No end in sight to drought conditions

Despite plentiful precipitation last year, 2022 off to abnormally dry start as spring has sprung

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James Armand Bernarduci

James Armand Bernarduci was called to be with the Lord on Monday, March 14, 2022, at the age of 89 in Magnolia, Texas. To his family and friends, he was known as Jim, J.B., Payton and Pa.

Jim was born on September 12, 1933, in Sykesville, Pennsylvania, the only child of Armand “Babe” Bernarducci and Dorothy (Dudley) Bernarducci. Jim was survived by his love of his life, Nancy Jean Bedolla, his three daughters, Wendy John

december 19, 1959, in St. Louis, Missouri. Jim was also survived by his stepchildren, Mary Parker, John Dvorak and his wife, Cheryl, and Ted Dvorak, and his four grandchildren, Elizabeth, Kayla, Hannah, Sarah and Henry. Jim is also survived by his three step-grandchildren, Payton and Jayce and their mother, Amanda Myers.

Spurred by the Kendall County His- torical Commission, a marketing campaign was launched to promote the first ever Kendall County Rendezvous Forgery Scouting Program. The Rendezvous Forgery Scouting Program is a unique outdoor event that combines history, education, and fun for all ages. The event will take place on Saturday, March 26, 2022, at the Kendall County Courthouse.

The event will feature live music, food trucks, and outdoor activities for all ages. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about early American culture, mining, and frontier life. The event will also feature a variety of vendors, including local artisans and historical reenactors.

Attendees will have the chance to experience the excitement of a historical reenactment, where they can witness traditional activities such as blacksmithing, pottery making, and trapping.

National Merit finalists

Champion High School seniors Ethan Thornton and Halle Vandersloot have been named 2022 National Merit Scholarship Finalists. Thornton and Vandersloot, both Class of 2022 seniors, were selected from a pool of over 1.6 million students in about 21,000 high schools nationwide.

Vandersloot, who is the first National Merit Scholar to be named in Champion’s history, earned the scholarship through her outstanding performance on the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. Thornton and Vandersloot will each receive a $2,500 National Merit Scholarship toward their college education.

The National Merit Scholarship Program is an academic competition that recognizes students for their outstanding performance on the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. Thornton and Vandersloot are the first students to be named National Merit Finalists from Champion High School.

Graves to discuss early weapons

On Saturday, April 9, 2022, a new children’s choir will be featured at the annual Boerne Spring Sing. The performance will take place in the Community Room at 6 p.m. at the Boerne Volunteer Fire Department.

Two of his artifacts are on loan from the Boerne Area Historical Preservation Historical Society, the family said.

Instead of floral remem- brances, the family suggested that donations can be made to Alamo Horse of Boerne, Boerne Animal Care services and Kendall County Cowboy Church.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of the staff of Hub & Hall Funeral Home of Boerne. To share your word of comfort with the family, please visit their website at www.holtfh.com.

Burn Ban

FOR Rotary 10th anniversary

Fair Oaks Ranch Rotarians and guests gathered earlier this month at the Fair Oaks Ranch Golf & Country Club for a meeting and fellowship event to celebrate the club’s 10th anniversary.

Rotary International President Barry Rassin was in attendance, along with District Governor Lisa Maxston Kotzur and current President Greg Maxton.

The club’s first president, Kathy Hubbard, and current President Greg Raston welcomed guest speaker Rotary President Barry Rassin.

The event included a silent auction, raffle, and dinner, with proceeds going to support local community programs.

The club has been involved in a variety of community service projects, including support for local schools, food banks, and other local charities.

The club has also been active in promoting Rotary’s 10th anniversary, with various events and initiatives planned throughout the year.

The club’s goal is to continue to grow and expand its membership, while also supporting local community programs and initiatives.

The club invites interested individuals to join and become a part of their mission.

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Jim was an avid golfer and served on several community programs throughout his life, such as the American Association of Last Meals and Meals on Wheels. He also enjoyed teaching Sunday school at church.

He was a beloved son, husband, father, grandpa, great-grandpa and great, great-grandpa and will be missed by all those who loved him.

A celebration of his life will be held at a later date to be announced.
Over the past 128 years, it has rained 0.36 of an inch in December. With all that said, Voulgaris told The Star.

In addition, more than half of the United States is in a drought warning or higher. These areas are in the above-average temperatures category.

The NWS's short-term forecast through midnext week does not include any chances of showers. Highs are expected to be in the 80s with lows in the mid 70s.

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And, this year is our silver anniversary as we’ve sponsored this fun and friendly competition since 1997.

Each July, your Star publishes in print – and our county’s original – Best of the Best section that features the top businesses and professionals in our area as determined by our thousands of subscribers and readers.

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Notice is hereby given that the Historic Landmark Commission of the City of Boerne, Texas, will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at 5:30 PM, in the City Council Chambers, located at 447 N. Main Street, Boerne, Texas, to discuss the following:

Public hearing:

A. TO CONSIDER THE DEMOLITION REQUEST FOR A STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 1711 HERFF (JULIE AIBEL/ YBELL (ROSELLA MURPHY/ HAYWARD AND MURPHY, LLC).

B. TO CONSIDER THE DEMOLITION REQUEST FOR A STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 462 CHAILEY STREET (KHAYANG)//KHAYANG (ZUBER BUILDING, LLC).

C. TO CONSIDER THE DEMOLITION REQUEST FOR A STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 103 OLD SAN ANTONIO ROAD (KA-0642) (GEORGE YOUNG /CITRUS ENTERPRISES).

D. TO CONSIDER THE DEMOLITION REQUEST FOR A STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 33500 BLOCK I-10 W. (KENDALL CREEK/ KENDALL RIVER/ KENDALL COUNTY)

All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

**NOTICE OF ASSISTANCE AT THE PUBLIC MEETINGS**

Requests for special services must be received forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting by calling the Planning Department at 830-248-1501.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Boerne, Texas, will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 4, 2022, at 6:00 PM, in the City Council Chambers, located at 447 N. Main Street, Boerne, Texas, to discuss the following:

Public Hearing:

A. TO CONSIDER THE SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR COMMERCIAL RECREATION (OUTDOOR) IN A 2.33 CONSERVATION DISTRICT RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 17 SCENIC LOOP ROAD (KENDALL COUNTY)

B. TO CONSIDER THE SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR AN ACCOMMODATION PERMITTING-CLARIDGE APARTMENT-located at 4621 EPISCOPAL ROAD EAST BANANA RESIDENCES (3,025 SF PERMIT, KENDALL COUNTY)

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CRYPTO QUIP

This is a new and unique version of the Crypto Quip puzzle, and every one features 7 clues and 9 CROSSED CRUCIFERENTS. If you miss any clues, you'll be able to solve the puzzle, thanks to a new feature called CROSSverbs.

Clue:
QIJKLXZD2EF PN X REFX ZQKRXR
ARVJXJXHANIN DZZXVAXK
GNGQZK3KX X N IYNT-ZN3E YNENPRA.

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ANSWERS

1. Robert Frost
2. “Friday Night Lights”
3. 1776
4. Between the west coast of Italy and the islands of Sicily, Sardinia and Corsica
5. Pork
6. Coca-Cola
7. 20 mph
8. Vincent van Gogh (by actor Kirk Douglas)
9. 1953
10. Ferdinand Magellan

Answer the following questions:

1. LITERATURE: Who wrote the poem “Nothing Gold Can Stay”?
2. TELEVISION: Eric Taylor was the dad in which 2000s TV drama?
3. MATH: What is the Arabic number equivalent of the Roman numerals MDCCLXXVI?
4. GEOGRAPHY: Where is the Tyrrhenian Sea located?
5. FOOD & DRINK: What is the primary ingredient in the canned product SPAM?
6. ADVERTISING SLOGANS: What product did football player Joe Greene promote in the “Meet Joe Greene” TV commercial?
7. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How fast do honeybees fly?
8. MOVIES: Who was the famous person portrayed in the movie “Lust for Life”?
9. HISTORY: When was Elizabeth II crowned queen?
10. EXPLORERS: Which early European explorer named the Pacific Ocean?
Boerne softball is experienced and loaded

Deer softball squad splits first two district games

The Deer opened district play last week in three innings, 5-3, the Lady Bears scored six runs in five innings, while BHS scored five runs in six innings.

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Ch白菜 champion to play well

The Champion baseball team continues to play well as they prepare to face their next district opponent.

Champion improves to 8-5 and run ruled all three teams this week. The team is looking to make a run in the district and is targeting another top four finish.

FROM PAGE 9

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YOU’RE THE JUDGE!

Nominate your favorite in each category below. The final date for this ballot will be April 26, 2022. On May 9th—June 10th we will list the Top 5 nominees in each category. The Top 3 winners will be delivered in person to the Boerne Star.

RULES: Only original ballots from the newspaper will be counted.

Nomination forms must have NAME AND PHONE NUMBER. Ballots can be mailed to: The Boerne Star, c/o Reader’s Choice Contest, 941 N. School St., Boerne, TX 78006. Ballots may also be delivered in person to the Boerne Star.

DEADLINE FOR VOTING ON THE BALLOT IS
Tuesday, April 26th, 5p.m.

Name: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

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Bakery
Butcher
Barbecue
Breakfast
Breakfast Taco
Chicken Wings
Chinese Food
Craft Beer
Coffee
French Fries
Hamburger
Health Food
Ice Cream
Italian Food
Margarita
Mexican Food
Pie
Pizza
Sandwich
Salad
Seafood
Wine Retailer

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Home Inspection
Home Remodeler
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Landscaping Company
Painting Company
Pest Control
Pet Store
Plumbing Company
Postal Center
Private School
Rain Guitar Company
Roofing Company
Storage Facility
Swimming Pool Service
Veterinary Clinic
Water Conditioning
Water Well Company

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Credit Union
Financial Advisor
Insurance Agent
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Website Design

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WRITE IN
April starts great viewings in the night sky

Science has never drummed up quite as effective a tranquilizing agent as a sunny Spring day. W. E. Hill referred to this in his book, "The Digest of the Night Sky," and I might include a warm sunny spring night.

And then there’s always Henry David Thoreau. "It’s easy enough to see what begins to out in its turn, so the season of spring is the season of contentment of out of chaos."

And then it’s April, May, June. Month by month in the Great Riddles of Libra, and then come the signs which shape in the summer Milky Way with all its gracious and colorful nebula and splendid star clusters. There are a few things worth looking for, but in April dawn will reflect on the horizon, on a clear horizon, you see an eye-catching array of things comprising, Hau- ten, Venus, Mars and Saturn toward the northeast. You won’t need dark skies to view this spectacle. If you’ve been wondering where the evening planets were, well they’ve been hiding behind the sun, and they’re nearing morning objects. Watch for the Lyrid meteor shower in the early morning hours of the 22nd. Peak activity should be between 5:30 and 6:30 A.M. After that time the moon activity should be between 5 and 6:30 A.M. to see quite a naked eyesight. Jupiter and Venus (the two brightest planets) will be less than a half degree apart in the southern sky.

They will be close enough together to see them both in a wide telescope; look quite vivid and very bright in binoculars. The sun will rise at 6:15 A.M. If it’s cloudy that morning try sunrise on May 1. They won’t be much farther apart.

I had a lot of fun writing about the end of November finding a clear night sky when the moon wasn’t up so I could do some imaging. I’ve averaged about two nights (or more accu- rately partial nights) a month, and March was the worst. And when it’s "close," it’s actually important. Such banding and casual astronomy requires little effort really, but serious amateur astromer- omen spend considerable time and effort, not to mention lost sleep. It seems reasonable to ask why we do it. Most feel it difficult to explain. Some mention the beauty of the planets, stars and galaxies. Others mention the grandeur of the cosmos and their sense of belonging to it.

I would mention that contempla- tion of the stars draws people close to one another by awakening our common status as fellow travelers on an inhabited planet. Although we have different skin colors and live in different countries, we’re all one family on spaceship earth. No other animal in the universe has our common genetics or shared history.

Then and if we’ve finally turned by another intelligent species or on what let’s shop. We’ve already come together on our little planet with one people, on one world government hopefully, a democracy, one con- solidated biosphere. We’ll need to present a united front, a united peo- ple. The world population in 2021 is 8,000,000,000 people and we’re the only one city of Boerne public star party on the sky. It’s a phase of our warlike past that this phase of our warlike past will have passed into history. (probably a democracy), one con- solidated biosphere. We’ll need to present a united front, a united peo- ple. The world population in 2021 is 8,000,000,000 people and we’re the only one city of Boerne public star party on the sky. It’s a phase of our warlike past that this phase of our warlike past will have passed into history. (probably a democracy), one con- solidated biosphere. We’ll need to present a united front, a united peo- ple. The world population in 2021 is 8,000,000,000 people and we’re the only one city of Boerne public star party on the sky. It’s a phase of our warlike past that this phase of our warlike past will have passed into history. (probably a democracy), one con- solidated biosphere. We’ll need to present a united front, a united peo- ple. The world population in 2021 is 8,000,000,000 people and we’re the only one city of Boerne public star party on the sky. It’s a phase of our warlike past that this phase of our warlike past will have passed into history. (probably a democracy), one con- solidated biosphere. We’ll need to present a united front, a united peo- ple. The world population in 2021 is 8,000,000,000 people and we’re the only one city of Boerne public star party on the sky. It’s a phase of our warlike past that this phase of our warlike past will have passed into history. (probably a democracy), one con- solidated biosphere. We’ll need to present a united front, a united peo- ple. The world population in 2021 is 8,000,000,000 people and we’re the only one city of Boerne public star party on the sky. It’s a phase of our warlike past that this phase of our warlike past will have passed into history. (probably a democracy), one con- solidated biosphere. We’ll need to present a united front, a united peo- ple. The world population in 2021 is 8,000,000,000 people and we’re the only one city of Boerne public star party on the sky. It’s a phase of our warlike past that this phase of our warlike past will have passed into history. (probably a democracy), one con- solidated biosphere. We’ll need to present a united front, a united peo- ple. The world population in 2021 is 8,000,000,000 people and we’re the only one city of Boerne public star party on the sky. It’s a phase of our warlike past that this phase of our warlike past will have passed into history. (probably a democracy), one con- solidated biosphere. We’ll need to present a united front, a united peo-