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Eido Connect's
Philosophy for 2024

- DECISION -

“Someday”

**Watch for these circulars in
your area for this week!**

**H & L Super Valu - Buffalo
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Keep looking you will see something to smile
about - New Reindeer at the
Mott Post Office

So many thoughts ran through MeMe's head - - Thanksgiving - - what is Thanksgiving all about - - Turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, the list went on and on - - a feast day - - about the first pilgrims to come to America - - and today MeMe questioned - - time to stop and reflect on life - a time to be thankful - - a time to - - stop running - -

Joey opened his eyes - - seems like I've been here before - - people were in his room, some smiling, some tears rolling down face, doors opening, closing, people clothed in white - - Joey wondered what was going on - - then beginning to feel again, Joey noticed he was laying in a hospital bed - - he blinked again and again - - am I really here - - I am still alive. Just then someone said "Joey, Joey, is that you - - are you with us this time?"

Joey smiled thru the pain - - something was very familiar about this place. Crunching toes, making fists - - Joey finally felt real - - like he was okay, like maybe he had pushed the right button and he was finally home. Door opened, a lady entered - - Still a little groggy, Joey blinked as mom came closer - - smiled with tear stained eyes - - "Joey, welcome home."

Very groggy, as each person entered his room, Joey saw and remembered - - Happiness filled the room, laughter, tears, voices Joey recognized and remembered - - it felt so good. Something was so different with these people - - something real, comforting. Joey watched, smiled as each entered the room. Not to many at a time, instructions given as vitals were monitored thru out the day.

Joey kept looking around, every person that came into the room he recognized - - knew everyone - - but Joey kept watching the door - - one person he was waiting for - - one person



he knew - was watching and waiting to walk into the room - but never did. Wonder where he is?

Mom sensed an uneasiness in Joey - questioned - - Joey. "You seemed to be looking for someone?" Joey just smiled. "No Mom, just excited to see everyone - - but Joey knew there was one person missing - -

Days went by - - turned into weeks and eventually Joey was released from the hospital. Late, Thanksgiving was celebrated with Joey's homecoming. Family and friends, what a celebration. Altho everyone Joey knew came for the feast, someone was still missing. Joey's eyes kept searching.

"What you looking for Joey. I keep watching you and strange as it may seem to you, I know there is someone, something you need to find - - Can I help you?" Someday Mom, Someday!

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“Hard Work”

In the fields day and night, in the stores stocking shelves, trying to keep children from getting hurt in school or daycare - - and the list goes on forever. Are we thankful or the opposite. Thanksgiving is an opportunity to say - - you know what - - this is very easy compared to saying thank you - - takes practice, endurance and friends who stick together and remind each other - hey it's beautiful, we are so blessed, turkey, pumpkin pie - - and a huge thank you to our parents who laid the ground work for us living in Eido Country. Happy Thanksgiving.



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The Best Christmas Pageant Ever
Rated: PG • Run time: 1 hour 39 minutes
Nov. 29th - Dec. 1st
Friday • 7:30pm
Saturday • 7:30pm
Sunday • 2pm
(with subtitles if needed)

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This Week's Sponsor:
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Upcoming Movies:
For King & Country: A Little Drummer Boy Christmas Live (12/6).
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• Sunday: BYOB (bring your own bag)
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9:00 AM to 7:00 PM
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~SAVE THE DATE~ SANTA DAY CELEBRATION

Mott, ND
Saturday, December 14, 2024
Get in the Holiday Spirit with us!
Activities include:
Craft & Vendor Fair
Ice Skating
Supper (Free Will Offering)
Visits & Photos with Santa

Any donations can be made to the Mott Visionary Committee & mailed or dropped at Commercial Bank of Mott, 325 Brown Avenue, Mott, ND 58646!



The big difference between Time and Money:
You always know how much Money you have. but, You never know how much Time you have.

St. Charles Catholic Church, Bowman, ND



Advent PARISH MISSION

Advent is a time of preparation for the real reason for the season. Msgr. Tom Richter will be here to talk to us on Prayer. Join us nightly!

SUNDAY:
5:00PM | TALK • 5:45PM ADORATION & CONFESSIONS
MONDAY & TUESDAY:
6:30PM | TALK • 7:15PM | ADORATION & CONFESSIONS

December 1, 2, & 3

Hettinger County Health Maintenance Nurses Calendar for December 2024

December 5th - New England Senior Center 11am-1:30pm
December 10th - Regent Senior Center 11-1pm
December 12th - Mott Senior Center 930am-1130am
HM in Office--- by apt.
Offering BP, P, Wt. For foot care & immunizations or other needs call 824-3215.

Western Plains Public Health Hold Area Clinics

Tuesday, December 3 - Footcare - Almont Fitness Center (110 Main Street, Almont) 9:00 am - 11:30 am CT. Call Western Plains Public Health at 667-3370 for an appointment.
Wednesday, December 11 - Footcare - Carson Manor (410 Grant Street, Carson) 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm MT. Call Western Plains Public Health at 622-3591 for an appointment.
Wednesday, December 11 - Immunizations - Carson Courthouse at Western Plains Public Health (106 2 Avenue NE, Carson) Clinic hours are between 9:00 am - 12:00 noon MT. Call 622-3591 for an appointment.
Thursday, December 12 - Footcare - Glen Ullin Senior Center (110 S Main Street, Glen Ullin) 12:30pm - 1:30 pm CT. Call Western Plains Public Health at 622-3591 for an appointment.

Playhouse Theatre 318 Brown Ave, Mott, ND

Friday 7:30 pm • Saturday 7:30 pm • Sunday 2:00 pm
NOV 29-30, DEC 1 & DEC 6-8

MOANA 2

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UPCOMING MOVIES
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DECEMBER 1 5:30 - 7 PM

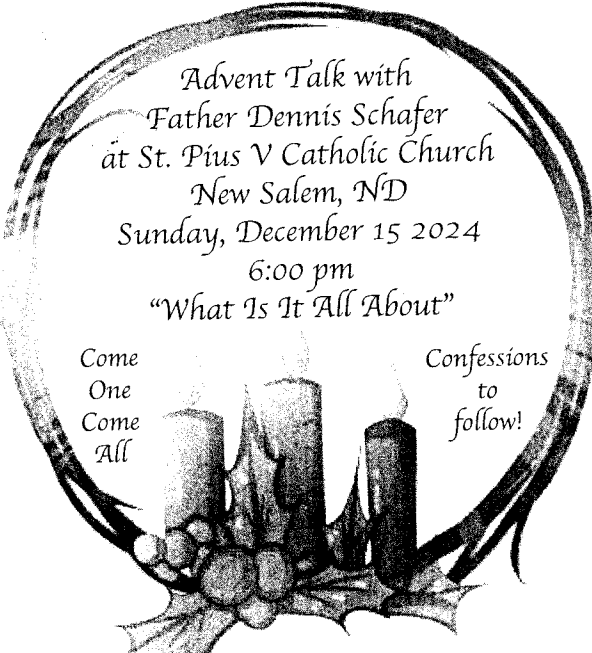
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PICTURES WITH SANTA | CAROLING
LIGHTING OF THE PARK | PRIZES

Scranton Equity will have all their departments decorated for Christmas. Vote for your favorite!

Sponsored By: City of Scranton, Scranton Equity, Dakota Western Bank, Next Door Pizza & Scranton Lions Club

Advent Talk with
Father Dennis Schafer
at St. Pius V Catholic Church
New Salem, ND
Sunday, December 15 2024
6:00 pm
"What Is It All About"

Come One Come All
Confessions to follow!



Southwest Healthcare Auxiliary Bazaar!
Kickin' off Christmas
December 7th, 2024
9 am - 12 pm
Bake Sale • Lefse • Raffle
Coffee & Rolls
Sunrise Village
203 11th Ave NW • Bowman, ND



~ NOTICE ~
Another meeting
All Mott/Regent Class Reunion
meeting for 2026

Sunday, Dec. 1, 2024
2:00 pm at Mott Care Center

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Cannonball Senior Citizens Mott, ND

December 9 - Business meeting - 2:00pm
followed by
Christmas Craft at 2:30 with Myra Klein.

We will be painting glass mosaic ornaments.

Beverages and snacks provided

Public Invited!!

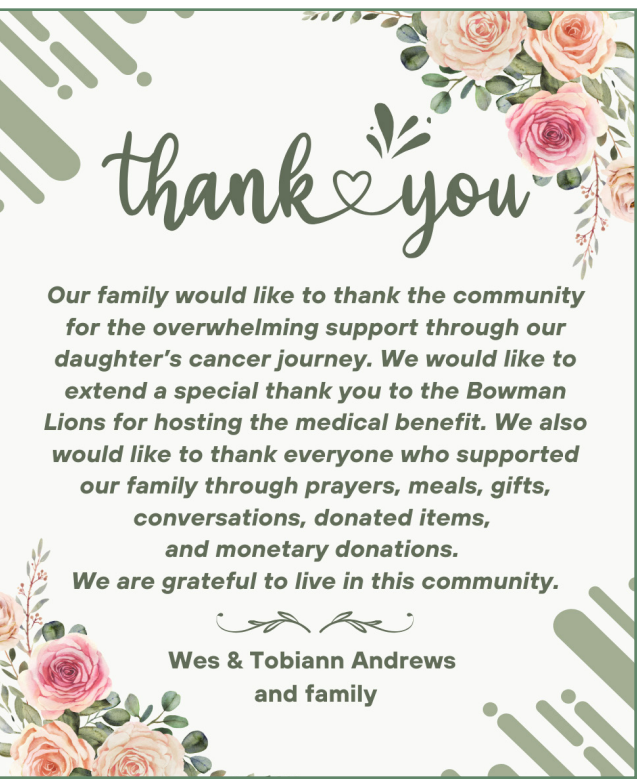
At the Cannonball Sr. Citizens Building

Holiday Fair
Saturday, December 7, 2024
in conjunction with Santa Day
presenting
"A Christmas Carol Christmas"
Elgin Community Center
Elgin, ND - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm MT
Lunch available
Santa will be there from
1:00 - 2:00
12 Beers & Sprits of Christmas
3:00 - 5:00 on Main Street
Parade of Lights @ 5:30

Our Place Cafe will be having a
Buffet available for supper
11-9,16,23,30

Learn to pick your battles; ask yourself, "Will this matter one year from now? How about one month? One week? One day?"

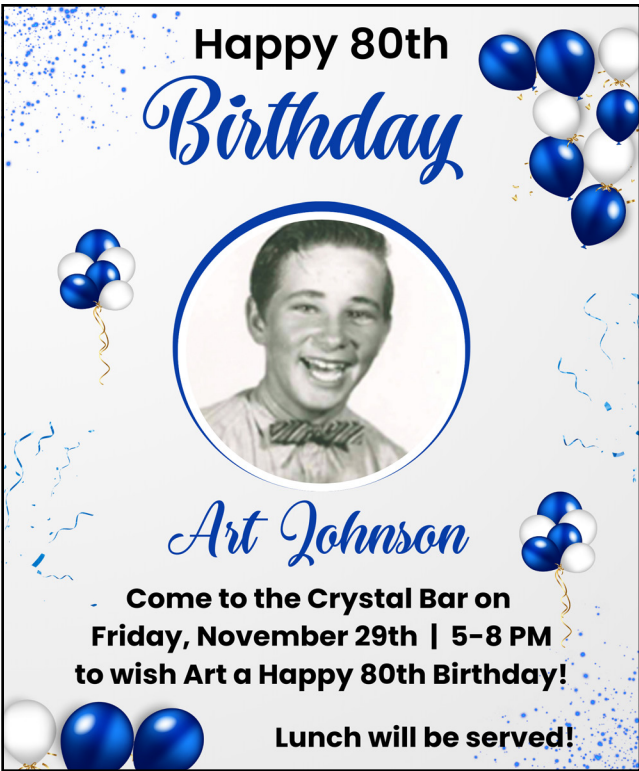
Places and circumstances never guarantee happiness.
You must decide within yourself whether you want to be happy.



thank you

Our family would like to thank the community for the overwhelming support through our daughter's cancer journey. We would like to extend a special thank you to the Bowman Lions for hosting the medical benefit. We also would like to thank everyone who supported our family through prayers, meals, gifts, conversations, donated items, and monetary donations. We are grateful to live in this community.

Wes & Tobianne Andrews and family



Happy 80th Birthday

Art Johnson

Come to the Crystal Bar on Friday, November 29th | 5-8 PM to wish Art a Happy 80th Birthday!

Lunch will be served!

If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

11-9,16,23,30pp

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What makes you look?

By Kathy Craig Harteis

Are there movies, songs or even commercials that make's you stop to watch or listen?

I have a list. Sometimes we just need those brief feel good moments.

Movies; The Waterboy, Blues Brothers, and the dance scene from Michael top my list.

In fact anytime I see John Travolta dance, I'll watch. There's a holiday credit card commercial featuring Travolta as Santa in Saturday Night Fever mode I stop and watch anytime I see it air.

Our world has been challenging at best for a awhile so the occasional feel good moment is welcomed.

As we gather as friends or families for Thanksgiving I hope that each of us will have those feel good moments to recall. Even in challenging times we have blessings to count.

My recent trip back to California brought to mind a lot of memories. I recalled my days there growing up in that big southern family of ours. I was reminded of the blessings those family members brought to my life as a child, teen and adult. Never once did I feel unwanted, unloved or alone.

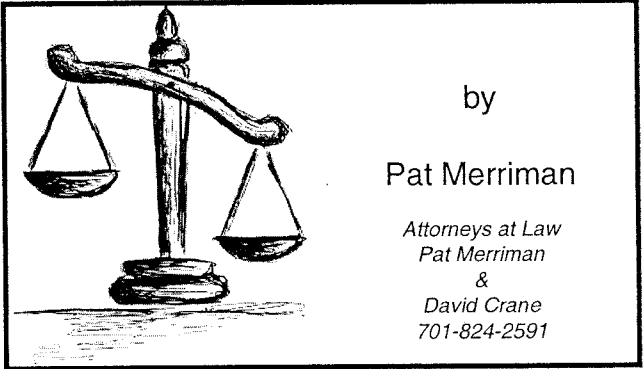
In my first Thanksgiving after my late husband David had passed I was once again in California. Daughter Tiffany and I had moved back to my grandparents farm house. Just as the grandparents had done time and again, we hosted the family at that tiny cottage for the holidays. For some reason it didn't feel crowded. It felt right. It felt like the blessing we knew that it would.

As we gather this year I am anticipating a time of happiness. We are thankful our daughters and granddaughters plus our two bonus daughters will be with us.

Traditionally we each voice what we are thankful for before dinner. I need only look around the table to see an abundance of gratitude in my life.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Remember life can be good today.



by Pat Merriman

Attorneys at Law Pat Merriman & David Crane 701-824-2591

Well, it's Thanksgiving already and the year is almost over. And, what a year! Elections, hospitals, court appearances, strife and turmoil. Frankly, I'm glad it's over and, I'm actually looking forward to that 4-hour, round-trip drive to the badlands of Dunn County where my daughter and grandchildren live for the Thanksgiving feast. And, I'm thankful! Well, I guess I should add that since my soon-to-be 15-year-old granddaughter will be driving a substantial portion of the trip on the 2-lane, back highways of this state this year, under my direct supervision of course, "thankful" might be a strong word where "cautiously optimistic" might be more accurate. It's hard to believe that the kid has had her permit now for almost one year. Something my wife (the Bear) has been less-than-thankful about I think. And, my personal opinion that their driving habits appear to be somewhat similar, will be kept to myself since sleeping on the couch would not make me so thankful!

And, my dog Bo will be thankful since he is being babysat by the neighbors who spoil him rotten. That plus the fact that the last time he accompanied me and Maddy in the Honda pickup, he hurled all over the back end when the kid's braking left something to be desired. Aaaaaah, to be young and newly behind the wheel again...NOT! So, my friends have a great Thanksgiving, spend time with family, cut them some slack and remember what I learned this year—it can end suddenly, without warning, and you don't get to see them again. And, to Yale child psychiatrist Amanda Calhoun who encouraged LGBTQ+ people (whose family members voted for Donald Trump) to shun their relatives over the upcoming holidays...[fill in the blank]! Sorry... it's a family newspaper. Have a great week.



Medical Benefit

DECEMBER 8 11AM-2PM

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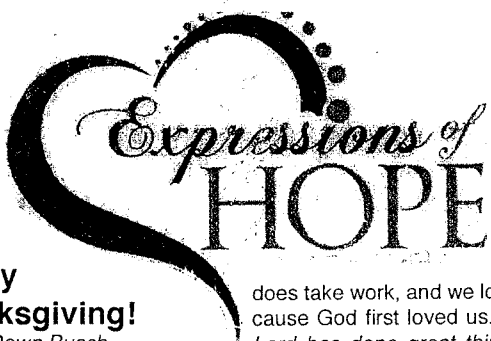
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If you do nothing else today, smile at someone who needs to see you smile

The five most essential words for a healthy, vital relationship are "I apologize" and "You are right."

~ NOTICE ~
Any changes for the
Mott Lions Calendar
be sure to get them in
soon!!!
Call 824-2605
with any changes
or additions!



Happy Thanksgiving!

Pastor Dawn Busch
Serving Belfield, Daglum, and
Medora Lutheran Churches
Psalm 126:3 is my favorite
refrain for this time of year.
*³ The Lord has done great things
for us, and we are glad indeed.*

Holidays can be difficult for
many people, especially people
who find themselves alone. My
dad recently survived a major
stroke and that doesn't feel like
something to be thankful for
when he isn't the same person
right now. I know he is getting
better every day, and I know oth-
ers are not as fortunate. How
can we focus on joy and thanks-
giving when life is a struggle?

God promises we are never
alone. Even sitting in a church
pew surrounded by other people
can feel lonely sometimes. It
takes energy and effort to care
for others and no one wants to
be a burden. Yet, you and I are
created to be in relationships..
relationship with God and rela-
tionship with our neighbors. It

does take work, and we love be-
cause God first loved us. *³ The
Lord has done great things for
us, and we are glad indeed.*

While thinking about Thanks-
giving, gathering together with
others can also be overwhelm-
ing- food to prepare, tables to
set, and a smile on your face
while you hope that everyone
gets along and no one brings
up those taboo subjects that
start arguments. Seated at the
table we notice the gift of rela-
tionships, we bow our heads
and give thanks for the gifts we
receive every day. We are not
alone, and we have a God who
promises to be with us through
our struggles and in our suc-
cesses.

I pray that you are not alone
this holiday season, and when
you are that you see God's pres-
ence in meaningful ways. *³ The
Lord has done great things for
us, and we are glad indeed.*

Blessings to you this Advent
season.
Pastor Dawn +

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- Help with receiving and stocking inventory
- Handle special orders and ensure timely customer
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- Perform other duties as needed, including light
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- Computer experience is a must

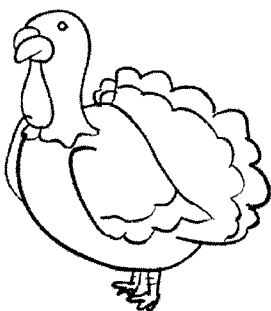
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Happy Thanksgiving!

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Casserole
Corn
Cranberry Sauce
Eat
Family
Friends
Gather
Gravy
Green Beans
Love
Mashed Potatoes
Pecan Pie
Pumpkin Pie
Rolls
Stuffing
Sweet Potatoes
Thanksgiving
Turkey



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**Happiness depends not upon things around me, but on my attitude.
Everything in my life will depend on my attitude.**

I may not be able to change the world I see around me, but I can change the way I see the world within me.



Wake up Call

Pastor Julian Burgess
Western Plains Baptist Church

Today we are looking at Joel 2:28-32 the Bible says and it shall come to pass afterwards that I will pour my Spirit out on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions. And also, on my menservants and maidservants I will pour out my Spirit in those days. And I will show wonders in the Heaven and in the earth: Blood and fires and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord. And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, as the Lord has said, among the remnant whom the Lord calls. Now this is the key word in those verses, remnant, that word means few. There is something like 8 billion people in this world, that is a lot of people. Now you take 20 percent of that number, that is called a remnant.

Matthew 7:21-23 says Not everyone who says Lord Lord shall enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but he who does the Will of My Father. Many will say to Me in that day, Lord Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name? And then I will declare to them, I never knew

you; depart from me, you who practice lawlessness.

Here we see Jesus being very blunt in His Word, just because you know about me, talk about me and think about me and yes even do work in my name, that does not make you mine. So even though you do all this stuff, depart I never knew you. When we stand before Jesus after our life here is over, we will give account of one thing, He will ask, what did you do for Me during your life on earth. That is the moment of truth for you. Did you make a profession of Faith in Jesus Christ. Did you openly acknowledge that you needed Jesus to come into your life, forgive you your sins and allow Him to become Lord of your life.

John 3:16 for God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever calls on His name will be saved and have everlasting life with Jesus. We become joint heirs with Jesus in Heaven.

Folks we have to be very careful here, there is a big difference in head knowledge about Jesus and heart knowledge about Jesus. Head knowledge is sure you know about Jesus. You go to Church, you hear about Him from talking to different people or just by listening to different people. And in this day it is very sad and even scarier there are Churches that have doctrine and beliefs that do not go along with Gods Word. I plead with you, if you do not

have a copy of Gods true Word, get one. The most important possession you will ever own, is a copy of Gods Word. He tells us over and over not to get caught up in false teaching and false doctrine.

Paul tells us in Romans 10:9-10 if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. You have to confess that Jesus is Lord. That is so important that you know this. Please do not let a person, Church or family member lead you down a false path. If you do, you could be the one paying the consequences.

The Bible again tells us in Matthew 7:13-14 enter by the narrow way; for wide is the gate and broad is the way, that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life and there are few who find it. That makes it pretty simple, wide is the road to destruction. Its wide, its easy and there is a whole lot less resistance and you just flow with what the world has to offer. Another way of saying, satan plants all them pretty shiny apples out in the world for us to get focused on rather than what Jesus would have us to do.

The other part of that verse, narrow is the way and there be few that find it. It is like walking a tight rope to Heaven and a 10 lane highway to hell. That narrow way is hard, difficult and long. Jesus promises in His Word that He will never leave us nor forsake us. All satan wants to do is derail you long enough to get you. The thing about the devil, once he gets you where he wants you he will leave you alone, he will not bother. If satan

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We continue today in our study of 1 Peter 1:13: "Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ." Last time we considered the first command listed in our verse: to gird up the loins of the mind. We saw that this means to have all our thinking guided and regulated by the Word of God. We need to be enabled by God's grace to keep our minds in readiness for whatever might come our way. In order to do this, we must heed the next words of verse 13: "Be sober." The Greek word used here is one which means the opposite of being intoxicated. It carries the idea of being alert and serious. In other words, it is impossible for us to think about everything in our lives in the right way unless we are careful and diligent. The Christian life should be one of constant thinking. The believer is continually making judgments in life—about whether to participate in something or to accept what someone is saying or how to speak and act in a certain situation. Life's responsibilities require him or her to make constant decisions about the best

course of action. A person simply cannot do that without being sober-minded.

We should realize that being sober does not mean the believer cannot laugh and have fun. But it does mean that even the believer's laughter and fun are things that he must give thought to. He does not want to laugh at what is sinful or to have fun at what is displeasing to the Lord. And so, to be discerning in life, one must be sober.

Sadly, in our day there are segments of Christianity which downplay the mind. Emotions and feelings seem to dominate. Certainly there is nothing wrong with emotions and feelings. God has given them to us. But they should come as the result of thought, as responses to correct thinking.

The third instruction that Peter gives in our verse is to "rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ." Back in verses 3 and 4, Peter told us that as children of God, we have a living hope, which is a guarantee from the Lord that we will spend eternity in heaven. It is a hope which cannot fade or be corrupted in any way and which will be realized when the Lord Jesus comes back in His glory. Now Peter tells us to keep dwelling upon this. This hope is what enables Christians to go through their sufferings and trials. They are all leading up to a

greater enjoyment of our eternal home. There are probably few men who suffered for Christ as extremely as the apostle Paul. Yet how did he view these sufferings? We find the answer in Romans 8:18: "For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us." Paul's hope was resting fully upon the grace that would be brought to him at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Thus he could endure his sufferings with joy.

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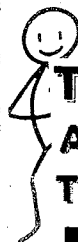
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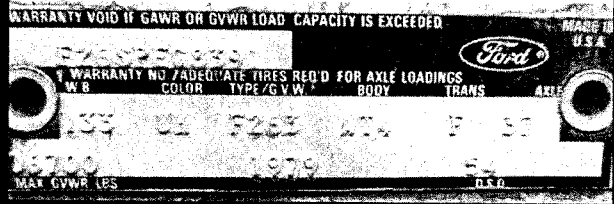
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“125 Years of Window Shopping”

By Don Taskila

Hettinger County, ND Feature Writer



“125 Years of Window Shopping” ... According to the IRS, the average ‘Monthly’ salary in 1920 was \$272.45. The average ‘Yearly’ income, according to 2023 IRS data, was 49 thousand 341 dollars and “And” 13 cents. Considering that a generation is defined as 20 to 25 years, which is the average time between an individual’s birth and the birth of their first child, the majority of 1920 tax returns were filed by “ONLY Men” who worked for different companies rather than being self-employed. NOTE: U.S. President Abraham Lincoln (our 16th President) enacted a revenue-raising bill in 1862 to assist in covering the costs of the Civil War. The act established America’s first income tax and also created a Commissioner of the Internal Revenue (IRS). Annual incomes between \$600 and \$10,000 were subject to a 3 percent tax, while those over \$10,000 were subject to a 5 percent tax.

In 1920, an employed worker's annual salary was sufficient to purchase an automobile. The Ford Model T was a well-liked and reasonably priced automobile in the 1920s; however, prices varied by make and model. Henry Ford's use of the assembly line to mass-produce cars caused the price of the Model T to decrease from \$850 in 1908 to about \$250 in the mid-1920s. In the 1920s, a Chevrolet was about \$525. The 1929 Ford Model A's initial pricing ranged from \$385 to \$1,400 for the higher-end Town Car. In 2024, a 'Working Person's Used/New CAR' (NOT a Pickup TRUCK) costs about \$25,000 to \$54,000 on average; these figures differ greatly depending on the car's age, kind of vehicle, the manufacturer, and the car dealer.

America's main source of entertainment back in the 1920s was listening to the 'AM Radio'. Back then the word "Stream" still defined a tiny river or a fishing creek. The Radio Corporation of America (RCA), Crosley, Zenith, Atwater Kent, Westinghouse, Massey, and Wurlitzer were among the manufacturers of popular 'Early 1920s AM Radios'. These AM Radios were so pricey during this time in American History, that most Americans considered them to be a major investment. A new radio cost more than \$200 during the start of the 1920s, which is equivalent to around \$3,250 in today's money due to inflation. But by the 1930s, AM Radios were much more reasonably priced. So much more reasonable in price that, according to the U.S. National Census, 40% of Americans had at least one AM radio. A table-top model from the '1930 Sears Roebuck Fall Catalog' cost \$21.50, or about \$384 in 2024 inflation-adjusted dollars. Duly noted, many Americans still considered this amount to be a sizable investment, especially during the Great Depression. Eighty-three percent of Americans owned an AM Radio by the time the 1940s arrived. Listening to AM Radio was a shared social experience within families, and radio listening was also widely acceptable socially across small groups of people in communities. The broadcasts were FREE then, unlike the inflationary 'TV Streaming Costs of Today's World of Events'.

“125 Years of Window Shopping” ... The price of ‘Things_Objects_Products_Merchandise’, “Everyday Usable/Needed STUFF” is one of the biggest differences between then and now—125 Years ago. In general, the prices THEN seem like pocket change in comparison to today’s cost numbers. It’s important to remember that “Everything in Life is a CLOSE RELATIVE” > to inflation.

In 1920, it would have cost roughly \$6,300 to build a lovely, family-sized “NEW Home” in suburbia and realize the idea of a white picket fence. Based on current market trends, a “nice, good-family-sized home” (NOT newly built) in a city of 100,000 people would probably cost between \$350,000 and \$500,000 in Today’s prices, depending on the neighborhood’s quality, the house’s features, and the specific location. However, this is only an estimate and could vary significantly depending on regional differences in the housing market.

At the grocery store back in 1920, a dozen eggs cost 47 cents, 1 pound of 'Beef Round Steak' cost 40 cents, and three pounds of macaroni cost 25 cents. The average cost of a 'Half-Gallon of Milk' in 1920 was 33 cents. Nowadays, the average price of a gallon of milk across 'America's Family Grocery Stores' is between \$4.00 and \$4.89. A dozen eggs typically cost between \$3.72 and \$5.61. Inflation in recent years has caused grocery store prices to increase substantially, even more than was commonly expected or 'Wanted/Needed by America's Consumers'.

"Fill 'er up!" In 1920, a gallon of regular gas cost 30 cents. AAA reports that today's average price of a gallon of regular unleaded gas in the United States is currently \$3.05.

A typical restaurant dinner meal for two in the 1920s would cost around 70 cents in total. A modest serving restaurant meal "Dinner for 2" would roughly be \$36 to \$50 plus sales tax in 2024 money.

Laundry wasn't going to do itself in the 1920s; a washing machine cost about \$82 THEN. A washer and dryer set in 2024 might cost anywhere from \$1500 to \$2500, depending on the brand, size, features, and combination selected. The average price range for a new washing machine is \$700 to \$1,300. New dryers go from \$800 to \$1,200. NEW Washer/ Dryer sets with high-end options can reach over \$3,000.

A cinema movie theater ticket on the 'American Big Screen' cost 15 cents in the 1920s. Nowadays, the average cost of a movie ticket is between \$7 and \$9 per person, but some theaters command \$20 per person viewing.

In 2024, the average cost of a wedding in the U.S. has been around \$33,000, a marginal rise over the 2023 figure of \$29,000. This figure varied somewhat depending on the location of the wedding and other factors, but even so, it averaged a range from \$14,450 to \$49,225. The average cost of a social wedding in 1920 was about \$400.

'The Bob' was the most popular ladies hairstyle in the 1920s. It cost \$5.00 to get the first cut and \$2.00 a week to maintain the style.



Thank You(s for reading "125 Years of Window Shopping" ... Let me end by saying: In 'My World of Window Shopping', my desire is what counts me into first, 2nd, or third place, and my imagination is vitally important too. Window Shopping depends on my ability to laughingly appreciate what I seemingly cannot have just yet.

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Area School Calendar
Dec. 2nd - Dec. 7th

Bowman County

2

FFA
@ Medora
1:07pm
7-12 Student
Council
6:30pm
Fall Awards
Banquet

3

4pm
GBB (ABC)
@ S. Heart
4pm
GBB JH
@ Trinity
4:30pm
WR JH
@ Harding Co.

4

5

4pm
GBB JH
@ Hettinger
4pm
BBB JH
@ New
England

6

4pm
GBB JH
@ Fairfield

7

10am
BBB JH
vs S. Heart
@ Home

2pm/8am WR V/JH @ Velva

Scranton

2

3

4

5

4pm
GBB JH
vs Bowman
@ Hettinger
4pm
BBB JH
@ Taylor

6

4pm
GBB (ABC)
@ Mott

7

WR G
@ Bismarck
10am
BBB JH
@ Beach

WR Boys @ Mandan

Harding County

2

5:30pm
GBB JH
vs Baker
@ Home

3

4:30pm
WR JH
@ Home

4

5

5:30pm
GBB JH
vs Nighthawks
@ Hettinger

6

9am
WR
@ Custer

7

9am
WR JH
@ Rapid City
TBD
GBB JH
LMC Tourn.
@ Home

Baker, MT

2

4pm
GBB JH
@ Buffalo

3

5pm
WR JH
@ Buffalo

4

5

6

No
School
4:30pm
GBB JH
@ Lemmon

7

8am
SP/DR
@ W. Point

GBB/BBB @ Lewistown

WR @ Sidney

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~ School News ~
Elgin/New Leipzig Public School

Sunday, December 1
No Open Swimming
Monday, December 2
JH BBB Practice Begins
HS BBB Practice Begins
Tuesday, December 3
Pre School 8:15 - 3:15
GBB A - B vs New Salem/Almont @ GC @ 5:00
JH GBB @ New England @ 4:00
No Open Swimming
Wednesday, December 4
Adult Water Aerobics 3:30 - 4:30 & 5:30 - 6:30
Pre School 8:15 - 3:15
PLC's @ 7:30 am
Thursday, December 5
Pre School 8:15 - 3:15
Open Swimming 6 - 8
No Drama Play moved to later date
Friday, December 6
GBB A - B - C vs Hettinger/Scranton @ Mott/Regent @ 4:00
JH GBB @ Richardton/Taylor @ 4:00
Saturday, December 7
JH GBB Tourney @ Flasher TBA
New England Public School
Monday, December 2
3:30 pm A - B BBB practice begins
Tuesday, December 3
4:00 pm 7 - 8 BBB vs South Heart in gym
4:00 pm 7 - 8 GBB vs Grand Co/Mott/Regent in gym
Wednesday, December 4
Religion Release Begins at 2:00
Thursday December 5
5th - 12th grade Why Character Matters in old gym
Dismissal for 7 - 8 GBB traveling to Fairfield for 4:00 pm game vs Belfield
Dismissal for A - B GBB traveling to Hebron for 5:00 pm game vs Glen Ullin/Hebron
4:00 pm 7 - 8 BBB vs Bowman in new gym
Friday, December 6
4:00 pm 7 - 8 GBB vs South Heart
Mott/Regent Public School

Monday, December 2
FFA Leadership Conference @ Medora
JH BBB 1st Day of Practice
HS BBB 1st Day of Practice
HS FB Banquet @ Playhouse Theatre, 7:00
Tuesday, December 3
Jim Upgren (ND Scholarship)
JH GBB @ New England, 4:00
HS GBB (AB) vs New Salem/Almont Grant County, 5:00
Wednesday, December 4
Elementary School Improvement, 2:00
7-12 Staff Meeting, 3:25
FAFSA Help Night for Seniors & Parents, 5:30
Thursday, December 5
Elementary Christmas Concert, 1:30
7-12 Christmas Concert, 7:00
Friday, December 6
Finance Committee Meeting, 7:00 AM
JH GBB @ Richardton/Taylor, 4:00
HS GBB (ABC) vs Hettinger/Scranton, 4:00
Saturday, December 7
JH GBB @ Flasher Tourney

~ NOTICE ~

Mott/Regent Public School is looking to see if there is interest in the following adult evening classes among our community members. We don't have a schedule of the classes at this time, we are just getting an idea of how many people would be interested for each class. Please call Missy at the school if your are interested in any of the following classes.

- Some courses may require a fee to pay for supplies.
- Basic Hand Sewing
 - Basic Machine Sewing
 - Ethnic Foods
 - String Art
 - Outdoor Planter Box
 - Floral Arrangement
 - FFA mini contests for all ages

Mott/Regent Elementary School
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two paraprofessionals
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Please contact Deb Bohn,
Elementary Principal
at 824-2795 if interested.

Encourage your children, but let them know - - - win or lose they are all winners to us.

We're making a list of all the good people and your name keeps coming up



Jason Dean Kromarek Death Notice

Jason Dean Kromarek, 51, of Scranton, ND, passed away on November 6, 2024, in Bismarck, ND. Born on a frosty day in Hettinger, ND, February 16, 1973, to Allan and Donna Kromarek, he joined siblings, Debbie and



Scott. Debbie always thought he made too much noise, but then was right there if he made a little noise. Scott was not impressed, as he couldn't even play tractors with him.

Jason grew up on the farm south of Scranton. As a child, he enjoyed fishing and swimming in the river and sledding down the hills in the wintertime. He loved critters—from minnows and water snakes to frogs and toads, from injured birds and baby mice to cuddly kittens and face-kissing puppies. He attended school in Scranton from kindergarten through graduation in the spring of 1991.

After graduation, he moved away from home for a number of years, working as a pip-

efitter installing fire suppression systems. He also tried sheet metal work, welding, and retail sales and service. The open skies and country living drew him back to the farm, where he helped his parents with the farming and livestock.

Jason met Stacy Sargeant in 1994, and they brought 2 sons into the world, Jaric and Devin. Jaric and Devin became the center of Jason's world. Jason shared his love of gaming, animals, music and the Green Bay Packers with the boys, and his sons developed similar passions as they grew.

Jason loved music and enjoyed playing the guitar. He and the boys would spend hours jamming to CD's or jamming out on guitars. It was amazing how he could listen to a tune, grab his guitar, start picking the strings, and play the song, with no help of sheet music. As his father's health declined, Jason spent many nights sitting on the floor at his feet. He would randomly strum his guitar or play a country song. This seemed to calm his dad's agitations and brought peace and pleasure.

Jason married Julie Bjorness, in June of 2012, in Medora, ND. Their wedding vows blended 2 families, adding son, Damian and daughter, Adia. As the kids grew and moved away from the farm, Jason turned to gardening and his household pets for enjoyment and relaxation. Though he toiled laboriously with his flowers, strawberries and vegetables, it never seemed to fail that the deer and rabbits reaped the rewards of his efforts. Over the years, he had numerous housecats and

dogs, and it was common for them to trail after him, rub lovingly against him, or share the chair with him for an afternoon snooze. Many phone calls with his mother entailed stories of crazy, goofy antics performed by one of his furry buddies. Jason became a grandfather a little over a year ago and loved to tell others about granddaughter, Reagan, citing her growth, sweet actions and overall cuteness. Jason would have welcomed a new grandbaby this upcoming March, but will now instead become their guardian angel.

Jason is survived by his loving wife, Julie Kromarek; sons, Devin Kromarek, Jaric Kromarek, and Damian Cowley (wife Trisha); his daughter, Adia Valloff (husband Vance and grandchild Reagan); his mother, Donna Kromarek; his sister, Debbie Croker (husband James); and his brother Scott Kromarek (wife Deni). He is also survived by his father-in-law, John Bjorness. Friends and neighbors, in-laws, numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins are also left to grieve the loss of Jason. His family remembers him as a dedicated father, husband, brother, and son whose presence enriched their lives immeasurably. His wit, humor and smirks will be greatly missed.

Jason was preceded in death by his father, Allan Kromarek; his paternal grandparents, Pete and Eloise Kromarek; his maternal grandparents, Earl and Alvina Hansen; and his nephew, Tanner Kromarek. He was also preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Jim Bjorness and mother-in-law, Evelyn Bjorness.

Jason's life was one of quiet dedication, a trait that extended into all his relationships and endeavors. During a rough time in his life, Jason questioned, "Why is it so easy to say, 'I Love You', but so hard to show it?" As a tribute to Jason, please remember that a hug or a smile can mean a lot to a person facing problems. Don't hesitate to show your love each day.

Death Notice for Eldon Allram

Eldon William Allram, 91, of Bowman, ND, passed away peacefully, surrounded by loved ones on Sunday, November 17, 2024, at the Southwest Healthcare Long Term Center in Bowman, North Dakota. He is now with his beloved wife Evelyn Hansen (Tkachenko) who passed away on October 22, 2024. They had a wonderful life together and would have celebrated their 43rd anniversary on November 18, 2024.

Eldon was born June 30, 1933, at home on his parents'



farm in Sheridan Township in Dunn County Wisconsin. After high school he married and worked alongside his father William Allram, on their farm in Prairie Farm, Wisconsin. Besides farming, he was also a construction and carpenter worker during the week. He was talented and there wasn't much that he couldn't do.

One of his passions was raising and working with horses. He boarded and broke horses and even had a talent for shoeing them. He took pleasure in his involvement with the Ridge Riders Saddle Club, earning ribbons in barrel races and other events.

He was known for his wit and sense of humor. He loved playing and joking with all his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

In the late 70's he moved to Bowman, North Dakota and became a "Jack of all Trades", remodeling homes in the surrounding area and then found another passion as a long-haul truck driver. After marrying Evelyn (Eve) on November 18, 1981, he made his final home in Bowman and worked on her farm along with her son. He became a respected citizen in the community and a comforting soul to those in need.

Eldon was an active member and deacon of the Bowman Seventh Day Adventist Church. He and Eve were involved in the Adventist Community Services that help with disaster relief programs, traveling to Peru to help build a church. He also became an ambulance driver for the town at one point.

Eldon is survived by five children from his first wife, DeLores Talmage (Deruso): Douglas and LouAnn (Bannink) Allram of WI, Keith and Debra (Allram) Thomas of FL, Rickie and Darice (Moskal) Allram of WI, Craig and Cindy (Chermack) Allram of WI, Sam and Denise (Allram) Ehlenz of MN, and twelve grandchildren, and twenty-six great-grandchildren. With Eve he is survived by two stepsons and a stepdaughter: Ted (deceased) Hansen's wife Ketty (Alpajora) Hansen of ID, Alan and Rayleen (Weisz) Hansen of MN, Curt (deceased) Hansen's wife Charlene (Juhl) Hansen-Davis married to Jerry Davis of ND, Jeff and Diane (Pelto) Hansen of KS, Barry and Vicki (Hansen) Toay of ND, and eleven grandchildren and thir-

teen great-grandchildren. He has two surviving sisters Ardella (Allram) Monson and Donna (Allram) Miller.

Eldon was preceded in death by his loving wife Evelyn, parents, William and Alma Allram; son, Steven Allram, and two grandchildren, Ryan Allram, and

Dafney (Allram) Cabrera.

Eldon will be deeply missed but is now sleeping in Jesus and anxious for his soon return.

A service for Eldon and Evelyn will be held in Bowman, North Dakota on June 13th 2025. More details to follow.



Smile A Little Push

I was sitting in my car the other day when an old clunker stalled nearby. The driver was unable to start the old car, and traffic quickly started backing up behind him. Horns sounded and angry drivers shouted their unpleasant words at the embarrassed man. After a while, car began to pull around the old car. Finally, one person drove up behind the stalled vehicle and gave it a push. Soon it began moving under its own power and traffic got underway again!

How like life that is! Someone is halted by circumstances. Most people shout their disgust at the unfortunate person and leave him to his fate. All he really needs is a little push to get started again.

Sometimes a little smile or kind word is all the push we need to make someone happy.



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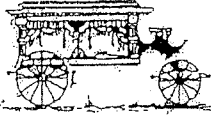
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I WILL CARRY YOU – TO THE OTHER SHORE

In late August, a cousin wrote to me the following: *"I have been through enough trials to know that one does have to walk through the valley with God alone. Have you read the Surrender Novena by Fr. Dolindo Ruotolo? It was a great help to me when I had cancer. The most comforting to me was (from day 5): 'And when I must lead you on a path different from the one you see, I will prepare you; I will carry you in my arms; I will let you find yourself, like children who have fallen asleep in their mother's arms, on the other bank of the river.'"* [My cousin's email to me concluded]: *"We do pray for you daily - both for a miracle and for the grace to surrender to the suffering."*

A few days after that email arrived, a friend out of state phoned me. She happens to be a great promoter of Fr Ruotolo's *Surrender Novena*. And wouldn't you know, she quoted to me on the phone the very same excerpt from Day 5. But on the phone, she cut the quote off short, omitting, *"...on the other bank of the river,"* which I understand as the crossing over at death. I will take this quote whole and entire, including the reference to crossing over to the other bank of the river. This is what I pray for quite often: *"Jesus, thank you for saving me, for washing me in your blood, shed on the cross. You have brought me 'home' to our Father's house. When the time comes, when I am weary of the struggle with my cancer, please come take me home. Take me home, across to that other shore."*

I would love to be cured, to see my cancer go into a very unlikely remission, but I long for heaven too, to wake up on that other bank of the river, be it sooner or later. *I am so grateful for my salvation in Jesus, and my cancer diagnosis has brought this gratitude for salvation into very clear focus for me.* Early after diagnosis, I very often prayed with both my palms laid upon my cancerous middle. Now I seldom do this. Lying in my bed, my hands are up near my chin, palms to chest, a kind of here-I-am posture; this is me. I feel quite small, recollected, very present to my Father, intimate conversation partners. My prayer these days, in English or in tongues, is often

quieter, slower paced, whispering sweet nothings, perhaps, to God's ear. I am praying less often for a cure and more often to give myself back to God today and every day.

Recently in a thrift store, I found a knick-knack which I just had to bring home—a décor sign lettered, "Love brings us Home." The love of those who hold us dear brings us home to see them. Love of home brings us home for home's sake. And divine love, when the fullness of time is come, brings us Home. This is my great solace as I face my cancer. *Love will bring me Home.*

Often these days, I begin prayer like this: *"O Father, I feel so small, so vulnerable. I am so weak."*

Then I go on, pleading grace to hold me together, emotionally, spiritually, physically. *I pray for the grace of dying well if dying is what is underway in my body already. I pray for the grace to live well my dying process, to give good and joyful witness despite the psychological pain of letting go of so much which I have held dear—good health and long life; projects unfinished; hopes and dreams relinquished.* At four months since my diagnosis, I still weep some every day, tears of lament, but also many tears of profound gratitude and joy. Just these six small words can set me to weeping for joy most anytime: *"Jesus on the cross for me."*

Recently, I am getting accustomed to crying in tongues. How is that? Tongues give way to tears, which in turn give way to tongues, amidst little or no "thought" as to what I am praying. I trust God hears my heart cry in the tongues and the tears and the tongues again. Perhaps, crying in tongues, I am praying something like this: *"Father, I am yours. Call when you will, I will eagerly come home to You. Let me fall asleep in your arms and awaken on the other bank of the river."*

Father Hunger [part 11]
by Fr James Kilzer, OSB
IMPERFECT DADS

We all had imperfect dads, some egregiously imperfect, others just slightly imperfect. No human dads are perfect. No human dads through all the generations were perfect—except perhaps Joseph, husband of Mary and foster father of Je-

A LIFE IS NOT IMPORTANT except IN THE IMPACT IT HAS ON OTHER LIVES

Thoughts on Living with Cancer (#1)

18 August 2024

by Fr James Kilzer, OSB

Continued from last week



sus. Grandfathers failed to give their sons all they needed; so too, Dads, gave their kids what they could, but couldn't give them what they themselves had not received from Grandpa. I marvel at the quality of parenting (Moms and Dads) by my siblings and in-laws, nieces and nephews. It seems they hold an increased mindfulness, as compared to preceding generations, of nurturing their offspring emotionally, individually.

The industrial revolution changed a lot about making a living and living one's life. Whereas youths used to work with their parents in rural settings and in entrepreneurial business from home, the industrial revolution took work (and breadwinner) away from home. Many parents now make their living away from home, away from offspring. Parent-child time is much curtailed.

If a Dad is convinced of the importance of time with his offspring, he may compensate quite well for his working away from home. Does he lavish affection upon wife and children when he is home? Does he instead channel his generative care exclusively through his breadwinner role; keeping family relationships superficial? Providing food security to the family is one thing. Quite another is communicating daily and often every day that wife, son, daughter delights him and is his reason for living.

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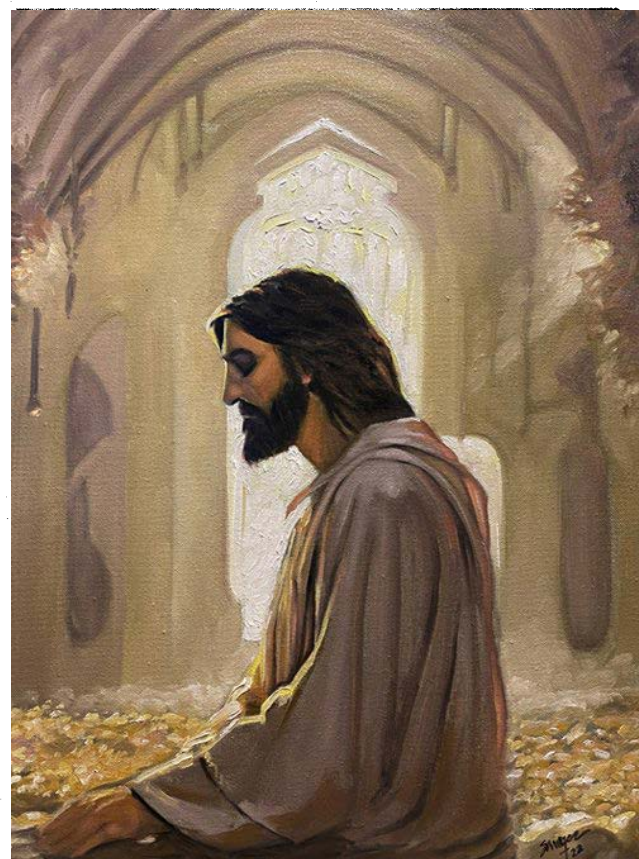
A child needs to know from both parents that the child is loved, cherished and safe. Children need age-appropriate nurturing-cuddling time. And [I think, though I am no expert] children need at least some of

this nurturing-cuddling time with Mom or Dad not shared with one or more siblings. Perhaps time on Dad's chest is about as necessary as time at Mom's breast at that early stage of physical and emotional development.

I recall Dad's padded rocking chair often filled with Dad and three or four of us kids. That lapful of kids was a kind of nurturing environment, but not able to stand in for one-to-one time. Being a middle child of 14, my siblings and I got rather little solo time with either parent. It was kind of like being raised in a litter. I think [again I am no expert] that it is difficult to impart to offspring a deep knowledge that one is loved and cherished as son, as daughter, without some solo time with Mom, with Dad. So, too, the communication of solicitous care; so, too, the communication to the child that you are safe; I will keep you safe. There are plusses and minuses to being raised in such a large family as I was. Among the minuses may be the phenomenon of being raised in a litter, more or less, lacking that solo time with Mom, with Dad, and all the blessing that this precious solo time is meant to communicate.

SOME FATHER-SON ANECDOTES

When Dad came in from field or shop, usually late except during mid-winter, it was often approaching Evening News time as he ate a late supper. I recall my brother and I unlacing Dad's work boots. Dad would appreciatively stretch his feet into the liberty of stockings-only, and he would utter a satisfied sigh. It was one little favor my brother and I could do for Dad, who worked quite long days. [My brother was with Dad much



of those long days. Not so, me.]

Years passed. I got schooled on how to cultivate corn two rows at a time, with one of our two Oliver 70 tractors. My sister's Oliver 70 may have had better steering; it could hardly have been worse than mine. What, with furrows, clods, uneven ground, and the loose steering linkage, guiding that cultivator tractor straight down the corn rows was wearisome and difficult for this greenhorn placed by Dad behind the steering wheel. [I was such a runt that Dad welded an extension on the clutch so I could reach it with my left foot.] One day, cultivating, I got my tractor stuck in a low muddy spot in a cornfield not once but twice. The second time that I walked home to get Dad to come pull my stuck tractor out, I was even more apprehensive than the first time earlier that day. Would Dad be angry at me for my clumsi-

ness? Would Dad be frustrated at lost time? Would he scold me? Greatly to Dad's credit, he said to me the second time exactly what he said the first time earlier that day: "When you approach a low wet area, just go around it. Just go around it." In this instance, I think my Dad was a saint for patience and kindness toward this vulnerable adolescent farmer's son, unsure of himself before his father, unsure of himself in his own skin.

Dad was forty when I was born, so by the time I was a teenager, Dad seemed to me "old"—into his early fifties. My brother and I took to filling the coal stoker hopper in the farmhouse basement, to relieve our old Dad of that job. This was one way, (like generations of old), where sons could observe and learn, learn and do, take over what they learned from being around their Dad a lot.

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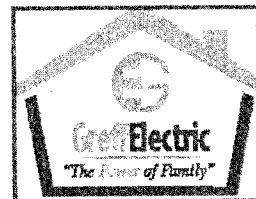
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by June Schmidt

I find it quite strange when I hear some of the news stories that are prominent on some of the major networks. For example, a joke that was made several weeks ago by a paid comedian poked fun at Puerto Rico. It was in bad taste for most of us, but as we all know, there have been many a bad taste joke made over the years by comedians. It should come as no shock to anyone that is over the age of 5 that comedians make their living by making jokes. Sometimes they are funny and sometimes they are not. However, most people have the good sense to either laugh at the joke or not and move on. So why is it so critical to a major news network that they keep repeating a bad taste joke over and over? Is it possible that they do it for ratings? Gee, you think?

So why is it that our news services, the majority of them right now, have gone to opin-

ions instead of actual news? Is it more fascinating to listen to someone rave on about how much they don't like this or that thing and possibly make up something just to keep people interested? How often have we later heard that the particular story that was being passed around was untrue? Do we actually believe everything we hear on social media nowadays? If so, there is the phrase that goes, 'then I have this bridge I want to sell you' which is an old way of saying it probably isn't true unless you have seen it or heard it yourself.

I tend to believe that most of the so called news programs today are basically gossip and we all know what that is worth. When we were kids, we played at passing around something we heard from person to person whispered in our ear, and laughed at the fact that each person heard something just a bit different after about the third pass and when it got to the end and the last kid said it out loud, it was hardly ever the same as

what it started out. Maybe that's what is happening today and they just call it news because they don't know what else to fill the time with. Unlike in the 'old days' as the kids call it, we had entertainment programs for most of the day and there were only news programs at noon, 6 pm and 9 pm. They mostly lasted one half hour to an hour, they read the latest news without expressing opinion and then we got to go back to our entertain-

ment. Now we have channels that are news 24 hours a day, and blogs where people just sit around and basically gossip about what they have heard and what they feel about it. If they say too much that people don't like, they sometimes have to say a 'disclaimer' to let the network off the hook from being sued, but mostly they can say what they like. Unlike the Jerry Springer Show, which we know is totally classified as entertainment, this is what they call news these days. I believe I can get better information from the cups and string method from my childhood!

So what can we do about it? Not much apparently as even those that profess to 'tell the truth' are often wrong about the facts of the situation, and if the ratings start to fail, the networks just seem to throw more sensational items out there just so that you will stay with the channel and not switch to another. Personally I am going to do just that and switch the channel. I would rather watch paint dry on a house flipper

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show or go to something that is classified as entertainment than watch anything resembling most news channels. I wish we could turn back time, as the song says, and go back to news only 3 times per day, but that won't happen. All I can say, is be on the alert and if something

sounds a bit odd, check it out so that you can get the 'rest of the story' before you form your own opinion on things. In this season of good will and thanksgiving, maybe just stick to the entertainment channels and keep your blood pressure under control. God Bless you All.

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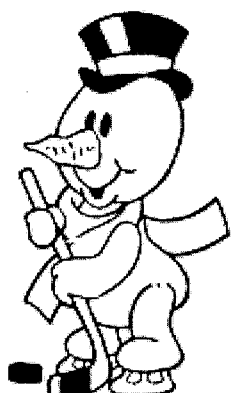
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