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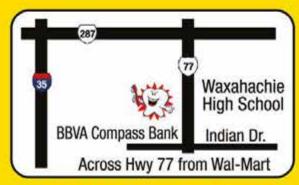
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EDITOR'S NOTE

"I cannot endure to waste ... autumnal sunshine ...

I mostly stay inside as much as possible during the summer and winter. But the fall just calls out for long walks and outdoor projects. I wish I had more time for both. Mornings and evenings with the dogs, walks to and from the gym and other random bits of time have to suffice.

It's a perfect time to enjoy a pumpkin patch or a hayride or other fun things to be found only at fall festivals. A hot mug of apple cider sounds nice. Fall foods are a fun change after the long summer. It's finally comfortable to bake, and hot casseroles straight from the oven sound good again. Sage and other fall-ish herbs, and all the warm spices like cinnamon, cloves, cardamom and nutmeg make such wonderful smells. And nothing beats the smell of baking bread.

The colors of autumn leaves make me want to break out my oil paints. It's been a long time since I actually set brush to canvas. It's one of many things I miss doing and regret not making time for. Maybe this year I'll actually do something about it. Wandering through the trees to photograph likely subjects for paintings, or stalking the perfect sunset would be nice.

And then there's Thanksgiving. That's mostly indoors, but it's a time to stop and give thanks for the blessing of food that comes from outdoors. At its heart, Thanksgiving is a harvest festival to thank God for the crops that sustain our lives. No matter how indoors our lives become, we still depend on the outdoors.

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HOPE FOR THE HOMELESS

— By Adam Walker





Friends Deborah Bowen and Debbie Winters were finding ways to help their communities before they ever met. Deborah's father was involved with Dallas Life shelter when she was a girl, and her involvement with helping the homeless was lifelong. Debbie had run a purse ministry providing necessities to women in prison. "I used to take the purses to the women's shelter in Mexia, but it got harder and harder to find places to take the purses. When I met Deborah, I said, 'I need to be partnering with you!"

That's how Hope for the Homeless was born. "We provide backpacks for the homeless, filled with stuff they can use," Deborah explained. "We include a Bible and a pair of reading glasses in every backpack."

"Some of them don't care or throw it on the ground, but most of them appreciate it," Debbie added. "I once met a homeless man with no legs. I gave him a backpack, and when I asked him if I could pray for him, he said, 'No. I serve a great God. Let me pray for you!"

In addition to the Bible and reading glasses, the backpacks are crammed full of practical things to help with life on the streets. "Years ago, I was at Macaroni Grill, buying dinner to take home," Deborah remembered. "I met this homeless man on the parking lot. I offered him the food. He told me that his biggest worry was that he couldn't get clean anymore, because his towel was so dirty." That's why a towel is included in every backpack. Toiletries like soap, deodorant, baby wipes, razors, toothpaste, chap stick and lotion are included.

Clothing, like underwear, bras, shorts and T-shirts are included, when they have them. "Socks are a No. I requirement," Deborah emphasized. They also include nail clippers, toilet paper and real silverware, since it's reusable and doesn't create trash. Band-Aids, a reusable water bottle and a couple of contractor-size trash bags are included. "The bags help them carry their stuff and keep it all dry"

"We take everything out of its packaging, and put each thing in its own baggie to keep it clean. Removing the packaging makes more room to get more stuff in each backpack. It also saves the homeless person from having to deal with a lot of trash they have no way to dispose of," Debbie added.





Each backpack also includes food. "We put 15 pieces of food in each backpack. We try to focus on nutritious, individually wrapped foods," Deborah explained. "It can be a lot of work. A case of Pop-Tarts is boxes inside boxes inside boxes. It's unbelievable how much packaging there is to dispose of. We accept anything people donate, but some things are more useful than others. Smaller, individual servings that don't need to be cooked are better because storing open containers can be really difficult. Sometimes, people give us things we just can't use, but we partner with other ministries. If someone gives us logs of bologna, we give those to our friend, Tim, who has a feeding ministry."

Clearly, all of this is too much for just two women, no matter how dedicated they are. So, they draw on a wide community of support. After all, they are providing about 100 backpacks four times a year — five times this year and they're hoping for 100 coats in this next distribution. "Heaven's Attic Manna House Resale, in Midlothian and Italy, save all of their backpacks for us, so we always have plenty of packs to fill. They also support us with dropoff locations where people can donate. Both the Joy Walkers and the Binding Circle sewing group at Cowboy Church of Ellis County contribute. The sewing group makes cases for the reading glasses and the silverware. Several crocheters from the church make hats and scarves," Deborah informed. "The other day, I came home and found a donation of towels on my front porch. So many people give. I'll be at Dollar Tree, buying 40 deodorants, and the cashier will ask, 'What are you doing?' I'll tell her, and she'll slip me \$20 out of her purse."





The homeless people they serve are not all the same. People think of the homeless as the random guy on a random park bench. But many of them live in community. "We were giving out backpacks at this one tent city. And there was this one tent that was zipped shut and locked with one of those suitcase locks. We asked, 'What about her?' The others told us, 'Oh, she's away. Her place is locked up. We're watching it for her." Debbie has lots of stories. "One man told me, 'People think I'm a thug because my underwear shows, but I just don't have a belt.' One person came up as we were finishing the distribution. I asked, 'Do you want a sleeping bag?' and reached in the truck for the last sleeping bag, 'Where did you come from?' I asked. They said, 'I came from Jesus,' looked up and said, 'Praise you Jesus.' The veterans really break my heart. Last summer, one of them sat down in one of our folding chairs, with a cold rag on his head. When we were ready to leave, he was passed out in the chair, so we left it with him."

"Another person told me they became homeless because their roommate had a stroke, and they couldn't afford the rent alone," Deborah recounted. "We gave him a bag, and he picked through it, returning the things he couldn't use, so someone else could have them. Everyone wants the same thing. To be fed. To be loved. However they ended up homeless, I guarantee that wasn't their goal. When they started down their road, this was not where they wanted to end up."

"When we started this ministry," Debbie confessed, "we never dreamed what this would become." NOW

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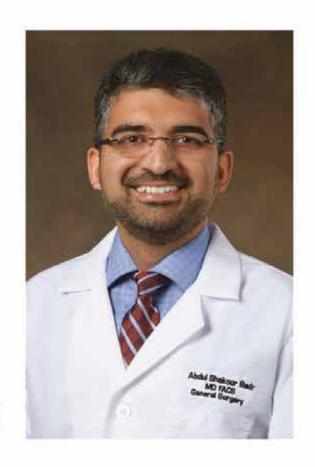
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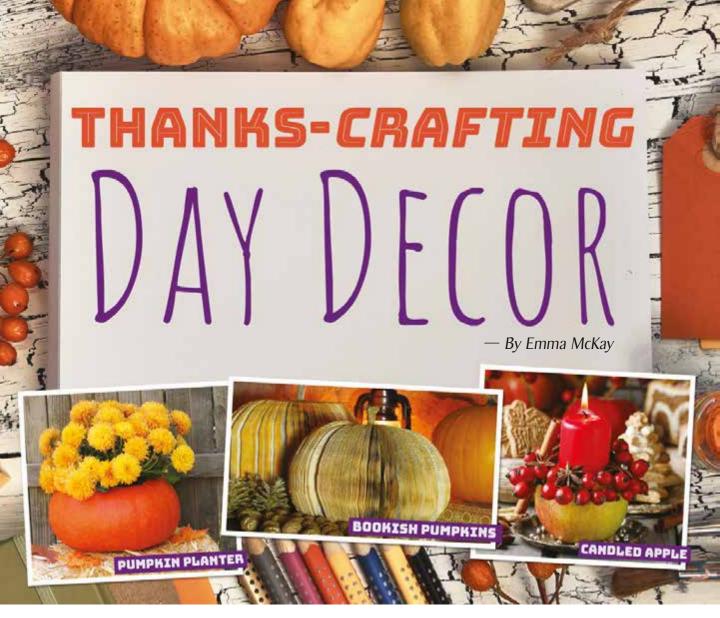
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As the holiday season approaches, Thanksgiving celebrations for friends and family commence. With that comes the need to decorate the house, but it can be difficult finding just the right touches for your fall party. Here are some unique crafts that will certainly be conversation pieces.

PUMPKIN PLANTERS

Supplies: A Sharpie, a large fake pumpkin, a ruler, a box cutter or a precision knife, hot glue, a floral foam block and artificial flowers, preferably in fall colors.

Step 1: Using a Sharpie, draw a circle around the stem of the pumpkin that is about seven to eight inches in diameter, depending on the size of your pumpkin.

Step 2: Use the box cutter/precision knife to cut out the circle and remove the top of the pumpkin. The pumpkin should be hollow inside.

Step 3: Squeeze some hot glue onto one side of the floral foam block, and place it glue-side-down inside of the pumpkin to secure it.

Step 4: Arrange the flowers by sticking them into the foam block. This might take some time to get just right, but once you do, this decoration will last for seasons to come.

BOOKISH PUMPKINS

Supplies: A 300-plus page paperback book, a piece of paper, a pencil, scissors, a precision knife, clamps, acrylic paint, paint brush, hot glue and a stick.

Step 1: Grab the book, and rip the front and back covers off. Sketch a half circle no larger than the book on a piece of paper, then cut it out. Line up the straight edge of the half circle with the spine of the book, and use the half circle as a stencil to trace onto the first page of your book. Use a precision knife to cut around the half circle you traced onto the book, then rip the excess paper from the spine. Repeat this step until all the pages have been cut away. Use scissors to trim any rough edges. Once you are done with this process, the book should look like the outline of a letter D.

Step 2: Place the clamps on the top and the bottom of the book. This should keep the pages in place while you paint them. Using the acrylic paint, paint the edges of the pages. Once the paint has dried, remove the clamps, and separate the pages.

Step 3: Open the book to the middle and lay it flat, bare spine up, on your workstation. Place a moderate amount of hot glue along the middle of the spine, leaving the top third of the book unglued, then press the spine together. Once the glue has dried, glue the front and back pages together. When standing up, the pages of your book should fan out so that it resembles the body of a pumpkin. If it does not stay in place like you want it to, apply glue close to the spine every few pages.

Step 4: Finally, squeeze a generous amount of hot glue onto one end of the stick. Shove the stick into the unglued portion of the spine. This acts as the stem. Now you have a unique decoration for your mantel.

CANDLED APPLE

Supplies: A votive candle, an apple, a Sharpie, a paring knife, a melon baller, a strand of faux cranberries, florist wire, hot glue, star anise and a cinnamon stick.

Step 1: Center the candle over the stem of the apple, then, using the Sharpie, trace a circle around the top of the apple.

Step 2: With the paring knife, cut into the apple following the path you traced with the Sharpie. Scoop the flesh of the apple out with the melon baller. Use the candle to check if your hole is wide enough. If it is not, use the pairing knife to widen it, a little bit at a time. Place the candle inside.

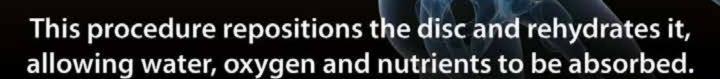
Step 3: Wind the strand of cranberries into a wreath just large enough to rest on top of the apple like a crown. Use a piece of florist wire to twist the ends of the wreath together, so they keep their shape. Finally, hot glue the star anise and the cinnamon stick around the cranberry wreath to garnish. *Note:* Do not glue the wreath onto the apple. That way, you can reuse it for the next apple. Also, keep an eye on the flame. Do not let it stray too close to the wreath.





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Kayla agreed. "A lot of people love our employees. They come back and write notes thanking them. We try to always be really friendly."

Despite what the name might lead you to believe, Tropical Smoothie Cafe serves a lot more than just smoothies. "Our whole menu, including the breakfast menu, is available all day," Kayla informed. That breakfast menu includes items like their Peanut Butter Banana Crunch Flatbread, which is a serious upgrade on a childhood favorite, and various breakfast wraps to give a high protein start to your day. The menu also includes a number of wraps and sandwiches, flatbreads and guesadillas, which they call 'Dillas, and salads. Complemented with their sides, which include fruit and vegetable options and a few cookies, they're ready for any appetite.

"We also have pop-ups and promos, which are exciting menu options that are available for a limited time. Some of those are seasonal items. A lot of these items are available for nine months to a year, and then may come back as

standard menu items. Açai bowls and more breakfast items are coming to the standard menu in January," Eric explained. "And our kids' menu offers smaller portions and kidfriendly options."

Tropical Smoothie Cafe is willing and able to customize anything on their menu. "If you want your sandwich with a different bread or with chipotle instead of Jamaican jerk sauce, we can do that. We can even turn a wrap into a salad bowl," Eric said, "We are one of the few healthy quick-serve restaurants in the industry. We serve food that leaves you feeling better. We have gluten-free options. Some of our dishes include allergens, so we follow very strict protocols about cross contamination."

But, of course, Tropical Smoothie Cafe also has smoothies, "Our smoothies are lactose-intolerance friendly, because they're made with yogurt, not milk. Our two most popular are the Bahama Mama, made with strawberry, pineapple, coconut and white chocolate, and the Sunrise Sunset, made with strawberry, pineapple mango and orange juice," Kayla informed. Their menu currently has 18 standard options that can be customized with add-ins like energy boosters and fat burners, extra protein and health boosters like vitamins and probiotics. "Parents often add the probiotics to their kids' smoothies when they're feeling under the weather."

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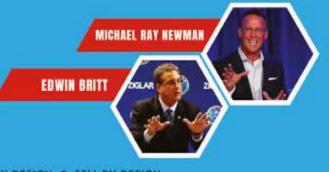
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Around Town



Zoomed In:Rick Owens

By Adam Walker

Rick Owens, a member of Cowboy Church of Ellis County, helped add to the fun at the Waxahachie Chautauqua Cowboy Poet event by teaching locals, young and old, how to rope a steer. He and his fellow church members had a couple of iron calf heads mounted on sawhorses set up for would-be cowpokes to try their hand at corralling the dogies. "I've been doing this since the 1980s. I started out with bull riding, but I got hurt doing that, so I decided to trade out a flat rope for a round one. You see, you use a flat rope to hold on when you're riding a bull. You use a round rope for lassoing. I got smart. This is a lot less hard on the body!"



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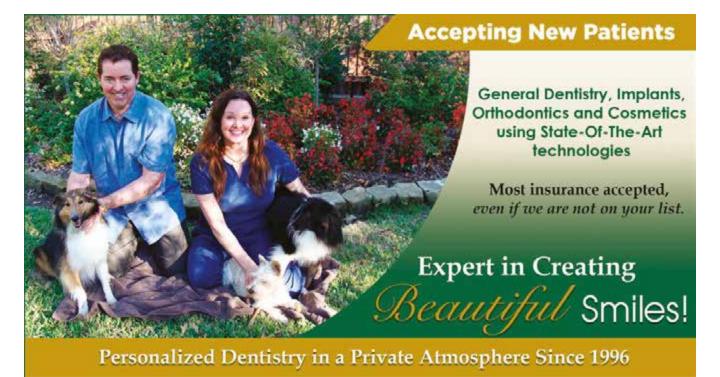
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Born and raised in Waxahachie, Mallorie Moorman has lived in Midlothian for five years, where she coaches for the local basketball league. "Having four kids in sports, our lives stay busy with practices and games. With Crock-Pot meals, it feels like a win to have dinner already done for us," she noted.

Mallorie always liked cooking but recently discovered the joy of preparing a meal for her husband and children. "There is just something about hearing them say, 'This is so good, Mom! Thank you!" she admitted. "Baking with my two girls in the kitchen is a new favorite, as well."

Mallorie also stays busy homeschooling her children, while her husband has become the newest Midlothian City Council member. "I decided to share Crock-Pot meals because they are so fitting for our busy life!" Now

Crock-Pot Corn Chowder

1 lb. ground sausage

2 14.5-oz. cans corn

1 14.5-oz. can cream of mushroom soup

3 14.5-oz. cans cream of potato soup

I qt. half-and-half

2 blocks cream cheese

I stick butter

Salt, to taste
Pepper, to taste
1-2 Tbsp. Tony Chachere's Creole
Seasoning, or to taste
Tostitos Scoops chips (optional)
Biscuits (optional)

I. Brown the ground sausage in a skillet; put the sausage in a Crock-Pot. Drain and

rinse the cans of corn; add the corn to the Crock-Pot.

- **2.** Add the cream of mushroom and cream of potato soup. Add the half-and-half, cream cheese and butter. Add salt, pepper and Tony Chachere's Creole Seasoning on top for taste.
- **3.** Cook on low for 6-8 hours. Stir occasionally. Serve with Tostitos scoops or over biscuits.

Crock-Pot Red Beans

1 lb. red beans

7 cups water

2 cups chicken broth

I green bell pepper, chopped

1 medium onion, chopped

3 celery stalks, chopped

1 1/2 lbs. sliced sausage

3 garlic cloves, minced

2 Tbsp. Tony Chachere's Creole Seasoning

Rice, cooked, to taste

1. Rinse the red beans; add them to a

Crock-Pot. Add the water and chicken broth. **2.** Add the bell peppers, onions and celery. Add the sliced sausage, garlic and Tony Chachere's Creole Seasoning.

3. Cook on high for 7 hours. Serve over rice.

Crock-Pot Chicken Alfredo

2 lbs. chicken breast 2 tsp. salt (divided use) Pepper, to taste Garlic powder, to taste

1 Tbsp. olive oil

3 cups heavy cream

4 cups chicken broth

4 Tbsp. butter

2 garlic cloves, minced

1 lb. penne pasta, uncooked

5 oz. Parmesan cheese, shredded

1. Season the chicken breast with 1 tsp. of salt, pepper and garlic powder. Heat the olive oil in a skillet on medium to high heat; quickly sear the chicken.

2. Add the chicken, heavy cream, chicken broth, butter, garlic, remaining salt and several turns of freshly ground black pepper to a Crock-Pot. Cook on low for 4 hours or on high for 2-3 hours.

3. Remove the chicken from the Crock-Pot. Shred it; set it aside.

4. Add the uncooked penne pasta to the cream mixture that is still in the Crock-Pot. Cook for 30 minutes. Once the pasta is cooked, add the chicken back in. Add the Parmesan cheese; stir.

5. Serve with a vegetable of your choice and garlic bread.

Crock-Pot Smothered Pork Chops

6 boneless thick-cut pork chops 8 oz. mushrooms, sliced

1/2 onion, sliced

1/2 cup beef broth

1 14.5-oz. can cream of mushroom soup

1 14.5-oz. can cream of chicken soup

2 tsp. garlic cloves, minced

1 tsp. paprika

I tsp. black pepper

Mashed potatoes, to taste

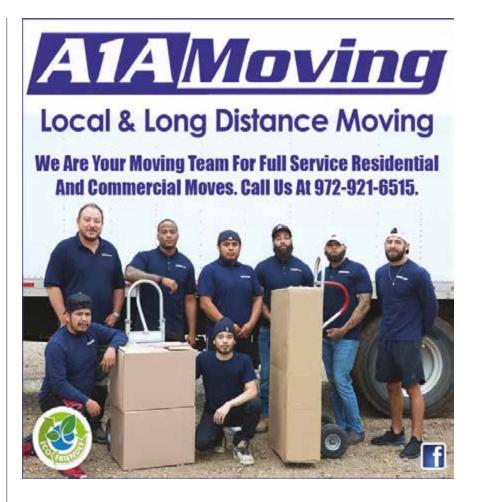
I. Place the pork chops in a Crock-Pot. Add the mushrooms and sliced onions on top of the pork chops.

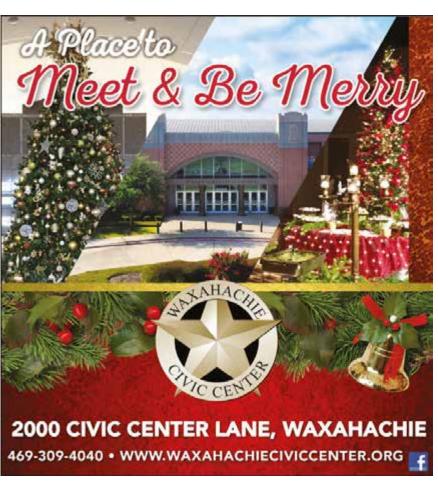
2. Mix the beef broth, cream of mushroom soup, cream of chicken soup, garlic, paprika and pepper in a small bowl.

3. Pour the mixture into the Crock-Pot on top of everything. Cook on low for 6-8 hours. Serve over mashed potatoes.

Crock-Pot Chicken Spaghetti

2 chicken breasts 1/2 tsp. salt







1 tsp. onion powder 1/2 tsp. paprika 1 Tbsp. garlic, minced 2 14.5-oz. cans cream of chicken soup 1 10-oz. can Ro-Tel 1/4 cup sour cream 2 cups Colby-Jack cheese, shredded 1 lb. spaghetti

1/2 tsp. pepper

1. Place the chicken breasts, seasonings, cream of chicken soup and Ro-Tel into the Crock-Pot: stir. Cook on low for 4-6 hours. 2. Once the chicken is cooked, remove it from the pot and slice it. Return the chicken to the Crock-Pot; stir in sour cream and cheese.

3. Cook the spaghetti according to the package instructions; add it to the Crock-Pot.

4. Serve with garlic bread and a vegetable of your choice.

Crock-Pot Pumpkin Cobbler

2 15-oz. cans pure pumpkin 1 12-oz. can evaporated milk 3 eggs, beaten

1/4 cup brown sugar I cup granulated sugar 1 Tbsp. vanilla 1 Tbsp. cinnamon I box spice cake mix 1 stick butter, thinly sliced Pecans, chopped (to taste) Whipped cream, to taste (optional) Vanilla ice cream, to taste (optional)

- 1. Add the pumpkin, evaporated milk, eggs, brown sugar, sugar, vanilla and cinnamon to a Crock-Pot; stir.
- 2. Pour the spice cake mix on top of mixture, but do *not* mix it. Top the cake mix with butter slices; sprinkle with chopped pecans. Cook on high for 2-3 hours.
- **3.** Serve with whipped cream or vanilla ice cream.

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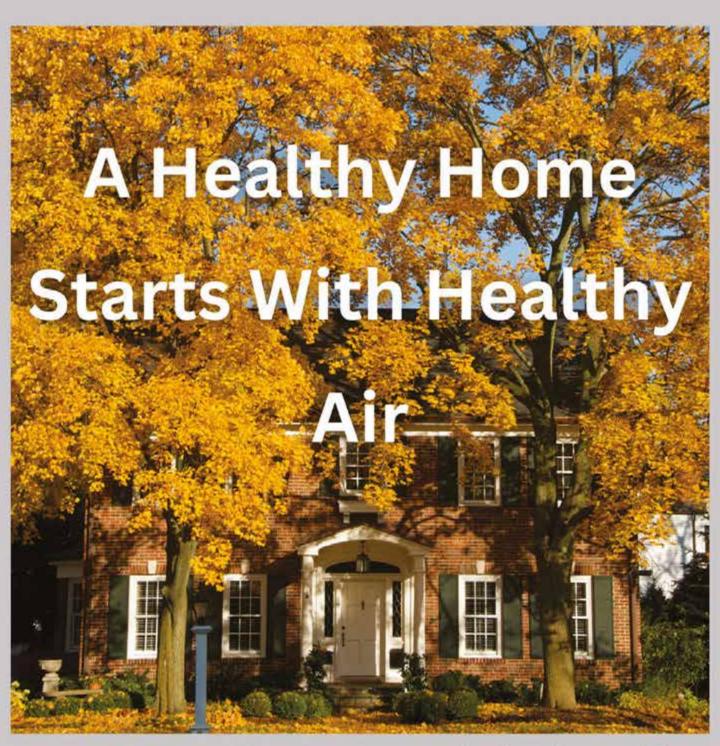


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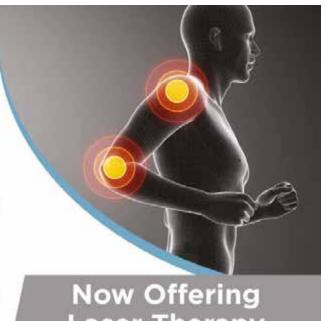




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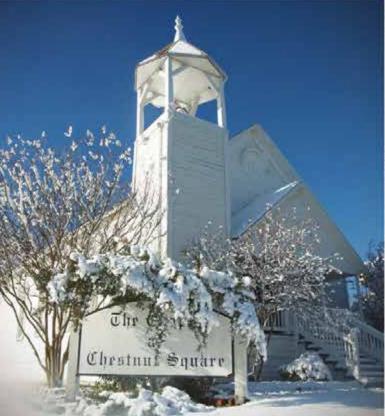
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As the holiday season approaches, McKinney, Texas, transforms into a winter wonderland that captivates visitors and locals alike. Known for its small-town charm and festive spirit, McKinney offers a plethora of holiday activities, events and decorations that create an enchanting atmosphere to delight all ages.

Home for the Holidays Festival — November 24-26

McKinney's Home for the Holidays festival, held every Thanksgiving weekend, is a beloved tradition that kicks off the Christmas season. The event features an array of activities, including live music and dance performances, arts and crafts vendors and food trucks offering delicious holiday treats. Children can delight in visits with Santa Claus in his workshop. And families will not want to miss the spectacular community tree-lighting ceremony on Friday evening followed by a concert on the square. Admission to the weekend-long event is free.

Throughout the holiday season, families can enjoy the Christmas Carousel, kids workshop craft area, visits with Santa and taking family photos by the community Christmas tree on the downtown square. Of course, you will want to take some time to stroll around Historic Downtown McKinney to be enchanted by the festive storefront displays.

Christmas shopping in McKinney is a delight, as the city boasts an eclectic array of boutiques, specialty stores and art galleries. Browse through the shops to find one-of-a-kind gifts for your loved ones, such as handmade jewelry, clothing, home decor, Christmas decorations, toys and artisanal chocolates.

After a day of shopping and exploring, enjoy the delightful dining options McKinney has to offer. From cozy cafes serving hot soups and sandwiches to upscale restaurants with seasonal menus, the city's dining scene caters to all tastes. Don't miss the chance to try some Texas-style barbecue, a local favorite, or indulge in a festive feast at one

of the many restaurants offering special holiday menus.

50th Annual Holiday Tour of Homes — December 2-3 & 9-10

This year, Chestnut Square and the Heritage Guild of Collin County celebrate 50 years of this favored event that showcases several homes in McKinney's residential historic district. For this year's tour, there will be two sets of decorated homes, one set each weekend, and bonus stops and activities at Chestnut Square Heritage Village. In addition to the home tours, guests can enjoy tea served along with a full breakfast buffet in the recently renovated Bevel House. (Additional ticket required for this activity.)

Holidays at the Heard — December 8-9

This annual event at the Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary brings the beauty of the holiday season to nature. Children can take part in activities and snacks in the museum while visiting with Father Christmas, then head out to the nature trails adorned with thousands of twinkling lights. Make sure to look for the animatronic dinosaurs that visit The Heard each fall and winter, all decked out for the season. Bundle up the kids, and enjoy this one-of-a-kind family holiday experience.

Christmas Parade of Lights — December 9

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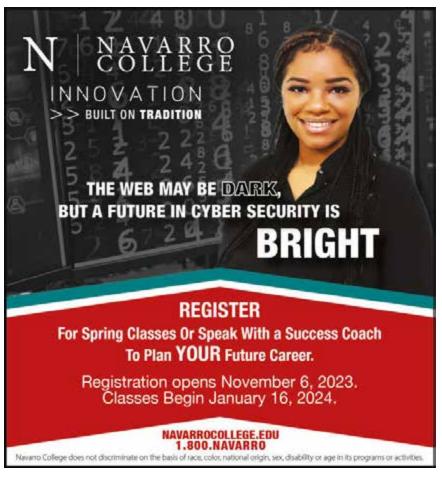
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Beth Shumate Communications Manager — Visit McKinney

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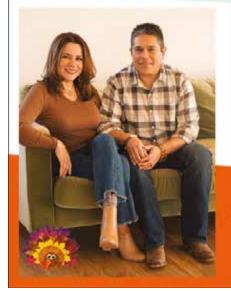


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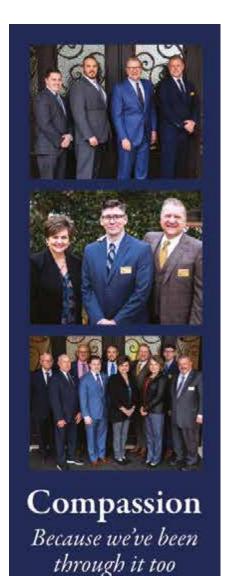
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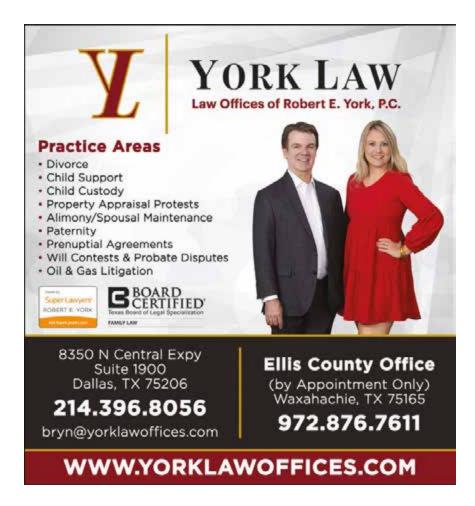






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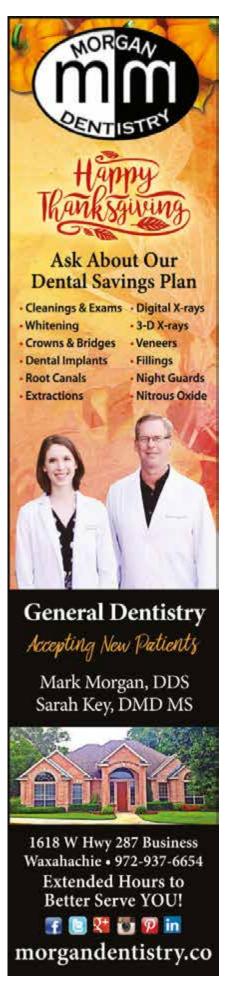
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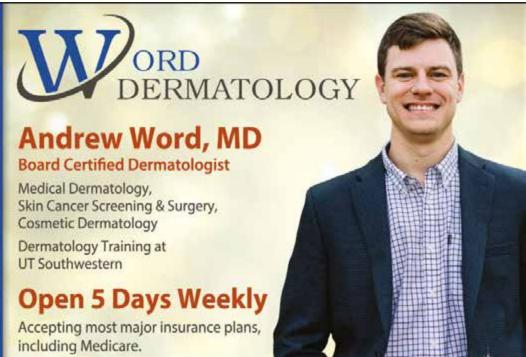
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