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**NOBODY ASKED ME, BUT ...****Unsettling news about Alice's**

...did anyone else hear that the City Council denied the renewal of the contract for Alice's Breakfast in the Park because the city wants to permit liquor and beer to be sold there? I heard that a big chain wants to put an establishment in place of Alice's... and get more revenue from the sales tax that will be generated. The heck with the people who are there now. The City Council may change its mind after the November election. Remember, we the people still own the park. And just be extra careful for whom you vote.

...don't you think that the residents of the Gulf Coast deserve all the help that our federal government can generate? Most of the people of this benevolent country would even consider a slight tax increase if we can be assured that every penny went to all and only the people of the endangered sites and not some phony bureaucrat.

...I received many letters and e-mails last week concerning the vote we will have to record next November about the legalization of marijuana. The communications seemed evenly split. I must say, if we have never tried any forms of illegal drugs and never will try any of them, why are we concerned about those that do? If pot heads want to use marijuana, let their tax money help our school system.

...just received my first bill for the 31 days I spent in the hospital last month. It included everything until June 30. The bill was for \$147,510. The only amount I had to pay was \$250 -

the charge for my admission to the hospital. And some of those politicians in Washington don't want the people, who they supposedly represent, to have medical insurance. I wouldn't know what to do if I had to pay the bill.



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