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Thanks for including the piece by Don Wylie. It is refreshing to know that I am not the only person left who doesn't suffer from Goreaphobia.

A few months back I read an article by John Coleman (Chicago Meteorologist) who feels the same as Don. He also said that telling it like it is, that weather is cyclical, doesn't put \$\$ in the bank. If an organization wants to receive donations and grant \$\$ they have to have a sensational cause. It just seems sad that so much of the population is buying in to the "Gore Theory of Weather."

Bill Cammack (62) doormates@charter.net

Steve Harding (65) scoot@tznet.com writes:

What is this (Newsletter) anyway?

The local version of Fox News Network where all the news is "fair and balanced"?

Ed: Yup!

I have half a mind to take my name off the list but will stay on just in case there is anything truly interesting to read. So far this is becoming a right wing voice for all the men from the class of 65. What ever happened to the truly independent thinkers of the 60's? Where are the real people hiding? The ones who questioned everything, that had a social conscience, that knew right from wrong, that felt being rich did not mean you made tons of money on the backs of those less fortunate and to the detriment of the same. The reason this country is in such bad shape is that these people disappeared. They are gone, melted away into the religious, the political, the economic masses. They are but a grain of sand in a sea of mud, indiscernable from one another. Then when 911 happened those that were left to stand up and speak out are labeled anti-american etc.

The truly anti-americans are those that censor, berate and condemn those that do speak out. They are the reason Bush and his mentors got away with lying to the American people and sending our troops to war for no reason. And yet you stand by them even though they have killed thousands of innocent people. Now you also stand by the oil companies when they are raping the american public. 11 billion net profit for Exxon when they have yet to clean up the Valdez mess and yet to make restitution.

For all you supposed Christians out there, God forbid you help any of these lowlife mooching dark skinned (anything other than white) "aliens" trying to make a living and help their families.

And it is really too bad that all of our jobs are going overseas but hey, that is life and the american way. Make it cheaper at any cost and to hell with american workers. They were getting too much money anyway. It serves them right. But as I tell my customers, the people losing their jobs are the same ones who buy your goods so complain

about the workers all you want. They would not be making the wrong products if the corporate idiots had their heads on straight and actually chose the right product for their employees to make. Yet it is the american way to reward the execs for doing a lousy job by giving them bonuses, stock options etc. It is the american way.

I am basically an independent in both my politics, religion and social conscience. It bugs the crap out of me to see this country become so polarized that nothing gets done or ever will get done. So you guys blame the liberals and they will blame the right wing and you can all go to hell together. Just do not drag the rest of us with you.

Perhaps soon there will be enough independent thinkers to actually overcome the power of the right and left and bring to life a third party with a social conscience, a conservative ethic and liberal thread. A party not based on fear but based on pride, prudence and passion. Who knows, it just could happen.

Two of the colognes I used were Barnaby's Bitters (one bottle was a gift from Nancy O'Neil) and Canoe. Two ubiquitous colognes in the 1960's were Jade East and English Leather.

My clothes in college were usually white oxford cloth shirts, khaki slacks, V-necked sweaters, and tasseled or penny loafers. John Frost always put Indian head pennies in his loafers. Bill Heilman had an enviable wardrobe: Gant button-down shirts and cashmere sweaters (he and Chuck Hinners had two of the best looking Argyle sweaters I have ever seen). No one had more yellow button-down oxford cloth shirts than Don Solie.

Eric Sydamma (in college) always looked as though he had stepped out of the pro shop at Bull's Eye. The one worst clothing fads: leisure suits. On of the best fashion staples: Brook's Brothers. three button suits. **Stan Schultz schultzmti@aol.com**

Kent,

Once again, thanks for your continuing efforts to keep the newsletter going. You do a great job and it is appreciated. I thought this might be cute just before Mother's and Father's Days. I know that parents often feel under appreciated, but I think most of us know that we are loved by our children. Happy Mother's Day Marcia (Olson) '65 zerkeezia@yahoo.com

PARENT - Job Description

If it had been presented this way, I don't believe any of us would have done it!!!!

POSITION:

Mom, Mommy, Mama, Ma Dad, Daddy, Dada, Pa, Pop

IOB DESCRIPTION:

Long term, team players needed, for challenging, permanent work in an often chaotic environment.

Candidates must possess excellent communication and organizational skills and be willing to work

variable hours, which will include evenings and weekends and frequent 24 hour shifts on call.

Some overnight travel required, including trips to primitive camping sites on rainy weekends and endless sports tournaments in far away cities! Travel expenses not reimbursed.

Extensive courier duties also required.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

The rest of your life.

Must be willing to be hated, at least temporarily, until someone needs \$5.

Must be willing to bite tongue repeatedly.

Also, must possess the physical stamina of a pack mule and be able to go from zero to 60 mph in three seconds flat in case, this time, the screams from the backyard are not someone just crying wolf.

Must be willing to face stimulating technical challenges, such as small gadget repair, mysteriously sluggish toilets and stuck zippers.

Must screen phone calls, maintain calendars and coordinate production of multiple homework projects.

Must have ability to plan and organize social gatherings for clients of all ages and mental outlooks.

Must be willing to be indispensable one minute, an embarrassment the next.

Must handle assembly and product safety testing of a half million cheap, plastic toys, and battery operated devices.

Must always hope for the best but be prepared for the worst.

Must assume final, complete accountability for the quality of the end product.

Responsibilities also include floor maintenance and janitorial work throughout the facility.

POSSIBILITY FOR ADVANCEMENT & PROMOTION:

None.

Your job is to remain in the same position for years, without complaining, constantly retraining and updating your skills, so that those in your charge can ultimately surpass you

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE:

None required unfortunately.

On-the-job training offered on a continually exhausting basis.

WAGES AND COMPENSATION:

Get this! You pay them!

Offering frequent raises and bonuses.

A balloon payment is due when they turn 18 because of the assumption that college will

help them

become financially independent.

When you die, you give them whatever is left.

The oddest thing about this reverse-salary scheme is that you actually enjoy it and wish you could only do more.

BENEFITS:

While no health or dental insurance, no pension, no tuition reimbursement, no paid holidays and no stock options are offered; this job supplies limitless opportunities for personal growth, unconditional love and free hugs and kisses for life if you play your cards right.