You might have missed the story in the papers about a winning Powerball ticket sold at the Cenex store in Wanamingo. Yup, I had the winning ticket. I called my accountant and he said to me the same thing my dad would have said, "Don't spend it all in one place." That's going to be hard to do as it's hard to get much with my \$4 in winnings. Maybe next time I'll win a bit more.



Have you ever started cleaning out the garage or attic or that storage area and get slowed down because you have to look at every little thing in a box? When I get to some old memorabilia or old pictures it can take me a few hours to get back to the task at hand. Well I did the same thing when I started looking at some old emails. I had some that dated back to 2005. I have a folder devoted to emails from my Uncle Earl because he sends some very funny stuff. On the left is a 2016 picture of my Uncle Earl and his late wife Charlene.

Here's an example of what he sent me. There were comments made in the year 1955:

'I'll tell you one thing, if things keep going the way they are, it's going to be impossible to buy a week's groceries for \$20.00.'

'Have you seen the new cars coming out next year? It won't be long before \$2,000 will only buy a used one.'

'Did you hear the post office is thinking about charging a dime just to mail a letter?'

'If they raise the minimum wage to \$1.00, nobody will be able to hire outside help at the store.'

'When I first started driving, who would have thought gas would someday cost 29 cents a gallon. Guess we'd be better off leaving the car in the garage.'

'I read the other day where some scientist thinks it's possible to put a man on the moon by the end of the century. They even have some fellows they call astronauts preparing for it down in Texas.'

'Did you see where some baseball player just signed a contract for \$75,000 a year just to play ball? It wouldn't surprise me if someday they'll be making more than the President.'

'It's too bad things are so tough nowadays. I see where a few married women are having to work to make ends meet.'

'It won't be long before young couples are going to have to hire someone to watch their kids so they can both work.'

'Thank goodness I won't live to see the day when the Government takes half our income in taxes. I sometimes wonder if we are electing the best people to congress.'

'The drive-in restaurant is convenient in nice weather, but I seriously doubt they will ever catch on.'

'No one can afford to be sick anymore; at \$35 a day in the hospital it's too rich for my blood.'

'If they think I'll pay 50 cents for a haircut, forget it.'

That was 1955. My Uncle Earl also sent me these quotes from people who play golf and those people like me who attempt to play golf. Here are some examples:

I was three over. One over a house, one over a patio, and one over a swimming pool - George Brett

The only sure rule in golf is; he who has the fastest cart never has to play the bad lie - Mickey Mantle

After all these years, it's still embarrassing for me to play on the American golf tour. Like the time I asked my caddie for a sand wedge and he came back ten minutes later with a ham on rye - Chi Chi Rodriguez

The ball retriever is not long enough to get my putter out of the tree - Brian Weis

Swing hard in case you hit it - Dan Marino

My favorite shots are the practice swing and the conceded putt. The rest can never be mastered - Lord Robertson

Give me golf clubs, fresh air and a beautiful partner, and you can keep the clubs and the fresh air - Jack Benny

Professional golf is the only sport where, if you win 20% of the time, you're the best - Jack Nicklaus

I never pray on a golf course. Actually, the Lord answers my prayers everywhere except on the course - Billy Graham

If you watch a game, it's fun. If you play at it, it's recreation. If you work at it, it's golf - Bob Hope

While playing golf today I hit two good balls. I stepped on a rake - Henny Youngman

If you think it's hard to meet new people, try picking up the wrong golf ball - Jack Lemmon

You can make a lot of money in this game. Just ask my ex-wives. Both of them are so rich that neither of their husbands work - Lee Trevino

I'm not saying my golf game went bad, but if I grew tomatoes, they'd come up sliced - Lee Trevino

I'm not sure who said it first but I remember Morgan Mundane on WCCO saying that golf is a good walk ruined. And finally, after about 2 ½ hours and only getting through about a dozen emails I found these gems. I hope they give you a smile:

One day a little girl was sitting and watching her mother do the dishes at the kitchen sink. She suddenly noticed that her mother had several strands of white hair sticking out in contrast on her brunette head. She looked at her mother and inquisitively asked, 'Why are some of your hairs white, Mum?' Her mother replied, 'Well, every time that you do something wrong and make me cry or unhappy, one of my hairs turns white.' The little girl thought about this revelation for a while and then said, 'Mummy, how come ALL of grandma's hairs are white?'

A Sunday school teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with her five and six year olds. After explaining the commandment to 'honour' thy Father and thy Mother, she asked, 'Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?' Without missing a beat one little boy (the oldest of a family) answered, 'Thou shall not kill.'

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray: 'Take only ONE. God is watching.'

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note, 'Take all you want. God is watching the apples.'

