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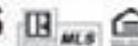
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# Volunteers *With* Heart

— By Joan Kilbourne

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one of them helped you choose a gift or a card for a patient and delivered that same gift or card to the patient’s room. You may have seen them taking care of babies in the nursery or greeting you at the window in the radiology department. One may have covered you with a warm blanket when you were a patient in outpatient surgery or brought crayons and paper to entertain your child in a waiting room. Whatever your reason for being inside the hospital, you surely met one of these volunteers with heart who are there to make your visit or hospital stay as pleasant as possible.

Connie Beal has been at the hospital for 30 years working with the nursing staff as staff coordinator, Senior Circle advisor and with volunteer staff as the volunteer coordinator. Connie is proud of the program that is about to celebrate its 50th birthday. The Auxiliary has grown to include services throughout the hospital, community services, fundraising for scholarships and making donations for patients. Connie explained, “The volunteer service began with a wheeled cart pushed through the halls. The volunteers offered patients such comforts as gum and candy, toothbrushes, toothpaste and magazines. One volunteer, Ernie Fincher, started working at the first canteen. At age 93, she is still one of the active Pink Ladies who, like all of the volunteers, is on duty at least four hours a week.”

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patient records, deliver gifts and flowers to patients or escort families who are there to visit patients. If it is not enough that they walk many miles through the hospital halls, these energetic helpers also contribute additional hours to such community services as the American Red Cross, the annual Heart Walk, health fairs and blood drives.

One of the Auxiliary's projects is fundraising for scholarships. Auxiliary members raise money with bake sales, book and jewelry sales and a uniform sale for the nurses and other hospital staff. Last year, the uniform sale alone netted \$4,000. "Last year," Connie said, "a dozen \$500 scholarships were offered

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Members of the Auxiliary provide two other very personal services. One is a craft project in which they make decorations to be placed on the patient food trays for each of the holidays. Tiny chenille Easter bunnies and red felt Santas brighten the trays. The other service celebrates the birth of newborn babies. New mothers receive an engraved baby spoon and a fingerprint bookmark, or a little baby bonnet made from a white hankie trimmed in lace. The bonnet is presented with a poem



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The volunteers take their work very seriously. They attend a training seminar each year to stay current with hospital procedures. They adhere to a code of ethics regarding patient confidentiality and renew their commitment to maintain a professional manner while on duty. Volunteers meet in April to induct new members and award pins and bars that mark the number of service hours a member has worked.



At this meeting, they elect the officers who will serve the following year. The new president chooses a theme for the year. This past year, Martha chose "Have a Heart, Volunteer."

A highlight of the year is the annual state convention. An exciting part of the convention is a competition among the volunteer groups from hospitals all over the state. Prizes are awarded for the best newsletter, the best convention poster, the best tray favors and the best scrapbook. The Navarro Hospital Auxiliary can boast of winning at least one or more of the prizes every year.

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the same tasks that regular volunteers do. Applications are sent out yearly to county schools inviting students between the ages of 14 to 18 to explore possible careers in healthcare. "Some students," Connie said, "tell me they like working to support the surgery staff because they get to wear scrubs and feel they are doing something important to help people. On the other hand," she added, "one student declared an interest in the radiology department and worked there one day before she



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Some students enjoy their experience and move on to study at Navarro College or enter degree programs at four-year schools. "Many high school students return every summer to work again as volunteers," Martha explained. "They're like the volunteers who sign up every year and accumulate thousands of hours of service to the hospital. We love what we do." Martha also added sentiments about Connie as she said, "She never says 'no' to what we ask for." Connie responded, "And it's the same for them. They do whatever I ask them to do." Both agreed, "We're like family." **NOW**

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# Ranch House in the City

— By Samantha Daviss

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Although the house exudes magnificence, Ralph and Fran have added their signature touch of comfort and ease, which makes guests feel right at home. Their decor and collections come from both around the world and from right here in Corsicana. “She gets stuck in moods,” Ralph admitted about his wife. “She tends to buy things in themes. We have gone





through an antique phase, a doll collecting phase, a pig collecting phase — but everything we have is enjoyed by us.”

Some of the Townes’ belongings come in surprisingly similar pairs. “When we combined our houses, we noticed that our tastes were very similar,” Fran recalled, pointing to one of their two secretary desks. Unsure at first which desk they were looking at, the two finally came to the conclusion that it was the heirloom from Fran’s side of



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the family. "Mine, from my grandfather, is back in the living room in the back of the house," Ralph said.

Before they combined their lives into one, Ralph and Fran once worked for the same company, which explains one of their common bonds. Ralph worked for Glazer's, a national beverage wholesale distributor, holding many positions within the company, including president of the Texas division. "That is what he was doing when I first saw

him at the company," Fran said. "His company had bought my company out, and I was the last hire they made. I remember seeing him during the interview process, and then we really didn't see each other again until years later." When Fran had a human resources issue within her department, she took advantage of the executives' "open door" policy and went to talk to Ralph about her issues. "Well, I guess I really did have an 'open door' policy,





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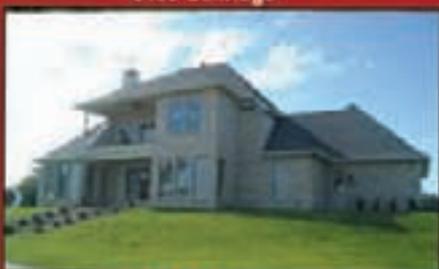
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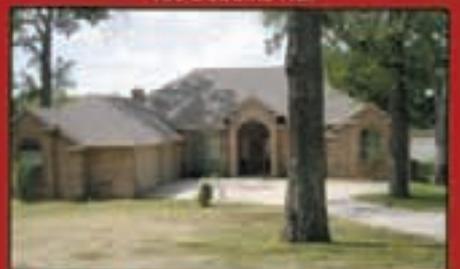
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because shortly after her office visit we started dating,” Ralph said with a giggle.

Over the next year-and-a-half of their courtship, Ralph sold his home in Bedford and bought some land out near Emhouse, just outside of Corsicana. He soon came to realize, however, that Fran was not ready to leave the big city to live on a farm, so he also purchased a house in Dallas. “I knew I was never the type to live on a farm, until I started raising my donkeys. They are like my babies,” Fran stated. “One day,

one of them got sick, and so I had to give her shots daily for three months until she was better.” Because she had to stay and care for her sick animal, a transition from the metroplex to the quiet life of Corsicana began. “We ended up living at the farm from Thursday until Monday of each week and only spending Tuesday and Wednesday nights in Dallas,” she explained.

Once they decided to permanently move from Dallas, the couple felt they would rather live in town than out on

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the farm. Thus the search began for their dream home in town. “We put a contract down on a house, with the contingency of ours selling in Dallas, but unfortunately, ours never sold,” Fran recalled. When their real estate agent told them about a house that was about to go on the market, Fran was hesitant, but Ralph said, “It is always free to look.” Ralph was out of town when Fran walked through the house for the first time with one of her girlfriends. After the second walk through with Ralph, they decided to put in an offer. “Then he jumped in the car and left



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owners had an art gallery in the back room, where each wall was banked with art that they had collected from around the world,” Fran commented. “There were no windows in the room [for the protection of the artwork], so we decided to add some windows and let light into the room.”

Besides the addition of the windows, the Townes did not do much to the house except for a couple of cosmetic changes such as paint color. “We loved the house just the way it was,” Fran said. “There was no need for us to knock out walls or interfere with the integrity of the house.” The only major structural change they made to the property was the remodeling of the guest house. “We extended the walls to make it larger and we knocked out a wall to add the little kitchenette that Fran’s mother used when she lived here [just before moving to a retirement home].” Ralph explained.

Despite the enormity of the house, the Townes enjoy and live in every



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love this feature about my vanity area. They really put some thought into it," she said, opening both closet doors, which provides a mirror image into infinity. A side door from the bath area leads to a quiet, secluded patio area with an exterior hot tub for her and Ralph to enjoy.

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# THE CURRENT MOVEMENT

— By Samantha Daviss



Often in life, the evolution process is continuous. Life's natural progression can be seen in children, jobs, the economy, technology and church. The congregation of the First United Methodist Church of Corsicana (FUMCC), decided to expand their congregation by offering a more "current" service, an alternative to the traditional one. The new contemporary worship service, called The Current, offers the positive, uplifting sounds of a praise band complete with vocals, guitars, keyboard and drums.

Starting The Current was a two-year process. "We had sent a survey out into the congregation, and we just expanded on what they were looking for and desiring in a contemporary service," worship committee member, Suzanne Cook, said. "The name can take on many meanings, one being it is a more 'current' or contemporary service. Secondly, we thought about the different ways the Holy Spirit is depicted in the Bible,

and began building upon the themes of water, streams, rivers and wind. The Current seemed perfect because it is symbolic of the various metaphors the Bible uses to describe the Holy Spirit."

Once approval was given by the Administrative Board to start the service, the first priority was to locate a leader who had experience in a community of praise and worship, with a strong background in music. The primary focus of the new service was going to be on the talents of the praise and worship band, which had yet to be developed.

Thankfully, Suzanne and Steve Moss, the church's associate pastor and the lead pastor for The Current, found Ray Benites, the new praise team leader, lead singer and bass guitar player.

"I was part of the Community of Hope Church in Mansfield, Texas," Ray explained, "and about the time Suzanne found me [in June 2008], I was just beginning to send out audition tapes around the area in hopes of finding a

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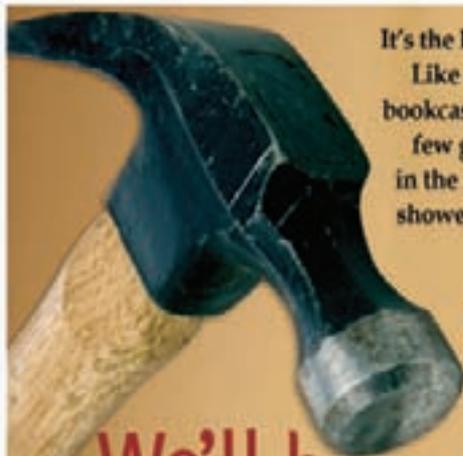
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church where I could answer my call to lead. Once in Corsicana, I then started networking within the church in hopes of finding talented members that were willing to be a part of this new and exciting adventure. Everyone realized that it would be a difficult process, one that required voluntary time offered by these particular members, and the dedication and selflessness needed to practice on the weekends to be able to come together as one.”

Slowly, one by one, Suzanne and Ray added the founding members for the new band that would become the pulse behind the praise, worship and ambience of The Current service for the First United Methodist Church. “I brought my daughter Cassie [Crow] in with me as a singer,” Ray stated, “and the rest of them, like Brett Blanton (electric guitar and vocals); Tim Steely (drums); Ward Poarch (acoustic guitar); Suzanne Cook (keyboard); Tiffany Morgan, Lisa

**They have managed to engage church members who would not normally attend on a regular basis, and these now return to church every Sunday.**

West and Donna Lynn (all vocals) gathered together by the grace of God.”

The Current band is a group of individual people who managed to find one another and came together as a family to produce sounds that are amazingly appealing and engaging. They have managed to engage church members who would not normally attend on a regular basis, and these now return to church every Sunday.

With five permanent band members, a few others who float in and out to different services or come from different churches, and a young backup drummer named Tyler Daviss, the band primarily plays popular, as well as traditional, Christian music. However, they also

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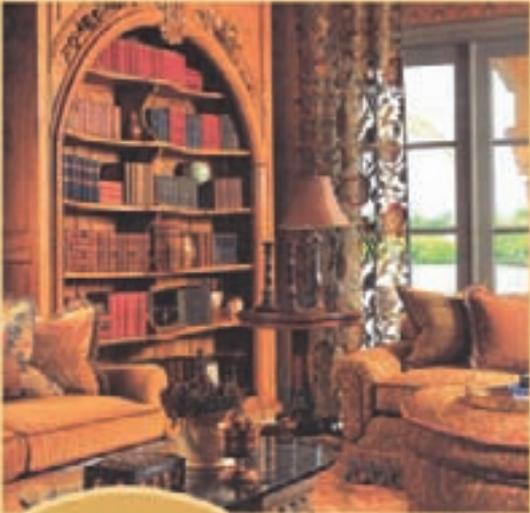
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## Summer Fun in Fairfield – By Kelly Kovar

Now that school is out and summer is in full swing, the first order of fun is the Freestone County Fair. “The Freestone County Fair is a really big thing in Fairfield,” Cheryl Cockerell, executive administrator for the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce, said. “A lot of people take their vacations that week.” Held at the Moody Reunion Grounds, known familiarly around town as the Fairfield fairgrounds, the fair runs from June 15 through June 20. “The parade is a kick-off to the fair,” Cheryl added. “It is a pretty good parade, with fire trucks, cars decorated by different groups, and the marching band. Anybody in the county who wants to can enter.” The parade starts at 5:30 p.m. on June 15 in Fairfield.

Each day of the fair brings different special events. The Freestone County Fair Pageant is on June 16. “The pageant has been going on for over 30 years, at least, because I know my husband went when he was a child,” Cheryl explained. “They do a Miss Freestone County and a Miss Teen Freestone County competition.” The fair includes a horseshoe tournament and then finishes up with a rodeo. “There is even a carnival on the fairgrounds that is open during fair week.”

Next up for summer fun is the Fairfield Youth Program June 19-21 at the Fairfield High School, Junior High School and Elementary gym and concession area. Fairfield fairgrounds will be the location for the Fairfield Flea Market, June 26-28 and also for the Independence Day Fireworks which will begin at dark on July 4. The fairgrounds will host the 11th Annual Ike Carden Rodeo July 13 through the 18 with wild cow milking, bounty bull riding, team roping and a trail ride. **NOW**

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# The Golden Child

— By Samantha Daviss

Jonathon Neal is a young adult who makes you smile and feel pride in all of his efforts. He is a student and young achiever who has a humble nature, yet takes great pride in everything he does. This combination makes him well-liked among his peers. A National Honor Society member who is ranked in the top 10 percent of his graduating class, Jonathon admitted that his two passions in life are sports and schoolwork.

"I have always put school first. I have never really taken easy classes," Jonathon stated, explaining that he plans to pursue a degree in engineering from Texas A&M University. This young athlete and scholar manages to balance his rigorous academic schedule with courses like calculus and physics with being one of the team

captains on both the varsity baseball and football teams at Corsicana High School.

While baseball seems to come more naturally to Jonathon, he loves both sports in their own right. "Even though my dad and brother and I have always played baseball together, there is just something about the atmosphere of football that is so much fun," Jonathon admitted. "I was about 5 years old when I first started playing tee ball. I was living in California at the time, and after my sixth-grade year I moved to Texas, so that is when I started to play football. That was really the only sport offered at school during my



seventh- and eighth-grade years when I moved here. However, my friends and I kept playing baseball at Beebe Field. I started playing baseball again as a freshman in high school, all the way through my senior year." Jonathon was on the varsity team his junior and senior year, in addition to being chosen by his teammates as one of three team captains.

Things seemed to be going Jonathon's way until last summer, when he was away at football camp and tore the anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) in one of his knees during a pickup game with some buddies. "I had surgery on July 17 — my birthday — and I was determined to come back completely recovered and play football my senior year," Jonathon said. "When I was injured, my dad wanted me back in time for baseball season, but I was determined to come back and play during my final football season."

Jonathon knew that it was up to him to fight and come back for his last season of football and baseball. "If you put your mind to something, you can do whatever you want to do," he said. "I researched the healing and rehabilitation time of a torn ACL and started working with my doctor and physical therapist immediately, at least three times a week." With a





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lot of heart, determination and physical therapy, Jonathon worked his way back to the top and played the last three football games of the season during his senior year. "I have always been all business, no matter what I am doing," Jonathon stated, recalling all of the hard work and effort required during his rehabilitation. "It didn't really sink in with me that I was injured. I wouldn't allow myself to think like that."

Through his dedication to both sports and academics, and his extracurricular involvement inside the high school walls with activities such as: student



council, National Honor Society, Students Against Drunk Driving, the Spanish club and as historian in the physics club, Jonathon is a leader in his own right. Any leader, however, needs someone to look up to. Jonathon's mentors are his coaches Billy Harlan and Walter Berringer, now an assistant principal at Corsicana High School. These two men are definitely the role models in Jonathon's life. "I want to model myself after him," Jonathan said of Mr. Berringer. "I like

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how he handles himself and carries himself on and off the field. He is extremely outgoing and inspirational on the field and very kind and quiet inside the walls of the high school."

Through all of his ups and downs, both on and off the fields, Jonathon has learned that perseverance, dedication and belief in one's self are all it takes to succeed. While he feels it is important to be a strong individual, "being on a team has taught me leadership, discipline and how to work with others," he shared.

With his personal academic pressures, leadership roles and future goals, it



seems that Jonathon has a lot of responsibilities to handle for a young adult, but he manages to balance his academics and extracurricular activities with ease and determination. As a team captain, Jonathon is a positive influence to his peers and an inspiration to those around him. With his severe knee injury now turned into a fairytale "comeback kid" story, Jonathan offers more strength and determination than many people muster in a lifetime. **NOW**

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# A Little Bit of *Everything*

— By Samantha Daviss



Much like the aesthetic beauty of the outside of the house that now acts as a home for Sweet Tangerine home decor shop, the interior of the building is also filled with beautiful and amazing items. As the owner, Carmen Austin, has transformed her dream into reality, with a little help from her mother, Sarah Jenkins, who helps her with decorating ideas, staging the store and creating spectacular floral arrangements. This dynamic duo has managed to transform the once-boarded-up house into a wonderland of home decorating ideas and gifts.

“When I first saw the building, I absolutely fell in love with it,” Carmen stated. “Even though it had been sitting empty for over two years, the windows were boarded shut and there were old, dried vines covering the exterior, there was just something about it that I couldn’t get out of my mind.” The adorable cottage-like house was built in 1933, and the interior detailing “was definitely ahead of its time,” Carmen said. She knew in her heart that this was the perfect place for her store. “I was originally going to open an interior design business, but then I decided to open the store instead,” she added. Carmen does offer interior design and house staging services in addition to owning and managing

Sweet Tangerine. “We like to utilize what one already has in their home, to show them where and how to place it,” she said. “Then if they need or want to purchase additional pieces or items, I assist with that as well.”

The soft tangerine-colored front door and overall charm of this hidden gem, creates a feel similar to the shops off of Main Street in Fredericksburg, Texas. The store is filled with everything imaginable for the interior of a home, at any price point. The homey atmosphere helps customers feel comfortable while browsing around. Carmen and her mother have set the

store up like a home; so as their customers wander from room to room, they can not only shop amongst the beautiful wares, but also gather ideas from the various displays.

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# Purple and Walls Ice Cream Cones

— By Joan Kilbourne

Anele Richardson came home from her very first day in first grade and told her parents, “I want to be a teacher like Mrs. Floyd.” Later, when her cousins read the newspaper announcement that Anele had won the Golden Apple Award for teachers, they wrote to the editor. They told stories about Anele’s early years as a teacher when the families got together at their grandparents’ house. Anele would get out her Golden Books and coloring books and hold classes for her preschool cousins during their “nap time.” Now, with more than 30 years of experience as a teacher, Anele said, “I guess I was destined to teach.”

Anele earned a bachelor’s degree in education at Sam Houston State University, and later a master’s degree from Stephen F. Austin University. She taught her first three years at James W. Fannin Elementary School, one year at a private school and for seven years she taught second grade in Fairfield before she returned to Corsicana. The invitation to interview once again at Fannin came “when I was at my mother’s house wearing a swim suit and cover up. I had to borrow clothes from her closet to go to the meeting.” She has been teaching the third-grade class at Fannin for 22 years.

Because she has been teaching for so many years at the same school, Anele is now instructing the children of former students. “It is interesting to see children from the past as parents,” she said. This connection can lead to the kind of pleasant feedback teachers seldom hear. Anele recalls that once, at registration time, a third-grade child asked to be in her class saying, “My momma wants you to be my teacher. She says you were wonderful!”



What makes “wonderful” memories for the children in Anele’s class? Well, there is a poster in the classroom showing multicolored scoops of ice cream on cones. “Those are my multiplication scoops,” Anele explained. “We do speed tests and we add a scoop to the cone for each goal met. When a student gets all the scoops and a cherry on top, we go out for an ice cream treat.”

Then there is the matter of the special elementary teacher wardrobe, which always includes an assortment of holiday-themed sweaters and vests. Anele’s daughter and daughter-in-law saw an episode of *What Not to Wear* on TV in which a teacher was told her collection of holiday clothes was not stylish. Anele’s response was to claim that she “could wear a different Christmas outfit every day from Thanksgiving to Christmas without repeating. I just love Christmas.”

Last year, Anele took on a new challenge. She was given an opportunity to teach the Scholastic Read 180 reading program. The program is designed to improve reading skills for students in fourth grade through high school. Anele agreed to teach the class if she could have a “reader friendly” classroom. “I want purple walls and not a bunch of desks,” she said. Principal Steve Brownlee believes in hiring the best teachers possible and giving them all the support they need to excel, so he told Anele, “Just work with them.” The reading room now has lilac walls accented by one red brick wall. Tables are provided for the small group sessions and comfortable chairs for when children read alone. Anele said, “I am teaching them to read for the pleasure of reading. Even test questions can be read for pleasure. Doing that makes it easy to answer

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the questions.” Principal Brownlee said a representative from the Scholastic Development program told him he had never seen a classroom as well run as Anele’s. He wanted to bring other teachers to Fannin to observe her.

Not content to rely on her finely-honed instincts as a teacher and her years of teaching experience, Anele takes a class at Navarro College to keep current on new approaches to teaching math and on advances in technology. Vanessa Huse, an instructor at A&M



Commerce, teaches student teachers in their last semester, as well as experienced teachers who need to keep up with instructional changes. “I twitter,” Anele said. “I have learned how to do videos and how to podcast lessons. If a student misses a class, the teachers can Bluetooth a lesson to the student’s iPod or they can e-mail it to them. That kind of learning is designed for older students, but even the younger ones need to be introduced to the uses of the technology available now. If I had one wish it would be that all children would be loved and nurtured all day, every day. My second wish would be to have enough money to put technology into the hands of each child in my school.”

Anele is looking forward to summer vacation when her family goes to the beach together; this includes: her husband Mike, her son, Hayden and his wife, her daughter, Elizabeth and her husband and Anele’s four young grandchildren. She is also anticipating another year of teaching. “I’ll never retire,” Anele said. That is certainly good news for the next generation of children. **NOW**

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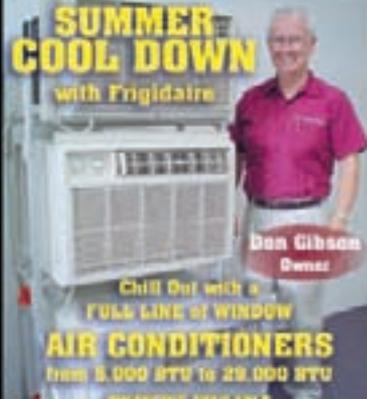
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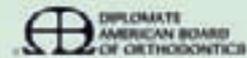
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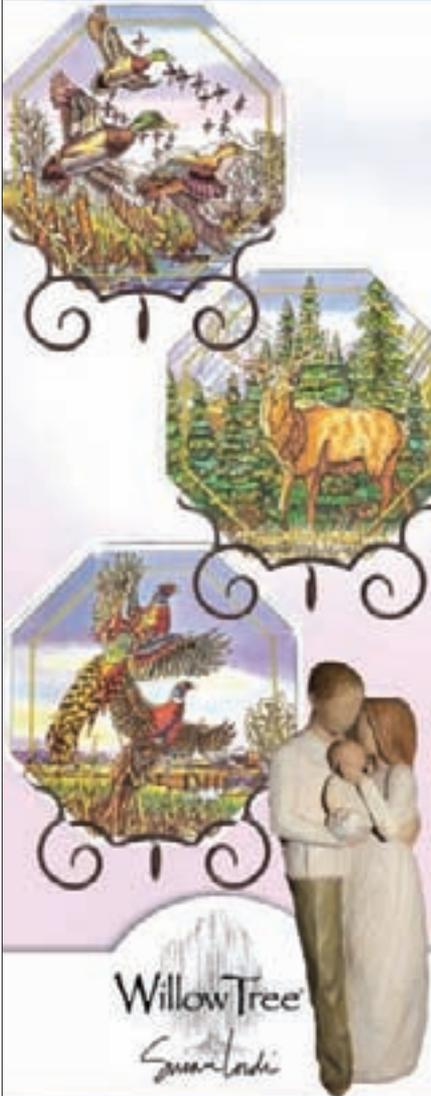
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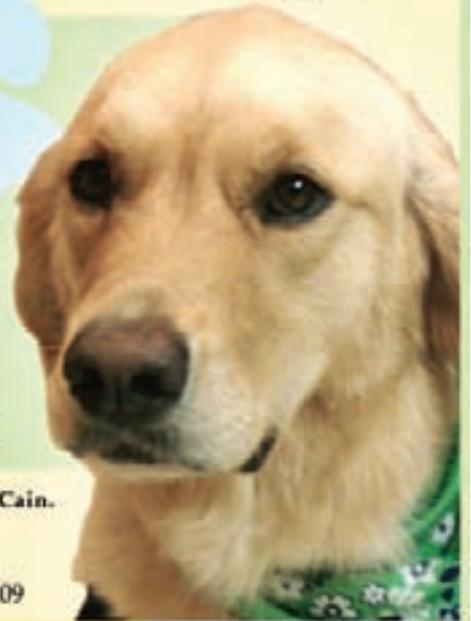
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# Look Who's Cooking

— By Faith Browning

## IN THE KITCHEN WITH JEANI WILKERSON

### HERB-CRUSTED PORK LOIN ROAST

3-4 lb. pork loin roast  
garlic salt, to taste  
onion salt, to taste  
Monterey steak seasoning, to taste  
dry Italian herb mix, to taste  
Season meat with mixture of garlic salt, onion salt, Monterey steak seasoning and dry Italian herb mix. Roll it good in the mixture, and rub it in. The longer the roast sets, the better the flavors are. Let it set over night, if you can. Sear loin in canola oil at 160 F to get a good crust. (Canola oil is important because it has a high burn point.) Bake at 325 F until roast is done to an internal temperature of 155 F; wrap loosely with foil. Roast will continue to cook to desired temperature of 165 F. Depending on the size of your roast, allow for at least 15-20 minutes per pound of meat. Use your meat thermometer to make sure it's all good! Allow to rest for at least 15 minutes; slice. (We like the Pioneer brand of gravy to go with roast.)

### PLUM GOOD SPARE RIBS

6-8 lbs. pork spare ribs, cut into 2-3 rib portions,  
2 Tbsp. butter  
1 cup onion, minced  
1 tsp. ginger  
3 1/2 cups plum, all-fruit spread  
3/4 tsp. dry mustard  
1/2 cup brown sugar  
1 1/2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce  
1/2 cup lemon juice  
2 drops hot pepper sauce  
1/4 cup soy sauce  
1/4 cup chili sauce

Parboil spare ribs 30-45 minutes; drain and set aside. Sauté remaining ingredients. Simmer sauce blend for 15 minutes. Grill ribs 6 inches from coals, turning often and using sauce as baste. As ribs are basically cooked through, it only takes about 20 minutes on the grill to finish them off.

### CRUNCHY TIGER BUTTER

1 lb. vanilla bark candy coating (almond bark)  
1/2 cup extra crunchy peanut butter  
2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips  
Place candy coating in microwave safe bowl. Microwave for 60 seconds, stir; continue to microwave in 30 second increments, stirring between, till coating is melted. Mix in peanut butter. Place chocolate chips in separate microwave safe bowl; microwave for 60 seconds, stir, continue to microwave in 30 second increments till melted. On parchment or foil-lined baking sheet, spread out peanut butter mixture. Drizzle chocolate over peanut butter, making a random pattern; swirl together, using a butter knife to create "tiger" patterns. Allow to cool until hard, then break into pieces. Enjoy!

### GREEK ISLAND MARINADE FOR CHICKEN

1/4 cup lemon juice  
1 cup plain yogurt  
1/2 cup fresh mint, finely chopped  
1/4 cup fresh parsley, finely chopped  
1/4 cup minced onion  
1/2 tsp. cayenne  
1/2 tsp. pepper  
1/4 tsp. cinnamon  
chicken cuts of your choice

Mix all ingredients in Ziploc baggie. Add desired cut of chicken; marinate at least 4 hours (better overnight). Before cooking, drain excess marinade from chicken. Grill over low coals or low heat on gas grill until thickest part of chicken reaches internal temperature of 160 F. Remove from grill; cover loosely with foil to allow chicken to finish cooking and to keep juices inside. Goes great with white and wild rice pilaf and grilled herbed buttery corn on the cob.

### WISCONSIN CHEESE SOUP

4 Tbsp. butter  
2 cups celery, finely chopped or processed in the food processor  
2 cups onion, finely chopped  
1 cup carrots, finely chopped  
1 cup ham, finely chopped  
6 cups water  
2 Tbsp. chicken bouillon (I recommend Knorr brand.)  
2 tsp. paprika  
1 tsp. dry mustard  
1/2 tsp. cayenne  
1/4 tsp. pepper  
2-4 cups milk  
1 cup cornstarch  
2 lbs. Velveeta, cubed into 1-inch bits  
In large stockpot, combine butter, celery, onion and carrots; sauté. Add ham to vegetables. Add water, bouillon, paprika, dry mustard, cayenne and pepper. Bring to a boil and reduce heat; cook for 30 minutes. When all the flavors have melded, combine milk and cornstarch; mix well. Add to vegetables; bring back to boiling point for cornstarch mix to take full effect. Add Velveeta, stirring constantly to melt all together. This yields a beautifully rich, thick soup. If soup is too thick, add extra broth to desired consistency.

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Choice of 2 Vegetables	Green Beans	Mashed Potatoes	Cole Slaw
	Black-eyed Peas	Fried Okra	Potato Salad
	Corn on the Cob	Macaroni & Cheese	Lettuce Salad
	Steamed Cabbage	Baked Potato	

Dessert of the Day: Banana Pudding or Cobbler

### Tuesday

Chicken Spaghetti	7.95	Chicken Fried Steak (Beef / Pork)	7.95
Chopped Steak w/ mushroom sauce	7.95	Roast Beef	7.95
Fried Catfish	7.95	Fried Filet of Codfish	7.95

Choice of 2 Vegetables	Green Beans w/ New Potatoes	Mashed Potatoes
	Cole Slaw	Pinto Beans
	Potato Salad	Lyonnise Carrots
	Lettuce Salad	Broc. & Rice Casserole
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Choice of 2 Vegetables	Green Beans	Fried Okra	Cole Slaw
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	Mashed Potatoes	Baked Potato	Lettuce Salad

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Fried Filet of Codfish	7.95	Fried Filet of Codfish	7.95

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	Butter Beans	Macaroni & Cheese	Potato Salad
	Mixed Greens	Baked Potato	Lettuce Salad
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Dessert of the Day: Banana Pudding or Cobbler

### Friday

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	Baked Beans	Fried Squash	Potato Salad
	Sweet Corn	Macaroni & Cheese	Lettuce Salad
	Buttered Spinach	Baked Potato	

Dessert of the Day: Banana Pudding or Bread Pudding

### Saturday

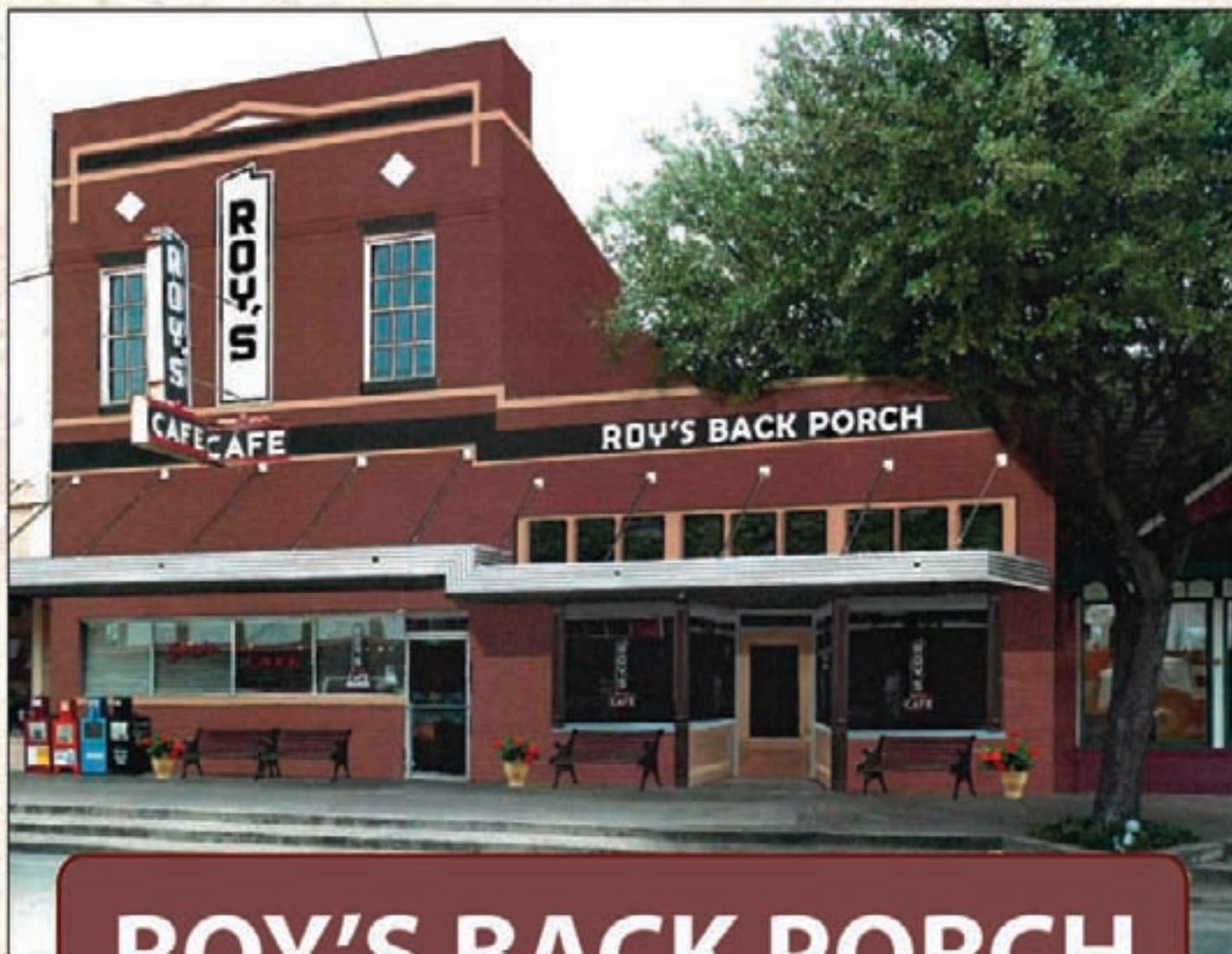
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# As American as Baseball and Apple Pie

— By Bruce Robinson, CFP®

Can you name the financial equivalent of baseball and apple pie? According to [www.djaverages.com](http://www.djaverages.com), the answer is the Dow Jones Industrial Average or simply, the Dow. As a second-generation investment adviser, the question I've heard all my life is, "What is the market doing?" I can assure you that the question is not referring to the Standard & Poor's 500, the Nasdaq 100 or the Wilshire 5000. For most Americans, the Dow Jones Industrial is the widely accepted measure of describing the action of the thousands of companies that are traded on our securities markets.

The Dow was created in 1896 by editors of *The Wall Street Journal*. They originally selected the stocks of 12 prominent companies. In 1928, the Dow was expanded to the current number of 30 companies. The following stocks comprise the modern day Dow Jones Industrial Average: 3M, Alcoa, American Express, AT&T, Bank of America, Boeing, Caterpillar, Chevron, Citigroup, Coca-Cola, DuPont, ExxonMobil, General Electric, General Motors, Hewlett-Packard, Home Depot, Intel, IBM, Johnson & Johnson, JP Morgan Chase, Kraft Foods, McDonald's, Merck, Microsoft, Pfizer, Procter & Gamble, United Technologies, Verizon, Wal-Mart and Walt Disney.

The Dow's purpose is to represent "blue chip" American companies. Over the years, companies have been added and

deleted, stocks have split and there have been other adjustments. In order to maintain the day-to-day comparability of the Dow, the editors created a method of modifying the simple averaging formula.

The calculation methodology gives more weight to the higher priced stocks. For example, a \$1 move in IBM has much more influence on the Dow than a \$1 move in Microsoft since IBM trades at \$100 and Microsoft trades at \$20. Some Wall Street analysts prefer to measure the market by a capitalization-weighted index such as the Standard & Poor's 500 because of its much broader base and purer calculation methodology. Nevertheless, the Dow continues as the most often quoted barometer of market movements.

In a recent issue, *Barron's* polled a group of leading investment managers. A majority (54 percent) of the managers described themselves as bullish (positive) on the stock market outlook. On average, the bullish advisers expect the Dow to hit 9500 by mid 2010. Such a move would mean 13 percent growth from the current level of 8400. When considering such a forecast, one should bear in mind Yogi Berra's insightful observation, "Predictions are difficult, especially about the future."

Beginning in the late 1990s, it became possible to invest or speculate in the Dow using exchange-traded funds (ETF). The most popular Dow ETF is officially named DIAMONDS Trust Series I, but it is better known in the industry as the "Dow Diamond" (symbol: DIA). Shares of the Dow Diamond seek to track the Dow, but are priced at 1/100 of the value of the Dow. For example, when the Dow is at 8400, the Dow Diamond should trade at \$84.



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Some commentators believe that other market barometers may have better theoretical underpinnings, but history and tradition keep the Dow as the most widely recognized benchmark for describing general market conditions. If one views a chart of the Dow from its beginning to the present day, the slope is clearly onward and upward. While no one can accurately predict dates and times, history favors the optimistic view that the all time high of 14165 (10/9/2007) will be surpassed just like all other previous records. Much like the icons of baseball and apple pie, the Dow represents American stability and strength. It has been guiding investors for over 100 years, and the blue chip tradition will continue. **NOW**

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# Getting Enough Sleep

— By Ron Rodriguez, DO, Internal Medicine

A recession is not only tough on the pocketbook — it can also be bad for your health. It's estimated that one-third of Americans are losing sleep over the current state of affairs in the country, according to the National Sleep Foundation's poll results released in March 2009.

The number of Americans with sleep problems has increased from 13 to 20 percent in just eight years — and this daily fatigue impacts life in many ways, from our physical functioning to our mental alertness and ultimately, our long-term health.

The National Sleep Foundation confirms that while needs vary, most adults require between seven and nine hours of sleep. Teens and children need even more — from nine to 14 hours each night.

Sleep is a time for the body to restore and regulate various internal functions that keep us healthy. This includes muscle and tissue repair, the removal of toxins from the body, hormone production and maintenance of the body's circadian rhythms.

Lack of sleep can cause stress, make us more prone to illness and depression,

decrease our energy level and affect our memory. The long-term effects of insufficient sleep are more than just chronic drowsiness or difficulty in focusing on and performing daily tasks. Sleep deprivation has been linked to an increased risk of hypertension, diabetes, obesity, depression, heart attack and stroke.

Sleep apnea is a common disorder that affects the quality of our sleep. A person who has sleep apnea stops breathing for 10 seconds or more during sleep — and these episodes can occur as many as 50 times an hour. The two types of sleep apnea include obstructive sleep apnea and central sleep apnea. Symptoms of sleep apnea include loud snoring, feeling sleepy during the day, tossing and turning during the night, insomnia and awakening with headaches. Sleep apnea can be diagnosed through a simple test ordered by your doctor and is treatable in many ways, from modifications in your diet to the use of a breathing device at night.

## Strategies for Good Sleep

**Warm up.** Take a warm bath, add blankets to the bed, raise the temperature in the bedroom or wear socks to bed.

**Get tired.** Regular exercise (at least 30 minutes per day) can promote good sleep — as long as you exercise four to six hours before bedtime.

**Darken the room.** Dim the lights, draw the curtains and turn off the television or computer.

**Avoid caffeine and nicotine for four to six hours before bedtime.** Likewise, don't drink alcohol before bed — though initially relaxing, it has been proven to disrupt sleep.

**Stick to a schedule.** Go to bed — and rise each morning — at the same time. Your body will become accustomed to a certain sleeping schedule and you'll get better-quality rest.

**No naps.** If you must nap, do so during mid-afternoon and limit to 30 minutes or less.

**Use the bed only for sleeping.** Don't do television or work in bed — maintain the mental association between the bed and rest. **NOW**

Getting Enough?	
The body's sleep requirements change as we age. The National Sleep Foundation recommends the following guidelines for selected age groups:	
<b>Infants</b>	
2 months	10.5-18 hours*
2-12 months	14-15 hours*
<b>Toddlers/Children</b>	
12-18 months	13-15 hours*
18 months-3 years	2-14 hours*
3-5 years	11-13 hours*
5-12 years	9-11 hours
<b>Adolescents</b>	8.5-9.5 hours
<b>Adults</b>	7-9 hours

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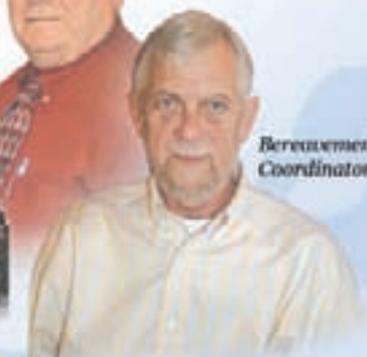
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The Ellis County Master Gardeners ran a test in July and August of 2008 on several different types and depths of mulch. The long and short of it was that when compared to non-mulched flowerbeds, any amount of mulch (from 2 to 6 inches) did a reasonable job of reducing the soil temperature — sometimes as much as 28 degrees. The organic mulches, such as chipped tree limbs, bark, etc. have an added advantage of becoming fertilizer as the year moves on. Think of it like covering a bucket of water with a lid to slow evaporation. The shade provided by the mulch also cools the root zone so you can avoid the “baked root syndrome” of several years ago.

A friend asked me recently if you could put too much mulch on your beds. Of course you can. It really is a question of moderation. Two to 6 inches of mulch is a good range to shoot for. The test mentioned above had five 8-foot-by-8-foot beds with no mulch, 2 inches of mulch, 4 inches of mulch,

6 inches of chipped tree trimmings and one with 4 inches of rock. Comparing the temperature of the bed with no mulch to any of the others was an eye-opener. All of the mulched beds registered from 10 to 28 degrees cooler during the hotter parts of the day. The beds with 4 to 6 inches of mulch had the added benefit of blocking lots and lots of weeds and grass. Perennials will come up through the mulch, so there is no need to clean out all that good organic stuff in the spring. New, little plants can have the mulch pulled back until they grow tall enough to peek over the top; then move the mulch back in close to the root base.

Whatever mulch you use, it works. Just put it on thick or put it on thin and you are good to go. Fewer weeds, fewer bugs and lower water usage — what more could you ask? **NOW**

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## Community Calendar

### All Summer

Senior Activity Center adult activities: Sing-alongs, Bible study, games, art exhibits, pot-luck luncheons, birthday parties, blood pressure checks and more. For more information, call Director Fred Biltz at (903) 654-4980.

### Third Thursday

Corsicana Education Foundation board of directors meeting, CISD Administration Building. Executive: 4:00 p.m. General Board: 4:30 p.m.

### June 5 and 6

Corsicana Country Club Tiger Tale Golf Tournament, a by invitation only golf tournament, will take place in conjunction with an open-to-the-public ladies' luncheon. The ladies' event will include lunch, light shopping and a spa from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. on Saturday. Please call (903) 874-8288 for reservations. Babysitting services will also be on hand.

### June 6

NAACP Summer Fest: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., Bunert Park. Refreshments, games and good times for all.

Mid-Way Regional Airport Annual Pancake Breakfast Fly-In: 8:00-11:00 a.m., Midlothian/Waxahachie. Breakfast tickets \$6; one child under 8 eats free with paid adult ticket. Event and parking are free. Classic airplanes and fighters, plane rides, remote control model flyers, The Classic Swing

Band and more. (972) 923-0080.

Community Fish Fry and Tournament: Registration: 5:30 a.m., Westhill Church of Christ parking lot. Everyone is invited to a family fishing tournament. There are no cash prizes, only the benefit of fun and friendship. Fish your favorite hole. Weigh-in at 4:00 p.m. We will fry up the day's catch and eat at 6:00 p.m. Come eat with us, even if you do not fish! We will have plenty! Games for children and adults during weigh-in and food prep. No fee. Reconnect with your family and community. Contact: Sam Dilbeck at (903) 872-5696 or sam@westhillchurchofchrist.org.

### June 11

Navarro College SBDC's How to Start a Small Business free workshop: 2:00-4:00 p.m., Corsicana/Navarro County Chamber of Commerce, 120 N. 12th St. Pre-registration required; seating limited. (903) 875-7667. sbdc@navarrocollege.edu.

### June 11-19

Warehouse Living Arts Center presents Dearly Beloved. Location: 119 W. 6th Ave. (903) 872-5421. www.warehouselivingartscenter.com.

### June 15-19

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for an invited audience. (903) 872-5421. www.warehouselivingartscenter.com.

### June 19-21

DFW Summer Balloon Classic an Aviation Extravaganza: Mid-Way Regional Airport, Midlothian/Waxahachie. Parking \$10. www.summerballoonclassic.com.

### June 20

Community Outreach: 8:00 a.m.-6:00p.m., Bunert Park. Barbecue and games.

Texas Reading Club Jubilee: Corsicana Public Library, 100 N. 12th St. (903) 654-4810.

### June 25

Navarro College SBDC's Writing a Winning Business Plan workshop: 2:00-4:00 p.m., Corsicana/Navarro County Chamber of Commerce, 120 N. 12th St. \$20. Pre-registration required; seating limited. (903) 875-7667. sbdc@navarrocollege.edu.

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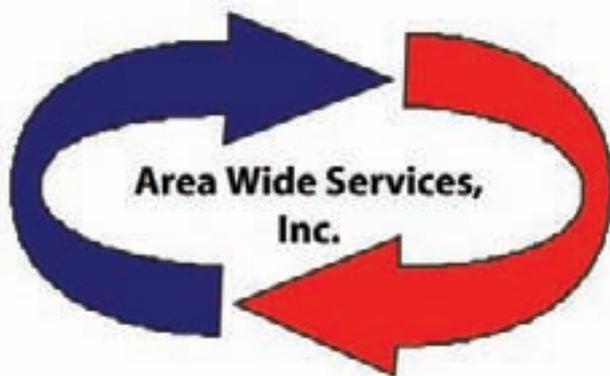
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