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3-Jul-19 15 seconds @ EWT 74° overcast

Wow, it has been so long since I have been writing in my newsletter I forgot how to put in the shut up . I had to look it up. Maybe I should try and write something every day again.

Projects in the Works

Roof

I contacted a roofer yesterday morning and they have been there and measured it up. He said I would have an estimate today.

I tried contacting 2 other companies and have not heard from them in a week.

Porch Railing

I started putting railing on my front porch. The insurance company said I need it to be compliant with my policy. This is something I can do.

I put the roof and porch on the house in 1993, so I guess it is time for a railing, I don't want to fall off and hurt the ground.



I am almost done with the steps. I had to replace the treads because after 26 years they were failing. Once that is done, I will work on the rest of the porch. The steps are the hard part. I must think about them too much. The porch is easy compared to the steps.

The Car

The car needs new struts in front. To have it repaired it could cost as much as \$1,400. I can buy the parts for under \$400 and have it aligned for another \$100. Currently I will be just driving it. They told me it wasn't a safety issue, but it is noisy. I need to get some time to work on this.

The Camper

The driver side window is down and won't go up. I may have told you about that being a problem before. I messed with it a year ago and it hasn't been a problem. I had almost forgotten about it. Not it is down and covered with plastic. It either needs a switch or a wiring harness, I don't think it is the motor.

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I will order a \$11 switch and if that doesn't fix it, I need to take it to be fixed. Oh well! 😊

My Health

I went to the Doctor to get checked out. I have been tired way too much. Lack of energy too. While working on the porch I have been noticing I don't have the endurance I need to keep going the get the job done quickly. I decided to just work on it until I get too tire then take a break. I will get done when it gets done.

They did a bunch of blood test and it revealed something I need to get checked out by other Doctors. My Doctor said he was pretty sure it wasn't my heart or lungs. Anyway, he told me to get to these other doctors the get it checked out.

I did indicate I am caring too much weight around my belly could have a lot to do with it. This is something he had never said to me before. I knew this could be a problem but have been just blowing it off.

So, with all the other things I have to work on my health too.

CNC Router

I have a new calibration routine to look at and see if I can get that straighten out. For now, it is on hold. I need to get some of these other things fixed first.

The Lawn

For the last two years or so I have been letting my grass get a foot tall before I cut it. It looks like crap like that and after I mow it. Monday, I hired someone to take care of it. For \$30 a week I am not going to do it anymore.

I will have time to work on the landscaping a little. I must work on the weeds and along the fences. And then there are those freelance trees growing where I don't want them. The Mobley trees need to be axed off!

Driveway

I keep thinking about things I need to get done. The driveway needs to be re-sealed. I have been putting that off for way too long.

Windmill

I just thought I have not moved the wind generator to the tower yet. When was that I was going to do that? Oh yes, 2012! 😞

Weather

They said it is going to rain tomorrow, the day after tomorrow, and the next day too. 😞 I am getting tired of the rain every day. Oh, rain this evening too! 😊 When it cools off a little so I can work on my railing it rains!

Maybe Sunday and Monday they will be right when it says no rain.

I have to get off the computer and do something.

22-Jul-19 12:24pm @home 91°

Sunny

HOT in other words!

It is way too hot to work on the railing on the front porch. So here I am.

Things are Getting Better

Power Needed

Did you know that the Voyager spacecraft radio transmitter uses about 470 watts? That is about the power of 10 "C" batteries.

Computer Power

Did you know that all of NASA's computes power was less computer power than an average iPhone of now days?

Amazing isn't it? What could we do now if we put our minds to it?

Why haven't we gone to Mars with all the power and computer stuff we have gained in the last 50 years? It makes me wonder.

The porch railing will wait for now. With a temperature of 91° and humidity of 71%, it will wait for a few more days to get finished.

MARTY'S RANDOM THOUGHTS

Sunday it may be cooler but, Monday through Friday look a lot better to me.

22-Jul-19 4:21pm @home 75°

Sunny

Joke of the Day

Why do Eskimo their wash the clothes in Tide?

Porch Railing

I finally finished constructing the railing yesterday. I put the house address numbers back on the post and installed a new mailbox. I still want to go over it with the sander a little. And load up the extra lumber to return for a little coffee money.

I think I need to go load up the truck now. I'll be back!

24-Jul-19 9:30am @EWT 71°

Sunny

Why am I inside on a nice day like today?

Yesterday I put most of the tools away from building the railing on the front porch. Yes, it is built!

I still need to do a little sanding to remove a few splinters. Next year I could paint it. I used treated lumber, so I need to wait a year for it the dry before painting. I can wait!

The sanding should not take long. Then I can start working on the list at the start of this newsletter.

I Just looked at that list. The window on the Camper is fixed. I replaced the wiring and the switch. All is well with that. The roof I have signed the proposal and just waiting for them to show up. I am guessing in a couple of weeks. All that other stuff is still waiting on me!

27-Jul-19 9:20am @Home 77°

Sunny

I just came back from Starbucks and noticed how nice it was outdoors. Yesterday

I spent time cutting up brush to burn later when it dries out. I must wait until the wind is just right for the smoke. I have a lot more brush to cut down yet. I should do it while it isn't too hot out there.

MRT Update

Before I work on that brush, I need to work on Marty's Random Thoughts a little. Yesterday I upload a bunch of past newsletters and I wanted to get onto MRT. I will do that before I head back outside.

Delay Going Outside

Well, I should have gone outside before. But I did get 5 years of Marty's Random Thoughts newsletters put up on my blog sight. Remember MRT is now located at <http://MartysRandomThoughts/mrt>

I am stopping this now and going outside for a while and doing some work out there.



29-Jul-19 3:53pm @Home 84°

Sunny

Happy Birthday Aunt Annie!



Marty, Marcia, & Aunt Annie 2014, 3 Brother Restaurant

Yes, today Is Aunt Annie's Birthday. I miss her!

MARTY'S RANDOM THOUGHTS

Roof Project

This morning the roofers, Jerry Newman Roofing & Remodeling, Inc, were here at 9:00am as they said they would. After talking to Ron, the group leader, I left to go to EW Training. Ron told me there was no reason I needed to stay.

When I returned at noon, they were nailing some boards on the garage roof. There were a few rotten ones. Ron again told me they didn't need me. I ate some lunch then headed to Starbucks for coffee and read some more of my book. I returned at 3. While I was gone, they finished the garage and stacked all the new shingles on the house.

I would have been still setting up the ladder on the garage. Ron said they might finish the house tomorrow if the rain stays away. A couple of times it rained very hard. I know I am glad they are doing this and not me.

Register for MRT

Please don't forget to register for Marty's Random Thoughts newsletter at <http://MartysRandomThoughts.com/mrt> to make sure you get notified for the next issue.

I'm going out and remove more of the brush growing around the house before those guys get back tomorrow. I haven't touched the north side of the house yet.

30-Jul-19 8:31am @EWT 67°

Sunny

Wow, only 67°! That would make it nice for those guys on the roof. I left a little before 7:00am this morning and they were not there yet. I think Ron told me that they work from 9 to 7 when they could. Their day off is when it rains. I like sunny days when I get off. 😊 In any case they may get finished today.

I want to get this issue ready to send out tomorrow. I wonder if I will get 'r done. I

am a little out of practice. Whoops, it jumped to the next page! 😊

I did get out there and removed the Queen Anne's Lace all along side of the house. The tree brush will see the SawsAll next! I am here now.

Maybe it is my Fault

I just went to MartysRandomThoughts.com to see if I updated it like I thought I did. You know when you think so long about doing something and how you are going to do it. Then you get interrupted. Next thing you think you already did it. That is why I follow up on things.

If you are having trouble with a website, try refreshing it first. The Cache on your computer uses the last version for a day or so to help speed things up a little.

Ok I have updated the Home page for Marty's Random Thoughts. I even checked it out this time! I need to update my picture yet. It looks like the last time I did a major cleanup was in 2012.

I wonder how Doerofthings.com, and Marty-metras.com looks?

Roof Redo

The roof guys left around 4:00pm. I only went out for a while to see how they did. It looks to be about finished. It seems from the ground that some of the cap is not quite finished. They may have run out of shingles. They were gone when I got out there, so I don't really know.

I'll deal with it tomorrow.

This page is full so I will stop and start a new issue tomorrow.

MARTY'S RANDOM THOUGHTS

Follow up

- Roof is done
- Railing is Done. Well a little sanding yet
- Camper window if done
- Voyager is out of our solar system

- Joke: Eskimo say: "It is too cold out Tide!"

See you next time, Marty

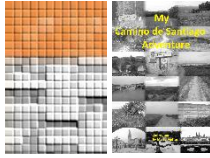
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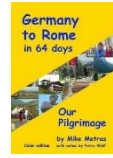
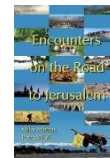
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