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Dear Reader,



May brings us Mother's Day, Memorial Day and the end of another school year. As kids prepare for finals (and summer vacation!) we celebrate Mom and pause to honor the men and women who paid the ultimate price to ensure our privilege of freedom.

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Recipes!

Mothers' Day and More!



In addition to celebrating mom with a special Mother's Day Breakfast menu, we offer quintessential quiches, Italian meatball sliders and something for those who prefer their meals meatless, a delicious Tortellini pepperoncini salad. All that and so much more. Enjoy!

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Expand With Color, Increase Your Storage

The Right Way to Add Color to Your Home



May is derived from the Latin "Maia", meaning "expansion and increase". Expand on your home's color potential while using some great ideas that dramatically increase its storage.


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Consumer Corner

5 Ways To Fall Victim To Credit Card Fraud



Consumer Corner continues its quest to bring you up to date, reliable and useable consumer-home owner related information. This month we look into ways to help you avoid being a victim of credit card fraud, questions to ask if you're considering changing banks, how to hold a successful open house, ways to save money on home maintenance and much more. Read on!

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Health & Wellness

With kids getting out of school this month, we turn the Health and Wellness spotlight on children's safety: on the internet and in the pool. In addition, a new study shows that faith may complement treatment for mental illness. Finally, self-care for diabetes is slowly improving a study finds. That and more in May H&W!




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FOR MOM ON MOTHERS' DAY



A BAKER'S DOZEN OF QUOTES IN PRAISE OF MOM.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

I remember my mother's prayers and they have always followed me. They have clung to me all my life.
– Abraham Lincoln

There is no way to be a perfect mother, and a million ways to be a good one.
– Jill Churchill

The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother.
– Theodore Hesburgh

When your mother asks, 'Do you want a piece of advice?' it is a mere formality. It doesn't matter if you answer yes or no. You're going to get it anyway.
– Erma Bombeck

Biology is the least of what makes someone a mother.
– Oprah Winfrey

If you bungle raising your children, I don't think whatever else you do well matters very much.
– Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis

As is the mother, so is her daughter.
– Ezekiel 16:44

When you were small and just a touch away, I covered you with blankets against the cold night air. But now that you are tall and out of reach, I fold my hands and cover you with prayer.
– Dona Maddux Cooper

Sweater, n.: garment worn by child when its mother is feeling chilly.
– Ambrose Bierce

To describe my mother would be to write about a hurricane in its perfect power.
– Maya Angelou

What my mother believed about cooking is that if you worked hard and prospered, someone else would do it for you.
– Nora Ephron

If evolution really works, how come mothers only have two hands?
– Milton Berle

All mothers are working mothers.
– Author Unknown