Holistic Retirement Planning

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PUTTING THE PIECES TOGETHER





POLL QUESTION #1

WHICH IS THE MOST IMPORTANT INGREDIENT FOR ACHIEVING A HAPPY RETIREMENT?

- A. A SOUND FINANCIAL PLAN
- **B. GOOD HEALTH**
- C. A BRIGHT RED CONVERTIBLE



GOOD HEALTH

WITHOUT YOUR HEALTH, YOU DON'T HAVE MUCH.

AND...THERE IS A FINANCIAL INCENTIVE TO STAY HEALTHY!



TOP TEN TIPS

- 1. STOP SMOKING
- 2. KNOW YOUR CHOLESTEROL NUMBERS
- 3. KNOW YOUR BLOOD SUGER NUMBERS
- 4. MAINTAIN A HEALTHY WEIGHT
- 5. ANOTHER NUMBER TO KNOW: BMI



TOP TEN TIPS

- 6. EASE INTO EXERCISE
- 7. FIND A WAY TO RELAX
- 8. EXPRESS YOURSELF
- 9. BE MINDFUL OF HOW YOU THINK
- 10. BE AWARE OF YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE



POLL QUESTION #2

OF ALL THE SUGGESTIONS I JUST DISCUSSED FOR FINDING A WAY TO RELAX, WHICH IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE?

- A. MUSCLE RELAXATION
- **B. DEEP BREATHING**
- C. MEDITATION

Full Catastrophe Living by Jon Kabat-Zinn



ACKNOWLEDGE LOSS

- Shock or Denial
- Sadness
- Anger or Frustration
- Bargaining, Wondering if perhaps parttime is a better option
- Acceptance



TAKE THIS JOB AND SHOVE IT!!!



HOW ARE YOU TRAVELING?

• BACKING AWAY FROM A BAD SITUATION WITH BITTER TASTE? • RUNNING TOWARD YOUR BLISS WITH GLEE?





BABY BOOMERS: LEADING THE WAY

OPioneers in a new life stage

OSeeking out new possibilities

OInvolves looking ahead and asking: WHAT'S NEXT?

<u>Life Reimagined: Discovering Your</u> <u>New Life Possibilities</u>

By Richard Leider & Alan Webber



REFLECT: What's real for you?

Think of reflection as a break.

It involves revisiting the narrative in your head about your life up until now....and from here on.

Say NO to life "clutter" and YES to things that give you purpose!



CONNECT: Convene a feedback panel.

- 1. The cornerstone of connecting is building a sounding board.
- 2. Find one committed listener.
- 3. Slowly add new members.
- 4. Don't forget that connection is a two-way street



EXPLORE: Be open to the unknown.

- *Browse a different magazine.
- *Learn a new language.
- *Take a voice or music lesson.
- *Go home a different route.
- *Venture into a tavern with line dancing.

Design any other activity to get outside of your comfort zone!



CHOOSE: Whittle down your options.

OTake time out.

O Volunteer. (Earthwatch.org, Encore.org, PivotPlanet.com)

OSay hello.

OKeep track.



REPACK: What's essential for the road ahead?

Try this writing exercise!

Write your memoir. Start with the past in a summary.

Now move to the present.



ACT: Make your possibilities real by taking action.

OTake a first step in a new direction.

O Weigh in with your sounding board.

OTake one chance per day.



POLL QUESTION #3

What percentage of Americans believe in God or some form of a Higher Power?

A. 38%

B. 51%

C. 75%

D. 93%



SOME GREAT BOOKS

- Care of the Soul: A guide for cultivating depth and sacredness in everyday life. By Thomas Moore.
- Healthy Aging: A lifelong guide to your physical & spiritual well-being. By Andrew Weil
- O <u>Ageless Body, Timeless Mind</u>: The quantum alternative to growing old. By Deepak Chopra
- A Path With Heart: A guide through the perils & promises of spiritual life. By Jack Kornfield
- O <u>A New Earth</u>: Awakening to your life's purpose. By Eckhart Tolle
- Peace Is Every Step: The path of mindfulness in everyday life. By Thich Nhat Hanh
- O The Art of Happiness: A handbook for living. By The Dalai Lama



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