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Community Response Restores District's PPE Lost to Fire

A devastating structural fire destroyed the main DeSoto ISD warehouse storing supplies and equipment. Among the inventory lost was the district allotment of Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) recently shipped by the Texas Education Agency. News of the fire spread throughout the community, and the community responded! Donations have flooded the district replacing ALL of the destroyed PPE and then some!

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In addition to corporate interests, individuals made monetary contributions and donations. Notably, a high school counselor at Plano ISD started a drive to help replenish supplies.

The outpouring of support from so many areas has been extremely helpful and humbling. It's heartwarming to know there are so many good people in the community that put their care into action and helped us reach our goals.



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DeSoto ISD Publishes COVID-19 Dashboard

As DeSoto ISD prepares to scaffold the opening of campus-supervised learning, in conjunction with the reconvening of athletics and other such extracurricular activities, the district has established a COVID-19 dashboard.

Housed and available on the district website, the dashboard is designed to provide daily updates and developments regarding possible and confirmed cases of coronavirus at district campuses and facilites.

In addition to the district COVID-19 Dashboard, the district has established reporting and communication protocols regarding cases of COVID-19 as well safety precautions and procedures to safeguard campuses.

Upcoming Calendar

- October 12: District Holiday
- October 13: Board Workshop
- October 26: Regular Board Meeting
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Jodie Foster played a woman raised in an isolated cabin, by her mother who had had a stroke in the 1994 movie, *Nell*. With no normal language input, and very little input of any kind, Nell had developed her own way of talking about her world. One phrase she uses repeatedly to describe her feelings of freedom or joy, is "Like a tree in the wind!" October makes me feel like that. I love watching the colorful leaves bank and swirl on the breezes. Some days, those breezes are gentle wafts of air, and some, they are powerful gales. But the leaves are always there to turn them into animated watercolor swirls.

Some days, I feel like those leaves being wafted along. Others, I feel like I'm being driven along by the storm, faster than I can keep up. And then there are the days when I feel more like the winds, driving everything before me — or the tree standing strong in the midst of the gale.

Life is like that. Every day is different, and we are different in each day. It really takes flexibility and creativity and strength and patience to make it through. But it can all be beautiful, like the swirl of leaves in a painting, if we just let it.

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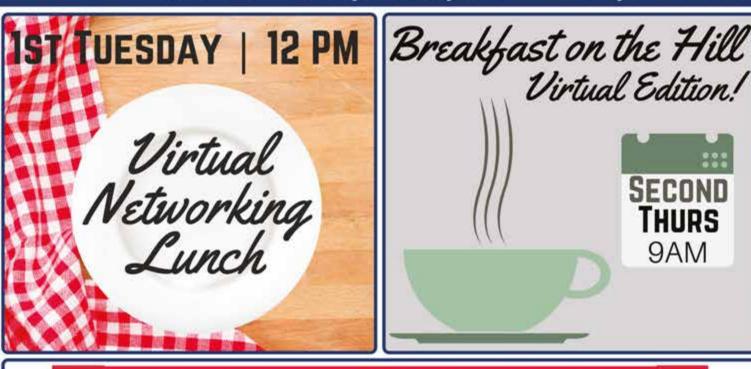
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Based on this group of young girls, the future of technology looks pretty good. They are members of Girl Scout Troop 550I, and among their talents is robotics. The group of girls has participated in Girl Scouts-sponsored STEM competitions in Dallas. The first year, they finished 18th, and this past competition, held in February, they climbed to 11th.

"I went to camp, and we learned about robotics. It was really fun, so we decided to put our own team together," 12-year-old Ellie Lasco said. "We barely had enough time to get ready, but it was fun." Ellie attended a Girl Scouts STEM camp in the summer of 2018. In October, the girls began preparing for competition in January 2019. Later that year, they began preparing in August for the February 2020 competition. "This year, we started in May," Ellie said, as her mother, Kate Lasco, noted the new game used in the annual competition usually comes out in late April or early May.

Scout Troop 550

For the February competition, the girls used a robot named Phoenix, hence their name — Robot Cheetah Team Phoenix. The robot is made out of building blocks that resemble LEGOs, but much more expensive, as the finished product is valued at about \$400. It goes backward, forward and sideto-side. It also has arms that go up and down like a forklift — an integral part of the competition — which required the moving of blocks.

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The robot used in their first year of competition was named Miss Sassy. Ellie said that came from the challenges of competing for the first time. "Most of the team wanted a girl name this past season, but I wanted a boy name because we had a girl name last year," 13-year-old Elizabeth Koerner said. The competition paired two teams working together to score points. They would switch to new partners after each round, and after eight rounds, the 10 individual teams with the most points moved on.

"I like how the competition works. They're working together, so it was cooperative," Kate said. "You're competing, but building each other up."

The competition required attention to detail, both in the preparation and execution. "We had to make little changes, and it was hard," 9-year-old Violet Koerner said. "We had to keep changing little details to get it right."

Her father, Kurt Koerner, said the competition also taught some life lessons. "Following the rules, following guidelines, those are crucial to everything in life."

To which Kate added, "You may not like the rules, but you have to follow them."

Each girl competing had their favorite part of the project. For 12-year-old Atiya Bartley, it was simply being around likeminded young girls. "I get to see other people's robots and have fun at competitions," she said. "I also like driving the robot because it looks cool seeing my robot do what I programmed it to do."

The competition ranged from the girls building the robot themselves and spending weeks in preparation to the day of the event. A new robot has to be built each year because the game used in the competition changes. "If we used the same one, it wouldn't work. We have different challenges every year," Ellie explained.

For their participation, the girls received three Girl Scout badges. They were awarded for designing, programming and showcasing robots. "The cool part is last year, the girls had the basic starter robot. This year, they built their robot and made changes," Kate said. "For example, in January they put in omni wheels to allow for side-toside movement."



Tynisha Jeffery, Atiya's mother, also liked the teamwork required in the competition. "They were exchanging ideas and asking things like, 'How are we going to build our robot? How are we going to program it?' They had to do strategy and communicate with each other like, 'What is your robot good at? You focus on one skill, and we'll do another,'" she said.

"It's incredible what we all learned, and not just the girls, but us adults, too," Kate said. "This year, we want to be the team everybody wants to be paired with."





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- By Angel Morris

From the Lone Star flag to bluebonnets in the spring, many symbols are synonymous with Texas. As the second largest state, it is not uncommon to find that things are bigger in Texas, too. Perhaps that's what makes the Longhorn steer so suitable as the state's official "large mammal," a title it was given in 1995.

Recognized for their remarkable horns, which can measure anywhere from 50 to 80 inches tip to tip, Texas Longhorns are a unique breed of cattle. Their roots can be traced to around 1493, when Christopher Columbus brought Spanish cattle to the New World. For the next 200 years, the drought-tolerant steer were used in Mexico and were part of the gradual migration northward toward the area that would become Texas in the 17th century.

At this point, it is said that the steer were turned loose on the open range, where they would fend for themselves for two centuries developing hardy characteristics and managing to multiply in number despite little help from mankind. The Texas State Historical Association suggests Texas Longhorns were a result of the mixing of Spanish and English stock "that Anglo-American frontiersmen brought to Texas from Southern and Midwestern states in the 1820s and 1830s.





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"Spanish and Anglo cattle mixed on a small scale in the 1830s and after, but by the Civil War, the half-wild Texas Longhorns emerged as a recognizable type," TSHA reports. "Over the next 20 years, contractors drove 5 to 10 million cattle out of Texas, commerce that helped revive the state's economy. Longhorns, with their long legs and hard hoofs, were ideal trail cattle; they even gained weight on the way to market."

As frontiers became more densely populated, however, modern ranchers found breeds with an ability to gain weight quickly more desirable than Longhorns and their lean beef. By the 1920s, only a few small Longhorn herds remained.

Decline of Longhorn population led to near extinction, but the breed began to come back in vogue when adopted as the mascot of The University of Texas in 1917. The year prior, a nervous 1,200-pound steer had been introduced on the football field when Texas defeated Texas A&M on Thanksgiving Day 1916. The Longhorn would come to be named Bevo — with a variety of lore attached to his name — and remains one of the most recognizable university mascots to this day.

In 1927, the federal government and the United States Forest Service focused their attention on rebreeding the Longhorn from a small herd. In the early 1930s, more breeders helped Texas form its own herd, keeping the cattle in state parks. Again, the steers' natural ability to survive led to its revival as beef stock.





The Texas Longhorn Breeders Association of America was formed in 1964 by Charles Schreiner III, who had created a herd on his own ranch in the late 1950s in honor of his grandfather's ranching legacy. Charles helped stage cattle drives - complete with cowboys battling "attacks" on the herd — as publicity efforts to bring attention back to the beloved steer.

More than a quarter-million Texas Longhorns were listed within the TLBAA registry by the end of the 1900s. Today, all 50 states. Canada. Mexico and other countries are home to Longhorn breeders, with the steer used for beef stock, as well as kept by local ranchers purely for their ties to Texas history.

Longhorns have also gained popularity in recreational use, in sports such as team cutting, penning and roping. The animals' size, demeanor and trademark horns lend them to use in these activities, plus they maintain resale value beyond their time in recreational sports, making their value two-fold.

Owners of Texas Longhorns who could trace a steer's elite bloodline have reportedly earned \$40,000 or more at 21 st century cattle auctions. In fact, the record for Longhorn sales peaked at \$380,000 for a cow and heifer calf during a 2017 auction at the Fort Worth Stockyards — a fitting marker for a city whose nickname is "Cow Town."

With TLBAA's maintenance of a registry for perpetuating the Longhorn breed in a pure state, coupled with the increase in number of cross-bred steer, Texas' official large mammal seems well protected. NOW

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Access Self Storage and Truck Rental

- By Adam Walker

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Access Self Storage and Truck Rental is a family-owned group of eight self-storage facilities around the Dallas and Ellis county areas. "My father started this business in 1974, when he opened the first location in Garland," Doug Hunt reported.



"Now my brother and I have the original location, plus DeSoto, Lancaster, Red Oak, Midlothian, Oak Cliff, Pleasant Grove and East Dallas.

"We are a small family-owned business, and we have different connections to each of the communities where we have our facilities. We believe in investing in the communities where we are located." Doug and his brother work with the local chambers of commerce and with the ISDs in DeSoto and each of the other communities where they have locations.

Access Self Storage and Truck Rental offers a wide range of storage options. Their smallest unit, a 5x5-foot space, is about the size of a small closet, while their largest unit, a 12x30-foot space, will hold a car, a landscaper's trailer or even a boat. "Some of our units are accessible from the bumper of a truck. But we also have climate-controlled units that are perfect for your really nice furniture and other things you don't want exposed to the Texas heat or cold," Doug said.

They have moving supplies like paper for wrapping your breakables and several sizes of boxes to pack everything just right. "All of our locations have U-Haul trucks for rental, and a couple of our locations offer RV storage spaces."

"We believe in investing in the communities where we are located."

In addition to all these services that you might expect, Access Self Storage and Truck Rental also offers a conference room for holding meetings at their DeSoto location, or any other of their locations that might be more convenient. In this time, when working from home is becoming the norm, organizing an in-person meeting can be difficult, so this service might fill an urgent need. "Our conference room seats 15 people. It is available to the community at large, but if you are already a storage customer, it's available at no charge," Doug offered.

Their emphasis on customer service is clear. "Our managers live on-site to look after the units. If a customer has issues, they are there to help the customer resolve the problem," he explained. "Customer service can mean staying late, or opening early, or assisting in trying to find the right size unit for your storage needs. We try to help."

Service to the community sometimes means going way beyond service with a smile. During the aftermath of the Lancaster tornado of 2012 and also the Red Oak Christmas tornadoes, Access Self Storage locations in those communities offered temporary free storage to victims whose homes were destroyed or seriously damaged.

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Zoomed In: Mike Lesley

By Adam Walker

What did you do during the pandemic? Well, Duncanville's Mike Lesley decided to have a bit of fun. "I'm a tree trimmer, not an artist. But I've been exposed to a lot of art through my friends, who are artists. And the stone borders and landscaping that I do are a kind of art," Mike explained.

"I was cutting down some dead agave stalks, back in March, when I got the idea. I brought them home and stood one up in a hole. I had a lot of used blades and chains laying around, so I used those. The head is an old fish aquarium from a friend. I called it *Pandemic Man*. Doing the first one was fun, so I added a second one a couple of weeks ago!"

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Arkansas native Anne Perry's Bahá'í Faith encourages her to explore the world. She loves international dishes, but also draws on her family's Southern heritage, especially her grandmother's cookbook. "I teach Writing and Humanities at the Art Institute of Dallas, and among my students are culinary students. Before the pandemic, I enjoyed going to the culinary gallery for my students' food."

On her journey as a cook, she had a mishap or two. "I was making a navy bean soup for 75 people at a retreat center. I reached for what I thought was a quart of tamari soy sauce and poured the whole bottle in, only to discover it was vanilla extract! I tossed in a bunch of spices and had to serve the soup anyway! Yuck!" NOW

Baked Chicken With Herbs

These proportions are approximate. Feel free to season to taste and experiment with the recipe!

- 2-4 Tbsp. olive oil (divided use)
- 2 chicken breasts (may substitute chicken thighs, if desired)
- I-2 Tbsp. soy sauce (I prefer low sodium.) 1-2 Tbsp. garlic (Usually, I use the
- minced garlic you buy, and use some of the juice.)
- Lemon juice (optional)

1/4 to 1/2 tsp. salt

1/4 to 1/2 tsp. black pepper Dried or fresh herbs: Thyme, rosemary, parsley, etc., to taste Rice or potatoes, to taste Other vegetables of your choice, to taste

- I. Put a little olive oil in a pan you can cover. Use enough to coat the bottom. 2. Place the chicken breasts in the pan; dribble the chicken breasts with the remaining olive oil. Dribble the soy sauce, garlic and lemon juice over them, as well. **3.** Add the salt, pepper and herbs.
- **4.** Cover with a lid to retain the moisture:

cook in the oven for around 45 minutes at 370 F. The chicken should be tender and easily cut. (Cook longer if necessary.) 5. Prepare the rice or potatoes; add them, along with other vegetables, midway through the cooking time.

6. Note: Any remaining juice, and even the chicken, can be reserved to cook potatoes or rice for another meal.

Festive Scrambled Eggs

I potato (I like to use the butter golds, but any kind will work.) 1/4 tsp. olive oil Bacon or sausage, chopped into small pieces (optional) 1/2 onion. chopped Mushrooms (optional) I tsp. garlic, powered, minced or fresh 1/2 tsp. black pepper 1/2 tsp. salt I ripe tomato, cut into small pieces and/ or several sun-dried tomatoes

3 eggs, beaten (for 2 people, more if your family is larger) Handful fresh spinach

2-3 Tbsp. your choice of cheese, grated, crumbled or cut up (I like feta, cheddar or Swiss.)

 Cook the potato in the microwave; cut it into small pieces when it's done.
 Place the oil in a skillet; heat over

medium-high heat.

3. Add the bacon or sausage, if desired. Add the onions and the mushroom slices, if using; stir.

4. Add the potato pieces, spices and tomatoes.5. Add the beaten eggs, spinach and cheeses; stir.

6. Continue stirring; you may want to lower the heat.

7. The spinach should be bright green, not dull, to achieve the most festive look; serve.

Sweet Potatoes With Orange Juice

From my grandmother's recipes in Feasts of Eden.

6 large sweet potatoes 4 Tbsp. butter 1/2 cup orange juice 1/4 cup brown sugar or honey 1/4 tsp. nutmeg, plus extra for sprinkling on top Salt, to taste Pepper, to taste 1/2 cup pecans, chopped (optional) Orange slices (optional) Marshmallows (optional)

I. Boil the sweet potatoes in water until they are tender (or microwave them).

2. Cool and peel the sweet potatoes; puree them in a food processor or mixer. Add the butter; blend.

3. Add the orange juice, brown sugar or honey, nutmeg, salt and pepper; blend.
4. Place the mixture in a baking dish; sprinkle a bit more nutmeg on top. Add pecans, if desired. You can also place a couple of orange slices on the top. Marshmallows are also an option.
5. Bake for 30 minutes or so, until the dish is hot.

English Toffee Cookies

Warning: These cookies can be addictive!

1/2 cup butter

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- 1/2 tsp. salt



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I egg white, beaten 2 cups pecans, chopped

I. Blend butter, margarine and sugar in a food processor or with an electric mixer until creamy.

- 2. Add egg yolk and vanilla; blend.
- **3.** Add flour and salt; blend.

4. Let the dough stand in the refrigerator for at least 30 minutes. With the palm of your hand, spread the dough very thin on a cookie sheet, covering it completely.
5. Lightly brush the dough with the beaten

egg white. Sprinkle liberally with chopped pecans; press the pecans into the cookie dough with your hand. **6.** Bake at 375 F for 12-15 minutes, or until light brown. Let cool for at least 5 minutes; cut into small rectangles.

Cheese Grits

- 2 cups milk 4 cups grits, cooked
- 2 Tbsp. butter
- 4 eggs, beaten

2 tsp. salt

- 1/2 tsp. paprika
- I tsp. garlic (powered, minced or fresh)
- I cup cheddar cheese, grated (Or any cheese of your choice! I like to add Parmesan, mozzarella or Swiss, as well.)
- Stir the milk into the cooked grits.
 Add the butter, eggs, salt, paprika and garlic.
- **3.** Add the grated cheese or cheeses; mix well.
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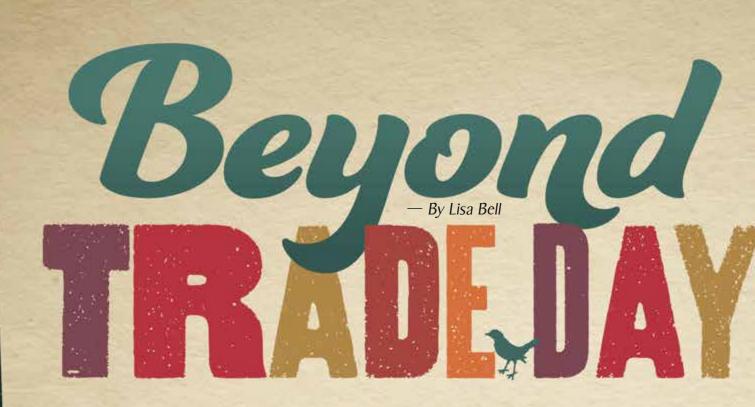
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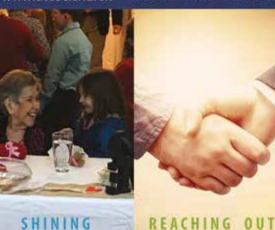
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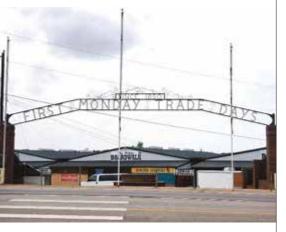




When visiting Canton, don't miss the Van Zandt County Memorial Plaza, an extraordinary veterans' memorial site worth visiting. Despite the location at a major intersection, the plaza provides a quiet place for reflection and appeals to all ages. What child, of any age, doesn't want to walk beneath a suspended plane and helicopter? A U.S. Army tank and U.S. Coast Guard boat add to the flanks surrounding a statue posted mid-plaza, honoring veterans from all military branches. A covered gazebo and benches give visitors time to consider history and men and women who served and remain in active duty. Nearby, the Van Zandt County Gift Shop and Museum recently reopened, featuring fresh exhibits and recorded interviews with local heroes. The website, www.vzcm.org, also contains stories and historical information.

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Head downtown for food and shopping. Stop in the old theater, which houses the Canton Chamber of Commerce and the Canton Museum. Marvel at the hundreds of bells lining one wall, the Kennedy Native American collection or the old fire truck. While there, gather information on all the exciting places to visit.



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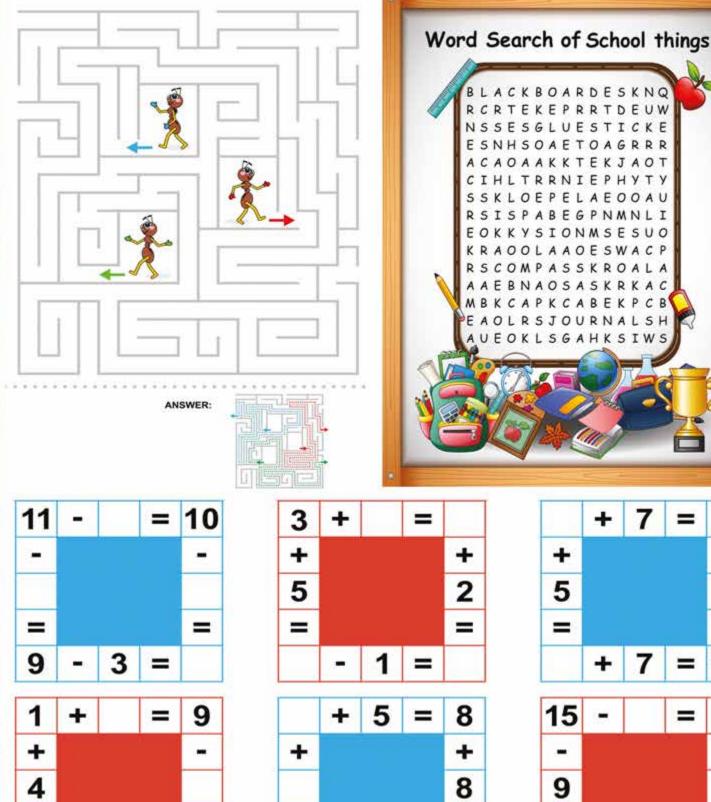
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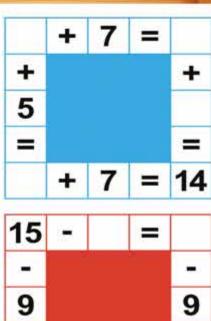


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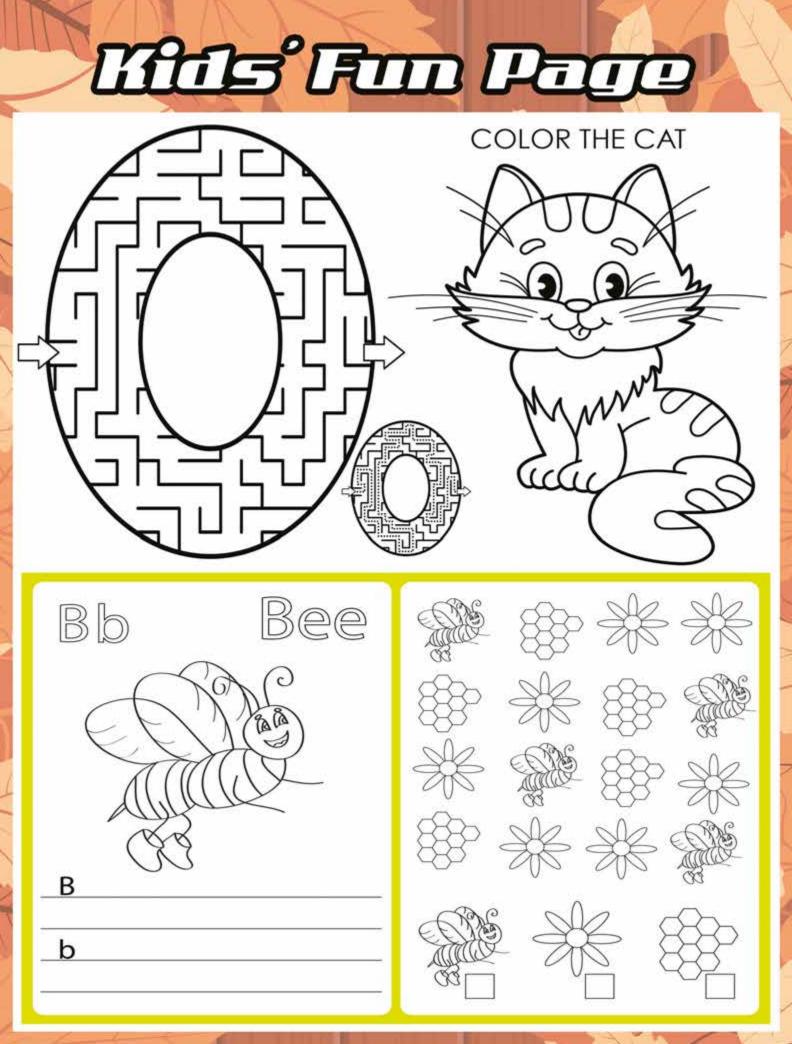
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- 10 --- Lama
- 11 Switch off
- 12 Nonphysical
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- 15 Menu at the edge
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- 18 Trick
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- 22 Outmoded
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- 24 --- Rio, Texas
- 25 Take a --- it (Go for it!)
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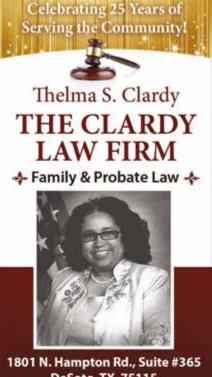
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- 9 Make happy
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- 17 See
- 19 Downs' partner
- 20 Mike ---, "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" director
- 21 Inessentials
- 22 What shamuses do
- 24 Flatfish
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- 27 Elevating outfit?
- 28 Experienced
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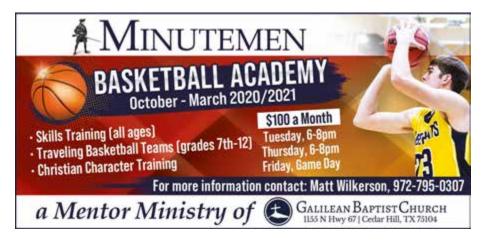
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