

Marty's Random Thoughts

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Random Thoughts:

Jan 18, 2006

Today I am printing the January newsletter. I think I reprinted then 4 times now. The first time I use the cheap paper. Well it printed so you could see both side at once. The second time I put the paper in wrong and printed the back and front on the same side of the paper. So the next time I think I did the first side and went to work. When I returned home I put the paper in the printer and printer the same thing on the back. So here is how it should be done.

If you are using my color printer, you put the paper in the printer and print page 1. Paper is blank to start with so this will go well. Now after that is done printing you must load the paper with the blank side down and top of the page go in first. I just checked and it is printing right.

Wait...I'll check again! Okay! It is right this time!

It is a good thing I only publish about ten these newsletters. If this was the *Tribune* there may have been a hundred thousand papers mess up.

I have fell off the wagon. That is my goal to eat better and move around more. You know Diet and Exercise. Monday I made a batch of brownies. They're gawn. And I haven't been on the Treadmill since Monday either. So I got about 2 weeks on those Resolutions. Well I did get the Jan 2007 newsletter printed finally.

Jan. 19, 2007

I was catching up on reading the last three "RV Travel" newsletters I get emailed. There are a couple things I felt you might like to read.

Worth Pondering

"It's only when you look at an ant through a magnifying glass on a sunny day that you realize how often they burst into flames." -- *Harry Hill*

Random RV Thought

"It is a universal rule of life that a motorhome or tow vehicle that only breaks down only once every few years will do so during that rare instance where there is no cell phone service."

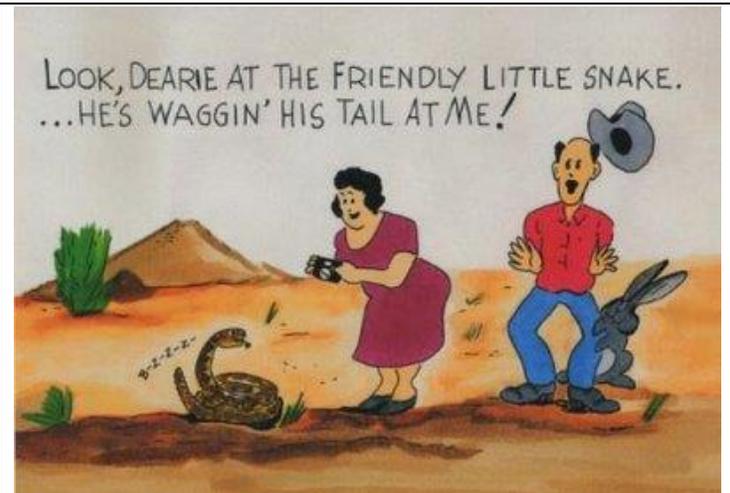
<http://rvtravel.com/publish/newsletter/issue258.shtml>

Here is a neat thing you might want to look at. This video is the world's shortest runway. Sorry

this one is for you people who have Internet access.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ihvJuMIRFVs>

Here are a couple more things from another issue of "RV Travel".



A Post Card from a road trip.

Bumper Snicker

"I'm still a hot babe, but now it comes in flashes."

Worth Pondering

"As soon as folks see my face on the movie screen they know two things: First, I'm not going to get the girl and second, I'll get a cheap funeral before the picture is over." -- *Lee Marvin*

Random RV Thought

"Always bring along a few flashlights on your RV trips. Make sure you have one big one, and put couple of small ones in your junk drawer or elsewhere. And you should always have a small keychain light. You never know when you will need some light and a flashlight can save the day, even an itty bitty one."

<http://rvtravel.com/publish/newsletter/issue259.shtml>

That is enough RV stuff. Thanks *RV Travel*.

More Random Thoughts:

01/27/07

Yesterday I told my boss, Matt, that I too have had enough and that I am ready to leave Knaack. I asked him to tell no one until after we had time to sit down and figure out how long he would like me to stay to while they found some one to replace me. We will talk Monday and then I will let HR know. I told him I would stay a reasonable amount of time but that I was looking at March 4th, 2007. That is the day when I would have been there 22 years. I also told him any day

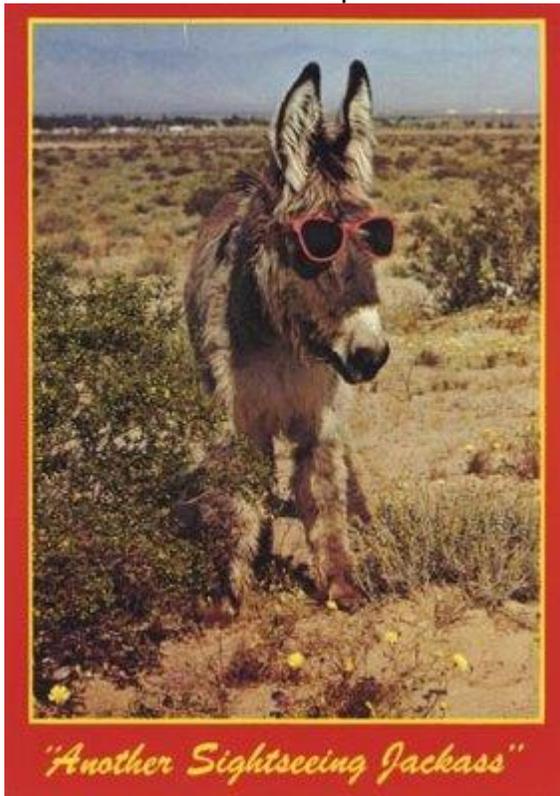
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Here is another travel post card.



Source: <http://rvtravel.com/blog/chuck/2007/01/postcard-of-week-critter-with.html>

Random Worth Pondering

"I know for sure that what we dwell on is who we become." -- *Oprah Winfrey*

Groundhog day:

February 2 falls halfway between Winter Solstice and Spring Equinox, on a day Europeans called Candlemas Day. A sunny Candlemas Day meant more wintry weather; a cloudy one meant the end of winter. Settlers in Pennsylvania found their Candlemas Day customs aligned nicely with the native Delaware Indian's reverence for groundhogs. In a satisfying bit of American synergy, the cultures meshed. Hence, when the noble groundhog emerges on February 2, his shadow (or lack thereof) predicts the weather.

And according to Keith C. Heidorn, PhD, also known as "The Weather Doctor", in the short term, Punxsutawney Phil's shadow might be pretty good at predicting the weather. "Sunny winter day at these latitudes indicates a weather

situation likely dominated by a cold high pressure system. Such conditions may last for another day or two or three. A winter day with grey skies and weak sun giving no shadow usually indicates that a frontal system dominates the weather, generally the influx of warmer, moist air from the Gulf of Mexico. (This system will likely be followed by a surge of cold arctic air within a few days, however.)"

Source: Davis Weather Club newsletter

So as I have always said: "If the groundhog sees his shadow then there will be 6 more weeks of winter. No shadow then 6 more weeks until spring." Sure has been cold the last few days!

More Random Thoughts:

02/03/07

Now that I have only 20 more workdays I need to tie up loose ends at work. That means get rid of the stuff that no one else will ever need. Tell people what I do so they can go on with out me. Hell, it is like I am going to die and they don't want to deal with my stuff. It is not a death for me. It is like getting re-born. It is like starting over in a new life. I have not thought a lot about what I will be doing in the new life yet but it will be lining a new path in life. Next week I will start making it public that I am retiring. I haven't really told many people yet. I cannot wait to tell people. I held back for a week so I could let it sink in for me first. After the news is out I can start to think about what is next.

Random Worth Pondering

"Conditions are never just right. People who delay action until all factors are favorable do nothing." — *William Feather*
Random RV Thought,

"An RV is an excellent sanctuary from the rain and cold. Inside you are dry and the heater will keep you warm. But one element that an RV does not always shelter you from well is a strong wind. Yes, you will likely be protected from the wind itself, but

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the RV may very well be rockin' and rolling' from it, making for an experience somewhat like an extended earthquake."

Source: <http://rvtravel.com/publish/newsletter/issue261.shtml>

Random Sources:
02/04/07

I get a lot of the stuff for my newsletter from sources other than my head. If they all came from my head the pages might be blank. Or at least scrambled like the eggs I eat. I try to post the sources for you so you can check it out if you are so inclined.

Da Bears:

In about five hours the Chicago Bears will be playing the Colts in the super bowl. Most of you know I am not really a sports person. Well I got all caught up in this Bears game. I am wearing my colors today. I plan on watching the game and best of all I am cheering for the Bears. I even have a prediction for the out come. I predict the score to be 28 – 25 the Bears win.



The Bears were NFL Champs in 1946

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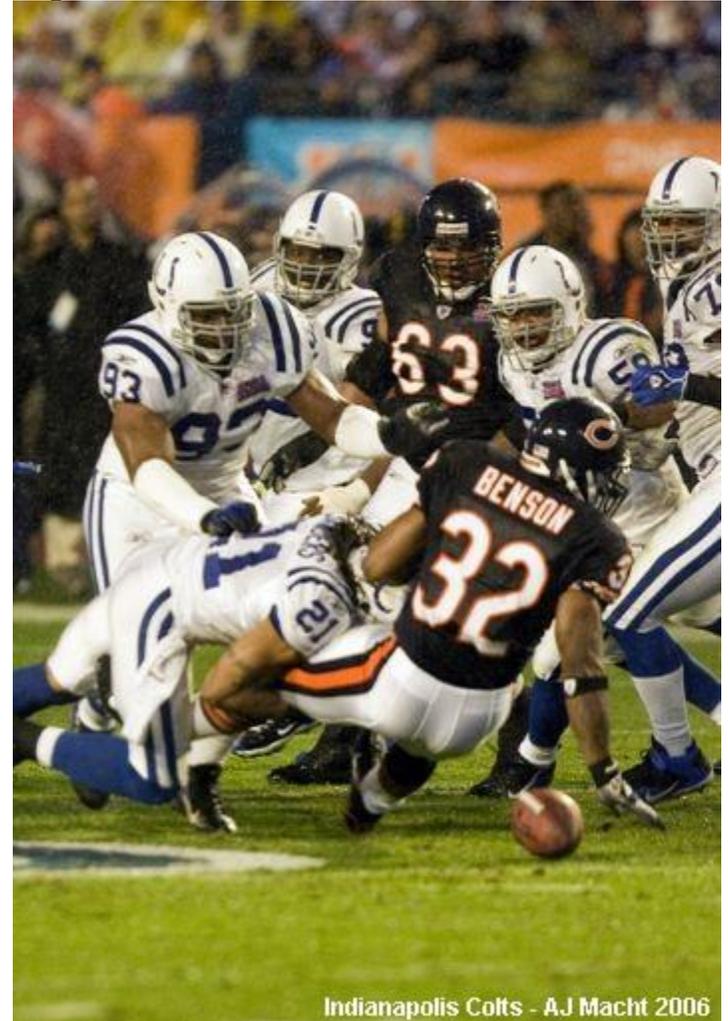
<http://www.sportsecyclopedia.com/nfl/chicago/bearschamps.html>

Maybe some day I could go to a game. With the price of Bears ticket for this weekend going for \$10,000 and more I think I will pass for now. Maybe I could go the Arizona and see a Cubs game instead. May be warmer and cheaper!
03/06/07

So the dame has been over for a couple days and the Bears got out played. Yes, they lost.

Both teams were having trouble playing the rain that kept falling for the whole game. The Bears will have to come back next year and try again.

Cognations Colts



Anyway, Cubs opener is April 9th.