

Little Things

What are the really important matters in life? What are the indicators of success? Well, every person would have different answers to those questions. It's safe to say, however, that many people spend too much time chasing "stuff" rather than seeking that which brings the most enjoyment.

Recently, I read an advertisement prepared and published by United Technologies Corporation of Hartford, Conn., in 1982. It makes a lot of sense to me. Here it is:

Most of us miss out on life's big prizes:

- The Pulitzer
- The Nobel
- The Oscars
- The Tonys
- The Emmys

But we're all eligible for life's small pleasures:

- A pat on the back
- A kiss behind the ear
- A four-pound bass
- A full moon
- An empty parking space
- A crackling fire
- A great meal
- A glorious sunset
- Hot soup

Don't fret about copping life's grand awards. Enjoy its tiny delights. There are plenty for all of us.

And to all of that, I add, "Amen."

--Beecher Hunter