

# THE "BOWTIE BULLETIN" July 2006 Issue

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## From "The Pres", Don Mende

Business meeting on July 24<sup>th</sup>, please plan on being there, as we'll be voting on changes to our clubs by-laws.

Can you believe that ½ of the year is already gone, man time is flying. The older I get the faster it seems to go by.

We were able to attend the Deacon Jones car show even though the weather man said it was gonna rain cats and dogs that afternoon, it never rained a drop, LOL. They hardly ever get it right and with all that technology. The club had 13 cars in attendance and we made \$300 for our social fund. It was again a hot day but I think everyone enjoyed themselves. A **BIG** thank you to Linwood Johnson for once again getting us this gig.

My Grandson is visiting us for a few weeks so I put him to work helping with the newsletter and I took advantage of his computer skills. I had him design the outside label on the CD's of our car show pictures and he made a bunch of copies that we'll be passing out at the next business meeting. He did a great job; hope y'all like the CD's.

Well see y'all at the meeting, stay safe and hug your kids.

Don

## Social Corner

By Tom Camilliere

The Pig Picken at Pullen Park was a great success with about 50 people eating some great pig. This was a free event and a great time was had by all. We had some great desserts made by our cooks of the club, what a great dessert table.

Other up coming free events, mark your calendars

1. 8/20/06, Sanderling Beach, Sunday afternoon, eat at 4:00pm at shelter #5 , you bring a side ot dessert and a drink.
2. 10/21/06. Fairview Center, Your Specialty Dish Dinner, White Elephant Sale, eat at 6:30pm, Saturday night. More cooks are signing up however, we still need more cooks. If you are not cooking a special dish please bring a side or a dessert and a drink.
3. 12/02/06, Christmas Party at the Fairview Center, menu in the planning stages. Everyone bring a side or a dessert and a drink. Also, bring a 10-15 dollar gift for the gift exchange.

***Remember Sanderling Beach on 8/20!!!!!! See everyone there***

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SIGN UP FOR THE EVENTS YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND. THE SIGN-UP SHEETS WILL BE AT THE MEETINGS. THIS WORKED GREAT LAST YEAR, SO KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK AND SIGN UP.

***HAPPY CRUZIN AND BE SAFE***

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# Oxymorons

1. Is it good if a vacuum really sucks?
2. Why is the third hand on the watch called the second hand?
3. If a word were misspelled in the dictionary, how would we ever know?
4. If Webster wrote the first dictionary, where did he find the words?
5. Why do we say something is out of whack? What is whack?
6. Why does "slow down" and "slow up" mean the same thing?
7. Why does "fat chance" and "slim chance" mean the same thing?
8. Why do "tug" boats push their barges?
9. Why do we sing "Take me out to the ball game" when we're already there?
10. Why are they called "stands" when they're made for sitting?
11. Why is it called "after dark" when it's really "after light"?
12. Doesn't "expecting the unexpected" make the unexpected expected?
13. Why are a "wise man" and a "wise guy" opposites?
14. Why do "overlook" and "oversee" mean opposite things?
15. Why is "phonics" not spelled the way it sounds?
16. If work is so terrific, why do they have to pay you to do it?
17. If all the world is a stage, where is the audience sitting?
18. If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular?
19. If you are cross-eyed and have dyslexia, can you read all right?
20. Why is bra singular and panties plural?
21. Why do you press harder on the buttons of a remote control when you know the batteries are dead?
22. Why do we put suits in garment bags and garments in a suitcase?
23. How come abbreviated is such a long word?
24. Why do we wash bath towels? Aren't we clean when we use them?
25. Why doesn't glue stick to the inside of the bottle?
26. Why do they call it a TV set when you only have one?
27. Christmas - What other time of the year do you sit in front of a dead tree and eat candy out of your socks?

# *Only a Southerner knows.....*

Just a reminder.

*Southern is not geographic, it's in the heart.*

Only a Southerner knows the difference between a hissie fit and a conniption fit, and that you don't "have" them, you "PITCH" them..

Only a Southerner knows how many fish, collard greens, turnip greens, peas, beans, etc., make up "a mess." .. and we ain't given our secrets away to no Yankees.

Only a Southerner can show or point out to you the general direction of "yonder."

Only a Southerner knows exactly how long "directly" is - as in: "Going to town, be back directly."

Even Southern babies know that "gimme some sugar" is not a request for the white, granular sweet substance that sits in a pretty little bowl in the middle of the table.

All Southerners know exactly when "by and by" is. They might not use the term, but they know the concept well.

Only a Southerner knows instinctively that the best gesture of solace for a neighbor who's got trouble is a plate of hot fried chicken and a big bowl of cold potato salad. If the neighbor's trouble is a real crisis, they also know to add a large banana puddin!

Only Southerners grow up knowing the difference between "right near" and "a right far piece." They also know that "just down the road" can be 1 mile or 20.

Only a Southerner, both knows and understands the difference between a redneck, a good ol' boy, and po' white trash.

No true Southerner would ever assume that the car with the flashing turn signal is actually going to make a turn.

A Southerner knows that "fixin" can be used as a noun, a verb, or an adverb.

Only Southerners make friends while standing in lines. We don't do "queues," we do "lines"; and when we're "in line," we talk to everybody!

Southerners know grits come from corn and how to eat them.

Every Southerner knows tomatoes with eggs, bacon, grits, and coffee are perfectly wonderful; that red eye gravy is also a breakfast food; and that fried green tomatoes are not a breakfast food.

When you hear someone say, "Well, I caught myself lookin'," you know you are in the presence of a genuine Southerner!

Only true Southerners say "sweet tea" and "sweet milk." Sweet tea indicates the need for sugar and lots of it -- we do not like our tea unsweetened. "Sweet milk" means you don't want buttermilk.

And a true Southerner knows you don't scream obscenities at little old ladies who drive 30 MPH on the freeway. You just say, "Bless her heart" and go your own way.

And to those of you who are still having a hard time understanding all this Southern stuff, b less your hearts, I hear they are fixin' to have classes on Southernness as a Second Language!

And last but certainly not least, for those that are NOT born Southern but have lived here for a long, long time, all y'all need a sign to hang on ya'll's front porch that reads "I ain't originally from the South, but I got here as fast as I could."

## **Important Things Everyone Should Know**

In the 1400's a law was set forth that a man was not allowed to beat his wife with a stick thicker than his thumb. Hence we have "the rule of thumb"

The first couple to be shown in bed together on prime time TV was Fred and Wilma Flintstone.

Every day more money is printed for Monopoly than the US Treasury.

Men can read smaller print than women can; women can hear better.

Coca-Cola was originally green.

It is impossible to lick your elbow.

The percentage of Africa that is wilderness: 28% (now get this...):

The percentage of North America that is wilderness: 38%

The cost of raising a medium-size dog to the age of eleven: \$6,400

The average number of people airborne over the US any given hour: 61,000

Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.

The first novel ever written on a typewriter: Tom Sawyer.

The San Francisco Cable cars are the only mobile National Monuments.

Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history:

Spades - King David    Hearts – Charlemagne    Clubs -Alexander, the Great    Diamonds - Julius Caesar

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If a statue in the park of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle. If the horse has one front leg in the air the person died as a result of wounds received in battle. If the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes.

Only two people signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4th, John Hancock and Charles Thomson. Most of the rest signed on August 2, but the last signature wasn't added until 5 years later.

In Shakespeare's time, mattresses were secured on bed frames by ropes. When you pulled on the ropes the mattress tightened, making the bed firmer to sleep on. Hence the phrase..... "goodnight, sleep tight."

It was the accepted practice in Babylon 4,000 years ago that for a month after the wedding, the bride's father would supply his son-in-law with all the mead he could drink. Mead is a honey beer and because their calendar was lunar based, this period was called the honey month, which we know today as the honeymoon.

In English pubs, ale is ordered by pints and quarts... So in old England, when customers got unruly, the bartender would yell at them "Mind your pints and quarts, and settle down." It's where we get the phrase "mind your P's and Q's"

Many years ago in England; pub frequenters had a whistle baked into the rim, or handle, of their ceramic cups. When they needed a refill, they used the whistle to get some service. "Wet your whistle" is the phrase inspired by this practice.

~~~~~**AND FINALLY**~~~~~

**At least 75% of people who read this will try to lick their elbow.**