

# It's Settled!



An elderly man living on the West Coast calls his son living on the East Coast and says: "I have some bad news to share with you. Your mother and I are divorcing." The son responds, "Pop, that's insane! You can't divorce mom after all these years."

His dad replied, "It may sound crazy to you, but forty-five years of misery is enough for me. I am going to tell her tomorrow on Thanksgiving Day. It will be the last one we spend together!"

Frantically, the son calls his sister in the Midwest and gives her the shocking news. The sister shouts furiously, "Like heck there getting a divorce. We're both going to fly out there tomorrow and talk some sense into dad. I don't care if it's Thanksgiving!"

She hangs up the phone and calls her parents. When her dad answers the phone she yells, "Don't you dare do anything until my brother and I get there tomorrow."

The dad hangs up the phone and turns to his wife. "Well that's settled," he says with a smile. "They're coming for Thanksgiving and paying their own way. Now what do we tell them for Christmas?"

The above parent child encounter illustrates how inventive parents can be, especially when it comes to getting their children to do their bidding, and do it without costing them a dime.

Have you ever used trickery to get what you wanted? Cunning people are often categorized as having evil intent, but as the story proves, you can use creative deception to create a positive outcome. If you try to pull off something similar, be sure that your intended target has a good sense of humor.

# Boudreaux's Wisdom



Boudreaux and Thibodeaux take their first flight ever. The plane takes off and shortly after the captain comes over the intercom and announces that there will be a 30 minute delay in their arrival time, because one of the four engines blew. Some more time passes and the captain comes on the intercom and announces that another engine has blown and this will delay them for an hour. Some more time passes and the captain comes over the intercom once more and informs the passengers that yet another engine has failed, adding more delay to the flight. At this point, Boudreaux tells Thibodeaux, "Mais, if that fourth engine goes out, we gonna be stuck up here forever."

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## Reliable Rig #15

Pictured from left to right are Paul Mallet, Michael Pate, Billy Blakely, Orise "Big O" Tezeno and Gary "Boss" Rivet.

Gary is the Rig Supervisor. He began his career at Reliable over thirty-two years ago. Orise is the Driller. He will log three years on January 30, 2012. Billy is the Derrickman. He signed on with Reliable on September 23, 2011. Michael and Paul share the duties as Floorhands. Michael celebrated two years on November 16 of this year and Paul came aboard on July 14, 2011.

Rig #15 has been working in Louisiana and Mississippi for Tellus Operating for over six years. They have performed workovers, new well completions and P&A's in Montegut, Antioch, Shreveport, Lottie, Vicksburg, Mississippi and are currently working in Raleigh, Mississippi.



# December Anniversaries

Wallace Breaux 8 yrs. 12/1 LRI  
Stanley Hargrave 8 yrs. 12/1 LRI  
Robert Meche 8 yrs. 12/1 LRI  
Allen Turner 36 yrs. 12/1 RAC  
Ervin Padgett 1 yr. 12/1 RAC  
Gerard Brumfield 2 yrs. 12/7 LRI  
James Goode 9 yrs. 12/9 RPS



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# MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer, holly wreaths, decorated trees, mistletoe, season's greetings, seasonal music, chestnuts roasting on an open fire and Santa Claus are all associated with the Christmas Season. These all bring warm feelings to those who celebrate it, but let us not forget.....



Jesus is the Reason for the Season

# December Birthdays

Paula Miller 12/2 LRI  
Paul Mallet 12/5 RPS  
Craig Perrault 12/17 LRI  
Dalton Morrison 12/17 LRI  
Craig Tullos 12/19 RAC  
Dustin Morrison 12/19 RAC

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# SAFETY FIRST

## Be Prepared For Winter

When the weather gets cold, you will develop a drop in body temperature. Excessive drop in body temperature can lead to big problems for workers.

### Cold Weather Tips



**Put on adequate clothing.** Wear several layers of not too tight or too bulky clothing. Always wear a hat and gloves, since ears and fingertips as well as noses are extremely susceptible to frostbite.

**Consume hot and easily digestible food and beverages with higher calories,** like hot milk, soup, noodles and rice. Remember, alcohol actually accelerates the loss of body heat because it dilates blood vessels, so avoid alcoholic beverages.

**Keep the home and workplace environment warm,** but well ventilated.

**If possible, remain indoors or in places with sunlight.** Continue with usual daily activities, but do more exercise to generate heat, improve blood circulation, and maintain flexibility of joints.



### What is hypothermia?

**Hypothermia** is defined as a fall in the core body temperature to below 35 degrees C (95 degrees F). Anyone suspected to be suffering from hypothermia should be taken to see the doctor or taken to the hospital right away.



### What is homeostasis?

**Homeostasis** is the body's process for maintaining an even temperature. The arms and legs are used as a radiator to remove excess heat from the body. This process dilates the blood vessels, allowing more blood to flow to the skin surfaces. When the body temperature drops, these blood vessels constrict, decreasing blood flow, and thereby, heat loss. This is why hands and feet get numb when cold, and why they're particularly vulnerable to frostbite. Since your brain needs oxygen to function, your body can't cut off the flow of blood to your head in order to conserve heat. Consequently, much of your body heat can be lost through an uncovered head and neck.

# That's How I Roll!

Over the years, I've spent numerous hours volunteering my time to many worthwhile causes in this community, as well as the surrounding parishes. Back then, I was the one who set the pace for others to follow. In contrast to my younger self, today I volunteer less and less, require more and more sleep, eat better food, take medicine to assist my aging body, and I perform more mental task than physical labor these days. So what happened? The answer can be summed up in one four letter word – Life. Life is what happened to me. There's still music in my heart, but time has changed the lyrics. Come on all my AARP buddies, let's sing it together. "Oh, the old gray mare, she ain't what she used to be, ain't what she used to be, ain't what she used to be. The old gray mare, she ain't what she used to be, many long years ago."

I had to find a balance between healthy and unhealthy interest, between just right and over doing it. In order to find the right formula, I had to rely on my math skills. I've had to *add* exercise, fiber, blood pressure medication, more frequent routine examinations, rest, and the list goes on and on. Then I had to *subtract* cholesterol, salt, sugar, trans fat, and many, many other great flavor filled seasonings and condiments from my diet. I had to learn to *divide* my meal portions so as to eat in moderation. Then to top it off, I was told to eliminate stressful situations in order to *multiply* my chances of living a long life. Mark Twain summed it up with these words. "The only way to keep your health is to eat what you don't want, drink what you don't like, and do what you'd rather not".

Don't get me wrong, I'm not complaining, just explaining. I like the simple things in life and I've become mellower throughout the years. Where once I was the sprinting rabbit in this rat race we call life, I'm now hanging back like the tortoise, slow and steady.

The words of my daughter are now beginning to resonate in my ear. I was walking to fast when she abruptly said, "Daddy you've got to slow your roll!" Well, now the time has come for me to heed her advice. It's time to get off the high speed, congested interstate and spend time taking in the beauty and slow pace of the scenic back roads.