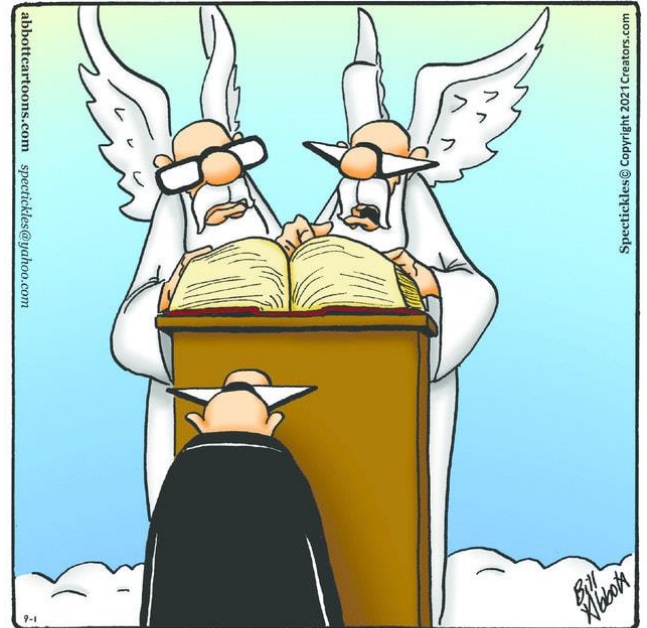


## Thoughts and Smiles – September 11, 2023

I was shocked, confused, bewildered  
As I entered Heaven's door,  
Not by the beauty of it all,  
Nor the lights or its decor.  
But it was the folks in Heaven  
Who made me sputter and gasp--  
The thieves, the liars, the sinners,  
The alcoholics and the trash.  
There stood the kid from seventh grade  
Who swiped my lunch money twice.  
Next to him was my old neighbour  
Who never said anything nice.  
Bob, who I always thought  
Was rotting away in hell,  
Was sitting pretty on cloud nine,  
Looking incredibly well.  
I nudged Jesus, 'What's the deal?  
I would love to hear Your take.  
How'd all these sinners get up here?  
God must've made a mistake.  
'And why is everyone so quiet,  
So somber - give me a clue.'  
'Hush, my child,' He said,  
'they're all in shock.'  
No one thought they'd be seeing you.'



"He really isn't bad, per se, but he is  
kind of a jerk."



## **Heavens to Mergatroyd!**

*The other day a not so elderly (I say 75) lady said something to her son about driving a Jalopy; and he looked at her and said, "What the heck is a Jalopy?" He had never heard of the word jalopy! She knew she was old ...But not that old.*

*Well, I hope you are Hunky Dory when you read this and chuckle.*

*About a month ago, I illuminated some old expressions that have become obsolete because of the inexorable march of technology.*

*These phrases included: Don't touch that dial; Carbon copy; You sound like a broken record; and Hung out to dry.*

*Back in the olden days we had a lot of moxie . We'd put on our best bib and tucker, to straighten up and fly right.*

*Heavens to Betsy!*

*Gee whillikers!*

*Jumping Jehoshaphat!*

*Holy Moley!*

*We were in like Flynn and living the life of Riley ; and even a regular guy couldn't accuse us of being a knucklehead, a nincompoop or a pill.*

*Not for all the tea in China!*

*Back in the olden days, life used to be swell, but when's the last time*

*anything was swell? Swell has gone the way of beehives, pageboys and the D.A.; of spats, knickers, fedoras, poodle skirts, saddle shoes, and pedal pushers.*

*Oh, my aching back! Kilroy was here, but he isn't anymore.*

*We wake up from what surely has been just a short nap, and before we can say, "Well, I'll be a monkey's uncle!" Or, "This is a fine kettle of fish!"*

*We discover that the words we grew up with, the words that seemed omnipresent, as oxygen, have vanished with scarcely a notice from our tongues and our pens and our keyboards.*

*Poof, go the words of our youth. Where have all those great phrases gone?*

*Long gone: Pshaw, The milkman did it. Hey! It's your nickel.*

*Don't forget to pull the chain. Knee high to a grasshopper.*

*Well, Fiddlesticks! Going like sixty. I'll see you in the funny papers.*

*Don't take any wooden nickels. Wake up and smell the roses.*

*It turns out there are more of these lost words and expressions than Carter has liver pills.*

*This can be disturbing stuff! (Carter's Little Liver Pills are gone too!)*

*Leaves us to wonder where Superman will find a phone booth.*

*See ya later, alligator! After a while crocodile. Oki-Doki artichoke! Thanks.*



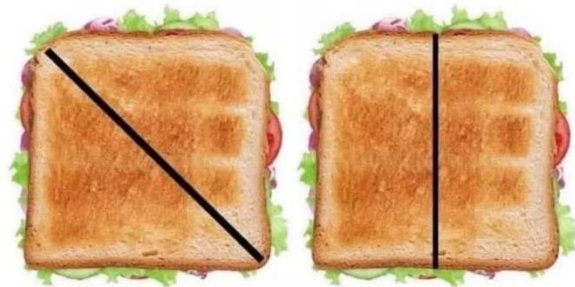


"This is our most inexpensive recliner."

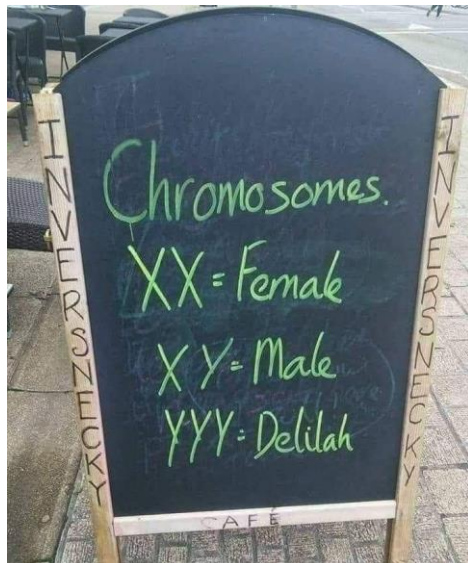
I tried one of those "gummies" last night. Didn't feel anything.



the geometry is too complicated to explain here but cutting a sandwich diagonally gives you more sandwich



this is what happens when we drain pumpkins of their spice, think twice before u order that latte



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Blessings to you all!***

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