Advice from Perot

Billionaire H. Ross Perot was once quoted in *Fortune* magazine: "Guys, just remember, if you get real lucky, if you make a lot of money, if you go out and buy a lot of stuff -- it's gonna break. You got your biggest, fanciest mansion in the world. It has air conditioning. It's got a pool. Just think of all the pumps that are going to go out.

"Or go to a yacht basin any place in the world. Nobody is smiling, and I'll tell you why. Something broke that morning. The generator's out; the microwave oven doesn't work. Things just don't mean happiness."

That's good advice from one of the world's wealthiest men: Things just don't mean happiness. Relationships -- if we treat one another with love and concern -- are what really matters. Those are the situations, the events, the thoughtfulness that grow out of them that produce happiness.

We've learned that in the centers of Life Care and American Lifestyles, and in the work of Life Care at Home. The professional services we deliver with a compassionate attitude, the touch of a hand, a warm embrace, and a smile of encouragement to someone struggling with an issue are all important to the receiver.

But the giver is blessed with a radiant heart. And it shows in the skip of a step and a glow on the face.

--Beecher Hunter