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## SAVE THE DATE

You Are  
Invited To



## Bulldogs & Hotdogs Bowie Festival

### SATURDAY

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## TEXAS A&M AGRI LIFE EXTENSION

## Chiggers

Chiggers are the immature stage of a mite. They climb onto people walking through infested areas, crawl upwards, and wander around the body seeking a good site to settle down and feed. Feeding preference for these mites is in areas where skin is thinnest or where clothing fits tightly, such as the ankles, waist, behind the knees, and the groin area.

Chiggers do not burrow into skin as many people believe, so “smothering” them with nail polish is useless. When chiggers feed, they inject a digestive enzyme that breaks down skin cells which are then eaten. Itching and redness is caused by our body reacting to the enzymes injected into our skin. Itching typically begins 3-6 hours after being bitten, peaks at 24 hours, and can last up to two weeks.

The best way to avoid getting chiggers is to avoid infested areas. Since this is not always possible, here are some other things to try:

- Wear protective clothing- tightly woven items that fit loosely; including long sleeves & pants; shoes or boots
- Tuck pant legs into boots
- Avoid sitting on the ground
- Remove & launder clothing ASAP after being in infested areas
- Shower/ bathe after being in an infested area; scrub vigorously with a washcloth
- Use an insect repellent with DEET or picaridin

#### To treat chigger infestations around the home try the following:

- Keeping lawn trimmed
- Maintain vegetation; do not allow weeds to grow up & keep brush cleared
- Targeted residual pesticide sprays, usually pyrethroids

#### For chigger bites:

- Do not scratch pustules; opening pustule might lead to infection
- Oral antihistamines or topical anti-itch creams to relieve itching sensation

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at [www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com](http://www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com)

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## DARK CHOCOLATE COCONUT OATMEAL COOKIES



### Ingredients

- |                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| 1 cup butter, melted      | 1 tsp baking soda                                    |
| 1 cup brown sugar, packed | 1 1/2 tsp cinnamon                                   |
| 1/2 cup sugar             | 1 cup shredded coconut                               |
| 2 eggs                    | 1 1/2 cups extra dark chocolate chips (or just dark) |
| 2 tsp vanilla             | 2 1/2 cups old fashioned oats                        |
| 2 cup flour               |  |
| 1 tsp salt                |  |

### Directions

Preheat oven to 350. Line baking sheets with parchment paper and set aside.

Melt butter and let cool for several minutes (to room temp)

In a stand mixer, beat sugar and butter for several minutes until creamy.

Mix in eggs and vanilla and beat for another minute.

In a separate bowl combine flour, salt, soda, cinnamon, and coconut.

Slow mix dry ingredients into wet ingredients and beat until combined.

Stir in extra dark chocolate chips and oats.

Place one inch balls of dough on cookie sheets lined with parchment paper and bake for 10-12 minutes. Let cool for several minutes then move cookies to cooling rack.



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## Kitchen Table Conversations Education Series - Austin

Starting Thursday, August 24th

Held at Alzheimer's Texas, this 3 class series will teach you about end of life issues, making end of life decisions, and honoring out loved one's wishes. Class is from 11-1 pm and light lunch is provided. Registration is required to (512) 241-0420 or at [www.txalz.org](http://www.txalz.org) on the home page or under Classes.

### THE THREE D'S OF ADVANCED CARE PLANNING GETTING YOUR DUCKS IN A ROW

Attend one or all three of these free, interactive workshops where you'll learn how to decide, discuss and document what matters most to you at the end of life.

#### August 24: How to Talk with Your Loved Ones About Your End of Life Wishes

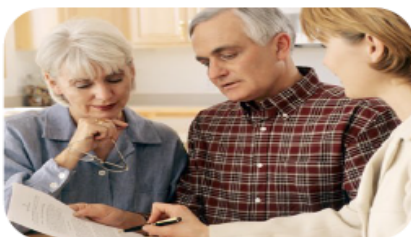
Talking with your loved ones openly and honestly, before a medical crisis happens, gives everyone a shared understanding about what matters most to you at the end of life. Whether you are getting ready to tell someone else what you want, or you want to help someone else get ready to share their wishes.



- **Location:** Alzheimer's Texas 3520 Executive Center Dr. #140
- **Time:** 11:00 AM—1:00 PM
- **Lunch Provided**

#### August 31: How to Choose a Health Care Agent and How to Be a Health Care Agent

It's important to choose a health care agent – the person who will make decisions about your medical care if you become unable to make them for yourself. You'll learn the facts and tips necessary to make sound decisions about choosing, and being, a health care agent.



- **Location:** Alzheimer's Texas 3520 Executive Center Dr. #140
- **Time:** 11:00 AM—1:00 PM
- **Lunch Provided**

#### September 7: How to Talk with Your Doctor About Your End of Life Choices.

After you've had the conversation with your loved ones and chosen your health care agent, the next step is talking to your doctor or nurse about your wishes. Don't wait for a medical crisis; talking with your healthcare provider makes it easier to make medical decisions when the time comes.



- **Location:** Alzheimer's Texas 3520 Executive Center Dr. #140
- **Time:** 11:00 AM—1:00 PM
- **Lunch Provided**

**RSVP-** Visit: [txalz.org](http://txalz.org) - Email: [vcardenas@txalz.org](mailto:vcardenas@txalz.org) - Call: (512) 241-0420



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If you want more information, contact Liz Jensen at 512-301-6966 or [lizleej@gmail.com](mailto:lizleej@gmail.com) or Peter Berardino (The King of SWING) at 512-695-2334 or [peterberardino@gmail.com](mailto:peterberardino@gmail.com).



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DUE: August 31st

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