



## Recipe Corner

### Chocolate Chip Cookies

Finally found a cookie recipe that doesn't result in a hundred cookies. This dough can be frozen in small freezer bags for half dozen at a time.

#### Ingredients:

- ½ pound butter, softened
- ¾ cup sugar
- ¾ cup brown sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 1 ¼ teaspoons vanilla extract
- ¼ teaspoon lemon juice
- 2 ¼ cups flour
- 1/2 cup rolled oats
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Pinch cinnamon
- 2 2/3 cups chocolate chips
- 1 3/4 cups chopped nuts

#### Directions:

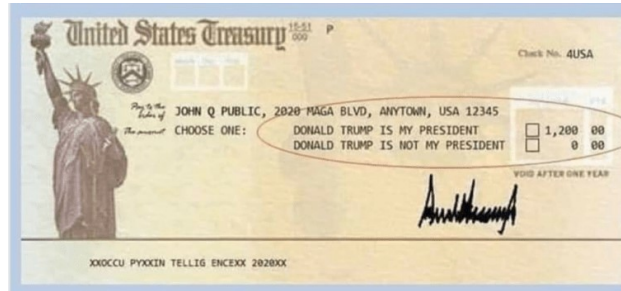
Cream butter, sugar and brown sugar in the bowl of a stand mixer on medium speed for about 2 minutes. Add eggs, vanilla and lemon juice, blending for 30 seconds. Add flour, oats, baking soda, salt and cinnamon, blending for about 45 seconds. Don't overmix. Remove bowl from mixer and stir in chocolate chips and nuts. Scoop about 3TBS onto a baking sheet lined with parchment paper about 2 inches apart. Bake for 20 to 23 minutes, oven at 300°F or until edges are golden brown and center is still soft. Freeze the cookie dough into balls; no need to thaw. Use same baking instructions above.

## THE FRANK REPORT

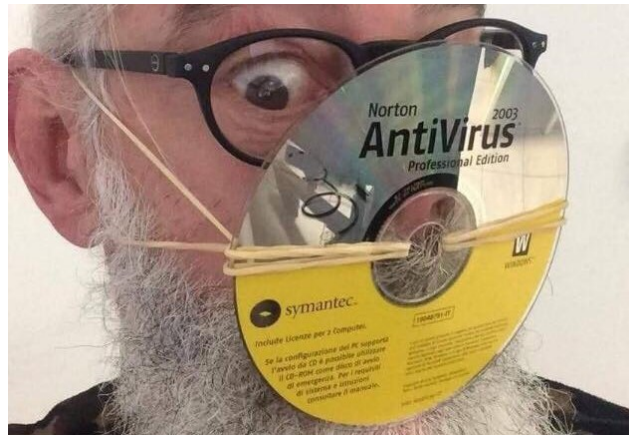
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All the news I see fit to print.

Freedom of the press belongs to those who own one.



**Ask a Republican about the beer flu and they will talk about the beer flu.**  
**Ask a Democrat about the beer flu and they will talk about Trump.**



**Strange times** when you can walk into a bank wearing a mask...ask a teller for money...and not get arrested. I also stopped shaking hands when they ran out of toilet paper. Amazon is hitting record internet sales...of products made in China.

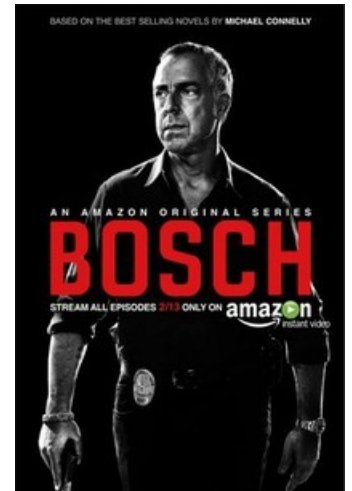


**Try this on Facebook**...post this picture and tell your followers they can avoid government eavesdropping by cutting off the secret antenna the government installed on their cars.

There will be some who will!

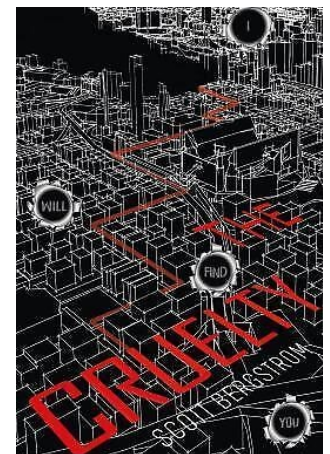
## Bon Mots

Life is soup.  
I am a fork.



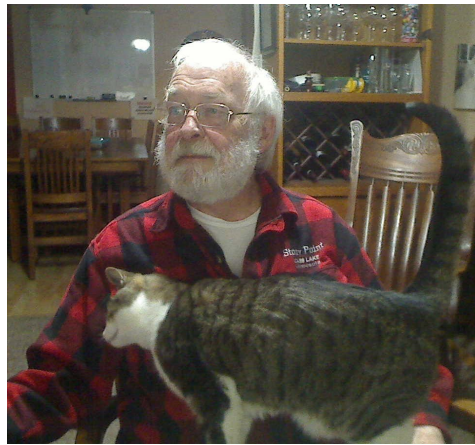
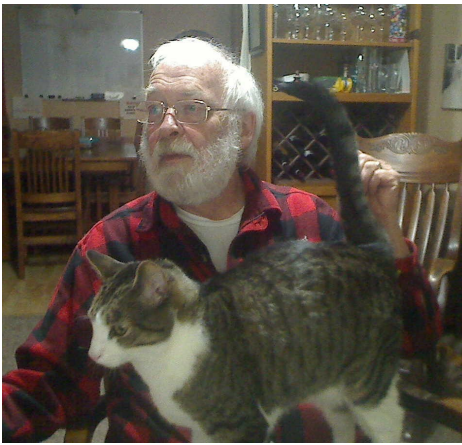
## Book Report

Michael Connelly's books are now into a sixth season of TV on Amazon Prime. His debut novel was **The Black Echo** with a hardcover copy selling for \$300+ in their book department. The author is executive producer and co-writer of the TV screen adaptation...which was why I thought I had seen the sixth season but found it was almost word for word with the book...a truly amazing feat accomplished by Connelly. Titus Welliver is great as **Harry Bosch**.



**Cruelty** is Bergstrom's debut novel. Good enough to get me looking for more by him.

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**Paul is one of my two feral cats. Scared of humans. I have grandchildren who have never seen him. He is an IT expert.**



***If olive oil is made from olives,  
then baby oil must be made from....OMG!***

***Explaining the price of oil:***

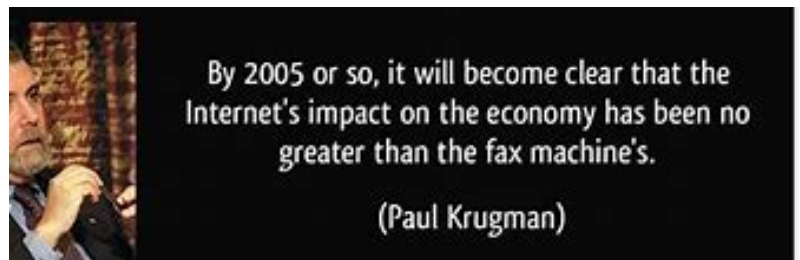
Speculators contracted for oil at a certain price. If they did not sell that contract by a certain date (*they were betting on a price higher than their contract bid*), they would have to TAKE DELIVERY. Most of those speculators are on Wall Street. They all dumped the contracts at a loss at the same time the refiners and resellers quit buying because their storage was full.

Enter Donald Trump who accepted the oil for our strategic reserve and the speculators **PAID HIM \$30 a barrel to take it**. That's why oil price was reported as a negative number.

Meanwhile, we're seeing gas prices low because we are not driving and the airlines are not flying which created the oil glut. The speculators and resellers could not have seen what was coming.

Most of the speculators on Wall Street are heavy contributors to the Democrats...which sets up the Lame Stream Media to castigate Trump for taking advantage of those "poor" speculators.

Maybe Nancy will include them in the next PPP?



By 2005 or so, it will become clear that the Internet's impact on the economy has been no greater than the fax machine's.

(Paul Krugman)

Nobel Prize (sic) economist and Democrat's go-to guy for budgeting made this comment in 1998. I won't bore you with more...you can find them easily on the internet. In the meantime, Democrats are pushing hard on the vote by mail issue. Here's why:

U.S. Election Assistance Commission and the Election Administration and Voting Surveys for the 2012, 2014, 2016, and 2018 election cycles finds that nearly 30 million mail-in ballots sent to registered voters went missing. In 2012, more than 33 million mail-in ballots were sent to registered voters. Of those, nearly four million went missing, more than 425,000 were undeliverable, and almost 260,000 were rejected.

For the 2014 election cycle, the number of mail-in ballots that went missing spiked to more than eight million. In that election, 29.2 million mail-in ballots were sent to registered voters. More than 610,000 of those mail-in ballots were undeliverable, and about 269,000 were rejected. Another 8.2 million of those mail-in ballots went missing.

Democrats are lobbying for nationwide mail-in voting for the November presidential election — a move that would potentially deliver ballots to an estimated 24 million ineligible voters. The plan is being bankrolled by organizations funded by billionaire Soros.

I don't think they will all fit into the trunk of Al Franken's car.

***Off topic quick question:***

**How is the beer flu vaccine going to eliminate the beer flu if the flu vaccine didn't eliminate the flu?**

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