

Nuggets of Fun and Nostalgia for Treasure Valley Golden-Agers

Have a Million-Dollar Day!

A motivational speaker stepped to the podium in front of a packed convention center auditorium.



After introducing himself, the speaker asked the crowd how excited they'd be if he dropped a suitcase with \$1 million in front of each of them and said, "It's yours, have an awesome day."

As you can imagine the crowd went crazy. Every person in the room loved that idea.

Then he went on to ask them to imagine how the rest of their day would go.

"Someone cuts you off on in traffic, not that big of a deal, you have \$1 million sitting next to you."

"The restaurant messes up your order a bit, that's not really a problem, you were just gifted a million dollars."

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Break it to Me Easy

A businessman was about to take a trip and asked a friend to check in on his cat in his absence. A week into the trip, he called his friend to about after the kitty.

"Your cat died" was the response.

The abrupt words were a shock and the friend was scolded. "You could have broken this hard news in a gentler fashion," said the businessman.

"You could have said, 'The cat's on the roof and won't come down' "



followed by 'Your cat fell off the roof and was terribly hurt.'

"Then, 'The cat went to the vet who said that he might pull through, but then he died.' That way it's not so shocking!"

The years passed and the businessman again planned an extended trip, so he asked his old friend to keep an eye on his grandma.

A week into the trip, he called his friend and asked after Granny.

"Grandma's on the roof" was the response.



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There are three types of people in the world, Those who are good at math and those who aren't.

On the Mend

Two pastor's wives were visiting and mending their husbands' pants.



The first wife said, "My husband is beside himself; he doesn't know what to do anymore. Our congregation is dwindling. He is so tired and depressed he is ready to give up and resign."

The other wife said, "I am sorry to hear that. My husband has never been happier. Our church is growing and we are almost of debt. We have such a loving congregation. Life couldn't be better than it is right now."

You see, the first woman was mending the seat of her husband's pants; the other was mending the knees.

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"Your best suit or dress is returned from the cleaners with a missing button."

"All those little irritations and minor inconveniences go away because your perspective is different; someone gave you \$1 million, and it's going to be almost impossible to ruin your mood."



Then, he asked the crowd, "Now how many of you would still take the \$1 million if it meant you couldn't wake up tomorrow? Raise your hand if you would still take the deal."

As you'd expect, no one raised their hand.

"So now we've established that you waking up in the morning is worth more to you than \$1 million. Tomorrow, when you get out of bed realize that moment is a million-dollar moment. Start your day with the perspective of 'I wouldn't trade right now for a million dollars' and see how different you approach the day. See how your interactions with people change."

It's amazing how the same situation seen from a totally different perspective can change your entire outlook. I hope everyone has a million-dollar day today!

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Horse Heaven

A circuit-riding preacher decided it was time to retire so he put his horse up for sale. A few weeks passed when a young gentlemen showed interest in the animal.

"I must warn you," said the preacher, "this horse is a Christian horse."

The young man chuckled. But the preacher continued.

"If you want him to go you say, 'Praise the Lord.' If you want him to go faster you say 'Hallelujah.' And when you want him to stop you say 'Amen!'"

The young man chuckled again but agreed to purchase the horse anyway.

A few days later the young man decided to try out his new horse. He sat on his horse and said, "Giddy up!" Nothing happened.

"Come on, boy," he said, but still nothing happened.

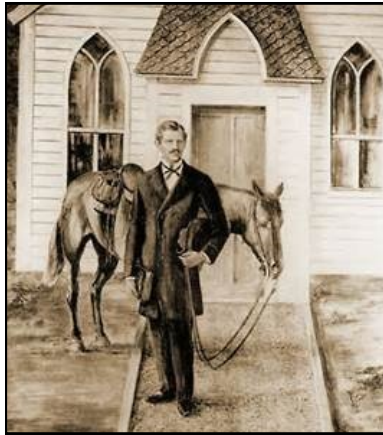
Then he remembered what the old evangelist had said about being a Christian horse. "Praise the Lord!" he said, and the horse started to trot. The young man smiled and trotted off down the road.

After a while he decided he wanted the horse to run, so he kicked the side of the horse, but nothing happened. After a few minutes he remembered and shouted "Hallelujah!" And suddenly the horse began to run. The man laughed and shouted "Hallelujah!" again and the horse went faster. He shouted it again and it went even faster.

After about 20 minutes of the horse running at top speed the man decided he'd had enough. So he tried to stop the horse. "Whoa!" he shouted, but nothing happened; the horse kept running.

By this point the man was panicking and the horse was running up a steep hill. He tried everything he could think of, but nothing was slowing the beast down. Now the horse was running towards the edge of a great drop. At this point he suddenly remembered and cried out, "Amen!" Suddenly the horse stopped right on the edge of the cliff.

With sweat dripping down his face, he looked up to heaven and said, "Praise the Lord."



And I had to walk through 10 feet of deep orange shag carpet to get there!

Going through a box of old photos

a lady found an old photo of a much slimmer and younger version of herself when she was starting to date her future husband. She showed it to him, anxious to get his reaction.



"Well, look at that," he said excitedly. "It's my old Impala!"

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Jimmy and Rosie

In 1927 in a small town in Georgia, a three-year-old boy named Jimmy lived next door to an auto mechanic, Francis Smith, and his pregnant wife, Allie.

That August, Allie went into labor, and Jimmy's mother, a nurse, helped deliver her daughter. The next day, little Jimmy went next door and peered into the crib. The baby inside was named Rosalynn.

As a teenager, "Rosie" had a fierce crush on Jimmy, but he was three years older, and apparently took little notice of the shy kid next door.

During WWII, he left town to join the Naval Academy. One day in the summer of 1945, Jimmy returned to Plains on vacation. While riding in the rumble seat of a friend's Ford, he looked toward the United Methodist church and saw Rosie, now seventeen and all grown up, standing out front. He was "gobsmacked."

Jimmy hopped out of the rumble seat and asked her to the movies. She jumped right in. He came home that night and told his mother that the baby she'd delivered seventeen years earlier was the girl he was going to marry.

On July 14, 2021, Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary. Theirs is the longest marriage in presidential history. They have known each other for almost one hundred years.



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Flying Blind

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Everybody got off the plane except one lady who was blind. Her seeing-eye dog had lain quietly underneath the seats in front of her throughout the entire flight.

She had flown this very flight before because the pilot approached her, and calling her by name, said, "Kathy, we are in Sacramento for almost an hour. Would you like to get off and stretch your legs?"

The blind lady replied, "No thanks, but maybe Buddy would like to stretch his legs."

Picture this: All the people in the gate area came to a complete standstill when they looked up and saw the pilot walk off the plane with a seeing-eye dog! The pilot was even wearing sunglasses. People scattered. They not only tried to change planes, but they were trying to change airlines!



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Beverly Roscoe
Sept 2, 1925—96 years
Nampa Sunnyridge



Elva Burris
Aug 3, 1926—95 years
Caldwell Senior Center



Dorothy Wallingford
April 5, 1928—93 years
Nampa Senior Center



Alvin Hunsperger
Sept 1, 1928—93 years
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Gifts for Mother

Three sons left home, went out on their own and prospered.

Getting back together, they discussed the gifts they were able to give their elderly mother.

The first said, "I built a big 12-room house for our mother."

The second said, "I sent her a Mercedes sedan with her personal driver."

The third smiled and said, "I've got you both beat. Remember how mom enjoyed reading the Bible? And you know she can't see very well. I sent her a remarkable parrot that recites the entire Bible. It took his owner 12 years to teach him.

He's one of a kind. Mama just has to name the chapter and verse, and the parrot recites it."



Soon thereafter, mother sent a letter to each son.

"Milton," she wrote one son, "the house you built is so huge. I live in only one room, but I have to clean the whole house."

"Gerald," she wrote to another, "I am too old to travel. I stay most of the time at home, so I rarely use the Mercedes. And the driver is so rude!"

"Dearest Donald," she wrote to her third son, "you have the good sense to know what your mother likes. The chicken was delicious."

A man walks into a hardware store...

Man: Do you have any two-watt bulbs?

Cashier: For what?

Man: Ok, I guess that'll do. I'll take two.

Cashier: Two what?

Man: I thought you didn't have any?

Cashier: Any what?

Man: Ok, then! Two.

Cashier: What?

Man: Exactly!



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**If a man is walking alone
in the woods,
and there is no woman there
to hear what he says,
is he still wrong?**

Our GPS in 1961

Go past the Howard place, then turn where that ol' red barn used to be.

Go a little ways until you get to that house where that weird guy used to live.



Take a right at the fork and go a little bit down the bumpy road. Watch out for the pot hole where Jed got his ol' Chevy stuck.

Cross over the old bridge where we used to jump off every summer.

Go past the farm where the dogs used to chase us.

Billy's place is the old white house just down the hill.

THE PARTS OF SPEECH POEM

Every name is called a **noun**,
As **field** and **fountain**, **street** and **town**.
In place of noun the **pronoun** stands,
As **he** and **she** can clap their hands.
The **adjective** describes a thing,
As **magic** wand or **bridal** ring.
The **verb** means action, something done,
As **read** and **write** and **jump** and **run**.
How things are done the **adverbs** tell,
As **quickly**, **slowly**, **badly**, **well**.
The **preposition** shows relation,
As **in** the street or **at** the station.
Conjunctions join, in many ways,
Sentences, words, **or** phrase **and** phrase.
The **interjection** cries out, "Hark!
I need an exclamation mark!"

**Accordion to a recent study,
7 out of 10 people don't notice
when a word in a sentence
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**I don't mean to brag,
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**I went to an antique auction
and fell asleep in a chair.
Woke up when I heard
people bidding on me.**

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If lawyers are disbarred,
and clergymen defrocked,
then doesn't it follow that
electricians can be delighted,
musicians denoted,
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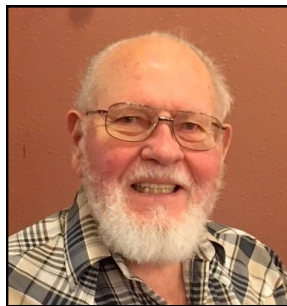
Ginny Cowley
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Jeanette Thomas
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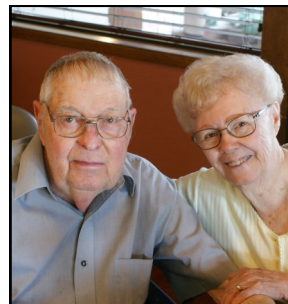
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Aug 26, 1961—60 years
Melba Valley Senior Center



If "tomb" is pronounced "toom,"
and "womb" is pronounced "woom,"
shouldn't "bomb" be pronounced
"BOOM?"