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WGH Foundation champions

Wilbarger General Hospital Foundation held its annual Charting the Course golf tournament on Saturday at Hillcrest Country Club. This year's event raised \$17,000 for the WGH Foundation, a record breaking year. The winning team, with a score of 56, included Ruben Vargas, Lauren Hagar, Brian Fritze, Kris Fritze, Ronnie Lucas and Nathan Mayo. See more on Page 5 of today's edition.

Latest on Covid-19

Concert cancelled, masks mandatory

The exemption for Wilbarger County to not have to comply with Gov. Greg Abbott's executive order requiring face masks in public ended last Thursday night. Masks must be worn in public and in all commercial buildings. First violation is a written warning and a second violation is a \$250 fine.

In addition, the City of Vernon reports the often-delayed Lorrie Morgan concert has been completely cancelled.

Wilbarger County applied for, and was granted a waiver to the governor's state-wide mask order.

The waiver allowed the county to opt out as long as long

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Former deputy hopes to meet baby he saved Lingnau recalls terrible accident, 32 years ago

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June 2, 1988 is a date etched in the mind of Alvin Lingnau, of Lockett. He thinks of it often.

On that day Lingnau was a deputy sheriff in Foard County. He had just completed his training as an EMT and was heading to Abilene to take his final certification test as a deputy.

"Gamble McCarty taught us. We had to take the EMT class and it was hard. He taught us four hours a night. I had just gotten my EMT card," Lingnau said.

He was driving to Abilene, and was behind a car, on the northside of town. That car collided into a trailer of a semi, went under it, and continued on. Lingnau drove around the truck and followed to where the now roofless car came to a stop. The woman driving had been

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Mayor Gosline kicks off DV Awareness Month with proclamation

Let's put an end to domestic violence

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month and local officials are calling on citizens to actively work toward eradicating domestic violence in our community.

At a signing ceremony on Tuesday at Vernon City Hall, Mayor Pam Gosline signed an official proclamation demonstrating the city's commitment to fighting domestic violence. The proclamation recognizes that "...the impact of

domestic violence is wide ranging, directly affecting individuals and society as a whole, throughout the United States, and here in the City of Vernon." The proclamation also recognizes the work being done by local family violence center, Texoma Alliance to Stop Abuse (TASA), and the importance of their collaboration with local law enforcement agencies, like the Vernon Police Department in the formation of a Domestic Violence

High Risk Team.

"It takes a holistic approach to tackle domestic violence in our community. As an advocate, I am grateful for the cooperation from the VPD and the CA and DA's offices in reviewing high risk cases, so that I can do my job in supporting and assisting victims. Because of this coordinated response, we are able to keep victims safe and hold offenders accountable," says TASA Executive Director Rachel

Lira.

TASA will be kicking off the month by hosting a golf scramble at the Hillcrest Country Club on Saturday, October 3, at 9 a.m. Registration for the event is \$30 and includes breakfast and

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Mayor Pam Gosline (seated) signed a proclamation Tuesday declaring October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Looking on were (back from left) ASA Executive Director Rachel Lira, ADA Jon Whitsitt, TASA board member, and District Attorney Staley Heatly. Daniel Walker/Vernon Record



Northside homecoming candidates

Both Vernon and Northside High School will hold homecoming on Friday. Nominees for kings and queens for both schools have been named. Northside candidates are pictured

above: Wiley Thomas, Tatyanna Austin, Tylan Hildenbrand, Shelby Oglesby, Chloe Brooks, Cody Spangler, and Nyvaiah Garza. Not pictured is Nick Garcia.

DEATHS:

Denis Baustert, Sherman
JoAnn Hudgins, Horseshoe Bay
Flora Baldwin, Vernon

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Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.
Psalm 27:14

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NEWS POINTS

Vernon Homecoming on Friday

Vernon High School will host Homecoming at half-time of Friday's football game. Kickoff is at 7:30 p.m. A community pep rally will be held Friday at 3 p.m. at the football field.

Vernon Homecoming nominees include Lyndsey Dennis, Taylor Jackson, Taylor Reeves, Ellie Burdette, Lindy Ochoa, Emily Boyd, Shay Williams, and Lillian James. High school staff stated a photo of the nominees was not available, and one could not be taken Monday or Tuesday.

Paper shredding/coat drive event

The Paper Pig Shredding Event/Coat Drive sponsored by H&R Block, in partnership with Paper Pig Shredding, Vernon Chamber of Commerce and United Supermarket, will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 3, at United Supermarket.

Shredding will be free with a donation of a coat for a child.

'Walk in Park' craft show planned

A "Walk in the Park" craft show will be sponsored by TOPS of Texas 144 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 10, in Allingham Park, weather permitting.

The event will take place of the annual fall craft show.

Vendors will be along the sidewalk around the park.

For additional information call Becky Chism at 940-357-9128.

Popular rental site getting tough

Airbnb isn't putting up with Texas parties breaking its rules. On Tuesday, the popular rental listing site announced a crackdown on party houses throughout Texas.

Airbnb's current policy bans parties, including a cap on occupancy at 16 people, at all

listings worldwide until further notice. The company announced the global ban in 2019, alongside a 24/7 Neighborhood Support Hotline.

But some Airbnb users in Texas apparently haven't been following the rules. The company said more than 80 listings across the state have received complaints or otherwise violated the policies on parties and events and have been suspended or removed from Airbnb.

"The vast majority of hosts in Texas contribute positively to their neighborhoods and economy, and they also take important steps to prevent unauthorized parties - like establishing clear house rules, quiet hours and communicating in advance with their guests," Airbnb said in a press release. "Our actions today address the small minority of hosts who have previously received warnings about hosting responsibly or have otherwise violated our policies."

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