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The Fungus Among Us --- Mildew-Mold-Fungus

All you ever wanted to know and then some

We have all seen it, Black, brown, yellow even white nasty stuff growing in our bathrooms, on clothing in our closet, even on the outside of our house and roof. It even infiltrates areas we cannot see like air ducts, remote attic or basement spaces, or wall cavities.

Where does it come from and how do we rid ourselves of it.

Algae is a primitive organism that contains chlorophyll and carry on photosynthesis but lacks true roots. There are approximately 25,000 known species of algae in existence. Although algae are not fungus, they closely resemble fungi in appearance. Because algae contain chlorophyll, they are able to manufacture their own food. Therefore, they are the most difficult to eliminate. Algae grow and multiply in moist environments.

Fungi are the broad classification of spore producing organisms usually classified as plants that lack chlorophyll. Fungi include molds, mildews, rusts, smuts, mushrooms and yeasts. There are approximately 50,000 known species of fungi in existence. Fungi live in many types of environments. They thrive in moist, tropical climates. Fungi do not contain chlorophyll and, therefore, cannot manufacture their own food. Fungi maintain their existence by absorbing the minerals, sugars and water from the host on which they live. Fungi use spores as a reproductive mechanism. The wind scatters the spores which then establish and develop into new fungi.

Mildew is the name for certain organisms and the plant diseases they cause, and the discoloration and disintegration of materials caused by fungi. It does not contain chlorophyll and, therefore, cannot manufacture its own food. Its growth is encouraged by high humidity and limited air circulation. It frequently attacks exterior painted surfaces which provide a food source. Mildew forms as tiny dark spots (usually brown, purple or black) which result in an unattractive, dirty appearance.

Molds are a member of the fungi family. Molds do not contain chlorophyll and, therefore, cannot produce their own food. Molds can live off of a tremendous variety of food sources as well as reproduce in large quantities. Mold spores travel through the indoor and outdoor air continually. When mold spores land on a damp spot indoors, they may begin growing and digesting whatever they are growing on in order to survive. There are molds that can grow on wood, paper, carpet, and foods. When excessive moisture or water accumulates indoors, mold growth will often occur, particularly if the moisture problem remains undiscovered or un-addressed. ❖

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Did You Know..

Thanksgiving was a centuries-old tradition held by most cultures around the world. After the autumn harvest, communities held 3-day-long feasts, sharing meat, bread and beer. Today, Thanksgiving is known best as a US public holiday.

Turkey is the traditional dish for the Thanksgiving feast. In the US, about 280 million turkeys are sold for the Thanksgiving celebrations. There is no official reason or declaration for the use of turkey. They just happened to be the most plentiful meat available at the time of the first Thanksgiving in 1621, starting the tradition. ❖

Music About 2.4 billion CDs are sold annually. The number of recorded CDs and blank CDs sold has been about equal. About one-third of recorded CDs are pirated. ❖

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HANDY TIPS

Easy Deviled Eggs

Put cooked egg yolks in a zip lock bag. Seal. Mash till they are all broken up. Add remainder of ingredients, reseal, keep mashing it up mixing thoroughly, cut the tip of the baggy, squeeze mixture into egg. Just throw bag away when done, easy clean up. ❖

Newspaper Weeds Away

Start putting in your plants, work the nutrients in your soil. Wet newspapers put layers around the plants overlapping as you go cover with mulch and forget about weeds. Weeds will get through some gardening plastic; they will not get through wet newspapers. ❖

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for reading our *Between Friends* personal newsletter. We wanted to produce a newsletter that has fun content and is valuable and beneficial to you. Your constructive feedback is always welcome.

AND... whether you're thinking of buying, selling, or investing in real estate, or just want to call and say "Hi," We'd love to hear from you...

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What is the significance of the eye and the pyramid on the back of the one-dollar bill?

The eye and the pyramid shown on the reverse side of the one-dollar bill are in the Great Seal of the United States. The Great Seal was first used on the reverse of the one-dollar Federal Reserve note in 1935. The Department of State is the official keeper of the Seal.



They believe that the most accurate explanation of a pyramid on the Great Seal is that it symbolizes strength and durability. The unfinished pyramid means that the United States will always grow, improve and build. In addition, the "All-Seeing Eye" located above the pyramid suggests the importance of divine guidance in favor of the American cause. The inscription ANNUIT COEPTIS translates as "He (God) has favored our undertakings," and refers to the many instances of Divine Providence during our Government's formation. In addition, the inscription NOVUS ORDO SECLORUM translates as "A new order of the ages," and signifies a new American era. ❖

Who Are the Millionaires?

by Brian Tracy

The way you think about money will determine how much of it you accumulate more than any other factor. Your attitude toward money affects your emotions and your motivations.

The Five Ways to Become a Millionaire If you are really serious about becoming wealthy, you will want to know the five main ways fortunes are made in this country. Number one, top of the list, top of the hit parade throughout the history of America, is self-owned businesses. It is entrepreneurship of all kinds, including in real estate. Seventy-four percent of self-made millionaires in America, not only in this generation and in this century, but in the last century as well, come from self-owned businesses.

How Wealthy People Start Out The great majority of wealthy people started businesses and built them from the ground up. In the 19th century, fortunes were built by people like Andrew Carnegie, Jacob van Astor, Thomas Edison, Commodore Vanderbilt, J. P. Morgan and others. In the 20th century, especially in the last few years, businesses and fortunes alike have been built by people like Bill Gates, Steve Case, Larry Ellison, Ross Perot and Sam Walton. Each of these people started with nothing and succeeded in building a business from scratch.

Become a Millionaire Where You Are The second major source of self-made millionaires in America is senior executives. Ten percent of the self-made millionaires in America are men and women who have joined large corporations and worked with those corporations for many years. They rose to positions of seniority, were paid extremely well, given stock options, profit sharing and bonuses. As a result of holding onto the money, they became millionaires.

Success Pays Big Rewards Michael Eisner of Disney Corporation received a \$126 million dollar bonus in a single year. Lee Iacocca of Chrysler Corporation was paid \$26.7 million dollars as a bonus in a single year. It's not hard to become a self-made millionaire when you are making that kind of money.

The Professional Road to Wealth The third source of self-made millionaires in America is doctors, lawyers and other professionals. Men and women who become very good at what they do and rise to the top of their professions are eventually paid very well. The top five percent in every field earn 10 and 20 times as much as the average person in that field.

Sell Your Way to the Top The fourth major source of self-made millionaires in America are salespeople and sales consultants. Fully five percent of self-made

millionaires are men and women who are the top salespeople in their fields. They never started their own businesses. They never went to college or university to get professional degrees. They just became very good salespeople for their products or services and were paid very good money. The secret was that they then invested the money conservatively and held on to it. Ninety-nine percent (99%) of self-made millionaires come from these four categories: self-owned businesses - 74 percent; senior executive positions - 10 percent; doctors, lawyers and other professionals - 10 percent; and salespeople and sales consultants - 5 percent.

Other Ways to Get Rich The final one percent of self-made millionaires is made up of all the people in all other areas. This one percent consists of people who have made their money by inventions, in show business, in sports, through authorship of books and songs, lottery winners and inheritances. But these people make up only one percent of the total. The bottom line is that there are

so many ways for you to become a self-made millionaire that it is almost impossible for you not to achieve this goal if you are really serious about it.

Action Exercises

Here are two things you can do to put this information into action as soon as possible. First, decide what it is you really enjoy doing and then throw your whole heart into doing it extremely well. There is a direct relationship between excellent performance and the kind of high income that leads to financial independence. Second, be perfectly honest with yourself on an ongoing basis. Is what you are doing right now going to lead you to financial independence, or do you have to begin making some serious changes in your work and in your life? Whatever your answer, take action on it immediately. ❖

Healthy Turkey-Biscuit Pies

Ingredients:	2 green onions, rinsed & chopped
6 buttermilk biscuits (make them yourself or used pre-made)	4 carrots, peeled and sliced
3 cups turkey, diced	1 cup milk
¼ cup unbleached flour	½ cup chicken broth
1 Tbsp olive oil	1 cup frozen green peas
1 Tbsp butter or margarine	2 Tbsp chopped parsley
	1 tsp salt and ½ tsp pepper

Preheat oven to 250° - warm biscuits in oven for about ten minutes. Mix turkey, flour, salt and pepper in a bowl and set aside. In a large skillet, over medium heat, heat the olive oil and butter until the butter melts. Reduce heat and add the green onions and carrots, stirring for about five minutes. Add milk and chicken broth; raise heat and bring to a low boil. Simmer for about ten minutes. Add salt and pepper to taste. Add turkey mixture, peas and parsley to the skillet, and simmer until thoroughly heated. Remove biscuits from oven and split in half. Put the bottom halves on dinner plates, spoon turkey mixture over biscuits, and cover each with the top half of the biscuit. ❖

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