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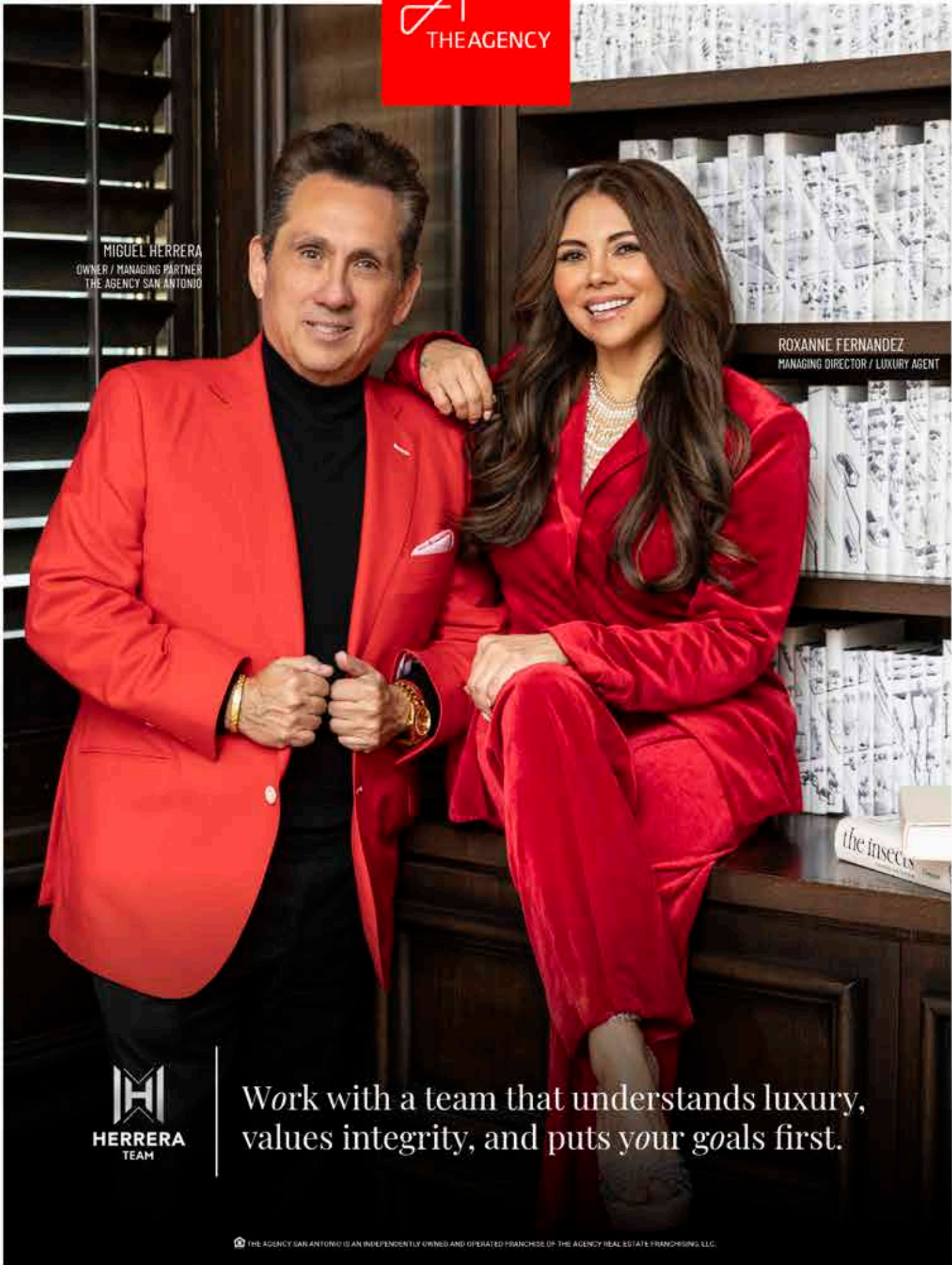
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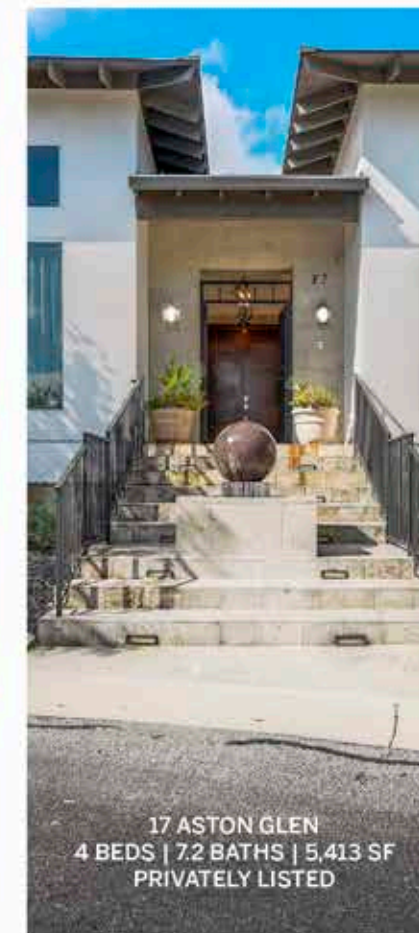
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In many ways, *Stroll Dominion* is like Facebook on paper. It's a place where neighbors connect, stories are shared, and the pulse of the community comes to life in a tangible, timeless way. While social media gives us instant updates, our magazine captures the heart of The Dominion—celebrating its residents, showcasing stunning homes, and capturing the moments that matter most in a way that you can hold in your hands.

Think of it as a social feed, but better. Instead of scrolling through fleeting posts, you get a thoughtfully crafted collection of stories that highlight the extraordinary people and places that make The Dominion special. Each issue is designed to inform, inspire, and connect our residents.

But unlike a digital newsfeed that disappears with the next update, our magazine is a keepsake—something you can flip through, revisit, and share with friends and neighbors. It's a testament to the people, properties, and stories that make The Dominion San Antonio's Premier Community.

So, whether you're a longtime resident or new to the neighborhood, *Stroll Dominion* is here to bring the community

together—just like social media, but with more depth, more beauty, and a lasting impression. Enjoy this edition, and as always, we welcome your stories, ideas, and contributions. After all, this magazine is about you, your neighbors, and the remarkable community we call home.



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The Linares-Gyani Family

It began in a small town in Coro, Venezuela, where vibrant culture, strong family values, and a deep sense of identity shaped the early life of Paola Estefania. Long before her designs would grace international publications and runways, she was a young girl captivated by beauty—watching pageants, collecting fashion magazines, and carefully choosing her outfits with intention and creativity.

At just 11 years old, Paola's journey took her from Venezuela to Florida, opening the

door to new opportunities and experiences. Years later, she moved to Los Angeles, initially pursuing a career in interior and architectural design. But it was there, amid creativity and reinvention, that she discovered a deeper calling. Fashion—once a quiet passion—became her purpose.

What began with sourcing fabrics, collaborating with pattern makers, and building a team from the ground up has since evolved into a globally recognized haute couture brand. Today, Paola designs

one-of-a-kind custom pieces and bridal gowns for clients around the world, with her work featured in publications such as *Vogue Ukraine*, *Harper's Bazaar*, *Forbes*, and *Sports Illustrated*. Each piece is a reflection of her belief that every detail matters—crafted with intention, individuality, and artistry.

While her career continues to flourish, Paola's most meaningful role is at home with her two daughters, Sofia (7) and Isabella (4). Together, they embrace a rich and beautiful blend of cultures—Venezuelan and Punjabi—celebrating traditions like Diwali while creating their own family moments through travel, tennis, art, and everyday life.

Whether it's collecting seashells on the beach, dancing to music at home, or attending events at the Dominion Country Club, their days are filled with connection and joy.

The family's move to San Antonio was rooted in connection—drawn by the opportunity to be closer to family and to settle into a community that offered both safety and a strong sense of belonging. Since arriving, they've embraced life in

the Dominion, enjoying its family-friendly atmosphere and the traditions that bring neighbors together throughout the year.

Balancing motherhood with running a global fashion brand is no small task, but Paola approaches it with discipline, passion, and perspective. With a full schedule that includes travel, design, and business leadership, she remains grounded in what matters most—her family—while continuing to grow a brand that celebrates inclusivity, empowerment, and individuality.

That same passion for empowering others extends beyond fashion through her nonprofit, **Your Guardian Angel Foundation**. In partnership with CRIT Telethon USA, the organization supports children with disabilities and uplifts women who have faced unimaginable challenges. Through this work, Paola has created a platform that not only gives back, but inspires women to pursue their dreams and reclaim their strength.

A highlight of this mission is the annual **Mother & Women Awards**, a charity event dedicated to honoring these

remarkable women. This year's event will take place on May 1st, bringing the community together for an afternoon of celebration, recognition, and purpose. It is a meaningful reflection of Paola's commitment to using her platform to create impact and foster connection.

Through every chapter of her journey—from Venezuela to Los Angeles to the Dominion—Paola Estefania has built a life rooted in creativity, culture, and compassion. Whether designing couture gowns, raising her daughters, or leading philanthropic efforts, she continues to embody what it means to live with intention and inspire others along the way.

And in a community that values both heart and ambition, her story feels right at home.



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Support your child by thinking through these choices together.

1. Health insurance. Whether your child joins their employer's plan or stays on yours until age 26 should be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Consider network coverage in their new city, the cost of their own plan versus remaining on yours, and whether keeping them on your policy may reduce your family's overall premiums.
2. Life and supplemental coverage. Most employers offer group life insurance at rates lower than individual policies. Accident and/or disability coverage may also be worth considering, especially



for young adults with active lifestyles. Securing coverage while young and healthy may help lock in favorable rates they can carry between jobs.

3. Retirement accounts. At minimum, encourage your child to contribute enough to capture the full employer match — anything less is leaving compensation on the table. If you've established investment accounts for your children, work with your family advisor to transition or consolidate those accounts as your child enters adulthood. Building a financial life outside the office. Beyond workplace benefits, there are other foundational decisions your child will need to navigate, and a little parental guidance can help ease the transition.

4. Auto and renters insurance. These are often the first policies your child will manage independently, and navigating coverage options may feel overwhelming. A trusted advisor can help them find the right coverage without overpaying. Some families take a gradual approach, allowing their child to remain on the family policy initially before moving fully to their coverage.

5. Credit, banking and budgeting basics. Encourage your child to set up their own bank accounts and manage their credit responsibly. Building a strong financial credit history in their early adulthood can influence insurance rates, rental approvals and loan terms for years to come.

A financial literacy workshop or conversation with your wealth advisor can give them direction that feels less like parental interference. The goal isn't to hand off everything at once — it's to build confidence gradually. Contact Tom Marconi at Tmarconi@frostinsurance.com or 210.220.6414 to help your family navigate this transition together.

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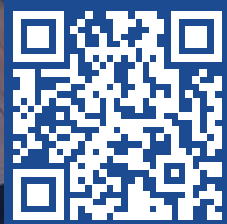




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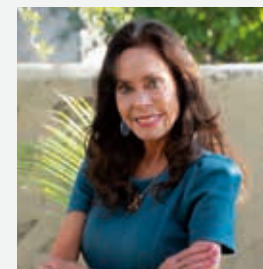
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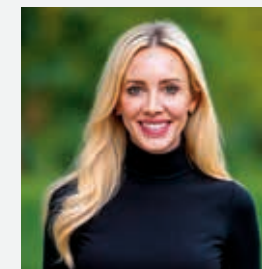
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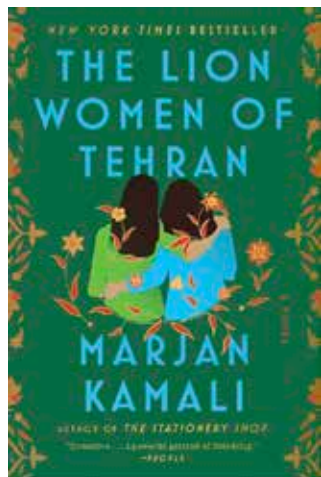
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The Lion Women of Tehran

BY MARJAN KAMALI, REVIEWED BY MARLENE NESLUND,
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This third novel by Marjan Kamali is an engrossing tale of the lives and enduring friendship of two Iranian women. Their story, told in five parts, begins in 1950.

In Part One, Ellie and her mother are forced to move from their large home to a small dwelling in the “bottom of the city” after Ellie’s father dies of tuberculosis just after her seventh birthday. Ellie meets Homa in first grade. “Her grin showed two missing teeth.

Her hair was black, curly, and messy. There was mischief in her eyes.” The two become fast friends, and Homa introduces Ellie to her family, where there is love and laughter—something Ellie envies and wishes she had in her own home. Their friendship is interrupted when Ellie’s mother marries Uncle Marsoud, and they return to a higher social sphere.

Ellie and Homa reunite in high school, and their friendship develops after a rocky start. “Puberty had helped Ellie to change from the chubby, somewhat plain child into a new, pretty girl who attracted glances.”

In Part Two, it is 1960, and Ellie meets Mehrdad, a boy with thick, wavy hair who carries himself with ease and confidence. Their relationship develops into a loving but childless marriage. As time goes on, Homa becomes increasingly involved in political movements promoting women’s rights. She is eventually imprisoned, and her life changes dramatically.

Parts Three and Four shift the narrative to Homa. Her life in prison, her pregnancy, and her marriage to Adul are told in her own words. It is 1963, and her life is vastly different from Ellie’s. Ellie moves to New York City, where Mehrdad has a research project. “It is now 1977, and in the streets of Tehran, unrest and dissatisfaction with the Shah were intensifying into an increasingly frequent cycle of demonstrations, protests, and

crackdowns.” Within a few years, bombs fall relentlessly on Tehran. Homa becomes a widow and must seek safety for her daughter, Bahar. Bahar is sent to New York City, where she begins a new life with Ellie and Mehrdad.

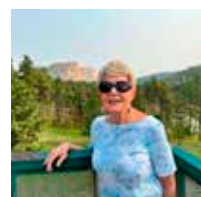
Part Five centers on this new life for these Iranians living as expats in the United States. The novel ends in 2022 at a family gathering in Ellie’s café, where there is a sense of togetherness filled with love.

This epic tale of friendship, mistakes, and redemption is laced with insight into Iranian culture. Superstitions like the “evil eye” are rebuffed by the younger, educated generation. The concept of tarof—a dance of social interaction where the guest adopts a demeanor of self-deprecation and modesty—must be set aside in the United States. The many descriptions of food bring the reader into the culinary delights of not only Iranian cuisine but also New York pizza.

In the Author’s Notes, Kamali states, “I am neither a scholar nor a historian, and I do not pretend to have written a book about the entire history of the women’s movement in Iran... With my pen I hope to show you the joys and losses, the love and hopes, the dreams and worries of two girls from Iran... I hope you enjoy their tale and you sense that all hearts are one.”

This novel covers over half a century of Iranian history. As this review is written, the United States is at war with Iran. Hopefully, by the time this is published, there will be peace.

Marjan Kamali was born in Turkey to Iranian parents. She spent her childhood in Turkey, Iran, Germany, Kenya, and the United States. She is a New York Times bestselling author and a 2022 recipient of the National Endowment for the Arts Creative Writing Fellowship. Her essays have appeared in *The Wall Street Journal*, *Literary Hub*, and the *Los Angeles Review of Books*. She lives near Boston with her husband and two children.



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 60 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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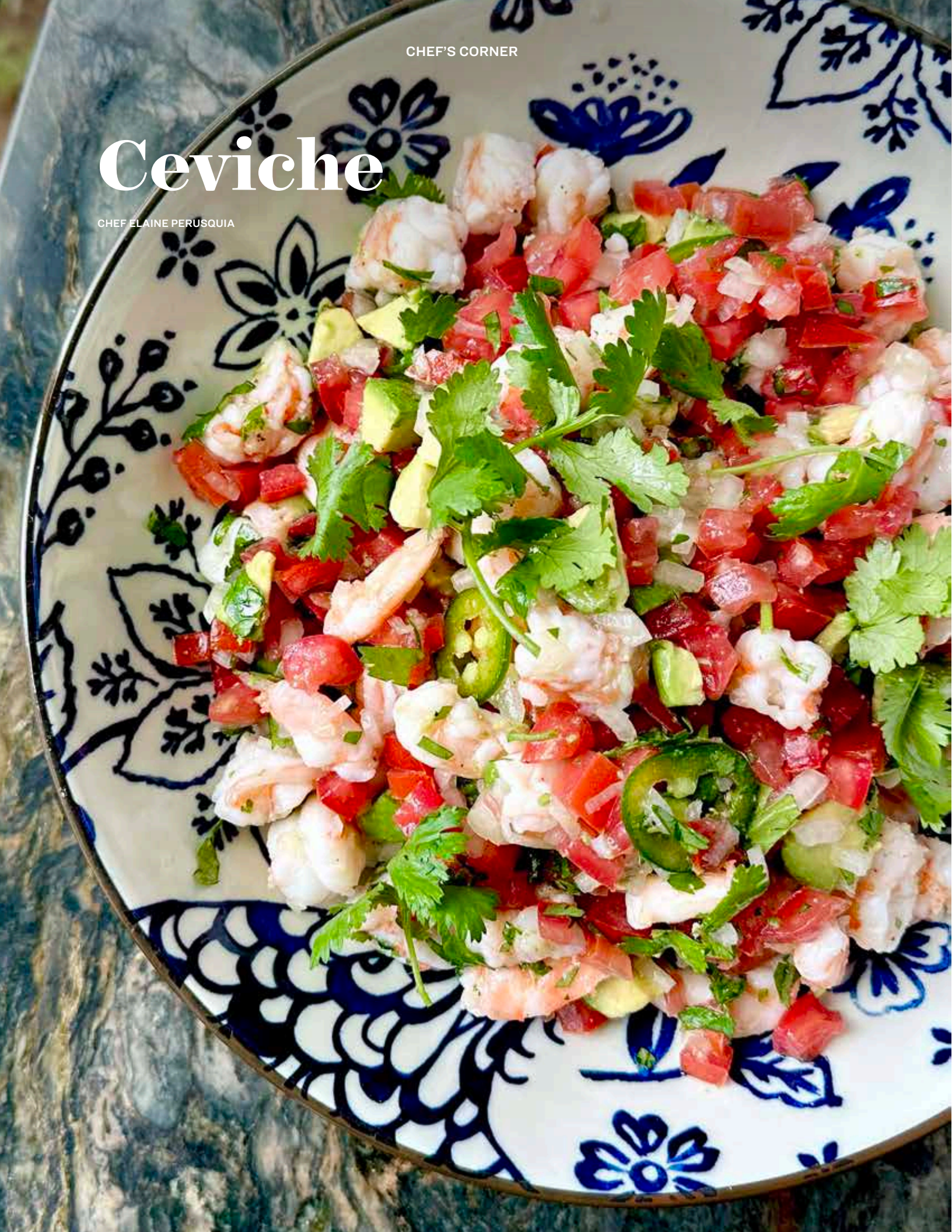


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Ceviche

CHEF ELAINE PERUSQUIA



When the weather warms up, my all-time favorite dish has to be ceviche. Whether I'm catering a party, attending a potluck, or just want something fresh that showcases the best of spring and summer, ceviche checks all the boxes. If you find the ketchup-laden wannabes in some restaurants to be sweet and unimaginative, you're in the right place, amigos. Let's dive into what makes this amazing Latin American dish iconic.

Peruvians are credited with first marinating fresh fish in lime juice, and the technique spread through coastal regions of Latin America, most notably to Mexico. Peruvian ceviche is often only marinated for a few minutes, resulting in what I would call more of a crudo. The flavors are clean and bright, and the fresh fish truly shines. The citrus used to marinate the fish, known as *leche de tigre*, is often served as a shot alongside the dish. Mexican ceviche, by comparison, is marinated for longer and typically contains more ingredients. Fish or shrimp become fully "cooked" by the citrus acid, and varied additions such as tomatoes, cilantro, onions, chiles, avocados, and even olives are common in some regions.

Fresh is the only choice when choosing seafood for ceviche. Whether you prefer fish or shrimp, it must be fresh (as in preferably still alive the day before). The freshest seafood should smell salty, like the ocean, with no fishy odor whatsoever. Fish and shrimp should be plump and should spring back when touched. Ask to smell whatever you are buying. If you are not allowed to give seafood the smell test, move on. Smelly ceviche is just not ok, folks.

Seafood used in ceviche is largely a matter of preference, but firm, white fish (mahi-mahi, red snapper, seabass, or red drum are all excellent choices) or shrimp are my go-to's. Fatty fishes like salmon aren't a good match for prolonged exposure to citrus, and while I love raw ahi tuna, citrus acid will turn the flesh gray. Gray tuna looks rather unappetizing, so I stick to the white fishes and remove any skin and bloodline before marinating. I often use shrimp, and I like to briefly par-cook it before its lime juice soak. This improves the texture of the shrimp, as it often does not cook all the way in lime juice alone.

One of the things I love most about ceviche is its versatility. I usually opt for a Mexican-style preparation, because I find the longer marinating time and additional ingredients add incredible flavor and variety. I once had a mahi-mahi and mango ceviche at a party that changed my life. It completely shifted how I thought about this dish. Baby cucumber, sweet bell pepper, different chiles, and tropical fruits can all exist harmoniously, adding flavor, texture, and color. I encourage you to make ceviche your own. The recipe I typically make is close to a Veracruz-style, but I switch it up from time to time.

When talking ceviche, we need to address the elephant in the room: ketchup. Don't do it. Once you

enjoy the authentic preparation (always sans ketchup), you'll get me. Why do most restaurants use ketchup in ceviche? I can't even tell you, but I suspect it's to hide less-than-fresh seafood. Fresh seafood should not be hidden, but boldly celebrated! If you truly love ketchup, I'll look away. But how about giving traditional ceviche a few dashes of your favorite hot sauce right before serving? And what to serve alongside? Freshly made corn tortilla chips and ice-cold Mexican beer, of course. If wine is on the menu, choose a citrus-forward Sauvignon Blanc or a crisp, fruity sparkling wine.

The warm weather is here! While we can cry in our Mexican beers over the cost of utilities during a Texas summer, we always have ceviche. I hope you'll make this dish often, make it your own, make it for friends and family, make it just because. Happy almost-summer, and happy cooking, everyone!

SHRIMP CEVICHE VERACRUZANO

- 1 ½ pounds fresh shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 1 large white onion, diced
- 1 ½ cups freshly squeezed lime juice
- ½ cup freshly squeezed orange juice
- 4-5 Roma tomatoes, seeded and diced
- 2 fresh jalapenos, finely minced or thinly sliced
- 1 bunch fresh cilantro, chopped
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 large Haas avocado, diced
- Kosher salt to taste

In a large bowl, prepare an ice bath. Cut the peeled and deveined shrimp into large bite-sized pieces. Par cook the shrimp in well-salted, rapidly boiling water for about 30 seconds. Immediately transfer shrimp to the ice bath until chilled. Dry the cooled shrimp on paper towels.

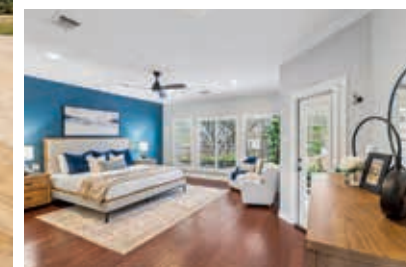
In a large, nonreactive bowl, combine the par cooked shrimp, onion, and citrus juices. Cover and refrigerate for about two hours. Stir the diced tomato into the shrimp and onion mixture and continue to marinate for an additional 1-2 hours. Drain off the liquid, cover, and refrigerate until ready to serve. Just before serving, toss the ceviche with the sliced jalapenos, cilantro, olive oil, and avocado. Salt to taste and serve chilled with tortilla chips. Serves 4-6 as an appetizer.



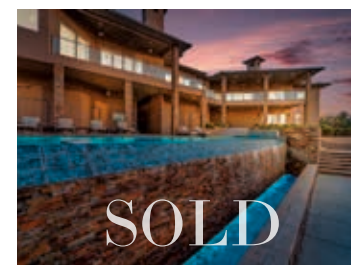
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MEMORIAL DAY Service & Sacrifice

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Day is done, Gone the sun,

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From the sky.
All is well, Safely rest,
God is nigh.

As the eerie notes of TAPS echo over a cemetery wherein lie our fallen heroes, we are obligated to recognize the sacrifice of those in all generations in the history of the United States who have died in war while in service to our country. We choose to formally observe this recognition of sacrifice on a national holiday, Memorial Day, on the last Monday of May each year. Originally called Decoration Day after the Civil War when veterans of that war honored the graves of their fallen comrades with the decoration of flowers, flags, and wreaths, it became Memorial Day as the passing years introduced the tragic need to recognize military servicemembers who fell in wars fought across the globe. The first formal Memorial Day ceremony was inspired by a call in 1868 by General John A. Logan, the commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, an organization for northern Civil War veterans, for a holiday commemorating fallen soldiers to be observed every 30 May. Logan proclaimed, "The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet church yard in the land." In answer to this call, a ceremony was conducted on that date at Arlington National Cemetery. James A. Garfield, a general in the Civil War and congressman in the years before he would become president, delivered a rather lengthy speech to several thousand people, saying in part, "If silence is ever golden, it must be beside the graves of 15,000 men whose lives were more significant than speech and whose death was a poem the music of which can never be sung." It is a common belief that the May date was chosen because by that date in the Spring flowers would be in bloom and available for use in ceremonies in the northern states.

With this ceremony at Arlington the northern states began a practice that had sprung up in some of the southern states at the end of the Civil War. While Waterloo, New York, was for years considered to be the birthplace of Memorial Day, at least eight other sites have laid legitimate claim to that distinction. Waterloo, which first celebrated the day on 5 May 1866, was initially chosen because it hosted an annual, community-wide event, during which businesses closed and residents decorated the graves of soldiers with flowers and flags. In any case, the northern states quickly adopted the holiday so that in 1868 memorial events were held in 183 cemeteries in 27 states, increasing to 336 cemeteries in 1869. For decades, Memorial Day continued to be observed on 30 May, but in 1968 Congress passed the Uniform



Latest History Club meeting, featuring 12 of the 65 attendees present for the 100th lecture since the club's inception in January 2014. Front: Nora and John McDougall, Ginny and Glen Glass. Back: Dan Johnston, Al and Traci Range, Pam Johnston, Jack and Carol Hazel, Joanne and Jeff Leeka.

Monday Holiday Act which established Memorial Day as the last Monday in May in order to create a three-day weekend for federal employees; the change went into effect in 1971. The same law also declared Memorial Day to be a federal holiday. Later legislation in 2000 required the nation to observe a national moment of remembrance at 1500 local time on Memorial Day, although this requirement is seldom observed in the midst of holiday festivities and picnics.

So, Memorial Day, the day to remember those who died for our country in time of war, is considered to be the most sacred of the three holidays that salute military service. The other two are Veterans Day in November which honors the service of all U.S. military veterans and Armed Forces Day in May which specifically recognizes those currently serving in the armed forces. In response to the considerable obligation we owe to the heroic fallen who served sacrificially on our behalf, take a moment from the social hysteria of the day to silently meditate on this service and sincerely honor these men and women with your thoughts and prayers.

And join us for our next History Club meeting on May 14th, 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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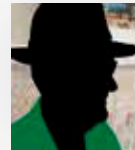
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A strong mind bristles at a lie,
It feels the falseness passing by.
It knows that shadows cannot stand
Against the weight of truth's command.

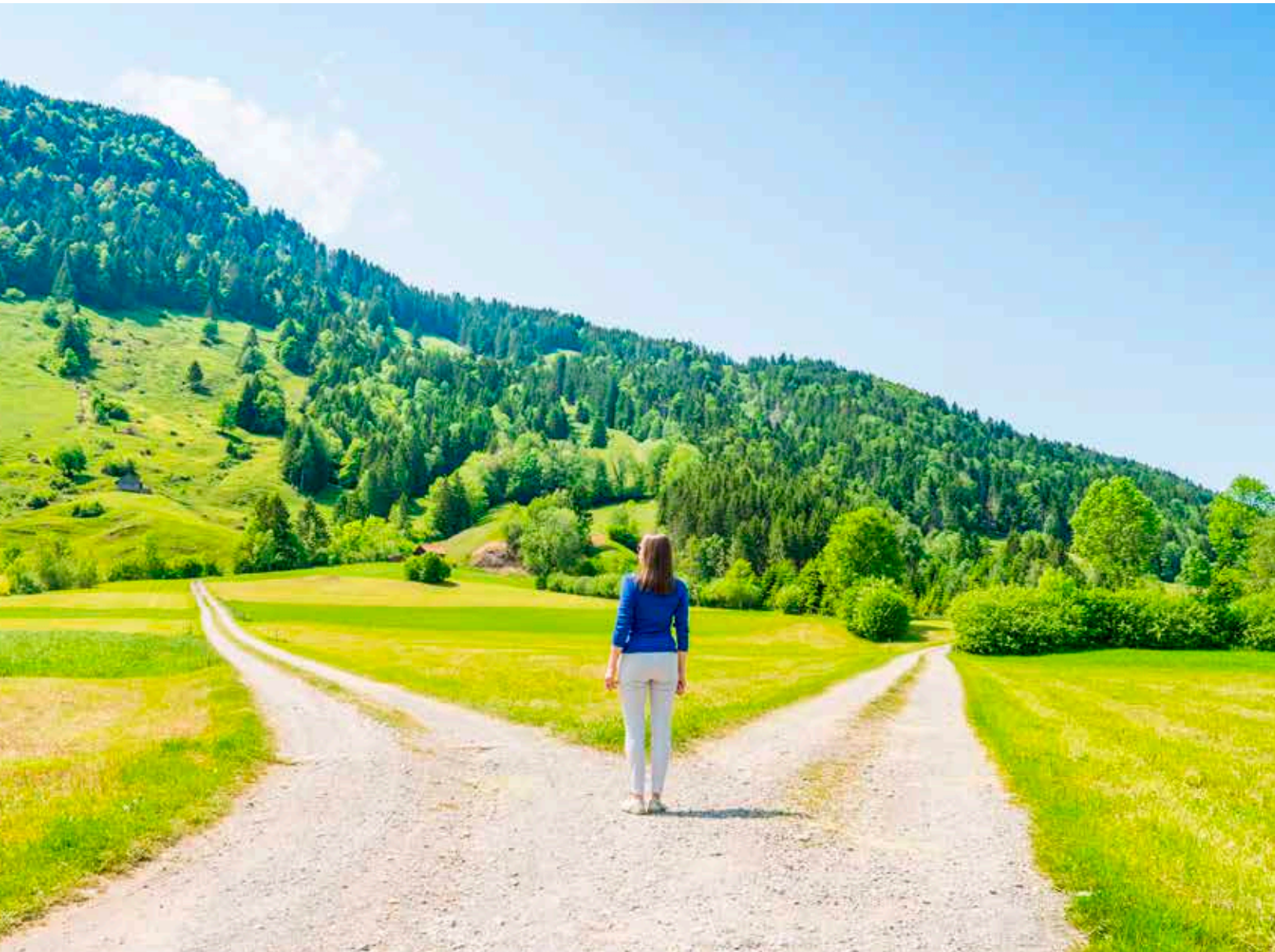
A weak mind trembles at the light,
It fears the truth, though clear and bright.
It turns from mirrors, shuts its eyes,
And finds its comfort dressed in lies.

For strength is not in muscle's might,
But in the courage to face what's right.
The weak may rage when truth is near,
The strong grow wiser year by year.

So test your heart in what you hear:
Does truth bring growth, or does it sear?
A lie may flatter, soothe, and please,
But truth alone can set minds free.

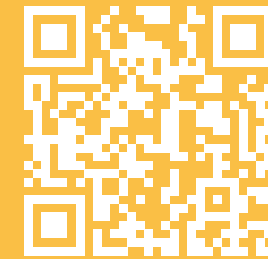


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Many players attempt to “help” the ball into the air by leaning back, placing their weight on the trail (right) side, and positioning their hands behind the ball in an effort to scoop it. This approach is extremely difficult to execute consistently and rarely produces good results.

Instead, focus on a more reliable setup. Position your weight on your lead (front) side, with your head centered over the ball. Play the ball slightly back in your stance to promote a slightly descending strike. Remember from basic physics: every action

has an equal and opposite reaction. When you strike down on the ball, it will naturally pop up into the air.

Many players avoid a descending strike because they worry the ball will travel too far. However, distance is controlled by the length of your swing—how far you take the club back and through—not by trying to lift the ball.

Also, notice the angle in the trailing wrist. I encourage my students to maintain that angle as long as possible and let the club do the work. A controlled, descending strike is key to consistent, effective chipping.

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Photo 1: Incorrect Technique



Photo 2: Correct Technique

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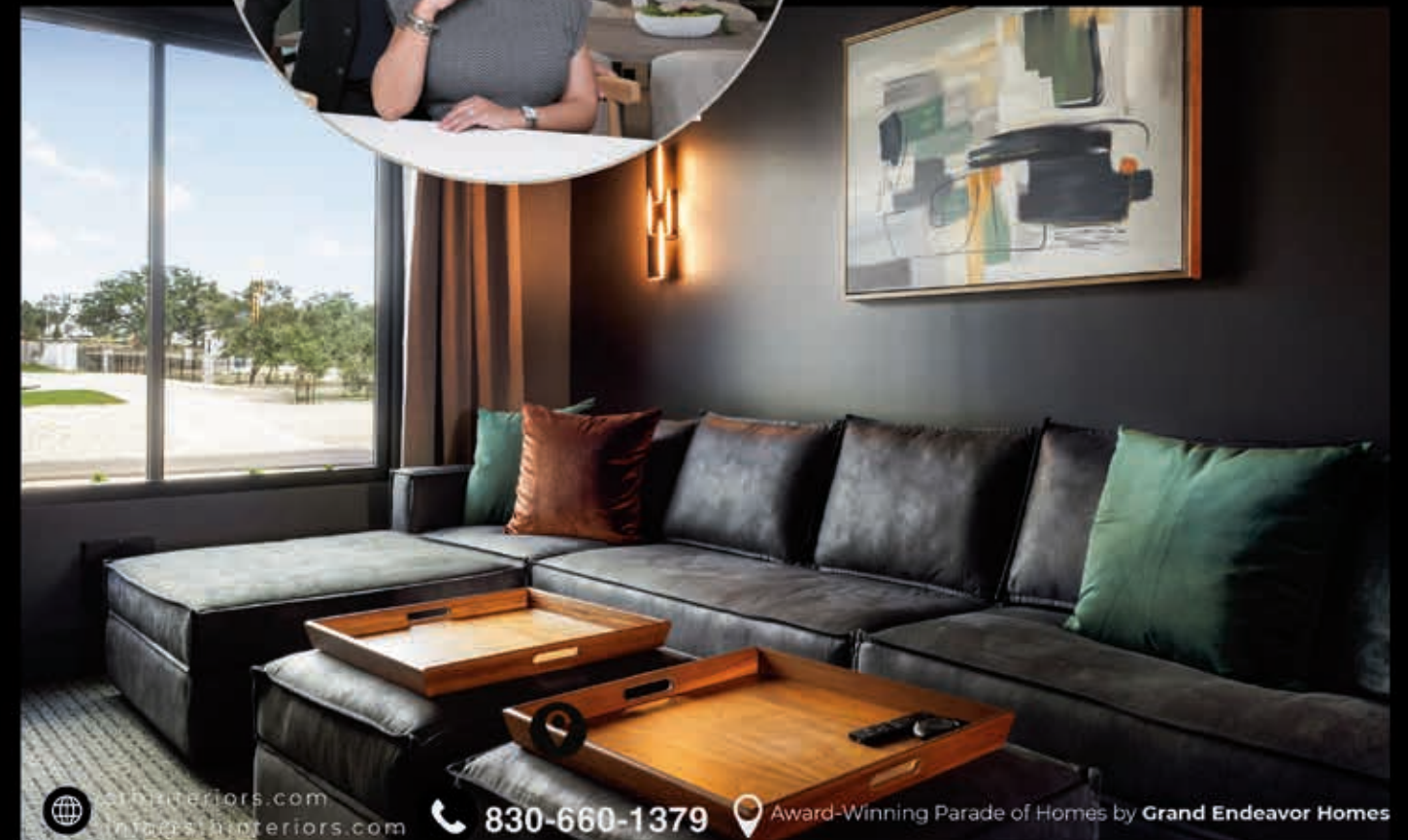
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Swinging Into a New Passion: Amie Browning's Love Affair with Golf



Not every golfer grows up on the course. Some discover the game later in life—and when they do, it becomes something truly special. For Amie Browning, golf wasn't a lifelong pursuit, but rather a passion that found her at just the right time. And now? It's a love story still in full swing.

What started as a curiosity quickly turned into a favorite pastime. Amie embraced the game with enthusiasm, diving into the rhythm of early tee times, the satisfaction of a well-struck shot, and the camaraderie that only golf seems to create. While she may be newer to the sport, her appreciation for it runs deep—and it shows every time she steps onto the course.

From the beautifully manicured greens of The Dominion Country Club to the scenic, lakeside fairways of Horseshoe Bay, Amie has already experienced some of the most stunning golf destinations Texas has to offer. Add in rounds at TPC San Antonio and breezy days along the Texas coast, and it's clear—this isn't just a hobby, it's becoming a lifestyle.

But what makes Amie's approach to golf so refreshing is her mindset. She plays to have fun but try to win—always striving to improve, challenge herself, and elevate her game—but never at the expense of enjoyment. For her, golf is about balance. It's about the laughter between shots, the friendships formed over nine or eighteen holes, and the simple joy of being outdoors in beautiful surroundings.

There's something empowering about stepping into a new sport and owning it, regardless of how long you've been playing. Amie Browning is a perfect example of that. She reminds us that you don't have to be a seasoned pro to belong on the course—you

Amie is proving that the best way to play the game is simple—play to win, but always have fun



just have to show up, swing with confidence, and enjoy the journey.

As her love for golf continues to grow, one thing is certain: this is only the beginning. And whether she's chasing bogies or just soaking in the view, Amie is proving that the best way to play the game is simple—play to win, but always have fun



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Type of Animal/Breed: Cats (rescues)
Male or Female: Both male
Pets' Names & Ages: Simba (16, red-haired), Dexter (7, dark-haired)

Where/Why Did You Get Your Pet?

Simba was adopted from PetSmart. Dexter was adopted from Petco on Austin Highway in San Antonio through the San Antonio Feral Cat Coalition.

Is There a Story Behind Their Names?

Both already had their names at the time of adoption, and they suited their personalities perfectly—so we kept them.

Anything Special or Unusual About Them (Talents/Quirks)?

Simba's life goal is to catch the red dot, while Dexter can catch bugs mid-air. Both give Oscar-worthy performances suggesting they are starving if dinner isn't served promptly at 5:40 p.m.

Any Funny Stories?

Living up to his name, Simba is a distinguished feline gentleman, while Dexter shows many dog-like tendencies—including eagerly eating anything that falls on the floor.



What Do You Like Best About Your Pets?

Both cats are incredibly affectionate and love spending time with their human family. They can be a bit protective—growling when visitors come to the front door after dark. Dexter was adopted as a kitten when Simba was already 9, and they became instant best friends, enjoying long naps in the sun and playful wrestling.

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"My perfect Mother's Day is all about simplicity and connection. I'd start with a slow morning and breakfast brought to me by the kids—even if it's a little messy. From there, I'd love a low-key day spent taking a walk, enjoying time outside, or simply relaxing at home together. The sweetest finishing touch would be homemade cards or a small handmade gift. For me, it's all about feeling appreciated and spending meaningful time with my family."

Kennedy Salazar, Age 5

"What I Love Most About My Mom..."

"What I love most about my mom is that she is so sweet. She always loves on me, and she always helps me."

ASHTON SWANN

"My Perfect Mother's Day Would Be..."

"My favorite Mother's Days have always been the ones when I've been pregnant—it's such an exciting time, knowing our family is about to grow. I love keeping the day relaxed and meaningful. Instead of an early brunch out, I prefer a slow morning with brunch at home or even breakfast in bed (a little later is best!). We might go for a walk, spend time together, and then head out shopping where the kids can pick out their own Mother's Day gifts. Ending the day by visiting my mom with my babies is always one of my favorite traditions."

Luke Swann, Age 8

"What I Love Most About My Mom..."

"My favorite thing about my mom is how much she takes care of me. She is the nicest mom in the world, and she makes all of our holidays really special by decorating and making everything feel extra special."

Collins Swann, Age 3

"What I Love Most About My Mom..."

"My favorite thing about my mom is that she's my mom, and I love when she takes me to Disney to see the princesses."

Casey Swann, Age 9 months

"What I Love Most About My Mom..."

"My favorite thing about my mom is milk and cuddles—and chewing on her phone."



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"My Perfect Mother's Day Would Be..."

"My ideal Mother's Day is the perfect balance of quiet time and meaningful moments with my family. I'd start the day with coffee in bed, enjoying a little peace and the chance to watch a show or movie completely uninterrupted. Taking a break from planning meals would feel like such a gift—just being able to relax and go with the flow. From there, I'd love to spend quality time together playing games, laughing, and watching movies as a family. Simple and calm—that's my perfect Mother's Day."

Raya Kumar, Age 2

"What I Love Most About My Mom..."

"My mommy is pretty!"

Keshan Kumar, Age 9

"What I Love Most About My Mom..."


"My favorite thing about my mom is when she comes to help at my school. I love getting to see her and give her a hug."

Nayan Kumar, Age 12

"What I Love Most About My Mom..."

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FAVORITE ANIMAL

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(and her second favorite is a dog)

FAVORITE FOOD

Mac & cheese (from the club)

FAVORITE ACTIVITIES

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