

# In Your Backyard

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This month's In Your Backyard profile is all about how one Highlands Ranch resident reinvented herself.

Although **Vivienne Lloyd** has called Highlands Ranch home for the last six years, this Johannesburg-born entrepreneur has lived the world over. A few years ago, on her fiftieth birthday, the devoted housewife and mother kicked off a new phase in her life by starting Time Creators, Inc.—a residential and commercial housecleaning and party planning company. Vivienne enjoys the challenges of working solo and offers a sneak peek about her dynamic self.

## What do you wish you had more time for?

Taking creative classes—I just signed up for Indian cooking. My volunteer work.

## If you didn't hold your present job, what would you be doing?

Running a Bed and Breakfast.

## Describe your dream vacation.

Since I work long hours and am always 'on the move', I would like to go to the island of Turks and Caicos and relax on the beach.

## What are people most surprised to know about you?

I am South African; most people think I'm British.

## If you could have dinner with any celebrity, who and why?

Condoleezza Rice. I enjoy people who are intelligent and articulate.

## Who has had the greatest influence on you?

My husband, whom I recently lost.

## Your advice to those who desire to start and run their own business?

Do your research beforehand so you know what you are getting yourself into. Be prepared to work long hours and have no life. Surround yourself with successful people to keep you motivated. Accept rejection as part of growth rather than failure.

## Biggest challenge as a female business owner?

Unlike most males, having to prove myself over and over again.

## What would your epitaph say?

She mastered the art of living a happy life.

## Do you clean your own home?

Of course not!

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