Ditzy-but-brilliant law student Elle Woods (Sarah Sanford) uses her knowledge of the law to recover a much-loved dog from the heartless ex-boyfriend (Daniel Gutierrez) of her friend and manicurist, Paulette (Meghan Hoefling) in the Burnett Ensemble Theatre Group’s hilarious production of “Legally Blonde” at Burnet High School last weekend (see more pictures on page 9 and lots more on the “Highland Lakes Weekly” Facebook page).
UPCOMING EVENTS

Llano’s Starry Starry Nights lighting display will begin at dusk on Friday (November 24), the day after Thanksgiving. It will continue each evening until the end of the year.

By JOHN HALLLOWELL

Charlotte Dilworth’s annual “After-Thanksgiving Trot” will be held behind Kingsland Health and Fitness Center at 8 a.m. on Friday, November 24 (the day after Thanksgiving). A new wrinkle this year will be a bicycle awarded to one boy and one girl; all participants aged 5-12 will have their names entered in the drawing.

Llano’s “Starry Starry Nights” lighting display will begin at Badu Park at 6 p.m. on Friday, November 24. It will continue each evening through December 31.

Country music legend John Conlee will be at the Ramblin’ Rose in Llano for a show beginning at 8 p.m. (doors open at 7) on Friday, November 24.

Kingsland’s “Small Business Saturday” event will be held at the First Baptist Church from 9 to 2 on Saturday, November 25.

Horseshoe Bay Resort will present a Gingerbread House Village at 6 p.m. in the hotel lobby. Santa will arrive for pictures at 6:30 p.m. There will be a Kids Laser Light Show and refreshments will be served.

Horseshoe Bay’s Holiday celebration is scheduled for 5:30 to 7:30 on Thursday, November 30 in front of Bay Pharmacy, Century 21 and Hair by Wendi & Co., the heart of HBS’s “Main Street” on RR 2147.

Burnet’s Main Street Bethlehem production will open on 6 p.m. on Friday, December 1, and continue on Saturday and Sunday evenings.

The Kingsland Community Center will host a Kingsland Christmas event from 10 to 4 on Saturday, December 2. The event will feature vendors, a fish fry, a Kids Corner and photos with Santa (see ad on this page).

Harmony School of Creative Arts will present its annual Nutcracker show at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sunday, December 2 & 3, at the Marble Falls High School auditorium.

Sandstone Street B&B (508 E. Sandstone in Llano) will host its annual Christmas Tea at 3 p.m. on Sunday, December 3.

The First Baptist Church of Marble Falls will host a community-wide Christmas Concert, featuring the Heart of Texas Orchestra at 6 p.m. on Sunday, December 3.

The Llano Library will host a Christmas Open House from 3 to 5 p.m. on Thursday, December 7. Stop by to enjoy the delicious party foods and drinks, visit with friends, and see up some holiday happiness and cheer.

Kingsland’s Second Annual Jingle Mingle, a “Sip & Shop” Ladies Night Out, to benefit Highland Lakes CASA, will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, December 7 at the Kingsland Community Center. Call 325-423-0113 for details.

The Llano Art Guild will host an Open House at its Holiday Market from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 7. There will be food and drinks to enjoy while shopping for gifts.

The Friends of the Llano Library will host a Soup Lunch fundraiser at the library on Thursday, December 14. Serving will start at 11 a.m. and end at 1 p.m. (or when the soup is gone).

The Kingsland Chamber of Commerce will co-host a Christmas Gala at the Kingsland Community Center from 6-10 p.m. on Friday, December 8. The event will include dinner and dance music by The Skylarks (see ad on page 8).

Main Street Bethlehem will be open again, beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings.

The YMCA in Burnet will host an indoor Holiday Splash & Dash for children from 6 to 15 (a combination swimming and running race) beginning early in the morning on Saturday, December 9. Call 512-576-6180 for details.

The Highland Lakes Writers’ Club will meet for their annual Christmas Potluck and Read-Around Saturday, December 9 at the Marble Falls Public Library. The program will begin at 3 p.m. Members will read their work. Non-Members are welcome as visitors. Burnet will also be holding its Christmas on the Square (noon to 9) and Christmas at Fort Croghan (5 to 8) events that Saturday (December 9). Llano will hold its annual Snow Day from 1 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, December 9 at Badu Park.

The Bellamy Brothers will star in two Llano Country Opry shows on Saturday, December 9 (2:30 and 7:30 p.m.) at the Lantex Theatre.

The Choral Department of Smoking for Jesus Ministry’s Christian School will present a free winter concert (“The One Child Who Changed the World”) at 6 p.m. on Sunday, December 10.

Harmony School of Creative Arts will present its Christmas Music Recital at 7 p.m. on Monday, December 11, at the First United Methodist Church in Marble Falls.

The “Best Christmas Pageant Ever” will be presented at First Baptist Church in Marble Falls at 7 p.m. on Friday, December 15, and at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Saturday, December 16.

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I was saddened to hear about the recent passing of one of these special people. I met Mel TBH in 2008 when I was invited to attend the premiere of the movie, “Palo Pinto Gold,” in San Antonio. He was one of the stars, along with other celebrities like Roy Clark, Kinky Friedman, Joaquin Jackson, Kevin Fowler and Jay Novacek (I actually sat with Kinky Friedman and his brother to watch the movie; that will be one of my stories).

One of the other people who will definitely get honorable mention in that book (and right here, too) is John Hoover, of Burnet. You can see pictures of him on page 15, from this morning’s re-arranging of the street next to Seton Highland Lakes Hospital; the former CR 340A is now “John W. Hoover Parkway.”

I met Mr. Hoover in 1994, when I started selling Sherwin’s frozen food in Burnet. Several of the ladies in the Hoover Construction office were customers, and a couple of them are still my friends. I shopped at Hoover Building Supply when I was trying to renovate my old house on North Main (1996-2002), and met a couple more friends there (Al Kroeger and Travis Warren were very helpful back then, and provided good story material when I started my writing career).

When I became the editor of the Burnet Bulletin in 2000, I would begin each Wednesday morning by bringing a few of my new papers to McDonald’s, where John Hoover would be regaling a group of friends with tall tales (some of them true, I think) We would discuss whatever was in the paper, and I would find out what WASN’T in the paper.

Sometime soon I need to put together a detailed list of Mr. Hoover’s contributions to his community. It seems like he’s had a hand in almost every positive development in Burnet for the past 60 years (DEFINITELY the past 20). I had the honor of participating in a few of those things (and writing about more of them); if that book ever gets written, he’ll be in it. Stay tuned!

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[Image of a book sale]
Shoppers checked out the selection at last weekend’s successful Book, Bake & Pecan Sale, held by the Friends of Kingsland Library in the library’s back room on Friday and Saturday.

[Image of a restaurant]
The former Storm’s restaurant, built in 2002 but vacant for the past several years, will soon be Kingsland’s La Tequila Jalisco restaurant. The company is based in Fredericksburg.

[Image of a golf cart]
This is all that was left of the old El Rio convenience store (on the Burnet County side of the Hwy 1431 bridge in Kingsland) on Tuesday morning; it will probably be gone by the time this paper is published. An upscale store, office and restaurant complex is reportedly planned for the waterfront location.

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More than 100 teams participated in a charity golf tournament at Light- house Country Club in Kingsland last Saturday. Proceeds will benefit 4-year-old Bryan Weeks, who was recently diagnosed with leukemia and requires chemotherapy and around-the-clock medical attention.

President Louann Raley, of the Kingsland/Lake LBJ Chamber of Commerce, presented a plaque to new Chamber member Stacey Leal, of Golden Genie Organizing, LLC (see ad on page 14). She specializes in organizing homes, businesses and small events.

Athletes and family members from Tuck ’n Tumble’s national power tumbling team held a bake sale at Buddies convenience store in Kingsland last Saturday. Proceeds will help pay travel expenses when the team goes to Nationals next June in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

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October 1917 in Llanol

By JOHN HALLOWELL

The banner headline on the front-page of The Llano News on October 4, 1917, was unambiguous: “Your Highest Duty / Arm the Citizen Demands that you Buy a Liberty Bond,” it said. Most of the front-page was filled with war news from Europe, but one article also described a battle “Masopotamia” where the British captured “Ramadi, north west of Bagdad” and inflicted heavy casualties on the defending Ottoman Turks.

Thirty-one more young men were called to active duty from Llano County. Seventeen of them were from the town of Llano and five were from Lone Grove; two each came from Castell and Kingsland, with single representatives from Tow, Bluffton, Oxford, Valley Spring and Field Creek.

Another front-page story reported that a meteor had exploded in mid-air above Texas, “causing the most brilliant light phenomena of recent years, with a terrific blast that exceeded by far any explosion ever resulted from human agencies.” The sound was said to be “audible for hundreds of miles.”

The Ransom and Mcmillin drug store announced that it had signed a deal with Hilburn Florists in Austin to be their agent in Llano. Another story announced that Llano’s Frank Wallace had been in the middle of a group of American “soldier boys with the Hospital Corps” who were photographed by a “staff correspondent from one of the news service organizations” as they were “talking with a bevy of French girls from a mantis house.”

Llano’s high school football team was preparing for a game with Marble Falls; in three previous matches, they had one win, one loss and one tied.

The next week’s paper happily reported that Llano had come back from a 12-6 halftime deficit to beat Marble Falls 24-18. Dan Haddock made three touchdowns.

The Llano Milling Company gave up on its recently-installed filter plant, calling it “inadequate and a failure.” The company ordered a new filter plant similar to one which was serving successfully in Brownwood. The front-page story reported that “The new plant will be composed of settling basins, where the water will be thoroughly filtered and purified before it is returned to the main river. It will be located just south of the power plant, on the west side of the street.”

Roy Irons, who had been the manager of the Nelson Davis and Son wholesale grocery warehouse in Llano AND the junior partner in Watkins Auto Sales Co., volunteered with the Army’s Aviation Corps. He had been expected for the draft, but his number was not called.

Othello Shults, who had volunteered for the U.S. Navy, and had been selected for service “on the president’s boat, the Mayflower,” was home for leave, and a dance in his honor was scheduled for Friday night at the Don Carlos Hotel (where “special music has been secured for the occasion”).

The ladies of the Red Cross, whose headquarters was in the Mayfield Building, called for donations of “clean new or old white rags, cut very fine for the making of comfort pillows.”

One story reported on a revival at the Christian Church, while another told how a carnival was scheduled for October 20.

The big news in the little agricultural town on October 15 was that the state-owned yards of Kansas City, which killed an estimated 13,000 animals (10,000 cattle and 3,000 hogs), was “a somewhat puzzling report. The ‘conflagration’ was ‘in- cendiary origin.’”

Other stories that week reported that the Texas legislature had added $1 billion worth of Liberty Bonds and that one million tons of new shipping capacity

This memorial on the Llano square honors the young men from Llano who served in WWI. WWI veterans held annual reunions in Llano for many years.

would be launched by March. The Russians suffered a major defeat to the Germans in the Gulf of Riga.

Charley Shults encountered (and killed) a mother black bear while inspecting cattle in the Davis Mountains. He rescued her cub, and brought it back to Llano, where crowds of visitors came to see it at the Don Carlos Hotel.

Four Llano County boys (John Borden, Carl Rabb, Benton Ligon and Theo Schmitzler) attended Boys State in Dallas.

H. & C.T. railroad agent “Mr. Fish beck” reported that 1,012 carloads of live stock had shipped out of Llano in the previous year, while eight cars (containing 2,412 head) were shipped into Llano.

And a carload of Fords arrived in Llano, with eight lucky buyers accepting their new vehicles. Six touring cars, one roadster and one truck were delivered.

A large group of area farmers were working to form a Llano County Farmers Association.

Wille Alchton purchased “one of the best small ranches in Llano County” from Seth Bailey. It was “an 85-acre place located some two and a half miles from town in the Wright’s Creek community.”

The banner headline on October 25 said “Are you as patriotic as Germany? Go Today and Buy a Liberty Bond.” A story below it told how $27,100 worth of bonds had been sold in Llano, just over one third of the $75,000 quota assigned to the town. Llano’s ratio was a little better than the nation’s as a whole, where just over 20% of the quota had been sold. A list of Llano County buyers included 75 Llano residents; the only two Kingsland buyers on the list were Fred Wood and John Lantier.

A mass meeting at the courthouse was announced to make plans for a county-wide Food Conservation Week to begin the following Sunday. That was October of 1917, one hundred years ago in Llano.
The newly-renovated fellowship hall at Chapel of the Hills was filled with cheerful people at noon last Sunday for the Buchanan Dam church’s annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner.

Another crowd gathered at the First Baptist Church in Kingsland that evening for another sumptuous Community Thanksgiving Dinner.

The First Baptist Church of Liano hosted a Community Thanksgiving Service at Lutie Watkins Memorial United Methodist Church, also last Sunday evening. The Community Thanksgiving Dinner in Liano was scheduled for Thursday noon at St. James Lutheran Church.
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The Burnet Ensemble Theatre Company presented three excellent shows of “Legally Blonde” last weekend at the BHS auditorium. Sarah Sanford starred as the stereotypically ditzy blond, whose good heart and brilliant legal mind help her overcome a series of hilarious predicaments. Aaron Arbaugh played the long-time admirer who helps her find her way to success (and love).

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Volunteers listened to last-minute instructions on Opening Night for Burnet’s amazing Main Street Bethlehem production. The wonderful “living history” presentation opens to the general public at 6 p.m. on Friday, December 1.

Actors for the Hill Country Community Theatre’s hilarious “Don’t Hug Me Christmas Carol” (see ad below) posed for this publicity shot a few days ago. From left: Mandi Whittlesey, Guy Gober, Cody Petty, Kyle Hirning and Kay Baker.

(EVENTS: Continued from page 2)
Saturday, December 16. The musical tells how a family of misfits storms the local church decides to take over the annual Christmas pageant. Once all is said and done, neither they nor the church folk will ever be the same again. Admission is free.

Wildflower Dance Studio will present its Nutcracker show at the Llano High School auditorium on Saturday (2 p.m. and 6 p.m.) and Sunday (2 p.m.), December 16 & 17.

Weekend Ministries will hold a “Holiday Trio” event (Chili Cook-Off, Pie Contest and Old-Fashioned Caroling) from 4 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, December 16 at the Methodist Church in Burnet.

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Above: A ribbon-cutting was held last week to celebrate the opening of a new Italian restaurant in Bertram. It is located at the corner of HWY 29 and 243, the former site of the “Hungry Moose.” At right: an “Honoring Hill Country Heroes” dinner, sponsored by Camp Peniel at the First Baptist Church in Marble Falls last Saturday, featured the hilarious comedy of Ken Davis.

The Lake Buchanan/links Lake Chamber of Commerce held a Chili Dinner at Hill Country Hall to welcome the area’s Winter Texans.

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Horseshoe Bay Mayor Steve Jordan addressed the crowd after a ribbon-cutting was held to officially open the new Sam Martin Pickleball court at Martin Park (next to city hall in Horseshoe Bay). The court was made possible by a grant from the Martin Foundation.

The Knights of Columbus Council 13245 in Kingsland is taking orders for tamales in its annual charity fund-raising drive. Tamales are $7/dozen; deliveries will begin December 8. Call Angelo at 830-598-5500 to place your order. The KC&G donates approximately $6,000 each year to the area’s charitable organizations.

Karen Shaw has been named Crafter of the Month at the Kingsland House of Arts & Crafts. Karen, pictured at right with a recycled crystal angel, has many crafts for sale at KHAC, open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday through Christmas eve. They have a variety of great Christmas gifts. You can find them online or call 325-388-6159 for more information.

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The Jacob Essary Band rocked Brass Hall in Marble Falls last Friday night. The active music venue features top musicians almost every weekend.

The local Turnabout band had help from some visiting friends as they entertained the crowd at Fuel Coffee House in Llano last Thursday night.

Austin Ellison needed some assistance from his agent, Lori Bailey, during a windy Saturday performance at the Hill Country Music Jam sponsored by Valentine Lakeside Resort in Kingsland. Other performers included the Gem Stones, from Houston, and Austin Raw Sugar, from Austin.

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Thank you for reading the Highland Lakes Weekly!
Family members gathered around Burnet businessman and philanthropist John Hoover after CR 340A was re-named in his honor on Tuesday morning. In the photo below, Mr. Hoover listened as one speaker after another recounted his many accomplishments during the dedication ceremony.

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*For an additional fee, wine pairings are available with each course.

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