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Autumn is all about fall colors (both in fashion and home décor), football and the many festivals throughout Southeast Texas. In our newest section "Connecting to Our Community" we will go antique hunting in Lumberton. In Places of Interest, discover why Jasper is the "Jewel of the Forest." The 2014 Lamar Cardinals football season is underway and we'll tell you what to expect this season. Football season is tailgate season so we have some new tailgate recipes for you to try.

Southeast Texas was founded on the entrepreneurial spirit and we will introduce you to several local entrepreneurs, including Clayton Christopher of Sweet Leaf Tea and Deep Eddy Vodka and Jim King, creator of King of the Road Productions.

Fall includes several important dates to remember: Grandparents Day, September7th, Halloween, October 31st, Election Day, Tuesday, November 4th, Veteran's Day, November 11th and Thanksgiving Day, November 27th.

We encourage everyone to get out and vote, remember our veterans and give "thanks" for our families, friends and many blessings.



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A COLOR RUSH FOR A LIFESAVING CAUSE! By Holli Patersen **GIFT OF LIFE**

ace up to save lives with thousands of women, men and families who are making a difference... one step at a time. The 4th Annual Julie Richardson Procter 5K Ribbon Run Color Rush on Saturday, October 11 in Downtown Beaumont, will be a truly colorful experience that celebrates survivorship and raises awareness of the Gift of Life's educational awareness initiatives for breast, ovarian and other gynecological cancers.

Procter, an attorney, beloved Gift of Life board member and community activist, battled ovarian cancer with indomitable grace and courage. Refusing to be silenced by the disease that tragically took her life, she was passionate about conveying a message of early detection and education. Procter's legacy continues to impact generations of women through the Julie Richardson Procter Ovarian Cancer Educational Awareness Initiative, which was established by her husband, Beau. Medical professionals and thousands of other individuals annually receive cutting-edge information about the signs and symptoms of this devastating disease.

The fifth leading cause of cancer-related deaths among women and the deadliest of all gynecological cancers, ovarian cancer is difficult to detect, particularly in its early stages, when only 19% of the cases are diagnosed. Women need to

be aware of symptoms, such as bloating, pelvic or abdominal pain, as well as difficulty RUSH eating. Risk factors include genetic predisposition, a family history of breast, ovarian or colon cancer, increasing age and infertility. Also, it's important to note that Pap tests do not detect ovarian cancer.

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The Julie Richardson Procter Ovarian Cancer Educational Awareness Initiative complements the Gift of Life Breast Cancer Program, which provides awareness and education to promote the early detection of breast cancer. Thousands of Southeast Texans benefit from its lifesaving educational seminars, and nearly 2,300 women in need receive free Gift of Life breast exams and mammograms each year, as well as diagnostic services, nurturing support, treatment and follow-up care, as needed.

Just by lacing up your sneakers for the 4th Annual Julie Richardson Procter 5K Ribbon Run Color Rush on Saturday, October 11, you are truly making a difference.

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THE HISTORY OF CATTLE IN SOUTHEAST TEXAS

By Joy Wooley

The first cattle to arrive in North America came with the Spanish settlers who accompanied Christopher Columbus in 1493. These long horned Iberian cattle later became known as Longhorns. Beginning in 1519, the Spanish settlers traveled to Mexico in search of gold and other treasures. They brought the hardy Longhorns with them. The Longhorn cattle roamed wild for several years in Mexico until the early 1700s, when Franciscan missionaries began to build a chain of missions extending through the San Antonio River valley and out to the present city of Goliad, Texas. The Spanish explorers brought cattle on their overland voyages both as food on the hoof to sustain them during their travels and also as seed stock for settlers once having arrived at their destinations. It has been estimated that by 1860, four to six million wild,

long horned cattle could be found in Texas.

Southeast Texas was occupied by Indians and French trappers during the early 1700s. They had no interest in the wild Longhorn cattle due to the fact that these sturdy bovine had tough hides and would fight fiercely with their long deadly horns. After the French where defeated by the Spanish and had to give up the portion of land that would later be known as "the Louisiana Purchase," which included all of

Texas, the Spanish wanted to colonize the entire region.

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The Spanish settlers from San Antonio began rounding up and driving the Longhorn cattle to New Orleans. The Spanish Trace or Spanish Trail followed along what is known as old Highway 90 and in Beaumont as College Street. The cattle crossed the Neches river at Collier's Ferry and then again at the Sabine River. These cattle drives were the very first cattle drives recorded





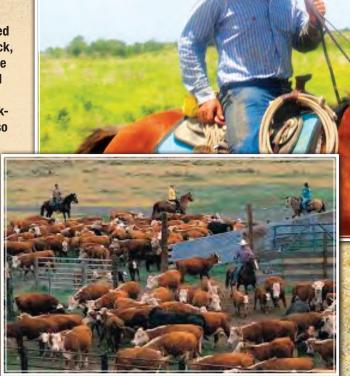


in America. In 1800, the French defeated the Spanish and regained control of the region and, in 1803, the United States

purchased the territory from France. When Mexico became independent from Spain, settlement by French, English, Mexican and other nationalities expanded in the region along the Neches River and present-day Beaumont. Tevis Bluff, now called Beaumont, had only three or four houses standing, but it was an important stopping point on the road from Louisiana to Orange and central Texas or to Galveston and the southern Gulf coast. Many of Jefferson County's early settlers were involved in the Texas revolt against Mexico which was resolved by General Sam Houston's victory at San Jacinto.

Beaumont was incorporated as a town in 1839. Livestock, timber, and cotton were the primary goods transported through Jefferson County. Several lumber or livestockrelated industries were also established before the Civil War, such as shipbuilding, barrel making, and tanning. **Texas cattle lead the** tanning and tallow industry both in the **United States and** overseas. Several sawmills dotted the shoreline of the **Jefferson County** and shingle making was an important "cottage" industry that could be practiced

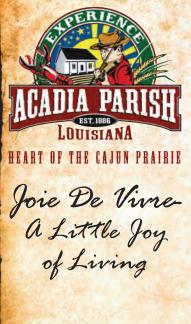
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part time by farmers to supplement their incomes. The ports of Beaumont and Orange were busy shipping these products. Southeast Texas became one of the richest, economically developed counties of the Texas Republic.

Cotton farming was never an important agricultural pursuit in Jefferson County. Livestock, corn, sweet potatoes, and rice were the primary products of the region's farms. Cattle were especially significant. Cattle were slaughtered locally or driven overland to markets in New Orleans. After the Civil War, Jefferson County's economy continued as before, focusing on livestock and timber as its principal products. Rebuilding of railroads, housing, and bridges during Reconstruction caused an increased demand for the County's vast timber resources. Many older sawmills were rebuilt and new ones established during the 1870s. Labor shortages were met by new immigrants from New England and foreign lands and Southeast Texas grew.

The great push for the United States to settle the West also increased the demand for cattle. The Texas Longhorns were the perfect cattle for the long cattle drives now headed west. Ranchers discovered that the Longhorns flourished during the long drives in spite of the lack of water and food. Cattle were now being sold by the pound instead of the head, so Texas cattlemen started cross breeding the Longhorns with beefier cattle. Brahman cattle were brought over, along with Herefords, to improve the Texas cattle. Today Southeast Texas has become the major breeding center for the American Brahman and cattle are the major livestock produced in this region.



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Just north of Beaumont on Highway 96 is the town of Jasper, Texas. Jasper is referred to as the "Jewel of the Forest" because of its rich heritage, quaint shops and breathtaking views of nature. It was founded in 1824 by John Bevil, one of the earliest settlers in the area. The community was originally called Snow River and Bevil's Settlement. But in 1835 John Bevil requested that the settlement be named Jasper, after William Jasper, an American Revolutionary hero who was killed while

attempting to plant the American flag at the Battle of Savannah in 1779.

Jasper County was one of the original 23 counties in the Republic of Texas in 1836 and the town of Jasper was named county seat in 1844. Jasper also boasts a fourteenacre complex featuring several park areas, the Arboretum, the Outdoor Learning Center, the Master Gardener Greenhouse, the Kiwanis

Children's Park, the historic Beaty-Orton House, built in 1888, and the Library Gardens, which contain a dry garden, a rose garden and a butterfly garden.

The first Saturday in October, Jasper hosts its annual Butterfly Festival in conjunction with the Chamber of Commerce's Fall Festival. The Butterfly Festival and Monarch butterfly release have earned Jasper the title of Butterfly Capital of Texas. Other events include a Farmer's Market and live entertainment, along with arts and crafts vendors on the courthouse square from 9 am to 4 pm. The Outdoor Learning Center hosts a variety of activities for kids and adults to celebrate the fall migration of the monarch butterflies. They have host scavenger hunts



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By Mike Simpson

with prizes, free kids' activities and several butterfly releases during the day.

The Honor and Remember Texas Chapter is also located in Jasper. Honor and Remember is a non-profit organization with an all-volunteer staff. Honor and Remember's focus is

to pay tribute and to honor our fallen Texas heroes. Each year "Run for the Fallen" is a 5k run, walk and stroll event to raise funds to help honor our fallen soldiers. This year's event will be October 18th. For more information, call 409-698-4089.

Jewel of the Forest

Lake Sam Rayburn is located just a few miles northwest of Jasper. It is the biggest reservoir within Texas borders. Lake Rayburn offers recreational activities including fishing, boating, waterskiing, wakeboarding and swimming. Additional activities include camping, birding, hiking and golf at nearby Rayburn Country. Lake Rayburn is home to the annual Big Bass Splash hosted by Sealy Enterprises. Big Bass Splash pays out \$1,000,000 in guaranteed cash and prizes exclusively for amateurs. Also located on Lake Rayburn is the John D. Parker East Texas State

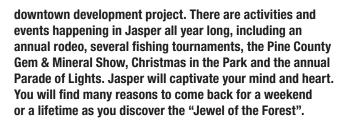


Fish Hatchery, named for the late John D. Parker of Lufkin who served as a Texas Parks and Wildlife Commissioner from 2003-2009 and who was instrumental in securing funding for the project. The facility replaces the 1932 Jasper Fish Hatchery and provides up to five million fingerlings, including largemouth bass, catfish, sunfish and forage fishes. The hatchery is located on a 200-acre site donated by Jasper County.

Located nearby is Martin Dies Jr. State Park on the B.A. Steinhagen Reservoir. Activities at Martin Dies also include canoe trips on the Angelina or Neches Rivers, boating, bicycle riding, rentals, and naturalist and outdoor educational events on weekends.

Toledo Bend Reservoir is on the Sabine River between Texas and Louisiana. The lake has an area of 185,000 acres and is the largest manmade body of water in the South. It is the fifth largest in the United States. Toledo Bend is located about thirty miles northwest of Jasper.

The residents of Jasper are excited about potential economic developments, including a newly approved









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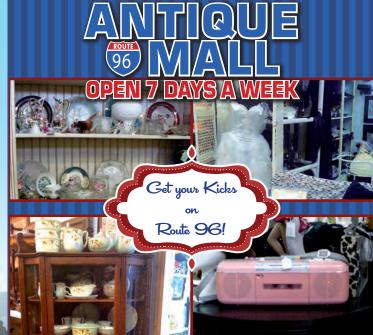
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With Backing Beauty FALL FOR FASHION 2014 By Michelle Fosha Armstrong

oodbye, swimsuits and flip flops and hello boots and jackets! I am always a bit sad to see the end of summer, but this year, I find the transition to be a bit easier due to the absolutely stunning trends of Fall 2014:

Get Cozy... Sweaters are almost like comfort food for the winter. And luckily, they are no longer confined to just the top half. Sweater dresses, jackets and pants have made quite the statement this season, as well as wild textures and modern, asymmetrical cuts.

Tip: If you wear an exaggerated chunky sweater, pair it with a fitted pant or skirt to keep the look neat and balanced.

Fur Frenzy... Coats and jackets are now a major fashion accessory, not just a necessity. This fall, they are adorned with faux fur and shearling - and in a plethora of colors, bold patterns and prints (yes, something other than black or brown). New silhouettes range from the oversized to slim-lined quilted to sportswear-inspired. *Tip: If you opt for a print or color blocked coat, make sure it compliments what you are wearing underneath.*

Luxe Leather... Leather is always a winter fav for jackets, but this season, it's gaining popularity in pants and skirts – and in various colors! Leather is a wardrobe staple, as the pieces are super versatile, ranging from sophisticated and sharply tailored to edgy and rocker. *Tip: Skip the jeans this season and pair leather pants with a simple top and ankle boots for a cool, but laid back look.*

Animalize... Animal prints are still on trend, but with a more refined, tamed look and neutral pattern. It's showing up in everything from pants to coats and dresses. Tip: If you prefer to just dabble in this look, invest in a purse or shoes with a hint of snake.







Garden Variety... Dark colors provide a winter backdrop

for the bright flowers, birds and other nature-inspired prints. Tip: Select a neutral top or bottom to wear with these graphic looks to tone down the look for day wear.

Sensible Chic... Taylored, polished pieces, such as v-neck sheath dresses, tailored jackets and wool trousers are taking the place of the sometimes impractical looks shown on the runway. Tip: If you prefer to add an edge,

throw on an eye-catching metallic bag or bold print scarf.

Spot On... Move over, monochrome. Color block, stripes and illusion prints (among other bold graphic designs) are showing up everywhere from sweaters to dresses! *Tip: Offset the strong visual* statement of these pieces by pairing with sleek pumps and minimal jewelry.

Mini Makeover... The miniskirt is getting a makeover this season in asymmetrical leather wraps and the 60's -inspired A-line (and if you don't like miniskirts, 60's -inspired dresses and accessories are also hot this season)!

Tip: If you want a more modest look, wear tights with the mini and/or knee-high boots.

Other trends for fall include oversized blazers, capes, velvet dresses, westerninspired clothing, modern plaid (especially in accessories) and tailored culottes (personally, I think I'm going to skip the culottes).

The color palette for fall has transitioned to earthy shades in 50 shades of "green" from hunter to sea foam and spruce. These hues are usually





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extremely flattering for all skin tones. Deep purple is also on trend and lends an air of luxury to any piece to which it adorns. Pastels are back again this fall, as well as bright, bold colors. Grays are also prevalent.

So let's talk about accessories:

Boots... Any height and heel goes! The classic tall boot is still immensely popular and short boots are a trend that is becoming a mainstay.

Shiny Things… All that glitters is not gold. Gleaming platinum and metals are

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Which fall approaching, let's remember that the vintage look is in. Remember the high waisted shorts and cut offs you saw during the summer? One thing I know for sure, we will see more of the "retro" style this fall in the form of hair accessories. Headbands are mostly worn on top of the hair, however you can get creative with this accessory by weaving or pulling some pieces of hair out to fall over the headband.

Neon pink, green, and orange are making a huge comeback and so will the scrunchies! Remember the eighties hair? This is eighties, but without the frizziness. Scrunchies will mostly be worn on top of the head, accentuated by a messy bun or braid.

Hair extensions, beads, feathers and jewelry are other ways to create unique hair styles for fall. Buns, braids and up-dos are proof that vintage is now the new look. Remember to have fun with it because there is no wrong way to accessorize your hair.



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here has been a lot of anticipation for the start of the 2014 season, ever since the final horn sounded to wrap up Lamar's record-setting 2013 campaign. The anticipation jumped to a whole new level August 3, as approximately 90 student-athletes officially reported to campus to begin fall workouts.

"This time of year is very exciting," said LU head coach Ray Woodard. "No matter how long you've been a coach, the beginning of fall camp never loses its excitement. Obviously, a lot was made of the records set last season, but that was last year. We are focused on 2014, and I think we have the opportunity to field our best team since bringing the program back."

A good majority of that excitement is centered on an offense that returns the heart of its lineup from a 2013 team that set nearly 50 team and individual records last season. Leading that offense is senior guarterback Caleb Berry, who is on pace to become the school's all-time leading passer. His 2013

season was the best year by a Cardinal guarterback in program history as Berry set single-season records for completions, passing yards, vards of total offense and touchdown passes. Lamar returns veteran receivers **Reggie Begelton (junior) and** senior Mark Roberts who set records of their own last season. Both big-play threats, Begelton led the Southland in receptions in 2013, while setting new single-season and singlegame records for receptions.



Roberts set the LU single-game mark for touchdown catches. Sophomore Kade Harrington returns from a rookie season that saw him earn 2013 SLC Freshman of the Year honors, and Freshman All-America recognition. Harrington destroyed a 62-year old school record by rushing for 880 yards last season. Berry will be protected by a front line that returns three of five starters from last season.

Defensively, the Cardinals have the task of replacing nine starters. Despite the numbers Lamar is facing due to attrition, the Cardinals' defense is not without experience. Several of the players LU is counting on this season earned starts throughout the 2013 campaign, including sophomore Omar Tebo. In addition, former SLC Newcomer of the Year, Kevin Johnson, has made the move from receiver to safety which could be a key addition to the Lamar defense. He already enters the season expected to be one of the nation's top return men.



Much of the momentum entering the season has been centered on the preseason honors garnered by several LU players. In addition to the preseason All-America recognition Johnson has

> received. seven Cardinals have been named to preseason award watch lists for their respective positions. Several more Cardinals have been named to numerous preseason allconference teams as well.

"The growth and maturity of this program is to the point now where we have returning players who have been seen by other coaches and media relations directors and our kids are receiving respect for their play on

the field," said Woodard. "We knew that would come with time. I think everyone is really beginning to see that, and our current players want to raise the bar even higher." — Lamar



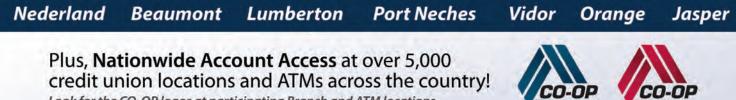
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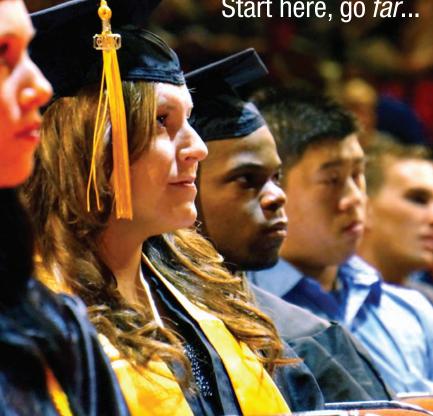
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By Joy Wooley

t happens every year at this time, the great phenomenon that sweeps the nation. It is "Friday Night Fever" otherwise known as High School Football, and there is no known cure. It starts out low grade in the hallways of the local schools then reaches a fever pitch at the Friday pep-rally. By 7 pm Friday night, it is full blown.

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High school football is the most personal and up close experience of football games that people can enjoy especially in small towns. In the small town high schools, the entire student body is involved, including the teachers, the band, the cheerleaders, the Year Book Club, the school press, and the boosters. These are the sons and daughters of the locals and the locals come out in groves to show support.

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Outdoors & Sports Tri-City Corvette Club: Two Local Car Shows! By Joy Wooley

t's autumn and perfect weather for a car show. This fall, the Tri-City Corvette Club of Southeast Texas will participate in two big car shows. The first one will be at the Texas Pecan Festival on September 18th, at Lions Park in Groves. The second show will be the Texas Style Cool Autumn Nites Car show October 17th through October 19th. This car show will be held downtown in Beaumont. Both shows promise to give auto enthusiasts the thrills they like.

The Tri-City Corvette Club will feature fifty to sixty Corvettes at the shows, ranging from classic Vets to brand new models. The club will also be available to answer questions about their Corvettes as well as their club. Nothing beats the sight of sixty shinny Corvettes cruise'n down a highway in a convoy or all in a line at a car show. So rev your engines and cruise to the car shows of Southeast Texas and see the collection of these beautiful Vets.

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n the summer time, curb appeal is relatively straightforward in keeping your yard and surroundings looking green and manicured. Once the cold weather comes, we tend to retreat into our homes and forget about curb appeal. Whether you are trying to sell your home or wanting your grounds to stay looking neat, curb appeal is important all year around. You can still have a yard to be proud of by using these simple tips to create curb appeal throughout the cooler season.

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- 1. Pay attention to your lawn: Once your lawn goes dormant in the fall season, the grass may not need to be cut that often, but it still needs attention. Removing weeds and edging can be done monthly to keep the lawn looking neat. Rake fallen leaves and turn them into mulch for flower beds.
- Prune shrubs and trees: This is the time to prune your shrubbery and trees before the dead cold winter sets in. This also gets rid of dead branches and the debris that often fall to the ground during colder windier weather.
- 3. Bring color to your exterior: In Southeast Texas, there are many varieties of flowers that flourish during this time of year. Check with your local home improvement store or nursery to see which ones grow best in this area. Repaint your front door in one of the new fall colors, oranges or reds. Hang a colorful wreath on your front door. Rubber mulch, pine bark or rocks are another way to add visual interest and color.







EXISTING-HOME SALES REACH RECENT HIGHS

By Peggy Patenaude

xisting-home sales reached an annual pace of five million sales for the first time since October 2013, according to data recently released by the National Association of REALTORS®. In addition to the heightened existing-home sales, rising inventory continued to move the housing supply forward signaling a strengthened and more balanced market.

Lawrence Yun, NAR chief economist, says housing fundamentals are moving in the right direction. "Inventories are at their highest level in over a year and price gains have slowed to much more welcoming levels in many parts of the country. This bodes well for rising home sales in the upcoming months as consumers are provided with more choices," he says.

Total housing inventory rose 2.2 percent of existing homes available for sale. The median existing-home price for all housing types was \$223,300, which marks the 28th consecutive month of year-over price gains.

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OLAYTON OLTRISTOPHIER.

By Mike Simpson



he greatest " rewards come to those that embrace risk and drive forward with passion to achieve their goal." This is a direct quote from **Clayton Christopher**, founder of Sweet Leaf Tea and co-founder of Deep Eddy Vodka. Clayton is a Beaumont native, his father Todd Christopher was a successful entrepreneur in Southeast Texas; since his early childhood Clayton seemed to know he would run his own company someday.

Clayton founded Sweet

Leaf Tea in 1998 in Beaumont, TX, using \$10,000, a matching grant from his Dad, and his grandmother's recipe for homebrewed iced tea made with cane sugar. He was inspired to his own bootstrap upbringing, fueled by "very humble beginnings" and an entrepreneurial father, gave him the determination to embrace the risks and keep moving forward, no matter how many "no's" he encountered.

As the company grew, Clayton relocated Sweet Leaf Tea to Austin. He started adding new flavors and began to grow his distribution to include convenience stores, grocery stores and major chains. With the success Clayton wanted to "give something back" to help others. About that time he got to meet one of his personal heroes, Jerry Greenfield, co-founder of Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream. When Greenfield was in Austin, he made a visit to Sweet Leaf Tea and while visiting with Clayton, he explained that one of Ben & Jerry's great joys was making philanthropic donations to their favorite charities. Clayton was so excited he picked up the phone and called Big Brothers Big Sisters and offered financial assistance, and then he called the Susan G. Komen Foundation and offered to assist them as well.

In March 2009, Nestlé Waters North America invested \$15.6 million in the company and purchased the rest of the company in 2011.

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create the business after returning from a road trip through Alabama and Mississippi, where he enjoyed homemade iced tea that the local restaurants served but he could not find bottled tea on the market that tasted like homemade iced tea. So Clayton decided to make a bottled tea as tasty as the one his grandmother Mimi used to make.

In 1999, Christopher's childhood friend David

> Smith joined him at the company. Early production consisted of brewing tea in crawfish pots in the kitchen, using pillow cases as "tea bags" and using garden hoses to transport the tea to plastic bottles.

"It was the classic startup on a shoestring budget," Christopher reminisces of the early days. "There were so many times that I thought we were that close to going out of business." Luckily for Clayton Christopher,





After the sale, **Christopher and Chad** Auler, the founder of Savvy Vodka founded Deep Eddy Vodka in 2010. Their concept was to offer the first sweet tea vodka made from real brewed tea leaves. Deep Eddy is handcrafted in a state of the art distillery in Austin, Texas. Since their inception, Deep



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Eddy has sourced as many ingredients from Texas as they possibly can, including local, real ingredients such as Texas corn, clover honey, black tea, and Texas aguifer spring water. Deep Eddy Sweet Tea Vodka is distilled 10 times which gives it a smooth, clean taste. It is also gluten free. Deep Eddy Vodka was given a 5 Star rating by Vodka Buzz.

Since its initial inception, Deep Eddy has added new flavors including their Deep Eddy Sweet Tea. Deep Eddy Ruby **Red Vodka and Deep Eddy** Cranberry, Deep Eddy Ruby Red Vodka is a grapefruit infused vodka, infused with real Rio Grande Valley ruby red grapefruit

juice sweetened and with no artificial flavorings. Deep Eddy Cranberry is the newest release for Deep Eddy. It is made from real New England cranberries

When asked what prompted him to flavor Deep Eddy Vodkas, Clayton responded, "I infused my vodkas because there was an unmet consumer need in this space. There were no flavored vodkas on the market that were made with the real fruit

juice. So Deep Eddy could easily disrupt and redefine this category by providing the consumer a truly unique product."

Clayton was asked how Deep Eddy Sweet Tea Vodka came about and how did its name come about? "I always enjoyed mixing Chad Auler's Savvy Vodka with Sweet Leaf Tea, and when Chad and I tasted the sweet tea vodkas on the market. we just knew we could do better." "Deep Eddy Vodka is named after Deep Eddy swimming hole in Austin, which is the oldest spring fed pool in Texas. I think the swimming hole

is a good representation of the wholesome good times and outdoor lifestyle that Deep Eddy Vodka embraces. Also Chad and I both cherish many great childhood memories from Deep Eddy swimming hole. So there is nostalgia there also!"

In just four short years, Deep Eddy Sweet Tea Vodka is the #1 selling sweet tea vodka in Texas. Deep Eddy is distributed in 48 states and targeting nation-wide availability by the end of 2014. Clayton is very proud of the success and the organization that has evolved.

> Clayton is also involved in a new venture, High Brew Coffee with his Beaumont childhood friend, David Smith. High Brew is 100% all natural cold-brewed coffee founded in Austin, **Texas: High Brew Coffee is made from 100%** certified fair trade arabica beans. High Brew Coffee is only 60 calories per can.

Clayton Christopher is from Southeast Texas. His family legacy is strong here and Clayton is representing his heritage proudly. He says, "I would have never made it without the

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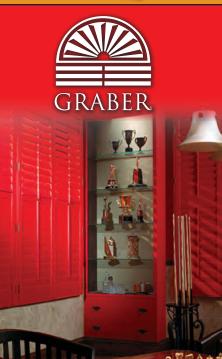
The main goal of using color is to give a room a new look. Turning away from the neutral palette is a great way to add spirit to a space and give things their own personality. When using high intense colors like red, yellow or orange, a little goes a long way. Here are some tips for pulling it off:

- 1. Deep red walls do more than just add color, they create a mood that brings down the brightness of the surroundings, providing a feeling of being encompassed by the room. They also set neutral furniture off.
- 2. The trick with working with sunshiny-bright yellow is selecting upholstery and accessories to match the walls. Find a painting or a floral piece or patterned chintz that combines different bright colors and use that as a guideline.
- 3. Not all strong colors are stimulating. Forest-green walls can blend beautifully with mahogany furniture and the contrasting colors are comfortable because they're found in nature.
- 4. Dark colors recede. When a room is painted a dark to medium color, the color will actually make the room look larger rather than bringing the walls in.
- 5. You don't need to commit to painting the walls intense shades to have a room all about color. Add the pop of color with pillows, vases, art or lamps. The secret is to have all the accessories in the same color.
- 6. When in doubt about a color, don't limit yourself

to small color chips. Paint big sheets of cardboard and prop them up in the room in question. This gives you a better idea of what it's going to look like.







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Go Your Health SEASONAL ALLERGIES...HOW TO TREAT SEASONAL ALLERGIES By Daniel More, MD

What are Seasonal Allergies? A seasonal allergy is an allergic reaction to a trigger that is typically only present for part of the year, such as spring or fall. This type of allergy refers to a pollen allergy, such as trees,



weeds and grasses. Perennial allergies, on the other hand, are usually present year-round, and include allergens such as pet dander and house dust mite. Molds can be a seasonal or perennial allergy trigger. Seasonal allergies are also often referred to as hay fever.

Symptoms of seasonal allergies include sneezing, runny nose, nasal congestion, itching of the nose, and post-nasal drip. Not all people experience all of the symptoms of hay fever, and in some people, only one symptom will predominate. It may be difficult to tell the difference between seasonal allergies and the common cold, and only an allergist may be able to tell the difference. Weed pollens are the main causes of seasonal allergies in the late summer and early fall. Depending on the area



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of North America, these weeds include ragweed, sagebrush, pigweed, tumbleweed and cocklebur. In Southeast Texas/ Southwest Louisianan, ragweed is the main culprit.

The best way to treat seasonal allergies is to avoid going outside during high pollen days or to wear a respirator if you do go out. Wear long pants, long sleeve shirts and respirator when mowing the lawn. Drink plenty of water and clean nose daily with an OTC nasal spray. See your Doctor if nasal drip changes from clear to cloudy since this could indicate early signs of a sinus infection.

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Cooking Up Viva Traditions SWEET POTATOES ALSO CALLED YAMS

By Maureen E. Swaby-Samuels

Sweet potato is a staple that is grown in several countries in the world including the USA. There are several varieties of the staple presently grown here. The three most commonly grown ones are white, yellow or deep orange when cooked. Sweet potatoes are extremely versatile and are consumed in many ways. The potato can be eaten by simply peeling away the skin and boiling with a pinch of salt. It can be diced, boiled and used to make a sweet potato salad. It can be added to soup to help enhance the flavor, in the meantime adding body to the soup.

Another very popular way to use the sweet potato is to make a 'candied' dish. In fact this is a holiday delight for most families at Thanksgiving. The sweet potato could also be blanched, that is after peeling and putting the slices in a pot of boiling water for about five minutes, they are quickly removed and paced in some cold water. These blanched pieces of sweet potato having been properly drained can be fried lightly. Sweet potatoes can be baked as a whole. Usually, a really large size potato is ideal for baking. After peeling the baked potato, it could be eaten as is or by adding a little butter. To be used as a snack the sweet potato could be peeled, sliced thinly and deep fried. Sweet potato chips are delectable and are always a welcome treat included in family gatherings, business meetings and any other social event. Sweet potato fries are all the rage at most fast food places.

Added to all the uses mentioned above, are sweet potato pudding and sweet potato pie. You need boiled and mashed sweet potatoes for the making of either one of these culinary delights. Like most things there are several variations of the sweet potato pudding. Among these are, sweet potato with yellow yam and cornmeal, sweet potato with cornmeal and flour, or sweet potato with coco. The real delight about the pudding is the combination of creamy coconut milk, with sugar, cinnamon, and vanilla with the mashed sweet potato. The actual baking is no less delightful as the aroma which fills the air surely triggers all the excitement needed to get the taste buds going and the digestive juices in a state of anticipation.

As for sweet potato pie, it is very similar to pumpkin pie. This mouthwatering delight is served in restaurants, sold in corner shops, school canteens, and dozens of pastry shops all through the South and is a longtime favorite pastry to serve during the Fall holidays in Southeast Texas.







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- 2. In small bowl, stir together blue cheese and mayonnaise. In a separate bowl, whisk together melted butter and 2 ½ Tbs. Tabasco
- 3. In another bowl, mix ground beef, remaining 2 ½ Tbs. Tabasco, salt and pepper. Form beef mixture in 12 (1" thick) small patties poking a small hole in the middle of each patty; brush each one with some of Tabasco butter.
- 4. Place patties on grill. Close cover and cook about 5 minutes. Flip over the patties and brush with Tabasco butter. Cook about 3 to 5 minutes more. Remove patties and let rest off grill while toasting buns.
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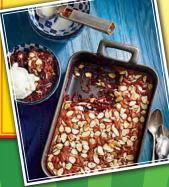
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Ingredients:

1 1/2 cups of semisweet chocolate morsels 1/2 cup butter 3/4 cup granulated sugar

4 large eggs



1 cup all-purpose flour 1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon 1/4 tsp. baking powder 1/4 tsp. ground red pepper 1/4 tsp. ground chipotle chile pepper 1/2 tsp. salt, divided 1/2 cup sliced almonds 2 tsp. olive oil 1 tsp. light

brown sugar

Instructions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°. Place chocolate and butter in a large microwave-safe bowl and microwave on high 1 to 1 1/2 minutes or until melted. Stir at 30-second intervals. Whisk in granulated sugar. Add eggs one at a time, whisking just until blended after each addition. Whisk in flour, next 4 ingredients, and 1/4 tsp. salt
- 2. Pour batter into a buttered 2-qt. baking dish. In a small bowl, mix almonds, oil, brown sugar and 1/4 tsp. salt. Sprinkle almond mixture over the cake batter. Bake at 350° for 30 minutes. (Center will be soft.) Cool on a wire rack 5 minutes and serve warm. Yield is 6 servings. Hint: Goes good with a scoop of ice cream.

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Winemaker Profile by Texas Wine Lover



Robert Nida is the winemaker at Compass Rose Cellars. Compass Rose is one of the more recent wineries in the Texas Hill Country Wineries and, with a new tasting room located in Hye. Robert Nida is ready to show off his winemaking skills. Robert

answered our questions about his background and winemaking.

Q: What's the greatest part about being a winemaker? A: The greatest part of being a winemaker is the community that makes up the industry. No matter where you go in the industry you find the same type of people. They are all open and willing to share information and experience and, at the same time we all know how to relax when we are together.



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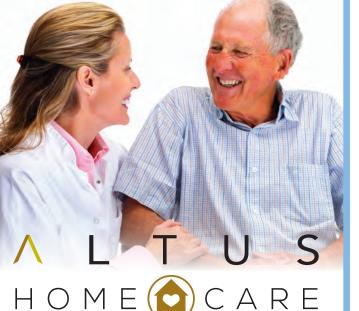
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Oct. 22nd 2014

Pink Parade 2:30 pm • Baptist Hospital Colleage St • Beaumont, TX

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Where Scott and Kayla Fisher have brought a new restaurant to Southeast Texas, Green Light Kitchen. Located at 350 Pine Street in Edison Plaza (Entergy Building), they are open Monday thru Friday from 7 am to 5 pm for breakfast and lunch. The new facility places emphasis on local flavors using the very freshest of ingredients, thanks to the unique Urban Cultivator, the first of its kind in the Central US. The Urban Cultivator allows the owners to create dishes using greens and herbs harvested just moments before the dish is presented to the guest. You can eat in or "grab and go". Menu items have options for carnivores, vegetarians and gluten free eaters.

The Green Light Kitchen owners, Scott and Kayla also hope to feature local artists on a quarterly basis in the restaurant, bringing culture to your dining experience. The restaurant features some of the local products made by Southeast Texans such as jam, honey, breads, macaroons and spice rubs.

For the "freshest" eating in town go by Green Light Kitchen and give your taste buds an experience to a whole new level.



Gall Gales & Short Grips By Ms. Lynn

hen I was growing up in the fifties and sixties we spent our Sundays at church in the morning, then lunch at my grandparents' home and, right after lunch, we would take a trip up the country to visit all the other kinfolk. It was on the wrap-around porch of Maw and Paw's old pine log cabin, where my cousins and I learned about our family history and listened to folk lore and tall tales mixed with truth. I recall the stories about wolves, big black bears and panthers roaming in the very woods that surrounded Paw's old homestead. Each man tried to tell a bigger tale than the other about his encounter with on of the beasts. We small children sat in rapt attention with wide eyes wondering if the stories were true or not. After all, according to the Texas Parks and Wildlife, wolves, black bears and panthers no longer existed in Southeast Texas. I concluded that the wink from Daddy meant that the old men where in fact just pulling our legs.

As I grew up, I learned to appreciate my family and its traditions even more. One such tradition was, and still is hunting. Most Southeast Texans hunt. After all, this part of the country is rich in game. My favorite is squirrel hunting and some of my fondest memories of my Papaw involved the times we went hunting together.

One crisp early Saturday morning in October, 1965, Daddy,

Papaw and I drove to a heavy wooded area just south of Buna down an old logging road to hunt for squirrel. We were 'still' hunting, since most of the leaves had not yet fallen and one could walk through the woods without making too much noise. We wore hunting jackets, which contained extra ammo, snacks and our thermos bottles. All three of us were hunting with shot guns.

Daddy cut a trail through the thick brush while Pap and I watched for any movement in

the tall trees. As soon as one of us spotted movement we would ease our way to the area. The cool air made the squirrels frisky and wanting to play squirrel tag, which meant that we could sneak up on them for the kill.

I was the first one to kill a squirrel that day. Then we went further into the dense woods where both Papaw and Daddy each got one. Daddy shot another one, but lost it in a slough.





We hunted for another hour until we came across several squirrels in a tree. All three of us shot, but in the end only Daddy got one.

Pap noticed we were in a nice little clearing that would make a good place to field dress the squirrels, clean up and have our noon meal. That was fine with me, since I was getting tired and hungry. The field dressing

took no time for Daddy and Pap to complete. They cleaned up and soon we were sitting on a fallen tree, digging into the snack sack of goodies Mother had packed with bread, Vienna sausages, nuts, tangerines and Oreo cookies for us.

Pap and Daddy shared a thermos of black coffee while I sipped from a small thermos of hot cocoa. Daddy made a Vienna sausage sandwich for me.



We finished our sandwiches and then dove into the cookies. If I live to be a hundred, I will never forget the sound that suddenly pierced our ears. It was a scream like none I have ever heard. It sounded like a woman screaming in intense pain. The birds stopped chirping and the surrounding woods became so quiet we could hear something walking towards us. The scream was now to the right of us but the rustling was to the left. I was scared. Daddy and Pap eased the safety off their guns. Papaw whispered in a low voice that a panther, possibly two, were stalking us. They smelled the squirrels we shot. Pap told us since there appeared to be two panthers, they had to be young and hopefully too inexperienced to attack. We waited for what seemed an eternity before the young panthers moved on. Daddy said we should leave before they changed their minds and came back.

Black panthers of Southeast Texas are members of the big cat family but just a little smaller than a mountain lion. The largest recorded Black Panther killed from the Big Thicket area weighed 277 pounds. They are nocturnal but have been known to hunt in the daytime. Their only known predators other than man, are the black bear and large alligators. Thought to be extinct in Southeast Texas since the fifties a black panther was spotted in August of 2013 in the Big Thicket area. (see photo)

I will never forget our close encounter with the two young panthers that October day.





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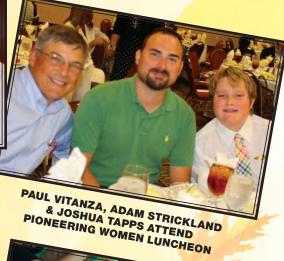
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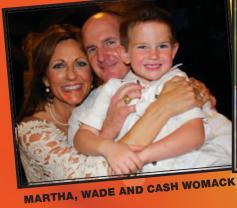
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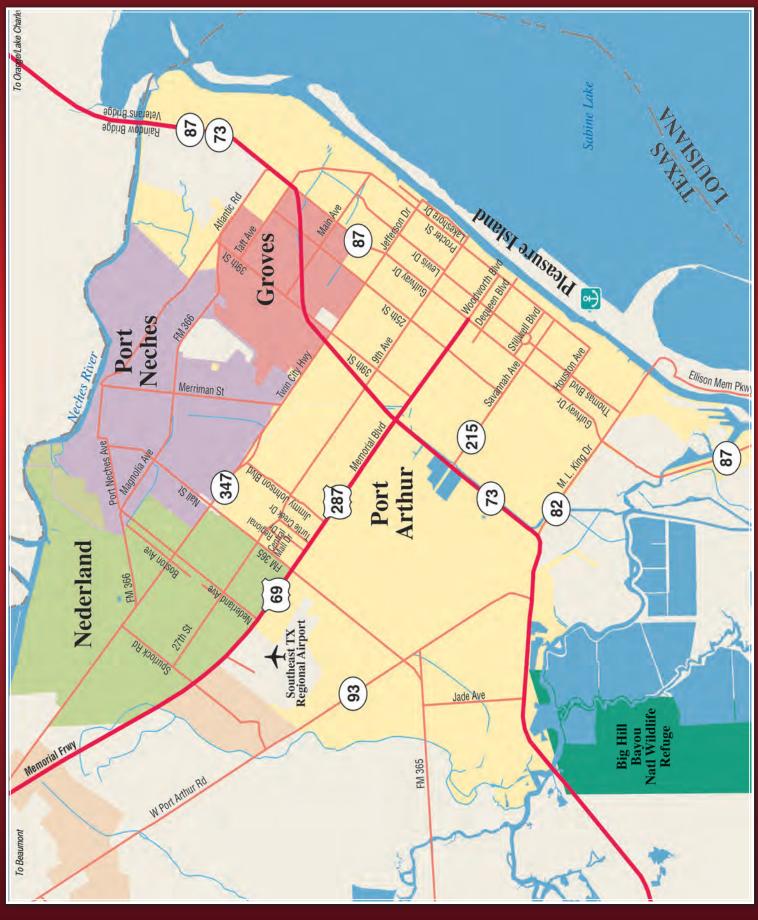


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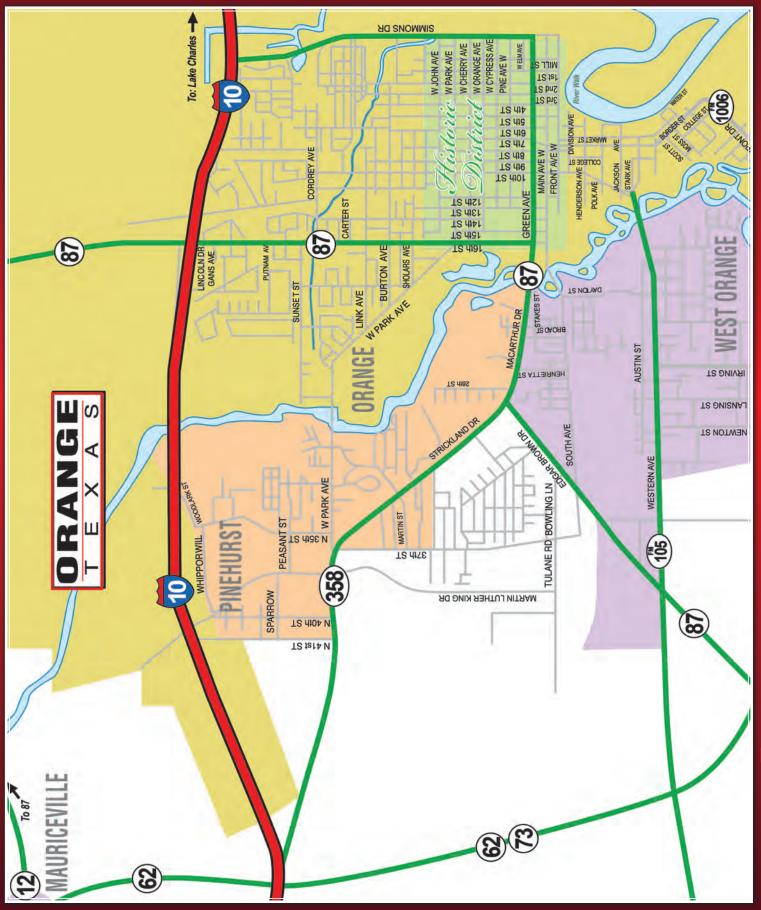


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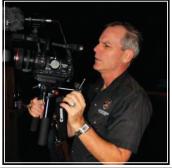
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JIM KING IS "KING OF THE ROAD!"

KING OF THE ROAD

By Viva Southeast Texas

In the mid-'90s I decided to separate myself from all the other air personalities, so I came up with my 'King of the Road' bit. I started taking my tape recorder to area events and did little interviews with the local people and celebrities that I met around the area," King said. "I edited the tape and made fun little 'King of the Road' bits for my radio show. It wasn't long after that when I came up with my 'crown-boy' hat, a crown over the cowboy hat. That's how it all began and I've been doing it ever since."

Today Jim King is host, producer and creator of the King of the Road Show HD that airs Saturday nights at 9:30 pm and Thursdays at 6:30 am on Fox 4 KBTV. It

also airs on Sundays at 12 noon on The CW. The show was launched in July 2006 and, except for a couple of hurricanes, it has aired every week since then with over 420 episodes.

The King of the Road Show is an entertainmentbased program specializing in live music that spotlights dozen of area local artists during the exclusive Local Licks segments. King of the Road Productions also captures exclusive interviews and concert footage with many established stars, including several of Beaumont's favorite sons, such as Johnny and

Edgar Winter, George Jones, Mark Chesnutt, Tracy Byrd, and Clay Walker. They also frequently feature local businesses with their Business Profile segments. King has been host and producer of "King of the Road's Annual Christmas TV Special" from the historic McFaddin-Ward House in Beaumont for the past five consecutive years. The special airs several times every Christmas day on Fox 4 KBTV. Jim is also co-owner (with fellow radio veteran Mickey Ashworth) of King's Country Internet Radio at www.kingscountry.net

Jim King has received many awards from his peers in media, including 15 Press Club of Southeast Texas Excellence in Media Awards for his TV, radio and internet projects. Those awards include Radio Personality of the Year for 4 consecutive years (2011 to 2014) for the 'King of the Road Radio Show' airing on King's Country Internet Radio at www.kingscountry.net. Two of King's biggest honors, were winning the 1997 Oklahoma Association of Broadcasters Radio Personality of the Year award, and becoming a finalist for the National Association of Broadcasters Small Market Radio Personality of the Year





(Marconi Award) in 1999. Al Caldwell and King are the only Southeast Texas radio personalities to have received this honor. When asked about future goals, King said, "To continue growing King of the Road Productions and the King of the Road Show HD and, eventually, to expand into other nearby markets, such as Lake Charles, Lufkin, College Station, etc. I would also like to make additional national television appearances like the episode I did on the Cooking Channel's 'Log On & Eat with Eden Grinshpan,' which debuted in November 2013. I've received a couple of phone calls from other New Your-based producers recently about the possibility of starring in my own reality show. Nothing has materialized yet, but stay tuned!"



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