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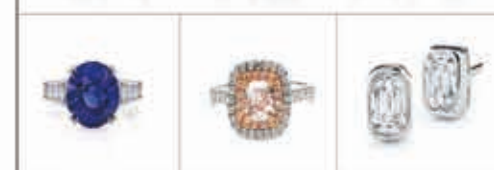


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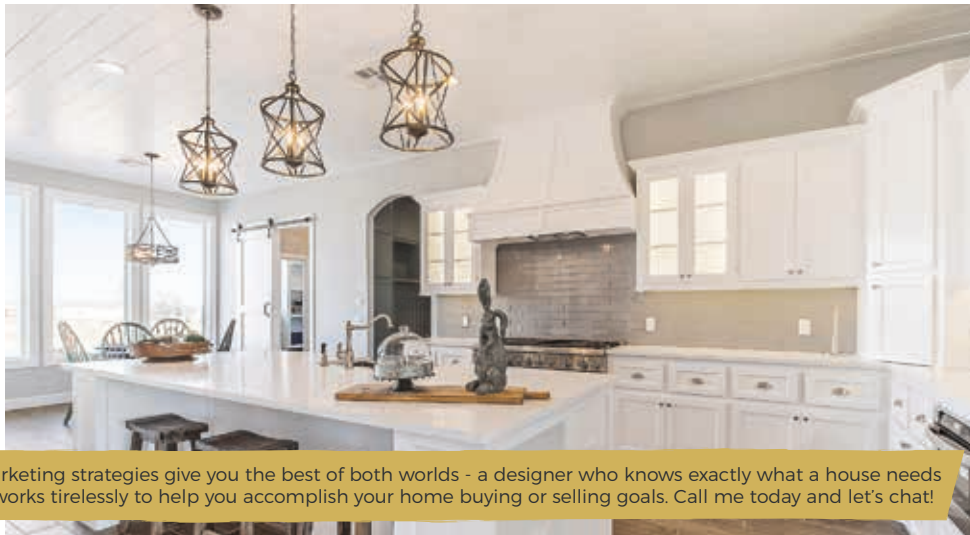
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This Month,
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Laine Weis is passing the Athletic
Accolades torch to her younger brother
because she is headed off for college to attend the
University of Chicago. Way to go, Laine! We will
miss you. But, you're gonna FLY!

Hello Serrano,

How's the summer been treating you so far? Hopefully you are falling back into the NORMAL routine of things...whatever normal is by now! It's been hard for me to keep the pace. As soon as the planet opened back up, it's been a WHIRLWIND! I feel like the world is spinning so fast and I'm about a half a beat behind. I've been wondering about it lately, though. Maybe COVID just taught me what is important in my life, and what I need to feel fulfilled. Maybe I'm not willing to give that up for anyone or anything and I've learned to 'let it go' a little more. Who knows? We'll just go with it!

We had our FIRST THL EVENT since the pandemic hit. Sienna of El Dorado Hills hosted about 50 guests, and we spent a memorable evening together! We had so much fun seeing and connecting with neighbors and friends. And, the HUGGING... let's just say we were making up for lost time. If you weren't there, you missed a CELEBRATION!

A special THANK YOU to owners Mark & Karoline Platt for taking such amazing care of us. Managers Mark Fucci and Fernando Farias served a delicious buffet for our guests. Servers Jacqueline Knight and Kristie Fauci also did an excellent job of managing drink orders for our Serrano crowd. Fabulous job, guys! WE LOVE YOU, Sienna!

Nicole Davidson, realtor, mom, (Wonder Woman), is one of the kindest, most driven, creative, huge-hearted and fearless people I have met. I knew that about her after spending an hour in her presence and hearing her story. Meet Nicole and her two kids in our 'This is Us' article. You're just gonna LOVE them! As you're thumbin' through the pages, don't miss Step by Step, Paso a Paso's 'Year-End Celebration!' I recognized a lot of you in the photos. See who you might know. Closet Choreography's Jennifer Sattler has some important fashion tips you don't wanna miss! Study up ladies to get your summer fashion poppin'! Don't get any ideas about Latte the pup! He's NOT available for adoption. He's the Gottschalk family COVID-19, 2020 miracle of happiness! Isn't he cute? Designer Todd Peddicord created an inspirational but casual space for Serrano residents Marty & Joyce DiPietro. And guess what? They've shared their home with THL this month! Todd's attention to detail, combining his clients' desired style/feel, their life experiences and their interests, while bringing the 'outdoors in' is STUNNING. I'm a FAN, Todd! We're traveling to the southernmost tip of the Continental United States with Russ & Melissa Quade this month. Can YOU guess where they vacationed? I don't know about any of you, but Scott and I are baking Geneva's Poke Cake for Fourth of July. It looks so festive and delicious! Thanks for sharing, girl!



There might be more surprises on the pages to come, but you know the drill, Serrano. You'll have to read on to find them!

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Jenny



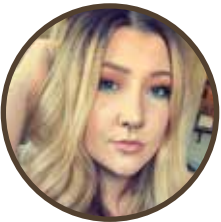
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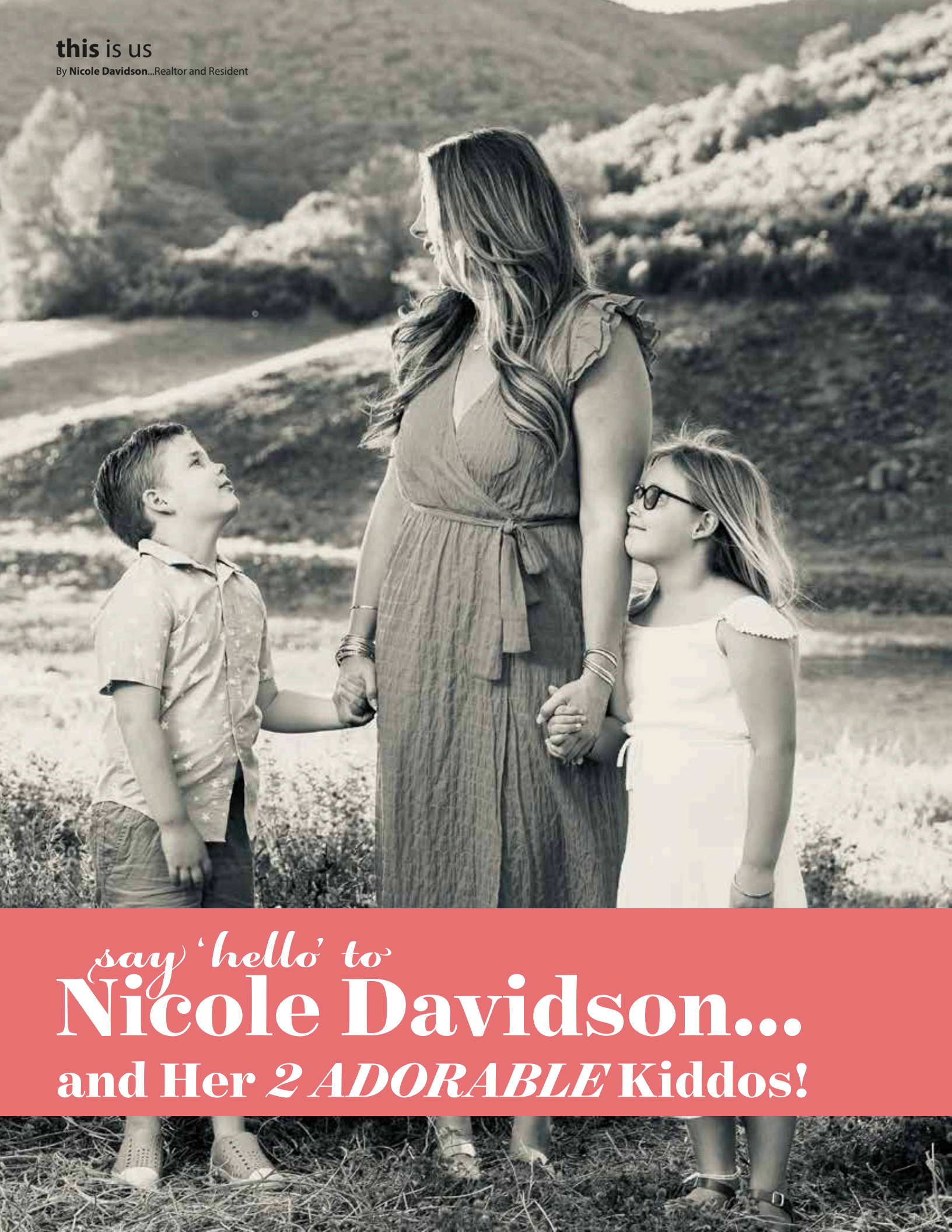
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Do you have any family traditions? My kids are 11 months and three weeks apart so for six days of the year, they are the same age. We call it “twin week” and celebrate by going to the Purple Place for a sundae and a couple other fun things. We celebrate half birthdays and full birthdays with one-on-one time after school, bowling and going out to eat. Basically, we are always looking for a reason to have more fun!

I have always felt like Christmas was a huge amount of buildup for a day or two of chaos so I switched it up. Now, I let the kids open one present per day leading up to the holiday and we actually play with the toys and enjoy the process, saving one big present for Christmas Eve. On Christmas morning, we wake up early and make what my family refers to as Freuden. My Grandmother made this every year and it’s my turn to carry the torch. I haven’t yet succeeded in making a half batch so I’m always giving away leftovers. I’ve been told it is a German tradition, passed down through my family for generations. It is a dough made with cardamom and raisins, fried in a cast iron Ebelskiver pan, then dipped in spun honey or sugar. Its definitely an acquired taste!

Every April and October we go to Camp Richardson in Tahoe. That is absolutely my favorite time of year up there, with no crowds, plenty of sunshine and no snow. Then on Labor Day (the actual day) we go to Epic Discovery at Heavenly. Lake Tahoe is a happy place for my family.

What college/university did you attend? Chapman University in Orange, CA. My dad actually tried to bribe me not to go because of the cost and it turned out not to be for me,



anyway. I did rush for the sororities with the actress who played Stephanie on Full House. I managed to wreak havoc on the fraternities by stealing a flag from their living room during a party and then tormenting them by taking pictures of the flag around town and sending the photos to them. It was a huge scandal and they thought the sororities were to blame...so funny!

I graduated from Cal State East Bay because I came home to support my mom who was battling breast cancer. She is doing well now, thank God! Returning to Northern California changed the trajectory of my life and led me to a decade-long career in software. So, in retrospect, it was a very good decision. I ended up returning there to serve as Director of Operations and Technology before I left to pursue Real Estate in El Dorado County! ...



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Where are you originally from?

Iowa, Kentucky, Indiana, Texas and California before I was 10 years old. No, I'm not a military brat. My family followed my father around as he was endlessly headhunted and promoted. I spent most of my life in Danville, California, so I definitely feel like a California girl. I had no idea how good I had it while growing up in Danville. I couldn't wait to leave, but once I was gone, I was like, "Oooooohhhh...it is a beautiful place."

How long have you lived in this neighborhood?

I've lived in El Dorado Hills since 2016. We moved here as a family when my father retired. He hounded me to move for a couple years and when I finally agreed, it was a mere 21 days before we were both fully relocated! At first I was in a big, beautiful house in Springfield Meadows with an acre of land and a creek. When I got divorced, I fell in love with another neighborhood which was more centrally located. I downsized dramatically and love this sweet place.

What do you like to do to relax?

My favorite thing to do is wake up before the rest of the world...sit in my hammock outside with my coffee and listen to the world wake up around me. I love the stillness and the crispness of the air and the clarity of a peaceful moment. Sometimes I journal, sometimes I just look at the fifteen coastal redwoods in my backyard, and listen to the squirrels fight or the birds singing to the sun.

I love to be on any body of water...it instantly takes my stress away. My family spends a ton of time outside, on the water at our lake house on Lake Tulloch or in local rivers and lakes. I ride my Peloton bike so I don't go crazy. And, I LOVE to travel. We recently joined Inspirato, a luxury travel program, and have very much enjoyed the vacations they offer.

I sing and play piano and anytime I can find someone to harmonize with me, I'm game. Music is another language to me...it is therapy and it is certainly in my bones! I can see it in my kids, too, which makes me very happy.

How are you involved in the community?

Oh gosh...I love that it is embedded in my chosen profession to give back to my community. I previously volunteered with El Dorado County Ag in the classroom...coming from a farming family in Iowa and evolving into a person who knows first hand that food is medicine, gave me a passion for this organization. COVID has spoiled my plans a bit in this regard, but I also became a part of Rotary this year and I started a non-profit called 100 Squared. It is designed to crowd-fund and give back to local charities. Instead of reinventing the wheel, the El Dorado Hills Endowment and I have decided to join efforts and see if we might have an even bigger impact. I'm also on the board of the Wildwood Performing Arts Foundation, creating incredible opportunities for youth to experience songwriting, performing and the music industry in a very real way. Our connections to Nashville and the Cash and Carter families bring the local community closer to the Johnny Cash legacy, and give our students access to incredible musicians and opportunities. I do what I can to support the PTO at my children's school, as well.

What activities are your kids involved with?

Well, we are re-grouping our activities because everything came to a screeching halt! My kids are adventurous and fearless and love things like rock-climbing and riding dirt bikes. They are both fiercely competitive so I expect sports to quickly become a part of our lives. I recently bought us all tennis rackets so I could teach them how to play. Golf is on the horizon, as well. Both of them are in Scouts and cooking clubs. Truthfully, they are just so social that their favorite thing to do is have people over! They are always asking me, "Mom, when's the next party?"

What is your favorite part about living in your neighborhood?

I will never forget when I first moved here, I felt the difference. Not only does it feel so much more calm than the Bay, but my neighbors actually brought me food and made an effort to have a relationship with me! I LOVE how people here seem to fiercely watch out for each other and take care of their neighborhoods...because it's the right thing to do, not because an



HOA tells them to. The first time I saw the newspaper column that posted anyone arrested with a DUI, I thought, "WOW...this is so different." I'm so happy here, I have never looked back. I wish I had listened to my father sooner.

who genuinely care about where they live, taking care of each other and creating community. I feel very lucky to get to raise my family here. We never want to leave.

I LOVE being so central to everything. Not only the walking trails, biking trails, lakes, rivers and schools, but also being so close to world-class destinations like Tahoe and Napa. They are literally in our backyard. My neighborhood is full of great people

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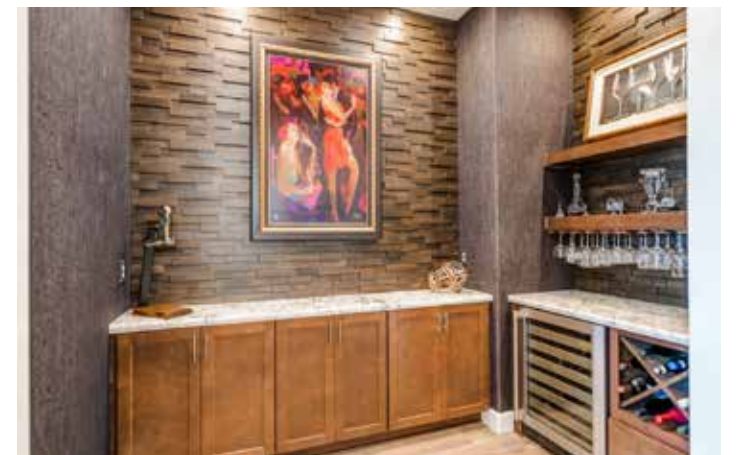
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Bringing mainly their large collection of artwork and a few other pieces, Todd Peddicord worked to develop a beautiful home that was inspired by their extensive worldwide travels and especially their fondness for their time spent in Africa. Incorporating natural textures such as grasscloth wallpaper, floor-to-ceiling stone, and the use of beautiful woods and leathers gave the home the richness it needed while at the same time being very calm and casual. Those design details along with the use of dramatic sized lighting fixtures and transitional furniture pieces made for a home they could not be more proud of.

Design Details

What was specified as the formal dining area adjacent to the great room was transformed into a cocktail lounge for them to relax in with their guests. The mirrored wall allows them to all enjoy the setting sun and gorgeous views of the Serrano hillside.

The dining area showcases custom photography pieces that highlight their favorite places they have traveled to. This can be an ongoing and evolving installation as they continue to travel the world.

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It's a hidden gem in El Dorado Hills. Sienna restaurant is worth the drive from Serrano and you'll always leave with a full belly and a smile.



CELEBRATING Freedom! Left to right: Georgie & Dan Dorries, Joe and Antoinette Angel, Sherry & Tom Campbell...



Eddie Blagdon...



Left to right: Dr. Gwynn Akin & Marlyn Pino-Jones...

Sienna has been around for just over a decade. Owners Mark and Karoline Platt take pride in what they do and love the El Dorado Hills community. "What makes Sienna great, is that whether you're here for a date night or dressed in shorts and a t-shirt sitting at the bar, you'll fit in," said Karoline Platt.

Let's face it, the past year has been difficult for all restaurants due to the pandemic. The Platt's say despite all of the challenges presented to them, they

moved quickly to adapt in an effort to keep all of their restaurants open. They did it and now find places like Sienna thriving with many changes they made helping the business dial back a bit.

Karoline said, "We had to step back and look at things differently. We had to stop and say, this is what we're really good at, stick with this!" The owners say Sienna is the longest-running restaurant in El Dorado Hills. Coming in right behind the Serrano Country Club. Sienna says during the pandemic, as more people worked from home, they came into the restaurant for lunch. They saw an increase in the lunch service for folks who may not have normally had time to dine in pre-pandemic.

"You're coming in for the personality of the restaurant. You can request to sit outside, at the bar or inside for more formal dining. No matter where you sit, you'll be guaranteed a great experience," said Mark Platt. The menu focuses on seasonal flare with a wine country focus. At the THL event guests were treated to several menu favorites. Plates were filled with ahi poke wraps, chicken skewers, bruschetta, mozzarella skewers and Kobe 50/50 sliders.

Guests not only enjoyed gathering with great food and good company, many also enjoyed sipping wine, cocktails and specialty drinks. Mark says one of the best-selling drinks is the signature 'spicy margarita.' It comes with a kick as the tequila is infused with jalapeños. If you can handle the heat, order this!

Sienna also boasts a large wine selection with many wines from across the region. If you love Napa wines, there's good chance the drink menu will have it. As the state continues to lift COVID protocols in the near future, Sienna plans to bring back wine dinners. This gives you an opportunity to sit down with the winemaker and enjoy a carefully thought-out meal paired with the wines.



Left to right: Triston & George Faulkner, Hue Anh Nguyen and Otto & Pat Seide...



Left to right: Hue Anh Nguyen, Dr. Gwynn Akin, Marlyn Pino-Jones and Melissa & Russ Quade...



Left to right: Steve Cercone, Kathy Brill Burk & Rich Burk, Jen & Tao Torres, David & Rachelle Young, Eddie Blagdon, Erica Kitson, Amy Sussman, Jody & Greg Soria...

Every time you come into Sienna, the Platts say, "We hope you're treated like family." They take pride in every restaurant they run and treat every employee like part of their family. "You can feel the good vibe around here and that Sienna is not a corporate chain. We listen and what our clients have to say matters," Karoline said.

Sienna is also hiring. If you or a loved one are looking to get into the restaurant business, please apply. Working in the restaurant industry teaches you teamwork, helps you get to know your community and can lead to other opportunities.

Sienna is open for lunch and dinner daily. Brunch on the weekends is very popular, also. The menu is always changing to adapt with the local seasonal fare. Stop in and enjoy!



Left to right: Connie Savco, Bill & Carol Estee, Rick & Kathi Concannon and Michael Savco...



Left to right: Michael Yee (Farmer's Insurance...Give Michael a CALL!), Rachelle Young, Eddie Blagdon and Erica Kitson...



Eddie Blagdon & Erica Kitson...We just can't take you anywhere, can we, Erica? Haha! (In E's defense, the base just broke right off the wine glass...Ken captured the moment!)



Left to right: Triston Faulkner, Sherry & Tom Campbell, Romeo Manzano, Jessica Mahar, Georgie & Dan Dorries, George Faulkner and Joe Angel...



Left to right: Me & Stylist, Jen Sattler with Award Winning Architect/Designer Kitchen & Bath, Jenny Levitsky. Jenny also owns Ultimate Designs & Kitchen Goods storefront in Placerville, CA. This is ONE busy girl!



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Left to right: Russ & Melissa Quade...



Left to right: Bill & Carol Estee...



Left to right: Melissa Mendoza, Sandee Merrick, and Jenny Mueller...



Left to right: Rich & Kathy Brill Burk, Melissa Quade and Amy Sussman & Steve Cercone...



Left to right: Jessica Mahar & Tamara Berg-Hamilton...



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Left to right: Me, Jessica, Gwynn & Marlyn...



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Latte is an F1 Mini Goldendoodle, who turned out to be more medium size (which we are very happy with). His mom is a Golden Retriever and his dad is a Mini Poodle. Having Latte as a new member of the family is the best gift during COVID times. He enjoys having a cat for a sister and finding every secret hiding place of hers. Soccer is his favorite sport, where he is a tough defender. He is a special companion to have around and is always excited to greet the girls when they come home from school, filled with a warm, slobbery welcome!

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Neutral Prints

Neutral prints are those patterns that play well with others. Add interest to your outfit by adding them boldly with another neutral print or subtly in shoes or an accessory. This summer embrace getting dressed again and consider a neutral print skirt as a cool alternative to shorts.



Updated Denim

A light wash crop jean will easily become your go-to pair of jeans each day. They work with any shoe from a sneaker to a sandal. In general, anything with a 10-11.5" rise and 26" inseam works best on most women.



Designer Handbag

A designer handbag is the key to curating your closet from Target to CHANEL. When you wear it with your other staples a name brand bag gives your entire look instant fashionable credibility. I suggest a cross body bag in light neutral you can wear all year. Cross bodies are less bulky and less expensive than their larger counterparts.

For more information on Summer Styling Staples, please check out my blog post...

<https://closetchoreography.com/summer-fashion-styling-staples/>



Light Layer

My favorite summer layers are a soft denim jacket, cardigan and white blazer. Choose a blazer that fits your shoulders and defines your waist so you can literally wear it over anything.



Nude Shoes

A nude shoe is probably the number one item I reach for to make a look "work." It never competes with an outfit and can elongate and slenderize like no other shoe can. Right now anything with a square toe and woven or quilted straps are in.



Step by Step, Paso a Paso's YEAR-END CELEBRATION...

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Step by Step, Paso a Paso was so excited to celebrate their students, teachers and families. The end of the year celebration was filled with adorable performances in English and Spanish, laughs and smiles. Alice and the Mad Hatter made a surprise appearance and much-needed fun was had by all.

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We flew into Fort Lauderdale on Friday, February 12, rented a car at the airport and drove down to Key Largo. The plane landed around 7:30 PM and as I turned my phone on right after we landed, I had a voicemail from the resort in Key Largo, where we were supposed to be staying that night, saying that they hadn't heard from us and that they close at 7 PM so we should contact them before that time. I immediately tried calling them but there was no answer. That was a harrowing drive...two hours down to Key Largo, not knowing if we'd have a place to sleep once we got there! Key Largo is pretty "provincial"...it's not like you can just easily find another place to stay at a late hour.

We made the drive and found our hotel, which looked completely dark. It had no sign to any kind of lobby and it was all parking on the ground floor, so we didn't quite know what to do. There was a pretty crowded restaurant next door called Snappers, so I suggested Russ go in there to ask if they had any idea what the hotel next door did about late check-ins.

One of the restaurant workers overheard him and was kind enough to walk him over there, help him find the lobby (upstairs on the second floor), and then they were able to find a mailbox of sorts outside the lobby that had an envelope in it with our room key in it and our name on the front of the envelope. WHEW!

The next day was Saturday, and we drove down to the Theater of the Sea, which is a marine mammal park with dolphin shows, sea lion shows, bird shows and other rescued marine animals. The dolphin show was one of the best I've seen--absolutely captivating! I decided I wanted to do a little extra thing and bought a "sea lion encounter," where I got to interact with one of the sea lions. Her name was Monica, and I completely fell in love with her! She was a showgirl after my own heart, and was born for the stage. She looked



Melissa Quade & Boyfriend, Russ Price

so proud after every trick she did, and would even smile on demand for the camera!

That evening we went to Mile Marker 88 for dinner, which is truly a special place--an outdoor bar and fine dining restaurant right on the sand. We had drinks and dinner and waded out into the water and watched the sunset there. It was magical.

The next day was Valentine's Day so we went back to the hotel to get a good night's sleep because we were all set to scuba dive off of Key Largo for Valentine's Day. We were so excited! And then when we showed up to check in, they couldn't find our reservation. Even though I had booked it a month earlier for February 14, somehow our reservation got entered for March 14. Ugh! We were so disappointed and spent the next few hours looking for another dive option. We eventually found one for the following morning, with an early morning launch before we headed down to Key West.

We ended up having our Valentine's Day dinner at Snappers, on the patio over the water, right next to our hotel. Then we went to bed to prepare for our early morning dive...and ended up getting woken up even earlier than expected when the smoke detector in our room started chirping at around 3 AM! No staff comes in until 7 AM, so we were stuck listening to that thing chirp every 30 seconds for about four hours in the second half of the night. Needless to say, we will not be staying there again.

After the few snafus at the first part of our trip, everything after that went well, thankfully! We had a great two-tank boat dive off



of Key Largo that Monday morning the 15th, and it felt so great to dive together! Visibility was OK but seas were rough, and one of us got a little sick. I'll let you guess which one. Haha!

After our dive, we started the drive down the Overseas Highway all the way down to Key West. It was beautiful! Such crystal

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clear blue and turquoise water all around. We stopped and had lunch at Robbie's in Islamorada, where you can feed giant tarpon, and we got super lucky and got to see a few manatees there as well, trying to take the food away from the tarpon. We ate lunch on the sand, overlooking the fish cleaning station where the people come back from their fishing tours and clean the fish. They throw the guts down into the water where the pelicans fight over it, and when we were there, there were also a few sharks fighting the pelicans for the fish guts! It was crazy watching them thrash around and come up out of the water to get a mouthful of fish guts!

We got into Key West on Monday night, checked into our hotel and walked to Duval Street, which is like Bourbon Street in New Orleans. Tons of restaurants and bars and shops, and tons of tourists. It was fun people-watching.

The next day we explored the island more and also did another two-tank boat dive. This time the water was not as rough, but the visibility was not as good, either. We stayed very close to our guide, and at one point we found ourselves about 12 feet away from two giant nurse sharks just lying



on the bottom! That was such a thrill for me--I have probably been on around 100 scuba dives in my life and had never seen a shark before that point. Nurse sharks are harmless bottom feeders so there was no reason to be scared--just excited!

Wednesday was our last full day there, and we made the most of it. In the morning we went on a guided jet ski tour all around the island. Our guide was great! And I felt like the hero in an action movie driving my jet ski at high speeds. We stopped at a sandbar and our guide took a picture of us with our jet skis. After that we rented a golf cart and drove around the island for the afternoon on that...it's the perfect way to get around there! We stopped at the



Butterfly Conservatory, where one of the butterflies landed on Russ three times--on his hand, on his cheek and then on his heart. It was a magical experience. We also toured Ernest Hemingway's house that day. And we found our favorite bar on the island...the Southernmost Point Bar. They have a little replica of the landmark at the actual Southernmost Point of the US, and we got the table right next to it, so I got to meet and talk to a lot of people as they all came up and wanted to take their picture with it.

We drove back up the Overseas Highway on Thursday and stayed the night in Fort Lauderdale near the airport for our early morning flight back home on Friday. We made a happy hour stop in Miami's South Beach, where I spent a good part of my early 20s, just for old time's sake.

What a great trip, and VERY MUCH NEEDED after the tough year we all had.

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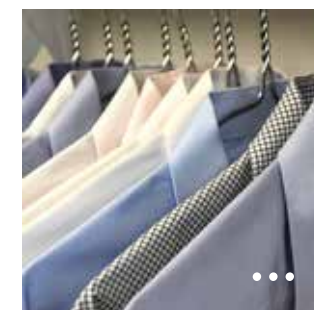
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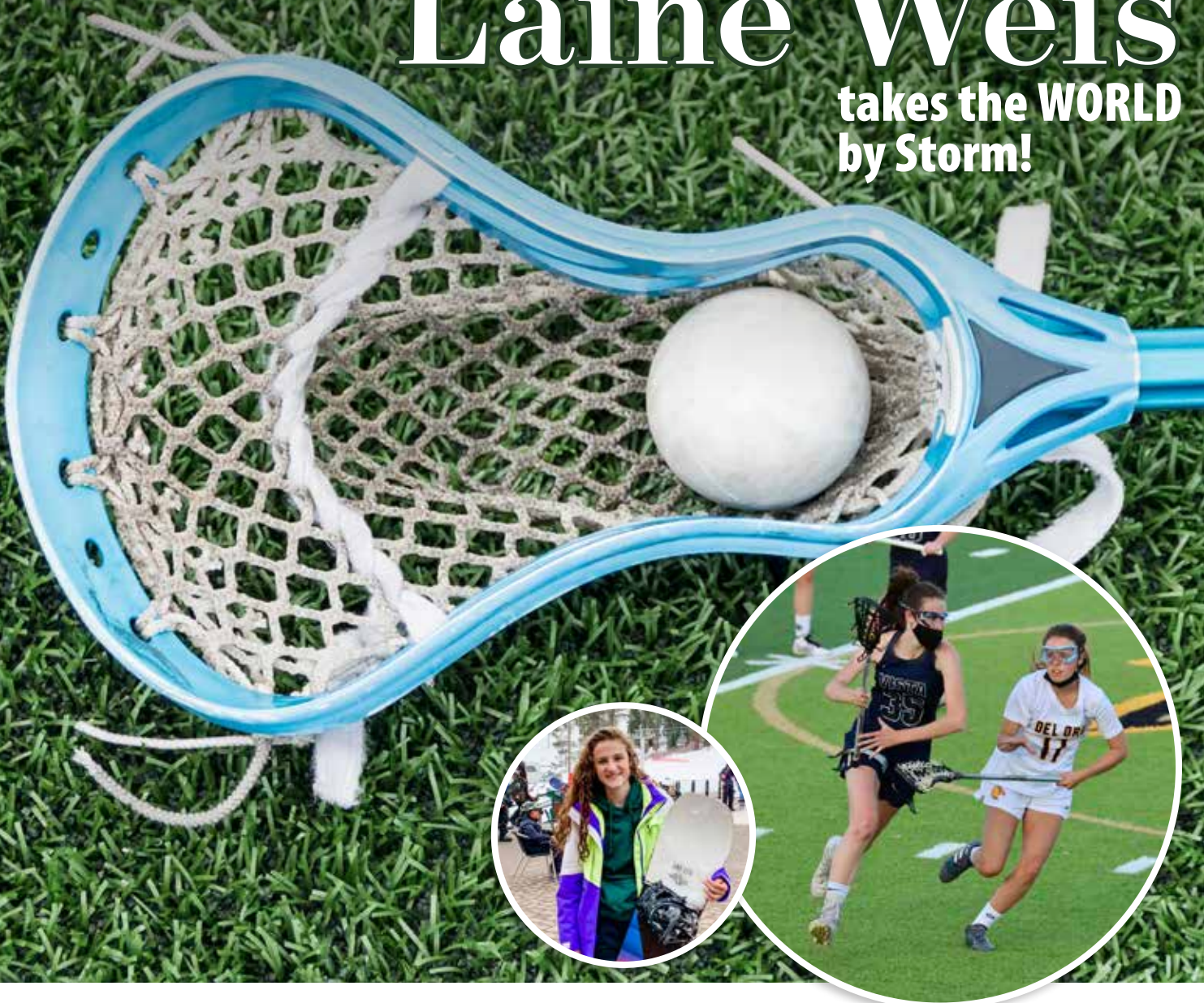
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By Laine's Brother and
Junior Writer...**Colin Weis**

For the past three years I have watched a budding journalist, athlete, scientist and intellectually curious high-octane student hunt down interesting stories about local athletes and their impressive endeavors. Laine Weis, the Athletic Accolades writer for *The Hills Living* magazine, has routinely embodied the concept of an individual who beckons others further than just being courageous, but into an audacious, yet fulfilling reality. She's brought these stories to life each month, while achieving a balancing act that not only included accelerated courses, but high school and AAU basketball, varsity lacrosse, orchestra, Vista sports medicine, volunteering and countless clubs.



She has not merely been a member of National Honors Society, California Scholarship Federation, the Forestry Challenge and Vista del Lago Lacrosse, but has participated in internships both in Washington D.C and Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. There she confirmed her fascination with pursuing a career in public policy and medicine. One of the critical facets that constituted her interest in medicine occurred when a fellow classmate exhibited a seizure during class. Laine was awarded the Everyday Heroes recognition through her assisting of the student, and her application of vital medical procedures that Laine was previously taught through her self-driven familiarity in emergency policies. She ensured that the student's tongue would not slide further back in her mouth, causing her to choke.

Less notably Laine is a Black Belt in Taekwondo, and she attributes the foundation of her resolute drive to embark beyond where most would venture to the ethical lessons taught at her young age, which pertain to consistent pressure and nervousness ingrained amongst each practice and competition. Laine has, furthermore, fostered Folsom's youth sports program across all mediums. She is a head coach of Vista Talons AAU 6th grade ladies Basketball (the first high school female to hold such a position), and a certified U.S Soccer Federation Referee.

An added example of her principle to descend deeper into her passions, and strive to harvest more from each and every one, Laine is not solely a cellist in Vista's orchestra, but also Vista's drumline captain. She has learned a total of four different instruments throughout her four years in high school. At her graduation this year Laine will wear the seal of bi-literacy, a golden cord recognizing her 4.26 GPA, another cord for her enrollment in CSF and a golden scarf for her attainment of acceptance into National Honors Society.

Laine has committed to the University of Chicago to pursue a degree in Public Policy on a Pre-Med track; however, she aims to

continue writing far after graduation. She will invariably remember her time as the writer for the Athletic Accolades in *The Hills Living* magazine. As Laine states, "I am so thankful for the opportunity to share stories of so many fantastic high school students with our community, and I can't wait to see what they'll do next."

She also wishes to thank THL's publisher, Jenny Thurman, for her commitment to printing her stories every month, and the friendship they have shared. Although she has written her final article, Laine hopes that the enduring and pursuing spirit of all her athletes and herself will not fail in leaving the page.



Laine at 16 yrs old in the Dominican Republic, meeting the baby she watched come into the world via C-Section.'



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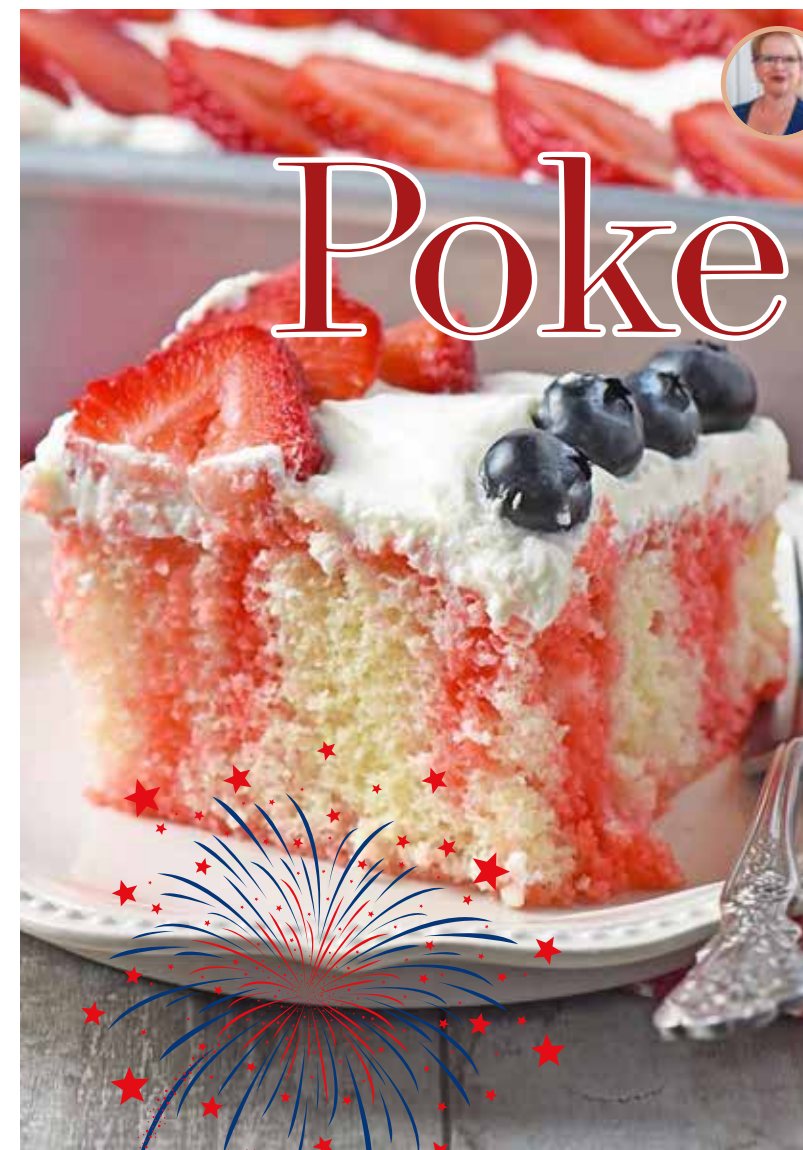
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Poke

rockin' recipes

By Geneva Richardson...Resident

Cake...

YUMMY & FESTIVE!

Picture this...a delicious cake with fruity jello drizzled throughout, and topped with a smooth layer of whipped cream, then sliced strawberries and blueberries. This jello cake is really so simple, which is why it is one of my favorites.

What's awesome is that you can change out the flavor of jello depending on your mood. I almost always use strawberry, but my other favorites are raspberry and cherry. I've also done lime, blue raspberry and orange before, but those are definitely a little more adventurous!

CAKE

Begin by making your cake (whether you make one from scratch, or use a box mix--either one is perfect!) Once the cake is slightly cooled, poke holes with a fork at ½ inch intervals.

JELLO

From there, make your jello as you regularly would according to the box, and then carefully pour it over the cake, making sure it gets in all the holes you previously made.

CHILL

Chill the cake for a few hours and top with whipped cream right before serving, and you're set! So easy and SO delicious!

TIPS FOR POKE CAKE

1. You can use a cake made from scratch, a box cake, or a store bought cake
2. White cake pairs well with all flavors of jello
3. Top with whipped cream
4. For a nice clean slice, wipe the knife clean after each cut

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5363 Titleist Way	El Dorado Hills	\$1,100,000	\$1,250,000	04/16/21	4	3	4	3,016	3	\$414.46
5327 Bantry PL	El Dorado Hills	\$1,250,000	\$1,250,000	05/20/21	4	3	4	3,787	3	\$330.08
710 Wyeth Ct	El Dorado Hills	\$1,225,000	\$1,290,000	05/10/21	3	5	5	4,234	2	\$304.68
4360 Cordero Dr	El Dorado Hills	\$1,300,000	\$1,350,000	05/10/21	12	4	3	3,736	3	\$361.35
3394 Greenview Dr	El Dorado Hills	\$1,295,000	\$1,425,000	05/04/21	4	5	5	4,889	4	\$291.47
3338 Greenview Dr	El Dorado Hills	\$1,595,000	\$1,545,000	05/18/21	75	4	4	4,187	3	\$369.00
6003 Western Sierra Way	El Dorado Hills	\$1,850,000	\$1,662,000	05/12/21	30	5	5	6,236	4	\$266.52
6092 Monet Way	El Dorado Hills	\$1,679,000	\$1,700,000	04/30/21	6	4	5	4,400	3	\$386.36
5448 Sur Mer Dr	El Dorado Hills	\$1,750,000	\$1,700,000	04/20/21	18	4	5	4,829	4	\$352.04
5277 Breese Cir	El Dorado Hills	\$1,779,000	\$1,725,000	05/24/21	7	5	6	4,831	3	\$357.07
4367 Gresham Dr	El Dorado Hills	\$1,799,000	\$1,832,000	04/16/21	4	5	4	4,900	3	\$373.88
5215 Breese Cir	El Dorado Hills	\$1,895,000	\$1,840,000	04/19/21	43	6	6	6,010	3	\$306.16
5200 Da Vinci Dr	El Dorado Hills	\$1,874,900	\$1,849,000	04/05/21	80	4	5	4,284	4	\$431.61
5310 Greyson Creek Ct	El Dorado Hills	\$1,899,000	\$1,915,000	05/07/21	5	6	5	5,565	4	\$344.12
4560 Gresham Dr	El Dorado Hills	\$1,999,999	\$2,000,000	04/06/21	12	6	7	6,300	6	\$317.46
4572 Echo Springs Cir	El Dorado Hills	\$2,100,000	\$2,080,000	04/07/21	60	5	6	5,150	4	\$403.88
5060 Da Vinci Dr	El Dorado Hills	\$2,199,000	\$2,150,000	04/22/21	136	5	7	5,806	3	\$370.31
708 Da Vinci Ct	El Dorado Hills	\$2,280,000	\$2,200,000	04/20/21	26	5	6	5,033	3	\$437.12
4441 Gresham Dr	El Dorado Hills	\$2,495,000	\$2,400,000	05/20/21	125	4	4	4,804	5	\$499.58
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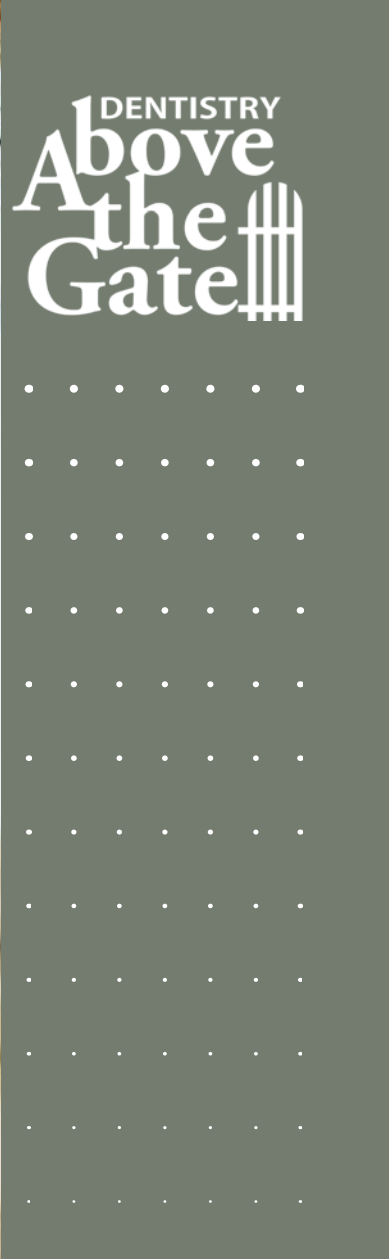
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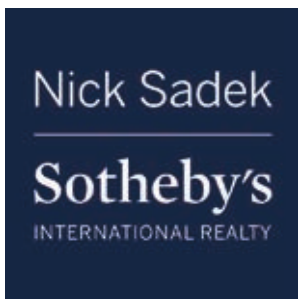
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