Marty's Random Thoughts

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Random Front Page Story

Mike and Petra have come to America. See later on what they are up to.

The weather has been nice for a few days. It has been nice from August 29th to September 6th. There has been a low of 53° to a high of 90°, no rain - clear most days. I guess this is front page news. We got a little rain on Sept. 6-7, but looks to be nice for a few more days...more later.

Birthday List

| September | | October | | Nov | |
|-----------|--------|---------|---------|-----|---------|
| 13th | Dennis | 3rd | Matt | 1st | Triston |
| 15th | Anila | 18th | David | 2nd | Erik |
| 15th | Corky | 23rd | Annette | | |
| 18th | Edie | 23rd | Tom | | |
| 1st | Bob | | | | |

If you don't see you birthday and you want to make sure I have then let me know.

Questions

Cookies gone wrong

Both Sharon and I make cookies. Sharon always shares hers, on the other hand I forget to share and sometimes eat all the dough before I even bake them. Anyway, once in a while the cookies don't come out the same with the same stuff. Being an Internet junky, I went out and looked for a troubleshooting guide for cookies. I reprinted it later on in this newsletter. (Page 11)

Rumors

Only spread happy rumors. Repeating rumors that could hurt others is bad Karma! Even fact should not be repeated if it could hurt someone.

Karma

Some people might not really know what Karma means. Karma kind of means "What goes around... comes around!" The theory is that whatever negative or positive energies one sends out will come back to the sender in like kind. The "Three Fold Law" is a version of this belief. It says that if you do something to or for another... you get it back 3 times what you did. Getting even is not how it works. Karma is a checks and balance kind of thing. If someone does bad to you, you may have had it coming to you from something you did in the past. If you do something good, it does not always mean good is going to come to you, it just helps.

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29-Aug-2007 8:29am, Clear 70°

8/29 8:29 How did that happen? I guess happens once in a while. Maybe that is a sign? **Transportation**

I guess when you fix one vehicle you need to fix all of them. I took the motorhome to fix some scratch I got by getting too close to a wall.

While it was in the shop I remembered it had been a long time since I changed the oil in the pickup. And I had never had the Transmission or rear end oils changed. So I guess I have a broken part on the rear spring that is a safety issue, and I will also need a battery soon.

So while I am checking in to what it will take to fix the spring mount, I thought I will get the recall checked out for the car. I took it in to get that fixed and an oil change. Well the gas has been low ,so I had that checked out too. Well there is more. It also needed a battery and a HEPA filter. After that and also checking it out for the gas mileage issue, it ending up costing me a small chunk on money.

It looks like another couple hundred bucks for the pickup for the spring mount, plus a battery. All of this is going to use a big part of one of these.

So If you don't want to get hit, you should have your thing checked out more often. Some of this was a surprise to me. Some of It I was putting off. So I guess I will be broke for a while.

30-Aug-2007 1:21pm, Clear 73°

Pickup

Weather has been nice all day. I checked out the pickup and the problem looks like some I do not want to do myself. It also looks like it will wait for a while. I just have to be careful until I get it fixed.

SAT-GO

I got an email from DirecTV about a new toy they have. It looks like a neat new thing. Here is a picture and a brief description. After you look at it you can get me one for Christmas. There is less than 4 months now and I have not received any list form anyone yet. So I will put this on mine. If you get your want list to me I will put them all in a newsletters around Thanksgiving. That is only about 3 months away. So here is my first it item.

Garden

After working on the Pickup I decided to check on my garden and clean up around the yard a little. I pulled all the turnips because they weren't doing anything, and I found most were rotten because of the wet weather and maybe the bugs. Here is what I found and what I ended up with.





SAT-GO!

DIRECTV® SAT-GO ("Satellite-To-Go") combines a receiver, antenna and TV all in one easy-to-carry unit. For just \$999*, take all your shows with you whether you're going to the beach, camping or hosting the ultimate tailgate party. Now, anytime you want to enjoy all digital DIRECTV® programming all you need is a clear view of the southern sky.

* Handling & delivery (\$19.95) plus applicable taxes not included in system price.
SAT-GO is sold by DirecTV 1-800-directv

Disclaimer: I just put this in my newsletter because I think the idea is neat. And like a lot of other stuff I have seen I want one. You decide if it is good for you. I like the idea not the produce.

Marty 08/30/07



Shouldn't turnips be a lot bigger then these? Maybe I should go back out and clean up my mess now. And come back to the computer later and do more newsletter stuff. Even these 4 didn't look like I should eat them.

FYI

Did you know that some of these Internet addresses are available and some are not? I was just wondering if these were available or not. below are the results.

VAUGHANS.COM is already taken.

VAUGHANSRESTAURANT.COM is available!

VAUGHANSFAMILYRESTAURANT.COM is available!

3BROTHERS.COM is already taken.

THREEBROTHERS.COM is already taken.

3BROTHERRESTAURANT.COM is available!

THREEBROTHERSRESTAURANT.COM is already taken.

31-Aug-2007 09-18am, 62°

Lotterv

I see there is a bunch of money sitting out there in the lottery to win. Maybe we should...not we, I should win some of it. Mega Millions for Fri, Aug 31, 2007 is \$330,000,000 and the Lotto for Sat, Sep 1, 2007 is \$5,750,000. Now the Little Lotto for Fri, Aug 31, 2007 is only \$100,000 but that is nothing to sneeze at. I would take that. It is still a few weeks pay. So I bought one of each ticket. That is less than the price of 3 trips for coffee. I will see what happens.



What if?

What if you did only what you enjoyed? How would your life change?

Past questions

In a previous issue I asked; "What is the meaning of life to you?" I have only received one response so far. I thought by now I would have a few more responses. I am still wondering what other people think. After I get a few more I will publish them. Below is a copy of what has been published.

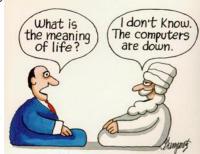


While I was retuning home in the car I was listening to the "Cathy & Judy" show on WGN.

They were asking people: "What is the meaning of life to you?" I thought that would be a good question to ask my readers. So here is the deal. I would like you to email me or write it on a piece of paper and give it to me. This may be different for every person. If I get any replies to this question, I will put them in one of the upcoming newsletters. It can be real or funny or just whatever you have to share. I will not put your name on it unless you want me to. You don't even need to have me know who you are if you don't want me to know.

You can give me almost anything you would like to share with the readers. As always, I will only use your name if you tell me it is ok. I just ask that you give me your news through email if you can, so I don't have to retype it. I know some of you do not

have computers, so for you I will take it written on paper. I can read a little yet. Email me at: thoughts@doerofthings.com Source: Marty's Random Thoughts 23-Jul-2007



(Pictures from: Google images)

01-Sep-2007 6:47am, 53° Clear

Lottery

Well, the results are in from yesterday and it looks like I didn't win the \$330,000,000.00 in the Mega Millions. I didn't even get a single number. 4 others get to split it. I wish them well with it. Maybe you had one of the other prizes. The numbers were 08-18-22-40-44 and Mega Ball number was 11 – good luck!

I also played the Little Lotto. Those numbers were 09-11-23-37-38. I didn't win any money here either, but I did match number 38. It looks like there are 55 tickets out there that matched four of the five numbers and these people will get \$100.00 for those tickets.

As for me, I still have the Lotto for tonight. I have two plays for that \$5,750,000. I would like to part of that. I could make a lot of people happy if I would win the whole thing. I could get about 4.5 million cups of coffee. Wait, the tax man would get bunch of that so I may end up with only about 2.25 million cups. So you see that money could keep me in coffee for 2-3 days. With one million you could invest it at ten percent return and live off the interest almost forever.

Pond/Water Garden Project

I was thinking about adding a garden railroad to my pond project. It would be neat to have a train running under the waterfall and filling up with water and then taking it to the other side and dumping it in to the river I haven't built yet. I checked on the prices of the starter kits for the garden railroads, "G" scale. They start around \$275.00 and then I would need an

outdoor track kit to replace the generic tracks. And you know I would need more tracks so I could get it back to the garage where it would sleep at night. Then I would need some switch tracks so it could get out in the back yard to exercise. Then you know me, it would need to be interfaced to the computer. Then I could control it on rainy days or snow storms. Oh yes, garden railroads do not mind the bad

weather like us humans. Heather reminded me it needed to be solar powered. So lets see what this would all cost, \$275 for the starter set, \$300-500 extra track maybe \$1,000 Solar kit \$500. I could also run the

motorhome with the solar kit. Computer interface maybe \$2-300. Wait I need a wireless camera so I can monitor where it is. And there is the snow removal engine. And the street lights, buildings, bridges, and ...well you get the idea. I need to get a job with income to pay for



this. Ok if I get a job I wont have time to play with it. Hummm... wonder where this part of the project is going? Maybe I should go back to the water mill and river part of the pond/water garden first.

RV Travel

Funny Sign 🗸



←Think about it.

Driveway ->

Don't park your tow vehicle in this driveway. Looking for a new home? Well, if you own a

pickup truck or any vehicle longer than about four feet, we strongly suggest you do not choose this residence, or if you do, we suggest you park on the street and avoid this driveway. Now, who in his or her right mind would design a driveway like this? We don't know the source of this photo but felt compelled to pass it along to you.



Trivia. . .

Cats average 16 hours of sleep a day, more than any other mammal.

Source: http://rvtravel.com/publish/newsletter/issue291.shtml

02-Sep-2007 12:39am clear 80°

Rain

What happened to the rain? We have had great weather for a bunch of Days now. Now let us work on those Mosquitoes. Did you know there is a web site about how mosquitoes work. I won't even go there. I know how they work. Don't you? They bite you and spit some itching stuff in the hole and suck out your blood...enough said about them little bastards!

Back to the rain. Looks like it will be nice the first part of next week. For Sun, Mon, Tue,

and Wed the forecast looks like this: enough said!



Them guys are all smiling, so

Where was I?

After breakfast I did a little shopping. Some time while I was unloading the car Heather was here and dropped previous newsletter to print. Where was I? When went out to the car for another trip and close the trunk I see the newsletter hanging one the door knob. I don't know how I could miss you Heather. Were you invisible or am I going deaf, blind and stupid. I wonder where I was???

Lotto

So they drew those Lotto numbers and I got one number on each play there too. So I guess I am out a couple cups of coffee. I don't feel to bad because no one else won the Lotto



big money this week. Are any of you big Lottery players? I just play a few dollars once in a while. I can afford to donate to where ever that money goes. Where does that money go? I know it isn't going in my pockets.

I PASS

Monday I will be going to the airport and picking up Mike and Petra. I will see if that I-PASS I bought in March or April is still working. It is nice to be able to just drive down the

interstate and not have to stop and pay any tolls. I use to stop in the manual lanes and hand a real person my money. I would always say "Hi, how are you doing." When they doubled my toll, I decided they



didn't want to talk to me, so I got an I-PASS. I have driven through the check points at 65MPH and it just takes whatever money it wants. This thing is easy to get and use. I went to Jewel's service desk and picked it up. You pay \$50.00 up front, \$10.00 is a deposit and \$40.00 is credit for tolls. Before you start using it you have to call a 1-800 number or go online and give them an ID number and the license plate number of whatever you are using it with. I have the car, pickup and motor home listed. They let you move it from car to car. It also works in some other states or they were setting that up when I got it. So that \$40.00 will last me a very long time. That is one hundred forty-cent tolls.

Mike and Petra

Mike and Petra are going to be in town for a while. They will be using my car while I am getting the pickup fixed. They wanted to drive the pickup because it is a stick shift. They are a strand bunch. Most people would drive an automatic as first choice. And the Pickup gets only 14-16 miles to the gallon. Where the car gets 35-45 MPG. But as long as the pickup is mine and it has a safety issue, I will not let someone drive it that is not used to it. Safety first! I have to get it fixed before anyone else can use it (that cracked spring shackle for the leaf spring or whatever). If it breaks, the rear end could fall out and some one could get hurt. The other thing is it needs a battery. It is getting old and could go dead and might not start. That is not a safety issue. If it starts, it will run. If it doesn't start, you just replace it, you start it and it goes. If it doesn't start, you are not going anywhere. So it is not a safety issue. Maybe this winter it could be an issue. You could freeze waiting to get the battery replaced, but not now.

Back to Mike and Petra's stay. They will be using my car and staying at Jim and Cathy's They have moved from Germany and the last I heard they are relocating to the United States. They tell me they have packed all their stuff and it is getting shipped to California. I think Mike said it could take up to two months for their stuff to arrive. You and I would have a problem



going that long with out having our stuff. I know I would! They are travelers and hikers. They can go a very long time with just their backpacks. I did it for 2-3 weeks and I lived through it. All you really need is a change of clothes and a fist full dollars. Oh yes, and a computer. They are still



looking for a vehicle. If I remember right it was going to be something

like the size of an Escort wagon or a Volkswagen bus. Does Volkswagen still make those vans? I do not remember seeing one for a long, long time. Remember the 60's and 70's? I think they only made them from 1949 to 1967. Do you know anyone that has one of these? Oh, I forgot the next generation of vans. There was a Type-3 that was also a camper.



Random Thoughts

Evolving

While doing some of my thoughts that are going into this newsletter, I am noticing that it is starting to evolve. I started doing this newsletter for fun. I am starting to become addicted to it. It is still fun, but it seems like I need my newsletter too much. Maybe by opening up to my newsletter I am opening up to the world. After all, anyone can read this. And all of you are reading it, or maybe you just spill coffee on it. I hear it is getting around the country. I heard that some one in Colorado has read it. And my brother Mike has read it in Germany. It may be read in Kansas and Pennsylvania. While I am writing this I am printing the previous issue. I am still only printing 12 copies and are 14 people that people that I email and let them know I have made it available online to view. How many people are you letting read your copy?

Privacy

The other day I took some pictures of a group of friends and one of them came unglued when I said I would put it in the newsletter. I will go back to what I have said a long time ago in Marty's Random Thoughts. I will not put an image of you or use you whole name. You just have to tell me not to. This person was so scared that while looking at the pictures on the camera they were deleted. I had no idea there was this much fear in this person. I really miss judged this one. This newsletter is for fun. Please tell me if do not want your name or image in here. I will not use it. Everyone has their reasons. I don't need your reason. Just tell me, email me or just slip me a note when no one is looking. Just tell me! I may ask; "Why?" But you can tell me that you do not want to tell me. I will back off.

So many people have asked to be in the newsletter. So I was assuming everyone was the same. I forgot that we are all different. So I apologize for assuming.

Labor Day

Tomorrow is the last holiday of the summer. What is Labor Day all about? Here is the short version:

Labor Day is a United States federal holiday that takes place on the first Monday in September. The holiday began in 1882, originating from a desire by the Central Labor Union to create a day off for the "working man". It is still celebrated mainly as a day of rest and marks the symbolic end of summer for many. Labor Day became a federal holiday by Act of Congress in 1894.

Source: Wikipedia

I thought it was to honor all the people that have to do work in this world. This covers just about everyone. Even if you do not have to go to work and earn money, you are still part of the labor force. Happy Labor Day to all of you that have done something sometime.

03-Sep-2007 10:29am, Clear 72°

Looks like another nice day today. Great day for a holiday. Guess I have time to do a couple loads of laundry before I go to the airport to get Mike and Petra.

Wash day

Hummm...Why is Monday wash day? Here is what I found out:

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Long ago (like 1960), the rhythm of the average American housewife's life was fairly standard no matter where you went. Each day had its own task, and so the work got done in a logical, orderly fashion as the week progressed. It went like this: Monday: Wash Day, Tuesday: Ironing Day, Wednesday: Sewing Day, Thursday: Market Day, Friday: Cleaning Day, Saturday: Baking Day, Sunday: Day of Rest

With a few variations (some folks had a gardening day instead of a separate ironing day, or the days were not quite in this order), this is the way everyone kept house for more than a hundred years. It was such a common scheme that day-of-the-week dishtowels emblazoned with that day's chore were everywhere. (You can still get Aunt Martha iron-on embroidery or paint transfers with this scheme--I collect them, in fact.)

There was logic behind this. Laundry was far and away the heaviest task a housewife faced, requiring a great deal of strength and fortitude to hand-wring clothes and carry big baskets of wet laundry to the clothesline from the basement washtubs. Monday was the day to do it, when you were still fresh and rested from Sunday. Tuesday's ironing followed Monday's wash. Mending and sewing on Wednesday made sense when you'd just been through the clothes and noticed what needed a button or a patch. And so on. (more on the web site)

Source: http://www.thenewhomemaker.com/choredays

Well back to my laundry. I need to buy a clothes line. Some days you can dry clothes faster outside than in the dryer, and at much less cost.

09:39pm, 74° Humid

I returned home from getting Mike and Petra at the airport and dinner. Both of them were very tired from traveling without sleep for more than 24 hours. I know what that is like. I was the same way when I returned from Europe. It was good to see them again. They have all these plans of things they will be doing. I bet they will spend a day or so just resting up from all that traveling. It will be good visiting them again. It has been 3-1/2 month since I saw them last. Boy does time fly! I have been retired 6 months already! Now I am just tired. Good night!

<u>04-Sept-2007 11:20am, Clear 80°</u>

Mike and Petra just stopped by. Mike wanted to pick up his new camera he had shipped here. His old one has been broken for a long time. It was just displaying half a picture on the preview. This was making it hard to know for sure what you are taking a picture of. I saw an old one and it is looking to the right when you take a picture to the left. Or like walking around with one eye closed. He took some good pictures with that old camera, but it was time he updated. We visited for a while and they took off to run do some shopping.

I had to call Tom back to check out the A/C. It is not cooling the place. It has not been hot enough to use it. Last night when I returned from the airport it was quit humid in here. I turned it on to dry it out and this morning it was 10° warmer that it was set. So I called Tom and he was here checking it out. It looks like I get a new compressor. It is covered under the warranty. Looks like the new one will come from Madison. I think he said it will be here Monday or it will be shipped Monday. With this nice weather it will be fine.

Now I have to find out what the pickup is worth and decide if I should fix it or donate it.

Later

I went out and valued the Pickup. It is a 1989 Ford Ranger with 95,000 miles. The radiator has a hole and it is about \$65 for a new one plus the labor. It needs a new battery which is maybe \$60. The A/C, radio and washer are all broken. I can live without them. Something is cracked on or to do with the rear leaf springs and the estimate to fix that is \$200-



300. This has to get fixed because it is a safety issue. And then there is something about the front end that may need to be fixed. The steering wheel is cocked-eyed when you are going down the road straight. That is a sign of something out of whack.

I think I will hang on to it until Mike and Petra get their own car. Then I think I better just donate this to some Kars-4-Kids or someone. There was a nice looking pickup out on Lake Street for sale this morning.

Still later

I went out to the Pickup to see if I could see why the steering wheel did not line up with the wheels and I pulled the hood release and look what released! Good thing the hood unlatched. I got it open and tripped the latch so it will not lock closed. So for now, the safety latch will keep it from blowing open when I drive down the road. I think it might! I will have to duct tape it closed. But for now I am finished fixing things on this pickup. I have had it over 7 years. I paid \$3000 for it and



put maybe \$2000 of repairs. That is around \$1000-1200 total cost per year. That is insurance, license, gas, oil and all repairs. It is time to put him out to pasture. Yes it is a him! It is a Pickup!

<u>05-Sep-2007 10:48am, 76°</u>

Pickup

Well for now the Pickup is still holding up. I will just keep babying it. I will start getting it ready for its retirement. Do you give trucks retirement parties? Maybe I could just go to a party and bring the truck along. Maybe that would be enough. What you think?

School Mates

I think Tom said that he had gone to school with Mike. Maybe he will get to see him before he leaves the area. I think he also said that there is another person Mike had talked about from Woodstock that eats at Vaughan's all the time in the morning around 6-6:30 in the morning. I do not remember the name.

Breakfast

Yesterday at breakfast, Mary got a phone call. Her niece was about the have a baby. Today while having breakfast, she announced a new baby boy in the family. Heather and Olivia were also in for breakfast this morning. Olivia is getting to be a big girl. Heather tells me Olivia doesn't have her drivers license yet.

Flowers like light

There are two flowers by the front door at Vaughan's. I remember when they first put them there. They were both the same size. I thought one was growing much faster than the other. A few days ago it was looking like this was the case. Yesterday I jokingly said something to Sharon. I said; "Someone should switch them so that the other one get more light." She told me to do it. I jokingly said; "I don't work here." She had Tom switch them. Today it looks like the other one is catching up. I am guessing by Sunday the will be the same size again.

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Rain

I was in Crystal Lake this afternoon. It just poured rain for 20 -30 minutes. On the way home about 4:30 pm the sky was clear and at MCC everything was dry like in never rained. Later we got our rain. I show only 2/100 inch. Thought we got more than that! Maybe not.

07-Sep-2007 9:23am, Wet 71°

Breakfast

This morning I had breakfast with Mike & Petra. They have been shopping for a car. Petra likes yellow. They are looking for the right car for their needs. I think they have narrowed it down to two. But neither one is available in yellow.

Car Color

I remembered the Earl Scheib's ads from a very long time ago. "I will paint any car any color for just \$29.95!" I went out and looked up old Earl and he is still painting cars. The only thing is that you can't get it painted for \$29.95 anymore, it is more like \$299 to \$799 now. And the company has grown a lot. It looks like he travels all over the country painting cars now.



Weather

It has been nice for most of the last 2 weeks. It looks like we have a couple days of light rain and then a few days in the 70's and maybe 60's. Nice "doing things outside" weather.

My Book

You know I have to get on the stick and finish editing my book about my trip to Europe. I printed it out with the pictures a couple weeks ago. I was going through it a little this week checking to see what I had written. And it still needs a good editing. It is over 160 pages since I added the pictures. I need to move the pictures around many are inserted on the wrong pages. The picture should be some where near where the text is that talks about it. I didn't know what a project writing a book was before I started it. Maybe I will get finished before Christmas. Wait...Christmas will be here too soon! Let's say by July. That will give me ten months. I get tired just thinking about this. It makes me want to go for coffee. So that is where I am going.

08-Sep-2007 10:30am, 71°

No car yet

Mike and Petra still have not got their car. They do a lot of research and test driving before the buy. Yesterday they got it down to two different ones, Honda and Nissan. Maybe they will have one soon.

Pickup

My Ford Ranger is still working. It has a set of new tires on it that I may salvage before I retire it. You might say...wait, I might say I am going to retire it before I retire it. ©



How To Troubleshoot Cookies

This article was submitted by Dennis Weaver. He is the general manager of The Prepared Pantry, which produces baking mixes that are designed and packaged for both storage and everyday use.

If you're like the rest of us, once in a while your cookies don't turn out quite right. As professional bakers, we put together this guide to troubleshooting cookies. Just read down this list of problems and solutions until you find how to make your cookies perfect. Be sure and print this guide and keep it handy for future reference.



If your cookies are too tough . . .

You may have used too much flour or a flour with too high of a protein content. Unless you want a chewy cookie, do not use bread flour. Check your measurements - the cookies may not have enough fat or the amount of sugar may be wrong.

If your cookies are too crumbly . . .

They may have too much sugar, shortening, or leavening or may not be thoroughly mixed. Try adding more eggs.

If your cookies are too hard . . .

They may have been baked too long or at a temperature that was too low. Too much flour or not enough shortening or liquid will make them hard also.

If your cookies are too dry . . .

The same elements that make cookies too hard, may make them too dry. Try baking them at a higher temperature for a shorter period. Substitute brown sugar (with its higher moisture content) for part of the granulated sugar.

If your cookies are too brown . . .

The cookies were most likely baked too long or at too high of a temperature. Too much sugar may make a cookie brown too readily.

If your cookies are not browned enough . . .

The baking temperature was too low, they were not baked long enough, or there was too little sugar.

If your cookies spread too much . . .

The baking temperature may be too low. Too much sugar, shortening, or leavening will cause spread. If pans are greased with too much shortening, spread may occur. Add a little more flour or chill your dough before forming the cookies.

If your cookies don't spread enough . . .

The opposite conditions that create too much spread may cause your cookies not to spread enough. There may not be enough sugar, shortening, or leavening, or the temperature is too high. Try adding more grease to the pan and baking at a lower temperature.

If the edges or crust turns out sugary . . .

The cookies probably have too much sugar. The dough may have been inadequately mixed.

If your cookies have a poor flavor . . .

Make sure all the flavoring ingredients were added. Dated or low quality ingredients may not impart strong enough flavors. Improperly washed baking pans will sometimes cause a cookie to taste bad.

If your cookies stick to the pans . . .

The pans probably weren't greased adequately. Too much sugar will make cookies stick. Cookies are usually easier to remove from their pans immediately after coming from the oven.

Source: http://www.recipegoldmine.com/articles/troubleshootcookies.html

Random words of wisdom

The more you know you know, the more you know you don't know.

Hanging out

Maybe I hang out too much. I went to breakfast late. Then lunch with Cork, Diane and Aunt Annie. Then Mike & Petra showed up when I when to leave. Now that I am home, I have to go back with Aunt Annie to see Bill & Arlene.

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Trivia. . .

Hershey's Kisses are called that because the machine that makes them looks like it's kissing the conveyor belt.

Bumper Snicker

To err is human, to moo bovine.



Worth Pondering

"If we are always arriving or departing, it is also true that we are eternally anchored. One's destination is never a place, but rather a new way of looking at things."-- Henry Miller Source: http://rvtravel.com/publish/newsletter/issue292.shtml

<u>10-Sep-2007 11:56am, 62°</u>

Long Morning

Breakfast at 8:00am at Angelo's, then I went out and got a tire for the Pickup at Route 14 Auto Parts. When I returned home Mike and Petra invited me for breakfast. Before I left, there was a fire a block over for me on Wheeler street. Black smoke just poured in to the sky. I could not get near to see what it was. So I went to Angelo's and visited with Mike and Petra for a while. About 10:15 am I had to go to the doctor for a blood test. At 10:40 am I was back at Angelo's to finish my visit. When I returned home I had an email from where I use to work. I was caught up on the latest things that were happening there. Not much has changed there. Also I forgot to drive over and see what was burning before. I guess I didn't need to know. Later I need to take Mike and Petra to get their new car. Did I tell you - they said it is red! They are getting Insurance now. They got their cell phone yesterday. The last plan is that they are heading for California on Wednesday. We'll see how their plans work out.

<u>11-Sep-2007 08:14am, 48°</u>

Enough will be said about 911, so I will not go into that.

Weather

It got cold last night. I show 47.3° for a low. It is only 48° now. Where did I put my jacket? I slept very good last night. I sleep much better when the weather is cool. I was sleeping so good I didn't want to get up yet. But here I am up anyway. Mike and Petra's new car wasn't ready yesterday. So I still have to do that. Maybe for now I think I will go have breakfast with Mary and Nora.

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Page full, enough for this issue...see you next time...have a safe trip!

Marty