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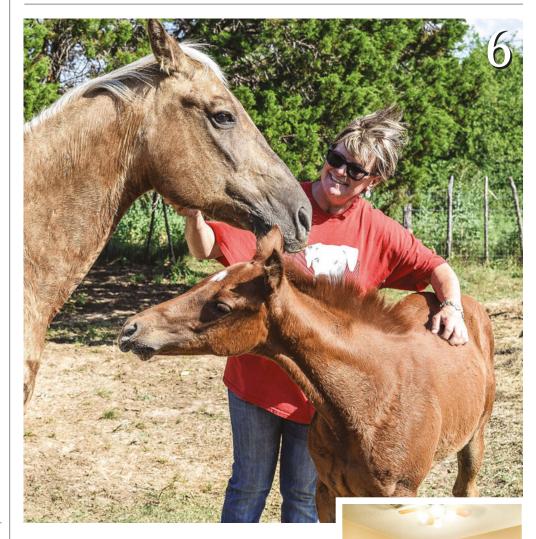
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Doofus and all his friends are stars at Second Chance Farm.

Photo by Bill Goldsborough.

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Editor's Note

Hello, Granbury Family and Friends,

Another year passes into history. Wait. What? But I didn't accomplish all I wanted to do in 2016! How can the year be finished? Ready or not, 2017 is here.

As I reflect on last year, I grow a little melancholy over the goals I set for myself. Did I finish any of them? My year in review didn't exactly make me happy — too much undone. Some plans totally derailed. Others changed and

new projects popped up. One event rearranged my life, and I didn't see that coming. Instead of beating myself up for what I didn't do, I looked at all I did. Several goals came unexpectedly, not a blip on my radar a year ago, yet finished.

Will I set goals again this year? Absolutely. And goals I didn't accomplish in 2016 top the list. Regardless of what worked or didn't work last year, 2017 is another chance.

Forget the past and press forward to the prize — whatever the prize means to you.

Happy New Year!

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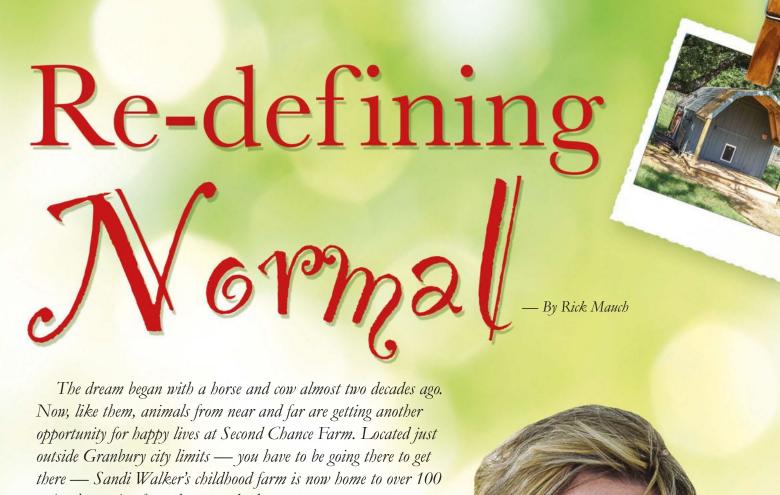




















hindquarters. He was in dire need of a blood transfusion, medical treatment and, of course, lots of love. "He should not have survived," Sandi said, her eyes misting. "I think he was a street dog that no one cared about."

Dr. Timothy Lammers is one of the local veterinarians who works with Sandi to save animals. He said the farm is appropriately named. "She gives them a true second chance, not just to live, but for a good life," he said. "I'm just a part of it. Sandi is the one who makes it go, but I am glad to be on board."

For 15 years, Sandi funded Second Chance Farm through her two businesses in beauty essentials and tanning. In 2012, she went public with the farm and last year turned her businesses over to someone else to put all her focus on the farm. "It's a 24-7 job," she said. "And I'm real selective about my volunteers."

Most of the animals at Second Chance Farm come from shelters. But with over 13,000 friends on Facebook, their work has gained worldwide attention, and they've received animals from many places. They've received donations from as far away as the United Kingdom. Sandi makes sure everyone who donates is kept up to date on what is happening on the farm. "If you donate \$10, I want you to know exactly where your \$10 is going," she said.

Local businesses have helped with such items as storage buildings transformed to "canine cabins." They have doggie doors (and human doors), toddler beds and temperature-controlled heating and air-conditioning. "Life is good for the shelter dogs here," Sandi said with a grin. "I'd live in one."

Another volunteer is building porches for the cabins, much like the one Patrick and his best friend, June Bug, have.

Another donates hay for the horses and cows, and yet another is working on filing for some grant funding. Sandi found some volunteers from Facebook. Chris Follis, for example, can be found at the farm most evenings and weekends. "I can have the longest of days at work and be so tired, but when I come out here with these animals, I'm revived," Chris said.

Sadly, many of the animals who come to Second Chance Farm are simply forgotten by their owners, often untended and sometimes abandoned. There are, however, folks who adopt



animals from the farm, people who also realize the animals still have lots of love to share, "We had a family from Waco. The husband was deaf, and the children were hearing-impaired," Sandi said. "They wanted a deaf dog, and they'd been following what we do. They wound up with two deaf dogs, and they love them. We're trying to teach people they do make good pets."

Some of Sandi's dogs have also served as resident therapy dogs for Silverado Memory Care in the Metroplex. "It's always great to see these animals fulfill a special purpose in life, just like it is with people," she said. Doofus and Doodlebug are the "spokesdogs" for the farm. Sandi often takes them to schools to visit with children, and they are always a hit.

Doofus was also named honorary grand marshal for the recent Granbury Fourth of July Parade. Sandi even had T-shirts printed that read "Doofus for president."

"Sandi has been a blessing for the animals in need," said Kelly McNab of the Hood County Animal Control office. "She has always been able to help rescue the more severe cases that we see at animal control. Sandi is a very special person and an awesome animal rescuer."

Jarod Rhudy delivers food for the horses once or twice a month. He said with each visit it seems he is introduced to at least one new animal, and other times several. "Those are very lucky animals because Sandi has them. She's got a big heart," he said. "The whole world would be a better place if we had a lot more Sandi Walkers." NOW





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a wonderful place," she shared. "I was dying on the vine at home."

Gwen praises the employees at Quail Park. They prepare and serve hot meals for residents every day, but employees don't stop there. "They are exceptionally attentive," she said. Although they transport residents to Wal-Mart and other places around town, often employees pick up items for Gwen. She doesn't always want to go shopping.

At lunch, she joins two gentlemen at her table in the dining room. Both have wives in a different part of the facility and visit them daily. But when



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they eat together, the three laugh. "We're all hard of hearing, so it gets pretty loud," Gwen confided. Because they sometimes misunderstand words, the conversation can get funny. "I have sat there laughing until tears ran down my cheeks." They share interesting stories from their lives. At 85, Gwen is second to the oldest in the small group of friends.

Gwen's two-bedroom, two-bath apartment is warm and elegant. Her three rooms have windows opening to a courtyard. From outside, the windows appear as one huge bay window because of the angled design, a fascinating illusion. Gwen hung wind chimes on her small patio, furnished with a bench and chairs. Her neighbor, Pat, has a birdhouse. He asks, "Did you see the redbird?" Other times, he claims the chimes kept him up all night. Gwen doesn't believe him.

Although she doesn't have pets, her other neighbor, Don, has a sweet little dog named Cisco. Cisco visits her, often spending part of the day with her. The pets bring joy to the small community. Gwen likes the ability to live alone, yet remain close to friends and have people look after her at the same time. The apartment is the perfect size for one.

In the hallway outside of the front door, Gwen displays decorations, including pictures she's owned for a long time. A beautiful portrait of her and Dick hangs among them — a lovely rendering of a photo taken in Arlington with sweet memories of their life together. Soon after she moved in, her neighbor, Don, installed a wireless doorbell, so she didn't miss visitors.

The open concept from the kitchen into the living room creates a large, welcoming environment. She has a small drop-





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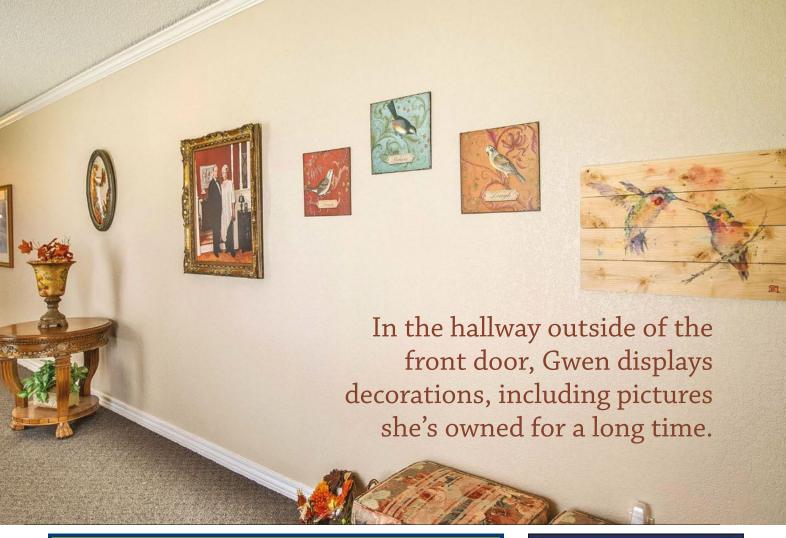
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leaf table in the kitchen area, perfect if she wants to eat in. Lower cabinets make reaching items easier, and above them, she has decorative objects, which brighten the room. She also displays some original artwork in the kitchen, as well as throughout the apartment. A breakfast bar separates the two rooms without taking away the openness. She plans to have the maintenance man paint a small section of the kitchen with a brighter color.

Gwen loves vases, and they appear throughout the home. However, two in the living room stand tall among the simple, yet elegant furniture. In the vases, lighted branches create a soft glow in the room. She bought the branches after moving to Granbury, placed them in the vases and turned them on. "They haven't been off since then," she said. "I use them as a night light." Her neutral colors help everything flow wonderfully, as visitors sit down and sink into the warmth of the room and her attitude toward life.

One of the bedrooms instantly became a study. Here she watches television or reads books. Gwen loves to read, and has a friend who sends books to her. After reading her books, she sometimes gives them to friends or to the Quail Park library. With two armchairs flanking a side table, she can prop her feet on an ottoman and relax. The full bathroom off this room makes it easy for her to take fewer steps while enjoying the evening. The large closet inside the bathroom provides extra storage space for her.

The other bedroom, where she sleeps, includes her bedroom furniture, which she also brought with her from Arlington. She displays an intriguing box



she found in 1989. She liked the wooden box a lot, and Dick insisted she buy it. A vase in her bedroom belonged to her mother. "Mom found it in a vacant house when she was 8 years old," Gwen said. One picture in the room came from a woman who painted it at 93 years old. The painting is over 100 now, but still vibrant. The bedroom holds pictures of family and friends, as well as a few of herself as a child.

She uses the bathroom off this room as her main bathroom. A mirror image of the other bathroom, she uses this one for clothing and personal items. Even with her belongings, Gwen still has some storage space in this room as well.

The only complaint about the apartment is not having a personal washer/dryer hookup, but she manages fine. The benefits far outweigh this one inconvenience. She's closer to family. Her son, Ray, visits often and her daughter-inlaw, Sandra, calls every day to check on her. Not that she needs it. The employees and friends she made in the last two years keep an eye on her. That's the beauty of living in the apartments. Quail Park offers many activities for residents. Gwen doesn't attend everything, but she can if she wants to.

Instead of church services or Bible study, she frequently opts for personal study and worship. "I have found out you really can be alone with God," she divulged. If she starts feeling down, she thinks about people who have hard lives. Then she focuses on the goodness of her life. Gwen plays bridge three times a week, and is thankful for the companionship and friendship. Instead of living alone, she lives a vibrant, happy life. Don truly found the perfect solution, and she's happy he did. NOW





A new year means new goals for people all over the world. With each new calendar, though, many find it difficult to maintain their resolve and hit their goals. If your resolutions typically fizzle out before the winter has lost its cold, here are some simple tips to do better as you try to live healthier in 2017.

SMALL CHANGES MEAN BIGGER RESULTS

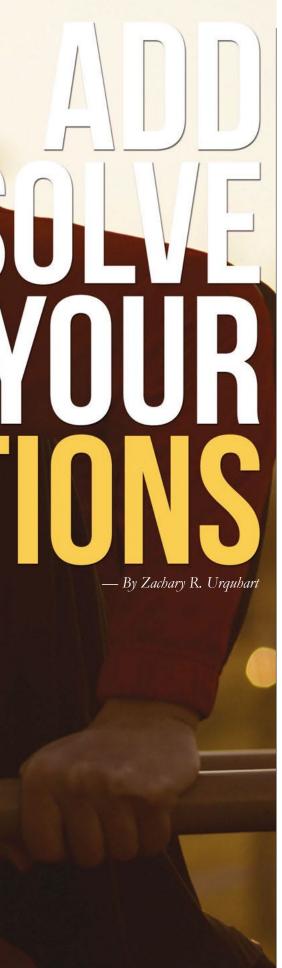
- Make incremental goals. Instead of trying to lose 15 percent of your body weight, make a real, attainable goal that you can meet in four to six weeks. Losing five pounds in a month should be motivation to lose five more. But if you are thinking 30 pounds or bust, that five-pound loss might become a disappointment. And when making those goals, be sure to increase and extend them as you start hitting your desired marks.
- Take one step at a time. If your current fitness level has you struggling to walk 1 mile without stopping, avoid resolving to run a marathon. Start with walking a length or time without

stopping, and then add jogging or auxiliary exercises like pushups or jumping jacks. A good one-month goal for beginning runners is to complete a 5K run within six weeks of starting your training. The same principle applies for those who are already in better shape. If you can walk three miles without a problem, add incline runs or increase the distance to push your limits and increase your results, and try for a half or full marathon.

• You do not have to overhaul your diet overnight. Rather than cutting all sugar, fat and bread completely, start simpler. Substitute unsweet tea and black coffee for soda and a latte. Eat one less fast-food meal a week and opt for a homemade salad with a healthy dressing. If you cannot cut out dessert completely, make it a biweekly treat, and limit yourself to one helping. Instead of forcing yourself to eat nothing but kale and water, start with a smaller plate for portion control. As you get healthier, you can increase and adjust your goals accordingly.

MOTIVATION IS KEY

• Have a partner. Losing weight, eating right and exercising can all be difficult to do, especially when you go it alone. Whether





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- Set up rewards. In addition to setting incremental goals, you should treat yourself when you hit those goals. You can give yourself a cheat day, a day of rest from running or even something like going to a movie or buying a new belt for your smaller waist. You do not have to break the bank, and you can write yourself notes or send yourself cards to encourage yourself along the way.
- Include healthy competition. Having someone you are competing against might make you more likely to reach your marks, but do not get upset if you lose a weekly weigh-in. Be sure to give yourself a fair game though. Women typically lose weight at a slower rate than men, and age often slows metabolism. So a 50-year-old woman probably should not compare herself to a young man just out of college.
- Make it fun. Find a local group of runners to make your exercise social as well as functional. If you hate running, try lifting weights, cardio-rich workout videos or alternate exercise like CrossFit training. Change up your routine times and locations, so you are not looking at the same scenery every time you work out. Most cities offer recreational sports leagues, so you can get the work in playing soccer, flag football or basketball.





If you enjoy what you are doing, you will be much more likely to keep it up throughout the year.

THE RIGHT TOOLS FOR THE JOB

- Take out the guesswork. People often think running is running, but when it comes to weight loss, there is a science involved. With a good heart rate monitor, you will be able to maximize your workouts by staying somewhere between 55 percent and 85 percent of your maximum heart rate.
- Work to scale. If your plan hinges on losing a specific amount of weight, you will need to make sure you have a good scale. On the other hand, if you are simply trying to improve your strength and endurance, a scale may hinder progress. When your maximum lifts increase and your running times decrease, stepping on the scale and finding out you have not lost any weight can kill the momentum of your exercise success.
- Have a plan and write it down. When it comes to exercise, do not just throw weights around or run without purpose. There are varying ideas as to what the perfect workout regimen is, but you should use a workout journal no matter what plan you try. Have your workouts written down ahead of time, so you stay focused. Jot notes as you go to adjust intensity, as needed. The same goes for your food intake. You probably do not need a note to remind you how unhealthy donuts are, but keeping a record of calories, noting healthy recipes you want to attempt and listing what times you should eat each meal and snack will drastically improve your overall success. With these tips, you can make this the year you remain resolute. NOW



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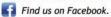
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Trash or Treasure

At Rubbish Revival, Shane and Michelle Scarborough make old or worn out things beautiful.

– By Lisa Bell

When a store opens its doors as part of a block party, expect something unique. Rubbish Revival opened in March 2016, and indeed participated in a block party that night. Shane and Michelle Scarborough specialize in quality, hand-painted furniture but also offer antiques, which they would never cover with paint. In addition, they restore and repair furniture or custom paint family heirloom pieces. Surprisingly, half of their work comes from customers who retain family history but with a facelift.

What began as a hobby for Michelle after she moved to Granbury 13 years ago, grew to a small business quickly. By the time she met Shane and they married almost five years ago, she often sold pieces to friends and family. At the end of the 2015 school year, he suggested she leave teaching and sell one or two

pieces of furniture each month for their "fun" money. They rented space at a couple of local shows and sold out both times, walking away with multiple custom orders. Soon they filled their garage, two storage buildings and their home with items for sale or that filled customer orders. They literally ran out of storage and work space, still not sure what it all meant.

During a visit with Holly Robinson, from New2U, they discovered the building next to her would be available soon. After much prayer, they decided to stop resisting the direction they were being pushed. In November 2015, they moved into their new space and soon started filling it up with all their projects and latest finds. Both Michelle and Shane thought it would be a nice place to work and maybe display a few pieces — a showroom of

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sorts, but neither of them dreamed of what was to come.

They reached out to friends and family to get ideas and guidance for making their new business a success. Before long, Shane took a leap of faith and quit his full-time job to help Michelle keep up with their booming business. Trying to juggle demands of a career and helping her with projects had become too much. Both of them believe it is possible to go for your dream. "It's scary every day," Shane said.

"But God provides every month," Michelle added.

Due to their quality finishes and a peaceful atmosphere, this approach has quickly made Rubbish Revival a successful business turning trash to treasure. "God knew what He was doing when He put us together," she said. While Shane does the majority of shopping for their furniture, Michelle is the creative force that drives the business. She carefully chooses colors to withstand trends but enables customers to match their décor. "I really feel like we have the best customers," Michelle said.

"Neither of them dreamed of what was to come."

These days, the Rubbish Revival showroom is constantly changing, offering unique antiques, clean burning candles, freshly roasted and ground coffee, custom signs, and fair trade items. They have even been able to add three part-time employees to help with the growing demands. People visit the shop from all over the area, including the DFW Metroplex, but also from West Texas. Above all, the couple strives to please God.

"This is a Kingdom business," Michelle said. "We have given this company to the Lord. It is His. 'Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men.' Colossians 3:23."



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\$20 each. Visit www.granburytheatrecompany. org for details and tickets.

January 21

Stargazing with Astronomers: 7:00-9:00 p.m., Elmer W. Oliver Nature Park, 1650 Matlock Rd., Mansfield. Free opportunity to learn about constellations with the aid of high-powered telescopes and experts from the Fort Worth Astronomical Society. Email tiffany. gorrell@mansfieldtexas.gov.

February 2

Granbury Newcomers Club Luncheon: 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., DeCordova Country Club. Granbury author Geri England Lowry shares portions of her novel, The *Rats of Grandville*. Lunch \$14 (check preferable.) Reservations, (817) 243-9831 by noon **Jan 28**. Visit www. granburynewcomers.org for more information.

Ongoing:

Second Mondays

Lake Granbury Art Association meeting: 7:00 p.m., Shanley House. Program followed by Q&A time. Refreshments served. Free for citizens supporting art and artists. Jeanette Alexander at (817) 578-3090.

First Tuesdays

Hood County Clean Air Coalition meeting: 10:00 a.m., American Town Hall. This proactive organization exists to promote clean air in Hood County. Visit www.granburyedc.com/cleanair. Contact Michelle McKenzie, (682) 936-4049 or mamckenzie@centurylink.net.

Third Tuesdays

Greater Granbury Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America meeting: 6:00-9:00 p.m., Pecan Plantation Country Club. Contact Colonel Gary Proctor, USAF (Ret), (817) 894-0901, or garyproctor5455@msn.com.

Fourth Tuesdays

Texas Patriots Tea Party meeting: 7:00 p.m., Cleburne Conference Center, 1501 W. Henderson, Cleburne. www.texaspatriotsteaparty.org.

Wednesdays

Fresh Starts, Divorce Recovery Group: 6:30 p.m., Granbury FUMC Room #119, 301 Loop 567. Covers all stages of separation or divorce. All ages, faiths, denominations, beliefs, and ages welcome. There is no cost or pre-registration required. Childcare provided. For details, call (817) 573-5573.

Third Wednesdays

Master Gardeners meeting: 1:00-2:00 p.m.,

Hood County Annex 1 Meeting Room, 1410 W. Pearl St. For information, contact (817) 579-3280.

First Thursdays

Granbury Extension Education Club luncheon: 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Hood County Annex 1 Meeting Room, 1410 W. Pearl St. Monthly programs cover family and consumer science topics, and community service projects are planned. For information, contact Brianne Langdon, (817) 408-0746.

Second Thursdays

Special Needs Parent Support and Networking Group: 6:15-8:00 p.m., Lake Pointe Resource Center, 1921 Acton Hwy. Parents and professionals learn, connect and share in a caring, responsive and socially supportive setting. Free. Visit www.lakepointegranbury.com or call (817) 937-4332.

Third Thursdays

Diabetes Support Group: 6:00-7:00 p.m., Third Floor Bingo Room, Lakestone Terrace Retirement Community, 916 E. Hwy. 377. Free, facilitated meetings for those seeking information, inspiration and support for successfully living with diabetes. Call (817) 736-0668.

Second Saturdays

Girls Night Out: 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m., Granbury Town Square. Collect pink tickets for a \$100 Downtown Dollar Shopping Spree. The 2nd Saturday of each month with specials, trunk shows, wine, snacks and tons of fun. Visit Girls Night Out Facebook Page for details, special sales and promotions.

Last Saturdays

Last Saturday Gallery Night: 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m., Granbury Town Square. At least eight galleries support the monthly event, open until 8:00 p.m. "Meet the artists," receptions, demonstrations, hors d'oeuvres, wine & music. Visit Galleries of Granbury on Facebook Page for details.

Third Weekends

Saddle Bags Trade Daze: 8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m., 3636 W. Hwy. 377. Vendors welcome. No sales of animals except legitimate rescues. No sales of food or drinks without approval. Call Ernie Reynolds, organizer, (817) 894-8168.

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



What Is Rosacea?

— By Betty Tryon, BSN

Diana, Princess of Wales, celebrated for her loveliness, had a facial skin condition expertly hidden from the world. Rosacea didn't care if she was royalty. That diagnosis made her one of many with rosacea. This skin condition typically occurs in people over the age of 30, and fair skinned individuals are most susceptible.

Small blood vessels under the skin swell and cause your cheeks, forehead, chin and nose to have a reddened or flushed appearance. It can resemble an acne breakout, allergic reaction or other skin conditions. The redness may come and go. Over time the color deepens and becomes persistent with spider web-like veins appearing in the face. If rosacea isn't treated, symptoms will worsen with pimples and bumps appearing on the flushed skin. Another rare complication is called rhinophyma in which the skin thickens and causes the nose to appear larger with a bulbous effect reminiscent of the comedian, W.C. Fields.

Another complication from rosacea is ocular rosacea where the eyelids become inflamed and irritated. Styes may develop, and the eyes may feel gritty and look bloodshot.

The cause of rosacea has not been established but there are contributing factors that may precipitate or aggravate the condition. Familiar history can be a factor if a close relative has the condition. Possible abnormalities in the blood vessels in the face could cause the flushing in the skin. Females are more prone to this disorder, but males typically have the worst cases.

Triggers of rosacea can be anything that causes the blood vessels to increase flow to the surface of the skin. Hot drinks and caffeinated drinks, such as tea, coffee or caffeinated soft drinks may be culprits. Sunlight, spicy foods, exercise and even some medications can be triggers. Alcohol does not cause rosacea but can aggravate the condition.

At this time, there is no cure for rosacea, but there are avenues for relief. Treatment focuses on lessening the signs and symptoms. Medications used may be oral or topical in nature with the aim of reducing the inflammation and redness in the skin to bring symptoms under control. Laser treatment to shrink the blood vessels in the facial area may be used. Someone with the skin thickening from rosacea may seek help from a plastic surgeon. Those with this condition have to be diligent with personal care in applying sunscreen for protection and to prevent flare-ups, dressing appropriately for cold or windy weather and taking care to use gentle skin care products. Because of the varying degrees of symptoms and severity of this disease, let your physician guide your treatment plan for best results. 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.

Cooking NOW



In the Kitchen With Stacey Ramirez

— By Lisa Bell

Stacey Ramirez didn't study cooking, but he learned the joy of cooking for others about 20 years ago. "I needed a job, and the only thing I could find was in a little café in a small town," he shared. "The lady took one look at me and said, 'I will teach you. Don't worry.' She must have seen the fear in my face when she said I would be her new cook."

He likes trying new things and having fun. As the current bakery manager at Brookshire's, Stacey relishes learning to bake beside Millissa Evans while seeing his favorite people come into the store. He also enjoys having large barbecues for friends and family at his home. "If you come by and smell the grill fired up," he said, "come on over and we'll make beautiful food together."

Coleslaw Dressing

I cup Miracle Whip I cup sour cream I/2 cup sugar Cabbage, shredded, to taste

- **1.** Mix first 3 ingredients well.
- **2.** Pour over shredded cabbage; stir until blended and serve.

Zucchini Hotdish

5 slices bacon, raw 6 tomatoes (substitute a 16-oz. can instead of fresh if desired)
8 slices cheese (American or Velveeta)
1 medium onion
1/2 cup rice, uncooked
6 cups zucchini squash, unpeeled and sliced
1/8 tsp. pepper

- 1. Cut bacon strips in half.
- **2.** In a greased casserole dish, start by layering 1/2 of all ingredients like a lasagnatype dish.
- **3.** Repeat layers, but this time end with the bacon on top.
- **4.** Bake at 350 F for about an hour and 15 minutes, or until the squash is tender.

Pepper Corn Ranch Pasta

- 1 8-oz. bag macaroni pasta
- 1 pkg. bacon
- 1 bunch green onions
- 6 eggs, hard-boiled
- 1 8-oz. bottle Kraft Peppercorn Ranch Dressing
- **1.** Boil pasta according to package instructions; let cool.
- **2.** Dice the entire package of bacon and fry until crispy; set aside.
- **3.** After pasta cools completely, place in a large bowl and mix in the bacon.
- **4.** Chop up the green parts of the onions only; add to pasta mixture.
- **5.** Dice only the whites of the boiled eggs, and add them to pasta.
- **6.** Add about half the bottle of dressing and mix well. Chill until ready to serve. Just before serving, mix in additional dressing to reach a creamy consistency.

Hot Sandwiches

A Christmas holiday tradition that my grandma and mother used to make.

1 can Spam, ground 4 boiled eggs 1 green bell pepper 2 pickles 1/2 lb. cheese 1 onion Salt and pepper, to taste

Miracle Whip Salad Dressing, to taste I pkg. hamburger buns

- **1.** Dice and chop first 6 ingredients and put in a bowl.
- **2.** Add salt, pepper and Miracle Whip; mix well.
- **3.** Spread the mixture between top and bottom of a hamburger bun.
- **4.** Wrap the sandwich in aluminum foil; make sure the shiny side is on the inside toward the bun. Bake at 350 F for 20 minutes.

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