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Ms. Texas Senior Classic. Patsy Roan Crist WON the pageant in Tyler on Saturday September 23, 2017. She already wore the crown and sash of Ms. Hopkins County Senior!

She loves Lucy, and it's apparent from her talent presentation. It's a take on the 1950's "Vitameatavegamin" episode of the I Love Lucy show, where Lucy wrangles a job doing a TV commercial demonstrating a health product. If you watched the original episode in person back in May 1952 you were among the 68% of viewing audience, all glued to the set for the historic antic! Patsy makes a perfect Lucy, and her showmanship makes her performance a classic as well! Thanks Patsy, for your hilarious presentation at the local Classic Pageant back in Spring 2017, and congratulations on earning the Ms. Texas Senior Classic title. Patsy and husband Gene Crist live at Cumby, they have 2 daughters and 9 grandchildren. She loves quilting, jewelry-making and gardening. For fun, she's a member of the Red Hat Regal Foxy Fillies. I suspect she will be very busy representing Texas senior women across the state this year!



Ever heard of a tickle tongue tree? I've only seen two and they've both been in Delta County. The bark of the tickle tongue tree makes your lips and tongue numb, but before it does, it has an awful taste and burns enough to make the unsuspecting spit and scream. Long ago it was used by Indians and pioneers to deaden the pain of toothache. Our friend Eddie Trapp says some call it the Hercules Club but it's real name is prickly ash. Several species of swallowtail butterfly use this plant as food for their larvae. The trunk and stems have numerous short, sharp thorns attached to a circular base. If you use a pocketknife, you can sometimes pop the base off with the thorn intact. Their best use was in schoolyard pranks and maybe by teachers as early thumbtacks. Prickly ash bitters are extracted and used in herbal medicine, for digestive, and other problems.



I want to invite everybody to a real old-fashioned community event on Saturday October 21 at the Reilly Springs Community Center. It will be a musical celebration of the Reilly Springs Jamboree's 61st anniversary. The show first began in October 1956 and provided interesting and inexpensive country music entertainment on Saturday nights. Guess what, it still does! Today, it's held monthly on the third Saturday of each month. On October 21, in addition to a massive lineup of musical guests including Hannah Kirby, Bill Owens and Don Woods, there will be a meal in the kitchen plus a pot of chili or stew outside, a country store and old-fashioned cake walks. How long has it been since you participated in a cake walk? Well that's too long! Come to Reilly Springs and you will step back to an era to when neighbors were friends and everybody cared about each other. The building is the Reilly Springs schoolhouse where the last classes were held in 1955. Jamboree admission is only \$10 and you'll take home way more than your money's worth in fun, good will and great memories. Be sure and come back for the November 18 show and enjoy Josh Davis and Miss Billie Jo Sewell. For the Christmas Jamboree, we are taking the show on the road. We're planning a Christmas Concert and Dance on December 9 at the Seniors Center to help emphasize the needs of the current Center. The festive evening is designed to raise money for a much-needed larger building. Call or text me if you have any questions about the Jamboree, 903-438-3568, or if you wish to donate to the Sr. Citizens building fund. God bless you for your generous, genuine desire to help.

Reilly Springs Jamboree

Go ahead, look into your phone's picture gallery and scroll through the pictures you've taken this year. We should review the summer's best memories that you and I have made, and count our blessings as we "harvest" the joy these have brought us. You know, there are no guarantees in this life...we must enjoy the "present", this marvelous gift He gives. Til next week, I will watch for you at the corral gate!

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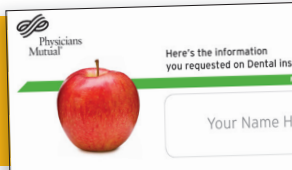
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- **Tuesday, Oct. 10**
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11th Annual Senior Expo
League Street Church of Christ
- **Monday, Oct. 16**
1 pm
Wreaths with Rock Creek
Rock Creek Health and Rehab
- **Saturday, Oct. 21**
10:30 am
Hopkins County Fall Festival Parade
- **Tuesday, Oct. 24**
12 noon
Senior Citizen Days at the Fall Festival, Chili Cook-off
- **Saturday, Oct. 28**
1 pm
Earl W. Martin 42 Tournament
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Frank R. Bell

Graveside services for Frank R. Bell, age 75, of Sulphur Springs were conducted at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at the Sulphur Springs City Cemetery with Rev. C. J. Duffy officiating. There was no formal visitation. Pallbearers were Mike Phillips, Don Bell, Butch Adams, Craig Seymore, Paul Lee Loyd, Jerry Ray Moss, Talley Bell and Lex Cunningham. Mr. Bell passed away Monday, September 25, 2017 at Carriage House Manor. He was born on August 22, 1942 in Henrico County, Virginia, the son of Joe Warren Bell and Nara Fina Chaney Bell. He was married to Linda Sue Lacy for 58 years. She survives. Mr. Bell was an automotive parts salesman and a member of Davis Street Baptist Church. In addition to his wife he is survived by his son, Brian Bell, granddaughter, Kara Ballard and husband Dustin, great-grandsons, Dawson and Dylan Ballard all of Sulphur Springs. Arrangements were under the direction of West Oaks Funeral Home. www.westoaksfuneralhome.com



Dakota Shane Humphries

Funeral service for Dakota Shane Humphries, age 21, of Sulphur Springs, have been scheduled for 11:00 AM, Thursday, September 28, 2017 at Tapp Funeral Home Chapel with Kerry Roy officiating. Serving as pallbearers will be Javier Maceda, Zeke Palacios, Justin Humphries, Kami Wilton, Ian Wilton and John Humphries. Visitation is scheduled for 2 hours prior to the service. Dakota Humphries passed away on September 25, 2017 at Hospice of East Texas in Tyler.

Dakota was born in Dallas on April 23, 1996, the son of John Michael Humphries and Ana Sylvia Valdez Humphries.

Survivors include: father, John Humphries; brothers, Justin D'Wayne Humphries, John Michael Humphries, II, Johnathan Humphries, Bradley Humphries, J.J. Humphries and Brett Humphries; sisters, Destiny Humphries and Kami Wilton; grandparents, Zeke Palacios and Jose Valdez.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Ana Humphries; brother, Austin Humphries; grandmother, Anna Palacios; great grandmother, Sybil Caudle

James Derle Buchanan

James Derle Buchanan was undoubtedly the most loved man in Cumby, Texas. His heart was so full of love for his family, God, and anyone that he ever met. Known to many as JD, James passed away at the tender age of 75 in Greenville on September 23, 2017. He was surrounded by family and friends as he was released from his pain.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Linda (Powell); his children Donna Eoff of Mesquite, Brenna Hazelip and husband, Phil of Cumby, and David Buchanan and wife, Torrie of Benton, AR; six grandchildren, Catrina Mullins, Cattie Powers, Bree Mefford, Ryan Mefford, Westyn Buchanan, and Karsyn Buchanan; seven great-grandchildren, one great-great grandchild, sister Kathy Yarbrow and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Curtis Buchanan and Jimmy Buchanan.

James was born in Cooper, Texas on November 6, 1941 to J.C. and Audry (James) Buchanan. He joined to the United States Army in 1960 and served until 1963. In 1964, he married the love of his life, Linda, in Cumby. He was an Inspector Supervisor at Vought Aircraft until he retired in 2003. He loved to piddle around working on cars and tractors, fishing with his "little buddies", and giving Linda a hard time. He was a member of Cornerstone Baptist Church.

Visitation was held on Monday, September 25, 2017 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home in Sulphur Springs. His funeral took place at Cornerstone Baptist Church in Cumby at 11:00am on Tuesday, September 26, 2017, followed by graveside services at Cumby Cemetery.

He will be carried to his final resting place by Ryan Mefford, Westyn Buchanan, Karsyn Buchanan, Adam Yarbrow, John Bendall, and Ronnie Moreland. His honorary pallbearers are his "little buddies" Koltyn Hazelip, Bradin Pritchett, and J.W. Yarbrow; along with David Buchanan and Phil Hazelip.

Arrangements were under the direction of Murray-Orwosky Funeral Home.

The online register may be signed at www.murrayorwosky.com

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The town of Marathon has had a marathon race since 2003.

"We run a full marathon, a half marathon, a 10k and a 5k," says Marci Roberts, who is in charge of the race.

"We bus all of our racers from Marathon north on Highway 385 and let them off at different starting points along the way. They all have one finish line and it's right here in the heart of Marathon."

Since Marci took over the race a couple of years ago, the number of participants has increased. Registration is underway now.

"The race takes place on October 21st this year. It's on a Saturday. If you go to marathon2marathon.net you'll get all the information you need and you can register right there."

In the past, the race attracted runners mostly from major Texas cities. "Then we started getting runners from out of state and now we're getting them from out of the country. This is a Boston Marathon qualifier."

Registration is 95, 75, 45 and 35 dollars respectively. Proceeds go to Marathon schools, churches, the library and fire department.

"This is not the typical race you find in a big city where your contribution isn't really felt. Here it is hugely felt. The whole town comes out for it. It's the biggest event we have. It's a very heartfelt, sweet race because we only have 430 people living in town. We have a hundred volunteers for the race. We had 502 registrations last year."

Participants get a t-shirt. Finishers get a medal on a ribbon and winners get special awards. The race is downhill and runners end up at a lower altitude.

"Marathon can't hold all the participants. They stay in Alpine or Fort Stockton, some as far away as Fort Davis or Marfa."

If you haven't been to Marathon, you will find it an interesting place. Several people from Austin and other places have found it a pleasant place to live. The cost of living is reasonable, the scenery is outstanding since it's the gateway to the Big Bend National Park and the weather is near perfect.

If you need a good bottle of wine or some ice cream you can find them at Marci's grocery store. It has all necessary supplies for spending a few days in the mountains. Most of the time you'll find Marci at James Evans's photography gallery. She is married to James. Marci plays piano and is a member of the Texas Commission On The Arts.

"Well I'm a registered architect and interior designer, so that's what I have done my whole life and am very passionate about it. I worked at architectural firms in Connecticut, New York City and Austin, then had my own business in Austin. I kinda got burned out and ended up moving here."



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Danna's Flea Market Style and Swap Highway 11 Sale debuts Oct. 11-14 in Winnsboro, April 12-14 in Sul. Spgs.

By TERRY MATHEWS Arts/Copy Editor of The Winnsboro News

If Danna Bain and her Buffalo Girls have their way, the second week in October will soon become as famous as Antique Week in Round Top or First Monday in Canton. Bain and her team have plans to make their Highway 11 Flea Market Style/Swap, beginning in Sulphur Springs and headed to points east, one of the best on the Texas "junque" trail.

The event makes its debut Wednesday, Oct. 11 and continues through Saturday, Oct. 14.

"This will be a picker's paradise and a shopper's dream," Bain said of the market's debut. Bain calls herself "a trader at heart," loves the treasure hunt and is always looking for that special find.

"The find is memories and memories of the past," she explains. "Of my 27 years of buying, selling and trading, I have the fondest memories of people I have met."

Bain has brought these experiences to her store, beginning in 1989 when she opened her first shop, "Danna's Old West."

In 1991, Bain set up on "The Walkway by the Creek" during First Monday Trade Days in Canton. She soon closed the "Old West Store" and operated several booths in Dallas and Gladewater before establishing Danna's Gifts and Florist on the service road in Sulphur Springs.

She has since moved her operations to 438 Gilmer Street in Sulphur Springs.

Bain and her staff have adopted the

buffalo as their mascot. A big buffalo stands in front of the shop.

"I have adopted the buffalo as my mascot because of the buffalo's strength, longevity and group unity," Bain explained.

The creed of Danna's Buffalo Girls reads: Stand your ground. Have a tough hide. Keep moving on. Cherish wide open spaces. Have a strong spirit. Roam wild and free. Let the chips fall where they may.

Bain's part of the event is being held on her parents' land just east of the Propane Company and the railroad tracks on Highway 11 headed toward Winnsboro.

Special information: Every guest will need to register every day. At 4 p.m. each day, there will be a drawing for a special gift. You must be present to win.

Every day at 4:30, vendors will have a special sale.

Root beer and special snacks will also be served at 4:30 every day.

The first 10 shoppers at Buffalo Girls' Booth each day will be given a goodie bag.

With every purchase at the BG Booth, the customer's name will be entered for the quilt giveaway on Saturday.

Buffalo Girls Cafe will be cooking breakfast, lunch and dinner every day - this booth is sponsored by the Winnsboro Area Chamber of Commerce to Debbie May and the Interact Students at Winnsboro High School for assistance with the event.

Wednesday, Oct. 11 events include:

- Ribbon Cutting at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 11 at 20670 Highway 11 East.
- T-shirt giveaways.

On Thursday, Oct. 12 the following events are scheduled:

- 8 a.m. First 10 shoppers will be given \$5 gift certificates to be spent in any booth.
- 8:30 Champagne/Strawberry Toast for opening day.

6 p.m. Hanah & Hailee and the Scatter Proof Band will perform. No admission charge, but donations gratefully accepted. Vendors can stay open.

On Friday, Oct. 13, these events are planned:

- 8 a.m. First 5 shoppers will be given a \$20 gift certificate to be spent in a booth.
- 8:30 a.m. Muffins and mimosas.

On Saturday, Oct. 14, events planned are:

- "Family Day" Merckie's Teacake Cookies and Strawberry Lemonade will be served.

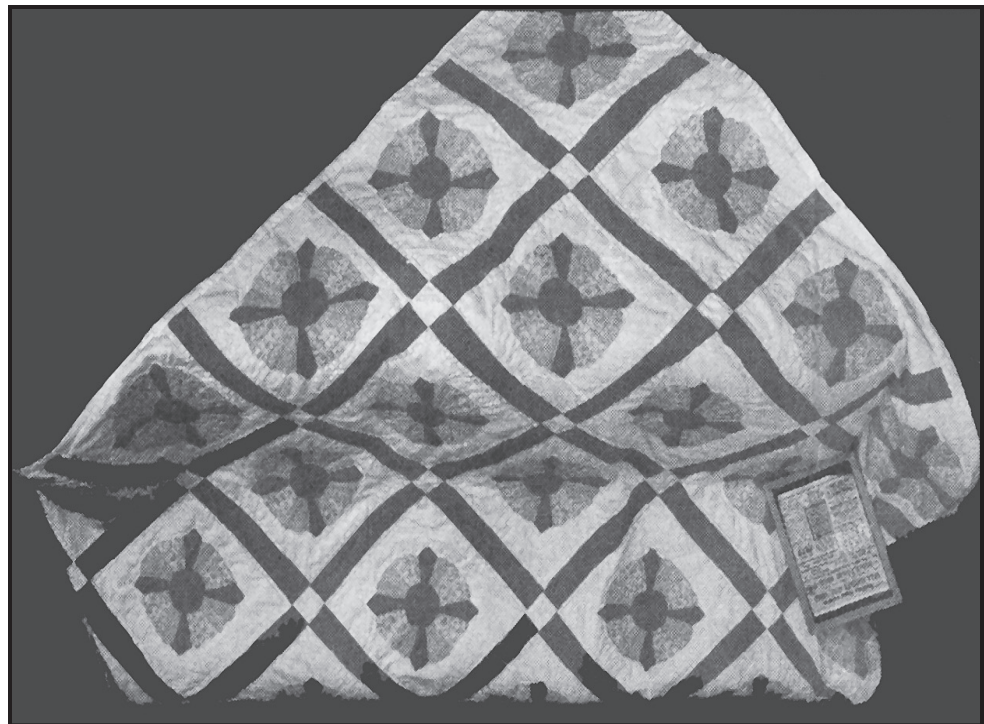
4 p.m. Dresden Plate Quilt by Grandmother Carter will be given away (Tickets are on sale now at Danna's in Sulphur Springs for \$1 each or 6 for \$5.)

6 p.m. Monty Tipps & the Mainstreet Band will perform for the Buffalo Ball. No admission charge, but donations gratefully accepted. Vendors can stay open. Fancy frocks encouraged, but not required. An award will be given for the best dressed.

"Dance in the dirt," Bain said as she invited guests to enjoy the music and dancing. "Casual frock, boots and jeans are OK, too, 'cause we are family 'round here."

Bain and her Buffalo Girls are currently in search of vendors and are urging everyone in the surrounding communities to take part in this upcoming event.

"This will be a buy,



Chances To Win Dresden Plate Quilt At Danna's

Chances for this colorful Dresden Plate Quilt are being sold at Danna's, located at 438 Gilmer Street in Sulphur Springs. Proceeds will benefit Morgan's Mercy Mansion. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The winner will be named Saturday, Oct. 14, during Danna's Buffalo Girls' Flea Market Style and Swap, located at 20670 Texas Highway 11 East, just east of the railroad tracks headed toward Winnsboro. The quilt measures 80"x96" and is currently on display at *The Winnsboro News*. The drawing will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday at the flea market/swap meet. (News Photo by ROSS HUNTER)

Talk around town...this will be a Pickers Paradise and a Shopper's Dream!!!

sell and swap meet, so anyone with anything to buy, sell or trade is welcome," she noted. "The types of vendors that we are searching for include homemade food items, furniture (re-purposed/fixerupper), vintage jewelry, guns & hunting supplies, fishing tackle, baby boutique items, "junk" booths, tool booths, clothing boutiques, equipment (used farm & lawn), garage sale booths or

clean out your closet and used baby items."

Bain and the Buffalo Girls also have similar events planned next year at the Hopkins County Civic Center April 12-14 and Nov. 9-11.

"We are so excited about all the happenings in our area and Danna and the Buffalo Girls want everyone in our community to get excited too!" Bain

stated. "The activity and traffic generated from these events will positively affect retailers, dining, lodging and bed & breakfasts in our local economy and will be enjoyed by all."

Check Bain's website at www.dannasfleamarketstyle.com, message her on Facebook at Danna's Fleamarket Style and Swap or call her at 903-439-7091 for more information.

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