

The Glorious Pickle Times

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TODAY'S ACTIVITIES

-Daily LEGO Challenge, Day 16: Help your fellow pioneers build a wagon to make it across the country.

-Try on everything in your closet and see if they 'spark joy.' If they don't, donate to school clothing closets, organizations for those experiencing homelessness, SAFE, or Salvation Army. Clean something *and* help someone!

-Have a costume night! Happy Not Halloween!

-Throw a house-wide Christmas party! Who cares if it's April.

TGPT HOLIDAY: Practice Instrument Day

Review

Movie: Coco

The Rivera family hates music—everyone, that is, except for young Miguel. But he can't show his skill and love in front of his family because music tore their family apart. There's a talent show in town, and if Miguel can win, he can prove to his family that music is good. But he'll need a guitar... 7+.

The Daily Bean

Featured drawing series



The Daily Interview

Erika Nowlin

I'm sure most of us have heard of Austin Allies, a nonprofit corporation started by Erika Nowlin. Well, now we have background information! "I really wanted to help people who were struggling with lots of different things, and I wanted to teach my kids to do the same," says Erika. "I thought as long as I was finding ways to volunteer for my family, that I could offer those opportunities to other families as well." Erika has two favorite parts of running Allies. 1: Knowing that they have made someone's day a little bit better. "It's a great feeling to know that something you did made somebody's life a little better that day," she says. And, number 2: "When I see a kid fall in love with volunteering. My favorite part of any volunteer activity we do is when a kid or family really loves it, and asks when they can come back and do it again." She also has two least favorite parts: 1) It can be difficult to see how much help is needed out in the world, and 2) Knowing that they can't help everyone all the time. The next question was about the well-made name. "Well, we're in Austin, and allies are friends who help. Plus, it's an acronym: Allies stands for Acting, Learning, Leading, Inspiring, Educating, and Serving." Erika has one more piece of advice for us all: "Find a way to volunteer and try it out at least once. I think you will find that it is very rewarding and you will want to do it again and again."

DAD JOKE OF THE DAY

We nicknamed our printer Bob Marley.

It's always jammin'.

Friends by Emily LeJeune

