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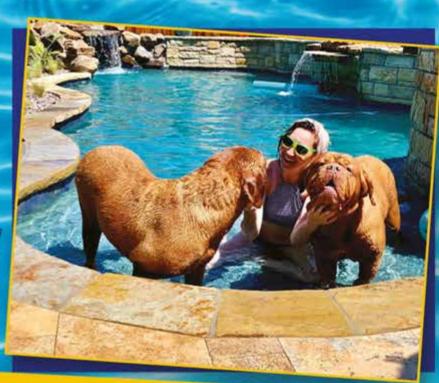
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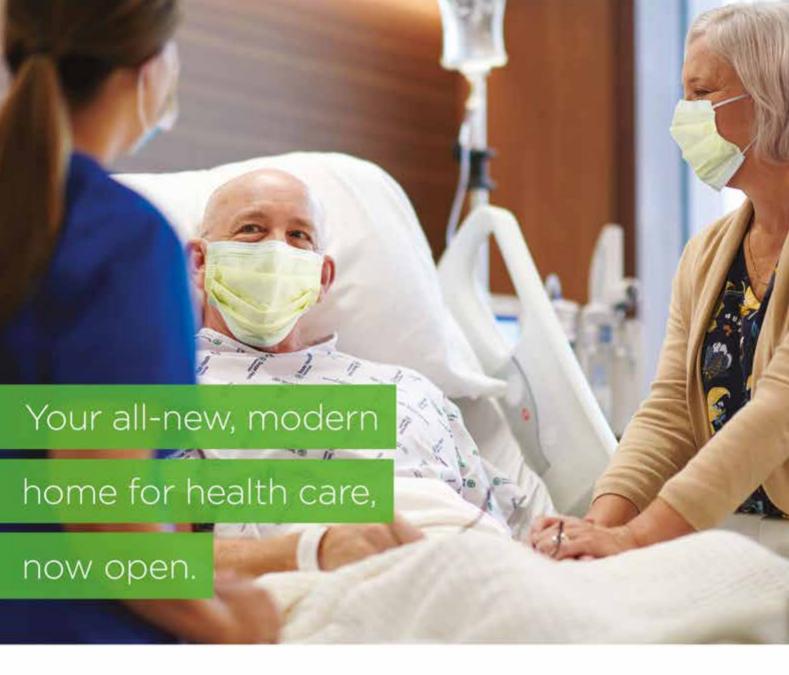


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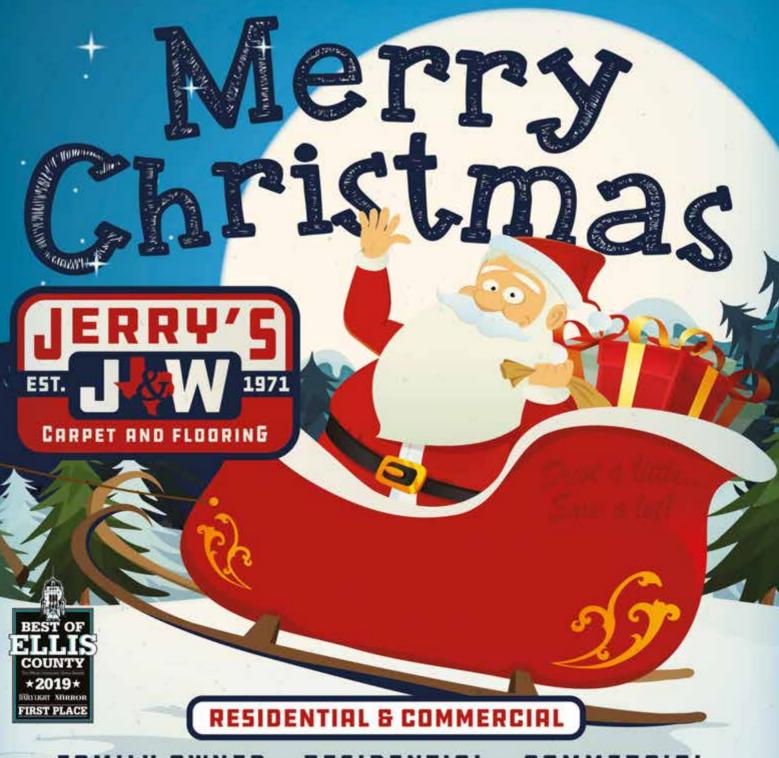
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Halleluiah! Halleluiah!

I swear I heard the sound of Handel's Messiah ring out as I flipped my wall calendar from November to December. I may have shed a tear or two with the realization this year is finally coming to an end. And, yes, I still use a wall calendar because I'm not just old — I'm old school. I prefer to glance at those big white squares on paper representing days adding up to months, more than squinting at the tiny but stark, blue-lit calendar of an app on my smartphone. Maybe there's nothing special about a traditional wall calendar, but as Scooby-Doo's Fred said when asked why he wears an ascot, "I like the way it looks."

At the end of every year, it is a soothing tradition to sit down with my old calendar and a fresh new one to transfer significant dates I want to remember. Birthdays and anniversaries of friends and family, of course, as well as days when loved ones were lost. Not only will this keep me on track sending cards (or at least heartfelt text messages) from month to month, it also allows me to pause and reflect on another navigation around the sun. Pencil to paper, writing names, ages, years of commitment; small recognitions of people who impact me, calendar after calendar. Those words creating lyrics, building months of verses, resulting in the song of my life.

What music will play when you flip your calendar today? How do you reflect on those who touch your life in big or small ways? May 2020 end on a beautiful note remembering those who fill your days.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Ah-leh-loo-ya!

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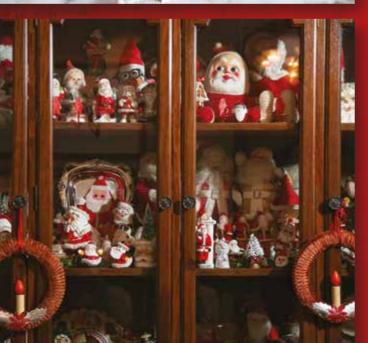




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TEXAS-SIZED CHRISTMAS

AT HOME WITH JOHN AND DEBBIE POTTER

— By Angel Morris

When John and Debbie Potter moved from Michigan to Texas, it meant packing dozens of Christmas decor bins and a Santa collection exceeding 250 figures. Accustomed to a state with four distinct seasons, they are learning to adjust. "Moving from the Midwest to the South has been quite the transition. The weather, landscape and wildlife are very different than we're used to," Debbie admitted.

Holiday decorating is unique for the Potters, too. "My snow skis and sled made the trip from Michigan to decorate our front porch. Is it weird to have 'Winter Wonderland' decorations in Texas, where the weather is 'hot and hotter?" John mused.

Before moving here, the Potters were no strangers to Texas, with one daughter who had lived in the state for a decade, five of those years in Midlothian. "We were the parents and grandparents visiting a couple times a year. Now we are residents! The move has been bittersweet. We are close to family we only saw twice a year and missed the holidays with," Debbie noted. "On the other hand, we now are far from our other two daughters and their families. Thank goodness for FaceTime!"

John's employer relocated him to Texas in June 2019. He and Debbie had lived their entire lives in Michigan, having met in 1970 at age 12 while hanging out with friends in their neighborhood.

After high school, John enlisted in the U.S. Navy for four years, while Debbie attended Central Michigan University. John returned from California, and Debbie from college, in 1980. "I heard John was home, and after finding him at a park playing

baseball with his buddies, the rest is history! We were married in 1982," Debbie recounted.

Formerly part of a Navy aircraft carrier squadron, John has a passion for aviation, and the Potters live between Eagle's Nest and Mid-Way Regional Airport. "We have daily and nightly flyovers, and John's knowledge of the aircraft amazes me," Debbie complimented.

John has decorated his home office in antique furniture, pictures, planes and aircraft carrier models, along with Navy memorabilia from his father and father-in-law.

Debbie is always crafting or sewing. When her daughters were young, she made sweatshirts, dolls, Santas and angels for craft shows. Recently, she participated in the Midlothian Market and Fall Festival, showcasing fabric pumpkins. In addition, she makes gnomes for all seasons.

Being a licensed pharmacy technician for 31 years inspired a collection Debbie calls "anything pharmacy," including mostly vintage scales, mortar and pestles, graduated cylinders, apothecary jars, medicine bottles and so on. She also has Valentine's, St. Patrick's, Easter, July Fourth, Halloween and Thanksgiving vintage collections, but her Christmas decor is the most extensive. "John keeps reminding me storage is an issue, but when I'm 'hunting,' that does not cross my mind!" Debbie laughed.

The couple's holiday decorating begins with a fresh-cut tree the week after Thanksgiving. A papier mâché angel Debbie made in the Brownies in the '60s tops the tree. The angel is followed by the Holy Nail symbolizing Christ's crucifixion.

Next up, 700 lights and many totes of ornaments. "The ornaments are a collection from our childhood, yearly ornaments we gave our three daughters growing up and Santas traditionally given to me from John every Christmas. These yearly gifts started my Santa addiction!" Debbie explained.

In their bedroom, the Potters decorate a full-size champagne-colored tree with their oldest and most delicate ornaments. "There are approximately 150 ornaments from pre-



World War II through the 1950s. During war times, unsilvered ornaments with paper caps were produced to conserve metal for the war efforts. If you're lucky, a small piece of tinsel was put in the ornament," John explained.

Two 4-foot trees decorate the dining room — one themed Christmas Toys and the other Texas themed. "I made garland with rope and bandana ties to complement the Southwestern ornaments." Debbie remarked.

A small, white goose feather tree greets guests in the entryway. "We dress this tree in antique mercury glass, beaded garland and our tiniest antique ornaments," John said.

Two new trees were added this year — a tabletop aluminum tree from the "Space Age" that was used during a salesman's travels as part of holiday advertising, and a Christopher Radko Jolly Jingles Boot tree. "After adding these, the tree count will be seven," Debbie commented.

Among the holiday treasures are many angels, carolers, reindeer and mice. Of special meaning are nativities from Debbie's childhood and John's grandmother's celluloid Santa and sled. Two Thomas Nast Illustrations from the 1800s are treasured pieces, as are Potter family silver pieces. "We change up our displays yearly. In recent years, Debbie has favored grouping displays for more impact!" John said.

Debbie said unpacking displays brings her joy and calculates that decorating for Christmas 2019 took a full 30 days. "Call us crazy, but it's tradition!" she said.





The Potters give their grandchildren special ornaments every year, as they did their daughters. "Our love of ornaments is fed by the warm, nostalgic feelings brought on by treasures of the past," John noted. "When we were growing up, never did we have a thought about how well-made, intricate and beautiful the decorations were that surrounded us. Now as we collect, we realize how cool they really are."

Outside the holidays, the couple's overall decorating style is a mix of antique, industrial, vintage and farmhouse. "Our things are a unique mix of items that speak to us. In John's opinion, way too many things speak to me," Debbie joked.

Obviously, antiquing is a favorite pastime for the Potters. "We favor an antique mall in Fort Worth that has 61,000 square feet, where we spend an average of four hours," John calculated.

John also enjoys fishing, off-roading and anything related to space. "He loves teaching our grandchildren about the stars and planets. Really anything outdoorsy is John. The grandkids talk insects, birds, bats, trees and so much more with Papa, and they love it," Debbie said.

The couple brought kayaks from Michigan and enjoy looking for nearby scenic lakes and rivers for spring or fall day trips. They also enjoy walking their two rescue dogs along wooded trails.

Whether discovering new things or cherishing old, the Potters are happy to call Texas home. "We celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ the entire year, not just during the Christmas season," John noted, "and we wish our new Midlothian community blessings, hope and love!" NOW



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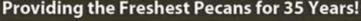
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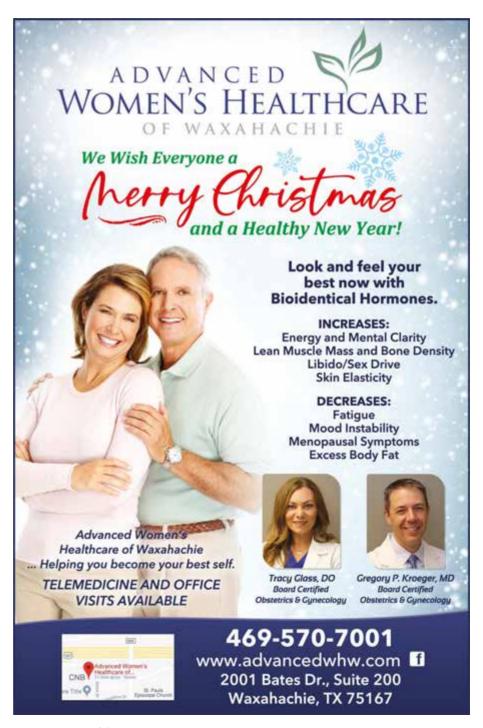
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Homegrown dentist Dr. John Vinton is proud to have returned to Midlothian not only to live, but also to grow his business, Soothing Dental. The name says it all when it comes to concern for patients and their personal comfort. "I'm happy to be part of the community I grew up in, and to offer almost a hybrid spa experience that's customized to the patient," Dr.

Vinton noted. "If a patient is dental-phobic, we go very slowly with them. We offer them a complimentary beverage of their choice. They get to listen to the type of music they prefer, and we even have TVs overhead."

More important than the pampering is that Soothing Dental is a full-service office, where Dr. Vinton does his own root canals, extractions, same-day permanent crowns, pediatric dentistry and many more services. "We never pressure you into any procedures, however, and we always make sure you are completely on-board with our treatment recommendations before moving forward," Dr. Vinton reiterated.

Following in the footsteps of his mentor — longtime Midlothian dentist, Dr. Maxwell — John dreamed of having the same bond with patients. In turn, he attended The University of Texas at Austin and graduated from Baylor College of Dentistry in 2007. "Dr. Maxwell was my dentist as a child and the reason I went into dentistry," Dr. Vinton admitted.

To meet demands of his ever-growing practice. Dr. Vinton relies on three hygienists and an office manager, who happens to be the aforementioned Dr. Maxwell's daughter-in-law. He also credits his wife, Chelsea, with public relations, including website and social media management. "We've doubled in volume with the number of hygiene hours and added new technology to better serve our patients." Dr. Vinton noted, "Good word of mouth has been our best PR."

Soothing Dental has always been committed to patient safety, even prior to the coronavirus pandemic. "I'm proud to say we haven't had to change much. We have to wear an extra N95 mask, but our sterilization protocol was already compliant."

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Dr. Vinton anticipates a return to more normal community gatherings when his business can further support local organizations, like the Little League teams he has assisted. "Someday, our now 2-year-old son, Michael, will be involved in various things, and we look forward to helping out," he said.

Having been all around the Metroplex, Dr. Vinton believes there's no place like home. "The support of my family and my hometown helps me provide a dental office experience like no other. I cater to the needs of my patients, and I do everything possible to make sure they look forward to every visit," he said. "Comfortable patients make everybody happier!" **NOW**

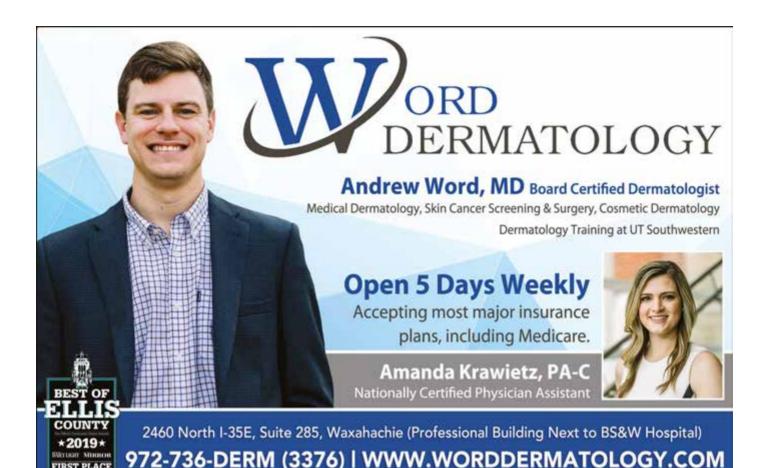
















Around Town



Zoomed In: Zoë Chandler

By Angel Morris

A member of the Midlothian Clay Target Team, Zoë Chandler headed out for practice at Ellis County Sportsmans Club. "I grew up clay shooting with my dad and wanted to get involved in shooting sports. When I heard the team was forming last year, I immediately wanted to join," Zoë explained.

An eighth-grader at Walnut Grove Middle School, Zoë said the team coaches are excellent. Teammates are supportive, and the sport offers a unique challenge. "You're not only competing as a team but also against yourself, trying to improve, so you are only thinking about the clay."

A member of National Junior Honor Society and theater arts, Zoë just completed her Silver Award with Girl Scouts. "I also play guitar, ukulele and love playing with my dogs, Sadie and Zelda."



19-year-old Dane Greeson meets 82-year-old Connie Lightsey as the two first-time voters cast their ballots.



The Miranda family poses for holiday pictures at a local pumpkin farm.



Leaders involved in the development of Jordan Run Estates Phase IV, break ground on the Midlothian project.



Lila Smith helps feed the fainting goats at grandparents, Steve and Sheri Charo's, farm.



Century 21 realty team hands out candy at the city's annual Downtown Trick or Treat event.



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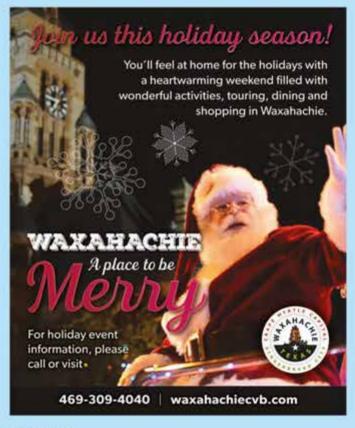




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For Jenn Fontaine, cooking is a calling. "It is in my DNA. I absolutely love being in the kitchen and the process of it all, but there's nothing like when I see everyone's faces after taking the first bite," she admitted.

At Christmas, Jenn reflects on a favorite holiday cooking memory: "My father-in-law was over for Father's Day dinner. I was struggling to make homemade gravy. He pulled me aside, told me to relax, and was able to show me how to balance out the ingredients and slowly add things to thicken it correctly. I have homemade gravy perfected now." Today, it's still southern comfort fare that brings her family and friends together. "No one ever leaves Mama Jenn's house on an empty stomach!"

Chocolate Pecan Bourbon Pie

Pie:

- 4 large eggs, beaten
- 1/4 cup unsalted butter, melted (Use real butter.)
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 1/2 cup light brown sugar, firmly packed
- I cup Karo dark corn syrup or sugar cane syrup
- 2 tsp. pure vanilla extract (Use Adams Best only.)
- 1/4 cup bourbon
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1 1/2 cups pecan halves

I 6-oz. cup semisweet chocolate chipsI deep-dish piecrust, unbaked

Whipped Cream:

- I pt. heavy whipping cream I tsp. pure vanilla extract
- 1/4 cup sugar (Do not oversweeten.)
- **I.** For pie: In a mixing bowl, add everything to the eggs, except the pecans and chocolate chips; mix well.
- **2.** Fold in the pecans and chocolate chips; pour the mixture into the piecrust.
- **3.** Bake at 350 F for 60-70 minutes. The center should reach 200 F. Tap the pie on

top lightly; it should spring back. If it sinks, cook another 5 minutes, watching so the pecans don't burn. Cool at least 1 hour.

- **4.** For whipped cream: Put the whipping cream, mixing bowl and beaters in the freezer 1/2 hour before you are ready to make the whipping cream. Pour the cream and vanilla into the bowl; mix, starting on low and increasing to medium, and then to high, as firmness develops.
- **5.** When the cream starts to stiffen, slowly add the sugar until you have stiff peaks.
- **6.** Store in the refrigerator until ready to serve. Place atop slices of pie.

Five Pepper Chicken

1/2 box angel hair pasta Nature's Seasons Seasoning Blend,

to taste

Pepper, to taste

Garlic salt, to taste

Butter, to taste

2 green bell peppers

1 red bell pepper

1 yellow bell pepper

I orange bell pepper

I purple onion

l zucchini

1 squash

Olive oil

- 1 can Progresso Bread Crumbs
- 1 egg
- 2 cups water
- I pkg. chicken breasts or strips (I prefer strips.)

Parmesan cheese, to taste

- **I.** Preheat the oven to 350 F Boil water for the pasta. After the pasta is cooked and drained, add seasoning blend, pepper, garlic salt and butter; set aside.
- **2.** Cut up all vegetables. I like to do strips of the bell peppers and cut the zucchini and squash in half rounds. Season with seasoning blend.
- **3.** Pour enough oil in a frying pan to coat all the vegetables; sauté until tender.
- **4.** Meanwhile, pour breadcrumbs in a Ziploc gallon freezer bag with about 1 tsp. of black pepper.
- **5.** Crack the egg in a bowl; add water and beat. Dip the chicken in the egg wash. Put the chicken in the Ziploc bag of breadcrumbs; shake. Do this twice!
- **6.** When the vegetables are done, remove them; set aside. In the same oil, cook the chicken until golden brown.
- **7.** Transfer the chicken to a large casserole dish; add the vegetables around it. Sprinkle with Parmesan. Bake, uncovered, for 15-20 minutes. Serve over pasta.

Stuffed Chili

Makes I dozen. Double recipe for holiday parties!

1 lb. ground beef Nature's Seasons Seasoning Blend, to taste

Onion powder, to taste Garlic powder, to taste

- I pkg. McCormick Tex-Mex Chili Seasoning Mix
- I can mild Ro-Tel tomatoes
- 1 small can tomato sauce
- I pkg. yellow or white combread mix I egg
- 2/3 cup milk
- 2 cups mild cheddar, shredded
- **I.** Preheat the oven to 400 F. Brown the hamburger meat; add the next 3 ingredients. Drain; add the McCormick packet, Ro-Tel and tomato sauce. Mix well; simmer for 5-10 minutes.
- **2.** While the chili simmers, prepare cornbread mix as directed on package. Spray a muffin pan with nonstick spray. Pour the cornbread mix about a quarter of the way up each muffin cup. Dab a spoonful of the chili in each muffin cup; top with cheese. Bake about 15 minutes, or until golden brown on top.



Maw-ma's Cheese Hominy

- 1 stick margarine
- 6 cans yellow hominy, drained
- I family-size can cream of mushroom soup
- I medium-size jar medium-hot picante sauce
- 8 oz. Velveeta cheese, cubed
- **I.** Melt margarine in a large saucepan. Add hominy, cream of mushroom soup and picante sauce. Stir over medium heat until hot.
- **2.** Mix in cheese until melted. Transfer to a Crock-Pot to keep warm.

Maw-ma's Cake and Gravy

- I devil's food chocolate cake mix
- 2 cups whole milk
- I cup canned milk
- 1 cup water
- 1/2 stick margarine
- 2 tsp. vanilla (If using imitation vanilla, use 2 Tbsp.)
- 2 cups sugar (divided use)
- 4 Tbsp. flour
- 1 tsp. cinnamon

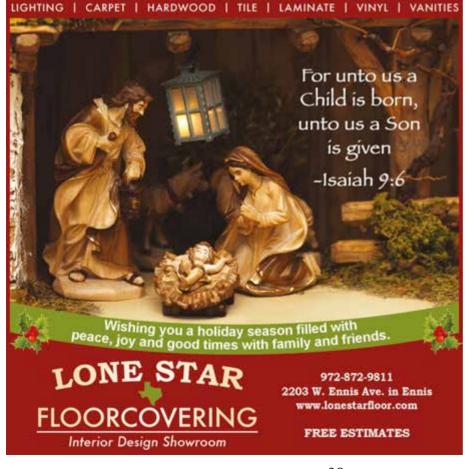
- **I.** Prepare the cake mix as directed on the box. Bake in a 9x13-inch pan.
- **2.** In a heavy saucepan, combine and bring to a boil the milk, water, margarine, vanilla and 1 1/2 cups of the sugar.
- **3.** In a separate bowl, mix 1/2 cup sugar, flour and cinnamon with a little milk until it is of a pourable consistency.
- **4.** When the saucepan ingredients come to a boil, gradually stir in the flour, sugar and cinnamon mixture; stir until it thickens. Serve warm gravy over a slice of cake.

Granny's Chocolate Chip Cake

- 4 large eggs
- 1 stick butter, softened
- 8 oz. sour cream
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 Duncan Hines Butter Golden Cake Mix
- I tsp. pure vanilla
- 1 tsp. almond extract
- 1 tsp. Adams Best Butter Flavoring
- 1 12-oz. bag chocolate chips
- I cup pecans, chopped (optional) Baker's loy cooking spray

- **1.** Preheat oven to 325 F. Beat eggs thoroughly; add butter. Mix in sour cream and sugar.
- **2.** When well blended, add cake mix, vanilla, almond extract and butter flavoring. Beat at medium speed until creamy and smooth. Fold in chocolate chips and pecans, if using.
- **3.** Prepare a Bundt pan with Baker's Joy cooking spray; bake about 1 hour.







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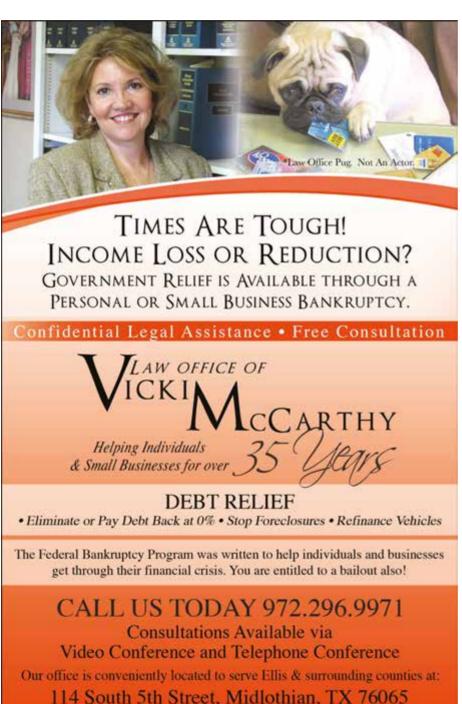


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Foot and Ankle Injuries in the Workplace

When we talk about injuries that can occur in the workplace, we're usually talking about a broad range of concerns. Some of these problems are acute, meaning they are unexpected and happen suddenly. This involves trauma typically caused by an accident, such as having something fall on your foot, or tripping and hurting your foot or ankle.

Other workplace injuries reflect chronic conditions, which means they typically develop over a period of time and may progress, or may wax and wane in their symptoms. Chronic foot and ankle problems are especially common among people whose jobs involve standing or walking for long periods of time. This puts a lot of weight on your feet, which can be stressful on your bones and soft tissues, such as your tendons. Some of the most common injuries include plantar fasciitis, stress fractures and PTTD (Posterior Tibial Tendon Dysfunction).

Plantar fasciitis is the most common cause of heel pain in adults. It is an inflammation of the long band of tissue — called the plantar fascia — that runs along the bottom of the foot from the heel to

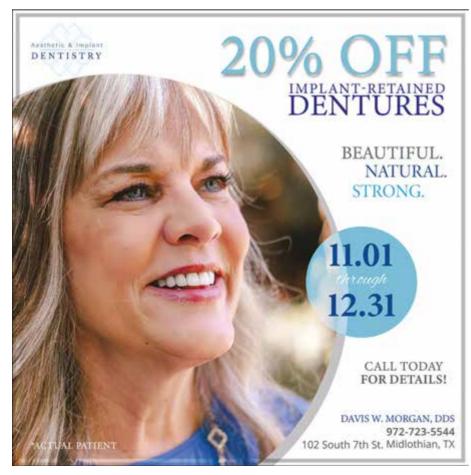
the toes. The inflammation typically arises from putting repetitive or excessive stress on the foot.

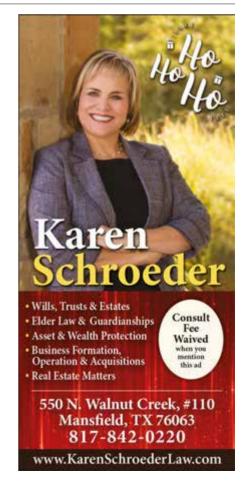
Stress fractures are also common in workers who spend a good amount of time on their feet, particularly if they're not used to it. A stress fracture is a hairline break in the bone often caused by overuse or by trying to do too much too soon and can eventually lead to a complete break.

Prolonged standing or walking in the workplace can also overstress the foot's posterior tibial tendon, and that can exacerbate a condition called posterior tibial tendon dysfunction. One of the roles of this tendon, which runs down the inner side of the foot and ankle, is to support the arch. PTTD causes changes to the tendon, thus impairing its ability to support the arch. As a result, the foot flattens. PTTD is often called "adult-acquired flatfoot" because it's the most common type of flatfoot developed during adulthood.

You may be wondering if there is anything you can do to help prevent getting foot injuries in the workplace. Yes, there is! There are three keys to keep in mind when choosing shoes. Your shoes must be stiff-soled shoes with high-quality inserts or custom orthotics. Next, your shoes should have slip-resistant soles to safeguard against skidding and falling, Finally, avoid open-type shoes. Sandals expose your feet and put them at greater risk of injury if something falls on your foot. NOW

Christopher Schmitt, DPM Associate of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons Southern Star Foot & Ankle











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Shopping, food vendors, music, children's activities and selfies with Santa. 1:00-5:00 p.m., Downtown Midlothian. www.midlothian.tx.us/25/ Parks-and-Recreation.

Peace on Earth Light-Up Parade:

6:00 p.m., parade begins at Avenue B on North 8th Street, travels along Avenue F and ends at Overlook.

12/7

Running of the Elves:

5K Run/Walk to benefit the Class of 2020 and Project Graduation. Dress like your favorite elf as prizes will be awarded for best costume. In case of inclement weather all entry fees will be donated to Project Graduation. 8:30-11:00 a.m., Don Floyd Memorial Stadium, 1800 S. 14th St.

12/11

Merry Movie Night:

Featuring The Grinch. 6:30 p.m., Downtown Midlothian.

Second Tuesdays

Alzheimer's and **Dementia Support Group of Ellis County Meeting:**

Please come talk, listen, share and take notes. For family members dealing with this terrible disease in a positive manner. Free. 6:00 p.m., Farley Street

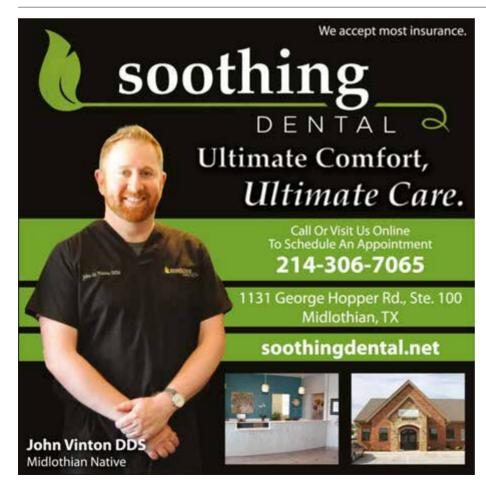
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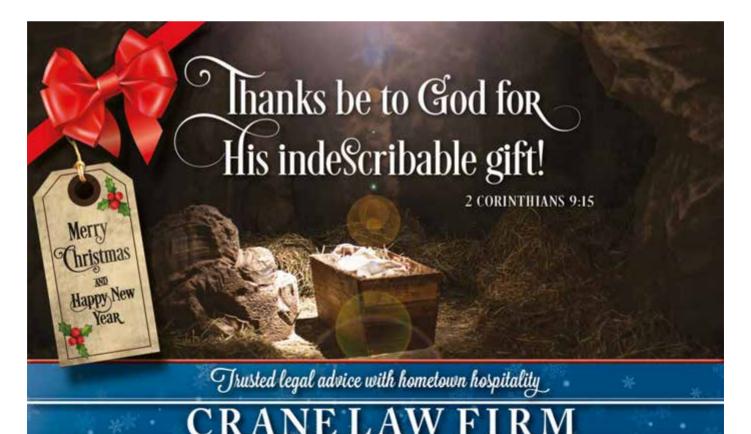
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