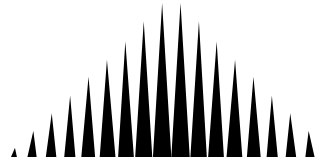


Remember—  
Our office is open year-  
round.

Please know that we are here  
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## NOVEMBER 2011

### Thanksgiving....

Thanksgiving is a celebration of a plentiful harvest that most of us refer to as Turkey Day! This is the one day of the year that we can sit down, enjoy a turkey dinner with all of the trimmings and not worry about how much we eat! After dinner, we retire to our most comfortable chair and enjoy some Thursday afternoon football or settle into a little nap. We hope that you enjoy a safe and happy holiday weekend with family and friends.



Each year as December 31 draws near, we are bombarded by requests for donations. Many of us answer those solicitations by giving to our favorite charities.

Remember to keep good records by getting receipts that state the date, the item you have donated and monetary value. This will make deducting it on your taxes a much easier task.



### Important Dates to Remember

November 6th - Daylight Savings Time ends

November 8th - Election Day

November 11th - Veterans Day - Observed

November 24th - Thanksgiving Day

### 11 a lucky number?

It all started on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918. The signing of armistice between Germany and Allied forces during WWI. Now this day is called Veterans day and this year the date of 11-11-11 at 11am there will activities to dedicate our thanks to all veterans for our freedom.

**HAVE YOU THANKED A VETERAN LATELY????**

# Ideas for Financial Planning

When it comes to financial planning, you have lots of options. You have to decide what options are best for you. The best way for you to start is to take your time, do your own research, ask as many questions as necessary to satisfy your inquisitiveness, and seek the advice of a professional.

If you are considering an investment in stocks or a business, it would be a good idea to research the past performance of the potential investment and to look into its future prospects. You have to decide how much risk you are willing to chance. If a stock has a history of performing poorly, is this investment worth the risk?

Lower risk investments include options such as savings accounts, certificates of deposit, savings bonds, and there are other options offered by secured financial institutions.

For those of us to live pay check to pay check, we can find ways to save for our fu-

ture as well. One method is to create a budget and reduce our spending as much as possible. Take the savings from the reduced spending and put that into a savings account.

Considering the current state of our economy, learning to invest, making hard decisions, and changing our lifestyle are not options to ignore.

No one can predict the future, but there are indicators that we can observe that can help prepare us for the next economic downturn. If we plan properly, we can prepare ourselves for that inevitable event.

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## An IRS Warning about e-mails

The IRS wants everyone to know that they **DO NOT** send unsolicited e-mails to taxpayers requesting sensitive personal or financial information.

Nevertheless, taxpayers do receive e-mails claiming to

come from the IRS, sometimes containing a real or made-up employee name, address, and similar information to make the e-mail seem credible.

Typically, IRS impersonation scam e-mails state that the IRS needs certain information to process a tax return, a tax payment, or perhaps a refund. They often claim that the recipient is being audited. The e-mails often contain links to attachments to what appears to be the IRS website or an IRS form; however genuine in appearance, these phonies are designed to elicit the information that scammers are looking to acquire.

These e-mails are normally a scam with the intent of obtaining personal information such as your name, social security number, bank account numbers, credit card number or any other information that could aid them in stealing your identity.

Should you receive one of these e-mails, please report it to the IRS at [phishing@irs.gov](mailto:phishing@irs.gov).

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**Please contact our office for more tax saving ideas.  
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