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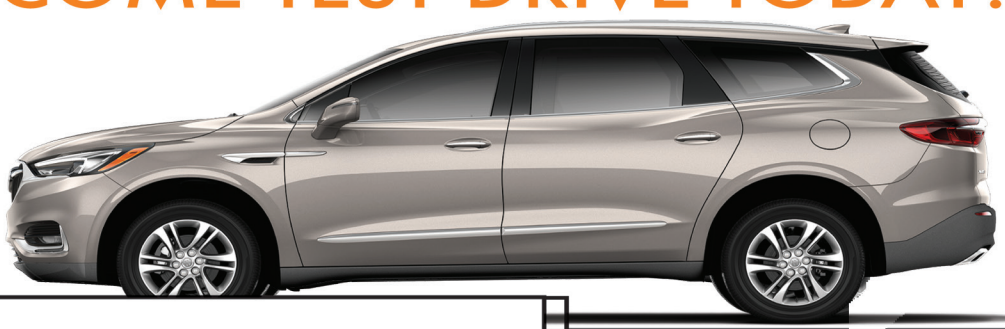
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The 2018 Season of shows at the Reilly Springs jamboree got off to a great start with quality entertainment at the January 20 Jamboree!

Buddy and Ina Gore are old friends of ours and they were excited to "open" for their good friend, gospel entertainer Mary Fay Jackson. Buddy shared some funny country stories through the evening that kept us chuckling. Ina shared the story of how their lives converged then merged as they travel about spreading the Good News through their music ministry, now for over 30 years. Buddy and Ina make up "Psalm 100" homebased near Yantis, Texas.



*Buddy and
Ina Gore*

Mary Fay Jackson is a gracious lady who is a full time minister and musician. She plays keyboard and sings and includes a lively banter of life on the road, growing up in a gospel-singing family, and her life at home as one of five singing sisters. More than one of her sisters and some of their offspring are part of today's Nashville gospel music industry. Mary Fay was kind enough to bring a camera and tape a segment about the Reilly Springs Jamboree for her "Texas Gospel Music" program to air on the Family Friendly Network.

*Mary Faye
Jackson*



Newcomers to the Jamboree were Dustin Ford and his mom Gaynell Ford. These Winnsboro residents are members of a cowboy church in Quitman. Justin often sings at church accompanied by his mom on guitar, but he wanted a country music experience as well. Through Jamboree historian Francell Burnett, he reached out to Roger Reed and the Sunshine Band to let him perform a couple of country songs he likes. Twenty-one year-old Justin possesses a strong bass voice that was exciting to listen to. He is invited back again to join us onstage again soon at the Jamboree!



*Dustin Ford &
Gaynell Ford*

Here's the lineup for more Jamboree shows in 2018.

- FEBRUARY 17 - "Crossfire" with Tom Glossup and Brad Davis
- MARCH 17 - Houston area singer Jake Penrod
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George Edward Foreman (born January 10, 1949) is an American former professional boxer who competed from 1969 to 1977, and from 1987 to 1997. Nicknamed "Big George", he is a two-time world heavyweight champion and an Olympic gold medalist. Outside the sport he is an ordained minister, author, and entrepreneur.

After a troubled childhood Foreman took up amateur boxing and won a gold medal in the heavyweight division at the 1968 Summer Olympics. Having turned professional the next year, he won the world heavyweight title with a second-round knockout of then-undefeated Joe Frazier in 1973. Two successful title defenses were made before Foreman's first professional loss to Muhammad Ali in "The Rumble in the Jungle" in 1974. Unable to secure another title opportunity, Foreman retired after a loss to Jimmy Young in 1977.

Following what he referred to as a religious epiphany, Foreman became an ordained Christian minister. Ten years later he announced a comeback and, in 1994 at age 45, he regained a portion of the heavyweight championship by knocking out 27-year-old Michael Moorer to win the unified WBA, IBF, and lineal titles. Foreman remains the oldest world heavyweight champion in history, and the second oldest in any weight class after Bernard Hopkins (at light heavyweight). He retired in 1997 at the age of 48, with a final record of 76 wins (68 knockouts) and 5 losses.

Foreman has been inducted into the World Boxing Hall of Fame and International Boxing Hall of Fame. The International Boxing Research Organization rates Foreman as the eighth greatest heavyweight of all time. In 2002, he was named one of the 25 greatest fighters of the past 80 years by The Ring magazine. The Ring ranked him as the ninth greatest puncher of all time. He was a ringside analyst for HBO's boxing coverage for twelve years until 2004. Outside boxing, he is a successful entrepreneur and known for his promotion of the George Foreman Grill, which has sold over 100 million units worldwide. In 1999, he sold the naming rights to the grill for \$138 million.

Early life and amateur career:

George Foreman was born in Marshall, Texas. He grew up in the Fifth Ward, Houston, with six siblings. Although he was raised by J. D. Foreman, whom his mother had married when George was a small child, his biological father was Leroy Moorehead. By his own admission in his autobiography, George was a troubled youth. He dropped out of school at the age of fifteen and later joined the Job Corps. After moving to Pleasanton, California, with the help of a supervisor he began to train in boxing. Foreman was interested in football and idolized Jim Brown, but gave it up for boxing.

Foreman won a gold medal in the boxing/heavyweight division at the 1968 Mexico City Olympic Games. In the final Olympic bout, Foreman defeated Soviet Union's Jonas Čepulis when the referee stopped the fight in the 2nd round. Čepulis' face was already bleeding in the first round from Foreman's punches, and had to take a standing eight count early in the second round. After winning the gold medal fight, Foreman walked around the ring carrying a small U.S. flag.

Amateur accomplishments:

Won his first amateur fight on January 26, 1967 by a first-round knockout in the Parks Diamond Belt Tournament.

Won the San Francisco Examiner's Golden Gloves Tournament in the Junior Division in February 1967.

February 1967: Knocked out Thomas Cook to win the Las Vegas Golden Gloves in the Senior Division.

February 1968: Knocked out L.C. Brown to win the San Francisco Examiner's Senior Title in San Francisco.

March 1968: Won the National AAU Heavyweight title in Toledo, Ohio vs. Henry Crump of Philadelphia in the final.

July 1968: Sparring five rounds on two different occasions with former World Heavyweight Champion Sonny Liston.

September 21, 1968: Won his second decision over Otis Evans to make the U.S. boxing team for the Mexico City Olympic Games.

Foreman had a 16-4 amateur boxing record going into the Olympics. He knocked out the Soviet Union's Jonas Čepulis to win the Olympic Games Heavyweight Gold Medal. He was trained for the Olympic Games by Robert (Pappy) Gault.

Professional career:

Foreman turned professional in 1969 with a three-round knockout of Donald Walheim in New York. He had a total of 13 fights that year, winning all of them (11 by knockout).

In 1970, Foreman continued his march toward the undisputed heavyweight title, winning all 12 of his bouts (11 by knockout). Among the opponents he defeated were Gregorio Peralta, whom he decisioned at Madison Square Garden although Peralta showed that Foreman was vulnerable to fast counter punching mixed with an assertive boxing style. Foreman then defeated George Chuvalo by technical knockout (TKO) in three rounds. After this win, Foreman defeated Charlie Polite in four rounds and Boone Kirkman in three.

In 1971, Foreman won seven more fights, winning all of them by knockout, including a rematch with Peralta, whom he defeated by knockout in the tenth and final round in Oakland, California, and a win over Leroy Caldwell, who was knocked out in the second round. After amassing a record of 32-0 (29 KO), he was ranked as the number one challenger by the WBA and WBC.

In 1972, still undefeated and with an impressive knockout record, Foreman was set to challenge undefeated and Undisputed World Heavyweight Champion Joe Frazier. Despite boycotting a title elimination caused by the vacancy resulting from the championship being stripped from Muhammad Ali, Frazier had won the title from Jimmy Ellis and defended his title four times since, including a 15-round unanimous decision over the previously unbeaten Ali in 1971 after Ali had beaten Oscar Bonavena and Jerry Quarry. Despite Foreman's superior size and reach, he was not expected to beat Frazier and was a 3:1 underdog going into the fight.

Foreman had cruised past two of the top names in the rankings. The win gave him a 40-0 record with 37 knockouts.

Foreman's next title defence, against Muhammad Ali, was historic. During the summer of 1974, he traveled to Zaire (now the Democratic Republic of the Congo) to defend his title against Ali. The bout was promoted as "The Rumble in the Jungle".

Foreman remained inactive during 1975. In 1976, he announced a comeback and stated his intention of securing a rematch with Ali. His first opponent was to be Ron Lyle, who had been defeated by Muhammad Ali in 1975, via 11-th round TKO. At the end of the first round, Lyle landed a hard right that sent Foreman staggering across the ring. In the second round, Foreman pounded Lyle against the ropes and might have scored a KO, but due to a timekeeping error the bell rang with a minute still remaining in the round and Lyle survived. In the third, Foreman pressed forward, with Lyle waiting to counter off the ropes. In the fourth, a brutal slugfest erupted. A cluster of power punches from Lyle sent Foreman to the canvas. When Foreman got up, Lyle staggered him again, but just as Foreman seemed finished, he retaliated with a hard right to the side of the head, knocking down Lyle. Lyle beat the count, then landed another brutal combination, knocking Foreman down for the second time. The fight was named by The Ring as "The Fight of the Year."

In this period, in 1993, Foreman also starred briefly in the situation comedy "George" on ABC. The show, which featured Foreman as a retired boxer, premiered in November, 1993, and ran for ten episodes where nine aired. The show was co-produced by actor and former boxer Tony Danza.

In 1999, Foreman was gracious and philosophical in his loss to Briggs, but announced his "final" retirement shortly afterwards.

When Foreman came back from retirement he argued that his success was due to his healthy eating. He was approached by Salton, Inc., which was looking for a spokesperson for its fat-reducing grill. Hulk Hogan had previously been considered, but chose to pitch the Hulkamania Meatball Maker instead. As of 2009, the George Foreman Grill has sold over 100 million units.

Although Foreman has never confirmed exactly how much he has earned from the endorsement, it is known that Salton paid him \$138 million in 1999, for the right to use his name. Prior to that, he was paid about 40% of the profits on each grill sold (earning him \$4.5 million a month in payouts at its peak), so it is estimated he has made a total of over \$200 million from the endorsement, substantially more than he earned as a boxer. Recently, Foreman has capitalized on the success obtained with the Foreman Grill to endorse InventHelp; the company behind INPEX (Invention and New Product Exposition); America's largest invention trade show.

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Tumbleweed Smith



Jim Little of Mineola has been bugling taps at military events for nearly sixty years. He played trumpet in the Air Force Band and played taps all over the country, including Arlington National Cemetery. Playing taps ain't what it used to be.

"We're finding that a lot of places now send somebody out with the new digital bugle," says Jim. "It's just a step above a boom box, but it's not the same thing. The digital insert is like a trumpet mute. It fits right inside the bell of a bugle. It has a digital speaker with a chip inside that has taps pre-loaded on it. You flip a switch and it begins playing taps. It's a beautiful digital recording but it has no soul. Now this is a trumpet player talking. There is no feeling to it. Buglers hate the thing but it's better than nothing.

"Sometimes there's a problem. People the military sends stand there and all they have to do is flip the switch. Occasionally they don't bother to check the battery before they flip the switch. There have been instances where the bugle just died right in the middle of taps. Matter of fact I was reading that on the 15th note of taps the sound cut off because the battery died.

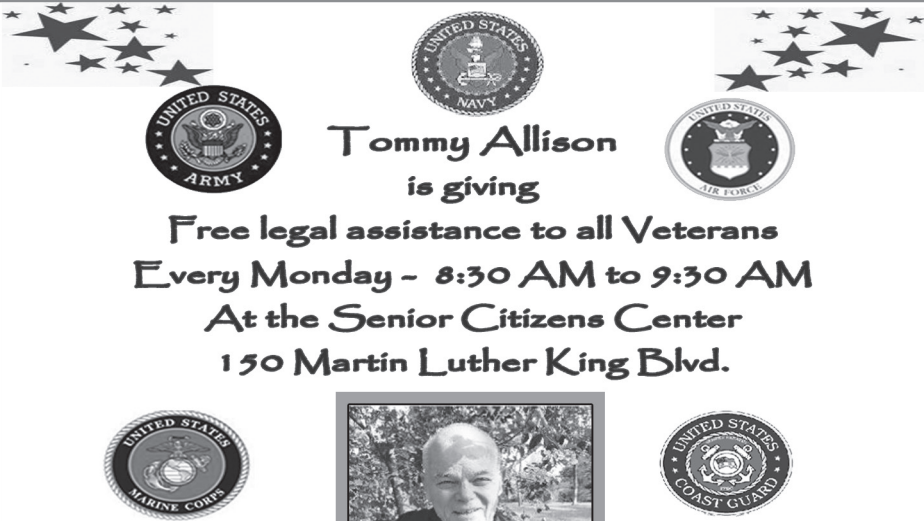
"There's also an instance which is funny but not funny. An honor guard group from Barksdale Air Force Base came over. They usually send a rifle team and someone to sound taps on the digital bugle. In this case, the person to play taps was a female. It was a hot summer day and she had been in the sun for a long time. Her legs locked up and right at the time for taps, she passed out. The bugle fell out of her hand and bounced down the hill playing taps."

Jim has been sounding taps since Memorial Day of 1959 when his high school band director asked him to go out to the local cemetery and play taps as part of the honor guard. When he joined the Air Force and got in the band, he continued to play taps for funerals and ceremonies.

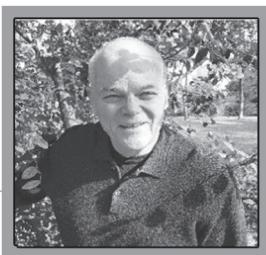
"They've cut the military bands down considerably since the time when I was in the Air Force. Probably about 20 per cent of the military bands still exist that were there in 1970. When I was in, we used real bugles and real buglers."

After his Air Force days, Jim was a high school band director at schools in Texas and Kansas. When I went to his home in Mineola, I noticed a motorcycle in his driveway and asked him about it. He is a member of the Patriot Guard Riders.

"It's a national organization that was formed out of the turmoil involving the picketing of soldiers' funerals by a church in Topeka, Kansas. They would chant 'death to soldiers' and hold picket signs saying 'this is God's will.' It got pretty nasty. An American Legion Motorcycle group in Topeka started going to the funerals and standing guard over the families. It spread all over the country and now every state has a chapter. We're formed to provide honor in an honorable setting for our warriors."



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Murry Edwin Froneberger

Funeral services for Murry Edwin Froneberger, age 86, were conducted at 11:00 am on Monday, January 22, 2018 at West Oaks Funeral Home with Jerry Savage and Buddy Wiggins officiating. Visitation was at 10:00 am, one hour prior to service time at West Oaks Funeral Home.

Murry passed away peacefully into the presence of the Lord Jesus Christ on Friday, January 19, 2018 at Hopkins House in Sulphur Springs.

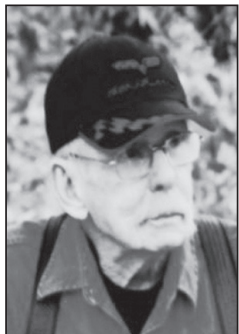
Family requests that in lieu of flowers, a memorial contribution be made to the League Street Church of Christ College Fund in Murry's name.

Murry was born on October 4, 1931 in Sulphur Springs as an only child to Clifford and Ethel Froneberger. At the age of 9, with the war in full swing, he moved with his parents to Oklahoma City where his Dad was hired to help build Tinker Airforce Base. After a year in Oklahoma City, his family moved to Orange, Texas where his Dad helped in the shipyard. It was there that Murry learned to be a salesman because he was able to buy bubble gum for a penny from the Airforce Base PX and sell it to other kids for a nickel a piece. Later, in his sales career, he bought some mounted long horns from his Uncle Eules for \$10 each and sold all of them to Stuckey's for \$40 each. Murry always said he sold himself first before selling the product and he never met a stranger. He retired from Liggett and Myers Tobacco in 1993 and started his new career of hanging out at the ball fields watching grandkids play all type of sports.

On August 8, 1952 he married Johnnie Mae Inman which started out as a blind date. Johnnie had just graduated from High School and her parents were on a trip to South Texas to look for another teaching job when they decided to elope. They drove to Oklahoma to get married, not realizing they needed a marriage license first. They drove all the way back to Sulphur Springs procured the proper papers and then were married.

Murry is survived by three sons, David Froneberger and wife Patti of Carrollton, Doug Froneberger and wife Alison of China Springs, and Dan Froneberger and wife Kathy of Sulphur Springs. He is also survived by nine grandchildren, Dee Hoelscher, Jeremy Froneberger, Don Bell, Kelly Shutt, Lisa Williamson, Alex and Michael Froneberger and Colten Froneberger and Lindsey Froneberger, as well as 10 great-grandchildren.

Murry and Johnnie were married for 63 years before Johnnie passed away in 2015. There was never a day that Murry wouldn't make a comment that would bring a smile to your face. He was very proud of his children and grandchildren and never missed an opportunity to brag about them. Now, as his life has moved to Heaven he can start retelling all those same stories. We'll miss his laughter and joy for life.



Ronald "Groovy" Maxwell

Ronald L. "Groovy" Maxwell, age 76 of Winnsboro, passed away on Sunday, January 21st, 2018 in Winnsboro. He was born on September 30th, 1941 in Mansfield, Ohio to George Maxwell and Edna Maxwell. He was retired from many years of heavy haul driving, having last been with Clark transportation based out of Eules, TX. At the time of his death, "Groovy" was the oldest member of the Vietnam Vets/Legacy Vets MC, he served in the United States Marine Corps.

He is survived by, son, Matthew Maxwell and grandson, Aaron Maxwell both of Hideaway Lake, TX; sister, Susan Hershner of Lexington, OH; brother, Richard Maxwell of Lexington, OH; as well as his many brothers in the Vietnam Vets/ Legacy Vets Motorcycle Club.

A memorial celebration will be held on Saturday, February 3rd, 2018 at the family home at 3293 CR 4660, Winnsboro, Texas at 2:00 pm, followed by Military honors.



Roland Zeke Baugh

Funeral services for Roland Zeke Baugh, 69, of Dike, will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, January 26, 2018 at Lake Highlands Baptist Church. Interment will follow at North Hopkins Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, January 25, 2018 at West Oaks Funeral Home. Roland passed away on Saturday, January 20, 2018 at his residence.

Arrangements are under the direction of West Oaks Funeral Home.



Billy Joe Lindley

Billy Joe Lindley, Jr., age 41 of Winnsboro, passed away on Saturday, January 20th, 2018 in Winnsboro. He was born on January 9th, 1977 in Mineola to William Lindley and Zana Lindley.

He was preceded in death by his father, and sister, Sharon "Sissy" Russom.

He is survived by, his mother, Zana Lindley; brothers, Bobby Russom, Gary Russon and wife Amber, Jerry Russon and wife Faye, Gary Lindley, Bobby Lindley and wife Gail, Mickey Lindley and wife Patty and Larry Lindley; sisters, Sandra Byers and husband James, and Liz Allen and husband Larry.

Visitation was held on Tuesday, January 23rd, 2018 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Beaty Funeral Home-Winnsboro 816 W. Broadway Winnsboro, TX 75494. Graveside Service were held on Wednesday, January 24th, 2018 at Smyrna Cemetery, CR 4450 Winsnboro, TX 75494 at 10:00 am, Chaplin Woody Weimer officiating, with Simon Mahoney, Amos Mahoney, Cole Weems, Tom Ivey, Jamie Weems, Preston Vasquez, and Darrell Keen serving as pallbearers.



Gerald Dean Kirkpatrick

Funeral service for Gerald Dean Kirkpatrick, age 80, of Emory, were held 10:00 am Wednesday morning at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church. Visitation was 6:00-8:00 pm at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church on Tuesday evening, Jan. 23rd. Interment followed service in Pilgrim Rest Cemetery #1. Bro. Billy Smith and Bro. Bryan Easley officiated the services. Gerald passed away on Sunday, Jan. 21st at his residence.

Gerald was born July 5, 1937, in Emory, to Ennis Nolan and Lela Morrow Kirkpatrick. He married Donna Asbill on June 22, 1956 in Emory. He worked for Walker McDonald Manufacturing in Greenville for some 40 years, before retiring in 1999. He was a member of Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church.

Survivors include: Wife: Donna Kirkpatrick of Emory; Daughters: Deborah Traylor and husband Randy of Emory, and Sandra Lovvorn and husband Robert of Wills Point; Son: Kenneth Kirkpatrick and wife Tonja of Durant, Oklahoma; Grandchildren: 12; Great-grandchildren: 16; Preceded in death by: Parents; 3 sisters, Velma Lorene Kirkpatrick, Pearl Haney, and Ruth Whitehead; 6 brothers, J.T. Kirkpatrick, Earl Kirkpatrick, Nolan Kirkpatrick, Allen Kirkpatrick, Hubert Kirkpatrick, and James Alton Kirkpatrick
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