Celebrity Interview: 'RHOD' Star Stephanie Hollman Says Her Life Is All About Her Family





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In the latest celebrity news, *The Real Housewives* franchise has extended to Dallas, Texas to follow the elite and extravagant social scene. In the premiere season, the women are all very open and honest with the struggles they encounter every day. In our exclusive <u>celebrity interview</u>, Stephanie Hollman shares her secrets of being a stay at home mom, how she balances and brings harmony to her marriage, and reveals her best relationship advice.

Stephanie Hollman Reveals Best Relationship Advice

In order to stay connected and create closeness, Hollman, and her husband go to therapy once a week. They talk and pray about anything that is bothering them. They also have date nights every Friday to catch up with each other and have some alone time. "Our kids are respectful of that, you have to make your marriage important," she says. Children can sense when everything is not okay, so it is imperative to set a good example. "Harmony in the household makes a difference in the child's life," Hollman says.

At the end of the day, it all comes down to her children and husband, which are her utmost priority. Hollman and her husband are on the board of the domestic violence agency and they really hope that their children will follow in their footsteps. "I want my sons to treat women respectfully, be chivalrous, and open doors," she says. "I feel like that is lost now. People should make phone calls, not texts." She wants her sons' wives to look at her one day and say thank you for raising such great men. "My life is my children and my family, and as boring as it sounds, it's what makes me happy."

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New to the reality TV scene, Hollman wants viewers to walk away understanding that no one is perfect. She is a stay at home mom with a six-year-old and a four-year-old and she works hard to juggle their lives with the expectations of her husband, Travis Hollman. "I have little breakdowns, my husband

and I argue. People need to see we aren't all perfect," she says. Giving up her career as a social worker to have babies, Hollman wouldn't change a thing. "I have always been the girl who never tried to do anything out of my comfort zone," she revealed in our celebrity interview.

She was approached out of the blue to do 'RHOD' and wasn't looking for it. "I wanted to see what I was made of because if I didn't do it, I would have always wondered, what if," she adds. Her friend Amanda Ward had suggested her and Brandi Redmond to the producers, saying she had two girlfriends that are really goofy and always making people laugh. Within six weeks they were cast. Hollman and Redmond had been friends 10 years prior to the show. "I don't feel like I have to try. Sometimes it takes so much effort to have a conversation. It's not like that with Brandi," she adds. In their friendship, they are dedicated to talking everything out before it leads to a fight. "Our relationship is better than other people's marriages," Hollman says. The reality TV star hopes that it stays that way because she would never want to damage their friendship over a show. In terms of where she sees her career going next, the celebrity mom says that she just wants to live the journey God has for her. "If something comes out 'RHOD' career wise, that would be amazing," she says. Hollman hopes to use this experience to learn more about herself.

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Philanthropically, giving back has always been in her heart and she wants to be able to make a difference in the world. "I was born in a small town in Oklahoma and wasn't raised with the luxuries I have now," she shares. At times, her family members would struggle, but people reached out and supplied them with food when they needed it most. "I am now able to give back in a different light. I have the resources to financially make a difference for these charities," she says. Hollman leads the charitable contribution efforts for her

husband's company, Hollman Inc., but she doesn't work directly under him. "Bravo is very colorful. I appreciate that they have to be," she says. Her husband is obsessed with to-do lists and when he goes out of town he writes down what needs to be done. "He is such a great provider. He doesn't care what I spend. I think they were trying to make it like I had an allowance, but it's not like that at all," she says.

The Real Housewives of Dallas airs Mondays on Bravo at 10 p.m. EST.

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