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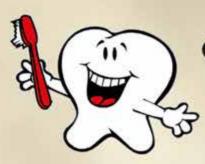




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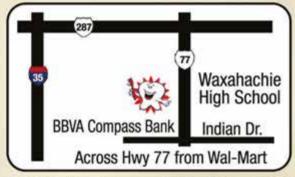
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During this COVID-19 pandemic, things have changed rapidly, necessitating companies make adjustments to how they do business, and we at NOW Magazines are no different. Like many of you, we are now officing from home, and our magazines may look a little different to you this month, due to some of the adjustments we have made as we navigate these challenging times. But we will get through these times together.

If you are like me, the events of the last couple of months have left you wondering what the future holds, but there is comfort in knowing our nation and the world have weathered many storms and come through OK on the other side. As I've pondered over this new reality, my thoughts have repeatedly gone back to one very brave lady named Corrie ten Boom. She and her family were Dutch Christians who lived in Nazi-occupied Holland during WWII. Their faith told them to love their neighbors as they loved themselves. So, they built a secret room in their home where, over time, they hid and saved nearly 800 Jews from the Nazi Holocaust. Eventually, they were betrayed, and the whole family was imprisoned in the concentration camps. Only Corrie survived.

In time, Corrie became an author and speaker with a worldwide ministry. Her message was one of forgiveness and reconciliation. While in college, I had the privilege of meeting Corrie's nurse, who cared for her during her last years. The stories about her life have always been an inspiration to me.

Corrie said, "Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God." Wow. So much faith and trust from someone who had experienced so much hurt, loss and tragedy. She lost her loved ones, her home and her job. But she never lost her faith, and it carried her through the dark times. And on the other side of the dark, was beauty again — full of life and hope and purpose. As we navigate the dark times our world faces now, we, too, can trust our unknown futures to God.

Beautiful stories are being reported of people finding ways to help, even in this time of social distancing. From a high school robotics class making face shields for medical professionals using 3-D printers and people shopping for neighbors in high-risk demographics to ministers holding online church services and entertainers live streaming concerts to add some joy to our lives, good is happening all around us, as people love others as they love themselves. What can you do within the guidelines our leaders have established to keep us safe and healthy? It may be no more than calling a family member or a friend, but hearing your voice might be exactly what that person needs at that very moment.

Is the future uncertain? Yes. But the truth is, the future is always uncertain. We never really know what the future holds. And it is always the best policy to live a loving, giving life.

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As Ellis County Judge Todd Little addressed the county commissioners at their special meeting on April 3, he remarked, "The weight on your shoulders and my shoulders has been different this last three weeks than it has been the previous 15 months." Even though one of the budget line items that was created in Judge Little's first year on the bench was for emergency management, he admitted no one could have predicted that the COVID-19 pandemic would be the emergency.

"We prepared for natural disasters, an enemy we could see like water from a flood or buildings damaged by hail or a tornado. We put \$300,000 in the budget for emergency contingencies. We wanted to be pro-active and do things like draw up a map of all facilities in the county that house hazardous chemicals. I could still remember hearing the blast from the West, Texas, explosion as I shot hoops in my driveway. Having spent a career in insurance and risk-management, I knew emergency management was something that comes with the title of County Judge. We have emergency response companies that have already pre-bid their services if we have to respond to a chemical spill on the highway."

Everyone would agree that responding to a worldwide pandemic, which really does potentially affect everyone, required quick thinking and response. The timeline up to this point included just hearing about the virus during the first week in March, then responding quickly with a Disaster Declaration to begin protecting communities on March 17. That was a seven-day order. "I had met with county department heads on March 9, and convened what we call our 'task force' when the order was issued. The task force included the mayors and

superintendents of most of the cities in the county, and we stood together as one when we issued the declaration. On the evening after we issued the first order, we received notice from our County Local Health Authority identifying the first confirmed positive case of COVID-19 in Ellis County."

The school superintendents from around the county were looking to the county government for direction. "The schools were out for spring break, and if we did not act quickly, all of the students would be back in school with the potential of rapidly spreading the virus. The positive response from the schools has been great. The first order gave them authority to extend spring break for another week."

In every city across the county, there are trained emergency coordinators. All of them have training in the National Incident Command System (NICS). The Incident Command System is identified on the FEMA website as, "A management system designed to enable effective and efficient domestic incident management by integrating a combination of facilities, equipment, personnel, procedures and communications operating within a common organizational structure. ICS is normally structured to facilitate activities in five Isicl major functional areas: command, operations, planning, logistics, Intelligence & Investigations, finance and administration. It is a fundamental form of management, with the purpose of enabling incident managers to identify the key concerns associated with the incident — often under urgent conditions — without sacrificing attention to any component of the command system."

Judge Little pointed out that most police and fire chiefs have this training. "Once an emergency happens, a process begins that is called the chain of command. While larger counties have a department of health, smaller counties generally do not have one, and Ellis County has never had one. While we might not have the same resources as a larger county to handle a pandemic, our communities here are strong and resilient, and together we will overcome COVID-19.

"Something Ellis County is blessed

with that most counties our size do not have is a strong medical network. This three-hospital network includes Baylor Scott & White in Waxahachie, Ennis Regional Medical Center and the new Methodist Midlothian Medical Center, which is scheduled to open later this year. That will make three full-service hospital emergency rooms available in our county."

The judge admitted that COVID-19 surprised a lot of us because it arrived so quickly. "Our close proximity to the Metroplex would have to be a contributing factor, particularly in our hardest hit communities, where so many residents commute to the large cities."

The economic effect of the virus will take a toll on the county, but not as severely as on the city budgets. "The cities depend more heavily on sales tax revenue, and closed businesses with the employees on furlough will be a drain.

The majority of the county budget is from property taxes, and there is a longterm effect from the economic downturn that will potentially affect property values. In another proactive step, The Ellis County Commissioners' Court voted unanimously 5-0 to approve a resolution to go to the State of Texas for property tax relief, by freezing appraisal values at the 2019 limits.

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Communicating accurate information
to the citizens is a priority in the county,
as rumors tend to spread quickly through
social media. Residents are urged to
follow the Ellis County TX Government
Facebook page, where the information
is timely, accurate and direct from the
source. Today, the county page has

"There is a lot of information on social media, but I would also direct people to the official county website, https://co.ellis.tx.us where residents can access the resources and the most recent COVID-19 information in Ellis County."

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the pandemic began, there were

about 5,000.



MANAGEMENT

— By Bill Smith







Besides the physical health impact and the economic impact of the pandemic, Judge Little also recognizes, and relates to, the psychological impact the virus is having on individuals and families. The judge explained, "Babies are affected because their mothers are affected. Young boys are affected because their fathers are affected. Perhaps this is the first time parents have been unable to go to work and provide the support they need. Grandparents and grandchildren are missing each other."

Of course, we all want to see a return to normalcy, we want things the way they were, but is it possible to see something positive as we stay at home? Judge Little mentioned how families were finding creative ways to relate, perhaps re-living some time before many of us were consumed by social media. "Just last night, my family and I sat around our dinner table, talking until 2:00 a.m. We just had a long conversation. There was no high school or Little League game to go to, so that's what we did instead. We were together as a family, and it was just us. Our church is in our home right now. We are all lifting each other up. We have to look for the hope in things.

"As a former mayor," Judge Little said, "I can tell you that every mayor I have met and talked with during this time has been interested in taking care of their individual communities. We are blessed in Ellis County to have mayors. All are very concerned and very considerate



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in caring for their populations. This has been a surprise for all of them, and they have been resilient. They have all shown strength, and I believe they understand the importance of taking care of their people. They've done a great job working with their first responders and their city councils to make it easier on their citizens. This has not been easy on anyone, but they work very hard to lift the burden from their citizens. They understand the emotional and financial drain people are feeling. I really believe they have a great sense of empathy for their constituents, and they have always been team players, working and finding solutions to COVID-19."

At times like these, people turn to their faith for strength, wisdom and guidance. Judge Little has been truly appreciative of all of the support, encouragement and prayers he has received from so many. Ellis County citizens have been doing a good job, cancelling events and festivals like the Polka Festival in Ennis and the Scarborough Renaissance Festival in Waxahachie, and it is important to continue following the guidelines established by the governor and the CDC. Quoting II Timothy 1:7, "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind," Judge Little indicated that he does not want citizens to live in fear, but to use wisdom in their daily activities.

"When this is over, things will be different," Judge Little said. "The economy will be different. I think we will see things based less on quantity and more on quality, and more hope, and more community action. And we can build momentum together into the future, and do it even better than before." NOW





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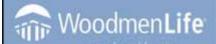
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#### Zoomed In:

By Susan Simmons

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"We are working at home, doing our best to keep customers afloat during all this," Bryan Frye shared. When he and Joyce Sebesta's workday is over, they enjoy online Scrabble, board games, dominoes and watching movies.

"Bryan also loves to play his guitar, and I enjoy baking to pass the time," Joyce added happily.



Jamie Nealy does her part to flatten the curve by staying inside and putting together a jigsaw puzzle.



Chuck Fitzhugh enjoys a warm spring morning barbecuing with his dog, Butch, who hungrily anticipates lunch time.



Heather Howton works the drive-through window at Chick-fil-A while keeping herself and her customers safe.



Colin Lightsey studies on ABC Mouse while his mom, Howard Junior High's Teacher of the Year, works remotely with her students.



Larry Hester shops at Target while safely observing social distancing and wearing a mask.



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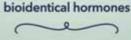
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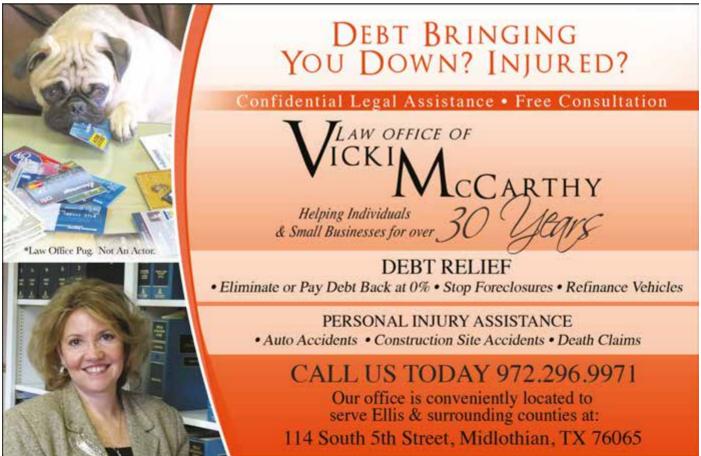


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Born and raised in Texas, Shana McKnight Bruner grew up eating Southern, downhome food. One of her favorite activities when she was a child was to help in the kitchen and learn her mom's favorite recipes. "There is always just something about Mama's food that makes me feel like I'm home when I eat it," Shana said. "My friends always loved her fried chicken and her chalupas. My parents have passed now, and yet, when I cook their meals, it's like they are still here with us."

Shana explained that her kids will often ask her if she is cooking her food or Granny's food. "When friends ask me for her recipes, they are always shocked that they are so simple!" NOW

#### Stuffed Shells

- I box jumbo shell pasta
- 2 lbs. ground beef
- 2 24-oz. jars garlic and herb spaghetti sauce
- 1 egg
- 1 6-oz. bag Parmesan cheese, shredded
- I tsp. oregano
- I tsp. basil
- 1 tsp. minced garlic
- 1 15-oz. container ricotta cheese
- 1 8-oz. bag mozzarella cheese, shredded
- **I.** Boil shells: rinse with cold water.
- 2. Cook meat; add spaghetti sauce.
- **3.** Mix egg, Parmesan cheese, oregano, basil, garlic and ricotta cheese.

- **4.** Stuff the cooked shells with the ricotta mixture.
- **5.** Cover the bottom of a pan with a thin layer of the meat sauce. Place the stuffed pasta shells in rows on top of the meat sauce.
- **6.** Cover the shells with the remaining meat sauce; top with the shredded mozzarella cheese.
- **7.** Bake for 30 minutes at 400 F. Serve with a salad.

#### Chocolate Pie

- I deep-dish frozen piecrust
- 1 5-oz. box Jell-O Cook & Serve Chocolate Pudding Mix
- 3 cups milk

#### 1 Tbsp. pure vanilla extract 1 8-oz. tub Cool Whip

- **1.** Bake the piecrust according to the package directions; let cool.
- **2.** Stir together pudding mix, milk and vanilla extract.
- **3.** Cook over medium-low heat, stirring well, until the pudding thickens.
- **4.** Remove from heat; pour mixture into the baked and cooled piecrust.
- **5.** Place plastic wrap over the pudding until it is cooled.
- 6. Top with Cool Whip.

#### Chalupas

- 1 26-oz. can Ranch Style Beans
- 1 lb. hamburger meat
- I medium onion, chopped

Yellow corn tortillas, 1 per chalupa Vegetable oil, enough for frying

Salt, to taste

Pepper, to taste

Lettuce, shredded, to taste

Tomatoes, chopped, to taste

Sharp cheddar cheese, shredded, to taste Sour cream, to taste

- **I.** Puree the Ranch Style Beans.
- 2. In a skillet, cook the meat with the onions.
- 3. Fry the corn tortillas in vegetable oil.
- 4. Mix the beans with the meat mixture. Add salt and pepper; heat thoroughly.
- 5. When hot, spread the meat/bean mixture on a tortilla.
- **6.** Top with lettuce, tomatoes, shredded cheddar cheese and sour cream, to taste. Repeat steps 5 and 6 for each chalupa.

#### **Chicken Alfredo Spaghetti**

- 3 large chicken breasts
- I small box spaghetti noodles
- 1 16-oz. jar Alfredo sauce
- 2 10-oz. cans cream of chicken soup
- 3 Tbsp. lemon pepper

Parmesan cheese, shredded

- 1. Boil chicken; shred.
- 2. Cook the spaghetti noodles according to package directions.
- 3. Combine Alfredo sauce, chicken, cream of chicken soup and lemon pepper; heat well.
- **4.** Mix the noodles with the sauce; top with Parmesan cheese.

#### Mama's Banana Pudding

- 2 cups milk
- 1 5-oz. box instant vanilla pudding
- 1 8-oz. can sweetened condensed milk
- 1 8-oz. tub Cool Whip
- I box vanilla wafers
- 6-8 bananas, sliced
- I. In a bowl, combine the milk and instant vanilla pudding.
- 2. In a separate bowl, combine the condensed milk and Cool Whip. Mix both combinations together.
- 3. Layer vanilla wafers, banana slices and pudding mixture in several layers in a 9x13inch glass pan, saving a few cookies to finish out the top.
- 4. Let set in the refrigerator for at least a few hours before serving.

#### **Oven Brisket**

- 1 8- to 10-lb, brisket
- 1 7-oz. pkg. Bolner's Fiesta Extra Fancy **Brisket Rub Seasoning Foil**
- 2 4-oz. bottles liquid smoke
- **I.** Set brisket out for a few hours until it reaches room temperature.
- 2. Rub both sides of the brisket with the seasoning.
- 3. Line a roasting pan with foil, allowing enough to wrap over the top of the brisket.







- **4.** Place the brisket, fatty side up, in the foil-lined pan.
- **5.** Pour both bottles of liquid smoke over the brisket; cover with the foil.
- **6.** Place in the oven. Cook at 225 F for 10 hours.

#### Shredded Chicken Tacos

- 4 chicken breasts, skinless, boneless 2 pkgs. taco seasoning
- 1 10- to 12-oz. jar On The Border Salsa

- I 15-oz. can black beans
   I 15.25-oz. can whole kernel corn
   Flour tortillas
   Fiesta blend cheese, shredded
- **1.** Add chicken breasts, seasoning and salsa to a Crock-Pot.
- **2.** Add black beans and corn. Cook on low for 5-6 hours.
- **3.** Take out the chicken breasts; shred. Add the meat back to the Crock-Pot; mix.
- **4.** Roll the mixture in warm flour tortillas; top with cheese and any other topping you may choose.

#### **Heavenly Hash**

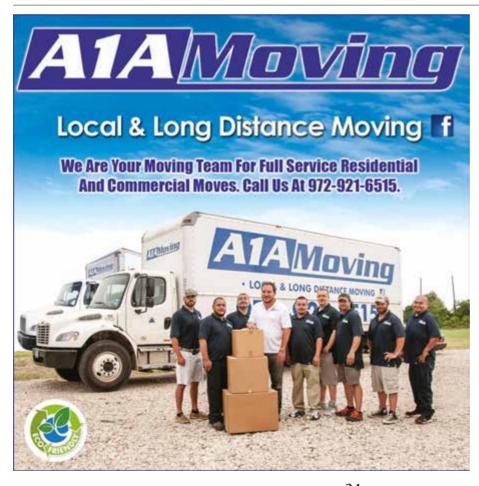
- 1 6-oz. box strawberry instant gelatin mix
- 1 5.25-oz. can fruit cocktail
- 2 bananas, sliced
- 2 apples, diced
- 1 tub Cool Whip
- **I.** Mix strawberry gelatin according to package directions.

- **2.** Add fruit cocktail, sliced bananas and diced apples.
- **3.** Place in the refrigerator; allow to set.
- **4.** After the mixture is set, stir in the Cool Whip.

#### **Beef Enchiladas**

May substitute shredded chicken for the beef, if desired.

- 2 lbs. ground beef
  2 pkgs. taco seasoning
  Corn tortillas, I for each enchilada
  38 oz. canned mild enchilada red sauce
  (divided use)
- 1 16-oz. can refried beans 16 oz. fiesta blend cheese, shredded (divided use)
- **1.** In a skillet, cook ground beef with the taco seasoning.
- 2. Dunk the tortillas in the red sauce.
- **3.** Spread refried beans on one side of each tortilla. Place the ground beef on top of the beans. Top with shredded cheese.
- **4.** Fold ends under and roll up each tortilla. Line up the enchiladas in a 9x l3-inch baking pan.
- **5.** Pour remaining red sauce and cheese over the enchiladas; bake at 350 F for 45 minutes.





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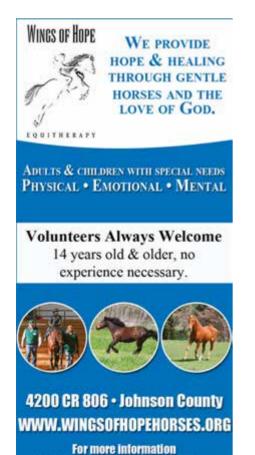


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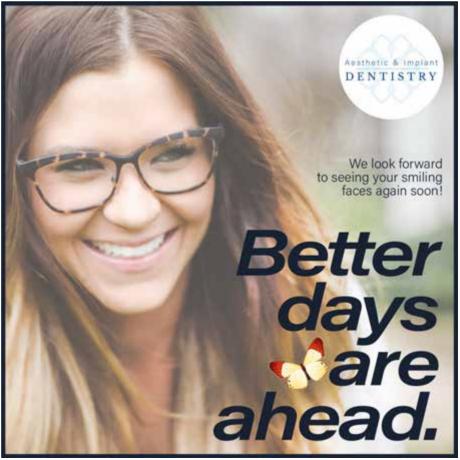
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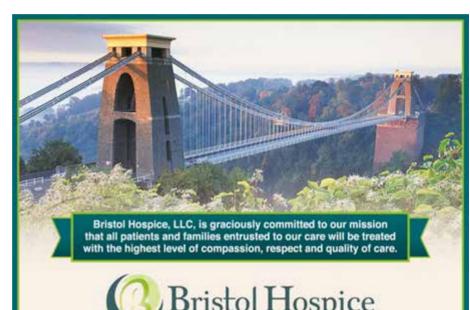
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### Small Space Gardening

— By Virginia Riddle

"People are starting to understand their vegetables don't grow at the supermarket," one harried, garden center store clerk said during the beginning of the COVID-19 social distancing policy, as supermarket shortages occurred. That was the way she explained the rows and rows of beautiful floral choices and only one lonely mint plant remaining on the empty vegetable shelves. The farm-to-table and urban farming movements were already catching on in urban areas with millennials leading the way, but with more free time at home and motivation derived from fewer available foods, the pace has accelerated in suburban areas.

Improving access to fresh foods is the main goal of smallspace gardeners, whether they're individuals growing veggies

in pots on apartment patios or balconies, or co-ops growing produce on vacant lots. A large tract of land isn't necessary.

Other benefits include fresh air, catching the sun's rays and doing something the whole family can enjoy — all of which are important to boosting one's immune system and keeping a healthy mental outlook. Homeschooled students can learn important skills. So, let's start growing together!

An inexpensive way to obtain plants is by planting seeds. Also, some vegetables can be rooted, such as celery and onions, from parts of the plants. Start seeds in seed trays or any small container, such as recycled yogurt cups with a hole punched in the bottom. By May, however, it's best to purchase small plants from nurseries, since the plants need to be well-established by summer's heat. Good container vegetable choices for summer and fall include patio tomatoes and herbs, such as chives. Potatoes, onions, carrots and leafy greens generally enjoy late winter/early spring climates. Larger spaces are required for most root vegetables, peppers and vine vegetables. Some flowering plants, such as marigolds and several herbs, help ward off harmful insects and can add color to vegetable plantings.

Most vegetables need six to eight hours of sunlight, and all require water, but otherwise, creativity is allowed in garden

planning. A patio, deck, balcony, alleyway, window boxes, window sills or vacant spots between buildings are all options.

A container can be as inexpensive as purchasing a bag of potting soil, cutting two X's into the bag and planting a tomato into each X. Potatoes can be planted in black trash bags filled with potting soil. More expensive containers can be bought to enhance the landscape or home decor, but the vegetable doesn't care. It only wants room to grow and drain. Bathtubs, barrels, tubs, boxes, hanging baskets, plastic pipe, urns and self-watering containers are all possibilities. Punch several holes in the container's bottom, and add a layer of gravel for drainage. Top the gravel with potting soil. For baskets, use a readymade coconut liner or structure a lining from sphagnum moss before adding potting soil. Container plants must be watered often, so make sure you have a water source and watering can or softspray hose attachment nearby. When the soil is dry a half-inch down, it's time to water. Feed plants regularly according to the fertilizer package instructions.

If you have a yard or vacant lot, raised beds or a tilled garden area can provide the space for rows of larger plants, such as corn and beans. Remember, however, a larger space requires more time, care and equipment to plant, water and maintain. More expensive equipment can be rented, as needed.

Purchasing a hydroponic system or creating one from recycled plastic bottles is also another option for small outdoor or indoor spaces if artificial light is used. Costs range depending on needs and size.

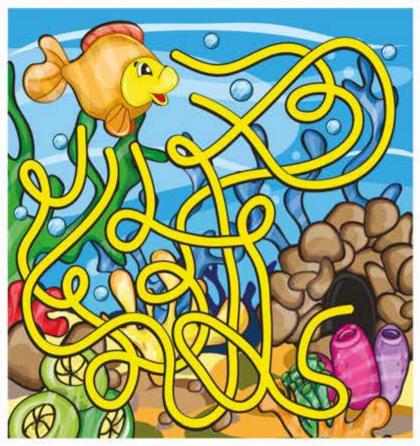
Many vegetables, like tomatoes, must be staked early in growth for stability. Frames, trellises, stakes and ties can be purchased or created from materials at home. Panty hose or rags cut into strips make great ties!

With care, vegetables may be harvested from late spring until the first frost. For best taste, harvest in the morning. An overabundance of produce can be dropped off on the porches of family, friends and neighbors or donated to an area food pantry. And don't forget that canning, freezing or dehydrating are ways to preserve the bounty for the winter months. NOW





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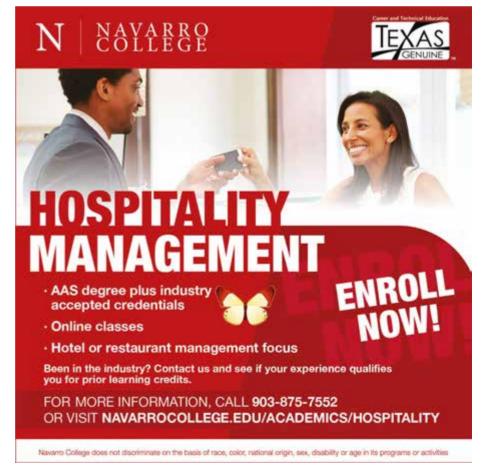
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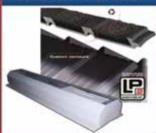


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