

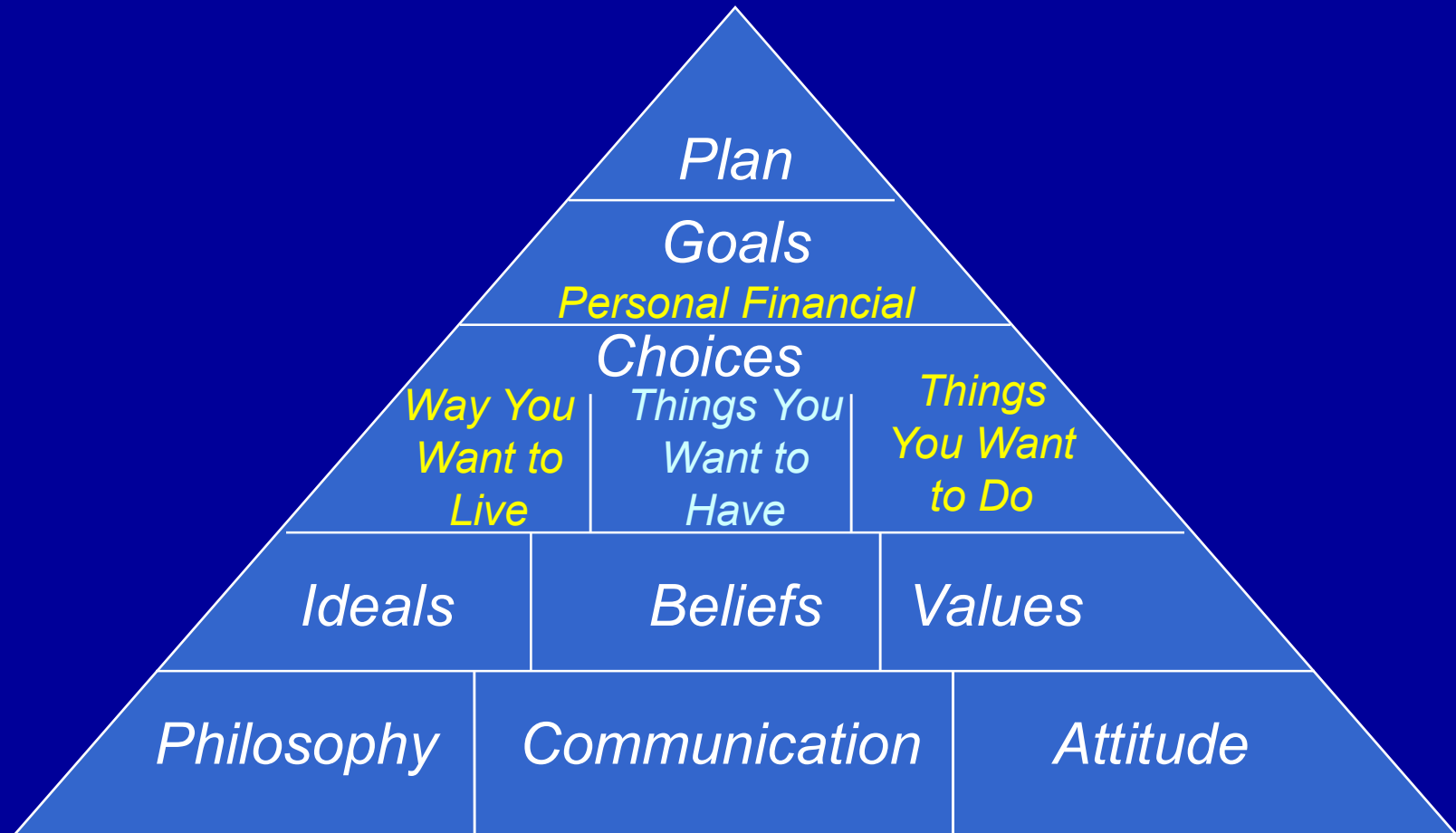
Select Slides from the Personal Financial Management Course

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If you need to contact Amy to reschedule a class or to ask a
finance or credit related question from class.

- The average American has a financial emergency once every 18 months!
- The use of credit or the incurring of debt is prohibited while in Chapter 13.

YOUR Plan is YOUR Decision....



Components of Good Money Management

2 - SET S.M.A.R.T. GOALS

- Specific
- Measurable
- Attainable
- Relevant
- Time-related

TAKE ACTION:

1. Name your savings goal – enthusiasm
2. Share you savings goal – 10x more likely to succeed
3. Review/modify – savings increased 20%

Inventory your business

Write down everything you spend every day for one month.

The FOUNDATION of Money Management is spending LESS than you make regardless of the amount!



Where does your money go?

- Write down every time money is spent, even on the smallest things.

pop	0.60
gas	50.26
co-worker fundraiser	6.50
grocery store	37.89
school lunches	20.00

STEPS TO BUDGETING

1. Create or begin a \$1000 ER fund – as little as \$3.00/day!
2. Track EVERYTHING
3. Determine if Fixed, Periodic or Variable
4. Concentrate on Variable FIRST – decide what to TRIM
5. Look to FIXED – if re-evaluating – use spending plan %'s
(on next slide)
6. Compare net income to expenses – AGAIN
7. If still a deficit – increase income or TRACK again

Spending Plan %'s

Mortgage/Rent divided by NET income SHOULD NOT equal more than .3 or 30%

Auto Expenses (include monthly payment, gas, upkeep) divided by NET income SHOULD NOT equal more than .2 or 20%

Food (include grocery/eating out/snacks) SHOULD NOT equal more than .15 or 15%

TOTAL of these SHOULD NOT be more than .65 or 65%

35% left over for . . .

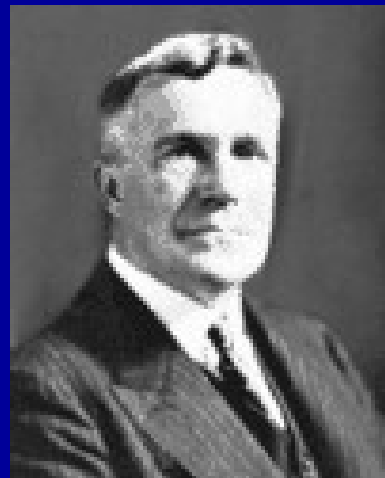
debt payments	ideal ... 5%
savings	ideal ... 10%
utilities	ideal ... 5%
medical	ideal ... 3%

13% for clothing
kids
fun and miscellaneous

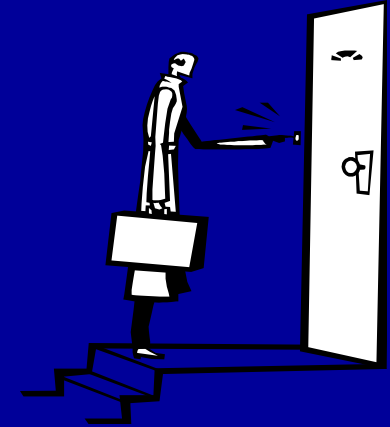
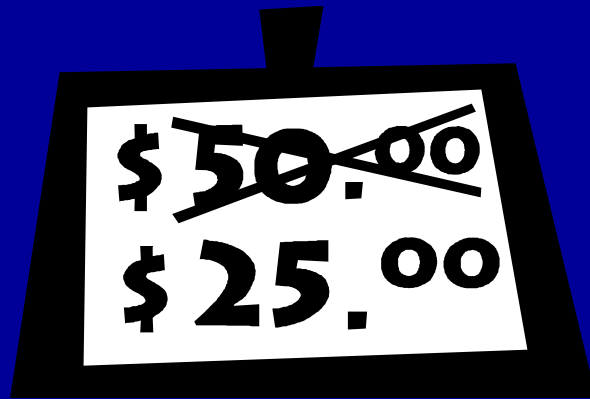
“It’s good to have money and the things that money can buy, but it’s good too, to make sure you haven’t lost the things that money can’t buy”

George Horace Lorimer

Editor, Saturday Evening Post 1899-1937



Buyer Beware!



Additional Resources

www.freecycle.org

www.leavedebtbehind.com

www.thinkyourwaytowealth.com

www.mint.com

www.mvelopes.com

Interesting Fact:

The USDA claims the average US family wastes over \$3000/yr in food that goes bad!

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Recent Equifax Breach:

www.equifaxsecurity2017.com

Credit Score - FICO

- Most creditors use FICO www.myFICO.com
- 350-850
- Average American's score is 678
- Not too long ago . . . Average Score Coming out of a Ch 13 is between 350 and 500
- November 2016 – 604

According to Experian VP:

60% of potential employers do a credit check

The difference between a 789 and 790 can make a \$3000 difference on a loan!

Kinds of Credit

❖ Secured

- Something of value promised to lender

❖ Unsecured

- Loan without collateral - higher interest rate

❖ Payday Loans

The average annual percentage rate (APR) on payday loans is
430.69%!

There are more payday loan stores than McDonald's restaurants in America.

Ways to Re-Build Credit

- Open a savings account and begin making regular payments
- Make ALL payments (including utilities) on time
- Close any open accounts that you are NOT using
- Keep charges at 50% or less than available credit limit

Car Insurance

- Texas Automobile Insurance Plan Association (TAIPA)
 - ... “available to drivers who cannot find basic liability insurance elsewhere.”

www.taipa.org

www.tdi.state.tx.us

1-800-252-3439 Consumer Help Line

Consumer Information

Federal Trade Commission

www.ftc.org/gov

regional office: 214.979.0213

1 (877) 438-4338

Student Loan Questions

<http://www.ibrinfo.org>

Good luck... reach for the Stars!!!

