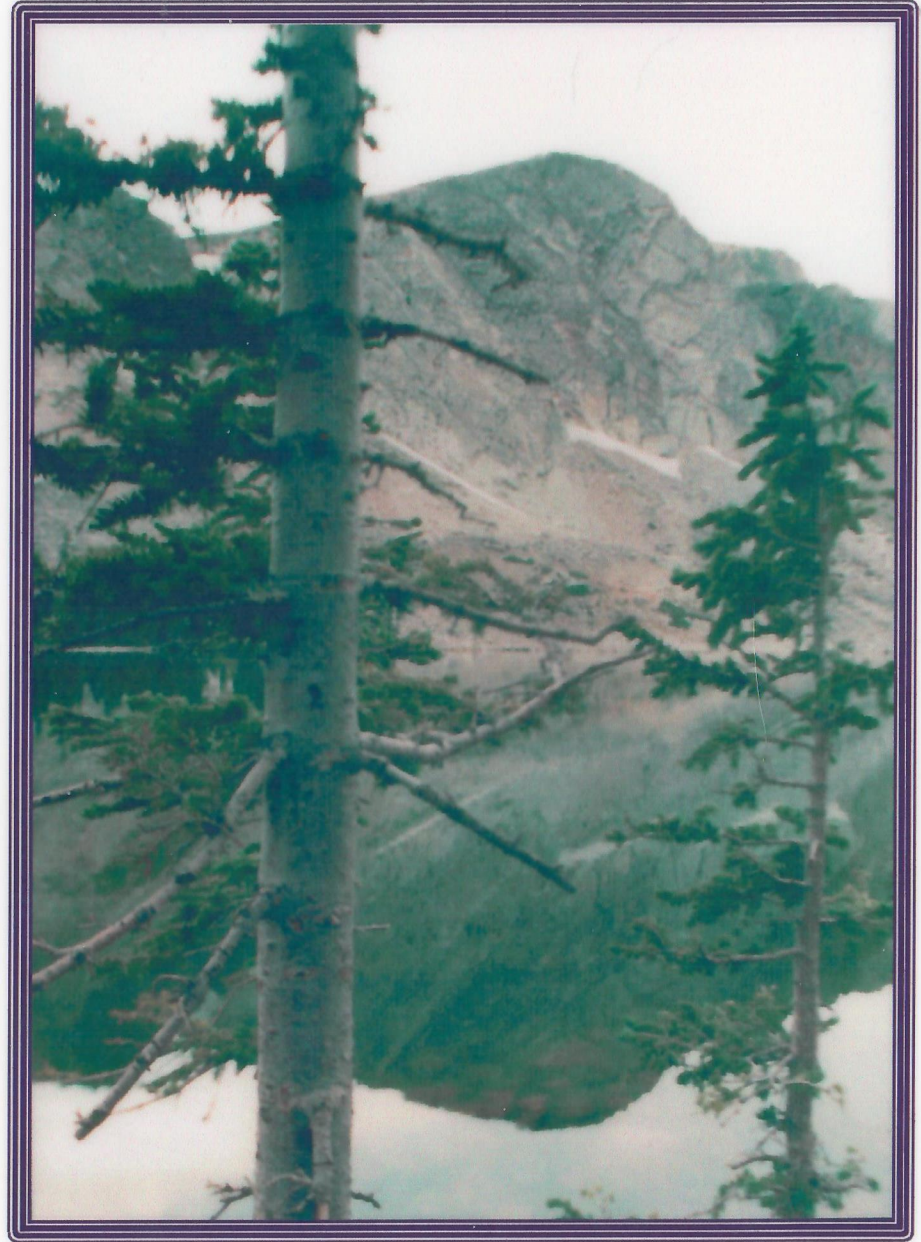


Knight Family Calendar
1999



LAKE MARIE, our cover photograph by Michael Don Knight, won a blue ribbon at the Albany County Fair. Thanks for sharing it, Mick! This glacial lake, high in the Snowy Range west of Laramie, is known by those of us who grew up there as one of the most beautiful vistas in our corner of the world. The peak and the glacier are reflected so clearly in the crystal water, it's hard to tell if this remarkable photo is right side up, but in the tip of the reflected peak you'll make out the image of stones in the lake bottom. Then, you'll want to linger over the picture looking for that three pound rainbow surely lurking in the deep.

An inscription at the lake reads:

Lake Marie was named for Mrs. Mary (Marie) Bellamy (1861 to 1955) by her husband, Charles Bellamy, who was a government surveyor. After Marie was elected to the Wyoming Legislature, she led the successful suffrage drive that resulted in the passage of the 19th amendment to the United States Constitution.

Mary G. Bellamy was born on December 13, 1861. After moving to Laramie in 1873, she became one of the three members of the first graduating class of Laramie High School. Starting her teaching career in 1878 in Tybo, Nevada, she returned to Laramie in 1882. Mary married Charles Bellamy in 1886. After being elected to the office of Albany County Superintendent of Schools in 1902, she became the first woman to be elected to the Wyoming Legislature in 1910.

Our 1999 calendar is compiled of answers to four questions we asked each of you. Thanks for the terrific response. The questions, as we hoped, evoked some chuckles, some surprises, and some things to think about.

We want to express again our admiration and appreciation for this wonderful family, and extend a big welcome to the several new members of our extended clan. We're happily confident you'll end up crazy with the rest of us.

Merry Christmas!

*Jerri, Mom, Grandma, G.G.
Denny*

We asked . . .

- ▶ If you could travel to any country in the world, where would it be? What is the first thing you would do there?
- ▶ You just won a gazillion dollars in the Powerball. What is the first thing you will do (besides quitting your job?)
- ▶ Quote a favorite expression or saying you remember an elder using. Who do you remember using it?
- ▶ Is there an expression you would use, or some advice you would give, to someone going off to conquer the world?

You answered . . .



Globetrotters . . .

My first choice would have been Ireland, but since we did that last summer my next choice would be to go to France and take an extended boat trip, traveling inland waterways, through France, Holland, Germany, and wherever else you can go that way.

Jerry Knight

Hawaii is the place I want to go, hang out on the beach and eat all the fresh fruit and smell all the beautiful flowers.

Andrea MacMillan

I would go to France, ride my bicycle through the countryside and eat bread and cheese and drink wine in a field of sunflowers. Then I'd lie back and watch the clouds drift.

Becky Knight

If I could travel to any country in the world, I would go to Israel and study some of the places in the Bible, starting in Bethlehem, and hike around (especially in the mountains.)

Jennifer Jones

If I could travel to any country in the world, it would be to Israel and the Middle East, to see the things Jesus saw.

Charley Martin

"Go with Mom and Dad!"

Casey and Sarah Brewer

I would go to Australia. The first thing I would do is go camping in the outback for a few weeks.

Cheryl Brewer

Candy Land! Eat M&M's and gummy bears.

Ian Clay

Africa. Do a wild tribal dance and go on a safari.

Christi Clay

I would go to Denmark to visit my friend, Morten, and we would probably go out and have some fun.

Jimmy Mora

Ireland. I would go to the nearest pub to find some Gaelic music and then go to kiss the Blarney Stone!

Dawn Goodnough

Tahiti! I'd take a tour of the island.

Denise Marie Wolf Martin

I would buy a ticket on the Orient Express, that fabulous train from Paris to Constantinople (Istanbul) in Turkey. Actually, I don't think the train still runs, at least not the full distance, so I may have to wait for my Powerball check and buy my own railroad.

Dennis Knight

Italy! I would feast!

Jen Molitor-MacMillan

The Caribbean Islands, to sight-see and relax away from the hustle and bustle of city life and work.

Eileen Knight

I would go to Japan to see the geisha.

Gene Goodnough

I would go to Las Vegas and jump in Maureen and Mac's pool.

Janetta Spaulding

I'd travel to Rome. When I got there, I'd do as the Romans do.

Kevin Knight

I would travel to Scotland, go visit Duart Castle on the Isle of Mull. Duart is the clan castle of McLean (my mother's clan.)

John Clay

I would love to go on a month or two long trip around the world, from the remote rain forests of Brazil to London and Hong Kong. I'd do as much as I could in each place, and sleep when I get home.

Joleen Knight

I would go to Europe—London, Paris, Rome—to see all there is to see. The closest I will get to that, I guess, is going to Las Vegas. I hope they hurry up and build the "Parisian" and the "Venetian".

Barbara Collins

Ireland....explore the green land!

Gary Goodnough

I would go to South America and visit ancient Mayan and Aztec ruins.

Jesica "Sheki" Lujan (Mora)

I would go to Kenya and go on a safari.*

Brian Curtis

Kenya. As soon as I recovered from the jet lag, the first thing I'd do would be to go on a safari.*

Jill MacMillan
(*Jill denies it, but of course they colluded.)

I would go to Greece and Crete, to look at all the sights and study the people in every day life.

Eleanor Workman

During my four years in the Navy, I was able to travel around the world. I have been to many exotic and exciting places, and many would be wonderful to revisit. While I enjoyed my travels, there was something very important missing. I was not with someone I loved. I've discovered that no matter where you go, or what you see, it's not the same unless you're able to share it with someone you love. A ROSE IS JUST A FLOWER UNLESS ITS BEAUTY CAN BE SHARED. Ireland would be wonderful, or Hawaii, possibly even Australia, but only if I were able to share it with Jill.

Jim Knight

“It’s good for you”

was my mother’s favorite line for every joy or misery that came my way. After 60 years of both, I’ve added a line to pass on to a youngster setting off to conquer the world, “if it doesn’t kill you, it’s good for you, so *carpé every diem*.”

Ann Molitor

Always find time to read to your children, especially at bedtime!

Maureen MacMillan

I think the best thing I could do would be to pass along the advice that someone once gave me. Excellence is not a part-time commitment. If you want to be the best at what you do, you need to dedicate your whole self to doing it. Do whatever it takes, and never give up.

Thomas Knight

Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can.

Tim Knight

Sometimes we think the key to being happy is to find a city, home or job that has a lot to offer (i.e., a prestigious neighborhood, status, amenities, etc.) Although these are nice to have, an even better question to ask is, “Are there opportunities for me to serve? Is there somewhere I can share my talents and experiences with others, and still grow myself?”

Jennifer Jones

I don’t think it would be wise for anyone to listen to any advice I might give. Jerry and the kids know full well that some of the things I say don’t make sense. I was talking to Jerry and said, “Whenever I open my mouth, I put my foot in the door.” Can anyone figure out what that means?

Rosie Knight



Be yourself, and think before you act.

John Collins

Learn and live as you go on your way.

Joanne Knight

First, I need someone to give me some advice. Then, I’ll pass on what I learn.

Evan Collins

Good luck!

Brett Collins

Please be kind.

Vince MacMillan

I remember Dad said to me when I went off to the Navy, “Don’t take any wooden nickels.” My advice would be, “Keep your head on straight.”

Mick Knight

When I set off to conquer the world, I thought I knew everything. I would tell someone else setting off that, “I am here, if you have any questions or just want to talk.”

David Scherer

Live your life to the fullest. Protect your name, and do what you can to help others in need.

Eleanor Workman

I am probably not well qualified to give my children or their children advice, but then I didn’t always take the advice I was given. In any event, I might suggest to anyone who wants to listen or who, like me, wants to make their own mistakes, “climb every mountain, because, from the peak, everything else is downhill and easy.”

Jerri Knight

Never start something as soon as you get to your destination. You’ll never have anybody’s true attention.

Robert Knight

I would tell anyone going off to conquer the world, “Come back home.”

Sarah Brewer

My advice: to realize what you’re up against and totally believe in yourself and make sure you’re happy, or nothing will get accomplished.

Tracy Wolf



Blarney, and other truths.

I remember my dad always calling everybody "Love". I never picked that one up but it is really nice. And I do remember Grandpa Knight saying "if you have a canker sore on your tongue, you peed outside." He also told me (at Scottie's) "if you put salt and pepper on a seagull's tail, you can catch it." And one time for Christmas, Grandma gave me a diary. In it, she wrote "if you don't want anyone to read it, don't write it down." Guess what, Grandma, I never wrote anything in that diary.

Barbara Collins

Grandma Payton used to talk about a person's "hind leg". If one of us kids hurt our leg and came in crying she would say we had "a sore hind leg".

Mick Knight

Our parents' favorite expression, "DO YOUR HOMEWORK!"

Sarah and Casey Brewer

I can't remember any saying from when I was younger. There is one expression that I get a kick out of. It is from Yogi Berra (the baseball catcher and manager), "When you come to a fork in the road, take it."

Rosie Knight

"Don't do as I do, do as I say." - My father.

Gene Goodnough

"Do as I say, not as I do." - Dad

Gary Goodnough

"Every black cloud has a silver lining." This is what my father used to tell me when I would be sad over things.

Eleanor Workman

"If you don't have anything good to say, don't say anything at all", and "Treat people the way you want to be treated" are two expressions that just stuck with me through the years.

Dan MacMillan

"Make sure to change your underwear everyday in case you ever get in a car wreck." - My mom.

Christi Clay

"Remember, it's not the size of the dog in the fight that counts, it's the size of the fight in the dog." - John Deti, my high school football coach

Jerry Knight

Well, it's not an expression, but I remember dad holding me upside down to empty the "grumpus galumpas" out of me.

Thomas Knight

When Amy and I were little, mom and dad always told us they'd 'take us back to the Indians' if we didn't start behaving.

Jennifer Jones

"Don't let the sun go down with regrets." - My grandfather.

Charley Martin

"I can't read your mind by looking at your butt." - Roxie Brewer

Dawn Goodnough

My dad used to tell me when I was little that, if I was ever in a life-threatening situation, to "put your head between your legs, and kiss your ass goodbye."

Joleen Knight

"Them's tougher than woodpecker lips." - My Dad

Vince MacMillan

"Grass doesn't grow on a rolling stone", and "a rolling stone gathers no moss." are two forms of an expression I often heard growing up.

Eileen Knight

My mom tries not to cuss, so when she is mad, she yells "God bless America!", and it's really funny. We always tease her. Also, my mom and grandma used to say, "don't pout with your bottom lip out or a chicken will peck it." Now my mom told Sheki, and she won't let me forget it.

Jimmy Mora

My dad always told me, "non illigitimus carborundrum" (don't let the bastards grind you down).

Becky Knight

"Stiff as a carp" (Ann Molitor) is a phrase I always took for granted until Vince said to me "I presume it is a dead carp."

Jen Molitor-MacMillan

Lucky Dogs!

There have been two Powerball winners in North Platte! If I won, first, I would get a lawyer and change my name...maybe to "Barbara Payton". Then I would get my prize money in Lincoln, Nebraska. I would buy a bunch of plane tickets to some exotic place, get all my friends and family there and enjoy ourselves for about ten days. Then I would make sure everybody has a house, a car, and money in the checking account to always have the bills paid in advance so they can do productive things for the world without having to always stress out about bills. I wouldn't have a job because I would be too busy doing anonymous things in the community. I'd like to volunteer at the schools and pick out the children that have hard lives, and do things to make their lives easier. Like do things for the parent(s), say, buy a washer & dryer if they need it, or fix a leaky roof or put a fence around their yard, or buy them sports equipment and fees if they are good at it or just want to do it. I would also like to fix up the homeless people I see, like getting them fixed up with a backpack filled with necessities (like a sleeping bag and soap and a little prayer book) so they don't have to walk around dragging a blanket and plastic bags and wearing five shirts in the middle of summer or no hat and gloves in the winter. In between times of doing all that, my family would take a lot of vacations, spending time together. And if it really did happen to me, I wouldn't have to be envious of that lady across town who really did win \$54 million.

Barb Collins

I would spend part of my Powerball earnings on a BIG computer! It would have Quad XEON 450's, a 500 Gigabyte RAID hard drive system, 4 gigs of RAM, a Quantum 24 3d card, and a 45" monitor.

Stormy Knight

I would like to get as many of the family together as I could for a one-week reunion, probably around San Luis, Colorado.

Jim Knight

I'm going to buy 30,000 acres of Douglas County, Colorado, and start a horse farm. Then I will go to Scotland and buy about 400 acres and have a summer estate there. Then I will buy about 100 of the finest European and English thoroughbreds and warmblood horse money could buy and really go into the horse business.

I would also buy everyone a house in Douglas County so that we all would be close. And I would quit my job.

John Clay

I'd buy a ranch somewhere in the Rockies. I would build some cabins and a lodge and hold retreats, primarily for underprivileged youth to come and ride horses, sing songs around a campfire and learn about the great outdoors.

Jennifer Jones

First, I will pay off all my bills, and then I would buy me a new truck and trailer, load up all my things, and move to California. I'd buy a house there and take a vacation with my wife-to-be, and get married. But the wedding will probably take all my money (hee hee).

Jimmy Mora

I would use my winnings to invest in stock, and share with the whole family.

Denise Wolf Martin



With my gazillion dollars, after ensuring that all my family and extended family were financially secure (including Gene and I, of course), I would set up an emergency fund to help families and individuals that are facing hardships to help them better their lives, eliminating the red tape that people have to endure when they are desperately seeking immediate assistance.

Kathi Goodnough

I would pay bills, buy a house, take a vacation in Mexico. Oh, and take Jimmy to a home game for the Steelers.

Jesica "Sheki" Lujan (Mora)

I would buy my own archaeological site.

Jud Finley

I would pay the bills and pay off the house, and then buy a brand new house with a maid and a part time chauffeur until the boys are both out of school (college, that is).

Joanne Knight

I would give some money to my family, and then I would buy a lot of land for wildlife refuges and land for hunting.

Johnny Collins

Wow! Imagine that gazillion dollars exploding in my bank account! What will I do with all that cash? Quitting my job doesn't seem to be an option for me. There are so many things one can do with money if you are fortunate enough to have a sizable amount. Education, health care and suitable living conditions are at the peak of my priorities. For that reason I would try to set up feasible programs for the benefit of schools and scholars, health insurance policies for those who do not have this kind of coverage and upgraded housing for low income families.

Jerri Knight

America, from East to West, and North to South, there are so many beautiful places to see, and there are so many fun ways to see it, with our RV, trains, ferries, cruises, and more. I guess first I'd go to Hawaii, unpack, get on a swimsuit and walk the beach. Then I'd order a big piña colada and sit and watch the waves.

Jill Knight

If I could travel to any country in the world, I think I would choose Italy. I would first hire an excellent tourist guide. I think this tour would begin in Rome where I would see the Vatican City and all its environs, both religious and cultural, and then proceed to the beautiful and romantic cities, such as Naples and Venice. Then off to the quaint countryside to see the vineyards and their counterparts, the wineries. Probably my dream vacation would include and conclude with the beautiful Mediterranean.

Jerri Knight

I would travel to Japan. The first thing I would do is find the nearest taiko group and see how my abilities stack up to theirs.

Thomas Knight

I would love to travel to Ireland. Maybe it sounds funny, but the first thing I would do is go to a Catholic church and thank God

Mary Knight

Tierra del Fuego ("The Land of Fire" at the extreme end of South America). Climb a mountain and stare at the stars in the unfamiliar Southern sky for the first time, as if I were on a new planet.

Vince MacMillan

There are so many places I would love to go to. Australia, New Zealand, and Kenya would be high on the list. My very first choice would be to go to Ireland and visit the castles.

Mick Knight

I would travel back to Ireland and visit all of the places that Jerry and I didn't get to see last summer. I would go to Killarney and ride the jaunting car again, and I would also spend some time in Tralee.

Rosie Knight

I can't remember the name of the island, but it's the one Wonder Woman came from. As for the first thing I'd do....smile!

Stacy Brewer

I would return to Germany and look for members of three families that were dear to me.

Maureen MacMillan

I would go to Bali, and I would EAT.

Jud Finley

If I could go to any country, I would go to Australia and hit the beach.

Nicholas MacMillan

England. I would try to figure out Stonehenge.

Robert Knight

Maybe I'll stay in the good old USA, and go fishing with Uncle Jim out at Soda Green Lake.

Joey Wolf

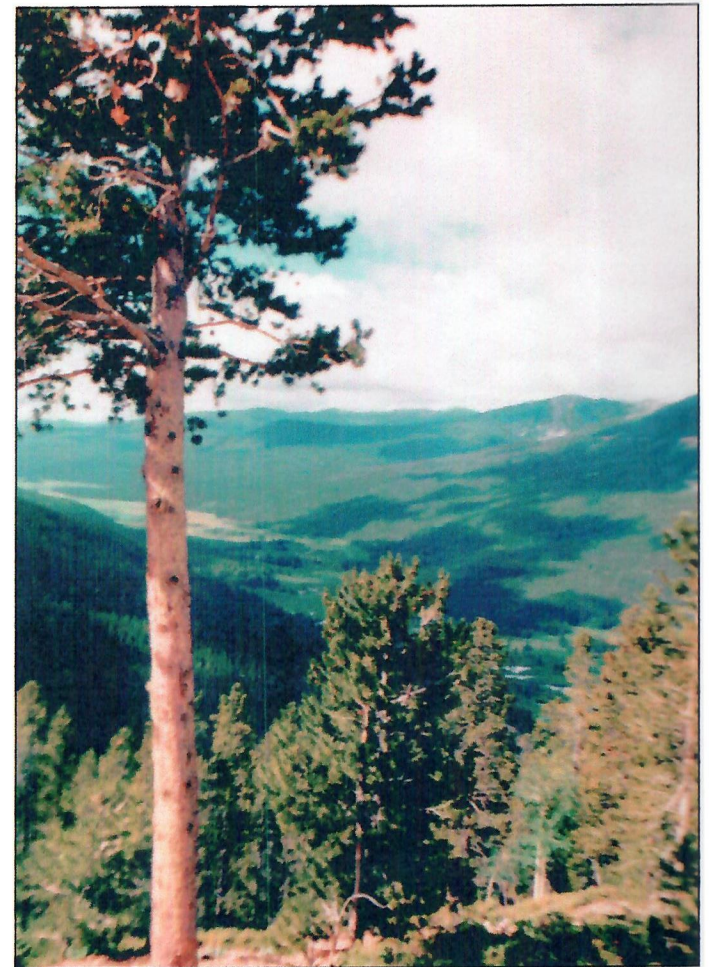


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Moneybags

I'd buy a new toaster, a four-slicer, probably, and some new tires for my Honda Civic. After that, if I had anything left over, I'd buy a house, a monkey, and Disneyland. I'd live at Disneyland. The monkey can have the house. Also, I'd give some money to charity.

Kevin Knight

With my gazillion, I will buy a helicopter, so I can quickly and easily visit the whole family. I guess one of us will have to go to pilot school to fly the thing.

Jen Molitor-MacMillan

I would take my whole family on a cruise from Alaska to Australia and through the canal and all the islands.

Eleanor Workman

I would help friends and family, then donate some to charity.

Dawn Goodnough

I would have a house built up in the mountains, somewhere...maybe even Alaska. Invest some money here and there in stock, share the money with the family, go back to Pennsylvania where I was born and see some family and friends.

Eileen Knight

I will buy a big sail boat and sail around the world. I would also buy a motor home, trailer and a dirt bike and go around the U.S. riding all the tracks.

David Scherer

I would call all of you and we would get together and have the biggest and best party imaginable.

Mick Knight

Before I spent any of the money that I won, the first ten percent would be given to charity. It would be used to feed, house and educate underprivileged families, especially migrant farm workers. I would also gather as many family members that could go and we would be off and singing in the pubs of Ireland, among other things.

Rosie Knight

I would take my whole family to Disney World!

Janetta Spaulding

I would go on a world tour, buy a thousand acres of land in the mountains for my own personal hunting and wildlife viewing, and build all my relatives the homes of their dreams.

Dan MacMillan

I would buy some land with several cabins situated around an open area. There would be a picnic area with flower gardens and recreational facilities; a river for fishing and a lake for boating; walking paths for hiking in the mountains. We could have our family gatherings there.

Jerry Knight

I would buy toys, shorts for my grandma Joann, new jeans for my dad, green present for my mom and a Godzilla toy for my brother, Nicholas.

Jonah Navarrete (MacMillan)

First I would pay off Brian's and my own debt (namely student loans), and then I would pay off all the debt of our immediate families, and finally, I would pay the educational expenses of all my kids, siblings, nieces and nephews.

Jill MacMillan

I would give my gazillion dollars to my family and charity.

Stuart (Mac) MacMillan



The Jungle Out There

It's tough out there. Try to stay as stress-free as possible.
Tina MacMillan

Don't go to Las Vegas, brother, because I'll cry.
Jonah Navarrete (MacMillan)

Don't invade Russia in the winter.
Kevin Knight

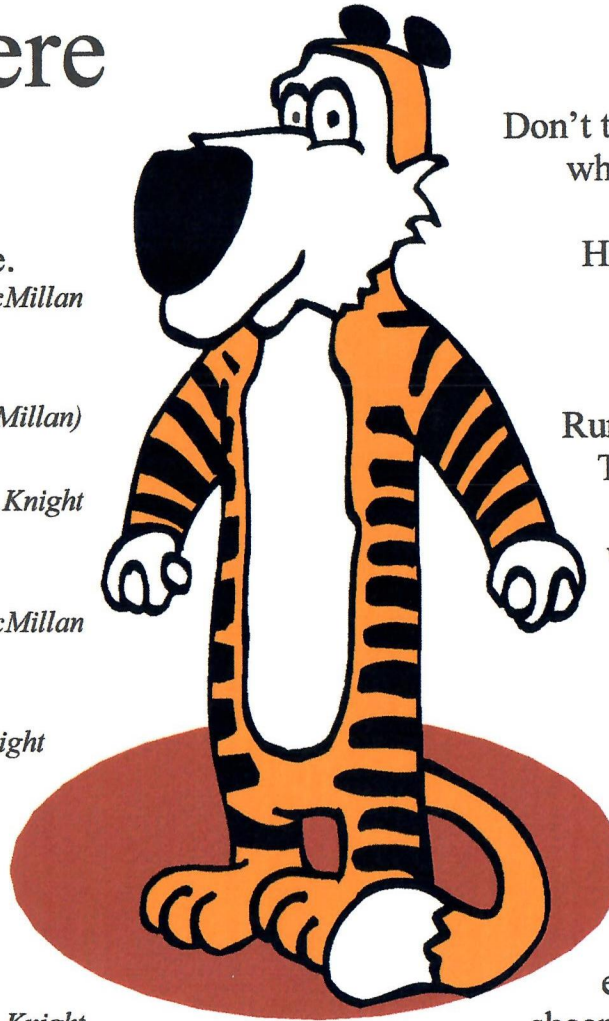
"I was born at night, but it wasn't last night."
Stuart (Mac) MacMillan

I would tell anyone, be satisfied with themselves.
Mary Knight

Believe in yourself and trust your instincts.
Jesica "Sheki" Lujan (Mora)

A good piece of advice I would have to say I learned the hard way: *Open sauerkraut before cooking.*
Stormy Knight

My counsel to someone going off to conquer the world, "Life is short. There's no time to waste and before you know it you're thirty years old, so plan early and don't let your life pass you by."
Nick MacMillan



Don't trust anyone, especially someone who says "trust me."
Cheryl Brewer

Have fun!
Johnny Collins

Stay positive!
Kathi Goodnough

Run the rat race as long as you can. Try to explore and conquer while keeping your sanity. Only then will you realize true happiness is a simple, comfortable home and a loving family.
Stacy Brewer

When my children go off to conquer the world, I will let them know they have been around a caring and friendly environment and when they get out there they will encounter evil people, 'wolves in sheep's clothing'. Some people aren't nearly as nice as they seem to be. So just be yourself (and if you forget who that is, just remember yourself as a child, and that is the real you.) Pay attention, be one step ahead of everyone else, and you won't be taken advantage of.
Barbara Collins

...and that was
good advice,
good advice,
good advice costs nothin'
and it's worth the price!



My mom used to tell us, "if you pout and stick your lip out, a hen will come along and lay an egg on it." Or if we were pouting or making faces, she'd say, "I hope your face doesn't freeze that way!"
Jill Knight

"A rolling stone gathers no moss" - Dad
"Timmy, stop that NOW!" - Mom
"Put pepper on a bird's butt and he can't fly." - Dad
"Do not use an axe to swat a fly from your brother's forehead." - ancient Chinese proverb.
Tim Knight

"There're two kinds of jumping horses--'looking good' and 'just getting over.' Having both is nice, but only one really matters."
Jack LeGoff, riding instructor.
John Clay

"Your eyes are bigger than your belly" was one of Dad's favorite mealtime expressions.
Dennis Knight

"If you don't like what you're doing, do something else." -- my dad
John Collins

"Don't bite off more than you can chew." - Dad
Jim Knight

"Eat all your vegetables so you'll grow up big and tall, just like your father." - my mom.
Kevin Knight

I was often told, "go with your heart, but always be able to stand on your own two feet."
Cheryl Brewer

"You can accomplish anything if you put your mind to it." - George McFly
Denise Wolf Martin

My grandfather, Tim Knight, warns me, "Don't eat yellow snow."
Joey Wolf

"Patience is a virtue." - My dad.
Nicholas MacMillan

"Clean the wax out of your ears!" is an expression my family used when we didn't listen as we grew up as kids (myself, my sister and my cousin.)
Tina MacMillan

I think the funniest saying is someone describing someone else as "the cock of the walk." My boyfriend's mother, Marsha Barton says that.
Tracy Wolf

I would go to Austria and Switzerland. I'd take my time traveling from one small town to the next, learning about the culture. I'd want to spend at least a year there so I could see all the seasons, skiing during the winter and biking during the summer.

David Scherer



My first thought would be to go to Japan, but I would also really like to travel to Europe, Paris, Rome, London, and visit the many wonderful places I learned about in World History.

Joanne Knight

England. I would visit all my old mates and have a pint in the pubs.

Dan MacMillan

Germany. I would find the castle that we visited and the forest or park that we had our picnics at.

Nick MacMillan

I would go to Scotland, and buy a kilt (ha!). I would visit Edinburgh Castle and see the war memorial for the Gordon Highlanders. My uncle's name is there. He was killed in action at Dunkirk in 1940.

Stuart (Mac) MacMillan

France, to see the Eiffel Tower.

Evan Collins

I would travel to the state of Mississippi and I would go there because it is near the Mississippi flyaway. The first thing I would do is go to the flyaway and hunt for geese and ducks.

Johnny Collins

Australia....and get a motel room.

John Collins

Australia, because it is warm

Brett Collins

My "travel dream" is to visit some of the Amish colonies in the Eastern part of the United States. The simplistic Amish way of life has intrigued me for a very long time. I would visit the heart of their communities rather than spend too much time at the tourist attractions.

Kathi Goodnough

I would travel to Ireland, find a pub, and work on my dart game.

Stormy Knight

I would go to China, and sell American products (clothes, toys, etc.)

Tracy Marie Wolf

Las Vegas, go see G.G., Grandma Mac and Panda and my Panda's dog (Big Ole Dummy.)

Jonah Navarrete (MacMillan)

Brazil, to explore the jungle.

Sean MacMillan

I have always wanted to go on a cruise.

Stella Spaulding

I would probably like to go to Australia, hang out with some of the aboriginal people, and maybe have a boxing match with a kangaroo.

Tim Knight

I would go to an island country and the first thing I would do is relax in a cool breeze with a great book, and think about absolutely nothing.

Tina MacMillan



The world is yours!

Nicholas MacMillan

A central part of the Chinese symbol for opportunity includes the symbol for risk.

John Clay

Don't let anyone (including yourself) give you the idea that there is something you can't do because of lack of ability. You can do whatever you set your mind to.

Jerry Knight

A quitter never wins, and a winner never quits.

Brian Curtis

There is no substitute for a "can-do" attitude.

Dennis Knight

Follow your dreams, take life one day at a time. Be all you can be.

Andrea MacMillan

Life is like a work of art made by you. You think of what to create, you create the masterpiece, and then you sit back and enjoy the beauty of it, and whether it's good or bad, you did your best.

Jimmy Mora

Every day is a holiday; every meal a feast.

Becky Knight

If you ever need me, I'll be here!

Jill Knight

Call home at least once a week!

Dawn Goodnough

Protect and bring honor to your family name.

Charley Martin

Appreciate the present and the 'here and now'. Don't worry about the past or the future, for those are things you cannot change. Remember that the present is like a gift to cherish and enjoy.

Christi Clay

"Don't be a truck driver, be a brain surgeon."

Stuart (Mac) MacMillan

Always keep an open mind.

Jill MacMillan

"Keep your mind wide open" is the advice I would give to someone just going off to conquer the world.

Jen Molitor-MacMillan

My advice would be to get a college education. To get anywhere in life, now days, don't quit school! Your education is the most important thing you can have.

Eileen Knight

Make sure you pick your friends wisely.

Dan MacMillan

Do as you wish, as long as your wishes don't hurt, belittle or destroy other peoples' lives.

Gene Goodnough

Do it now, while you're still young and have the energy!.

Jim Knight

My advice: "have fun."

Casey Brewer

Go do it, and have fun!

Joey Wolf

Pack a swimming suit!

Janetta Spaulding

Don't forget your towel!

Jud Finley

Do what YOU feel is right, only you know what you want to do. Be very careful of the advice you take from others and think things through first. Make sure you have a good time, whatever you choose to do.

Joleen Knight

Pray about decisions you make.

Gary Goodnough

Do unto others as you'd have done to you. You can do anything through Jesus Christ, our Lord. He gives you peace, strength, understanding and guidance through your journey in life.

Denise Wolf Martin

If I won the Powerball...
I would bring my family together to start a foundation or charity for a cause accepted as worthwhile and deserving by all of us, and then go for it!
Maureen MacMillan

... travel around and do just what I've dreamed about, to see America. Then, of course, I would love to spend money on my family, not only paying bills but buying gifts for others is always fun! Maybe buy a big house or resort area where we all could come together and have fun.
Jill Knight

... buy the San Francisco 49'ers football team.
Evan Collins

... buy my own island.
Nicholas MacMillan

... donate to the underprivileged, take Kathi to Pennsylvania to see the Amish, something she's always wanted to do, then I would have a trust fund set up for Kathi's and my grandchildren, and last but not least, Kathi and I would travel and take it easy.
Gene Goodnough

... build a space station and spend twelve years in it.
Robert Knight

... buy a toy, silly!
Ian Clay

... help unfortunate people.
Gary Goodnough

... buy everybody I know a castle, and then fly in everyone to have the party of the millennium.
Thomas Knight

I would buy everything I've always wanted, such as a brand new car, have a house designed the way I want it. I would buy an island where all my family could go when they want to get away. I would give to charity and help the homeless.
Andrea MacMillan

... do all sorts of wondrous things yet to be determined. But first, I think I'd have my winnings converted to cash, and swim in it like Scrooge McDuck.
Dennis Knight

... buy the Snowy Range and build a big log cabin next to Mirror Lake.
Joey Wolf

... buy land and build a house and live in the lifestyle of my dreams.
Tracy Wolf

... buy a private airplane and a speedboat.
Sean MacMillan

... buy a really nice pool table and have nightly games. I would also be a professional college student at universities all over the country.
Brian Curtis

... change my name, buy 1,000 square miles of river bottom land, go shopping at the Army-Navy store, and, "don't call me, I'll call you."
Stacy Brewer

I would buy a new home with all new furnishings. Buy my husband and I new vehicles. Put money away for the kids to go to college. Join my husband on his world tour!
Tina MacMillan

... pay off my family's debts, move to Alaska and build a very big house...a log house, that is. After my house was built I would buy all the equipment that I needed to join the Indy race car circuit and donate to needy kids who need things to do to stay out of trouble, such as scholarships.
Nick MacMillan

Let's see....how many zeros is that? Besides a big, beautiful house in the mountains and a car for me and all my friends, I would invest a lot of it so that my fortune could be passed down to my family and their families. I might start my own company or buy one. Boring, yes, but practical!
Joleen Knight

... buy a motor home and travel.
Charley Martin

... either (1) have a helipad built for my wife's new 'copter, or (2) buy health insurance. The second would have to come first, I suppose.
Vince MacMillan

... become a professional college student.
Christi Clay

Quit my job? NEVER! But I'd use my Powerball winnings to travel, especially to developing countries, and practice surgery for a month or two at a time.
Becky Knight

I've combined my travel dream and my lotto dream. I would rent a luxury sailing ship with my gazillions...then engage a charming and patient captain to teach my entire family plus assorted Knights and MacMillans the fine art of sailing. Then I would hire a clever crew to feed, entertain and pamper us. We would then shove off for a glorious year-long trip around the pleasure spots of the South Seas.
Ann Molitor

I would buy the Broncos football team, build a house in every country, pay for college, buy a new car, give money to all my relatives, and get tons of hunting stuff.
Brett Collins

... make sure my whole family could quit their jobs and give a bunch of money to the church. Second, invest big time, and third, build a new track and football field for St. Pat's High.
John Collins

... travel, see, feel, and experience the moment without having worry.
Mary Knight

... buy myself a ranch and have all different kinds of animals on it.
Cheryl Brewer

... go to Sea World!
Casey and Sarah Brewer

... faint.
Tim Knight



When I was growing up I often complained to my mother that I hadn't been able to learn to whistle. She would console me with this old adage, "whistling girls and cackling hens always come to some bad end." Now that I am approaching the end, I've quit worrying about how bad it will be, because I've never learned to whistle!

Jerri Knight

Nearing 60, I'm still whistling, but never without remembering Grandma Payton cautioning me that "a whistling girl is like a crowing hen!"

Maureen MacMillan

"Don't pick your nose. It's not good for you" - My mom.

Jonah Navarrete (MacMillan)

"A watched pot never boils." Ironically, the first person I remember saying that was my dad, one of the most impatient people I know.

Jill MacMillan

"Amor de lejos es amor de pendejos." My grandmother told me this once. It roughly translates to "long distance love is love of idiots." I like this because Jimmy and I have proven this wrong and stayed together, despite our distance (about 1,300 miles).

Jessica "Sheki" Lujan (Mora)

My grandma Jamison used to say, "A willful waste makes a woeful want."

Brian Curtis

"Eat all your veggies so you can grow big and strong." My mommy says this a lot.

Ian Clay

"You'll squeal like a pig stuck under a gate." - John Montrone

Jud Finley

My mother was always telling me, "Stay out of the buskin", when I was a little girl. 'Buskin' (spelled phonetically) is a Norwegian word which means trash, swept up. Now I tell all my children to stay out of the buskin.

Mary Knight

"Don't forget where you came from (*meaning my background and family.*) Be proud of who you are." My mother would always say that as I was growing up.

Andrea MacMillan

"Come on, blackshirts" - my dad

Evan Collins

"Let your conscience be your guide." - My mother.

Nick MacMillan

"I'm too old to remember" is an expression I heard from the old folks growing up, and one I'm afraid I'm beginning to use myself.

Joanne Knight

Grandpa Marty Gannon would say, "Close the door, were you born in a barn?"

Stormy Knight

When I was a child, Grandpa would say before putting me to bed, "early to bed, early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise."

Kathi Goodnough

Dad used to say, "Poke a shay sha danty", a Navajo expression meaning "hurry up".

Mick Knight

"Man born of woman is of few days and full of trouble", Job 14:1, often quoted by my grandfather, Foster Brewer.

Stacy Brewer

"Go to bed." - my mom

Brett Collins

"Get out of bed." - my mom

Johnny Collins

"We can choose to throw stones, stumble over them, simply ignore them, or choose to build with them?" - poster in one of my classrooms.

Robert Knight

"I love you!" - my mom.

Janetta Spaulding

