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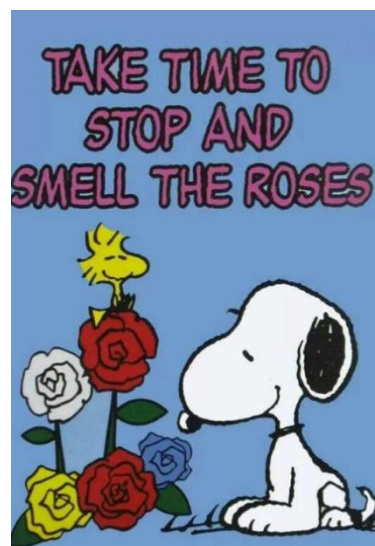
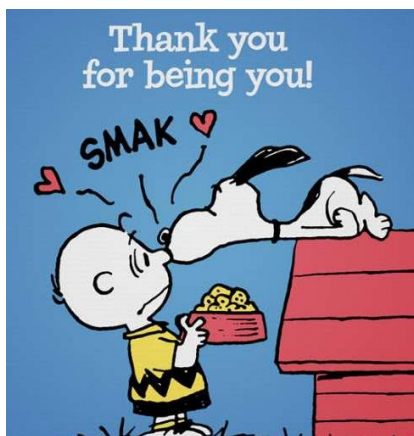
Wishing You a *Healthy* New Year

One hopes it will also be a *Happy* New Year, but that may take some time to materialize, as we continue to do battle with the pesky pandemic. All we can do for now is to wear our masks, keep our distance from others, and be grateful for what we have. The enforced isolation is especially difficult for those who live alone, so if you know some retirees who are living on their own, why not give them a call to see how they are doing. If you would like to reach out to a former colleague but don't have contact information (email or phone number), send a note to scretirees@gmail.com, and we will help make that connection.

A recent positive example arose when I heard from Grightmire, David Grightmire (Agent 007), a member of *Sleuths Extraordinaire Inc.* (Specialists in Finding Lost Trails). A Rotarian friend of his wanted to reconnect with Greg Welch who had been living in Kingston when this fellow last saw him. We made some inquiries, learned (from our webmaster) that Greg and his wife Betty have moved to North Bay, where their son lives, and obtained the contact information.

New Year's Resolutions

Consider these excellent New Year's resolutions from Peanuts and Charlie Brown.



Returning to the Mystery Man

The last issue of R4 included a photo (reproduced below) of a man behind the police officer and Cathy T – a man who looked rather like your humble scribe. I promised then that I would reveal later why I was not that fellow in the picture. No doubt you have been preoccupied over the past few months waiting anxiously for my explanation.



I had said in the last issue of R4 that I “must part ways with those who believe that I am the person behind the officer.” That was your clue. I part my hair on the left side and that fellow in the photo parts his hair on the right side.

Do You Remember Contest

The photo above first came to prominence as part of the “Do You Remember” contest at our website (www.slcretirees.weebly.com). The latest scenario (#11) has just been posted and it concerns some fellow disguised with long hair and big boobs while masquerading as a female bartender one Halloween. This may be a tough one because, as you know, it is hard to keep abreast of all these incidents from long ago.

The Power of Prayer

Each Friday night after work, sun, snow or rain, Jack, a Protestant, would fire up his outdoor grill and cook a moose steak. But, all of Jack's neighbours were Catholic and since it was Lent, they were forbidden from eating meat on Friday. The delicious aroma from the grilled moose steaks was causing such a problem for the Catholic faithful that they finally talked to their priest. The priest came to visit Jack, and suggested that he become a Catholic.

After several classes and much study, Jack attended Mass, and as the priest sprinkled holy water over him, he said: "You were born a Protestant and raised a Protestant, but now you are a Catholic."

Jack's neighbours were greatly relieved until Friday night arrived, and the wonderful aroma of grilled moose filled the neighbourhood. The priest was called immediately by the neighbours, and, as he rushed into Jack's yard, clutching a rosary and prepared to scold him, he stopped and watched in amazement.

There stood Jack, clutching a small bottle of holy water which he carefully sprinkled over the grilling meat and chanted: "You wuz born a moose, you wuz raised a moose, but now you is a Cod Fish."

Brain Teasers

If your mind needs some stimulus, look at each picture and identify what it represents. Answers on next page.



From left to right:

An I Pod, Gator Aide, eggplant, and tap dancers.

From the Good Old Days

Most of you are old enough to remember Hollywood Squares and to enjoy these exchanges.

Q. If you're going to make a parachute jump, at least how high should you be

A. Charley Weaver: Three days of steady drinking should do it.

Q. True or False, a pea can last as long as 5,000 years...

A. George Gobel: Boy, it sure seems that way sometimes.

Q. You've been having trouble going to sleep. Are you probably a man or a woman?

A. Don Knotts: That's what's been keeping me awake.

Q. According to Cosmopolitan, if you meet a stranger at a party and you think that he is attractive, is it okay to come right out and ask him if he's married?

A. Rose Marie: No wait until morning.

Q. Charley, you've decided to grow strawberries. Are you going to get any during the first year?

A. Charley Weaver: Of course not, I'm too busy growing strawberries.

Q. In bowling, what's a perfect score?

A. Rose Marie: Ralph, the pin boy.

Q. When you pat a dog on its head he will wag his tail. What will a goose do?

A. Paul Lynde: Make him bark?

Q. Back in the old days, when Grandpa put horseradish on his head, what was he trying to do?

A. George Gobel: Get it in his mouth.

Q. According to Ann Landers, what are two things you should never do in bed?

A. Paul Lynde: Point and laugh