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Welcome winter mornings and summer afternoons!

Those among you who are newly transplanted to Texas are going to discover the truth of my greeting this month. March Madness may refer to basketball, but this is the month of indecision, weatherwise, and it is also tax preparation time, both of which can drive us all crazy. Pace yourselves and wear multiple layers of clothing to survive this month. It doesn't help that this month also contains a Friday the 13th!

Out of the mouths of babes comes some of the greatest wisdom. Recently, I was talking to my 7-year-old granddaughter. We were having a lively conversation as her mom drove down the road until she said, "May I put you on hold for just a minute?" Asking why and was there anything wrong, I received a wonderful answer, "No, Grandma, nothing's wrong. I just need a minute to think of what to say next." If all of us took a few moments more to think of what to say next, this world might be a much nicer place.

The arts thrive in Corsicana. We're so blessed to have wonderful talent that is carefully honed, in part, by the music, theater and art/craft programs in our schools and at Navarro College. Take time this spring to attend the many concerts, theater productions and art shows, and support our local talent. Most are free and open to the public. If you're feeling crafty, find a group on the NOW calendar that fits your interest. Use this spring to create beauty.

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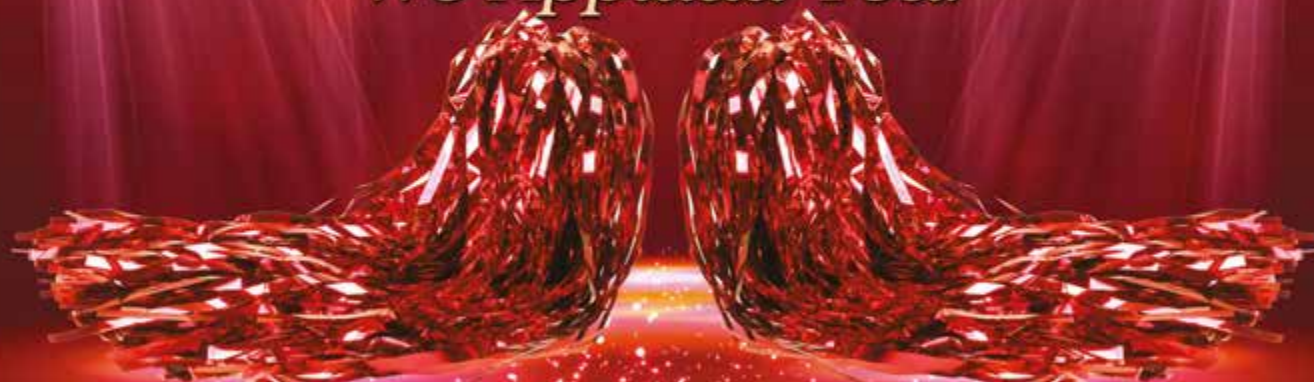
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We Can, We Did

— By Virginia Riddle





Watch Netflix's docuseries, *Cheer*, to learn what bucket toss, making mat, top girl, full out and mat talk terms mean, and be ready to smile, laugh and cry as Corsicana's very own Navarro College cheerleaders, led by Coach Monica Aldama, spend months of training, filled with trials and tribulations, leading up to their 14th NCA & NDA Collegiate National Championship. The competition was held last spring in Daytona, Florida. "The whole experience of making this docuseries has been beyond expectations," Coach Aldama revealed.

The fast-moving rollercoaster ride the team finds themselves on since the six-part *Cheer* previewed in January 2020 all began in 2017 when Coach Aldama was contacted by the producers of *Last Chance U*, a Netflix docuseries on junior college football. Greg Whitely, the director, was interested in expanding to a series on a cheer team and knew of the Navarro College team's winning tradition. "A crew came and filmed for a couple of days, visited another college and then decided to film us," Coach Aldama explained.

When production started, it was at first a little nerve-racking for team members and Coach Aldama, but everyone soon adapted to having the crew following them. "After a while, I didn't worry about hair, makeup or anything else," Coach Aldama said.

Cheerleader Morgan Simianer agreed, "There were scenes where I had bags under my eyes, and I looked raggedy, but it was an awesome once-in-a-lifetime experience. We're used to having cameras on us during competitions, but we learned so much about what goes on behind the scenes."

The action takes place around

Corsicana and the college campus with interviews from Corsicana town folks, giving this reality documentary a feeling of small-town community. But it's the previously little-known cheer community built around the 40-student team members and staff and the work that must be done to compete, while literally "flying" during their 2-minute, 15-second competition presentation that draws the viewer in. All of this takes place while studying, performing at community and school events and handling a multitude of personal challenges — from overcoming poverty and sexual abuse to parental neglect, tragic losses and injuries. Many of the cheer team members also participate on the weekends with All-Star teams in Dallas.



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The team and individual students' compelling stories have attracted the attention of producers from *Ellen*, *The Today Show*, *Hoda & Jenna* and the *Tamron Hall Show*, necessitating trips to New York City and Los Angeles for appearances. Publications, such as *Essence Magazine* and *O, The Oprah Magazine*, wanted interviews and photo shoots. "We met people from *Vogue Magazine* in the beautiful Condé Nast Building," Coach Aldama said.

Morgan remembered meeting lots of celebrities at a Grammy Awards free celebration the team attended. "It's been surreal and crazy," she said. "So many opportunities are opening from this experience." A third-year sociology major, Morgan plans to attend a university while looking into modeling and acting jobs.

Jerry Harris, a cheerleader and specialist in encouraging "mat talk," will graduate with an associate degree in kinesiology in May. He's excited about the opportunities knocking at his door,



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but long-term he is looking at being a cheer coach. "We've met Wanda Sykes and J.J. Watt!" he exclaimed.

Keeping up with studies and handling injuries, especially at this competitive level, is challenging. "I use ice, rest and elevate injuries as much as possible," Jerry offered. The availability of online classes enables these student athletes to compete and keep on track with their degree plans.

"I listen to our trainers and have learned my body's limits," Morgan said. "I must be very good at time management, since I'm invested in family and friends, so I try to work a week ahead."

"We have a required study hall in the library team members attend if their grades fall below a B," Coach Aldama explained. "That's an incentive to do well."

Handling the many calls and the team's public relations schedule is Stacie Sipes, Navarro College's director of marketing and public information. "I've learned that PR is different in 2020 than when I was in school, but we're all enjoying this fast 'ride,'" Ms. Sipes said.

Preparation started last fall for the national competition, which will be held April 9-10, 2020, so Coach Aldama is confident the team will be ready to follow through on their chant, "We Can, We Will, We Must, We Did It!" This team aims, once again, to take their celebratory dip in the Atlantic Ocean. **NOW**

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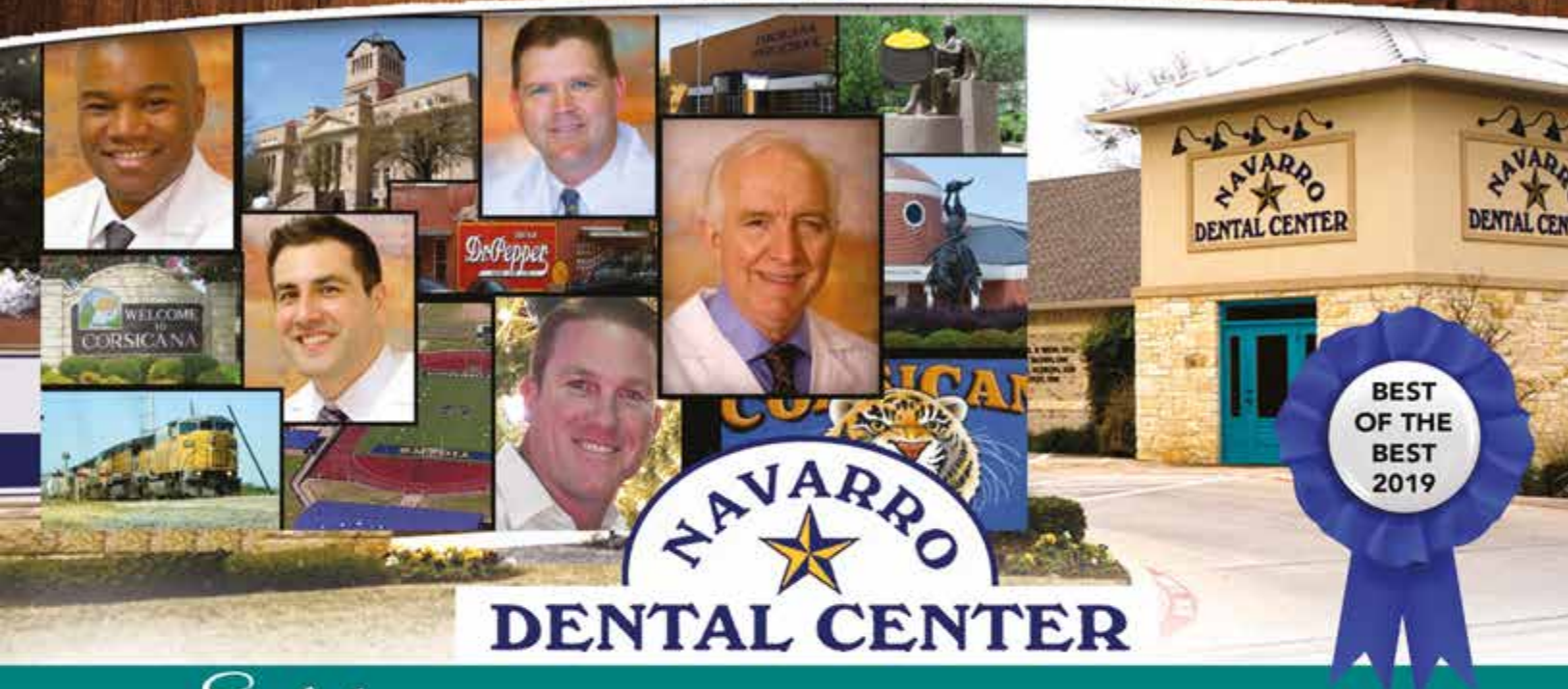
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BATTERS UP!

— By Virginia Riddle

The crack of bats, the slap of balls hitting leather mitts, the smell of newly mowed grass and the crowd in the stands roaring their excitement — it must be baseball season again! From makeshift sandlots to gloriously built stadiums, the stats will start adding up, but for Corsicana High School's baseball program and Coach Heath Autrey, the wins don't all happen on a baseball field.

"We have the opportunity to spend time with other people's kids and see them mature into young men," Coach Autrey explained. "Everyone in our families are invested in baseball, and our team has the opportunity to make an impact on our community. Winning is a byproduct."

Cade Johnson, a senior centerfielder; Lane Fuentes, a senior shortstop; Hunter Autrey, a junior first baseman; and Kolby Kinkade, a junior pitcher, agree. While the run to state was exciting last year, these players are also making memories serving their community as a team. The Corsicana Animal Shelter, Frisco's Keeper of the Game and an area toy drive have received their attention, and the team has volunteered at Brookdale Senior Living during its game night and open house trick-or-treat. "Every Thanksgiving season, each player writes a letter of gratitude to an influencer in their life," Coach Autrey said.

Scholastics are also important. All four team members plan on attending college and continuing to play baseball. Cade's goal has been achieved. He will attend East Texas Baptist University as a business major next year. Kolby is currently ranked second in his class and plans to major in engineering. Hunter has recently committed to play at the University of Oklahoma.

"We have a team mission statement: We're developing young men that are eager and willing to lead and serve within the community," Coach Autrey explained. "Every year's baseball team goal is to maintain a 3.5-plus GPA. Baseball is an extension of the classroom."

Not surprisingly, all four of these young men have put in their time already preparing for success on the diamond by participating in Little League from the time they were eligible. Select team, UIL and city team participation has also helped hone their playing skills. However, success is sometimes fleeting, so they have learned to compete well but also handle defeat. "Every game is challenging, especially in our district," Cade explained, "and baseball is a game of failure."

Kolby agreed, "Any of the teams we play can come out and win on any day."

Playing against challenging teams helps heighten the enjoyment for these team members. "It's the teamwork atmosphere and seeing all the people who come to support us that I like," Cade said. "It's unselfish — nobody cares who gets the credit."

"There's a family side to baseball," Lane added. "But we're hard heads. Losing isn't in the cards."

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Memorable moments from last season will help build success this spring. For Cade, it was his RBI in the state game. "I was feeling every emotion." And for Kolby that moment came when he struck out a player, and the stadium went wild.

"My most memorable moment came when I turned a single into a double play in our game against Frisco," Lane said.

For Hunter Autrey, Coach Autrey's oldest son, the memorable moment came in getting the game-winning hit in the game that sent the team to state for the first time since 1958. Hunter's family consists of five siblings, his parents and





grandparents, as well as his teammates. "Challenges in baseball can hit you in a moment, but I love the competition," he said. "Family keeps me coming back with a lot of confidence and hard work."

It was during the playoffs last year that Coach Autrey's throat started bothering him. When his tonsils were removed after the playoffs ended, cancer was found. "My focus had to remain on the team, but our community's support was overwhelming with food, gift and gas cards and drivers to transport me to Dallas for treatments," he said. "It was comforting and humbling — just beyond phenomenal. Whitney and I are beyond grateful."

For this coach, there were many memorable moments last season. "Just seeing the excitement on the kids' faces as we advanced, and experiencing my son getting the game-winning hit that sent us to state was wonderful. I had tears in my eyes," Coach Autrey recalled. "Whitney came out on the field, and my entire family was there." In his eight years at CHS, he's won 202 games, lost 62 and has had 21 kids go on to play college ball. Coach Autrey celebrated his 300th coaching win last season against Cleburne.

The "eternal lessons" taught through baseball are most important to Coach Autrey. "I'm passing on what my mentors and coaches taught me," he explained. "Baseball and life are the same. The game's an opportunity to teach perseverance, how to build relationships, serve and love, and, in the end, become better sons, fathers and grandfathers." **NOW**





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Always looking toward new trends, Rodney and Beverly are opening an Airbnb RV park that features a pastoral view. "We've been members of Corsicana and Navarro County Chamber of Commerce, the Texas Wine and Grape Growers Association (TWGGA) and GO TEXAN. We're excited to announce we've recently joined Harvest Hosts," Beverly said.

Both she and Rodney are employed by American Airlines, Beverly as a flight attendant and Rodney as a pilot. "It takes a great staff to do this," Beverly explained. "Through TWGGA conferences, we've learned aspects of the winery business, and Rodney, an Air Force Academy graduate, researches and studies winemaking. We try to grow as organically as possible, making our wines very low in sulfites. People in the industry have been very helpful and want to see us succeed." Beverly gained her business sense from experience in the insurance world.

The winery's name is a tribute to Angelita Spahn, Rodney's mother, whose belief in herself and determination to realize her dreams inspired the couple to do the same when they looked at options for how to best use their Navarro County land. Angelita left her New Mexico village, married Rodney's father and traveled overseas while raising her family. She earned her GED, entered nursing school and became a nurse at 42. Angelita's name on the winery honors her resiliency, as she shared the strength and hardiness for which grape vines are renowned. Beverly noted, "We love staying busy while creating and sharing great wine. It's a joy to meet people and make new friends." **NOW**



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Zoomed In: Aaron Orsak

By Virginia Riddle

Corsicana native and son of Charles and Lana Orsak, Aaron Orsak saw a good portion of the world before returning to his roots. A stint at The University of Texas at Austin, then life in California; London, England; and Tokyo, Japan, led Aaron to appreciate other cultures and his own. "I love the small-town quietness of Corsicana and am enjoying being part of the resurgence of the downtown arts community," he remarked. Aaron, owner of Shred Shed and Velas studios, teaches guitar lessons and is a music producer and audio engineer.

With an English literature background, Aaron loves reading good books and writing music in his spare time. He volunteers as a Hull Creative Arts Foundation board member.



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CookingNOW *In the Kitchen With* BEVERLY WEATHERALL

— By Lindsay L. Allen

When Beverly Weatherall is in the kitchen, it becomes her escape and creative outlet. As the owner of Superior Care Family Funeral Services, she uses the kitchen as a source of relaxation and said, “Here recently, I have had a lot of fun experimenting with fruits and vegetables, especially since I just started exploring vegan recipes.”

Beverly was taught basic cooking skills by her mother, but “in the latter years, I have taught myself different techniques,” she pointed out. She loves cooking for her family and looks forward to the holidays when the ladies in the family cook together to feed everyone.

When she isn’t in the kitchen, Beverly enjoys traveling to new places. She especially enjoys lying on a beach. **NOW**

Vegan Braised Collard Greens

4 qts. water
3 bunches collard greens, cleaned
2 vegetable bouillon cubes
1 tsp. kosher salt (optional)
1 tsp. black pepper
1/2 tsp. garlic powder
1/2 tsp. smoked paprika
1/2 tsp. Cajun seasoning
1/4 cup sugar

1/2 tsp. onion powder
10 cloves garlic (approximately)
1/2 cup olive oil
4-6 cups fresh cabbage, chopped

1. Add the water to a pot; bring to a boil. Add all ingredients, except for the oil and cabbage, to the pot of boiling water. Cook until the greens are tender.
2. Add the oil and the cabbage; cook until the cabbage is softened.

Garlic Smoked Asparagus

2 lbs. asparagus
4 cloves garlic, finely minced
1 1/2 Tbsp. salt
1 1/2 Tbsp. black pepper
2 Tbsp. olive oil

1. Clean the asparagus by washing it thoroughly; snap off the woody ends.
2. Toss the garlic with the asparagus; add salt, pepper and olive oil. Coat each stalk of asparagus evenly.
3. Place the asparagus on the grill. Put it on the “cool” side of the grill, so it can cook without burning. Never let the flames touch the asparagus.
4. Cook about 4 minutes, until the asparagus is bright green and tender.

Vegan Honey Butter Cornbread

This recipe can be made in either a muffin tin or skillet.

1 cup all-purpose flour
1 cup cornmeal
1 cup sugar

- 2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 3/4 cup melted vegan butter
- 1 1/2 cups pea milk, or other non-dairy milk (approximately)
- 2 Tbsp. Bee Free Honee
- 2 Tbsp. vegan butter

1. Preheat the oven to 350 F. In a large bowl, combine the first 7 ingredients together until smooth.
2. Some days 1 1/2 cups of non-dairy milk isn't enough, and some days it's too much. Start with about 1 cup, and add more as needed.
3. Once the mixture is smooth, pour it into a cast-iron skillet; bake until golden brown and the center is set, about 20-23 minutes.
4. While the cornbread is baking, melt together the honey and vegan butter. Once the cornbread is done, pour the honey butter mixture over the cornbread; enjoy. *Note:* It will cut easier when cooled

Lemon Garlic Pasta With Broccolini and Crispy Scallops

Scallops:

- Oil, for frying
- 3/4 lb. fresh scallops
- 1 tsp. Old Bay Seasoning
- 1 good pinch kosher salt
- 1 cup all-purpose flour

Pasta:

- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 2 Tbsp. vegan butter
- 5 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tsp. kosher salt
- 3/4 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/2 tsp. black pepper
- 1 tsp. dried basil
- 1/4 cup lemon juice, freshly squeezed
- 1 cup broccolini, cooked and cut into pieces
- 3/4 lb. angel hair pasta, cooked per pkg. directions, reserving 1/2 cup pasta water

Lemon slices, to taste

1. *For scallops:* Preheat the oil in a skillet.
2. In a large bowl, add the scallops, Old Bay seasoning and the salt; combine well.
3. Add the flour; toss to evenly coat.
4. Shake off the excess flour. Fry the scallops in the hot oil until golden brown; drain.
5. *For pasta:* In a large skillet, heat the olive oil and butter together until melted.
6. Add garlic, salt, garlic powder, black pepper and dried basil. Cook for a few minutes, until fragrant.
7. Add in the lemon juice, broccolini and pasta; mix well.



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8. If the mixture is dry, add pasta water until desired consistency is reached. Garnish with the lemon slices.

Spicy Tortilla Soup

1 cup onion, chopped
1 cup fennel, chopped
4 cloves garlic, chopped
3 Tbsp. olive oil
1 Tbsp. kosher salt
1 Tbsp. black pepper
2 Tbsp. tomato paste
1 tsp. fresh thyme
1 tsp. dried oregano
1 tsp. cumin

1/2 tsp. onion powder
1 tsp. hot chili powder
10 cups vegetable stock
1 10.5-oz. can stewed tomatoes
2 medium zucchini, diced

Toppings:

Sliced radishes, to taste
Baked tortilla chips, to taste
Fresh cilantro, to taste
Guacamole, to taste
Sour cream, to taste

1. In a large pot, sauté the onion, fennel and garlic in olive oil over medium heat for about 3 minutes.
2. Add salt, pepper, tomato paste, thyme, oregano, cumin, onion powder and chili powder; stir often. Cook for another 3-4 minutes, so the flavors can bloom and marry.
3. Add the vegetable stock; cook on medium heat for 20 minutes.
4. Add the stewed tomatoes and zucchini. Cook for another 5 minutes.
5. Add toppings; serve warm.

Mexican White Chicken Chili

1 Tbsp. olive oil
2 large chicken breasts, cut into bite-size pieces

2 cups chicken stock
10 cloves garlic, minced
1 cup onion, chopped
1 cup bell pepper, chopped
1 Tbsp. cumin
1 Tbsp. coriander
1 tsp. chili powder
1/2 tsp. onion powder
1/2 tsp. dried oregano
1 Tbsp. kosher salt
1/2 Tbsp. black pepper
1 cup heavy cream
8 oz. cream cheese

Garnishes:

Sliced radishes, to taste
Sliced avocado, to taste
Diced tomatoes, to taste
Shredded cheese, to taste
Sour cream, to taste

1. Heat a large pot on the stove. Add oil; cook the chicken.
2. Add the chicken stock, garlic, onion, bell pepper, cumin, coriander, chili powder, onion powder, oregano, salt and pepper.
3. Once the vegetables are tender, add the heavy cream and cream cheese; simmer for 20 minutes, or until the soup has a nice creamy consistency.
4. Serve in bowls; top with chosen garnishes.



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Warp, shuttle, friction brake — sounds like a story about space and astronauts, but Patty Jones knows those terms mean something more because she's a weaver who creates treasures on her looms. "It was a thrill setting up my own loom and making my first project," Patty explained. "I'm bashful and quiet, but through weaving I enjoy meeting people."

Having been raised in part near Dublin, Texas, on her family's peanut and dairy farm, Patty developed a love not only of crafting but also of animals. Now retired, she has time to explore new crafts and raise animals on the Navarro County acreage where she and her husband, James Thompson, have lived for 35 years.



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— By Virginia Riddle



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The couple met and worked in various Dallas financial institutions, often at the same place. "He asked me if I wanted to go on a honeymoon cruise or buy land," Patty recalled. "We had our wedding by our tank and gathered wildflowers for my bouquet.

"I've always liked artsy stuff. Everyone was doing macramé when I was in high school," Patty remembered. "My freshman year, I used a table loom. My sister and I made jewelry, and I sew, spin and crochet, but I also drove a tractor by age 10, and my first horse was a mustang." She raised paint horses, "rode" barrels and was a member of a local quarter horse club and the American Paint Horse Association. "These days, my one horse is pretty yard art and best friends with the calf in the pasture," Patty quipped.

Joining those animals are 12 sheep — raised for meat, not wool — and Alma, the alpaca-llama mix, "who thinks she's a sheep." Alma supplies Patty with fleece to try spinning. "I hand-raised Alma, so she's a pet that gets clipped with scissors every May or June," Patty explained. Great Pyrenees dogs, some cats, two hens and even a peacock that wandered up one day complete the menagerie.

"During one local fair, I made a mug from supplies set out, so I signed up for classes and ordered a Baby Wolf loom," she said. "I'm still learning more and practicing my spinning. I also took a class in carding and washing fleece."

Two looms now occupy Patty's loft workspace. "I traded a woven piece for a ridged heddle loom," Patty explained. Her woven creations include many shawls, scarves, kitchen towels and





double-weave blankets. "I like doing different patterns and warping each project differently," she said.

James and Patty share cutting duties when she gets ready to make rugs out of upcycled old socks and blue jeans cut into strips for weaving. Her creations are gifts to friends and family. "Everyone's gotten something, including college kids in my family," she added. "I want to eventually make horse blankets out of the wool and cotton I've been saving for years."

Her family mostly lives in Texas, and a cousin shares Patty's love of weaving. "Weaving has been described as hard and expensive, but I like the way I learned," Patty remarked. "Looms get expensive, but there are inexpensive choices in yarn and fleece. Wool and silk are expensive, but I started with cotton and acrylic in case I messed up."

Patty is a member of the Navarro Fiber Friends. "I would love to teach and share my knowledge," she said. "I want to know more but use what I already know to help others enjoy weaving."

She finds the most challenging part of weaving is getting the warp lined up on the loom. "I like to make big things!" she shared. The challenge is worth the gift created and given. "It's not a gift card. I like hearing, 'I want that,' and being able to give people the pleasure of having it," Patty added.

New home projects, such as building a deck and outdoor kitchen, gardening and volunteering with an animal shelter, occupy Patty's time, but on clear nights, she and James find their rooftop deck relaxing as they observe their land and the sky above. "I love quiet country living," she concluded. "Our dark sky allows us to end our day watching the stars and meteor showers." **NOW**



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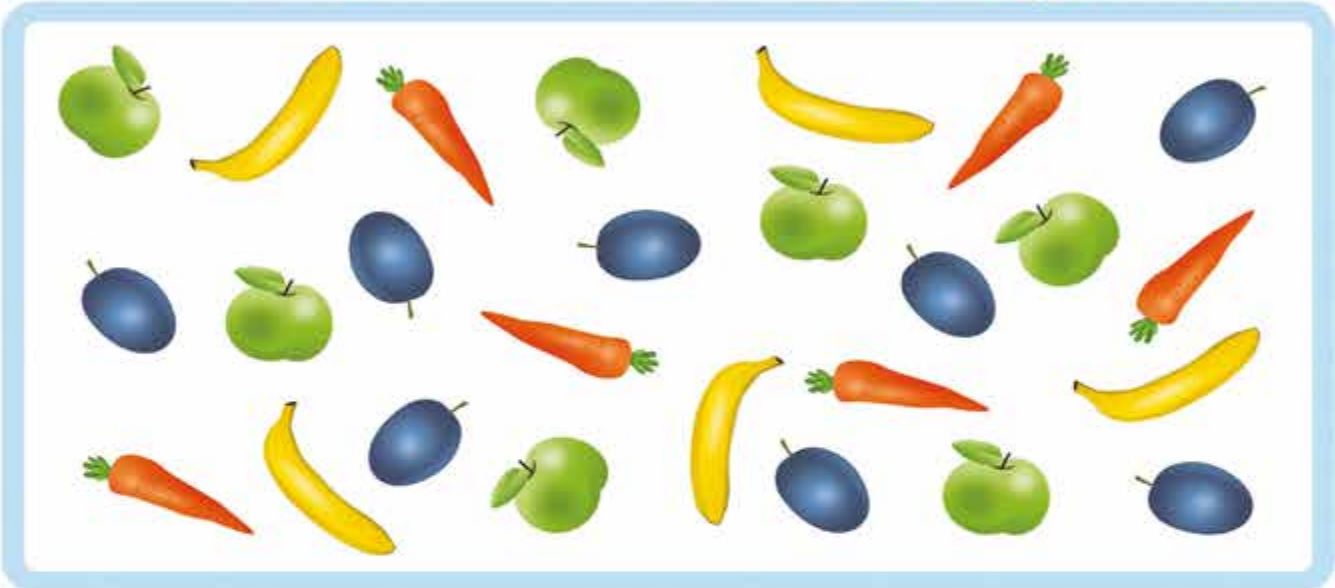
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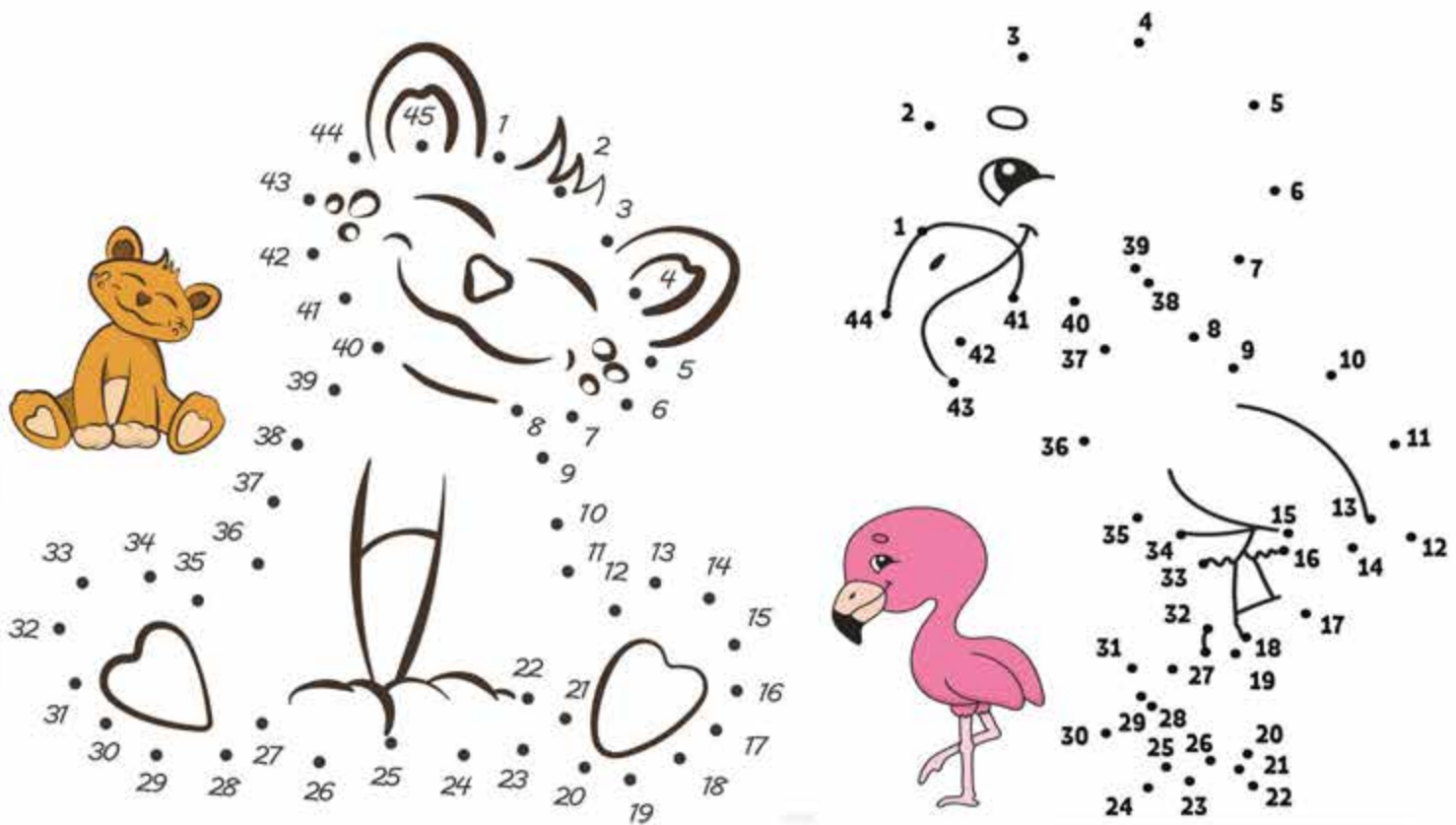


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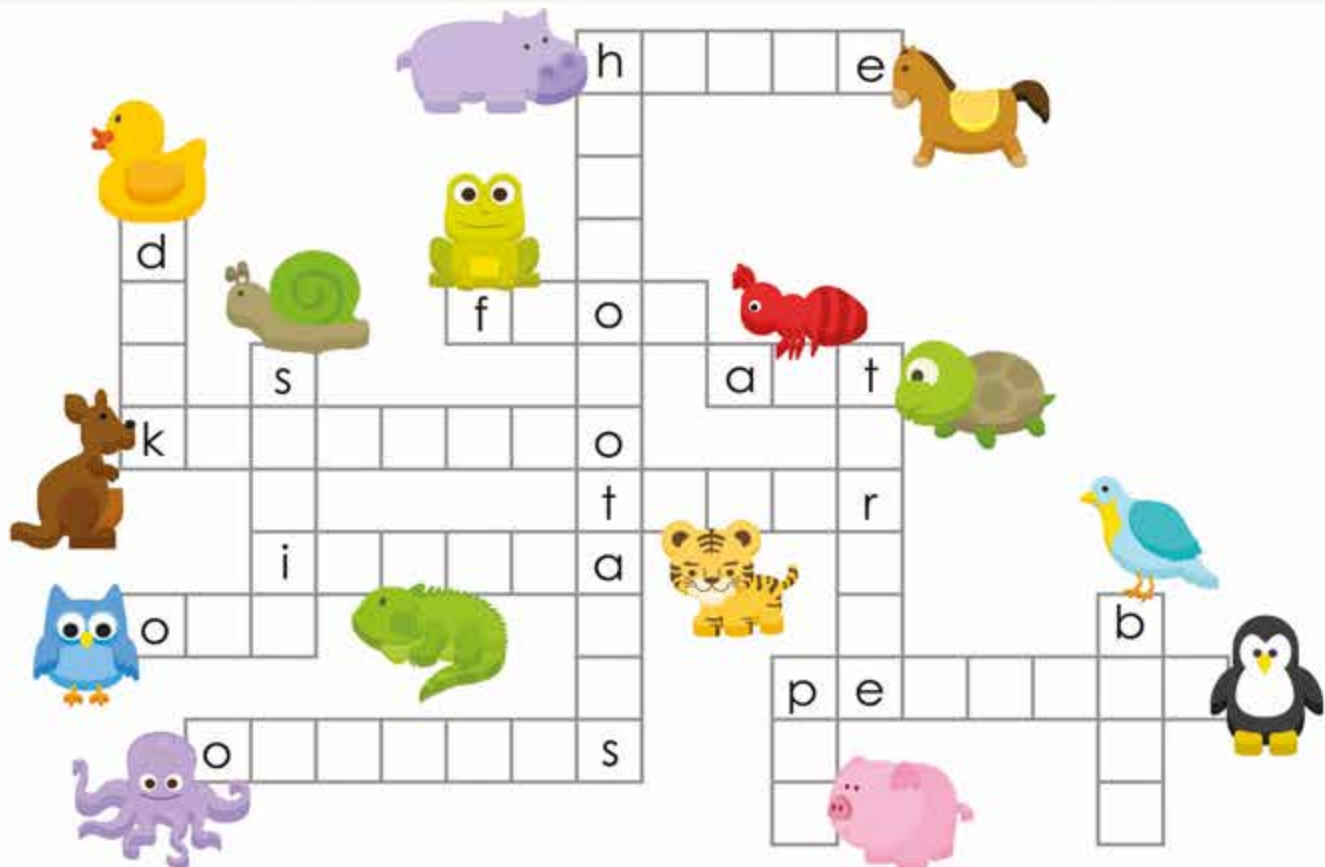


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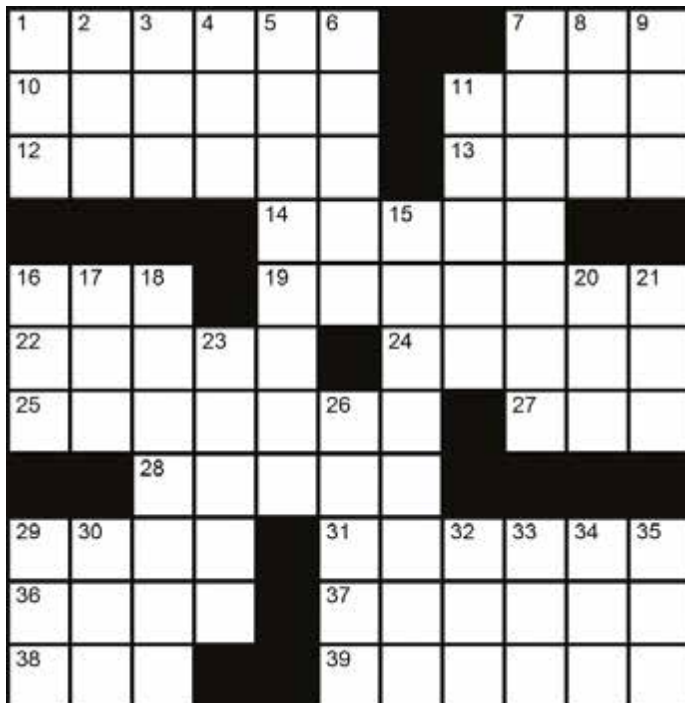
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- 7 Convert hide into leather
- 10 Stimulating drink
- 11 Harbor
- 12 Quaint love letter opener
- 13 Creep
- 14 Frothy concoctions
- 16 LA summer setting
- 19 Holy threesome
- 22 Get-well treatment
- 24 Salk's conquest
- 25 Type of show, such as Anne Hathaway's "Grounded"
- 27 Hill VIP
- 28 Same here!
- 29 Well-informed about
- 31 Alters formally
- 36 Niagara has a Maid of this
- 37 Tempestuous
- 38 Big Apple aria spot
- 39 Pull into

Down

- 1 Rocket interceptor
- 2 Sardonic
- 3 Suckered
- 4 Apply a cake's top layer
- 5 Tiniest amount
- 6 Mistake
- 7 Oft-removed throat tissues
- 8 Curve
- 9 Ulmost
- 11 It has 88 keys when full-size
- 15 Old Dodge
- 16 In favor of
- 17 Lair
- 18 Beyond all others
- 20 Railroad cross-member
- 21 Way over there, poetically
- 23 Representative
- 26 Bellows
- 29 Now let me think ...
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3/5

Beatlemania 64: The Palace Theatre.

(903) 874-7792.

3/6

First Responders

Appreciation Breakfast: This is a free breakfast to all first responders. \$25 per person for all other guests. 6:30-8:00 a.m., MLK Community Center, 1114 6th Avenue. (903) 874-4731.

3/16

Corsicana Art League New Member Party:

Come join the league! 6:00 p.m., Warehouse Theatre Arts Center. For more information, contact margietaylor@airmail.net.

3/21

Hull Creative Arts Foundation's Casino Night:

Enjoy casino games and prizes. Proceeds fund area students' college scholarships. \$50 per

person. 6:30 p.m., Corsicana Country Club. www.hullcreativearts.com.

3/22-3/29

Navarro County Youth Expo:

Navarro County Exposition Center. www.navarroexpoctr.com.

3/26

Corsicana Newcomers' Club Luncheon:

11:00 a.m., Kinsloe House. (714) 345-6707 for confirmed reservations by 3/20.

Corsicana & Navarro County Chamber's Business After Hours:

5:32-7:02 p.m., Community Services, Inc., 301 Hospital Dr. (903) 874-4731.

Tapestry, the Carol King Songbook: 7:30 p.m., The Palace Theatre. (903) 874-7792.

3/31

Corsicana & Navarro County Chamber's Business After Hours:

5:32-7:02 p.m., Blossoms Flora, 1503 W. 2nd. Ave. (903) 874-4731.

April 2-June 30

Navarro County's Loughridge Family Civil War Experiences Exhibit:

Museum Hours: Monday-Friday: 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; **Saturday:** noon-4:00 p.m., Pearce Museum, Cook Education Center, Navarro College. For more information, call (903) 875-7642.

First Mondays

Art for the Rest of Us:

6:00 p.m., Corsicana Public Library. (903) 654-4810.

Second Mondays

Savvy Seniors Meetup:

11:30 a.m., Corsicana Senior Center. For details, contact Jennifer Tatum, jtatum@traditionshealth.com.

Post 22 American Legion:

5:30 p.m., 632 N. Beaton. (903) 874-3938.

Eclectic Readers Book Club:

March's read is *Then She Was Gone* by Lisa Jewell. 6:30 p.m., Corsicana Public Library. (903) 654-4810.

Fourth Mondays

Stitch Together:

6:00 p.m., Corsicana Public Library. (903) 654-4810.

Second Tuesdays

National Active and Retired Federal Employees Chapter 1191 Meeting:

11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., rotating

locations between Waxahachie, the Sirloin Stockade in Corsicana and Ennis. For more information, call (972) 775-2463.

American Business

Women's Association:

11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Cook Education Center. Dana Collins, (903) 851-2965.

Second and Fourth Tuesdays

Corsicana Rainbow Girls/ Pledge Group Meeting:

6:30 p.m., Corsicana Masonic Lodge. 201 N. 15th Street, Corsicana. (903) 879-4305 or ddean45@hotmail.com.

Third Tuesdays

Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 1009 Meeting:

7:00 p.m., Sirloin Stockade. roymessick@gmail.com.

Wednesdays

Storytime:

10:30 a.m., Corsicana Public Library. For more information, call (903) 654-4810.

First Wednesdays

Potluck Luncheon:

Hosted by the Eureka, Mildred, Navarro and Richland Chambers Lake Crime Watch: 1:00 p.m., Eureka Methodist Church. pk2@airmail.net.



3/21-3/22

Tour of Corsicana Bike Stage Race:

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Second Thursdays

Friends of the Library:

9:00 a.m., Corsicana Public Library. (903) 654-4810.

Navarro County Christian Singles Worship Service:

7:00-8:00 p.m., Corsicana Opry. www.corsicanaopry.com.

First Fridays

Senior Circle Potluck:

11:30 a.m., Navarro Regional Hospital Classrooms. amy.roberts@navarrohospital.com.

Second Fridays

Navarro County Retired Teachers Association Meeting:

9:45 a.m., Northwest Apartments Community Center. For details, email lkjroe@gmail.com.

Third Fridays

Manna From Above Community Food Pantry and Farmers Market:

9:00 a.m.-Noon, Dawson Housing Authority. For more details, email jtatum@traditionshhealth.com.

Better Gardens Club Meeting:

9:00 a.m., Corsicana First UMC. For more details, email tdscruggs@att.net.

Second Saturdays

Angels of Corsicana Troop Support Packing Day:

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Coyote Squadron Meeting:

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Third Saturdays

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