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7TH ANNUAL LOVE DOWNTOWN AWARDS

Downtown awards honor businesses, volunteers

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Local businesses owners and guests gathered for the 7th annual Love Downtown Awards to celebrate and recognize businesses and volunteers for their contributions to downtown San Marcos at AquaBrew on Friday evening.

Downtown Manager

Josie Falletta expressed her excitement regarding the San Marcos Main Street Program being able to put the event together after two years without it due to the pandemic.

Falletta also recognized those who assisted in making the event possible, including Lori Foster, one of the new owners of AquaBrew, the Main Street Advisory Board and

the Main Street Program staff and interns.

"It's very special that we have such a strong presence of locally owned businesses in our city center and so this event is all about you, it's our opportunity to appreciate you and tell you how much we care about you about all of the wonderful things that

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Above, Main Street Program awarded Zelicks Ice-house with the Business of the Year award during the 7th annual Love Downtown Awards on Friday. Daily Record photo by Alyssa Gonzales

LBJ MUSEUM



Above, Neal Spelce, alongside his daughter Cile Spelce Elly, shares stories during his time as a journalist and his memories of President Lyndon Baines Johnson during the LBJ Museum's spring lecture on Wednesday. Daily Record photo by Nick Castillo

LBJ Museum hosts Neal Spelce for spring lecture

NICK CASTILLO  
MANAGING EDITOR

The Lyndon Baines Johnson Museum of San Marcos hosted renowned Texas newsman and author Neal Spelce for its Spring Lecture.

Spelce, alongside his daughter Cile Spelce Elly, discussed his new book "With the Bark Off: A Journalist's Memories of LBJ and a Life in the News Media" and shared memories of his time with LBJ during his

lecture on Wednesday.

Spelce said he met LBJ while working for KTBC TV in Austin and later went on a world trip with him while he was working a fellowship at CBS News in New York City.

"I didn't know where we were going," Spelce recalled. "[LBJ] said, 'We're going around the world ... President [John F.] Kennedy is sending me to these key

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MISTICK KREWE OF OKEANOS

GOOD TIMES ROLL

Rainy day doesn't damper Krewe of Okeanos' Mardi Gras Parade



Rain on Saturday didn't stop the Mistick Krewe of Okeanos' Mardi Gras parade. Time of Night brass band, floats and Krewe members strolled through the streets of San Marcos on Saturday. For more photos see page 3A. Daily Record photos by Lance Winter



HAYS CISD SCHOOL BOARD

Hays CISD considers upgrading scoreboard for Shelton Stadium

NATHALIE COHETERO  
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

The Hays CISD Board of Trustees is considering replacing the current AV control system at Shelton Stadium, poten-

tially in time for the district's next football season.

According to the administration's recommendation, an ungraded AV control system would not only enhance the stadium experience but also offer

the ability for expanded student opportunities, and advertisement deals to offset cost.

"It's important to enhance Shelton Stadium since it'll be our district stadium for many years," Superintendent Eric

Wright said. "We've had ongoing problems with the old system at Shelton Stadium. An audio and video update would keep the stadium fresh and generate revenue."

VCRNow, a technology orga-

nization specializing in comprehensive AV systems, presented to the board with a proposal package totaling an estimated \$697,091.

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