

Paper Mystery

Things seem to happen to me. Some things are good like friends and books and some things are bad like snakes and tent-worms. One of the latest ones is just bizarre.

I get a Parkersburg paper every Sunday. I have a son who goes to work early every Sunday morning, picks the paper up from the driveway, and pitches it halfway up the sidewalk.

On November 13th (which was a few months ago) I looked out the front door and saw no paper. I trekked down the sidewalk and there was no paper in the driveway either. HMMM!!! I am not a happy camper.

I came in the house and called my son at work. I asked him if he had seen my paper. He said, "No."

I said, "Bummer." I asked him to bring me a paper home after work. He did. He's a good son. Actually, he brought two papers, one from Parkersburg and one from Charleston as he wasn't sure which one I really did get on Sundays.

Okay. So now I had coupons and T.V. guides from two papers and all is well. Now here comes the fun part. About two weeks later (and by the way, I got a paper on the 20th of November) as Frank was walking back to the barn looking for the white cat, that he hadn't seen in a few days, he spotted something. It was something light colored and it was halfway back to our barn and halfway up (and I do mean up as this IS West Virginia) into our hay field. His curiosity got the best of him and he picked up a soggy but intact November 13th Sunday paper!! How it got there we will never know. He brought it in and dropped it in front of the woodstove. It was still in its plastic sleeve but was so wet that it must have weighed ten pounds.

It took days for it to dry spread out all over our front living room in front of the woodstove but dry it did. The paper was put into a box that I keep the papers in that I use for starting fires in the woodstove. But the coupons were safe and sent to various assorted homes.

So, all is well that ends well. But wait a minute. Wait a minute. I have a question. How did the Sunday paper end up in the hay field? If you have an answer please let me know.

Until February 14th --happy heart month, and on the 14th Happy Valentine's Day.
See you in March.