Recipe Corner

Versatile Marinara sauce: stop buying that jar of sauce and do this. Two cans of diced tomatoes and one small can of tomato paste. Use blender to mix. Set aside. In sauce pan, about 1/4 cup olive oil and 2T garlic buds. Garlic gets sweet if you cook it before it goes into recipe. Add some spice; thyme, oregano, etc. Now add the tomato sauce and let cook very slowly (several hours) over very low simmer. The resulting sauce is going to be much gooder than the store bought stuff and a lot less expensive. I use for *pennesgeti:* el dente penne, mozzarella, sweet peppers, hamburger and onions. After the hamburger is cooked with the onions/peppers, add the sauce and then fold into the cheese and penne. Bake at 350 degrees and you'll have the gourmet version of the packaged beefaroni (gag!). This sauce freezes well and can be packaged in zip lock bags with measured amounts for future. Don't forget to date and label.

News Report

SACRAMENTO, Ĉalif. (AP) — California health officials reported Friday that 374 terminally ill people took drugs to end their lives in 2017, the first full year after a law made the option legal. (CNN assigns four "journalists" to interview them...DNC registers them to vote.)

House Hints:

Doing Laundry...gotta find those four people who are hiding in my house. Why do they call them fitted sheets when it's impossible to fold them? Tip: find tag on fitted sheet; mine works if I use that corner at lower right hand of the bed so I don't try to stretch it the wrong way. Lock cats in closet before making bed. Always check dryer for cats before starting. Missing socks will appear after you throw their mate away. Do NOT use dryer sheets as they form a film on the dryer's filter and make the dryer work harder.

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.



13,506 Marines have applied for Whitehouse Duty since the inauguration of President Trump. In the previous eight years, no Marines volunteered for this duty, they had to be "assigned." Speaks volumes.

Look at the smile on that Marine's face. Now search for the guys that were assigned to the previous White House. Just finished a book about the Clintons sent to me by friend Michael Marshall. How they have stayed out of jail these many years defies common sense. If only 1/10th of the information in this book is true, the concept of Deep State takes on additional credibility.

AND JUST LIKE THAT



A RESTAURANT SEALED THE FATE OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY



I don't suppose we should mention your box of chocolates advice?

Bon Mots

It's better to have questions that can't be answered than answers that can't be questioned.

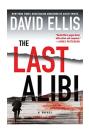
Book Report

Tried this Charlie Parker mystery but gave up as Connolly kept referring to previous books.



Dug out the first Charlie Parker book to see if that would help. Since he couldn't refer to previous, plot was better. Not too bad.

Jason Kolarich new hero much gooder. Seems once author creates character, hate to let them go even though they stretch credulity.



As I have mentioned before, I think James Patterson is one of the laziest authors in both plot and dialogue. Why David Ellis (and others) allow him to "coauthor" their work? I suspect they get better marketing support from the publisher while Patterson gets a share of the sales. Ellis has four books "co-authored". This one he didn't share... one of four with this lawyer/hero. Yes, Ellis is a lawyer with a heavy (and distracting) abundance of legalese in the plot. Using first person dialogue but with multiple characters was confusing until I figured out what he was doing. Was a complicated but good read. Friend Michael Marshall has been sending books.

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How To Spot Fake News

They claim to report the news but focus on what may happen. That's predicting, not reporting. Reporting is telling you what happened. I was taught in journalism classes to answer the 5 w's and one H...who/what/why/when/where and how. Instead, we are getting a steady stream of might and maybe with lots of adjectives thrown in for good measure. The local Star Trib paper is getting desperate. They now toss a copy in the driveway and call it a trial subscription. I sent a letter to the publisher, copied the local police, and pointed out that a stack of newspapers in front of a house is a burglar's notice that the home may be ripe for their attention. They were forced to come and get the stack I ignored...but they have started the practice again.

Next will be a complaint of littering.



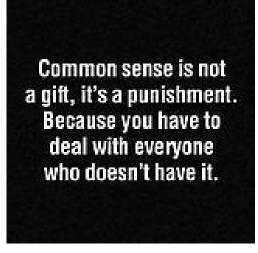
Betcha this isn't a demonstration against pedophilia!

I mentioned, in a previous issue, I had installed an on demand water heater. Figured keeping 40 gallons of water heated constantly didn't make a lot of sense. Just got the first gas bill for a full month after it was installed. They measure gas usage in therms (the volume of gas used). Last year for the month it was 8.5 therms. This year for the comparable period it was 2.1. The bill for the month was \$12.43 I also had the garage insulated and have a gas heater out there. Figured it would be nice for winter. Couple days after the insulation was installed, the outside temperature was 90 degrees.

It was 70 degrees in the garage. BTW: the gas company also gave me a nice rebate check against the cost of the on demand water heater (cash).



Red Hen restaurant has seating for maybe 50 people. Lame Stream Media chuckled that they would not serve one of the most recognizable of those 50 people. All three late night "comedians" said they should have served her and added disgusting bodily fluids in her food order. There's a Red Hen restaurant in MN...the owner of that restaurant missed a golden opportunity to send a gift certificate to Sanders with assurance that their staff is focused on customer service and not political statements. In the meantime, the political version of Red Hen has closed for a week, the owner removed from a local business group and their website has lots of 404 announcements.



Pope Francis Praises Synchronized Swimming as 'Pinnacle of Teamwork'

Michael Moore Tells Resistance 'Get Off The Couch' and 'Put Bodies on the Line'

Maxine Waters Cancels Events over 'Lynching' Threat

CNN's Acosta Shouts Out to Trump: 'Will You Stop Calling the Press the Enemy of the People?'

Wikipedia Editors Label ICE Detention Centers 'Concentration Camps'

Bill Clinton on Hillary's Private Email Server: 'She Just Used What Was Mine'

Obama Tells Democrats to Forget Trump,
Find a Message

The beat goes on....

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