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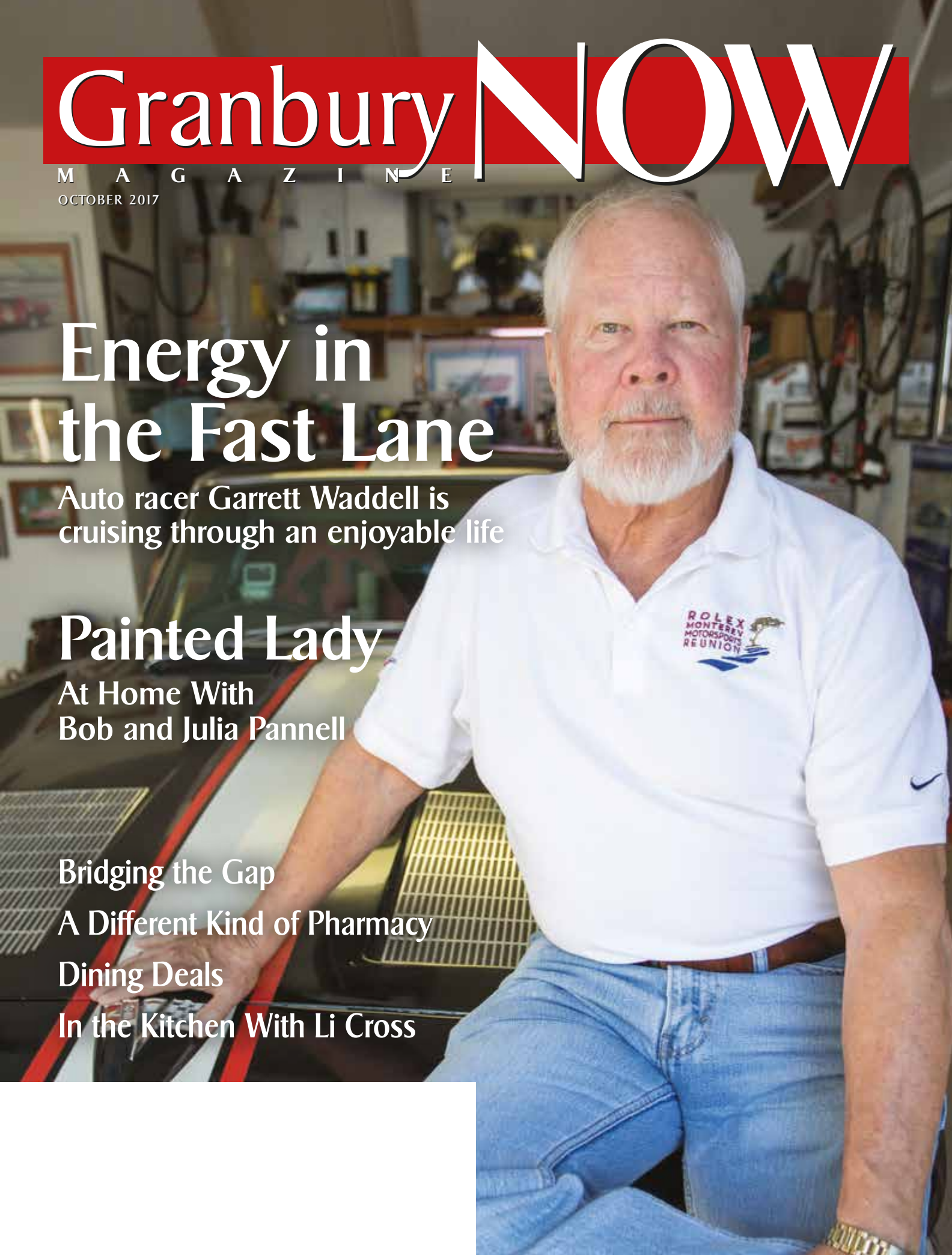
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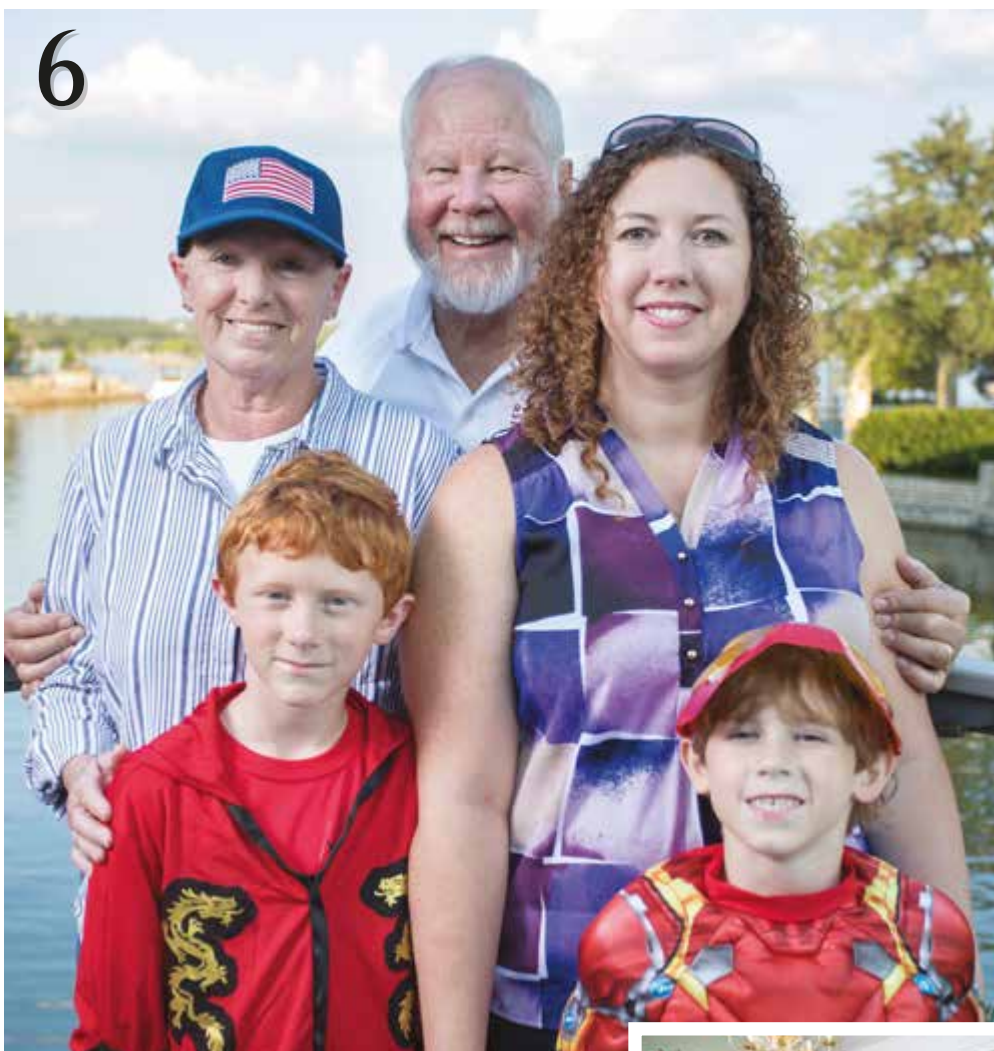
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## Editor's Note

*Hello, Granbury Family and Friends!*



Here in Granbury, October means Harvest Moon and a world of artistic abilities. But what exactly is art anyway? Local artist Elise Techentine once told me anything can be art. From the visual renditions our minds usually invoke by the mere mention of the word, to impeccably prepared meals, our world surrounds us with art. Inside, we all have some degree of artistic ability. Yet we don't always see everyday art, and many of us seldom see the abilities in ourselves.

Maybe I sing, and I can paint — neither of these well enough to leave my day job. I barely display the efforts in my own home. But I enjoy the process. Half of art is about the process. This month, if you sew, cook, dance, write, work with wood, employ logical thinking or so many other things, consider the art in much of what you do. You might surprise yourself at how artistic you really are.

Happy fall!

*Lisa*

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# ENERGY

*There's old, and there's vintage. Garrett Waddell knows the difference, because he is the difference. He and the type of auto racing he loves are the latter. "What were the coolest cars in your graduating class?" asked Garrett, a vintage auto racer. "I couldn't afford to race a Ferrari if they gave it to me for free. My Porsche almost broke me. With my Corvette, I can go down to a Chevy dealer, and they have whatever I need in stock."*

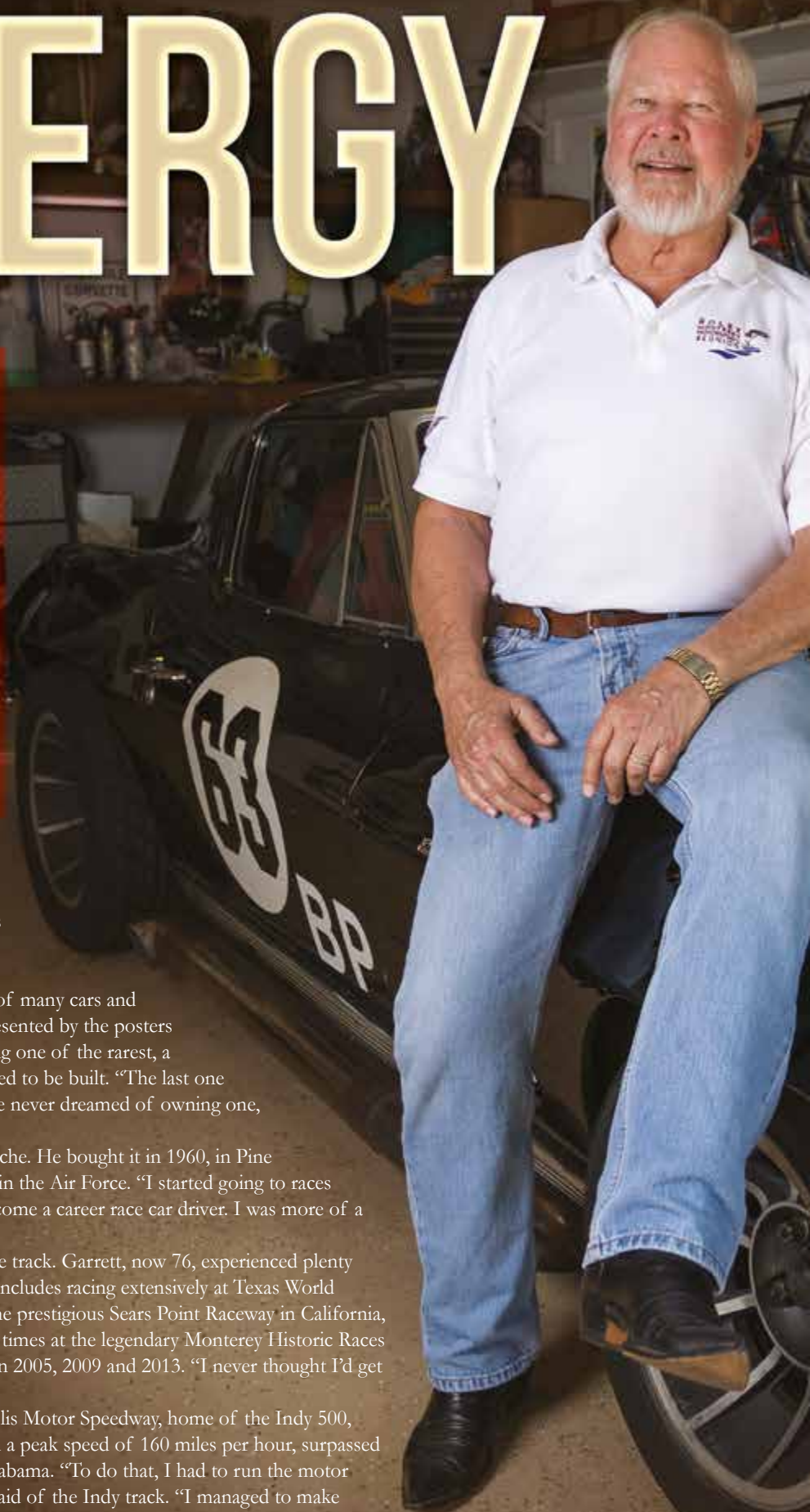
Inside Garrett's garage is his pride and joy, a black and white 1963 Corvette Z06 with fuel injection and a 327 CID (cubic inch displacement) engine. It has the number 63 on the sides, and he's owned it for 42 years. There's another '04 Z06 Corvette parked in his driveway.

Throughout his garage are posters and photos of many cars and racing events. He participated in all the races represented by the posters and has gone up against most of the cars, including one of the rarest, a 1963 Grand Sport Corvette. Only five were believed to be built. "The last one changed hands for about \$5 million," he said. "I've never dreamed of owning one, but I've raced with them."

It all began with the previously mentioned Porsche. He bought it in 1960, in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, with money he saved from being in the Air Force. "I started going to races to run flags," he said. "It was never my goal to become a career race car driver. I was more of a gentleman racer."

Gentleman, yes, but also a tough foe on the race track. Garrett, now 76, experienced plenty of success over his many decades of racing. This includes racing extensively at Texas World Speedway in College Station, numerous times at the prestigious Sears Point Raceway in California, the inaugural Dallas Grand Prix in 1984 and three times at the legendary Monterey Historic Races (now the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion) in 2005, 2009 and 2013. "I never thought I'd get invited there. That was so special," Garrett said.

Garrett even raced on the oval at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, home of the Indy 500, perhaps the world's most famous race. He reached a peak speed of 160 miles per hour, surpassed only by the time he reached 180 at Talladega in Alabama. "To do that, I had to run the motor at 7,200 RPM (revolutions per minute)," Garrett said of the Indy track. "I managed to make







# IN THE FAST LANE

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six laps on the oval, and I seized up the engine. But, it's such a great track. The straightaways go on forever."

Something else special to Garrett was his recent performance at the Motorsport Ranch in Cresson. The event benefited the battle against cancer, and he beat both the competition and the weather to help the cause.

Garrett was himself diagnosed with cancer in his esophagus four years ago. It is inoperable, but it's not stopping him from continuing to live his life to the fullest. "I am not dying of cancer. I'm living with cancer," Garrett said. "They said, 'You're going to die in a year.'"

Whatever time he has left, Garrett is in control. He bikes regularly, even competing in the Hotter'N Hell 100 in Wichita Falls; enjoys a nice glass of wine, while overlooking the lake from his enclosed back porch; and stays positive. "I'm not afraid of the death part. I don't think anybody who gets in a race car is afraid of death," he admitted.

As for the race in Cresson, Garrett was determined to compete despite the wet weekend. Conditions on the track were made even trickier, but he was on a mission. Besides racing, he was part of a charity ride-along associated with the event. "It's a great challenge racing in that weather," he said. "But how could I not go? People paid for a ride with a professional driver, and I was one of the drivers. If that was my last race, well, I was able to bookend my career with wins in the rain, and that's not about going fast. It's about how close you can get to the edge without stepping over."

Garrett's racing strategy has always been two-fold: make sure he and his car remain intact, and be patient and wait for the other driver to do something wrong. "You wait for the other guy to make a mistake. You



drive *your* race,” he said. “The stuff you can’t control happens on the street. At least on the race track, everybody is focused.”

Garrett has never been involved in a bad accident racing cars. However, he did have a terrible accident racing motorcycles at Bridgehampton, Long Island, New York. “The next morning, my wife, Pat, came into my hospital room and tore up my license. She said, ‘You can race all the cars you want, but you are done with motorcycles,’” Garrett remembered.

Garrett and Pat, herself a cancer survivor in recent years, have been married since 1977. They have a daughter, Sarah, who has also driven his race cars on occasion. They have two grandsons, 8-year-old Keegan and 6-year-old Teddy.

Garrett’s family has worked as part of his pit crew throughout the years. Keegan especially likes this. “I like being around the fast cars,” Keegan said. “I’d like to drive fast someday.”

Garrett and Pat have been members of the Brazos River Corvette Club for eight years. She has served as secretary and treasurer, and of course, she has been by Garrett’s side all through his career. “It’s been very busy, always racing,” she said. “You do a lot of traveling. It’s been a great family experience. All in all, it’s been a lot of fun.” One of Pat’s first gifts to Garrett was a set of tires for his race car. He once gave her a crash helmet as a present.

Garrett and Pat are both retired engineers. They bought their house in Granbury in 1980, when they moved here to help start the Comanche Peak nuclear plant in Glen Rose. They moved a variety of places, but kept the house in Granbury, renting it out. He said they never found a place they liked better and always planned on returning, which they did in 2009. “We always knew we’d come back,” he stated. “Granbury has great people. We have great neighbors.”

He never raced for financial gain, instead, he races because it’s fun. It’s really that simple. “You race because you can’t not race,” he said. “If it’s in you, it’s something you just have to do.”

Garrett doesn’t race to a set schedule any longer. In fact, he may not ever race again, but he’s not committing to either status. “If I’m still capable of driving a race car and they have this event next year in Cresson, well yes, I’ll definitely drive,” he said. “I won’t quit living before life is over.” **NOW**

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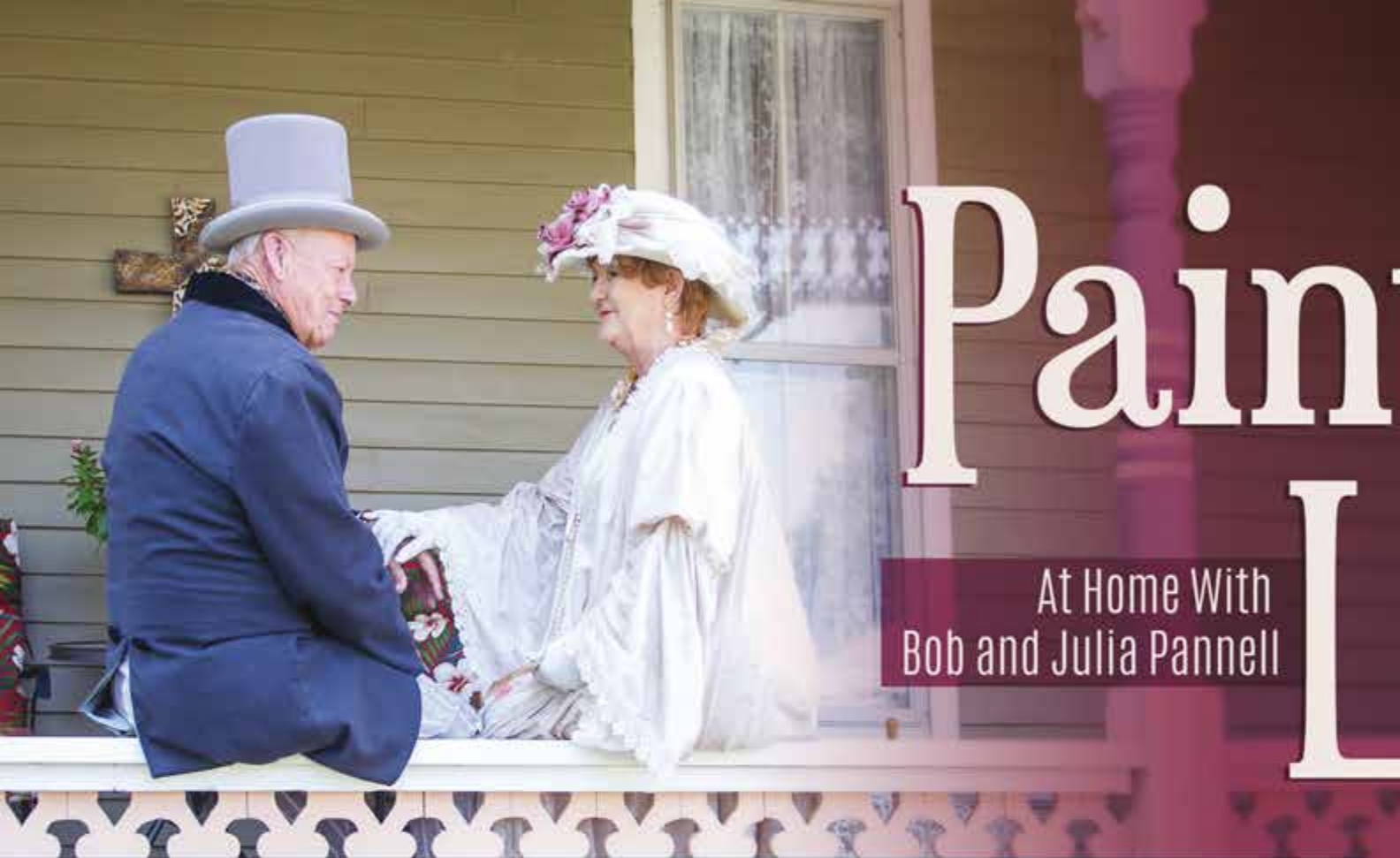
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# Painted Lady

## At Home With Bob and Julia Pannell

*When Robert Randolph Daniel built this Painted Lady in 1892, he filled it with character, and today it stands strong and beautiful. Then in 1899, prominent businessman Wesley Smith Harris purchased the home, which reflects the Victorian style, with influences of Italianate and Eastlake styles. Complete with an ornate square tower and intricate ornamentation, the state registered it as a Texas Historic Landmark in 1981. Near the landmark sign, located in the front yard, a “carriage rock” marks the spot where carriages stopped to pick up passengers. This Painted Lady features multiple colors on the exterior, blended and inviting. The large main porch and a smaller side porch invite guests to sit and relax.*

When Bob and Julia Pannell recently bought the home, they found it to be well cared for, but the style didn't fit their dreams for restoration. Using well-preserved photos, they enlisted the help of Michael Reed to return the home to a more elegant look and feel. They have also filled it with artwork from Cynthia James and enlisted Glenda Ramsey to help with ideas and floral arrangements.





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This isn't the Pannells' first historic home to buy and restore. When they first moved to Granbury in 1994, they bought the JH Doyle House, which Julia refers to as the Old Captain's House. Living in Dallas, Julia felt they should move to Granbury. Bob trusted her enough to say, "OK." One night, he called her and said, "You have to come to Granbury and see this house." It was midnight, but she drove out while he talked to her on the phone.

"I hated it. It was horrible," she said. But she had written down these

requirements: on the lake, a historic house, in the historic district and near the square.

"How are you going to answer to that?" he asked. That house turned out to be a true blessing, eventually becoming a bed and breakfast, and involving them in the community.

With this Painted Lady, they have no desire for another business. Both agree they want to use the house to benefit their beloved community. They have space to entertain personally and for small city-hosted events. They welcome tours of their home and love teaching some Granbury history. "To get everything done that you need, I'd have to live to be about 140. It's a lifelong project," Bob said with a laugh.

The front entrance is adorned with heavy drapes, dividing it from the foyer, which contains a welcoming table with displayed family photos. The tower above the entryway stays lighted at

night, displaying amazing original stained glass. A small library holds historical and patriotic memorabilia.

Previous owners changed some of the original footprint 60 years ago. They enclosed a walkway, creating a hallway with a door to the backyard and parking. The lower half of this hallway has wainscoting, while the upper half exhibits wallpaper featuring angels — not original, but a reproduction of wallpaper from 1892.

A large guestroom with a full bathroom sits off the hallway. Almost two full walls contain floor-to-ceiling windows, producing bright natural lighting. In this room, Julia has furnishings from her





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granny and great-granny, which fit the Victorian style. Although updated, the guest bathroom retains an Old-World feeling.

Pete, the Greek, restored four intricately mantled fireplaces, which now warm the house using Dearborn logs. But the absolute best helping hands came from their daughter, Kellie, and granddaughter, Hannah. This three-generation team set goals, and at the end of each day looked back and said, "Another good day."

In the great room, Julia has a large footstool and four chairs sitting in front of another fireplace. At the opposite end, they placed a large dining table, one of the few items they purchased for the house. They already owned most of the family heirloom furniture in their home. The great room is one reason they purchased the house. Having started a Bible study that grew quickly, they needed a larger gathering space.

One showcased needlework piece came from Julia's mother's friend, Mrs. Sturgeon, whose grandmother started it in 1826. Over the years the piece passed from the Sturgeon family to Julia's mother, Mae, and then to Julia. After learning the stitching, she finished it in 1989. Five generations of family and friends worked on this piece for 163 years, with a design befitting a Victorian home.

The master suite includes a large sitting area in front of the fireplace. An open archway leads to the bedroom area, where at the foot of the bed, Julia's hope chest holds linens. The cedar chest, built by her great-great-uncle for his oldest daughter back in 1934, passed to her mother, and then Julia received it at age 16.

The house contains a great deal of stained glass, paintings and designs on interior glass. Not surprising since Bob creates stained glass and Julia paints. What







was once a guesthouse behind the house now serves as Bob's space for his hobbies. Julia chose a room off the great room, where she not only paints but also has her computer and works on volunteer projects.

Both of them are very involved in the community. She served as chairperson for the Brazos Pregnancy Galas for years. Now she serves on the City Parks Committee. In that capacity, Julia helped raise funds for the Firefighter Park and more recently took leadership of the Memorial Lane Project. Bob serves on the Historic Preservation Committee and faithfully delivers food every Wednesday for Meals on Wheels. "My Honey is a very humble man," Julia said. Most people don't know he took charge of restoring the old jailhouse not long after moving to Granbury. It literally had grass growing through the walls and was in bad shape.

Julia's love and pride for Bob shows strongly, and they just celebrated their 58th anniversary on September 11. They met in grade school, and as high school seniors, they reconnected at church. "We loved everything about each other. But we fell in love over the years," Julia said. "I'm the bumblebee, and Bob is the honeycomb."

The couple entertains visitors almost daily, whether for a tour, a simple cup of coffee and a chat or a visit. This beautiful Victorian home will be featured in the "2017 Granbury – A Candlelight Tour." Julia looks forward to dressing in period costume for the event.

They can't imagine living anywhere else, and absolutely love living near the square. "It's our Granbury, and we love it," Julia admitted. Strong faith, mutual trust and drawing upon each other's strengths continue to give them the teamwork needed for projects — and for many more years of a loving marriage in this Painted Lady. **NOW**



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# BRIDGING THE GAP

— By Rick Mauch

*Gwen Newton does not see barriers. She sees opportunities. For example, some of her fourth grade English as a Second Language students in the Granbury ISD and some independent living residents from Waterview Senior Living Center have bridged the age gap. Through modern technology, they have become buddies. "I took a service course called The Technically Driven Classroom," Gwen recalled. "They showed a clip of some folks in a retirement home video chatting."*

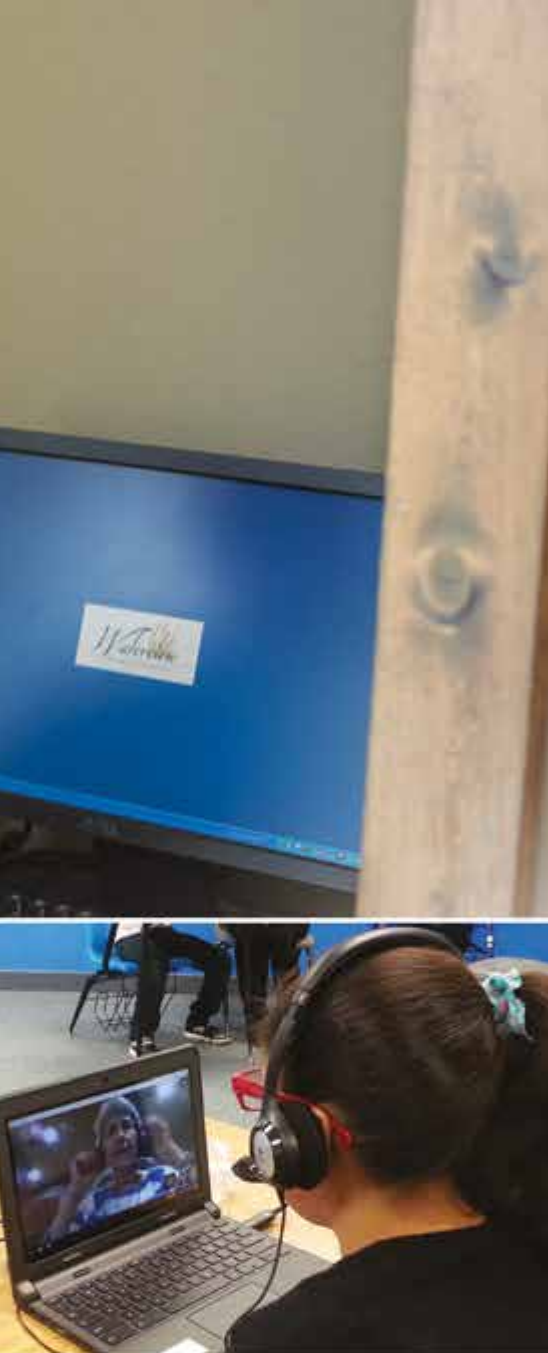
Then, volunteers were asked to help start such a program in the GISD. Gwen's hand shot up immediately. "I felt like I was in church," she said with a laugh.

Nine students from her classes this past school year participated in the inaugural program. Each Thursday at 9:30 a.m. and 2:10 p.m. at Brawner Intermediate School, the two groups interacted with nine volunteers from Waterview for 30-40 minutes, sharing stories of their week and what they looked forward to for the next week — all those things friends talk about. "One of our little girls buddied up with a chemical engineer from Colombia. They'd speak Spanish to each other," said Gwen, who has been teaching bilingual language/arts in the GISD since moving from Odessa five years ago.

The students and their Waterview buddies would regularly discuss books, movies and projects. They even had a joke day. "The independent living residents were so careful about scheduling things, such as doctor's visits. They didn't want to miss buddy time," Gwen explained.

According to Gwen, Waterview was chosen because one of the GISD technical staffers has a mother who lives there. Once the experiment got underway, both the students and the seniors became excited and looked forward to the weekly computer chats. "They're giddy," Waterview Lifestyle Coordinator Laura Bush said of her independent living residents. "Just to hear them talking about it, we can see that these





kids have left an impression. I knew this was going to make an impact. I just didn't realize it would happen so quickly."

The program also shows the Internet can be used for good. In a world filled with cyber bullying and negative uses, programs like this can produce many positives. "Part of our curriculum is training children in the proper use of the Internet," Gwen said, "and this program is having a positive impact."

The students and the seniors found each other during a visit by Waterview to the school. The pairing came about naturally. "We sat 18 chairs around, and they all just naturally found a partner, just like that," she said. "Our jaws were on the floor. It was so easy."



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The seniors also came to Brawner for a pizza party. They visited with not only their nine online buddies, but all 36 of the district's ESL fourth-graders. "One student grabbed the microphone and shared with the group what his buddy meant to him," Gwen recalled. "He knew she'd be there every Thursday." In fact, that resident left Waterview and moved near the school. She began walking over and visiting with the students in person.

Another special time Gwen recalled was when the students were invited to Waterview. They shared a special meal with their buddies. "They wore their Sunday best. They got little menus to keep as souvenirs," she said. "Some of the other independent living residents walked by and said hello. They knew them by name, having seen them on the computer."

Just because school let out in June, contact didn't end. Some of the students kept in touch with their resident buddies over the summer. One of the biggest positives for the students is the development of their communication skills. After all, English is not their first language. "The children didn't realize it, but they were enhancing their communication skills," Gwen said, adding that writing skills improved, as did reading skills — some by as much as two grade levels.

Laura said the buddy system is also enhancing for her independent living residents. Not only for enjoyment, but also for health purposes. "Statistically speaking, when senior citizens mingle with kids, it improves memory. It helps curb depression," Laura explained. "They're challenged to remember, to depart wisdom. It's really neat to see it develop before your eyes."

The program also prompted students to open up. "Some, especially given the recent political climate nationally, are



afraid at times to say too much,” Gwen said. “We heard one quiet, little kid singing ‘La Cucaracha,’” Gwen said. “And then he proceeded to read the book about the cockroach to his buddy.”

Another youngster had a resident buddy who celebrated her 92nd birthday in a special way. She parachuted out of a plane. “Her buddy (the child) was always telling people about that,” Gwen said. “She was as excited as the lady who did the jumping!”

The program encourages children to reach out instead of retreat. While she said the cause for fear by some and their families is validated, this program is about comfort and love. “Children don’t see skin color or race. They feel love,” she said. “The people they’re communicating with also don’t see color or race, and that makes such an impact on these children. The parents get comfort also, knowing something like this is out there for their children.”

“I also love the cultural connection,” Laura shared. “It’s so cool that we’re able to bring these kids together, show them there is love in the world, and it’s not all prejudice.”

The program also hits a personal note for Gwen. Her own mother was in a retirement home in San Angelo for years. “My own boys would write her, and it meant the world to her,” Gwen said. “This program allows so many students to feel as if they are visiting their own family and grandparents, especially those who don’t get to go back to Mexico for many reasons. These retired folks, they have the time to listen to the children. They listen intently. They make eye contact, and their smiles are genuine.”

Gwen credited the GISD technical staff with helping the project be a success. They always had the computers ready and were there to help in any capacity. “One of the staff members even dealt with breast cancer, but when she couldn’t participate, they just put another staffer in, and when she was ready to come back, she did,” Gwen said.

Gwen has moved with the same group of students to the fifth grade this school year, and the program continues. In fact, she believes it will grow as more students and more independent living residents now want to get involved. “One of the ladies at Waterview walked by one day, looked at the lady on the computer with her buddy and said, ‘I want one of those,’” Gwen said with a smile. “We’ve started something great here, and I definitely want to see it keep going.” **NOW**



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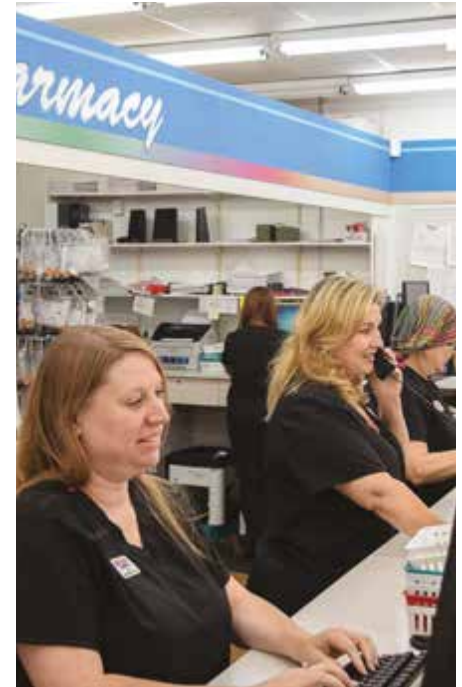


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*Ronnie Cox learned about pharmacists at a soda fountain — and became a legend. — By Lisa Bell*

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Ronnie Cox joined the Best Value Pharmacies four years ago after he and his wife moved from Sonora, Texas. "We came to Granbury because of Granbury — the people, climate, great neighbors — and our kids will come see us," Ronnie said. His sense of humor is infectious. Ronnie loves working for Best Value Ron's Pharmacy. "It's a wonderful organization," he said. After spending the first three years at different locations, he became permanent at the Granbury location last year.

As a seventh-grader, Ronnie frequently stopped by the local drug store to visit the soda fountain. He watched the pharmacist work and talked to him. Long before the days of pharmacy techs, Ronnie got to help in the pharmacy, and eventually went to work there, growing up in the environment and working there until 1987. When the pharmacist passed, Ronnie bought the pharmacy. Stacey Smith, business development, said, "He's a legend."

Ronnie simply loves his job. "It's still all I want to do," he said. As a pharmacist, he fulfills his desire to help people every day. He shared that many of the patrons have been around since the very first day. He credits service for continuing to bring them back. Their goal is to treat patients like they want to be treated. The staff in this store offers a personal touch,



treating each other and their customers like family. They genuinely care about people, which is what drew Ronnie to become a pharmacist. He considered medical school, but pursued a career as a pharmacist, so he could spend more time with his patients than most doctors do. He found over time, people initiated conversations with him that they didn't want to bring up with their doctors.

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The staff in this store offers a personal touch, treating each other and their customers like family.

When entering Best Value Ron's Pharmacy, you see many people in the store, waiting for prescriptions, to talk with a pharmacist, in the checkout line or milling around the store. Ronnie and Stacey both confirmed this happens every day.

As with all of the Best Value Pharmacies, the local store likes supporting and giving back to the community. "This is the most generous organization I've ever worked for," Ronnie shared. They always consider requests to support the schools and other local organizations at some level. "Just ask," Stacey said.

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The past few weeks have been emotional ones, as images after images of Hurricane Harvey's wrath have come across our TV and computer screens. But one thing has been evident, and beautiful, in the middle of the aftermath — the spirit of Texas, or should I say, the spirit of *Texans*. Neighbor helping neighbor. People from all over Texas and from all across the U.S. pitched in to help.

We at NOW Magazines had the privilege of seeing the generosity and compassion of people throughout all of our 10 market areas. From Corsicana all the way to Weatherford, from Duncanville down to Granbury, people just got to work. Without a second thought, they hitched their boats to their trucks and went to the rescue, assisting in any way they could. Medical professionals offered their services. Contractors offered their skills. Churches and civic organizations packed trailers full of needed supplies. School children had penny drives, collected canned goods, prayed, auctioned off their artwork and held blood drives. So much clothing was collected that a request was issued to refrain from giving more. Hotels opened their doors to refugees. Volunteers helped set up temporary shelters. Emergency response teams for various local communities mobilized to assist. People

loaded up grills and went to Houston over the Labor Day weekend to cook for first responders and those who had been displaced by the storm.

People from all walks of life and backgrounds, with different kinds of skills and abilities, looked for ways they could make a difference. It might seem like one person can't make that much of an impact. But we are all like the individual pieces of glass in a mosaic. When you step back, you can see the bigger picture. Each unique piece is needed and has a place where it fits. Not everyone had the training or strength of the first responders. But that's OK. They contributed with the skills they did have and gave what they could. And what a difference they made!

That generous spirit will continue to be needed. Federal agencies are gearing up, expecting the recovery effort to take years. Below are some different organizations you can contact to learn what still needs to be done and how you can help.

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— By Lisa Bell

At 10 years old, Li Cross asked for an Easy Bake Oven for Christmas. Her mother responded, “You wanna cook? Come ’ere!” That day, Li’s mother taught her about recipes. “I made my first cake from scratch,” Li said. With six years of home economics, she has cooked her entire adult life. Although she loves “all American foods,” she wants to be healthy. Li walks at least one mile every day and cooks with less sodium, including more fresh fruits and vegetables.

She creates recipes to “bridge the gap” between All-American and tofu. “My recipes keep flavor, while losing excess sodium, sugars and toxins. Cooking from a box is not cooking,” she said. Li teaches cooking at Pecan Plantation and has a cookbook titled *Your Healthy Pantry*. **NOW**

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- 1 tsp. cumin**
- 1 tsp. turmeric**
- 1 tsp. parsley (fresh or flakes)**
- 1 tsp. sugar**
- 1 carrot, sliced or diced**
- 1/2 bag egg noodles**

- 1.** Combine all ingredients, except noodles, in a soup pot; bring to a rolling boil.
- 2.** Simmer about 30 minutes to soften all vegetables.
- 3.** Add noodles and simmer another 15 minutes; serve hot.

### Spinach Salad

- 2 cups fresh baby spinach**
- 2 Tbsp. Feta cheese**
- 2 Tbsp. dried cranberries**

- 3 Tbsp. chopped cinnamon pecans or toffee**
- 3-4 Tbsp. balsamic vinaigrette dressing**

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- 1.** Place cranberries, sugar and vanilla in a large skillet.
- 2.** Turn heat to medium-high, and listen for cranberries to pop.
- 3.** Stir occasionally; add the amaretto.
- 4.** Cook until all berries have popped; stir until mostly smooth.
- 5.** Pour into a dish and refrigerate until serving.

### Oatmeal Walnut Date Cookies

- 1 stick butter, softened**
- 1/2 cup raw sugar**
- 1/2 cup brown sugar**
- 1 egg**
- 1 tsp. vanilla**
- 1/4 tsp. salt**
- 1/2 tsp. baking soda**
- 1 cup unbleached flour**
- 2 cups old-fashioned oats**
- 1/2 cup walnuts, chopped**
- 1/2 cup dates, chopped**

- 1.** Mix butter, sugars, egg and vanilla with a mixer.
- 2.** Add salt, soda and flour; mix with a spoon.
- 3.** Stir in oats, nuts and dates.
- 4.** Drop mixture on parchment paper-lined baking sheet, using about 2 Tbsp. of dough per cookie.
- 5.** Bake at 350 F for 10 to 15 minutes depending on your oven. Remove from oven when lightly brown and no longer glossy.

To view recipes from current and previous issues, visit [www.nowmagazines.com](http://www.nowmagazines.com).



### October 1 — 8

The Marvelous Wonderettes, Dream On: **Fri.**, 7:30 p.m.; **Sat.**, 2:00 and 7:30 p.m.; **Sun.**, 2 p.m., Granbury Opera House. The girls are back for their 20th reunion. For details and tickets, visit [www.granburytheatrecompany.org](http://www.granburytheatrecompany.org).

### October 5

Newcomers Club: 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., DCBE Country Club. Jan Conroy and Debbie Rubin discuss how the Fab Five published two cookbooks. Lunch \$14. Reservations required by **noon October 2**. (817) 243-9831.

### October 7

Michael Hix-History of Rock-n-Roll: 3:00 and 7:00 p.m., Granbury Live, 110 N. Crockett. Details and tickets available at [www.thenewgranburylive.com](http://www.thenewgranburylive.com).

### October 14

HOPE LIVE Walk: 8:00 a.m., Shanley Park. \$10 fee. Bring a photo of your loved one to display (will be returned). Sponsored by AUMC, Project 44, the Rev. Margret Fields and Cynthia Duquette.

Bow Wow Trick or Treat Festival: 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Hewlett Park. Fundraiser for HALO

and fun pet Halloween carnival for all ages. For more info, call Lynne at (817) 964-0333 or email [bowwowgranbury@yahoo.com](mailto:bowwowgranbury@yahoo.com).

### October 20

Murder Mystery Theater: 6:30 p.m., Granbury Live Celebration Hall. Catered by Christina's with beer and wine available for purchase. \$40 admission. Details and tickets available at [www.thenewgranburylive.com](http://www.thenewgranburylive.com).

### October 20, 21

2017 Granbury Quilt Show: **Friday** 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; **Saturday** 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Free event, with guild members handcrafted sale at the historic Langdon Concert Hall, 305 E. Bridge St.

### October 21, 22

39th Harvest Moon Festival of the Arts: **Saturday**, 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.; **Sunday**, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Historic Downtown Square. Over 80 artists and craftspeople, food, local entertainment and seasonal activities.

### October 28

Monarch Tagging Event: 9:00 a.m.-noon, Acton Nature Center, 6900 Smoky Hill Ct. All about Monarch butterflies. For details and

directions, visit [www.actonnaturecenter.org](http://www.actonnaturecenter.org) or email [tagamonarch@gmail.com](mailto:tagamonarch@gmail.com).

22nd Annual Texas Country Reporter Festival: 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m., downtown Waxahachie. Free admission. For more information, call the Waxahachie CVB at (469) 309-4040 or visit [www.waxahachiecvb.com](http://www.waxahachiecvb.com).

Texas Spotlight: 2:00 and 7:00 p.m., Granbury Live. Talent search sponsored by HANK FM-92.1. Details at [www.thenewgranburylive.com](http://www.thenewgranburylive.com).

Among Heroes Opening Night: 5:00 p.m., Langdon Center. Weatherford artist Marsha McDonald features her paintings of hero animals in service to humans. The show runs until the second week of December.

### November 2

Newcomers Club: 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Pecan Plantation Country Club. Lunch \$14. Reservations required by **noon October 30**. (817) 243-9831.

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