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Arrest doesn't deter efforts for LVT Rise

BY MITCH MITCHELL
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FORT WORTH
 The recent arrest of a community figure has not slowed rebuilding efforts by civic leaders determined to uplift a neighborhood in pain, project organizers said.

Abdul Chappell, 46, a prominent face on the Las Vegas Trail Revitalization Project, known as LVT Rise, was arrested earlier this month and has given up his seat at the table.

Chappell said he became disenchanted with the project — a partnership of private companies, human service organizations and government agencies — because funding to expand the programs he created was not provided.

The Star-Telegram did a series of stories more than a year ago which brought the plight of that neighborhood into sharp relief.

Since then, project organizers at the United Way of Tarrant County have obtained annual funding from the city of Fort Worth that will allow the creation of an LVT Rise staff and assist in acquiring land for a community center in the area, an emailed statement from the United Way said. More than \$300,000 has been collected from private foundations, the statement said.

"Our focus continues to be on creating a brighter future for the residents of Las Vegas Trail," the statement said.

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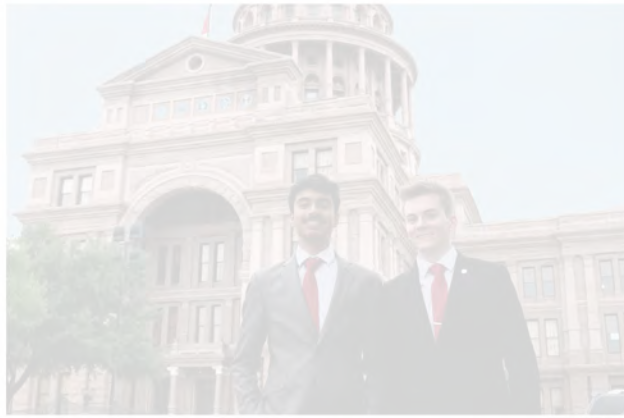
LOCAL & TEXAS A RENEWED CALL FROM GOD

Gateway Pastor Robert Morris says a near-death experience reiterated that his purpose in life is to help others and to spread joy. **1B**

LOCAL & STATE DEBATE DERAILS ON TEXAS TV

State Sen. Konni Burton blindsides opponent Beverly Powell by bringing up lawsuit over business taxes. Bud Kennedy, **1B**

ELECTION



Carroll Senior High School students Sahaj Singh, left, and Cameron Waltz, both 17, visit the state Capitol during a school trip in April. They established a political action committee to promote civil bipartisan political discourse.

Students help others register to vote, promote civil debate

“WHEN MY GENERATION REACHES 18, WITHOUT YOUTH CIVIC ENGAGEMENT, WE’LL BE STUCK IN A WORLD THAT DOESN’T REFLECT OUR VALUES AND IDEAS.”

Sahaj Singh, high school student

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SOUTHDALE
 Sahaj Singh and Cameron Waltz want more people to vote, but when the midterm elections take place on Nov. 6, they can't cast ballots.

That's because at 17, the two voter registration advocates aren't old enough to vote. But that hasn't kept these friends from mobilizing a voter registration effort.

"It is a very funny irony," Waltz said, adding that just because they can't vote doesn't mean they won't make a difference.

The Carroll Senior High School students are helping dozens of young people register to vote on two fronts — as part of a school club called Little America and through a political action committee, or super PAC, they created to promote civil political discourse off campus.

BackPAC is a nonpartisan political action committee that touts the motto "Education. Engagement. Reform."

Since the two seniors filed organization papers with the Federal Election Commission in August 2017, BackPAC has grown to include about 2,000

members in 15 states, including Florida, New Jersey and Illinois.

High school students in Ann Arbor, College Station, Dallas and Houston have also started branches under the BackPAC umbrella, Singh said.

The branches have registered more than 500 voters with about 100 of those being from Carroll Senior High.

"Democracy is a process rooted in collaboration on the societal level, and I think voter registration allows us as individuals to feel that sense of community," Singh said.

"When my generation reaches 18, without youth civic engagement, we'll be stuck in a world that doesn't reflect our values and ideas. Political participation truly is necessary if you want to be part of American society."

POLITICAL ACTION 101
 In the summer of 2016, the nation was in the thick of a presidential election season. Little lines were drawn be-

SEE STUDENTS, 7A

Questions remain after man killed during traffic stop

BY NICHOLE MANNA
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ARLINGTON
 It's been nearly a month since an unnamed Arlington police officer shot and killed O'Shae Terry as Terry tried to flee from a traffic stop, but several questions have still gone unanswered.

The Star-Telegram sent the 30 minutes of footage from body-worn cameras and dash-cam footage that the police department released to several professors in law and criminal justice to ask for their opinions.

A few declined to comment on the case because of one particular unanswered question.

Another spoke about the case in terms of case law. Another said he doesn't understand why the shooting even happened.

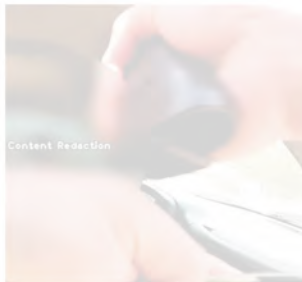
Questions sent to the Arlington Police Department about the case and status of the officer who shot Terry were not answered because the case is still under investigation, spokesperson Karen Stanback said.

THE STOP

Terry, 24, was stopped by a female officer at about 1:45 p.m. Sept. 1 in the 2300 block of South Bowen Road for an expired registration sticker.

After a second officer showed

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O'Shae Terry, 24, was fatally shot by an Arlington police officer after he tried taking off from a traffic stop on Sept. 1.

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Fatboys Resort, built over deep water to accommodate boats and to protect coral near the shore, encourages guests to relax, or if absolutely necessary, sample the scuba, snorkeling, fishing and village walks. On Mbambanga Island, in Ferguson Passage near Gizo airport, Western Province, Solomon Islands.

Steve Naggett/Globe Staff
Market day at Gizo, capital of the Western Province, is a major event attended by sellers, buyers and tourists, all arriving by water. On Ghizo Island in the Western Province.



Steve Naggett/Globe Staff
Primo Pukulesa, an expert weaver at Lunatopopoho village, Guadalcanal, prepares sago palm leaves for shaping and drying. He uses them to make floor mats, wall coverings, bowls and baskets.

FROM WAR TO WONDERLAND

Uncovering the secrets of the Solomon Islands

BY ANNE Z. COOKE
Tribune News Service

HONIARA, SOLOMON ISLANDS
If it weren't for the potholes, cavernous pits sloping us down on the road to Honiara, in the Solomon Islands, I might have missed the sign on the tree, "Dolphin View Cottage." But Andrew, our guide, knew the road by heart.

"That's Goyas Tobabelana," he said, waving at a

stocky, dark-skinned man in rumpled shorts, a faded T-shirt and flip-flops. "He works here in Guadalcanal. C'mon, let's say hello."

Beyond the bungalow, Goyas' two teenagers lounged on a picnic table, playing with their pet cockatoo. Behind them the beach sloped down to Iron Bottom Sound, the World War II graveyard where 50-odd American and Japanese ships lie at rest. Across the water,

Savo Island shimmered on the horizon.

For a couple of minutes, the two men chatted, speaking Pijin so quietly I couldn't make out the words. Then Goyas turned to me and we shook hands.

"You're from America!" he said, switching to English and lighting up. "Do you like it here? Have you been to Gizo and seen the beautiful coral reefs? Yes, my grandfather was a coast watcher during

Steve Naggett/Globe Staff
Views of hills and green pastures seen from Bloody Ridge, on Guadalcanal, stand in stark contrast to the half-sunken foxholes where 40 Marines died on Sept. 12-13, 1942.

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World War II, a spy you'd say, reporting Japanese movements to the Americans. He watched the battle of Savo Island from right here."

A name and a handshake are de rigueur in the Solomons, deep in the South Pacific. Being American counts, too, especially here, where 5,800 Americans were killed or injured fighting the invading Japanese.

"We're known for two things," said Ellison Kyere, from the tourist offices, when my partner Steve and I met him for lunch at the Lime Lounge Cafe, in Honiara. "For the battle sites and for scuba diving, under the water. It's time to tell the story of island life on land."

A tall order, indeed. The islanders, mostly Melanesian, are scattered over 347 of the country's 922 islands, speaking both Pijin and one of the country's 75 different languages. Some are farmers; some work for the government. Some wear grass skirts and use shell money for barter; others are proud to count headhunters among their ancestors. A few own speed boats; most paddle to market in a "mola," a homemade dugout canoe.

We took the overnight Fiji Airways flight from Los Angeles to Fiji's Nadi airport, changed planes, then flew on to Henderson International Airport, in Honiara, the capital city. I'd brought my phone so I took advantage of the airport's "tourist special," a SIM card good for 75 minutes, for just U.S. \$1.50. And we booked a guide for the next day's city tour.

We were still jetlagged

the next morning when Andrew pulled up in a shiny black SUV. "All our cars are Japanese and they're all second-hand," he apologized. "Never get new ones. And the Japanese are building an overpass and paving the street and it's taking forever," he added as we inched along past grimy storefronts and vegetable stands overflowing with greens, tomatoes and squash.

"That one, where everybody shops, is owned by a Chinese company," he said, nodding at a big-box department store, the kind we've seen in other third-world countries, there to pave the way to building and mining contracts.

I booked for something I could brag on - an American-built hospital or a college - but we'd already turned away, heading to the Memorial Garden cemetery, the American War Memorial and Bongel Beach, famous for wreck dives. "That's Bloody Ridge," Andrew said, parking the car on a grassy hump of land.

Standing there, imagining the chaos of battle, it felt unreal to be gazing out over sleepy fields while at my feet, still visible, were the foxholes where 40 U.S. Marines died.

The trip - now nicknamed "Solomons 101" - began in earnest when we flew north to airfields at Gizo, on Ghizo Island, and Munda, on New Georgia, both in the Western Province, the gateway to equatorial rain forests, volcanic mountains, blue lagoons and sandy beaches.

Met by a skiff and driver, we were off, speeding over a shimmering blue lagoon, to Fat Boys Resort, an all-inclusive, palm-fringed lodge built over deep water, with five bamboo-walled guest bungalows perched on the shore. Our base camp for the next few days, the lodge was a short boat ride to Kennedy Island, where we went ashore to see where Lt. John Kennedy and his PT-109 crew hid after a Japanese vessel sank their ship. And close enough to a string of shallow reefs to spend a couple of hours snorkeling, before landing for a grilled-lobster picnic.

"The rising ocean is washing the island away," said Sam, the boat captain, when I asked why one of the trees, its roots submerged in saltwater, seemed to be dying. "People used to think the trees had a disease," he told me. "Now they know it's global warming."

It was party time the next day at Gizo's Friday market. Families in dugout canoes docked at the waterfront, buyers crowded the aisles, coins changed hands, sellers hauled their friends and old ladies filled their shopping bags. Everyone strolled, asking where we were from and posing for photos.

"Nagi nuts - the holy grail of snacks here in the islands - were in season,

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Seven seaside getaways fall within budget

BY MIVANT VIEHA
The New York Times

A vacation to a beautiful seaside destination does not have to blow your budget. Travelers who plan their visit for the right time — shoulder or offseason, perhaps, or on a weekday — can find plenty of deals in seaside locales known for their high prices.

When it comes to Europe, for example, Simona Amorico, an owner of Access Italy, said the prices drop by at least 25 percent in upscale spots like the Amalfi Coast after the middle of September. Besides the lower prices, there are other benefits to a post-peak-season trip.

"You have a higher chance of getting room upgrades and reservations at popular restaurants," he said. "Stores also offer discounts because they want to get rid of their merchandise from the season." Overall, Amorico said that travelers can look forward to a trip with fewer crowds and plenty of opportunities to interact with locals in a relaxed way.

Here are seven options for your own luxury beach escape.

CALIFORNIA DREAMING

In Santa Monica, Hotel Casa del Mar, an exclusive beach club in the 1920s with panoramas of the Pacific Ocean, has an offer where guests who book three nights get a fourth night free. A daily \$75 breakfast credit is included and can be used toward room service or at the property's Coast restaurant. Bookings start from \$489 a night after the discount. The promotion is valid through the

end of the year.

A LONG WEEKEND IN BERMUDA

Bermuda is less than a 1 1/2-hour flight from New York or Boston, and CheapCaribbean has an all-inclusive package to the British island territory from both cities. In addition to airfare, the package includes a three-night stay at the Fairmont Southampton, a nearly 100-acre beach resort full of coconut palm trees. Bookings are valid from Nov. 1 to Dec. 30 and start at \$629 per person. The package is also available with flights from Washington, Chicago and Philadelphia with prices starting at \$679 per person.

A BRAZILIAN BEACH ESCAPE

Located in the small beachside village of Trancoso, in Brazil's Bahia state, UXUA Casa Hotel & Spa, a collection of 11 fishermen's casas, offers three-, five- or seven-night Ultimate UXUA Experience packages, which include a welcome drink; a scenic boat trip to remote Espinho beach, considered to be one of the country's most beautiful beaches; lunch at the property's Asian-fusion restaurant, Silvinha's; a private cooking class on Bahian cuisine; and a daily massage. Prices start at \$475 a night for two people, and you can book at any time.

A PRIVATE COUPLES GETAWAY IN BALI

For those up for a far-flung seaside holiday, the Belmond Jimbaran Puri, in Bali, has a Suite Life promotion, which includes a stay in a villa with a private terrace and pool, butler service, breakfast, dinner for two at the prop-

erty's Tanjung restaurant, a couple's massage and a one-way airport transfer. Bookings are valid indefinitely, and start from \$550 a night for two people.

FUN IN THE MEXICAN SUN

In Los Cabos, the West-in Los Cabos Resort Villas & Spa, which overlooks the Sea of Cortez and has three pools and a private beach, is offering the Los Cabos Getaway package. It includes accommodations in a two-bedroom villa, a private sunset sailing trip and a private tequila tasting. The promotion is valid through the end of the year, and bookings start at \$169 a night.

WELLNESS OPTIONS ON THE AMALFI COAST

Two properties on the Amalfi Coast are offering wellness-focused packages in October and early November.

Monastero Santa Rosa, a former 19th-century monastery perched on a cliff and overlooking the Gulf of Salerno, has the Cliff & Hike package. Included are three nights' accommodations, a guided hike through the Amalfi hills; a picnic lunch prepared by the resort's Michelin-starred chef, Christoph Bob; a cooking class on healthy Italian food; and an arnica body wrap treatment in the spa. The promotion is valid from Oct. 15 to Nov. 4, and bookings start at \$2,935, all-inclusive, per person.

Hotel Santa Caterina, in the town of Amalfi, situated among groves of lemons and oranges, offers the Sense of Well Being package, which includes accommodations, breakfast, a welcoming package that includes sparkling wine, a fruit basket and flowers, a low-calorie lunch and a massage for two. The promotion is valid from Oct. 7 to Nov. 3, and tickets start from 593 euros (about \$675) per night.

are to visit the barracks and look at the monument. Ata, the keeper, produced a carved wood bust of the youthful Kennedy, which he hides at night. "It's been stolen and recovered twice," he said, leading me to a group of rusty cannons. The real surprise was the modern bathroom.

Two days later, as our adventure wound down and we boarded a 16-seat Twin Otter for the flight back to Honiara — an aerial tour over islands, bays, coral reefs, rain forests, volcanoes, waterfalls and mountains — I suddenly realized how much we'd missed. The Solomon Islands, spectacular, varied and pristine, with an annual visitor count of just 24,000, remains one of the world's last unspoiled destinations (www.visit-solomonis.com.sb).

Going on to Lufarua Island, the PT-base base where Kennedy and his crew were stationed during the war, we went ash-

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so I stocked up with a half-dozen folded-leaf packages. Green taro leaves compacted with slippery spinach (Malabar spinach), purple bananas, carrots and beet roots, commonly chewed here, an affordable substitute for coffee or cigarettes.

"What do they taste like?" I asked an older man with red-rimmed eyes (the clue, who offered me a seat in the shade. "Do they make you feel relaxed?" I ventured to ask.

"Oh, no, they give you energy!" he said, smiling, showing me how he folded the nut and leaf together with a pinch of slaked lime (ash from burned clam shells). "One or two of these and I want to get up and work all day."

Flying on to Munda, on our next leg, we checked into the Agnes Gateway

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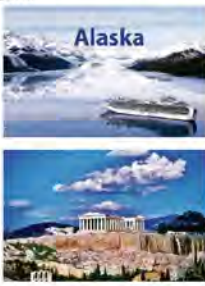
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