

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re: Amy
Date: Thursday, December 28, 2006 2:43:07 PM

Whoa!!! I don't know what Amy told you but if she had a bad morning it wasn't because of us! They blew in about 11, I guess, and she immediately informed us they weren't staying for lunch because they had 3 places to go to. So the kids opened their presents, then they went outside to play with the scooters and the kids across the street and stayed there until they left. Amy went outside and talked to the neighbor across the street most of the time. She came in and was reading something while Dad and I were in the office doing something. They collected their things, gave us a hug and went out the door and that was it. Dad didn't say a word and we were eating lunch when they left. She said they don't get to eat out very often and wanted to go to Taco Cabana. She just acted like things were normal. So I guess we're out with the kids too. I guess I'll get used to it.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Tuesday, January 02, 2007 8:33:55 AM

Thought you might like to know I received a nice, and I think sincere note from A. apologizing for her outbursts. It made Dad feel a lot better. Now we'll see how far this goes. I sent her a rather blunt e-mail earlier not knowing what she would say. If you'd rather not hear any more about it just let me know. Anita wants out.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Thursday, January 04, 2007 1:55:13 PM

What is your and Drina's favorite Mexican restaurant?

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re:
Date: Friday, January 12, 2007 2:25:34 PM

We covered a pipe on the west side that Dad insists brings water into the house so I think we're covered. Probably will cover some plants on the patio Sunday. The roses are supposed to be hardy down to 20 degrees. Thanks anyway.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

Do you all need to do any cold weather house protections, like wrapping the water pipe? Let me know if you do. I've got to re-wrap ours where the water comes into the house and herd the potted plants up close on the patio tomorrow. After we had our water freeze one year at our other house, I started turning off the water at the meter when it was going to get into the low 20's. Haven't had to do that in a long time.

Neat story about the coffee grower and Community Coffee. There *are* a lot of people doing very good things - if we could get the government to quit trying to rule the world, things might really get better. I read a lot of environmental stuff on-line and you sure get the impression that a whole lot is happening to counter what seem to be the effects of bad government or commercial culture or whatever it is that seem to work the opposite direction from good and healthy. Farmers markets and gardening and people trying to waste less are really gaining steam. All the hand-wringing (sp?) that goes on about worrying about collapsing our economy if we quit using oil is, in my opinion, just vested interests trying to protect their piece of the pie, and not based in what is really possible. Twenty years ago, nobody own a home computer but now everyone finds the money to buy theirs and can't live without it. The alternative energy for buildings and cars is the same - it's there and just needs some help to replace coal plants and gas cars. Did you know Rick Perry did some deal with the electric companies, I think mostly the one serving Dallas, OKing something like 13 new gas fired coal plants, or whatever they are called, which are just about the dirtiest way to produce electricity. Texas is the leader in wind power - which sure suprised me - Drina & I just switched our Reliant account to their all wind plan; it doesn't cost any more than what we were paying.

Marta and Ryan are moving tomorrow. They have done a great job of getting the needed repairs and some painting and cleaning done ahead of move in. Ryan could organize an army battalion I think. I don't know their new address, 88?? Robindell . She'll have to have you all over soon.

Carl

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Friday, January 12, 2007 10:29 AM

Better get out your long-johns!! We're in for some nasty weather next week Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Sleet and lows in the 30's! Amarillo already is in the twenties. So much for the weather report. Read a rather encouraging article in the Chronicle today in the busines section. It's all about small coffee growers in Rwanda who are selling their top grade coffee to Community Coffee in Louisiana. One lady, who lost 9 siblings and another member of her family in the civil war came back and made \$160 last year. Doesn't sound like much but it was enough to buy her sister and

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herself a new house. They brought her over to the company in Louisiana to see the operations. Anyway, it gives one a little hope that good things are happening somewhere. By-the-way, this is under the auspices of the Texas A. and M. Norman Borlaug Institute. He was a profesor at A & M and did a lot of work in Africa. I'll save the article or grab onto today's paper somewhere. Are Marta and Ryan still going to move in the 21st? That's the day before her birthday isn't it? What is their address? Be glad to help in some way if we could.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, January 15, 2007 6:09:38 AM

We were watching the Weather Channel yesterday and lo and behold they showed a reporter at Pryor, Okla. That whole area, including Tulsa, is without power because of the ice storm. Trees all over town were covered with ice and the branches were snapping off. One man said it sounded like a rifle shot. I talked to Candy yesterday because Calif. is having a cold snap too. She said it gets down to freezing at night but they light a fire in their fireplace, except on Keep The Air Clean days, They had just been out for a walk. Owen is doing fine again. Goes swimming, etc. Stay warm and drive safely.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, January 15, 2007 8:11:53 AM

Carl: we have a problem. Our phones are full of static again this morning. They were fine yesterday. I can't get thru to anybody. Would you please call Carole at The Mattress Firm (713-923-1009) and have her call the At @ T and have them come out here again. I don't know if it's because of this dang DSL or the phone line. I can't even get out on my cell phone. I'm about ready to throw everything out.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Sunday, January 21, 2007 12:29:39 PM

Carl: Do you know where in Wharton that Farm Museum is? I thought we might drive down there one of these nice days..

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Friday, January 26, 2007 12:29:17 PM

Hi: You mentioned one time you knew a civil engr. who could come out and take a look at the corner of the house to see what needs to be done. I think it's time to do something. Just don't say anything about the fee to Dad. I'm afraid he's still living in the depression days. I'll pay it. Amy did a survey when she was here last fall and said we just needed the corner done. I think that's right. I don't know if the Perry Co. would be willing to do just that and not the whole house. This is whom we had the last two times. The father died and now the son runs the company. See you tomorrow, Lord willin' and the creeks don't rise.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Saturday, January 27, 2007 2:20:27 PM

Carl: I forgot to ask you where we find Marta's wedding pictures on the computer??
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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, January 29, 2007 9:12:39 AM

Thanks again for the trip to Wharton. Dad mentioned several timesc Sat. what a nice trip that was. He seemed more alert while we were there I thought. You don't always have to rtake us somewhere. If you have just an hour or two on a Sat. or Sun. just come over and visit with him. It helps keep your name and face in mind. I like to have Carole come over too but she's not too big on conversation. It's like pulling teeth to get her to say something. She's a lot like Grampa Brunsting.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re:
Date: Monday, January 29, 2007 5:51:09 PM

Suhendras have a Japanese maple in their front yard. It's lovely in the fall and ***don't believe it grows very tall. I would guess theirs is about twenty-twenty five feet tall and its at least 7 years old. It does get some sun. I can look it up in our Houston Gaarden Book or you may have it to look at. I can really recommend the cherry laurel. It's a fast growing rtree and the birds like the black berries it gets.***

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, February 05, 2007 9:45:11 AM

Hi: Have you ever taken the boat ride down Buffalo Bayou? Think that would be rather interesting. Their web site is www.buffalobayou.org. Also I don't think you have ever gone to one of these Successor Trustee meeting that Al Vacek has every once in awhile. Do you get the literature on them? We do. It might not hurt to go sometime. Of course, you'd have to come clear out here where his office is. I sure wish I had put Anita on with you. She's pretty sharp on things. I still haven't taken Amy off. Not sure what to do I was just trying to be fair and divide "chores" equally amongst you'al. Candy would be good too, except she's so far away altho' if necessary I guess she would come in.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#); [Anita K. Brunsting](#); [Candy Curtis](#)
Date: Tuesday, February 06, 2007 9:14:57 AM

Here's my story of the day. Dad lost his hearing aids a number of weeks ago. I searched high and low and in places I knew they wouldn't be. So I made an appointment with the hearing people yesterday for today to get a new set (\$3000!). This morning I went in Dad's closet to get a pants for him to wear to the app't. I stuck my hand in a pocket and **there** were his hearing aids. Don't tell me miracles don't happen. I thought I had gone through every one of his pants and suit pockets but I must have missed this one simply because he hasn't worn it for some time since he gained weight. Now does anyone know how to get rid of plugged ears. Mine are driving me crazy!!! I've tried sudafed but it isn't working.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Wednesday, February 07, 2007 6:26:36 AM

You had better get over to Gus Wortham golf course before they turn it over to the Dynamos, the soccer team in Houston. They're thinking of closing it. Would be a shame.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Thursday, February 08, 2007 6:25:14 AM

For what it's worth-I went to see Dr. Dickey (the ear,nose, and throat guy) yesterday and he couldn't find anything particularly wrong but gave me some nasonex nose spray and told me to use Musinex which is an otc tablet you can get at any drug store. It's used by singers and professional, etc. I already have some. So far my ears are still plugged. It's kind of like "take an aspirin and call me in the morning" or don't treat it and it will go away in about a week, or treat it and it will go away in 7 days.!

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](mailto:Nelva.Brunsting)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re: aeration
Date: Tuesday, February 13, 2007 7:20:59 PM

Thanks for the info about aeration. I'll do that. We had a very productive meeting with Dr. Fleming this morning, at least I did. He did say Dad will slowly get worse if you want to call it that. But I went in determined to ask him about the article I read on new treatments for alzheimer's disease, the one I read in Dad's C & E mag. I figured he'd probably just brush it off like most doctors would but he didn't. I first asked him about using antidepressants to stop or reverse the condition. He knew about that but said they stopped it for now because of several bad side effects, liver damage being one of them. That's exactly what the article said. Then I mentioned about NSAIDS and statins slowing it down and he knew about that. Then I mentioned about a "bad" protein that cause dementia and he elaborated on that too which was exactly what the article said. So he must keep up with everything. He also said they're working on a vaccine which was mentioned in the article, to be given at the onset of dementia but that is still in the works. He thinks they'll find a "cure" for it sometime. He also gave me a book (several hundred pages_ called The 36 Hour Day, on caring for someone with dementia or Alzheimers. It looks very interesting. He also gave me a video called "Living With Alzheimers". Even Dad thought we had a good day with Dr. Fleming. He's going to have a cat scan tomorrow to see if there has been any change and will call me with the results. The last one was done in Oct. so I doubt there will be any. I'm going to copy the article and let you kids read it. I don't understand all the technical language but it's simple enough to get the general idea.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

Mike Anderson of Anderson Landscape said you can call TrueGreen Chemlawn for aeration, and tell them you just want aeration, and not their potions.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Wednesday, February 14, 2007 5:27:44 AM

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!!!!!!

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re:
Date: Thursday, February 15, 2007 6:05:46 AM

You kids were brought up in an era before computers, ipods etc. so you got most of your info from books. I have always loved to read. Read under the covers at night when I was young-with a flashlight, probably why I'm nearsighted. Luke and Katied still read voraciously. There is nothing like the printed word!!!!

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

I read about that on-line awhile back. I was reading articles about Barton Springs as a substitute for a visit.

It's amazing what we do as normal construction or maintenance that isn't too good for fish or other wildlife. We ought to outlaw asphalt paving and the blacktop re-do coatings altogether - besides what they leach into the run-off, they make the area around them hotter because the black absorbs the sun's heat so well.

What did you guys do to interest us in reading? I could read all day - mostly news and architectural stuff. We read to Marta when she was little, but I don't think she has the reading bug yet. Maybe just not as likely these days with so much music and TV being blasted at kids.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)

To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2007 4:22 PM

Interesting article in Dad's C & E mag today about PAHs possibly contaminating Barton Creek Springs pool. PAH stands for Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons. It's the stuff in pavement sealing that's black. Makes for nice riding however and keeps the dust down. This article is from Austin. They think the hydrocarbons are toxic to fish etc. In 1994 they shut down the pool for 3 weeks while they investigated. The makers of the stuff say it's harmless. Apparently Home Depot and Lowes used to sell it but not anymore. Anyway you can read the article sometime.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Sunday, February 18, 2007 4:58:58 PM

Morning! Will you still be able to come over Tues. about 3? that's when Dawson is going to be here. If you can't that's o.k. too but it sure helps to have a second ear. Read in the paper Friday and saw a description of what they're going to do with Town and Country area. Make it into an all inclusive shopping, living, working and strolling center. They shut it down originally because they said it was difficult to get to. I don't know why this would be any different. I think that place has a hex on it. I saw on TV today that one should practice and play with a heavy headed driver. Keep one around the house or office and pick it up and swing it whenever you get the chance. So say the experts. I've been reading the book "36-hour day" that Dr. Fleming gave me. Boy, compared to the examples in there Dad is practically normal!! He can feed, dress, bathe, ride a bike and walk perfectly fine! So I guess he has a long way to go. It's just his memory that plays tricks on him at times and I think we can handle that o.k.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re:
Date: Monday, February 26, 2007 1:48:09 PM

Got the photo. It was was small but I could see that the river was nice and clear. I tried to put it in the photo file but I'm not sure I succeeded. Sounds like you had a great time.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

Was just going to send you a photo from this weekend. Very, very rugged out there, but the river is beautiful. The front came through Friday night so Saturday was absolutely clear - really windy, but clear blue. We could see mountains in Mexico from one spot. We visited some friends of my client at their home on the Devil's river, opposite a 200ft (?) high cliff that had visible Indian rock paintings on it. The river is crystal clear and looks more like it belongs in Montana than Texas.

Hope you can view the attached photo. I'll send more if this one works.

After Michelle showed us the river Saturday morning, we had a nice scenic drive back to San Antonio Saturday through Rocksprings, almost to Leaky and into Hunt, the last 10 miles or so winding along the Guadalupe. At bridges over the Frio, Sabinal and Nueces Rivers on the way out Friday, all three rivers were bone dry - really shocking. I guess some of our rivers are becoming seasonal. The Guadalupe seemed a little down and sluggish but still there, the Devil's was flowing impressively.

Let me know if you can see the photo.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2007 2:29 PM

HI: How was the weekend trip? Hope you had some good weather along the way.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Wednesday, February 28, 2007 1:56:27 PM

Hi: Say, have you ever tried these no iron shirts? Dad has three of them. You just wash and pull out of the drier with no wrinkles. I admit they're a bit stiffer than shirts that you iron but they do look good on. I just noticed the other day you looked a bit "rumpled". Please take this in the spirit in which it was intended. You know us mothers! We never give up! I have several Land's End catalogs that carry talls if you're interested. Stop by sometime and tell us about your trip. We get the recovered couch back tomorrow, put us on the todo list for Dawson, and getting the lawn aerated so we're getting something done. Oh yes, I have the tomatoes in and they're growing already.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, March 05, 2007 5:57:31 AM

Carl: It occurred to me after we got home that you might use monkey grass to stop the flow of dirt from the back. It would be rather easy to put in, just make a small trench, lay the pieces in and cover them up. They grow rather quickly and get very dense. If you want some I have plenty that need thinning and can give you enough.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, March 12, 2007 6:46:15 AM

It occurred to me that the redbud trees we have might be Okla. redbuds. There are Okla. and Tex. trees. Maybe the Ok. trees bloom later. I've seen redbuds smaller than ours in bloom so it can't be the size.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Thursday, March 15, 2007 6:47:17 AM

Went with a bunch from church yesterday to tour "The Federal Reserve Bank" on Waugh Dr., I think it was. When you are riding a bus you can't always tell where you are. Anyway, it's rather formidable from the outside, looks almost like a prison, which in a way it is, but gorgeous inside. The architect was Michael Graves, whom I'm sure you've heard of. I imagine they had certain ways things had to be done. They used polished Texas limestone and aqua tiles in many of the areas with a "go with" carpeting where necessary. We had a two block tour which tells you how big it is. We were ushered up to the third floor first. Boy if I could had an apartment in that area with a nice balcony I would really love Houston. The view is spectacular! Downtown skyline on one side, Buffalo Bayou on another! They had a number of large outside eating areas where the worker could sit and eat. You are continually under surveillance there and we were told when our bus came in we went over a bomb detector! It's funny but when you see the loads of bills they work with it just becomes a piece of paper. We saw the room (from behind glass) where they were sorting fit, unfit, and counterfeit money and were each given a souvenir of shredded "unfit" money. It was in a four inch vial and so small you couldn't read a bit of print. We didn't get into the real vault but saw it on tv. It reminded me of a warehouse where stores place their "to be sold" products. Robot carriers take it into the vault. Spooky. The workers checking the money have to "total" out each day so there's not much, if any chance, stashing money in your pocket to take home. If they don't add up, they stay until they do. When she said Michael Graves designed it, it rang a bell. He's also the one doing the design work for Target's appliances. Quite a comedown!! Ate at Fraggio's, Don't bother going there. Drove home from church in a driving rain but at least the tour was dry. Had several inches of rain and need to empty the rain gauge.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Thursday, March 22, 2007 1:52:22 PM

Leaves are sprouting on the rebud so I guess no flowers again this year. Do you know any expert on trees that could tell you why? Are you going to apply for the phone-tax on your tax form. We're getting \$40 back. Not much but every little bit helps.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Saturday, March 24, 2007 12:35:57 PM

Carl: Will you please bring back the belt to Dad's saw? He's in a tizzy because you took it. I tried to tell him it was for his own good but that didn't cut it. He's on a project making pieces to go in the drive separations. I don't know if it;s really necessary but it sure is keeping him busy and that's good.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Saturday, March 24, 2007 5:21:02 PM

What I forgot to tell you is that Dad said he would only use the saw with me or you supervising. So if you would bring the belt back it would save me a lot of headaches.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Tuesday, March 27, 2007 2:38:31 PM

There was a very interesting article in the Sports section this morning about Bernhard Langer. I'll save it for you. He more or less pulled himself up by his own bootstraps.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Wednesday, March 28, 2007 2:57:28 PM

Just think, you'll have to wait till you are 72 to win the Pritzker Prize.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](mailto:Nelva.Brunsting)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re: new office
Date: Thursday, April 05, 2007 6:54:18 AM

Well, so much for the feeder. I'm sure your taxes are more complicated than ours. I just save everything pertaining to it and mail it to Rick. Sometimes he needs something extra. He even called our broker, Joe Williams, to find out the cost basis on something we had sold. Said he sounded like a nice guy. He is! Enjoy the cardinal.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

My windows are up pretty high - I'd need a ladder to install a feeder and to refill it. Unfortunately the dumb things don't open.
Thanks, I'll make a note to check on the telephone tax.
I've told Drina we'll get someone to do ours next year. She's worried I'm missing a bunch of deductions. I'm worried an accountant won't be able to make heads or tails of my 'books'.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](mailto:Nelva.Brunsting)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Sent: Wednesday, April 04, 2007 4:18 PM
Subject: Re: new office

I don't know what made me type enuf. I've never done that before! Rick will do your taxes for you if you want. He's charging us \$250 bucks, that's for fed. and Iowa. He does them for someone in the Woodlands. Don't forget the telephone tax. No, I haven't heard from Candy. I sent her an e-mail last week and asked if she was hiding. Maybe they went on a camping trip or something. Can you attach some sort of bird feeder dish to one of your windows? You can get some with suction cups. Maybe you could entice the cardinal to eat some sunflower seeds from it. You might send an e-mail to Amy sometime just to see if she replies.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

'enuf'? - I have to say I'm surprised.
Because most of my e-mail is business, I don't do the e-mail typing slang (at least not on purpose). You are very with it.
Glad the taxes are better this year. I've got to start ours this weekend and I'm not looking forward to it. I think we underpaid our estimated taxes last year, we don't have Marta's exemption anymore and our mortgage interest deduction is piddly now, so I'm expecting the worst.

There's my cardinal again - hope he hangs around.

Any word from the west coast? Haven't heard from Candy in a while - I'll send her a note.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](mailto:Nelva.Brunsting)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2007 10:54 PM
Subject: Re: new office

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o.k. We'll wait. The next week is kinda busy anyway. Dawson is coming the 13th. Dave said he wasn't superstitious (?) and neither am I. It's going to take a couple of days he said. So they'll come on Friday and be back on Monday. Dad can stay by himself for awhile, just so someone would drop in to talk to him once in awhile and fix lunch. Anyway we'll work on that later. By-the-way, Rick said we are getting a refund from Iowa this year, more than enuf to cover the tax. But I'm going to send them a check and they can deposit the rest in our account. The fed is much less too, thank goodness. I wish we'd hand our new broker long ago. He never would have advised us to sell so much of citigroup and put it in something else because we were overloaded in financial stock. That's what caused the big problem last year.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

Let me get this place a little more set up before you drive over. Maybe another week or so.

If you can wait until the week after tax day, I can come stay with Dad or tag team with Carole...

Best way to talk about the executor thing would be just you and me, and that's hard or impossible at Pinerock. Wish we could play golf or something, but Carole would have to stay with Dad, and that wouldn't sit well I don't think. Maybe Drina could stay with Dad while we went somewhere.

Did Dawson do the foundation work?

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From: Nelva Brunsting

To: cba@peoplepc.com

Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2007 4:16 PM

Subject: Re: new office

Glad to hear the move went o.k. I thought of offering our help but figured you'd probably have Marta and Ryan to do so. Altho' if you still could use some help we'd be glad to. Dad fixed out toaster the other day. (Just threw that in). We'll come down some day and check out your new digs if you don't need us before. I've called Amy when they had bad weather in that area but she says they are o.k. and that's about all I get out of her except that Jack won first prize in a Bible contest in S.A. last Sat. I'm seriously thinking of driving up there maybe next week or the week after. Dad doesn't want to go so maybe I'll have you or Carole stay with him part of the day if you can. He says he can stay by himself but I know after a few hours he'd get a little anxious about not having me around. You and I need to talk sometime about this executor thing.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

I'm in my new office, still working out of boxes, but I'm here. Most of the 80 or so boxes and the furniture were moved by the movers Saturday. Marta and Ryan helped Saturday while Drina was nursing a sore shoulder, and Drina unpacked Sunday while I cleared out what was left of at the old place and set up shelves at the new.

The new place is smaller, so I'm having to whittle down my stuff and get rid of what I don't absolutely need. It's pleasant and quiet here - a little fancy for my taste, but on the whole nice. The building owner is a young guy who offices downstairs with his realty and mortgage companies. There's a psychotherapist and guy who's business I don't know, upstairs with me.

My office has three big windows that look out into the canopy of a live oak, and I just saw a male cardinal out there. It's only one block north of Bissonnet, straight north of my old office, so I can still carpool with Marta and did today. She can't walk over at the end of the day like she used to - that would (how do you do the contraction for that would - 'that'd'?) be a hike.

Ever hear from Amy? I was thinking of e-mailing her.

You guys doing alright?

Carl

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re:
Date: Friday, April 06, 2007 1:00:06 PM

I hope everything is as rosy as she says it is. I sent them all an Easter card. Usually we get one from the kids but not this year. We're going to the Good Friday service tonite. They're doing "The Seven Last Words of Christ by DuBois. Both of us have sung it before. On Easter Sunday they have 9 services altogether. I think we'll try to go to the 8:00 a.m. and yes, they do the Hallilujah Chorus every year on Easter. Dr. W. says I'm good for the next 5 years, at least. Ha! ha!. Boy, I wish we could can this weather!!!! Dad mowed the lawn this morning and trimmed the carolina jasmine this after. Must be all that good oxygen we're breathing.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

Happy Easter to you too. Got and e-mail back from Amy - kids doing well, picking wildflowers and learning the William Tell Overture. She said she picked up some new students but had some others lined up for summer school cancel.
Hope it's as pretty in Augusta this weekend as it is here today. I plan to watch some of it.
Are you going to any musical performance at Chapelwood? Do they do the Halleluia Chorus for Easter service?
Gonna get cold Sunday.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Friday, April 06, 2007 9:54 AM

Don't forget to watch The Masters this weekend. Tiger and Phil not doing very well so far.

HAPPY EASTER!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re: literate Iowan wins Masters!
Date: Tuesday, April 10, 2007 2:37:40 PM

No, boy you need to ride around this neighborhood more! Westchester is now Westchester Academy for International Studies, I think. It's like a highschool. Very highly rated. Stratford is along Dairy Ashford straight west of us. They had to rerdo the brick when it fell off last year. You are right, the museum is right off the north parking lot.p

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

What is the rest of Westchester now? It's Stratford High School isn't it?
I didn't take shop in High School - did in Junior High - but I know where you're talking about, just off the north parking lot.

Ryan's out on a long sales trip to Arizona and Washington State, so Marta will be over for dinner a lot while he's gone. She & I are carpooling 3 or 4 days a week - I've slacked off going to the Y in the morning which conflicts with carpooling. Will try to make myself go tomorrow though.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Sent: Monday, April 09, 2007 4:34 PM
Subject: Re: literate Iowan wins Masters!

I think those replies just disappeared before I finished them. No, I didn't yell at the TV. I just considered the source. Did I tell you the museum is in the old woodworking shop? It's very lovely. They get a grant for it.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

Were some of your e-mails to me not going through?

Were you yelling at the TV during the Masters because of the stupid announcers?

I can't imagine a space at Westchester good enough to house a museum.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Sent: Monday, April 09, 2007 11:17 AM
Subject: Re: Iowan wins Masters

o.k. I'll try a third time. You may get partial e-mails. This things keeps disappearing on me. Yes, I know Zach is from Iowa. The announcers made it sound so surprising that an Iowan could beat Tiger and that his parents had degrees from Iowa U. and he just had a scholarship to Drake. Iowa is the most literate state in the nation!! We just got back from an art museum right here in the neighborhood. It's located in your old almamater, Westchester.

Called the Yeargin Art Museum after the people who donated the stuff. She was an art teacher in SpBr. for years and he was a photographer. They traveled to all sort of weird places and collected a lot of stuff (lot of African dance masks) but other things too. they also have an original Grandma Moses painting and a painting by Benjamin West, an American, but his is of Lord Nelson. It's free and they have Open House and Family Days at certain. It's worth seeing.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

Did you know Zach Johnson is from Iowa?

----- Original Message -----

From: Nelva Brunsting

To: Carl H. Brunsting

Sent: Saturday, April 07, 2007 8:00 AM

Say, when I was at Dr. W. the other day I mentioned that my hips hurt during the night. He gave me some extended release tramadol tablets called Ultra something and they worked. I take one or two before bed. Maybe you can get some too.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Thursday, April 12, 2007 2:13:35 PM

Don't forget to change your address on your web site! Discovered your, Carole, and Anita's name on the list undr Brunsting.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re: weather
Date: Thursday, April 26, 2007 2:46:38 PM

Well, we went to twodoctors so far this week (just for checkups}. Dad got a shot of cortisone in the "you-know-where". The doctor said the bumps on his arms and face aren't from allergies but something in the immune system. Called them lypomas, I think. Not lymphoma which is cancerous. Anyway, they're going away. Got his bicycle fixed so he can ride it again. The gear thing was shot. Tried to fix it himself but did something wrong so we took it to the SV Bike shop. They're so nice. Maybe because he's elderly. Then I got some caladiums and other posies to put along the west side. House repair people are coming next Wed.-I hope. So yes, we've been enjoying the nice weather. Sit outside on the patio for afternoon tea sometimes.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

Hope you get out in this pretty weather. Took a bike ride before work this morning and it sure was nice.

P14032

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Saturday, April 28, 2007 2:05:20 PM

Hi: Whad'do'ya'know!!?? Guess who made Time magazine this week?!! Your friend, Doug Dawson! No, not the cover. Northwestern Mutual named him "its leading Financial Representative for calendar and production year 2006. Doug represents the best of our ability to offer clients expert guidance and bring you the specialists you need to help you reach your financial goals." Unquote. Nice picture. I wonder who did his hair? John Edwards paid \$400 for his haircut! He'll never live it down. I think Doug must have moved his office. Used to be north of Katy Fwy. Now his address is 1 Riverway , Suite 900
If you want to send him an e-mail his address is doug.dawson@nmfn.com

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re: '
Date: Monday, April 30, 2007 8:43:38 AM

HAVEN'T YOU GUYS HEARD OF WORK GLOVES???

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

I'll tell her.

They built a vegetable garden this weekend, complete with irrigation. Ryan and I about ruined our hand carrying the railroad ties into the back yard.

I'll tell Doug you saw his picture and wondered who did his hair.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)

To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)

Sent: Monday, April 30, 2007 8:30 AM

Hi; Tell your darling daughter to look at her e-mail sometime. I wrote her last week asking whether she had room for some flowers. Haven't heard from her yet.

P14034

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl M Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, April 30, 2007 9:21:18 AM

Guess you wouldn't care for any of your baby clothes, would you? Maybe Marta would like them. I'm waxing nostalgic this morning and going thru the cedar chest. Have already sent Candy's to her. Lots of neat stuff in there. Wonder who wants the cedar chest? Dad gave it to me when we were engaged. Every girl then had to have a "hope chest" to keep her stuff in that she made before she was married.- embroidered dish towels, pillow cases, etc. My how things have changed. Now it's Bed and Bath!

From: Nelva Brunsting
To: Carl H. Brunsting
Date: Thursday, May 03, 2007 2:30:05 PM

HI: You'd better write your sister Candy. She thinks you are mad at her. I've tried to tell her you're just very busy. She said you used to send her greeting on her birthday and you didn't do that this year. Just laying a guilt trip on you.

P14036

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Friday, May 04, 2007 1:57:10 PM

Sorry, yes I meant Sat. the 9th of June. I'll see Marta tomorrow and ask her. Candy and O. will arrive Friday evening and leave Monday evening. I don't think the boys are coming.

P14037

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Tuesday, May 08, 2007 1:19:30 PM

HI: Do you have the name of the guy who might be able to do the closet. Do you think he'd be interested in a job as small as this. I think I have Dad convinced to let someone do the taping and then we'll repaint it. For some reason the digging under the house and the closet bit has confused him. I'd sure like to know why there wasn't an I-beam under the house. Unfortunately the guy who did it is dead so we can't ask him. Maybe he just drew it in the plans and decided against it. Dad can't remember. He's gone downhill somewhat in the last week. Has a hard time thinking that this is his house. Not sure he knows who I am at times. We got 40 pieces of sod from Cowboys today. 20 this morning and 20 this afternoon and laid them on the west side of the house and on the north. Now we won't be standing on dirt behind the house where they dug. I also found the two drains he put in years ago. One on the west side and the other by the back corner. That made him feel much better. I think the one on the west side has been covered up for years. Everyone can come for lunch on Sta., the 9th, except Anita She has to be in S.A. for 2 days but she's coming Sunday, probably for lunch so Candy and Owen can see everyone. Marta said they could come too. That will be great!

P14038

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re:
Date: Thursday, May 10, 2007 8:49:47 AM

Yes, Amy is coming Sat. I've got my fingers crossed, altho' I think it will be o.k. Candy and O are going to rent a car so they won't have to be picked up or taken back to the airport.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

Thanks for the good news this morning. I spoke with Reni Millar yesterday about her group's efforts to keep it a golf course. She said the course makes money, doesn't loose it like some have said - in fact it's third behind Memorial and Sharpstown in bringing in income for the Parks Dept. She said the soccer interests hadn't given up and were trying to get it to be just a park without golf, as the first step to then re-introducing the soccer installation. She said the renovation costs were going to be 7 to 9 million, or at least that's what the City was saying to make it harder to go that way. I hope they don't mess it up with goofy bunkers and bumps in the fairways. I think I'll have to insist that I'm on the committee that reviews the re-design.

Amy coming too in June?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Wednesday, May 09, 2007 2:35 PM

Attencion!!! That's French for "do you hear me now"?? An article in the sports section this morning said there is to be a town meeting to discuss the Gus Wortham golf course this evening at the Magnolia Multi-Service Center, 7037 Capitol, near the golf course. At 6 p.m. The latest is that it may be turned into a practice course for the U of H golf team but that's not likely. Do you know Jay Reviere, an archetect? He has taken a look at the course and is supposed to come up with some ideas. If you want to talk to anybody call Reni Millar at 713-928-5936 for info. He head a group called Wortham Golf Course Friends.

P14039

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Friday, May 11, 2007 6:11:56 AM

Did you have hail last night? Just as I thought we were safe it started to hail and blow. Marble sized hail. Lasted for about ten minutes and then a little more later. I had done a lot of work and planting outside yesterday and expected to see it go down the tubes but so far it doesn't look too bad. Lots of twigs to pick up tho"
Does Drina know what she's going to do about her knee yet?

P14040

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Friday, May 11, 2007 12:53:31 PM

p.s. Dad doesn't take a nap. He goes asleep during the evening news. I'm usually awake by 2.

P14041

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Friday, May 18, 2007 6:23:04 AM

I watched the demo debates and it's true that Gravel came across like a jerk. He didn't get much time and what he said was very short and blunt. Didn't sound very "intellectual", if you get what I mean. But reading his interview with Truth Dig makes a lot of sense. Too bad his name is Gravel. I'd never heard of him before this.

P14042

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re:
Date: Friday, May 18, 2007 6:31:08 PM

I think Bloomberg would be prez with Hagel vice p. Maybe we could come over and get your edger.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

Haven't made it to U-Plumb-It. Will try to do that next week. We can do the concrete one if they don't have the plug, but it will be a couple of weeks before I can make it - I'm on my race to the end of the month that seems to happen about every month.

I have a good edger, but you'll want it done before I get to it. If you have a lawn mower shop you like, take it to them and they can repair the plug if that's all that's wrong.

Will look for the applesauce.

I don't know anything about Bloomberg - figured he was a Republican with all that money. Is Hagel saying he'd be Bloomberg's running mate, or are they both running for prez?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Friday, May 18, 2007 3:51 PM

You shop at Beldens don't you? The next time you go would you look and see if they have any **applesauce**. It's the best I've ever tasted and I'm afraid Kroger is not going to carry it anymore. It's a glass jar and says **Manischewitz** on the label and just apple sauce. If they have it get me 6 jars. I'll pay you for it. By-the-way did you get a chance to look for a lid for the back yard sewer? I think making one out of cement sounds like a good idea. I can get a box of ready-mix if you can help some day. Also do you have a good edger? I think the plug on ours is faulty. If you do could you come over some day and edge for Dad. Or I might just buy a new one.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Friday, May 18, 2007 1:58:11 PM

O.k. what about a third party. Just saw on internet that Bloomberg (n.y. mayor) is thinkiing of making a bid along with Chuck Hagel (Rep. Nebr.) who is anti-war, and a Vietnam vet. Bloomberg has one billion!!!! of his own money to put up. That would be quite a duo.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re:
Date: Monday, May 21, 2007 3:01:58 PM

We got ours fixed with some masking tape!! and got the job done. I think it's one he got at MAM some years ago. Anyway it worked fine except I think the blades could be a little sharper. I've seen small herons fly over every once in awhile. Probably headed your way. In fact there were a couple in the trees down the street last year. they have a very distinctive call. Mr. Cruz was supposed to come over yesterday but he didn't show. Maybe he's one of these "manana" guys. He answered his cell phone in his car and said he just got back from Mexico. We often get flyers in the mail about guys who do odd jobs. Maybe we can get one of those.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

I saw a pair of yellow crested night herons this morning on a bike ride. There was a pair nesting across the street from us the last three years, but we've haven't seen them there this year.

Yes, the building that's going to replace the one I was in is going to be a monster, it's ridiculous.

You're welcome to come get my edger - sorry I couldn't come over with it this weekend. Probably can next weekend if your yard can wait.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Sunday, May 20, 2007 8:03 AM

Saw a house finch at the feeder yesterday. HOpe it's not the last one we see. Also a letter to the editor this morning from someone lamenting what is going up in what used to be your office area. Apparenttly a seven-storied mixed use development that is a piece of horrendous architecture (quote). There goes Rice Village/

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re: applesauce
Date: Friday, May 25, 2007 2:01:34 PM

Don't give up. I think this is the year for tomatoes. I have two volunteers that have tomatoes on them.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

Drina saw the doctor yesterday - he said it's looking good, but she'd probably have 4 more weeks on crutches and then several weeks working back to normal.
Did I tell you we've got a volunteer tomato growing like a weed - I put a cage over it last weekend. No tomatoes on it yet though, so maybe it's a dud.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Sent: Thursday, May 24, 2007 4:54 PM
Subject: Re: applesauce

Don't make a special trip to Beldens. Just anytime you happen to go over there. I sure hope they still carry it. It's the best!!!! I think my tomatoes are on steroids!!!!!!!! Sorry, I forgot about Drina being incapacitated.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

Drina is stuck at home with her broken kneecap and can't drive, but I'll pick up the applesauce and bring it over this weekend.
Feels like summer is here.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cba@peoplepc.com
Subject: Re:
Date: Tuesday, May 29, 2007 3:17:50 PM

This was my lucky day!! I found two jars of Manichetz applesauce at Krogers on their clearance shelf. Doesn't take much to make me happy these days! I may check out the other Krogers.

cba@peoplepc.com wrote:

Glad you could see the office. Getting to design, including on the computer is really fun - more than fun - really rewarding, satisfying. I'm lucky I get to do what I do for a living. I think the reason I let it bother me when Dad asks if I make any money is that it's not that far from something he might have said earlier. But, at 49(!) I shouldn't let it bother me.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Monday, May 28, 2007 3:08 PM

Thanks for showing us your new office. Really neat, particularly what you can do with the computer. We headed for Holcombe and had a chick-fillet sandwich and then just continued west on Holcombe and Bellaire, our usual route home from the eye doctor and Med Center. It's been a long time since I've seen the sky as black as it was on the way home, particularly on the east side. Hope you did n't get in on the rain. We stopped at Kroger and got some freezer bags and it started raining just as we pulled in so that was good timing. All in all it was a very pleasant morning, even saw parts of the city I'd never seen before. Saw the Federal Bank that we toured with the Bolder group. Dad and I froze the strawberries I bought at H.E.B. yesterday. they are now esconced in the bottom of the new freezer. Thanks again for mowing the lawn. And don't mind Dad when he asks if your're making money. Sometimes the words don't come out right. He really didn't know it was me that drove us down to your office I discovered later. He seems to have a problem remembering who I am some of the time. See you in a couple of weeks.

P14047

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Thursday, May 31, 2007 6:53:32 AM

Thanks for talking to Dad last night. Whatever you said calmed him down and he decided I was o.k. This morning he was fine, except for the itching. I think he's beginning to feel like Job. (Read your Bible). I don't know what sets him off, it's usually toward evening. I think he gets so stressed at not being able to do anything. He talks of getting a job. He talked of going to Gulf and I had to tell him they're no longer in business. Then he gets worried about money, etc. Maybe he shouldn't watch television news. For some reason the hardest is for him to realize we're married. Oh, well.

P14048

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, June 04, 2007 9:04:05 AM

Went to the Doc-in-the-box this morning after a trip to Dr. White last week didn't do diddly-squat. The doctor there say that Musinex is the over the counter name for Gaufenisin which Carole said yesterday cleared up her ears. The doc gave me a prescription for something like it this morning so I'm hoping that will do the job. I'm about to go bananas, particularly while driving. You might try Musinex the next time your ears close up. I hate their commercials. Dad is a different person than he was last week and he realizes it too. Don't know what went hairwire last week. See ya'

P14049

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [carl.brunsting](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Saturday, June 16, 2007 12:40:51 PM

Don't worry about the hat. We went to Academy this morning and got a new one. This is by Ducks Unlimited and looks almost like his old one. It was only 20 bucks so he didn't object. You are welcome to the trencher any time. Dad really likes it. Works great on edging too. He also enjoyed having everyone here last Sat. so did I. The kids had a good time with you. We really haven't had a real time with them since last Oct. I think Amy kin of plans it that way. Wish I really knew what is going on with her.

carl brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

Let me see his old Greg Norman hat next time and then I'll pick up a new one. There's an Academy close to the office.
Might want to borrow your trencher to complete my swale through the back yard - was going to rent one.
Saturday with Candy and Owen and everyone was really nice. Carole and Amy tension of course, but not too bad. Always great to see Candy and Owen and Jack and Ann. Sorry Anita wasn't there. Just sent Ann a book for her birthday. It tells the Indian side of a western story so it might end up in the trash. We didn't set out to be propagandists - Drina ordered the book by her favorite author not realising it was a kids' book.
Carl

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Friday, June 15, 2007 11:21 AM

Got Dad his Father's Day present yesterday. A new edger! Actually it's an edger and a trencher whatever that is. If you ever need to do some trenching you may borrow it. So this morning he mowed front and back, edged with his new toy and we sucked most of the stuff up with the Billy Goat so we did a good morning's work. Fortunately it wasn't too hot altho' it did get pretty warm at times but the place really looks nice now. Say, is there an Academy or Oshmans sport store anywhere near you? I'd like to get Dad a new "Greg Norman" hat. The one he has is wearing out. There are more tomatoes if you want them.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [carl brunsting](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Friday, June 22, 2007 12:20:52 PM

I wasn't sure they would take the edgers but they did. I could hear clanking so I guess they were taking apart metal stuff to save. I think it's just called Houston Recycle Center.

Ryan's great grandmother wasn't at the graduation party was she? Will e-mail Drina.

carl brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

I take our Christmas tree there and used to take other recyclables but have been using the West U one near the office. I didn't know they took things like edgers and tire chains, that's good. Do they call it the ReStore? Supposed to be a ReStore here in Houston now that recycles and resells all kinds of things including doors and windows people pull out of their houses.

Drina got the OK from the doctor to do without the leg brace and crutches as she is able, so she's very happy about that - Has her hands back. She's getting an MRI on her shoulder Monday as it is still hurting a lot - the doctor thinks it's a torn rotator cuff, so likely she'll have surgery on it soon.

Ryan flew up to Oregon last night with his mom and sister. His great-grandmother went into a hospice this week.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [carl brunsting](#)
Sent: Friday, June 22, 2007 7:35 AM
Subject: Re:

Westpark and Chimney Rock

carl brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

That's neat. Is that the one on Westpark or where?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Thursday, June 21, 2007 4:24 PM

Made a trip to the Houston Recycling Center this afternoon and got rid of the two old edgers, a box of tire chains that Anita had in Iowa and a bunch of magazines. Love that place. Got anything you want to get rid of? they'll probably take it.

P14051

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, June 25, 2007 7:16:29 AM

Since you don't take the Chronicle I'm going to send you an article in it on Texas probabte courts. This is the second one and altho' the circumstances are a bit different you may see why we have everything sent up in a trust. Hopefully, you'al will come out better in the end and so will we.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [carl brunsting](#)
Subject: Re: preserves
Date: Tuesday, June 26, 2007 12:22:37 PM

I
I'll send an e-mail to Drina about the preserves. I have a Ball canning book that pretty much covers everything/ I use wax just because my mother did, and on and on. Nowadays I guess you could use the Ball jar top. I have used the steamer method years ago and just recently canned 4 pints of peaches I thought Ann could eat because they just have sugar and no dextrose in them. But I cooked the peaches in open kettle method and just put them in sterilized jars and lids. Rather enjoyed the whole result. By-the-way, tomorrow it will be 40 years that we have lived here. And Candy bought a Prius. Her vs finally gave out.

carl brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

Our fig trees are full of figs and Drina is thinking of making some preserves. Don't you boil your the jars in a big pot of water when you can something? How come you use wax instead of the Ball jar top? Any pointers would be appreciated.

Thanks
Carl

P14053

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [carl.brunsting](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Thursday, June 28, 2007 9:09:43 AM

The paper is yours. We're all thru shredding.

carl brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

We pay about \$1,600 a month - started at \$1,300 but taxes and insurance have run it up. And that's a relatively low house payment these days. Only two more years to pay on the mortgage, which means \$1,050 of it will go away, but there will still be \$500+ in taxes and insurance a month to pay!

Sure, I'll take the bag of shredded paper for the compost. I tore my three wire mesh compost piles apart a few months ago to get at the good stuff at the bottom of the piles, with the intention of building a lower, long mulch pile pulled away from the fence so I could get access all around to dig and turn. But my temporary set-up of a windrow(?) of mulch in back of the garage, just sitting there with nothing around it, really seems to work better. The oak leaves that we have so many of don't seal off the top like they did with the old set-up, so things seem to be composting a lot quicker. Plus it's really easy to dig without sides to reach over.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Wednesday, June 27, 2007 4:19 PM

Tv problem is fixed. Called a servceman I had used before. I guess I accidently pushed the audio vendor, I believe it's called, which keeps the menu coming up. It's just below the language thing which I had changed. Were'nt you here when I did that? Anyway it cost me just 43 bucks. This fellow is very nice. He's Iranian and has been here 20 years. If you ever need a serviceman I can recommend him. We shredded away part of our lives today and yesterday. Are throwing away years of income tax receipts etc. from the late 70s on. Saw doctor receipts, orthodontist, eye doctor, college, mortgage payments, etc.. It was like a trip thru time. We paid an average of 382 for mortgage payments. What do you pay now.? Kind of enjoyed it. Have two more years to work thru tomorrow. We have a good shredder now and if you ever want to borrow it you're welcome to it. By-the-way, we have a bag of shredded paper that is good tillage for garden soil. would you like to have it?

P14054

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Thursday, June 28, 2007 9:14:55 AM

Thanks for the display on the Wildseed Farm. I wouldn't mind driving up there some day.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [carl brunsting](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Thursday, July 05, 2007 6:45:02 AM

What I didn't read was the date of the concert. It was last Sunday so we missed that but the fireworks were great. It's getting to be a big party at Runnel Creek parking lot. I'm off to the ear doctor this morning. My ears are stopped up again and the medicine the doc-in-the-box isn't working this time. I'm about to go bonkers. Dad is going to the dermatologist this morning to see what the results of the biopsy is. I'll bet they don't tell us a thing. As so it goes. I'm about ready to go to Phonix where it's 110 degrees in the shade.

carl brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

How were the concert and fireworks? Hope they played some Sousa.
We heard a lot of fireworks, both organized and illegal. Some fool behind us shot off a bunch of big stuff after midnight.
Drina goes to the doctor today to hear what the MRI on her shoulder looked like, and to add insult, she broke a tooth yesterday.
Everything is absolutely soaked at home. I'm actually looking forward to some hot dry weather for a change.
Read the article about the probate court nightmare. What a pity. Sounds like the judge and the attorneys he gives work to need to be horse-whipped.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, July 16, 2007 6:17:29 AM

British Open begins Thursday!!! Have fond memories of the one I went to in England. This one is at Carnoustie in Scotland and the players are already complaining about the course. That is the one where Van Velde went 11 over getting out of trouble. But as he said later "It's only a game." Apparently one year 6 over was the winning score so it should be interesting.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [carl.brunsting](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Tuesday, July 24, 2007 5:23:20 PM

If I have my way and I live longer than Dad I plan to sell the land. That way it would be liquid and there wouldn't be anything to be concerned about except that Carole wants to hang on to it. Sorry if she has 600,000 and wants to buy it that's fine..

carl brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

Yes, I'd like to have Dad's Navy box - thanks. The plants you mentioned too, although first I have to see if I'd have a good place to put them. The hamalia you gave me has come back like you said it would, seemingly from the dead. Unfortunately, I think there will be a lot of arguing when the estate is settled. I'm expecting the farm to be the biggie of course, but after that hopefully it will just be griping over who gets what furniture, and maybe, if you keep going with the request list I think you started, that one won't be such a problem. One of us is already loaded for bear you know, kind of like Dad was going to the seminar today, threatening to walk out even before we left. And then there's the tension between Amy, Carole and Anita over Ann and Jack, so that's likely to have somebody sniping. But honestly, in the end, I think my sisters and I will get through it and settle it the way we're supposed to, and all be thankful that you and Dad did so well for us all. How do we get the time to go over all this? We could possibly do some of it at my house or somewhere else.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2007 3:56 PM

I forgot to ask you if you are interested in Dad's Navy box. Grampa Brunsting used it to keep all the back checks in and Elmer destroyed all except a fw special ones so it just sits upstairs. Apparently it's what Dad stowed his gear when he was in the Navy. It still has a Shanghai ticket on it. It's 21 by 16 by 13 inches deep. I think it's fireproof but I'm not sure. It's heavy as lead!!! Dark green Also forgot to ask you if you would like to have that french mulberry bush in back. The birds clean it off in the fall. And would you like a peach tree. I have two of them coming up in the back. One is a little larger than the other. I don't know when they would bear but I'm sure they're peach trees. I've dug up a lot of the pits I used to throw there. Some afternoon when you have more time I'd like you come over and go over this trust thing with us. I'll try to get everthin together so we don't waster time looking for stuff. I'm very concerned about the friction that might occur when we ae gone. I hope id doesn't happen. But I remember Elmer's mother and aunts. It seems they always reverted to their sibling childhood when thy got together so I suppose that's normal but it certainly isn't what I had in mind. My brother and I were very close and when he was gone there wasn't anyone to talk things over with when it came to the folks and I missed that as well as him.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Wednesday, August 01, 2007 1:43:58 PM

Enjoyed last nite's get together. Dad said on the way home "That sure was nice". I'm sure he gets tired of just having me to talk to so it was a nice diversion. Candy said she would b glad to serve as 2nd trustee. So far Amy hasn't answered my e-mail about how she is managing to pay the mortgage payments. I told her we would help i necessary but she probably thinks she can do it all herself. Wayne doesn't want any part of the house and I can't say I blame him. It was all Amy's anyway.

P14059

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Wednesday, August 01, 2007 1:49:11 PM

p.s. I may have to learn to live with my ear problem. Went to see Dickey again today and they did another check on the audiogram which didn't show much change. They've done about all they can as far as medications altho he does want me to stay on the niacin. That might be a good thing for you too. I'm taking 250mg. a day. The cortisone shot didn't help, neither did the anti-viral medicine. Life gets tedious, don't it!!!

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [carl brunsting](#)
Subject: Re: Katy Prairie Newsletter
Date: Monday, August 06, 2007 12:55:42 PM

Sounds good to me. I'm ready to go somewhere.
carl brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

Oh yeah. I hadn't made that connection, but there is a Nelson Water Gardens, or something like that out west of town; we bought our last pond lily there. Maybe we can go out to the Katy Prairie in September.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [carl brunsting](#)
Sent: Monday, August 06, 2007 10:00 AM
Subject: Re: Katy Prairie Newsletter

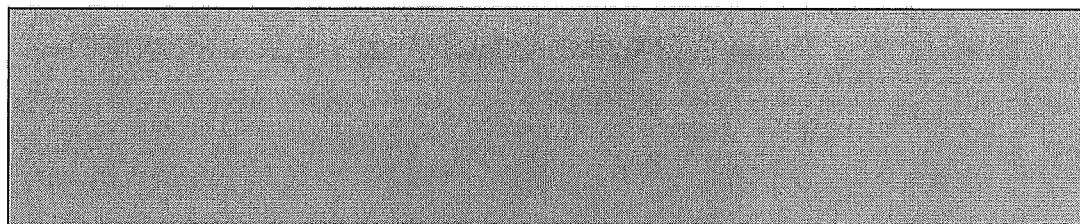
Thanks for the newsletter. I've heard of the organization but didn't know they were so active. Would love to go on that tour in Sept. I'm sure Dad wouldn't but maybe he wouldn't mind staying home by himself. I'd have to locate the Nelson Farms first. I think they have a koi fishery there too.

carl brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

I couldn't remember if you were aware of these folks or not - thought you might like to see their newsletter if not - Carl

----- Original Message -----

From: [Katy Prairie Conservancy](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Saturday, August 04, 2007 12:49 PM
Subject: News from The Katy Prairie Conservancy



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Mary Anne Piacentini

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A land trust on the West
Cost summed up what all of
us do when we present our
organizations to a potential
donor:



*Our mission is to provide people with opportunities to do
great things - to challenge and inspire them - to involve*

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them in enterprises that will make life better for our generation, and future generation.

The Katy Prairie Conservancy is grateful to the many individuals, foundations, corporations, and federal and county agencies that supported KPC in 2006. These donors helped KPC protect more land, increase access to its preserves, enhance wetlands, initiate a coastal prairie seed nursery so that we can restore grasslands in the near future, educate young people about the prairie ecosystem, and institute a series of prairieEConnection classes for the community.

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Observations

Wesley Newman
 Land Manager

Leg bands are an important waterfowl research and management tool that over the years has provided biologists with a good understanding of bird movements, especially migration. The boundaries of the Pacific, Central, Mississippi, and Atlantic flyways were developed from band recovery data. Waterfowl banding along with aerial surveys and the Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program are critical to the successful management of migratory waterfowl populations.

Modern banding of migratory birds is a collaborative effort of Canadian and U.S. wildlife agencies. In the United States, banding is the responsibility of the Bird Banding Lab (BBL) of the U.S. Geological Survey - Biological Resources Division. Both countries use the same bands, reporting forms and data formats to ensure consistency of the data collected. In the U.S. waterfowl banding studies are generally conducted cooperatively among state and federal agencies. Every year more than 200,000 ducks and 100,000 geese are banded in North America. Most of the banding occurs in waterfowl breeding areas.

Mottled Ducks spend their entire lives along the coasts of Texas and Louisiana and have been determined to be a "Species of Concern." The numbers of this unique duck have been slowly declining but the factors behind this decline are not well understood. Unlike other migratory waterfowl, these birds breed, nest, raise broods, molt, and winter in the same general area. Considering the focus of banding and other research activities on migratory waterfowl, relatively little is known about the movements and preferred nesting and molting requirements of this local duck. KPC and TPWD biologists have banded Mottled Ducks two of the last four years, and we are banding

again this year.

Our first banding effort this year was quite an adventure. I joined several TPWD biologists in July to capture, band, and take biological samples from a total of twenty-one birds including seven Mottled Ducks, nine Black-bellied Whistling Ducks, four Blue-winged Teal, and even one Purple Gallinule. We hope to band waterfowl on at least two other sites by fall.

Events

Jaime González
Community Education
Coordinator

There are no scheduled KPC events for August. Of course the Prairie never rests and there are a number of beautiful wildflowers, such as *Liatrix* currently in bloom.

Here's a quick preview of September's community events.

NABA/Best Katy Prairie Butterfly Count September 3, 2007

Participants will meet at Nelson Farms Preserve at 8:45 AM.

The North American Butterfly Association (NABA) is the largest organization of butterfly enthusiasts in North America. The local chapter (Butterfly Enthusiasts of Southeast Texas or BEST) will conduct a butterfly survey of KPC properties in an ongoing effort to document local butterfly communities. For more information contact Wally Ward at ampyx901@msn.com

What to wear/bring: All participants should wear appropriate outdoor clothing, including closed-toe shoes and long pants. A long-sleeve shirt is also recommended. Participants should also bring their own insect repellent and water.

Prairie Preserve Tour September 8, 2007

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Come see the *wild side* of the Nelson Farms Preserve

Tucked away behind the Nelson Farms Preserve's rice fields you'll find a rich mosaic of wetlands, prairie, and woodland edge that are a magnet for native wildlife. Come out and explore this natural treasure on a dusk walk led by experienced guides.

What to wear/bring: All participants should wear appropriate outdoor clothing, including closed-toe shoes and long pants. A long-sleeve shirt is also recommended).

Participants should also bring their own insect repellent and water.

Registration is required. If you would like to register for this exciting tour, please contact info@katyprairie.org or call 713.523.6135.

Prairie Journal

Reflections on the Prairie

It seems hard to think of a time when Michael Morton was not creating incredible images of the Katy Prairie. But there must have been such a time, because when we browse our photo archives, one can easily tell which photographs are BMM (before Michael Morton) and which ones are AMM (after Michael Morton). Michael is not only a talented and creative chronicler of the prairie, he is also an incredibly generous one. He has allowed the Katy Prairie Conservancy to use the images from the prairie in our presentations, brochures, and on our website. Please visit www.mortonphotography.net to experience first-hand the wonder of the Katy Prairie.



KPC: You have taken many memorable photos of the Katy Prairie. How did your relationship with the prairie start?

M.M.: Having grown weary - financially strapped - one season of traveling all over the state, I was looking for places near my home in Katy to shoot between trips around Texas. Being a native Houstonian, I was familiar with Katy and its huge surrounding of "nothingness." I mean I remember duck and goose hunting there when I was younger, but I didn't remember anything that stood out about the landscape- just huge open fields of rice and grass. However, it was close, so I had to check it out. I remember the ducks and geese but now, looking at the area through older eyes, I noticed other birds, a lot of other birds. While checking out the Texas Coastal Birding Trail sites in the Katy area, I stumbled upon Nelson Farms and a little sign that read *Katy Prairie Conservancy*. I think it was Wesley Newman whom I contacted first: he introduced me to Mary Anne Piantentini, two of the nicest people I have ever met in my life. I asked Mary Anne if she would allow me to shoot on the KPC properties (I told her I was famous), in return the KPC could use any of my images for their own use. She said OK and my dear relationship with everyone at the KPC began. I am eternally grateful to them for allowing me to photograph this special piece of our planet.

KPC: How do you choose motifs for your prairie photos?

M.M.: I don't. Tried once- didn't work. I just "go with the flow" now and let nature decide what I will shoot today- whatever is in season. In the spring I photograph the

wildflowers and the ENORMOUS varieties of plants and grasses (I soon discovered the "nothingness" was quite the opposite- photographing the prairie is truly going back to school). During the bird migrations, I have the opportunity to shoot varieties of bird species that would fill an encyclopedia. If the birds or plant life doesn't provide the "magic" on any particular day, there are still plenty of insects to photograph, or frogs, or landscapes, or small mammals.

KPC: Tell us about an interesting moment, a story, or something you've learned while being on the prairie.

M.M.: Going back to the previous question, I have learned that the Katy Prairie is so much more than a giant ocean of grass. To really appreciate what a unique and valuable ecosystem this is, you have to spend some time out there and take a closer look, sometimes on your hands and knees with a magnifying glass, sometimes with camouflage and binoculars, sometimes at night! I could spend the rest of my career photographing nothing but the Katy Prairie and still capture only a fraction of the life that exists out there. It truly is a treasure that *must* be protected, and it's right in our own back yard.

KPC: What do you like most about the prairie and what would be your message to the people who have never been to the Katy Prairie?

M.M.: I hate to just throw out a rubber stamp answer, but what I like most about the Katy Prairie are the birds. To those who have never been to the Katy Prairie, you are missing one of nature's most awesome spectacles. Any day on the prairie is a treat for birders. However, get out there early in the morning during the Fall/Winter migration and witness birds of all types, in flocks numbering in the hundreds, sometimes thousands, taking a pit stop on this unique Tallgrass prairie. Year after year, decade after decade. At least for now. Please help us save what's left of the Katy Prairie, because it's worth it.

KPC: Is there something we forgot to ask you?

M.M.: Um, I'm a Libra, I love my family, and water sports.

What's the Big Idea?

Exploring Conservation Connections

Butterfly Watching Takes

Wing

By Wally Ward
Co-chair KPC Science,
Education,
& Stewardship Committee



I have met Robert Michael Pyle. His name may not resonate with you as would, say, the name Roger Tory Peterson. Nevertheless, Bob performed a great service to those of us who like to watch

butterflies in field and garden. In the 1970's he wrote and provided photographs for one of the first field guides to identifying butterflies as they are seen in the wild, instead of as pinned and spread specimens in a mounting box.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [carl brunsting](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Monday, August 06, 2007 2:41:42 PM

Just wanted to lay a guilt trip on you.

carl brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

Sorry I forgot about the drape brackets. Glad you got them fixed.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)

To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)

Sent: Monday, August 06, 2007 3:57 PM

The drape brackets are fixed in the bedroom. I got the right screws at Ace. We had a bit of a disagreement as to how they should be put in and what size bit to use in the drill but it worked out fine, so you are out of a job . Sorry!

P14067

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Cc: [Anita K Brunsting](#); [Carole A Brunsting](#); [amy R.](#)
Date: Monday, August 06, 2007 2:43:37 PM

Got a Valerio gas station near you? They seem to have the cheapest gas.

P14068

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [carl.brunsting](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Monday, August 13, 2007 7:39:07 AM

Mississippi kites are in the hawk family but are more graceful looking. They're either black, grey and white or grey and white. They've come down here every August as far as I can remember, circle a few days and then go on. The Tuckers and I used to watch for them.

carl brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

I'll have to look in the Peterson's you gave us and see what a Mississippi Kite is.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Cc: [Anita K Brunsting](#) ; [Candy Curtis](#)
Sent: Saturday, August 11, 2007 9:24 AM

 THE MISSISSIPPI KITES ARE HERE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Wednesday, August 15, 2007 9:11:52 AM

The upstairs bedroom is finally repapered after almost 2 years-damage from Rita. Have a guy coming to pressure wash the patio,drive, house, etc. but I hope he waits till after the rain this week. Also have a guy doing the retaping of Dad's closet Sat. or did I tell you this already. If so, disregard. Anyway, we're getting a few things done. Have our free consultation with Al Vasek this afternoon af 5:30. He lost his dad a few weeks ago at age 86. Went to Rice. Nice looking gentleman. Has a daughter at Rice in the music dept. A singer. We heard her last year. Lovely voice. Let's go to Iowa. Going to bee 60 there tommorow!!!

P14070

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [carl.brunsting](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Monday, August 20, 2007 12:06:45 PM

Wow!!!What a great weekend !!!

carl brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

Intendend, going into the weekend, to come over for a visit Sunday, but the weekend didn't go as planned. It was really nice though - there was a 76th birthday party for Charles, since he just had the stroke and was out and recovering, and it started to be a gathering of a handful of former office folks and a few others, but it turned into a big reunion with the Fitzpatricks and others driving in from out of town. The party was a Paulie's restaurant Saturday evening - Drina and I ended up going out for a very late dinner afterward with the Fitzpatricks and then met them, Tim Cisneros and family as well as Charles' old secretary Patsy, for a Mexican breakfast yesterday morning. Some people I hadn't seen in 15 years, hadn't seen together in 25 years, a lot I have know for over 25 years.
Thanks for the lawyer referral - hope I don't need him, but it's good to have someone to call. Did the sheetrock guy do his work this weekend?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2007 10:44 AM

I have the trustees's handbook for you and one for Candy. It's quite a volume!. You may have to read it a chapter at a time. It's not all on your duties but the first few chapters just explain what a trust is, etc. I need to read it too to see what I have to do in case Dad goes first. Now just what we do if I go first is another matter because he wouldn't be able to handle things. I think that is explained in there also. I also put in a slip of paper with another attorney's name on it that you might want to use sometime. You mentioned about getting some sort of thing set up in case someone sues you. His name is Bill Bailey and is in business on Echo Lane. He and his wife are both lawyers and honest as the day is long. They go to Chapelwood and we've known them for years. I sent Jane to him when she neede a little help and she was very satisfied. He's also helped us on other matters. We're having the back of the house, patio, drive, etc. pressure washed this morning so we should sparkle for awhile.

P14071

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Thursday, September 06, 2007 11:44:12 AM

Somehow I erased your e-mail and the one I just sent you so I'll start again. We used to go thru Storm Lake at times on our way to Ames. It has also been in the news because they have a large Hispanic population because of the meat packing plant or whatever they do there that involves meat. They were having problems integrating the kids in school. Dad has really be confused the past several days. I don't know if he had another little stroke or if it's because we were out of namenda which he takes for his memory. He particularly has a problem realizing that this is our house and that we live here every day and own it. We went to Vasek's office this morning to sign some documents regarding the changes we made and Anita changing her name back to Brunsting. The young girl who is now a lawyer ther was very helpful in sorting out some of the papers we don't need anymore and will go through some more. All the important documents you every will need are in the safety deposit box at the bank which is why it's so important for you to have access to it. Also I need to talk to her about Dad's dementia. She may want you to take his place or maybe I can take care of things as long as I'm capable. She and Susan Vasek who is also a lawyer take care of things when one or the other dies. So we'll be working with them. I need to get a form from Joe Williams, our broker, so that we can designate that our IRAs go to each of you individually. That way you can keep them going on your own. She can probably expalin that to you better than I can. See you later.

P14072

From: Nelva Brunsting
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Thursday, November 29, 2007 9:29:23 AM

Thanks a bunch.!!!

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Got two sets of nutcracker and picks at Variety Five & Dime yesterday. Not in a box anymore, but the same things otherwise. They still use an old cash register there. Hope they can continue to stay open.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Wednesday, November 28, 2007 10:44 AM

Carl: Is the five and dime store still in the Village? If it is would you or Marta mind going over there sometime and seeing if they have the old fashioned nut metal nut cracker that has a few picks with it. We had one for years and I'm almost sure we got it at the dime store in Pryor. It comes in a small box as a set. The box is about 4 x 5 or thereabouts. If they have it please get 2 sets.

P14073

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Thursday, November 29, 2007 2:39:55 PM

Hi: If you're hungry for New Orleans cuisine and can't go there you might try The cafe Orleans express, (real New Orleans food). Got a flyer in the mail today. It's located at the corner of Katy Fwy and Kirkwood. (Not very close to you that's for sure) I think it was an Italian restaurant before (not sure). they're advertising everything from Po0boy sand. to Seafood platters. and creole specialities. Maybe one of the Katrina evacuees started it out of homesickness.

P14074

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Friday, December 07, 2007 2:32:31 PM

HI: We will be living in a pricey neighborhood! Sylvie asked Mr. Moore what he expected to get for the house he is building and he said (hold your hat!) \$900,000!!!! There goes the neighborhood!! Now I know why Asians are so rich. All they think about is money! She must have asked him a thousand questions. Don't forget the nut picks when you come.

P14075

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Anita K Brunsting](#); [Carl H Brunsting](#); [Carole A Brunsting](#); [Candy Curtis](#); [Nedra Harris](#); [Lynn Kuyk](#)
Subject: Fwd: Arlington at Christmas
Date: Friday, December 14, 2007 1:33:10 PM
Attachments: [Arlington at Christmas \(87.3 KB\).msg](#)

Note: forwarded message attached.

P14076

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Wednesday, January 02, 2008 8:34:46 AM

Iowa is really being put on the map these days. Even Orange City got a mention in the Outlook column of today's Chronicle. Apparently, Huckabee made a speech citing some poor guy who lost his job in a factory in **Orange City** and how the guy was faced with rising gas prices, etc. Then I have a neat story out of the Wall St. Jour. for you to read about a man in Cherokee who extracts soybean oil the organic way (whatever than means). He's going from rags to riches thanks to Estee Lauder cosmetic company (He didn't even know who that was) wanting to do business with him. The media will never again refer to Iowa as Ohio, I bet. Every bigwig in the media has been or is going to Iowa to cover the caucus. It's funny how they all say Iowans are so nice and polite and are so concerned about politics.

P14077

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: niacin
Date: Monday, January 07, 2008 12:28:02 PM

I think it was 250 mg. a day. The reason I say that is because I have a bottle with 500 mg. tablets and I broke them in half. Read in this morning's paper in the Peoples' Pharmacy about Nettle leaf tea being good for allergies. It's also supposed to be good for prostate health. It's a common herb in Europe and the leaves can be eaten as a vegetable. You might want to think about taking calcium tablets to prevent osteoporosis since you are tall and slender.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

| Got some niacin - how much did your doctor say to take a day?

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Monday, January 07, 2008 1:53:08 PM

When you're six foot seven it's hard to stand up straight all the time. Everything is built for people 5ft. 5 and under.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

No, I don't like Hillary any more than Bill. Both disingenuous jerks. Obama, whether he knows enough for the job and whether his policies are right, is at least a decent guy with his head screwed on straight. I just heard Hill's weepy talk on the radio - you know Bill could cry on queue too when needed.

Thanks for the niacin dose info. Calcium is probably a good idea at some point for me. Mostly I just need to stand up straight. I think Drina had me on nettle some time back.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)

To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)

Sent: Monday, January 07, 2008 2:31 PM

Poor Hillary! She got teary-eyed speaking to a bunch in N.H. talking about fighting on. I guess she's slowly losing ground to Obama. I don't think she realizes that noone cares to see Bill hanging around for 4 more years. Or were you going to vote for her?

P14079

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Tuesday, January 08, 2008 11:13:36 AM

Guess what we had in our back yard today! A prairie falcon sitting just as big as you please on the fence for at least 10 min. (I'm pretty sure thats what it was). Gorgeous bird. Real stripey breast. First he showed his back then turned around and showed his front. This may be the year for unusual birds. Yesterday I saw some ruby crowned kinglets in the bushes and a red breaster nuthatch taking a bath in our fountain. I've seen both befor but not for a long time in our yard.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: visit
Date: Monday, January 14, 2008 7:11:28 AM

Neato!! Good luck on the housing competition. Hope we meet Dan someday. Didn't see you on the trail of the Buffalo Bayou tour yesterday. There was a pic in the paper today.

There hasn't been much to write about except we drove to N.B. Sat. to bring some things. Had a very good time. Weather was beautiful. Had some of Amy's homemade bread for lunch. Delicious!! Kids are growin up too fast. Jack has already changed since they were here at Christmas. Ann is playing basketball on a church league. It's a small world! I'll tell you about it sometime when you come. If Hillary wins the nomination I'm voting for McCain!! Every news column says "they" not she meaning that Bill is running the show. Hoq did Dan do in he marathon?

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Sorry I didn't make it over this weekend - promise to next Saturday or Sunday.
You've been kind of quiet on the e-mails - how's it going?

My old helper Dan Bruggert is in town for the marathon and is spending the day with me today to work on a low-cost housing competition. It's due at 5:00 today, so it will be kind of like I back in school here today.

Carl

P14081

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Thursday, January 17, 2008 2:35:14 PM

Any good suggestions for a persistent cough? I started yesterday and Dad has picked it up today. Wish I had some more of those throat discs I gave you. Oh well, this too shall pass. Did I tell you that our broker, or rather his son, who has gone into the business with him is going to help us get out of that "last-to-die policy" that costs us \$7000 bucks a year. Thanks to your smart little sister (Anita) who suggested it. She's pretty savvy when it comes to financial things. He said we have several options. I've been sorry for years that we took out the thing but didn't know how to get out of it. Stay healthy!!

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, March 03, 2008 9:08:58 AM

I think I know why the line clogged up. When we had those helpers they would run the disposal just a short time and not follow up with water. I told them to let the water run for awhile but they didn't understand me or didn't hear me. Just like the fried eggs. I asked a couple for a fried egg for breakfast but they always scrambled them but the gal from Houston really knew how to make a good fried egg!! Lovely rain we're having, yes? Anita and the kids are coming in next week on spring break for do whatever they can for us. I guess they can consider it a mission trip for some po' folk up the way. I'll treat them to their favorite pizza place for lunch. LUke is having his wisdom teeth out Friday. Apparently it's much simpler now than yours was. However, I believe your were impacted weren't they? I'll let you get back to work now.

P14083

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Monday, March 24, 2008 8:38:39 AM

Those photos are supposed to go in with my "memoirs". Don't lose them. Hope to see you next weekend.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Sorry I didn't come over yesterday. We took Marta to Top Water Grill in San Leon down by Kemah and when we got back there was too much to do at home. I'll be over next weekend. Carol dropped some old family photographs off at Marta's house - mostly of your side. Several of you and Bud and one really good one of you and Dad all dressed up and looking like quite a couple. They seem from so long ago - you really have seen unbelievable changes in your lifetime, haven't you.
Any word from the West Coast?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Sent: Sunday, March 23, 2008 9:08 PM

Hope you had a nice Easter. I ended up going to church by myself. Boy, there was plenty of parking space. I got there just when the other service left out. However, the 11:00 time has been smaller in later years I guess because people opt for the earlier services. I've decided that to really get the Easter feeling you need to go to a small church or smaller church where the usual attendance occurs and the choir doesn't put on a big production, altho' they were very good. The Good Friday service was really the most impressive. Tom Jaber's son, Benjamin, played his french horn in several numbers and if he isn't the best he soon will be. I love to hear him play and he knows everything by heart. He also played in the orchestra Friday night and a solo. Bet the people up in Iowa needed coats today. The new spring coat was often the most important item purchased years ago. We need coats only in church. I don't know why they can't regulate the air conditioning in the church. No matter where you sit there is a draft. Maybe I'm just getting old and crotchety. They use Lee Thompson a/c co. Hope you dont mind my going on. Have a good day.

P14084

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: [...](#)
Date: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 6:24:04 AM

Not very long and I think it's getting less. Don't worry.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Five or six weeks, but Drina is still coughing some. Don't know if it's allergies now or what.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2008 9:25 AM

How long did this cough of yours go on?

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Tuesday, April 01, 2008 6:24:39 AM

Would like to come over and see your irises sometime.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Sounds like you called it about the tree. I didn't know wood ducks could fly and sound like jet airplanes. We've got our little yellow warblers back. We moved our 'pond' into the back yard, so now the birds go back and forth from the fig trees to the pond (tank). Drina wants me to make a little floating dock for them in the tank, as they have trouble drinking and bathing there. I dug out more of the swale through the backyard Sunday and planted about 20 irises Mike Anderson gave me. The big iris I moved last fall is blooming beautifully now with several big blue/purple blooms. I don't know if the new ones will be yellow or blue. I asked Mike for pseudacorus (sp?) which are yellow, but the two marked plastic pots had the names of other types. I just hope they're the big kind.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Monday, March 31, 2008 8:12 PM

Dad filled in some necessary dirt where you dug the other day and I transplanted the monkey grass along the edge and this afternoon transplanted 3 rose bushes a little further out. Not bad, huh? If you ever see two birds screaming like jets and flying like jets it's wood ducks. Two came over the other day and my description of the sound and flight of jets is very close. I heard them before they got here. I sent an e-mail to the birdman, Gary Clark, and he told me they were wood ducks. I could tell they weren't herons because they didn't have their legs sticking out behind and they don't fly as fast. Anything else you want to know? I was looking through my 2005 diary for some info on hurricane Rita and I noted a day or two before the storm that I said I hope a tree doesn't fall on the house. Guess what?

P14086

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Wednesday, April 09, 2008 6:33:59 AM

Lucky you !! With all those butterflies! I just have one and saw a caterpillar one day but it has disappeared. My aesclepias are in poor condition which probably accounts for it. Do you have any wasps? They will attack caterpillars. One year the tiger swallow caterpillars ate all the leaves on my lime tree. You would easily recognize them. They look like a big drop of bird doo. I'm not kidding! They're **ugly!!**

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

All the new ones are *really* big and *really* tall. It doesn't help that they're up a few feet anyway because of the fault.

Monarch caterpillars are munching up our aesclepias. Have to get some more so they don't run out of food. Blue irises have faded for now, but looks like some of the small Louisiana iris are getting ready to put out a few blooms. Supposed to be really nice again this weekend.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Sent: Tuesday, April 08, 2008 8:24 PM

You'll have to see the monstrosity going up in the back. If they go much higher they'll reach the moon!!!! Dad thought that was rather funny!! I'm just waiting for one of the guys to fall. They crawl around like monkeys!!

P14087

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Sunday, April 13, 2008 6:53:42 PM

Did you catch the Masters today? It was pretty interesting as long as those two young bucks fought it out but when Snedeker started to go downhill it wasn't very interesting any more. Poor Tiger.! I really felt kind of sorry for him. I'm sure half the crowd was hoping he'd win and half was hoping he'd lose.

P14088

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, April 14, 2008 6:49:17 AM

Say, do you or Carol have that extra set of keys that we made copies from.? It comes in handy sometimes.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Tuesday, April 15, 2008 6:21:09 PM

I've had a problem with pain going down from under my armpit to my elbow and to the 2 numb fingers on my left hand. Doctor White said the problem was with a nerve in my shoulder and gave me naprosylin (?) to take twice a day and do the heat and cold. I haven't had a pain since I started that so that's probably what it is. Had an echocardiogram today and everything is hunky-dory so don't write me off yet. You are going to have to come over and explain some of these things those carpenters are doing. I'm sure that's vinyl siding they're putting on the back. Must say it looks very tidy. Those guys sure can put away the work. We were gone from 12:45 till 2:30 and when we came back they had several windows in in the back and several more framed out. I don't know about those big windows tho'. They don't look too sturdy to me even tho they are those Jel-Wyn (?) windows. Did you et your tax done?

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

What's wrong with your shoulder?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Tuesday, April 15, 2008 10:17 AM
Subject: Re:

after a second look it looks to me like they use particle board instead of plywood sheeting. Is that what they use these days. I thought particle board didn't have a very good reputation. And no I don't spend all my time watching the builders. I have to put heat and cold on my shoulder a couple times a day and that's when I see what they're doing.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Yes, they'll wrap the house before they install any insulation inside the walls. All the builders do is lumpy roofs these days - castle is what the folks want. One very good architect suggested 'building up from the cabin and not down from the castle'.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Tuesday, April 15, 2008 8:51 AM
Subject: Re:

Looks to me like they put up the Tyvek before the "battens", could that be? I think they're putting wood sheeting over the studs. But it also looks to me like they're using vinyl siding on the garage, at least it has a coat of paint on already. That house has more peaks than a castle!!

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

The insulation is still likely in 'batt' form, inside the walls, between the 2 x 4 studs. The Tyvek wrap is in place of the old asphalt impregnated felt paper, (that I still use) - it's faster for the builders, but I don't know of any other advantage. They absolutely throw them up these days, especially the framing part of the work. Did they at least put some form of wood sheathing on the studs over the whole exterior on the one behind you? Sometimes they just put plywood at the corners, with a paper-thin styrofoam over the rest of the studs, even on million dollar houses.

Is the roof good and funny looking?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)

To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)

Sent: Monday, April 14, 2008 3:52 PM

Looks to me like all you need to build a house these days is lumber and a nail gun or staple gun, whatever. Oh yes, and Tyvek house wrap. Lots of it. I know you don't like it but They can use as much of it as they like. We have stock in DuPont. I thought insulation went on in battens but these days they just wrap the house, right?

P14091

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Thursday, April 17, 2008 6:51:32 AM

No, this is during the day and we've seen them run out of the garage. We don't have raccoons or possums around during the day. Now we've learned to keep the door shut.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Those sound more like raccoon or possum highjinx than a squirrel.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2008 1:26 PM
Subject: Re:

I have a squirrel story for you. I have a pail with seeds in it on the bench in the garage. I have had 2 heavy boxes of drills on it already which they managed to push off. The other day I tried a heavy pail of paint. The "\$#%@%&*@ thing pushed the pail off and spilled paint on the rug which wasn't all that much of a loss. Dad dragged it out of the garage and across the back walk and rinsed it off. But I've thrown it away. Tell Marta to put an inverted funnel on the pole, make it a big one or maybe you can make one out of sheet metal. Also you might try rubbing the pole with vaseline. Actually the best way is to use a feeder under a dome and far enough from a tree so they can't jump to the feeder. Next to Bush I hate squirrels. There is a feeder with a flip lid that is squirrel proof but it's rather expensive. It's metal.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Yes, got the taxes done. Mailed too much money to Unca Sam yesterday, 40% of which goes to the damn military unfortunately. Heard a radio story about a retired Methodist minister and his RN wife who have refused to pay taxes for some time. Didn't hear how they manage to stay out of jail. They give them a check for what they owe to their county instead of GW.

I don't know what the grey tanks are in your neighbors' attic, unless they are really big water heaters, which those houses can have, and they usually end up in the attic.

Another beautiful day. I made a little platform feeder Sunday, and it's a hit with birds. Squirrels haven't figured out how to climb it - yet. Marta said the squirrels climb right up the one inch pole to their new feeder and flip the lid open and dig in.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2008 8:25 AM

One more question and then I won't bother you anymore. Gotta' stay up on these things you know. There are two "gray drums or

containers" way up in the attic of the new house. Would those be the water tanks? I think there is a red hose to one and a white hose to the other. There is copper tubing coming out of the top. Too high for anyone to steal, that's for sure.

Re:

Subject: Re:

From: Nelva Brunsting <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>

Date: 4/22/2008 12:37 PM

To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net

Yes, after he interpreted the medical language for me and him he has come to the conclusion that he should confer with Dr. McGowan who you and I saw some time back and go from there as far as treatment is concerned. He talked about cavities in one of my lower lungs and I'm not sure what that meant. Anyway, he has started me on some new medication which I can't even pronounce but is supposed to build me up, I think. He also tested my thyroid this morning by having Nada draw some blood. Boy!! You come from a line of royal blood!! It was practically black!! I'll keep you informed.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Any word from Dr. White on your CAT scan?

----- Original Message -----

From: Nelva Brunsting

To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net

Sent: Monday, April 21, 2008 7:48 PM

Subject: Re:

Guess I struck it lucky. I was afraid the yellow might be too yellow but you can always save that one for dress!!

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Be my guest and drop by for a backyard visit.

Thanks for the three nice shirts! I'm always wearing their T-shirts, and was in need of another button-down for work - Thanks.

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From: Nelva Brunsting

To: Carl H Brunsting

Sent: Monday, April 21, 2008 10:49 AM

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Wednesday, April 23, 2008 6:44:11 AM

Did I tell you that our meeting on the 25th of April is off because Anita can't come in that day. So the new day is May 2 which I think is also on a Friday but it's at 1:45 I think. I'll double check with his secretary. this would give Anita plenty of time to get here.

P14095

From: [Nelva Brunsting](mailto:Nelva_Brunsting)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: lungs
Date: Wednesday, April 23, 2008 6:34:08 PM

Well, I still tire rather quickly but remember they say it's going to take 6 months to really feel better and this is only April, well the last of it so I have a ways to go. Did you ever move your fridge? I, or rather we did tonite because they'll have to move it. Brother, what a mess underneath!! I had to get the mop to clean it up. It it wasn't so hard to move and it shouldn't be I'd clean under there more often. It was so good to see Marta. She's such a doll. Enjoyed seeing what you are doing with your backyard too.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

So it was your lungs he was getting the shots of. Is your breathing still not up to normal after the pneumonia?

----- Original Message -----

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To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Thursday, April 24, 2008 5:26:45 PM

No, I wondered if you knew the meaning. It goes back quite a few years.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Sounds like you got a good guy for the cabinets. I was wondering how they were going to rig it to make those inside hinges work.

I didn't hear about Shipleys - INS raided it huh? That's too bad. I don't like how fast things change with so many people immigrating so fast, but it's not their fault - their countries have no work and awful problems and we employ them forever and then treat them like criminals. Even GW is for a sensible immigration policy - it's one of the few things he's got right. It's this stupid snowballing of the Homeland Security stuff along with a bunch of Republican politicians who fish for votes from people who hate 'feriners'.

I know what high horse means, but were you asking if I knew its origin?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2008 2:51 PM
Subject: Re:

Well, this morning I thought I struck out with the cabinet work. The guy didn't show up again so I got on my high horse and called the office. They had been trying to get hold of him all morning so they sent out a second man this afternoon, name is Gabriel. What a difference. He says they don't spray they use the brush. I didn't see how they were going to spray everything in the first place and he said they won't be able to use the inside hinges because of the way the cabinets are built. Not enough room to attach the hinge inside. So he's going to look for something else. **And** he said he would be done in three days not 8 like the other guy said. So they'll be thru Monday sometime at the latest Tues. And he showed me why they can't put the trim on the outer edge of the cabinets and I can see why.

Right now he's at home depot getting samples of paint and trim and is coming back pretty soon. The other guy was just a jerk. This one is so much neater also. You can't beat the Hispanics for work ethic. I say to heck with the immigration problem. Look what they did to Shipley's donuts the other day. Took most of their longtime employees away because the feds say they're here illegally!! Well, I'll get down off my high horse (you do know what they mean don't you?) and won't bother you any more.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Glad to hear the antibiotic is doing some good.
Good luck with the cabinet work.

P14098

----- Original Message -----

From: Nelva Brunsting

To: Carl H Brunsting

Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2008 8:25 AM

Boy! I don't know what's in that claromicythin (?) Doc White gave me but I feel like a different person this morning! He sure knows his stuff. He said he was going to "confer" with McGowan and see if there is anything further that need to be done. The "painters" come this morning. I decided at 6 oclock ths morning to use the same door handles. It's the hinges that discolor and they are going to use the spring hinges inside ones that don't show so that will make a big difERENCE. Besides saving us some money.

P14099

Re:

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From: Nelva Brunsting <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>

Date: 4/28/2008 1:52 PM

To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@global.net
Date: Sunday, April 27, 2008 8:13:45 PM

Hi: Did you see the playoff at the Byron Nelson Classic this afternoon. It was really good. I was hoping the American fellow, Ryan Moore would win but you can't fault Adam Scott's 48 ft putt that went in on the third playoff hole. Both guys were cool as cucumbers. Got a long letter from Candy this morning. Their computer crashed so they lost all their data and she asked me to provide you'al's addresses. She wrecked the Prius trying to avoid hitting a kitten and was without it for 15 days! Since they didn't have car rental insurance she had to foot the bill herself. I think I'd let the cat take it's chances. Europeans don't have any problem if they run over something. It's either them or the animal. It sounds like Kevan is on the right track. Incidentally, I tried to forward her letter but I didn't get anywhere so I'm just telling the highlights. Apparently there is a machine that would make it easier for him to make crowns and bridges and I think that is what he needs the money for. I could be wrong.

So we'll see what happens. You know Candy, blow and go. She said Kevan is already dreaming of where he wants to buy a home. I hope he isn't dissapointed!

P14101

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Monday, April 28, 2008 8:02:41 AM

Will answer later. Have to take Dad to Doc Fleming now,.

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Date: Friday, May 02, 2008 11:43:24 AM

HI: Could you stop by sometime and cut down the larger peach tree in back. Iv'e decided they'll never get any fruit. We took down the smaller one but Dad had trouble with the larger one. I trimmed all the lower branches off.

P14104

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Sunday, May 04, 2008 6:05:43 AM

Still have proxy vote. Plan to do that anyway. Thanks.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, May 05, 2008 5:41:36 PM

Well, the paint job is finally over. I don't believe I'll recommend Handyman Connections to anyone who asks. It took 3 different sets of people to get the job done. The first never came back, the second had a door made for the sink out of something that I'm sure wasn't wood. the finish was like a hairbrush Unfortunately I didn't notice it before I paid them. However, after I called the office **again** they sent out a couple who had a good door but I had to buy a quart of paint for them to finish it. Plus they came out with a couple of "apprentices", I guess you'd call them, that looked like they spent the night under a bridge. I'm not being snooty. They really did. I don't know where they get these people. The couple was nothing to brag about either. I'm sure she smoked because she hacked all the time she was here. I must say they were very polite and did correct some other things too. And it does look nice now. I think I'll get some cream colored wallpaper sometime to do with the cupboard color. That is after we pay a \$6300 plus bill from the co-op we got today for fertilizer etc. I nearly fell over. Boy, has the cost of stuff gone up!!! By-the-way, if you want to hear something really spectacular at no cost come to the Grace Prs. Church Sat. to hear Haydn's "the Creation". It's be done by the Houston Masterworks Chorus and the Tallowood Choir. It's a marvelous work and the acoustics in that church are sensational. It's at 7:30 but we plan to be there at least a half hour early. You won't be sorry. We went to the Elijah oratorio at the Mem. Dr. Mth. Sunday night but that was very disappointing. They should have used these lapel mikes on the singers because you couldn't understand half of what was sung. Fortunately I know most of the word because our choir has done it several times. It's really a great oratio. About Elijah and the 450 Baal gods. (Read your Bible). 1Kings 18. The orchestra was too loud too. And the director was a young woman which is o.k. but she wore a dress and every time she lifted her arms the dress would move up too. Very distracting. She should have worn a pantsuit. **MEOW!!!!!!** And last but not least Elmer's cousin Lynn Kuyk called this afternoon and they're moving back to W. Va. and put their condo on the market in Florida. want to buy a condo? Things aren't moving there so they took it off the market for now. Tha-tha-that's all folks!!!! p.s. Have a nice sized tomato one and a number of smaller ones too. Now if we can only keep the birds away.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Monday, May 19, 2008 6:39:54 AM

Sure, if you are going to use it. Takes about 5 minutes to mix it up but use a large bowl and you may need a dome to keep the squirrels from tearing it apart. Did I give you the recipe? Also you need a 8 or 9 inch square aluminum pan to put it in. Score it in 4 pieces before freezing.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

May I hang on to it? I was thinking about getting it back in use after reading about suet feeders for backyard habitats last week . Just have to get making suet into the routine.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Saturday, May 17, 2008 11:24 AM

Hi: Do you still have that "suet" feeder Dad made for you'al. If you have never used it would you bring it back some time? I gave Jane (my friend) an old one I found in the garage but it was pretty soiled. She wanted to try the recipe. She has lots of birds in her backyard.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Tuesday, May 20, 2008 7:08:19 AM

You must be thinking of "Shorty". He was tiny. Sherman was regular height and always very nicely dressed. Anyway, you should see our flower beds! His son and his family showed up last evening just as we were finishing supper. He had his wife, I guess, and one teenage son with him and three little tykes, one was a grandbaby!. The little boys found your old tractor and played with that. Anyway, you should have seen the way they attacked the flower beds. I thought they were goners but boy do they look nice. Glyn even got down on his hands and knees in the garden. they're going to do the beds across the street today. Just wanted to keep you up to date on what's going on.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

I netted our tomato plants yesterday; they're huge, but not many tomatoes on them. I remember Sherman. Tiny man. We've got enough firecracker ferns, in fact maybe more than I want. The ones I put in this year are OK, but the ones from a year or two ago have a lot of grey to them - not looking good. I don't want any more if they're going to be finicky, but thanks. It is hot out there - summer has arrived in Houston.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Monday, May 19, 2008 2:51 PM

Do you have room for two more firecracker plants. They're really messing up my garden and are sprawling all over. If you want them we'll did them up and bring them over some evening. Do you remember Sherman Lasker the black man who was sacker for years at Randalls? He passed away. He was the nicest and most polite man I've ever met. Never put too many groceries in one sack. . I think I told you his son came by some months ago and washed the windows along with half his family. He stopped by Friday to tell me his dad had passed away and wanted to do the windows again. This time he just had his boys with him. But he was supposed to show up today and do some weeding in the garden for me but hasn't shown so far. He was going to bring me a Black Diamond watermelon too. Dad used to buy those off the truck from men who drove up from Texas to sell them in the summer. They were so good!!! Sherman's son is just a scrawny little guy but a willing worker. I think he needs the money too. We went out awhile ago to pu some more netting around the tomato plants but gave up after one. Lordy!! It's hot out there. We'll just wait till evening or the cool of the morning. Have lots of tomatoes on.

P14108

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Tuesday, June 10, 2008 6:54:06 AM

I plan on taking Dad aalong. I think hie'll be o.k. I told Candace I would have him with me and I'm sure she will be discreet when handling that matter. I think the plastic bowl covers usually come in packets of various sizes. So an assortment would be fine.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

What are you going to do with Dad while you meet at Vacek's? I can plan on being at the house about 1:40, unless something comes up, in which case I'll let you know.
Will go to Variety 5 & 10 and see about the cord holder. What size plastic bowl tops?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Monday, June 09, 2008 3:23 PM
Subject: Re:

Well, if you want to and are able. We're meeting with her at 2:00, this Wednesday. Also have a small favor to ask of you. Sometime on your lunch time would you go the the Dime store and see if they carry an ironing cord holder that clamps on to the ironing board and is flexible and keeps the cord in place and also if they still carry plastic bowl covers. I suppose by now they're 5 bucks a piece but that's o.k.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

That all sounds good. As Elvis said 'TCB , man.' (Taking Care of Business).
I was going to ask you about getting Dad's competence taken care of. Do you want me to go along to Vasek's?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Monday, June 09, 2008 1:32 PM
Subject: Re:

You need to call 1-800-got-junk to clean out your garage. I think that's what I'll do to clean ours out some day.I think they charge \$85 for the first load. I'm meeting with Candace of Vasek's firm Wed. to change the trustee from Candy to Anita. That's the last change I'll make and also to declare Dad unable to make legal and financial decisions. I have a letter from Dr. White and am getting one from Dr. Fleming. I had to blow my stack because they were going to have me meet with some new flunky. I appreciate Al's efforts to enlarge his staff but I would like to stay with one person for a while. Didn't know I had it in me.! Glad you changed your mind on the tractor.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Glad you got a good night's sleep. Hope that keeps up.
I'll be glad to have the tractor. Yeah, likely Marta and Ryan will have someone to ride it before long.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)

To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net

Sent: Monday, June 09, 2008 9:03 AM

Subject: Re:

HI; I spent the whole night in bed last night for the first time in over six or seven months. And my hip didn't hurt either! Usually I sleep there just an hour or two then end up in Dad's chair or the sofa or the other chair. Usually for just a few hours at the most. Really takes a toll on one's bod. I feel like a different person this morning! Don't know what happened. My stomach or digestive problems aren't bothering me either. Don't know what happened but I'm for it. I'd really like for you to have the tractor. Maybe Ryan and Marta could keep it in their garage. That was really special. I don't think any of the girl's would want it.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Thanks, I'd love to have the bookcases someday, and while I haven't mentioned it to her, I know Marta would love some of your shells. I wouldn't wish life in my garage on anything, so I think the tractor can go wherever it's wanted.
How you feeling?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)

To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)

Sent: Saturday, June 07, 2008 9:58 AM

Thanks for the prompt return of my letter. I think the bookcase won't cause you a problem. Would you like to have your John Deere tractor. Dad did get it for you originally. who knows, you may have a grandson some day who would like to ride it. They're quite expensive these days. I'll tell Marta to come over some time and pick out the shells she would like to have. I've labeled most of them.

P14110

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Tuesday, June 17, 2008 8:40:06 AM

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----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Monday, June 16, 2008 8:37 AM

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P14111

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From: Nelva Brunsting <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>

Date: 6/17/2008 8:40 AM

To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Friday, June 20, 2008 7:04:07 AM

I guess I owe Tiger an apology. He apparently had more problems than just the knee but didn't let on. Had a tibia stress fracture or something like that. My apologies, Tiger! Incidentally as of the moment I cannot find that list you sent back. If I send you another will you fill it out again.. This time I'll put it in a notebook I have for such things. I still hope to find the one you originally sent. By=the-way, that vase on the mantle is not an antique. I bought it at Brookwood but you are welcome to it anyway.

P14113

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl id Brunsting](#)
Date: Saturday, June 21, 2008 11:56:08 AM

Hey, do you have spell check on your computer? If you do you'd better use it. I ran across one of your letters you wrote when you were at A \$ M. You were writing for money. Verrrry interesting, but boy the spelling errors were numerous. You must take after your Dad when it comes to spelling (I won a silver dollar in a spelling contes!!!). Such humility!!!! And yes, I think we saved all your letters, even the ones when you were in France. Like my brother you write very interesting letters but he couldn't spell either. That's alright. Nobody's perfect. Did you have a lot of wind in your office area the day the wall blew down at Rice.?

P14114

From: [Neva Bruning](#)
 To: [cbarch@sbcglobal.net](#)
 Subject: Re: Emailing: 5206 Grape, Houston, TX 77096
 Date: Tuesday, June 24, 2008 6:41:46 AM

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House looks nice but the price is a bit pricey. I don't know what we could get for this one but I suspect maybe 350,000. The market seems to be a bit slow around here right now. But thanks anyway, I appreciate your looking. Even Dad agrees we don't need something this large. Oh, but I hate the thought of getting everything together to move, particularly the garage. I think I would call GOT-STUFF and let them haul it away, even tho' they're not cheap. Yes, you may have Dad's cast iron toys, and I think there are a few of Bud's too. They're on the shelves in Carol's room. I don't know what to do with Dad's train set. The tracks are on a board in the attic. There are about 3 cars I think, and what about your train set? Say, you might ask Carole about her lawn mower. He's very inexpensive. Even if you had him every two weeks like she does it would give you a little respite.
cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Here's what looks like a pretty nice - open, bright - house in a very nice neighborhood behind Marta's old school, Pilgrim Lutheran. There's another that's even closer to us, but I can't find the info on-line to send you.



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
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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Tuesday, June 24, 2008 6:45:12 AM

o.k, the cedar chest is hers and the apple blossom set. The store in Victoria, Canada still carries that pattern if you want more. It's a very popular pattern in Canada because of an area that grows apples in Nova Scotia I believe. I think I still have the bag from the store.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

We've had some great rains last few days too. Here at the office it looks like we're about to get some more.
Drina said yes to the cedar chest unless someone else has their heart set on it. Same for the apple blossom dessert dishes.
Thanks

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Monday, June 23, 2008 2:11 PM

Hey, you can ignore my request to go to the dime store. I found just what I was looking for in a catalog I got. Was that all you wanted on the list you sent back? I thought there was a few more things. I thought maybe Drina would like the cedar chest. It's great for storing blankets in and stuff. We had a great rain Friday. I think it was. One inch!!

P14117

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Thursday, June 26, 2008 6:43:41 AM

Thanks a bunch-I'll wait. The paper has had several articles, this morning a big one, on the Kirby tree situation. Looks like the tree boosters are the losers.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

I think I forgot to tell you that Variety didn't have the iron cord holder last week - said they normally do but were sold out. They took my name and will call when they come in.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Wednesday, June 25, 2008 10:44 AM

On the other hand I think I will have you go to the dime store to see if they have the ironing cord holder. The one in the catalog has some sort of extension cord tied to it. I don't need that. Just when you have time. I'm going to call Vaseks and get an app't with Candace now that I have the letters from both doctors. I'll let you know when that is. Apparently she has to go to court sometimes to testify in cases.

P14118

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: Emailing: Thomas Restaurant
Date: Friday, June 27, 2008 6:40:33 AM

The only Tulip Festival that I know of is held in Orange City every year. They even scrub the streets with brooms and water before the parade.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

On a photography website that has a lot of architecture, I typed in 'Pryor, Oklahoma' and found it and a bunch of other shots, most of the countryside around town. One of an old abandoned bridge that I think I remember south of town. Found shots of the Tulip Festival when I typed in Hull. Do you know if it's held in Hull or is it maybe in Sioux Center?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Thursday, June 26, 2008 2:54 PM
Subject: Re: Emailing: Thomas Restaurant

Where in the world did you find that picture?!!! I can't remember if we saw it last fall or not. I know it burned.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

| Looky what I found. They said it burned and was re-built.

P14119

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 1:05:17 PM

No, that's part of the trust now that Dad can't handle legal matters anymore. She gave me the two original letts back too.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Will keep my eyes open for watermelon and peaches.
So is that it on the competence deal? Do you get something official to bind in with the Trust, or is that part of what she handed you yesterday?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Wednesday, July 02, 2008 9:41 AM

That was land tax not property tax that we pay to Sioux Co. twice every year. Last year it was \$2300 plus something. If you see any black diamond watermelons or tx. peaches along the way, stop and get a melon and a couple pounds of peaches for us will you?

P14120

From: Nelva Brunsting
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re:
Date: Thursday, July 10, 2008 5:41:59 PM

Yes, I found the two documents Candance asked for so for now everything is copacetek. I don't know how much we can get done with Dad here but we can try. Anita is coming in sometime after the 15th I think and I believe she's going to stay overnight so maybe we can get together then. Had an inch of rain yesterday. Hope you had the same. Found a black diamond at Krogers today (\$5.99). Sandy's produce wanted \$8.99!!! They're higher than a kite on everything. This one better be good. I'm gong to give some to Evelyn. she brings our paper over every morning. I've tried to discourage her but she says that way we know she's o.k. so I've given up.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Yes, I'm sure we need to go over things. How about next weekend? I need to read through the binder Vacek's office gave me. We got me signed in for the safety deposit box last year I believe. It would be great also if you, me and Anita could somehow have a couple of hours together.

Were you able to find the originals of what Candace was asking about?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](mailto:Nelva.Brunsting)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](mailto:Carl.H.Brunsting)
Sent: Thursday, July 10, 2008 11:05 AM

Hi: Say, I have a better handle on all this trust stuff now, except for the really technical language but that's what the lawyer is supposed to help you with. I put every thing in our safety deposit box in the bank and I think you have the right to get in there if necessary. Also we have this big blue notebook that has everything in it also. But I think you have power of attorney if and whenever I can't handle things anymore. You are also trustee with Anita. That's an awful lot of reponsibilities and I think you and I ought to get together sometime and go over some things. Of course you always have Candace, the girl we met with the other week to help you out but I think it would be a good thing to go over it. Glad you have a good weekend. We had one inch of rain yesterday. For one thing, if it is necessary for Candy to come here I want her plane ticket to come out of our bank account or estate. That is something to remember.

P14121

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Saturday, July 12, 2008 7:36:45 AM

I see that Dr. DrBakey has died. I wonder why it wasn't in the paper this morning. I saw it on the internet just now. He was 99. Also they're going to start the Kirby project Monday. I believe 128 trees are going to be removed. So sad.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: ironing bd cord
Date: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 7:13:37 AM

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cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

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Carl

P14123

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Wednesday, July 30, 2008 7:55:08 AM

 LET ME BE THE FIRST TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR 51ST BIRTHDAY!!! (i know it's tomorrow!). LOOK AT IT THIS WAY-YOU'RE NOT OVER THE HILL BUT IN THE PRIME OF LIFE!!!!!! HAVE A GREAT ONE. DAD AND MOTHER

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Sunday, August 03, 2008 2:48:00 PM

We had such a sparkling conversation last night that I forgot what we came over for-the cord holder. I asked Drina to put it out by your side door. Now what do I owe you for it. Don't say nothing-you'll need some "mad" money if you go to Frisco, you know. When is it you're going? I have a short memory these days. Hope I didn't monopolize the conversation last night. When I get a chance to have a real meaningful talk with other people I tend to run off.

There's a severe storm watch out for this area right now-5:00 p.m. Hope we get something out of it. Just keep the "thing" about Candy under your hat. Carole know because she saw the e-mail she sent me but Anita and Amy do not. I'm hoping O. will come to his senses and get back where he belongs. Don't know if he's having a midlife crisis or what. They weren't having any problems. He just said he was leaving.

P14125

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, August 04, 2008 1:16:32 PM

Picked up the iron cord holder. Put the moola thru the cat door. Hope your cats don't like the taste of money. Evelyn said she heard the roads are already busy with people leaving town. Tch! tch! We're going to hunker down here. Winds along the coast are predicted to be between 50 and 70 mph. If we don't get some rain I'm gong to be very disappointed. If our power goes and yours doesn't we might ask for shelter because without air conditioning it's going to get pretty miserable. Don't think we have any trees left to fall on the house with our luck we could get a neighbor's tree on our roof. Oh well!

P14126

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@abcglobal.net
Date: Wednesday, August 06, 2008 5:55:08 PM

We got 2 in. during the day and another quarter in. in the evening. Ken Hoffman who writes in the Chron. had a good one about the newscasters trying to outdo each other with the latest warnings, etc. What made me mad was Ch. 11 overrode Wheel of Fortune to talk about the storm. I would be good on that program. I'm good at guessing the puzzles. Ch. 11 also dredged up Neil Frank to give the "correct perspective" on it. I'll bet that made the current man who used to work for NASA feel great. Frank is supposed to be retired. Sorry to hear about Drina's dad. Where is he in the hospital. Do you'al plan to go there to see him? Amy didn't get any rain. We're going up there Friday just to get out of town and see some other scenery.good

P14127

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: New Braunfels
Date: Monday, August 11, 2008 6:39:45 AM

Wow! I've never had to handle loans before, Dad always took care of that. We have some \$45,000 in savings bonds that might cover the down payment. I don't know. I would need someone else with me if we decide to go ahead. I don't think it matters much as far as Dad is concerned. He usually is rather confused about this house anyway. I suppose we could settle on a house there and then stay here until this house is sold. I'd rather wait til cooler weather before moving. I guess the first thing is to go back and look at the two houses. I didn't have as expensive one as the 299 in mind but we'll see. I guess I'd better get in touch with Amy and see if we can look at the houses.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

That's exciting about moving to New Braunfels. If you're serious about one of the two houses you had the flyers on, you should check into getting approved for a loan pretty soon. Maybe your bank would be a place to start, or asking the Morgan Stanley guys who they'd recommend. You shouldn't have any trouble getting approved - I would think the amount you pay down would be your decision, as little as possible might make sense, getting a loan for the whole amount of the house, or as close to it as they can do these days. Then we could go through Pinerock and put it up for sale and you could pay off the new loan when it sold. I wouldn't hesitate going for the \$299,000 house - it looks nicer, the other one has small windows and not so great rooms judging from the pictures. If they are asking \$299 you might be able to get it for much less, starting with an offer of \$250,000 or something, depending somewhat on what a realtor might advise - although I've found they don't always have your best interests in mind - they just want the sale to get done. Anyway, even if you paid \$300 for it, the sale of Pinerock would cover that, it'd just be like swapping houses.

From: Nelva Brunsting
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: houses
Date: Thursday, August 14, 2008 12:52:42 PM

Don't apologize for not coming over. You do the best you can. Have a fun weekend and use plenty of sun guard.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Well I'm sorry you're dropping the New Braunfels house idea. Sounds like a great house and a good value.

Sorry I'm not over more. We are going to Austin this weekend with Marta and Ryan.

Glad to hear Owen is going to burning man with Candy and Kevan - at least he hasn't cut all ties. I hope they work it out.

----- Original Message -----

From: Nelva Brunsting
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2008 8:43 AM
Subject: Re: houses

The more expensive one was a dream house which makes ours look like a dump! The owner was a builder but had someone else do the house. Decorated to perfection! Has a huge hip-roofed building in the back yard where he did his woodworking, a boat in the garage. The floor in the wood shop was so clean you could eat off it, but it's really more space that we need so I think we'll forget that one. The other one was o.k but the kitchen was rather small and dark. Carol called last night all upset because she thought we were going to buy right across from Amy and she was a bit unpredictable, shall I say/ So I guess we'll blow that off and stay right here for now. Apparently the house across the street from Carol could be for sale if anyone was interested. Incidentally, that first house would easily bring 5 or 600 thousand in Houston. Now, You figure out Candy's situation. Owen is still living on his own but he, Candy and Kevan are going to Burning Man for a week. Go figure. This world is getting too crazy for me. Well, I've got to get to work. Oh, by-the-way, if Carol e-mails you and says I complained you were too busy to come over . I apologize. You've helped us in so many ways. I guess what I meant was that you don't have to come over for hours and work but sometimes it would be nice just to have someone come over on a Sunday afternoon and have a cup of coffee just to break up the day which gets very boring sometimes. Drina is more than welcome to come with you. So much for that. Carol is just not much of a conversationalist, although I do appreciate her coming over so much and helping out. I know she thinks we don't appreciate it but we do. I wish she wasn't too thin skinned. Reminds me very much of Aunt Margaret.

cbarch@sbcglobal.net wrote:

| Amy called after you left New Braunfels and said you'd looked at the houses you
| had flyers for - what did you think?

From: [Nelva Brunsting](mailto:Nelva.Brunsting)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: captain's chair
Date: Thursday, August 28, 2008 7:14:40 AM

think I'll hand on to the chair anyway. It might come in handy some day, if not at their house, maybe yours. The spots are all disappearing and I don't itch anymore. Now if my stomach would just settle down. Well, I guess we'll get to vote for Obama in Nov. Like his choice for vp. Hope you have a good trip and Gustav doesn't come this way.

--- On **Wed, 8/27/08**, cbarch@sbcglobal.net <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: cbarch@sbcglobal.net <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: captain's chair
To: "mom" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Wednesday, August 27, 2008, 8:51 AM

Marta said that just don't have room for the captain's chair, but thanks.

Drina & I leave for California Friday morning. I hope Gustav doesn't decide to come this way, sounds like it might, but it could do a 180 and head for South America for all the weathermen know.

How is your allergic reaction doing?

Carl

From: [Nelva Brunsting](mailto:elmernelva@sbcbglobal.net)
To: cbarch@sbcbglobal.net
Subject: Re: we're back
Date: Friday, September 05, 2008 7:06:45 AM

Glad you had a good trip! Wish you could have brought back some of that chilly air but that to will come sometime. The mornings are more comfortable I noticed. We went up to Telegraph Hill one of the times we were there. I think Owen took us up there.

--- On **Thu, 9/4/08**, cbarch@sbcbglobal.net <cbarch@sbcbglobal.net> wrote:

From: cbarch@sbcbglobal.net <cbarch@sbcbglobal.net>
Subject: we're back
To: "mom" <elmernelva@sbcbglobal.net>
Date: Thursday, September 4, 2008, 1:36 PM

We got back last night, and made reservations for a return flight today (not really). Beautiful the whole time - it was chilly enough in Carmel the first night for us to have a fire. Monday we hiked around Point Lobos State Park which sticks out into the Pacific just south of Carmel and Tuesday we rode horses through the forest and golf courses - Spyglass Hill and Cypress Point - to the beach and back. Not as many sea otters as 12 or 13 years ago when we went with Marta, but even more ultra rich people buying up houses with a view. I wish I could see California in the 50's or earlier - of course I feel that way about most places.

I'll attached a few of trip photos. One is from Telegraph Hill in San Francisco with the Golden Gate Bridge in the fog in the background, one is from the ferry approaching Sausalito with the fog rolling over above, and one is the kind of shot a monkey could take at Point Lobos - it's so full of incredible views.

Carl

From: Nelva Brunzing
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: Emailing: Moss family gathers to celebrate Century Farm
Date: Friday, October 24, 2008 7:55:56 AM

Sorry to be s stupid but how do I get to the list. That Rensink farm might be one around Boyden. Some of them had big farms or it could be Grampa Rensink's original farm.

--- On **Thu, 10/23/08**, cbarch@sbcglobal.net <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: cbarch@sbcglobal.net <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re: Emailing: Moss family gathers to celebrate Century Farm
To: elmernelva@sbcglobal.net
Date: Thursday, October 23, 2008, 7:51 PM

On a website about Iowa farms. Also saw a listing of all property sold in Sioux Co in the last three years - one farm was sold by the Rensink Family Trust, for \$935,000. I'll attach the list - you'll like seeing all the Dutch names.
I think the land values are going to plunge soon and not recover for decades.

----- Original Message -----

From: Nelva Brunzing
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2008 7:34 PM
Subject: Re: Emailing: Moss family gathers to celebrate Century Farm

Where in the world did you find this stuff???!!!!

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Subject: Emailing: Moss family gathers to celebrate Century Farm
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Date: Thursday, October 23, 2008, 3:13 PM

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Moss family gathers to celebrate Century Farm

By Jeanne Visser
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October 23, 2008

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HULL, Iowa (STPNS) -- Over 50 Moss relatives gathered at the family farm, one mile west of Hull, to celebrate after the farmstead was

recognized as a Century Farm at the Iowa State Fair in August.

"Some family members were in Des Moines for the ceremony at the Fair, but we thought it would be great to have a big family reunion at the farm over Labor Day Weekend," said Arlan Moss, who lives on the Century Farm.

Iowa Secretary of Agriculture Bill Northey recognized Century Farm families at the Fair. To qualify, a family must have owned their farmstead for 100 years or more. The Iowa Dept. of Agriculture and Land Stewardship has partnered with the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation since 1976 to recognize families that have owned and worked a farm for 100 years or more.

This year 344 farms were recognized, making more than 16,200 farms from across the state that have received this recognition.

The award meant a lot to Arlan and his wife, Ruth, and was especially meaningful to his mother, Harriet.

In 1908 Cornelius and Tryntje Moss purchased their first farm, 240 acres, from the Brunsting family. Previously, the couple had rented a farm one mile south of the Moss farm.

Later, their son Jacob and his wife, Lena, took over the farm and their son, Art, along with his wife, Harriet, followed.

In 1976, Art and Harriet moved to town after Arlan and Ruth were married.

The farm has expanded as more land and buildings were added. Technology has changed farming methods.

All the Moss families milked cows until 2000, when the cows were sold.

Today Arlan and Ruth, along with their son, Craig, grow corn and soybeans, finish hogs and raise cattle, including Holstein bull calves and beef cattle. Years ago they raised hogs, farrow-to-finish, and now are part owners of a farrow-to-finish business, Long View Farms, in Wagner, SD.

During the Labor Day Moss family reunion all the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Art and Harriet returned to the farm.

"It was a very special time and a good reason to have all the family get together," said Arlan with a smile. "They'd all spent time on the farm and had fond memories. That might have included getting in trouble or something as like riding the 4-wheeler."

Arlan, Ruth and their daughter JoElyn put together a farm scavenger hunt, which they described as a 'memory walk through the farm'. The scavenger hunt included questions like 'where did we go to gather eggs' and 'where was the old outhouse'?

"Some of the grandkids didn't know what we were talking about," said Arlan. "But it gave all us of the opportunity to tell some good stories."

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To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Cc: [Anita K Brunsting](#); [Carole A Brunsting](#); [Amy Tschirhart](#)
Date: Monday, October 27, 2008 9:54:38 AM

This morning about 7:20 I heard Daddy yell help! and I went in the bedroom and there he was sitting on the edge of the bed. I got the wheelchair positioned so he could slide into it and he **did** so I took him to the breakfast table. That was a first!!

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Cc: [Anita K Brunsting](#); [Candy Curtis](#); [Amy Tschirhart](#)
Date: Saturday, November 29, 2008 10:07:34 AM

Check your computer and read about the spectacular scene Monday night. If the sky is clear they will be very bright. scene in the evening sky, Monday, as Venus and Jupiter appear very close to the crescent moon. You will be able to see the shadow of the rest of the moon also. If the sky is clear it will be very bright. Jupiter is the furthest away but is the brighter of the two stars.

From: Nelva Brunsting
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: Katy Prairie Conservancy
Date: Friday, January 09, 2009 11:41:40 AM

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Subject: Katy Prairie Conservancy
To: "mom" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Thursday, January 8, 2009, 4:32 PM

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Carl

----- Original Message -----

From: [Katy Prairie Conservancy](mailto:KatyPrairieConservancy)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Thursday, January 08, 2009 11:55 AM
Subject: Last Chance for KPC's Prairie Discovery Tour on January 10, 4 PM - 6 PM



Happy New Year from the Katy Prairie Conservancy!

We still have plenty of room on our Prairie Discovery Tour on January 10, 2009 from 4 PM - 6 PM. Registration is required, so if you're interested in attending, please contact us at 713.523.6135 or info@katyprairie.org. Participants will meet at [Warren Ranch - Headquarters](#). Click the link for directions.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](mailto:Nelva.Brunsting)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: Katy Prairie Conservancy
Date: Friday, January 09, 2009 7:47:23 PM

If you think it was an eagle it probably was. Turkey vultures mostly just glide around and their wings are split at the end, Look like seperate fingers. Besides their head is scrawny.

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Date: Friday, January 9, 2009, 2:08 PM

An eagle swooped over our car on the way to San Antonio after Christmas. We were taking Hwy 90 somewhere passed Columbus. It was huge. Coulda been a turkey vulture, but I'd rather think it was an eagle, and it was big.
We had some house finches in our yard a few days ago. Still lots of butterflies too. I'm going to plant seed our wildflowers this weekend.

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To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: Katy Prairie Conservancy
Date: Saturday, January 10, 2009 3:35:21 PM

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](mailto:Nelva_Brunsting)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: Katy Prairie Conservancy
Date: Monday, January 12, 2009 3:45:56 PM

That's the whole idea-to keep the developers from grabbing the land.

--- On **Mon, 1/12/09**, cbarch@sbcglobal.net <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: cbarch@sbcglobal.net <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re: Katy Prairie Conservancy
To: elmernelva@sbcglobal.net
Date: Monday, January 12, 2009, 9:01 AM

That's neat. I've heard about ranchers working with the conservation groups, deeding there land but still working it and maybe doing a few things differently to help wildlife. Even though the farmers and ranches do things that can hurt wildlife, I think the conservation groups are seeing that it's better to keep the land as a farm or ranch and improve practices, than to let it get turned into a suburban development.

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From: Nelva Brunsting
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Re: Fw: Mass Migration of Stingrays
Date: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 8:16:25 PM

WOW!!!!!!!!!!

--- On Tue, 1/27/09, cbarch@sbcglobal.net <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: cbarch@sbcglobal.net <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Fw: Mass Migration of Stingrays
To: "mom" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Tuesday, January 27, 2009, 3:55 PM

Thought you might like this. - Scroll way down.

----- Original Message -----

From: Drina Brunsting
To: Maria ; Carl ; Ryan
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 2:05 PM
Subject: Fw: Mass Migration of Stingrays

This is amazing!!!

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Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 11:04:10 AM
Subject: FW: Mass Migration of Stingrays

--- On Tue, 1/27/09, Hardy, Diana <dhardy@bcm.tmc.edu> wrote:

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To:
Date: Tuesday, January 27, 2009, 9:39 AM

From: rmalley2@tampabay.rr.com
To: tonileblanc@hotmail.com; ufa72@aol.com; aldomalley@hotmail.com
Subject: Fw: Mass Migration of Stingrays
Date: Fri, 23 Jan 2009 10:43:39 -0500

----- Original Message -----

From: Benjamin Malley
To: Taryn Runge ; htaylor720@yahoo.com ; Joe Metcalf ; jkilla77@hotmail.com ; jmaxim@milesconst.com ; Aydelin Welch ; nopl8@yahoo.com ; rmalley2@tampabay.rr.com ; mary zimmerman ; Dennis Cobon
Sent: Thursday, January 22, 2009 12:27 PM
Subject: FW: Mass Migration of Stingrays

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From: Thomas Nason
Sent: Thursday, January 22, 2009 7:31 AM
To: Mark Bray; Benjamin Malley; 'vinnydion@comcast.net'; 'Jon Smith at Great Falls'; Joe Metcalf
Subject: FW: Mass Migration of Stingrays

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From: Ana Maria Fernandez [mailto:alexiana@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 22, 2009 7:29 AM
To: Alexi; Thomas Nason
Subject: Fw: Mass Migration of Stingrays

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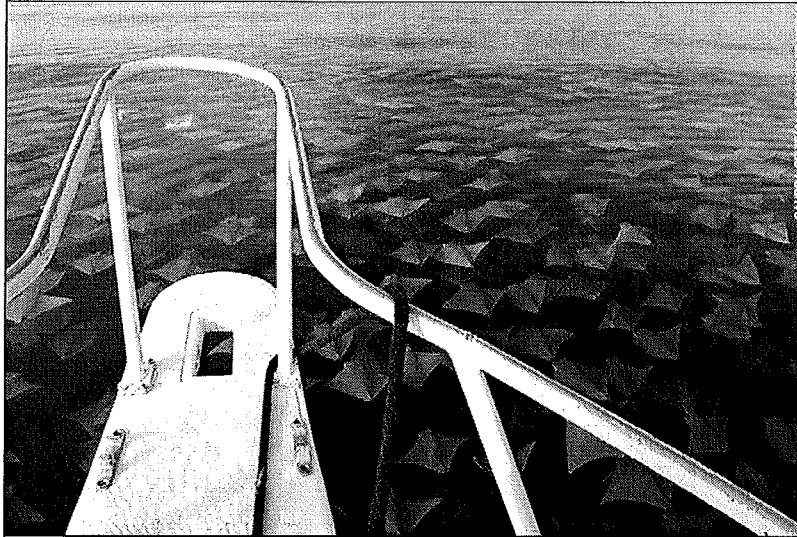
From: Henry Huang <spanky1273@msn.com>
To: Ana Maria Fernandez <alexiana@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 1:40:41 PM
Subject: FW: Mass Migration of Stingrays

Looking like giant leaves floating in the sea, thousands of Golden Rays are seen here gathering off the coast of Mexico . The spectacular scene was captured as the magnificent creatures made one of their biannual mass migrations to more agreeable waters.

Gliding silently beneath the waves, they turned vast areas of blue water to gold off the northern tip of the Yucatan Peninsula . Sandra Critelli, an amateur photographer, stumbled across the phenomenon while looking for whale sharks.

She said: 'It was an unreal image, very difficult to describe. The surface of the water was covered by warm and different shades of gold and looked like a bed of autumn leaves gently moved by the wind.'

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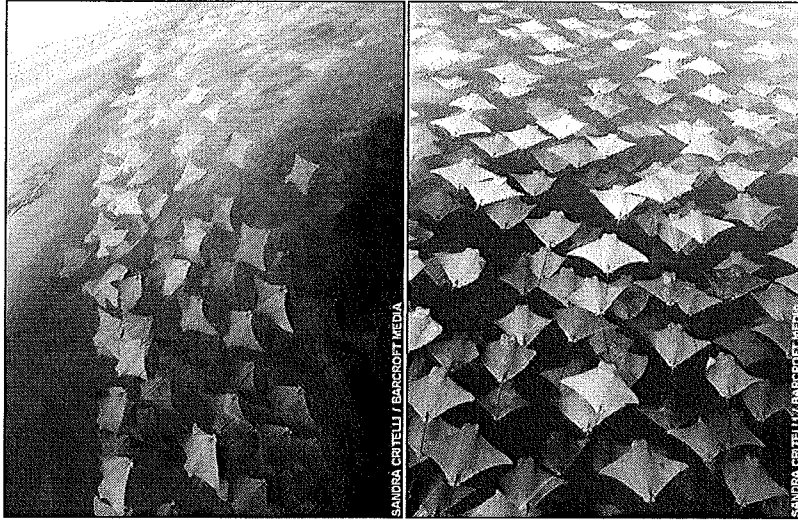


'It's hard to say exactly how many there were, but in the range of a few thousand'



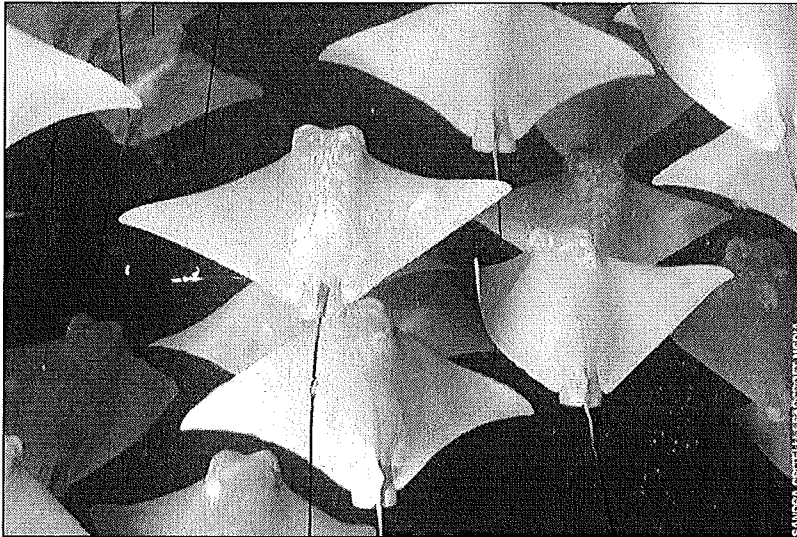
'We were surrounded by them without seeing the edge of the school and we could see many under the water surface too. I feel very fortunate I was there in the right place at the right time to experience nature at its best'

Measuring up to 7ft (2.1 meters) from wing-tip to wing-tip, Golden rays are also more prosaically known as cow nose rays.



They have long, pointed pectoral fins that separate into two lobes in front of their high-domed heads and give them a cow-like appearance. Despite having poisonous stingers, they are known to be shy and non-threatening when in large schools.

The population in the Gulf of Mexico migrates, in schools of as many as 10,000, clockwise from western Florida to the Yucatan .



Don't forget to share this with others! Let your friends enjoy the beauty of nature, too!

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: cbarch@sbcglobal.net
Cc: [Marta Paige Huntsman](#)
Subject: Re: pond bird
Date: Tuesday, June 02, 2009 9:14:13 AM

I can't be absolutely sure but I detect a rusty breast on that bird which makes me think it might have been a green heron. They're pretty abundant and looks more blue than green, has bright orange or yellow legs . They love frogs!

--- On **Tue, 6/2/09**, cbarch@sbcglobal.net <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: cbarch@sbcglobal.net <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re: pond bird
To: "Marta Brunsting" <sweetpaige2083@yahoo.com>, "Drina Brunsting" <drinabrunsting@sbcglobal.net>, "Nelva Brunsting" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>, "Ryan Huntsman" <ryanhuntsman@douglaspads.com>
Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2009, 9:04 AM

Maybe it's a young Gertrude or Heathcliff - see attached of yellow crown night heron.
Mother - what do you think?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Marta Brunsting](#)
To: [Drina Brunsting](#) ; [Nelva Brunsting](#) ; [carl brunsting](#) ; [Ryan Huntsman](#)
Sent: Tuesday, June 02, 2009 8:45 AM
Subject: pond bird

a big water bird decided to have a frog for breakfast in our pond this morning! (see photo attached)

i don't know what kind of bird he is...

marta

From: Nelva Brunsting
To: Carl Brunsting
Subject: Re: Fw: Icebergs!
Date: Thursday, June 18, 2009 7:18:41 PM

AWESOME, UNBELEVIABLE, NEVER HAVE I SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

--- On Thu, 6/18/09, Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Fw: Icebergs!
To: "mom" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Thursday, June 18, 2009, 1:49 PM

I think these shots made the rounds a while back, but thought you might like them.
Carl

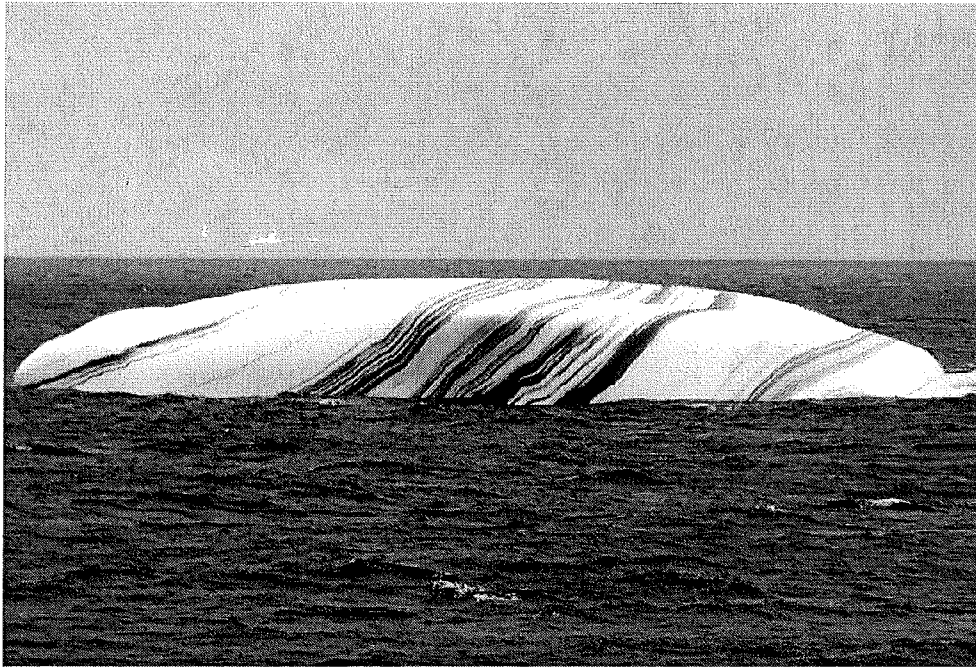
Amazing striped icebergs

Icebergs in the Antarctic area sometimes have stripes, formed by layers of snow that react to different conditions .

Blue stripes are often created when a crevice in the ice sheet fills up with meltwater and freezes so quickly that no bubbles form .

When an iceberg falls into the sea, a layer of salty seawater can freeze to the underside . If this is rich in algae, it can form a green stripe .

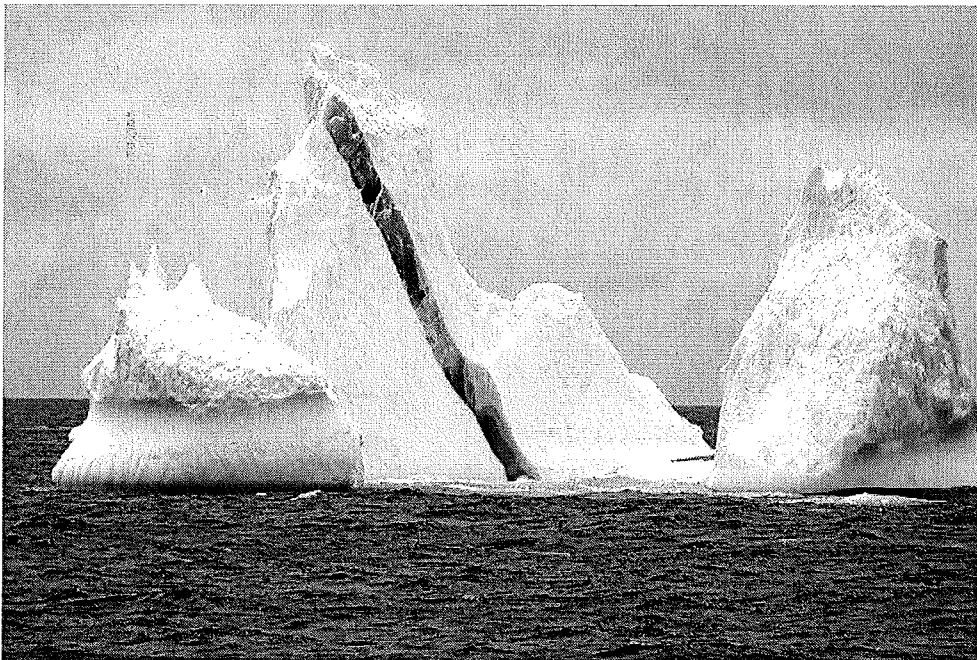
Brown, black and yellow lines are caused by sediment, picked up when the ice sheet grinds downhill towards the sea ..



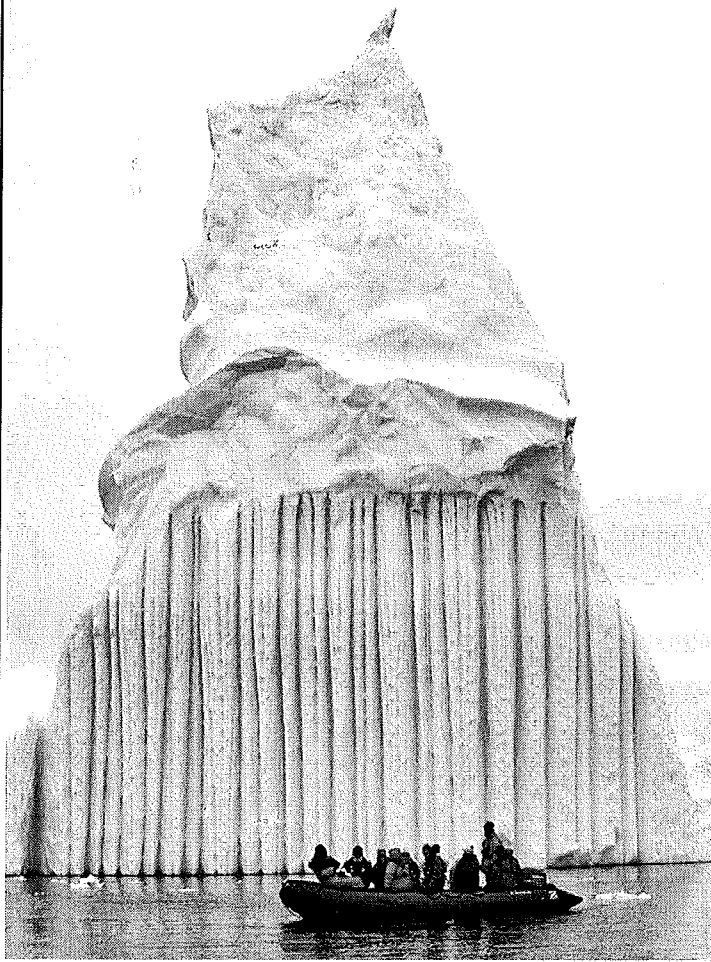
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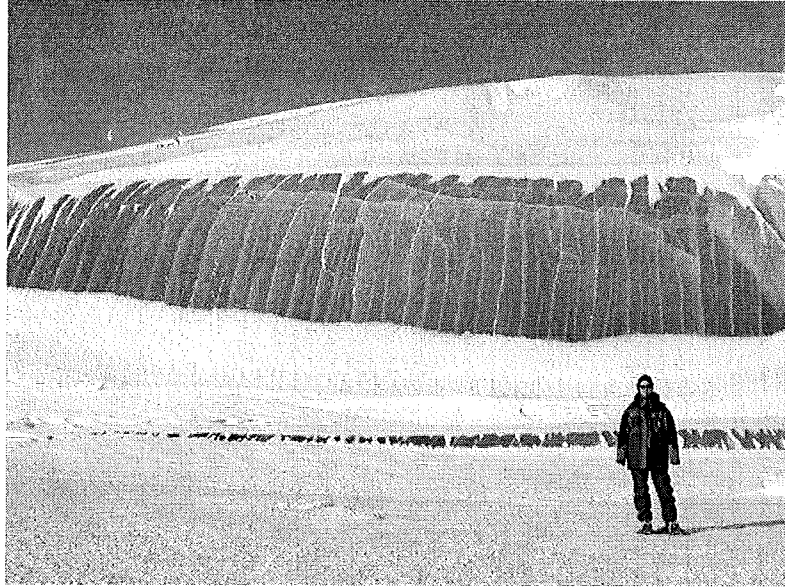
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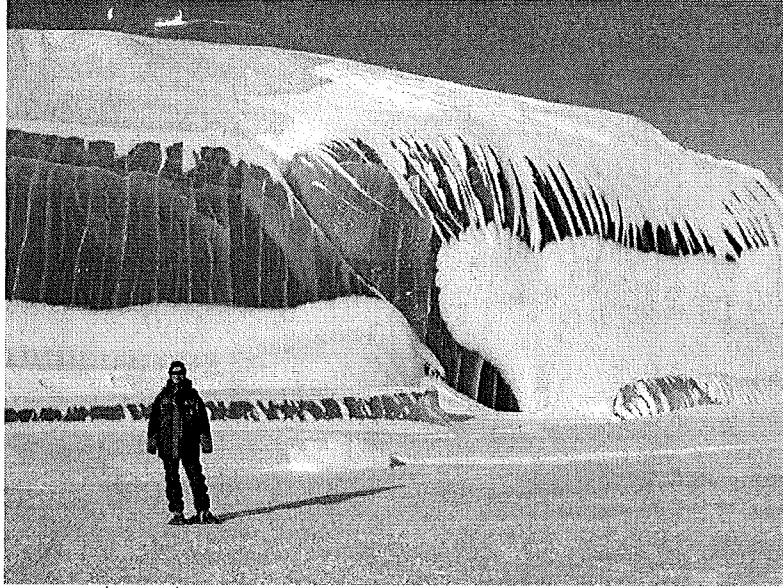


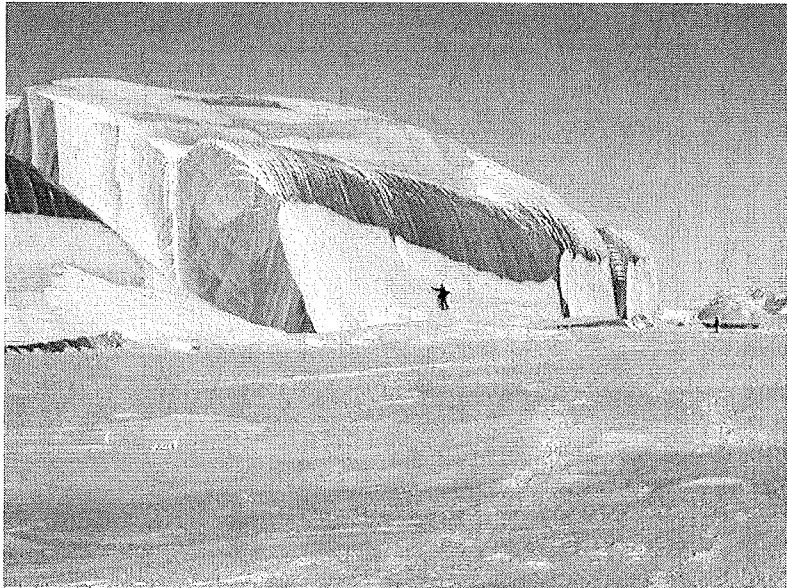
Antarctica Frozen Wave Pixs - Nature is amazing!

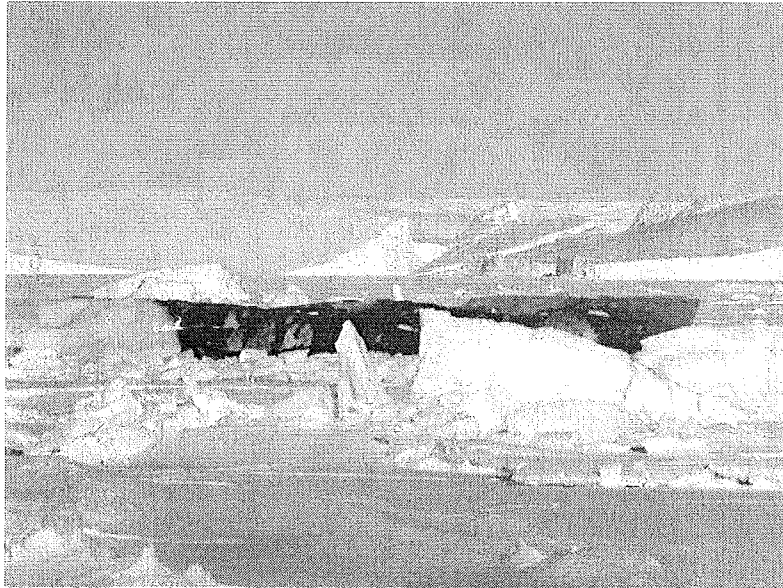
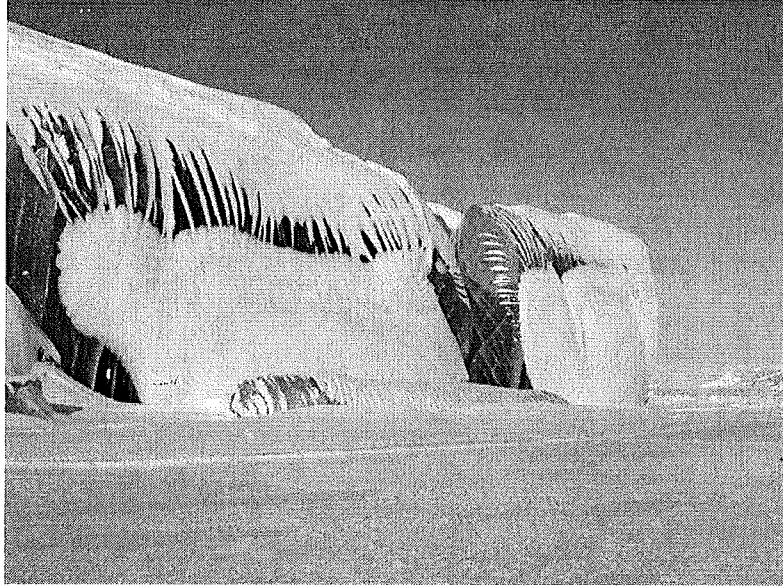
The water froze the instant the wave broke through the ice .. That's what it is like in Anmtarctica where it is the coldest weather in decades . Water freezes the instant it comes in contact with the air . The temperature of the water is already some degrees below freezing .

Just look at how the wave froze in mid-air!!!









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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Friday, July 03, 2009 1:43:25 PM

I was wrong-it's Blue Gnus, like in What's gnu with you? Not much, what's gnu with you? Tha-tha-tha-that's all folks.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl Brunsting](#)
Subject: Re: : PUT EARTH AND MARS ON YOUR CALENDAR FOR AUGUST>>SEE WHY!!!!
Date: Tuesday, July 07, 2009 1:58:44 PM

Got an e-mail from Jane who says it's a hoax. Said she saw the same thing in 2002 or 3. Guess we'll see.

--- On **Tue, 7/7/09, Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>** wrote:

From: Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re: : PUT EARTH AND MARS ON YOUR CALENDAR FOR AUGUST>>SEE WHY!!!!
To: "Nelva Brunsting" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Tuesday, July 7, 2009, 8:38 AM

Pretty amazing huh?
Carl

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Anita K Brunsting](#) ; [Carl H Brunsting](#) ; [Candy Curtis](#) ; [Jane Hall](#) ; [Marta Paige Huntsman](#) ; [Amy Tschirhart](#)
Sent: Monday, July 06, 2009 7:22 PM
Subject: Fw: : PUT EARTH AND MARS ON YOUR CALENDAR FOR AUGUST>>SEE WHY!!!!

--- On **Mon, 7/6/09, Rob & Nedra Harris <grapenuts@junct.com>** wrote:

From: Rob & Nedra Harris <grapenuts@junct.com>
Subject: : PUT EARTH AND MARS ON YOUR CALENDAR FOR AUGUST>>SEE WHY!!!!
To: "Undisclosedrecipients" <grapenuts@junct.com>
Date: Monday, July 6, 2009, 6:56 PM

Subject: PUT EARTH AND MARS ON YOUR CALENDAR FOR AUGUST>>SEE WHY!!!!

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Subj: Beautiful changing colors

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl Brunsting](#)
Subject: Re: Beautiful Changing Colors
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2009 8:10:04 AM

Do you remember the Dillows.? They had three boys. Kind of rough and tumble. Their dad was always hollering at them. Bill's obituary was in the paper this morning. He used to work at Gulf also. He had Alzheimers Was 81. They moved to Park Place a couple of years ago and we visited them once. Bill never said a word. I'm going to visitation this evening and may go to the funeral tomorrow.

--- On **Tue, 7/14/09**, **Carl Brunsting** <cbarch@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re: Beautiful Changing Colors
To: "Nelva Brunsting" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2009, 7:52 AM

That was pretty.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Anita K Brunsting](#)
Cc: [Carl H Brunsting](#) ; [Carole A Brunsting](#) ; [Drina Brunsting](#) ; [Candy Curtis](#) ; [Amy Tschirhart](#)
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 8:28 PM
Subject: Fw: Beautiful Changing Colors

--- On **Mon, 7/13/09**, **Jane** <pajamahall@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: Jane <pajamahall@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Fw: Beautiful Changing Colors
To: "laverne" <wfboswell@sbcglobal.net>, "De" <dadams4031@aol.com>, "agnes" <aces4uintl@aol.com>, "barbara" <babsbennett@aol.com>, "barbara mclaughlin" <barbaramclaughlin@sbcglobal.net>, "wanda belcher" <wandabelcher@sbcglobal.net>, "Diana Dusek" <dd@twlt.net>, "nelva" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Monday, July 13, 2009, 10:52 AM

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Joan Bradbury <JEFRADBURY1@comcast.net>
To: Undisclosed-Recipient@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 12, 2009 10:11:33 PM
Subject: Beautiful Changing Colors

<http://WWW.greatdanepromilitary.Com/Colors/index.htm>

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl Brunsting](#)
Subject: Re: Beautiful Changing Colors
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2009 6:45:09 PM

Went to Bill Dillow's funeral this afternoon. Don't like funerals. I guess the Dillow boys must be in the 50's just like you and David might even be sixty. You can tell he had a stroke or something. His speech has been effected somewhat. The service was in the new sanctuary of Tallowood. It's gorgeous!! I don't know what theyre going to use the old one for. It's quite a conglomeration of buildings. only Mark has a daughter which means Carla has just one granddaughter. I think Mark was divorced some years ago. He lives in Dallas. The other two live in the Houston area. Nicolas put down some new sod in front of the house but I'll be surprised if it lasts. I watered it well this evening but that gets old quick. See ya'.

--- On **Wed, 7/15/09, Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>** wrote:

From: Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re: Beautiful Changing Colors
To: "Nelva Brunsting" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2009, 10:55 AM

Sure I remember the Dillows. David, Mark and Roger. I think you told me David had a heart attack a year or two ago.

What did your pulmonary Doctor have to say?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl Brunsting](#)
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2009 10:10 AM
Subject: Re: Beautiful Changing Colors

Do you remember the Dillows.? They had three boys. Kind of rough and tumble. Their dad was always hollering at them. Bill's obituary was in the paper this morning. He used to work at Gulf also. He had Alzheimers Was 81. They moved to Park Place a couple of years ago and we visited them once. Bill never said a word. I'm going to visitation this evening and may go to the funeral tomorrow.

--- On **Tue, 7/14/09, Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>** wrote:

From: Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re: Beautiful Changing Colors
To: "Nelva Brunsting" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2009, 7:52 AM

That was pretty.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Anita K Brunsting](#)

Cc: Carl H Brunsting ; Carole A Brunsting ; Drina Brunsting ; Candy Curtis ; Amy Tschirhart
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 8:28 PM
Subject: Fw: Beautiful Changing Colors

--- On **Mon, 7/13/09**, Jane <pajamahall@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: Jane <pajamahall@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Fw: Beautiful Changing Colors
To: "laverne" <wfboswell@sbcglobal.net>, "De" <dadams4031@aol.com>, "agnes" <aces4uintl@aol.com>, "barbara" <babsbennett@aol.com>, "barbara mclaughlin" <barbaramclaughlin@sbcglobal.net>, "wanda belcher" <wandabelcher@sbcglobal.net>, "Diana Dusek" <dd@twlt.net>, "nelva" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Monday, July 13, 2009, 10:52 AM

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From: Joan Bradbury <JEBRADBURY1@comcast.net>
To: Undisclosed-Recipient@yahoo.com
Sent: Sunday, July 12, 2009 10:11:33 PM
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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl Brunsting](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2009 11:40:50 AM

Do you like pulmonary rehabilitation better. I'm going twice a week. \$bucks a pop.

--- On **Thu, 7/16/09, Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>** wrote:

From: Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re:
To: "Nelva Brunsting" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Thursday, July 16, 2009, 12:14 PM

Glad to hear it. 'Rehab' - sounds like you're getting off the sauce.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Thursday, July 16, 2009 10:14 AM

I forgot to tell you I'm going back to rehab today. I can go once a week for \$5.00.

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Friday, July 17, 2009 2:08:28 PM

TIGER MISSED THE CUT IN THE BRITISH OPEN!!!!!! WE'LL NEVER HEAR THE END OF THAT. but Tom Watson, I think he's 59, was leading.

P14163

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl Brunsting](#)
Subject: Re: Marta
Date: Friday, August 21, 2009 8:10:08 PM

O.K. - Had a great rain and wind storm this evening. About 1 1/2 in. The sky really looked threatening tho, but it was so nice and cool outside I hated to go inside again.

--- On **Fri, 8/21/09, Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>** wrote:

From: Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re: Marta
To: "Nelva Brunsting" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Friday, August 21, 2009, 1:59 PM

Let me know when the contractor can come to the house and I'll plan on being there.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl Brunsting](#)
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2009 10:30 AM
Subject: Re: Marta

How come your neighborhood gets all the birds, altho' we did have a hawk on our back fence sometime ago. At first I thought you were going to say all the finches were dead. Had a nice rain of about 15 min. yesterday, but it was steaming hot after that. I'll give Marta a call when it cools off a bit which should be one of these days. I'm going to have the man Carole is so good (apparently he's a contractor who works for her boss) to come out and give me an estimate on the siding. Maybe you could come out at that time too. Apparently he works for her boss. Says he's very honest. She's going to Navasota this weekend to get some hay from him for her horses.

--- On **Fri, 8/21/09, Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>** wrote:

From: Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Marta
To: "mom" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Friday, August 21, 2009, 10:09 AM

Told Marta you were thinking of visiting her soon - she said she'd love for you to come over any time.

She seems to be getting past the morning sickness. Said she had a hawk on her finch cage this morning and the finches were dead silent.

Carl

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H. Brunsting](#)
Date: Sunday, August 30, 2009 4:32:34 PM

I forgot to include the middle page of that article on rebuilding teeth. I'll just send it to your house. I thought it was rather interesting. I wish I could still get Dad's Chem. Engr. mag mag. It always had something for the lay person too.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl Brunsting](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Monday, August 31, 2009 8:59:28 AM

I don't know. I'll see if I can. I mailed the missing page on the repair of teeth to you and Drina this morning. I thought it was very interesting, I got my problem with the Iowa income tax straightened out this morning. I guess I missed Jan.08 payment. She said if I would postmark the check with today's date I wouldn;t have to pay the extra penalty. That's one thing taken care of.

--- On **Mon, 8/31/09, Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>** wrote:

From: Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re:
To: "Nelva Brunsting" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Monday, August 31, 2009, 8:35 AM

Can't you still subscribe?

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Sunday, August 30, 2009 6:32 PM

I forgot to include the middle page of that article on rebuilding teeth. I'll just send it to your house. I thought it was rather interesting. I wish I could still get Dad's Chem. Engr. mag mag. It always had something for the lay person too.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, September 14, 2009 7:45:44 PM

I'm sure you don't remember Picher, Okla but I sure do. It was the first little town we passed thru when Mother and Dad brought Candy and me down to Okla. back in 1954. Mother got very quiet while we were going thru, thinking "is this what her son-in-law brought his family to"? Picher at that time was a lead mining town and there were mounds of lead slag, huge ones, all over. Very drab looking place. Her spirits were raised very much when she saw Pryor. A tornado some years before had gone right down mmain street and every thing was new and clean. Anyway, I just read on the internet that the gov't is buying out the folks who still live there and are closing down the place. The mine closed in the 70s. However, Treece, Ks. which is actually across the road from Picher has the same problem but the EPA says they can clean the soil by just scraping off the top part of the ground. Says it will cost some \$3 mil plus. The people there are very upset because they really have the same problem as Picher. Unfortunately all these people are so poor that they can't just up and walk to some other place. Bless our dear stupid "gummit".

P14167

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Anita K Brunsting](#); [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Thursday, September 17, 2009 2:32:39 PM

Hi: I'm going to New Braunfels tomorrow if the weather behaves itself. Will come back some time in the afternoon.

P14168

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, September 28, 2009 1:24:08 PM

Did you get Anita's photos? Weren't they terrific? I told her she ought to enter a photo contest.

P14169

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl Brunsting](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Monday, October 05, 2009 5:15:23 PM

.The name of the village is Giethoorn. I'm not sure how to forward them so I'll just save them till you come. Anita and Carole will probably enjoy seeing them too.

--- On **Mon, 10/5/09, Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>** wrote:

From: Carl Brunsting <cbarch@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re:
To: "Nelva Brunsting" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Monday, October 5, 2009, 12:09 PM

I'd love to see them. Guess they're printed photos, not something they sent by e-mail. Nice of them to send them.

----- Original Message -----

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Sent: Monday, October 05, 2009 11:43 AM

You should see the GORGEOUS pictures John Moederzoon sent me of a village in Holland that has no streets! They get around by rowboats. Made me want to move there. John is the husband of Marge Moderzoon who used to handle our stocks, etc. They're both from the Netherlands-now live on Lake Travis. I'll save the pics.

P14170

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Subject: Fw: A Village in Holland
Date: Wednesday, October 07, 2009 7:27:02 AM

--- On Sun, 10/4/09, john moederzoon <JMOEDERZOOM@austin.rr.com> wrote:

From: john moederzoon <JMOEDERZOOM@austin.rr.com>
Subject: Fw: A Village in Holland
To: elmernelva@sbcglobal.net
Date: Sunday, October 4, 2009, 1:23 PM

----- Original Message -----

From: [KENNETH FAGAN](#)
To: [JOHN & MARGE MOEDERZOOM](#)
Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2009 12:19 PM
Subject: Fw: A Village in Holland

--- On Wed, 9/30/09, Jim Murray <murraykids@abbmissouri.com> wrote:

From: Jim Murray <murraykids@abbmissouri.com>
Subject: Fw: A Village in Holland
To: Undisclosed-Recipient@yahoo.com
Date: Wednesday, September 30, 2009, 7:58 AM

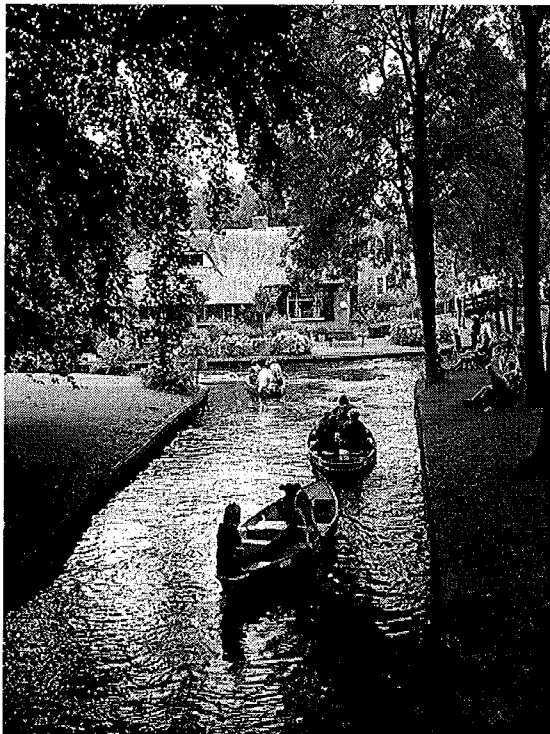
A Village in Holland

Another place to add to my bucket list...

This looks like a beautiful place.

**A Village in Holland ... With
no roads AT ALL!**

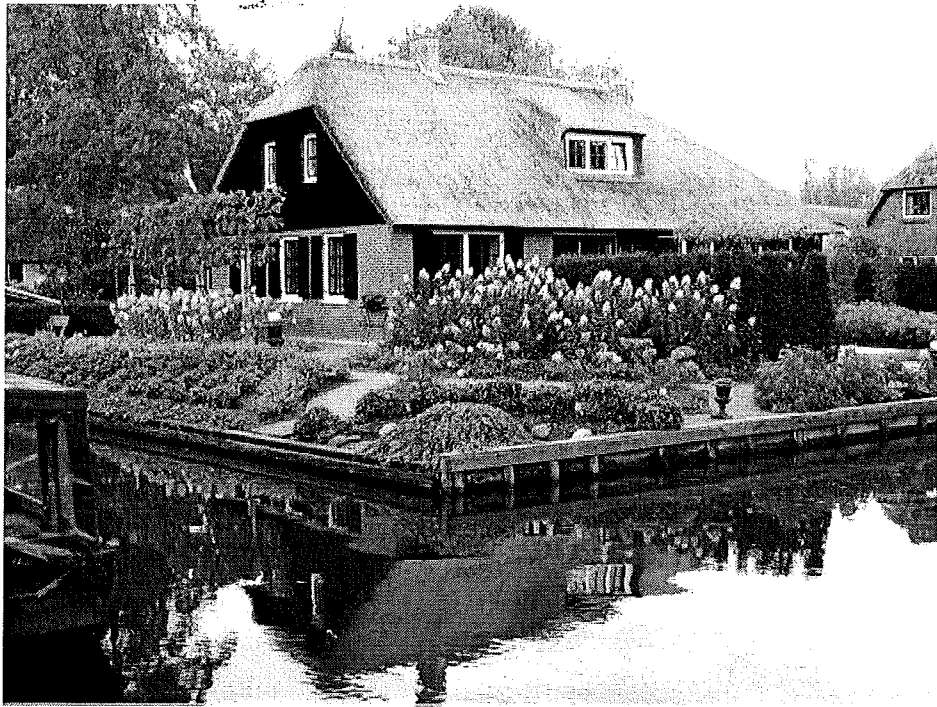
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A Village in Holland wherein you can't find a single road...

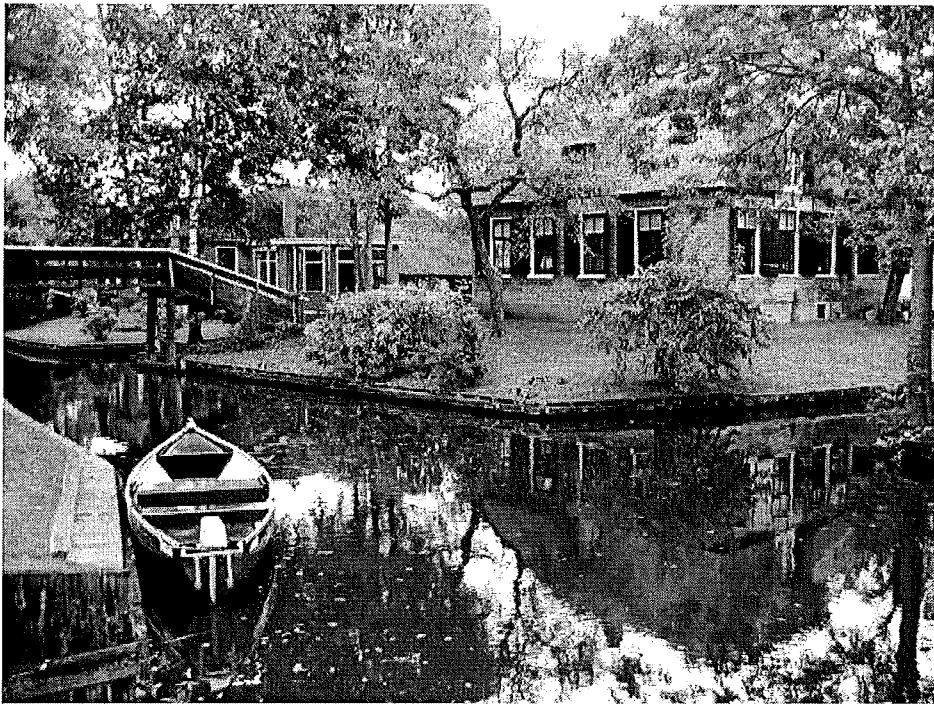
All transportation is done by boats along the river.

But it's not a problem as it is so beautiful!













Hard to believe such tranquility!!

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To: [Carl Brunsting](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Monday, March 22, 2010 6:55:45 PM

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To: "Nelva Brunsting" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Monday, March 22, 2010, 1:46 PM

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Sent: Monday, March 22, 2010 11:47 AM

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Date: Monday, March 22, 2010 6:59:38 PM

My first message got wiped out. Thanks-I'm feeling some better. The little crackers and the ginger ale really hit the spot. I think some of it may just be nerves. I've got so much to contend with right now-legally. Next week Carole said she could help me out with some of it. Paw-Paw???!!!!!! That's a tree! How about grampa or grandad? I know-it's a Southern thing!

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To: [Cari H Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, March 29, 2010 9:29:11 AM

Hi: Have you seen Amy's website? It's a beauty!! I think <http://trinitytutor.com> will get you there.

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Wednesday, March 31, 2010 9:11:53 AM

I don't know how interested you are in I.M.Pei but there will be a program on him Wed. nite at eight on PBS. It may be American Masters series. . If it isnt' this week it will be next week. I didn't know he was Chinese. Didn't he do a building in Houston? Anyway he's going back to China and design some big building there.

From: [Nelya Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Date: Monday, May 10, 2010 8:34:39 AM

The magnolia blossom is slowly opening. I wondered what the perfume was this morning but it was from the flower!! Thanks!!

From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Carl H Brunsting](#)
Cc: [Carole A Brunsting](#); [Candy Curtis](#); [Daloris Rensink](#); [Amy Tschirhart](#)
Subject: Fw: Really neat!!
Date: Wednesday, June 30, 2010 9:04:13 AM

--- On **Tue, 6/29/10**, **Drina Brunsting** <drinabrunsting@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: Drina Brunsting <drinabrunsting@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Fw: Really neat!!
To: "Nelva Brunsting" <elmernelva@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Tuesday, June 29, 2010, 4:35 PM

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Joseph Fernandez <kahuna77007@yahoo.com>
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Sent: Tue, June 29, 2010 1:31:54 PM
Subject: FW: Really neat!!

--- On **Tue, 6/29/10**, **Eloise Daigle** <daigle.e.tx@iomosaic.com> wrote:

From: Eloise Daigle <daigle.e.tx@iomosaic.com>
Subject: FW: Really neat!!
To:
Date: Tuesday, June 29, 2010, 12:32 PM

This is a neat one.....

Wait till you see the
end when all the state
flowers come together in
a bouquet. **WOW!!!**

Click link below

[State Flowers](#)

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From: [Nelva Brunsting](#)
To: [Anita K Brunsting](#); [Carl H Brunsting](#); [Carole A Brunsting](#); [Candy Curtis](#); [Lynn Kuyk](#); [Amy Tschirhart](#)
Subject: Hailey, Marta's daughter and great-grandmom Nelva
Date: Sunday, November 07, 2010 2:44:20 PM
Attachments: [hailey and great=grandma 02.JPG](#)
