



Today I was reminded of the importance of making memories with your family – whatever your family looks like. Whether its with kids, grandkids, foster kids or neighbor kids, we as adults have the opportunity to create those memories and in the future become treasured people in their past.

I attended the Celebration of Life for a dear neighbor and was treated to family stories, adventures and great memories of their children and grandchildren. Great stories of childhood summer adventures, college escapades and memories of a faithful and comforting dad.


These stories reminded me of my childhood and the adventures with family and friends. These adventures were made possible by adults in my life who took the time to “make” these memories for my siblings and me. Adult family and friends gave of their time to create what are now treasured memories of summer camping, visits with extended family and holiday traditions.

At the next opportunity to spend time with friends, family or neighbors – take it! Just think of the memories you are making!

Quote of the week:

Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened. – Dr. Seuss

Happenings this week:

 **Today through Sunday, August 14th - August 17th:** The Southwest Washington Fair! Make some summer memories – visit the fair. Go to <http://southwestwashingtonfair.net/fair-events/2014-fair-entertainment>

Saturday, August 16th: Geology Walk Saturday at Seminary Hill Will

Conclude Season's Activities. Geologist Jim Ward and his wife, Patty, will dig down into the rocky history of Seminary Hill and the valleys nearby — including downtown Centralia — at 10 a.m. Saturday during this year's final free guided nature activity at the Seminary Hill Natural Area. To learn more, email GoSeminaryHill@gmail.com or visit www.facebook.com/SeminaryHill or www.twitter.com/goseminaryhill.

Weather: Well this has really been the story of the week. It was a sizzling 100 degrees on Monday, followed by rain and cooler days. The forecast is for cloudy weather today and tomorrow and then back to the 80's by Sunday. We still have a bit of summer left I think! ❌