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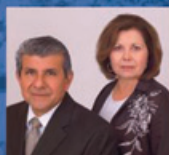
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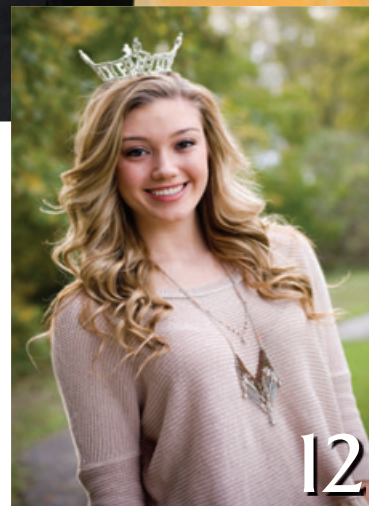
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Editor's Note

Such sweet sorrow!

Another year is put to rest as the days become suitably shorter, and we layer up for winter in Texas. If you have been here long, you know that can mean anything from temps in the mid-70s to a snow-covered Christmas. As is the norm, I feel reflective, with a sense of melancholy toward the time to which I say goodbye. Yet I am hopeful, knowing there are memories to be made in the coming year. I'll shed a tear, thinking of loved ones lost and of those facing

hardship, but my heart will warm looking back on joys 2013 brought for friends and family.

May you be able to let go of the sadness or heartache this year held and rejoice in the simple pleasures I hope you were blessed enough to receive.

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TWENTY SECO COURA

— By Callie Revell



Brian Caudell has found his niche in theater and acting, and he loves sharing it with others. "The biggest passion I have is theater," he said. "It's what I've done year after year."

Brian has lived in the Red Oak area for 11 years and graduated from Ferris High School three years ago. During the day, Brian can be found remodeling homes, but most of his free time is spent working with Waxahachie Community Theatre participating in plays and musical productions for Ellis County.

At age 14, Brian began acting through an individual program before beginning

to work with his personal acting coach, Darla Bicknell. His first push into the world of theater came from his parents. "My parents have always told me I'm dramatic. One day, they said, 'Go try this,' and I did and loved it. I couldn't get away from it," Brian confessed.

As Brian begins his fourth year working with WCT, he looks forward to becoming even more involved with the productions. "I help with any show I can. When I'm not on stage, I end up doing a lot of the tech work and stuff like that," he explained. "It's been a lot of fun."

Brian recently finished a run as the male lead in the production of the famous Broadway musical, *Guys and Dolls*. "My favorite role, so far, has been Sky Masterson, and it has probably been my

most challenging," Brian explained. "It's the one that stretched me the most." However, Brian is not just an actor or singer. He has also directed a show, served as an assistant director for several shows and does technical work for almost every production. "The way I was taught growing up with this whole acting thing is if you don't know every part of drama, you're not an actor," Brian said. "I thoroughly love every part of it."

The adrenaline rush of being on stage is one of Brian's favorite parts of acting. The wonderful feeling of making someone laugh is another special part of acting for him. "Hearing laughter is beyond compare to anything you could ever ask for," he said. He compares the feeling he gets when he hears laughter

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to the rush of being at the summit of a roller coaster when you begin to descend. For Brian, the ability to bring joy to others is what makes all his hard work worthwhile.

According to Brian, community theater is important to the actors and the audience alike. "First and foremost, for the actors, it is our escape from our life outside. It gives us something to do. It keeps us busy," he said. "But the second part is the escape it gives the audience. A lot of frustrations take place during the day. I can't speak for everybody, but in my mind, one of the most influential things that can happen in your life is the ability to take a breather and just laugh, cry or pay attention to something else, and put your focus off of the daily routine. I think that's how theater benefits the community."

Brian seeks to inspire not only audience members who see him act but other actors as well. "I'm also a personal acting coach and vocal trainer. I've seen a lot of people come and go who think they're just not good enough," Brian said. "It's not about how good you really are at the beginning. I mean, it matters more as you progressively get into it, but when you're first starting, no one expects you to be perfect." Brian understands many people fear speaking in front of crowds and insists working with a theater group promotes personal confidence in all aspects of life — from a professional interaction with a boss to a personal conversation with a friend. Brian believes in the positive effects of theater, and that it is a cause which should be supported.

There are many ways citizens in Ellis County and the surrounding areas can support community theater. "Come see a show," Brian said. Ticket sales are important for the theater to have a budget to continue putting on productions. Each of their major shows see several hundred in attendance, but Brian hopes ticket sales and show attendance will continue to grow in the coming years. "The most important thing is to come see the show," he explained, "because we don't really have a show without an audience."

The 2013 season, so far, has included the play *Taffeta Memories*, the musical *Guys and Dolls*, the children's showcase show *The Mysterious Case of the Missing Ring* and




Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella*. The Christmas show will be *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*.

Another way the community can support its actors is by recognizing their effort and hard work. "One thing that sticks out in my mind is when I would walk through Wal-Mart and people would stop me and say, 'I saw you in that show. Can I have your autograph?'" Just letting us know, as actors, that you recognize us and you see us —that gives us the courage to get into another show," Brian admitted.

Theater brings culture and creativity to a community in a way that many activities aren't able to do. WCT has been putting on productions for 34 years and, with the support of the community, will continue to do so. Brian encourages aspiring actors and singers to take a risk and believe in themselves. He also emphasizes the importance of personal courage. "There's one line that comes to mind, from the movie *We Bought a Zoo*," Brian said. "It's stuck with me ever since it came out." The quote from the 2011 movie directed by Cameron Crowe and starring Matt Damon is: "Sometimes all you need is 20 seconds of insane courage. Just literally 20 seconds of just embarrassing bravery. And I promise you, something great will come of it."


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Crowning GLORY

By Angel Morris

For someone who doesn't consider herself a pageant girl, Haley Johnston has done well in competitions for the crown. In fact, the reigning Miss Twin Rivers Outstanding Teen won the first pageant she ever entered, at age 4. "It was Little Miss Ellis County, and the biggest thing to me was that I got a crown and banner," Haley admitted. Starring in the Heritage Days parade and the title Most Photogenic were other perks of that pageant. And while it played a minor role in Haley's life through the years, pageantry has provided substantial learning experiences.

"Beauty is really such a minor part of pageants. On a 100-percent judging scale, it can be as little as 10 percent," Haley explained. "I've discovered pageants are really looking at who you are overall — your poise, personality, platform. And they're as much about teaching the contestants to succeed as anything else."

After the first pageant, Haley's mom, Stephanie, decided to enter her daughter in All Star Kids, a national pageant that consisted of a weekend of kid-friendly activities. "There was an interview and talent competition, but it was really about the kids just having fun."

Up against 53 contestants in her

division, Haley won the overall title and \$2,500 in what was only her second pageant. "I've always been outgoing and ready to try anything, so I just went to experience it," Haley said.

After competing in various pageants, Haley decided to be a Lone Star Princess for the Miss America organization, a group that promotes self-confidence, not competition. "The group mentors younger contestants and introduces them to what they can expect if they want to compete in Miss America pageants. It helps girls see what the system is all about," Haley said.

After doing this for three years, Haley



decided she would like to push further in the system and set out to win a pageant that would allow her to vie for a Miss Texas Outstanding Teen title. "You have to win a local pageant, so I competed in Texarkana for the Miss Texas Outstanding Teen Twin Rivers crown ... and I won!" she said.

Earning that crown allowed Haley to compete this summer for the Miss Texas Outstanding Teen title. From January to July this year, Haley's world revolved around the preparation, and in July, she and her fellow contestants were sequestered in a hotel in Allen, Texas. "I didn't know any of the girls, but being

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together eight days in a hotel with no phone or computer really made us all focus on our activities and rehearsals. I made wonderful friendships," Haley said.

With multiple categories including private interview, lifestyle/fitness, talent and evening gown, Haley competed all week. She earned \$600 in scholarship money by winning the Alpha (first-year) and overall fitness in her group, and placed Top 20 in the pageant. "I really wanted that fitness award. I worked out constantly!" she stated.

Haley also felt strongly about her platform — helping those less fortunate. "It's something you can do in so many different ways, at any age. I'd volunteered for North Ellis County Outreach and saw the difference they make," she said.

Breast cancer research is another issue Haley considered championing. "My mom survived breast cancer and taught me to treasure every day. It is obviously such an important cause, but I thought it would be too emotional for me to talk about it effectively," Haley said.

Turning 18 in September, Haley grew up in Red Oak and attended local schools since kindergarten. She graduates in 2014 in the top 8 percent of her class. Her dedication to schoolwork stems from Stephanie, a retired school teacher, and Walt, a very hardworking dad.

"He always stresses that no matter what I am doing, to do it the best that I can — to reach for your highest potential in everything," Haley explained.

As a result, Haley first showed

determination by enrolling in ice skating classes at age 6 and joining ISI Skating Institute, which quickly consumed her weekends. She competed for years, ultimately winning a World ISI Ice Skating competition when she was just 12 years old and taking second place in her division.

"I loved ice skating, but it got to the point where it was either continue ice skating or choose to have a social life and other hobbies. I quit ice skating in seventh grade, because I had started noticing the cheerleaders in middle school and decided I wanted to give that a try," Haley said.



Haley trained in tumbling with a National Cheerleading Association coach before trying out for the eighth-grade team. Then, as a freshman, she made team captain. "It was challenging transitioning from elegant, smooth skating moves to sharp, firm cheer motions," Haley stated.

In her last year as a varsity cheerleader, Haley believes she made the best choice by leaving skating to cheer. Today, some of her other hobbies include: traveling, fishing and hunting with her dad, watching football and shopping. She has also enjoyed her sporadic but successful pageant career, and looks forward to fulfilling her Miss Twin Rivers Outstanding Teen obligations through January 2014.

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to making many appearances, I have learned a lot about being confident and following my dreams," she said. "I was afraid to enter the Miss Twin Rivers pageant, at first, and I didn't go in with any expectations. So, winning was a surprise. Then to place in the top 20 of Miss Texas Outstanding Teen just proved I can do what I set my mind to!"



Haley appreciates the support of her Texarkana pageant directors, Mike and Donna Berry; Cody Buck, her Dallas manager; and her sponsors, Dr. Stephen Trammell, Dr. Shelly Clark and Vendere Partners, as well as her friends and family. She has made a lasting friendship with Breshell Hurley, who took the Miss Twin Rivers crown when Haley earned the Teen Twin Rivers title.

Ultimately, her limited pageant experience has taught Haley more than she ever expected. "Through it all, I've discovered not to worry what other people think. There are people who consider pageants all about the glamour, but that's only a small part," Haley said. "I've gained speaking skills and become more comfortable in front of strangers. More importantly, I've made lasting connections and friendships." **NOW**

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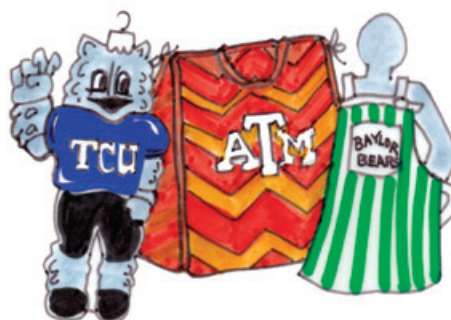


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Keeping the Lights On

— By Sydni Thomas

Santa Claus takes a bath every year in the front yard of Darrell and Sharon Jungman's home, while he waits for his clothes to dry on their flagpole. The Jungmans have been decorating their Ovilla home for the last 25 years and have become a popular stop on Christmas light tours.

Some years, they bring in a sense of humor, and others they keep it classic with the lighted nativity Darrell's mother, Margaret Jungman, gave them. The couple divides up the Christmas decorating responsibilities, with Darrell taking the lead on the outside and Sharon managing inside the house. Darrell uses his carpentry skills to create unique pieces for their yard and strings all of the lights on the house. Sharon's attention to detail and interior decorating skills leave no room untouched by the Christmas spirit. Even a chilly evening can't stop the warmth of holiday cheer coming from the two-story home with banisters





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wrapped in garland and red bows, trees in almost every room and stockings hanging over the fireplace.

"We love Christmas," Sharon said. "When our children, Jennifer and Michael, were little, we started the tradition of decorating the outside of the house. Over the years, we accumulated more and more decorations. Darrell likes to joke with our son-in-law, Paul, that someday all these decorations will be theirs."

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out, they were insistent that they continue the tradition. After that, they knew the show must go on.

"I had mentioned not decorating to a group of people at one of our garage sales," Sharon said. "One lady told me we couldn't stop, because she brings her grandchildren by every year to see

it. A man we had never met stopped at our garage sale last year to give us \$20, just because he enjoyed coming by and looking every year and wanted to contribute toward our electric bill."

With a decorated yard and house, the Jungmans always find a way to host a few Christmas parties for family, friends,



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co-workers and neighbors. Even when it isn't Christmastime, Darrell and Sharon are known for throwing a good bash when called upon. They even hosted their daughter's wedding reception in their backyard. The backyard is full of amenities for party hosting, from the pond with a waterfall to the covered patio that holds an outdoor cooking kitchen and seating area. "We have hosted a couple of surprise parties out here," Sharon admitted. "And there were lots of people at our daughter's wedding reception. Lucky for us we have nice neighbors who don't mind people parking on their property."

Darrell and Sharon came to Ovilla from Arlington. They had lived five houses down the street from each other but did not know it until they met at their part-time jobs in high school at Rangers Ballpark in Arlington. Sharon sold gifts and souvenirs, and Darrell worked on the ground crew. He didn't believe she lived on the same street until he did some investigating, and they have been together ever since. Both wanted a house in the country and chose Ovilla. "Twenty-five years ago this was still the country," Darrell said. "It's grown up around us."

When Jennifer was a child, Darrell built her a dollhouse. Strangely enough, the house he designed for the family looked just like the dollhouse. The home was a labor of love, and Darrell served as the general contractor. Both he and Sharon had full-time jobs and the children to look after. Once they were off work for the day, the family would drive out to the property and work. The workshop was completed first and served as a dinner area while construction was going on. After several hours of work, the family would load up and drive back to Arlington for the night. "All of this

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was Darrell's idea," Sharon said. "He is a great carpenter and can see how to build things in his mind without ever putting pen to paper. My father was an engineer and never understood how Darrell was able to do these things without drawing them out first."

Many of the custom details in the home were Darrell's ideas, including the cut out, paneled ceiling in the kitchen. Darrell's carpentry skills are evident throughout the house. The game room houses the custom pool table he built. It's the centerpiece in the room amongst the vintage Coca-Cola collection Sharon has accumulated over the years. At Christmas, she puts up a special tree in this room with vintage ornaments. Darrell found a jukebox and an old gas pump to add to the room's vintage vibe. "Darrell brought this gas pump home one day," Sharon said. "It was in bad condition, and I had no idea how he was going to get it refinished, but he did."

Vintage pieces like the ones in the game room are scattered throughout the home. Most of them have a story or significance to a time in Sharon's and Darrell's lives. There is another jukebox downstairs, giving the couple two jukeboxes, each built in the year they were born. The bar area off the living room has an old Multimixer milkshake machine just like one Darrell used in his father's drive-in. "I worked at the Dairy Mart for my dad when I was young," Darrell explained. "When they closed down, we kept some of the old soda fountain equipment, and added it to the bar."

The home is full of stories. Each year, when it is time to pull out the decorations for the Christmas season, they recall tales of how all the decorations were made, purchased or inherited. Realizing the level of cheer their house brings to the neighborhood, Darrell and Sharon decided to keep decorating for the foreseeable future. With one granddaughter, Charlotte, already here and another grandbaby on the way, they want to keep the tradition alive for them, too.

"The saddest part is when we have to take everything down and pack it away," Sharon confessed. "The house looks so empty. It's a good thing Darrell included a lot of storage spaces when he designed and built this house." **NOW**



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Baylor Medical Center expands to meet the growing needs of Ellis County.

— *By Angel Morris*

This spring, Baylor Health Care System broke ground on the 299,000-square-foot Baylor Medical Center at Waxahachie, on 52 acres at the intersection of I-35E and Highway 287, as leaders recognized rapid growth in the area and a need for expanded patient services. The new hospital is being built according to Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design standards, allowing Baylor to be even better stewards of the environment. It is initially designed to accommodate 129 beds upon opening in November 2014, with plans for future expansion.

“We want the new space to be flexible and efficient, so we can continue to use it effectively for many years,” said Jay Fox, president of Baylor Medical Center at Waxahachie.

Baylor Medical Center at Waxahachie dates back to 1914, with the

opening of Waxahachie Sanitarium. In 1965, it was renamed W.C. Tenery Hospital, and for another 18 years it was an independent entity, until joining Baylor Health Care System in 1983.

Last year, more than 39,000 patients were seen in its emergency department. In 2009, it became the first hospital in Baylor Health Care System to use robotic telemedicine to provide advanced pulmonary and critical care services. With that innovative spirit toward advances in medicine, the new campus will house Baylor Charles A. Sammons Cancer Center, allowing patients to receive cancer treatment close to home. Additionally, the increased space will accommodate Women’s Services, including Labor and Delivery.

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“This reporting agency for consumers is one of the most trusted rating organizations. To top their list is a tribute to our staff’s dedication,” Jay said. “Hopefully this gives patients confidence that when they come to Baylor Waxahachie, they are at a facility striving to provide the highest level care anywhere.”

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What’s more, Thomson Reuters ranked Baylor Waxahachie among 100 top U.S. hospitals in overall organizational performance in 2011 and 2012. The study evaluates performance in 10 areas: mortality, medical complications, patient safety, average patient stay, expenses, profitability, patient satisfaction, adherence to clinical standards of care, post-discharge mortality and readmission rates for acute myocardial infarction (heart attack), heart failure and pneumonia.

Baylor Waxahachie continually supports the community by providing supplies for immunization clinics, offering free screenings and education at community health fairs and supporting Hope Clinic with supplies and volunteer medical staff. Nurses of the future are trained through Baylor’s nursing education program, and more than 1,000 nursing students have trained there over the past four years. Embarking on its second century of service, Baylor Waxahachie looks to continue its role in the community, which has included providing more than \$100 million in community benefit.

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6:00 p.m., at the home of Bob and Freda Brand, 2509 Lake Ridge Rd., Glenn Heights. Public invited, children welcome. Over 40 years of experience created the two layered, mountainous layout.

December 14

Santa at the Ranch for Families with Special Needs: 2:00-4:00 p.m., Paws for Reflection Ranch, 5431 Montgomery Road, Midlothian. Call (972) 775-8966

December 16

Book Club: 7:00-8:30 p.m., Red Oak Library, 200 Lakeview Pkwy. *House of Earth* by Woody Guthrie is this month's selection. Email sandyg@aircanopy.net.

December 21

Breakfast with Santa: 7:00-11:00 a.m., Red Oak Lions Club, 207 W. Red Oak Rd. Free event hosted by local Lions. Visit www.redoaklionsclub.com for more details.

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In The Kitchen With Nick Harris

— By Angel Morris

Nick Harris' mom, Mabel, was a mixture of Minnie Pearl, Erma Bombeck and Betty Crocker, who taught him to love life, laughter and cooking. "Growing up in West Tennessee, I worked in our family restaurant, specializing in Memphis-style pork barbecue," Nick recalled, "and I have enjoyed food preparation my whole life."

As a pastor for nearly 50 years, Nick had too little time in the kitchen. Now he has time to pursue his passion — especially baking desserts, including his famous chocolate gravy made annually for the Ovilla Christian School Boo Fair. "I have 10 grandchildren, and they expect sweets when they visit Mimi and Papa. My wife is a great cook, too, but she has relinquished the kitchen to me now that I am retired!" **NOW**

Chocolate Gravy

- 1 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup flour
- 1 Tbsp. cocoa
- 2 cups whole milk
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 stick butter

1. Whisk together dry ingredients. Add milk and stir together.
2. Cook over medium heat, stirring continually.
3. After thickened, add vanilla and butter. Adjust thickness by adding more milk, if desired.
4. Serve over hot biscuits.

Strawberry Float Cake

- 1 box yellow cake mix, cooked in round pans and cooled completely
- 12 oz. Cool Whip
- 1 tub frozen sweetened strawberries, thawed
- 1 12-oz. can evaporated milk

- 1 can water
- 1 3-oz. box strawberry Jell-O

1. Place cakes in lid of cake carrier or in a large bowl.
2. Spread Cool Whip between layers and on top.
3. Mix strawberries, evaporated milk, water and Jell-O until well-blended.
4. Pour over cakes; they should float.
5. Keep refrigerated before serving.

Pork Sliders

- 1 4-lb. shoulder pork roast
- 24 small dinner rolls

Spice Rub:

- 1 Tbsp. paprika
- 1 Tbsp. garlic powder
- 1 Tbsp. packed dark brown sugar
- 1 Tbsp. dry mustard
- 1 Tbsp. onion powder
- 1 Tbsp. dried thyme
- 1 Tbsp. dried oregano
- Salt and pepper, to taste

- 1/2 tsp. cayenne pepper

Sauce Mix:

- 2 onions, chopped
- 1 green bell pepper, seeded and chopped
- 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar
- 1/4 cup cider vinegar
- 1 6-oz. can tomato paste
- 1 1/2 Tbsp. chili powder
- 1 tsp. dried mustard
- 3 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tsp. salt

Pickled Onion:

- 1 Tbsp. sugar
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1/2 cup white vinegar
- 1 red onion, thinly sliced

1. Remove skin and excess fat from pork.
2. *For spice rub:* Combine all spice rub ingredients and rub over meat. Place pork on a large plate, cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate 8 hours or overnight.
3. *For sauce:* Combine all sauce ingredients in slow cooker, place pork on top and cook on high for 5 1/2 hours, until meat is tender and can be shredded easily with a fork.
4. *For pickled onion:* Stir sugar and salt into vinegar until dissolved; stir in onion. Cover and refrigerate for 2 to 3 hours, stirring occasionally.
5. Remove pork from slow cooker. Remove 2 cups of sauce. Shred meat. Stir pork back into slow cooker, cover and cook for 15 minutes.
6. Split rolls, top with meat and pickled onion; serve with reserved sauce on the side.

Harris' Hully-gully

- 1 lb. lean ground beef, cooked, crumbled, drained and rinsed
- 1 pkg. taco seasoning
- 1 can Ro-Tel with diced tomatoes and green chilies
- 1 can refried beans
- 1 bag Fritos corn chips
- Cheese, shredded, to taste
- Lettuce, to taste
- Tomatoes, diced, to taste
- Sour cream, to taste
- Ranch dressing, to taste
- Onions, diced, to taste

1. Mix the ground beef, taco seasoning, Ro-Tel and refried beans; cook over medium heat.
2. Layer, alternately, with remaining ingredients.



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