

MANY YEARS AGO WHEN MY DAD WAS TRYING TO RAISE A GOOD, HONEST, RESOURCEFUL AND MOST OF ALL RESPONSIBLE KIND OF A YOUNG MAN, HE LEFT ME WITH A GOOD DEAL OF PEARLS OF WISDOM...IN HIS OWN WORDS.

ONE THAT I THOUGHT WORTHY OF REPEATING TODAY, WAS, IT IS HARD TO SOAR WITH EAGLES WHEN YOU ARE SURROUNDED BY TURKEY'S .

SO, AFTER A SMALL TRIP OUT OF TOWN THIS PAST WEEK WITH MRS. J, WE RETURNED TO OUR HUMBLE ABODE ON THE WEST SIDE WHERE OUR OLDEST SON HAD TAKEN CARE OF THE ANIMALS, THE MAIL, NEWSPAPERS AND GENERAL SAFETY OF OUR HOME. SITTING IN ALL IN THE RIGHT PLACES WERE THE THINGS I GRAB FIRST...MAIL, THEN THE NEWSPAPERS. I MIGHT MENTION THAT WE GOT HOME AFTER DARK AND WERE DRAGGING FROM A 7 PLUS HOUR DAY IN THE CAR. AS I STARTED TO PICK UP THE SATURDAY TIMES STANDARD, THE PAGE PROMPTED ANOTHER OF POP'S THEORIES AND IT BEGAN TO POPULATE WITH MY FIRST MENTIONED PEARL OF WISDOM. DAD ALWAYS WANTED HIS BAD NEWS IN THE MORNING, NEVER AT NIGHT BEFORE HE HIT THE HAY. THIS RAN THROUGH MY HEAD SO QUICK, I TOOK THE AFOREMENTIONED PAPER AND PUT IT DOWN TILL THE MORNING. WHY, YOU MIGHT ASK? WELL, ON THAT FRONT PAGE WAS A RATHER LARGE PICTURE OF SEVEN,

WANNABEE AND ARE NOW COUNCILMEMBERS. I AM SURE YOU SAW IT. NOW, NOBODY LIKES A PARADE MORE THAN ME, JUST ASK A LOCAL REAL ESTATE BROKER. BUT THAT'S WHAT I SAW. A PARADE OF CANDIDATES FOR CITY COUNCIL WHO WERE CLAIMING THAT SOME, OR ALL OF THEM, HAD BEEN SLIGHTED SOMEWHERE ALONG THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL. GEE, SHUCKY DARN. HAVING BEEN SLAMMED AND BEAT UP MYSELF IN MY TWO CAMPAIGNS, LET ME JUST TELL THEM, YOU HAVEN'T SEEN ANYTHING. IN THE FIRST PLACE EVERYONE KNOWS WHAT THEY ARE GETTING INTO ...POLITICS...HELLO, AND WE ALL KNOW THAT EVERYONE PROMISES TO BE A GREAT BIG HOWDY DOODY ALONG THE WAY. SOLUTION: EVERYBODY HAS A FRONT DOOR AND A BACK DOOR, AND A KITCHEN. IF THE HEAT IS TOO MUCH...YOU KNOW THE REST OF THE STORY.

IF THIS WASN'T WHAT SOME PEOPLE CALL, A BIG OLE CAMPAING STRAGEGY, GULP, IT WAS STILL A PARADE AND IT MADE EVERYONE LOOK BAD...JUST SAYING, AS THE YOUNG FOLKS SAY. I TRULY SUPPORT THOSE THAT DIDN'T DIGNIFY THE SO CALLED RESOLUTION WITH THEIR SIGNAUTRE. GOOD FOR YOU.

SO, DAD, ANOTHER ONE FOR YOU, AS I DON'T EVER PLAN TO FLY WITH TURKEY'S AGAIN. EVEN HERB TARLICK KNOWS TURKEY'S CAN'T FLY.

THIS HAS BEEN MIKE JONES FOR COMMUNITY COMMENT.