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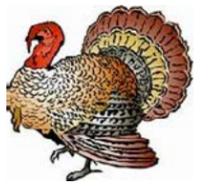
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Joe R. Morales MA, LPC *A 25-Year Journey of Empathy and Transformation in Deep East Texas*

In the summer of 1982, under the vast canopy of East Texas pine, a young Joe Morales sat on the tailgate of a pickup truck and shared dreams with his best friend. While his friend aspired to be a "music man," Joe's simple yet profound words were, "I want to help people." Little did he know that this dream would evolve into a lifelong commitment to serving the people of Deep East Texas as a licensed professional counselor for the past 25 years.

Joe's path to becoming a counselor was guided by his intrinsic qualities. He describes himself as a motivator and an inspirational figure, someone with an enduring love for people and a talent for connecting with individuals from all walks of life. His desire to help others ignited at



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Falling in Love With Texas

by Tweed Scott

Anyone who knows me knows of my absolute passion for Texas. No, I was not born here. When I am out and about doing speeches or presentations about this place I call home, I always ask the question, "Who in this room got to choose where they were born?" I never see a single hand rise into the air.

Then I am quick to point out that none of us got to choose where we were born, but we darned sure get to choose where we live and ladies & gentlemen, I am HOME. No, I did not get here as quick as I could. I got here as quick as I got sent!

I enlisted in the US Navy and went to boot camp the morning after high school graduation in New Hampshire. Frankly, the only thing I knew about Texas was what I remember watching that Walt Disney TV show back in the late 50's with Fess Parker as "Davey Crockett, King of the Wild Frontier." Who could forget that iconic scene at the end of the movie of him swinging 'Ol Betsy' on the roof of the Alamo? That's just about the extend on my knowledge of Texas at the time. My first glimpse of Texas was flying in over the outskirts of Texas and I saw cattle for the first time. Yeah, I knew nothing back then.

My feet first touched Texas soil in Corpus Christi. Soon I was on a bus en route to my duty station at NAS Kingsville. Understand, I had just turned 18 and was totally wet behind the ears. This



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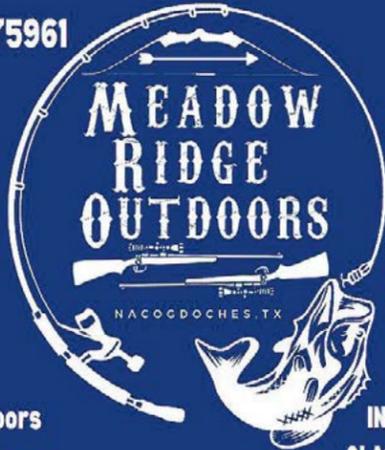


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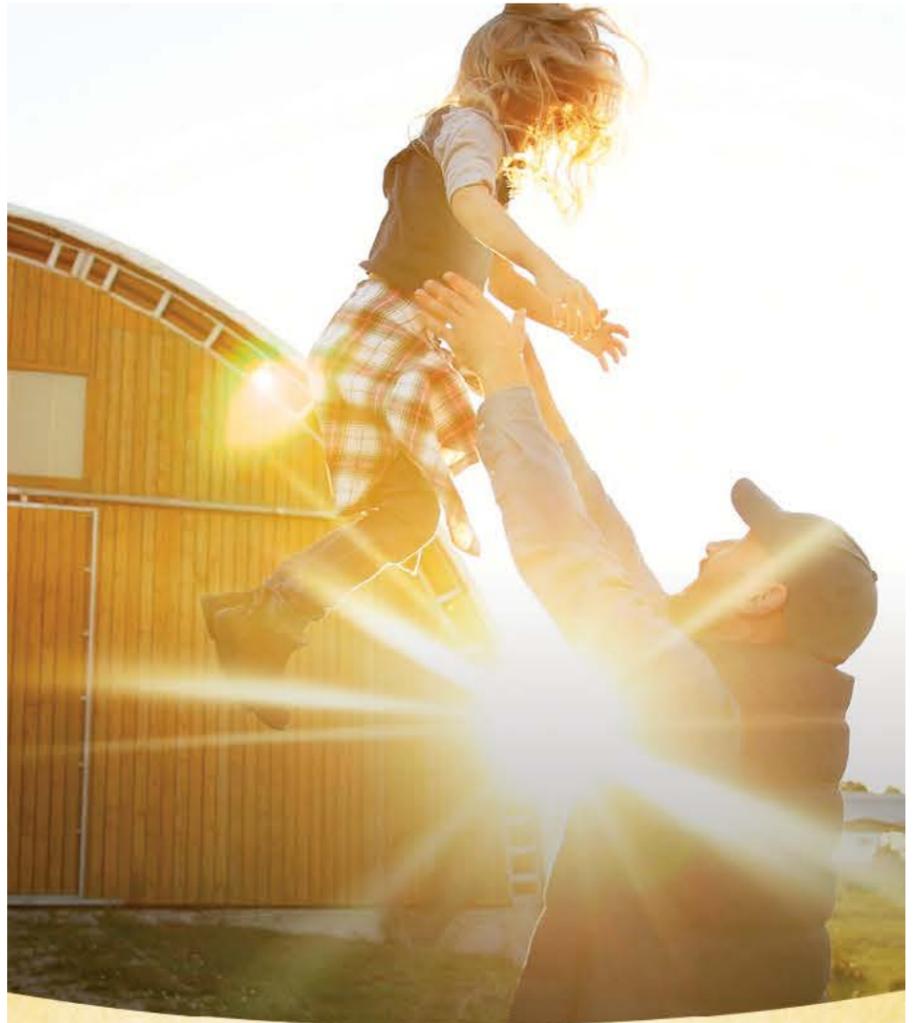
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JOE MORALES

an early age, and throughout his life, he maintained an open heart and a listening ear for those seeking support.

One of the most transformative periods in Joe's life occurred during his time living and studying in the Mississippi Delta at Delta State University. The Deep South held steadfast to a culture slow to change, and it was here that Joe gained a profound understanding of societal norms and the complexities of life. Yet, he also witnessed the early signs of a transition towards a more progressive ideology, including the integration of educational opportunities and the breaking down of social barriers. His experience as a student teacher in a segregated African American school shed light on the gradual pace of societal change, shaping his perspective on the world and his future career.

Joe's personal experiences played a pivotal role in shaping him as a counselor. He emerged from a broken home, survived childhood sexual abuse, and confronted the devastating loss of friends to suicide. These challenges, combined with his early encounters with poverty and his mother's unwavering determination to overcome obstacles, contributed to the empathetic and compassionate counselor he would become.

Throughout his life, Joe was guided by mentors, coaches, and successful individuals, including his father, who instilled in him values of determination, passion, and the pursuit of excellence. These mentors encouraged Joe to be present in the moment, commitment to the cause, being honest with oneself, to give his all and learn from ones journey, principles that continue to define his life and counseling approach.

Reflecting on his journey and the countless lives he has touched over the years, Joe expresses deep gratitude for the opportunity to serve others. He acknowledges that, while not perfect and prone to mistakes, his intentions have always been rooted in goodness. To him, understanding the human experience means feeling empathy (distinct from sympathy), being honest with oneself, and holding an unconditional positive regard for humanity—three principles that, with practice, become part of one's self-actualization.

The role of a counselor, as Joe believes, is to listen, reflect, and assist individuals in finding answers from within themselves. A counselor's worth is not measured by success stories but by the quality of the therapeutic relationship, empathy, and the ability to create a safe and supportive environment for clients.

In a heartwarming conversation with his stepmother, Linda Morales, an associate dean at SFA School of Social Work, Joe was asked why he wanted to be a counselor. His response was simple and heartfelt, "Because I want to help people." Her approving words, "That sounds good to me," capture the essence of Joe R. Morales' lifelong commitment to making a difference in the lives of those he serves in Deep East Texas.

As Joe celebrates 25 years as a licensed professional counselor, his journey of empathy, transformation, and unwavering dedication continues to inspire those fortunate enough to cross his path. He stands as a testament to the power of one person's determination to make the world a better place, one individual at a time.

Joe's career has spanned twelve Deep East Texas counties, where he has worked with various organizations and contracted with multiple school districts, skilled nursing facilities, Child Protective Services, juvenile and adult probation, various Employee Assistance Programs (EAPs), and federal contracts. He has provided counseling services to children, adolescents, and adults from diverse socio-economic backgrounds, leaving an indelible mark on countless lives.

Joe is currently practicing at Pathways Forensic and Mental Health Services in Lufkin and Nacogdoches, Texas.



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Native Texan, Rachel Perry, never thought that she would be involved in sales or in the insurance business. She was born in Garland, moved to Tyler at age one, then to Lufkin when she was in first grade. She graduated from Lufkin High School where she was a proud member of the Panther Drill Team. She continued her education at Tyler Junior College.



Her first job after TJC was for a copy machine sales company. Her boss, Jimmy Danna, treated her like he was her parent. She said that she would take messages from callers, but wouldn't get their phone numbers. "Jimmy was patient with me and I learned so much from him," Rachel said.

After her stint with the copy company, she worked at George Chandler's law office, as well as for adult probation in Lufkin. She then went to work at Victor Haley's law office in Nacogdoches. The lawyers at the firm introduced her to Hunter Perry. Rachel and Hunter have been married 23 years.

Local State Farm Agent, Jeff Kendrick, was in treatment for cancer and asked her if she would want to be involved in sales with his company. Rachel told Jeff that she was not a salesperson, but he encouraged her to try. Her first year, she sold 100 life policies and grew to love the insurance business. After she and Hunter had their first child, Sophie, Jeff persuaded his sister, Kim, to babysit Sophie so that she could continue working. After Jeff passed away in 2003, she decided to stay home with her growing family, including: Sophie, Slade and Ella.

Due to Jeff Kendrick's trust, faith and mentoring, she developed a style with emphasis on customer service. Rachel opened her own independent agency in 2017. "The easiest part is selling. Helping customers understand what they have or need and how to maximize their coverage for the least amount of money is where we excel," Rachel said. Because Rachel is an independent agent, she offers insurance from more than fifteen companies. She's now been licensed for more than twenty-five years.

She enjoys being at Lake Nacogdoches with her family, as well as attending Slade's baseball games at Garrison High School. Sophie graduated from Mississippi University, "Ole Miss," and is now attending South Texas Law School in Houston. Ella is a freshman at the University of Arkansas. Rachel's husband, Hunter, is with Mike Perry Motor Company in Nacogdoches.

Rachel has an excellent staff, including:
Lucy Garcia - "I'm a native East Texan and have been licensed for over twenty years. I started my career as a receptionist for an insurance office, quickly learned the ropes and moved on to getting my licenses. I have life, health and property licenses, so I can help with all of your insurance needs. I am very knowledgeable in all types of insurance and can advise you on what is the best coverage for your needs. I am fluent in Spanish and love spending time with my family."



Angie McClure - "I began working for Rachel in September of this year. I was born in Nacogdoches, where I attended elementary and high school. I have an Associates Degree from Angelina College. I worked for Texas Farm Bureau for fifteen years. I've been married to Carl McClure for thirty-three years. We have two children, Kelly & Wesley, and two grandsons, ages 5 and 8."



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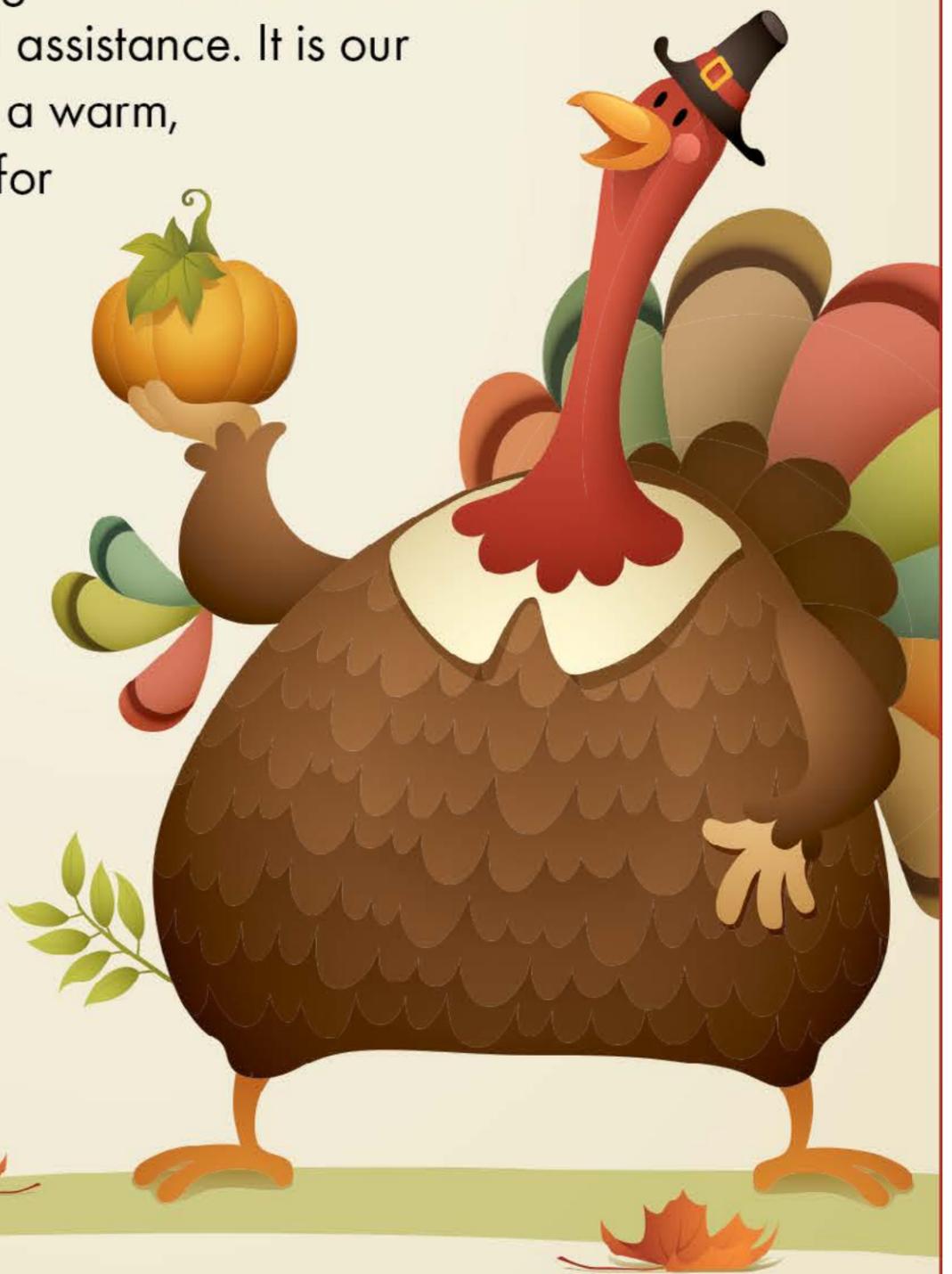
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SFA's University Series Returns With The Centennial Season

Another first will take place in the Flex Theatre on the Stephen F. Austin State University campus Nov. 2 through 5 when the musical "Once Upon a Mattress" takes the stage in the new intimate space.

SFA's School of Theatre and Dance and the School of Music will combine their talents to present Concord Theatricals' musical version of "The Princess and the Pea" in this Mainstage Series event. With music by Mary Rodgers, lyrics by Marshall Barer and book by Jay Thompson, Dean Fuller and Marshall Barer, "Once Upon a Mattress" is the first large-scale musical SFA has produced since before the Covid pandemic, according to Angela Bacarisse, professor of theatre and the show's director.

"Since this is the inaugural year for the Flex Theatre, we decided to do the musical in there instead of on Turner stage," Bacarisse explained. "This meant that we needed to choose a musical that could be produced with a musical ensemble instead of a full orchestra."

SFA's presentations of many past musicals, like "Spamalot" and "Oklahoma," featured orchestras of 25 members. "Once Upon a Mattress" will have an ensemble of eight, according to Bacarisse.

"The Flex does not have an orchestra pit, so the challenge will be incorporating space for the musicians and conductor into the set," she said.

"Once Upon a Mattress" takes place "many moons ago" in a far-off place when Queen Aggravain decreed no couples could marry until her son, Prince Dauntless, found a bride. Princesses came from far and wide to win the hand of the prince, but none could pass the impossible tests given to them by the queen. That is, until the "shy" swamp princess, Winnifred the Woebegone, showed up. Would she be able to pass the Sensitivity Test, marry her prince and help Lady Larkin and Sir Harry to the altar? Carried on a wave of wonderful songs, by turns hilarious and raucous, romantic and melodic, this rollicking spin on the classic tale "The Princess and the Pea" provides some side-splitting shenanigans.

"Once Upon a Mattress" has slightly more adult themes than "The Princess and the Pea," and it's set to music.

"I am excited because this will be the first musical I am directing since Covid hit and cancelled 'The Fantasticks' in 2020," Bacarisse said. "The School of Theatre and Dance has produced a few summer children's musicals, and a small one with '[title of show]' in Kennedy. But now we are back with a full-on musical with dancing ladies and knights."

Bacarisse said everyone will enjoy the musical, but a good "appropriate-age" estimate is for 14 and up. "As a parent myself," she added, "I think that the more adult themes will go over the heads of youngsters who will be enthralled with the pageantry and spectacle of the production."

Figuring out how to stage a musical in a brand new relatively small space will be a challenge, Bacarisse said, and they are working with "a shorter time frame to get everything up and on its feet," she said.

Bacarisse has several trained dancers in the cast, but every cast member will be dancing at some point. "Training in voice, acting and dance takes time, but having that triple threat is necessary in musical theatre," she said. "This would not be possible without our partnership with the faculty and students in the School of Music."

After local audiences see "Once Upon a Mattress," Bacarisse is confident they will have an even better understanding of "how talented our student performers, technicians and designers really are."

Done well, it may seem like magic that musical theatre happens, "but our students really put in the time and work to get everything just right for our audiences," Bacarisse said.

"Once Upon a Mattress" will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 2 through 4, and at 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 4 and 5. General admission ticket prices are: adult, \$15; senior (62+), \$10; youth (high school and younger), \$8; SFA faculty/staff, \$8; non-SFA student, \$8; and SFA student, \$5. For ticketing information or to purchase tickets, call the Fine Arts Box Office at (936) 468-6407 or (888) 240-ARTS, or visit sfasu.edu/boxoffice. For information about the play, call (936) 468-4003 or visit sfasu.edu/theatre-dance.



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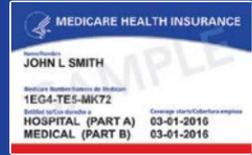




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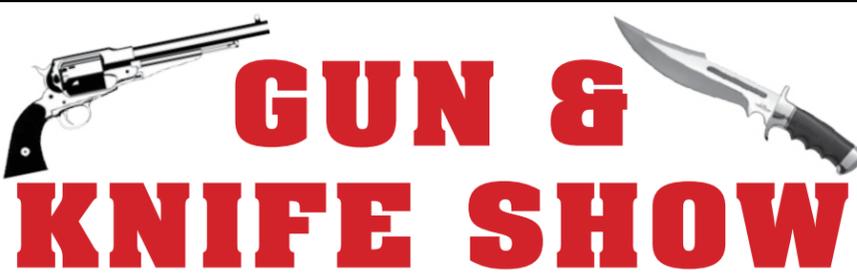
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was the first time I was this far away from home. I didn't know what to expect. In fact, it took me three weeks to muster up the courage to go into town and rub elbows with the "locals."

It was nothing like what I expected—whatever that was. I didn't really have a true expectation. I actually found it to be a bit disarming. These were wonderful people. They were warm, welcoming and friendly. In a short time I felt perfectly at home with them. They made me feel like I was welcome and a part of their circle. I fell in love with them. Suddenly, I had a new circle of friends and people took me in almost as one of their own. I began to learn a lot from them about that true Texas hospitality. I saw their clear Texas value system. These were quality people. I admired their deep faith in God. In many cases it was deeply ingrained into who they were. I wanted to be around all that.

Texans possessed a different kind of life than what I grew up with. I really liked and admired them for who they were. I knew I had found another home if I wanted it.

I was stationed in Kingsville for almost 3 years. After I was there for a couple of years, I met and fell in love with a drop dead gorgeous native Texan. You marry a Texas girl you're life is about to change forever! You are not going anywhere! It was the best decision I ever made. She taught me everything I would ever need to know about being a Texan. I will always be in her debt for that.

I intrinsically knew that anyone can be a Texan in just a couple of weeks, if you want. All you have to do to be a Texan is when you come here, assimilate. Come be one of us and not apart from us. We like our culture and pretty much resent anyone who wants to change it into some other place where they came from.

This is Texas, we may wear Cowboy hats or boots, but that is who we really are. It is not a contrivance or some kind of "put on." It is real. Texans are the "Real Deal." I may not have been born here, but I have lived here for over five decades. I love this place and it is where I intend to stay until that eternal sleep finds me. I close with a message to my family, friends and all the wonderful people I have encountered on this journey through "God's Country," thank you for being you. It is because of each of you I love this place so much.

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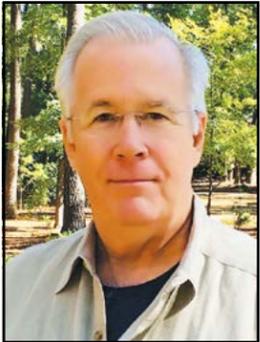
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Dinking for Dollars

by Robert McCandless

You may have driven by Maroney Park, last month, and thought there was a rock concert going on, due to the crowds and the smell of delicious pies being tossed by Revolution Road Pizza. Sorry, if you couldn't find a parking place.

As the world watches pickleball grow around the nation and across the world, Charmayne Dickhaut, with our local "Christian Men and Women's Job Corps," added to the fervor by producing a tournament attended by over three hundred participants and spectators making it one of the largest in our area, raising over \$23,000 for the non-profit. Along with veteran player and organizer, Caroline Sanchez, of Tyler, SFA volunteers, the help of Old Town Pickleball members Gail and Robert McCandless and Joe Aguilar, the beautiful weather, provided by God, made the day a big success.

Maroney Park was bursting at the seams with the parking lot full... and only the street providing relief. The two day event brought players from Ft. Worth, McKinney, Shreveport, Lufkin, Longview, Rusk and all in between, to compete for medals, as over one hundred players took to the courts in several categories of play. Six major pickleball equipment manufacturers donated over \$1,000 in paddles, bags, and other great items for raffle prizes.

"DJ Snoopy T," not only, played favorites but took requests from bystanders as some players were seen making better dance moves on the court than strategic pickleball moves, while others danced their way to victory.

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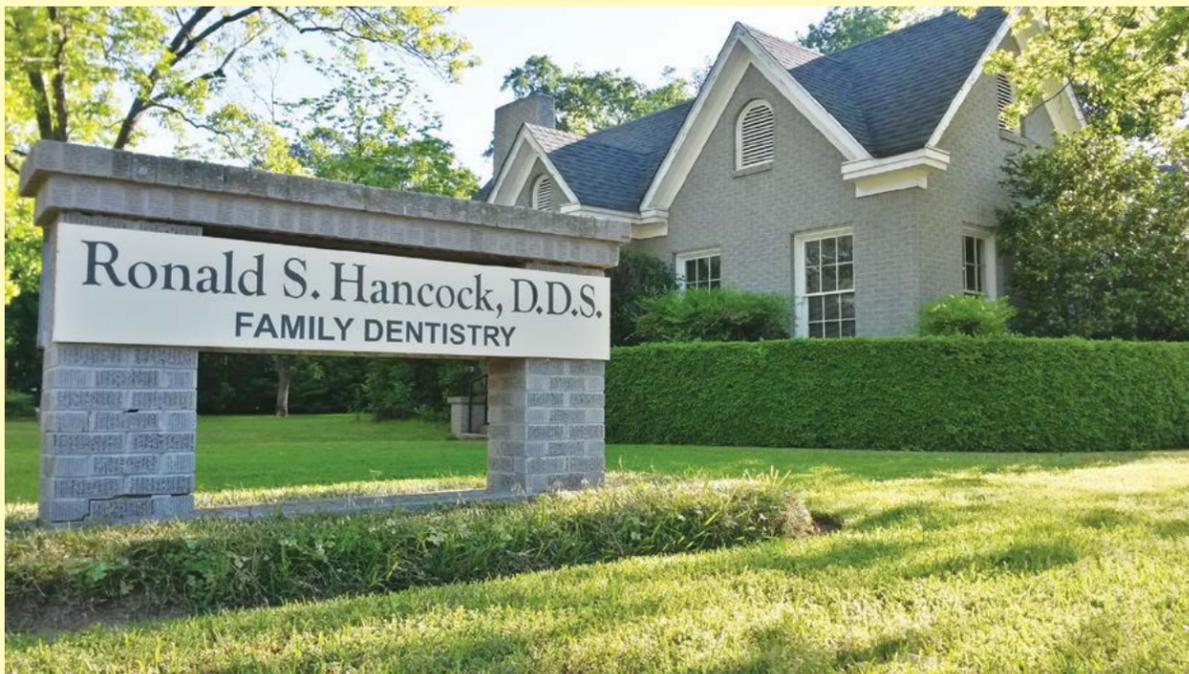
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City of Nacogdoches Welcomes New City Manager Rick Beverlin

A new era of leadership for the City of Nacogdoches begins this month with the arrival of new City Manager Rick Beverlin. Beverlin had previously served as City Manager for Leander, Texas, and will officially begin his tenure with the City of Nacogdoches on November 2nd.

“We’re extremely happy to have hired as quality a candidate as Rick Beverlin to be the next City Manager of Nacogdoches,” Mayor Randy Johnson said.

A Houston native, Beverlin served as City Manager of Leander since December 2019. Before that, he was Assistant City Manager in Galveston, where he oversaw development services, public transportation and grant management. He has also served as Economic Development Director in League City, City Administrator in Kemah and Senior Transportation Planner for the Houston-Galveston Area Council. Beverlin holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the University of St. Thomas and Master of Public Administration from the University of Houston.

“Being selected by the City Council to serve as the next City Manager of Nacogdoches is truly humbling,” said Beverlin. “Our family is grateful for the warmth and hospitality of the entire community, which genuinely cares about its unique history, and its future. To serve Nacogdoches specifically at this time, as the City seeks to ensure a vibrant local economy for its taxpayers, addressing critical infrastructure needs, maintaining a high quality of life, while also hosting a key 100-year old institution of higher learning in SFA, is the highest honor as a native Texan.”

Interim City Manager Keith Kiplinger has led the City of Nacogdoches for the past eight months after the departure of former City Manager Mario Canizares. Mr. Kiplinger will step into an advisory role to ease the transition between himself and Beverlin.

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The Lethal Lure: The Dangers of Teenagers Using Substances Containing Fentanyl

by Brandon Enos, Ed.D.
Superintendent, Cushing ISD

For most of us, our teenage years were a time of exploration, curiosity, and self-discovery. Unfortunately, these formative years are also filled with risk-taking, such as experimenting with drugs. One of the most alarming trends in recent years is the sharp increase in unknown substances, many of which are laced with the life-ending drug, fentanyl.



The Fentanyl Epidemic

Fentanyl, a potent synthetic opioid, is about 50 to 100 times more potent than morphine. The drug is used medically for pain management, particularly in severe cases. It has recently become misused and is the cause of surging numbers of overdose deaths. A deeply concerning aspect of this epidemic is the increasing prevalence of fentanyl-laced substances, especially among teenagers and young adults.

Unknown Substances

Teens are often unaware of the actual ingredients in the drugs they choose to experiment with. They may acquire these narcotics from friends, online sources, or unreliable dealers. What makes this scenario more dangerous is the unpredictable nature of fentanyl. Many substances are unknowingly laced with fentanyl, and teenagers may not have the experience or knowledge to recognize the danger.

- **Potency and Overdose:** Fentanyl is incredibly potent. Even a minuscule amount can be lethal. According to healthcare presentations I have attended, an amount the size of the tip of an ink pen can be lethal. Teenagers using substances laced with fentanyl are at risk of overdosing. A small miscalculation in dosage or a single use can lead to an overdose, with tragic consequences.
- **Inconsistent Dosage:** When substances are laced with fentanyl, the distribution of the drug within the product is highly uneven. This means that a single batch may have areas with higher concentrations of the drug, which can lead to inconsistent and dangerous effects on the unsuspecting user.
- **Hidden Danger:** The presence of fentanyl in a substance is often concealed, making it nearly impossible for users to detect. This can result in unexpected, life-threatening situations, as teenagers consume substances without knowing the risks involved.

A Growing Trend

Fentanyl-laced substances have emerged in various forms, including e-cigarettes, vapes, counterfeit prescription pills, cocaine, heroin, methamphetamine, and marijuana. The drug trade has become increasingly sophisticated, with dealers mixing fentanyl into the above-listed substances to enhance their effects, often without the user's knowledge.

The scale and rapid growth of the fentanyl crisis is reflected in the staggering rise in overdose deaths; up from 17,000 deaths in the United States in 2016 to 67,000 deaths in 2021. Data from various sources and public health agencies consistently show an alarming increase in fentanyl-related fatalities, particularly among teenagers and young adults. This is not a problem limited to one region or demographic; it is a nationwide concern that is growing each year.

The consequences of teenagers using substances laced with fentanyl are alarming. Overdose is the immediate risk, but there are also long-term concerns, including addiction and mental health issues.

Combat the Crisis

We can work to combat the growing crisis that involves abusing or unknowingly taking fentanyl. Through a multifaceted approach, we can educate, increase treatment options, and provide community support. This approach will help re-

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duce the amount and frequency of teen exposure to the drug while also providing more treatment options and support needed to discontinue the use of dangerous drugs.

- **Education:** Teenagers must be educated about the dangers of unknown substances, the risks of fentanyl, and the importance of not experimenting with drugs. Schools, parents, and community organizations can play a pivotal role in educating our youth.
- **Access to Treatment:** For those who have already fallen into addiction, accessible and effective treatment programs should be available. Reducing the stigma surrounding addiction can encourage more teenagers to seek help.
- **Community Support:** Communities should work together to provide resources for teenagers in need, offer alternatives to drug use, and create environments where young people feel supported and connected.

Conclusion

The dangers of teenagers using fentanyl is a growing and life-threatening issue. The unpredictable nature of fentanyl, coupled with the potency of the drug, makes this a crisis that demands immediate attention. Education, access to treatment, and community support are all essential components in addressing this epidemic and protecting our youth from its devastating consequences. It is our collective responsibility to safeguard the future of the next generation from the lethal lure of experimenting with substances that may contain fentanyl.

Dr. Brandon Enos is the proud superintendent and lead learner of Cushing ISD in Cushing, Texas. He is a strong advocate for Texas Public School students and teachers.



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Five-Year-Old Minds

by Taylor Millard

When I was seventeen years old, I reached the pinnacle of my knowledge. I was the most sure of myself as I would ever be. There was nothing I did not know at that age, and I was not afraid to impose my supreme intellect towards my dear mother. She could tell me nothing any longer, I was at the top of the intellectual heap... I thought. My mother soon tired of my attitude and she simply asked me to assist her in teaching five-year-olds in Sunday School.

Now there is nothing a five-year-old won't ask you. I was barraged with questions as soon as I entered their tiny chaired room. Why is the sky blue? How big is God? Who invented clothes? How come the sun comes up every day? Do trees get tired? Do you think Harold is a good dog Name?

My mother just smiled as I did my best to use my super brain to answer the avalanche of questions. I failed to keep up. I was defeated by miniature people that had only recently mastered using a crayon. After the class my mother gently looked at me and said, "How smart are you now?" A true lesson that has stuck with me for nearly fifty years.



Henry Taylor Millard, known as Taylor, to almost everyone, grew up in Nacogdoches with a story telling father and a history reading mother. Taylor is a seventh generation Texan and lives on the same family land dating back to the eighteen-thirties. He and his wife attend Old North Baptist Church that his great-great-grandmother assisted in founding in 1838.

Recently I saw a little blurb about a genius identification program launched by NASA in 1968. They used respected researchers Dr. George Land and Dr. Beth Jarman to design and implement a test that would be used to identify geniuses that NASA could recruit for rocket scientists and engineers to solve their great problems. The test was designed to select for creativity, the best marker for advanced intelligence.

They began with a group of 1600 preschoolers five years of age. The results were shocking. Ninety-eight percent were evaluated at a genius level. Yes, ninety-eight percent! Five years later they tested the same group and now the ten-year-olds were down to thirty percent genius. They did it again at fifteen and now it was twelve percent. The exact same kids, why the drop? Land and Jarman then did a broad study of a million people of an average of thirty-years-old and the test showed two percent genius.

Now what do we understand about the results of these tests? First and foremost, the five-year-olds were free of education and fear of being wrong. We teach known solutions and proven methodology to eliminate creativity. We test on answers we know not something new. George Land did a talk in 2007 that challenged his audience to reach into their five-year-old self. Their genius is still in there. We know it is. My mother knew this too.

All of our lives are spent trying to solve problems. Relationships, jobs, family, money, do I stay or change? Do what I have learned, go ask a five-year-old for advice. There's a ninety-eight percent chance they know more than you. It is a proven fact.




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An added attraction for the matinee performance on November 5th is a Coffee Bar, courtesy of Stone House Kitchen. Audience members who attend that day are invited to arrive early and enjoy one or more cups of coffee from a selection hot coffees, cold coffees, and additional flavorings before the performance and during intermission. Nita Reynolds, co-owner of Stone House Kitchen, is excited to “bless the community” by supporting Lamp-Lite Theatre with FREE coffee.



Nita Reynolds (l), co-owner of Stone House Kitchen, presents one of her specialty coffees to Nikolaas Van Kley, who portrays Dennis in SMOKE ON THE MOUNTAIN.

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Tickets for *Smoke on the Mountain* are on sale at Klines/Wrap-It-Up and the CVB. The tickets are also on sale 30 minutes prior to all performances at Lamp-Lite Theatre. Prices are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors 60+ years old, and \$8 for students/children. All seats are general seating within each reserved performance. Benefactors may reserve their seats by calling 936-564-8300 or emailing lamplitetheatre@gmail.com.

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Movin' On Up... (Part 2)

by Mike Mills

Mike Mills is a 1965 graduate of Nacogdoches High School. After careers in airline flying and FAA management, he and wife Sandy, a retired teacher, took to the road in a motorhome, writing about their journeys. Their blog, "Phannie and Mae" has had more than a million views since its inception.

In last month's column, I related the beginning of our journey in providing housing for our little family of three. In case you missed it, we discussed the progression from our first perfectly sized home to building a monstrous 3,400 square foot house on five acres out in the country. I described the folly of that adventure, as the upkeep of the house and grounds consumed all our spare time and energy. After painfully realizing the mistake, which we deemed our insane housing period, we sold the house and moved back into town until we were certain sanity had returned.



Then came a career change that required our moving to a large city, where we began house-hunting. Determined to avoid the previous housing largesse, we settled on a preowned house, relatively modest at 2,400 square feet with three bedrooms and three bathrooms...perfect for the three of us. Of great importance was that it had a very small yard, as I was still having nightmares of having spent weekends on the tractor mowing the acreage associated with our previous country "estate." This smaller house worked out quite well for several years, then came another period of insanity.

The layout of the house was very suitable for remodeling to add an additional suite for an anticipated need for keeping an elderly relative. In our reasoning, this would be a wiser financial move than paying for a senior living facility. It also would give an opportunity, coincidentally, for the upstairs master suite to be enlarged—vastly, as it turned out—to include double the current space and to add six—yes, six—clothes closets in addition to the two we already had. Even though I held an executive position at the time, my clothes could only sparsely occupy two of the eight closets. For Sandy, however, it became a challenge she was easily able to meet. I wouldn't have been surprised if another textile mill had to open somewhere in the country.

Questioning her about the disparity between my much smaller number of clothing pieces and hers was futile. "You don't understand," she would say. "Men really need only about six types of clothes. You don't have to worry about dresses, pants, shorts, suits, capris, sleeve length, the type of function, the season..." By this time, her words had trailed off in my head, and I began to wonder if I really had only six types of clothing.

We proceeded with the remodeling project and, when finished, the square footage had increased to—once again—3,400 square feet and four bathrooms for three people, just as in the previous debacle out in the country. We could even have put a pool table in the added space in the master bedroom. As it turned out, the need for extra living quarters never materialized, and our insane housing period obviously had not ended. Once again, saddled with much more house than needed, we decided to sell, vowing to get it right with the next one.

By this time, we also owned a recreational vehicle and wished to keep it at our residence instead of renting a storage facility. This configuration was incredibly difficult to find in a large city with a myriad of zoning restrictions against such a thing. After a two-year search, we located a lot in an older neighborhood where restrictions against RVs had not been foreseen; therefore, they had not been denied in the zoning. We bought it immediately. So, we would build again, finally, we thought, using at least a modicum of common sense that thus far had eluded us. Don't ask about Sandy's clothes. She would need a BIG closet.

By this time, we were empty nesters, and we hired an architect to design a house of no more than 1,900 square feet and an attached cover for a motorhome. The yard would also be a xeriscape with no need for mowing or watering. And so it was—perfection when finished; we thought it would be our forever house. However, we lived in it for eight years, until 2015. Now you'll have to catch next month's column to find out the event that brought about the most radical change yet. Were we over our insane housing period? You'll have to decide. (email: mikemills159@pm.me)

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Linda Coats is one of the vendors at **Blue Eyed Cocos Market Square** and the widow of famed local realist artist Harold Coats, who recently passed away.

Harold and Linda had an Art Gallery in Nacogdoches from 1993 – 2019. They were a team which Linda did all the custom framing for of all Harold's artwork. Prior to Harold's death, he chose to open a booth and continue selling the many framed pieces as well as prints that he had in his shop by his home. Linda is keeping his memory alive by providing his beautiful artwork available for purchase at Blue Eyed Cocos.

Harold is known to use unique smooth-brush technique using oil, watercolor and pencil. His diverse subjects include western and country scenes, Civil War generals and battles, captivating wildlife and florals. His artwork has been sold all over the world and over the years he was commissioned to do many special projects.

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NOVEMBER 9, 2023 – DAY OF HONOR FOR VETERANS & FIRST RESPONDERS Our local Heroes have done and continue to do so much for us!! Let's all take some time out to honor them and their sacrifices. The Hero Foundations' mission is to support the families of veterans and first responders of Nacogdoches County, who have been killed or injured in the line of duty, by raising and distributing funds for school, training or other unmet needs.

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Rhonda Oaks
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Time to Think About That Unwelcome Anniversary

Our mobile phones are such a big part of our lives whether we like it or not. We use them many times a day for everything from financial transactions to text messages and emails. We look at the time, the weather, read social media, check the stock market, play games, as well as make phone calls.

But there is one phone call none of us ever want to get. The news that a loved one or friend has died in a tragic accident. It happens daily on our roadways and has happened every day since Nov. 7, 2000. You will hear more in coming weeks about TxDOT's annual safety campaign End The Streak. The campaign was designed to help end the daily deaths on the roadway, and I hope you will begin to think about this unwelcome anniversary as it rolls around again.

I will release the state and local numbers of yearly fatalities in coming weeks, and I am sure they are likely to be a shocker. I have tried to think about what changed in the year 2000 as we began a new millennium, and the daily deaths began to occur.

Did we suddenly throw caution to the wind and start driving like maniacs? No seatbelts, speeding and driving under the influence were suddenly accepted? Or was it the new handy little cordless telephone that we could hold in our hands, multitasking as we drove down the road – many never arriving at their destinations because they were distracted.

Drivers have all the power to protect themselves. We at TxDOT never say 'car accident' because there is no such thing as an accident. There are just crashes and most can be avoided. When I talk to the public about crashes, many of you believe they can be avoided, but some of you are quick to say that we will never reach the goal of ending the streak of deaths on the roadways. That makes me wonder why, because I believe all we must do is change our driving habits and the daily deaths will stop.

I also believe the approach to reaching zero deaths must happen by utilizing the three E's: engineering, education, and enforcement. We have the engineering under control. TxDOT employs the most talented minds in the business to design our roadways and bridges. We also work to educate the public and our law enforcement friends work to enforce the driving laws. So, we are asking you to do your part to help us raise awareness about safe driving and finally end this streak:

- Make the best and safest decisions behind the wheel.
- Don't drive under the influence. Obey all traffic laws. Always wear a seatbelt.
- Put down that convenient little device – the mobile phone.

Prior to 2023, Texas saw more than 79,000 innocent lives lost to preventable crashes since 2000. Of those who died in the nine-county Lufkin District, many were speeding, failing to drive in a single lane, and distracted or driving under the influence.

As the latest fatality numbers are released, I hope we all begin to realize that bad driving behavior must stop. We are all a part of this community, and no one ever wants to pick up that mobile phone to take a call or see a text or email about the loss of a loved one or friend. I urge you to think of what each of us can do to finally **End The Streak**.

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“Thanking” About Thanksgiving

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 Psalm 105:1, 5 (KJV)

“REED ALL ABOUT IT!” by Dr. Allen Reed

A teacher, Lisa Trehwitt Earby of Cleveland, Tennessee, tells about reading one-on-one with a first grade student who encountered the words “thank you” for the first time in print. Hoping the student would use some of her newly learned reading strategies; Lisa gave the girl plenty of time to work out the words for herself. After a few moments, though, Lisa decided to tell her the word was “thank.” When she didn’t respond, Lisa said more emphatically, “Thank.” The little girl responded in her native Tennessee dialect, “I AM Thanking. I AM Thanking.” The little girl got “thinking” confused with “thanking.”

Dictionaries tell us that the primary sense of “thank” is “thought.” Someone does you a favor. In response you have a kind thought which may prompt expression in word or deed. Thankfulness is rooted in thoughtfulness. In the old Anglo-Saxon, “think” and “thank” were substantially the same. In fact, some scholars suggest that thank may be the past tense of think, just as drank and shrank are the past tense of drink and shrink. Thinking should lead to thanking.

Thinking of God’s numerous blessings so freely bestowed can lead to thanking God. Considering God’s favors leads to commending God. Pondering leads to praise. Remembering leads to rejoicing. Reflecting leads to reveling.

In early New England it was a Thanksgiving custom to place five grains of corn at every plate. This served as a reminder of those stern days of the Pilgrim’s first winter at Plymouth when food supplies were so low that a ration of only five grains was permitted each individual at a time. They remembered — and were thankful.

Today, maybe we ought to “thank,” I mean “think,” about Thanksgiving. The Bible says, “Oh, give thanks unto the Lord! . . . Remember His marvelous works which He has done . . .” Psalm 105:1, 5 (KJV). God is good. His blessings are many and marvelous. Let us “think” about those blessings and give “thanks” to our loving and generous God.

A LITTLE HUMOR: A grandmother had all the grandkids for a visit at Thanksgiving. Before dinner, Grandma made a lengthy speech about being thankful for her extra-special blessings, her grandchildren. Two seconds after she stopped speaking, pandemonium broke loose and the kids were yelling and grabbing for the homemade rolls. Grandma sat there, eyes closed with a tight squint on her face. Asked what was wrong she replied, “I’m just praying for a little patience to handle all these blessings.”

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If you're looking to plan your month ahead, we invite you to use our What's Happening poster (included in this issue of *Around the Town!*) to help you plan your outings with friends and family in town. If you'd like us to send this flyer to your email and receive future editions, sign up for our newsletter at visitnacogdoches.org/subscribe

Along with our favorite events like Holiday in the Pines, Merry Christmas Market and Wassail Fest, we're counting down the days to the Nacogdoches Nine Flags Lighted Christmas Parade! This year the parade will take place on Saturday, December 2nd at 6:30pm. If you haven't heard the news, this year there will be a different parade route. But this is a welcome change, and we're excited to announce that we'll be providing entertainment, food trucks and vendors at this year's event! The premier location to watch the parade will be at Festival Park in Downtown Nacogdoches. You can find the route and more details at visitnacogdoches.org/nine-flags

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Homemade Hand Puppets

by Jim Garrett

Mary Beth, whom I identified as an accomplished seamstress in last month's article, made Easter dresses for our girls and even a Dr. Doolittle costume for our son in the school play. She pointed out to me just this morning that it was at that time she learned to peck-away, peck-away on her projects. Her only time to sew when our children were younger was the thirty minutes or so that she had while they took their naps.



Jim and Mary Beth Garrett

Every family has a story; ours is no exception. Our daughter, Wendy, taught kindergarten at Christ Episcopal School. She asked her mother to make her a hand-puppet for her class. Mary Beth agreed, got a pattern, and began work on the puppet. I might point out that MB's puppets covered the whole hand and were similar to those seen on *Sesame Street*. Very shortly thereafter, Wendy was in a hurry to get off one morning and asked her mother for the puppet. Mary Beth objected to her taking it since it was not quite finished; it lacked a tongue. "MOTHER!!", exclaimed Wendy, "The children will NEVER KNOW!!" Wendy took the puppet to school and introduced it to her class. The first rattle out of the box, a child asked for the puppet to open its mouth so they could see its TONGUE! Wendy just knew that fly up there on the wall HAD to be her mother! Wendy very quickly adjusted to the situation and made it a learning experience. Wendy had the puppet shake its head "No" and then open its mouth to reveal the lack of a tongue. She went on to tell the children that not only was the puppet mute but it was deaf also. At that point she introduced the children to some basic words in sign language. For the remainder of the semester, the children "talked" to the puppet using sign language exclusively. Following that puppet, Mary Beth made numerous others for Wendy's class – all with tongues, I might add.

Prior to her teaching biology classes at SFA, Mary Beth held a number of other positions in the university. She began by cleaning potties in the women's restrooms in Kinesiology, working in Guidance and Counselling, assisting in the internal auditor's office, and finally serving as the Executive Assistant in Continuing Education. It was in her latter position in Continuing Education that she had an African-American student assistant. The young lady asked Mary Beth if she would make **her** a hand puppet who was black. MB agreed and made her one, complete with Dred-locks! The day Mary Beth presented the puppet to her assistant, her young friend put the puppet on her hand and began to make it dance and wiggle with some moves that none of the others in the office could even remotely emulate. The young woman obviously was thrilled with her gift.

Personal Privilege: Thanksgiving is a wonderful doorway to the holiday season. At this time, if at no other, families gather to celebrate this tradition together. It is a time of being thankful for the marvelous blessings we have received from the hand of God this past year. Stories are told of past memories and anecdotes are reminders of previous times of fun and excitement.

What if, Dear Readers, this past year has **not** been good to you? What if you do not have family close by that can be with you? Is that an excuse to just give up? Not at all!! One of the functions of *Around the Town* is to offer you encouragement through uplifting articles. Mary Beth and I hope that what we have written this year has, at least, put a smile on your face. As I now sit sketching out future articles, please know that I am thinking of you.

We are thankful to you, Dear Readers, who have been aware of my and Mary Beth's challenges and have prayed for us. After twenty plus years of lying dormant, my prostate cancer has reared its ugly head. Mary Beth was diagnosed earlier in the year with breast cancer. She had a lumpectomy followed by radiation and is now in the midst of a chemotherapy protocol. When one is young, one never envisions the day will come that they and the love of their life will share the same oncologist!!

We were devastated in early August when we learned that our precious, eighteen-year-old, granddaughter was a passenger of a car involved in a head on collision with a pickup truck. Many prayers went up that evening when we were told that her chance of making it through the night was practically zero. Mary Beth and I prayed fervently until 3 am when we both fell asleep waiting for "the call." But the call never came. Our son and daughter-in-law's church had a prayer vigil the next night and there was standing room only. Elizabeth has had numerous surgeries and with each one, appears to be gaining strength. As I write this article, she is beginning physical therapy which has its own challenges. God is answering prayers – maybe not all of them at once – but He is answering prayers!!

Maybe God is calling you, Dear Reader, to be a prayer warrior and lift others up during this very holiday season. Just maybe.

From Mary Beth and me, **Have a Happy Blessed Thanksgiving!!**

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Cheryl Brady is a native of El Dorado, Arkansas. Following graduation from college as a ROTC Distinguished Military Graduate (DMG), she went on to serve twenty-eight years as a U.S. Army logistics officer, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel. She was transplanted from Washington State by the hand of the Lord to Nacogdoches in May 2019. She has grown to love this oldest town in Texas. She is a Bible teacher, published author, and motivational speaker who loves to encourage folks with the Word of God.



The Joy of Forgiveness and Forgiving

There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more? Simon answered and said, “I suppose the one whom he forgave

more.” And [Jesus] said to him, “You have rightly judged” ...Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much.” Luke 7:41-43, 47 NKJV

Have your many sins been forgiven by Jesus? Do you love much as a result of His forgiveness? Love and forgiveness are inseparable in the lives of born-again Christians. Yet we tend to compartmentalize life where love and forgiveness are concerned. Forgiveness is a great test and testimony of the Christians’ faith and love for Christ and man.

Christians implore sinners to repent and believe on the Lord Jesus Christ to receive forgiveness for sins. Yet we struggle with obedience to forgive others primarily because our minds are plagued, vexed, and consumed with the offense(s) and the offender rather than with Christ. Unforgiveness is in direct opposition to Christ’s command. Unforgiveness is rooted in pride. Unforgiveness indicates spiritual captivity. Christ came to set captives free. Unforgiveness is sin. Do not let sin control the way you live. Sin welds its power over Christians who disobey God by withholding forgiveness, not willing to humble ourselves under His mighty hand. We must deny the flesh the power of past offenses to control us (See Rom 8:5). Can you “[sing] to God with gratitude in your hearts” (Col. 3:16) for forgiveness while withholding the same from others? It’s hypocrisy.

Our obedience to Christ does not erase the offender’s accountability to God. Therefore, when a debt is created by an offense, the only option for Christians is to surrender the debt by releasing it to Christ. Because Christ is in the believer, whatever is said to you is said to Christ and whatever is done to you is done to Christ. It is not you who live but Christ lives in you. Forgiveness is an attitude of the heart, an act of will. Forgive as Jesus forgave you. Love as Jesus has loved you.

The Bible says, “Oh, what joy for those whose disobedience is forgiven, whose sins are put out of sight. Yes, what joy for those whose sin is no longer counted against them by the Lord” (Rom. 4:7-8 NLT). Manifest your joy in Christ by showing offenders you have been forgiven much; remembering, love covers a multitude of sins. A mind transformed with biblical truth allows the Holy Spirit to empower change in the way we think about offenses. (Memorize Isa. 26:3; Rom. 12:1-2; Phi.1 4:8; Col. 3:12-14).

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by Deborah Chaddwick, Director

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We will be kicking off the holiday shopping on November 14th with a Jingle and Mingle shopping event from 4-8pm. Visit all the participating shops and you will be eligible to win a huge gift basket! Come join us for a fun evening out and get a jump start on your Christmas list.

White Cottage Mercantile is hosting a Business After Hours on November 16th from 5pm-6:30pm. It will be well worth a trip to Center to visit White Cottage. The theme is Disco! Come ready to shop, eat and just have fun. White Cottage Mercantile is located at 401 Hurst Street – look for the big pink bunny.

Our Annual Taste of the Holidays will be on Thursday, November 30th at the Windham Civic Center from 4:30-7:30. It is a great way to sample foods from our local restaurants, caterers and retail members. The food is always delicious! Come back and join us for our lighted Christmas Parade on December 2nd. It's always a huge event. This year's theme is A Fairy Tale Christmas.

I wish everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving with friends and family.

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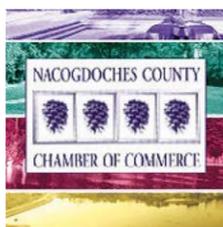
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Chamber Connection
by C. Wayne Mitchell
IOM, President & CEO,
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Chamber Sponsorship Opportunities!

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I am excited that we already have our entire year of Alive After Five programs sponsored. In addition, many of our past sponsors have stepped forward to confirm as well.

Our many sponsors help to support our ambitious program of work and allows us to innovate them every year. The Chamber offers business members the opportunity to sponsor many programs. Our goal is to provide them with outstanding promotion and exposure and include them in our social media, print and website platforms.

Many of our sponsors have been supporting us for years and we are grateful for their investment.

Programs like Chamber Days in Austin; the Lone Star Legislative Summit; the Texas Blueberry Festival and the Blueberry Golf Bash are just a few of the programs available for members to sponsor.

Program sponsorships are limited. We offer these first to past sponsors and then open sponsor opportunities to new members. Sponsorships are offered on a first come, first serve basis.

“I am very pleased that so many of our past sponsors have elected to continue their support for our Chamber programs and events” said C. Wayne Mitchell, President & CEO. “I believe that this is evidence that the community and membership appreciates and values what we are doing.”

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Asking Directions

by Neal Murphy

Neal Murphy grew up in the small town of San Augustine, Texas. He and wife Clara have two grown children. Moving back after retiring, now with five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, he began, as a hobby, writing short stories of humorous things that he observed over the years. He was an ambulance driver in college, worked for two funeral homes, then spent over forty years in the insurance business. He also writes stories of his forty-four years as a state certified police officer working for seven different departments. After living in five different states, he is now retired back in San Augustine and has his stories printed in seven different newspapers, and published five books. He is a graduate of Stephen F. Austin University, and the Insurance Institute of America. He is a Deacon in a Baptist Church and former Sunday School Teacher for many years, as well as Choir Director at several churches. He is also the docent in the 1919 Jail Museum in San Augustine and works three days a week. He was the director of the restoration of the old county records dating back to the 1800s.



According to countless frustrated spouses, men seem to suffer from an irrational resistance to stopping to ask directions when lost in strange territory. That this trait is shared by most, if not all men, and has proven so resistant to the attempted behavior modifications and downright nagging of so many women, suggests a genetic predisposition. I have discovered that the reason is that men just don't feel they are lost.

Another reason that I have discovered is that the action of stopping and asking directions is fruitless and a waste of time. The last few times that I have stopped at the nearest convenience store to ask directions I was met with:

- a. The clerk just arrived from outer Mongolia and could not speak English well enough to assist, or
- b. The manager had only been there for one week and knew nothing about the city, or
- c. The person did not know where he was himself, so how could he help?

Apparently schools do not teach students how to give directions any longer. I recall being specifically taught how to do that in school.

According to the scientists who have studied things like this, this behavior in men goes way back to the "hunter/gatherer" days. In pre-historic days, the men were the hunters of food, the women and children were the gatherers of what the man produced. The hunter, of necessity, would travel a long distance, perhaps in uncharted territory, in search of where the deer and antelope played.

The hunters needed a greater spatial understanding of their surroundings. Since the behaviors of their prey were heavily influenced by the terrain, the stalking hunter needs to know not only his own location and the location of the prey, but also the nature of the area in which the prey will be found. Stopping and asking directions would be a meaningless exercise for hunters. Hunting tends to be an undertaking where only the first hunters on the scene have any opportunity. After the first hunters do their thing, the game is either dead or long gone. So by definition, if there is someone available of whom directions can be asked, it's no longer worth doing. Success as a hunter required being able to find your own way.

It is worthy to note here that down through most of humanity's past, women have selected as fathers of their children those men who appeared to possess the best skills as a hunter, men who were genetically adapted to not asking questions.

In the past, travelers wandering lost in the wilderness were considered intrepid explorers and lauded as heroes. How could there have been an age of discovery if men asked directions and accurately navigated to only those known locations they intended to visit? Only by accidentally making enough wrong turns and doggedly proceeding with great conviction far enough in the wrong direction can one discover that which is by definition unknown.

It has been said that men created maps so they wouldn't have to ask directions. The great voyages of discovery were launched specifically to plot the world and fill in the gaps in the maps. We all know that most women cannot read maps correctly, so they would be of no help.

So before denigrating men for possessing a trait that seems out of place in our modern partly civilized world, remember that this world that makes men seem out of place is largely a direct result of that very trait. Remember also that we are poised on the brink of becoming a space faring species. There aren't any convenient gas stations out there in space at which to stop and ask directions. In space we will once again need those men who can find their own way, even if they often don't end up where they thought they were headed.

One last thought – I have discovered that when a man is giving you directions and he says turn left, but his hand simultaneously points right, always follow the way the hand moved and you won't get lost.

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The Undiagnosed Symptoms of Cabin Fever

by Steven Martin, *Owner of Martin Kennel*

In humans, the signs are obvious. We get restless. We binge watch. We forage for snacks. But believe it or not, cabin fever affects pets, too. And the symptoms can range from obvious to somewhat hidden. Before we examine three such signs that your dog may be suffering from the very real scourge of cabin fever, we would like to subject you to a plug for Martin Kennel. With two locations being Nacogdoches and Center, Texas. We have three trainers where a class and/or training session



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To continue, symptoms of cabin fever. Let's get to the list. And by all means, if you've noticed the manifestation of cabin fever in your home, feel free to



share your own experiences. In the meantime, here are three scenarios to consider:

Pillow Mutilation: When investigating signs of cabin fever, you may consider taking a look at your throw pillows. If you're unable to locate them, cabin fever may be to blame. If you can find them, but they're not poised in their normal, well-defined, nicely fluffed positions, there's a chance they were displaced by a cabin fever sufferer. Should your throw pillows appear to have had their contents removed and spontaneously disintegrated, or noticeable irritation between house mates, we feel there is cause for concern about cabin fever.

Unavoidable Hair Loss: Not yours, but your pet's. You may find more hair adorning your floors and furniture than you are accustomed to seeing. Sweaters may become compromised. Tumbleweed-like rolls may begin bouncing through your peripheral vision. This is likely caused by over exposure to furnace heat and a lack of running around, rolling and general frolicking. Fortunately, you already know where to find the antidote for these issues.

Subtle Resentment: This is the most difficult to detect. It's also the most devastating. Your pet loves you. Don't worry. But discontent may surface in the forms listed above, increased feistiness or, gasp, a lack of enthusiasm toward you. Again, this is rare. But subtle resentment is something that must be remedied right away.

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Millard's Crossing News and Calendar

Good Day Readers,

Millard's Crossing Historic Village is a wonderful place to bring you family to have a picnic, look at historical buildings, or come out to one of our events. We have been going through renovations, adding restrooms with changing stations, and remodeling the Millard Lee House. We continue to make the improvements so Mrs. Lera Thomas' vision can live on for years to come.



I have had the privilege of working here as their Executive Director now for two years, we have a great team of volunteers and an awesome staff. Our Board, staff, and our volunteers truly care about Millard's Crossing and it shows. Our staff and volunteers work long hours working on our core events together, which include decorating, making ready the craft boxes, delivery to the craft building also known as the Carriage House, set up, and tear down. This is for our Easter, Halloween, and Christmas events. We have additional opportunities for you to come out and have a taste of Millard's Crossing with showcase get togethers such as: music jams, painting fun, canning classes, and more.

We love to have the schools out here for field trips, we meet them at the bus, give them a little instructions, let them meet the volunteers that will be demonstrating the activities, and then the fun begins. Please ask your school about a field trip to Millard's Crossing, we will be happy to have an educational fun field day with your children, as they receive a glimpse of what it was like to live in the past. Brings a smile to my face when one of the students, when asked, what do you think this room was used for, (this is in the Dog Trot), they look around and see a table set with dishes, fruit in bowls, but have a questioning look on their face. Some will say kitchen, but then wonder where the fridge or stove is. The boys getting a kick out of doing laundry, not in a washing machine, but on a scrub board. Yes, I did say boys, they enjoy it, as well as the girls. To see a different appreciation of days long gone and the way they react is an awesome feeling. We have room for your classes to have a picnic and most bring picnic blankets and have lunch in front of the office. Our store caters to what is in for children today as well as old fashioned toys and books, come see us at the gift shop on your next visit. So, please remember us for your next field trip.

Our events help us be able to keep our cost down for school field trips and for people to be able to come and visit. Our SPONSORS: 5 NIBCO, CBTX, Tipton Ford, NJF, Badders Law, Brookshires, MedPost, ETX Realty, Loblolly Properties, Charles Pool Real-estate, UBank, Austin Bank, BP Photography, Harry Building Materials, Charles and Lois Marie Bright Foundation, and so many more, allows us to charge a price that is easy for families to afford. Our events cover everything from entrance into Millard's Crossing, crafts, pony rides, Shows, photos with Santa, candy, demos, face painting, hayrides, petting zoo, bounce houses, and so much more. We have added additional items that will have a small extra cost, Competitions, and other small items.

Upcoming Events:

Christmas, Old Fashioned Christmas – NEW DATE AND TIMES December 9, 2023, 2:00-9:00pm visit our website and Facebook pages.

Lamplite will be performing 3 shows 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00PM, music, Santa, Christmas Tree Special Lighting *** You will have an opportunity to buy an ornament to place on the Tree with a special Blessing you write for yourself or someone else, Music and more. OUR COMPETITIONS we will be having will be GINGERBREAD HOUSE, COOKIE, and WASSAIL, please call office, visit our website and or Facebook page for more information. Please come out and see us on our new date and times.

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Have a great month,

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A Little Bit of History



If you wonder why my perspective is skewed, the reason is that I was born cross-eyed.

Calming Down My Readers

Now that we are well into the football season, I wanted to sit down and write out for my readers exactly why I never went to the NFL so that they would not continue to be overwrought with anxiety. Surely, you all have considered me a prime candidate for such advancement. Here it is, instant relief in as few words as I can write it. The truth is that my football career was stopped before it ever got started.

Between my seventh and eighth grade years, I considered going out for the eighth-grade football team, the one that Joe Groves, Louis Phillips, and Clyde Bond coached. I had demonstrated for years in my neighborhood near Calvary Baptist Church how tough I was, what with tackling the likes of Loyd Minshew, Mike Gibson, Ronnie and Mickey Chumley, Steve Finley, and Miles Kimling. So, I scored way up there in the true grit category, but my two biggest problems were height and weight at thirteen. Two years later, at fifteen, when I received my driver's license, my stature was only five feet two inches, and my girth totaled only ninety-seven pounds. I don't remember exactly how tall I was at thirteen, but I do remember I only weighed eighty-five pounds. Dutifully, before school began in the summer, I appeared at the practice field over by the old Panther football stadium to start working out, i.e., playing football with others who were going out for the team. I will never forget the moment when I met Larry Miley, an upperclassman who I believe was a Lufkin Panther lineman. He looked at me and, without hesitation, said: "What are you? A rat!" a nickname that stuck with me for the rest of my high school days. My friends loved to parade that out at the most embarrassing moments, and they applied it to other things I was connected with. For example, once I started driving, I drove the family car, a white '60 Plymouth Fury with a button drive and red interior, which had fins; they called it the Ratmobile or the White Winged Warrior.

Once I began comparing my size to the others going out for the team, I could see that my chances of playing were not very good. The clincher, as I compared was Roy Due: already in the eighth grade, Roy was six foot two and weighed two hundred thirty pounds. I thought: If he falls on me, I'm dead. So wisely, I believe, I decided not to go out for the team, and David Anderson, Gus Boesch, and I became the eighth-grade football managers, which was the most thankless job I have ever had. The players were not exceptionally rude; they just took us for granted. It's like they say in ministry: You know you are a servant when people start treating you like one.

Our first task in August, when we began the job, was to clean off the shoulder pads in the heat stored in a room on the side of Shands Gymnasium. Every school day, we finished our duties after practice by mopping the dressing room floor; I usually got through at 7 p.m., but I still had enough energy left to wrestle with Larry Caples.

Larry Caples has recently told me they had a hundred-pound rule that would have prevented me from playing, and now I wonder how Larry passed muster with that rule in place.

So there you have it, in a nutshell, why I never made it to the NFL. If you want to write me thank you letters for quelling your anxiety, the address is 807 Fuller Springs Drive Lufkin Texas 75901. My email address is dixonhershel51@aol.com, and my cell number is (936) 671-1419.



Kissin' Kuzzins By Dickie Dixon

(1) William "Bunkie" Damrel's book "Call Tales" will be available soon, covering his glimpse of the sawmill town Call, Texas, where he moved when he was six months old for his father to serve as the commissary manager. To order your copy for \$25, including postage, contact Katie Moak at (409) 988-4981.

(2) Judith Taylor Kimball will present "Highlights from the Life of Thomas Charles Holmes" to the Deep East Texas Archeological Society at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, November 6, 2023 at the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church on 308 High Street in Newton. Her presentation will draw the high spots from her book published this year entitled "Thomas Charles Holmes, Goldie's Legacy." Refreshments and desserts will be ready for guests and members to enjoy at 5:30 p.m. Ruth Dusan will conduct a short business meeting, this time only, after her presentation.

(3) Kyle Ainsworth, SFASU archivist, will discuss "The Texas Troubles" for the November 20, 2023 regular monthly meeting of the Angelina County Genealogical Society held at the Community Meeting Room of Kurth Memorial Library on 706 South Raguet Street in Lufkin at 4:30 p.m. Joan Smith will have the desserts and refreshments ready at 4:30 p.m. Secretary of ACGS will be in charge of the meeting in Dickie Dixon's absence.

For more information, contact Dickie Dixon at (936) 671-1419 or dixonhershel51@gmail.com

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Tue 7th	Guacamoles	Lufkin	6:00 pm
Wed 8th	Private Party	_____	_____
Tue 14th	Guacamoles	Nacogdoches	6:00 pm
Wed 15th	Tia Juanitas	Lufkin	6:00 pm
Thu 16th	Ralph & Kacoos	Lufkin	6:00 pm
Fri 17th	Dance Club	Lufkin V.F.W.	7:00 pm
Sat 18th	Car Show	Crockett	10:00 am
Tue 21st	Guacamoles	Lufkin	6:00 pm
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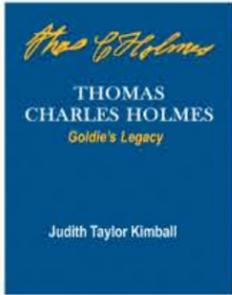
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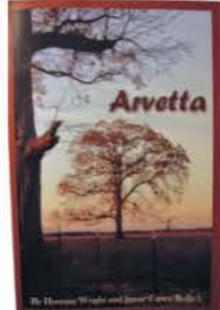


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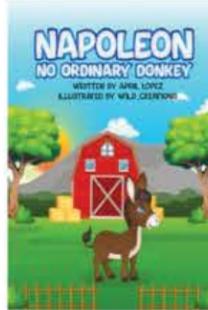
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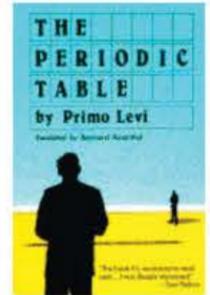
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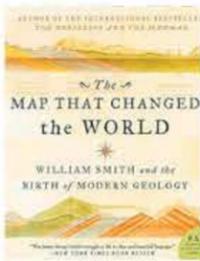


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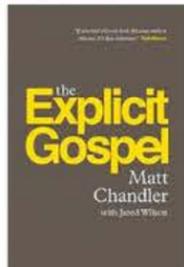


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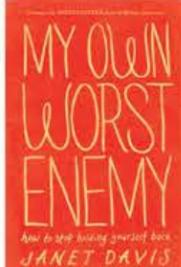
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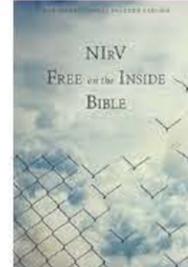
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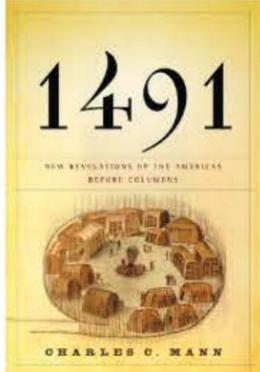


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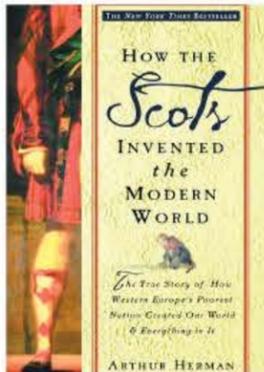


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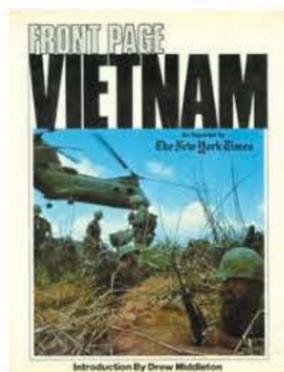
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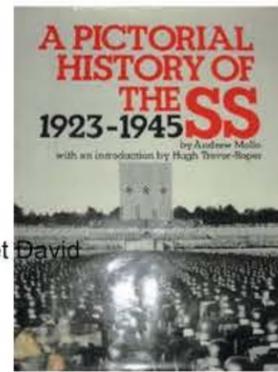
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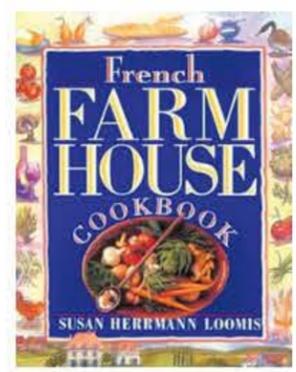
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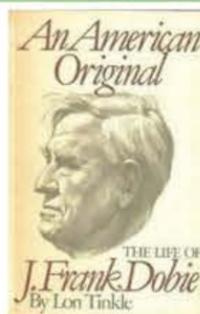


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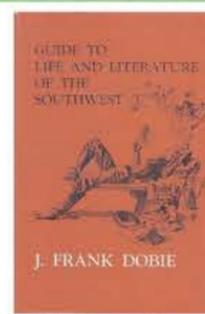


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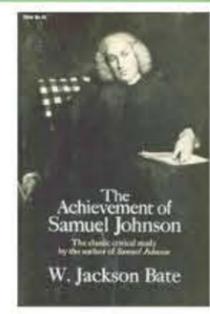
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NAC ARTS COLLABORATIVE News

NAC is proud to announce the opening of our new location at 411 E. Hospital Street! There will be a soft opening Friday, November 17, 6:30-8:30pm with a Michelle Filer painting exhibition, a delightful collection of colorful paintings with some faces you might recognize. The following day, November 18, 11-4, NAC will host a special edition ArtWalk geared toward emerging artists. Details for artists to participate in ArtWalk can be found on our website www.nacartscollab.com. Information to sign up for vendor spaces at Winter Workshop vendor fair, December 2, 10-3 can also be found there. Information on art classes is coming soon!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 25, 11-4 for our GRAND OPENING! This event coincides with Main Street's annual Wassail Fest and we are hosting Gerry Larabee's multi-award winning wassail recipe. Stop by and see how your donations support the arts in our community. Save the date: Saturday, February 10 - **Amethyst Ball II - Under the Big Top.**

NOVEMBER Artist Spotlight - Meet Cindy Grayson!



Cindy Grayson singing

You've probably seen her singing with her guitar at the Nacogdoches Farmer's Market on Saturday mornings or the Bosslight Bookstore in the afternoon. Or performing al fresco at Art Walk. Cindy Grayson is a well-known singer/songwriter in our town with a beautiful alto voice. But did you know that she's also a talented studio artist?

She creates her works of art in a variety of media, including paint and pencil, in her home studio. "It's so different from performing, because you're alone. There's no audience. But it still feeds my creative drive." Horticulture is

another one of Cindy's passions, and it led her to making art with dried gourds, including wonderful birdhouses and fancy hand-carved and painted containers that would add grace to any lady's vanity table.

Born in Afghanistan to American parents, Cindy grew up seeing the world. After living in multiple locations both abroad and stateside, her family came to Nac after both parents accepted jobs at SFA. Although her musical background includes classical piano and violin, Cindy's guitar is her signature instrument and she's largely self-taught. "Music touches people," said Cindy. "It's one of the reasons I love it." She is one of the original volunteers for the Nacogdoches Arts Collaborative and we salute her dedication to leading a full creative life.



Carved gourd

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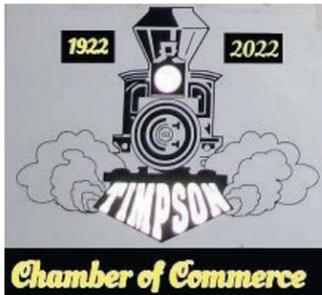
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In the Loop... Expo Center in Lufkin

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Greetings from the Expo!

We are certainly glad to see the cooler weather get here and I'm sure you are as well. We are in the middle of the Fall youth rodeo season. In general, the schedule for youth rodeo tracks right along with the school calendar. Lots of events August–November, a short December hiatus and busy January–May.

In fact, we have lots of new contestants and their families travel to Lufkin from as far as Mississippi and south Louisiana. Many of the families we see are visiting the Lufkin Expo for the first time. It is good to see new young contestants and their families getting involved in rodeo.

I'm not sure how many of you know this, but in the rodeo world, horse trailers with RV type living quarters built in have pretty much become the standard way for contestants and their families to travel and compete. Many of the rigs have slide out rooms, full kitchens and bathrooms with very stylish interiors. In addition, they can haul 3-4 horses as well. Most are 24 to 36 feet long. As you can imagine, it creates a cowboy traffic jam at our facility when you consider the tow vehicles along with the trailers. Each rig requires at least a 30 amp (in many cases, 50 amp) plug to operate. We have 94 hookups and during our last Pineywoods Youth Rodeo Association event, we had almost every spot filled and requests for more. Luckily, most of the rigs have on board generators and can park remotely.

As of January 1, 2024 the Expo will become a county operated facility. This is a great benefit to the community as we have the benefit of county resources and equipment. We look forward to being able to host more and bigger events to Lufkin.

Make plans to come out and attend.

As always,

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Celebrating Excellence in Business and Healthcare

by Amanda Crocker
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Lufkin/Angelina County Chamber of Commerce is all set to host the **3rd Annual Celebrate Business: Chamber Business Awards**, an evening where outstanding businesses, organizations and individuals will be recognized and honored for their remarkable efforts in shaping and enriching the community.

Scheduled for November 9, 2023, at The Pines Theater in downtown Lufkin, this event promises an evening of celebration, gratitude, and recognition. At 6 PM, the doors will open, welcoming guests from across the community, with the ceremony scheduled to commence at 6:30 PM.

The chamber's mission to honor excellence and dedication to the community is reflected in the array of awards that will be presented at this prestigious event. The awards span across a spectrum of categories, ensuring that businesses of all sizes and healthcare professionals are appreciated for their unique contributions.

The Business of the Year category is divided into three distinct segments - Small Business of the Year (1-10 employees), Medium Business of the Year (11-50 employees), and Large Business of the Year (51+ employees). This thoughtful categorization ensures that the chamber acknowledges the unique challenges and achievements of businesses operating at different scales.

In addition to celebrating businesses, the chamber recognizes the pivotal role played by nonprofits in supporting the community. The Nonprofit of the Year award acknowledges these organizations' tireless efforts to make a difference in the lives of those they serve.

Healthcare, often described as the lifeblood of any community, also takes the center stage with the Salute to Healthcare awards. These categories include Nurse of the Year, Healthcare Professional of the Year, Lifetime Achievement in Medicine, and Individual of Merit, recognizing individuals and teams that go above and beyond to ensure the well-being of the community.

Adding to the depth of recognition, the Advocate for Opportunity and Diversity in Business awards have been introduced this year. These awards will honor individuals and organizations that have demonstrated an exceptional commitment to fostering inclusivity, diversity, and equal opportunity in the business world. Their efforts not only create a more equitable workplace but also serve as an inspiring example for others.

To ensure a comprehensive selection process, the chamber has encouraged the community to participate actively by nominating deserving candidates. Nominations were submitted during the month of October. This allowed ample time for community members to put forward the names of businesses, individuals, and healthcare professionals who have made a significant impact.

The **2023 Celebrate Business: Chamber Business Awards** ceremony is not just a night of recognition; it's a celebration of the community's resilience, collaboration, and vision for a better future. By highlighting the achievements of these remarkable businesses and individuals, the Lufkin/Angelina County Chamber of Commerce reaffirms its commitment to creating a thriving, interconnected, and vibrant community.

As the spotlight shines on the award recipients and nominees, the event serves as an inspiration for others to follow suit. It encourages businesses, nonprofits, healthcare professionals, and advocates to continue their pursuit of excellence and their mission to uplift and enrich the lives of the people of Lufkin and Angelina County.



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The **Texas Star Retail Store** has all sorts of fabulous clothes, candles, gift items. Texas Star is also one of the prime San Augustine locations for buying your hunting license. Down the street, the **San Augustine Drug Company** is not just a pharmacy. They have gift items of every kind, Brumate, Consuela brand purses, and bags, Ivy Jane, and bogg bags. While you're in the drug store, ask for their famous Grapefruit Highball. It has been a local treat from the drug store's old time soda fountain for 90+ years. On the other side of the town square, **Heart Strings of Texas** is a full boutique as well as the only flower shop in town. They have all your gift needs from nice clothing and home decor.

San Augustine is a must see town that is already working on decorating the Courthouse Square for Christmas and putting on the **San Augustine Main Street Lighted Christmas Parade** on December 1, 2023, on the Square starting at 6:00 pm. Show up for a great family time with food vendors of all sorts. You can watch the parade while indulging in kettle corn from **Arbuckle's Kettle Corn** and then drop by **Vicious Fire Kooker** for a wood-fired oven pizza and BBQ.

On December 2, 2023, the **Annual Miss Merry Christmas Pageant** will happen. Come by the Chamber for forms to register your child. This year will be bigger and better than before. Call us for more info 936-275-3610 or sacc611@gmail.com

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Mary Frances Johannessen - graduate of San Augustine High School, Angelina College Nursing School, Stephen F. Austin Nursing School - Retired Registered Nurse with a 40 year career - Ambassador for San Augustine since retiring 8 years ago. Member SA Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce. Likes traveling and family time.



A 24/7 hotline may be the answer for those suffering from multiple types of abuse. Attending a recent luncheon lecture presented by the Family Crisis Center of East Texas, I became aware of this 501(c)3 nonprofit organization's services.

Back in 1978 several Nacogdoches ladies opened their phone lines and homes as safe places for battered women to retreat. In 2008, The Janelle Grum Family Crisis Center evolved from having been known prior as The East Texas Women's Shelter. Victims being helped now include men, children, and women.

Serving nine counties with offices in Lufkin, Nacogdoches, San Augustine, Crockett, and on the SFA campus, are also the 24/7 hotline, a thirty day temporary emergency shelter with room and board, counseling, an economic stability program, and specialty advocate assistance for each type of abuse victim. An eighteen month transitional housing program can be available to help abused victims rebuild slowly their shattered lives. A battering intervention and prevention program offered weekly for twenty-four weeks is available on a fee scale for past abusive violent offenders to attend, while learning the fundamentals of leading healthy, nonviolent relationships.

Donations of clothing, household items, furniture items, etc. can be made at their two thrift resale stores - 3909 North Street in Nacogdoches and 206 Whitehouse Drive in Lufkin, where 100% of all store sales cycle back into direct victim service programs.

Types of unhealthy behaviors may be physical abuse, emotional abuse, verbal abuse, mental abuse, sexual abuse, economic abuse, teen violence, pornography, trafficking, bullying, stalking or using social technology tracking. One can be subjected to extreme jealousy, isolation, criticism, blame, sabotage, and loss of control in situations, etc. A person with unexplained bruises and/or fractures is often living with an abusive family member. In 2021, there were reports of 204 Texas victims of intimate partner homicide. Increasing in 2022, a total of 216 victims of intimate partner homicide was also reported. Calls received on the 24/7 hotline total over 250,000 yearly.

Legal advocacy teams work with law enforcement and court systems in providing protective orders, child custody orders, etc. Transportation is provided for any appointments while in the emergency shelter or in the transitional housing program. Supportive help is always available and provided by assisting to locate jobs or find housing, as one plans to leave for a new start of abuse free living.

Education to the public of all Family Crisis Center's services is an on going process. On November 7, an 8-hour day is planned by a group of renowned experts that will cover (1) De-escalation Training, (2) How to Respond to Real World Threat, (3) Active Shooter Training, and (4) Stop the Bleeding Training. Call the Lufkin office for additional information. 'Adopt a Family for Christmas' program is planned to provide for those survivors of family violence and sexual assault to have gifts and have hope during the most difficult times.

The Janelle Grum Family Crisis Center's services are free as they advocate and provide for one's safety planning, starting with just that one phone call to 1-800-828-7233. Their vision statement is 'to end the culture of domestic violence and sexual assault.'

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12. Hokkaido people
13. D. H. Lawrence's "____ and Lovers"
14. Near the wind, archaic
15. Mideast ruler
16. Hipbones
17. *Pumpkin, e.g.
18. *"The _____", movie
20. Jackson 5 member
21. Twinings product
22. ____ canto (singing style)
23. Appetite whetter
26. Chucking
30. Pilot's announcement, acr.
31. Short sock
34. Kuwaiti leader
35. Dapper
37. "____ the ramparts ..."
38. Origami bird
39. Popular picnic side
40. Weary walk
42. Often precedes "whiz"
43. Larry of Oracle
45. Most idle
47. Napkin holder
48. Gamy, alt. sp.
50. *What witches' brew does in 52 across
52. *"Eye of newt and toe of frog" holder
55. Shell-less gastropod, pl.
56. Siren's song, e.g.
57. A Flock of Seagulls' hit (2 words)
59. Ottoman title
60. Type of mine passage
61. Head of family
62. Aid in crime
63. *World's largest Halloween Parade location, acr.
64. Bulgarian or Serb

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2. Margarita fruit
3. Windows alternative in computers
4. "Europa _____" movie (1990)
5. Disease in Philip Roth's "Nemesis"
6. Licorice-like flavor
7. Future atty.'s exam
8. *Michael Jackson's spooky classic
9. Disorderly retreat
10. M lange
11. "Silent Spring" subject, acr.
13. Make ill
14. Subsequently
19. Settle a debt
22. Contrary conjunction
23. End of "incense"
24. In the least (2 words)
25. Birth-related
26. Group of cows
27. JPEG data
28. "To the _____," or "to a great extent"
29. Roll out the red carpet
32. *Kandy _____
33. Romanian money
36. *Stephenie Meyer's vampire saga
38. Relinquished
40. Spinning toy
41. Gin plus lime cordial
44. Chip dip
46. *"Monster Mash" words, e.g.
48. Tasteless and flashy
49. Gold-related
50. Spill the beans
51. Yorkshire river
52. Kin group
53. Word of mouth
54. California wine valley
55. R&R destination
58. *All Saints' Day mo.

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Oct 16, 2023

A new step has begun to take place in this historic cemetery. We have started to recognize the matriarchs and patriarchs of the cemetery. I feel that these individuals need to stand out as the heads of their family's and pioneers to the county of Nacogdoches.

To date we have marked **SOMARIA HILL'S GRAVE**. Her Vital statistics tell us she was born into slavery and passed just 10 years after emancipation in Texas. We are actively searching her genealogy to know more about her. Imagine the stories she could tell.

In addition we have purchased markers for **JAMES CRAWFORD** and **ERASMUS JOHNSON**. These will be placed at their graves in the coming weeks.

A few more candidates have been identified. I can't wait to honor them.

We have also put into place a Message Board and a Rotary Club plaque honoring the unmarked graves. This week the American Legion plaque honoring the veterans will be erected.

Wyatt Ordway

Answers to puzzles from previous page.

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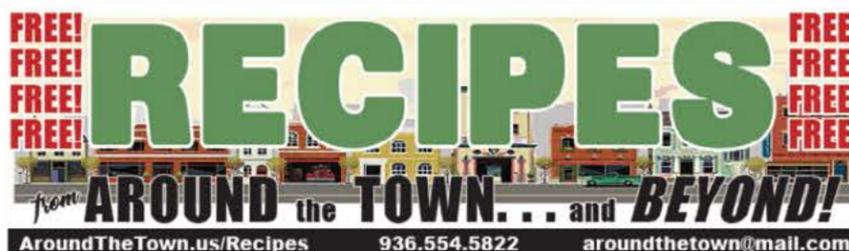
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 Johnson Furniture - 106 E. Main
 Kampus Books - 305 E. College St.
 K.J.'s Convenience Store/Exxon - 5713 South St.
 Kinfolks - 4817 NW Stallings Dr.
 Kline's Wrap-It-Up - 628 N. University Dr.
 Kroger - 3205 N. University Dr.
 Lehmann Eye Center - 5300 North St.
 Luquette Chiropractic - 4712 North St.
 M & S Pharmacy - 917 E. Austin
 Ma's Jewelry - 2423 North St
 Martin Kennel - 512 CR 217
 Marty's Barber Shop - 2805 North St, Suite B1
 McCoy's Building Materials - 4009 NW Stallings Dr.
 McWilliams & Son Air Conditioning - 2915 NW Stallings Dr.
 Meadow Ridge Archery & Gun - 1090 CR 231
 Mike Perry Mottors - 3812 South Street
 Mike's BBQ - 1622 South Street
 Milford's Barber Shop - 110 N. Church St.
 Millard's Crossing Historic Village - 6020 North St.
 CC's Smokehouse - 2709 Westward Dr.
 Morgan Oil Chevron - 428 W. Main St.
 Morgan Oil Chevron - Appleby Sand Rd. @ Austin St.
 Morgan Oil Chevron - 1000 N. University Drive
 Morgan Oil Chevron - 3325 North St.
 Morgan Oil Chevron Truck Stop - 4919 NE Stallings
 Mustard Seed - 1330 N. University Dr.
 NacBurger - 3205 N. University Dr
 NacSpace - 2400 N. Stallings Dr.
 Nacogdoches Expo Center - 3805 NW Stallings Dr.
 Nacogdoches Floral - 3602 North St.
 Nacogdoches CVB - 200 E. Main St.
 Nacogdoches Senior Center - 1601 W. Austin St.
 Napoli's Restaurant - 2119 North St.
 Northview Condos - 4100 North St.

NACOGDOCHES COUNTY

In the City of Nacogdoches

Perry Propane - 6500 Franklin St.
 Pike Saw & Tool - 2502 NW Stallings Dr..
 Renfro's Glass - 714 North St.
 Red House Winery - 108 E. Pilar St.
 Rhinestone Rifles Botique VIP - 404 E. Main St.
 Rick's Valero - US 59 South
 RV Outfitters - 2631 NW Stallings Dr.
 Sam's Southern Eatery - 1220 North St.
 Smokehouse - 2709 Westward Trail
 Sombreros - 3000 North St.
 Ables-Land Office Supplies - 412 North St.
 Sunshine Food Mart - 2013 North St.
 Super 8 Motel - US 59 South
 Taquitos El Jaliscience - 3217 North St.
 Taqueria El 21 - 1422 Douglass Road
 Thrall's Grocery, Deli & Cafe - 7144 SH 21 East
 VIP Cleaners - 4515 North St.
 Walgreens - 3004 North St.
 Windhill Apartments - 1324 Pruitt Hill Dr.
 Woden Rd. Quick Stop - Woden Rd @ SE Stalling

In Appleby:

Sammy's Mini Mart - U.S. Hwy 59 N.
 Tom's Grocery & Shell - U.S. Hwy 59 N.

In Central Heights:

Morgan Oil Chevron/Whataburger - Hwy 259 North
 Polk's Pick It Up Truck Stop - Hwy 259 North
 Taco Riendo - Hwy 259 North

In Chireno:

Chireno's Cafe' - 716 Main St.

In Cushing:

Clyde Partin Monument Co. - Hwy 204
 Cushing Food Mart - Hwy 204
 Rawhide's Tire Service - 470 6th St.

In Douglass:

Douglass Cafe' - State Hwy 21
 Douglass General Store - State Hwy 21

In Etoile:

Etoile Shell - Hwy 103 @ FM 226
 Shirley Creek Marina Office & Cabins - 23177 FM 226

In Garrison:

Bulldog Express/J & S Food Mart - U.S. Hwy 59
 Garrison Gas & Convenience Store Exxon - U.S. Hwy 59
 Garrison Hardware & Feed - 121 South B Ave.

In Martinsville:

L & M Quick Stop - 13101 Hwy 7

In Reklaw:

What the Fork Cafe' - Hwy 204

NEWTON COUNTY

In Burkeville:

Burkeville Heritage Society - 142 St. Hwy 84E

In the Newton:

Newton Co. History Ctr. - 213 E. Court St. - Newton
 Newton Co. Public Library - 212 High St. - Newton

SAN AUGUSTINE COUNTY

S. A. County Chamber of Commerce - 611 W. Columbia
 Mike Perry Chevrolet - 101 W. Main St.

SHELBY COUNTY

In the City of Center:

Ace Hardware - 5438 Loop 500 East
 Boles Feed Co. - 101 Porter St.
 Boyd Adams Barber Shop - 504 Hurst St.
 Brookshire Brothers - 105 Hurst St.
 Chamber of Commerce - In the old jail on the square
 Covington Lumber & Bldg Materials - 1595 Teneha St.
 H & S Discount Foods - 705 Shelbyville St.
 Mathews Realty - 616 Teneha St.
 Piney Woods Seafood - 1003 Hurst St.
 Rancho Grande - 816 Teneha St.
 TR's Steaks & More - 892 Hurst St.

In Joaquin:

Brookshire Brothers - 113 Haslam Sawmill Rd. - Hwy 84
 NuWay Convenience Store - 13054 Hwy 84
 Quick Stop - 12762 U.S. Hwy 84

In Timpson:

Brookshire Brothers- 829 N. 1st St. - Hwy 59
 Frontier Cafe' - 101 Austin St.
 Quick Stop - 674 N. 1st St. - Hwy 59

TYLER COUNTY

In Warren:

Watson Rare Native Plant Preserve - 527 CR 4777

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

November 2023



Market on Main

305 E. Main Street
Nov 4th & Nov 11th
10am-2pm

Thursday in the Garden

Durst Taylor House & Garden
10am - 11am
Nov 2nd, 16th, and 30th

Historic Skills Fair

Durst Taylor Museum
Nov 4th 10am-12pm

SFA Planetarium Shows

Saturdays 11/4 and 11/11
3:00pm, 4:30pm & 7:00pm

Día des los Muertos Festival

Downtown Nacogdoches
Nov 4th 4pm-8pm

Merry Christmas Market

Downtown Nacogdoches Shops
Nov 10th & 11th

SFA vs Southern Utah

Homer Bryce Stadium
Nov 11th 4pm

Holiday in the Pines

Nacogdoches Expo Center
Nov 16-18th

Totally Rad 80s Prom Gone Bad

Murder Mystery Party
Stone House Kitchen
Nov 18th 7pm

Nacogdoches Arts Collab

Grand Opening
411 E. Hospital Street
Nov 25th 11am-4pm

Wassail Fest/Small Business Saturday

Downtown Nacogdoches
Nov 25th

Loblolly Model Train Display

Nacogdoches Railroad Depot
Nov 24th - Dec 10th
Fri-Sat 10am-6pm, Sundays 12pm-6pm

Smoke on the Mountain

Lamp-Lite Theatre
Nov 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th @7:30pm
Nov 5th & 12th @ 2:00pm

Fredonia Hotel

Music on the Patio (Friday Evenings):

11/3 Jonathan Webster @6pm-9pm
11/10 Larry Greer x Shades of Blue @6pm-9pm
11/17 Sean Christopher @7pm-10pm
11/23 Thanksgiving Brunch
11/24 Joshua Mullin @6pm-9pm

Fredonia Brewery

Wednesday \$1 off pints,
Trivia Thursdays, Open Sundays 12-5pm
11/3 Shali's Indian Kitchen/Joshua Mullin @6:30
11/4 Taqueria Mi Rancho/ The Dream Odyssey @6pm-9pm
11/10 Reed's Fish & More
11/11 Chamber's Smokehouse/ Brightwire Official @6pm-9pm
11/17 Shali's Indian Kitchen/ Selah Burns@6:30
11/18 Shali's Indian Kitchen
11/24 Redd's Fish & More/ Mike Feiley Show @6:30-8:30
11/25 Reed's Fish & More/ Donny Taylor Duo @6pm-9pm

Lone Star Trivia

All times are 7pm

11/1 - Napoli's
11/2 - Fredonia Brewery
11/7 - The Cottage Wine Bar
11/9 - Fredonia Brewery
11/13 - Maklemore's Ale House & Bistro
11/16 - Fredonia Brewery
11/21 - The Cottage Wine Bar
11/27 - Maklemore's Ale House & Bistro
11/29 - Napoli's
11/30 - Fredonia Brewery

Pemberly's Afternoon Tea

Pemberleys's at The Jones House Every Thursday @4pm

Cottage Wine Bar

Tuesday Nights: Happy Hour
Wednesday Nights: \$10 Cocktail Happy Hour

Farmers Market

Nacogdoches Farmer's Market
Every Saturday 9am-12pm

Lugnutz Bar & Grill

Thursday Steak Nights
Karaoke & Burger Fridays
Live Music Saturdays

Maklemore's Ale House & Bistro

Wine Down Wednesday's
Pint Night All Day Thursday's & Sunday Nights
Weekend Brunch Every Saturday & Sunday 11am-3pm

Front Porch Distillery

Pickin' on the Porch
LIVE music and Food Trucks every Fri. & Sat.
11/3 Caleb Boles/ Revolution Road Pizza
11/4 Ryan Paul Davis/ Chambers Smokehouse
11/10 Tyler Dhone/ Chambers Smokehouse
11/11 Goat Yoga @10am & 11am
11/11 Marshal Hance
11/17 Joe Cellular/ Revolution Road Pizza
11/18 Brian Winfield/ Chambers smokehouse
11/24 Randy C. Moore
11/25 Caleb Boles

Naca Valley Vineyard

Pizza on the Pavilion:
Every Thurs. & Fri. 5-9pm & Sat. 12-9pm
Live Music:
11/4 The Miller Highlights @ 5:30
11/11 Derrick McLendon @5:30
11/18 Maryah and Martyn @ 5:30
11/25 The Hopeful Few @5:30

Lumberjack Harley-Davidson

11/4 Best Beard Contest 12pm-3pm
11/11 Lunch with Valor 11am-3pm
11/18 Ride to Azelway, KSU 12pm
11/24 Black Friday 9am-1pm
11/25 Orange Saturday 12pm-3pm

Banita Creek Hall

Thursdays: Dance Lessons (7-8:30) & Ladies Night
Fridays: Dollar Night
11/16 Corey Kent with Carson Jefferson
11/18 Cameron Sacky Band

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