



The Family Room

By: Dr. Roy Don Whitehead

Romeo Knew How To Woo A Woman

Even though he was a youngster, Romeo knew a thing or two about women. In the flower garden outside Juliet's window, he professed his love for her. He must have been a very persuasive young man because Juliet was willing to die for him!

Romeo offers some good pointers for us men today. Even if you don't have a flower garden, there are some things you can do to let the woman in your life know that you love her.

Yes, it is important to let her know over and over again that you love her. Telling her, once at the wedding just won't cut it. Tell her at least once a day.

Finding other ways to say "I love you" is also important. Here are a few suggestions.

1. Don't forget the old standbys: candy and flowers. The best time to make such a presentation is when there is reason to do so. Don't wait until Valentine's Day! Or until you need to apologize for something foolish you said. Do it now. A half dozen roses sent to her at home or work can certainly brighten her day.

2. Plan an evening alone for the two of you. You take care of all the details, such as babysitting, then plan something that you know she will like. Dinner and a movie are still

good choices. Or how about a quiet evening at home for just the two of you? The kids will survive one evening without Mom to help with the homework.

3. Be especially sensitive to her feelings at difficult times. If her father is in the hospital or she is worried about her job, show her that you are concerned and ask "how can I help?"

4. Remember that even happy occasions are stressful. Having a baby is great, and it also means a lot of adjustment in the family. Don't be an absent father during this time. Plan occasions when the two of you can be alone while someone else cares for the baby.

5. Take over some of her responsibilities without being asked. If cooking dinner is her job, plan a menu and do it yourself. (Most of the world's great chefs are male!)

6. Plan an activity for yourself and the children, and give your wife the night alone. She may choose to stay at home or go out, but the important thing is that she has a night when she doesn't have to be "Mom." She can just be herself.

7. Make a tape of the songs that you listened to when you were dating. (Depending on when you dated this may include anything from Benny Goodman to Bill Haley to the Beatles to Garth Brooks.) Present her with that tape and sit with her (or dance with her) while you listen to those songs.

8. Hug her.

9. Cuddle with her.

Write me and let me know how it goes (402 Coomer Street, Suite 204, Somerset, KY 42503). Or email me at dwhite@aya.yale.edu.



"Thanks" Hal - Shirley Cummins, right, and Diana Napier, with Rural Transit Enterprises, Mt. Vernon, were in Washington recently with Kentuckians for Better Transportation to thank Congressman Hal Rogers and other members of the Kentucky Congressional Delegation for their support of transportation legislation. Funding for public transit has more than doubled. Kentucky highway users pay a 2.85 cents per gallon tax on motor fuels that goes into the federal mass transit account. Kentucky will get back about \$40 million for transit next fiscal year, up from \$18 million two years ago. Kentucky sends about \$80 million annually to Washington for mass transit account.

Gardening & Landscaping Tips

By: Max Phelps

Critters Thrive in Homestead Ecosystems

Songbirds have always been welcome in yards and gardens. People put out houses with hopes of getting some feathered tenants to move in. Now retailers carry more kinds of bird feed than dog feed it seems. Some garden centers are stocking bee boxes, butterfly houses and even bat houses.

And why wouldn't they? Attract butterflies, bees, spiders, ladybugs and so many more creatures? After all, as we eliminate grass and go for a more natural look, these little critters will like our yards as super places to call home and raise their families.

You don't need to necessarily put out birdhouses or toad abodes, but as you grow a more divergent number of plants and shrubs, all sorts of wildlife will be attracted to your place.

We may like birds, toads, squirrels and chipmunks. (The couple who had a chipmunk eat through the pond liner recently may not be too eager to see another chipmunk.) We may think we dislike spiders, snakes, mice and bats. But do you have any idea how many mice a snake eats? Or how many insects a frog or a spider catches? And bats have been known to eat 1,000 mosquitoes per hour while fluttering around in the evening!

So if you like some birds or other "good" creatures in your yard, please realize they may need other critters to prey on in order to obtain a balanced diet. So be willing to accept a few "bad" critters if you want to attract birds and other wildlife to your yard.

And it is reassuring to know most all wild critters are "wild" and are not aggressive, but indeed are afraid of the giant people who live in the big house in their yard.

The author is a freelance writer and landscaper. Your suggestions are welcome. Contact by visiting www.rockcastles.com and leave a message.

Classified Deadline is Noon Tuesday

Relay for Life seeks support from Rockcastle County

The American Cancer Society and its two million volunteers are working diligently in communities, like Rockcastle County to reduce the threat of cancer. Your help is needed to make the hope of conquering cancer a reality by taking part in Relay for Life.

Relay for Life is an overnight fundraising event filled with activities, food and community spirit. Last year, 3,000 communities nationwide participated in Relay for Life.

Cancer survivors, challenge everyone in Rockcastle County to get involved in the American Cancer Society's national signature event, Relay for Life.

Committees are being formed to coordinate the event that is scheduled to take place on Friday, August 2. However, they are still in need of volunteers. The next planning meeting will be on Tuesday, June 4, at 5:30 p.m. at the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in the courthouse.

If you are a cancer survivor, or

know of one, please contact someone listed below.

If you would like to be involved in this event in anyway—either by forming a relay team, assisting in the planning, making donations, etc. then please come to the meeting on Tuesday, June 4th or you may contact any of the following people: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Larkey at 878-9412, Kelly McClure 256-4122, Danielle Smith 256-3907, Sandra Bullock 758-8058, Robin Runney 256-0088, Darlene Mink 758-7900, Jill Ponder 256-3615 or Cynthia Rogers 679-3287.

Every penny, dime and dollar raised at Relay for Life offers hope to everyone who has been or will be touched by this disease, and brings us one step closer to a cancer-free tomorrow. This year in the United States, an estimated 1.2 million people will be diagnosed with cancer. Additionally, the disease will kill approximately 552,000 Americans—that means 1,500 people will die of cancer each day. Together we can make a difference.

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Tractor, Farm Machinery, Personal Property & Knife Collection
Saturday, June 8, 2002 at 10:30 a.m.
Willalla Section of Rockcastle County

Location: From Mt. Vernon turn onto Hwy. 770 off Hwy. 150 and proceed six miles to Sandy Willalla Road and proceed to the auction. Or, from Somerset, take Hwy. 39 approx. 17 1/2 miles to Hwy. 770 and turn right. Follow Hwy. 770 approx. 2 3/10 miles and turn right on Sandy Willalla Road. Follow Sandy Willalla Road to the 4 way stop and turn right. Proceed 2710 miles to the auction. Auction signs are posted.

Due to the death of her husband, Mrs. Pumphrey has decided to relocate and has authorized our firm to offer her property and machinery at public auction.

Tract #1 consists of one acre, more or less. This tract is improved with the above-pictured 1996 Fleetwood doublewide home, which has living room, kitchen, dining room, three bedrooms, two baths, plus utility room. It has central heat and air, shingle roof, storm doors and windows, dishwasher and city water.

In addition to the doublewide, there is also a two-car detached garage, measuring approx. 16 x 32.

Tract #2 consists of approx. 4 acres, m/l. This tract is cleared with mature shade trees. This tract is all cleared with mature shade trees. This tract would be a beautiful building or mobile home site with that additional acreage you have been searching for. City water is available.

Auctioneer's Note: The tracts will be sold separately and then combined, selling in whatever manner reflects the best returns for the seller. If you are looking for a nice country home, with additional acreage, then be sure and mark your calendar to attend this auction on Saturday, June 8, 2002 at 10:30 a.m. There is also a nice collection of machinery and personal property items to choose from.

Farm Machinery and tools to be sold include: 40 ft. semi-trailer • 35 Massey Ferguson tractor • 3 • 16" plows • 2 • 14" plows • 7 ft. 3 pt. hitch disc • post hole digger • 5 ft. Bush Hog • 220 Lincoln welder • Craftsman tool box on wheels • Gas Caddy spreader • electric cement mixer (Southern States) • Troy Bilt chipper • Yard King riding mower • two air compressors • battery charger • bolt bin • engine stand • Skill saw • sander • drills • Craftsman wrenches • various tool boxes • hand saws • tool cabinets • assortment of welding rods • Valve grinding machine • Jacks • wheel eaters • welding gauges • floor creepers • tractor booms • hand tools, including shovels, rakes, post hole diggers, etc. • 2 rolls woven wire • metal posts • hammers • single tires • bracing bits • plus many more items.

Personal Property Includes: Upright Whirlpool freezer • Magic Chef refrigerator • Magic Chef refrigerator • Magic Chef range • Whirlpool washer and dryer • upright utility cabinet • upholstered couch and chair • 5 pc. dinette set • swivel chair • various tables • brass lamps • 1960s prints, handpainted • Auto Harp by Oscar Schmidt • old wicker baskets • Kina Parks paintings • very unique pool stick • assortment of puzzles • collection of salt and pepper shakers • Encyclopedia set • Realistic scanner • decorative Warkings pie plates • 1300th anniversary plates, turkey pie pie plates, Marble chesscake plate • antique child's rocker and chair • antique clocks • lanterns • cow bells • old toys • Coca Cola Serving Tray • Harold Reno 110 Bourbon Whiskey still machine decanter • small grill • various pieces of milk glass such as cookie jars, deviled egg tray, etc. • 3 large stainless steel kettles • handmade maple basket • wash board • Tom's jar • various tins • various silverware pieces • kraut cutter • ice tea maker • Military first aid kit • wooden bowl set • plus many other items.

Knives to be sold include: Coca Cola (5 cent) knife • several Gas knives • Schrade • Frontier • Old Timer • selection of old watches and pens (ladies and mens) • coins and jewelry box.

Vehicles to be sold include: 1981 Ford ton flat bed with racks • 1988 Nissan pickup • (both vehicles are in need of repairs).

Terms: 20% down day of the auction in balance due on or before 30 days with delivery of the deed for the real estate. Cash or good check day of the auction for the personal property items and machinery.

Auctioneer's Note/Seller Disclaimer: The information contained herein is believed to be correct to the best of the auctioneer's knowledge. The information is being furnished for the bidder's convenience and it is the responsibility of the bidder to determine the information contained herein is accurate and complete. The property being sold in being sold in "as is" condition. No warranties expressed or implied.

Announcements day of sale take precedence over printed matter.

For additional information or appointment to see the property, contact Ford Brothers, Inc., Auctioneers and Realtors.

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