

## RFG Wealth Advisory Newsletter



Summer is always a fun season at the Robinson house. We have all our children at home and we get to spend more time with them.

We just got back from a week at the Seaside area in Florida. We had perfect timing as it was the week before Memorial Day and the crowds were not bad at all. Seaside is a more relaxed area and great for a relaxing get away. Five other families went as well, and we had some great get togethers. Our last day there may be my favorite. We drove to Destin and ate at Dewey Destin's right on the waterfront. Great view of all the boats and ships and incredible seafood!

We then went to the military plane museum right outside of Destin airport which is connected to Eglin Air Force Base. It was amazing seeing all these historic planes including the SR -71 Blackbird.







Plane my grandfather flew in WWII

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My oldest son Henry is home following his first year at Texas Tech. He is already working and enjoys making some spending money! He enjoyed his first year and got the full college experience including living in a dorm.

My second son Jacob is preparing for his senior year in high school and senior year on the Argyle Football team. Argyle was reclassified into 5A Division II so this year will be difficult. He is working hard to have a great senior season. He aspires to play college football, so this is an important season for him and his teammates. He plans on working some this summer as well. He has recently taken up golf and enjoys playing with his friends. It is hard to believe that Jacob will be entering his last year of high school and high school sports. I cherish the memories of all the baseball, basketball and football games over the last 12 years. It has kept us very close over the years. So many great memories. One story in particular I will share





It was Father's Day about 4 years ago. Jacob's team made the finals in a baseball tournament. They were playing a team that was truthfully much better than we were. Some how we managed to keep the game close but were down 2 runs in the last inning. There were two outs in the last inning, and we all thought the game was over. Their opponent brought in a new pitcher and walked the first two batters. Jacob was standing in the on-deck circle and I was sitting close to the fence. It was his turn to bat now with the game on the line. He looked at me and told me he was going to win the game for me for Father's day. I was nervous enough for him already without him saying that!



First pitch was a high fastball and he swung and hit a homerun and won the game and the tournament. After he was mobbed at the plate by his teammates he looked at me all cool and collected and said "I told you I was going to win the game for you!" There are many other stories like that about Jacob's sports career, we have enjoyed it thoroughly.

My third son Ben recently turned 15 and will be a freshman at Argyle High School. He will be in the marching band so that will be fun watching two of my sons perform on Friday night. He also has joined the power lifting team. He has made amazing strides already and is getting quite strong! Ben has recently received his driver's permit which is both exciting and scary!! I told him we may need to concentrate on driving in big, isolated parking lots for a while.









My daughter Molly finished the fifth grade and will be going to middle school this fall. She will be in band and play the trombone just like her brother Ben. Ben and Molly are very close and Ben has been teaching her some notes on his trombone. It is quite interesting having two trombones playing at the same time in my living room! It will be 10 years this summer since I went to China to pick up Molly. Hard to believe that time has passed so quickly! She is a very hard worker and very demanding of herself at school. We expect big things in her future.

Summer is my wife Joyce's favorite time of year. She enjoys the warm weather and loves having all her children close. She loves going to the beach, so our Florida trip was wonderful for her.

As for me I continue to work a lot and will try to stay cool this summer. I actually do enjoy working in the yard and taking care of my fruit trees. I have 40 trees now of different varieties. All the trees bloomed beautifully this year but very few produced fruit. I have seen almost zero bees and very few wasps, etc. so I believe they were not pollinated. I may need the help of a beekeeper in the future!!

I have a true passion for helping people with their financial and wealth management. I am so thankful to have so many wonderful clients and become a part of their lives. I am very much looking forward to seeing each of you this summer. Send me an email of your summer plans!

Regards, Chris Robinson President, RFG Wealth Advisory



## Travel is back for the Dawsons! We're out there and loving it!



With all the pent-up energy for travel from 2020 and 2021, we've taken two glorious trips to Puerto Vallarta and Germany this year. They are entirely different experiences but both equally satisfying.

In March 2020, we had our bags packed to fly to Europe for our first-ever river cruise with Viking. We've rolled this trip forward along with many other people and were able to explore the Rhine River this year with good friends from San Antonio. After two years of building expectations, I was afraid that I might be disappointed, but Viking exceeded every one of them.

RFG clients and friends have been asking, "how was it?". "Mask or no mask?"

Well, it's complicated.

When we flew to Europe, US airports still required everyone to mask. Once we arrived in Amsterdam, we weren't required to mask except on public transportation and select public buildings. When we flew home, the mask mandate had been lifted. There are still 10% of people masking no matter where you are, and I see this as an ongoing trend. Daily saliva tests on the ship were performed for all guests and crew, so we felt very safe that everyone there was healthy. At the end of April, we were comfortable traveling overseas and can't wait to do it again.



**Susan Dawson** 

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Viking seems to have bridged the gap between perception of cruising as constant over-indulgence to amazing food and drink but daily activity including walking tours, biking, and hiking. They also offered amazing cultural content in each port including a professor from University of Cologne with a talk on life in Germany to musical artists performing classical pieces on violin and guitar. Viking lived up to their byline, "The thinking man's cruise."

Puerto Vallarta was a condo and beach type get away with friends from Flower Mound. The weather there is perfect in February. We had relaxing days on the beach and in the pool then each night dinner out at a select restaurant. This was the perfect winter get away and we can't wait to go back.

**Cathedral in Cologne** 



**Emilio Gonzalez** 



Here in Argyle, we're celebrating RFG Wealth's success, incredible clients, and professional associates. My transition from Director of Operations/Compliance & Marketing to full-time Marketing is such a sweet spot for me, and I love a four-day work week.

Thanks for being a part of RFG Wealth Advisory. There's so much richness in working with each of you that my days are filled with joy. Enjoy an amazing summer.



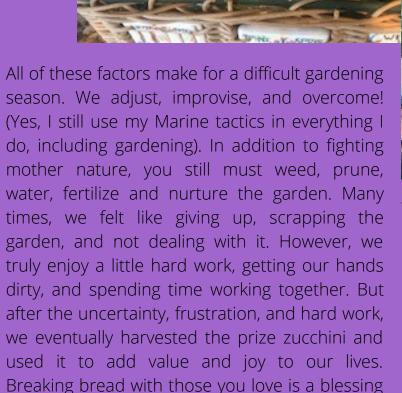
## **Breaking Bread**

The kitchen counter is the most common hang-out area in our house. It is where most of our family's impromptu conversations and worldly discussions occur and, quite frankly, one of my favorite activities with the family. Recently, my mother made a loaf of zucchini bread from the harvest of our summer garden. As we gathered around the kitchen, sharing (devouring) the loaf of bread, we laughed and enjoyed each other's company. I thought about how special this moment was and everything it took to share that moment.



That zucchini used for the bread began last year as a seed we started in our greenhouse. We lost all of our seedlings in the winter storm 2021 and had to try in 2022 again. We cultivated that seed and carefully planned when to move it from the greenhouse to the outdoor garden. Texas weather is challenging and unpredictable. If you plant too soon you may get another cold snap; too late and it is too hot. We actually put some plants out at different times to hedge against the unpredictable Texas weather. But timing is not the only obstacle. This spring, we had very high winds, heavy rains, and screwy "wabbits." In previous years it was blister beetles, grasshoppers, no rain, and a bumper crop of Johnson

grass.





beyond the greatest of blessings.

There is always a similar lesson (This is where my kids will roll their eyes). Like our investments, we all work hard for our money and want to see it grow and be productive. Like this garden, there are always obstacles and uncertainty, unforeseen events, and illogical trends, but we must continue to weed, prune, and nurture. We have to be engaged and plant the seeds, plant various things, and harvest at the appropriate times. And only if we do these things can we truly enjoy the original intention, breaking bread with those we love and making memories that last for generations.



Mike Lemich



## School's out... for summer!

Calvin just graduated from Kindergarten and is already telling everyone he knows that he is in first grade now. He also just finished another flag football season, where he got to try his luck at quarterback for the first time. He had fun leading his team through the first three playoff games, while I enjoyed being an assistant coach for the season. He can't wait to pick up flag football again in the fall, although he is excited for his golf camps and swim team this summer.

After taking time off due to an ACL tear and surgery, I have appreciated getting back on the golf course this spring. Calvin and I enjoy going out golfing together, and occasionally Sarah and I will go out to the course for date night. This summer we are looking forward to my family reunion in Utah and Wyoming. It always feels good to go out in the mountains and unwind. We will be visiting Flaming Gorge Reservoir, where we will do some hiking, river rafting, and spending good family time outdoors.

Sarah completed her first year homeschooling Calvin and it went much better than we all expected. They love the freedom and family unity that homeschool brings and are excited to continue the homeschool journey this fall. Anastasia will be our big Kindergartener as well. Anastasia (4) and Carson (1) remain our little monkeys and they are always up for a fun adventure.





Shockingly, the year is halfway over, which means time for reflection and evaluating our goals and progress so far. We are so fortunate to have experienced many blessings so far this year, as well as opportunities for growth. Our family wishes you a happy summer and hope you have a prosperous rest of 2022!

Hello again! I hope everyone had a fantastic end of 2021 and an even better start to 2022! I could literally write a book about how busy we have been as a family, but I will spare you all and give you the cliff notes . The past few months we have celebrated birthdays, Kylie-15, Addison-13, and Emily-11. We now officially have two teenagers in the house at the same time...prayers are appreciated!

We have completed soccer seasons for Addison and Kylie. Kylie's team ending the season on a high note with a championship this past weekend!! Kylie also competed in high school soccer and played Varsity all year long as a freshman and earned her letterman jacket and received a UIL award as a student athlete for academic achievements. She was recognized at her Soccer banquet earlier this year, as her freshman year was an absolute



**Nick Noll** 

success!!



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Addison took some time off from soccer, and got to play with her middle school team this year. She led her team in goals and may just be ready to get back into it fulltime this summer. I have been trying to convince her of this, and think the goals have got her fired up again!

Along with the milestone of adding another teenager to the house, we also officially had our last elementary school year with Emily set to hit middle school next year! Where does the time go?!?!?! Emily also completed a volleyball season with her team losing the championship in the final game but was a GREAT season to build off.

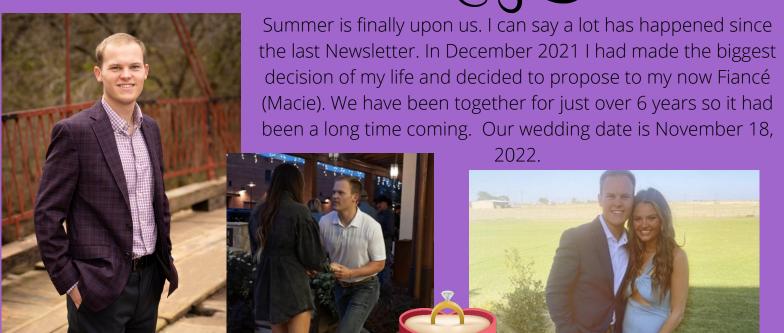


We had a great time celebrating Mother's Day, my kids have one of the best ones around! She keeps this whole family straight somehow.... it's a full-time job! I personally, in-between all the events, have been in the process of studying for the series 65 uniform investment adviser law examination and I will take it in June! A big step in my journey and I am looking forward to it!



We started a tradition with our kids that when they become a teenager, we do a one-on-one trip with them and this summer my wife and I will be taking Addison on her trip (she wants a cruise) and can't wait to share that adventure with you all! I also anticipate lots of countless weekends at the soccer fields but its what we love to do!

I hope everyone has an amazing summer filled with adventure and hopefully some beach time! Cheers, till next time!



**Griffin Marchand** 

Along with that we also have laid our roots down in Denton and purchased our very first home together. I can tell you that we have had a lot on our plates trying to move into the house and getting it organized so it doesn't look like a bachelor pad. Who knew buying a house would come with so many never-ending projects? Right now, I am building a custom electric fireplace box and mantel that will mount to the wall and look seamless. While getting organized I have tried to stay out and about and attend different events ranging from weddings to sporting events.

In 2021 some friends and I started attending the Annual State Farm College Baseball Showdown which happens at the new Globe Life Park in Arlington. We all split a suite for the whole day and watch the Big 12 and the SEC play baseball all day (only 11 hours of baseball). I also make it out to the Dallas Stars games as much as possible. The Stars put up a good fight but sadly didn't make it to the Stanley Cup but there's always next year. Hopefully this summer is just as busy, and many memories come out of it. I wish everyone the best summer!



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