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Memorial Day Weekend **Means Increased Traffic**



Motorists traveling during the Memorial Day weekend are reminded that state law requires drivers to slow down or move over for emergency vehicles – including tow trucks, police cars and fire trucks – stopped on the side of the road with their emergency lights activated.

Texas law requires drivers to slow down at least 20 miles per hour under the posted speed limit or, if able, to change lanes when they're passing a first responder stopped on the road with their emergency lights activated.

Large numbers of travelers are expected on Texas roads, which means that more breakdowns and traffic stops are likely as well. Drivers should pay attention to what's happening around them and prepare to react quickly.

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From the City River Oaks

River Oaks Food Bank Event Friday, May 24

The River Oaks Food Bank donation days are held on the second and fourth Fridays of each month at the River Oaks Event Center, located at 5300 Blackstone Drive in River Oaks.

Attendees are encouraged to begin lining up by 9 a.m. to get a place in line.

The supply truck often arrives early, meaning the food is given to line members earlier than the posted time.

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Grilling Safety Information Ahead of this Holiday Weekend

of the warmer months ahead. As many people look to Memorial Day weekend as a cue to dust off their grills, the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®) offers tips for grilling safely this holiday weekend and beyond.

"Outdoor grilling is a popular option for cooking food, but it does present risks," said Lorraine Carli, vice president of Outreach and Advocacy at NFPA.

NFPA data shows that between 2017 and 2021, U.S. fire departments responded to an annual average of 11,421 home fires involving grills, hibachis, or barbecues, including 5,763 structure fires and 5,659 outside or unclassified fires. These fires caused an annual average of two civilian deaths, 176 reported civilian injuries, and \$172 million in direct property damage. July was the leading month for grilling fires (16 percent), followed by June (14 percent), May (12 percent) and August (11 percent); grilling fires in November through February accounted for 4 percent or less each year.

According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), for the same open before lighting it. fire-year period, an annual average of 22,155 patients went to emergency rooms because of away from the grilling area. injuries involving grills. Nearly half (47 percent) of the injuries were thermal burns, including both burns from fire and from contact





Outdoor grilling and cookouts are staples with hot objects. These burns typically occurred when someone, often a child, bumped grilling, only use charcoal starter fluid. Never into, touched, or fell on the grill, grill part, or hot coals. In fact, children under five accounted for an average of 2,820 of the contact-type burns (46 percent) per year.

> "These numbers highlight the risks that outdoor grilling presents. Still, there's no reain use. son to avoid grilling during Memorial Day or can significantly reduce the risk of potential injury or experiencing a grilling fire."

dations, and resources for grilling safely, including these key messages:

- leaks before use in the months ahead. (Watch NFPA's video on how to check for leaks.) Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- Place the grill well away from the home, deck railings, and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Keep children and pets at least three feet free at www.nfpa.org/freeaccess.

- If you use starter fluid when charcoal add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire. When you have or are finished grilling, let the coals cool completely before disposing in a metal container.
- Never leave your grill unattended when

For additional grilling safety information, having summer cookouts," said Carli. "By check out the NFPA Podcast episode on grilfollowing simple safety precautions, people ling safety, a blog on fire code grill requirements, and an additional video on some lesser-known grilling safety tips.

NFPA offers a wealth of tips, recommen- About the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®)

Founded in 1896, NFPA® is a global, self-• For propane grills, check the gas tank for funded, nonprofit organization devoted to eliminating death, injury, property and economic loss due to fire, electrical and related hazards. The association delivers information and knowledge through more than 300 consensus codes and standards, research, training, education, outreach and advocacy; and by partnering with others who share an interest in furthering the NFPA mission. For more in-• Always make sure your gas grill lid is formation, visit www.nfpa.org. All NFPA codes and standards can be viewed online for



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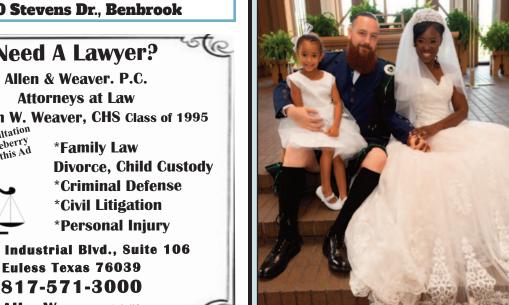
The Fraedrich Family

Joshua Fraedrich and Bahati Mwale Fraedrich were wed by Pastor Ralph Black at the Marty Leonard Community Chapel on July 17, 2022. The couple reside in Fort Worth.

Joshua Fraedrich chose to be legally recognized as the father of Adela James, now to be recognized as Adela Fraedrich.

The Fraedriches welcomed a son Joshua Paul Fraedrich, Jr. on Jan. 5, 2023. He weighed a perfect 7 pounds.

Jousha, Jr. is a joy to the family and loved by his older sister Adela Fraedrich.





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Texas History Minute by Dr. Ken Bridges

CEO of the H-E-B Grocery Store, Howard E. Butt

was seen as a lifeline for a special set of pathe belief it would cure a variety of ailments. Charles C. Butt was one such patient. Once a successful pharmacist, contracting the dreaded tuberculosis meant he and his family had to give up everything in a desperate bid to save his life. One family's desperation would lead to an unexpected opportunity and lead to the creation of one of Texas's most successful grocery store chains, H-E-B.

Charles Butt was born in Mississippi in 1848. By the time, he was in his 30s, he had a wife, a son, and a successful drug store in Grenada, Mississippi. After his first wife died, the new widower met Florence Thornton, a 24vear-old school teacher and college graduate in 1888. The two quickly married and moved to Memphis, where Butt opened a new drug store. The couple soon had three sons.

But in 1904, the family received devastating news when he was diagnosed with tuberculosis, a deadly disease that slowly robbed patients of their ability to breathe. The only treatment at the time was to move to a dry, warm climate to possibly give his lungs a chance to heal.

The family left everything and moved to San Antonio. Within a few months, they moved to nearby Kerrville, a tiny community of maybe 1,600 people, a common destination for many tuberculosis patients and had even attracted a sanitorium to help these patients. With Charles Butt unable to work and four young children to feed, she had to come up with a plan quickly. She worked a series of jobs at first.

In 1905, she invested \$60 in a 750-square foot grocery store, initially called C. C. Butt and Co. The family would live in the rooms above the store, and she would run the business. The children were expected to do their part – cleaning, stocking, and delivering orders. Within a few decades, that \$60 (nearly \$2,000) in 2024 dollars) would become a multi-million dollar business. In the meantime, it kept the family fed.

Like many grocers, it was initially a credit business. And Florence Butt quickly developed a reputation for her generosity. The store became a success. Florence Butt became a respected leader in the community and at her church.

The store also became the first job for the

Generations ago, the dry and dusty West youngest son, Howard Edward. Barely 10 B had 50 locations across South Texas. vears old, his job was to deliver groceries actients, specifically those seeking the dry air in ross town, pulling them in his wagon. By the saw the H-E-B stores grow to one of the most time he was 16, he was effectively managing successful chains in South Texas. On the day the store while continuing to go to school. He she died at age 89, all the H-E-B stores closed graduated high school in 1914 and decided to for the day. go to California as a grape picker.

> sis in 1915 at age 67, and Florence Butt continued to run the store. Howard Butt would serve in the navy in World War I and returned to Kerrville in 1919 to run the store.

> Success is never guaranteed and is never a straight line. Such was the case with Butt and his attempts to expand the family store.

> the store to a self-serve grocery, then a new concept where customers picked out their own counter, which allowed the store to cut prices since they no longer had to chase after customers late on paying their bills. In 1924, he and three other locations in nearby communities.

> However, all four of the new stores soon folded. In spite of the initial failures, he refused to give up.

> He started a store in Del Rio in 1926. This time, the new store worked. Encouraged by his success, he quickly bought three Piggly Wiggly stores in the Rio Grande Valley, borrowing \$38,000, an immense sum for the time. Florence Butt continued to serve as vice-president of the company, now called H.E. Butt Grocery Co. Howard Butt's instincts proved to be correct, and the stores were a success. He moved the company headquarters to Harlingen and opened a canning company, Harlingen Cannery, to provide Texas-grown produce to his customers. While the Great Depression hit Texas hard, he continued to expand.

> In 1931, they opened their first store in Corpus Christi. By this point, the stores were pulling in \$2 million per year (or \$39 million in 2024 dollars). In 1938, they expanded to Austin.

> The store's name soon changed to H-E-B and opened its first store in San Antonio in 1942. H-E-B's headquarters was moved to Corpus Christi, and also in 1942, air conditioning was added to the stores, a welcome novelty for shoppers escaping the heat. By 1944, H-E-

By the time Florence Butt died in 1954, she

Inheriting the tenacity and business sense of Charles Butt died, succumbed to tuberculo- both parents, Howard Butt continued to build. Later in 1954, he opened a new 10,000-square foot supermarket in Kerrville. The chain expanded rapidly in the 1950s, with stores now including bakeries, butchers, and pharmacies and eventually moved its base to San Antonio.

Howard Butt died in 1991 at age 96, with his sons continuing to run what was now a He had many ideas. In 1922, he switched family store in its third generation. The chain continued to expand.

In 1997, the first store was opened in Mexgroceries instead of placing orders at the ico. Today, H-E-B has hundreds of locations and employs 145,000 people, making it one of the largest private employers in Texas.

The store that started with a \$60 investment expanded the operations to include a feedstore made \$38 billion annually by 2022 and gives hundreds of millions of dollars to local charities.



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PM - Mostly clear, with a low around 70. South wind around 5 mph.



Saturday, May 25:

<u>AM</u> - Mostly sunny, with a high near 91. South wind 5 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph. <u>PM</u> - Mostly clear, with a low around 75. South southeast wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.



Sunday, May 26:

AM - Sunny, with a high near 95. West southwest wind around 10 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. **PM** - Clear, with a low around 69. South southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.

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