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Quote: When you forgive, you in no way change the past – but you sure do change the future.

Bernard Meltzer (Former US radio host)



Don Killingbeck

My Big Goodbye!

I can't believe it. The last 5 years flew by like a flash. In jest I have said I must have been abducted by aliens who wiped out some of my memories making time fly.

I hit the big 65 in April and decided to retire and take some time for my wife and myself before my Parkinson's worsens.

During tax season, I asked clients how retirement was for them. About a third said they wish they hadn't retired generally due to lack of something to do, missing being around people and not having enough money.

The other two thirds replied with such answers as: they were busier than before they retired, "The best thing that ever happened," you need to have a plan, or the plan didn't work out - you have to be flexible.

I get asked what I am going to do when I retire. I have several hobbies I haven't had enough time for: flower gardening inside (high intensity lights) and out. I also am a modeler. I have created a model of Denver's Union Station.

Let me say in MY BIG GOODBYE I have really enjoyed working with you on your insurance or taxes. I will miss you!

And the \$600 Winner Is....

This month we recognize **David & Melinda Madden** as the grand prize \$600 winners of the tax referral drawing.



Are You Client of the Month?

Even if your name doesn't appear below please accept our heartfelt thanks for your support. We truly appreciate it!

\$100 referral reward for April– May is Darrin Jury

Runner ups received a \$10 gift of their choice: Janet Guy, Nancy Warner, Richard Wright, Kris Dill, Angie McDaniel, and Jennifer Haworth.

A Big Thank You to All From the Killingbeck Family.

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Bright Ideas: Tips and News Snippets for a Better, Safer Life



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Fire Mistakes

Talking of mistakes & misjudgments, the American Red Cross warned that many people overestimate their ability to react to a home fire and so miss critical steps to protect their loved ones and themselves. Home fires are the most common disasters people face. Every day, home blazes claim the lives of more than 7 people in North America. Experts say people have as little as two minutes to escape a fire, while most of us believe we have much more time.



Doug Killingbeck



Avoid Romaine Lettuce Dangers

When it comes to protecting your leafy greens from bacteria, vinegar is your friend. A recent outbreak of the E. coli bacterial infection from romaine lettuce has highlighted the importance of ensuring you wash your greens, no matter where you buy them, even if it's in a package that declares the items have already been washed. Separate the leaves. In a bowl, add one cup of distilled vinegar to three cups of water. Stir. Dip the leaves in the solution and then rinse under running water.



Amy Bangs



Facebook & Your Private Data

Are you worried by recent disclosures about the way your personal data may be stored and used by Facebook? Because of past confusion and misunderstanding, many people have unwittingly allowed the company to store information about their personal activities. You can check what information Facebook has stored by going to "settings" on the site. On the "General" tab, click on "download a copy of your Facebook data." For more information on this and how to delete your data, see: <https://tinyurl.com/fb-delete-data>



Laura Bianco



Recalled Portable Power Packs

Portable power packs selling under the AmazonBasics brand are being recalled by the online retailer because of fears they can overheat. The firm says it's received 53 reports of overheating including one instance of someone suffering chemical burns and is asking 260,000 buyers in Canada and the US to return their products. More details at: tinyurl.com/amzn-power-packs



Cara Fruehling

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Protect Your Smart TV from Hackers

Any device that's connected to the Internet is vulnerable to hacking. If someone gets access to your smart TV, they could cause havoc -- from switching channels to stealing payment information for apps or installing ransomware.

If you think someone has gained access to your smart TV, the simplest solution is to perform a factory reset.

You can reduce the risk of a hack attack by setting a password that will prevent hackers accessing other parts of your home network.

WIN! WIN! WIN! Not-So-Trivial Pursuit

This month's Trivia Contest offers you a chance to win a \$10 Gift of Your Choice. Test your knowledge! You could be the winner.

Write down your name and answer, and then email don.killingbeck@gmail.com or fax 765-452-2995 or mail to PO Box 2946, Kokomo, IN 46904.

Last Month's Winner: Congratulations! The winner of the tie breaker drawing was **David Krause**. Good Job to all!

This month's question:

Where is Kruger National Park? Why is it significant?

Last month's question: Which is the southernmost city in Canada and the northernmost city in the U.S.?
Answer: Windsor, Ontario for Canada. In the US, Barrow, Alaska.