

Nuggets of Fun and Nostalgia for Treasure Valley Golden-Agers

Why worry?



“95% of the things you worry about are never going to happen, and the other 5% will happen whether you worry or not!”

- Woody Smith

"Worry is assuming responsibility for things that are out of our control. That's pretty much everything."

~Chuck Swindoll

“Anxiety happens when we think we have to figure everything out. Turn to God. He has a plan.” ~Anonymous

Same Boat, Different Storm

**We are all in the same boat.
We are not all in the same storm.**

**For some people, it's sprinkling.
This is a break. It's a breather.
It's a pause in the "normal."
It's time to reconnect with family and slow down.
Honestly, it's kind of peaceful.**

**For some it's a storm.
It's a bit scary.
It's disruptive. It's enough to make you stay up and watch the news and worry.**

**For some it's a hurricane.
It's tearing at the walls and pulling off the roof.
It's washing them out to sea. It's dark and unknown.
It's life-changing.**

**It's not wrong to be enjoying the sprinkles or enduring the storm, but please don't negate the difference.
Rest with family, but don't minimize the hurricane engulfing your neighbor.
You can laugh at the funny stories and memes, but get on your knees for your friends.
Put yourself in someone else's storm.**



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A recent Facebook post:



Cindi Randall Armstrong

52 mins · 👤

Well I finally lost it!!!!

I was just in Walmart and I saw this guy whose cart was FILLED TO THE BRIM with hand sanitizer, wipes, soaps—everything that people need!!

I called him selfish and told him all about the elderly, moms, everyone who really needed these types of things.

I really told him off—said he should be ashamed of himself!

He said, “Are you done? Because I really need to get back to restocking the shelves now!”



My kids laugh at me and think I’m crazy. I laugh at them because it’s hereditary!

Looking Back on 2020



In the year 2032, a college student came home during spring break. At dinner one evening, he commented to his

parents: “Our history professor was telling us how the COVID-19 pandemic back in 2020 was a worldwide catastrophe. What was it like for you?”

His father replied, “Well, everything was shut down—schools, restaurants, businesses—in an attempt to kill the virus. But not everyone followed the order to stay-at-home so it lasted longer than expected. Many people died who shouldn’t have.”

“Grocery stores were out of everything because people were hoarding as much as they could,” his mother remarked. “We had a hard time feeding you and your sister with just what we had. Your father was out of work and the whole country was in economic crisis.”

Then his father asked, “Don’t you remember it? You were 6 at the time.”

The son replied, “All I remember was the school closing in the middle of the year, and mom homeschooling us. I remember doing scavenger hunts in our yard. I remember eating meals as a family every day for a change.

“I remember sleeping really good because I didn’t have to get up early for school. I remember playing board games and doing puzzles with the whole family. And I remember instead of going to church, we watched the pastor preach on the laptop!”

“Honestly, it was the happiest time of my childhood!”



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Some call it, multi-tasking.
I call it doing something else
while I try to remember
what I was trying to do
in the first place.



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Happy Mother's Day! - Wise Advice From a Farmer's Wife



- When you return a borrowed pie pan, make sure it's got a warm pie in it.
- Invite lots of folks to supper. You can always add more water to the soup.
- There's no such thing as woman's work on a farm. There's just work.
- Make home a happy place for the children. Everybody returns to their happy place.
- If your man gets his truck stuck in the field, don't go in after him. Throw him a rope and pull him out with the tractor.
- Keep the kerosene lamp away from the the milk cow's leg.
- It's a whole lot easier to get breakfast from a chicken than a pig.
- Always pat the chickens when you take their eggs.
- All children spill milk. Learn to smile and wipe it up.
- Homemade's always better'n store bought.
- A tongue's like a knife. The sharper it is the deeper it cuts.
- A good neighbor always knows when to visit and when to leave.
- A city dog wants to run out the door, but a country dog stays on the porch 'cause he's not fenced-in.
- Nothin' gets the frustrations out better'n splitt'n wood.
- The longer dress hem, the more trusting the husband.
- Enjoy doing your children's laundry. Some day they'll be gone.
- You'll never catch a runnin' chicken but if you throw seed around the back door you'll have a skillet full by supper.
- Biscuits brown better with a little butter brushed on 'em.
- Visit old people who can't get out. Some day you'll be one.
- The softer you talk, the closer folks'll listen.
- The colder the outhouse, the warmer the bed

Five Deadly Terms Used by a Woman

“FINE” - This is a word women use to end an argument when she knows she is right and you need to shut up.

“NOTHING” - Actually means SOMETHING and you need to be worried.

“GO AHEAD” - This is a dare, not permission. DO NOT DO IT!

“WHATEVER” - A woman's way of saying, “you're toast!”

“THAT'S OK” -She is thinking long and hard on how and when you will pay for your mistake.

BONUS WORD: “WOW!”
This is not a compliment. She's amazed that one person could be so stupid.

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Fifty Ways to Beat This Virus

Stay away from the pack, Jack
Don't visit your Gran, Stan
Wipe down every toy, Roy
To keep virus-free.

Don't hop on the bus, Gus
Don't listen to Don, Ron
Don't hoard the TP, Lee
Just stay virus-free.

Sneeze into your sleeve, Steve
Stop touching your face, Grace
Keep back to six feet, Pete
Heed the CDC.

Just use the Purell, Mel
Keep wipes in your purse, Nurse
Take care of your stock, Doc
You need PPE.

This isn't Spring Break, Jake
Stay home if you're sick, Dick
As COVID takes leaps, peeps
Just follow the rules, fools
And stay virus-free!

(With apologies to Paul Simon)

Milestones



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