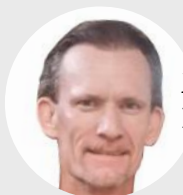


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"Mark" My Words... a message from Mark Sr.

Hello to All!

I hope everyone is feeling summer in the air! I'm sitting here writing this in disbelief that the year is almost half over! I must say, this has been the fastest year ever in my life. It really does seem to fly by the older you get, but who's counting?

In all seriousness, politics aside, I went to visit my grandfather and grandmother's gravesite, which I hope doesn't sound morbid to anyone. While there, I noticed so many more World War 1 and World War 2 grave-sites than I normally do. It got me to thinking about Flag Day, which is on the 14th. We surely aren't the perfect nation, but I'm glad I live in this nation more than any other. I wish we were as "united" as a nation as we seemed during my summer vacation after 6th grade. I spent the summer in Florida with those same grandparents, and I just didn't want to come home. I remember it well because it was the bicentennial. My grandpa hadn't been to a theater in years, and I was dying to see MIDWAY! Unfortunately, the volume and all the noise coming from that really rattled my grandpa. From Florida, I saw on the TV that people in my neighborhood back home were rowing boats down the streets because of massive flooding. This was the final straw that led to the building of the "deep tunnel projects" all over Chicagoland. My family's closest neighbor was a heavy-equipment operator for the deep tunnel projects. Recently, I went to visit him and said I would come back another time soon to take him out to lunch. Unfortunately, I never got to do that. He went to be with the Lord a couple weeks ago. He got my brothers hired down in those tunnels. The tunnels are so big that you could stack a semi on top of a semi and still have plenty of room left. The men down there looked like ants! Man, were my brothers proud to be "hard-rock miners." They were just big kids - blowing stuff up and moving the rock with a backhoe. It was a much simpler time.

Don't forget that June 18th is Father's Day. Both my dad and Tammy's dad have been gone for a while now. It's strange when you don't have that "one person" anymore that you could always go to just to talk. I am fortunate to have been able to spend nearly my whole life with my wife. I don't know what I would do without my beautiful, Christian wife or her support in good times and bad. Thank you, Lord!

I want to make a special announcement about my daughter-in-law, Annie, and my son, Mark. They are expecting again, which I think I mentioned, but... that will make 3 of their own. They have one foster child which, if they could, they would adopt. As of last week, they took in a second foster baby who is about one and a half years old - the same age as the other foster child. They have three in diapers right now, another on the way, and my four-year-old granddaughter, Ruby! We are so proud of these two "kids." They came from great stock... (on their mother's side, of course!)

God Bless and Thanks for Reading!

Mark Bouquet, Sr.



Month at a Glance:

1st Dare Day – Daring is one thing... declaring a "double dog dare" heightens the challenge, but a "triple dog dare" should NEVER be used lightly!

4th Hug Your Cat Day – Unless your cat is a true "hugger", proceed with caution.

14th Flag Day – a day for Americans to celebrate & show respect for our flag, its designers and makers. Many have died protecting what it stands for - one nation, under GOD.

18th Father's Day – "Any man can be a father, but it takes someone special to be a dad." - Anne Geddes

21st Finally Summer Day – first day of summer! YAY!

23rd Take Your Dog to Work Day – and a GREAT time to use your carpet cleaning coupon on our sale flyer...

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CORRECTION on May's article, RIGHT IN OUR OWN BACKYARD!

"The Jackson 5 started out in the small town of Gary, Indiana, way before Hollywood and the music industry discovered them."

Donald S. of Highland, IN brought it to my attention that Gary, Indiana was far from a "small town" and quite a vibrant city back in the 1960's. The population of Gary was at its peak in 1960, coming in second to Indianapolis. I would like to greatly apologize as it was not my intention to downplay Gary, Indiana in any way. I am extremely grateful for your insightful information, Donald. Thank you and everyone reading for being a part of our newsletter and the Creative Carpet & Flooring family.

	1960	
1	Indianapolis	476,258
2	Gary	178,320
3	Fort Wayne	161,776
4	Evansville	141,543
5	South Bend	132,445
6	Hammond	111,698
7	Terre Haute	72,550
8	Muncie	68,603
9	East Chicago	57,669
10	Anderson	49,061

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

"The Steel City"
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Gary, Indiana
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Photographer: Harvey's
Studio, Dexter Press
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Research has long shown that friendship is necessary for your well-being, physically and mentally. Friends actually help protect you from stress better than if you tried processing it alone. Trying to deal with stress by yourself is exhausting and causes more wear on yourself. Always trust in God, but another hand to grip to get through life sure does help!

Having someone on the outside of the family can also be more of an emotional help than an actual family member. How can that best friend be a better shoulder than a sibling or a parent? Family relationships are natural obligations. Even with your own kids and significant other you have the stress of chores, errands, appointments, making dinner, etc. You can be close to your family, but also naturally stressed by them. Your best friend can be a pain in the rump, too, but it's still a choice. You don't have to schedule your friend's appointments or worry about what they will or won't eat for dinner.

What makes a friend a "bestie"? It's someone you are your most vulnerable around. They see you not only at your best, but at your worst. You can go months without talking then just pick up the phone and start right where you left off. It is that person you can see yourself going gray with.

Everyone needs that one friend that make the mountains in your life look like just small hills. That one person that will always be by your side to help you over it. If you can count on ONE hand how many true friends you have, you're a lucky person. Not just acquaintances, but an actual devoted friend... a best friend.

Recognize that best friend on Thursday, June 8th by visiting Starbucks for a coffee, have them over for a movie night, or just pick up the phone and let them know how important they are to you and that you love them.

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THANK YOU FOR THE KIND WORDS!

"Ceramic kitchen tile was removed and replaced by vinyl covering. Edgar & John arrived promptly and worked diligently all day. Never stopped until they finished. They really cleaned up beautifully. John did such a great job cleaning up I told him I might keep him! Our previous installers (about 20 yrs. ago) was suggested to us by the company who remodeled our kitchen. That installer was not a happy camper. Many tile had hair line cracks & he'd lay them down, see the crack, mumble & pick the piece up. I ordered the tile from a tile store on about 135th & Cicero. The installer picked up the tile. I offered to take the tile back & get it replaced. He insisted I didn't. I always felt he may have dropped a box of tile. We are very pleased with Creative Carpet and would recommend them to others." - Pat Prindeville from Palos Hills, IL



Mega Trivia Contest

Who wants to WIN a \$50 Gift Card towards dinner at TGI Friday's, Olive Garden, Red Lobster or Aurelio's Pizza?

Take our Trivia Challenge!

This month's Mega Trivia question:

The world's first one opened in Coney Island, NY on June 13th, 1884. The first what?

- A) Burlesque Show**
- B) 5 & 10 Cent Store**
- C) Hot Dog Stand**
- D) Roller Coaster**
- E) House of Wax**

To enter, go to:

www.creativecarpetinc.com, click on "Monthly News - Home Advisor Monthly Newsletter" and take your best guess. Your chances of winning are better than you think! Winner will be announced in the following month's newsletter. Entry deadline, June 20th, 2017. Good luck!!!

**Answer to May's quiz:
B) Coca-Cola**

Congratulations to last month's winner:

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| • Linda & Tom Butzen | • Al Gilbert | • Roxanne & Tony Pantano |
| • Charlotte Cobb | • Pat Gopalakrishnan | • Skip & Ann Pastore |
| • Dave Constantine | • Carol Injerd | • Jack Senese |
| • Donna Cox | • Bill Jansma | • Cindy & Ken Thorne |
| • Maryann Czarnecki | • Kathy King | • Jim Thrun |
| • Lisa Egner | • Jeff & Gayle Kuzmuk | • George & Sue Tragos |
| • Dan & Kim Floss | • Tom & Eileen Mattson | • Josephine Willis |
| • Mark & Ann Fross | • Silvia Melby | |
| • Margaret & Leo Galvan | • Art & Peg Miller | |

Eight Ways to Save Your Hearing



Can't hear the TV, a quiet conversation or your best friend on the phone? You're not alone. Up to 52 percent of adults over age 50 may have hearing loss, half of it severe enough to interfere with everyday life.

The long-term complexities of hearing loss are far-reaching; new reports show that it triples the risk for dementia. That's because not hearing what others say can cut you off from the world and deprive you of stimulation. That's bad news for your mood and your mind.

Isolation can lead to depression, anxiety, foggy memory, slowed-down thinking and even brain shrinkage. Compromised hearing can make walking more difficult (you miss tiny clues that help you stay balanced), and falls become more likely.

Some of the things that can damage the delicate, sound-sensing machinery in your inner ear include everything from aging and genetics to autoimmune disorders, ear infections, head injuries and loud noises. Some factors are beyond your control, but not all. Here are eight ways to save your hearing today.

1. Keep ear plugs in your pocket, purse, car and toolbox. Exposure to sounds louder than 85 decibels - that's common cacophony for lawn mowers, rock concerts, video arcades and even noisy health clubs - damages the tiny hairs in your inner ear that convert sound waves into electrical signals. Dr. Mike pops his earplugs in on airplanes before take-off. Wear them when running yard equipment, at sporting events and during loud movies. You'll still hear the dialogue.
2. Dial down the volume when you wear earbuds. One in three adults and three in five teens who use portable music devices crank 'em up too high, endangering their hearing. Keep the volume set at 50 percent or less so that you can hear other sounds around you. Give your ears frequent bud-breaks.
3. Put down the cotton swabs. Earwax, a common cause of temporary hearing loss, forms on the outer third of the ear, but when you twirl cotton swabs in your ear canal, wax can get stuck deep inside. An earache, fullness, muffled hearing, even itching can be signs of wax blockage. Follow directions on wax-removal products or call your doctor.
4. Aim for healthy blood sugar. People with diabetes are twice as likely to have hearing loss as people with normal blood sugar levels. Pre-diabetes? Your risk is 30 percent higher. The connection could be glucose-related damage to the inner ear.
5. Lower your blood pressure. High blood pressure can speed up age-related hearing loss by reducing the flow of blood to your inner ear or even to brain areas involved with hearing.
6. Recognize early signs. Don't wait! If you notice you're saying "What?" a lot, need the TV turned up louder or have trouble hearing on the phone, ask your doctor if you need to be referred to a hearing specialist for tests. One survey of more than 3,000 people with hearing loss found that hearing aid users had less depression and worry, and were more socially active. In another, hearing aid use even improved cognitive function. Yet hearing aid users wait, on average, 10 years before getting help. Getting tested will pinpoint the source of your hearing difficulties so that you can select the right hearing aid. Some states and insurance plans help cover the cost (which can run from \$1,500 to \$5,000 per ear), and more low-priced choices are available than ever before.
7. Check your meds. Some 130 prescription and over-the-counter drugs, from ibuprofen and diuretics to certain antibiotics, can muffle hearing. Most of the time, hearing returns when you stop taking the med. Talk with your doc.
8. Watch your weight. If you're more than a few pounds over your ideal weight, your risk for hearing loss could be 17% to 25% higher than normal. Add walking to your stay-slim program; two hours per week can significantly lower your risk for missing out on the beautiful sounds of the world.

Mehmet Oz, M. - host of "The Dr. Oz Show," & Mike Roizen, M. - Wellness Institute at Cleveland Clinic, Chief Wellness Officer and Chair (2014, August 4). Eight Ways to Save Your Hearing. Retrieved from The Post and Courier: <http://www.postandcourier.com>.

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- Stephanie Applebaum
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- Regina Herod
- Sally Pustai
- Martha Arceo
- Kim & Jeff Frasher
- Dave Hohulin
- Barbara Rogers
- Darrin & Kelly Bauer
- Kathy Garfield
- Zig Jedrzejczak
- Pamela Ryan
- Michael & Bari Block
- Geoffrey Geberin
- Jenny Kouros
- Diane & Kevin Safin
- Patricia Watson
- Dolores Bruti
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- Alex & Kim Kreydich
- Barbara Senese
- Steve West
- Jim Caine
- Patrick Gill
- Kelly Lara
- Terri & Patrick Sharkey
- Sarah Wilson
- Stella Callas
- Melissa Goodwin
- Don Larsen
- Ethan & Danielle Smith
- Gizzy Wolak
- Jim Capuano
- Paul & Darleen Graves
- William Lynch
- Steven Woods
- Eddie Chavez
- Wendy Guglielmo
- Ken & Vicki Mantel
- Deloris Yarbrough
- Frank & Caroline Coglianesi
- James Gutierrez
- Jenna Mazanke
- Nancy & Tim Zasada
- Mike & Jelene Crehan
- Don Haan
- Sara & Kevin McInerney
- Mahmoud Zegar
- Nancy DeYoung
- Tim Haan
- Lorrie & Tim McNabney
- Carole & Terry Ziemke
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- Annette Prendergast
- James Fies
- John Riedas
- Mike Wojcik
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- Sally Pustai

Community Events

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26th Annual Dyer Summer Fest
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 24th - *Smiley Tilmon Band (Chicago blues)*
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 sdoerr@cityofhobart.org

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 Silver Cross Field
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