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FRIDAY 5/5

David Touchton

& the Nowhere Band @ 9

SATURDAY 5/6

The Georges @ 9

FRIDAY 5/12

Blackbird Sing w/ Halleyanna @ 8:30

SATURDAY 5/13

Abraham Weaver Band @ 9

FRIDAY 5/19

Brian Christopher & the Wild Oats
w/ The Golden Lights @ 8:30

SATURDAY 5/20

Paul Nipper Band @ 9

FRIDAY 5/26

Aaron Stephens Band @ 8:30

SATURDAY 5/27

Ebrolution @ 8:30

PHOENIX SALOON

1ST WORD

HZ Achieves Full Radioactivity

On March 29, 13 NB locals were killed as a young man decided to get behind the wheel of his big ol' truck, while on drugs, and subsequently plow, head on, at full speed, into a church bus full of seniors on their way back from a religious retreat. On April 4, the Houston-owned Herald-Zeitung capitalized on the deaths.

We're not talking about the mother lode of obituaries. There's a long, respected, and fully expected tradition of charging a premium to the grieving for obit space. No, the HZ took marketing synergy to the next level, laying out a half-page with a story memorializing the dead, along with each of their names (plus some other copy). *The other half of the page was occupied by an advertisement for a Houston-based lawyer looking to drum him up some bus-crash business.*

Yes, under the names of deceased New Braunfels First Baptist Church parishioners - Howard Allen, Rhonda Allen, Harold Barber, Margaret Barber, Mildred Rosamond, Addie Schmeltekopf, Sue Tysdal, Dorothy Vulliet, Martha Walker, Avis Banks, Christie Moore, Donna Hawkins, and Murray Barrett, (all of whom died at the scene) and Rose Mary Harris (who died several days after publication) - were these words in bold lettering:

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(Contact Info, Legalese, Sundry Nonsense)

As a matter of fact, yes, lots of us do know someone who just happened to be injured or killed in a church bus accident. It's a small town. What a coincidence that this ad should appear directly below the names of the people many of us know who were recently **"INJURED OR KILLED"** in a church bus accident.

Social media reaction to the ad was swift and brutal:

"Pitiful representation of compassion. Absolutely disgusting." - Gary Roe

"Unreliable source of information. Incompetent and greedy news machine." - Tracy Graves

And that was just what showed up on the HZ's Facebook page before they started blocking people. TXC readers opined *en masse*:

"...the Zeitung demonstrated that it is just as greedy as the sleazy ambulance chaser, Mitchell A. Toup. The proceeds from the half page add should be donated to offset the expenses of the victim's families." - Charlie Motz

"Ambulance chaser makes me as sick as the ones accepting money for their advertising" - Steve Hamm

"Little did herald Zeitung know that they just wrote their own obituary." - Roger K Tuttle

"Wth? How tasteless in the wake of this tragedy." Kelley Jones Rush

"Absolutely disgusting. Can't believe they did that." - Suzi Wiley

"Wow. Despicable." - Karen Hildreth

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!ASK A MEXICAN!

By Gustavo Arellano

Dear Mexican: I've noticed you haven't addressed too many issues dealing with Mexican gangs in your column. Tell me what's up with the Norteños and Sureños and why they hate each other so much. Aren't all you Mexicans after the Reconquista in the first place... how did this split happen, and how does a guy like me stay out of the way in la Mission in Frisco?

Mulatto Man (Who Happens to Look Mexican)

Dear Negrito: Imagine all the power Mexicans would have if we were one unified force? Trump wouldn't be president, for one. And we wouldn't have all these ridiculous gang beefs that leave too many of our young dead, hooked on drugs, or condemned to la vida loca. I'm not going to get into the history of the Norteños and Sureños, because I'm sure you can find some documentary about their history on a NatGeo special, and I don't want one side to think I favor the other side. Besides, the only gang I claim is the Gashouse Gang—look 'em up, eses.

Dear Mexican: You are a racist, my friend. How can you bring up Japanese and Chinese mistreatment and not Irish or Jewish mistreatment? It's because it doesn't fit into your narrative of whitey being the vilest creature on earth. Worrying about language, culture, and assimilation doesn't make you a racist (even though Mexican isn't a race, but I digress). People want to protect the melting pot of American culture. People want people to come here legally and assimilate. Not forget or ignore the ancestors' culture but to embrace American culture. Your race baiting demagoguery is intellectually dishonest and a threat to the American way of life for all colors and ethnicities.

Jeff Sessions is My Boo

Dear Gabacho: Ah, the wonders of the Internet. You no doubt found my columna from some random Google search or Google News or Stormfront or some other fake news outlet, read a couple of back issues, then surmised I hate gabachos for being white. No seas pendejo. Again and again, I've brought up gabacho racism against European immigrants—whether Benjamin Franklin railing against Germans, the British deeming Jews trying to enter Israel when it was still Mandatory Palestine “illegals,” or the entirety of the Dillingham Commission report. I do love gabacho racism

against “white” immigrants, because it's proof that when idiots like you say they only want “legal” immigrants and don't mind people holding on to the traditions of the motherland, it's as much a false flag as saying Rick Bayless is a great Mexican chef. Hate white people? The Mexican LOVES white people! Without them, tequila would've never become a worldwide product, and the Mexican soccer team wouldn't have any other team to get humiliated by. It's gabachos who ruin the United States—and if you can't tell the difference between whites and gabachos, then you don't know your Chris Rock.

Dear Mexican: I'm a gay gabacho who has been in a relationship with a Mexican for seven years. His family knows about us and they love me. They treat me almost like a celeb whenever they come to Dallas and visit or when we go to Mexico. At first, they didn't like me for the simple reason they didn't trust white people. Once they got to know me, that was all over with. His mother is the family matriarch and treats me as if I am one of her own children. So, whenever we get around them or his friends in Mexico, he acts like I am not even there. I actually spend more time with everyone else (between my broken Spanish and their broken English, we communicate rather well). Is his distance from me caused by the fact that I am white, or that we are in a gay relationship? I ask only because his friends and family don't have a problem with it, so this stumps me.

Gaybacho

Dear Gaybacho: I can't answer this question fully as a cishet cabrón, but I can offer this: Mexican families don't take kindly to their kids being grabby-grabby with their significant others in front of them, because no child of any Mexican parents have ever had sex in their lives. Your papi chulo obviously likes you—otherwise, you'd never have met the family in the first place—but he might be taking the commandment I just shared with you a bit too seriously. Check in with him, and see what's up. And if it doesn't work out? Get one of his male relatives. As I've said before in this column, what's the difference between a straight hombre and a gay one? Three beers.



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Due Process

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UPDATE: Justin Carter/ Facebook Terror Case

Justin Carter's legal see-saw through the court system continues as his case is again before the Court of Criminal Appeals.

Carter, who is accused of making a threat via Facebook, appealed a local court's ruling that he could not seek pre-trial habeas relief. Carter argued before Comal District Judge Jack Robison that the very charges against him violate his First Amendment rights as they are applied to him and that the statutes under which he was charged are unconstitutional. Robison disagreed and ruled against Carter.

The New Braunfels man took his pretrial arguments to the Third Court of Appeals, who denied Carter relief. He then moved up to Criminal Appeals, who remanded the case back to the Third Court to reconsider Carter's case in light of a recent ruling involving then Gov. Rick Perry. In the Perry ruling, Criminal Appeals said that certain situations allow for pretrial habeas corpus.

After the case returned, Third Appeals again ruled against Carter, forcing him to take his case back to Criminal Appeals.

"We disagree with the findings of the Appellate court and believe they have overlooked crucial parallels between the Rick Perry opinion and this case," said Carter's appellate attorney Chad Van Brunt. "It is our hope that the Court will recognize the importance and efficiency of providing people charged in clear violation of their First Amendment rights an opportunity to prevent the imposition of a criminal charge altogether."

Since the beginning, Carter has argued that his comments, which described attacking an unnamed kindergarten, were satirical and hyperbolic, and in no way could be considered a "true threat."

"The Third Court of Appeals failed to properly consider the peculiar and extraordinary scenario that this case presents and instead summarily denied Mr. Carter's

appeal by... failing to give equal consideration of the restraint on free speech caused by the imposition of criminal charges against Mr. Carter for exercising that constitutional right," Carter's motion argues.

Carter has maintained that the statute under which he was charged was applied to him in an unconstitutional manner. Twice, the Third Court, agreeing with Robison, has maintained that such "as applied" challenges cannot be argued pretrial because only a full trial could make that determination. Indeed, the Third Court said Carter could simply wait until after the trial to make that claim. The Appellate court accused Carter of bringing an "evidentiary sufficiency challenge under the guise of an 'as applied' constitutional challenge," an argument Carter calls a "false dichotomy" that is not backed by case law.

In the Perry case, Criminal Appeals ruled that pretrial habeas corpus arguments were valid if the "constitutional right at issue in the as-applied challenge is the type that would be effectively undermined if not vindicated prior to trial."

Carter insists that a trial would be unnecessary and an absolute continuation of the violation of his right to free speech.

"It is hard to imagine a better way to prevent the exercise of free speech than charging someone with a crime for exercising the same right," he argues.

Carter, who was charged four years ago, lastly maintains that a trial would be a waste of the court's time.

"Mr. Carter is being prosecuted for his speech, not his conduct," his motion argues. "It is extraordinary that the case has come this far. The statement on its face is so clearly hyperbolic and sarcastic that it would be imprudent to proceed further."

The State, represented by the Comal County District Attorney's Office, has yet to respond to the motion.

Nick Rogers covers crime and courts for the TX Citizen.



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5/12: John Baumann
5/13: Roger Clyne &
The Peacemakers
5/19: Tracy Lawrence
6/3: Tubes N Tunes
on The Guadalupe



Fri 4.28

ADOBE VERDE

Don Riley
6:30pm



Texas Renegade
8pm

**OMA GRUENE'S
OGSG**

SECRET GARTEN
The Kinfolk
6pm

**THE PHOENIX
SALOON**

Bandrev
5pm
Bonnie & the Bootleggers
9pm

POWERPLANT

TBA
7pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**
Billy Dee
9pm



County Line Band
8pm

Faust Brewing Company
Alli Mattice Band
6pm

Gruene Hall
Junior Brown
w/ Bo Porter
8pm

Sat 4.29

ADOBE VERDE

Trace Owen Jr
6:30pm



Reed Brothers
8pm

**OMA GRUENE'S
OGSG**

SECRET GARTEN
Blues of the Night
1pm
The Hot Attacks
6pm

**THE PHOENIX
SALOON**

Texas T & the Shine Runners
9pm

POWERPLANT

TBA
7pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

Rochelle & the Sidewinders
9pm



Paul Nipper Band
9pm

Faust Brewing Company
Spank
6pm

Gruene Hall
Joe Ely Band
w/ Garrett LeBeau
8pm

Sun 4.30

ADOBE VERDE

JJ Garrett Band
6:30pm

**OMA GRUENE'S
OGSG**

SECRET GARTEN
Chris Ruest
2pm

**THE PHOENIX
SALOON**

All Mixed Up
3pm
Lucas Taylor
7pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

Big John Mills
4pm



Guadapalooza 2017
12pm

Tues 5.2



Reed Brothers
8pm



Jam Night
7pm

Wed 5.3



Aaron Stephens
8pm

**THE PHOENIX
SALOON**

Bronson Wisconsin
8:30pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

Manzy Lowry
8pm

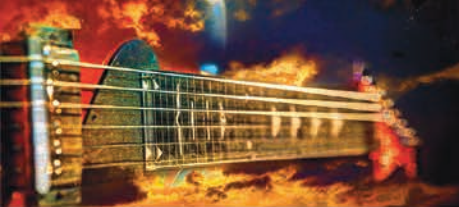
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ADOBE VERDE

Jam Night
6pm

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Jam Night
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@ 6 STRAY DAWG & THE WOLVES
MAY 7 @ 2 BAREFAX BAND
MAY 11 @ 6 JAM NIGHT
MAY 12 @ 6:30 ADAM JOHNSON
MAY 13 @ 1 THE MELISSA LUDWIG BAND
@ 6 CHRIS RUEST
MAY 14 @ 2 SLIM BAWB & THE FABULOUS
STUMP GRINDERS
MAY 18 JAM NIGHT
MAY 19 @ 6 BIG BAD BILLY CAT PROM NIGHT
MAY 20 NBBS ANNIVERSARY PARTY
@ 1 THE MIGHTY ORQ
@ 6 KIM & HER BAD HABITS
MAY 21 @ 2 MICHAEL WAID
MAY 25 @ 6 JAM NIGHT
MAY 26 @ 6:30 THE JAMIE KRUEGER GROUP
MAY 27 @ 1 JAMES PARDO
@ 6 3MAN FRONT
MAY 28 @ 1 CHRIS RUEST
@ 6 MINGLEWOOD

**THE PHOENIX
SALOON**

Garrett Douglas
5pm
Alli Mattice Band
8pm

POWERPLANT

Jade Patek
6pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

TBA
8pm

Gruene Hall
Bo Porter Band
6pm

Vino en Verde
Brett Cline
8pm

Fri 5.5

ADOBE VERDE
Historic Gruene, Texas
Neon Hustle
6:30pm

**OMA GRUENE'S
OGSG
SECRET GARTEN**

Chris Taylor & the Setting Sons
6:30pm

**THE PHOENIX
SALOON**

Junior Nash
5pm
David Touchton & the Nowhere
Band
9pm

POWERPLANT

Booby Duncan
7pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

Big John Mills
9pm



Slim Bawb & the Fabulous
Stumpgrinders
8pm

Gruene Hall
The Band of Heathens
w/ Texas Gentlemen
8pm

Sat 5.6

ADOBE VERDE
Historic Gruene, Texas
Bru Erdman
6:30pm



**OMA GRUENE'S
OGSG
SECRET GARTEN**
Lesti Huff Band
1pm
Stray Dawg & the Wolves
6pm

**THE PHOENIX
SALOON**

The Georges
9pm

POWERPLANT

Hardcover
7pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

John Evans Band
9pm



Jarrod Birmingham
9pm



Garrett Simon
9pm

Gruene Hall
Bill Small Band
1pm
Green River Ordinance
8pm

Krause's Biergarten
Wein & Saengerfest
8pm

Sun 5.7

ADOBE VERDE
Historic Gruene, Texas
Little Duo
6:30pm

**OMA GRUENE'S
OGSG**

SECRET GARTEN
Barefax Band
2pm

**THE PHOENIX
SALOON**

Jeffrey Ryan Vaughn
3pm
Lucas Taylor
7pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

TBA
4pm

Gruene Hall
The Peterson Brothers
12pm

Tue 5.9

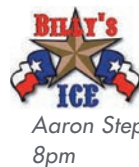


Austin Gilliam
8pm



Jam Night
7pm

Wed 5.10



Aaron Stephens
8pm

**THE PHOENIX
SALOON**

James Pardo
8:30pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

TBA
8pm

Gruene Hall
Tom Gillam
6pm

Thu 5.11

ADOBE VERDE
Historic Gruene, Texas
Bob Cheevers
6:30pm



Bret Coats
8pm

**OMA GRUENE'S
OGSG**

SECRET GARTEN
Jam Night
6pm

**THE PHOENIX
SALOON**

Jay Russell Wimberley
5pm
Shady Rest Band
8pm

POWERPLANT

John Boyd
6pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

TBA
8pm

Gruene Hall
Garrett LeBeau
6pm

Vino en Verde
Brett Cline
8pm

Fri 5.12

ADOBE VERDE
Historic Gruene, Texas
Travelling Trees
6:30pm

**OMA GRUENE'S
OGSG
SECRET GARTEN**
Adam Johnson
6:30pm

**THE PHOENIX
SALOON**

Bandrev
5pm
Blackbird Sing
w/ Halleyanna
8:30pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

Mark Jungers
6pm
Ben Morris & the GBAC
9pm



John Bauman
8pm



TBA
8pm

Gruene Hall
White Denim
w/ Robert Ellis
8pm

Sat 5.13



Right on Red
6:30pm

**OMA GRUENE'S
OGSG
SECRET GARTEN**

Melissa Ludwig Band
1pm
Chris Ruest
6pm



Abraham Weaver Band
9pm

POWERPLANT

Derek Vera
7pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

The Railhouse Band
9pm



Roger Clyne & the Peacemakers
9pm



TBA
9pm

Gruene Hall
Bo Phillips Band 1pm
Denis Quaid & the Sharks
w/ The Peterson Brothers
8pm

Sun 5.14



JJ Garrett Band
6:30pm

**OMA GRUENE'S
OGSG**

SECRET GARTEN
Slim Bawb & the Fabulous
Stumpgrinders
2pm



All Mixed Up
3pm
Lucas Taylor
7pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

TBA
9pm

Gruene Hall
Kiefer Sutherland
7pm

Tractor Supply
Lonestar
2:30pm

Tue 5.16



Jam Night
7pm

Gruene Hall
Josh Grider
6pm

Wed 5.17



Aaron Stephens
8pm



Jade Marie Patek, Bryan Catalani
8:30pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

Mike Ethan Messick
8pm

Gruene Hall
Jonathan Byrd, Johnny Waken,
Corin Raymond
6pm

Thu 5.18



Josh Holden
6:30pm

**OMA GRUENE'S
OGSG**

SECRET GARTEN
Jam Night
6pm



Shawn Hart
5pm
Dancing With Geppetto
8pm

POWERPLANT

John Boyd
6pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

TBA
8pm

Gruene Hall
Dennis Quaid & the Sharks
w/ The Georges
6pm

Vino en Verde
Brett Cline
8pm

Fri 5.19



Buddy Vargas
6:30pm



Dean Seltzer
8pm

**OMA GRUENE'S
OGSG
SECRET GARTEN**

Prom Night
Big Bad Billy Cat
6pm

**THE PHOENIX
SALOON**

Junior Nash
5pm
Brian Christopher & the Wild Oats
w/ The Golden Lights
8:30pm

POWERPLANT

Hardcover
7pm

**Riley's
TAVERN**

Pepper's Blues
6pm
Cody Canada
9pm



Tracy Lawrence
8pm



TBA
8pm

Gruene Hall
Tanya Tucker
8pm

Sat 5.20



No Stone Music Band
6:30pm

**OMA GRUENE'S
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SECRET GARTEN**

The Mighty Orq
1pm
Kim & Her Bad Habits
6pm



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9pm

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2pm



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3pm
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4pm

Gruene Hall
Americana Music Jam
12pm

Tue 5.23



Jam Night
7pm

Gruene Hall
Tres Womack, Matt Mathis, Slim
Bawb
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Wed 5.24



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8pm



Michael Martin
8:30pm

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TAVERN

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9pm

Gruene Hall
The Georges
6pm

Thu 5.25



Bob Cheevers
6:30pm

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6pm



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5pm
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8:30pm

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6pm

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7pm

Fri 5.26



Don Riley
6:30pm



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8pm



SECRET GARTEN
Jamie Krueger Group
6:30pm



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8:30pm

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7pm

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Roy Heinrich
6pm
David Touchton & the Nowhere
Band
9pm



TBA
8pm

Gruene Hall
Midnight River Choir
8pm

Krause's Biergarten
Alex Meixner Band
7pm

Sat 5.27



Bru Erdman
6:30pm

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1pm
3 Man Front
6pm



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8:30pm

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7pm

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Brian Duarte Trio
9pm



TBA
8pm

Gruene Hall
Chris Knight
w/ Kody West
9pm

Krause's Biergarten
Alex Meixner Band
7pm

Sun 5.28



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6pm



All Mixed Up
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The next day, the HZ printed an apology for running the ad. Well, not for running the ad, but for placing the ad where they did. Well, not for placing the ad where they did, but for placing the story on the page that already had the ad on it.

The excuse read, in part, "We couldn't fit the stories on the front page, so, as we often do, we had to continue them in what space we had available to us inside the issue."

Which is odd, because we found four other places of identical size - **IN THAT VERY ISSUE** - where the copy, or the ad, could have fit without adjustment. Granted, in the past this might have been a huge job, but since the late 1980s we newspaper folks have modified layout with a short series of clicks. Dang ol' drag and drop, man. Click click click click click. Ten seconds or less. Trust us on this one, we have experience laying out a paper. Done it lots.

In any case, we might have been inclined to accept their Page Four apology for achieving perfect marketing synergy if they hadn't run

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the exact same ad again on Page 6.

Yeah. That.

In the end, the HZ's Publisher/Editor-in-Chief, Handsome Dave Compton, - *the fifth Publisher/Editor-in-Chief the HZ has had in the five years that we've been running this column* - expects the residents of our fair city to believe that nobody in the entire chain of command at the HZ noticed where that ad was going.

That not a single person in that newsroom stood up and said "This is/isn't a good idea".

That the guy brought in from the

sophisticated environs of Del Rio last November to boost revenue and turn things around at Herald-Zeitung/Shine/Groovin' HQ didn't know about the full-page of perfect marketing synergy being printed on his watch.

Ok.

\m/

Mike Reynolds

Publisher/Editor-in-Chief

Exhibit A: Names of Local Victims of Bus Crash

BARRETT

Continued from page 1

school math teacher in the New Braunfels ISD and after retiring from there worked as a substitute teacher in the Central ISD. He touched many lives here and elsewhere in his 66 years, the family said.

Those touched most are those same family members. "I loved my dad and I know he loved me," Matt said. "I was thankful for the time he was able to make me. There was nothing, he said between us."

Jenn said she and her father had a wonderful relationship when she was young, then it got a bit rocky as she matured but they had gotten close again well before he died. She recalled being the first daughter, daddy's little girl. She and her father were the early birds of the family.

"We would have hot cocoa and coffee at 5 a.m. He would drive up to Austin (where she lived) for breakfast," Jenn said. "I'm happy we got to be closer again before he died."

Cassie remembered a summer when both of her parents were able to take her on an extended trip visiting cities along the East Coast of the United States. "It was six straight weeks of quality time with my parents," she said. "It was awesome."

Russell and his father would have breakfast on Wednesday whenever they could. He said he was going to see them then.

But, as the rest of the family said, he has no regrets about the times spent with Murray. His father lived life to the fullest, giving time and energy where he wanted and where he thought it was most needed.

He was a loving husband, father and friend to many, they said. Of course they will miss their father at weddings or the births of his first grandchildren. Of course they will want to look at old photos with him or ask or give their father advice.

But, Russell said, the family had with Murray a very well spent life.

"Anytime I had a thought, 'This was the way I would do it with my dad,'" Russell said. "I can't think of anything off the top of my head, anything I'd want him back to."

Authorities with knowledge of the crash have provided some details about what might have happened. Reportedly law enforcement officials from two departments received phone calls about a pickup being driven on the highway shortly before the collision.

One man called the dispatch line just after noon Wednesday to report that a white Dodge pickup was swerving on the road. "Uvalde Police Lt. Daniel Rodriguez said Thursday, "The caller was scared (the pickup driver) was going to cause an accident and asked us to send deputies." Rodriguez said "Deputies were dispatched, but before they could reach the area."



Barrett talks about her husband and the life he lived in New Braunfels after a collision near Garner State Park took his life.

the crash called 911 to report the truck had been in an accident. Dispatchers in Uvalde County received a call from a woman who reported a truck being driven on U.S. 83, county Constable Nathan Johnson said. Real County officials called Uvalde County officials to coordinate a response to word deputies. Then, the crash was reported. Rose Mary Harris, 64, of New Braunfels, was the only person on the bus to survive. She was flown by medical helicopter to San Antonio Military Medical Center in critical condition, according to a media statement released Thursday morning. The statement said that Jack Dillon Young, 20, of Leakey, was the driver of the pickup truck. A medical helicopter transported

Bord Barber, 87; Margaret Robinson Barber, 82; Mildred Gooden; Raymond, 87; Addie Maudine Schnelkoyt, 84; Dorothy Fern Voller, 84; and Martha Holcomb Walker, 84, all of New Braunfels. Javis Schell Banks, 85, of Austin; Crotie Clare Moore, 68, of Cibola; and Dana Elizabeth Hawkins, 69, of Schertz.

Rose Mary Harris, 64, of New Braunfels, was the only person on the bus to survive. She was flown by medical helicopter to San Antonio Military Medical Center in critical condition, according to a media statement released Thursday morning. The statement said that Jack Dillon Young, 20, of Leakey, was the driver of the pickup truck. A medical helicopter transported

ed him from the crash scene in stable condition to University Hospital. The morning of the crash, Duane said she was looking for a laptop computer so she called her husband's cell phone to ask about it but the call went straight to voice mail because of spotty reception near the scene. She left a message telling him that she loved him. Moments later while she was in a meeting, Murray left Duane a voice message to which she replied in a text.

"I texted back, 'Thanks, drive safe,'" Duane said. "I'm comforted to know he heard that I said 'I love you' and he got the text 'Drive safe.' It makes me feel better."

Exhibit B: Giant, Expensive Ad from Lawyer Asking if Anyone Knows Somebody Killed in a Bus Crash

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April was, and normally is, a great month. The weather is at its best; warm but not too hot like in the summer when going outside feels as if you're walking on the surface of the sun itself. If you're going to, or work for, a school, you're so close to the finish line in April that you're actually motivated to, you know, "try" (cue the Milhouse scene in the Simpsons when he impersonates sprinklers). And of course, there's Easter, the holiday enjoyed more by children under the age of nine than by anyone else. Let's put the religious aspect of Easter aside and focus purely on the enjoyment of the day itself and the margin between how much fun your kid has between how much fun YOU have isn't even close, especially when compared to the other holidays.

Christmas, Valentine's Day (apologies to all of my single friends out there, but NOT spending money on that day is underrated), Fourth of July and Halloween are pretty much enjoyed equally by everyone of all ages. We all love receiving and giving presents, fireworks, notes from loved ones and dressing up as our favorite super heroes.

But Easter? As parents, it's our job to cram a piece or two of candy into 57 tiny plastic shells while "hiding" them from our kids in plain sight, and then applaud them as if they unearthed an oil well. Even if you want to steal your kids' candy after the "hard work" they spent finding it, it's not worth your time because Easter candy is terrible. Peeps? Cadbury Eggs? Anything chocolate that was sitting in a plastic egg in the sun for 30 minutes? PASS.

Quick ranking of holidays as an adult: 1) Christmas; 2) Halloween; 3) New Year's; 4) Fourth of July; 5) Valentine's Day; 6) Bastille Day; 7) Easter.

On to the month that was in April, in sports with a focus on the San Antonio Spurs...

As I write this month's column, the Spurs are deadlocked at 2-2 in their first round series with the Memphis Grizzlies and I have been hearing *a lot* of groaning from Spurs fans. The gripes include:

"How could they let Memphis back in the series after dominating the first two games?"

"Tony Parker was washed up 4 years ago"

"LaMarcus Aldridge was a waste of money"

"Danny Green should be benched"

"Kawhi needs help"

First (cues inner Aaron Rodgers), RELAX.

The playoffs are supposed to be hard (unless you're Golden State). Memphis, despite winning 18 fewer games than San Antonio did this season, is GOOD. Throughout the season, the Grizzlies typically played up to the level of competition, but lost 39 games because they played "down" far too often as well. They beat San Antonio twice in Memphis (albeit, once with Kawhi Leonard out of the lineup) and have two great players in Mike Conley and Marc Gasol.

The Grizzlies are a chore to play - just ask the Warriors who had to go six games with Memphis in the second round in 2015, a championship season for Golden State. When OKC had both Kevin Durant and Russell Westbrook, they had far more firepower than Memphis but the Grizzlies constantly gave the Thunder troubles in the postseason.

Addressing some of the other gripes... yes, Tony Parker is not who he was 10 years ago when he won the Finals MVP award. Are you mad at him for getting older or are you upset the Spurs didn't cut bait sooner? Most (all I hope) would respond with the latter statement, but keep in mind that when Parker signed his last contract extension in the summer of 2014, he had just led San Antonio's championship team in scoring. He was being rewarded for what he DID, not necessarily for what he was going to do: he earned it. But the miles of 16 seasons (including 1,360 games and nearly 44,000 minutes) have added up. Keep in mind, Parker played in the freaking ALAMODOME his first season in the league.

The time will come when the Spurs will move on from Parker (and it will be soon), but before you blast him or the franchise, keep in mind everything he's done for San Antonio. He may be a step or two slower now but he's still the best option they have

and has actually played well during the series. There are limits to what he can do at this stage of his career, but if he reaches those ceilings, the Spurs will be fine.

Regarding Aldridge and Green, we'll start with Aldridge, and even I will admit that Aldridge has not been the scoring force we thought he'd be after the Spurs signed him to a max contract. Aldridge isn't getting the volume of looks in San Antonio that he did in Portland: with the Blazers he averaged over 22 shots a game his final two postseasons while with the Spurs, he averaged just 17 last year and just 11 so far through four games against Memphis. Some of that is because of Kawhi's awesomeness, but some of it is also a lack of aggressiveness which is what Spurs fans have an issue with, especially considering Aldridge's contract.

But Aldridge has also been a vastly underrated defender this season, something the Spurs desperately needed in the post following Tim Duncan's retirement. Aldridge's offensive game has slipped but he's made up for it on the defensive end, a similar sentiment for Danny Green but to a larger degree.

While Aldridge has gone from a competent to a good defender, Green continues to remain great defensively, one of the league's best at his position. The three-point shooting, Green's only offensive strength, has escaped him in the playoffs, just 24% against Memphis after shooting 38% in the regular season. But for those calling for Green's benching/trading/firing, take note that San Antonio would routinely get roasted defensively without him.

Does Kawhi need help? Sure. This version of the Spurs probably won't be good enough to beat Golden State (I'm not sure the Monstars could), but it's good enough to beat about 28 other teams, including Memphis. If you don't like it, then I guess you could find better things to do, like hiding Easter eggs.

Brant Freeman is a seasoned local sportscaster, delivering the goods as a reporter for major pro and collegiate sporting events in the greater San Antonio area for over a decade.



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RESTAURANT GUIDE

what to eat & where to eat it



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There are other places to get your hands on a chili dog, but the Phoenix Saloon invented chili as we know it (Google it!). So, really, there's only one place to get a chili dog, if you're going to be serious about it. 193 West San Antonio St (Downtown) – 830.643.1400

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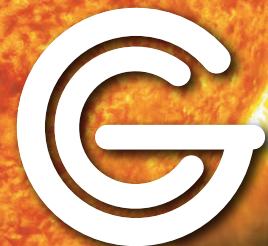
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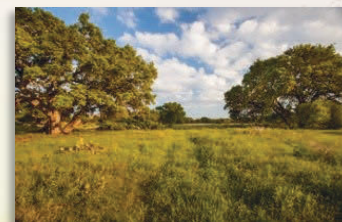
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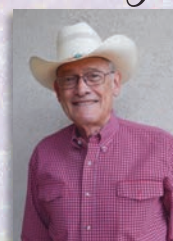
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With Tony Compton & Bell Burck-Rainey

Local Newspaper Errs

The New Braunfels Herald-Zeitung created a stir recently when it ran a story about the local Jewish community next to an advertisement for Storm Front.

The story, "Hooray for Jews," was run atop the ad for the Neo-Nazi organization, which calls for the elimination of the Jewish race, as well as other racial minorities.

"Hooray for Jews" was ostensibly meant to praise how the Jewish community adds to New Braunfels' diversity.

"Whoopie and hooray!" the story reads. "The Jews are in town and are making their presence felt in their own quiet, little Jewish way."

The story then lists a number of famous Jews, which include Albert Einstein, Mori Amsterdam, Barbara Streisand and, wrongly, Snoop Dogg.

The ad for Storm Front sported cartoon characters such as "Schutzstaffel Bunny" and "My Little Blitzkrieg Pony." The hate group offered a coupon for \$100 off for a children's summer camp. The first 200 that respond to the ad would be given a "My Pal, Adolf" coloring book.

After a massive public outcry, the almost daily newspaper was forced to run an apology, which reads:

"We are soooo, soooo sorry. We at the News Braunfels Herald-Zeitung certainly had no intention to offend anyone. We are sensitive to all cultures within our community, and would like to point out that the fault lies elsewhere and not with our Houston overlords. We promise to ensure that such incidents never, ever happen again. Our bad."

The apology ran next to another Storm Front ad.

Police Calls

Statistics from the New Braunfels Police Department show that while most emergency police calls deal with actual emergencies,

many other calls fall far outside that category.

The largest of non-emergency calls, 3,643, were of the "My Neighbor is an Big Jerk" category. This was followed by 2,072 calls for "Demon Possession."

Other non-emergency call categories were:

Mayor Barron Casteel falling over or into something (1,230).

Internet not working (873).

UFOs (622).

No, I'm not kidding! There is a UFO! (622).

Illegal Immigrants have done stole my job (601).

Pizza order (597).

Pizza order is wrong (449).

Where are my wings? (312).

It's been 45 minutes and pizza and wings are still not here (132).

Terrorists next door (24).

Golf Course Repairs

The Landa Park Golf Course will be closed during three crucial summer months for repairs after Mayor Casteel fell and damaged at least three fairways, two tee boxes and a sand trap. The Mayor also leveled an entire green.

Witnesses say the Mayor tripped over a golf cart before bumping his head into a power line, causing him to fall over backwards, thus damaging a significant portion of the course.

"By the time we arrived at the course, the squirrels had already descended on the Mayor," said one emergency responder. "It wasn't pretty."

The acrimonious feud between Mayor Casteel and area squirrels has a long history and shows no signs of abating.

This was the second time in three months that emergency personnel were called to respond to a Mayoral incident. In February, Casteel got his head stuck inside a water tower.

Tony Compton & Bell Burck-Rainey make things up for the TX Citizen.

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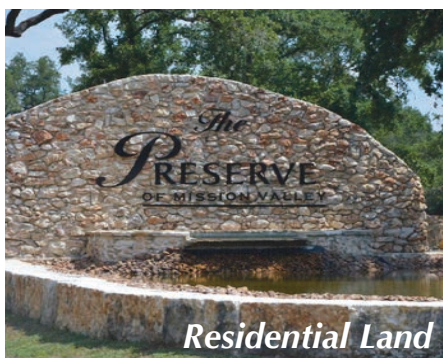


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