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# Beer & wine sold here

By Jess Paniszczyn

For proponents of packaged alcohol sales in Irving, the third time was the charm. With voters going to the polls in droves, 26,164 voters or 50.74 percent choose to allow alcohol to be sold by stores for off premise consumption. While 25,398 or 49.26 percent of voters, cast their votes against the alcohol option. The relatively small difference, 766 votes, represented a tiny margin of only 1.5 percent of the total vote.

"We are excited that due to a historic turnout, voters in Irving have spoken and they approved the

sale of alcohol in their city," said John Hatch, a partner in Texas Petition Strategies.

"In two years, we will be able to look back, just as we have done in other jurisdictions that voted to allow alcohol sales, and we will be able to see whether sales taxes went up, whether property values went up, whether economic activity went up or whether the gloom and doom that opponents predicted came to pass.

"Immediately, Irving will become a much more attractive loca-

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## Education Luncheon honors the work of teachers

By Jess Paniszczyn

Irving's local business community and education community came together in celebration of education during the Annual Education Luncheon at the Four Seasons Resort and Club on Oct. 29. Presented by the Irving Schools Foundation and the Greater Irving-Las Colinas Chamber of Commerce, the luncheon focused on the role teachers play in the lives of young people.

"The original mission of the foundation was to help teachers in the classroom," said Diana Pfaff, co-vice president of the Irving Schools Foundation. "The foundation helps teachers through classroom grants and teacher enrichment grants. These programs are funded through dollars that do not come through the school district.

"We felt like we were losing a little bit of focus on the teachers and raising funds for the teachers, because so much attention was

being focused on the scholarships, which are a huge portion of the foundation. That is why we came up with the fall luncheon.

"Irving is lucky to have a schools foundation as strong as we are. We were one of the first schools foundations in the state of Texas. We are the model of how other schools foundations are set up. The amount of money we are able to issue in student scholarships and teacher grants tops every district," she said.

Jerry Christian, the President of the IISD Board of Trustees, presented a short state of education address during the lunch.

"My perception is that the state of education in Irving is improving in effectiveness and continuing to operate very efficiently," Mr. Christian said. "Please consider these encouraging facts from 2007 - 2008. Irving ISD graduating seniors earned approximately \$31 million in scholarship offers.

On Advanced Placement (AP) exams, 691 students scored in the three to five range qualifying them to be considered for college credit for their courses. For the same AP exams, 107 Irving students were named AP Scholars. The results of TAKS testing for all student groups showed an increase in the percent passing in every subject area tested. Nine Irving schools achieved the Recognized rating in the state accountability system. That is a significant improvement over previous years. The student internship training experience at The Academy of Irving grew to include 107 students. It started just

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The packaged alcohol vote edged out the vote "NO" group allowing stores in Irving to sell beer and wine for off-premise consumption.

# Morocco offers the world to Irving businesses

By Jess Paniszczyn

Just saying the word 'Morocco' conjures up images of Ingrid Bergman and Humphrey Bogart immortalized in *Casablanca*. However, that outdated Hollywood image belies the complexity and vitality of a young nation brimming with 34 million people.

Through a series of events, the American Morocco Association of North Texas (AMANT) hoped to shine a 'Spotlight on Morocco' by introducing North Texas businesses to the opportunities available to expand their markets. To present the possibilities offered by Morocco to local businesses, AMANT hosted a luncheon with Morocco's Ambassador to the United States, Aziz Mekouar, at the Four Seasons on Nov. 1.

"We are trying to build good will and create a network, said Edward Retta of Cross Culture Communications. "There are opportunities for American business people to do business with Morocco and Moroccans.

"Morocco has been an ally of the United States for a very long time. Morocco is an Arab country that has been our friend. It was the first country to recognize the United States politically like in 1777. We have had treaties with Morocco longer than any other country. There is a long history between the U.S. and Morocco," he said.

Moroccan representatives issued an open invitation to all Irving businesses to explore the possibilities of doing business in Morocco. Located in North Africa and sharing the Strait of Gibraltar with Spain, Morocco offers a gateway to consumers in both Africa and Europe.

"Morocco has a long history of good relationships with the United States," said Ahmad

Yanouri, president of AMANT. "Recently in 2004 there was a free trade agreement signed between the United States and Morocco. Basically there are no tariffs between the two countries when exporting to Morocco or importing from Morocco. It gives great advantage to businesses that go to Morocco.

"Morocco's location is very strategic. It is on the tip of Africa,

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Kent Hance, Chancellor of Texas Tech University System

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# Police combat crime with towers

The City of Irving will have additional eyes in the sky as four new Sky Watch platforms are added to Irving's police program this fall, bringing the total number of platforms to seven.

Sky Watch platforms are 30-foot tall, mobile units that provide an aerial view of areas with potential for crime such as parking lots. Irving police and ICOPS can moni-

tor from the platforms 24 hours a day, and platforms can be relocated to areas that experience a spike in crime.

"We see an immediate reduction in car burglaries and auto thefts when a Sky Watch platform is deployed to a new area," said Assistant Police Chief Terry Zettle. "Each of the platforms is equipped with cameras that are capable of record-

ing the activities in the immediate area, so even when a police officer is not in a platform, crime is monitored."

The three Sky Watch towers currently in use are located at the Wal-Mart at State Highway 183 and Esters Road, Irving Mall at Belt Line Road and State Highway 183, and LA Fitness at 5550 N. MacArthur Blvd.

## POLICE & FIRE



**Assist IFD:** 11-01-08 at 10:00 a.m. A male in the 1100 block of Hidden Ridge called emergency services

due to the unresponsiveness of his female roommate. IFD transported the female to Baylor where she lapsed into a coma. The circumstances were suspicious and CID was notified to interview the roommate. After the interview, the male roommate turned up at the hospital, and he is now in a coma. Further investigation revealed a third person turned up at the hospital in

Eules were he was pronounced dead. A fourth person is at large and a regional teletype was issued for his well being.

**Aggravated Robbery:** 11-01-08 at 8:20 p.m. A Black male suspect wearing a ski mask, gloves and carrying a black automatic handgun entered the Auto Zone in the 600 block of N. Belt Line. The suspect made the two employees empty the three cash registers then open the safe obtaining an undetermined amount of cash. The suspect left by running from the rear door of the store.

**Squad Car Accident:** 11-02-08 at 4:42 a.m. Officer Hubbard driving vehicle 950 was responding to a major accident on east bound SH 114 between Belt Line and SH 161. An unknown vehicle collided with a utility/light pole. While in the area and still west bound Hubbard's vehicle as well as four citizens' vehicles collided with the light pole that had fallen into the east bound lanes. Hubbard was not injured and the damage to his vehicle is minor. The accident is being investigated by Sgt. Ripley.

**Aggravated Robbery:** 11-02-08 at 8:38 a.m. Two suspects were driving what appeared to be an old police vehicle (Crown Victoria) staged an accident by bumping the complainant. As they went to make contact, the suspects struck the complainant in the face and threaten him with a handgun, taking his black Lincoln Navigator.

**Aggravated Robbery:** 11-03-08 at 8:10 a.m. Two employees were working inside the Texaco in the 1300 block of E. SH 183. The suspect walked in and pointed some type of club wrapped with a towel and demanded their money and some cigarettes. He made them lay on the floor as he fled the scene.

**Aggravated Robbery:** 11-04-08 at 8:00 p.m. The suspect got into the victim's vehicle in the 2300 block of N. MacArthur and started to drive away. The victim confronted suspect as he was attempting to leave and tried to pull the suspect out of the vehicle. The suspect exited the vehicle and pointed a black pistol at the victim before running away and leaving the vehicle in the parking lot.

**Burglary of Habitation:** 11-05-08 at 10:40 a.m. Two suspects went to a house in the 3500 block of Bob-O-Link Street. They kicked in the door, and stole jewelry and guns. Responding officers knew of potential suspects living around the corner. They went to the apartment and knocked on the door. Two suspects attempted to flee the location. Follow-up resulted in CID getting a search warrant. Property stolen from at least three habitation burglaries in the area was recovered.

# ICTN's Producer retires



An era came to an end for the Irving Community Television Network (ICTN), when Executive Producer, Paul Wahlstrom, retired after 27 years of service. From ICTN's past and present friends, colleagues and associates wished farewell and good luck in his future endeavors. During the afternoon retirement reception, Paul received a microphone shaped award in honor of his many years of service. Pictured above, Norma Stanton, Laurie Kunke, Pat Nicks and Cathy Whiteman stand with Paul as they reflect on the changes coming to ICTN.

### Irving Fire Department

Activity summary Oct. 30 - Nov 5, 2008

Irving Fire Department responded to 287 incidents.

The Fire incidents	Medical calls
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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**November 8 from 9am - 3pm**

**Home Chemical Collection Day** - Home Chemical Collection Day will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Irving Mall (northwest corner behind Dillard's). Acceptable items include pool and yard chemicals, craft and hobby supplies, batteries (all types), automotive fluids and oil filters, paint and home repair products, household cleaners and chemicals and fluorescent light tubes. The free event is for Irving residents who provide proof of residency with a current driver's license and utility bill. For more information, call Solid Waste Services at 972-721-8059.

**November 8 from 10am - 5pm**

**Unite for Troops** - Porters Army and Navy store at 600 E. Irving Blvd, Irving, in combination with the USO and the city of Irving present the Unite for Troops (www.UniteForTroops.com) celebration from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The cost is free. The event is a collection point for care package items and children's books for the United Through Reading Military Program. The event honors veterans, past and present with tributes and entertainment throughout the day, as well as a very rare special fly over by military fighter jets. There will be activities and games for the kids as well as entertainment all day long including the Cutler family and culminating with a performance by the Joshua Experience, which has performed for the USO around the globe for over 40 years. Special guests for the event will include TX state Senator Chris Harris and State Rep. Linda Harper-Brown. Items needed are care package items such as cheese crackers, peanuts/mixed nuts, fruit bars, candy bars, etc. Also needed are travel pillows, disposable razors, batteries, playing cards. See the attached flyer for more complete details.

**November 8 from 10am - 5pm**

**Mustang Park Chess Tournament** - Tournament from 10 am to 5 pm for chess players ages 3 - 99 \$15.00 to enter tournament in the Mustang park Recreation Center, 2223 Kinwest Parkway. For more information call 214-448-5924.

**November 8 from 10am - 3pm**

**Housing Fair** - The Housing and Human Services Department invites Irving residents to the Raising the Roof: 2008 Housing Fair from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Northwest Recreation Center, 2800 Cheyenne St. Participants will enjoy vendors, entertainment and how-to workshops and housing-related displays. For more information, call the Housing and Human Services Department at 972-721-4800.

**November 8 from 10:00am - 3:00pm**

**Buli Cafe has Gone to the Dogs** - A pet adoption event for the D/FW Humane Society. Find a new best friend - or a best friend for your best friend. Buli Cafe is participating in the Cedar Springs business association sidewalk sale event and invited the D/FW Humane Society of Irving, Inc. to hold a mobile adoption/information booth 10:00 am - 3:00 pm at 3908 Cedar Springs, Dallas.

**November 8 at 5:30 pm**

**Spaghetti Supper** - Dinner begins at First United Methodist Church, 211 W. Third, at 5:30 p in the Family Life Center along with the Silent Auction from 5:30-6:30 p. Live Auction will be begin at 6:45 p. With the Centennial Year of the church being celebrated this year, 100% of the money will be given back to the church as a thank you for 100 years of service. All are welcome to join. Tickets may be purchased at the door Adults \$5/ Children \$2.50 with a family maximum of \$15. Cash or Checks only. Childcare is available if needed.

**November 8**

**Amit Peled from the Peabody Conservatory** - Presented by Irving Symphony Orchestra - Peabody Conservatory faculty cellist Amit Peled, one of the youngest and fastest rising cellists in the United States, will perform at 8 p.m. in the Carpenter Performance Hall. Performing Symphony No. 41 Jupiter by Mozart and Concerto for Cello and Orchestra in B Minor by Dvorak. \$36-50, 972-252-2787 for tickets. www.irvingartscenter.com.

**November 8-9 from 10:00 - 2:00pm**

**BEADFORLIFE** - The Women's Bible Study will sponsor a BEADFORLIFE event on from 10:00 - 2:00 and Nov. 9 from 12:30 - 2:00 at St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church, 1621 W. Grauwylter Rd, Irving. The event is an opportunity to learn more about and support impoverished Ugandan women, who are lifting their families out of poverty with their handmade, beaded jewelry. Based in North America and Uganda, BFL partners with women who make vivid beaded jewelry out of recycled paper. The 165 members of BFL support almost 3,000 others to climb out of poverty. More information can be found at www.beadforlife.org .

**November 8-9 from 12 - 8pm**

**Holiday Bazaar** - Handmade items from local vendors and Holiday crafts. Buy a Raffle Ticket and win a H20 Squirt Gun Car for the kids or a Makita Drywall Screw Gun for Dad. Big Silent Auction with donations from local restaurants, theaters, and stores. Join us for Soup Supper on Saturday evening - homemade entries will be judged and eaten between 6 and 8 pm. Breakfast and lunch on Sunday - our homemade tamales are the best. All takes place at St. Lukes Catholic Church at 202 S. McArthur in Irving Nov. 8th from 12 pm to 8 pm and Nov. 9 from 8 am to 4:30 pm.

**November 9-10 from 2 - 4 pm**

**Auditions** - ICT MainStage is holding auditions for *Sherlock's Last Case* by Charles Marowitz. Director - J. Alan Hanna. This diabolically funny play is sure to confound and please all audiences. It takes an amusing fresh look at the heroes, Holmes and Watson, adds the familiar figures of Inspector Lestrade, Mrs. Hudson, and the children of Professor Moriarty, and mixes them all with wit, humor and plot twists galore to make a first-rate whodunit. Nov. 9 2 - 4 pm Nov. 10 7 - 9 pm. At ICT Studio, 2333 Rochelle, Irving. Call for appointment 972-594-6104. Performance dates Jan. 16 - 31.

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Mrs. Hudson - 50's  
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**November 10 from noon - 1pm**

**Type 2 Diabetes Support Group** - Baylor Medical Center at Irving will host the Lunch Bunch Diabetes Support Group for people with type 2 diabetes from noon to 1 p.m., in the Howard Center at Baylor Irving, 1901 N. MacArthur Blvd. in Irving. Attendees should bring their own lunch. For more information, call 972-579-4350.

**November 10 from 6:30 - 8pm**

**Zonta International** - The DFW chapter of Zonta International has its meetings at the La Madeleine on Hwy 114. in Grapevine 6:30 PM - 8 PM. All professional women (and men) are invited to attend.

**November 10 at 7:30pm**

**Beta Sigma Phi** - The Beta Eta Master Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will have their monthly meeting at the home of Darlene Johnson on at 7:30 pm. The program will be presented by Wanda Pomroy. The theme for this year is "Rekindle the Torch of Friendship". For more information contact Wanda Dale at 972-254-1062.

**November 11 at 7:30pm**

**Irving Silvertones** - The Irving Silvertones will be presenting their annual Veterans day concert 7:30 p.m. at Oak View Baptist church 1004 S. Story. The concert is free and will honor America and salute all Veterans and military personnel who have served are currently serving our great country. The Irving Silvertones are asking for donations to the Unite For Troops being sponsored by Porters Army Navy store for those who choose to. Items requested are travel size shampoo/conditioner, foot powder, deodorant, tooth

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**November 12**

**Irving Music Teachers** - The Irving Music Teachers Association meeting will be held at the home of Sandra Davidson. The program will be "The House that George Built", a discussion about George Gershwin.

**November 13 from 2 - 7pm**

**Feast of Sharing** - Central Market's second annual Feast of Sharing celebration, a free Thanksgiving dinner celebration, from 2 to 7 p.m. at Fair Park's Centennial Building in Dallas. In addition to providing a hot meal, there are family activities and entertainment, too.

**November 13 from 4:30 - 6:00pm**

**Community Flu Shot Clinic** - Baylor Medical Center at Irving will hold a community flu shot clinic for adults (18 years and older) from 4:30-6:00pm in the East Lobby of Baylor Irving, 1901 N. MacArthur Blvd. The cost is \$15 (cash or check only). For more information, call 972-579-4095.

**November 13 at 7pm**

**Public Input Meeting** - Within the next few years, the City of Irving will build a museum in the Heritage District. To plan for a permanent facility, residents will have an opportunity to provide input on what the museum will entail. A public input meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 825 W. Irving Blvd. For more information, call 214-837-4295.

**November 14 at 10:00am**

**IRSPA** - The IRSPA will meet at 10:00 AM at the First Christian Church, 210 E. Sixth Street, Irving. Guest speaker will be Irving Superintendent Jack Singley. The organization is has almost reached it's goal of 300 members. If you are a retired school employee, join us to receive the latest information concerning your annuity and health insurance. Call 972-717-4213 for more information.

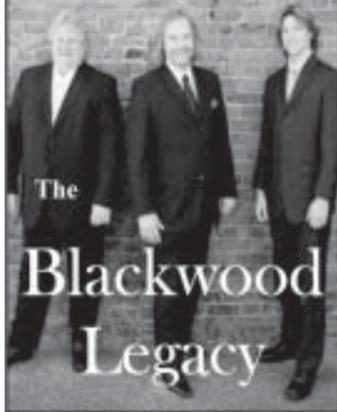
**November 14 at 7:30pm**

**Pavlo** - Presented by Entertainment Series of Irving - With ever-increasing popularity, Pavlo travels the world, entertaining audiences with his unique blend of jazz and Mediterranean sounds at 7:30 p.m. in the Carpenter Performance Hall, \$31, 972-252-2787 for tickets. www.irvingartscenter.com.

**November 15 at 8pm**

**Las Colinas Symphony Orchestra** - The Las Colinas Symphony Orchestra presents its 2008-2009 Season, "I Love Paris" at the Irving Arts Center. The season's concert J'aime Paris features arias and excerpts from famous operas set in Paris. All performances are at 8PM in Carpenter Hall. Single Tickets are priced at \$15, \$25, \$35, \$45 and all are available by telephone 972-252-4800, or email info@lascolinassymphony.org. For more information on the Las Colinas Symphony Orchestra visit www.lascolinassymphony.org.

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# OBITUARIES

## NETTIELEE METKER CARPENTER



Nettie Lee Metker Carpenter, 85, passed away on Nov. 1, 2008 in Irving.

She was born on Sep. 28, 1923 in Dallas County to Lee and Nettie Metker. Mrs. Carpenter was a resident of Irving most of her life. She was a 1941 graduate of Irving High School. She was a longtime prior member of Central Church of the Nazarene until her health began to fail. At that time, she went back to First Church of the Nazarene, her home church. She met and married Paul L. Carpenter in 1943 at First Church of the Nazarene in Irving.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Paul Carpenter and

daughter, Norma Kay Bransom. She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Marsha "Marti" and Larry "Andy" Anderson of Rowlett, son, Paul Carpenter, II of Gilmer, four grandchildren, and three great grandchildren.

Funeral Services were Nov. 06 at First Church of the Nazarene. Interment followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

## DOLORES ("BOOTS") STIEFEL



Dolores ("Boots") Stiefel, 74, passed away peacefully the evening of Nov. 1, 2008. Boots was born Mar 3, 1934 in Dallas.

Boots was a proud mother and

grandmother and all knew her love was unconditional. Along with her love for her family she enjoyed spending time with her devoted life long friends.

Graveside services were held on Nov. 5 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens, Irving. Following a loving tribute, Boots was laid to rest in the Garden of the Cross. Visitation was Wednesday at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home, Irving.

Survived by her children Darlene Jones of Venus, TX, Darwin Pipes and his wife Pattie of Scurry, TX, Debbie Jennings of Athens, TX and Michael Moore of Irving. Grandchildren Linda Patterson and husband Phillip, Douglas Britton-Davis and partner Marcus, Monica Randell, Micah Joe Thompson, Crystal Herring and husband Shane, Melissa Pipes, Deanna Parker and her husband Chris,

Mathew Pipes, Michael Moore and his wife Kathy and David Moore and wife Ashley, 22 great grandchildren and 5 great-great grandchildren. Sisters Alice Taylor and Glenna Ruth.

## BOBBY WAYNE ADKINS



Bobby Wayne Adkins of Irving passed away Nov. 4, 2008 in Irving.

He was born on Nov. 26, 1938 in Cookeville, TX. He worked as an Expeditor at LTV and enjoyed fishing, four wheeling and traveling.

He is survived by wife Abi Adkins of Irving; sons Dale Adkins of Katy, TX; Randall Adkins of Grand Prairie; daughter Kim Boykin and husband James of Glen Heights; son-in-law Terry Seale and wife Shawna of Lewisville; sisters Emma Ruth McIntosh of Florida; Jewel Inez Hailey of Red Oak, TX; Mary Nell Adkins of Duncanville; Shirley Ann Adcock of Venus, TX; 6 grandchildren; and 6 step-grandchildren.

The family received friends Thursday at the funeral home. Funeral services were held Nov. 7 at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Ken Parlin officiating. Interment followed at Hawkins Cemetery in Hawkins, TX with Rev. Don Majors officiating. If desired, memorial donations may be made to The American Cancer Society.

## MARISSA PAYTON PANNELL

Marissa Payton Pannell, of Grand Prairie, passed away Nov. 4. She was born Nov. 3, 2008 in Arlington.

Preceded in death by her maternal grandfather Edward Lozano, survivors include her parents Jeff and Patricia Pannell of Grand Prai-

rie; paternal grandparents Jim and Linda Lees; and maternal grandmother Mary Lozano.

Graveside services were held Nov. 7 at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens in Irving. Visitation was Friday before the service at Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

## JAMES G. "PETE" EVANS, JR.

James G. "Pete" Evans, Jr., of Irving, passed away Nov. 1, 2008.

He was born July 28, 1942 in Dayton, OH. He graduated from Irving High School in 1961. He retired from DFW International Airport as an aircraft fueller.

Preceded in death by parents Jim and Vera Newman Evans, and sister Kathleen Evans, survivors include children Mike Evans and wife Stephanie of Irving, Paul Evans and wife Debbie Pope of Colleyville, and Lisa Evans of Irving; sister Pam Parks and husband Mike Tomlinson; grandchildren Bethany, Ethan, David, Rachel, and Raven; nephews Jeff Parks and wife Vicki, and Aaron Parks; and great niece Ryleigh Parks.

Memorial services were held at his residence in Irving on Nov. 5.

## JOAN KAY PASEK

Joan Kay Pasek, of Irving, passed away Nov. 4, 2008.

She was born April 7, 1940 in Omaha, NE. She served in the US Navy, was a member of the Military Order of World Wars, MOAA, and Ikebana Int'l, Dallas Chapter, and was a volunteer with the North Texas Boston Terrier Rescue Club, and served on the board of directors of Lyric Stage in Irving.

Preceded in death by her twin brother John J. Becklun and half-brother Bob Smith, survivors include her husband Marvin Pasek of Irving; and half-brothers Brian Becklun, and John Smith.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Nov. 10 at DFW National Cemetery, 2000 Mountain Creek

## Reverend Roy F. George

Reverend Roy F. George was born in Heber Springs, AR on March 11, 1912, to William Wesley and Eliza Jane Warden George. He died peacefully of natural causes, Oct. 29, 2008, at home in Richardson at 96 years of age.

Roy, along with his parents, two brothers and 10 sisters, lived in Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas during his early years. The George family moved to Hamlin, TX in 1925. There he met the love of his life, Jimalee Scott, in 1933. Roy and Jimalee were married on Nov. 28, 1933, in the First Methodist parsonage in Hamlin.

The newlyweds moved to Haskell the week they married, and lived there until 1935. Soon after moving to Haskell, Roy received Jesus Christ as his Savior and made Jesus the Lord of his life. Roy and Jimalee joined the First Assembly of God in 1934, where they both were baptized in the Holy Spirit. Following their calling by the Lord into full-gospel ministry, Roy and Jimalee both received their ministerial credentials with the Assemblies of God.

The Georges planted and pastored churches in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and

California during their ministry of more than 70 years. Roy was known as a powerful, passionate preacher of God's Word. He was a man of fervent prayer who had a knack for revitalizing struggling churches. Roy and Jimalee returned to Haskell upon their retirement from pastoring in July, 1984. Jimalee preceded Roy in death in 2005, after almost 72 years of marriage.

Roy is survived by two sons and a daughter: Reverend R. Kenneth George, Assemblies of God District Superintendent, Albuquerque, NM, and his wife, Patsy; Dr. J. Don George, Lead Pastor of Calvary Church, Irving, and his wife, Gwen; Peggy Sims and her husband, Randy, Plano; eight grandchildren, eleven great-grandchildren and two sisters; Ethel Reed, Abilene, and Rudell Boiles, Hanford, CA.

Reverend Roy George will be remembered as a faithful husband, a loving father, a caring grandfather, a committed Christian, a serving pastor and a powerful man of prayer. The memories of his life and the legacy of his faith will live long in the hearts and minds of his family and parishioners. His rock-solid example of consis-



tent Christian service will provide inspiration for his three children who have followed him in ministry long after his departure from this life. Forever his memory will be cherished.

The George family hosted a visitation Nov. 3 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home in Irving. A Celebration of Roy's Life was Nov. 4 at Calvary Church in Irving. Burial followed at Oak Grove Memorial Gardens, Irving.

Officiating ministers were R. Kenneth George, J. Don George, Randy Sims, Kerry Jones and Garry Page.

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# Youth completes Eagle Scout Project

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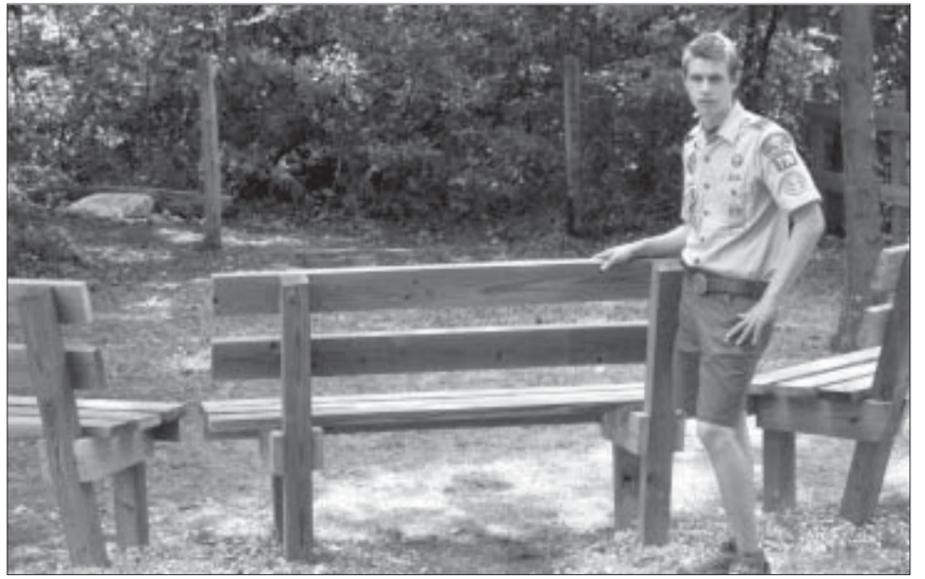
Cedar Ridge Preserve in Dallas is the place Kevin Carey, 17, chose to benefit for his Eagle Scout Project. Carey and a group of fellow Boy Scouts from the Irving St. Luke Catholic Church Troop 770 worked to build and install a fresh water supply for birds in the bird viewing area. They also constructed and installed three large benches for the comfort of bird watchers at the 630-acre preserve which has 10 miles of guided and self-guided wooded trails.

During Carey's trail to Eagle Scout, he has been on a high adventure trek to the Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico, the National high adventure BSA Sea Base in Florida and attended six summer

camp. His Scouting experience includes staffing as a junior helper at Western Star Day Camp at Camp Wisdom for four years; staffing the 2008 Dallas Catholic Scout Retreat and being on the summer staff at Camp Constantin.

Carey is a 12<sup>th</sup> grade student at North Hills Preparatory School. The son of Larry and Dianna Carey of Irving, he loves life and enjoys the outdoors being with Scout friends and sharing experiences with them. He is a member of the Order of the Arrow which is the National Honor Society for Boy Scouts of America.

More than 800 young men earn the rank of Eagle Scout every year in Circle Ten Council of Boy Scouts of America. For more information regarding Scouting, please contact District Executive Norberto Diaz at nodiaz@bsamail.org.



Kevin Carey shows off his Eagle Scout Service Project.

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## OBITUARIES

Pkwy. in Dallas. If desired, memorial donations may be made to any of her favorite organizations listed above. Arrangements made by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

**ROBERT (BOB) NELSON DITTERLINE**

Robert (Bob) Nelson Ditterline, grandson of the late Reverend John G. Ditterline; son of the late Reverend Dr. George R. and Lillie M. Ditterline; brother of the late Reverend Dr. C. Edward Ditterline passed peacefully in the early hours of Nov. 5, 2008.

Bob was born in Scranton, AR on March 17, 1931. He attended grade school in Arkansas and New Mexico and graduated in 1949 from Wink High School in Wink, TX. Bob received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1953 the field of Religious Education with a minor in voice from McMurray College in Abilene. He received his Master of Theology degree in 1955 from The Iliff School of Theology University in Denver.

Bob served the Methodist Church in a multitude of different capacities from 1950 through 1993.

Bob spent 25 years in The New Mexico Annual Conference and 18 years in The Nebraska Annual Conference. Over the years he served his parishioners in numerous ways to include ministering to others through the word of God and as a featured soloist; he preached revivals, participated in spiritual life missions, and spoke at youth meetings in Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, Nebraska and Washington. Bob hosted radio and television broadcasts as well as recording an album titled "Face to Face."

Bob was united in marriage with the former Ms. Dorothy Bess (Dottie) Jones of Dallas on Aug. 30, 1956. They spent 52 years in matrimonial bliss and raised two children within the sanctity of the Christian mission. Bob was an avid gardener, and could often be found working in his garden at home. He enjoyed spending Saturday afternoons fishing with his children and taking his family on camping vacations to the Black Hills of South Dakota or the mountains of Colorado.

Bob is survived by his wife Dottie, his son Gary W., daughter Sheri L. and her husband Randy,

granddaughter Chelsei and her husband Noah and great-granddaughter Madison.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Nov. 8 at First United Methodist Church in Irving. Interment will follow at Laurel Land Memorial Park in Dallas. Arrangements made by Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

**JIMMIE LEE EVILSIZER**

Mrs. Jimmie Lee Evilsizer died Tuesday in Dallas.



She was born Oct. 16, 1936 in Cedar Grove, OK, to Jimmie A. and Joyce ( Moore ) Pannell. She grew up in

Lawton, was a member of Central Baptist Church, and graduated from Lawton High School. She attended Oklahoma State University. She had worked for Civil Service and lived in Dallas and then Arizona, prior to moving to Mission Viejo, CA, where she retired.

She returned to Dallas and married Thomas Victor Evilsizer on Feb. 5, 1994 in Wichita Falls, TX. They resided in Lawton. He preceded her in death on May 31, 2005. She moved to Texas in 2006. She enjoyed art, decorating and fashion. She was fun to be around, was generous, kindhearted and had a wonderful sense of humor.

Her father and a daughter, Leslie Lynn Sidman, preceded her in death.

She is survived by a daughter and son in law, Jennifer and John Hepp, Irving; two grandchildren, Stephen Hepp, Lake Zurich, IL, and Michael Sidman, Tucson, AZ; a great granddaughter, Cayden Sidman; her mother, Joyce Pannell, Lawton; a sister and brother in law, Delores and Bobby Mansell, Lawton; and three nephews, Robert Mansell, Los Angeles, CA, Steven Mansell, Oklahoma City, and Perry Mansell, Lawton.

Graveside service for Jimmie Lee Evilsizer, 72, former Lawton resident, was Saturday in the Sunset Memorial Gardens. Burial will be under the direction of the Becker Funeral Home. An online guest book and sympathy cards are available at [www.beckerfuneral.com](http://www.beckerfuneral.com).

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# Citizens vote on beer and wine for off-premise consumption

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tion for high-end convenience stores and high-end grocery stores, and existing stores will expand their product line, and it will not just be alcohol. Higher-end meats and cheeses will be offered to complement the beers and wines stores can now stock.

"Major retailers such as Costco and Whole Foods will take notice that Irving is now a market that can compete with other areas where beer and wine sales are allowed.

"Any time voters choose, consumers benefit because now they can shop at home, they can reduce the number of trips they have to make and their tax dollars will remain in Irving supporting Irving citizens and city services."

There may be a slight delay before consumers see beer and wine for sale at their favorite convenience stores.

"Licensing usually takes 60 to 90 days, and stores must apply to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for the license," he said.

"The success stories in other jurisdictions following the approval of alcohol sales are always discounted, with opponents refusing to give credit for the increased economic activity that ensues. And, by the same token, the opponents will try to point to the election to lay blame for any problems that might arise.

"It will be interesting to see in two years where Irving is at."

Local businessman, G.M. Hashmani, owner of Mary's Service Center, believes increased revenues from alcohol sales will be one component in helping his business to survive.

"We are happy about the vote. We are planning to sell alcohol. I think alcohol sales will make a difference for a lot of businesses make

money and that will help the city of Irving. We run an auto business and we can't find the help. With a one man operation, it will be very easy to handle selling beer and wine. This will help us stay in business. Otherwise, we would be going out of business anyhow," Hashmani said.

"In the auto business, there is nothing left. Someone buys a new car with a 36 month, regular, free oil change, and a 100,000 mile, bumper to bumper warranty. So when will we fix the car? When the car is too old, people sell it as a used car for \$1,000. When a person buys a car for \$1,000, they cannot afford to fix the car. The repairs are more expensive than the worth of the car.

"There used to be electronics shops that would fix your television, video equipment, everything. Now you don't have those shops. You just use the electronics and trash it. The same thing will happen with cars. You will use it, trash it and buy a new one. They used to design the cars for 25 years. Now in Japan, you drive a car only four years or 50,000 miles, whichever comes first.

"This business does not have any future. We have to find something else. One thing will go out and something new will come into its place. We are getting too old also. After 40, it is very hard to work on a car. For me, it is not worth it any more."

Through three contentious alcohol elections, Mark Dyer has been at the center of the anti-alcohol movement.

"I am glad the vote was close, but I am disappointed that we lost," said Mark Dyer, a representative of Irving First. "Our folks worked very hard, and I am proud of them and their efforts. We ran a clean, strong campaign. We just came a few hundred votes short.

"Time will tell who is right on this issue. We have debated it back and forth. We've looked at their studies. We've done our own analysis. I think the tax revenue will not be significant, but will know in a couple of years. I don't see Irving experiencing some sort of economic boom as a result of alcohol sales."

As the sale of alcohol for off-premise consumption becomes commonplace in Irving, community leaders will need to begin working against the negative outcomes of ready alcohol to consumers.

"We also have to look at what we need to do to make sure some of the negative effects are controlled through extra police enforcement,

extra code enforcement, underage drinking stings, and stuff like that. We have to consider all those costs," he said.

"I am concerned about some of the areas in south Irving where retail outlets are located right next to parks, daycare centers, and areas of heavy apartment concentrations. I am worried that we will see panhandling. I am also concerned about establishments popping up or morphing into beer porches or beer windows. We just have to wait and see."

There is the possibility residents who do not approve of off premise alcohol sales will organize

a future vote to reverse alcohol sales in the future.

"If alcohol proponents are right and we are completely wrong, then I don't see it coming back. If we certainly see a negative impact, I think there will be some people who will want another vote to reverse the alcohol sales. It is too early to tell," Dyer said.

"The other side paid over \$100,000 to get their petition put together. It would be very difficult, but not impossible for volunteers to do that.

"I think we will see a big change in our grocery stores. There is only so much space in a grocery store. If you put an isle of beer and wine in, it will take the space for something else away. Something gets displaced from the shelf space.

"I think people will be surprised particularly in convenience stores by the type of advertising that will promote beer and wine sales."

During a forum on the alcohol vote in October, some business owners felt targeted by Irving First.

"I want to make it clear that our concern was the concentration of retail outlets that could sell beer and wine in south and central Irving. Not the business or business owners. We were not saying that any business owner is bad. Our concern was that having that many retail outlets selling alcohol was not a good thing. Not because these people are bad people, but because some of their locations are not where you would want an alcohol outlet, such as right next to homes, parks, or retirement centers," Dyer said.

## How did Irving Vote?

### Straight Party

Republican (REP)	15,472
Democratic (DEM)	17,708
Libertarian (LIB)	264

### President & Vice President

McCain / Palin (REP)	26,175
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### State Senator Dist 9

Harris (REP)	15,356
Willms (DEM)	15,902
Nulsen (LIB)	857

### State Representative Dist 105

Harper-Brown (REP)	19,830
Romano (DEM)	19,801
Baird (LIB)	1,059

### State Representative Dist 106

Wiegman (REP)	5,491
England (DEM)	5,689
Freeman (LIB)	345

### Sheriff

Cannaday (REP)	28,091
Valdez (DEM)	24,722

### Parkland Bond Election

For	39,097
Against	10,586

### Irving Local Option (Beer & Wine)

For	26,165
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"Through a partnership with the U.S.-Mexico Chamber of Commerce and our Chamber, we are proud to offer this multi-national assistance center as an important resource for the

Irving business community," said Chris E. Wallace, Chamber president/CEO. "Receiving this award validates the Chamber's vision which is to be an industry leading organization and promotes our mission which is to support the growth of businesses in Irving. Given the global economy in which we all operate, it is important for us to help our local companies expand their presence in foreign countries. This Center enhances the business development focus of Irving's Sister Cities International program, which meets the goals of the City and Chamber," Wallace added. Bicultural internationalist and Latin American specialist, Joe Chapa, the current vice president of operations for the U.S.-Mexico Chamber of Commerce, will oversee the center's activities,

which will include trade missions, "business matchmaking" initiatives, and information and training seminars. Chapa works in partnership with the Chamber's Director of International & Legislative Affairs, Michael Burlison.

"I look forward to leveraging my extensive international experience, garnered from an 18-year career with Mobil Oil Corporation, for the benefit of businesses both in Irving and abroad," said Chapa. "Irving is an international city, and there is tremendous potential to attract foreign businesses here, as well as assist our local companies to enter new markets abroad. Ultimately, we hope to be the go-to resource for businesses on the path of globalization."



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## BIZ BRIEFS

A business activity report by the Irving Economic Development Partnership.

#### BELL NAMED CFO OF THE YEAR

Jana Bell, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for EF Johnson Technologies Inc, has been named Small Public Company CFO of the Year by the Dallas Business Journal. Bell had to completely rebuild the accounting team when the company relocated from Waseka, MN to Irving and has been instrumental in nearly tripling the company's revenue since the move less than 5 years ago. Additionally, EF Johnson Technologies celebrates their 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary and was recognized as a Tech Titan growth company based on its revenues over the recent 5-year period.

#### RIM 2008 MOMENTUM AWARD WINNER

Irving-based Research In Motion, the BlackBerry company, was recognized by the Dallas Regional Chamber with a coveted Momentum Award for the relocation of its US headquarters to Las Colinas. RIM is a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of innovative wireless solutions for the worldwide mobile communications market. RIM is bringing approximately 1,000 jobs to Las Colinas.

#### D/FW AIRPORT & SHANGHAI ENTERAGREEMENT

Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport has entered into an agreement with Shanghai Airport Authority which will form an alliance to connect their airports and regions through trade opportunities. The agreement provides for the airports to work on projects from direct air links to sharing of information related to airport security and environmental protection.

#### HANSON PIPE & PRECAST EMPLOYEE HONORED

Joe Lundy, Director of Structural Product Design with Irving-headquartered Hanson Pipe and Precast has been awarded the Merlin G. "IB" Spangler Award by the American Society for Testing Materials International. The award honors members who have changed or made additions to standards in the concrete pipe industry.

#### ALLSTATE LAUNCHES \$100,000 GRANT AIMED AT TEENS

Allstate Insurance has launched a \$100,000 grant in a Signature Partnership with SAVE - Students Against Violence Everywhere. The focus of this program will be a series of summits to focus on safe teen driving. Fifteen to sixteen teens die everyday in car crashes and this grant will provide resources to create a student-run, grass roots movement to influence positive driving habits among teens.

#### NEW BUSINESS IN THE HERITAGE DISTRICT

Brian Guidry, a retired Irving police officer, and his wife Cindy have opened a new retail business in the Heritage District. It's a Leather Ministry is located at 116 S. Jefferson Street. The business features Christian motorcycle apparel and accessories including jewelry, t-shirts and youth accessories. They also do leather repair.

#### DALLAS-FORT WORTH MOST STABLE HOME PRICES

As contained in the S&P/Case-Shiller home price index, the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex has the most stable residential prices of any metropolitan area in the United States. Home prices in North Texas fell by 2.7% between August 2007 and August 2008, the lowest decline. Dallas-Fort Worth was followed by Charlotte, NC and Boston at 4.7% decline. Phoenix had the worst home price decline at 30.7%.

#### NOVEMBER 19, 2008

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#### NOVEMBER 8 UNITE FOR TROOPS

Porter's Army-Navy Store at 600 E. Irving Boulevard will be the location for the Veterans Day celebration, Unite For Troops, where Steve and Cindy Porter will be collecting items to benefit our deploying soldiers. For more information, contact the Porters at 972-579-1155, or visit [www.unitefortroops.com](http://www.unitefortroops.com).

#### IRVING ROTARY CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Irving Rotary Club will host their annual fundraising golf tournament, November 10, Las Colinas Country Club. For additional information and a player registration form, contact Brian Smith at 972-254-1521 or Don Jensen at 214-277-9886. Proceeds will be used for IISD student scholarships, school supplies for needy students, Rotary Readers and other programs and projects.

#### MUSEUM COMMUNITY INPUT

The City of Irving and the Museum Advisory Board will host a meeting November 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm at City Hall in the Council Chambers, to receive public input regarding a museum in the Heritage District of Irving. Input may also be provided on-line at [www.cityofirving.org](http://www.cityofirving.org), under the "Public Input Opportunities" section on the home page.

#### LAS COLINAS STILL NUMBER 1 IN OFFICE PARK SPACE

In a survey by the Dallas Business Journal, Las Colinas has been recognized again as the largest Metroplex Office Park based upon square footage of space.

#### PHISHING ATTACK USING BBB

The Better Business Bureau is alerting consumers and businesses about a phishing scheme that uses both e-mail messages and blog posts direct-

ing recipients and viewers to register software with BBB. The BBB wants the public to know that such messages and posts are not coming from any element of the BBB System, and that this attack has not affected BBB computer systems or networks nor has any data been comprised.

#### FINANCIAL TIMES OF LONDON RANKS TEXAS FIRST

The Financial Times of London has ranked Texas first as the state with the ability to weather the current economic downturn. The newspaper's rankings were influenced by Texas' employment growth rate, state product growth, personal income growth rate, and home foreclosure rate. The Financial Times analyzed all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

#### DALLAS COWBOYS PARTNER IN LEGENDS HOSPITALITY

The Irving-based Dallas Cowboys have partnered with the New York Yankees as well as Goldman Sachs and private equity firm CIC Partners to form a new company, Legends Hospitality Management LLC. The new company will focus on consolidating and overseeing sports business management services at major sports facilities, including the new Cowboys Stadium next season.

#### JPI NAMES DIRECTOR

Karla Martin has been named director in the Irving corporate office of JPI Resident Solutions. JPI specializes in the acquisition, development and management of residential communities in the US and Canada.



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# Texas' first Aloft Hotel opens in Las Colinas

Provided by Barb Worcester

A partnership of Aimbridge Hospitality, Hillwood, Champ Hospitality and JF Capital Partners opened the first of three Dallas-area Aloft hotels at a ribbon-cutting ceremony last week. This lifestyle brand from Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide brings style to Dallas-area visitors and local residents by giving them a fun way to play and stay. Two additional Aloft Hotels will open in Plano and Frisco over the next 40 days.

The Aloft Las Colinas is located at 122 E. John Carpenter Freeway / Texas Highway 114. The hotel offers a sensory experience, with 136 loft-like rooms featuring nine-foot ceilings and oversized windows to create a bright, airy environment. It features the wxyz<sup>SM</sup> bar, re:mix<sup>SM</sup> communal lounge, re:charge<sup>SM</sup> fitness center, splash indoor/outdoor pool with backyard, and re:fuel by Aloft<sup>SM</sup> one-stop food-and-beverage area.

"On behalf of Aimbridge Hospitality and our joint venture partners Hillwood, Champ Hospitality

LP, and JF Capital Partners we are delighted to welcome everyone to Texas' first Aloft Hotel," said Ryan Miyamoto, Aloft Las Colinas General Manager. "Not only will this lifestyle hotel shake things up in Irving with its urban-influenced design, accessible technology, style and social atmosphere, but it will bring new life, excitement, and recognition to Las Colinas.

"This hotel is the vision of Hillwood Chairman Ross Perot Jr. who is of the belief that hotels can represent change. Today we are delivering change to Las Colinas with Aloft."

Hillwood, a Dallas-based real-estate development company, brought the first Starwood W Hotel to Texas at Victory Park.

"This is an exciting day for North Texas," Perot said. "The W at Victory Park is the most successful hotel in Dallas, and we are confident that Aloft . . . will be just as lucrative. This project was part of a greater master plan of Las Colinas, and we would like to thank the city for its support and look forward to

the program's success."

Irving Mayor Herbert Gears presented a Certificate of Occupancy to hotel developer Joe Champ. The Mayor also presented Miyamoto with a commemorative plaque.

"It's a great day," Mayor Gears said. "We promised to be first to bring Aloft to Texas and we did it! This hotel is a true complement to

our community, to business travelers, and to Irving residents."

Paul Sacco, Starwood Senior VP of Global Development, said he is thrilled to see the vision of the Aloft Las Colinas come to fruition.

"This Aloft represents what we at Starwood do best – reinvigorate and re-energize the guest experience," Sacco said. "On behalf of Starwood Hotels & Resorts I would

like to thank all of our valued partners and the city of Irving for helping us to bring this 'New Twist in Travel' to Texas."

The event concluded with hotel staff raising the flag to signify that the Aloft Las Colinas is open for business. Reservation lines are open by visiting [www.alofthotels.com](http://www.alofthotels.com) or calling 1-877-GO-ALOFT.

## Morocco's Ambassador visits Irving

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seven miles from Europe. It is a six hour flight from the United States. Merchandise arrives in seven days by boat.

"Many American companies build manufacturing facilities in countries like China and Mexico and then export their goods to other countries. There are great opportunities to build similar facilities in Morocco, because it is very easy to export goods anywhere. Europe represents a very big market, as does the Arab world.

"Morocco also has free trade agreements with Europe, many Arab countries, African countries and Turkey. This offers American companies in Morocco a market of about one billion people to sell to.

"The Moroccan government is trying to entice businesses to go to Morocco through tax breaks. Some companies get five or ten years with no taxes.

"Labor in Morocco is much cheaper than in the United States. You can hire qualified people with degrees in the Moroccan workforce for a fraction of what untrained labor costs here. Almost everybody in Morocco speaks French. A lot of people speak Spanish. And now English is becoming the favorite language there."

Morocco's natural resources have captured the imagination of tourists looking for bargains as well as adventure.

"The tourism business is booming because of Morocco's location. I think each year about seven million tourists visit Morocco. About five years ago, only two million tourists visited each year.

"Morocco has mountain resorts. We have almost 300 miles of the Mediterranean, and 500 to 600 miles of the Atlantic, so there are beautiful beaches. Marrakech is an exotic city where the weather in May is sometimes 100 degrees, if you drive 20 miles, you are in the snow. Looking from the city, you can see the snow on the mountain. It is really beautiful and a lot of tourists are coming."

In an effort to help the people of Morocco through education, Faouzi Chaabi and his family are working to build a new university.

"We are going to give 10 percent of our income to the university to educate Moroccan youth. Education is our principle lack," Mr. Chaabi said. "We don't have natural resources such as petrol like other people do.

"The problem is we have been colonized by France and Spain until 1956. When we were liberated, we had a population of more than 90 percent who didn't know how to read and write. So we had to construct schools. This is a very difficult thing to do. We still have people who do not go to school or who

cannot follow in the school. We are struggling with providing schools for poor people, especially in the rural areas.

"Another problem we have is continuing to educate people after high school. Some students go to private colleges where the subject taught is very specific like business administration, management or architecture. We also have our state owned universities that teach medicine, pharmacy or law.

"What we want to do is to have a private university where everybody can come. We will choose maybe 30 to 40 percent of the students from poor families. They will not pay, but they are selected because of their minds. Their costs will be charged to the foundation. Another third will pay with credit and loans from the banks. Another third to 40 percent will pay normally.

"This will allow us to have 1,000 graduates each year."

Top universities in both America and Morocco will serve as models for the new university the Chaabi family hopes to build.

"The American system is very good. In the main university, you can have many, many, many various specialties.

"My daughter just started this year at New York University. She is considering medical, engineering, physiology or marketing. This is

wonderful. She can decide even after six months. This is something your universities have that we don't have in Morocco," he said.

"The first university founded by King Hassan II with the King of Saudi Arabia is called 'Al Akhaway Univeristy.' It is a small university, but excellent.

"We hope to do the same sort of thing building a larger university. To create this university is a sacrifice. Just to construct this university we will pay 10 percent of our wealth. For running the university every year, we will give 10 percent of our income.

The only effective way to fight terrorism is through education, according to Mr. Chaabi.

"Our main problem is education. Don't give me money. Don't give me petrol. Give me the possibility to educate people. With education, you will never have terrorism. What happens now in many countries is extremists lack culture and education. When people don't go to school and they meet somebody who tells them that if they will explode something and then for sure they will go to Paradise. The people believe what is said because they are not educated.

"The American government has to help us in this way. The only things we need are partnerships to help us educate people," he said.

## Dinner raises funds for special kids

By Jess Paniszczyn

The Yellow Rose Ambucs presented their 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner Auction Fundraiser at Whiskey Charlie's in the AirHogs' Stadium on Oct. 25.

Amid the excitement of the night's events, three year old Carolina Jaramillo received an Amtryke. As she eagerly attempted to ride the tricycle, her five year old brother, Alejandro, tried to help her by guiding her hands onto the handlebars.

"This is our largest fundraiser

of the year," said Charlotte Chism Waldrum, president of the Yellow Rose Ambucs. "We are raising money to purchase Amtrykes, which are therapeutic tricycles for children with disabilities. The money also goes to provide scholarships for physical, occupational and speech therapists.

"We had a good turnout and a great time. It takes a lot of people working together to host an event like this, and that is a big part of what the Yellow Rose Ambucs are about."



Ready to ride, Carolina Jaramillo (3) gets a little help from dad, Jorge, as she tries to ride her Amtryke for the first time.

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# Texas cities, counties vote for alcohol sales

Texas citizens voted in favor of alcohol sales in "dry" cities and counties on Nov. 4, the latest in a statewide trend toward modernizing liquor laws in their areas.

"These Election Day victories represent a big win for the Texas hospitality industry, consumers and local governments," said Ricky Knox, president of the Texas Hospitality Association (THA), noting the election results are part of a growing trend among voters to approve alcohol sales in order to meet the demands of today's consumers.

Knox said both residents and local governments are willing to modernize their alcohol laws to increase revenues and economic activity while providing added consumer convenience.

The following towns or counties – the majority in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex and West Texas – elected to allow the sale of alcohol in some form: Irving, Fort Worth,

Southlake, Leon County, Lorena, Weatherford, Greenville, Malakoff, Waxahachie, and Childress County.

With this societal shift in attitudes toward alcohol sales, Knox said there is a corresponding "responsibility to make every effort to ensure that minors do not have access to alcohol and that underage drinking is curbed."

Knox offered THA's help in that effort.

"Our organization will take the lead in the new areas that have approved alcohol sales to make sure training and educational information is made available to the hospitality industry to prevent underage drinking. THA wants to make sure everyone knows the law," Knox said.

The Texas Hospitality Association is a non-profit association whose members sell and serve adult beverages in Texas.

THA's mission is to encourage

the responsible sale and service of adult beverages, and to fight underage drinking. THA endorses responsible marketing practices that include: the promotion of aggressive identification requirements and

the strict enforcement of Texas alcohol laws.

## Luncheon honors the work of teachers

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five years ago with 30 students being involved.

"Irving is one of the few school districts in the state that has not increased property taxes to the referendum maximum allowed by law. It is a difficult thing not to have done given the inflationary nature of our current economic situation.

"Teachers salary schedules improved a lot this year to help us recruit and retain the very best teachers. The turn-over rate was reduced from 19 percent last year to 15 percent this year.

"We have a very supportive community. We especially appreciate the more than 200 business partners that chose to become directly involved with schools or with a specific program," he said.

Kent Hance, Chancellor of Texas Tech University System, served as the afternoon's featured speaker.

"There is a study, Closing the Gap, in Texas. It is about trying to close the gap to get more people into college, more people doing well in public education. There is national study called Diploma to Nowhere. In both of these studies the one thing they really touch on is students going to college who have to take remedial courses, because they are not well prepared. At our community colleges in the state of Texas, 60 percent of students have to take at least one remedial course. In our four year colleges, 30 percent of students have to take remedial courses. That number would be a lot higher if it weren't for some of the institutions that push that number down. In Oklahoma, 80 percent of the kids who go to community college have to take remedial courses. In Indiana, its 70 percent.

"So we face some tough times in making sure that the kids are well prepared. Fifty-nine percent of remedial students in college thought high school was easy. So 80 percent of the kids in remedial courses at community college or at senior college had a B average in high school. We really have to look at what we are doing," Hance said.

With the help of the business community and schools foundations, school districts can do extra things for students and teachers, which can impact the quality of education students receive.

"Irving has a foundation. There are a tremendous number of places that don't have a foundation. It's the extra that makes you a little bit better. The extra money helps you do things, and the extra money for scholarships helps your students to go to college. It helps them to get a good education. It helps them to become citizens who will put back into the system, and that is so important," he said.

Students come from a variety of different backgrounds and situations. The influence of supportive parents and inspiring teachers cannot be minimized in creating quality education.

"The number one contributing factor for success in public education is the parent. All of them should be involved in education. We can't forget those who don't have a

good home life. Because they really need our help. They really need our inspiration," Hance said.

"One day I had a kid come up and tell me his parents were the original illegal aliens. I said, 'well, I don't know about that. Your mom and daddy might be old in your opinion, but they are not that old.'

"His parents had come from Mexico. One was a cook, the other was a dish washer in Lubbock. This kid is 24, and he graduates in December. He has worked his way through Tech, he has not borrowed money, and that is why it has taken him a little longer. He wants to teach high school history.

"The one sitting next to him came up the next week. He said, 'My granddaddy says ya'll are good friends.'

"I said, 'Who's your granddad?'

"He said, 'Jim Baker.'

"I said, 'Jim Baker?'

"He said, 'James A. Baker.'

"I said, 'Secretary of State under Bush. Secretary of the Treasury under Reagan. Chief of Staff under Reagan?'

"He said, 'That's PawPaw.'

"These two kids were friends.

Only in America can you have one kid whose parents wash dishes and cook. He is getting educated, and he is sitting next to a kid whose granddad knows every leader in the world. That is because we believe in education in this country.

"You don't know where the next kid you're going to help is going to wind up some day. That is the beautiful thing about this country. That is the beautiful thing about the Irving School District and the Irving Schools Foundation," he said.

## Sports Briefs

By Lotis Butchko  
Nimitz - Bye week

**MacArthur – 37**  
**South Grand Prairie – 38**

A failed kick in over time doomed MacArthur Friday night at the Gopher-Warrior Bowl. MacArthur and South played a good defensive game. MacArthur held the Warriors to just 10 first downs.

MacArthur running back James Sims ran for 113-yards and three touchdowns, also he caught a 32-yard pass from Quarterback Michael Brooks.

Not to be out done South Running back Tyrus McGlothen ran for 137-yards two touchdowns and a 32-yard touchdown pass from Quarterback Aaron Gautney.

Turnovers hurt both teams, MacArthur fumbled twice and lost both, while South fumbled six times and only lost two.

MacArthur faces Irving next week for a playoff spot.

**Irving – 21**  
**Duncanville – 42**

The Irving Tigers (4-5) lost their third straight game losing to the Duncanville Panthers (6-4) Friday night at Irving Schools Stadium.

However Irving Quarterback Jercolby Bradley tried to lead his team to a victory by putting on big performance. He had all but three yards of rushing for the Tigers, and threw two touchdowns.

Junior Wide Receiver Winford Tennell caught an early touchdown pass and J.J. Thompson caught a fourth quarter touchdown pass.

Duncanville quarterback Divan Ealy dominated the game, by throwing for four touchdowns and breezing through the Irving secondary with 232-yards passing.

**Carrolton Newman Smith – 16**  
**Royse City – 24**

Newman Smith (2-7) fell at home again, as Royse City (6-3) scored early and often.

Royse City Quarterback Richard Morrison threw for 231-yards and 3 touchdowns taking a early lead in the game.

As well as Royse was in the air, there run game was stammered to a measly 29-yards rushing.

Newman Smith didn't score until the fourth quarter, when wide receiver Al Lasker caught two late touchdowns.

**Volleyball –**

As playoffs have started, only Macarthur has made it to the playoffs.

On Nov. 4 Macarthur faced volleyball powerhouse Plano West. Losing the match three sets to zero.

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Tuesdays 7:00 p.m.

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# Silverado Senior Living named one of Texas' best workplaces

Provided by Audrey Knoth  
Silverado Senior Living, which has operations in Irving, has been honored as offering one of the top workplaces in Texas. The recogni-

tion comes from the Best Companies to Work for in Texas 2009 program, which selected 100 organizations statewide based on the quality of the employee experience and

on workplace policies and practices. The program is a project of Texas Monthly, the Texas Association of Business, the Texas State Council of the Society for Human

Resource Management, and Best Companies Group.  
"We're very pleased to be recognized as one of the best employers in Texas," said Loren B. Shook,

Silverado Senior Living's CEO, president and board chairman. "Silverado's mission is to provide life-affirming care to those with Alzheimer's disease and other memory-impairing conditions. Offering our associates an outstanding workplace and a rewarding career path is integral in providing superb care to our residents, clients, and patients. This honor reaffirms that we are succeeding at this vital mission."

Silverado Senior Living operates Silverado Senior Living - Valley Ranch in Irving. Additionally, Silverado provides home care, care management, and hospice care. Its Texas workforce numbers nearly 700.

## Mungles on Movies

By Matt Mungle

Title: *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*

Rated: PG-13

There are certain points in history that need constant retelling or they may sadly lose their significance and fade away. The Holocaust is one such event.

## The innocence of a child in contrast to the ignorance of a nation

Even today I have to wonder how many young people are unaware of what took place and how easy it could be to repeat our mistakes if we are not careful. The new film *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* is a decent reminder of history in that *Diary of Anne Frank* way. It tells the story simply, though at times harshly, through the eyes of

a young boy who has a hard time making sense of it all. No matter how many times I watch films or read books that are based on any type of racial discrimination I have to shake my head and try to make sense of it all as well. The only thing scarier and more disappointing than these events is the thought that it could be happening again, somewhere, even now.

Bruno (Asa Butterfield) is an eight year old boy whose father is a commandant in the German army. When his family is transferred to their new home so his father can oversee one of the concentration camps, Bruno has many questions as to why things are the way they are. When he strikes up a friendship with a young Jewish boy, Shmuel (Jack Scanlon), he becomes even more conflicted between what is right and what he is being taught. As Bruno talks to those Jewish people who work outside the camp he is naïve in a way that would be humorous if it wasn't so devastatingly informative. It is moving to see the shame on the faces of adults at the pure questions of an innocent child.

As I watched this film, I could still not wrap my head around the attitude that the Germans had toward the Jewish people. The hatred that was bred into the children through teachers and propaganda or the way that human life was degraded to that of animals, all out of fear and ignorance, is always mind blowing. The idea of seeing this film through the eyes of an eight year old helps in the message. It gives you a chance to see it from a new, fresh perspective. The innocence of a child in contrast to the ignorance of a nation.

Granted this is no *Schindler's List*. It watches like the book reads. Simply but poignantly. It does not candy coat the facts or try and paint it in calm colors. But at the same time it does not force its anger. It allows it to happen. You see how different family members of Bruno's accept and react to the situations around them. I am sure there were many Germans who were against these actions.

*The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* is rated PG-13 for some mature thematic material involving the Holocaust. Though the book is for all ages the film may be quite disturbing to those 11 and under. Where the book allows you to visualize only what you want or need to, the movie puts it there in stark realism. I give it a solid 4 out of 5 fences.

*Matt is a member of the North Texas Film Critics Association (NTFCA) and hosts the weekly syndicated Indie Rock Radio Show Spin 180. Plus with his wife Cindy they do a weekly radio feature, The Mungles on Movies. For additional reviews and interview clips visit www.mungleshow.com.*

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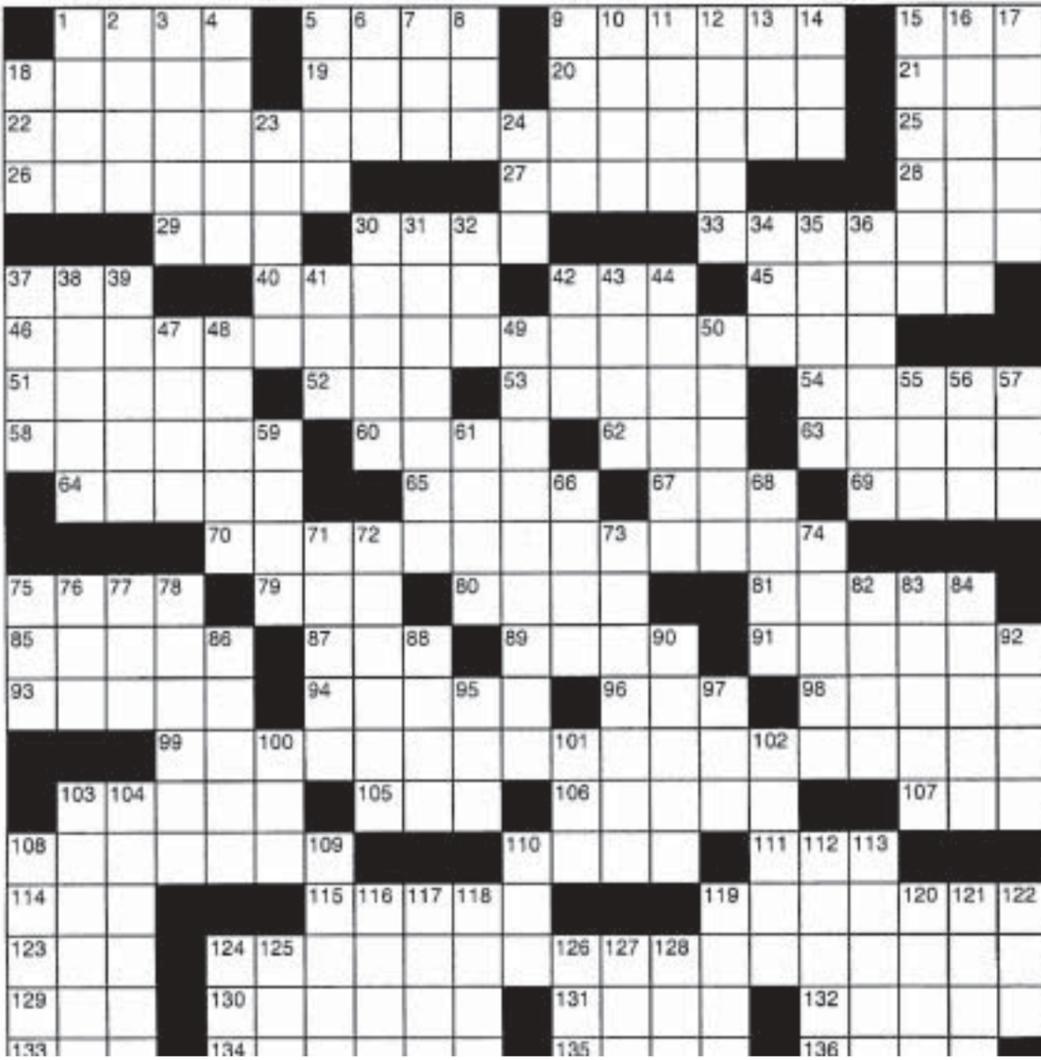
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  - 63 Night noise
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  - 136 Incites Rover
  - 5 Out-of-this-world org.
  - 6 Hosp. area
  - 7 Pen point
  - 8 Commotion
  - 9 Auto pioneer
  - 10 Eaves dropper?
  - 11 "Rule, Britannia" composer
  - 12 "The — of a Clown" ('70 song)
  - 13 PA hours
  - 14 Buck's beloved
  - 15 Put on
  - 16 Deep gorge
  - 17 Persona
  - 18 Peter out
  - 23 Montezuma, for one
  - 24 "The Wind in the Willows" critter
  - 30 Pansy part
  - 31 Junk
  - 32 Sault — Marie, MI
  - 34 — Cob, CT
  - 35 Jumps on the ice
  - 36 Catalogue
  - 37 Trauma aftermath
  - 38 Sharpened a skill
  - 39 Change
  - 41 Certain line-men: abbr.
  - 42 Surprised sounds
  - 43 Reacts to fireworks
  - 44 "Martha" composer
  - 47 89 Across output
  - 48 Vote in
  - 49 Like some beaches
  - 50 Practice piece
  - 55 Runner Sebastian
  - 56 Age
  - 57 Augsburg article
  - 59 Manhattan area
  - 61 Writer MacDonald
  - 66 Disembarked
  - 68 Punta del —
  - 71 Coming from Cork
  - 72 Nervous —
  - 73 Literary collection
  - 74 Roberts or Tucker
  - 75 You can retire on it
  - 76 "Ab —" (from the start)
  - 77 DC figure
  - 78 Nook's companion
  - 82 Strike-breaker
  - 83 Innsbruck's locale
  - 84 Boredom
  - 86 Tend the fire
  - 88 Expect back
  - 90 Major artery
  - 92 Word form for "bone"
  - 95 Conceit
  - 97 Dundee denial
  - 100 Pine product
  - 101 UN Day month
  - 102 Splendid
  - 103 "Good Night —" (1853 song)
  - 104 USNA anthem word
  - 108 First dog in space
  - 109 Relish
  - 110 Claire or Balin
  - 112 Alphabet sequence
  - 113 Neighbor of Oahu
  - 116 Surrender
  - 117 Ready for business
  - 118 Be still
  - 119 Component
  - 120 Pres. Bush, e.g.
  - 121 Converse competitor
  - 122 Pig's digs
  - 124 Fold over
  - 125 "Sat — tuffet ..."
  - 126 Machine part
  - 127 Language suffix
  - 128 Tackled a taco

**DOWN**

- 1 Singer Guthrie
- 2 Fiber source
- 3 Theatrical salesman
- 4 Actress Verdugo

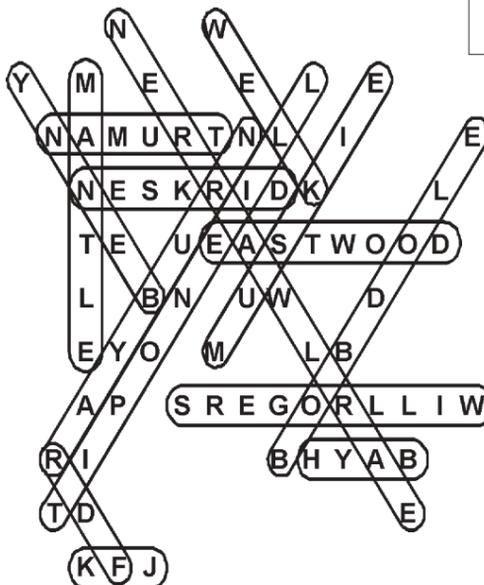


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2	5	3	6	8	9	1	4	7
9	1	8	4	7	3	5	2	6
3	6	9	2	5	4	7	1	8
8	7	5	3	1	6	2	9	4
1	2	4	8	9	7	3	6	5

**ComParrot** by Bonnie J. Malcolm  
 Can you spot 12 differences between these pictures?



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Solution: 1. Pocket on girl's pants is missing. 2. Man's tie appears. 3. Leaf on monument is missing. 4. Pocket on lady's coat is colored in. 5. Toe on girl's shoe is colored in. 6. Leaf behind man is colored in. 7. Medals on lady's sleeve have moved. 8. Grass behind lady has moved. 9. Badge on sleeve is upside down. 10. Flag stick is longer. 11. Lady's shirt is longer. 12. Flag is larger.

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 S T S L Q L E O P N N L K I D  
 G I R H I V N T I F E C B R A  
 A E Z M R I O N T O N I P A C  
 M Y E U P T E N R E B A C C S  
 A S O W C H A R D O N N A Y U  
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

- Carignan
- Chardonnay
- Chenin Blanc
- Cinsault
- Clairette
- Gamay
- Grenache
- Merlot
- Mourvedre
- Muscadelle
- Pinot Gris
- Pinot Noir
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- Ugni Blanc

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# Irving celebrates Halloween in many ways



## Company raises funds with casual dress

Provided by Amber Bagwell

In the wake of Hurricane Ike, the Irving office of Fresenius Medi-

cal Care held a "Blue Jean Friday" with every employee sauntering into the clinics with their tried and true

"blues" donating \$5 – bringing in a donation of \$516 to the Employee Disaster Relief Fund.

"I would like to extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to our FMCNA disaster response team and our many volunteers from Fresenius Medical Services for their tireless efforts to support our patients, physicians and employees," said Bryan Lipinski, President of Fresenius Medical Care's SWBU. "Our teams of caregivers and affiliated physicians working in the affected areas of Hurricane Ike have demonstrated enormous dedication and commitment to our patients and continue to do so with donations of this kind and much more."

Fresenius Medical Care North America's (FMCNA) national network of services coordinated a major mobilization effort to provide dialysis machines, supplies, generators, food and water, clothing, fuel and staffing, not only for the benefit of its own patients, but also for other dialysis providers, to ensure continuous treatment for all patients affected by Hurricane Ike.

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