Wallen, Brandy

Woman dies after stabbing

Brandy Wallen, 45, of Decatur, who was a swim instructor at Fit-N-Wise, died at Wise Health System on the evening of Jan. 7 after being stabbed at a tanning salon in the 1000 block of Business U.S. 380 in Decatur by an estranged boyfriend. Ronnie Brezina, 63, of Decatur was arrested Jan. 10 and charged with capital murder in his hospital room at Medical City Denton. Brezina, who fled the scene of the attack, was flown to the hospital by Air Evac Lifeteam 68 after crashing a SUV into a tree, ending a pursuit in the median just north of County Road 2798 near Brushy Creek north of Alvord. He had multiple self-inflicted stab wounds and a head injury. He was transferred to Wise County Jail after being discharged from the hospital.