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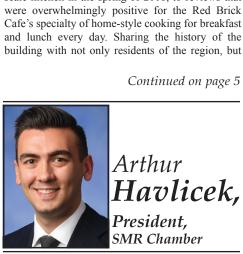


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The coronavirus claimed another victim in Michigan's Great Southwest. This time in the form of a

small business enterprise that has found the current shutdown to be insurmountable in the long run, folding operations before mounting debts become insurmountable as well. Downtown Baroda's Red Brick Cafe has just faded into history. It was just over a year ago that I first told you the story of an anniversary at the colorful building in the heart of downtown Baroda with a storied past, whose present at that time was rapidly garnering attention as a truly hidden treasure. The building began its interesting journey way back at the turn of the century when it was built to house a bank. In fact, the bank vault is still in existence today. Later it became a meat locker and butcher shop for the community of Baroda. For a very brief time it was a photography studio, and then became a church. Until the mandated stay home order that closed restaurants and cafes to any on premise service, it had been the dynamic little diner and performance house known as The Red Brick Cafe. It was a bit of a journey once taking on the Red Brick moniker. Owners and operators Larry and Joan Litke launched renovation at the cafe in the summer of 2015, but did all the work themselves, so while it was a labor of love, it was also a time-consuming process. In the beginning it was all about the music. They love music and wanted to bring live performances to the Village of Baroda. They even hosted an Open Mic Night every Thursday evening with dinner starting at 5:00 pm and enjoyable music starting at 7:00. This week however, Joan took to Facebook to tell the sad news of the end of the journey: "With great sadness in my heart, Larry and I went down this morning and told our landlord we are folding the Red Brick Cafe. There is no way we could bounce back from this pandemic we are in. Thank you to all who supported us we love you all." The Red Brick's origin was as a coffee shop, opening in the summer of 2016, a year after renovations were begun, but it was still very much a hot house for the live music scene, with live entertainment every Saturday night from 6-10pm. Driven by the desire to have a relaxed atmosphere and that small-town feeling, the Litkes opened a full scale kitchen in the spring of 2018, to reviews that were overwhelmingly positive for the Red Brick Cafe's specialty of home-style cooking for breakfast and lunch every day. Sharing the history of the building with not only residents of the region, but

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Your Chamber Update

the use of emergency powers rages on in Lansing, elected leaders must now also find a way to pass a balanced state budget when Michigan's economy has crashed, and tax revenue has steeply

Last year's budget process proved tumultuous and it had nothing to do with the coronavi-

As the contention over executive orders and rus. Rather, complications of a divided government and fundamental differences over how to fund Michigan's crumbling roads led to a compromise being achieved late in the year.

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Part of that compromise included a new bill requiring the legislature to present a budget plan to the Governor by July 1. This is the first year

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that requirement would be in effect and the deadline is getting closer by the day.

By May, House and Senate appropriations subcommittees would have typically held several weeks of hearings, reported out their individual department budgets, and begun preliminary negotiations with their counterparts in the other chamber. The coronavirus has put them way behind schedule.

To make matters worse, early estimates from the State's Treasury Department predict tax revenues for the 2020 fiscal year could plummet anywhere from \$1 billion to \$3 billion. Along the same tract, the University of Michigan's Research Seminar on Quantitative Economics projected we would see anywhere from a \$2.6 billion to \$4 billion loss. Even the dependable Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference that will be held on May 15 may be unable to pinpoint exactly what the state will have to work

The inability to convene, coupled with unprecedented economic uncertainty, has made achieving a truly deliberated-on product by the July 1 deadline unlikely. Furthermore, if the budget bills are not signed by constitutionally required Sept. 30 deadline, the state would go into government shutdown.

One thing is for sure, the economic impact of COVID-19 on state spending will be significant. As such, subcommittee chairs are already drafting proposals that could slice 10%, 20%, or even 30% out of each of their budgets. I am bracing you for that probability because, while necessary, the result of a thirty-percent cut will likely be felt far and wide.

As these discussions begin, we will work on your behalf to ensure Southwest Michigan's priorities do not get lost in the mix. To start, we are offering the following suggestions to our elected

- Issue a one-time extension of the July 1 deadline to provide time for substantive deliberations and thoughtful negotiations.
- Appropriate \$250 million from the \$1 billion Budget Stabilization Fund to offset economic losses. Do not deplete the reserve
- · Ensure adequate resources for Michigan's rapidly depleting Unemployment Insurance Fund. As of right now, the fund is projected to run out of cash within two months.
- · Prioritize spending cuts over any tax increase proposals. Individuals and businesses have been asked to make enough sacrifices during this pandemic - allow them to contribute through the revenue they generate by getting back-to-work.
- Prioritize state spending on protecting vulnerable populations in our society.
- Continue funding the state's workforce development programs. They are more critical than ever to getting Michigan's workers back on their feet.
- Continue funding the Pure Michigan tourism campaign. The campaign brings in over \$8 for every \$1 spent and is proven to generate visitors to our area and revenue for our local businesses.

The budget debate in the weeks and months ahead will be a contentious one. However, you can count on the Southwest Michigan Regional Chamber to be a strong voice for area businesses until the very end.

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Lydia

La fe en momentos difíciles según mi experiencia y percepción

va a ocurrir, o de que nada malo sucederá. También es una firme convicción de que existe

algo más de nuestras percepciones, no puramente material, que vela por nuestros sueños, que nos sorprende con experiencias de aprendizaje, que nos da buena suerte, que nos cuida, nos empuja... Tal vez fue por eso por eso Nuestro Señor y Salvador nos dijo "la fe mueve montañas".

Las encuestas muestran que más del cuarenta por ciento de los estadounidenses en busca de ayuda por problemas de salud mental acude primeramente con los ministros, sacerdotes y rabinos. Esta cantidad representa el doble de quienes acuden inicialmente a ver a un psiquiatra, psicólogo o médico familiar.

Lo cierto es que sea cual sea la creencia exacta de cada persona, hay una realidad en la misma. Si tienes fe, las cosas acaban ocurriendo como por arte de magia. Cuando pones fe en lo que deseas con buenas intenciones, se centras toda tu energía, toda tu motivación, tu ilusión, tus ideas, provectos, decisiones... Y, por consiguiente, no hay duda que ocurre algo maravilloso.

Pero también es cierto que la fe mueve montañas solamente cuando es verdadera y firme, solamente cuando estás plenamente convencido(a) de lo que anhelas que ocurra. Ya que, de alguna manera, con toda tu positiva actitud, pensamientos, creencias, sentimientos, emociones, convicción y conductas, estás haciendo realidad lo que deseas. Toda tu vida la diriges hacia allí. Cuando oramos con fe, también es creer que tú puedes conseguir hasta las cosas más imposibles para el hombre, pero para Dios posibles.

"La fe: he aquí lo más necesario al hombre. Desgraciado el que no cree en nada"

-Victor Hugo, escritor de origen francés y autor de la novela "Los Miserables".

Tener fe, pero sin perder la perseverancia

Es muy importante tener unas creencias hacia la vida y fe en ellas, porque así nos dirigimos sin duda, sin miedos, sin prejuicios. Sin

La fe es una creencia embargo, es imprescindible no anularse en la fe, firme en que algo bueno mantener nuestros criterios, valores, reflexiones y aprendizajes de experiencias pasadas. Consecuentemente, la fe es dirigirse hacia un objetivo, esperando que el optimismo nos acompañe, pero sin olvidarnos de lo que esto supondrá, de los riesgos de contraer una enfermedad y de sus posibles consecuencias.

> Ahora es el momento de no dejarse inundar por el miedo, sino por la fe en el Creador, creyendo en nuestras posibilidades, en nuestra experiencia, nuestras capacidades y en la vida, que harán que tengamos muchas posibilidades para conseguirlo. "Querer es poder".

> Razones para decrecer la fe. Confesar la falta de fe indolentemente, es falta de confianza y ánimo en sí mismo, y en Dios. Declarar que somos muy incrédulos, es quitarle méritos a Dios en sus procesos y sus promesas.

La duda es enemigo de la fe. "Y luego Jesús, extendiendo la mano, trabó de Él, y le dice: Oh hombre de poca fe, ¿por qué dudaste?" -Mateo 14:31

La abundancia interior incluye la fe. "Por tanto, como en todo abundáis, en fe, y en palabra, y en ciencia, y en toda solicitud, y en vuestro amor para con nosotros, que también abundéis en esta gracia." -2 Corintios 8:7.

La riqueza espiritual inicia con la fe. "Hermanos míos amados, oíd: ¿No ha elegido Dios los pobres de este mundo, ricos en fe, y herederos del reino que ha prometido a los que le aman?" -Santiago 2:5.

Acuérdense hermanos y hermanas, que la fe, humildad, arrepentimiento, agradecimiento y perdón están unidos con el amor y la misericordia

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Diane Genovese, Owner

Like myself, many of you over the past several weeks have had much time to reflect on your lives over the years no matter what your age may be. Perhaps you have relived many memories from your childhood, teen years, raising children, walking them down the aisle, welcoming their children into the world and on it goes. Thank God for these memories, most importantly these gifts. This leads me to my next thought I wish to share. Through this pandemic, it gives us pause to reflect on the truly important chapters of our lives and set new goals regarding the precious gift of time. Then along comes "Gratitude" in a new wave. We live in a fast pace world that now suddenly settled down, almost bewildering us not knowing what to do next. It has created a new sensitivity, one that allows us listen more closely to those most important in our lives, listen to the meaning in the words of our favorite music and listen more closely to our own thoughts and aspirations. While we are safe in our homes, plenty of food to eat, completing many projects we couldn't find the time to complete, reading a good book and enjoying "time to reflect", again along comes the "Gratitude". This is not to say it has not been difficult by any means. God bless all of our front line workers from the medical field to the clerks in our grocery stores, the many parents home schooling, many of them working from home as well, the children unable to be with their friends,

the elderly feeling more lonely than ever and for everyone in this world longing to be sharing time with their families. As I have scrolled through Facebook the past several days, I have enjoyed many funny posts that bring a smile to my face, have also read some that I no longer wish to dwell on, but one word seemed to pop up often and caught my attention. And that was "Gratitude". There were many prayers posted regarding "Gratitude." I once read, gratitude helps people connect to something larger than themselves as individuals — whether to other people, nature, or a higher power. Many have lost loved ones recently. When we lose a loved

one, it is the loving memories shared that guide

us through this journey, as we relive them

through our sadness but hopefully, they become

our solitude, our acceptance. Then in time comes

the "Gratitude", that we were so blessed to have

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Tara

Are you turning into a runner?

Unlike a lot of things right now, running isn't cancelled. In fact, the sport is actually growing! More people than ever are finding solace in pounding pavement—It's a solo activity, it can be done outside,

and the rules of social distancing are highly applicable.

So tell me—is this quarantine thing turning you into a runner?

Those of us that have been lacing up for a long time know that there's something so incredible about running. It harnesses two of our greatest human sensations: Fear and pleasure. In a book appropriately titled *Born to Run*, author Christopher McDougall explores this concept. "We run when we're scared, we run when we're ecstatic, we run away from our problems and run around for a good time," he writes.

Further proof why more people than ever are finding this sport right now!

If you answered "yes" to my previous question, I'd like to offer you the following tidbits to consider:

- 1) Running is hard, and it always will be. Think of running as a beautiful challenge. It will constantly push you above and beyond your limit, taking you in and out of your comfort zone every time you lace up. Embrace that, and you'll go far.
- 2) Two steps count, so does a mile or even a marathon. Running can be a team sport, but it's very much an individual battle. It's you, your feet, the road ahead and your determination to rise above what you did the day before—which is why every step counts, no matter how many you take.

3) Forward is a pace. Running is often associated with road racing. To some runners, pace (how fast you run) is everything. To others, it doesn't really matter—and that's perfectly fine. Forward movement of any kind will always generate progress. You don't have to be fast or slow. You just have to go.

4) Rest is important. Once you embrace running and all the joys it can generate, it can very easily become that one thing you need to do every single day. BUT—you must rest. The physical aspects of running will challenge any body, and you need to honor yours.

5) Good shoes make all the difference. This is, perhaps, the biggest takeaway. Not all shoes are created equally, and not all shoes are made for your feet! Invest in a pair that makes your feet happy, then the rest of your body will be, too. Even your mind.

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the tourist community as well, the Red Brick Cafe had become that truly hidden treasure they'd been referred to as. The uniqueness of the cafe was readily evident. As Joan said last year, "Walk in our doors and step into the past!" Now, the Red Brick Cafe in the heart of Baroda at 8952 First Street in the village joins the storied past of that iconic building, and the Litkes step away with heavy hearts,







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their delightful cafe taken from us by the ongoing health crisis ranging across the globe.

At a time when cleanliness is at the top of everyone's concern list, Brady Cohen is beaming proudly at the Inn at Harbor Shores following notification from AAA Travel that his resort hotel has been awarded the highest designation possible for being supremely clean. It was just last fall that the resort garnered status as a Four Diamond Status property, and this new designation adds a crowning touch to that. Cohen, the General Manager for the Inn at Harbor Shores Resort on the inner harbor along the St. Joseph River, says he has just received the certification from Colby Olen. the Senior Regional Account Manager for Multimedia Marketing and AAA Travel Information & Content at AAA. Olen writes, "I have some good news for you - The Inn at Harbor Shores has been designated a AAA 'Best of Housekeeping' property for 2020. This means that your property's housekeeping significantly surpassed expectations, as measured during the inspector's comprehensive on-site inspections." Cohen says, "With all that's going on in the world I think people will be happy to know our cleanliness is top notch. We are taking extra measures to protect our guests every day." AAA is extending the use of the 2020 Best of Housekeeping badge for use in marketing channels free of charge through the end of September in an effort to support partner properties during the unprecedented global crisis stemming from the coronavirus pandemic. The badge is a tremendous asset that normally requires additional fees for use of the icon. Last fall, the Inn at Harbor Shores first earned AAA's coveted Four Diamond Status, one of only 19 hotels in the entire state to earn that high honor. When we shared that story with you in October, Cohen said, "The Four Diamond Award from AAA marks a pinnacle moment in our resort's history," and added, "As Lake Michigan's first beach, golf, and waterfront destination, we are proud to help keep Michigan tourism on the map.

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Not only is this a crowning achievement for The Inn, it is also well-deserved recognition of the natural beauty within Michigan and a celebration for the surrounding community." As part of the rating ascertainment process, a property must meet certain requirements based on an unannounced inspection. The stringent standard of a Four Diamond hotel is described by AAA as "refined, stylish with upscale physical attributes, extensive amenities and a high degree of hospitality, service, and attention to detail'

For only the fifth time in its storied 127-year history there is a new President at the helm for Vail Rubber Works in St. Joseph. He is Vail Harding. The 127-year old family-owned and operated manufacturer headquartered in St. Joseph says that Vail Harding, a 22-year veteran employee takes the reins from Joseph (Bill) Hanley, who has served as company President for the past 31 years. Harding is a

graduate of Grand Valley State University and holds degrees in Criminal Justice, Sociology, and Mechanical Engineering. He joined Vail Rubber in October of 1998 as a sales engineer and applications specialist, moved through the customer service area and into engineering and manufacturing where he became Manager of Manufacturing and Maintenance in February 2015. A year ago, in April of 2019 Harding was promoted to Vice President of Operations. Harding lives in south St. Joseph with his wife Jackie and their two sons. He is President of the Rubber Roller Group, an industry trade group, serves as a Director on The Kinexus Group **Board.** as well as on the Boards of two subsidiaries of The Kinexus Group; Youth Solutions and the MMTA. Harding and his family are members of the St. Joseph Catholic Church. Harding succeeds Bill Hanley who has served as Vail Rubber's fourth President since 1989. Hanley will continue to serve on Vail Rubber's Board of Directors. Hanley says:

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Anybody who has ever ventured into **314 State** Street in downtown St. Joseph knows the truth to Cindy Barinholtz' claim that her mission is to "Search the globe for your amusement." Her State Street Stuff novelty store is a hit with most folks from the moment they walk into the doors of

the jam-packed store of silly fun. During the course of the current pandemic, when the shop has been closed like all other retailers in Michigan, Cindy has been posting a funny cartoon, joke or meme every day on her Facebook page, to help keep everyone's spirits up. She searches the globe for that material in order to amuse you as well. Wanting desperately to do her part in the battle against the coronavirus, Cindy realized that many people were going to need personal protections including face masks, hand sanitizer and other things. So, she proudly proclaims, she has "searched the globe for your protection." Cindy tells me, "After an exhaustive search for fun, novelty, high-quality, made in America, effective, face masks, I have finally found them!" She adds, "There are a ton of companies right now flooding the market with cheap masks that offer little to no protection. Quality masks should be at least two layers thick of tightly woven fabric." She cautions, "If you can hold it up to the light and see through it, it is totally worthless in protecting you from the virus." Cindy also felt that it was very important for her to find a mask that was made in America, to support workers in our own country during these difficult economic times, adding, "Most of the under \$15 face masks are made in China." She found success, however, and says, "Our masks are three layers of 100-percent cotton. Well stitched. Washable. Soft and comfortable. Made in the USA. And they are reversible for those that just want to







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wear them as solid black." Impacted like every other retailer in the country, Cindy is also just trying to keep her head above water, noting, "I'm just trying to earn enough to pay my rent right now, as I have been unable to get in on any of the economic development grants or loans or anything." She has posted information on her State Street Stuff Facebook page regarding the face masks, or you can email her at statestreetstuff@yahoo.com for more information. Here's her Facebook page:

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She tells me that on the website she will offer various care packages for kids and adults that can be shipped anywhere in the country, and she is also working on private labeling for her own line of novelty hand sanitizers. She also has an offer for bulk mask purchases for local businesses in need of personal protection equipment on her Facebook page Those can be drop-shipped from the manufacturer direct to the customer. She says they are pretty much wholesale prices, and she's just adding a tiny markup to at least try to pay her rent for the month. She also invites the purchase of those looking to donate to first responders, frontline workers or others in need of such protection. Look for the post with the image of surgical/anti-viral masks.

The Purdue Club of SW Michigan has announced the recipients of the 2020 scholarship program. They are Madison Bird, Abigail Hickok, Matthew Keppler and Veda Gourlay. Madison Bird is a 2019 graduate of Mattawan High School.

She is pursuing a degree in Chemical Engineering and Spanish. Abigail Hickok is a 2020 graduate of Buchanan High School. She plans to pursue a degree in Health and Human Science and ultimately attend medical school. Matthew Keppler will be sophomore at Purdue and is pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Engineering. He is a Lakeshore High School graduate. Veda Gourley will be a sophomore at Purdue pursuing her Bachelor's degree in Speech-Language Pathology. She is a Lakeshore High School graduate. The Purdue Club Scholarship program has offered over \$70,000 is scholarships to

students attending Purdue from Berrien, Cass and

Van Buren Counties over the past 15 years.

Scholarship funds are made possible through the

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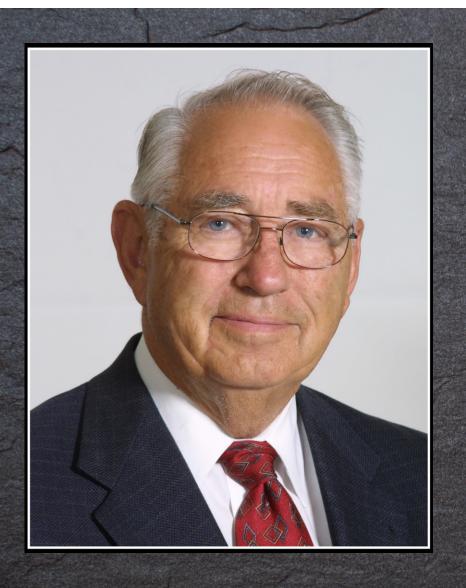
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Dave Says

Tithe on stimulus check?

Dear Dave,

Should my wife and I tithe on our stimulus checks? She thinks

we should, but I'm not sure. In my mind, we already gave our money to Caesar—so to speak and now he's just giving it back. What do you think?

Luke

Dear Luke.

Well, it's your money you're getting back. The government doesn't really create anything, it only takes money from us. And in this case, it gave you back some of what it took. I don't really see that as a tithing circumstance.

The other side of the coin is that you really can't go wrong being generous. The tithe is your baseline for generosity. You shouldn't tithe or not tithe because of a set of rules, but if you're having a theological or philosophical discussion about the tithe and how it works, I think your reasoning

It's certainly not a salvation issue, but generosity is a good rhythm to have in your life. And honestly, these stimulus checks are kind of like tax refunds. You gave it to the government, and now they're giving it back.

So, in my mind it's okay either way. I've just always had an attitude of when in doubt, it's better to give.

-Dave

Go ahead, knock it out

We make about \$70,000 a year, and we're debt-free except for our house. We're following your plan, and just started saving for retirement, but we only have \$15,000 left on our mortgage. We can have that paid off in six or seven months. so would it be okay to go ahead and pay off our home as soon as possible before continuing to save for retirement?

Nate

Dear Nate.

I'm generally pretty hardcore about sticking with the proper order while doing the Baby Steps. But in your case, with such a small amount left to pay on your home, I think I'd go ahead and knock that out.

Most of the people I talk to still have six figures left on their mortgages. There's a big difference between that and the situation you two are in right now. Think about it, you guys could be completely debt-free by Christmas, and you've already started to make a move on retirement planning. I say go for it!

-Dave

*Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 16 million listeners each week on 600 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.

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plague all of us at one time or another, especially during the current COVID-19 Pandemic. For veterans, it can be especially challenging. Many veterans experience

extra challenges due to disabilities (both physical and mental) as a result of their military service. We want to offer veterans Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University - Military Edition (FPU-ME) classes online and free of charge as a resource to help. This class would normally cost a veteran or service member \$82.00 if purchased directly at www.daveramsey.com/ military. The online classes are local and exclusive to Berrien County veterans, however, the veterans spouse and/or children may participate together in the convenience and comfort of their home. We will be using Webex Video Conferencing software that can be downloaded for free in various formats at www.webex.com. This is the third class facilitated by a local Berrien County military veteran from the financial planning industry who has always done an outstanding job. The last two FPU-ME classes were held at The Chapel church in St. Joseph. However, since none of us know how long the COVID-19 Pandemic, stay-at-home, social distancing and group gathering restrictions will continue, we need to adjust and adapt accordingly. The nine weeks of classes begin on Thursday, June 4th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and will continue on Thursday's during that time. The classes will cover the following topics – Lesson 1: Super Saving, Lesson 2: Relating with Money, Lesson 3: Cash Flow Planning, Lesson 4: Dumping Debt. Lesson 5: Buver Beware. Lesson 6: The Role of Insurance, Lesson 7: Retirement and College Planning, Lesson 8: Real Estate and Mortgages, and Lesson 9: The Great Misunderstanding. Positive

Financial challenges feedback received from past sessions include: 1) Developed habits that broke the cycle of living from paycheck to paycheck that gave my family a sound financial future, 2) Strengthened my marriage by enhancing my ability to communicate about finances, 3) Helped my adult children learn wealth building and financial life skills by having them attend with me, 4) Gained confidence in discussing my finances with bankers, lenders and financial advisors, and 5) Learned skills to share with younger children to help them prioritize wants verses needs and teach them good financial habits that became second nature. If you are an active duty service member or military veteran and are interested in participating online with this free course, just contact our office for additional details and information. Space is limited so contact us as soon as possible. Those who have participated in our past two classes and still have their workbook are also welcome to attend the classes. We also offer free financial coaching for military veterans from an Accredited Financial Counselor and Financial Fitness Coach Counselor. She has assisted many veterans in Berrien County one-on-one to help people link their behavior to their goals and values. The financial coach is there to provide support, encouragement, accountability and resources as you define and move forward with your goals. Financial coaching is about learning the skills it takes to align your ongoing behavior with your financial dreams. Please contact us today if you are interested in the FPU-ME classes or financial coaching for veterans.

> Lee Lull is the Veterans Affairs Administrator for Berrien County. He has served in that position since May 2012. You can contact Berrien County Veterans Services at (269) 983-7111 Ext. 8224, via e-mail at veterans@berriencounty.org or visit their website at www.berriencounty.org/veterans.

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Stay Positive

Romans 5:8

Are you finding it and optimistic during

COVID-19 days?

Let me tell you about a remarkably positive man you may have never heard about. Paul Gerhardt was a Lutheran pastor in the mid-1600s in Germany. When he was a child, his family home and church were destroyed in the Thirty Years' War. As an adult, he lost four children in infancy because of disease. He lost his church when he refused to compromise his beliefs at the demands of the government. He went for a year without a paycheck. A year after that, his wife died, leaving him to raise the one son who had survived the epidemic.

Your life may not be marked by tragedy and hardship as much as Paul Gerhardt's, but can still be hard, and not just due to the fallout from the coronavirus. Maybe your maremotionally, or physically draining. Maybe you have serious health problems. Maybe you never seem to catch a break, or your dreams routinely turn into disappointment. Maybe you are disappointed in yourself, and you realize God should be the one disappointed in you and your sins.

Paul Gerhardt realized that his sin was hard to be positive actually his biggest problem because it meant that he had no right to expect anything from God. So, what made him so positive? He knew that God loved him anyway. That in love for him, God had sent Jesus to die for his sins and rise again; all so that Paul could know God loves him, had forgiven him, and would take him to heaven.

> God loves you and sent his Son for you and your salvation too. So even in these hard times, find your reason for hope and optimism in Jesus Christ, so you can say with Paul Gerhardt.

Why should cross and trial grieve me? Christ is near with his cheer; never will he leave me. Who can rob me of the heaven that God's Son for me won when his life was given?

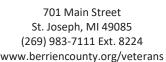
(Christian Worship: A Lutheran Hymnal – 428) Prayer: Thank you, Lord, for proving riage isn't great. Maybe your job is mentally, your love for me by sending Jesus to save me from my sins. Use this truth to keep me positive during difficult times. Amen.

> Submitted by:Pastor Glenn T. Rosenbaum Administrative Pastor Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, St. Joseph Originated by: www.What AboutJesus.com

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- ★ Disability Compensation benefits for prior conditions, diseases or injuries that occurred in service or many years later as a result of service (e.g. Agent Orange Exposure, Camp Lejeune Contaminated Water, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder – combat or personal trauma) to name a few.
- ★ PTSD Counselors from the South Bend Vet Center that comes to Berrien County twice a week.
- ★ Non-Service Connected Veterans Pension and Survivors Pension benefits (House Bound as well as Aid and Attendance) for low income veterans over age 65 or prior to age 65 that are disabled and have at least one day of wartime service (additional means tested restrictions apply).
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Throughout these reminiscences about No. 2 son's move to the Golden State, I've tried conjuring a column headline that somehow weaves in the Led Zeppelin song title "Goin' to California"

But I just can't come up with the right combo of "easily understood reference to the classic rock tune" + "relevance to the column's 'theme" "dopey laugh line."

If you can come up with something, please let me know. If it's a good one, I'll mention you in a column. If it's a great one, I'll claim I made it up myself.

resuming our musings (Cool wordsmithing discovery: "musing" can be formed from the letters in "resuming"! Oooooh! - and so can "gnumesir"!):

University of California-Santa Cruz. Unlike a lot of California universities, UC-SC doesn't have long, storied sports traditions. It wasn't until 1980 that the school started fielding five teams in the NCAA's Division III echelon.

The NCAA requires every member school to have a mascot/nickname for their teams. The UC-SC Chancellor at the time decided an excellent choice would be the Sea Lions.

However, for many years prior to this, a different, unofficial mascot represented most'all of Uc-SC's "club" teams – a mascot much-loved by the student body. I think perhaps because no matter what the student body's bodies looked like, they couldn't possibly look worse than the body of the mascot - the banana slug.

The banana slug is a slimy, bright yellow mollusk that makes its living in the redwood forests of the Left Coast. And it's so proud of its lemoncolored, gelatinous physique that it doesn't even hide it under a shell!

Anyway, the UC-SC Chancellor staunchly considered a Sea Lion to be a far more dignified university symbol than a Banana Slug. The majority of students held the completely opposite view.

In 1986, a straw vote was taken, and the student body overwhelmingly chose the Banana Slugs. The Chancellor capitulated, and the Slug became UC-SC's official mascot.

Nowadays, there's a costumed slug mascot, Item: My son's new home is not far from the named Sammy the Slug, and rather than the nationwide ridicule that the Chancellor may have feared, the Banana Slug has generated decades of positive outcomes for UC-SC: Multiple "Best Mascot" honors; a full-page story in People magazine; and; and revenue generation: you can buy slug pom-poms, socks, plush toys, mugs, face decorations, and my favorite - peanut butter-filled candy slugs at Santa Cruz' popular Mackenzies Chocolates. Bonus! -- they're bright yellow, and

So, besides the subversive nose-thumbing at other California schools with aggressive, hypercompetitive mascots, why did the student body love the Banana Slug so much?

Various students of the mid-1980s have said things like, "The slug represented the hearts and minds of the students and the way they perceived UCSC as a unique institution," and "The slug suited the campus so well--its symbiotic relationship with the redwoods, and its nonviolent Gandhi-an characteristics," and "The slug has no known predators, so opposing mascots can't defeat it!"

But I read a little about the slug's life story, and I wonder if its appeal was, ummmmm, a bit more basic: I bet the students plugged for the slug because it can mate for eight hours at a time.

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SYNOPSIS OF LAKE CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING April 21, 2020

Meeting called to order 7:00 p.m. Present: Gast, Clark, Payne, Wilk, Heyn, Mensinger and Stine. Agenda approved with two addition. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to approve minutes of March 17, 2020.
All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to approve March 2020 bills in the amount of \$734,652.54. All ayes, motion carried. Motion to accept bid from Andy Eagan using Beck actuator/valve and contingency availability for the amount of \$508,000.00 for the replacement and installation of the filter actuator valves at Lake Charter Township Water Plant, any savings that Any Eagan Co., incurs would be returned to the township. Roll call vote: All yes, Motion carried. Motion to accept bid of Dupont to replace the membrane O-rings at a cost of \$45,015.56. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to upgrade SCADA Flow/Turbidity
Transmitters from Utility Instrumentation Services
for \$12,140.00. All ayes, motion carried.
Motion to forward P.A. 116 Farmland and Open
Space Preservation Program from Heritage
Farms/Totzke Farms Properties LLC to the Lake
Charter Township Planning Commission.
All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to approve \$6,187.92 for the renewal of the volunteer firefighters' life and accident insurance from Hartford Life for July 1, 2020 through July 1, 2021 (same amount as last year). All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to approve the extension of the assessment services with HSC Services, Inc., for \$2,960.00 per month. A 2.07% increase commencing June 1, 2020 until May 31, 2021.

All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to approve the 2020 Berrien County Road Department Township Road Agreement for matching funds totaling \$124,106.00. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to allow Jeff Burkhard, Lake Charter Township Water Plant Superintendent to post the position of an F-4 Water Plant Operator for the night shift for Lake Charter Township Water Plant. All ayes, motion carried.

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The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.,
Lake Township Hall, Bridgman, Michigan.
Lake Charter Township Planning Commission is scheduled for May 4, 2020 at 7:00 p.m., Lake Charter Township Hall, Bridgman, Michigan.
Lake Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals is scheduled for May 14, 2020 at 7:00 p.m., Lake Charter Township Hall, Bridgman, Michigan.
Meeting adjourned 8:03 p.m.

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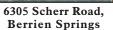
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- Stunning 4 BR, 3.5 baths, 3,867 sq. ft. Main floor master suite w/access to deck
- St. Joseph \$694.900. M (20005939)

LAKE MICHIGAN LUXURY!

- Exquisite home with deeded Lake MI access
- 4 BR, 4.5 baths, 5191 finished sq. ft
- Top of the line Chef's kitchen, granite
- St Joseph \$785,000, A (19008825)

LAKE VIEWS!



- Steps to Lake MI beaches & downtown SJ
- Updated 4 BR, 4 bath, 3500 sq. ft.
- Gourmet kitchen w/granite & newer SS appls

RENTAL OPPORTUNITY!

3 bedrooms, 1 full bath, hardwood floors

Enjoy Lake Michigan sunsets from the bluff

Plenty of parking, 1 dog allowed (40 lb. Limit)
St. Joseph \$1,400/month. M – (20003976)

YOUR PICK OF BUILDABLE SITES!

Cleared and wooded lots

Close to Whirlpool HQ

Close to St. Joseph shopping

3 BR, 1 full bath, 1,494 sq. ft.

• 2 car detached garage • Hartford \$84,000 M – (19056549)

Enclosed front porch, backyard with deck

Beautiful hardwood floors

• Benton Twp., \$25,000+, C - (18047055+)

OLD WORLD CHARM!

Living room w/fireplace, vaulted ceilings St. Joseph \$850.000, L – (20008960)

- - Beautiful updated home on 7 acres

NEWLY LISTED!

- 4 BR. 3.5 bath. 3022 sq. ft.
- Main floor master suite
- Full walk-out finished basement
- Benton Harbor \$365,000, B (20011221)

BRAND NEW!



- New construction 3 BR, 2.5 bath home
- Check out this new neighborhood
- Base pricing depending on plan
- Benton Twp., \$194,590. M (19055516)

- "Iris" floor plan or select many others

· Wild Dunes Beach, 4 BR, 3.5 bath

NEWLY LISTED!

- · Great room w/vaulted ceilings
- Expansive deck, walkout LL
- Private wooded backyard
- Stevensville \$525,000, W (20010101)

SPACIOUS ELEGANCE!



- Elegant brick 6 BR, 4.5 bath, 4455 sq. ft
- Beautiful wooded 1.25 acre lot
- Chef's kitchen w/granite & SS appliances
 Walkout finished LL w/BR, bath, rec room
- St. Joseph \$549.000, S (200007653)

OUTDOORSMAN'S PARADISE!



- 5 BR farm house on 122 acres
- Wooded with acres of corn
- Hardwoods and tillable land
- Wildlife abundant, great hunting retreat
- Eau Claire \$529,900. N (19048056

GRACEFUL ELEGANCE!



- 5 BR, 4.5 Bath w/great open concept
- Chef's kitchen. 3-sided das fireplace

Updated 3 BR. 2 full bath ranch

1 car detached garage, fireplaceOpen floor plan with large kitchen

- · Finished basement w/field stone fireplace
- Basement w/family room, kitchenette, snack bar

MANY LIPDATES!

• St. Joseph \$544,500. S - (19051068)

MOVE IN READY!

• Watervliet Twp., \$196,000. H - (19056359)

Come check out this great property

Almost 45 acres of farming/hunting land

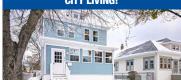
20 acres that is cleared & 25 acres of possibilities

• Rare opportunity to own a large parcel



45 ACRE PARCEL!

- 2 BR, 1 bath bungalow, 860 sq. ft
- New Kitchen, bath, flooring & thru-out
- Large detached garage w/12' door
- Enjoy the convenience of this location.
- City of Niles \$69,900. S (20001172)



- 3 BR, 3 full bath, charmer
- Newer roof, siding, windows, flooring



· Finished basement with rec room and family room • Benton Harbor \$115,000. H - (20003543)

- Buildable lot at Harbor Shores
- Lot will accommodate a basement
- · Access to pool, clubhouse & hot tub
- Easy access to Lake Michigan
- Benton Twp. \$44.500 E (20012586)

• St. Joseph \$165.000, C - (19054890)

CITY LIVING!

- · New covered front & back porch
- Close to downtown, Silver Beach & more