

Search for treasures, company changes

By Linda Wilk

As tradition would go, I participated in the Upland Town Rummages again this past weekend. However, with a twist – due in part to the Corona Virus and importance of social distancing and in part to see how much I might find on a Friday, I took the day off work to go rummaging.

It was certainly different. There were not the crowds of shoppers as has been the norm for the 30 years I have attended the rummages. I also did not have to navigate through tight roads as cars were parked on both side of the road with cars trying to drive both directions at the same time. I did have to watch for golf carts who would sometimes come out of nowhere.

Overall, it was once again a great experience. There were plenty of rummages to attend, with of course the nagging question of had I waited until Saturday, would there have been more. Or did I get the best pick of those that were open.



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Another benefit of going Friday instead of Saturday was I was able to go to the Y and participate in both spin and yoga classes, which had I rummaged on Saturday, it would have been too late to do all that before heading to Upland.

What I rummage for has changed over the years, as well as who I have rummaged with. In the very beginning when I first moved to Marion and learned of the town wide rummage through work, I went more as a

spectator than a shopper. I was fascinated by all that people would put out for sale. Then for a couple years I went with a co-worker who was a force to see in action as she knew how to dicker for prices.

I on the other hand tend to be one who just pays the sticker price, occasionally being brave and asking for a small reduction.

When we started having children my focus on what I bought of course turned to baby clothes and toddler clothes, which I always came home with a trunk full of items, which saved us lots of money over the years.

Then there was the time frame that my neighbor accompanied me, while his wife or another neighbor watched our children. That worked out well until his wife and their first born decided to come. It just slowed down the process too much, so eventually I just decided to go myself.

As the girls got older, yet not old enough to

rummage and keep up, Larry began taking them to work with him. The memories they now share about going to work with Larry are priceless.

At that time, he worked at Purgatory Golf Course in Noblesville. You can see the course as you drive along Ind. 37 South. They said they would fall asleep on the way, wake up long enough to choose a donut at a gas station and then wake up again as they neared an elk preserve, before finally staying awake once they got to the golf course.

Once at the course they followed Larry around like little ducklings as he changed cups, watered the course and just did light maintenance. Before heading home, they each got to do a little golfing too. Larry had bought a junior sized set of golf clubs that allowed them to pretend to golf like their dad.

Of course, as they got older, first Laura and then Andrea and Marissa had the opportunity to go along with me to rummage. There was the un-

derstanding, however, that I liked to walk and would park the car and walk through a neighborhood or two before returning to the car.

The Upland rummages have served me well for assisting in equipping Laura with a very nice leather couch, all kinds of kitchen utensils and a table and chairs.

This year my hunt was for wall hangings to decorate the newly emptied bedroom that is now my exercise room. I had much success, as well as found additional pots and pans and cooking utensils for the girls.

You never know what you might find at a rummage, as they say one person's trash is another person's treasure and for me, I would say that about says it all.

So, if you find yourself unsure of what to do a particular summer weekend or Labor Day weekend, find out when the area town rummages are and have yourself a walk, you just might find that treasure you didn't even know you wanted.

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Danny Owings
1943-2020

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Tuesday, September 8 at 2 pm. Burial followed at Marion National Cemetery at a later date.

Vera Dot Sellers
1934-2020

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, Storey Chapel, on Tuesday, September 8 at 12 pm. Burial followed

Flavius B. Lhamon
1928-2020

Funeral services were held at Eastview Wesleyan Church, Gas City, on Saturday, September 5 at 1 pm. Burial followed at Riverside Cemetery.

Corey Wayne Costelow
1988-2020

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, Storey Chapel, on Tuesday, September 8 at 6 pm.

George Lloyd Cooper
1943-2020

Funeral services were held at Sunnycrest Baptist Church, Marion, on Friday, September 4 at 12 pm. Burial followed at La Fontaine Cemetery.

Reverend Ernest "Ernie" L. Laughner
1944-2020

Funeral services were held at Armes-Hunt Funeral Home, Fairmount, on Thursday, September 10 at 1 pm.

Louis Ron Calaway
1936-2020

There will be no funeral services, and cremation will take place.

Linda Beeman
1949-2020

Funeral services were held at Raven-Choate Funeral Home, Marion, on Saturday, September 5 at 12 pm. Burial will follow at Grant Memorial Park.

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