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Labor Day Grilling at Its Very Best

GRILLED SPARERIBS

Ingredients:

3 (3-pound) racks of spareribs, washed and patted dry

1 Tablespoon garlic powder

3 Tablespoons seasoned salt, preferably Lawry's brand

1 red apple, cored and thinly sliced

Barbecue sauce, served warm on the side (optional)

Directions:

Open the bottom vent of a charcoal grill completely. Light a charcoal chimney starter filled with charcoal. When the coals are covered with gray ash, pour them onto the bottom grate of the grill, and then push to one side of the grill. Adjust the vents as needed to maintain an internal temperature of 300° to 350°F. Coat the top grate with oil;



Photo by Andrea Behrends and Helene Dujardin

place on the grill. (If using a gas grill, preheat to medium [300° to 350°F] on one side.)

Prep the ribs by removing the membrane from the bones: Using a small knife and starting at the point of the cut, cut underneath the membrane, but not into the bone. Using a paper towel, grab the loosened membrane and pull it away from the ribs. Continue in this manner until the membrane is removed.

Season both sides of the ribs with the garlic powder and then the seasoned salt.

Add the ribs to the grill, meat-side down, and cook over direct heat for 30 minutes. Flip the ribs bone-side down and continue to cook over direct heat for 30 minutes. Move the ribs to indirect heat and flip once again onto the meat side; cook for 30 minutes. Finish the ribs by flipping back to bone-side down, topping with the apple slices, and cooking over indirect heat for a final 10 minutes. The ribs should be tender and ¹/₄ inch or so of the bone should show

GRILLED CHICKEN THIGHS WITH LEMONGRASS GLAZE

Ingredients:

- 1/4 cup water
- 1/4 cup fish sauce
- 1/2 cup light brown sugar
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 teaspoons fresh red chili, minced
- 1 inch piece ginger, peeled and minced

3 stalks lemongrass, tender bottom parts only

6 boneless skinless chicken thighs 1 handful roughly chopped cilantro Juice of 1/2 lime

Directions:

In a large mixing bowl, whisk together the water, fish sauce, sugar, garlic, chili, and ginger. Using a microplane, finely grate two of the lemongrass stalks into the marinade.



Photo by Bobbi Lin

As you are grating the lemongrass, discard any fibrous outer layers that are too hard to grate. Set the final piece of lemongrass aside for later. Add the chicken thighs to the marinade, and refrigerate for 45 minutes.

When the chicken thighs have marinated for 45 minutes, remove them from the marinade and grill them over medium-high heat for a couple minutes on each side. The chicken will caramelize quickly, due to the sugar in the marinade. When the chicken looks nicely charred on each side, grill them over lower heat for an additional 5-10 minutes, flipping them occasionally, until they are fully cooked.

While the chicken is grilling, transfer the leftover marinade to a large skillet, and cook the marinade over high heat for about 3-5 minutes, until the liquid has reduced to a syrupy consistency. This reduced marinade will now be your glaze.

When the chicken is finished cooking, toss it in the glaze. Transfer to a plat-

on the sides of the ribs. Remove from the grill, tent with foil, and let rest for 30 minutes.

Slice the ribs and serve with sauce on the side, if desired.

ter and garnish with the chopped cilantro and lime juice. Using a microplane, finely grate the remaining lemongrass over the platter of chicken. Serve immediately. Enjoy!

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From Recipes Old and New Tried and True



This book was published in 1962 by the Nacogdoches Federation of Women's Clubs as a fundraiser for the maintenance and upkeep of The Old Nacogdoches University Building.

It features recipes from local residents, most of whom are no longer with us. We hope that you enjoy this monthly feature and that you may remember many of the people who shared their recipes.

The preface reads:

"Nacogdoches has always been famous for gracious East Texas hospitality and good cooking. This collection of old family recipes has been tried and proven many times and comes from our very best cooks. We hope they will add to your cooking pleasure."

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(Mrs. Ruel Parrott)

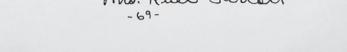
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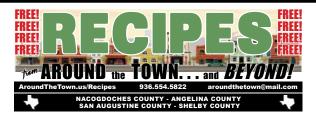
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Submitted by Around the Town Publisher, David Stallings

Precious Memories Recipes from Jean Stallings

My beautiful wife, Jean, passed away on July 4, 2020. She was an amazing wife, mother, and teacher. She was also a wonderful cook who loved preparing special meals for our family and friends.

Jean left us hundreds of her great recipes and I will share one of our favorites here each month. I hope that you'll enjoy them as much as we always did!

CHICKEN A L'ORANGE

1 2-3 pound fryer, cut up Flour Salt Pepper



1/4 cup green pepper, chopped1 cup orange juice2 Tablespoons dry sherry1/2 Tablespoon brown sugar

Here's a summer berry icebox cake that makes good use of sweet summer fruit without having to turn the oven on! You can use almost any fruit or berries you wish.

SUMMER FRUIT ICEBOX CAKE

- 2¹/₄ cups cold heavy whipping cream
- 1/4 cup confectioner's sugar
- 1¹/₂ teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 pinch salt
- 7 to 8 whole Graham crackers (about 1 (4.8 ounce) packet), or more as needed
- 1 large peach peeled, pitted, and thinly sliced
- 1 cup fresh blueberries
- 1 cup fresh black raspberries or blackberries

Line an $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ -inch loaf pan with enough plastic wrap to have overhang on all sides.

Add heavy cream, powdered sugar, vanilla, and salt to a large mixing bowl. Starting on low speed, begin whipping the mixture. Gradually increase mixer speed to medium-high and beat until



cream holds stiff peaks. Taste whipped cream and add more powdered

Paprika 1/2 large onion, thinly sliced

1/4 teaspoon salt

Heat oven to 375°. Wash and dry chicken. Sprinkle with salt, pepper and paprika and coat with flour. Arrange chicken in baking dish and sprinkle with sliced onion and green peppers.

Mix together orange juice, sherry, brown sugar and 1/4 teaspoon salt. Place over moderate heat until mixture comes to a boil. Pour over chicken. Cover pans with foil and bake 1 to 1¹/₄ hours or until tender. Remove cover and continue heating at 400° until slightly browned.

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sugar, if needed or desired.

Spread 3 to 4 Tablespoons whipped cream evenly into the lined loaf pan to cover the bottom with a thin layer of cream. Place 3 to 4 Graham crackers in an even layer over the cream, breaking them to fit as necessary. Spread about 3/4 cup of cream evenly over the Graham cracker layer. Sprinkle half of sliced peach, half of blueberries, and half of black raspberries over cream. Spread another 3/4 cup cream over fruit in an even layer. Add another layer of Graham crackers, breaking as necessary to fit. Top with another 3/4 cup cream and spread into an even layer. Top with remaining peach slices, blueberries, and black raspberries. Spread remaining cream over fruit. The loaf pan will be very full at this point. If desired, sprinkle icebox cake with Graham cracker crumbs.

Carefully cover loaf pan with plastic wrap and place cake into the freezer for about 8 hours or overnight.

When ready to serve, let cake sit at room temperature for 10 to 15 minutes to soften slightly. Carefully lift cake out of the pan using the plastic wrap overhang; peel plastic wrap off. Run a sharp knife under hot water for several seconds, then dry it off with a towel. Cut icebox cake into slices using the hot knife.

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"Areeda's Southern

Cooking, A Collection of **Old-Fashioned Recipes**"

by Areeda Schneider-Stampley



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SCHNEIDER GOULASH

Ingredients:

1 pound ground beef 1 large onion 1 medium stalk celery 1 medium-size can tomatoes 1 can mushrooms 8 ounces macaroni, cooked and drained Dash of garlic powder 1 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon pepper Grated mild cheddar cheese

Directions:

Sauté meat and onion until lightly browned; put into a large kettle. Add celery, tomatoes and mush-

rooms. Simmer about 30 minutes. Add macaroni (cooked until almost tender, then drained). Add seasonings and simmer a few minutes more.





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BEST FRIED GREEN TOMATOES

INGREDIENTS:

- 4 large green tomatoes
- 2 large eggs
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup cornmeal
- 1/2 cup bread crumbs
- 2 teaspoons coarse kosher salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1 quart vegetable oil for frying

DIRECTIONS:

Gather all ingredients. Slice tomatoes 1/2 inch thick. Discard the ends.

Whisk eggs and milk together in a medium-sized bowl. Scoop flour onto a plate. Mix

cornmeal, bread crumbs, salt, and pepper on another plate. Dip tomatoes into flour to coat. Then dip tomatoes into milk and egg mixture; dredge in breadcrumbs to completely coat.

Heat oil in a large deep skillet to 375 degrees F. Place tomatoes in hot oil in batches of 4 or 5, to prevent them from touching; fry until crisp and



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In a casserole dish, spread 1/2 of meat mixture. Spread a layer of grated



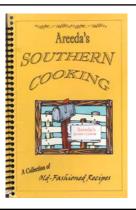
mild cheddar cheese; then layer of meat; then layer of cheese.

Bake in 350 degree oven about 15-20 minutes until cheese melts and is a slight golden brown. Serve hot.

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golden brown on one side, then flip and fry on other side.

Transfer fried tomatoes to a paper towel-lined plate to drain. Repeat with remaining tomatoes.

Serve hot and enjoy!

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PULL APART COFFEE CAKE

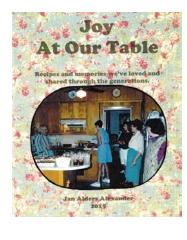
My late dear sister-in-law, Becky McKernan, gave me this delicious recipe, and it is great for a family breakfast gathering.

- 3 cans (large) Texas style biscuits
- (butter variety, if available)
- 1 cup dark brown sugar

of Nacogdoches

- 1 cup white sugar
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups pecans 1 stick butter

Butter a bundt pan. Put sugar and cinnamon in zip lock bag. Cut biscuits (1 can at a time) into 3 strips and coat in sugar mixture. Butter bundt pan and put 1 can of coated biscuits in bottom. Sprinkle 1/3 of pecans on top of them. Place 1/3 stick of butter (cut in pieces) on top. Repeat 2 more times. Pour remaining sugar mixture over the top of cake. Bake at 325° for 45 to 60 minutes.



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From Julia Jones of Nacogdoches

For many years Julia ran IMPACT, a non-profit ministry in downtown Nacogdoches, that served the families of Nacogdoches thanks to the generosity of friends and family. She, along with a bevy of volunteers worked tirelessly to serve foster children and foster families in the Nacogdoches area.



CHICKEN SPAGHETTI

16 oz. dry spaghetti, cooked (I personally use 2 bags Angel Hair) 1 lb. Velvetta cheese, cubed

- 1 whole chicken, chopped or shredded
- 1 family-size can cream of mushroom soup
- 1 large can Ro-Tel (do NOT drain)
- 4 oz. can mushroom stems and pieces, drained
- 1/2 cup milk
- Salt and pepper, to taste

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Garlic salt (optional)

Cook noodles in salt water; drain. Mix all ingredients. Bake in large bakeware at 375° for 45 minutes covered with foil Take cover off and



bake 10 more minutes.



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Bubba's Original Sophiscated Southern Redneck Cookbook

"A Redneck's take on sophisticated food!"

by Ken Stonecipher

Ken Stonecipher is a book editor and ghost writer living in Nashville, Tennessee. Among his many writing accomplishments are two cookbooks, "Bubba's Original Sophisticated Southern Redneck Cookbook" and "Bubba's Original Full-Fledged Southern Redneck Cookbook."

Another cookbook in the writing stage is "All Things Cheesecake." Originally from Magnolia, Arkansas, Ken is a multitalented entertainer as well, performing on stage and behind a piano. A consummate writer, he has collections of short stories, novels, commissioned songwriting and even two musicals to his credit.



CHOCOLATE CHIFFON CAKE

I stole this recipe from Ann Thomas who made this cake one summer and gave me a piece while I wuz helpin' John Allen clear out his carpentry tools. John Allen had been puttyin', paintin', and pleasin' Ann with his professional handyman skills. Ann had been talkin' his head off and crackin' eggs for this cake. I stopped by to lend a hand and git a piece jus after the seven-minute frostin' wuz spread. As she wuz moundin' up that white stuff and my mouth wuz waterin', I told her I did winders and baseboards. She didn't hear me, thank God and sliced John Allen and me a huge piece of that light-as-a-feather cake and sweet, sticky icin'. Hmmmm! She can talk to me anywhere, anytime, anyplace! Hail to the Chief!

1/4 cup sifted cake flour
Pinch of cream of tartar
4 Tablespoons cocoa
3/4 cup granulated sugar
1/2 cup (12) egg whites
1½ teaspoons salt
1½ teaspoons vanilla
1/4 cup granulated sugar



Preheat oven to 375°. Sift flour with 3/4 cup sugar four (4) times. Beat whites, cream of tartar, salt, vanilla till stiff peaks form but still moist and glossy. Add remainin' 3/4 cup sugar to whites, 2 Tablespoons at a time, beatin' after each addition. Sift 'bout 1/4 of flour over whites. Fold in. Fold in remainin' flour by fourths. Bake in and un-greased 10-inch round tube pan 35-40



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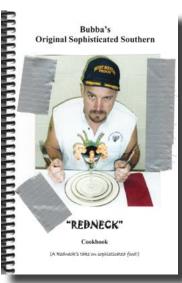


minutes. Invert pan and cool. This is great with 7-minute icin'.

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The authors have dedicated it to their forefathers who came to North Louisiana from Sicily. It is dedicated to preserving the tradition and heritage handed down from that generation of the 1870s.

Most of them came from Cefalu, Sicily, situated 40 miles east of Palermo, on the beautiful Adriatic Sea.

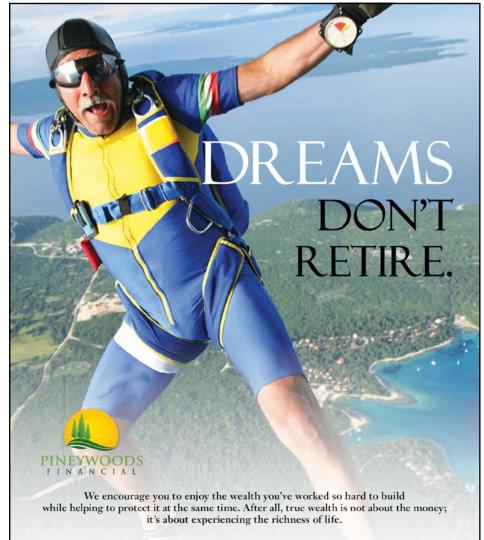
The descendents of these people have remained a close knit community in Shreveport and Bossier City, Louisiana.

To preserve their heritage–with its art of Sicilian cooking–for future generations, this cookbook was created.

EGGPLANT-MEAT CASSEROLE (Rose G. Cascio)

 lb. ground round beef
 medium eggplant
 4 cup onion
 2 cup parsley
 cloves minced garlic
 2 cup celery, chopped
 2 cup Parmesan cheese (1/4 for topping)
 egg, beaten
 8 wet crackers
 teaspoon salt
 8 teaspoon black pepper
 4 cup dry bread crumbs (for topping)
 Tablespoons butter or corn oil margarine

Wash and peel eggplant; cut in cubes. Boil until tender. Drain and set aside. Put 2 Tablespoons of oil in skillet and brown meat lightly, just to take red out. Sauté with the meat, onion, parsley, celery and garlic; add salt and pepper. Add mashed eggplant with meat and cook 5 to 7 minutes. Beat egg; squeeze water out of crackers and add to eggplant mixture. Add 1/4 cup cheese; mix well. Grease or spray casserole and place mixture in; sprinkle top with 1/4 cup cheese and 1/4 cup bread crumbs. Dot top with butter or corn oil margarine; cover and cook about 25 minutes at 350°. Then uncover and cook 5 minutes more, or until brown. Let set just a few minutes before serving.



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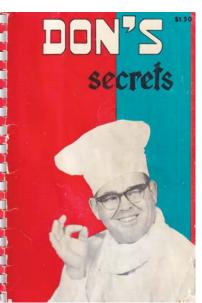
Submitted by David Stallings -Around the Town Publisher

The Landry Family once operated Don's Seafood & Steakhouse Restaurants in Shreveport, Lafayette, Baton Rouge, Morgan City and Beaumont. The restaurants are gone now, but my memories of their amazing food linger on. I hope that you'll enjoy this recipe!



KEY LIME PIE

1¼ cups all-purpose flour
1 cup shortening
1 teaspoon sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 Tablespoons cold water
1/4 cup lime juice
1 can sweetened condensed milk (14 ozs.)
3 egg yolks
6 egg whites
1 teaspoon green food coloring



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Pie Crust

1/4 cup sugar

Mix flour, shortening, 1 teaspoon sugar, 1/4 teaspoon salt and cold water. Roll out on board. Fit into 9 x 9 pie plate

and bake in pre-heated oven (350°) for ten minutes. Remove and let cool.

Filling

Mix lime juice, condensed milk, egg yolk. Fold in three stiffly beaten egg whites, dash of salt and food coloring. Pour in pie crust and bake at 250° for 6 minutes. While this is baking, beat three egg whites until stiff; add 1/4 cup sugar and beat again. Cover pie with this meringue after the six minutes is up and return to the oven for three minutes or until the meringue is golden brown.



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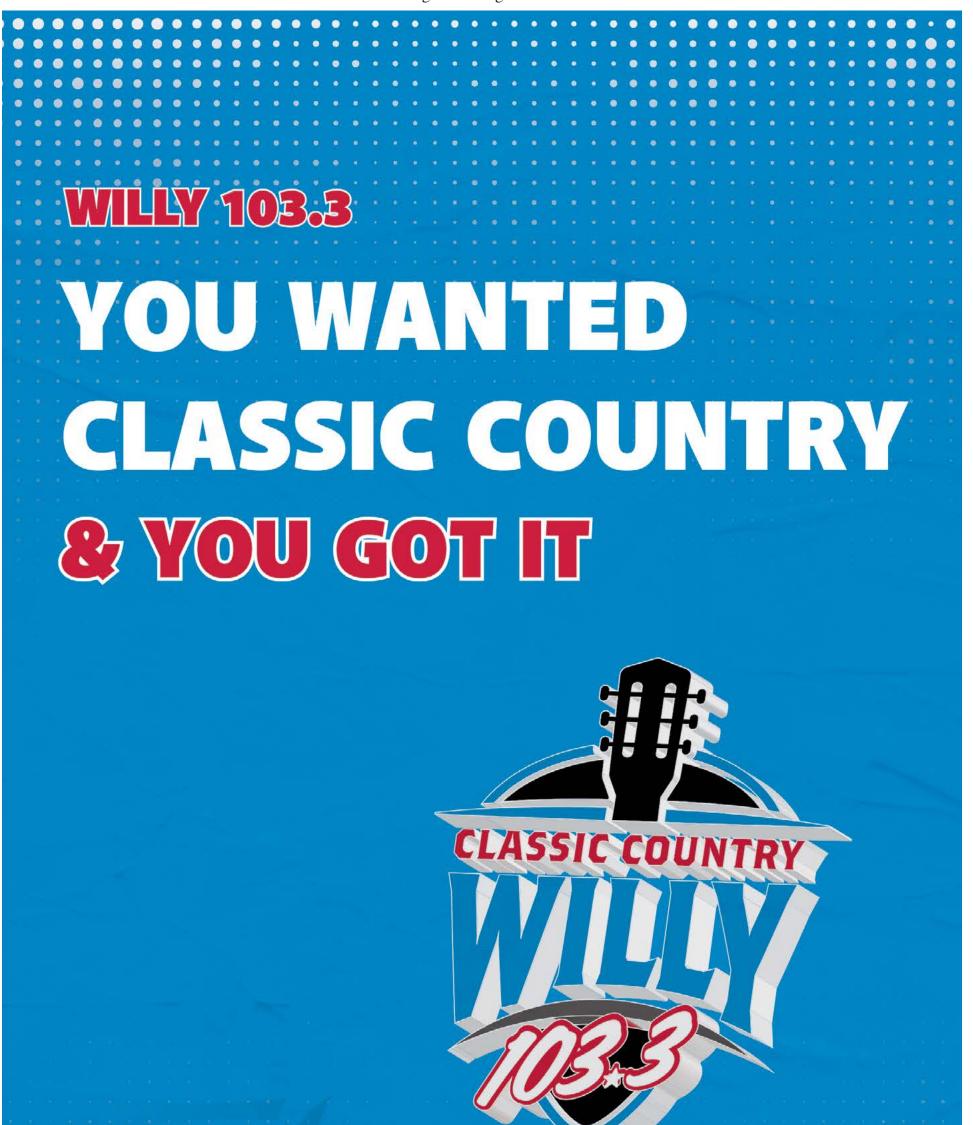
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From Angela Bradford

After years of dedicating my life to the bustling world of the restaurant business, I had finally decided to hang up my apron and embrace the quiet life of retirement. However, as I navigated through a challenging period of health issues, I found myself yearning for the

clatter of dishes, the chatter of patrons, and the warmth of the kitchen. The cafe wasn't just a part of my career; it was a part of me. As I began to recover, the thought of returning to Appleby Sand Cafe filled me with a renewed sense of purpose and excitement. I missed the aroma of fresh coffee in the morning and the satisfaction of serving a



well-loved dish. My journey back to the cafe has been a gradual one, with my health and well-being guiding the pace. It's been heartwarming to see the community rally around us, showing their support on our Facebook page and filling the cafe with friendly faces when we opened our doors for limited hours. Now, as I continue to heal, we're delighted to welcome patrons on Thursdays and Fridays for lunch between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., and on select Friday evenings. Each day back in the cafe is a reminder of the joy and connection that food can bring. For updates on our hours and special events, I invite everyone to stay connected through the Appleby Sand Cafe's Facebook page. It's a testament to the strength of community and the enduring love for a place that feels like home, not just to me, but to all who walk through its doors.

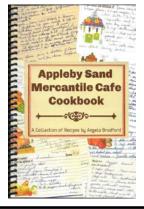
CHICKEN NUGGETS

2 lbs. boneless skinless chicken breasts	2 Tablespoons se
or tenders	2 Tablespoons ga
Vegetable oil, for frying	1 cup milk
3 cups flour	1 egg

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Combine flour and seasonings in bowl. Combine milk and egg in second bowl. Cut chicken into nugget-sized pieces. Dip the chicken pieces in the milk mixture. Put chicken pieces into the dry mixture and coat well.

In a frying pan pour in enough vegetable oil to fill the pan about 1/4 inch. Heat oil on medium heat. Once the oil is good and hot add the coated chicken pieces. Brown the chicken pieces on both sides till cooked completely through. Remove from frying pan and put on a paper towel lined plate or bowl to cool.



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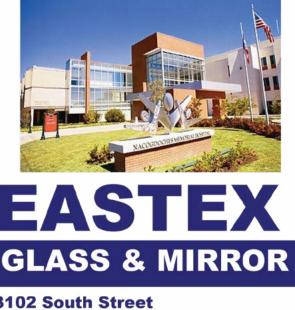
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2 large packages cream cheese 1 Tablespoon bell pepper, chopped 4 teaspoons salad olives & pimientos Dash of Worcestershire sauce Garlic powder to taste

1/2 lb. sharp cheddar cheese, grated 1/2 onion, grated 1 cup chopped pecans

Blend together all ingredients but pecans, roll into ball, then roll on pecans. Chill and serve with crackers or chips.

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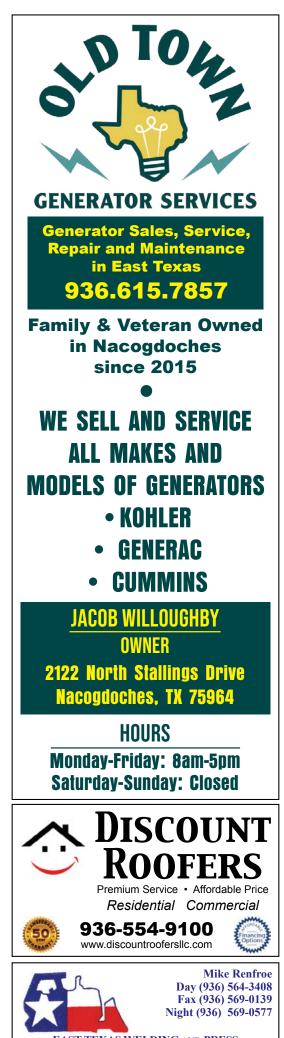
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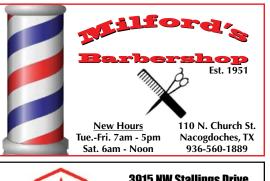
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Honey Lime Grilled Corn

Nothing says summertime like the smell of corn on the grill. Try these ears with an irresistible honey-lime butter.

Ingredients:

- Vegetable oil, for grill
- 4 ears of corn, shucked
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter, softened to room temperature
- 1 jalapeño, seeded and finely chopped
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 2 Tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro
- 2 Tablespoons honey
- 1 Tablespoons chopped fresh oregano
- 1 teaspoon finely grated lime zest
- 2 teaspoon fresh lime juice
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/4 teaspoon fresh ground black pepper

Instructions:

Prepare a gas or charcoal grill for medium-high heat (alternatively, heat a grill pan over medium-high heat); clean and oil grates and preheat 5 minutes. Grill corn, rotating frequently, until starting to char on all sides, 18 to 20 minutes.

Meanwhile, in a small bowl, whisk butter, jalapeño, garlic, cilantro, honey, oregano, lime zest, lime juice, salt, and black pepper. Transfer corn to a 13"-by-9" baking dish. Spread 1 Tablespoon honeylime butter onto each ear of corn. Cover with foil and let sit 5 minutes. Serve with remaining butter alongside.



Grilled Green Tomatoes

Long a Southern staple in famous dishes like fried green tomatoes, green tomatoes are equally delicious in a lighter, healthier preparation that's perfect for summer.

Ingredients:

- 4 medium green tomatoes (about 2 lb. total), sliced ¹/₂" thick
- $2\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons kosher salt, divided
- 3/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper, divided
- 2 Tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided, plus more for grill and drizzling
- 4 oz. goat cheese, softened
- 2 Tablespoons heavy cream
- Zest of 1 lemon (about 2 teaspoons)
- 1/2 teaspoon agave or honey
- 1/2 teaspoon red pepper flakes, plus more for garnish
- 1/2 cup fresh basil leaves
- Flaky sea salt, optional

Instructions:

Season tomatoes on both sides with 1 teaspoon kosher salt and ½ teaspoon black pepper. Drizzle with 1 Tablespoon oil. Set aside.

In a medium bowl, mix goat cheese, cream, lemon zest, agave, red pepper flakes, and remaining 1 Tablespoon oil, 1½ teaspoons kosher salt, and 1/4 teaspoon black pepper until well combined. Spread on a platter or plate.

Preheat a gas grill to high; clean and oil grates. Grill tomatoes until well-charred but not overly soft, 2 to 3 minutes per side.

Arrange tomatoes over goat cheese mixture. Drizzle with oil, then top with basil, sea salt, if using, and red pepper flakes.



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Grilled Avocados

If you love avocados, you have to try grilling them. Grilling avacados gives them a charred and smoky flavor and it makes them incredibly tender and extra creamy.

Ingredients:

- 2 Tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, plus more for grill
- 1 clove garlic, grated
- 1 teaspoon finely grated lime zest
- 1 Tablespoon fresh lime juice
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- Pinch of red pepper flakes
- 2 avocados, pitted and quartered lengthwise (skin on)
- Fresh cilantro, flaky sea salt, and lime wedges, for serving

Instructions:

Prepare a grill for high heat; clean and oil grates. In a small bowl, whisk oil, garlic, lime zest, lime juice, oregano, kosher



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salt, black pepper, and red pepper flakes.

Lightly drizzle avocados with oil. Grill, turning once, until char marks are visible on flesh side and avocados have slightly softened, about 2 minutes per side.

Scoop out flesh from avocado and transfer to a plate. Whisk vinaigrette again, then drizzle over avocados. Garnish with sea salt and cilantro. Serve with lime wedges alongside.

HELPFUL TIPS FOR GRILLING VEGETABLES

PREHEAT THE GRILL: Preheat the grill before adding vegetables to prevent sticking and ensure even cooking. You can also oil the grill grates.

CUT INTO SMALLER PIECES: Smaller pieces cook faster. Harder vegetables like carrots should be cut into smaller pieces, while softer vegetables like eggplant and squash can be sliced in half length wise or into strips.

USE A GRILL BASKET OR SKEWERS: These can help prevent vegetables from falling into the grill, espe cially if you're using a variety of different sizes. If you're using skewers, you can run two skewers side by side through the vegetables so they don't spin.

OIL THE VEGETABLES: Lightly coat vegetables with olive or vegetable oil to prevent sticking, help sea sonings stick, and improve the final result.

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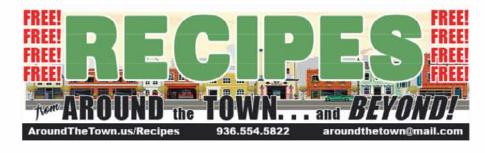
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