The excellent Balloons Over Horseshoe Bay Resort event featured about 20 colorful hot air balloons, plus helicopter rides, sky divers, great food and music, kids activities, magic shows, animal shows, a boat display and more on the high ground overlooking Horseshoe Bay's new business district and Lake LBJ. It was the biggest event of an Easter weekend that also featured Children's Day in Marble Falls, plus many Easter Egg Hunts and special church services around the Highland Lakes.
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Scatterthought

It seems like no matter how often I go through my voice mails, notes and emails, I find that I’ve missed some “Upcoming Events” in my article. To facilitate the printing process, I start with the first and last two pages each week, then do the middle four pages before I get to page 3 sometime on Wednesday evening (on a bad week, it’s more like early Thursday morning). That’s why the things I missed will often appear in Scatterthought; this week is a good example!

During the first two hectic weeks of April, I overlooked a town hall meeting with Commissioner Mike Sandoval (held on Tuesday night). On Wednesday afternoon, I noticed a Facebook message reporting on the meeting which included a discussion of a “Limited Countywide ResidentialBulk Collection” scheduled for this Saturday morning (8 a.m. to noon). Llano County residents (and KMUD customers from Burnet County) can bring tires, furniture, mattresses, etc. to the Llano County Annex in Buchanan Dam. I should have reported this a little earlier.

Also on Saturday, the Hill Country Humane Society will hold another “Show and Shine” at Ace Hardware in Horseshoe Bay (11 a.m. to 1 p.m.). In addition to the lovable rescue animals, they will be offering microchipping for $25 and nail trimming at $5. Bring your pets and take advantage of this special offer. For more information call 512-793-5463.

Later that same day, Phillip Smith will bring his “St. Paul Speaks” performance to Hill Country Fellowship in Burnet at 5:45. Doors open at 5:15 for fellowship and refreshments.

The Llano High School Band is having a Mattress Fundraiser from 11 to 5 on Sunday, April 21, at the LHS Gym. Get deep discounts on many brands and all sizes. They will accept cash, check, credit cards, special financing, and layaway. Call Bonnie at 956-330-8106 for more details.

For those in Llano County Pec. #3 who missed that town hall meeting, Commissioner Sandoval will be speaking again at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, April 25, at a meeting of the Friends of the Kingsland Library.

Lambeth Nu is sponsoring a Book Drive for a Cause to benefit the Seton Care-a-Van and is hosting an in-person event at the Place Downtown in Kingsland from 3-6 that Tuesday (April 25). The Kids’ Care-a-Van is a full-service mobile health unit that brings healthcare services directly to children in schools and other community locations; every “patient” is given a book. You can donate books directly, or you can donate money for books; if you purchase books from Usborne Books between now and April 25 (in person or online), the company will donate half the proceeds to the Care-a-Van.

Speaking of books, the Llano County Library System’s Amnesty Month is not over yet. They want their books back, and they want their “customers” back, so they are willing to waive all fees for overdue books returned in good condition (until the end of April!)

The Llano Fine Art Guild is planning a “Plein Air Paint Out” on Saturday, April 29. It’s not a competition—simply a day of fun. Meet at the Llano Fine Art Guild and Gallery at 8 a.m., then paint one or two paintings (any medium, no larger than 10” x 16”) around the town or countryside, and return to the Gallery by 4:30 to hang your artwork (which may be sold for sale at the reception, from 5 to 7 that evening. Paintings should be framed for hanging or be ready to hang.

A “Marvelous Moms” Sip and Shop event is planned from 5 to 8 on Thursday, May 11, at the Kingsland Community Center. It will be a fun night out, and it will benefit the Family Crisis Center. Call Teresa Gray at 325-423-0113 for more details.

One of the oldest golf courses in the Highland Lakes area (Blue Lake Golf Club) will celebrate its 55th anniversary this year! It will host a Benefit Rally at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 13. Go to www.bluelakegolfclub.com or call the pro shop at (830) 598-5524 for registration info.

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The Carson & Barnes “Circus Saurus” came to the Kingsland Community Center for two shows on Wednesday, attracting crowds to the Big Top at 4:30 and 7:30. In the photo below, performers are introduced at the beginning of the 4:30 show.

A pride of Kingsland Lions, including the volunteers pictured above and at right, cooked and served for several hundred guests at their semi-annual Pancake Breakfast in the Kingsland Community Center last Saturday morning. Proceeds benefit area charities.

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Kingsland residents will be looking for a new appliance repairman! Phil and Betty Boring, who have run Phil’s Appliance Service here for more than 32 years, had already decided to retire later this year, but back surgery persuaded Phil to take “early retirement” a couple of months ago. The couple came from Austin, where Phil had worked at McNair’s Appliance for 16 years, in September of 1984. Their first shop was in the back of Western Auto (now Packard Saddle Fellowship), and they moved two or three times before building their shop on Harris Loop in 2001. They have enjoyed “a great 32 years” in Kingsland, with many loyal customers and friends. The biggest difference they have noticed during that time is a dramatic increase in traffic; there used to be “one car every five minutes” on Hwy 1431. Now they have to wait five minutes at the stop sign before there is a break in traffic to get on to the highway.

The corner dominated for many years by Big John’s BBQ, at Hwy 29 and 1431 in Buchanan Dam, has been purchased by 4-T Propane, which apparently is making it into the company’s headquarters. This photo, showing both old and new signs, was taken last Sunday.
The Easter Bunny arrived at Veterans Park in Granite Shoals in a police car last Saturday morning to preside over an amazing Easter Egg Hunt.

A large and enthusiastic crowd hurried out into the egg-strewn field as soon as the Easter Bunny gave the signal.

There was a separate area to give younger Easter Egg hunters an equal chance, but we suspect that this handsome young man got some help from his parents!
Pilate and his wife, along with their armed guards, were among the cast members in Burnet’s “Easter Journey,” presented by the First Baptist Church at the Main Street Bethlehem site on Good Friday.

A long line of visitors filed through the Bethlehem replica as church volunteers played the roles of Bible characters at the time of Christ’s crucifixion.

The final solemnizing scene depicted Jesus on the cross, as mockers and mourners watched and listened to His last words.
A coordinated “Balloon Glow” lit up the Friday evening sky as all the balloon operators simultaneously fired up their burners at the Balloons Over Horseshoe Bay Resort event.

Helicopter rides, a display of new boats, trampolines and rock-climbing were among the attractions at Balloons Over Horseshoe Bay Resort.

Another of the weekend’s highlights was the spectacular performance of three skydivers on Saturday afternoon.

Magician/Comedian Cody Fisher enlisted the help of young audience members in his highly entertaining shows on Saturday afternoon at Balloons Over Horseshoe Bay.
Balloons Over Horseshoe Bay Resort

About twenty hot-air balloons lined up across the field Friday night at the Balloons Over Horseshoe Bay Resort. Varying winds kept most of the balloons on the ground, but the scene was still very impressive.

A crowd numbering in the hundreds filled the spectator area, enjoying the balloons and a variety of activities at the upscale event last weekend.

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The C-47 Skytrain, “Bluebonnet Belle,” will be one of the star exhibits at the Commemorative Air Force’s Open House at the Burnet Airport next Saturday (April 29). Lunch will be served, the museum will be open, and some of the airplanes may be available for (paid) rides, depending on weather and crews.

Cindy Campbell at 719-337-0098 for more details.

The new Chick Fil-A restaurant, on Hwy 281 in Marble Falls, will hold its Grand Opening from 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 27.

The Burnet High School Highlandette drill team will present its Spring Show at 7 p.m. on Thursday through Saturday, April 27-29, at the BHS Auditorium.

Authors Mando Rayo and Jarod Neece will share their love of tacos and their latest book, The Tacos of Texas, at the Marble Falls Library’s Lunch at the Library, beginning at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, April 28. Please make your reservation in person at the library, or call 830-693-3023.

Llano’s Fourth Friday Artwalk will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, April 28. Various shops and galleries will be open late to celebrate art and culture in Llano.

Llano’s Hope Haus will be having its biannual garage sale on Friday, April 28 (from 8-5) and Saturday, April 29 (from 8-4) at Lutie Watkins United Methodist Church Family Life Center (800 Wright Street). HOPE Haus is a nonprofit transitional home for women. For more information, contact Dena Wilson at 830-619-9669.

The Highland Lakes Squadron of the Commemorative Air Force invites the public to an Open House at the Municipal Hangar of the Burnet Municipal Airport on Saturday afternoon April 29. Rides will be available for hire in the C-47 Blue Bonnet Belle, SN-4 Texan, and L-17 Navion (weather and crew permitting). The first-class museum will be open. Enjoy lunch or a visit, and see the restoration of WWII Trainer PT-19.

The Llano Spring Flying Art Show will be held from April 29 to May 7. The event will begin with a Plein Air Paint Out on April 29, followed by an artist’s reception from 5 to 7 that evening.

Departure ATX, the “Ultimate 80s Tribute Band,” will be at the Utopia Sound Studio at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 29.

The excellent Eagles tribute band, Already Gone, will perform at the Lantex Theater in Llano at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 29.

Granite Shoals will hold a Grand Opening/Ribbon-Cutting at the new bird and wildlife viewing station, built by the Master Naturalists on the City Hall grounds, at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 30. The Viewing Station is just off the Manzano Trail; not far from mile marker 1.75 (there will be signs pointing the way).

The Llano Fine Art Guild will host a hands-on art demo by Karen Schwindt at 1 p.m. on Monday, May 1. Karen is a multi-media artist from Mason; her demo will involve a graphite pour on watercolor paper, then using colored pencils and watercolor to create multi-media art.

A Relay for Life Survivors Dinner will be held on May 5 at Hill Country Fellowship in Burnet. RSVP to 512-919-1810 by April 28.

Genesis Lutheran Church in Buchanan Dam will hold its Cajan and Zydeco Festival from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 29 (see ad on page 12).

A Steak Dinner Benefit will be held at St. James Lutheran Church in Llano at 6 p.m. on Thursday, May 4, to help pay for upgrades at the Llano County Historical Museum.

The Howdy Roo Chili Cook-Off will be held at Johnson Park in Marble Falls, May 7.

The Spicewood Arts Society will present its eighth annual “Toast to Tony” tribute concert, honoring Austin jazz legend Tony Campise, beginning at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 5, at the Spicewood Vineyards Event Center.

The Open Door 5K Run/Walk for Recovery will be held at Llano County Mile (east of Marble Falls High School) beginning at 8 a.m. on Saturday, May 6. Funds will help the Open Door Recovery House. Register online at OpenDoorRecovery.net.

Hidden Falls Adventure Park (off Hwy 1431 east of Marble Falls) will host its huge Wheels for the Wounded event from 10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 6.

The Marble Falls MayFest will be held at Johnson Park from Wednesday, May 10 through Saturday, May 13. The event includes a carnival, free concerts, washer pitching, games, food and craft vendors, and more.

Author Ben Rehler, known for his Blanco County mystery series, will be the featured speaker at the Herman Brown Free Library’s Coffee Talks, scheduled for 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 11.

The Burnet County Rodeo will be held at the fairgrounds behind Burnet’s airport on Friday and Saturday, May 12 & 13.

The Blue Lake Golf Club will be holding a Benefit Rally at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 13. There will be prizes for hole-in-one, closest to pin, longest drive; also a silent auction, raffle, Bar and BBQ dinner to follow. Check in at 1:30 p.m. Entry fee $200.00 per 4-man team. Sponsorships are still available. Go to www.bluelakegolfclub.com or call the pro shop at (830) 398-5524 for info.

The Hill Country Relay for Life will be held at Johnson Park in Marble Falls on May 20.

The Ball Brothers quartet will present a concert of folk and country music at the Llano High School auditorium beginning at 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 20. Burnet’s Summer Concert Series will begin on May 27 at Hady Nelson Park with a Texas Talent Showcase, featuring Andrew Ham, the Steel Belts and the Sam Williams Band. Doors open at 6:30; the music starts at 7:30. See ticket information for details.

The Llano VFD will hold its annual BBQ Cook-Off at Robinson Park on Friday and Saturday, June 16-17.

Harmony School of Creative Arts will present their dance production, Time Flies, at the Hill Country Community Theatre in Comanche Shoals on 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 3, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, June 4.

The highly-entertaining Soapbox Derby, an adult Soapbox Derby on 3rd Street in Marble Falls, will be held on Father’s Day Weekend, June 16-18.
Pastor Donna Shaw, from Grace United Methodist Church in Granite Shoals, led an early-morning Easter service at Dove Park in Highland Haven (above and left). Cindy and Carl Ginsberg led the singing.

Another well-attended early-morning service was held on the grounds of Genesis Lutheran Church in Buchanan Dam. Genesis Lutheran is planning a big “Cajun and Zydeco” Festival there from 10 to 4 on Saturday, April 29 (see ad on page 12). Among the live bands will be the acclaimed “Mighty Pelicans,” from New Orleans.

Mrs. and Mr. Easter Bunny (Libby Ewing and Kim Otte) posed with an early arrival at Kingsland Community Church a few minutes before the Easter Egg Hunt last Sunday morning.

The church will hold its annual Blessing of the Animals from 10 a.m. to noon this Saturday (April 22) in the church courtyard. Call 325-388-4516 for details.

Pastor Jonathan Juedes, of First Baptist Sunrise Beach, led an actual “Sunrise Service” at dawn on Easter Sunday at McNair Park. More than 100 people attended.

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Dennis and Carol Hoover led the singing at the early-morning Easter service next door to Chapel of the Hills in Buchanan Dam. The special service was one of many well-attended Easter celebrations around the Highland Lakes on a beautiful Sunday morning.

The Hill Country Community Band was one of the groups which provided live entertainment at the Pancake Breakfast held by the Kingsland Lions Club last Saturday.

Accomplished singer/songwriter Donnie Blanz, who came to the Texas Hill Country from Nashville in 2001, performed last Saturday at Trailblazer Grille in Burnet.

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Thank you for reading the Highland Lakes Weekly!
A crowd of children and parents gathered at the Johnson Park pavilion for Opening Ceremonies at Children’s Day in Marble Falls last Saturday.

Volunteers from the Upper Highland Lakes Nature Center used interesting demonstrations to let children know about exciting careers in science.

Two of the ringleaders: Children’s Day Founder Ély Banuet and former Burnet County Judge Donna Klaeger compare notes just before Opening Ceremonies.

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