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Mother's Day Edition

A Monthly Newsletter to Inform and Entertain Our Clients

Happy Mother's Day, Moms!



Here's to Making Mom's Special Day Memorable and Enjoyable

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My Thoughts This Month

I recently read a quote by Dr. Adrian Rogers, written long before the arrival of Obama and his "spread the wealth" theory, the phony 1% vs. 99% Occupy Movement bunch, out of control government spending, ever-increasing debt and government controlled healthcare, that warned us of what is to come...

"You cannot legislate the poor into freedom by legislating the wealthy out of freedom. What one person receives without working for, another person must work for without receiving. The government cannot give to anybody anything that the government does not first take from someone else. When half the people get the idea that they do not have to work because the other half is going to take care of them, and when the other half gets the idea that it does no good to work because somebody else is going to get what they work for, that is the end of any nation. You cannot multiply wealth by dividing it."

There are some who will deny this and even claim that the national debt does not matter and by borrowing and printing money, we can give without taking. Yet, each dollar borrowed or printed devalues every dollar you've earned until the currency finally collapses. And, some fear that day is not far off.

Add this... the number of people on Food Stamps is at a record high of 47 million – a 70% increase in enrollment since 2008! Every previous president would have seen that as an indictment of failed economic policy. Yet this administration actively encourages recruitment of new recipients, even running food stamp promotions at foreign embassies! Indeed, government workers are given awards for getting people to sign up. And don't forget the record number on welfare, now totaling about 1/3 of all the people in the US.

What does any of this have to do with Mother's Day? Nothing, really. But, I do think back to the days, really not that long ago, when working hard, becoming successful and perhaps building a business was something that was respected and admired. Now, it seems that many look at success as something that can only be explained by luck, evil or injustice and should be punished.

However, I am starting to sense that all of this is reaching the breaking point and the silent majority in this country will soon remain silent no longer. Serious and much needed changes will be made. Let's hope so, for the alternative is a collapsing economy, a vastly different standard of living for everyone, especially the poor, and a nation that we will no longer recognize.

Now, back to our regular programming...

Things Mom Would Never Say...

- "How on earth can you see the TV sitting so far back?"
- "Yeah, I used to skip school a lot, too"
- "Just leave all the lights on ... it makes the house look more cheery"
- "Let me smell that shirt -- Yeah, it's good for another week"
- "Well, if Timmy's mom says it's OK, that's good enough for me."
- "The curfew is just a general time to shoot for. It's not like I'm running a prison around here."
- "I don't have a tissue with me ... just use your sleeve"
- "Don't bother wearing a jacket the wind-chill is bound to improve"

Mother's Day Facts

Today, most of the world celebrates Mother's Day. Here are a few facts about moms and mother's day.

 The modern version of mother's day was first observed in 1907. Anna Jarvis started a letter writing campaign to recognize mother's day, something she wanted to do to honor her deceased mother.



- Anna Jarvis regretted how commercialized Mother's Day had become and spent the rest of her life fighting the holiday.
- The US Congress officially recognized Mother's day as a holiday in 1914.
- Mother's Day is the second most popular holiday for gift-giving, following Christmas.
- Mother's Day is the third-largest card-sending holiday in the United States, with 141 million cards exchanged annually.

Don't Forget the Mother's Day Card!!! (Flowers would be nice, too.)

Mother's Day By The Numbers

4.1 million - Number of women between the ages of 15 and 50 who gave birth in the past 12 months. **53% -** Percentage of 15- to 44-year-old women who were mothers in 2010.

25.4 - Average age of women in 2010 when they gave birth for the first time, up from 25.2 years in 2009.

Jacob and Sophia - The most popular baby names for boys and girls, respectively, in 2011.

- **5 Million -** Number of stay-at-home moms in 2012 statistically unchanged from 2009, 2010 and 2011-down from 5.3 million in 2008.
- **10.3 Million -** The number of single mothers living with children younger than 18 in 2012, up from 3.4 million in 1970.

\$126.90 – The total amount of money the average person will spend on gifts for their mom on Mother's Day.

Monthly Quotes

"All that I am or ever hope to be, I owe to my angel mother."-Abraham Lincoln

"Mothers hold their children's hands for a short while, but their hearts forever." – Unknown

"The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother." -

Unknown

"There is only one pretty child in the world, and every mother has it" -Chinese Proverb



MARK YOUR MAY CALENDAR ...

May 4 Kentucky Derby May 5 Cinco de Mayo May 12 Mother's Day May 27 Memorial Day

Be Kind to Animals Week – May 5 - 11 Nation Family Week – May 5 - 11

American Craft Beer Week – **May 13 – 19**

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