

# THE OFFICIAL BULLETIN OF THE GYRO CLUB OF SHERWOOD PARK



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**I WAS JUST THINKING: My mind is like a steel trap—rusty and illegal in 6 provinces.**

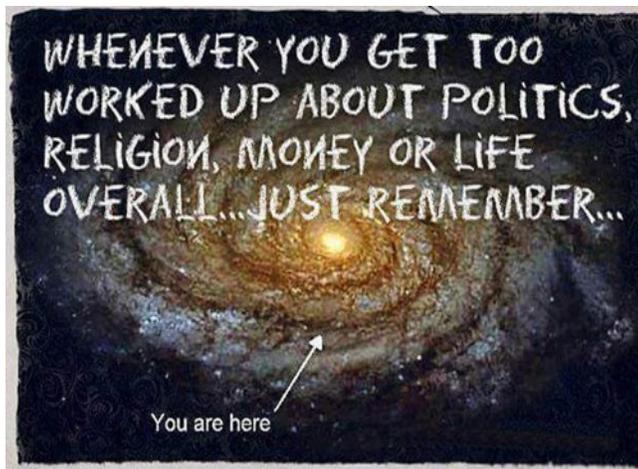
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## The Club's Grand Poobahs:

President: **Ken Lesniak**  
Vice President: **Rick Craddock**  
Past President: **Art Merrick**  
Treasurer: **Erik Braun**  
Secretary: **John Williams**  
Registrar: **Dorne Hunt**  
Directors: **Herb Zmurchuk, Gary Jones, George Ward, Paul West**

## EDITOR'S RANT



Over the past 3 months I have read a total of three newspapers, watched no TV and heard only the occasional snippet of radio in the car on the way to town.

Occasionally I have inquired of friends more “in the know” whether we

are at war, if the Donald has been impeached, whether the stock market has crashed and have the lowly Leafs made some miracle trades that will assure them of a playoff spot. So far I have had nothing but negative responses to all those questions. The globe appears to be continuing to revolve and my lack of participation has not had much impact on world events. This is both humbling and reassuring news. I did hear a rumor that there was rain in Texas but Texas always seems to be in need of rain so unless it was a real downpour .....

My point is (and I think I had one when I started this rant) that for the most part, agonizing over events that occur far beyond our own sphere of influence is pretty pointless. I listened to the news every morning during President Trump's first 100 days, felt my gut churn as I read his tweets, and my emotional involvement

## **RANT continued:**

had absolutely no influence on his behaviour or the fate of our neighbours to the south. I was much more content during the summer months on the lake shore in Quebec and the course of world events continued with or without my angst. I guess ignorance is bliss, unless you're a victim of a natural disaster, a refugee, a political prisoner, or Gary Bettman.

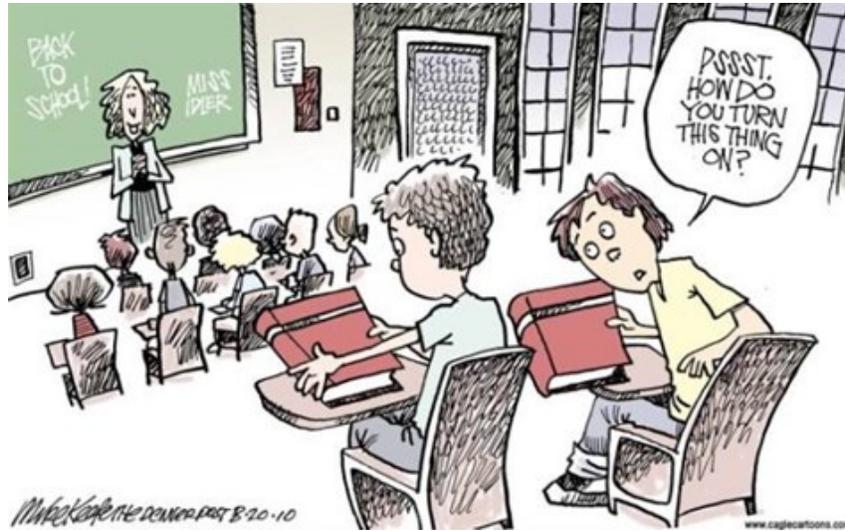
## **AGING GYROS:**



September's "Birthday Boys" include **Dick Caddey** (2nd), **Greg Smith** (2nd) and **Jim Copeland** (14th). May you have a limitless supply of them, guys. So far so good.

**Our vision tends to deteriorate as we age. It's nature's way of protecting us from the shock of looking in the mirror.**

# 'TIS THE SEASON



The school's new hall passes proved to be extremely effective in discouraging frivolous trips to the rest room.



## **LAST (AND FIRST) MEETING:**

The first official meeting of the new season, the Annual General Meeting was held on August 30th. Our new president, **Ken Lesniak**, sent in the following report:

34 Gyros in attendance. Main items up for discussion were the meeting schedule for the year and the budget. The schedule distributed by John Williams following the meeting shows some changes and new events and was based on the feedback received from 27 members who responded to John's request for ideas. Each event was discussed individually and in some cases modified.

The budget provided for a lively debate on fees and fee structures. The end result was that the fees for the coming year will be the same as last year. Some ideas for developing the 2018-19 budget were tabled until next year.

We have a new Health and Welfare chair—**Rikke Dootjes** and Sargent at Arms—**Bill Austin**.

A big "Thank you" goes out to Herb and Gary with the assistance of George and Paul (Directors) for putting the schedule together and to Erik John and VP Rick for helping wrap up and distribute the whole package. *(Ed. Note: did anyone else notice that while George, Paul and John were on the scene doing the work, Ringo was nowhere to be seen?)*

The assignment of on to chairs and assistants was done with the aim of including everyone. If members' assignments don't work for them they are free to trade etc. but need to let Herb Zmurchuk and Gary Jones know. Different venues were discussed and only 8 events will be at the German Canadian Cultural Club. Please note that on to chairs must let Rick Craddock know the number of attendees by the Wednesday of the week before the event so that he can confirm with the GCCC.

Thanks to all who participated. We are looking forward to another year of Gyro fun and friendship.

*Ken Lesniak*, President

**Some days you are the bug, some days you are the windshield.**

**Some drink at the fountain of knowledge. Others just gargle.**

**Some people are only alive because it is illegal to shoot them.**

**Some of this stuff is just filler so the page looks balanced.**

## **GUESS WHO'S COMING TO NIBBLE!**

**Please note...** the last bulletin contained misinformation (“I’m so surprised!” I hear you exclaim. The date for the GWCTN is not the 23rd—it is **SEPTEMBER 30TH**

The clock is running and tempus fugit. If you have not decided to participate in this fine evening DO IT NOW not just for your own enjoyment but for the health of the club. Be a host or a guest but BE SOMETHING. Contact **Ann ward** today! ...**780-570-1271**, or preferably at: [annward@shaw.ca](mailto:annward@shaw.ca) Deadline is September 24th but don't put it off. Act NOW and save everyone the suspense. Besides, if your memory is like mine you will remember to do it in October.

## **THE MEETING AFTER THAT: Horse Racing**

This event will be run by real horses but also by our own **Ray Davis** and **Jeff Malott**. I hope you have contacted Ray or Jeff regarding your intent to attend. Otherwise you might be a late scratch. If they have not yet heard from you give one of them a panicky call anyway and whine (whinny?).

## **MORE FUTURE MEETINGS:**

Have you got your programs? The “final” meeting schedule sent out by John Williams indicates that **Horse Shoe** will be on the menu for September 27th at an undisclosed location (perhaps part of the challenge is finding the horse shoe pits). **Greg Clarke** and **Bruce Schelske** are your contacts for this one. Maybe they know where the pits are.

Our annual **Bocce** fun and feast is scheduled for **October 11th** starting at **6:00 PM**. This location is not a mystery. Bring \$25 to cover the surcharge and show up at the Ital Canadian Seniors Association, 9111-110 Avenue (West of Commonwealth Stadium and across the avenue from Santa Maria Goretti Church). Be prepared to put on a pound or two. The exercise from the Bocce is no match for the fine Italian dinner's calorie count.

Let **Augie Annicchiarico** [aja46@shaw.ca](mailto:aja46@shaw.ca) or **George Ward** [gward10@shaw.ca](mailto:gward10@shaw.ca) know that you (and guests?) will be attending.

HMMM....



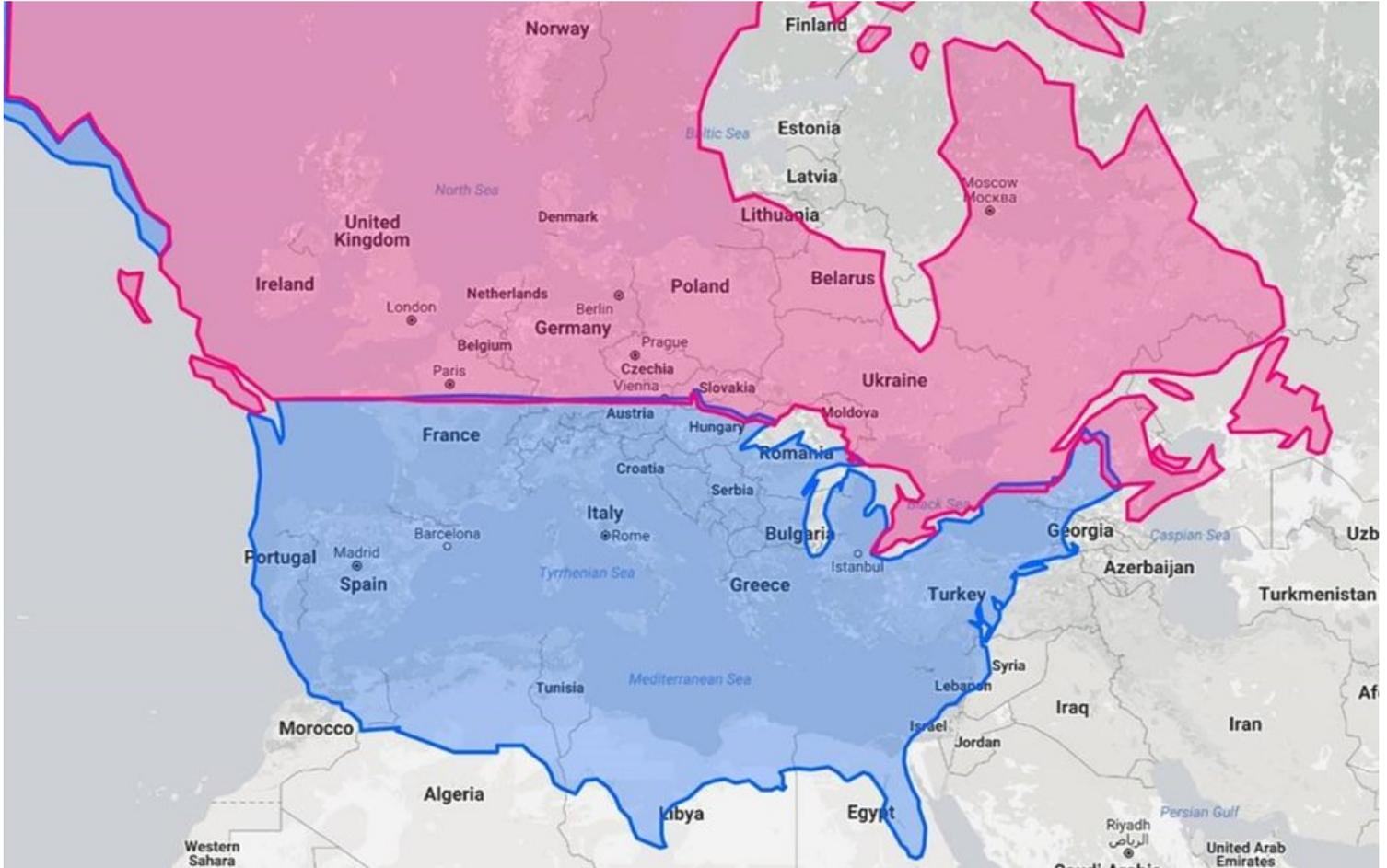
OMG! I haven't seen an accordion in a band for ages!

- ◆ Your stomach has to produce a new layer of mucus every two weeks or it will digest itself.
- ◆ The dot over the letter "i" is called a tittle.
- ◆ A rat can go longer without water than a camel
- ◆ A duck's quack doesn't echo. No one knows why.

\*\*\*\* Good to know\*\*\*\*



# MEANWHILE IN CANADA



OUR COUNTRY'S BIGGER THAN YOUR COUNTRY , except for you, Russia.

## Things you may not have known about Canada, part deux:

- ◆ Canada has more lakes than the rest of the world's lakes combined.
- ◆ In 2010, a Canadian man rescued a newborn baby from a dumpster, only to find out he was the father.
- ◆ Canada has the largest coastline in the world.
- ◆ After the attack on Pearl Harbor during WWII, Canada declared war on Japan before the U.S. did.
- ◆ "Canada" is an Iroquoian language word meaning "village".
- ◆ Large parts of Canada have less gravity than the rest of Earth. The phenomenon was discovered in the 1960s. (Ed. Note: Could this explain why many Americans feel light headed when they drink Canadian beerÉ)
- ◆ Americans have invaded Canada twice, in 1775 and 1812. They lost both times.
- ◆ Canada has the third largest oil reserves of any country in the world after Saudi Arabia and Venezuela.

## Meanwhile NOT in Canada

As much as I support meritocracy as an ideal, it should never Trump humanity

Remember back when Sarah Palin was the craziest person in politics?

Good times.



# PICTURES PLEADING FOR A CAPTION Dept.



The sign implies that someone has tried... and that person may still walk amongst us... that is unless they have come across electricity or a train.

# DO YOU REMEMBER? (THOSE WERE THE DAYS, I GUESS)

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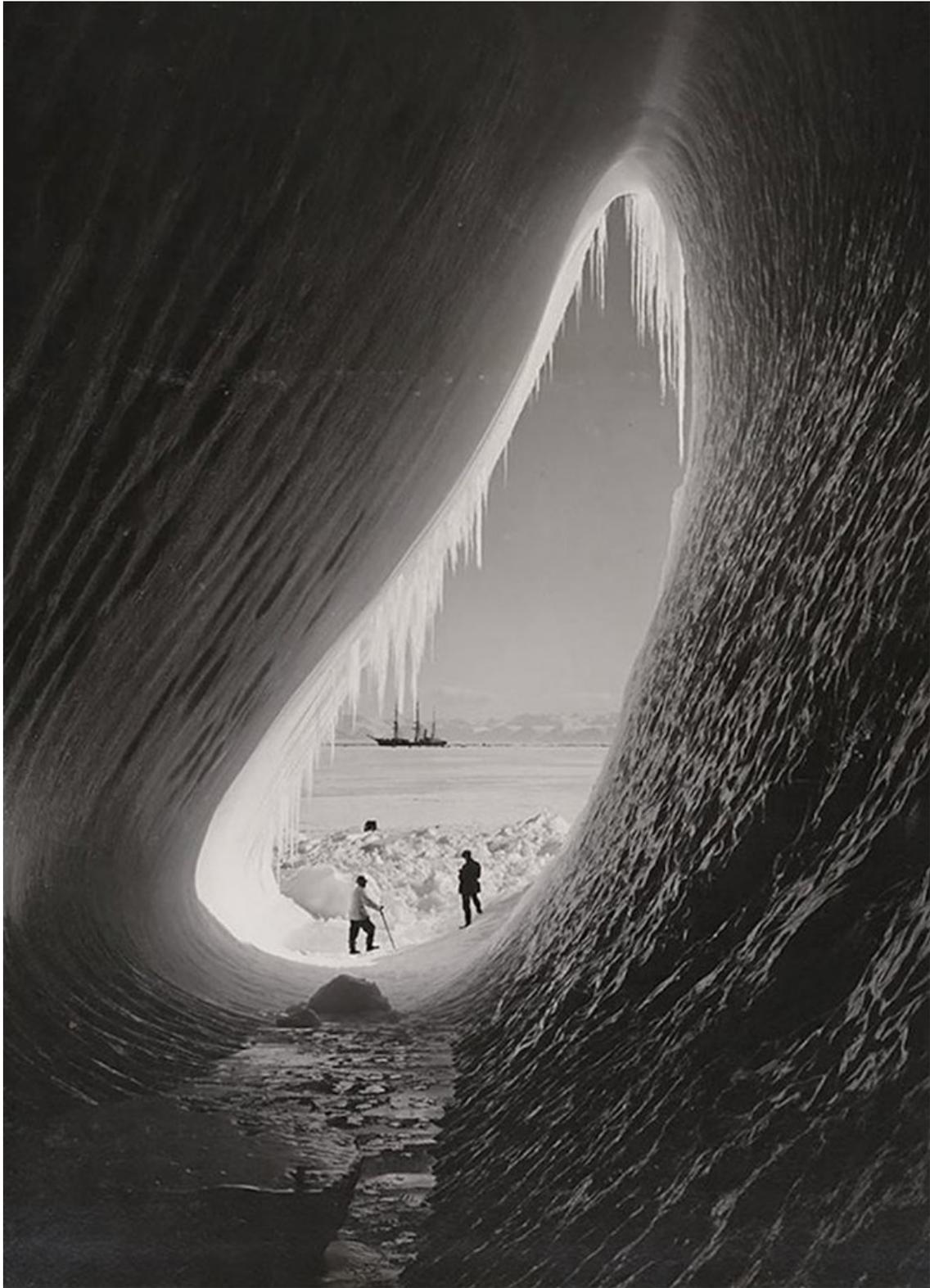
First 3D comics, 1953



How many of us had one of these in our family's past?

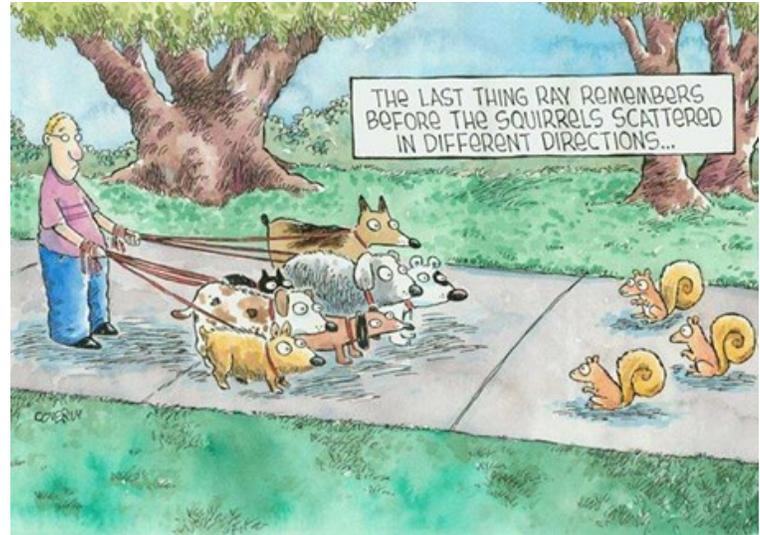
# BEFORE MY TIME

Some wonderful images from the past



Inside an iceberg found and photographed during a British Antarctic expedition 1911

# ANIMAL INSTINKS



## DOG RULES

1. The dog is not allowed in the house.
2. Ok, the dog is allowed in the house but only in certain rooms.
3. The dog is allowed in all rooms but has to stay off the furniture.
4. The dog can get on the old furniture only.
5. Fine, the dog is allowed on all furniture, but is not allowed to sleep with humans on the bed.
6. Ok, the dog is allowed in the bed but only by invitation.
7. The dog can sleep on the bed whenever he wants but not under the covers.
8. The dog can sleep under the covers by invitation only.
9. The dog can sleep under the covers anytime.
10. Humans must ask permission to sleep under the covers with the dog.

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OVER 15,000 MEN FOUND THEMSELVES TALKING TO THE ATLANTA HUMANE SOCIETY ABOUT AN 8-WEEK OLD BLACK LABRADOR RETRIEVER.

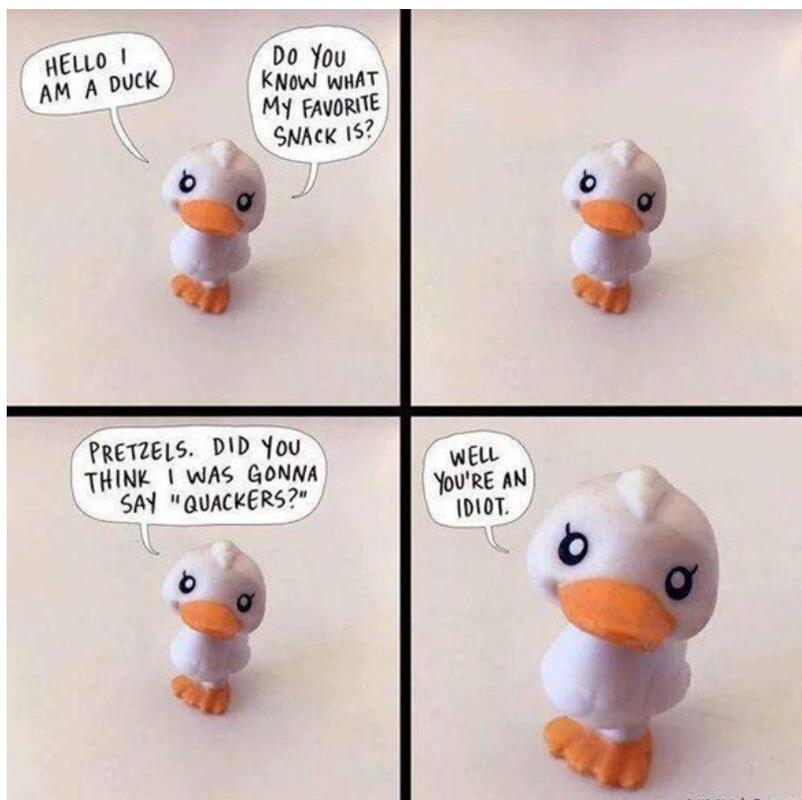
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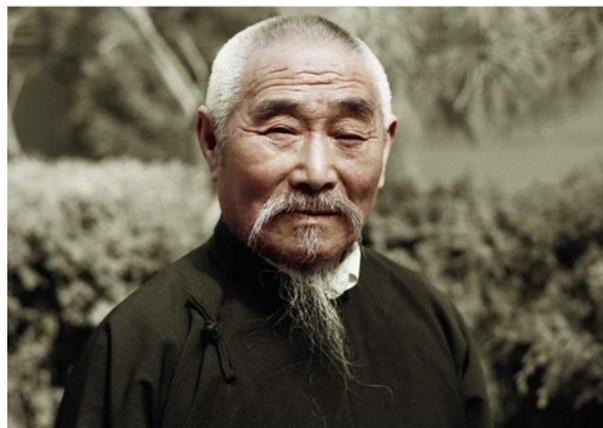
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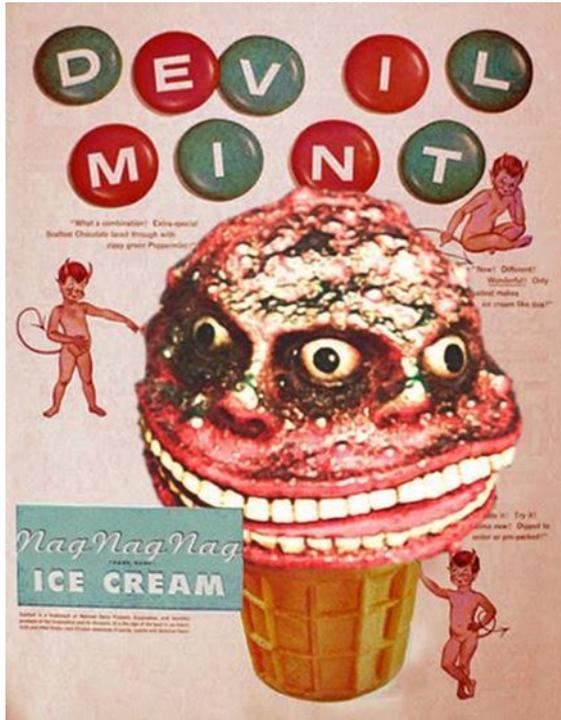
A wise chinese man once said:



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# THE FOOD PAGE...The magic is in the presentation



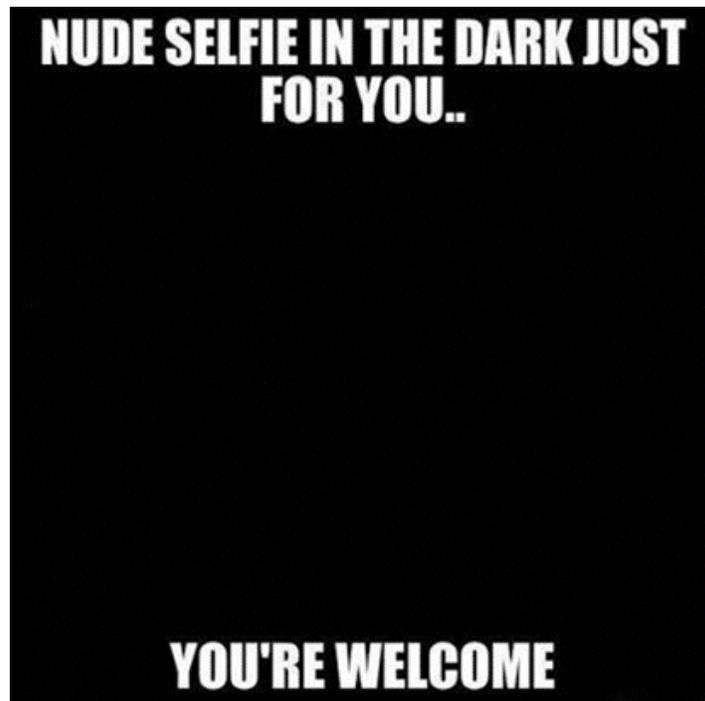
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IN MIRACLES



# A POTPOURRI OF PICS



## GYRO FRIENDSHIP THOUGHT OF THE WEEK



## AND THE LAST WORD....



View from our deck on a busy Fitch Bay day...(sigh) until next year