

REVELATION 21:3-5

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people and He will dwell with them. They will be His people, and God Himself will be with them and be their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death, or mourning, or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.

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ria and Application with a few modi-

fications from the previously adopted

ecutive Director of Waller County Eco-

nomic Development, one modification

from the previous guidelines is to limit

the time period for a business to accept

or reject a tax abatement offer to 90

days. Currently, offers have remained

on the table for too long, holding the

county in limbo. In addition to the 90-

day limit to accept the offer, the new

guidelines state that after the abate-

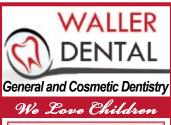
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Renovations Complete at Arlan's Market in Waller By CARRIE PRAZAK-GOURLEY The Waller Times

On February 23, five Harlan's stores--located in Waller, Hempstead, Navasota, Cameron, and Schulenburg--were purchased by Arlan Ames and his wife, Karen, owners of Arlan's Market, a family-owned chain of grocery stores founded by Ames, who is still the store's president.

By CARRIE PRAZAK-GOURLEY

On Wednesday, July 20, the Waller

County Commissioners Court met in

regular session at 9 a.m. at the Waller

County Courthouse. Commissioners

John Amsler, Justin Beckendorff, and

Russell Klecka were in attendance, and

County Judge Trey Duhon presided.

Commissioner Jeron Barnett was ab-

to adopt the 2015-2017 Tax Abatements

and Incentives Policy Guidelines Crite-

Commissioners voted unanimously

The Waller Times

sent.

After months of work, extensive renovations for the Waller store location are now complete. For starters, the store has been repainted, both inside and out, and is decked out with new signage and decor.

cases have been added, along price break with vendors.

placed, some with doors and of international brands. several shelves, thereby offering a much greater selection of frozen food products than previously available.

guidelines.

According to Randy Vincent, Waller store manager, the new design now provides the store with a greater variety and number of products overall. New checkout counters and shopping carts are another addition to the renovated store.

Also, all items have been retagged, with about 90% receiving a reduction in price. According to Ames, the store has a different price structure than Harlan's because they have more stores--a total New produce and meat of 18--allowing for a greater

Vincent stated, "I am ex- I hope everyone comes by to

sign the agreement, or the offer will be

rescinded and a new offer will have to

to the new Abatement and Incentives

Policy that will require parity from the

cities, meaning the county will no lon-

ger foot the bill for more than half the

project. Language has also been added

to the policy that demands preference

in hiring be given to Waller County

Also, language has been added

be negotiated.

cited about all the updates, and check out the store's renovations."





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abatement policy, the onus will now be on the owner of the business or applicant for a tax abatement/incentive to mark their documents properly--as private or request return, for example. The county will no longer be held accountable for mistakes made in the exchange of documents not properly marked.

The Tax Abatement and Incentives Policy Guidelines are updated and approved every two years pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code.

with an increased variety of each. In addition, shoppers will quickly notice the higher quality of meats and produce now available.

All freezer cases were re-

Arlan's has also more than doubled its beer and wine selections. The new selection includes a wide variety of



American specialty beers and New produce cases now installed in the newly renovated Arlan's Market display twice the variwines, as well as an abundance ety of fruits and vegetables. Photo credit: Carrie Prazak-Gourley, The Waller Times.

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Citizens Against the Landfill in Hempstead (CALH), held its third 'We Stand United' fundraising dinner/auction on Saturday, July 25, 2015. Well over 500 supporters attended the event at the KC Hall in Hempstead which opened with a poignant invocation delivered by Pastor Kevin Jordan of First Baptist Church, Hempstead.

After a delicious steak dinner, attendees participated in various auction and raffle activities, vying for a wide selection

of exceptional items donated by the generous CALH community. The live auction, under the direction of Bill Jordan and his team, offered over 100 items, including a Harley Davidson, a week's Florida vacation, and ZZ Top tickets. Musical entertainment for the evening was provided by Gary Darling Smith and the band, Austin.

Organizers stated that the capacity crowd and the overabundance of donations are a testament to the support of this community of CALH's objective to prevent the Pintail Landfill project on Hwy 6 just north of Hwy 290.

Final figures were not available at press time but are estimated to exceed \$115,000, funds which will be used to pay for upcoming expenses associated with the Contested Case Hearing scheduled for November 2, 2015.

For further information on CALH, visit StopHwy6Landill. com.



Texas Governor Abbott Authorizes National Guard to be Armed

bott announced recently he will authorize the Adjutant General John Nichols of the Texas National Guard to arm National Guard personnel at military facilities across Texas.

ing the recent shooting on two military facilities in Chatta-

Texas Governor Greg Ab- nooga, Tennessee that resulted in the deaths of four United States Marines and one Navy Sailor.

"It is with a heavy heart that I issue this order," said Governor Abbott. "After the This order comes follow- recent shooting in Chattanooga, it has become clear that our military personnel must have the ability to defend themselves against these type of attacks on our own soil. Arming the National Guard at these bases will not only serve as a deterrent to our service men and women, but will enable them to protect those living and working on the base."

anyone wishing to do harm to Supporters of CALH view the auction items during the We Stand United 3 Dinner and Auction Fundraiser, held on Saturday night, July 25, 2015 in Hempstead. Preliminary figures show that supporters were again generous this year, raising approximately \$115,000. Submitted photo.





Waller Wonders - Everything you should know about Pringles

By NANCY ARNOLD



know ten things about Pringles that you probably don't know! Okay,

just because you asked, I'll share some of them with you. Thanks to Kristin Hunt, a staff writer for Thrillist, for this bunch of fun trivia.

First, you should know that Pringles were developed in 1968 ... and they weren't, in the strictest sense, "potato chips." That's because our cousins in the United Kingdom (Queen Elizabeth's

realm), objected. Those folks are very protective of their "crisps" - their name for chips - and Pringles only has 42% potato flour. Thus, said the Brits, they should be called "savory snacks."

That battle of the legal minds went on for a few years, and finally everyone on both sides of the pond agreed in 2009 that Pringles are chips, and presumably everyone is now happy.

Pringles bombed with the snack-eating public, though, when they were introduced. People don't like change, and this was a big change from the little bags of chips that were mostly in bits when we tore into the fragile bag. They were CHIPS, by golly, and we liked them that way! Besides, who wanted uniformsize, non-greasy chips, stacked in a can? That's unnatural. What were these things? Some sort of Frankenfood?

Finally in the 1980s, Proctor and Gamble got it right after recipe tweaks and a new ad campaign. It didn't hurt to have the young and muscular Brad Pitt

and some other beautiful young things of both genders sharing Pringles in mindless commercials amongst surfboards and convertibles. (I've watched the clips. Mr. Pitt's acting has improved greatly over the past 30 years!)

More Pringles trivia: No one, including Proctor & Gamble archivists, know how the snack came to be named Pringles. We just have to accept that this is the name and move on.

The WHO is not a mystery - his name was P & G chemist Fredric Bauer, who developed the Pringles recipe, shape, and distinctive can back in the late '50s. When he passed away in 2008, his children honored his wishes, odd though they might be, by putting his ashes in a can of original Pringles. I don't know if he mingled with the chips in the can or if the kids dumped them to make room for Mr. Bauer, and I don't want to know.

One more thing: the mustachioed image of a barbershop quartet singer that graces the front of the Pringles can? That's to be safe. Julius. No one know why.

Let's stay on food today, assuming that Pringles is food. This more useful information spoil faster if refrigerated. comes from one of the many newsletters that cross my desk each week as editor of our company publications. You are the lucky recipients of this vast knowledge.

Because of all the recent unpleasant news about my favorite ice cream – Blue Bell – we're all more aware of food pathogens. The U.S. Department of Agriculture says there are two types of bacteria that cause problems. Pathogenic bacteria leads to food-borne illnesses, and spoilage bacteria changes the way foods look, smell, and taste. Foods that look, smell, and taste or taste of a cut avocado. normal can still be dangerous. won't necessarily make us sick.

That's confusing, so, we tend to over-react and stuff EVERY food, whether fresh, canned, or bottled, into the re-

But hold on – there are lots of foods that don't need to be refrigerated, and some that actually

Produce that should not be refrigerated includes potatoes (starch turns to sugar and changes the taste); tomatoes (lose their flavor and get mushy); apples (lose flavor and texture); regular, but not green onions (soften and change their "onion" flavor), and bananas (if they turn brown, throw 'em in the freezer to use for banana bread).

Keep avocadoes on the counter before cutting and refrigerate after. It's best to use the whole fruit at once, because avocados don't store well. The seed has nothing to do with the looks

Stone fruits (peaches, etc) Spoiled food can be gross, but it don't like refrigeration, nor do red, green, yellow, and chili peppers. Keep citrus fruits and hardshelled squash on the counter. This list says watermelons should not be refrigerated, but there's frigerator thinking that's the way nothing like eating ice cold wa-

termelon that's been floating in a tub of ice! Store cut melon in the refrigerator, but eat it quickly because it gets mushy.

Now for some of the controversial items to keep at room temperature: ketchup; mustard; soy sauce; pickles (but I like mine cold); hot sauce; spices (NEVER in the refrigerator!); cereals, and dried fruits.

Honey should always be kept at room temperature or it turns into sugar. Yes and no on real maple syrup; I keep mine in the refrigerator because it costs a fortune and I don't want it to get fuzzy. Sorghum syrup, however, stays out. Where did your grandmother keep hers? On the kitchen table.

Speaking of Blue Bell ... when it finally makes its way back into our freezers, it will probably be the safest thing EVER that we can eat. As I wait, my special bowl, spoon, and Corner Drug Store ice cream scoop stands ready!

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Nellie Bly: Female Reporter Extraordinaire

By CARRIE PRAZAK-GOURLEY



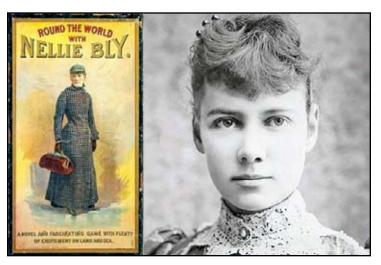
Born Elizabeth Jane Cochran on May 5,1864, the girl who would come to be known as Nellie Bly was always known for her spunk. Even before the famed "muckrakers" of the early 20th century began their campaign against public corruption, Bly had been the first to "go behind the scenes" and expose the ills of society. She is best remembered for launching a new kind of investigative journalism

still in use today. Elizabeth was born in Cochran

Mills, Pennsylvania to Michael Cochran, a wealthy landowner, judge, and businessman. She was the third child in his second family, and one of 10 total siblings. However, Elizabeth's early life was full of tragedy. Her father died when she was six, leaving no property in his will for his second family, so through her early years she witnessed first hand the struggles her mother endured and observed how difficult it was for a woman to be financially independent.

Feeling the need for financial security, her mother hastily entered a disastrous marriage to a man who abused her. The marriage ended in divorce, and it was Elizabeth who boldly testified against her stepfather at the divorce hearing. That spark of boldness would serve her well throughout her life.

After her mother's divorce, Elizabeth sought to become a teacher, although her true passion



Famed Female American reporter, Nellie Bly, known for ushering in the age of "investigative journalism" and for her trip around the world in 1889. Internet photo.

had always been for writing. Teaching, of course, was one of the few occupations open for women at that time. However, after one semester she was forced out of the school due to a lack of funds. In 1880, when she was 15, her family moved to Pittsburgh where she helped her mother run a boarding house.

It was in Pittsburgh where her career as a journalist began. After asking for the individual to reveal their identity. Elizabeth went to the newspaper office and was hired almost immediately, and it was at that time that she took on the pen name Nellie Bly, after a popular song of the time written by Stephen Foster.

Bly began her career in journalism with gusto, aimed at social justice: her issues included labor laws, reforming Pennsylvania's

New York and write for a major publication. At the age of 23, she set out on an arduous six months search for a position as a reporter. Finally, she convinced publishing mogul Joseph Pulitzer to hire her for his newspaper, The New York World. Bly convinced Pulitzer to let her spend 10 days undercover in Blackwell's Island Insane Asylum.

Her article on the asylum, reporting its cruelty and corruption, prompted NYC to reform its policy and to expend hefty funds on improving the institution. Bly became an overnight sensation.

It was Bly's innovative approach to journalism which ushered in the age of undercover investigative reporting. This type of reporting was new and in the late 19th century was referred to as "stunt reporting", but later took on the name "investigative journalism".

Bly continued her investigative reporting, bravely arranging to be thrown in jail to expose the horrific treatment of female inmates. She also worked in a sweatshop and wrote a story about the exploitation of workers, particularly immigrants. Bly even posed as a prostitute to expose part of the corruption of New York's political machine of the late 19th century, known as Tammany Hall, where Boss (William M.) Tweed and his gang of thieves controlled NYC for decades, stealing millions in public funds. Bly's work was extraordinarily popular, and she became the first woman reporter to get a front page byline in an American newspaper. Her work was considered exploitative and sensational, but her methods changed American journalism forever by turning the emphasis in reporting to providing information instead of opinion. Her work encouraged exposes' of public graft, corruption, and abuse of power. It was her writing that ushered in the age of "muckraking" (to search for and expose real or alleged corruption) in the early 20th century.

Bly developed a reputation as a defender of the marginalized, covering slums, and exposing corrupt politicians. Her work made ordinary Americans feels that there was someone out there fighting for them.

In 1889, at the pinnacle of her career, and given the green light by her paper, The New York World, Bly traveled around the world, in an attempt to break the faux record of Phileas Fogg, the fictional character of Jules Verne's 1873 novel Around the World in Eighty Days. Bly embarked on her journey from Hoboken, New Jersey in November of 1889, first traveling by ship, but later via horse, rickshaw, sampan, burro and other vehicles. She completed her journey in 72 days, making a world record. The New York World published daily updates of her journey, and the event created excitement across the nation.

After her feat, Bly gained celebrity status nationwide, and was greeted with parades, bands, and fireworks everywhere she traveled.

Bly married millionaire Robert Seaman in 1895, and became a successful industrialist, giving up journalism, but continuing to write and publish in other venues. But, after her husband's death and the embezzlement by employees of her late husband's company, Bly soon turned to journalism. While travelling to Europe to visit a friend in Austria, the outbreak of WWI occurred. Bly got in touch with her former editor and made arrangements to become a journalist once again, this time for the New York Journal. Bly covered the Eastern front for the Allies, and became America's first female war correspondent, writing articles about her experiences from the front lines. What started as a vacation turned into a



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WISD Bulldog Football Camp Scheduled

Waller ISD will hold a Waller Bulldog football camp at the Waller Bulldog Field House on July 29, 30 and 31, 2015 from 9 .m. - 12 noon. The camp is free of charge and is open to incoming WISD 7th, 8th, and 9th grade players. Players should bring t-shirts, shorts and cleats to the camp. For more information, contact Coach Phillips at 979-221-7144.

WHS Bulldogs Football Practice Announced

The Waller High School Bulldog football team will begin practice on August 3, 2015 at 3:45 p.m. for WISD students in grades 9-12. Equipment will be handed out on July 29, 30, and 31 from 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. All players must have a physical. For more information, contact Coach Phillips at 979-221-7144.

WISD New Student Registration August 4 - 5

Waller ISD New Student Registration for all grades will be held at Waller High School, located at 20950 Fields Store Rd. in Waller, on Tuesday, August 4 from 12 p.m. - 8 p.m. and Wednesday, August 5 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Classes begin on Monday, August 24. Reduced cost immunizations will be provided on August 3 and 5 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. For registration requirements and additional information, visit www.wallerisd.net or call 936-931-3685.

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Texas Sales Tax Holiday is August 7 - 9

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar reminds shoppers they can save money on certain items priced under \$100 during the state's annual sales tax holiday. This year, the sales tax holiday is scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 7 – 9, 2015.

The law exempts most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced under \$100 from sales tax, which could save shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 tax-free can be found on the and local sales taxes during the they spend during the weekend.

"As the father of three young children, I know back-to-school expenses can really put a strain an estimated \$87 million in state on family budgets this time of year," Hegar said. "This is an some money and prepare for the start of the school year."

Lists of apparel and school supplies that may be purchased

Comptroller's website at Texas-TaxHoliday.org.

This year, shoppers will save has been an annual event since 1999

opportunity for families to save **ARNOLD** Continued from page 2A

Blowing out birthday candles next week will be Bucky Breneman, John Burgner, Robert C. (Dr. Bob) Frierson, Jr.(now of Brenham), Jim Miller, Holly Rollings, Evelyn Brunson, Cody Mikeska, David Schmidt, Emily Michelle Huber, Lindsey Saladino Gray, Remington Herrod, Charles Swonke, Katelynn Fondren, Rebecca Marroquin, Moriah Tisdale, Vicki Carruthers, Phil Huber, Rick Fritzsching, Maria Kelly, Michael Fondren, Michelle Wright McGuire, Haley Paben, Jim Clifford, John Froelich, Dixie Lamson, Lonnie Mikeska, Jr., Ryan Coffey, Etienne Pernet, Peggy Schulin, Clegg Herndon, Mel Daigle, Ronda Timmerman Pfeiffer, Blackie Benoit, Mary Flukinger, Margorie Hasselmann Knox, Amber Ochsner,

Kathy Flukinger French, Bob Mays, Reagan Machae Hoffart, Fernando Salazar, Danny Armstrong, John Windham, Kristi Hart, and Reese Phillips.

The tax holiday weekend

sales tax holiday.

Wishing Joe Southern, now managing editor of the Sealy News, a happy birthday as he turns (gulp!) 50 years old next week.

Anniversary wishes for Randy and Stacy Newton, Kyle and Cara Paben Stawarczik, Les and Geralyn Ochsner, Steve and Peggy Holz, Slim and Betty Renken, George and Clara Kelt, John and Donnie Burgner, and Randy and Nikki Theiss.

Until next week ...

Contact Nancy at arnoldn@ msn.com, or mail news items to her at P. O. Box 282, Waller 77484.



On Wednesday, July 8 and Friday July, 10, the two branches of the Waller County Library System hosted a Community Heroes Day. Local agencies were invited out to the library to show the tools of their trades to local area children. The Waller County Library System thanked local police and emergency services agencies for their support. Submitted photo.

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Texas Governor Greg Abbott Speaks at Annual FFA Convention

Texas Governor Greg Abbott recently attended the 87th Annual Texas FFA Convention in Corpus Christi, Texas to congratulate 2015 FFA scholarship winners and celebrate the accomplishments of Texas FFA students, teachers and the state agriculture industry as a whole.

"Through drought and flood, Texas has long grown from the bounty of the land that's our proud heritage here in the Lone Star State," said Gov-

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ernor Abbott. "And you are the stewards of our future. Looking Texas FFA is the largest in the at this group of FFA members, nation. Texas leads the nation I'm confident about the future in number of farms and ranchleaders of Texas. The lessons es. We are #1 in cattle and cotyou learn through the FFA, the ton, in sheep and goats, and in values you share, will prepare hay and mohair. you to lead this state and the nation. Texas is the greatest state in America and we are counting bounty of the land. That's our on you to keep it that way."

Abbott spoke his prepared Star State. And you are the statement as follows:

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It's no surprise that the

Through drought and flood, Texas has long grown from the proud heritage here in the Lone stewards of our future. Looking at this group of FFA members, I'm confident about the future leaders of Texas.

The lessons you learn through the FFA, the values you share, will prepare you to lead this state and the nation. Texas is the greatest state in America and we are counting on you to keep it that way.

Texas remains the state

come the possible. That's the can learn to do, do to learn, earn story of people like Dick Wallrath with us today. He rose from big challenges to build a proof that in Texas, anyone can tremendously successful business. Dick Wallrath now generously shares with you his legacy after graduating from law of perseverance and true Texas grit. As the largest individual donor to the Texas FFA scholarship program, Dick Wallrath what you're thinking – just how

where the improbable can be- is investing in you so that you to live and live to serve.

Like Dick Wallrath, I am achieve anything. Even rise to the highest office. A few weeks school I was out jogging when a tree fell on my back, leaving me instantly paralyzed. And I know slow was that guy jogging?

In overcoming that accident and going on to be a Judge, Attorney General and then Governor, I found that our lives don't have to be defined by our circumstances. Instead, we can determine our lives by our character. I learned that deep within each of us lies the character that allows us to conquer our circumstances.

And without dreams, there is no need to work. Without work, there is no need to dream. Success requires both big aspirations to dream great things and the work ethic to achieve them. You have both.

As you continue on in your education and pursue your dreams, your lives will be filled with exciting twists and turns. You'll have many more achievements and - inevitably - you will face many challenges. But those challenges don't determine your destiny - you do.

Your lives won't be defined by how you are challenged, instead by how you respond to life's challenges. Wherever you may do after leaving here, in the end it won't matter if you are rich or poor. It won't matter where you live or what you do for a living. It won't even matter whether you can walk.

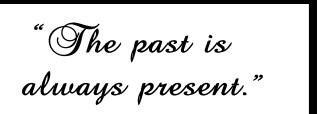
What will matter is the unique fingerprint you leave on this world. Ultimately, your life is measured by the fingerprints you leave behind.

We look forward to watching the paths you take and the unique imprint you leave on this world. And we know you will continue to make Texas and America great.

Congratulations to today's scholarship winners and to all FFA members. May God bless you all with bright futures. And may God forever bless the great

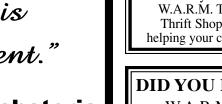
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Waller Boy Scout Troop 195 attended BSA National High Adventure camp, Florida Sea Base, from June 10 -16 in Islamorada, Florida located in the Florida Keys. The scouts spent seven days on a boat sailing, snorkeling and fishing among several of the Coral Reefs. Pictured is (front row, l-r) Adam Sellers, Jacob Berlin, Glen Rollins, Tre' Hinojosa; and (second row, l-r) ASM John Berlin, your paths may lead, whatever Adam Croy, Ryan Stegint and ASM Emigdio Hinojosa. Submitted photo.



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National Farmers Market Week Announced

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack has declared August 2 - 8, 2015, as "National Farmers Market Week."

The declaration was made official by proclamation signed by Secretary Vilsack. This year marks the 16th annual National Farmers Market Week in honor of the important role that farmomies. Throughout the week, to showcase all the tremen-USDA will celebrate thousands dous services they provide," of our nation's farmers markets, said Secretary Vilsack. "Farmthe farmers and ranchers who ers markets play a key role in make them possible and the developing local and regional communities that host them.

ers markets play in local econ- country to host special events food systems that support farm-"National Farmers Market ers and help grow rural econo-Week is a great opportunity mies. They bring communities for farmers markets across the together, connecting cities with the farms and providing Americans with fresh, healthy food."

> Throughout the week, USDA officials will celebrate at farmers market locations across the country. On Saturday, Aug. 1, Anne Alonzo, the

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five-year tour of duty.

After the war, Bly returned to New York, and was awarded her own column which dispensed advice as well as her opinions on the topics of the day. At the same time, she worked to help poor women find jobs and raised money for widows, children and others who fell on hard times.

Most importantly, Nellie Bly never gave up in any of her endeavors. She remained strong and her pioneering, trailblazing spirit is to this day a beacon of hope and inspiration to journalists everywhere. Bly, by opening doors once closed to women, forever changed the field of journalism.

Nellie Bly passed away on January 27, 1922 from pneumonia, having continued to write her column until her death.

Of course, we writers understand Bly's passion for writing, and continuance of writing her column until her death, because that is what writers do. We write. And thank God we do, for where would we be without the written Word of Almighty God, penned by those who heard His voice and boldly wrote it down? Where would be without the great novels that bring fantasy worlds to life, and teach us new truths about reality? Where would we be without journalists who speak the truth for the people in newspapers across America?

Nellie Bly, like all true writers, was as compelled to write



as she was to breathe. I learned about Bly in a college course on the History of Journalism in America, and I have never forgotten her. One day, I hope to meet her "on the other side."

Administrator of USDA's Ag-

ricultural Marketing Service

(AMS) - which conducts re-

search, provides technical as-

sistance, and awards grants to

support farmers markets - will

kick off the week at the Santa

Fe Farmers Market in New

Mexico. The Santa Fe Farm-

ers Market is the oldest in New

Mexico and is ranked as one of

the top ten farmers markets na-

consumers with fresh, afford-

able, convenient, and healthy

products from local producers.

Farmers markets provide

tionwide.

The importance of the written word is even expressed in the Bible in the Apostle John's Book of Revelation, written after His heavenly vision while a prisoner on the island of Patmos.

Revelation 21:3-5 "And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people and He will dwell with them. They will be His people, and God Himself will be with them and be their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death, or mourning, or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." He who was seated on the throne said, 'I am making everything new!' Then he said, "WRITE THIS DOWN, for the words are trustworthy and true."

Like Nellie Bly, that is what I do. I write it down.

Contact Carrie at gidget 2114@gmail.com for any questions or comments on her columns.

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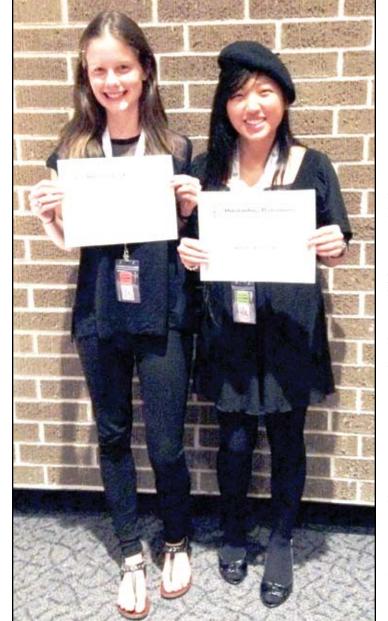


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The Waller High School Jazz Band performed at the Katy Jazz Festival at Katy High School this spring and featured performances by junior high, high school, collegiate and professional jazz ensembles. Waller High School students Allyson Payne, who plays the trumpet, and Jastinee Xiong, who plays alto saxophone, were recognized as outstanding soloists. The trombone section consisting of Juan Barbosa, Stephon Benavidas and Jose Villa were recognized as an outstanding section. Pictured are the Waller High School Jazz Band students Allyson Payne and Jastinee Xiong who were recognized as outstanding soloists at the Katy Jazz Festival. WISD Public Information.





(I-r) Trey Duhon, Of-Counsel, Paul C. Looney, Clay S. Conrad and Richard Senasac

We are proud to announce the addition of Trey Duhon as an of-counsel attorney, effective June 1, 2015

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Recently, racial tensions have resurfaced in the national and (unfortunately) even the local news. Emotions run high as people appear to be treated unfairly simply because of their melanin. Some have likened it to the Civil Rights movement of the 60's. Have we not learned from history? What is the response Christians should have? I think Paul, the great "Apostle to the Gentiles" has something profound to share from God on this. Speaking to the non-Jews of his time, he says:

"But now in Christ Jesus you who formerly were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ." (Ephesians 2:13)



Two points here: Many understand the primary teaching that the Cross brings us closer to God by settling our unfathomable

debt to Him. But some fail to also realize that as we all approach the cross of Calvary--each from our own different background or life journey--we come inevitably closer to each other. Or at least we should! Christ changes us. Not just on a vertical level, but horizontally with each other as well. This is one reason Paul also states:

"There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus." (Galatians 3:28)

As children, we used to sing the song "Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world... Red and Yellow, black and white, all are precious in His sight..." Children believe it easier, but somehow as adults we can't see past someone's skin pigment, nationality, or accent. As if they chose these factors themself before they were born. Retired neurosurgeon and Presidential candidate Dr. Ben Carson put it this way when commenting on the Charleston church shooting:

"As a brain surgeon I can assure you that all of our brains look the same, no matter what our skin color or party affiliation."1

So what does it look like for us to be brought near to God and to each other? What does it feel like to have no "bond or free" in Christ's Kingdom? It looks like black people and white people worshiping together. It sounds like a true Texas accent heard alongside a thick Spanish one. It tastes like kimchi, barbecue, tamales, and collard greens all in the same meal. I am blessed to belong to a denomination that recently was named the most diverse religion in the USA.² Though largely from Texas, our local church in Waller includes people from Jamaica, Belize, Ghana, Russia, Mexico, and other countries. However, even in this context, we must look past our preferences and be intentional to love and empathize with others who are different from us.

So how colorful is your world? Make a commitment today to reach out to someone different.

¹Facebook, Dr. Ben Carson (official page)

² http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2015/07/27/the-most-and-least-racially-diverse-u-s-religiousgroups/

Travis Patterson is the pastor of the Waller Seventh-day Adventist Church on Hamilton St.



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4450 4-2.1-2 Brick home, two story, nice large corner lot with large shade trees\$196,500
4454 Nice brick 3-2 home on corner lot with large shade trees, fireplace, hardwood flooring\$139,000
4457 3-2 Brick home on 9th green, 2 1/2 lots, huge island kitchen, formal dining, study, large patio
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4276 318 Acres, Peek Rd in Katy, excellent location\$11,130,000
4309 Three lots with city utilities, curbs, close to schools and shopping\$35,000
4349 388 Acre horse ranch with rail fencing, FM frontage, barns, stables, 8 acre lake, large irrigated hay
field, additional ponds, main home shaded by large oaks, additional home on property\$4,225,000
4360 Ccorner lot in city with utilities\$4,500

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COUNTRY HOMES AND ACREAGE

0	4374 10 Acres in subdivision, deed restrictions, Waller ISD\$470,000
0	4386 160 Acres with lots of frontage, water well, FM frontage, could be divided\$2,486,820
0	4411 Lots in City of Waller, corner property, scattered trees, recently cleared\$27,900
U	4421 Beautiful 97 acres, brick home, barn, pond, scattered trees, close to Hwy. 290
n	4422 Corner lot in Hempstead, additional lots available\$6,000
0	4423 Two lots in Hempstead, city utilities available\$12,000
d	4431 5 Acres, frontage on 2 roads, close to town, some restrictionsPENDING\$79,500
0	4432 Unrestricted lot, commercial or residential, community water\$165,000
0	4433 4-3-2 Brick home with 2 fireplaces, on 4 acres with pondPENDING\$265,000
Ň	4435 4-3-2 100 Acres, large scattered oaks, ag exempt, community water available\$1,200,920
0	4437 3-2-1 Home, open floorpan, island kitchen on 4 acres, beautiful scattered trees\$225,000
0	4448 40 Acres, Hwy 290 visible frontage, currently in ag use\$1,006,000
0	4449 Commercial building on 2 acres with Hwy frontage, all equipment included\$495,000
	4451 42.5 Acres, scattered trees, corner property, can be divided\$638,640
	4452 3-3.1-3 Ranch style home with circle drive, fruit trees, workshop, cross fenced, recent roof, ag
	exempt\$479,900
^	4455 11+ acres, heavily wooded, secluded, lots of wildlife, Waller ISD\$146,212
0	4456 Stunning New Orleans style custom home, with curved mahogany lanai doors that open onto
0	the back patio area, beautiful fireplace, professionally landscaped pool area, large master with custom
0	details, elevators with antique features, theatre room with automatic leather reclining chairs, barn with
0	stalls and guest quarters, on 13 acres with improved pastures\$1,250,000

