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Cowboy Capital Opry

Our Opry is always the 1st Tuesday of every month, benefiting Meals On Wheels.
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By Lisa Crawford

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THROUGH THE EYES OF A DRIVER By Mary Allyce

It's May, when we look forward to flowers "engendred" (according to Chaucer) by April showers. Lovely, wild verbena spread through my front yard. The inevitable thistles have sprouted and those not whacked off at the base have bloomed, adding more purple color to the landscape. Even my bluebonnets bloomed. April showers put a damper on the much ballyhooed eclipse of April 8th, but they rose to the occasion bringing forth May flowers.

For me, May is the month I can look forward to taking my two dogs to the vet for their annual inoculations. Meet my two furry heathens, Red and DC.

Red is a red tri-color Australian Shepherd for whom the world is filled with booger bears hiding in shadowy corners. Take my new car - and take it far away as far as Red was concerned the morning we headed to his vet appointment. He is six years old and has ridden in many cars and trucks, never happily, but he did ride all the way from Bandera to South Florida and back last year. Of course, that was in my previous car, and he did have a veterinary "chill pill" coursing through his system to take the edge off the horror of it all. The new car, however, was . . . new, different, therefore highly suspicious. It took fifteen minutes to coax him into the back seat because who knew what ghastly dangers lurked in this unfamiliar territory.

Inside, a nice receptionist tried to welcome him with a kind word and friendly pat. Nope! Red ascribes to the Dog Whisper's (Cesar Milan) mantra, "No touch. No Talk. No eye contact." It's not a bad rule of thumb when encountering any unfamiliar dog and Red considers all three "No's" unwelcome attention, stranger-danger. Before you assume Red's just an unpleasant dog person-

ality, he is not. He's a loving, playful companion, obedient and smart and eventually he warms to people, once he determines it's safe. He's just a little nuts and he's my little sixty-five pound nut.

I inherited DC, a seven year old Catahoula, my late partner Hoot's dog. When Hoot passed away, she became my dog, all seventy-plus pounds of her. She is a big, strong, supremely self-confident, joyful girl. She never met a stranger, loves everyone. She is the diametric opposite of her buddy, Red, but they are BFF's and they love each other. DC, which stands for "Dark Chocolate Drop", also adores riding in any vehicle, and to no surprise loves everyone at the vet office. As with people, they are proof opposites attract and are actually good for each other. DC gives Red courage in pseudo-scary situations, and he puts the cautionary brakes on her with truly scary things like porcupines and snakes.

In addition to their personalities, DC and Red are different in one other way. DC has a short, glossy, dark hair coat and Red sports a beautiful, fluffy red, tan, and white coat. Guess which one is harder to groom? In addition to an inherent distrust of brushes and combs (they do have teeth!) Red shares none of my need to have a clean, tangle free companion. What he and his coat do have is an attraction to the other blessings of May, beggar's lice and sticker burrs. If you have been in Texas long enough to experience a growing season you are familiar with these two unwelcome additions to the local flora. They stick to everything like Velcro ® and they love a fluffy dog coat.

So, I have to go. Red, the brush and comb, the beggar's lice and sticker burrs await, along with DC who will supervise and protect her pal. Have a beautiful May and enjoy your pets. You are their world.



What does May steep its tea in? Spring water.

What's May's favorite type of music? Heavy petal.

What's May's favorite type of investment? Seed funds.

Which month can never make up its mind? MAYbe.

How do you know May is happy? It has a spring in its step.

Why did May refuse to play cards with April? It was tired of dealing with April's showers.

What's May's favorite generation? Bloomers.

How does May keep its garden neat? With a lot of thyme and effort.

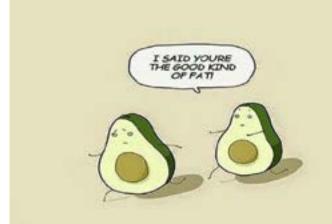
How does May write its emails? With lots of flowery language.

Why did May see a therapist? To talk about its growing sense of bloom.

What did October say to May? "Your flowers are nothing compared to my foliage."

What did December say to May? "Ever seen a Christmas tree bloom? Didn't think so."





Can February March?

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Mission: Lions serve. It's that simple, and it has been since we first began in 1917. Our clubs are places where individuals join together to give their valuable time and effort to improve the quality of life in Bandera County.

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HEY, WHAT'S HAPPENING?By Lisa Crawford (Activities Director)

I swear, the older I get, the faster time flies. April was gone in the blink of an eye. It seems the whole month revolved around the eclipse. Even though we had too much cloud cover where I was to see the eclipse, it was still so cool to watch our little part of the world go completely dark in the middle of the day. Absolutely incredible. Happy Eclipse was heard and said a lot.

Now that we are nearing the end of the milder temperatures, I won't be scheduling as many outdoor activities in the middle of the day. Let's hope and pray it's not too hot for the bus trips I have scheduled for this month. Ok, here we go!

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DRUG AND ALCOHOL AWARENESS DISCUSSION will take place in the dining room on Friday, May 17th at 1:30 p.m. The discussion will be lead by Valerie Negrete, BHS and the Hill Country Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse.

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As for now the Opry will continue as the show must go on. The Cowboy Capital Opry is held on the first Tuesday each month. The cost is \$10 per person and if you would like to reserve a seat you can pay in advance through me. Doors will open at 6:30 and music starts at 7:00. All proceeds benefit the Meals on Wheels program. Our special guest this month is Lee Winright. As always, we appreciate all our musicians as they donate their time and talents. Thank you for attending and your dedicated and continued support in this fundraising event.

BUS TRIPS: Thursday, May 2nd Mac & Ernie's Roadside Grill. The bus will leave the center at !0:30 a.m. Please sign up wheather you are meeting us there or riding the bus so I can give them an accurate head count.

Monday, May 6th **HEB** in Kerrville. The bus will leave the center at 12:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 8th **Mamacita's in Kerrville** for dinner and then on to the FREE Live Radio Show at the Rockbox Theater in Fredericksburg. The bus will leave the center at 3:45. The radio show starts at 7:00 and is over around 9:00. I expect we will be back to the center by 10:00 p.m. Please sign up so I know how many tickets we need and how many for dinner. Of course, you are always welcome to meet us just for dinner or just for the show. Please let me know if you are planning to do either so I will have an accurate head count.

WHAT'S HAPPENING CONTINUED...

Monday, May 13th **The Exotic Resort Zoo Tour in Johnson City.** The bus will leave the center at 8:00 a.m. sharp. This is NOT the San Antonio Zoo. This is a GUIDED TOUR through a wildlife zoo. Once we arrive we will purchase our tickets and load up on their trailers pulled behind a tractor for a tour of the property.

You are free to stand and feed the animals while the tour guide stops. Please use your best judgement in standing. There are camels, zebras, highlander cows, kangaroos, a giraffe, ostrich, llamas and much more. We have the option to purchase buckets of food for \$8 each to feed the animals. The animals will come up to the trailer to eat from your hand and you can even put a piece of food partially in and partially out of your mouth and let the camel take it from you. This is called KISSING THE CAMEL. I recently did this trip with my foster daughter and we had a blast. The cost of the tour for seniors is \$17.95 per person. After our time at the Exotic Resort Zoo we will stop at Woerner Warehouse Café & Catering in Fredericksburg for lunch. They serve soups, salads, personal pizzas, panini sandwiches, deli sandwiches and baked goods.

Thursday, May 30th **Texas Thrift in San Antonio, Cheddars Scratch Kitchen** for lunch and Goodwill Thrift in Helotes. Ready, Set, CHARGE!

SPECIAL EVENT: Thursday, May 16th we will have a pizza and a movie party. This will be for adults only please. The Pizza is being sponsored by Landon Ridge Assisted Living & Memory Care. Pizza will be served at 6:00 and the movie will start at 6:30 ish or when we have picked up our mess. Just like the last one you are welcome to bring a dessert to share. I will bring something but haven't decided what yet. You MUST sign up in advance by May 14th if you wish to attend so that they will know how many pizzas to order. Sign up sheet is in the entry room with the bus trip sign ups. The movie will be Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society.

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Viernes	3. Ensalada cremosa de pasta con macarrones con cangrejo, tomates y pepinos	10 Ensalada picante de tacos con chips de maíz, aderezo ranchero y Salsa picante	Antipasto italiano Ensalada De Pasta Con salami, peperoni, aceitunas, tomates, Mozzarella sobre una cama de verduras frescas	Ensalada Chef sobre una cama de Espinacas Baby con huevo duro y Aderezo ranch galletas saladas	31 Ensalada griega con pollo, pepinos, aceitunas, tomates, cebolla morada y queso feta.
Jueves	2. Costillitas BBQ Ensalada de papas Frijoles pintos	9 al horno sazonado Pechuga de pollo Papas con queso Mezcla de California Verduras	Espaguetis y albóndigas de la abuela Vegetales a elección del chef Pan de ajo	23 Chile tamaño Texas Perro Queso Frijoles Homeados	30 Taco Suave Tex Mex con Pimientos y Cebollas Arroz Mexicano Frijoles refritos
Miércoles	1. Carne Tradicional lasaña con Queso parmesano Calabacín calabaza palito de pan	8 Cerdo Jugoso Desmenuzado Sándwich con cebolla Maíz del suroeste	Ajo y Hierbas Lomo De Cerdo Con Costra Y Salsa Hierbas Asadas Papas	Jamón y queso picantes Sándwich Ensalada de col Papas fritas	29 Pollo Cremoso Cordon Bleu horneado Verduras Toscanas Panecillo
Martes	Menú sujeto a Cambiar según Disponibilidad	7 Stroganoff de ternera con Salsa de crema salada Fideos de huevo con mantequilla Brócoli/Fruta Fresca	Pastel de carne casero Puré de patatas y salsa Vegetales a elección del chef. Fruta fresca	Pollo Festivo Fajitas con Pimientos y cebollas en harina Tortilla Frijoles Borracha Postre elegido por el chef	28 Hamburguesa Jugosa con todo Los Fixin Tots crujientes Fruta fresca
Lunes	Area Agency	6 Pollo Tierno Tempura Arroz Blanco Al Vapor pegatinas	13 Palitos de pescado crujientes Guisantes y zanahorias Tator Tots Salsa Tarta	20 Filete De Pollo Frito Puré de patatas & Salsa campestre Judías verdes con ajo	Cerrado Joyce D. Lamilla, LD Licencia # DT81090 Empresa: Ben E. Keith
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Closed Joyce D. Lamilla, LD License # DT81090 Company: Ben E. Keith	Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes & Country Gravy Garlic Green Beans	Crunchy Fish Sticks Peas & Carrots Tator Tots Tarter Sauce	Tender Chicken Tempura Steamed White Rice Potstickers	Area Agency on Aging	Monday
Juicy Burger with all The Fixin's Crispy Tots Fresh Fruit	Festive Chicken Fajitas with Peppers & Onions in a Flour Tortilla Borracha Beans Chef Choice Dessert	Homestyle Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Chef Choice Veg. Fresh Fruit	7 Beef Stroganoff with Savory Cream sauce Buttered Egg Noodles Broccoli/Fresh Fruit	Menu Subject To Change According to Availability Anacoc Algre Area Council And Cor Government	Tuesday
29 Creamy Chicken Cordon Bleu Bake Tuscany Veggies Dinner Roll	Hot Ham and Cheese Sandwich Coleslaw Chips	Garlic and Herb Crusted Pork Loin with Gravy Herb Roasted Potatoes Tuscany Veggies	8 Juicy Shredded Pork Sandwich w/Onions Southwest Corn Chips	1. Traditional Meat Lasagna with Parmesan Cheese Zucchini & Squash Bread Stick	Wednesday
Tex Mex Soft Taco with Peppers and Onions Mexican Rice Refried Reans	Texas Sized Chili Cheese Dog Baked Beans	Grandma's Spaghetti and Meatballs Chef Choice Veg Garlic Bread	9 Baked Seasoned Chicken Breast Cheesy Potatoes California Blend Veggies	2. BBQ Baby Back Ribs Potato Salad Pinto Beans	Inursday
Greek Salad with Chicken, Cucumbers, Olives, Tomatoes, red Onion, Feta cheese.	Chef Salad on a bed of Baby Spinach with Hard Boiled Egg and Ranch Dressing Crackers	Italian Antipasto Pasta Salad with Salami, Pepperoni, Olives, Tomatoes, Mozzarella on a bed of fresh greens	Zesty Taco Salad with Corn Chips, Ranch Dressing, and Tangy Salsa	3. Creamy Macaroni pasta Salad with crab, tomatoes, and cucumbers Crackers	rnday

PROPERTY TAX INFORMATION WORKSHOP May 1 1:30 – 3:30pm Silver Sage

803 Buck Creek Road

Presented by Jana Herrera

Ceniza Ad Valorem Consultants, LLC (830) 688-9541

cenizapropertytax@gmail.com

Come join us and learn about property tax exemptions and tips on how to protest your property value before the May 15th deadline!

This workshop will cover exemptions that are available to homeowners as well as a presentation that will outline the property appeal process and how to prepare for it.

Attendees will have the opportunity to ask general questions, complete exemption forms and appeal letters.

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WHAT TO BRING:

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Don't miss out on these valuable programs! Join us at the Benefits Enrollment Center and take the first step toward a brighter future for you and your loved ones.

For more information/assistance, contact us at Silver Sage Hill Country Resource Center
803 Buck Creek Dr. Bandera, TX 78003 - (830) 850-0038
socialservicesinfo@silversage.org

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For more info, contact Lisa @ (830) 850-0028

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