Members of the legendary Enloe’s Outlaws ski team came out of retirement for an emotional tribute to David and Pat Enloe, who turned dozens of Kingsland teenagers into a world-class team during the 1980s. Pictured above, in the traditional opening with five American flags, are (L-R): Mark Edwards, Wendy Enloe Smith (daughter of David and Pat), Rhonda Burnes Colombo, Deidra Blount Heflin and John White. Many more photos from a wonderful July 4 are spread through this newspaper; Aqua Boom events from last Friday and Saturday, along with info on winners of competitions and raffles, will be in next week’s paper.
The Falls on the Colorado Museum will host its annual Marble Falls Founders Day beginning at 9 a.m. on this Saturday (July 13). Local rancher Sam Burrum will discuss the Chisholm Trail, and its effect on ranching families in the area, in a special presentation at 10:30 a.m.

By JOHN HALLOWELL

The Marble Falls Rotary Club will host its 70th Annual Fish Fry at 6 p.m. on Friday, July 12, at the Lakeside Pavilion. The Falls on the Colorado Museum will host its annual Marble Falls Founders Day beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 13. The event honors General Adair R. Johnson and his partners, who founded Marble Falls on July 12, 1887. At 10:30 a.m., local rancher Sam Burrum will explain the effects of the Chisholm Trail on his ancestors and other area ranching families before the founding of Marble Falls and before railroads were built in the county.

The Ritzie Texan, on Hwy 29 at Main Street in Burnett, will host its monthly Meet the Artist event, featuring artists Brenda Terry, Evia Ballard, James Terry, and Jonathan Gray, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, July 13.

Tony Booth and Darrell McColl will headline a 2:30 p.m. show at the Llano Country Opry on Saturday, July 13.

A benefit will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. on Saturday, July 13, at the Llano County Community Center for William Leach, a one-year-old boy with a rare brain disease. There will be a Fried Catfish Dinner (by donation), live music by Southern Underground, live and silent auction and a Baked Goods Sale.

Calamity & Grace (on the west side of the Llano square) will host a “Paint Like Bob” event from 3 to 5 this Sunday, July 14.

Llano County Judge Ron Cunningham will be guest speaker at a July 16 meeting of the Lake Buchanan Conservation Corporation. Judge Cunningham will share his thoughts and goals as they apply to the Lakes area. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 16, at Hill Country Hall (on Hwy 29 in Buchanan Dam). The public is welcome. Refreshments will be served. Call Ken McGuire at 512-555-2526 for more details.

The Highland Lakes Quilt Guild will hold a “Meet and Greet” (with coffee) at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, July 17, at First United Methodist Church in Marble Falls. Guests are welcome. The program (“A Unique Personality”) will be presented by Cheryl Lynch. There will be a “Mini Mosaics” workshop there from 9 to 3 the following day.

The talented actors of the Hill Country Community Theatre will present the comedic “Dirty Rotten Scoundrels” in four shows each of the next three weekends (7:30 p.m. shows on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, plus a 2:15 matinee on Sundays), July 19 to August 4.

Painting With Friends will return to the Place Downtown in Kingsland from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Friday, July 19.

The Marble Falls Roders will be held on Friday and Saturday nights, July 19 and 20. Adam Fears will provide music for a dance after Saturday night’s rodeo action.

The Llano Tinkers B&B at Lost Creek Ranch (on RR 2233 near Sunrise Bench) will host its Rock the Vines Harvest Festival from 1 to 11 p.m. on Saturday, July 20. There will be music and guests Sunny Jim, Donny Brewer, George Gurganis, plus grape stomping, wine and chocolate. Call 844-784-3825 or visit thevineyardbnd.com for reservations. Rooms are available for overnight guests.

The Llano Community Theatre group will present “Milk Nelson Is Missing” at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, July 26 and 27, plus a 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, July 28. Tickets go on sale at the Llano Chamber of Commerce at noon on Monday, July 15.

Noted artist Kim Roberti will hold a Still Life Painting Workshop at the Llano Fine Arts Gallery from 10 to 4 on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, July 28-30. Sign up on line at www.llanofineartgallery.com or call the Guild 325-247-4839. Maximum of 10 participants.

The Llano Lions Club will hold a “Sporting Clays for a Cause” event to benefit the club’s scholarship program, at the historic Inks Ranch on Saturday, August 17. Entry forms are available at the Llano Chamber office.
Two friends submitted photos this week that both seemed noteworthy to me!

Above: Betty Bisler sent this photo of her flag during the Dunn family’s fireworks show at Links Lake Village.

At left: Sherrell Boone sent this photo of herself holding a copy of the Highland Lakes Weekly in front of the World Trade Center Memorial (made from an actual WTC beam) in Kennebunk, Washington. She was at the “Tri-Cities 1019 Geocoin Challenge” at the end of June.

Scatterthought

I think I’ve done it again. I just had “too much fun” over the Aqua Boom weekend. Part of the reason is just that there were so many great events going on; part because the weather was a little cooler than a “normal” Fourth of July, and I didn’t stay in the air conditioning as much, drink enough water, or take afternoon naps. I guess I’m getting old; I’ve been paying for that reckless abandon ever since Saturday night, and this week’s paper is probably going to look a little bit disorganized because (halfway through Deadline Day already) I just haven’t been able to get back on track.

But it was well worth a few days of dragging myself around and forgetting where I was supposed to be going! Thursday in particular was a wonderful day, one that I’ll remember fondly for a while, at LEAST a couple of weeks. When I wasn’t taking advantage of all the red, white and blue photo ops, I was saying hello to dozens and dozens of friends, some of whom I hadn’t seen for quite a while. And the Enloe’s Outlaws ski show was a genuinely moving experience (in addition to being a great photo op).

I spent a couple of hours out on the new “Enloe Memorial Bridge” (I’m going to call it that even though I haven’t seen the actual sign yet) without even thinking about the heat; that may be what did me in, but the ski show and the fireworks were both un-missable highlights of the 2019 Aqua Boom. I’m glad I’ve got pictures to remember them by — and to show off to anyone who reads my little paper or follows it on Facebook.

I got a notice this week from the Highland Lakes Classical Chorus, which put on a great Christmas musical performance last year at the First United Methodist Church in Burnet. That excellent singing group is looking for new members before October, when rehearsals will begin for the 2019 program. The notice says “singers at all levels of experience are welcome,” but I think they do have some minimum standards. I love to sing, but I hate making a fool of myself in public (I bet you wouldn’t have guessed either of those facts about me). I’m much more proficient at the latter! I could tell from last year’s performance that I would not fit in very well. If you understand music and would be interested, contact Stephen Gennette.

(Continued on page 21)
Raylene Thompson, Meredith Lewis and Randy Schreiber welcomed guests to a well-attended ‘90s party at The Place Downtown in Kingsland last Friday night. Live entertainment was provided by the “UnMuted” band (see page 13).

The youth group from Harriett Baptist Church in Miles (near San Angelo) pumped gas and washed windshields at Buddies Convenience Store on Tuesday evening as part of a mission trip to Kingsland this week. One hundred customers were given $15 worth of free gas courtesy of U-Too Ministries.

Members of the Harriett Baptist Church youth group helped welcome local families to these inflatable water slides at the U-Too Ministries location on RR 1431 in Kingsland on Wednesday.

New officers were recently installed at the Kingsland Masonic Lodge (#1424). From left, in this courtesy photo, are: Gene Broadway (Treasurer), Ken Rushing (Chaplain), Robert O’Donnell (Jr. Deacon), Trip Hogwood (Jr. Steward), Jim Simmons (Senior Warden), Matthew Whitaker (Master), Brian Banks (Jr. Warden), Tracy Schiemeren (Secretary), Jayson White (Senior Deacon), Jeff Parker (Tiler), Taylor Delz (Senior Steward).
Carmen Jenkel poses in front of her new Hill Country Gympsi business, part of the growing collection of unique retailers at Hill Country Shops, located on RR 1431 between Kingsland and Highland Haven. The complex also hosts vendors at a “Market Days” event on the second weekend of each month.

Members of the “Friends of Kingsland Library” group gathered there for Tuesday’s drawing of the winning ticket in their annual raffle. Katy Scarborough was the lucky winner of a new grill and BBQ supplies. Pictured (from left): Gayle Shirey, Betty Goolsby, Library Director Amber Milum, Gay Baskin, ticket-drawer Siboney Aguilar and Lynette Williams.

Young guests learned some basics of rocket propulsion by pointing untied inflated balloons upward and releasing them into the air. The entertaining and educational event was part of the library’s S.T.E.A.M. program (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math).
The O2 Kool air conditioning company entered one of the most colorful floats in this year’s Aqua Boom Land Parade in Kingsland.

The Kingsland American Legion (Post #437) continued its “revitalization” effort by entering this decorated golf cart (staffed by Adjutant Michael Janto and Commander Michael Wheeler) in the July 4 parade.

Highland Safety Center (Auto Repair) enter this patriotically-decorated hot rod in Thursday’s Aqua Boom Land Parade.

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Llano's Rock 'n Riverfest was held at Badu Park, on the north bank of the Llano River, last Saturday. The car show was staged in the American Legion Hall parking lot.

Exciting rides were part of the festivities at Badu Park for the Rock 'n Riverfest in Llano last Saturday.

Rows of vendor booths provided a variety of wares and activities during the Riverfest event at Badu Park.

One of the bands which provided quality live entertainment was Llano's own "Avogadro's Number" band, featuring vocals by local musical celebrity McKenzie Jones.
Jet Ski races were one of the big events at Llano’s Rock ‘n Riverfest event at Badu Park last Saturday, and a crowd lined up along the river bank to watch. The big Riverfest also included a Pet Parade, Children’s Parade (see photos on page 10), a car show, live music, rides and other activities, vendors and a fireworks show.

The O2 Kool Creamery bus from Kingsland was on hand to sell ice cream on a warm Saturday afternoon, just one of many vendors in Badu Park for the Riverfest event.

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You are invited to hear a presentation on DNA: education, testing, results and interpretation by Randy Whited, a director for the Texas State Genealogical Society and a genealogy researcher for over thirty years. Randy also serves on the Board of Directors for the Federation of Genealogical Societies, and is a columnist for FGS FORUM.

The program will begin at 2 p.m. at the Kingsland Library, in the large meeting room. Refreshments are provided by HLGS. Please RSVP.

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The Highland Lakes Quilt Guild presented a scholarship to Courtney Crimm, who is enrolled in the "Texas Tech Teachers Program." Pictured (from left): Mary Kay Otto (program chair), Courtney Crimm and Roxanne Dunnegan (Highland Lakes Quilt Guild President)

This picture shows some of the "dine-in" customers at the Hoover Valley VFD's breakfast taco fundraiser in the fire hall last Saturday.

Experienced artists at the Llano Fine Art Gallery gave some pointers at a Kids Art Camp on Tuesday. The camp will continue for the next two Tuesdays (see ad on page 13).
Music Around the Lakes

Above: The Gary Lee Cox Band entertained the crowd at Llano’s Rock ‘n Riverfest last Saturday afternoon.

At left: Well-known area musicians Chris Reeves and John Arthur Martinez provided live entertainment at the Marble Falls Senior Activity Center for an Independence Day celebration last Friday.

Below: UnMuted (Chris Desormeaux, Zane Lewis, Ben Thompson and Felicia Patterson) entertained a good crowd in a ’90s party at The Place Downtown last Friday.

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The Children’s Parade was (once again) one of the most charming events at Kingsland’s huge Aqua Boom festival. This year’s Aqua Boom was the 50th Annual event; it began with a boat parade, BBQ and fireworks show in 1970.

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Above: The group of former Enloe’s Outlaws skiers gathered for their traditional prayer before beginning last Thursday’s show. Above, right: skiers wait (with flags) at the new Boat Town marina for their opening act to begin.

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Karlie Wyatt became the Enloe’s Outlaws’ newest star as she carried the American flag in this “pyramid” formation. She is the daughter of former Enloe’s Outlaw Tonya Gutierrez Wyatt, pictured at left in the photo above.

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The Grand Finale was an emotional tribute by Wendy Enloe Smith to her parents, Kingsland heroes David and Pat Enloe. The new bridge across the Llano River arm of Lake LBJ (from which these pictures were taken) will be named “Enloe Memorial Bridge” in their honor.

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The former Enloe’s Outlaws skiers who were able to attend this year’s “50th Annual” Aqua Boom were cheered by the crowds as they rode on this float in the Land Parade last Thursday morning.

Above: Chapman Docks was one of many local businesses to enter a float in the Aqua Boom parade.

At left: Reidar Eliassen demonstrated his unique skill (playing an accordion while riding on his Segway Mini hoverboard) as part of the Aqua Boom parade.
Aqua Boon VIPs (clockwise from above): Long-time Justice of the Peace for Llano County Precinct 8, Rudy Cunningham, rode at the front of the parade in a Kingsland VFD firetruck; following, in cars, were: State Representative (and Parade Marshall) Andy Murr, Llano County Judge Ron Cunningham (son of Rudy Cunningham) and the Kingsland Chamber’s “Person of the Year,” Jerry Carrizales.

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The Highland Lakes Baptist Church (on RR 2008 in Kingsland), I feel a whole lot more comfortable there and I believe this Friday is the day for their “Community Gospel Sing.” I am often busy on Friday evenings, but when I can I really enjoy going there and singing some of the old hymns I learned in my younger days. That is a monthly event, held at 7 p.m. on every second Friday. Maybe I’ll see you there!

I had to go to Walmart over the weekend, and happened to see some folks there from the Mustang Baseball 8U All-Stars, who are trying to raise funds for a trip to the Pony World Series in Youngsville, Louisiana next weekend (July 16-20). They will have a table outside Walmart again this Friday, well-wishers will have one more chance to donate or buy raffle tickets to help pay travel expenses.

There will be a big benefit this Saturday in Llano (6 to 10 p.m. at the community center on 152W) to help with medical expenses for young William Leach (find details on Facebook).

The Kingsland American Legion (Post 843) is looking for some “younger” veterans to help revitalize the once-thriving post. Most of the original members were World War II or Korean War veterans, and attendance at the monthly meetings has dwindled. New officers were elected in February, and 13 new members have signed up so far (but they’d like to have a lot more). A “Quilts of Valor” presentation is planned for 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 27. The purpose of the American Legion is to provide a welcoming place to help veterans and their families; all veterans are urged to check it out!

I am now a member of the Llano County Historical Commission, and was able to attend a meeting on Tuesday at the Valley Spring Community Center, built as a three-room school by the WPA in 1938. The LCHC is planning a tour of historic school houses in Llano County on September 14. I hope to have more details in next week’s paper.

Also in next week’s paper, I’ll try to play “catch-up” with Aqua Boom events from Friday and Saturday, plus some of the names of winners in various contests and raffles. This week, I’ll concentrate on events from Thursday the Big Day, July 4) for my Aqua Boom coverage.

There are two more things I want to mention here. Hill Country Cats has announced a recent $3,000 grant from the Petco Foundation to support its Trap/Neuter/Return mission in Burnet and Llano Counties, and Baylor Scott & White will hold a grand opening of a new clinic at 1500 E. Polk (across from the county annex). That’s all for now. Have a good week!
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Thank you for reading the Highland Lakes Weekly!
The spectacular fireworks show over Lake LBJ provided a fitting close for a wonderful Independence Day in Kingsland. The photos in this paper are just a sampling; hundreds more pictures can be seen on the "Highland Lakes Weekly" Facebook page.

The Motts band, from Austin, entertained the crowd at the park by the new "Enloe Memorial Bridge" during the early evening, right up until it was time for the fireworks display.

Llano Animal Rescue

This is Luna Blue, or you can just call him Blue. He's an energetic Blue Lacy that's around 1 year old. And talk about energy - he can run and play for a long time - he's very athletic. He's also a love bug who really enjoys hugs, kisses & getting his back rubbed. He's been neutered and weighs about 45 pounds. After getting to know him, we feel that Blue is not really a city dog - he will thrive where he has lots of room to run and jump. He also does much better with older children than younger ones. We know he'll make a great addition to your family, so please open your hearts and open your home to Luna Blue. For more information on Luna Blue and all of the other great dogs available for foster or adoption, like Llano Animal Rescue on Facebook and then look at that page. Or call them at 325-247-4963.
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