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Thought for the Week: Silence is golden when you can't think of a good answer. Muhammad Ali



THE DOLL MAKERS

The Sewing Room Volunteers at Heritage Pointe, located in Warren, Indiana, went to Lutheran Children's Hospital to tour their new children's facility on Tuesday, July 19th. These ladies work all year long making dolls for the children. The dolls are used to explain to the children various procedures they will be experiencing. Each doll comes with a gown and hospital cap that the ladies sew as well. This is a community service project that was initially started by Barbara Souder in 1992.

Pictured back row left to right: Barbara Souder, Peggy Schweikhardt, Diane Winkler, Joyce Buzzard, Vicki Willman, Rochelle DeHaven, Ruth Herring, Fritz Boxell, and Amanda Drayer, Activities Coordinator. Front row left to right: Enid Graham and Phylis Hubartt.

DO YOU ENJOY BOWLING?

Do other people at your Church enjoy bowling? The Bowling Center of Bluffton has a Monday Night Church Bowling League. This league welcomes Church teams, of 4 or more players, from the area. This is a coed Adult league, for 4 Bowlers each Monday Night starting at 7:45 P.M. A team can have more than 4 members, as long as 4 bowlers are there for each

league night. The weekly bowling fee for each team is \$11.00/bowler for four bowlers/team (\$44/team).

There is NO Smoking on Monday Night and NO Alcoholic Beverages are served at the Bluffton Bowling Center, and the concession counter serves great food and snacks.

The League begins Monday, August 22, 2016.

For more information, you can contact Stan Kunkel at

the Bowling Center, 1231 South Scott Street, Bluffton (260) 824-9966 or Terry Daniels at the Warren Pharmacy (260) 375-2135.

ROAD CLOSURE

The Indiana Department of Transportation announces that S.R. 218, between C.R. S 500 W and C.R. S 450 W in Huntington County, is scheduled to close on the morning of Tuesday, Aug. 2, while the county works on underground pipes.

The official state detour is S.R. 9 to S.R. 124 to S.R. 5 to I-69.

The work is anticipated to be completed by 6 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 5, weather permitting.

OPEN ENROLLMENT

Small World Preschool in Warren is a non-profit preschool, which has been serving the families of Warren and the surrounding area for over thirty years.

Small World is now registering students for the 2016-2017 school year.

Classes begin in early September and end in early May. The 3-4 year old class attends on Tuesday and Thursday from 9-11:30 and the 4-5 year old class attends on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9-11:30 am or 12:30-3:00 pm, if the morning class fills up and there are at least 8 children signed up for the afternoon class. Children

must be 3 or 4 years old by August 1, 2016.

The cost is \$70 a month for the 3-4 year old class (\$560 total) and \$85.00 a month for the 4-5 year old class (\$680 total), with a \$40 application fee. The registration fee increases to \$50 after June 30th and registration ends July 31. Scholarships are available to qualifying families.

Please contact Kristen Schortgen at 765-499-0977 or kschortgen@gmail.com for more information or to register your child. You may also pick up a registration form at iAB Financial, PNC

Bank, East of Chicago, or the Warren Post Office.

CRITICAL BLOOD

SHORTAGE

While thousands of people from across the country responded to the emergency request for blood and platelet donations issued by the American Red Cross in early July, a critical blood shortage remains. The Red Cross urges eligible donors to give now to help ensure blood is available throughout the rest of the summer to meet patient needs.

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FINAL WEEKEND

The comedy by William Shakespeare runs July 29, 30 & 31. Tickets are \$15 for general admission and \$5 for children 12 & under. Friday and Saturday shows are at 8:00 pm. Sunday shows are at 4:00 pm. The theatre is located at 127 1/2 N. Wayne Street in Warren. Reservations may be made online at www.pulseoperahouse.org or by leaving a message at 260-375-7017.

Mechanicals pictured above (Front Row, L-R) Travis Fisher, Jessica Dodson, Henry Tarr & (Back Row, L-R) Dylan McIntosh, Ralph Tuttle, Scott Nedberg



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(StatePoint) Family and friends are vital connections to life back home for Service members and U.S. citizens overseas. During election years, many military and overseas voters cite family members and friends as important sources of voting information.

An easy way to help loved ones in the military or abroad to vote absentee is by referring them to the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP), which provides tools and resources to ensure that American citizens who want to vote can do so from anywhere in the world.

Voters can visit FVAP.gov to find state-by-state official registration and ballot request deadlines, as well as information on completing a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA), which is the registration and ballot request form, or the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB), the backup ballot. Both forms are available at FVAP.gov and can be filled out with the online assistant or by hand.

For additional information, visit FVAP.gov, email Vote@FVAP.gov or call 1-800-438-VOTE (8683).

The sooner voters register and request their ballot, the greater the likelihood they can successfully vote. That's because ballots must be sent back before individual state deadlines, which vary from state to state.

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 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study 6:00p.m.
- BOEHMER UNITED METHODIST**
 Rev. Barry Humble, Pastor
 Denise Heininger, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday Worship 9:30a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45a.m.
- CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH**
 Van Buren, Indiana 765-934-2199
 Pastor - Heath Jones
 Youth Leader - Kelly Jones
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
 Adult Bible Study Sun 6:30p.m.
 Youth Group Sun 6:00p.m.
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 Little Panther Preschool 765.934.2099
- HEALING WATERS MINISTRY —**
5811 W 600 S, MT ETNA
 Pastor Wayne Couch
 260/515-2517
 Sunday Prayer 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
 Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
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- DILLMAN UNITED BRETHREN**
 8888S 1100W-90, Warren 375-2779
 Matt Kennedy, Pastor
 Worship Service 9:00a.m.
 Sunday School 10:00a.m.
- HANFIELD UNITED METHODIST**
 101 N 400 E - Marion 765/664-8726
 Timothy Helm, Senior Pastor
 1st Worship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 2nd Worship..... 11:00 a.m.
- THE NEW BEGINNING**
 SR 218, 2 1/8 mile west of Poneto
 Steve Sutton, Pastor
 765/728-2065 for more info
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30a.m.
 Thursday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- HERITAGE POINTE**
 Chaplains Gerald Moreland, Ginny Souttz & Dick Case
 Sunday Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.
 OTHER SERVICES BY ANNOUNCEMENT
 Monday thru Friday
 Chapel Services 9:00 a.m.

- HILLCREST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**
 375-2510
 Rev Mark Davis
 Bus Service 375-2510
www.hillcrestnazchurch.org
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.
 Youth Group (Wed.)..... 6:00 p.m.
 Wed. Midweek Service..... 6:30 p.m.
- SOLID ROCK UNITED METHODIST**
 485 Bennett Dr, Warren, IN
 375-3873
 Paul Burris, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.
- LANCASTER WESLEYAN**
 3147 W 543 S, Huntington
 468-2411
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 Pam Thompson, S.S. Supt.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Wednesday:
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- LIBERTY CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH**
 694-6622
 Aaron Westfall, Pastor
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
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 Worship 10:15a.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
- LIBERTY CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
 Pastor Chad Yoder
 Morning Worship9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45 a.m.
- McNATT UNITED METHODIST**
 375-4359
 Bill VanHaften, Pastor
 Lois Slusher, Supt.
 Coffee Fellowship..... 8:30 a.m.
 Worship 9:15 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Bible Study - Wed. 7:00 p.m.
- MT. ETNA UNITED METHODIST**
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 Multi-Generational Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Fellowship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:45-11:30a.m.
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 Come as you are for all services
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 375-2691
 Jill Miller, Pastor
 Sunday School9:30 a.m.
 Worship10:30 a.m.
- SALAMONIE CHURCH OF BRETHREN**
 468-2412
 Mel Zumbrun, Pastor
 Worship9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45a.m.

- UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**
 375-2102
 Pastor Scott Nedberg
 Youth Pastor - Pastor Heather Parsons
 Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.
 Contemporary Service - Wed 6:30 p.m.
 Junior Church 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
 Youth Meetings-Wed 6:30 p.m.
 Communion 1st Sunday of the Month
- VB CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**
 765/934-3321 Parsonage
 Jeff Slater, Pastor
 Jim Knight, Superintendent
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Adult Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Children's Church 10:30a.m.
 Evening Praise Hour..... 6:00p.m.
 Hour of Power (Wed) 7:00p.m.
- VB UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
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 Pastor Cindy Osgood
 Worship Service 9:30 am
 Sunday School 10:30am
 Not Home Alone - Wed 3:00 pm
 Prayer-Bible Study (Thur) 7:00 pm
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 Fellowship9:15 a.m.
 Worship & Communion9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School11 to 11:40 a.m.
 Youth: (Start back up in the fall)
 K-5th grade, Mon 6-7pm
 Jr/Sr Hi, Sunday 6-7:30pm
- WARREN 1st BAPTIST CHURCH**
 Corner of N. Wayne & Matilda Sts.
 Youth Directors
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 Sunday School9:00 a.m.
 Sunday Worship10:00 a.m.
 Youth Group: Grades 3-5 4-5:30p
 Grades 6-12 5:30 - 7p
- WARREN WESLEYAN CHURCH**
375-2330 6th & Nancy Sts. Warren
 Rev. Allen Laws, Pastor
 Wesley Welch, Supt.
 Sunday School9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:15 a.m.
 Wed Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
- FARRVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**
 Pastor Richard Ladouceur
 11044 E 200 N, Marion, IN
 765-934-3609
 Sunday Worship..... 10:30 am
 Sunday School Classes9:30 am
 Youth Group6:00 pm
 Sunday Adult Bible Study..... 6:00 pm
 Thurs. Bible Study7:00 pm

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AREA NEWS

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At times, blood and platelets are being distributed to hospitals faster than donations are coming in, which impacts the ability to rebuild the blood supply. Right now, the Red Cross has less than a five-day blood supply on hand. The Red Cross strives to have a five-day supply at all times to meet the needs of patients every day and be prepared for emergencies that may require significant volumes of donated blood products.

"The Red Cross continues to have an emergency need for blood and platelet donors to give now and help save patient lives," said Rodney Wilson, communications manager of the Indiana-Ohio Blood Services Region of the Red Cross. "We are grateful for those who have already stepped up this summer to give and want to remind those who are eligible that hospital patients are still counting on them to roll up a sleeve."

Every two seconds In the U.S., every two seconds someone like Ray Poulin needs blood or platelets. Poulin's liver and kidneys failed following a serious blood infection. The situation became urgent when his liver hemorrhaged. He was given a 10 percent chance of survival. After receiving 77 units of blood, Poulin defied the odds.

"There was a lot that went into saving my life, but if the blood wasn't available when I needed it, I wouldn't be here today," said Poulin.

Blood and platelets are needed for many different reasons. Accident and burn victims, heart surgery patients, organ transplant patients, and those receiving treatment for leukemia, cancer or sickle cell disease may all need blood.

All blood types urgently needed

Donors of all blood types are urgently needed to help restock the shelves. The Red Cross is thanking those who come in to donate blood or platelets between July 25 and Aug. 31 by emailing them a \$5 Amazon.com gift card claim code.

To schedule an appointment to donate, use the free Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Donation appointments and completion of a RapidPass online health history questionnaire are encouraged to help reduce wait times.

Upcoming Blood Drive in Warren 7/28/2016: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Knight-Bergman Center, 132 S. Nancy St.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Please join us on Thursday, August 4th from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. for back to school night at Salamonie School.

Come and Meet our new Principal, Ms. Morgan and Mrs. Otwinowski, our new Counselor. Meet you're teacher and drop off your school supplies. We hope to see you at Back to School Night!

GOLF OUTING

August 20th at Dogwood Glen at 8 am.

The Warren Volunteer Fire Department is inviting you to participate in their annual golf outing on August 20th, 8 am, at Dogwood Glen in Warren, Indiana. \$55 per person, \$220 for a foursome.

Lunch is served after the outing. To register your team, please contact Lee Poulson 228-0293 or Bolinger's Propane /Warren Service & Supply at 375-3010.

Please come and join the fun while supporting your Warren Firefighters!

MONARCHS & MILKWEED

Learn about the monarch butterfly and how to help conserve the species during a "Monarch & Milkweed Workshop" on Sunday, Aug. 21, at Ouabache State Park.

The workshop runs from 3 to 5 p.m. at the park lodge.

Participants will receive milkweed seeds and a monarch caterpillar to take home.

Advance registration is encouraged. To register, email jamstutz@dnr.IN.gov. A fee of \$5 per person is due upon arrival.

The standard park entrance fee of \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle applies.

Ouabache State Park (stateparks.IN.gov/2975.htm) is at 4930 E. St. Rd. 201, Bluffton, 46714.

MAKE YOUR OWN MUSIC

Visitors to Ouabache State Park can create their own music concert as part of Art in the Park programs on July 30 and Aug. 13.

Trained facilitators will lead participants in music improvisation, including singing and drumming. No experience is needed.

On both July 30 and Aug. 13, sessions will be held at 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. The sessions will last 30 minutes. Participation is free after paying park admission.

On July 30, the 4:30 p.m. session is at the swimming pool lawn, and the 7:30 p.m. session is at Campview Shelter.

On Aug. 13, the 4:30 p.m. session is at Lakeview Shelter, and the 7:30 p.m. session is at Kunkel Lake.

The music facilitators will be Pam Blevins Hinkle and Sally Childs-Helton. Blevins-Hinkle is the director of the Spirit and Place Festival, and an instrumentalist, singer, and choral and music conductor, and has been teaching guided music improvisation for more than 10 years. Childs-Helton is a percussionist, ethnomusicologist, music educator, and improvising musician, and has been teaching guided music improvisation for more than 20 years.

State Park admission fees are \$7 per IN vehicle; \$9 per out-of-state vehicle.

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SPORTS REPORT

Heritage Pointe reports the following scores this week: Congratulations to the pool winners this week who were Ruby Childs (ya, Ruby, from the ladies) and Bud Purdom. Runners-up were Jim Lee and Herb Grover. Great effort to all who came out and played. There were 14 players this week. Good luck to all for next week.

Wi-Fi Bowling winners this week were Bud Lee with a series of 175 and a high game of 204, next in line was Dick Lintner with a series of 160, next was Sawdust Minnich with a series of 154 and then Mary Dungan with a 148 series.

SENIOR GOLF

Thursday July 21st Senior Golf League Results :

1st Place : Randy Potter, Eez Harris, Bob Herring, Rich Shearer posted a -6 score of 30

2nd place : Jack Harmon, Harold Williams, Tim Scheibenbarger, Dave Scheib posted a -5 score of 31

Closest to #3 pin winner : Howard DeHaven

Closest to #6 pin winner : Larry Ryan

Longest Drive on #7 (over 70) winner : Charles Harris

Longest Drive on #8 (under 70) winner : Terry Fausz

Thanks to "Wagon Wheel Cafe" for sponsoring this weeks golf ball prizes. Golf

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Community Calendar

Items listed here are open to the public. If there is an admission charge or items are for sale or a donation is necessary, there is a one-time \$5 fee to be listed. Events can be listed for as long as 6 months. (If an event is canceled, please notify WW.) Only event, place, time, and sponsor, for events in Warren, and the surrounding area will be listed.

- Jul 20 7:00p V - Town Council Meeting
- Aug 1 5:00p Veteran's Banquet at Banquo Christian Church
- Aug 3 Noon W - Chamber Luncheon, Assembly Hall
- Aug 3 7:00p V - Town Council Meeting
- Aug 8 5:00p W - Town Council Meeting, Assembly Hall
- Aug 15 6:30p W - KBC Board Meeting at KBC
- Aug 17 7:00p V - Town Council Meeting
- Sep 5 5:00p Veteran's Banquet at Banquo Christian Church
- Sep 7 Noon W - Chamber Luncheon, Assembly Hall

Bread of Life Food Pantry - Wed 2 - 4:00pm & 6 - 8:00p.m. at KBC
Bargain Basement - Friday & Saturday 9 - 4 at KBC ; Cancer Support Group - 3rd Tuesday 6:30-8p.m. at Bluffton Regional South Campus
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shirt was won by Don Carrol.

There were 48 participants this week, 6 chances to win the "Smiley" award, but still went unclaimed.

Everyone is Welcome. Sign up begins @ 8:30 and tee-off is @ 9:00.

MPO MASTERPIECE

The MPO will present its 47th season in 2016-17 entitled "Masterpiece," a celebration in honor of Maestro Alexander Platt's 20th and final season with the MPO. Another exceptional series of concerts will begin on Thursday, September 29, 2016, with the Annual LaRita Boren Children's Concert in the Indiana Wesleyan University Chapel Auditorium. Nearly 100 musicians will perform this concert, presented in collaboration with the Taylor and IWU Symphony Orchestras. The concert is

open to the public and free of charge. A subscription series of four concerts will follow, including Opening Night at the F. Ritchie Walton PAC on Saturday, October 29, 2016, "Sing Noel" at Taylor University on Saturday, December 3, 2016, a Chamber concert at Taylor University on Saturday, March 3, 2017, and the Season Finale at the Phillippe PAC at IWU on Friday, April 21, 2017. Among the guest artists featured this season are pianists Steve Hyman and Marilyn Shields-Wiltsie, vocalist Steve Amerson, our 2015 Concerto Aria Collegiate Winner, flutist Clara Loisch, the Taylor Chorale and IWU Chorale. Maestro Platt will be retiring from the MPO on the eve of the Season Finale in April 2017.

WEST NILE VIRUS

PRECAUTIONS

State health officials are urging Indiana residents to take steps to protect themselves from mosquito bites amid an increase in West Nile virus activity in mosquitoes across the state.

As of July 15, one human case of West Nile virus has been confirmed in Marion County, and mosquitoes in Marion, Hamilton, Jennings and Benton counties have tested positive for West Nile virus. The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) expects to continue to see increased West Nile activity throughout the state as the mosquito season progresses.

"Each year, we see people become ill with West Nile virus as a result of mosquito bites," said State Health Commissioner Jerome Adams, M.D., M.P.H. "Finding the virus in mosquitoes from multiple counties means that

the risk is starting to increase statewide. I urge all Hoosiers to protect themselves from bites, which will protect against West Nile and other viruses transmitted by mosquitoes."

State health officials recommend the following preventive measures:

- * Avoid being outdoors when mosquitoes are active (especially late afternoon, dusk to dawn and early morning);
- * Apply an EPA-registered insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535, oil of lemon eucalyptus or para-menthane-diol to clothes and exposed skin;
- * Cover exposed skin by wearing a hat, long sleeves and long pants in places where mosquitoes are especially active, such as wooded areas;
- * Install or repair screens on windows and doors to keep mosquitoes out of the home.

Even a container as small as a bottle cap can become a mosquito breeding ground, so residents should take the following steps to eliminate potential breeding grounds:

- * Discard old tires, tin cans, ceramic pots or other containers that can hold water;
- * Repair failed septic systems;
- * Drill holes in the bottom of recycling containers left outdoors;
- * Keep grass cut short and shrubbery trimmed;
- * Clean clogged roof gutters, particularly if leaves tend to plug up the drains;
- * Frequently replace the water in pet bowls;
- * Flush ornamental fountains and birdbaths periodically; and,
- * Aerate ornamental pools, or stock them with predatory fish.

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West Nile virus can cause West Nile fever, a mild form of the illness, which can include fever, headache, body aches, swollen lymph glands or a rash. Some individuals will develop a more severe form of the disease affecting the nervous system, including inflammation in the brain and spinal cord, muscle paralysis, or even death. People who think they may have West Nile virus should see their healthcare provider.

To see the latest results of ISDH's mosquito surveillance, go to <https://gis.in.gov/apps/ISDH/Arbo/>. To learn more about West Nile virus, visit www.StateHealth.in.gov. For important health updates, follow the Indiana State Department of Health on Twitter at @StateHealthINand on Facebook at www.facebook.com/isdh1.

4 TIPS FOR QUITTING

HOUSEWORK AT 6:00 PM

Have you ever traveled a long way and upon arrival at someone's home, the host asks, "Would you like to freshen up?" Indeed, freshen up after a long journey sounds fabulous! In a way, each day is a long journey and at the end of it, it's time to enjoy the evening in leisure.

Often, right before my dad came home from work, Mom would say to my sister Peggy and me, "Girls, Dad'll be home in 15 minutes, I'm going to go freshen up." She'd be in the bathroom for about ten minutes and when she'd come out, she looked and smelled fresh. What I didn't realize back then was my BO (Born Organized) mother was setting the stage for her leisurely evening with my dad.

During your day, find as many ways as you can to get housework done so that you can stop at 6:00 pm. Consider it quitting time. Of course your little Snuggle Bunnies

will need your love and attention after six, but I'm talking about the household workload.

If you tend to be frazzled in the evening, you'll love my 4 tips for quitting at 6:00 and having a leisure evening become a reality.

1. Get Organized

By getting organized and creating a routine, you'll work smart during your day, and give yourself leisure evenings. When we were little my sister and I were in bed by 8:30, and that gave my dad and mom time alone to relax and enjoy their evenings with each other, Pam and Peggy-free.

When I had kids of my own, I remember wanting that same goal, but because I was disorganized, I didn't have good habits and wasn't in control of a routine that enabled me to get the kids in bed by 8:30. Instead of heading to the bathroom to freshen up before my husband got home from his work, I'd be thawing steaks in the dishwasher, no soap (pre-microwave days) and deciding whether to get dressed or just stay in my pajamas. We'd eat late, and the kids would be in bed by 9:30 or 10:00 if I were lucky.

2. Make ahead Meals

Freeze Some Free Time

Having a freezer is like having a time capsule. With a freezer, you can actually freeze free time. For example, when I make chili

and soups, I make enough for four to six extra meals and freeze in Zip-Lock freezer bags to use when I'm super busy or I'm not in the mood to cook. Since you're going to make a mess anyway when you cook, you may as well get more meals for your mess. When you cook double a couple times a week and freeze your meals for another night, you become your own convenience food company. By freezing meals, you save the prep and clean-up time when served later. This taco dish was frozen (without the avocados) and heated up before adding fresh ingredients like avocado, tomato, fresh onion etc. Adding a touch of fresh ingredients to a meal that has been frozen and heated up truly makes the whole meal fresh.

When I make a salad for my husband and me, I make enough for two nights and before I put dressing on it, I put half the lettuce and vegetables (tomatoes, green onions, fresh parsley, radishes etc.) in a Zip-Lock bag for the next night. I make my own salad dressings (a week's supply at a time) and add it to the salad and toss, right before serving.

The convenience food industry would love us to believe that they are helping busy moms, get food on the table quick and easy, but in reality, it takes the same amount of time and energy

to bake a chicken, roast some healthy sweet potatoes, and toss a fresh, green salad as it does to prepare stuff from a box, and when you prepare enough for another day or two, you'll be freezing free time for the future.

3. Learn to Delegate

If children have the energy to climb the walls, and most kids do, think about all the chores that they can do before six. Get the family into a routine that involves them accomplishing those chores. Kids can bathe, set out clothes for tomorrow, and tidy up their rooms before dinner. They can also help with laundry, vacuum, dust, set the table and meal preparation. After six, when dinner is over, delegate kitchen clean-up to the family and go get in your jammies.

In my book *The Joy of Being Disorganized*, I wrote about the art of delegation. It's an art and most moms I know are not very good at it. Here's an excerpt from the book about the art.

What's very interesting about delegating is that once a job has been assigned to someone else and you are no longer responsible for doing it, you'll find that you'll be more willing to do that job as well. For example, my husband Terry does all dishes for every meal and, with that chore off my shoulders, I feel free. In that freedom, often I'll have the thought, "I'll

surprise Terry and wash all the pots and pans before I call him to dinner," or "I'll tell him after breakfast that I'll do the dishes because I know all the extra work he has to do right now." Also, when jobs are delegated and there is an offer to help by the delegator, there is so much gratitude for the help! Before you know it, the delegatee will return the favor and do one of the chores on the delegator's list. It's a beautiful cycle!

4. Enlightened Selfishness

Be selfish about your personal time. Make a list of down-time activities like luxuriating in a bubble bath, reading, watching a movie, playing with a hobby that relaxes you and such. Learn to say, "NO" Get into the mindset, if you're not already, that you deserve help. Getting help doesn't mean you are some poor soul who isn't strong enough to do it all. I remember in my young motherhood, taking on more than I could possibly do, just to be liked. When I figured out what was behind my unreasonably, overbooked schedule, I started saying "NO." If you're a people pleaser; this is going to be a new skill you'll need to learn.

As a caregiver, you need downtime on a daily basis. I hope these tips will help you get into the habit of taking

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WHY PARENT-TEEN COMMUNICATIONS OFTEN FALL SHORT

from the American Counseling Association As a parent you want to be there for your teenager. You try to learn what's happening in his or her life and try to help with problems or uncertainties he or she may be facing.

But despite your best efforts, most of the time you are rebuffed. Responses

ranging from stony silence to outright hostility leave you wondering how you have failed so miserably in connecting with your own child.

The problem, however, may not be your fault but just the simple fact that parent-teen communications are inherently complicated.

One reason is simply that it's not easy to be a teenager.

There's a variety of unsettling biological, psychological and emotional changes that are all part of a teen's normal developmental process. Pile on top of that the pressures of school, extracurricular activities, maybe a part-time job, and then the anxiety of college or a career in the near future, and it becomes easier to understand why the open communication you enjoyed with your pre-teen has become much more challenging.

Teenagers may often feel that their parents just can't understand all the changes

and pressures they are facing. These feelings may be reinforced when parents react negatively to teens seeking to separate more from their parents and be more independent.

While we all want our children to grow up and be responsible adults, it can be confusing to deal with as our teens take their first tentative steps in that direction. This same process is also hard on the teen's side. He or she is anxious about sharing feelings of insecurity or uncertainty, about admitting mistakes, since it will just make him or her look weak, immature and not ready for the freedoms so badly desired.

There is no quick fix for any of these communication issues, but it's important not to give up on the effort.

While many of your communication attempts will likely seem inadequate, every now and then you will break through and have a meaningful discussion. As

importantly, your attempts to stay connected are active demonstrations of your love and concern.

Look for opportunities to let your teens know you're trying to understand and sympathize with all they are facing. Offer positive feedback when it's deserved and let them know your trust and respect is being earned. It takes work to open up communication, but it is worth the effort.

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IT'S SUMMERTIME...BE CAUTIOUS.

With the warmer weather comes an increase in outdoor activities which, unfortunately, also could include drug use. Watch for unusual objects. Never pick up plastic, glass, or other

types of containers that contain a white, off-white, tan, or reddish-colored granular substance (which may also contain a liquid) or containers with a white granular substance inside and an altered cap (i.e. a tube extending from the cap). These containers may be a "meth trash lab" and could be explosive. Also, watch for needles. Heroin is growing in popularity, and since it's frequently consumed via injection, users often leave needles at parks, campsites, etc. Warn children to watch for needles and meth trash labs and to never touch either object. If such items are found, contact your local law enforcement agency.

Summertime is also the riskiest time of year for first time drug and alcohol use, so parents should be watchful of children for signs and symptoms of substance abuse. Since mood swings and unpredictable behavior are frequent occurrences for preteens and teenagers, parents may find it difficult to determine what is "normal" teenage behavior and what isn't. However, if your child starts exhibiting one or more of the following signs, drug abuse may be to blame:

- Personal Appearance
 - * Messy, shows lack of caring about appearance
 - * Red flushed cheeks or face
 - * Track marks on arms or legs (or long sleeves in warm weather to hide marks)
 - * Burns or soot on fingers or lips (from "joints" or "roaches" burning down)

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- * Change in relationships with family members or friends
- * Loss of inhibitions
- * Mood changes

- * Loud, obnoxious behavior, hyperactivity, or laughing at nothing
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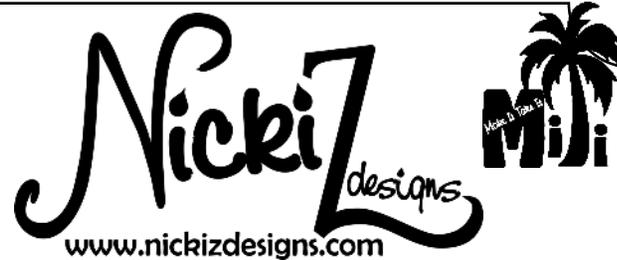
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- * Wetting lips
- * Sudden or dramatic weight loss or gain
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- * Sweatiness

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