

APRIL 2024

From our graduates:

David Dibb: "Great collections of stories and updates. Especially liked Howard's story on the gold coins."

Betty Tusa (wife of **Vince Tusa**): "We are doing fine— Vince is still practicing his medicine; he calls it part time— I would not call it part time, but he is happy and that makes it ok! Thanks for your hard work keeping class informed!!"

Bev Murphy Wells: "Saying goodbye to another classmate is always sad; sounds like Roger (Felt) had an enriching and happy life, my sympathy to his family."

Bonnie Burson: "Wanted to tell everyone about Eclipseboro...I will be 1 of 8 artists at the Eclipse Boro Landing....formerly the outlet mall.... during the celebrations there.. April 4-8...Bonnie Burson...look at FB...Eclipseboro."

[2024 Eclipse in Hillsboro Texas - Explore Hillsboro Texas](#)

or

[Eclipseboro in Hillsboro, TX | Total Eclipse of the Heart of Texas | 2024 Eclipse Destination](#)

Bev Murphy Wells: "Really enjoyed the article about Sgt Reckless by Susan Harkness Hill, and Howard's story about the gold bullion; lots of research produced a favorable outcome.

Praying for those who have been having health issues and will continue to pray. Hoping for the best outcome for all. Really enjoy all the signs at the end of each publication. Some are so true and enlightening! Happy Birthday to all the March birthday-er's! Enjoy the eclipse one and all!"

Clara Sue Griffis Arnsdorff: I certainly wish Linda well---she's had a long battle. Please keep me up to date on her progress.

My husband was finally released from the hospital---been a long tough winter here---he was in rehab for a broken hip ad came home, only to realize h had contacted ecoli---two more weeks of recovery in the hospital---finally home and much improved---we are ready to get back to normal.

I miss all the beautiful bluebonnets in TX--I see pictures of them on FBook and get homesick....

Take care--sounds as if Waco will have lots of visitors for the total eclipse. Clara Sue Griffis Arnsdorff---Bellevue NE

UPDATES:

Nena Hunt Wallace- Nena is walking pretty good now, very little pain. Her arm is slowly healing.

Linda Phelps McKee: Linda had surgery Friday morning, March 29, to put in a permanent dialysis port, then dialysis that afternoon. Saturday, March 30, she was to be transferred to Encompass Rehab where she can also have dialysis 3 times a week. However, she is experiencing some issues with the port so that transfer may be delayed. After Linda is able to go home, she will continue dialysis at the dialysis center 3 times a week. The antibiotics for her pneumonia were stopped on March 27. Her sepsis is gone. Linda just needs to gain strength at this point to be able to do a few things for herself. Currently, her eyes are out of focus- no one knows why- she needs to see her eye doctor for that issue. Linda has been in the hospital since March 6, so she is ready for a change. She is not happy about all these changed events in her life but accepts that God is not finished with her, and she will continue the fight. She thanks everyone for their prayers. We need to continue our prayers for Linda to regain her strength and cope with all these new issues in her life.

Gwen Ewing Hodges: "I am doing well for the condition I am in and it is true! I have the best Oncologist you could find, and she has found a new drug that was created for the cancer I have and is showing promise with the people who have had it. I am having a special type of Biopsy on Tuesday. I appreciate prayers and they are working. I am very Blessed! Love to all - Gwen."

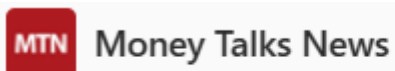
Things We Did When We were Young that We Regret Now*by Jane Andrews*

neglecting health
 skipping sunscreen
 not traveling
 not saving money
 ignoring our parents' advice
 being too afraid to take risks.
 caring too much what others think
 not learning another language
 not maintaining friendships
 smoking
 ignoring dental health

not pursuing a passion
 choosing the wrong career path
 not learning to cook
 not expressing love
 taking life too seriously
 avoiding mistakes
 not investing in the stock market
 not keeping a journal
 neglecting mental health

**1 Howard Dudgeon Trivia:**

“When I worked for Baylor, I was responsible for Baylor’s property and liability insurance. Baylor received a painting by an artist named **Antoni Clave**. The painting was valued for gift purposes at \$25,000. It was a monstrosity. No one would allow the painting to be hung in their office area, so it ended up in my office. No one believed it was worth anything. One Saturday morning I was at my parents’ home. I was looking at my mother’s Antiques Magazine and saw an ad for Grossman’s Gallery in New York. The ad listed artists that Grossman’s was interested in buying. Antoni Clave was one of the artists. The next week I called and talked to Mr. Grossman. He asked that I send negatives of the painting. I did and about a week later called and offered \$75,000 for the painting. I talked to Sotheby’s about the offer, and they said to take the offer. Baylor sold the painting. You can go on the internet and see some of Antoni Clave’s paintings. He was a protege of Picasso.”

**THINGS WE BUY BUT HARDLY EVER USE:**

Online subscriptions
 Extended Warranties
 Filing cabinet

Expensive home exercise equipment
 Silly baby care stuff
 Cookbooks

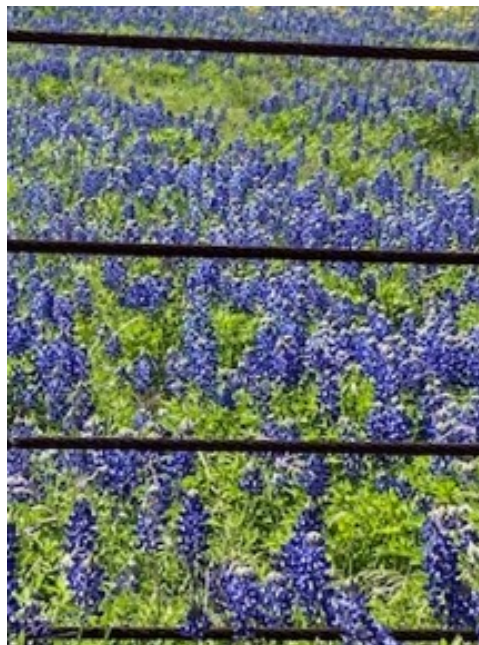
Gym memberships
Planners and journals
Single use appliances
Travel accessories.

Souvenirs
Over the top camping equipment
Specialized sports equipment
Frivolous pet purchases

APRIL BIRTHDAYS:

1. Edgar Gatlin
- 6- Pam Wilson McCanish,
Nancy Guggolz Rogers
- 17- Anne Parke Markham

Some Bluebonnets and wildflowers around Fredericksburg, Texas. My sister was in that area this past week and sent me these pictures. I thought you might enjoy- especially those of you who have moved to different states but remember our beautiful blue flowers that are so abundant this time of year.





HUMOR:

I REMEMBER BEING
ABLE TO GET UP
WITHOUT MAKING
SOUND EFFECTS...

GOOD TIMES.

DOYORREMEMBER



If you know the Relationship
between these Two Objects,
You are Old and at Risk.
Stay at Home.

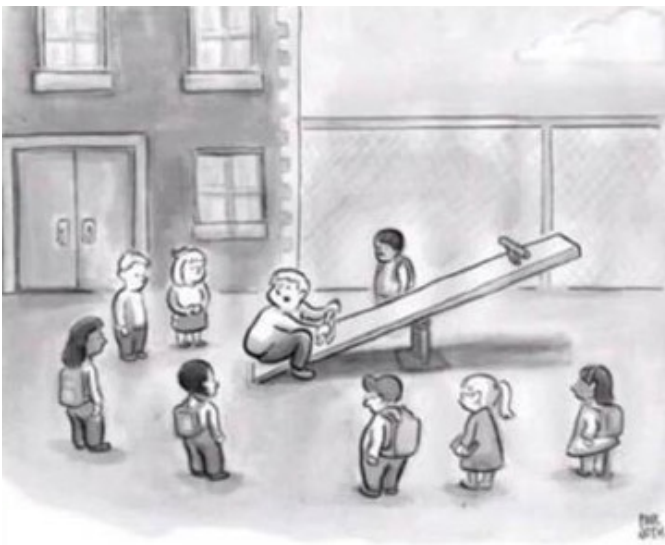
Backside of mom's gravestone.
Everytime someone asked for her cookie
recipe, she said, "Over my dead body!"



Mom's Christmas Cookies

Cream 1 cup sugar
1/2 cup oil
Add: 2 beaten eggs
1 tsp. vanilla
Add: 3 cups flour
2 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. salt
Add alternately with 1 cup cream.
Call and roll out with flour.
Bake 300 degree oven, and frost.

At my last colonoscopy I had the doctor write a note to my wife stating that my head was NOT up there...



"O.K., now, when a teacher comes out, everybody look straight up."



**"I can't see any sense in this!
We passed about 10 fish markets
on the way here."**

**MY WIFE JUST STOPPED
AND SAID,
“YOU WEREN’T EVEN
LISTENING WERE YOU?”**

**I THOUGHT...
“THAT’S PRETTY WEIRD WAY
TO START A CONVERSATION.”**

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