Pilot Point

Pilot Point • Aubrey • Tioga • Collinsville • Valley View • Lake Kiowa • Mountain Springs WINTER 2021

Guide



PILOT POINT HISTORIC SQUARE WALKING TOUR

It's Grinchy Time

Meet North Texas Media Group, LLC Team Enjoy the History of The Square

SERVING THE 380 CORRIDOR SINCE 2005





NORTH TEXAS MEDIA GROUP, LLC

Andrews Galde Ardmore Gald

380Guide.com



972.658.2033

CONTENTS

PUBLISHERS

Jodie Linton-Prickett and David Prickett

EDITORIAL

EXECUTIVE EDITOR Jodie Linton-Prickett

DIRECTOR OF SALES David Prickett

ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY

ART AND CREATIVE DIRECTOR Mariah Acevedo

CONTRIBUTING WRITERS

Jodie Linton-Prickett, Wendy Haun, City of Pilot Point, Pilot Point Main Street, Jay Melugin

ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY

Jodie Linton-Prickett, Wendy Haun, City of Pilot Point, Pilot Point Main Street, Dreamstime, David Prickett, Harry Jean, Richard Giratdoux, Beau Foster, Broken Trail Productions, Mariah Acevedo, Elizabeth Jones, LizzyGator, Justine Wollaston, Julian Prickett, Taylor Marquis, Daniel Acevedo, WeirdoWeddings

HOW TO REACH US

MAILING ADDRESS

P.O. Box 399, Aubrey, Texas 76227

PHYSICAL ADDRESS 301 South Washington Street, Pilot Point, TX 76227

> WEBSITE www.380Guide.com

GENERAL SALES 972-658-2033 info@380Guide.com

Distribution 10,000 Readership 30,000 Copyright 2021 North Texas Publishing Group, LLC, DBA 380Guide™

Pilot Point Guide™ is a quarterly publication reaching over 30,000 readers every issue. Opinions in Pilot Point Guide™ do not necessarily reflect the viewpoint of the publisher. Pilot Point Guide™ makes every attempt to ensure the accuracy of the information it publishes, but cannot be held accountable for any consequences arising from inaccuracies or omissions. Pilot Point Guide™ is mailed free to the communities in the 377 corridor. All rights reserved. Reproduction in whole or in part is strictly prohibited without expressed written consent from the editor. Proud members of:















ON THE COVER:

Jay Melugin, Pilot Point's Living Legend, Historian, Author, Songwriter, Festival Developer, Filmmaker, Chef and Ordained Minister. Photo captured by Richard Giratdoux.















IN THIS ISSUE

- 4 Meet North Texas Media Group, LLC Team
- 6 Enjoy the History of The Square
- 7 Jay Melugin's Pilot Point Historic Square Walking Tour
- 11 It's Grinchy Time
- 12 Around Town
- 14 You Can Take It With You

www.380guide.com/pilot-point-guide

Meet Our Jean North Texas Media Group, LLC



Meet Jodie Linton-Prickett

Publisher and Executive Editor 380News, 380Guide, Pilot Point Guide and Ardmore Guide

Jodie and her husband David started 380Guide.com in 2004 followed by their community driven magazines and newspaper.

As a small business owner, Jodie wears multiple hats with the publications. She scouts out interesting, family friendly events, community organizations, inspiring businesses and interesting individuals to highlight in articles, works with creating personalized advertising and branding plans for clients, networks in the communities served by the publications, writes articles and takes photographs. Her feel good articles are informative and easy reads increasing the longevity of each publication. Her hyper-local focus makes her publications stand out against others that use canned articles for content. This gives the publication a fresh insight to topics in the reader's own backyards.

Jodie is an active member of several Chambers. She served on the board of directors for Aubrey Chamber of Commerce for seven years where she was Vice President for two years and President for one. She was an Ambassador for the Denton Chamber of Commerce for two years, served on the Boy Scout Board for Troop 361 and was a founding

board member and the first president of Odysseus Chamber Orchestra in Denton. She was part of the original group that helped Bruce Thomas create Bonnie and Clyde Days in Pilot Point, Texas. She is



currently active in the Pilot Point Public Art Planning Committee.

Jodie's background is in social work, psychology and art history. She was originally published in 1998 and again in 1999 for her original studies in Eastern Art earning her a full scholarship in Art History at Oklahoma State University. After University she worked in the social field as a OMRP.

Born in a rural area, De Queen, Arkansas, she continued to spend several summers and her grandparent's farm even after she moved to Broken Arrow, Oklahoma at the age of five. She lived there until her husband had a career opportunity in the DFW area in 1998. They now split their time between the 380 Corridor and Ardmore. OK.

While living in the Tulsa and Broken Arrow area she owned Fashion Swimwear and Electric Beach Tanning Salon in the late 80's. During this time she had national modeling contracts with Bass Pro Shops and Harley Davidson as well as many local jobs. Earlier in life she

appeared as an extra in The Outsiders and in the late 80's she was an extra in UHF. In 2014, she appeared with her family and friends in a reality show, Sleeping with the Family: Taylor and Jordan, filmed by MTV UK that was picked up by 27 countries.



After she married her husband, David they started a successful restaurant in Tulsa, The Green Valley Grill and Avanti's Catering. His passion for the culinary arts won him several awards. It was this success that landed the family in Texas.

Jodie is a proud mother of two adult sons, Taylor and Julian. Taylor has played pro soccer and owned a semi pro team in Omaha. Her youngest son, Julian is an avid musician and poet.

In her downtime, she is a passionate traveler. She has traveled to forty countries and most of the States in the United States. She is enamored with central European countries and their cultures. She has spent over a year total in Hungary, Czech Republic and Poland.



She loves animals and has rescued kittens and rabbits throughout her life. Currently, the family owns four rescued ginger cats that are all brothers.

Tell Them You Found Them in Pilot Point Guide



Meet Mariah Acevedo

Creative Director for 380Guide, 380News, Pilot Point Guide and Ardmore Guide

Mariah is the creative force behind 380Guide Magazine, 380News, Pilot Point Guide and Ardmore Guide. She designs the layout of the publications, the 380Guide website, and the Ardmore Guide website. She also provides photography and cover art for the magazines. Mariah is highly skilled in creating effective ads to draw the readers in and increase the lifespan of the North Texas Media Group, LLC's publications. Mariah has over 17 years of graphic design experience including magazine and newspaper page layout, producing ads, brochures, postcards, business cards, newsletters, logos, photo editing, and portrait retouching. In addition, she has a degree in graphic design earned in 2004. "In the beginning of 2014, right after moving to Little Elm, I began working for the 380News and shortly became the Art and Creative Director for both 380Guide Magazine and the 380News. I love helping people with their creative needs," says Mariah.

She was born in Anchorage Alaska, and then moved to Louisiana and eventually to the Dallas Fort Worth area. While she has lived in the DFW area for 31 years, she has lived in the 380 Corridor



(Little Elm) for the past seven years. Mariah has been married 20 years to her

wonderful husband, Daniel. They have a rescue dog named Zoe who is a sweet and spunky fouryear-old American Staffordshire terrier.

Before Mariah attended school for graphic design, she

taught Ballroom, Latin, Country Western and Swing dance at Bronze Level. She is also passionate about music, animals and movies. Mariah enjoys playing the ukulele, watching movies with her husband, hanging out with friends and family, and teaching Zoe new tricks.



"When given a task, I am deadline driven, doing my best to get it done in a timely fashion," says Mariah. This work ethic is one of the best qualities to have in a deadline driven career. Mariah

has amazing qualities that any company looks for including being a genuine person, and incredibly productive. As a designer she has a creative imagination and great sense of humor, enabling her to be a boundless team member.





Jodie and Mariah at two of their Creative Consulting Meetings

Right: 380Guide building in Pilot Point, Texas





left: Ardmore Guide building in Ardmore, Oklahoma

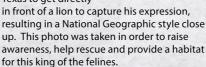


Meet David Prickett

Publisher for 380News, 380Guide, **Pilot Point Guide and Ardmore Guide**

David focuses on publishing, distribution, proofing and networking for the publications. His keen eye looks over final proofs before they go to press. Before digitalization of the press was widely available it was not unusual to find David at the printing house at all hours doing press checks with a jewelers loop up to his eye looking at fine details and matching colors to make sure they were coming off the press correctly. Nothing printed until it had his final stamp of approval. His eye for detail gave the startup magazine an expensive and professional look that other small publications were not achieving at the time.

David has also provided several of the covers over the years. He has stood at the top of St. Paul's Cathedral to get a London street view speckled with the tops of red double decker busses. He flew in a helicopter to rural Texas to get directly



The original 380Guide website and 380Guide Magazine were the brainchild of David. After moving to Savannah, TX in 2004, while most of Highway 380 was still two lanes he listened to his wife always talk about Savannah and surrounding areas being in an information vacuum. She would leave and go explore while

he was at work and when he came home she would tell him about the unusual little shops she had found. He knew she was suffering burnout in her social work career and suggested that she start a magazine and share all of her finds and experiences. While she laughed at the idea he was serious. He worked with Max Miller, current owner of Cross Timbers Gazette, to help him design a website in 2004. By 2005 the website was wildly successful and local businesses were inquiring about an actual magazine or newspaper. In early 2005 he presented the idea to his wife again and she jumped onboard. "From February to Mid-May of 2005 it was a bit like selling the Emperor's New Clothes. We had

a dream but nothing tangible to show the potential clients." said David, "However, our excitement must have been infectious because we rolled out our inaugural June/ July issue with enough contracts to secure us for a year of printing."



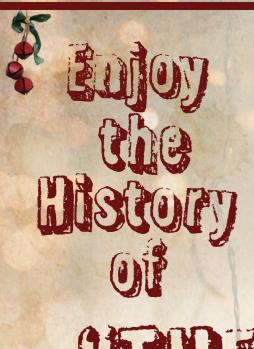
David was born in Selma, Alabama and lived in Atlanta, Georgia for a while before his father took a position with American Airlines bringing the family to the Tulsa, Oklahoma area. He grew up in Broken Arrow, a suburb of Tulsa.

David was a culinary rock star in Tulsa, Oklahoma before the Culinary Arts were cool. His first job at fifteen and a half was in the restaurant industry. It was there he learned the basics of French Cuisine. His career over the years moved from the back of the house, to the front of the house, private dining to corporate. His creativity, culinary esthetics, eye for detail and exquisite taste had him booked solid as a private chef for international Tulsa based corporate offices during lunch and elegant weddings on the weekends. While managing The Grill in downtown Tulsa he

was awarded the AAA Four Diamond Award. He also won several local awards such as the Taste of Tulsa Silver Spoon Award. In Tulsa, David owned The Green Valley Grill and Avanti's Catering, His passion for food still exists today but prefers to cook for family and friends.



David is a proud father of two sons, Taylor and Julian. He volunteered for years for his son's Boy Scout Troops. He is an active member of area Chambers and Networking Groups. In his off time he enjoys dining at local eateries, relaxing and having adventures in the outdoors, restoring old buildings and traveling the world with his family.





THE SOUNDER

Pilot Point is the oldest town in Denton County. Pioneers began settling the area in the late 1840's. The public square of the town was platted and laid out by George Newcome on Christmas Day in 1853. The Pilot Point Historic Square was originally known as "Pilot's Point" which designated a high point of timber that served as a landmark for travelers. Pilot Point was also near an early immigrant trail and was a frequent stop on the Butterfield Stage route. Above photo: Pilot Point Historic Square circa 1884 (Looking East towards Main and Jefferson).

* Historical information confirmed by local Historian Jay Melugin. Some stories are based on local folklore and legend.

* Information on pages 6-10 provided by Jay Melugin via the Pilot Point Chamber of Commerce: 940.686.5385, chamber@pilotpoint.org





2021 is here! Another year, a new decade is before us, we can only Thank God, for His Watch-care, His Protection, and His Love for us all! Feel free to join us for worship, on Saturdays, at 10:00am for small groups, or 11:10am for worship!

From our DFSDA family,

we wish you all a Blessed 2021!

Let's get ready, Jesus is coming soon!

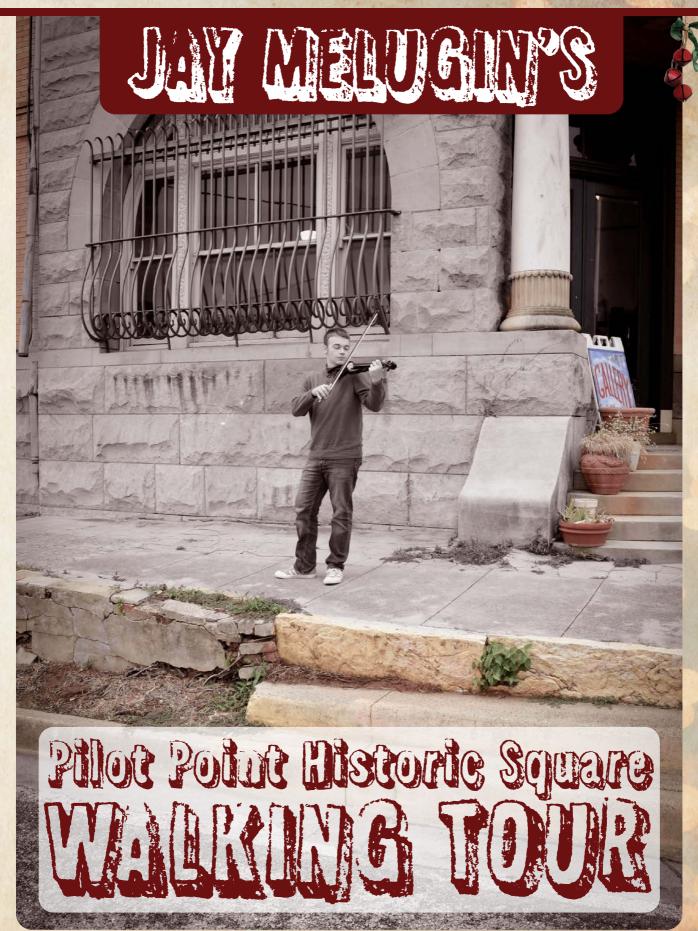
Denton First Seventh Day Adventist Church 11010 Hwy 377, Pilot Point TX 76258 Cell: 940 484 4889



Sundays 10am 611 E. Liberty, Pilot Point

760.518.6732

Gracepointnaz.net
Facebook.com/gracpointnazchurch



1. The John Hundley
Building: The building,
originally built in 1872, was
commissioned by John
Merchant and built by John
Hundley. It is the oldest brick
building in Denton County.
Currently it is The Purple
Door Day Spa. Originally, it



was home to a general store and the second floor was used frequently as a lodge hall.

2. F.A. Wright Dry Goods and Leather: Currently vacant. This building was built sometime in the 1870's and once housed F.A. Wright Dry Goods, Grocery and Leather. Later, with the advancement of electricity, it was home to the Power and Light Company. Around the same time,



the local telephone operator was on the second floor and was expected to locate wayward citizens she could spot on the Town Square. The building facade went from Victorian to Nouveau-Deco in the 1920's.

3. Star Drug Store:

Currently Pilot Point Coffee House. This building was originally built for J.W. Eddleman by John Hundley in 1873, and housed Star Drug Store. Later it was used by J.C. Selman and Son



Groceries. This building has burned down and been rebuilt four times.

4. O.A. Ross and Son Dry Goods: Newly renovated in 2018, this 1870's building has been home to Pelzel's

Barber Shop and Salon since the 1960's. Originally, the ground floor was home to O.A. Ross and Son Dry Goods while the second floor was used as a flop house. Later, Mrs. Copenhaver sold sewing notions at this location.



5. Greenberg Perlman Building:
Currently the building houses the
Justice Art Studio. The Greenberg

Perlman Building c.1885 sold silver, antiques and finery.

6. Saddlery and Saloon:

Constructed in 1885, this building served as a saddlery and saloon until 1907. During the 1920's and 1930's, it housed the Notorious Cafe and Domino Hall. In 2012, with a wink and a nod, Notoriously Yours Boutique moved in.





7. Old Barber Shop: Currently vacant, this building was constructed in 1896 and was home to a Barber Shop. During the 1920's it was turned into a small cafe and it is rumored to have been frequented by the notorious duo, Bonnie and Clyde during the early 1930's.



8. Hardware and Harness Business: Built in 1896, this vacant building was home to a hardware and harness business, but that did not last long. From 1896, until the early 1900's, Grays



Furniture and Undertaking served the community from this building. In the 1930's, it became home to a dance hall and later the building became Stephens' Grocery.

9. City Hall and Pilot Point
Police Department: Built in 1892,
this building served as the Pilot
Point National Bank until the mid
- 1960's and remains the scene of
the only unsolved bank robbery in
Pilot Point which occurred in 1932.
Donated to the City of Pilot Point,



it was renovated in 2003 and became home of Pilot Point's City Government and Police Station.

10. Midway Saloon: Built as a wood structure in the early to mid - 1880's, this building was rebuilt with brick in the early 1890's and housed one of Pilot Point's most notorious saloon and billiard halls, known as the Midway Saloon. In 1904, the last gunfight in



Pilot Point broke out in front of the saloon, and to this day you can still find bullet holes in the front facade of the building. After being vacant for many years, Martin General Store moved in in 2018 with a nod to Dry Goods stores from era's past.

11 and 12. Chandler and Company: Built in the early to mid-1880's in wood and then later rebuilt in brick, this building was originally home to Chandler and Co. believed to be a wagon and buggy



company. In the mid twentieth century, The building was partitioned and Selz and Henzler Insurance moved in and has been serving the community ever since.

13. The Mississippi Store:

The current antiques section was originally the Mississippi Store in 1876 and then served as Doc Amos' Drug Store from the mid - 1930's until the 1940's. It was popular with the local youth of the day because it had an old time soda fountain. Some say



you can still smell Doc's cigar. Currently Ab and Gail's Antiques.

14. The Gaslight
Building: Currently
Square Center is now the
home of a lawnmower
repair and parts store. In
c. 1876 it was originally
G.W. Davidsons and Co.
Dry Goods and Clothiers.



15. Almond's Cash
Grocery Store: Currently
vacant. This building was
built in 1882. It housed
Almond's Cash and Grocery
and then later Stephens
Grocery in the mid - 20th
century until they moved to
the north side of the Square.



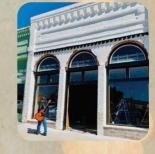
16. Flakes and Floppin Hardware and Stoves: Recently renovated but

currently vacant. This building housed Flakes and Floppin Hardware and Stoves in 1882.



17. Nunn and McFarland Clothing and Furnishing:

Currently vacant, this building was originally Nunn and McFarland Clothing and Furnishing Goods in 1884.



18. N. Wilson and Company Dry Goods and Clothing: Now Dolly's Antiques, it was originally known as Wilson and Co. Dry Goods and Clothing in 1884.



continued on next page

19. Pilot Point Museum:

Originally built in the early 1880's, this building housed R.M. Baird and Co Dry Goods and Notions until it was renovated in the late 1890's into The City Hotel and later became the Cloer Hotel.



Sometime in the mid -20th century, the second floor was removed.

20. Golden Triangle Meat Processing: Currently Pilot
Point Meat Processing.
Originally built in c. 1890.



21. South Side: This portion of the Historic Square was damaged in a tornado during the 1950's and later destroyed by fire. It was decided to tear down what remained of the buildings and the property has sat vacant for many years.



22. Ruby and Pearl Hotel:

Also known as the Holt Building, it was built in the 1890's as a hotel. It was purchased in 2017 and renamed the Ruby and Pearl Hotel. Renovations are currently underway.



23. Lowbrows: Built in 1893, this building was originally Dad Robin's Place, a restaurant. It was later home to the Pilot Point Post Signal, established earlier in 1878 and Denton County's oldest newspaper. They called this building home from



about 1900 to 1960. It is interesting to note that this building is one of the few buildings on The Square that still have the original front doors and windows.

Converted into Lowbrows, a Bar and Music Venue in the mid 2000's by Bob Albrecht. Currently closed. Reopening soon as Lowbrows Saloon.

24. Old City Jail: Built prior to 1880, the Old City Jail was built of native stone, like the town's earliest masonry structures and now shares the lot belonging to Lowbrows. It is also the site of the hanging of notorious outlaw Spoon Butler during the Civil War.



25. Pilot Point Opera

House: The building was originally R.T. Evans Hardware. The original Opera House was built above the hardware store in 1894 and named



the Queen Theater providing a 300 seat opera house. The property also was home to a livery stable, and various boot, saddle and harness shops where the current theater resides. AFG Travel Agency now exists in the building that housed the original theater, which was removed. The Garage Door Theater is still offering regular performances on the other side.

26. Farm and Merchants

Bank: Built in 1896, the Farmers and Merchants Bank, with its Richardsonian Romanesque architecture, is a focal point of The Square. It closed during the depression and never reopened as a bank. Contrary to some local myths, Bonnie and



Clyde never robbed this bank. It was, however, used as a set for the 1967 Bonnie and Clyde movie starring Warren Beatty and Faye Dunaway, as well as being the annual backdrop to Pilot Point's Bonnie and Clyde Days recreation of a robbery scene in the movie.



IT'S GRINCHY TIME

Story by Wendy Haun • Photos by Broken Trail Productions

Hang the stockings and start teasing your hair. The annual Pilot Point Main Street Christmas on the Square, presented by CoServ,

is back, with all of the Grinchy fun everyone has come to expect from the festival!

The Historic
Pilot Point
Square is
transformed into
Whoville in the
weeks leading up
to the festival,
traditionally the
first Saturday
in December.
Christmas on
the Square is

Pilot Point's way of opening up the holiday season, with great entertainment, food trucks, amazing shopping opportunities and lots of family fun.

Bring the kiddos for a meet-and-

greet with the big man himself.
Santa clears time out of his busy
schedule every year to stop by the
Square with Mrs. Claus to snap

photos with the children of Pilot Point and take those important Letters to Santa back to his workshop, so he can do his best to grant the wishes of the children on the Nice List.

Do you have the best gravitydefying hair? The Cindy Lou Who Hair Competition,

sponsored by Notoriously Yours, will be back to reward the Who Citizen with the best Who Hair!

Mark your calendars to start the holiday season right here in Pilot Point.

Christmas on the Square December 4 | 4-8 pm

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE 4 pm - Davis Dance Company 5 pm - Grace Point Nazarene 5:30 pm - Santa Claus arrives 6:45 pm - Cindy Lou Who Hair Competition 7 pm - Deanie & Dave





Around





Elizabeth Jones captured Chris Duncan creating something new and creative for LizzyGator's! Can you guess what it is?

















Fun filled the streets and the square at the annual Bonnie and Clyde Days. The annual event celebrates the filming of the 1967 movie Bonnie and Clyde in Pilot Point. Photos provided by Harry Jean.



After Pilot Point's favorite artist Justine Wollaston painted a spirit shirt on the friendly gorilla at Right Price Resale of HWY 377; Beau Foster captured a spirited picture of his stepdaughter Ava celebrating the gorillas new clothes.



Justine is with the Friends of the Library volunteers at their booth at Bonnie and Clyde Days. Photo provided by Friends of the Library.



LizzyGator's gaining steam at their wedding venue. Recently featured in Rock-n-Roll Bride! Photo by WeirdoWeddings.

the Town

Send Us Your Photos to info@380Guide.com



Title
Resources
celebrated
their open
house and
ribbon
cutting.











APPLY ONLINE AT IFINANCIAL.COM/LESLIETHOMPSON





















Local talent came together and fully produced a music video for Little Tin Suitcase by Deanie Deal. The three images are stills from the video. Deanie wrote and performs the song. It is about, and is a tribute to her mother. The video was shot at the Denton County Fair and around Pilot Point by Justin Wollaston. Jolene Wadds stars as Deanie's mom, and Beau Foster plays Deanie's dad. Enjoy the video. https://youtu.be/f2wbXbLHon4





Shop Local! We are more than just a Feed Store.



HOME DECOR AND APPAREL FOR ALL OF YOUR HOLIDAY NEEDS!

1156 N. Hwy. 377 • Pilot Point, TX 76258 (940) 686-3333 • PPFeed.net

Slay-Bloomfield-Jones Cemetery



Our cemetery is located just north of Denton, TX in Cooke County with easy access from I-35.

The cemetery offers a variety of burial rites including traditional, cremation, and green burials.

Please contact our funeral home to schedule burials.

PREARRANGEMENT WITH NO OBLIGATION



424 South Washington Pilot Point, TX

940.686.2277



SlayMemorialFuneralHome.com

Family Owned. Serving the area since 1986

You Can Take It



Becky Bauer took her Guide with her to have fun times in Niceville, FL.



Chris and Sheryl Eudy took their Guide to Aruba!



Elizabeth Jones took her Pilot Point Guide with her to Bonnie and Clyde Days!



Justine Wollaston took her Pilot Point Guide with her to Bonnie and Clyde Days!







The Barneys took their Guide with them to Cozumel.

Would you like to be in the next issue of Pilot Point Guide? If so, send us your photo with your Pilot Point Guide to YouCanTakeItWithYou@380Guide.com

Merry Christmas!



Let Us Meet All Your Landcape and Nursery Needs!



Custom Landscape Design • Irrigation New Installs & Repairs • Sod & Hydromulch Retaining Walls • Rock/Stone Work • Open to Public Nursery • Trees & Shrubs



LANDSCAPE: 940-686-5853 • NURSERY: 940-365-5994

Whether you are a do it yourselfer or need assistance our family is here to help! Local Family Owned and Operated • Insured • References Available



*********ECRWSSEDDM Local Postal Customer PRSRT. STD. ECRWSS U.S. POSTAGE PAID AUBREY, TX PERMIT NO. 6

ECRWSS





YOUR NEIGHBORS LOVE US YOU WILL TOO

940-686-7000 • pointbank.com • 972-434-3200











