

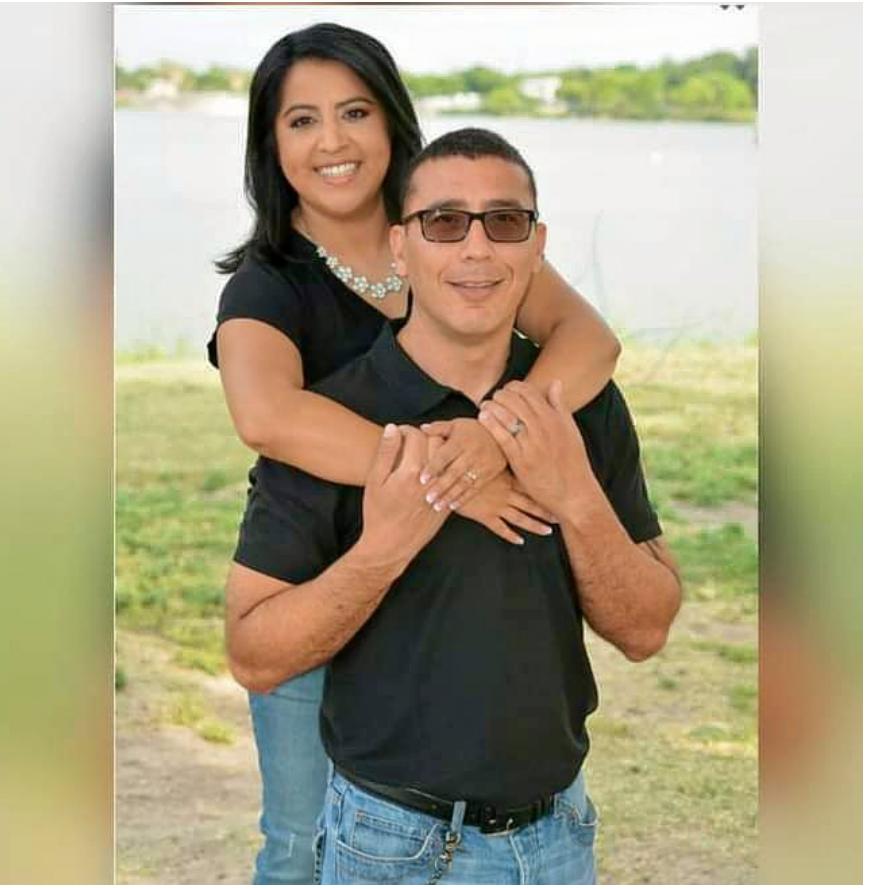
Celebrating Veronica's birthday
in downtown San Antonio



Skydeck at Willis
Tower in Chicago

Hello,

We are Oscar and Veronica and we thank you for taking the time to learn more about our family. We are so excited to be adopting and bringing a child into our family! We hope our story will help you in making your choice. Please know that no matter what you choose, we wish you and your child all the best. We hope this book gives you a glimpse about our family. We look forward to meeting you.



Ziplining on Father's Day



Our first New Year's Eve together as a couple

about us

HOW WE MET

We met on an online dating site in 2016 when Oscar liked a couple of my photos, which made me curious to see the profile of this man who found my pictures interesting. That same day we began speaking privately within the dating app. and then exchanged telephone numbers several days later. We found ourselves texting and talking daily, even throughout our workday. We spoke of many things, mostly family, our interests, jobs, where we had grown up, etc. About two weeks after speaking on the telephone, we had our first in person date. I suggested that we meet for coffee at a local bakery and I arrived 10 minutes early so I could find the perfect spot where I could see everyone that walked in. Our conversation was effortless, and we stayed for two hours before ending our date. I knew immediately that Oscar was the one for me and Oscar said he knew then that I was someone special, and was wanting to spend more time together. Come to find out several of our friends already knew each other and I even went to high school with one of Oscar's friends; crazy how our paths never crossed. We became engaged in November 2016 when Oscar proposed at Bob Hall Pier on Mustang Island Beach, after he got my mom's blessing of course. On December 23, 2017, we were married in front of family and friends and became Mr. & Mrs.

Together we love to go on road trips, gather with friends and family, go hiking at local parks, explore our city, and challenge ourselves with something new each year. At the same time we also appreciate little things like rainy days, date nights/daytime dates, going to the movies, and treating each other with love and respect. We are ready to give our unconditional love to a child and expand our family through the miracle of adoption!



Spending some time in downtown Milwaukee while visiting family.

a little about **OSCAR**

Oscar spent most of his childhood and adulthood in Colorado and then Texas. He has three brothers and two sisters, both of his parents have since passed away. He is an Uncle to many nephews and nieces ranging in age from 18 years old to 32 years old. Oscar loves to fish and go on hikes. You can find him cheering on the Dallas Cowboys during football season and waiting for them to get to the Superbowl. His favorite foods include BBQ, birria tacos, and enjoying a sweet treat every now and then. He received his MBA from Tarleton State University - Central Texas..



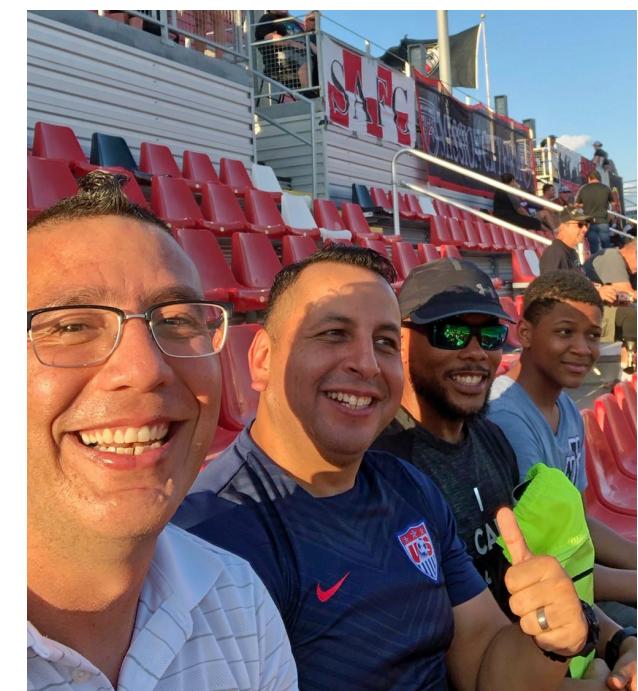
Completing another Ft. Sam Triathlon



One of the many types of workouts Oscar enjoys at his favorite gym.



Enjoying a yummy taco from Torchy's



Enjoying a San Antonio FC game with friends



Veronica's family having some fun during picture time



Veronica at the finish line after completing her first Triathlon.



Wildflower bike ride with friends (16 miles)

a little about **VERONICA**

Veronica grew up in Northwest Indiana along Lake Michigan and moved to upstate New York where she lived for part of her teenage years. She eventually moved to Texas where she graduated from high school and attended college. Veronica is an only child and the oldest of 11 grandkids. Family has always been very important to her, and regardless of where she's been in life she keeps them as a top priority. Her favorite time of year is Fall. She loves the outdoors, and likes to stay active, but also loves to cuddle up inside with a blanket and cup of hot chai tea latte. Her favorite foods include any chocolate dessert, Italian food, and Lou Malnati's Chicago deep dish pizza. She graduated from UT-San Antonio with a Bachelor of Education and also received her Masters in Library of Science degree in 2014 from Sam Houston State University.



What a surprise to get this much snow in Texas!

HOW OSCAR DESCRIBES VERONICA



Veronica is my partner for life. I love her very much, I feel that she is one of the most generous, caring, loving, and thoughtful people I know. She is always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone who might need it. More than my wife, Veronica is my best friend. I feel very fortunate to be married to her and to have her in my life. My wish for her is to have the opportunity to be a mother. There is no doubt she will be a great mother and that we will make an outstanding team as parents.

More about Veronica

Occupation: Elementary school librarian at a Dual Language/Title I campus and has been enjoying her dream job for 8 years. She has been in the education field for 14 years.

Favorite Book: The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton

Favorite Movie: Uncle Buck

Favorite Places: Sedona, Arizona and Maui, HI



HOW VERONICA DESCRIBES OSCAR



More about Oscar

Occupation: Data Analyst for over 10 years (work from home)

Favorite Book: Lonesome Dove by Larry McMurtry

Favorite Movie: Guardians of the Galaxy

Favorite Places: Home and Mustang Island

OUR *home* AND NEIGHBORHOOD



We live in a family oriented neighborhood, with about 5 public parks and 2 amusement parks within driving distance. Our home is a one story and has 3 bedrooms. Our favorite place in our house is our large living room because it is set up for family fun. We also love our big backyard which is great for hosting friends, having outdoor movie night, relaxing by our fire pit, and we even have a small inflatable pool for our friends' kids to cool off during those hot days when we all get together.



One of six public parks close to our home



We live just outside the city but can easily get to downtown in about 25 minutes. The designated schools (elementary thru high school) for our neighborhood are all within a 1 - 3 mile radius of our home, and our church is just a 3 minute drive down the road.



Our church where Veronica is part of the Greeter Team



THESE ARE OUR
FAMILY & FRIENDS

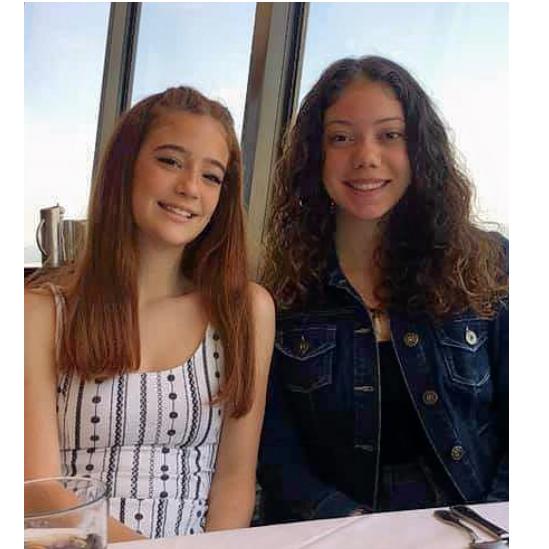
Veronica with some of her family



Oscar and his siblings



Oscar as a boy with his parents



Oscar's two daughters that live out of state.
(17 years old and 21 years old)
The oldest is his step daughter & he has been in her life since she was 3 years old.

Dinner with friends



Spending time with our nephews & niece



MORE
PHOTOS OF
EXTENDED
family



Oscar's nephew and his two kids



Oscar's brother with his wife and daughter

Oscar's nephews and nieces.

Oscar's family is spread throughout the country. At least two times a year he visits the majority of his family that resides in Milwaukee. He has three brothers, two sisters, over a dozen first cousins, and 9 nieces and nephews. His family is originally from Colorado.



Veronica's cousin and her kids



Homemade lunch with Veronica's mom



BBQ get together with Veronica's family

Veronica's family all live in Indiana, with the exception of her mom who retired and moved to Texas. She comes from a loving and tight knit family. They try to all come together at least two to three times a year. She has one Aunt and two Uncles, ten first cousins, and more than a dozen second cousins. Her family is originally from Indiana.

FAMILY TRADITIONS

AS A FAMILY WE HAVE MANY TRADITIONS AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO THEM EACH SEASON.



Going to the theater to watch The Nutcracker. This has been a mother/daughter tradition since Veronica was in elementary school.



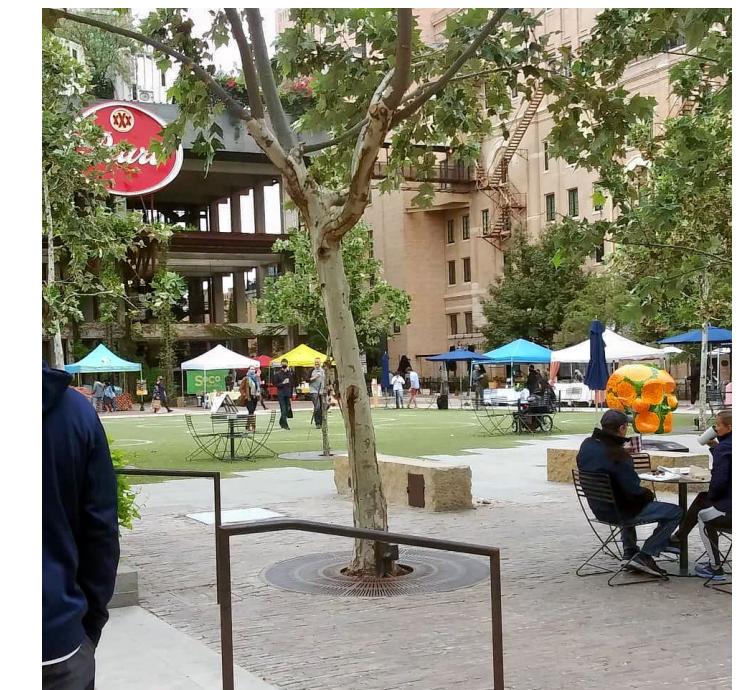
Our annual Be My Valentine 5K



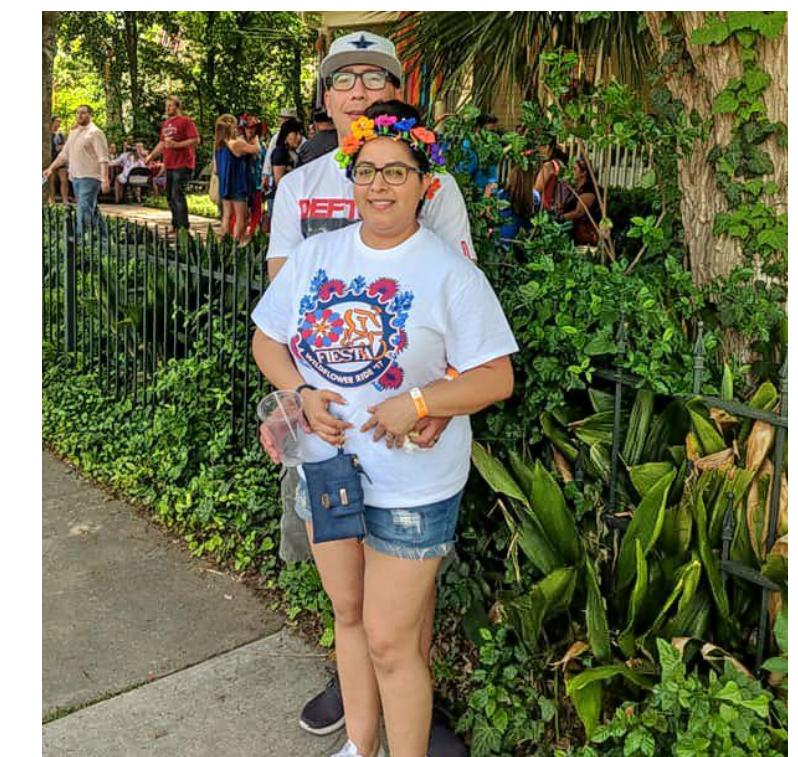
Decorating our gingerbread house to be our Christmas centerpiece.



Visiting Jenschke Orchards to pick our Halloween pumpkins.



When the weather cools down we make monthly trips to the local Farmers Market. We enjoy some breakfast, walk around, & enjoy the weather.



Attending the King William Fair during Fiesta.



Our Interests

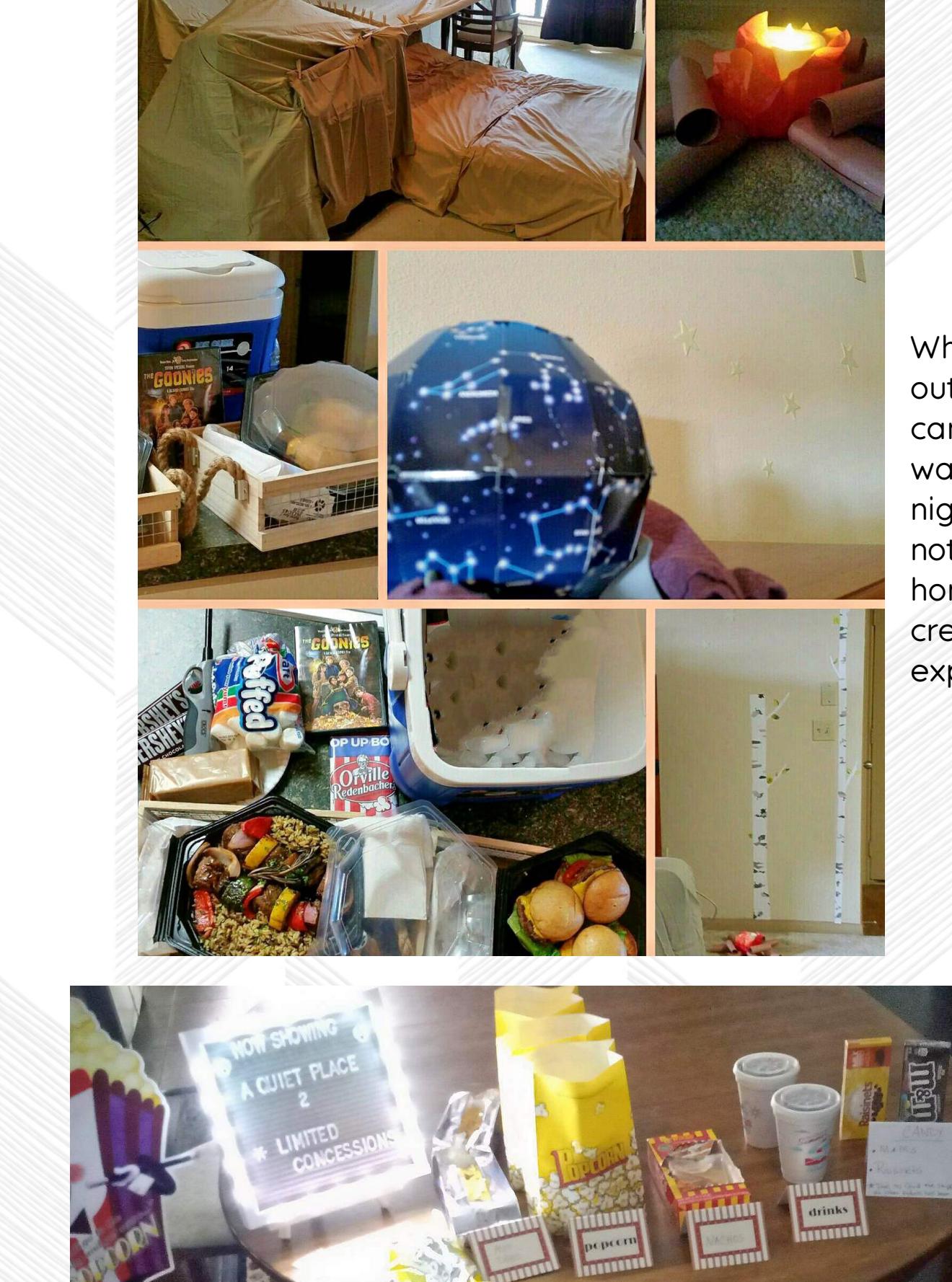
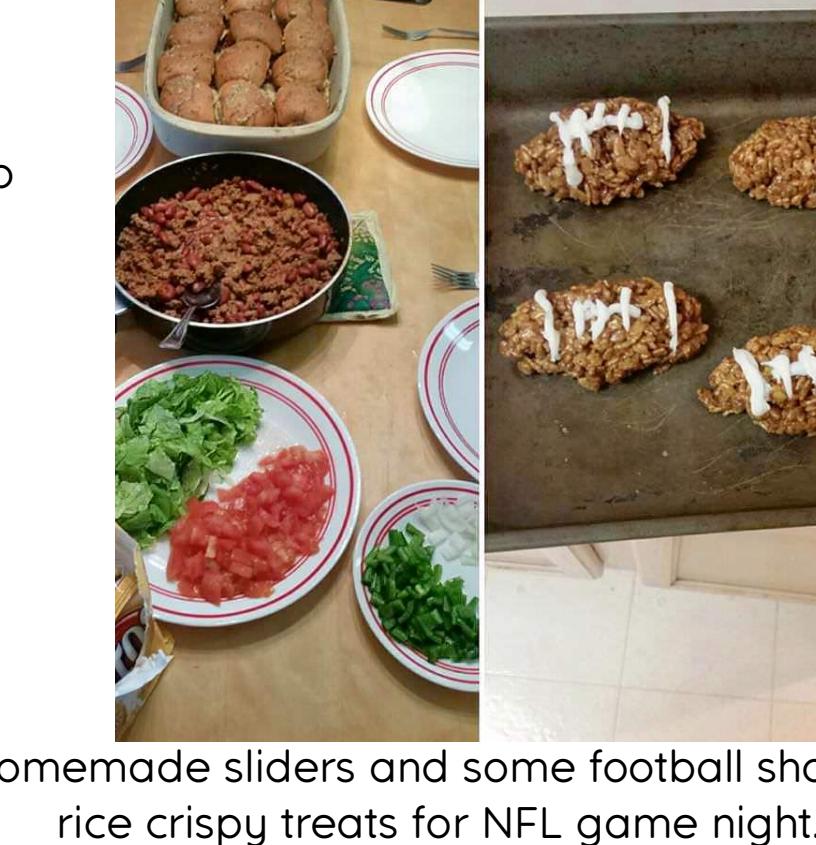
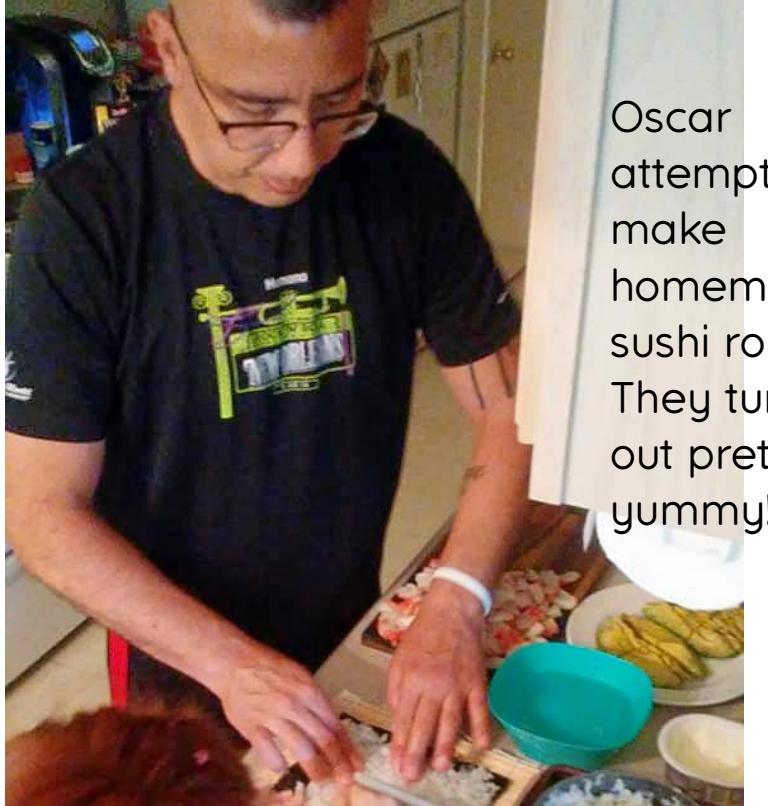
Together we love to see and experience new places, people, and foods! We appreciate the beauty of the world around us, and try to soak in as much as we can each year, whether it's around our home or out of state destinations. Recently we had the opportunity to go to St. Louis, MO and Memphis, TN.

Whether it's going to the Art Museum to learn about different artwork (even if we don't quite understand them all), to feeling what it's like to skydive, or just having a yummy foodie experience at a new place.



Having new experiences such as attending our first hockey game or finding a local experience riding a steam train. We also love our Spurs and cheering them on in person.

S O M U C H F U N A T H O M E



Why Adoption?

Veronica has always wanted to adopt and knew it would be part of her life especially having had childhood friends that were adopted. Oscar has had first hand experience raising a child that is not biologically his, his oldest daughter, and knows that you can love a child with all your heart no matter if they are biologically your child. Oscar and Veronica also have two sets of friends that have adopted and have been able to be part of their journey over these past 5 years.

They are interested in open adoption because they believe in the importance of allowing children to know where they came from, however, they are open to any level of openness you feel most comfortable with. .



Our promise to you...

We have dreamed about being parents and having a child to raise together in a loving faith-based home! We are very excited to be adopting and have so much love to share. Please always know we will unconditionally love and cherish your child and we will make sure that he/she will be proud to be adopted. We hope this book gave you a look at our lives and we look forward to meeting you. Thank you for taking the time to read our book.

Sincerely,
Oscar and Veronica

Enjoying some time at Blanco River, one of our favorite locations.



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