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22-Sep-10 10:19 65°

I guess our heat wave from yesterday is over. The rains storm must have scared it away.

Getting Behind

I am printing issue 79 right now. Do you believe this issue is the 80th issue of Marty's Random Thoughts? It seems like I keep having thoughts leaking out of my brain and running down my arms and out my fingers and into the keyboard and onto paper in the form of my newsletter.

I know someone is reading the newsletter because I had a couple people ask me if they could have a copy.

The last few weeks have broken up my routine. I loaned Marie my car. Because of that I pulled all the printed issues of the newsletter out so it didn't look so cluttered. Then I had the truck die so I didn't get the newsletters delivered. Then I went over and got the motor home and forgot all about my paper route.

Now I have another batch to deliver. I wonder where those

back issues are. I should pass them out. Someone is going to have a lot to read.

23-Sep-10 10:35am 75°

Kind of a Mystery

I have the name "Jessica Baker" in the birthday list for January 6th, 1982. I think I know who this is but I need someone to confirm it. Can you help?

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Correction

Spelling

Anila, thank you for bring this to my attention.

In the previous issuer I misspelled another name. I fixed Checo's names and all the newsletters printed and online. I think only two copies out away from me without the correction.

I am sorry Checo you are not "Chico" any more.

Wrong Name

While sitting in Town & Country the other day a guy came in to sit down and Anila addressed him with the name "Ray". I thought his name was "Ken." He was the same guy that had a birthday on Sep. 15th. So Now Ken is really Ray. That means that I don't know where I came up with Ken in the first place. Ray's birthday is the Sep. 15th. Happy birthday Ray!

I have fixed and updated the calendar.

Windy

I washed some clothes late last night and just remembered I had not put them in the solar dryer. With the wind blowing like it is now they will be dry by the time I return from my doctor's appointment. That is if they don't blow away.

Don't worry my doctor's appointment is for a wellness check. I think I am ok I just like to have the doctor tell me I know what I am talking about.

The Pilgrims

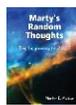
Mike and Petra were scheduled to fly back to Europe yesterday to continue their quest to walk all the way to Jerusalem. I haven't heard if they made it yet.

24-Sep-10 07:39am 60°

Well the wind finally let up. Yesterday I put the laundry out in the wind to dry and forgot it. So it got rinsed again. Late morning it was still quite wet. I gave in and pit it in the dryer.

I think that is the first time I brought the clothes in wetter then when I hung them out. Oh well, the laundry is dry now.

Checkup



Yesterday I went to the doctor for a wellness checkup. And pending the results of the blood test doctor says I am doing fine. Of course I am not sure if "fine" means "ok" or "fine " is what happens when you get caught speeding.

New Ford Escape

This afternoon I drove up to Harvard Ford to try the key they sent me in the mail. If it had opened the box I would have had a Ford Escape. I think I would have taken the \$30,000 instead of a new Escape. As you may have guessed I won a candle that they ran out of so I got some candy instead.

RV Show

After not winning a new Ford I head up to an RV show in Delavan. With my laundry wet I needed to do something so went for a drive. I think I walked through the show in 15 minutes. They had about 50 RVs. Most were trailers and the big ones like I have now. And they were all new.

I am looking for a small one called a class "B". A Class "B" is about the size of a big cargo van. They are sometimes called a van camper. There was nothing there for me.

It was a nice day for a drive!

The Pilgrims

My brother Mike's books

For more details go to

WorksAndWords.com/bookindex.htm

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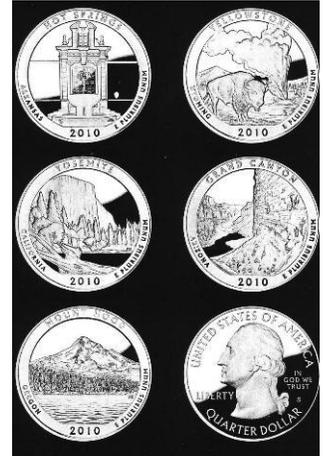


Mike says they made it to Europe.

25-Sep-10 10:30am 53°

Quarters

While going through the mail I find out we should have 5 new quarters this year. I have only seen one of them. Where are the rest of them? Have any of you seen any of them.



I don't get carried away looking for them.

What I do is look at the change I receive and something is shiny I look to see if it is new. I only remember one of the quarters was a 2010.

I have seen a bunch of the new pennies they have a shield on the back. I wonder how many different pennies there is? I'll look that up right now and get back to you...



...I guess there is only one penny. It has the shield on the back.

I know we have other new coins but I have not been watching them very much.

The US Mint is a good place to get more information on the new coins. www.usmint.gov

Birthdays

Happy Birthday Uncle Harold (1914-1985). Thanks for letting me stay at your house for a couple of weeks in the summer of 1957.

26-Sep-10 8:59am 47°

Now I know it is fall. Just look at that temperature!

I must be driving more because I had to buy gas for the car and it has only been 4 weeks.

Whoops! I talked too soon. All summer I have only been filling up once a month. Around the 20th of the month I have filled up for the last 4 months. Before that it was every 6 to 8 weeks.

Maybe I should go on that field trip to Watervliet I have been putting off since spring. Maybe next month, we'll see.

Next Year

I have been thinking of making my newsletter less random next year. Since I retired I have been sitting down in front of the computer doing more and more in the newsletter about what I am thinking at the time. I have been thinking that it has just become a journal.

I have been thinking of doing it different next years. Yes it will still be a lot of my random thoughts but there will just be more organized and less journal like. Maybe a little less rambling like I am doing here.

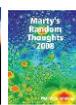
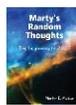
I was thinking I could have a few featured columns in every issue. I am not sure what that really means yet. Looking back at past issues I see there are many things I started telling you about and never let you how the story played out.

Like selling my motor home I never told you why. Or why the windmill hasn't got up on the tower. Or kept you updated on the rumors, gossip, or happenstances. Is that a word?

Yes "happenstance" is a word. It means "coincidence." I like the word "happenstance."

I think of a happenstance as something that just happened because you were there and all the plans of the universe came to gather just so you could be involved and you were paying attention. You know like being in the right place at the right time.

Maybe some of you have more to say and would like a column. Maybe you have something to say. You may want



to say something and don't want anyone to know it is you. You could be phantom writer. Maybe you would like to be called "Happy Face", "Lucky", or "Dirt Bag." I won't tell!

Some of you have ideas on how to do something you would be willing to share. I always glad to hear people's hobbies.

Maybe you want to build a fence and need someone to tell you how to get started. Maybe you want to make a doll house, sew on a buttons, change a light switch, or a check your oil.

I know people that are very smart and still don't know how to do things some of the rest of think it is so simple.

I know someone that I always thought could do almost anything. I have known this person since I was a little kid. We have seen each other off and one for over 50 years. A few years ago I found out the he did not know how to change the plug on an extension cord.

Many of us can just do it. But if you had never had to do this where would you start.

Inside me I thought this was funny until I thought about it. After showing how easy it was he had no problem doing it the next time.

I know I know a lot about computers. Well you may think so. There a lot of times I struggle and need help too.

Hay, I don't want to wait until next year. I could start a column today. I think I will start with a question column. And see how that goes. I think I will call it "Can Someone Help?" Yup, I like that. Any time someone ask me and I don't have the answer I will add it to the list.

Can Someone Help?

Restaurant Reviewer Wanted

I am going to have a column about Restaurants next year and I am looking for people to write reviews. You don't have to do anything elaborate.

I was thinking just go where you want and write a few lines what you thought. Even as simple as; "We had dinner at Joe's Place in Woodstock Jul 27th. There were 3 of us the food was great but the service was slow. It looks like they didn't have enough help that day. We would go back and try it again someday. (Mr. Nobody) "

Or maybe something like this: "I drove by the Train Stop Café and saw a sign that says they went out of business. I loved that place. What happened? (Café Lover)"

Contact

If you would like to help with anything contact me at Thoughts@Marty'sRandomThoughts.com

Wish List

I wish the economy would start getting better. That is if there were jobs for the workers that want them.

28-Sep-10 12:47pm 64°

Before I go out and cut the grass I thought I should talk to you a little.

While at the Three Brothers for lunch I was talking to Kim. I give Kim a printed copy of my newsletter. Somehow she got way behind reading them.

While she was getting caught up she said that I said that "Kim" had told her about the Starbucks closing on the 18th. She said; "I never told you about Starbucks!" I smiled and said;"Kim told me!" then I told her she was no longer the only Kim.

Well for you people don't remember I know two people named Kim. Wait...there are three. This Kim is Kim Mc. There is a Kim H. and the Kim at Starbucks who doesn't have a last name yet.

I am starting to know too many people with the same first name. Since for privacy reason I don't people last name very

often. How about all of you give me your Social Security Numbers? Just kidding! ☺

Pilgrims

Mike and Petra get on a plane tomorrow to go back to Ares to continue their journey to Jerusalem.

Seen on the Street

I stopped by the Post Office and I noticed on Route 47 there was a water truck spraying water along the curb. I thought that was funny because I had not seen them washing down the cubes on the highway for many years.

When I got out to the Three Brothers I saw street sweepers sweeping up the debris on the curb and the side streets at the corner of Lake and Route 47.

When I got inside I asked Kelley if the president was coming to town. I said he must because why else would they be cleaning the highway.

29-Sep-10 1:51pm 72°

Well I didn't get out there to cut the grass yesterday. I best get out there and do it soon. I heard the weather forecast and they say we could get frost over night Sunday. Though the grass would be crispy when frozen is would be wet when I went to cut it. They



stay that it is not good to cut it while it is wet.

Motor home FOR SALE

I took my motor home over to Camping World RV Sales this morning. They are going to sell it for me.

I dropped my car off in Island Lake and Cork gave me a ride home. Then I took the motor home over and filed out the paper work and got the rest of the details for them to sell it for me.

FOR SELL

2006 Fleetwood Fiesta 29j

For details Contact:



Camping World of Chicago
27794 N. Darrell Rd
Wauconda, IL 60084
1-866-885-7621

<http://www.campingworld.com/>

I will put the direct link to the motor home pictures as soon as they get it posted. Please stand by...

Anniversary

In 1976 Cork & Diane's went to a wedding, theirs. Happy 34th Anniversary Cork and Diane

Birthday

Happy Birthday Uncle Bob (1921-1964)

Coffee

I just remembered that I haven't been up to have coffee at Starbucks since they started doing the remodeling. I have driven by there but have not stopped.

They cut holes in the two front windows to serve coffee on the sidewalk. It is just like at a drive up window but it is a walk up.

Maybe I should stop once and get a coffee before they move back inside.

30-Sep-10 8:17am 52°

Well today is the end the end of the month that is. This month sure went fast for me.

Why is it that the some months pass through time faster than others? Maybe it is because September only has 30 days and most others have 31. Seven months (58%) with 31 days. Four have only 30 days. (33%) And of course there is February who can't make up her mind if it should have 28 or 29 days. Twenty-five percent of her mind she wants 29 days.

I guess one month out of twelve has to be different. That is only 8%. I guess if you look around 8% of a lot of other things are different too. Anyway September went too fast!

Garden

I have Gourds to harvest. I have to look up how you do that again. There are quite a few on the vines and they look like they are ready.

Maybe with the Egg Plants in the green house I may get some of them later.

Now that September is about over I have to get those plants out of a possible frost.

With October starting tomorrow can it much longer before Thanksgivings Day?

Calendar

- 3rd Matt M
- 16th Arlo
- 18th Samantha W
David P
- 22nd Tristan and David's Wedding
- 23rd Annette C.
Tom P
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