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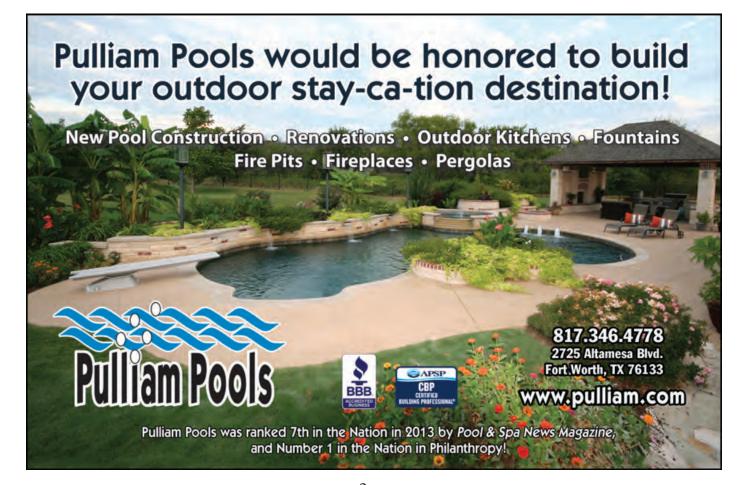
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Editor's Note

Hello Friends,

This month we celebrate the first anniversary of Granbury:NOW Magazine! We specialize in helping businesses grow, by informing the community about local services, while telling good stories about good people. Getting to know you all has been a grand adventure. Sharing your stories with your neighbors is my delightful privilege. Certainly, Granbury's successes and joys prepare the way for ours.

All around town, I see people enjoying life while anticipating for their future: cleaning up yards and neighborhoods, investing in new ventures, teaching techniques for prosperity, helping one another, cheering teams to victory and hosting fall festivals. Over the years,

this season has inspired vigor in the way I view the world. Opportunities abound as the sun highlights amber colors in the once-green grass and trees. A renewed perspective brings excitement. This community motivates me to keep celebrating, keep dreaming and keep achieving.

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and do flower arrangements," Geri said.
"I'm saying, 'Be bold! Remember what's in your heart! You might have been interrupted with family and career, but now you can do what you always wanted to do." She has spoken to women around Granbury at luncheon meetings. The Granbury Optimist Club hosted Geri and Cynthia last summer, and were so impressed they asked them to present a workshop next February. Geri plans to speak to the Pecan Plantation River Rats, an informal group of women and men who have homes on the Brazos River.

"It is equally appropriate to give this presentation to men," Geri said. "It's like, 'What are you going to do when you hang up your hat from your career days?" To be so bold, this Toastmasters International-trained public speaker remembers she has a lot to share. "You have to be careful with that, because you don't want to sound like you're boastful. You want to say, 'Look, I can help you!"

To succeed in each speaking engagement, Geri first asks the audience about themselves. "I was very successful in real estate because I was a good listener first. How can you sell somebody a house before you listen to find out what they want? So at the beginning of my talks, I ask the audience questions, warm them up, find out who I'm talking to, make a few mental notes in my head. Once I get rolling with this, I ad-lib," she said.

Believing there is nothing worse than a written speech, Geri engages her audience by asking questions along the way, too. She coaches them to close their eyes, think about just a couple things they might like to do someday if they had the opportunity, and then take out a piece of paper to write down their thoughts. "It's not coming from your brain, but from your heart," she reminds them, "and



those are the things you'll be successful with." Using her book as an example, Geri is going out to anyone who will listen and saying, "Hey, if I can do it, you can do it."

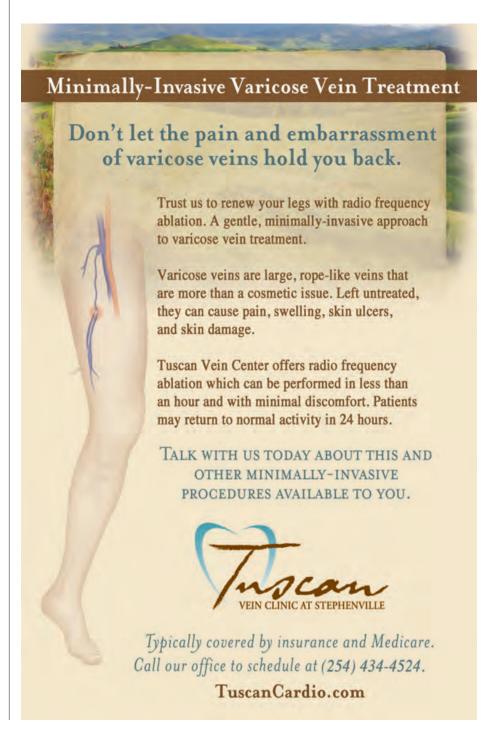
Geri grew up in Plymouth, Michigan, a historic town near the Huron River and three lakes: Portage, Strawberry and Zukey. "So my husband Bob and I have been drawn to lakes. We've sailed the Caribbean, everywhere, and we're both certified captains. Now we live on a cliff overlooking Lake Granbury with a water view," she said, adding they sold their last sailboat when they planned their move to Lake Granbury from Lake Texoma, where both were avid sailors and Realtors.

Before that, Geri negotiated leases for large corporate mall stores. Even earlier, she used her public speaking skills internationally to teach people who were learning the business of marketing shopping malls. "It was an unbelievable 30-year career, and I got in at the right time and got out at the right time," said Geri, who recalls her entrance into marketing was journalism.

She wrote a weekly column called "You'll Find It All At the Mall" for the small town newspaper, Scottsdale Progress, in Scottsdale, Arizona. Geri loved the writing, having been editor of her college newspaper. "The column was all about fashion — what is hot this week, what store has this, what the new colors were going to be. That role fit me well, because originally when I first married I sewed clothes for a living." Soon, Geri was producing fashion shows for all the stores in Scottsdale. Geri and Bob's two daughters, Kelly and Kristen, grew up modeling new fashions in all the special events for the mall.

Geri's life has been a journey, and she







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is not done yet. Her whole family is going on a cruise next year to celebrate the 50 years she and Bob have been married. "He is the wind beneath my sail," Geri said, happy to tell their love story. She has known Bob since she was 14 and he was 20. "When I was that young, we were not boyfriend and girlfriend at all. We were competitive roller skaters. Bob was a silver medalist, and I was a bronze medalist." Bob had to wait for Geri to grow up.

Sometimes, they visited the elegant Elmwood Casino, across the Detroit River in Canada. She wasn't yet 21, something the Elmwood did not know. "I was so impressed with Bob and would tell him, 'I don't have anything to wear, but I'm going to make something special today to wear to the Elmwood.' On one occasion, I made a Chintz flower-print sheath dress and a fuchsia coat lined with the same Chintz as the dress," Geri recalled. "Bob absolutely loved it. We called it the Elmwood Casino Dress." Looking beautiful, feeling like the queen of the world, Geri said, "Good," when Bob announced they were going to get married. "I guess he thought I'd grown up."

Little did he know that 47 years later, while learning to knit, Geri would work with more vibrant colors, especially soft yarns in wool blends. She would become entranced by a natural-fiber rat made by Julie Pitts, the owner of Yarn Extraordinaire now located at the Yeats-Duke historical cabin. When Geri and eight other ladies learned to make their own rats. Geri's writer-side went into action. She has since concocted a trilogy of books about The Rats of Grandville. Now reaching out to others, she urges people to consider their passions. "You've heard of the bucket list," Geri said. "My message is a little bit like that. Not the last things you want to do before you die, but what else do you have inside of you that's just waiting to come out?" NOW

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KIDS at HEART

At Home With Kent and Wendy Piety By Lisa Bell





October means reestablished school schedules, cooler weather, football and everything fall. For Kent and Wendy Piety and their three children, autumn brings a traditional family event — decorating for Halloween. During a weekend early in the month, the cell phones remain inside along with video games as the 10-year-old twins and their 16-year-old brother join their mom and dad outside. Everyone voices input on where to place different decorations. Truly a family affair, they simply have fun in the process.

In 2004, the family moved from Cleburne to Granbury. Kent worked for Wendy's father in the air conditioning business. He did the HVAC work on what became their home during its construction and liked it so much he brought Wendy to see the house. They already owned a lot in Pecan Plantation and had planned to build a smaller version there. However, the house Kent had worked on had been on the market for about eight months without any potential buyers, so the builder suggested they buy it instead. With premature newborn twin

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boys, they agreed. "From the minute we moved in, it felt like home," she said.

Wendy's family lived in Granbury, and she visited often. The quiet lake town had always interested her. "We've always been drawn to Granbury," she said. "I just thought it was a neat place to raise children."

Kent liked the golf course in the development. On a more serious note, he worked late evenings during the summer, so the move to Pecan was more about security for him. "A lot of retired people are around most of the time," he said. "They notice if anything is different."

Both of them love their neighbors. "We've been blessed," they said. "The neighbors are like family to us. We take care of each other."

The family loves decorating for every holiday — at least indoors. Christmas was always a big deal for outdoor decorations. Wendy decided they could do the same thing for

Halloween. What began as a blow-up or two, intended for something whimsical for their kids to enjoy, grew until their yard exploded with fun. "We're known as the Halloween House," Wendy said, chuckling.

While most children eagerly go out for trick-or-treating, Jake, Jaret and Jordan prefer handing out candy. Their parents take the boys to nearly 20 houses, and then they all return home. The family sits in the doorway or pulls out lawn chairs, making a night of it. Childhood memories of days when they went around on Halloween return for Kent and Wendy as they share a little joy. "Simple pleasures are sometimes the best," she said.

The beautiful, yet simple home invites visitors. Faux marble pillars welcome guests as they step through the front door. Throughout the house, words on the walls whisper welcoming quotes. Wendy's favorite phrase, "Always and Forever," accents her wedding portrait. "It's special to me because from the time we married, that's how we always signed cards to each other,"



she said. "When I saw it, I knew exactly where it should go."

In the very open-concept house, the couple quickly agrees on their favorite room — the kitchen. She grew up in a home where the family always sat down to dinner together. The habit continues with the Piety family. "It's a time when we can catch up," Kent said. "We can stay in tune with each other." In the summer of 2013, he began working for XTO Energy in Fort Worth. Wendy teaches



first grade in Cleburne. After a long day of work, they look forward to spending time in the heart of their home, cooking and talking with the kids.

Often on weekends, they move their love of cooking to the back patio, surrounded by flowers, wind chimes and a peaceful atmosphere. During the summer, they spend much of their time outdoors.

"Houses are meant to be lived in," Wendy said. Their house exemplifies a dwelling place of comfort and relaxation. From the guinea pig, who likes spending time in its cage on the dining table instead of the laundry room, to the three dogs and kids, the house beats with the heart of a loving home.

The twins, best friends as well as brothers, have distinct personalities. For most of their lives, they shared a room, attended the same classes and remained inseparable. Growing up, they gained some independence and now enjoy their personal space in spite of a desire to









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frequently hang out together. They both have their own rooms. Jordan also has plenty of personal space in his room, typical of any teenager.

The master bedroom hosts a recliner where Kent relaxes at the end of the day while Wendy curls up in bed. Content to share space, they determined the best way to make personal preferences work.

"We're kids at heart," Wendy said regarding the massive amount of decorating they do for the various holidays. Kent shared a story from two years ago, which solidified everything for him. In early December, he'd been working many hours, and his heart wasn't excited about a couple of weeks filled with placing all the decorations. They considered not going all out that year.

As he worked in the yard one evening, a woman and her elderly mother stopped and rolled down the car window. The woman explained her mother lived in an assisted living residence, but enjoyed seeing the decorations. She insisted her daughter bring her by the Piety house every year. "That's what it's all about," Kent said. "I like to make people smile. Decorating is a fun family time, and it brings joy to others."

As much as they love the two holidays, they don't have to deal with trying to outperform neighbors. Others nearby added a few decorative items to keep grandchildren happy, but competition isn't an issue. Last winter, one neighbor created a computer synchronized light display at Christmas. Kent kept thinking he wanted to do that. After talking with his neighbor and learning one song





required 20 hours of programming, Kent decided to enjoy the other man's work and leave it to him.

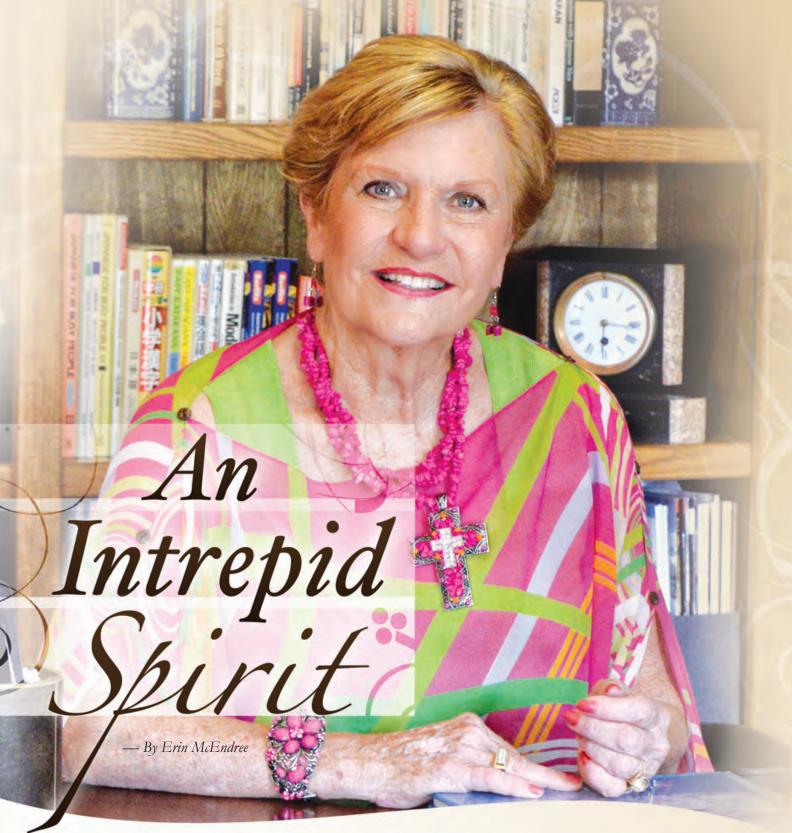
Jake's eyes sparkle and dance as he selects his favorite decoration, the Santa race car. When considering Halloween though, he grows animated. "We have a carriage with the grim reaper and a skeleton that lights up." He enjoys the process as much as his parents do.

Tradition plays an important part in this home. Whether riding around looking at Christmas lights, hanging them or decorating for Halloween, they do it as a family. Hoping to bring joy to friends and neighbors, they keep up the tradition each year. As October progresses and the yard fills, visitors enjoy the fun — and look forward to returning come December.



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Chloe Steinhagen has been involved in service for as long as she can remember. She forges full-steam ahead with fearless endurance for every new venture. She thought when she and her late husband, Carl, retired and found a "cottage" in Granbury on the lake, life would slow down and be filled with family and vacations. However, after Carl's long illness and death in 2010, she found herself anxious and had to find something new to keep her busy. She met Major Susan Brown, who gave a presentation about the Salvation Army in Chloe's living room to a group of 11 women. "I think you can start a women's group here in Granbury," Major Susan said.

Chloe was the founder of the first Women's Service League of the Salvation Army in Hood County. "We were the first to create a women's group outside a big city," Chloe said. "They spent that whole summer trying to figure out what to do with us. So, they made us a part of the Service Extension Unit in Dallas." Chloe went all over town with brochures to promote the new organization. "I have zeal and a big mouth," Chloe laughed.

The group of 11 that started the lofty venture in 2009 has grown to over 90 members. Since its infancy, the league has raised over \$100,000 to meet the needs of people in Hood County, especially

"The Lord took me where He wanted me to be. It may not have been the way I planned it, but it was a huge blessing."

children at risk. "We furnish shoes, underwear and hygiene kits to schools," Chloe explained. "There are pockets of poverty in Hood County and, as of now, the Salvation Army does not have an outlet store for people to go to." Chloe hopes that changes in the future.

In May, after the tornados in Granbury, the Women's Service League was asked to help volunteer with the Army canteen. "The canteen is a huge traveling kitchen that is deployed during a crisis," Chloe said. "We also coordinated with churches to find people shelter and clothing." The group also donated \$10,000 in gift cards to help the people affected by the tornado. The Women's League also works with Mission Granbury when there is a need. After the tornadoes, Chloe and other SAWSL (Salvation Army Women's Service League) members volunteered at the Reunion Grounds warehouse to sort and distribute needed items.











Every summer, the Women's Service League sends children to Camp Hoblitzelle, the Salvation Army camp in Midlothian, as part of their mission to better children's lives. Granbury ISD helps find children who qualify for the camp. "This year, we have six children from Hood County," Chloe said. "For the first time, kids find cleanliness, gentleness and Jesus. They are surrounded by beauty and loving people, often something they never experienced before."

"The Women's Service League can be replicated all over the country," Chloe added. "There is now a prototype for women to work collectively in nonurban areas. The only requirement is a servant's heart." Chloe would like to see more small towns create a Women's Service League to help families and children in their community. "If you feel like this could be your calling, and service to God is part of your life, a group of women can serve and do it," Chloe urged.

Experience from Chloe's education at Lindenwood College in St. Charles, Missouri, and University of Oklahoma helped provide her with the skills needed to organize a charitable group. "After 13 years of doing the most important thing in my life — rearing four children — I reentered the workforce in 1973 as the director of Women's Programs for

Amarillo College," Chloe said. "This was a time when women were beginning to deal with changing roles."

Women in the '70s were going back to work, selecting careers and getting out of bad situations. Chloe counseled adult female students about options for their situations. She advocated for women so they could learn a skill to provide a better paying job. Chloe built a curriculum and started a drop-in daycare on campus so women could finish school. To promote and expand she wrote, directed and hosted a TV show called A Woman's World spotlighting women who were successfully managing career and family. Family is important to

Chloe. She is very proud of her children and what they have accomplished: Cheryl has a law degree, Bo is a CPA, John is a lobbyist in Washington, D.C. and Renee is a manager for Dell. She has six beautiful grandchildren. Their pictures can be found in many places around her house. "They have done really well in spite of me," Chloe laughed.

Chloe has been a member, served or volunteered on countless committees, boards, choirs, churches and clubs stretching from Washington, D.C. to Japan. "I keep reinventing myself everywhere I go," Chloe said. "I loved my time being in real estate and construction in Hawaii and Bastrop, near Austin. It was a treat to start something with just a set of plans and finally see it finished. This gave me flexibility and the financial support I needed while I still had kids at home."

In the '90s, Chloe had the opportunity to travel to Japan. She ended up staying there 10 years. She taught ESL (English as a Second Language) to foreign capital companies. "English is the business language," Chloe explained. While in Japan, Chloe established her own company called Wordsmith. She wrote and edited for both Japanese and foreign companies. On the side, she performed as a vocalist with Japanese musicians.

For six years she sang on the Mitsui Cruise Line ships that departed from Tokyo. "I had the time of my life," Chloe said. "When I wasn't performing or rehearsing, I could edit and write at sea. It was great."

Chloe has worn many hats in her life and received many honors. In February 2013, she received the Daughters of the American Revolution Community Service Award. She continues to enjoy the arts. She sings



with the Granbury Civic Chorus. She tap dances with the Show Stoppers, and she occasionally performs at the Granbury Opera House. She has survived trials with courage and perseverance. "My friends call me the Unsinkable Molly Brown," Chloe said. "My son Bo told me I had an intrepid spirit."

She is quick to admit she has some bad qualities, but when she thinks of the one good quality of an intrepid spirit her son attributes to her, she is humble, yet proud. "The Lord took me where He wanted me to be. It may not have been the way I planned it, but it was a huge blessing," Chloe admitted. "Life has worked out really well." NOW











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It's All About You

At Paradise Bistro, delicious food and coffee are served with your comfort in mind. — By Melissa Rawlins

Satisfaction soothes at Paradise Bistro. From smooth coffees and rich desserts, to healthy mealtime selections, this cafe on the southern side of the Square attracts people who appreciate good food. The restaurant has grown in popularity in recent years in part due to the hospitable and friendly staff. After its recent purchase by The McDaniel 3 Group, Paradise Bistro is expanding on what has already been a huge success.

Visitors enjoy old-fashioned ambience in the historic building, next to the soon-to-be-open Granbury Opera House. Creamy, coffee-colored walls and mellow, amber hardwood floors focus eyes on cheerful, checker-topped tables with comfortable straightback chairs. Walking through the dining room to the rear of the

deep, rock building, customers can pick their favorite spot while contemplating their order.

At the bar, carefully designed for ergonomics and efficiency, skilled baristas float between the rack of mugs, coffee grinders and espresso machines. Handcrafted espresso drinks are created from a diverse selection of direct fair-trade coffees from around the world. Paradise keeps around six single-origin coffees on hand, including regional varieties like Madan Peaberry from Papua New Guinea and El Puente from Honduras.

"We buy high-quality coffee, because we believe in selling a high-quality product," new owner Nathan McDaniel said. Each coffee, whether taken black or con leche, pairs nicely with one of the

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specialty desserts made fresh daily by Susan Shea, who operated Susan's Sweets for 13 years before joining Paradise Bistro. Their homemade desserts feature pies, pies and more pies, as well as lemon bars, brownies and muffins like banana nut, glorious morning and blueberry.

Paradise Bistro's chef prepares filling and delicious breakfasts before creating a selection of salads, soups and sandwiches for lunch. The menu contains a good old-fashioned hamburger, seven gourmet sandwiches and three different tacos. When customers asked for lighter fare, a French Dip sandwich and two salads, tuna and chicken, were added, each accompanied by fruit. Several customers indulge in the green salads — including a very colorful

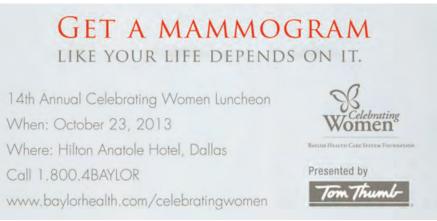
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one topped with a tender grilled and sliced steak — and especially enjoy the vegetarian sandwich made with avocado, cucumber, lettuce, tomato, onion and chipotle mayonnaise on wheat berry bread.

With the weather cooling off, Paradise plans to add a daily soup special. Nathan has recreated a homemade chicken tortilla soup his mother taught him to cook when he was barely old enough to reach the stove. Beginning by boiling a whole chicken to make the chicken broth, he uses fresh quality ingredients to prepare the light, full-flavored soup. "During the cooler months, several people request the soup," he said, a bit surprised since he is not culinary-school trained. "I enjoy cooking food that puts a smile on someone's face."

Although the chef goes home at 3:00 p.m., dessert and coffee attract customers in the calm of the afternoons. Paradise Bistro is working on getting their beverage license to serve beer and wine. They also plan to incorporate a Sunday brunch and some sort of an evening menu for the patrons visiting the Opera House. "We look forward to becoming a part of a great community," Nathan said. If you want a satisfying cup of coffee or a tasty lunch, stop in and check them out.







Teach Your Children to be Savers and Investors

Ideally, our children should learn good behavior from us. But when it comes to living within our means, and saving and investing for the future, we're not setting such a good example. Consider the following:

Savings are low — The personal savings rate in the U.S. at the end of 2008 was less than 3 percent.

Debt is high — Household debt, as measured by the ratio of debt payments to disposable personal income, has reached record highs over the past several years.

Of course, your children aren't responsible for our discouraging savings and debt trends. But if you'd like to help them boost their chances for achieving financial stability in their adult lives, you can take a number of steps, including the following:

Reward children for saving. Children, like adults, tend to repeat behavior that is rewarded in some way. So, if you want your children to become good savers, you might want to match their contributions, either fully or partially, whenever they put money away, whether it's in a big jar or a bank account. Once they've saved a certain amount, you may want to let them withdraw part of it to purchase something they want.

Exhibit restraint in spending. When you want to teach your children an important lesson, what you do is sometimes more important than what you say. So, if you want to stress the importance of delaying immediate gratification and avoiding excessive debts, you might want to talk about

something like your car, if it's older, and say you wish you could get a new one. When your child asks why you don't, you can respond that you don't have the money for it now, and you don't want to have borrow too much money to get one, because that would just mean a big payment later on.

Explain principles of investing. Even fairly young children can typically understand what it means to invest in stocks, if it's carefully explained to them. Use examples of the companies with which they may be familiar — Disney, McDonald's, etc. — and stick to the basics. For example, anyone can own small pieces of these businesses. You might even decide to buy a few shares of one of these stocks and, along with your children, follow its returns.

Give examples of inflation. If you want your children to become financially literate, they'll need to understand the effects of inflation. Start them out with simple examples, such as the cost of candy or milk when you were a child versus those costs today. Then, explain that as the cost of virtually everything goes up over time, you need to put some of your money in investments that will hopefully have the potential to grow faster than the rate of inflation.

By following these basic suggestions, you can help your children develop financial behaviors that can serve them well throughout their lives.

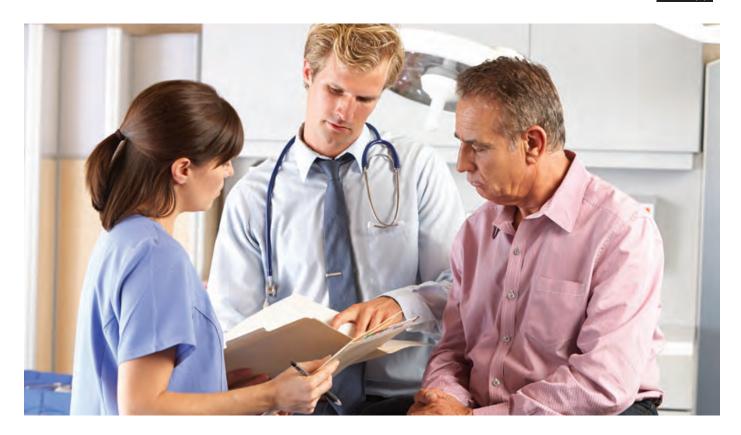
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Men Get It, Too

— By Betty Tryon, BSN

When the term breast cancer is used, it is most often assumed the words refer to breast cancer in women. However, men can and do get breast cancer. The incidence is very rare and accounts for only 1 percent of breast cancers. But, for that 1 percent male population, the cancer can manifest itself as devastatingly as it does for women.

The reason men can get breast cancer is because everyone is born with breast tissue. However, during puberty a female's hormones will trigger the growth and development of breast tissue. For a male, testosterone will suppress the growth of these tissues, and they remain underdeveloped. However, what is present can undergo cancerous changes.

Breast cancer in men is typically discovered in patients past the age of 60. Men most often present with symptoms of advanced development of the disease, because earlier signs and symptoms were ignored or misdiagnosed. One of the more common signs is the presence of a lump in the breast. Most of the time, the lump is painless. Changes in the appearance of the skin are another indication of possible cancer. These symptoms may be dimpling or puckering of the skin, redness, swelling or a change in the contour of the breast. Nipple discharge or a nipple that begins to retract or turn inward may indicate presence of the disease. Any persistent change in the breast area should be

brought to the attention of a physician.

What causes male breast cancer is not fully known. There is the possibility of inheriting an increased risk in the form of mutated genes BRCA1 and BRCA2, which stand for breast cancer susceptibility gene 1 and breast cancer susceptibility gene 2. Radiation, obesity, age and estrogen are a few of the risk factors. If a man has several female relatives who have developed breast cancer, his risk of getting it is increased.

Many men with breast cancer may feel isolated in a world of pink. Because the disease is atypical for men, they may be hesitant to reach out for support particularly with other men. As with any serious illness, the emotional state plays a significant part. Sharing with others about all the manifestations of this disease from diagnosis to recovery makes the journey easier. Check with your health care provider for any local support groups. If none are available, the Internet could be an option. One site specifically for male breast cancer is www.mdjunction. com/male-breast-cancer, where men can share their experiences. Living with breast cancer can be daunting. It is important that every tool available for a positive outcome is used. **NOW**

This article is for general information only and does not constitute medical advice. Consult with your physician if you have questions regarding this topic.

Around Town NOW



Junior, Aaron and Gaby Cazares beat the heat at Granbury's Beach Park.



Jade serves the new Rioja to Ron Van Meter and Joshua Winters at D'Vine Wine.



Seventeen students join teachers Pam Futch and Sarah Mabery for the summer excursion to Washington, D.C.



Isabel and Rowdy Stiles enjoy the breeze on Lake Granbury.



Josh Aten and Tiffany Cussins celebrate the small dent they made in silverware rolling at The Dock.



Leslie Hughes receives a gift in recognition of her hard work and new status as Ambassador of the Quarter for the Granbury Chamber of Commerce.



Rodney Hatch from Inspere Insurance Solutions cuts the ribbon at the Granbury Chamber of Commerce.



Bethany Decaire digs into reading with Amanda King at Hood County Library's Summer Reading Club.



October 3

Christian Women's Job Corps: 6:00-8:30 p.m., 1310 Weatherford Hwy., Bldg. C. Free, twiceweekly evening sessions begin October 3 for GED classes and computer classes. Call (817) 573-6677 to register today.

October 3

Granbury Newcomers ladies luncheon: 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Pecan Plantation Country Club. Deena Graves presents on stopping human trafficking in America. Call Paulette Mauer, (817) 579-0377.

October 5

5th Annual Party on the Peak: 6:00 p.m., historic Comanche Peak Mesa. Chuckwagon Chef Homer Robertson feeds vou before Davin James entertains. \$100 tickets support Preserve Granbury. Call (817) 573-2787.

October 8

Ladies Luncheon and Silent Auction: 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Harbor Lakes Country Club. \$30 donation supports Salvation Army Women's Service League of Hood County. RSVP (817) 776-3654.

October 10

FFA Dinner and Auction: 6:30 p.m.,

Granbury High School cafeteria. Two people for \$25. Visit www.granburyisd.org/ffa or call (817) 408-4642.

October 11

Boys & Girls Clubs Benefit Golf Tournament: 8:00 a.m., Squaw Valley Golf Course, 2439 W. Hwy 67, Glen Rose. For \$450, your team of four supports life-enhancing programs for kids in Hood County. Call Jeff, (817) 243-4440.

October 12

Brazos River Corvette Club 8th Annual Car Show: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., historic courthouse square. Visit www.brazosrivercc.com.

October 18, 19, 20

Fall Book Sale: 222 N. Travis St., Friday, 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., Join at the door; Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., everyone welcome. Sunday, 1:00-4:00 p.m., \$5 box day. Support your Hood County Library. Call (817) 408-2570.

October 16

18th Annual Fr. Costigan Charity Golf Tournament: 7:30 a.m., Hidden Oaks Golf Course. \$75 per golfer. Scramble format. Supports local charities and seminarians. Call Ron Arnett, Knights of Columbus, (817) 819-4892.

October 18

17th Annual Chamber Golf Classic: 1:00 p.m., Shotgun Start, Harbor Lakes Golf & Swim Club. 4-man scramble. Call (817) 573-1622.

October 19

50 Fellas Foodfest: 6:00-8:30 p.m. Reunion Grounds. Granbury ISD Education Foundation's fundraiser. Reserve \$45 tickets in advance from www.granburyisd.org/50fellasfoodfest.

October 31

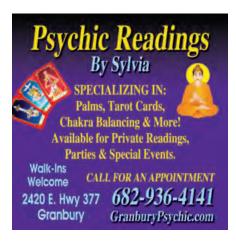
Halloween Alternative: 6:00-8 p.m., Southside Baptist Church, 910 Paluxy Rd. Bring your family to visit Bible scenes and enjoy carnival fun. Contact (817) 573-1462 for more information.

November 1

Pecan Valley Centers 3rd Annual golf tournament: 8:30 a.m., Canyon West Golf Course. Email mmaberry@pecanvalley.org or call (817) 579-4435.

Submissions are welcome and published as space allows. Send your event details to melissa.rawlins@nowmagazines.com.











In The Kitchen With Linda Peoples

— By Melissa Rawlins

Although she sometimes cooks for her family, Linda Peoples mainly prepares meals for the campers and staff at Camp El Tesoro. Grateful for the patience shown by her mother, Zelma Brown Perry, Linda began cooking at about age 5. "As a young girl, I thought it was fun kneading the sticky dough, rolling it out on the board and cutting out the round biscuits. I loved the smell of the biscuits cooking and getting to eat them from the oven with either jelly or gravy," Linda recalled. "My daddy, Doc Perry, would be my taste tester." Her inherited recipes are collected in Treasured Keepsakes, including the cinnamon rolls made famous over 17 years of serving them to counselors and campers — whom Linda loves like family. NOW

Sweet Potato Casserole

6 medium sweet potatoes

1 10-oz. jar Polaner All Fruit, apricot flavor

2 Tbsp. pecans, crushed

I stick butter, melted

2 Tbsp. brown sugar

- **I.** Bake potatoes until tender. Cool, peel and mash.
- 2. Add Polaner All Fruit, pecans, butter and brown sugar.
- **3.** Bake in sprayed casserole dish at 350 F until bubbly (about 30 minutes).

Dean's Favorite Meat and Beans

1 lb. ground beef

1 lb. bacon, diced

1 lb. smoked sausage with peppers, sliced

I medium onion, diced

2 15-oz. cans pinto beans

1 15-oz. can pinto beans with jalapeños

1 15-oz. can lima beans

1 15-oz. can pork and beans

1/2 cup granulated sugar

1/4 cup brown sugar

1/2 cup ketchup

1/2 cup Worcestershire sauce

1 Tbsp. chili powder

1. Brown ground beef; drain. Add bacon and sliced smoked sausage. Cook until bacon is done.

2. Combine meat mixture with remaining ingredients in large Crock-Pot. Cook on low temperature for 2 hours.

Enchilada Sauce

Makes about 3 quarts.

2 cups ground onion

3 tsp. salt

1/4 tsp. garlic powder

2 Tbsp. cumin

6 Tbsp. chili powder

1/2 lb. butter

1/2 cup flour

2 quarts canned tomatoes I quart water

- 1. Cook onion and seasoning in butter. Add flour; stir until smooth.
- **2.** Run tomatoes (with juice) through food grinder. Stir in tomatoes and water. Cook until thick and smooth.

Cinnamon Rolls

Makes about 80 rolls.

Dough:

1/2 cup yeast

2 1/2 cups sugar (divided use)

4 1/2 cups lukewarm water (divided use)

2 1/2 cups butter, melted

2 Tbsp. salt

8 eggs, beaten

1 11-oz. can evaporated milk

5 lbs. all-purpose flour

Filling:

2 lbs. butter, melted

4 cups sugar

2 cups ground cinnamon

1 lb. confectioners' sugar

1 tsp. vanilla

5-6 Tbsp. milk, heated

- 1. For rolls: In a small mixing bowl, combine yeast, 1/2 cup sugar and 2 cups lukewarm water.
- 2. In large mixing bowl, mix remaining water, sugar, butter, salt, eggs and milk. Slowly add half the flour, using dough hook.
- 3. Mix well; add yeast mixture and remaining flour, mix on medium speed until dough leaves sides and bottom of bowl (about 15 minutes). Dough should be soft, but not sticky.
- **4.** Let dough rise until doubled in volume (about 1 to 1 1/2 hours).
- 5. For filling: Mix cinnamon and sugar together. Roll dough out on a floured surface; brush with melted butter; sprinkle with sugar cinnamon mixture.
- 6. Roll up like a jelly roll. Cut in 1- to 2-inch slices, depending on the size you want.
- **7.** Place rolls on buttered cookie sheet. Let rise until double (about 40-45 minutes).
- 8. Bake at 375 F for 20 minutes or until golden brown.
- 9. For glaze: Mix all ingredients for glaze until smooth; add more milk to thin, if desired. Drizzle over warm rolls.
- 10. Rolls can be baked and frozen. Do not glaze before freezing.



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