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# Committee mulls parking garage options

By CHARLOTTE KOVALCHUK

Downtown stakeholders clashed Wednesday over a future parking garage, with some saying the city should reconsider the project and others emphasizing a need for a garage now.

The Downtown Parking Garage Steering Committee has been guiding the design and public engagement of a 200-space garage the city plans to build at Main and Sixth streets.

The garage is estimated to cost \$6.2 million. Construction is expected to start in November and take a year. The City Council will review a second reading of an ordinance to abandon part of Sixth Street for the garage at its next meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday at 510 W. Ninth St.

"We have waited decades [for a parking garage]. Three city managers have told me, "This is the year," committee member Chris Damon said. "This will not

solve the problem forever, but it would be so welcome right now."

The committee reviewed two options: a 43-foot high garage and a 32-foot high facility. Both would be four stories but the latter would have one underground level, which most members liked because of the height reduction.

Larry Olson said it would blend in well with the old Council Chambers building at Main and Seventh streets.

He and former Historic and Architectural Review Commission member Shawn Hood brought up the proposed condo project on Eighth Street that HARC denied in 2017 because of its four-story height.

"We can't go back to HARC and say we like 40 plus four feet [for the garage] when we've turned other people down," Mr. Hood said.

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Downtown Parking Garage Steering Committee members Scott Firth, Larry Olson and Linda McCalla consider garage options at their meeting Wednesday.

# Schroeder kicks off run for mayor

By CHARLOTTE KOVALCHUK

When Josh Schroeder and his family moved to Georgetown in 2007, he said the No. 1 advice he received was "in Georgetown, you serve and you give."

He has been doing just that, having served as

- former chair of the Planning and Zoning Commission
- former chair of the Zoning Board of Adjustmentschair of The Caring
- Place board chair of the Georgetown
- Development Alliance
   chair of the Historic and
  Architectural Review Commission
- board member and chair of Partners in Education
- Brookwood in Georgetown (BiG) board member
- board member of Boys
   & Girls Club

- board member of Georgetown ISD Education Foundation
- board member of Georgetown Chamber of Commerce
- chair of Williamson County Fellowship of Christian Athletes Advisory Board
- deacon of First Baptist Church

"I've invested everything we have in this community," Mr. Schroeder said. He is a shareholder with the law firm Sneed, Vine & Perry in Georgetown. His practice is focused on real estate development. He plans to add mayor of Georgetown to his list of civic service. He kicked off his campaign at Mesquite Creek Outfitters Tuesday.

"There's no doubt this

guy has earned the opportunity to lead this town,"

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Talking Baseball volunteer Mickey Timbes, who was named after Mickey Mantle, holds a Mantle figurine he's showing to fellow New York Yankees fan Jerry Miller.

# Fans strike up memories

By BRAD STUTZMAN

When they started talking about baseball Wednesday morning, it was hard to tell who was a volunteer, who was a caregiver and who was diagnosed with Alzheimer's or Parkinson's disease.

That's the whole idea behind these sessions, the first of which in Georgetown opened with an enthusiastic gathering at The Wesleyan at Estrella Assisted Living and Memory Care off Williams Drive.

An L-shaped configu-

ration of tables was filled with baseball cards, old newspapers and magazines — all designed to spark memories and the conversations that flowed freely from them.

Volunteer Reg Rowe from Sun City — a right-handed pitcher in his youth — delighted his new-found friend, Otto Marshall, by showing off an autographed ball from lefty legend Sandy Koufax.

As people filed in, signing the registry and collecting their name tags, a grainy black-and-white image played on a movie screen at the front of the room. Warren Spahn was pitching to Mickey Mantle in the 1957 World Series.

"What's the best day of the year? Opening day!" host Jim Kenton declared, calling Georgetown's first-ever Talking Baseball session to order.

Talking Baseball — also known as BasebALZ —

exists in other U.S. cities, including Austin, St. Louis and Los Angeles. The Society for American Baseball Research sponsors the program and Mr. Kenton leads its Austin chapter.

"My dad was career Navy," Mr. Kenton said. "Every two years we moved. As a child, the one constant in my life was baseball."

Mr. Kenton was guest speaker at an initial meeting Sun City resident

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### Walton seeks District 6 Council seat

By CHARLOTTE KOVALCHUK

Michael Walton said District 6 needs a representative who can collaborate with other council members and communicate with citizens, and he believes he's the man for the job.

He hopes to unseat Rachael Jonrowe as District 6 representative in the May 2 election. She said Friday she plans to run again.

"I think that District 6 needs a representative who is effective, somebody who can work with council and staff and citizens on the issues," he said.

"I've proven my ability to work with people, to listen to people, make decisions, take action. District 6 needs



Michael Walton is running for the District 6 seat on City Council.

a representative who is ready, willing and able to collaborate, bring positivity to the table, take input from all sides and use that. "To me, it's what's missing today."

Mr. Walton believes he has demonstrated collaboration during the fight to save the Historic and Architectural Review Commission from demotion. When the council considered changing HARC from an authority board to an advisory commission, Mr. Walton, who is president of Preservation Georgetown, met with council members and citizens to gather input and propose strategies to save HARC. The council ultimately preserved HARC's authority. He also co-chairs the Downtown Parking Garage Steering Committee, which has been guiding the garage's design and public engagement process. The garage is planned to be built at Sixth and Main streets.

Through both projects, Mr. Walton said he has established a good working relationship with other council members, one he wants to continue on the dais.

Born and raised in Houston, Mr. Walton lived in Florida for a time before finding his way back to Texas and ultimately Georgetown. He and his wife Samantha loved the house they found in Old Town, the neighborhood and its proximity to the Square.

He has a master's in business administration from

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# Council honors GISD for propane buses

By KATHERINE ANTHONY

Georgetown ISD's switch from diesel to propane-fueled buses has garnered recognition from a national organization.

The Propane Education and Research Council saluted GISD last week with its Clean Innovation Award for replacing part of its bus fleet with clean-energy propane buses. Georgetown ISD is only the third organization to receive such an award from the council.

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Through its 2018 bond program, GISD planned to purchase 21 propane buses to replace older diesel buses. Grant funds from

the Texas Commission

on Environmental Quali-

ty provided an additional \$1.3 million to replace 33 diesel-powered buses with cleaner propane vehicles.

Twenty-seven of the propane buses are now operational, and all 33 will be shuttling students by the end of January. GISD has 141 buses in its total fleet.

Tucker Perkins, CEO of the Propane Education and Research Council noted that a propane-powered bus is 96 percent cleaner than a diesel bus, and it decreases oxides of nitrogen emissions. These findings are significant, he said, because nitrogen emissions are the basic building block of smog and ozone formation.

smog and ozone formation. "Georgetown ISD has something significant for the environment," Mr. Perkins said.

A propane bus costs about \$107,000, a bit more than the \$100,000 price tag of a diesel bus, but Kirby Campbell, GISD's execu-

Campbell, GISD's executive director of Support Services, said advantages quickly compensate for the additional cost.

The cost of propane is significantly lower than diesel fuel — 98 cents per gallon compared to \$2.25. The district projects this will save \$75,000 per year in fuel costs. Additionally, the U.S. Department of Energy offers a propane fuel rebate of 37 cents per gallon. Buses also require less maintenance because propane

causes less wear-and-tear

on engines.

"The price difference in cost is made up pretty quickly," Mr. Campbell said. "And, when we can save money in operations, it allows us to put more dollars back into the classroom."

According to the council, approximately 18,500 propane-fueled school buses are operating in the United States.

GISD's propane buses are stationed at the district's Westside bus terminal on RM 2338— also the site of a new propane fueling station.

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# MLK march, program set for January 20

By BRAD STUTZMAN

The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s life and legacy will be celebrated January 20 in Georgetown with a prayer breakfast, march, church program and service projects.

First up is the Leaders Prayer Breakfast, scheduled for 7:30 to 9 a.m. at the city's Public Safety Operations and Training Center, 3500 DB Wood Road.

Georgetown Ministerial Alliance sponsors the breakfast. The Rev. Harriett Jones, president of the alliance, said the entire community is invited to the free breakfast. Reservations are not needed.

Rev. Jones, senior pastor for Grace Christian Bible Fellowship, 411 S. College St., said she works with the Georgetown Police Department and Chief Wayne Nero to organize the prayer breakfast.

"This is our fourth year," she said. "We're planning for about 150 to 200 guests."

#### March and program

As in past years, the Georgetown Fellowship of Churches will sponsor the back-to-back march and

The January 2019 Martin Luther King Jr. Day march drew approximately 200 people to the Square.

program. Paulette Taylor, one of the organizers, said everyone is invited to take part.

Events, held here annually in conjunction with the federal holiday, begin at noon with a march that will proceed from the Seventh Street side of the Square. About 200 people participated last year.

The program scheduled to follow will start at 12:30 p.m. at Macedonia Baptist Church, 206 MLK Jr. St.

"Our focus is on the rele-

vance of Dr. King today, his 'I Have a Dream' speech and some of the things he stood

for," Ms. Taylor said. Ms. Taylor was born in Georgetown and taught at Carver Elementary School, where for 15 years she was the only African-American teacher. She now leads the Georgetown Cultural Citizen Memorial Association, which exists to educate, preserve and celebrate African-American history and culture in Georgetown.

Featured speakers at

Macedonia Baptist include the Rev. William Quicklev from Georgetown's Wesley Chapel AME.

Also on the program are Chuck Collins from the Southwest Georgetown Community Council and Georgetown High School senior Malahki Perry.

#### Other opportunities

In addition, volunteers will be fanning out countywide January 20 to take part in United Way of Williamson County's annual Day of Service projects.

United Way organizations throughout the U.S. participate, honoring Martin Luther King's legacy. This is the 25th year United Way of Williamson County has been a Day of Service

"Dr. King challenges us to consider what we are doing to help others," said Jodee O'Brien, chief executive officer for United Way of Williamson County. "This service event provides a number of options for groups, families and individuals to take time on this day to serve others and serve the Williamson County communities."

Both indoor and outdoor work projects are scheduled for 9 a.m. to noon in Georgetown, Liberty Hill, Leander, Cedar Park, Round Rock and Taylor.

A total of 20 projects including six in Georgetown — are planned.

Registration continues through the January 20 Day of Service.

Volunteers can sign up by calling the United Way at 512-255-6799 or visiting www.unitedway-wc.org

Projects scheduled in Georgetown are:

 Annunciation Maternity Home, 3610 Shell Road -Volunteers will be sorting donations and items in storage. Participants must be at least 15 and minors must be accompanied by an adult.

• Berry Springs Park & Preserve, 1801 County Road 152—Activities will consist of cutting brush, moving limbs and spreading mulch for a new trail at the park. Volunteers must be at least

• Faith in Action, 2995 Dawn Drive, Suite 106 — Volunteers are needed to call donors and thank them for their gifts, and also do data entry. The registration deadline for this project is January 15. Volunteers must be at least age 16 and minors must be accompanied by an adult.

 Williamson and Burnet Opportunities, 601 N. College St. — Opportunities is a nonprofit umbrella organization that oversees local Meals Wheels and Head Start programs. For this project, volunteers will clean and paint at the Mary Bailey Head Start Center, 601 N. College St. Participants should bring brushes and rollers, paint trays, drop cloths, gloves and cleaning supplies. The minimum age is 16. Minors must be accompanied by an adult.

· Samaritan Center, 412 E. 19th St. — Volunteers will write thank you notes to Amplify Austin and the Veterans Ball donors. Must be age 14 or older. Minors must be accompanied by an adult

• The Caring Place, 2000 Railroad Ave. — Volunteers will assist in the thrift store. receive and sort donations. Volunteers must be at least age 17 and should check in with cashiers when they

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### **PUBLIC MEETINGS**

### **School Board**

Georgetown Independent School District's Board of Trustees will meet in regular session at 7 p.m. Tuesday, January 21 at the Hammerlun Center for Leadership and Learning, 507 East University Avenue.

### **Commissioners Court**

The Williamson County Commissioners Court will meet in regular weekly session at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 14. Meetings are in the commissioners courtroom on the second floor of the county courthouse, 710 South Main Street.

### City Council

Council will gather for its workshop and meeting Tuesday, January 14.

Both meetings are in the council chambers at 510 West Ninth Street near the library and open to the public. The workshop begins at 2 p.m. and the meeting is at 6 p.m. Council meets every second and fourth Tuesday of the month.

### State of the City will give 2020 update

The City of Georgetown will host its State of the City event this month.

The event is at 6 p.m. January 29 at City Hall, 808

Martin Luther King Jr. St. Learn about major projects and programs completed in 2019, connect with city officials and preview what's to come in 2020. Child care

and refreshments will be

provided.

Register at georgetown-stateofthecity-2020. eventbrite.com.

During the event, attendees will be able to tour City Hall, as well as visit information tables from various city departments.

Mayor Dale Ross will wrap up the festivities with a presentation in Council Chambers at 510 W. Ninth St.

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The downtown parking garage and Suddenlink Communications are some of the top items on Tuesday's City Council agendas.

Both meetings will be at Council Chambers, 510 W. Ninth St. — 2:30 p.m. for the workshop and 6 p.m. for the regular meeting.

Members will receive an update on the future parking garage at Sixth and Main streets, as well as information on the 2020 Census and an update on the implementation plan for the 2030 Plan.

The 2030 Plan is a guide for growth and development decisions in the city and is created based on input and feedback from the community.

During the regular meeting, council members will consider approving a resolution to be sent to the Public Utilities Commission that expresses their dissatisfaction with customer service provided by Suddenlink Communication to Georgetown citizens.

A second reading of an ordinance to close part of Sixth Street to make room for the parking garage is also on the agenda.

Members will also consider approving an agreement between the city and the Georgetown Cultural Citizen Memorial Association for the operation of the Shotgun House at 801 W. Eighth St. behind City Hall.

— Charlotte Kovalchuk

### Parking options considered

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"We should live within the city rules. To lower it down to 32 feet, I'm excited about that."

Others were fine with the original plan to build the garage with four levels above ground, but said they could support the new option.

"I'm so willing to make that compromise to get this thing done," Mr. Damon said.

But not everyone was as gung-ho about moving forward. Several committee members wanted the city to reconsider the proposed location and give the public a chance to weigh in.

Mr. Olson said he was concerned that the site was never publicly discussed, and Scott Firth encouraged the city to ask residents about their preferred garage location.

Sites that were considered in 2015 following a parking study were

- · North Lot at Austin Avenue and Fifth Street
- Bank of America Lot at
- Rock and Seventh streets
- · Central Lot at Main and Sixth streets

• Library Lot at Rock and

Ninth streets · South Lot at Main and

Ninth streets City Spokesman Keith Hutchinson has said the lot behind the old Council Chambers was chosen because it fit the city's \$5 million budget.

Mr. Firth, though, said he didn't like the proposed structure and wasn't convinced the older population and large vehicles would

He suggested waiting a year to consider building a garage at a different site.

But others insisted Georgetown needs another parking garage now.

Kay Briggs owns Pink Poppy Artisans Boutique on the Square and said lack of parking pushes away customers.

"They're not visiting the downtown. They say it's too hard to get to, they can't find parking."

Mr. Hood, who has worked in the downtown area for the last 10 years, echoed her concerns.

"I'm the one circling the block at Christmastime

looking for a parking space. I can't find one," he said.

Williamson Museum Director Mickie Ross also pointed to an increasing amount of Square visitors, both locals and out-of-towners. She said the biggest complaint she hears is there's nowhere to park in Georgetown.

She added that she's not opposed to more public input opportunities, but that other cities should be surveved too.

Mr. Hood and Mr. Damon summed it up by saying a multi-level parking garage will be in Georgetown's future.

"It's not the solution," Mr. Hood said. "It's the stepping stone to the final solution.'

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### **COUNTY BRIEFS**

### Two vehicles going to auction

Commissioners authorized the auction of two Chevy Tahoes from the sheriff's office.

The vehicles were removed from the December 10 agenda in order to clarify information regarding the vehicles. The item was put back on Tuesday's agenda.

Pct. 3 Commissioner Valerie Covey requested the sheriff's office deal with vehicles in a more timely manner moving forward, as one of the vehicles was totaled in April.

#### Message service approved for sheriff's office

Commissioners ap-

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former Mayor Tim Kenne-

dy said, calling him a man

of faith, family and charac-

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Mr. Kennedy served as

He said the city needs to maintain transparency and

face-to-face contact with

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would have a voice.

"The city and elected

mayor from 1988-90, a time when everyone knew everyproved a \$7,000 contract with Whooster as the sole provider of a data tool that provides real-time information to investigators in the sheriff's office.

The approval included a request by commissioners for additional information about whether the service could be used by constables in the county and, if possible, an addendum to include them.

#### Mobile command vehicle will be upgraded

Commissioners approved a \$330,000 service contract with Motorola Solutions Inc. to provide installation of an upgraded console in a mobile command vehicle.

The update is necessary for the vehicle to work with updated technology, accord-

Schroeder kicks off run for mayor

ing to Terry Purvis, the county's assistant director of technology, logistics and special operations.

#### Kawasaki loan agreement fails

A motion by Pct. 2 Commissioner Cynthia Long to approve an 11-month Kawasaki User Relations Loan Agreement with the sheriff's office, through the county and Ride-Now-Georgetown, died on the floor at commissioners court Tuesday.

Public speakers were appeased by the decision after they questioned the intended, unlawful use of the Kawasaki in parades, the actual need for it and the diversion of money from the budget.

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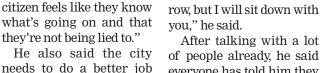
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After talking with a lot of people already, he said everyone has told him they want to maintain Georgetown's small-town community.

Josh Schroeder mingles with supporters.

One way to do that, he added, is by improving public safety and transportation — especially on Williams Drive.

"The number one complaint I hear is Williams Drive," he said. "If you're sitting in traffic, every second starts to chip away at your idea that it's a small town."

Election Day is May 2.



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### Concrete is forever

### Let's take time to do it right

ext Tuesday, parking makes its umpteenth appearance on the squabble stage when the council gets a briefing in the case of the proposed four-level parking garage at 6th and Main Streets. There's a presentation at a 2:30 p.m. council workshop followed by a possible vote at the city council 6 p.m. meeting.

Whether or not we build the garage, the most disheartening question remains — why our city declines to say where the idea came from and why we may not discuss the location.

We now suffer the consequences of one terrible decision made in was almost no strolling. secret — the electric debacle. Why make another decision in such a precipitous and opaque way?

This is a 100-year decision. It seems that the best way to deal with the question is to update the parking study of 2015, giving more thought to parking garages than was done at the time. After all, we are about to make a very long-lived decision, longer even than the electric contracts. Isn't it reasonable that we take care to do it right?

I've been coming to work every day on the Square for 38 years. Considering the comings and goings of a day, I've probably hunted for a parking spot over 12,000 times. Beneath my second floor window the years passed by and the scene slowly changed. The cars are better. You rarely hear a knocking engine clatter by towing a trail of blue smoke. Oily spots no longer glisten in every

In the early 80s, the workaday traffic on the Square was easily as bad as today, maybe worse. At quitting time it was almost bumper to bumper.

We had a dozen paper boys (and a few girls) who came at 4 p.m., bought their papers and rushed to their spots at the corners where they sold freshly printed Suns to folks headed home. They always sold out, about 400 copies in all. Gold's Department Store stayed open to catch the on-the-wayhome crowd, and Harry's bright, cheerful display windows of jeans and jackets and colorful skirts pushed back the gloom of those dark winter afternoons on the Square.

You could buy anything on the Square

And parking fights? It got mean at times. Store owners didn't want the county employees who worked in the Courthouse parking on the Square all day. The people who worked in the Courthouse, after being fussed at so hotly, parked even harder. The parking fights were considerably worse, and more public, than they are today.



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Clark Thurmond

During those 38 years on the Square, I haven't seen a time when we all weren't complaining about parking — complaining that a lack of parking was killing business and property values. But somehow the Square flourished, and values rose year after year.

One big change in those 38 years is the nature of the trip to the Square. Back then you came downtown to get a typewriter ribbon at Heritage Printing, socks at Gold's, a prescription at Gus's Central Pharmacy. You came on an errand, not on a visit. You wanted in and out. There

But today people come to the Square to stay a while. We see them every day, strolling along, looking in the shops, reading the historic plaques, herding children with their dripping ice cream cones. No one is in a hurry. The Square visitor today is not on an errand, but rather is taking a break from errands. A short walk is part of the break. The downtown is now primarily a place of entertainment, of relaxation, of taking time.

A few years ago Linda and I visited Traverse City, Michigan. The delightful downtown was a big tourist destination and did an impressive amount of business. After a short hunt for parking, we found a close-in on-street parking spot. Why could we find close-in parking in this congested area? Parking meters.

Traverse City also has two downtown parking garages. You pay to park in them.

So, before we spend over \$6 million to build a surprise parking garage, let's talk about parking meters and about pricing the parking spots according to convenience and desirability.

Back when people came on errands, this idea was a big No-Go. But now we use the Square in a different way. The city folk say that we should consider parking as a utility rather than as a land use. That sounds smart. A utility is flexible and can change as the patterns of use change.

Yes, I know parking meters can be a "third rail" topic no one wants to touch. But could meters make sense? And one thing we've noticed in our travels, many desirable places use them to allocate a limited amount of parking in a fair and equitable way.

By using sales tax to pay for this proposed parking garage, we are using money that would otherwise go into the general fund to lower property taxes. So the parking garage, in a roundabout way, by pulling sales tax out of the general fund, is paid for by property taxes. Let's try something smarter.

### **GUEST ESSAY**

Kasserian ingera

### And how are the children?

By PATRICK T. O'NEILL

Among the most accomplished and fabled tribes of Africa, no tribe was considered to have warriors more fearsome or more intelligent than the mighty Masai. It is perhaps surprising then to learn the traditional greeting that passed between Masai warriors. "Kasserian ingera," one would always say to another. It means "And how are the children?"

It is still the traditional greeting among the Masai, acknowledging the high value that the Masai always place on their children's well-being. Even warriors with no children of their own would always give the traditional answer, "All the children are well." Meaning, of course, that peace and safety prevail, that the priorities of protecting the young, the powerless, are in place, that Masai society has not forgotten its reasons for being, its proper functions and responsibilities.

"All the children are well" means that life is good. It means that the daily struggles of existence do not preclude proper caring for their young.

I wonder how it might affect our consciousness of our own children's welfare if in our culture we took to greeting each other with this daily question: "And how are the children?" I wonder if we heard that question and passed it along to each other a dozen times a day, if it would begin to make a difference in the reality of how

children are thought of or cared for in our own communities.

What might be possible if every adult among us, parent and non-parent alike, shared responsibility for the daily care and protection of all the children in our community, in our country? I wonder if we could truly say without any hesitation, "The children are well, yes, all the children are well."

What might it be like if teachers began every class by answering the question: "And how are the children?" If every leader had to answer the same question at the beginning of every meeting: "And how are the children? Are they all well?" If every corporate executive had to answer the same question at the beginning of every workday: "And how are the children? Are they all well?'

Wouldn't it be interesting to hear their answers? What might it be like, I wonder. And before we can respond to one another, "All the children are well," what actions must we take in our classrooms? In our schools? In our community?

And how are the children? Working together, may all our children be well.

The Reverend O'Neill is minister emeritus of First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church, Framingham, Massachusetts. Courageous Conversations of Georgetown has adopted the traditional greeting, "How are the children?" as its theme for 2020.

### **GUEST ESSAY**

### A spiritual gift for all

By JIM DEUSER

At this time of New Year's resolutions and gift giving, one of the best kept secrets — and gifts — in Georgetown comes to mind. This is the monthly Wholeness Service held at the First United Methodist Church. Whether a regular churchgoer, or one who thinks of themselves as "spiritual but not religious," this one hour each month, so different from traditional services, can be refreshment for the soul. The wonderful thing about this gift is that the more it's given, the better, bigger and more plentiful it is.

Characterized by songs from the Christian community of Taize, France, this healing service started in the 1990s at the First Presbyterian Church here in Georgetown. It has since moved to First United Methodist Church to accommodate the growing numbers of attendees. Members of several faith traditions coordinate the service which is held, usually, on the fourth Sunday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

The meditative, prayerful Taize songs, in which the congregation is invited to participate, are the unique part of this service, promoting this year's theme, "Loving God - Seeking the Sacred in the Ordinary." Between hymns and meditations, these meant to be sung together. We rest in silence for five minutes at one point during our hour which also, following the example of Taize, includes an open communion table, candlelight intercessions and an anointing with oil for those who wish it.

prayers in the form of short phrases are

The Reverend Ann Hagmann serves as minister and Ginger Mann conducts the music, which includes a choir and instrumentalists. Ms. Mann and Dr. Hagmann like to quote Brother Emmanuel, one of the early monks who developed the service.

"I do not serve a boring God," writes Brother Emmanuel. "I serve a God who I love intensely and who fully returns my love." He goes on to quote one of the founders of Taize, Brother Roger, who, he said, "always avoided the contradictions inherent to the preaching of a double-faced God, who on one hand would claim to love humanity and on the other hand would be ready to punish or reject anyone."

The next Wholeness Service is to be held Sunday evening, January 26, at 6:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 410 East University Avenue, Georgetown. All are welcome.

Jim Deuser lives in Georgetown.

### Letters

### Make your voices heard on parking garage

On Tuesday, January 14, our city council meets [in council chambers at 510 West Ninth Street] in a workshop at 2:30 p.m. and at their regular council meeting at 6 p.m. At both of these gatherings, our city council will be further considering the multi-story parking garage slated for construction at Main and 6th streets.

Please join me to show our city council members that this project—at this location - needs to be stopped and re-evaluated.

We appreciate the good work that our council members and the hardworking city staff do to continually weigh the balance between protecting all that we hold dear in our downtown Georgetown "village" and the need to approve and direct development projects that will ameliorate our quality of life as we grow.

This massive parking garage at this prime location is surely intended to strike this balance, but it portends the exact op-

At the "Downtown Parking Garage Committee" meeting today on Wednesday, good work was done between citizens and city staff to soften the look of this structure and try to reduce its visible mass — its sense of overwhelming size on this street corner — but little progress was made to convince city staff that an alternative location should be reconsidered.

We live in the Georgetown community for many reasons, but I would aver that one of the strongest common threads is our love for the look and feel of our wonderful downtown area. This monstrous parking garage can only take away from that, irrespective of the convenience factor it purports to provide.

Please join me in urging your council member to stop this project at this location. Please join me Tuesday at these two sessions to show city council our collective concern about this project going forward.

We are close to the edge — after which we will not be able to pull back. Please make your voice heard.

> **TERRY SCANLON** Haven Lane

### Make our Square comfortable to all with equality statement

Last Sunday, at church, our minister asked the congregation to imagine being black and entering our courthouse, only to be met by a statue of a Confederate soldier. All of us, especially those elected to lead our community, have a responsibility to assure that we are community. And community requires unity, something to which we can all greatly contribute by taking appropriate steps to overcome the preservation of a very *finished* era that continues to divide us.

That Confederate soldier statue is a dishonorable attempt to perpetuate White Male Supremacy. There are probably many men reading this who would disown that concept, and few women would likely embrace it. But that statue lingers, nonethe-

Recently a black shopper in a store on our Square was approached by a clerk who told her — just a reminder, you know that the store had remote cameras on premises. I am fairly certain that no white shopper was ever so notified. This is the sort of thing that keeps blacks from visiting local shops, from participating in activities on our — and their — Square.

Come down on market days and see for yourself. Or better still, make the effort to have a heartfelt conversation with a member of the black community and ask, as I have. You will likely be told, gently, that people in their community know where they are, and are not, wanted.

Community — requires — unity! We all have the power, and duty, to act in a manner that promotes that quality.

There is an immediate and easy fix: we can simply add an appropriate monument that states that our community, in this time, embraces the equal rights and dignity of all people.

It's long overdue, but it's a start.

MARYELLEN KERSCH

River Oaks Cove

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- email text to opinion@wilcosun.com. • Deadlines for the Wednesday and Sunday papers are noon Mondays and Thursdays.

### Retired rancher, benefactor pleased by photos

That was a very nice article and great pictures in *The Sunday Sun:* hikers kicking off the New Year in Garey Park. Thank you for the publicity. It was very well done.

> **JACK GAREY** Leander Road

Editor's note: In 2004, Mr. Garey and his late wife, Cammy, pledged their Tuscan-style home and 525-acre ranch to the City of Georgetown, along with \$5 million, to create and maintain a park on the South San Gabriel River. Garey Park is now the city's largest park and the Garey gifts are the most generous the city has ever received.

Maxine Jacoby Giles passed away January 6, 2020 surrounded by family. She was born in Lee's Summit, Missouri on October 24, 1928 to Lee and Effie Jacoby. Maxine

was the youngest of up on a farm in a small town during the depression and her high school years were during WWII and so became a woman and a survivor. While still in high school she worked answering prayer requests sent to the Unitarian Church by family members of Service-

men and Women serving in

After graduating from Lee's Summit high school, she embarked on a life well lived. She attended the Kansas City Institute of Art, then embarked on adventure with her best friend to move to Houston for jobs at the downtown Foleys department store. After more than a year she returned to the Kansas City area where while working at Bendix she met her future husband Doyce Giles. Her story was that when she saw the tall, good looking guy arrive at the picnic she told her girlfriends "I'll take that one". Her first son (Wayne) was born in 1954, and only weeks after her second son (Conley) was born in 1956 the family moved to Fair Oaks, California where Doyce had taken a new job as an Aerospace Engineer. Two more sons came along in 1958 (Clinton) and 1962 (Wade). Maxine always said she and Doyce had set out to have four boys.

The next several years were spent trying to raise four active boys that she often referred to as her little angels (sometimes sarcastically). In 1965 the family moved to Huntsville, Alabama where Dovce had taken a new position with Boeing working at the Redstone Arsenal on the Apollo moon mission. While in Huntsville, Maxine won the city Women's Tennis Championship in 1966.

In 1968 the family was transferred to Houston, Texas. As the boys got a little older, she was able to become the first female volunteer EMS Technician for the Nassau Bay VFD.

The next move in 1972 was to Seattle, Washington where Maxine began her Real Estate

Carl Alphonso

(Al) LittleStar, age

86, of the Osage Na-

tion, passed away

peacefully on Sat-

urday, November

30, 2019, in Boerne,

Texas, surrounded

Al was a beloved

and great grandfather who

was truly loved by all who

knew him. While his accom-

plishments were many, he

will mainly be remembered

for his kindness, gentleness,

and faithfulness to his fami-

ly and friends. A follower of

Christ, Al walked the walk

and showed the love of Jesus

to all he encountered. The joy

of his life was his wife of 68

years, Dean Rice LittleStar.

From their first house with

no plumbing in the Big Bend,

outside of Ralston, OK, until

their last home, 35 moves later,

in Boerne, Texas, they proved

that a home really is where

the heart is, with every one of

From a roustabout on an oil

rig in Osage County, OK, un-

til he retired in management

from Phillips Petroleum, Al

taught his two sons what hard

work and dedication could do,

even when you didn't start

with money or a college de-

gree. His career allowed him

them filled with love.

by his family.

Carl Alphonso (Al) LittleStar

husband, father, grandfather, around the world many times

grandkids.



Career. In 1976 the adventure was to Kingston, Tennessee where she continued her real estate career, followed by a move in 1983 to Sunnyvale, California. In 1989 Maxine

and Dovce retired seven siblings. Maxine grew back to Tennessee. By then the boys had all moved back to various parts of Texas.

In 1996 they decided to move closer to their sons in the Austin area and the grandchildren which were starting to arrive. They were one of the first to buy in a new development called Sun City. They purchased their home in 1996 before the first house was built.

After Doyce passed in 1999, Maxine remained active as a political activist, tennis player and loved working in the yard and her garden. But her biggest joy was being with her four boys, their wives and her grandchildren.

Maxine was preceded in death by her husband Doyce Giles, her parents and her siblings.

Maxine is survived by sons: Wayne Giles and his wife Janice, Conley Giles, Clinton Giles and his wife Estella, and Wade Giles and his wife Janie; beloved grandchildren: Kelsev. Brianna, Hannah, and Jake; step-grandchildren: Erica and Sean; and great-grandchildren: Avery, Andi and Liam.

Join us in celebrating Maxine's journey and life with a visitation on Friday, January 10, 2020 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Ramsey Funeral Home, 5600 Williams Drive in Georgetown, Texas. Funeral Services will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, January 11, 2020 in the Chapel of Ramsey Funeral Home. Interment will be at Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery at a date and time to be determined.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to The Purple Heart Integration Project at www.PHIProject.org.

You may share a message or memory in the online memorial guestbook at www.Ramsey-Funeral.com.



to live and make

special friends in

the many places

they lived, includ-

Texas, Colorado,

Florida, Hawaii and

Perth, Australia.

Al and Dean's ad-

ventures took them

and their love of travel was

contagious to their kids and

16, 1932 to Mary Drymon and

George LittleStar in Fairfax,

Oklahoma. Al is survived

by his wife Dean; two sons

and their wives, Gary and

Desi LittleStar. and Mark

and Debbie LittleStar; four

grandchildren: Christopher

(Tracey) LittleStar, Erin Lit-

tleStar, Sarah (Josh) Currer,

and Krissy (Nicholas) Hearn;

and five great-grandchildren:

Vivienne, Audrey, Silas, Mar-

be held on Saturday, January 4

at 2 p.m. at Morningside Min-

istries at Menger Springs in

Boerne, TX and he will be in-

terred in Fairfax, OK in March

2020. The LittleStar family

invites you to make a contri-

bution to an organization of

your choice in memory of Al

and his kind, generous spirit.

A celebration of his life will

en, and Lydia.

He was born on December

Oklahoma,

### Dorothy"Kitty"Fischer

Dorothy "Kitty" Fischer passed away, peacefully, at home on January 8, 2020, surrounded by the love of family and friends. She was 91 years old.

Kitty was born on July 25, 1928, in Den-

ton, Texas to parents Ed and Gladys Day Rohde. After graduating high school in Austin, Texas she married the love of her life, John Joseph Fischer. They enjoyed 58 wonderful, unforgettable years together. With marriage, Kitty began her journey of being a Marine Wife. A journey she described as incredible; something she wouldn't have missed for the world. They retired to Austin, Texas and pursued a second career continuing the family business, Lone Star Shoe Service, originally started by Kitty's Mother. Their final retirement was to Georgetown, Texas where Kitty was very involved in St. Helens Catholic Church and School board activities. She volunteered many hours but always felt she received back so much more than she gave.

Her faith was her greatest strength.

Her marriage was her greatest love.

Raising three children was her greatest joy.

Fellowship with St. Helens Church community was her greatest comfort.

Kitty is survived by her daughter Jean-Terese Fischer, M.D. of Nashville, Tennessee; daughter Stephanie Hill and her husband Tom of Georgetown, Tex-

> as. Granddaughter Lara Raich and her husband Steve of Georgetown, Texas, Grandsons Jason Hill, Travis Hill, and Great grandsons Caleb, Jacob, and Peyton.

> She is preceded in death by her husband, John, and her son John Rohde.

> Visitation will be Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 6 p.m. followed by the rosary at 7 p.m. at St. Helens Catholic Church, 2700 E University Ave, Georgetown TX. A celebration of life will immediately follow at the Church Hall. A Funeral Mass will be held

> Friday, January 17, 2020, at 10 a.m. at St. Helens Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Cook Walden Capital Parks Cemetery 14501 I-35, Pflugerville, Texas.

> In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made to the St. Vincent De Paul So-



### Carolyn Calhoun

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Carolyn Calhoun, a loving wife, sister, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend to countless, on January 2, 2020.

Worth, Texas, to E.J. and Clifford McCann. She moved to Central Texas where she met and married Curtis Calhoun, her husband of forty years.

Carolyn was a strong courageous woman. She was a creative business partner who was never afraid to step out of the box and take risks. She could maneuver her way through many an obstacle. Carolyn never saw problems - only challenges to overcome.

Despite her busy schedule, Carolyn always found time for her passions. She loved volunteering at the Austin and Travis County Livestock Show and Rodeo (now Rodeo Austin) and spending time with her husband and a multitude of friends. Her biggest passion, however, was her family. She was a proud and loving mother and a fierce Nana.

The loss of Carolyn leaves a hole the size of Texas in our hearts, but Heaven has gained a beautiful angel to watch over us. We miss her and look forward to reuniting with her someday.

Carolyn is survived by her husband. Curtis Calhoun; sister Suann Claunch and husband Dickie. Her legacy includes her children: Michael Everist and wife

Nancy: Tracy Ro-Carolyn was born in Fort driguez and husband George; Cari Lemons and husband J.R.; her grandchildren, Cody, Connor, Melanie, Ashley, Matthew, Kyan, Christopher and wife Patricia, Joey and wife Lisa-Marie, and her great-grandchildren Brayden, Angelo, Charlotte and Bryce - as well as countless friends.

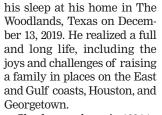
> The memorial service to honor the life of Carolyn has been scheduled for Friday, January 24 at 11 a.m. at Riverbend Church, in the Smith Chapel, 4214 N. Capital of Texas Highway, Austin, Texas

> In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Rodeo Austin scholarship fund with designation to the Curtis & Carolyn Calhoun Endowment. Checks can be made to Rodeo Austin and mailed to 9100 Decker Lake Road, Austin Texas 78724 or donations can be made online at RodeoAustin.com/donate.

Arrangements by Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral Home, Austin, Texas - (512) 452-8811. Remembrances may be shared at www.wcfish.com.

### Kay Davis John-

Charles Maxwell Clement, Jr. — oil and gas industry design engineer, classical music enthusiast, audiophile, sometimes aspiring rancher - formerly of Georgetown,



Charles was born in 1934 to Grace and Charles M. Clement. Sr. of New Orleans. He attended St. Stanislaus college preparatory school in Bay St. Louis and later studied electrical engineering at MIT in Cambridge. He met and married Kathryn Leyson Thomas of Boston while at MIT. Together, they raised five children, primarily in Houston where Charles was an engineer for Schlumberger, Ltd. He and his second wife Gavle relocated to Georgetown following Schlumberger headquarters' move to Austin, later

In written recollections of his early life, Charles noted that St. Stanislaus, a Catholic boarding school, had a very positive affect on him: he was conditioned to serious study, discipline, order, and character development. He valued self-sufficiency through a strong work ethic, reminding his children that "preparation meets opportunity." He would describe himself as a southern gentleman with northeastern sensibilities-polite, resolute, chivalrous, unassuming, respectful of differences. One had the impression he was modest in nearly every way. He had a humble estimate of his own merits, recognizing his imperfections and flaws. His children admired his curi-

As an admirer of the arts,



mances at home, too.

endearing memory at his pass-

Charles is survived by son Stephen D. Clement, Sr. and his wife Shannon of League City; son Thomas A. Clement of Houston; son Frederick L. Clement and his wife Donna of Austin; son Douglas J. Clement and his wife Jelena of Houston; daughter Jennifer C. Olinske and her husband Scott of Lenks; ten grandchildren and two great grandchildren; sister Cheryl C. Ottinger and her husband Patrick of Lafayette, and nephews Talbott and Stuart Ottinger; step-daughters Robin Deason and Lori Hutchinson of Magnolia; friends and extended

family. (née Thomas) of Houston.

Funeral rites were celebrated by The Rev. Lisa R. Neilson at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Houston, on January

### Kay Davis Johnson

son went home to be with our Lord on January 1, 2020, at age 78.

Kay was born to Walter B. and Pauline Love Davis on January 18, 1941 in Austin, Texas, where

life. At four years of age, Kay was struck with Polio. Her mother and father cared for her day and night. Amazingly, she overcame the disease with no lasting effects. Kay went on to learn to play the organ. She chose the organ because her sister, Mary Ann, played piano and Kay wanted to be different. She very much loved music and singing and was a member of the choir at Windsor Park Baptist Church, which her father directed.

Kay graduated from Stephen F. Austin High School in 1959, met the love of her life Winston Johnson shortly after, but went on to attend Baylor University for a year before graduating from business school. In August of 1961, she married Winston, and during the next 10 years she worked for the Department of Health, as well as breeding and showing champion Persian cats. She loved animals but most especially cats, and she adopted several homeless kitties from the shelter over the course of her life. By 1972 they decided to adopt a daughter, Lori, and three years later a son, Stephen. Kay resigned from her job to be at home with her children. The family moved to Georgetown in 1978 and by 1984 she began working at Georgetown Title Company where she was employed for 30

Kay was a dedicated, loving wife and mother as well as devoting many years to her church as a Sunday school teacher to kindergarten age children, and volunteering each summer for Vacation Bible School. Throughout her life she held an unwavering faith in God, which she shared with those around her. Kay also volunteered seven years at the Wesleyan Nursing Home by bringing the res-

idents books to read or by sitting and visiting with them. She brought lots of joy and touched many lives with her selflessness and kindness. She was a wonderful wife, mother, sister, aunt,

she lived for 37 years of her memaw, and friend to many. She will be missed greatly. It should also be mentioned that she was known to make the best chicken and dumplings ever (her own mother's recipe, which years ago Kay made seven days in a row to perfect it) as well as her famous cream

Kay now joins her husband Winston: her son. Stephen: and her parents, Walter and Pauline in Heaven. She is finally free from the mental and physical chains inflicted by her dementia.

She is survived by her daughter, Lori Stockton (husband Matt); grandchildren: Carmen, Jason and Leah; four step-grandchildren: Travis, Austin, Maddie and Mercedes; great-grandson, Isaac, all of Georgetown; her sister, Mary Ann Rauch; nephew, Marshall Rauch from Lubbock: and her niece, Mignone Rauch of

Schulenburg. A celebration of Kay's life is scheduled for 2 p.m. on Tuesday January 14, 2020 at First Baptist Church of Georgetown. Pastor David Griffin will officiate. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Alzheimer's Association (www.Alz.org) or to your local animal shelter. Special thanks and appreciation goes to Family Tree Assisted Living of Pflugerville and Hope & Grace Hospice for caring for Kay and making her comfortable the last six months of her life.

You may share a message or memory in the online memorial guestbook at www. RamseyFuneral.com.



### Charles Maxwell Clement, Jr.

died peacefully in

retiring from the firm.

osity and intellect.

Charles was keen to expose his children to an appreciation



taking them—more often than perhaps they would have yearned—to live performances in Houston's Jones As an audio-

phile, he sought to reproduce through high fidelity sound equipment at home what he so enjoyed in live theater. A sight to behold was Charles standing in his refuge at home, Klipschorn speakers blaring, mechanical pencil in hand, directing an imaginary orchestra performing Beethoven's Symphony No. 5 in C Minor. Even he was amused by his and the orchestra's movements under the impulsive gesturing of his leaded baton. There were operatic perfor-

All of that now a silent and

Charles is preceded in death by his parents Charles M. Clement, Sr. and Grace P. Clement; former wife Shirley Gayle Clement (née Butler) and step-daughter Cara Windsor of Georgetown; and first wife Kathryn Leyson Clement

Ottilie "Tillie" Kurio, age 92, of Georgetown, passed away on January 8, 2020. A time of visitation will be held on Friday, January 17, 2020 from 5-8 pm at Ramsey Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11:30 am on Saturday, January 18, 2020 at Zion Lutheran Church in Walburg.

**Death Notices** 

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## Second meeting set for brain disorders

By BRAD STUTZMAN

The University of Texas's Dell Medical School and the Texas Science Education Foundation have scheduled a second town hall in Georgetown, as researchers work toward developing a long-term study of diseases such as Alzheimer's and Parkinson's.

The meeting — a follow-up to last September's town hall at Sun City is scheduled for 1 to 2:30 p.m. Friday, January 31 in the community room at Georgetown Health Foundation, 2425 Williams Drive in the Lake Aire Center. The event is open to the public at no charge.

"This meeting will allow the community to learn more about the clinical studies that are anticipated." said Michael Douglas. executive director for the Texas Science Education Foundation.

Mr. Douglas is a Georgetown resident who helped organize the September town hall that drew about 150 people to the Sun City ballroom.

Following the town hall, about 360 people from throughout the Georgetown area responded to a survey and volunteered to take part in the planned clinical study of neurodegenerative diseases such as Parkinson's and Alzheimer's.

All those people, as well as all others, are invited to the January 31 town hall.

"We encourage all seniors of the community to attend who have already signed up and are in our system," Mr. Douglas said. "Also, we want to encourage others who have yet to sign up to get involved with clinical studies being planned."

Additionally, Mr. Douglas said, 50 retired health care professionals from the Georgetown area have signed on to be advisors with the proposed study.

The January 31 meeting will begin with a discussion of survey results. It will continue with a presentation on the topic "Understanding Memory Loss and Dementia," with a question and answer session to fol-

UT Medical School representatives and other professionals who spoke at the September town hall believe Georgetown's demographics make it a good place for launching an extensive study about aging and the brain.

According to city government figures, 42 percent of Georgetown's population is age 55 or older — with 29 percent age 65 and older.

The goal — which organizers acknowledge is ambitious — is to replicate something similar to the Framingham Heart Study.

Begun in 1948, the Framingham Study tracked the residents of a Massachusetts city across several generations, learning what are considered now-common understandings of risk factors for heart attacks and strokes.

### *Obituary*

### Davis Gordon (D.G.) Mayes

Davis Gordon (D.G.) Mayes, a World War II veteran who survived the attack on Pearl Harbor, passed away in Bryan, Texas, on New Year's Eve. He was 100 years old

Graveside ser-

vices for him are scheduled for 10 a.m. on Saturday, February 15, which would have been his 101st birthday, at the Odd Fellows Cemetery in Georgetown, Texas. A reception will follow at the Ramsey Funeral Home, 5600 Williams Drive, in Georgetown.

D.G. Mayes was born in 1919 on the family farm near Pontotoc, a village in Llano County, Texas. He was the oldest son of long-time cowboy Gordon Mayes and Snow Hoover Mayes, the daughter of the only medical doctor for miles around.

Growing up, "Dougie" picked cotton, plowed fields, milked cows, and worked cattle. He became a crack shot with a .22 rifle and brought home squirrels as needed for the family supper. He was always interested in how things worked, and he learned enough about the Model T to keep the family car running. He graduated from Hutchison High School in nearby Field Creek and joined the Army at the age of 18. Although in three years he rose to the rank of corporal as the company clerk, D.G. always wanted to join the Navy.

He was on his way to see a Navy recruiter in Dallas when he stopped in Georgetown to visit his uncle, who worked in an office at the county courthouse. It was there he met his future wife, Mary Josephine Logan. Mary Jo was the great, great granddaughter of George Washington Glasscock, who in the 1840s donated 172 acres for the townsite of "George's Town," later known as Georgetown.

D.G. had been in the Navy a little more than a year, and was a radioman aboard the USS Solace, a hospital ship, when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. The Solace was anchored some distance behind Battleship Row, and D.G. remembers seeing the great ships' masts perfectly aligned and then minutes later turned terribly askew. The Solace treated many wounded sailors, scores of them badly burned from oil fires on the

During the rest of the war, D.G. served as chief radioman aboard a tanker, the USS Enoree, a ship that earned seven battle stars for support efforts in some of the major battles in the Pacific, including Saipan, Iwo Jima and the Battle of the Philippine Sea. He said the scariest times were when he would receive two numbers from the bridge. They were the ship's current latitude and longitude, the position he would have to send out as an SOS if the ship, now in danger, came under attack.

When D.G.'s ship docked in New York City after convoy duty in the Atlantic, Mary Jo took the train there to marry

him on October 11, 1943. After the war, D.G. served on three destroyers and a tugboat, led the construction of a naval radio station in Grondal, Greenland, and served as chief-in-charge of communications for the Navy De-

partment in Wash-

ington, DC.

After he retired with the rank of chief petty officer from the Navy in 1957, he became an intelligence analyst for the Radio Corporation of America, and moved from the Washington, DC, area to Ohio, where he worked at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton for 20 years. He had a top-secret clearance and researched the communications and electronic capabilities of the Soviet Union and its satellites.

The Mayes retired in 1980 and moved back to Texas to a farm near Jarrell, where they raised cattle, chickens and a large vegetable garden. He bought and sold rent houses in Georgetown, took pride in fixing all things mechanical, and enjoyed playing 42. In 2008, they moved to Georgetown. where Mary Jo died six years later. They had been married for 71 years.

He and Mary Jo had four children, all of which survive him: son Dave Maves of Bryan, Texas; daughter Linda (Jesse) Brown of Arvada, Colorado; daughter Patricia Mayes (Dave Cutlip) of Beverly, West Virginia; and son John (Cindy) Mayes of Gresham, Oregon. He had two grandchildren: Logan (Sadie) Mayes of Cedar Park, Texas, and Sarah Mayes of Bryan. He was also survived by many nieces and nephews. D.G. was proud of his children and grandchildren and loved his family. He delighted in family reunions and gatherings with his old Navy shipmates. He loved telling stories about his days growing up in Pontotoc and the comical things that happened aboard the Enoree and the six other ships he served on. He wrote them all down and filled several notebooks

with tales of his adventures. He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers Sam Mayes of Marble Falls, Gordon (Chub) Mayes of Jarrell, sisters Clara Blanche Maves of Pontotoc, Snow Barber of Georgetown, Bonnie Hensarling of San Antonio, Nora Rigby of Plano, and half-sister

Nola Beasley of Ozona. In the last year of his life, D.G. moved to Bryan to live with his son Dave. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Honor Flight Austin, www. honorflightaustin.org, which serves veterans by bringing them at no cost to Washington, DC, to view memorials estab-

lished in their honor. You may share a message or memory in the online memorial guestbook at www.Ramsey-Funeral.com.



# Walton seeks District 6 seat

from Texas State Universitv and has worked for IBM in various roles for the last 21 years, most recently as a project manager. He's also the *Sun's* wine columnist.

Mr. Walton called his seven years in Georgetown life changing, from getting to know many people and volunteering to attending City Council meetings and working with council members and staff.

Two of his major goals as a potential councilman are

whole district.

to ensure the Square's vitality and engage with the He said the city needs to alternatives for visitors. "It's the heart of Georgetown. It's one of the reasons many people move here. We have to be conscious and

the downtown and creating

smart about what's happening or not happening," he said. District 6 encompasses central Georgetown, from the Georgetown Municipal Airport down I-35 and east to Southwestern University, with a portion just south of University Avenue. Mr. Walton's goal is to engage with residents in all areas, especially those he said aren't well known.

"All of District 6 matters. My goal would be to engage with the entire district and factor in their goals, aspirations and concerns with everyone else," he said.

# JP McLean to host mental health expo

The community is invited to learn about the mental health resources available in Georgetown and Williamson County at an information session from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday.

Pct. 3 Justice of the Peace Evelyn McLean will host the two-hour come-and-go event and admission is free. It will be in the county annex at 100 Wilco Way off the Southeast Inner Loop.

"I think a lot of people don't know where to turn if they or a loved one are experiencing mental health issues," Judge McLean said.

Williamson County's mental health Mobile Outreach Team, led by Annie Burwell, is among the groups scheduled to provide information and answer questions at the event.

Established in 2004, the MOT takes 911 referrals when law officers respond to reports of people in a mental health crisis. They work toward solutions that do not result in anyone going to jail.

"We will be there, letting people know they can always reach out to us for assistance," Ms. Burwell said.

"It's good for people to be educated and reminded about the resources. It's always good to tell people what's out there.

"The mental health sys-

tem is complicated and confusing. It's good to help people navigate their way through."

Figures from the 2019 Community Health Assessment indicate Williamson County has a suicide rate of 13.6 per 100,000 people. The statewide average is 12.8 per 100,000.

Several organizations sponsor the Community Health Assessment - including the Williamson County and Cities Health District, the United Way of Williamson County and St. David's Foundation.

Other sponsors are the Wilco Wellness Alliance, Ascension Seton, Baylor Scott & White Health, Georgetown Health Foundation. Lone Star Circle of Care, Bluebonnet Trails Community Services and Opportunities for Williamson and Burnet Counties.

Judge McLean said other mental health professionals are also scheduled to attend the event. "It's going to be one-stop

shopping for all resources related to mental health," she said. Judge McLean said chil-

dren are welcome at the event.

Activities for them include basketball and face painting.

— Brad Stutzman

# Fans strike up memories of baseball

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Bob Wakefield hosted in September at Mulligan's restaurant.

Since then volunteers many of whom attended that September meeting training.

Alzheimer's patients have difficulty with shortterm memory. Research indicates older memories are easier to tap into with a little prodding.

While there is no cure for Alzheimer's, researchers believe mental stimulation and social interaction might slow a patient's cognitive decline and improve their quality of life.

### Many happy shouts

Sue Marshall and Lynn Beall, both from Sun City, bonded Wednesday. Their respective husbands, Otto and Dave, accompanied them to Talking Baseball. The men are each big fans of the game. Their wives, maybe not so much, but they are devoted to their

"My husband has dementia," Ms. Marshall said.

"The caregivers get kind

of isolated," Ms. Beall said, adding her husband has been diagnosed with Par-

Two things to know about Dave Beall: The Cleveland Indians are his favorite ball other time, he hit four home runs in a nine-inning game.

"I don't follow baseball and I have no favorite player," Ms. Beall said. "But I've heard about Rocky Colavito for 44 years."

### Share a favorite play

Talking Baseball has scheduled five more sessions at The Wesleyan at Estrella. These are open to patients diagnosed with early-stage Alzheimer's or Parkinson's disease and their caregivers.

The meetings are set for 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. every other Wednesday:

- January 22 February 5

• February 19

· March 4 · March 18.

Light lunches will be provided. Discussion topics will include old ballparks, baseball movies and memories of favorite players or teams.

To sign up, call Victoria Cardenas at Alzheimer's Texas, 512-241-0420, ext. 10 or email vcardenas@txalz.org

club and their 1950s right fielder, Rocky Colavito, is his all-time favorite player. Possessing legendary arm strength, Colavito once threw a ball from home plate over a centerfield wall

- a distance of 436 feet. An-

"Don't knock the Rock!" Mr. Beall responded, to the delight of other older men who might have their own seemingly inexplicable sports obsessions.

Sun City volunteer Gerry Marx led everyone in singing "Take Me Out to the Ballgame," followed by a "Happy Birthday" salute to Elvis Presley.

A trivia game, featuring brain teasers about TV Westerns from the 1950s, elicited energetic cross talk

"What was the name of Roy Rogers' horse?" Mr. Kennon asked.

"Trigger!" several people called out. "What about his dog?

"Nellybelle," someone suggested. "No ... that was his Jeep.

The dog was Bullet." "I'm really enjoying the trivia." Mr. Marshall said

with a grin.

And so it went for more than 90 minutes. Many happy shouts of recognition filled the air, bringing to mind a nostalgic notion that maybe all days, when old, are good.

Participants enjoyed a light lunch of sandwiches and chips, appearing eager to get together again in two weeks.

"I've been doing this for five years in Central Texas and this is by far the biggest crowd we've ever had," Mr. Kennon said.

### City hosts dance for adults with disabilities

The Parks and Recreation Department will host a dance for adults age 18 and older with disabilities this week.

The event is at 6 p.m.

Friday at the Georgetown Community Center, 445 E. Morrow St. The theme is Winter Wonderland.

Admission is \$5 for participants and includes a meal. Advanced registration is recommended. Only cash or check will be taken at the door January 17. There is no charge for family members or caregiv-

ers, and they must remain present at all times.

For more information and to register, call 512-930-3596 or visit parks.george-

### Top singing trio to perform at Palace

Tenors Unlimited, a number one selling classical vocal trio and the "Rat Pack of Opera," will perform their new show That's Amoré next weekend at the Palace Theatre

The show will feature songs of love and laughter ranging from the ever popular classics like "La Donne E Mobile" to Frankie Valli's "Can't Take My Eyes Off You" and Dean Martin's "That's Amoré." Tenors Unlimited fea-

tures Scott Ciscon, Jem Sharples and Paul Martin, who have entertained audiences worldwide for more than 15 years with talents honed in their previous solo careers in opera and theater.

blend of wit, humour, charm and vocal arrangements to performances. Tenors Unlimited have

They bring their own

performed alongside notables like Sting, Lionel Richie, Beyoncé and the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra. Proceeds for all tickets to

eral operating fund and its capital campaign that supports the Doug Smith Performance Center project. Catch the performance

between the Palace's gen-

Friday, January 17 through Sunday, January 19 at the

# Continued from 1A

make sure the Square remains vital during a time of growth when developments are competing with

Palace, 810 S. Austin Ave. Tickets are available at www.tenorsunlimited. the shows will be divided com/tour



Ploy Lam, right, of Cedar Park and her daughter Leilani, 2, get to know a gray tabby.



Three gray tabby cats available for adoption cuddle together in a play area.

# Home for the holidays

any county residents welcomed the new year by bringing a new pet into the family. The Williamson County Regional Animal Shelter helped them find forever friends by waiving adoption fees for all dogs over 20 pounds and all cats on January 4 thanks to the Petco Foundation.

— Photos by Andy Sharp



Sue Courson of Hutto, left, and her granddaughter Madison Gilbert consider bringing home a dog called Kaya. Courson decided to foster Kaya at her home for two weeks to be certain Kaya got along well with her other dog, Honey.

### Attorney urges preparation for memory care issues

By KATE THURMOND

The San Gabriel Woman's Club hosted their monthly meeting in Berry Creek to discuss the legal aspects of caring for a person diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or dementia.

A group of almost 30 welcomed Sandra Lefler, a lawyer who operates out of Sun City.

She discussed the issues that may arise when a friend or family member develops one of these conditions. Ms. Lefler cited recent data from the Williamson County Community Health Assessment.

"In their 2019 Health Assessment Report, they determined that Alzheimer's disease was the third leading cause of death in Williamson County," she said. "That gives me goosebumps."

With Sun City making up such a large part of the county, Ms. Lefler believes the local community in particular is at higher risk for degenerative diseases and so must pay appropriate attention to the ramifications.



Jean Holden greets the San Gabriel Woman's Club members and guests for a meeting on January 9.

One of the most common issues Ms. Lefler said she deals with are guardianships appointments.

"Guardianships can be very complicated for people who have not taken the opportunity to do some of the legal planning that goes into preparing for events of illness," she said.

Someone is diagnosed

with Alzheimer's disease every 65 seconds in the U.S., according to the Alzheimer's Association, which makes the appointment of a guardian an essential step in preparation for any older

adult at risk.

Appointing a guardian ensures that if a person loses the capacity to care for themselves, they have chosen a representative they trust to make decisions in their care. This also keeps the individual from being taken advantage of finan-

cially. Ms. Lefler also urged the importance of individuals appointing a medical power of attorney and durable power of attorney while they are still at the legal capacity to do so - they are uncompromised by a degenerative memory dis-

"A will will cover what

ease. This differs from a



Jean Houck and Pat Malinowski grab refreshments.



Denise Hilburn welcomes members of the San Gabriel Woman's Club and guests.

happens when you die," Ms. Lefler said. "These documents cover what happens to you while you're still living."

Host and former president of the San Gabriel Woman's Club Jean Holden was pleased by the interest Ms. Lefler stoked in the meeting

"It charged them to start having these conversations," she said. "I'm just so glad [Ms. Lefler] was listening to our concerns. Alzheimer's and dementia are such important issues

Ms. Lefler plans to continue spreading awareness of the importance of legal preparation when dealing with memory-related ill-

She hopes to expand to work in the coming year with local organizations that deal with these diseases, both for patients and caregivers.

"We'd really like to expand our social outreach," she said. "These are topics we deal with on a daily basis. Sharing this information is very important to us."



Mary Martha Denham and Virginia Pargman guestion Ms. Lefler for clarification on wills verses power of attorney.

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The Williamson County Regional Animal Shelter welcomes the public to celebrate Champ's survival and recovery after he sustained serious injuries, and celebrate his adoption by his foster caregiver Monday afternoon.

### Celebrate survival of a champ

The Williamson County Regional Animal Shelter invites the community to celebrate Champs Day at 3 p.m. Monday in its adoption center lobby at 1855 Southeast Inner Loop.

Champ, the bull terrier who spent months in recovery, will officially be adopted by his foster Officer John Schultz in a ceremony led by the honorable Judge Evelyn McLean at the Precinct 3 Justice of the Peace courtroom at 100 Wilco Way.

"Champs Day is not only a day to celebrate Champ," Shelter Director Cheryl Schneider said. "It also celebrates all of the animals who need a little extra help to find their families and all the individuals who help make that happen."

Champ was allegedly dragged and run over when he fell from the back of the pickup truck he was tethered to, which resulted in significant injuries including lacerations, burns and a broken pelvis. Champ received multiple surgeries and countless treatments since.

His medical needs were supported by community donations to Jane's Fund, the shelter's medical fund devoted to emergency and special medical care.

In honor of Champs Day, the shelter encourages the community to support Jane's Fund. Donations are accepted in person at the shelter and online at wilco-

Everyone is welcomed to the Champs Day reception at the center. The shelter will provide refreshments and free adoptions for anyone wearing a superhero-themed outfit.

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### City offers pet tips

Did Santa bring a new puppy or kitten for Christmas? Here are some important tips to remember when caring for a new pet.

· Always leash your pet in public. It is against city ordinances for dogs to be at large in the city limits and for cats that have not been altered or vaccinated to be at large. It is also against city ordinances to chain or tether your dog unless a person is holding the restraint.

· License your pet. All dogs and cats that live within the city limits are required to have an annual city license. The city's pet license requirement helps keep rabies under control by enforcing the rabies vaccination requirements. A license is \$5 for animals that

are spayed or neutered or \$20 for unaltered animals. For residents age 65 and older, the license is free if the pet is spayed or neutered. Free licenses are limited to one per person.

• Don't let your pet be a nuisance. You may not allow an animal to damage private property other than the owner's property. Pick up after your pet by immediately removing any waste on public or private property and properly disposing of it. Free-roaming cats that cause a nuisance while off their owner's property can be impounded and their owner can be fined.

Learn more Georgetown's animal-related ordinances at pets. georgetown.org/overview/ ordinances





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# BUSINESS

### **BIZ BRIEFS**

### GTX Film sets 2020 fest

City Lights Theater will host the 2020 GTX Film Festival in April and the group revealed this year's poster Friday, Jan.10.

The 2020 GTX Film Festival will be April 23-25 at the movie theater at 420 Wolf Ranch Road.

The posters, which were designed by 2019 Art Hop Best in Show winner Carrie Cook, will be placed around the lobby of the theater. More information about the festival is at www.gtxfilm.org

#### Pearl Snap hosts evening out

Pearl Snap Hall and Gardens, a wedding and event venue on North Austin Avenue, will host an open house event 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. January 16. Event goers can enjoy a cocktail and view the venue at night. The hall is at 701 N. Austin

#### H-E-B tops U.S. grocery stores

H-E-B, a regional grocer with two stores in Georgetown and more than 400 stores in Texas and Mexico, was rated the top U.S. grocery store by data science firm Dunnhumby.

The grocer moved up from last year's fourth place rank to beat Trader Joe's, the highest ranking store for the last two years. Grocers were ranked according to their performance in price, quality, digital, operations, convenience, discounts and rewards, and speed. The report evaluated 60 U.S. retailers based on how 7,500 U.S. consumers responded to questions.

#### Start the day at First Watch cafe

First Watch The Daytime Cafe will open January 13 in Wolf Crossing. First Watch will serve breakfast, brunch and lunch from 7 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. daily at 1225 W. University Ave.

### CBD store opens off the Square

Radix Remedies, a store offering a variety of organic, U.S.-made CBD products, opened on 10th Street near Austin Avenue November 4.

The shop sells CBD oils, soft gel capsules, topicals and edibles. Radix also sells CBD products for pets and CBD flowers. The store is at 206 W. 10th St.

### Timeshare event set in Sun City

Timeshare Attorneys of America will host an informational event at the end of the month in Sun City. Presenters will help timeshare owners learn how to cancel timeshares legally and safely.

The event will be from 9 to 10 a.m. January 28 in the Sun City Texas Activity Center, 1 Texas Drive. A complimentary breakfast will feature champagne mimosas. Call 1-844-222-3948 or visit www.844abcexit.com for more information

### Texas eatery will open in Wolf Crossing

Willie's Grill and Icehouse serving burgers, Southern food, Cajun and Tex-Mex will open January 20 at 1301 S. IH 35 Frontage Rd in Wolf Crossing. The burger joint turned casual bar and grill started in Houston in 1993 and Georgetown's is the 18th location to open in Texas. The restaurant opens at 11 a.m. every day.

#### Magazine names Texas 'State of the Year'

Business Facilities magazine named Texas the "State of the Year" for its capital investment and job creation. Texas is the first state to win the magazine's top honor for the fourth time.

Billions of dollars were infused into the Texas economy from investments by Uber and Apple and by major natural gas projects in 2019, which the magazine said created hundreds of thousands of jobs. Texas previously won the award in 2007, 2012 and 2016.

#### Ozarka films commercial on Square, at Blue Hole

A production company filmed parts of a commercial in Georgetown last week for the natural spring water brand Ozarka. The  $commercial\,will\,feature\,the\,Square$ and Blue Hole Park along with other towns in Texas. The production crew blocked off areas of parking on the Square Wednesday.



Paige Pullen offers apparel, accessories and home goods at Red Bird Mercantile on the north side of the Square.

# Red Bird feathers new nest

By CHARLOTTE KOVALCHUK

Those searching for a new outfit, jewelry or home goods can check out Red Bird Mercantile, which opened on the north side of the Square last month.

Paige Pullen owns Red Bird at 109 W. Seventh St. by Cianfrani Coffee, her second store on the Square. She also owns The Nest just down the block, which shares space with The Exchange Consignment Boutique next to Novita Spa.

Ms. Pullen opened The Nest, then called Red Bird, in June 2018 and said she has since been looking for a second location. When the building that used to house Franklin and Co. Fine Jewelers became available, she decided it was the right time to expand.

"My husband and I loved the Square and the feel of it and the eople. We loved the charm of it.



In addition to clothing. Red Bird Mercantile sells accessories and home decor.

here," Ms. Pullen said.

She worked as a regional sales manager for a furniture company before her husband secured a job with Apple in Austin in 2012. It felt right to open another space ents in Georgetown before mov- and jewelry, she naturally started over the years," she said.

ing here. The couple wanted a house in Old Town, she said, and

held out until they found one. Ms. Pullen, a stay-at-home mom, wanted something else to They would often visit her par- do. She said as a lover of clothing a business featuring those items. She would take her wares to Market Days and vendor shows before becoming a vendor at The Exchange. Later, she began sharing a larger section of the store and The Nest now takes up the upstairs and front part of The Exchange.

Ms. Pullen enjoys hunting for unique items from local artisans and the Dallas Market Center.

Red Bird Mercantile opened its doors December 7 during the Christmas Stroll. Launching during the busiest time of the year was both exciting and easy advertising with the large Stroll crowds, Ms. Pullen said.

She said interaction with shoppers has been the best part of the job. "We really enjoy working with our customers and helping them find the perfect item. We love getting to know our customers. Many nave become irlends

# Boomtown takes the fun on the road

By LISA HELLIER

Simplify is the signature word of 2020 for Valerie Nicholson, co-owner of Boomtown Escapes.

With the new year and a lease renewal coming up for the game room just off the Square, Ms. Nicholson and her husband Blake decided it was time for a change.

It was time to simplify and go mobile like the couple originally had planned when they came up with the idea of opening an escape room.

They decided to try out a permanent location in 2018, Ms. Nicholson said, after they fell in love with the space at 215 W. 8th St., but the transition to mobile just made sense as it better fits the community needs and their business goals.

They will be able to serve larger groups, provide a level of convenience by going directly to customers and can connect with other businesses through venue suggestions. It has been a fairly easy tran-

sition, she said. They operate a mobile photo booth they started six years ago called TapSnap. The Nicholsons run both of their mobile businesses through their company SNAP Social Inc.

"We felt it would be best to have all our our services under the same sort of 'mobile' offering," she said.

With a mobile service, Ms. Nicholson said they are free to spend more time going to community and private events such as festivals, project graduations, birthday parties, retirement community activities and fam-



Owners Valerie and Blake Nicholson are inside the saloon room at Boomtown Escapes, which transitioned into a mobile service at the beginning of this year.

ily fun centers. She said one of their largest customers is H-E-B, which has used their mobile photo booth service for events.

Although doing business on the Square has become more expensive for some, Ms. Nicholson said her business isn't leaving because of a rent increase. She said she's looking forward to seeing the business taking their place flourish. To Have and to Hold, a bridal registry and gift shop in Round Rock will move into the space soon.

As a member of the Georgetown City Council and a board member with the Chamber of

Commerce, she said it is important to support fellow business owners and a vibrant business community. Ms. Nicholson said she loved

the space and the experience off the Square but is excited for the next step. "We need to be comfortable

with endings as much as the beginnings," she said.

The transition is a mix of both for Boomtown. She said the photo booth and escape room businesses are fun to run, and she likes being involved in event entertainment.

"People are becoming more

interested in experience over things." she said.

In the 20 months they operated off the Square, she said they hosted more than 5,000 escape game players, and she expects to host at least that number per year by switching to mobile.

Boomtown Escapes mobile will offer 15 and 30 minute escape game options for groups, along with an interactive dinner experience and more than 100 board games. An experienced game master will lead groups in activities. Pricing and scheduling are online at the Boomtown Escapes website.

## City gallery features student work, others focus on bird images

The new artwork at the City Hall Gallery will exhibit work by Advanced Placement Art students from GISD through March. Students, parents and art instructors, as well as Arts and Culture Board members and City staff celebrated the students' talents and accomplishments at a reception January 10.

The gallery is in the lobby at 808 Martin Luther King Jr St.

### Georgetown Library

The library's first-floor Cafe Gallery will feature a solo exhibit titled *Dynamic* Birds of Prey photographed by Craig Meurer January 15 through February 22. His portfolio includes photos of more than 80 species of birds of prey, including portraits, environmental photos and images of birds in flight.

This exhibit includes many rare species including red kites, black-chested buzzard eagles, black eagles, golden eagles, bateleur eagles, European kestrels, vultures, owls and more. The photos highlight these amazing birds and show the power, grace and grandeur of this important part of the animal kingdom.

Mr. Meurer has been a professional photographer for more than 30 years in the areas of commerce, news, nature and sports.

The library is at 402 W. Eighth Street. Call 512-930-3551 for more information.

### **Hummingbirds**

Fascination with Hum*mingbirds* is the theme of Ted Keller's exhibit at the Wesleyan on Scenic in the facility's main hallway. Each close-up image in this photographic series de-



### **SCAPES**

Ellen Greenev

picts intriguing hummingbird behavior.

The hummingbird exhibit will be on display through the end of February.

Members of the Williamson County Art Guild regularly provide interesting and colorful artwork for residents, staff and visitors at the facility at 2001 Scenic

### Youth Art Show

Williamson County youth ages 14-18 are invited to participate in the Youth Art Show in March and April at the Downtowner Art Gallery in Round Rock.

There is no fee to enter and is limited to two works. The call will remain open until 100 works have been submitted or February 2.

For more details and submission requirements, visit roundrockarts.org

### Photographic Workshop

Ted Keller's upcoming photographic workshop. Photographing Your Artworks for Exhibit Submission and Media, is 9 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, February 1. The cost is \$60.

Mr. Keller will lead the workshop at the Downtowner Art Gallery, 231 E. Main St. in Round Rock.

Registration closes January 30.

Visit roundrockarts.org for more information and registration.



One of the dozen photographs of hummingbirds by Ted Keller is on display at the Wesleyan on Scenic through the end of February.

### Texas Touring Roster

January 31 is the deadline for Texas artists, groups and nonprofit organizations to apply to be included in the 2020-2022 Texas Touring Roster. The roster is a listing of Texas-based artists and companies that tour the state to provide quality arts experiences.

The roster is open to all artistic disciplines including visual arts. Touring artists offer workshops, master classes, lecture-demonstrations or arts education components. Visual artists are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to expand the work they do with community members. The application form is on the Submittable platform at texascommissiononthearts.submittable.com/ submit.

### Arts Convergence

Art Talks with Master Artist Letitia Eldredge is 1 to 3 p.m. February 2. The event is hosted by Arts Convergence from Coupland and is the first in a series of seven talks titled Art By Story. Space is limited to 10 attendees and a suggested donation is \$10. All proceeds will benefit the Texas Arts Non-Profit Arts Convergence. Light refreshments will be served.

For tickets, contact Judith Estrada Garcia at EstradaGarciaGallery@ gmall.com.

### Salado Glassworks

According to Amanda Still, Arts and Culture coordinator, Salado Glassworks will not be relocating to Georgetown as previously reported. Gail Allard and his talented crew of glass artists will remain in Salado, teaching and creating custom hand blown glass.

### **Events**

- · Waterloo Watercolor reception at the library 2-4 p.m. January 12
- Arts and Culture Brown Bag luncheon at the library noon-1:30 p.m. January 22
- · Helena Conti-Hatch's reception at the library 2-4 p.m., January 26
  - Wes Odell reception at

the Legacy 4:30-6 p.m., January 31

· Private art evening with Chesley 6-8 p.m., February 13. Pre-paid ticket required. Contact Susie.Flatau@ georgetownartworks.org.

#### **Exhibits**

- · Waterloo Watercolor at the library through January 12
- · Karen Limbaugh nature photos at the library through January 13
- · Mike Biggs exhibit at Legacy through January 29
- · Cheryl Janssen Tanzania photos in Sun City through January 31
- · Synthesis exhibit at Lamppost Gallery through January 31
- Wes Odell's This is Texas exhibit at Impressions Gallery through February 7
- · Art Market exhibit at TAGat120Art in Taylor through February 7 · Members show at
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- Rebecca Bennett's Meta Garden at the Art Center through February 9 · Helena Conti-Hatch's ex-
- hibit at the library through February 22 · Craig Meurer's Birds of
- Prey at the library January 15 through February 22 • Wes Odell photo exhibit
- at The Legacy January 31 through February 25 · Art Guild exhibits
- at Healing Arts gallery through February 27 Ted Keller humming-
- birds at Wesleyan Scenic through February 29 · Art Guild exhibits at
- Jarrell library through March 2

### Open Calls

· Youth Art Show at Downtowner Gallery deadline February 2

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A puffball or Bovista mushroom emits a rust-colored dust, which are spores, if disturbed

### Mushrooms spread spores



**ASK ME** 

Ellen Greeney

Q. What is this horrible "plant" that appeared in my yard? I accidentally stepped on it and it burst into a rust dust bomb covering my shoes. How can I keep them from coming to my yard?

A. Williamson County Master Gardener Val Black identified the "plant" as a Bovista or puffball mushroom. She provided information from Garden-Guides.com and said these ous, but the spore dust isn't  $% \left( \frac{1}{2}\right) =\left( \frac{1}{2}\right) \left( \frac{1}{2$ good for your lungs.

From GardenGuides.

"Most puffballs are medium to large. They can be found in clusters or growing in circles known as fairy rings. They stay white until they reach their fully mature, spore-bearing stage. At this point, they turn brown. They can be recognized by the puffs of brown dust they produce when disturbed, which consists of the puffball mushroom spores.

"It is difficult to eliminate puffball mushrooms entirely, as the spores are extremely small. They will also likely be entrenched in the soil around the area where puffball mushrooms are appearing. You can remove the soil around this area, but this will be a great deal of trouble and effort. The best method of control is to catch the puffball mushrooms in early stages of development and pick them off your lawn, as it will be nearly impossible to stop the spread of spores at the brown stage."

Q. I received a steam egg cooker for Christmas and the instructions talk about the "bottom of the egg." What is considered the bottom?

A. Lucky us. I received one as well and the instructions for my unit include drawings indicating the bottom of the egg is more pointed. The other end (top) is more rounded. Check out the eggs in the carton. Typically, the eggs in the carton are placed with the top up.

Q. The latest report on restaurant inspection scores online is September. Why does it take so long for inspection scores to appear?

**A.** Typically, the reports are available online sooner than you describe. The statistical report provided by the Health Department appears in the *Sun* the last Sunday of each month.

The Williamson County and Cities Health District offers information about establishments such as in-

### **Building Permits** filed January 2-8

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### Planning And Zoning

WHO / WHERE / WHAT

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- Beaute Studio Brows & Esthetics / 1005 Rock Street / Semi permanent makeup studio Mesquite Creek Outfitters / 606 South Church Street / repaint the color
- Partner Engineering and Science, Inc. / 1205 South I-35 / Zoning Letter Request
- Cedillos & Company / 3204 Northwest Boulevard / 5,700 sf building and
- Doleva Elite Tree / 232 East Cimarron Hills Trail / N/A
- Steger Bizzell / 401 South Highway 130 / Removal of HT

## FFA alumni raises funds for EVHS student competitions

By LISA HELLIER

The East View High School Alumni will host a pet vaccination clinic from 5 to 7 p.m. January 20 at the school to raise funds for students in the school's FFA program and competitions.

"This is potentially one of the largest fund-raisers of our year and the students' competition season is upon us," Kris Williams, EVHS Alumni member and mother of an FFA student said.

"The majority of funds will be used for travel to competitions this spring and State FFA Convention next summer."

Local veterinarian Dr. John Tarlton will administer the vaccinations.

A complete yearly vaccine is \$20 with a flea and heartworm preventative available. Rabies shots are \$5. Bordetella vaccines for dogs are \$10 and DHLP/ parvo/corona shots are \$15. RCC/Felux vaccines for cats are \$15.

The school is at 4490 E. University Ave. Vaccinations will be in the ag building on the southeast side of the high school.

Call Lara Tarlton at 512-238-1093 for more informa-

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### Person of the Year shares her story

Lark & Owl Booksellers will host a conversation with Sherron Watkins, TIME Magazine's 2002 Person of the Year at the end of this

Ms. Watkins, a Georgetown resident, will speak about the globe, ethics, flawed leadership and the toxic label of whistleblower. She was employed for more than two decades as an executive for three large global companies: the accounting firm Arthur Andersen, German metals giant Metallgesellschaft AG, and Enron Corp. All were multi-billion dollar multinational companies brought down by scandal. Ms. Watkins' journey has inspired many and crystallized her focus to improve the lot of whistleblowers and would-be whistleblowers.

Debika Sihi, associate professor of economics and business at Southwestern University, and Courtney King, a senior business student at Southwestern University, will moderate the community conversation.

The event will be at 7 p.m. January 30 at 205 W. Sixth St. by Monument Cafe. Tickets are \$10 per person at eventbrite.com



Georgetown resident Sherron Watkins, *TIME Magazine's* Person of the Year in 2002, will speak at Lark and Owl Booksellers

### Check into personal trainers for best fit

Many are determined to achieve their personal fitness goals in the beginning of a new year, and they might achieve this in many ways. Committing to healthy eating and working out is the most common way to improve health, but consumers who want a more-focused approach may opt to hire a personal trainer.

Some trainers might charge per session, while others may require you to sign a contract agreeing to pay for a certain amount of sessions ahead of time. Before opening your wallet, use these tips from your Better Business Bureau to find the personal trainer that's right for you.

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no secret that a personal trainer is one of the pricier options for maintaining your fitness goals. However, the benefits of one-on-one training include increased motivation and safety, as well as specialized workouts for those training for sports or rehabilitating after surgeries.

Decide how much you're willing to spend, per session or overall, and stick to your budget. Keep in mind that cost can vary between trainers at gyms and independent trainers.

• Ask questions. Ask the trainers you're inter-

ested in working with any questions you may have. However, Men's Health says it is just as important to listen to the questions a personal trainer asks you. A good trainer should know to ask about your medical and health history, which will help them craft routines that are both safe and effective.

 Check credentials. You should also look into their credentials, since anyone can advertise themselves as a personal trainer.

Did they attend an organization accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA)? The National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA) is one example of an organization accredited by the NCCA. A Certified Personal Trainer (CPT) or Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (CSCS) will have their credentials following their name, like so: Jane Doe, NSCA-CPT.

 Read contracts closely. You will likely have to sign a contract, no matter what sort of personal trainer or payment plan you opt for. As with any contract, read it closely, and be sure to check for all the details, including payment, dates valid, cancellation fees, etc. Never sign a blank contract, be sure all information is completed and checked before signing.

For more information, visit bbb.org.

### Legal Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Robert Francis Mijares, Deceased, were issued on December 20, 2019, in Cause No. 19-1078-CP4, pending in In the County Court at Law No. 4 of Williamson County, Texas, to: David Constantine dent Executor may be delivered at the following address: c/o Barnes Lipscomb Stewart

& Ott PLLC Attorneys at Law Rollingwood Center 2500 Bee Cave Road Building II, Suite 150 Austin, Texas 78746 All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated the 7th day of January,

/s/ Barbara J. Lipscomb Barbara J. Lipscomb Attorney for Independent

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON TO ALL PERSONS INTER-ESTED IN THE ESTATE OF

DAVID LEON ALTMAN, DE-CEASED, Cause No. 20-0014-CP4, in County Court at Law #4 of Williamson County, 405 Martin Luther King Street, Georgetown, Texas DEBORAH L. HAIGH, Appli-

cant in the above numbered and entitled estate, filed on the 7th day of January, 2020 an APPLICATION TO DE-TERMINE HEIRSHIP of the said estate and requests that the said Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of the said DAVID LEON ALT-MAN, DECEASED, and their respective shares and interest in such estate

Said application may be heard at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on or after the first Monday next after the expiration of ten days from the date of publication of this citation, at the Williamson County Jus-tice Center in Georgetown, Williamson County, Texas.
All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Court on or before above mentioned time and place by rilling a written answer contesting such application should they desire to do so. If this citation is not served within 20 dove after the date. within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of office at Georgetown, Texas, this the 7th day of January, 2020. Nancy E. Rister Williamson County Clerk 405 MLK Street, Box 14 Georgetown, Texas 78626 By:/S/C. Dawson, Deputy Applicant's Attorney

Kevin Henderson 213A West 8th St. Georgetown, TX 78626 State of Texas:

County of Williamson: You are hereby notified that a joint public hearing will be held by the City Council and the City Planning and Zoning Commission in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 161 Town Center Blvd., Jarrell, Texas on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. for

The nature of such public hearing will be to consider the Open a public hearing to consider the request of Circle K Stores Inc for a special use permit of a 2.78-acre tract of land located at 9115 N IH 35. The purposed use is new facilities while maintaining the

**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS** HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JAMES H. MORRIS, III, DECEASED

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Notice is hereby given that
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Morris, IV, Deceased, were issued on October 28, 2019, in Cause No. 19-0983-CP4 pending in County Court at of County, Texas, to James H. Morris, IV. Claims may be presented in

care of the attorney for the Executor addressed as James H. Morris, IV

Independent Executor, Estate of James H. Morris, III c/o Don E. Walden 8310-1 N. Capital of Tx Hwy, Suite 305

Austin, Texas 78731 All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
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ary, 2020 /S/Don E. Walden Don E. Walden State Bar No. 20672800 8310-1 N. Capital of Tx Hwy, Suite 305 Austin, Texas 78731

(512) 349-9595 (512) 795-8079 Fax NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary in the Estate of William Randolph Gilbert, Deceased, were issued on January 3, 2020 in Cause No. 19-1185-CP4 pending in County Court at Law Number 4 of Williamson County, Texas, to: Lucinda E. Gannon and Sarah C. Gilbert.

Claims may be presented to: Representative, Estate o William Randolph Gilbert c/o PETERSON & PETER-SON ASSOCIATES, P.C. 1205 S. Austin Avenue Georgetown, Texas 78626 (512) 930-1202

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. DATE: January 6, 2020 PETERSON & PETERSON ASSOCIATES, P.C. 1205 S. Austin Avenue Georgetown, Texas 78626 By:/s/Christina Peterson Christina Peterson

State Bar No. 00792757 T. Layne Peterson State Bar No. 00797241 ATTORNEYS FOR REPRESENTATIVE

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In accordance with the Texas

Election Code, a public Logic and Accuracy test of the electronic voting equipment and test of the Central Accumu-lator System to be used in the Primary Elections on March 3, 2020 will be conducted at the Georgetown Annex, 100 Wilco Way, Georgetown, Texas, on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. and into Wednesday, January 15, 2020, at the Williamson County Inner Loop Annex,

301 SE Inner Loop, Georgetown, Texas, if necessary. De acuerdo con el C¢digo Electoral de Texas, la prueba publica de Exactitud y Logica del equipo electronico de votacion y la prueba del Siste-ma Acumulador Central que sera utilizado en el elecciones primarias del 3 de marzo de 2020, seran llevadas a cabo en el Anexo de Georgetown, en 100 Wilco Way, Georgetown, Texas, el martes 14 de enero de 2020 a las 9:00 a.m. y si es ne-cesario hasta el miercoles 15 de enero de 2020 en el Anexo Inner Loop del Condado de Williamson, en 301 SE Inner Loop, Georgetown,

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF SOLICITATION The Williamson County Commissioners Court invites the submission of sealed resubmission of

sponses for:

3185 IFB Great Oaks Drive Waterline Relocations
Sealed responses will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Williamson County Purchasing Office located at 100 Wilco Way, Suite P101, Georgetown, Texas 78626 on Jan 29 2020 10:00 AM (UTC-06:00). All sealed responses must be re-

ceived on or before the stated opening date and time.
Solicitation documents can be viewed by visiting the Williamson County Negometrix Portal at http://platformus.negometrix.com or by visiting the Williamson County Purchasing website at http:// www.wilco.org/purchasing and selecting the link register for bids. There is no fee to register as a supplier or to participate in the County's so-

licitation process. Any bonds that may be required for this solicitation will be specified in the solicitation

documents.
The Williamson County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept the best value response as deemed

by the Court, or reject any and/or all responses.
The receipt of electronic responses will be registered in Negometrix. The Time-Date Stamp Clock located at the Williamen County Purchas-Williamson County Purchasing Department will serve as the official clock for the purpose of verifying the date and time of receipt of paper re-

Respondents shall submit respondents snall submit pricing as specified in the solicitation documents. Payment will be made by the respondents preferred method as filed with the Williamson County Auditors Office, pro-vided that respondents preferred method of payment is a form of payment acceptable to Williamson County.
The designated Purchasing

Agent for this solicitation is Johnny Grimaldo, Purchasing Specialist III. under the direction of Randy Barker, Purchasing Agent for Williamson County, 512-943-1553.

Issued by order of the Williamson County Commisliamson Cousioners Court, Bill Gravell Jr., County Judge. NOTICE OF APPLICATION

FOR AN AIR QUALITY STANDARD PERMIT FOR PERMANENT ROCK AND CONCRETE CRUSHERS PROPOSED AIR QUALITY REGISTRATION NUMBER 159577

APPLICATION. Texas Starmac, LLC, 40206 Industrial Park Circle # 101, Georgetown, Texas 78626-4761 has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an Air Quality Standard Permit, Registration Number 159577, which would authorize construction of a permanent rock crusher. The facility is pro-posed to be located at 5861

County Road 234, Jarrell, Williamson County, Texas 76537. This application is being processed in an expedited manner, as allowed by the commission's rules in 30 Tex-Administrative Chapter 101, Subchapter J. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. http:// www.tceg.texas.gov

assets/public/hb610/ index.html?lat=30. 802074&lng=-97.691352&

zoom=13&type=r. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on December 23, 2019. The executive director has determined the application was technically complete on January 2, 2020.

PUBLIC COMMENT. Writ-

ten public comments about this application may be submitted at any time during the public comment period. You may submit public comments either in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmen-Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or electronically at www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record. The deadline to submit public comments is 30 days after newspaper notice is pub-

RESPONSE TO COM-MENTS. A written response to all relevant comments will be prepared by the executive director after the comment period closes. The response, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and requested to be added to the mailing list. The response to com-

ments will be posted in the permit file for viewing.
The executive director shall approve or deny the application not later than 30 days after the end of the public comment period, considering all comments received within the comment period, and base this decision on whether the application meets the re-quirements of the standard

CENTRAL/REGIONAL OF-FICE. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ Central Office and the TCEQ Austin Regional Office, located at 12100 Park 35 Circle Bldg A Rm 179, Austin, Texas 78753-1808, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, beginning the first day of publi-

cation of this notice.

INFORMATION. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea informaci¢n en Espapol, puede llamar al 1 800-

Further information may also be obtained from Texas Starmac, LLC, 40206 Industrial Park Circle # 101, George-town, Texas 78626-4761, or by calling Mrs. Melissa Fitts, Vice President, Westward Environmental, Inc. at (830) Notice Issuance Date:

January 6, 2020 NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF MARY CATHERINE THOMAS, DECEASED Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Mary Cathe-Thomas, Deceased were issued January 7, 2020 in Cause No. 19-1029-CP4 pending in County Court No. 4 of Williamson County, Texas, to Joseph A. Thomas, Jr. The notice to the Independent Executor may be delivered at the following address: c/o John M. Lane Law, PLLC 1001 Cypress Creek Road Suite 405, Cedar Park, Texas 78613. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Joseph A. Thomas , Independent Executor of the Estate of Mary Catherine

Thomas, Deceased. NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE of property to satisfy landlord lien. Sale is at 165 CR 313 East, Jarrell, Texas 76537 on Saturday, January 25, 2020 at 10:00am. Property will be sold to the highest bidder. Cashier's check, credit cards and money orders accepted Cleanup and removal deposit may be required. Seller requires the right to withdraw property from sale. Property includes contents of spaces of the following tenants: BOATMAN, KELLY- HH. GOODS

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IN RE THE ESTATE OF JAMES ROBERT TAYLOR a/k/a JIM TAYLOR DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 4 WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS NOTICE TO CREDITORS and NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT **EXECUTRIX** 

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of James Robert Taylor a/k/a Jim Taylor, Deceased were granted and issued to Sandra Kay Taylor a/k/a Sandy Taylor, as Inde pendent Executrix of the Es tate, on the 25th day of November, 2019 in Cause No. 19-0948-CP4, In Re: the Estate of James Robert Taylor a/k/a Jim Taylor in the County Court at Law No. 4 Sitting in Probate, Williamson County, Texas.

All persons having claims against the Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law, addressed in care of the representative's attorney as

Estate of James Robert Taylor a/k/a Jim Taylor c/o Calley D. Callahan, Attorney for Independent Executrix

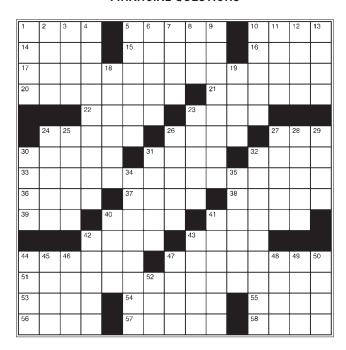
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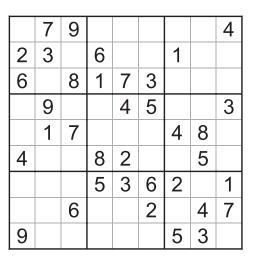
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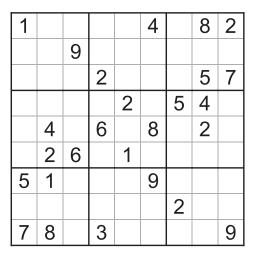


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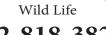
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76537, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0014594001, which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at an annual average flow not to exceed 4,000,000 gallons per day. TCEQ received this application on April 8, 2019. The facility is located on Farm-to-Market Road 487, approximately 5,190 feet east-southeast of the intersection of County Road 303 and Farm-to-Market Road 487, in Williamson County. Texas 76537. The treated effluent is discharged to Donahoe Creek, thence to Little River in Segment No. 1213 of the Brazos River Basin. The unclassified receiving water use is high aquatic life use for Donahoe Creek. The design nated uses for Segment No. 1213 are primary contact recreation, public water supply, and high aquatic life use. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the

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submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity

consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments.

Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the re-sponse to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public com-ments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also pro-vide instructions for re-questing a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A contested case

TO REQUEST A CON-TESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST:

member would be affected; and explain how the inter-ests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the roup's purpose.

ed case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and ma-terial water quality con-cerns submitted during the comment period. TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for dis-charge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria

proval of the application un-less a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for Commission

or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision you will be added to the mailing list for this specific appli-cation to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submit-ted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, Texas Commission on Environ-mental Quality, P.O. Box

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ABLE ONLINE. For details about the status of the application, visit the Commission-ers' Integrated Database at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid. Search the database using the permit number for this application, which is provided at the top of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND

INFORMATION. Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www14.tceq.texas.gov/ epic/eComment/, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Any personal information you submit to the TCEQ will become part of the agency's record; this includes email addresses. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at www.tceg.texas.gov/ goto/pep. Si desea informa-cion en Espanol, puede lla-mar al 1-800-687-4040.

rell at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Darren Strozewski, P.E DCS Engineering, LLC, at 512-614-6171. Issuance Date: December 18, 2019 NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF FRANCES

MARIE HAGE, DECEASED

Further information may also be obtained from City of Jar-

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Frances Ma-rie Hage, Deceased, were issued January 8, 2020, in Cause No. 19-0995-CP4, pending in County Court No. 4 of Williamson County, Texas, to Jason Lawrence Hage. The notice to the Independent Executor may be delivered at the following address: c/o John M. Lane Law. PLLC - 1001 Cypress Creek Road, Suite 405, Cedar Park, Texas 78613. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Jason Lawrence Hage, Independent Executor of the Estate of Frances Ma-

EXHIBIT C-3 FLORENCE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2019

Data Cont	rol		10 General		60 Capital		Other	Go	Total
Code	S		Fund		Projects		Funds		Funds
	REVENUES:								
5700	Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$	4,829,830	\$	8,418	\$	1,090,363	\$	5,928,611
5800	State Program Revenues		6,654,554		· -		95,788		6,750,342
5900	Federal Program Revenues		310,505		-		1,157,133		1,467,638
5020	Total Revenues		11,794,889		8,418		2,343,284		14,146,591
	EXPENDITURES:								
	Current:								
0011	Instruction		5,838,077		-		435,311		6,273,388
0012	Instructional Resources and Media Services		150,035		-		-		150,035
0013	Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development		248,446		-		39,329		287,775
0021	Instructional Leadership		226,661		-		121,651		348,312
0023	School Leadership		701,288		-		-		701,288
0031	Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services		247,113		-		62,574		309,687
0032	Social Work Services		2,123		-		-		2,123
0033	Health Services		121,682		-		-		121,682
0034	Student (Pupil) Transportation		739,355		-		-		739,355
0035	Food Services		-		-		720,920		720,920
0036	Extracurricular Activities General Administration		612,050		-		152,870		764,920
0041			768,404		-		166		768,570
0051	Facilities Maintenance and Operations Security and Monitoring Services		1,769,430		-		-		1,769,430
0052	Data Processing Services		12,646 220,661		-		-		12,646 220,661
0053	Debt Service:		220,001		-		-		220,001
0071	Principal on Long-Term Debt		35,000		_		560,000		595,000
0071	Interest on Long-Term Debt		68,789		_		208,840		277,629
0072	Bond Issuance Cost and Fees		-		_		35		35
0075	Capital Outlay:						50		
0081	Facilities Acquisition and Construction		452,050		216,920		-		668,970
0005	Intergovernmental:		0.724						0.724
0095	Payments to Juvenile Justice Alternative Ed. Prg. Other Intergovernmental Charges		9,734		-		-		9,734 35,802
0099 6030	Total Expenditures	_	35,802 12,259,346	_	216,920	_	2,301,696	_	14,777,962
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)	_		_		_		_	
1100	Expenditures	_	(464,457)	_	(208,502)	_	41,588	_	(631,371)
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):								
7911	Capital Related Debt Issued (Regular Bonds)		-		6,920,000		-		6,920,000
7916	Premium or Discount on Issuance of Bonds		-		668,646		2,216		670,862
8911	Transfers Out (Use)		-		(2,216)		(3,341)		(5,557)
8949	Other (Uses)	_	-	_	(78,259)				(78,259)
7080	Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	_	-	_	7,508,171	_	(1,125)		7,507,046
1200	Net Change in Fund Balances		(464,457)		7,299,669		40,463		6,875,675
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5,193,202 \$

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
NOTICE OF APPLICATION DECISION FOR TPDES PERMIT FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER RENEWAL

application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application. https://

and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved

proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's lo cation and distance from the facility or activity; ex-plain how and why the

PERMIT NO. WQ0014594001

APPLICATION AND PRE

of 816825of&marker=-97 level=12 The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application

decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Jarrell City Hall, 161 Town Center Boulevard, Jarrell, Texas. **PUBLIC COMMENT / PUB-**

**Legal Notices** 

LIMINARY DECISION. City of Jarrell, 161 Town Center Boulevard, Jarrell, Texas

would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a prelimi nary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary

LIC MEETING. You may

to submit comments or to ask questions about the applica-tion. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEAR-ING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will

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name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit num-ber; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; a list of all disputed issues of fact that you sub-mit during the comment period; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correreceiving future correspondence; identify by name and physical address an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the

ollowing the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a con-tested case hearing to the TCFO Commissioners for consideration at scheduled Commission meeting.
The Commission may only grant a request for a contest-

are met. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Di-rector may issue final ap-

their consideration at scheduled meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing

rie Hage, Deceased.

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County of Williamson: You are hereby notified that a joint public hearing will be loint public hearing will be held by the City Council and the City Planning and Zoning Commission in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 161 Town Center Blvd., Jarrell, Texas on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. for

approval.
The nature of such public hearing will be to consider the

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