



# Joyful Journal

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*"We should consider nature our home,  
not a place to visit. "*

— Roxana Jones

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# AND SUMMER HAS BEGUN



< Sam promoted from the 8th grade and will be attending University City High School with Addy next year! It's so cliché but time flies.



> Sam went on the East Coast trip with 95 other 8th graders from her middle school for 7 days. They landed in Boston and traveled to New York (saw Hamilton on Broadway!), Philadelphia, Gettysburg & Washington DC.



< Addy and I celebrated Scott for Father's day with an eBike ride through Mission Beach with an early dinner in Pacific Beach. (Sam was on E Coast Trip)



# National Parents Day

Let's hear it for the Parents on July 23rd!!! Not Mother's Day or Father's Day but National Parents' Day! It is celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every July in the United States. It was established in 1994 when President Bill Clinton signed a Congressional Resolution into law for "recognizing, uplifting, and supporting the role of parents in the rearing of children."

National Parents' Day is a day to celebrate and appreciate the role of parents in our lives. And if you are also a parent, it's an opportunity to remember all we do and how we are role models for our kiddos.

Let's recognize our parent's hard work and sacrifices they make/ made for us. Parents are our first teachers, our mentors, and our friends. They guide us through life's ups and downs and help us become better individuals. This is a day to show our gratitude towards our parents and thank them for everything they do for us. Let us take this opportunity to celebrate our parents and make them feel special on this day. And if our parents are no longer with us, it's a day or moment to reflect on them with love and joy. Give your parents a call or prayer.



**As parents we are celebrating Sam's promotion and ourselves to getting her to high school.**



**“Behind every child who believes in themselves is a parent (or caregiver) who believed in them first.”**

# Do you Know your TX State Facts?

1. The name Texas has originated from the word taysha, which means “friends” in the Caddo (native American) language.

2. The Texas State Fair is the largest in the U.S. It is estimated that almost 3.5 million people attended the fair in 2015.

3. The Texas State Capitol Building is taller than the nation’s Capital building (the U.S. Capitol in Washington) by almost 15 feet and is the sixth tallest state capitol.

4. In 1827, Seven-Eleven opened its first chain and is headquartered in Dallas, Texas. It is also the first convenience store in the U.S. The chain was known as Tote’m Stores until it was renamed in 1946. As of June 2019, 7-Eleven operates, franchises, and licenses 68,236 stores in 17 countries.

5. The highest national speed limit is observed in Texas on a stretch between San Antonio and Austin on Texas State Highway 130. Here it is allowed to drive up to 85 miles per hour.

6. The Highland Park Village in Texas is the first planned shopping center in the U.S. It was constructed in 1931.

7. The famous phrase “Don’t mess with Texas” was coined by an advertising agency that was responsible for helping the state with its anti-litter campaign. In the 1980s Texas spent a whopping \$20 million a year on cleaning up trash along its highways. The slogan became popular and has been since then an unofficial slogan for Texas pride.

8. Texas is one of the mortgage licenses that I hold and can assist with financing there.





# This Happened in July

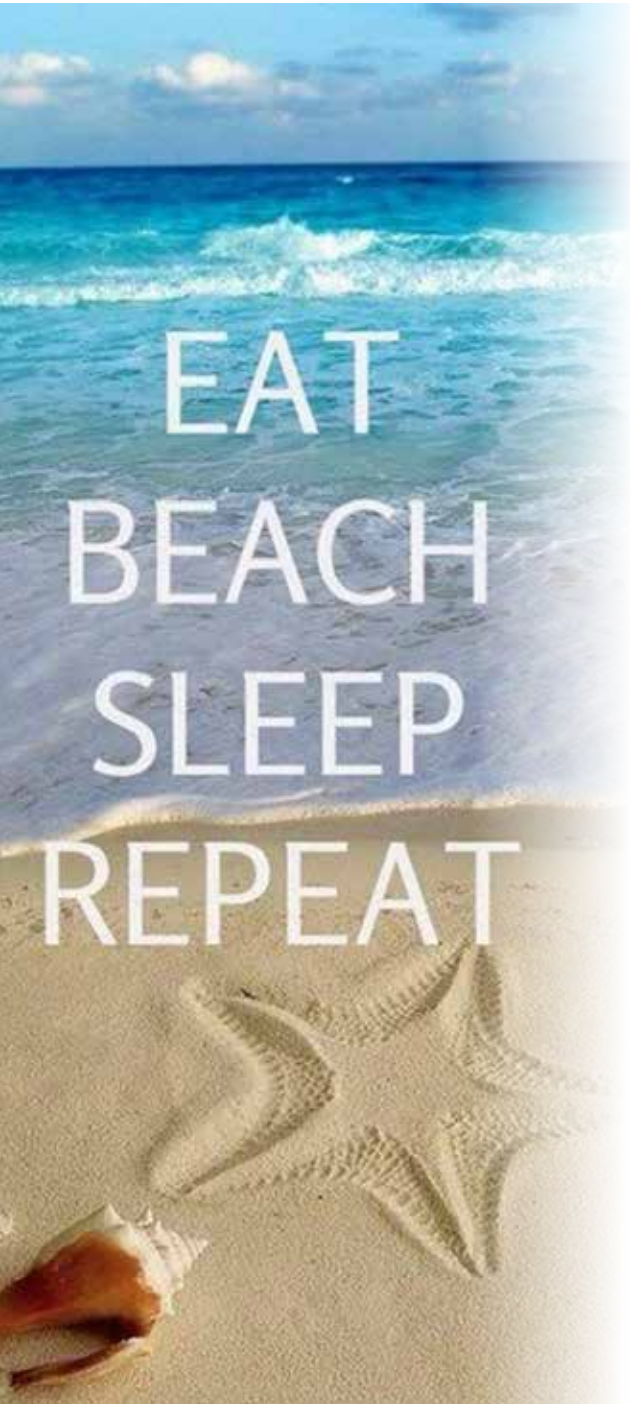
## July 5, 1946

French designer Louis Réard reveals the “bikini”, a daring two-piece swimsuit at a popular pool in Paris. The design was a bra top with two inverted triangles of cloth connected by a string. Micheline Bernardini, a Parisian showgirl, modeled it the new fashion. Réard referred to it as the “bikini” based upon by the news-making US atomic test that took place off the Bikini Atoll in the Pacific Ocean earlier that week. While European woman had been wearing two-piece bathing suits since the 1930s those consisted of a halter top and shorts. Only a sliver the midriff was shown and the naval was properly covered. In the US, the two piece was modest and made its appearance during World War II when there was rationing of fabric. Western Europeans celebrated the first war free summer wearing bikinis. America successfully resisted the bikini rage until the early 1960s when youthful liberation brought the swimsuit to US beaches. Since then, the popularity of the bikini has only continued to grow. [www.history.com](http://www.history.com)





# World's top 10 best beaches for 2022



- 1. Grace Bay Beach:**  
Providenciales, Turks and Caicos
- 2. Varadero Beach:**  
Varadero, Cuba
- 3. Turquoise Bay:**  
Exmouth, Australia
- 4. Quarta Praia:**  
Morro de Sao Paulo, Brazil
- 5. Eagle Beach:**  
Palm - Eagle Beach, Aruba
- 6. Radhanagar Beach:**  
Havelock Island, India
- 7. Baia do Sancho:**  
Fernando de Noronha, Brazil
- 8. Trunk Bay Beach:**  
Virgin Islands National Park, US Virgin Islands
- 9. Baía dos Golfinhos:**  
Praia da Pipa, Brazil
- 10. Spiaggia dei Conigli:**  
Lampedusa, Italy



# Welcome To The Family



Thomas Odegarden & John Allen – referred by realtor  
Jason & Hannah Harper - returning clients

I love recognizing new friends and existing clients who are kind enough to introduce their friends, family, and neighbors to us.



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