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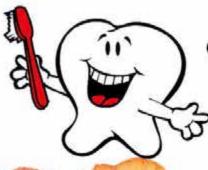




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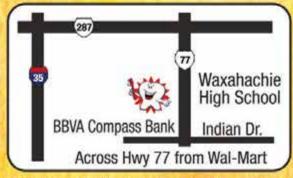
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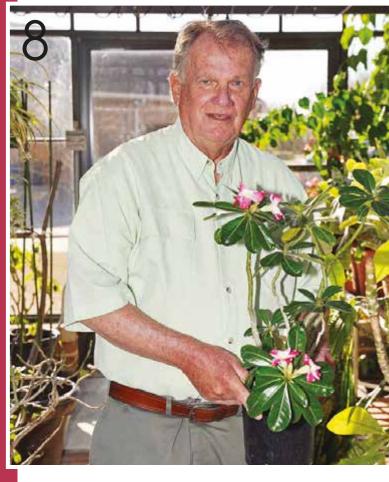
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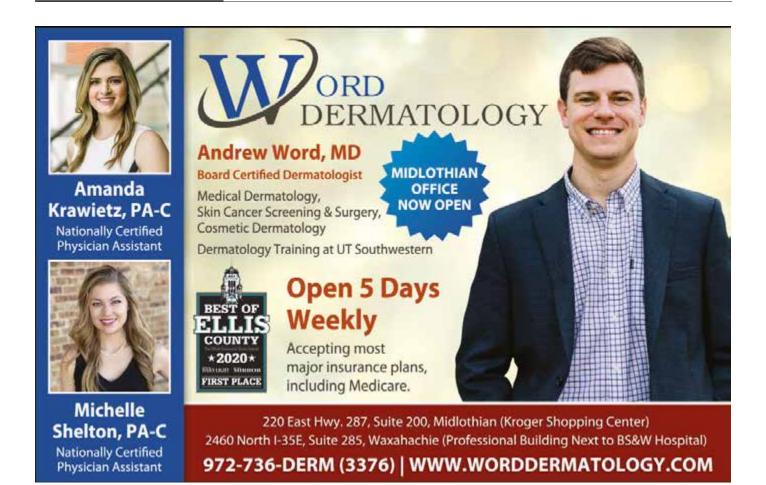
I've been interested in languages since I was a little boy watching the bilingual segments of *Sesame Street*. I've learned languages for a variety of reasons, but there was almost always a friendship involved.

When I lived in Taiwan for three years, from 2000-2003, I had plenty of opportunities to practice my Mandarin, as I expected. But another language-learning opportunity just sort of fell into my lap.

I had studied ASL (American Sign Language) in college and had opportunities to use it, off and on, over the years. Taiwan has a vibrant street food scene, and one day I noticed a drink stand near my house. There were a couple of people at the stand, conversing in a signed language. It wasn't ASL, and I didn't understand them. But I went over and introduced myself in ASL. They were as excited to meet someone who spoke another signed language as I was, and it didn't matter that I was a hearing foreigner. They accepted me into their circle of friends and started teaching me Taiwan Sign Language.

There followed many evenings sitting at that drink stand, owned by a Deaf woman, enjoying milk teas and talking about everything imaginable. The vocabulary, the handshapes and the grammar were all very different, but I learned quickly, because I had friends. We got to enter each other's worlds because of language.

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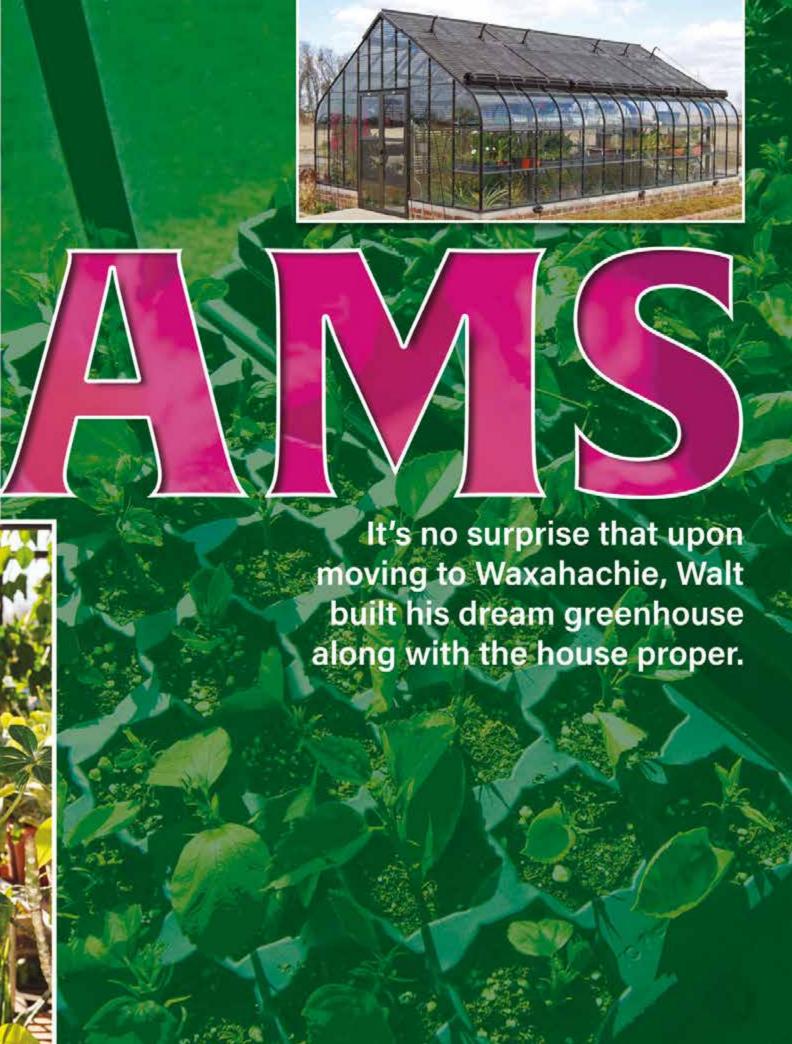
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— By Adam Walker

"Way back when I was a little kid, my grandparents had what was called a Victory Garden," Walt Friis said. Victory Gardens were home gardens to increase food production during World War II. "I worked with them, as much as a 5-, 6-, 7-year-old can," Walt remembered. "Growing up, I always had something to do with gardening, and I became very interested in growing things. My uncle in Chicago worked in a greenhouse. My parents had a 12x 12 garden in our backyard in an industrial suburb of Chicago."

With that kind of background, it is unsurprising that Walt decided to study biology and chemistry when he went to college. "When I started work on my master's degree, I chose plant physiology. I started working at the herbicide and growth regulators division of Upjohn in 1966. I was a research assistant in the greenhouses there for two years. Then I worked in human research, lab research, administration and management and then in regulatory. After 37 years with Upjohn, including six in London, I retired at 61. You've got to go to England if you want to see gardens!"











That's when Walt and his wife decided to make some big changes. "We had always planned to retire south. We were living in Michigan at the time. I was already a certified Master Gardener, and I had three greenhouses there — a 10x12 and two 8x10s. My wife had one sister in Dallas and one in Waxahachie. She asked me, 'Do you want to move to Texas?' I said. 'Yeah.' Three weeks later, she had sold the house, and we were packing up. I loaded up a pickup truck with a bunch of my favorite plants and drove them down here. We bought a place at Maypearl, before moving to Waxahachie, but within six months, 90 percent of those plants were dead. The climate and the soils were just too different here."

Those differences meant that Walt had to repeat the process of being certified as a Master Gardener for growing in Texas climates and soils. "I had taught at Michigan State, but the soils there are mostly sandy and have very high water requirements," he explained. "The temperatures are more moderate in the summer. Full sun in Michigan is not the same as full sun in Texas. Part of the advantage of a greenhouse is being able to manage the environment. You have some control over the temperature and humidity. I had to learn about the plants, soils and climate here."

It's no surprise that upon moving to Waxahachie, Walt built his dream greenhouse along with the house proper. "The first decision with a greenhouse is how you want to use it. Is it for starting plants for spring planting? Is it for environmental management? I used to grow a lot of orchids, but I only have 12 or so now. I grow a lot of plumeria, the Hawaiian lei flower. They're too big to move now. They need to be cut back. I also grow a lot of desert rose. They come in so many different colors. I also propagate a lot of aloe vera in

my greenhouse. They're always popular at plant shows. I always have some amaryllis. They bloom in April and May, but you can force them to bloom at Christmas, too," he explained.

"I like teaching classes about botany, plant development and plant propagation, as well as greenhouse management for the local Master Gardeners. The teaching part of being a Master Gardener is important to me. I taught at the university in Michigan, and I started a junior Master Gardener program at Pettigrew Academy, the Montessori school in Waxahachie, where I taught as a volunteer for 10 years. I ran that program for about five or six years while also teaching science and math. Two years ago, I retired from that. But I also teach for the Lighthouse for Learning continuing education program for adults through WISD."



Walt's home gardens include his greenhouse, plus a number of outdoor garden beds. "I'm 79 now. This is a 4-acre lot. Ten years ago, I had a 50x50 vegetable garden; a 40x20 vine garden, where I grew pumpkins and squash; a 40x20 bulb garden, where I have daffodils and Dutch iris. The last two years, I scaled back a lot, after my surgery. I had to minimize. But I'm getting back into it now. It's in my blood. I still have the butterfly garden. The wildflower garden was amazing the first year, but it needs reworking now, though there are still a lot of bluebonnets. I've scaled back some of the other gardens, and I've let the vine garden go, but I still have a lot of irons in the fire."

Walt's love for plants and green things continues to grow, just like the fuchsia bougainvillea in his greenhouse that climbs into the rafters. The roots planted by his grandparents in their Victory Garden continue to bear fruit as Walt propagates his knowledge here in Ellis County, where he seeds new minds with the gardening bug!





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ADVOCATE

— By Adam Walker

Carole Patman is a woman with a mission to protect some of our most vulnerable citizens, children entering the foster care system. "When my daughter became a foster parent, I saw up close and personal how many loopholes there were in the system, and how easy it was for kids to fall through the cracks," she remembered. "I started looking for a way to help, and that's when I found CASA."

CASA stands for Court Appointed Special Advocates, and Carole joined the ranks of this organization to fight for children in crisis. "Often, you are dealing with a child who has discovered that they can't trust the main person in their life. I can do something to make their lives a little bit better."

A CASA advocate is appointed by the courts to advocate for the child in any case where the state is considering removing a child from their parents' custody. Sometimes, that's because of abuse or neglect. Sometimes, it's because the parent responsible for the child is in jail. Often drugs are involved. CASA volunteers work with the team of CPS caseworkers, attorneys for the children and others to ensure each Ellis County child in the foster care system is visited at least once per month. They talk to parents and other family members, doctors, teachers, neighbors and anyone else with knowledge of the child's situation to help the courts understand what is in the best interest of the child involved.

The initial training is 30 hours, followed by yearly on-going training. Each volunteer is sworn in by Judge Jim Chapman. When a removal order is issued by the judge, which is a lawsuit the state brings against the parents, giving them one year to fix the situation that resulted in the order, a CASA volunteer is assigned to each child removed.

"When I'm assigned to a case," Carole explained, "I receive a paper from the judge saying I can ask questions of any person

connected to the child to find out the best way to help. I find that you can say anything to anyone, if you say it in the right manner. Sometimes, I attend school functions and go on field trips with the kids. I like to do things with the kids I'm helping. I cut out teddy bears with one girl and taught her to use my sewing machine. She was adopted to Houston, but I keep in touch. When I went to visit her, she showed me her teddy bear.

"One case involved a mother who was in iail for bad checks. The kids entered the system because their grandfather was abusive. The mother found out and wrote to CPS about how to get her kids back. I went to see her. When she got out, she immediately went to CPS to talk to them again. She got a job, bought a car, rented an apartment and got her kids back. It was a struggle, but she did everything she needed to do. That doesn't always happen. When drugs are involved, sometimes the parent is really trying, but just can't get their life together to provide a safe environment for their child. And, sometimes, they aren't willing or even able to try. Addiction is terrible. When that's the case, we try to find biological family members who are able to provide a safe home. When that doesn't work, we look for outside adoption possibilities. But that's after a long process."

Carole continued, "When you go into the courtroom, you never know who is really fighting for the child. I have to testify every three to six months and answer questions about how the kids are doing and what they need if they are not doing well. You have to be a fighter. That's always been a part of who I was, but as a volunteer, you see so much happen to kids that never should happen to anyone. It makes my blood boil. Sometimes, you have to be strong to get your point across. We always need more help, more volunteers, both men and women — stay-at-home moms, married couples, retired teachers. Many of our volunteers were in foster care themselves. The men have a lot of success with the older boys. In a lot of those cases, there has been no father figure," Carole explained.

"I can't imagine not doing this. There will always be kids who need help. It's all about the kids."







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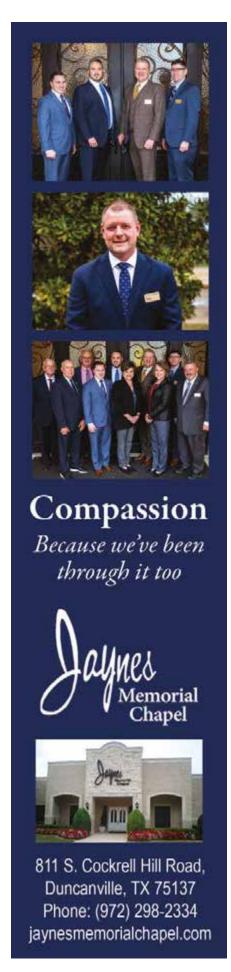
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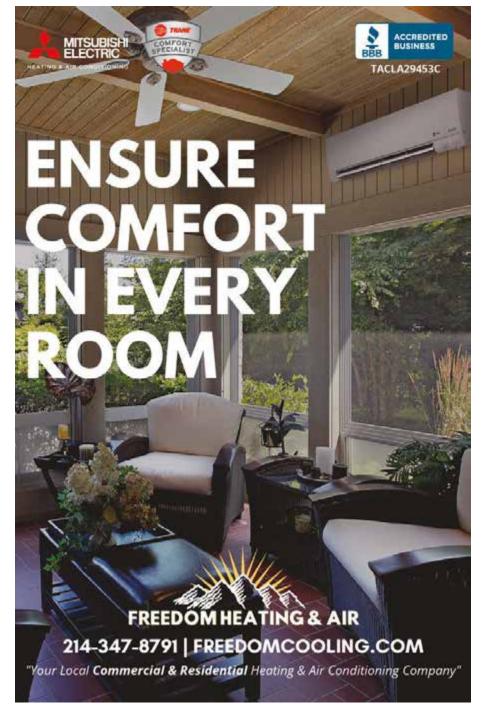
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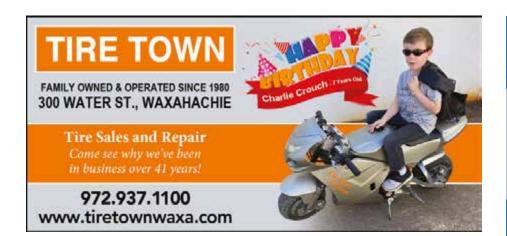
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The Payne Family

By Adam Walker

John Payne stopped by Sims Library with his daughter, Elizabeth, and son, John Jr. After introductions, John Jr. supplied the important information that they weren't "Elizabeth, John and John," but "Elizabeth, Daddy and John," while little Elizabeth just smiled.

"We're just out for the day, and the library is a good place to not be outside," John Sr. informed, referencing the cold, dreary day that had replaced the beautiful sunshine and warm temperatures of the day before.

The library supplies plenty of opportunities for families looking for indoor activities on bad-weather days and good-weather days alike. If you're looking for fun activities, educational opportunities or a mingling of the two, you can't go wrong by following the Payne family's example.



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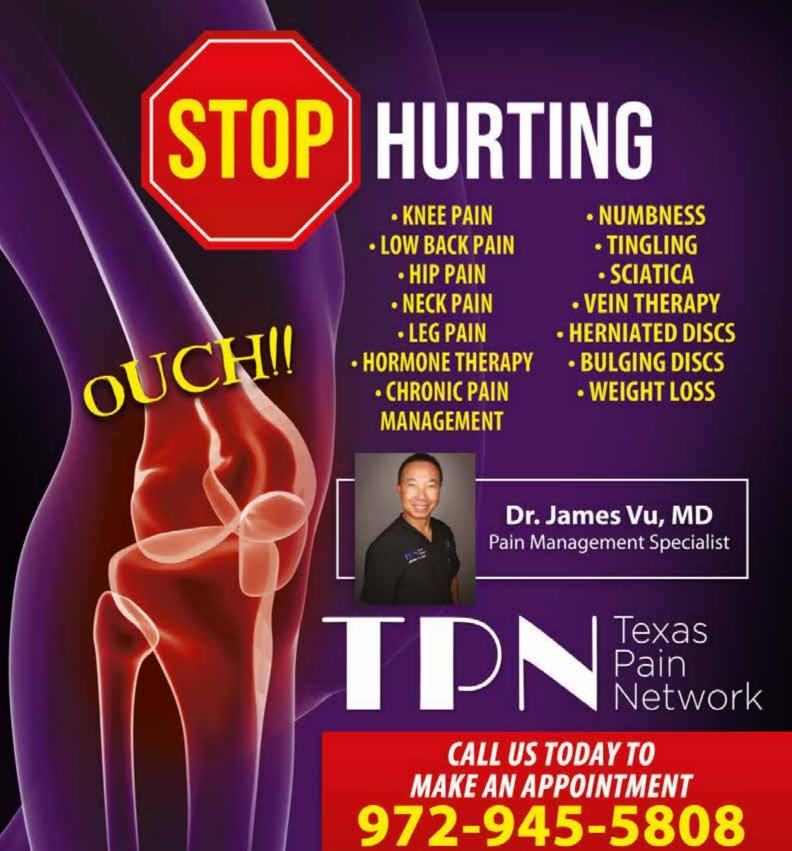
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Laura believes in treating each mortgage transaction as if it were her own and putting herself in the customer's shoes to make sure they understand each step of the process. Laura said that each transaction is special to her and to her customers, who are making homeownership a reality. Her gratification comes from knowing she just helped them with one of the biggest investment purchases of their life.

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Women's Council of Realtors Ellis County has been a huge part of Laura's career for the past seven years. It's about learning new ideas, networking and creating long-lasting relationships with her peers and referral partners. She served on the executive board for the WCR Ellis County Network as the treasurer for the past three years and as treasurer for one year at the WCR Southwest Dallas Network.

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"A chaotic ball of creativity." That is how Amy Lane describes herself. When she is not discovering a new hobby or crocheting. Amy is creating flavorful dishes to share with friends and loved ones.

Amy began cooking at a young age with the help of her mother. "I am one of six kids, and it was all-hands-on-deck," Amy shared. Her father was in the U.S. Army, so Amy's family moved often. As a young adult, Amy traveled across Asia and Europe, so she enjoys recipes and flavor combinations from other countries.

"I make everything in large portions." At first, her British husband, Alex, was not accustomed to the mass amounts of eclectic foods Amy prepared. He is familiar now, so her habit of "potluck" cooking for Alex and their toddler continues. Now

Peanut Butter Easter Eggs

I cup peanut butter 1/2 stick butter 1 tsp. sea salt 1 tsp. vanilla extract

2 cups powdered sugar

24 oz. chocolate melts

1. Place the peanut butter and butter in a microwave-safe bowl; warm in 30-second increments for about 1 to 1 1/2 minutes until melted. Add the salt and vanilla extract: stir until combined.

2. Slowly stir in the powdered sugar to avoid it billowing out of the bowl. Divide the dough into eight pieces; shape into egg forms. Place

the eggs onto a baking sheet covered with waxed paper; cool to room temperature. 3. In a microwave-safe bowl or on a double boiler, melt the chocolate. Dip each egg into the chocolate; place back on the waxed paper to dry. Once all eggs are dipped, place the baking sheet in the refrigerator for about I hour or until set. Enjoy!

Broccoli Salad

Dressing:

1 cup mayonnaise

2 Tbsp. sugar

2 Tbsp. vinegar

Salad:

10-12 slices bacon

I bunch broccoli, cut into bite-size pieces

I onion, diced

I cup raisins or dried cranberries

I cup pecans, chopped

1. For dressing: In a bowl, mix together all ingredients; set aside.

For salad: In a skillet, cook the bacon until crispy. In a large bowl, crumble the bacon. Add the broccoli and the remaining ingredients; combine. Add the dressing; mix well.
 Cover with plastic wrap; chill in the

refrigerator for a few hours or overnight before serving.

Five Cup Salad

I cup mandarin oranges

1 cup mini marshmallows

I cup crushed pineapple, drained

1 cup shredded coconut

1 cup sour cream

1. In a large bowl, combine all ingredients. Cover; refrigerate for 2 hours before serving.

Shrimp Dip

2 8-oz. pkgs. cream cheese2/3 cup cocktail sauce3 6-oz. cans tiny shrimp, drained

1. Spread the cream cheese in a thin layer in a 9x12-inch baking dish. Top with cocktail sauce; spread evenly. Add tiny shrimp on top; serve with crackers.

Classic Cheese Ball

2 8-oz. pkgs. cream cheese

1 8-oz. can crushed pineapple, drained

1/4 cup green bell pepper, finely diced

2 Tbsp. onion powder

1 Tbsp. seasoned salt

I cup pecans, crushed

In a bowl, cream together the cream cheese and the next 4 ingredients. Form into a ball while still in the bowl; refrigerate for 30-40 minutes until the cheese ball is firm.
 Scatter the crushed pecans onto a baking tray. Remove the ball from the refrigerator. Roll the ball in the pecans to completely cover. Serve with crackers.

Crab Soup

4 qts. water

2 cups potatoes, cubed

1 lb. crab meat

1 14-oz. pkg. frozen corn

1 12-oz. pkg. frozen peas

1 28-oz. can crushed tomatoes

2 Tbsp. butter

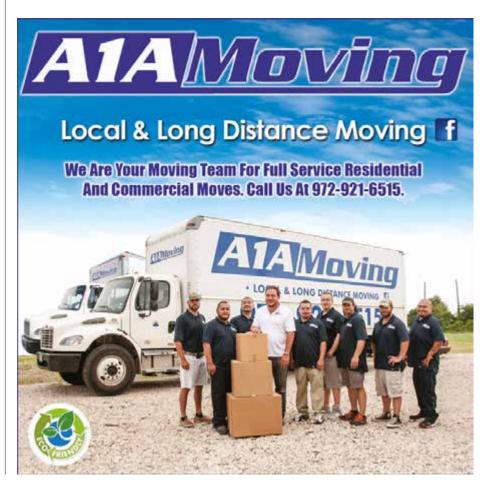
1/4 cup fresh parsley

2-4 cups chicken or vegetable broth

1. In a large pot, bring the water to a boil; add the potatoes. Cook until fork-tender; drain off most of the water, leaving just









enough to cover the potatoes. 2. Add the crab meat and the next 5 ingredients. Add broth to your liking; mix well. 3. Simmer over medium-high heat for 20-30 minutes; serve.

Brunswick Stew

2 qts. water I cup potatoes, cubed 2 Tbsp. olive oil 1/2 cup onion, diced 1/2 cup celery, diced 2 cups cooked and shredded pork butt or beef roast

1 15.25-oz. can corn

1 28-oz. can crushed tomatoes

1/2 cup barbecue sauce of your choice

5 cups beef broth

I tsp. salt

1 tsp. black pepper

4 dashes Tabasco sauce (optional)

1. In a large pot, boil the water. Add the potatoes; boil until fork-tender. Drain potatoes. 2. In the same pot, add the oil, onion and celery. Cook on medium heat until the vegetables are translucent.

- 3. Add the cooked pork or beef, corn, and the next 5 ingredients; mix well. If you prefer a little more spice, add a few dashes of Tabasco sauce.
- 4. Cook on medium-high heat for 35-45 minutes. This pairs nicely with cornbread.

Baked Hawaiian Rolls

1 12-ct. pkg. Hawaiian rolls

1 1-lb. pkg. deli ham

1 8-oz. can crushed pineapple, drained

1 1-lb. pkg. Swiss cheese slices

1/2 stick butter

1/2 tsp. salt

I tsp. black pepper

1 tsp. garlic powder

1. Preheat the oven to 350 F. Begin by cutting the attached rolls in half, so there is a top and bottom layer. Place the deli ham on the bottom layer. Add a layer of pineapple and Swiss cheese on top of the ham. Add the top layer of the bun. Place the sandwiches on a baking sheet lined with foil. 2. In a bowl, melt the butter. Add salt, pepper and garlic powder to butter; mix well. Brush the butter mixture on top of the rolls; bake at 350 F for 15 minutes, or until the cheese is melted. Remove from the oven: cool. Slice into individual servings and enjoy.

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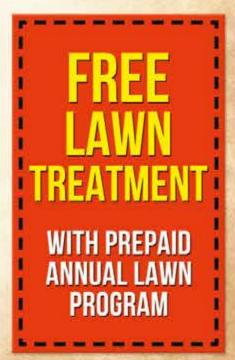
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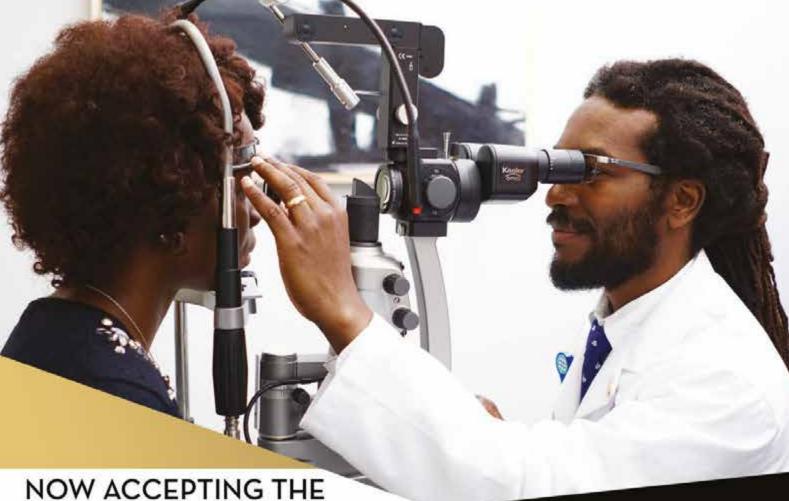




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While legends often sound far-fetched, all of them have a basis of truth. In the case of María de Jesús de Ágreda, many pieces of her story have no explanation outside a mysterious and miraculous event.

Born April 2, 1602, María Fernández Coronel grew up with a zeal for telling people the Gospel story, wanting nothing more than to see people come to a saving knowledge of her Lord. From early childhood, she longed to become a missionary in the New World. Unfortunately, young girls of her era didn't have that career option.

Some say even as an infant, she had divine knowledge. A child prone to visions, preoccupation with spirituality and obsessed with compassion for the poor, her family misunderstood her. Often feeling wounded and unloved, she retreated to the depths of her soul. With desires of mission work squashed, María made a decision. At only 8 years old, the girl announced a determination to take a chastity vow and enter the sisterhood.

Seven years later, her father and two brothers entered a monastery. Following what they all believed as guidance from the Lord, María's parents converted their castle into a convent — the Franciscan Convent of the Immaculate Conception at

Ágreda. Sister María de Jesús (as she was known after taking her vows) entered the sisterhood without ever leaving her home.

Instead of esteeming her, the other nuns ridiculed and humiliated her. At one point, the Mother Superior requested an ecclesiastical examination. After much questioning, the Provincial of Burgos, Fray Anthorn de Villacre, declared her neither foolish nor mad. He declared that Sister María de Jesús attained true sanctity, a transcendent state of spirituality. The nuns then held her in the highest esteem, thrusting her into unwanted limelight.

Not long after that, during fervent prayer following communion one day, the young nun entered a trance. She found herself walking among dark-skinned men where they gathered, hunted and lived a simple life. Returning many times in the same fashion, sometimes two and three times a day, she taught them the fundamentals of Christian faith and lifestyle. Sister María de Jesús claimed over 500 visits to the New World, although she physically never left Spain.

Later, under the guidance of her confessor, Francisco Andres de la Torre, she detailed accounts of her journeys in a book titled, *The Mystical City of God.* Questioned extensively, Sister María de Jesús provided glorious details that she could not possibly know without having been among the native Americans.

The Jumano tribe, inhabitants of Texas and parts of New Mexico, have long shared stories of the Blue Nun. They say she appeared hundreds of times to them, coming from the sky.

Because of the cobalt blue clothing she wore, they called her the Lady in Blue. Many settlers also claimed this same woman came to them, ministering to their souls.

The Jumano Braves, moved by the nun, traveled to a mission in New Mexico and shared with the priests what they learned from her. From 1620, increasing numbers of native Americans came, requesting missionaries so they could learn more and receive blessings. When friars finally visited the village, the natives welcomed them with two wooden crosses, covered with flowers they said the Lady in Blue helped them decorate. When shown a photo of an older Franciscan nun, they declared their Lady in Blue wore the same clothing but was much younger and very beautiful.

The lumano legend states that the morning after the Blue Nun's last visit, they woke to a field of beautiful flowers that matched the color of her cloak. According to them, the Texas bluebonnet appeared in her absence.

A few years after her death in 1665, the church declared Sister María de Jesús de Ágreda venerable. In the 20th century, they opened her coffin and found the beloved nun's body uncorrupted by death.

Did she indeed visit America at the same time she remained in Spain? Some believe she did, although no one can explain the possibility of such visits outside a miracle of bi-location.

Those who saw the Lady in Blue recorded and told their stories for generations. Whether a true visit by a miracle, or a vision that appeared to many people, the Jumano tribe, settlers and others learned about Christianity enough to want more knowledge and blessings from the church. Sister María's deepest desire to see people in the New World learn about Christianity came to fruition — a fact history can't dispute. **NOW**

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The historic town of Hico, Texas, made its debut on Honey Creek in the late 19th century. With the coming of the railroad, the town's forefathers moved toward the new mode of transportation in 1880, a decision that proved prosperous for the community. New landmark buildings appeared, which have now withstood more than 100 years of the ebb and flow of commerce and populations. Hico prospered as the shipping center for cotton and other crops.



Many of the historic buildings remain along the main streets of the town, transformed into shops and restaurants, with fresh entities opening. Many, however, visit the small community for a more notorious reason. Locals adhere to the legend that Billy the Kid lived there as an old man. In the middle of the main street, a small museum tells the stories, providing scores of artifacts from the man they knew as Brushy Bill Roberts. For historians, a visit to the museum offers facts about Billy the Kid, whether or not you believe the local tales. Outside the room with Billy's life story, other historic artifacts exist for visitors to browse.

Near the museum, Blue Star Trading Company houses a fun shop ranging from clothing to furniture and a gallery featuring local artists. An antique riding horse and life-size stallion make it a fun place for all ages to visit.

Upstairs in the mezzanine you will find a post office front and other antiques, including a vault built around the safe inside. When a fire destroyed the entire mezzanine, the vault became a floating time capsule. No one had the combination to the safe, but when they finally opened it, they discovered letters, documents and ledgers from 1917 to 1940. With the mezzanine restored, the upper part now houses a pictorial history of Hico. Doubling as an event center, the pictorial experience takes a step back in time.

All buildings in the downtown area contain brick or rock walls, built in earlier centuries to stop raging fires from moving between shops. From the city watering station to a historic log

cabin at Peppermint Square, the museums and buildings Hico contains offer enough history to keep any interested person busy all day. Throughout the city center, murals painted on walls also give visitors an opportunity to view art. Entering the area, you can't miss the iconic larger-than-life letters HCO. The space between H and C allows visitors to become the I in Hico.

For those who prefer the outdoors and adventure, the city park includes RV parking spaces. Situated beside the Bosque River, visitors can enjoy nature. Nearby, Pete's Path winds around a sports complex and contains a disc golf course. Designed in honor of fallen heroes, the trail provides a paved sidewalk for exercise and dog walks while strolling along the river. Picnic tables dot the area for those who want to enjoy a meal or snack.

A newer attraction to Hico, Siloville opened in 2015. Built from three silos, it offers harnessed climbing, both indoors and out, low ropes, ninja warrior courses and ziplining. The less adventurous can climb a ladder and watch the sunset from the top of the silos.

With ample places to stay and eat, visitors can plan a weekend in the small community to step back in history and enjoy a bit of adventure. Located 100 miles or less from the DFW Metroplex, it also makes a fantastic day trip. Now

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Across

- 1 Workout woes
- 7 Kind of stock option
- 10 Go bananas
- 11 "--- neither and you say neither..."
- 13 Pay back
- 14 Fermented rice drink
- 15 Kernel
- 16 Evita's successor
- 18 Isn't slang
- 20 Edge
- 21 Leaves port
- 24 Starts the show
- 26 Cribbage marker
- 27 Hawkeye state
- 29 Becomes violently active
- 31 Dull to learn by
- 35 Roman aloha
- 36 Aviator Earhart
- 38 On one's rocker?
- 39 German children
- 40 Beat it
- 41 Remodels

Down

- 1 Silent one
- 2 Wander aimlessly
- 3 " ... take arms against --- of troubles" (Hamlet)
- 4 Crackers
- 5 Cast lead block
- 6 Bierkeller mug
- 7 Its most famous landmark does not look normal!
- 8 Working OK
- 9 Bamboozle
- 12 Shrill cries
- 17 Store affoat
- 19 "Till the Devil whispered behind the leaves, "it's pretty, but --- Art ?"" (Kipling)
- 21 Detailed requirements
- 22 Forward pass
- 23 Crested herbivorous lizard
- 25 Immediate ancestor
- 28 Honshu port
- 30 Composition in verse
- 32 Ye --- Tea Shoppe
- 33 Layer of a wedding cake
- 34 Corn spikes
- 37 .001 inch

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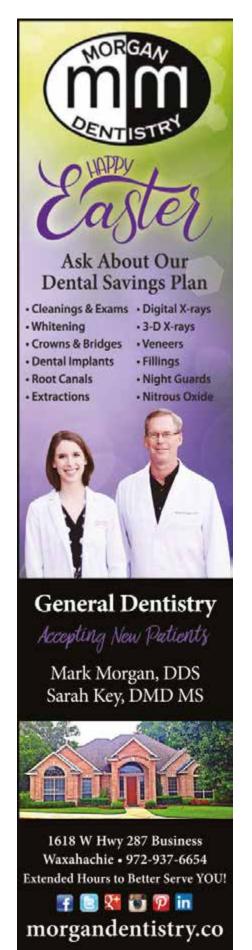
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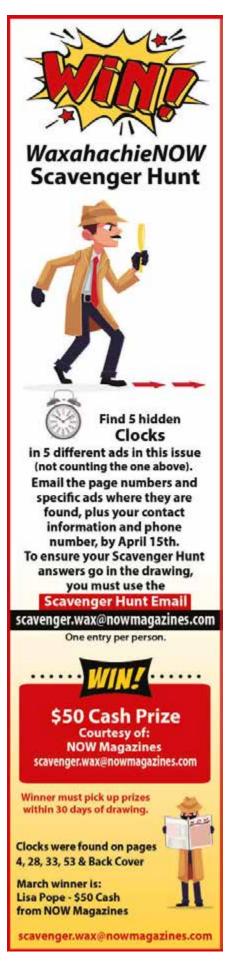












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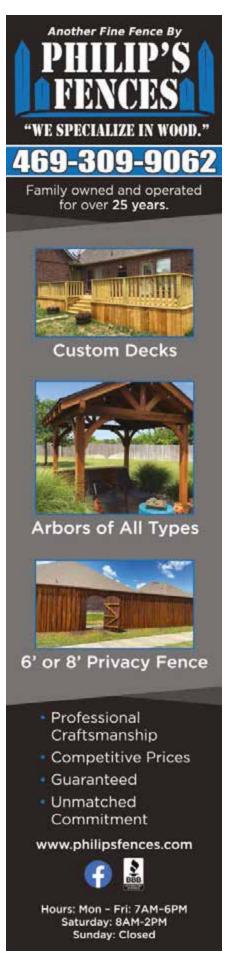
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