

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL



Andy Sharp

Kindergartener Eli Martinez, 5 needed a bit of cheering up from his parents, Eric and Dominique Martinez, on Thursday, the first day of classes at Annie Purl Elementary School. Eli was unhappy because he couldn't join a fifth grade girl he saw pass on the way to her class. Mom and dad said he was upset because the fifth grader is their next-door-neighbor and Eli likes her a lot.

Students arrive at new campus

By JONATHAN ADAMS

Eli Martinez, 5, grinned while he sat on his dad's shoulders.

They walked through the front doors of the new Purl Elementary School for his first day as a kindergartener Thursday morning.

Before they walked into the main office of the school, 1953 Maple Street in Old Town, Eric Martinez lifted his son off his shoulders and set him on the ground. Together, along with Eli's mother, Dominique Martinez, they entered the main office to register their child. Meanwhile, Eli peered

through a window and spotted his summer girlfriend, a fifth grader, who walked down the hall on her way to her home-room. Eli tried to follow, but was not allowed.

"I want to go play with my friend," Eli said to his dad, as he threw himself over the desk at the main office.

"I miss her." As approximately 11,200 Georgetown students, about 780 of whom were at Purl, returned to class from summer. Some were scared about arriving at a new building, having to meet new people, or leaving their families behind for a full



Rosco Perez, 5, gets a bit of love from his father, Rocco, as he settles into his kindergarten class for the first day of school.

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Madison Simmons

Riding the new bus

Paulette Taylor and Joyce Gadison, left, take a preview ride Tuesday one of the city's new GoGeo buses. "I want to get first-hand information so I can pass it onto other people," Ms. Gadison said. They plan on riding with others in their neighborhood, to teach them how to comfortably use the fixed route service. The system launches Monday.

School projects  
still incomplete

The first day of school for the Georgetown school district was Thursday, and several of its construction projects are incomplete.

Superintendent Fred Brent sent a letter to parents Wednesday pointing out each project that is still being worked on: the construction of Purl Elementary School and Wagner Middle School, renovations at Georgetown High School and Tippit Middle School, and entryway improvements at Frost Elementary School and Benold Middle School.

"While there may be some construction delays and inconveniences, I simply want to encourage you

to see how this will benefit our students, schools and community," the superintendent wrote to parents.

Purl was ready for students by Thursday, the first day of school; however, the campus was still in need of finishing touches.

Those included completing the cafeteria and gym, adding landscaping, drying paint, and setting up classrooms and administrative offices. The school is set to be fully complete by September.

The district foresaw Wagner Middle School's construction going into December, with students planned to move in by

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New cot gives gift of time to grieving parents of stillborn babies

By CHARLOTTE KOVALCHUK

Twenty-two weeks into her pregnancy, Sara Hogan of Austin found out her baby no longer had a heartbeat.

She delivered her stillborn daughter, who had been diagnosed with Turner Syndrome, a few days later last April.

Now she wants to give parents of miscarried children something she didn't have during that difficult period: the gift of time.

All Ms. Hogan and her husband Don wanted to do was spend a little more time with their daughter, Mary Margaret, when she died before

"The nurses are like, 'This changes a lot for us as far as how much care we can provide.' "

Sara Hogan  
Donated a "Cuddle Cot"

having to say good-bye to her forever, but they encountered difficulties. The baby's body needed to be kept cool to delay the deterioration process, which meant frequent trips to

a refrigerated area before the parents could see her again. The constant separations wore on Ms. Hogan, who had to be kept apart from her child during the night while haunted by nearby newborns' cries, a reminder that she would never hear her own daughter's.

"I felt so bad for our nurses who had to explain to me, 'If you want to spend more time, we need to take your child.' That was my only time to hold her and spend time. Those constant good-byes — it's hard to leave with your arms empty," she said.

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Sara Hogan and her husband Don stand by the "Cuddle Cot" they donated to St. David's Georgetown Hospital on Tuesday. A CuddleCot is a cooling pad that keeps a stillborn baby preserved so parents can spend up to three days of time with their child.

Charlotte Kovalchuk

Last call: square dance caller leaves role with Georgetown club

By MADISON SIMMONS

They danced the allemande, promenaded and do-si-doed the night away, under the watchful eye and steady voice of Jim Hayes.

For the last 27 years, the square dance caller has made the 75-minute drive from New Braunfels to Georgetown once a week to call at the Shirts 'n' Skirts club dances, a position he stepped down from August 9.

"It's been a challenge, but it's one I've loved so dearly and surely I've loved everybody here," Mr. Hayes said,

voice breaking.

As he gathered his composure, the room stood, hands coming together in applause.

About 125 folks, some in hand-sewn Western wear, others in jeans, had come to the Georgetown ISD administrative annex to celebrate the caller's retirement from that club.

Mr. Hayes, 85, will continue to call in New Braunfels and has promised to visit Georgetown.

He has a reputation for being a strict caller, demanding focus.

"I know I got tough and

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Decades of dance

Jim Hayes has been involved in square dancing, including calling dances, for more than 50 years. Accomplishments during that time include:

- calling in 45 states
- called on the largest wine barrel in the world
- conducted seven square dance caller schools
- drove over 4.2 million miles
- club caller for 21 clubs



Madison Simmons

Jim Hayes bounces back and forth between singing "Carolina in the Morning" and calling, telling dancers what to do next. After 27 years of commuting from New Braunfels to Georgetown every week to call square dancing for the Shirts 'n' Skirts dance club, he will retire, from this club anyway. He calls for two clubs in New Braunfels and is about to start a third.





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Above, first grader Ryan Vommaro and fourth grader Michael Vommaro share a brotherly hug before heading off to Jack Frost Elementary. Left, Katherine Brake gets a hug from her teacher Tici Morgan on the first day at Village Elementary. Below, Isabelle Brake on her first day at Village Elementary. She will be attending first grade with teacher Kim Lundin. If you took any photos of your children on the first day of school, share them with us and we'll put them in the paper. Send photos to editor@wilcosun.com.

## BRIEFS

**Furry friends looking for homes**

To help animals at the Williamson County Regional Animal Shelter find their forever homes, the shelter had free adoptions on all dogs, cats, kittens and puppies on Saturday as part of the national "Clear the Shelters" event.

The shelter receives 400 dogs a year, but only has 86 kennels to keep them. Recently, the animal shelter had a \$1 adoption special on cats, hoping to get 100 cats adopted or fostered out or else it would have to euthanize them due to a lack of

space. Over 160 felines were saved as well as 33 dogs and 10 rabbits.

**Salvation army fund-raiser**

The third Annual Wilco Gives: Red Shield Round-Up will take place on Thursday, September 14 at Reunion Ranch to benefit The Salvation Army Williamson County Service Center.

It will feature dinner, music, dancing to country music and KEYE-TV's Chief Meteorologist Chikage Windler, who will emcee the event. People can buy tickets at SalvationArmyAustin.org.

The Georgetown-based service center, which opened in 2014, provides financial as-

sistance, food and clothing to Williamson County families who are facing financial crisis. The Salvation Army also supports the community through a summer camp for kids, nursing home ministry, spiritual support, and community outreach to a disadvantaged neighborhood.

**Sheriff offers citizen academy**

People can learn about the Williamson County Sheriff's Office and the criminal justice system at a citizen academy the sheriff is offering. The program will be held on Wednesday nights for 10 weeks from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. starting September 27 and ending De-

cember 6. People must be at least 18 years old, fill out an application due by September 11 and consent to a background check.

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-Charlotte Kovalchuk

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# Square dance caller puts down microphone

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rough but I just love square dancing so much and hate to see people breaking the rules," he told the crowd.

He is also known for drawing in new dancers, encouraging them to keep with it; many in the room learned to dance under Mr. Hayes.

He picked up square dancing when he was in his 30s in Kansas. Why does he do it?

"I don't have enough time to explain that," he said.

"It's something the good Lord gave me to do, to be able to sing and teach. It was a challenge I tackled 57 years ago and I'm still doing it."

The Shirts 'n' Skirts square dancing club meets at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at the GISD annex, right off Williams Drive. The club started in 1969.



Madison Simmons

Sue Gillar and Grady George, members of Austin club Waterloo Squares, dance in Georgetown.



**Above,** Dan and Kathy Amburn boogie during the retirement dance for Jim Hayes, who has called square dances for the Shirts 'n' Skirts club for the past 27 years. **Below,** Lynn and Terry Wyatt promenade across the dance floor.



**Above,** Larry McMahl dances with his wife, Pauletta. **Below,** Lorraine O'Neal grabs a slice of cake at the party.



**Left,** Carole Miller presents Jim Hayes with a gift of stuffed cats. "You always say that teaching dancing is like herding cats, so here's some props," she said. Pictured are, from left, Joe Lowe, Mr. Hayes, Carole Miller, Bonnie Lowe and club president Tony Burghart. **Above,** Marjorie Mitchell waits for a song to begin.

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# Cot lends comfort to parents

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Finally, it became too difficult to stay any longer and Ms. Hogan decided to leave the St. David's Hospital in Austin and go home. More than a year later, she's hoping to help families who face the same hardship during the grieving process. She and Mr. Hogan partnered with the non-profit, Stories of Babies Born Still (SOBBS), to raise nearly \$17,000 for six CuddleCots, cooling pads that keep a deceased baby preserved so parents can spend up to three days of uninterrupted time with their child. Ms. Hogan has donated five of these CuddleCots to St. David's hospitals in Austin, and on Tuesday, she donated one to St. David's Georgetown Hospital. "The nurses are like, 'This changes a lot for us as far as how much care we can provide.' This is

essentially creating a new normal for these families who have never experienced this before, because of the legitimacy of having a device on the ready," Mr. Hogan said. "We hope this provides the gift that nobody else can give, and that's the gift of time." Ms. Hogan understands not every family will choose to use the cot, but what matters is that people are given the option. "Not all families will want it, but some families will want to spend more time," she said. "It's not the outcome anyone wants and it's not the outcome a lot of people like to talk about, so you feel forgotten about at times, but they're not alone. There are unfortunately way too many families who go through this, and sometimes just being acknowledged is all you want. It's nice that at least in a hospital setting

they know it's been talked about and thought about and this didn't just happen. Someone went out of their way to create this device because there is a need because those people matter and their feelings matter." Ms. Hogan also donated foot-and-handprint kits as well as a basket for the CuddleCot that parents can put the baby in when they're not holding their child. "The death of a baby is an unimaginable loss no parent ever expects to face," said Darrell Hudson, chaplain at St. David's. "We are privileged to receive the Cuddle Cot donation to extend warmth and care to our patients and their families. Thanks to this gift, parents of stillborn babies will have more time to hold and cherish their child during the grieving process."



Andy Sharp

Classes began on Thursday at Annie Purl Elementary, but construction work continued, both inside and out. **Below**, construction wasn't a deterrent for third grade teacher Alana Lugo, giving some directions to her kids before going into their classroom.



## Construction projects continue as school starts

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For now, the campus will be able to host athletic programs, but the Williams facility will host sixth and seventh graders. Eighth graders will remain at their respective middle schools. "The Williams facility is proving to be a great temporary home and our Wagner principal, Lindsay Harris, will

be providing updates as the year progresses," Dr. Brent wrote. "I know everyone is excited to move into the new building upon completion." The superintendent pointed out that most of Georgetown High School's renovations are complete, but work still needs to be done on the Career and Technology Education wing of the campus. No date was set

for its completion. The district is also in hopes that Benold and Frost's new entryways will be finished by mid-fall. Administrators have said from the beginning that Tippet's renovations will likely not be complete until fall 2019. That date has not been changed. - Jonathan Adams



Charles E. Lance, Former District Attorney and Retired District Judge, with his wife, Kay.



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## 2017 Property Tax Rates in Williamson County ESD # 2

This notice concerns 2017 property tax rates for Williamson County ESD # 2. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

**Last year's tax rate:**

Last year's operating taxes	\$1,813,501
Last year's debt taxes	\$958,504
Last year's total taxes	\$2,772,005
Last year's tax base	\$2,772,004,148
Last year's total tax rate	0.100000/\$100

**This year's effective tax rate:**

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$2,781,876
÷This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$2,935,027,144
=This year's effective tax rate	0.094781/\$100

**This year's rollback tax rate:**

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$1,822,256
÷This year's adjusted tax base	\$2,935,027,144
=This year's effective operating rate	0.062086/\$100
×1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.067052/\$100
+This year's debt rate	0.000000/\$100
=This year's rollback rate	0.067052/\$100

## Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Williamson County ESD # 2 will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 49.137982 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on August 24, 2017 at 7:00 PM at 16248 Great Oaks Drive, Round Rock, TX.

The second public hearing will be held on August 31, 2017 at 7:00 PM at 16248 Great Oaks Drive, Round Rock, TX.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR:	Commissioner Nanninga Commissioner Strahan Commissioner Hunsberger Commissioner Wright
AGAINST:	
PRESENT and not voting:	
ABSENT:	Commissioner Pool

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Williamson County ESD # 2 last year was \$312,068. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.100000 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$312.07.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Williamson County ESD # 2 this year is \$337,277. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.094781 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$319.67.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.100000 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$337.28.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.



# G'town pastor honored for service

By CHARLOTTE KOVALCHUK

Reverend Jimmy Johnson has been the pastor at Macedonia Baptist Church for the last 17 years, but his time there goes back much further. The pastor grew up at the church on Martin Luther King Street, where he spent most of the last 60 years and claims as his second home. Getting baptized at 13 years of age in the San Gabriel River at Blue Hole Park and heading to church for the whole day on Sunday are just a few of the good memories Pastor Johnson has of the place of worship that started in 1881. "It was a time to fellowship, run and play and talk with friends and relax after the service," he said. Pastor Johnson has seen quite a bit of generational change since then, such as an increase in distractions like texting and watching television. "Fifty years ago, there were no audio visuals that I knew

of. A lot of it has enhanced the church service, and then I think some of it has been hurtful and taken some of the sacredness away," he said. The pastor is trying to get accustomed to people operating modern technology. "One of my concerns is that, being from the old school days, I'm used to the congregation reading scriptures and using the Bible. I'm still trying to adjust to people using their iPads and iPhones. That I'm having a problem with. I have to work diligently to keep reminding myself, 'Hey, that's the way people do things now,' " Pastor Johnson said. His approach to preaching involves going back to the basics and setting a good example. "My teaching perspective is to keep everything in focus on Christ; his death, burial and resurrection. I want others to see the Christ in us. There's a little saying about let your little light so shine, so I'm hung up on trying to let

my little light shine so others can see Christ in me," Pastor Johnson said. Macedonia Baptist has undergone several projects during the past 17 years, like adding a new education wing and audio visual screens in the sanctuary. The pastor isn't done yet. Upgrading the church van for the van ministry is at the top of his list, as well as growing some programs like the youth's and men's ministries and the van, which gives seniors rides to church and transports youth to their activities. The pastor is excited about launching a community Bible study in the fall. The church will celebrate its pastor's years of service during a party at Main Street Baptist Church on Saturday, August 26, with special services the following day at Macedonia. When asked if he plans on pastoring Macedonia Baptist for another 17 years, Pastor Johnson replied, "If the Lord says so."



Charlotte Kovalchuk  
Reverend Jimmy Johnson has pastored the Macedonia Baptist Church in Georgetown for 17 years. The church will hold a party for him at Main Street Baptist Church on August 26.

## NOTICE OF 2017 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR City of Florence

A tax rate of \$0.700000 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of City of Florence. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate.

The governing body of City of Florence proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate increase for the purpose of increased maintenance and operational expenditures, equipment, facilities, staff compensation, benefit cost increases and additional personnel.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.700000 per \$100
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$0.704030 per \$100
EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	\$0.682240 per \$100
ROLLBACK TAX RATE	\$0.726477 per \$100

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for City of Florence from the same properties in both the 2016 tax year and the 2017 tax year.

The rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate that City of Florence may adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate that may be approved to the rollback rate.

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Guest Artist: Anton Nel  
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Cutting ribbons at Purl

If you squint, the entrance of Georgetown school district's newest campus, Annie Purl Elementary, looks like the Williamson County Courthouse: three golden portals leading to three doors inside, and then into the building and along impressive halls to, not a rotunda, precisely, but a giant high room made for meetings and celebrations. This is called the "Learning Commons." On Monday evening, East View Marching Band drummers — I didn't count, but I'd say 20 — thrummed their sticks and marched through that entrance, rattling the high beams and trusses of the Learning Commons and reverberating through a large crowd, making hundreds of feet dance and tap.

The drummers set the tone for the dedication of the third Annie Purl Elementary School. If she perhaps was watching the action from a gilded cloud, Georgetown's most heralded teacher and principal would have glowed with pleasure.

Everyone there glowed for her.

Eventually, 850 students per year will be educated at Annie Purl. There are a few "touches" left to complete, Superintendent Fred Brent acknowledged, but the place looked fine, very fine indeed.

Parents, teachers, elementary students, school board trustees, chamber of commerce members, Mayor Dale Ross and his wife, Mickie (once a schoolteacher herself), education activists — you name it — everybody turned up.

Old Hodge and I greeted Paula Wheeler Doerfler at the front door: She was welcoming late-comers along with East View's cheerleaders. Paula was giving out enthusiastic hugs, introducing people who needed to know each other, emitting waves of excitement.

This was of course totally appropriate. Paula was head cheerleader for Georgetown High School nearly 60 years ago (gasp!) and remained one of GISD's most effective cheerleaders throughout a 50-year career as teacher and counselor:

I found a place on a tiled bleacher seat amongst a thick crowd. Old Hodge roamed with his camera.

Superintendent Fred Brent warmed up the



PULLING HAIR

Linda Scarbrough

audience with stories of school folks working furiously at night to get the new school primed to open Thursday — "We will be ready!" — and with a description of wonders to come.

"It's not often that you get a chance to build a new school in a historic neighborhood. To give honor to the community in this way," he said.

The opportunity presented itself because in the early 1950s, GISD trustees had the foresight to purchase an unusually large school site on the edge of town, making it possible in 2016 to build Annie Purl III while Annie Purl II held classes.

Annie Purl III was designed with Georgetown's history in mind, including the courthouse-echoing entrance and two large murals that will decorate the walls of the Learning Commons: a mural of the Courthouse Square with the Courthouse align with holiday lights; and another mural of Blue Hole on the San Gabriel River.

The crowd oohed its appreciation for this bit of news.

Annie Purl Principal Denisse Baldwin drew spontaneous applause and whoops of glee from schoolchildren; her brief pep talk — "Our school is beautiful and amazing!" — was given in Spanish and English, each sentence overlaying the next in a gorgeous, natural rhythm.

Then the ribbon cutting. The honorees assembled. Photographers readjusted them. People crawled or squatted on the floor; armed with cameras. A red satin ribbon and a blue satin ribbon were rolled out. A pair of giant scissors appeared.

Snip! The red ribbon was cut. There was a pause for photographs.

Several third or fourth grade girls sat behind me, in thrall to the spectacle.

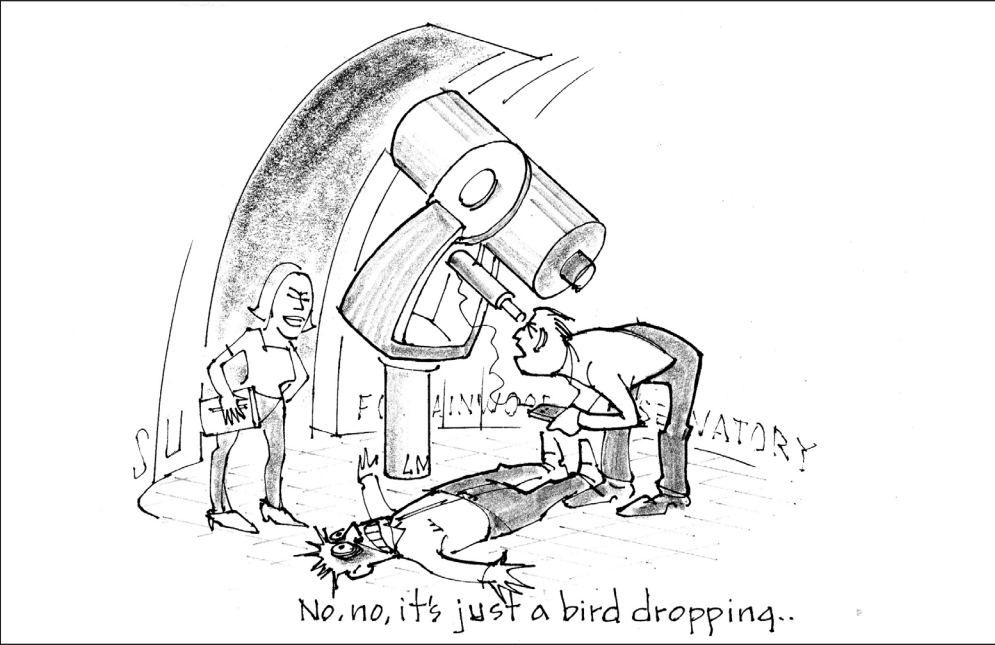
"Oh," said one, "they're cutting the red one first!"

"That's weird," said another: "It is," said the first girl. "They should have cut the blue one first."

Snip! The blue ribbon was severed and dropped, and the crowd happily spilled out into the halls and classrooms, taking Annie Purl III into their hearts.

IT LOOKED BAD

By GARY MILLER



Why spend time being hateful?

Government rarely creates so much potential for mischief and trouble as when it sets out to solve problems that don't exist.

The impulse to fix what's not broken is convulsing in Texas, with the so-called "bathroom bill," and nationwide with President Donald Trump's tweeted ban on transgender individuals serving in the U.S. military.

Regarding the two issues: Expressing whim is easy; crafting policy is difficult. As Ralph Waldo Emerson once reminded us in an essay: "Great men, great nations, have not been boasters or buffoons — but perceiver's of life's terrors, and have manned themselves to face them."

Like most people, I suspect, I don't know a lot about people in the transgender community and challenges they face. Except to say those challenges must be daunting, given — if nothing else — their reported rate of suicide.

In nearly 60 years of living I don't think I've ever met anyone who's transgender. Until very recently, they've kept low profiles. But that could be a self-fulfilling prophecy, could it not? For why on earth would they risk being shunned — or worse — by people who just find the whole thing to be so weird?

Yet it is both my spiritual obligation and my civic duty, to love my neighbor, so I must try to understand.

Until recently, it never occurred to me a person might choose a restroom that didn't match their biological plumbing. And I bristle at the phrase "gender assigned at birth."

I think I understand the point being made — they didn't ask to be born the gender they were — but I still snarl at the Orwellian manipulation of language. Biological gender is determined long before birth.

So, even with our choice of words, there's a lot to work through here. Given that maybe one out of every 300 people is transgender — and given that these folks might be even more likely than homosexuals to be closeted — most of the rest of us are in uncharted water.

But their numbers — which no one really seems to have a definitive handle on — are not the point. When it comes to treating people decently, it is irrelevant whether they are many or few.

That sort of empathy (Churchill should have included it with courage, as a virtue that ensures all others) is a good and necessary starting point. But the devil will be in the details.

For all the talk about bathrooms in Texas schools, very little attention has been paid to the question of locker rooms and showers. As I understand it — presuming I do — some males who become females retain the equipment they were born with.

Even less attention has been paid to the question of scholastic athletic competition.

This past February, Mack Beggs — born a girl and undergoing transition treatment, including testosterone doses, in order to become a boy — had a clear advantage in wrestling against girls on his/her way to a Texas state championship (with a 57-0 record) in the 110-pound division. UIL rules demand that athletes compete as male or female, based on their birth certificate. So Beggs, testosterone treatment notwithstanding, had to compete as a girl.

As far as the actual bathroom part of the bathroom bill, which failed to pass in this recent special session, Governor Greg Abbott and Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick spoke and acted as if there is some great hue and cry across the state, demanding action.



MELANCHOLY PARADISE

Brad Stutzman

I just haven't seen it, have you?

I've been going to the bathroom for nearly 60 years. That's a lot of restroom stops, especially considering the waterfalls of coffee I consume. Never once have I encountered problems with transgender people. I don't know anybody else who has, either.

I am not a fan of false dichotomies; of setting one thing against another, as if they were necessarily in opposition when that might not be true at all. Case in point: One can care about both global warming and unborn babies.

But that said, it really does seem we have bigger issues to wrestle with here in Texas than who is peeing and pooping where.

Meanwhile, President Trump weighed in with a tweet banning all transgender people from the military. This apparently would include those already serving.

When President Harry Truman integrated African-Americans into our armed forces in 1948, blacks made up about 10 percent of those in uniform. What might have been criticized 70 years ago, as social engineering and counter-productive to military discipline, seems to have worked out just fine.

Today, there are about 1.3 million Americans in uniform. Of that group — depending on what estimate one reads — only about 1,000 to 7,000 of them are transgender.

Putting it bluntly: If you don't like the idea of a transgender — or, for that matter, homosexual — person in the military, then pick up a rifle and take their place. Who's stopping you?

I used to think the military's "Don't ask, don't tell" policy for gay men and women was a good compromise, along the lines of Oscar Wilde's observation that "hypocrisy is the tribute vice pays to virtue."

But ultimately, we as a nation were asking people to lie about who they were, in the name of serving with honor: "Don't ask, don't tell" was repealed in 2011 and we have survived.

From World War I through Afghanistan, Australia has fought by America's side in every conflict. Israel knows the first war it ever loses will be the last one it ever fights. Each of those countries — neither of which exactly has a sissy reputation — allows both gay and transgender individuals in its defense forces.

At the same time, honesty demands we acknowledge not all is milk and honey. According to the University of California's Palm Center of Public Policy, in Israel: "Poor combat performance is often equated with childishness and femininity — and images of combat soldiers as tough and team-oriented is often contrasted with stereotypes of homosexuality."

Nonetheless, our transgender troops and our gay troops have volunteered to serve.

The idea that the transgendered would now be kicked out of the military brings to mind Ambrose Bierce, in *The Devil's Dictionary*, when he defined "loyalty" as: "The characteristic common to those about to be betrayed."

Look: I don't think I'm ever going to say same-sex marriage is the best thing since pockets on a shirt. And I'm likely to continue getting tangled up in the transgender pronouns.

But mainly, though, I hate meanness. I hate when the strong pick on the weak. Or when the many pick on the few. Or when phony tough guys think they can bulk up their political muscle by slapping around some unpopular or misunderstood minority.

Even the most long-lived among us will only have, typically, 80 or 90 years to make our mark in this world. It's the blink of an eye. Do we really want to spend any of that time being hateful?

Letters

Be safe during solar eclipse

There has been a lot of chatter regarding the solar eclipse and the best way to view it without causing eye damage.

I want to talk a little bit about solar retinopathy, which could result from direct viewing of the solar eclipse. This is what happens with prolonged direct viewing of the sun or other similar amounts of light.

Everyone's eye is similar to a camera. The lens of the eye focuses light on the film, which is called the retina. Have you ever used a magnifying glass to light something on fire with the rays of the sun? The magnifying glass focuses the light to what is called a "focal point." When you use a magnifying glass, the light is focused to create an "image" of the sun at the specific point you are trying to heat up. It is almost like you have a miniature sun at that point, and that is why you are able to cause enough heat to actually light something on fire.

Your eye basically does the same thing when looking at the sun; it basically focuses all of the light from the sun on a specific location on the retina called the fovea. As you can imagine, this



Justin Aaker  
Ophthalmologist

intense light exposure can cause severe damage to your retina. A little bit like lighting a leaf on fire with a magnifying glass.

The extra light results in damage to the photoreceptors that sense light. When this area is significantly damaged, it cannot regenerate, which will result in a blind spot in the vision. However, this blind spot is the area where we identify details such as faces and small letters. The resulting damage can be similar to the age-related macular degeneration

that can be found as we grow older. This whole discussion is why it is important to reduce the amount of light that reaches the retina when viewing the solar eclipse with specialized glasses, et cetera. NASA has some resources regarding the correct type of glasses on its website.

So be safe and have fun viewing the eclipse!

Editor's note: Justin Aaker is an ophthalmologist at Reveal Eye Care and Surgery on Williams Drive in Georgetown.

Revisionist history

The connection between white supremacy and Confederate monuments has been laid bare by President Donald Trump. These monuments are the visible, persistent, heroic icons marking the successful revision of history by white supremacy groups.

Robert E. Lee understood that he was a traitor to his country as were all who took up arms against their country. Such an act, unequivocally, makes one a traitor. Pardoning a traitor does not make him a hero.

Normally, monuments are built to honor winners. They are not built to honor traitors or losers. Those are the plain facts of history.

Heroic Confederate monuments began to appear along with Jim Crow in early 1900s as the Ku Klux Klan, rose to prominence in the South. Their push to glorify the Confederacy, while lacking any moral authority to do so, created

pure revisionist history. The Klan and their acolytes — hate groups like Nazi wannabes — persisted in this clever technique of revising history by installation of heroic visual icons, into the 1960s desegregation fight.

It is important to see history in its plainness; to see, to understand, to accept.

BILLIE REANEY  
Texas Drive

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Letters

They're all U.S. vets

On August 16, *The Sun* published a letter advocating the erection of a new monument on the Courthouse Square depicting a "tattered" and "shackled" slave family to be placed adjacent to the Confederate Soldiers and Sailors Memorial with a plaque of the 1861 Texas Ordinance of Secession between them.

The letter writer states, "Then it would be historically accurate and clear to all what the Confederate soldier statue stands for."

I am astounded at this statement. These days, the neo-carpetbaggers and neo-scalawags appear to control the narrative, thanks largely to a heavily biased media.

Fortunately, the majority of the public is having none of it and recognizes the sensationalist rhetoric and print for what it is: false, inflammatory, and divisive.

U.S. Public Laws 38, 810, and 85-425 put Con-

federate soldiers on an equal footing with Union soldiers. They are all American veterans. The Veterans Administration has produced thousands of grave markers honoring Confederate veterans, not exactly what a victorious government would do for traitors, is it?

But those whose primary historical reference is "Uncle Tom's Cabin" cannot usually be reasoned with; they are all about emotion and insist, hysterically, that slavery — and only slavery — was the cause of the war and the sole reason that close to a million Americans (soldiers, civilians, and slaves) died as a result.

This is not a good time for further division in this country or in this county. We have a great place to live. Georgetown and Williamson County are caring, generous, hospitable communities. Racism and bigotry are not welcome here, regardless of the source.

SHELBY K. LITTLE  
East Cordoba Circle



## William C. Lackey, Jr.

William Lackey, of Liberty Hill, passed away in Round Rock, on August 14, 2017. Born in Sanderson, Texas, he lived most of his life in the Liberty Hill area.

He attended Texas State University where he met and married Melba Wilson of Liberty Hill, and they raised four children.

William was an active member of the Union Hall Baptist for 60 odd years and will be greatly missed.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Carlton Lackey of Lampasas.

William is survived by wife, Melba; sons, Steve (Kathy) Lackey of Mason, Texas and Travis (Jeanne) Lackey of Liberty Hill; daughters, Arlene (Larry) Ringer of Junction, Texas and Elaine (Doug) Baker of Hamilton, Texas; brother, Edwin (Ceverene) Lackey of Mason, Texas; sister-in-law, Carolyn Lackey of Lampa-



sas; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held at 9 a.m. on Saturday, August 19, 2017 at the Liberty Hill Cemetery in Liberty Hill.

Funeral services will follow in the afternoon at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Cook-Walden Davis Funeral Home in Georgetown.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: Union Hall Baptist Church Building Fund, 301 CR 259, Liberty Hill, Texas 78642.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at [www.cookwaldendavisfuneralhome.com](http://www.cookwaldendavisfuneralhome.com).

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## Janet Wenzel Cascio

Janet Wenzel Cascio passed away August 15 at The Wesleyan Nursing Home. Janet was born January 18, 1931, to Gilbert and Dorothy Wenzel in Galeton, Pennsylvania. After graduating from Penn State University with a degree in secondary education she moved to Manville, Wyoming to teach Spanish and social studies. There she met Anthony Cascio from Austin, Texas, the band and choir director at Manville High School. They were married in Reno, Nevada on June 14, 1958 and moved back to Austin, Texas. Janet taught school for Austin ISD and El Paso ISD. She retired from teaching upon moving to Georgetown in 1970. She was preceded in death by her husband Anthony, parents Gilbert and Dorothy, brother Richard Wenzel of Galeton, Pennsylvania, brother-in-law Bill and Marian Cascio of Austin. She is survived by her daughter Toni Cascio of Georgetown, sister Judith Bailey and husband

James of Alexandria, Virginia, brother David Wenzel and wife Jeanne of Jacksonville, Florida and sister-in-law Delores Wenzel of Galeton, Pennsylvania, numerous nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and nephews and great grand-nieces and nephews. The family would like to extend their gratitude and thanks to Wesleyan Hospice Care and Wesleyan Nursing Home.

Graveside services will be held 10 a.m., Saturday, August 19, 2017, at Austin Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of The Gabriels Funeral Chapel and Crematory.

A visitation will be held from 6 to 8 p.m., Friday, August 18, 2017, at The Gabriels Funeral Chapel in Georgetown.



## POLITICAL ROUNDUP

### STATE SENATOR CHARLES SCHWERTNER

#### Senator speaks out against rally

Senator Charles Schwertner spoke out on August 13 against a white nationalist rally that was planned at Texas A&M University next month.

"The racist and bigoted hate speech promoted by these groups does not reflect the values of Texas A&M University or the people of Texas and it should be loudly and consistently condemned by all responsible voices of our society," he said.

"While the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution protects the right of these groups to assemble and espouse their hateful and narrow-minded worldview, it also protects my right to publicly speak out against it."

#### VOTING RECORD

■ August 13, House Bill 214, which relates to health plan and health benefit plan coverage for elective abortion, **YEA**

■ August 13, Senate Bill 6, which relates to municipal annexation, **YEA**

■ August 13, House Bill 215, which relates to reporting and certification requirements by certain physicians regarding certain abortions, **YEA**

■ August 15, House Bill 7, which relates to municipal regulation of the removal of trees or vegetation on private property, **YEA**

### STATE REPRESENTATIVE TERRY WILSON

#### Abortion bill goes into effect

Representative Terry Wilson's co-authored House Bill 214 was signed by Governor Greg Abbott on Tuesday and goes into effect on December 1. The bill relates to health plan and health benefit plan coverage for elective abortion.

#### VOTING RECORD

■ August 13, House Bill 367, which relates to the deposit of money received from the federal government and the authority of the comptroller concerning related funds and accounts, **YEA**

■ August 13, Senate Bill 11, which relates to general procedures and requirements for certain do-not-resuscitate orders; creating a criminal offense, **YEA**

■ August 14, Senate Bill 16, which relates to the creation of a commission to recommend improvements to the public school finance system, **YEA**

■ August 14, Senate Bill 1, which relates to the calculation of the ad valorem rollback tax rate of a taxing unit and voter approval of a proposed tax rate that exceeds the rollback tax rate, **YEA**

■ August 14, Senate Bill 17, which relates to maternal health and safety, pregnancy-related deaths, and maternal morbidity, including postpartum depression, **YEA**

■ August 14, Senate Bill 19, which relates to an appropriation of money from the economic stabilization fund to decrease participants' health insurance costs for certain health benefit plans administered by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas, **NAY**

### STATE REPRESENTATIVE TONY DALE

#### VOTING RECORD

■ August 13, House Bill 367, which relates to the deposit of money received from the federal government and the authority of the comptroller concerning related funds and accounts, **YEA**

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## Irene Ramos Mendoza

Irene Ramos Mendoza, 69, of Round Rock, Texas passed away on August 12, 2017.

Irene was born in Georgetown, Texas on June 28, 1948 to Venselada and Genaro Ramos.

Irene grew up in Georgetown, but later moved to Round Rock, Texas to live with her husband Victor. Irene was a hard-working and strong-willed woman who was always willing to help anyone in need. Irene enjoyed listening to oldies but goodies, and good ol' country western music. But most of all, she enjoyed spending the majority of her time with her daughter and grandchildren.

Irene was a wonderful mother and grandmother. She is survived by her husband Victor Mendoza of Round Rock; daughter, Christine and husband Chad Caler of Round Rock; her grandchildren, Tricia and Trevor Caler of Round Rock; her brother Genaro Ramos Jr; her sisters Torivia Za-



vala, Cirilda Bazan, Tempera Gonzales, Reyes Gonzales and Dora DeLeon of Georgetown, Texas, Rosa Raposa of Hawaii and Rose Mary Rains of Dallas; and many nieces and nephews.

Irene is preceded in death by her parents Genaro and Venselada Ramos, her sister Beatrice Miranda, and her brothers Marcos Ramos, Leonard Ramos Sr; and Narciso Ramos Sr.

Visitation will be Thursday, August 17, 2017 at 6 p.m. at the Gabriels Funeral Chapel in Georgetown, Texas, followed by a rosary at 7 p.m.. Service will be on Friday August 18, 2017 at 10 a.m. also at Gabriels Funeral Chapel.



## Linda Marlow Shotwell

Linda Marlow (Jo) Shotwell, age 67, of Georgetown, Texas passed away on August 14, 2017. She was born December 10, 1949 in Ocala, Florida to Ralph and Ruth (Runnels) Marlow. She was a proud graduate of Florida State University. Jo married John Shotwell in Burnet, Texas on August 12, 1977. She began her career in the telecommunications industry at Central Telephone and Utilities in Tallahassee, Florida and joined the Texas Utility Commission in 1976. She helped establish a telecommunications consulting firm in 1984 where she served as Sr. V.P. of Business Development until her retirement in 2016.

Jo was the recipient of "National Telecommunications Cooperative Assn." outstanding achievement award; recipient of "Texas Telephone Assn."; Chairman's Award for Meritorious Service and Contributions; and served on various committees within the telecommunications industry.

Survivors include husband, John Shotwell; daughter, Erin



Shotwell (Oliver Ponce); mother, Ruth Marlow; sisters: Sandra Chase (Dan), Pam Folsom (Bill), Cindy Scott (Tim); brother, Ralph Marlow (Sherry).

She was preceded in death by her father, Ralph Marlow.

Services will be a small family member memorial.

In lieu of flowers the family requests a donation to Operation Smile online in her name at <http://www.operationssmile.org> or over the phone at 1-888-677-6453.

You are invited to share a message or memory in our memorial guestbook at [www.RamseyFuneral.com](http://www.RamseyFuneral.com).

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## John Walter Walden, Jr.

John Walter Walden, Jr., age 83, of Arlington, Texas, went to be with the Lord on August 14, 2017. Mr. Walden was born March 27, 1934.

Visitation with the family will be from noon to 2 p.m., Saturday, August 19, 2017, followed by the funeral service at 2 p.m. at Higgins Funeral Home. Burial will follow the service at Prosperity Cemetery.

A native of Birmingham, Alabama, he was the son of the late John Walter Walden and the late Gladys Louise Smithers Walden. He served in the Alabama National Guard, retired as an engineer for IBM after working with them for 37 years having worked on the NASA space program and helped develop the personal computer. Mr. Walden was a member of several churches during his life, he led many Bible studies and also was an elder in



Georgetown, Texas, where he resided from 1977 until 2013.

Survivors include his son John Walter Walden, III, and wife Rhonda, daughter Lynn Walden Batton and husband Robert, grandchildren

John Walter Walden, IV, and wife Montana, Zachary Batton, and wife Shannon, Morgan Batton, James Batton, Micah Batton, and Dustin McFerrin, great grandchildren John Walter Walden, V, Wynona Raven Walden and Skylar Fox Walden, sisters-in-law Peggy Eddins Wright and Carol Hammons and husband Carl, and Joannah Holt and husband Buddy, brother-in-law John Kidd, Jr. and wife Robin, nephews and a niece. Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Judy Kidd Walden, grandson Evan Ramon Walden, and step-son Kevin Hughes McFerrin.

a commission to recommend improvements to the public school finance system, **YEA**

■ August 14, Senate Bill 1, which relates to the calculation of the ad valorem rollback tax rate of a taxing unit and voter approval of a proposed tax rate that exceeds the rollback tax rate, **YEA**

■ August 14, Senate Bill 17, which relates to maternal health and safety, pregnancy-related deaths, and maternal morbidity, including postpartum depression, **YEA**

■ August 14, Senate Bill 19, which relates to an appropriation of money from the economic stabilization fund to decrease participants' health insurance costs for certain health benefit plans administered by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas, **YEA**

- Charlotte Kovalchuk

## Paula Bernadean Briery

Paula Bernadean Briery, slipped peacefully into the arms of Jesus on August 11, 2017, at the age of 78. She left this world as she came into it, surrounded by family that loved and cherished her and whose lives she enriched with her smile and laughter.

Paula was born October 15, 1938, to Bernard Randolph and Willie Mae (Brown) Timmons. She married her husband of 59 years, Murdock Briery, on April 14, 1956. She was a woman of simple grace, immense love, wonderful humor, and profound intelligence. She had a passion for many things, reading, conversation, and babies (especially her grandchildren). Because of who she was, her life will be felt by a countless number of people, the imprint she had not just on her family and friends, but also because of her many years in child care. The affection she gave to each of the kids in her care is a thread that connects her to them, and them to their children, and so on, to form a beautiful tapestry that will never be completed.



She was greeted in heaven by her husband; Murdock Briery; parents; Bernard and Willie Mae Timmons; sisters, Lila Jacqueline Timmons, Sybil Voss, Mary Sue Wirick, Jeanine Barnett, and Betty McKinnon; brother, Billy Ray Timmons. Left to cherish her memory are her sons; Randy Briery (Darolyn), Jon Briery (Janet), Paul Briery (Kimberly); grandchildren, Alyssa (Jayson), Sarah, Amber, Faith, Madison, and Kinsley; great grandchildren Trinity, Gabriel, and Brennan; many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Monday, August 14, 2017 at Gabriels Funeral Chapel and officiated by Dr. David Griffin. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations made to the Texas Baptist Children's Home.



## Eugene Allen Domel

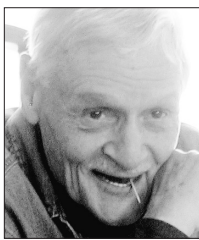
Eugene 'Gene' Allen Domel, 75, was called to eternal peace, August 16, 2017, from the Wesleyan after a brief battle with metastatic cancer.

He was born in Georgetown, May 28, 1942, the son of Erich and Sydonia Schatte Domel. Gene was baptized and confirmed at Zion Lutheran School. He graduated from Jarrell High School. Growing up he loved to run everywhere and was especially fond of his white Ford Thunderbird with red anterior. He enjoyed fishing and driving.

Gene graduated from Southwestern University and Tulane University with a Master in Social Work. He married Marilyn Nelson April 6, 1968. Gene loved children and spent 15 years working as a social worker with Lutheran Social Services and The Oaks Treatment Center (The Brown Schools). He then retired to a simpler life of farming, carpentry, and raising his two children. He enjoyed nature, raising cattle, and helping people.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his son, Eric Domel.

He is survived by his daughter, Sharon, husband Craig Andrews, his sister Darlene, hus-



band Dalhart Ilse. One niece Kristy, husband Ryan Vrabel, and two nephews Jordan Ilse, wife Cherie, and Kyle Ilse. Four great nephews and a beloved extended family.

The Committal will be held Monday, August 21, 2017 at 9 a.m. in the Zion Cemetery with Memorial Service to follow at 10 a.m. in Zion Lutheran Church.

We found, written on a piece of paper, a quote from Ronald Reagan which for Gene were heartfelt words to live by: "Live simply, Love generously, Care deeply, Leave the rest to God."

In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to:

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Wesleyan Benevolent Fund, PO Box 486, Georgetown, TX 78627

Zion Lutheran Church, Mission Fund, 6101 FM 1105, Georgetown, TX 78626



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Maddoxes celebrate 65 years



LARRY AND BETTY MADDOX

On August 16, 1952 Larry married his high school sweetheart, Betty Lou Roeder. They met in study hall while students at Centertown High School in Centertown, Kentucky. In high school, he was captain of the basketball team and she was a cheerleader. They were both valedictorians of their graduating class. The same year they were married Larry was ordained as a Baptist minister and began serving as pastor of a small country church.

Upon returning from their honeymoon in Florida, Larry enrolled in college and Betty went to work to support them. Larry attended Wesleyan College in Owensboro, Kentucky before transferring to Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree. He received his Master of Theology Degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary as a member of the school's centennial graduating class. He earned his Doctor of Ministry degree from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri. Betty attended Samford University and William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri.

Larry served churches in Kentucky, Alabama, Missouri and Arkansas before coming to Texas in 1983. Betty loved being a pastor's wife and served in many leadership roles in the churches. She also loved her family and for 18 years she was a 'stay-at-home' mom devoting herself to raising their four daughters and two sons. Later she had a successful career as a travel consultant and a travel writer. In 1976, she was elected Vice President of the Minister's Wives Conference of the Southern Baptist Convention. In 2000, she was selected "Senior Adult of the Year" at First Baptist Church, Waco, Texas.

In addition to his ministry in churches, Larry served in various denominational positions. He was a member of the Executive Board of the Kentucky Baptist Convention; Moderator of the Pulaski County Baptist Association; Trustee of the Kentucky Baptist Children's Home; President of the Kansas City Baptist Pastor's Conference; Trustee of the Kansas City Baptist Hospital; Trustee of Southwest Baptist University; member of the Christian Life Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention; Chairman of the Registration Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention; President of the Lord's Day Alliance of Arkansas; Adjunct professor at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; Writer of adult curriculum material for the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; and Author of numerous articles for various denominational publications.

Upon retirement in 2000 Larry and Betty began serving as mission volunteers in Eastern Europe. They began their missionary service as full-time volunteers at the International Baptist Theological Seminary in Prague, Czech Republic. Larry served as chaplain and professor of Applied Theology. He also represented the school as guest professor at several other seminaries throughout Eastern Europe. Betty taught English to the children of students attending the seminary. She also served as campus hostess and worked in the seminary's book-store.

After six years, they were no longer able to continue serving in Eastern Europe on a full-time basis. However, they continue to spend six to eight weeks each year on seminary campuses in Ukraine and Armenia where they both teach. When at home in Texas, they spend much of their time raising funds for student scholarships, church planters, and construction projects in Eastern Europe. Their years as mission volunteers have been the happiest, most productive, and most satisfying years of their ministry. They are pleased to have former students now serving on every continent except Antarctica!

The Maddoxes have been blessed with a large and growing family: four daughters, two sons, eight grandsons, seven granddaughters, three great-grandsons, and two great granddaughters.

They celebrated their anniversary with many of their friends at First Baptist Church where Larry has taught an adult Bible study class for the past nine years. They also included travel as part of their anniversary celebration. They recently returned from a Mediterranean cruise and soon will be taking a trip to Washington D.C. and New York City.

BRIEFS

Museum happenings

- The "Perspectives on Healing" photography exhibit by Dr. Ann Tarleton about forgotten and overlooked practices will open on Friday, September 1.
- Hands on History: Kids can come write their own fight song to kick off football season from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on September 9 at the museum's Hands on History event.
- Dr. Ann Tarleton will talk about her photography exhibit, "Perspectives on Healing," in the back room of the Wild-fire Restaurant at 6:30 p.m. on September 13 at a Salon.
- Gault Archaeological Site Tour: Tours start at 9 a.m. at the Gault archaeological site in Florence on September 16. \$10 fee, free for kids 10 and under. Proceeds will go to the Gault School of Archaeological Research and the William-

son Museum.

- People can explore the county's textile past with hands-on demonstrations and activities at the museum on Chisholm Trail from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on September 17.

5K run/walk

Alan's Hope is hosting the Alan's Hope Guitars for HOPE 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, September 16, at 8 a.m. at the Brushy Creek Lake Park in Cedar Park in support of National Suicide Prevention Week. The event will feature music along the route and provide people with remembrance ribbons to honor those lost to suicide.

Tickets are \$15 and can be bought online at [www.Alan'sHope.eventbrite.com](http://www.Alan'sHope.eventbrite.com) or at the door starting at 7:15 a.m. Additional funds raised will go to Pick with Austin, a local nonprofit that operates in memory of Texas teen guitarist Alan Curley. Its mission is to raise awareness about the

dangers of depression. Pick with Austin donates guitars to kids and teens in hospitals, youth groups and ministries and to those identified as being at risk for depression.

Nutrition and fitness class

People can learn about nutrition and fitness and how to control their risk for diabetes and heart disease at the Healthy Eating and Active Living Class that will take place at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 22 at Bluebonnet Trails Community Services in Taylor. The class will continue every Tuesday through September 12. Free admission.

Corridor open houses

The county will hold an open house to gather public input on the A-1 and E-1 corridor studies on August 24 from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Williamson County Expo Center in Taylor. The studies are part of the county's Long-Range Transportation Plan.

Robles – Vogelzang



JENNIFER DEANNE ROBLES AND BENJAMIN LEE VOGELZANG

Jennifer Deanne Robles and Benjamin Lee Vogelzang were united in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony on Saturday, April 22, 2017 at two o'clock in the afternoon at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Austin, Texas. The ceremony was officiated by Father Charlie Garza.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Robles of Georgetown, Texas. Jennifer is a graduate of Georgetown High School and the University of Texas Health Science Center. She is currently employed as a Registered Nurse in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Seton Medical Center in Austin, Texas.

The groom is the son of Mr. Mark Vogelzang and the late Mrs. Rhonda Vogelzang, of Scarborough, Maine. Benjamin is a graduate of Mt. Mansfield High School and Gordon College. He is currently employed as a Software Engineer for Veracross LLC.

Escorted by her father, the bride wore a romantic gown remnant of a lush garden with floral lace adorning the sheer overlay with a beautiful scalloped sweetheart neckline. Delicate blooms extended onto a sweeping train, creating a breathtaking effect. She wore diamond stud earrings from her late mother-in-law in addition to beautiful floral drop earrings, a gift from her groom.

Serving as her Maid of Honor was Kirbie Johnson, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Angelica Diaz, cousin of the bride, Anna Racelis, Leandra Reyes, Jenn Russell, Bryana Mora and Debbie Zambrano, friends of the groom.

Serving as Best Man was Derek Soutiere, friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Dan Vogelzang and Aaron Vogelzang, brothers of the groom, Eric Robles and Joseph Robles, brothers of the bride, and Alex Lauzon and Anthony Boutros, friends of the groom.

The seven beautiful Flower Girls were nieces of the bride and groom. The handsome Ring Bearers and Sign Holders were nephews of the bride and groom.

Lectors were Mark Vogelzang, Sofie Johnson (Aunt of the bride), and Byanna Mora. Offertory gifts were presented by Aliyah Wilson and Cerena Deary, cousins of the bride.

The Bible was sponsored by Esther Diaz and Tony Perez. The Lazo was sponsored by Robin Vogelzang and Sarah Jones. The Arras were presented by Leo and Lisa Colon. The pillows which were used were also used at the bride's brother's wedding. Their late Grandmother Amelia Perez provided those pillows. Roses for the Virgin Mary were provided by Norma Adorno, Margaret Robles, and Lynda Robles, Aunts of the bride. The sponsors of the church were the most favorite aunts and uncles of the bride.

Following the beautiful ceremony, their many family and friends enjoyed a cocktail hour, dinner and dancing at Addison Grove in Austin, Texas which provided the charm of the Austin Hill Country.

After a romantic honeymoon in Kauai, Jennifer and Benjamin returned to Cedar Park, Texas to begin their new life together.

BLOTTER

Police arrest hit and run suspect

Taylor Police detectives, assisted by Texas Rangers, arrested Missael Padilla Lopez, 21, of Taylor on Wednesday at his job site in Austin, alleging he was involved in the hit-and-run crash that killed a teenage girl in Taylor earlier this month.

Another girl was struck by the truck but sustained non-life-threatening injuries. Mr. Lopez was charged with accident involving personal injury or death, a second-degree felony, and is being held at the Williamson County Jail.

Police find stolen guns in Georgetown storage unit

Brian Lay, 19, of Granger, was charged with allegedly stealing guns from a man's home in Taylor on April 21, police say.

A Williamson County Sheriff's Office detective believes that Mr. Lay, with the help of two other men, had stolen nearly 10 guns, a rolling cart, a gun case and an ice chest. Mr. Lay was charged with burglary of habitation, a second-degree felony, on August 11, and remains at the Williamson County Jail.

Man charged with stealing motorcycle

Jimmy Dewayne Steaples, 46, of Bertram, Texas, was charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle after police say he led them on a chase in Liberty Hill on August 13. Mr. Steaples was being pursued by police while driving a motorcycle when he stopped at a convenience store in Liberty Hill on State Highway 29.

When police asked to talk to him about his motorcycle, Mr. Steaples claimed he did not have one. He allegedly told police he had been dropped off, adding that he did not have a driver's license. Police believe the motorcycle had been stolen out of Austin. Mr. Steaples was arrested and transported to the Williamson County Jail.

Hit-and-run causes more than \$250,000 in damage

A Belton man allegedly crashed into six vehicles at the 2000 block of Little Elm Trail in Cedar Park and fled the scene on August 12 around 3 a.m., police say. Damages to the cars and a garage resulted in \$257,000. Robert Underwood was charged with criminal mischief, a second-degree felony, and was transported to the

Williamson County Jail.

Man charged with invasive visual recording

A Pflugerville man allegedly took a picture of a woman at a Walmart in Round Rock on June 24, police say. A woman was checking out items at the cash register when she claims she saw a man, Guadalupe Hernandez Herrera, 37, standing behind her with his cell phone under her skirt.

She left the store, but returned with her boyfriend, who demanded to see the pictures Mr. Herrera had allegedly taken of his girlfriend.

After he was shown the picture, the woman's boyfriend punched Mr. Herrera, police said. The Pflugerville man was charged with invasive visual recording, a state jail felony.

Sheriff calls alleged phone scammer

Williamson County Sheriff Robert Chody called an alleged phone scammer on August 15 who identified himself as "Deputy Marshall" about a call he had received about a warrant for the sheriff's arrest. The man asked if Sheriff Chody works for law enforcement, to which the sheriff replies that he does.

"Why are you calling representing the sheriff's office?" Sheriff Chody said before the man hung up. The sheriff shared the video online. The sheriff's office does not call anyone about outstanding warrants.

Deputy saves 5-year-old from drowning

A Williamson County deputy came to the rescue after hearing about a possible drowning at a swimming pool in Round Rock on August 10. Detective Albert Ortiz arrived at the Teravista Subdivision swimming pool and saw a 5-year-old girl on her back.

While she was responsive, the deputy observed that the child's airway was obstructed by vomit. Detective Ortiz rolled the girl on her side and cleared the obstruction, opening up her airway.

EMS arrived shortly afterwards to take the child to St. David's Hospital for treatment and she was released the next day.

"Detective Ortiz' actions are a great example of the type of heroes we have at the [sheriff's office.] In addition, there are two citizens who left the scene who were instrumental in saving this young girl's life," Sheriff Robert Chody said.

- Charlotte Kovalchuk

BRIEFS

Fund-raising gala for new hospital

The Berry Creek Country Club will host Healing Beyond the Horizon's fourth annual fund-raising gala on September 16 at 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. to raise money for a new hospital in Cameroon, Africa. People will enjoy Cameroonian cuisine, traditional African entertainment and a silent and live auction at the event.

Tickets are \$50, which people can buy at [www.healing-beyondthehorizon.org](http://www.healing-beyondthehorizon.org). Healing Beyond the Horizon is a nonprofit that provides med-

ical services, health education and fresh water to Cameroonians. Doctor Ekokobe Fonkem, who lives in Georgetown and works as a neuro-oncologist at Baylor Scott and White Medical Center in Temple, started the organization in 2010 after moving here from Cameroon and hopes to

raise around \$100,000 for the new hospital.

Caring Place fund-raiser

People can enjoy barbecue, dancing, a cattle roundup and live music at the Deep in the Heart of Caring fund-raising gala benefiting The Caring Place at the Schwertner Ranch

Event Center on September 30 at 5:30 p.m. The event will auction off items like round-trip plane tickets, Kendra Scott jewelry and a spa day. Johnny Lee and The Urban Cowboy Band will play at the event. Tickets are \$100 per person and can be bought online at [www.caringplacctx.org](http://www.caringplacctx.org).

Georgetown Police Chief Wayne Nero gives Dr. Lyle Warden an award for his dedication to helping animals during the City Council meeting August 8. Dr. Warden works at the Georgetown Animal Shelter. Also pictured is Tonia Hermann, left, and Monica Burns, technicians at the animal shelter who were honored for helping to save a choking dog in May.

Madison Simmons



Shelter technicians save dog

On May 17, at 11:30 a.m., the city animal shelter was closed.

Health technicians Tonia Hermann and Monica Burns were preparing for animal surgeries when they heard a banging on the door. A man was standing there, holding Gizmo, a 21-year-old terrier mix choking on a chicken nugget.

The two technicians sprung into action. They dislodged the nugget, but Gizmo was still non-responsive.

"Monica and Toni knew time was not on their side

and promptly gave CPR," Captain Evelyn McLean said.

Gizmo was taken to Koy Animal Clinic for more treatment and was later released.

She and Chief of Police Wayne Nero gave the two women a "Core Value" award for duty at the August 8 City Council meeting. They were not the only ones honored at the meeting.

Animal shelter manager April Haughey spoke of Dr. Lyle Warden, the veterinarian who works at the George-

town Animal Shelter.

"He willingly shares his knowledge and expertise with staff and never asks for anything in return," Ms. Haughey said.

"He has rushed his barber through a haircut and even risked getting brain freeze from eating his ice cream too fast in order to come help care for an animal in an emergency situation."

Chief Nero gave him a "Community Award" for his service.

-Madison Simmons



# New Purl campus welcomes students

*Continued from 1A*

school day for the first time. Eli was bummed because he did not get to hang out with his friend.

“You’ll get to see her later; she lives next door,” Mr. Martinez said, laughing.

“I’m excited for him to start, and I hope he’s excited, but he definitely has his first day jitters.”

### Students at the new Purl

The first day of school was hectic for Purl students, who needed to get acclimated to the brand new building that was constructed near the old Purl at 1601 Laurel Street. The old campus was torn down during summer.

Aside from brief introductions, most teachers, like first grade teacher Isabel Hurst, gave their students a tour of the campus.

“We’re still using the same procedures as last year. Hands behind your backs, and walk in a line,” she said.

Ms. Hurst took her class down the hallways and showed them the first grade classrooms, and then guided them through the sectors for the other grade levels on the second floor. She high-fived former students along the way.

On the second floor, students will have access to a “learning balcony,” where they can work on projects, and teachers will have their own spaces.

“They’re still working on these rooms, but soon they’ll all be ready,” she told the class.

Upon returning to her classroom, Ms. Hurst sat all the students in a corner to read them a book called, “First Grade Stinks.” She gasped after saying the title.

“Do you think first grade stinks?” she asked.

The students replied with a resounding “no.”

The book helped Ms. Hurst explain all the differences between kindergarten and first grade, so that the students would not feel overwhelmed.

“When those kindergarteners see you, you’re important because you’re first graders. You’re the example now,” she said.

“I am really excited about the changes being made for the new school, and I think you will be, too.”

The book ended with the main character saying, “First grade is great.”

“I hope by the end of the day, you all feel the same way,” Ms. Hurst said.

Almost in unison, her students replied, “We already do.”

### New beginnings

Thursday was also a first for Purl’s new principal Denise Baldwin.

“It was an awesome first day. I’ve been a principal for the teachers for awhile now, but when I saw the kids with the teachers, I got teary-eyed,” Ms. Baldwin said.

Ms. Baldwin is most excited to see how teachers utilize their classrooms.

“The teachers were able to work with other teachers by moving the glass panels in the rooms,” she said. “You could see them actually utilize their collaborative spaces. The teachers have been coming up with these ideas for a long time, so it was great to see them put those ideas to use.”

### Modernized education

The new Purl was a \$31.4 million project that was part of the \$160.6 million school bond package in 2015. It is on the cutting edge of educational design. Classrooms have sliding glass panels that allow students and teachers to work together.

It is also fitted for modern technology and the interior was designed to resemble the Georgetown Square.

Additionally, the campus was built with the idea of vertical alignment, which focuses on students in different grades working together on the same subject.

To accomplish that, the first floor is designated for pre-kindergarteners, kindergarteners, and third graders, while the second floor has first, second, fourth and fifth graders.

“So say the second graders and fifth graders are working on something that has the same concept, they can actually do the project together,” Ms. Baldwin explained.

“If it’s science and they’re studying plants, the two grade levels can plant the seeds together and teach each other.”

### Incomplete campus

Although the school is ready to be used by students, the district is still doing finishing touches on the campus.

Many of the classrooms were not fully designed, offices were filled with boxes, and the campus has no landscaping yet. Additionally, the cafeteria and gymnasium are not complete.

For now, students are eating lunch in the classroom and doing activities in the library.

“With all of the construction work, we ask for your patience,” said Superintendent Fred Brent in a statement to parents.

“We are thankful the community has chosen to invest in GISD with bond funds as we adjust to being one of the fastest-growing cities in the country.”

The district estimates that it will be about two more weeks before the campus is complete. Construction workers are adding the finishing touches to Purl each day from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m., Ms. Baldwin said.

“It’s going to be like Christmas every day until it’s finished, so that’s exciting,” she said.

“But, for the building not being complete, it was an awesome first day.”



Andy Sharp

The crowd pours into the entrance of Annie Purl Elementary School at 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, the first day of classes for Georgetown ISD schools. Although the doors didn’t open until 7:30, quite a crowd had gathered outside in anticipation of entering a brand new campus.



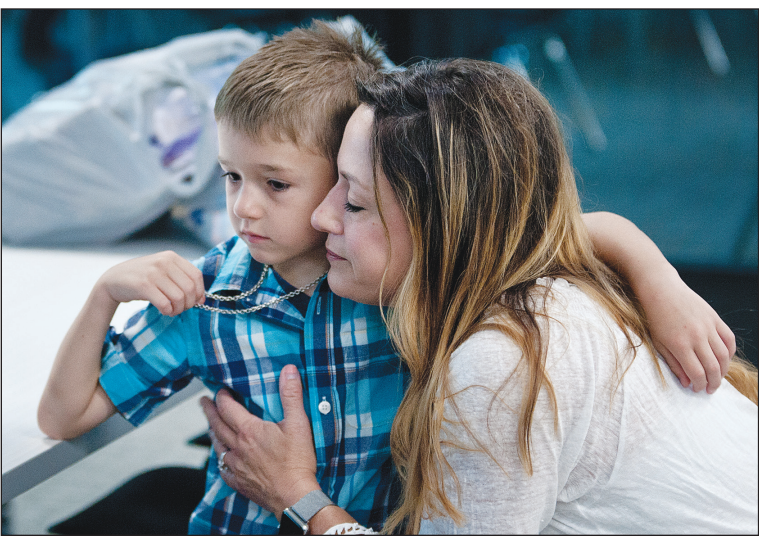
**Above,** Amariah Clevenger, 4, a Pre-K student, takes a bite out of an apple in her classroom on Thursday. **Right,** kindergartener Eli Martinez, 5, rides on his dad, Eric’s shoulders.



**Above,** fourth grader Denman Lowrance, 9, smiles during the first day of school. **Left,** morning light streams into the huge library area at Annie Purl Elementary.



**Above,** Pre-K student Abram Banuelos, 4, gets some direction from his teacher, Katie Ruefer, as he hangs up his backpack. **Right,** Carmen Flores, a member of the custodial staff at Annie Purl Elementary cleans dust from bookshelves in the library. The books were not yet placed onto the shelves as of Thursday.



**Above,** third grader Jose F. Hernandez, 8, decided to wear a coat and tie Thursday. **Left,** first grader Ethan Tibbet, 6, gets a good-bye hug from his mom, Kim.





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— 1 Cor. 13:7 (GNT)

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Georgetown ISD, Jarrell  
ISD to consider tax rates

The Georgetown school board will consider setting the tax rate at \$1.409 per \$100 of property value for the 2017-18 school year at Monday’s board meeting.

The tax rate is planned to be the same as it was for the 2016-17 school year. The reason for the tax rate is to pay down the 2015 bond package, which was approved by 60 percent of voters in November 2015.

The bill for homes averaged at \$250,000 will see an annual property tax of about \$3,759.

The board will also receive an update regarding progress on bond projects, which includes renovations at several campuses.

The Jarrell school district will also adopt a tax rate, as it aims to increase it from \$1.37 to \$1.42 per

**At a glance**

The school districts in Georgetown and Jarrell will look at proposed tax rates for the next fiscal year.

- Georgetown ISD: \$1.409, the same as this last fiscal year
- Jarrell ISD: \$1.42, up from \$1.37

\$100 of property value.

In addition, the district will bring design reviews to the school board.

If approved, Jarrell ISD will send out bids for construction of Jarrell Elementary School. Its goal is to begin construction by spring.

— Jonathan Adams

County opts not to  
cut museum funds

By CHARLOTTE KOVALCHUK

County Commissioner Terry Cook proposed cutting The Williamson Museum’s funding by \$200,834 for the next fiscal year, but her recommendation received no action after other commissioners said it needed more discussion and that the sudden funding decrease would be detrimental to the museum.

The budget cut would have left the museum with only \$25,000 in county funds. It currently gets \$225,834 every year from the county.

During Wednesday’s budget modification session, Commissioner Cook questioned the prudence of giving \$200,000 to a service she said isn’t a core county function.

“We need that money for core county functions,” she said.

But what defines a necessary county role is what Commissioner Valerie Covey wanted to know, as there are other county-funded services that could be considered as not essential but still important.

“We wouldn’t be doing parks or EMS. That’s not something counties have to do,” Commissioner Covey said.

“I’ve seen [the museum’s] value. I think what they’re doing is wonderful for the community. I think we need to look at the value.”

Commissioner Cook said they needed to consider how important the museum is to the county.

“I believe the county should give it some support, but the level of support is what I’m struggling with. Is it of \$200,000 of importance to the county to be funding it at that level?” she said.

Other commissioners said that cutting funds by such a large amount would negatively affect the museum, which has locations in Georgetown and Round Rock.

“I think it would be devastating for the museum today. I think cutting the budget today would be detrimental to its efforts without an exit plan,” Commissioner Covey said.

Commissioner Cook with-



Sun photo

Gumisindo Gonzales shared a personal collection with The Williamson Museum this year. He’s pictured with museum executive director Mickie Ross.

draw her recommendation when other commissioners indicated they were not in favor of cutting the museum’s funding at the moment. No action was taken on the item that day, leaving the museum with its annual \$225,834 in county funding as the commissioners continue to go over the proposed county budget.

Museum Director Mickie Ross declined to comment on the commissioners’ discussion.

Other budget business this week included commissioners giving 2 and 2.25 percent raises for law enforcement workers, and voting not to give elected officials salary raises for the next fiscal year.

Commissioners will hold one more budget modification session on Wednesday to talk about the proposed budget, \$316.1 million, and the proposed tax rate, \$0.476529, the same as the current rate, before making a final decision on both at the end of August.

With the modifications so far, the overall proposed budget has climbed from \$305.7 million. At a budget modification session on August 16, commissioners added \$7.9 million to the general fund, \$2 million to the road and bridge department and half a million dollars to debt service, for a new proposed budget of \$316.1 million.

The new fiscal year starts October 1.



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**Back to school events**

Georgetown school district students returned to the classroom on Thursday, and there are still a couple of back-to-school events happening at the high schools.

East View High School will have an open house on September 6, while Georgetown High School’s will be September 13.

**ACHIEVEMENTS**

**Ben Strozewski of Round Rock** was named to the dean’s list at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, by maintaining a grade point average of at least a 3.6.

**GOODWATER MONTESSORI**

**Open house planned for new charter school**

Construction of Goodwater Montessori School is near completion.

The school, set to open its doors on September 5 to 335 students ages 3 to 11, will have an open house on August 31 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the campus grounds at 710 Stadium Drive.

Goodwater Montessori is project that has been four years in the works.

—Jonathan Adams

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# Walburg Restaurant celebrates 30 years

By MADISON SIMMONS

There was drinking, there was dining, there was dancing and, of course, there was music all week-end long at the Walburg Restaurant.

That's true of any week-end in Williamson County's slice of Bavaria, but this was special: The Walburg Restaurant celebrated 30 years of business.

"It's amazing," owner Ronny Tippelt said Friday night, sitting at a picnic table in the biergarten.

"Time flies."

He seems pleasantly surprised to find himself still in Walburg, Texas, a short drive northeast of Georgetown.

The restaurant, after all, was just an investment. Mr. Tippelt, married and with a young daughter, was living in Austin when the Walburg Mercantile building came up for sale.

He hatched a plan. He would get the restaurant going with the help of Herbert Schwab, a chef, and then he'd move on to something else.

"I figured I'd have it two

years and sell it to the chef, but I'm still here. I fell in love with the business and I don't have to go to work anymore," he joked.

It only makes sense a Bavarian like Ronny Tippelt dug his heels into Walburg.

After all, Hy Doering, who built the Walburg Mercantile Building in 1882, came from Germany.

Mr. Tippelt calls The Walburg Restaurant his "little Bavaria."

The menu is pan-European, with an emphasis on southern German food and a touch of Texas flair — jalapeño currywurst, anyone?

Perhaps it's a case of over-exposure, but Mr. Tippelt said he never eats German food, hasn't for years, and he's more likely to sip on a Coors Light or a Shiner Bock than a Hefeweizen or a Doppelbock.

But when it comes to music, his German roots show. "Music is his first love," Kristen Adams, his daughter, said.

She theorizes he bought the place so he could share his music with the world. Every weekend his band,

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Madison Simmons

Bonnie Warwick and Dale Cockerell stand in front of the entrance to the beer garden at Dale's Essenhaus in Walburg. **Below left**, though Dale's is known for its Walburg, a half-pound burger made with beef from the Taylor Meat Company, Mr. Cockerell says the catfish is the best seller by far. **Below right**, families fill Dale's Essenhaus on a Saturday night.



Madison Simmons

Ronny Tippelt, owner of the Walburg Restaurant, plays the accordion.

## Sisters open antique shop

By MADISON SIMMONS

The old Walburg State Bank may not hold gold or cash these days, but it does offer wealth of a different sort.

Martha Knight opened Martha's Treasure Haus, 3737 Farm-to-Market 972, in July 2016. Her sister, Dianna Chaffin, helps out.

"Both our husbands passed away and we decided we'd do something different, thought we'd do something fun," Ms. Knight said.

Originally from West Texas, the two moved to the area in the 1970s.

Both have an appreciation for antiques and a knack for making stuff, twin passions that fill the shop. On the right side, handmade wood

signs and an assortment of Western-style trays take up a table.

"Well, I started out, my husband and I had a fire pit and we needed something put all the stuff in," Ms. Chaffin said.

She got some spare wood, hammered it into a simple tray with sides high enough to stop stuff from sliding out but low enough to reach in easily. She nailed a horse-shoe on either end, making handles.

It didn't look half bad, she thought.

"My neighbors came over and said, 'Now where did you get that?' So I started making them for gifts," she said.

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By MADISON SIMMONS

It was the late 1990s and the owners of Joe's Place, a watering hole in Walburg, were selling.

"This was where I came to drink beer with the locals," Dale Cockerell said.

Mr. Cockerell's wheels started turning.

Born in East Texas, Mr. Cockerell came to Taylor in the 1970s and has lived in Williamson County ever since. He had owned washaterias for over 20 years — why not make a go of a different business?

In 1997, Joe's Place became Dale's Essenhaus.

"I thought I knew everything about businesses, but I knew nothing about restaurants," Mr. Cockerell said.

The first decade, the place bled money.

Mr. Cockerell put profits from his washaterias into the restaurant to keep it afloat.

Meanwhile, he trans-

formed the bar into a family restaurant. Burgers, catfish — American fare — went on the menu.

He turned some of the land into a beer garden, strewing the lawn with picnic tables, and converted a century-old barn into a stage where local bands could come jam on the weekends. A tall, climb-proof fence encases the property.

For parents looking to take the whole family out, it's paradise.

"You see that little feller?" Mr. Cockerell points to a little boy, no more than 4 years old, running across the gravel on a Friday night.

"That's why we do good. I've been told this by a million parents, 'We can relax and have a good time here.'"

At 6 p.m. on a Friday, the parking lot is full. By 7 p.m., the overflow parking lot has overflowed. Most of the patrons are families, many with young kids.

Mr. Cockerell estimates 800 to 1,000 visit during an average weekend.

"This place has never been about the money," Mr. Cockerell said.

"Well now, it does make money. But for 10 years it didn't."

Manager Bonnie Warwick has a 10 percent stake in the business. He plans to hand her the reins one of these days.

Dale's Essenhaus will host a 20-year anniversary celebration Saturday, September 9.

### Dale's Essenhaus

**where:** 3900 Farm-to-Market 972, Walburg, 512-819-9175

**when:** Monday to Thursday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. with karaoke Thursday, and live music Friday and Saturday  
■ The 20-year anniversary celebration will be September 9.



David Evans listens to the Gabriel River Band at Dale's. He has a friend in the band.

# Baker bakes plan after allergy discovery

By MADISON SIMMONS

You know what really throws a kink in a baker's plans?

Discovering a contact allergy to barley, an ingredient in almost every commercially produced flour in the United States.

"It was quite a doozy," Nelson Adams, co-owner of Oma's Brot said.

He got the diagnosis in March, after about eight months of experiencing rashes on his lower legs, hands, and forearms.

"The allergist didn't even want to look at me," he said.

"She felt so bad."

For Nelson and Kristen Adams this meant practically starting their business over from scratch.

"There's a whole new learning curve but that's what makes baking fun, is the



Madison Simmons

Kristen and Nelson Adams stand in front of the site of their future kitchen. They co-own Oma's Brot, a bakery that makes traditional breads. Their basic loaves have three ingredients: flour, water and salt.

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# New life for former Monument building?

If all goes as planned, one of Georgetown's most iconic buildings, the original Monument Café will get a new life as a brewery.

Jared and Alicia Wennstrom hope to open Humble Pint Brewing Company at 1953 South Austin Avenue in early 2018.

"The building itself is pretty compelling," Jared said.

"It just looks rad."

The pair has talked about having a brewery, or a bed and breakfast or some combination thereof for about 20 years. They started getting serious about it about a year ago.

Originally from that holy land of craft beer, Oregon, the Wennstroms hope to bring a taste of the Pacific Northwest to Central Texas.

And the name, Humble Pint?



"We thought of 10 jillion names. This just popped out," Jared said.

"Beer is an extremely humble food. It uses four ingredients and it just takes a lot of care and love to make well."

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# Restaurant celebrates 30-year anniversary



Edie Payne and Don Heckman dance along to the music of the Walburg Boys during the Walburg Restaurant's 30-year anniversary celebration weekend earlier this month.

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The Walburg Boys, takes the stage. Ronny Tippelt pounds away on his squeezebox, eyes half closed, singing and swaying. He took up the accordion when he was six or seven.

"This was a thing for old men, not for young boys," he said.

He also yodels. Franzl Lang, one of the most widely acclaimed yodelers in recent history, taught him. Now Mr. Tippelt is considered one of the best in the United States.

One day he will retire. But not now. Someone, he hopes, will continue the legacy.

Though population growth and development has not touched the town as much as it has other places in Central Texas, it will come.

"Eventually we'll be an oasis," Mr. Tippelt said.

"The small farms will all be neighborhoods."

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# Baker working on new recipes, kitchen

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constant struggle between you and your product," Mr. Adams said.

He paused.

"Maybe fun isn't the right word."

"Nelson always needs a challenge," Ms. Adams said.

This particular challenge yielded fabulous results.

Oma's Brot now sources their flour from Barton Springs Mill. The small company mills carefully sourced organic wheat in small batches. Partners, like the Adams, get fresh flour in weekly deliveries, an almost unheard of luxury.

But Mr. Adams has had to redevelop all of his recipes.

Due to the health issues and an increased demand for bread from the Wolf Ranch Farmers Market (Oma's typically sells out of all its products), the Adams have had to pull out of

their partnerships with local restaurants, including Kristen's dad's place, The Walburg Restaurant.

"The main thing is getting that kitchen done. We need to make enough bread for all of the markets, and to get back to our commercial clients," Mr. Adams said.

The kitchen in question is a 250-square-foot building on the property of The Walburg Restaurant.

Putting the roof on, running electricity — the Adams and

their friends are putting all the work into it.

The finished product will retain its longleaf pine floorboards and, the Adams promise, be "completely cute."

They envision the kitchen as not only the headquarters for Oma's Brot but also a space for apprentice programs for youth, classes, socializing a community center bound by bread.

Two loaves sit beneath the canopy at The Walburg Restaurant. On Fridays, Nelson Adams bakes off bread to take to the Wolf Ranch Farmers Market on Saturday mornings.

Raising funds

Oma's Brot is raising funds for a new kitchen.

- [www.gofundme.com/project-pretzel](http://www.gofundme.com/project-pretzel)
- Omelet brunch fundraiser: Sunday, August 20 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Je Suis Coffee, 105 West Ninth Street, \$10

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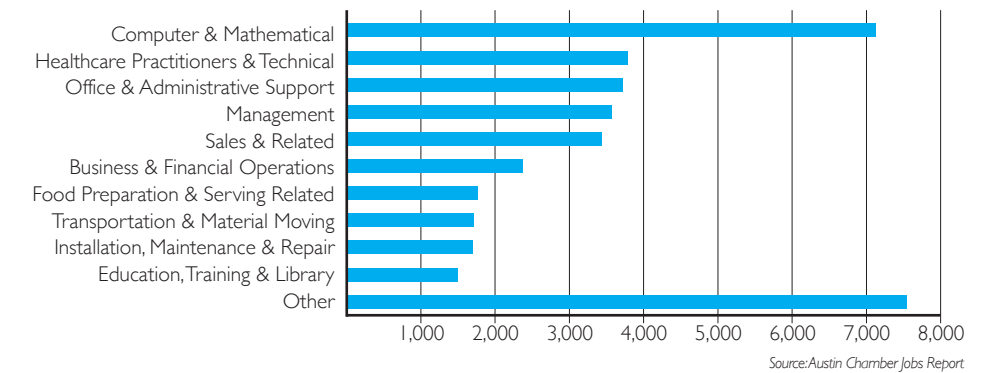
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Pacesetter Homes	113 Lasino Drive	1,764	\$151,704
Pacesetter Homes	2125 Pindos Pandy Way	2,121	\$182,406
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Pulte Group	807 Holiday Creek Lane	3,352	\$288,272
SDI Residential LLC	424 Skyflower Drive	2,582	\$230,000
Pulte Group	808 Holiday Creek Lane	3,460	\$297,560
Pulte Group	110 Paint Creek Lane	2,334	\$200,724
SDI Residential LLC	308 Skyflower Drive	1,963	\$168,818
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BRIEFS

HARC supports lofts

City secretary Karen Frost said the Historic and Architectural Review Commission had only one or two minor suggestions for the proposed design of Lofts on Rock, 810 Rock Street.

"HARC liked they project. They suggested instead of having black railings that they look at dark bronze because they thought it was a warmer feel. That was the only suggestion they really had for this project. They were very complimentary," she said.

The auto garage has already been cleared; property owner Eric Visser has said he hopes to have the four-story, 12-unit condominium finished by mid-May 2018.

New chamber members

The following entities and people recently joined the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce:

- TX Public School Proud, 512-639-0012, www.txpublicschoolproud.com
- Justinian & Associates, Pflugerville, 512-980-0000, www.justinian.com
- Linda Masera, Georgetown

Chamber ribbon cuttings

The following businesses will have a ribbon cutting with the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce:

- Double Dave's Pizzaworks, 610 North Austin Avenue Suite 106, August 21, 5:15 p.m.
- Arthur Murray Dance Center, 3010 Williams Drive #177, August 25, 5:15 p.m.
- GTU Jet, 600 Hanger Drive, August 30, 12:15 p.m.
- Something Social, 1 Chamber Way, August 31, 5:15 p.m.

Gus's Drug discontinues postal service

Gus's Drug, 702 East University Avenue in Georgetown, will discontinue its postal service September 1. All other aspects of the business will remain the same.

Round Rock chamber announces development

EastGroup Properties, Inc. will invest over \$7 million to build two new industrial buildings in Round Rock, according to a press release.

Mayor Craig Morgan stated,

"With a vacancy rate below 5 percent in Round Rock for industrial speculative space, this project is a huge win for our community."

The first phase of the project will add 160,000 square feet of space on 12 acres of land at 900 East Old Settlers Boulevard. The initial two buildings are expected to be completed by the third quarter of 2018.

Comptroller visits Round Rock manufacturers

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar toured Samsung in Austin and TECO-Westinghouse Motor Company in Round Rock on August 14, the beginning of a statewide tour of manufacturers.

"Texas has an extraordinary manufacturing economy," Mr. Hegar said.

"The state's resources make it a natural leader in petroleum and chemical manufacturing, our research institutions have fostered computer-related and other high-tech manufacturing, and our business-friendly environment and skilled labor force have helped create a dynamic automotive manufacturing sector."

The electrical equipment, appliance and component subsector, which includes TECO-Westinghouse, accounts for \$11.7 billion in annual exports and more than 45,000 Texas direct and indirect jobs, and contributes \$2.5 billion to the state's gross domestic product.

In all, Texas manufacturers were responsible for 3 million direct and indirect jobs in 2016. The average annual salary for direct jobs is nearly \$75,000.

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WilCo home sales rise

Williamson County home sales increased 2.3 percent year-over-year in July, while median price rose 4.4 percent to \$274,450, according to the according to the July 2017 Central Texas Housing Market Report released recently by the Austin Board of Realtors.

Community to benefit animal shelters

Drees Custom Homes will host "Drees Digs Dogs" at its Deer Haven Community, 105 Axis Loop, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on September 23.

The community will have a food truck, live music and adoptable pets on site. Drees will donate \$10 for every attendee to the William-

son County and Georgetown animal shelters. Attendees can enter for a chance to win a doghouse.

Expo planned

The Georgetown Chamber of Commerce Home and Business Expo is planned for the evening of October 17 at the Georgetown Community Center.

Anniversary party

Pearl Snap Hall, 701 North Austin Avenue in Georgetown, will have its one-year anniversary and a vendor open house on September 17 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Wedding showcase

Reunion Ranch, 850 County Road 255 in Georgetown, will host a summer wedding showcase from 1 to 5 p.m. August 27.

Retirement tips

People can learn about customized retirement plans, how to maximize contributions and how to minimize taxes at the retirement plan symposium. The event is planned for September 12 at the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce, 1 Chamber Way.

Jazz night

The Vineyard of Florence, 8711 Farm-to-Market 487, will have a jazz night August 25 from 6 to 8 p.m. People can enjoy live music and a glass of wine or sangria for \$15.

CAMPO plans

The Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) will be hosting public open house meetings to share information and collect input on amendments to its Transportation Improvement Program and 2040 Regional Transportation Plan. A meeting will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. August 23 at Taylor City Hall.

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## Antique shop in Walburg

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That was 10 years ago. She got so many comments she figured she might as well sell them.

Her sister's interests are a little more eclectic.

"There were more of these but I sold them," Martha Knight said, pointing at chairs with seats made of woven belts.

She also paints eggs in the European tradition, crafts jewelry out of keys — anything that catches her eye she can turn into something else.

The two got their brother into the business: they sell knives Charles Goza makes

from top quality blades and shed antlers he finds on his property in Colorado.

Though not antique dealers, the shop carries some small pieces as well as vintage items.

"In town they're \$100 but I sell them for \$5," she said, gesturing to a bookshelf teeming with throwback jeans.

People stop all the time, the sisters report, to ask to photograph the bank door and the vault; Heinrich Doering opened Walburg State Bank in 1913.

Ms. Knight rents the building from the Doering trust. They're open from noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday to Saturday.



Martha Knight, left, and Dianna Chaffin, right, stand at the front of Martha's Treasure Haus, a shop in the old Walburg State Bank. Though they waited for awhile, the sisters dreamed this place up way back when.

Madison Simmons



Dianna Chaffin shows a formidable-looking knife to her sister, Martha Knight. Their brother, Charles Goza, makes the knives. **Right**, Ms. Chaffin's handmade signs and boxes take up a section of the shop.



**Above left**, Martha's Treasure Haus occupies the old Walburg State Bank on Farm-to-Market 972. **Above right**, Martha Knight points out some of the jewelry pieces she has made.

**Candle Holders**  
Wall and table

**Wood Decor**  
Wood wall decor and finished decorative wood accessories  
Does not include furniture or unfinished craft wood

**Decorative Lanterns, Birdcages & Terrariums**

**Knobs, Pulls, Handles, Hooks & Decorative Hardware**

**Decorative Bottles**  
Fruit & vegetable filled

**Collage Frames**

**Trays, Coasters & Place Mats**

**Framed & Canvas Art**

**Glass Decor**  
Glass Department, floral glass vases and craft glass containers  
Does not include craft stained glass or glass tabletops

**Metal Decor**  
Metal wall decor, functional & decorative metal accessories  
(Includes metal containers in our Floral & Crafts Departments)  
Does not include furniture

**Wicker, Decorative Boxes & Storage**  
Does not include large trunks or craft & paper crafts storage

**Decorative Memo Boards, Chalkboards & Corkboards**  
Priced \$24.99 & Up

**Men's Metal & Wood Decor**  
Wall and table

**Categories Listed**  
Does not include Seasonal Department

**HOME DECOR 50% OFF**

**Fall and Christmas items are not included in Home Decor sale.**

**FALL HOME & PARTY DECOR, FLORAL AND CRAFTS**  
Arrangements, bushes, wreaths, garlands, swags, stems, picks and ribbon  
**40% OFF**  
Does not include floral custom designs or candy

**CHRISTMAS DECOR**  
**40% OFF**  
Does not include fabric, needle art, candy, light sets, light accessories or Scotch® tape

**CHRISTMAS TREES**  
**40% OFF**  
12 in - 12 ft

**CHRISTMAS FLORAL**  
Arrangements, bushes, wreaths, garlands, swags, stems, picks and ribbon  
**40% OFF**  
Does not include custom designs

**CHRISTMAS CRAFTS**  
**40% OFF**  
Items labeled "Make It Christmas" and "Christmas by Bead Treasures®"

**CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**  
Sylvania® Mini Light Set 100 Count **4.99**  
Sylvania® Multi-Function Light Set 130 Count, 16 Function **12.99**  
All-Purpose Light Clips 100 Count **4.99**  
Sylvania® Icicle Light Set 300 Count **12.99**  
Sylvania® Net Style Lights 150 Count **9.99**  
Sylvania® Light Set 25 Count, C-9 **9.99**

**FLORAL 50% OFF**  
Categories Listed  
Does not include Seasonal Department or items labeled "floral accents"

**FURNITURE**  
**30% OFF**  
THE MARKED PRICE\*

**YARN & NEEDLE ART**  
Baby Bee® Baby Yarns Hushabye and Sweet Delight® 3, 3.5 & 4 oz. **4.22**  
Crafter's Secret™ Cotton 2 & 2.5 oz. **1.87**  
Yarn Bee® Soft Secret™ 4 & 6 oz. **3.33**  
Packaged Quilt Battings & Pillow Forms **30% OFF**

**Ribbon & Trims by the Roll**  
Ribbon, bows, tulle & disco mesh in our Wedding, Floral and Fabric Departments  
Does not include ribbon, trim or tulle sold by the yard

**Wedding**  
Items Labeled Studio Hia & Hers®  
Invitations, tasting glasses, ring pillows, cake toppers and more

**Photo Frames**  
Always 50% off the marked price\*  
Our entire selection of basic & fashion tabletop frames and wooden photo storage

**Custom Frames**  
Always 50% off the marked price\*  
Applies to frame only

**Wall Frames**  
Poster, document and portrait frames with glass

**Collage Frames**

**PAPER CRAFTS 50% OFF**  
Most Categories Listed

**ART SUPPLIES**  
Poster Board White 4/1.00 Colored, neon & metallic 2/1.00  
Master's Touch® Oil Paint 4.87 12.87  
Artist Sets Priced \$24.99 & Up Art, watercolor, acrylic & oil 30% OFF  
Art Easels & Tables Priced \$12.99 & Up 30% OFF  
Master's Touch® Art Canvas & Panels 50% OFF  
Does not include 2-packs

**JEWELRY MAKING 50% OFF**  
Categories Listed

**FABRIC**  
Home Decor Fabric Prints, solids, sheers and laminated fabric  
Fleece Prints, solids and microfibre  
Calico Prints & Solids Apparel prints and batiks  
Ribbon, Trim & Tulle Spools Does not include ribbon, trim or tulle sold by the yard or Seasonal Department 50% OFF  
Knits Jersey, ruffle and travel 30% OFF  
Fall Apparel Fabric Does not include harvest fabric 30% OFF

\* Discounts provided every day; marked prices reflect general U.S. market value for similar products.

**HOBBY LOBBY**

PRICES GOOD IN STORES MONDAY, AUGUST 21 – SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 2017.  
PRICES GOOD ONLINE SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 – SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 2017.  
SOME ADVERTISED ITEMS NOT AVAILABLE ONLINE. SALES SUBJECT TO SUPPLY IN STOCK.  
SELECTION AND QUANTITIES VARY BY STORE. AD DOES NOT APPLY TO PRE-REDUCED ITEMS.

**GEORGETOWN**  
I-35 & Hwy. 29  
901 S. IH-35

STORE HOURS:  
9 A.M. – 8 P.M.  
CLOSED SUNDAY

**40% OFF**  
One Item at Regular Price  
COUPON CODE: 09084

**HOBBY LOBBY**  
Offer good for one item at regular price only. Limit one coupon per customer per day. Must present coupon at time of purchase. Offer is not valid with any other coupon, discount or previous purchase. One cut or one book of fabric or trim "by the yard" equals one item. Online fabric & trim discount is limited to 10 yards, single cut. Excludes Heidi Swapp® Mini®, Foil Applicator, Cricut® products, Gemini Machine® Crafters Companion, Silhouette Cameo® Machine, candy & snack products, gum & mints, helium tanks, gift cards, custom orders, labor, rentals or class fees. Cash Value 1/10¢. VALID THROUGH AUGUST 26, 2017  
Coupon For In Store or Online Use!

SHOP ANYTIME AT HOBBYLOBBY.COM

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**Public Notices**

**City of Georgetown  
Notice of Public Hearing**  
Notice is hereby given that the City of Georgetown will hold its regular public meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission on **September 5, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** at its regular meeting place in the Council Chambers, 101 East 7th Street, Georgetown, Texas and the Regular Public meeting of City Council on **September 12, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** at its regular meeting place in the Council Chambers, 101 East 7th Street, Georgetown, Texas, to consider the following proposed items:  
**Public Hearing** and possible action on a request to Re-zone approximately 4.40 acres in the Fish Survey located at 4819 Williams Drive from the Neighborhood Commercial (CN) District, to Local Commercial (C-1) District. (REZ-2017-013 4819 Williams Drive) Chelsea Irby, Planner and Sofia Nelson, Planning Director.

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Notice is hereby given that the City of Georgetown will hold its regular public meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission on **September 5, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** at its regular meeting place in the Council Chambers, 101 East 7th Street, Georgetown, Texas and the Regular Public meeting of City Council on **September 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.** at its regular meeting place in the Council Chambers, 101 East 7th Street, Georgetown, Texas, to consider the following proposed items:  
**Public Hearing** and possible action on a request to Re-zone approximately 5 acres in the William Roberts Survey, located near the intersection of Shell Road and SH 195 from the Agriculture (AG) District to the Regional Commercial (C-3) District. (REZ-2017-014, Georgetown Gun Range) Nathan Jones-Meyer, Planner

**Public Hearing** and possible action on a request for a Special Use Permit to allow an automotive sales facility located at 2030 S. Austin Avenue and within the General Commercial (C-3) District, to be known as Alan's Auto Sales. (SUP-2017-003, Alan's Auto Sales) Juan Enriquez, Planner

**Public Hearing** and possible action on a request to rezone 0.17 acres, Lot Z, Block 3 of the Whittle Addition, located at 301 S. Main, from the Residential Single-Family (RS) to Mixed Use Downtown and Downtown Overlay Districts. (REZ-2017-016) Nat Waggoner, Long Range Planning Manager

**Public Hearing** and possible action on amendments to the Unified Development Code (UDC) to revise Sec. 7.03.020- Non-Residential Lot and Dimensional Standards to amend the maximum height permitted in the C-3 Zoning district from 45' to 60'.

**Public Hearing** and possible action on amendments to the Unified Development Code (UDC) to revise Sec. 5.04.010 - Commercial Uses Allowed by District to amend the use of fuel stations in the C-3 zoning district from Permitted by Right to Permitted with Limitations, and amend Sec. 5.04.020 - Commercial Use Limitations- Fuel Sales use limitations within the C-1 and C-3 zoning designations. \*\*\*\*\*

As a member of the general public you are invited to be present at such meeting if you desire to discuss the proposed change or advisability of any other change.

A copy of the planning report related to these items will be available at the Planning Department located at 406 W. 8th Street, no later than the Friday prior to the meeting described above. For further information, call the Planning Department office at 512-930-3575.

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
WILLIAMSON COUNTY  
INVITATION FOR BID**  
The Williamson County Commissioners Court invites the submission of Sealed BIDS:

**Flexible Base Materials**  
Sealed bids, will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Williamson County Purchasing Office located at 901 South Austin Ave, Georgetown, Texas 78626 on 8/29/2017 at 3:00 PM.

Bids must be received on or before 3:00 PM, 8/29/2017. An optional pre-bid conference is to be held 8/21/2017 at 10:00 AM at Dept of Infrastructure, located at 3151 S. E. Inner Loop, Suite B Georgetown, Texas 78626.

Bid documents can be viewed by visiting the Williamson County Purchasing BidSync Portal at [www.bidsync.com](http://www.bidsync.com) or by visiting the Williamson County Purchasing website at <http://www.wilco.org/CountyDepartments/Purchasing> and selecting the link "register for bids." There is no fee to register as a supplier or to participate in the County's solicitation process.

The Williamson County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept the lowest and/or best value Bid as deemed by the Court, or reject any and/or all Bids. The receipt of electronic response to ids will be registered in Bidsync. The Time-Date Stamp Clock located at the Williamson County Purchasing Department will serve as the official clock for the purpose of verifying the date and time of receipt of paper responses. The designated Purchasing Agent for this IFB is Gary Stone, Purchasing Specialist I, under the direction of Randy Barker, Purchasing Agent for Williamson County, 512-943-1620. Issued by order of the Williamson County Commissioner's Court on 8/8/2017, Dan A. Gattis, County Judge.

**Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Wine and Beer Retailer's Permit by LIM SONG ENTERPRISE INC dba SUSHI HARA, to be located at 8701 W Parmer Ln., Suite 2128, Austin, William-**

**son County, Texas. Officers of said corporation are Alex Song, President and Hyun Nam, Treasurer.**

The Williamson County ESD # 7 will hold a meeting at 06:15 PM on August 22, 2017 at 301 Brewster, Florence, TX to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2017. The proposed tax rate is 0.094790 per \$100 of value. The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in Williamson County ESD # 7 by 4.983941 percent.

**TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN WATER QUALITY PERMIT RENEWAL  
PERMIT NO. WQ0014232001**

**APPLICATION.** City of Georgetown, 300 Industrial Avenue, Suite 1, Georgetown, Texas 78626, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to renew Texas Land Application Permit (TLAP) No. WQ0014232001 to authorize the disposal of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 460,000 gallons per day via irrigation on 152.8 acres of public access land. The domestic wastewater treatment facility and disposal area are located approximately 5.8 miles west of Interstate Highway 35 and 1.05 miles north of State Highway 29, in Williamson County, Texas 78626. TCEQ received this application on June 1, 2017. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at the Georgetown Municipal Complex, 300 Industrial Avenue, Suite 1, Georgetown, Texas. 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.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb619fin-dec.html?lat=30.649386&lng=-97.784733&zoom=13&type=r>

**ADDITIONAL NOTICE.** TCEQ's Executive Director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After technical review of the application is complete, the Executive Director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. **Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list and to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the deadline for submitting public comments.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting on this application.** The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ will hold 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 HEARING.** After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will 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 response to comments, and the Executive Director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court.

**TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; 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 submit 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 correspondence; identify by name and physical address an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.**

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. The Commission may only grant a request for a contested 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 concerns submitted during the comment period.

**TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

**MAILING LIST.** If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application 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.

**INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE.** For details about the status of the application, visit the Commissioners' Integrated Database at [www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid](http://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 [www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html), 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.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep). Si desea informacion en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from the City of Georgetown at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Glenn Dishong at (512) 930-3555.

Issuance Date: July 28, 2017

**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF THOMAS W. RUE aka TOMMY WESLEY RUE aka THOMAS WESLEY RUE, DECEASED**  
Administration of the Estate of THOMAS W. RUE aka TOMMY WESLEY RUE aka THOMAS WESLEY RUE, Deceased, has been commenced by the issuance of original letters testamentary to Susan K. Rue on August 15, 2017, by the County Court at Law No. 4 of Williamson County, Texas, acting in Cause No. 17-0597-CP4, styled Estate of THOMAS W. RUE aka TOMMY WESLEY RUE aka THOMAS WESLEY RUE, Deceased, in which the matter is pending.

All persons having claims against the estate are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned at the address shown below within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated this 16th day of August, 2017.

TROY L. VOELKER, Attorney for SUSAN K. RUE, Independent Executor of the Estate of THOMAS W. RUE aka TOMMY WESLEY RUE aka THOMAS WESLEY RUE, Deceased

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Public Notice is hereby given of the Williamson County Commissioners Court intention to set the yearly salaries for county and precinct officials for the proposed budget for fiscal year 2017/2018 as follows:

**Judge of the County Court** (no salary increase from previous year) \$117,794.82 (County Judge currently receives \$4,800.00, per year for serving on the Juvenile Board)  
**Judge of the County Ct at Law #1** \$157,000.00  
**Judge of the County Ct at Law #2** \$157,000.00  
**Judge of the County Ct at Law #3** \$157,000.00  
**Judge of the County Ct at Law #4** \$157,000.00 (the State shall annually compensate the county in an amount equal to 60 percent of the state salary of a district court judge in the county for each county court judge)

**County Attorney** \$156,999.96 (no salary increase from previous year)  
**County Sheriff** \$119,002.78 (no salary increase from previous year)  
**County Clerk** \$97,574.36 (no salary increase from previous year)  
**District Clerk** \$97,574.36 (no salary increase from previous year)  
**County Tax Assessor/Collector** \$101,466.82 (no salary increase from previous year)  
**County Treasurer** \$93,879.76 (no salary increase from previous year)

**Each County Commissioner** \$95,918.16 (no salary increase from previous year)  
**Each Justice of the Peace** \$85,388.68 (no salary increase from previous year)  
**Each Constable** \$80,771.60 (no salary increase from previous year)  
**District Attorney - Supplement** \$18,000.00  
**Each District Judge - Supplement** \$18,000.00 (each District Judge currently receives \$4,800.00 per year from the county for serving on the Juvenile Board. In addition they will receive a supplement of \$13,200.00 per year which makes a total supplement of \$18,000)

The expense allowance for all officials and all employees is as follows:  
a) any county official that is required to use his/her personal automobile while on official county business may be entitled to receive mileage at the Internal Revenue Service allowable deduction for mileage, upon submitting the required documentation to the County Auditor.  
b) any official may be entitled to full reimbursement for lodging expenses when traveling out of the county, beyond a 45 mile radius of Williamson County Courthouse, 710 Main Street, Georgetown, Texas 78626, on official county business, if the required documentation is submitted to the County Auditor.  
c) all officials may be entitled

to reimbursement for any meals eaten when traveling out of the county on official county business, and the required documentation is submitted to the County Auditor. The maximum meal reimbursement is limited to \$50.00 per day.  
d) for any official to receive expense allowance under a, b or c above, the funds to be used to pay the reimbursement must have been appropriated by the Commissioners Court prior to the expense being incurred.

All qualifying County and Precinct officials will be provided with health benefits coverage under the Self Funded Williamson County Benefits Program. Health premiums for all County or Precinct officials will be funded by the county except for any set premium rate decided on by the Commissioners Court. Qualifying dependents of elected officials will also be provided health benefits for a set premium rate. All County and Precinct Officials are required by law to participate in the Texas County and District Retirement System. The County Auditor shall deduct the required matching contribution. Elected Officials contributions will be at the same rates applicable to County employees.

All County and Precinct Officials are eligible to participate in the Williamson County Eligible Employee, Spouse and Retiree Wellness program. The use of County equipment or vehicles for personal use is prohibited by law, but because of the need for specific officials to respond to emergencies at night and/or on week-ends, the following officials are authorized to take a county vehicle to their home at night, even though this involves the use of a county vehicle for travel to and from their home each day:

a) the County Sheriff  
b) each Constable  
Issued by order of the Williamson County Commissioners Court

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary were issued on August 15, 2017, for the Estate of LAMBERT JUNIOR SLAYDON, Deceased, in Docket No. 17-0580-CP4, pending in County Court at Law No. Four of Williamson County, Texas, to KEN MICHAELIS, as Independent Executor.

The residence of the Independent Executor is in Williamson County, Texas, and his mailing address is 134 Crystal Springs Dr., Georgetown, Texas 78633. All persons having claims against this Estate which are currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated: August 15, 2017

STUMP & STUMP  
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**OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE  
WILLIAMSON COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 12  
UNLIMITED TAX BONDS, SERIES 2017**

The Board of Directors of Williamson County Municipal Utility District No. 12 will receive bids on their \$10,025,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2017 on Thursday, August 31, 2017 at 10:00 A.M., Austin, Time, at the offices of Specialized Public Finance Inc., 248 Addie Roy Road, Suite B-103, Austin, Texas 78746. At a meeting on Thursday, August 31, 2017 at 12:00 P.M., Austin, Time, at Armbrust & Brown, PLLC located at 100 Congress Avenue, Suite 1300, Austin, Texas, the Board will immediately take action to reject any and all bids or accept the bid resulting in the lowest net interest cost to the District.

A bid for Bonds may be delivered to the District electronically, by telephone or delivered directly to the District in a sealed envelope addressed to the President and Board of Directors of the District at the Specialized Public Finance Inc. address. All bidders must submit a signed "Official Bid Form" and a bank Cashier's Check in the amount of \$200,500 payable to the order of Williamson County Municipal Utility District No. 12" as a Good Faith Deposit. Additional terms and conditions related to the submission of a bid for the Bonds are included in the "Official Notice of Sale."

The Bonds will mature serially on August 15, 2019 through August 15, 2047, and will be dated September 28, 2017. The "Official Notice of Sale," the "Preliminary Official Statement," and the "Official Bid Form" may be obtained from the District's Financial Advisor, Specialized Public Finance Inc., 248 Addie Roy Road, Suite B-103, Austin, Texas 78746, 512/275-7300. This notice does not constitute an offer to sell the Bonds but is merely notice of sale of the Bonds as required by Texas state law. The offer to sell the Bonds will be made by means of the "Official Notice of Sale," the "Preliminary Official Statement," and the "Official Bid Form."

F. Hagen McMahon, Jr., President, Board of Directors Williamson County Municipal Utility District No. 12

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
WILLIAMSON COUNTY  
INVITATION FOR BID**  
The Williamson County Commissioners Court invites the submission of Sealed IFB for:

**FY 17 Cross Culvert Replacements**  
Sealed IFBs will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Williamson County Purchasing Office located at 901 South Austin Ave, Georgetown, Texas 78626 on September 5th, 2017 at 3:45PM. Bids must be received on or before 3:45PM, September 5th, 2017.

An Optional pre-BID conference is to be held August 29th, 2017 at 9:00AM at Department of Infrastructure, located at 3151 South East Inner Loop Georgetown, TX 78626.

Bid documents can be viewed by visiting the Williamson County Purchasing BidSync Portal at [www.bidsync.com](http://www.bidsync.com) or by visiting the Williamson County Purchasing website at <http://www.wilco.org/CountyDepartments/Purchasing>

[www.wilco.org/CountyDepartments/Purchasing](http://www.wilco.org/CountyDepartments/Purchasing) and selecting the link "register for bids." There is no fee to register as a supplier or to participate in the County's solicitation process.

The Williamson County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept the lowest and/or best value Bid as deemed by the Court, or reject any and/or all Bids. The receipt of electronic response to ids will be registered in Bidsync. The Time-Date Stamp Clock located at the Williamson County Purchasing Department will serve as the official clock for the purpose of verifying the date and time of receipt of paper responses.

The designated Purchasing Agent for this IFB is Will Hutchinson, Purchasing Specialist III, under the direction of Randy Barker, Purchasing Agent for Williamson County, 512-943-1553. Issued by order of the Williamson County Commissioners Court on August 15, 2017, Dan A. Gattis, County Judge.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of GEORGE E. MITCHELL, Deceased, were issued to CYNTHIA A. BRADBURY, who was appointed as Independent Executor on August 15, 2017, in Cause No. 17-0657-CP4, pending in the County Court at Law No. 4 of Williamson County, Texas. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the Executor within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the Executor, addressed as follows:

Executor, Estate of GEORGE E. MITCHELL, Deceased, c/o John W. Bickle, Attorney, 5353 Williams Drive, Suite 200, Georgetown, TX 78633.

**NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATES. VA LYNCIA RENE ELLISON WILDER**  
Notice is hereby given from the Office of General Executrix for the ESTATES. VA LYNCIA RENE ELLISON WILDER, who denies her infant estate and claims her age of majority. Property legally described LOT 41 BLOCK JJ SIENA PHASE 1 SECTION 22B is 100% paid in full showing a balance of \$0 with a closed account found on credit report after due diligence. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them. All claims against the property notify c/o VA LYNCIA RENE ELLISON WILDER, 8525 Reggio Street, Round Rock Texas [78665] or call 512-666-8089 within 72 hours. Dated this 14th day of August, 2017.

**Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code that Misu Sushi Inc., DBA Misu Sushi Inc., is making applica-**

**tion with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Wine and Beer Retailer's Permit to be located at 600 N. Austin Ave. STE 101 in the city of Georgetown, County of Williamson, Texas. Officers are Wen Pan and Thuan Pham.**

**INVITATION TO BID**  
Sealed bids will be received by the City of Georgetown in the Georgetown Municipal Complex, Purchasing Department, at 300-1 Industrial Avenue, Georgetown, Texas 78626 at September 19th, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. and immediately thereafter publicly opened and read, for constructing the following project:

**Airport Ground Storage Tank Rehabilitation Project Bid # 201743**

To obtain information on the bid and to register for the bid list, go to <http://purchasing.georgetown.org/bid-information/>

To whom it my concern, This is the 1st Notification to notify you that on 08/10/2017 @12:54pm was picked up a box Trailer black with LP# N/A and Vin# N/A @ 5000 N. Ih. 35 - S.B.Proper Round Rock Tx, on behalf of Round Rock Police. Charges will be 130.00 Towing, 20.00 Impound, 50.00 Notification and 20.00 Daily plus tax, total storage charges cannot be computed until the vehicle is claimed. If you are the owner or have info please contact us. A-Excellence wrecker at 512-634-7656 being stored @ 1510 Brandi Ln Round Rock TX 78681.

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
WILLIAMSON COUNTY  
INVITATION FOR BID**  
The Williamson County Commissioners Court invites the submission of Sealed IFB for:

**River Rd &**

**Old Windmill Rd**

Sealed IFBs, will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Williamson County Purchasing Office located at 901 South Austin Ave, Georgetown, Texas 78626 on September 5th, 2017 at 3:00PM. Bids must be received on or before 3:00PM, September 5th, 2017.

An Optional pre-BID conference is to be held August 29th, 2017 at 10:00AM at Department of Infrastructure, located at 3151 South East Inner Loop Georgetown, TX 78626. Bid documents can be viewed by visiting the Williamson County Purchasing BidSync Portal at [www.bidsync.com](http://www.bidsync.com) or by visiting the Williamson County Purchasing website at <http://www.wilco.org/CountyDepartments/Purchasing> and selecting the link "register for bids." There is no fee to register as a supplier or to participate in the County's solicitation process.

The Williamson County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept the lowest and/or best value Bid as

deemed by the Court, or reject any and/or all Bids. The receipt of electronic response to ids will be registered in Bidsync. The Time-Date Stamp Clock located at the Williamson County Purchasing Department will serve as the official clock for the purpose of verifying the date and time of receipt of paper responses. The designated Purchasing Agent for this IFB is Will Hutchinson, Purchasing Specialist III, under the direction of Randy Barker, Purchasing Agent for Williamson County, 512-943-1553. Issued by order of the Williamson County Commissioners Court on August 15th 2017, Dan A. Gattis, County Judge.

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
WILLIAMSON COUNTY  
INVITATION  
FOR PROPOSALS**  
Williamson County Commissioners Court invites the submission of sealed proposals:

**ELECTRONIC  
PAYMENT PROCESSING**  
Sealed Proposals for Landscape Maintenance for Williamson County Facilities will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Williamson County Purchasing Department, 901 South Austin Avenue, Georgetown, Texas Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at 2:00 PM. Proposals must be received on or before Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at 2:00 PM. Proposal documents may be viewed and responded to by registering with BIDSYNCR at [www.bidsync.com](http://www.bidsync.com). There is no fee to register with Bidsync as a Williamson County Supplier, or to participate in the County's solicitation process. The receipt of electronic proposals will be registered in Bidsync.

The Time-Date Stamp Clock located at the Williamson County Purchasing Department will serve as the official clock for the purpose of verifying the date and time of receipt of Paper proposals.

There will be a Pre-Proposal Online Conference (Attendance is optional and login information will be provided in an addendum through Bidsync) on August 17, 2017 at 2:00 PM provided by the Williamson County Purchasing Department, 901 South Austin Ave, Georgetown, TX 78626. The Williamson County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept the lowest and best proposal as deemed by the Court, or reject any and/or all proposals.

Any proposal may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of the proposal or authorized postponement thereof. Any proposal received after the time and date specified shall not be accepted.

The designated Purchasing Agent for this Proposal is Brenda Fuller, Senior Purchasing Coordinator, under the direction of Randy Barker, Purchasing Agent for Williamson County, 512-943-3553. Issued by order of the Williamson County Commissioners Court on August 8, 2017, Dan A. Gattis, County Judge

**CITATION  
BY PUBLICATION  
THE STATE OF TEXAS**

**COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF JOHN ERIK BOSTROM, DECEASED, Cause No. 17-0273-CP4, in County Court at Law #4 of Williamson County, 405 Martin Luther King Street, Georgetown, Texas 78626.**

**SHARRON DIANE MOSES,** Applicant in the above numbered and entitled estate, filed on the **23rd day of March, 2017 an APPLICATION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP** of the said estate and requests that the said Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of the said **JOHN ERIK BOSTROM, 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 Justice 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 filing a written answer contesting such application should they desire to do so. If this citation is not served 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 9th day of June, 2017.

Applicant's Attorney:  
Jeffrey J. Barnett  
11824 Jollyville Rd.  
Suite 500  
Austin, TX 78759  
Nancy E. Rister  
Williamson County Clerk  
405 MLK Street, Box 14  
Georgetown, Texas 78626  
By: **/S/Kelly Phillips, Deputy**

**Physician Notification**  
Effective September 4, 2017, Richard Schultz, MD will no longer be practicing at Baylor Scott and White Clinic-Round Rock 302 University. Orthopaedics Department. Call 800.725.2768 for information on obtaining a copy of your [your child's] medical records. Please be aware, there may be a cost to you for obtaining a copy of your medical records.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
CAUSE NO. 16-0769-CP4, Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Roger Haltom Sikes, Deceased, were issued on November 30, 2016, in Cause No. 16-0769-CP4, pending in the County Court No. 4, Williamson County, Texas to: Gary Haltom Sikes, Independent Executor. Claims may be presented in care of the Estate addressed as follows: Jeff Hansen, Hasten & Hansen, Attorneys at Law, 1101 N. Little School Road, Arlington, Texas 76017. 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. Gary Haltom Sikes, c/o Jeff Hansen, Hasten & Hansen, 1101 N. Little School Road, Arlington, Texas 76017.

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## WATER DISTRICT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX RATE

The Stonewall Ranch Municipal Utility District will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2017 on Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at 12:00 Noon C.D.T. at the offices of Hajjar Peters LLP, 3144 Bee Cave Rd., Austin, Texas 78746.

Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

**FOR** the proposal:

**AGAINST** the proposal:

**PRESENT** and not voting:

**ABSENT:**

Directors Hajjar, Wuest,

Carter and Neslund

None

None

Director Pharis

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year	This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.9015/\$100	\$0.9015/\$100
	Adopted	Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value		<b>\$0.0000/ \$100</b>
Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)		<b>0.00%</b>
Average appraised residence homestead value	<b>\$227,488</b>	<b>\$232,694</b>
General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	<b>\$8,885</b>	<b>\$8,654</b>
Average residence homestead taxable value	<b>\$218,603</b>	<b>\$224,040</b>
Tax on average residence homestead	<b>\$1,971</b>	<b>\$2,020</b>
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-)		<b>\$ 49</b>
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Public Notices

**PUBLIC NOTICE WILLIAMSON COUNTY REQUEST FOR COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS**

The Williamson County Commissioners Court invites the submission of Competitive Sealed Proposals for:

**River Ranch County Park Residence**

Competitive Sealed Proposals, will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Williamson County Purchasing Office located at 901 South Austin Ave, Georgetown, Texas 78626 on September 5, 2017 at 3:00 PM. Proposals must be received on or before 9/5/2017, 3:00 PM.

An OPTIONAL pre-proposal conference is to be held August 28, 2017 at 1:00 PM at River Ranch County Park, located at 1751 CR 282 Liberty Hill, TX.

Proposal documents can be viewed by visiting the Williamson County Purchasing BidSync Portal at www.bidsync.com or by visiting the Williamson County Purchasing website at http://www.wilco.org/CountyDepartments/Purchasing and selecting the link "register for bids." There is no fee to register as a supplier or to participate in the County's solicitation process.

The Williamson County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept the best value proposal as deemed by the Court, or reject any and/or all proposals.

The receipt of electronic response to proposals will be registered in BidSync. The Time-Date Stamp Clock located at the Williamson County Purchasing Department will serve as the official clock for the purpose of verifying the date and time of receipt of paper responses.

The designated Purchasing Agent for this RFCSP is Blake Skiles, Senior Purchasing Specialist, under the direction of Randy Barker, Purchasing Agent for Williamson County, 512-943-1478.

Issued by order of the Williamson County Commissioners Court on 8/15/2017, Dan A. Gattis, County Judge.

**NOTICE OF AMENDING DISTRICT OFFICES AND REGULAR MEETING**

**PLACES OF STONEWALL RANCH MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON TO THE RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS OF STONEWALL RANCH MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT AND TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SUCH DISTRICT:**

The Board of Directors of Stonewall Ranch Municipal Utility District has previously established offices for the District and regular meeting places for the Board pursuant to Section 49.062, Texas Water Code. The Board of Directors of Stonewall Ranch Municipal Utility District desires to amend offices and meeting places of the District.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Board of Directors of Stonewall Ranch Municipal Utility District establishes that:

District offices are hereby established at: (i) the offices of McLean & Howard, L.L.P., located at Barton Oaks Plaza, Building II, 901 South MoPac Expressway, Suite 225, Austin, Texas 78746; and (ii) the offices of Jones-Heroy & Associates, Inc., located at 13915 N. MoPac Expressway, Suite 408, Austin, Texas 78728. Said offices are hereby established for the purpose of opening bids for construction contracts and for the purpose of filing and maintaining the District's records.

Meeting places of the Board are hereby established at: (i) the offices of McLean & Howard, L.L.P., located at Barton Oaks Plaza, Building II, 901 South MoPac Expressway, Ste. 225, Austin, Texas 78746; (ii) the offices of Hajjar Sutherland & Peters LLP, located at 3144 Bee Caves Road, Austin, Texas 78746; (iii) the offices of Jones-Heroy & Associates, Inc., located at 13915 N. MoPac Expressway, Suite 408, Austin, Texas 78728, and (iv) the offices of Public Finance Group, LLC, located at 900 South Capital of Texas Highway, Building IV, Suite 475, Austin, Texas 78746, all of which are hereby declared to be public places and open to the public for purposes of the meetings.

The mailing address of the District shall be c/o McLean & Howard, L.L.P., located at Barton Oaks Plaza, Building II, 901 S. MoPac Express-

way, Suite 225, Austin, Texas 78746.

All residents and taxpayers of Stonewall Ranch Municipal Utility District and all other interested persons are hereby invited to attend all meetings of the Board of Directors.

/s/ THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF STONEWALL RANCH MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

**JOINT NOTICE OF SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON BY VIRTUE OF ORDERS OF SALE DATED the 4th day of August, 2017, and issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of Williamson County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in the hereinafter numbered and styled causes, and to me directed and delivered as Constable of said Court, I have on the 4th day of August, 2017, seized, levied upon, and will on the 5th day of September, 2017, at the NORTHEAST SIDE OF THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER ANNEX AT 4TH & MARTIN LUTHER KING, GEORGETOWN, TEXAS, at 3:45 p.m. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, as provided for by the TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.**

All of the following properties being located in Williamson County, Texas and each property being more particularly described on an instrument recorded in the Official Public Records, Williamson County, Texas. The approximate property addresses reflected herein are the addresses on the tax records and may or may not be completely accurate.

**CAUSE #:** STYLE: PROP DESCRIPTION, ADDRESS, ACCT #

**15-0595-T368.** The County of Williamson, Texas v NV American Premiere at Mason Creek, LP, 0.46 Acres, more or less, being Lot 4, Block Q, Woods at Mason Creek 2, Section 4, City of Leander, Williamson County, Texas (Instrument #2004034833 of the Plat Records, Williamson County, Texas), Sonny Drive, Leander, Texas 78641, Account #R456349.

This sale will be conducted to satisfy the judgment(s) for delinquent property taxes and

accrued penalties and interests due on the properties described herein, and for all costs of court and sale.

I do hereby verify that true and correct copies of the foregoing Joint Notice of Sale have been delivered by United States Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, and by regular mail, to each of the Defendants named in each of the numbered and styled causes.

DATED the 4th day of August, 2017, at Georgetown, Texas

KEVIN STOFFLE, Constable, Williamson County, Texas

You may contact the attorney for the taxing units at (512) 943-1645.

**CITY OF GEORGETOWN**

The City of Georgetown is accepting sealed proposals for the following project:

**RFP# 201747**

**Infor EAM Administrator and Support Services**

Proposals are due August 23, 2017. All sealed proposals are due 2:00 PM (CST) at the following address:

Georgetown Municipal Complex Purchasing Department 300-1 Industrial Ave. Georgetown, TX 78626

To obtain information on the request for proposals and to register for the bid list, go to https://gtowntx.ionwave.net/CurrentSourcingEvents.aspx

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