



Recipe Corner

oven baked lamb chops

Garlic bits, cilantro and olive oil on each side. Bake in a 350 degree oven for about 15 minutes which will give you a pink center. Anything beyond that and they get a gamey taste.

The baked potato to go with it is scored once lengthways then three times sideways. Into microwave about five minutes, then into the 350 oven until done. Use the last 15 minutes to add the lamb chops. A salad and some wine and you're good to go.

Recommended this (March) but added picture of the finished product...at top...



...not this one, but Paul obviously agrees. He stole a bone while I wasn't looking. The Boys are on a strict diet of lams cat food so he licked it twice and then played catch with Peter until they got tired of the new toy. I did clean up their mess so Gin won't have to.



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All the news I see fit to print.
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Thoughts While Thinking About Internet Security

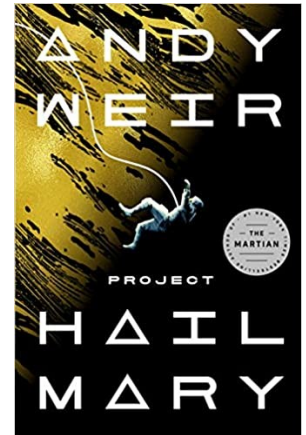
This newsletter has been sent via email...there are almost 150,000,000,000 sent each day. There are two points in any email which brings the total to over 300 BILLION specific computers involved. I use a multiple redundant system to protect my computer that includes an uninterruptible power system, virtual private network and a dedicated server I rent that includes anti cyberwarfare attacks. Additional security is provided by Norton software. The chances of a cyberattack to find me within those 300 billion emails is slim to none. The greatest firewall I have is to eliminate the greatest threat that comes from...social media. They collect...and sell...your computer's information to track you, gather info from computers you contact, and try to sell you things they know you're interested in.

Some of you know the back story about how this newsletter came to be. Starting with family members, then shared with others who requested a subscription to several hundred today. I'm suggesting you do the same. It's not hard when you know the easy steps. You had a learning curve before you could use social media. This learning curve is even shorter. I start with publisher software to create a template. During the week I fill in the various places on the template as strange thoughts arise...sometimes aided by wine. Once filled, I convert the template to a PDF file so it can be attached to an email. Make sure you use the BCC feature of your email when sending it to your group. That protects the security of the email addresses.

What if your group was able to hook up with my group? We'd establish a secure network that nobody could hack. Sound logical? The Communist Party created this concept to protect the identities of their various "cells". It'd be ironic to use their creation to fight back against the social media censors and avoid their "groupthink" designed to destroy anyone who disagrees with them. Go for it!!!

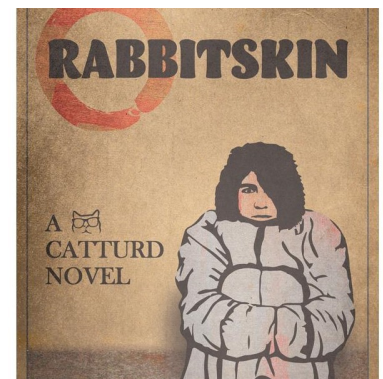
Bon Mots

Worst thing about getting old is forgetting where you left an almost full wine glass.



Book Report

Do NOT miss this one. His first book, *The Martian*, catapulted him into \$\$\$ Hollyweird with Matt Damon starring. This one is even better. I'm not a big fan of math, but even if you're not fond of Sci-Fi, Andy has a way with words that sneaks the math/science right by you as an integral part of the fast paced dialogue. And, his alien is literally out of this world!



If you're familiar with GAB.COM, you'll recognize the name catturd. He has a hilarious sci-fi book out I ordered to support him. I was pleasantly surprised how funny it is.

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I mentioned my home projects keep me busy and sane. The wall behind my bed has a seven inch shelf. I had already built a small bookcase on the opposite wall behind the door as I have been adding lots of books to my collection, notably debut novels of my favorite and upcoming authors.



The quilt is a homemade family item with a 1922 date on the tag but no name of the relative who made it. Yes, The Boys have their own bed on my bed. They have not been happy as the room has been torn apart for the construction and painting of the new bookcase. That small clock right side on top of the headboard is a unique gadget from the VA with an alarm setting that literally shakes the bed...and scares hell out of The Boys when it goes off. Wakes me up when I am not wearing my hearing aids.

Mal Mots
If you can't look back at your younger self and realize that you were an idiot, you are probably still an idiot. You're welcome



For our new subscribers: here are **The Boys** mentioned in article at left. Peter (left) and Paul pretty much run the house schedule. They tolerate me as long as I provide food, fresh water and a clean litter box.



I see where Biden is trying to ban menthol cigarettes. Go ahead and smoke. Nobody has died of cancer or heart disease since the coronavirus came around...just saying.

Until next week...

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The clock also has a feature allowing me to hit a button and turn on the lights. Landline phone is in small cubby hole upper right. Daughter Mary is a 911 dispatcher and says a 911 call via landline gives them a specific location rather than a cell tower. Haven't figured out where The Boys will be sleeping, but there's room on the lower center shelf for their bed. Color from the phone camera pictures not the best; the green is two shades darker than the rest of the walls. This is actually the smallest of the four bedrooms but works for me. The kids command the others when they visit. I also drive a small Miata so it takes little room in the three car garage which makes it great for my woodworking tools and table saws.