

The Big Sky and Aggieland Report

Tips, Thoughts, Trivia, and Fun

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Tom's Thoughts >>>



Entrepreneurs Are a Rare Breed

Been thinking about what an experience it has been over the last **25 years**. We started the company, then known as 'RockinB.com Web Innovations', on **11/22/1998**.

That changed to **Big Sky Internet Design** when we moved to Montana. Then we added **Aggieland Website Design** when we moved to Bryan/College Station, Texas.

You know, when it comes to entrepreneurs, I think there is a little bit of **crazy gene** in there. It takes what I call the '**Entrepreneurial Spirit**' to first **take the chance**, then **do what it takes** to make it work. The **challenges** that pop up can sure make you regret the decision and rethink the whole **Be-Your-Own-Boss thing**. A regular paycheck and forgetting about work each night can sound pretty damn good at times!

But, that Entrepreneurial Spirit is strong and in my case I am sure was **bred into me**. My Grandfather owned a Print Shop in Cleveland Ohio. He started it in the 30's in the midst of **The Depression** and was very successful.

I never look back and would not change a thing. How about you? *Til Next Time! Tom*

National Entrepreneurship Month

Who knew that November is National Entrepreneurship Month? Pretty cool to shine a spotlight on the those who fuel innovation, create jobs, and keep our economy humming. Entrepreneurs are the backbone of the country.

Advice for Seasoned Entrepreneurs

- **Stay Adaptive:** Markets evolve, so keep an eye on trends and don't be afraid to pivot. **Stagnation is the enemy and right now this is CRITICAL!**
- **Mentorship Matters:** You've got years of experience, so consider mentoring the younger generation. Their fresh perspective can also **give you new insights**.
- **Work-Life Balance:** Success isn't just about profits; **make time** for yourself and your loved ones. **Burnout** is real, and **balance** is key to **long-term success**. I struggle with this, a lot!

Tips for Aspiring Entrepreneurs

- **Start Small, Think Big:** You don't need a sprawling enterprise to start. Begin with a manageable goal, **test it**, and scale from there.
- **Learn from Failure:** Every setback is a setup for a comeback. Learn from your mistakes, and don't let failure discourage you. **Failing is the key to success!**
- **Networking:** Build a solid network. It can open doors that would otherwise remain closed.

Fostering Youth Entrepreneurship

- **Promote STEM:** Encourage kids to explore **Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math**. These fields are perfect for innovation and entrepreneurship.
- **Financial Literacy:** Teach them about **budgeting, loans, and investments**. A good financial foundation can set them up for entrepreneurial success.
- **Encourage Curiosity:** Whether it's a **lemonade stand** or a high school **coding project**, support their endeavors. It nurtures a mindset of self-reliance and creativity.

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What is ChatGPT Up To Now?

ChatGPT keeps on keeping on! So, **what's new in Version 4?**

It can create images for you! I asked it to create a **horse rearing up over a grizzly bear** and it was pretty spot on! But it never could understand how to make the horse's ears pinned back. Or make a **Word Search** without spelling errors! So it still has a little ways to go, but still pretty amazing.



This is REALLY Crazy! You can talk to it and **have a conversation**. This is only on the ChatGPT App for your Phone. But you can now select the voice you like and have an actual conversation. It knows when you stop talking and then it will reply back to you! **Really a little spooky!**

It can now **browse the web** if you enable 'Browse with Bing'. This allows it to search for any answers that you can find on the internet. Allowing it to **sift through all the clutter** that is out there. This is really awesome and better than Google.

Just think, ChatGPT was not even around 12 months ago!

Dogs & Camping

We love getting away and 'roughing it' with our **Giant Schnauzer Girls!** Plus it makes an awesome time to relax and get out of your head for while!



Sophie chillin out.



Enjoying the Sunrise at Lake Somerville, Texas

Autumn. Word Search

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marshmallow
pumpkin
rosehip
wheat
sunflower
Thanksgiving
acorn
basket
harvest
apple
rowan
mushroom
autumn

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Jolene and Gracie – Best Camping Dogs Ever!

ChatGPT Puns

I couldn't figure out why the baseball kept getting bigger.
Then it hit me.

How do you organize a space party?
You planet.

Did you hear about the cheese factory explosion?
There was nothing left but de-brie.

New Client Spotlight – Welcome!



North Carolina Quarter Horse Assn.
NCQHA.com
Mooresville, North Carolina



Watch this space
next month!

Stallion Service Auctions

National Snaffle Bit Assn	10/1 – 6/24
Women's Professional Rodeo Assn.	10/10 – 11/30
Southern Cutting Futurity	11/1 – 1/31
National Youth Cutting Horse Assn.	11/17 – 12/13
Texas Quarter Horse Assn. (Race)	12/1 – 1/11
Cowboy State Stallion Incentive	12/1 – 1/27
Speedhorse	12/1 – 2/5
Quarter Horse Racing Association of Indiana	12/8 – 1/14
National Reined Cow Horse Association	12/11 – 1/10
Alberta Reined Cow Horse Assn.	12/15 – 1/15
Oklahoma Quarter Horse Racing Assn.	12/15 – 1/26
Colorado Classic Stallion Incentive	1/1 – 1/20
Pacific Coast Cutting Horse Assn.	1/3 – 1/17
Texas Quarter Horse Assn. (Barrels)	1/8 – 2/9
Southwest Desert Classic	1/15 – 2/15

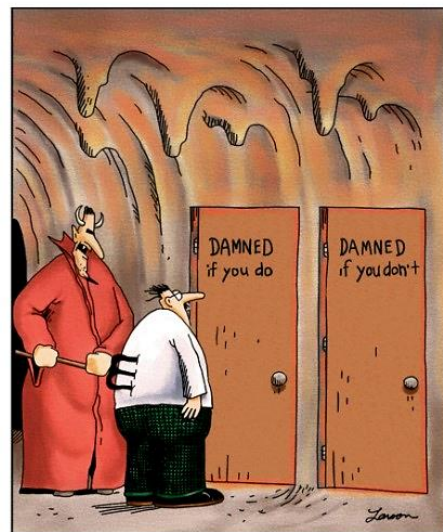
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Thanksgiving Turkey Tips!

Prep Like a Pro

- **Brine Time:** Soak your turkey in a brine mixture for at least 8 hours before cooking. It keeps the meat juicy and flavorful.
- **Room Temp:** Take the turkey out of the fridge an hour before cooking. It'll cook more evenly if it's not super cold.

Cooking Wisdom

- **Roasting Rack:** Use one. It helps air circulate around the turkey, cooking it more evenly.
- **Oven Temp:** Start high (around 425°F) for the first 30 minutes to crisp the skin, then lower it to around 350°F for the remaining time.
- **Basting:** Keep the turkey moist by basting it with its own juices every 30 to 45 minutes.
- **Aluminum Foil:** If the skin is getting too brown, cover it with aluminum foil to prevent burning.

Final Touches

- **Check Temp:** Use a meat thermometer. Your turkey is done when the thickest part of the thigh reaches 165°F.
- **Resting:** Let it rest for at least 20 minutes before carving. This keeps it juicy.

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