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IN OUR 71ST YEAR - JULY 1993



# **0000HS**. AAAAHS. & OHS!



For the seventh year American Insurance Agency is a major sponsor of "Oooohs, Aaaaahs, & Ohs!" at the Community Spirit 4th of July Fireworks Celebration. The Sullivans and staff here at American Insurance Agency hope your entire family enjoys the show.

#### **NEW ENTERTAINMENT, FOOD & FUN**

Adam's Field at Clarkston High School is the place to be for great entertainment, food and fun for the whole family. Please turn to page two to find out the schedule on Sunday, July 4th and for more details.

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# CUTTING MEDICAL INSURANCE COSTS





The cost of medical care has become so expensive that medical insurance premiums are beyond the reach of some individuals. The rest of us are insured but the cost is a significant and burdensome outlay.

If you have had to make significant use of your insurance in the last three years or have a chronic medical condition your options to reduce insurance costs are very limited. But if you are reasonably healthy there are some steps you can take to reduce rates.

# TAKE A CLOSE LOOK AT INDIVIDUAL PLANS

Individual medical plans in most cases are actually lower in cost than group plans. This may

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# Sullivan's AMERICAN INSURANCE AGENCY SERVICES:

## Personal Coverages

- Automobile & Motorcycles
  A Homeowners, Mobile Homes & Renters
- Motorhomes, Boats & Travel Trailers
- ▲ Liability Personal Umbrella ▲ Duplex - Rental Homes

# **Business Coverages**

- A Business Auto
- A Packages Policies Save Money
  - Retailers & Contractors
- Manufacturers & Service
- A Property & Liability

  Workers Compensation & Bonds
- **▲** Farms

#### **Benefits**

- ▲ Life Insurance
- ▲ Disability & Medical
- ▲ Medicare Supplements
- Group Insurance Benefits
   Individual Retirement Accounts
- ▲ CD's/Annuities **A** Mutual Funds

## No Cost Services

- A Photocopying A Fax Machine Use 208-746-9640 A Toll Free Calling 800-735-6355

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# **Community Spirit 4th Of July** Fireworks Celebration Schedule:

5:00pm: BBQ Chicken Dinners \$4.50 from the Clarkston Chamber served at Vernon Park

6:00pm: Adams Field gates open to the public. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets to sit on the field or in the stands. (A donation to Community Spirit is requested). Concessions (hamburgers, hotdogs, pop & candy) will be served inside. BIG air filled jumping room for

7:30pm: Community Concert Band will play your favorite marches and patriotic songs. 8:45pm: Chris Driesbach performs on stage.

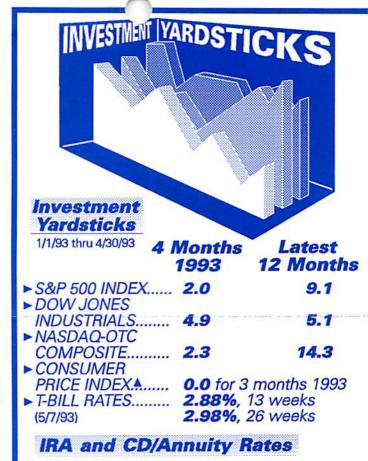
Great music, impersonations, and fun! 10:00pm: Independence Day Fireworks Display with 725 shells (50 more in finale than

last year).

Buy your safe & sane fireworks from Community Spirit and the Clarkston VFW at two locations - Bridge Street at Darling fuel across from Gateway Plaza and at Food City on Appleside in the Clarkston Heights. Proceeds help fund the big fireworks show.

Corporate sponsors fund about 60% of the big fireworks show. You can help make the show bigger and better by sponsoring a shell too. An "Ooooh!" is \$10 for a 2" shell. An "Aaaah!" is \$15 for a 3" firework shell. And an "Oh!" is \$25 for a 4" finale shell. Please make your donations to...

> Community Spirit, P.O. Box 235 Clarkston, WA 99403.



Current rates guaranteed 12 months

Rate ► CD-1..... 5.50% ► CD-III..... 5.75% ► CD-V...... 6.25%

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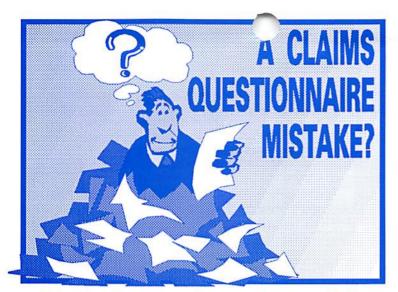
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You buy insurance to pay claims. Perhaps you're one of the lucky ones who has never experienced a claim and can only imagine what it is like. If you have a vivid imagination you may think your claim would be a "horror movie"! Well you can stop biting your nails after you see what American Insurance Agency customers said about their claims.

We apparently made a mistake on the CLAIM SATISFACTION QUESTIONNAIRE that we send to every claimant after their claim is settled. We asked - Was our office courteous, prompt, and efficient in taking care of your claim...?

#### \_\_GOOD \_\_FAIR \_\_POOR

I guess the above were not sufficient choices because claimants routinely added their own blank... 

EXCELLENT!

And comments like ...

"Helen has alv." done excellent work for us. She is very courteous, prompt, and always very happy to answer our questions and help us. We appreciate your excellent service."

**Ron and Kim Kottkey** 

\*Excellent! If you ever lose Tina you will lose a great asset!"

**James and Judy Higgins** 

I am amazed how easy the claim process is after the many stories I heard. Your company is professional and very easy to work with."

**Matthew and Elizabeth Lysne** 

"I am very pleased with the prompt, courteous service I received. Thank you."

Frances Pederson

\*Very good. Prompt/efficient the way it should bell Dr. James Fisher

As always Tina is timely and puts us at ease with her professional service."

**Rick and Pat Gallardo** 

\*\*Prompt and very good. Settlement was quick.\*\*
W.E. Van Vranken

\*Excellent! Very courteous. Tina is a wonderful person. I couldn't have a better insurance agency."

**Donna Campbell** 

The effusive praise has left Tina and Helen red faced and very thankful for the kind words. The fact is out of the 40 Claims Questionnaires returned so far in 1993 not one negative comment about our agency. Wow!

Well, I'm sure we'll get a poor grade on a claim eventually. 'Cause we ain't perfect!' But, when we do be assured we will go out of our way to make it right - and that's a promise we aim to keep

everyday!

# CUTTING COSTS - Continued From Page 1 -

surprise you but the reason is clear. Many group plans must accept an employee or dependent regardless of current health. There are also state mandated benefits like pregnancy coverage that must be provided. Despite the coverage differences an individual medical plan may be the most affordable solution for cost.

EXAMPLE: Your employer covers you with group insurance but you must pay the cost of group insurance on your dependents. The group

insurance premium for dependents may be very high compared to an individual plan. Switching to an individual medical plan for your dependents may reduce your costs.

# CHECK YOUR RATES & OPTIONS EVERY 3 YEARS

Even if you are currently covered by an individual medical plan you should check out your options at least every three years. New plans are continually offered. Nonsmokers are now offered discounts on many plans. Your current plan may be loaded down with insureds that make big claims that are driving up

your rates. You may be able to switch plans and save money.

#### FOR MSB OR BLUE CROSS OF IDAHO CALL US!

Let our Benefits Department review your situation and make a recommendation before you do anything. The review is absolutely free and independent of company bias. Let us represent your needs to MSB or Blue Cross. There is no cost or fee. The rates are the same even if you go direct to the company. Our knowledge of available medical plans and underwriting requirements has saved clients hundreds of dollars even within the same medical company.

# FOR YOUR LETTERS!

Every month Sullivan's American Insurance Agency receives letters of praise and occassionally problems from our clients. We appreciate your correspondence, which is a wonderful indicator for letting us know how we're servicing your insurance needs. Whether its giving you professional advise on your insurance and benefit program, handling your claims quickly and efficiently or just listening to your needs and concerns - we promise to make service and sincerity a priority.



# DAVE ROOT -YOUR COMMERCIAL LINES CONNECTION



A Profile

When it comes to getting to the "Root" of business insurance problems, concerns and other insurance needs - Sullivan's American Insurance has the answer for your business: Dave Root - our Business Insurance Specialist!

Dave has been part of the American Insurance Agency team as Commercial Lines Agent since September, 1987 and is committed to providing quality customer service. "I practice the philosophy of Sullivan's American Insurance - to always put the clients needs as the top and only priority," said Dave. "Everything else falls into place from there."

#### I ALWAYS PUT THE CLIENTS NEEDS AS THE TOP AND ONLY PRIORITY

Thanks to American's commitment to his insurance education, Dave is fully aware of the whole gamut of Insurance Risk Management and is an expert at commercial lines coverages. "From packaging policies to save money to assisting with workers compensation, bonding - I try to make it easy for my clients to do business through American Insurance Agency."

Dave takes time out of his busy schedule with American to serve on the Board of Directors for the Lewiston Chamber of Commerce and enjoys golf, basketball and outdoor recreation. He and his wife Jody have two daughters, Cindi and Debbie.





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