



We Are Surrounded by History

Contributed by Andrea Willott

Did you know that one of the pioneers of this area still has many ancestors here? Did you know that that pioneer family's cemetery is in Falconhead?

The Beck-Spillman Family Cemetery was established when Colonel Joseph Beck died 99 years ago on October 22, 1919. Colonel Beck and his wife Mathilde came from Germany during the year 1873 to settle in Bee Cave, Texas. This is the same year the first Buffalo soldiers were posted in Texas and before our beautiful state capitol was built here in Austin. The Becks raised their family on the land which they homesteaded consisting of 640 acres.

Lydia, the daughter of Joseph and Mathilde Beck married Otto Spillman in 1912. They operated the cotton gin located on Hamilton Pool Road.

Henry Spillman, the son of Otto and Lydia Spillman, with his wife Bernice and together with their family, operated the 640-acre ranch until 1983. That ranch is now Lake Travis High School and soccer fields, Falconhead Golf Course, Falconhead and Falconhead West, among a few other establishments on the east side of RR 620. The family still owns several acres of the original ranch.

We can sometimes forget about those who bravely came to this part of Texas when there were still Native Americans hunting and fishing here. When these early pioneers had to find clean water to drink and hunt and fish or grow their food. No HEB.

In this busy world we live in it is easy to forget, or not even notice, the land around us. I was privileged to talk with the great-great-grandson of Colonel Beck. He still lives in Bee Cave on part of the original homestead. His stories were fascinating as he told me how they farmed and raised cattle, how as a boy he would ride his bike on a two-lane small road called RR620. He would ride up to where Lake Travis High School is now located and coast all the way home without ever seeing any type of vehicle. He is a proud Texan and family man and I feel so lucky to have had the opportunity to visit with him.

One final note, that family cemetery is located within a small enclave of cottage homes called Spillman Ridge right off Falconhead

Boulevard. Kids, you might think history is just a boring book you study in school, but if you take the time and look up from your digital devices, you will feel the history all around you.

LADERA NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out is designed to: Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness. Generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs. Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships.

Ladera will have a national night out on Saturday, October 13th! It will be held in the cul-d-sac at the top of Tordera Blvd from 6-8 pm. Food will be provided by P. Terry's and members of the Bee Cave police department and the Travis County fire department will be there to meet and greet you!

Ladera HOA Quarterly Meeting

Thursday, October 4, 2018
9:00 am

Conference call-in number:
712-775-8979, Code: 739389

Place of Meeting:
FirstService Residential Offices
7 Lakeway Centre Drive, Suite 102
Lakeway, Texas
512-266-6771

Residents may attend, but need to submit questions prior to the meeting to Stuart Jones, stuart.jones@fsresidential.com

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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October Landscaping Tips

Plant annual flowers and ornamental plants. So many cool-season annuals can be planted this month — pansies, violas, snapdragons, alyssum, dusty miller, calendulas, poppies and nasturtiums are great choices. If your area is having a bit of an Indian summer with higher temperatures, be sure to hold off another week until things cool off a bit.

Use annuals and other ornamental plants, like cabbage and kale, in containers as well as in the fronts of your beds and borders as slower-growing accents.

Maintain trees, shrubs and perennials. Look around to see if any of your mature trees or shrubs are showing signs of demise from lack of water or extreme heat — it often takes a full year to see the damage. If any of your larger plants are on the downslide, take the opportunity now to remove them and replant. The same goes for your perennials, as fall is the perfect time to get them in the ground. Try salvias, columbine, yarrow and esperanza as well as ornamental grasses.

Use ground covers. Ground covers are important for erosion control, as a low-growing accent in the front of a border or as a way to compensate for grass that will not grow under a shade

tree. Choose Asian jasmine, lamb's ears, Mondo grass, liriopse, ajuga or periwinkle. Be sure you know which ground covers like sunny sites and which ones prefer shadier conditions, and you'll be rewarded with lush growth and good coverage.

TABLE FOR 8

Table for 8 is a fun and exciting way to connect with neighbors from Ladera in a casual and relaxed atmosphere! Couples of all ages are welcome. We had our kick off in August and will meet monthly thereafter through December. Dining groups will change monthly, so you'll always get to know someone new. The menus are already selected each month. We'll gather in groups of 8 at the Host's house. Come join us and learn to cook something new, expand your palate and meet neighbors! Call or email Mattie Nickelatti at 512-809-1663, Mattie530@gmail.com or Kim Battle at 512-638-0038, BattleIsMyName.o@gmail.com.



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Ladera Ladies Happy Hour First Wednesday of Each Month

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HALLOWEEN HEALTH AND SAFETY TIPS

by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Fall celebrations like Halloween and Harvest Day are fun times for children, who can dress up in costumes, enjoy parties, and eat yummy treats. These celebrations also provide a chance to give out healthy snacks, get physical activity, and focus on safety.

Check out these tips to help make the festivities fun and safe for trick-or-treaters and party guests.

GOING TRICK-OR-TREATING?

- Swords, knives, and other costume accessories should be short, soft, and flexible.
- Avoid trick-or-treating alone. Walk in groups or with a trusted adult.
- Fasten reflective tape to costumes and bags to help drivers see you.
- Examine all treats for choking hazards and tampering before eating them. Limit the amount of treats you eat.
- Hold a flashlight while trick-or-treating to help you see and others see you. WALK and don't run from house to house.
- Always test make-up in a small area first. Remove it before bedtime to prevent possible skin and eye irritation.
- Look both ways before crossing the street. Use crosswalks wherever possible.
- Lower your risk for serious eye injury by not wearing decorative contact lenses.
- Only walk on sidewalks whenever possible, or on the far edge of the road facing traffic to stay safe.
- Wear well-fitting masks, costumes, and shoes to avoid blocked vision, trips, and falls.
- Eat only factory-wrapped treats. Avoid eating homemade treats made by strangers.
- Enter homes only if you're with a trusted adult. Only visit well-lit houses. Never accept rides from strangers.
- Never walk near lit candles or luminaries. Be sure to wear flame-resistant costumes.

EXPECTING TRICK-OR-TREATERS OR PARTY GUESTS??

Follow these tips to help make the festivities fun and safe for everyone:

- Provide healthier treats for trick-or-treaters such as low-calorie treats and drinks. For guests, offer a variety of fruits and vegetables.

- Use party games and trick-or-treat time as an opportunity for kids to get their daily dose of 60 minutes of physical activity.
- Be sure walking areas and stairs are well-lit and free of obstacles that could cause someone to fall.
- Keep candle-lit jack o'lanterns and luminaries away from doorsteps, walkways, landings, and curtains. Place them on sturdy tables, keep them out of the reach of pets and small children, and never leave them unattended.
- Remind drivers to watch out for trick-or-treaters and to drive safely.



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“55 Plus Seminar Series” to Educate Austin Older Adult Homeowners

The truth. It's what Austin homeowners want concerning later-in-life housing issues like: The Truth About Selling As-Is, and Living, Dying & Leaving a Legacy.

These topics, along with others, will be presented in the upcoming 55 Plus Seminar Series as 90-minute monthly educational seminars continue into June at Laura Bush Community Library. Adults 55+, seniors, and caregivers are invited to attend the free “55 Plus Seminar Series” to learn the actual facts about issues related to home ownership and post-retirement downsizing in the Austin area.

There are a lot of myths out there about what you must or “should” do in order to sell your home. The myths are perpetuated by shows on television featuring real estate agents with pearly white teeth and selling tiny homes for 2 million dollars. Real estate agents further confuse the issue because they advertise homes as “totally remodeled” and make it seem as though these homes are the only ones available.

During this 90-minute panel presentation, we will discuss the pro's and con's of fixing up a home to sell, as well as the pitfalls and benefits to selling ‘as-is.’

Here are just a few of the questions that will be answered: What is necessary to sell a home in the Austin City metropolitan area? What does ‘as-is’ really mean and does it make financial sense to sell that way? How do I know if an as-is cash offer is a fair offer?

This series of candid conversations and expert panel discussions about the unique and often complex issues facing long-time homeowners is to be moderated by Cyndi Cummings CSHP, SRES, CSA, considered a leading authority on issues related to downsizing, later-life relocation and (55+) senior living solutions in Austin. As a Certified Senior Housing Professional, Cyndi Cummings has made it her mission to educate and guide both consumers and professionals on best practices related to post-retirement living.

“Understanding whether staying in your current home or making a move would be better for you, requires information from trusted resources,” said Cummings. “Many seniors have no idea what is available to them, how much it will cost, or the process for making all the pieces fit together. We want to give them helpful information, introduce them to information that can help to answer their questions. Beyond helping with immediate needs, our intention is give individuals and families the both direction and confidence so they feel empowered when the time comes to make a major life decision.”

The 55 plus Seminar Series continues with “Selling As-Is” on October 23rd and Living, “Dying & Leaving a Legacy” on November 27th. The remaining calendar is located at www.55pluseminarseries.com.

There is no cost to attend for those age 55 or older. Reservations can be made by calling 512-937-2772 or online at www.55pluseminarseries.com. Space is limited and pre-registration is required.

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2018 SCHEDULE



PRESEASON

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	VARSITY	JV	9TH BLACK	9TH RED
Wednesday-Friday	August 1st-3rd	Tryouts Begin	LTHS	Two-A-Days	Two-A-Days	Two-A-Days	Two-A-Days
Saturday	August 4th	**Scrimmings (LT, Drip, Rouse & Westwood)	LTHS	9:00	10:00	10:00	10:00
Tuesday	August 7th	**Antonion	LTHS	2:00	12:00	2:00	12:00
Thursday-Saturday	August 9th-11th	Texas Volleyball Invitational (Varsity Only)	Pearland, Texas	TBD	---	---	---
Monday	August 13th	Westwood	Westwood	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Tuesday	August 14th	**Churchill	LTHS	4:30	3:30	3:30	2:30
Thursday-Saturday	August 16th-18th	Fraulen Festival Tournament (Varsity Only)	New Braunfels, Texas	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

DISTRICT SEASON

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	VARSITY	JV	9TH BLACK	9TH RED
Tuesday	August 21st	**Anderson	LTHS	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Thursday-Saturday	August 23rd-25th	VolleyPalooza Tournament (Varsity Only)	Leander, Texas	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Tuesday	August 28th	**Austin High	LTHS	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Thursday-Saturday	August 30 & Sept 1st	Dripping Springs Sub-Varsity Tournament	DSHS/DSMS	Practice	TBD	TBD	TBD
Friday	August 31st	**Del Valle	LTHS	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Tuesday	September 4th	Lehman	Lehman	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Friday	September 7th	Hays	Hays	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Tuesday	September 11th	**Westlake (Staff Appreciation)	LTHS	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Friday	September 14th	Bowie	Bowie	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Saturday	September 15th	**LT Invitational Sub-Varsity Tournament	LTHS	Practice	TBD	TBD	TBD
Tuesday	September 18th	**Ann Richards (LTYA & Little Sister Night)	LTHS	6:30	5:30	5:30	---
Friday	September 21st	**Akins	LTHS	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Tuesday	September 25th	Anderson	Anderson	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Friday	September 28th	Austin High	Austin High	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Tuesday	October 2nd	Del Valle	Del Valle	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Friday	October 5th	**Lehman (Homecoming)	LTHS	5:30	6:30	5:30	6:30
Tuesday	October 9th	**Hays (Dig for the Cure) (Middle School Night)	LTHS	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Friday	October 12th	Westlake	Westlake	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Tuesday	October 16th	**Bowie (Senior & Kardivas Night)	LTHS	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30
Friday	October 19th	Ann Richards	Ann Richards	7:30	6:30	---	5:30
Tuesday	October 23rd	Akins	Akins	6:30	5:30	5:30	6:30

POST SEASON PLAYOFFS

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	VARSITY	JV	9TH BLACK	9TH RED
Monday-Tuesday	October 29th & 30th	UIL Bi-District Playoffs	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Thursday-Friday	November 1st-3rd	UIL Area Playoffs	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Monday-Tuesday	November 5th-6th	UIL Regional Quarterfinals	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Friday-Saturday	November 9th-10th	UIL Regional Tournament	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Wednesday-Saturday	November 14th-17th	UIL State Tournament	GARLAND	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD

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in the Gregorian
calendar, named
from the Latin
numeral octo
meaning "eight",
because it was the
eighth month in
the original Roman
calendar.

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time of year when
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labors are ripe for
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