel Lifeline and take advantage of each stage. Too often I meet a retiring couple who never traveled and waited until retirement to start experiencing their bucket-list trips. But that's only one step on your travel lifeline.

It begins when you're a kid. As a child, you travel with your family. These experiences become a part of your story and build your relationships with your family members and the world around you. It's important for young people to experience other cultures, destinations, foods, art, history, etc.

The next step on your travel lifeline is your honeymoon and then your anniversaries. Travel is a wonderful way to celebrate these milestones. Many destinations specialize in romance travel. These are valuable experiences to bond with your spouse. Don't wait. A recent client of mine contacted me to book an Alaskan Cruise. She and her husband had always wanted to go together. He recently passed away and she was going to honor his memory. Travel together now with no regrets!

Travel with your kids. They grow up too quickly. Start as early as you can. My son had his first haircut at the barbershop in Disney's Magic Kingdom. He may not remember it, but it's part of his story that he brags about. And the pictures are great! Most people start traveling with kids at age five. Tip: Once they enter high school it will become challenging to travel with them. They will have sports, band, perfect attendance, final exams, and a part time job. So, you only have about eight to nine good travel years. Don't miss it!

Empty nesters may feel lonely traveling without your college age kids. It's time to travel with other couples. Go on a cruise with friends. Group travel can be great fun! Pickle Ball Groups travel to All Inclusive Resorts together. Photography groups travel to exotic destinations and go on photo safaris together. Wine lovers take river cruises through France together.

Multi-generation travel is popular. Grandparents traveling with their grandkids to Disney, Cruise Lines, All Inclusive Resorts, Beach Trips, and more. My kids were blessed each summer to go on a "Grand-Cruise". The grandparents would take the grandkids on a cruise out of Galveston – no parents (my wife and I) allowed.

Retirement Bucket-List experiences. There still may be that one trip you never had the time to enjoy. Some travel experiences are longer than the average one-week vacation from work. Take a longer trip to Europe. Take a 160-day cruise around the world!

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WOMAN'S CLUB PRESENTS SCHOLARSHIPS

by Sandy Hoelting, President

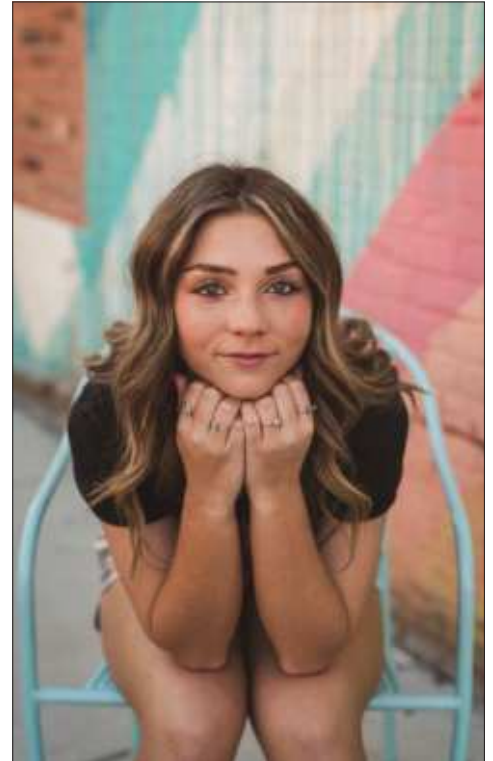
Pecan Plantation Woman's Club recently presented two \$2,500 scholarships to two deserving young women from Hood County. The Woman's Club presents scholarships to young women that are continuing their education by attending a trade school, vocational school, technical college, or a two-year college. This year we presented two \$2,500 scholarships to two exceptional young ladies graduating from Lipan High School and Tolar High School.

Neali Overton from Lipan High School will be attending Weatherford College to study cosmetology and business. After she completes her seven-month cosmetology course, she will begin an associate degree in business which will take two years. Neali was an outstanding student at Lipan High School and participated in various sports, 4-H, FFA, band, and student council. She has graduated from high school one year early and will begin her cosmetology course immediately.

Neali wants to own her own cosmetology business, therefore she feels it will be necessary to also acquire an associate business degree so she will be well equipped to own her own business in the future.

Our second \$2,500 scholarship was presented to Karley Richardson from Tolar High School. Karley will attend Texas State Technical College in Waco, where she will be studying to acquire an applied science in culinary arts degree. Once she completes this course, she will work to obtain a business degree so it will benefit her when she owns her own restaurant and bakery. She's even been offered to work this summer under the supervision of our own Chef Jordan Ray! Jordan was very excited to meet Karley and offered her this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity!!

Pecan Plantation Woman's Club – working together to enrich lives of other people! Come join us as we celebrate our 45th anniversary this year! During the summer months, we will meet as Summer Chit Chat, a very casual time to get together to meet new and old friends and share lunch. Please join us on July 20 at 10:00 a.m. in the Pecan Plantation Clubhouse ballroom!! If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at sandyh9911@mail.com or call 501-922-7464. We would love to have you join us!!



Neali Overton



Karley Richardson

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BREAKFAST CLUB

Sandi Walker captivated a crowded Breakfast Club during our first meeting in May. Sandi is the President and Founder of Second Chance Farm. Sandi was accompanied by her friend Cheddar who stole the show and many hearts. Sandi described the Farm's goal of saving and rehabilitating abused animals. Her stories brought many in the audience to tears. The club members provided a substantial donation to the Farm to further its work. Please visit <https://www.secondchancefarmgranbury.org> where you may donate to this worthy cause.

Also in May, Breakfast Club presented the second in a series of Save-A-Life programs. Our very own Rene' Garrett and Sandra Winfield kicked off an intensive training session for our members. We learned both adult and infant CPR, how to use an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) and the Heimlich maneuver. This training compliments the Narcan training we recently received from Callie Crow. Narcan is a medication used to reverse the deadly effects of opioids like Fentanyl which killed over 100,000 Americans last year.

For those who missed Callie Crow's outstanding presentation, we are fortunate to

have arranged another visit from Callie on Aug 9. Callie is credited with saving over 50 lives with her training. A limited supply of Narcan will be available for those who attend. Aug 9 is also Bring-A-Friend Day at Breakfast Club. Help the club grow while spreading life-saving training into Pecan – bring a friend on Aug 9. Don't have a friend to bring? Come to Breakfast Club and make one.

June 28 also brought us Ben Anthony from the developer's family and Steve Guy representing Patten Properties. Lots of questions answered about the growth happening in Pecan.

Not since before that nasty pandemic has Breakfast Club enjoyed our long-held tradition of ordering breakfast from the menu. Finally, we are moving back to a limited menu service. Many thanks to Chef Jordan Ray for making this happen. The menu items include Omelet Your Way, Biscuits and Gravy, and the Three Putt. Simply place your order when you call the clubhouse to make reservations for Breakfast Club. Call by noon on the Tuesday before our Wednesday meeting. Expect other food options in the future.



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We had two presentations in June focused on life in Pecan. June 14 brought our own County Commissioner Nannette Samuelson (left). Commissioner Samuelson updated us on events in Hood County and answered member questions.



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EQUESTRIAN UPDATE

By Tammy Dressman

This month we'd like to introduce our newest boarders to the Pecan Plantation Stables. First we have Brenda Tealer and her horse Coco. Coco is a 9-year-old Spanish Barb Quarter Horse. Brenda and Coco have done lots of things together, including trail riding, sorting, barrels, showing, parades, and recently learning mounted shooting. Brenda also has quite a creative talent and has an on-line business called "Cadillac Custom Conchos and Tack". Check out her Facebook page when you get a chance – lots of hats, tack, bags, etc. We're so excited to have Brenda and Coco at the stables and look forward to many rides together.

We also welcome Kim Burton and her daughter Jessica Hall to the Pecan Stables. Kim is bringing their horse, Honey to the stables. Honey is a 16-year-old Palomino Quarter Horse mare. They mostly enjoy spending time with Honey doing natural horsemanship, clicker training and trail riding. We are so excited to have Kim, Jessica and Honey at the Stables and look forward to spending time with them. We have a great barn family that they are now a part of and we couldn't be happier to have them!

Be sure to click on the conveniently included QR code which is a quick way for anyone interested in navigating to the Pecan Plantation Stables Facebook page. We have lots of posts from boarders and others with horsey pics and stuff that won't be included in the Columns magazine.



Be sure to check the PPOA official website – ppoaweb.com where you'll find additional information on committees, meeting times, etc. We continue to remain at full capacity at the stables. If you're interested in getting on the wait list, call the PPOA Business Office at 817-573-2641, ext. 337. For all other stables related questions and information call me, Tammy Dressman, at 817-614-9744.

We want to remind everyone that the July 4th Pecan Parade is always a fun event enjoyed by so many residents. We always have some die-hard riders willing to brave the heat, get their horses all dolled up, haul over to Nutcracker, and ride in the parade. Be sure to mark your calendars for this hometown or rather home community parade – always such a hit and such a fun event just prior to the street dance! Hope to see everyone there!



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EMS

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

Good day, everyone! I hope everyone took advantage of our Auxiliary's recent fund raiser and golf tournament! These dedicated men and women work tirelessly to support the volunteer fire and EMS mission, giving of their time, energy, focus, and creativity. It is from their generous contributions we can afford training opportunities, departmental improvements, and uniforms. If you feel so inclined, consider donating to the Pecan VFD/EMS Auxiliary, or come by and join! They meet at the Charlie Lee EMS building on the first Monday of every month at 7 p.m.

With the summer heat ramping up, water consumption is paramount. Drink water, and plenty of it! One cup equals eight ounces and we need between ten and 13 cups per day. If you don't drink that much, try it for a week and see how you feel. I keep a Nalgene bottle with me and refill it throughout the day. A standard Nalgene is 32 oz which equals four cups. Act accordingly.

Remember we are located at 9518 Monticello and are here for you. If you need help with medications, would like your blood pressure checked, or are looking for more information regarding healthcare concerns, please drop by. Our public entrance is located at the corner of our building.

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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AUXILIARY NEWS

By Lana Robinson

What an incredible turnout for our PPVFD/EMS & Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast at the McComas hangar at Planeview Park in Pecan on May 27! Thanks so much to all who participated including our fantastic and tireless group of Auxiliary and Lion's Club volunteers who did so much to make this fundraiser possible and contributed to its success, and the wonderful Pecan community who came to eat, buy raffle tickets and enjoy this beautiful day with us.

First, we want to thank the EAA and McComas Family for providing the hangar and use of their revolving pancake griddle for the event. Special thanks also to the Glenn Jennings and the Granbury Lion's Club for preparing and providing the pancakes, sausage, juice and all the fixings and Curt Zelder and the EightTwenty (Solar) team for providing and serving coffee from Deja Brew. Finally, a big shout out to JetBlacq — Pecan duo, Frank and Rebecca Faiola—for entertaining our attendees with a wonderful mix of musical styles that included Patriotic tributes, extraordinary vocals and Frank on his saxophone.

We served more than 200 people pancakes and grossed close to \$2,000, not counting the additional monies raised from the sale of raffle tickets associated with our June 24 golf tournament! Blessings to all!

The Fall Bazaar, hosted by the PPVFD/EMS Auxiliary, will be held at the Pecan Activity Center (PAC) and grounds,

located at 9145 Plantation Dr. Gates will be open September 29 for the public to attend. Perfect opportunity for an outing with friends or a private shopping spree!

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Don't forget, Cowtown Gold & Silver will be on hand in the PAC to purchase scrap gold, silver and other precious metals throughout the day. At the end of the event, Cowtown will write the PPVD/EMS a check for 10% of the amount of gold and silver purchased.

For more information, contact Vicki Paxton, 615-394-5058 (vicki@epichealthoils.com) or Donna Bullis, 817-454-0422 (donnabullis@gmail.com).

The next monthly meeting of the Auxiliary is set for September 5 at 7 p.m. at the Charlie Lee Memorial EMS building, 9815 Monticello Dr. The meeting will be preceded by a light meal and social beginning at 6 p.m. All adult Pecan residents are invited to attend as the organization tends to business and seeks fresh ideas and participation from the community in order to fulfill its fundraising mission for the Pecan VFD/EMS.

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A *July* to Remember

JULY 2, 1881
JULY 2, 1962
JULY 5, 1937

President Garfield was shot, and he died of his wounds 80 days later.
Sam Walton opened his first Walmart store in Rogers, Arkansas.
Baseball great Joe DiMaggio hit his first grand slam.

JULY 7, 1928

The Chillicothe Baking Company (Missouri) created and marketed sliced bread -- the best thing ever!

JULY 7, 1981

Sandra Day O'Connor was the first woman nominee to the U.S. Supreme Court.

JULY 10, 1985

After switching to "New Coke" unsuccessfully, Coca-Cola brought back its original formula as "Coke Classic." An Act of Congress created the U.S. Marine Corps.

JULY 11, 1798

JULY 12, 1933

Congress passed the first minimum wage law, which is set at 33 cents per hour.

JULY 12, 1960

Etch-a-Sketch went on sale.

JULY 20, 1976

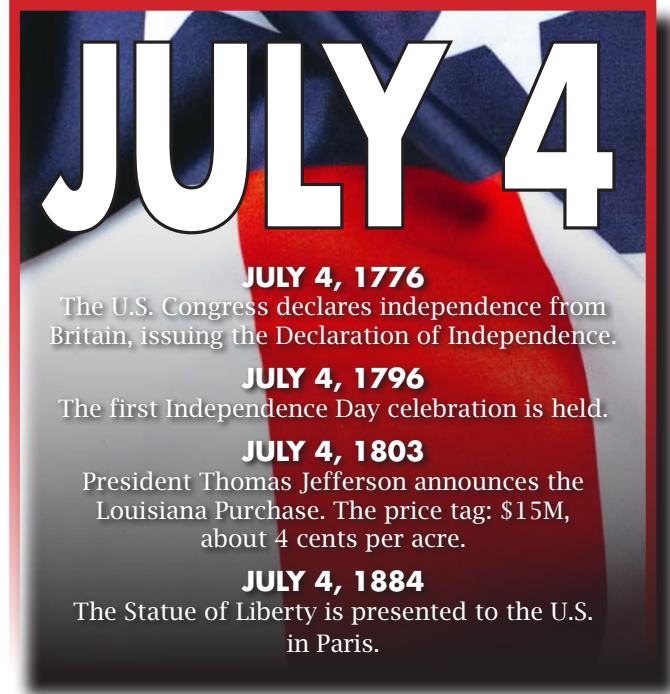
Hank Aaron hit his 755th and last home run.

JULY 20, 1969

Astronaut Neil Armstrong becomes the first person to walk on the moon. Buzz Aldrin takes the first photograph on the moon.

JULY 27, 1940

Bugs Bunny debuts in Warner Brothers' animated cartoon "A Wild Hare".



JULY 4

JULY 4, 1776
The U.S. Congress declares independence from Britain, issuing the Declaration of Independence.

JULY 4, 1796
The first Independence Day celebration is held.

JULY 4, 1803
President Thomas Jefferson announces the Louisiana Purchase. The price tag: \$15M, about 4 cents per acre.

JULY 4, 1884
The Statue of Liberty is presented to the U.S. in Paris.



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COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

As spring moves into summer at Pecan Plantation, we receive so much enjoyment from everything around us. The nature as seen in the wildflowers, new fawns, and the birds, is amazing and our local photographers provide pictures to get us through the heat of summer. The people of Pecan are amazing as well. Our local coffee shop is packed with our neighbors enjoying each other's company. The amenities at the Village, Marina, PAC, and Clubhouse can keep you busy all summer. The Entertainment Committee does an excellent job of keeping us entertained and Chef Jordan's staff keeps us well fed. Thank you to all the people that keep Pecan Plantation the wonderful place it is, to include employed staff and volunteers. Our General Manager, Rick Lantgen, listens and it may not be immediate, but change is taking place to make Pecan an even better place to live.

The Communications Committee is doing its part to improve communication at Pecan Plantation. Most of the bugs have been worked out of the website and we should be rolling out the mobile app very soon. Once that is done, we will start quarterly offerings to assist PPOA members with website logins, working with the mobile app, email updates, security apps as well as other technical aspects to enhance PPOA membership. These will be offered in a friendly atmosphere where everyone is treated with respect.

We hope you appreciate the new format for disseminating information via email. With all information going out as

three unique emails each week, it makes it easier to find the event you are looking for. Many thanks to Jay Arrington, communications director for developing and following through on this new format. If you are not getting these emails, feel free to call or email Jay for assistance.

We should have all the kinks worked out the of PPOA Approved Club Status process for our next article. Stay tuned.



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AIRPARK NEWS

On May 20, your local EAA chapter 983 sponsored a Flying Start program. This program was designed for people who were interested in learning to fly but never knew how to get started. The program focused mainly on PPOA members but we had participants from as far away as Dallas attend. The class was free, and opened to 24 members who pre-registered. Ages ranged from 19 to senior citizens. There were seven no-shows but the materials didn't go to waste as at least that many showed up at the last minute and were accommodated.

The program started off with a power point presentation with local pilot adding color about why they learned to fly and the different forms of aviation.

An inspirational video got everyone in the mood to take a flight and all participants were given a chance to fly with one of our Pecan pilots. Each pilot gave the student the chance to handle the controls with an explanation of how to maneuver the airplane. There was show 'n tell of a helicopter and a gyroplane to those who were waiting for their chance to fly.

The general consensus was the program was a complete success, so much so that we plan to have another. Keep an eye out on the various social media outlets, Facebook, NextDoor and the Columns for our next event. This will most likely be in the late fall.



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PICKLEBALL NEWS

Please check with the PAC to determine if space is still available for the Pickleball/Swim camp for children ages 8-12. The camp will be July 10-14 from 1 to 3 p.m. every weekday except Wednesday. There will be pickleball instruction for an hour and supervised swimming at the PAC pool for the other hour. Limited to 12 kids. Cost is \$80 for PPPA members and \$100 for PPOA members.

Open play indoors at the PAC is from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Monday/Tuesday/Thursday and Friday. Open play has been added on Wednesday morning from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.! Due to the Holiday the next beginner's clinic will be Monday July 10 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

A reminder to those playing on the outdoor courts, a reservation is required! Please contact the PAC for information about the online registration system.

PPPA hosted a tournament for members on Saturday May 20. There were 20 teams that competed in three different divisions. Congratulations to the following winners in the men's division: First Place: David Burch & Barry Howze and Second Place: Ken Glass and Clinton Martin. In the Ladies division: First Place: Delores Ballard & Linda West and Second Place: Robin Dewey & Steph Phalen. In the Recreational Division: Celia Anderson & Jeanie Tirch. Thank you to all the members that participated in a fantastic tournament.



BELOW: On Saturday May 20, twenty teams gathered to compete in the PPPA tournament.

RIGHT: Winners in the Men's Division: First place David Burch and Barry Howze & Second place Clinton Martin and Ken Glass.

TOP RIGHT: Winners in the Women's Division: Second place Steph Phalen and Robin Dewey & First place Linda West and Delores Ballard.



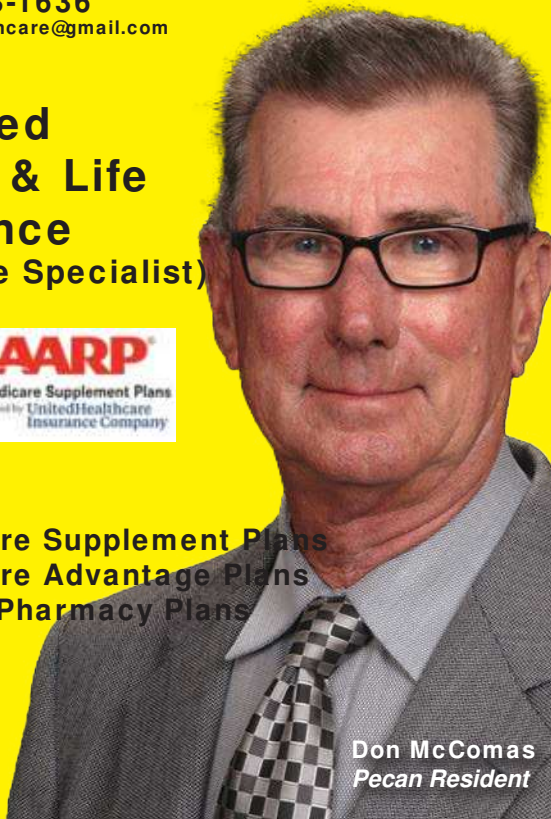
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PILATES AT PECAN PLANTATION PAC



If you are looking for a fun way to gain strength and flexibility and keep it for life then Pecan Pilates might be for you. Pilates is a fitness method started by Joseph Pilates during World War I. It can be done on reformer machines but can also easily be done on a yoga mat. The program consists of repetitive controlled movements that involve the whole body, focusing mostly on the core (abdominals, pelvis, lower back and hips). It is a method for all types of bodies, all ages and levels of conditioning. It is especially beneficial for those 50 and up, as balance and stability is lessened in the aging process.

Pecan Pilates began over 15 years ago when a few ladies (sorry men!) in the neighborhood got together, found an instructor and so it began!

Eleven years ago, Shawn Farris began teaching the class. They met in a few locations: the teen room, the EMS Facility and now their permanent home is the PAC.

Shawn is an experienced instructor and began teaching fitness at age 19. She likes to call her method Pop Pilates

Plus as she incorporates uplifting pop music as well as inspirational Christian songs. The movements are classic Pilates plus light weights for upper body strengthening. In addition, there is a good amount of stretching.

The best part of this class, other than gaining a strong Pilates body, are the friendships that are formed as the laughter and encouragement flow from one to another to keep going and stay strong. It is truly a workout for the body, mind and spirit.

Pecan Pilates student, Pam Kuhlman, designed and made shirts for the class with several clever sayings describing the benefits of Pilates. The class also enjoys get togethers such as luncheons and an annual Christmas gathering.

If this sounds like something you'd like to check out, join this ladies group on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday at 8 a.m. Bring a mat, light weights, water and \$3. Be prepared to be inspired and challenged.





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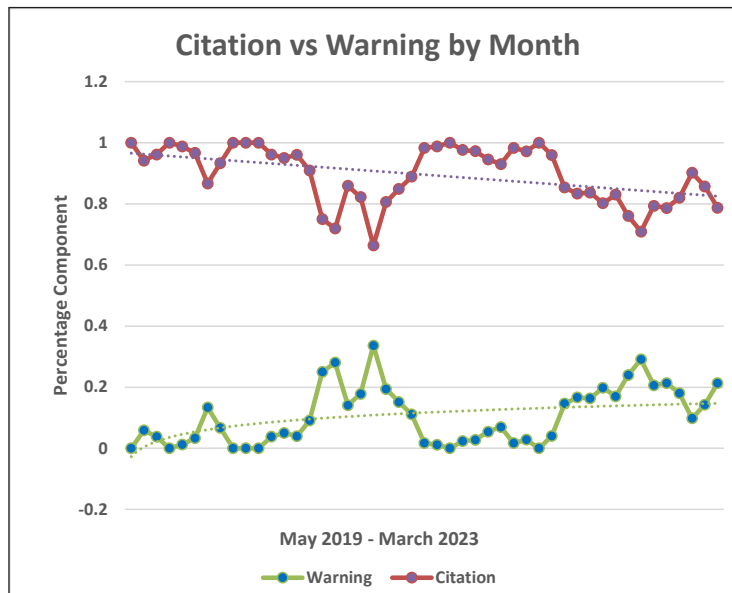
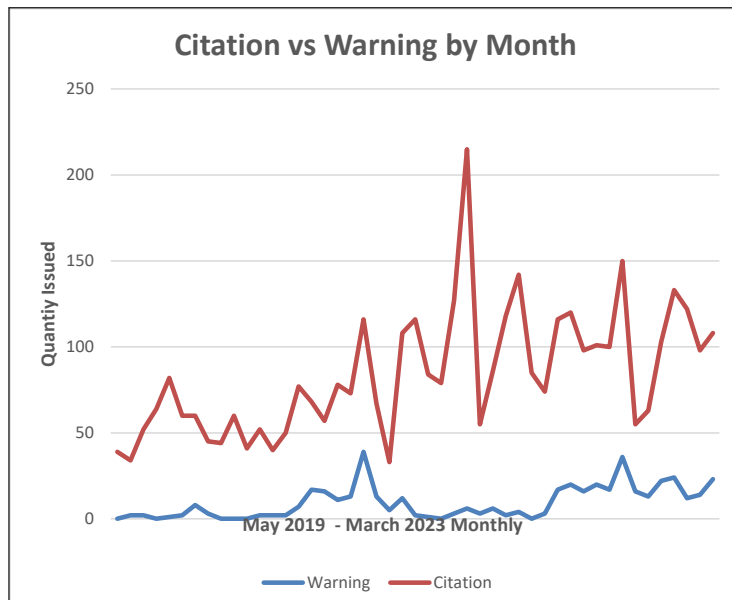
05/11 A Security Officer was driving a security patrol unit on Ravenswood when a driver approaching from the opposite direction crossed the center line of traffic and struck the driver's side mirror of the security officer's patrol unit, caused damage, and continued driving. The Security Officer stopped the driver and the driver appeared impaired. The Hood County Sheriff's Office was contacted and the responding Deputy arrested the driver for suspicion of DWI (Driving While Intoxicated). There were no injuries reported and the damage to the PPOA vehicle was submitted to the driver's insurance.

05/18 Security responded to a report of a suspicious person walking along Wedgefield. A security officer located the individual and found the person with no shoes and injuries. The security officer spoke with the person and found that there may have been a domestic assault on the property. The Hood County Dispatch was contacted by the security officer and a Deputy, including Pecan EMS, was dispatched. The Deputy gathered information concerning the alleged assault while Pecan EMS treated the individual for sustained injuries. The individual left the scene, refusing further assistance, and all units cleared the call.

05/25 A Security Officer was dispatched to a residence concerning numerous snakes inside the home. As the security officer entered the home, the officer determined there were no alleged snakes, but other issues involved. The security officer contacted Pecan EMS who arrived and transported the individual for care.

05/27 Security received multiple complaints of juveniles moving traffic barricades onto Plantation Road creating a hazard and an obstruction. Security officers located the responsible juveniles and contacted the parents. The Hood County Sheriff's Department was contacted and responding Deputies spoke with the juveniles and parents. The traffic barricades were removed from the road and the parents escorted the teenagers home.

05/30 Security Officers observed a grey Ford Mustang traveling on Village and turning North on Plantation Road where the driver accelerated to a high rate of speed weaving through traffic causing other drivers to panic. The speed of the Mustang was estimated at over 70 mph. The vehicle was identified through surveillance and the member will receive a Flagrant Violation for reckless driving.



Notes:

- The quantity of monthly warning tickets has trended up since Q3 2019
- Qty of monthly total tickets peaked in August 2021.
- Overall trend: quantity of citations increased so has quantity of warnings.
- Percentage of warning tickets has trended up as a percentage of all tickets issued.
- Percentage of citations tickets has trended down as a percentage of all tickets issued.
- Percent warnings issued has averaged approximately 20% of all tickets since Q1 2022.

Areas of Citations Issued

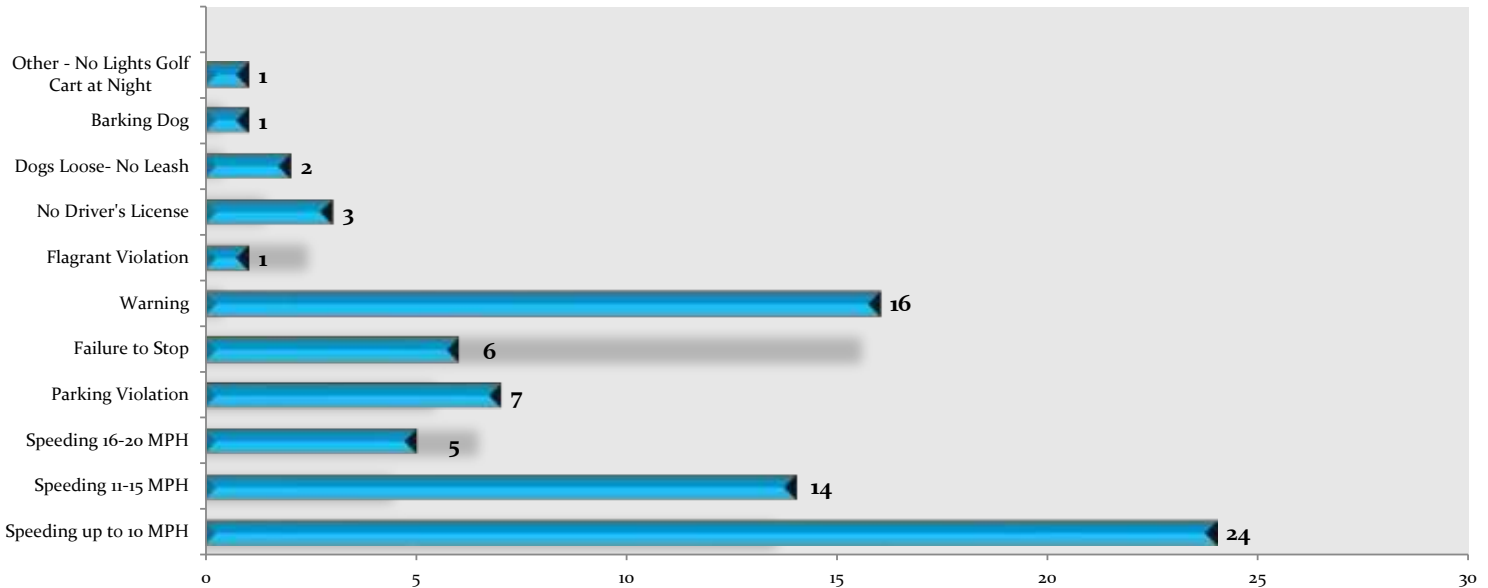
Cherokee - 3	Prospect Hill - 2
Monticello 7	Ravenswood 1
Hanging Moss - 1	Sandy Beach - 1
Magnolia Vale 1	Weatherby 3
Nutcracker - 1	West Wedgefield - 11
Orchard 3	Wedgefield 2
Pinehurst - 3	Westover - 1
Plantation 23	Village 1

Breakdown by Violator Type

Member/ Guest - 50
Contractor/ Vendor 14

Asset Type	Amount
Speeding up to 10 MP11	21
Speeding 11-15 MPH	14
Speeding 16-20 MP11	5
Parking Violation	7
Failure to Stop	6
Warning	16
Flagrant Violation	1
No Driver's License	3
Dogs Loose- No Leash	2
Barking Dog	1
Other - No Lights Golf Cart at Night	1

Citations May 2023
Total: 64 Citations
16 Warning Citations



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CONSOLIDATED OPERATING STATEMENT

	Actual YTD	Budget	Variance
Operating Revenues	\$ 4,883,973	\$ 4,952,907	\$ (68,934)
Cost of Goods Sold	<u>\$ (665,735)</u>	<u>\$ (687,625)</u>	<u>\$ 21,890</u>
Gross Operating Profit	\$ 4,218,238	\$ 4,265,282	\$ (47,044)
Labor, Taxes & Benefits	\$ (2,625,869)	\$ (2,793,168)	\$ 167,299
Other Operating Expenses	\$ (1,441,576)	\$ (1,487,626)	\$ 46,050
Net Operating Income/(Loss) Before Depreciation	<u><u>\$ 150,793</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (15,512)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 166,305</u></u>

RESERVE & REPLACEMENT FUND

	Actual YTD	Year End Forecast
Beginning Balance	\$ 3,137,880	\$ 3,137,880
Fund Deposits	\$ 431,773	\$ 1,063,557
Fund Expenditures	<u>\$ (523,053)</u>	<u>\$ (2,517,354)</u>
Ending Balance	<u><u>\$ 3,046,600</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,684,083</u></u>

NEW CAPITAL FUND

	Actual YTD	Year End Forecast
Beginning Balance	\$ 207,162	\$ 207,162
Fund Deposits	\$ 192,672	\$ 393,372
Fund Expenditures	<u>\$ (34,556)</u>	<u>\$ (85,034)</u>
Ending Balance	<u><u>\$ 365,278</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 515,500</u></u>

ROAD & DRAINAGE FUND

	Actual YTD	Year End Forecast
Beginning Balance	\$ 1,347,968	\$ 1,347,968
Fund Deposits	\$ 862,406	\$ 1,733,818
Fund Expenditures	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (2,295,583)</u>
Ending Balance	<u><u>\$ 2,210,374</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 786,203</u></u>

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LYNDOL & BRENDA ASKEW, Westover Drive, have returned to Pecan from Tahoka, Texas. They have five children, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Lyndol is a retired corporate pilot and Brenda is retired from First Baptist Church in Lubbock. He enjoys firearms, weight training, walking and flying. Brenda enjoys people, gardening, flying, reading and their dogs. They shared they are very happy to be a part of this community!

MARK & CATHY BARNES, Ravenswood, moved to Pecan from Temple, Texas. They have two children and three grandchildren. Mark retired from Hewlett-Packard and Cathy from Temple Housing Authority. Mark enjoys fishing, wildlife and travel. Cathy enjoys spending time with their grandchildren, playing board games and traveling.

GREGORY & SHERRY BEEBE, Kenilworth Court, relocated here from Lawrenceville, Georgia. They have one child and two grandchildren. They moved to Pecan to be closer to family throughout Texas and Louisiana. Greg retired as an independent contractor for architectural drafting and Auto Cad design. Sherry continues her 35-year career with Unisys Corporation. Both love movies, travel, playing cards, fishing, swimming, and animal/bird watching. Additionally, Greg enjoys architectural building and Sherry is a pet rescue volunteer.

GARY & BEVERLY BULLARD, Bonanza, relocated from Gulf Shores, Alabama. They have two children, eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. Gary is a retired custom home builder and Beverly retired from office management. They both enjoy flying, playing golf and pickleball.

GARY & DEONNA GALBRAITH, Pinehurst, moved to Pecan from Abilene, Texas. They have four children and five grandchildren. Gary is retired from banking and Deonna from insurance. Both Gary and Deonna enjoy golfing, going to Lake Brownwood, and attending their grandchildren's activities. Deonna also plays pickleball. Having spent most of their lives in Abilene, they have found Pecan to be welcoming and look forward to being involved in our wonderful community.

STEVE & AMY GOOD, Landings Road (lot), currently live in Burluson and look forward to moving to Pecan within the next two years. They have two children and one grandchild. Steve is employed by Stuart Industries and Amy is a Nurse. Steve's interests are vintage, pickleball, RC airplanes and biking. Amy enjoys golfing, pickleball, biking and walking.

PRABHAKARAN GOPALAKRISHNAN, Lot # 3648, is from Canton, Ohio. Prabhakaran retired from Aultman Hospital and enjoys golfing and pickleball. He has two children.

JOE & VIRGINIA HALE, Westover Drive, moved here from North Richland Hills, Texas. They have one child and one grandchild. Joe is retired from C&P Pump Services and Virginia from Alcon. They both enjoy cars, fishing, hunting, travel and their dog.

CRAIG AND GINGER HEJTMANCIK, Nutcracker, lived in Northlake and San Antonio prior to moving to Pecan. They have three children and three grandchildren. Craig is retired from education (San Antonio) and enjoys traveling, cooking, hunting, fishing, golf and hiking. Ginger is employed with Cook Children's Hospital and enjoys quilting, reading, their grandbabies and traveling.

J. PATRICK JONES & SUSANNE FISHER, Lot 3577, will be relocating to Pecan from Fredericksburg, Texas. They have three children and three grandchildren. Patrick retired after 50 years in real estate and mortgage banking. Susie retired with extensive experience in accounting, new home construction, and taxes. They both enjoy lapidary, pickleball, dancing, and happy hour. Patrick and Susie are planning to build and would like any builder/contractor recommendations.

JIM & CHARISSA KELLY, Westover, moved from a farm in Combine, Texas where they raised 40 Barbado Sheep and a horse. Jim and Charissa lived in Pecan for 17 years but moved away for work. They have two children and four grandchildren. Jim is retired from National Resources Conservation Services (NRCS) and Charissa from Environmental Research Group ERG). Both are Foresters and Wildlife Management majors from SFA. Jim's interests are old cars, fishing and reading and Charissa enjoys sewing, jewelry making, crocheting, reading, and fishing while both love all things nature.

MATTHEW & JESSICA LONG, Bellechase Road, moved from Weatherford, Texas. They have seven children. Matthew is employed with Andres Construction and Jessica is a stay at home mother who homeschools their children. Matt enjoys tennis, pickleball, Republican politics, biblical theology, fitness and spending time with their family. Jessica enjoys holistic health, play dates, visiting her family in Alberta, Canada, church activities and conservative politics. They also enjoy meeting people, hosting, and being involved with Pecan activities!

LUCIANO & LATICIA MARTINEZ-LOPEZ, Prospect Hill, moved here from Duncanville, Texas. They have two children (7 & 10). Luciano is employed with Hunt Electrical Services and Laticia works for The Wooley Law Firm. Luciano enjoys spending time with family, traveling and working in their yard. Laticia also enjoys spending time with family, writing and reading.

ERIC MEYER, Lot #3258, currently lives in Arlington, Texas. Eric works for Lockheed Martin and enjoys soccer, golf, tech and aviation.

BRYAN & STACY NARADOVY, Magnolia Vale Drive, join us from Godley, Texas. They have three children. Both Bryan and Stacy are employed with Granbury ISD. Bryan likes to golf, play baseball and other sports. Stacy enjoys crafting, baking and reading.

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RODNEY & SHIRLENE NEWKIRK, Wedgefield Road, relocated to Pecan from Aledo, Texas. Rodney is employed with Chryso/Saint Gobain and Shirlene is a self-employed hair stylist. They have four children and two grandchildren. Rodney enjoys fishing, golf and carpentry and Shirlene is involved with pet rescue.

ANDREW RAMIREZ & ASHLEE THOMASON, Pinehurst, moved from Granbury, Texas. They have two sons; the oldest attends Aledo High School and is in the Marching band and their younger son is homeschooled and plays football. Andrew owns Ramco Builder Services and Ashlee works from home as an Agent with Travelers Insurance. Andrew spends his free time golfing, fishing and hunting while Ashlee loves horses, gardening and tennis.

SAM & MARY RODGERS, North Longwood Drive, relocated to Pecan from Arkansas. They have two children. Sam is retired from the US Army and enjoys creative writing and fishing. Mary loves to shop for their six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

CONNER & KATIE SATTERFIELD, Birchwood, moved from Fort Worth, Texas. Conner is employed with Envoy Airlines and Katie is with Dr. Carrie Morris. Conner likes golfing, riding motorcycles, watching movies and cooking. Katie enjoys dancing, scrapbooking, diamond art, gardening and cooking.

NAVI & JEANNETTE TALAMAS, Ravenswood, relocated from Lubbock, Texas. They have two children, six grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Navi retired from doctor office management and enjoys reading. Jeannette is retired and enjoys playing tennis.

KEVIN & DANA TURNER, Westover Drive, moved from Dallas, Texas. They have two children. Kevin and Dana are self-employed with TNT Brand Strategist LLC.

SRINI VELAYUDHAM AND VANI POONGAVANAM, West Landings Road, moved from Flower Mound, Texas. They have two children. Srini works for AWS and Vani works for Cognizant Technical Solutions. Srini enjoys tennis and both enjoy spending time outdoors camping and gardening.



PECAN PLANTATION BRIEFS

BRAZOS RIVER SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

There will not be a meeting of the club in July as many of our members, including myself, will be traveling to various parts of the country enjoying what we have been blessed with. We are continuing to work on getting a dove hunt lined up for the first of September and the fish have been biting fairly good.

Have a safe Holiday. My contact email is ccald67@gmail.com if you need any information about the club.

~ Cecil Caldwell

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

It is hard to believe that July is already here! Please put Sunday, July 2 on your calendar for the Pecan Plantation annual Fourth of July Celebration. We will have the parade, wonderful street dance, lots of food and fun activities for all to enjoy. Start planning your parade entries now. We will begin lining up at the Nutcracker parking lot around 5:30 that afternoon. We are all looking forward to celebrating our wonderful country on that day. Don't forget to wear your red, white, and blue!

Coming up in August will be an 80's party. It will be on August 5th and I am sure Chef Jordan will have a wonderful meal before we start the dancing. Go ahead and start planning your costumes now. Reservations will be required for this event. See you there.

~ Jan Boeckel

PECAN PLANTATION COMMUNITY GARDENS

Pecan Plantation Community Gardens will once again participate in providing Carnival Games for Children and Adults at the July Parade and Street Dance. Thank you to everyone who contributed to our successful Memorial



Day Monday Fundraiser at the Clubhouse. The kids enjoyed bursting balloons, tossing balls into baskets, and throwing rings over glass bottles! Many adults asked who got to drink all the Revolver beer in the empty bottles—we're not telling but you can join us soon for Happy Hour in the Garden TBA! The same games will be available in July for the next Street Dance Party.

PECAN PLANTATION TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Next playday is the annual Wimbledon mixer at the driving range on July 14. Wanna' hit some balls on a grass court? Hope we can see a large group at both July events! Keep thinking aluminum cans, play days, and street dances, PPTA clothing and staying hydrated! Update your email address with us if you are not getting our invitations/information blasts.

See you all on the courts or at the booth!

~ Kenneth Schreiber

WIDOW AND WIDOWERS CLUB

The Widow and Widowers Club slows down the pace for the carefree "hot" summer months. We will continue to meet the fourth Tuesday of July and August in the Terrace Room at the Club at 5:30 p.m. Our attendance has grown to about forty mem-



bers for each meeting. We continue to welcome new members to our club at each meeting. Pecan Widow and Widowers enjoy conversing with their new friends while enjoying the great Club House meals that Chef Jordan provides for us.

The July and August meetings will not have speakers or entertainment. We will play Bunco at our July meeting.

Game choice for August is still to be determined.

The Club is open to all Widows and Widowers living in Pecan Plantation.

To reserve a space for the meeting, e-mail Caryl Mahaffey at caryl.mahaffey@charter.net

RSVP no later than Tuesday, July 18 Noon

~ Caryl Mahaffey



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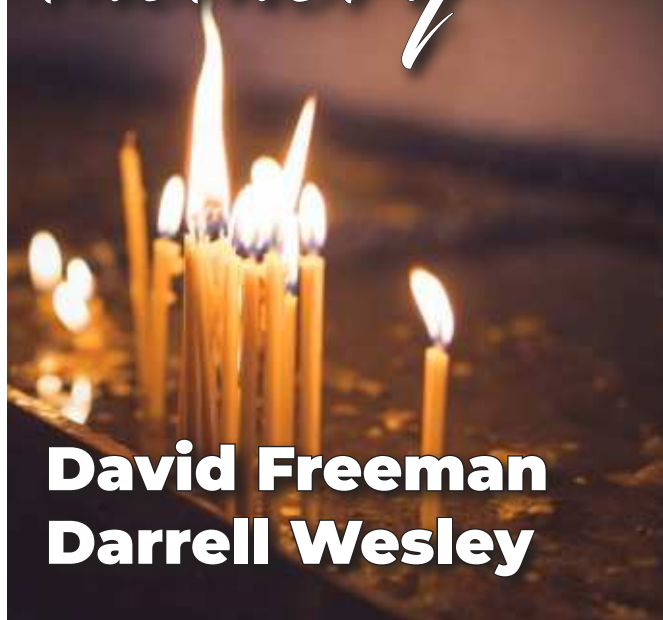
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ART GUILD

See page 26 for more info

- July 14** Fine Art Fair 5 p.m. - 9 p.m.
July 15 Fine Art Fair 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sep. 29 Gallery of Homes from 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Contact Ron Liddell, ronliddell@gmail.com.

Meeting, Clubhouse Terrace Room, 9 a.m.

- July 12** Ben Anthony of Anthony Enterprises and
Steve Guy of Patten Companies
July 26 Bond Arms
Aug. 9 Callie Crow / Bring a friend

BRIDGE

Contact Sharon Green, 817-559-2974.

- July 5** Play in Terrace Room, 10 a.m.

COMMUNITY GARDENS

Contact ppoacommunitygardens@gmail.com.

- July 2** 4th of July Fundraiser. Shifts available 4:30 to 7:15 p.m.;
7 to 9:30 p.m.
July 8 Garden Workday

GREEN THUMB GARDEN CLUB

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

- July 3** Workday at Front Circle, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Contact Linda Kunzman, lindagogo@msn.com for last Tuesday Back Circle workdays.

- July 25** Workday at Back Circle, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Aug. 7 Workday at Front Circle, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Contact Linda Kunzman, lindagogo@msn.com for last Tuesday Back Circle workdays.
Aug. 29 Workday at Back Circle, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

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WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS GROUP

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

- July 25** Meeting in the Terrace Room
Aug. 22 Meeting in the Terrace Room

PECAN PLANTATION WOMAN'S CLUB

See page 31 for more info

- July 20** Summer Fun Luncheon 10 a.m.

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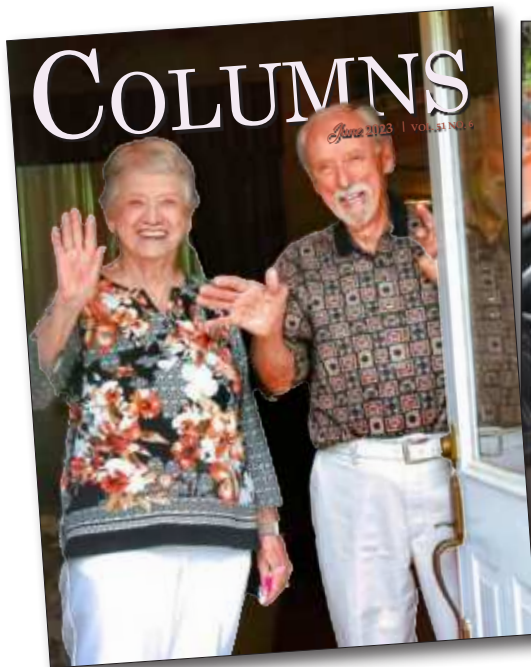
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OOPS! WE GOOFED!

In telling the story of this beautiful couple in June's Columns, we included a few errors. While we strive to be perfect in everything we do, we understand that we're going to make mistakes—and we did in this case.

We reprinted this article, with the corrections, in the June 10 edition of the Hood County News. We also provided the Caldwell's with a copy of the metal plate from the press used to print their story. We sincerely apologize for the errors.

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GENERAL MANAGER

From the desk
of Rick Lantgen

Summer is finally here, and we have an exciting lineup of activities planned for the month of July at the club. Come celebrate our nation's independence with our annual Fourth of July Parade and Street Dance on Sunday, July 2. This event will be a fantastic opportunity to come together as a community, enjoy the spirit of patriotism, and experience a day's worth of activities. So, mark your calendars and join us for an unforgettable holiday.

Additionally, we are thrilled to bring you our "upgraded" Men's Member/Guest Golf Tournament July 28-30. This tournament promises to be a fun event with a Calcutta, special meals, and side games. One lucky golfer will even drive away in our own Duff Cunningham's beloved Corvette. We've established a tournament webpage with all the details. Just go to the website. The links can be found on the Community Calendar.

As part of the Member/Guest festivities, we have arranged a special treat for all our residents.

On Saturday, July 29, we will be hosting a free community concert on the Clubhouse steps featuring the band, Le Freak. Known for playing everybody's favorite disco hits, as well as their costumes and infectious energy, Le Freak will keep the party going. Dress up in your disco-era outfits and come down with a case of Saturday Night Fever. If you're inviting guests, don't forget to register them with security. They should also arrive early so there won't be a traffic jam trying to get through the gate. Le Freak will take the stage at 9.

Make the most of your membership this July by participating in these activities, as well as all of our exciting events. We have worked hard to ensure a summer filled with fun, camaraderie, and unforgettable memories. Remember to check our website and social media platforms for detailed schedules and any additional updates.

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