Dirty Rotten Scoundrels!
(at the Hill Country Community Theatre)

Singing, dancing, witty repartee and lots of lowdown skulduggery characterize the light-hearted comedy “Dirty Rotten Scoundrels” now playing at the Hill Country Community Theatre in Cottonwood Shores. Four shows are scheduled for each of the next three weekends, with 7:30 p.m. performances each Thursday, Friday and Saturday, plus a 2:15 matinee each Sunday until August 4. The photo above was taken at Wednesday evening’s final dress rehearsal; more photos can be seen on page 11, and a whole album has been posted on the “Highland Lakes Weekly” Facebook page.
Dirty Rotten Scoundrels

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The talented actors of the Hill Country Community Theatre will present the comedy “Dirty Rotten Scoundrels” in four shows in each of the next three weekends (7:30 p.m. shows on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, plus a 2:15 matinee on Sundays), July 18 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 Rodeo will be held on Friday and Saturday nights, July 19 and 20. Adam Fears will provide music for a dance following Saturday night’s rodeo action.

The Vineyard B&B at Lost Creek Ranch (on RR 2233 near Sunrise Beach) will host its Rock the Vines Harvest Festival from 7 to 11 p.m. on Saturday, July 20. There will be a music with guest Sunny Jim, Donny Brewer, George Gurganus, plus grape stomping, wine and chocolate. Call 844-784-3822 or visit themayartband.com for reservations. Rooms are available for overnight guests.

Lakepoint LBJ in Kingsland will host a “66s Beach Party with Beatles tribute band “The Eggmen” from 7 to 10 p.m. on Saturday, July 20. The event will also include games, a dance contest, a 60s costume contest and a photo booth. The Llano Community Theatre group will present “Miss 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.

The Llano ISD’s Back to School Blast will be held at Packaddle Elementary School in Kingsland, from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, July 27. The event will feature free school supplies, backpacks, socks, and shoes, free services and basically everything a student (Pre-K through 12th grade) needs to start their school year off successfully.

The Marble Falls Rodeo (last year’s event pictured above) will be held this Friday and Saturday evenings. Adam Fears will provide live music for a dance following the rodeo action on Saturday night.

By JOHN HALLLOWELL

A Quilt of Valor presentation will be made by the Texas Hills Quilters at the Kingsland American Legion Post at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 27. Noted artist Kim Roberts 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.llanofineartsguild.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.

Cathy Harding Bellars will present a hands-on palette knife demo at the Llano Fine Art Guild from 10 to noon on Monday, August 5. The demo cost (just $5.00) includes a potluck lunch at noon, provided by Guild members. The regular monthly meeting of the Llano Fine Art Guild is held at 1 p.m.

Bertram will host its 42nd annual Oatmeal Festival on the Friday evening and Saturday before Labor Day, August 30 & 31.

The Highland Lakes Pregnancy Resource Center will hold its annual Celebrate Life event at 6:30 p.m. on September 10, at Hill Country Fellowship in Burnet.

The Ladies in Leather Motorcycle Parade and Rally will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 13-15 at the JLK Event Center in Llano.

Open Door Recovery House will hold its annual Golf Tournament fundraiser at 1 p.m. on Sunday, September 15, at Apple Rock in Horseshoe Bay West.

Llano will host its National Dance Day at Badu Park on Saturday, September 21. Optional practice sessions will be held at 9 a.m. on September 7 and September 14, also at Badu Park. All skill levels are welcome (and last year’s participants ranged in age from 7 to 84).
Aqua Boom is over, and the “dog days” of summer are here. It’s almost time for my annual vacation. My custom has been to see whether July or August will be the month with five Fridays (five paychecks) in a normal month) and take a week off, either the last week of July or the first week of August. This has been a huge “benefit” for me in a job with no benefits, allowing me to get some quality time with my family and, giving me a break during a “slow” time for business (and a HOT time for Texas weather). This year’s vacation was not given. I racked up some big credit card bills (plus an extra monthly payment for my new delivery van) in February and March, thus I had to make up for a real dent in them until the middle of June. It was really just last week that I started feeling confident enough to plan a vacation, and this one (instead of a road trip with one of my kids) will just be a week in Walla Walla, WA, where my father, two brothers and two sisters live (plus a crowd of nephews, nieces, etc.). I haven’t been to Walla Walla since my mother’s funeral two years ago, so I’m very happy to be planning this trip, but I really didn’t feel so much in need of a vacation this year as I had in the last few years. Growing the paper during these last few months has been a big adventure (it feels quite a bit like the first year I published the Highland Lakes Weekly, simultaneously exhausting and exhilarating) and I am thrilled almost every week with the extra pictures that I can fit. I believe I am doing a better job serving the community this year, and the feedback I’ve received is almost overwhelmingly positive. I want to thank everyone who has complimented my “new and improved” paper, you have no idea how much that adds to my job satisfaction!

Anyway, I’m sort of giving two weeks notice this week that there will be no August issue of the Highland Lakes Weekly. I am definitely planning to take a week off (and hoping to get to Alaska Walla Walla during that time). Even during that “slow week” in the middle of the summer, there is always something going on around the Highland Lakes. I will try to let you know what’s on tap for that week in next week’s issue, and I’ll find something to put in the August 9th edition if I don’t have any action photos from the weekend before.

In the meantime, there are a couple of things that I wanted to mention. One is the Back-to-School Bash Drive, organized by Elizabeth Lilly, at her mother’s Pezzola Salon & Spa in Kingsland (106 Cottonwood Drive). She is collecting all sizes of new shoes and/or shoebox until July 25 to donate to Uluino ISD’s Back to School Bash on July 27 at Peckskill Elementary School. Donors will receive a chance to win a drawing for a free Microderm (whatever that is) for each pair of shoes donated. The drawing will be held on July 25 (see ad on page 21).

Also, artist Cathy Harding Belfers will present a hands-on palette knife demo at the Llano Fine Art Guild from 10 to noon on Monday, August 5. The demo cost is $5, and includes a potluck lunch provided by Guild members at noon. The regular monthly meeting of the Llano Fine Art Guild is held at 1 p.m. And the Kingsland American Legion (Post #437) is planning a “Quilts of Valor” presentation at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 27. That will have to do for now; have a great week!
Among the singers at Highland Lakes Baptist Church’s community gospel singing last Friday was this talented couple, Tracy and Randy Morgan. There was a good turnout at the informal event, held on the second Friday evening of each month, and about a dozen singers (of varying skill levels) participated.

The Kingsland American Legion and Auxiliary will host a “Quilts of Valor” presentation by the Texas Hills Quilters to area veterans at Post 437 at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 27. Pictured above (L-R) are members Michael Janto, Jerry Lindt, Annita Welborn, Bettysye Rose and Michael Wheeler.

The Kingsland Library wrapped up its 2019 Summer Reading Club children’s crafts program with fleece blankets! The Bluebonnet Quilt Guild donated fleece and cut the fringe, as well as joining other volunteers to help the children tie their own blankets to take home! The Kingsland Library appreciate all volunteers and sponsors who have made the 2019 Universe of Stories program such a wonderful success for our area children.

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Workers from DLD Enterprises made short work of the demolition job at the small building next to Timmons Insurance. This photo was taken last Tuesday; by Friday, there was nothing left but a bare slab.

Chamber of Commerce President Susan Patten addressed a crowd of Kingsland-area business people at a Breakfast Club networking meeting on Wednesday morning at the Kingsland Dairy Queen.

Larry and Kathy Franke held a ribbon-cutting for their “Larry’s Complete Floor Care” business during the Chamber’s Breakfast Club meeting on Wednesday. They recently joined the Kingsland Chamber, and were the event sponsor for the networking meeting at Dairy Queen.

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Above: Reagan Baker and Ellie Roque show off the products of spur-of-the-moment art lessons last Saturday afternoon at Calamity & Grace, on the west side of the square in Llano. Below, owner Valerie Smosal presided over a “Paint Like Bob” session on Sunday afternoon.
This painting at the Falls on the Colorado Museum, in Marble Falls, shows the original falls which led to the founding of the town. Each year, the museum celebrates Founders Day on or around July 12.

This new museum exhibit is an actual section of track from the original railroad to Granite Mountain, the source of granite for the Texas state capitol building.

Another fairly recent museum exhibit is this reconstructed bison skeleton, discovered at nearby Rocky Creek.

Members of the Highland Lakes SPCA brought some very appealing dogs, all eligible for adoption, to a show-n-shine at the museum during the Founders Day festivities.
During the Founders Day celebration at the Falls on the Colorado Museum in Marble Falls last Saturday, local historian Sam Burnam gave a talk on the effects of the Chisholm Trail on ranchers in the Marble Falls area. The event commemorates the founding of Marble Falls by General Adam R. Johnson and his partners on July 12, 1887.

One of the museum's newest exhibits is this "geological history" display. It features mineral specimens from different rock formations in the area, including (at left): Cow Creek Limestone, Smithwick Shale, Marble Falls Limestone and San Saba Limestone.

Llano Lions Club

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The community came out in force last Saturday evening to support the family of 1-year-old William Leach, who suffers from a rare brain disease. The Llano County Community Center was packed with well-wishers (above), including an army of good-hearted volunteers (below) who helped cook and serve the meal.
In one of many comical scenes in the comedy “Dirty Rotten Scoundrels,” now showing at Hill Country Community Theatre in Cottonwood Shores, bullets fly as an oil heiress (Kim Fehlis) gives her con man “boyfriend” (Sethl Smith) some dancing lessons. The play describes the hilarious misadventures of the usually-suave con man and his apprentice, who make a living swindling wealthy women on the French Riviera.

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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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Last Saturday's Llano Country Opry featured country music stars Tony Booth (above) and Darrell McCall (below).

Well-known guitarist Chris Reeves showed off his vocal skills at last Saturday's Llano Country Opry.

Burnet High School graduate Ryan Holley, now lead singer for the Journey tribute band Departure ATX, brought a couple of the band members to Wakepoint LBJ in Kingsland last Saturday night.
Music Around the Lakes

Above: The Enloe Boys (no relation to the Kingsland Enloes) put on a great show at Wakepoint LBJ last Friday night.

At left: Eric Schuessler and Jenny Kelso, of Cadillac Gypsies, provided live music for guests at Torr Na Lochs Winery last Saturday afternoon.

Below: The Southern Underground band entertained guests at the William Leach Benefit in Llano (see page 10) last Saturday.

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SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT
Llano County Judge Ron Cunningham was the speaker at Tuesday evening's meeting of the Lake Buchanan Conservation Corporation, held at Hill Country Hall in Buchanan Dam. He discussed several issues related to the lakes, including flood debris cleanup, making sure the county was reimbursed for extra expenses resulting from the flood, the establishment of command centers on both sides of the Llano River, and the formation of a new Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).
The Marble Falls Rodeo opened Wednesday night with a Junior Rodeo, hosted at the Charley Taylor Arena by the Burnet County 4-H Horse Club. Future rodeo stars (18 and under) honed their skills by competing in pole bending (at right), goat ribbon racing, flag race and barrels. The Pro Rodeo will be held in the same arena this Friday and Saturday.
The old Gatti's Pizza, next to H.E.B. in Kingsland is closed, and this beautiful and spacious new building will take its place sometime next week. Owner Joe Scribner, who describes the new restaurant as a "baby GattiTown," expects to open for business "on Monday or Tuesday." See more pictures on page 18, and many more on the "Highland Lakes Weekly" Facebook page.

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Above: Founding board member Scooter Sanders presents the keys to a Ford Bronco to raffle winner Charles Black, of Round Mountain. At left, he addresses the crowd before the beginning of the live auction. There was also a silent auction at the event, which raised thousands of dollars for His Joshua House.
Chamber volunteers Chuck Lacalade and Chris Carl waited on a steady stream of participants in the July 6 Aqua Boom Poker run (above). They presented prizes to “High Hand” winner Leland Harrington (above, right) and two participants split the “Low Hand” award. Elizabeth Casbeer (Leland Harrington’s sister) and Megan Brown (pictured with her son, Carter, and her mother, Cheryl Ernst, below right).

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Among the players were: Ben Smith, John Hollowell, Jerry Carrizales, Clay Click, Tara McAllister, Britt Stephenson, Cory Duval and David Cadell.

Also participating in the Aqua Boom tournament were: Mark Atkins, Reagan Lambert, Bob Tuttle and Larry Anderson.

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Above: Aqua Boom Director Wendy Taylor enlisted the help of Miss Aqua Boom Hattie Blair to draw winning tickets in the Aqua Boom raffles. Lisa Simpson won the Sea Doo; Casey Blair won the Jon Boat.
Below: Darryl Miller won the Horseshoe Pitch Tournament at Kingsland Community Park on Friday.

A good-sized group of washer-pitchers competed in that tournament, also held at the Kingsland Community Park on Friday.
Saturday night's Aqua Boom Street Dance (held in front of the First United Bank) featured the music of Kingsland's popular River Rat Revue band (above right). The newly-crowned Aqua Boom Royalty was pressed into service once again, making yet another public appearance in the week-long festival.

A cheerful crowd of dancers filled the First United Bank parking lot during the July 6 Street Dance. Among them (pictured above) was Miss Aqua Boom 2001, Krissi Riewel!

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