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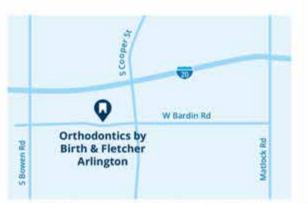


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### EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear Mansfield Family...

This past year has been quite fulfilling. I received the pleasure of writing about some incredible residents. Many times, I found myself crying as I wrote your stories. As tears flowed, I was inspired as well as desired to ensure that a variety of people had the opportunity. The Mansfield community is extremely unique. I didn't realize how amazing you were until many of you let me into your world. I've had the privilege of sitting in living rooms and businesses as I listened to you share your hearts.

As we embark on a new year, I'm thrilled about hearing more stories, so feel free to email me at sandra.walters@nowmagazines.com with a short paragraph recommending someone as a possible feature and send photos for Around Town, too. I loved getting a sneak peek into your accomplishments and making somebody's day by simply featuring them in the magazine. Someone stated, "I'm Mansfield famous!" as she smiled because she was featured in this magazine. I enjoyed how she took ownership.

I appreciate the business owners who purchase ads that make this magazine possible, as well as the sales representatives, managing editor, proofreaders, publisher, general manager, billing manager, photographers and graphic designers. In addition, every month, extra copies are kept at the Mansfield library. There are a lot of people who make this magazine happen. I also value our readers because we couldn't exist without you. We're all better off working together. We rely on one another. Thank you for the part you play, Team Mansfield!

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Dee Elliott moved to Mansfield when he was 10 years old, and he grew up here. He attended Erma Nash, which housed elementary school students to eighth grade. While being present at school daily, Dee was thrilled to accept the principal's offer to sweep the cafeteria floors in exchange for a "free school lunch." His principal, Mr. Harmon, also gave him a job filling up the vending machines, and this allowed him to earn money. In 1988, an elementary school was named after his principal, Glenn Mathis Harmon, and that distinguished man was known for his kindness, even after retirement, because he would bring the teachers at Glenn Harmon Elementary School red roses to encourage them.



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Dee eventually realized working offered greater satisfaction than school, so he told his mom he was going to get a job. He enjoyed working with his hands and learned more that way. Although his mom didn't like the idea, she went along with it. Besides, Dee desired to help the family. (He had five brothers and one sister.)

On New Patterson Road, across from the Mansfield Post Office, Dee started working at the Texaco. Since everyone had to obtain gasoline, he formed many friendships. He recalled numerous customers, including Mr. Seeton, the owner of the feed store on Highway 1187. The Seeton family is now honored with a road named Seeton Rd. in Mansfield. Dee said he went to school with David Cook, but since he was a little older than him, they didn't know each other.

"Our family has been here for 40 years, and I used to bring my mother to this restaurant every Thursday for lunch," Geneva Elliott said as she and her daughter, Sherry Elliott Pruett, sat at a table in the Guadalajara Restaurant on Highway 157. They are known by name by the owner and staff of this eatery that was established at least 20 years ago.

"I came to Mansfield when I was 16," Geneva reflected. "My friend's boyfriend lived here, and his buddies were looking to meet some young ladies. My friend set up a blind date, where I met Dee. He thought I was cute, so we started dating. After a brief courtship, he asked for my hand in marriage three months later. During that time, men took care of their wives, so girls were raised to take care of their husbands, families and the house. Therefore, at 16 and 19, Dee and I got married. I took care of the kids for many years and never thought of working outside of the home."

Dee and Geneva's children grew up in Mansfield ISD. Sherry said, "I graduated in 1985 from the original Mansfield High, which is Wester Middle School now. I had my commencement services at Willie Pigg Auditorium. I remember when the Mansfield ISD lines changed during my brother's senior year, and he was given the option to go to Alvarado High School. The busses no longer came to our area, but we made sure he got to school every day. It was his senior year, and he wasn't going to another school his final year! He graduated in 1987 from Mansfield High."

"When the kids grew older, I had the opportunity to work outside the home, so I went for it," Geneva said. "I'm a very independent person, and I wanted to make my own money. So, I did. I've worked various jobs, but being a seamstress is my passion. I've been sewing since I was a little girl, and I still enjoy it. I have had a sewing business for about 30 years. I make children's clothes, blankets and placemats."

Sherry added, "I've worked for Mansfield ISD for 20 years. I currently work in food service as a manager at Mary Lillard Intermediate School."

Geneva and Sherry continued to reflect on how Mansfield has changed. "The Water Company used to be the hospital. That's where I was born," Sherry said. "Phoenix Academy used to be Erma Nash. The library used to be Winn-Dixie, and Wal-Mart wasn't off of Hwy. 287 in the '80s. Lee's Grocery Store used to be in that shopping center behind Sonic. Ray's Pharmacy was our only drug store in the whole town.



Photo courtesy of the Mansfield Historical Society.

"In my mind, I can still see when the jail had two cells and one police officer in this little bitty building. Also, in the '80s, we went to Kow Bell Rodeo for fun. I'm just a country girl, and that was the hang out! Kow Bell Rodeo is now Legacy High School. So much has changed since then," Sherry concluded.

When asked, "Would you ever move? They said, "Why? Mansfield is home. It's changed a lot, but it's still home." **NOW** 



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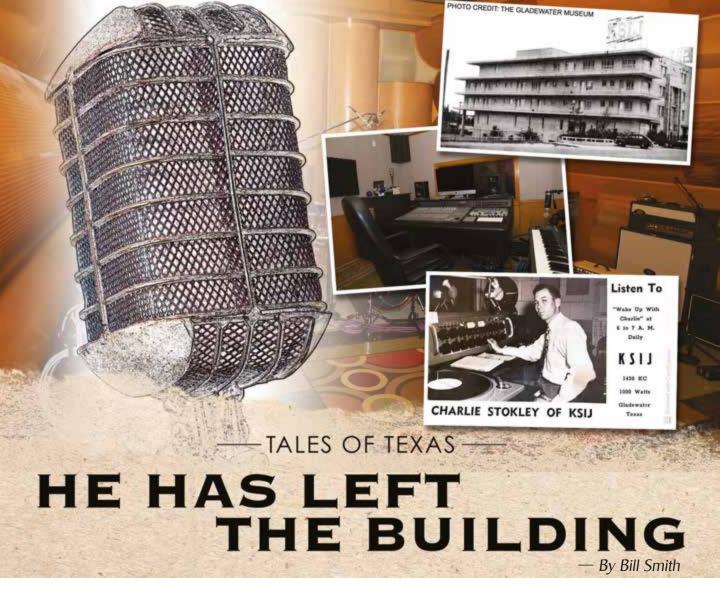












Elvis was here. And so was Johnny Cash and Jerry Lee Lewis. Jim Reeves slept here. These legendary performers and others from the days of the Louisiana Hayride and "rockabilly" music all spent some time either recording, being interviewed or even taking a nap on the couch in the lobby of the iconic KSIJ radio station in Gladewater, Texas.

The radio station and recording studio occupied the top floor of the T.W. Lee Building in Gladewater. T.W. was the owner of the *Gladewater Mirror* newspaper, and the building, constructed in about 1950, also included offices and apartments. The Texas Historical Commission describes the building as an "Art Moderne-style high-rise apartment building." The building has its original metal casement windows and wraparound cantilevered balconies with decorative iron railings. The original clock is on the façade above the entrance. The clock no longer keeps time, and stepping into the KSIJ studio, one might conclude that, at least in some ways, time has stood still.

While the exterior of the building sparks some interest about a time gone by, a visit to the former radio station on the fourth floor stirs the imagination with a type of architectural design that is seldom seen. The huge neon "KSIJ" sign that was a beacon atop the building was removed long ago. The radio station's call letters that were painted on the glass portion of the original door into the station's lobby have lost the "J," but once you pass the door, the call letters are prominently inlaid in bright red on the tile floor. In the lobby, you can imagine what the atmosphere might have been like with the room crowded with teenage admirers while Elvis performed behind the glass window separating the lobby from the studio. The Facebook page for the T.W. Lee Building indicates Elvis loved to practice in the sound studio, then stretch out on the floor and read comic books.

The vocal booth is made with the same unique acoustic walls as the main studio. Curved birch panels "barrel down the walls," as current studio owner, Chad Mauldin, describes them. "It is an amazing acoustic design from the '50s. We understand that an acoustician from UT Austin designed it. The different depths of the curves in the walls and ceiling

create diffusion that is particularly great for drums," Chad said. "Old meets new in the control room today, as modern technological workflows merge in this old historic space."

There is an etching scratched into the wall in the solo booth that appears to be a signature by Jerry Lee Lewis. The same signature that is in the solo booth is replicated on the top of the original engineer's desk that the studio retains and displays prominently in the hallway. However, the story most visitors are enamored by is that of Elvis and his first gig in this small, East Texas town.

While performing with the Louisiana Hayride in Shreveport in 1954, Elvis and his two band members at the time needed to make some money to pay for their hotel room in Shreveport and get back to Memphis, Tennessee. A representative of the Havride called his friend, Tom Perryman, a well-known DJ at KSIJ in Gladewater, and Perryman arranged a gig for Elvis at a local club just out of Gladewater, called The Mint Club. Elvis promoted the gig by singing live from the studio on Tom's radio show, The Hillbilly Hit Parade. On the website for the Gladewater Museum, or just by searching YouTube, you can find a recording of Elvis promoting the radio station with Tom. The museum also features a lounge chair Elvis used at the radio station, as well as other memorabilia from the studio.

Chad said this was at such an early stage in his career, "Elvis wasn't Elvis yet. Tom Perryman really believed in young talent." On another YouTube video, Perryman reflects that Elvis' first gig in Texas at The Mint Club grossed Elvis \$90, which he split with his two band members. Perryman was responsible for booking Elvis around East Texas for the year that followed. Apparently, Elvis and Perryman had a friendship that lasted for many years. Elvis went on to become the Elvis we all remember, and Perryman went on to become an award-winning DJ, eventually being inducted into the Disc Jockey Hall of Fame and the Country Music Hall of Fame. NOW

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### Zoomed In: By Sandra Walters Callie and Megan Thornhill

The pandemic presented difficulties for Callie and Megan Thornhill's learning styles. "I was looking for a way to complete school. My parents helped me research GED programs, but at 16, I didn't qualify unless I completed the Texas Challenge Academy," Callie said. After some consideration, she chose to enroll and flourished in the program.

Callie's younger sister, Megan, stated, "As I struggled in school, I recalled my sister's success, so I decided to attend TCA, too. I appreciated the structure while earning my GED." She enlisted at 17 with her parents' approval and recently completed her basic training. Callie and Megan's parents believe that TCA improved both of their children's perspectives.

### Around Town



Tiffany Phan performs with the orchestra during the Toys for Tots event.



Nicole Simmons and VanDella Menifee enjoy their evening at an award celebration.



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Reagan and Campbell Harvey shop with mom.



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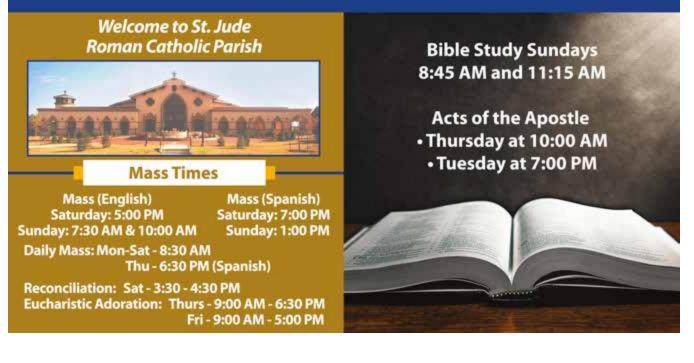


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Ann DeMoya was born and raised in New York City. She said, "My parents are from the Dominican Republic. My mom became a registered nurse, and my dad worked as a factory worker. Eventually, my mom stayed home to raise all seven of us. I watched my parents live with limitations, but I wanted more." She wasn't sure of how to obtain the dream of more. However, at the age of 19, she decided to work in the insurance industry. "I needed a job after graduation, and I



accepted that position 32 years ago on December 17, 1990. Now that's history," Ann explained.

Being an insurance agent allows Ann the lifestyle she imagined. "I began my career in New York. Then, I moved to Florida and finally to Texas in 1999. I've worked in the DFW area since that time." When asked why she has worked in the insurance industry for so long, she replied, "I love helping people. I don't care if I make a sale. I simply want to provide people with guidance, but this doesn't mean that my quote will be the best rate for them. However, I hope that they will consider working with me in the future because of my honesty and ethics. My goal is to create a long-lasting impression that compels future clients to remember how I was able to help them whether I made a sale or not. I enjoy educating individuals.

"I am bilingual. I speak Spanish and English fluently. Therefore, I can help customers understand their coverage in a variety of ways. I believe nobody can beat my customer service skills. I go above and beyond as an agent and financial representative. I inform people about the likelihood of living off of Social Security. In a rapidly changing economy, a person living on Social Security is uncertain, so it would be wise to seek professional assistance. I would be honored to share my expertise with people as I show them how to prepare for retirement," Ann said confidently.

Ann has been a resident of Mansfield since 2007. She concluded, "This area is not too city nor too country. It's just right. I love it here and would welcome the opportunity to help more customers as a local Farmers agent in my neighborhood."

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When asked why she cooks, Kim Taylor answered, "I like to eat good food. I also love to watch people eat and enjoy my cooking! Fancy cooking is not what I do. I'm a down-home, self -taught cook. My passion for cooking began when I was taking Home Economics in junior high school. This course was required of all seventh grade girls. I got hooked during the cooking semester."

Kim presently organizes a night supper once a week for her church's Ft. Worth outreach to the Handley neighborhood at the Hope Center. "We serve about 125 people — kids, adults and seniors from that area," she added. "Nothing would please me more than a whole day of cooking in my kitchen." Now

#### **Oatmeal Dinner Rolls**

2 cups water

- I cup quick-cooking oats
- 1/3 cup brown sugar
- 3 Tbsp. butter, plus extra to melt and brush over rolls
- $1 \ 1/2$  tsp. salt
- I pkg. rapid rise active dry yeast
- 1 Tbsp. sugar
- 1/3 cup warm water (110-115 F)
- 4-5 cups all-purpose flour

 Bring the water to a boil in a saucepan; add the oats. Cook for 1 minute.
 Tum the heat off; add the brown sugar, 3 Tbsp. butter and salt. Cool to room temperature.
 Place the yeast and sugar in the warm water. Stir to combine; let set until bubbly. **4.** Put the oat mixture and 4 cups of flour in a stand mixer; mix to combine. Add the yeast mixture. Continue to mix and add in the remaining flour a little at a time until the dough starts to come away from the sides of the bowl.

5. Switch to a dough hook, or turn the dough out onto a floured surface and knead by hand for approximately 5 minutes.
6. Place the dough in a lightly greased bowl; place the bowl in a slightly warm environment to double in size for about 1 hour. You'll know it's ready to form if you press your finger into the dough, and your imprint remains. Punch the dough down; form into 18 balls.

**7** Place the dough balls on a greased cookie sheet. Cover; let rise until doubled in size, about 30 minutes. Bake at 350 F

for 20-25 minutes. Remove from the oven; brush with melted butter.

#### Chicken Spaghetti

- 2 lbs. spaghetti
- 1 onion, chopped
- 3 stalks celery, chopped
- 3 cups chicken broth
- I family-size can cream of mushroom soup
- 2 1/2 lbs. Velveeta, cubed
- 1/2 cup Parmesan cheese

4 chicken breasts and 4 chicken thighs, cooked and chopped

Cheddar cheese, grated, to taste

**I.** Use a large aluminum disposable pan or 2, 9x13-inch casserole dishes. Preheat the oven to 350 F.

Boil the spaghetti in a pot; set aside.
 Place the onions and celery in the broth; cook until tender. Turn the heat to low; add the soup and Velveeta. Cook until melted and smooth.

**4.** Add the Parmesan and chopped chicken; stir well.

**5.** Drain the spaghetti; combine it with the sauce. Pour the mixture into the aluminum pan or casserole dishes; bake for approximately 45 minutes until bubbly. During the last 10 minutes, top with the grated cheese.

6. Serve with garlic bread and a salad.

#### Broccoli Nut Salad

- 2 heads broccoli, cut into small bites 6 slices bacon, crispy cooked and crumbled
- 1/4 cup red onion, finely chopped
- I cup sharp cheddar cheese, cubed
- bag salad topping that has dried cranberries and almonds or pecans
- I bottle poppyseed dressing

**I.** Put the broccoli, bacon, onions, cheese and salad topping in a bowl. Place 1/4 cup of the poppyseed dressing aside. Add the remaining poppyseed dressing to the salad a little at a time.

 Cover the salad with plastic wrap; refrigerate at least 30 minutes.
 Before serving, stir the salad; if it needs a little more dressing, add the final 1/4 cup, or place the dressing in a container for self-serve.

#### **Bacon Biscuits**

These are best eaten warm!

**Biscuits**:

- 3 cups Pioneer Baking Mix
- 2 Tbsp. sugar
- 8 slices bacon, cooked crisp and crumbled
- I cup sharp cheddar cheese, grated I cup milk

Glaze:

- 3 Tbsp. sugar 1/4 tsp. cinnamon 1 Tbsp. butter, melted
- 1 Tbsp. heavy cream

 For biscuits: Combine the baking mix, sugar, crumbled bacon, cheese and milk. Stir until all the ingredients are combined.
 Using a large spoon, drop the mixture onto a greased baking sheet. Bake at 425 F for 15 minutes.

**3.** For glaze: Combine the sugar, cinnamon, butter and heavy cream. Brush the mixture on the biscuits during the last 5 minutes of baking time.

#### **Baked Pineapple**

This is a great side dish with ham.

1 1/2 cups Ritz crackers, crushed 1 stick butter, melted

- 2 large cans pineapple tidbits, drained (Reserve the juice.)
- $1 \frac{1}{2} \text{ cups sugar}$
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 cup reserved juice
- 2 cups sharp cheddar cheese

 Preheat the oven to 350 F.
 Combine the crushed crackers and melted butter; set aside.
 Mix the pineapple, sugar, flour, reserved



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lightly brown. (This is the key to this pie.) Allow the butter to cool completely.**4.** Mix the butter, sugar, syrup and eggs until thoroughly blended; slowly pour the mixture over the pecans.

**5.** Place the pan in the hot oven; bake for approximately 45 minutes. If the edges of the crust start to get too brown, cover the top of the pie with aluminum foil. The center of the pie will be a little jiggly, but it will firm up as the pie cools completely.

juice and cheddar cheese together. Place the mixture in a 9x13-inch casserole dish; top with the cracker mixture. Bake for 30 minutes.

#### Mom's Pecan Pie

- I piecrust, uncooked I cup pecans, roughly chopped I stick butter
- I cup sugarI cup Karo Light Corn Syrup3 eggs, lightly beaten

Preheat the oven to 350 F.
 Lay the piecrust in a pie pan; crimp the edges. Spread the pecans over the bottom of the crust.

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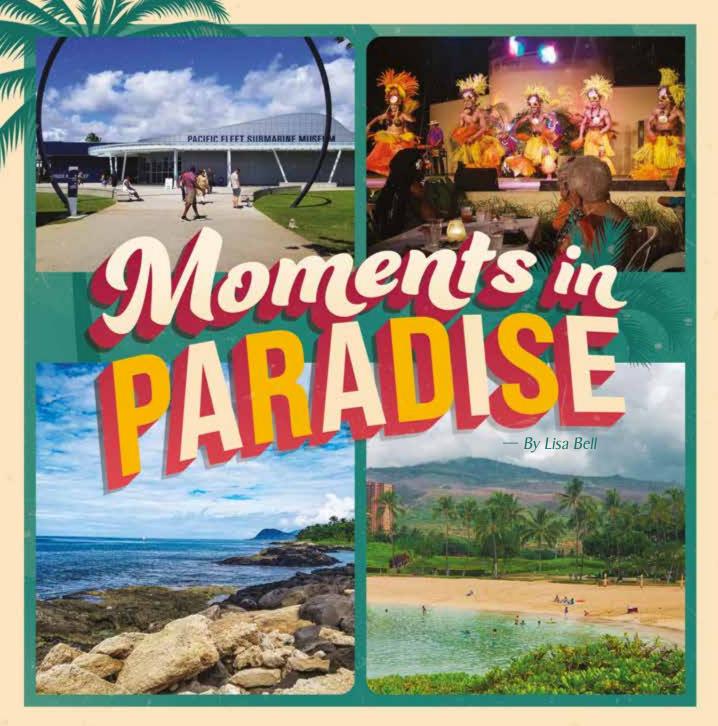
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A wonderful place to visit anytime of the year, the colder months in Texas might be the perfect time to escape to O'ahu, Hawaii. One of the big four islands, O'ahu, "The Heart of Hawaii," offers a variety of activities. Of course, lying on the beach sipping a mai tai ranks high on the list of many visitors. Whether relaxing or ready to explore, with so many options, consider taking more than a week to get plenty of beach time alongside experiencing all the island offers.

From the renowned Waikiki beach to the North Shore for surfers, O'ahu's beaches in places like Ko Olina don't disappoint. Many include lagoons where gentler waves allow for splashing in the ocean and snorkeling without having waves crash too hard. Although the beaches are public, private entities and resorts rent cabanas and chairs, and these beaches tend toward fewer crowds. For truly secluded beaches, you might need a local to point you in the right direction.

With blue water and waves crashing against rocks, don't miss the sun rising or setting from the beach, while spectacular colors fill the sky. Or hop aboard one of the many chartered boats for a romantic sunset cruise. During early mornings, you might catch an exercise class or people walking or jogging beside the ocean. To satisfy your more adventurous side, try a hike

to the iconic volcano crater,  $L\bar{e}$  ahi, or one of the tropical mountain trails.

While many people seek the Polynesian Gardens, you might also want to visit places such as the Honolulu Botanical Gardens, the Waimea Falls Park and Dole Plantation. Throughout the island, enjoy bright flora and a variety of birds, and chickens run as free as any fowl. Every Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday, the Hawaiian Railway Society Sugar Cane Train runs from Ewa to Kahe Point, with a stop at Ko Olina for those who want to purchase ice cream. The fun two-hour trip includes a bit of sugar cane history.

Be sure to plan a day at Pearl Harbor, taking several hours to tour the museums and visitor's center. As you walk through the recounted timeline, let your imagination take you to December 7, 1941. A surreal atmosphere of beauty mixed with sorrow covers Pearl Harbor, and few leave untouched by the experience.

For those who love city life, both Honolulu and Waikiki offer scores of shopping opportunities, restaurants and vibrant night life. But don't neglect the outskirts, where smaller communities provide a taste of Hawaiian cuisine and culture. And don't forget to book a luau for an unforgettable evening of food and a colorful presentation of multiple cultures and entertaining dancers.

Those who love shopping and souvenirs may want to stop by Aloha Stadium Swap Meet and Marketplace. Every Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday since 1979, families gather to share cultural diversity with pride. Over 400 vendors, crafters and artists provide a wide selection of clothing, jewelry, Hawaiian souvenirs and exclusive art. Visit with local artisans and leave with more than you expected for your money. Go early, and wear comfortable shoes.

With so much to see on O'ahu, you may not get to do everything in one trip. And that doesn't include the other seven largest islands that represent the 137 Hawaiian Islands. Plan your trip in advance, and consider taking an extra bag for the flight home.

For more information, visit www.hawaiiguide.com.

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#### Across

- 1 Mediterranean island
- 6 To be unwell
- 9 Beginning of a clarification
- 10 Trial printing impression
- 13 Priestess in "The Pearl Fishers"
- 14 Portuguese saint
- 15 Arrests
- 17 Bachelor's last words?
- 18 Went around
- 21 Warlike woman
- 23 Talk radio staple
- 24 It replaced the Pan-American Union
- 25 Diminish
- 28 Wall recess
- 31 Dogma
- 33 Oversalivate
- 34 Overused
- 35 Grp. with panda logo
- 36 Lake Placid's county

#### Down

- 1 Artillery angular measure
- 2 So be it
- 3 Metal bikini wearer
- 4 Afghanistan faction
- 5 Study critically
- 6 Computer prog
- 7 "The Ballad of --- Hayes" (Peter La
  - Farge)
- 8 "Little Women" author --- May Alcott
- 11 Ancient
- 12 Every living thing needs it
- 16 Plunder
- 19 "The Kids Are All Right" actress ---Bening
- 20 Chekhov trio
- 21 \*--- past a freckle\*
- 22 --- mule, a cocktail
- 23 Doctor Who's Amy
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- 27 Safe
- 29 Modus operandi
- 30 "Lord of the Rings" character
- 32 Country singer Ritter

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#### 1/7

#### Shred Only Day:

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#### 1/8

#### Pay-What-You-Can Workshop Series:

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#### 1/10

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#### 1/15 and 1/28

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#### 1/28

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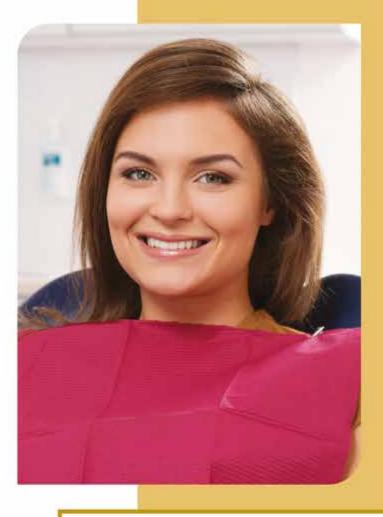
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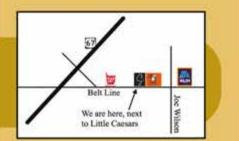


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