Back to School Bashes!

Large crowds gathered for Back-to-School Bashes at Packsaddle Elementary in Kingsland (pictured above) on July 27, and at Marble Falls Middle School on August 3. The event sponsors provided free backpacks full of school supplies, free shoes, free health screenings and Care-a-Van appointments for hundreds of students, plus lots of food and children’s activities. See more photos from Packsaddle’s “Bash” on page 4 (and many more on the HLW Facebook page).
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Upcoming Events
Bryant Enterprises Family Entertainment will present a Balloon Show from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 10, at the Uptown Theatre in Marble Falls. David the Balloon Twister will add the fun and games with balloon magic, balloon animals, and a dance number by the “Pup Patrol.” Kids will have a chance to take pictures with the characters after the show.

By JOHN HALLOWELL
Highland Lakes Baptist Church, on RR 2900 in Kingsland, will host its monthly Community Gospel Sing at 7 p.m. on Friday, August 9.

London Balleigh and the Saguaro band will be performing at Llano’s recently re-opened Badu 1891 restaurant this Friday evening, beginning at 7 p.m. Hill Country Shops, on RR 1431 just east of Kingsland, will host its Music and Market Days, featuring live music by Wake Eastram on Saturday evening, on Friday through Sunday, August 9-11.

Wakepoint LBJ, at the 1431 bridge in Kingsland, will be hosting Hydroflight lessons (“flying” with a water-powered jetpack) from 10 to 7 on Saturday, August 10.

The Ritzy Texan, on Hwy 29 at Main Street in Burnet, invites the public to meet its artists at a First Anniversary celebration from 2 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, August 10.

Open auditions are set for Saturday, August 10 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Hill Country Community Theatre’s annual Talent Show, scheduled for 7:30 on Saturday and 2:15 on Sunday, August 17 & 18.

The Uptown Theatre in Marble Falls will host a balloon show with Bryant Enterprises Family Entertainment from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 10. David the Balloon Twister will add the fun and games with balloon magic, balloon animals, and a dance number by the “Pup Patrol.” Kids will have a chance to take pictures with the characters after the show.

The Cross & Spurs Cowboy Church, at Lillian Dean and RR 1431 in Buchanan Dam, will host a Jackpot Team Roping at 6 p.m. on Saturday, August 10. Call Jim Cowan at 325-248-8445 for details.

Randy White, a director for the Texas State Genealogical Society will discuss DNA education, testing, results, and interpretation at a meeting of the Highland Lakes Genealogy Society, scheduled for 2 p.m. on Tuesday, August 13, at the Kingsland Library. Visitors are welcome; refreshments are provided by HLS.

Master Gardener Willard Horn will speak on “Container Gardening - Year Round” at the Lakeside Library in Buchanan Dam. The free program is scheduled for 2 p.m. on Wednesday, August 14. Call 325-379-1174 to reserve a seat.

The Burnet CISD will host “Meet the Teacher” events at elementary schools from 4 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, August 15, followed by “Meet the Bulldogs” at Burnet High School from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

The Llano Lions Club will hold a “Sporting Clays for a Cause” event to benefit the club’s scholarship program, at the historic Hiko Ranch on Saturday, August 17. Entry forms are available at the Llano Chamber office.

The Llano County Opry will feature Trec Twittle and Tayla Lynn in a 2:30 p.m. show on Saturday, Llano Theatre on Saturday, August 17.

The Camp Agape 5K Run and Kids’ Walk. Pre-register at www.athleticgala.com for $25 and receive a t-shirt on race day. Kids 12 years and younger pay only $10. Late registration is $5 more, and t-shirts will be provided only while they last. Great fun day in downtown Llano is a bereavement camp for kids who have lost a loved one; a balloon release ceremony to honor lost loved ones will be held after the race. Contact Bonny Rolfe at 512-962-8134 for more details.

The Llano County Historical Museum will host a special Citizens at Large - “The Women’s Suffrage Movement in Texas exhibit, on loan from Humanities Texas from August 21 to September 14. It will be accompanied by exhibits on the Llano Women’s Culture Club, Women in Llano Government and other Notable Llano County Women to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the passing of the Nineteenth Amendment, which gave women the right to vote. A free movie (“Iron Jawed Angels”) will be shown at the Llano Library at 7 p.m. on Friday, August 23 (popcorn and drinks will be served). There will also be a luncheon at 11 a.m. on Saturday, August 24, at the Llano ISD Community Room, with a period luncheon menu (catered by Kev's in Bailey) and period live music; Llano

(Continued on page 23)
While I was carrying the Highland Lakes Weekly to Washington state last weekend, my friends were taking a copy to Ohio. James Riewe was helping his daughter Kristi to move to Cuyahoga Falls, where she will begin her new job as an Assistant Professor in Fashion Design at Kent State University next week. They took a short detour on the way, to visit the Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky (below).

Scatterthought

I had a great vacation, but this paper will probably not be the best I’ve produced. Not only am I suffering from “vacation-lag,” but I was gone from Sunday, July 28, to Sunday, August 4, and most of the events covered in this issue of the Highland Lakes Weekly were held nearly two weeks ago. So I’ll ask you to be patient and I promise that I’ll do better next week (but I really needed a vacation, and it was really good to see my father and the other family members in Walla Walla).

I have several things to mention here, so I’ll try not to ramble too much.

First of all, Kingsland and Bertram have already started signing up Little Leaguers for a “Fall Ball” baseball season. If you are closer to Kingsland, you can sign up at the Little League fields (behind the community center on Rose Hill Drive) from 6 to 9 this Thursday and Friday, 8 to 2 on Saturday (August 8-10) and the same hours next weekend. If you are closer to Bertram, you can sign up online until August 18 or at the Herman Brown Free Library in Burnet from 9 to 1 this Saturday, August 10 (call Chad Smith at 512-413-4112 for details).

The Llano Youth Soccer Association will be holding registration and evaluations at the soccer complex (in front of the J&K Event Center) from 9 to noon this Saturday, August 10. Call Deana Kenner at 512-423-0288 for details.

There’s been a lot of news from the Hill Country Community Theatre in Cottonwood Shores. Not only was the last production ("Dirty Rotten Scoundrels") a huge success, but auditions were held last week for the musical comedy “More Senior Moments” (scheduled to show in September), and auditions for this year’s Talent Show are scheduled for 1 to 3 p.m. this Saturday (August 10).

The talent show, which was such a big success last year that Mike Rademakers is planning two performances this year, features a variety of acts. If you are a singer or a storyteller, a musician or a magician, a (Continued on page 15)
About 600 students received free backpacks filled with school supplies at the Llano ISD’s “Back to School Bash” in Kingsland on July 27. The Marble Falls ISD hosted an even bigger “Bash” on August 3, at the Marble Falls Middle School.

Bounce houses, face painting, free health screenings and appointments at Seton’s Care-a-Van were just some of the attractions at the Back-to-School Bash in Kingsland. Volunteers from local businesses and civic groups offered free haircuts, eye screening, a free “shoe store” and more. In the photo below, Valerie Smasal (of Calamity & Grace, in Llano) directs art-related activities.
The beautiful new Enloe Memorial Bridge, on RR 2900, is the most visible sign of Kingsland's recovery from the devastating flood last October, but there are many other evidences of progress all along the shores of Lake LBJ.

The patio and marina at Boat Town Burger Bar are looking better than ever, and a new stage provides an attractive music venue (with regular events) overlooking the lake.

These four beautiful new homes (which are on high ground, and did not get flooded last October) have been completed next door to Boat Town in the months since the big flood. At least one of them is still available!

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Natalie

The thriving Llano County 4-H Club, sponsored by the Texas Agri-Life Extension Office in Llano, held its annual fundraising banquet at St. James Lutheran Church on Tuesday evening.

Local craftsman John Newell posed with this beautiful mesquite-and-topaz table top at the 4-H banquet. He has donated a hand-made mesquite item each of the past six years to be auctioned at the Llano County Wild Game Dinner (scheduled this year for September 7).

Cathy Harding Bollars held a well-attended palette knife demo at the Llano Fine Arts Gallery on Monday morning.
Dirty Rotten Scoundrels

Even as a nefarious plot goes hilariously awry (above), two of the characters in the Hill Country Community Theatre’s excellent production of “Dirty Rotten Scoundrels” (played by Karin Frasier and Jordan Jones, at left) managed to find true love. Just as the play seems to be nearing its conclusion, one of the “scoundrels” (below) comes up with a whole new scam! The play was a huge success, with good crowds at all 12 shows. The theatre will be presenting its popular annual Talent Show on August 17 & 18.

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The wacky principal (played by George Fricke) explains to the kindly teacher (Lisa Rogers) how important her success would be to his career.

The students (played by Micah Davis, Natalie Rogers, Andy Gilliland, James Greenwood, Abby Davis, Avery Rogers and Denton Machuga) are startled by a MEAN substitute teacher the next morning.
The “students” in the Llano Community Theatre group’s entertaining play enlist the services of a “detective” (played by Geraldine Rub), with hilarious results.

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The Highland Lakes Genealogy Society invites you to a meeting at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, August 13, in the large meeting room of the Kingsland Library.

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 biggest musical event of the Highland Lakes Weekly’s week off was a very well-attended concert by Kevin Fowler at Haley Nelson Park in Burnet. The photo above, left, was submitted by James Riwe.

Above, right: Well-known local musician George Gurganus entertained guests at The Vineyard B&B at Lost Creek Ranch, on RR 2233 near Sunrise Beach, during Wednesday’s “Pizza Night” event there.

Jamie Hanks and her “2-Timin’ Country” band provided live entertainment on the deck of the Club Car Bar in Kingsland on July 27.

Tayla Lynn and Tre Twitty will present a tribute to their legendary grandparents, Loretta Lynn and Conway Twitty, at the Llano Country Opry at 2:30 p.m. next Saturday (August 17).
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Commissioner Mike Sandovall (Llano County; Precinct #3) is asking lakefront property owners to email commission@co.llano.tx.us (Subject: Lake LBJ Jan 2020 Lowering Request) with a brief reason (dock repair, etc.) with their name and lake address if they support a lowering of Lake LBJ next January. The matter will be on the agenda of the Llano Commissioners Court for their August 26 meeting.

The Hill Country Humane Society will participate in National Clear the Shelters Day from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, August 17, and adoptions will be just $20 (plus a $50 refundable spay/neuter deposit). The Llano County Historical Museum is celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the passing of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution (Women’s Voting Rights). It was passed by congress in 1919 and ratified by states in 1920. To celebrate this occasion, the museum will host a special exhibit on loan from Humanities Texas and free movie ("Iron Jawed Angels") at the Llano Library at 7 p.m. on Friday, August 23 ( popcorn and drinks will be served). There will also be a luncheon

at 11 a.m. on Saturday, August 24, at the Llano ISD Community Room, with a period luncheon menu (catered by Kevin Bailey) and period live music; Llano Suffragettes will also be there with signs and banners and stories. Luncheon tickets are $15 and must be purchased ahead of time.

The Llano County Historical Commission will be hosting a van tour of historic Llano County schoolhouses on September 14. Two vans with a total seat capacity of 25 will leave from the Llano Depot Visitors Center at 9 a.m. and return around 4-5:00 p.m. with a lunch stop in Castell. Tickets are $10. I'll have more details in coming weeks. A 2019 Jeep Cherokee Latitude will be the Grand Prize in the raffle at St. John's Catholic Church's Fall Festival, scheduled for 9 to 6:30 on Sunday, October 20. The event (at 105 RR 141E in Marble Falls), will feature food, crafts, live music, a silent auction and children's activities and more. Call 830-693-5134 for details.

Looking a little bit farther down the road, CASA for the Highland Lakes has announced that Johnson Sewell Ford Lincoln will be the Presenting Sponsor of its annual Boots & BBQ fundraiser, scheduled for Saturday, November 9, at the Lakeside Pavilion in Marble Falls.

Mike Rademaekers, Executive Director of the Hill Country Community Theatre, presented this year's $1,000 Phyl Holbert College Scholarship to Charles McLean for his outstanding contributions to HCCCT. In addition to performing on the Hill Country Community Theatre stage in "Annie Get Your Gun," "Rabbit Hole," and "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels," Charles has often volunteered his time, and was the stage manager for "State Fair." Charles will be attending Texas State University this September to earn a BFA in Theatre with a teacher's certification.

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A good crowd of quilters, veterans and well-wishers gathered at Kingsland’s American Legion Hall (off RR 2545) as the ladies of Texas Hills Quilters honored about a dozen veterans with unique, handmade patriotic-themed Quilts of Valor in an impressive ceremony on July 27. See more pictures on page 18, and many more on the “Highland Lakes Weekly” Facebook page.

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Commander Mike Wheeler, of Kingsland’s American Legion Post #437, addresses the crowd before the July 27 Quilts of Valor presentation. Red-shirted members of Texas Hills Quilters, who made the quilts, line the wall to his right.

Two of the quilt recipients were Rudy Moreno (above), of Marble Falls, and Edwin Overstreet (at right), of Llano. About a dozen Quilts of Valor were presented at the July 27 event.

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Above: Dub Miller and Bill Tuckness played classic country music for guests at the Castell VFD BBQ fundraiser on July 27.

At left: County Commissioner Jerry Don Moss, his son Aaron Moss and Jalen Bauman were three of the cooks at the Castell VFD’s huge BBQ on July 27.

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The photo above shows a few of the many boats at Llano County Park for the “Rippin Lips for Red” charity Bass Tournament, held on Lake Buchanan on Saturday, July 27.

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The crowd of anglers was gathering in the tent for the final weigh-in when this picture was taken that afternoon.

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Clay Caster, Andy Armendariz and Blake Crenshaw provided live music for the crowd at the July 27 “Rippin Lips for Red” Bass Tournament, based at the Llano County Park on Lake Buchanan. The charity event raised funds for the Cade Riley Memorial Fund, which provides scholarships for local students. This tournament is unique in that it offers scholarship payouts to youth anglers in addition to cash payouts.

EVENTS: (Continued from Page 2)

Suffragettes will also be there with signs and banners and stories. Lunch tickets are $15 and must be purchased ahead of time. The museum’s normal hours are 10 – 4, Wednesday through Saturday.

Fall Creek Vineyards, (8122 CR 222, in Tow) will hold its 30th Annual HarvestFest from 11 to 5 on Saturday, August 24. The event will feature live music by Grammy-winner Alex Harvey.

A fundraiser benefit for Kaylee Bennighth, who is battling Hodgkin’s Lymphoma, will be held at the Burnet fairgrounds beginning at 2 p.m. on Saturday, August 24. The event will include BBQ, washer tourney, raffle baskets and more.

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

A Slip & Stroll Art Show and Sale will be held at the Sunrise Beach Civic Center (124 Sunrise Drive) from 10 to 5 on Saturday, August 31. A wide variety of art will be on display, and refreshments will be available. Proceeds benefit the SRD Volunteer Fire Department.

Col. Allen West, a well-known Army officer, author and former Florida congressman, will be the guest of honor at a fund-raiser for the Burnet County Republican Party, scheduled for September 8.

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.

The Highland Lakes Family Crisis Center will host its 36th annual golf tournament fundraiser at Delawor Springs in Burnet, beginning at 1 p.m. on Saturday, September 14.

Johnny Rodriguez will be the featured entertaine in two shows (2:30 and 7:30) at the Llano Country Opry on Saturday, September 14.

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

The Peddler Show will be coming to Llano’s JLF Event Center on the weekend of September 20-22, with juried artists, crafters, jewelers, designers, boutiques and unique vendors from all over the country.

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