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I WAS JUST THINKING: Idolizing a politician is like believing the stripper really likes you.

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EDITOR'S RANT:

I was sitting on my deck today, here on Fitch Bay in Quebec, enjoying the afternoon sun. My thoughts wandered to an event that occurred a couple of years ago as I sat on the same deck.

The Brisbin Family Compound is the last human population on our side of the bay until you reach the main lake over 2 km away.

As I gazed to my right, I spotted a boat with an outboard motor. Even though it was a good distance away at that point, I suspected there were extracurricular activities occurring on board.

(My astronomy telescope confirmed it! ... kidding)

The breeze was coming up the bay and causing their boat to drift my way. Eventually they were right in front of me about 150 feet from shore. Either they had gotten their second wind or were demonstrating impressive staying power.

Rant Cont'd

They were obviously unaware that their boat was not where they remembered at their starting point. They had other things occupying their minds.

It was all I could do to keep from standing and applauding, but I was pretty sure that would have shattered the intensity of the moment. I let them drift by into more populated lakeshore properties, keeping my ears peeled for evidence that they had been spotted. Sure enough, five minutes later I heard a scream followed by the motor starting.

It's about as entertaining as it gets on this quiet bay. (TRUE STORY)

Our summer (and autumn and spring) place here affords us an escape from much of the reality of daily life. We purposely don't have any radio or TV. We try to limit the time spent on our phones. We trust that if the world is about to come to an end, someone will tell us about it. Eight months of full-on reality per year is enough.

Our little community that started on the other side of the bay over eighty years ago still thrives with all but one of the original cottages in the two adjoining communities still in the original families' hands. It is a rare model of the idyllic so many crave.

UPCOMING EVENTS

GYRO GOLF Wed. July 29th starting at 11:00 AM

Cost:\$68, including cart

Please advise Rick Craddock at rickcraddock14@gmail.com as soon as possible :whether you will attend and if you will play golf or only come for the meal

JULY BIRTHDAYS

There are three of us who throw caution to the summer breeze and celebrate birthdays:

Sid Slade (15th); **Bill Austin** (18th); **Gary Kleebaum** (24th)

Just remember that only one birthday a year is the quota for people our age.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

Rita Malott's six weeks of immunotherapy for bladder cancer finished over a month ago. She is now scheduled for removal of a growth in her bladder and a biopsy on July 27th. We are all cheering for you, Rita!

Dorne Hunt reports that following a long recovery from a leg injury, he is coming to the end of physio and had his first round of golf a few days ago. Great news, Dorne.

On July 7th we lost one of our long time and cherished members.

Earl Korber passes away on July 7th. He was a regular at most of our club related functions ranging from our regular meetings and events, to our triweekly cribbage events at the Sherwood Park Mall, to the Saturday morning breakfasts at Denny's.

Earl will be dearly missed.

Details about his obituary and Celebration of Life have not been announced yet. Members will receive notification when word arrives.

PAST EVENTS (JUNE)

WINDUP AND INSTALLATION

On June 26th, Gyros and Gyrettes gathered at the Broadmoor Country Club to formally mark the end of another season. This was the event that I notoriously missed by confusing the days Thursday and Friday. I am normally familiar with both those days but a couple of emails on Thursday somehow convinced me that the event was on Friday. My written apology to all was inadequate in describing my horror and embarrassment.

Regardless, I have no first hand description of the event. But Brenda Kropp and Dunc Mills have supplied photographic evidence to support its mix of ceremony, food and frivolity.



Windup and Installation cont'd :



GYRO INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

This key Gyro Convention, held in Calgary, July 13-17 was of even more special importance this year as honourary Sherwood Park club member, Dunc Mills, we-as elected GYRO INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT. He sent us a report of the meeting as follows:

“Got home yesterday from five days in Calgary for the annual Gyro International Convention. What a great time with over 100 men and women from across Canada and the USA for our annual gathering of fun, friendship, eating, partying , meetings, and generally just enjoying each other's company.

I was elected president of Gyro International for the coming year, and while I have a big job ahead of me in helping steer Gyro through what might be some choppy waters at times, I am going to be surrounded by a ton of talent and experience with the other Executive Council members as well as being able to lean on the knowledge and experience of hundreds of my fellow Gyros across the network. I've attached a few pictures of some of the great times we had this week in the Calgary area. I only wish that all my Facebook and Gyro friends could have joined us this week!”

Rumor has it according to Dunc (but not formally confirmed as of this writing), that I received the International Bulletin of the Year Award for small to medium size bulletins at the Calgary meeting. The news was a complete surprise and I am very grateful for the honour.

See photos next page.



GYRO INTERNATIONAL MEETING PHOTOS



ANIMAL INSTINCTS



SNICKERS AND GUFFAWS



**HOPE THIS
VIRUS SITUATION
GETS RESOLVED
BEFORE TICK SEASON
STARTS OR WE'LL BE
DEALING WITH
CORONA
WITH LYME**



**i hate when someone
rings my doorbell
because then i have to
drop whatever i'm
doing to be silent and
pretend i'm not home.**



AGING GRACELESSLY

**I JUST POSTED
A SELFIE AND
PEOPLE TOLD
ME TO GET
WELL SOON!**

**Old age is a thing... last night
I was in bed for 20 minutes
when I heard the pizza guy
cough. Then I remembered I
came to my room to get my
wallet.**

It Is Time!

How do you know when it is time to
"hang up the car keys"?
I say when your dog has this look on his face!
A picture is worth a thousand words!



*I bet you will send this one on
It made me smile too!*

**If I am ever on
life support,
unplug me...
Then plug me back in..
See if that works..**

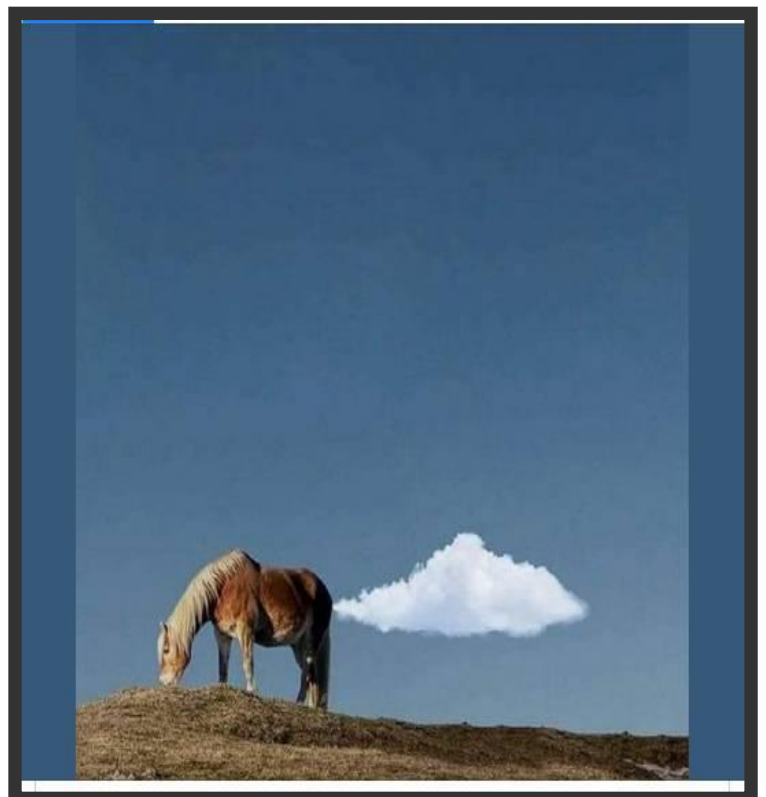
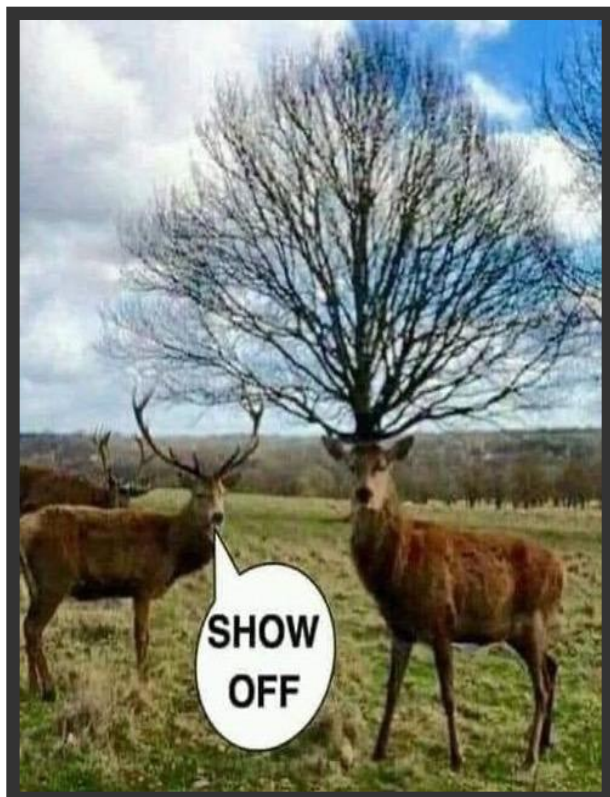
**I AM STARTING
TO THINK I WILL
NEVER BE OLD
ENOUGH TO
KNOW BETTER**

PHUNNY PHOTOS

How to prevent your bag getting stolen in London 🤔



I'm gonna hang around until I see who walks out of this house..



Hmmmmmm

Why are you **IN** a movie, but you're **ON TV**?

Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?

Why do doctors leave the room while you change? They're going to see you naked anyway.

Why is "bra" singular and "panties" plural?

Why do toasters always have a setting that burns the toast to a horrible crisp, which no decent human being would eat?

Can a hearse carrying a corpse drive in the carpool lane? I've never seen a sign that says 'Two or more LIVE people needed to use the HOV lane'...

If the professor on Gilligan's Island can make a radio out of a coconut, why can't he fix a hole in a boat?

If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, what is baby oil made from?

If electricity comes from electrons, does morality come from morons?

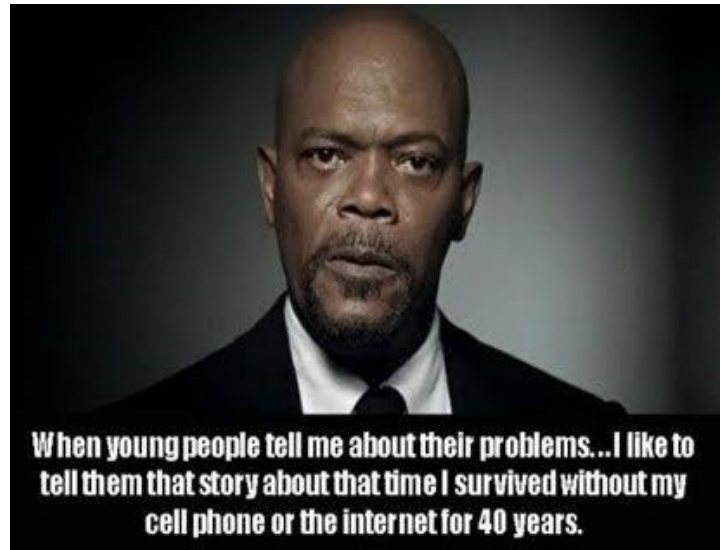
Why do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune?

Why did you just try singing the two songs above?

Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?

HOW DID THE MAN WHO MADE THE FIRST CLOCK, KNOW WHAT TIME IT WAS?

COMPUTER CONFUSION



When young people tell me about their problems...I like to tell them that story about that time I survived without my cell phone or the internet for 40 years.

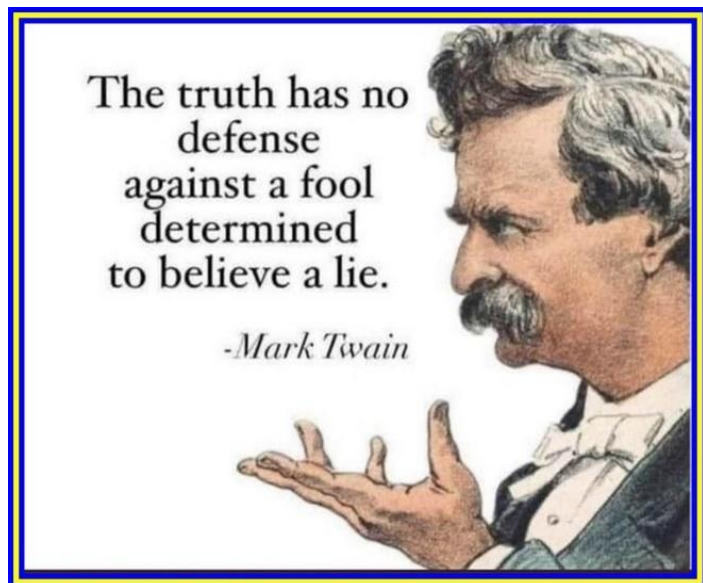
**Do y'all remember,
before the internet,
that people thought
the cause of stupidity
was the lack of access
to information? Yeah.
It wasn't that.**

Being popular on
Facebook is like
sitting at the cool
table in the cafeteria
of a mental hospital.



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MEANWHILE NOT IN CANADA



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MiC		
Canada vs. USA		
		
-Minimum Wage	\$17.30 cdn	\$7.25 usd
-Federal Median Income Tax Rate	20.5%	22%
-Health Costs	Free	\$4,316 avg.
-Bank Regulations	Strong	Weak
-Unionization Rate	30%	10%
-Median Annual Income	Ranked #1 in World	Ranked #2 in World
-Paid Maternity Leave	15 Weeks	0
-Number of Tolls	18	7,200+

MY ANXIETY MEDICINE

In these uncertain times it is easy to let your anxiety start to creep up. Perhaps while we are in various states of armed combat, political strife and major health issues, some images from our amazing world will help

Our Fitch Bay in Quebec.

Photos by Ken Cangi



GYRO FRIENDSHIP PICTURE OF THE WEEK

UNEXPECTED
FRIENDSHIPS
ARE THE BEST
KIND



AND THE LAST WORD....

