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Lincoln High Newsletter

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I'm a little late but wanted to respond to the question about the volunteer fire department. We live in the small town of Fremont, WI. My husband, Ward, served on the fire department for many years.

In 1980, our dairy farm was destroyed by fire and almost all of the cows. There was no cost for the firemen for their valiant efforts in fighting the fire. We rebuilt and farmed til 1998.

In Nov. of 2012, the farmhouse at the same site was destroyed in a fire. (We live on a neighboring farm.) Again, the firemen did a good job of saving the attached garage and no one was hurt. However, later we received an unexpected and substantial bill from the Fremont fire department.

Lesson learned: Find out if your local volunteer fire department charges for covering fires. If so, check to be sure your insurance policy covers the cost of putting out a fire.

This week's topics:

1. Wisconsin Rapids Cops - Your memories of the local police force then and now.
2. Drag racing. Did you?
3. What TV programs from the 50's & 60's would you like to see return to prime time?
 4. Stores used to be closed on Sunday. Was that a good idea?
 5. Rapids & Stevens Point - Football rivalry - Memories of games and hijinx.
6. Have you ever been to Alaska, Greenland, Iceland, Newfoundland or Labrador in the winter?
7. Doctors Fired, Administrators Hired - What, in your opinion, is wrong with healthcare in the US?

and (one) response:

Candace Caylor - klorkatz@att.net

1. I always enjoy hearing what my classmates think about the cops. They have told some interesting stories in the past. Hopefully, some stories will include the Sheriff deputies. [for obvious reasons]!
 2. Drag racing--are you kidding! My dad was sheriff when I was in high school, and believe it or not, our family cars were both equipped with sirens, "bubble" lights and police radios. I had strict orders to never turn the radio on if anyone else was in the car with me; but it was fun to listen to it when I drove alone.
 3. I miss the comedy shows. With very few exceptions, the ones today are not funny at all. Variety shows are a thing of the past, too.
 4. No. Our economy needs all the help it can get including open stores on Sundays.
 6. No.
 7. I won't even start on our health insurance today. It started going downhill with the start of HMO's. I won't get political but I enjoy reading everyone else's opinions!
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Don Solie dq.solie@hotmail.com sends this:

ARTISTRY OF INSULTS - When Insults Had Class
(and no 4-letter words!!)

These glorious insults are from an era when cleverness with words was still valued - before a great portion of the English language got boiled down to 4-letter words, not to mention waving middle fingers.

The exchange between Churchill & Lady Astor: She said, "If you were my husband I'd give you poison," and he said, "If you were my wife, I'd drink it."

A Member of Parliament to Disraeli: "Sir, you will either die on the gallows or of some unspeakable disease." "That depends, Sir," said Disraeli, "whether I embrace your policies or your mistress."

"He had delusions of adequacy." - Walter Kerr

"He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire." - Winston Churchill

"A modest little person, with much to be modest about." - Winston Churchill

"I have never killed a man, but I have read many obituaries with great pleasure. - " Clarence Darrow

"He has never been known to use a word that might send a reader to the dictionary." - William Faulkner (about Ernest Hemingway).

"Poor Faulkner. Does he really think big emotions come from big words?" - Ernest Hemingway (about William Faulkner)

"Thank you for sending me a copy of your book; I'll waste no time reading it." - Moses Hadas

"He can compress the most words into the smallest idea of any man I know." - Abraham Lincoln

"I didn't attend the funeral, but I sent a nice letter saying I approved of it." - Mark Twain

"He has no enemies, but is intensely disliked by his friends." - Oscar Wilde

"I am enclosing two tickets to the first night of my new play; bring a friend.... if you have one." - George Bernard Shaw to Winston Churchill

"Cannot possibly attend the first night; will attend the second... if there is one." - Winston Churchill, in response.

"I feel so miserable without you; it's almost like having you here." - Stephen Bishop

"He is a self-made man and worships his creator." - John Bright

"I've just learned about his illness. Let's hope it's nothing trivial." - Irvin S. Cobb

"There's nothing wrong with you that reincarnation won't cure." - Jack E. Leonard

"He has the attention span of a lightning bolt." - Robert Redford

"He loves nature in spite of what it did to him." - Forrest Tucker

"Why do you sit there looking like an envelope without any address on it?" - Mark Twain

"His mother should have thrown him away and kept the stork." - Mae West

"Some cause happiness wherever they go; others, whenever they go." - Oscar Wilde

"He uses statistics as a drunken man uses lamp-posts... for support rather than illumination." - Andrew Lang (1844-1912)

"He has Van Gogh's ear for music." - Billy Wilder

"I've had a perfectly wonderful evening. But this wasn't it