Q: When is the deadline for registering?
A: Friday, September 26, but we encourage you to register before then. Remember if you register by August 31, you’ll pay $5 less.

Q: Can I register at the door?
A: Yes, but seating is limited. You may register at the door if space is available. We can only accept cash or checks at the door; correct change is appreciated. In order to guarantee your spot, it would be best if you registered ahead of time. Since we are serving light snacks, it would be helpful if you could register ahead of time so that we can plan accordingly.

Q: Will the prepared recipes be sampled by participants?
A: You’ll sample recipes from the two menus that are demonstrated. Remember that these are only samples, not a meal. We’ll also have some light snacks for you to enjoy during registration from 6:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Q: Will audience members be involved in the preparation?
A: Due to health and food safety concerns, audience members will not participate in cooking or preparation of any recipes. This event is a demonstration only. We’ll have cameras and large-screen TVs so that you’ll be able to see everything that happens on stage.

Q: Who is Darren McGrady?
A: Chef McGrady is the former chef to Queen Elizabeth II, Diana Princess of Wales, and Princes William and Harry. He will serve as MC for the cooking school as well as present “From The Palace to Dallas” as part of the event. He has donated an autographed copy of his cookbook, “Eating Royally: Recipes and Remembrances from a Palace Kitchen,” which includes more than 100 recipes and
150 photos. Proceeds will benefit educational scholarships for Frisco ISD and Collin College culinary students. Tickets are $1 each or 6 for $5 and may be purchased at the event (cash and checks accepted).

Q: What about door prizes?
A: You will be amazed at our door prizes! We have several very generous donors and door prizes include cookbooks, small kitchen appliances, gift cards and gift baskets along with a few surprises. These will be given away during the cooking school. As a bonus, you’ll have the opportunity to win several large prizes. Tickets will be sold for $1 each or 6 for $5 (cash and checks accepted) and you can choose which prizes to place your tickets. Choose one or several depending on how lucky you feel! Winners will be announced at the conclusion of the cooking school and you must be present to win. Proceeds from this will benefit the educational scholarships for Frisco ISD and Collin College culinary students.

Q: What do I get for my registration fee?
A: A lot! Each participant will receive a cookbook with 14 menus (42 recipes) that include an entrée, sides and dessert. Each recipe has a complete nutritional analysis. You’ll find each menu to be quick and simple to prepare and economical. You’ll also get a reusable grocery bag filled with all kinds of recipes, health and nutrition information, a pad and pen plus a free gift from the Texas Beef Council along with other items including a flexible cutting board. Since a lot of our participants will be coming directly from work, we’ll have nutritious light snacks and bottled water when the doors open at 6 pm. Samples of the two menus demonstrated that evening will also be served. Door prizes from area merchants will also be given throughout the evening. The Royal Chef, Darrin McGrady, is serving as MC and will also present “From Palace to Dallas,” which is about the time he spent as Princess Diana’s personal chef.

Q: Can I bring my children?
A: We’re not equipped to handle young children. But if you have older children/teens who are interested in food preparation, be sure to pay their
registration fee. They will be able to prepare several of the recipes in the cookbook that all participants receive.

**Q: If my plans change, can I get a refund?**
**A:** Your registration is transferrable to another person for this event but it’s not refundable.

**Q: How do I register?**
**A:** It’s easy to register! You can go online to TexasHealth.org/Dinner-Tonight and use your credit card. You can also call 1-877-THR-WELL (1-877-847-9355) to pay by credit card or to get directions for mailing a check. If you send a check, make sure that you mail it early enough so that we have it by September 26. This probably means that you’ll need to mail it no later than September 19.

**Q: Can I register my friends when I register?**
**A:** Definitely! It may be easier to call when you do this so that we can get the names of your friends. You can pay either with a credit card when you do this or mail a check. Or your friends can register themselves if that’s easier.

**Q: If I bring several of my friends, can we sit together?**
**A:** Certainly! Seating is open and is first come, first serve. So if you’re with a group, all of you might want to plan to arrive a little early.

**Q: I’m coming from work. What time do the doors open?**
**A:** We’ll be ready for you at 6 pm and the program will begin at 6:30 pm.

**Q: I have a few questions. Can I call you?**
**A:** Definitely! If you have questions about the program itself, please call Carrie Brazeal at 972.424.1460, Ext. 4233 or email c-brazeal@tamu.edu. If you have questions about registering, please call Texas Health at 1-877-847-9355.
Q: Will I receive confirmation of my registration?
A: If you register in time for us to send you confirmation, you definitely will. If you register online, you’ll receive an email. If you mail a check, you’ll receive confirmation by mail if we have time for you to receive it.

Q: If I register online, do I need to bring my confirmation?
A: That would be helpful but we should have your name on our registration sheet if you registered ahead of time.