40 YEARS OF FAMILY, FAITH, AND HEREFORD HUSTLE

From a 5,000-head gamble to a trusted 17,000-head custom yard, Scott and Karen Keeling built their operation with faith, steady upgrades, and a people-first culture. What it takes to keep customers, care for cattle, and lead a loyal crew in the Texas Panhandle.



THE ROYAL EDINBURGH MILITARY TATTOO

Each August, Edinburgh Castle becomes a stage for the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. Mike Haynes and his wife were there for the 75th — dinner in the fortress, massed pipes playing "Scotland the Brave," U.S. Old Guard and Air Force units on parade, a salute to Ukraine, and time to roam Britannia, Holyroodhouse, Arthur's Seat, and the festival-packed Royal Mile.



SAYING GOOD-BYE

Fr. Tony reflects on a move within the Texas Panhandle: sorrow in the leaving, gratitude for the season, and hope for what's ahead.



FROM LOSS TO LEGACY

Tucked in a quiet canyon, Dove Creek Equine Rescue has taken in 265 animals since 2012, rehabilitating and adopting out about 80%—and its "Led By Horses" program now helps people heal alongside the herd. Founder Laurie Higgins-Kerley turned grief into a mission that's changing lives.

34 HAPPY 90th, TOMMY BLASINGAME!

Our thanks to the JA-raised cowboy and *Accent West* storyteller whose tales have preserved Panhandle history. Celebrated in Hereford this September — here's to many more stories.

46 ENTERTAINING IDEAS: BRING ON FALL! THE FLAVORS ARE FABULOUS!

As the air turns crisp, Becky serves up stories and recipes with pumpkins, apples, mushrooms, cinnamon, and garden herbs — simple, warm, and shareable.

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