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Car doors slammed from the glistening '56 - '62 Chevy's all lined up in two or three rows in the makeshift dirt drive at grandma's house. Freshly groomed, tousle-headed little kids piled out of those cars and ran shrieking here and there; crunching fallen autumn



leaves in their excitement. The moms emerged next wearing beautiful embroidered little swing coats. Underneath their opened coats you could see they wore either poodle skirts that would swish-swish as they walked or pencil skirts with little slits in the back that made them walk very careful-like. Scarves were tied tightly upon their heads, and they wore sweaters layered over lacy cotton blouses topped off with cat-eyed sunglasses perched upon their noses. Words tumbled forth from brightly painted red lipstick-ed mouths as they beckoned to their charges to "settle down". Dads



"took up the rear" in their straight leg Levi jeans and their white short sleeved t-shirts under their authentic old brown leather (straight from their army service) bomber jackets. Their sunglasses perched atop their heads and they carried heaping pots or platters of food that would soon be devoured.

Grandma's on Thanksgiving Day in 1963. I remember it like it was yesterday. As soon as we entered the back door of the farmhouse so many smells would caress our noses. Yams, green beans, cranberry sauce, pies, cakes, cookies, homemade breads, candies and all other sorts of delicious treats were laid out upon every available surface. The turkey and hams were still in the oven sweating in their sweet and savory juices.

My cousins split off; boys going one direction and doing something only boys would do while little girls did something altogether different. The boys were always allowed to go outside "hunting" for pond frogs and other such squirmy, slimy creatures while the girls stayed inside playing dolls or sitting quietly by their mothers and listening to family matters being discussed. If something really "personal" came up in conversation our ears would be covered tightly by our mother's hands so as to keep us from hearing.

Thanksgiving...

-By Senior Writer Brenda Dwyer

Looking back life seemed so simple then; steeped in tradition and goodness. Our family was tightly bound by love for one another. My grandma had been a widow from a very young age. My dad's father passed when my dad was barely 9 years old. Grandma never remarried. She was a rare jewel and we all adored her. Almost every Sunday found us at her house along with all of my aunts and uncles and their broods in tow. Every Thanksgiving found us around her table where a feast was prepared. Thanksgiving was for thanking the Lord for our bounty. It was a day of retrospection, insight and a



good portion of humble pie. Stories were exchanged of life and love ... they were like little jeweled gifts we gave each other.

Music was an integral part of our family time together. Many of my uncles, as well as my father, played guitar or one of a variety of other instruments and we would sit around after dinner and listen to them play. Sometimes, if a song was sung, that we all knew, we would sing along.

We celebrated many, many such holidays together until grandma finally passed from this earth and life seemed to have thrown the rest of us to the many corners of this great nation. We grew up, we moved away but our hearts are still one.

My life has been full to



the brim (and overflowing) of wonderful memories and the value of being raised with love. This Thanksgiving I will remember the Holidays of "yore" with great fondness and as I gaze around my table I will hope and pray that each person present will one day look back on this time and be thankful as well.

I have been blessed to have lived a life that has been filled with many thanksgiving dinners. I have sat down with my children to tables with no turkey or trimmings and barely enough food for one, let alone 6 and we have thanked God for every morsel. I have sat down at tables heavy with food enough for many more than that. No matter my situation; no matter if we didn't know where our next meal was coming from ... I have always been thankful that I have

been able to share that special day with family or at least have good memories to draw upon. For all that I had, all that I have, and all that I will yet experience ... I thank God for it all.

I hope as you have read these words that they have caused you to reflect upon all the reasons you have in your life to be thankful (regardless of your circumstance) and I hope your yesterdays were full of wonderful events that created a bounty of holiday memories you can now recall and share with those you cherish. Whatever you're feeling, wherever you are on your life's path right now ... may your special day be full of friends & family (or memories thereof) and be especially blessed with joyful thanksgiving in your heart!

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Inside The Tea Room

-By Brenda Dwyer



I am asked (often enough) "what is The Tea Room?" Well, I suppose in all fairness if I were to try to explain what it is I should also explain how it came to be. When Bob and I first married I was still healing from a personal

tragedy. I was quite content to set up house and "dig in the dirt" (which became our garden). As time went on I noticed that he really needed someone to help him answer phones in his office. One thing led to another and I soon found my days solely invested in the office. This was great because I was able to spend even more time with my husband. Not long after, though, I realized I missed conversations with my girlfriends. Girlfriend time is such special time. Well, it was around that same time

that we developed a website and in short order I asked Bob if I could have just a few pages of his website to reach out to women in our community because I really did miss that connection. He said "yes" and I created The Tea Room ... a place for women to snuggle up and snuggle into. A place that offers like-experiences, recipes, encouragement, you name it ... girly stuff. The Tea Room is full of inspirational stuff, romance, recipes, home remedies ... but it also speaks to hormones and depression and the trials and tribulations of being a mother/sister/daughter/wife.

Below is an excerpt from The Tea Room that I felt may be especially fitting during this time of Thanksgiving. I hope you enjoy. From the page entitled Glory, Grace & Gratitude.

Please, come visit The Tea Room; www.agoodneighboronline.com (click on The Tea Room on the main menu and visit the many pages therein)

*In you, Lord, I have joy, I have hope, I have love,
I have solace, I have refuge ...
there is nothing, absolutely nothing more that I need
no matter the hour of my imploring ... you are always there to
hear me, to help me, to console and to love me
to the parents that introduced me to you ... my thanks
to the friends that encouraged me thru you ... my thanks
to the hands that have helped me up when I have fallen
... my thanks
to the shoulders that have soaked up my tears ... my thanks
for my brothers who have prayed for me all of my life
... my thanks
for the ministers that have ministered to me ... my thanks
to the brothers and sisters in Christ who have embraced me
and lifted me up ... my thanks
to a country that allows me to worship freely ... my thanks
I am so very thankful, so very humbled, so very happy for
in you, Lord, I have joy, I have hope, I have love,
I have solace and I have refuge. -bd*



Just a little bit of thanks ...

There she sat on my lap and as I bent my head to give thanks, I felt her tiny body mold itself upon my arms as she bent her little head. The wonder of it both surprised and amazed me.

Just that morning I awoke not feeling thankful for much of anything. This holiday is just another day, I told myself. I grumbled all the way through until this moment. Why, even when I was asked to lead the prayer to give thanks for this meal I sure didn't feel it, but right then my daughter bent to place her child in my lap and this little child ... did this one little thing that completely changed my attitude for the rest of the day. Even a little (tiny) bit of thanks can make a huge difference in someone's life. :)

LETTERS

TO THE EDITOR



It seems as if every newspaper you have ever opened has a section that invites their readers to participate on some level. We felt that a "Letters to the Editor" section would be a good place for us to start. We invite you, our readers, to either submit comments on current events and/or the paper itself, or ask questions on a topic of your choosing.

Please keep it light and uplifting whenever possible. We look forward to hearing from you. We reserve the right to limit and/or edit any submissions at our discretion. Submissions must include author's legal first and last name. Please email all inquiries to AGNeighborNews@aol.com.

Dear Editor;

This is a letter to THANK YOU all at GOOD NEIGHBOR NEWS for taking the time, effort, & money to print a small but mighty newspaper for us, as a community, to read & enjoy. I think it is seriously commendable that "city folk" have moved to our small town of Middlebury & are putting forth much effort to bring people together and encourage us the true value of honesty, integrity, & loyalty. We, as a community, applaud such effort & I hope each one of us will bind together in love to support our local Businesses such as are listed in this wonderful paper. It was very heart warming to recently visit a local restaurant that is fairly new, called SUNDAE BEST, located across from Northridge High School. It is somewhat like that of a fast food restaurant but yet you can trust that you're getting good pure locally raised Angus burgers hand pressed back in their kitchen by responsible adults versus high school kids where you wonder "did they even wash their hands?" or "what is this burger really made of?" They serve a large selection of salads & sandwiches plus ice cream! They are family owned & operated & I would encourage that we all help support such businesses if we want to see our small town prosper & survive. May God Bless us all!

-Delila Miller

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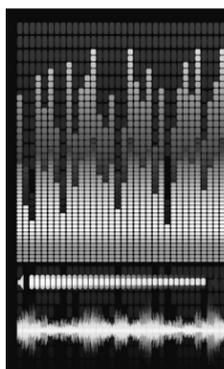
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Meet Your Neighbor

-By Brenda Dwyer

I have a real treat for you this month. A couple of neighbors have recently relocated into the same space! If you ever traveled down Middlebury/Shipshe road heading towards Shipshewana from Middlebury you may have noticed that when you were just about to enter town there were boats over on the left hand side of the road at a place called L&R Marine. L&R Marine is owned by Lavon Schlabach and Mervin Miller. Lavon originally began the business around 6 years ago on his home property right there where most of us will remember it used to be. Lavon had been in the mechanical end of boating for a while when he noticed a significant need for engine repair. One thing led to another and he soon found himself with a partner (Mervin Miller) and as their busi-

ness grew so did their need for a new location. Meanwhile Jerry Hochstetler (originally from Ohio where hunting is a very pronounced sport) had decided to sell the last of two businesses he owned and invest in starting a complete hunting supply shop in Shipshewana. Having had a lifelong interest in hunting, you might say he is now "living his dream".

His original store was centrally located right on SR 5 in Shipshewana. Well, as time would have it the three men found themselves looking at a piece of land that (at the time) housed a 250 sq. ft. chicken coop and decided it would be the perfect opportunity to create a property that would hold and meld both of their businesses. Within a very few months they put together a huge 10,000 sq. ft. building complete with

an impressive & substantial inventory to please hunters, fishermen and boaters alike! Their new location is 8435 W US 20 in Shipshewana. Their new phone number is (260) 768-3283.

(By the way ... these guys are great at either having exactly what you're looking for on hand or getting it for you when you need it!)

Their dream didn't stop there ... they are full of ideas and have already implemented a 3D archery range, a TECHNO HUNT and a regular archery range. They have archery leagues as well.

Ice fishing season is coming up (brrrr) and Lavon has everything you need to enjoy your time out there on the ice bringing in that fresh catch ... stop in and ask him about Artic Armor - and don't be caught out there on the ice without it! I almost forgot to mention the LIVE BAIT station. (This stuff is fascinating!!!)

Jerry has everything the hunter could possibly want

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... guns, camouflage, deer stands ... the list is ENDLESS ... he even has gun licensing and ammo. There is a deer check-in there too! I want you to know I'm not just speaking to the men out there ... LADIES ... pay attention! There is something in this store for EVERYONE ... even the kids love to come in and see the mountain lion, deer, elk, pheasant, bobcat and wild boar mounts! There are BOATS of every size for everyone's enjoyment ... boating supplies, pleasure rafts, safety equipment, you name it they either have it

or they can get it. It's a real big boy/big girl or little boy/little girl toy store! I myself am somewhat of a girly-girl but I really enjoyed my time in this shop getting to know these guys.

Do yourself a favor (this IS a real treat) ... stop in and say hi to Lavon & Jerry ... get to know your neighbors! You will be thanking me later! We as a community are very fortunate to have this type of store right here in one of our little towns. (p.s. Don't miss out ... clip their coupon on the back of this month's edition and take it with you when you visit!)

From our Kitchen

THE PERFECT TURKEY

Ingredients:

1 (18 pound) whole turkey, neck and giblets removed
2 cups kosher salt
1/2 cup butter, melted
2 large onions, peeled and chopped

4 carrots, peeled and chopped
4 stalks celery, chopped
2 sprigs fresh thyme
1 bay leaf
1 cup dry white wine

Directions:

Rub the turkey inside and out with the kosher salt. Place the bird in a large stock pot, and cover with cold water. Place in the refrigerator, and allow the turkey to soak in the salt and water mixture 12 hours, or overnight. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Thoroughly rinse the turkey, and discard the brine mixture. Brush the turkey with 1/2 the melted butter. Place breast side down on a roasting rack in a shallow roasting pan. Stuff the turkey cavity with 1 onion, 1/2 the carrots, 1/2 the celery, 1 sprig of thyme, and the bay leaf. Scatter the remaining vegetables and thyme around the bottom of the roasting pan, and cover with the white wine. Roast uncovered 3 1/2 to 4 hours in the preheated oven, until the internal temperature of the thigh reaches 180 degrees F (85 degrees C). Carefully turn the turkey breast side up about 2/3 through the roasting time, and brush with the remaining butter. Allow the bird to stand about 30 minutes before carving. Prep Time: 30, Min. Cook Time: 4 Hrs, Ready In: 17 Hrs.



COMING SOON!
A GOOD NEIGHBOR CLUB

The A Good Neighbor Club is a club unlike any other! Get ready to be introduced to a club that is going to intrigue and excite you then have you scrambling to join! Without going into too much detail let us just say that our initial market response has been OVERWHELMING!!! We currently have people who were so eager to join that they have already committed by paying their membership dues and are just awaiting the GRAND OPENING launch which will be on January 1st, 2010. Look for details in our December issue of A Good Neighbor News and find out just what it is everyone's talking about! A Good Neighbor ... "The neighbor you can depend on!"

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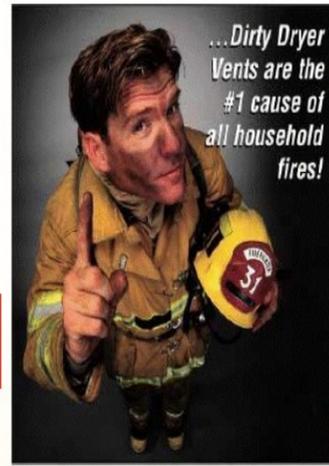
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Bob Dwyer
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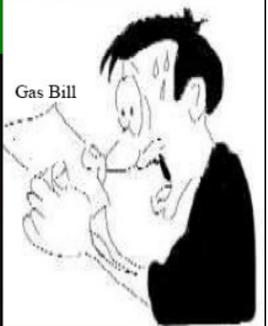


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A Special Thank You It was recently brought to our attention by a local business owner (thank you for helping me to realize our oversight) that we should include customer feedback in our paper. We are so fortunate to have wonderful customers who are willing to participate. So, the following is just a sampling of the feedback you will find at www.agoodneighboronline.com (to see more; click on Testimonials on the home page menu). A very special "thank you" to our customers who agreed to let me post these here. (A list of the questions they are responding to is given on the website.)

- 8/15/09 LeaAnn Mast rated us on 6 out of 6 questions and gave us all "5's"!
- 8/31/09 Joanne Sanborn rated us on four out of five questions and gave us all "5's"! Her comment: Very nice person, and very helpful. Took time to explain things
- 9/2/09 THANKS FROM THE HEART "We want to say thank you for such a good job. The day was perfect, we learned a lot. Installation is outstanding and the crew is professional. We are recommending you to all we encounter." Again thanks, Diane & Mitch Clark
- 9/9/09 Jim Myers rated us on five out of five questions and gave us all "5's"! His comment: The best explanation of the way our heating and air conditioners work. Listened to what we had to say.
- 9/14/09 Marilyn Cragun rated us on five out of five questions and gave us all "5's"!
- 9/8/03 David Jackson rated us on five out of five questions and gave us all "5's"! His comment: The person named Bobby did a good job in telling us some of our problems We want to thank him a lot.
- 9/4/09 Jim Swihart rated us on three out of five questions and gave us all "5's"!
- 9/8/09 Linda Hardin rated us on five out of five questions and gave us all "5's"!
- 9/4/09 Lawrence Maurer rated us on five out of six (new rating card) questions and gave us all "5's"!
- 9/4/09 Dick Oyer rated us on five out of six questions and gave us all "5's"! His comment: The technician was very professional and thorough.
- 9/11/09 Dennis Steiner did not rate us but did comment: We just had the yearly check-up and the service was very professional. Thank you.
- 9/13/09 Norm Roll rated us on 5 out of 5 questions and gave us all "5's"! His comment: Cameras show just how dirty our ducts were.
- 9/14/09 Jackie Lenczycki rated us on 5 out of 6 questions and gave us all "5's"! Her comment: Bobby (tech) was very honest & helpful in assisting with questions I had.
- 9/15/09 Violette Rinehart rated us on 6 out of 6 questions and gave us all "5's"!
- 9/16/09 D. Fry rated us on 5 out of 6 questions and gave us all "5's"! His comment: Very polite & knowledgeable ... answers and questions.
- 9/16/09 Tonda England gave us all 5's - her comment: Tech was well informed and I felt comfortable that he knew what he was doing. Good service.
- 9/18/09 Larry Myers gave us all 5's - his comment: Very friendly, explained what needed to be done & price.
- 9/18/09 Shannon Long gave us all 5's - his comment I wish I would have won the drawing! (your entry was the most creative!)
- 9/22/09 Barbara Cole gave us all 5's - her comment: Bobby was very personable - he loves labs ... he was very professional, informative, knowledgeable, courteous and very warm & friendly & cared about us as a family. Thank you.
- 9/22/09 Paul Slabaugh gave us all 5's - his comment: Very professional and explained all the things we weren't aware of.
- 9/22/09 Roy Malcom gave us all 5's - his comment: Technicians were friendly, informative. Answered our questions about our furnace. Took time to listen and hear our concerns.
- 9/22/09 Carolyn Wise gave us all 5's - her comment: Very helpful technicians.
- 9/23/09 Carol Wolfe gave us one 4 (Cameras were used) and the rest were 5's - Her comment: Need to keep extra fuses on hand for cameras.
- 9/23/09 Rocky Glass gave us all 5's - his comment: Bob is great. He's very personable. My dog loves him and he also gave us a tip about how our water heater was installed wrong.
- 9/23/09 Carol Leininger gave us all 5's - her comment: Bob was very informative, very nice & polite.
- 9/25/09 Lamar A. Bost gave us one 4 (We were pleased with the technicians) and the rest were 5's - His comment: Asked for a quote on a new furnace.
- 9/25/09 Lana Duncan gave us all 5's - Her comment: I truly appreciate the kindness & respect I am given by Bobby. Bob you have a great son! Be proud!
- 9/26/09 H.J. Watson gave us all 5's - his comment: These 3 men are real hard workers and know what to do.
- 9/27/09 Mark Reverman gave us all 5's - his comment: We were very impressed with the knowledge and professionalism of your technician! We will absolutely call you again! Thank you!
- 9/27/09 Barb Myers gave us all 5's - her comment: Good job & well done
- 9/28/09 Pat Shaffer gave us two 4's (My overall experience with A Good Neighbor) and (Cameras were used, if applicable) ... the rest were 5's. Her comment: Fine job.
- 9/29/09 Sheila Dibley gave us all 5's - her comment: The technician was very courteous and kind especially since I was not home the first time he called.
- 9/29/09 David L. Munn gave us one 4 (Cameras were used, if applicable) and the rest were all 5's.
- 9/29/09 Gina Myers gave us one 1 (we were pleased with the technicians) and three 3's. (My overall experience, pleased with my overall service and we would recommend A Good Neighbor) Her comment: I was disappointed that the wrong size filter was installed but since it was taken care of timely I am satisfied with service and will use you again.
- 9/29/09 Joseph C. Ortiz gave us all 5's - his comment: Great job - Bobby very detailed with products and well informed with various services available. We are fortunate to have you service our needs. We feel very comfortable with your company.
- 9/30/09 Bill & Betty Pratt gave us all 5's
- 10/01/09 Lyman Wood gave us all 5's - his comment: We have already recommended Good Neighbor and the people were pleased - they had their furnace inspected and duct work cleaned.
- 10/01/09 Geraldine Berry gave us all 5's
- 10/02/09 Dorothy Reber gave us all 5's - Her comment: Professional and friendly young man who offered good information regarding some of our questions.
- 10/02/09 Sharol Cloud (winner of our free furnace contest) gave us one 4 (special care was taken to protect our home) and the rest were all 5's. Her comment: Part of trim strip on stairs was broken.
- 10/02/09 Shawn Gear gave us all 5's - His comment: Very helpful people
- 10/02/09 Darla Lee gave us all 5's
- 10/03/09 Jerry A. Lane gave us all 5's
- 10/03/09 Noah Schrock gave us all 5's
- 10/03/09 Ila Mae Griffin gave us all 5's - Her comment: Very nice person and does a good job. I would recommend to everyone ... work good.
- 10/04/09 Penny Huneyager gave us all 5's - Her comment: Thanks for coming
- 10/05/09 Ronald C Yoder gave us all 5's - His comment: I'm sorry I forgot to leave the check on the table Monday. It slipped my mind. We are so pleased with you guys! Thanks!!
- 10/06/09 Craig R. Yoder D.D.S. gave us all 5's - His comment: I appreciate your presence in the community of Middlebury, your integrity, your value of service and friendliness.
- 10/06/09 Mary Johns gave us one 4 (shoe covers were worn) and the rest were 5's!
- 10/07/09 Dr. Jim Bennett gave us all 5's
- 10/09/09 Jene Ford gave us all 5's - Her comment: very good
- 10/08/09 Marilyn Rathke gave us all 5's - Her comment: Good job!
- 10/09/09 Chet George gave us all 5's - His comment: Terry did a great job. He's not a real talker but a good worker & was considerate.
- 10/09/09 Dave Teeter gave us all 5's - His comment: Nice, helpful tech. Very timely service. Thanks!
- 10/12/09 Robert Parish gave us all 5's - His comment: Very good service. Thank you.
- 10/12/09 Larry Deiber gave us all 5's - His comment: Was great - you have new permanent customers!
- 10/10/09 Stanley L. Yoder gave us all 5's
- 9/30/09 Ed Diamond gave us all 5's
- 10/06/09 Mark Bemis gave us all 5's - His comment: Did not have replacement RGF bulb (on backorder) but everything else was great!
- 10/07/09 Roberta Mazarek gave us all 5's - Her comment: Terry did an excellent job - both with the repair of my furnace and explaining what he was doing.
- 10/12/09 Stacy J Morgan gave us all 5's - Her comment: Very informative. Great advice and interest in the job.
- 10/14/09 Arick Fiandt gave us all 5's. Comment: The technician was polite, friendly and very knowledgeable & professional.
- 10/15/09 Mervin (Bud) Hannon gave us all 5's. His comment: Thanks! We were very impressed with Terry's knowledge and personality. We would like him to be sent when we request additional calls.
- 10/17/09 Jule Harrison gave us all 5's. Her comment: Overall they did a good job and I am very satisfied!
- 10/19/09 Joseph & Marilyn Miller-Ortiz gave us all 5's. Comment: Good job - very professional - technician answered all questions to our satisfaction. Very happy with service.
- 10/19/09 Jan Slabaugh gave us all 5's. Her comment: He explained it as he was cleaning it and it wasn't as dirty as it could of been.
- 10/20/09 Ashley Hopp gave us all 5's. Her comment: Anthony was great! He was very helpful & he explained the entire process in detail!
- 10/20/09 Don Schrader gave us all 5's.
- 10/21/09 Christine Howell gave us all 5's. Her comment: Terry was very nice and explained everything he did to the furnace!
- 10/21/09 Dennis Carlson gave us three 5's and thought we went above and beyond on the other two options he rated us on and gave us two 6's on those!!!!
- 10/21/09 Ellen Oswald gave us all 5's!
- 10/21/09 John G. Wolber gave us all 5's!
- 10/22/09 The Robbins family gave us all 5's. Their comment: Very pleased with what was done. :)
- 10/22/09 Helen E. Best gave us all 5's. Her comment: All that worked on my furnace were pleasant and nice and treated me very well ... answered all my questions.
- 10/22/09 Cheryl Hart gave us five 5's and one 4 (my overall experience with Good Neighbor). Her comment: My whole family was ill so tried to keep contact to a minimal. The technician seemed knowledgeable and pleasant.
- 10/25/09 Julie & Gary Davey gave us all 5's. Their comment: The techs did a great job and were concerned about their work and clean-up!! Very pleasant and friendly.
- 10/25/09 Chan Varner gave us three 5's and two 4's (we were pleased with the technicians/the job was completed to our satisfaction)
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- 10/27/09 Joyce Strintz gave us all 5's. Her comment: I would have thought the service would include filters, otherwise no complaints.
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- 10/30/09 Jerry & Rae Ann Lane gave us all 5's. Their comment: Bob & Brenda we were extremely pleased with Tony's concern & care in cleaning the duct work. He is a great asset to your company!
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- 10/28/09 Paula Black gave us all 5's.
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SOW HAPPY!

What does it mean to you? What is the condition of it in your life? Do you experience it often or seldom? Are there certain "triggers" in your life that automatically produce happiness? I can think of a few in mine ... the faces of my children, my grandchildren ... even just hearing their voices or taking the time to stop in the house and touch something they have gifted me with and remembering the moment. Encouraging words from my husband make me especially happy and have been known to swiftly eradicate hurts and disappointments. Happiness now, more

than ever before, is vitally important. It is something that we all need to embrace. We need to prioritize it to the point that we are careful to keep it at the forefront of our arsenal of emotions every single day. Happiness = good health. Happiness that evokes laughter is every bit as healing as happiness that warms the heart.

During difficult times in our lives it is particularly important to cling to happiness ... to chase after happiness ... to engage happiness at every possible opportunity.

It is so easy to be happy when everything is going our way. Don't we just "spread" happiness when we feel we are "at the top" of our day? What about when we're not "feeling it" at all? What about when we allow someone or

something to trigger us into anger? Where is happiness then? What if we are in the midst of a circumstance where it seems there is no "happy" to be found? Loss of life or job or relationship do not normally lend themselves to evoke feelings of happiness.

Everything we do in life is a choice. Everything we emote in life is a choice. Why not choose to be happy? Why not CHOOSE to spread happiness and joy and warm, fuzzy feelings to those you come in contact with regardless of condition or circumstance?

Why choose otherwise? Anger, disappointment, malice, hatred, envy, jealousy and every other negative emotion all reap a very ugly result that spreads like wildfire.

Choose happiness. Do it for yourself!

Start with a smile! Go to the nearest mirror and just smile at yourself. How did it feel? Silly?! Did you feel self conscious? Did someone see you smile at yourself? It really doesn't matter because a smile (any smile) evokes happiness. Share them ... you may be

shocked at how good they make you feel and how many you get back. (They are contagious!)

Be mindful to cultivate a long list of things that make you happy, revisit it often then emote happiness and spread it wherever you go. The extra benefit is that you may very well bless someone else with that simple act. Remember you reap what you sow ... SOW HAPPY!!!





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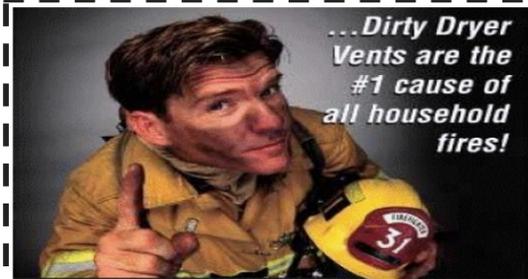


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