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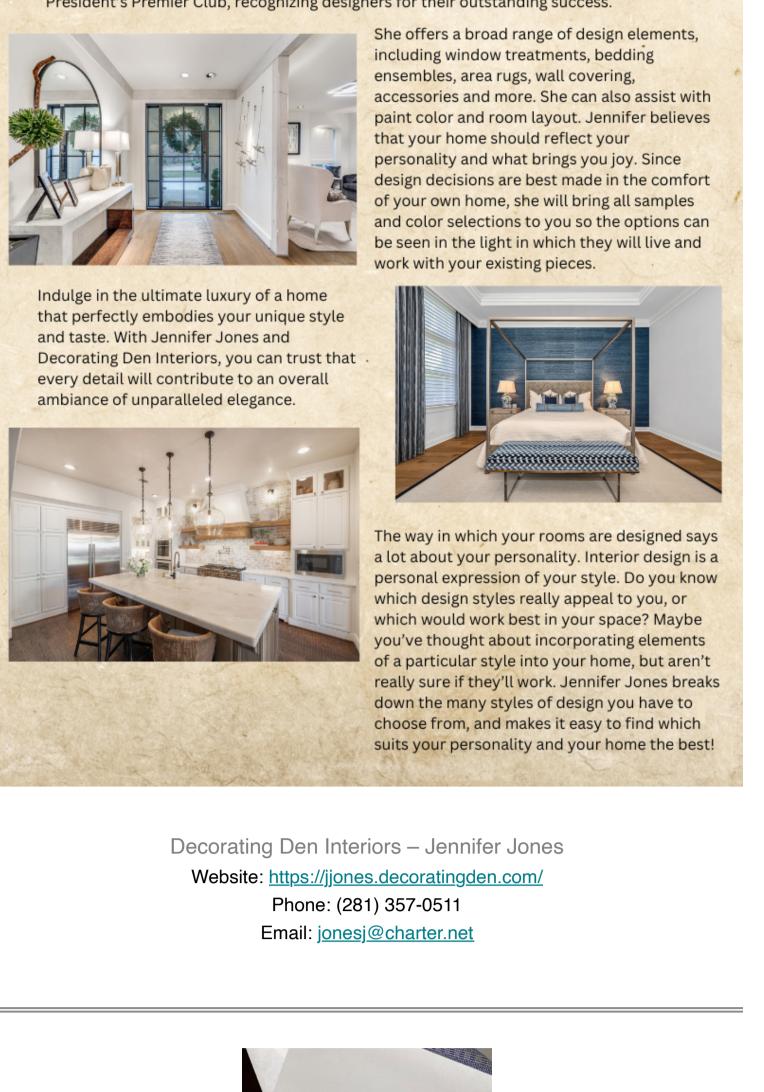
This month, we celebrate Trisha's 14th Work Anniversary with Lone Star Greeting

our success. Over the years, she has greeted challenges with a smile, brought

warmth to every connection, and made a lasting impact on both our team and the

Service! Her dedication, hard work, and positive energy have been a cornerstone of





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You are the winner of a \$25 Gift Card to HEB!

Another lucky homeowner will win a \$25 HEB gift card in our monthly drawing.

Will it be you?

decommissioned in 2007.

18 inches at the bottom.

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The Buffalo Bayou Park Cistern

The Buffalo Bayou Park Cistern, built in 1926, was one of Houston's early underground

reservoirs, storing drinking water and providing support for the municipal water system.

In 2010, Buffalo Bayou Partnership rediscovered the largely forgotten site while developing

Buffalo Bayou Park. Recognizing its historical and architectural significance, BBP worked

with a Houston-based architecture and engineering firm to restore and repurpose the

Cistern into the magnificent public space it is today. Additions include a ground-level

• It held 15 million gallons of water when functioning at capacity.

After operating for decades, an irreparable leak was found, and the reservoir was

passageway to allow for easy entrance into the Cistern and updated the shelf on the perimeter of the space to create a six-foot-wide walkway with guardrails. The Cistern opened to the public in May 2016. FUN FACTS ABOUT THE CISTERN • It is 87,500 square feet or the size of 1.5 football fields.

• The thick concrete roof and tapered concrete walls range from 8 inches at the top to

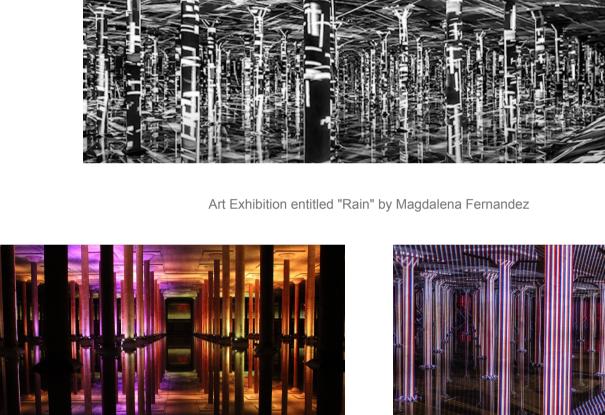
• There is a 17-second echo, contributing to the Cistern's unique acoustics. Singing

tour guides and concerts highlight the surreal effects. https://youtu.be/Rk-

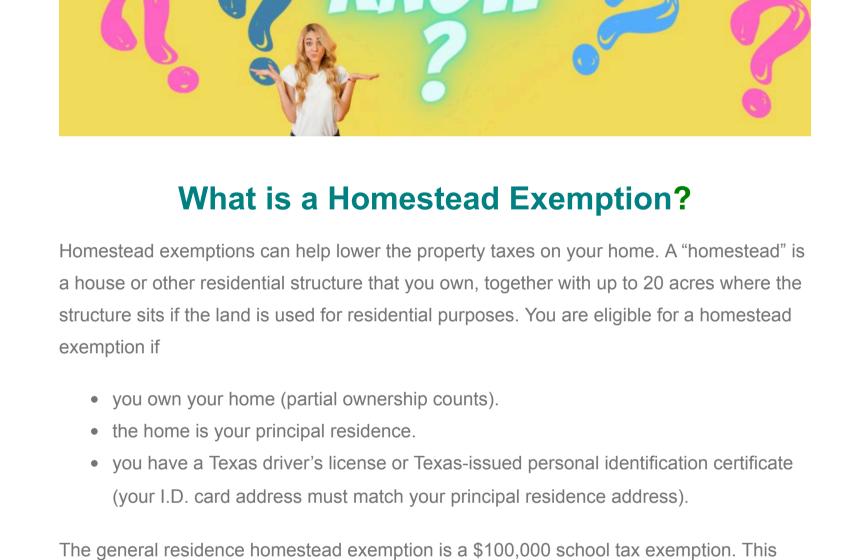
• The Cistern not only offers historical tours, but also a number of rotating art

instillations from artists who make the space their own with light and sound pieces. • The Cistern is a marvel of modern architecture. The Basilica Cistern in Istanbul, Turkey, inspired its design, giving it a cathedral-like appearance. • The cement columns appear to stretch hundreds of feet into the depths thanks to a trick of the light and the still shallow water. For more information, visit: https://buffalobayou.org/tours/

The Buffalo Bayou Cistern offers different tours for visitors to experience the cavernous underground space.







You must apply with your county appraisal district to get a homestead exemption. Applying is free and only needs to be filed once. You can apply for a homestead exemption at any time, but if your application is postmarked by April 30, the exemption can be processed in time for your property tax bill that comes out in the fall.

You can find forms on your appraisal district website or you can use the Texas Comptroller

forms found here https://comptroller.texas.gov/taxes/property-tax/forms/.

means that your school taxes are calculated as if your home is worth \$100,000 less than

its appraised value. For example, if your home is appraised at \$300,000, you will only be

exemptions for school taxes. These local exemptions are based on a percentage of the

homestead value. If you are elderly or disabled, you qualify for an additional \$10,000

taxed on \$200,000. Some local governments have adopted additional homestead

school tax exemption.

Question: Why shouldn't you fall in love with a pastry chef? Answer: He'll dessert you. Question: What did the paper clip say to the magnet? Answer: "I find you very attractive." Question: What did the scientist say to her Valentine? Answer: "I think of you periodically."

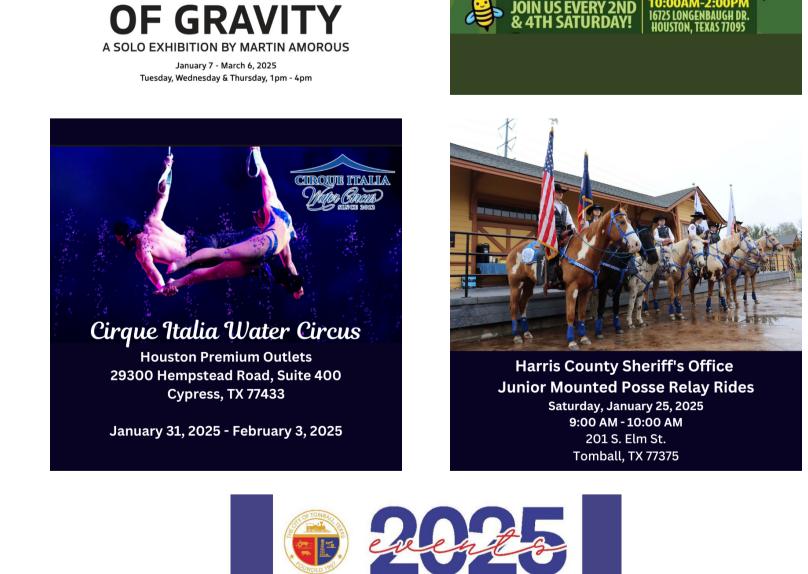
Day?

Question: What did one plate say to the other on Valentine's



PARENTS NIGHT OUT!





CHOO-CHOO **CHOW DOWN** MARCH 22 11 A.M. TO 5 P.M.

RAILS & TAILS MUDBUG FESTIVAL

APRIL 26

THE POETRY





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If you own a business, or know someone who does, we would love to partner with you in welcoming our new homeowners to the area. Our goal is to help new homeowners become familiar with their communities and help your business gain new customers. If you refer a business and they decide to use Lone Star Greeting Service for their marketing needs, we will give you a referral fee of \$25.

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