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Never think there's not a lot going on with Sulphur Springs people! As spring advances and the weather changes, what to wear on any given day is a question everybody asks! So, here's how one downtown merchant spells spring! "Fashion in Bloom!", a style show held on Sunday March 1, 2020. About 150 women filled the beautiful venue called Charleston Sky and watched as the fashions were modeled from a vertical runway! That is, the double staircase in the center of the ballroom. Marlene DeYong, owner of Marlene's Sass & Class Boutique, organized the event AND handled the emcee duties, making it informative, well-paced and super fun! Marlene never meets a stranger, is a born hostess, emcee and businesswoman, and has certainly found her niche in the fashion business. A round of applause for Marlene and her "Fashion in Bloom" event!



Jan Massey won a door prize and it was her birthday!

Marlene

Fashion
In
Bloom!

Among the local celebrities attending was Miss Ft. Worth Alex Anderson, a beautiful blonde who is also associated with the Miss America Pageant. Marlene got to know Alex when she came in to the store to buy a pair of boots earlier this year. While welcoming ladies at the door, Alex modeled not just her crown, but a short denim skirt outfit paired with elegant black bell-sleeve top and showy western belt. And she rocked several more outfits during the style show. Alex performed one of her competition songs as part of the entertainment. Good luck to Miss Alex as she continues her journey to represent Texas all the way to Miss America, and thanks for being part of the "Fashion in Bloom" Style Show!

More thanks in order: to Corner Grub House for the lovely and large Cheese Board with a delicious array of meats'n cheeses, fruits and petit fours...to Phinnesse Winery for the complimentary wine barto Joy Wilson and Flippin Printing for colorful, creative printing... to Dana's and to Everything Unique for lovely table decor...to Chad's Media for capturing the memories...to Wyatt Bowen of FullBlast Productions for the music...and to Kevin and Lisa Carter and staff of Charleston Sky who made this a gracious and memorable event.

Marlene also offered in-house shopping of clothing, shoes, hats, handbags and jewelry, and this chance to buy in the beautiful and informal setting was enthusiastically embraced! I have to admit, I came home with two beautiful tops that will help me welcome spring to my closet! If you're tired of the dark and drab of winter, make a stop at Marlene's Sass & Class Boutique at 212 Main Street, downtown Sulphur Springs and see for yourself what's blooming for Spring!

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On the second Sunday of March at 2 a.m., clocks move forward one hour. Then, on the first Sunday of November at 2 a.m., the clocks turn back an hour. A good way to remember it? The time shifts match the seasons: Clocks "*spring*" forward an hour in March and "*fall*" back in November.

In the summer months, the sun is out for longer periods of time, so you can rely on daylight to avoid switching lights on. The clocks revert back to standard time for the winter months so the sun can rise earlier and the world starts the day off with sunlight -- otherwise some places wouldn't see the sun come up until almost 8:30 a.m.

While the practice can help reduce some energy consumption, critics have raised concerns of whether the amount of energy saved is worth the hassle of implementing the system around the world.

In 2008, the US Department of Energy found that the four-week extension of DST from April-October to March-November saved about 0.5 percent in total electricity every day. While that seems like almost nothing, it totals 1.3 billion kilowatt-hours and the DOE says that adds up to "the amount of electricity used by more than 100,000 households for an entire year."



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Peggy L. Horton

A Memorial Service for Peggy L. Horton, 88, of Lone Oak, TX will be held at Tapp Funeral Home on Friday, March 6, 2020 at 2:00 P.M. with Brother C.J. Duffy officiating. Inurnment will be later at Restlawn Memorial Park. Peggy passed away on Sunday, March 1, 2020 at her home in Lone Oak. She was born on January 23, 1932 the daughter of Sid Walker and Lois Barker Walker. Peggy married William Henry Horton on November 4, 1974 in Athens, TX. Mr. Horton preceded her in death in 2010. She was a seamstress and of the Baptist faith. Survivors include: sons: Donald Gene Bunch and wife, Debby of Cumby, Robert Ronald Bunch and wife, Sharon of Mesquite and James Richard Bunch and wife, Beth, of Sulphur Springs; brother: Leland Walker and wife, Sue, of Sulphur Springs; sisters: Carolyn Stoval of Sulphur Springs and Shirley Barker of Sulphur Springs; sister-in-law: Betty Horton of Andrews, TX; and numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other family members. She was preceded in death by her parents: Sid and Lois Walker; husband: Bill Horton; brothers: Gerald D. Horton and Claude Lee Horton; son: Larry Lee Horton.

Frances Xavier Bauer

Memorial Service for Francis Xavier Bauer, age 75, of Yantis, TX will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Saturday, March 7, 2020 at First Presbyterian Church with Rev. Charles Moore and Rev. H.P. Hosey officiating. Visitation will be held at the family residence at Lands End after the service. Francis Xavier Bauer passed away on Monday, March 2, 2020, at his residence in Yantis, TX. Francis was born on July 10, 1944 in Lebanon, PA to Dr. Francis Xavier Bauer and Mary Virginia Paulin. He married Suzanne Newman on June 9, 1973 in Oklahoma City, OK. Francis proudly served the US Army in Vietnam. He was a special agent in the Secret Service before attending law school. He practiced law in Sulphur Springs for the past 37 years. He was a big sports fan and enjoying watching Villanova basketball and the Pittsburgh Steelers, and attending SMU football games. The highlight of his morning was running his Huckleberry hound around the golf course with his friends.

He is survived by his wife; daughter, Erin Bauer; son, Chris Bauer and wife, Brooke Bauer; granddaughters, Mary Frances Bauer and Anne Claire Bauer, sisters Mary Bauer, Toni Bauer-Smedberg and husband, Jeffrey, and Anne Bauer and husband, Jay; brothers, James Bauer and wife, Mary Sue and John Bauer and wife Yun; and many nieces and nephews Francis was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Gregory Bauer.

Arrangements under the direction of Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home. The online register can be signed at www.murrayorwosky.com

Trudy May Mayers

Graveside services for Trudy May Mayers, age 86, of Sulphur Springs, were held at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, March 1, 2020 at Brashear Cemetery with Rev. Charles Moore officiating and Terry Tate, Kyle Tate, Cole Burnett, Steve Mooney, Benny Darlin, and Chad Darlin serving as pallbearers. Visitation was held at 1:00 p.m., prior to service time, at West Oaks Funeral Home. Trudy passed away on Thursday, February 27, 2020 at her residence. She was born on January 26, 1934 in Sulphur Springs, the daughter of Leslie Delmar Dickens and Ruby Pearl Proctor Dickens. She is survived by son, Terry Tate of Cumby, daughter, Cindy Russell of Sulphur Springs, grandchildren, Kyle Tate and Cole Burnett, and great-grandchildren, Addison, Hudson, and Heston Burnett. She was preceded in death by her parents. Arrangements were under the direction of West Oaks Funeral Home. www.westoaksfuneralhome.com

Charlie Russell Peckham

February 25, 1986 – March 01, 2020

Charles "Charlie" Russell Peckham, 34, of Sulphur Springs released his spirit unto heaven on March 1, 2020. Charlie, as he was affectionately known, was born on February 25, 1986 in Mt. Pleasant, Texas to George Monroe Peckham and Jennifer Marie Crist. He lived in the Winnsboro and surrounding areas all his life and was loved by so many who knew him. Charlie was a pipeline welder who was skilled at his craft. He was talented doing leather work and had made a few knives for himself. Charlie loved the outdoors, fishing, hunting and knew his way around a kitchen and outdoor grill. What Charlie loved most was his family, especially his kids Eli, Waylon, C.J. and Kendra, and he'd tell you not to leave out his dogs "Pisiden" and "Skid".

He was a member of Cross Spur Cowboy Church in Sulphur Springs. Charlie was preceded in death by his mother Jennifer Marie Crist. He is survived by his father George Monroe Peckham; sons Eli, Waylon and C.J. Peckham; daughter Kendra Peckham; brothers George Peckham, Jr. and Johnny Ray Peckham; sisters Athena Sanders, Linda Geffers, Elizabeth Peckham, Sebrena Peckham, Courtney Peckham; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation Saturday, March 7, 2020 10:00am – 11:00am Location: Beaty Funeral Home-Winnsboro, 816 W. Broadway Winnsboro, TX 75494.



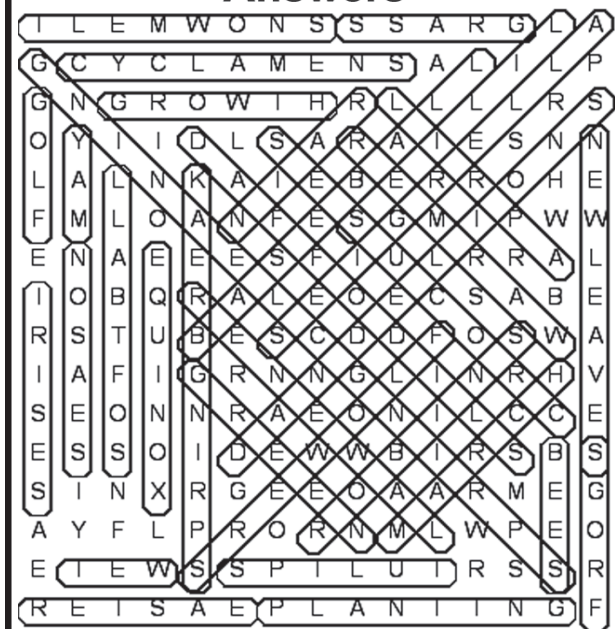
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Dee Carter of Midland has had parallel careers. After graduating with BA and MA degrees in religion he was a minister 5 years. He was a basketball referee 28 years (Division One for 12 years). And he sings. "I've been singing all my life. My mother told me I used to stand up in my crib and sing when I was 2 years old. I've been singing for as long as I can remember and still sing with the Midland Odessa Symphony Chorale. I entertained all through high school and college and formed my own little band called The Rebels.

We followed Roy Orbison around when he was with the Teen Kings. We performed at a lot of youth centers and that sort of thing. We played a lot of Elvis music. I started impersonating Elvis sort of semi professional and then starting doing it as a fulltime profession. I did that 15 years, traveling all over Europe and the US. I still have the costumes and the music down the hall in a storeroom to prove it. It was fun. I enjoyed it. I still get calls occasionally but I think I'm past the age to do that and I'd have to shave my beard and mustache to do it now and I don't want to do that."

He has recorded several CDs of his performances as Elvis and can still say THANK YOU VERY MUCH. "We had to say that at least once during every performance or they'd take our card away. I'm still a member of the Elvis Society, a group of people who perform as Elvis."

Dee has been a financial consultant in Midland nearly 50 years. The last 20 years have been spent helping people plan for retirement. He wrote about that in his book titled IT'S NOW OR NEVER. "I named it that because if you don't start planning now you may never get started," says Dee. "When you get ready to retire there are several things to have in place. Number one, make sure you don't have any debts. If you go into retirement with debts you're in really big trouble. That's not a good place. If you can, have your house paid for. I want my clients to have enough money to live well as long as they want to. I switched to retirement planning when I realized most of my clients were getting a little long in the tooth like I am and they didn't want to lose any money."

He says you should save 10 percent of your income every year and have 6 to 10 months if income in savings before retirement. Social Security is not enough. "The average Social Security check is like \$1150 now. If you start getting your social security money at age 62 you lose a lot of benefits you might need down the road. If you wait until you're 70 you get about another 24 percent of income added to that."

Dee urges his clients to start planning for retirement at age 55. "If people come in at age 55 I tell them they need to start thinking about taking a look at where their investments are and start thinking about moving from growth to income over a period of time." The title of his book is from an Elvis song that has lyrics containing the words "tomorrow will be too late. It's now or never." Every chapter of his book starts with the name of a song.

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