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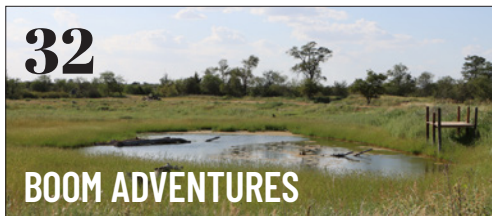
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TRAVEL ADVENTURE

GREECE, EPHEBUS & POMPEII

Ancient Wonders, Modern Adventure

From the ruins of Pompeii to the ancient streets of Ephesus and the beauty of Greece, explore centuries of history on an unforgettable Mediterranean journey—with plenty of adventure along the way.



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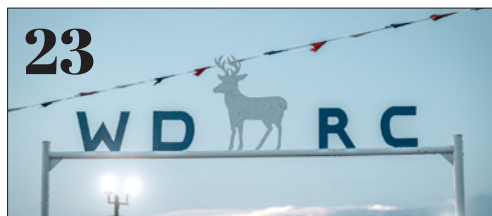
BOOM ADVENTURES

A PLACE TO HEAL

Building More Than a Ranch Retreat

On 110 acres outside Clarendon, BOOM Adventures is creating a permanent home where veterans, first responders and their families can reconnect through the outdoors, peer support and a community built around service.

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THE WHITE DEER EXPERIENCE

68th Annual White Deer Rodeo

Record crowds, legendary music and plenty of rodeo action made the 68th Annual White Deer Rodeo one to remember—and proved once again why this Panhandle tradition is about much more than rodeo.



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SPICER GRIPP MEMORIAL ROPING KICK-OFF PARTY

Celebrating a Legacy of Giving

Friends and supporters gathered in Hereford to kick off another year of the Spicer Gripp tradition and celebrate its lasting impact on agricultural education at West Texas A&M University.

DEPARTMENTS

6 BUZZWORDS: Business news, promotions, milestones, and notable achievements from across the Panhandle.

10 CALENDAR: WTAMU Ag Day • Tri-State Fair & Rodeo • “Lessons from a Shark” • People of Hope exhibit • Our Colors Run Together • Cowboy Up with HOPE • High school and college football • Baseball and more.

COLUMNS

12 RUNNIN' THE ROUTE

Heading West

Leaving Cadillac Ranch behind, Route 66 heads west across wide-open fields and through Panhandle communities on its way to Bushland and Wildorado.

30 ONE SQUARE INCH

The Dark Night of the Soul – But You Have Not Been Abandoned

There are seasons when the soul feels adrift and prayers seem unanswered. Yet even in the darkness, we may discover our Savior has never been closer.

42 ENTERTAINING IDEAS

Work Smarter, Not Harder, Part 3: The Main Course

The main course may seem like the most intimidating part of a dinner party, but thoughtful preparation can make it one of the simplest—and leave the host free to enjoy the evening.

50 CHOMP

Dining out

As summer gives way to fall and schedules fill up, discover a few favorite places to gather with family and friends.

On the cover:



Justin Labriola, Bill Junkins, and Blake Siebrecht of BOOM Adventures at the organization's new Ranch Retreat outside Clarendon, where a permanent home for its growing mission is beginning to take shape.

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