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## From the Desk of Commissioner Hugh Coleman *Precinct 1*



Plentiful rain can cause  
 delays

Recent rainfall, which has  
 topped records for the month  
 of October, has led to roads  
 closing during the height of the  
 storms as well as delays in road  
 reconstruction.

The timing of the rainfall  
 at the beginning of the cooler  
 season in North Texas could  
 create some delays in start-  
 ing new road reconstruction  
 projects until late spring. Some  
 of the materials used in road  
 construction projects require  
 warmer weather to allow bond-  
 ing to occur. This is crucial to  
 roads. If the material does not  
 bond properly, roads could be  
 adversely affected.

Traffic counts also are oc-  
 curring to ensure most-traveled  
 roads are reconstructed first  
 when possible.

Our mission is to use tax-  
 payers' dollars effectively and  
 economically.

November brings tributes to  
 veterans

• At 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 8, the  
 Arthur O. McNitzky Post 71

will hold an Unserviceable Flags  
 Ceremony at 2501 Spencer Road  
 in Denton.

• The Denton County Veter-  
 ans Day Ceremony will  
 begin at 11:00 a.m. on Nov.  
 12 at the Courthouse on the  
 Square to honor veterans from  
 across the county.

Consider flu shots this season  
 Denton County Public  
 Health is encouraging Denton  
 County residents to get flu shots  
 early before the season goes into  
 full swing.

Last year's flu season was  
 particularly challenging with  
 many individuals suffering  
 from the influenza.

The annual flu shot is a good  
 way to protect yourself, your  
 family and others at work, school  
 or elsewhere in the community.

If you are looking for a flu  
 vaccine provider near you, visit  
 vaccinefinder.org.

Denton Holiday Lighting  
 Festival set for Nov. 30th

The 30th Annual Holiday  
 Lighting Festival on Denton's  
 downtown historic Square kicks  
 off the holiday season for many.

An evening of food, drinks,  
 children's crafts and horse-drawn  
 carriage rides offers family fun  
 from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

The event also includes  
 performances by the Denton  
 Community Band, visits with  
 Santa and live musical and  
 dance performances.

A toy drive will benefit Elves  
 Shelves, which provides help  
 during Christmas to families  
 in need with assistance, family  
 holiday photos and more.

Other upcoming Events:

• The Pilot Point Chamber  
 of Commerce is planning a  
 Thanksgiving mixer from  
 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on  
 Nov. 6 at PointBank, 200  
 U.S. Highway 377.

• The Taste of Corinth will  
 be from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
 on Nov. 10 at the Millenium  
 Place, 6651, Interstate 35E.  
 The free event will include food  
 trucks, a kid zone, live music,  
 an ice skating rink and more.

November known as Home  
 Care and Hospice Month

Home care and hospice  
 organizations meet a growing  
 need to provide individualized  
 and professional assistance as  
 more Texans opt to receive care  
 in more comfortable settings.

The personalized settings  
 assist with better quality of life  
 for the chronically ill, disabled  
 and elderly.

The state and Denton  
 County recognize November  
 as the Home Care and Hospice  
 Month to bring attention to the  
 home care and hospice profes-  
 sionals who are committed to  
 providing quality healthcare to  
 their patients.

Regional road and bridge  
 updates

FM 2181 North-South –  
 Expect lane closures from Bent  
 Oaks to Primrose for detour  
 construction. Temporary lane  
 closures for material deliveries  
 and to complete construction  
 of temporary detour pavement  
 on the east side of Teasley  
 Lane can be expected. Work  
 to complete permanent signals  
 at Wind River will occur this

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## Julie Zwahr Hired as Denton ISD's New Communications Director

Julie Zwahr has been  
 named the Denton Independ-  
 ent School District's direc-  
 tor of communications and  
 community relations. Ms.  
 Zwahr, who currently serves  
 as the coordinator of com-  
 munications, will replace  
 Mario Zavala Jr. Mr. Zavala  
 is leaving the district at the  
 end of the month for an ex-  
 ecutive position in corporate  
 communications.

The director of commu-  
 nications and community  
 relations is a vital role for the  
 district, consistently work-  
 ing with outside groups,  
 organizations and businesses  
 to champion the work and  
 accolades of Denton ISD's  
 students, teachers and staff.  
 The position also handles all  
 internal and external commu-  
 nication for the district, while  
 serving as the primary contact  
 for the media.

"Ms. Zwahr brings a vast  
 array of knowledge and expe-  
 rience to the table, which is a  
 major asset for a fast-growth  
 district like ours," said Dr.  
 Jamie Wilson, superintendent  
 of schools. "She has played a  
 large role in many of the com-  
 munity endeavors our district  
 has expanded on over the past  
 five years and will help build  
 on the gains we've made with  
 our communication within  
 the district and throughout  
 the community."

A well-respected public rela-  
 tions professional, Ms. Zwahr  
 brings more than 26 years of  
 experience in school com-  
 munications to her new role  
 with the district. She's been an  
 instrumental part of the com-  
 munications team for the past  
 five years, helping Denton ISD  
 pass a Tax Ratification Elec-  
 tion (TRE), a more than \$750  
 million bond package, open

five new schools and become  
 one of the most sought-after  
 school districts for social me-  
 dia communication.

Ms. Zwahr has presented  
 on several topics affecting  
 public education at the state  
 and national level, includ-  
 ing serving as the South  
 Central Vice President for the  
 National Schools Public  
 Relations Association and  
 holds the distinction of being  
 the youngest professional  
 elected President of the Texas  
 Schools Public Relations  
 Association. She was even  
 part of the committee that  
 recognized the work of sev-  
 eral young professionals at  
 the national level, establish-  
 ing the 35 Under 35 Honor  
 that several communications  
 directors in the North Texas  
 area have been awarded.

"It has been my honor to  
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## Groundbreaking Ceremony Announced for New Kiddie Academy® of Union Park



WHAT: Kiddie Academy and  
 after school care and  
 of Union Park will host a  
 summer camp programs.  
 Groundbreaking Ceremony  
 Kiddie Academy of Union  
 Park will be located at  
 4387 Union Park Blvd.  
 to open spring of 2019 and  
 just north of Hwy380. The  
 new 12,800 square foot,  
 state-of-the-art Academy  
 will serve 228 children be-  
 tween 6 weeks and 12 years  
 old. The groundbreaking  
 ceremony marks an im-  
 portant step in supporting  
 families within the north  
 Little Elm and Aubrey com-  
 munities.

WHEN: Wednesday,  
 November 7, 2018 at 4:00  
 PM.

WHERE: Kiddie Acad-  
 emy of Union Park  
 4387 Union Park Blvd.  
 Aubrey, TX 76227

"This is a really exciting  
 time for us and we are ea-  
 offers full time care, before  
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## Texas Woman's Team to Compete in NASA Design Challenge



Denton, TX- A Texas  
 Woman's Kinesiology team  
 is going where no TWU  
 students have gone before – a  
 project competition in sup-  
 port of space exploration.

Sponsored by NASA and  
 administered by the Texas  
 Space Grant Consortium  
 (TSGC), the TSGC Design  
 Challenge tasks university  
 teams to find solutions to  
 engineering and technical is-  
 sues related to long-distance  
 space travel. However, this  
 year, the Consortium opened  
 up the challenge to health  
 sciences, which allowed  
 TWU to compete as the  
 university does not have an  
 engineering department.

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## Texas A&M Named New Host of the Texas Science and Engineering Fair

AUSTIN, TX- The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) and the Texas Science and Engineering Advisory Board have named Texas A&M Engineering as the new host of the 2019 Annual Texas Science and Engineering Fair (TXSEF), becoming the third host in the 18-year history of the prestigious science and engineering competition. TWC anticipates nearly 4,000 students, parents, school officials, and industry representatives will attend the fair at Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas, on March 29-30, 2019. “We look forward to welcoming Texas’ brightest student innovators to Texas A&M University this year, and commend them on their dedication to encourage students to pursue science, technology, engineering and

math (STEM) occupations,” said TWC Chair Ruth Ruggero Hughs. “As we begin our new partnership with Texas A&M Engineering and continued partnership with ExxonMobil Corporation, we look forward to expanding the number of students participating in the Texas State Science and Engineering Fair and creating new ways to engage and inspire our future scientists and our next generation of influencers.”

“I am pleased to make this announcement and congratulate Texas A&M,” said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Julian Alvarez. “With our partnership and commitment to support programs that encourage students to pursue science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) occupations, Texas A&M, a world-class educational

institution, is the perfect venue to inspire them,” he said. “Our Texas students participating in this year’s Texas Science and Engineering Fair are ushering in a new era for this statewide event that serves as an opportunity for students to showcase their classroom education to solve real-world problems.”

“The Texas A&M University System is committed to serving citizens statewide and this is an excellent opportunity to welcome the state’s best and brightest to the flagship campus at Texas A&M University,” said John Sharp, chancellor for The Texas A&M University System. “Both the Texas Workforce Commission and ExxonMobil recognize the strength of Texas A&M Engineering and how this partnership will foster innovation among our future engineers and scientists.”

For 18 years, TWC and ExxonMobil have spearheaded the Texas Science and Engineering Fair where middle and high school students from 13 regional divisions across Texas compete in over 20 categories judged by experts in the field. Top finishers from the high school division are awarded scholarships to attend the prestigious Governor’s Science and Technology Champions Academy summer camp and also have the opportunity to compete in the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF) in May 2019 in Phoenix, Arizona.

“The Texas Science and Engineering Fair offers a great opportunity for the youth of Texas to learn more about science and engineering, which can lead to future career choices in these areas,” said Truman Bell, chairman of the TXSEF Advisory Board and manager of community relations for ExxonMobil Corporation. “ExxonMobil is pleased to support this effort which will inspire the next generation of scientists and engineers.”

For more information on the Texas Science and Engineering Fair visit [www.tx.ag/txsef](http://www.tx.ag/txsef)

## Prosper Council Approves Purchase of 100-Foot Ladder Truck

PROSPER, TX- Evidence of significant growth is apparent in most areas within the Town of Prosper, soon to include the pending addition of about 100 feet of vertical firefighting capability.

At the Oct. 9 Town Council meeting, the community’s governing body approved the purchase of a new ladder truck for the Fire Department, boosting the department’s firefighting capabilities and increasing the certainty of an improved Public Protection Classification (PPC), commonly called an ISO (Insurance Services Office) Rating.

Already assigned an ISO Rating of 2, the addition of the new apparatus virtually assures that the rating will be reassigned to 1, the ISO’s highest, making Prosper residents and businesses eligible for the most favorable rates on property insurance.

Council approved the ordering and purchase of a Pierce Ascendant 100-foot Mid-Mount Platform, the latest version of what are known as ladder trucks, capable of elevating water hoses and personnel 100 feet in the air to fight fires, execute rescues and perform other tasks at that height.

While the new ladder truck will take a year to construct, the Fire Department will use a loaned version of the apparatus for training and familiarization. That loaner, in fact, will be used to make the case for the improved rating.

“The truck build-time will be approximately 12 months and will be manufactured in Appleton, Wisconsin,” says Fire Chief Stuart Blasingame. “We’re working with the

manufacturer’s representative, Siddons-Martin Emergency Group, to receive a loaner aerial truck to use during the interim to pursue our ISO-1.”

ISO reviews are conducted months ahead of a rating determination, usually announced in June of each year.

The tallest ladders in the Prosper Fire Department inventory are 24 feet high, making it difficult to address emergencies from more advantageous positions. When confronted with the need for higher vantage point, the department has required the mutual-aid assistance of departments in Frisco, McKinney or Little Elm. Mutual-aid requests, however, will always fall behind local needs for these departments.

“We not only expect the addition of this ladder truck to improve our ISO PPC rating, but it will allow firefighters access to large residential homes, commercial buildings, large educational facilities, and taller structures that we know are coming,” he said.

Several multi-family residential buildings, Town Hall, a car dealership and several planned buildings are a minimum of three stories high, and a number of developments are planned for five to seven stories.

In addition to the upgraded inventory, consistent training of firefighters, state-of-the-art dispatch communication and ample water supply, ISO ratings take other actuarial factors into consideration when auditing a community.

“The ladder truck is the one piece of the ISO equation that will get our community both the highest level of protection, and the best rates for our property insurance,” added the Chief.

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## McKinney City Council Adopts 20-year Comprehensive Plan

MCKINNEY, TX – McKinney City Council adopted the city’s ONE McKinney 2040 Comprehensive Plan, which will provide policy and vision for future development and master planning for things like land use, parks, transportation, economic vitality and other quality of life issues for the next 20 years. The city is currently 68 square miles in size; however, the ultimate growth area for the city is roughly 116 square miles.

“With our rapid growth comes the responsibility, and opportunity, to shape the future of our city. Through this plan, we are emphasizing growing in a creative yet intentional way,” said Mayor George Fuller.

The city relied heavily on public input to guide the development of the comprehensive plan and used a variety of mechanisms including community input sessions, open houses, charrettes, and online forums to gather feedback and solve problems.

“We wanted this to be a collaborative approach and had substantial input from the community. We are confident we created a framework that will enable McKinney to flourish,” said Mayor Fuller.

The plan includes many components, including a preferred scenario, master thoroughfare plan, economic development strategy, fiscal health strategy and public investment strategy.

Additionally, the plan includes an Individual District Strategies component for the 17 districts created as part of the preferred scenario, such as the Town Center district, Medical district, Collin McKinney Commercial district, Business and Aviation district, and Agricultural Lifestyle district. These districts provide a description and strategy that are rooted in the unique opportunities of each area and provides direction related to the desired development patterns for each district.

The last update to the city’s comprehensive plan was completed in 2004. The newly adopted ONE McKinney 2040 Comprehensive Plan can be viewed at [www.mckinneytexas.org/complan](http://www.mckinneytexas.org/complan).

*Julie Zwahr Hired...continued from front page*

serve the students and staff of Denton ISD as a member of our district’s award-winning communications team. Building support for public education is my passion and being able to continue to do that as the leader of this dynamic team of professionals is something I look forward to doing,” said Ms. Zwahr. “Our students and teachers consistently provide a number of stories and accomplishments that we can highlight throughout the community, continuing to increase the level of engagement between our schools and stakeholders.”

Ms. Zwahr previously served as the director of communications for Little Elm ISD and Waxahachie ISD and the executive director of communications for Keller ISD and Guilford County Schools in North Carolina. She helped each district through an increase in student enrollment and construction and/or renovations of facilities.

A graduate of Texas Tech University, Ms. Zwahr holds a bachelor’s degree in journalism with a minor in political science. She also completed an independent study on leadership as an undergraduate student.

# S SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Aubrey High School Volleyball Team Held a Teacher Appreciation Night

Amy Ruggini



**AUBREY, TX** - On Friday, Oct. 12, the Aubrey volleyball team held a teacher appreciation night, honoring teachers that had inspired and made a lasting impact on the Lady Chaps players.

Each member of the varsity team selected an Aubrey ISD teacher that had inspired her as a student. Prior to the game against Anna, the teachers lined up on the court along with the team. As each team member was announced, the student-athlete presented her chosen teacher with a hand-written card and a miniature volleyball.

"We wanted to have a way for our kids to show their teachers how much they are appreciated," Aubrey volleyball coach Whitney Stout said. "I was really proud of the kids for choosing teachers from all over the district. It was a great representation of how awesome our teachers are."

Aubrey ISD teacher facilitator Joanie Rouk and Aubrey High School communications teacher Edgar Jackson were two of the teacher recipients.

"When I was contacted by Katie about being her guest at Teacher Appreciation Night, I was honored," Mrs. Rouk said. "I did not expect it being out of the classroom now for five years. The card she handed me included her very sweet words. I am so happy she remembers her time in fifth grade with me so fondly. It's true what they say, students will remember how you made them feel. Teachers do, too."

Mr. Jackson echoed those sentiments.

"It was an honor and privilege to be chosen by Rachael, and it was something that made me feel special as a teacher," Mr. Jackson said.

Summer Ramsey honored her 2nd grade teacher Mrs. Ashleigh Smith. Kaia Saylor with Mrs. Hellman

"I picked Mrs. Smith because she was my favorite," Summer said. "She was always there for me. She was my first teacher when I moved to Aubrey."

Allie Sanders honored her kindergarten teacher Mrs. Kimberly Earwood.

"She was my kindergarten teacher," Allie said. "I have so many good memories of her. She is an amazing woman and I look up to her. Kindergarten was the last year we had naps, and I remember her coming to wake me up and being so sweet to me."

Kaia Saylor honored her second grade teacher Mrs. Tabitha Hellman. "Mrs. Hellman has treated me like her own kid," Kaia said. "She has always watched out for me, and she always been there if I needed help with anything. She has always supported me."

Laney Roos honored her high school math teacher Mrs. Cabrales.

"Mrs. Cabrales is also super happy and smiling," Laney said. "She helps with any questions you have. She is always so nice."

Shelby Wilkins honored her 3rd grade teacher Mrs. Shovlin. Shelby Wilkins with Mrs. Shovlin

"I chose her because she was my most supportive teacher," Shelby said. "She always helped me outside the school. She is probably the most fun teacher I've ever had. She always taught us more than the curriculum. She also taught us theater. We had plays every week, which was fun."

Gracie Bell honored her 8th grade science teacher Mrs. Vicky Howard.

"Mrs. Howard is very passionate about what she teaches," Gracie said. "She made everything she taught memorable. Midway through the year, she would review everything from the start of the school

year, which was great." Morgan Place honored her high school Coach Dana Bloedel.

"I chose Coach Bloedel because he was my hurdles coach in track. He helped me qualify for regionals. I never thought I would be able to do that. He was really motivational."

Amber Trammell chose her high school English teacher Ms. Rachel Fagan. Wylie Dyer with Mrs. Gallagher

"I chose Ms. Fagan because class was always fun," Amber said. "She teaches English and I was always okay on it. She inspired me to take AP English. She is funny and really nice."

Cidnee Howard honored her high school math teacher Mr. Gregory Lortz

"I chose Mr. Lortz because he always stays after school and helps us learning the material," Cidnee said. "He will stay as late as we need to make sure we understand it before we move on."

Wylie Dyer honored her high school Spanish teacher Mrs. Brandee Gallagher.

"Mrs. Gallagher is so kind and patient with everyone," Wylie said. "She treats everyone as her own kid. She loves her job and makes class fun. She always has a smile on her face."

Lauren Knapp honored her high school English teacher Mrs. Dawn Dooley.

"I picked Mrs. Dooley because I look up to her a lot," Lauren said. "She knows so much about life and she has so much wisdom. She knows so many literary terms. She has so much knowledge about the world, and I look up to her in so many ways."

Rachael Housewright honored her high school communications teacher Mr. Jackson. Lauren Knapp with Mrs. Dooley

"I have had Mr. Jackson as a teacher every year for the last four years," Rachel said. "Throughout that time, he has been there for me when I have been stressed out about school and he has always been there to help. Academic Decathlon has probably been my favorite class of his."

Katie Schmitz honored her 5th grade teacher Mrs. Rouk.

"She was my favorite teacher in elementary teacher," Kate said. "She was the first teacher I thought of. She made math fun."

## Rattlers Re-Sign Midfielder Joe Gillis

The Rattlers Have Re-Signed the Syracuse Product for the 2019 Season



Joe (left) with president Bill Goren (right).

**FRISCO, TX** - The Dallas Rattlers have signed defensive midfielder Joe Gillis to a contract extension.

Gillis, a 2017 graduate of

Syracuse University, began his professional career with the Rattlers and will now remain with the team through the 2019 season. Gillis finished his career at Syracuse with 23 ground balls and eight caused turnovers over 47 appearances. When not playing, Gillis serves locally as an assistant high school lacrosse coach with Southlake.

"To have an excellent player and member of this community in Joe Gillis re-sign with the Rattlers speaks volumes about the growth of our game and the strides we continue to make in North Texas," said

Rattlers President Bill Goren. The news of the signing comes just weeks after Major League Lacrosse announced major changes including a 51% salary cap increase, an extended regular season schedule, and an additional game day active roster spot.

About the Dallas Rattlers The Dallas Rattlers are the only professional lacrosse team to call Texas home. The Rattlers play in Major League Lacrosse, the world's premier field lacrosse league. For more information about the Rattlers, please visit DallasRattlers.com.

## Frisco Square Property Owners Association presents Christmas in the Square 2018

**FRISCO, TX** - Frisco Square Property Owners Association, NBC5 and City of Frisco, proudly present Christmas in the Square at Frisco Square, which opens November 23, 2018 and continues through December 31, 2018. Christmas in the Square Light Show will be open nightly from 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm.

Skate the Square, a real ice skating rink is 45' x 75'; located at the southwest corner of Main Street and Coleman Boulevard across from Toyota Stadium is returning on November 23, 2018. This daily event is in addition to the already popular, family-friendly events scheduled during the 14th Annual Christmas in the Square, which hosts over 750,000, making it one of the largest events in North Texas.

Skate the Square, will be open Monday through Thursday between the hours of 4 p.m. and 9 p.m. (From December 17 to January 7, extended hours of 2:00 pm - 9:00 pm) and each Friday through Sunday Noon to 10 p.m. except on Christmas Day and weather permitting. The ice skating cost is \$12 per person, per day, including skate rentals. The daily price includes open public skating for as long as visitors want to stay within the open and close times. To reserve the ice rink for private use, you may call 214-444-8758 and the cost is \$300 per hour and available Monday - Thursday from 9:00 pm to 10:00 pm and before opening hours daily.

Frisco Square is thrilled to announce a new and exciting element for all

to enjoy, an enchanting Christmas Tree Maze. This will be located in a tent at the corner of Coleman Boulevard and Frisco Square Boulevard November 23 - December 31st. The hours of operation are the same as Skate the Square (closed Christmas day). The cost is \$8.00 per person, per visit. If you bring an unwrapped toy to be donated to Operation Once in a Lifetime (<https://operationonceinalifetime.com/>) the cost is \$5.00 person.

Parachuting Santa and his elves will arrive on November 23, 2018 at 5pm to kick off Christmas in the Square. From 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm join Frisco Square for the Grand Opening to include the Light & Music Show, Christmas Tree Maze, Skate the Square, Holiday Skating Show, Visits with Santa, Trackless Train, Christmas Tree Lot provided by Boy Scouts Troop 51 and more.

For the complete calendar of events, please visit [www.friscosquare.com/CITS](http://www.friscosquare.com/CITS)

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## Everything Comes Together at Rustic Furniture Depot

Quality, Price and Inventory  
Karen Svien-Johnson



Phillip Moreino gets a sparkle in his eyes and flashes a satisfied smile when he gets that last puzzle piece to fit and it brings the whole puzzle together. This is an accurate analogy of how Phil operates his business called Rustic Furniture Depot, where he magically combines an ultimate value opportunity with an enjoyable buying experience for the benefit of his clientele.

Customers regularly drive or fly from Abilene, Houston, Colorado and even Wyoming to load up U-Haul's with purchases from Rustic Furniture Depot, and then enthusiastically travel back to make them an integral part of their homes. How fortunate are we locally in the 380 Corridor that we can get ours delivered to us? Rustic Furniture provides a delivery service within a two hour drive of its home in Crossroads.

There are three highly motivating reasons why it's worth the clients' time and travel:

First, **QUALITY**. A common occurrence is that, once a client buys one furniture piece, they recognize the quality and start replacing rooms, or often the whole house, with more items from Rustic Furniture Depot. The well-built furniture moves well without being damaged or destroyed, and perhaps that is why they have such a large military clientele.

Second, **PRICE**. Customers are pleasantly surprised to find they can buy solid wood, high quality furniture versus paying surprisingly more for laminate particle board furniture. Phil figured out how to efficiently buy solid wood lines, in volume, resulting in superior low pricing that provides a huge value to the customer. Rustic Furniture Depot typically beats competitor pricing by thirty percent on average! In fact, they sell more rustic furniture than all competitors in the DFW Metroplex combined.

Third, **INVENTORY**. Another key value for the client is inventory availability. Rustic Furniture Depot maintains a steady three million dollars in on-site furniture inventory. The pieces are there when you want them because, as we all know, nobody wants to wait!

Their inventory goes beyond the bedroom, living room, theater seating and outdoor furniture to some unique accessories. These include the ever-popular large Brazilian cowhides (at \$129.00 each), stunning equine art, windmill wall decor, gift items such as candles and other unique accessories.

A major influence that helped shape Rustic Furniture Depot's success is Phil's family upbringing. He and his siblings were raised in a slightly poor to middle-class home environment that helped shape them as individuals. That experience taught them the value of durability and this ingrained value has resonated with Phil ever since. Bottom line ... every product on the floor is problem free and stands the test of time, so it can be enjoyed for years or even generations by the family. Visit to recognize the values available at 11901 US HWY 380, Crossroads TX or visit the web site at RusticFurnituredepot.com

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## It's Tulip Bulb Market Time

Enchantment of the Netherlands  
Jodie Linton-Prickett



If you have visited Texas Tulips in Pilot Point while the flowers are in full bloom and have been amazed at how many varieties of tulips there are, just think, you could have these in your very own garden! For the third year in the 380 Corridor, you can shop at this premiere tulip bulb market. From December 1, 2018 through January 7, 2019 the market doors are open from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. daily for you to come and select from these lovely bulbs. You could purchase from

the big box stores, but if you know the Koeman family, you know that each bulb has been nurtured and loved before it was ready for you to take home from their market. They also have generations of experience cultivating these spectacular bulbs. Also, the variety will amaze you! There are tulips you have never seen before and some you couldn't imagine possible, if you did not see them with your own eyes! You can now also view all of their amazing selection and purchase your bulbs online at [www.TexasTulips.com](http://www.TexasTulips.com).

Shopping for and planting these lovely flowers can be fun for the entire family! They make exquisite Christmas and Holiday gifts for the flower lover in your family. Make your garden the most unique around and experience some of the enchantment of the Netherlands right here in the 380 Corridor!

## Eyelash Extensions Exposed



There are so many misconceptions about one of the latest trends in beauty - eyelash extensions. I come across articles, blogs, FAQs, etc. daily communicating one of these two views: 'lash extensions are horrible, dangerous, a disgrace to the beauty industry' or 'lash extensions do not do all the horrible things the other sources say'. The truth is, the misconceptions are, in fact, reality for some. Prices vary greatly for this addictive service and, as the saying goes, "If you think it's expensive to hire a professional wait until you hire an amateur."

Reality: A professional, licensed Eyelash Extension Artist who applies the lash extensions as properly trained will not cause damage to your natural lashes.

Professional vs. Amateur  
Professional: Your health and safety will be priority #1. All precautions will be taken to ensure a sanitary lash application environment with properly sterilized products and tools.

Amateur: Tools may not be properly sterilized between clients. This can spread bacteria and

potential end in conditions such as styes.

Professional: The lash artist will explain the procedure & make sure you feel comfortable. You will know what to expect after getting your extensions and how to care for them. Your desired look will be discussed and the stylist will give recommendations based on your natural lashes and face shape.

Amateur: You may not get an explanation of the procedure. The stylist may or may not ask about what you desire. You might leave misunderstanding aftercare. This all potentially leads to confusion, a look you do not like, or the artist might give you the look you want, but it may compromise your natural lashes.

Professional: High quality products and tools will be used. You will pay a reasonable price for quality work.

Amateur: Pricing will be cheap and the products used will be too. The technician may cut corners carelessly. This can effect the look, feel, longevity and safety of the extensions and your natural lashes.

Professional: Lash extensions will be placed 1 extension to 1 natural hair, unless you get volume lashes which consist of several very fine extensions applied to 1 hair. In either case no natural hairs will be adhered to one another.

Amateur: Careless applica-

tion leads to several natural lashes glued together. This will no doubt cause pain, damage to your natural lashes and potential permanent lash loss.

Professional: A professional will provide a relaxing treatment with beautiful results. The whole process will be easy and enjoyable. You will feel educated about your new favorite beauty enhancement. Warning: You might just be addicted! I provide a painless, relaxing process with beautiful results.

Amateur: You could leave with a number of concerning results. From 'flare' lash extensions applied to the top of several natural lashes to clumps of adhesive weighing down your lashes; swollen, red skin around your eyes from the adhesive touching your skin, lash extensions turned and twisted all different ways due to careless adhesion, etc.

If you have ever considered getting lash extensions, you should go for it! But for the love of you lashes, hire a professional!!! You are entrusting the safety of your eyes to the person you select for this treatment!!! Your eyes!

For more information or to have absolutely any lash extension question answered, please visit my website [www.LuckyULashes.com](http://www.LuckyULashes.com) or email me at [info@luckyulashes.com](mailto:info@luckyulashes.com).

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## Denton County Friends of the Family Presents the Second Annual Holiday Express

**Denton, TX-** Are you ready to jump aboard and ride the local Denton County Transportation Authority (DCTA) A-train to the North Pole?

After the success of last year, DCFOF is once again taking over the A-train in collaboration with DCTA and turning it into a holiday themed train ride. While on the train, guests will be treated to a performance by Musical Theater Denton. But that's not all! The magical day continues with a family brunch and fun kid-friendly activities at the "North Pole" and "Elf's Playland".

"Last year's inaugural Holiday Express train event was a great suc-

cess, and DCTA is excited to partner with Denton County Friends of the Family again this year to bring holiday cheer and give back to the communities we serve," said Raymond Suarez, DCTA CEO. "Join us for a day of holiday cheer that will surely make the magic of the season come alive."

The Holiday Express: Saturday, December 1st, 8:00am - 4:00pm\* Patterson-Appleton Center (Greater Denton Arts Council) 400 E. Hickory St, Denton TX 76201

\*Train times available are 8am, 10am, & 12pm

Ticket sales for The Holiday Express will go live on November

5th! Since there are limited seats on the train, this event will likely sell out. This is an opportunity for you to secure your seats and ensure you and your family will get to experience this exciting day.

Another way to lock down your holiday train ride is by becoming one of our holiday sponsors. We are in search of the perfect partners to help bring holiday cheer to Denton County. Who knows, you may even be lucky enough to meet Santa!

We would like to give a special thank you to Senator Jane Nelson and the Denton County Transportation Authority for once again sponsoring this event! We couldn't do it without you!

# EDUCATION

## Aubrey High School's UIL Academic Season is Off to a Strong Start *Amy Ruggini*



Left to right: Savannah Torres and Harmony Moura Burk



Left to right: Matthew Shuway and John Bryan Strouse

**AUBREY, TX-**The Aubrey High School UIL academic team is off to a strong start. Sophomores Harmony Moura Burk and Savannah Torres finished in second place in novice ex debate after five rounds of debating at the Wylie

Invitational on Saturday, Sept. 29. Sophomores John Bryan Strouse and Matthew Shuway finished first in duo interpretation on Saturday at the Melissa Cardinal Autumn Classic UIL Tournament. Matthew also finished second in humorous interpretation.

## Successful Campaign for Aubrey FFA at State Fair of Texas *Amy Ruggini*



Karlee Collins



Madison LeBlanc



Cheyenne Neely



Rachel Willis

**AUBREY, TX-** Aubrey FFA had a successful 2018 campaign at the State Fair of Texas. The breeding goats shows were first, and Aubrey High School senior Karlee Collins was the reserve grand champion in the youth showmanship competition. AHS junior Rachel Willis placed 10th in the competition as well. In the open breeding goat show, Collins received 10

ribbons, included a first and second place. Willis posted a 2nd and 5th place. In the youth breeding goat show, Collins posted two 1st place finishes, and Willis received a 2nd place ribbon.

In week two, the rabbit and cattle show teams picked up numerous ribbons. AHS sophomore Wyatt LeBlanc, Aubrey Middle School 7th grader

Cheyenne Neely and AHS junior Rachel Willis all picked up first-place honors in the rabbit shows. Rachel went home with an armful of ribbons; she earned seven 1st places, three 2nd places, a 4th place, BOB Grand Champion and a BOS Reserve Grand.

AHS sophomore Arielle McKinney had a second-place finish, and AMS 7th grader Madyson LeBlanc

earned a 4th place ribbon, while Cheyenne also picked up three 2nd places and a 3rd place.

In the cattle shows, AHS junior Grant Beaty earned two 1st-place finishes in class and a Division Reserve Grand Champion in the Brangus Cattle show. AMS 6th grader Berkeley Noles and Brockett Elementary 3rd grader Sawyer Noles also showed in the Santa Gertrudis Cattle show and placed 7th in their class.

## Make a Difference- Mentors and Volunteers Needed for Denton ISD



**Denton ISD, TX -** All children have the potential to succeed in life and contribute to society. However, not all children get the support they need to thrive. Mentors and volunteers across Denton ISD provide the additional encouragement and assistance needed to help our students succeed in a positive learning environment.

The Denton ISD mentoring program is for any person who is willing to provide a child with support, friendship and a constructive example through one-on-one meetings each week. No previous teaching experience is necessary to mentor. The most effective mentors are those who are patient, committed, and willing to listen to their mentee. Mentors and mentees meet each week for 30-60 minutes, with an hour being ideal. Students can work with their mentors on academics, focusing on homework or assignments, or reading fluency. In addition, they can

also talk about school and life, set goals, or play strategic board and card games.

Our volunteer program is focused on providing volunteers for events, such as Read Across America or Career Days, as well as for large group or classroom support. Opportunities are available to assist with fall festivals, spring field days, teacher assistance (such as working on bulletin boards or cutting laminate), outdoor classroom clean-up, painting murals, and more!

Mentors and volunteers are needed at all 41 of Denton ISD's schools. We will work with you to place you at a location that is convenient for you in terms of geographic location, as well as to find the perfect volunteering event or mentee match based on grade level and area of need (i.e. reading, academics, social/emotional).

All volunteers and mentors must complete an application and undergo a background and reference check each year. The 2018-19 application can be found at [www.dentonisd.org/volunteer](http://www.dentonisd.org/volunteer)

[www.dentonisd.org/mentor](http://www.dentonisd.org/mentor) For more information regarding mentoring or volunteering opportunities, please contact Courtney Martin, Community Engagement Specialist, at [cmartin@dentonisd.org](mailto:cmartin@dentonisd.org) or 940-369-0146.

## Business Consortium Partners With Collin College for \$294,190 Job-Training Grant

**AUSTIN, TX-** A business consortium, consisting of Applied Concepts Inc., ASSA ABLOY Hospitality Inc., and Networkers Inc. (Gattaca Americas), has partnered with Collin College to provide job training using a \$294,190 Skills Development Fund grant from the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC). The grant will benefit workers in the Workforce Solutions Greater Dallas and Workforce Solutions for North Central Texas areas.

"Texas is fortunate to have Applied Concepts Inc., ASSA ABLOY Hospitality Inc., Networkers Inc., and Collin College collaborating to provide workforce training with the assistance of this Skills Development Fund grant," said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Julian Alvarez. "This partnership reflects the state's ongoing commitment to employee development and helping Texas workers increase their skill sets, which leads to successful and rewarding careers."

This grant will be used to provide custom training to 236 new and incumbent workers. Trainees will include marketing specialists; senior compensation and benefits analysts; and web administrators. Upon completion of training, the workers will receive an average hourly wage of \$40.88.

Since its inception in 1996, the Skills Development Fund grants have created or upgraded more than 356,744 jobs throughout Texas. The grants have assisted 4,356 employers with their customized training needs. The Legislature allocated \$48 million to the Skills Development Fund for the 2018-19 biennium. Employers seeking more information about the Skills Development Fund may visit the TWC website at [www.texasworkforce.org/skills](http://www.texasworkforce.org/skills). Collin College contact: Marketing & Communications Director Marisela Cadena-Smith, 972-758-3896, [mcsmith@collin.edu](mailto:mcsmith@collin.edu)

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# HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

## Difficulty Swallowing? You May Have Dysphagia



Eating is one of the most important things we do on a daily basis. We eat to sustain our bodies, but we also eat for pleasure. Food is typically present at family gatherings and

social events with friends. So when we begin to have difficulty enjoying those foods because of swallowing and eating difficulties, it can affect our entire livelihood.

DYSPHAGIA is a term that means "difficulty swallowing". Most people at one point or another in their lifetime have choked on something or felt their drink "go down the wrong pipe". When this becomes a regular occurrence, it becomes a risk to our overall health. Some common signs of

Dysphagia include:  
 -coughing before, during, or after swallowing  
 -choking  
 -difficulty controlling food/liquids in your mouth  
 -frequent throat clearing during and after meals  
 -wet/gurgly voice after swallowing  
 -pneumonia  
 -unexplained weight loss  
 -sensation of food getting stuck  
 -regurgitation  
 -drooling  
 Dysphagia can affect

any person at any age, but is most common in individuals over the age of 60 and individuals with neurological disorders such as Parkinson's Disease, stroke, Multiple Sclerosis, and dementia.

If you suspect that you or a loved one may have Dysphagia, talk to your doctor and request an evaluation from a Speech-Language Pathologist. You may benefit from a diagnostic test called a Modified Barium Swallow

Study and treatment to strengthen the muscles that drive your ability to swallow safely.

Rebecca Macy, M.A., CCC-SLP is a Speech-Language Pathologist and owner of SpeakUp Speech Therapy, PLLC. She can be reached at (469) 428-7017 or visit her website at speakupspeechpllc.com.

## Allergy Testing at CommunityMed Urgent Care Aubrey



You're spending a fortune on allergy medicines. Sometimes they work, sometimes they don't. We love Texas for our milder temperatures this time of year, but allergy season in Texas is not a welcomed friend. Those Friday Night Lights and Saturday mornings outdoors at your kids' activities can get your family sneezing, wheezing, and having difficulty breathing. Humidity plays a role in allergies and winds can easily pick up tree pollen.

Allergy testing is highly recommended. Knowing what allergens trigger you and your family's reactions is half the battle. Not having to rely heavily on over-the-counter allergy prescriptions and medications can save you money and unnecessary suffering.

CommunityMed Urgent Care Walk-In Clinic proudly serves the 380 area. Located in Aubrey, CommunityMed offers allergy testing and treatment. If you suffer from itchy, watery, or dry eyes, a sore throat, sneezing or runny nose, difficulty breathing, and other allergy symptoms, CommunityMed has options to decrease your body's sensitivity to allergens and offers relief from seasonal and environmental allergies.

CommunityMed's allergy testing process uses the environmental brush testing method. There are no needles involved! It's a simple

skin test performed by gently brushing the skin with a small comb. Paired with their allergy treatment, the combination has an average effectiveness rate of over 80 percent.

What Age Can Be Tested? Most patients five and older can be tested for those allergens specific to Texas including pollen, weeds, ragweed, animal dander, fungus/molds, dust mites, etc. Treatment can begin for most patients within a week or two of being tested.

Most patients see consistent relief in three-six months, but many experience relief within 30 days depending on the patient. The cost can vary depending on what types of allergens and how many you are allergic to, and many insurance plans cover allergy treatment and skin testing.

Studies have shown that, over time, patients who undergo allergy treatment actually save money considering what they spend using over-the-counter medication. CommunityMed will verify your benefits over the phone and let you know what your insurance plan covers.

Be Seen Right Away The service at CommunityMed is speedy! Their average patient visit is 30 minutes or less! Go to CommunityMedCare.com/allergy-testing for more information and take a free online allergy screening. CommunityMed Urgent Care Walk-In Clinic is open seven days a week until 8:00 p.m. on the southeast corner of Spring Hill and 377, next to Aubrey Pharmacy and Aubrey High School.

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# B BUSINESS & DEVELOPMENT

## Railroad Commission of Texas Announces New Director of Government Relations



RRC Director of Government Relations Jeremy Mazur

AUSTIN, TX - The Railroad Commission of Texas today announced Jeremy Mazur joins the agency as the Director of Government Relations, effective Oct. 15, 2018. Mazur most recently served as Deputy Chief of Staff and Legislative Director

in the Office of Texas Sen. Van Taylor.

"We're extremely fortunate to have someone with Jeremy's experience and expertise in state government join our team," said RRC Executive Director Wei Wang. "Jeremy has served our state for nearly two decades and brings a breadth and depth of both policy and budget knowledge to the agency that will be invaluable when working with state leadership and the Legislature."

Mazur has previously served as Director of Government Relations for the Texas Water Development Board and as a Policy Analyst with

the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission. In addition, he's held senior leadership positions in the offices of Texas House of Representatives' members.

"I'm deeply honored and genuinely excited to join the team at the Railroad Commission," said Mazur. "The Commission has a history unmatched in Texas government, and the agency remains vital to the economic success of our great state by ensuring safe, responsible energy production."

Mazur earned his Bachelor of Arts from Claremont McKenna College, and holds a Master of Public Affairs from the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin.

## Board Your Pets In Style at Hooves and Paws

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## Texas Workforce Commission Welcomes Newly Appointed Commissioner Representing the Public Robert D. Thomas

AUSTIN, TX- The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) is pleased to welcome its new Commissioner Representing the Public, Robert D. Thomas of Austin. Commissioner Thomas joins the three-member Commission and will serve as the representative for the public promoting and supporting the growth of Texas' world-class employers and talented workforce that will continue to lead the Texas economy toward a promising future.

"I am truly honored to have the opportunity to serve the people of Texas in this capacity," said TWC Commissioner Thomas. "I look

forward to working with Chair Ruth R. Hughes and Commissioner Julian Alvarez, along with our many partners and stakeholders, to continue promoting the innovative workforce and economic development strategies that make Texas the best place to work and do business."

Commissioner Thomas serves along with fellow Commissioners Ruth R. Hughes, TWC Chair and Commissioner Representing Employers and Julian Alvarez, TWC Commissioner Representing Labor. Together, the commissioners promote and support a workforce system that

creates value and offers employers, individuals, and communities the opportunity to achieve and sustain economic prosperity.

"It is my great pleasure to welcome Commissioner Thomas to TWC and the Texas Workforce Solutions network," said TWC Chair Ruth R. Hughes. "His skills and expertise will certainly be a benefit to the state of Texas and I look forward to serving alongside him to address the workforce needs of our state."

Prior to his appointment, Commissioner Thomas served as principal of the Thomas Consulting Group. He is a member of the State Bar of Texas and the Greater Austin Cham-

ber of Commerce and a former member of the Real Estate Council of Austin and the Entrepreneur Organization - Austin Chapter.

In addition to his work in the private sector, Thomas is also a gubernatorial appointee and Chair of the Texas Facilities Commission and former gubernatorial appointee to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs. Additionally, he is a member of the Austin Community College Bond Oversight Committee and the Downtown Austin Vision Steering Committee, former member of the Travis County Civil and Family Courts Committee, and former board member of the African American Cultural Heritage District.

"Commissioner Thomas brings a wealth of knowledge and experience," said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Julian Alvarez. "The public of our great state will benefit from his expertise and the high standards set by his office and staff."

Thomas is a graduate of Loyola University, The University of Texas School of Law, and the McCombs School of Business at the University of Texas at Austin.

For information and resources available to the Texas public, visit the web page of the TWC Commissioner Representing Employers on the TWC website.

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month along with continued detour pavement and utility construction.

FM 720 North - A traffic switch onto new pavement on both the north and south ends of the road construction from south of Martop Road to U.S. 380 may occur this month, weather permitting. Reinforced concrete pipe, detours, embankment and excavation can be expected this month along with placing lime and asphalt for the south and north ends of the project.

FM 455 - On Oct. 8, crews closed FM 2164 north to detour traffic to FM 1190 to build new roadway and remove the old roadway. Crews will start subgrade and base for FM 2164 north and start subgrade and base work for Union Hill.

Interstate 35E - Expect various daily lane closures for construction activities along the northbound frontage road from State School Road/Mayhill Road to South Loop 288. Construction on the Brinker Road and the Loop 288 bridges will continue.

County road and bridge updates Union Hill/ FM 455/ FM 2164 Realignment Project - The Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) has taken over management of this project.

Rockhill Road/Arvin Hill Road Project - Revisions to 100-percent plans to accommodate changing offsite conditions and concerns. Bid documents are being created. Utility relocation coordination is ongoing.

US 377/Arvin Hill/Stewart Road Intersection Project - Design under review by TxDOT.

Sam Bass Road Project - FM 455 North of Nance Road - De-

sign plans are at 95 percent. The project is waiting on TXDOT to acquire ROW.

Pecan Valley Road Culvert Replacement - Coordination between all parties is ongoing.

Hackberry Creek Park Road Project - Preliminary design plans have been submitted to the county.

Lois Road West Culvert Replacement - Survey and engineering study is ongoing.

November Holiday closings for Denton County offices

We want to wish everyone a happy and safe Thanksgiving. Denton County offices will close on Nov. 12 in recognition of Veterans Day, and on Thanksgiving Day and the following Friday, Nov. 23.

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"For the last several decades, Kiddie Academy

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Contact: For more information about the groundbreaking ceremony or about the new Kiddie Academy location in Union Park, please contact Lisa Morris at (214) 597-8289 or email unionpark@kiddieacademy.net.

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*'Texas Women's Team...' continued from front page*

significantly impact space flight mission success," said Team Lead Curt Neeld of Tioga, Texas, who plans to pursue a career as a physical therapist. "In fact, our analysis shows it is the musculoskeletal injury with the highest incidence detailed in NASA's records of in-flight medical conditions. As we are primarily pre-physical and pre-occupational therapy students, we decided to address this from a rehabilitative perspective."

With the start of the fall semester, the team conducted initial research and created preliminary designs of the prototype for their project: a garment with integrated technology—an electrical stimulator for muscular activation to be worn by

an astronaut while awake. "Wearable technology is popular right now," said team member Miranda Moore of Bells, Texas, who plans to become an occupational therapist. "But, creating a garment incorporating technology to be worn in space gets complicated when you have to consider how to recharge the devices and how to dispose of used garments, especially on a mission to Mars."

To date, the team has submitted two reports outlining its project plan and budget and providing updates on prototype fabrication and experiments. These reports were evaluated to determine which teams are selected for the next challenge level. The TWU design team already received approval to move

to Level 3: The Design Challenge Showcase to be held Nov. 12 in Houston.

"The TSGC told us they had a record number of applications (30) for this year's design challenge," Rigby said. "We will be one of 14 teams at the design showcase. I am very proud of this team for developing and executing a project that potentially could improve functional health outcomes in astronauts."

In addition to Neeld and Moore, team members include Alexis Quintana of Aubrey, Arienne Scheller of Houston, and Audra Romans of Bonham, who all plan to earn a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree; and Charles Swieczkowski of Frisco, who intends to apply to a physician assistant graduate program.



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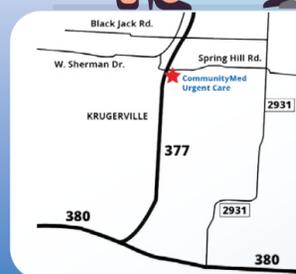


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http://www.cowboychurchofcoopercreek.org/

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www.crossfellowship380.com

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972-292-1953

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www.midwaychurch.org

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www.crosswayumc.org

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## Prayerful Considerations and New Beginnings

*Pilot Point the Birthplace of the Church of the Nazarene*

Wayne Edwards



It was May of 2013 in San Diego, CA and I couldn't wait for my summer break. I was going back to my roots—Texas. Every few years, I would plan a trip to Oklahoma and East Texas for one simple reason—to go fishing for large-mouth bass. While I was putting new string on my reels and making the list of lures I needed to take with me, I was thinking what I would do besides fish while I was there. One of the thoughts I couldn't get out of my head was that I needed to go back to the roots of where the Church of the Nazarene was

born—Pilot Point, Texas. After all, I was a Nazarene pastor and it wasn't too far from where I would be fishing. It was the summer of 1970. The place? Arrowhead Camp on the Brazos River, near Glen Rose, Texas—just southwest of Fort Worth. I had been going to a local Church of the Nazarene in Amarillo, Texas. My pastor had asked me if I wanted to go to a camp for a week. I jumped at the chance because it would mean a week away from working at my dad's local grocery store business. But that wasn't the only reason I wanted to go. God had been talking to me about

my life as a young man, that I needed to make some changes in favor of serving him. While there on the Brazos River—I gave my heart to Jesus and surrendered my life to him. Little did I know that I would spend the next 43 years serving God in the Church of the Nazarene. While thinking about my upcoming trip to Texas, I was excited about the possibilities of seeing the birthplace of the Church of the Nazarene. After all, for the past 19 years I had been in North San Diego County as pastor teaching the new members coming into our local church about the history of the Church of the Nazarene—that it began in a small Texas town north of Dallas-Fort Worth, Pilot Point, Texas, with a special ministry to unwed mothers called The Rest Cottage. From humble beginnings of revival sweeping the United

States after the Civil War—the Church of the Nazarene was born. People gathered from the East, West and the South. The revival movement would be affirmed in the small Texas town of Pilot Point—the date was October 13, 1908. The church started with close to 10,000 members at the beginning and today is almost three million strong all over the world. After several days of great fishing in East Texas (is there any other kind), I pointed my truck west on I-35 to the Denton area. Driving north on I-35, I pulled off at the Sanger exit, got me a Sonic Coke and headed to Pilot Point for the first time. As I crossed the dam at the south end of Lake Ray Roberts, I began to get excited. As I made my way north on Highway 377 and turned left on Liberty (Hwy 1192), I really didn't know what to expect. But there it was—a

little red bricked church with the name, "Pilot Point Church of the Nazarene Church." After meeting the pastor and getting a grand tour of the town and the historic sites, we prayed together and it seemed like something was stirring within me. The attendance had fallen to only a handful of members, but their hearts were still wanting to see God move in their area. As I drove away that day, I remembered the pastor's words, "I'm planning on retiring soon." Back in San Diego, God was moving in my heart and in September of 2015, the District Superintendent, aware of my visit to Pilot Point, called me in California and asked me if I might consider coming to Texas and restarting the old church. After prayerfully considering the opportunity to help move the history of the church forward, we (Deb-

bie and I) headed to Pilot Point in March of 2016. And wow—what an adventure it has been. Today, almost two years into our restart, the church is seeing new life and growth. Our two-year anniversary is coming June 10th and we are excited. Who would have ever thought that I would be in the birth place of this great movement? God would. As Philippians 1:6 says, "He who began good work in you will carry it on to completion..." And we are seeing that happen every day in Pilot Point. For more information about our church, now Gracepoint Nazarene Church, go to [gracepoinnaz.net](http://gracepoinnaz.net) or follow us on FaceBook, where you can catch my weekly video posts every Monday morning on the square in Pilot Point.



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