

TO: dennis9743@msn.com

Dennis, would you pass this on please. Thanks, Hap

Thanks For Small Victories....9-24-20....Hap Hansen

Today, I write about many small victories and those things for which I am thankful as I approach my 85th birthday.

Thanks for being able to play an occasional round of golf and for having healthy children and grandchildren. There are many other small victories for which I am thankful and I observe almost every day:

—for my grandchildren who may not be doing their signed chores and are watching TV because it means they are at home and not on the streets,

—for the taxes I pay because it means I can participate in the American way,

—for windows that need cleaning, carpeting that needs vacuuming and dishes to be washed because it means I have a home,

—for all the complaining my friends and I do about the Government because it means we have freedom of speech,

—for my shadow that follows me when I walk because it means I am capable of enjoying the sunshine,

—for being able to vote for the candidate of my choice because it means we live in a Democracy,

—for the mess I have to clean up after a party because it means I have friends,

—for the clothes that fit a little too snug because it means I have enough to eat,

—for the parking spot I find at the far end of the parking lot because it means I am capable of walking and am still able to drive a car,

—for my heating and cooling bills because it means I am warm in the winter and cool in the summer,

—for the lady behind me in church who sings loudly and off-key because it means I am capable of hearing,

—for the pile of laundry and ironing because it means i have clothes to wear.

—for the alarm that goes off in the morning because it means i am still alive.,

—for all the aches and pains i endure because it means I am neither wheel-chair bound nor bedridden.

Thank you for all these victories.