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My Trip

I have a lot of things to do to get the motor home ready I want to leave no later than Thursday so I am using my time to type this instead on that.

I really am working on getting ready. I am thinking about what I have to do before I go and putting it to paper. That is kind of what Santa Clause does; 'make a list and check it twice.'

I have the backpack ready except for a little food and water. I have an appointment to have the oil changed in the RV.

I want to take my Laptop so I need to make sure it has all of the updates so I don't have to do that on the road. That is happening while I typing. I should spend a little time looking for that last list it would save a lot of time. That would be the list of things to get ready before going on a vacation. I just

would not take the stuff I didn't use like the last time.

Mike kind of told me he didn't need anything I would have to take. So it is just my wants and needs.

Weather Station

I just found a free Linux program to take care of my weather station data. That means I could shutdown one more PC without spending a lot of money for a new controller for it. But it will have to wait until I get back from my trip.

Getting Ready

Before I packed up the laptop I had to make sure the email worked. Some times I have trouble with it when I am on the road. Well, this time I decided to make sure it was working here then if there was a problem on the road I could blame a bumpy road or something.

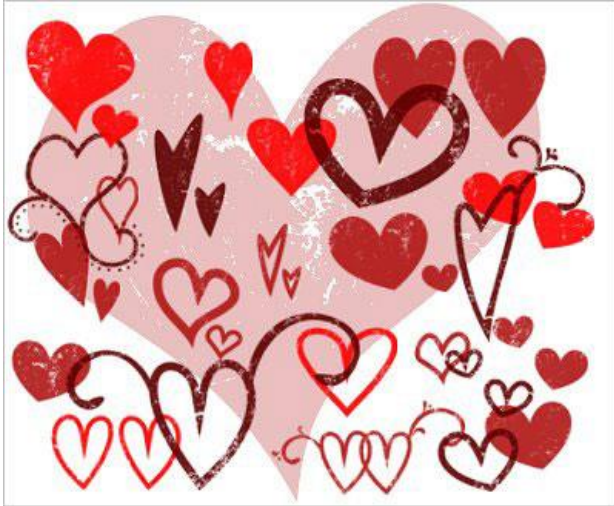
Well I found 6 things I needed to change or fix before it was working.

Some of those changes were things I forgot I had changed because of having my email hosted by a service and some because I updated my firewall and there were a couple typos in the settings. Oh yes, I had just did all of those other updates to the laptop because I hadn't used it since December. So now it is ready so I can put it in the pile for the motor home.

14-Feb-2009 11:34am 31°

That snow is melting!

Happy Valentine Day



Here is a web site that I just heard about that is worth checking out.

www.Radical-Relationship-Resource.com.

The caption on the front page is;
End It, Fix It, or Start A New Relationship

This is a real web site it about creating relationships with new beginning. I thought it is ideal find on Valentine's Day.

If you have questions about your relationships take a look at this.

I have been [for subscribing to Dick Sutphen's weekly Master-of-Life column](#) for a long time. Even though I don't always agree with him it is interesting.

Pilgrim Update

Mike and Petra were in Kingman, AZ yesterday. I may not get to Flagstaff before them yet. They have about 168 miles to there.

15-Feb-2009 12:26am 27°

Well it is time to start pushing myself a little to get things together for my trip. I don't know if I have been busy or just not in a hurry to get going. It only gives me 5 days to get ready if I'm going

to leave on Thursday. I only just know made a list of thing I need to do before I can go.

The Pilgrims

I talked to Mike & Petra last night. Yes, they have a phone. Mike said they were some where west of Kingman in a dumpy motel. They needed to get out of the weather and it was the only pace around. Petra said they had to reject one room because it was so bad. She admitted it was a little bet warmer than the tent.

16-Feb-2009 2:54pm 37°

Where has this day gone? 3:00pm and I am no closer to be ready for my trip than last Friday. Maybe it because I don't want to load up the RV until after I get the oil changed tomorrow.

Mike's Works and Words

Germany to Rome
Walking the Camino
Spain's Hidden Castles
The Pilgrims
Money and the Pilgrims
Aman

I have written the following books and video

For more details go to www.worksandwords.com/bookindex.htm

Mike and Petra were in Peach Springs, AZ yesterday. That is only about 120 miles from Flagstaff. I guess that is walking about 6 days. I have about 1700 miles to drive. I am planning on about 400 mile days and at least one visit on the way. Maybe I will still beat them there.

FOR SALE

Check it out at

www.doerofthings.com/forsale**17-Feb-2009 1:09pm 40°**

I will be getting the motorhome loaded now that I have it back from getting the oil changed. I forgot that engine was so big. It holds 7 quarts of oil. And the engine has 2-1/2 time more cylinders and is 5 the size of the one in the car. No wonder it drinks more gasoline going down the road.

Trip Notes

On this trip I will be posting my notes on line and not sending out email like I have the last couple of trips. I will post the notes from time as I get connected on the internet. You will be able to read my tails by going to MartyRandomThoughts.com and clicking on the link in the middle of the page that says "My BLOG"

It will be much easier to put my trip notes there. If my laptop breaks down I can still get it from any computer in the world that is connected to the internet. In the past I needed my computer stuff at home to be working for you and me to use it.

It is nice having someone else take care of all that stuff. I just pay then the \$10 a month and forget about it.

Well I have to get packing.

18-Feb-2009 6:45pm 27°

I have a couple of minor things to do before I leave. I will do them tonight or first thing in the morning. I am planning of heading out after breakfast tomorrow.

If you want to contact me just send me an email, I will be checking from time to time.

My next newsletter will be after I return. Remember to checkout my trip notes from time to time at MartyRandomThoughts.com

Until I return take care of each other.

I will be looking for these pilgrims.



Marty

Birthdays

Happy birthday to all of you.

February

2 nd	Josh H	20 th	Jessica Mc
16 th	Devyn J	26 th	Shirley M
19 th	Chad P		

March

1 st	Jenae	13 th	Sandi's Anniversary
2 nd	Day I retired 2007	13 th	Steve S
6 th	Marie K	13 th	Dad Died 1983
8 th	Bruce M	16 th	Marcia G
8 th	Taylor B.	10 th	Victoria (IHOP)
9 th	Sandi P	21 st	John K
10 th	Sandi's other Anniversary	30 th	Christine P