

KIRSTINE OPENSHAW'S

Drive for CHD Awareness & Making a Lasting Impact



▶ inspirational agent

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While Kirstine Openshaw, CEO REALTOR® of The Openshaw Realty Group at eXp Realty, LLC, has an adventure-filled background that spans continents; she is much more than your ordinary agent. Her story is a testament to resilience, ambition, and the indomitable spirit of the human heart—both metaphorically and literally.

Born in England and spending her youth in the dunes of Egypt and the snow-capped mountains of Switzerland, Kirstine's life has always been anything but ordinary. "I raced camels and stallions after school, sat on the pyramids of Giza evading guards' watchful eyes, and even counted princes and princesses as my school peers," she recalls with a hint of mischief.

This global citizenry shaped Kirstine's spirit, making her adaptable, fearless, and incredibly resourceful. These skills came in handy when she landed in Texas in 2006, seeking a fresh start. She laughs, "I met my trial husband a day after landing. We married soon after—a decision I'd soon realize was hasty."

Through heartaches, long-distance relationships, and personal trials—including the harrowing journey of IVF and bringing two miracle babies into the world, a CHD Warrior & NICU Warrior —Kirstine's fortitude has never waned. However, it was her son's diagnosis with a severe congenital heart defect (CHD), hypoplastic right heart syndrome (Half a Heart), that became the catalyst for her most profound passion. "My son's story," she shares, "is a rollercoaster. The odds were stacked against him. The oldest living person with his condition is in their 40s. There's so much we don't know; so much research needed."



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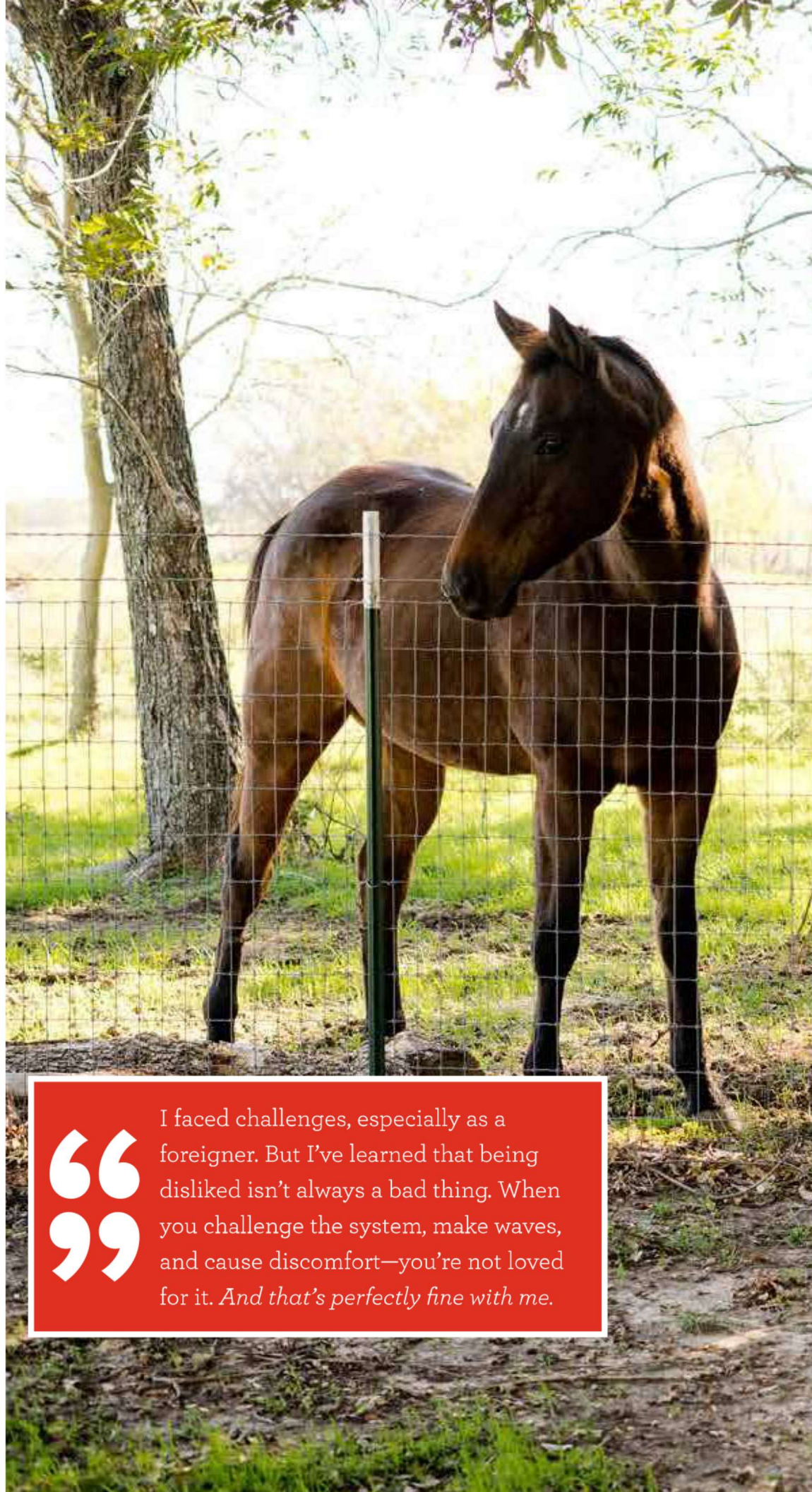
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And challenge the system she does. Kirstine emphasizes the need for educational-based marketing in real estate, noting, "It's not about selling more houses; it's about building a bigger audience that we can help."

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In the vibrant and ever-growing DFW area that she loves, Kirstine envisions a future of immense growth and diversity. Yet, amidst this growth, she also sees an opportunity—a chance to make a difference, to leave a lasting impact.

“I want to be remembered,” Kirstine muses, “for giving my kids the most incredible life, changing the narrative around CHD, and helping countless others achieve their dreams.

Because, at the end of the day, success isn’t about wealth or recognition.

It’s about the ability to help others when they need it and wiping away overwhelm.”

In Kirstine Openshaw’s story, we find a tale of unyielding determination and a heart that refuses to be bound by challenges, be they personal or professional. As she continues to reshape the landscape of real estate in DFW, one thing is certain: Kirstine’s legacy will be one of impact, inspiration, and incredible resilience.