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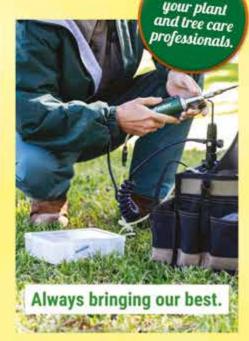
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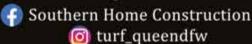
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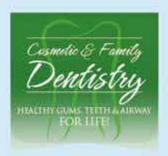
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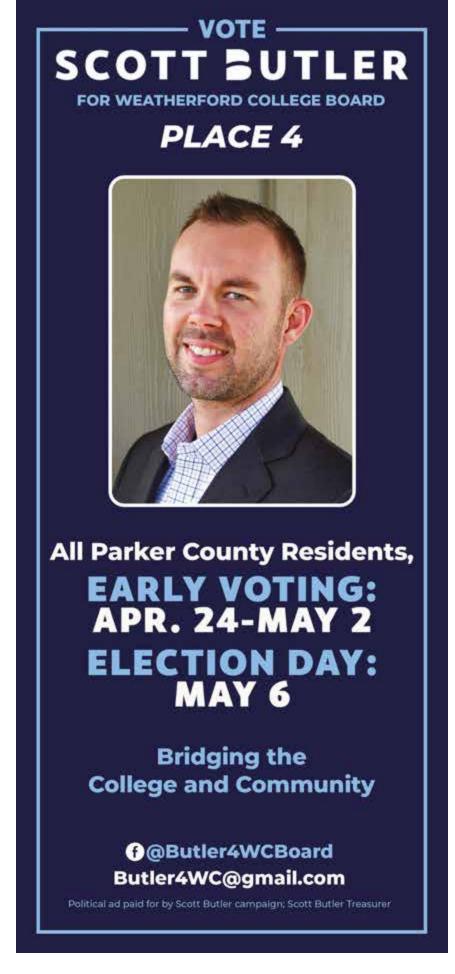
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EDITOR'S NOTE

"May the 4th" be with you!

The phrase, made popular by *Star Wars* fans, refers to the famous movie quote, "May the force be with you." The statement is meant to wish someone luck, and as the month of May gets underway, I wish you days of positivity and productivity.

May is a whirlwind for many as the school year comes to a close. Families are planning summer vacations, carving out time on May 14 to celebrate the mother figures in their lives and reflecting on the importance of the military members who lost their lives for our freedoms. With all the busyness of May, it is important to appreciate these moments and our familial support system, which might include pets that provide companionship and unconditional love.

May is recognized as Be Kind to Animals Month, which celebrates the human-animal bond and raises awareness of animal welfare issues. In this issue of *WeatherfordNOW*, Ashlyn Neeley discusses her volunteer efforts to showcase animals anxiously awaiting adoption at the Weatherford Parker County Animal Shelter.

As the summer season begins, why not research all that comes with pet adoption or fostering a pet? If this responsibility is not for you, volunteering for a nonprofit animal group could better fit your lifestyle. If you prefer a different type of volunteer service, find an organization in the local community where you can share your time. From nonprofits that help feed and clothe area residents to others that offer afternoons spent with seniors and more, there are numerous ways to serve others. If you choose to embark on a volunteer journey, "May the force be with you!"

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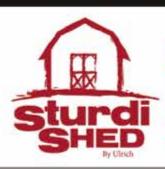
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Most people living in the modern world have spent a few moments watching videos of pets being reunited with owners. They have seen photographs capturing the change in mood of canine companions before and after adoption, or many have read news reports of lost cats trekking hundreds of miles to find their homes. These videos, pictures and media reports show the emotion behind pet ownership and the unconditional love a furry family member can bestow upon its owners.



Ashlyn Neeley uses her video creation skills to help animals at the Weatherford Parker County Animal Shelter find their forever homes. Ashlyn is a junior at Aledo High School, and when she's not cheering on the sidelines as a member of the varsity cheer squad, she spends hours socializing animals at the shelter and creating social media posts to show the world what these potential pets have to offer a future family.

Much of her volunteer work is spent socializing the dogs. "I play with them, walk them, take pictures and videos to help them get adopted," Ashlyn said. "I just liked being with animals, and I wanted to do volunteer work. So, I thought I would do it at an animal shelter," Ashlyn explained.

She began her journey volunteering at the shelter in March 2021 alongside her mother, Kari Neeley. When looking for a place to volunteer, Ashlyn and Kari were impressed by the cleanliness and staff at the Weatherford Parker County Animal Shelter. "They have a really good group of dedicated volunteers whose main mission is to get these dogs good homes," Kari said.

Ashlyn has helped dozens of animals get adopted over the past couple of years. The volunteers at the shelter frequently hear stories from people wanting to adopt a pet that they saw videos and photos of, which drew them to the shelter. One story shared by Kari describes how a tugboat captain in Galveston saw the photos of his future pet online, drove to Weatherford and adopted the dog. "It makes me proud of her that she's trying to help these dogs out," Kari shared. "She's really good with them. People say she's a dog whisperer. She's good at training them and getting them to do the command."

SHE HAS NO FEAR OF THE ANIMALS AND ENJOYS SHOWCASING THEIR PERSONALITIES THROUGH VIDEOS AND PHOTOGRAPHS.







Ashlyn does not necessarily agree with the saying, "You can't teach an old dog new tricks," because she has been able to teach many aging dogs how to walk on a leash, sit and other commands. Ashlyn and her family adopted an Aussie, Trixie, and she has taught the very active dog about 20 commands since bringing her home. "Sit, shake, lay, high-five, rollover, play dead, spin," Ashlyn said. "She knows how to ring the bell to go inside and outside."

When taking a video or photograph of the dogs, Ashlyn tries to capture their personalities. She often includes snippets of tricks they have learned, whether they are more active or calm and how comfortable they are walking with a leash. When creating videos, she tries to plan what she wants the dog to perform, and oftentimes, she includes facts about certain breeds, if she knows the specific breed, as well as approximate age.

Ashlyn volunteers about four hours each Sunday — if she is not busy with cheer. She has cheered for the Aledo Independent School District since eighth grade and enjoys the excitement of the crowds at pep rallies and playoff games. Varsity cheer keeps her busy throughout the school year with practice during the week, varsity football games on Fridays in the fall and basketball games during the winter. Competition season also kicks off during the second semester. "So, if there's not a competition, I try to go to the shelter," Ashlyn said.

She has no fear of the animals and enjoys showcasing their personalities through videos and photographs. To

snap the best photo, Ashlyn makes silly noises to get the dog's attention. She might make an animal noise or use a squeaky toy to coax the animal to look her way for the picture. Ashlyn uses her smart phone to create and post the videos on TikTok, and then they are posted on the Friends of Weatherford Shelter Pets Facebook page. Volunteers and staff at the shelter then share the posts on their personal pages to reach a wider audience.

Ashlyn enjoys volunteering with her mother at the shelter; for Weatherford Wags, recently founded by Deborah Haller; and iRescue. They volunteer at off-site adoption events to help animals find permanent homes. "We get to spend more time with each other. We both like animals," Ashlyn shared.



With graduation day one year away, Kari is soaking up every minute of her time spent with her daughter. "It's flown by. I can't believe she is going to be a senior," Kari said. "It's nice that we have something that we both enjoy together."

This summer, Ashlyn would like to work at an animal boarding facility in addition to her volunteer efforts with local animal groups. In the fall of 2023, her senior year will begin. "I'm excited that I'm almost done with high school." After graduation, she plans to attend Weatherford College and then transfer to a four-year university. She would like to study animal behavior in college to learn more about how to train animals. Until then, Ashlyn will enjoy her senior year and focus on National Honor Society, her extracurricular activities and, of course, helping local animals find forever homes. NOW





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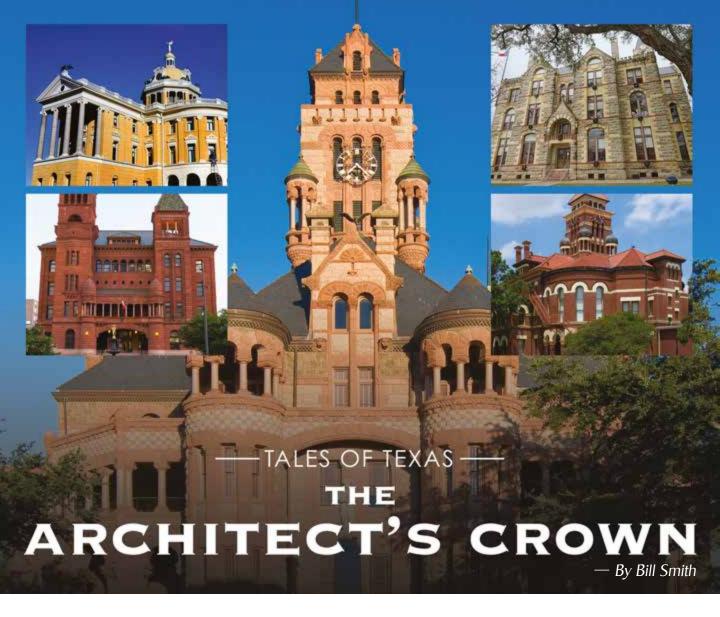
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The well-known Ellis County Courthouse, while unique in many respects, also has similarities with other Texas courthouses. Several Texas county seats can boast of their offices being housed in buildings designed by the nationally recognized architect, James Riely Gordon. Gordon designed as many as 18 Texas courthouses — 12 of them are still standing — plus a number of other government and commercial buildings and private residences throughout the state. However, when researching information on him, the first picture that appears in most articles is of the Ellis County Courthouse, often said to be his crowning achievement.

In the book, *Texas*, by James Michener, Gordon's Ellis County icon is referred to as "a fairy-tale palace 10 stories high, replete with battlements and turrets and spires and soaring clock towers and miniature castles high in the air. It was a bejeweled treasure, yet it was also a sturdy,

massive court of judgments, one of the finest buildings in Texas." As much acclaim as Gordon has for the edifice, he was never employed as architect by the county. Instead, his plans were sold to the county, and county officials hired Fort Worth architect Marshal Sanguinet as consultant and construction supervisor.

Gordon may have learned at least part of his craft from his civil engineer father, and after moving from his 1863 birthplace in Virginia to San Antonio, Texas, in the early 1870s, he joined the civil engineer corps of the International-Great Northern Railroad at age 14. Gordon never pursued a university degree in architecture, instead he began his career as a draftsman in 1881 for architect William K. Dobson in San Antonio and later J.N. Preston & Son. In 1884, he opened his own San Antonio office with established architect Frederick Shelton.

Being in the right place at the right time has probably influenced a number of great careers, and none is likely to surpass that of Gordon. In 1881, the Texas Legislature passed a bill allowing counties to borrow funds to build public buildings. Primitive courthouses around the state were often constructed of wood (even log structures) and subject to fire and storm damage. The bill passed in 1881 allowed counties to build larger buildings of much more substantial construction. Many of the buildings were enormous and attractive, contributing to the development of the courthouse squares and growth of the county seats.

From 1889 to 1902, Gordon designed 18 courthouses across the

Lone Star State. This was considered the golden age of Texas courthouses, and a nice road trip around the state could include a visit to these magnificent buildings. Besides Ellis County, your trip could include Bexar, Comal, Erath, Fayette, Gonzales, Harrison, Hopkins, Lee, McLennan, Victoria and Wise. Some of the buildings that are still standing have been repurposed. Others have been restored and still serve as the seat of their county government.

The Ellis County Courthouse is of Richardsonian Romanesque style, as was the 1894 Brazoria County Courthouse, which no longer stands. Other courthouses designed by Gordon were Romanesque Revival, Beaux-Arts or a blend of styles.

A beautiful home that Gordon designed in 1892 still stands in San Antonio. The George Kalteyer House is of Romanesque Revival style. According to sahouseregistry.com, "It is one of the most architecturally significant structures on this noted street. Gordon was best known as a super courthouse designer, but he was an excellent residential designer as well. This house, with its abundance of polychromed arches, reflects the architect's mastery of the Romanesque Revival of the 1880s. The fine interior finishes have been fully restored. The majority of Gordon's domestic work has unfortunately been long since demolished, making this specimen all the more important."

In 1886, Gordon's first major job was supervising the construction of the Federal Courthouse and Post Office in San Antonio, Texas. In 1892, he won a medal of merit for his design of the Texas Building at the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago. His most important work outside of Texas was probably the Arizona Capitol in 1898.

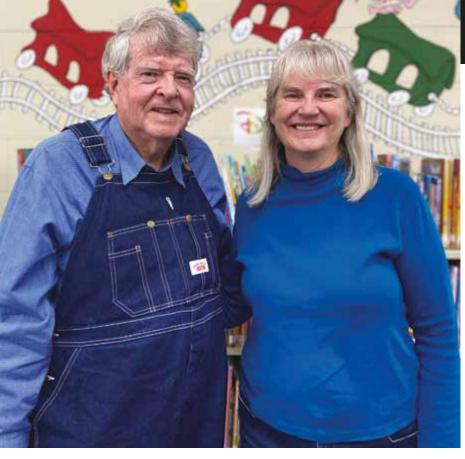
The Texas State Historical Association indicates, "Gordon maintained several offices in Texas, one in Shreveport, Louisiana, and another in Phoenix, Arizona." However, in 1902, he moved to New York. His reputation as a great architect was well established, and he served as president of the New York Society of Architects. His career spanned nearly 60 years, with much of his most noted work still standing in Texas. Ironically, no mention of Texas was recorded in his obituary in *The New* York Times in 1937. NOW

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Around Town



Jessy Jensen volunteers at the Tarrant Area Food Bank Community Garden.

Zoomed In:

By Amber D. Browne

Thomas and SuAnne McBroom

Each week, Thomas and SuAnne McBroom spend their Wednesdays volunteering at the East Parker County Library. They began volunteering in 2010 after moving to the area. Thomas sorts and organizes the books to make sure library visitors can easily find what they are looking for on the shelves. "Because I used to be a school librarian, I enjoy working with the people and helping kids find books," SuAnne said.

The Aledo library has a lot to offer including Storytime each month, computers and, of course, a variety of reading materials. "I would encourage people to come. The librarians are helpful in finding information or helping you find a fun book to read," SuAnne said.



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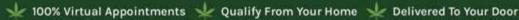
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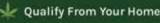
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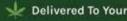
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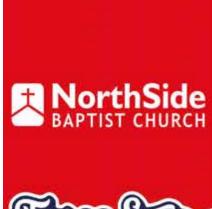
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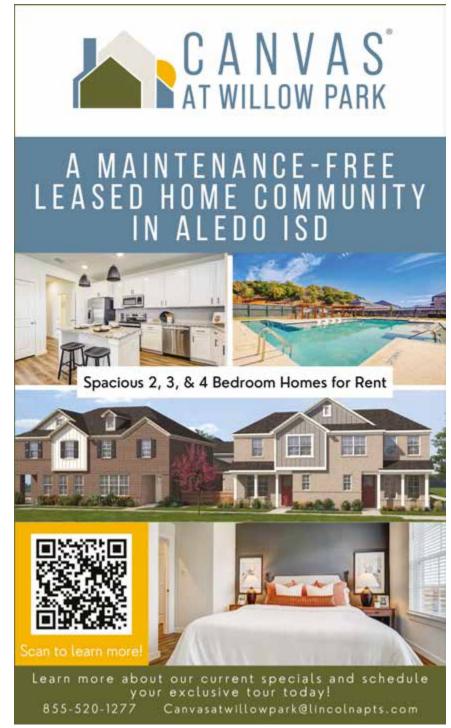
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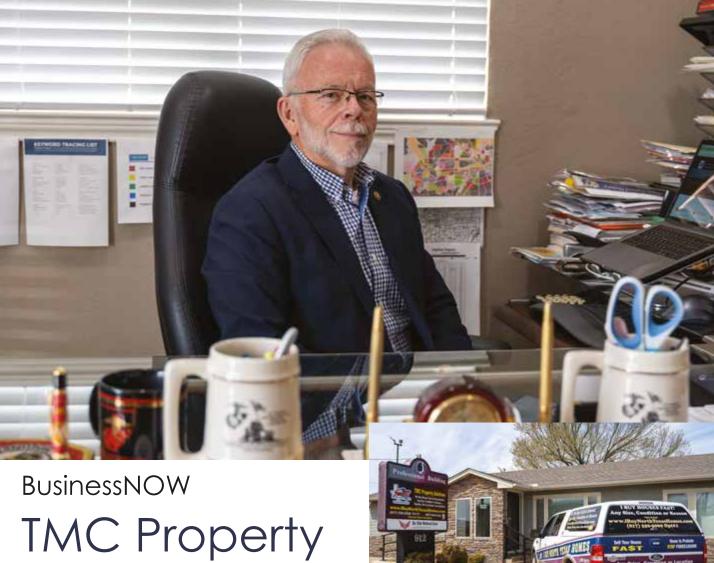
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could be going through a divorce, lost a job or are transferring to another duty station in the military. Whatever the issue, TMC Property Solutions will work with the homeowners to "Sell Their House Fast and close quickly."

"We want to make the solution very simple and straightforward for whatever situation they're in," Tim said. A quick chat about the property with TMC Property Solutions will begin the process. If the property meets their criteria, TMC Property Solutions will set an appointment to view the house, make a no-obligation offer and close in as little as seven days.

"We don't charge any closing costs or commissions. The number is the number, and that makes it really simple for people to do the math," Tim said. "All of the repairs, the updates, cleaning, things like that, are all taken into consideration in our analysis and offer. Our goal is to make the sale of your home as simple as possible."

If TMC Property Solutions purchases a home, Tim might decide to sell as-is to another buyer, rent or update the home to sell. "We are very fussy about flipping houses." For

a house flip, TMC Property Solutions will make necessary repairs, as well as updates and upgrades, before putting the home on the market. He will then list the home with Realtors, Devon and Alberto Reyes, to sell the home.

Tim has not always bought and sold houses. Several decades ago, he retired from the United States Marine Corps and moved to Weatherford. He began working as a senior logistics manager for BAE Systems at Lockheed Martin, supporting the F-35 program. A recurring thought to start a business gave Tim the push he needed to educate himself about real estate investing. Tim said he didn't want to reinvent the wheel, so he attended seminars and took courses to learn all he could about the industry. "I wanted to learn from other people who had been through all the aches and pains of learning the business."

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Classes, research and experience taught him everything about real estate investing, "Buying, selling, marketing, how to talk to sellers, how to negotiate, how to write contracts, how to do a rehab, how to estimate the repair cost, how to estimate the value," he explained.

While working full time at Lockheed, Tim started investing in real estate part time. Business was great, so he decided to give a one-year notice, allowing his employer ample time to find his replacement. Six years after moving to Weatherford, he began working in real estate investing full time.

And now, 23 years after his first real estate investing class, Tim's business is going strong. Tim continues to educate himself about the business, and in his free time, he educates others through his real estate investors group, The West DFW REI Group. "We focus on beginner investors to seasoned investors to help them take their business to the next level." NOW









Baking and canning are Crystal Malwitz's two favorite ways to spend her time in the kitchen. "Every time I cook, my three daughters join in to help. I love teaching them as much as they love to learn," Crystal said.

As a child, Crystal did not pay much attention to how her mother cooked. "It wasn't until I was older that I became more interested in learning how to bake and prepare meals." However, Crystal would spend time with her Polish grandparents and learned how to make applesauce, jams and breads.

Crystal's father-in-law taught her how to make his chicken noodle soup, known as Papa's Soup. "I can share the basic recipe with you," Crystal said, "but know you have to put your heart and love into the soup." NOW

Homemade Fries

Crisco oil 6 large potatoes, cut into medium-size wedges Salt, to taste

- 1. In a large frying pan, add oil until 1-inch deep. Heat on medium to high heat.
- 2. Once the oil is hot, carefully place the potato wedges in the grease; fry until golden

brown. Fry a little longer for crispier fries. **3.** Scoop with a slotted spoon; drain excess grease. Sprinkle with salt; enjoy!

Potato Pancakes

6 potatoes, washed, peeled and grated 1 egg

- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. baking powder
- 4-5 Tbsp. flour

1/2 cup onion, grated (optional) Crisco oil

- **1.** Drain the excess water from the potatoes. Add the potatoes to a large bowl; mix in the egg and the next 3 ingredients. Add the onions, if desired; form into patties.
- 2. Add enough oil to a large skillet to cover the bottom; heat the oil to medium to high heat. Add the patties; fry until golden brown.
- 3. Remove from heat; drain excess oil before serving.

Applesauce Canning

8 1-qt. canning jars

- 12 lbs. apples, washed, peeled, cored and sliced
- 3 cups sugar (optional)
- 4 Tbsp. lemon juice

Water

White vinegar

1. To sterilize mason jars: Place cleaned jars right side up in a canner pot; fill with water to 1-inch above the jar tops. Boil for 10 minutes. In a separate pot on low heat, add the jar rings and lids. Add water until covered and warm.

- **2.** In large pot on medium heat, add one batch of apple slices and a small amount of water so the apples do not burn. Stir occasionally until tender. Transfer to The Food Mill or a food processor with a metal blade; puree until smooth. Continue the process until all the apples are pureed.
- **3.** Add the pureed apples to a saucepan. Add the sugar and lemon juice. Boil on medium to high heat; stir frequently. Maintain a gentle boil over low heat.
- **4.** Scoop the applesauce into the hot mason jars. Leave 1/2-inch head space in the jars. Remove all air bubbles, if necessary; add extra applesauce to adjust the headspace.
- **5.** Clean the excess applesauce off the jar rims with a damp paper towel dipped in white vinegar. Center the lids on the jars; screw the rims on the iars.
- **6.** Place the jars back into the hot canner; cover completely with water. Bring the canner back to a boil; boil for 20 minutes. Remove the canner lid. Wait 5 minutes; remove the jars to cool.
- **7.** Once the jars have cooled for 24 hours, take off the rims; check the lids to make sure they are sealed. Replace the rims. Label and store in a cool, dry place.

Papa's Soup

- 1 2- to 3-lb. pkg. split chicken breasts with bone in
- 1 2- to 3-lb. pkg. chicken thighs, skin and bone
- I celery stalk, diced
- I medium onion, diced
- 5 fresh carrots, diced
- 3-4 Tbsp. Knorr chicken bouillon, to taste
- 1 12-oz. bag egg noodles
- **I.** Boil the chicken in a pot of water. Once the chicken is cooked, remove from water; set aside.
- **2.** Add the veggies to the pot; boil until tender.
- **3.** Debone the chicken. Remove the skin; cut the chicken. Return the chicken to the pot with the vegetables. Add 1 Tbsp. chicken bouillon at a time. Taste to check salt level.
- **4.** Cook the noodles separately, per package directions. Add the noodles to the pot; stir to combine.

Pecan Cookies

1 cup butter

I cup powdered sugar (divided use)

1 tsp. vanilla

2 cups all-purpose flour

1/4 tsp. salt

I cup pecans, finely chopped







- **1.** Preheat the oven to 325 F In a medium bowl, blend together the butter, 1/2 cup powdered sugar and the vanilla.
- **2.** In a separate bowl, combine the flour, salt and pecans. Add the dry mixture to the wet mixture; combine well.
- **3.** Form into balls; place on a greased or parchment paper-lined cookie sheet. Bake at 325 F for 20 minutes. Remove from the oven; let cool. Roll in the remaining 1/2 cup powdered sugar.

Homemade Hamburgers

- I lb. ground beefI tsp. black pepper
- 1 tsp. onion powder

I tsp. garlic salt

1/4 cup Italian breadcrumbs

1/4 cup Parmesan cheese

2 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce

l egg

1. In a medium bowl, mix together all the ingredients. Form into patties. Grill on low to medium heat until brown in the middle.

2. Serve the patties on a bun with cheese, mustard, mayo, pickles, lettuce and a side of Homemade Fries.

Peanut Butter Cookies

1 cup peanut butter

1 cup sugar

I egg I tsp. vanilla HERSHEY'S KISSES (optional)

- **1.** Preheat the oven to 350 F. Mix together all ingredients until a dough forms.
- **2.** Place 1 to 1 1/2-inch dough balls on a greased or parchment paper-lined cookie sheet. Bake at 350 F for 10-12 minutes.
- **3.** If desired, add 1 HERSHEY'S KISS in the middle of each cookie once removed from the oven. The chocolate will slightly melt into the cookies, giving you that added yummy factor.

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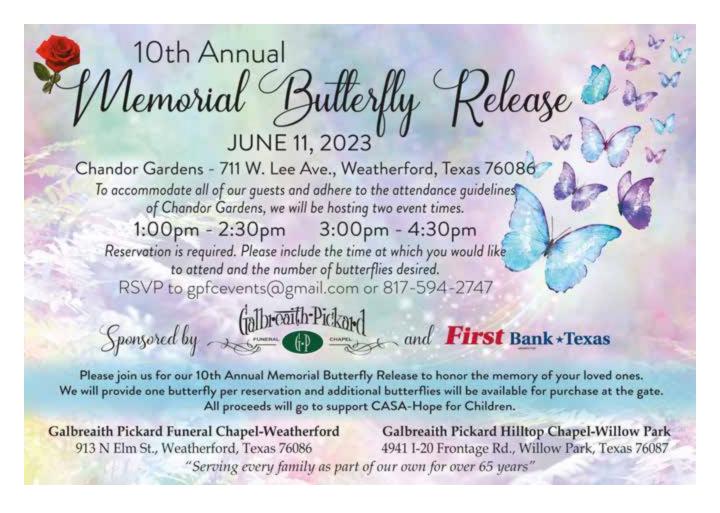














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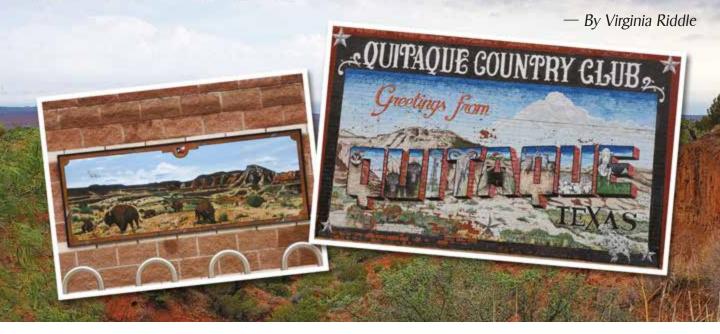


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Caprock Canyon was formed by two forks of the Little Red River, cutting into the Llano Estacado High Plains Escarpment for almost a million years, producing some rock walls over 1,000 feet high. Nomadic people, the Folsom, arrived in the canyon about 10,000 years ago. From the rock, they fashioned spear tips used to kill large animals. Huntergatherer groups followed. Permanent settlements began about 1,000 years ago, and the Spanish explorer, Francisco Vázquez de Coronado, discovered the canyon in 1541. The Apache, Kiowa and Comanche occupied the canyon during the 1700s-1870s.

Anglo settlers arrived in the 1800s, when bison were being killed in large numbers by trappers, hunters, comancheros (traders) and the U.S. Army. Mary Ann Goodnight, who was co-owner of JA Ranch with her husband, Charles Goodnight, saved bison to prevent probable extinction. The Texas State Bison Herd is genetically descended from the Goodnight herd and is perhaps one of the last examples of native Texas bison.

Also unique to the park is an abandoned railway line that offers hiking, biking and an equestrian trail. The 64-mile trail crosses Quitaque Canyon to Estelline, running through the 742-foot-long Clarity Tunnel, home to Mexican free-tailed bats, and along many original trestles. Over 90 miles of multiuse trails exist ranging from easy to very challenging, and visitors can boat, fish and/or swim in Lake Theo. A lodge, as well as campsites with water or water and electricity are offered, and backpackers and equestrians can take advantage of primitive camping sites. Hands-on activities await visitors of all ages at the Children's Discovery Center, and the exhibits at the Interpretive Pavilion explain the canyon's geology and Native American history.

In this ranching country, the weather and terrain changes quickly, making for hardy residents. The town of Quitaque is near the intersection of the Cottonwood and Los Lingos creeks. Area attractions include Camp Resolution, one of four encampments of the Texan Santa Fe Expedition; the Valley of Tears; and the Comanchero Canyons Museum, which tells the history of the area with exhibits of artifacts



dating from the Clovis era through the 1800s. Dining, bed-and-breakfasts and hotel accommodations are available in Quitaque, Silverton, Turkey and Childress, Texas. Horseback riding is offered at the historic Pole Canyon Ranch and the Quitaque Riding Stables.

Internet and cell service are rare or nonexistent in the area, but that's not why people flock to Caprock Canyons State Park. The stunning vistas, geology, wildlife, adventures, bison and a return to ranching days of old where a handshake still means something are just a few reasons to visit.

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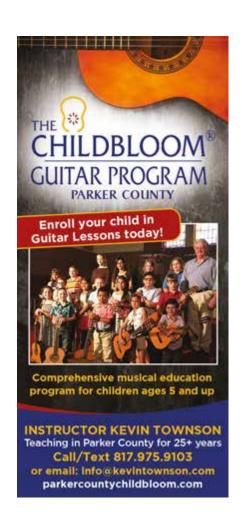
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Movies in the Park:

Featuring Jurassic World Dominion. Movie begins after dark. Arrive early to grab a good spot and food from vendors. Free. 7:30-9:00 p.m., Heritage Park Amphitheater, 378 Jack Borden Way. experienceweatherford.com.

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The Book of Dog:

Theatre Off the Square's live production of Jiggs Burgess' play. **Fridays and Saturdays:** 8:00 p.m.; **Sundays:** 2:00 p.m., TOTS, 114 N. Denton St. www.theatreoffthesquare.org or (817) 341-8687.

5/6

Weatherford Wellness:

This free family event spotlights local medical resources, plus food trucks, face painting, raffles and more to benefit Weatherford Senior Center. 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.,

Weatherford College, 225 College Park Dr. For more information, call Beth Utley at (817) 694-9332.

Talking Tombstones Tour:

Characters will dress in period clothing to tell stories of Mary Martin, Bose Ikard and more. Tickets: \$15 adults; \$10 children 9 and under. 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Old City Greenwood Cemetery, 400 E. Water St. parkercountyheritagesociety. com or (402) 850-5560.

Girls' Night Out Derby Day Party and Wine Tasting:

Women 21 and over are invited to enjoy this event benefiting Golden Reward Sanctuary. A donation of \$25 includes wine tasting and Derby games. 5:00-7:00 p.m., 1201 Friendship Rd. Register on Facebook at fb.me/e/4iM6lHDNy, goldenrewardsanctuary.com.

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Sunset on the Square:

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2023 Annual Golf Tournament:

Hosted by the East Parker County Chamber of Commerce. Teams of 4: \$450; individual: \$125. 9:00 a.m., Squaw Creek Golf Course, 1605 Ranch House Rd., Willow Park. eastparkerchamber.com.

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HoneyBee Workshop:

Local beekeeper to discuss how bees make honey. Free and open to the public. 10:00 a.m.-noon, Twentieth Century Club of Weatherford, 321 S. Main St. (817) 694-7532 or jlundybooker@gmail.com.

Weatherford Cruise Night:

View hotrods, street rods, classics, performance and more. 7:00-10:00 p.m., 317 Santa Fe Dr. experienceweatherford.org.

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Cross Timbers Chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas Monthly Meeting:

The public can hear member Terri Walker discuss deerresistant plants followed by a business meeting. 6:00 p.m., Cherry Park Community Building, 313 Davis St. npsot.org/wp/crosstimbers.

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Memorial Day Ceremony:

This event hosted by Parker County American Legion Post 163 includes a ceremony and provides attendees with flags to place on more than 600 veterans' graves. 10:00-11:30 a.m., flag pole at Memorial Gardens, 5600 Mineral Wells Hwy. Ron Chandler at (817) 223-8926 or legionpost 163@aol.com.

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