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1-Jan-2010 9:07am 6°

This year started out a little cold. I show over night it got down below zero. Even with this it will be the warmest day of the year so far.

Weather

I have been collecting weather data since I installed my own weather station back in 2004. Wow I am starting my 8th year already!

You can see the summary of that data on my weather page at http://www.doerofthings.com/weather. At the bottom of the page are links for other weather station near Woodstock posting their data.

Restaurants in Woodstock

A couple months ago I decided to list my restaurant list of in Woodstock. I

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2010 note from Marty. You never know where my random thoughts might take me. If I am thinking it or see it I might write it down. This is a not for profit project I started over 10 years ago and I will continue doing it as long as it is interesting. I print only a few copies ever month so my only cost is the ink, paper and a little electricity. Right now that would be HP #88 ink cartridges I use both the black and color. I could use HP # 56 & 57 empty or full. These are refillable. I also will except any empty ink cartridges. I will recycle then if I cannot use them.. From looking an my paper supply I have enough for all of 2010 and maybe them some. If you supply me any supplies I will add your name to the list. This year I have added ads for mine and Mike's books at the bottom of the pages. It helps keep with the cost if someone buys one of my books.

think it is more of an Eatery List. Oh, let's call it Marty's Random Eateries.

If they serve food and have a place inside to sit and eat it should be on my list. Later today I will check it one more time and put it in this issue.

I have been telling people that there are about 80 eateries in Woodstock. My current list has 72. Well that's today.

Yesterday Mary told me that O'Leary's Pub is closed. They just open a few months ago. They were located at 113 S. Benton. That is at the far south end of Benton near those stairs that goes down to Jefferson Street.

There is a new one for my list called Scoops. They have been building it for the last few months. It is not open yet. It is located at the corner of Madison & Judd. It is a hot dog stand and may not have any seating inside.

There still another one for my list. I think the name is China Palace.

Someone told me that they are open for business. I must have an Eastwood drive address. It is on the south end of that mall where the Driver License, Office Depot, Alde's, dollar store, and the Laundromat are now. You know where Jewel used to be a few year back. Yes Jewel moved a few years ago.

I have to go through this list again because I see there are a handful of place that I still am not sure are eateries.

Remember to be on Marty's Random Eateries they must serve food and have a place to sit inside.

The full list will be later in this issue.

Go to page eleven to see the list

Exercising

I started exercising by going to Cardinal Fitness on the 12th of last month. I have missed a few days with excuses like I moved snow all morning or I can miss a day once in a while, and today is it is a holiday.

I guess I am the only one to blame. I am the only one that will get the benefits of my exercising. Maybe I can hire someone to exercise for me. Yah right! Some things you just have to do for yourself! I guess I just have to get up and do it.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday Ned!

4-Jan-10 11:01am 15°

You may notice I stopped using 20 in front of the year. If I remember I will start using it again after the year 2090. I will be around 144 then so my thought may be a little more random and you will have to remind me.

Today's Plan

After breakfast I saw that the mail was in the mail box and Becky had left me a note that I had to sign for something and it would be at the Post Office after 3:30. It thought I might have just missed her so I could have drove down the street and looked for the mail truck. I didn't!

I went to lunch after two o'clock and visited with Ammie until three and headed over to Cardinal and found no place to park. I looked in the window and it looked full inside so I came home.

When I pulled in the drive I remembered that I could pick whatever I had to sign for at the Post Office. It was only 20 after when I got there. I was







hoping Becky was walking fast because it was so cold. This wasn't the case. I decided to wait for a few minutes.

I was standing over in the corner playing with my cell phone when Becky came in and said that she was sorry I had to come to the Post Office to pick it up.

She needed to get some postage and had to stand in line too. I kidded her that she could do her own postage. She said; "Those are the rules."

So I know my parcel was back and I got in line behind her. I was out of there in 5 minutes. It was the replacement ear phone I got the other a couple weeks ago that were bad. They work just fine. Thanks Zetronix!

2010 Calendar

I hear that a few people didn't get a new calendar this year. So I created one online that you can print. Or you can ask me for one. I printed a few on 110 pound papers. That is about as heavy as a postcard. I use both sides and punched a hole in the top so you could hang it on a nail if you like.

I am trading them for one US dollar. A paper dollar or a dollar coin will be accepted.

I will put a few in the car so if you want one let me know.

The Pilgrims

I see Mike and Petra were in Entroncamento, Santarem, Portugal yesterday.

New Reader

I see I have some new readers. Amie or did you just tell me it is Ammie. Please remind me! I think Gentry is reading it to. I'm not sure on your spelling either. Lily may be reading it too. I see there is copy sitting at Town & Country Restaurant right there for you all to see it.

Maybe Chico and Julio are reading it too. Are your names spelled correctly? You two guys keep changing you names so if your names are really Jose and Chaco let me know. Wait, if I ask you your names you might tell me. ©

Very Tired

One of my friends is working too many hours in a row. It is very hard to work from 6:00am to 1:00pm and then go to another job from 2:00pm to midnight. Then get some sleep and get up go back to work at 6:00am and do it again.

I Tried It

I did something like that back in 1983 for about 9 months. It was all at one place.

I had been without work for a year. I started this job and they wanted to work over time the first. I declined the first day. I never saw eight hours again. I worked twelve plus hours a day and six plus day a week. And I stared at irregular hours.

Yes I would start at midnight and work until eight at night then get a little sleep and come back at six in the morning. Sometimes I would get to sleep and I would get called to see it I was about ready to come back in. In the first 6 weeks I couldn't even get to the bank to cash my pay checks. I had 5 payroll checks and my last unemployment check in my pocket. It was good money but at what cost!











After a while it gets to be too much. One day I was driving down Tryon Grove Road and was not sure if I was going toward home or work.

I was laughing because I really didn't know. I thought and thought trying to remember what was along the road and what I should see ahead. Then I remembered the field with the goats.

Tryon Grove road goes east and west from Greenwood Road and the corned that I turn at highway 31 on the south end of Richman. That is about a three mile stretch of road that about did me in.

I always thought they must be mountain goats because they would be one on the big branch in the tree. Yes they did really were in the tree.

Anyway I came up on the goats and started laughing some more. I could not remember it they should be on the right or left side of the road. I was very confused!

I thought; "This is nuts, am I really driving or am I dreaming? How will know if I am going to work or on my way home?"

After a while I remembered that on one end of the road there is a stop sign and the other end is a traffic light. Then I said to out load; "I hope it is a stop sign..." Just then I came around the corner and saw that traffic light. Yes I was on the way to work. None the less I was wasted all night.

I was glad that that happened and I know what I was doing to myself. I leaned the word "NO!" After a while I tried to get hours when I started at the

I have a collection of newsletters I wrote for my

enjoyment. I put them all in books.

amusement and gave to my friends and family for their

same time and/or maybe cut my hours back.

After about nine month I need to get out of there. I asked to get on regular hours and they said it wasn't to happen. I said; "Yes it is!" and turned in my time.

I enjoyed the work but I figured my mental health was more important.

The moral of this story is to remember that once in a while you can handle long hours but too many hours without a day off is not good.

Heard on the Radio

I was listening to public radio station the last few days, 91.5 FM. This morning they were talking about random things that were strange. Because I was not remembering the whole story I went to the internet to get the details.

I think you might like this story.

Please Return to Laura Buxton

Once there was a little girl who lived in Staffordshire, England named Laura Buxton. Laura was ten years old on this day, her birthday.

On a whim, Laura Buxton decided to do something sort of like sending a message in a bottle, only with one of her birthday balloons. So, on one side of the helium balloon, she wrote PLEASE RETURN TO LAURA BUXTON, and on the other, her address. Then she set free the balloon, watching it float off into the sky. She thought she would never see the balloon again.

The journey begins..

Buxton's balloon had made it across the country and ended its journey when it became stuck in the hedge on the property of another little girl's family in the countryside of Wilt.

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The little girl was also 10 years old. She was also named Laura Buxton.

So the second girl, called "Laura #2", wrote a letter to "Laura #1" - The first Laura got the letter and was shocked.

After that, the two girls arranged to meet, and when they did, they were surprised to discover more similarities:







First, they looked alike - They were the same height, had the same hair color, and were dressed in similar outfits, both wearing pink jumpers and jeans.

They each had brought, unbeknownst to the other, their pet hamster (or was it guinea pig?) with them to the meeting. Both guinea pigs were brown and each had an orange patch on their bottom. Each girl had a pet rabbit - a gray one, and a 3-year-old black Labrador, which were stunning coincidences.

Source: <u>hubpages.com/hub/PLEASE-RETURN-TO-LAURA-BUXTON</u>

Think About Random

Since my newsletter is what I call Random Thought I am always looking up other random thing up on the internet. Tonight it was Random Acts of Kindness.

After viewing many sites they are giving list of random acts of kindness for you to do. Are they really random if you are reading them from a list?

I think maybe you should just do something nice for no reason at all. Do it because it may make you feel better.

The person you do it to will feel good in your fall out. Making yourself feel good may make someone else feel good. Then they might do a good deed to their self feel good and cause someone feel good and they might do the same.

Woops I think I started something here. What a good way to start the year!

6-Jan-10 8:03am 12°

Many Birthdays

Wow 3 Birthdays today! All three work the same place. Kim, Mike and Kelley all work at the Three Brother Restaurant. I wish you all a Happy Birthday!

7-Jan-10 1-:14pm 20°

I woke up to a bunch of snow to move before I went for breakfast. After I

returned I had another inch sitting the waiting for me to remove. I decided to wait until we got that other 6 to 10 inches they forecasted. It looks like it has just started to snow again.

Tomorrow morning I will have to move snow before breakfast. I wonder how much it will really snow.

Today has seemed like a very long day. It seemed like every time I looked at the clock the time had only past five minutes. I watched a movie and event that seemed like it only took 5 minutes. Then I took a nap that seemed likes hours and it was only ten minutes. Now it is after ten o'clock and is seems like two weeks have passed today.

I think I will have some hot cocoa and go to bed and sleep it off. Good night!

8-Jan-10 5:38pm 12°

I got up late and missed breakfast with the guys. Then I moved some of the snow so Becky could deliver the mail without getting too much snow on her feet. I don't know why I did that. She cuts across the lawn most of the time. All of my mail carrier do that. I guess I just do it to make me feel good.

So after a while I got the snow blower out to do the rest of the snow and I got about eight feet and the belt broke again. That was the third belt since December 9th. So rather than fixing it myself I took it to the shop.

Bob came over with his snow thrower and help. In 2 minutes here had more snow removed than I would have had in a half hour by hand. Thanks Bob!











I am having them checking it out to see what it is going to take to fix my snow thrower. It cost me about \$350. And this is its third year so it has only cost me about 33¢ per day. And this is the first trouble I have with it.

I can buy a new one that is gas powered with a 4 stroke gas engine for less than \$400.

After I see what is wrong with this one and what it will cost I will decide it I get a new one this year.

I like to save energy but I would rather have a snow thrower without dragging that cord around. The electric mower would use less energy than gas it the long run. I would use less energy using a cordless gas snow thrower.

In a couple of days I'll see what it will cost to fix this one.

Slow Down

I am sure most of you have seen this sign in you travels. I always thought it meant it was the fasted speed that you should be diving and you should do whatever you can to drive this speed or less.

Some times you get distracted and go a little fasted and go faster and might not notice. When you are distracted and not watching your rearview mirror at the same time and the police stop y



Please note this is not a speed sign for going east or west. ☺

same time and the police stop you and seem to be mad at someone it may because he has been following you for a long time. You should never ask what you were doing wrong. You should not get him any madder even if you are sure you were in the right.

I sorry I am not going to say who I am talking about. The first ticket you ever get can be scary.

Pay the fine and go to driving school and all will be fine.

Driving is a full time job, pay attention!

9-Jan-10 10:47am 11°

Wow 9 days of this year already. I hope you people who have made resolutions haven't given up yet. I try not to make them so I do not have to set myself up for failure. I just try to make minor changes as the year progresses.

Seen in the Newspaper

Today in the Harold there was story about Jack LaLanne. Do you know he is 95 years old and still going strong?

For you who do not know Jack LaLanne, he is an American fitness, exercise, nutritional expert, and motivational speaker who has been called "the godfather of fitness". He has published numerous books on fitness and hosted a fitness television show between 1951 and 1985. He gained recognition for his success as a bodybuilder, as well as his prodigious feats of strength. He has been inducted to the California Hall of Fame and has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jack_LaLanne

I remember watching him on the TV when I was a kid and more recently on his info commercials selling his juicer. If he is 95 and looking that good I best get on the stick if I am going to live to 154 years old.





New Birthdays

No not today these are added to the list. Tom H on December 1st and Tom's dad on November 1st. I will add to the list today.

Words of Wisdom

I have been getting a newsletter from Dick Sutphen for a long time. There are always some words to get you thinking. In this week is no different. I thought I would share this with you.

REPLACING ILLUSIONS

You live in an illusion created by the way you view what happens to you. The illusion is the result of all your previous experiences being projected into the current situation.

There is a Zen story about a man who was sitting in the middle of the road drawing his arms forward and back as if rowing a boat.

Since he was blocking the road, a traveler asked him, "What are you doing? Are you crazy?"

"I'm rowing a boat," replied the man. "I have room for you if you want to join me."

"But there is no boat," said the traveler.

"No boat? Oh my God, we'd better start swimming," replied the panicked man.

When you finally realize the illusion, do not immediately create another one. It is time to explore what is -- what is reality and what is illusion, what can be changed and what cannot be changed. It is time to recognize the difference.

In a dim light you might see a length of rope lying on the ground and believe it to be a snake. The snake is not real, but your mind projects the fear as real. Naturally, you respond to the fear. Maybe you tremble. Maybe you run and fall. You could even have a heart attack and die. But all the while there was never any snake at all. You created and projected it into reality.

It follows that your familiar world is not real. It is simply your projection of the world, which is why the eastern mystics call it maya -- an illusion. Yes, the world exists but your mind distorts it and creates great misunderstandings. Your conscious beliefs about philosophy, relationships and society confuse it further, and your deeper beliefs about who and what you are blur reality even more.

If your mind is wrong, maybe no-mind is right. No-mind would be a matter of ceasing to compare one thing or person to another. No division. No prejudice. No judgment. No blame. It would mean you accept

unalterable realities (what is). There would be no past and no future -- only now.

Meditate upon comparisons and illusions and how they could affect the manifestation of your desires. Web Site: http://www.dicksutphen.com/html/webcol402.html Source: Newsletter from Dick Sutphen

JUST FOR GRINS

"Wine is necessary for a man so that he can have a good opinion of himself...undisturbed by the facts." Finley Peter Dunne (1867-1936) Writer and Humorist

URL: http://www.eckraus.com Source winemaking@eckraus.com Newsletter

10-Jan-10 4:48pm 10°

Well today is 01-10-10 unlike 10 days ago when it was 01-01-10. And the temperature is 10° too. \odot

I am sure you are excited about that. You are aren't you?

Swiss Army Knife

Ten or fifteen years ago my Swiss Army knife needed to be repaired and I set is aside to take care of later. The other day I noticed it was still laying there. I knew that it had a life time warranty and I found the receipt dated 1992. So I packaged it up along the \$3.00 to get it fixed. Tomorrow I will mail it off to New York to get fixed.

Back in 1992 it was \$3.00 and today it is still just \$3.00 to get it fixed. Why can't they do that for car, computers, washing machines, and whatever?

I wonder what else I could get from the Swiss Army.

Get this; you can get Swiss Army knives, cutlery, travel gear, camping gear, and time pieces. But did you know they also have fragrances? Yes I guess even if you you to smell like the Swiss Army.













11-Jan-10 6:18pm 21°

Swiss Army Knife update

I mailed it out today to get fixed. I looked up what it would cost to buy a new one today. It is about \$72 dollars. I only paid \$22 in 1992. It just cost me about 6 dollars to send it in to be repaired. Considered I haven't used it in years because of the loose blade and when it comes back I won't be able to take it anywhere because it is a knife and it would be concealed. Is this a good investment? Oh well!

From the INBOX

I received this in an email from Bill and I thought you may like it.

OH HELL YEAH!

Love This Comeback !!!!!

One of my sons serves in the military. He is still stateside, here in California. He called me yesterday to let me know how warm and welcoming people were to him and his troops everywhere he goes, telling me how people shake their hands and thank them for being willing to serve and fight for not only our own freedoms, but so that others may have them also.

But he also told me about an incident in the grocery store that he stopped at yesterday on his way home from the base. He said that ahead of several people in front of him stood a woman dressed in a burkha. He said when she got to the cashier she loudly remarked about the U.S. flag lapel pin the cashier wore on her smock. The cashier reached up and touched the pin, and said proudly, 'Yes, I always wear it and probably always will..'

The woman in the burkha then asked the cashier when she was going to stop bombing her countrymen, explaining that she was Iraqi.;

A gentleman standing behind my son stepped forward. Putting his arm around my son's shoulders and nodding towards my son, he said in a calm and gentle voice to the Iraqi woman: "Lady, hundreds of thousands of men and women like this young man have fought and died so that YOU could stand here, in MY country and accuse a check-out cashier of bombing YOUR countrymen. It is my belief that had you been this outspoken in YOUR own country, we wouldn't need to be there today.

But, hey, if you have now learned how to speak out so loudly and clearly, I'll gladly buy you a ticket and pay your way back to Iraq so you can straighten out the mess in YOUR country that you are obviously here in MY country to avoid.

Everyone within hearing distance cheered!"

IF YOU AGREE____ Pass this on to all your proud American friends.
Source: email from Bill

12-Jan-10 11:32am 31°

I went out to get the mail and I noticed I forgot about the snow drifting the other day and Becky had to walk through a foot of snow to get the mail in my box. I see it was the third time. Sorry Becky! The snow is gone now.

Thinking about snow, they called about my snow thrower. It looks like it is beyond repair. The bearing in the housing will not stay in place. The housing is plastic and the housing it all most the same as saying the whole thing.

Yes it is time for a new snow thrower. I like the idea of using an electric snow thrower because they are less noisy and use a lot less energy.

The drawback for me is this one is a little small and I had to drag the cord around. Using the cord I kind of had to do it all twice. If I go a long ways I would have to back track to get the cord out of the way. If I would just use it like a vacuum cleaner I would still the same area 2 or 3 times.

Since this is my third season I have learned it is not the best tool for my driveway and sidewalk. It did a nice job but with light snow it took the same time with a shovel.

It is time for a gas power snow thrower. Tomorrow I will see what they have to replace it.







In the News

I read this in the paper then heard it on the radio. Maybe you didn't hear it so I copied it from the internet just for you.

Tacoma bloodmobile offers beer to blood donors THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TACOMA, Wash. -- A Tacoma-based blood center offers donors a deal: Give a pint of blood, get a pint of beer. Cascade Regional Blood Services says the promotion has worked so well at six Tacoma pubs and breweries; it's expanding its "Give blood, get beer" offer to its bloodmobile for pubs in Federal Way and Steilacoom. Cascade's director of donor resources, Dan Schmitt, says it's a fun way to get more donors, and it's good for the restaurants as well.

The News Tribune of Tacoma reports donors who are at least 21 years old are given a coupon for a free pint of beer. The pub must wait at least four hours after the blood drive ends before donors can cash in on their free pint.

Source:

http://www.seattlepi.com/local/6420ap_wa_beer_for_blood.html

George Score

My George score is now 574.22. I am still using WheresGeorge.com. 3.7% of the George's I have been spotted. Are any of you using WheresGeorge.com people?



Weather Forecast

Thinking about buying a new snow thrower this late in the season I wondered how much more snow we might get. So I headed of to the internet to see what the Farmer's Almanac had to say. They have

always been good with the long-rang weather forecasting.

Here is what I found:

Great Lakes/Midwest U.S. Weather *January 2010*

12th-15th. Snowy, then fair, cold. 16th-19th. Blustery winds. 20th-23rd. Fair, very cold. 24th-27th. Some snow, flurries. 28th-31st. Fair, cold.

February 2010

1st-3rd. Wet, then clearing, cold. **4th-7th.** Clearing, colder. **8th-11th.** Major storm brings heavy snow, with accumulations of 8"-15". **12th-15th.** More snowy weather, especially Great Lakes. **16th-19th.** Fair. **20th-23rd.** Snowstorm. **24th-28th.** Fair, cold.

March 2010

1st-3rd. Fair, cold. **4th-7th.** Stormy by the 7th. **8th-11th.** Stormy, then fair.

Source: http://www.farmersalmanac.com/weather/USA-Midwest-weather

13-Jan-10 9:19am 20°

It feels nice outside this morning. I know 20° is not really nice! After past week's subzero temperatures it feels nice.

The weather guy on the radio say that today it is going to be above freezing for the first time in three weeks. It will be nice when the January thaw get here.

New Snow Thrower

I found out that my snow thrower went out of warranty in November 2009. It had a 2 year warranty. The first belt broke December 9th. Oh well it is gone now and I have a new one.

This snow thrower is a little bigger and is gas powered. It cost \$385.00. It also has a two year warranty. This means on January 12, 2012 will be the last day it will work. All I have to do is put gas in it to run it and change the oil once in a while.

Now I have to wait for snow from the snow gods so I can see how well it













works. Remember that the Farmer's Almanac says little snow the rest of this month.

Do you remember when I bought the last one it was just before Thanksgivings 2007. It snowed and a week later the grass was green then it snow again. Then that melted and it did it again. It kept that up all season. I think last year it snowed and it was still on the ground in March. I may have the two years reversed...wait... I will check the pictures.

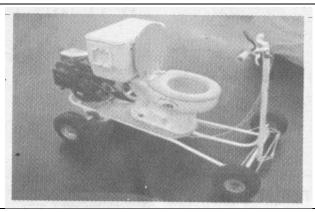
Well I know I took a picture of the thaw when the grass was green in the back yard. A quick scan of the picture of the last two years and it did not jump out at me. Maybe I will find it on a day when I feel like spending more time looking.

Funny Picture

I was looking for an empty file folder to put my tax stuff in and I found a newspaper from Sedona dated April 2003. You know I had to see why I saved it. Here is what caught my eye:



I guess you can see part of this. Here is the story and picture:



Pictured above is one of the vehicles to be used on the "Senior Survivor Show," a pilot to be shot in the near future at an undisclosed location. A leak from the producers' office revealed that the site had been narrowed to Sedona, Prescott or Yuma, Arizona. Cornville, an early favorite of the director, was immediately ruled out, as it is expected to host the "Reality Hillbilly" show later this fall. After the mayor of Atlanta, Georgia complained that the consideration of his city as a location was prejudicial to Southerners, Cornville representatives stepped up and volunteered their burg. After all, where else can you find trailer parks down the road from mansions? by Blodwyn Smythe,

Geriatrics Reporter

Source: Sedona Exocentric April, 2003

The Pilgrims

It looks like Mike & Petra are going to sit out the cold rain in São João da Madeira, Aveiro, Portugal for a bit. I just received an email and Petra is using a hair dryer on her shoes. I had told Mike the other day that he needed to have a camp fire in the hotel to keep warm. I guess a hair dryer is much better.

14-Jan-10 5:57pm 32°

How Old is It

I have been telling people my microwave is very old. I remember I bought it when Wards first started selling them. I remember it was the Monogamy Wards that used to be in Crystal Lake where Sears is today. I never remembered how long ago that was. Well I just saw picture of my kitchen counter when I lived on East Jackson. It is dated 1974.







Yes that means that the microwave is at least 36 years old. Wow!



This issue is getting filled up so I think I will put in Marty's Random Eateries and see how much space it left.

Marty's Random Eateries

3 Star Pizza

Angelo's Restaurant

Beef Village

Bella's Inc

Blimpe Sub & Salads

Bull Valley Golf Club

Burger King

Chop Suey Hut

Cobblestone's

Coleman & Company

Crystal Woods Golf Club Rstrnt

Culver's of Woodstock

D. C. Cobb's

Dairy Queen

Deeter's Restaurant Inc

Dunkin' Donuts / Baskin-Robbins

El Niagara Mexican Restaurant

Elks Lodge /The Supper Club

Fastacos

Green Garden

Gus's Roadhouse

Isabel's Family Restaurant

Jenapea's

Jimmy John's

Julie Ann's Frozen Custard Inc.

Kaleidoscope Ice Cream And More

LA Azteca Restaurant & Grocery Store

La Petite Creperie

La Tejanita Number Two

Liquid Blues Limited

Little Cesaer's Pizza

Mc Donald's

Mixteca Produce Inc

Moose Lodge

Napoli Pizza Place

O'Leary's Pub On the Square

Panda Garden













Papa Murphy's Take 'n' Bake

Peg & Ted's Red Mill

Pirro's Restaurante

Pizza Hut

Popeye's Chicken & Biscuits

Quiznos

Rosati's Pizza

Stage left

Starbucks

Subway (Wal-Mart)

Subway Sandwich & Salads

Taco Bell

Three Brothers Family Restaurant

Tommy's Red Hots

Town & Country Restaurant #2

Trax Depot Café

Two Tails Eatery

Vaughan's Family Restaurant

VFW

Washington Street Station Bar & Eatery

Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers

Woodstock Public House

Woodstock Town Tap

Zio's Franceso Pizza

Source: Marty's hard work

This should be all the eateries in Woodstock. I have gone over and over it the list but could have very well missed something. If I missed some please let me know or if any of them have closed since I put them in this list let me know so I can update my list. I posted the current list on my website at http://www.doerofthings.com/lists/restau rants/

If you want to review any of the eateries leave me a note and I will post it. Just give a note or post it online. Let me know if you want to use your name.

I have a collection of newsletters I wrote for my

enjoyment. I put them all in books.

amusement and gave to my friends and family for their

Go to http://www.martysrandomthoughts.com/ and click on "Contact Marty" or write on a piece of paper and give it to me.

15-Jan-10 4:57pm 25°

Birthdays

We have two birthdays today. That is 2 on my list, Robert L. Ripley and my niece Tonya. Happy Birthday Bob and Tonya!

How Old is It

I have been telling people my microwave is very old. I remember I bought it when Wards first started selling them. I remember it was the Monogamy Wards that used to be in Crystal Lake where Sears is today. I never remembered how long ago that was. Well I just saw picture of my kitchen counter when I lived on East Jackson. It is dated 1974. Yes that means that the microwave is at least 36 years old. Wow!

16-Jan-10 8:03pm 22°

Birthdays

Today is Mike's birthday. It is also the day that Mike and Petra started out on their journey to Jerusalem. The last time checked they had covered 9538 miles.

Happy Birthday Mike!

17-Jan-10 10:01pm 26°

That was some neat frozen fog this morning. It was too foggy this morning to get and good pictures.



This is fog frozen on the edge of the holly bush in my back yard.

This issue has come to its random end. Marty









Pine trees on the way to Crystal Lake

Birthday List

January

Date Birthday
Jan 01 Ned H
Jan 06 Kim M
Jan 06 Mike A
Jan 06 Kelley H
Jan 15 Tonya M
Jan 15 Robert L. R.
Jan 16 Mike M

Jan 20 Hilda

Jan 20 George Burns (1896-1995)

Jan 22 Sandi & Larry's Anniversary (1991)

Jan 23 Ethan H

Jan 24 Ina

Jan 26 Chelli M

Jan 31 Steve B

February

Date Birthday Feb 02 Josh H

Feb 02 Sam H (3 Bro's)

Feb 05 Kim H (1952) (3 Bro's)

Feb 06 Laurie S. -1960-2010

Feb 13 Brenda P. (Telley's wife)

Feb 13 Druata

Feb 14 Kim's Dad

Feb 16 Nicky H.

Feb 16 Devyn J

Feb 19 Chad P

Feb 20 Jessica Mc (1982)

Feb 26 Shirley M









