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First Methodist hosts Community Thanksgiving

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AZLE — Azleites don't have to eat alone on Thanksgiving.

In a continuing tradition, the First Methodist Church of Azle will open its doors to everyone for a community meal Nov. 28. Volunteers at 200 Church St. will prepare 650 meals consisting

of turkey, ham, dressing, mashed potatoes and other Thanksgiving staples for an 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. lunch.

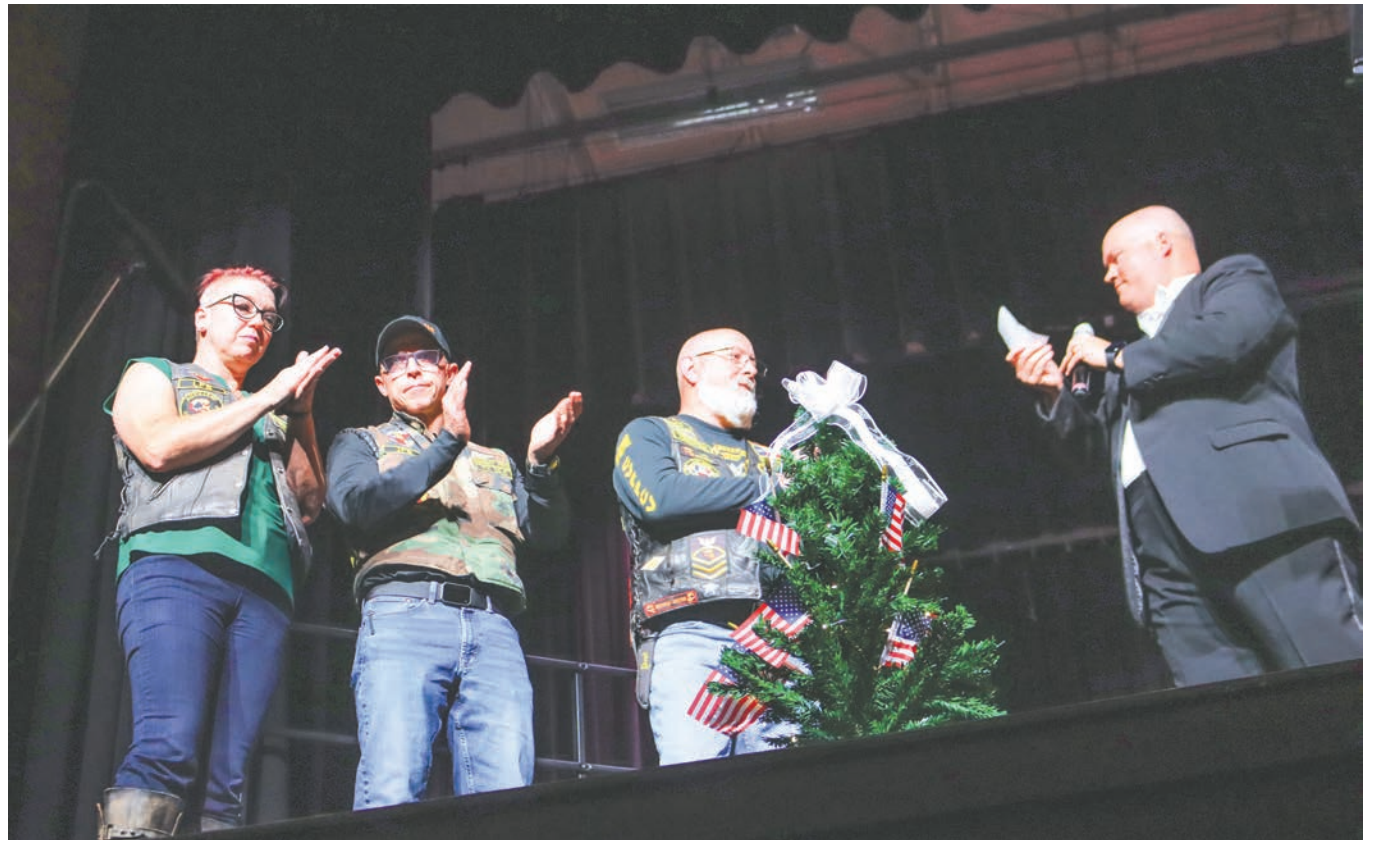
According to organizer Deanna Keen and former organizer Ken Leemon, Community Thanksgivings began at the church in 2017. Along with the shared meal, the church expects

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FILE PHOTO

In this file photo from 2018, First Methodist volunteers prepared 650 meals for the community.



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CVMA members receive a \$1,600 check from Greg Davis, AHS band director.

AHS bands together for veterans

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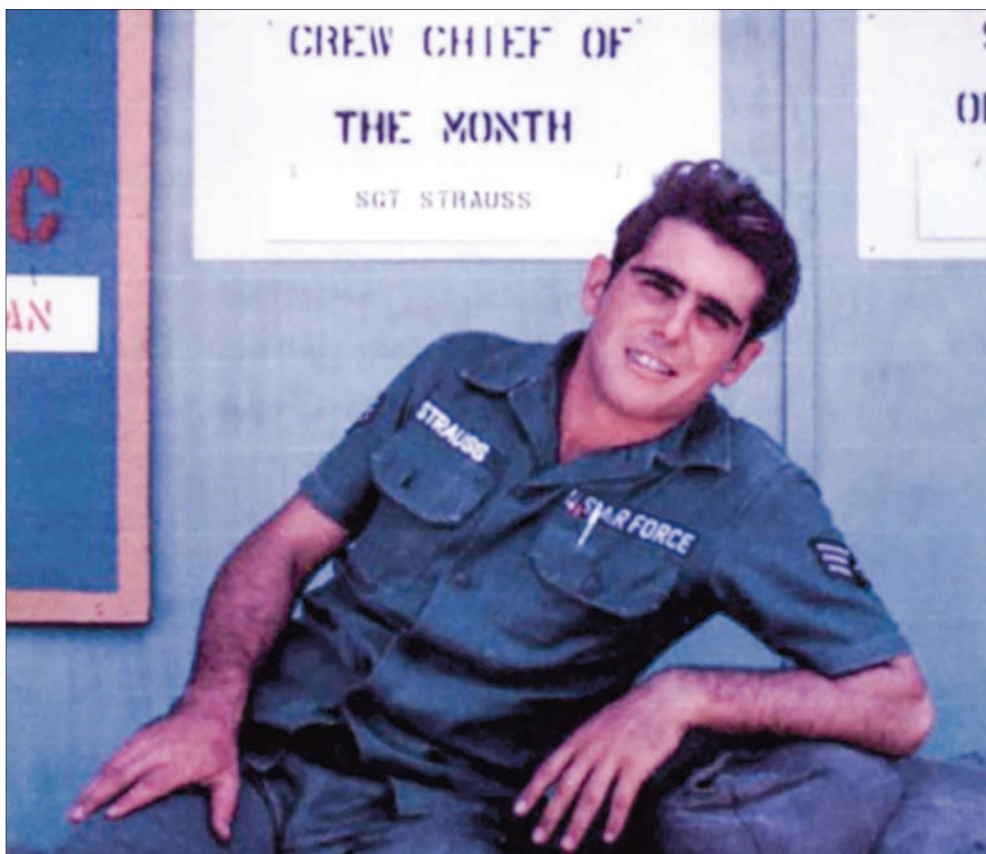
AZLE — A benefit concert was held at Azle High School the evening of Veterans Day, Nov. 11. The Azle High School Wind Ensemble was

joined by the school choir in patriotic tunes such as "The Star-Spangled Banner," "The Liberty Bell March," "Hymn to the Fallen," "America the Beautiful" and "Armed Forces, The Pride of America." The concert was

held in the school auditorium in collaboration with the AHS Band Booster Club. Funds raised for the concert were donated to the Fort Worth chapter of the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association. Azle ISD

Assistant Superintendent of Finance Matt Adams also spoke and introduced each branch of the armed forces in the final song, "Armed Forces, The Pride of

PLEASE SEE **BAND** | A4



COURTESY PHOTO

Alan Strauss served as an aircraft mechanic in the Vietnam conflict.

Vietnam veteran talks life post service and the treatment of veterans

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SPRINGTOWN — Alan Strauss, is a Vietnam war veteran who served in the U.S. Air Force. Alan shares his personal journey from his early life in Greendale, Wisconsin, through his military service and his life post-service.

Strauss was born and raised in Wisconsin, spending most of his childhood there until he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1964. He joined the Air Force as a way to secure a job and avoid being drafted into other branches of the military.

Coming from a family who served in the military, Strauss followed the

footsteps of his two older brothers. After completing six months of tech school at Shepherd Air Force Base in Wichita Falls, he was stationed at Warner Robins Air Force Base in Georgia, where he worked on C-124 aircraft as an aircraft mechanic. In 1966, Strauss was deployed

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Former LWPD commander indicted

Aggravated assault, tampering alleged

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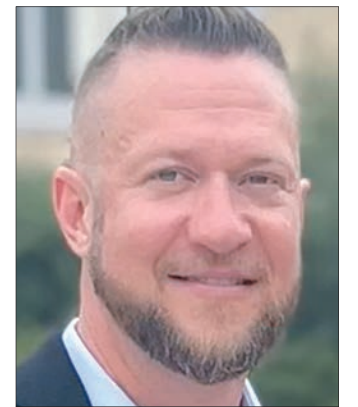
LAKE WORTH — Former Lake Worth Police Commander Landon Rollins, 44, has been arrested and indicted on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and tampering with a government document.

On Tuesday, Nov. 12, Rollins turned himself in to the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office after a grand jury indicted him on one count of

aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and one count of tampering with a government record.

According to the indictment, on May 14, 2024, Rollins allegedly hit Tyler McKinney with a radio, or a hard object. Then, Rollins allegedly gave false testimony about what happened in an incident report, claiming McKinney hit his head on the concrete.

PLEASE SEE **ROLLINS** | A6 **Landon Rollins**



Jury sentences Azle man to 55 years for child sexual abuse

STAFF REPORT

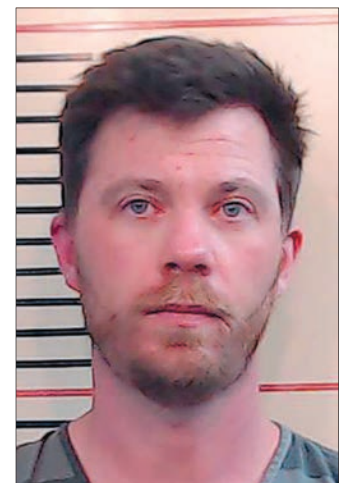
AZLE — A Parker County jury convicted a 38-year-old Azle man of repeatedly molesting a young girl over a six-year period and sentenced him to 55 years in prison in a trial that concluded in district court in Weatherford on Friday.

Dustin Michael Tidbeaux was convicted of continuous sexual abuse of a minor under the age of 14 after jurors heard graphic testimony from the victim, a Parker County Sheriff's Office investigator, and a forensic interview from the Children's

Advocacy Center of Parker County. Under Texas law, the sentence jurors returned later in the day Friday will be served without the possibility of parole, according to Parker County District Attorney Jeff Swain.

"The victim described for the jury in heart-rending detail the horrible abuse she suffered at the hands of this defendant," Swain said. "Her courage allowed our community to put a dangerous offender behind bars where he cannot harm any other young

PLEASE SEE **TIDBEAUX** | A10 **Dustin Michael Tidbeaux**



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It's a Nutcracker Christmas!

Annual Christmas on Main Street due Dec. 7

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Love Christmas? Have kids? You won't want to miss Christmas on Main Street in Azle, so mark your calendar now for noon to 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7!

Sponsored by the Optimist Club of Azle, the Azle Area Chamber of Commerce, the Azle Lions Club and the Tri-County Reporter, this year's theme is "Nutcracker Christmas."

Vendors will line W. Main Street from noon to 5 p.m. providing great opportunities to shop for all the things you can't find in stores. The Azle Lions Club's Christmas Car Show takes place at City Hall, 505 W. Main St., from 10

a.m.-3 p.m.

From 2-5 p.m., bring the kids to 404 Main Place for a Children's Christmas Event like no other. There will be activities for the kids, and they can register for bicycle giveaways, and get a chance to see Santa! Plus, ornaments, candy canes, coloring books and reindeer food will be available to take home.

Prizes will be awarded for the best-decorated businesses in the following categories: most Christmas spirit; best theme "Nutcracker Christmas;" most creative; best light display; and best overall. Chamber members may also provide decorated Christmas trees at 404 Main Place. After the winners of the tree-decorating contest

are announced, proceeds from a silent auction will benefit the children's Christmas activities for 2025.

Two different tree lighting ceremonies set the stage for the Annual Christmas Parade. The City of Azle's tree, located on the plaza at City Hall, will be lit in a ceremony at 5:30 p.m. Folks will have the opportunity to walk to the Azle Historical Museum at 124 W. Main St. for the lighting of the traditional tree there at 6:30 p.m.

The finale of the evening will be the lighted Christmas Parade beginning at 6:30 p.m. The parade will travel W. Main Street beginning at Church Street and ending at Industrial Avenue. Trophies will be awarded for best



Azle ISD's entry in last year's Annual Christmas Parade.

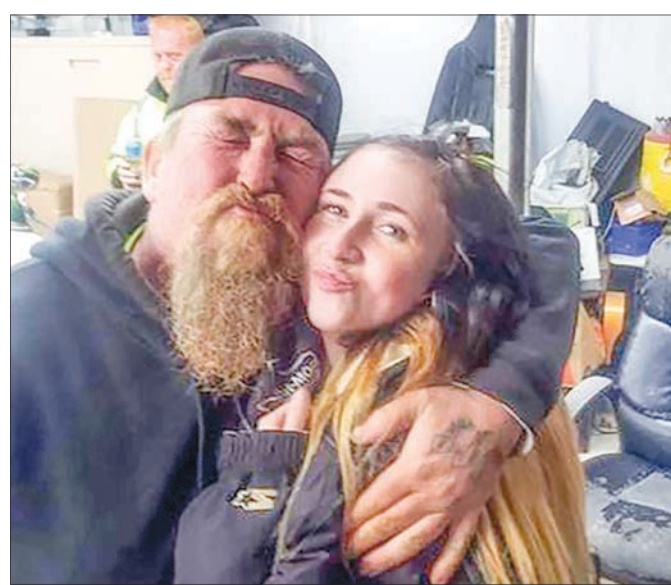
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theme, best lighted display and most Christmas spirit. Parade entry forms may be obtained at the chamber of office at 404 Main Place, by calling 817-444-1112 or by email

at promote@azlechamber.com.

So make it a date for Dec. 7! Do some Christmas shopping, bring the kids to enjoy fun Christmas activities, may-

be even win a bike, sing carols, help light Azle's official Christmas trees and have a very, merry Christmas!



COURTESY PHOTO

Wayne and Stephanie Bradford in a photo posted to Facebook.

Motorcyclist killed in Azle crash

STAFF REPORT

AZLE — A 49-year-old Azle man died Sunday morning following a Saturday evening crash in the 1200 block of Southeast Parkway.

The Azle Police and Fire Departments were dispatched to the scene near Skylark Drive around 5:30 p.m. Saturday, according to police scanner chatter.

Upon arriving at the scene, officers located a motorcycle and a vehicle involved in the crash and provided aid to an unconscious male with significant injuries. Based on a preliminary investigation

disclosed in an APD press release, a Chevrolet Malibu occupied by one adult male was traveling westbound on Southeast Parkway when the vehicle collided with a motorcycle, striking it from behind. The driver of the motorcycle was transported to Harris Methodist Hospital Fort Worth via CareFlite air ambulance. Despite the efforts of EMS and hospital staff, the motorcyclist succumbed to injuries he sustained during the collision. According to the Tarrant County Medical Examiner, he died Sunday morning. The deceased has

been identified as Wayne Bradford of Azle.

Stephanie Bradford, the rider's wife, arrived on the scene shortly after the accident and reported what had occurred to Facebook.

"My husband was NOT coming out of Lynn's (Saloon), no he was not speeding or driving recklessly," Stephanie Bradford's post says. "We have lived here for 23 yrs and have made MANY MANY friends." She expressed her gratitude to police, firefighters, friends and even strangers who helped out at the scene, prayed and

showed concern.

The driver of the Chevrolet Malibu stayed on scene and was cooperative throughout the investigation. No arrests were made on the night of the accident. This incident is currently under investigation by the Azle Police Department with assistance from the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office Accident Investigation Team.

The westbound lanes of Southeast Parkway were closed for the accident investigation and reopened around 11 p.m. Saturday.

Nutcracker

CHRISTMAS

Saturday, December 7th

Noon - 5:00 PM

The Optimist Club, Azle Area Chamber of Commerce, the Lions Club, and the Tri-County Reporter invite you, your friends and family to join us for a wonderful community Christmas celebration.

2024 theme: "Nutcracker Christmas"

- Azle Christmas on Main Vendor Show**
W. Main Street • 12 - 5 PM
Vendor booths will be open for holiday shopping. Help us support local businesses this season.
- Azle Lions Club Christmas Car Show**
Azle City Hall, 505 W. Main • 10 am - 3 pm
- Children's Christmas Event at 404**
404 W. Main Street • 2 - 5 pm

Brought to you by the Azle Optimist Club, the Tri-County Reporter, and the Azle Area Chamber of Commerce, this event will include activities for the children of Azle. Register for bike giveaways, and get a chance to see Santa. There will also be ornaments, candy canes, coloring books, and reindeer food to take home.

Two Different Christmas Tree Lightings
Azle Historical Museum • 124 W. Main Street • 6:30 PM
Azle City Hall • 505 W. Main Street • 5:30 pm

Main Street Business Decorating Categories :
Most Christmas Spirit • Best Theme "Nutcracker Christmas"
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Silent auction for decorated Christmas trees provided by Chamber members inside 404 Main Place. Proceeds benefiting 2025 Children's Activities.

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A surprise sight takes me down memory lane

This past week I was driving along when I saw something I had not witnessed in some time. No, I am not talking about witnessing someone obeying the speed limit, though granted that would indeed be an unusual sighting. This occurrence was even more rare. Just as I came around a turn, there it was up ahead of me, cruising down the thoroughfare like a giant steam ship crossing the Atlantic. It was an authentic early 1970s model station wagon. It was a Ford Country Squire.

My mind immediately raced backward to the days of my youth when a station wagon was a common sight and the vehicle many parents utilized as their “war wagon.” It could transport Dad to work and



FROM MY FRONT PORCH

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with its faux wood paneling, look good doing it. It would haul all the groceries Mom could cook in a week, take the neighborhood boys (including the equipment) to baseball practice, and then the folks could use it to go out on Saturday night. It was the be-all, do-all form of transportation and was immensely popular with American families.

I remember riding in our station wagon, and all the possible seating arrangements that were available. We

young boys commonly sat in the very back, facing backward, looking at the world disappear behind us. Station wagons were so wide and they provided much more room for the passengers than a sedan. The extra space prevented my sister and I from having to sit next to each other and complain to our mom that we were “touching” or that one of us had violated the “space” of the other.

At the time, pickups were not something urban dwell-

ers drove; they were utilitarian instruments for workmen and farmers. The station wagon provided the space to haul all the kids in one car and to sit comfortably while doing it. It allowed us to pick up bigger items from the hardware store, and to pack everything strapped down to the rooftop for a weeklong vacation. They were cool, they were comfortable, and they were powerful. And goodness, they were wide and long!

After about the age of 12, station wagons were no longer cool to me. They were a “parents” car, not something built low to the ground, sleek and cool like a Mustang, Camaro or a Chevelle. With each passing year, it would seem the station wagon became less and less a hot prop-

erty for the younger generation and its luster began to diminish.

With the coming of the oil embargo in ‘73 and the restrictions the government legislated on engine emissions, the automobile world was forced to change. The handwriting was on the wall, effectively ending the age of huge and powerful auto engines and the station wagon began its descent to nonrelevance. Today, no such thing as a station wagon exists, having been replaced by the SUV, the crossover and the pickup

But last week, for just a moment, it sure felt nice to see that old station wagon. The one I saw looked to be in good shape and running like a top. It made me smile thinking of the many miles I had

been transported in a similar way so many years ago. It called me back to my youth and a simpler time. I flashed back to trips with friends and family vacations; a time when there were no iPads or video games to occupy our time. I recalled the kids’ games we played in the very back cargo area as we drove down the road, and the rear door which would open both horizontally or vertically when we got ready to get out. Maybe it wasn’t a better time or maybe it was; either way, it was a part of a lot of people’s lives.

Thought for the day: The best things in life are the people you love, the places you go, and the memories you make.

Until next time...I will keep ridin’ the storm out!

Mostly miscellany ...

Here comes another “Mother Hubbard” column.

That’s how preachers sometimes describe their sermons — comparable to “Mother Hubbard” dresses.

They cover everything but touch nothing ...

Why are we not surprised? Researchers claim that many companies are taking advantage of the inflationary climate.

Their deception is called “shrinkflation.”

Some devious practices are “double-whammies,” with prices going up and product size going down ...

An egregious example is found on candy aisles, where Reese’s Peanut Butter Cup miniatures tempt many. They’re even “more miniature” now and cost more; prices have skyrocketed 68%



THE IDLE AMERICAN

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in five years.

Admittedly, higher prices abound on the other aisles, too.

Manufacturers of paper products have tricked us, too. Most eyes cross when customers try to figure the real cost for rolls of towels and bathroom tissue. “Squeezing the Charmin” may soon be a punishable offense ...

A political academician used the color wheel describing the recent election, generally resulting in a “deeper shade of red.”

This is similar to an old Oklahoma State University ad that jabbed the University of Texas, known for its “burnt orange” school color. The ad claimed OSU’s to be “a brighter shade of orange.” ...

Former Texas A&M Coach R. C. Slocum — an all-time great — turned 80 Nov. 7. The winningest coach in the history of both Texas A&M University and the old Southwest Conference was flooded with hundreds of birthday wishes.

This coaching legend “bleeds maroon.”

But he was born in Orange, Texas. I doubt that the shade was burnt ...

We’re used to athletic teams having “official” connections with specific companies, as if their endorsements mean anything.

Here lately, though, the hair on the back of my neck stiffens when I see the ad claiming Southwest Airlines to be the “official airline of the Southeastern Conference.” It reminds me of the gutted Southwest Conference, its death knell sounding when Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma and Texas A&M bolted for the Southeastern Conference. I don’t think the SWC had an “official” airline. An “official” bus line? Maybe. Several of the schools were located too close to each other to justify flights. Oh, well, if regional rivalries are ever needed again, the TV/NCAA moguls will tell us.

Come Nov. 30, Texas and Texas A&M renew a football

rivalry that never should have ended. They’ll hook up in College Station. It won’t be on Thanksgiving like yesteryear, when kick-off starting times of the teams’ nationally-televized games dictated turkey-carving time ...

I rarely eat pie, mostly for caloric reasons, but a sad memory surfaces when I do.

For many years, I ate desserts with abandon. One Thanksgiving, finding the pecan pie to be exceptional, I slipped into the kitchen to scarf down the remaining sliver of pie. Using the spatula-like thingy that looked like a mortar trowel, I stuffed the shiny object into my mouth, licking it clean before returning to the dining room.

There, I was questioned about blood running down my chin. I was “found out,” clueless that pie servers are serrated ...

It was Sunday lunchtime when Southlake’s Philip Odette ordered “take-out”

food for his family. “Be right back,” he assured.

Before arrival at the restaurant, however, he noticed a “FOR SALE” sign on a ritzy home he’d always admired, and two more equally bold words — OPEN HOUSE — were too much. He stopped, entered the open front door and moved about freely, the aroma of candles luring him from room to room. How fortunate, he thought, to be the only one touring the home. Then, immediate mortification set in. He was standing in the doorway of the master bathroom, discovering a woman — amply covered in a large bath towel — applying eye make-up.

Saying nothing, he ran from the premises, floor-boarded his car and glanced once more at the sign. In small type under the large, bold letters — proclaiming “FOR SALE/OPEN HOUSE” — the sign read: “2-4 p.m.” It was 12:30 at the time ...

The end of Camelot from a 4-year-old’s perspective

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Ah, Camelot. The love story of Queen Guenevere and Sir Lancelot captured the hearts of romantics for centuries. It was reborn in the early 1960s to represent the era of the John F. Kennedy administration, capturing the hearts of the entire world.

It wasn’t supposed to end the way it did. For more than 60 years now, the death of President Kennedy has been shrouded in mystery, secrecy and conspiracy theories. It’s time for the U.S. government to provide answers — oh, I know they released a bunch of files, but I’m talking about real answers.

Mama Bea was in the kitchen, listening to the legendary AM radio station WBAP on a radio that sat high on its own shelf on the wall, as she prepared lunch. Papaw Joe was in the only bathroom in the house, getting ready for his evening shift at the U.S. Post Office in downtown Fort Worth.

My sister Darla — my “Irish twin,” born just eight days before my first birthday — and I had just settled, side-by-side, into Papaw’s big, overstuffed recliner in front of the tiny black-and-white television in his den. We had turned 4 years old and 3 years old, respectively, in September.

It was time for Cartoon Carnival. That would keep us out of Mama Bea’s hair while she finished getting lunch



OVER THE RAINBOW

By Carla Noah Stutsman

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ready.

That day was just like any other day. I still remember the smells of the kitchen, where our grandmother cooked three meals each day, canned homegrown vegetables, and baked the most delicious dark brown bread I’ve ever eaten. How I wish I had that recipe, and that I’d learned from her how to can black-eyed peas — something I’ll not get to taste again this side of heaven.

I remember every detail of that kitchen: the pattern of the wallpaper, the curtains, the sliding glass doors on the upper cabinet that held the glass and dinnerware, the kitchen table and chairs, and the cut-glass lazy Susan that held salt, pepper, ketchup, vinegar, napkins, toothpicks and other items essential to meals.

The den was my favorite room in the house. Papaw’s desk, with all its nooks and crannies filled with everything one needed to run a proper office, was built into one wall. On the wall behind the little television were built-in bookcases, filled with books on every subject from nutrition to mathemat-

ics, to English, to politics, history and wars. A former teacher, principal and college professor, Papaw never lost his thirst for learning, and he freely shared his books and knowledge with me as I grew older. Ironically, he later boxed up many of those books to make room for newer books about something he studied for the rest of his life: the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

An aquarium filled with colorful fish kept us all entertained — including the cat. On the wall opposite the desk was a red couch where Mama Bea often napped while Papaw watched TV or read in his recliner.

Oh, the recliner! Papaw was a hard worker, dividing his time between his full-time job at the post office and maintaining his small farm. When he had time to relax, he wanted everything to be within easy reach. He installed shelves on the right side of the recliner that contained his prescription medicines, as well as over-the-counter things like aspirin, cold medicine, cough syrup, Q-Tips, Kleenex, pens, pencils — you name it. He engineered, built

and installed a book holder that swiveled on a pole attached to the floor so it could be swung away when not in use. This allowed him to open a book and place an elastic strap across the pages to keep it open until the page needed to be turned, and it kept the book at the best eye level for him, so it didn’t strain his neck to read. That recliner became the butt of many jokes as we kids became adults.

Cartoon Carnival had just started when suddenly, Mama Bea ran into the room, clearly agitated. Still wringing the dishwasher from her hands on her apron, she shrieked down the hallway “Joe! Joe! Come quick! They’ve shot Mr. Kennedy!”

She switched the TV to a different channel, to our dismay. There, a man I recognized as someone Papaw watched daily on the news came on, speaking in a very serious tone. What in the world? Darla and I waited, sure she would switch back to cartoons before long, but she never did.

Forever stamped into my memory, like the memories and aromas of the kitchen, the den and farmhouse where I grew up, is the memory of what happened next.

At the age of 4, I had never seen my grandfather in any state of undress — until that moment. He came running ... wearing a “wife-beater” undershirt, boxers and knee socks held up by garters,

shaving cream covering most of his face. He still held his razor in his hand.

That’s when Darla and I knew something was terribly, terribly wrong. Who was this Mr. Kennedy the news man, Mr. Cronkite, was talking about?

We watched in silent awe as our grandparents stood close to the little TV, hanging on every word. It seemed like an eternity, but looking back, it was probably less than an hour before Mr. Cronkite spoke the words that set the world to grieving: “From Dallas, Texas, the flash, apparently official: President Kennedy died at 1 p.m. Central Standard Time, 2:00 Eastern Time, some 38 minutes ago.”

Mama Bea and Papaw Joe held each other for a long time in front of that little TV; she wept unabashedly, crying out to God. He was silent for the time being, but I saw the tears rolling down his face.

It had all unfolded just 50 miles away, but the latest technology at the time allowed us to learn details on that tiny TV. To put that into perspective, 60 years later, the world recently watched on live TV as an assassination attempt was made against a former U.S. president and presidential candidate. Times have changed.

I have a few vague memories before that day, but that hour or so of my life is forever etched in my mind — the first memory I have that I can

associate with a day, date, time and location.

Over the years, Papaw accumulated and read numerous books related to the Kennedy family and, more specifically, the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. He encouraged me to read them as I grew older, and I did. I am fortunate to have several of his books now. I immersed myself into Camelot as a young adult and read everything I could get my hands on about the Kennedy family. While I differ with many of their political views, there is no doubt JFK and his younger brother Robert were a game-changing force in the culture of the 1960s — or that they were silenced because of it.

Sixty-one years later, I still rue that day. I wonder ... would my life have been any different — better or worse? — if it hadn’t happened. I wonder ... if the U.S. government will ever officially tell the world what happened that day. I have some opinions, but I’m certainly not in possession of all the facts.

I’m not alone in my memories. Millions of Americans also remember exactly where they were, what they were doing, when they heard the terrible news.

The American people deserve to know what really happened that awful day in Dallas.

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Operation Christmas Child drop-off at First Methodist Church

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AZLE — For the second year in a row, First Methodist Church will act as Azle's Operation Christmas Child drop-off location.

Starting Nov. 18, generous community members can drop off shoeboxes containing gifts and other supplies at the church 200 Church St. during designated times over an eight-day period. Shoeboxes will then be sorted and shipped by the nonprofit Samaritan's Purse and sent to children all over the world for Christmas.

To start, readers can print a label, found at www.samaritanstanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/pack-a-shoe-box/, for boys or girls with age categories ranging from 2 to 14. Samaritan's Purse asks that donors send school supplies, items such as toothbrushes and washcloths and one "wow" toy that might be exciting to children from the donor's selected category.

"They do have restrictions. There's no candy, there's no food, no toothpaste, no bar soap," FMC Serving Ministry Council Chair Deanna Keen said. "They don't allow war toys. They don't want scary toys. They don't want weapons, no food, things like that. So, if somebody puts in a toy soldier, we have to remove it, because some of these boxes go to war-torn areas and places like that, where the child has lived, where bombs have been going off and stuff. So, they don't want to send anything inappropriate."

Samaritan's Purse sends shoeboxes to more than 170 countries and territories located in the Balkans, Central Asia, Eastern Europe, Middle East, West Africa and other regions. Along with gifts, recipients of the program also receive a 12-lesson program about Jesus and his life and a Bible printed in their native language.

"The whole mission is to spread the gospel and the word through the shoeboxes and through the children," Keen said. "A lot of times, even in a local church, if you get a child to come to Vacation Bible School, and that child really likes the church, and the atmosphere in the church, they might convince mom and dad to take them back. Then they might actually get mom and dad to start coming to church. Then mom and dad might ask a friend, or maybe a sibling, you know, one of their siblings, or whatever, and before you know it, because one child went to VBS, you might have five, six, 10 people that have now joined the church and have become Christians themselves."

With the help of individual donors and other Azle area churches, the FMC collected more than 1,000 boxes last year. Along with providing gifts and gospel to children abroad, Keen said the program has offered a unique opportunity for her own grandchildren, and others across Azle, to practice generosity, appreciate what they have, and all the while have a blast by packing and picking



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Deanna Keen

out gifts.

"I was just really proud of my granddaughters, as young as they were, to not be selfish, like sometimes children can be," Keen said about bringing her grandchildren with her on a trip to select gifts from the store. "It was fun, just to see that, you know, those two little girls that were just excited about packing and when these other kids come in with the boxes and had done the same thing."

DESIGNATED DROP OFF TIMES FOR SHOEBOXES:

- Monday, Nov. 18: 6-8 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 19: 9-11 a.m.
- Wednesday, Nov. 20: 1-3 p.m.
- Thursday, Nov. 21: 6-8 p.m.
- Friday Nov. 22: 9-11 a.m.
- Saturday, Nov. 23: 9-11 a.m.
- Sunday, Nov. 24: 1-3 p.m.
- Monday, Nov. 25: 9-11 a.m.



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Aaron "Doc" Byers stands on the far right with two Azle members of CVMA Nov. 11.



United States military veterans stand in the audience when called for.

BAND

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America." Near the end of the concert, Davis presented representatives of the CVMA with a check for \$1,600.

Along with the expected fanfare, "Hymn to the Fallen" from the soundtrack of popular war movie "Saving Private Ryan" was chosen specifically by band director Greg Davis to honor soldiers who lost their lives in battle.

"The next piece this evening is special to me for a few reasons," Davis said. "I felt very strongly that, although

this is not a Memorial Day concert, I felt that it was very important that we recognize those who sacrificed so much, making the ultimate sacrifice for their country."

Aaron Byers, who goes by "Doc," was one of the CVMA members attending the concert. Byers was in the United States Navy for 24 years and retired at the rank of chief hospital corpsman.

"On behalf of the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association Fort Worth Chapter we greatly appreciate these kids (who) thought about us to donate to our organization helping vets,"

Byers said. "We use the money to help other veterans and within our own organization and also around the area of Texas, Fort Worth or anywhere. We help vets all over the world. We ride for vets that can't ride and that aren't with us anymore. So, doing this helps us out a lot. We come together all the time to ride. We do benefits, raise money, support other organizations. It's about a brother and sisterhood. For me personally, when I retired four years ago, I knew I needed to be around brothers and sisters."

LEGAL PUBLIC NOTICES

INVITATION TO BID NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the City of Azle, Texas (OWNER) will receive sealed Bids at Azle City Hall until 2:00 p.m. local time on Tuesday, November 26, 2024 for Cross Timbers Driving Range #2024-001. A non-mandatory Pre-Bid conference will be held at 10:00 a.m. on November 19, 2024, located at Cross Timbers Golf Course Pro Shop, 1181 S. Stewart Street, Azle, Texas 76020 Bids will be opened and read aloud publicly following the close of the Bid Period. Bidding Documents: Plans and specifications may be obtained from the office of Kemp Golf Course Design, Email trey@kempgolf.com or call (214)405-3483 for more information.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING- PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF CITY OF PELICAN BAY, TEXAS

PROPOSED VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY

Notice is hereby given that City of Pelican Bay, Texas proposes to institute annexation proceedings to enlarge and extend the boundary limits of said city to include the following described territory, to-wit: APPROXIMATELY 5.0 ACRES IN THE JACOB WILCOX SURVEY #54, ABSTRACT 1713, TRACT 1C3 AND 1F, LOCATED AT 149 RICHARD LANE AND LIBERTY SCHOOL ROAD A public hearing will be held by and before the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Pelican Bay, Texas on the 20th day of November 2024 at 7 o'clock in the City Council Chamber of the City Hall of the City of Pelican Bay, Texas, located at 1300 Pelican Circle, Pelican Bay, Texas. The purpose of the public hearing is to provide all interested persons the opportunity to be heard on the proposed annexation. The annexation will extend the City's boundaries to include the described territory, providing municipal services and regulations to the area. Maps and detailed information concerning the proposed annexation are available for public inspection at the City Hall, located at 1300 Pelican Circle, Pelican Bay, Texas 76020, during regular business hours. Written comments regarding the proposed annexation may be submitted to the City Secretary at 1300 Pelican Circle, Pelican Bay, Texas, prior to the hearing.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION CAUSE NO. 24P458

In the Matter of the Estate of Glenda Nell Darden Zachary, Glenda N. Zachary TO ALL UNKNOWN OR MISSING HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF GLE DA NELL DARDEN ZACHARY, DECEASED Clinton Heath Carlisle in the above-numbered and entitled estate filed an Application to Determine Heirship and for Independent Administration and Letters of Administration Pursuant to Section 401.003 of the Texas Estates Code on 11/15/2024 In the Estate of Glenda Nell Darden Zachary aka Glenda N. Zachary, Deceased, requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of Glenda Nell Darden Zachary aka Glenda N. Zachary, Deceased, and their respective shares and interest in such estate, and appointing Clinton Heath Carlisle to serve as the Independent Administrator of said estate and Determined Heirship. The court may act on said application at any call of the docket on or after 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of 10 days from the date of publication of this citation, at the Parker County Court, One Courthouse Square, Weatherford, TX 76086 in Parker County, Texas. All persons interested in this case are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Court by filing a written contest or answer to said Application before the above stated time and date should you desire to do so. To ensure its consideration, you or your attorney must file any contest, objection, intervention, or response in writing with the County Clerk of Parker County, Texas on or before the above noted date and time. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court of Parker County, TEXAS at the office of the Parker County Clerk, on this 15th day of November, 2024. LILA DEAKLE, County Clerk, Parker County Texas Applicant's Attorney: Jennifer S. Ruelas 1020 Fort Worth HWY STE 500 Weatherford TX 76086

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CITY OF LAKE WORTH

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL

ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION CHANGE REQUEST PLANNING & ZONING CASE #PZ-2024-20

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Lake Worth, Texas, will conduct the first of two public hearings at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at the Lake Worth City Council Chambers, 3805 Adam Grubb, Lake Worth, Texas 76135 to hear public comment and consider recommendations to the City Council regarding an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1169, the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance of the City of Lake Worth by changing the zoning district classification from "PC" Planned Commercial to "HC" Highway Corridor for approximately 1.205-acres of land described as Block 1, Lot 6R, Lake Worth Towne Crossing Addition and more commonly known as 6556 Lake Worth Blvd., Lake Worth, Texas and by amending the official Zoning Map to reflect such change. The City Council will conduct a second public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at the Lake Worth City Council Chambers, 3805 Adam Grubb, Lake Worth, Texas 76135 to hear public comment and consider an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1169, the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance of the City of Lake Worth by changing the zoning district classification from "PC" Planned Commercial to "HC" Highway Corridor for approximately 1.205-acres of land described as Block 1, Lot 6R, Lake Worth Towne Crossing Addition and more commonly known as 6556 Lake Worth Blvd., Lake Worth, Texas and by amending the official Zoning Map to reflect such change. All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

CITY OF LAKE WORTH

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL

SITE PLAN APPROVAL REQUEST PLANNING & ZONING CASE #PZ-2024-21

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Lake Worth, Texas, will conduct the first of two public hearings at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at the Lake Worth City Council Chambers, 3805 Adam Grubb, Lake Worth, Texas 76135 to hear public comment and consider recommendations to the City Council regarding a site plan for approximately 0.7589-acres of land described as Block 1, Lot 7, Lakeview Square Addition and more commonly known as 6042 Lake Worth Blvd., Lake Worth, Texas. The City Council will conduct a second public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at the Lake Worth City Council Chambers, 3805 Adam Grubb, Lake Worth, Texas 76135 to hear public comment and consider a site plan for approximately 0.7589-acres of land described as Block 1, Lot 7, Lakeview Square Addition and more commonly known as 6042 Lake Worth Blvd., Lake Worth, Texas.. All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

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Azle food pantry unveils new \$1.5 million freezer, cooler expansion with "Cocktails in the Cooler"

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AZLE — The Community Caring Center has been dishing out free meals to Azle families in need since 1990. In 2003, its current building was constructed on donated land at 317 Commerce St. At the start of 2025, the non-profit begins another chapter in its service.

The center's long-awaited, donor-funded 3,800-square-foot cooler and freezer expansion is expected to be operational and in use by January. The unit is assumed to be the largest of its kind in the Azle area. To celebrate construction coming to an end, the CCC held a sneak peek Nov. 12, allowing individuals to socialize, enjoy hors d'oeuvres and sip cocktails in the cooler.

Construction began on Veterans Day last year, Nov. 10, and is expected to be finished by the end of

the month with the facility operational and in-use by January. The completed area constitutes more than a 50% increase to the existing food pantry in square footage. By freeing up space and increasing storage capacity, planners aim to improve logistics and volunteer efficiency, ensuring better service to the rapidly growing Azle community amid increasing inflation and economic hardship.

"We're surviving," Assistant Director Bonnie Moninger said of increases in demand. "What used to be painful would be to have like 40 (families visit) in a day. It was like, 'oh my heavens. How are we going to do this?' Now our record is 160 in one day. In two-and-a-half hours we served 160 grocery carts."

The CCC experienced a 133% increase in the number of families utilizing its services between 2021 and 2023. Admins report there has been an additional 20% increase

in the number of families served this September — 7,234 individuals — compared with September 2023.

"The exact numbers just blow my mind every month," Curren McLane, CCC board chair, said. "We want to be able to serve people, but we have to be able to get the food to get to them, and so this way we can actually store things, especially in the freezer. We can have them on hand, rather than having to buy piecemeal. So, it's going to be a really good, big benefit to the community. I was really surprised, when I joined the board before this whole construction started, to learn the details of how a food pantry runs. It's so much more complicated than I think anyone ever realizes. It's a lot of moving pieces. So, this next stage will really help this organization thrive so it can serve our community better."

In addition to utilizing



Community members gather and mingle inside the massive new cooler space Nov. 12.



Kristie Cooper stands in front of the new cooler and freezer space Nov. 12.



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The adjoining freezer will be kept at minus 15 degrees Fahrenheit after a monthlong cooldown.



Right: The preexisting CCC cooler space.

the CCC, McLane, who also serves as the Azle Memorial Library's director, invites community members in need to sign up for benefits with the help of a Tarrant Area Food Bank representative at the library, 333 W. Main St., on the third Wednesday of each month. On Nov. 20 and Dec. 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. a representative will be available at the library to consult with those looking to register for Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). Those interested in utilizing this resource are asked to bring identification for all adults applying, proof of income, a rental or mortgage statement, utility bills, medical expenses for households with elderly or disabled family members and immigration status.

The center's current cooler and freezer spaces will be re-

moved from the warehouse, allowing for more space for pallets of dry goods, creating food assembly lines and overall aid in efficient operations. This expansion is the second part of a three-phase plan which began with the addition of the Porch Resale Shoppe in 2021. The center expects it will need to raise another \$1 million in funds to cover the remaining costs for future planned improvements. These upcoming projects include buying a cold-resistant forklift, installing automatic double doors, a car awning, widened driveways, fire suppression systems and other improvements for the building's office spaces and other areas.

"I would say at the most we could probably fit four to five pallets of food in our existing freezer," CCC Director Kristie Cooper said. "The new freezer, just the freezer side, can hold at least 120 on each side. We've gotten very good

at being fast to serve those increasing numbers. So, everything we're doing is just to make life easier for our volunteers and then for the people that come through the line."

The site's director said staff came up with the idea of hosting a cocktail party in order to give volunteers and donors the chance to get a good look at the facilities before the freezer begins its month-long cooling process.

"We couldn't be where we are without most of the people in that room," Cooper said. "It's hard to put that into words, but when you're standing inside that cooler, it's so amazing. We needed people to see that. A lot of people haven't been in here in a while. It's exciting; it's been a long process."

The CCC is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and Thursdays from 4 - 6:30 p.m.

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OBITUARIES

Lona Delores Bookout 1943-2024

Lona Delores Henderson Bookout passed away peacefully in her sleep Nov. 13, 2024, at the age of 81.

A celebration of life will be announced at a later date, where family and friends will gather to honor the vibrant life of a remarkable woman whose love, talents and spirit touched so many.

Born June 14, 1943, to J.E. and Lona Mae Henderson, Delores lived a life filled with love, talent and devotion to family.

Delores and her sister shared a unique bond, having married brothers, and spent their married lives as neighbors, often just a few steps or a short drive away. Delores' marriage to Wayne Bookout was filled with joy and shared passions. Together, they raised a beautiful daughter, Kim Sellman, who resides in Azle.

Delores' spirit was one of energy and talent. She was a highly skilled hair stylist with an extensive client base, including some local celebrities. Her creativity and dedication extended beyond the salon; she was an avid golfer, proudly serving as resident of The Ladies Golf Association at Par Country Club and winning the club championship multiple times. Her love for adventure led her to earn a private pilot license, embracing the freedom of flight. In later years, she channeled her artistic side into sculpting, creating beautiful pieces that filled her home and became cherished gifts to friends and family.

While Delores' talents were many, her greatest joy was her family, especially her daughter, Kim. The bond they shared was deep and unwavering, a connection that can only be understood by those who have been blessed with



such a profound relationship. Delores and Kim were inseparable, seeing each other nearly every day and sharing in every joy and sorrow. Kim has lost not only her mother but her best friend, her confidante, and the anchor of her life.

Delores was also a loving and proud grandmother. Her grandson, Tad, was a source of pride and light in her life, even helping to construct her home, which she considered a masterpiece. Her legacy continues in the hearts of her six great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild, whose lives she touched with her love and wisdom.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her beloved husband, Wayne; and her youngest grandson, Brent Sellman. Delores is also lovingly remembered by her sister, Darlene Bookout, who resides in DeLeon.

Delores is survived by her daughter, Kim Sellman; grandson, Tad Sellman, and his wife, Hazel; her sister, Darlene Bookout; her great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchild, and her extended family, including nephew, Jim Elliott and wife, Connie; nieces, Kim Allen and Joy Elliott; father of Tad, Bill Sellman.

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Cinda Ann Rhodes-Hopp 1948-2024

Cinda Ann Rhodes-Hopp of Azle was called home to be with our Lord Nov. 11, 2024, at the age of 76.

A funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 9, at Biggers Funeral Home, 6100 Azle Ave., Fort Worth, TX 76135. Please visit the website at www.biggersfh.com for additional information.

Cinda's story began as Cinda Ann Norem, born to Chester and Jean Norem April 17, 1948, in a small north-central Illinois community just west of Chicago known as Sandwich, Illinois. Moving to Lake Wales, Florida, she became active in choir while in high school, as music would become one of her many passions throughout her entire life. She graduated from Lake Wales High School in 1966 and pursued a nursing degree, graduating from Orange Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in 1970. She would later get her Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor license in the mid 1980s and become a manager/director of a clinic. She truly loved that position and loved helping people. She also made many long-lasting friendships with the people she worked with.

Becoming Cinda Ann Rhodes in 1969, she moved with her husband, Bill, and settled in Azle the early '70s. Working on growing the family, Ariana Faith was adopted in July 1974. The subsequent adoption of Shane Ashley followed in January 1980. Marrying her second husband, Mike, Cinda would become Cinda Ann Rhodes-Hopp in 1989 and stepmoth-



er to Steve Logan. Azle is where Cinda would spend the remainder of her days, pursuing her passions that included her children, grandchildren, reading, dancing, watching movies, raising animals, gardening, being a member of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority-Chapter Xi Nu Omega, and cheering on the Dallas Cowboys.

She was preceded in death by her grandmother, Blanche Hickey; parents Chester and Jean Norem; brother Stormi Norem; husband Mike Hopp; and stepson Steve Logan.

Cinda is survived by her beloved Pomeranian, Palee; children, Ariana (Joe) Salas and Shane (Buffie) Rhodes; grandchildren Chandler, Zane and Jaxon; nieces Kristi (Nick) Dymond, Kate Norem, Kari (Chris) Hohner, Kelli (Dustin) Olsen, Nina (Ray) Oller and Crystal (Ryan) Green; nephews Mark Hopp Jr., Myron Hopp Jr., and Matt (Sara) Hopp; and many additional nieces and nephews by marriages.

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ROLLINS

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Lake Worth Police Chief J.T. Manoushagian told the Tri-County Reporter the department was made aware of the situation after junior officers reported the incident a few days after May 14.

"When we were made aware of the severity of the incident, we immediately placed the officer on administrative leave," Manoushagian said. "(We) confiscated (his) badge, gun and ID and immediately contacted the Texas Rangers and launched an internal investigation at that time, in mid to late May. After that, the Texas Rangers began their part and we began an internal investigation."

Going a step further, the Lake Worth PD asked the city's legal team to do an internal investigation in an effort to remove any bias given Rollins' position within the department.

"We just felt like it was best to have an independent group come in and do that, so that was turned over to city legal and then the Rangers conducted a parallel investigation," Manoushagian said.

After the chief was given all the findings of the investigation, Rollins' employment ended July 8. Manoushagian says it's very important for police to adhere to departmental policies in order to be leaders and exemplify ethical police conduct.

"Our job as police leaders is to create the framework for ethical, professional police conduct and we use policies to outline the boundaries and the expectations that we expect our employees to adhere to," Manoushagian said.

After Rollins turned himself in Nov. 12, he posted \$5,000 bond and was released from the Tarrant County jail.

A DECORATED OFFICER

Rollins graduated Azle High School in 1998. He is an Air Force veteran who served his country in Iraq and continues to serve in the Air Force Reserve. He holds numerous academic degrees, including a master's degree in criminal justice from Tarleton State University and a Bachelor of Arts in criminal justice administration from Texas Christian University. Rollins is a graduate of Leadership Command College, class No. 86, Law Enforcement Management Institute (LEMIT).

He has served with the Irving Police Department, Fort Worth Police Department and Lake Worth Police Department.

Rollins is a highly-decorated police officer, whose awards include: The Trilogy Award, FBI LEEDA series, March 2022; Fort Worth Police Department Medal of Valor, April 29, 2021; Outstanding Graduate for the Tarleton State University Department of Criminal Justice, Master's Program, Fall 2020; American Police Hall of Fame Silver Star for Bravery, December 16, 2019; State of Texas Public Service Award/Medal 2019; Fort Worth Police Department Officer of the Year, 2017; Life Saving Award 2016; State of Texas Award/Medal for Valor 2013; Certificate of Merit, June 2013, two in December 2012, November 2005 and December 2005; Police Commendation Bars July 2012, April 2009; Officer of the Quarter October through December 2011; more than 50 paper commendations since being sworn.

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From Cambodia to the classroom

LILY HUDMAN
Special to the Tri-County Reporter

Azle High School teacher's experience as a journalist abroad

While the path to becoming a high school educator can look different for everyone, one particular teacher had a rather eccentric course to getting to where he is today.

OnRamps U.S. History and on-level U.S. History teacher Ryan Griffin began teaching at Azle High School in August 2022. Before he reached this point, however, he did a three-month internship as a journalist abroad in Cambodia through the Wilson Fellowship during his time in graduate school at Texas State University.

"So like, then getting that scholarship really opened up the opportunity for me to go and travel, because it supplemented what I had already saved," Griffin said. "I got to go over there for the three months for the newspaper, and then I stayed an additional four months because I had already been saving that

money."

Because of his passion for learning about history in Southeast Asia, he said getting the opportunity to intern as a journalist in Cambodia allowed him to experience something some people never have the opportunity to: traveling abroad.

"I really, really loved finally getting out and seeing the wider world," Griffin said. "Like having studied world history, third-world politics, the Cold War, international relations and international policies, getting to actually go to the places that I studied about was super, super cool."

Because the newspaper he worked at published stories in both English and Khmer, the language of Cambodia, Cambodian journalists would write stories in Khmer, speak

the story in English to Griffin, and he would then write the story in English. He also got to write a feature story about a sport that's played widely in Southeast Asia: chinlone linking.

"It definitely gave me a much greater sense of appreciation and understanding of the media, which is such an important part of politics and history," Griffin said. "Even though I didn't pursue journalism, it did give me some insight as to how important and impactful the media could be on the government, history, current events and stuff like that."

Although the internship was about nine years ago, Griffin said that experience still impacts him to this day. For example, over the summer, he went back to



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A classroom in Buddhist Temple Wat Ounalom in Phnom Penh, Cambodia in 2015.

Southeast Asia and went to countries he hadn't gotten to see yet such as Vietnam and Laos.

"To actually be there and experience this stuff in Cambodia, that trip basically kind of laid out the foundation for who I am and my worldview," he said. "It really shaped me into who I am."

In the future, Griffin said he has considered getting a doctorate, teaching abroad or working in a study abroad office at a university to help other kids have a similar experience to what he did.

"I would like for everyone

to have that opportunity because it was just so informative and good to me," he said. "It's definitely an experience that has altered the path in the course of my career and probably will continue to do so throughout my education path."

Griffin said he recommends to anyone who is remotely interested in traveling abroad or pursuing journalism to do something similar and take advantage of scholarship money.

"It gives you such a well-rounded experience," Griffin said. "You're going to come

out of the experience a totally different person with a new perspective and a new appreciation for the media."

Griffin said getting to travel abroad offers new perspectives on the climate, the people, and the cultures of a region, and that it is something everyone should experience in their lifetime.

"Don't let other people's opinions of the world deter you from going out and experiencing the world for yourself," he said. "You never know what lies out there. You never know who you're going to meet."



Independence Monument in Phnom Penh, Cambodia in 2015.



Griffin visited Bayon Temple in Siem Reap, Cambodia in 2015.



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Attendees have fun at a get together for art enjoyers.

Eagle Mountain Plaza showcases local artists through December

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AZLE — The Sacred Arts Association of Fort Worth will exhibit its art at the Eagle Mountain Plaza, 300 E. Main St. in Azle from November through December. The exhibit features various art forms including landscapes, portraits and woodwork-

ing from local artists like Julie Clark of Azle and Carol Yankus of Springtown. The art will be on display and for sale in the building's lobby for two months.

Both organizations are faith-based nonprofits, with proceeds supporting their respective activities. The partnership with the Sacred Arts Association began

through mutual connection with Sacred Fine Arts founder Vonnie Kohn and plaza employee Edie Stelter. Kohn has displayed art at the plaza before and currently has several of her own works displayed around the building.

"It's very rewarding. And not only that, but it rewards people in the community that come in here," Kohn said.

The public got to mingle with the art creators at a Nov. 9 event. Participants looked at art, painted Christmas ornaments, which were later donated to The Faith Shoppe, and enjoyed a chili lunch.

"I'm amazed at all the different kind of artists there are (in Azle) whether it be theater, writing, you know," gospel entertainer and Faith



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Karen Kimbrough of nearby Survivors Studio joined the festivities Saturday, Nov. 9.



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Crosses carved by local artist Julie Clark and paintings by Carol Yankus.

Shoppe owner John Webster said. "Some people have written books and various different things and then we have singing and instruments, and then we have theater, a lot of theater. So, Azle's really a neat, neat place to be living in a community that has so much to offer ... It's going to be a wonderful time to host the Sacred Arts Association of Fort Worth here in Azle at the Eagle Mountain Plaza showroom. We have a lot of different artists that do the most amazing and inspira-

tional and beautiful art you have ever seen." The plaza also hosts live streams of musical performances each week, Friday 11 a.m.-1 p.m., and has nearly 8,000 subscribers on YouTube. EMP plans to hold an event with Santa Claus Dec 14. For Christmas, musical act Don and John Webster plans to take 50 Azle area seniors on a trip to Branson, Missouri. In January, Texas Country Gospel Hall of Fame honoree Mary Fay Jackson will kick off a concert series.

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STRAUSS

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to Vietnam, where he served two tours.

"I was in the 360th Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron," Strauss said. "And I did EC-47s. I spent most of my time at Tan Son Nhut. And then I went TDY to Phu Bai, which is just south of the DMZ."

During his service, Strauss developed a strong bond with his fellow airmen.

"I think it was the brotherhood, your fellow airmen, I guess, and getting to know the people," Strauss said. "And wondering why we were there in the first place."

Strauss's time in Vietnam was filled with challenges, from enduring frequent attacks to grappling with the moral and political struggles of the Vietnam war. Strauss reflected on the mixed reactions he and his airmen friends received when they

came home.

"They made you feel like you did something wrong," Strauss said. "And when you're in the service, you're told what to do, when to do it, where to do it. You don't have a choice. I was damn proud of what I did."

Strauss shared what his focus was back in Vietnam and who he believes are the real heroes.

"Just staying alive and wanting to get back home," Strauss said. "That was the whole thing. And there's 58,487 that didn't make it. They were the real heroes."

After being discharged at Travis Air Force Base in California, he experienced hostility from the public, including being spit on at airports. After leaving the Air Force, Strauss returned to Wisconsin and pursued an interest in aircraft mechanics. Strauss bravely admitted that he's experienced some PTSD episodes post-Vietnam.

"I can remember when I came home at first, a friend

of mine, we were driving in downtown Milwaukee, and the fireworks went out," Strauss said. "We were at a stoplight. I jumped out of the car. And he looked at me like, what's the matter? I said, 'It's nothing you wouldn't understand.' It's a reaction."

He eventually attended an automotive technical school in Missouri. Strauss retired after a fulfilling career, and he and his wife Lynn, whom he met in the mid-1990s, now enjoy traveling and spending time with their family, including their six children and 13 grandchildren. Strauss is involved in veteran communities, attending events hosted by organizations like Roll Call.

Strauss credits his military service teaching him a strong sense of discipline and organization. He emphasized the importance of treating people with respect and says only recently are Vietnam veterans getting the appreciation they deserve.

"I enjoy meeting people," Strauss said. "The ones that do make you feel good are when you walk into Walmart or anywhere and someone acknowledges that you've been in the service and thanks you. That makes you feel good. Yeah. But it wasn't really until later when you got those reactions."

Strauss is actively involved in veteran communities, attending events such as luncheons hosted by organizations like Roll Call. These gatherings provide an opportunity to connect with other veterans and hear their stories, which Strauss believes is crucial for younger generations to understand.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Azle ISD has long had a transparency problem. Kudos to Kelsey Massey for figuring out how to communicate with parents and the community when the school district would not. Parents and guardians must be valued as vital members of the district by administrators and school board members, not portrayed as enemies who create more

questions and concerns. The district's funding priorities are bare in this pusillanimous, hand-wringing remark from Smith: "I am unsure as to what we would have reported to parents or staff ... without creating additional concerns." Having "additional concerns" means that parents might react (appropriately), keep their kids home, and negatively impact average daily attendance

(ADA) measures, which can affect school funding. The highest concern of those not in student-facing positions at Azle ISD is money, not safety. This misalignment of priorities and positioning of parents as district enemies has resulted in Azle ISD's current trust, transparency and communication issues.

- Diane Thorpe, Azle

Orange Leaf Frozen Yogurt



Orange Leaf Frozen Yogurt celebrated a ribbon cutting ceremony hosted by the Azle Area Chamber of Commerce Nov. 12. The newest sweet treat spot in Azle is located at 828 Boyd Road, Suite 102, next door to Nagoya. They offer a variety of frozen yogurt flavors and plenty of toppings to help you create your favorite dessert. They also have cakes, smoothies and shakes in store. They are open 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday.



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Alan Strauss is pictured in 1967 as an aircraft mechanic.



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to deliver around 100 meals to homebound individuals within a 10-mile radius of the church. This is Keen's second year running the event as the church's serving ministry chairperson. She reported the church served around 450 meals in-person last year to the tune of \$3,000. This year, she expects it to be even more expensive.

"The deliveries have gone up every year," Keen said. "You can see them increasing a little bit more now that there's more homebound people. We do ask, if you are able, to come to the church. We want you to come to the church, talk to people, socialize with people and make it more where you're around somebody, you're not isolated, but if you're homebound and you cannot get out, then

we will be more than happy to bring you a meal."

With assistance from the local Brookshires grocery store and financial backing from the Azle Area Ministerial Alliance, local banks, businesses and individuals Keen said the meal is a true community undertaking. Azle local Martin Feminella plans to do most of the cooking and come up with a shopping list for volunteers to buy from.

Keen said this year is going a lot smoother now that she has some experience under her belt. For her, planning the event strikes a personal chord, reminding her of her time spent away from family during the holidays while in the United States Air Force.

"For me, there's a personal gratification, I guess," Keen said. "I had those times where I was by myself for holidays with friends that were in the dorm. But it would have been nice to have had someplace

to go and to get a cooked meal, other than the chow hall or wait for the pizza place to open up ... because that's the only place that was open. To me, it's important to have that for the community, whether it's an individual, a single person, or whether it's a couple that maybe family's not coming for whatever reason, or a family that wants to come. Everybody is welcome. We encourage everybody to come. It's nice to have that gathering place where you don't have to be by yourself, definitely on the day."

Readers who'd like to volunteer on Thanksgiving Day, or make a donation, can call or leave a message for Deanna Keen at the church office at 817-444-3323. Donations can be mailed to First Methodist Church of Azle, 200 Church St., Azle, TX 76020 with the word "Thanksgiving" noted in the memo.

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Notes to Recovery



Notes to Recovery celebrated a ribbon cutting ceremony hosted by the Azle Area Chamber of Commerce Oct. 29. It is an Azle-based nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting healthy recovery by encompassing the power of music and its ability to heal the mind. Notes to Recovery connects musicians and other nonprofit supporters to help educate and provide resources that will support mental health and wellness in the community. Visit www.notestorecovery.com for more information about how to get involved with this unique organization!

TIDBEAUX

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girls."

During the trial, Mallory Vincent and Ashly Reeve, assistant district attorneys who tried the case for the prosecution, introduced a recording in which Tidbeaux told the victim not to tell police about what he had done to her. Tidbeaux asks her to tell them she made it all up. On the same recording, when she asks him why he did the sexual things to her, after a long pause, he told her, "I don't have an answer for you."

"His lack of a denial, his request that she lie about what happened, all directly from the defendant's mouth

was very powerful evidence," Vincent said. "Our victim did a fantastic job in her testimony and that should have been enough to convict, but the recording was the final nail in his coffin."

Jurors deliberated about three hours Thursday afternoon and Friday morning before finding Tidbeaux guilty.

"In the punishment phase, we asked the jury to speak on behalf of our community and send a message that we will not tolerate anyone abusing our children," Reeve said. "The jury's verdict sent that message loud and clear."

In a powerful victim impact statement after Tidbeaux was sentenced, the victim told Tidbeaux that, while people say that when something bad

happens to you, you should just tell someone, it is not as easy as it sounds, which is why she did not make an outcry until years after the abuse. She said she feared she would not be believed. She concluded by telling the courtroom that she was going to rise above the abuse, not let it define her, and make something of herself.

"Mr. Tidbeaux was on bond since his arrest, so he only has one day of jail credit toward his sentence," Swain said. "He will not be released from prison until he is 93 years old."

The case was tried in the 43rd District Court, Judge Craig Towson presiding.

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AHS drama holds Poppins pop-ins for senior living facilities

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AZLE — After months of preparation and countless hours spent rehearsing, Azle High School theater students held their first preview of this year's presentation, "Mary Poppins." This year marks 60 years since the classic Disney film's 1964 release. In a special sneak peek of the show, the theater department and drama booster parents granted residents of Azle area senior living facilities a chance to see it first.

"I think 'Mary Poppins' is a great show, because so many people here, they've seen the movie, they've heard the songs," volunteer Lisa Crabtree said.

The troupe held its special performances at Azle Manor, Eagle Crest Villa and Legacy Oaks of Azle to the delight of audiences Nov. 13 and 14.

Becky Mulkland, an 80-year-old Azle Manor resident, thoroughly enjoyed the show, singing along to every song and mimicking the actions of performers during their scenes. She said she was a lifelong Julie Andrews fan who often watched "Mary Poppins" and "The Sound of Music" in her youth.

"They did really good job," Mulkland said of the performance.

Students and theater department head Rebecca Crabtree similarly found the experience to be highly gratifying and great chance to get in front of a crowd before their big Nov. 21 premiere performance.

"It was a little nerve-wracking at first, but they seemed to enjoy it," 11th grader T.J. Bradford, who portrays Bert, said. "I felt once I got those first lines out, or my first song, I felt at ease and I was just able to enjoy it and have so much fun. My per-

formance was enhanced so much by seeing their smiles on their faces. It feels really nice, because everyone deserves the opportunity to see something magical like this. They've worked so hard, and they deserve something like this."

Showtimes for the AHS performance of "Mary Poppins" include Thursday, Nov. 21 at 7 p.m., Friday, Nov. 22 at 7 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 23 at 2 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 24 at 2 p.m. General admission tickets are \$12. Tickets for students or seniors are \$10. Azle ISD Gold Card holders receive free admission. The play will be presented in the AHS auditorium.

Cast for this performance included:

- **Mary Poppins**
Lyla Castro
- **Bert**
TJ Bradford
- **George Banks**
Nathan Carlson
- **Winifred Banks**
Avery Thompson
- **Katie Nanna**
Carden Hoenig
- **Jane Banks**
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- **Michael Banks**
Alexia Alonso
- **Bird Woman**
Sage Laing
- **Mrs. Brill**
Kaitlyn Rhodes
- **Robertson Ay**
Ethan Demary (Demary filled in and will not be playing this role in the Nov. 21 show.)
- **Park Keeper**
Will Stroud



The AHS "Mary Poppins" cast bows to its Azle Manor audience at the end of a 40-minute preview.



The AHS "Mary Poppins" cast.

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In the background, Becky Mulkland watches AHS theater students perform at Azle Manor Nov. 13.



Lyla Castro performs as the play's titular character alongside T.J. Bradford as Bert the chimney sweep.

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'The Butler Did It' continues for second week

ZACH FREEMAN

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AZLE — Actors play actors, confounding and delighting spectators at an ongoing Popcorn Players production. "The Butler Did It" intentionally blurs the line between a thriller and a "whodunnit" in a meta mystery comedy presented this weekend and last weekend by the Azle Arts Association. Great character work from Scott Nurmela, Steve Sandfort and other actors manages to leave the audience guessing even after they're told explicitly how the plot will unfold.

Beautiful set design by Scott Nurmela and Lisha Nurmela captures a New York City skyline seen from the window of an off-Broadway play rehearsal space where a desperate, aging director and his actors hope to re-enter the limelight. The plot thick-

ens as conflicts brew and inflated egos hope to latch on to fame by any means necessary. "The Butler Did It" was written by Walter and Peter Marks and was directed by Lisha Nurmela.

The theater will showcase its final three runs of "The Butler Did It" Friday, Nov. 22 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 23 at 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 24 at 2:30 p.m.

Popcorn Players Theater is located at 1012 Southeast Parkway in Azle, and tickets will be available in-person, online at www.azlearts.org, or by phone at 817-238-PLAY. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors and students, and \$10 for the Sunday matinee.

The theater's resident improv troupe, the Corney Kernels, will hold its final performance of the year Saturday, Dec. 7.

Cast for this play includes:

- **Raymond Butler and Robert**
Ron Counts
- **Aldo, the butler and Michael**
Jerry Hall
- **Angela Butler and Natalie**
Rozanne Gann
- **Victoria Butler and Claudia**
Jeana Henry
- **Anthony J. Lefcourt**
Steve Sandfort
- **Detective Mumford and Sam**
Scott Nurmela



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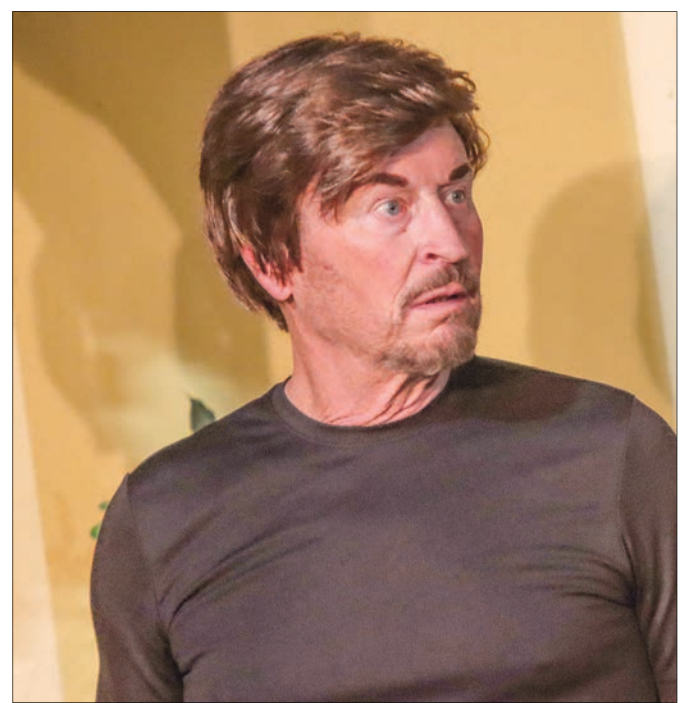
Rozanne Gann makes a surprise reveal as Natalie, throwing her castmates and the audience for a loop.



Jeana Henry shrieks as Angela Butler during a performance inside a performance.



Scott Nurmela jumps from serious to sassy while juggling the roles of a no-nonsense detective and Sam Farber, actor.



Young macho theater newbie Michael Severino, played by Jerry Hall, finds himself in a supposed love triangle with his fellow actors and director at a Nov. 17 performance.

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SPORTS

Roundup

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The Springtown Porcupines are bidistrict champions after defeating the Castleberry Lions Friday, Nov. 15 by a score of 52-16. The Porcupines continue their run for the state title Friday, Nov. 22, at the Prosper Children's Health Stadium in Prosper against the Sulphur Springs Wildcats.

Porcupines advance with 10th straight win

RICK MAUCH

Special to the Tri-County Reporter

Hornets' season ends in shocking way

The Springtown Porcupines (10-1) extended what is believed to be a team-record winning streak with their 10th straight victory, defeating Fort Worth Castleberry

(5-6) 52-16 in their Class 4A Division I bi-district contest in Boswell Thursday, Nov. 14. It was the ninth time Springtown has scored 34 or more points this season. The

Porcupines are outscoring their opponents by an average of 43-12. The Porcupines' already memorable season has included their first outright

district championship since 1998. They won the District 5-4A Division I title with a 6-0 record, while Castleberry finished fourth in 6-4A Division I, winning a tiebreaker over

Lake Worth.

Next for the Porcupines, No. 9 in the state, is Sulphur Springs (9-2). The Wildcats are coming off a 55-14 bi-district victory against Dallas Carter (6-5). The game is set for Nov. 22 at Prosper Children's Health Stadium in

Prosper at 7 p.m.

Offensive leaders vs. Castleberry: Kaine Hill 13-of-20, 277 yards, three TD, no interceptions, five carries, 61 yards; Aiden Adams 16 carries, 120 yards; Brayden

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Happiness is a Maine event for this father-son football duo



PHOTO COURTESY BO MAINES

Azle senior offensive lineman Dylan Maines, whose father Bo Maines is the defensive coordinator for the team, recently played his final game alongside his dad, wrapping up three years together on the varsity.

RICK MAUCH

Special to the Tri-County Reporter

Before each football game for the Azle Hornets, Bo Maines and his son Dylan had a simple ritual where they'd shake hands and

share a special, secret message. Then, after each game, they'd find each other for a hug and say "I love you." "We are both kind of 'men of few words' when it comes to emotional things," Bo said. "But I know we appreciate

one another's presence on the field. I will, for sure, when he is no longer out there with me. "I've enjoyed knowing he is there and experiencing the

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COURTESY PHOTO

Haley Gulley's team of volunteers included: (L-R) Tristan Gulley, Benjamin Gulley, Kaitlyn Gulley, Jessica Castrillo, Anthony Fitch, Haley Gulley, the Rev. Delbra Leftridge, Patrick Fleming, Adaline Kelley, Amy Fitch, Kristen Fleming, Faith Fleming, Ryan Louquet, Angel Unger, Clint Stegman, Chase Northcutt, Elizabeth Stegman Salinas and Harrison.

Eagle Scout helps turn church storage facility into a community meal center

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AZLE — Haley Gulley, a Life Scout from Azle, is nearing the completion of her journey to become an Eagle Scout. She's been pursuing this rank since girls were first allowed to join the Scouts in 2018. Haley, who joined the Scouts in fifth grade, recently completed a community service project that brought improvements to the Wesley Chapel CME Church's storage room, moving one step closer to achieving her goal. Gulley's decision to join

the Scouts was inspired by a school assembly where the Scouts shared their mission and activities. At the time, the historic policy change was made which allowed girls to earn the Eagle Scout rank, a milestone previously exclusive to Boy Scouts. Gulley had family members join the Scouts before and made an amusing admission. "My dad was a Scout Master for a troop and my brother did it. My dad had no idea I had signed up," Gulley said. "I came home that day with the flag. I wanted to join and we haven't looked back since."

For her Eagle Scout project, Gulley led a team to clean out a storage unit at Wesley Chapel. The unit, which had roof damage, was filled with unusable items but was transformed into a space that will eventually serve meals to the community. Gulley's mother, Jessica Castrillo, a supportive figure throughout her scouting journey, discovered the project through a post online. "The church's goal is to use the space to serve one meal a week to the community," Castrillo said. "It was

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Azle native named AJHS principal

STAFF REPORT

AZLE — Azle Junior High has a new principal.

Stace Bowen grew up in Azle where he attended Walnut Creek Elementary, the Rock School, Azle Junior High and Azle High School. He graduated from AHS in 2006 and went on to earn a Bachelor of Science in management from Texas Tech University and a Master's degree in educational administration from Angelo State University.

Bowen has worked in public education for 15 years, teaching various subjects and coaching at the secondary level before making a move into administration. Most recently, he was an assistant principal in the Keller ISD.

He came to the Azle ISD this year as an assistant principal at Azle High School and was subsequently selected for the top spot at Azle Junior High.

"Returning to lead and inspire the students and staff in a community that holds so many cherished memories for me is a dream come true," said Bowen. "I can't wait to partner with the staff, students, parents and community members to contribute to the growth and success of Azle Junior High and make a positive impact on the lives

Bowen returns to lead at alma mater

of the students in this wonderful town."

"I am excited about Mr. Bowen's transition from Azle HS assistant principal to principal of Azle Junior High," said Superintendent Todd

Smith. "He brings strong leadership skills, a passion for student success, and a deep commitment to serving his hometown community. I look forward to working closely with Mr. Bowen."



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Stace Bowen, Azle Junior High principal

Parker County Center of Hope



Parker County Center of Hope's new location is at 112 Optimist Road on the Springtown Square. The newly renovated facility will provide a range of services to the community and includes a lobby, a food pantry, dining room and kitchen. The center will also provide life coaching and advising offices, a medical clinic, classrooms for adult education and career development programs. This larger space will allow the Center of Hope to reach more people plus introduce more services. The center will be open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Center of Hope celebrated a ribbon cutting ceremony hosted by the Springtown Area Chamber of Commerce Thursday, Nov. 14.



The storage unit before Gulley and her team refurbished it.

EAGLE

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a perfect project for Haley to take on."

Gulley coordinated volunteers from her current and previous troops, as well as her family to help complete the project.

"Getting everything organized was the biggest challenge," Gulley said. "It was a lot to arrange, getting people, supplies and even a dumpster. But we finished in just three hours because so many people came out to help."

Wesley Chapel and its congregation expressed deep gratitude to Gulley for the transformation. They hosted a brunch to thank Gulley and her team.

"Seeing their reaction made it all worth it," Gulley said. "They couldn't believe the change."

The project was just one part of Gulley's path to become an Eagle Scout, which requires earning at least 21 merit badges and fulfilling other requirements. She still has six or seven badges to complete, including tasks like personal management which involves budgeting and tracking finances over time.

Gulley credits her time in the Scouts with teaching her

valuable skills like public speaking, organization and leadership.

"I've learned that helping others is rewarding, even if you don't get anything in return," Gulley said.

Castrillo added that her daughter is everything she has wanted her to be in terms of confidence and being a leader.

"We've watched her grow into a leader, especially through this project," Castrillo said. "She was confident and took charge, which is exactly what we hope for."

Gulley's advice to other girls considering the Scouts is simple: just got for it.

"Just do it, it's a lot of fun and not as hard as it might seem," Gulley said.

She appreciates the support among her troop and the positive environment that has helped her thrive. For those interested in the Eagle Scout rank, Gulley emphasized the importance of perseverance. She says it's a lot of work, but the experiences and skills gained are worth it.

After achieving the Eagle Scout rank, Gulley plans to pursue a career in nuclear engineering. She is drawn to this career for its unique challenges and opportunities. She hopes the skills and recognition she's gained through the

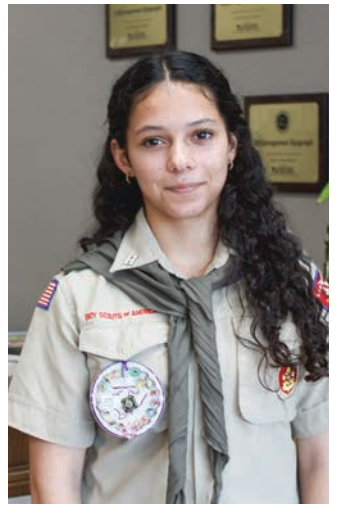


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Haley Gulley in her Life Scout uniform.

Scouts will support her academic and professional goals plus scholarships for college.

As she continues her journey through life, Gulley remains committed to community service.

"Even after Scouts, I want to keep helping others," Gulley said. "It's something I'll always value."

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Lake Worth ISD board welcomes new members, recognizes students, staff

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LAKE WORTH — On Nov. 18, Lake Worth ISD newly-elected school board members Cindy Burt and Cristina Gallagher took the oath of office during a regularly scheduled school board meeting.

Burt won place 7 by 388 votes as incumbent Chris Thomas had 1,499 while Burt received 1887 votes. Cristina Gallagher, who ran unopposed, won Place 6.

Lake Worth ISD Board President Armando Velazquez congratulated to Burt and Gallagher.

During the board meeting, Marine Creek Leadership Academy Principal Cedrick Miller honored individuals who are vital to the Lake Worth ISD community. One of those individuals is Katey Sanders.

Sanders is the attendance and registrar clerk and has been with Lake Worth ISD for four years.

"I have the opportunity also to honor one of the most hardworking people I've ever

known," Miller said. "The saying of 'a person that wears many hats' is an absolute understatement on the many jobs that she performs on a daily basis. We really appreciate everything she has done and we're so blessed to have her as a member of the MCLA family."

The next individual to be recognized for the community recognition award was Lt. Matt Rietfors, who was introduced by Lake Worth ISD Superintendent Dr. Rose Mary Neshyba.

"Back when he was a sergeant, he was instrumental in working with the city and Lake Worth ISD because at one time, we had SROs that serve the Lake Worth Schools and schools in Fort Worth," Neshyba said. "We didn't get the same level of customer service. Matt took that upon himself to work with us, coordinating with the city and the district to make sure that we got good customer service from the Lake Worth PD and all of Lake Worth ISD schools."

Neshyba said even parents

know Lt. Rietfors.

"It's made a huge difference with him knowing our students and with us working as a team," Neshyba said. "You work closely with our families. I think parents know him by name."

Then Lake Worth ISD Communication Coordinator Noah Ceballos honored and recognized the winners of the 2024 Lake Worth ISD holiday card. Those winners were secondary winner Destiny Montezuma and elementary winner Aubrielle Everage.

"For the 2024 Lake Worth ISD holiday card, this year, we're honoring an elementary and secondary student whose artwork will serve as the front and back covers for the district holiday card," Ceballos said. "These students' artwork will be shared with many of our district partners and neighboring school districts. Thank you to these students for sharing their talents and allowing us to use their artwork to represent Lake Worth ISD."



Cindy Burt and Cristina Gallagher take the oath of office at school board meeting.

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Lt. Matt Rietfors receives recognition from the Lake Worth ISD board of trustees. Pictured are (L-R): Board President Armando Velazquez, Lt. Matt Rietfors and Superintendent Dr. Rose Mary Neshyba.



Katey Sanders receives recognition from the Lake Worth ISD board of trustees. Pictured are (L-R): Superintendent Dr. Rose Mary Neshyba, Board President Armando Velazquez, Katey Sanders and Marine Creek Leadership Academy Principal Cedrick Miller.



2024 Lake Worth ISD holiday card secondary winner Destiny Montezuma (center) and elementary winner Aubrielle Everage (center right) receive award.

News from Azle City Hall

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Christmas lights, like most electronics, are not biodegradable and will not decompose. If you want to do your part to look after the earth, recycling your lights is a great way to do it. DO NOT put them in your home recycle bin as they tangle up recycling machinery.



Leaf Collection



The weather is finally cooling off and leaves are beginning to fall. Just a reminder - CWD will collect no more than 10 bags of leaves on your second collection day. Any amount of bagged leaves over 10 will be collected on your next week's second collection day. If you have questions, please contact CWD at 972-392-9300. For more tips, visit the City of Azle website at: cityofazle.org

Azle Memorial Library News and Free Events

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We Want Your Feedback on Library Programs:

During the month of November, the Library will have program surveys available for adults, tweens/teens, and children. We want to know your thoughts and ideas so we can better serve our community with fun, educational, and/or engaging programs for all ages! Visit our website for a digital version of the survey or come into the Library for a paper copy!

FREE Programs

Full details and additional programs can be found on the library's website, or by visiting the library and picking up our Monthly Newsletter. Programs take place in the Library Community Room, unless otherwise noted.

- **Storytime Break:** Our regularly scheduled Tiny Tykes Storytime on Wednesdays and Preschool Pals Storytime on Thursdays will take a break after November 21 and will return on January 8 & 9, at 10:30 AM.
- **Holiday Pajama Storytime - 12/3 at 6 PM:** Children ages 2-5 are invited to join Miss Ava for a holiday themed storytime with fun activities, holiday stories, singing, dancing, a craft, and cookies! Wear your jammies!
- **Holiday Desserts From Around the World - 12/5 at 6 PM:** Inviting all adults to join us to discuss holiday dessert recipes from around the world! Some recipe samples will be provided for attendees to try. Hot cocoa and coffee will also be available. No registration required!
- **Winter Trees for Adults - 12/14 at 10:30 AM:** Inviting all adults to join us to make winter trees! All supplies and instructions will be provided. No registration required!
- **Paper Bag Snowflakes for Adults - 12/19 at 6 PM:** Inviting all adults to join us to make paper bag snowflakes to take home and display! All instructions and supplies will be provided. No registration required!



Holiday Schedule

Azle City facilities will close Thurs/Fri, November 28 & 29, in observance of Thanksgiving. Azle Library will also close on November 30. Cross Timbers Golf Course will only be closed on Thanksgiving Day, November 28.

Police and Fire services will be available by calling 817-444-3221, or 911 in case of an emergency. For water or sewer emergencies, please call 817-444-3221.

Residential trash/recycling collection will slide one day;

Thursday to Friday, Friday to Saturday.

For Commercial front load, split Thursday service between Wednesday and Friday.

For additional information, please contact CWD at 972-392-9300, option 2.

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Urban Assault Battle Arena

Urban Assault Battle Arena celebrated a ribbon cutting ceremony hosted by the Azle Area Chamber of Commerce Oct. 21. Urban Assault Battle Arena is an indoor-outdoor play battlefield for Nerf gun and gel blaster enthusiasts of all ages. It is located at 118 S. Stewart St. behind Main Street Tacos and next to Redemption Barbell. Join in on the fun Monday through Friday from 3:30-8:30 p.m., and noon-8:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Urban Assault Battle Arena offers birthday packages and monthly memberships along with its daily rates. For more information call 817-876-8583.

Texas 5th among America's most expensive states for used cars

STAFF REPORT

Texas is the fifth highest-priced state in America to buy a used car, a new study has revealed.

Vehicle issue platform AutoTechIQ, www.autotechiq.com, analyzed 68,852 unique used and certified pre-owned car listings on Cars.com. The listings for each state were grouped together to find the average cost of a used car. Exotic cars costing over \$150,000 were not included

in the study. The states were then ranked from highest average cost to lowest average cost to reveal the most expensive spots to purchase a second-hand car.

Texas rounds out the five states home to the most expensive second-hand cars. A used car costs an average of \$33,615 for Texans, with Ford vehicles proving the most popular, accumulating 433 listings. Arlington has the state's cheapest used

cars with an average cost of \$23,249, whereas Boerne has more expensive vehicles, with an average cost of \$67,702.

Alaska ranks as the most expensive state to purchase a used car. Of the 667 vehicle listings in the state, the average cost of a second-hand car is \$35,487, more than \$1,000 more than any other place in the country. For motorists looking for the best deals statewide, Anchorage is where the most affordable

used cars are found, priced at an average of \$34,195. Meanwhile, Fairbanks is home to the state's most expensive used cars, with the average cost at \$41,618.

Of all 50 states, Washington and Ohio are the least expensive states to buy a second-hand car, with the average cost reaching \$34,673 and \$26,605, respectively. Other cheaper states include Virginia, Pennsylvania, Indiana and Minnesota,

where the average cost doesn't exceed \$29,000.

Uwe Kleinschmidt, founder and CEO of AutoTechIQ, commented on the findings.

"With demand outstripping supply due to microchip shortages and supply chain disruptions, used cars have steadily risen in price over the past decade, meaning it's never been more important to find a great second-hand car deal," Kleinschmidt said. "An average used car in America

is priced at \$30,216.66, with just 20 states citing lower average prices. Of these states, seven each are located in the Northeast and Midwest, while three each are found in the South or Western regions of the country. Ford vehicles are the most popular used cars in 33 states, while Chevrolet ranked top in 14 states, including Illinois, New York and North Carolina."

MAINES

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same things I am. It's going to be very different when he is not around."

Bo Maines is the defensive coordinator for the Hornets and Dylan Maines was a standout offensive tackle and three-year starter, whose high school career ended with a 41-39 bi-district loss to Saginaw in the 5A Division I playoffs. It was the last time he walked onto the field with his father to play and coach together.

"I honestly don't see him very much because I'm on the offensive side of the ball, but the small moments I do get with him I appreciate very much," Dylan Maines said. "I've always appreciated his presence on the field and during off-season, and I know it's not something a lot of people get to experience so I am very thankful for my situation."

FIRST TIME IN PLAYOFFS

This season was exceptionally special for the father-son duo as it is the first time they reached the postseason together. The Hornets finished 7-4. The Hornets' win total was more than the past two seasons combined when they were 3-7 each time.

"I've put my everything into this sport and worked as hard as I can these last few years

and it feels good to have some success," Dylan Maines said. "I'm proud of the work we have put in as a team and I'm proud of the season we have put together."

TEAM CAPTAIN

Making it even more special is Dylan Maines being named a team captain by his teammates.

"I cannot express how proud I am of anything he accomplishes that is voted on by his peers. It's one thing for coaches and teachers to see you as a leader, an entirely different thing for your teammates to acknowledge and embrace that," Bo Maines said. "The four players we have as captains are outstanding illustrations of what we consider 'program kids,' prime examples of what we strive to create with our program culture. I'm extremely proud that Dylan is in that lot."

Dylan Maines added that it is, indeed, a cool honor.

"I've always tried to be a leader on this team and being voted by my teammates as one of the captains is an honor to me," he said. "I'm also proud of the three other guys I am with and I believe they represent our program well."

PROUD OF HIS DAD

While Bo Maines expresses his pride for his son, Dylan Maines is equally proud of

his dad.

"He is a great leader and a great coach. He will continue doing great things in his future, whether he stays with this program or moves to another," Dylan Maines said. "I cannot wait to see what the future holds for him."

Bo Maines previously coached at Springtown for 11 years from 2003-2013, where he said he learned a lot from coaches like Chris Pennington, Mike Kelley, Brad Turner, Randy Thornton and Jim Yankie.

"I came to Azle in the record-breaking 2014 season and have learned even more from coach Devon Dorris, Cody Gilbert, Chad Jones, Bob Gilbreath and Becky Spurlock (former athletic director)," he said.

In 2014 the Hornets posted an 11-2 record.

Bo Maines played on the offensive and defensive lines at Alvarado, but said, "Dylan is a phenomenally better football player than I was."

Bo Maines did not play in college, leaving five days after high school graduation to become part of the 66th Combat Rescue unit for the US Air Force.

LOTS OF HONORS

Dylan Maines is on pace for more hardware this season as he has anchored an offensive line that helped the Hornets average almost 40 points per game.

He was honorable mention all-district as a sophomore and second team as a junior, along with being academic all-district both years. This year he is eligible for academic all-state honors and Bo Maines said he has a great chance at reaching that mark as he is in the top 10 in his senior class.

"His mom and I are most proud of his academics," Bo Maines said.

HOMECOMING KING AND QUEEN

One of the biggest highlights of Dylan Maines' high school career came earlier this football season and while it was during a game, it wasn't part of the game.

He was named Azle High School homecoming king, with his girlfriend Haley Carlson named homecoming queen.

"We said we would run for king and queen as a joke at the beginning of the year, and then we actually wound up running for it," Dylan Maines said with a smile. "We would not have won without all the support we received from our friends and family."

"We had a large network of people donating food for our food drive, thanks to both of our moms, and we had a large voting campaign support from our friends at school. Huge thank you to all our supporters."

Bo Maines said his son told he and his mom that he "wanted to win for Haley."

"But standing with him that Friday night and seeing how nervous and shaky he was, I knew it was special to him," Bo Maines said. "It was a moment none of us will forget."

"All the friends, family and students that supported them were so awesome, it was truly a team effort."

Then, Bo Maines added with a chuckle, "He may have felt a little pressure from mom. She was homecoming queen her senior year, so I guess he is a descendant of royalty?"

TALK AT HOME

While they didn't talk much during games or even practice, Bo Maines said there was still some interaction. After all, Dylan would go up against his dad's defense in preparation for the next game.

"During our Tuesday blitz drill I may or may not — definitely do — call things to his side to put him in difficult situations just to mess with him," Bo Maines said with a slight smirk. "You know, like send two or three guys blitzing at him."

Also, since father didn't get to watch son very much during a game as he was busy coordinating the defense, he has often spent Saturday late nights watching him on game film at home.

"I also like to find him on film on the sideline when we are on defense. I love to see him get locked on third down and cheering like crazy when the defense gets a stop," Bo Maines said. "I like to think he is so intent because he is a fan of his old man and wants me to be successful, of course he wants his teammates to be successful too, but it's nice to feel like he is there supporting me as well."

LOOKING AHEAD

Dylan Maines said he does not plan to play in college, though Bo Maines believes he has the potential. Dylan Maines said he plans to study engineering.

"I'm not exactly sure which specific discipline, but engineering has always fascinated me," he said. "I love to create things and fix problems, and I'm great with numbers."

Whatever the future holds for him, both said they will always cherish this time together.

"It's definitely something I am not taking for granted. This journey with him and this team has been the highlight of my life," Dylan Maines said. "I have loved every moment and I will miss it all."

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ROUNDUP

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Butler 14-yard TD run; Chase Thompson six catches, 87 yards, two TD; Kason Ferguson five catches, 125 yards, TD; Dylan Crutchfield two catches, 65 yards.

Hill, a sophomore, continued his torrid season in which he has now thrown 29 touchdowns opposite a single interception and has rushed for 550 yards and 10 more scores.

Sulphur Springs offensive players to watch: Kayden Mitchell 2,029 yards, 19 TD, seven interceptions passing; Jaxson Haire 732 yards, 10 TD rushing, 35 catches, 504 yards, four TD; Wyatt Watson 25 catches, 446 yards, three TD.

Sulphur Springs defensive players to watch: Grayson Hardy 129 tackles, interception; Alex McCormick 74 tackles, two interceptions.

The Wildcats are in their third season under head coach Brandon Faircloth, who has led them to a 24-9 record in that span. He took over

after the team went 0-10 in 2021.

Springtown is in the playoffs for a 13th straight season, including all 11 since Brian Hulett became head coach.

The Porcupines were stunned in their season opener, 21-20 at Joshua. The Owls, while not making the postseason, finished 5-5 and enjoyed a rare nonlosing season for a program that is still looking for its first winning season in almost three decades.

AZLE FOOTBALL

The Hornets' season came to an end in stunning fashion with a 41-39 Class 5A Division I bi-district loss at Saginaw Nov. 15. The Hornets (7-4) led 39-28 with three minutes to play before the Rough Riders (11-0) stormed back with two late touchdowns, including a 75-yard TD for the game winner with just over a minute to play.

It was Azle's first playoff appearance since 2021, and the seven victories were more than the past two seasons combined. For Saginaw, this season produced their first district championship, first

undefeated regular season and now their first playoff victory in school history since the program started in 2005.

Offensive leaders vs. Saginaw: Derrek Vowell 13-of-26, 128 yards, two TD, two interceptions; Hagen Hughes 26 carries, 194 yards, three TD; Brayden Combs five catches, 43 yards, TD; Aiden Mackey three catches, 39 yards, TD.

Hughes, a senior, accounted for over 2,000 yards and 25 touchdowns for the Hornets this season. He rushed for 1,836 yards and 24 TD, while catching 10 passes for 186 yards and another score.

In his three seasons on the Hornets varsity, Hughes rushed for 3,082 yards and 29 TD. He also caught 21 passes for 263 yards and two TD.

Defensive leaders vs. Saginaw: Bryan Moya nine tackles; Case Moore nine tackles; Hunter Ooten eight tackles; Jay Glaze seven tackles; Connor Merrill seven tackles, two for loss, sack; Ethan Alcala seven tackles, five for loss, sack; Hayden Cassidy tackle for loss, sack, interception; Cash Hunter

interception.

The Hornets' season included a 6-0 start, their best in decades.

AZLE VOLLEYBALL

The best season since 1998 for the Lady Hornets (28-15) came to an end in the Class 5A Division II Region I semi-finals as they fell to Lubbock Cooper (31-14) 3-0 in Wichita Falls Nov. 12.

The Lady Hornets had opened the postseason with back-to-back 3-1 wins over Mansfield Timberview and Grapevine. Cooper fell to Argyle in the regional finals.

Leaders vs. Cooper
Kills: Jacqui McClain 18, Elizabeth Kate Lund 10, Destiny Brune 4

Blocks: Brune 6, Addison Dorris 2, Lyric Mize 2

Digs: Heather Lockridge 21, McClain 10, Miley Massey 10

Assists: Massey 26, Gabby Briseno 10

Receptions: Lockridge 24, Lund 17, McClain 13

AZLE GIRLS BASKETBALL

The Lady Hornets (2-6) competed in the Fort Worth Paschal Tournament this past weekend. They dropped contests to Sanger, 61-32; Lewisville, 59-40; Alvarado, 59-36; and defeated Springtown 55-52.

Leaders vs. Sanger: Abbey Natusch 15 points, Angel Sifuentes 5 points, Keagan Stuart 4 points.

Leaders vs. Lewisville: Sifuentes 15 points, Eviana Quillin 7 points, Emersyn Anderson 5 points, Natusch 5 points.

Leaders vs. Alvarado: Anderson 14 points, Stuart 8 points, Sifuentes 6 points, Natusch 6 points.

Leaders vs. Springtown: Sifuentes 21 points, Natusch 9 points, Quillin 8 points.

Prior to the tournament, Azle fell 39-31 at Mineral Wells Nov. 12. Sifuentes led with 9 points, while Anderson and Quillin each added 6.

The Lady Hornets host Paschal Nov. 22 at 6:15 p.m. and hosts Springtown Nov. 25 at 11:15 a.m.

SPRINGTOWN GIRLS BASKETBALL

Also competing in the Paschal Tournament, the Lady Pines (0-5) fell 50-32 to Burleson Centennial, 47-39 to Belton, 49-30 to Weatherford and 55-52 to Azle.

Leaders vs. Centennial:

Evelyn Herrera 10 points, Brylynn Bazzell 8 points, Kaylee Falcon 7 points.

Leaders vs. Belton: Bazzell 14 points, Esther Balado 11 points, Herrera 6 points.

Leaders vs. Weatherford: Balado 22 points, Bazzell 8 points, Herrera 6 points.

Leaders vs. Azle: Esther 23 points, Brylynn Bazzell 9 points.

The Lady Pines began the season with a 47-42 loss at Arlington Seguin Nov. 12 as Balado scored 11 and Bazzell added 8.

Springtown is in the Keene Invitational this weekend.

LAKE WORTH GIRLS BASKETBALL

The Lady Frogs (6-3) competed in the Fort Worth Wyatt Tournament this past weekend. They lost 46-30 to Dallas Sunset, defeated Fort Worth Dunbar 42-30 and Fort Worth Young Women's Leadership Academy 43-18, fell 37-36 to Arlington and 54-29 to a squad from Australia.

Leaders vs. Sunset: Jacqueline Cleveland 14 points, seven rebounds; Aliyah Salas 8 points; Vanessa William six rebounds, three steals; Zion Allen six rebounds.

Leaders vs. Dunbar: Cleveland 18 points, five steals; Salas 9 points, five rebounds, three assists, six steals; Allen seven rebounds, five steals; Bailey Jones 10 rebounds, four steals; Kalise Ivory five rebounds.

Leaders vs. YWLA: Cleveland 19 points, Salas 12 points, William 5 points, Jones 5 points, Cherysh Luev seven rebounds.

Leaders vs. Arlington: Cleveland 15 points, Jones 9 points, Salas 7 points.

Leaders vs. Australia: Salas 11 points, Cleveland 9 points, Jones 5 points, Allen six rebounds.

Before the tournament, Lake Worth defeated Fort Worth Poly 49-15. Cleveland scored 24 points with five rebounds, four steals, two blocks; Salas added 14 points with five rebounds and four steals. Also, Jones scored 6 points with eight rebounds, Kalise Ivory pulled down six rebounds and William and Allen had four steals each.

Lake Worth is hosting the Lady Frogs Classic this weekend. They host Fort Worth South Hills Nov. 25 and

Benbrook Nov. 26, both at 6:15 p.m.

AZLE BOYS BASKETBALL

The Hornets improved to 2-0 with a 71-32 home victory against Springtown Nov. 12. Jayden Taylor's monster night included 21 points and 17 rebounds.

Also for Azle, Cason Cook 15 points, three steals; Britt Haas 12 points, six rebounds, three assists, four steals; Bryce Robinson 12 points, 11 rebounds, four steals; Leo Coker three assists; Dominic Baxter three steals.

Azle is in the Cleburne Tournament this weekend. They visit Paschal Nov. 25 at 3 p.m. and host South Hills Nov. 26 at 11:30 a.m.

SPRINGTOWN BOYS BASKETBALL

The Porcupines (0-2) followed their loss at Azle with a 65-46 home loss to Perrin-Whitt Nov. 15.

Leaders vs. Azle: Keagan Gutierrez 11 points, six rebounds; Gabriel Hicks 5 points; Ethan Graham 5 points; Grayson Brooks 5 points; Loudon Strickland five rebounds; Ayden Lugo four assists; Edgar Barrera three steals.

Leaders vs. Perrin-Whitt: Brooks 18 points, five rebounds; Lugo 15 points, nine rebounds, three steals; Graham 8 points, five rebounds, 8 assists; Strickland five rebounds.

The Porcupines visit Paradise Nov. 25 at 12:15 p.m. and go to Holliday, No. 14 in 3A by TABC, Nov. 26 at 1:30 p.m.

LAKE WORTH BOYS BASKETBALL

The Bullfrogs (2-0) matched their win total for all of last season with their 75-50 at home against Boyd Nov. 12. Leaders were Braylen Fridia 26 points; Favian Lopez 12 points, eight steals; Anthony Green 10 points; Ayden Brooks seven rebounds; DeJay Black five rebounds; Ivan Lopez three assists; Cameron Elems four steals; Parrion Hall three steals.

The Bullfrogs play host to Gainesville Nov. 30 at 1:30 p.m.



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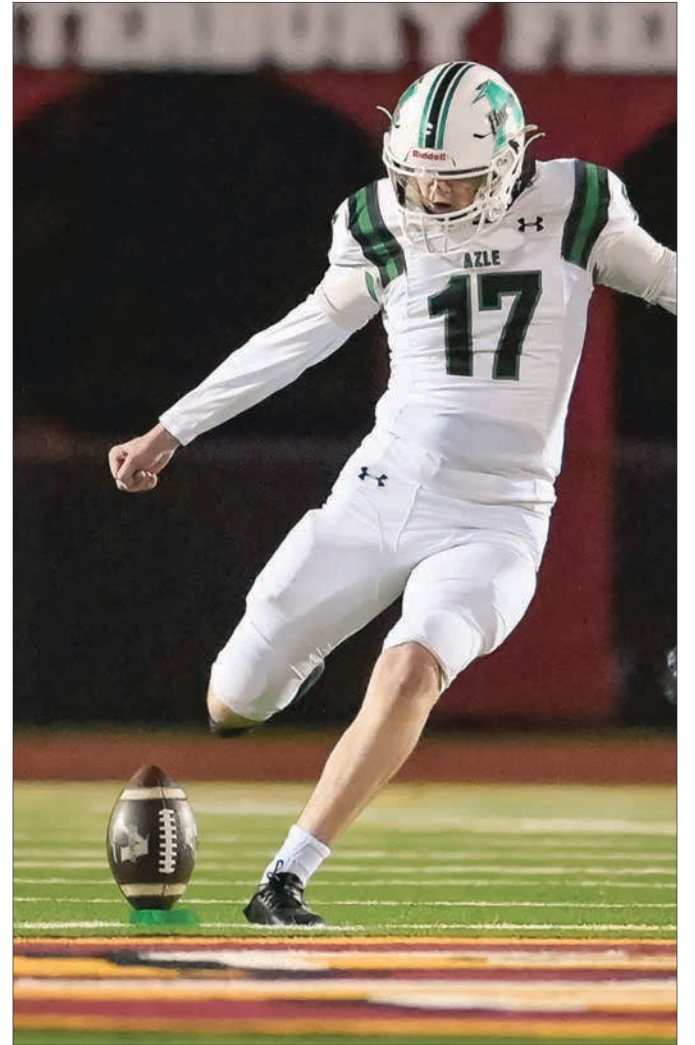
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BOOK REVIEW

The Puzzle Box

TERRI SCHLICHENMEYER

Special to the Tri-County Reporter

Three Down is a four-letter word for "reading device."

That's an easy one and it fits but 16 Across is keeping you from finishing this puzzle. You've filled it in and erased it three times now and it still doesn't make sense but that's okay. This is why you play these brain games. As in the new book, "The Puzzle Box" by Danielle Trussoni, mind-bogglers like this should be fun, not dangerous.

Ever since the head injury he sustained in high school, Mike Brink is a man consumed.

Not only does he suffer from synesthesia, with swirling colors on the periphery of his vision, but he is obsessed with puzzles and patterns. Where other people see things, Mike sees designs everywhere in contrast and

cubes. He can't help it.

Known around the world for his puzzle-solving prowess, Mike wishes he could be "normal."

But "normal" people don't get invitations to open Japan's mythical Dragon Box.

Until the moment he solved the puzzle that was the invitation, Mike hadn't even been sure the Dragon Box existed. Supposedly, an attempt to open it was only allowed every 12 years, and since it's devious but brilliant creation by a blind man, everyone who tried died horribly. And now here was a beautiful Japanese woman, Sakura, standing in his apartment, promising Mike that she'd accompany him to Tokyo if he accepted the challenge.

How could he not?

When Ume was a child, she and her sister were taught to fight like samurai, with the same deadly fierceness that her great-great-grandfather,

grandfather, and her mother had once displayed. Ume remembered her training well and she knew Sakura did, too, but Sakura was too young to remember all the dangers of it. Sakura was well educated — both girls were; once they'd arrived in America, their guardian had seen to it — but she was quite naive.

In return for his favor, the guardian wanted just one thing.

He wanted whatever was in the Dragon Box.

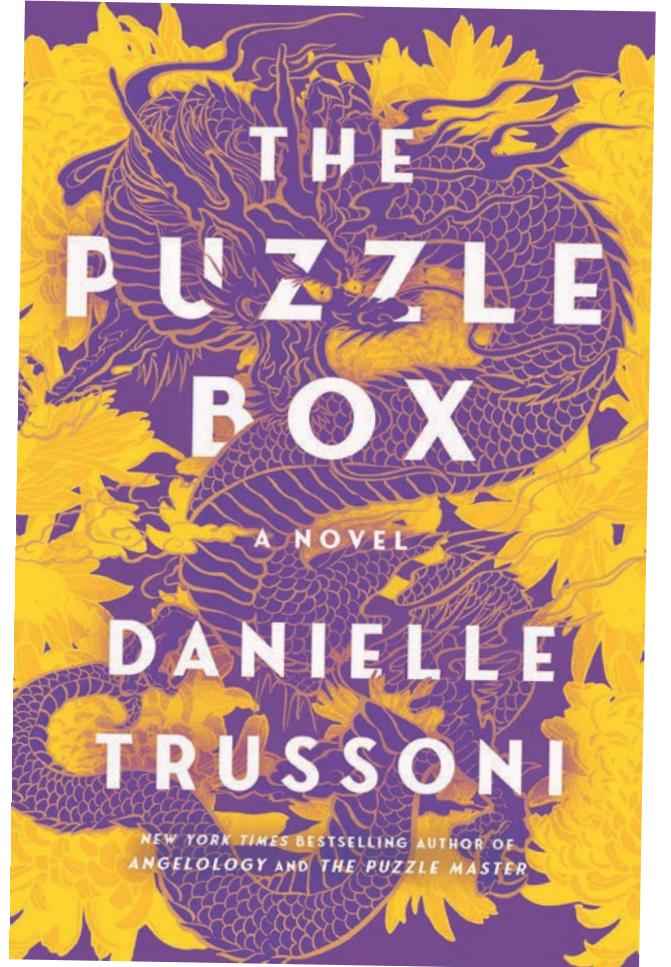
For years now, you've been waiting for a book like "The DaVinci Code." You may find that "The Puzzle Box" is close, but close might not be enough.

There's both good news and not-so-great news here. You'll find adventure, exciting chase scenes, and international conspiracy inside author Danielle Trussoni's novel, but it starts out stiff and uneven. So much is

packed into the first third of the tale that it can feel rushed, but also too slow sometimes. The characters are well-done and well-rounded, and Trussoni doesn't over-reveal, leaving readers some intrigue to enjoy — but the characters' personal quirks are on repeat, to the point that you'll sigh heavily when you're reminded one more time that Mike practically needs puzzles to live.

Most oddly, the end of the story is revealed long before the book's last page.

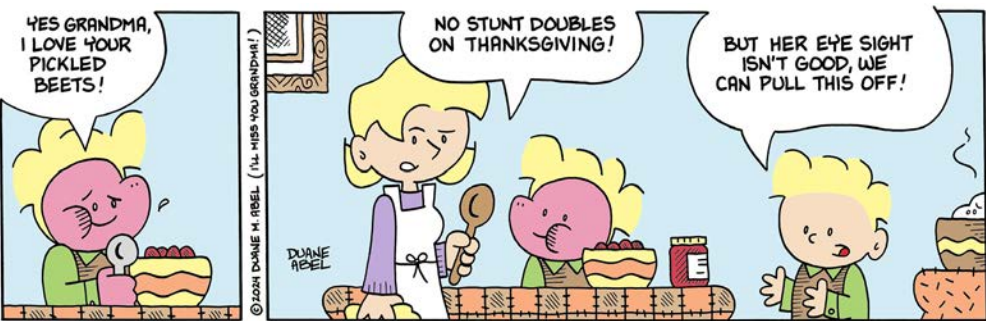
Readers who demand a tighter, more hair-raising, scream-down-the-cliff-type thriller may want to look elsewhere for their enjoyment because "The Puzzle Box" isn't it. Fantasy, ninja-loving, slightly tamer intrigue novel fans, on the other hand, won't be able to put it down.



COURTESY PHOTO

©2024, Random House, \$30, 325 pages "The Puzzle Box" by Danielle Trussoni

ZED by Duane Abel



MGP, cross country runners honored at Nov. 18 school board meeting



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Hoover Elementary students led the United States and Texas Pledge of Allegiance during a Nov. 18 board of trustees meeting.



Azle High School cross country team runners were introduced by their coaches, Keith Boenisch and Kelsie Jones, to the school board for the hard work put in during their season.



Azle ISD Fine Arts Director David Wright introduced the high school's Marching Green Pride to the school board, noting its accomplishments in making it to the area competition this season.

Sudoku

NOVEMBER 21, 2024

5	8				7	9		
9	2	3	4			7		
		7				8	3	1
				8			7	
			5		6		2	9
	9	6		2			5	
1			8	6				
8		2						3
3	6			7				

Level: Beginner

Solution to last week's puzzle

NOVEMBER 14, 2024

7	5	6	8	3	1	9	4	2
4	8	1	5	2	9	3	6	7
3	2	9	7	6	4	1	5	8
6	9	8	4	1	3	2	7	5
5	4	2	9	8	7	6	1	3
1	3	7	2	5	6	8	9	4
9	1	4	3	7	2	5	8	6
8	7	3	6	9	5	4	2	1
2	6	5	1	4	8	7	3	9

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to getting married.

CRTIEE

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Answer: Rectie

CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to Valentine's Day. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 11 = C)

A. 1 16 13 13 20 1
Clue: Candy

B. 14 5 6 3 7 11 13
Clue: Excitement about love

C. 11 3 14 9
Clue: Offers a greeting

D. 11 15 5 11 5 18 3 20 13
Clue: Rich and creamy treat

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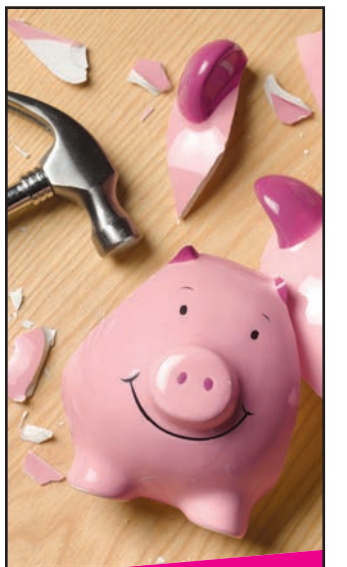


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ACROSS

1 Maureen O' _____ starred in 1950 film "Rio Grande"

5 Arab ruler

6 Waco once hosted "The Great Texas Race"

7 NW Tarrant County on highway 199

8 Texas actor Tommy Jones

9 TX Harvey who wrote the music for "The Fantasticks"

16 TX Steve Forrest film "The Longest Day" was about this

18 TXism: "he _____ his mouth" (talks without thinking)

21 TXism: "_____ hill for a stepper"

22 TXism: "feel like _____ chewed up and spit out" (sore)

23 Farrow of 1978 film "A Wedding" with TX-born Burnett

24 check your blind _____ you drive

30 dough balls

34 trucker radio

35 Dawson County seat

36 Texas critic, Rex

37 Spanish explorer in El Paso area: Juan de _____

39 Lone Star team that won the 2023 World Series

43 TXism: "hot as road _____ July"

44 1960s TV western

45 8th governor, Clark (init.)

46 El Paso PBS station

47 most tidy

49 invisible (2 wds.)

52 in Taylor County on highway 84

53 TXism: "dot the i's and cross the _____" (finalize)

54 2nd governor: George _____

55 TXism: "paint _____ red" (celebrate)

58 not credit

59 "tennis elbow" abbr.

60 buddy

61 TX Shelley Duvall was Olive _____ in "Popeye"

11 TX Hilary Duff TV show: "_____ Met Your Father"

12 sound made by Texas' "Enchanted Rock"

13 "_____ potential"

14 TX Patrick Swayze's younger brother (init.)

15 Cowboys first coach, Landry

17 TXism: "get _____ built" (be still)

19 what TX McMurtry writes mostly

20 border town in El Paso County

24 actress Long of film "Caveman" with TX Dennis Quaid (init.)

25 singer Boone who attended UNT

26 biblical dry measure

27 person who resides in Lone Star state

28 TXism: "mad _____ hen"

29 square dance move

31 Ryan of film D.O.A. with TX Quaid

32 Texas youth entry in football: _____ wee

33 TXism: "agile as a _____ hot road"

38 sparked

40 "_____ of passage"

41 lemon or lime suffix

42 this Texan recruited lots of Texans for OU (2 wds.)

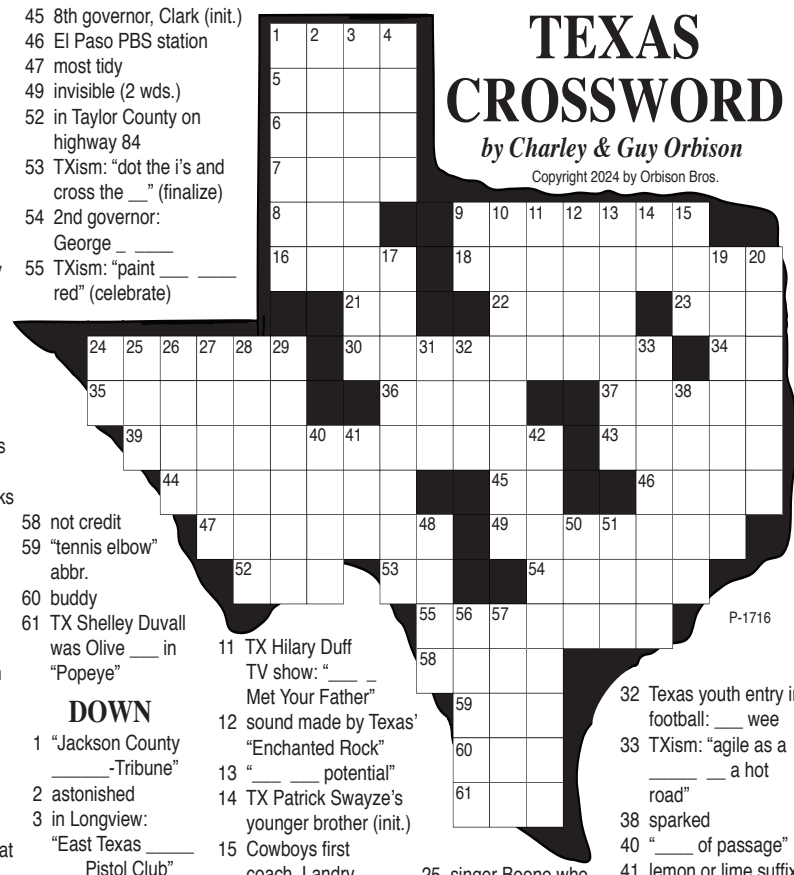
48 tech college with 11 Texas campuses

50 "dos" in Mexico

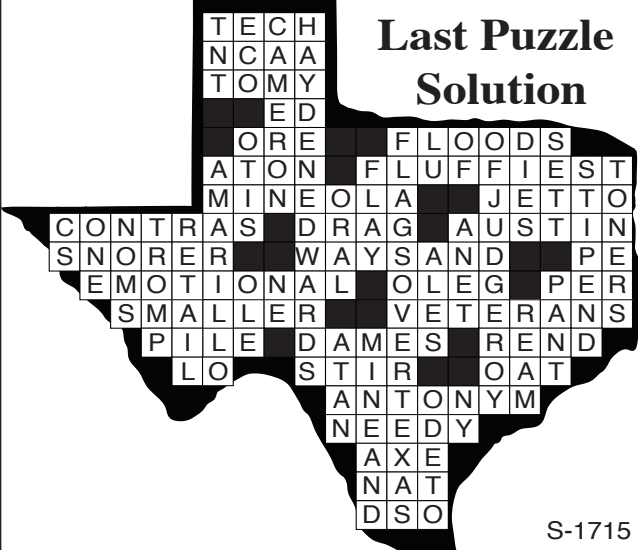
51 pig mama

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