
Marty's Random News

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Random Thoughts:

So another couple holidays have passed. I hope all of you all enjoyed. I did!

I had a whole lot of things to write about but I cannot think of any of them right now.

I spent part of New Years Eve with friends watching the Bears until we started to fall a sleep. Bears lost! This was some thing new for me. Most New Years Eves I stay home to practice writing the New Year so I do not use the old one after I return to work. You know 07, 07, 07, 07.... this is 2007 now.

Anila and her family are moved in to their new house. Aunt Annie and I stopped by and they have very nice house.

Looks like after our snow the first of December is about it. The only snow I see was the big piles left in parking lots. I tried to get them to sell some it for Christmas at Wal-Mart when I was shopping. They just smiled. My brother, Mike, said that they have had very little in Germany. Guess we will need to wait for out April or May snow storm. I can wait.

Does any one have any New Years goals out there? It the 3rd today and I have gone one day in a row so far. Tomorrow is another day. Today I eat less and walked on the treadmill at work for 20 minutes. I should wipe the dust off my treadmill at home and use it too. After all it is in front of the TV so I can do two things at once. Maybe I could put a keyboard and mouse on it and I could edit this newsletter.

Jan. 14th now. Not much more has happened this year. I have been back to work doing projects for people that wait until the last minute. One of these days they will need to do these things for there self.

I have built a new server for my email and web site. The server I have been using for 2-3 years has been getting flaky and it needs to be rebuilt. I just got the new Web/Mail server up and running and the firewall server crapped out. The firewall server does not have to be a very powerful computer so I had an old one that did the job very well. I just went with out any email for 24 hours while I got things going again. For those of you who don't know I host my own Web and Email server and I have to have a good firewall to help keep the hacker out of my stuff. I do this myself for two reasons. First I know how and second it is fun for me. Things don't always go as I want but after a while I get it working.

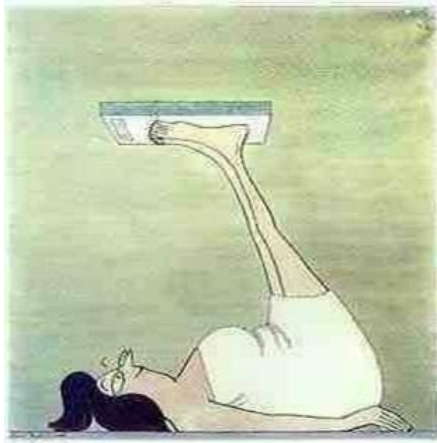
So I spent the first couple weeks of the year getting my stuff working. And today I spent a few hours replacing a failed hard drive at work. It would not have taken so much time except half the way to work I remembered I forgot my keys. It is Sunday so I was the only one there so I needed my key! I almost got to work and remembered I did not have my badge. You need your badge to get in after you unlock the outside door. I had my key so I figured I would be ok. Good thing I did not go in to the lunchroom for a cup of coffee before I started working on the computer. It is a

matter fact that I could not get into the computer room with out my badge. You see the badge is also a smart key that opens the doors. My key would not let me out of there. Yes, I made a third trip home before I got my act together to replace the hard drive. And this was another one of my five-minute projects. Yah Sure!

After getting that going I returned to finish it while I watched the Bears win a game. If memory servers they only have 2 more games to win. Well let's get some fun stuff in the newsletter.

Random How To:

How to weigh yourself.



I can't believe I was doing it wrong all these years. From Arlene

Random Stock Prediction up

<i>Company</i>	<i>date:</i>	<i>2-3</i>	<i>6-9</i>
	<i>11-28</i>	<i>01/12 Months</i>	<i>Months</i>
Caterpillar (CAT)	61.60	59.74	68.00 79.00
Toyota Motors (TM)	117.44	130.89	122.00 100.00
Cummins (CMI)	118.23	116.75	130.00 unknown
Boeing (BA)	87.94	88.13	85.00 unknown
Dow Chemical (DOW)	39.65	40.44	41.00 unknown

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

Invest at you own risk.

Marty

Random Bumper Snicker:

"I'm not gaining weight. I'm retaining food!"

Random RV thought:

A motorhome is the only home in the world with headlights.

Random Rumors:

I hear Melanie is getting married. That is all I have heard so far. Maybe just gossip!

Random Weather History:

I have a weather station where I collected some data last year. I will share you some of the stats.

2006 Month	Temperature High	Temperature Low	Inch Prec.*	Wind Speed Avg.	Days it High got wet*
Jan	50.1	12.2	1.92	2.5	29 8
Feb	53.4	-12.8	0.48	2.7	29 4
Mar	71.3	14.5	3.29	2.6	35 12
Apr	82.2	27.6	2.37	2.5	31 11
May	100.1	34.4	3.09	1.4	29 14
Jun	99.8	43.9	1.93	1.3	22 11
Jul	104.3	54.0	2.68	1.3	27 8
Aug	103.6	52.8	2.48	1.1	35 9
Sep	87.2	38.1	2.42	1.0	25 16
Oct	82.0	24.1	3.23	1.8	29 11
Nov	63.3	18.7	2.17	2.2	29 5
Dec	49.4	4.0	1.68	2.5	24 5

For more detail go to: www.doerofthings.com/weather

* Snow measured as rain(melted snow) Days got wet is when Precipitation was over 0.01"

As for weather they say we are going to get some Rain & Snow the next couple days. They said that last week too. So I will print out this newsletter before it happens.

Random Picture:



My piggy bank after filling my car up. From Arlene