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## BJ's is closing

BJ's NXS, a gay bar on Fitzhugh Avenue, is closing on Aug. 25 after losing its lease.

Owner Ron Adams said he offered double the rent to stay open through the end of the year but the landlord refused. Another offer to remain open through Pride weekend was also rejected.

Adams told his employees about the closing at a meeting on Wednesday, July 26. He has made arrangements with Throckmorton Mining Company.

"A lot of our staff is going there to keep Trashy Tuesdays alive," he said.

The property is being sold but plans for it are unclear. Adams said architects have been by and he is not sure whether the building will be renovated and rented or if it will be torn down and replaced.

That space has housed a gay bar for decades and has been known as BJ's NXS since 2009. The bar will close at 10 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 25.

— David Taffet

## Trump bans transgender people from military service

Less than a month after Defense Secretary Jim Mattis announced he was delaying plans to allow transgender people to enlist openly in the U.S., President Trump has taken to Twitter to announce that transgender people will not be allowed to serve "in any capacity."

In a series of tweets posted on Wednesday, July 26, shortly before 8 a.m. EST, Trump announced: "After consultation with my Generals and military experts, please be advised that the United States Government will not accept or allow Transgender individuals to serve in the U.S. military in any capacity. Our military must be focused on decisive and overwhelming victory and cannot be burdened with the tremendous medical costs and disruption that transgender in the military would entail. Thank you."

There's been no word on who actually composed the relatively intelligible tweets or which of Trump's rabidly anti-LGBT administration members urged it.

Ash Carter, Defense Secretary under President Obama, rescinded the ban on service by transgender people last year, but had allowed a year-long review to allow the Pentagon to determine how best to accept new transgender recruits.

That year ended on July 1, but Mattis announced on June 30 that he was tacking on another six months to conduct a review to determine if allowing transgender individuals to enlist in the armed services will affect the "readiness or lethality" of the force.

— Tammye Nash

## Texas Senate passes bathroom bill

One week into the four week special session, the Texas Senate voted to advance SB3, the bathroom bill, on a vote of 21-10 after a nine-hour debate.

While the special session was called to make sure five agencies don't sunset, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick made the true intention clear: to pander to the base and pass a bathroom bill.

Several amendments were added to the bill. Rather than just allowing someone to use a birth certificate to determine which restroom the bathroom police will let them enter, a drivers license or concealed handgun permit may be used.

One Democrat voted for the bill: Sen. Eddie Lucio of Brownsville.

The Texas House now has three weeks left to kill the bill. Speaker of the House Joe Straus despises the bill and said he won't have anyone's suicide that may result from passing such legislation on his head. The bill is expected to be sent to the House State Affairs Committee, where House-initiated bathroom bills were assigned. That committee is where bills are generally sent to die.

— David Taffet

## Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson's response to trans military ban

"As a granddaughter, daughter, niece, wife and sister of a veteran, I find it shameful for the president to deem a certain group of people as unqualified to serve in our military. The United States military is deserving of all who we are undoubtedly committed, dedicated and willing to humbly serve our nation. A person should not be deemed unfit to lay down their life for their country based on their gender identity. Our transgendered friends and family member should be treated equally and allowed to serve and protect our democracy and liberties."

— David Taffet





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• **Weekly: Lambda Weekly every Sunday at 1 p.m. on 89.3 KNON-FM.** This week's guest is **David Brigman** with **USofA Pageants; United Black Ellument** hosts discussion on HIV/AIDS in the black community (UBE Connected) at 7 p.m. every fourth Tuesday of the month at 3116 Commerce St., Suite C; **Core Group Meeting** every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m.; **Fuse game night** every Monday evening except the last of the month at 8 p.m. at the Fuse space in the Treymore Building, 4038 Lemmon Ave. Suite 101; **FuseConnect** every Wednesday from 7 p.m. For more information call or e-mail Jalenzski at 214-760-9718 ext 3 or [jalenzski@myresourcecenter.org](mailto:jalenzski@myresourcecenter.org). LGBT square dancing group **Pegasus Squares** meets every Sunday from 3–5 p.m. at Dallas School of Burlesque, 2924 Main St #103; Dallas Frontrunners meet for a walk or run on the Katy Trail at the Robert E. Lee statue in Lee Park every Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. and every Saturday at 9 a.m.; **Leadership Lambda**

**Toastmasters** practices and develops speaking and leadership skills from 6:30–8 p.m. on Tuesdays at First Unitarian Church, third floor of the Hallman Building, 4012 St. Andrews.; **Gray Pride** support group from 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m. followed by mixer every Monday at Resource Center, 5750 Cedar Springs Road; **Lambda AA** meets at 7 a.m., noon, 6 p.m., 8 p.m. and 11 p.m. and has a men's meeting at 10 a.m. on Saturdays and meets at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Sunday at 1575 W. Mockingbird Lane #625. Call 214-267-0222 for details; **DVtv in Spayse**, news and entertainment discussion live streaming every Friday, 4–5 p.m., on the Spayse Station YouTube channel.

## JULY

• **July 28: Last Bag Standing** Corn Hole Tournament with two-person teams. \$50 entry fee. Hosted by Chad West and Chris Moffett. Prizes. Proceeds benefit Hogg Elementary School. From 7–10 p.m. at BBBop, 828 W. Davis St. [DashfortheBeads.org/last-bag-standing](http://DashfortheBeads.org/last-bag-standing).

• **July 29: Different Strokes Golf Association (DSGA)** DSGA proudly celebrating its 20th anniversary season has a playdate open

to all interested golfers at 10:08 a.m. at Luna Vista Golf Course, 11223 Luna Road. \$55 includes golf, cart and range balls. A cookout and pool party at a nearby member's home follows. Info at [DSGADallas.org](http://DSGADallas.org) or [info@DSGADallas.org](mailto:info@DSGADallas.org).

• **July 29: Pride festival auditions** Audition to perform on the community stage at the Sept. 16 Pride festival in Reverchon Park from 1–4 p.m. in the Rose Room, 3911 Cedar Springs Road.

• **July 29: Gay For Good** G4G will be serving food, water and busing tables at The Stewpot from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sign up at [GayForGood.org/dfw\\_g4g\\_the\\_stewpot](http://GayForGood.org/dfw_g4g_the_stewpot)

• **July 29: Texas Latino Pride pool party** DJ Charlie Phresh, photo booth, catered bites and open bar at TX Latino Pride's pool party from 3–8 p.m. at 13339 Pandora Drive. \$25–50. [Facebook.com/TexasLatinoPride](http://Facebook.com/TexasLatinoPride).

• **July 29: Reception for Troy Perry** The Rev. Elder Troy Perry will be on hand for a reception from 7–9 p.m. at Cathedral of Hope, 5910 Cedar Springs Road. [CathedralofHope.com/47years](http://CathedralofHope.com/47years).



Different Strokes Golf Association plays this week at Luna Vista Golf Course. (See listing for details.)

## OBITUARIES



**Vincent L. Gregory**, 58, of Grover Street, Auburn passed peacefully Monday, July 17, 2017 at Auburn Community Hospital. Vince was born in Joliet, Ill., on Feb. 24, 1959. He was the son of Steven Gregory and the late Betty Satterfield Gregory. He was formerly an office manager for Cathedral Garden Apartments in Dallas. He was the Assistant Registrar at Emerson College. He attended Boston Conservatory of Music, and was an extremely talented flute

player.

Vincent is survived by his devoted husband, Kenneth Dover, who shared his life for 16 years, his father Steven Gregory; his brother Michael Gregory and his wife Linda, and their children, Caitlin, Greer, Sophie and Isabel; his Aunt Floy Hougas of Illinois; and many loving friends throughout the US including close friends Steven Benjamin and John E. Johnson, Jr.

We fondly remember your love of plants and dogs, Walter and Kasper miss you. Thank you for the beautiful music, the joyous memories, and the love you shared with everyone. Your shining spirit will endure forever. Heaven's orchestra has gained a beautiful musician.

A memorial service is being planned for the fall. Donations, in lieu of flowers, in his name to Beverly Animal Shelter, 50 East River Road, Waterloo, N.Y. 13165.

Arrangements are with White Chapel Funeral Home Inc, 197 South St. Auburn, N.Y. 13021.



**Billy Jack Shankles, Jr.** passed away surrounded by loved ones, Friday, July 14 and was laid to rest Wednesday, July 19 in Greenwood Mausoleum in Fort Worth.

Billy was born in Dallas and raised in the Dallas Metroplex. He'll be remembered by those who knew and loved him as a caring

and generous soul. His passions were tickling the ivory of his red lacquer piano, playing his saxophone and his favorite music as loud as he could and belting out his favorite tunes during karaoke in the community.

Billy's amazing and powerful presence was felt in many ways, including his ability to befriend any stranger, especially those in need.

Billy is preceded in death by his father, Billy Jack Shankles, Sr.; his mother Melissa Case; and brother Be-Bob.

Billy is survived by his husband, Tino Olivas; his best friend and soulmate Bryan S. Adkins; his lifelong mentor and friend Lee M. Barron; and Billy's three Chihuahuas, Evita, Layla and Zarita. He also leaves behind his stepfather, Ron Case; his sister, Angel Lynn Cruz; his aunts Frankie, Sheila and Linda and Uncle Gary. He will be missed by his many cousins, nieces, nephews and those who knew him well in the community as well as those who's lives he touched briefly.



• **July 30: CoH's guest preacher**

**Troy Perry**

The Rev. Elder Troy Perry will be the guest preacher at 11 a.m. at Cathedral of Hope, 5910 Cedar Springs Road. CathedralofHope.com/47years.

• **July 31: Marc Veasey**

Rep. Marc Veasey speaks at the Indivisible Oak Cliff meeting at 6:30 p.m. at Unitarian Universalist Church of Oak Cliff, 3839 W. Kiest Blvd.

**AUGUST**

• **Aug. 1: Get Centered**

Behind the scenes tour of the Resource Center led by CEO Cece Cox from 11 a.m.-noon at 5750 Cedar Springs Road.

• **Aug. 1: Classic Chassis Car Club**

Monthly Tire Kick and Dinner. Love of old cars required, not ownership to attend at 7 p.m. at Ojeda's, 4617 Maple Ave.

• **Aug. 6: An Afternoon of Disco Delight**

Nia Courtland, Bianca Davenport Starr and others present songs of the 70's and

80's to benefit Tuckers Gift, AIDS Walk South Dallas and Coalition for Aging LGBT. Food at 4 p.m. Show at 5 p.m. Sue Ellen's, 3014 Throckmorton St.

• **Aug. 11: DFW Pride Happy Hour**

Everyone is welcome to join at this self-styled "cocktail den" From 5:30-7:30 p.m. at The Cedars Social, 1326 S Lamar St.

• **Aug. 11: Equality Texas Dallas Summer Mixer**

Julian Castro and Evan Wolfson are scheduled guests from 6-8 p.m. at IQ Haus, 1107 Dragon St. Tickets at EventBrite.com.

• **Aug. 12: Stigma-Free Workshop**

Team Friendly DFW and Resource Center team up to bring the first Stigma-Free Community Workshops to Dallas, designed to foster a safe community environment where we can sit and discuss the topic of HIV in a Stigma Free space hosted by Nelson-Tebedo Clinic from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Resource Center, 5750 Cedar Springs Road. Free. Ticket information at EventBrite.com.

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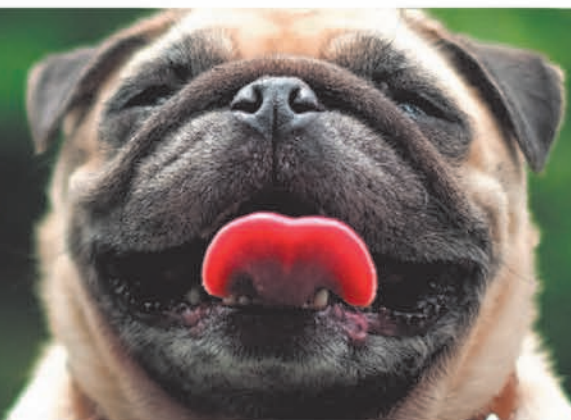
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# Fostering a better life

TRAC gives former foster child a chance to make the world, and the system better

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The average young adult who goes into foster care enters the system between the ages of 11 and 15, and goes through an average of eight placements and five Child Protective Services caseworkers, according to Madeline Reedy, director of the Transition Resource Action Center, a program of CitySquare (a non-profit assisting those living in poverty) that helps young adults aging out of the foster care system adapt to life on their own.

"These kids enter care at a time when they are already rebelling and learning new and different things," Reedy said. "Most of them come from a negative background, and they are having to tell their story to someone new every year. They are moving every six months, all over the state and even out of the state sometimes.

"That's a lot of trauma — trauma on top of trauma. It's a very difficult life, and it im-

pacts their brain development."

TRAC, Reedy said, works with those young men and women as they are leaving the foster care system, a "one-stop shop" for the services they need to adjust: drop-in centers that provide crisis intervention counseling and a safe place for them to stay during the day, life coaching, after-care case management, job training, help finding work, and help finding somewhere to live.

Reedy said that TRAC officials "guess-timate" that about 30 to 33 percent of the young people participating in TRAC are LGBT, although "it's hard to track that. You do the intake when you first meet them, and there's no rapport there yet. And they've been conditioned not to tell anyone [that they are LGBT]. Really, it's not important to us except that it's important for us to know how to best serve these people and the safest place for them to be."

But, Reedy added, those who are LGBT "do sometimes have a harder time of it, especially when it comes to work. We like to think discrimination doesn't happen, but it does happen in the workplace. That adds



additional barriers, and it impacts their mental health in a different way. They struggle with depression, with self confidence. We try to refer them to support groups with like-minded peer groups."

## James

James Givens is one of the young gay men who has turned to TRAC for help. He was 15 when he and his older brother first entered the foster care system. He was shifted around to three different foster homes before, at age 18, he opted to shift to the state's supervised independent living program.

They went in to foster care, he said, because "We called CPS on ourselves. My grandmother and my dad [who lived in Houston] weren't really able to provide

food and other things that we needed. There were a lot of drug influences around us."

But, said James, who has been openly gay since before he entered the foster care system, the final straw came when their grandmother called police on Marty, the man who had been helping care for him and his brother.

Marty, he explained, was a friend of their grandmother's who was also openly gay. James was about 12, he said, when Marty started helping care for him and his brother.

The two boys started spending more and more time with Marty, grateful for the stability he offered. "But I guess Grandma got jealous or something; I guess she thought Marty was getting all the attention from us she wanted," James said. "She's really not a



judgmental woman, but maybe she got the wrong idea."

She started contacting Marty's neighbors, telling them he was a pedophile and a sex offender, James said. Ultimately, one day when the boys were at Marty's house, she called police, and showed up outside the house herself, yelling at Marty to "give me my grandkids back," and asking him, "Why are you taking their affection away from me?" James said.

Because of that, he said, "We got pissed off." James said that their plan when they called CPS was that the state would take them away from their grandmother and father, and then their grandmother and father would agree to let Marty adopt them. The state, though, refused.

"The state wouldn't let him adopt us because he was gay," James said. "That's the whole reason we went into foster care, so he could adopt us, but a white gay guy adopting two black kids — the state wouldn't let that happen."

James and his brother, who are black, were fostered first with a white family in Houston. James said that although his brother was treated well there, he and his first foster mother clashed from the start.

"She didn't like that I was gay," he explained. "She told me I had a demon in me; she said some really hateful things. I was

like, OK crazy Christian lady. Whatever. I guess you could say we got off to a bad start."

James and his brother were both kicked out, though, after the foster parents discovered that his brother and their daughter had begun a relationship. "I guess that was too much for them," he said.

Their second foster home was headed up by a Nigerian woman who at first "treated us like humans, not just a paycheck. She told me that she didn't care about my sexuality. She said, 'As long as you're going to school and working to better yourself, I don't care.' We got off to a good start.

"But the longer you live with someone, the more you start to see their true colors," James continued. "I know I wasn't some perfect angel; I was certainly the more emotional one between me and my brother. I guess there was something in my character; she just didn't like the person I was."

One night James, 16 at the time, came home about 30 minutes late after being out with friends. That led to an argument, in which the woman called him "a bitch" and James "cussed her out." After six months, James and his brother were on their way to a new home, this time in Dallas.

James' brother aged out of foster care and chose to move back to Houston to live with Marty. James said his own immaturity, led

to an argument with his foster mother, later, and at 18, although he could have stayed there until he was 21, James chose to move into the supervised independent living dorm, then later into his own apartment with partially subsidized rent.

He wanted to move back to Houston with Marty, he said, but by that time Marty had hit on some financial hard times and was unable to help. James said his own immaturity led to him "messing up" his chance with the SIL program. He headed to Houston and was staying with his brother, who lived with his girlfriend and her mother. But that didn't last either, and James found himself living with a friend and her mother in a car. Thankfully, he had stayed in contact with his CPS caseworker, and that's who connected him with TRAC.

"Before, I took all my anger out on the world. I felt like my family didn't care; my father didn't care enough to change. And I don't even know my mother [who lives in Detroit]; when we first went into foster care, the caseworker contacted people on that side of the family, but they wouldn't take us," James said.

"In foster care, you can feel neglected. I felt like my family didn't care, either," he said. Finding TRAC was like starting over. I was living in a car and hadn't bathed in two weeks, and then I had a chance to start over.

I was like that 15-year-old kid again, only this time, I was more adult. I needed to get my life together."

Today, James has his own apartment and a job in a restaurant. He's looking for a second job and intends to start school at Mountain View College in the fall. He said he wants to get his degree and become a social worker so that he can one day work to make the foster care system better.

And someday, he added, he hopes to find a partner and create a home for children — his own and foster children.

"I don't want my kids to ever feel there's not someone there for them," he said. "I don't want them to be scared to talk to me about anything. I want to be a really good father for them; I want to be the father my father wasn't. TRAC is giving me the chance to do that, to have that."

Singer/actress Jennifer Hudson is coming to Dallas Saturday, Sept. 9, to perform in A Night to Remember 2017, the annual fundraising gala benefitting CitySquare. The concert takes place at the Margot and Bill Winspear Opera House at the AT&T Performing Arts Center.

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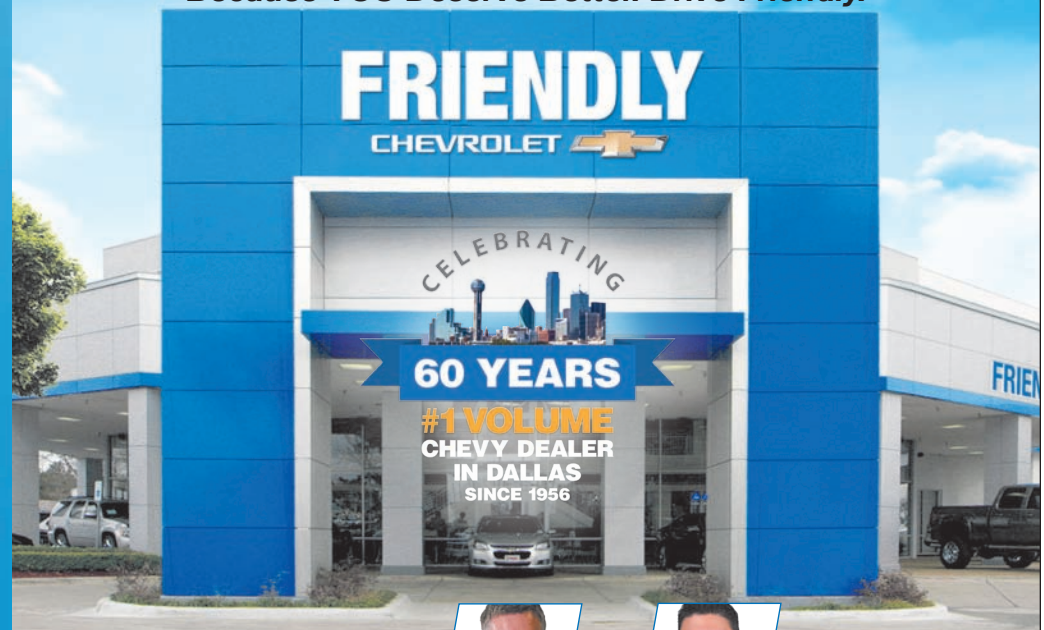


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# Don't tell me how to grieve



The loss of a spouse can be an unfortunate part of family life and one that we're not prepared for

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Counselor Candy Marcum said the big losses in most people's lives are "the loss of a mother and a lover.

"They have the same depth of connection so the same depth of loss and grief," she said.

Marcum called grief healthy and encouraged anyone grieving to experience their emotions.

"Your emotions are right on target," she said. "It's the healing."

She said grief doesn't have to be over a death but may be about a break up or a job. Whatever the reason for the grieving, don't hide it.

Over the past few months, I've learned a lot about grieving, and some of it surprised me. I'd heard of the five stages of grief — denial, anger, bargaining, depression and acceptance — but I haven't experienced them all, at least not in any traditional way.

After a bad day, I expected to go home and miss having someone to share it with.

**P**art of family life is dealing with the death of a loved one.

I've lost my parents, lost a very close grandfather and lost numerous friends to AIDS, but none of that prepared me for losing my husband. On March 6, Brian was fine when I left for work. When I got home, he was unconscious. By 9 p.m., he was dead.

Brian and I were married just nine months and had been together seven years. I've had other partners, but I finally met the person I was going to grow old with. Nothing prepared me for losing him. It's emotionally devastating. That I knew. But it's also exhausting and expensive.



Someone to give me a hug. But here's what I didn't expect:

## Dealing with happy events

Bad days just blended into my grief, but happy days? It was the good days I was having trouble handling.

Earlier this year, I was nominated for two writing awards. For a few days, I didn't tell anyone, because I couldn't tell Brian. He would have been more excited than I was. I just didn't know what to do with the information.

While figuring it out, I looked up the awards to find out when the winner would be announced. I'm not sure if everyone in my office heard me begin to cry when I read the date: Our anniversary.

That upset me more than anything. Would it be a real win if Brian, somehow, fixed the results as my anniversary present?

So, not wanting to sound like a crazy person, I kept that to myself. Of course, when I did win, and anyone said congratulations, instead of saying thank you, I explained about the results and how Brian interfered with the selection process. Yeah, that was healthy.

## Expensive

Losing a spouse is costly.

The day Brian died, I had just paid bills and noticed how we were ahead of schedule catching up on several things — like a vacation we were going to take in three weeks.

Then I got home and suddenly I faced \$10,000 in expenses I hadn't expected that morning.

While losing a spouse is very expensive, what I learned over the next month was those expenses were just going to continue to mount.

First were funeral bills. Then came a bill from the city for an ambulance. Then from the hospital where we transported him.

But then came the everyday living expenses. We used to split the rent. Now I pay it myself along with an increase I got when I renewed my lease. And the increase was twice what it's been in the past, because Oak Lawn rents are skyrocketing.

I began shopping for one person instead of two. That doesn't mean half the cost. For example a half gallon of milk doesn't cost half what the gallon we used to buy cost. Utilities have gone down, but not by half. I'm noticing the bill is only about \$10 less than before. Gas? It takes the same amount of gas to get one of me somewhere as it did for two of us to get there.

## Exhaustion

Losing a spouse is exhausting, because

there seems to be twice as much to do. I no longer share the chores. The sheets need to be changed once a week whether Brian's sleeping in the bed or not. It takes me twice as long to put sheets on our king size bed as it did when two of us did it, and now I have to launder the sheets every week instead of relying on him to wash them some weeks. I do all the vacuuming now, and the floor is the same size even if only half the number of people are walking on it.

I don't buy as much food, but I have to shop for it every time. I have to go to the mailbox every day instead of half the time and clean the litter box all the time instead of never. In other words, everything that we shared doing or he did, I now do myself and twice as often as I did before.

## Those five stages of grief

Marcum said not everyone goes through all of the stages of grief and certainly not in order. One day a person grieving might accept the loss and the next day be depressed again.

I was glad to hear I'm not doing it wrong and didn't necessarily have to go through every stage.

For example: Denial. Brian died in my arms. There was no denial.

Well, maybe a little. When I called 911 and no one picked up, I kept doing chest compressions for 20 minutes until they answered and the ambulance arrived. If I kept trying to revive him, maybe he'd start breathing again. Maybe that was denial, or maybe I just didn't understand that even if I had revived him, without equipment the paramedics would have, I wouldn't have kept him alive.

Anger. I'm not angry at Brian for dying and leaving. I'm a little annoyed he fixed the writing competition from up there. I might have won it on my own. And I'm furious at the city for allowing the 911 system to deteriorate to the point people were dying when they didn't respond.

Marcum explained that bargaining is often associated with someone dealing with a long-term illness. "If I go to church more often, will you let him live longer," she said.

I didn't do that type of bargaining. I did do this type. When I got a bill from the city for \$1,650 to drive Brian's body across the street to Parkland Hospital, I returned it with a note: "I'll pay your damn bill when you settle my lawsuit." But that probably isn't what she meant by bargaining.

Depression. No, not really. Sadness? Yes. Burst into tears at each of the three weddings I've attended in the last month? Couldn't help it. Joy at the happiness of those couples at the same time? Wanting them to be happy as I was? Really wanted to attend? Yes, yes and yes. That's not de-

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pression, but Marcum indicated it comes under that category.

Acceptance. Haven't gotten there yet, but learning to adjust. For three months, just going to the mailbox upset me. It doesn't anymore.

## Some advice

I've learned a lot of things about grieving since Brian died. The people you hoped would be the most help weren't, and the people you never expected to help did. Like when I took that trip Brian and I planned just a few weeks after he died and Chad in my office arranged a pet sitter for me. Or one day I took off and my friend Barbara and I went for a walk through the Arboretum.

Friends help. Brian's friends help more. My friends are trying to make me feel better. His friends are grieving him with me.

Brian's friend Jeremy lost his partner in a fire about seven years ago. He understands my loss. Ray lost his husband a few weeks before I lost mine. We keep a message box open on Facebook, and when something pisses one of us off, we let the other know.

I've been lucky to have the support of my family and his. My cousins who came to my wedding last June flew to Dallas to spend my anniversary with me.

I took his mother to a Turtle Creek Chorale concert. We had been married on stage at a chorale concert the year before and members of the chorale came to sing at his funeral. They have a devoted follower in Brian's mom.

His father lives in Austin, and I recently spent a night there with him. His brother and sister, his uncle, an aunt, her son and his partner all reached out to me to make sure I was OK. That made a huge difference and is something I had that others often don't.

## How to help someone grieving

Comments like, "You look like you lost weight," don't help. Most people lose weight immediately after a death in the family. Don't comment on how someone looks. My response, "And you look fat," didn't help, but indicated how much the original comment just hurt.

Not everyone feels like going out to eat after losing a spouse. If the grieving person declines your invitation, accept it. Don't push. Don't insist. Don't put more pressure on that person. Is your offer more about you than the person who's grieving?

"Let me know if there's anything I can do," is a much more appropriate offer, but don't be surprised if the thing you can help with is cleaning the litter box and not going out to dinner. ■

# Rainbow Roundup offers resources and activities for LGBT families

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When she founded Rainbow Roundup, the last person Kimberly Kantor expected to meet was the woman who became her wife.

Kantor said she just didn't see many resources out there for LGBT families and she wanted her children to meet other families that looked like hers. So she started a closed Facebook group in 2012 that quickly grew to 100 members. Then 300. And 500. Before she knew it, more than 1,000 people in North Texas had joined.

By 2015, the group was more than a Facebook page, but a full-fledged non-profit or-

ganization with resources for LGBT families and events where they could connect.

Among the group's resources are names of doctors, lawyers, daycares and other professionals who welcome LGBT families in their practices. When Kantor moved to Plano, she said she knew three other families with children in the public school where her children would attend.

The group's first camping trip attracted 100 people in 2016. In May this year, the size doubled. At the campout, different people spoke about the impact Rainbow Roundup has had on their lives. One young boy told the group that he used to think there weren't any other families like his.

Kantor said thanks to sponsors, they were able to keep costs down for families. She said that she used to be a single mom

and understands how controlling costs is important to a family. Because of those sponsors, they had hayrides, a barbecue, face painting, arts and crafts and other activities at no additional cost to each family.

She said having been named a Black Tie Dinner beneficiary this year will help the group provide even more activities to families that might not have been able to participate in some of the group's events.

Kantor said exchanging information is one of the most important things the group does. Discussion groups on creating families include information on surrogacy, adoption and fertility specialists.

The group is open to more than just LGBT parents with kids. Some of the parents are opposite-sex couples who have LGBT children.





# Troy Perry makes a visit

MCC was founded on the idea God didn't create him to hate him

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**T**he Rev. Troy Perry promised me he'd give me the short version when I asked him to tell me how he decided to found his own denomination.

During the next two hours, that was about the only question we got to as we compared stories, laughed and cried, and he told me about his colorful life, promising to get to nuns, drug dealers and drug dealing nuns.

But before he began, he warned if I heard a squawking noise, it was "Phillip's bird who hates it when I'm talking."

All that is an introduction to one of the most colorful religious leaders of our day — a delightful storyteller who cares passionately about LGBT people.

Perry grew up in Florida and began preaching at age 13 after running away from home. His mother remarried someone who turned out to be an alcoholic after his dad died.

"He beat up my mother," he said.

He left home after his stepdad abused him mentally and physically and was raped by someone his stepdad identified as his brother but was just someone he had met on a shrimp boat.

He ran to his uncle's farm in south Georgia.

"I was called to preach," Perry said. At 13, he said he was encouraged by his Pentecostal family in Georgia.

By the age of 15, the Baptist church licensed him as a pastor. By age 18, Perry began thinking he might be attracted to men, so he spoke to his pastor, who encouraged him to marry.

Perry was married five years, had two kids and moved to Santa Ana, Calif., where he contacted the local bishop who sent him to a church to pastor.

"They liked me," said Perry.

But Perry visited a local bookstore, saw the physique magazines on the racks and returned to the parsonage with a bag full of books on homosexuality.

His wife wasn't surprised when he told her he was gay. The books he had been hiding under the mattress clued her in, he said.

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But has the group found there are better places in North Texas to live or areas to avoid?

"We're everywhere," Kantor said. "LGBT families are living and thriving everywhere across North Texas."

Rainbow Roundup has been getting more and more recognition around the area. In addition to becoming a Black Tie beneficiary, Kantor received the North Texas GLBT Chamber of Commerce service award.

The group also had a table at last week's LGBT Wedding Party and Expo. While most of the vendors were offering services for the wedding or locations for the honeymoon, Rainbow Resources was there offering resources couples might need years into the future as they plan their families.

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The district overseer wasn't as forgiving. When he told him, "I'm homosexual," Perry said the church official visibly turned blue.

"Did you molest anyone?" the overseer wanted to know. "This is just a trick of the devil. Pray."

The next stop was the bishop whose reaction was, "If he thinks he is, then he probably is."

Despite Perry having tripled the size of the church, the bishop wanted Perry's resignation and said, "We'll excommunicate him." That night, the bishop showed up at Perry's house and wanted the family out that night.

The family didn't move that night, but found a place to live and moved in the next few weeks. Perry got divorced and said he didn't see one of his children for the next 17 years. When he was no longer pastoring



nor married, he was drafted at age 25, just weeks before he would have no longer been eligible.

He called the military his finishing school.

"It was wonderful what the military did for me," he said. "We're going to teach you to live, not die."

While stationed in Germany, he visited bars in Holland. He remembered the first time he saw two police officers come in. Perry panicked and asked what was going to happen. He didn't quite understand at first when he was told, "They just came in for a beer."

When he returned to the U.S., he met Willy Smith and he went to a church. The first week, he was welcomed. The second Sunday, he preached. The third visit, they asked about him. When Perry was honest, they shut him out.

He tried to commit suicide.

"Willy busted the door down," Perry said. "I slit my wrist in the tub."

After he was sewn up in the hospital and talked to a doctor who threatened to commit him, Willy took him home. He realized he was going to be OK.

"God spoke to me in the still small voice,"

he said. "God loves me. I was Christian and a gay man. If God loves me, God loves other homosexuals. I don't owe apologies to anyone."

He took out an ad with his home address and his real name. That Sunday, 12 people showed up and that's where Metropolitan Community Church began — in his living room in the apartment he shared with Smith in Los Angeles.

To start a church, he said it was simple. "Tell them where you are, who you are and what you believe."

He explained, "God didn't create me to have something to hate."

Not only did Christians attend Perry's new church, but a number of Jews did as well. While Perry's work is responsible for creating MCC churches around the world, he also inspired the creation of a number of synagogues, including Congregation Beth El Binah in Dallas.

Although he always welcomed his Jewish members, Perry spoke to several and suggested they might be more comfortable in a gay synagogue rather than a church. He encouraged them to form Beth Chayim Chadashim (Hebrew for House of New Lives) in Los Angeles, better known as BCC. And when a Dallas congregation began to form, BCC was there with suggestions, prayerbooks and bylaws that helped the local group become a sanctioned synagogue.

Perry's other Dallas connection is his relationship with the Rev. Neil Cazares-Thomson, senior pastor of Cathedral of Hope.

His history with the cathedral's current pastor goes back to when Cazares-Thomson was 16 at the MCC church in London.

Cazares-Thomson later became the London church's pastor.

"He put our church on the map in London," Perry said.

When Perry retired from his own Los Angeles pulpit, Cazares-Thomson stepped in as the new pastor. So for a number of years, Cazares-Thomson served as Perry's pastor.

When Cathedral of Hope broke away from MCC about 10 years ago, that created a hurt that Perry doesn't discuss other than to say his visit to Dallas to see his own former pastor and speak from the pulpit brings healing.

"Neil wanted it to come full circle," Perry said.

Perry just celebrated his 32nd anniversary with his husband Phillip, and next year, Metropolitan Community Church celebrates its 50th anniversary.

On Saturday, July 29, Cathedral of Hope holds a reception for Perry from 7-9 p.m. On Sunday, Perry is the guest preacher at the 11 a.m. service.



# Financial Planning for LGBT Families

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Before advising a same-sex couple on which investments would work best for them, financial advisor Stephanie Sammons makes sure she understands the family and everyone's roles and responsibilities, especially when kids are involved.

She draws from her own experience.

"My spouse adopted children with her ex," she said.

Her spouse's ex has a new partner as well. They call themselves "the four moms." Since the situation is complicated, rather than just name a beneficiary, Sammons set up a trust for her wife.

"When my spouse passes away, she'd want me to have her assets," she said. "But then she wants the assets to go to her children. That requires a trust."

When she first meets with clients, Sammons discusses the family's situation. Are they legally married?

"With marriage equality at the federal level, there are additional protections," she said.

But with rulings like a recent Texas Supreme Court decision that said the Obergefell case only required the state to issue marriage licenses and benefits are yet to be decided, even married same-sex couples should be a little cautious.

When children are involved, Sammons has the couple define each of their roles. If the children are from a previous marriage or relationship, are both members of the couple equally responsible? Has the new spouse adopted the partner's child?

If the couple adopted their children, are both parents on the adoption papers? If they adopted before marriage equality, only one parent was on the original adoption paperwork. The partner would have to do a second parent adoption later. A married couple may adopt together.

Once the couple Sammons is working with has written out their financial and family goals, she can begin to advise.

Are wills in place to carry out their basic wishes? If not, she advises them to see an attorney who can discuss those plans.

Next, she'll review beneficiary designations.

"You'd be surprised how many people in our community don't have their beneficiary designations listed," she said.

She advises clients who are legally mar-

ried to have copies of their marriage licenses on hand. In some places where a next of kin is needed, like at a hospital, some people will simply ask the question, "are you legally married?" While some people who would assume the answer is honest when talking to an opposite-sex couple are speaking to a same-sex couple, they'll want proof.

"Once you do get married, you have more flexibility to pass assets back and forth between each other without tax con-

sequences," Sammons said.

One investment vehicle Sammons recommends when talking to clients with children is a 529 account.

"529 accounts are a nice way for parents to put money away for college," Sammons explained. "Money grows tax-free and is distributed tax-free if distributed for college."

"What we accumulated before marriage is separate," she said. "What we accumulated together belongs to both."

She suggested a pre-nuptial agreement for couples who've accumulated considerable assets before marrying but warned of the connotations that may have.

In making a financial plan, Sammons said a couple should define and document their goals together. A young couple might be saving for a surrogate to start a family. An older couple may be planning for what they'll need to eventually retire. They should consider their immediate tax situation and how filing jointly will change what they owe.

Sammons said where a couple is in life and what they'll need at retirement ultimately determine what she recommends they should keep in stocks, bonds or cash. ■

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## Texas adoption law harms the most vulnerable children

The 2017 Texas Law, HB 3859, which allows broad discrimination by adoption agencies will undoubtedly harm the thousands of children who have already been abused or neglected by their birth parents and desperately need loving homes.

The law allows agencies to discriminate because of any “sincerely held religious belief.” Private adoption agencies can already set standards for foster/adopt parents based on religious beliefs. For example, Christian Homes and Family Services in Abilene states on its website that adopting couples must “be of the Christian faith and both be active members of the same church, where both attend weekly.”

The real problem with the new Texas law is that it extends the right to discriminate to state-funded agencies. Texas will spend thousands of dollars defending an uncon-



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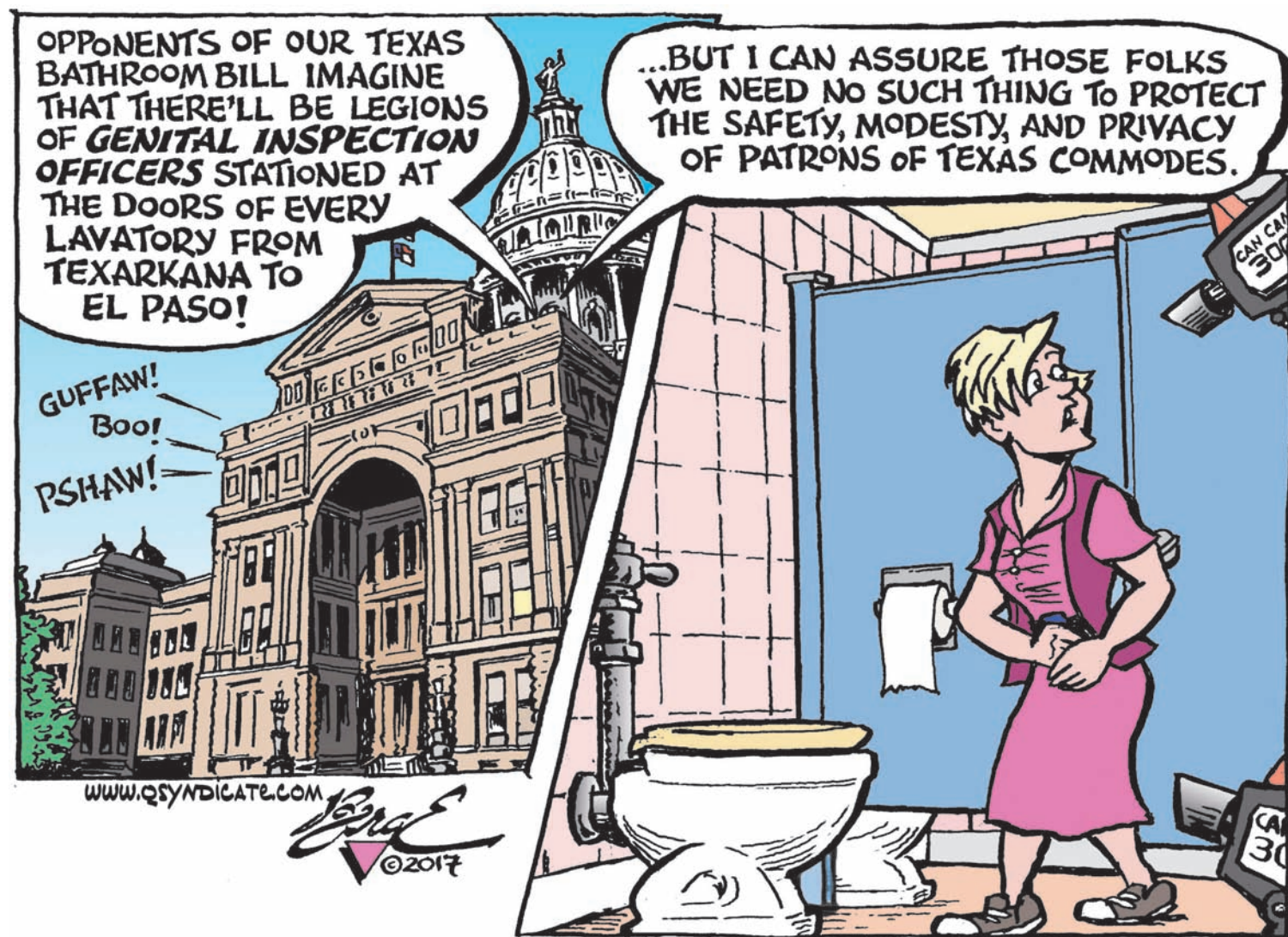
stitutional law, which clearly violates the separation of church and state. In the meanwhile, instead growing up in loving homes, many more children will tragically languish in “a system where rape, abuse, psychotropic medication and instability are the norm.” (Stukenberg vs. Abbot, 2015, Corpus Christi US District Court, page 255).

The clear impetus for the new law was to discourage gay and lesbian Texans from even trying to become foster/adoptive parents. While the law may garner conserva-

tive votes, it is at the expense of these very vulnerable children. No child should be used as a political pawn.

Perhaps some Texas legislators sincerely believed children would be harmed in gay homes and were well intended - just uninformed. These legislators need to look at the Columbia Law School Research Portal’s review of 79 studies, which were peer reviewed and published in scholarly journals. “Taken together, this research forms an overwhelming scholarly consensus, based on over three decades of peer-reviewed research, that having a gay or lesbian parent does not harm children.” So, what can you do? You can share this information with clergy, friends, family members, – and your Texas legislators. You can also apply to be a foster/adoptive parent. [TexasFosterCare1.clickforward.com](http://TexasFosterCare1.clickforward.com)

— Suzanne Bryant







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# Making Miss *Fancy* Pants

Auto writer Casey Williams chronicles the ups-and-downs of adopting a child

**familylife** | Adopting a child can be one of the most challenging undertakings of anyone's life. When you decide to adopt, you agree to months and months of paperwork, research, expense, unexpected twists and turns and countless emotional challenges. But despite all the difficulties, the rewards are incalculable. "Of course there's some risk in it, but you can't imagine what it's like when you finally have that child home," says Casey Williams, who along with his husband Jarrod adopted a daughter in 2014.

The experience proved so life-changing, Williams — who is also Dallas Voice's long-time automotive writer — wrote a book about it: *The Adoption of Little Miss Fancy Pants (By Her Gay Dads)*, a sweet, funny and detailed chronicle of the ups and downs of his family's experience.

We recently spoke to Williams by phone for some tips on how to get started down the road to starting your family.

**Take stock financially.** With attorneys' fees, agency fees, travel, research expenses, medical bills and unseen costs, adoption is expensive. Williams' first seminar weekend alone cost them \$1,200, and the entire process cost about \$30,000. Casey and Jarrod were lucky in that both of their employers offered credits to help pay for the process. Also, check with your insurance company — depending on your situation, they might cover the costs of the pregnancy.

**Research open adoptions.** More and more individuals and agencies are engaging in open adoption, where the birth parents have legal access to the child. Frequency and type of contact vary according to what the birth parents decide, from face-to-face visits to written communication. The method, Williams says, can be difficult to wrap your mind around. "At first, we felt uncomfortable about it," he says. "We thought once-a-year visits were enough. But now we have a really close relationship. To us they feel like our in-laws — they're all actually at a fair together today."

**Be ready for a wait.** Research. Interviews. Paperwork. Home visits. Background checks. More paperwork. Labyrinthine legal work — all of it takes time. The Williamses started the process in November of 2010, and the adoption was completed in March 2014 — three-and-a-half years later. Williams notes that length

of time is unusual, but it's still a process that on average takes 18 to 24 months.

**Be ready to be scared.** "That first night after the first seminar, we came home and I was laying on the couch completely overwhelmed. Just lying there saying, 'Can we do this?'" Williams says. "But you finally get to the point where you just jump in. It's the same for any parent — you're starting a whole new phase of your life."

**Consider the LGBTQ factor.** For LGBTQ adopters, even the usual challenges are multiplied by the complexities — and sometimes barriers — that vary state-by-state and country by country. You'd think that because marriage equality is now legal in the U.S. that the same would hold true for LGBT adoptions. Sadly, that's not true. The Williamses adopted in Indiana after moving there from Kentucky. "In Indiana, we were really lucky we didn't have any problem," Williams says. "Kentucky's laws were not favorable. They wouldn't even look at us in Kentucky." The policies of adoption agencies toward gay adoptions vary as much as those of state and local governments. The agency that Williams found "treated us exactly the same was anyone else," he says. But many agencies are run by more conservative religious groups who don't believe in gay adoption and won't even consider your application. If you're considering a foreign adoption, look into current law for each country. Russia, China, and some African countries, in particular, present considerable challenges to adoptions by same-sex couples.

When it comes to open adoptions, same-sex couples can also face challenges with birth families. "Some people don't want their kids with gay parents," Williams says. "But there are some mothers who do, because they want to be the only mother in a kid's life. But generally, they don't care. They just want their kid to be happy."

**Try not to worry too much.** If all this sounds like a lot, it is. But the rewards of expanding your family end up making the intensity melt away. "Our daughter is 3 ½, and there are many nights we see her riding a bike or whatever, and you sit there thinking about all the process," Williams says. "And how, now we're here, it's so worth it."

— Jonanna Widner

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Jarrod and Casey Williams, with their daughter.



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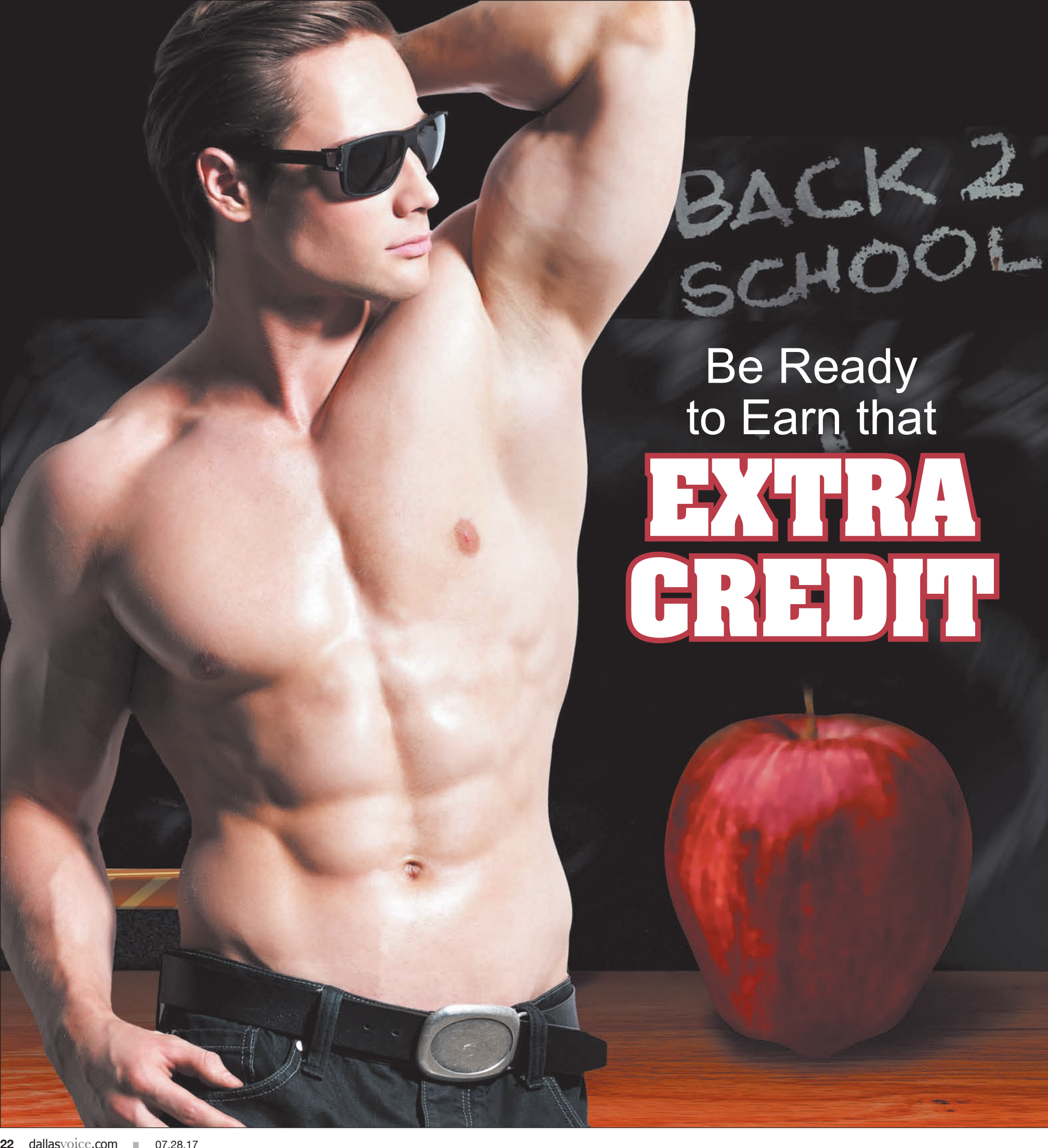
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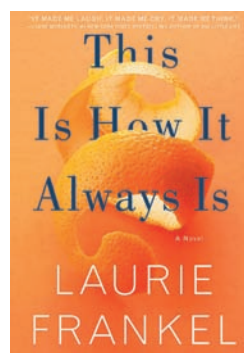


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boundaries of a family



***This Is How It  
Always Is* by  
Laurie Frankel  
(Flatiron Books  
2017) \$25.99;  
329 pp.**

In the beginning  
was Roosevelt,  
known to his  
loved ones as Roo.  
Not long after he  
was born, Ben

entered the family. Then the twins, Orion  
and Rigel, arrived and so Rosie Walsh,  
still hoping for a girl baby, did everything  
the Talmud recommended she do next.  
Months later, she and her husband, Penn,  
welcomed... Claude.

That was OK. Another boy in their  
raucous, rowdy family of boys was fine —  
Rosie and Penn loved them all. They were  
happy in their big, rambling, open farm-  
house just outside of Madison, Wisc. Rosie  
loved her job; Penn worked on his novel;  
and Claude, it turns out, dreamed of being  
a girl.

It started when, as do most parents,  
Rosie told Claude that he could “be any-  
thing” he wanted to be someday. Claude

was 3 and loved dress-up; it didn’t seem  
odd to let him wear dresses at home. But  
soon, home wasn’t enough, and Claude  
tantrumed until he was allowed to wear  
dresses to preschool, though he was told  
that he’d have to use the nurse’s station  
bathroom and his teacher was “not hap-  
py.”

Still, Rosie and Penn were willing to do  
what it took to make Claude feel secure.  
With his dresses and pink tones, he was  
a confident child; without, he was sullen  
and sad. None of his classmates minded  
his clothing. His brothers never gave it  
a second thought. Claude was simply  
Claude, until he asked his parents to call  
him Poppy.

And that was fine, too, especially when  
the family moved to another state and it  
was easier to keep quiet ... until it wasn’t.  
Until Poppy started growing up, the world  
became a vicious place, and secret-keeping  
couldn’t last forever.

And so, here’s the thing: once you’ve  
started reading *This Is How It Always Is*,  
you might as well just clear your schedule.  
Cancel all appointments. You won’t want  
to do anything but read, so just give in.  
Blame it on the book.

Part of the appeal, I think, is in the way  
that author Laurie Frankel writes: there  
are no airs, no try-to-impress-you words,  
nothing uppity. Her characters are nor-  
mal people with everyday lives, trying to





maintain that normalcy, and Frankel writes like they might talk: with down-to-earth matter-of-factness and a fast dash of humor that winds its way through a serious topic. And on that topic, you've perhaps heard it before (or something similar) but not in a voice like this, and not quite as enjoyable.

One more thing: be sure to read Frankel's after-notes, which brings her novel full-circle and will make you smile. But don't peek; instead, start *This Is How It Always Is* from the beginning and savor it properly. It'll make you want to tell everyone.

***Transitioning Together: One Couple's Journey of Gender and Identity Discovery by Wenn & Beatrice Lawson (Jessica Kingsley Publishers 2017) \$19.95; 214 pp.***

Long before they met, Wendy and Beatrice had a lot in common: both came from families of similar sizes. Both had fathers that "didn't have a head for figures" and mothers who ran the family businesses. Wendy and Beatrice are both on the autism spectrum. The main difference: Wendy

was a married woman.

They met one afternoon when Wendy, her husband and their four children were living in the home of a well-to-do family that had just hired an au pair. The shy young woman didn't speak English and Wendy didn't speak Swiss German, but when Wendy was asked to help the girl to settle in, Beatrice proved to be a quick study. She easily learned a new language and she and Wendy forged a close friendship. Both seemed only a little surprised when that friendship turned into love.

Wendy, who'd had health issues most of her life, never considered falling in love with another woman, but it felt right. Beatrice had an inkling that she was a lesbian, but she shunned the word, afraid that it would "be an embarrassment" to her family. Even so, she settled into a relationship which was tender and fragile from the start.

Wendy and her family moved from England to Australia as her abusive marriage was crumbling. Beatrice was unable to make the move with her beloved, due to Australia's immigration laws. They ultimately figured out a way to be together physically; once Wendy's divorce was final, they knew they'd be together legally as well.

But even after their wedding, Wendy wasn't happy. Never comfortable in her body, she felt sure that something was missing, so she sought her "tribe" before understanding that she needed to transition to become the man he'd always known he was. And that was something Beatrice wasn't sure she could handle.

From its very beginning, *Transitioning Together* is a tough read. There are a lot of preliminaries to wade through to get to the start of the actual story, and then there's a lot of confusing set-up that identifies Wenn and Beatrice Lawson by their relative ages, rather than by name. While it's helpful, later, to have a change in font to delineate who is weighing in, you might continue to be baffled by the semi-linear nature of what is mostly Mr. Lawson's version.

Yes, tenacious readers who can bear with this dual memoir will get a double-edged peek at the emotional process of transitioning for both partners, through the added, unique perspectives of autism and age.

That's worth the patience — if you have it. Indeed, this book could be more for professionals than for anyone else; general audiences may enjoy *Transitioning Together*, but only by a hair.

— Terri Schlichenmeyer

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Whether you define family as close friends out for the evening or a

car full of offspring, wheeling them about shouldn't require a tanker full of fuel or inebrated performance. You could look at the Chrysler Pacifica Hybrid, or even the Toyota Highlander Hybrid, but let's elevate our luxury. The Acura MDX Sport Hybrid may be your ride that's stylish, efficient and powerful.

Let's just go straight to exterior styling and its prettier face. Gone is the giant belt buckle, replaced by a version of Acura's new diamond pentagon grille, as seen on last year's Precision concept car. It's not particularly distinctive but looks good with the restyled hood, front fenders, side sills and fascia. LED headlights and fog lights glisten like strings of crystals. Place it all over 20-in. wheels and the updates give the MDX a look that Acura calls "executive athletic."

If the exterior is executive athletic, then the interior is luxurious mystic. It's luxurious with supple leather, heated/cooled front seats and a heated steering wheel. Real wood on the dash and doors is available with the Advance package. So are second-row captain's chairs. Tri-zone automatic climate control keeps everybody comfy. Five passengers fit easily; seven squeeze in for shorter trips.

Beyond luxury touches, interiors are loaded with a suite of electronics that are both entertaining and frustrating. Bose audio, USB charging ports and SMS text messaging work well. Navigation could be far easier to program, but it got us there. But oh, the mystery of Acura's two-screen infotainment set-up. This version seems easier to use, but it is complication without reason. Safety is enhanced with a surround-view camera system, adaptive cruise control, lane keeping assist, lane



centering control, blind spot warning and forward collision mitigation systems.

Some hybrids are created for maximum efficiency, while others give performance a boost. Acura threatened the middle sash. The big crossover makes hay with a 3.0-liter gasoline engine, three electric motors to manage the all-wheel-drive system, 7-speed dual clutch automatic transmis-

sion, and lithium-ion batteries. Total output is 321 horsepower, or 64 more than non-hybrids. Even better, it cranks more torque for quicker

acceleration. The cherries are fuel economy ratings of 26/27-MPG city/hwy, which is a 7/1-MPG improvement over non-hybrid. I think Acura picked the right path for its performance hybrid crossover.

During a four-hour round-trip to attend a mid-century furniture sale, the MDX was a perfect traveling companion. The peppy powertrain works with the smooth, yet athletic, chassis to maintain almost any speed you please without an ounce of drama from beneath. Supportive leather seats, navigation and the Bose audio system were welcome traveling companions... even if the stupid two-screen infotainment arrangement came along too. Had I wanted to haul anything home, flipping down the rear rows of seats and powering open the hatch would have been a cinch.

No matter which powertrain you choose, the MDX is a luxury cocoon for three rows of whomever you consider family. But, why not go hybrid and enjoy amped performance over a foundation of maximized MPGs. If the base \$51,960 sticker, rising to \$58,975 fully commissioned, doesn't concern you, go forth and travel.

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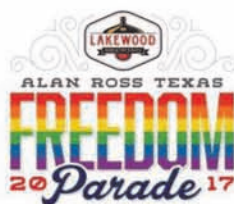
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# Katy bar the door

Perry's squishy effort to be woke goes wrong; meanwhile, we worship Lorde

faux bisexuality to No. 1 loses touch with her hottest commodity: those escapist, guilty-pleasure hooks. *Witness*, then, is a rough sketch of an album without any artistic merit and even less of an identity. Of course, Perry's confused sense of self could

**Katy Perry, *Witness*.** Once upon a time, former Christian singer Katy Perry was just a simple California gurl doing simple California gurl things, like spraying Reddi Wip from her boobs because it's fun to blast things from your boobs. Musically, orgasms were not-so-cryptically analogized as full-on symphonies and hummingbirds in flight. Sad, wandering plastic bags were wrongfully used to convey deep desolation. Then the underwhelming *Prism* happened. It tried to deepen Perry's style palette, but musically speaking, the album was a whimper, not a roar.

Perry reaches for lioness heights on *Witness*, her fourth album for a major label. But while attempting to replace flippancy for wokeness, the pop fixture who took



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be overlooked if *Witness* at least served up some melodic diversions; but, in fact, there was a greater chance at being riveted if you caught her refreshingly exposed, 72-hour live stream, which featured a sit-down with RuPaul. At least the '90s-influenced house banger "Swish Swish," though insipidly written, has Nicki Minaj-buoyed verve, and the title track is an earnest statement song about being loved for who we are. But then there's "Save As Draft," more twaddle (this one took six writers, including Perry), about an e-message Perry intended to send to an ex but never did. Maybe the note was unfinished. Maybe she didn't have the courage to send it. Maybe the undercooked *Witness*, too, could've used more time in the same folder.

**One-and-a-half stars**



**Lorde, *Melodrama*.** Something happens during Lorde's new album — so far, the year's best — that I can't stop thinking about. In the middle of "Supercut," as the track swirls into something almost spiritual, and the drums kick up and the synths fizz (thanks to co-producer Jack Antonoff for this beautiful soundbed), the track dissolves. Lorde sings like she's on the phone with you. She sounds so close. Then, out of frustration, out of anger, out of heartbreak, she unleashes an exasperated wail as if she's trying to perfectly illustrate why she called her sophomore album *Melodrama*. Lorde's follow-up to 2013's *Pure Heroine* has no problems living up to its name, with "Perfect Places," a brilliant escapist anthem, and the devastating confessional "Writer in the Dark," which deserves all your tears. *I'm 19 and I'm on fire* she affirms. It doesn't matter that she's 20 now (Lorde's sophisticated writing is beyond her young age), or that you're however old you are. This timeless, textured breakup album will stay with you for years to come.

**Five stars**

#### ALSO OUT NOW

**The Secret Sisters, *You Don't Own Me Anymore*.** Leave it to a lesbian to save the world one girl group at a time. Ready to throw in the towel after a heavy bout of business trouble, including filing for bankruptcy in 2014, siblings Laura and Lydia Rogers, who comprise the Secret Sisters, return thanks to out Americana queen Brandi Carlile. Like a country song that someone should be writing right now (next album, Sisters?), their comeback country throwback means someone else will have to scrub the bathrooms Lydia was scrub-

bing during their hiatus. Why? Because if the songs on the sublime *You Don't Own Me Anymore* are any indication, from their stunningly wistful remake of "Kathy's Song" to their backwoods sprawl, "Mississippi," the Secret Sisters are right where they belong.

**London Grammar, *Truth Is a Beautiful Thing*.** London Grammar's gorg but fairly benign new release has one of modern music's purest voices, that of Hannah Reid — think angel Annie Lennox, paired with Florence Welch's soulful soar — pulling

you through the shattered shards and into grace's comforting arms with every swoop of her magical instrument. That transcendent effect enraptures on set opener "Rooting For You," where Reid's cosmic-like voice breezes through brushes of guitars and keyboards like a sunrise breaking the clouds. Depending on your fondness for looking at the same pretty skyline, the rest of Grammar's tepid sophomore album, so mellow it makes Enya sound like a dance diva, may just be the chill summer getaway we all need right now.

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Join us for one of our fun monthly events posted on Facebook. We organize events for families in the DFW area - sometimes attending a splash pad, park playground, going to the Dallas Zoo, a drive-in movie or a group camping trip.

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## LIFE+STYLE

### best bets

**Friday 08.04**

#### Queen + Adam Lambert perform

Queen was the glam arena-rock band of the 1970s and '80s; Adam Lambert electrified American Idol audiences this millennium. Queen, of course, took a hit when flamboyant frontman Freddie Mercury died, but it was a masterstroke to unite the two in concert tours, as you can see for yourself. They will rock Victory Park with classic hits and no doubt some new ones.

**DEETS:** American Airlines Center, 2500 Victory Ave. 8 p.m. Ticketmaster.com.

**Friday 07.28 —  
Sunday 08.20**

#### 'Hit the Wall' opens at WaterTower

We wrote last week about WaterTower's new artistic director and her ballsy decision to stage the rollicking play-with-music *Hit the Wall* as her directorial debut, and we can't wait to see it. Ike Holter's play captures the passion and energy of the Stonewall Riots when a handful of outcasts resisted police action and started a movement.

**DEETS:** Addison Theatre Centre, 15650 Addison Road. In previews through Sunday; opening night Monday. WaterTowerTheatre.org.



**Saturday 07.29**

#### Texas Latino Pride hosts inaugural pool party

Dallas gays love their pool parties, so it makes sense that Texas Latino Pride would want to take advantage of that passion with its first-ever pool party. DJ Charlie Phresh will spin while guests enjoy catered bites, vodka cocktails and a muy caliente afternoon.

**DEETS:** 13339 Pandora Road. 3–8 p.m. \$25–\$50. Eventbrite.com (search Texas Latino Pride).

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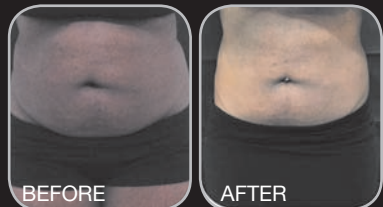
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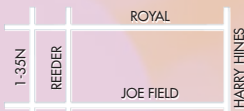
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## ARTSWEEK

### THEATER

#### The Festival of Independent Theatres (FIT).

Eight small companies perform for the 19th annual fest. *Reviewed this week.* Bath House Cultural Center, 521 E. Lawther Drive. Through Aug. 5. [BathHouseCultural.com](http://BathHouseCultural.com).

**Beehive: The '60s Musical.** Jukebox musical about the women who made pop music in the 1960s so memorable. Jubilee Theatre, 506 Main St., Fort Worth. July 28–Aug. 27. [JubileeTheatre.org](http://JubileeTheatre.org).

**The Bodyguard.** Deborah Cox stars in this stage adaptation of the hit film. *Final weekend.* Presented by Dallas Summer Musicals. Fair Park Music Hall, 901 First Ave. [DallasSummerMusicals.org](http://DallasSummerMusicals.org).

**La Cage aux Folles.** The groundbreaking musical about a gay couple with a straight son forced to “straighten up” for his fiancée’s conservative parents. Presented by UptownPlayers. *Final weekend.* Kalita Humphreys Theater, 3636 Turtle Creek Blvd. [UptownPlayers.org](http://UptownPlayers.org).

**Divine — Live at the Boom Boom Room.** A new play by Benjamin Lutz, about the famed drag queen. *Final weekend.* Margo Jones Theatre inside the Magnolia Lounge at Fair Park, 1121 First Ave. [DivineLiveAtTheBoomBoomRoom.bpt.me](http://DivineLiveAtTheBoomBoomRoom.bpt.me).

**Hit the Wall.** A play with music about the Stonewall Riots that triggered the modern gay liberation movement. Addison Theatre Centre, 15650 Addison Road. July 28–Aug. 20 (in previews through July 30). [WaterTowerTheatre.org](http://WaterTowerTheatre.org).

**Hood.** A world premiere musical about Robin Hood, by Douglas Carter Beane and Lewis Flinn.

Wyly Theatre, 2400 Flora St. Through Aug. 6. [DallasTheaterCenter.org](http://DallasTheaterCenter.org).

**The Bible: The Complete Words of God (Abridged).** Amphibian Stage Productions presents the return engagement of this comedy. 120 S. Main St., Fort Worth. Through Aug. 13. [AmphibianStage.com](http://AmphibianStage.com).

**The Life and (Cruel) Times of Conchita Zaragoza: A Mambo Musical.** Comedy by Mark-Brian Sonna about a Mexican girl obsessed with being the next big star in America... despite being undocumented. Studio Theatre at Addison Theatre Centre, 15650 Addison Road. Through Aug. 6. [MBSProductions.net](http://MBSProductions.net).

**The Necessities.** A world premiere from local gay playwright, director and actor Blake Hackler, about four strangers in a small Texas town whose lives converge. Closes Second Thought Theatre’s season. Joel Ferrell directs. *Final weekend.* Bryant Hall on the Kalita Humphreys campus, 3636 Turtle Creek Blvd. [2TT.co](http://2TT.co).

### CABARET

**Dallas Cabaret Festival.** The second annual celebration of cabaret returns to the Women’s Building in Fair Park, and it’s free. 6500 Parry Ave. 7:30 p.m. Friday–Saturday. Free.

### FINE ART

**Sopheap Pich.** The Cambodian sculptor’s work, including the massive *Rang Phnom Flower*, on display at Crow Collection of Asian Art, 2010 Flora St. Through Jan. 7. [CrowCollection.org](http://CrowCollection.org).

**Iris Van Herpen: Transforming Fashion.** A must-see show of the designer’s wondrous garments. Dallas Museum of Art, 1717 Harwood St. Through Aug. 20. [DMA.org](http://DMA.org).



FRIDAY 07.28

COMMUNITY

**Panoptikon.** The weekly retro disco dance party, presented by Lord Byron. Red Light, 2911 Main St. Doors 9 p.m.

SATURDAY 07.29

COMMUNITY

**Texas Latino Pride Pool Party.** The inaugural event of its kind for Latino Pride, featuring DJ Charlie Phresh, drinks, bites and more. 13339 Pandora Drive. 3–8 p.m. \$25–\$50. Eventbrite.com (search for Texas Latin Pride).

MAGIC

**Mat LaVore: Magic and Mystery.** “Astonishment artist” Mat LaVore performs magic, mindreading and hypnosis. Wyly Theatre Studio, 2400 Flora St. 8 p.m. ATPAC.org.

MONDAY 07.31

CABARET

**Mama’s Party.** Local singer Amy Stevenson hosts her ongoing cabaret series, always with special guests and a good time. Uptown Theatre, 120 E. Main St. Grand Prairie. \$10.

TUESDAY 08.01

FILM

**Showgirls.** Perhaps the worst film ever made ... and thus an enduring classic for camp gay audiences. Screens as part of the Tuesday Big Movie New Classic Series at Landmark’s Magnolia Theatre in the West Village, 3699



The moster hit ‘La Cage aux Folles’ wraps up its run this weekend at the Kalita.

McKinney Ave. Screens at 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m.

**Fran Lebowitz.** The coolly sophisticated humorist performs, in a concert rescheduled from spring. Winspear Opera House, 2403 Flora St. 7:30 p.m. ATPAC.org.

THURSDAY 08.03

THEATER

**The Minotaur.** Anna Ziegler’s contemporary take on love and honor, with the mythic creature of the title as its symbolic center. Theatre 3, 2900 Routh St. in the Quadrangle. Aug. 3–27 (in previews through Aug. 6). Theatre3Dallas.com.

CABARET

**Glitterbomb Denton.** Weekly queer variety show with a new lineup every Thursday. Mable Peabody’s Beauty Parlor and Chain Saw Repair, 1125 E. University Drive, Denton. 9:30 p.m.

FRIDAY 08.04

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# Ask Howard

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I never cease to be amazed by the sheer volume of questions I receive that ask me, basically, the same thing, albeit disguised in variously opaque ways: "Does partaking of [fill in with your addictive narcotic preference of choice] make me, necessarily, an addict, if I'm only using it *recreationally*?" Well, as Eric Clapton so anesthetically crooned, *If your day is gone, and you want to ride on, cocaine/ Don't forget the fact, you can't get it back/Cocaine*. So let's just get narcotized (highly anodyne) right to it.

**Dear Howard,**

Once in a while, if asked, I sometimes, embarrassingly, use "party favors" ... only on occasion. If I'm being *really* truthful, I mean, yes, I do enjoy just a little blow from time to time; like, what gay millennial doesn't? Sometimes, I'll smoke a cig — OK, in all honesty, I've been accused of lighting up my next menthol Parliament with one still dangling from my lips. And seeing as how I'm being mostly honest with you, Howard, I also enjoy drinking, but *just* socially, though probably

too much... man, I imbibe an awful lot. Sir, if I had to give up just *one* my vices, which among them would be *your* preferred suggestion? Honestly, I'm probably not gonna give up any of them — boredom costs a lot of dough, though, you know — and they're all just so, so expensive! I'd really not enjoy receiving a morality lecture, man, so answer just my baseline question, please? — **Ray D'Light**

**Dear Radiantly Lit,**

"Embarrassingly ... from time to time ... on occasion." What kind of obviously absolving little Tweety Bird "I think me saw a Puddy Cat!" cartoonery is this shit? You're preaching to the morally *unembarrassed* choir here: I know, absolutely, how extraordinarily expensive boredom is; hence, pay very close attention to my answer: For, as you no doubt well know, the recessed filter of Parliaments is *perfect* for packing just a wee bit of "toot, toot, tootsie, goodbye!" inside it. Nonetheless, putting that aside, of the big three — alcohol, tobacco, cocaine — if you *had* to give up but one of them, Radella, let's go with tobacco, which ultimately destroys *every* user, regardless of whatever other vices they abuse: Tobacco, in the long run, kills *all* of its partakers way, way too early.

Alcohol, on the other hand, *if* you can limit yourself to just a couple drinks every day, actually can *extend* one's lifespan. As for "plain" cocaine — assuming you can afford it (minus making the fatal error of mixing it, ludicrously, with either other street or prescription pharmaceuticals into various "highball" concoctions) — then, hell, enjoy yourself, Tweets!

I have statistics coming out the wazoo for all three; but, if you ask me — *which you did* — I'd recommend you start with the elimination of tobacco. I realize, of course, that of the big three Betty Ford bonanzas (booze, blow, prescription drugs) "mere" tobacco-abuse doesn't even make her clinic's cut; nevertheless, it's easily the worst, *especially* if you're HIV-positive — a factor you negated mentioning one way or the other; but, just to let you know, HIV plus tobacco use is a lethal combination, whether you're on protease inhibitors.

**Dear Howard,**

Of the guys I've been meeting on Grindr lately, a disproportionate number of them not only sport entirely shaved heads, but their entire bodies — eyelashes downward — are *completely* hair-free, too. Is this some kind of new, metrosexual trend I'm not aware of? I feel like my grandmother for asking you something



so clueless. — **Cody**

**Dear Codeine,**

It's not so much cluelessness, as it is that you're, happily, *not* a devotee of drug "parole" requirements: Apparently, precious, you've never spent time in the clink, being "voluntarily" forced to enjoy hairs pulled out of your skin for narcotics' testing. Stay clean, this way, Cody: You'll live far longer and make your grandma very proud in the bargain.

**Dear Howard,**

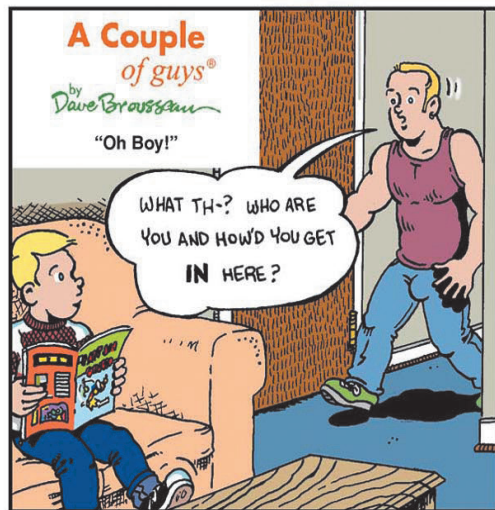
I think I may be addicted to porn: Most nights, when my early-riser husband's asleep, I'll squander two, or even four *hours* mindlessly surfing "homosexual extreme" pornographic sites — really, really raunchy, perverted, out-there stuff: leather bondage, fisting, W/S, scat, electro-play, vacuum pumping, even barebacking. Can you recommend, maybe, a local therapist for such of a disease? — **Judas**

**Dear Judessa,**

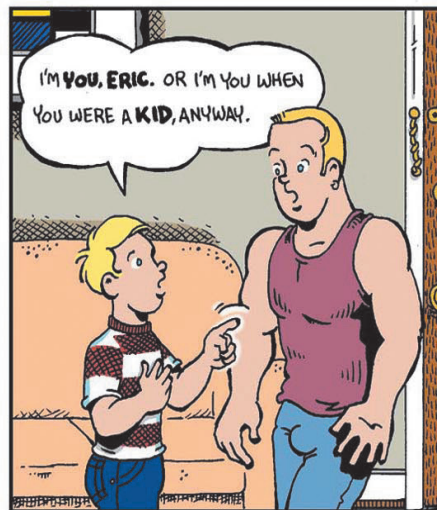
"Out-there stuff?" Sweet Jesus, what kind of fundamentalist, American horror story were you raised in? In any case, Girlene, there is no "disease" of addiction to pornography: You are simply mesmerized by what others have absolutely zero shame in doing for general-public viewing, is all. Nothing else comes into play here, whatsoever — that is, dumbfounded, sexually-arousing "astonishment" does not require, in any way, psychiatric therapy.

— **Howard Lewis Russell**

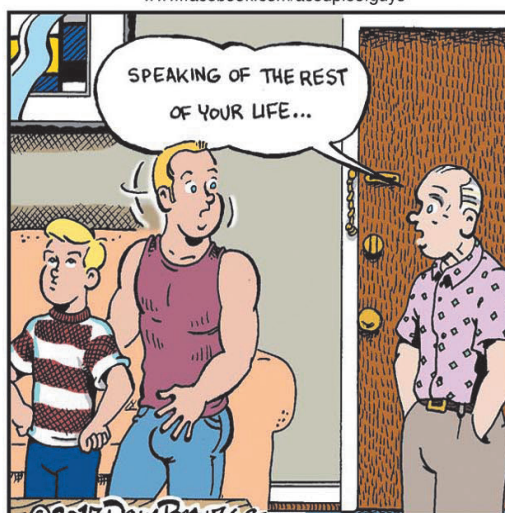
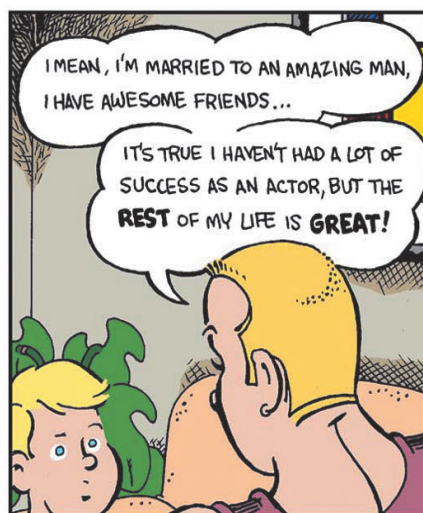
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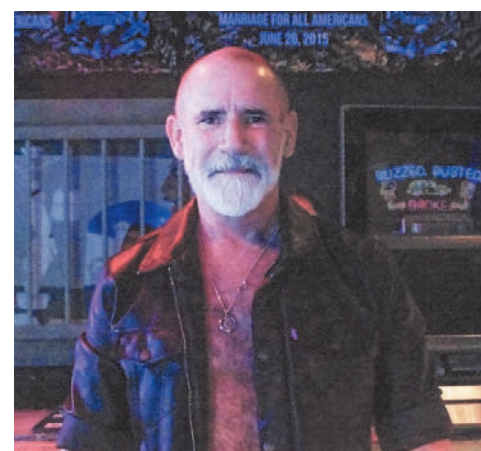
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- **Mable Peabody's:** **Karaoke** on Saturday.
- **Marty's Live:** **Poker** at 3 p.m. on Saturday. \$100 prize.
- **Round-Up Saloon:** **Voice of Pride semi-final** on Sunday.
- **Sue Ellen's:** **Going Native** on Saturday. **Kathy & Bella** at 3:30 p.m. followed by **Lauren Alexander** on Sunday.
- **The Rose Room:** **Jasmine Masters** on Friday-Sunday.
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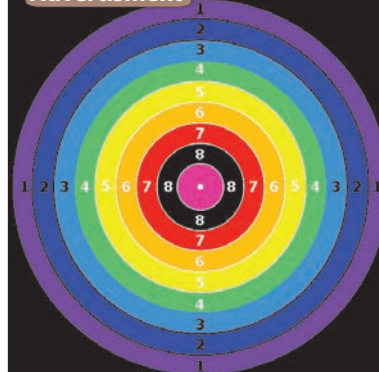
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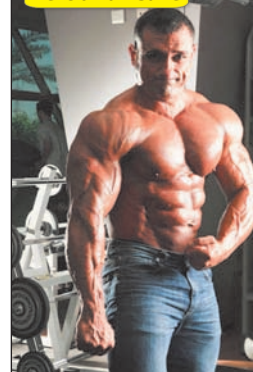
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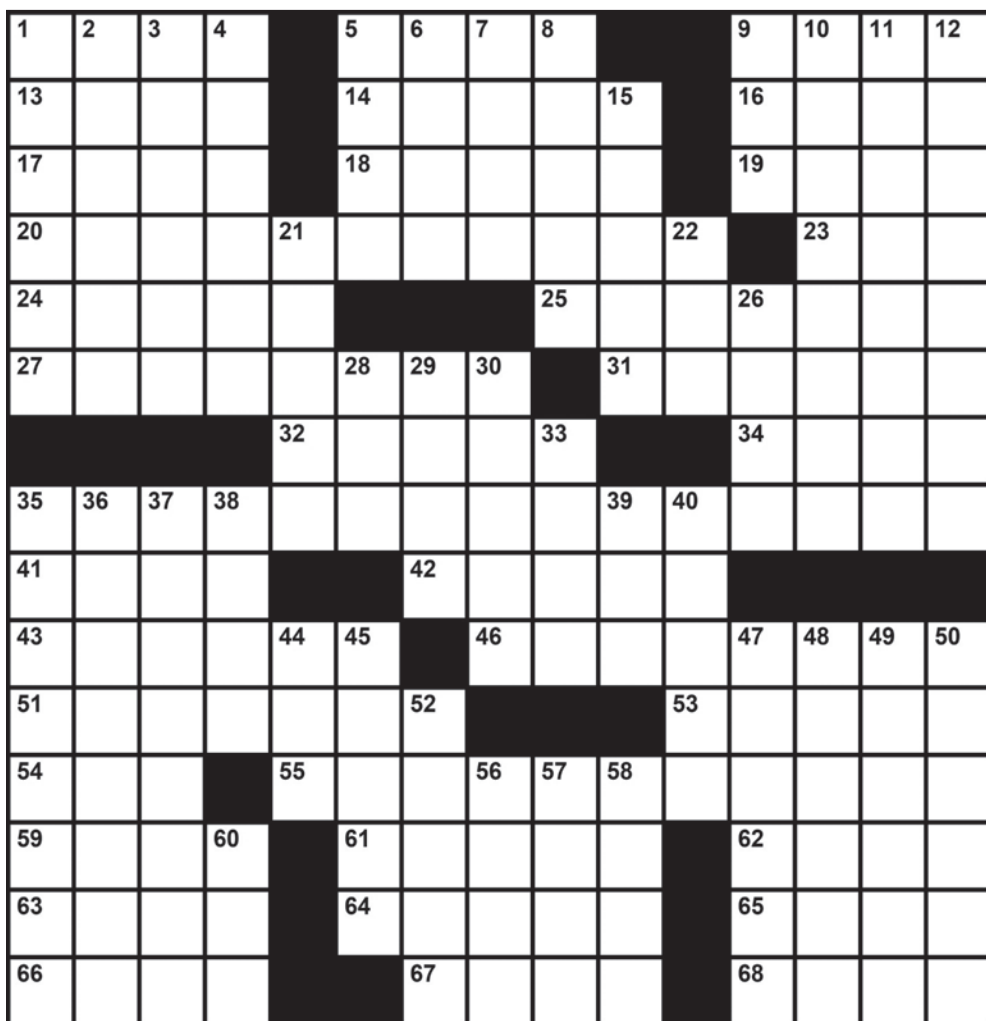
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### Across

- 1 Superman portrayer  
Dean
- 5 "\_\_\_ On Down the Road"
- 9 Lickety-split
- 13 Poet Seward
- 14 Like the menagerie of  
Tennessee
- 16 "What \_\_\_ thinking?"
- 17 Say "So Long, Farewell"
- 18 Place for a G-string
- 19 If not
- 20 Start of a quote about  
Marlon growing maize?
- 23 Foaming at the mouth
- 24 It tops a queen
- 25 Diva's problem
- 27 Hans Christian of fairy  
tales
- 31 Just the same
- 32 Beckett no-show
- 34 Jockey's handful
- 35 Movie of this puzzle's  
quote
- 41 Place for pansies
- 42 Simple kind of question
- 43 Like a careless man's  
condom
- 46 Top athletes

### Down

- 51 Fruitcake
- 53 Position, in religion
- 54 Collection suffix
- 55 End of the quote
- 59 Crack the whip at, e.g.
- 61 Poet Dickinson
- 62 Mapplethorpe model,  
often
- 63 City near Tulsa
- 64 Prepare to get plucked
- 65 *The Unicorn* author  
Murdoch
- 66 Fairy particles
- 67 Feel (for)
- 68 Match parts, to  
Navratilova
- 1 Heads, to Caesar
- 2 Prop for "I have a  
headache tonight ..."
- 3 Serious encroachment
- 4 Temperament
- 5 "How queer!"
- 6 *Summer and Smoke*  
heroine
- 7 Car from Sweden
- 8 Name on a drag queen's  
compact
- 9 Shock's partner

### 10

- 10 *Giant* actor
- 11 Margaret Cho show
- 12 Eastern U.S. region
- 15 Drawn-out assault
- 21 Frequent online claim
- 22 Mo. to elect pro-gay pols
- 26 Ooooooookla., once
- 28 Spill one's seed
- 29 Singer Anita
- 30 Short messages
- 33 HIV exam, e.g.
- 35 Prepared to become a  
breeder
- 36 Mork's sign-off
- 37 Seismic sea waves
- 38 "For \_\_\_ jolly good ..."
- 39 Gene's makeup
- 40 Loud, to Copland
- 44 JFK posting
- 45 Tool for cutting carrots
- 47 Mauresmo's game
- 48 Bear
- 49 Go over again
- 50 Burnout cause
- 52 Lily Tomlin, for one
- 56 Talk show cohost
- 57 Glenn Burke, formerly
- 58 Daly of *Judging Amy*
- 60 Summer hours in N.Y.C.

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