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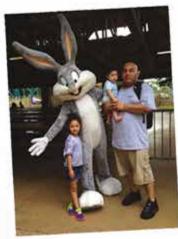
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Barry and Dana Maners' home is a beautiful blend of their differing styles.

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# **EDITOR'S NOTE**

It finally happened ...

I suppose it may have been inevitable. They say you become your mother. As I sit in my kitchen nook staring raptly at the varied birds on the birdfeeders in my backyard, that truth sinks in to a depth heretofore uncharted.

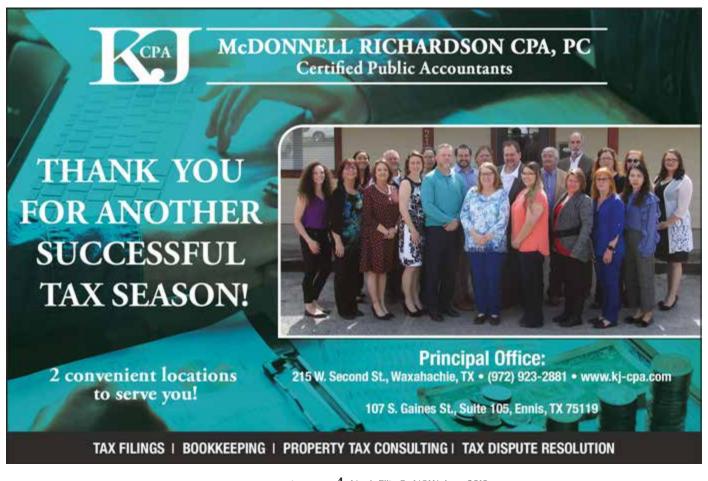
One of our sons was the first to point it out. During a recent visit, he sat watching from our deck as I lovingly filled my birdfeeders with black oil sunflower seeds and carefully re-hung them from their branches or posts. I was chatting absentmindedly to him about Chickadees I'd seen gathering nesting materials and about the first and only Indigo Bunting I'd spotted in our yard. You know, just normal conversation.

"Oh, my gosh! You've become Nana," he said, laughing much harder than I believed necessary. I didn't laugh. Not then, at least. Now sitting at my kitchen table, I admit, I'm chuckling pretty heartily to myself. For as long as I can remember, my mother has been a "birder," complete with binoculars. When her hearing was better, she could identify the songs of birds I'd never even heard of.

This time of year, as birds of all colors, sizes and songs invade the skies, I confess they enthrall me a bit, as well. That realization is both humorous — because there was a time I found her hobby very little-old-lady-ish — and encouraging — because to be considered anything like my better-than-every-mother-in-the-world mom in any way is an honor to which I never dared ascend.

OK, maybe little-old-lady-ism is setting in. I'll accept it as graciously as possible. I'll even buy the binoculars to get a better look.

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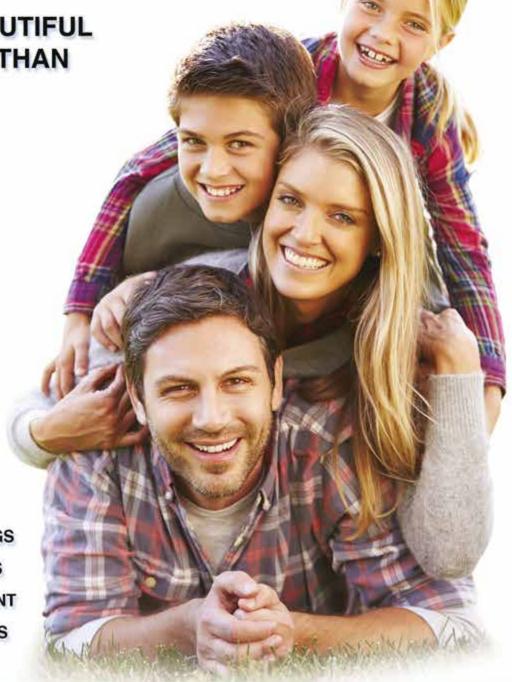
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# THE BEAUTY OF COMPROMISE

— By Joy Horn



AT HOME WITH
Barry and Dana Maners



Nestled in a quiet subdivision of Red Oak, the home of Barry and Dana Maners provides peaceful scenery for family life and stands as a testament to the bond of their 31 years of marriage. On the spacious lot, the variety of oak trees, cedar elms and magnolias create a tranquil environment and offer plenty of space for creative landscape design, one of Barrys' favorite hobbies. The native plants and Y-shaped red cedar columns on the front porch provide the first hint of what lies behind the entryway door.

Inside the home, the ever-evolving design and decor that Barry and Dana describe as "old Texas Hill Country" is evidence of what's possible when creativity and compromise come together. As an architect, Barry is a fan of a more modern look. Dana is drawn to country decor. "When we were first married the blue and pink country look was in. I am a modern architect, and I just couldn't do it," Barry said.

What they could and did do — with beautiful results — is discover together what worked for both of them. Hardwood floors, a new bathroom remodel and granite countertops are just a few of the upgrades the couple has incorporated. "When we built this home, I was a young architect just starting

my career, so we designed a house that was nice and modest and one we could afford. Through the years, we've updated many things," Barry explained. "We always have a new project going on."

Barry and Dana have two sons. Ethan, the oldest, is studying to be a pastor at Dallas Theological Seminary. Adam is attending medical school at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. After starting their family in a more modest home, Barry and Dana decided to design and build their current residence when Adam started kindergarten.

Today, the Maners still enjoy spending time together, as their sons frequently visit the home where they grew up,





though it's undergone many changes through the years. In the kitchen, Shaker-style cabinets give the room a farmhouse feel, though the fad was not the couple's intention. "We liked farmhouse before farmhouse was cool," Barry joked.

Atop the cabinets, antiques from Dana's impressive collection amplify the room's unique style. Her mother, who also was a collector, inspired Dana's love of antiques. Dana discovered many of her treasures, including a 100-year-old wooden spool, on one of her many trips to Round Top, Texas.

Antique furniture throughout the home adds warmth and character to the living space, and many of the pieces contain stories from the past. In the formal dining room, a wooden china cabinet sits in one corner. "It's the oldest piece of furniture we have," Dana said. "It's from my grandmother and holds a lot of sentimental value."

The cabinet also holds Ironstone dishes and Transferware, two of Dana's favorite collectables. "I love the simplicity of them," Dana said fondly. "They're from the 1800s and are often called 'poor man's china.' They are from England."

A gorgeous, handmade runner lines the center of their formal dining table. Dana crafted the runner using one of her collectable antique fabrics. "The fabric I used most likely came from France and was possibly used as grain sacks made from linen and flax around the early 1900s." Dana explained.

Utilizing such fabrics to create items for their home is one of Dana's favorite hobbies. Barry, whose hobbies also include woodworking, has a wood shop in the back. To make room for Dana's projects, recently they decided to take some space from the garage to extend the utility room. With the extension, Dana has created an attractive, organized space where she displays her fabrics, antique buttons and sewing machine.

Shelves going from counter to ceiling are neatly lined with pressed, French and Hungarian grain sacks in addition to blue-striped French ticking, a fabric that was originally used to make mattresses. On the window above Dana's sewing table hangs a curtain made from the antique fabric. "Mom and I did that as a project," Dana remembered. She also enjoys making bags, aprons and other crafts from the elegant cloth.

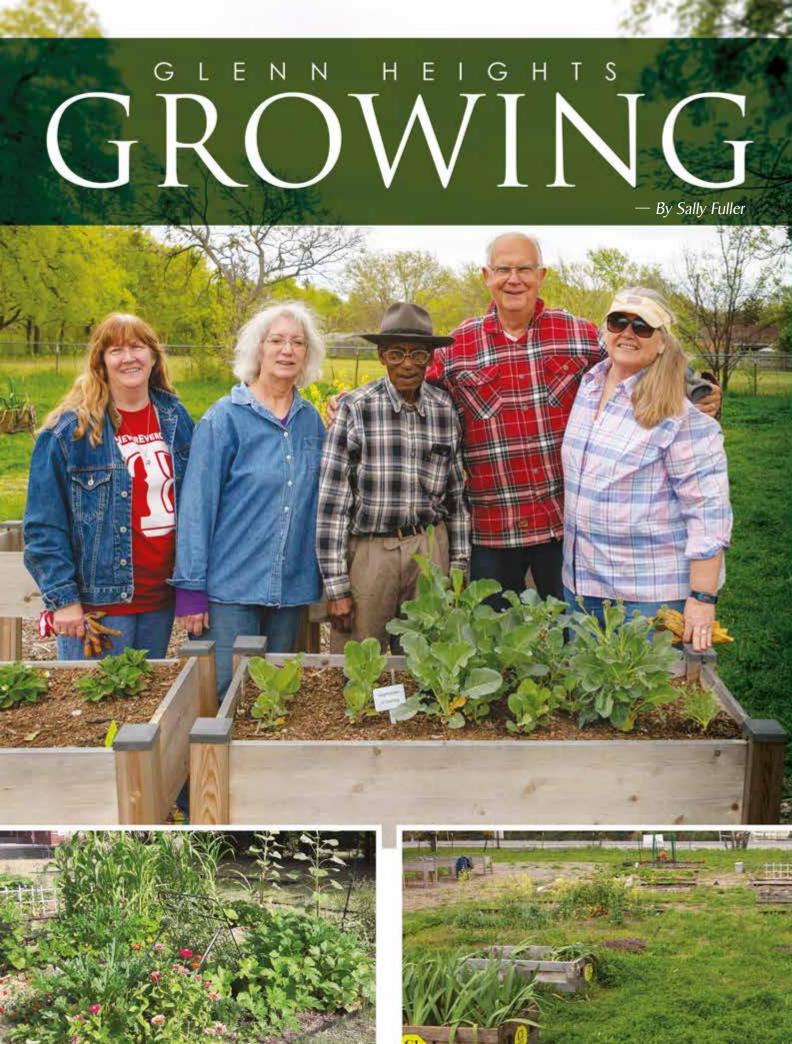


Above the window, a custom painting of their dog, Ranger, hangs in honor of the family pet that passed away. Since then, they've added a new family member, Dallas, a friendly Golden Retriever who sits obediently behind the sofa, which sits in front of the fireplace. A piece of old barn wood serves as the mantel, giving the room a rustic appeal. On the wall, cheerful pictures of their sons proudly hang in the center of the home, reminding visitors of the importance the couple places on family life.

Barry has his own architectural firm in Dallas. He is passionate about his career and likes to use his skills to help the community. He helped design the expansion of Grace Church of Ovilla and has been chairman of the planning and zoning committee in Red Oak for 18 years.

Now empty nesters, Barry and Dana stay busy with home remodels, work, at church and are always up for adventures, such as trips and family vacations. Last year, they took a family trip to England and Paris with their sons, daughter-inlaw and a niece. Most recently, they traveled to Jordan and Israel. Even so, building their home and their life together has been and continues to be their greatest adventure. NOW





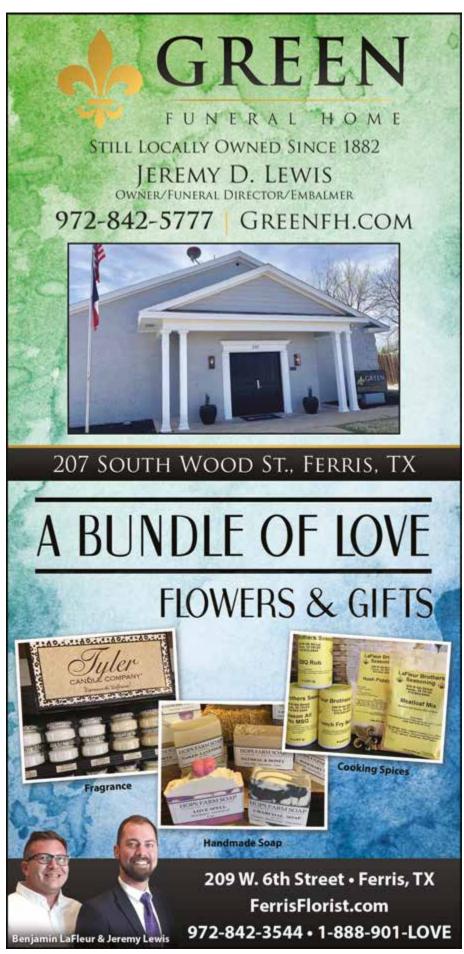
There's more growing in Glenn Heights than the population and number of businesses. Across from the city offices on Hampton Road, in what was an abandoned playground, a group of garden enthusiasts is reaping a harvest of new friendships, civic unity and city beautification as they dig into plots at the Glenn Heights Community Garden.

The community garden is in its second year, and already gardeners have learned many lessons, not just about amending the "practically solid clay" Texas soil, but also about the intangible benefits community gardens yield. "When you have something that a community is working on together, people take more responsibility for things happening in their community. It can actually reduce crime rates. It's much more far-reaching than you think, just digging in the dirt," observed Kim Rainey, one of five community garden board members.

Kim's observations are borne out by research that shows forming community gardens alleviates crime, improves the environment and strengthens community ties. Kim shared that she and fellow board member, Meisa Mason, live in the same neighborhood but were strangers until they met at the community garden. "Now she's one of my best friends," Kim said.

Hand in hand with the strengthening of the community, the garden serves as a learning tool for young and old. "We want to be a resource to the schools, to







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either have the schools do something at the community garden, or even better, have gardens at the schools," Marj McClung, board chairperson, said. Already, a Girl Scout troop works a plot in the garden, giving members hands-on educational experience as the young people engage with their community.

A garden is an ideal place to emphasize the STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) curriculum. Students learn about the environment and weather, about plant, animal and insect life, about the importance of nutritious food, as well as lessons in mathematics. As Marj put it, "If your garden bed is as big as this tabletop, how many seeds do you need if you're going to have enough tomatoes for everybody in the class to have two tomatoes?"

After a successful first year, the garden is growing, although changes in the city's plans for the garden site necessitated some reconfiguring. Glenn Heights is moving forward with plans for a new senior citizens community center on part of the garden's original location. The changes to the site caused by the construction allowed city officials and gardeners to work together to maximize the garden's impact and potential. City officials and gardeners believe the new senior center will enhance the usefulness of the garden, as Glenn Heights' senior citizens are able to take advantage of the benefits the garden offers.

"As the city continues to grow, programs will continue to expand, with the community garden being a leading effort," Community Engagement Administrator Lauren Lewis said. "In





fact, we'd love to see these efforts grow and eventually have gardens located throughout Glenn Heights," she added.

Working with the city to keep Glenn Heights beautiful has been one goal of the community gardeners since its inception, as has expanding the garden beyond its original site. "It would be practical to have a community garden in the city park, and community gardeners have a lot of knowledge they could share with the parks department," Mari said.

Although unification, education, protecting the environment and city beautification are important, Kim insisted the organic, fresh produce shouldn't be discounted. "You get a much better quality vegetable when you put that much work into it. Those were the best tasting zucchini I ever had, because I had to fight the squash bugs tooth and nail to get them," Kim said, laughing as she recalled part of her last season's harvest. Keeping the produce free from chemical pesticides and fertilizers is paramount to the gardeners, and the board must approve all products before they are applied.

Glenn Heights residents have embraced their community garden, as currently there are more applicants for garden plots than there are plots available. Still, Marj said that interested city residents should apply, since it's never too early to start planning for next season. The Glenn Heights Community Garden will continue to expand its mission of education, unity and beautification even as the city itself expands at seemingly record rates. NOW

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Dr. Allala and the staff of professionals at Fearless understand the anxiety often associated with dental care. "A lot of people are very fearful, so I love that we offer sedation. I believe we can get to people who put off treatment for years because

they'd rather go through the pain at home than go to the dentist," she said.

Dr. Allala said that the combination of pills and gases available allows patients to receive dental treatment in a state so relaxed many of them sleep through their procedures. "If people are not afraid to come to their three- or six-month appointments, we can catch problems that might be developing and prevent them from becoming worse," she said.

Dr. Allala is dedicated to educating her patients about the real cause of tooth decay. The good news for children and other sweet lovers is it's not candy. "Candy is not the problem. Even fruits can cause cavities. The issue is we're not getting the carbohydrates off of the tooth," she explained.

The bacteria in the mouth feeds on carbohydrates, but like candy, the bacteria are not the problem, according to Dr. Allala. "Bacteria in our mouths is normal. It's a symbiotic relationship: We like them. They like us. They're not the bad guys, either. When we eat foods that are sticky, like carbohydrates, they stay on our teeth. The bacteria hang out where the food is, just like

humans hang out in the kitchen at a party. The bacteria eat the food stuck to our teeth, and their waste — this is real - is acid. It's that acid that causes cavities, not the food or the bacteria.

"I think if it were explained more that, Your job is to get every particle of food off of your tooth,' patients could never have another cavity."

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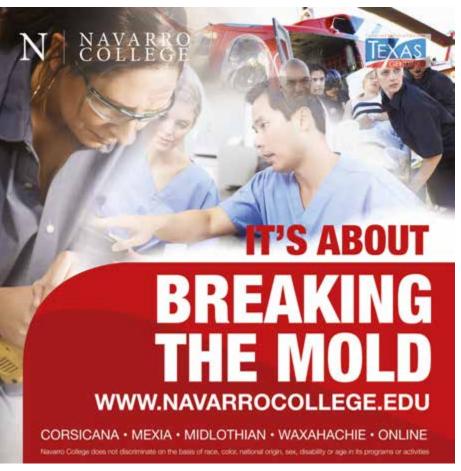
Born and raised in Brownsville, Texas, Dr. Allala has always pursued challenges. "I've always wanted to grow in my character, in my person, by experiencing life on my own," she shared, explaining her choice of colleges far from home in San Antonio and then Dallas' Baylor College of Dentistry (now Texas A&M College of Dentistry).

"My career path has been similar to my college life. I just want to get out there and grow," she said. Her first job out of dental school was in a Medicaid office. From there, she made the leap to a practice in the Preston Hollow area.

After more than a year there, Dr. Allala was again ready to stretch herself. A one-stop destination for smile makeovers, offering implants, dentures, veneers and bridges, as well as fullservice general dentistry coupled with a staff who Dr. Allala described as "amazing" made Fearless Dental the perfect fit.

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# **Zoomed In:**

Ekaterina Wilson

By Sally Fuller

Ekaterina Wilson (center), sixth grade science teacher, and sixth-graders, Abigail Macias and Brennan Wilkinson, were a few of those from Ferris ISD who sold baked goods at Mutz Park in Ferris recently. The money from the bake sale is for the sixth grade's annual Creamer Auction.

Named after a former teacher who began the tradition more than a decade ago, the auction rewards students at the end of each school year. "Students collect play money throughout the school year by being good, turning in papers, for being on time," Ekaterina said.

"It's a big push for discipline, because at the end of the year the students turn their Creamer Money in for wonderful gifts at the Creamer Auction," she explained.

# **Around Town**



Monica Lemon and her children, Kamden, Zylanda and Zyara Harrison (standing) and Farryn Harrison (seated) enjoy a picnic lunch at Mutz Park in Ferris.



Sam and Joyce Hassell of Ovilla show off Bluebird, their baby-blue 1959 Ford Skyliner, at the Ferris FFA Show and Shine Car Show.



ROISD Superintendent Dr. Mike Goddard displays the certificate the district received for being a statewide semi-finalist in the 2019 H-E-B Excellence in Education Award.



Mariachi Perla de Mexico entertains the several hundred North Ellis County residents attending the city of Glenn Heights Cinco de Mayo Community Celebration.



Addyson Kelly, Estella Vega and Aiden Todd pause for a picture with some exotic birds at Dallas World Aquarium during a field trip with Red Oak's Wooden Elementary.



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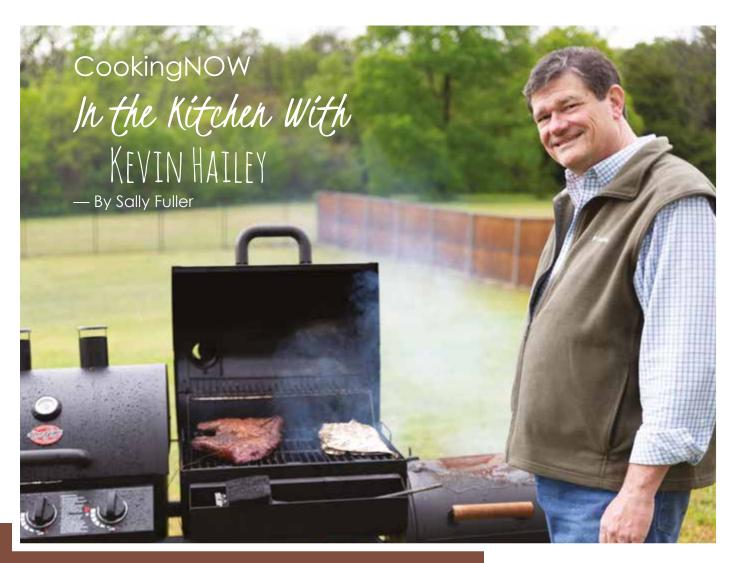
Glenn Heights Fire Department personnel take part in a promotion ceremony.



Ferris ISD teachers Sarah Morgan and Lindsay Orr and Deputy Superintendent T.J. Knight show off T-shirts designed by a Ferris ISD student during the city's annual Earth Day celebration.







For Kevin Hailey, cooking is a time where "everyone gathers in the kitchen, and we catch up on what's going on." Skilled at indoor and outdoor cooking, Kevin's home-style favorites include fried foods, among them fried pork ribs. "You start with long, lean, thin pork ribs, then fry them like a pork chop. My mom makes them for my birthday," he shared.

For grilling, Kevin uses a charcoal-wood combination. "I use a variety of woods. Pecan is my favorite, but I also use mesquite, oak and apple."

Indoors or out, Kevin's favorite cooking is "event cooking." Recently, he hosted a "grilled cheese night" where guests built sandwiches from a buffet of breads, cheeses, meats and other items, then let Kevin handle the grilling. "We had a blast concocting some very unique sandwiches," he said. Now

# **Smoked Ribs (Dry Rub)**

1-2 racks baby back ribs (depending on the size of the grill)

Dry seasonings of your choice, to taste (Suggestions: Montreal Steak Seasoning, Dan Pastorini's Seasoning or a variety of dry rubs from Meat Church Barbecue Supply, Waxahachie.) Charcoal

#### Pecan wood chips (or wood of your choice) Barbecue sauce of your choice (optional)

- **I.** Rinse ribs. Remove the membrane; pat dry.
- **2.** Rub ribs with dry spices; use enough to cover all surfaces.
- **3.** Cover and refrigerate overnight. (If a shorter seasoning time is necessary, increase the amount of rub applied.)
- 4. Start a charcoal fire in the grill, using

enough to maintain heat for the duration of the cooking time. Avoid the use of lighter fluid.

- **5.** When charcoal has burned down to coals, add the wood chips.
- **6.** Maintain cooking temperature around 250 F.
- **7.** Place ribs on grill; cook until the internal temperature reaches 160 F, approximately 3 hours depending on the amount and thickness of the ribs. (The ribs can be cooked as a single rack or split into smaller sections as the grill allows).
- **8.** If desired, brush with barbecue sauce 15-30 minutes before removing from the grill.
- **9.** After removing from the grill, wrap ribs in foil to keep them warm and moist.

# Southwest Corn Bake

1 14.75-oz. can cream style corn

1/3 cup cornmeal

1/8 tsp. salt

3 oz. grated cheese (cheddar, pepper jack or blend of choice)

1/4 tsp. baking powder I large egg, beaten I can green chilies, chopped

- **I.** Heat oven to 350 F. Spray a small casserole dish lightly with cooking spray.
- 2. Combine all ingredients in a large bowl, adding the green chilies to your taste; mix well.
- **3.** Pour mixture into the prepared casserole dish.
- **4.** Bake for approximately 25 minutes, or until firm.

#### Home-baked Hot Rolls

Makes 1 dozen.

3 cups Bisquick baking mix

1 Tbsp. sugar

1 10-oz. bottle of beer

- **I.** Heat oven to 400 F.
- 2. Combine all ingredients in a bowl; mix well. The batter will be thin.
- **3.** Spoon batter into a lightly greased muffin pan, filling the cups 2/3 full.
- **4.** Bake 25-30 minutes, or until done.

## **German Chocolate Cake With Coconut-pecan Filling**

Cake:

I pkg. yellow cake mix, 2-layer size

1 pkg. Bakers German Sweet Chocolate, melted

- 1 3.4-oz pkg. Jell-O Vanilla **Instant Pudding**
- 4 eggs
- 1 1/4 cups buttermilk
- 1/4 cup oil

Coconut-pecan Filling:

I cup evaporated milk

1 cup sugar

3 egg yolks, slightly beaten

1/2 cup butter

1 1/2 cups coconut, shredded

I cup pecans, chopped

1 tsp. vanilla extract

- 1. For cake: Heat oven to 350 F. Grease and flour 3 9-inch cake pans.
- 2. Combine all cake ingredients in a large mixing bowl; blend for 4 minutes at medium speed.
- 3. Pour into prepared cake pans, dividing batter equally.
- **4.** Bake for 30 minutes, or until cake springs back when lightly pressed.
- **5.** For filling: Combine first four ingredients in a medium saucepan.
- 6. Cook over medium heat until thickened, stirring frequently (approximately 10-12 minutes).



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**7.** Remove from heat; stir in shredded coconut, chopped pecans and vanilla extract. **8.** Cool, beating with a mixer at low speed occasionally until filling reaches spreading consistency. Ice the cake.

## **Baked Beans**

- I family-size can pork and beans
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1/2 cup ketchup
- 1 Tbsp. yellow mustard
- 4-8 strips of thick-cut bacon, fried (Cooked brisket or pork rib meat may be substituted if preferred.)

# 1/2 cup brown sugar Bourbon, to taste

- **I.** Heat oven to 300 F.
- **2.** Mix all ingredients; bake in a large baking dish for 1 hour.

# Chocolate-covered Key Lime Pie Popsicles

- 2 8-oz. pkgs. cream cheese, softened 1/2 cup key lime juice, bottled or freshly squeezed
- 1 14-oz. can sweetened condensed milk
- 1 Tbsp. lime zest

#### I cup Cool Whip I graham cracker crust Baker's Semi-sweet Chocolate, melted (enough to dip and cover slices of pie)

- 1. Mix first five ingredients with mixer until smooth, adding Cool Whip last. Pour into pie crust.
- **2.** Chill pie in refrigerator until firm; slice.
- **3.** Insert a popsicle stick in the wide end of each pie slice; place in the freezer.
- **4.** When frozen, dip in warm semi-sweet chocolate (to counter the sweetness of the pie) to create a shell.







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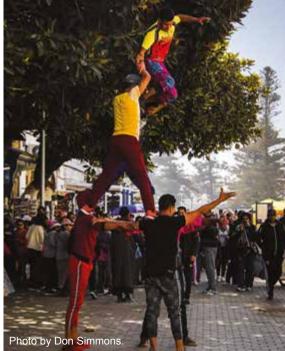
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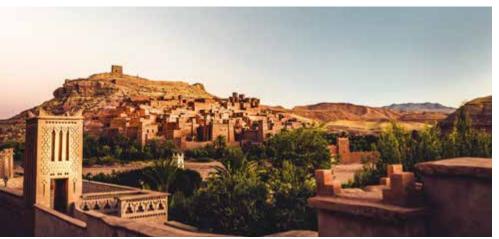
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# TravelNOW Exotic Paradise

— By Joy Horn

Bursting with culture and natural beauty, Morocco is the perfect place for an exotic, dreamland adventure. Located in Northern Africa, the Atlas Mountains, Sahara Desert and Mediterranean Sea offer tourists a natural haven for exploration.

Step into Marrakesh for a unique look at city life, from snake charmers to markets filled with local treasures. Fresh food in this African paradise satisfies hard-to-please cravings and awakens senses with new flavors.

Marrakesh is one of the largest cities in Morocco and a common first stop, immersing visitors in local culture and cuisine. In this must-see mecca of beauty, orange trees decorate every corner of the city, while palm trees and cacti seem to reach the sky.

Visit the La Mamounia historic hotel to enjoy 200-yearold gardens and a place Winston Churchill called "the most beautiful spot in the world." Balconies overlook the terra-cotta buildings of the desert-like city, while the snowcapped peeks of the Atlas Mountains create harmonious views. In the busy streets, motorcycles and people commuting by donkey give the city a primitive feel.

Freshly squeezed orange juice and mint tea are staples of Moroccan culture everyone must try. Visit nearby eateries to enjoy traditional dishes, such as tagine: a slow-cooked stew often prepared and served in a distinctive cone-shaped pot. The dish comes in many varieties including vegetables, lamb, chicken and fruit.

Other Moroccan delicacies include couscous, shish kabobs and roasted lamb. Exotic spices, such as cumin, saffron, turmeric, cinnamon and ginger, are used to enhance the flavor of fresh food and are sold at the market in heaping mounds of colorful displays. Sign up for a cooking class to learn the art of Moroccan cuisine.

Once the sun sets in Marrakesh, wander into the world-famous market called the Jemaa el-Fnaa, located in the old city, or medina, to experience live entertainment, such as dancing, snake charmers and magicians. Even with all the excitement, alcohol is never seen

and not an element of the culture, although some restaurants serve alcoholic beverages.

Nearby, markets, or "souks," beckon shoppers or curious onlookers into a world of color, aroma and diversity. Treasures, such as leather bags, Moroccan-style rugs and brass hanging lamps, are among the loot that can be bought at a bargain.

One thing you must know when traveling to this area is how to barter. Additionally, though the official languages of Morocco are Berber and Arabic, almost everywhere you go people speak some English or Spanish making communication possible.

Venture out of the city for a change of scenery and trip to the mountains. For about \$130 plus tip, hire a driver to take you through beautiful farmland flourishing with orange trees and olive groves. Along the way, visit the Atlas Studios to see the world's largest film studio, home of shows such as Ben Hur, The Mummy and Game of Thrones.

Another attraction worth seeing is Aït Benhaddou, also known as "The Mud City," located in the foothills of the Atlas Mountains. The buildings, made from clay brick, date to more than 1,000 years old. Throughout the countryside, you can also find Argan farms where the popular oil is harvested by goats who climb the trees.

If beach life is your vibe, there is plenty of coast to choose from, where life slows down compared to the frantic streets of Marrakesh. Stop into Essaouira, and go for a camel ride on the beach, or visit a local market to feast on freshly caught fish.

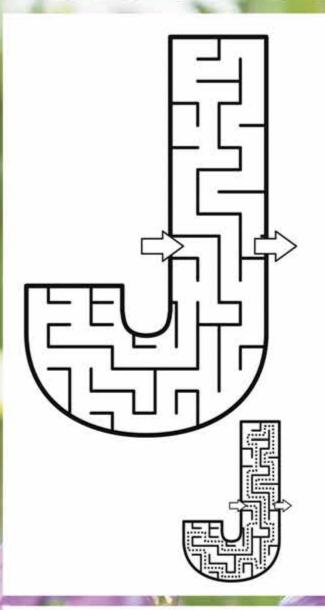
Seaport fisherman sell their catch for the day and throw carcasses to the birds while outdoor restaurants allow you to pick your own fish before cooking it to perfection. Visit the farmer's market to see tables piled with strawberries, oranges with the stem and leaves attached and blueberries arranged in huge mounds free from plastic containers.

The Sahara Desert is just around the corner if you're up for a true adventure. Climb aboard a camel's back to explore the sand dunes on a guided tour for a once-in-a-lifetime, magical experience. Guides offer many different packages from day trips to overnight camping excursions where you can watch the sunset to the beat of drums then spend the night in a tent under the stars. NOW





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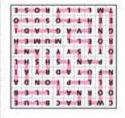
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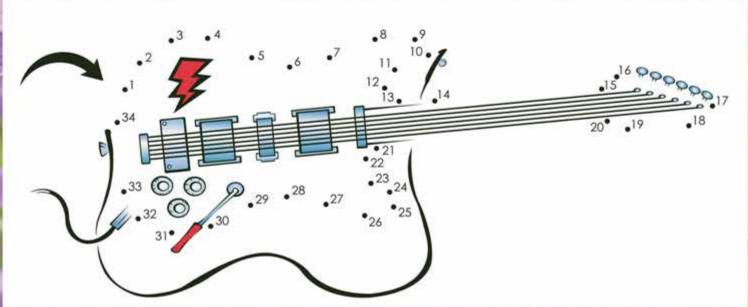
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#### Across

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- 4 Dashboard acronym
- 7 Ungentlemanly sort
- 10 Newsworthy N Y S E event
- 11 A Gershwin
- 12 Tint
- 13 And so on
- 14 Scooting
- 16 Old card game
- 17 Enthusiast
- 18 Fix-all material
- 20 Implement
- 21 Hazard
- 24 Deplored
- 27 Rock concert venues, often
- 29 Before in verse
- 30 Inner city areas
- 31 Nelson Mandela's party
- 32 Silver state
- 33 Anger
- 34 Meadow
- 35 Tony Blair and others, briefly
- 36 Spanish literary hero
- 37 Wily

#### Down

- 1 Paddock
- 2 Decide to guit
- 3 Post-Baroque architectural style
- 4 Delaware's region
- 5 Italian designer Mario ---
- 6 Put-upon
- 7 With it, sartorially
- 8 Agatha, to Bertie Wooster
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- 15 Connection
- 19 Property manager's sign
- 22 Purloins
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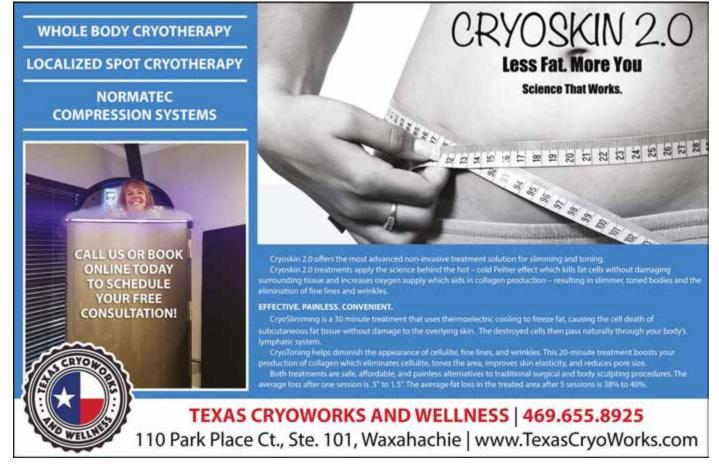
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# Glenn Heights Family Festival:

Celebrate Glenn Heights' 50th anniversary with fun for all ages featuring, bounce houses, a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, a mariachi band, a cakewalk, food and more! Live entertainment includes R&B artists Tony! Toni! Tone! and Dru Hill. 4:00-10:00 p.m., Heritage Community Park, 400 E. Bear Creek Rd. For information, visit glennheightstx.gov.

# Annual Pancake Breakfast Fly-In:

Breakfast tickets for adults and children 8 and over: \$6; children under 8: \$3. Free parking. 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m., Mid-Way Regional Airport, 131 Airport Dr., Midlothian. Call (972) 923-0080 or visit www.mid-wayregional.com.

# 6/5-7/31

#### **Summer Reading Club:**

The Red Oak Library will host events every **Tuesday-Thursday**. For dates and event details, visit redoaktx.org/calendar.

## 6/8

#### **Family Fun Event:**

The Red Oak Baseball and Softball Association invites you to enjoy bounce houses, free family-friendly games and a movie, face painting, homerun derby and food from the concession stands. 4:00-9:00 p.m., Red Oak Baseball Fields, 300 Live Oak St.

## 6/10-6/14

# In the Wild! Amazing Encounters With lesus:

Bear Creek Baptist Church vacation Bible school for preschool-high school. Free. 6:30-8:30 p.m., 1810 S. Hampton Rd., Glenn Heights. (972) 230-3136.

# 6/15

#### Ovilla Music in the Park:

Features the Vanderburg Brothers. Free. 7:00-9:00 p.m., Heritage Park, Main Street. (972) 617-7262.

# 6/24-6/27

## Power Up 2019!:

First Baptist Church Red Oak vacation Bible school for K-5th grade. Free. 6:00-8:30 p.m., 320 E. Ovilla Rd. (972) 617-3591.

# 6/25 & 6/27

## The Creature Teacher:

An educational and entertaining free event that allows children and adults an up-close experience with a wide array of animals. 6/25: 2:00 p.m.; 6/27: 7:00 p.m., Red Oak Public Library, 200 Lakeview Pkwy. For details, visit redoaktx.org/library.

# 6/25-6/28

#### Roar 2019!:

Grace Church of Ovilla vacation Bible school for K-6th grade. Free. 5:30-8:30 p.m., 519 Westmoreland Rd. Email office@gracechurchovilla.org.

## 6/29

# Red Oak, White and Blue:

Red Oak's Fourth of July celebration with food, fun and fireworks. Bring your lawn chairs and coolers. There will be an obstacle course, live music, food, bounce houses, a DJ and more. No pets, no glass, no alcohol. 6:30-10:00 p.m. (fireworks at 9:15 p.m.), The Oaks Church, 777 S. I-35E (Exit 408). For information, call (469) 218-1202. Rainout date 6/30.

# Tuesdays and Thursdays

# North Ellis Co. Outreach Assistance:

Assistance is for those living within the 75154 and 75125 ZIP codes or within the Red Oak and Ferris ISD boundaries. Ferris location: 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m., 205 S. Main St., Ferris. Red Oak location: Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m., 404 S. State Hwy. 342, Red Oak. (972) 617-7261.

# Second Wednesdays

## Sarah's Laughter Infertility Support Group for Ellis County:

7:00-8:30 p.m., Gateway Church Midlothian, 555 N. Walnut Grove Rd., Midlothian. Contact amy@sarahs-laughter.com.

# Second Thursdays

#### **Ovilla Service League:**

Projects include annual fundraisers to support the Ovilla police and fire departments, collecting food for local charitable organizations and providing support for Heritage Day. 10:00 a.m., Ovilla City Hall, 105 Cockrell Hill Rd. Jane Watson, (214) 769-8591.

# Third Saturdays

#### Ferris Trade Days:

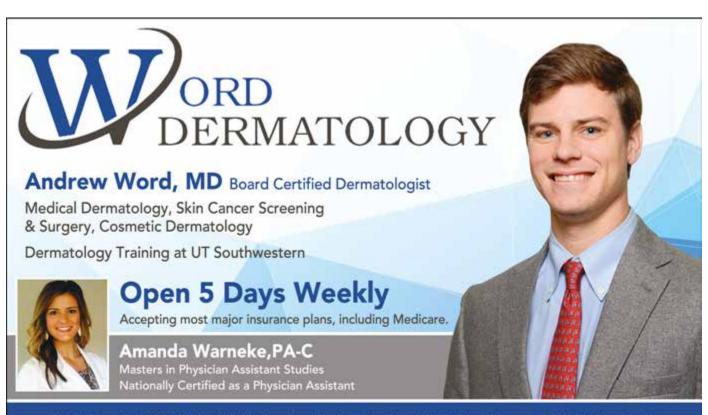
8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., 101 S. Main St. (469) 309-9287.

# Sundays

#### Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting:

5:00 p.m., Midway Baptist Church, 4511 FM 660, Ferris. Michael Peeples, (830) 928-4177 or mikepeeples@outlook.com.

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