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This One Day I Can Live in the Present

By BERTHA PARSONS

Why is it so hard to live in the present time? Why do we always drift into tomorrow, or next week when today is what counts? On this day, let's just picture our life. Are you so busy you can't call a friend? Does this day have many tasks and problems? Just be glad they come single file.

My Mother often said, "Tomorrow may never come let's make today the very best we can." Sounds easy. To just live in the present when having breakfast with a friend, or when your spouse has something to tell you.

Today I want to be in the present. We certainly don't know what tomorrow might bring, it is not promised to us anyway. So let us do all our business fairly, have fun today, do good to all and think kindly of others.

Yesterday is gone, today, right now, this very moment in the present is what counts. Let's not spend time with "what-ifs" "Could have been," when we could be enjoying this day. Remember, it will not come again.

As you sit reading this Corner today don't wander into Worry Neighborhood or down Regret Street. Focus on this day, the beautiful sun heating up the room, the joy of friends and family, coffee and doughnuts or bananas and yogurt. Do not be distracted from this present moment.

Think about this day with the most valuable of all resources, time. Have you taken time today to think about all the good in your life and the people who surround and care about you?

Do not look back or think about the future. Don't worry about things you cannot change. Plenty of troubles will visit you, so don't go looking for them! It is up to us to do all we can to improve the present moment. Today is ours.

When talking to my son, Matt, after returning from a trip, telling him what a great time we had visiting his brother, Martin, he said, "Mom, you and Dad need to do more trips. Life is short, make every day count." True. Today I will live in the present. How about you?

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Hoopeton Area announces registration dates, information

July winding to a close means school registration is just around the corner.

Hoopeton Area will hold registration from Tuesday, Aug. 8-Thursday, Aug. 10. The schedule is:

August 8:

Middle school (grades 6-8) 8:30-11 a.m., 12:30-3:30 p.m.

High school (grades 9-12): 8:30-11 a.m., 12:30-3:30 p.m.

August 9:

Maple (grades ECSE, K-2) 1-6 p.m. at Maple Grade School.

Pre-K registration will be held August 21-22 at Maple Grade School

John Greer (grades 3-5) 1-6 p.m. at John Greer Grade School

*registration assistance will be available to Spanish-speaking families on August 9.

Middle school (grades 6-8): 8:30-11 a.m.; 1-6 p.m.

High school (grades 9-12): 8:30-11 a.m.; 1-6 p.m.

August 10:

High school (grades 9-12): 8:30-11 a.m., 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Freshmen and parent orientation 6-6:45 p.m. in the high

school auditorium.

Fees for the coming year are:

Early Childhood \$25 book rental

K-12 \$50 book rental

MS/HS extracurricular activity fee \$20 per activity, maximum \$40 per student, \$80 per family

The following additional high school fees are due at registration:

Driver's Education - all ninth graders are required to take driver's ed. All freshmen will owe \$50 for classroom/behind the wheel instruction.

Health Education - all ninth grades are required to take health. A CPR class will be provided at a cost of \$10 per student.

Spanish I, II and III - \$20 for workbook

Government class - \$12 for a weekly magazine

Accounting I and II - \$39 for workbook

Advanced Placement courses - \$80 each, which pays the AP exam given in May.

Additional requirements:

Health physicals/records - state requirements are that all kindergarten, sixth and ninth grade students must have health physicals before the start of school on August 21.

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Court Dispositions

June 1

Ambrosio Ybarra III, Hoopeston, status check July 6.
Michael Cox, Wellington, status check July 6.
Tonya Edwards, Hoopeston, status check July 6.
Nichole Hansen, Hoopeston, status check July 6.
Raquel Rossolille, Hoopeston, status check July 6.
Amber Styer, Hoopeston, status check July 6.
Jonathan Goodrum, Hoopeston, public service hours doubled, status check July 6.
Francisco Arce, Hoopeston, status check July 6.
Sean Hoover, Hoopeston, fined \$180 in two separate general nuisance cases; status hearing July 6.

Obituaries

ALKIRE - Robert Andrew Alkire, 67, of Hoopeston, died at 11:50 a.m. Saturday, July 22, 2017 at Presence United Samaritans Medical Center, Danville. Visitation will be 5-8 p.m. Wednesday at Blurton Funeral Home, Hoopeston, with Masonic service at 8 p.m. A celebration of his life will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at First Christian Church, Hoopeston. Burial will follow in Floral Hill Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to Hoopeston Masonic Lodge or GAO Grotto.

Registration continued from other side

12th Grade students/records - all incoming seniors for the 2017-18 year are required to have a meningitis shot before the first day of school. Bring documentation of the vaccine to registration.

Sports physicals - grades 5, 7-8, 10-12 only. If planning to participate in sports, you will be required to have a sports physical before the start of the school year.

Registration forms and supply lists are available on the school website, www.hoopeston.k12.il.us. The form may be completed, printed and brought to registration to speed up the process.

Weather

Sunny today. High 82. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 61. Tomorrow, mostly sunny, chance of thunderstorms late. High 86, low 70.

Juan Acosta, Hoopeston, fined \$180 for burning of trash; status hearing July 6.

Tonya Edwards, fined \$180 for disorderly conduct; status hearing July 6.

Matthew Minard, Milford, fined \$280 for cruelty of animals; status hearing July 6.

Steven Menschel, Hoopeston, fined \$180 for battery; case dismissed.

Classifieds

HELP WANTED

Hoopeston Area CUSD #11 has an opening for an Rtl Aide at John Greer Elementary for the 2017-18 school year. Applications are available online only at Hoopeston Area CUSD's website, www.hoopeston.k12.il.us

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