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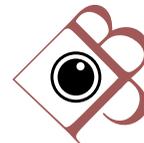
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Welcome!



Gary Questad

Welcome! It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2021 Parade of Homes™. This year we are featuring two new homes featuring the latest in construction, architectural trends, design and décor for physical tours and additional homes available for virtual tours after the conclusion of the physical Parade.

2021 has continued to be a challenging year for events, and the Parade has not been exempt from difficulties. Because of the restrictions surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic along with the supply chain issues it caused and the overall shortage of available homes in the Tri-Cities, this year's Parade will be smaller than normal. BUT, the two homes available for physical tours remain beautiful examples of the craftsmanship that the public has come to expect from the Parade of Homes™. Because of the limited number of participating homes, the Parade will be shortened to one 3-day weekend.

This year attendees will be able to enjoy the fabulous participating homes from the comfort of their couches as the Virtual Parade returns. After the close of the physical Parade of Homes™, paradeofhomestricities.com will feature 3-D tours and photo galleries as well as information on the homes, participating builders, their subcontractors and suppliers. These 3-D tours and photo galleries will be available for all participating homes beginning September 20.

The HBA would like to extend a special thanks to event Premier Sponsor Banner Bank as well as media sponsors KEPR and 94.9 The Wolf and to the Tri-Cities Area Journal of Business for producing this beautiful magazine. Thank you to Circle K for being our long-term ticket sales partner. We also would like to thank the volunteers on the Parade of Homes™ Committee chaired by Allyson Rawlings of Rawlings Flooring America and Design. Special thanks to the public for your continued interest in and support of the Parade of Homes™. We appreciate your ticket purchase and want to show our gratitude by including a free 2021 Fall Home Show ticket on each Parade ticket.

We look forward to seeing you at the Parade homes September 17-19 and at the HAPO Center in Pasco for the Fall Home Show October 1-3.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gary Questad'. The signature is stylized with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right and a vertical stroke on the left.

Gary Questad

President, Home Builders Association of Tri-Cities

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2021 Parade of Homes™ Friday, Saturday and Sunday September 17-19, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- Your ticket is valid for all three days of the Parade (one visit per home).
- Maps showing the location of each Parade home are available in this magazine, at all area Circle Ks, and at paradeofhomestricities.com.
- You may start at either home. Blue and yellow Parade of Homes™ directional signs are placed to guide you in the same counterclockwise order homes are shown on the map.
- In front of each Parade home is a sign that clearly marks it as a Parade of Homes™ entry.
- No bare feet, stocking feet or shoes are permitted.
- A pair of booties will be provided to each attendee and must be worn. Please keep your booties with you and reuse them indoors only at each home.
- Please make sure your shoes can be easily removed to ensure smooth entrance and exit to and from Parade homes.
- Visit both the Parade homes to be eligible to vote for the “People’s Choice” award.
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- Feel free to ask questions of the builders and other representatives at each home.
- We recommend that you do not bring children. Children 3 years old and older need a ticket to visit the homes.
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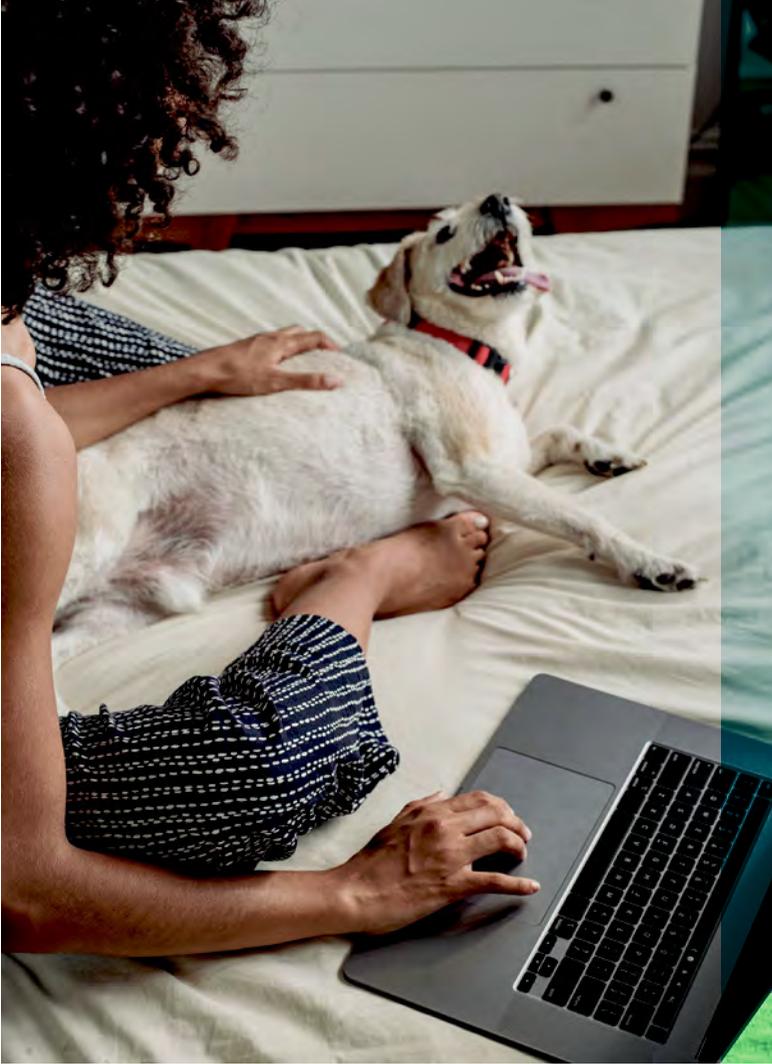


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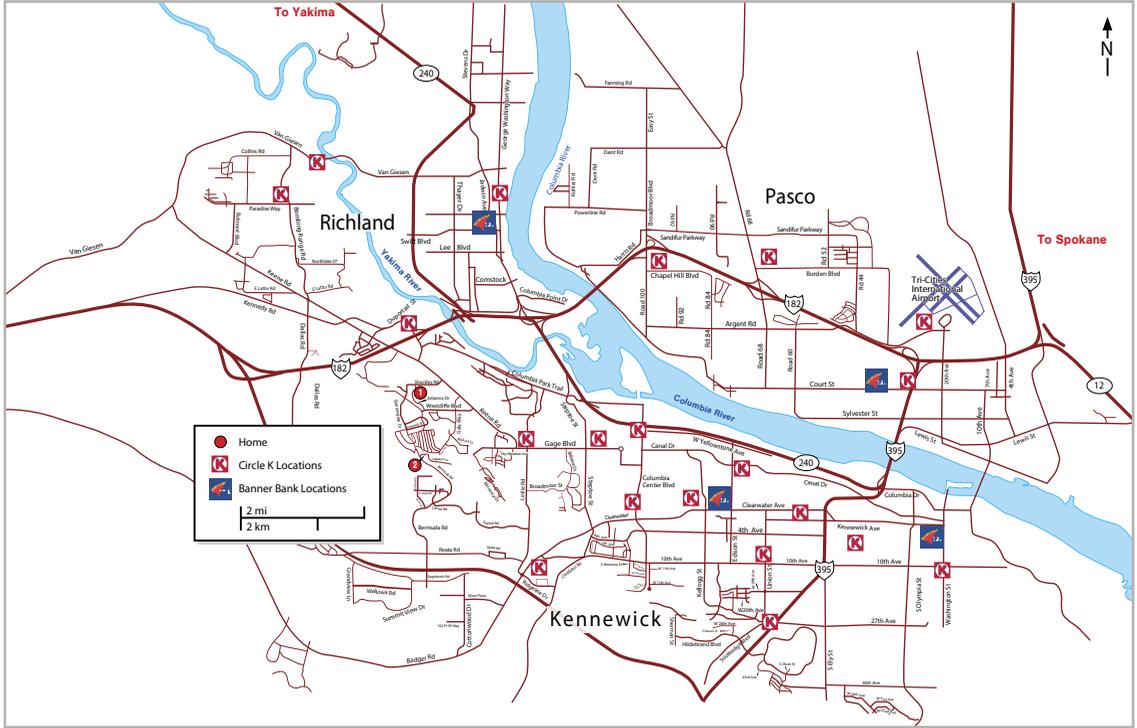


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From Keene Road turn onto Shockley Road; Left onto Jolianna Drive; Home is on the left.



- #2** Pahlisch Homes ■ 2150 Legacy Lane, Richland ■ WestCliffe Heights ■ N 46.223698 W 119.295596
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- Make sure your contractor is properly registered.
- Investigate the reputation and experience of the contractor.
- Be wary of contractors who ask you to pick up the building permit. Plan your project carefully, including detailed plans, if necessary.
- Don't compare apples to oranges when evaluating bids. Make sure bids are based on identical project specifications.
- Ask what inconveniences might arise.
- Obtain a written contract.
- Make sure you understand the terms before you sign anything.
- Be cautious about paying for work not yet completed.
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If you are thinking of buying a new home, you must pay close attention to many details to ensure that you find one that will suit your needs and preferences.

Here are four steps to consider:

Step 1: Financing your home

The first step in the home-buying process is determining how much you can afford. To ensure that the financing process goes smoothly, buyers should consider pre-qualifying for a mortgage and having a financing commitment in place before shopping for a new home.

Step 2: Prioritizing most-wanted features

Before you start shopping, you should sit down with the members of your household to discuss your preferences and the many options available to you.

An easy way to organize your thoughts is to write each separate feature that you want on a 3-by-5 card and

arrange the cards in order of their importance to you. For instance, if you like to cook, you may want a home with a large, well-equipped kitchen. Or you may settle for a small kitchen, so that you can have extra space for a library, office or playroom.

Some homebuyers seek large, open interior spaces, while others prefer traditional rooms that afford more privacy.

While looking for a home, consider whether your needs are likely to change over time. If you plan to add rooms, find out if there is enough space on your site for such expansion and whether such additions are permitted by your local jurisdiction.

Step 3: Selecting the type of home

Options include single-family homes and condominiums. Some homebuyers prefer homes with large yards. Others opt for condominiums where they can avoid yard maintenance entirely.

With a single-family home in a development, you'll be responsible for your own yard

and home, but may be restricted to certain design elements or other regulations if there is a homeowners association.

A condominium is a home in a multi-unit complex, such as an apartment building or a townhouse cluster. You own the home and you and your neighbors jointly own the common elements, such as the land around the complex, the parking areas, building exteriors, hallways, utility pipes and recreational facilities. A condominium owners association is responsible for maintaining the jointly owned elements. The day-to-day business of the complex is generally handled by a managing agency.

Step 4: Starting your house hunt

Now that you know the type of home and features you are looking for and how much home you can afford, you're ready to begin searching for your perfect home. Whether you use a real estate agent to find an existing home or work with a builder to buy a new home, you'll be more focused with your search.

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#1 Prodigy Homes Inc.



Jolianna Heights
1304 Jolianna Drive, Richland
3,335 square feet



Jason Wilkinson

The “Modified Bravo” floor plan is brought to life by Prodigy’s vision. This grand 3,335-square-foot rambler boasts dramatic open spaces, 12-foot ceilings throughout, with coffering to 14-foot and 8-foot tall interior doors.

Indulge in your favorite gourmet cuisine in the chef’s kitchen equipped with a 9-foot island, quartz countertops, custom cabinetry, under-cabinet lighting and fabulous extended butler’s pantry.

Stylish yet functional, the

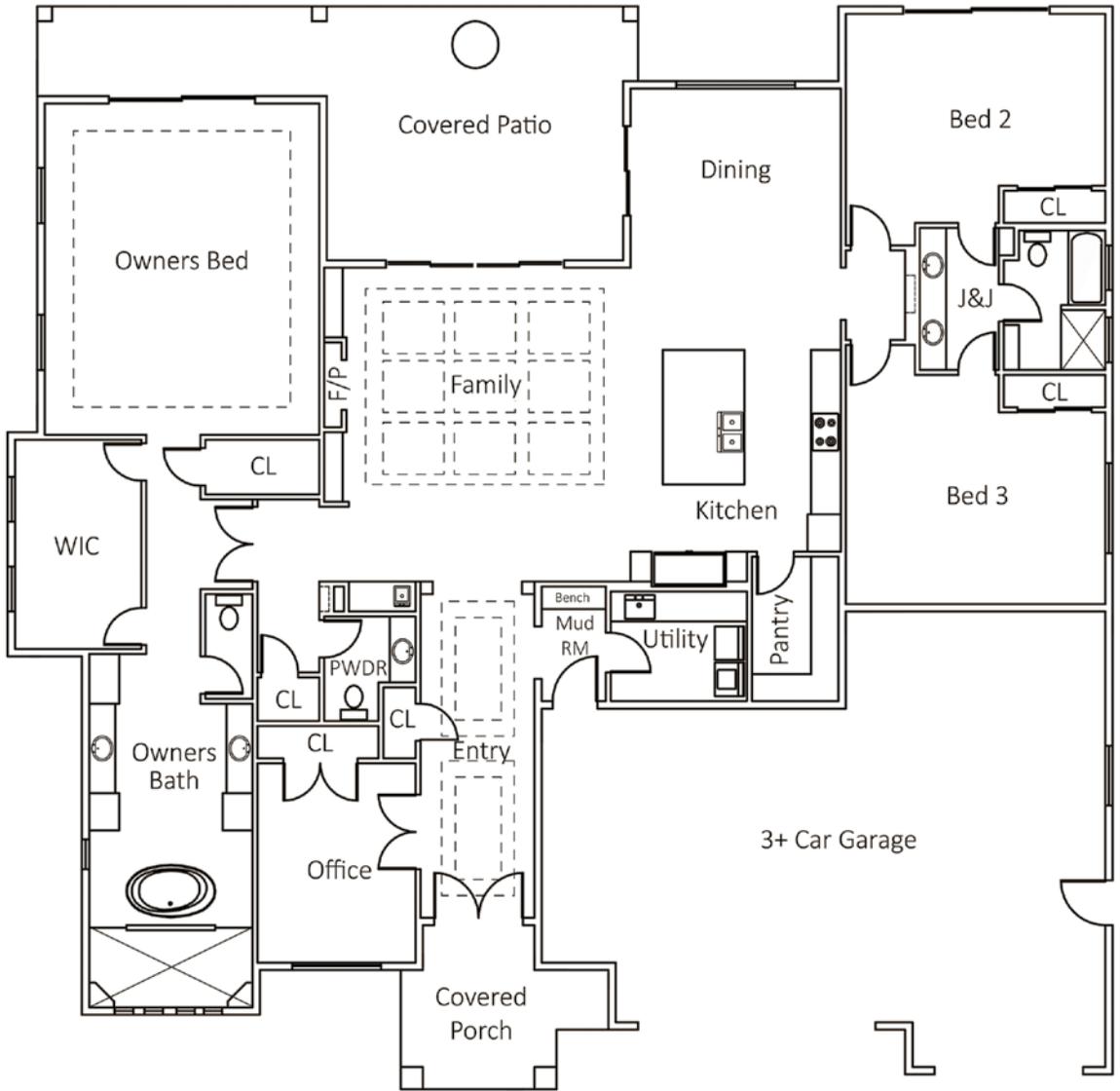
Bravo features a split design, two secondary bedrooms with a Jack & Jill bath on one side of the home and a spectacular owner’s suite on the opposite side.

The sizable owner’s suite boasts a 12-foot slider to the patio, massive custom walk-in closet and a luxurious spa bath that features a freestanding tub with walk-thru tiled shower.

Every selection was chosen with great care and detail by the award-winning builder and designer.

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5 tips to modernize your home office

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The pandemic transformed the way Americans lived and worked. While public health restrictions are lifting, many people may continue to work from home at least part of the time. More than half (54%) of employed adults whose job responsibilities can be done from home say they'd want to work from home all or most of the time when the coronavirus outbreak is over, according to a recent Pew Research survey.

If your temporary workspace has become permanent, there are several easy ways to modernize your space for productivity and comfort.

Manage your acoustics

Sound waves carry through the air and maybe a distraction throughout the day. Not all soundproofing techniques eliminate noise but there are a few simple ways to reduce it. If your home office has tile or hardwood floors, adding rugs to your work area can help prevent sound from moving around the room. Installing a door sweep on the bottom of your door can help reduce noise coming into your home office when your door is closed.

Organize your essentials

To improve the professional look and feel of your workspace, make sure you have

adequate storage for reference materials and other frequently used items. If your home office is in a small space, consider adding vertical storage. If you need a more dynamic storage solution, consider adding built-in shelving. A professional remodeler can help you achieve your home office organizational goals.

Upgrade your lighting

A mix of natural and artificial lights can boost your mood and productivity. If your home office space doesn't have a natural light source, it's best to add task lighting at your workstation to help boost your energy and avoid eye strain. A well-lit space is essential but make

sure it doesn't interfere with the work you are trying to accomplish. Position your computer monitor to avoid a glare coming in from a window or overhead light.

Create a professional backdrop

Video calls and teleconferences have made individuals more aware of the space they are working in and presenting to their clients or colleagues. Tastefully displayed items such as plants, diplomas, books or art can project a professional aesthetic. Avoid positioning yourself while on a video call in front of clutter or a window without the blinds or shades drawn. The clutter can be a distraction and natural light in your background can conflict with

your computer or webcam lighting adjustments.

Declutter your space

An unkept workstation can be distracting and reduce your productivity if you spend time trying to look for items in and around your desk. One of the biggest items of clutter in a home office is paper, so a simple filing solution can clear some of the space. Keep the top five items you use on a daily basis while you're working from home within reach. If you have too many items, it might be time to get a bigger desk or relocate your workspace.

For more home office design tips or to find a remodeler to help you create the perfect office space, visit HBATC.com.



An advertisement for Perfection Glass. The top left features the company logo, which includes a stylized window graphic and the text "Perfection GLASS" and "WINDOW & DOOR REPLACEMENT". Below the logo is a list of services: "Window & door replacement", "New construction windows & doors", "Shower doors & enclosures", "Entry doors", and "Storm doors". At the bottom of the list, it says "Schedule your FREE in-home estimate." and "Call (509) 586-1177.". The right side of the advertisement shows a photograph of a dining room with a round wooden table, two chairs, and a large window with a view of a green landscape. A chandelier hangs from the ceiling. The bottom right corner of the advertisement has the website "perfectionglass.com" and the hashtag "#PERFEI-24102".



#2 Pahlisch Homes Inc.



WestCliffe Heights
2150 Legacy Lane, Richland
3,070 square feet



With a fusion of transitional and urban elements, this Pahlisch home features a sleek design that enhances the stunning views of the Tri-Cities. In the exclusive Westcliffe Heights community, this 3070-square-foot rambler incorporates 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, a flex room, and a private owner's suite with luxurious bathroom and large walk-in closet. The "heart" of the home includes a spacious, functional, gourmet kitchen that flows into the great room

and outdoor living spaces. The "Sandoval" floorplan is perfect for entertaining, or having a relaxing evening at home. All of these features combine to create a stunning home, both inside and out. Show us your favorite feature of this home by posting a picture of it on social media using #PahlischHomes.

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Perhaps it's at that moment when you realize that avocado green and harvest gold are no longer the "in" colors for today's trendy kitchens. Or maybe you have an epiphany one day as you stand in line to use your own bathroom.

Whatever the impetus, the thought crosses your mind: Maybe it's time to start a home remodel. The reasons for home remodeling are as varied as the projects we undertake.

Some of these include:

- Adding more space.
- Upgrading cabinets, counters, appliances and fixtures.
- Creating a floor plan

that's customized for your lifestyle.

- Improving energy efficiency with new windows, doors, insulation and climate control systems.
- Increasing the resale value of your home.

Where to begin

The first step is to develop an idea of what you want to do with your home remodel. Write a prioritized list of your needs and wants.

There are many sources to find design ideas for your home remodeling project. Look at magazines and websites and collect pictures of homes or remodeling projects you like. The more clearly you can envision the project and describe it on paper, the better prepared you'll be in making your decision.

Think about traffic pat-

terns, furniture size and placement, colors, lighting and how you expect to use the remodeled space. If your decision to remodel involves creating better access for someone with limited mobility, you may want to consider contacting a certified aging-in-place specialist.

You may want to improve home efficiency and hire a professional remodeler for green home remodeling. These projects include replacing windows and doors, upgrading heating and cooling systems, adding insulation and other remodeling to make the home more energy-efficient, easier to maintain and comfortable.

Figure out how much money you have to spend on the home remodeling job, furnishings, landscaping or any other cost you might incur.

Can you do it yourself?

Once you have created your list of priorities, you'll need to decide how to accomplish that vision. For those who are handy, a do-it-yourself project can be both rewarding and cost-effective.

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How to choose a homebuilder

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If you're in the market for a new home, you should shop for your builder as carefully as you shop for your home.

Whether you are buying a condo, a townhouse, a home in a subdivision or a custom-built house, you want to know that you are buying a good quality home from a reputable builder.

Here are some tips to help you choose a builder:

Make a list of possible builders

Once you have thought about the type of house you want, you can create a list of potential builders.

- Visit HBATC.com to obtain a list of builders who construct homes in your area.
- Look in the real estate section of your local newspapers for builders and projects. Looking through the ads and reading the articles can help you to learn which builders are active in your area, the types of homes they are

building and the prices you can expect to pay. Make a list of builders who build the type of home you're looking for in your price range.

- Local real estate agents also may be able to help you in your search.
- Ask friends and relatives for recommendations. Ask about builders they have dealt with directly, or ask them for names of acquaintances who have recently had a good experience with a builder.

Do your homework

When you have a list of potential builders, it's time to start asking lots of questions – of both the potential builders and the owners of their homes.

- Interview potential homebuilders to get the answers to all the questions you have.
- Visit a builder's recently built homes and subdivisions. Drive by and see if the homes are visually appealing.
- When you talk to builders, take along a notebook to record the information you find and your personal impressions

about specific builders and homes. Doing so will help you to make comparisons later.

Shop for quality and value

Look at new homes whenever you can. Home shows and open houses sponsored by builders are great opportunities to look at homes.

Model homes and houses displayed in home shows are often furnished to give you ideas for using the space. You may also ask a builder to see unfurnished homes.

When examining a home, look at the quality of the construction features.

Inspect the quality of the cabinetry, carpeting, trim work and paint.

Ask the builder or the builder's representative a lot of questions. Get as many specifics as possible.

If you receive the answers verbally rather than in writing, take notes. Never hesitate to ask a question. What seems like an insignificant question might yield an important answer.



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This beautiful custom modern farmhouse features a timber-framed entry to welcome family and friends. Metal roof accents, large covered porches and a mix of lap siding give this house its farmhouse flair.

Inside, this home feels open and relaxed, with the main living areas flowing into one another. This farmhouse has three bedrooms, three bathrooms, wood and tile floors, custom cabinets and quartz countertops.

The private owner's suite features a luxurious bathroom with soaking tub, large shower of glass, tile and stone

with rain style shower head, and a huge walk-in closet with plenty of space for organization.

The open floor plan flows from the entry to the great room and the large country style chef's kitchen with custom cabinets, farm-style sink and quartz counter tops.

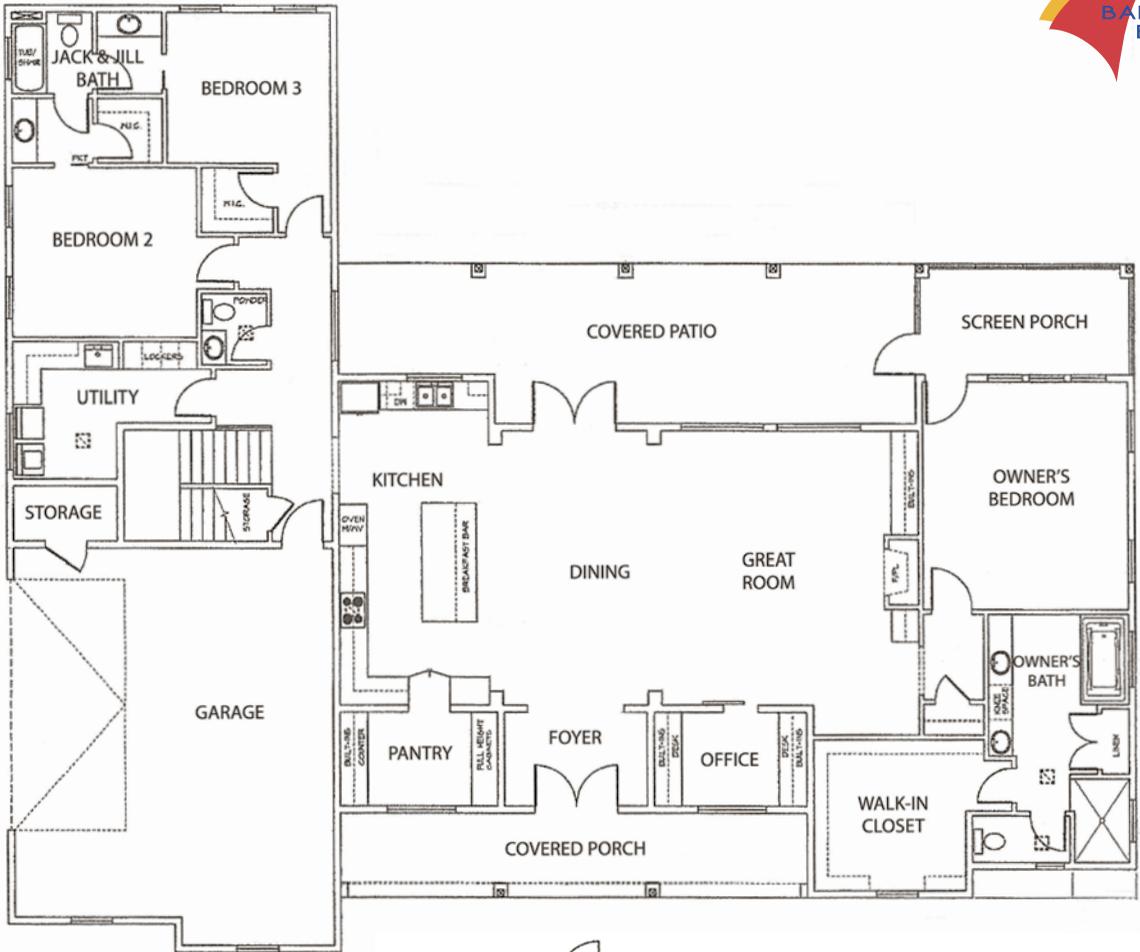
A large island in the kitchen provides plenty of counter space for prepping and enjoying casual meals. Relax on the large covered back porch.

This modern farmhouse features tons of amenities with special style. Everything has a place in the generous

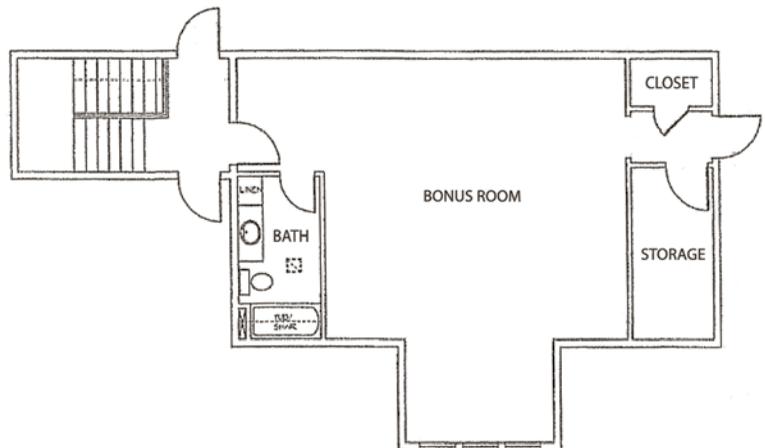
space of the custom mudroom, with special areas to drop off bags, books, boots, hang coats and more.

The fireplace warms the spacious great room, giving you a cozy place to relax when the weather is chilly. An office with barn doors just off the main entrance allows you to work from home with ease. The stairs lead up to the huge media and game room which has a full bathroom.

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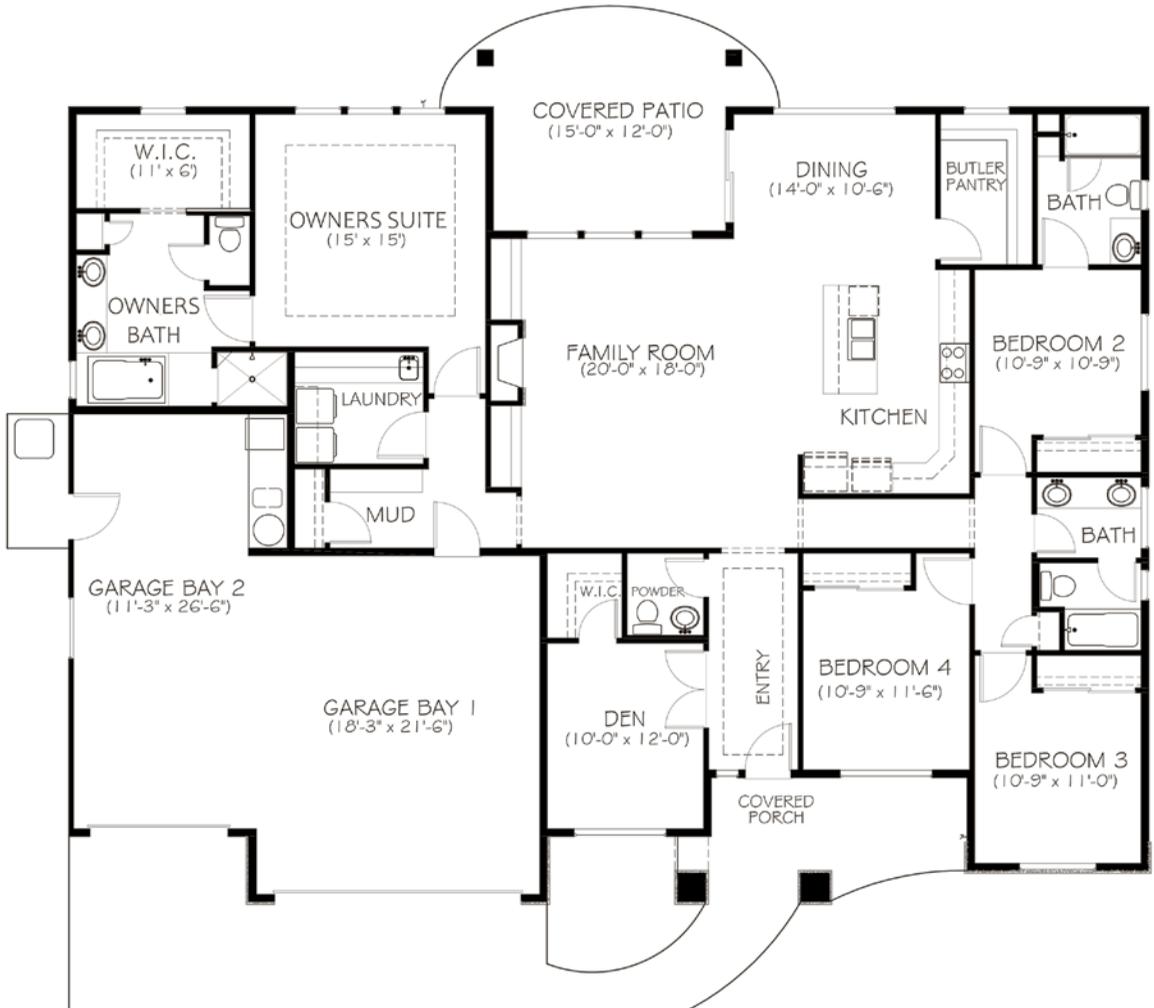
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The Odessa floor plan features top-notch craftsmanship, with incredible attention to detail throughout. The main floor offers a spacious family room, four bedrooms, a den and a covered patio with views of the surrounding countryside. This house features extra cabinetry, a generous amount of storage space, and 3.5 bathrooms. Combine

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Hiring a professional remodeler can yield many benefits

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After spending more time at home this year, you may be ready to give your dwelling a refresh. A remodel can modernize your home and add more value. Before you start a project big or small, consider finding and hiring a professional remodeler. Working with an expert has many benefits. A remodeler can provide a wealth of experience, professional integrity and solve any design challenges you may encounter during your project.

Experience on the job site

Do you know what to expect when you remove a wall? How will you dispose of the old materials? Exactly how much new material are you going to need? What is the precise sequence of steps to finish the job?

Professional remodelers understand all the intricacies of the project and can provide you with a project timeline. Plus, many contractors have

specialized knowledge and contacts to get the best prices on materials and labor. As a trained expert, a remodeler has a firm grasp of the requirements to meet city ordinances, regulations and permits.

Business management and integrity

A large component of being a professional remodeler is maintaining a reputable business. This includes integrating best practices, writing clear contracts, having insurance, providing warranties and more.

A professional remodeler will be able to provide you with a copy of their business license, as well as show proof of their workers' compensation and liability insurance. This will protect you from liability in situations involving job site injuries or property damage resulting from the work being done on your home.

Better business management means better service for

homeowners because they can rely on the remodeler to perform with integrity.

Customizing to fit your needs

Home remodeling frequently involves problem solving, such as maximizing existing space, strategically building additions or navigating limited budgets. Professional remodelers can help homeowners manage such challenges and meet their needs while staying within the budget. Proper training and invaluable experience help remodelers identify the various options and solutions to satisfy their customers.

If your goal is a well-executed project, then your best bet is to hire a professional remodeler. By investing in their expertise now, you will get to enjoy the tangible benefits of high-quality craftsmanship for many years to come.

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5 ways transform small spaces in your home

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With more time spent at home this year, finding space for everyone to work, play and relax may be a challenge. A re-organization or remodel of a small area in your home can make the difference if you are looking for more space. A solid plan with carefully selected design elements can turn any unused space into a cozy haven for you and your family to enjoy. The following steps can help you reimagine underutilized areas in your home.

Create a plan

Once you've narrowed down what space you plan to transform, think about how you are going to use your space. An area for a home gym, reading nook or play

area for the children all have different functionalities and require distinct design approaches. This critical first step will help you determine the room flow, furniture, fixtures and storage solutions.

Embrace natural light

An instant way to add volume to any space is to increase natural light. Windows, skylights or glass doors are magnets for natural light to shine through any small space. A professional remodeler can help you explore your options for windows or natural light installations. Mirrors are also a great way to make a small space feel larger by reflecting the light and making the room look bigger visually.

Select neutral paint colors

Walls and floors with light and solid colors can help make

any room feel bigger. Experts recommend two colors for your space, one overall hue and one accent color. Too many colors or too dark of a color palette will make the room look smaller and busy. You can add a splash of color with a rug, pillow, work of art or room accessory.

Rethink your furniture

When planning for larger items in your space, think about functionality. Do you need a desk and a bookshelf, or can you buy furniture that can serve as both? Fewer pieces of furniture in your small room can make a tiny space seem like it has more square footage. Different types of furniture with built-in storage solutions, such as side tables or seats, will make your room visually less crowded.

A professional remodeler can install shelving or cabinets if you need alternative storage solutions.

Balance your décor

The final step is personalizing your small space. While it may be tempting to place everything in your new room, remember to keep the space simplified and free of clutter to avoid making the area feel smaller. Generally, interior designers recommend having some empty space known as “negative space” to make positive elements in the room stand out and create visual comfort.

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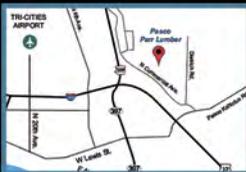
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Americans say housing is a good investment

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Homeownership benefits millions of Americans across the country. In addition to having a place to call home and a sense of community, many people buy homes to help build their wealth. A primary residence was the largest asset among households across age groups, according to the 2019 Survey of Consumer Finances.

How does housing measure up to other investments, like the stock market? Not surprising, many Americans view homeownership as a sound investment to provide financial security.

A recent study by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York found that most households view housing as

a good investment in comparison to the stock market. When asked whether a young couple should buy a primary residence or invest in the stock market, more than 90% of the survey respondents chose housing. The survey was conducted in February 2020 (largely before the Covid-19 outbreak in the United States), October 2020 and February 2021.

Many survey respondents also view rental property as another viable pathway to generate returns. When asked to choose between investing in a rental property or the overall stock market, more than 50% of the households recommended housing each time the survey was administered. In selecting housing as a better investment

over the stock market, most survey respondents cited desired living environment and provides stability, housing prices less volatile, and higher house prices as their primary reasons.

Americans view housing, as a primary residence or as rental property, as a good investment compared to the stock market.

Many homeowners count on their home equity to fund retirement, their children's education and other important needs. In addition to an investment opportunity, owning a home represents a big part of the American Dream and provides a solid foundation for families.

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What homeowners need to know about lead paint

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) enacted a new rule for professional contractors in April 2010 to help protect children from the dangers of lead dust exposure.

If you live in a home built before 1978 and you're contemplating any work that will disturb more than six square feet of painted surfaces inside the home or 20 square feet on the exterior of the home, for example, replacing a window, installing cabinets, or adding on to your home, the contractor you hire is required by law to be trained and certified by the EPA.

Here are some other considerations:

Find a certified renovator

Keep your family safe from the dangers of lead exposure by hiring an EPA Lead-Safe Certified Renovator. Professional remodelers who have achieved EPA lead-safe certification are trained and prepared to work in pre-1978 homes for minimizing dust and potential lead paint exposures. These workers also have certified

their firms and will carry an EPA seal verifying their qualifications to follow lead-safe work practices. Certified renovators have the knowledge and tools to contain dust and keep your family safe. Do not attempt remodeling work yourself or hire an uncertified remodeler, as this puts you or a family member at risk of lead poisoning. Call your local home builders' association for a list of certified remodelers or use EPA's online tool to find a certified renovator near you.

Get educated

Your certified renovator will provide you a copy of the Renovate Right brochure produced by the EPA. This brochure describes the dangers of lead poisoning and how the practices of the remodeler will be employed to contain dust, clean, and minimize the dangers of lead paint exposure.

Pay attention to warning signs and do not enter containment areas.

The certified renovator will post warning signs and set up areas of containment using plastic to keep dust under control. Pay attention to these notices and stay away from these

areas. The remodeler uses these techniques and lead-safe work practices to minimize lead dust exposure.

Consider testing for lead

You may ask the certified renovator to use LeadCheck or D-Lead test kits for testing certain surfaces for lead. If the test comes back negative, the remodeler will not need to use lead-safe work practices because the component has tested lead-free.

Alternatively, a homeowner may choose to hire a certified risk assessor or lead inspector to conduct testing in the home for lead. Any pre-1978 home can be tested for lead and if the results are negative, the EPA lead rule does not apply.

Maintain records

After the remodeling job is complete, the EPA certified renovator will share records with you, such as a checklist describing the work practices used and any results from lead testing. Be sure to keep these records and share them with the next homeowner if you should sell your home.



First-time homebuyers should assess their financial fitness

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Buying a home for the first time can be a rewarding experience. A home is an investment and place for you and your family to call your own. There are many steps involved in buying a home. Before you fall in love with a property or contact a real estate agent, it is important to make sure your finances are in order. To help your home purchase go smoothly, you should know where you stand financially. To help you assess your financial fitness for your home purchase, consider the following:

Check your credit score

Your score will help you determine the financing options available to you and your score will impact your mortgage

terms. Lenders check credit scores to determine if a borrower has a record of on-time payments to gauge the likelihood of repaying the mortgage. The higher your credit score, the more financing options and lower interest rates will be available to you.

Set a realistic budget

How much house can I afford is one of the first questions first-time homebuyers ask themselves. Experts say that your total monthly home expenses should not exceed more than one-third of your gross monthly income. As you prepare a budget, make sure to include your estimated housing costs and down payment. Your estimated housing costs should not only include your mortgage payment but also other factors

such as your estimated annual property taxes, home insurance and loan terms (how long you would like to pay off your mortgage).

Shop around for mortgage rates

To secure the best financing deal for your new home, make sure to shop around for a home loan. Comparing costs may save you a significant amount of money in the long run. If you need assistance, a mortgage lender can help provide guidance on the various loan options available. There are several types of mortgages available, including FHA, conventional, adjustable rate and fixed rate. You'll need to learn more about each mortgage to figure out which option works best for you.

Know your down payment options

The longstanding first-time homebuyer myth is that you need a 20% down payment to buy a home. There are several loan programs and options available to allow buyers to move forward with purchasing a home with a much smaller down payment. Determining how much you should put down is a personal decision based on your financial status.

Get pre-qualified or pre-approved

While the terms “pre-qualified” or “pre-approved” seem interchangeable, they vary in terms of purchasing a home. If you get pre-qualified for a home, you’ll learn how much money you will be able to borrow based on your financial

profile, which includes a credit check. When you pre-qualify, you learn more about your financial readiness and will get an introduction to the mortgage options available to you. To get pre-approved for a mortgage, you provide more details about your financial status to a lender as well as a credit check. After the lender verifies your information, you will receive a letter of the amount and type of mortgage available to you. In a competitive real estate market, a pre-approval letter shows sellers and real estate agents that you are a serious buyer ready to make an offer on a home.

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Parade To Go

Due to the challenges surrounding Covid-19, the supply chain issues it created, as well as the overall shortage of new homes in Tri-Cities, the HBA is unable to offer its popular Chefs on Parade™ this year.

To help fill the void the cancellation caused, an

alternate food event, Parade of Homes™ To Go will be launched. This one-time only event will be held Saturday, Sept. 11. Attendees of this exclusive premier night will be able to sample dishes from some of the Tri-Cities' favorite food trucks and popups.

All of the net proceeds will be donated to local charities, including the Wishing Star Foundation.

If you were unable to purchase tickets to the event, we encourage you to support local by giving these participating eateries a try.

Participating Eateries



Parade To Go – Doggie Style Gourmet



Chef Name: Tanner Guy & Andrew Chilton
Restaurant: Doggie Style Gourmet
Phone: 509-800-7110
Website: doggiestylegourmet.com
Cuisine Style: American

Andrew Chilton and Tanner Guy are both professionally trained chefs with the dream of bringing great-tasting, fresh, and locally-sourced food options to their hometown in Tri-Cities. Their love for their local community extends beyond preparing

gourmet hot dogs. They are passionate about creating community partnerships, community development and supporting other local marketplaces, businesses and charities.

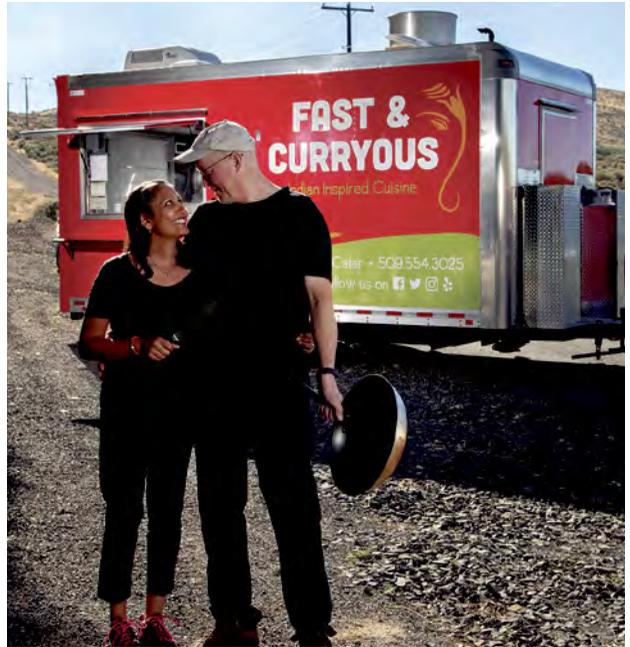
With their prior experience in up scale dining, Tanner

and Andrew started Doggie Style Gourmet in 2016 with one hot dog cart. With the help of their team, they have grown the business to two hot dog carts and a food truck. You can find them around the Tri-Cities at a number of food truck and community events.

Parade To Go – Fast & Curryous



Chef Names: David Stenoien & Kavita Patel-Stenoien
Restaurant: Fast and Curryous
Phone: 509-554-3025
Website: fastandcurryous.net
Cuisine Style: Asian Indian



David Stenoien and Kavita Patel-Stenoien jumped head-first into the food business by opening the Indian inspired Fast and Curryous mobile food trailer a little over four years ago. While they serve many traditional Indian dishes, they also have developed Indian fusion dishes like their popular tikka tacos and pakora waffles.

In addition to providing food to customers who appreciate ethnic cuisines, they also strive to make their food more approachable for many who

may be reluctant to sample new cuisines. Fast and Curryous is mostly mobile but can be found on a consistent basis at White Bluffs brewing on Thursdays and at Moonshot Brewing on Fridays. They also are frequently found at various wineries and special events around the region. A full schedule of times and locations can be found on their social media pages and website (fastandcurryous.net). In addition, they cater parties, meetings and private events where they can provide

their customers with pre-made meals and platters for pick up or delivery or full food truck service.

David and Kavita pride themselves on providing healthy yet flavorful meals by using fresh, often locally-sourced ingredients, and offering multiple vegetarian and vegan options. They also make their own spice blends, fresh paneer and have recently launched a line of simmering sauces for customers to make their own curry dishes at home.

Parade To Go – Frost Me Sweet



Chef names: Megan & Jason Savely

Restaurant: Frost Me Sweet Bakery & Bistro

Phone: 509-420-4707

Website: frostmesweet.com

Cuisine Style: Pacific Northwest



Megan Savely began working as a dishwasher in a restaurant at the age of 13, and worked her way up as a cook, a server, and eventually into management. Combining her passion for baking and artistry with her insatiable sweet tooth Megan created Frost Me Sweet in 2009 with a mission to make not only the best looking cakes, but the best tasting as well. Megan then opened Sweet Beans, a small coffee and cupcake shop where she created her works of art.

Growing up in the family restaurant in the heart of Iowa farm country, Jason Savely learned early on the tricks

and trades of cooking great food using fresh ingredients. Jason came from a family of hunters and trappers and spent many summers cleaning and cooking wild meats. From this came Jason's love for a good steak, the perfect duck breast and a few mean recipes for snapping turtle. After leaving Iowa, Jason spent years traveling the country with his dad, learning recipes from friends along the way, from the Northeast to the South, before landing here in the great Northwest. Jason worked at multiple restaurants before becoming a wildland firefighter in an initial response unit and later becoming a foreman on

his construction crew.

In 2011 the couple opened Frost Me Sweet Bakery & Bistro, a marriage of her love for baking, and his love for cooking. You can find Jason on the line cooking daily and creating some of his amazing recipes.

Megan and Jason have had their incredible talents featured on Food Network's "Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives" and "Christmas Cookie Challenge".

Frost Me Sweet will offer its sinful sweets from their Mobile Cupcake Truck at the Parade of Homes™ To Go event.

Parade To Go – Hot Mess Burgers and Fries



Chef Name: **Chris Nokes**

Restaurant: **Hot Mess Burgers and Fries**

Phone: **503-951-8862**

Website: **[facebook.com/hotmessburgersandfries](https://www.facebook.com/hotmessburgersandfries)**

Cuisine Style: **American New Traditional**

Chef Chris has been in the culinary industry for more than 15 years, with experience ranging from fine dining to greasy spoon diners.

He uses his extensive and eclectic background to create

new and exciting burgers every week.

Its namesake burger features a 1/3-lb cheesy beef smash patty over lettuce and covered in grilled onions and jalapeños, with a spicy

Sriracha aioli.

Hot Mess Burgers and Fries operates as a ghost restaurant out of Red Mountain Kitchen with a no shortcuts, from scratch approach to casual dining.

Parade To Go – Taqueria Chilisco



**TAQUERIA
CHILISCO**

Chef Name: Arturo Rodriguez

Restaurant: Taqueria Chilisco

Phone: 509-380-8181

**Website: [facebook.com/TaqueriaChilisco](https://www.facebook.com/TaqueriaChilisco)
or [Instagram.com/Taqueria_Chilisco](https://www.instagram.com/Taqueria_Chilisco)**

Cuisine Style: Authentic Mexican

Taqueria Chilisco is a local family-owned business who was started by two friends that brought two Mexican state recipes and authentic food together. The taco truck name comes from the first three letters of the state of Chihuahua and the last five letters of the state of Jalisco.

It's most requested food item is the birria (Jalisco-style braised meat with spiced multiple-chile sauce) tacos and mulitas, a melted cheesy

mini-quesadilla stuffed with birria. The birria mulitas combined with a bright red consommé is likely the reason that they are so addictive.

Other favorites include traditional tacos with cilantro, onions, salsa and your choice of meat such as carne asada, adobada, chicken, chorizo, pastor and fish. It also offers hefty handmade corn quesadillas and huaraches, if you're extra hungry. If you want to bring an authentic

taste of family and Mexican tradition to your next event or special occasion, Chilisco has you covered with catering options, too. For now, Chilisco is located in downtown Kennewick on the corner of Washington Street and Columbia Drive. Throughout the summer Chilisco is at the Pasco Flea Market on the weekends. Visit our Facebook and Instagram page to book your next event.



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REALITY: You should get pre-approved before starting your home search. That way you know your budget, you're ready to act fast on the perfect home, and your offer will be stronger to sellers.

MYTH #2

Always start with your lowest offer when buying a home.

REALITY: In a competitive market like we have today, you may not get a second chance. So come with your "highest and best" the first time.

MYTH #3

It's better to price your house on the high side when you're selling.

REALITY: A house that's priced at true market value in our competitive market will likely sell faster and attract multiple offers. Giving the seller room to negotiate a better deal.

MYTH #4

All Realtors are equal in the value they bring to the table.

REALITY: You want a realtor who adds value to the transaction. One who is knowledgeable about our current market, uses top-knotch marketing, is good at negotiating and is All In For, You!

MYTH #5

Fewer homes on the market are creating an inventory problem.

REALITY: More homes sold in 2020 than previous years and we are on track to beat the record again. That being said homes are selling quickly so it's important to have your ducks in a row.

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