

Obituary - Common Sense

Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, **Common Sense**, who has been with us for many years. No one knows for sure how old he was, since his birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape. He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as:

- Knowing when to come in out of the rain**
- Why the early bird gets the worm**
- Life isn't always fair**
- It was my fault**



Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you can earn) and reliable strategies (adults, not children, are in charge). His health began to deteriorate rapidly when well-intentioned but overbearing regulations were set in place. Reports of a 6-year-old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate; teens suspended from school for using mouthwash after lunch; and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, only worsened his condition.

Common Sense lost ground when parents attacked teachers for doing the job that they themselves had failed to do in disciplining their unruly children. It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer sun lotion or an Aspirin to a student; but could not inform parents when a student became pregnant and wanted to have an abortion.

Common Sense lost the will to live as the churches became businesses; and criminals received better treatment than their victims. **Common Sense** took a beating when you couldn't defend yourself from a burglar in your own home and the burglar could sue you for assault. **Common Sense** finally gave up the will to live, after a woman failed to realise that a steaming cup of coffee was hot. She spilled a little in her lap, and was promptly awarded a huge settlement. **Common Sense** was preceded in death, by his parents, **Truth and Trust**, by his wife, **Discretion**, by his daughter, **Responsibility**, and by his son, **Reason**.

He is survived by his 4 stepbrothers: **I Know My Rights** | **I Want It Now** | **Someone Else Is To Blame** | **I'm A Victim**

Not many attended his funeral because so few realized he was gone. If you still remember him, please tell others about him ... especially the "youngsters" since it's quite obvious many of them never knew him! ggd ☺



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Meeting Dates/Time: **Wednesday, October 24th** (10:00 A.M.) and **Wednesday, November 28th** (10:00 A.M.)
Location: Wellston Center - 155 Maple Street | Warner Robins, GA 31093

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Birthdays For November

Tommy Stalnaker 4th Doreen Newlin 5th Suzanne Baer 6th Swarn Arora 15th
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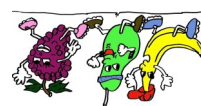
*For each new morning with its light, For rest and shelter of the night, For health and food, For love and friends, For everything Thy goodness sends. **Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882).** "Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted." **Matthew 5:4 NKJV***



Highlights From September's Meeting: **M. Queen Bailey** - dynamic author/speaker, professional service coordinator - captivated us with many inspiring words with clear/proven strategies to improve the quality of our lives and health! As a speaker, Queen has been quoted as saying; **"It's about igniting the fire in people, having them feel intrigued, excited and inspired enough to talk about their experiences without fear."** Engaged and electrifying! She recently received the American Association of Service Coordinators (AASC) President's Award - the highest honor bestowed on a service coordinator, given to someone who serves as the best example of diligence, leadership, drive and care that has come to define the profession! With over 25 years' experience as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker; currently working in the field of aging - her passion is to truly inspire people. An anonymous framed gift to her reads **"I've learned from your love ... been motivated by your spirit ... and changed by your life."** We were ALL inspired and motivated by her spirit as well! ggd ☺



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Sincerely,

Greg (Formerly Known As "Da Baby") Davis ggd ☺

Welcome New Members: Patty Tyson and Gwen Watkins! ☺

What Does "A Day In The Life Of Diabetes" Mean To You?

During **American Diabetes Month**® this November, the American Diabetes Association will launch a socially-focused initiative, "*A Day In The Life Of Diabetes*," to demonstrate the increasing impact diabetes has on families and communities nationwide. Using imagery, social engagement and a larger-than-life stage, light will be shown on the issue of diabetes and those who live with it each and every day. Successfully managing diabetes can be a herculean task, making what might seem like an otherwise ordinary life rather extraordinary



Started on Oct. 1, 2012, the public is asked to become part of the movement to Stop Diabetes® by sharing a personal image, via Facebook, representing what "*A Day In The Life Of Diabetes*" means to them. This image can be a picture of themselves or someone they care about and will show how the disease impacts their daily life. To encourage individuals to share photos of A Day in the Life of Diabetes on Facebook, **CVS/Pharmacy** will donate \$1 to the **American Diabetes Association** for every photo/image uploaded, up to \$25,000.

Recent estimates project that as many as one in three American adults will have diabetes in 2050, and an additional 79 million Americans are at high risk for developing type 2 diabetes. The American Diabetes Association estimates that the total national cost of diagnosed diabetes in the United States is \$174 billion. Further published studies suggest that when additional costs for gestational diabetes, prediabetes and undiagnosed diabetes are included, the total diabetes-related costs in the U.S. could exceed \$218 billion.

Diabetes is a serious disease. If it isn't managed, it can damage many parts of the body, leading to heart attacks, strokes, amputation, blindness, kidney failure and nerve damage. But there is good news: diabetes complications can be prevented or delayed by *properly managing blood glucose, blood pressure and cholesterol levels*. Eating healthy, being physically active and quitting smoking also can help lower the risk of diabetes complications.

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A NOT ALL INCLUSIVE List of Veterans Day Free Meals and Other Veterans Day Freebies. NOTE: Pay close attention to the dates listed and what you need to bring so you qualify for the free meal. Additionally, they all don't take place on Veterans Day (Sunday, November 11, 2012) and some require different forms of identification. Some of these Veterans Day free meals are nationwide but some are only at participating locations. Please call the restaurant you plan on visiting before you leave home to make sure they are taking part!

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Three old buddies are out for a walk. Old guy #1 says, "**Windy, isn't it?**" Old guy #2 says, "**No, it's Thursday!**" Old guy #3 says, "**So am I. Let's go get a milk shake.**"
News Flash: 83 year-old granny talks herself out of a speeding ticket by telling the young officer that **she had to get there before she forgot where she was going?** ggd ☺

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