



While working for an organization that delivers lunches to elderly shut-ins, I used to take my 4 year-old daughter on my afternoon rounds. She was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers and wheelchairs.

One day I found her staring at a pair of false teeth soaking in a glass. As I braced myself for the inevitable barrage of questions, she merely turned and whispered, "The tooth fairy will never believe this!"

A little boy opened the big family bible. He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out of the bible. He picked up the object and looked at it. What he saw was an old leaf that had been pressed between the pages. "Mama, look what I found," the boy called out.

"What have you got there, Dear?"

With astonishment in the young boy's voice, he answered, "I think it's Adam's underwear!"



***FIRE CHIEF'S EX-WIFE HOUSE CATCHES FIRE. Chief quoted as saying "She has a restraining order against me and all my family and since us guys at the fire house are just one big family . . . "***

The new bride went crying to her mother. "Momma, I can't get my husband to do anything. I want him to fix up the house, but he keeps putting it off."

"Honey," her mother replied, "after being married to your father for thirty-eight years, I've found the only way to get him to do anything is to tell him he's too old."

At one of the last all girls' schools in Dallas years ago, the instructor in a 'Charm Course' was urging her students to give their escorts every chance to be gallant.

"Remain seated in the truck until he has had time to step around and open the door for you," she said. Then, returning to reality she added, "But if the big oaf is in the restaurant ordering his steak... don't wait any longer."

A man and his wife are awakened at 3 o'clock in the morning by a loud pounding on the door. The man gets up and goes to the door where a drunken stranger, standing in the pouring rain, is asking for a push.

"Not a chance," says the husband, "it is three o'clock in the morning!" He slams the door and returns to bed.

"Who was that?" asked his wife.

"Just some drunk guy asking for a push," he answers.

"Did you help him?" she asks.

"No, I did not, it is three in the morning and it is pouring out out there!"

"Well, you have a short memory," says his wife. "Can't you remember about three months ago when we broke down and those two guys helped us? I think you should help him, and you should be ashamed of yourself!"

The man does as he is told, gets dressed, and goes out into the pounding rain. He calls out into the dark, "Hello, are you still there?"

"Yes," comes back the answer.

"Do you still need a push?" calls out the husband.

"Yes, please!" comes the reply from the dark.

"Where are you?" asks the husband.

"Over here on the swing!" replies the drunk.



***The REAL reason policemen are required to learn the Heimlich Maneuver!***

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"I'm ashamed of you," Little Johnny's mother said. "Fighting with your best friend is a terrible thing to do."

"He threw a rock at me!" the boy said. "So I threw one at him."

"When he threw a rock at you, you should have come to me."

"What good would that have done?" Little Johnny replied. "My aim is much better than yours."

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If you love something, set it free and if it comes back, it will always be yours.

If it doesn't come back, it was never yours to begin with.

BUT, if it just sits in your living room, messes up your stuff, eats your food, uses your telephone, takes your money, and doesn't appear to realize that you had set it free. You either married it or gave birth to it.

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Which windshield wiper blade always quits first? That's right -- the driver's side.

This happened to me one day while driving home in the middle of a blinding storm. Unable to see, I pulled over and tried to figure out a quick fix. I found it in a yellow cotton work glove lying on the floor. I wedged the cloth hand under the wiper arm. It did a great job keeping my windshield clear.

Not only that -- you'd be surprised at how many people waved back.

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Two Yankee boys were driving through the South and was stopped by a State Trooper. The trooper walked up to the open driver's window, reached in, and slapped the driver on the side of his head.

"What did you do that for?" the driver asked.

"I don't know how yall do it up north, but here in Alabama, you have your drivers license ready when I walk up to the car."

The trooper took the license when it was offered, walked back to his unit and then returned the license to the driver. He then walked around to the passenger side of the car and tapped on the window. When the passenger rolled the window down, the trooper reached in and slapped the passenger on the side of the head.

"What did you do that for?" asked the startled passenger.

"Well," responded the trooper, "I didn't want you to be disappointed. You'll get about two miles down the road and then say, 'I wish that redneck woulda tried that with me!'"

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Unsolved mystery:

Why is the hardness of the butter always in direct proportion to the softness of the bread?

# Morning Breaks

Volume 8 Number 24

*"A sense of humor keeps life interesting..." –Marjorie Pay Hinckley*

June 14, 2009

For those of you who watch what you eat, here's the final word on nutrition and health. It's a relief to know the truth after all those conflicting nutritional studies.

1. The Japanese eat very little fat and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans.
2. The Mexicans eat a lot of fat and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans.
3. The Chinese drink very little red wine and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans.
4. The Italians drink a lot of red wine and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans.
5. The Germans drink a lot of beers and eat lots of sausages and fats and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans.

**CONCLUSION:** Eat and drink what you like. Speaking English is apparently what kills you.



Outside the Bristol Zoo, in England, there is a parking lot for 150 cars and 8 coaches, or buses.

It was manned by a very pleasant attendant with a ticket machine charging cars £1 (about \$1.40) and coaches £5 (about \$7). This parking attendant worked there for all of 25 years. Then, one day, he just didn't turn up for work.

"Oh well," said Bristol Zoo Management, "we'd better phone up the City Council and get them to send a new parking attendant..."

"Er ... no," said the Council, "that parking lot is your responsibility."

"Er ... no," said Bristol Zoo Management, "the attendant was employed by the City Council, wasn't he?"

"Er ... NO!" insisted the Council.

Sitting in his villa somewhere on the coast of Spain, is a bloke who had been taking the parking lot fees, estimated at £400 (about \$560) per day at Bristol Zoo for the last 25 years.

Assuming 7 days a week, this amounts to just over £3.6 million (\$7 million).

And no one even knows his name!

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Change is good – as long as I don't have to do anything differently.

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The worker showed him how to insert a bill, hit the spin button, and operate the release handle.

"And where does the money come out?" asked Matt.

"Usually at the ATM."

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President Obama called for change and got it. Now that's all I have left after payday – a little change.

After an unusually heated argument with what he considered his overbearing parents, a young man announced that the minute he graduated from high school he intended to join the Army.

No more was said until a few days later, when he walked proudly into the house and declared that he was to report for duty the following morning.

"Why?" his mother asked tearfully.

"Because," he stormed, "I am sick and tired of taking orders!"

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***Even Grandmas deserve a "time-out" once in awhile.***

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A young man called his mother and announced excitedly that he had just met the woman of his dreams. Now what should he do?

His mother had an idea, "Why don't you send her flowers, and on the card invite her to your apartment for a home-cooked meal?"

He thought this was a great strategy, and a week later, the woman came to dinner.

His mother called the next day to see how things had gone.

"I was totally humiliated," he moaned. "She insisted on washing the dishes."

"What's wrong with that?" asked his mother.

"We hadn't started eating yet..."

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During a training session at an artillery unit the sergeant-major was busy describing how the sophisticated aiming device of the artillery weapon system is used:

"As you all know, there are 180 degrees in a circle."

One of the soldiers put up his hand and said: "But there are 360 degrees in a circle, sergeant-major."

"You idiot," replied the sergeant-major, "I am obviously speaking about a small circle!"

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It doesn't matter what temperature a room is, it's always at room temperature.

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At 82 years old, a man applied for his first passport. He was told he'd need a birth certificate, but his birth had never been officially registered.

When he explained his dilemma to the passport agent, the response was less than helpful: "In lieu of a birth certificate," the agent said, "you can bring a notarized affidavit from the doctor who delivered you."

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Though death and taxes are inevitable, at least death doesn't get worse every year.

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Mother: "When I was your age, my mother used to hide money around the house for me that I would find only if I performed my chores particularly well. One time when I was cleaning out the cupboards for her, I found \$20 under the old shelf paper."

Daughter: "Wow! What a cool idea! Why didn't you ever do that with me?"

Mother: "But my dear ... I have been."

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June 21, 2009

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Courtesy of Elder Ian Esplin, Albania Tirana Mission

***My companion and I loved the potential apartment – until they showed us the “open-aired” common shower for the entire facility. Still looking . . .***

This guy wanted a parrot who talked. He asked the pet store manager if there was a bird who was already speaking. The manager directed the guy to a bird by the window. "This bird has a vocabulary of 1000 words and another 50 phrases that would fit most occasions."

The guy bought the bird and took it home.

Next day, the guy was back in the pet store to complain. The bird hadn't said a word.

The pet store manager said, "That's not unusual. Why not buy a few of the toys the bird had been used to playing with while here and put it in his cage. That should get him more comfortable with his surroundings and loosen him up."

The man paid for the toys and took them home to the bird.

Two days later the guy showed back up. "Still not talking, huh?" asked the manager. "Well, perhaps a birdbath would do the trick."

The credit card was whipped out, the purchase made, and the guy was back home with his new birdbath.

And, like clockwork, two days later the guy was back to complain that the bird STILL hadn't said one word. This time the shop owner scratched his head and said, "You know, sometimes the bird would be praised in his training and allowed to ring this bell."

The guy was hesitant, but he really wanted to hear the bird talk, so he reluctantly purchased the bell.

Two days later, the guy was back in the shop. This time the pet shop owner suggested the bird was lonely. The guy was upset that he'd have to purchase ANOTHER bird when the first one wasn't talking. The pet shop owner told him that, no, he wouldn't have to do that. Just buy a mirror and trick the bird into thinking he had company.

You guessed it... Two days later, the man was back in the store, this time with the parrot. The parrot was dead.

"What happened! Didn't the bird ever talk?" asked the pet store owner.

"Yep. Right before he died it said, 'Don't they sell any birdseed at that pet store?'"

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***Now THAT'S a sure sign it's going to be a bad day at the beach.***

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I pulled into the crowded parking lot at the shopping center and rolled down the car windows to make sure my Labrador Retriever pup had fresh air.

She was stretched full-out on the back seat and I wanted to impress her that she must remain there. I walked to the curb backward, pointing my finger at the car and saying emphatically, "Now you stay. Do you hear me? Stay! Stay!"

The driver of a nearby car gave me a strange look and said, "Why don't you just put it in park?"

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The fragrance department of a major New York City store where I shop is always pushing the latest scents. Attractive models move about the floor offering to spray customers with the newest bouquet.

One day, outside the store's restaurant, a model sprayed two women who had just finished their lunch. When one woman commented that the perfume was too strong, the model replied, "The fragrance will be softer once it dries and the alcohol wears off."

"See?" her friend chided. "I told you not to have that second drink."

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A burglar alarm sent out its piercing wail in the dark of night in Brooklyn and the police arrived just in time to collar the burglar, Morris Spiegel, as he was leaving the premises with a big bag full of loot. Soon, he was in court facing a grim-looking judge.

"Did you have an accomplice?" asked the judge.

"What's an accomplice?" replied Morris.

"A partner. In other words, did you commit this crime by yourself?"

"What else?" demanded the culprit. "Who can get honest and reliable help these days?"

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What is a "free" gift? Aren't all gifts free?

# Morning Breaks

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"A sense of humor keeps life interesting..." –Marjorie Pay Hinckley

June 28, 2009

My English teacher announced to the class; "There are two words I don't allow in my class. One is gross and the other is cool."

From the back of the room a voice called out, "So, what are the words?"

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***Sales are definitely UP – though I doubt too many people have lost any weight.***

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A 70-year-old man went to the doctor's for a physical. The doctor ran some tests and said to the man, "Well, everything seems to be in top condition physically, but what about mentally? How is your connection with God?"

The man answered, "Oh me and God? We have a really tight bond, he's so good to me. Every night when I have to get up to go to the bathroom, he turns on the light for me, and then, when I leave, he turns it back off."

The doctor was astonished. He called the man's wife and said, "I'd like to speak to you about your husband's connection with God. He claims that every night when he needs to use the restroom, God turns on the light for him and turns it off for him again when he leaves. Is this true?"

She said, "That idiot! He's been peeing in the refrigerator!"

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Part of my job as a 9-1-1 dispatcher is to interrogate callers who are in various states of panic so I can send the appropriate emergency equipment.

One day a woman called to say that a family member had fallen and needed to go to a hospital.

After finding out where she lived and assuring her that the paramedics would arrive shortly, I asked her, "Do you know what caused the fall?"

"No," the woman nervously replied. "What?"

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My mom is very, very possessive. She calls me up and says, "You weren't home last night. Is something going on?"

I say, "Yeah, Mom. I'm cheating on you with another mother."

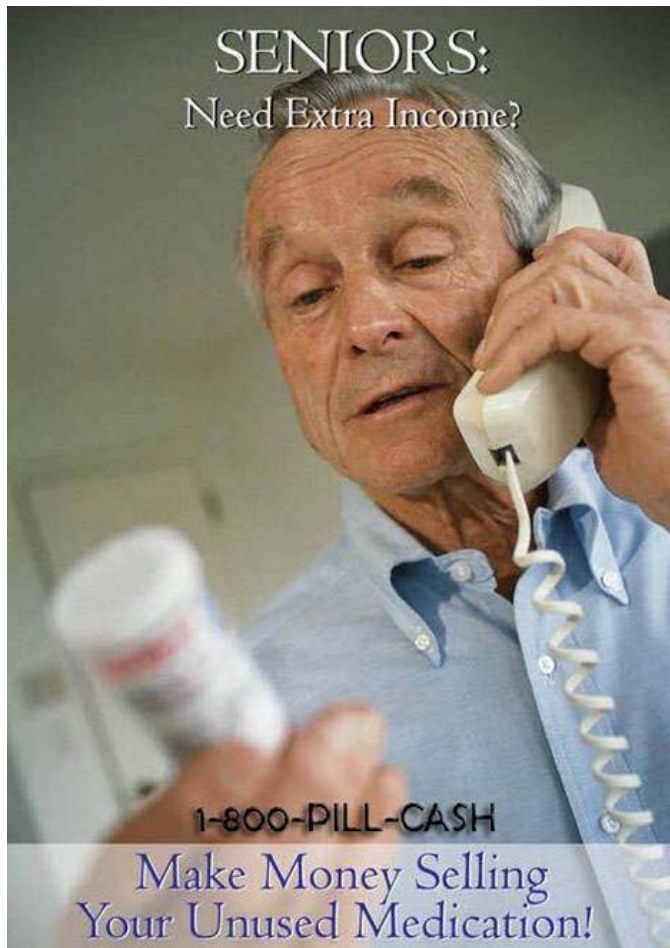
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A woman arrived at the Gates of Heaven. While she was waiting for Saint Peter to greet her, she peeked through the gates.

She saw a beautiful banquet table. Sitting all around were her parents and all the other people she had loved and who had died before her. They saw her and began calling greetings to her "Hello - How are you! We've been waiting for you! Good to see you."

When Saint Peter came by, the woman said to him, "This is such a wonderful place! How do I get in?"

"You have to spell a word," Saint Peter told her.

"Which word?" the woman asked.

"Love."

The woman correctly spelled "Love" and Saint Peter welcomed her into Heaven.

About a year later, Saint Peter came to the woman and asked her to watch the Gates of Heaven for him that day. While the woman was guarding the Gates of Heaven, her husband arrived. "I'm surprised to see you," the woman said. "How have you been?"

"Oh, I've been doing pretty well since you died," her husband told her. "I married the beautiful young nurse who took care of you while you were ill. And then I won the multi-state lottery. I sold the little house you and I lived in and bought a huge mansion. And my wife and I traveled all around the world. We were on vacation in Cancun and I went water skiing today. I fell and hit my head, and here I am. What a bummer! How do I get in?"

"You have to spell a word," the woman told him.

"Which word?" her husband asked.

"Czechoslovakia."

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During a magazine and newspaper subscription drive, our son Peter, a paperboy, learned about good salesmanship.

His supervisor had instructed the kids to maintain a positive attitude, even when turned down. One potential customer told Peter, "I've got papers and magazines strewn all over the place -- I don't need any more."

Peter's reply? "Well, how about a subscription to 'Good Housekeeping'?"

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The trouble with doing something right the first time is that nobody appreciates how difficult it was.