

# Weekly Message Weekly Message



Greetings special friends,  
We are only a few days from Easter and a few days into spring and the weather cannot make up it's mind to be warm or cold. It looks like Texas will get a little cold snap this weekend and other parts of the country may have a blizzard!

Here are some thoughts for the day:

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**“There is no one else who can ever fill your role in the same way,  
so it’s a good idea to perform it as well as possible.”**

**Humphry Osmond (1917-2004), psychiatrist**  
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**“The poor man is not he who is without a cent,  
but he who is without a dream.”**

**Harry Kemp (1883-1960), poet**  
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**“I don’t believe in failure. It is not failure if you enjoyed the process.”**

**Oprah Winfrey**  
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**“To work in the world lovingly means that we are defining what we will  
be *for*, rather than reacting to what we are against.”**

**Christina Baldwin, writer and educator**  
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We are delighted to be hosting two Japanese teams at our Nationals/Internationals April 1st and 2nd at the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas. There will be over 125+ teams competing for national and international titles. Make sure to watch next week for the final schedule to be posted to our Contest page.

I had a few chuckles when I came across the “Facts of Life” below. Even though all of you are not getting old, your parents, teachers, grandparents, etc. certainly are moving right along in life. I am sure that everyone can relate in some way.

Have a wonderful Easter weekend, and, as always, please *keep in touch*.

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*Sincerely,*

*Joyce E. Pennington, Pres. CEO*

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## FACTS OF LIFE



- 1) Raising teenagers is like nailing JELL-O to a tree.
- 2) There is always a lot to be thankful for, if you take the time to look.

For example, I'm sitting here thinking how nice it is that wrinkles don't hurt.

- 3) The best way to keep kids at home is to make a pleasant atmosphere and let the air out of their tires.
- 4) Families are like fudge . . . mostly sweet, with a few

nuts.

- 5) Today's mighty oak is just yesterday's nut that held its ground.
- 6) Laughing helps. It's like jogging on the inside.
- 7) Middle age is when you choose your cereal for the fiber, not for the toy.
- 8) My mind not only wanders; sometimes it leaves completely.
- 9) If you can remain calm, you just don't have all the facts.
- 10) You know you're getting old when you stoop to tie your shoes and wonder what else you can do while you're down there.