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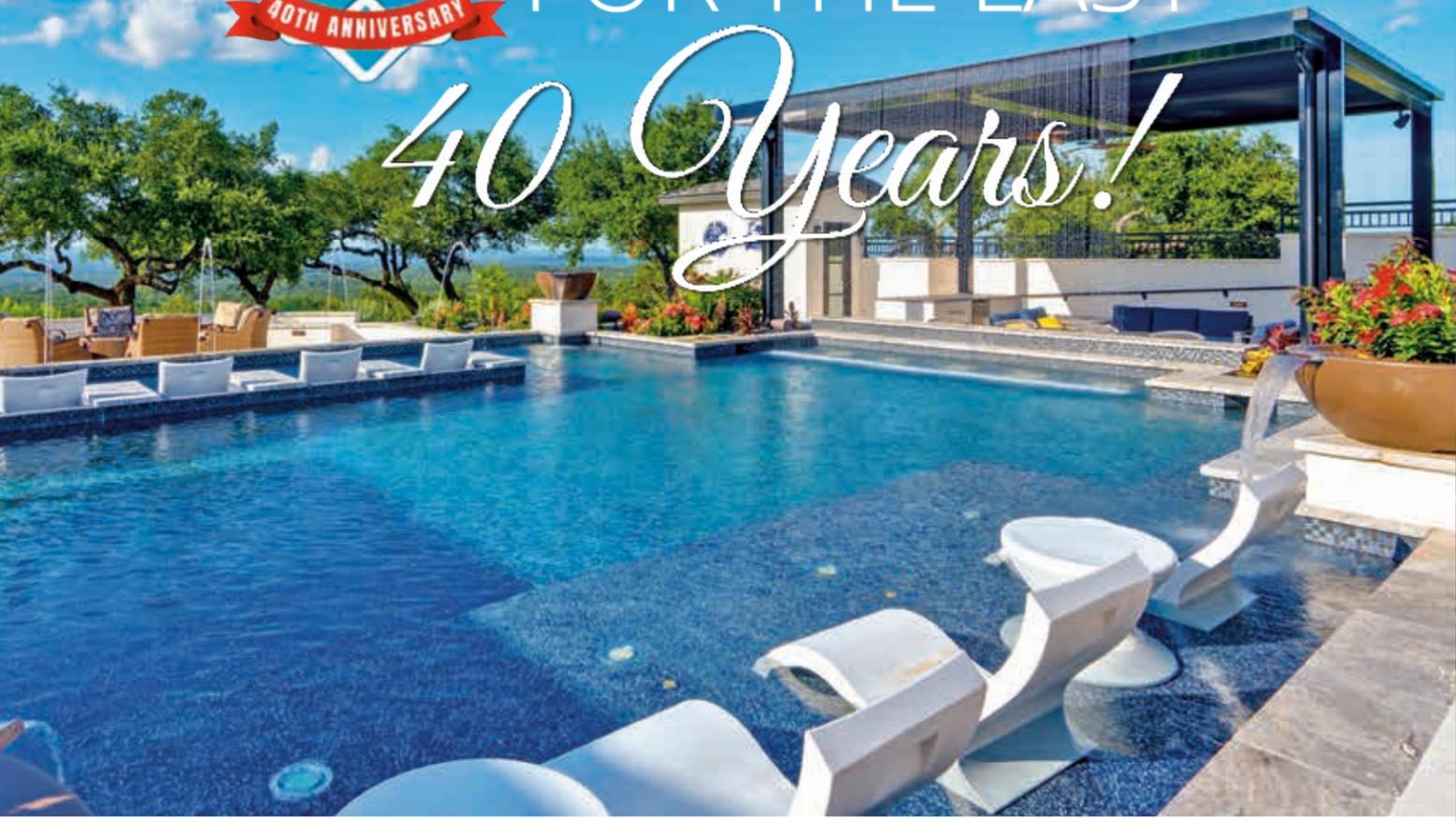
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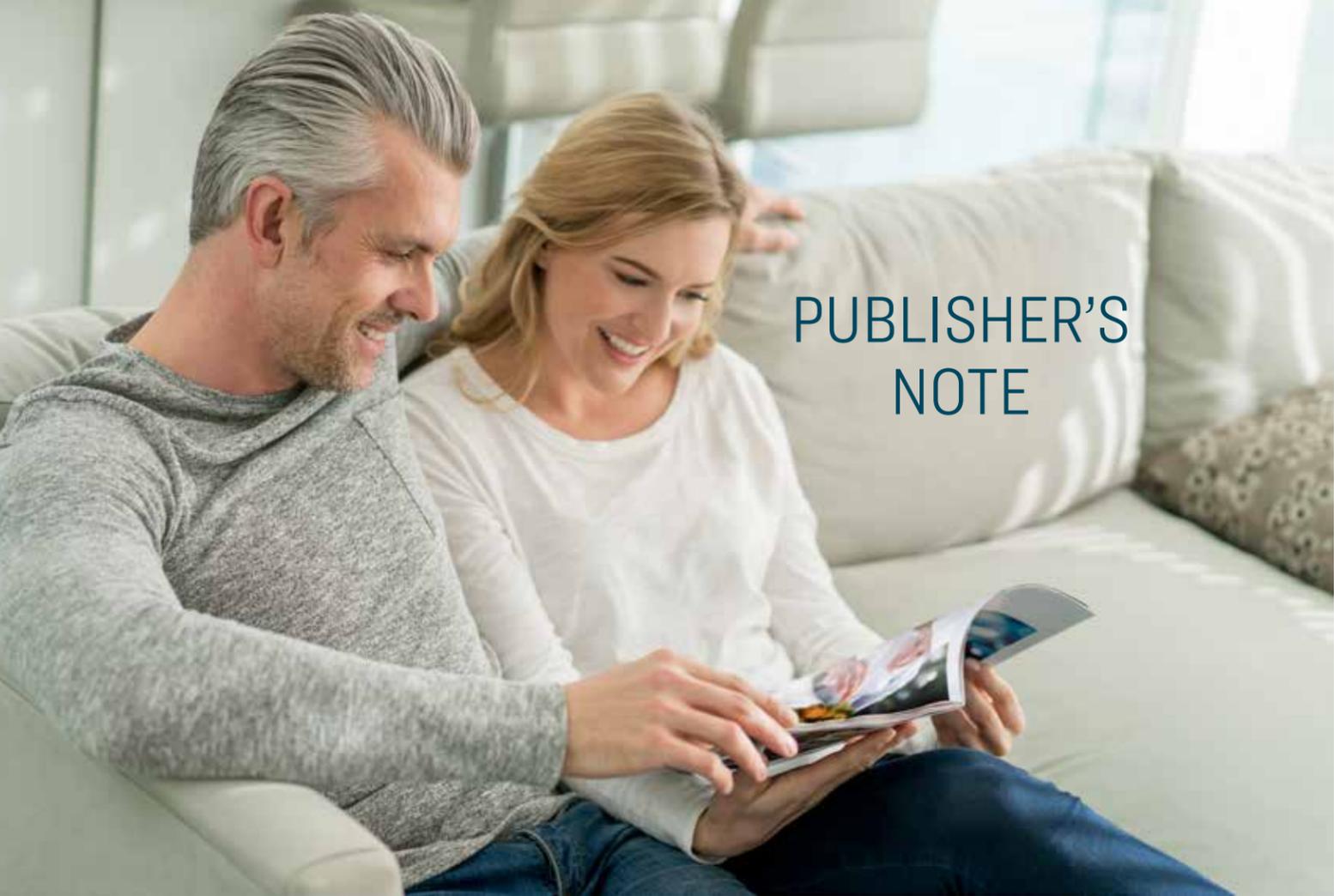
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The Dominion is not just a place—it's a lifestyle, a close-knit community defined by elegance, ambition, and camaraderie. We understand that living here means more than having an address; it means being part of something special. That's why this magazine exists—to reflect the values, successes, and aspirations of this extraordinary community while providing a platform for us to connect, share, and grow together.

What makes *Stroll The Dominion* truly unique is our commitment to staying local. We're not about broad strokes or general appeal; instead, we focus on what matters to *you*, our neighbors. From the latest events at the club to features on the families/kids/pets/business owners of this neighborhood, every page is curated with our community in mind. We highlight the hidden gems and talents that make *The Dominion* thrive, showcasing the stories of the people who call this neighborhood home.

In these pages, you'll find more than just articles—you'll find inspiration. As a publication created for *The Dominion* and by *The Dominion*, we also rely on your input to make this magazine a true reflection of our community. Have a story idea? Know a neighbor with an inspiring story to share? We want to hear from you! Together, we can ensure *this publication* continues to serve as a meaningful resource that not only informs but also strengthens the bonds between us.

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In every edition, our goal is to capture the heartbeat of *The Dominion*. This is more than just a magazine; it's a celebration of who we are as neighbors, friends, and families. So, as you flip through these pages, we hope you feel a sense of pride and belonging that only comes with being part of something as special as *San Antonio's premier community*.



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Joslyn Burrows



NEIGHBOR SPOTLIGHT!

The dazzling sunset turns the soft clouds red like velvet as pinks and purples reflect off the glassy surface of Higgins Lake. Joslyn, who's always held this place close to her heart, stands on the shoreline, taking in the scene's magnificence. Beside her stands her two daughters, Morgan and Jordan, and beside them, their husbands. Joslyn recalls memories of standing along that same shoreline as a child with her sisters beside her, taking in the same natural splendor. She smiles as she reflects on the past while embracing the present, reminded that sometimes life has a wonderful way of coming full circle.

Raised with her three sisters in Memphis, Tennessee, after her mother relocated to be closer to family, Joslyn Burrows' upbringing instilled in her the importance of family values and having a strong work ethic. Having attended Northwestern University, her mother also held education in high regard. Everyone was expected to contribute by making their bed each morning and cleaning up after every dinner, which was always enjoyed as a family. Joslyn attended Catholic school and went to church every Sunday. Once a year she'd visit Higgins Lake in Michigan where her father had a cottage. As a student, Joslyn excelled, and was always an officer on her student council. Naturally driven, she began babysitting at 14, and by 16 found steady part-time work.

She studied pre-nursing at Michigan State where she also held an office in her sorority. Though she loved her sorority, she couldn't bear the cold, and so she transferred to the University of Memphis. With an entrepreneurial spirit and a desire to go into business for





herself one day, she switched majors and earned her degree in business. After a stint in medical sales, Joslyn and her former husband relocated from Memphis to Houston in 1992 to open two franchise stores for her former father-in-law. After a time, they briefly returned to Memphis where Joslyn had her firstborn, Morgan, who was delivered by Joslyn's best friend since the 4th grade. In '95, they returned to Houston where, in 1998, they welcomed Jordon to the world. Not long after, she purchased her first home after an ad for The Phyllis Browning Company caught her eye- another event that would one day come full circle. By the end of '98, however, she relocated from Houston to San Antonio with her two beautiful daughters and former husband to open more franchises.

empty nesters like myself. And, of course, the people here have always been so friendly and wonderful."

As Morgan and Jordon grew up, Joslyn enjoyed being involved in or attending all their activities- chapel, Girl Scouts, volleyball games and dance competitions. When they were very young, Joslyn renewed her childhood tradition of visiting Higgins Lake annually. She'd watch as her daughters would explore, swim, and skip stones just as she had. Often, they'd be accompanied by Joslyn's sisters, nephews, and dad.

In 2017, after her youngest had left for college and Joslyn had sold the last of her franchises, she decided to try her hand at real estate. Today, Joslyn is a well respected Realtor with The Phyllis Browning Company who quickly found success because of her outlook and approach to the industry. "I'm a people pleaser by nature," she says, "I am

In 1999, Joslyn arrived in the Dominion after falling in love with the look and feel of the community. "My realtor said that the Dominion is so sought after and has such a great variety of homes that it's common for people to continue to move within the community," Joslyn shares in an interview, "I was so surprised by her comment. Well, as it turns out, I'm now on my 5th Dominion home!"

After her arrival, life in the Dominion took on a charm all its own. Joslyn fondly recalls days spent with her girls swimming at the country club or taking tennis lessons. When the girls were little they also enjoyed going to see the swans at the lake, a place that she now enjoys taking her dog, Lilly. Joslyn continues to attend as many HOA events as she can and is a member of the Dominion Women's Forum and Sanctuary Ladies Lunch Group. "There are so many things that I love about the Dominion," Joslyn says, smiling, "The security is top notch, and as a single woman, I feel safe walking Lilly at night. Although there's new construction, there's still a consistency of the terrain, like the lake. The variety of homes cater to all stages of life, from large families to

very honest with my sellers and share with them exactly what they need to do to their home to be able to list at the highest price with the fewest days on the market. I also take courses to enhance my negotiating skills, which is so important in representing my buyers and sellers." Her kind, approachable, and diligent nature has also enabled her to create long term friendships with many of her clients. Aside from her long standing relationship with the agency, she also appreciates the fact that after each transaction, The Phyllis Browning Company will match any realtor donation made to six select local nonprofits.

In fact, charitable work is something Joslyn proactively stays involved in. For years she's been a member of Impact San Antonio, an all-women organization where members contribute funds to award \$100,000 grants to elected nonprofits in five categories. In 2024, Impact raised \$530,000, and since Joslyn joined the organization has doubled in size. She also supports Dress for Success, an organization that provides programs and education for unemployed women. Other community initiatives she's involved with include Art in the Garden which supports SA East Young Life, Christian Senior Services Meals on Wheels, and the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Joslyn's faith is very important to her and has acted as a true guiding light. As she aptly expressed, "my faith has led me through all the phases of my life." For the past 24 years, she has attended the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, and actively participates in a Women's Bible Study with her Realtor friends.

It's evident that Joslyn is no stranger to hard work and a busy schedule, and 2024 was no different, but in a most splendid way. In February, Morgan was married to a wonderful gentleman named Will, and two short months later, Jordon was married to Marshall. Joslyn is happy to report that both husbands are "amazing young men", and she couldn't be more excited for her daughters as they enter this new chapter of their lives. "Anyone



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who knows me knows that I talk about my daughters nonstop!" Joslyn laughs, "I just love them, and I'm so proud of them." Morgan works as an accountant and just recently bought her first home in San Antonio, and Jordon works in the medical field in Dallas.

With the weddings behind her, Joslyn now looks forward to continuing her rewarding work in real estate while simultaneously finding ways to incorporate activities like taking pickleball lessons and resuming pilates into her routine. She enjoys vacations,

like her recent birthday trip to Cabo where she checked a huge item off her bucket list by catching not one, but five marlin. She loves her daily walks with Lilly and, of course, her annual trip to Higgins Lake where she can watch the majestic sunset in the company of the ones she loves most.





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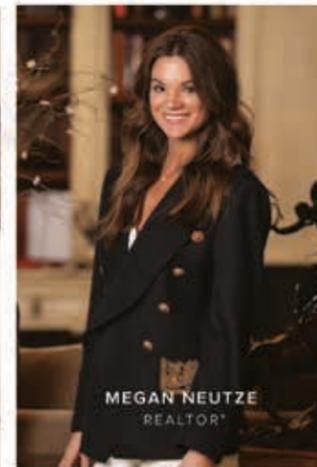
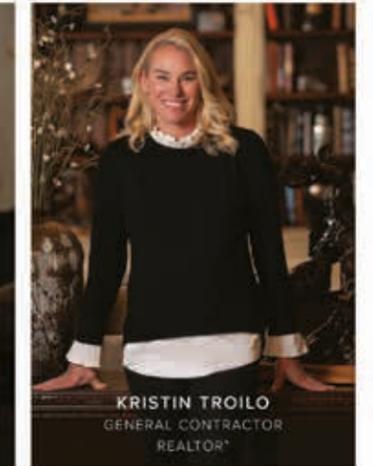




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Essential Tips for Your Q1 Financial Check-Up

BY CINDY SNYDER, VICE PRESIDENT FROST

As we settle into the first quarter of 2025, now is a great time to review your financial health plan and ensure you're on track to meet your goals. Think of it as an annual physical for your finances — a proactive step to build and protect your wealth.

HERE ARE FIVE TIPS FROM OUR TEAM AT FROST TO GUIDE YOUR FIRST-QUARTER FINANCIAL REVIEW.

1. Review and Adjust Your Financial Goals.

Whether you've switched jobs, experienced a significant life event or refined your priorities, these changes may require updates to your financial goals. Set clear objectives and reevaluate your savings strategies to ensure you're building a financial foundation for present and future goals.

2. Revisit Your Retirement Plan.

Significant career changes, such as switching jobs or adjusting your income, may require updates to your contributions and strategy. Make sure your asset allocation still matches your investment objectives and risk tolerance. And if your income has changed, ensure your retirement savings reflect your current financial reality.

3. Strengthen Your Cash Flow and Emergency Fund.

Having a strong financial foundation now is just as important as planning for the future. Assess your cash flow and ensure your emergency fund is held in a liquid, accessible account and can cover three to six months of living expenses to handle unexpected situations. Additionally, consider leveraging debt strategically, such as using home equity to invest in your business or renovate your home for long-term benefits.

4. Optimize Your Insurance Coverage.

Insurance is your financial safety net, but it requires regular upkeep to meet your evolving needs. Schedule a review with your risk advisor to make sure that your financial assets are protected from unforeseen life events.

Consider adding or updating an umbrella policy to protect against excessive liability and reassess your life insurance to adequately support your loved ones. Additionally, ask your risk advisor about long-term care insurance to safeguard your family from the financial strain of assisted living expenses.

5. Update Your Estate Plan.

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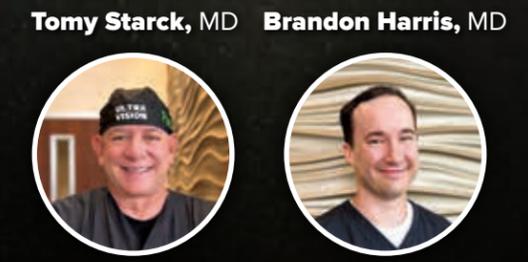
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Elevate your spring sleep routine for brighter days ahead.

BY SHAUNA OSBORNE, NATIONAL EDITOR

AS THE DAYS GET LONGER and the sun starts to shine later into the evening, our bodies often need a little time to adjust to the changing light and schedule. The arrival of daylight savings offers the perfect opportunity to fine-tune sleep habits and ensure we're getting the restful, replenishing sleep we need. Here's how to transition smoothly into the spring season for deeper, more restorative rest.

Sync your sleep schedule with the sun.

Spring's longer days can trick the body's internal clock, so it's important to ease into new sleep habits. Gradually shift bedtime earlier by 10 to 15 minutes each night in the days leading up to the time change, allowing your circadian rhythm to adapt with less stress.

Transform your bedroom into a sanctuary.

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Cultivate a consistent rhythm.

Consistency is the cornerstone of any healthy sleep habit. As you embrace the longer evenings, aim to rise and rest at consistent times, even on weekends. The rhythm of a regular schedule reinforces your body's natural sleep-wake cycle, making it easier to fall and stay asleep.

Soak in the morning sun.

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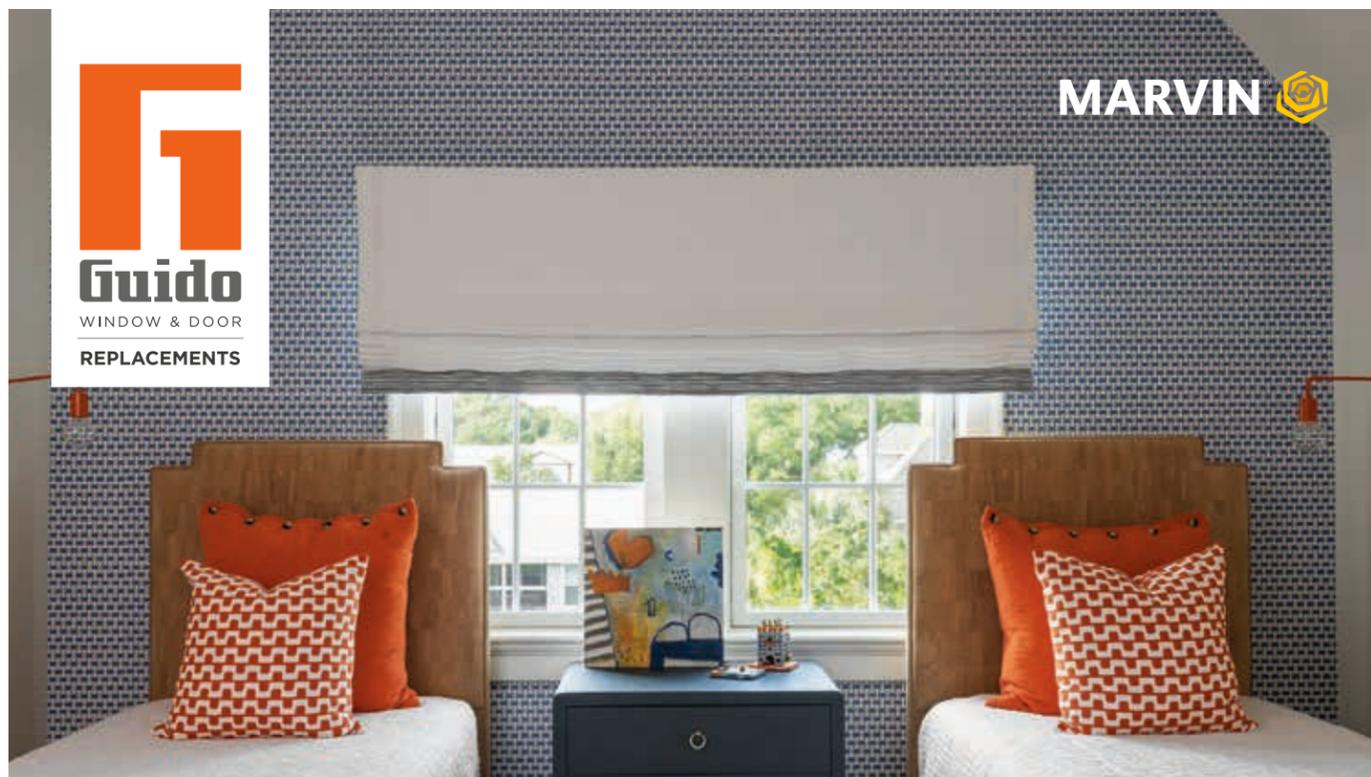
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COLORFUL BELLS

BY CHEF ELAINE PERUSQUIA

As spring approaches, fresh produce is on the minds of cooks everywhere. I never met a pepper I didn't like, and even though local peppers might not make an appearance at the farmers' market until summertime, most varieties are readily available at the grocery store year-round. Bell peppers are on the menu this month, and we have California and Florida to thank for keeping us well supplied throughout winter and spring.

Native to Mexico and Central America, bell peppers are members of the nightshade family and include capsicums of both sweet and hot varieties. Bell peppers may score a flat zero on the Scoville scale, but they certainly don't lack in flavor or utility! What's the difference between green and

colored bells? It is popularly assumed that yellow, orange, and red bell peppers are simply green peppers at different stages of ripening. This is sort of true. Yes, green bell peppers are unripe. But the colored varieties are specific plants unto themselves which bear different colored fruits. You can have a green bell pepper that when ripe becomes a yellow, orange, red, or even a purple pepper. High in vitamin C and antioxidants, peppers are not only beautifully colorful, but healthy. In fact, a large red bell pepper contains more vitamin C than a full cup of strawberries.

Green or colored, bell peppers can be found in any number of world cuisines. A valuable member of the "holy trinity" in Cajun and Creole cooking, green bells bring a

vegetal, mildly bitter flavor to favorites like red beans and rice, etouffee, and gumbo. Whether in an Indian curry, a Chinese stir-fry, Italian peperonata, or a Spanish romesco sauce, sweeter varieties of bell peppers have also found their way around the globe. One of the easiest and most useful applications for bell peppers is to roast them. Roasting peppers is quick, simple, and gives them a smoky, complex flavor. If you have a gas stove, all the better. If not, roast your peppers as close to your oven broiler element as possible. They'll be a bit softer, but still great.

When roasting bell peppers, I typically use the red ones. They are the sweetest, and once roasted, can be used in any number of dishes or sauces. Place the whole peppers directly on a gas flame. Just balance them as best you can on the stove grate, and let them char on all sides (if using your oven broiler, set to high heat and turn the peppers often to char on all sides). Remove to a bowl and cover with plastic wrap or a towel. Allow the peppers to sit until cool enough to handle. Using your hands or a paring knife, scrape the charred skin from the outside, and remove the seeds. Resist the temptation to rinse the roasted peppers under running water. I find that rinsing my hands often is enough to help peel the peppers well. You now have roasted red peppers that can be used in homemade pimento cheese, sweet red pepper hummus, roasted red pepper vinaigrette, or simply dressed with good olive oil for an antipasto platter.

In my work as a private chef, one of my all-time most requested dishes is this month's recipe: Cuban stuffed rainbow peppers. They're great for feeding a crowd, easy to prepare, and visually stunning. The olives and golden raisins make this dish complex with salty and sweet notes. Served with a salad or white rice, there are rarely any leftovers! If there are, they reheat well in the microwave. They're perfect while the evenings might still be a bit chilly, but we're ready to bid heavier soups and stews farewell.

Green or colored, raw or roasted, Mexican or Thai, the bell pepper is ubiquitous. Look beyond their more everyday uses, and I think you'll find all varieties of bell peppers to be an interesting and universally useful ingredient. Healthy and so tasty, they are always a colorful addition to my produce basket. Happy cooking, everyone!

CUBAN STUFFED RAINBOW PEPPERS

- 1 pound ground sirloin
- 1 medium yellow onion, diced
- ½ green bell pepper, diced
- 2 large cloves garlic, finely minced
- ½ teaspoon dried Mexican oregano
- ½ teaspoon each onion powder and garlic powder
- 2 teaspoons smoked paprika (regular paprika is just fine)
- Kosher salt, black pepper
- 1 15 oz can fire roasted diced tomatoes
- 1 5 oz jar pimento-stuffed green olives, drained and sliced
- ½ cup golden raisins
- 1 bunch fresh cilantro, chopped
- 3 large rainbow bell peppers
- ½ cup grated Monterey jack cheese (optional)

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Heat a large skillet or sauté pan over medium high heat. Sear the ground beef until browned and almost done. Reduce heat to medium, add the diced onions and green bell peppers, and cook until translucent, about five minutes. Add the minced garlic, spices, salt, and pepper. Stir until fragrant, about 2 minutes. Stir in the fire roasted tomatoes (with their juice) and the olives. Reduce heat to low, cover, and simmer for about 30 minutes. Uncover, and simmer until most of the liquid is reduced. Remove from heat and add the raisins and cilantro. Taste and adjust seasoning.

2. Spray a medium sized baking dish with olive oil. Slice each rainbow pepper lengthwise through the stem and carefully remove the seeds and any large ribs. Place in the baking dish (you want a dish that holds the peppers snugly, not too large). If the peppers don't want to stand level, brace underneath with a little crinkled aluminum foil. Lightly spray the peppers with olive oil and fill generously with the beef mixture. Cover tightly with aluminum foil and bake for 30 minutes. Uncover, top with a little Monterey jack cheese (if desired), and place under the broiler to brown, about five minutes. Garnish with fresh cilantro sprigs and serve with white rice. Serves 4-6



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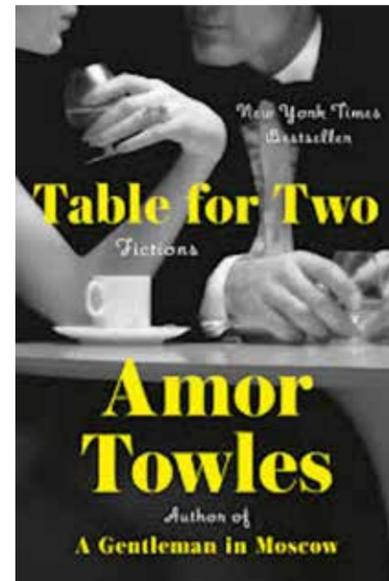
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Table For Two

BY AMOUR TOWLES
REVIEWED BY MARLENE NESLUND



“Amour Towles’ new story collection may be his best book yet,” said Leigh Harber in the LOS ANGELES TIMES. Those of us who are still in love with Towles’ A GENTLEMAN IN MOSCOW may not agree. Nevertheless, TABLE FOR TWO, which contains six short stories set in Manhattan and a novella set in 1930s Hollywood is satisfying on many levels. As always, Amour Towles’ strength lies not only in spinning an interesting tale, but in filling his stories with life-like characters. All the lead figures have a need for fulfillment, satisfaction and happiness.

The first short story, “The Line,” involves a simple soul Pushkin and his cold-hearted wife Irina. They move from Moscow to NYC in 1918. This tale holds the most irony and satire of all the others. In the end, these characters are in the same positions as they were in the beginning.

The fifth story, “The Bootlegger,” is semi-autobiographical. Towles, a New Yorker himself, also observed someone recording a performance at Carnegie Hall. Unlike his judgmental and somewhat pompous character Tommy, Towles did not report the “bootlegger”. Irony again is found in the ending of this tale when the policeman gives Tommy’s wife Mary the confiscated recording of the cellist’s final spectacular piece.

The last short story, “The Didomenico Fragment,” stems from a 2021 work by Towles that was available only on audio. Lacking success, it had a short life. The main character Neil Didominico is replaced in this newer work by Percival Skinner. Older than sixty-five, Percival laments the golden, richer years of his past. He still lives on the Upper East side, lunches at La Maison and dwells in a building with a doorman. Eager to refill his coffers, Percival contacts a few of his colorful relatives in search of a fragment of a painting, “The Annunciation.” Cousin Billy, although not born pompous, attained it by attending “An old prep school and exhibiting some facility in a field sport that you will never have cause to play again; room with a fellow whose name is above the library door; and along the way, gain familiarity with a pastime that

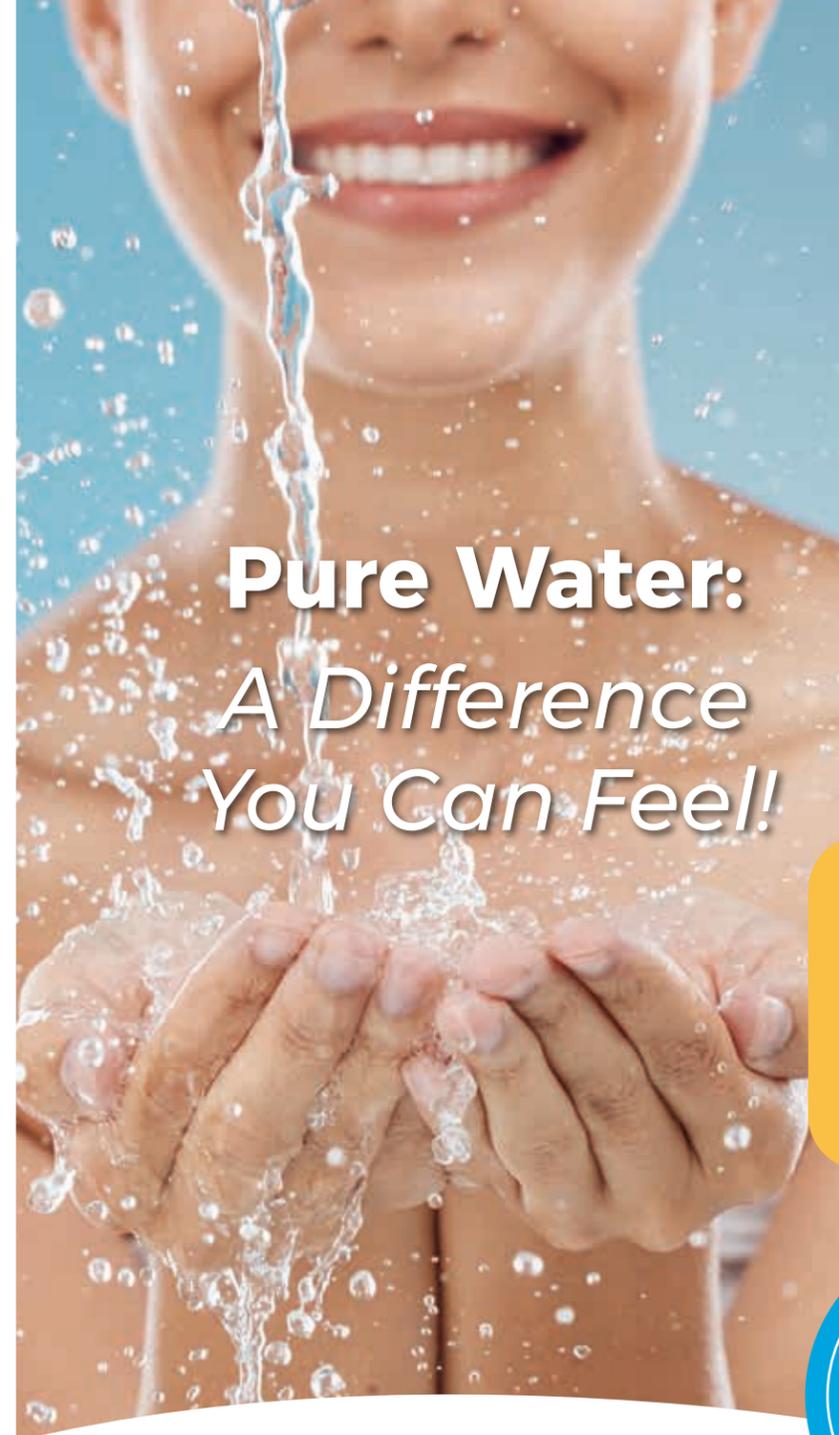
requires travel and specialized apparel—such as duck-hunting or down-hill skiing.”

By far the most interesting tale in this book is the novella. The sparky heroine is Evelyn Ross (from RULES OF CIVILITY). On her train departure from NYC, Evelyn (Eve) meets Charlie, a former homicide detective and relatively new widower on his way back to Los Angeles. At a “table for two,” in the dining car, they get acquainted and their friendship comes in handy as the story progresses. Eve is beautiful, even with a facial scar due to a car accident. She is shrewd, street-smart and discerning. She meets and quickly befriends Olivia de Havilland. Hollywood scenes unfold as the story involves crimes of blackmail and murder. It seems that “Eve in Hollywood” is meant to be on screen.

Amour Towles uses his characters’ journeys to explore the broad themes of relationships in family, marriage and friends. He looks deeply into personal priorities and goals. While turning the pages of this book, the reader may have the feeling that Towles had a good time writing it; a win-win for all involved.



Born in a northern suburb of Chicago, Marlene obtained her BA from Lewis University and did graduate work at Northwestern University and the University of Illinois. Married for 59 years to Robert, she was a “trailing spouse” for fifteen times (non-military). During those moves, she taught high school Honors English, operated and taught a Montessori school, became certified and taught yoga, and recently taught mahjong to some lovely Dominion ladies. Marlene and Bob have been blessed with four children and seven grandchildren, half of which live in Texas. Marlene enjoys activities with her church, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Bible Study, yoga, walking, aqua aerobics, bridge, book club, mahjong and, of course, reading.



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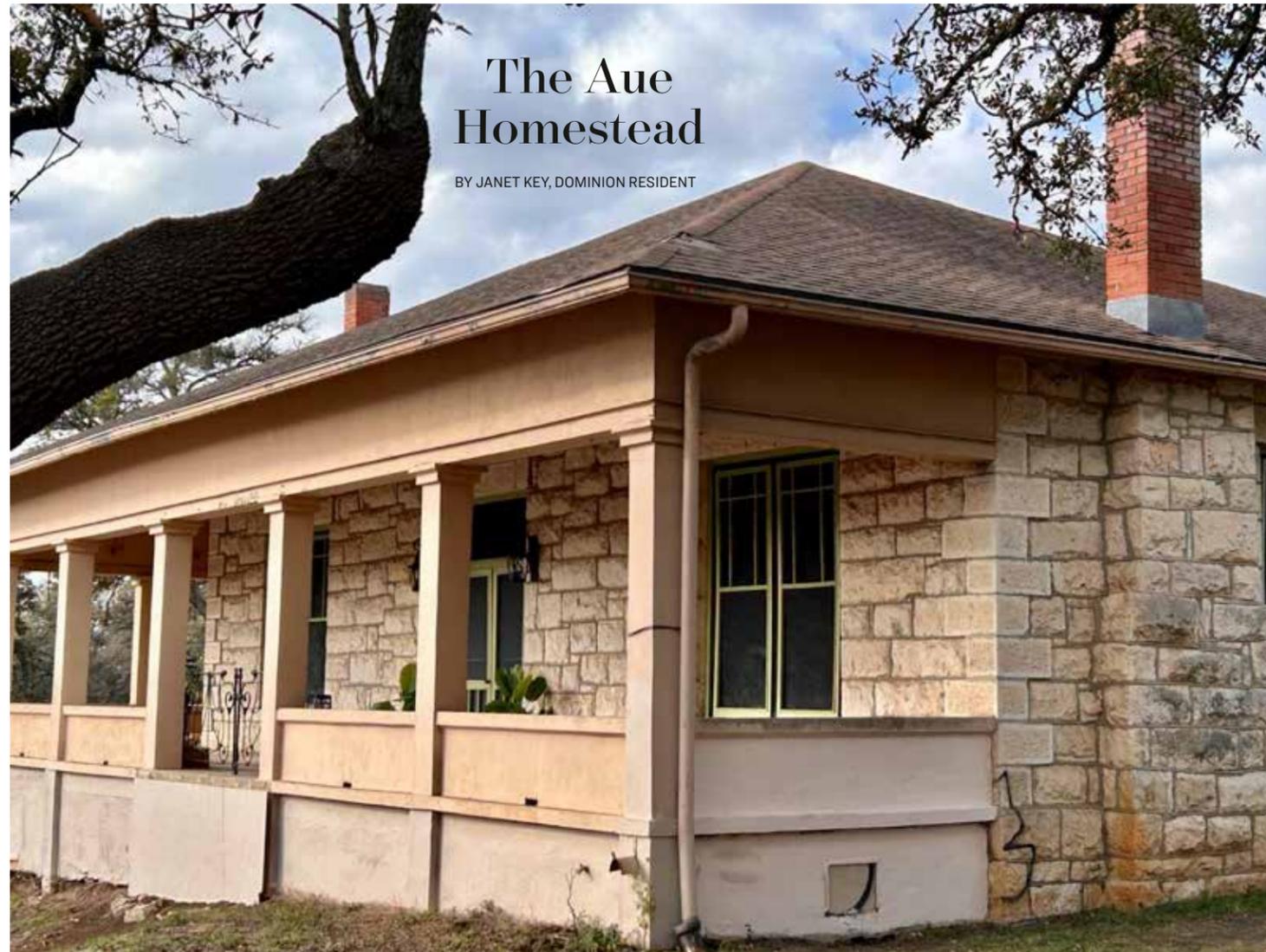
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The Aue Homestead

BY JANET KEY, DOMINION RESIDENT

Most of us are familiar with a number of famous people that have lived on the Dominion property and called it home. From country singing stars to hall of fame basketball players, you never know who you might run into at the local HEB.

Years before there were a number of notables that lived on the Dominion land. Anson Jones was one of the first owners. He was the first president of the Republic of Texas and was given a large grant in this area because of the part that he played in the Independence of Texas. His neighbor was John W. Smith, the last messenger to carry a dispatch during the siege of the Alamo. The grant that he was given encompassed what we now refer to as Camp Bullis. John later sold a large portion of his property to a German

nobleman named John O. Meusebach who was successful in settling a number of his countrymen in this area.

Before I write about the German immigrants I want to mention the Luchese family of cowboy boot fame. They occupied the area on the south end of The Dominion now called Luchese Village. Later this area was occupied by Tom Slick of the Moorman/Slick cattle company and the founder of the Southwest Research Center. There have been many books written about Tom and his eccentric lifestyle. He died at the early age of 46 in a plane crash while he was on an expedition to find the abominable snowman.

Now back to the German settlers. Several lived on the property but probably the most recognized names would be the Topperweins and the Aues. They both



still have homesteads on the property. Max Aue and the Topperweins came to America on the same ship. Max was 21 and came with a cow, which he milked so the children on the boat could have fresh dairy everyday. Lucian Ferdinand Topperwein came with his brother Adolph and his 11 yr old daughter named Emma Marie. You probably recognize Adolph's name because he traveled with the Wild Bill Hickok vaudeville show as an expert marksman. He and his wife Pinky were called the Fabulous Topperweins and still hold records in the Guinness Book of World Records. Ad's record was 19,999 out of 20,000 hits that he made on hand thrown wooden blocks. Pinky would shoot cigarettes out of Ad's mouth and buttons off his vest. (now there's a trusting husband) together they performed for 40 yrs and now are in the Texas Sports Hall of Fame.

The group landed in Indianola in 1849. but left before a hurricane destroyed the town in 1875. They all headed toward New Braunfels and Fredericksburg, the area that John Meusebach was settling in, because he'd been able to make a treaty with the Indians. It took Max 3 years before he arrived in Leon Springs due to the fact that he did 3 tours with the Texas Rangers. When he got here he was awarded a section of land (640 acre) out of the John W. Smith grant for his services. In 1857 Max married Emma Topperwein. Her family lived in a homestead nearby (hole number 15 on The Dominion Golf course.) Her father, Lucian is buried in the Topperwein family cemetery there.

Emma and Max established the general store in Leon Springs and the stagecoach stop and horse changing station. It was located where the Settlement Inn used to be across from the Grill parking lot. Leon Springs was approximately 1 day's ride from San Antonio. The family lived in the attic loft above the store. As the family grew, Aue added a one and half story saltbox limestone rubble house with a cellar. Then in 1878 Aue added a 2 story limestone hotel at the cost of \$2,850 American silver. The railroad had come to town and had a station in Leon Springs called the Aue Station located where the Dominion Grand apartments are today.

By now Max had 4 children Rudy, Agnes, Clare and Herman. He also had amassed 20,000 acres in the area because he could buy land for 25 cents an acre. He was also the postmaster for Leon springs...a very successful man so he decided to build the large hand cut stone house on the



north end of The Dominion. It was referred to as the Aue Castle or Citadel.

The Canary Islander stone masons did the stone work and according to the Preservation Society it is one of the finest examples of their work. The house was completed in 1887. Off and on different members of the Aue family have lived in the house.

The Aue Castle is located on the north end of the Dominion Property near the Guard station. The property was purchased by the Dominion and added to it in 1985. Most of you have probably seen the large stone house if you use the north gate. It was occupied by a member of the Aue family until around 1995. The home was last occupied by Lucille Aue, daughter of Rudy Aue, the owner of 5 saloon establishments in Leon Springs. What a party town! Rudy was one of Max's sons.

The home is a seven room 2300 sf house with porches on two sides. Finished in 1887. Later electricity, plumbing and heat were added. There are 2 fireplaces in the home along with thick stone walls. It has double hung windows and bead board ceilings 12' high. The floors are longleaf pine with 10" wide baseboards and plenty of old woodwork and trim. The porches are 10' wide and allow you plenty of room to enjoy sunsets and breezes. The home is located on Cliff Line, The Dominion Parade of Luxury Homes street. The home is eligible for a historical designation with tax benefits for it's restoration.

For more information on this home contact Janet Key 210-240-2346



Janet Key graduated from the University of Houston with a BS ed and taught art at South San high school. She became a licensed realtor in 1983 and began working at the Dominion. She was the #1 Re/max agent in the state of Texas in '90 and '91. In the late 80's and early 90's, she was the primary listing agent for the FDIC, RTC, and NCUA. She was recognized by the then Governor Ann Richards for her contribution to help jump start the real estate recovery for the State of Texas. She has logged over 3200 sales in her career with approximately 1800 being in The Dominion one of my most significant sales was the 72 acres in the Dominion known as the Cottage Estates and Adagio. She has been active in the community as past chairman of the Hoa (1986-87), President of the Dominion Women's Forum (2013), D

YOU GOTTA HAVE FAITH!

And the Walls Came Tumbling Down

BY STEPHANIE MCFARLIN, STROLL THE DOMINION CONTRIBUTOR

A cloud of dust surged up in a great plume, engulfing the army of men. They coughed and dove their faces into their arms, completely obscured from each others' view, the hot sun now clouded by a thick reddish haze.

Just moments before the sun was beaming down on them intensely, burning into their shoulders and bringing sweat to their brows. Tiny crystals in the stone walls had caught the light, sparkling and blinding them as they'd marched.

And marched. And marched. Seven times that day they'd marched around those sandy walls. The fortress seemed insurmountable, and even more discouraging were the jeers lobbed down from the tops of those walls.

But still the Israelites had marched, around and around Jericho, in obedience to their God. It was faith that drove them. Claiming His promise with each step, every footfall punctuating their belief in Him. It was a march of prayers.

For six days prior, they had marched once a day around the city. Grumbles were thick in the air when Joshua had announced the command. But they'd obeyed, even though they hadn't understood. That's usually what faith looks like: trusting even when understanding is lacking. Faith is what they were building with every lap around Jericho. And as their faith grew stronger, those city walls grew weaker.

I wonder what it would have been like if they had just sat in their tents, looking at Jericho, passively consoling themselves, Que sera sera. God will take care of it. We'll just hang out here and mind our own business while we wait. It might have felt like they were trusting God...but would it have really been faith? Or does faith look like something more?

I think it looks like something more. Call to Me, and I will answer you, God tells us in the Old Testament. Ask and it will be given to you, He affirms in the New Testament. With story after story, Jesus teaches us to persist in coming to God with our needs. Don't give up...Keep asking...is His message over and over again.

Sitting idly by, absently expecting God to fix everything without us ever actually reaching out to Him is not what He wants from us. It's not what He made us for. Why? Because

He made us for relationship...and relationship requires communication, connection, and coming close.

So, what's your Jericho? We all have one, in some shape or size. Is it a sickness? A broken relationship? A wayward child? A financial crisis? What is it that feels too broken, too big, too scary?

It can be tempting to lay our Jericho down after praying a couple times, then never pick it up again in prayer, yet still feel like we're trusting. Let's not fall into that trap of flaccid faith. Let's instead ask the God of the universe to do something about it. And let's keep bringing it to Him, expecting Him to help us because we know He is faithful. We know He is powerful. We know He is good, and true to His promises. And I can't help but think of how it must honor and bring joy to His heart for us to live and pray like we actually believe all those things about Him! I am certain that's how He wants us to live, with the confidence of knowing the King is attentive to our cries. He might have His own way, His own timing, His own strange sequence of city laps, but His method we can trust! And, according to everything we see in Scripture, to not call on Him, to not pray...is to not obey. And it might just mean that we miss seeing those Jericho walls ever come down.

God is still asking us to march around our Jerichos. He's asking us to march in faith, with our prayers as our footsteps. This is faith in action. Calling on His name to do what only He can do. Stepping out of our tent to put our dependence on Him.

So don't give up on your Jericho. Call on the name of the God who holds the power to crush cities. He delights to hear the sound of your voice.



Stephanie is mama of two and a fervent follower of Jesus, Who has taken her emptiness and given her life to the full! She is always amazed that God wants to be near her, and is constantly re-learning that His grace covers everything, even the dog hair on her clothes and the dishes in her sink.



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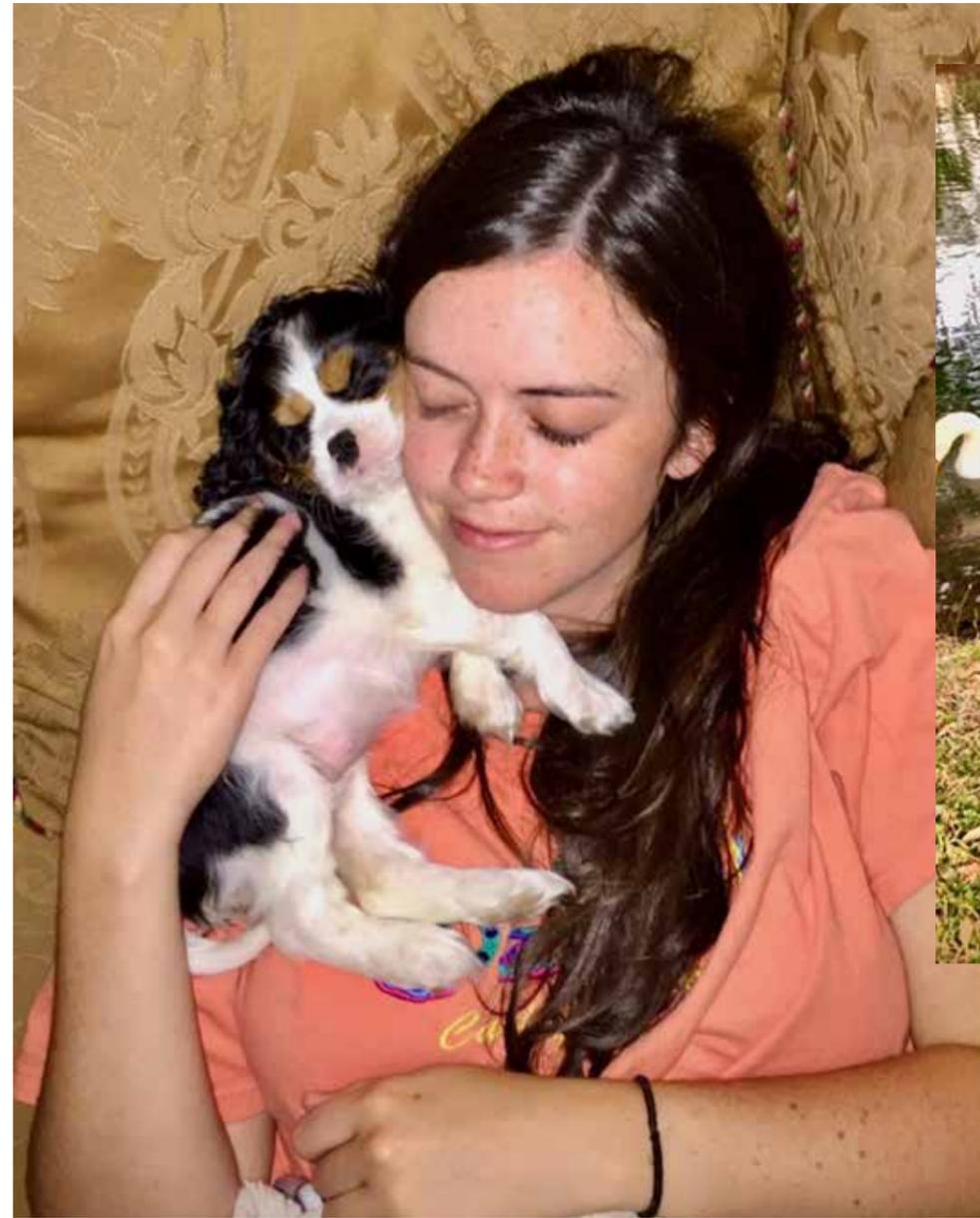
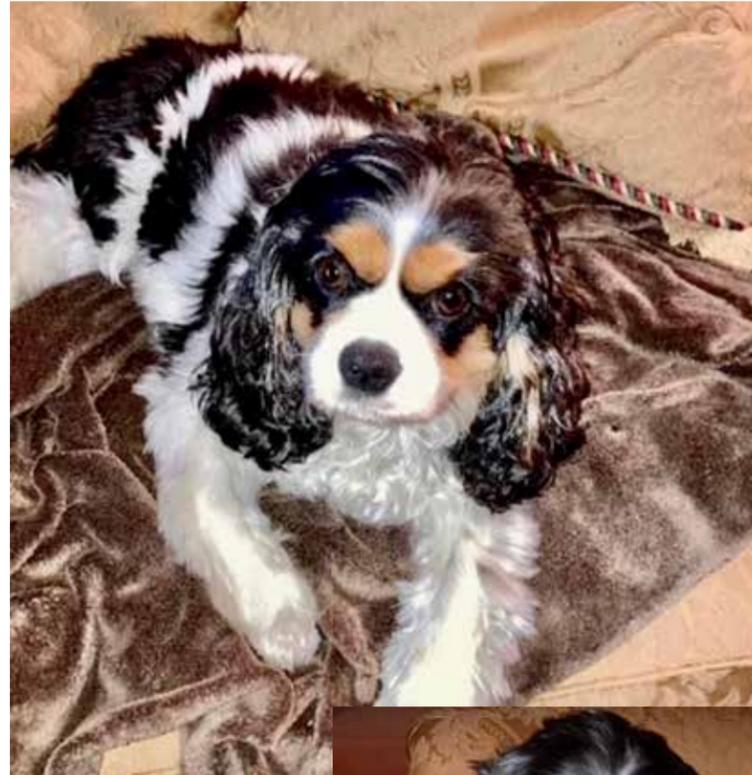


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Any funny stories?
Lilly follows me everywhere I go inside the house! Outside, she is an escape artist! My Dominion friend and neighbor calls her "The Runaway Bride". The best Amazon purchase has been a dog collar with her name and my phone number on it so when she goes to visit her Dominion neighbors, they can call me!

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Military Maxims

Sublime wisdom

BY DAN JOHNSTON, DOMINION RESIDENT



As the break from monthly History Club meetings continues during the club renovation, here are examples of nuggets of wisdom offered over time by military philosophers.

- Every day is a holiday, every meal is a feast.
- If it is stupid but works, it is not stupid.
- Never share a foxhole with someone braver than you.
- No plan survives the first contact with the enemy.
- If your attack is going really well, it is an enemy ambush.
- The important things are always simple; the simple things are always hard.
- The easy way is always mined by the enemy.
- If you are short of everything except the enemy, you are in combat.
- Friendly fire – is not
- If the enemy is in range, so are you.
- If it ain't raining, it ain't training.
- It is generally inadvisable to eject from your airplane over the area that you just bombed.

- Whoever said the pen is mightier than the sword obviously never encountered automatic weapons.
- Never tell the platoon sergeant that you have nothing to do.
- If you see a bomb technician running, try to keep up with him.
- When one engine fails on a twin-engine aircraft, you always have enough power left to get you to the scene of the crash that is about to happen.
- A lack of prior planning on your part does not make this situation an emergency on my part.
- Try to look unimportant on the battlefield; the enemy might think you are low on ammunition.
- Soldiers always gripe; if they do not, something is wrong.
- Soldiers do not face enemy machineguns because they have been treated with kindness in training.
- The enemy is on our left, they are on our right, they are in front of us, and they are behind us; they will not get away from us this time.



- Do not draw fire; it irritates those around you.
- Pain is just weakness leaving the body.
- When the pin is pulled, Mr. Grenade is not your friend.
- Do not ever be the last, do not ever be the first, and never volunteer for anything.
- Five-second fuses last only three seconds.
- If it moves, salute it; if it does not move, lift it; and if it cannot be lifted, paint it.
- There is the right way, the wrong way, and the Army way.
- If the Army wanted you to have a wife, it would have issued you one.
- We are surrounded; that simplifies the problem.
- Every time you puke, you reach the next level of fitness.
- Life is hard; it is harder when you are stupid.

- Leadership is getting people to do things that they do not want to do and like it.
- You know it is a military day when “relax” is a distant dream and “toughen up” is the motto of the day.
- In the military humor is not a perk, it is a survival skill.
- Every obstacle presents an opportunity to excel.
- Never interrupt your enemy when that enemy is making a mistake.
- Soldiers are the willing, led by the unknowing, doing the impossible for the ungrateful. They have now done so much for so long with so little that they are now capable of doing anything with nothing.

We look forward to the resumption of History Club meetings, where history is fun.



Colonel Dan Johnston was a career Army officer of 25 years service and a combat veteran of the Vietnam War. Following retirement from the service, he taught World History to high school sophomores for 15 years. He and his wife of over 50 years, Pam, are blessed with four children and ten grandchildren.

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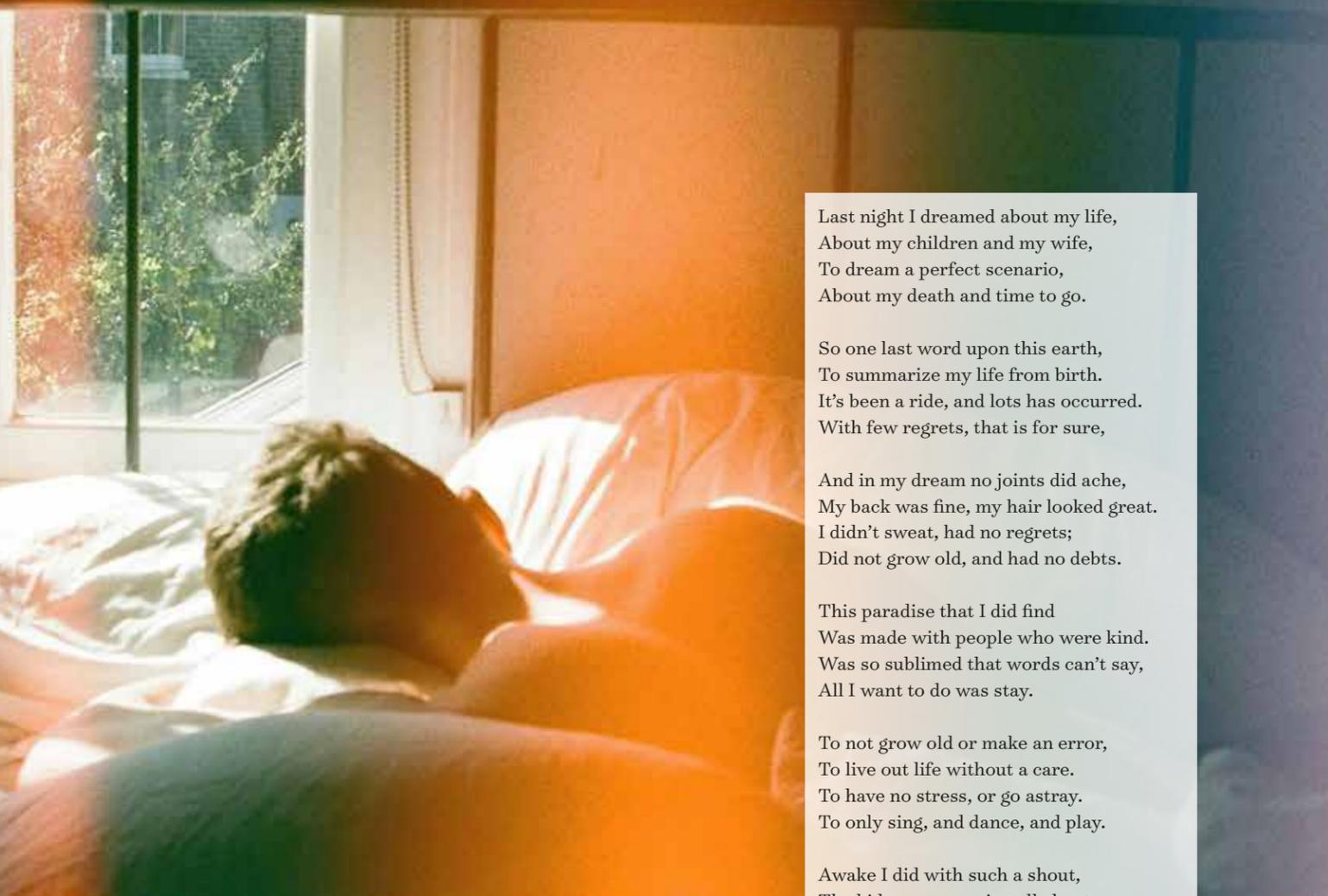
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 About my children and my wife,
 To dream a perfect scenario,
 About my death and time to go.

So one last word upon this earth,
 To summarize my life from birth.
 It's been a ride, and lots has occurred.
 With few regrets, that is for sure,

And in my dream no joints did ache,
 My back was fine, my hair looked great.
 I didn't sweat, had no regrets;
 Did not grow old, and had no debts.

This paradise that I did find
 Was made with people who were kind.
 Was so sublimed that words can't say,
 All I want to do was stay.

To not grow old or make an error,
 To live out life without a care.
 To have no stress, or go astray.
 To only sing, and dance, and play.

Awake I did with such a shout,
 The kids were running all about,
 My wife was flustered in the noise
 As she stepped over all the toys.

Breakfast is burnt the coffee's cold,
 The deafening noise made me feel old.
 Where is that dream of life beyond,
 It's no big deal when I am gone.

*By Jacks Blue, a well-known, well-liked,
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Down The Middle

How to score better through proper golf course management



When you are putting together your game plan for a given round, look for the most conservative path first. Once you have figured out the safest clubs to hit on each hole, and the safest targets to pick, then you can mix in a few more aggressive decisions if the opportunity presents itself.

When in doubt, always opt for the safer shot – your score at the end of the round will thank you.

THINK TWO SHOTS AHEAD

Often it can be our tendency to try to cover as much ground as possible with every single shot. The problem with this strategy is that it can lead to taking a number of undue risks. In general, this type of action usually stems from only planning one shot at a time instead of creating a more well-thought-out strategy.

For example, think of a time when you've been faced with a long second shot on a par five. Perhaps your ball has landed just off the fairway and is sitting in a challenging lie in the short rough. Ahead of you is 270 yards to the green (a distance you can't reach even with your best 3-wood swing). Chances are you've been in this position before and you've grabbed the 3-wood out of the bag thinking you might as well smash it as far as you can and try to

get close enough for a short pitch shot. The problem with this decision is that you are introducing a lot of unneeded risk into your game. Hitting a 3-wood out of the rough is a difficult shot, and the low loft increases your chances of not getting the ball in the air, as well as generating quite a bit of sidespin. All this leads to an increased chance of an errant shot that can require quite a bit of work to just save par.

Now let's try a different method instead. Faced with the same shot try thinking through the hole backward by trying to envision what shot you would feel comfortable playing next. In this case, perhaps you know that you could easily hit the green from a fairway lie at about 125 yards out. Given that you are currently 270 yards from the green, all you need to do to set up that next shot is move the ball another 145 yards! This is something which can be done fairly easily with a high lofted iron (a club that's far easier to hit from the rough than a 3-wood).

Can you see how this approach is a much easier way of managing the course? Sure it might not be as glamorous as hitting that long 3-wood but it certainly makes for an easier par than having to scramble back if you didn't hit that first shot perfectly!

What if you could get significantly better without making any changes at all to your swing? Obviously, that is something that every golfer would be very interested in.

That "other way" does exist, and it is commonly known as golf course management. That is the name given to making smart decisions as you work your way around the course, whether it is picking the right club for a certain shot, or picking a safe target line to keep your ball out of harm's way.

Between two golfers of equal physical skills, the player with superior course management skills will almost always be the one to prevail. Last month we talked about doing what you do best on the course and playing to your strengths. This month we will talk about strategy.

BUILD A CONSERVATIVE PLAN

Many golfers choose to use a more-aggressive golf course management strategy simply because it sounds like more fun. After all, who doesn't want to try for all of the par-five greens in two shots, or try to drive the green on a short par four? Aggressive shots might be exciting, but they are rarely the smart play. If you are like most amateur golfers, you don't possess the consistency in your ball striking to take on challenging shots hole after hole and escape without doing some major damage to your scorecard.

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