

Nuggets of Fun and Nostalgia for Treasure Valley Golden-Agers

When You Thought I Wasn't Looking



When you thought I wasn't looking I saw you hang my first painting on the refrigerator, and I immediately wanted to paint another one.

When you thought I wasn't looking I saw you feed a stray cat, and I learned that it was good to be kind to animals.

When you thought I wasn't looking I saw you make my favorite cake for me, and I learned that the little things can be the special things in life.

When you thought I wasn't looking I heard you say a prayer, and I knew that there is a God I could always talk to, and I learned to trust in Him.

When you thought I wasn't looking I saw you make a meal and take it to a friend who was sick, and I learned that we all have to help take care of each other.

When you thought I wasn't looking I saw you take care of our house and everyone in it, and I learned we have to take care of what we are given.

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Missing a Letter

Someone once asked Michael Dutt, a poet of great repute: "As you are a Master in English, can you write a meaningful paragraph without using a single 'E'?"



Dutt, a genius, wrote; "I doubt I can. It's a major part of many words. Omitting it is as hard as making muffins without flour. It's as hard as spitting without saliva, napping without a pillow, driving a train without tracks, sailing to Russia without a boat, washing your hands without soap. And anyway, what would I gain? An award? Bragging rights? Why should I strain my brain? It's not worth it."



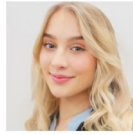
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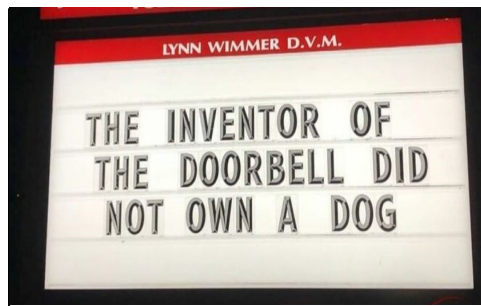
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Finally making it into the kitchen where he knew the cookies would be cooling, he reached up on top of the counter, latched onto a cookie, and started to pull it off the counter to eat.

But before he could take a bite, he felt his wife strike the back of his hand with a spatula. He exclaimed in pain and asked why she did that!

She replied. "Because those are for the funeral!"

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When you thought I wasn't looking I saw how you handled your responsibilities, even when you didn't feel good, and I learned that I would have to be responsible when I grow up.

When you thought I wasn't looking I saw tears come from your eyes, and I learned that sometimes things hurt, but it's all right to cry.



When you thought I wasn't looking I saw that you cared, and I wanted to be everything that I could be.

When you thought I wasn't looking I learned most of life's lessons that I need to know to be a good and productive person when I grow up.

When you thought I wasn't looking I looked at you and wanted to say, "Thanks for all the things I saw when you thought I wasn't looking."

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You Can't Take It With You!

There was a man who had worked all his life, had saved all his money, and was a real miser when it came to his money.

Just before he died, he said to his wife, "When I die, I want you to take all my money and put it in the casket with me. I want to take my money to the afterlife with me."

So he got his wife to promise him, with all of her heart, that when he died she would put all of the money into the casket with him.



Then he died. He was stretched out in the casket, his wife was sitting there - dressed in black, and her friend was sitting next to her. When they finished the ceremony, and just before the undertakers got ready to close the casket, the wife said, "Wait just a moment!"

She had a small metal box with her which she took and put it in the casket. Then the undertakers closed it and rolled the casket away.

Her friend said, "Honey, I hope you were not foolish enough to put all that money in there with your husband."

The loyal wife replied, "Listen, I cannot go back on my word. I promised him that I was going to put that money into the casket with him."

"You mean to tell me you put that money in the casket with him?"

"I sure did," said the wife. "I transferred everything into my account and wrote him a check. If he can cash it, then he can spend it."

Just How Old ARE You?

**Score 1 point for each
true statement**

- You can't sleep past 9:00 a.m.
- You call your children—or grandchildren—for tech support
- You used to fix typos with Wite-Out.
- You've called a 50-year-old a "kid."
- You've swapped ailment stories with your friends
- You write appointments on a paper calendar
- You've ever has a bruise you don't know how you got
- You gain weight just by being near food
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The Wisdom of Solomon

Two women on a bus were fighting bitterly over the last available seat. None of the passengers were brave enough to intervene. After several minutes of loud arguing between the two, the bus driver had had enough.

“Let the ugly one take the seat,” he hollered. The bus went suddenly quiet. Both women stood for the rest of the ride.



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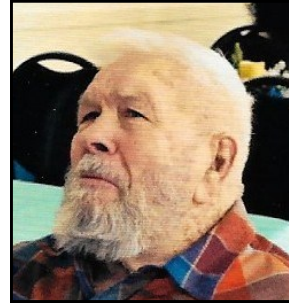


Mechanic: I'm tired!
 Drummer: I'm beat!
 Pipelayer: I'm drained!
 Gardener: I'm bushed!
 Chef: I'm fried!
 Tailor: I'm worn out!
 Muffler repairman: I'm exhausted!
 Window washer: I'm wiped out!
 Accountant: I'm spent!
 Baker: I'm done
 Soldier: I'm fatigued!
 Trash collector: I'm wasted!
 Plumber: I'm pooped!
 Undertaker: I'm dead!

Milestones



Jemal Hukusi
May 13, 1927—95 years
Payette



David Walker
May 2, 1932—90 years
New Plymouth



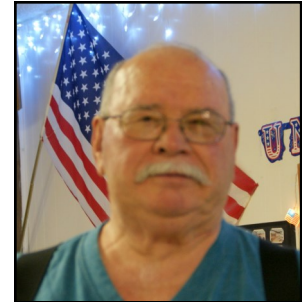
Sherry Addgerly
August 27, 1937—85 years
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Janice Peterman
May 8, 1942—80 years
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Lynda Smith
June 24, 1942—80 years
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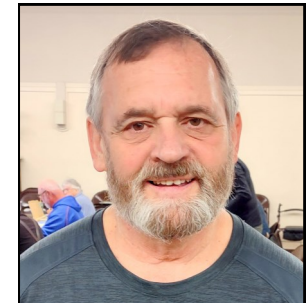
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