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Locals celebrate 75th anniversary of Guam liberation

By **BRITTANY FHOLER**
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 Dancers with Baila Pacifica Entertainment performed for a crowd at the Chamorro Association of Central Texas' 75th Guam Liberation event held at Ogletree Gap Park Saturday.

The Chamorro Association of Central Texas celebrated the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Guam from Japan by the United States during World War II with a big event and potluck dinner at Ogletree Gap Park on Saturday.

The United States liberated Guam from Japan through the Second Battle of Guam, when the Marines landed on the island on July 21, 1944. The battle lasted until August 10, 1944.

The CACT has been celebrating the liberation in Central Texas since 1985, according to Vice President Bill Perez.

"We were not Americans, and now we are proud Americans," Perez said about the Liberation. "We thank God for America and we'd die

for America, and that's why we celebrate, because we're proud Americans, regardless of race, color, creed," Perez said.

Roy Fowler, Ambassador to the CACT, added that each year the event gets bigger.

"And if you walk around, you'll see it's not just Chamorro, it's not just white people, it's not just black people," Fowler said. "There's every race here today."

The theme of this year's event was about bridging the gap between the generations, with the event shirts bearing the phrase "manamko yan neni's."

"It means a lot because we want the younger people to step up and do what we've been doing,"

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Three file Monday morning for Copperas Cove city council

By **LYNETTE SOWELL**
 Cove Leader-Press

Filing for the Copperas Cove city council election is now open through Monday, August 19, and City Secretary Lisa Wilson received three applications as of Monday morning.

Filing officially began on Saturday for Copperas Cove city council elections, with places 3, 4 and 5 up for election.

Place 3 incumbent and mayor pro tem Dan Yancey filed to run again for the position he currently holds, with Place 4 incumbent Jay Manning also filing to run again.

Dianne Yoho Campbell filed on Monday for Place 5, presently held by Kirby Lack.

Applications for the ballot will be accepted through Aug. 19.

There is no fee to file to run for office, but there are forms which must be completed and submitted to the city secretary's office. The election packet is available online at the city secretary's

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DAN YANCEY



JAY MANNING



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Paige Behm with the CCHS class of 1971 and fellow alumni Rick Sexton, right, look at a framed photo that was part of the silent auction at the CCHS class of 1969's 50th reunion on Saturday night.

Class of '69 holds reunion, raises funds

By **LYNETTE SOWELL**
 Cove Leader-Press

The decorations used the letter "O" for the Bulldogs and the letterman jacket with a large "C" didn't look quite like the jackets worn by students today, but there was plenty of enthusiasm and conversation in the social hall at the Copperas Cove Moose Lodge on Saturday evening.

Copperas Cove alumni, family and friends gathered for the Copperas Cove High School class of 1969's 50th reunion.

Saturday evening's event also welcomed alumni from other years as well, with members of earlier and later classes also attending.

The occasion wasn't so much a blast from the past, but also a night to raise funds and give back on behalf of one of their own, Bob Gray, who lost his wife and daughter in a December 2018 shooting that left Gray's young grandson, Cord Fidler, fighting for his life and making a long road to recovery.

Alumni spent the first part of the evening eyeing and bidding on silent auction items that fellow alumni and local businesses had donated for the cause, such as iPads and gift baskets.

Class of 1969 alum Rick Sexton was one who helped spearhead Saturday's event and was thankful for those who showed up to reconnect, as well as those who donated items for the silent auction.

The farthest to travel was one alum who made it all the way from Salem, Va. She said she keeps in touch with other alumni and hasn't missed a single reunion since the class' first reunion.

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Boys & Girls Club breaks ground on new facility

By **BRITTANY FHOLER**
 Cove Leader-Press

The Boys and Girls Club of Copperas Cove will be getting a new permanent home on its own property, thanks to an anonymous donor of the land.

The organization held a groundbreaking ceremony for the three-acre lot at the corner of Laura Street and Robertson Avenue Thursday morning, with more than 30 people attending. Through a six-year plan, the lot will eventually house the club's permanent facility, gymnasium and more.

"We're here today to celebrate great futures," said Daniel Hall, the vice president of resource development for Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Texas.

The Boys and Girls Club of Copperas Cove has been around for 25 years and has never had a permanent home, he added.

"We've lived, survived through peaks and valleys through the generosity of community partners," Hall said.

Those community partners include Copperas Cove Independent School District, which has a contract with the club allowing the use of the two junior high schools for an after-school program, and previously had a contract allowing the use of the Fairview side of Fairview/Miss Jewell Elementary School. More recently, a newer commu-



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The Boys and Girls Club of Copperas Cove held a groundbreaking ceremony Thursday morning to celebrate the acquisition of three acres of land at the corner of Laura Street and Robertson Avenue, on which a permanent facility will be built.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

July 24

12 p.m., Copperas Cove Economic Development Corporation board meeting, 508 S. 2nd St.

July 25

4-7 p.m., Copperas Cove Farmer's Market, Copperas Cove City Park parking lot, 1206 W. Avenue B.

5:30 p.m., Copperas Cove Chamber of Commerce Mixer, BKCW Insurance, 2128 E. Business 190.

7:30-9:30 p.m., Float & Glow Night, City Park Pool, Copperas Cove City Park, 1206 W. Avenue B.

July 27

8-10 a.m., Pancake breakfast fundraiser, Keep Copperas Cove Beautiful, Applebee's.

9 a.m., Canned food drive for Copperas Cove Soup Kitchen, Christian Freedom Ministries, 340A Cove Terrace Shopping Center.

10 a.m., CCHS Cheerleaders Car Wash, Advance Auto Parts, 102 E. Highway 190.

10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Full STEAM Ahead family event, Wal-Mart, 2720 E. Business 190.

August 3

8 a.m.-Noon, School Supply Giveaway, Victory Baptist Church, 502 W. Business 190.

7-10 p.m., 4th Annual Vegas Night, Copperas Cove Buyer's Club, Copperas Cove Civic Center, 1206 W. Ave. B.

7:30 p.m., Dive-In Movie: Lilo & Stitch, City Park Pool.

NEWS BRIEFS

Copperas Cove Buyer's Club Vegas Night

Tickets are on sale now for the 4th annual Copperas Cove Buyer's Club Vegas Night, set for Saturday, August 3 from 7-11 p.m. at the Copperas Cove Civic Center, 1206 W. Ave. B, Copperas Cove. Tickets are \$40 per person, or a table of six for \$200, and include a taco bar, beer and margaritas, tea and lemonade, dessert table, along with starter poker chips to play games and win prize drawing tickets. There will be a DJ, silent auctions, bucket raffles, a 52-card gun raffle. Proceeds will go to Copperas Cove FFA and 4-H students competing at the Coryell County Youth Fair premium auction in January. Call 254-338-1917 or 254-681-2946 for tickets. Sponsorships also available.

Book Bag Drive

Christian Freedom Ministries is having its annual Book Bag/School Supply Drive for the Copperas Cove and surrounding area school districts on Saturday, August 3, at Dollar General locations in Copperas Cove, at 814 N. 1st St. and 2241 Cline Dr. Distribution of supplies will be done at Christian Freedom Ministries on August 14 after Bible study. The doors will open at 7:30 pm.

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Wild Things Zoofari comes to Copperas Cove library

By **BRITTANY FHOLER**
Cove Leader-Press

Kids and their parents enjoyed learning about different exotic animals during the Wild Things Zoofari program held Thursday afternoon as part of the Copperas Cove Public Library's Summer Reading program.

There were three opportunities to see the different animals, at 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. Tickets were required for the free event, and the 2 p.m. show reached maximum capacity earlier Thursday morning, while the 4 p.m. show saw more people entering as more animals were shown.

Wild Things Zoofari is owned by Courtney Pineda, who said she always wanted to work for a zoo. She worked for veterinarians for 10 years before changing to a more corporate job. She didn't enjoy that work, being stuck in a room instead of being outside, she said.

After buying her first lemur, coati mundi and kangaroo, she started looking around to try and share the information and animals with the public. She received information and worked on obtaining all the necessary licenses and permits and jumped in, she said.

"This started out as a hobby and now it's a full-time job," Pineda said.

Wild Things Zoofari travels around the state of Texas and offers educational programs like the one held at the library, as well as petting zoos.

"We're kind of like an outreach educational - libraries, birthday parties and school programs," Pineda said. "We just want the kids to be able to see a lot of the animals that they would see at the zoo up close but in a respectful way and have some fun with it as well, get some humor out of it to where they'll remember them next year, but also raise awareness of



CCLP/BRITTANY FHOLER
 Courtney Pineda, with Wild Things Zoofari, shows off a black and white ruffed lemur named Apollo at the Copperas Cove Public Library during a program held Thursday afternoon.

endangered animals and species like the skunk. You know, she's cute, but don't go pet the wildlife."

Pineda uses 30 animals in her educational programs but owns over 70 animals in all at her facility in Austin, she said.

During Thursday's event, Pineda brought out a three-banded armadillo, which she let walk around on the floor, a Caledonia Giant Gecko, a leashed baby Asian small-clawed otter, a black and white ruffed lemur

named Apollo, and a chocolate skunk.

Pineda shared facts about each animal, such as the fact that the Caledonia Giant Gecko is the largest species of gecko in the world. She selected a brave volunteer from the audience to hold the gecko, which jumped from the volunteer, who said his name was Grayson, to Pineda.

Before Pineda brought out the skunk, she gave the audience a hint as to what animal would be next, calling it a "country kitty", because they're

typically found in the country and eat all kinds of food, even cat food. Skunks require a license and special permits to own, she said. There are three kinds of skunks- lavender, chocolate and original, Pineda said. As she revealed the skunk, some people plugged their noses.

"There's no need to hold your nose unless you don't like the smell of chocolate," Pineda joked.

She invited two more volunteers up for a surprise. She asked the kids to tickle the skunk and make her spray. As the skunk was tickled, the audience got wet, but it wasn't from the skunk. Pineda held a water squirt bottle in her hand and had made it seem like it came from the skunk.

Casey Adams brought her son, Isaiah, 4, to the 2 p.m. show. His favorite animal was the gecko, he said.

"I think it's great. I love that he gets to learn a bunch of new stuff," Adams said.

Adams said they also came to the reptile show held last week at the library.

"I like that it's interactive," Adams said. "They get to touch them, they get to see them. We don't watch a lot of T.V. but when we do it's mostly like some sort of animal documentaries, so I like that they get to actually see them in person."

She added that she liked the fact that the program was at the library because they could go look at books afterwards.

"I like that it's screen free," Adams said.

The library's summer reading program continues Wednesday with a Domino's Pizza Teen Pizza Party for teens ages 11 to 15 at 2 p.m. and ends on Thursday with a Domino's Pizza Party for Level 3 Readers, for program participants who achieved all three levels of their summer reading goals.

Police Blotter

Here is the Copperas Cove Police Department activity for July 18 through July 21.

July 18

Arrested: Gardener, Barbara Ann: 300 block East Avenue E. Arrest warrant, assault causing bodily injury - family violence.

Burglary of a building: 200 block Liberty Bell Lane.

Burglary of a vehicle: 800 block Leonhard Street.

Accident: 1000 block West Business Highway 190.

Arrested: Madding, Clifford Brandon: 1400 block East Business Highway 190. Assist another agency (Coryell County Sheriff's Office) motion to revoke - burglary of building.

Theft 100-750: 800 block North 1st Street.

Found property: 200 block West Avenue A.

Arrested: Keay, Corinne Loera: 700 block Constitution Drive. Possession of a controlled substance pg1 >4 grams <200 grams, possession of controlled substance pg2, unlawful possession of firearm by felon.

Accident involving damage to a vehicle O/200: 2700 block East Business Highway 190.

Assist another agency (Killeen Police Department): 700 block Casa Circle.

Arrested: Yzaguirre, Arnoldo: 1400 block East Business Highway 190. Assist another agency (Austin Pardon and Parole Board) Parole violation.

Accident: 1300 block Virginia Avenue.

Arrested: Langi, Vasiti Hol-eva: 100 block West Avenue F. Copperas Cove Municipal Court capias x2, theft of property u/100 and driving while license invalid. Assist another agency (Bell County Sheriff's Office) probation violation, theft of property o/100 u/750.

Arrested: Peak, Kelci Renee: 2000 block West Highway 190.

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Driving while intoxicated. Assault with bodily injury-family violence, criminal mischief U/100: 500 block Lincoln Avenue. (No charges filed). Accident: 80 block Cove Terrace.

July 19

Accident: 300 block Skyline Drive.

Burglary of a vehicle: 400 block Williams Street.

Hinder secure creditor 2,500-30k: 300 block East Business Highway 190.

False report to police officer: 900 block Kelso Drive.

Welfare concern: 1000 block Cove Avenue.

72 hour parking: 1900 block Jesse Drive.

Theft 750-2,500: 500 block Meggs Street.

Runaway: 400 block Primrose Drive.

Arrested: Hill, Cody Allan: 1200 block Collins Avenue. Assist another agency (Temple Police Department) assault with bodily injury.

July 20

Safe keeping: 1300 block Georgetown Road.

Arrested: Dixon, William Jr: 1300 block Georgetown Road. Public intoxication.

Possession of drug paraphernalia: 1400 block East Business Highway 190.

Welfare concern, safe keeping, found property: 700 block Sunny Avenue.

General information: 300 block East Avenue E.

Sexual assault: 300 block East Avenue E.

Burglary of a building: 1000 block Park Avenue.

Theft 100-750: 800 block Cove Avenue.

Arrested: Espino, Oniel Alexander: Intersection Mary Street and Rose Avenue. Arrest warrant, continuous violence against the family. Arrest warrant, evading arrest/detention using vehicle.

Arrested: Smith-Walker, Sherry Michelle: 2600 block East Business Highway 190. Driving while license invalid with previous convictions.

Cruelty to non-livestock animals: fail to provide shelter: 100 block East Washington Avenue.

Assault by contact-family violence: 900 block South 15th Street.

Runaway return: 900 block South 15th Street. (One juvenile detained and released to parent).

Found property: 300 block East Avenue E.

Theft u/100, criminal mischief u/100: 500 block South 11th Street.

Open investigation, possession of drug paraphernalia, assist another agency (Lampasas County Sheriff's Office): 400 block Sunset Lane. (No charges filed).

Arrested: Colbert, Dion Cyrus: 400 block Sunset Lane. Copperas Cove Municipal Court warrant of arrest, possession of drug paraphernalia.

Arrested: Felan, Frankie Lee: 400 block Sunset Lane. Copperas Cove Municipal Court warrant of arrest, possession of drug paraphernalia.

Welfare concern: 1200 block West Avenue B.

Arrested: Dixon, Denise Annette: 300 block Sunset Lane. Arrest warrant, possession of controlled substance penalty group 1

u/1g.

Arrested: Mendez, Kanisha Antoinette: 300 block Sunset Lane. Copperas Cove Municipal Court warrant of arrest, x3 fail to display driver's license, expired registration, possession of drug paraphernalia

July 21

Arrested: Mayo, David Wesley: 600 block Sunset Lane. Copperas Cove Municipal Court warrant of arrest x3, driving while license invalid x2, fail to maintain financial responsibility.

Arrested: Henry, Brian Ray: 2100 block Jake Drive. Assault with bodily injury-family violence, interference with emergency phone call.

Attempted suicide, welfare concern, forced entry: 1200 block South 23rd Street.

Possession of drug paraphernalia: 200 block Bronc Drive.

Arrested: Ratts, Stephen Dennis: 200 block Bronc Drive. Possession of a controlled substance pg1 >4 grams <200 grams, x2.

Arrested: Patterson, Phillip Gene: 300 block East Avenue E. Copperas Cove Municipal Court warrant of arrest x9, driving while license invalid x4, fail to report change of address x2, speeding >10% above posted limit - 39 mph in a 30 mph zone, fail to display driver's license, expired registration. Assist another agency (Cory-

ell County Sheriff's Office) warrant of arrest x3, FTA - no liability insurance, FTA unsafe speed, FTA driving while license invalid.

Graffiti 100-750: 1300 block High Chaparral Park.

Criminal mischief 100-750: 1900 block Patricia Street.

Theft U/100: 2700 block East Business Highway 190.

Arrested: Cintron, Amado Fransico: 100 block Jason Drive.

Arrest warrant, aggravated assault with deadly weapon-family violence.

Criminal mischief 100-750, welfare concern: 2300 block Terrace Drive.

Unattended death: 600 block West Avenue B.

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Domino's hosts private party for Five Hills Royalty

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Jr. Miss Five Hills Naomi Williams carefully and precisely placed each ingredient on her pizza as she slid it down the wire rack and prepared it to go in to the oven.

Fort Hood's Domino's Pizza hosted the Copperas Cove Five Hills royalty for a private party for the fifth consecutive year. The restaurant opened early for the titleholders to make their own pizzas, selecting their own ingredients, watching their pizzas slowly cook as they rolled through the ovens, and then devouring them.

Tiny Miss Five Hills Isabella Cross was held by her grandparents, Helena and Isabella Cross, as she enjoyed the experience.

"Domino's has always played a part in my family," Helena Cross said. "We truly appreciate them for hosting our private party and making us feel a part of their family. Watching Isabella make her first pizza and eating it together is a memory we will forever cherish."

Domino's team members also gave the titleholders a walk through the kitchen, freezer, and storage section.

Ms. Five Hills Lorianne Valois and Baby Miss Five

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First Presbyterian holds Delightful Animals and Kids Day

By BRITTANY FHOLER Cove Leader-Press

The First Presbyterian Church in Copperas Cove held its annual Delightful Animals and Kids Day Thursday afternoon, with eight dogs of different breeds for kids to learn about.

There were four sessions held for different day-care centers in the area and the Boys and Girls Club. During each session, kids listened and asked questions to the dog owners and were able to pet each dog at the end.

Pastor Naomi Ingram said the event was the church's alternative to Vacation Bible School.

"In lieu of Bible School, we wanted to touch a lot of children and we brainstormed, and we thought, 'How do we touch community children with the resources we have?'" Ingram said. "We came up with the idea of teaching them about caring for God's creatures, and why wouldn't it be okay to bring in some speakers and bring in all of the children and do it on a rotational basis?"

The first year saw 180 children, she said. Since then, a few of the local day care centers have closed down so numbers have changed, but they still reach out to local children.

"It requires not an awful lot of people support on our end but yet we touch an awful lot of children with a single message of caring for God's creatures," Ingram added.

The event has become highly successful and Ingram said she doesn't see the church going back to

the typical Vacation Bible School program.

"It's just such an interesting event, and they remember it," she said.

Previous years saw presentations from Texas Humane Heroes and Patriot Paws. Last year, Pet Supplies Plus brought a variety of animals to the event including arachnids, reptiles, and snakes, while Carole Zieris brought in Tibetan Spaniel puppies and Bridget, a Havanese AKC champion, to show off tricks for the kids.

This year, Zieris returned with Bailey and Cali, both of the Havanese breed, and a Tibetan Spaniel named Ketu, who was named the #1 Tibetan Spaniel in 2015, as well as an unnamed puppy. Zieris gave kids had the opportunity to write down name suggestions for the puppy and shared information about both breeds and how to care for the dogs.

Other dog owners at the event included Alan White, with WhiteHaven Canine Evaluators; Sarah Rock, with Sit Means Sit Dog Training in Belton; and Rebekah Reed and Shawn Jacobs with Off Leash K9 Training.

White showed off his service dog, Szva, a sable German Shepherd, who helps him with anxiety and is in training to learn how to detect blood sugar changes due to diabetes.

"Back in April, she saved my life when I didn't even know I was a diabetic," White told the crowd of children from Handprints Academy Thursday afternoon. "She can smell the changes in the blood sugar coming through my pores.



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Shawn Jacobs and Rebekah Reed of Off Leash K9 Training shares information about their dogs, Finn the Pointer mix and Sasha the German Shepherd, with kids from Handprints Academy during the First Presbyterian Church's annual Delightful Animal and Kids Day held Thursday.

She was able to wake me up so I could get to the phone and call the ambulance to get to the hospital."

White shared information about the German Shepherd breed and about

service dogs in general. He especially cautioned the children about how they need to ask for permission before petting a service dog. When the children lined up to pet each dog, White took

Szva's Service Dog vest off, showing that she was temporarily "off-duty" and could be petted.

Sarah Rock shared information about her pit bull terrier mix, Leela, who is a certified therapy dog and Rock's personal companion. Leela also performed some tricks and showed off her listening skills by staying on her bed while Rock spoke.

Before the event started, Rock explained more about what Sit Means Sit Dog Training offers, which is specialized obedience and general obedience. They work with aggressive dogs and dogs with high anxiety and hold classes in Waco, Belton and will be holding classes in Killeen soon.

As a therapy dog, Leela goes to career days at elementary schools. This year was Rock and Leela's first time at the church's event, but Rock said it allowed her to clear up any misconceptions and stereotypes about Leela's breed.

"Especially with her being a therapy dog, I get to take her around and go

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page of the city website, www.copperascovetx.gov/city_secretary and then under "Election Filing Information."

Applications can be dropped off at the city secretary's office Monday through Friday during regular business hours, or may be mailed to: The City of Copperas Cove, Attn: Lisa Wilson, City Secretary, P.O. Drawer 1449, Copperas Cove, TX 76522.

For the Copperas Cove Independent School District board of trustees, Places 3, 4, and 5 are up for election. Place 3 is currently held by Mike Wilburn, Place 4 is currently held by Joan Manning and Place 5 is currently held by Bob Weiss. School board positions are three-year terms. All Copperas Cove ISD residents registered to vote may run for office.

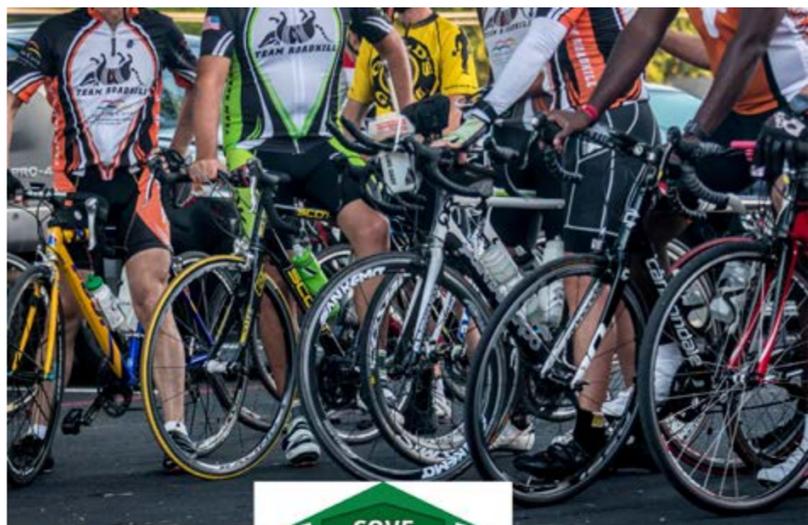
The first day to file for a place on the

ballot was Saturday. The deadline to file to run for office is Monday, August 19, at 5 p.m. at the district's administration building, at 408 S. Main St.

Election packets are available to pick up at Copperas Cove ISD administration during regular hours.

Packets may be picked up through July 19, Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m. to noon. Starting Monday, July 22 and through Friday, August 16, packets may be picked up from 7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., and on August 19, from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For additional election information, accommodations for visual impairment, or assistance in completing forms for the CCISD election, please contact Teresa Dennison, CCISD Elections Officer, at 254-547-1227 or teresa@ccisd.com.



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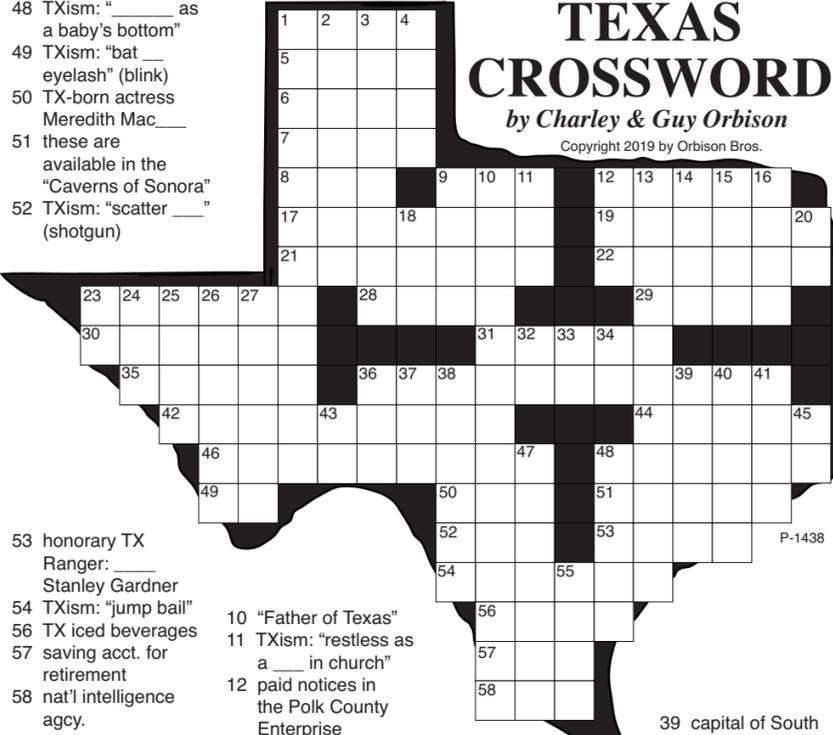
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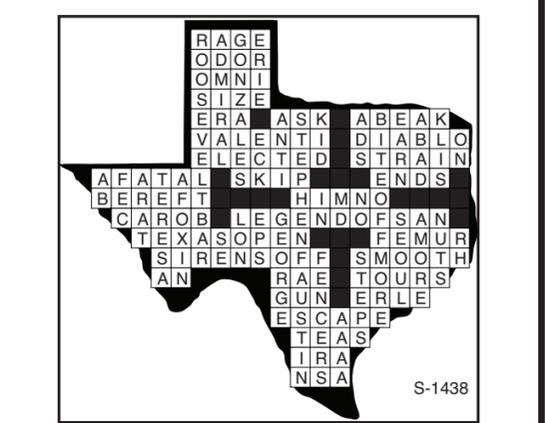
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Genie in a Bottle

Sometimes, I long for a dull life. Just a simple, peaceful life where there are no daily crises, no high-drama moments, and no stories to tell. Oh, the bliss. Just a bland, grey life filled with nothing but yawns and cozy cat-stretches . . . this is the existence of my dreams.

My real life, most days, is too far-fetched for even Hollywood to produce. Like the time when my daughter bought a bottle of Sprite while I was getting gas.

The drama started when, about ten miles down the road, she dropped the Sprite bottle lid and it rolled under the seat somewhere. She spent a minute or two looking for it before giving up. Okay, no real drama yet, but just hang with me.

We got home, unloaded the car, and forgot all about the capless bottle of Sprite in the car. Until the next day, that is.

We had some errands to run. We'd just pulled into a front row space at Staples, when my daughter squealed, "Mom! There's a frog in my Sprite bottle!"

Sure enough, a creature peered at me from inside her half-empty soda container. Only, it wasn't a frog. It looked like some kind of drenched alien space being, paddling



Renae Brumbaugh Green
— Coffee Talk —

think so.

Her: Over there, in the grass!

Me: It's your bottle. You do it.

Her: Ew! Mom, no. (Screams again.) Mom, please. Do something!

Now, in front of Staples there was a table set up with a sign that read Jesus Saves or something like that, and behind that table sat a man who looked very much like he was enjoying the show.

I took the Sprite bottle and walked it to the garbage can, which happened to be right next to the Jesus man. I figured the mouse would spill out into the trash and have a smorgasbord of popcorn and candy bar rem-

nants, like Templeton from Charlotte's Web. "There's a mouse in here," I explained to the Jesus man, as if that were the most logical thing in the world I could say.

"Aren't you gonna set it free?" he asked, grinning like this was the most action he'd seen all day.

"Be my guest," I said.

That's when his friend exited the store and sat down next to him, behind the table. Now, this friend was about eight feet tall, had a beard, and reminded me a little bit of Goliath, only friendlier. I gestured to the bottle, which was upright on top of the jam-packed trashcan. "There's a mouse in that Sprite."

"Aren't you gonna let it out?" Goliath asked.

"Go right ahead," I told him. "I'm not touching it."

Girl-child and I entered Staples as if nothing out-of-the-ordinary had just happened. The sad thing is that for our family, this really wasn't that big of a stretch.

We made our purchase and left the store. "Did you let him out?" I asked the Jesus-men.

"Yep," Goliath said. "He's one of God's creatures, too."

"That may be, but he was trespassing," I replied, and they laughed. I wasn't trying to be funny.

Now here's the thing. Once in the bottle, it would have been nearly impossible for that mouse to escape without help. Not entirely impossible, mind you . . . but it was a lot

easier with assistance from the Goliath-man. It reminded me of the Bible verse that says it's easier for a camel to get through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to get into heaven.

In biblical times, the Eye of the Needle was a low portal in the city wall. Anyone entering or leaving the city had to go through that gate. Merchants who wanted to enter with a loaded-down camel had a hard time of it; the camel had to be stripped of all its extra baggage. Then it had to kneel down and crawl through on its knees. It was possible, but difficult.

In other words, the camel had to humble himself, if he wanted to get into the city. And the rich man (meaning pretty much anybody here in the U.S.) has to humble himself if we want to become who God wants us to be. I can't speak for anybody else, but humbling myself has never come easy for me. I was taught to hold my head high and have pride in who I am . . . and yet if I want to live out God's purpose for my life, I have to strip myself of my extra baggage, kneel down, and crawl.

But like the Jesus-giant helped that mouse the other day, the Holy Spirit helps us. Who'd have thought a drenched rodent could help deliver such a powerful message.

I guess you could call it a mouse-age in a bottle.

"Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God," Matthew 19:24.

Playing nice

Robert Fulghum wrote a piece some years ago titled "Everything I needed to know I learned in kindergarten." It's short but pithy, full of life lessons that we've been taught from an early age. Gems like sharing, playing fair, saying you're sorry when you hurt somebody.

Sometimes, we think that once we've grown up, those lessons no longer apply to us. We're mature, we're "above" childish stories that are basic life skills.

But these childish reminders still serve us well in our grownup interactions, as we rub shoulders in our various groups.

We like to draw circles. "Our group is here, and your group is there." That works to keep things organized.

When those unseen, unwritten lines pull us apart, that's not good. Even in small spaces, lines can create big distances.

People start thinking "my group is the only one that matters or does anything around here." Then little grudges pop up because we don't feel appreciated or worse, someone else stole our thunder.

Really, aren't there enough problems in the world that we can solve together? Maybe it's time to pull up that old childhood adage to play nice.

If there's one cranky child in every sandbox, they'll learn fast that no one wants to play with a grouch.

No one wants to play with a bully, either. Bullies think it's their way or the proverbial highway. That doesn't sound much like cooperation. Maybe our children have learned bad habits from us, steamrolling our opinion and agenda over everyone else's.

Learning to work together can bring out the best and the worst in us. We quickly learn which battles are worth fighting and which battles are merely deciding what color the tablecloths should be for the community (insert group name here) dinner. It really doesn't matter in the grand scheme of things.

Outsiders come, and that's a good thing. Growth is beautiful. Growth means we're not stagnated. But when someone's a guest at our family dinner for the first time, they're quick to pick up on any weird family vibes in the air. They can see who doesn't like each other, who's the pet, who's the helper in the background, always working to make everyone's experience a pleasant one. Some guests and outsiders will stay that way, or won't come back if they don't see people getting along. I hope we can learn to. Sometimes it's swallowing our pride and rolling up our sleeves to ask, "How can I help?"

Like Fulghum said, "When you go out in the world, watch out for traffic, hold hands and stick together."



Lynette Sowell
— My Front Porch —

One letter changes the entire word

Victory and defeat are many times so very close in proximity. One play can make the difference at the end of the game. One decision can spell victory or defeat.

I was fortunate to have played in high school and college under some great men. These men were proficient in one-line statements and served as great motivators. I still remember many of their sayings. They were great mentors.

My high school coaches were excellent. Bill Freeman (Osawatomie, Kansas) won numerous state championships and has been voted into the Kansas Sports Hall of Fame. Gayle Miller (Bridgeport, Texas) was highly revered and very successful.

My college coach was legendary Sam Sample. I played for him at Sterling College and Taylor University. He went on to coach at Colorado and Northern Illinois.

Coach Sample had a favorite saying that encourages me to this very day. He



Jack Welch

— From the Bleachers —

he would tell us is the letter i is not in the word team unlike the letter e. Just one little letter makes all the difference in the world. When the focus is on helping others then things usually get better.

It is understanding that attitude is everything about a person. Our attitude determines our view of what happens in our lives. Losing a job can be one of the best things for a person because it causes a job change. The change might be the best

thing to ever happen to a person's career.

Take Coach Kliff Kingsbury as an example. He served as head coach of his alma mater, Texas Tech University, from 2013 to 2018. Before the 2018 season was over, TTU fired him. In just a couple months after being released as the Raiders' head coach, he was hired twice. He became the offensive coordinator for USC and then was named the head coach of the Arizona Cardinals of the National Football League (NFL).

Kingsbury had difficulty winning games at Texas Tech. He posted a 35-40 record. His teams were offensive powers scoring at least 35 points per game in four of his six seasons. His losing record as a college coach did not keep USC and the NFL from coming after him though.

We can learn from victory and defeat. It is our attitude in how we respond to the obstacles in our life that will determine if we get bitter or better from negative experiences. Attitude is everything.

Thought for the week, "Obstacles are what you see when you take your eyes off the goal." Author unknown.

Dr. Jack Welch has been a college and high school football coach for 38 years. He can be reached at jackwelch1975@gmail.com.

Horror -> What I *Don't* Like

I know that I've said I'm getting disappointed in "modern" horror movies, such that I'm looking at taking a break from them for a while.

After thinking about it, I figure I owe it to everyone to explain just what it is I'm not keen on with horror movies (this column) and some examples of what I *do* like in horror (next column). Now, I'm going to be frank about some things, so if that's not your thing then now might be a good time to check out the crossword feature.

Still with me? OK.

I'm going to start with my biggest disappointment, and that's "gore for the sake of gore". I'm not personally sure at what point it started to happen, but somewhere along the way too many writers and directors got the notion that *all* horror films needed to be as violent and graphic as dedicated "slasher" films. And quite frankly, I've seen far too many horror movies where the graphic content was the be-all, end-all, with the plot being little more than a means to deliver it.

Folks, if I want to see gore, I just have to go back into my own head. No, I'm not joking. Back in 1992, I literally vomited blood. As if that wasn't bad enough, when the doctors went to pump my stomach out after that, they put the catch basin right on my lap. To be brutally honest Hollywood, not one of the

horror movies I've seen in my time as a reviewer, whether new films or "retro" jobs, has been able to top what I saw that day.

And please don't take this as a challenge; I'm saying this because I want you to remember that there's so much more to the genre than just blood and guts. I mean, look at how *little* blood there was in Hitchcock, and yet he's still remembered as a master of the genre decades after his death. Maybe it's time Hitchcock, Serling, and those other bygone greats get more than just lip service.

Another thing that disappoints me with horror is how often "adult" content keeps getting shoved into horror films, even when nothing in the film itself would justify it. Long-time readers will recall, for example, how the ham-fisted efforts to include extended scenes of nudity were a big part of why I absolutely tanked "Shut In" as a film. Or there was "Don't Breathe", where the film's whole big shocking swerve *was* premised on* something very, very



Darren Blair
— Shop the Insanity —

heinous.

I go to see horror movies because I want thrills and chills, Hollywood, not "adult" content. If anything, with films like "Shut In" the ham-fisted handling of it only detracts from what the film has to offer. Again, look at Hitchcock and what he *didn't* show on screen.

Issue number three, believe it or not, is cursing. Yes, I know that since most horror films are R-rated to begin with, some writers and directors feel that there's no point in holding back on the language. But there's a big difference between, say, a film like "Deadpool" (the title character's swearing habit is yet another area where he fails at being a "traditional" hero) and a film like the "Hellboy" reboot ("Let's have everyone cuss to show how edgy we are!").

This is just the tip of the iceberg of what irritates me when it comes to more modern horror, but I'm hitting word count so I'll go ahead and end it here. Hollywood, please try to do better. For everyone.

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Copperas Cove Buyer's Club holding 4th annual Vegas Night

By **LYNETTE SOWELL**
Cove Leader-Press

The Copperas Cove Buyer's Club is preparing for the group's 4th annual Vegas Night, to be held on Saturday, August 3 at the Copperas Cove Civic Center, from 7-11 p.m.

The event is the largest annual fundraiser for the group, with proceeds going to the Copperas Cove FFA and 4-H students whose entries advance to the premium auction on the final evening of the Coryell County Youth Fair, held annually each January.

Students spend their time leading up to the fair by caring for their livestock, whether that be sheep, swine, goats, rabbits, and poultry, or perfecting their home economics entries like peanut brittle, jams and jellies, pickles, and even decorated cakes. Students also prepare entries in photography, art, textiles, woodworking, and metal work.

Only the top scoring and awarded entries get to compete for bids in the annual auction, and the Cop-



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The Copperas Cove Buyer's Club 4th annual Vegas Night is set for Saturday, August 10, from 7-11 p.m. at the Copperas Cove Civic Center. Tickets are on sale now.

peras Cove Buyer's Club members head to the auction to bid on the winning items.

The students get to keep the money, with some using it as "seed" money for the following year. Or, in the case of graduating seniors, they have that money for college.

There are dozens of students in the Copperas Cove FFA and 4-H club, with siblings Matthew, Isabel, and

Zachary Petty among the ones whose entries have qualified for the annual auction in the past. This is her family's fourth year they are participating.

"Over the years my kids have earned two Breed champion awards for their English Angora rabbits, two Grand Champion awards for their projects in baking and textiles, and numerous first, second and third place awards for various other

projects," Petty said.

Matthew Petty, entering 10th grade, won with his bread. Night after night, he practiced after school, and by the morning of the competition he finally baked a loaf he felt was worthy to present. "The look of humility and happiness on his face when he walked in to see a huge purple ribbon on his loaf was worthy of being presented," Petty said.

With his bread being

auctioned off at the premium auction, Matthew reaped the financial benefits of winning.

"I've gone to auction twice and always save my money so I can buy my animals things they need. I used some of my money from this year to go to driver's ed. Sometimes I have to go and get supplies for my animals and now I can do that without having to have my mom do all the driving. I was happy that I could pay for it on my own."

Younger brother, Zachary, is entering the 7th grade and talked about how the kids put their money to use.

"We use the money we get to buy new equipment, take care of our animals, and buy things to practice building and painting," said Zachary, who has won awards for his artwork as well.

Isabel, 14, is entering the 9th grade and hopes the Vegas night is a success.

"It's important for people to come out to things like Vegas Night so that they can help support the kids who are active in the youth fair," said Isabel, whose won.

"It's always exciting after we go to auction because I get to meet the people who bid on my project and say thank you. It's a big deal as a teenager to be able to have the money to use on projects because if I win I know I've earned it by working hard."

Vegas night tickets are \$40 per person or \$200 for a table of six. Tickets include admission, starter chips for the gambling tables, where attendees can try their luck at roulette, poker, blackjack, and more. Winning chips then can be cashed in for prize tickets for bucket drawings, where a variety of items to include gift baskets, etc. can be won.

During the evening, the winning ticket will be drawn for a folding Glock 9 mm pistol, with only 100 tickets being sold at \$25 apiece, with winner not needing to be present. There will also be a 52-card drawing for another gun, with those cards being sold at \$20 each the night of the event.

Those interested in purchasing individual tickets or a table should call 254-338-1917 or 254-681-2946.

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over, "This is a typical pit bull," Rock said. "She loves kids, she loves other dogs, she loves to play. She gets so excited when we take her to schools and stuff because all she wants to do is interact with the kids. That's one reason I got her into being a certified therapy dog is so she can do stuff like that, and we can go around."

Rock said that there aren't many other pit bulls in their therapy program.

"So, it definitely helps spread the word that they can be good companion dogs and good with kids and other dogs, so that it will help enlighten people that have that fear just based on their history," Rock added.

Reed and Jacobs talked about each of their dogs, Finn, a Pointer mix, and Sasha, a German Shepherd. Finn and Sasha are both therapy dogs and visit schools, nursing homes and hospitals, "to help lighten the days of people who might be in there," Reed said.

"We do a lot of education so we do a lot of things like this," Reed added. "Just trying to educate children on how to socialize with dogs and interact with dogs that they don't know, and breed awareness as well."

Off Leash K9 Training specializes in high-level obedience and does anything from basic level obedience to therapy dog training. They also do detection work, Reed said.

Reed and Jacobs shared information about their dogs' breeds and had them show off tricks. Sasha wore goggles while Finn wore little shoes, and both welcomed pets at the end of the session.

Copperas Cove Soup kitchen's fence gets facelift

By **BRITTANY FHOLER**
Cove Leader-Press

The fence line at the new location of the Copperas Cove Soup Kitchen received a facelift Friday afternoon thanks to Junior Miss Five Hills Hayley Sawyer and other members of the Five Hills Scholarship Pageant royalty.

Sawyer's platform is about helping the homeless, "Hayley Helps the Homeless", and she has been busy keeping true to her promise. As Junior Miss Five Hills, Sawyer has participated with her fellow royalty in the Stomp Out Homelessness 5K Run/Walk sponsored by the Refuge Corporation earlier this summer as well as holding collection drives to benefit the Copperas Cove Soup Kitchen and the former residents of the Killeen homeless shelter operated by



CCLP/BRITTANY FHOLER

Members of the Five Hills Royalty breathe new life into the fence at the Copperas Cove Soup Kitchen Friday afternoon as they paint letters and grass on the white background.

Friends in Crisis. The two drives collected a total of 18 shopping carts worth of goods for those in need.

Sawyer also took over organizing the 4th annual CCISD Laundry Day, where volunteers collected all of the lost and found items left behind at the end of the school year and washed them at Wells Laundry. More than 2,000 pounds of laundry were washed, dried and folded. Representatives from Communities in Schools collected some of the clothes for the next school year and any extra items were donated to the Optimist Thrift Store.

During National Lemonade Day, Sawyer earned enough money to donate \$750 to the Copperas Cove Soup Kitchen.

She also worked with Walmart to get 30 bags of mulch donated to plant gardens at the Soup Kitchen.

As she and Volunteer

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Cove House Classic Bike Tour

The Cove House Emergency Homeless Shelter, Inc. (Cove House) is now accepting registrations for the Cove House Classic Bike Tour, set for Saturday, August 10, at 7:30 a.m., at First Baptist Church, 300 W. Avenue B, with same-day registration starting at 6 a.m. The fee is \$30 for a single rider, \$40 for tandem riders, with the cost increasing to \$35 and \$50 after August 8. Distances include 26, 42, 50, and 63 miles. Register online at https://www.active.com/copperas-cove-tx/cycling/cove-house-classic-bike-tour-2019?fbclid=IwAR3epfoGiFrKxyY70UEi_ED-DyYeTOY0puo7VEEeahBOV2djw7D1PByRvtg. Sponsorships are also available at \$10,000 (Angel Level), \$5,000 (Double Diamond Level), \$2,500 (Diamond Level), \$1,000 (Platinum Level), \$500 (Gold Level), \$200 (Silver Level), \$100 (Bronze Level).

November 5 general election

Copperas Cove City Council positions 3, 4 and 5 will expire later this year and any citizen wishing to run for one of the positions must file an application with the City Secretary's Office between July 20 and August 19. The General Election is scheduled for

Tuesday, November 5. Candidate packets can be found online at the city's website at http://www.copperascovetx.gov/city_secretary/election_information/ or at the City Secretary's Office, located at City Hall, 914 S. Main St., Suite D.

Food Truck 5K & Food Truck Festival

Copperas Cove Parks & Recreation and the Tourism Department is holding the inaugural Food Truck 5K on Saturday, August 24. The event will begin at 8 a.m. at the Copperas Cove Civic Center, located at 1206 W Avenue B. A portion of the proceeds for this event will benefit the Copperas Cove Youth Advisory Council. Entry fee is \$35 and participants should register at: <https://redemption.raceentry.com/races/copperas-cove-food-truck-5k/2019/register>.

Registration closes at midnight on August 21 and there will be no same-day registration for this event. Race bag pick up will be on race day and includes a t-shirt, parking pass for the Food Truck Festival, one beer voucher (21+) and much more. T-shirts will not be guaranteed for anyone registering after August 9. The 3rd annual Copperas Cove Food Truck Festival will be held 5-11 p.m. in City Park and include food trucks and competition, beer and wine tents, live music, pop up farmer's

market, yard games, kid zone and more. Entry is \$5 per car load. For more information on how to become a sponsor for this event or to reserve a spot as a vendor, contact Tourism Coordinator Brianna McGuine at bmguine@copperascovetx.gov or (254)542-2719.

KCCB Vacancies

The City of Copperas Cove is accepting applications to fill positions on the Keep Copperas Cove Beautiful Commission. The purpose of the City Council Appointed Advisory

Body is to develop and recommend policies related to litter prevention, beautification, and community improvement. The advisory body consists of fifteen members, appointed to three-year terms each, and meets monthly on the first Monday. Applications are available at 914 S. Main St., Suite D, or on the City website, www.copperascovetx.gov under "Forms and Applications". The position vacancies will be advertised through July 13. Completed applications must be submitted to the office of the City Secretary by the submittal deadline, July 23, at 5 p.m., for

consideration. For further information please contact City Secretary Lisa Wilson at lwilson@copperascovetx.gov or (254)547-4221.

Board of Adjustment

The City of Copperas Cove is accepting applications to fill a position on the Board of Adjustment. The City Council Appointed Advisory Body is a quasi-judicial board which serves as an appeal body for individuals seeking variances to the zoning ordinance or to a decision made by an administrative official enforcing the

ordinance. The board consists of five members, appointed to two-year terms, and meets monthly on the second Thursday. Applications are available at 914 S. Main St., Suite D, or on the City website, www.copperascovetx.gov under "Forms and Applications". The position vacancy will be advertised through July 26. Completed applications must be submitted to the office of the City Secretary by the submittal deadline, August 5, at 5 p.m., for consideration. For further information please contact City Secretary Lisa Wilson at lwilson@copperascovetx.gov or (254)547-4221.

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Application has been made With The Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for A Wine and Beer Retailer's Off-Premise Permit by Four Friends Business LLC dba Mickey's #12 to be located at 2101 Hwy 190 East, Copperas Cove, Coryell Co., Texas. Managing Members of said LLC are Nasruddin Mahesania - Managing Member, Karim Maknojia - Managing Member, Abujarali Maknojia - Managing Member & Shaukat Mahesania - Managing Member.

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TABC

Application has been made With The Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for A Wine and Beer Retailer's Off-Premise Permit by Four Friends Business LLC dba Mickey's #16 to be located at 1306 Georgetown Road, Copperas Cove, Coryell Co., Texas. Managing Members of said LLC are Nasruddin Mahesania - Managing Member, Karim Maknojia - Managing Member, Abujarali Maknojia - Managing Member & Shaukat Mahesania - Managing Member.

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nity partner includes Fairview Community Church, which opened its doors after the club was no longer able to utilize the elementary school; Cove Meadows Management Corporation; and the Exchange Club.

Currently, there are more than 725 members involved in the organization, with the Fairview Community Church site serving at least 140 youth per day, Hall said.

"Candidly, I struggle to define what we do quite often and it's because we do so much," Hall told the crowd. "We do whatever it takes to provide these kids a great future."

Hall revealed the preliminary site plan which shows that by the end of 2019, the goal is to have two 125-foot by 75-foot portable buildings to act as the club facilities temporarily

as well as building parking, a playground and fencing in a portion of the land.

To accomplish this, the organization needs to raise \$100,000 by the end of this fall. Hall shared that \$75,000 has already been committed.

Phase 2 involves adding a 4,000 square-foot gymnasium and teen center by the end of 2021, to the tune of an estimated \$700,000.

"That will be a monumental development for our Copperas Cove club because currently we do not have a dedicated space or the dedicated staff to provide a teen program," Hall said.

Teens are the ones that need the club's services the most, he added.

The organization hopes to have a target date of 2025 for the opening of the actual permanent club facility,

which will be modeled after the Boys and Girls Club of Gatesville.

Khrystal Westeen, the Unit Director for the BGCTX, said it was hard to describe what a new permanent facility means.

"It's an amazing feeling," Westeen said. "It means we'll have somewhere that's ours."

The site she oversees at the Fairview Community Church has an average daily attendance of 100 to 125 kids, with 325 registered members. With this permanent home, the organization will be able to help more youth, Westeen said.

"It's just been a long time and much needed," she added.

Copperas Cove Mayor Bradi Diaz addressed the crowd before youth with the Boys and Girls Club joined board members and em-

ployees in shoveling dirt as part of the ceremony.

"We are so very excited for this day," Diaz said about the city officials and staff. "It's a good day for Copperas Cove. It's a good

Facelift - From Page 5A

Pageant Director Wendy Sledd searched for more ways to help the homeless, the Soup Kitchen gave them a list of things they needed done, including a paint job on the fence of their new location at 501 N. Main St.

Sawyer drew up a picture of how she wanted the mural to look and with the help of Teen Miss Five Hills Mary Rohrick, Young Miss Five Hills Angelica Torres, and Junior Mister Five Hills Jackson Gibbs, she got to work.

Using paint, rollers and brushes donated by Sherwin Williams, the Five Hills Royalty made quick work of laying down the first layer of white paint that would be the backdrop of the mural. As time went by, they added black letters spelling out "Copperas Cove Soup Kitchen", as well as a tree with leaves and apples and blades of grass across the bottom.

day for the kids of Copperas Cove."

For those interested in donating to the Boys and Girls Club of Copperas Cove, visit bgctx.org, click the Donate Now button and

select Copperas Cove as the designation. People can also contact the organization through their Facebook page or attend an upcoming fundraising event to be announced later.



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Junior Miss Five Hills Hayley Sawyer and Junior Mister Five Hills Jackson Gibbs paint blades of grass on the fence at the Copperas Cove Soup Kitchen as part of Sawyer's platform of helping the homeless.

Sawyer said she chose helping the homeless as her platform "because I've seen so many homeless people on the streets. I felt bad every time I saw them, so I decided that I could help them too."

Despite the heat and bugs, Sawyer and the rest of

the royalty pushed through to complete their mural in one day.

"It feels amazing because I know that everything I do, every single stroke I make on this fence has a benefit towards the soup kitchen," Sawyer said.

Tiara - From Page 3A

Hills Berkley Valois made their pizza together.

"It was so much fun getting to tour the Domino's facility, see how pizza is made and getting the opportunity to make our very own personal pizza," Lorianne Valois said. "All of the Domino's employees were extremely helpful and friendly."

Domino's Fort Hood Area Marketing Coordinator Ingrid Kiefer looks forward to hosting the titleholders each year.

"Domino's is very committed to the communities that we serve. Domino's has sponsored the pageant every year since its return in 2014," Kiefer said. "This is just one of the many ways that we can support the good work that the titleholders do for the Copperas Cove community."

The royalty also supported the Copperas Cove Animal Control Facility's monthly free adoption event by washing dogs, cleaning cages, caring for cats, and presenting animals to potential owners. The titleholders volunteer monthly at the shelter throughout the summer.

They also supported the



File Photo

Teen Miss Five Hills Mary Rhorick creates her own pizza at Domino's Pizza on Fort Hood on Saturday. The restaurant chain offers a private party to the Copperas Cove Five Hills royalty each year as part of its partnership with the Miss Five Hills Scholarship Program.

groundbreaking ceremony at the site of Copperas Cove's new Boys and Girls Club, hosted their weekly summer games of bingo at

a local nursing home, and presented the medals at the Special Olympics Heart of Texas table tennis championships held in Temple.

Class of '69 - From Page 1A

One of the youngest alumni in attendance, Rebekah May, class of 2005, happened to be in town for a baby shower and attended Saturday night.

"I found out about it this morning from my mother, so I was like 'sure, let's go.'"

The group invited - and included - members of other classes from the 1970s and 1980s.

Richard Ellsworth came from Lubbock for the reunion. Ellsworth was involved with the FFA during his days at CCHS and eventually went on to work for the school district as the maintenance foreman for the junior high for several years.

"We were a pretty tight-knit group," Ellsworth said of his fellow classmates. There were a little less than 100 graduates of the class of 1969. This was Ellsworth's first time attending a class reunion.

After the alumni and guests enjoyed the buffet potluck meal, there was a cornhole tournament and the silent auction was closed.

When all was said and done on Saturday evening, \$1,746 had been raised in donations and silent auction proceeds.



CCLP/LYNETTE SOWELL

A variety of silent auction items line the walls of the Copperas Cove Moose Lodge for the CCHS class of 1969's 50th reunion on Saturday night.



SUMMER PREP

Camp season wraps up next week with volleyball, football camps

By TJ MAXWELL
Cove Leader-Press

Although school is still nearly a month away, next week marks the conclusion of the summer season for many athletes.

The Copperas Cove volleyball and football programs will hold their summer camps for grades 7-9 beginning on Monday to conclude the CCISD summer camp schedule.

The boys' and girls' summer pride camps wrap up on Thursday and the fall season officially kicks off for the Lady Dawgs volleyball program on August 12 when they host Georgetown East View.

Practice can begin on August 1 and scrimmages can begin on August 3. The annual Meet the Lady Dawgs night will be held at 6 p.m. on Aug. 5



File Photo

Copperas Cove's Leah Powell leaps for a block during last year's Meet the Lady Dawgs event. This year's Meet the Lady Dawgs is set for 6 p.m. Aug. 5 at Bulldawg Gymnasium.

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The Lady Dawgs have matches with Lorena at home and Dripping Springs on the road before their first District 12-6A contest against Shoemaker on Aug. 27.

After a couple more non-district matches at Cedar Creek on Aug. 30

and against Waco in Cove on Sept. 3, the Lady Dawgs return to district action at Harker Heights on Sept. 6 before traveling to Waco to face Midway on Sept. 10. Cove returns home for a district tilt against Belton and a non-district battle with Crawford before returning back to the 12-6A

slate where they close out at Killeen on Sept. 20, vs. Temple on Sept. 24, vs. Ellison on Sept. 27, at Shoemaker Oct. 1, at Waco on Sept. 4, vs. Harker Heights Oct. 8, vs. Midway on Oct. 11, at Belton on Oct. 15, vs. Killeen on Oct. 22, at Temple on Oct. 25 and at Ellison on Oct. 29 to close out the regular season. Tournaments games may be added to the schedule.

The first day of conditioning for the football program is August 12 with the first day of full contact set for August 17.

The Bulldawgs officially open the season on August 30 at Burseson before returning home to host the Manor Mustangs on Sept. 6 before opening District 12-6A play at home against Belton on Sept. 13. The Dawgs then travel to Killeen on Sept. 20 to face the Kangaroos, they host Ellison on Sept. 27, travel to Waco on Oct. 4, host Midway on Oct. 11, have a bye on Oct. 18, travel to Killeen to face Harker Heights on Oct. 25, host Shoemaker on Nov. 1 before closing out the regular season at Temple on Nov. 8.

Practice for cross country begins this week and practice for tennis begins next week. No schedules available for cross country and tennis as of press time.



"Big" Joe Lombardi
"Cup O' Joe"

Another blow to sports tradition may be on the horizon

My dinosaur blood is starting to simmer again.

Recently, an internet story said since corporate logos have crept onto NBA jerseys, it's likely a matter of time before they're seen on National Football League players.

Say it ain't so, Joe.

Wish I could, but it looks like, with all pro teams feeling the need for speedy cash, this may be the next big thing to help pay these big salaries our athletes demand...and get.

In fairness, I have to admit soccer has done it for years and so has the Canadian Football League, which I enjoy watching. Other sports do too, but when it gets this close to home, aka the Dallas Cowboys, I start wondering...

Who, besides me, remembers when football teams wore their team colors at home and the visitors wore white, or when basketball squads and hockey sides dressed in white at home and visitors wore dark jerseys?

Do you recall home-standing baseball teams wearing white and the visitors wore grey back then, with a team logo or

See CUP,
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Sports Briefs

Pop Warner Football Camps

Copperas Cove Pop Warner will be holding its second summer football camps July 27th at Bulldawg Stadium from 9AM to 11AM. Registration or Camp Cards will start at 8:15am. The camps will feature various drills that will prepare players for the upcoming season. Players aged 5 to 12 are invited.

The camp is free and open to those registered or interested in our Pop Warner league.

Registration for Copperas Cove Pop Warner Football is open until August 1st. The fee is a one-time payment of \$150 per player, which includes a Home and Away jersey, game pants, travel bag, and rental of helmet and shoulder pads. For more information on the benefits of Pop Warner Football, please feel free to contact our office at (254)

542-2719.

Pop Warner Tackle Football registration open through Aug. 1

Pop Warner Tackle Football registration is open NOW until August 1st, sign-up today at www.ccpard.com, or stop by the Civic Center. Registration is a one-time fee of \$150, and that covers rental of helmet and shoulder pads, a Home and Away game jersey, game pants, mouth piece, socks, and an equipment bag. Camp dates are coming up soon, so you don't want to miss out on this awesome opportunity.

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Copperas Cove Summer Camps

Below is a list of the camps still available for this summer:

Boys' Summer Pride

June 10-July 25

Girls' Summer Pride

June 10-July 25

Lady Dawg Volleyball Camp

(grades 7-9) - July 29-31

Bulldawgs Football Camp

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Guam - From Page 1A

Fowler said about the different generations that were at Saturday's event.

Fowler added that this year's event was run by the younger people of the organization. The organization is also looking for donations for land or a building for a place to call home, Fowler said.

Scott Pangelinan, owner of Latte Creations, had a booth set up where he and his family were selling different sizes of latte stones. Latte stones are a pillar capped by a hemispherical stone, with the flat side facing up. They were used as building supports by the ancient generations of the Chamorro people. Now, they act as a sign of Chamorro pride and culture.

Pangelinan said he sells the latte stones to try to keep the culture alive.



CCLP/BRITTANY FHOLER
Dancers with Baila Pacifica Entertainment performed for a crowd at the Chamorro Association of Central Texas' 75th Guam Liberation event held at Ogletree Gap Park Saturday.

On his business card, Pangelinan has "Support our culture" written, to go with the stones.

"Anyone from Guam will know if they see a latte stone, whether it's a sticker or a replica of décor for the house, they want to get it, so I try to bring that to the younger generation and everything," Pangelinan said.

At the booth, Pangelinan sold raffle tickets for \$5 each for people to try to win a large latte stone, weighing 400 pounds at 33.5 inches by 22 inches, and made plans to donate the proceeds to the Chamorro Association of Central Texas.

Pangelinan has lived in the area since 2002, being active duty in the Army. Despite deployments and PCSing, he has always returned back to Central Texas.

"Since I bought a house, I kind of like it here because it kind of feels like home al-

ready because I've got a lot of Guamanians here, Chamorros and Islanders that make me feel like I never left Guam," he said.

He's come to every Guam Liberation event every year when he is home, he said.

"I take it to heart, honestly. The people that served, that fought for us," Pangelinan said about the liberation of Guam.

His great grandfather was part of the liberation and

passed down stories to his children and grandchildren, he said.

He added that he and many others from Guam joined the military because of the stories they heard and out of obligation to America.

The event began with the singing of the national anthem, along with remarks from both the mayors of Killeen and Kempner, followed by a blessing over the potluck meal.

Cup - From Page 7A

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