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So far in Seguin Today, we've looked back on City manager Steve Parker's first year on the job, we've checked out local foodie faves, and even hit the river in only a few short months.

Life moves fast, but taking a moment to step back and enjoy the good things like a warm meal or accomplishing a long time goal is often necessary to improving mental health, and can do loads to improve an individual's well-being. May is Mental Health month and in this issue we appreciate the good things in life by going on a ride-along with Meals on Wheels where hearts are touched daily.

Then we take a look inside the historic F. Klein Opera house downtown, where the Seguin Art League is in the process of renovating to open an art gallery and educational space dedicated to creativity.

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Members of the Seguin Art League gathered for a photo in front of their historical building's original brick wall, which was sourced in Seguin in the 1800's.

Photo by Lizz Daniels

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Making Lunch Count.

Volunteers cook up
love, compassion plus
friendships while on
Meals on Wheels route

Story & Photos by Cindy Aguirre-Herrera

They say the most important meal of the day is breakfast but for many seniors and homebound residents here in Seguin, it is lunch that perhaps has become the most important meal of “their” day.

Seguin Today recently jumped into the passenger seat of one of the volunteer vehicles for the Meals on Wheels Program.

Seguin Today wanted to experience more of the behind-the-scenes efforts of these volunteers who literally take the wheel each weekday and deliver trays of hot food to local residents throughout Guadalupe County.

Not only do volunteers ensure that folks are eating but they are also ensuring that they don’t go days without having any human interaction.

Clocking in at 9:13 a.m. Friday, volunteers pull up into the parking lot of St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church to begin loading their assigned pair of ice chests – each ice chest is packed with warm food that just moments before had arrived from the program’s home base in New Braunfels.

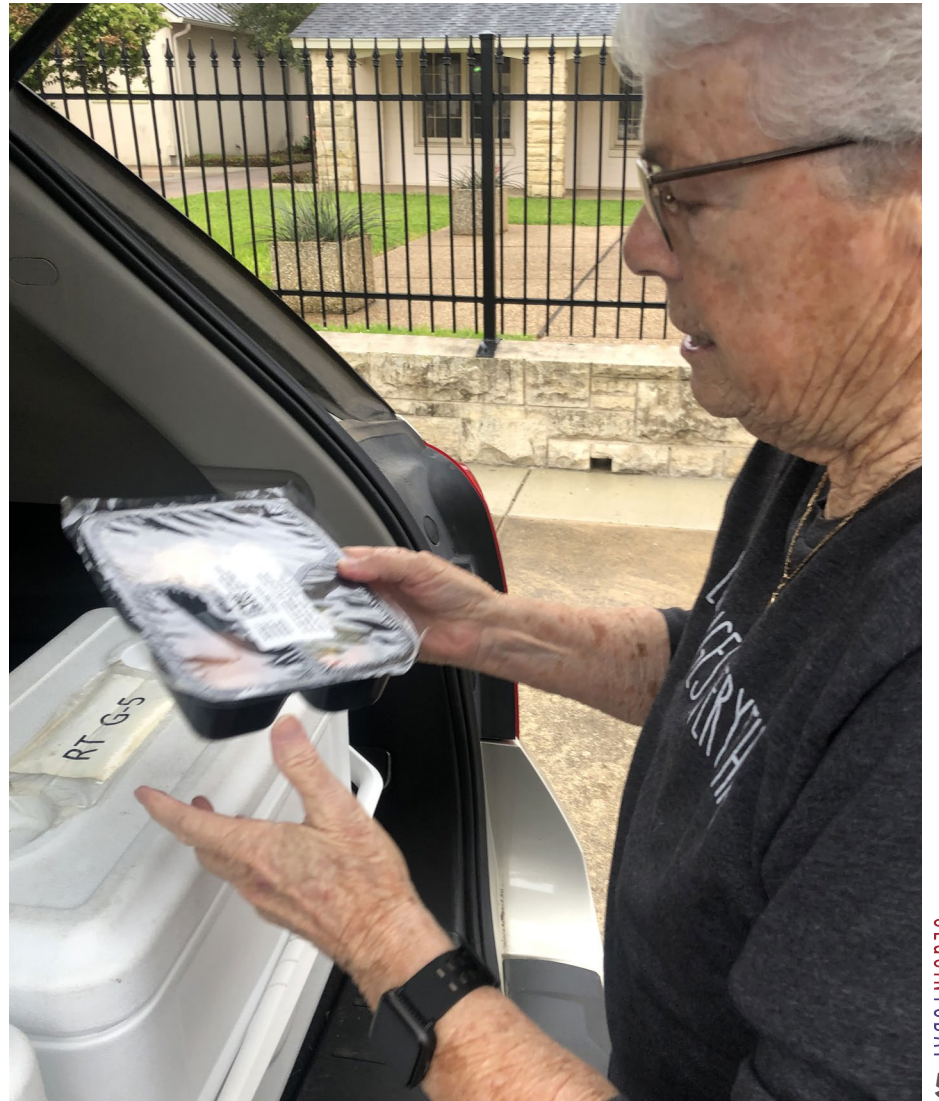
With eight stops in that day’s schedule for Route 3, Route Coordinator Darrell Huck and his wife Cassie paired up in what they say was a “rare occasion.” Although this rarity in traveling together was sparked by Seguin Today’s invitation to join the couple – the two quickly assumed their roles and went to work.

It was Darrell’s job to check off the list of residents in the back seat while Cassie drove and handled each delivery. The task at hand for Route 3 was ensuring 11 meals in eight stops.

Following their first stop on Walnut Street and then a pair of deliveries at the door at the Summers Bend Apartments, Cassie found herself entering the Magnolia Street home of local resident Charles Smith as he sat there comfortably on his recliner. As expected, Smith was excited for Cassie’s visit and also openly welcomed the visit by Seguin Today.

“It’s a wonderful program, a nice program and nice waiters that work for them,” said Smith. “They don’t miss the 10 o’clock time. They are here.”

After learning that the following day would be his birthday, Cassie



immediately went outside to grab Darrell as she knew that he would want to come in and not miss the chance of wishing Smith a happy birthday.

The timing for the delivery was also perfect as we ran into Smith's daughter, Maggie Harris, who happened to stop by to check on her dad. Harris says like most other family members, she appreciates the program and those volunteers who help make it happen.

"It helps me out as far as if I'm not able to get here and get him something to eat, then they knock on the door. We leave the door open for them. They come in. He gets his meal. So, it helps me out a lot," said Harris. "He loves them coming in. All of them know him. He enjoys that he gets to see someone else."

In between their scheduled stops, the Hucks shared their own willingness to go that extra mile for the program. Cassie who retired as a Seguin ISD school librarian in 2008, says she herself understands the benefits that this program affords families.

"But we have a history of Meals on Wheels. My sister and her two little girls did it for several years before they went to school and then my parents used Meals on Wheels and my dad handicapped – they were in their 90s. It was really good for my mother. She had immaculate degeneration and couldn't see very well. (My sister) wanted the girls to learn that there are folks out there that needed help," said Cassie.

Next on the list was a delivery for a couple on Oak Mott and then onto a particularly good chat with the Ballantines at Seguin Manor. Originally from Michigan, the couple, John and Patricia, say they found their way to Seguin after being forced out of Rockport by Hurricane Harvey.

When asked about the Meals on Wheels Program, Patricia says she has plenty of appreciation for all those who help make the program work especially those who work for free in making sure meals are delivered each day and on time.

"It's been a God saver for us, a lifesaver. It has helped us immensely. We eat better meals and the people that we get to see are so precious. They are God's children, and they show their love to us and that makes us feel so much better, like we count! We are not just stuck in the corner," said Patricia. "They are blessed little angels."

Patricia says she believes that they might even be extra lucky. She says when you have a route driver like Cassie, how can someone's day go wrong?

"She's a blessing for sure. Look how happy she is and she projects that back on us and that is a big lift (for us)," said Patricia.

Now, before saying our good-byes, Patricia was sure to stop Seguin Today at the door to include the couple's own thank you to their new hometown.

"We are elderly and usually the elderly gets pushed back in a lot of places but not in Seguin. They are put up front. We are very blessed," said Patricia.

That Friday's roadmap had us continue onto Berkeley Street and then onto Eastridge Parkway. Throughout the next few neighborhoods, Cassie spoke in preview about one of the residents who she has come to admire. She says although everyone you deliver to is different, how you befriend them is always the same.



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This especially holds true for this one special lady on her route -- a lady who Cassie is always thankful to serve.

"She is just so cute. She puts on make-up every day. She makes me feel bad," chuckles Cassie. "The neighbor said I don't know if she's going to like this or not so she said this may not last very long but so far so good."

It's those last-minute changes to a route, however, that are often the most difficult for any driver. Such was the case at the next stop. After just having mentioned how this resident has been on her list since the very beginning, Cassie returned to the driver's seat with a bit of bad news from the woman's son.

"He said she has full-time dementia now and she is blind, and she is 96 and he said, 'we are going to have to put her in a nursing home next month probably,'" said Cassie. "Aw, tough! I've only seen her one time from a long distance away and I've been doing this for three years."

Now although some may just see the volunteer program as a door-to-door service, most if not all local Meals on Wheels drivers in Seguin approach their deliveries as an opportunity to do more.

Just recently, volunteers came together for one man -- a man that Darrell says deserved all the help that he could get from his Meals on Wheels family.

"We had a man -- it almost brings tears to my eyes when I think about James. It was during the cold weather week and the driver the day before that the tragedy happened, he found out that he was sleeping in his truck because he could not get enough heat in his house and he was alone but then a day later, his trailer caught fire and he happened to be in his truck. It didn't bother him, but it destroyed everything he had. His five kitty cats burnt and died in the fire and he had nothing left," said Darrell.

He says after learning the news, the local team of volunteers immediately came together giving him the assistance that he deserved.

"We got the word out to our Meals on Wheels drivers and we raised money. We got clothing donated. We got gift cards and so we said we have to find him a place. He couldn't afford living in a motel and it just so happened that one of our drivers, she happened to have a property in Marion, so

she volunteered to let him stay there," said Darrell.

Stories of friendships, however, aren't just limited to Route 3. Kathy Yandell of Route 5 says she has enjoyed delivering like clockwork each week for three days -- Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Yandell who also started driving when the program began three years ago, says it's a great use of her time.

"I'm retired. What else am I going to do? And I have all I need to eat so I can provide something for somebody else to eat. I am sometimes the only person these people see all day long when I bring their meal," said Yandell.

Yandell says not knowing where residents go when routes change is probably the hardest part of the job. She says lucky for her, she has been blessed to come across some very amazing and unforgettable people.

"I had one lady at Eden Place Apartments. Now, she's gone off the route and I don't know what has happened to her. She was 100 years old, and she writes a check periodically to Meals on Wheels. You don't have to. They are free but she would write a check. Well, she made it out to Meals on Wheels. I gave it to Larry, the driver and he said, 'I can't accept it.' He says we don't have an account. It has to be the Comal Senior Citizens Center, not Meals on Wheels. So, I took the check back to her and I said, we are going to have to redo this check. She said, 'what the hell?' And, then I said, we need to initial it and she said 'well, if they don't take that, then the hell with them!' chuckles Yandell. "I thought that's the kind of woman I want to be at 100-years-old. And I've had so many other funny stories and I've had some other sad stories, but I will never forget that woman."

Like Yandell and the Hucks, Judy Neighbors, the driver for Route 1, is also a familiar face for residents in the McQueeney area. Neighbors says on her route, she ensures a warm meal daily for six to seven residents.

"These people become like family and when they are not on our route anymore, we really are concerned about what happened to them. It's really hard to find out what happened to them because legally, I don't think we are supposed to research or do anything like that," said Neighbors. "But



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there are some people who like to visit. There was one lady who was on our route that she was lonely, and we sometimes spend 10 minutes visiting with her at her door because she just didn't have anybody to visit with."

Neighbors says while volunteers are the ones delivering the meals, it's the drivers who in the end reap most of the benefits.

"Mostly, it's the appreciation. They won't say it every time but every so often someone will say thank you. They give us a hug. They are just like 'thank you so much for doing this for us. We really appreciate it.' And, you know, some don't have a lot of human contact every day and it means a lot to them to have someone come to their door and actually talk and visit with them for a few minutes," said Neighbors.

It's only been a short three years since the program resumed operation in the county. Prior to being under the current umbrella of the Comal County Senior Citizens Foundation, the program was run by the Community Council of South-Central Texas. During the program's temporary halt and transition to the Comal Senior Citizens Foundation, the future of the program was questioned. However, thanks to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church and other church supporters, the program was fully resurrected in Guadalupe County serving dozens and dozens of people each week.

Now while she does not humbly take credit for helping to facilitate the quick mobilization of volunteers three years ago, volunteer Karen Wallock is given that credit by everyone else in the program. After first learning of the need for volunteers on Seguin Radio KWED, Wallock says it didn't take her very long to warrant her time to the program. Thanks to her knowledge of SignUp Genius, a software tool for volunteer management, Wallock says she was welcomed on board and has seen the program go from 20 to 60 drivers.

"The beauty of using SignUp Genius is that volunteers can drive whenever it's convenient for them. They are not locked into a particular day or route and simply sign up when they choose. It is

one of the most rewarding 'gigs' in town! I seldom drive a route, but when I do, the clients are so grateful to have their meal. I have been blessed way beyond my expectations every time I drive," said Wallock.

Not only is it one of the most rewarding 'gigs in town as she mentioned, but Wallock says it's also one of those very few ways to connect your faith with your actions.

"Many, Bible verses come to mind when doing volunteer work, but Micah 6:8 has been my guiding verse for a long time," said Wallock. "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"

Returning to that day's events on that Friday, the Hucks finally found themselves wrapping up their route at 10:42 a.m. at the Pecan Villa Apartments. There, they were greeted by one of the newest residents to be added to the route or as Cassie stated, 'one more person to know and love.' Like the rest of the volunteers, the Hucks returned to the downtown church to drop off their now empty ice chest. Those ice chests were left behind so that tomorrow, they are again filled with another day of giving.

It should also be pointed out that even throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and during the one-week historic Texas winter storm in February, these volunteers never once quit for their efforts were quickly realized as being "essential" – "essential" to our friends, our neighbors, and our family members.

Meals on Wheels is available to homebound individuals 60 years and older who qualify. A home visit will be required. Others with special needs may also be eligible if funding is available. To inquire about the program contact Donna Burkett at 830-629-4547.

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Art League begins renovation on historic downtown space

Story & Photos by Lizz Daniels

Local art lovers are transforming the Seguin Art League's downtown location into a show gallery and educational center in the hopes of becoming the small town art capital of Texas.

The deafening sound of saws and hammers makes walking into the building feel more like heading into a hardware store than an art gallery, but an artist can see past the noise.

Art League president Clara Mae Marcotte and VP Development Liz Romero say the renovation will help make art more accessible to locals.

"Our mission has always been to connect Seguin with the arts," Marcotte said. "Our long mission is to bring local artists together for mutual inspiration and advancement of the arts."

Art, it seems, has always been a part of the human experience. It is an expression of beauty, a way to commentate on the world, and perhaps most importantly, an expression of individual creativity. According to Marcotte, it doesn't take being an artist to participate in and benefit from art.

"Just looking at art, watching other people work with it is relaxing," she said. "It settles your emotions and fulfills needs that you didn't realize you had and personally, I think it ties the natural world into the creative world in a way that is necessary to each of us."

104 S. Austin St. was built in 1890 and first known as the F. Klein Opera House. According to the Art League's website, it was the most

extravagant of Seguin's Opera Houses and housed a billiard parlor, bakery, and saloon.

The Art League purchased the building in 2014 and three years later began displaying themed shows in the windows. During that time, they applied for grants and sought out donations to fund the renovation.

"Since 2014 we have been collecting money so that we could begin the gallery," Marcotte said. "Right now we are preparing to start downstairs construction. Upstairs is where the old Opera House used to be."

The original, locally sourced Sonka Brick is exposed, and though the interior still has a long way to go, it is easy to imagine the finished product lit with the soft glow of gallery lights.

"It will be over three thousand square feet in the front of the building," Romero said. "There will be a classroom on the north side, which can also be used for meeting and lecture space. And then on the south side there will be our permanent gallery area."

Art has always held a special place in Romero's heart. Looking back on her childhood, it is one of the things she remembers most fondly, and she is excited to share that with others when the gallery finally opens.

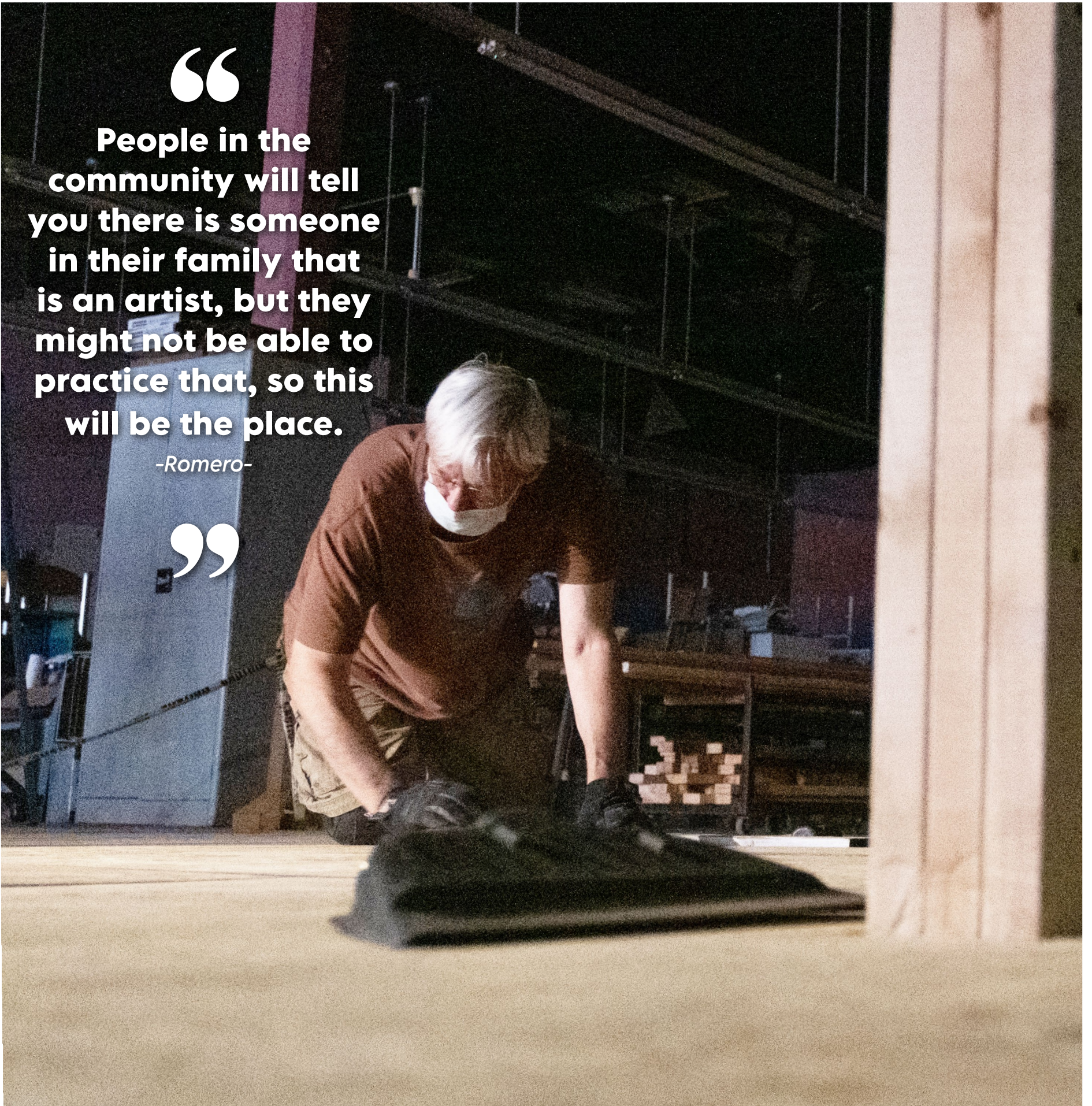
"Art was the only thing I was ever really good at," she said. "It was the only thing I won an award for when I was in public school. I married young. I had a child young and then I worked for 46 years. And there was

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People in the community will tell you there is someone in their family that is an artist, but they might not be able to practice that, so this will be the place.

-Romero-

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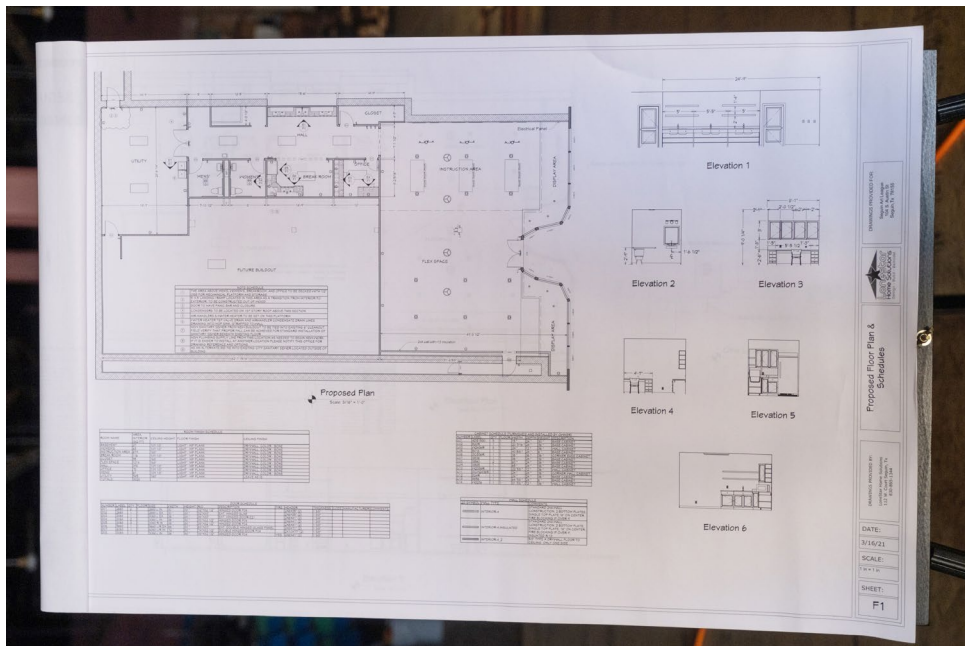
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no where I could go after work during my off hours where I could learn to use new media, take lessons and learn new skills. There was nothing open to me. If you talk to people in the community, you'll find everybody will tell you there is someone in their family that is an artist, but they might not be able to practice that, so this will be the place.”

The Art League has always been about connecting locals to the arts, and their window displays illustrate this with themes featuring everything from photography to comic characters.

When complete, the new gallery will enable the Art League to open its doors and invite the community inside to experience and create art in a way they've only just begun to explore. The children are, of course, the future.

“We have an elementary, middle school art show every year that's open to the entire area, including homeschoolers,” Marcotte said. “We have a high school art show every year that is open to all the high school students. This year the Police De-

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The construction project is extensive and is being completed entirely by Art League members and others who have stepped forward to help. Even the project’s General Contractor, Rolando Del Toro, is a good Samaritan volunteering his time and skills.

As workers tirelessly lay down baseboards for the new gallery floor, the Art League aims to hold their grand opening sometime during the coming summer, which will take Seguin one step closer to becoming Texas’ premiere small-town art destination. •



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Slow-cooked foods seem tailor-made when the mercury is low. Stews, soups and casseroles can simmer and gain great flavor through slow-cooking methods. But slow cooker appliances don't need to be stored away when spring flowers start to bud. In fact, this method of cooking can bridge the gap between cold weather cuisine and the grilled and chilled fare of summer days to come.

Rely on a slow cooker for potluck dinners or when you have to feed a crowd. "Suzie's Sloppy Joes" is a reinvented take on the traditional Sloppy Joe, and can feed the soccer team after practice or a busy family that has been on the go all day. This recipe, courtesy of "Crock-Pot® 365 Year-Round Recipes" (Publications International, Ltd.) from the Crock-Pot Kitchens, simmers for several hours and dishes up delectable flavor for an easy comfort meal.

Suzie's Sloppy Joes

Makes 8 servings

3 pounds 95 percent lean ground beef

1 cup chopped onion

3 cloves garlic, minced

1 1/4 cups ketchup

1 cup chopped red bell pepper

1/4 cup plus 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce

1/4 cup packed dark brown sugar

3 tablespoons prepared mustard

3 tablespoons vinegar

2 teaspoons chili powder

Toasted hamburger buns



1. Cook and stir ground beef, onion and garlic in large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat until beef is browned and onion is tender. Drain and discard fat.

2. Combine ketchup, bell pepper, Worcestershire sauce, brown sugar, mustard, vinegar and chili powder in a slow cooker. Stir in beef mixture. Cover; cook on low 6 to 8 hours. To serve, spoon mixture onto hamburger buns.

Did you know? Many recipes include Worcestershire sauce to add a tangy bite to the dish known as unami, or the savory fifth flavor. Worcestershire sauce contains vinegars, molasses anchovies, and tamarind extract to give it that specialty flavor. This fermented liquid condiment was created in the city of Worcester in Worcestershire, England during the first half of the 19th century. Creators John Wheeley Lea and William Henry Perrins were chemists, and they would later go on to form the food company Lea & Perrins. Because Worcestershire sauce contains anchovies, it is not suitable for those who have fish allergies.

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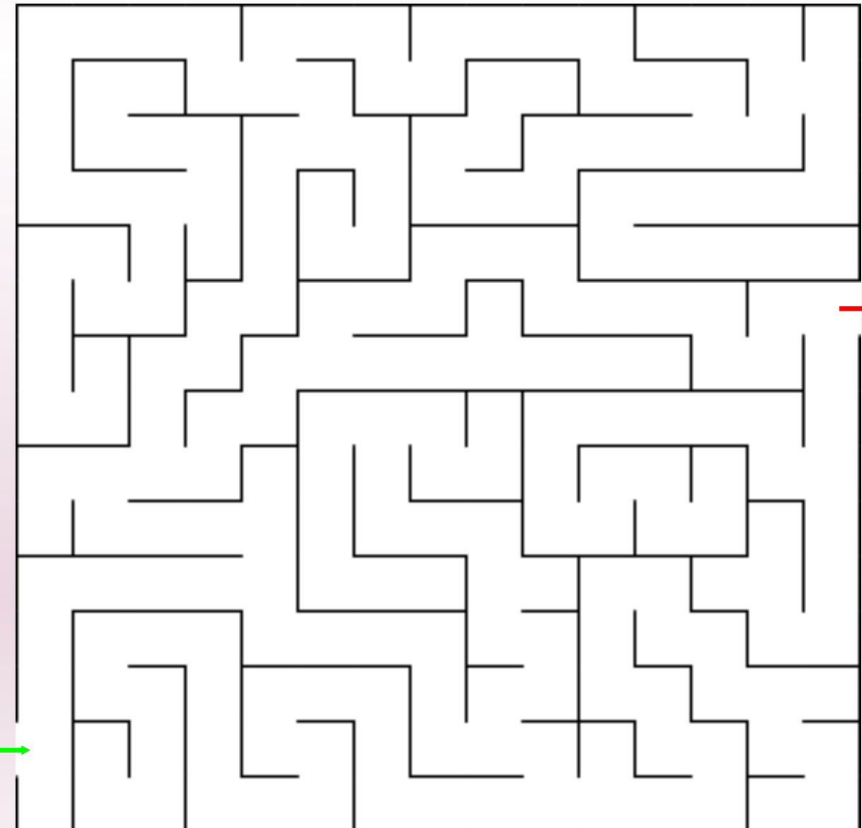
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Events and special promotions happening locally this month!

To promote your May event on this page contact advertising at 830-379-2234 or email tradingpost@kwed1580.com

Mental Health Awareness Month

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Guadalupe County has placed green ribbons around Central Park and some businesses during May to signify mental health. The goal is to reach as many individuals as possible in 31 days and bring awareness of mental health and NAMNI Guadalupe County.



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Holidays

9th - Mother's Day
15th - Armed Forces Day
31st - Memorial Day

Featured Events

Sat, May 15

BBQ Fundraiser

The Guadalupe Masonic Lodge will have its Annual BBQ Fundraiser and silent Auction. Plates are \$10 with to-go plates, desserts, and canned sodas available.

11:00 am - 2:00 pm
1945 W. Kingsbury St., Seguin
For more info call: Mike 830-557-5852, or Robert 830-237-9223

May 18

Mid-Texas Symphony Debutante Information Meeting

The Mid-Texas Sympony Guild will have an informational meeting for its Debutante Program in the Edward Jones Conference Room. A parent must accompany the potential debutante.

5:30 pm
116 S. Moss St., Seguin
RSVP to Mrs. Jill Law at 830-463-5014

May 18

Back to Basics Cattle Series

There will be a Back to the Basics Beef Cattle Series online via Microsoft Teams presented by Texas AgriLife Extension. Cost is \$15/class or \$45/series. Register by email to christopher.lambert@ag.tamu.edu

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm
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May 19

Seguin Premiere Toastmasters

Seguin Premiere Toastmasters will meet the first, third and fifth Wednesday of the month. Toastmasters is a place to practice your speech for work or school where friendly people encourage and give tips to help you improve.

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Geronimo VFW. 6808 SH-123, Seguin
Dina 423-227-9610

Sat, June 5

Farmer's Market

The first and third Saturday of each month there will be a farmer's market at the Big Red Barn. Come check out a wide variety of locally grown produce!

The Big Red Barn
10:00 am - 2:00 pm
www.texagedu.org

May 23

Geronimo VFW Dance

The Geronimo VFW Post 8456 will have a dance featuring Bimbo Sunday, May 23 in Geronimo. Admission is \$10/person. The VFW kitchen will open at 2:00pm. Call for reservation or more information.

3:00 pm - 6:30 pm
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May 30

Geronimo VFW Dance

The Geronimo VFW Post 8456 will have a dance featuring Paul Sanchez and Wrangler Country Sunday May 30 in Geronimo. Admission is \$10/person. The VFW kitchen will open at 2:00pm. Call for reservation or more information.

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June 3

Fiddler on the Roof

Matador Theatre will present its 2021 musical, Fiddler on the Roof June 3, 4, 5 with a matinee performance Sunday, June 6 following senior recognition. Presale tickets are available at Gift and Gourment and Keepers for \$12/adult \$8/student. Seats are limited. Prices increase at the door.

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Seguin Native introduces concept of **co-working** to downtown

Story & Photos by Lizz Daniels

Downtown Seguin recently saw the addition of vibrant blue doors and a graffiti-style sign at 204 South Austin Street. With its eye-catching modern street presence, the Rise is a co-working space designed to bring a touch of up-town style to local professionals.

The man behind the new workspace is Seguin native Erik Saengerhausen. When he started searching for a local office he couldn't find anything like what he was used to in the larger cities like Austin or San Antonio.

"Everything was boring offices, the old cubicles that you go into, and I'm like no, I want a cool fun space," he said. "So I was about to go rent one of these in San Antonio, downtown."

It sounded like a perfect idea, Saengerhausen thought. He'd hop on his bike and go to work in an open office space where collaboration with other professionals was a daily occurrence. But before that could become reality, he had a better idea — he'd build it himself — in Seguin.

"Everyone's like 'you think Seguin's ready for that,' and I'm like I don't care, it needs it," he said. "There's eight thousand homes being built, a lot of people are coming from other states, there's a lot of young entrepreneurs here and they need a place



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-Saengerhausen-



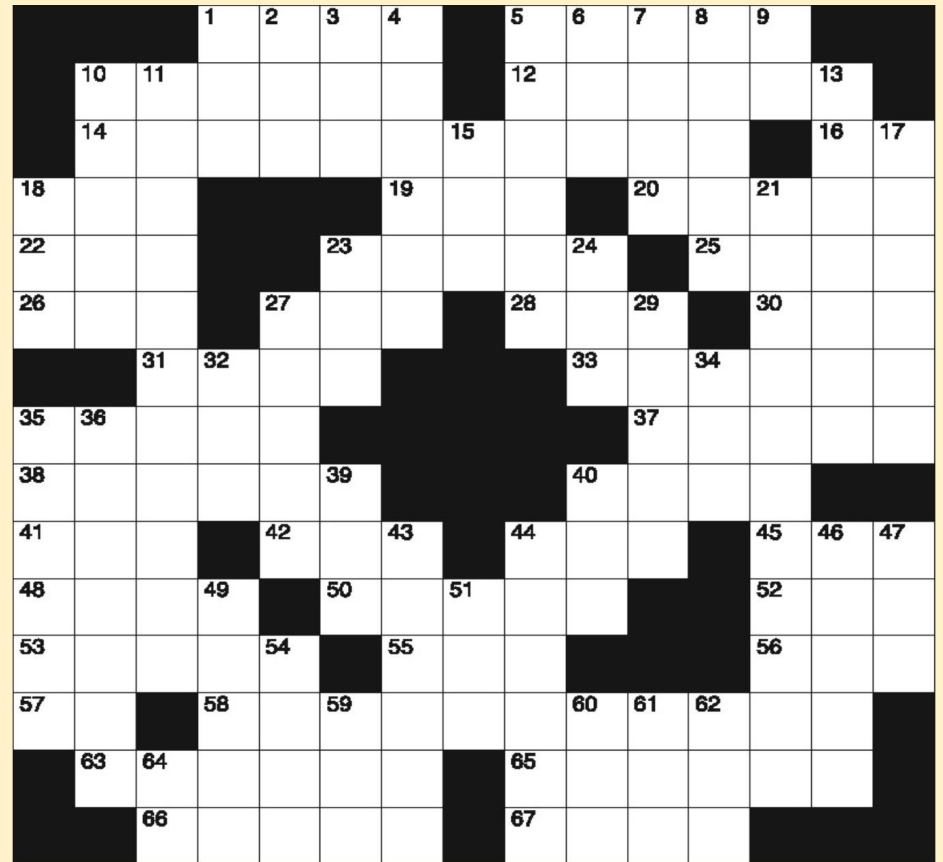
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Large, flightless birds
5. Lifts and moves heavy objects
10. Hyundai sedan
12. Wear away by erosion
14. Arranged alphabetically
16. Top prosecutor
18. ___-de-sac: Short dead-end street
19. Digital audiotape
20. Linguistics pioneer
22. Singer DiFranco
23. Arms of the sea
25. Near-reach weapon (abbr.)
26. Ballplayer's accessory
27. You get one at the beach
28. U.S. founding father
30. W. Australia indigenous people
31. Amounts of time
33. Put on the shelf
35. Russian dynasty member
37. City along the Elbe River
38. A peninsula between the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf
40. Actor Damon
41. ___ King Cole, musician
42. Company that rings receipts
44. Scatter
45. Basics
48. Part of a door
50. Indicates silence
52. Moved quickly on foot
53. Monetary units
55. A place to crash
56. Many subconsciouses
57. Group of countries
58. About line of latitude
63. Female follower of Bacchus
65. A dentist can treat it
66. Dull brown fabrics
67. Int'l nonprofit

CLUES DOWN

1. Midway between northeast and east
2. Partner to cheese
3. One from Utah
4. A way to move
5. Playing cards
6. Baseball stat
7. Long river in western Asia
8. Grandmothers
9. Entertainment legend Sullivan
10. Steam bath room
11. One who kills
13. Food
15. Swiss river
17. Fleet
18. Taxi
21. Working class
23. More (Spanish)
24. High schoolers' test
27. Large heavily built goat antelope
29. Murdered in his bathtub
32. Tease good-naturedly
34. Morsel
35. Cause persistent resentment
36. A radioactive element
39. Perform in a play
40. Witty remark: Bon ___
43. A great place to kayak
44. Conclude by reasoning
46. In an unfavorable way
47. Complex of nerve tissues (abbr.)
49. Machine for making paper
51. Feline
54. Yugo's hatchback
59. Check
60. Press against lightly
61. Wind-pollinated plants
62. ___compoop
64. Commercial



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to hang out.”

Younger business professionals may be familiar with the concept of co-working space, but it may be a foreign concept for some in the community. The idea is simple. Small businesses share open space where they can get work done or even meet with clients in a professional, upscale office environment without the overhead cost traditionally associated with renting an office.

“I think the future of small entrepreneur offices and even small startups, are geared more toward this type of space versus your cubicle jailcell office,” he said. “It helps with the creativity of opening a business. It’s hard to open a business by yourself, its even harder if you lock yourself in an office away in a building that noone even knows exists, so why not be here. And you don’t know who’s going to be in here today that you could talk to and get feedback.”

The Rise offers monthly memberships with options including private desks in the upstairs, free printing, and even mailboxes for those requiring a physical business address. They also offer day passes for those who either don’t need or can’t afford the monthly cost, making it accessible to anyone in the community.

“We have day passes for \$20,” he said. “You come in here, you find a chair, and you work. That includes wifi, access to snacks. There’s a coffee machine. You can come anytime between 6am and 6pm.”

The name ‘Rise’ was inspired by digging into the building’s history and learning that it used to be a bakery.

“My buddy Oscar Banda, who was a huge part of this vision, was like ‘you know how bread rises, we’re trying to help the community rise up and we’re trying to help people rise up, just like the dough rises,’ and I’m like dude, that’s it,” Saengerhausen said.

Professionals looking to utilize The Rise’s co-working space can visit their website to reserve their day space or become members for ongoing benefits that go above and beyond desk space and printer access.

“I want to walk in here one day and there’s just people networking and helping each other grow, not to be goofy or whatever, but rise up,” he said.

The Rise opened early in March, and local professionals are already reserving desks in the upstairs VIP area. Saengerhausen hopes that as the community learns about the innovative workspace, more people will begin to reap the Rise’s benefits, which allows for cross-industry collaboration, which will help local businesses rise to the top. •

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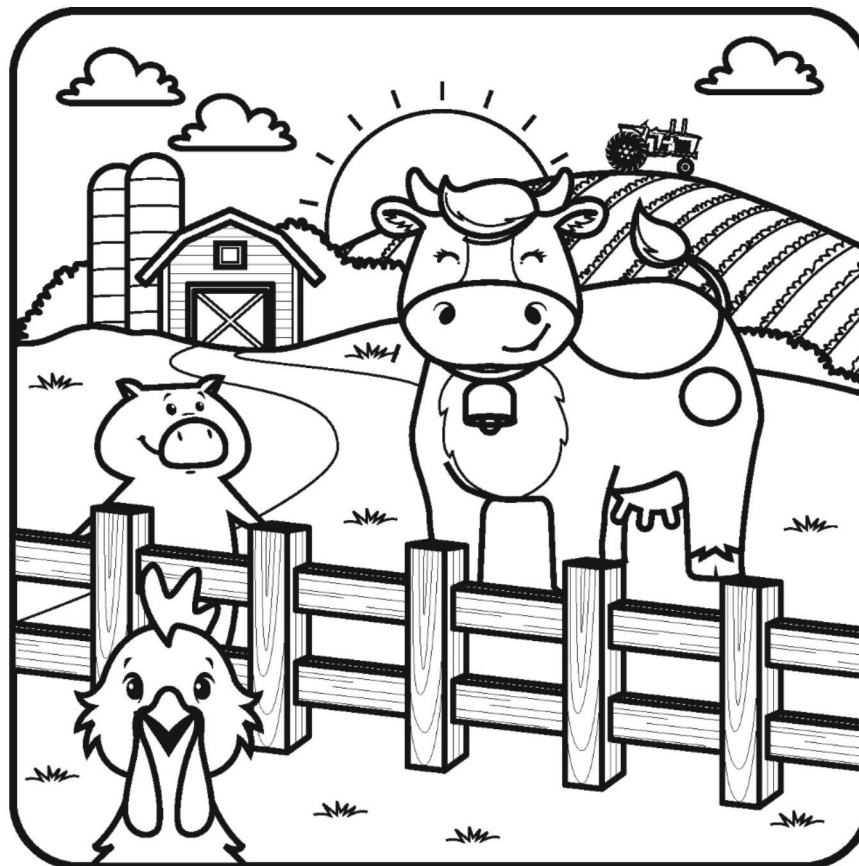


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