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Spring is springing forth!

My gardens and pastures are flowering and attracting the birds and bees. We're all enjoying the increasingly longer days and warmer weather. Spring is such a refreshing time of year.

Refreshing also is a conversation and reflection with my 7-year-old granddaughter. While she read a Bible storybook as we drove downtown to church one early Sunday morning, Sophie asked, "How long did it take God to create everything?" Happily thinking I had this answer at the ready, I conveyed the standard thought of six days and on the seventh day He rested. "It had to be longer than that," she replied. "It's taking three long chapters in this book to tell about it!" Oh boy, theology according to a kid! I can't wait to get her take on Easter this month.

As with my kids and now, more importantly, with my grandchildren, I teach the old-school skills that still work when electronics don't. Don't get me wrong. For instance, I love receiving my point-to-point directions through my SUV's 4G Internet connection, but sometimes, the old paper map-reading skills come in handy. In turn, each of the six grands find it fascinating to learn how we did it "in the olden days"!

Curiosity and the thrill of wanderlust has taken my family members far, starting with my paternal grandmother who traveled throughout North and Central America. I've inherited her collection of demitasse teacups, matching saucers and tiny spoons — all acquired from places she explored. Such a treasure of memories made. May curiosity continue to guide my grands!

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At Home With Don and Linda Hudson



Nature's Inspiration

— By Virginia Riddle

There are colorful cannas in Corsicana — especially in Don and Linda Hudson's beautifully designed double-sized city lot of outdoor living spaces. Winding rock, brick and gravel paths lead to peaceful sitting areas and a cabin, pool, dining patio, greenhouses and potting shed designed by Linda and created by Don, with help from Linda and a Dallas craftsman. This couple's gardening partnership works well. "Don works today, while I plan for tomorrow," Linda explained.



Don added, "Linda wants it, and we build it. I trust her vision and do the diggin'."

Linda retired from nursing the year before Don retired after 45 years in law enforcement. His twin brother, James Hudson, also a longtime peace officer, lives nearby. Don and Linda grew up in the Mexia-Groesbeck area and met through Linda's best friend, then discovered they have a mutual cousin-by-marriage. Their daughter, one grandson and Linda's mother still live in Limestone County.

"God blessed us both," Linda said. "I was in junior high, and Don was in high school when we met. We dated in a '56 Chevy. We basically all grew up together, and James is like a brother to me."

Growing up in a farming family, Linda was a gardener by necessity, and she wanted to return to her "roots" by getting her hands back in the soil. "We've lived here for 26 years, but it wasn't until we retired that we really got busy in the yard," she said.

Gardening is a year-round, almost daily venture for them and something they can enjoy together along with their parakeets, dogs — Maggie, Lilly, Maci, Rosie and Bebe — and African grey parrot, Rudie. "The dogs and parrot love being with us during garden times. Don's space is his storage building and compost bin," Linda said. "My space is the craft cottage and potting shed."

Found in the garden most days, time management has become challenging, even in retirement, as the garden has grown. So, the couple applies a division of labor that has worked throughout their marriage. "We started working right after graduating, so we split household duties 50-50. I'm the procrastinator, and Don's the doer," Linda admitted.



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By the third year of gardening together, maintenance started taking precedence. "We work it daily, section by section. I put a podcast on and am in another world," Don said. Linda loves to listen to nature and classical music while gardening.

"So many flowers have special meaning through their color or the type," Linda said. "I started gardening with African violets from my mom. Don's flower of the month is larkspur. People stop and ask about them since larkspur is an old type of flower. I love the summer 'flocks,' phlox and irises, of which I've ordered some new and unusual colors. Ferns are great because of their soft, soothing, fantasy feeling. My dad's favorite flowers were zinnias, so I see my dad in the zinnias." In season, roses, daylilies, hibiscus and geraniums join other floral selections that surround the pond and fountain features filled with water lilies.

Last fall, Linda planted more than 400 "daffys" for spring color. "This year, the same species of birds flocked to the feeders, and we had so many hummers, bees and butterflies last year. The birds were crazy over a big orange sunflower that came up accidentally, so I'm planting more Mexican sunflowers," Linda explained.

The couple plants by seeds, bulbs and purchases of plants on clearance racks. "A friend told me to give plants what they like, and then they do the work," Linda added. About 90 percent of their flowers are perennial friends that return each year faithfully. She gets many of her ideas from gardening magazines, library books and the Internet.

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However, flowers are not the only plants in this cityscape. Dinner on the tiled, covered patio under the ceiling fan's breeze might include homegrown veggies such as tomatoes and squash varieties. Don and Linda are part of a trend. According to the National Gardening Association, about 35 percent of American households grow some food, and millennials are the fastest-growing demographic of this farm-to-table movement.

The garden leads folks to stop and visit with Don and Linda, and those passing by slow down. "We enjoy meeting people through the sharing of our garden," Linda said. "Our advice to people who want to garden is to be ready to put in a lot of physical exertion and sweat. Having a love of nature is essential. Even though I learned from my dad, I'm still learning, but I feel more confident as the years go by."

Comfortably close to family, Don and Linda like life in Corsicana and cite the dining, shopping, schools and their church as positives. "We have Warehouse tickets and love the culture and arts. There are so many talented people here," Linda said. Together, the couple enjoys visiting cemeteries and researching genealogy, and Linda gets her crafting "fix" in her cabin.

When asked what he enjoys about gardening, Don replied, "I like to watch the squirrels' acrobatics and love spending time with my wife. I'm enjoying retirement, and she won't let me stop for a sandwich until I finish."

Whether lunching on the patio, "sittin' a spell" by a restful and shaded bubbling fountain or enjoying a rocking-chair visit in the evening, Don and Linda live for and in their garden haven. Linda summed up her life in their cityscape heaven on earth, "I can sit outside having coffee on the cabin's front porch, listening to the birds, watching nature at work and pretend I'm back in the country." **NOW**



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Navarro College Head Soccer Coach Alicia Wilson's soccer career belies her age. She coaches Navarro's women's program, is a volunteer assistant coach for the Jamaican National Women's Team and has played professional and semi-professional soccer. Even so, soccer was not her initial sport of choice as a teenager.



VAL

— By Bill Smith

"I didn't start playing soccer until I was 16. My interests were in track and field and netball," she shared.

Netball, a sport very popular in Coach Wilson's home country of Jamaica, is like basketball, but dribbling isn't allowed, and there's no backboard behind the goal. Coach Wilson continued, "My transition to soccer came when our Jamaica National Netball Team was scheduled to go to England, and I didn't make the selection. I began playing soccer and made a commitment to it."

Coach Wilson's soccer career blossomed when the Jamaican National Women's Team came to her high school. "They had 33 players. I would make 34,



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and they were only going forward with 23," she recalled. She made the squad and began to work on her dribbling and passing skills. "Soon after that, they had a senior team camp, and I was called to try out. At the end of camp, I was selected as captain of the team."

Coaching was her aspiration, and soon she was studying and playing soccer at William Carey University in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. A brief summary of her college career is overwhelming. She was a four-time All Gulf Coast Athletic Association Player including the 2001 Player of the Year, a National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics All-American and a 2019 inductee of the William Carey University Sports Hall of Fame. She played professional and semi-professional soccer for several years in Iceland, Costa Rica and North Carolina.

Prior to becoming head coach at Navarro, Coach Wilson was an assistant coach at the University of West Florida under Coach Joe Bartlinski. "We were there for three years, and in 2015, my husband was ready to go back to Costa Rica. We had two daughters, and I was praying for guidance," Coach Wilson related.

"Coach Bartlinski told me about the head coach position available at Navarro College and suggested that I send my résumé. Things fell into place quickly, and I have been here almost five years. It's been a blessing, and we have been successful. We've been co-champions for the past three years and were regional runners-up in the playoffs last year."

Navarro College soccer team member, Laura Jansa, heard her coach's remark and added enthusiastically, "In 2020, we are going to be the champions!"

Laura is from Spain, and this is her first year at Navarro College. "I have been playing soccer since I was 4 years old, and my dream was to come to



the United States,” Laura shared. “There are no scholarships in Spain. We play on club teams that are separate from school. It’s much easier to participate in soccer and study here. I want to continue to play soccer after I finish at Navarro, and I want to stay in the United States.” Laura was originally recruited as goalkeeper, but Coach Wilson put her in the field and saw she had talent there. Now she plays striker.

Laura’s teammate, Cristina Obama, is from Equatorial Guinea, Africa. “In Africa, we played soccer in our neighborhood as children,” Cristina recalled. “Not everyone had a soccer ball, but there were enough to share. If the ball was damaged, we pitched in and bought one together. I probably started playing when I was 9 years old, and at age 14, I was on my high school team. I came to Navarro as a striker, and now I am a defender.”



The influence of Coach Wilson on her team beyond the soccer field was quickly mentioned by Laura. “She’s like a mom to me. Though I’m 21, I’m here by myself. Any help I need, a mature opinion, Coach Wilson has for me.”

Christina offered, “She’s more like my sister because my mother is much older! In Africa, my brother was the one who pushed me to achieve. Now it’s Coach Wilson. When I came here, I was the slowest person on the team. Now I’m the fastest. She made me work hard, and sometimes it’s painful, but the pain was necessary, and I thank her.”

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Jim and John bought the business in 2001. "This started out as a tiny mom-and-pop store, but now it's a larger — but not big box — brother-and-brother store," Darla quipped. "We've been in the same location, but lots of Corsicana folks remember when Latta's Western Wear and Mrs. Baird's Bread were on this corner."

Having grown up in this business, John said, "I enjoy the relationships formed over the years, and 'messaging' with the products." He cites the challenges of competing with big box and online stores in today's market. "We're hometown experts who can help," he said, "That personal touch continues to make a difference."

Gilfillan's is a Corsicana & Navarro County Chamber of Commerce member. "We've lost track of how many years we've been selected the Best of the Best in the Hardware and the Paint and Supplies categories. It's always an honor," John added.

While Jim oversees the paint department, John oversees the service desk and supplies technical expertise. Darla is the office manager, but everyone is cross-trained, so occasional days can be spent enjoying the family's favorite sports — golf and snow skiing. Jim has three sons, and John and Darla are parents to one son.

"Family time and our sense of community are important," Darla said. She continued, "We support local kids' activities and organizations such as Youth Expo, sports teams and Navarro College."

Jim, John and Darla are graduates of Corsicana Christian Academy, and John continued his education at then Texas State Technical Institute, now TSTC in Waco. "We're from here," Darla shared, "and we want to see this community grow." **NOW**



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Zoomed In: Katie Atkeisson

By Virginia Riddle

This Kerens native spends time helping her parents, David and Leah Atkeisson, in the family's business but also finds time for studies and cheer at Kerens High School. She is also her church's youth group leader. Katie Atkeisson shows animals through FFA, serving as chapter president and district vice president. "Kerens is a community where everyone's treated like family," Katie remarked.

The recent recipient of the 2020 MLK Navarro College scholarship based on her essay about Dr. King, Katie's fulfilling her deceased sister's dream — as well as her own — of attending college. "I'm thankful for this experience and give the glory to God," she said. "Because of Dr. King, I can stand true to what I know is right."



Chris and Meghan Jacinto celebrate winning Dancing for Our Stars.



Lorie Stovall, Kathie Benton and Gary Garcia enjoy drinks at the grand opening of the Plaid Turtle Draft House.



The 2020 Ducks Unlimited Banquet fundraiser draws a crowd.



Members of the Navarro College Chorale give a spirited concert performance.



The night is cold but the chili is hot at the Chatfield Chili Cook-off.



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In the Kitchen With BOBBIE NICHOLS

— By Virginia Riddle

Since she was 9 years old, Bobbie Nichols has been cooking. “My mother was very sick,” Bobbie recalled. “She had four children, and I was the oldest, so I learned to cook for the family, starting with pinto beans. School homemaking classes helped, and Bobbie started her collection of recipe books. “I read recipes like other people read library books,” she said. “I share my recipes with my granddaughters, and a great-granddaughter has asked for my cookie recipes.”

As an FUMC Corsicana chairperson, Bobbie oversees meal preparations for funerals. “We usually serve 25-100 people. I enjoy baking pies,” she explained. Besides cooking, Bobbie, now retired, works crossword puzzles and quilts. She donates quilts for fundraising to her church and Kinsloe House and gives them as wedding and baby shower gifts. **NOW**

Chocolate Pie

Filling:

1 cup sugar
1/4 tsp. salt
5 Tbsp. cocoa
3 Tbsp. flour
3 eggs, separated (divided use)
2 cups milk

1 tsp. vanilla
1 9-inch pie shell, baked

Meringue:

1/4 cup sugar
Coconut, to taste

1. For filling: In a saucepan, mix sugar, salt, cocoa and flour. Add egg yolks and milk.

2. Cook the mixture over medium heat while stirring until boiling. Add vanilla; stir until the mixture thickens. Pour into the pie shell.

3. For meringue: Beat egg whites until foamy; add sugar, a little at a time, beating well. Continue beating until stiff peaks form.

4. Spread meringue over the filling; top with coconut sprinkles. Bake at 350 F until the meringue browns.

Coconut Pie

Filling:

1 cup sugar
1/2 tsp. salt
3 Tbsp. flour
3 eggs, separated (divided use)
2 cups milk
1 cup coconut
1 tsp. vanilla
1 9-inch pie shell, baked

Meringue:

1/4 cup sugar
Coconut for topping, to taste

1. For filling: In a saucepan, mix the sugar, salt and flour. Add egg yolks and milk; cook while stirring over medium heat until the mixture boils.

2. Add coconut and vanilla; stir until thickened. Pour mixture into the pie shell.

3. For meringue: Beat the egg whites until foamy. Add sugar, a little at a time; beat well until stiff peaks form.

4. Spread meringue over the filling; sprinkle coconut over the meringue. Bake at 350 F until the meringue peaks brown.

Buttermilk Pie

3 eggs, beaten

2 cups sugar

3 Tbsp. flour

1 stick butter

1 cup buttermilk

1 tsp. vanilla

1 pie shell, unbaked

1. Mix the first 3 ingredients. Add butter, buttermilk and vanilla; pour mixture into the pie shell.

2. Bake for 45-50 minutes at 350 F.

Mandarin Orange Cake

Cake:

1 box Duncan Hines Classic Butter Golden Cake Mix

1 4-oz. can mandarin oranges, with juice

4 eggs

1/2 cup Crisco oil

Icing:

1 8-oz. tub Cool Whip

1 5.1-oz. box instant vanilla pudding

1 8-oz. can crushed pineapple

1. For cake: Mix all ingredients well. Pour batter into three cake pans; bake at 350 F for 20 minutes; cool.

2. For icing: Mix all ingredients well. Ice between layers, sides and cake top; refrigerate.

Squash Dressing

3 18.5-oz. cans squash, drained

1 onion, chopped

2 eggs

1 4.5-oz. can chopped green chilies

1 10.75-oz. can cream of chicken soup

1 pan cornbread, cooked according to pkg. directions, crumbled

2 cups cheddar cheese, shredded (divided use)

Salt, to taste

Pepper, to taste

Potato chips, crumbled, to taste

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1. Mix squash, onion, eggs, chilies and soup. Add cornbread; mix well.
2. Add 1 cup cheese, salt and pepper; pour mixture into a baking dish.
3. Top with potato chips and the remainder of the cheese; bake at 350 F for 30-40 minutes, or until the mixture bubbles.

Mincemeat Pie

- 1 27-oz. jar mincemeat**
1 cup sugar
4 Tbsp. flour
2 9-inch pie shells, unbaked
Sugar, to taste
Butter, to taste

1. Mix mincemeat, sugar and flour; simmer for about 20 minutes.
2. Pour mixture into a pie shell. Cover with the second pie shell; pinch edges together.
3. Top with sugar and butter; cut slits in the crust's top. Bake at 400 F for 25 minutes, or until the crust browns.

Meat Loaf

- 1 lb. ground meat**
2 1-oz. pkgs. Lipton Onion Soup Mix
1 medium onion, chopped
1 14.5-oz. can Ro-Tel tomatoes



Coconut Pie

- 1 cup breadcrumbs**
2 8-oz. cans tomato sauce (divided use)
Salt, to taste
Pepper, to taste

1. Mix meat, onion soup mix, onions, tomatoes, breadcrumbs and 1 can of tomato sauce; add salt and pepper.
2. Pour mixture into a baking dish; top with remaining tomato sauce. Bake at 400 F for 45 minutes.

Pecan Pie

- 1 cup white Karo syrup**
1 cup sugar
1/4 tsp. salt
2 Tbsp. flour
1 tsp. vanilla

- 1 cup pecans, chopped**
3 eggs, beaten
1 9-inch piecrust

1. Mix syrup, sugar, salt, flour, vanilla, pecans and eggs.
2. Pour mixture into the piecrust; bake at 350 F for 1 hour.

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— TALES OF TEXAS —

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— By Angel Morris

In the summer of 1894, an accidental discovery in Corsicana changed the course of the state's history. Hired by the city to find water, a drilling contractor instead found an oilfield, and the first Texas oil boom began.

The American Oil & Gas Historical Society explains how that oil well — which produced less than three barrels a day — is considered “the first significant commercial oil discovery west of the Mississippi.”

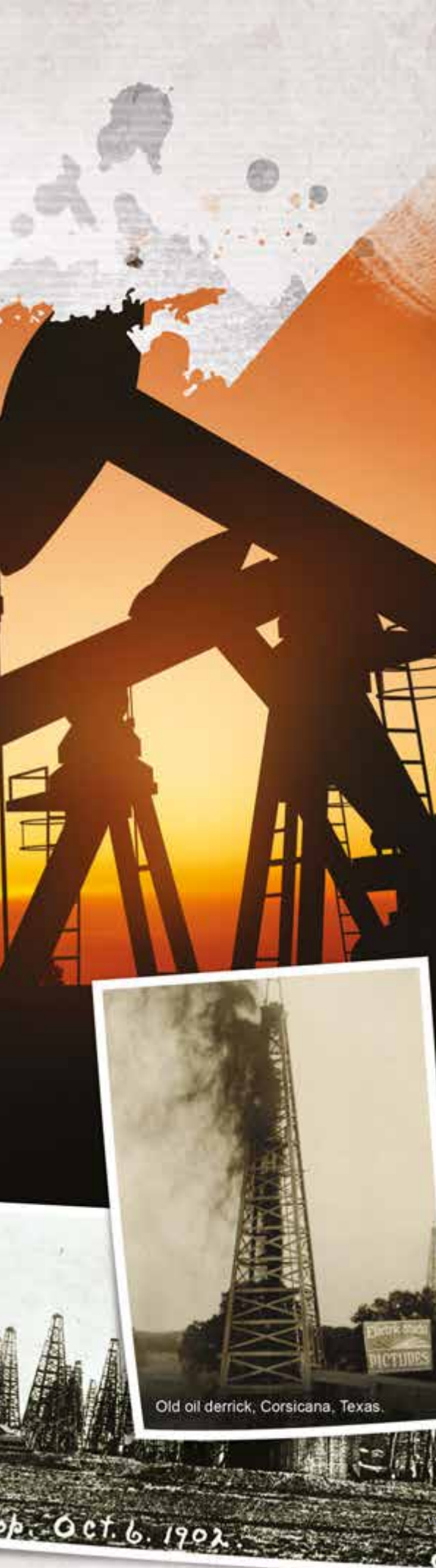
According to the society's website, the discovery changed Corsicana “from a sleepy agricultural town into a petroleum and industrial center. It launched industries, including service companies and manufacturers of the newly invented rotary drilling rig.”

Now, 126 years later, Corsicana celebrates the boom with its annual Derrick Days event. Even though Corsicana's wasn't the first oil well in Texas, its discovery helped establish the exploration and production industry in the state.

By 1897, Texas' first oil refinery was built in Corsicana and, within a year, some 287 wells were documented in the city. A few years later, the city of Beaumont joined Corsicana in the oil boom, when, on January 10, 1901, “an enormous geyser of oil exploded from a drilling site at Spindletop Hill,” according to www.history.com.

This gusher reached more than 150 feet and produced nearly 10,000 barrels a day making it more powerful than any geyser in the world. “A booming oil industry soon grew up around the oil field at Spindletop, and many of the major oil companies in America, including Gulf Oil, Texaco and Exxon, can trace their origins there,” history.com explains.





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As a result of Spindletop, Texas oil production dramatically increased, with the former small town now responsible for 94 percent of the state's oil. Offshore drilling began in Galveston in 1908, while counties such as Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Eastland and Limestone also struck oil.

The Panhandle added significant discoveries in 1921, joined by Caldwell County in 1922. Then Spindletop made a comeback in 1925 outdoing production of its original field. Other East Texas counties followed suit. After that time, according to the Texas Almanac, "The most significant subsequent oil discoveries in Texas were those in West Texas."

Prior to Texas' oil boom, Standard Oil Company of Pennsylvania — owned by John D. Rockefeller — monopolized the country's oil and gas supply. Corsicana and Spindletop, however, brought independent oil contractors, known as "wildcatters" to Texas. Farmers left their land and joined the oil mix, graduating to "roughneck" status. This influx led to shanty towns with unhealthy environments and questionable business practices, as some tried to make a buck off desperate diggers.

"Gas hung in the air for miles around an oil town. It was nauseating when you could smell it, and dangerous when you couldn't. Gas blindness or even gas-induced death was a daily gamble for workers on the seeping rigs," the Bullock Museum describes in its history of Texas. "There was also no shortage of gambling and fisticuffs in the ratty saloons. Things got so bad in one Texas boom town that Governor Moody sent the Texas Rangers to settle things down. Safe drinking water was nowhere, and dysentery was everywhere. In short, a boomtown wasn't a healthy place to call home for very long."



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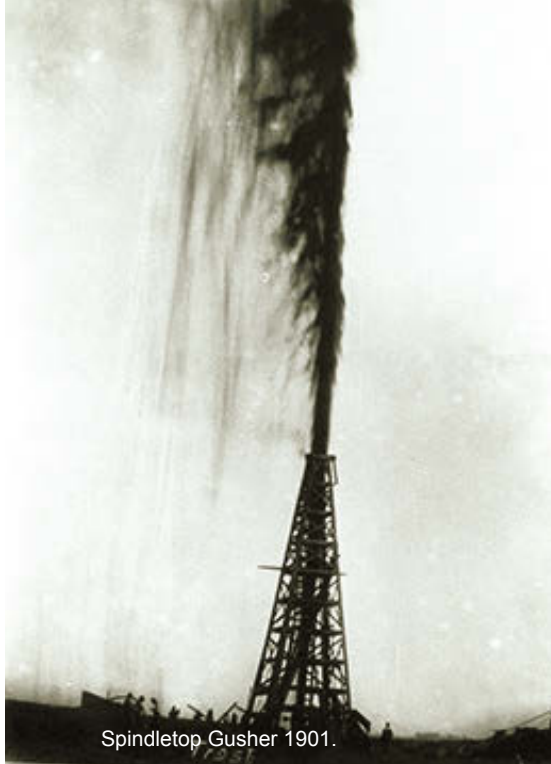
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The Texas oil boom began drawing to a close mid-century. The awe-inspiring "black gold" gushers were replaced by reduced, but steady, production of petroleum products.

The state would see its second oil boom with natural gas in the early 2000s, and the word "fracking" became part of the state's vocabulary. High-powered injection of water into underground areas to open fissures and extract oil or gas helped tap into vast natural resources.

Today, Texas oil remains a significant part of the nation's economy, with roughnecks still working the rigs and wildcatters still hunting that sweet "Texas tea." From the discovery of oil in Corsicana to the geyser at Spindletop, the oil boom changed Texas and the prosperity of the state and the nation unlike any other industry. **NOW**

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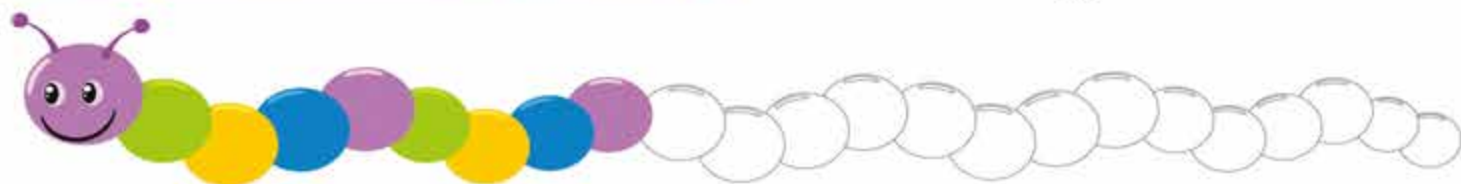
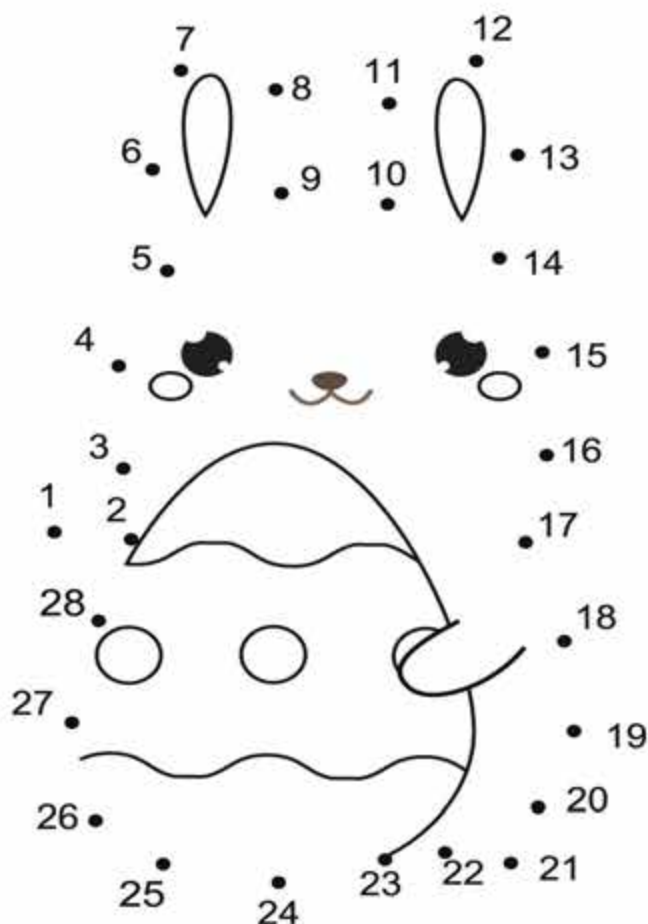
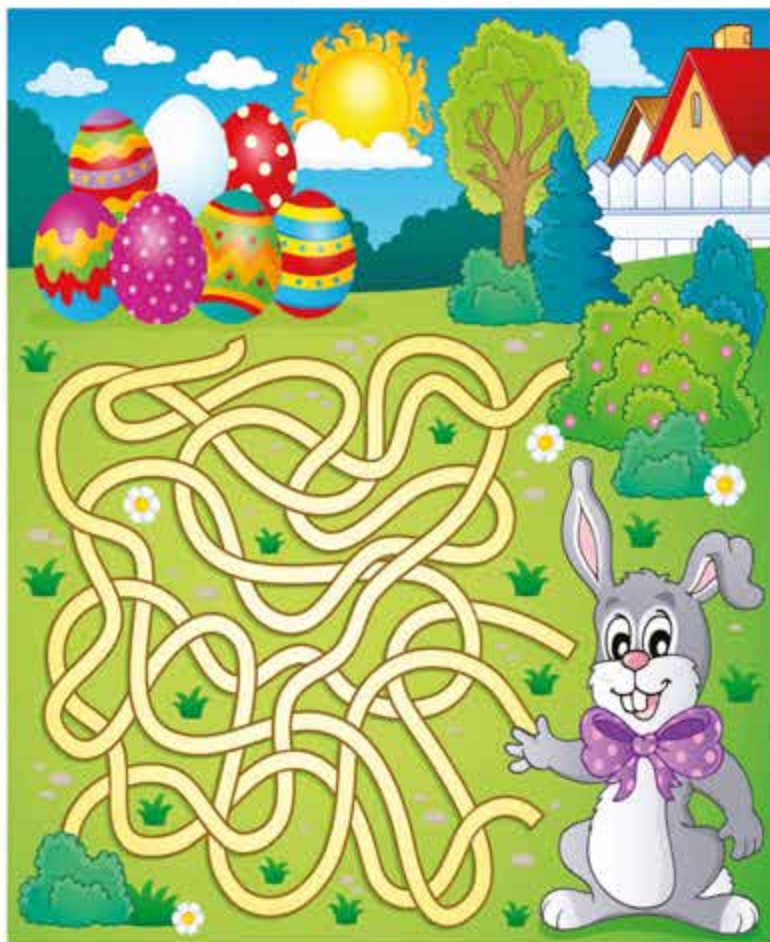
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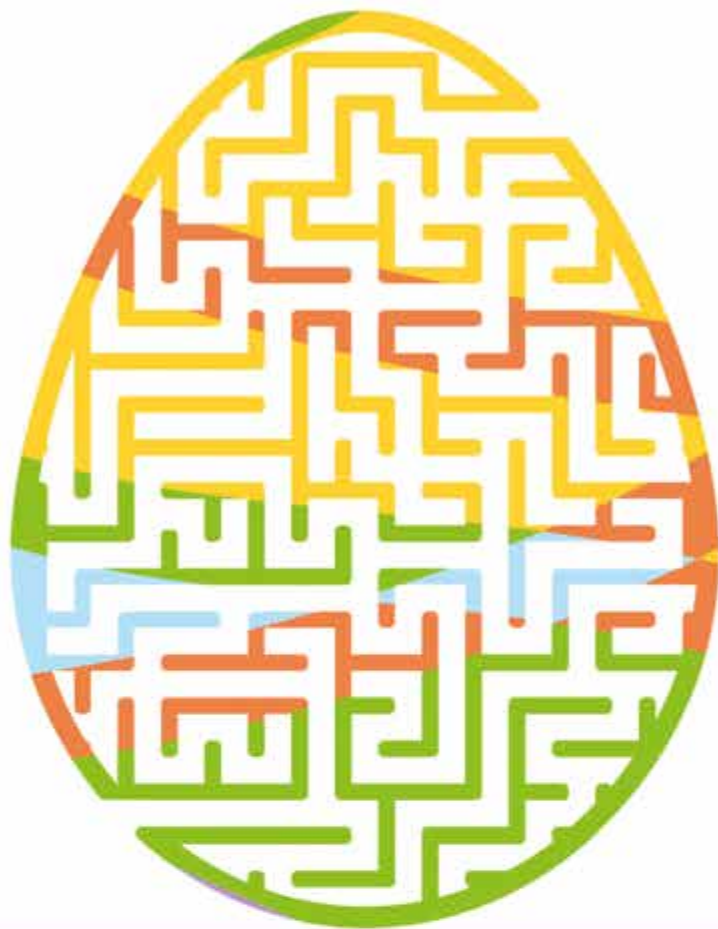
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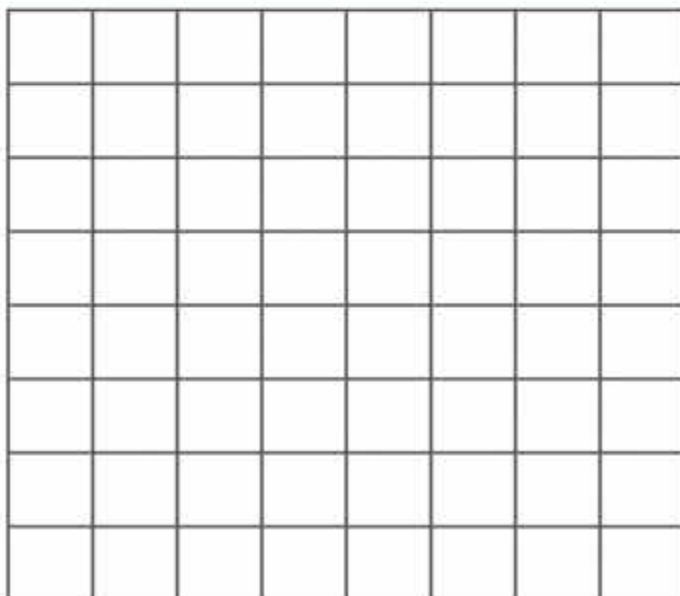
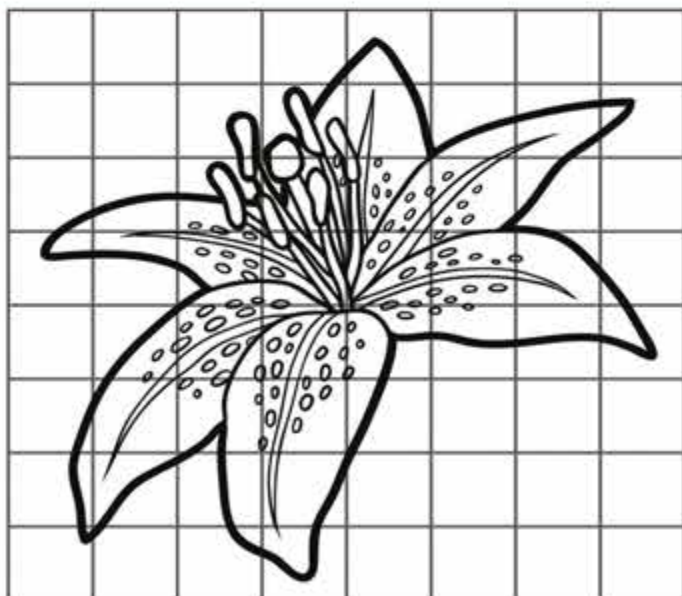


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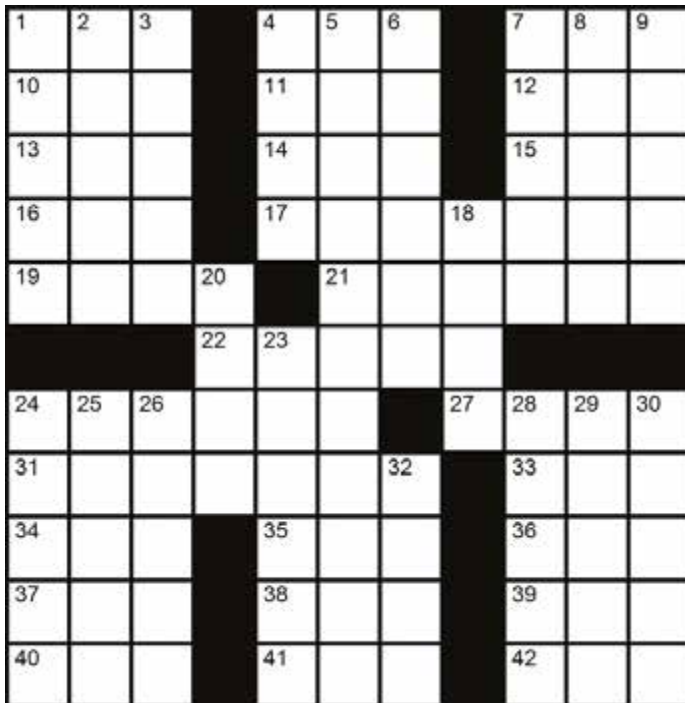


Eboney Hocutt, winner of \$50 cash, said, "I enjoy reading all about the people of Corsicana and their interests. First things first, though, I have to work all the puzzles! Winning makes it even better. Thank you, CorsicanaNOW!"



Vonda Howard, winner of \$50 gift card courtesy of Chucks Paint and Body, said, "I enjoy looking for the little objects in the ads every month. This was my first time to win anything. Thanks, Gregg, for the gift certificate to Taylors BBQ. I really enjoy NOW Magazine."

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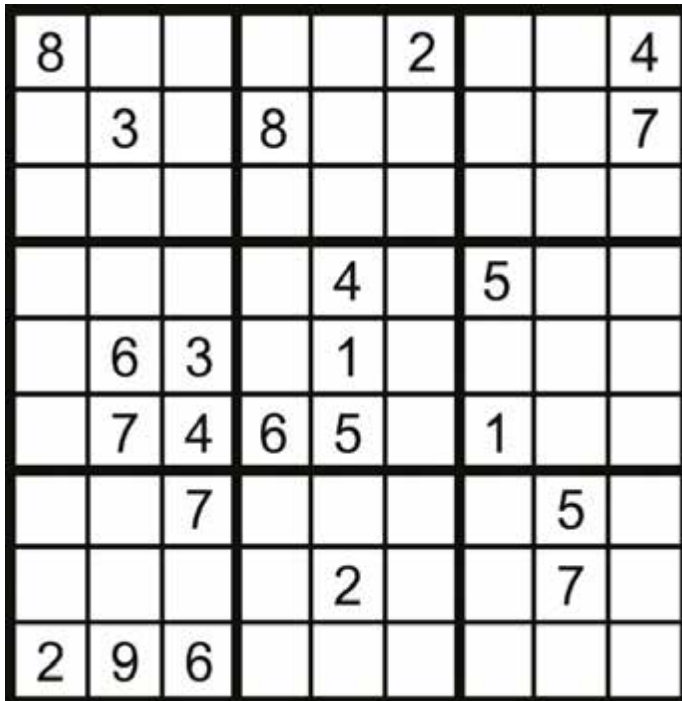
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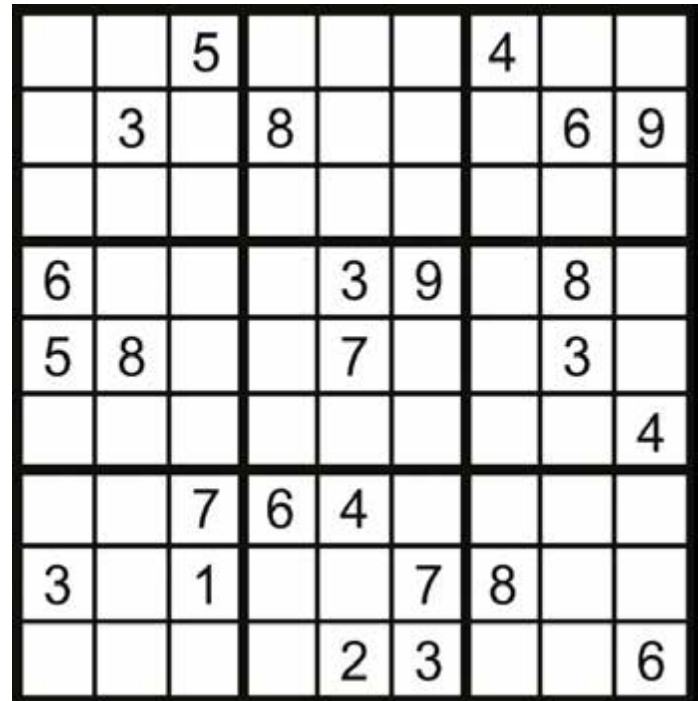
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