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BOD Meeting:
Sept. 28, 2023, 6 p.m.

BOD Committee Workshop:
Sept. 14, 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	Sept. 19	4 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)	Oct. 3, Dec. 5	1 p.m.	PAC
Wildlife	2nd Friday	8:30 a.m.	CH Conference Room

Meetings are open. Please check www.ppoaweb.com for latest information before attending a meeting.

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.

SEPTEMBER
Saturday, September 2
Tuesday, September 19

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Darren Clark can be found on the golf course (no, that guy is Darren Clarke—with an "e"), on the stage at the Granbury Opera House, or in his cubicle manipulating pixels into many of the Hyde Media Group's publications. Darren is a designer, photographer and occasional writer.

Eden Duncan Gilbreath

Eden met Granbury 36 years ago and is grateful to have moved here in 2000. She and husband "Hug" raise/raised their two natives here. Eden loves her semi-bohemian lifestyle of hanging out with artists, writers and photographers both young and not as young. Her passions include coffee dates, succulents and making new friends.

Donovan Reese

A resident of Pecan Plantation, Donovan Reese is a professional photographer and a longtime contributor to Getty Images. He has traveled all over the world to capture images, including the Arctic and Antarctica.

Karen Gomez

Karen picked up her first camera in 2011, then quickly discovered her love of both wildlife and aviation photography when she and her husband, Doug, moved to Pecan Plantation in 2016. Karen's photographs have been on the covers of Columns magazine, and the wildlife Christmas and note cards they design and produce are big sellers during the holidays.

Nancy Pricer

Nancy Pricer has lived in Hood County since 1989. She writes an occasional recipe column for the Hood County News where she has worked for over 20 years. Her recipes are usually fast and easy to make as well as time tested with family and friends.

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ON THE COVER

LOOK! UP IN THE SKY!

The Pecan Plantation Fly-In and Car Show is September 23 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Check out page 16 for more information.

Airplanes and classic cars make great magazine covers!

COLUMNS MAGAZINE DEADLINES

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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GENERAL MANAGER

From the desk of Rick Lantgen

It has been a sweltering summer – the kind of weather where you just want to stay indoors and sit in front of an AC vent. I'm sure a lot of us have been staying inside. Maybe you've been surfing the web looking for a cool place to spend a few days or binge watching your favorite shows or sports. Believe it or not, that isn't necessarily a bad thing for our Owner's Association.

I am going to share some exciting news regarding a recent partnership that will enhance our community, and it involves Internet and television users. Our management team successfully negotiated a new contract with Spectrum that will have a significant impact on Pecan Plantation and our residents. Under this agreement, Spectrum paid the association $720,000 for the ability to continue providing television and Internet services in Pecan.

Furthermore, additional royalties from Spectrum will be paid to PPOA each quarter. We will get a 7-percent commission on all Spectrum Internet and a 3-percent commission on Spectrum digital television sales purchased by our residents.

As we move forward, I am confident that this partnership will help Pecan Plantation flourish, and we will continue to seek added revenue. Our shared vision of progress, innovation, and exceptional service will undoubtedly pave the way for even more remarkable achievements.

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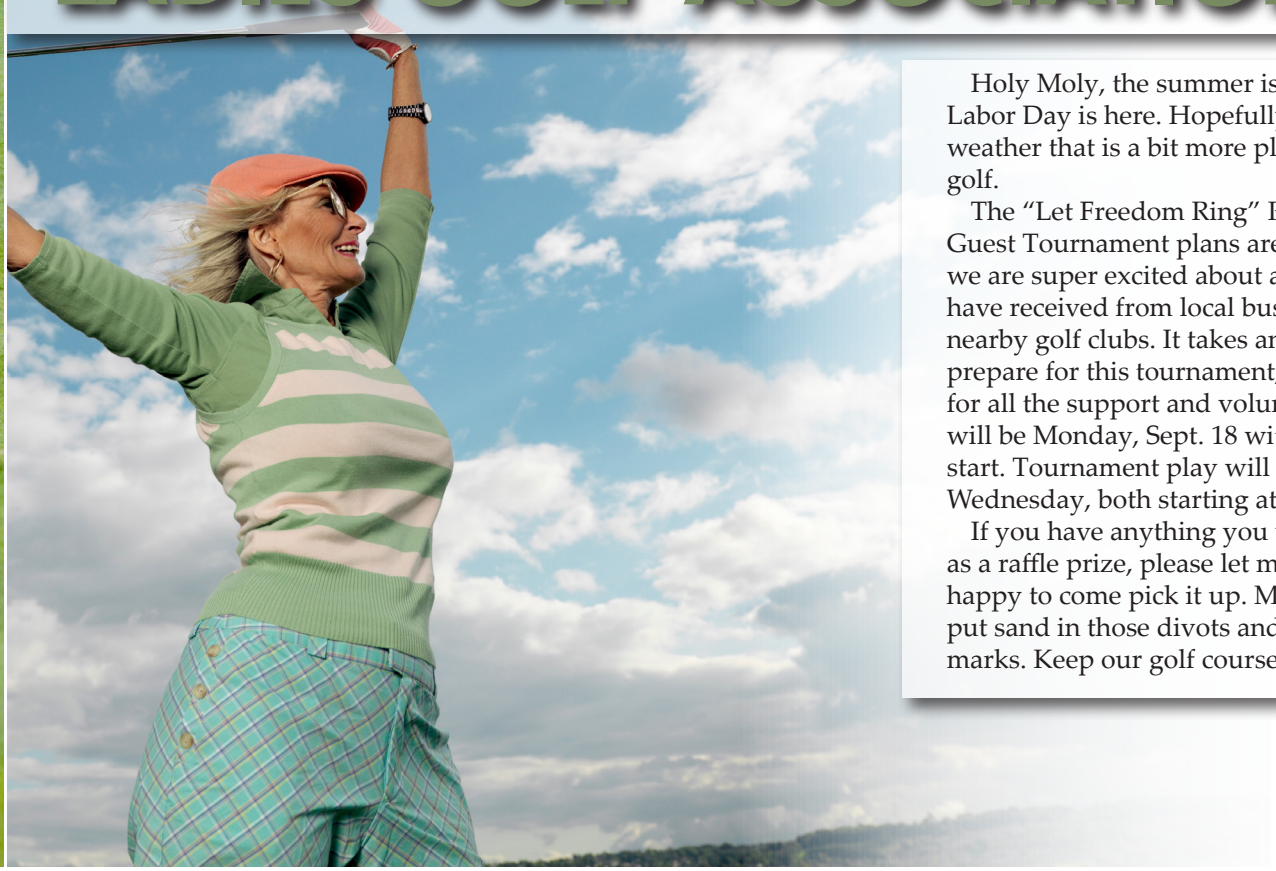

Holy Moly, the summer is almost over and Labor Day is here. Hopefully we will get some weather that is a bit more pleasant for playing golf.

The "Let Freedom Ring" Pecan Belles Member/Guest Tournament plans are in full swing, and we are super excited about all the support we have received from local businesses as well as nearby golf clubs. It takes an entire village to prepare for this tournament, and we are grateful for all the support and volunteers. Practice round will be Monday, Sept. 18 with a 10 a.m. shotgun start. Tournament play will be on Tuesday and Wednesday, both starting at 9 a.m.

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PECAN PLANTATION COMMUNITY GARDENS

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SPOTLIGHT ON SUSAN HARRIS

Garden treasurer, Susan Harris, is one of the garden's most valuable members. Among her many contributions, Susan plans monthly workdays, picks crops for other members, acts as community liaison and orchestrates fundraisers. Born in Salzburg, Austria and raised in El Paso, Susan loves cooking, gardening and pickleball.

Susan enjoys using fresh garden basil in herbal arrangements, which she often donates as event door prizes and offers as gifts to acquaintances. She advises that basil will stay fresh in a vase on the counter for up to ten days. Susan incorporates other herbs in her cooking, such as thyme, oregano, garlic chives and rosemary, all grown in the community gardens. During her time as a garden member, Susan has learned how to pickle the various produce. Pictured are her recent works of edible art.

This year, the garden group will try their hand at planting their first fall crop.

Zucchini, beets, carrots, spinach, kale, lettuce and sweet peas are scheduled to be planted in August and September.

New members are always welcome and no gardening experience is necessary.

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Thursday (10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.)
Cost: $10/class or $35/month (4 classes) or $65/month (8 classes)
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

Water Aerobics at PAC Pool until Sept 26
Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
Cost: $45/month (15 classes) or $5/class
Certified Instructor: Leslie Stain (sign up at PAC)

Line Dancing - Free
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Saturday, Oct. 28
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
*Trunk or Treat in the Parking Lot
*Clown and Balloon Animals
*Cupcake Walk
*Crafts, games, and candy
*Pumpkin Carving Contest - Adult and Kid Categories
Top 3 places in each category will receive a WalMart gift card! Drop off Pumpkins between 8 a.m. and noon on Oct. 28 to be eligible for Judging.
Prizes will be announced at party.

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Tuesday, Oct. 31
5 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Cost: $5 a person
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Note Special Clubhouse Pool Hours for Sept
Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 4th: 9:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.
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Monday, Sept. 11
11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
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Every Monday - Starts Sept 11
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Ballet/Tap Combo: (ages 5 & up) 5 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
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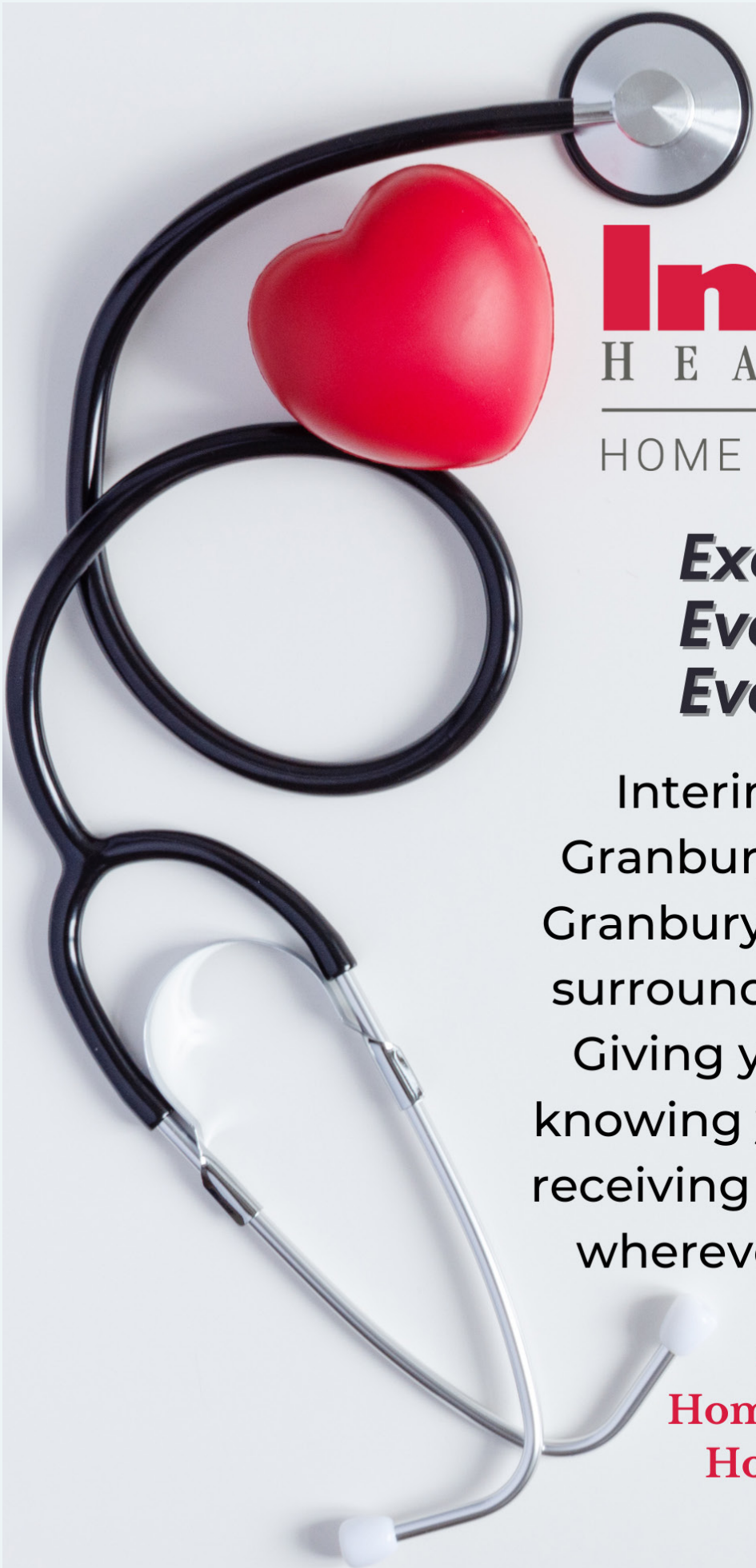

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By New Member Orientation Committee

KYLE & RITA HILL, Middlewood Circle, moved to Pecan from Hurst, Texas. They have two children. Kyle, a retired KWH Homes Management Representative, enjoys golf and fishing. Rita also enjoys golf, playing tennis, traveling, working out, and walking.

ERIC & ROSLYN MOODY, Ravenswood Road, relocated from Santa Clarita, California. They left the west coast to find a sense of community - and enjoy the Southern hospitality, life, and freedom of living at Pecan Plantation. Eric and Roslyn have two children. Eric is retired from city government and enjoys woodworking, tinkering in the garage, and learning to play golf. Roslyn is self-employed in real estate and enjoys wine tasting, dancing, singing, and enjoying life!

BRIAN & JENNIFER PAWLOWSKI, Flight Plan Drive, join us from Mansfield, Texas. They are both retired and have three children. Brian and Jennifer's interests include movies, cars, and crafts.

MICHAEL & RENEE PRUITT, St. John Court, moved from The Woodlands, Texas, and found Pecan Plantation while exploring Granbury. They have three children, five grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. Michael is retired from the US Army and is a semi-retired attorney/health system executive (self-employed). Renee is a Dr. of Physical Therapy/Professor at Lone Star College/Private Practice. Both enjoy pickleball, fly fishing, and travel. Michael also likes upland bird hunting, versatile dog activities, and routine exercise, and Renee enjoys gardening.

JIM & REGINA ROCKWOOD, King Air Drive, moved to Pecan Plantation from Keller, Texas. They have two children and two grandchildren. Jim is retired and enjoys flying, traveling, and gardening. Regina is self-employed as a professional counselor and enjoys yoga, gardening, reading, travel, and spending time with family and friends.

PAUL & HEATHER SHIELDS, Pinehurst Drive, relocated to Pecan from Phoenix, Arizona. They have two children. Paul is employed with Commanche Peak Generating Station and Heather is self-employed as a wellness instructor. Paul enjoys beer brewing, bird watching, fishing, hiking, golfing, and boating. Heather enjoys holistic wellness, fitness, anything outdoors, boating, dogs, and equal parts socializing and spending alone time with Jesus.

KENDALL & KIMBERLY WALLIN, Pleasant Hill Drive, join us from Amarillo, Texas. They have two children. Kendall is employed with AgTexas and enjoys golf, sports, grilling/smoking meat. Kimberly enjoys reading, walking, collecting cake plates, home decor, and fashion.

Pecan Plantation
Fly-in and Car Show

Photos by Karen Gomez

Pecan Plantation's own EAA Chapter 983, will once again host our Fall Fly-in on Saturday, Sept. 23, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Pecan Plantation Airstrip.

If you have lived in Pecan for more than a couple of years, you know this is an event not to be missed and fun for the entire family. Bring the kids to look at airplanes and classic cars, the likes of which are truly picture-worthy! Kids 8-17 can sign up at the event for a Young Eagles flight with one of your Pecan Plantation pilots at no cost to the parent. We will have food available for purchase and for kids of all ages, a simulator to fly. In addition we will have radio controlled airplanes, a helicopter, gyrocopter and glider on display to investigate and learn about. We will have a silent auction where you can bid on both aviation and non-aviation related items. Come in your golf cart (parking at Planeview Park) or park your car at the Nutcracker parking lot. We will provide transportation over to the airpark.

Pecan Plantation Owners Association
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For the Seven Months Ending May 2023

CONSOLIDATED OPERATING STATEMENT

	Actual YTD	Budget	Variance
Operating Revenues	$ 5,832,667	$ 5,843,428	$ (10,761)
Cost of Goods Sold	$ (826,294)	$ (830,736)	$ 4,442
Gross Operating Profit	$ 5,006,373	$ 5,012,692	$ (6,319)
Labor, Taxes & Benefits	$ (3,118,017)	$ (3,266,127)	$ 148,110
Other Operating Expenses	$ (1,711,638)	$ (1,730,031)	$ 18,393
Net Operating Income/(Loss) Before Depreciation	**$ 176,718**	**$ 16,534**	**$ 160,184**

RESERVE & REPLACEMENT FUND

	Actual YTD	Year End Forecast
Beginning Balance	$ 3,137,880	$ 3,137,880
Fund Deposits	$ 527,993	$ 1,074,106
Fund Expenditures	$ (612,742)	$ (2,524,537)
Ending Balance	**$ 3,053,131**	**$ 1,687,449**

NEW CAPITAL FUND

	Actual YTD	Year End Forecast
Beginning Balance	$ 207,162	$ 207,162
Fund Deposits	$ 244,854	$ 437,526
Fund Expenditures	$ (46,653)	$ (71,015)
Ending Balance	**$ 405,363**	**$ 573,673**

ROAD & DRAINAGE FUND

	Actual YTD	Year End Forecast
Beginning Balance	$ 1,347,968	$ 1,347,968
Fund Deposits	$ 1,008,020	$ 1,734,534
Fund Expenditures	$ -	$ (2,295,583)
Ending Balance	**$ 2,355,988**	**$ 786,919**

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The "Greatest Disco Band in the World," Le Freak, brought down the house during a free community-wide concert July 29 on the PPCC Clubhouse steps. Here, band members (from left) Marvin Jackson-Osmond, Bud Beauford, Minnesota Mick James, and Curly Brown pose in front of roughly 2,000 fans. The concert was part of the 2023 Men's Member/Guest Golf Tournament. Le Freak had the all-ages crowd dancing to the top disco hits from yesteryear in the front traffic circle and beyond. If you missed their show at Pecan Plantation, you can catch the band when it returns to Hood County on Sept. 1 at Granbury Live.

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WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

Widows & Widowers Support Group

The Pecan Widow and Widowers Club will meet for their September meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 26 at the Clubhouse Terrace Room at 5:30 p.m. RSVP's may be made by Sept. 19 to caryl.mahaffey@charter.net. Chef Jordan will be providing a choice of one entrée and a choice of one salad for the no host dinner. Members' choice must be selected at the time the RSVP is made.

The club has enjoyed many interesting programs and fun games in the last six months. From Butterfly Appreciation, Second Chance Farms presentation, Broadway Musical songs by a dynamic couple to an indoor picnic along with game nights. The September meeting will feature Pecan resident, Anna Langley doing a book review on" Goodbye to a River" written by John Graves. Mr. Graves wrote the book on the proposed series of dams along the Brazos River.

RV CLUB NEWS

By David Kroon

As I write this article over my morning coffee, it's 48 degrees outside. It's the morning of July 25 and Vickie and I, along with two other couples, are in Red River N.M. enjoying the first leg of a four week RV journey. We stopped along the way in Amarillo and were able to attend the "Texas Outdoor Musical" in Palo Duro Canyon State Park. It was HOT there, but the play was spectacular.

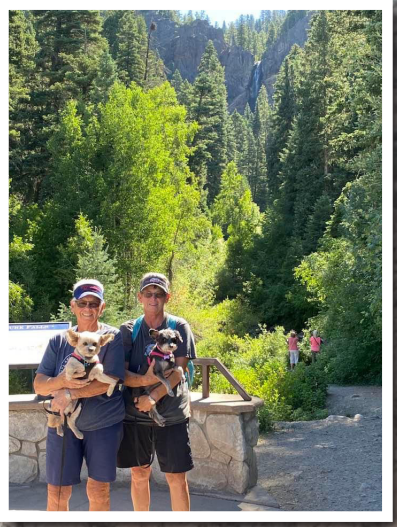
Yesterday, the three couples all piled in a vintage Ford Bronco along with our tour guide/driver and ventured off to Goose Lake. No big deal right. Oh but it was…As we traveled the steep bumpy and winding one lane road rising in elevation from 8,671 to 11,712 feet, we saw the beauty of the mountains above Red River. We also saw the devastation caused by a windstorm in December 2021 which felled many beautiful trees. Ruins of mining operations from the late 1800s were along the way. After almost two hours, we reached our destination of Goose Lake. A Bighorn Sheep greeted our arrival with a curious stare. A fisherman and family were cleaning their catch of nice trout. The beauty of the lake with a high mountainous backdrop was surely a sight to see.

I reached out to fellow RV'rs to hear of their summer travels. Bob K. and his dog Buddy were on a 4000-mile trek that included Jersey City, New Jersey, where he could see Freedom Tower in New York. From there they dropped down to Florida before returning home. Jeanne and Mary Ann G. were finishing up a hike to Treasure Falls below Wolf Creek Pass Colorado. Tom and Jackie S. traveled to a Johnny Morris property near Branson Missouri in late May. The Greens, Prices and Tines were in Garden of the Gods in Colorado with more than a month of travel ahead including Wyoming and Idaho. I heard from Steve and Barb W. from Oshkosh Wisconsin where there is a huge fly in and air show each year and many of our RV members and Pecan pilots attend. They were camped with their RV on the grounds. I've included some photos of these adventures.

Our Fall Mini Rally is coming up Sept. 17-20 and will be held at the Shady Campground in Pecan. A shopping excursion as well as golf, games, and of course food are in the plans.

Our Fall Rally Oct. 15-20 is out of town in Stonewall TX. and approximately 25 rigs will be attending.

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



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By Kim Skoog

DID YOU KNOW: that all fire departments in Hood County are run by Volunteers?

It's TRUE! All of Hood County fire departments, and that includes Pecan Plantation, are volunteer fire departments! Pecan Plantation, Indian Harbor, DeCordova, Cresson, North Hood County, Lipan, Tolar and two stations in Granbury.

As I write this for the September Columns in July, we're in the middle of a long stretch of 100° weather. It's HOT out there! The grass fire danger is real and large fires are happening outside of our gates. Supplies and donations are always needed by the fire department.

Inside our gates, they're advertising and selling more property and building more houses in our quaint Pecan Plantation. No matter how we feel about that, growth is inevitable, and one thing to think about is that with more people, the need for fire services will, and is, increasing.

With services ranging from assisting the elderly with changing batteries in their smoke alarms that are going off in the middle of the night and they can't get anyone out till the next day to change them, to assisting with "help my house is flooding, and I can't get the water turned off", to carbon monoxide detectors going off, my grass is on fire, bus accidents, golf cart rollovers, car accidents, lift assist and landing zones with the EMS, backup for EMS if they're swamped, events such as the one year anniversary of our own Ace Hardware, the Health Fair, the many events of our wonderful auxiliary, and October's Fire prevention week. And Heaven forbid, the house fire.

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EMS

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

Good day, everyone! I'd like to spend some time talking about Automated External Defibrillators (AED), what they're for, and where we have ours located in Pecan.

The heart is a two-part pump, comprising an electrical and mechanical component. We need both to generate a heartbeat. When the electrical component gets out of sync, our heart rhythm degenerates into ventricular tachycardia (rapid ventricular heartrate) or ventricular fibrillation (quivering ventricles), ventricles being the large, muscular, bottom-most portion of our heart. When the ventricles are compromised, blood is not pumped throughout the body. We call this cardiac arrest. There are a few different types of cardiac arrest, but ventricular fibrillation (VF) and ventricular tachycardia (VT) are the most common in witnessed arrest. An AED is used to deliver an electrical shock to the heart. This electrical shock defibrillates (stops the heart from quivering) and restores it to normal function. The AED is only useful for hearts that still retain some vital function, meaning a heart at complete standstill (asystole or 'flatline') will not respond to defibrillation.

AED's have saved many lives since their introduction into the public sphere. They are designed for the untrained person, utilizing simple pictures and, often, verbal coaching from the device. We have several throughout the property, located in public spaces for immediate access in the event of witnessed arrest:

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- 19th Hole
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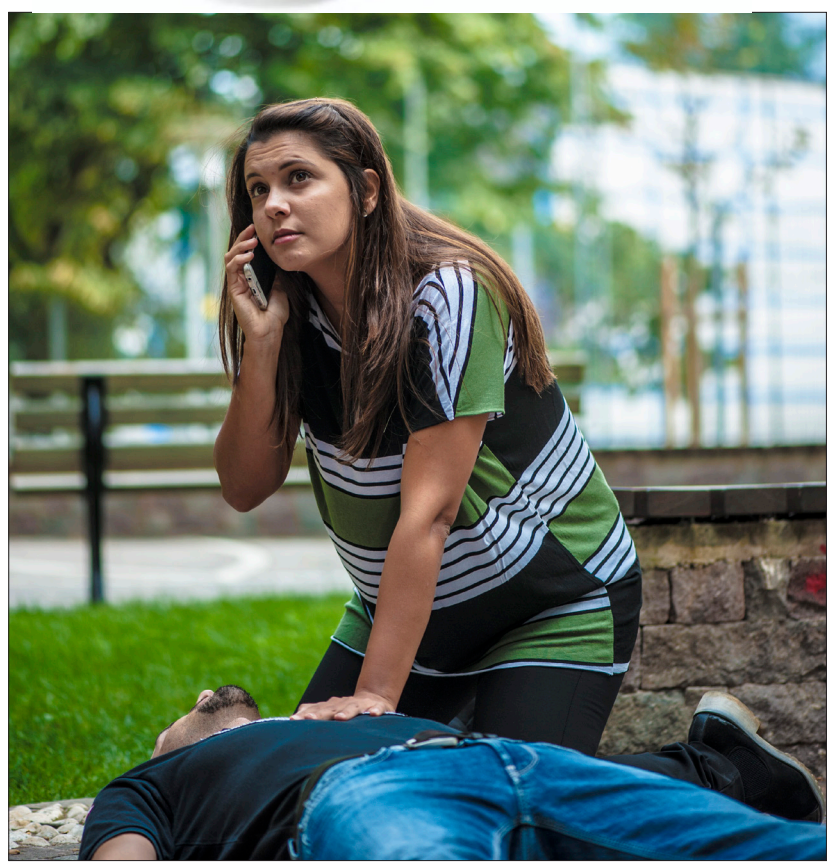
I'm in the process of adding several more, with the goal of having one in every public area.

So, if you see someone pass out and they do not respond to you, attach an AED! It will not shock the patient unless they have VT or VF, and you just may save their life!

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.

Remember to call 911 for emergencies!



EQUESTRIAN UPDATE

By Tammy Dressman

In one of our latest articles, the photo of one of our newest boarders was not included. While the information on our boarder, Brenda Tealer, was included, unfortunately she and her horse did not make the article. So this month we're happy to include a great shot of Brenda and Coco. Brenda and Coco have been able to enjoy much cooler weather in California and New Mexico for several weeks. Coco, we can't wait for you and your human to be back "home" – apologies for not getting your picture in earlier.

We were also glad to welcome back one of our equine family members. River, owned by Vicky Burns, sustained an injury which was initially thought to be a fairly minor one – thinking that a nail had been removed successfully. Turns out, it progressed rapidly with some infection setting in and turned major quickly. River was at the vet for almost two months. We're happy to say he's back home, progressively recovering and doing well. By this publication, we expect to see him on the trail soon. Just look at that face – such a sweet boy!

Hopefully by publication of this month's article, the weather will have started to cool off. Every year the months of July and August are just brutal with the dry, extreme heat. Fortunately, the Pecan horses have all held up well. When the temps cool down a bit, the boarders are looking so forward to riding the hopefully completed new equestrian/walking trail. The developers have added a very valuable and treasured amenity for equestrians and hikers alike as we are always looking for beautiful places to ride and hike while avoiding traffic within our beautiful subdivision. Additionally, huge thanks to Daniel Van Patten and his crews for working to extend the river trail across from the campground – another beautiful place to enjoy nature.

We wanted to give a shout out and thanks to Roy Bridgewater who generously donated some high quality merchandise to the Pecan Stables boarders. Roy was in the process of clearing out some horse items he had and graciously donated them to the Pecan stables. There were several boarders at the stables when his box of items was opened - it was like Christmas! Thank you, Mr. Bridgewater, – boarders are most appreciative.

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.

Top: Brenda Tealer and Coco.

Left: River, who sustained an injury to his foot, is back after almost 2 months at the vet.

GENEOLOGY

By Ronda Bauman

The Genealogy Group will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2023, at 10 a.m. at Pecan Plantation EMS Training Room (9518 Monticello Dr. Behind the fire station.). Everyone is welcome. Participants do not need to be residents of Pecan Plantation. Those coming from outside Pecan should tell gate security they are attending the genealogy meeting at the EMS training room.

Sept. 19, 2023—Show and Tell. This is a great time to get reacquainted. Or if you're new to the group, a fabulous opportunity to make new, like-minded friends. Your assignment: Bring a family heirloom or other object of interest to show to the group. Or, tell us an intriguing family story.

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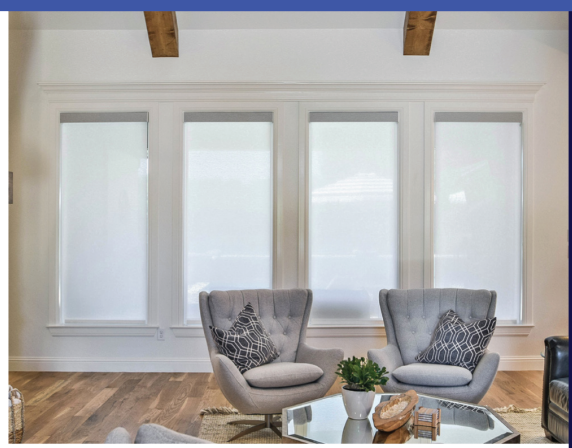

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AUXILIARY NEWS

By Lana Robinson

The Pecan Plantation VFD/EMS Auxiliary's longest running annual fundraiser ~ Pecan's Fall Bazaar (formerly Pecan Arts & Crafts Fair) ~ is just around the corner! Gates will be open for this popular event, from 9 a.m.- 3 p.m., on Saturday, Sept. 30, 2023.

Come expecting the PAC facility and gym to be filled to the max with unique, handcrafted home décor and gifts—artwork, jewelry, apparel, woodcrafts, yard art, handbags, ceramics, stained glass, holiday decorations and ornaments, macrame, ironworks, knitted and crocheted baby items and other accessories, quilts, specialty foods, candles, scents, smells and more.

Don't forget, Cowtown Gold & Silver will be present 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 PPVFD/EMS a check for 10% of the amount of gold and silver purchased.

Don't miss this exciting opportunity to plan a fun outing and shopping spree with friends or to hand pick your own very special gifts for friends and items to get a head start on your Christmas decorating. Attendees will also enjoy three to four hours of acoustic music, including country, bluegrass, rock, and classic jazz. The Auxiliary will offer an affordable meal.

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 7 p.m., Monday, Sept. 11, at the Charlie Lee Memorial EMS building, 9815 Monticello Dr. The meeting will be preceded by a potluck and social beginning at 6 p.m. All adult Pecan residents are invited to attend as the organization conducts business and seeks fresh ideas and input from the community to improve its fundraising mission for the Pecan VFD/EMS.

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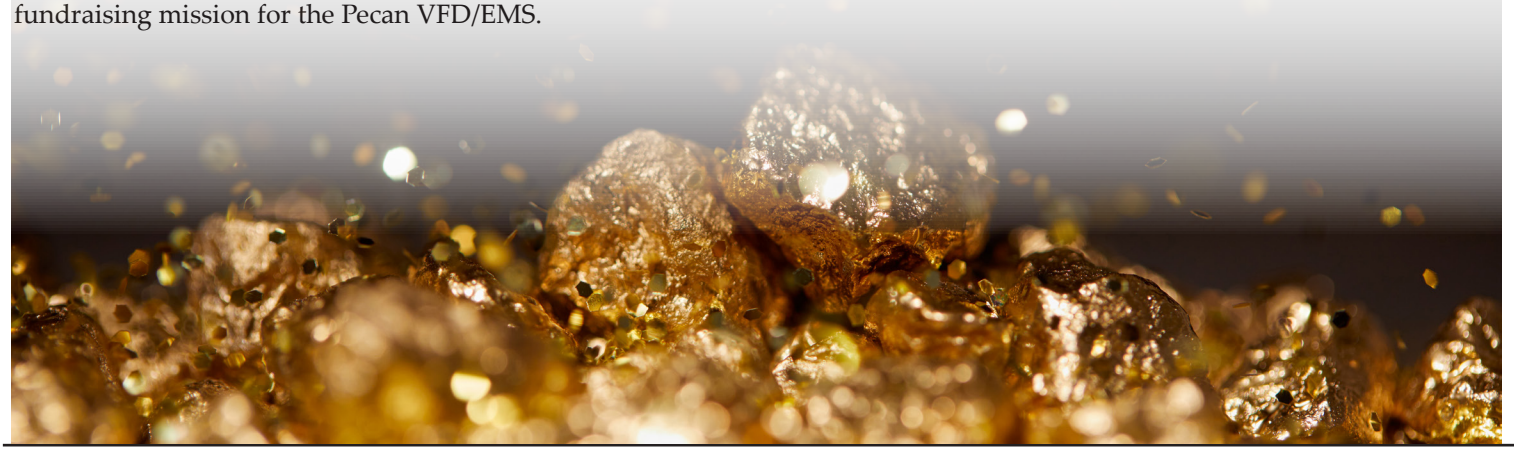

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By John Ingram III
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- Well done, junior campers (and staff)! We had a fun summer of tennis, golf, and swimming! Thanks to parents and grandparents who trusted us with their precious ones, and we look forward to seeing you next year!

- Thanks to all who participated in PPTA's "Breakfast at Wimbledon" event on our own grass court! The strawberries & cream (and the Pimm's), along with everyone in their "tennis whites", made for an extra-special event!

- With the last tennis major now in progress, it's time for the PPTA "U.S. Open" playday – Friday, Sept. 8 (6 p.m.). We'll have "Chef Ken" on the grille and "Coach John" putting people on the courts. Come join us!

- Fall Junior Tennis begins Wednesday, Sept. 6. Wednesdays 4:30 -5:30 p.m. (Age 6-9) and 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. (Age 10-12) Come on out for some fun junior tennis (and visit with other parents!) Call Tennis Shoppe to sign up!

- USTA fall leagues are beginning this month. We have teams in Men's, women's, and mixed doubles. Good luck to all players!

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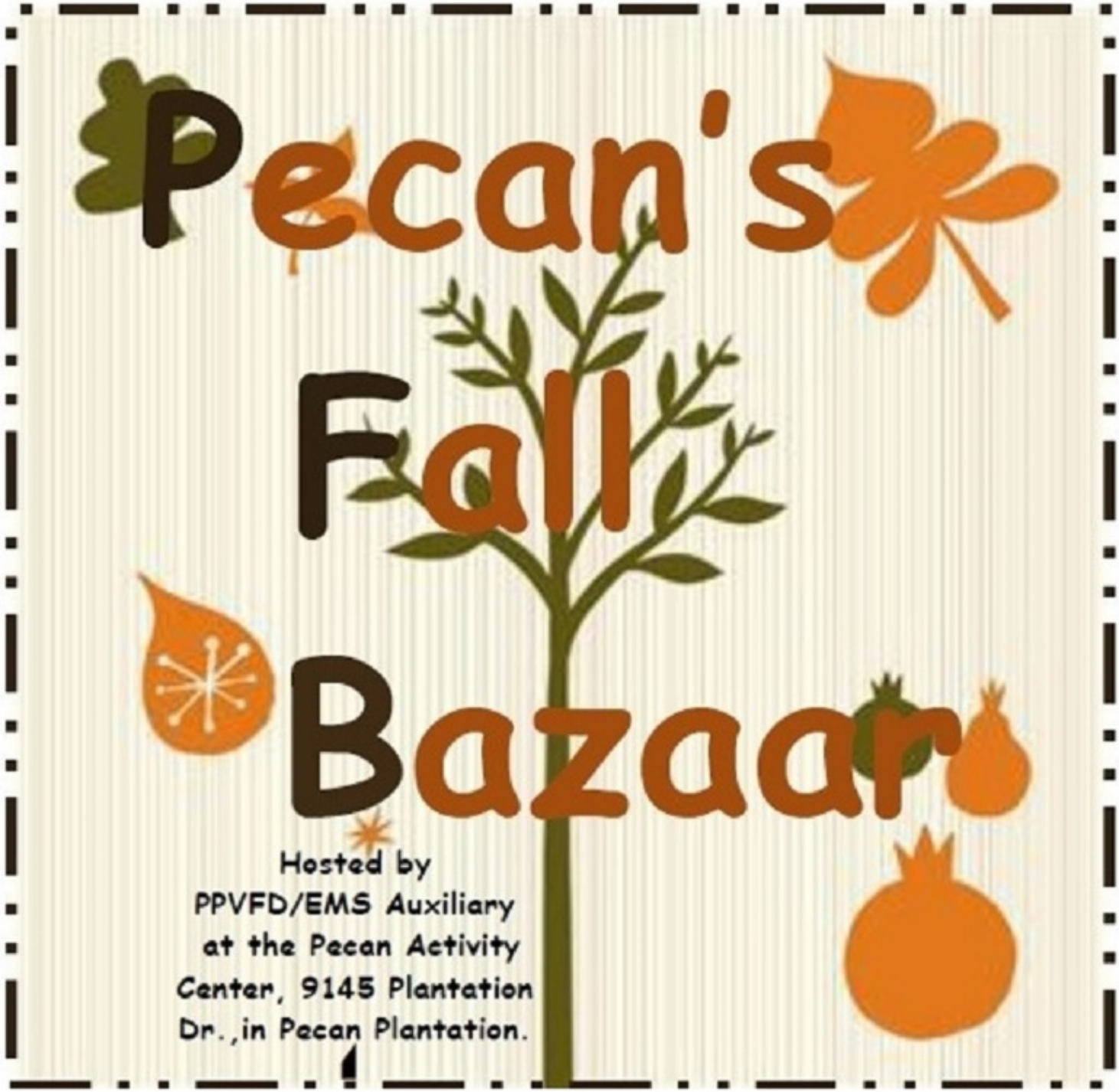

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YELLOW GARDEN SPIDER

By Mary Lou Wood

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Argiope Aurantia is a species of spider, commonly known as the yellow garden spider, black and yellow spider, writing spider, zigzag spider, zipper spider, black and yellow Argiope, corn spider, Steeler spider, or McKinley spider. It is common to the contiguous United States, Hawaii, southern Canada, Mexico, and central America. It has distinctive yellow and black markings on the abdomen and mostly white cephalothorax. Its scientific Latin name translates to "gilded silver-face." These spiders may bite if disturbed or harassed, but the venom is harmless to non-allergic humans, roughly equivalent to a bumblebee sting in intensity.

HABITAT

Yellow garden spiders often build in areas adjacent to open sunny fields where they stay concealed and protected from the wind. The spider can be found along the eaves of houses or in tall vegetation where they can securely stretch a web. The female spiders tend to stay in one place throughout much of their lifetime.

The web of the yellow garden spider is distinctive: a circular shape up to 2 feet in diameter, with a dense zigzag of silk, known as stabilimentum, in the center. It is possible that it acts as camouflage for the spider lurking in the web's center, but it may also attract insect-prey, or even warn birds of the presence of the difficult-to-see web. Only those spiders that are active during the day construct stabilimentum in their webs.

To construct the web, several radial lines are stretched among four or five anchor points that can be three feet apart. The radial lines meet at a center point. The spider makes a frame with more radial lines and then fills the center with a spiral of silk, leaving a gap between the spiral rings, starting with the innermost ring and moving outward in a clockwise motion. The female builds a larger web than the male's zigzag web, found nearby. The spider occupies the center of the web, usually facing straight down, waiting for prey.

VENOM

Argiope spiders are not aggressive. Other than for defense they do not attack large animals. A bite is comparable to a bee sting with redness and swelling. For a healthy adult, a bite is not an issue.

REPRODUCTION

Yellow garden spiders breed twice a year. The male uses the palpal bulbs on his pedipalps to transfer sperm to the female. After inserting the second palpal bulb, the male dies, and is sometimes eaten by the female.

The female lays her eggs at night on a sheet of silky material, then covers them with a layer of protective brownish silk. She then forms the sheet into a ball with an upturned neck. Each sac contains a thousand eggs. In the spring, the young spiders exit the sac. Some spiderlings remain behind, but others exude a strand of silk that gets caught by the breeze, carrying the spiderling to a distant area.

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PERFECTING THE PRE-GAME

By Eden Duncan Gilbreath

Tailgating has become a hallmark of football season. Photos of happy sports enthusiasts enjoying a snack and a cold beverage before the game has become synonymous with fun. Sort of an official warm-up for spectators before the game.

As with all things culinary it seems even tailgating has been elevated to high art. Articles abound on promising the perfect list of before game appetizers and the ideal libation to match. With each year the ante has been upped.

Food and beverage companies take advantage of this lucrative element of entertaining, as sales for the market now soar into the billions according to the Tailgating Industry Association. Restaurants now try to capitalize on tailgating-style food as well for patrons who want to enjoy the game from their establishments.

It seems often men, especially, appreciate a good tailgate party. Where women always had their Sunday dinners, family picnics and salad forks placed on the outside of a place setting - men had barbeque grills and tailgating. Insert rough growl here.

Even the burliest of men can proudly offer a chic accompaniment to their offerings if their main event is chicken wings. A tasty grilled wing or rib avails the tailgate chef the "street cred" needed to offer a sweet but spicy pineapple-jalapeno dipping sauce on the side.

Every good party needs a tasty morsel or ten. It's really the bedrock of entertaining but so is the pre-game entertainment. Washer toss, horseshoes, wiffle ball and the all-time classic cornhole! Especially cornhole emblazoned with your favorite team's logo. Many pre-game, good-hearted scuffles have been narrowly averted as the spectators compete in these tests of skill, only to then walk into the game

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arm in arm.

And if you are truly a committed tailgater - companies are devising new ways to meet your needs and fill their pockets. Efficient grills that practically cook for you and all the bells to go with them. Coolers that keep drinks cold for days. Even tables that attach to your hitch or for the most discriminating of tastes an all-in-one tailgating apparatus that would be the envy of any fan. There are even small trailer food trucks that will bring the party to you.

If hosting a tailgating party, don't forget the canopy or large umbrella. And music! The "bops", the "tunes", the "jams", the "grooves", the "beats" are a key element. Like your recipes, this should be to personal taste, whatever your preferred genre. Whether country, rock or… well that about sums it up for tailgating music, music sets the mood for any entertaining endeavor. You don't want to be shamed without some great bass or a sweet Bluetooth set-up to tastefully share your playlist with others.

People make the party more than any other element, be sure to collect your best buddies for your memory-making tailgating soiree. Friends after all are the truly one-of-a-kind element. The truck next to yours in the parking lot may have a more swanky set up than you have, but what they don't have is your best buds.

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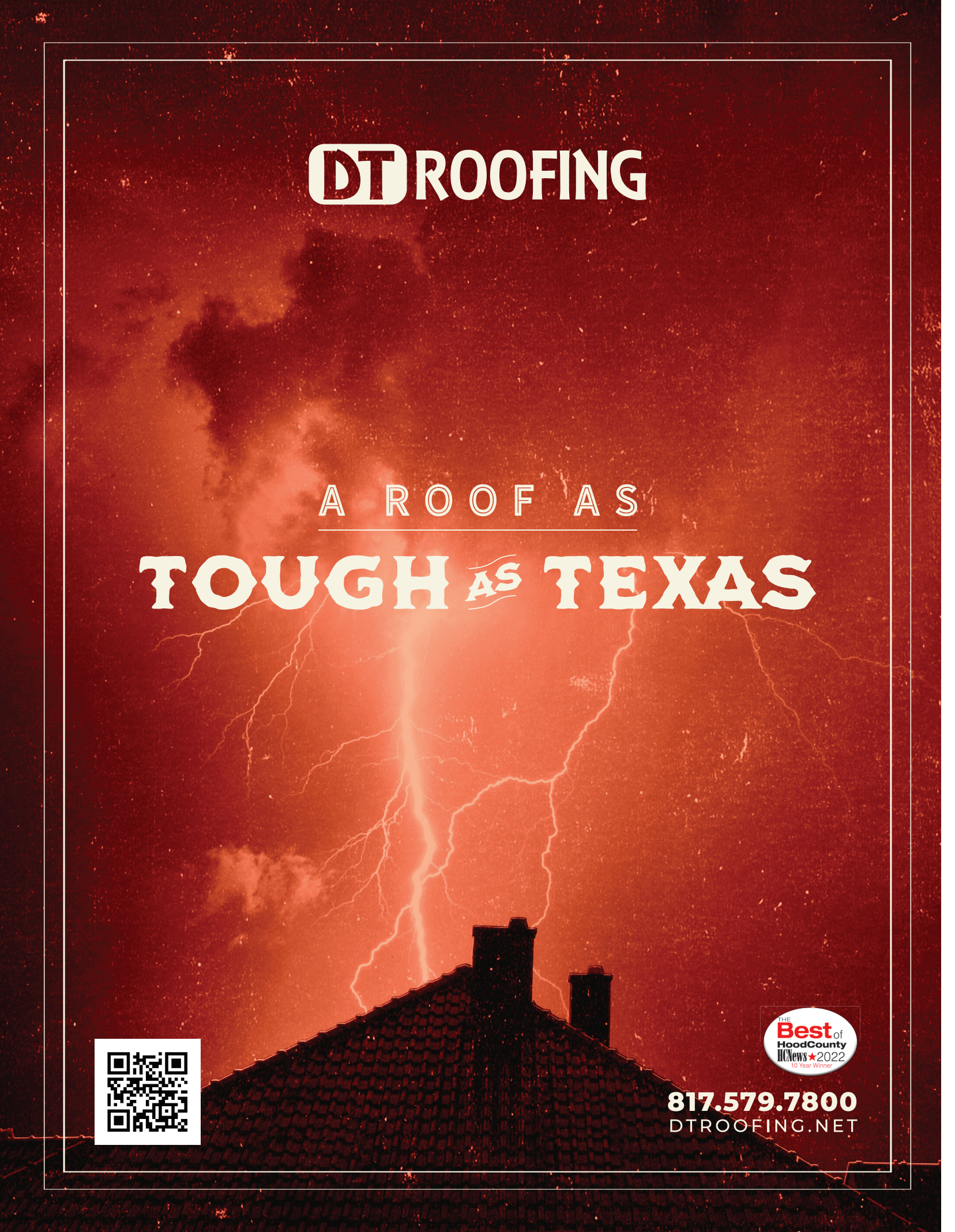
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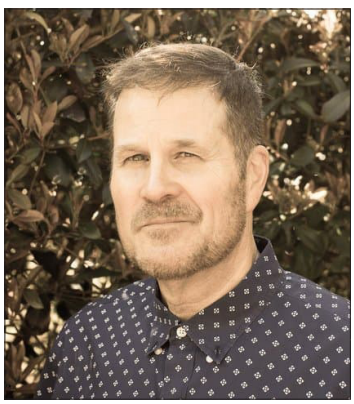
For a few weeks now, Breakfast Club has been able to return to menu service for breakfast. Goodbye breakfast burritos!! Our plans are to adjust the menu each month to include a new item along with some old-time favorites. Let us know how we are doing and if you have suggestion for the menu. The price for each item on the menu includes tax and gratuity however additional gratuities for exceptional service are always appreciated. Check out the menu on our Facebook page at Pecan Breakfast Club.

Callie Crow trains people on the use of Naloxone in the case of an overdose.

On Aug. 9, Callie Crow returned to Breakfast Club for the last of our Save-A-Life programs. In two years, Callie's training has saved 55 lives in north Texas. That's over two lives every month! Callie taught Breakfast Club members how to recognize a likely opioid overdose and administer medication to reverse the deadly effects of the opioids. She provided each member with the medication to carry with them. We're all hoping we never have to use it but, if necessary, these members will be ready to save a life. Last year over 110,000 Americans were killed by an opioid overdose. It is a serious problem in our country and Breakfast Club is doing its part to help.



Dr. Scott Myers, Granbury Veterinarian, spoke at an August meeting.

Dr. Scott Myers, a Granbury Veterinarian, rounded out our August programs with a display of his amazing talents. Dr Myers is a renowned sculpturer with 25 portrait busts in the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio. A native Texan, Scott has studied sculpture throughout Italy, focusing on Tuscany. His works are on display in museums and permanent collections across Texas and Europe. He has won numerous awards and honors not only for his sculptures but also his amazing paintings. He boasts ten monumental sculpture installations at locations from California to Texas. Check out his works at scottmyersstudio.com.

Breakfast Club will host two interesting speakers this month. September marks our general manager's one year anniversary in Pecan Plantation. To mark the occasion, Rick Lantgen will be our special guest speaker on Sept. 13. We anticipate a large crowd to hear Rick's presentation. Members will be given an opportunity to ask Rick questions. Make your reservations early for the event by calling the front desk. Reservations are due by noon on Sept. 12.

On Sept. 27, our special guest will be Martha Headrick, Director of Air Evac Lifeteam Program. Air Evac Lifetime is the leading provider of emergency air medical transportation services and is one of the providers for Pecan Plantation. In time critical medical emergencies, Air Evac can quickly transport Pecan residents to hospitals in Ft. Worth or Dallas. Join us to learn more about this critically important service.

Did you know that air evacuation services for Pecan residents are essentially free if you are registered for the services with AMUD? Check your AMUD bill. There should be a $1.00 charge for Texas EMS and a $1.00 charge for Careflite. If not, you are missing out on a very inexpensive and critical service.

We're always looking for interesting speakers for Breakfast Club. If you have an idea for a great speaker, please let us hear about them at pecanbreakfast@gmail.com.

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Martha Headrick, Director of Air Evac Lifeteam Program is the special guest for the Sept. 27 meeting.

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ONE LAST BASH

One last bash as summer winds down is a great way to send off a season that's synonymous with recreation and leisure. And end-of-summer soirée also provides an opportunity to get together with friends and family before a new school year begins and families' schedules fill up.

As the calendar flips to September, hosts can consider these tips as they plan a memorable sendoff to summer.

AVOID LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Labor Day marks the unofficial end of summer in many places, but hosts may want to avoid choosing this popular three-day weekend for their end-of-summer soirée. A survey from the travel experts at The Vacationer found that roughly 137 million people had travel plans over Labor Day weekend in 2022. Travel is undeniably popular on Labor Day weekend, and hosts likely won't want to contend with guests' travel plans. The weekend before Labor Day may produce a greater turnout, which undoubtedly makes for a more enjoyable affair.

PICK A SUMMER THEME

An end-of-summer party should have a theme that evokes the season's special vibe. A beach theme with some sand in the backyard, some specialty cocktails served with mini beach umbrellas and, of course, some water play for adults and kids can help to establish a vibe that's synonymous with summer.

SERVE TRADITIONAL FARE

Though hosts who already hosted a handful of backyard barbecues this summer might have had their fill of hamburgers and hot dogs, an end-of-summer party is the last time many people will eat such foods until next spring. So while it's alright to offer some alternatives, such as meat cooked on a smoker or grilled fish, be sure to offer the standard hamburgers and hot dogs as well.

INVITE THE NEIGHBORS

It's tempting to throw a season-ending bash that lasts into the wee hours, but that can be problematic for hosts whose neighbors are within arm's length. That potentially sticky situation can be remedied by inviting the neighbors to the party. Neighbors won't be upset by a little extra nighttime noise if they're living it up as well. If that's not an option, hosts can just remember to turn the volume down a notch once the sun sets.

CREATE A CONTINGENCY PLAN

August can be a bit on the rainy side in many areas, particularly those where hurricane season hits full swing as summer winds down. Though summer storms tend to come and go in the blink of an eye, it's best to have a contingency plan in place. If possible, ensure outdoor entertaining areas can provide some respite from the elements if need be. A well-placed pergola can keep guests and food safe from the rain and a retractable patio awning can provide an extra layer of protection. Hosts also can clear out part of their home interior and have some backup games at the ready to accommodate guests if the party has to move inside for a little while.

An end-of-summer soirée can be the perfect way to say so long to a beloved time of year.

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PICKLEBALL NEWS

It has been a busy summer for the Pecan Plantation Pickleball Association! Volunteers worked at the fundraising booth at the Pecan July 4th Celebration. We had a dunk chair that offered a refreshing cool down on the hot summer day. Event's coordinator Charlotte Bishop had also created a pickleball game to test the skills of young and old alike. The association will participate in the upcoming Labor Day event. Please, stop by and learn about pickleball, play the games, and purchase a sweet treat!

In early July, the PPPA also hosted a Pickle/Swim camp for kids ages 8-12. Campers were introduced to the game of pickleball and had an hour practicing their skills and playing fun games. Then the kids had an hour of swim time at the PAC pool. Twelve campers did a fantastic job!

A reminder that indoor play is now every day of the week from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. except for Wednesday when play ends at 11:30 a.m. The next beginner's clinic indoors will be on Monday Sept. 11 from 11 a.m. to noon. No reservation is required and paddles will be available to borrow. Please wear comfortable clothing and court shoes.

Outdoor play is available from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. and a reservation is required. Due to the excessive summer heat, the outdoor funnel was placed on hold, but watch for an email to announce its return.

The Ladies Pickleball group is back in full swing. They are now meeting every Tuesday afternoon from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. for ladies only play. All levels are welcome!

Several of the Pickle/Swim campers show off their awards on the final day.

President Sam Butler looks on as the dunk chair cools off a young participant.

Volunteers worked at the PPPA fundraising booth in July.

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GAME DAY PARTY IDEAS

Football season is upon us. Whether it's a professional game, college match, or pre-game before heading to a local high school contest, game day experiences can be enhanced by sharing the festivities with friends or family.

Football parties can take enjoyment of the game to the next level and be enhanced with each game that occurs on the road to the playoffs. The following are some ways to score touchdowns when hosting game day gatherings.

CREATE A DIY FOOTBALL FIELD TABLE COVER

Head to the nearest party store and purchase green craft paper or a plastic tablecloth. Stretch it over the expanse of the table you need to cover and secure it underneath with tape or clips. Use white tape or ribbon to mark off the field yard markings and utilize white stick-on numerals to enhance the yard line measurements. Such a festive table can double as the perfect playing field for table-top football.

DECORATE A DRINK STATION

Dress up your cooler with team colors and logos. Make a goal post out of PVC piping to add a little extra whimsy to the design.

CREATE GAME-INSPIRED FOODS

Football-shaped foods, from mini meatloafs to calzones to cookies to doughnuts, will make the event even more fun. Invest in a football-shaped cookie cutter to cut just about everything, from sliced cheeses to sandwiches to pie crusts to that pigskin shape.

SET UP GAMES OF CHANCE

Buying "boxes" and gambling on the outcomes of the quarters is tradition for many people who participate in football parties. However, gambling isn't for everyone. Party hosts can come up with other clever ideas to give people chances to win prizes. Purchase a few inexpensive gift cards to local coffee shops, sporting goods retailers or to supermarkets. Give out raffle tickets to all in attendance. Each time the team scores, pick a raffle ticket out of a bag or bucket. The called number gets a prize.

CONSIDER A TAILGATE THEME

Evoke the feelings of a true stadium tailgate by hosting the party outdoors in the neighborhood. Each home can have its own station in the driveway, with party-goers walking from home to home to load up on snacks and talk about the game.

Game day is a great time to get together with fellow fans, friends and family.

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Sandy Hoelting, President

BIG EVENTS USHER IN 45TH YEAR

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We have an exciting year planned with many activities to celebrate our memorable 45th anniversary! Every month we feature a variety of programs from a local musical duo, Ray and Lois, performing this month, a program by B. Blumen Flowers, two fantastic and fun fashion shows, to a 45th anniversary party in January.

The calendar year will round out on a high note thanks to an appearance by widely acclaimed Dallas Morning News consumer advocate columnist Dave Lieber, appropriately known as "The Watchdog".

All the members of Pecan Plantation Woman's Club invite you to attend our meetings, get to know the women in your neighborhood, have a few laughs, share good food, and build friendships while helping others.

Please join us on Sept. 21 at 9:30 a.m. in the Pecan Plantation Clubhouse ballroom for social time with the meeting beginning at 10 a.m. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me, Sandy Hoelting, at sandyh9911@gmail.com or call 501-922-7464. We would love to have you join us. It will be an exciting year! Come be a part of PPWC!

Top: Pecan Plantation Woman's Club 2023-2024 Executive Board.

Bottom: Pecan Plantation Woman's Club 2023-2024 Board.

Pecan Plantation Woman's Club

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By Cecil Caldwell

I hope everyone has survived this incredibly hot summer we have suffered through. Many of our members, including me, sought some refuge in the mountains, but even there they were experiencing hotter than normal temperatures, and I personally did not find the fishing very good this year.

Some of our members that participate in shotgun shooting have continued to shoot throughout the summer, even in the hot conditions. Below are scores from an outing in July.

The scores are in the table to the right, and I believe all shooters used 12 gauges. Each shooter shot at 50 targets.

As you are reading this article many of our members will be in the field looking for dove as the season opens on Sept. 1. Have a safe hunt if you are going dove hunting. Fall fishing will begin to get a little better as we look forward to some cooler weather and hopefully a little more rain.

Our next meeting will be on Sept. 14, time and location to be determined.

If you have an interest in the club you can contact me at ccald67@gmail.com.

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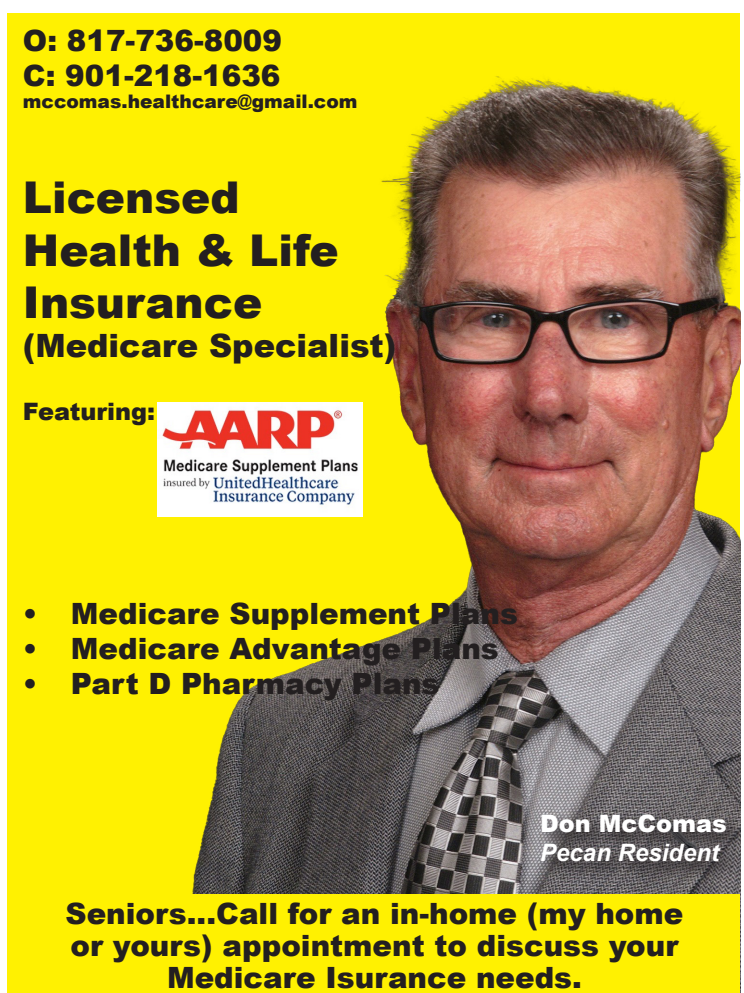

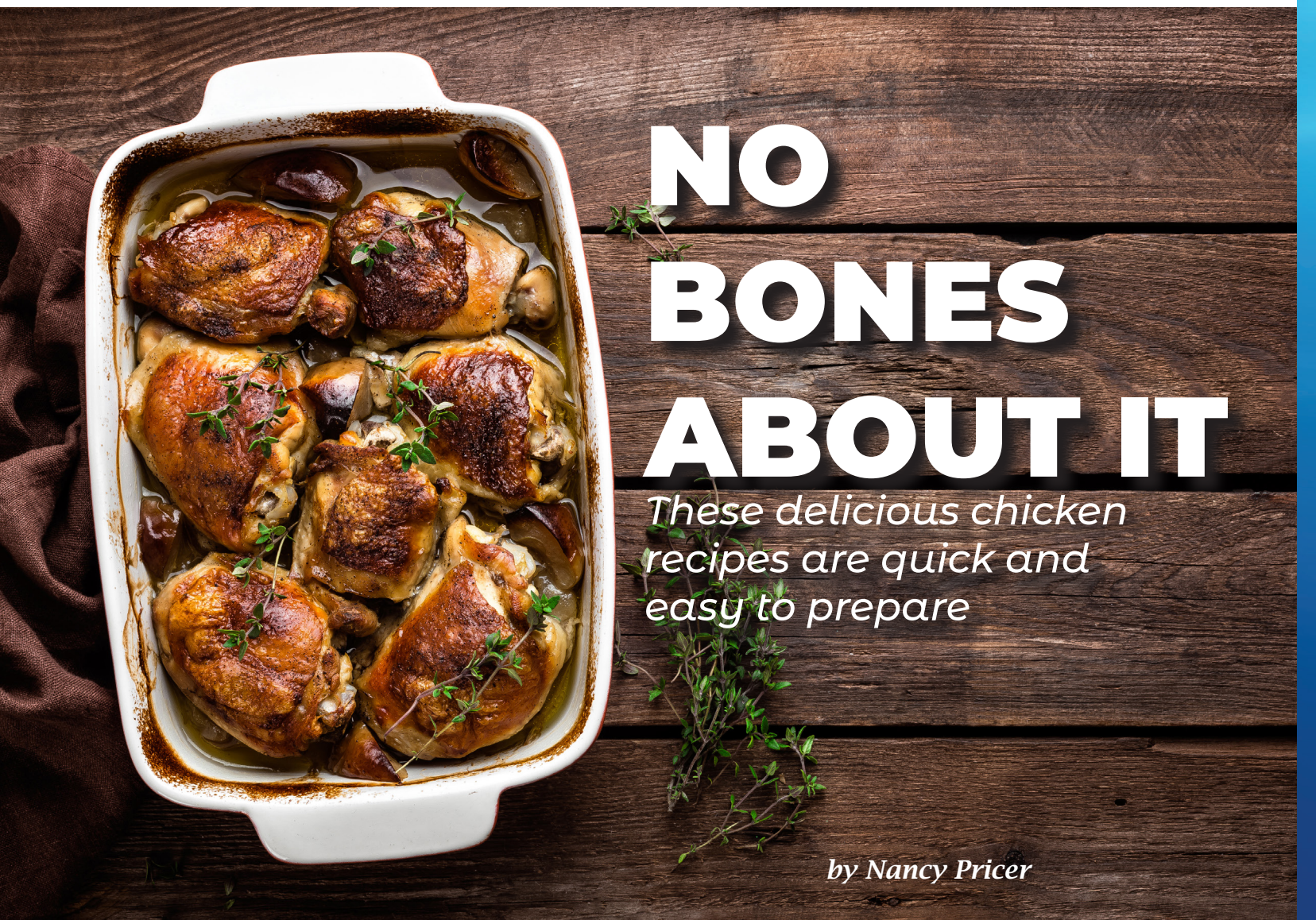

NO BONES ABOUT IT

These delicious chicken recipes are quick and easy to prepare

by Nancy Pricer

Chicken thighs are my favorite part of a chicken. They are flavorful and are less likely to dry out compared to chicken breasts and I love to cook with boneless, skinless thighs.

Two recipes have been hanging out in my recipe box for years that quick and easy to throw together— Honey Mustard Chicken with Roasted Potatoes and Chicken Alambre.

The Honey-Mustard Chicken with Roasted New Potatoes is a no fuss meal. You just can't go wrong with the winning combination of honey mustard and chicken. Plus, the red potatoes soak up the flavored juices from the chicken giving them a heavenly flavor.

The first time I made Chicken Alambre, I was blown away by the flavor combination of the chicken and Mexican chorizo. The freshness of the avocado, cilantro and lime balance out the spiciness of the chorizo. This dish comes together quickly.

HONEY-MUSTARD CHICKEN WITH ROASTED NEW POTATOES

- **4 boneless, skinless chicken thighs**
- **½ teaspoon salt, divided**
- **Freshly ground black pepper**
- **¼ cup Dijon mustard**
- **2 tablespoons honey**
- **1 minced shallot (can substitute with 2-3 tablespoons onion)**
- **1 tablespoon minced fresh thyme leaves or ½ teaspoon dried**
- **1 pound small red potatoes, cut into halves**
- **Cooking spray**

Preheat oven to 375. Sprinkle chicken with ¼ teaspoon salt and pepper. Place in a 9x13-inch baking dish.

Combine mustard, honey, shallot and thyme in a small bowl to form a paste. Spread over chicken, covering completely.

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CHICKEN ALAMBRE

- **1 tablespoon vegetable oil (I don't use since I use a nonstick skillet)**
- **6 ounces 1/3-inch-diced slab bacon (or 6-8 slices of bacon, chopped)**
- **12 ounces fresh Mexican chorizo, casings removed and meat crumbled**
- **12 ounces skinless boneless chicken thighs (about 4 thighs), cut into strips**
- **2 red bell peppers, cut into strips**
- **1 large red onion, thinly sliced**
- **8 ounces Oaxaca cheese or mozzarella cheese, shredded**
- **Flour tortillas (or corn)**
- **Avocado**
- **Fresh cilantro**
- **Salsa**
- **Lime wedges**

Heat large skillet on high. Add oil if using. Add the bacon and chorizo and cook over high heat, stirring, until browned in spots, about 5 minutes.

Add the chicken and cook, stirring, until cooked through.

Add the peppers and onion and cook until softened.

Scatter the cheese on top and stir until it just starts to melt. Serve with tortillas, avocado, fresh cilantro, salsa and lime wedges.

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In September, we will be helping with the Labor Day celebration and street dance. Our very own Jimmie De La Garza will be providing DJ music in the pool area during the day. The street dance music will be provided by Kristen Noelani Major and they will be on stage from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m. Come out and enjoy the music and fun. Of course, Chef Jordan will have food and drinks available as well. See you there!

Don't forget to sign up for Bingo on Sept. 12. That is always a fun activity with our wonderful Bingo caller, Monty Lewis.

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Pecan Plantation Country Club
For the Eight Months Ending June 2023

CONSOLIDATED OPERATING STATEMENT

	Actual YTD	Budget	Variance
Operating Revenues	$ 6,789,788	$ 6,749,046	$ 40,742
Cost of Goods Sold	$ (994,396)	$ (972,575)	$ (21,821)
Gross Operating Profit	$ 5,795,392	$ 5,776,471	$ 18,921
Labor, Taxes & Benefits	$ (3,621,948)	$ (3,737,505)	$ 115,557
Other Operating Expenses	$ (1,971,631)	$ (1,977,613)	$ 5,982
Net Operating Income/(Loss) Before Depreciation	**$ 201,813**	**$ 61,353**	**$ 140,460**

RESERVE & REPLACEMENT FUND

	Actual YTD	Year End Forecast
Beginning Balance	$ 3,137,880	$ 3,137,880
Fund Deposits	$ 820,973	$ 1,233,159
Fund Expenditures	$ (632,499)	$ (2,758,664)
Ending Balance	**$ 3,326,354**	**$ 1,612,375**

NEW CAPITAL FUND

	Actual YTD	Year End Forecast
Beginning Balance	$ 207,162	$ 207,162
Fund Deposits	$ 801,050	$ 981,680
Fund Expenditures	$ (53,630)	$ (61,894)
Ending Balance	**$ 954,582**	**$ 1,126,948**

ROAD & DRAINAGE FUND

	Actual YTD	Year End Forecast
Beginning Balance	$ 1,347,968	$ 1,347,968
Fund Deposits	$ 1,154,551	$ 1,736,167
Fund Expenditures	$ -	$ (2,295,583)
Ending Balance	**$ 2,502,519**	**$ 788,552**

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.

ART GUILD
Sept. 29 Gallery of Homes from 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Sept. 28 In the Ballroom at 6 p.m.

BRAZOS RIVER SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Contact Cecil Caldwell, ccald67@gmail.com
Sept. 14 Meeting (TBD)

BREAKFAST CLUB
Contact Ron Liddell, ronlidell@gmail.com.
Meeting, Clubhouse Terrace Room, 9 a.m.
Sept. 13 Rick Lantgen
Sept. 27 Martha Headrick, Air Evac Lifeteam

GENEOLOGY
Contact Kay, 682-459-5718
Sept. 19 Show & Tell, 10 a.m. EMS Training Room

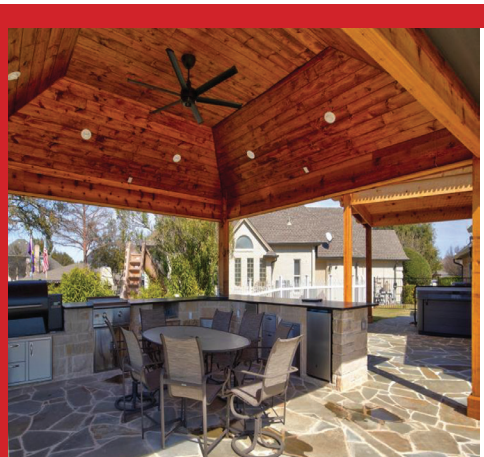
PECAN PLANTATION FLY-IN AND CAR SHOW
Sept. 23 Pecan Plantation Air Strip 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

PECAN PLANTATION WOMAN'S CLUB
Contact Sandy Hoelting, sandyh9911@gmail.com
Sept. 21 Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Clubhouse ballroom

RV CLUB
Contact David Kroon, dk1341@swbell.net
Sept. 17-20 Fall Mini-Rally, Shady Campground

VFD AUXILIARY
Contact Lana Robinson, robinsonsgranbury@yahoo.com.
Sept. 30 Fall Bazaar, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Activity Center

WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS GROUP
Contact Caryl Mahaffey, caryl.mahaffey@charter.net.
Sept. 26 Meeting in the Terrace Room



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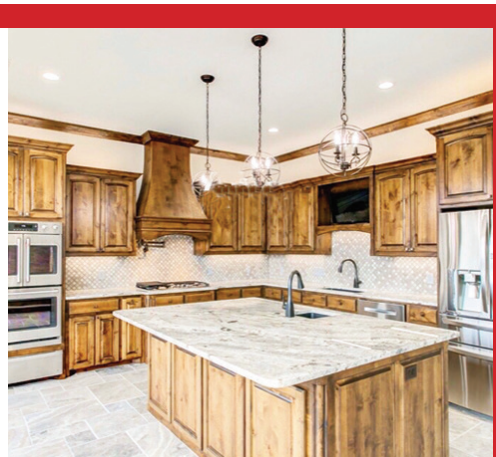

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Sept. 4 – Labor Day Street Dance

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

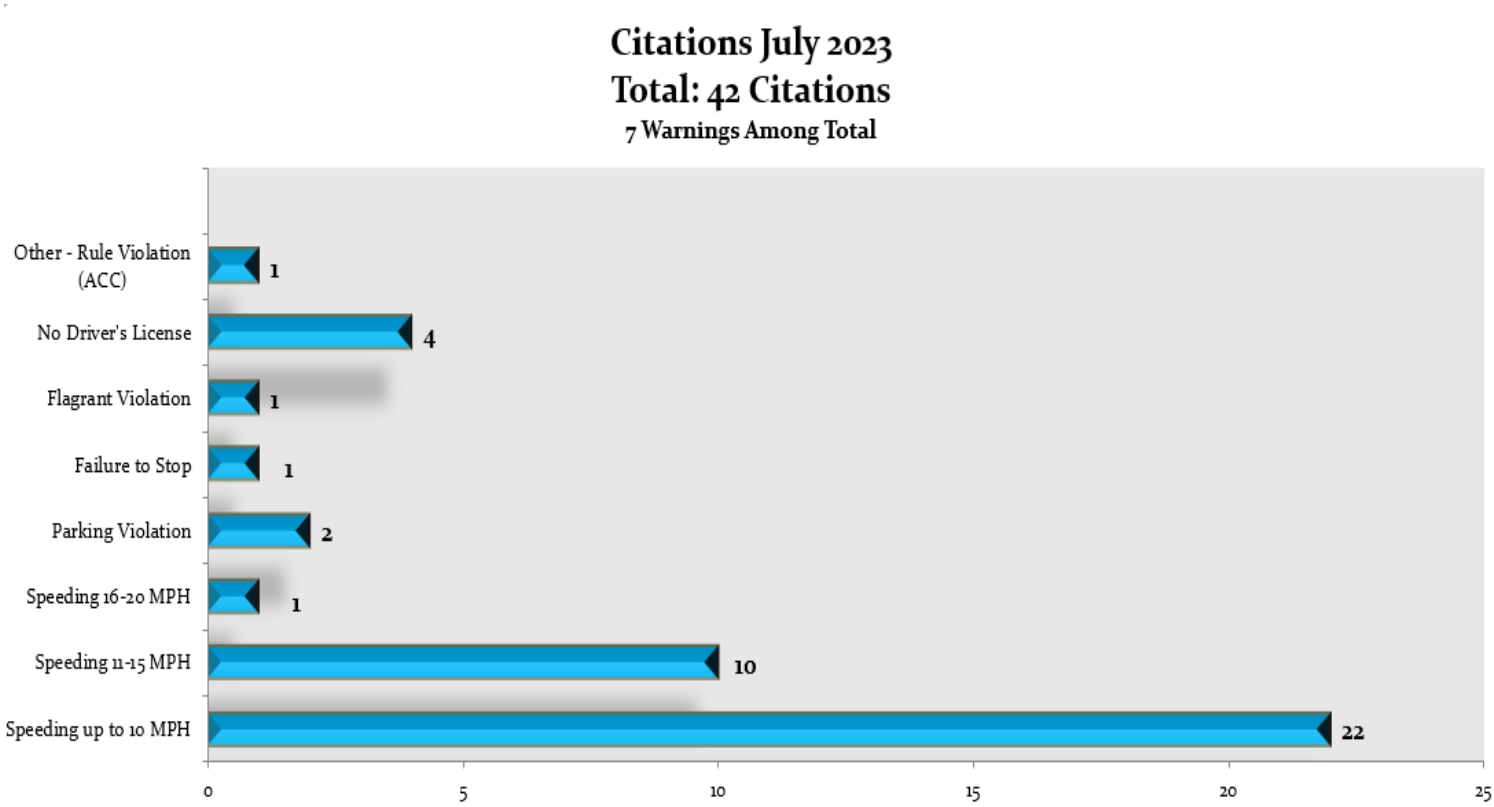
Oct. 24 – Halloween Buffet & Bingo

Nov. 14 – Southern Night Buffet & Bingo

Dec. 5 – Home Cookin' Buffet & Bingo

SECURITY ACTIVITY

JULY 2023



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Speeding up to 10 MPH	22
Speeding 11-15 MPH	10
Speeding 16-20 MPH	1
Parking Violation	2
Failure to Stop	1
Flagrant Violation	1
No Driver's License	4
Other - Rule Violation (ACC)	1

Areas of Citations Issued

King Air - 1
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Plantation - 16
Pleasant Hill - 1
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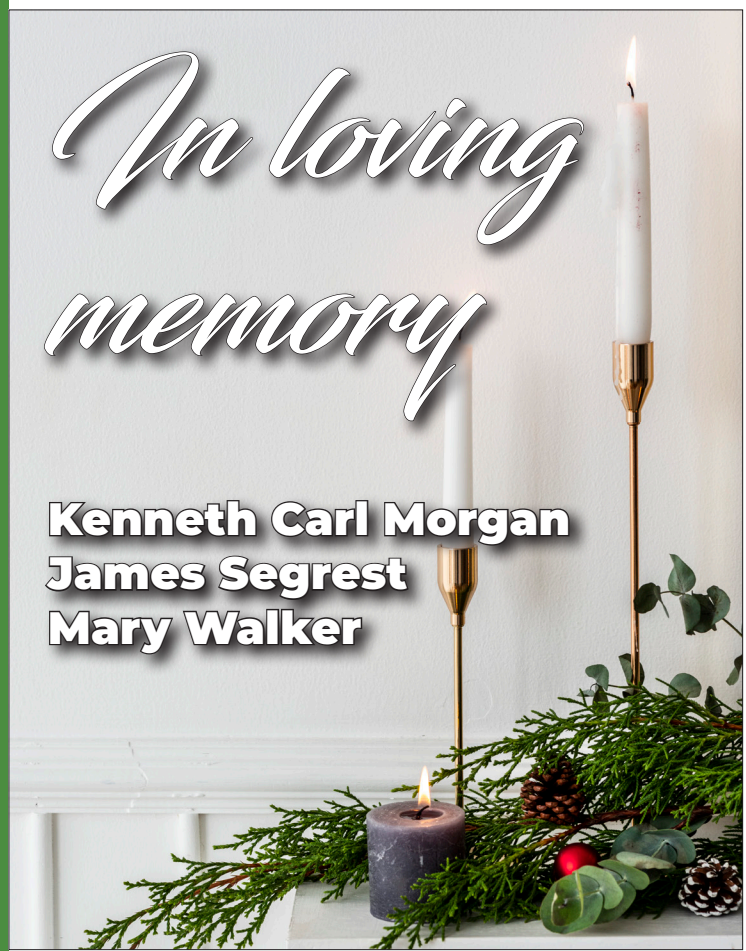

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1

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- LAST SATURDAY of each month from 8 a.m. to noon. Bring recyclable items, branches and bulk trash.
- WEDNESDAYS from 4 to 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.

2

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

3

Hood County Citizens Collection Station is located at 244 Bray St. Call 817-579-3288 for hours and information. This location does accept glass, aluminum and metal cans, cardboard, paper and most plastics. Follow the QR code for a detailed list and instructions on what and how to recycle.

Acceptable Recycling Items

ITEMS TO BE RECYCLED	YES	NO	HOW
METAL	Aluminum, tin food & beverage cans, up to 1 gallon in size; 3 gallon #10 cans such as coffee containers	Any other metal containers including aerosol cans containing hazardous chemicals, paints, cleaning fluids, poisons, no scrap metal	Rinse empty containers & place in cart; can lids ok, in can labels ok.
Newspaper, catalogs, magazine, junk mail, shredded paper	Clean, dry newspaper & inserts, magazines & catalogs, junk mail, computer paper, stationary, bills, shredded paper, envelopes with windows, NOTE: must be less than 2 months old or goes in the trash	All other paper including soiled paper, telephone books, non-paper bags such as plastic or Tyvek, overnight delivery envelopes, bubble wrap, books of any kind, greeting cards, gift wrap & product samples.	Place in brown paper grocery bags or cardboard & place on top of other materials. NO PLASTIC BAGS.
Plastic	Small & wide mouth containers up to 1 gallon marked on the bottom with a "1" or "2".	Containers with other numbers or no numbers; containers larger than three gallon; plastic bags, motor oil & anti-freeze containers...even if marked with a "1" or "2".	Make sure containers have a "1" or "2" on the bottom; remove cap or lid; labels okay; rinse & place in cart.
Boxboard	Cereal, cracker, shoe boxes, shirt boxes, beverage cartons & six-pack cartons	Boxboard containing wax, plastic or foil; or contaminated with food	Remove plastic cereal bag, flatten boxes, place in polly cart
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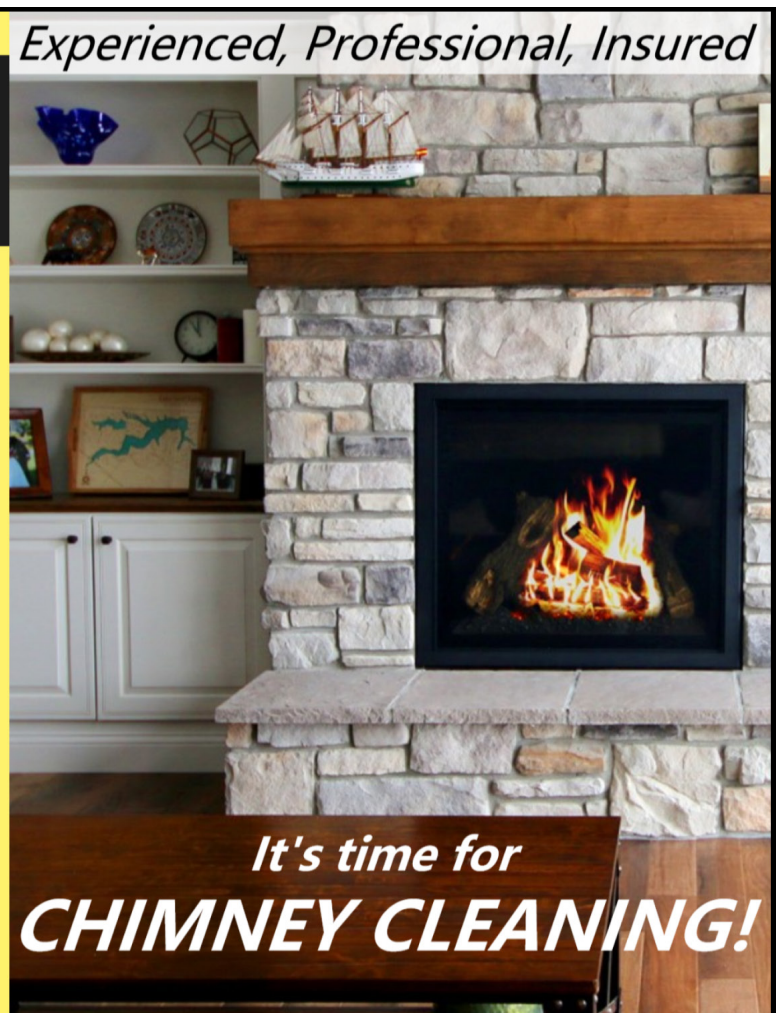

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