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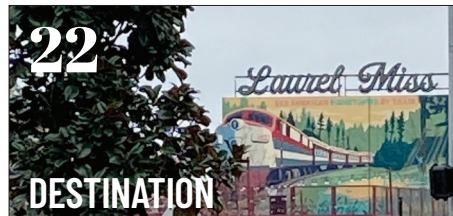
**PALM ROYALE:** Photos from the 70th Annual Amarillo Symphony Ball, "Palm Royale," held on February 8, 2025, at the Rex Baxter Building. The event honored local high school seniors as Belles and Beaux, with proceeds benefiting the Amarillo Symphony Guild's mission to support the Symphony's programs.



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R.W. HAMPTON

**TEXAS COWBOY HALL OF FAME**  
Notable for his stage and screen appearances as well as his fourteen music albums of Western and gospel music, the Amarillo resident has lived the cowboy life and is still a true cowboy.



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DESTINATION

**LAUREL, MISSISSIPPI**  
Like many small towns, Laurel, MS is fading away. However, today the town is thriving, the result of real people committed to their hometown.



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LEADING

**TEXAS WHEAT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR STEELEE FISCHBACHER**  
Fischbacher is being honored this month as the 2025 Leading Lady in Ag at the inaugural Western Legacy Awards presented by the Tri-State Fair & Rodeo

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Discover the lure of the local!
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Amarillo College collaborates with law enforcement agencies to eradicate this lethal substance from our neighborhoods.
- 30 **TALES FROM TOMMY: JACK CURRY**  
Jack was a good, hard-working cowboy who quietly took care of a problem if there was one, but he was nobody's fool.
- 31 **ONE SQUARE INCH: ORPHANS**  
In this plane of life, almost all of us will eventually become orphans. Yet Jesus said, "I will not leave you without consolation."

- 46 **ENTERTAINING IDEAS: CELEBRATING THE HUMANITIES AND A WELL-SET TABLE**  
Whether in fundraising or dining, maximizing resources for the greatest impact is crucial. Thoughtful planning and purpose yield positive results in both cases. For menu planning, one could consider starting with what's on hand, particularly if that's rotisserie chicken. Becky McKinley offers satisfying, creative results that stay within budget.

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**On the cover:**  
At the Symphony Ball, Belles Cody Boxwell, Bentleigh Bundy, and Tierney Klein. Photo by David Williams Photography.

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