



CAPRI ECHO

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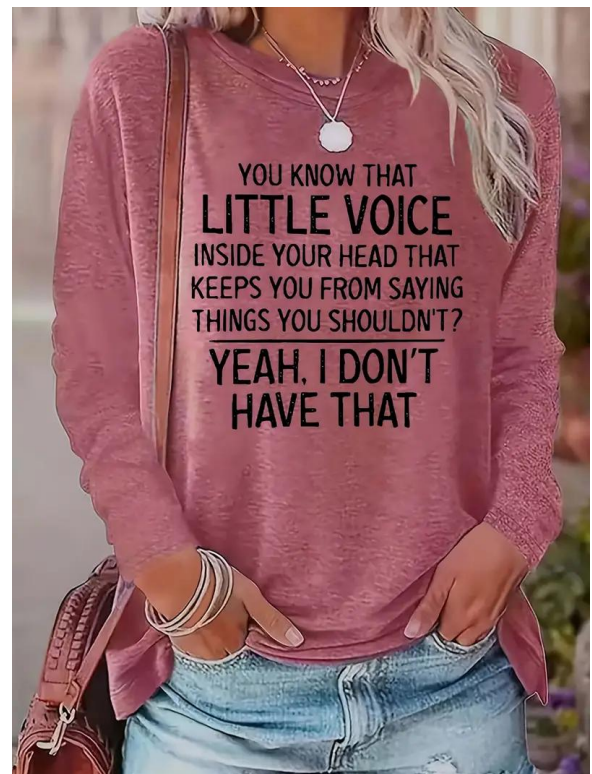
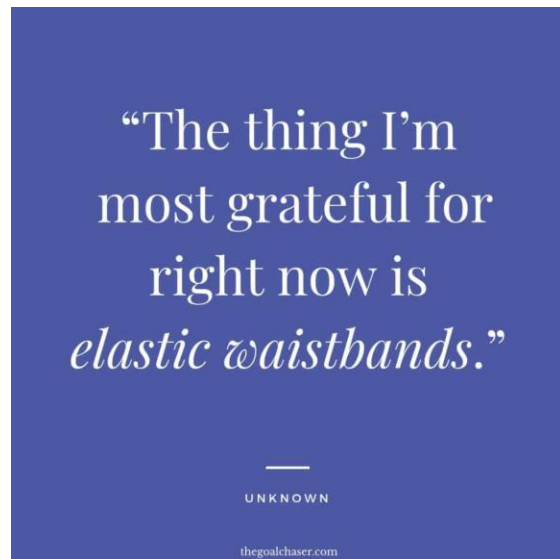
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Jul 14 – Regular Meeting
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Aug 11 – Regular Meeting



SIGNS OF LIFE



GUEST SPEAKER



Paul Zuurbier, Project Literacy Executive Director

The following information I “borrowed” from Project Literacy’s website.

Project Literacy Central Okanagan Society was founded in 1986 and is a registered charity. We provide literacy support for adults, refugees, immigrant families, children and seniors. We have helped thousands of people from across the Central Okanagan enhance their literacy skills and improve their quality of life. Project Literacy is funded entirely by grants and donations. Currently, Project Literacy has over 130 tutor/learner active pairs enrolled in our programming.

Our Vision

Empowering individuals to reach their literacy goals.

Our Mission

To provide volunteer-based literacy support services to improve the quality of life in the Central Okanagan.

Core Values and Commitment

Project Literacy has four core values that guide the perspective of the organization and create the foundation by which decisions are made.

The core values are:

Flexibility

Project Literacy believes in matching learning opportunities with each individual learners needs.

Quality

Project Literacy believes in providing free quality learning support.

Inclusivity

Project Literacy believes that literacy should be available to everyone.

Sustainability

Project Literacy believes in providing services that are sustainable in the community over the long term.

Project Literacy is going to be raising funds through an adult spelling bee September 23rd at Kerry Park. I believe there may also be a barbecue.

Their website: [Project Literacy – Central Okanagan Society](http://ProjectLiteracy-CentralOkanaganSociety.org) (active link)



The Sheriff chose **Accidental Discoveries** for his topic tonight. A couple of examples of his hard research were:

Viagra

Inventors: Scientists at Pfizer 1992

What Happened: A Welsh hamlet was ground zero for a test on a pill to fight angina. Unfortunately for the afflicted, it had little success against the disease.

Big Discovery: Though it didn't work, the men taking part in the study refused to give up their medicine for some reason.

Chewing Gum

Inventor: Thomas Adams 1870

What Happened: He was experimenting with chicle, the sap from a South American tree, as a substitute for rubber. After mounting failures, the dejected inventor popped a piece into his mouth.

Big Discovery: He liked it! Adams New York No. 1 became the first mass-produced chewing gum in the world.

Brandy

Inventor: A Dutch shipmaster, 16th Century

What Happened: He used heat to concentrate wine to make it easier to transport, with the idea of adding water to reconstitute it when he arrived.

Big Discovery: The concentrated wine tasted better than watered-down wine. 'Burnt wine,' or 'brandewijn' in Dutch, became a big hit. It then became "Brandy", since after a few drinks of the stuff, there's no way you can pronounce *brandewijn* so a bartender can understand what you're ordering.

Happy / Sad Dollars

We got a thank you note from the student who received our bursary.



Rotary Days Festival

Planning has begun for next year's event. Major items already identified are a more even distribution of workload between the clubs and an improvement in marketing.

Membership Dues

Membership dues are due now. Cost is \$300 per year.

HUMOUR



@BUGABOOMONKEY_COMICS

This just reminds me of so many of my days.

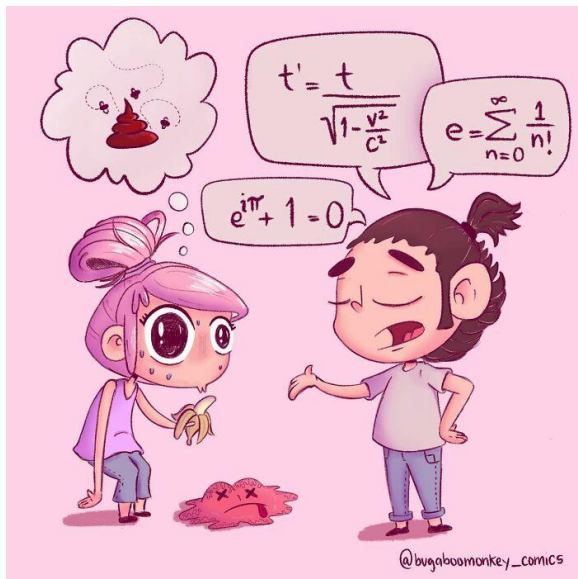


There goes more day!

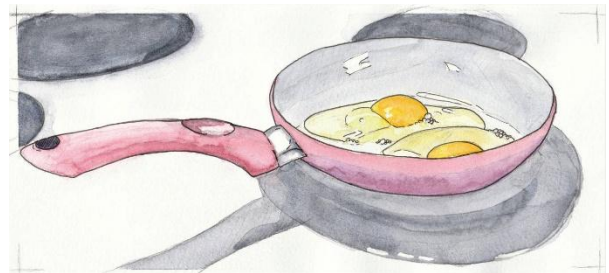
GALLERY



Sheer Depth of Pain by Bwall49 (USA)



Some mornings when a certain friend shows up for coffee.



Eggs by Mach Prach (USA) – I think I chose this one when I was hungry.



Twilight Flight by Protoformal (aka Alain Casseus; Haiti) – a realistic AI image