



Hi Anyone, how are you today? We moved into our new place on June 1st. Heike showed us the different things that we might need to know for dwelling here, like the heating system, and the fuse box, etc... she introduced us to the two cats that we now take care of and then she packed her car and drove off.

We just laughed at the situation. We still cant really believe we have a base. At the same time it is fairly casual, though, not, we have generally put in, 10 hour days, or longer, mostly in the garden. In between we have put alot of our stuff away and organized other stuff, cleared masses of roots and high grass, from other areas around here, and we have made nice food

enjoyed good wine and cheese, and entertained our first guests.



*High grass, coffee and red wine*

*... back to work*



Jan and Nina stopped in on their way from somewhere to somewhere, and Laurie and Johna who are also on their Euro summer tour, stopped in for a few days and enjoyed this new place.



*Nina's and Jan's truck on the road*



*Imi, Lauri, Jona, Brady*

Erwin our neighbor pulled the circus wagon off the big flat bed truck when it arrived a few days after us, Thanks Erwin. For now we have parked it in front of the house since it was full of our stuff, most of which went up into the attic. Later we will park it in the back of the property, and live in it sometimes.



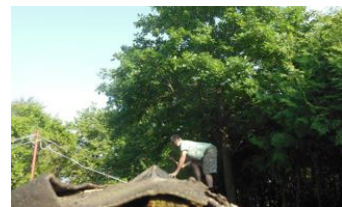
*All our new neighbors were helping to get the wagon into our place*

Anyhoot somehow we are sort of not in our normal element of gypsy-izm, things are different now, that's not bad, in fact we are closer to just being normal citizens of our capitalistic world, or lucky westerners as I like to put it. At the same time we are in our element, as we both enjoy the great outdoors.



*The mayor gave us his trailer after we burned a lot of wet wood, and we got our 1<sup>st</sup> complaints.*

We are observing many things along this way, and I am trying to be more compliant in my social world, as I have seen how it was for the Indians when they did not conform to what society was doing. The small rebel side of me say's no! if you don't feel good about it, don't do it. So sometimes I do things, and sometimes I don't do things.



*sometimes I don't do things.*

*And Sometimes I do things*

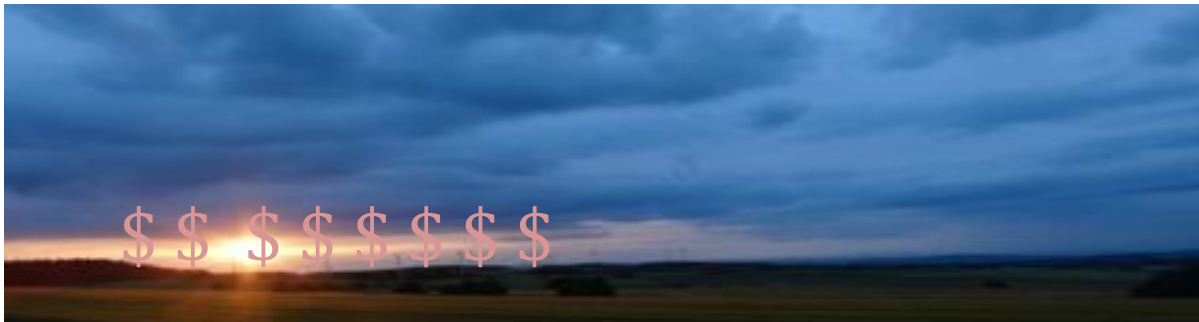
And it is strange getting and continuing to get older, part of me wants to hold onto and not lose the friends I have made thru out life, the other part thinks whatever.

But no really, Collectively today's society is not really encouraging I mean I know everyone cares, that's for sure, and everyone cares especially if someone makes a mistake, then they really let you know they care. Or they pull away, and close up, and act busy. Actually they don't act, they just are busy. Hey! I am busy.



*But we are busy, too. Chopping wood, emptying storage places, driving and eating.....*

And it might not even be if one makes a mistake its just that we are all Busy making money,(living our lives) and SURVIVING!!! or just trying to feel good about making so much money! All of me, and all of you are living on this earth, and doing our things, and nothing or no-one ever said we have to be a certain way, at least not nowadays, maybe before when religion was so powerful. Religion don't run us now, we run religion, and money is our new religion, actually its an old religion.. and I am repeating what has already been said, though I cant quote the sources name. Lets just call him Brady for now.



*Nice sunset....*

I observed that some things in the western world are not that much different than in other not so western worlds when it comes to economy, just smaller numbers. I was not surprised to hear that the women in Bangladesh were paid roughly 38\$ a month for their hard work making cloths for us. I didn't do anything about it, except to feel sad. I also thought "WoW" My Show Is So Big. But know really, its humungous!.... just monster!.



*Our ladder collection, one of our cats, one of the 4 cherry trees needs some trimming....*

So the weeks rolled by some of them rainy, some of them sunny, and Irmi and I managed to get most of the garden dug up and ready for new plants, and we planted some new plants, for example red beets, and radishes, and sweet peas, also some pumpkin and zucchini seeds went into the ground. We made 3 new compost sites, and filled them generously. The last one having no borders, just sprawling out in a long thick line of dirt and roots and grass, and compost-able material.



*Planting, resting, making firewood for the winter.... e.t.c.....*

During our time here our neighbor Uwe has been dealing with first the sickness of his sweetheart, and then the passing of his sweetheart. They have goats and a cute house, and cats. Now she is dead and he must move on to the next thing in his life, which will be for him to move back to Duisburg. So Uwe has been giving us alot of farm and garden equipment. we also bought some gas and electric machines that Uwe gave us good prices on.

*.....Sitting with Uwe by the fire....*



