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News From Your Mortgage Planner



Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible..

— Francis of Assisi



September was a blur...



Over Labor Day we enjoyed our trailer GLAMPING in an RV Resort with a pool and dog park! It was 30 minutes from our house and 10 minutes to the beach. We spent two days on the beach enjoying the sun, playing volleyball and boogie boarding. The best part was the time spent with the girls and their best friends.

We are back into a groove with school schedules. It is an endless conversation of what is the pickup time, the drop off time, are we carpooling, should I pack snacks? And the answer is, yes you always pack snacks! I thought when we moved into the middle school/high school years we would abandon crocs (yes the shoes, they are back!), goldfish, and juice boxes. There are two best parts of my job – helping clients with financing, whether purchase or refi AND being able to have a flexible schedule to be at all the girls' events. I bought a minivan for a reason, and I love to put it to use, as many kids as we can legally allow and the louder the better. Have I mentioned I am having fun?!

Field hockey is going good for Addy, we see more progress as she learns “stick skills!” Each week I understand a little bit more of the rules and following the little ball. She is more competitive than I would have thought she would be with her soft demeanor, but she doesn't like to lose on the field hockey or the softball field.

Sammy has been focused on her new softball team and is floating between an older 12U and younger 12U team. Some weekends she will play in up to 4 games. It has been good for her to move into travel ball and get different coaching styles, practice routines and new girls to bond with. We have a tournament coming up in Yuma next month and we get to take the trailer and the dog.

In September I ran my first 5k since breaking my ankle in the summer of 2019. I ran my best time ever and enjoyed the beach scenery. It felt good to get back at it. More to come.

The holidays are upon us – the countdown begins. I wish you much joy as you plan and prep for the season. Hopefully this year the holidays can be celebrated with family from near and far. Take care.

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"Hurry, Mommy, let's go trick-or-treating!" My daughter waited by the door in her pink princess costume while I paced the living room. Usually I liked taking her out on Halloween, but this year, I was a wreck. I was worried sick about my mother, who was in China on a vacation. I got



a call that afternoon that she had slipped and fallen on the marble floor of her hotel and broken her hip. She was taken to a Beijing hospital. If only I could do something to help her!

"Mom-my..." I knew I couldn't let my worries ruin my daughter's fun. There's nothing I can do for Mom except pace and pray, I thought. The sooner my daughter filled her bag with goodies, the sooner I could get back to my pacing. A blinking red light approached through the darkness. It was a pumpkin-shaped pin attached to the coat of a man whose son I'd once given piano lessons to. "Hello there," I said, greeting him and the little cowboy at his side. "Hello," the father answered. "Having fun?" "I'm trying," I said. "Why, what's wrong?" he asked. I told him the whole story. My mother, in China, breaking her hip. Not understanding any of the doctors. "And I'm too far away to do anything!" I said.

He raised his eyebrows. "Beijing, you said?" he asked. I nodded. He pursed his lips then smiled. "Believe it or not, my sister is a doctor at an English-speaking hospital there. If you want, I'll make a call right away and we'll try and get your mom transferred." A few days later I sat on the living room floor with my daughter as she finished the last of the candy. "Mommy, how far away is China?" she asked. "Not as far as I thought," I said.



FUN FACT



"Jack o'lantern" comes from the Irish legend of Stingy Jack - Legend has it that Stingy Jack invited the devil to have a drink with him, but Jack didn't want to pay for the drink, so he convinced the devil to turn himself into a coin. Instead of buying the drink, he pocketed the coin and kept it close to a silver cross in his house, preventing the devil from taking shape again.

Mom asked dad to put some Halloween decorations up. Have to admit, he nailed it



"I don't believe people are looking for the meaning of life as much as they are looking for the experience of being alive."

— Joseph Campbell



For the Season



History of Halloween

The celebration of Halloween was extremely limited in colonial New England because of the rigid Protestant belief systems there. Halloween was much more common in Maryland and the southern colonies.

As the beliefs and customs of different European ethnic groups and the American Indians meshed, a distinctly

American version of Halloween began to emerge. The first celebrations included “play parties,” which were public events held to celebrate the harvest. Neighbors would share stories of the dead, tell each other’s fortunes, dance and sing. Colonial Halloween festivities also featured the telling of ghost stories and mischief-making of all kinds. By the middle of the 19th century, annual autumn festivities were common, but Halloween was not yet celebrated everywhere in the country.

In the second half of the 19th century, America was flooded with new immigrants. These new immigrants, especially the millions of Irish fleeing the Irish Potato Famine, helped to popularize the celebration of Halloween nationally.



“Sometimes you will never know the VALUE of a moment, until it becomes a MEMORY.”

DR. SEUSS



“Testimonial”



SEAN GREENE

Angela was an absolute dream to work with on my cash out refinance for an addition on my home. Being self employed I realize I am not the easiest client especially in a time when there are so many easier opportunities to work on for a refinance. She never shied away and was there to help guide me the entire way. I really appreciate her being willing to put in the work to get this done and would have no hesitation recommending anyone to Angela.



Welcome to the Family

Josh Parmenter – friend & amazing electrician

Lisa Shelton – referral from industry peer

I love recognizing new friends and existing clients who are kind enough to introduce their friends, family, and neighbors to us.



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