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What is your advice to new moms?

“I Fill their lives with a lot of love.”
Ina Macher
Fenton

“Enjoy your baby, because they grow up fast.”
Betty Shinsky
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“Love them and take care of them.”
Aulene Becker
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“Enjoy the little things with them.”
Mary Ovington
Fenton

“Be patient and loving.”
Dorothy Feaser
Fenton

“Relax and go with the flow. Take it one day at a time, fight your battles one day at a time.”
Margaret Harris, Fenton

BIKE ROUTES
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the Lake Huron loop. There are several side trips with mountain biking trails in Sleeper State Park. If one counts the exploring, this is about a three-hour trip, which can always be lengthened with all the nearby parks and beaches.

There are a plethora of non-competitive bike rides throughout Michigan, including single or multi-day rides for all ages and abilities. Enjoy the scenery and cycle through vineyards and rolling countryside.

Those who enjoy a sampling of wine and artisan cheese might want to check out The Wine and Cheese Weekend Retreat May 15-17 in South Haven.

On Oct. 11, bicyclists can pedal country to country across the Ambassador Bridge in the “Bike the Bridge” ride.

If biking isn’t enough, one can do the “Pedal and Paddle” tour in September. Beginning in Three Rivers, participants bike through Amish farms, stopping at farmers markets along the way. They can then enjoy a relaxing paddle in a kayak to view the natural abundance of southwest Michigan.

To find the entire availability of rides throughout the entire state, check out The League of Michigan Bicyclists at www.lmb.org.

HOT LINE CONTINUED

THANK YOU, PRESIDENT Obama. Obama has given my two adult children health coverage. Bin Laden is dead, and we came out of a near depression to a recovering economy. Awesome job!

MY KIDS ARE grown and I need a hobby. Are there any fun local women’s groups out there?

BEAUTIFUL 90-DEGREE day on Lake Fenton and I can’t put my toes in the water. Fluoridation treatment and second treatment is on May 25. Do not use water for swimming/bathing three days, ornamentals/turf 30 days, livestock watering NA (not available or not advisable?). Grandchildren/pets/wildlife don’t take a gulp for next 60 days? Remember agent orange?

IT’S NOT THE size of the trash container but the size of government that is your problem. Where I live, we have independent pick-up. If we don’t like the service we call somebody else. Freedom of choice is a great thing. Don’t let government take it away.

MY SON LIVES in Australia. When voting for the leader of their country they have a law that states, every adult in the country has to vote or they pay a fine. This would be perfect for our country. Australia has been doing this since 1924. I love it.

THANK YOU FOR the article about the seminary. I enjoyed the in-depth explanation of why it can’t be saved.
Comerica Park itself is built around the configuration of the playing field. All planning efforts established fan sight lines as the highest priority. As one enters these boundaries, Comerica Park appears rooted at the center of an urban village, a village that includes shops, restaurants, offices, and other attractions. The result is a landscape that blends into the surrounding street life of Foxtown. And with no upper deck outfield seats, no ballpark offers a better view of a downtown skyline than Comerica Park.

1 SIGHT LINES HIGHEST PRIORITY

Comerica Park features a main scoreboard that is one of the largest in baseball. The face of the structure, in fact, is equivalent to the size of the face of the Fox Theatre Office Building facing Woodward Avenue (180 feet wide). The structure includes one video screen (42 feet x 24 feet), one large black and white matrix board with the line score (64 feet x 24 feet), and a color matrix board (42 feet x 24 feet).

2 WIDE CONCOURSES

The concourses are among the most generous of any facility. The minimum width of the main concourse is 40 feet, with wider concourses in many areas.

3 A TOUR THROUGH TIGERS HISTORY

Touring the main concourse, fans are taken through time on a tour of baseball and lifestyle history. The concourse is divided into different eras from the 20th century, and as the fan progresses on his or her walk, they move into a different time frame of history. Decade Monuments covering two decades each are placed throughout the concourse. Heading into the next century, plans call for “The Walking Museum” to be incorporated into the upper concourse as well.

4 LARGE SCOREBOARD

In the middle of the food court, a merry-go-round is available for the young and young-at-heart, with patrons riding atop horses. Behind the Brushfire Grill stands a baseball-themed ferris wheel. Center field features a giant water feature, “Liquid Fireworks,” that synchronizes music to spraying fountains of water.

5 YOUNG & YOUNG AT HEART

There are approximately 23,000 seats in the lower bowl of Comerica Park and 2,000 in the two suite levels. There are roughly 11,000 in the main upper deck and 4,000 seats that do not have a suite level.

6 PREMIUM SEATING

Comerica Park features five premium seating areas. The Tiger Den was the first of its kind in baseball. Located at the upper rows of the lower bowl, it resembles the fashionable boxes at old-time sporting venues with moveable chairs. A private Tiger Den lounge is available for patrons. The first five rows of the upper bowl have been designated as Club Seats.

7 THE TIGER DEN

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HOW MUCH ‘HOUSE’ DO YOU QUALIFY FOR?

Meet with a mortgage professional and get pre-approved early

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You are tired of paying rent for a small, noisy apartment and would like to buy your own home. How do you know how much of a mortgage you can afford, before you start looking for the home of your dreams?

The best place to start is by meeting with a mortgage lending professional at a bank, credit union or mortgage company. Get information from several lenders or brokers, so you can find out how much of a down payment you can afford and find out all the costs involved in the loan — including loan origination fees, broker fees and closing costs.

“We recommend that you meet with us so we can review the last two years of your tax returns, W-2s and pay stubs,” said Mary Burgner, mortgage loan originator at Dort Federal Credit Union in Fenton Township. “Then we’ll pull your credit report. Various programs have different credit score requirements, and conventional loans require a minimum of 620. For programs with lower down payments, you’ll need a credit score of at least 640.”

Burgner also recommends that potential homeowners think about what amount of a monthly payment they’d be comfortable with, so they don’t take on more than they can afford each month. “Then we’ll back into that number,” she said. “We’ll look at your car payments, student loans, minimum credit card payments, child support or alimony, etc.”

She also suggests that people with slightly blim-ished credit scores find out ahead of time what they need to do to raise those scores. “If you’ve had a short sale, foreclosure or bankruptcy, it may limit what we’re able to do for you in the short term. You’ll have to wait at least four years to apply for a mortgage. But terms have lightened up since the recession in Michigan a few years ago.”

Burgner said that the most important thing to do is re-establish your credit and be able to show that you have responsibly made all of your payments on time in the last year or two.

Tips for mortgage borrowers in 2015

• Pay less mortgage insurance — qualified borrowers will be able to get Fannie Mae- and Freddie Mac-backed mortgages with down payments as little as 3 percent, instead of going into FHA loans with premiums that are costlier than private mortgage insurance.

• Get a thorough pre-approval, for accurate mortgage lending terms based on your actual credit score, debt obligations and income, instead of relying on estimates.

• Maintain your credit profile, by doing anything that could change your credit obligations. That means don’t open or close any credit cards, make any major purchases like a new car or furniture on credit and keep balances within normal range.

• Get organized, by gathering and keeping every piece of financial information in the two months leading up to buying a house. Put in PDF format for easy sending to your mortgage broker or bank.

• Don’t move money around, keep your hands off your finances. Don’t move money from a savings account into a CD or cash in investments from stocks, etc.

• Be prepared to write letters to explain anything in your financial life that seems “odd” to your lender.

• Gift early. If a family member is gifting some or all of your down payment, make sure it’s deposited in your bank account more than two months before you apply for a mortgage. Otherwise, be prepared to re-create a huge paper trail with letters, copies and verification of funds.

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MISTAKES HOME SELLERS MAKE

Take the emotion out of selling your home for best success in the market

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The average seller in the real estate market has lived in his or her home for a decade, so it’s no wonder that what should be a pure business decision comes with emotional strings attached.

If people really want to get a return on their investment in their home, they need to be smart about how they approach selling it. The good news for sellers is that low inventory is pushing home prices higher and the number of homes being sold is also on the rise.

According to the National Association of Realtors, the typical seller receives 97 percent of his final asking price, and the home was on the market for about a month.

In order to be in that group of successful sellers, a homeowner needs to avoid these five mistakes when listing their home for sale:

MISTAKE #1: NOT BEING REALISTIC ABOUT YOUR HOME’S VALUE

What you think your home is worth and the price you can actually sell it for are two very different numbers. Properties that are overpriced at the outset tend to eventually sell at a lower price than they would have if they had been appropriately priced in the first place.

“Your Realtor gives you a ‘market value’ price and then some homeowners add ‘emotional value’ on top of it,” said John Tremaine of Tremaine Real Living Real Estate in Fenton. “That disrupts the ability of the home to sell. Everyone seems to have forgotten the years 2008, 2009 and 2010 when the real estate market went bust.”

He also said that if your house doesn’t sell in three or four weeks, it’s time to change your price.

MISTAKE #2: HIRING THE WRONG REALTOR

Choosing the wrong Realtor to sell your home is one of the biggest mistakes people make, according to John Wentworth of ReMAX Platinum in Fenton.

Sometimes homeowners hire someone who is a family friend, or select a Realtor with limited marketing experience. Since a Realtor you choose is likely handling the largest transaction you’ll have in your lifetime, it’s important that you hire the best one for the job, using reputation and referrals from satisfied clients as a guide to making that choice. Make sure to read your Listing Agreement carefully, so you know exactly what you can expect from this relationship.

MISTAKE #3: NOT MAKING YOUR HOME LOOK ITS BEST

You’ve watched enough HGTV shows to know that good staging and curb appeal help sell homes.

“A big mistake some sellers make is to not be willing to spend just a little bit of money to get top dollar for their home, by doing small things like replace carpeting, add a fresh coat of paint, etc.” said Steven “Melch” Melchor of Berkshire Hathaway Home Services of Michigan’s Fenton office. “It’s important that sellers listen to their Realtor’s advice when it comes to preparing their home for sale and setting the price.”

MISTAKE #4: REFUSING TO NEGOTIATE

You should start by setting a fair and reasonable price for your home, but be ready to accept slightly less than asking price or make other concessions in the interest of getting your home sold. You might agree to paying the closing costs, throwing in appliances or making certain repairs.

Working with an experienced agent can help you make the sometimes tricky negotiations of getting the price you want without scaring off a buyer.

MISTAKE #5: NOT HAVING A BACKUP PLAN

In the real world, the transition between selling your current home and buying a new one often comes with a few glitches. Savvy sellers have contingency plans in place to avoid either getting stuck with two mortgages at once, or not having a place to live or to protect them if a deal falls through.

You may have to be prepared to find temporary housing if your home sells quickly, or be prepared to budget the additional cost of carrying the expense of your former home. If there are multiple people interested in your home, you may be able to accept backup offers, which involve agreeing to sell to a second buyer if the first one backs out. Source: The Wall Street Cheat Sheet
A mortgage payment can comprise more than the price of the home plus interest. Homeowners must pay property taxes and secure some type of home insurance in addition to their principal and interest payments.

In many cases, lenders require buyers to pay into an escrow account, from which your lender keeps enough money to cover your taxes and insurance.

Unless you are granted another payment arrangement, your mortgage payment will include payments to your escrow. Depending on how much land you purchase, you can generally tack on a couple hundred dollars a month to cover your taxes and insurance.

TAX AND INSURANCE PAYMENTS

The convenient part of an escrow account is that your lender makes your payment for you. This helps you avoid missed or overlooked payments and ensures you have enough money in the account to cover the bills.

If you’re buying a home, the seller will likely disclose the amount of the annual property taxes on the house when it is listed for sale. This information is also readily available from your local property tax assessor. A local insurance agent could also give you a rough estimate on coverage for the home. Add the numbers up and divide them by 12 to get an idea of what you’ll be paying into escrow.

PROTECT YOURSELF

It is important to make sure your lender or mortgage servicer is retaining and making the correct amount of tax and insurance payments. You should receive a periodic statement showing how much is in your escrow account and can compare the statements with your property tax bill and homeowner’s policy.

The Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act is enforced by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. This is the major law covering escrow accounts.

**TIPS**

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- **Self-employed?**
  - Plan ahead even more, including documentation of incomes that includes two years of tax returns. Self-employed borrowers should plan to take fewer deductions the years before buying a house to boost their overall income. Otherwise, they may need to seek out an unconventional loan that will qualify them based on bank statements alone. Source: bankrate.com
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A Look back at the TOP 10 Songs from A – Z

B.B. KING’s Top 10 Songs

1. The Thrill Is Gone - #15, 1970
2. If I Could Win Your Love - #29, 1974
3. Rock Me Baby - #34, 1964
4. To Know You Is To Love You - #38, 1973
5. Takin’ Care of Business - #39, 1968
6. Take Me Back to San Antone - #40, 1974
7. Chains And Things - #41, 1973
8. Ain’t Nobody Home - #46, 1972
9. Hummingbird - #47, 1970
10. So Excited - #54, 1970

SundaySudoku

B.R. STIMSON

KING FEATURES

ACROSS
1. Old Glory, for one
5. Up in smoke
11. Puff of ink
15. Arnie's knee connection
19. — to Greeted
20. "Spooked"
23. Chip off the old block
25. Be sweet on
26. Wilson of films
27. One half of 45
28. Cat
29. Stingy type
30. Get a £, e.g.
31. Mauna
33. Sharp new in new Zealand?
36. Napoleon's pintpail
40. Cid, e.g.
41. Warner — out

DOWN
1. To make a living, say
5. Spanish for "Give"
9. "Dr. No" villain
10. A little, often
12. Dangerous to join
13. Change
14. Slugger
16. Exode
17. Artful
19. Looked at the bottom of a soup bowl?
21. Flushes
22. Antepasto
23. Loved by the Greens, e.g.
24. "1962 hit" (8)
24. Cut Across
26. Old phone
datepart
30. Detective feature of blasting, say
31. Composer
32. Performer of "Jerome"
33. Acoustic pair
34. Calling the shots
35. Nearly
36. "Fours" anchor
37. Pop singer
38. Just slightly
39. Judged
40. At "vins corde" (8)
41. East — #90
42. Rhythm (11)
43. Fenton — just
44. Triplet, Garden Suburb, Woodview Dr., off Grove Park neighborhood sale. Something for everyone.
45. Old saying
46. Purple Goddess, e.g.
47. Record
48. Singer of "Like I'm Movin'"
49. "I'm Movin'"
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80. "I'm Movin'"

Saturday, May 16th, 9-4 P.M.
Fenton
308 East South Holly
Multi-family, Household, clothing, furniture, crafts and miscellaneous.

Friday, May 15th, 9-4 P.M.
Fenton
Fentonwood Subdivision, north of Owen Rd., west of Jennings Rd. Something for everyone.

Saturday, May 16th, 8-4 P.M.
Fenton
Woodview Dr., off Grove Park neighborhood sale. Something for everyone.

Saturday, May 16th, 10-4 P.M.
Fenton
Silver Ridge Subdivision, north of Owen Rd., west of Jennings Rd. Something for everyone.

Saturday, May 16th, 8-4 P.M.
Grand Blanc
Annual Community Garage Sale at Lake Park Village, near Fenton and Baldwin Road.

Garage Sales

To advertise, call 810-629-8194

Sunday, May 16th, 9-5 P.M.
Byron
14401 Duffield Road. Multi-family, Household, items, tools, clothing and miscellaneous items.

Tuesday, May 15th, 9-5 P.M.
Fenton
Southwest Drive, off Windser Beach Rd. Multi-family sale!

Saturday, May 16th, 8-4 P.M.
Fenton
Triple Oak Estates, off Fenton and Windsor Beach Rd. Multi-family sale!

Thursday, May 14th, 9-4 P.M.
Fenton
Lake Pine Subdivision, north of Chippewa Rd., west of Fenton Rd. Multi-family sale!

Thursday, May 15th, 9-5 P.M.
Linden
Annual Silver Meadow Sub, west of Linden High School. Multi-family! Little bit of something for everyone.

Thursday, May 14th, 9-5 P.M.
Linden
Meadow Pointe condos. Large garage sale.

Friday, May 15th, 9-4 P.M.
Linden
Linden High School. Multi-family sale!

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Fenton

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TYRONE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Tyrone Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 26, 2015, beginning at 7:30 at the Tyrone Township Hall, 10408 Center Road, Fenton, Michigan 48430. The purpose for the Public Hearing is:

To receive public comments regarding a special land use permit for tax ID 4704-36-300-027. Applicant seeks a special land use permit authorizing applicant to erect, maintain and use a closed, locked facility as described in Michigan Public Act 512 of 2012 and to be used for purposes consistent with that public act and all laws of the State of Michigan.

Mark Meisel, Chairman
Tyrone Township Planning Commission

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF A REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY MAY 26, 2015 AT 7:00 PM BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FENTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AT 12060 MANTAWAUKA. THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

HOME OCCUPATIONS:
HO15-014 Diana L. Gibbons, 13435 Lakeshore, Fenton
Requesting a home occupation permit for a personal training studio at 13453 Lakeshore, parcel 06-14-551-020

NEW BUSINESS:
ZBA15-014 David Duffy, 12237 Margaret, Fenton
Requesting 18 ft. sight line, 2.5 ft. side and 1 ft. total two side variances to build a deck and walkway, parcel 06-11-501-045

ZBA15-015 Sandra Easler, 14181 Swanee Bch., Fenton
Requesting 48 ft. sight line variance to construct a privacy fence, parcel 06-23-501-008

ZBA15-016 Kirt Rundell 15199 Restwood, Fenton
Requesting 479 sq. ft. accessory building maximum square footage variance to build a garage on property across the street from 15199 Restwood, parcel 06-30-502-060

ZBA15-017 Michael Devlin, 1951 Vinsetta Ct. Rochester
Requesting 6 ft. front and 14 ft. sight line variances to build a new house after demolishing the exist at 2437 Davis St, parcel 06-02-554-014

ZBA15-018 Dennis E. Chinonis 13169 Log Cabin Pt, Fenton
Requesting 284 sq. ft. accessory building maximum square footage variance to build an attached and detached garage, parcel 06-14-530-018 & 06-14-530-019

COPIES OF THE ABOVE LISTED APPLICATIONS AND THE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE FOR YOUR REVIEW. YOUR OPINIONS MAY BE EXPRESSED VERBALLY AT THIS HEARING OR IN WRITING TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS PRIOR TO THIS HEARING. THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ENCOURAGES YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THESE APPEALS.

This notice is published in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA 41.72a (2) (3) and the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA).

Any questions should be directed to the Fenton Township Clerk, 12060 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, MI 48430, (810) 629-1537.
TOWNSHIP OF TYRONE
LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN
1951 PA 33 PROCEEDINGS

Notice of Public Hearing on the Assessment Roll for the Police and Fire Protection Special Assessment District No. X0082

To the residents and property owners of the Township of Tyrone, Livingston County, Michigan and any other interested persons:

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Supervisor and assessing officer of the Township have reported to the Township Board and filed in the office of the Township Clerk for public examination a special assessment roll prepared by him covering all the properties within the Special Assessment District benefited by the proposed assessment. The assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the costs of providing police and fire protection within the assessment district as more particularly shown on the plans on file with the Township Clerk at 10408 Center Road, Fenton, MI, which assessment is in the total amount of $597,615.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the assessing officer has further reported that the assessment against each parcel of land within the district is to such relative portion of the whole sum levied against all parcels of land within the district as to the benefit of such parcels bears to the total benefit to all parcels within the district. Each parcel shall be assessed as follows: a) vacant parcels, $75.00; b) parcels with residential structures, $150.00; c) parcels containing structures or trailers with multiple units, $250.00 plus an additional $20.00 per unit; d) all other parcels, $250.00 which has been placed on file in the Clerk’s office and has passed a Resolution tentatively declaring its intent to establish the Special Assessment District. The term of the Special Assessment District is three years.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board will meet at the Township Hall, 10408 Center Road, Fenton, MI commencing at 7:00 PM. on May 19, 2015, for the purpose of reviewing the special assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto. The roll may be examined at the office of the Township Clerk during regular business hours of regular business days until the time of the hearing and may further be examined at the hearing. Appearance and protest at the hearing held to confirm the special assessment roll is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

An owner or party in interest, or his or her agent, may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or shall be permitted to file his or her appearance or protest by letter and his or her personal appearance shall not be required. The owner or person having an interest in the real property who protests in person or in writing at the hearing may file a written appeal of special roll with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll.

To set the special assessments for the years 2016 and 2017, the public hearings for those years will be held at the Tyrone Township Hall at 7:00 PM. on Tuesday September 20, 2016 and Tuesday September 19, 2017 respectively.

Keith Kremer, CLERK
Township of Tyrone
Richland
PLAN 10-255
A wide covered porch wraps around the front of the Richland, conjuring up images of porch swings and rocking chairs. Gables, shutters, windows and wood siding add to the nostalgic image. Inside, the floor plan is completely contemporary – low on formality and high on livability. The front room could be a dining room, parlor or even a home office, if that’s preferable.
The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday May 4, 2015 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12080 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan and took the following actions.

Trustee Goupil offered the opening prayer.

Clerk Krug led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The Fenton Township Board held a regular meeting on Monday May 4, 2015 at the Fenton Township Civic Community Center, 12080 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday. Ordinances, meeting schedules, meeting minutes and other Township information are also available at www.fentontownship.org.

Adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Appointed Clerk Krug as temporary chairman.

Clerk Krug led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

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A complete copy of the minutes of this meeting and any ordinances adopted at this meeting are on file and available for review at the Fenton Township Office, 12080 Mantawauka Drive, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday. Ordinances, meeting schedules, meeting minutes and other Township information are also available at www.fentontownship.org.

ROBERT E. KRUG
FENTON TOWNSHIP CLERK
Family wonders how to deal with “complete jerk”

DEAR AMY:
Our family has a problem. We wonder what to do about the man who in all likelihood will soon be the husband of my stepdaughter, who is 30 years old. No one likes the way he treats her -- he is condescending and close to being emotionally abusive. Also, he is a complete jerk. The problem is that she thinks he walks on water, which has us all perplexed, because she is bright and beautiful and no one can imagine what she sees in this guy. He is over the top in being egotistical about her, but he pretty much has the final say in whom they see and what they do. We are deathly afraid that if we even mention how we feel about this clown, she will cut us off. What should we do? — Upset Step

DEAR DR. ROACH: Could the cause of chronic bad breath be due to having a tortuous esophagus? I’ve always had a terrible taste in my mouth 10 to 20 minutes after eating -- sometimes worse than others, depending on what I’ve eaten. I was diagnosed with GERD 10 years ago. I tried eliminating certain foods, had my tonsils removed in my late 20s and have brought it up with doctors a few times, to no avail. I have regular cleanings every three months with a dental hygienist, and I floss regularly, gargle and brush my teeth two or three times a day. I am too embarrassed to discuss this with anyone, including my gastroenterologist, who discovered this type of esophageal dysmotility during my endoscopy. A TV doctor said there are millions of people out there who can’t find a cure for their bad breath. Please help me! — S.H.

ANSWER: There are millions of people who think they have bad breath do not, when examined objectively, by professionals. This is common enough that it has a name: halitophobia. Approximately 80 percent to 90 percent of bad breath comes from the oral cavity; the nasal passages, tonsils and sinuses are the causes in nearly all the others. Bad breath almost never arises from the esophagus or stomach, so I don’t think your tortuous esophagus is the cause. A bad taste in your mouth certainly can come from having GERD. Many people think that the bad taste means their breath smells bad when, in fact, it doesn’t. I think you need to have an evaluation by an expert. Some ENT doctors have particular expertise in this area.

Bad breath may not be bad at all

Vanilla French Macarons

Ingredients
Macaron Shells
1 1/2 cups powdered sugar
1 cup + 2 tbs almond flour
3 eggs whites
1/2 cup sugar
Food coloring
Sprinkles
Vanilla Buttercream Filling
1/2 cup salted butter
1 3/4 cup powdered sugar
1/2 tsp milk
1/2 tsp vanilla extract

Instructions
1. Preheat oven to 325 degrees.
2. Prepare a piping bag with a round tip with about a 1/4" opening (wilton tip #9, #10 and #11 should work) and a baking sheet lined with parchment paper.
3. In a medium bowl, sift almond flour and powdered sugar together. Set aside.
4. In a stand mixer with a whisk attachment, beat egg whites on high speed until they form soft peaks.
5. Lower the mixer’s speed to medium and add sugar.
6. Put mixer back on the highest speed and beat until they form stiff peaks.
7. With the mixer still on high speed, add food coloring a few drops at a time until you get desired color.
8. Take bowl off of mixer and add almond flour/sugar mixture.
9. Using a rubber spatula, aggressively fold in dry ingredients until the batter starts to loosen and becomes a little runny. To test if the batter is ready, lift a small amount of batter from the bowl and drop it back into the batter. If it does nothing, keep mixing. If it slowly melts back into the batter after 20-30 seconds, it is ready.
10. Put batter (about 1/3 of the mixture) into prepared piping bag and cover the rest of the batter with saran wrap.
11. Pipe 1 1/2" circles on prepared baking sheet and firmly tap the bottom of the tray so that the batter flattens out. Repeat with remaining batter.
12. Add a few sprinkles to each macaron.
13. Let them rest for 30-45 minutes until they form a skin.
14. Bake for 10-12 minutes, or until they are set.
15. Let cool before peeling them off parchment paper.

For the Buttercream
1. Peel macarons off parchment paper and pair them according to size.
2. Using a piping bag with a round tip (wilton tip #6 or #7) pipe a spiral on one half of a pair of cookies.
3. Sandwich the cookie pair together.
4. EAT!
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Beautiful 2 Story Home w/Open Flr. Plan, Firelit Great Rm., Neutral Décor. Fin. LL. Lg. Deck for Entertaining.

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4 Bed, 4 Bath Home, Nestled on a Quiet Treed Lot. 3 Seasons Room. Minutes from X-Ways and Shopping.

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