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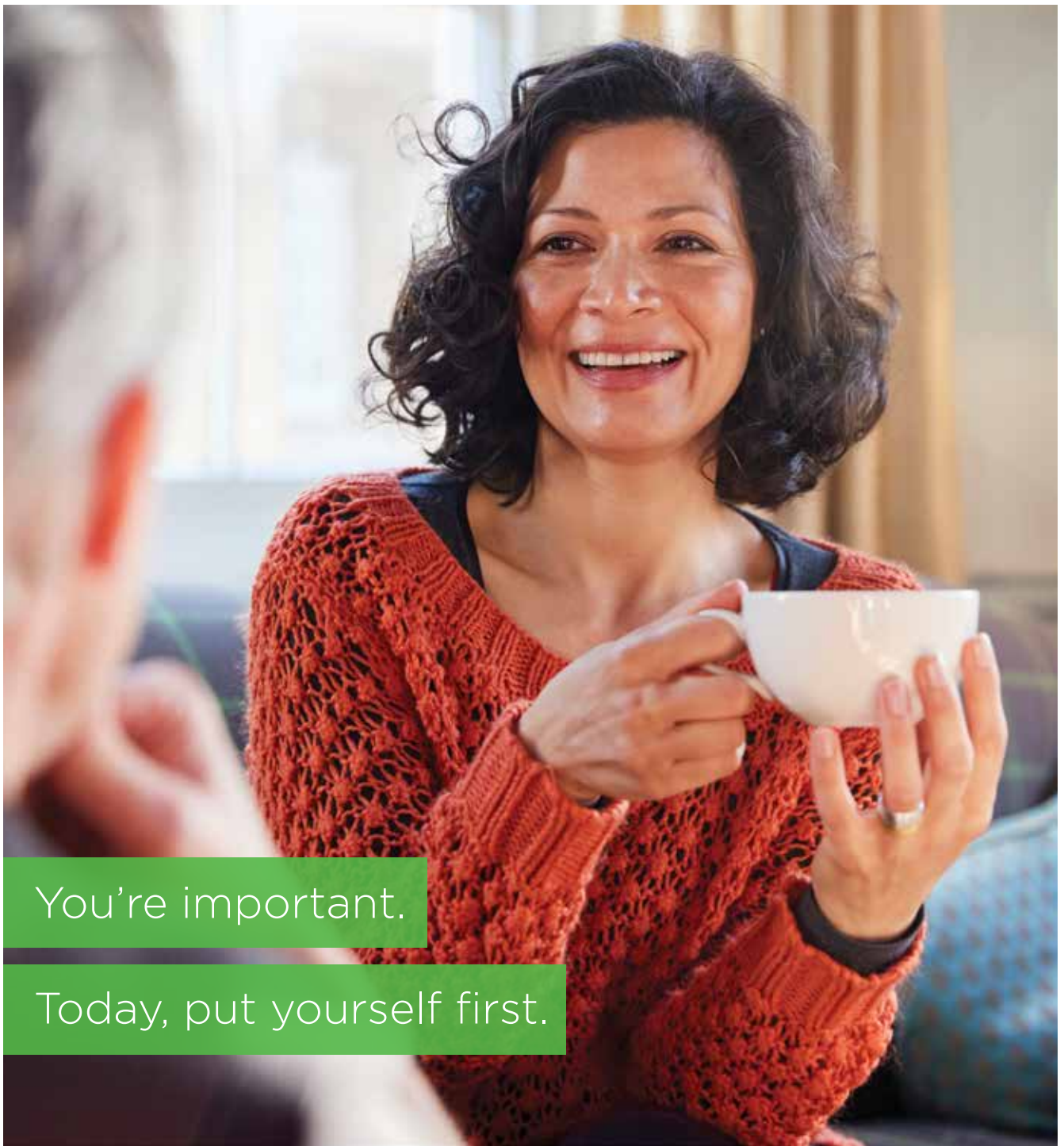
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LETTER FROM THE PUBLISHERS

IT'S TIME TO
*fall into
fun*



I'm not at all upset that the hot and humid summer is coming to an end, just in time for the numerous gatherings and events that are planned to populate our calendars and schedules this fall. As the oppressive, never-ending heat finally breaks, we emerge from our air-conditioned homes, fill the parks, and stroll through our lovely, preserved downtown areas. Even though the days are getting shorter, it's fun to pass the time with the brisk air, gentle rains, and changing foliage. Fortunately, the region in which we reside

is rich in natural beauty. Lake Ray Roberts offers great hiking trails and is just a hop, skip, and a jump away from most residents in the 380 Corridor.

We love putting together the fall issue because it's always full of enjoyable activities and exciting occasions. There is always a lot going on. Simply put, you are only sitting around if you choose to. Every weekend, there are a ton of options for entertainment!

Two of our favorite events this time of year include the fun for all Bonnie and Clyde Days in the Historic Downtown Pilot Point, and for our older readers, take a short drive south to the ever-exciting Screams! There you can get your fill of haunted houses all in one location. We hope you take your family out and explore some of our obscure places around the 380 Corridor. It is free and fun and a perfect drivable scavenger hunt.

The time leading up to the new year usually goes by quickly because of football games, fall events, and holidays! Cease the moment and live your best life! Try a novel approach. Create a new custom! With the growth and development in the area, there are new things popping up all the time. Explore until your heart is content!

Share your new discoveries with us so we can enjoy them as well! No matter whatever you do this season, we hope it is filled with love, friends, family, and joy.

Enjoy your festivities,

Jodie & David Prickett

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REV UP FOR THE ULTIMATE OUTLAW ADVENTURE!

Unleash your inner outlaw at the Bonnie and Clyde Festival in Pilot Point, TX on October 12, 2024! Join us in reliving their infamous bank heist and exploring their wild stomping-grounds. Hosted by Pilot Point's Main Street Program - don't miss out!

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REMEMBERING OUR ANCESTORS ~ DÍA DE MUERTOS

Pan de muerto (Bread of the Dead), marigold flowers, pastel picado (colorful paper), and other festivities are quickly approaching once more this year.

Let's discuss Day of the Dead, or Día de Muertos in Spanish! It is a unique occasion for loved ones in the living world to reunite with departed family members in this festival. This major celebration is observed annually in several South American nations, but primarily in Mexico. In our area, the number of festivals and parades has increased due to its growing popularity in the United States.

The customary festival honors the life-death cycle and is held on November 1st and 2nd (but there are other events on October 31st and November 6th). However, cities will often celebrate on the weekend before the exact date.

The Denton Day of the Dead Festival will take place on East Hickory and Industrial Street in Downtown from October 25 to October 27 this year. This is a public, family-friendly event. On October 26 from 2 to 10 p.m. is Dallas Día Delos Muertos. The parade leaves Dallas City Hall at 7:00 p.m. The goal of these events is to strengthen and develop a welcoming community spirit.

Large parades and skull-themed face painting are common throughout the vibrant celebration. They are, however, intended to be a celebration and remembrance of friends and relatives who have departed into the afterlife rather than to be frightening.

Whether you are new to these traditions or grew up celebrating this holiday, we hope you mark your calendars for Day of the Dead this year.

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RIDE AGAIN IN PILOT POINT

By Wendy Haun · Pilot Point Main Street | Photos courtesy of Nite Life Magazine

Every year, infamous outlaws Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow ride again in North Texas.

While the actual Bonnie & Clyde died in a hail of gunfire in rural Louisiana in the 1930s, Pilot Point comes together every year to commemorate the filming of the classic film starring Faye Dunaway and Warren Beatty. “Bonnie & Clyde”, shot in 1966 in various locations around north Texas, filmed its famous bank robbery scene in the Farmers and Merchants Bank on the corner of Washington and Main.

This year’s Bonnie & Clyde Days Festival, which recognizes the Academy Award-winning film shot right in the Historic Pilot Point Square, will be on October 12. From 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., this festival boasts activities for families, the Soap Box Challenge, live entertainment, plus the festival-favorite reenactments.

THE FILMING

Dunaway and Beatty were the leads in a star-studded cast that descended upon north Texas in the fall of 1966 for the filming of the movie, which also included appearances by Gene Hackman, Estelle Parsons (who won an Oscar for her portrayal of Blanche Barrow) and Gene Wilder.

An oft-repeated legend is that Bonnie & Clyde were frequently spotted in the Pilot Point area, but not to rob any banks. Clyde Barrow had relatives in the

area, who would offer safe haven to the Barrow Gang between their robberies.

2024 FESTIVAL

This year’s Bonnie & Clyde Days will bring back the festival everyone knows and loves, while also taking it to the next level.

Headlining the slate of music for this year’s festival will be Joey Green. The headlining set will begin at 6:30 pm on the main stage. They will cap off a day filled with live entertainment, everything from dance troupes to other live music groups, including Trent Cowie, Hannah Hokit and Brian “Beerman” Houser.

We’re very excited that the Ford Masonic Lodge has taken over the much-beloved Soap Box Challenge. Come up Washington Street towards the Library and check out the racers as they go for glory!

Festival attendees can expect the reenactment of the bank robbery scene, a free kids’ zone, classic car show, including a stellar fleet of Model As, the Pie-Eating Contest and antique tractors.



2024 Bonnie & Clyde Days Schedule of Events

October 12, 2024 | 10 am – 8 pm | Historic Pilot Point Square

10 AM -	Welcome to Bonnie & Clyde Days	Main Stage
10 AM -	Kids Zone, Vendors, Model A Cars and Classic Car Show Open	
10 AM -	Soap Box Challenge, produced by Masonic Lodge	Pilot Point Library
10 AM -	Starbright Music & Performing Arts Performance	Main Stage
11 AM -	Pie-Eating Contest, sponsored by Little Piglet Bakery	Main Stage
12 PM -	Film Reenactment	Jefferson & Main
1 PM -	Live Music with Hannah Hokit	Main Stage
2:30 PM -	Film Reenactment	Jefferson & Main
3 PM -	Live Music with Beerman	Main Stage
5 PM -	Live Music with Trent Cowie	Main Stage
5 PM -	Kids Zone Closes	
6:30 PM -	LIVE MUSIC WITH JOEY GREEN	MAIN STAGE
8 PM -	Festival Closes	

*Schedule subject to change. More details at visitpilotpoint.org



2024 Headliner: JOEY GREEN

Headlining the 2024 Bonnie & Clyde Days will be Joey Green! Texas area native and Nashville transplant, known for his success on NBC's The Voice, Joey Green boasts a rock 'n' roll to soul country rollercoaster ride of a live show. He considers his genre post-Americana - a mix of Americana, rock and country.

There will be no cost to attend the concert, which begins at 6:30 p.m. on the Main Stage.

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Screams® Halloween Theme Park has five different haunted houses, each with a different theme, a variety of terrifyingly fun frights, and creepy characters that are sure to find what makes you scream! The TerraMythica Castle has been totally redesigned for the 2024, season and the other haunted houses have been updated as well.

Here's a glimpse into the frights you'll encounter at Screams® 2024. TerraMythica Castle – Take a terrifying trip through the dark, horror-infested halls of the TerraMythica Castle and experience the evil being conjured throughout its cursed, medieval corridors... The Bootlegger's Bayou – take a twisted trip through the bowels of the terrifying... but beware... if you get lost here, there's a depraved and gruesome family waiting for you... Zombie Wasteland... Apocalypse – The infected have taken over! Containment is futile... can you find your way through the wasteland of carnage? The survivors think you are zombies, and zombies think you are food... Good Luck! Times Up... Maze – Enter at your own risk! Tick Tock goes the clock, you're running out of time... run, run, give it all you've got before that dreadful chime... Clownz in 3-D Haunted House: Step right up and into this diabolical circus of the deranged! Try, if you can, to survive a trip through this depraved circus of madness... all in 3-D (yes, you actually wear 3-D glasses as you go through the house!)

Watch out! The cast of haunting Strigoi (evil souls) are roaming throughout the site looking for you, everywhere you go. You never know when or where they will be! Screams® is designed for ages 16+ and not recommended for young children.

There are also two different walk-through attractions at Screams®. Your evening stroll takes an exhilarating twist in the Cool Ghoul Boulevard, where only the coolest of ghouls reside in an amazing display of lights and synchronized music. The Rottingwood Cemetery sets the tone for the entire evening as the undead greet you just inside the entrance.

When you are ready to take a break, you can enjoy exciting live stage shows presented by Whataburger. The Hell Dolls return with their mesmerizing show where aerials and fire collide, or check out new shows by Queen Anne's Lace on October 4th and 5th and End of The WoRLD PaRADE on October 11, 12, 18, and 19.

You can try out your singing skills at Scary-Oke (Screams® very own version of Karaoke) or visit the psychic and palm reader, get a henna tattoo, play games of skill, and shop for some great Halloween swag in the vendor shops. Take home some Delicious Doom Chocolates or some Screams® merch from the souvenir shop!

When the frights get you hungry, grab a bite to eat at the All-New Coco's Sweet Treats, All-New Food Trucks, 13th Hour Bakery, food court, or Full Moon Café (and bar). Great new eats for 2024 are boudin and specialty sausage, 17 flavors of shaved ice, fresh cotton candy (in three flavors), apple cider, chocolate dipped bananas, chocolate dipped cheesecake, Cowboy Pepper (jalapenos stuffed with chicken and cheese), Philly cheesesteaks, brisket and pork sliders, tacos, banana pudding, baked potatoes, jalapeno sausage on-a-stick, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, broccoli cheese soup in a bread bowl, red beans and rice in a bread bowl, garlic cheese bread, frozen Dr Pepper and frozen Big Red, and weekly specials at the Full Moon Café and 13th Hour Bakery. There will also be a full selection of Dr Pepper products and water to enjoy.



Those 21 and older can partake in adult beverages such as craft and seasonal beers, ciders, Scarborough Mead, mixed cocktails, the ever-popular Jell-O shots in a giant syringe, and more at the seven pubs (you must be 21 or older to purchase or consume alcohol at Screams®).

One of the things that makes Screams® stand out from other haunted houses is that your one admission ticket gets you into all five haunted houses and also includes the stage shows, Scary Oke, as well as the Cool Ghoul Boulevard and the Rottingwood Cemetery walk-through attractions. It's the best Halloween event value in the Dallas/Fort Worth area! Screams® is open every Friday and Saturday night October 4 – November 2, 7:00pm – 1:00am Admission is available until 12:00am and parking is FREE! Keep in mind that NO costumes, face paint, or decorative masks are allowed at Screams®.

Tickets prices at the gate start at \$45 with prices varying for Friday and Saturday nights. Discount tickets are available now at www.ScreamsPark.com. Screams® is designed for ages 16+, and there are no child tickets or child discounts available. Fast Passes can cut your wait time for the Haunted Houses in half, and there are a limited number available each night starting at \$33 each. Discount Fast Passes are also on sale now at www.ScreamsPark.com. Fast Passes do NOT include admission into Screams®, only the cue lines for the Haunted Houses.

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380GUIDE OBSCURA CURIOUS AND WONDEROUS PLACES

By Jodie Linton-Prickett



The 380Guide Obscura was inspired by one of my favorite travel guides, Atlas Obscura. Every day we see the obvious beauty and history that North Texas and the surrounding areas have to offer, but if you look closer, there are some peculiar and intriguing curiosities waiting to be noticed. It is almost always exhilarating to get off the beaten path, but sometimes it is just as fun to explore right under your nose, finding something waiting to be noticed! If you are new to the area or have been here a lifetime, we hope 380Guide Obscura inspires you to take a closer look at your surroundings. By celebrating the strange, obscure and little known, you get a unique perspective about your environment. Also, driving around and finding these little treasures is a great and inexpensive way to spend an afternoon with the family.

380Guide hopes to grow this list and run an extended version of this feature in future issues with additional area wonders and novelties. We hope that our readers will share their favorite hidden gems with us and get involved with expanding this feature for next year! If you would like to tell us about your favorite area obscurity, please send us a photo and location to Info@380Guide.com; please put 380GuideObscura in the subject line. Happy hunting!



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Nuts For the Holidays?

Easy Maple Glazed Nuts

This easy-to-make, three-ingredient treat is perfect for all of the fall and winter holidays. Maple-glazed walnuts or pecans are delicious on a festive, warm winter salad, combined with Brussels sprouts, pumpkin, and cranberries. They can give any other salad the ideal crunch as well. Most people enjoy eating them as a snack by the handful. When guests arrive for the holidays or on game days, it is simple to put this treat out on the table! Purchase cute holiday bags and distribute them as thoughtful gifts to coworkers, friends, and neighbors. Because of the delectable maple coating, these nuts can be combined with anything sweet or savory.



Here's what you'll need:

Pure maple
syrup

Raw whole pecans
or walnuts

Kosher
Salt

Instructions:

Making sure you don't overcook the nuts is the only challenging part of this recipe for glazed nuts. Simmer one part maple syrup to four parts pecans or walnuts in a skillet for six to eight minutes, stirring occasionally. Cook maple syrup until it's almost completely absorbed; the nuts will start to group together. Avoid overcooking and remove the skillet from heat to avoid powdery sugar. Spread nuts on parchment paper to dry, and sprinkle with kosher salt. To enhance the salty sweetness of glazed nuts, add a little salt. On parchment paper, spread them out in a single layer to dry. If you're going to store them, wait until they've hardened for about 15 minutes. If you want to eat them right away, let them cool for five minutes.

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PointBank's technology push isn't anything new. The David family has been championing this cause for years and continues to find new ways to reimagine what they do and also implement those changes faster than their competitors.

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