

Marty's Random News

Woodstock, IL

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Random New Things:

I have been getting these paper copies on jokes. I hope I start getting them electronically (email) soon. These paper copies are pass along copies so I do not get to keep them.

Looks like Aunt Annie is going to get those squeaky brakes checked out. They have been driving the rest of us crazy. I guess she caved in to us telling he about the noise.

I am leaving here soon to see if they got my new glasses made. I went in for a checkup last month and this will be the third pair of lenses. The first pair did work right. I got re-examed this time and I guess they the description was wrong. Wait I mean prescription was wrong. I guess it could be a description. They wrote it down wrong. ☺ Well I best get going now. I'll let you know later how these work out.

I am back from getting my new lenzes. I can see much better now. Since most of the problem was with bright lights at night I will need to wait until I am out at at night. Glasess are fin now. 3 is the charm.

Random Updates:

Heather had her baby on Nov. 12. Named her Olivia Eris. I remember them telling me 7 lbs 9 ounces. Is that big? Us guys don't know! Healthy mother and child is what count.

I haven't been out to check on Anila & Adben's new house. Anila tells me it still will be in December some time. And she does not understand why there will be no grass planted this year. She says others are going are getting grass. I tried to let her now that grass is one of the last things they do. It will be winter and it won't grow any way. Spring is a better time to plant grass. But maybe with this nice weather we have been having she might get grass for Christmas.

Mike is getting closer to having his book ready for al of us. Last he told me was that he was proofing the samples.

I think I have all of the old copies of my newsletters posted on my web site for you to view if you are so inclined. Just go to www.doerofthings.com and click on the "Marty's Random Thought" on the top of the page. Marty's Random Thought was the blog I had on my site. It was too much to maintain with all of the things I was doing. And then spammers started putting ads in the comments. That alone is a pain to keep cleaned out. So for now it will be this newsletter.

Random Worth Pondering:

"A horse may be coaxed to drink, but a pencil must be lead." --
Stan Laurel

Random Help Wanted:

I just was going over the last issue of Marty's Random News and I see a bunch of typos. So if I keep doing this I am going to need an editor. This job will pay nothing. The responsibility will to show me the errors of my ways. Wait, I mean to proof read the newsletter and check my woopz. 'Spell check' doesn't fix every thing.

Random Riddle:

It is the beginning of eternity, the end of time and space, the beginning of the end, and the end of every space. What is it?
Answer below.

Random Get Well:

I found out this morning that Sandy was in the Hospital having an operation. I wish her a "Get well soon." This is Sandy with a "Y" not Sandi with an "I". I think she is just fine.

Random Bumper Snicker:

"A chocolate donut in each hand. Now that's a balanced diet!"

Random Question / Answers:

"What is Thanksgiving day all about?" was asked of a friend of mine. This friend is new to this country and has answers for almost every thing. The reply was very quick. "It is the day Martin Luther King came this country and became president." The next question was then why do we celebrate Christmas. Again the quick answer is that is the Presidents birthday." After hearing this I asked my friend what these date was and she insured me she was pulling these peoples legs. Thanksgivings day is an American holiday and Christmas is a Christian holiday and both are commercial events in the United States. People all know that Thanksgivings is the day you eat as much as you can so you can watch the football game and shop all day on the following Friday. And Christmas is what you spent that Friday getting ready for. ☺

Random Trivia:

In 2001, there were more than 300 banana-related accidents in Britain, most involving people slipping on skins.

Random Riddle Answer:

The letter E.

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Random Meanings:

Thanksgiving Day is a day set aside each year for giving thanks to God for blessings received during the year. On this day, people give thanks with feasting and prayer. The holiday is celebrated in the United States and Canada.

What is the History of Thanksgiving?

The first Thanksgiving Days in New England were harvest festivals, or days for thanking God for plentiful crops. For this reason, the holiday still takes place late in the fall, after the crops have been gathered. For thousands of years, people in many parts of the world have held harvest festivals. The American Thanksgiving Day probably grew out of the harvest-home celebrations of England.

In the United States, Thanksgiving is usually a family day, celebrated with big dinners and joyous reunions. The very mention of Thanksgiving often calls up memories of kitchens and pantries crowded with good things to eat. Thanksgiving is also a time for serious religious thinking, church services, and prayer.

The first Thanksgiving observance in America was entirely religious and did not involve feasting. On Dec. 4, 1619, a group of 38 English settlers arrived at Berkeley Plantation, on the James River near what is now Charles City, Va. The group's charter required that the day of arrival be observed yearly as a day of thanksgiving to God.

The first Thanksgiving in New England was celebrated in Plymouth less than a year after the Plymouth colonists had settled in America. The first dreadful winter in Massachusetts had killed about half the members of the colony. But new hope arose in the summer of 1621. The settlers expected a good corn harvest, despite poor crops of peas, wheat, and barley. Thus, in early autumn, governor William Bradford arranged a harvest festival to give thanks to God for the progress the colony had made.

The festival lasted three days. The men of Plymouth had shot ducks, geese, and turkeys. The menu also included clams, eel and other fish, wild plums and leeks, corn bread, and watercress. The women of the settlement supervised cooking over outdoor fires. About 90 Indians also attended the festival. They brought five deer to add to the feast. Everyone ate outdoors at large tables and enjoyed games and a military review. Similar harvest Thanksgivings were held in Plymouth during the next several years, but no traditional date was set.

Later Thanksgiving Days in the United States. The custom of Thanksgiving Day spread from Plymouth to other New England colonies. During the Revolutionary War, eight special days of thanks

were observed for victories and for being saved from dangers. In 1789, President George Washington issued a general proclamation naming November 26 a day of national thanksgiving. In the same year, the Protestant Episcopal Church announced that the first Thursday in November would be a regular yearly day for giving thanks.

For many years, the country had no regular national Thanksgiving Day. But some states had a yearly Thanksgiving holiday. By 1830, New York had an official state Thanksgiving Day, and other Northern states soon followed its example. In 1855, Virginia became the nation's first Southern state to adopt the custom.

There is a lot more on Thanksgivings at this web site:
<http://www.annieshomepage.com/thanksgivinghistory.html>

Random Stock Prediction:

Company	Today	2-3 Months	6-9 Months
Caterpillar (CAT)	61.60	68.00	79.00
Toyota Motors (TM)	117.44	122.00	100.00
Cummins (CMI)	118.23	130.00	unknown
Boeing (BA)	87.94	85.00	unknown
Dow Chemical (DOW)	39.65	41.00	unknown

Today is 11/28/2006

Predictions are based on the gap that needs to be filled. And these are my guesses.

Invest at your own risk.

Marty

Random want list:

What do you want for Christmas?

I go this key in the mail that might give me great thing if I want to Lake Geneva and try to use it. The flyer has 3-4 winning numbers on it and I have to go up there between tomorrow and December 2nd. Any one want to go for a ride? The ad say I can buy some of the car for as little as \$1.00 down but there is an astric (*) next to it.

Random Picture:

This is a random picture. I know not what it be. It looks like a neat rock so I just put it here to fill the space.



The random end

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