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I WAS JUST THINKING: Is it really necessary for the first square of toilet paper to be glued down?

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A question entered my mind this week. Is there a fragment of significance in my perception that during the Winter Olympics in China we were using and hearing the famous Chinese curse about living in "interesting times" in our heads more than ever?

There seems to be an increasing number of people upset with politicians at a local, provincial national and world level around the globe. The cynic in me scoffs and says "Our wrath is missing the real culprits". We are mistakenly assuming that politicians are the deciders and the ultimate power. At least in the "free world", the ultimate power actually rests with a few huge business interests. They ultimately make the decisions that influence our lives, including the politicians'.

My mind brings up Margret Mead's quote, " Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." The famous anthropologist's encouraging words may not apply as well today as they have for our series of civilizations to date.

The pandemic and our whipsaw reaction to it from a scientific, political and citizen standpoint is pushing more and more people toward the breaking point. We all have a different breaking point. The truckers had theirs. NATO and the Russians have theirs regarding the Ukraine. The small group of thoughtful, committed citizens will have their work cut out for them in attacking and forcing real change in the real enemy – the ultimate mega-business oligarchy that is truly controlling

Rant contd.

our destinies behind the scenes. Of the companies in the western world that are not owned and controlled by China, when you follow the money to its end, over 85% of the rest are owned and controlled by four corporate giants.

On the other hand, what if Ms. Mead is still relevant? There seems to be a growing discontent being voiced in an ever-increasing number of countries. Is this the beginning of a movement that could revise the world's power structure? We are, indeed living in interesting times, if only we pause and pay attention. Maybe it's time for the sheep to take back the power from the shepherds and their genetic modifier masters.

I'll be alright. I'll take my meds and go back to sheep sleep.

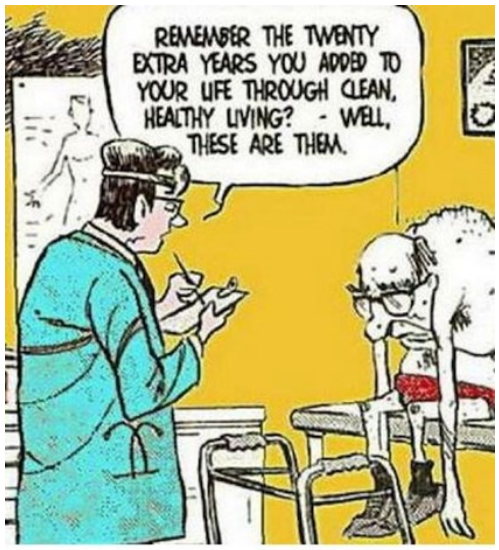
Aylmer truckers headed to Ottawa

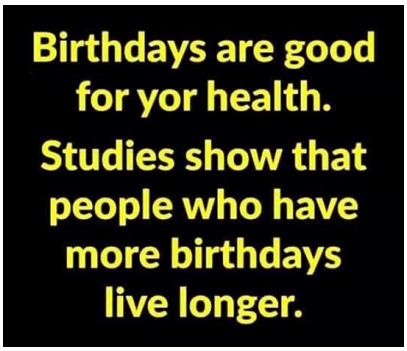
A convoy of Mennonite buggies are snaking their way through the country roads all the way from Aylmer to Ottawa to demand their right to quilt whatever patterns they so choose.
"Who's Trudeau to say I've got to make a Star of Bethlehem or Nine Patch?" shouted Mrs. Bauman from the back of her buggy. "This is a free country and if I want to sew myself a Center Diamond or Trip Around the World pattern that's my prerogative!"
The Mennonites are up in arms about the new restrictions, which they believe might also affect their ability to stuff sausages as they choose.
"I don't need the government telling me what to stuff my sausage with," explained local butcher Mr. Brubacher. "A man's smoked meat is his own business!"
The Mennonite buggies plan to gather on Parliament Hill and stay there until Trudeau himself comes out to speak to them.
"We're hoping to win him over with sausage and quilts," said Mrs. Bauman. "At the very least we're hoping our non-violent hymn singing and frowny faces will persuade him."
The City of Ottawa sanitation department has already assessed the situation and say they don't believe the presence of a couple thousand Mennonite buggies and their accompanying horses will make any discernible impact on the level of horseshit in the

AND MANY MORE..

March will be here before the next bulletin so we will wish the 3rd month Babies a Happy Birthday now so that none are belated wishes. My records show that the following fellows will be celebrating their entry into this life during the month of March:

Paul West (24th); **Larry Klaus** (31st). Party like the Pandemic's a thing of the past!





HEALTH AND WELFARE:

The lack of any reports would hint that we are an extraordinarily healthy bunch. The olds remain unchanged and there are no new news. If yu have news of your own or know of someone else who is not experiencing the best of health (or is on welfare) please tip off H&W chair, Gord Stewart, President Ted Ewanchuck, or me. We can't care if we don't know. Let's keep those friendly, healing vibes flowing from Gyros to Gyros.

GYRO MEETINGS

Nine Sherwood Park Gyros joined thirty five from the Edmonton club to cheer on The Oil Kings on February 21st. Lloyd Wilson sent the following report:

We had a very enjoyable outing with a great game having the Oil Kings behind by 2 goals and then they came storming back with a convincing win. Our highlight was dressing for – 30 degree weather and then finding out that we had a pedway walk right into Rogers place. Austin's, Judy Govenlock and Wilsons car pooled so it worked out well. (met for drinks with Bleiken's after the game). Great to have a break and at least see and meet some of the Edmonton Gyro's.

Lloyd

DISTRICT NEWS:

The **District VIII convention** will be held in **Medicine Hat** from **September 22-25, 2022.**

Mark your calendars now. The event is as certain as anything can be these days.

OTHER MEETING NEWS:

You have probably heard the news. The **2022 Gyro Convention** (June 26-30) in Cleveland Ohio **HAS BEEN CANCELLED.**

It was a sad day last week when the Convention Committee had to put their much loved pet project down.

The attendance registration numbers at this time were down enough to eliminate the probability of a viable convention. The prognosis, painful as it was, prompted the euthanasia procedure. Covid was the presumed primary toxic agent leading to the tragic end result. Our condolences go out to the Convention Committee, Cleveland Gyros, and those from across the continent who had planned to attend.

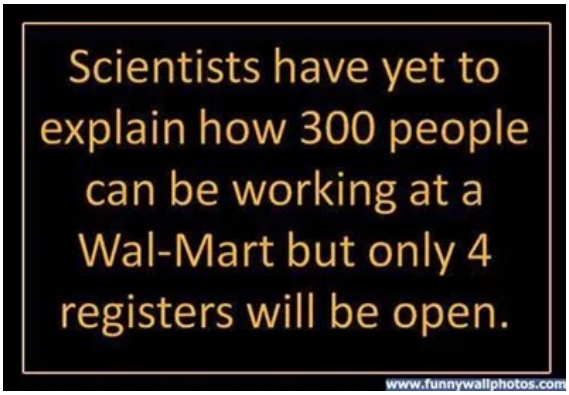
If you registered with the Convention itself, you will receive a refund. The Convention will be in contact with you.

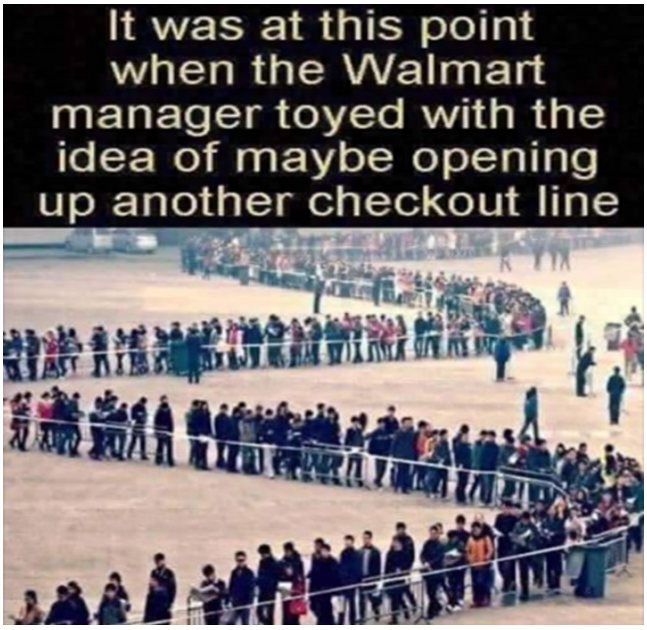
If you have already booked your accommodation, you need to contact your hotel yourself.

The formal meeting will be conduct the organization's business electronically.

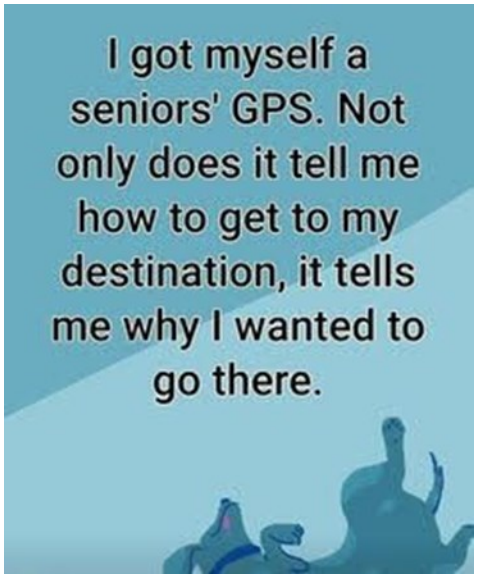
WALMART WAKOS

Tillie's first and last day working as a greeter.





AGING GRACELESSLY



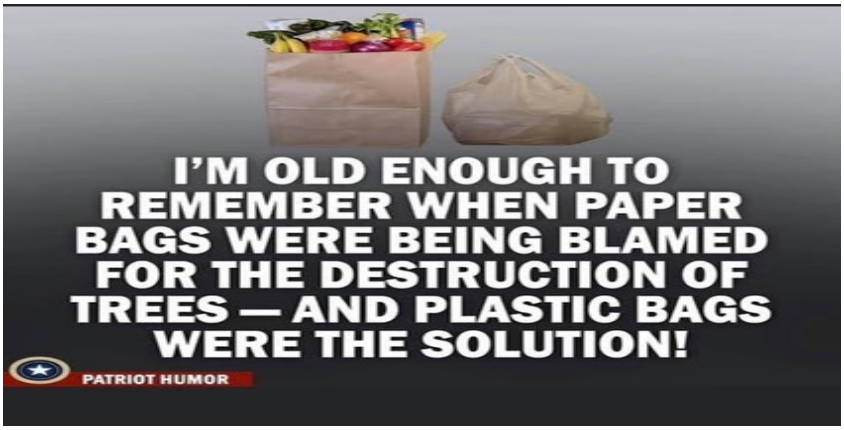
I don't always go the extra mile, but when I do, it's because I missed my exit.

Just remember, once you're over the hill, you begin to pick up speed.

THOSE WERE THE DAYS

Dwight D. Eisenhower

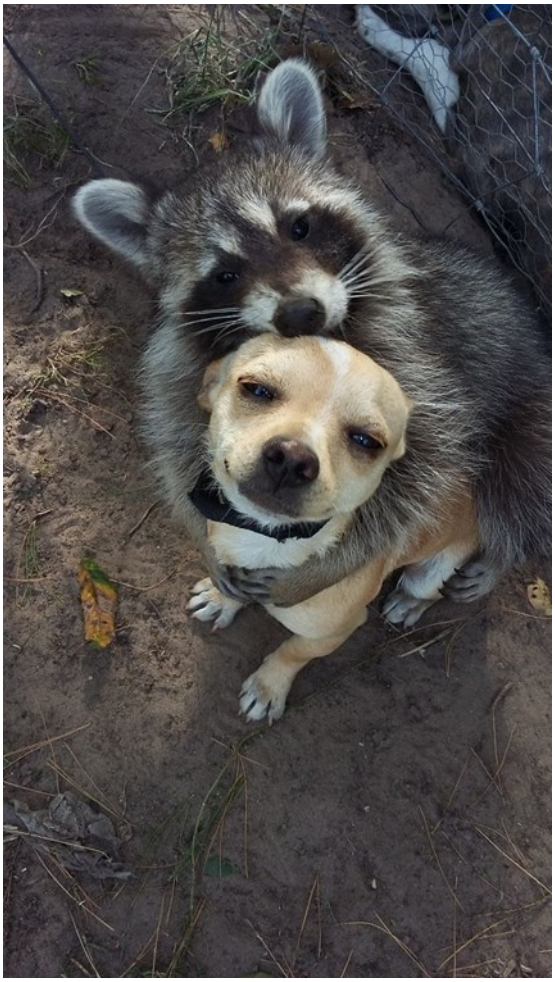
Lee Marvin



THE ANTIDEPRESSANT PAGE

A Pelican Befriended A Stray Dog Who Was Often Spotted Hanging Out All Alone Along The Boat Docks. The Man Who Photographed This Has Adopted Him But Brings Him Back Every Day To See His Friend, Petey The Pelican

Bubbles The African Elephant And Bella The Black Labrador



LINGUISTIC LUNACY

The meaning of opaque is unclear

I wasn't going to get a brain transplant but then I changed my mind.

Have you ever tried to eat a clock? It's very time consuming

A man tried to assault me with milk, cream and butter. How dairy!

I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I can't put it down.

If there was someone selling marijuana in our neighborhood, weed know about it.

It's a lengthy article about ancient Japanese sword fighters but I can Sumurais it for you.

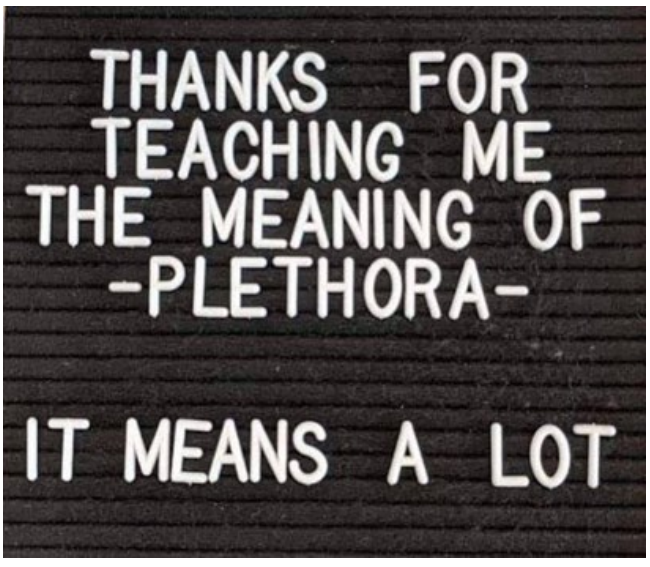
Police were called to the daycare center. A 3-year old was resisting a rest.

The other day I held the door open for a clown. I thought it was a nice jester.

Need an ark to save two of every animal? I Noah guy

Alternative facts are aversion of the truth.

I used to have a fear of hurdles, but I got over it.



FASCINATING FACTOIDS

In 1140, a German King captured a castle and ordered all the women of the castle to leave with whatever they could carry on their backs. Thinking quickly, the women carried their men on their backs. The King kept his word and let the men live.

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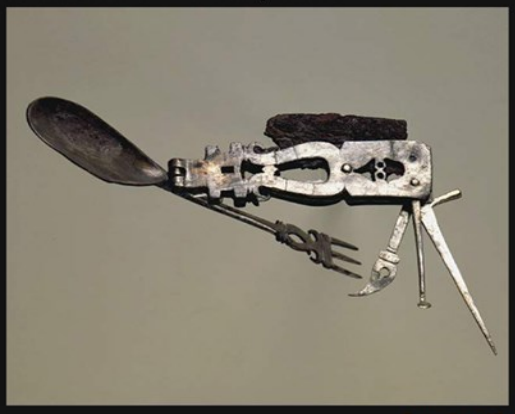
While we generally call them "Swiss Army Knives" today, the fact is that the Ancient Romans used pocket multi-tools (example pictured below) a couple thousand years before the first Swiss Army Knife was created by the Swiss company, Victorinox, in 1891. The term "Swiss Army Knife" was coined and popularized by United States soldiers around WWII. The soldiers had trouble pronouncing the original name of "Schweizer Offiziers-messer" (Swiss Officer's Knife) and thus began calling the multi-tool a "Swiss Army Knife".



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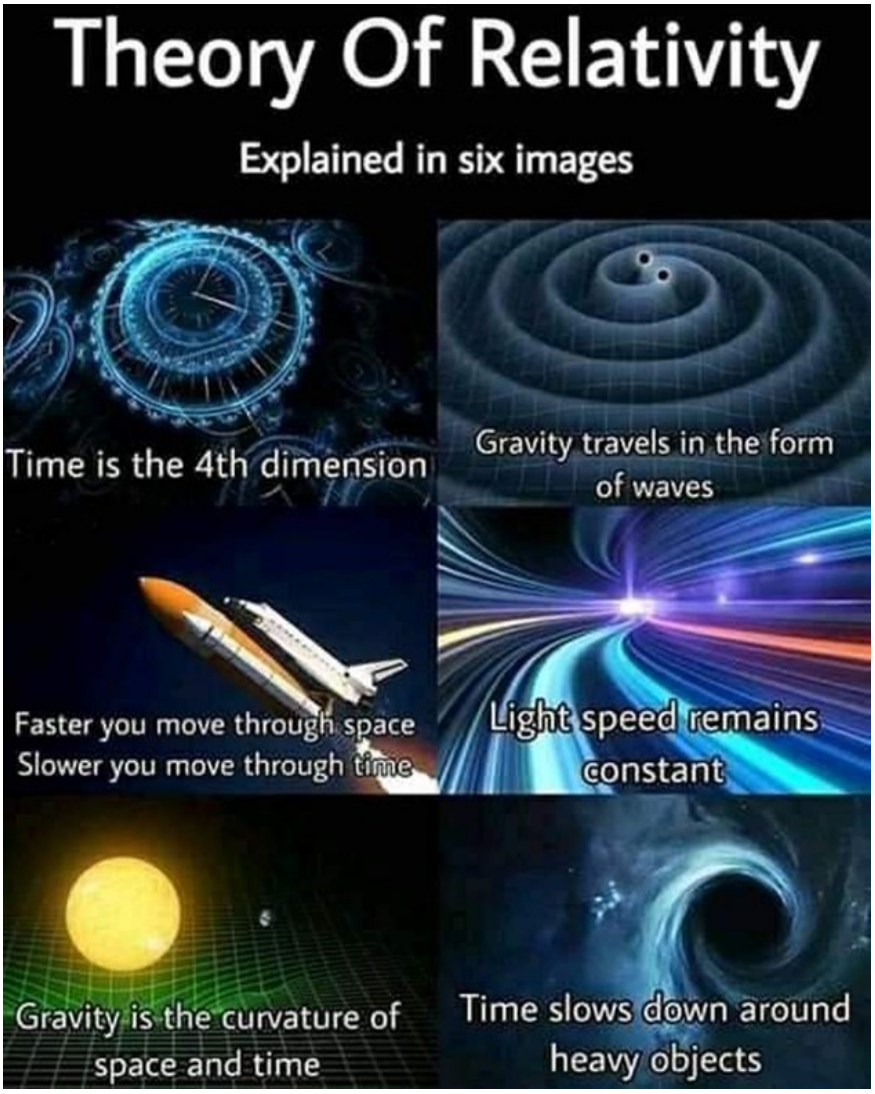


KID'S KOMEDY

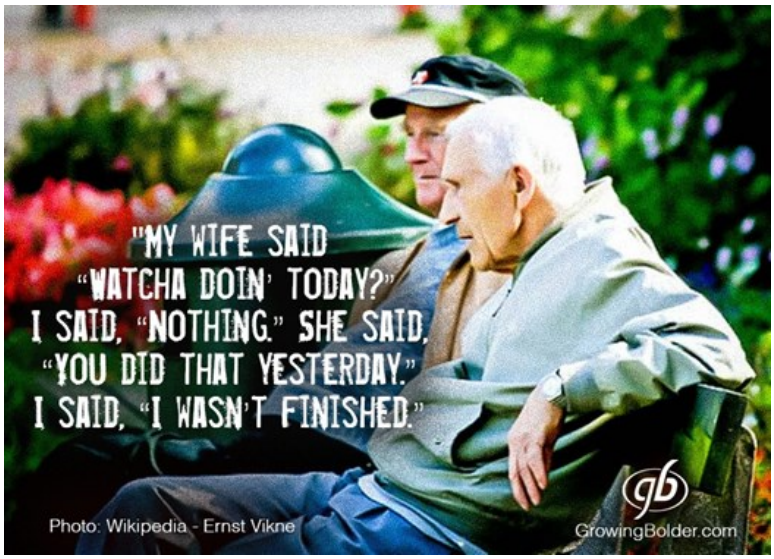
The father of this little girl says he brought her a cat to forget about the phone, but this is what happened.

ANXIETY MEDICINE

In these uncertain times it is easy to let your anxiety start to creep up . Perhaps while we are in various forms of lock-down, some images from our amazing world will help remind us that regardless of how things may look right now, we are indeed so lucky to be inhabiting this beautiful planet.

Iridescent clouds in Siberia

GYRETTE GIGGLES



Yesterday my husband thought he saw a cockroach in the kitchen. He sprayed everything down and cleaned thoroughly. Today I'm putting the cockroach in the bathroom.

I'M JUST A GIRL, STANDING IN FRONT OF A SELF-CHECKOUT, SCREAMING THAT THERE'S NO UNEXPECTED ITEM IN THE BAGGING AREA.

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Once you understand why the pizza is made round,
Packed in a square box,
And eaten as a triangle..
Then you will understand women

I don't want to brag or make anybody jealous, but...
I can still fit into the earrings I wore in high school.

Hmmm...(Plumbing Masterminds edition)

...and the purpose of the window is?

Apparently, you don't want anyone seeing your face, but everything else is okay?

This stall is for people that have arms like an orangutan.

This would be the "half bath" noted in the real estate listing?

How does this even get past the **planning phase?**

MEANWHILE IN CANADA

Me creating new accounts to get one month free trials

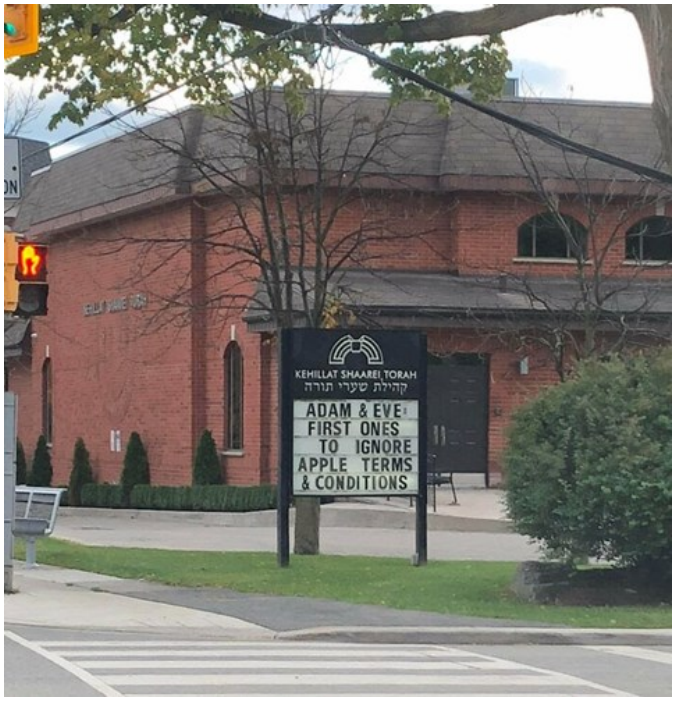
When you run out of the free trial so you make more accounts:

MEANWHLE NOT IN CANADA

Media: America is the Greatest Nation of all time

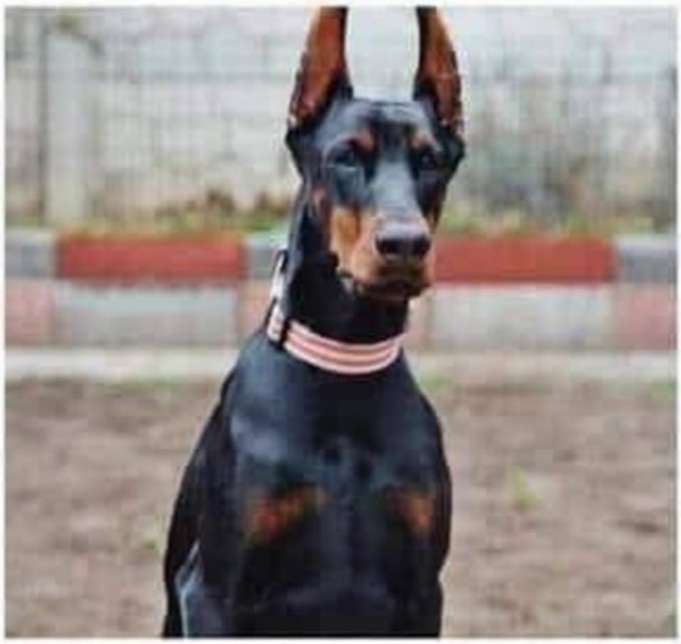
Meanwhile Americans

SIGNS OF OUR TIMES



Strip club's quarantine sign

ANIMAL INSTINCTS



I WATCH YOUR HOUSE

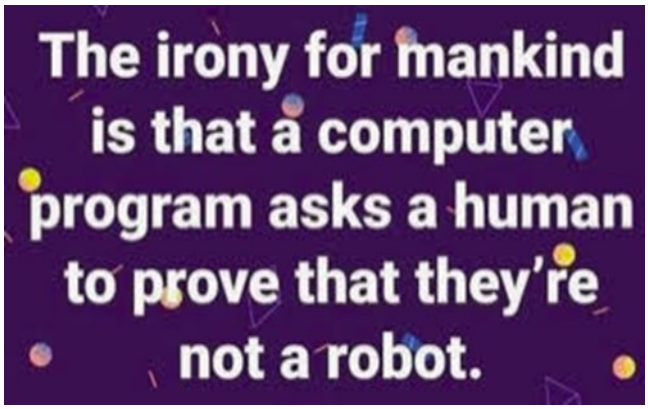
I DETECT DRUGS

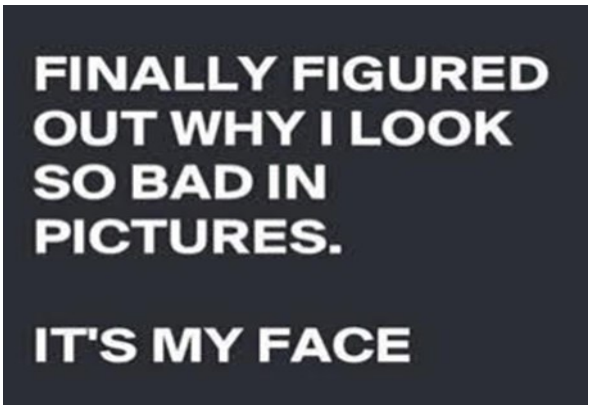
I GUIDE THE BLIND

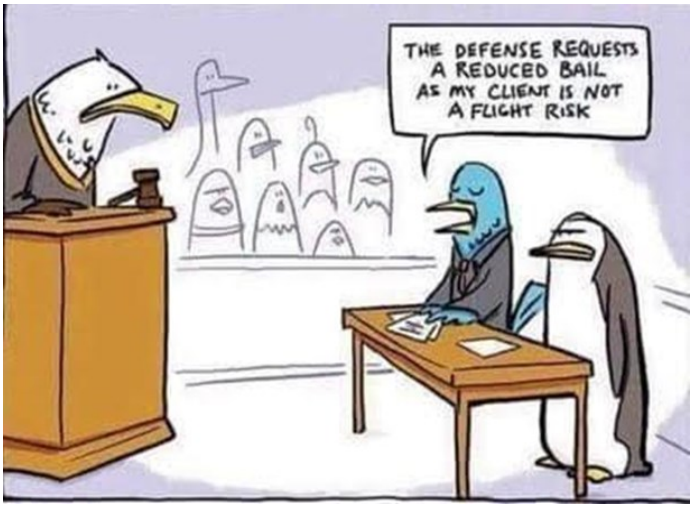
I SNORE AND FART

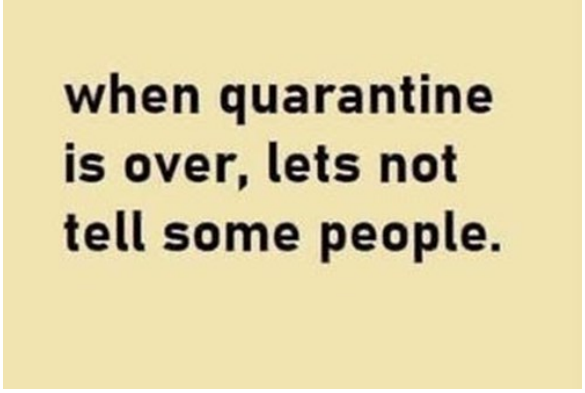
SNICKERS AND GUFFAWS

"Be Yourself. Everyone Else Is Taken!"









GYRO FRIENDSHIP PICTURE OF THE WEEK

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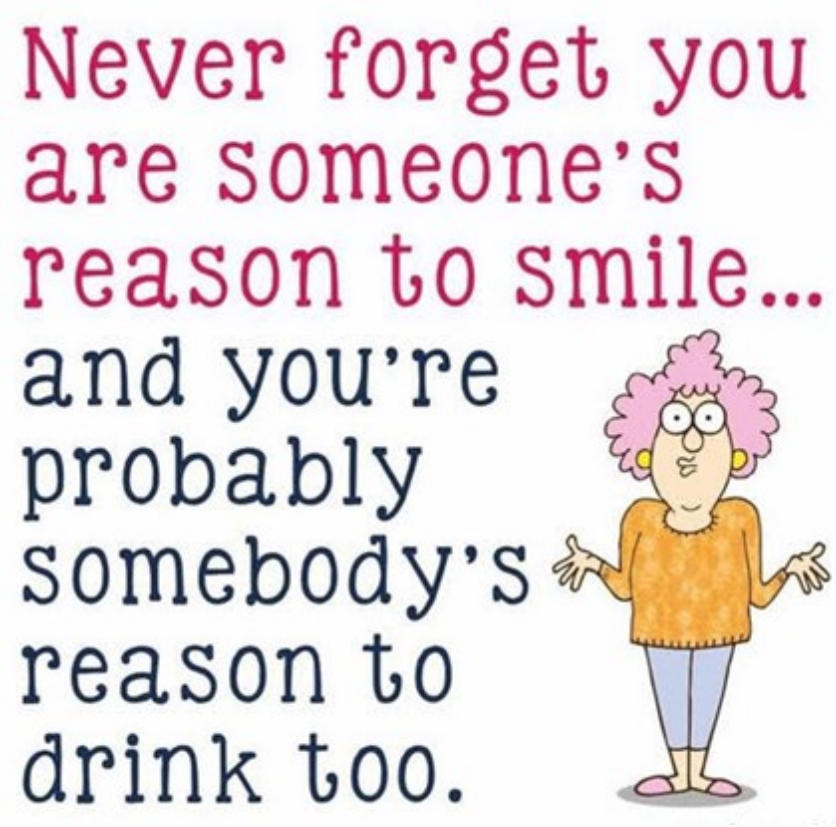

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