

A New Year

Hello and Happy New Year! Greetings from the O'Shaughnessy family, this is Blaine O'Shaughnessy. It's an honor to get to speak with you today because I just love when the new year comes around! It's nice to bring things to a close and open a new beginning. The new year is a great time for reflection. This afternoon, I encourage you to be present. Now, is the time to take the best parts about yourself from 2018 into the new year! Imagine your future self as you would like to be and then become that person today. I like to think of the new year as a fresh start. I always enjoyed getting a fresh start. For example, I remember when I went to Army basic training, the training and discipline I received created a new person inside of me. In addition, I remember this same feeling while attending school. Each new semester began, I loved it because I was able to carry the good habits from the previous semester and apply them to the new semester. Little by little each semester got better as I moved through school. There is something really special about starting something new and as you get older you don't get to many fresh starts. However, with each New Year gives us this opportunity. It allows a time to reflect on how we want our next year to be. In the spirit of community comment this is the question, I propose to you. What will you do with the fresh start of this new year? For myself, I want to be more attentive, loving, caring to my family, friends and the community at large. More productive in the work that I do and more efficient with the time I have. I want to leave behind the bad habits because I've learned they are a complete waste of time. We live in such a wonderful community and with each of us improving ourselves this next year it will only get better. Thank you for you time and Happy New Year!

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