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Children greet their favorite fairy tale characters during Spring Egg-stravaganza at Courtyard by Marriott New Braunfels River Village on Saturday, April 3, 2021. Children participated in a character-led Easter egg hunt and then visited with fairy tale characters from Once Upon A Party. MIKALA COMPTON | Herald-Zeitung

NB businessman remembered for his energy, heart

Ron Snider, 70, played a big part in efforts to revitalize downtown New Braunfels area

By Steve Knight
The Herald-Zeitung



Ron Snider

New Braunfels businessman and restaurant owner Ron Snider, known for his work rebuilding and revitalizing downtown, died on Friday. He was 70.

Snider was born on Sept. 28, 1950. According to a previous Herald-Zeitung story, he grew up in inner-city Indianapolis, Ind., and said he traced his love of old buildings to those years.

Describing himself as a "serial entrepreneur," Snider had worked to rebuild downtown New Braunfels since he came to town in 1982 when he began a

business building wooden playground equipment. He opened the New Braunfels Smoker Company in 1989, a barbecue manufacturing company, which he sold in 1997.

It wasn't long after Snider settled in New Braunfels that he and his partner, Darrell Sollberger, began

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Eggciting Event

LEFT: Evelyn Christa, 4, examines her Easter eggs during Spring Egg-stravaganza at Courtyard by Marriott New Braunfels River Village on Saturday, April 3, 2021. Children participated in a character-led Easter egg hunt and then visited with fairy tale characters from Once Upon A Party.

BOTTOM: Families visit with fairy tale characters, including Alice and the Mad Hatter, during Spring Egg-stravaganza at Courtyard by Marriott New Braunfels River Village on Saturday.

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COVID-19

Comal continues its vaccination efforts as cases remain low

By Steve Knight
The Herald-Zeitung

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With more vaccine clinics scheduled this week, Comal County's standby list remains open to all residents ages 18 and older after state officials recently expanded eligibility requirements to receive COVID-19 vaccine doses.

While state eligibility rules allow people 16 and older to be vaccinated, Comal County's clinics will only be for those over 18 because it is distributing

the Moderna vaccine. The two-shot Moderna and the Johnson & Johnson single shot haven't been approved for people under the age of 18. Only the two-shot Pfizer vaccine is approved for those who are 16 and 17 years old.

Registration is available

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Comal County Annex renovation project's price tag continues to climb

Commissioners again postpone federal jail agreement

By Will Wright
The Herald-Zeitung

County officials on Monday said there will be continued change orders adding expenses to the Annex renovation project.

County Judge Sherman Krause reiterated what County Engineer Tom Hornseth said Thursday

on the seventh change order for the Annex Building Renovation Project, which covered interior and exterior changes and subtracted from county (\$70,540) and builder SpawGlass Contractors' (\$73,766) contingency in the project.

"We've run into situations we didn't expect in the renovation,

and in some cases we're having to make changes to accommodate that," he said. "We did plan for that through the contingency we had in the project, to cover those unforeseen expenses, as did the contractor."

The most recent changes, along with security, design and other measures — the most ex-

pensive being ones connected with the Landa Building and Inmate Holding Facility — have increased Annex renovations by \$780,068 and now total \$11.808 million. The latest added days to the project lost to February's freeze — delaying its projected finish from July 2 to July 12.

SpawGlass has \$219,466

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Comal County Judge

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