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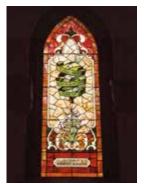
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### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

Spring has sprung!

My yard and pastures are golden with dandelions. I know that wouldn't thrill most serious gardeners, but I enjoy adding the dandelions' greens and flowers to my salads. I learned from my elders many years ago that this plant not only can be eaten, but is very nutritious. Many of our nearby state parks have spring and summer hikes offered to the public that allow us to take advantage of nature's natural bounty.

It's also spring-cleaning time, a chore that's been on my New Year's resolution lists for the past several years, which I've been able to totally ignore. Fortunately, my two oldest kids, Michelle and Brent, have made several trips home to help me get things cleaned out, donated and organized. My SUV can now actually reside in my two-car garage again during the spring and summer storms and hot, sunny days. I feel empowered and so fortunate to have had their help. It's taken a lot of muscle power, but we've had fun working through all the memories.

As a retired teacher and school administrator, I've had fun volunteering at my 6-yearold granddaughter's school this year. I visit her class at lunch time, but the rest of the volunteer day is spent with older students as a reading specialist and ESL-certified teacher. As schools everywhere take those end-of-school exams and start winding down, please take a moment to say encouraging words to our schools' staff and students.

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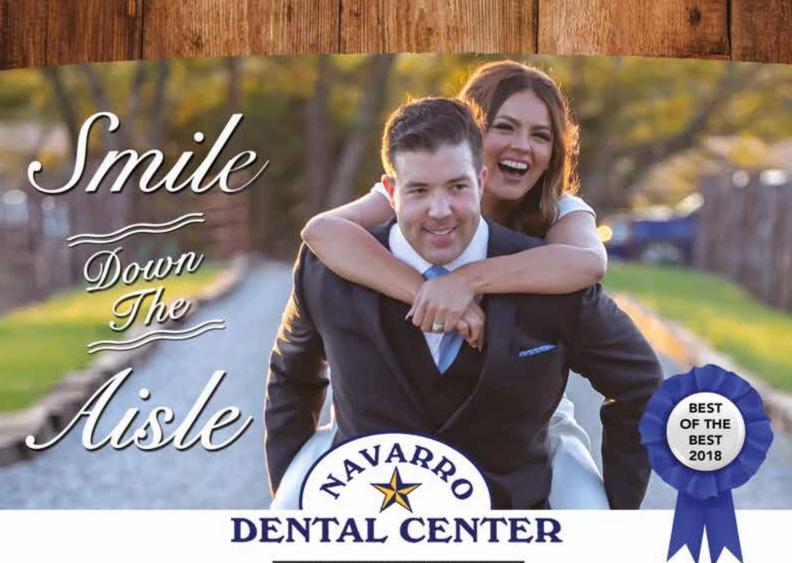
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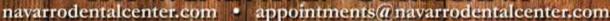


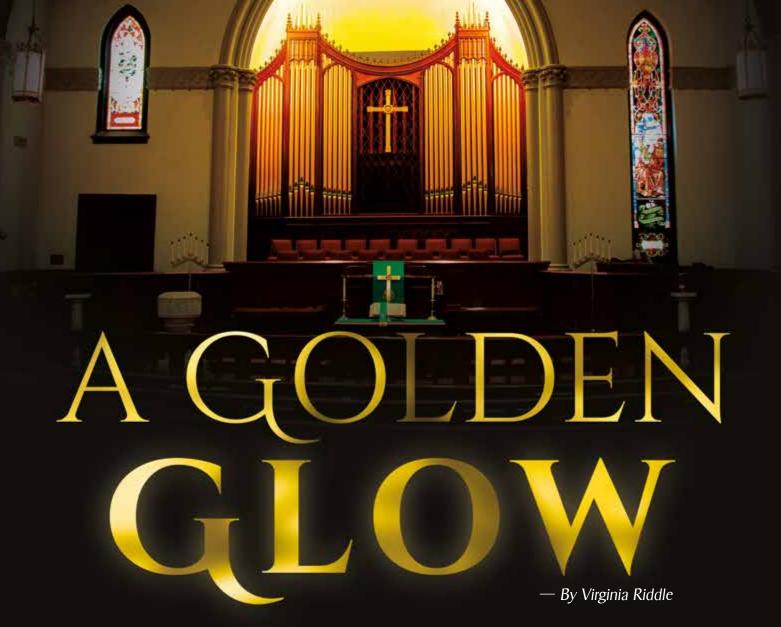
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There aren't too many folks who can attest to having Alexander Beaton, yes, the Beaton of Corsicana's Beaton Street, as an ancestor. Kay Sharp, his great-great-granddaughter, can! "Hampton McKinney, one of the first to come here, settled Corsicana even earlier than Alexander Beaton, who came a few years later. Both men are my ancestors," Kay said.

At 100 years young, Kay has seen many changes in her hometown and the world. "I did most of my growing up during the Great Depression. My family had a car, but we kids walked or rode bikes everywhere," she recalled. "One time, my fellow Camp Fire girls and I rode our bikes all the way to Richland! My grandfather drilled and supplied water from artesian wells for Corsicana's natatorium. The pool was round, and the water was so hot it had to cool for us to swim."

Kay remembered attending an elementary school, now demolished, that was on the lot behind Sam Houston Elementary, facing 5th Avenue. "Our school had a metal fire escape slide three stories high. We'd wax paper it and then hold on for dear life as we slid down," she said. Sam Houston was the junior high, and Kay graduated from Corsicana High School when it was located in the building that is now Drane Learning Center.

High tech hadn't arrived yet. "There was a big ice house downtown," Kay remembered. "There weren't any refrigerators, only iceboxes. We put a sign in our home's window telling the iceman whether we needed a 25, 50 or 75-pound ice block delivered. In the evenings, my whole family gathered around the radio to listen to *Amos 'n' Andy* and other popular shows. On Saturdays, we went to movie specials at the Ideal or Palace theatres.





After attending college for two years, Kay served as Corsicana's Camp Fire Girls executive director before meeting and marrying William (Bill) Sharp. "Bill was transferred to Corsicana from Sherman, Texas, by Line Gray Lumber Company, his employer," Kay explained. "He was rooming at a boarding house. We met at a prelude event to what's now Derrick Days while working in side-by-side exhibit booths." Bill and Kay found they shared mutual friends in Sherman, and the rest is history. "We married, and he left for military service," Kay said. Later, due to Bill's oil-related business, the couple lived in Venezuela and Houston, returning to Corsicana in 1985. Bill passed away in 2007. Their son, Dick, and daughter-in-law, Marge, live in the Dallas Metroplex. Kay has two grown grandchildren. "I enjoy traveling with my family," she remarked.

"I'm coasting now," Kay says in reference to her volunteer tasks and club activities. However, friends disagree. Honored by the Navarro County Senior Texan Volunteer program, Kay also stays active by playing bridge. "Bridge keeps my mind sharp," she explained. She was a founding member of a book club that was ongoing for 70 years!

Church members and visitors who attend the early service on sunny days experience the "glow of the gold"

from a restored east-facing window to the right of the organ pipes.







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Kay's passion, however, is her work for Corsicana First United Methodist Church, where both she and Dick were baptized. The plaque hanging on the church's sanctuary wall in Kay's honor reveals her true calling to service.

Tracy Watson, Kay's friend and covolunteer at church, explained, "Kay had the vision and set up a trust to fund the restoration of the church's stained-glass windows. She's the oldest member of our church, and I love Kay, so I agreed to help. We hired Stanton Studios, and I've loved taking trips to Waco with Kay to see the progress."

The plastic panels placed over the stained glass had yellowed, the glass was dirty, and the lead soldering had oxidized. Much of the wood in the 111 windows was deteriorated. Through donations and families "adopting" windows, much of the \$450,000 budgeted for the project has been raised. "This has taken a lot of work and dedication," Tracy said. To date, 18 windows are at Stanton Studios, and 37 more are waiting to be lifted from their positions to be restored.

Memories have flooded back for Kay with the removal of the windows, and there have been some surprises. "I remember when there was a sanctuary balcony. The 100-year-old windows' hinges date to when ventilation was needed, since there wasn't any air conditioning," Kay said. Not all the glass is "glass"— the figures' faces are painted, and molded "jewels" bedeck some windows. "We're not replacing any broken glass pieces," Kay said. "They're joined by lead and part of the history."

Tracy has her own memories of the restoration progress. "The first window restored was set back in place by a Palm Sunday service. It was the cross and

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crown, and it glowed magnificently." Church members and visitors who attend the early service on sunny days experience the "glow of the gold" from a restored east-facing window to the right of the organ pipes. "On the 15th Street side, we've installed LED lights to enhance the nighttime viewing of the windows," Tracy explained. "It's our gift to the community."

Friends and family members came together at Corsicana Country Club last July to surprise Kay with a 100th birthday party. As one attendee recalled, "Kay walked in dressed and acting like a person half her age." She was totally surprised.

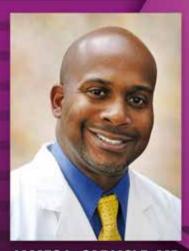


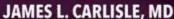
"It's hard to surprise ladies, who, like Kay, have such grace," Tracy remarked. The birthday girl received a bag inscribed with, It Took 100 Years to Look This Good!

Kay's forever looking forward. "I'm excited about Corsicana's downtown revitalization. I love that people are living in downtown loft apartments." When asked for her secret to keeping so young, Kay explained, "I've always been active — walking, biking, swimming, playing tennis — I'm just keeping on keeping on!" NOW











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Juliette gathered up 18 girls from her hometown of Savannah, Georgia. She sat them down and told them about all she'd learned on a trip abroad about a new, educational program for youth, and with this knowledge, the Girl Scout movement came to be. These first young girls blazed the trail that leaders and their scouts are still actively enjoying.

One such group is Troop #6818 from Corsicana. They are a young troop, but in the short time they've been together, their troop leader, LaToya McDavid,



has had them busy about the work of Girl Scouts. "I was a parent volunteer for two years before becoming a troop leader a little more than a year ago," LaToya explained. "I love having my own troop. I wanted to grow the group and do more for the girls. Keeping them busy doing all kinds of fun activities has been great, and they certainly keep me on my toes."

Some of the fun activities they've participated in include putting out flags on Veterans Day, ringing bells for the Salvation Army during the holiday season, helping stuff hundreds of stockings for the military, an outing to the State Fish Hatchery in Athens, a trip to a dairy farm in Kerens and the grand opening of the S.T.E.M. Center. "This summer, we are all looking forward to the time we are going to spend at Camp Bette Perot," LaToya said. "The girls are going to get to enjoy horseback riding, hiking, swimming and learning how to cook outdoors on a campfire."







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Troop #6818 currently has 32 members on the roster, with 25 who are active and come to almost all of the events and outings. Scouts range in age from kindergarten through the fifth grade, and they come from Corsicana ISD elementary campuses, with the exception of one scout, who attends school in Ennis. The girls are broken down into three age groups. Daisies wear a blue vest and are in grades kindergarten and first. Brownies wear a brown vest and are in grades second and third. Lastly, the Juniors wear green vests and represent the older girls in fourth and fifth grades. Thankfully, LaToya has been blessed with volunteers who are certified to help as co-leaders. "And believe me, I couldn't do this without my volunteers," she admitted.

Being a troop leader can be taxing at times, but it certainly has its rewards. "I love seeing them play and interact with one another," she explained. "Traveling outside the city limits of Corsicana gives them the opportunity to see more than what their hometown has to offer. One month, we had every weekend filled."

Earlier in the year, the troop participated in a bowling activity to kick off Girl Scout Cookie sales for 2019. Since it was a "glow party," the lights were dimmed down low, while the girls had a blast playing games and roller skating. Recently, they've also had a pizza party and gone to eat Happy Meals at McDonald's following one of the field trips.

The sale of cookies is very important to all troops, since this is their main way of financing troop activities. Selling

cookies first began in 1917, when the Mistletoe Troop in Muskogee, Oklahoma, baked the first batch of cookies and sold them in their high school lunchroom as a service project. That first sale of simple sugar and shortbread cookies has grown into a cookie empire with many flavors of cookies. The varieties currently available are Thin Mints, S'mores, Samoas, Tagalongs, Trefoils, Do-sidos, Lemonades, Savannah Smiles, Thanks-A-Lot, Toffee-tastic and Caramel Chocolate Chip.

LaToya and each girl in the troop have their favorite cookies. LaToya likes Thin Mints and Savannah Smiles. And each girl loves something different about scouting. Brownie Christie McNutt loves crafting and meeting new people. "I enjoy making my own stuff," she said of her artwork. "I like using my imagination." She is looking forward to learning how to tie-dye soon.

Fellow Brownie Jazz McDaniel loves selling cookies. "My favorites are Thin Mints and S'mores," she confessed, "but I also like the activities we have because I like going to new places." Jazz also remembers the fun she had earning her Friendship Around the World badge "Earning our badges is fun," she added.

When the girls gather together, no matter the reason, they have a "wild good time." In fact, LaToya is constantly hearing about her "wild and cra-cra" group when they attend Service Unit meetings. "They laugh and tell me to tame my girls," LaToya said with a smile. "They [the girls] just want to have fun."

Troop #6818 is also referred to as the Super Troop because of its size. "We have the largest number of members out of the six troops in Corsicana," LaToya stated. "It's very unique to have a troop this size. And, again, I'd never be able to do what I do without my volunteers. They make the events successful."

LaToya still has one lofty goal in mind — she wants a Cookie Bus. She would like to invest in a van that will be customized with the Girl Scout logo and the cookies the Scouts sell. "This van will allow all members the opportunity to participate, even if they don't have transportation," LaToya said. "But the best part of it all — people will see us coming!" NOW







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Many of the nursing staff have been with the company for six plus years. With more than 300 patients residing in Navarro, Ellis, Freestone, Henderson, Hill, Limestone and Kaufman counties, the company has more than doubled staffing since 2014, currently employing 10 full-time registered nurses, 13 PRNs, six licensed vocational nurses, four home health aides, eight physical therapists and two occupational therapists. Plans include opening a satellite office in nearby Mexia, Texas. "We have built a staff that can service any patient's need," Ryan stated.

Services include skilled nursing; social work; and occupational, physical and speech therapies. Dr. Shahroz Kidwai, a local doctor, serves as the medical director. Payment for services include Medicare, many health insurance plans and private pay. The company is regulated by Medicare and the State of Texas Health and Human Services office. It is a member of the Corsicana and Navarro County Chamber of Commerce and the Groesbeck Chamber of Commerce.

As with all businesses, challenges rise. "There is a lot of competition in this market," Ryan stated. "That competition pushes our staff to be the local entity that is known for taking care of our neighbors."

Other challenges include establishing working relationships with the new doctors coming to Corsicana and other served communities, as well as keeping up with continued changes in Medicare and private health insurance policies.

The company contributes many volunteer hours back to the communities it serves. "We set up blood pressure and diabetes clinics and fall prevention classes, deliver Meals-on-Wheels, donate to local food pantries. make visits and provide physician-taught classes to nursing and assisted living homes and make donations to the police and fire departments," Ryan said.

Kami Ward-Matthews, the home health coordinator, arranges these activities. "We keep a pulse on our communities and supply whatever is needed," Ryan added.

A Corsicana native, Ryan is a graduate of Corsicana High School and Navarro College, and his extensive extended family lives in Navarro County. He and his wife, Ashley, are parents to four children. "I first majored in art at the college, but it was always in my gut that I wanted to follow my dad, an RN, into health care," Ryan recalled.

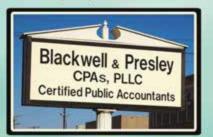
He continues to serve on Navarro College's advisory committee for the LVN program and the RN program. Ryan added. "I enjoy the relationships I have built with our employees and doctors, and the one-on-one relationships with patients are a blessing. I leave work every day feeling I've helped someone." NOW







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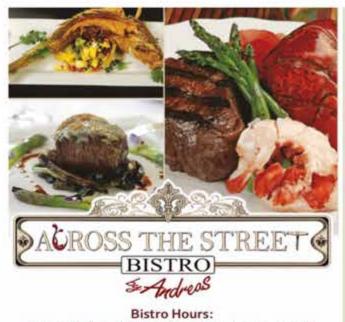




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### **Around Town**



### **Zoomed In:** Brian Humann

By Virginia Riddle

Whether Brian is seen raising the flags in front of the Corsicana YMCA where he's been the maintenance supervisor since 2003 or volunteering by helping set up bleachers for Derrick Days, he's a busy, well-known man around town. "I love my job because I get to meet and talk with people," Brian said. "Corsicana people are down to earth."

Brian, a Chicago, Illinois, native, moved to Texas in 1983. "I met my wife, Alison Terry-Humann, and moved here," he recalled. "We've been married 29 years." When not working or volunteering, Brian enjoys working in the yard and camping with family at Navarro Mills Reservoir and Fairfield State Park. "Family members have campers we stay in," he said. "I like nature and hiking."



Jennifer Peters and Kay Ovalle with Community National Bank host a Valentine's Relay for Life bake sale.



James Blair Chapter, DAR, members Barbara Watkins and Mary Ann McColpin greet State Regent Susan Tillman with the help of the CHS JROTC Honor Guard at the chapter's George Washington Tea.



It's glitter and glam at Navarro College's Dancing for Our Stars.



Everyone's happy at Maui Tan and Style's ribbon cutting ceremony.



Keilie Thompson is in costume at Timbers Coffee Shop during Small Business Revolution Cowboys and Coffee night.



Friendly competition thrives at the JLCCS's Battle of the Hallway basketball game.



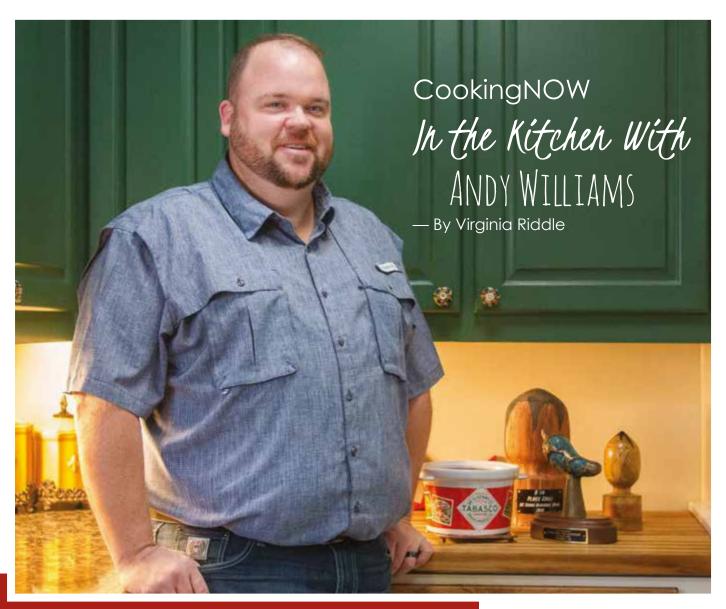
It's always fun at the Silver Screen Movie Club showings.



Charli's smile and lemonade help fill the Hope Center's bottles during it's fundraising campaign.







Cooking's a skill Andy Williams has been honing as long as he can remember. "I was helping prepare holiday meals when I was a 6-year-old. I grew up helping my mom and grandmother in Kerens and Corsicana," Andy recalled. Together, they prepared three meals a day, spending large quantities of time in the kitchen. "Lots of memories were made around our table," he said.

"I do the cooking in my house," he admitted. "My wife, Alison, travels for work, and I work from home." He still likes to prepare a "large spread" for holiday meals.

The recipes Andy submitted are mostly inherited from family and friends. "I'm a recipe thief. I look online and make those recipes my own. Sometimes, the recipe's a failure, but that's OK," he said. Now

### Grandmother Mildred Warren's Pistachio Fluff

- 1 3-oz. box Jell-O Instant Pistachio Pudding Mix
- 1 20-oz. can crushed pineapple, undrained
- I cup mini-marshmallows

### 1/2 cup pecans or walnuts, finely chopped1 8-oz. tub Cool Whip, thawed

- **1.** In a serving bowl, combine the pudding mix with the pineapple, marshmallows and nuts; mix well.
- **2.** Fold in the Cool Whip; chill until ready to serve.

#### Sarah Gilliland's Spinach Dip

1 8-oz. pkg. cream cheese, room temperature

16-oz. mozzarella cheese, shredded 16-oz. Parmesan cheese, shredded

- 1 8-oz. container sour cream
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 cups fresh spinach or 1 10-oz. pkg. frozen spinach
- **1.** In a large bowl, mix all the ingredients together; pour into a 9x l3-inch baking dish. Bake at 400 F for 25 minutes.
- 2. Broil for a few minutes until golden brown.

#### **Monkey Bread**

Bread:

1/2 cup sugar

3 Tbsp. cinnamon

6 10-ct. cans of biscuits Cooking spray 1/2 cup butter, melted

#### Icing:

2 cups powdered sugar

1 tsp. vanilla

1/4 cup butter, room temperature

1 8-oz. pkg. cream cheese

1 Tbsp. milk or cream

**1.** For bread: In a small bowl, mix the sugar and cinnamon; cut each biscuit into 4 pieces.

**2.** Roll each biscuit piece into a ball; roll each ball in the cinnamon-sugar mixture.

**3.** Place the balls in the bottom of a Bundt pan prepared with cooking spray; pour butter over the balls.

**4.** Bake at 350 F for 30 minutes; remove the bread from the oven.

**5.** Turn the bread over onto a plate.

**6.** For icing: Mix powdered sugar, vanilla, butter, cream cheese and milk until smooth; drizzle icing over the bread.

### Competition-style at Home Chili

This recipe competes well in charity chili cook-offs. Enjoy!

2 lbs. 80/20 ground chuck (H-E-B tube meat suggested.)

2 15-oz. cans beef broth

1 8-oz. can Hunt's tomato sauce

2 serrano peppers

#### Dump #1:

1 Tbsp. onion powder

1 Tbsp. garlic powder

1 Tbsp. Knorr's beef bouillon

1 Tbsp. Knorr's chicken bouillon

1/4 tsp. salt

1 Tbsp. McCormick Chili Powder

1 Tbsp. McCormick Chili Powder-Hot

1 Tbsp. Gebhardt's Chili Powder

#### Dump #2:

I heaping Tbsp. cumin

1/4 tsp. cayenne

1 tsp. Hungarian paprika

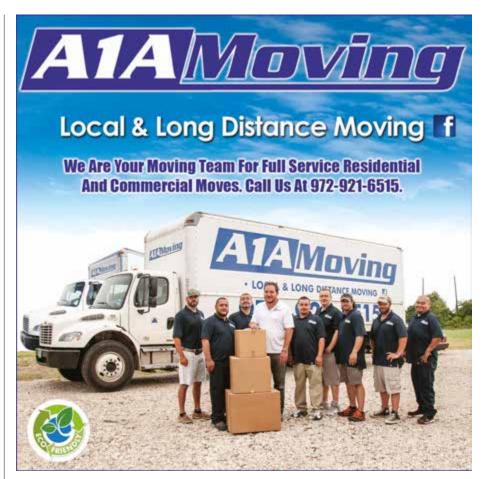
2 Tbsp. Gebhardt's Chili Powder

1 Tbsp. Adam's Chili Powder

### 1 7.75-oz. can El Pato Mexican Tomato Sauce, to taste (optional)

**I.** In a skillet, brown the meat while being careful not to break it up. Drain; set aside.

**2.** Bring to a boil  $1 \frac{1}{2}$  cans of beef broth and tomato sauce. Add the serrano peppers and Dump #1 ingredients; bring the mixture to a boil.







- **3.** Reduce heat; add the meat. Simmer for about 30-40 minutes.
- **4.** Squeeze the peppers' juice into the mixture; discard the peppers' pulp and skin.
- **5.** Add Dump #2 ingredients; continue to simmer the mixture for an additional 30-40 minutes. Break up meat with a potato masher after 20 minutes.
- **6.** Taste test; if more heat is desired, add up to 1/2 of a can of El Pato Mexican Tomato Sauce. Simmer for a few minutes; taste test again.

#### Homestyle Baked Spaghetti

2 lbs. ground beef 1 8-oz. pkg. cream cheese

- 1 1/2 cups sour cream
- 1 12-oz. pkg. egg noodles, cooked according to pkg. directions
- 2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. black pepper
- 3 6-oz. cans tomato paste
- 2 cups water
- 2 tsp. sugar
- 8-oz. Parmesan cheese, grated
- **1.** Brown the ground beef. Drain; set aside.
- **2.** Blend the cream cheese and sour cream; stir in cooked noodles.
- **3.** Place the cream cheese mixture in the bottom of a 3-qt. casserole baking dish; set aside
- **4.** Combine the cooked meat, salt, pepper, tomato paste, water and sugar in a saucepan; heat thoroughly.
- **5.** Pour the meat mixture over the noodle mixture; sprinkle with Parmesan cheese.
- **6.** Bake at 350 F for 45 minutes. If desired, broil for a couple of minutes to brown the cheese; top with additional Parmesan cheese, to taste.

#### Good Ol' Red Beans

1 lb. dry pinto beans

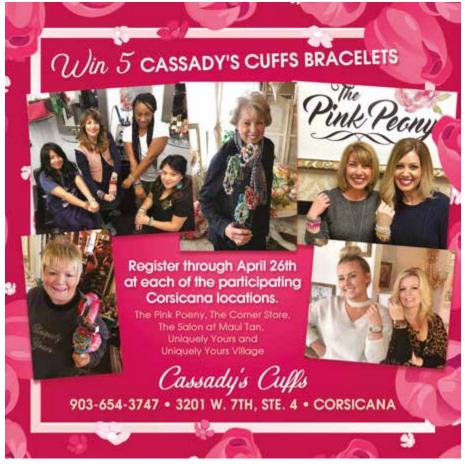
I small onion, cut into rings

1 Tbsp. garlic powder

I Tbsp. onion powder
Salt and pepper, to taste
I bottle Shiner Bock beer
6 cups water
Ham steak/ham hock/ham bone/bacon
(Pick one, or try all.)

- **1.** Add all ingredients into a big, 6-qt. or larger pot.
- **2.** Bring the mixture to a heavy boil for 30 minutes, stirring every 10 minutes.
- **3.** Reduce heat; simmer for 2-3 hours. Check tenderness of all ingredients after each hour.
- **4.** Taste test before serving; add more salt and pepper, if desired.
- **5.** Note: Beans should be tender, and gravy should be somewhat thickened when ready to serve.

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What began in 1881 as a T&P Railroad stop, Abilene, Texas, became so much more. Two to three hours from the Metroplex, Abilene is home to Dyess Air Force Base, three major universities/colleges, and one place where families can find adventure, history and art all rolled into one city.

Designated as a state cultural art district, throughout the year opportunities abound for visitors. A favorite time to visit is early June when the Children's Art & Literacy

Festival runs for three days. Special events and activities allow children of all ages to enjoy favorite literature and try their hands at art. From the Storybook Parade to children's artists, costume contests and much more, this weekend brings books to life.

But any time of the year, Abilene features multiple places children adore. In fact, on October 17, 2018,





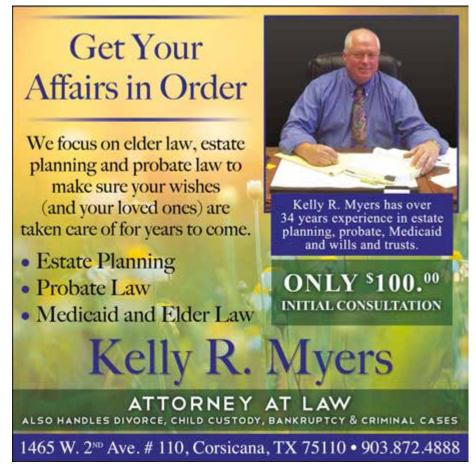
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Abilene received the distinguished title of Storybook Capital of America. With 24 sculptures around town and new ones added annually, kids get to pose beside favorite characters cast in bronze. With an audio storybook tour and adventure guide, families have fun in the downtown area finding Dr. Seuss favorites as well as figures from other books, including the infamous









No, David. In the Adamson-Spalding Storybook Garden, kittens, dinosaurs, Stuart Little, Marcel and Wilfred, Charlotte and Wilbur, plus others wait for visitors of all ages. These statues evoke memories of favorite nursery rhymes and beloved tales.

In addition to the sculptures, don't miss the National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature. The museum celebrates the artistic achievements of children's book authors. During exhibits, they also offer free art activities for kids and their parents.

The Grace Museum and Center for Contemporary Arts are wonderful places where families enjoy a variety of art. At the Grace, one floor also houses historic scenes depicting life over decades. And a children's area allows the entire family to enjoy this culturally rich environment. While the artist displays vary, the children's area remains static. With an oversized Operation game and a musical wall, everyone can have fun interacting together.

Live theater is also big in Abilene, some of it designed around the tastes of younger audiences. The perfect way to introduce children to ballet, live performances and old movie hits can be found in the city while adults can also appreciate events offered for them.

The historic Paramount Theatre is only one venue in Abilene. The fully restored 1930's theater still has a ceiling decorated with stars. During the early years, the stage and curtains allowed live performances and the giant screens welcomed in movies. For a time, the

theater changed to the hotspot for new movie releases. Today, they provide space for live theater, speakers and performances, as well as showing family films and classic movies. The building alone is an adventure that takes you back to a simpler time in history.

And Abilene has lots of history. The former T&P Train Depot now houses the Abilene Convention and Visitors Bureau. Part of the Texas fort trails, you can visit old Fort Phantom and Buffalo Gap Historic Village. For an extra treat, take in Frontier Texas where modern technology meets yesteryear and holographic figures help make history real. Learn about Texas in a unique way not soon forgotten.

On the wild side, the Abilene Zoo has 16 acres housing more than 1,000 animals, representing 250 species. Located at Nelson Park, there is also a splash area for warmer months and a park resembling a historic fort for fun beyond the zoo.



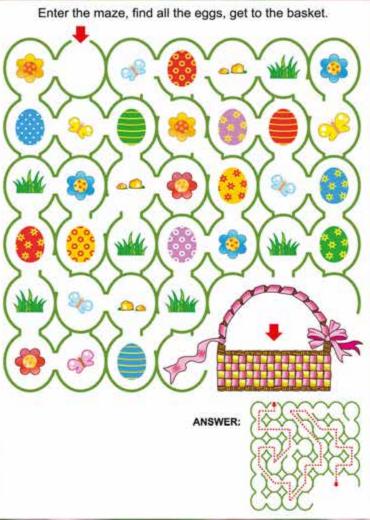
When in Abilene, local eateries and venues offer a great place to host events. The Mill and Soda District are two of many that welcome visitors. But the people of Abilene enjoy sharing the history and modern mix of art, culture and community. Some say the prettiest women live in Abilene. True or not, it's definitely a nearby destination you don't want to miss.

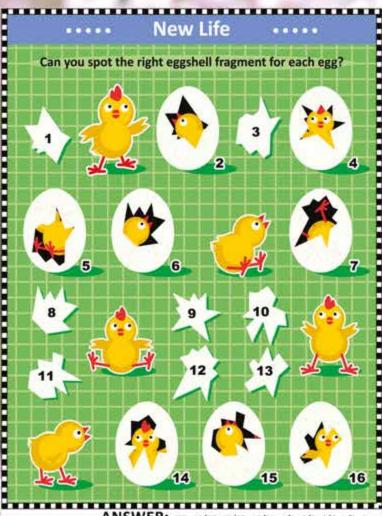
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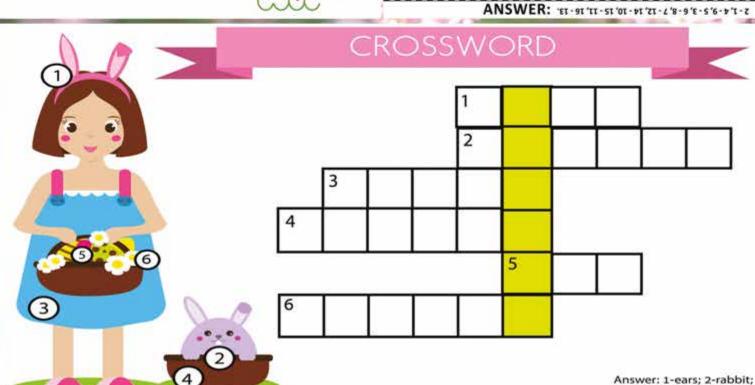
# Kids' Fun Pages





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6-flower



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# WINNER TESTIMONIALS



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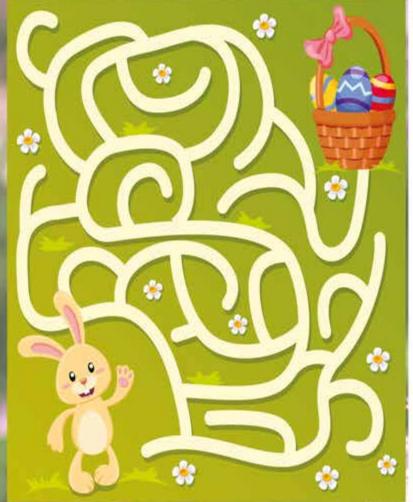
Deanna Hayes of I.O.O.F. presents the February Scavenger Hunt prize, a beautiful spring wreath, to Jennifer Cofer. "I'm looking forward to the next issue, so I can search for clues scattered throughout the pages," Jennifer said. "I love the spring wreath I won. Many thanks to LO.O.F. Event Center."



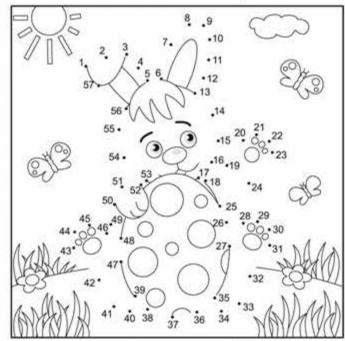


Liliana Palacios wears the Sherpa she won in the February Scavenger Hunt, which was donated by Kellie Cope, owner of Cactus Stitches. Liliana said, "Y'all, I want everyone to do the Scavenger Hunt, I had so much furi doing it. Thanks to Cactus Stitches. I love my Sherpal\*

# Kids' Fun Rages



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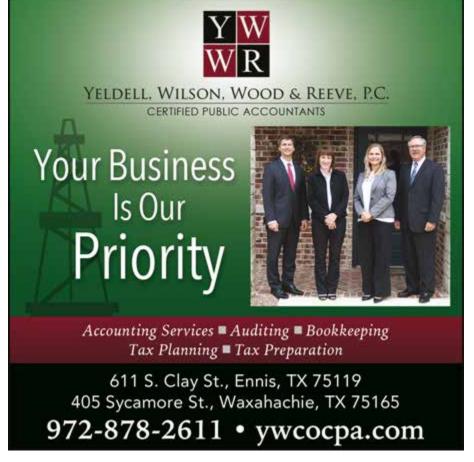
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- 12 Itty-bitty city
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- 28 Religious practice
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# Sudoku Puzzle

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#### 4/1

# Pot Luck Luncheon and Meeting:

Hosted by the Eureka, Mildred, Navarro and Richland Chambers Lake Crime Watch. The speaker will be Jean O'Connor with Angels of Corsicana Troop Support. 1:00 p.m., Eureka UMC. Email Patty Knauth at pk2@airmail.net.

#### 4/4-4/5

#### Navarro Regional Hospital Auxiliary's Collective Goods Fundraiser:

7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Navarro Regional Hospital classrooms. Contact Anna Paul at (903) 654-6800.

#### 4/4-4/13

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#### 4/6

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#### 4/11

# James L. Collins Catholic School Open House:

6:00-8:00 p.m. Contact Christina Cozart at (903) 872-1751.

#### 4/13

#### James L. Collins Catholic School Open All School Reunion:

Former students, faculty and staff are invited to return to campus, reconnect, share stories and add to the JLCCS legacy. 2:00-5:00 p.m.
Contact Christina Cozart at (903) 872-1751.

#### 4/25

#### Corsicana Newcomers' Club:

The speaker will be Eric Myers from Oil City Iron Works. Lunch is \$15. 11:00 a.m., Kinsloe House. For confirmed reservations, contact Annie Avery at (714) 345-6707.

#### Corsicana Art League Meeting:

Meet the current artists-in-residence, enjoy their works and refreshments.

5:30 p.m., 100 West. Visit the CAL's Facebook page.

#### Corsicana & Navarro County Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours:

5:32-7:02 p.m., First State Bank. Call (903) 874-4731.

#### **Johnny Bush:**

7:30 p.m., The Palace Theatre. Call (903) 874-7792.

#### 4/27

# Impact Communities "Take it to the Box":

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# Mondays and Wednesdays

#### **Storytime:**

Enjoy a great read by a special guest. 10:30 a.m., Corsicana Public Library. Visit the library's Facebook page.

#### First Mondays

## Piecemakers' Quilt Guild Meeting:

Guild members will work on community projects. A soup and salad lunch will be served. 9:30 a.m., Westhill Church of Christ Fellowship Hall. Visit www.pqgcorsicana.org.

#### Second Mondays

#### Eclectic Readers Book Club:

6:30 p.m., Corsicana Public Library. The book being discussed this month is *The Late Bloomers' Club* by Louise Miller. Call (903) 654-4810.

#### **Tuesdays**

# Corsicana Noon Lions Club Meeting:

Noon, Sirloin Stockade. Visit www.e-clubhouse.org/ sites/corsicana.

# Second and Fourth Tuesdays

#### Corsicana Rainbow Girls/ Pledge Group Meeting:

Girls from ages 7-20 are welcome to join. Leadership and public speaking skills are taught, and girls perform community service and earn scholarship opportunities — all while having fun! 6:30 p.m., Corsicana Masonic Lodge, 201 N. 15th Street. Contact Donna Dean at (903) 879-4305 or ddean45@hotmail.com.

#### Third Tuesdays

#### Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 1009 Meeting:

7:00 p.m., LaPradera Restaurant. Email Roy Messick at roy.messick@gmail.com.



#### 4/20-4/27

#### **Corsicana's Annual Derrick Days:**

From the Oil Town Mini-Thon to the Parade and full Saturday of events, there is something for everyone during this weeklong celebration of Corsicana. For a complete listing of all the many activities, times and forms, visit www.derrickdays.com.

#### Wednesdays

# Corsicana Rotary Club Meeting:

Noon, Corsicana Country Club. Visit www.corsicanarotary.com.

#### First Thursdays

## Silver Screen Movie Club Presentation:

This is a free social club for individuals 55 and older. SSMC members enjoy a movie, coffee and fellowship, all for a canned good or food donation to the local food pantry. 8:00-11:00 a.m., Schulman's Movie Bowl Grill. Visit www.facebook.com/SSMCCorsicana.

#### Second Thursdays

## Navarro County Christian Singles Worship Service:

Come for food and fellowship. All singles are welcome. 7:00-8:00 p.m., Corsicana Opry. Visit www.corsicanaopry.com.

#### Second Fridays

#### Navarro County Retired Teachers Association Meeting:

All retired school personnel are invited. The program will be about Stillwell Retirement Residents Home. 9:45 a.m., Northwest Apartments Community Center,

1360 Northwest Avenue. Email pk2@airmail.net.

#### Second Saturdays

# Angels of Corsicana Troop Support Packing Day:

9:00 a.m., 1020 N. Business I-45. All ages are welcome. To volunteer, donate or submit a name of a deployed military person, contact Jean O'Connor at (903) 851-2560 or visit the group's Facebook page.

#### Mimosas at the Market:

Sponsored by Corsicana Main Street Program. 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Downtown Corsicana. Call (903) 654-4850.

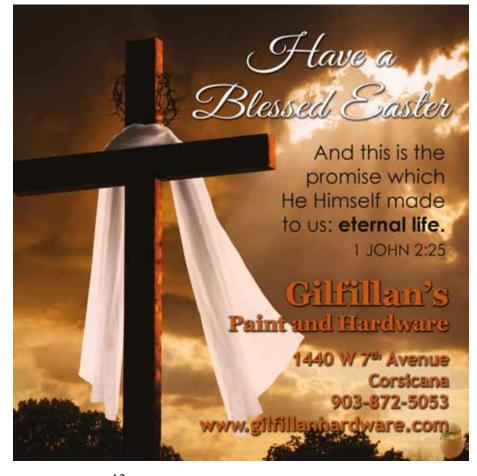
#### Third Saturdays

#### **Navarro Fiber Friends:**

Learn a new skill and bring a pot luck dish and a fiber or sewing project for show and tell. All ages and crafters, especially needle and fiber arts enthusiasts, are welcome. 10:00 a.m., Corsicana Senior Citizens Center. Join the group's Facebook page.

Submissions are welcome and published as space allows. Send your event details to virginia.riddle@nowmagazines.com.









# Crossword Sudoku Solutions

		T <sup>8</sup>	s	60	°C		s	P	L	A
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#### Easy

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#### Medium

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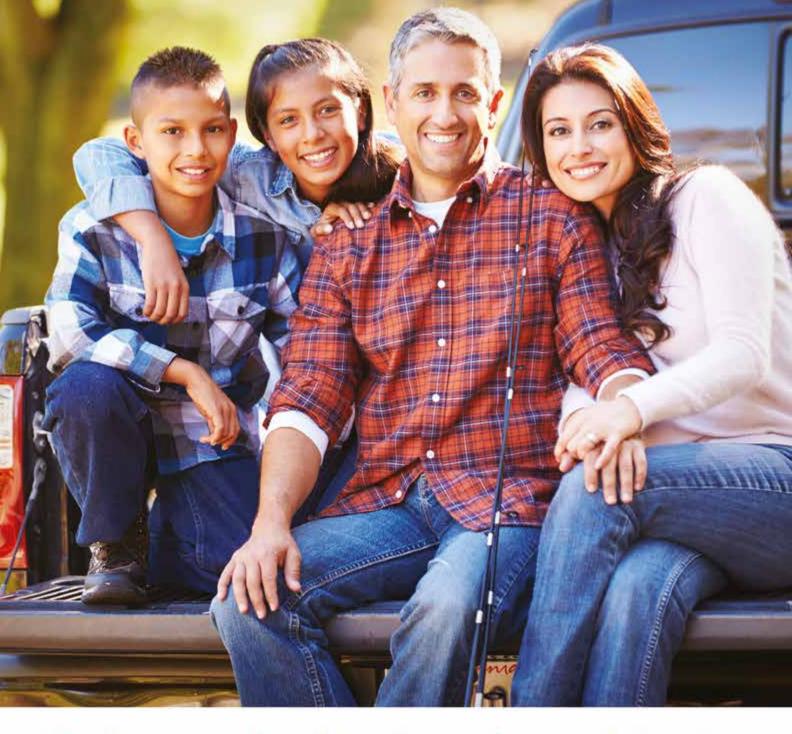
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