



WHAT'S GOING ON Across Central Texas

KILLEEN

'Beauty and the Beast'

This old story will bring the whole family together at 7 p.m. July 22 and 23, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. July 24 and 2 p.m. July 25 at Vive Les Arts Theatre.

A co-production of the VLA Children's Theatre, Main Stage and the KISD Department of Fine Arts, "Beauty and the Beast" is based on the Academy-Award winning animated movie. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for students.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call 526-9090 or visit www.vlatheatre.org.

Summer concert series

Watch Aloha Pomakia, a group of Hawaiian dancers, 5 p.m. July 25 at Central Christian Church. This event is free and open to the public.

For more information, call 526-2179.

HARKER HEIGHTS

Teen drive-in

Teenagers ages 12-16 are invited to enjoy a fun-filled evening 7:30-10 p.m. July 23 at Carl Levin Outdoor Pool.

The drive-in includes snacks and swimming while watching a movie on a big screen. All participants will be required to pay gate admission rates; season passes are not acceptable.

For more information, call 953-5657.

Blood drive

Be a hero and donate blood 9 a.m.-1 p.m. July 30 at the main City of Harker Heights building.

All donors will receive an insulated 6-pack cooler and 12 wings from Buffalo Wild Wings for free.

Participants will also be entered for a chance to win a pair of Houston Astros tickets or \$500 gift card of your choice.

To sign up, call 953-5600.

TEMPLE

Swingtime

Swing to the rhythm of the music 7-10 p.m. Saturday at In The Mood Ballroom.

A 14-piece big band will play music from Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey, Artie Shaw and Duke Ellington. Tickets are \$10 per person.

For more information, call 773-7088 or visit www.inthemoodballroom.com.

Hot 2 Trot 5K

The 3.1-mile race will take place 7:30 a.m. Saturday at McLane Company Headquarters.

Registration is \$20, will be held the morning of the race from 6:30-7:15 a.m. and includes a T-shirt for the first 150 people registered. Participants can also register in advance at www.active.com.

An overall male and female winner and top three finishers per age group will be announced.

For more information, call 771-0921 or visit www.templeparks.net.

'Kids in the Kitchen'

Take center stage in the kitchen 9:30-11:45 a.m. Monday through July 23 at the Cultural Activities Center in Temple.

Children ages 9 and up will participate in demonstrations and get hands-on experience preparing healthy snacks and desserts.

The cost is \$125.

For more information, call 773-9926 or visit www.cacarts.org.

Book signing

Meet best-selling author Bryan Burrough at a special, brown bag lunch and book-signing event 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. July 22 at the Cultural Activities Center.

Afterwards, Burrough will travel to the Harker Heights Barnes and Noble for another book signing at 2:30 p.m.

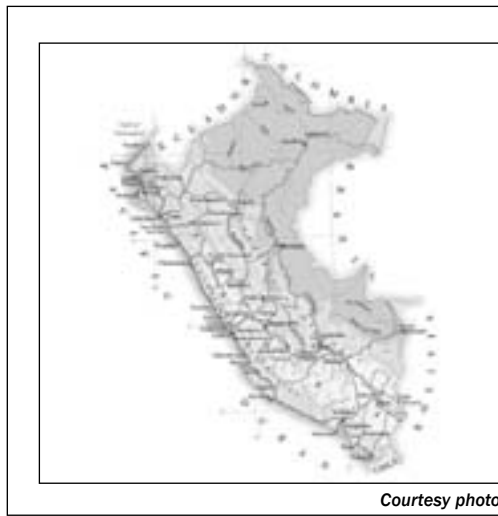
Burrough was raised in Temple and graduated from Temple High School. He wrote "Public Enemies," which was turned into a major motion picture. His recent release, "The Big Rich: The Rise and Fall of the Greatest Texas Oil Fortunes," was on the New York Times Best-Seller list for three weeks.

For more information, call the CAC at 773-9926 or Barnes and Noble at 690-1592.

Bridal Showcase

Brides-to-be can get inspiration and information to plan their wedding 1-5 p.m. July 25 at the Frank W. Mayborn Civic and Convention Center.

Photographers, bakeries, caterers, lighting specialists, wedding dress and tuxedo stores will all be on hand.



Courtesy photo

Tickets are \$7 online and \$10 at the door. For more information, call 778-4444 or visit www.tdmnews.com/bridal10.

'The Lilies of the Field'

Watch "The Lilies of the Field" 8 p.m. evenings and 2:30 p.m. Sundays at the Temple Civic Theatre.

After his discharge from the Army, Homer sets out to wander freely about the world working where he pleases. He stops to help a group of nuns and finds himself caught up in their dreams for building a chapel. With no support or pay, Homer is discouraged, but his selflessness wins out.

For more information, call 778-4751 or visit www.artstemple.com.

WACO

'42nd Street'

The Waco Children's Theatre production of "42nd Street" will be on stage at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Waco Civic Theatre.

For more information, call 776-0707.

Waco Civic Theatre fund-raiser

A fun-raiser event will be held July 24-25 at the Waco Civic Theatre. Food and beverage service begins at 7 p.m.; paper wads will be handed out to throw at the villain. The production, "The Melodrama: The Rose of Dismal Flats," will immediately follow.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors and students.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call 776-1591 or visit www.wacocivictheatre.org.

SALADO

'Fool's Gold'

In this 6th annual original melodrama, the peaceful village of Salado succumbs to an outbreak of "gold fever" 7:30 p.m. Fridays and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturdays at the Salado Silver Spur Theater.

Can Ranger Grainger save Goody Goody and the Salado citizenry from the peril that ensues? Questions will be answered with a healthy dose of slapstick, song and satire.

Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for senior citizens, military personnel and students with ID, and \$8 for children aged 12 and under. Matinee tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for all others.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call 947-3456 or visit www.saladosilverspur.com.

Salado Legends

Enjoy dinner theater at 7:15 p.m. and theater at 8:15 p.m. July 25 at Tablerock's Amphitheater.

The catered meal is optional for \$8; reservations are required. To attend the theater portion only, tickets are \$17 for adults and \$5 for children.

Central Texas' outdoor musical drama is where history, legend and memories meet on cool summer evenings under the stars. An original song, "Be Careful What You Wish For," weaves the legends of the Tonkawa Indians, the dreams of Spanish explorers and the hopes of the Scottish settlers into a panoramic tale.

For more information, call 947-9205 or visit www.tablerock.org.

CEDAR PARK

Wild West Murder Mystery

Ride the rails on a hot summer night 7-10 p.m. Saturday on the Austin Steam Train.

Black Jack Malloy was once a notorious drinker, gambler, gunfighter and rogue who has left a trail of death, destruction, robbery and broken hearts in his wake. Most everybody in River City would like to see him dead. Passengers may be dodging bullets in this Wild West Murder Mystery.

Box meal, beer, wine and soft drinks will be provided. This event is for passengers ages 17 and up. All seats are reserved and pre-assigned. Tickets are \$50 or \$75.

'A Trip to Peru'

Travel to Peru without leaving Texas 9 a.m.-noon Monday through July 23 at the Cultural Activities Center.

Learn traditions, Spanish and explore the Peruvian culture. Students will have fun making souvenirs and will be able to cook Peruvian cuisine.

This event is for children ages 7-10. The cost is \$100 per person. A second "A Trip to Peru" will be held July 19-23.

For more information, call 773-9926 or visit www.cacarts.org.

For more information, call (512) 477-8468 or visit www.austinsteamtrain.org.

AUSTIN

Consensus of Taste

An opening reception will be held for the 15th annual Young Latino Artists Consensus of Taste 6-9 p.m. Friday at the Mexic-Arte Museum.

There will be live performance art called "Celebration" and a disk jockey. This exhibition features the current visual artwork of artists from the past 14 YLA exhibitions.

The reception is \$5 for the public and free for members. This special exhibit will be on display through Aug. 29. General admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors and students and \$1 for children 12 years and younger.

For more information, call (512) 480-9373 or visit www.mexic-artemuseum.org.

FREDERICKSBURG

Night in Old Fredericksburg

Celebrate Fredericksburg's German heritage and Texas hospitality 6 p.m.-midnight July 16 and 11:30 a.m.-midnight July 17 in the downtown Marktplatz.

There will be live polka music, German and Mexican food, rides and games, and arts and crafts vendors.

The cost is \$6 for adults, \$1 for children 12 and under and two-day passes are \$10.

For more information, call 1-866-TEX-FEST or visit www.tex-fest.com.

Horse racing

Pari-mutuel horse racing the whole family can enjoy will be held Saturday and Sunday at the Gillespie County Fair.

The weekend will include dancing, entertainment, a variety of food and drink along with all of the attractions of historic Fredericksburg.

In addition to live horse racing, the Race Barn will be open for greyhound, thoroughbred and quarter horse races from all over the country. The operation includes an air-conditioned restaurant and bar as well as state of the art simulcast facilities. For more information on the Race Barn, call (830) 997-4058 or visit www.theracebarn.com.

Admission for live racing is \$5 for adults, \$1 for children 6-12 years of age and free for children under 6. Box seats are \$9.

For more information, call (830) 997-2359 or visit www.gillespiefair.com/racing.htm.

Gourmet Chili Pepper, Salsa Festival

While the temperatures are rising outdoors, turn up the heat in your mouth at the Gourmet Chili Pepper and Salsa Festival 3-10 p.m. July 23 and 10 a.m.-11 p.m. July 24 at Wildseed Farms.

There will be guest chefs and speakers, specialty food booths, entertainment, wildflowers and pepper fields, a butterfly haus and a food court. A hot air balloon show will be held Friday.

Adult tickets are \$10 each or \$16 for a two-day pass. Tickets for children younger than 12 years old are \$5 each or \$8 for a two-day pass.

For more information or a schedule of events, call (830) 997-8515 or visit www.tex-fest.com/gcp.

NEW BRAUNFELS

Groovin' in the Grapes

You can groove in the grapes 1-4 p.m. July 24 at Dry Comal Creek Vineyards. This open-air concert will be held under the spacious pavilion and the big fan.

Kevin Higgins and The Dust Devils, an Americana "Western Electric" band, will be giving a free performance.

The concert will also feature wine specials and Franklin's Cheap Sangria.

Groovin' in the Grapes is for ages 21 and older. Pets are allowed on a leash.

For more information, call (830) 885-4076 or visit www.drycomalcreek.com/groovininthegrapes.html.



Summer Concerts

JULY 17

Michael Bublé

Michael Bublé will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Paramount Theatre in Austin.

JULY 22

Blue October

Blue October will perform at 10:30 p.m. July 22 at the AT&T Center in San Antonio.

JULY 23

Wisin and Yandel

Wisin and Yandel will perform at 8 p.m. July 23 at the Frank Erwin Center in Austin.

JULY 25

Rihanna

Rihanna will perform at 7:30 p.m. July 25 at the AT&T Center in San Antonio.

JULY 27, 29

Jonas Brothers

Jonas Brothers will perform at 7:30 p.m. July 27 at the Superpages.com Center in Dallas and at 7 p.m. July 29 at the AT&T Center in San Antonio.

AUG. 10

Cyndi Lauper

Cyndi Lauper will perform at 8 p.m. Aug. 10 at the Paramount Theatre in Austin.

AUG. 14

Corinne Bailey Rae

Corinne Bailey Rae will perform at 8 p.m. Aug. 14 at La Zona Rosa in Austin.

AUG. 17, 18

Jack Johnson

Jack Johnson will perform at 7 p.m. Aug. 17 at the Superpages.com Center in Dallas. He will also perform at 7 p.m. Aug. 18 at the Woodlands Pavilion in the Woodlands.

For more information on upcoming concerts, visit www.ticketmaster.com.

For more information on events at the Frank Erwin Center, visit www.uterwincenter.com.



Palmer Theater

JULY 15

Thursday
Marmaduke, PG

JULY 16

Friday
Splice, R

JULY 17

Saturday
Killers, R

JULY 18

Sunday
Splice, R

JULY 19

Monday
Killers, R

JULY 20

Tuesday
Splice, R

JULY 21

Wednesday
Killers, R

All shows start at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

Palmer Theater is located in Bldg. 334 at the corner of 31st Street and 761st Tank Battalion Avenue.

For a recording of all upcoming features, call 287-3851.