

*Picture of the Week: November 24, 2014 – The Sails Within*



*2 Elkridge, Maryland*

I'm back in Maryland from my western adventure, and the weather is 70 degrees today! I looked at a tree outside to find it had small blossoms from its branches. Either this tree willfully blooms or the weather is making it confused. The weather might be nice, but it shouldn't be this warm in Maryland!

Anyways, my last state to visit was Texas to see my cousin in Dallas, who I hadn't seen in 10 years, as well as make a visit to my old home in Denton, about an hour away

from Dallas. I had a lot of local good eats, including pie, maple pecan cookies and an Italian prosciutto and mozzarella panini- not all at once though. :)

My neighborhood and home in Denton still looked the same, except the trees showed the age. It's hard to believe my family was the first to live in our house, and now who knows how many families have lived there since. When I was little, farms used to be behind our home, and I would venture out to pet the horses. Now, only homes exist. Change always comes with time.



*1 Emporium Pies, Dallas, Texas*



*3 21 Wellington Oaks, Circle, Denton, Texas*

It's Thanksgiving this week, and while we should always be in a place of gratitude, I hope we can also have some laughter too. Read or watch something funny, do something funny or find anything to laugh about, even if it's yourself. My cousin, uncle and I took a picture where we made faces, and it always makes me laugh to look at it. Even as adults, we should allow ourselves to be silly sometimes. Laughter is great because it raises our spirits and allows us to look at life more playfully. So I hope you have some laughs this week, expected or unexpected, and have a wonderful, peaceful Thanksgiving!

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*4 My cousin, Machele, Uncle, Clifton and I at Jimmy's*