

Pronouncement from Michelle Obama – November 11, 2010

Veterans Day provides us with the chance to mark the debt of honor we owe to all those who have worn the uniform of the United States. We remember those who gave their lives beneath our flag in service of our freedom.

And with so many still fighting, we owe special thanks to the courageous families of those who serve.

Because when our servicemen and women deploy overseas, their loved ones are left to undertake heroic battles of their own at home. The unique challenges they face in support of men and women in uniform allow us all to enjoy the freedoms of our democracy.

Every time I have a chance to meet with these families, I'm struck by their strength and their quiet dignity — they are truly some of the most selfless, courageous people I've met.

And today is also a day to acknowledge the sacrifices these brave men and women make every day, and pray for the safe return of those they love.

I've felt their calling personally, and I want to encourage Americans across the country to step up and do more for our military families. Take the time to stay informed about the concerns and activities of the families of service members in your community. Let them know you recognize their struggles and appreciate all they do.

You can help by finding out the needs of the military families in your community and volunteering, from working with your local school's PTA to hiring a military spouse.

Today and every day, I am moved by the personal sacrifices made by service families. And I'm humbled by the patriotism of those they support — our soldiers and airmen, our sailors and Marines.

Today, if you can, please take a moment to offer your gratitude for the families of the veterans and active service members that you know. Or go online to serve.gov to find out how you can serve military families in your area. •



Pulling My Boots Off

News & Commentary
by Eric Wiggin

Letter to the Editor:

I've been accused of being overly simplistic about divorce. One person caustically insisted I believe a tumble in the hay with the wife would cure an old drunk's boozing. In the December FAN I've suggested that curing (or temporarily resolving) a debt problem might help resolve an impending divorce.

These articles are not complete studies on divorce. Rather, they summarize the issues to point the reader in the right direction.

The supreme authority on divorce is Jesus, who created marriage. His teaching on marriage and divorce is in Matthew 19:3-9, in which Christ tersely summed up the issues in fewer than 100 words, a quarter of these direct quotes from Moses. Jesus' thoughts are that One, marriage is for a lifetime; Two, the only permissible divorce is for adultery; Three, all divorce is caused by having a "hard" heart. Christ left lesser issues, such as separation from an abusive spouse with hope of reconciliation, to St. Paul (I Corinthians 7).

Ever since, the perversity of human nature being what it is, Jesus' words have been disputed by pietists and legalists of a mind-boggling kaleidoscope of beliefs, who set themselves up as wiser than God. Two paragraphs, spoken by Christ, have resulted in endless contradictory volumes on marriage, much of it sophisticated rubbish.

As for sex, I stand by what I've written. It's from the Bible.

Some may claim I'm unrealistic in offering an apparent unilateral solution for a bilateral problem. Yet while any solution to marital problems requires the cooperation of both spouses, one spouse must usually take the initiative to get things moving. As I read Matthew 19, this should be the husband, ordinarily.

Eric Wiggin

Bed bugs creating problems

By FAN staff

An epidemic of bed bugs is now occurring in America. The problem has even led to the closing of stores and even complete malls.

Since much of our clothing, sheets, towels, etc. now comes from companies outside the United States, the bed bugs are coming in on these items. The recommendation is to wash any new items before wearing them and that you put them in your clothes dryer for at least 20 minutes. Heat will kill the bugs and their eggs.

All you need is to bring one item into the house that has bugs or eggs and you will find it difficult to get rid of them.

If you have information on how to get rid of bed bugs, let us know. We can print the information in the next issue of FAN. •

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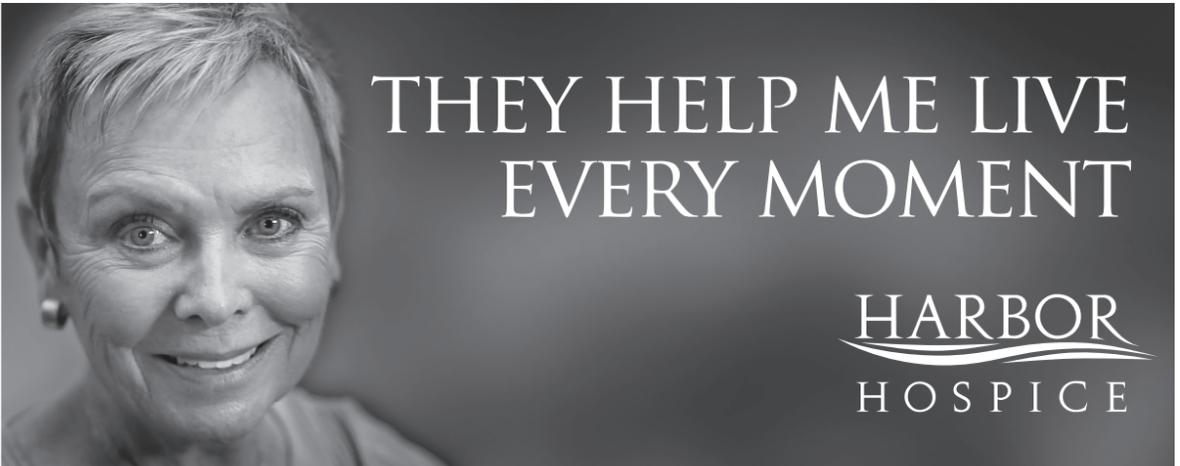
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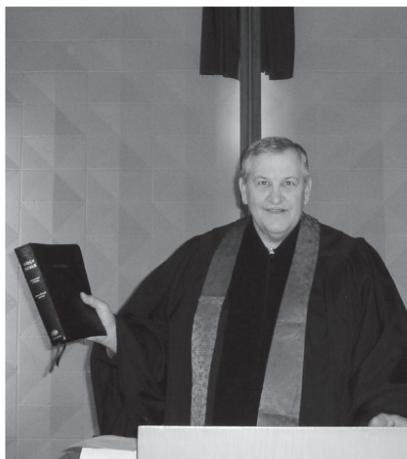
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