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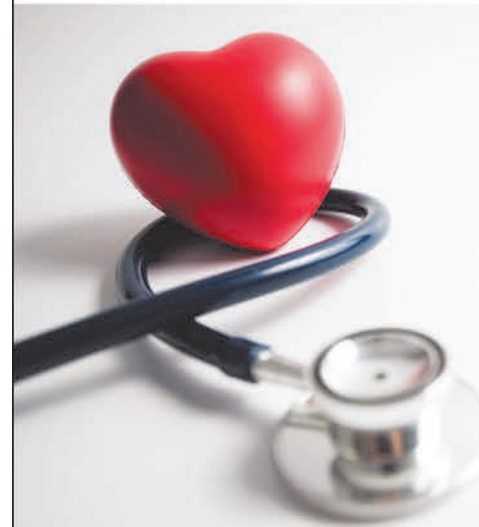
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Gay candidate running for Fort Worth City Council



As noted in a Feb. 24 article on local elections, Fort Worth is adding two council seats, and while the city hasn't had any LGBTQ representation since Joel Burns sat on the council, a gay man is running for one of the two new seats.

Rick Herring is one of five candidates who have tossed their hats in the ring for the new District 11. It's a Hispanic majority seat, but with five candidates, Herring has a chance to get into a runoff. Best known of the other four candidates is Jeanette Martinez, who's the number 2 person in Tarrant County Commissioner Roy Brooks' office. The other candidates are Tara Maldonado, Ricardo Avitia and Christopher Johnson.

— David Taffet

Carrollton Pride-HumanTexas announces 2023 Pride Festival

Carrollton Pride-HumanTexas' 2023 Pride Festival will be held Saturday, June 3, from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Horizon Unitarian Universalist

Church, 1641 W Hebron Parkway in Carrollton, organizers announced this week.

Carrollton Pride-HumanTexas will also host a Meet the Candidates forum Wednesday, April 12, at 7 p.m. at Horizon UU Church, featuring candidates for mayor and city council in Carrollton's upcoming city elections.

— Tammye Nash

Dallas Pride grand marshal nominations open

Nominations are now open for grand marshals for the 2023 Dallas Pride Alan Ross Texas Freedom Parade, the 40th anniversary parade happening Sunday, June 4, at Fair Park.

Nominations are open through March 17, and the public will vote March 24-April 14 at DallasPride.org. Grand marshals for the 2023 parade will then be announced April 21. Submit your nominations at DallasPride.org.

— Tammye Nash

Trans student files complaint against Frisco ISD school board member

A transgender Brownsville student filed a complaint via email against Frisco ISD trustee Marvin Lowe after a panel discussion at a state edu-

cation conference, according to a report by the Dallas Morning News. Because the student was 16 at the time, they are unnamed in the story.

After the panel, Lowe allegedly approached the student and began a rant about genitals that included, "Men like to walk around naked with their junk hanging around," according to the student's email. He repeated that and said his own children do that. He talked about men getting aroused.

The student's mother intervened and told Lowe he needed to stop the very inappropriate discussion. When that didn't stop him, one of the organizers intervened and finally got him to leave.

Lowe won his seat on the Frisco ISD board with the endorsement of 1774 Project PAC, whose description on Twitter says, "We are a PAC that helped elect over 100 un-woke school board members last year, and we're only just getting started."

— David Taffet

Adoptable / DEHYA



Meet **Dehya**, a super-sweet domestic shorthair mix with an unusual coat of many colors. She is just under 2 years of age and is a dainty 8 pounds. She came to the SPCA of Texas as a stray and had kittens. The kittens are now cared for, and Dehya needs to find

a good home of her own. Since she was on her own for so long, it takes a minute or two for her to trust a new person, but when she does, it's cuteness galore from there on out. Dehya is housed at the SPCA of Texas Dallas Animal Care Center.

Adult dogs and cats are normally a \$75 adoption fee from the SPCA of Texas. Puppies and kittens under the age of six months are \$150. Adoption fees vary for small mammals, equestrian and livestock. Fee includes spay/neuter surgery, age-appropriate vaccinations, a heartworm test for dogs six months and older and a FIV/FelV test for cats four months and older, initial flea/tick preventative and heartworm preventative, a microchip, 30 days of PetHealth Insurance provided by PetHealth, a free 14-day wellness exam with VCA Animal Hospitals, a rabies tag and a free leash. The Jan-Rees Jones Animal Care Center is open to the public seven days a week, noon-6 p.m. Appointments are required for foster animals and animal housed in the Russell E. Dealey Animal Rescue Center. Please browse available animals at SPCA.org/FindAPet and visit SPCA.org/DogAdopt to inquire about a dog or SPCA.org/CatAdopt to inquire about a cat.



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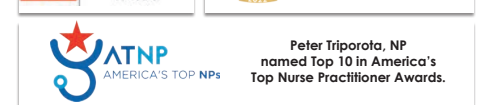
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proper vaccination, as there is no cure for it. The distemper vaccine has a very similar vaccination schedule as the parvo vaccine.

The third common vaccine for dogs is the Bordetella vaccine, also known as the “Kennel Cough” vaccine, which protects against the Bordetella bacteria. This organism is one of many that cause the contagious respiratory disease, and while the vaccine may not completely prevent the disease, it usually helps in avoiding significant complications from it.

The Bordetella vaccine only prevents infection with that bacteria, not the other organisms that can cause Kennel Cough, but this vaccine — usually given after eight weeks of age and usually repeated for six-to-12 months — is still highly recommended.

After the recent canine influenza outbreak we have seen in the DFW area, we are also recommending that pups that may be exposed to other dogs in parks or in boarding or grooming facilities get the canine influenza vaccine annually. This protocol includes the initial vaccine and a booster after three-to-four weeks. The ideal vaccine protects against two strains of the virus, and it is important to check whether your veterinarian has it, as it has been in backorder status recently.

Of course we cannot forget about the rabies vaccine, which is administered to both dogs and cats. It prevents infection with this deadly virus that is transmissible to humans, and the Texas Department of State Health Services re-



Bienvenidos, Dallas Voice readers! I hope you are doing well, and thank you for taking the time to read my monthly Woof column. This time around, we are talking about the common vaccines available for our dogs and cats. It is important to note that different doctors have different vaccination protocols, but most of us follow a similar protocol.

As always, I am a fan of “less is more,” and I believe that some vaccines should only be administered based on lifestyle needs. But make your decisions based on a conversation with your veterinarian.

The most common canine vaccine protects against parvovirus, a lethal virus transmitted through stools of an infected dog. Parvo attacks the inner lining of the stomach and intestines of unvaccinated or not fully vaccinated dogs, especially puppies and younger dogs. An infected dog will usually show lethargy, lack of appetite, vomiting and/or bloody diarrhea.

These poor babies need medical attention right away and, once diagnosed through testing, will most likely need hospitalization, as they often succumb to malnourishment and dehydration fairly quickly.

The virus itself can live in the environment for months, which is why we strongly recommend quarantining pups at home until after they are fully vaccinated. The parvo vaccine is usually administered at 6-8 weeks of age and given every 3-4 weeks until four months of age. Afterwards, it is administered either yearly or every three years, based on age and lifestyle.

The canine parvovirus vaccine will almost always be combined with an important vaccine against another lethal virus: the canine distemper vaccine. Canine distemper is transmitted mostly through saliva, including sneeze and cough droplets from an infected dog or animal that may carry the virus. This virus, which mainly affects the respiratory and nervous systems, can only be prevented with

quires dogs and cats to be vaccinated against rabies by four months of age. If an unvaccinated dog or cat is involved in a bite incident where a human was injured, it may unfortunately lead to challenging quarantines that may be stressful for both parents and pets.

This vaccine is administered annually or every three years, based on multiple factors.

Other than the feline rabies vaccine, our kitty vaccines include the feline distemper vaccine, a combo that protects against multiple contagious organisms that cause respiratory and gastrointestinal diseases. This vaccine is usually started after six weeks of age and it is administered every three-to-four weeks until four months of age, then every one-to-three years long term.

Lastly, we can also vaccinate against feline leukemia, a contagious virus for which there is no cure and which affects the immune system of our cat friends. Before this vaccine is started, we perform a quick blood test to make sure they are negative (free of infection from the virus) and then the vaccine series can be started as early as eight weeks, followed by a booster three-to-four weeks after. This vaccine may be recommended annually for life, based on lifestyle.

Please be aware that there are more vaccines available for our dogs and cats (includ-

ing the important canine Leptospira vaccine), but the vaccines discussed here are the most common ones. Based on your baby’s lifestyle, some vaccines may be recommended over others.

When it comes to vaccine reactions, the most common ones are slight lethargy and soreness at the injection site. These usually go away within a couple of days. More concerning reactions include excessive vomiting/diarrhea, facial swelling, hives and even collapsing. These reactions can be life threatening and should be immediately addressed by a veterinarian. Thankfully, we do not commonly see these reactions nowadays.

It is important to remember that most vaccines are not considered 100 percent effective. But they still have a vital function, and we always recommend them, based on your pet’s lifestyle.

As always, I hope I have been able to share some valuable knowledge and if there is anything else you may want to learn, feel free to contact my hospital, and we will gladly answer your questions, or make consult with your veterinarian. Thank you and big abrazos for everyone!

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OPINIONS FROM THE COMMUNITY

Not all are welcome

Lawmakers' refusal to acknowledge LGBTQ chambers signals dangerous anti-business trend

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"No matter where you're from, we are all Texans, and we've come together for the next 140 days to work on behalf of our state," Secretary of State Jane Nelson said when opening the 88th Texas Legislature. "But remember this: As Texans, we all agree on much more than any differences we might have."

But judging by the actions of the House and Senate on Valentine's Day, Secretary Nelson may need to refine her statement to exclude LGBTQ+ Texans.

Texas LGBTQ Chambers of Commerce, a coalition of the Austin, Greater Houston, North Texas and San Antonio LGBT chambers of commerce, gathered in Austin on that day to meet with our elected officials. Many business groups, advocacy groups and others organize

Day at the Capitol-type events each session to engage with legislators and participate in the legislative process. These visits are often recognized with a House and/or Senate resolution.

Since Jan. 10, more than 230 resolutions have passed. These include House Resolution 157, recognizing Texas Court Reporting and Captioning Week, HR151 commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Bolivar Point Lighthouse, and Senate Resolution 165 recognizing the current Miss Texas.

These resolutions recognize, commemorate, congratulate or memorialize individuals, organizations and local governments across our great state who work to make Texas a better place. These resolutions are not submitted to the governor for signing or filed with the secretary of state. They rightfully acknowledge citizens and organizations working to keep the Lone Star State prosperous, innovative, growing and welcoming.

However, the Texas LGBTQ Chambers of Commerce, its member businesses and communities were denied these same resolutions due to the threat of objection by one House representative, whose hate also infected the Senate.

As our members waited in the gallery, we witnessed several other chambers receiving formal resolutions. These chambers, which do remarkable work in their communities, absolutely deserved this recognition — as did the Texas LGBTQ



Secretary of State Jane Nelson

Chambers of Commerce.

Our group is comprised of hardworking LGBTQ+ and allied business owners and employees. We forfeited time at work and time with our families on Valentine's Day. We traveled to Austin, as tax-paying, red-blooded Texans, ready to have meaningful conversations with our legislators.

Not only were we denied formal recognition, but we were also stripped of our dignity as we sat in the gallery applauding Miss Texas, Texas Rangers and the other welcomed groups.

In short, we were treated as second-class citizens by the very people we pay with our tax dollars, even though, like many other Texans, we are business leaders and job creators. We give our time and money to make our communities and this state a better place to live and work.

The opposition to these resolutions is unacceptable, hateful and harmful not only to LGBTQ+ Texans but also to our economy. The National LGBT Chamber of Commerce reports that LGBTQ-owned and certified businesses (known as LGBTBEs) have added \$1.7 trillion to the U.S. economy. In addition, we have created more than 33,000 new jobs. Diverse-owned businesses are a vital component of our state's economy.

The legislators who opposed these ceremonial resolutions put themselves, their ideology and politics above the business owners sitting in the gallery, our more than 1,000 member companies across the state and, quite frankly, the entire LGBTQ+ community.

We deserve better. We deserve the same dignity and respect afforded to other Capitol visitors, constituents and humans.

LGBTQ+ Texans will no longer be political punching bags for hateful elected officials. We are ready to stand up against the more than 75 anti-LGBTQ bills already filed this session. These bills, no matter the topic or title, are a hateful attempt at dehumanizing the LGBTQ+ community in our state. And they are more than rhetoric. Proposed legislation like this has real-life consequences for LGBTQ+ people.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention released a new report on adolescents' mental health in the U.S. that found that more than half of LGBTQ+ students are experiencing poor mental health, 45 percent have seriously considered attempting suicide, and more than 20 percent have attempted suicide in the past year (Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance Data Summary & Trends Report; 2011-2021 CDC.gov/healthyyouth/mental-health/index.htm).

When students see the hateful actions targeting the LGBTQ+ community, such as on Valentine's Day in Austin, through direct legislation or even in the classroom, the devastation is overwhelming.

Since the introduction of the "bathroom bill" in 2017, there has been a steady growth in the number of anti-LGBTQ and, more specifically, anti-transgender bills filled in the biennial legislature. Maybe it is coincidental, but students experiencing persistent feelings of sadness or hopelessness increased from 28 percent in 2011 to 42 percent in 2021.

Employers, employees and students currently living here or considering the move are highly concerned about these trends. The actions of our governor, lieutenant governor and other elected officials are and will continue to be a factor

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Openly gay scientist Garry Nolan is well-known and respected as a professor of microbiology and immunology. He's also one of the government's go-to experts on UFO

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Dr. Garry Nolan is the director of the Stanford NHLBI Proteomics Center and professor of microbiology and immunology at the Stanford University School of Medicine with more than 300 research articles, including more than 120 peer-reviewed papers, to his credit. He holds 40 U.S. patents and has been honored as one of the top 25 inventors at Stanford University. Nolan, who has been with his husband Timothy for 20 years, is considered by many to be among the world's foremost immunologists, and this year he has been nominated for a Nobel Prize.

But it is his work and outspoken position on UAPs — Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena, better known as UFOs — that has put him in the spotlight recently with all the talk of “Chinese bal-



The Atacama Desert ‘alien’ skeleton, above, and Dr. Garry Nolan, left

loons” and unknown objects being shot down by the U.S. military. His work on UAPs has also secured the ears of many in Congress and the intelligence community, with whom he has worked since 2012.

I recently spoke with Nolan regarding his work and insights into UAP/UFO phenomena as well as his status as an openly gay scientist and LGBTQ rights advocate.

Jeff McKissack: What is your earliest recollection of being gay and what was

your personal coming out experience?

Garry Nolan: At 21, during my junior year at Cornell, I had a girlfriend [who] wanted to go to [what I] later learned was called a Tea Dance. I had no idea where we were going or that such a thing existed. When I got on the dance floor, I noticed that I was the only guy there dancing with a woman. It wasn't until I got back to my fraternity and was sitting on my bed recollecting my feelings regarding the experience and it literally popped into my head, “You're gay.” And that was it — no fanfare, no drama, just that immediate realization and self-acknowledgement.



In retrospect I did start putting things together and, at one point, humorously said to myself, "Well, all your best friends 'are' really good looking."

I think this is why it has always been difficult for me to relate to so many others who I know struggled in their own coming out experience. For me, it simply happened. My coming out literally took place in a moment, and I never looked back.

Do you feel this self-recognition and coming out experience hindered or empowered you in your professional achievements? How so? I think being gay is something that those in the majority of society around you don't accept, but you come to accept for yourself. It becomes a matter of just pushing through, saying to others, "I will not allow you to shame me, and, if anything, I am going to shame you. I have an objective. I know I'm right, and I know I'm not doing anything wrong, so get out of my way." And that same kind of attitude is how I do my work.

Many times people tell me either I shouldn't be doing something, or there's a certain type of research or experiment that others tell me won't work, and I say to myself, if not to them, "No, I know it will work. Get out of my way."

[It] goes to back to my experience with the gay community in that it allows my creativity to flow, because you're not constrained by someone else's boundaries. And this means that intellectually, culturally, or socially you can reach beyond those boundaries and find new solutions.

What have been your areas of involvement or activism within the LGBTQ community? I was in the laboratory with Leonard and Leonore Herzenberg who developed the first instrument used to count T-cells. It was the principle system used to evaluate those with HIV. Our senior programmer was what we all would refer

to today as a "leather daddy," who is still today a brilliant mathematician and computer scientist and himself was diagnosed with HIV in the early days.

I got involved in ACT UP's Golden Gate chapter as they wanted someone to teach immunology to the activists so they would be competent in the information they were articulating to the community. I wasn't involved in any of the marches or similar but contributed in the way I knew I could and a way that was unique. I also went to the first World Conference on AIDS in Paris just to learn all I could.

Later I ended up in a lab at MIT with David Baltimore, the Nobel Prize winner of Nobel Prize winners. My project was to clone the protein that is part of the activation process for HIV, so I did that. So I'm proud to be a gay man who cloned the activating factor that binds to the DNA in the cell of HIV and turns it on.

How did you become active in the current UAP/UFO issue and community? Who first "came out" to whom? I had an early experience in my childhood as well as a sighting of my own at age 12 as a paperboy out on my route early one morning with something going over my head. So I guess they came out to me first. But in retrospect it all came together, much like my experience being gay. It was an "Oh, that's what it was" moment.

But I didn't act on it until I started looking around on the internet and going down the rabbit hole looking at videos on YouTube, which only made me more confused. It wasn't until my involvement in studying the Atacama Skeleton [a skeleton found buried in the Atacama Desert back in 2003 rumored to be alien] where I was allowed to apply science [to the subject]. I was able to decisively put it to rest as, unfortunately, it was the skeleton of a pre-term young girl who had died due to a genetic deformity. But it was my way

of sending up a flag to say I am a scientist with a reputation who is willing to do true science, including peer review, on this type of "fringe" topic.

It worked. Others then working within the government and intelligence community started reaching out to me, the "inner crew" driving the narrative we see playing out today. As I showed myself more and more being able to do credible science in the area, I have been dragged further and deeper into the reality of this phenomena.

Unfortunately I cannot talk about some of the stuff that is obvious, but all you need to do is look at the information coming forward from the government right now, including 12 U.S. senators — bipartisan — saying this topic needs more funding following our recent Chinese balloon and unknown objects being shot down. What has changed is that we have been able to create a framework and open the aperture of the detection modalities the United States already had, but begin now looking for other things formerly being missed — including a Chinese balloon and three unknown objects.

Is there a challenge of misinterpreting what is being said or communicated

regarding the current UAP/UFO phenomena? Well, yes. Chinese balloons are not UFOs, for example. When scientists talk to each other they assume that the listener knows what they are saying is tentative. But when the media quotes you, they quote you as you said it, therefore you are claiming it. You just have to keep your eye on the goal. It's not a matter of belief, and it's not a matter of conclusion; it's a matter of do you believe the data is real. And if you believe the data is real, then how would you explain the data?

Don't just shoot down my ideas. If you want to be a real scientist, you need to participate in this discussion. I use shame now on the scientists who are skeptics saying, "You essentially took an oath when you got your Ph.D., and that oath was not to come to prior conclusions, not block conclusions and not take data off the table. If you are going to do that, then give back your Ph.D., because now you're a cultist or priest, not a true scientist.

It's not about making people believe something, but having people understand the implications of what the data could mean that opens the right types of discussions.

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BEHIND THE CURTAINS

TV star Michael Urie directs Uptown's 'Silver Foxes' world premiere

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These days, Michael Urie can be seen on AppleTV+'s literal psychological comedy *Shrinking*. But currently — like at this very moment — he's been helming Uptown Players' world premiere of *Silver Foxes*, a new play written by *Golden Girls* scribes James Berg and Stan Zimmerman.

The show opened Thursday night, March 3, at Theatre Three's black box stage and runs through March 12. The cast features BJ Cleveland, Leslie Marie Collins, Edson Montenegro, Jon Morehouse and Robert San Juan.

A Plano native, Urie has been mixing the professional and personal while he has been back home in North Texas, hanging out in familiar territory here while also serving as director for the new production.

Prior to opening night, the actor, director and producer talked with Dallas Voice about being back in Dallas to direct, his new show *Shrinking* and why it was OK for this author to fanboy a bit.

Dallas Voice: OK, I'm just going to get the fanboy part out of the way. I'm reluctant to bring up old work, but *Ugly Betty* truly was so profound to me as a journalist, a Latino and a gay man that it still resonates with me at least in deeper ways and because of the entire cast — not just the title character.

Michael Urie: I never get tired of hearing how people loved that show and what it meant to them. It was stylish and funny but also so aspirational. It was such a sweet time. I think that's why it's held up and still inspires people.

Thanks for indulging that. You're back here in Dallas to direct this show for Uptown. How did this all come to be?



Michael Urie, center, directs actors Robert San Juan, left, and BJ Cleveland in tech rehearsals for the world premiere of *Silver Foxes* at Theatre Three. (Rich Lopez/Dallas Voice)

I have known about Uptown Players for a long time. They started right after I left Texas, and so I heard about them through the grapevine. But I've also co-hosted the Column Awards here, which they would be included in. I met Jeff Rane, and we had just been in touch over the years.

I love what Uptown is about. A queer-based theater — that's so cool. I love the idea of cities having these LGBTQ companies. I think they are pioneers, and I always wanted to work with them.

There's a lot of connections here already for this particular show that everything around this seems meant to be. Stan has been my go-to writer whenever I'm hosting stuff. We've hung out, and he's helped me come up with jokes. He told me he wrote this play with James. Then they asked me to come on, and we had this reading in Los Angeles. Jeff caught wind of it, expressing interest in the show, and they flew out to see it.

When you got here, did you dive right into work, or did you have time to get reacquainted with Dallas? It was pretty quick once we got here. There's a lot to directing a play. Acting is a lot of concentrated energy, and this is less so. But there's lots

more to do and a lot more decisions to make as the director.

Is there an added pressure to directing a world premiere? I think there is. There's no precedent for it, so we are making this thing work. We think it works anyways. This is the first time it is produced and actually alive. I want the audience to love it, and I want our actors to be comfortable and the writers to be happy. I've been in a lot of world premieres, but directing one does have its differences. We're kind of inventing the road map here of *Silver Foxes*.

If people don't know, you have a deep relationship with theater, not just TV and film. I try to see as much theater as I can when I come to Dallas. There's such a rich scene. The cool, subversive theaters like Kitchen Dog Theatre and Undermain were always on my radar. I remember seeing BJ Cleveland in *Noises Off* at Theatre Arlington.

Now you're directing him in *Silver Foxes*! I used to watch BJ when he showed cartoons on television. I had known who he was for so long, and when I saw him at Theatre Arlington, you know, he was that "guy from TV." He was a star. He's so

good and hilarious in this role. I feel like he's doing something a bit different here — all of them really. It's an honor to work with him, and I'm lucky that everyone in this cast is amazing. They are all great people and very inventive and imaginative. Being an actor, I'm lucky to work with such great actors on this.

I just want to shift gears a bit and ask about your new show *Shrinking* with Jason Segel and Harrison Ford. How has that experience been? Yeah, what a cool opportunity for me — and kind of out of the blue. It was a little less than a year ago this project came my way. I loved *Ted Lasso* and was excited that [producers] Bill Lawrence and Brett Goldstein were doing something new. I sent in an audition tape, but I stopped thinking about it. A month later, they didn't ask for a screen test, and I was cast. It was just very cool and they have such faith in me.

You play Brian, a lawyer and best friend to Segel's character Jimmy, a therapist in grief. Did you relate to this character personally? This show is about a bunch of straight guys and a very hetero world. What is really cool about it was that they wanted authenticity. The writers



Jason Segel, left, and Michael Urie play best friends in the AppleTV+ show *Shrinking*. (Courtesy AppleTV+)

have looked to me and encouraged me to be authentic, which is so smart and generous of them. The role fits like a glove. They made him from Texas, and we portray this gay/straight friendship which is a real thing.

It's really an adult show. Probably the most grown-up show I've been a part of. We're dealing with real grown-up shit and mature themes about mental health care, so I think it's very timely. We're coming out of several years of tragedy, and this show is about grief which is a tricky fucker.

You came to prominence in *Ugly Betty* at a time when gay characters and representation were riding a wave: *Will and Grace*, *The L Word*, *Queer Eye for the Straight Guy*. Two decades later, we see you on a new show as

a queer character. What's different for you though, from that time to this? That arc has changed a lot. I think *Will and Grace* and *Ugly Betty* paved the way for *Glee*. No one was really out save for Ellen, but then Neil Patrick Harris came out.

The unfortunate thing about showbiz is there's a ceiling to success if you're not willing to talk about your personal life, but I was also being told I shouldn't so that I wouldn't be pigeonholed with gay characters. Now, I've played dozens of gay characters in all kinds of projects, and we wouldn't be talking now if I hadn't.

Preach! Lastly, how does it feel for you now to come back to Dallas? Over the years, I tried to take any gig that took me to Dallas. My parents don't live here anymore, and my home base has really been New York. But I do love it here. When I did *Buyer and Cellar* I had the producers add Dallas to that tour. I mean I grew up in Plano, and it's not the same as Dallas, but it's cool being here. I am letting my accent come back being around my friends. There's this jovial nature here that I love. I have this cute Airbnb in Uptown, brought my dog and got my Tex-Mex fix. This hasn't been my home for 20 years, but I feel very comfortable here.

For tickets to Silver Foxes, visit Uptown-Players.org.

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ON THE ROAD

Quick trips far and close with nicer weather coming

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Spring is on the horizon, and that can surely inspire those travel plans that have been simmering since the holidays. Assuming the cold will be gone (Damn you, climate change!), and the spring collections are out, it's time to start figuring out a fabulous few days away.

From loud and proud to quiet and local, here is a trio of options to put on your radar.

FAR

June 2-4: WeHo Pride and the OUTLOUD Music Festival

For this year's WeHo Pride Weekend, the three-day outdoor music festival OUTLOUD will feature some heavy hitters. Legendary icons, pop princesses and New Gay Wavers will perform in West Hollywood this summer.

"After a successful festival at WeHo Pride 2022, JJLA is extremely excited to bring the OUTLOUD Music Festival back to West Hollywood this year," Jeff Consoletti, JJLA founder & CEO — and the event's executive producer — said in a press release. "OUTLOUD is all about bringing queer voices into the limelight, and we're honored to bring another exciting lineup of queer artists to WeHo



Tanglewood Resort in Denison is close enough for a weekend getaway

Pride this June."

Along with the music festival, WeHo Pride Weekend will include many free events such as its weekend Street Fair, the annual Dyke March, the Women's Freedom Festival, and Sunday's WeHo Pride Parade.

WeHo Pride this year will kick off on

May 22, which is Harvey Milk Day. The launch will also include the beginning of the 40-day-long WeHo Pride Arts Festival through June 30.

Launched in 2020 as a virtual concert series, WeHo Pride's music centerpiece has featured queer musicians such as Adam Lambert, Sofi Tukker and VIN-

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CINT, and it has blown up since turning into an in-person festival with big names. This year's headliners include Grace Jones and Orville Peck on Saturday and Carly Rae Jepsen and Passion Pit on Sunday.

Friday's details have not yet been announced.

Saturday's lineup will also include Santigold, Yung Bae, Blue Detiger, Kylie Sonique Love and others. Among Sunday's performers are LaRoux, Princess Nokia, Rubio and Kat Cuning.

"Pride starts here in West Hollywood," West Hollywood Mayor Sepi Shyne said in the festival's announcement. "I'm so excited to welcome everyone to WeHo Pride 2023. The OUTLOUD festival lineup is incredible, and there will be a wonderful range of community programming during WeHo Pride Weekend and throughout Pride season, starting on Harvey Milk Day on May 22 and running through the end of June.

"There will be something for everyone at WeHo Pride. I can't wait to celebrate our amazing LGBTQ community!"

For updates and tickets, visit WeHoPride.com.



Orville Peck is one of this year's headliners WeHo Pride's OUTLOUD Music Festival

CLOSER

Spring Break: Tanglewood Resort in Denison

Located less than two hours north of Dallas/Fort Worth, Tanglewood Resort is close enough for a quick getaway but also just far enough away from home to offer some different scenery. The resort overlooks Lake Texoma and boasts amenities such as two restaurants, three cocktail lounges and an 18-hole championship golf course designed by golf legend Arnold Palmer. With its recent announcement of Spring Break events, this may be an easy option for time away

with the family.

The resort will host events and activities for the young ones such as bowling, bucket golf and movie nights as well as special events like the Glow Pool Party.

Adults can get in on some outdoor fun as well with horseback riding, lake sports, golf or just chillaxing at the onsite Tranquility Spa.

Plus, Eisenhower State Park is always an option. Or, if you get a wild hair, rush up there for tonight and Saturday night's 80's Murder Mystery Dinner Party.

For more information, visit tanglewoodresort.com.

CLOSE

Through Nov. 30: Kimpton Pittman's Stay Human campaign makes the most of a staycation

If you wanna have a whole adventure without the whole flying or road trip thing, be a tourist right here in Dallas. The Kimpton Pittman Hotel makes that easy with its new campaign that launched in mid-February.

Guests can book a Stay Human package where they can select from a list of curated experiences. You'll get to discover

er — or rediscover Dallas — in a whole new way. The experiences are one per room with a three-night minimum.

Select packages include:

- **A Breath of Fresh Air:** Visit the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Gardens with transportation provided by the hotel and exploration tips by the concierge.

- **A Taste of Texas:** Visit the Ascend camp in southwest Dallas for an outdoor day of activities with a picnic basket by the hotel chef.

- **Deep Ellum Mural Tour:** Guests will enjoy a tour of the murals with a personalized map. Includes Grab & Go lunch, sunscreen kits, Kimpton bikes and hydration.

- **One Step-Two Step & Shuffle:** This experience includes a pre-game food and beverage credit at Kimpton Pittman Hotel's signature restaurant, Elm & Good and concert tickets to the Factory in Deep Ellum.

- **A Touch of History:** Take a walking tour with the hotel's Stay Human concierge to learn about the hotel's history and tickets to the African-American Museum.

See all the packages available at PittmanHotelDallas.com.



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in people choosing to contribute to our state.

The actions of our state's leaders start to tell the story that "Texas is NOT open for business and not open to all."

There are two possible endings to this tale. In one, nothing changes, the state's growth slows, and businesses, unable to attract the necessary talent, leave for greener pastures. In the other, Texas becomes the model of a welcoming state, and the Texas economic miracle continues.

Let's not candy-coat what happened on Valentine's Day. It hurt like hell.

But the work of the Texas LGBTQ Chambers will continue. Our members are a critical part of our state and economy. We applaud our chamber members — from the smallest startups to the biggest brands — for being active in our state's economy, government and culture. Their steadfast support fuels our commitment to our community and to the next generation of LGBTQ+ individuals and entrepreneurs. ■

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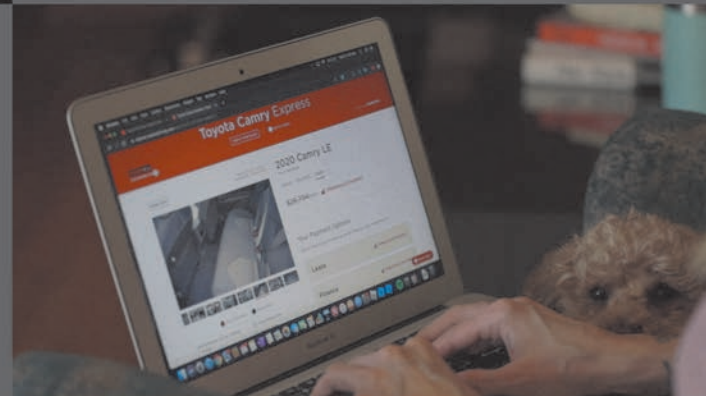


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Budget Town Hall Meeting Schedule

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PARTICIPATION INFO

Monday, March 6

6:00 p.m

Council Member Jaynie Schultz
District 11

In Person

Prism Center (D11 Community Office)
5580 Peterson Lane, Suite #175
Dallas, TX 75240

6:00 p.m

Council Members
Jesse Moreno, Adam Bazaldua,
and Paula Blackmon
Districts 2, 7, & 9

Joint/In Person*

Harry Stone Recreation Center
2403 Millmar Drive
Dallas, TX 75228

6:30 p.m

Council Member Paul E. Ridley
District 14

Virtual*

Find details on how to join by scanning QR
code or visiting bit.ly/dallasbudgettownhall

6:30 p.m

Council Member Casey Thomas, II
District 3

In Person

Thurgood Marshall Recreation Center
5150 Mark Trail Way
Dallas, TX 75232

Tuesday, March 7

6:00 p.m

Council Member Chad West
District 1

In Person*

Kidd Springs Recreation Center
711 W. Canty Street
Dallas, TX 75208

6:00 p.m

Council Member Jesse Moreno
and Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Omar
Narvaez Districts 2 & 6

Joint/In Person*

KB Polk Recreation Center
6801 Roper Street
Dallas, TX 75209

6:00 p.m

Council Member Adam Bazaldua
District 7

In Person*

Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center
2922 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
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6:00 p.m

Council Member Adam McGough
District 10

In Person

Forest Green Branch Library
9619 Greenville Avenue
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Tuesday, March 7

6:00 p.m	Council Member Gay Donnell Willis District 13	In Person*	Walnut Hill Recreation Center 10011 Midway Road Dallas, TX 75229
6:30 p.m	Council Member Tennell Atkins District 8	In Person*	Singing Hills Recreation Center 6805 Patrol Way Dallas, TX 75241
6:30 p.m	Council Member Paula Blackmon District 9	Virtual*	Find details on how to join by scanning QR code or visiting bit.ly/dallasbudgettownhal
7:00 p.m	Council Member Cara Mendelsohn District 12	In Person	Renner Frankford Branch Library 6400 Frankford Road Dallas, TX 75252

Thursday, March 9

11:00 a.m	Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn King Arnold District 4	In Person	Beckley-Saner Recreation Center 114 W. Hobson Avenue Dallas, TX 75224
6:00 p.m	Council Members Jesse Moreno and Paul E. Ridley Districts 2 & 14	Joint/In Person*	Samuell Grand Recreation Center 6200 E. Grand Avenue Dallas, TX 75223
6:00 p.m	Council Member Jaime Resendez District 5	In Person*	Dallas College - Pleasant Grove Center 802 Buckner Blvd Dallas, TX 75217
6:30 p.m	Council Member Tennell Atkins District 8	In Person*	Janie C. Turner Recreation Center 6424 Elam Road Dallas, TX 75217

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What was your initial reaction — curiosity or skepticism? Why and/or what changed? I had already come to a realization that there was something worth paying attention to, and it shouldn't be dismissed. But when the CIA showed up at my office in 2012 it was a WTF moment. You're saying people had been harmed, and you need my help? But they came to me because they needed blood analysis, and my equipment was the most cutting-edge on the planet.

I thought about whether this was something I should do but also considered the possibility that I was being duped, that it was all a candid camera moment. I was an avid fan of science fiction and have always been inspired by my reading in this area, particularly if it had to do with aliens. So I found it fascinating to be put in this place where I was actually being allowed and asked to now study this phenomena by the military and intelligence communities. And had I not sent up that earlier flag regarding the Atacama Skeleton, noting my willingness to take a serious look at strange phenomena and do serious science on it, I'm not sure that would have taken place.

Since your involvement in the subject of UAPs, what has been your overall reception within the academic community at Stanford as well as the larger academic/scientific community to the phenomena? The earliest reaction was "Garry, what are you doing?!" But for those friends who showed more legitimate concern, I challenged them with, "Well, what scientist takes actual data off the table?" Many respected this approach.

But as it spread through the academic and scientific community that I was looking into the phenomena, it turned out it was the only thing people wanted to talk about at dinners. I'd give a talk at Harvard or Yale or wherever and go out to dinner, and by the end of the first drink it was, "What's going on here, Garry?" And in those groups, it seemed to give people the opportunity to open up and say, "Well, I once saw this."

And now, just in the last year, I get constant emails saying, "Garry, you know you were right." And my humorous response to them has been, "I know I was right; I am always right!" And here we are today, a place that we never thought we would be with the president of the United States now setting up an interagency task force on UFOs. It seems the White House is not pleased that it is not getting the information from the Department of Defense —

particularly the Air Force — that it should be getting. And so now it is opening the aperture, basically saying to the DOD that we are not going to let you control the outcome of all of this. We want more transparency.

Where do you see the pushback? Maybe you've heard of this, but some of the groups within the DOD most adversarial are Christian fundamentalists who think

studying but who are afraid, for them there is a "coming out." But as more and more step forward, it makes the process easier as there is obvious strength in numbers. I have counseled more than a dozen academics on how to talk about it, how to walk that fine line, how to address those who challenge you and in what common areas, the rhetoric and the verbiage best used and most accepted as

First, the upside is that someone out there has managed to evolve beyond us without blowing themselves up. Second, we have cosmic older brothers and sisters who are wiser and gone through some things that could help benefit us. Third, they may also contribute to our own non-material or spiritual development in the universe.

Obviously there is a material, technological



An image from video provided by the Department of Defense shows an unexplained object from 2015.

this is the devil. I think the way to deal with this from the religious perspective is that this doesn't — or shouldn't — diminish anyone's perception of God; it should actually enlarge it. This has been our approach with some of the same perceptions in Congress. And in some cases we had to position the issue around a potential military threat to get them engaged.

But once we get the nuts and bolts of this tied down, there are side issues that can then be worked on. Because whatever this is, it is both material and non-material, a form of consciousness, which of course plays into a lot of native subcultures and mystical subcultures that have spoken to this for centuries if not millennia. For me it is about how I reinterpret such teachings into more modern scientific language to further build those bridges.

Do you see the way that scientists and academics are "coming out" to you today related to the UAP phenomena having a parallel to the LGBTQ coming out experience? I think for scientists, for those who have come to that inner realization that there is something worth

well as how to present it. So I absolutely see a parallel in a common "coming out" experience, whether it is being gay or being scientifically interested in the UFO phenomena.

What has been your husband's response to your involvement in this arena as well as media notoriety for this particular subject matter? He's from a small, rural town in Texas, so early on his response was, "If this shit ever shows up at the house, I'm going to f'ing kill you!" But now, being exposed to credible people and credible information, I hear him talking to others, lending his own acceptance of the reality of the phenomena. But there were plenty of eye rolls in the early days.

As far as cultural or societal issues go, do you see the UAP phenomena and the attention it is receiving in government as well as the media as a distraction or something significant regarding its potential cultural or societal impact? Why or in what way(s)? There is always going to be something to someone that is more important. For anyone who is in the echo chamber, they are convinced already.

benefit to us given their understanding of physics, thus giving us advancement in the same for ourselves. The pushback comes from the realization that we're no longer at the top of the food chain regarding intelligence.

What do you think we can look forward to regarding future disclosures over the coming year? Do you see more of the scientific community rallying behind such research in this endeavor? How so? I hope so. That's the reason more money needs to be applied, and it was the focus of the letter from the Senate to the DOD, saying basically that maybe some more dollars should be spent to investigate this area further. That's a positive thing, that more money is being given to this research, but also that more agencies are opening up to more scientific involvement is additionally a positive thing, also allowing for scientific funding to the topic as it has been siloed for decades.

The biggest problem today is that Group A with Piece A doesn't talk to Group B with Piece B, yet one is a part of the other.



A map of locations where unidentified objects have been shot down in U.S. airspace this year

But due to so much jealousy, classification and over-classification, it doesn't become science anymore. Science is at its best a gestalt, or takes a gestalt approach.

Now, as a matter of new federal law, scientists outside of the DOD will see more involvement, and that's a great thing as there are many talented people who can lend their expertise to the phenomena as well as those on the inside.

Do you see any particular areas of interest that those within the LGBTQ community should take interest in or pay attention to related to the UAP phenomena?

I think those who have gone through a conversion of their own can take that experience and energy to engage people in this topic as well. It's not exactly the same, but there is a parallel. I know for me, I would get really mad when people would bully and mock others due to their experience with this phenomena, it really pissed me off. You shouldn't do that to people when they are coming to you with an open heart and experience, and then you mock them, which can only traumatize them further.

Again, there is a parallel that some in the LGBTQ community can identify and even empathize with regarding those who have

experienced something within the UFO community.

Any final thoughts? I think things are going in the right direction, but expect the unexpected. Certainly with the whistleblowers now coming forward with protections afforded to them by the National Defense Authorization Act recently signed into law, they have extraordinary stories to tell. I consider myself knowledgeable, but some of the things I've heard, I've thought to myself, "How are people going to deal with this?" But at the same time, if it isn't going to take food from your table, enjoy the ride!

Let's just understand this is part of nature, and if we are to understand our role in nature, this is simply a part of it. And for those over many decades who faced ridicule and mockery for what they experienced, this has got to be incredibly validating for them, and we should be happy for them in this regard. But there's much, much more to come. Stay tuned.

Jeff McKissack is a national speaker in the field of security and a long-time UFO enthusiast who presents to groups and organizations around DFW on this same topic. Email him Jeff@DefenseByDesign.com for more information.



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Candy Marcum, pictured, a longtime advocate for LGBTQ rights and a counselor specializing in LGBTQ family therapy, joins Michelle Peak and Poppy Xander as speakers at Sapphic Sanctuary: Celebrating Women & LGBTQ Life in DFW, a fireside chat with wine, cheese and conversation at 6 p.m. Thursday, March 9, at the Community Center, 5750 Cedar Springs Road.

- Red for community events
- Blue for arts and entertainment
- Purple for sports
- Green for nightlife
- Orange for civic events and holidays

■ **Biweekly: Hope Cottage Foster Parent Information Meeting**

Hope Cottage holds information meetings for those interested in becoming foster parents. The meetings are held alternately on Saturdays at 10 a.m. and Thursdays at 6 p.m. For information email Clyde Hemminger at chemminger@hopecottage.org.

MARCH

■ **March 3-4: 'Wood/Shop'**

Bruce Wood Dance presents new works by company dancers at 7 p.m. at the Bruce Wood Dance Studio. Tickets at EventBrite.com.

■ **March 3: 'Drag Race' viewing party**

Macarena and Pinche host a weekly viewing party for season 15 of *RuPaul's Drag Race* each Friday from 7-9 p.m. at The Round-Up Saloon, 3912 Cedar Springs Road. Visit the Facebook event page for details.

■ **March 3-5: North Texas Irish Festival**

The annual North Texas Irish Festival brings music, dance and culture to Fair Park Friday from 6-11 p.m., Saturday from 10:30 a.m.-11:30 p.m. and Sunday from 11:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$15; see NTIF.org for more information.

■ **Through March 4: 'On Your Feet'**

Broadway at the Center presents the story of Gloria Estefan. Winspear Opera House, 2403 Flora St. ATTPAC.org.

■ **March 5: Fly Queens Drag Brunch**

Mesa Mezcal presents The Fly Queens hosted by Liquor Mini from 1-3 p.m. at Mesa Mezcal, 400 W. Las Colinas Blvd., Irving. Reservations on Open Table.

■ **Through March 5: Kitchen Dog Theater: 'Man Cave'**

This regional premiere is a political thriller by queer playwright John J. Caswell Jr. that centers on four women who take over a Republican politician's man cave and turn it into a sanctuary. Trinity River Arts Center, 2600 N. Stemmons Fwy. KitchenDogTheater.org.

■ **March 6: Blood Drive**

The office of Dallas County Commissioner District 4 Dr. Elba Garcia and Carter BloodCare are joining forces to host a Dallas County Blood Drive from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Dallas County Records Building, 500 Main St. All donors will receive an insulated water bottle and a souvenir from Commissioner Garcia while supplies last. Visit GreatPartners.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/138953 to schedule an appointment.

■ **March 7: Classic Chassis**

Classic Chassis Car Club meets 6-8 p.m. at Ojeda's, 4617 Maple Ave.

■ **March 8: Same-sex spouse grief group**

Grief support group for people who have lost a same-sex spouse or partner meets on Zoom on the second Wednesday of the month from 6:30-8 p.m. For notifications, contact Richard DeKnock at tastefullyrichard@gmail.com.

■ **March 9: Sapphic Sanctuary: Celebrating Women & LGBTQ Life in DFW**

A fireside chat with Resource Center featuring Candy Marcum, Michelle Peak and Poppy Xander. Join for wine, cheese and conversation from 6-7 p.m. at the Community Center, 5750 Cedar Springs Road.

■ **March 11: NOH8**

Add your face to the fight for equality. Adam Bouska returns to Dallas for a photo shoot from 2-4 p.m. at the W Dallas - Victory Hotel, 2440 Victory Park Lane. \$40 single. \$24 per person couple or group. NOH8Campaign.com.

■ **Through March 12: 'To Die-Go In Leaves'**

Cara Mia Theatre devised this production inspired by Frida Kahlo's paintings and biography. Get tickets for the English or Spanish versions at CaraMiaTheatre.org.

■ **Through March 12: 'Silver Foxes'**

Uptown Players presents a premiere by *Golden Girls* writers James Berg and Stan Zimmerman about three older queer men who save their best friend from his facility. Presented on the Theatre Three stage. UptownPlayers.org.

■ **Through March 12: 'Beautiful'**

The Carole King musical at Casa Mañana, 3101 W. Lancaster Ave., Fort Worth. CasaManana.org.

■ **March 16: Log Cabin Dallas**

Log Cabin Republicans meets with happy hour at 6 p.m. and a presentation at 7 p.m. at Mattito's, 3102 Oak Lawn Ave.

■ **March 16-19: TBRU 27: Deadly Sins**

Dallas Bears presents TBRU 27: Deadly Sins. Texas Bear Round Up returns to the Hyatt Regency. TBRU.org.

■ **March 17: St. Patrick's Day**

■ **March 18: Back to the 80s Gaybingo**

Gaybingo at 6 p.m. Play for a chance to win cash and prizes. Station 4, 3911 Cedar Springs Road. Tickets at myresourcecenter.org/gaybingo.

■ **March 18: Love Equality**

In the 88th Legislature, anti-LBQT hate is a priority among some extremist politicians. Love Equality 2023 supports Equality Texas from 8-11 p.m. at Crozier Hall, 2218 Bryan St., Suite 105. \$100. EqualityTexas.org.

■ **March 22: Same-sex spouse grief group**

Grief support group for people who have lost a same-sex spouse or partner meets in person on the fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:30-8 p.m. at a restaurant or coffee shop. For this month's location, contact Richard DeKnock at tastefullyrichard@gmail.com.

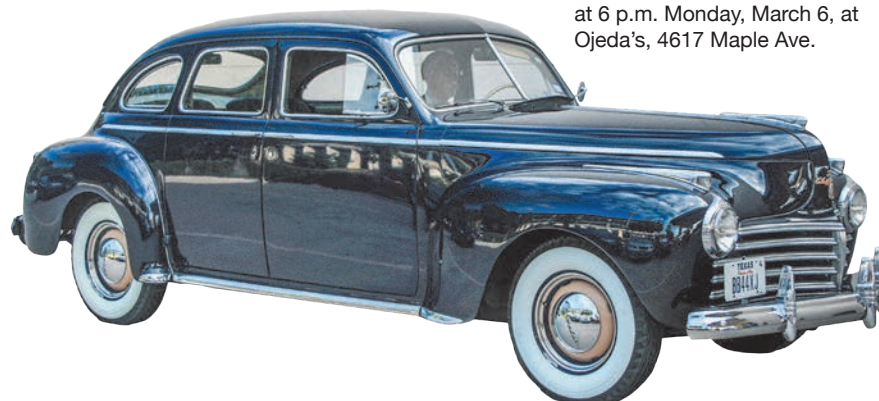
■ **March 25: AIDS Walk South Dallas**

An estimated 30,000 people are living with HIV in Dallas County. Live Out Loud is this year's theme for this year's 5K AIDS walk that steps off from Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 2922 MLK Jr. Blvd. AIDSWalkSouthDallas.com.

Have an event coming up? Email your information to Managing Editor Tammye Nash at nash@dallasvoice.com or Senior Staff Writer David Taffet at taffet@dallasvoice.com by Monday at 5 p.m. for that week's issue.

Look for extended listings online at DallasVoice.com

Classic Chassis Car Club meets at 6 p.m. Monday, March 6, at Ojeda's, 4617 Maple Ave.



Jenny Block

GIRL ON GIRLS

Face your fears and say yes

“Do one thing every day that scares you.” Eleanor Roosevelt is credited with having said that. I don’t know if the credit is correct, but I know the sentiment certainly is. And I waited way too long to start taking that advice. I was always the bench sitter, the coat holder, the seat saver. I never did the things; I watched the things. I documented the things. I witnessed the things.

But I never ever did them. I was scared of everything. My mom was super afraid of everything, and I wore that fear like a suffocating blanket: That horse could throw you off. That hiking trail could trip you. That ski lift could dump you. That amusement ride could break you in half. It’s no fun to do anything when you have to lie in order to participate, and the specter of doom is constantly hanging over you. So I just said no. To everything. Then one day, just after I turned 40, everything changed. I was waiting in line to get on Splash Mountain (RIP) at Disney World with my daughter and then-girlfriend, and we had reached “the point of no return,” where those just keeping the line waiters company need to leave the line or commit to riding. They begged me to ride, and as I was protesting, I saw the dreaded “mom” bench out of the corner of my eye. It was filled with exhausted moms covered in spilled drinks and discarded snacks and weepy children.

I looked back at all of the people in line so excited to ride, and I thought, “This is



your life, Jenny Block. Where do you want to live? On the rides or the benches?” So I went on that ride and that led to the year of yes and, after that, the life of yes. If an opportunity presents itself, I jump in feet first. It’s been amazing and terrifying and life-changing. I continue to find myself challenged and tempted to offer to hold the bags and phones. But then I take a deep breath and rappel off the 20-story building and dive in the pitch-black sea and ski down the steep slope and climb the sheer rocks. I’ve gotten pretty good at making myself do the adventurous things. But what I still have trouble with is doing the things that are scary for other reasons. Like the things I’m afraid I won’t be strong enough to do, or the things I’m afraid I’ll be too grossed-out to do, or the things that I’m afraid I’ll embarrass myself while doing. I recently had the chance to really test



myself on those two points. I was staying in Zihuatanejo in Mexico, a magical and oft-overlooked destination not far from Ixtapa. I was staying at the swanky Thompson, which is how I found myself confronted by my most recent “will I or won’t I” moment. Chef Javier Garcia Cerillo is the executive chef at the property, and he was, much to my surprise, the reason for my most recent “challenge accepted” moment. I didn’t expect a few days at any luxury resort would present any challenges barring which fabulous cocktail to order or whether to lounge on the gorgeous beach or at the fabulous pool. But when I met Chef, the whole tenor of the trip changed. He said I could. And I listened. So I did. It all started when we set out to go deep sea fishing. I found myself a comfy spot on the boat with no intention of actually fishing. But when Chef got a big one on the line, he called me over. All that familiar fear started rushing in.

“I can’t pull that in,” I said. “You can do it. I’ll help you,” he said. Those are my favorite magic words. I was still scared — scared I wasn’t strong enough; scared I would lose the fish.

In other words, scared I’d embarrass myself.

So, just like I’ve been doing since the inception of the year of yes, I told my inner critic to sit down and shut up, and I reeled that fish in (with Chef’s help, of course).

At that point, I figured I had done my one scary thing for the day. But when we got back to the resort, Chef asked if I wanted to clean the fish we had caught. I did not want to clean the fish. The fish was huge. The knife was massive. I had no clue how to do it. Plus all of those blood and guts! I was scared of how I would respond. But Chef held out the knife for me and said, “You can do it. I’ll help you.” And I could. And he did. I slit it open. I pulled out the guts with my bare hands. I let the blood cover my hands. And I filleted that fish. That night, we ate that fish in a zillion different ways that Chef made for us, and I felt so grateful — grateful for the opportunity to confront the things that scare me (most of all failing) and grateful for Chef and all of the instructors and guides and masters and friends who have said, “You can do it. I’ll help you” over the years. Now I try every day to do something that scares me, whether it’s adventuresome or gross or embarrassing or whatever. I finally — finally! — am not missing out. I’d challenge you to challenge yourself to take a stab at whatever scares you. Like my dad always said, “You’ll never get a hit if you don’t take a swing.” And ever since I said yes to Splash Mountain, it feels like it’s been nothing but home runs.

this week’s solution

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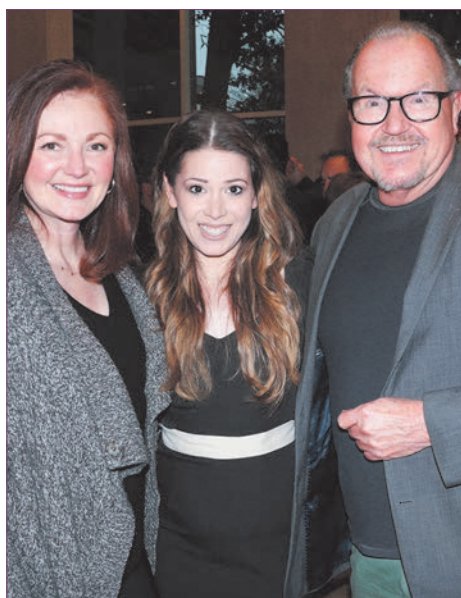


DFW Sisters canonize Edna Jean at Alexandre's



Larry the Fairy chats with Edna Jean, aka Saint Anna Bortion

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The King (queen) of Mardi Gras Gaybingo

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- 29 Elton John wears them
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- 35 End of the description
- 37 Klinger on *M*A*S*H*
- 39 Foam at the mouth
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- 42 B'way hit sign
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- 9 Part of PB&J, for Mitch and Cam
- 10 Area far from home, for Glenn Burke
- 11 Tired of your first mate?
- 12 "Good" cholesterol
- 17 Taunt with homophobic slurs, e.g.
- 18 Fruity cobbler and such
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- 25 Life-beach connection
- 28 Pronoun for King James
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- 35 Moons of Uranus, for example
- 36 Name in a Beach Boys title
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