

Happy Thanksgiving

Driver gets too close for comfort

To the editor:
Last Tuesday I walked to the post office with my dog. On the way home we had just started across the street at the intersection just to the south of my house when I heard the sound of a truck traveling fast. About a half-a-block away and to my right I saw a large pickup moving in my direction. This didn't really worry me since I was half-way across the street and knew he would stop when he got to the intersection.

Wrong.
When he reached the intersection he kept coming and then swerved to the opposite side of the street, passing behind me. When I realized just what he was doing my heart clutched. I had my dog on a leash but she was walking behind me. When I looked back I saw the truck pass about a dog body length away from my dog's tail. The driver did not even look at me as he went by.

The sad thing, this is not that unusual. I've had butt heads in trucks and cars take my right-of-way many times before when I'm walking or riding my bike around town. These drivers act as if the only reason I am in the street is to get in their way. They don't seem to understand that I have as much right to be there as they do. I tell you I'm ready to start filling my pockets with rocks to use as ammunition the next time this happens.

Now, I believe this may be happening because some people do not know the rules of the road so below are some of the rules from the Kansas Driving Handbook.

1. If there are no traffic control signals, drivers must slow down or stop for pedestrians within a marked or unmarked crosswalk.
2. When making a left or right turn at any intersection, drivers must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians before proceeding.
3. After coming to a complete stop at a stop sign, drivers must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians.

Next, it says this about bicycles:

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As a motorist you should realize that the bicyclist has the same rights and responsibilities as you.

Finally, these are some of the rules of the road concerning Right-Of-Way (these right-of-way rules also apply when the other "vehicle" is a bicycle.):

1. The driver of a vehicle approaching an intersection shall yield the right-of-way to a vehicle which has already entered the intersection from a different highway.
2. When two vehicles enter an intersection from different roadways at approximately the same time the

driver on the left shall yield the right-of-way to the vehicle on the right.

3. If you are entering a through street or highway at which there are not stop signs, you must stop completely and proceed when you can do so without interfering with other traffic."

To all you drivers out there - if you promise to follow these rules of the road, I promise not to throw rocks at you.

Colleen Shannon
St. Francis

Reader follows team and town from afar

Letter to the Editor:

I want to thank the Herald for the great Veterans issue of last week. The issue had a lot of things of interest for us to read; information about veterans now living at the Good Samaritan Home, heart breaking loss for the football team, early football history, even news of a card shower for a long ago acquaintance, Ruben Schorzman, and wife Betty, for their 60th anniversary. You did a good job!

Too bad that the week before couldn't have had a favorable Bond Issue report for the high school addition. The school system is the heart and soul of small communities. That news was so sad to read.

Each year when football season comes around, I really pull for the Indians to go for an undefeated year. Saintry has really had some great teams these last few years. Going undefeated is tough in any conference, especially with the playoff programs now in high schools. Of course, I always build my interest in the games when I have relatives, and I have many in the St Francis area, or children of friends, that are playing.

I think there is one more foot-

ball team that needs to be honored in the 'Early team stats.' It was the only other team beside the 1923 team that has gone undefeated at St Francis, the team of 1942-43. They played over 65 years ago. I'm sure some of those players are still alive and remember the year and the games. Most of them went from high school right into the different services and fought for our country for that WWII victory. Names like Ben Andrist, Joe Lundin, Glenn Henderson, Kenneth Topping, Ron Savage, Paul Raile, Joe Shoemaker, Wendell Kite, Dale Schlepp (my brother-in-law), and Neal Reichert (my brother). There were lots of others I can't remember right now. I, as a freshman, was even on the team. My main contribution was cannon fodder in practice, although I did get in two of the games for a total of three plays! The coach - Adrian Miller. He had as assistants, Chester Colwell and Peter Christiansen.

I'm waiting for that third undefeated football team at St Francis High School. Next year is the year. You've got the players and the coaches to do it. GO INDIANS!!

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GOD SAYS

Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all mallice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

Ephesians 4:31, 32



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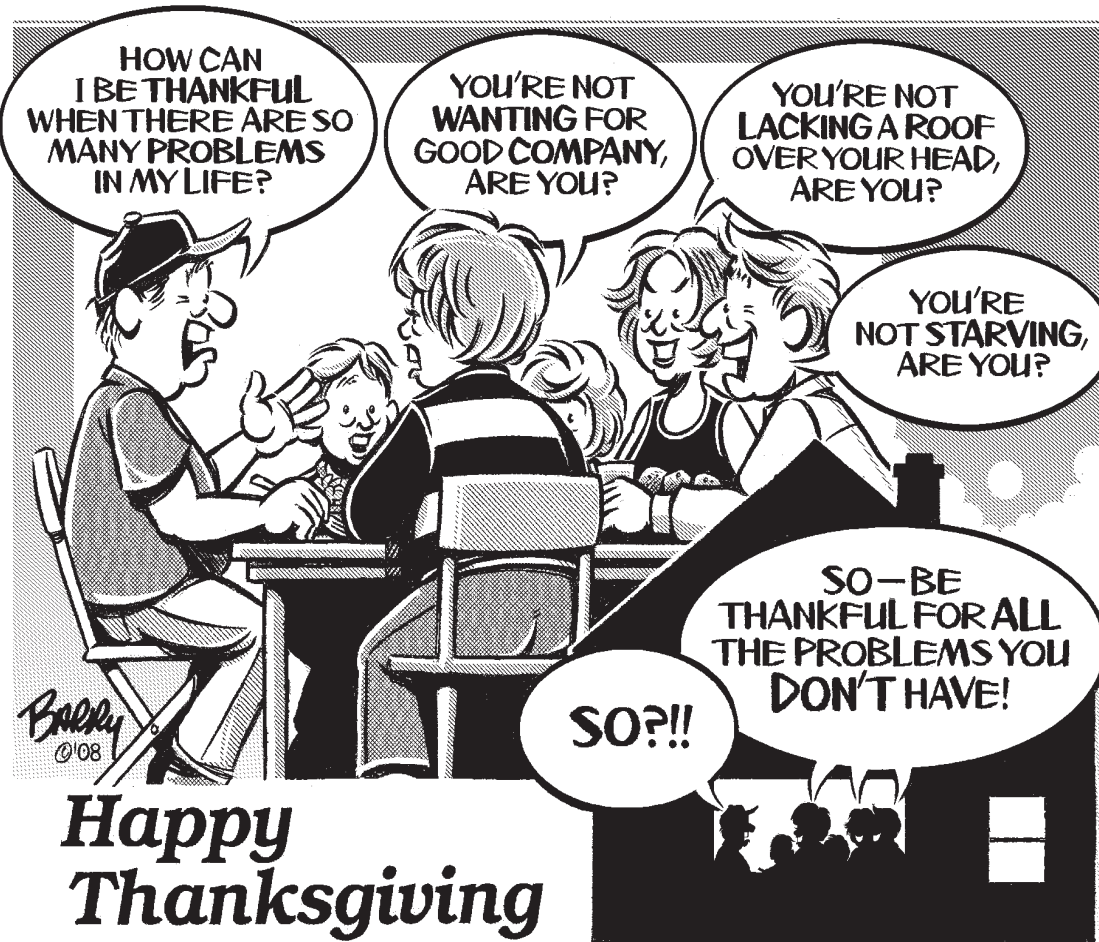
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Hangin' With Marge

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The middle of October, I went to Wichita to help my daughter-in-law with the two grandchildren, Tucker and Sawyer, while we waited for the new baby to arrive. We thought it would be easier on the two little ones if they were used to me when their mother was in the hospital.

It was a wonderful experience. Within just a couple of days the kids were as attached to me as I was to them. When their mom went for a doctor's appointment they were happy to tell her goodbye as we went outside to play.

We raked in the yard, ran races, played with toys and ended up with me swinging both of them in the swings. After about two hours of play, Grandma was ready to go back into the house and read stories to them.

As soon as I mentioned it, they both agreed and Tucker took off for the house. Meanwhile I lifted Sawyer from the swing. She held my hand and we walked as slow as the little 2-year-old wanted to walk.

When we got up the steps and I tried to open the door it was locked. Panic struck me. Here I was in a strange town, didn't know any of the neighbors and it wouldn't have done me any good anyhow as I didn't know what Darrin's or Dina's cell phone numbers were.

I rang the door bell and looking inside I didn't see Tucker anywhere. I wondered if he was even in the house as I hadn't watched, but he certainly wasn't outside in the yard.

I knocked really loud and hollered "Tucker." That's when I saw him peeking around the corner of the wall with this grin on his face. (It reminded me of the same face I had seen about 40 years ago when my son Doug had locked himself in the bathroom and I was standing on a ladder outside the house looking in a window.)

I wondered "What would the super nanny do?"

So I hollered again, with authority in my voice, and I said,

"Tucker, unless you want to go to bed right now, you better let grandma in."

By this time he was laughing all the while he walked to the door and unlocked it. When I got inside I told him I didn't like him doing that.

This was his comment: "Grandma I didn't lock the door — it was Mikes (his imaginary friend that does all the bad things)."

I said, "Well I didn't think it was funny at all!"

Tucker said, "I know, Grandma. I don't know why Mikes keeps doing that, but that is just the way he is."

I had to smile, as this little blonde, curly haired sweetheart had already won my heart four years ago just like his sister, Sawyer, new baby Porter and all the other 16 grandkids I have.

Being a grandmother is truly God's gift when a mother gets older.

Casey's Comments

By
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We're all going through some tough times. The economy is unstable and its affect is felt by everyone.

Also there is uncertainty of what direction our country will go in with the new leadership.

In addition, we live in a dangerous world that seems to grow smaller each day.

But there is plenty of reason for hope. No one can say that our democracy doesn't work. That alone gives us hope for the future.

So with hope in mind, here's my list of what I'm thankful for: A God that provides for me and my family.

A country where I'm free to express my faith and openly follow my beliefs.

A nation where I can write how I feel or think without fear of retribution in this small column each week.

Fantastic public schools where my children are being well prepared for their futures.

A wholesome place to live in

the Heartland of America with the best neighbors around.

A decent paying job that helps to provide for my family, which offers an income for as long as I'm willing to work hard for it.

And last, but certainly not least, I'm grateful for a loving family and many friends, both near and far.

May God bless you and yours on this day of thanks!

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