

the DIGGER

September Birthdays

Romey Stanley, 1st
Brian Millner, 8th
Mike Berry, 10th
Wanda Davis, 12th
Ben Burgess, 15th
Roy Carter, 21st
Paul Ritchie, 22nd
Wayne Webster, 25th
Brian Wright, 30th

September Anniversaries

Thomas Byrd, 13 yrs
Mike Francis, 4 yrs
Scott Harris, 1 yr
Fred Highsmith, 1 yr
Kenneth Hurd, 1 yr
John Kirkland, 27 yrs

Joshua Caleb Phase II Dedication

On Sunday August 8th, I attended a dedication service at Switzerland Community Church, for the Joshua Caleb Ministry Center. Much acknowledgment was given to the companies involved in the construction of this center. Every subcontractor's representative along with Dickey Smith was asked to stand and later was invited up on the stage for the passing of the keys to the youth minister.

Upon arrival Mr. Hinson greeted me and also introduced me to a member of the church. I explained to her that it was an honor to

do a project that the sole responsibility and mission is to expand the kingdom of heaven. I also explained that anytime we have the opportunity to work with someone with the character and attitude of Mr. Hinson it is an honor. The congregation was so proud of our accomplishments through the diligent work of all people involved. I must tell you that I felt as if I was back in Mexico on one of my mission trips, very humbled.

Because of **you** we shined on Sunday morning. Thank you for your hard work and dedication to this and all

projects. It doesn't matter what part you play on a day to day basis. Everything you do impacts our company and the people we serve. Thanks to every one of you for doing your part. I am honored and humbled to be a small part of what we stand for.

John Kirkland



"Ten Cans" by Herman Cain

You CAN have a dream, without knowing how to get there.

You CAN have a life, just start somewhere.

You CAN make a difference, one person at a time.
You CAN make things happen, don't expect a straight line.

You CAN be happy, if you have a hope inside.

You CAN have love in your life, but look beyond the outside

You CAN solve your problems, but FIRST, count your blessings.

You CAN find the strength, like an eagle, waiting, and resting.

You CAN make this a better world, but life is just a minute.

God CAN lead you through it, if all your heart is in it.

ROCK THE VOTE!



Everyone in the construction industry should know about Amendment 4 which will be on the November 2, 2010 Ballot. For the past two years, UUCF has been updating the membership on this dangerous amendment. Currently, any land use changes are decided

upon through your local city council or county commission. Amendment 4 would require any land use changes, no matter how small, to be placed on a ballot and decided by the voters. To date, there has been no word on how city or county governments would

handle elections for land use changes. To save on cost, some may only hold the elections once a year. AJJI and UUCF feels that if this amendment passes on November 2nd that it will have a devastating effect on the construction industry.



Labor Day, the first Monday in September, is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country.



Patriot Day is an annual observance on September 11 to remember those who were injured or died during the terrorist attacks in the United States on September 11, 2001. Many Americans refer to Patriot Day as 9/11 or September 11.

Harmonious Football

Football season. You love it. She hates it. From the NFL football pre-season launch in August through the Super Bowl in February, your TV becomes a battleground. But it doesn't have to be that way. Really, guys: it's not inevitable or irreversible or a matter of DNA. Of course, like the whole Middle East thing, it takes a willingness to understand how the other person feels.

Have you done that lately? Do you know how to do it? Okay. Let's start with this. For many humans of the female persuasion (although not all), football was not on the learning agenda. So if the female who holds your heart hostage is among the non-learners, be aware that, to her, football looks like the running of the bulls at Pamplona, only without the bulls. It just doesn't make sense. So of course she can't see what you see in it.

And . . . well, we hate to say this, but maybe, when she asks questions about the game (especially if she asks when your favorite team is in the red zone, maybe even fourth and goal on the one), you may have been a tad dismissive. Perhaps - perish the thought - even rude. Even if you remained calm, you may have used football jargon. You proved how smart you are, but also . . . how dumb she is.

Here are five rules to help achieve harmonious football:

Rule Number One: Be patient. Consider

this: a little patience for the first couple of games you watch together could result in a lifetime of shared cheering.

Rule Number Two: Lose the football jargon. Let's face it: if you called a Shotgun a Bullet Proof Vest, she wouldn't know the difference. But even with the best of intentions, if football has become a thorny issue between you two, how do you even get her to sit down and watch? That's Rule Number Three.

Rule Number Three: Romance. Romance and football? You bet, Tonto. See, here's the thing, for most women, the central issue isn't not understanding the game. The central issue is that, from pre-season through Super Bowl, for football game after football game - You Ignore Her!

So what you do is apologize for your insensitivity. Let her know that football is something you'd like to share with her, just as you want to share your whole life with her. Invite her to watch the game with you. Yeah. That's right: just like it was a date. Present her with the gift of an NFL football jersey in her favorite color. Suggest she wear it because she's so beautiful in it.

Prepare a meal or just get some Kentucky Fried or send out for pizza. But let the prep be all on you. Sit close together after you've turned on the TV.

Rule Number Four: Explain the game, simply and without the jargon (see Rule Number Two).

She's not coaching the game, remember. So the team you know to be on offence is more

clearly described as the team trying to get the ball across the goal line in order to score points. Point to the TV and show her the goal line. The defense is, simply put, the guys trying to stop them.

First down just means they've moved the ball at least ten yards (point to the TV and show her the yard markers). And - since it really is one of the keys to understanding the game - give her a brief idea of what field position means as it pertains to the choices a team might make in deciding to kick the ball or to cover the remainder of the required ten yards. Use actual examples as the game progresses. Remember to point to the TV screen. Explain how points are scored.

Rule Number Five: Betting. You heard us right. Rule Number Five is Betting.

Let her pick a team. Don't be judgmental. If she picks the team that's wearing her favorite color, let her know that's a great choice. In fact, whatever she chooses is a great choice. Why not?

Point is, this whole betting thing can be used as a great tutorial. So let's say you bet that her team will score the most points in the first quarter. See how this helps you explain what a first quarter is, and what scoring is?

If you play this right, you may never invite your friends over for a football game again.