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## Weekly connection

# A new puppy on the farm

I have always loved dogs. Growing up we had some great canine companions. One was named Lassie and she lived around the time when the television show by the same name was going strong. Our Lassie was as loyal as any dog could ever be. She was always with us boys as we explored the woods, walked out to the pasture to bring up the cows for milking, or worked in the fields. She used to trot along behind the tractor and plow in the dead furrow back and forth around the field all day long while we worked in the field tilling up the soil the old-fashioned way.

Sadly, Lassie came to an untimely end one warm summer day. I remember it quite clearly even though I was only eight years old. She was with us as she always was in the field as we were baling hay that day. We each had a job to do when it was haymaking time. Someone was mowing the alfalfa with a sickle mower using our old Ford Jubilee. Somebody else was running the freshly cut alfalfa through the crimper/conditioner with the Super M to get the juice out. Another person was



By **SCOTT CERNEK**  
Columnist

raking the dry hay with the M. We had the 706 IH on the baler with someone driving and someone stacking the wagon. Then, of course, others were hauling wagons up to the barn and unloading them onto the elevator and a couple people were up in the hay mow stacking. It was quite an operation when all of this was working like a finely tuned machine. It took all six of us boys, my Dad, Grandpa, and usually a few cousins to make it go.

Lassie loved to hunt and kill small animals like wood chucks, squirrels, raccoons, rabbits, and opossums. Many times, she would hunt at night and leave the bodies outside the front door for us to stumble on in the early morning hours. This day she was out there with us making hay, as she

usually always was, when she caught sight of a rabbit and decided to take a short cut under the baler to catch her prey. The plunger arm came around and caught her and she was killed. It was a sad day as all of us had to continue to work with tears running down our cheeks that afternoon. We had an emotional funeral for her that night after chores.

Dogs have always been a part of my life. We have had a couple really wonderful Labrador retrievers in recent years. Our five-year-old Duke likes to hop in the truck with me every day when I go to get dairy cow feed. He stands on the floor looking out the windshield like he's big stuff. Recently, we added a new puppy to keep Duke company. Her mother is a purebred Akbash Turkish herding dog. I'm hoping she'll help bring the cows up from the pasture someday. Duke has taken to her very nicely. We call her Duchess, Dutchie for short, so now we have a Duke and a Duchess. I'm sure she is going to be a fine farm dog.

I've heard it said that one can tell a lot about a person by how he treats a dog. The Bible agrees. Proverbs 12:10 says "Whoever is righteous has regard for the life of his beast." I don't claim to be righteous except through the righteousness of my Savior, who was perfect. II Corinthians 5:21 says "He who knew no sin became sin for us that we might become the righteousness of God." That means when we place our faith and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, His perfection covers us, and we are free to live in relationship with God. That's some great stuff and available for any and everyone who wants true joy and peace in their life. Until next week, God bless.



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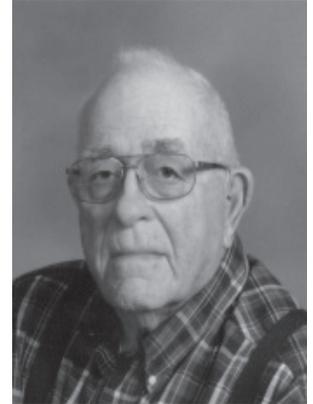
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# How to keep good employees happy and reap the business benefits

While many business owners say that the first rule of a successful company is keeping customers happy, studies show that also keeping employees happy is critical to the whole process.

The better a business owner and upper management treat good employees, the more committed and engaged they will be to perform at a consistently high level and do their part to help make the business successful.

"The big key to business success is the productivity level of your employees and the culture in which they operate," says Paul Trapp (www.eventprep.com), founding owner/CEO of EventPrep, Inc., a full-service meeting planning and management company, and co-author with Stephen Davis of *Prep for Success: The Entrepreneur's Guide to Achieving Your Dreams*.

"Employee happiness results directly in success and goes hand-in-hand with company culture. The primary focus of leadership in that culture should be making sure their employees are happy, safe, respected, and making a competitive

wage."

If you get it right with your employees, Trapp and Davis say, they'll get it right with the customer.

"It's simple, really," says Davis, who is EventPrep's founding owner/president/COO.

"The folks you bring on board are going to spend a significant amount of time with their work family, so why wouldn't the people running the business want it to be a cool place to work, and why wouldn't they want it to be the most productive place they could possibly make it?"

Trapp and Davis explain the key factors that find the right employees and keep them happy and productive:

## Recruiting

"You've got to get the right people first, the people with the qualities that make for a passionate, productive worker who contributes to a positive culture," Davis says. "Recruiting is about connecting with people and connecting them with their passion, their purpose, and enabling them to reach their potential. Recruiting isn't an event, but a

process, and sometimes finding the right person for a particular job can take months or even years. You're always looking, listening, assessing and asking questions — and really getting to know the person you may hire."

## Establishing a culture

"You want people to want to come to work, and to do that you want people to work in the culture you're creating," Trapp says. "Culture is created at the top and cascades downward. What values and ethics do you have as a business owner that can make employees passionately want to be a part of that culture?"

Investing in them. "Investing in your people raises their performance and strengthens their commitment, but it means far more than giving them raises," Davis says. "It's about making them feel like a part of your family, including giving them compassion and understanding when they need it most. Employees in turn embrace that kind of culture and own it. That's what you want — a self-perpetuating work culture where everyone feels cared for and

important."

## Recognizing them

"Keeping people happy and encouraging them to want to stay isn't magic," Trapp says. "Just as important as recruiting the right talent, business owners and leaders need to make the culture attractive and sustainable in order to retain the right talent. Retaining is about recognizing and celebrating, showing gratitude and appreciation. Recognizing employees for exceptional work, and giving them a cash bonus or special trip, is a key element toward retaining them."

"A happy employee who's engaged and connected, who wants to be there every day, makes the workplace a better place and a stronger business," Davis says.

## About Paul Trapp

Paul Trapp is a founding owner/CEO of EventPrep, Inc. (www.eventprep.com), a full-service meeting planning and management company that supports 16 franchises across the U.S. He is co-author of the book *Prep for Success: The Entrepreneur's Guide to Achieving Your Dreams*. Trapp is a former

senior military leader who served as chief of recruiting for the Army National Guard and holds over 30 years of experience in contract management, event planning, and organizing conferences, seminars, and meetings.

## About Stephen Davis

Stephen Davis is a founding owner/president/COO of EventPrep, Inc., and co-author of *Prep for Success: The Entrepreneur's Guide to Achieving Your Dreams*. Davis is a multi-state operations director who focuses on conference development, implementation, management, and conference design. He currently serves as a chief warrant officer and CID special agent in the Army Reserves. Davis deployed twice in support of the global war on terrorism. In 2016, Davis and Paul Trapp launched Federal Conference, Inc., which provided professional event planning and management services to the government and commercial marketplaces. Federal Conference, Inc., twice was a two-time Inc. 500 award recipient and executes over 3,000 events annually around the world.

## Just me, Kate

By Kate Ziehm  
MORNING AG CLIPS PRESIDENT

Today, is Positive Thinking Day  
Yes, there seems to be a day for everything now.

I personally love National Donut Day, Chocolate Day, and Ice Cream Day...as I am always looking for an excuse to indulge.

## Positive Thinking Day

But I even like the designated days that don't revolve around food. Like a great quote, I use them as a gentle reminder.

Positive Thinking Day. A reminder. Something to ponder.

First of all, I am going to let you in on a little secret.  
(I don't wake up feeling positive

most mornings. Yes. MOST mornings.)

There is this 5 minute window of time that happens somewhere between the awareness of being awake and me getting myself out of bed where I feel down right grumbly and negative at pretty much anything that enters my mind. Isn't that pathetic?!

Yes! It is! It's downright embarrassing. With all of the blessings in my life I have no reason to feel anything but positive when I wake up. So why does this happen to me? Does it happen to you?

It's not really until I have laid there in bed for 5 minutes or so grasping for good thoughts and reasons that I

am finally able to get my act together and start being the happy and positive person that I really am.

So why am I sharing this?

I am sharing this because positive thinking is a choice, every day. For all of us.

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# Byron's Chiropractor... in Oregon

## Dr. Cates Appointed to Chiropractic Scientific Guideline Commission

The Scientific Commission of the Council on Chiropractic Guidelines and Practice Parameters (CCGPP) has selected Dr. Jeffrey Cates to serve as a national expert in creating Clinical Practice Guidelines for Chiropractic Management of Patients with Chronic Musculoskeletal Pain. The group of experts employ a Delphi process where researched is reviewed and rated. The experts review the research data and establish medical practice guideline consensus for best practice procedures.

The purpose of the Scientific Commission is to advise CCGPP on issues related to searching, identifying, interpreting and compiling the scientific evidence related to chiropractic care and to collaborate as appropriate on the development, publication, dissemination and utilization of guidelines and care pathways.

## Scientific Commission

Chair: Cheryl Hawk, DC, PhD

Commission members: Shireesh Bhalerao, MCR, DC, CCSP; Jeffrey Cates, DC, MS, DABCO, DABCC; Clinton Daniels, DC, MS, DAAPM; Jordan Gliedt, DC, FASA; Dana Lawrence, DC, MMedEd, MA; Ronald LeFebvre, MA, DC; Amy Minkalis, DC, MS; Michael Sheppard, DC; Sheryl Walters, MLS.

Dr. Cates has worked with the CCGPP for several decades and has published works that include several medical journal articles on quality assurance and standards of care in healthcare. He is co-author of the CCGPP low-back chapter and lead author of the chapter on thoracic disorders of the profession's best practice guideline text. Dr. Cates' published works are included in the medical literature. He maintains a private practice of chiropractic orthopedics in Oregon, IL.



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# Slices of life

# Sweet Saturday

Monday morning comes along almost every seven days or so and the workweek looms ahead. Five. Long. Days. Standing at the end, however, is Saturday. Sweet, unencumbered, unscheduled Saturday. A day to sleep in. A day of freedom.

On Monday morning, I think about the evening and the chores I will accomplish. I will get things done that can't get done during the workday. Errands. Home repairs. A need to clean the fridge. My list is long, but I figure I can knock a project or two out of the park.

Monday evening rolls around and somehow at 7 p.m. my plans for projects don't seem as necessary as they did at 7 a.m. And besides, there's always Saturday. I can clean the fridge on Saturday. Sweet Saturday.

Tuesday rolls its eyes at the rest of the week, which remains plentiful. There is much time to get much done. My morning ideals

involve an evening spent sorting through the junk drawer; it's been nearly a year since I did that and you know how junk multiplies.

The day unfolds and I find myself in the middle of Tuesday evening and I hardly have the time or energy to help with dinner prep and cleanup. I decide I deserve a rest and the junk drawer can wait. There's always Saturday, after all. And I don't have much going on Saturday, except for plans to sleep in.

Wednesday – hump day. We all know how this is going to unfold, don't we? My plans for getting ahead on the laundry sounded so good at 10 a.m.; but by dinnertime, not so much. Plus (you're already ahead of me here, aren't you?) why not just do it on Saturday?

What a joke. But a true one. My weeks unfold this way. Saturday seems like a great big expanse of time –



By **JILL PERTLER**  
Contributor

24 whole and long hours – when it is three or four days away. I can get so very, very much done on Saturday. No need to worry about procrastination on the weekdays. Sweet unencumbered Saturday can conquer anything.

By Friday I am feeling the heat. I realize I have stacked activity and chore and task one on top of the other in anticipation of Sweet Saturday and there is no way, no how I will be able to get all the tasks on my to-do list checked off as done. I realize sleeping in may be a dream because my Saturday is no longer unencumbered.

Sigh. So on Friday I kick it into top gear. I attempt to dive into the tasks I've been putting off all week so that Saturday can remain sweet. I launder. I make muffins out of the brown bananas so they

don't go to waste. I vacuum and make a partial attempt at cleaning out the junk drawer. I even make dinner.

By the end of the day (evening) I am exhausted. It's been a week.

And then Saturday rolls around. Sweet Saturday. I still have a lengthy to-do list, but I decide to sleep in anyway. Besides, who's going to see my dirty fridge? And junk drawers are so named for a reason. Saturdays are meant

to be Saturdays. Encumbering them with anything other than an empty to-do list is more bitter than sweet, and I'll take sweet any day of the week – but especially on Saturday.

*Jill Pertler is an award-winning syndicated columnist, published playwright, author and member of the National Society of Newspaper Columnists. Don't miss a slice; follow the Slices of Life page on Facebook.*

## • Positive (Continued from page 3)

My choice as I lay there in bed is to let the bad or the good into my brain. Sometimes it seems to be more of a wrestling match than others, but I assure you, one of them will always prevail.

We humans have to thwart off all of those negative thoughts that come our way during the day so that the tiny little sunshiny voices can infiltrate into our minds, and bring the balance of good back into our orbit. Let me tell you, some days it can be hard. Right?

The power of positive thinking

is immeasurable though, that is proven. We just have to harness that power through more intentional daily practice.

I challenge you today to think about this as it pertains to you. Are your thoughts filled with the can't, won't, awful's, what-ifs every day?

Is there an opportunity to find the high's in your circumstances rather than the lows?

I realize we are all dealt different cards and put into varying degrees of difficult situations every day but ask yourself when faced with these challenges if there is a silver lining that can be found? A good thought that can be brought to the surface?

Remember, it's a choice. Whether you are like me and give yourself the pep talk in bed every morning or need to talk yourself through it during the day, you are the only one that holds that power to positively think. You.

So go forth my friends, and find the positivity in your day—at least on this National Day of Positive Thinking!

As always, I pray that you all stay well.

*With Love, Kate*

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365433

**REAL ESTATE AUCTION**Having decided to liquidate the following property, the owners will offer at public auction the following described commercial property, formerly a church. This auction will be held on-site at 13741 E. Flagg Rd., Rochelle, IL 61068. Visit our website at [www.bearrows.com](http://www.bearrows.com) for further information & pictures.

Thursday, Feb. 27, 2020 • 5:30 PM (auction held on-site)

**DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE:** So many possibilities! Very large spacious building located on Flagg Rd. across from Rochelle Township High, Middle School, bike path! Sanctuary plus large gathering room, kitchen, dining area, offices, nursery, classrooms, 4 bathrooms, loads of storage rooms plus more! Great square footage and large lot 2.43+ acres! Can't beat the price or the location! Past use was a religious facility, buyer needs to contact City of Rochelle for any/all allowable future zoning uses! **For a private viewing, contact Auctioneer John Bearrows at 815-739-9150.**

**REAL ESTATE TERMS:** \$5,000.00 down the day of the auction, with the balance due on or before March 31, 2020 possession will be given. The seller is ready and prepared to close as soon after the auction as you would like. Seller is to provide an appropriate stamped deed as well as a title policy in the amount of the purchase price. This property is being conveyed in its "As-Is" condition without any contingencies with regard to financing and/or the sale of another piece of property. All announcements made the day of the auction take precedence over all prior advertising.

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365348

**LAND AUCTION**

330 Acres MOL • Ogle County Farm Land

Thursday, Feb. 6, 2020 • 10 AM

**LAND LOCATION:** 5922 E. Holcomb Rd., Oregon, IL. These parcels are all located in the same area and are adjacent. For more information, contact Auctioneer John Bearrows at 815-562-5113 or 815-739-9150.

**AUCTION LOCATION:** For your comfort and convenience this auction will be held offsite, indoors at the Bearrows Auction Center, 10786 E. Fowler Rd., Rochelle, IL 61068. Watch for Bearrows Real Estate & Auction signs off Rt. #251 & Flagg Blacktop just north of Rochelle, IL. Visit our website at [www.bearrows.com](http://www.bearrows.com) for further information and full color pictures, or contact Auctioneer John Bearrows for more information.

**AUCTIONEERS NOTE:** This property will be offered in several parcels from 6.5 to 195 acres. Parcels will be tillable, some pastureland, and a home site with cattle facility and an impeccably maintained 50's ranch home. All announcements made day of the auction take precedence over any and all prior statements and/or advertising.

**PROPERTY DESCRIPTIONS:** Parcel 1: Approx. 6.5 acre homesite with cattle feeding set-up, 3 silos, loafing shed and a 1900 sq. ft. story and 1/2 home, very well kept.; Parcel 2: Approx. 195 Acres, without any improvements, and a PI# 125; Parcel 3: Approx. 20 acre recreational site with creek, some tillable land, and access from Holcomb Rd.; Parcel 4: 37 Acres+- with access on the north edge across Tract 5 onto Stillman Blacktop. This parcel is located West of parcel 5 and has a PI# 135; Parcel 5: 37+- Acres with access on Stillman Blacktop. This parcel is located east of parcel 4 and has a PI# 134.

**TERMS AND CONDITION OF SALE:** A minimum deposit of 10% of the purchase price in the form of cash, certified check, bank draft or personal check shall be made by the successful bidder(s) on the day of sale for parcels 2, 3, 4 and 5 or any combination of them. The homesite, parcel 1, will be \$5,000.00 down, at such time, the successful bidder(s) shall enter into purchase contract. On or before March 18, 2020, the buyer(s) shall pay the balance of the purchase price in full. A copy of the purchase contract will be available for inspection at the closing desk on the day of the auction, or by contacting the auctioneer.

**POSSESSION:** Buyer(s) to receive full possession of all parcels upon closing. The current tenant has interest in renting this property back for 2020 season, should the buyer need someone to operate it.

**TAXES:** Seller(s) pays all 2019 taxes due in 2020, in the form of credit at closing based upon the latest available information. No further pro-rations will be made after closing.

**SURVEY AND DEED:** Seller(s) will provide survey, commitment letter of title insurance in the amount of the purchase price and stamped Trustee's deed to buyer(s) at time of closing

**SALE ORDER:** We will offer all parcels separately, followed by the combination of 1 and 2, and the combination of 4 and 5.

Owner: John &amp; Jennifer Kruse

Attorney for the seller: Smith Birkholz &amp; O'Brien, P.C.

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365350

**LAND AUCTION**

OGLE COUNTY FARM LAND

155 Acres MOL (offered in two parcels)

Thursday, Feb. 20, 2020 • 10 AM

**LAND LOCATION:** This farm is located at 4756 & 4780 S. Center Rd., Rochelle IL 61068. These parcels are located adjacent to the addresses above. No building sites included with this auction. This auction will be held indoors off site. **For more information, contact Auctioneer John Bearrows at 815-562-5113 or 815-739-9150.**

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**AUCTIONEERS NOTE:** This property will be offered in two parcels, both approx. 77.5 acres without any buildings. These two parcels are in a great location and have very good productivity. All announcements made day of the auction take precedence over any and all prior statements and/or advertising.

**PROPERTY DESCRIPTIONS:** Parcel 1: Approx. 77 acres, all tillable, with a PI# 126; Parcel 2: Approx. 77 acres, all tillable, with a PI# 123.

**SALE ORDER:** We will offer parcel 1, followed by parcel 2, followed by the combination of 1 & 2 totaling approx. 155 acres.

**TERMS:** A minimum deposit of 10% of the purchase price in the form of cash, certified check, bank draft or personal check shall be made by the successful bidder(s) on the day of sale for parcels 1, 2 or the combination of them. At such time, the successful bidder(s) shall enter into purchase contract. On or before April 1, 2020, the buyer(s) shall pay the balance of the purchase price in full. A copy of the purchase contract will be available for inspection at the closing desk on the day of the auction, or by contacting the auctioneer.

**POSSESSION:** Buyer(s) to receive full possession of both parcels upon closing. The current tenant has interest in renting this property back for 2020 season, should the buyer need someone to operate it.

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**SURVEY AND DEED:** Seller(s) will provide certified survey, commitment letter of title insurance in the amount of the purchase price and stamped trustee's deed to buyer(s) at time of closing.

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Owner: Dutcher Trust - Rochelle IL

Attorney for the seller: Feaver, Nye &amp; Chadwick

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365349

**REAL ESTATE AUCTION**Having decided to sell the real estate described within, the Byron Forest Preserve will offer at public auction the following described real estate Located at 5500 N. Silver Creek Road, Mt. Morris, IL 61054. This auction will be held indoors on-site. Visit our website at [www.bearrows.com](http://www.bearrows.com) for further information and pictures.

Saturday, Feb. 22, 2020 • 11 AM

**AUCTIONEERS NOTE:** This is an extremely well kept newer (1996) 2 story home which has approx. 3300+ sq. ft., sitting on 4.266 acres. The description of the many upgrades and features are many, and a written description does not do it justice. The views and location are in a class all its own. This is a must see. Plan now on attending!!!

**DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE:** This home is a newer (1996) construction home with large open rooms, vaulted ceilings, fantastic views from the wrap around porch and many upgrades. It is surrounded on 3 sides by the Byron Forest preserve and therefore seclusion and privacy is a feature hard to find. On the first floor there is a large open kitchen, dining and family room complete with fireplace, hardwood floors and views that are incredible both from inside as well as the forever wrap around deck. There is also a formal dining room and living room. The grand entry to the home leads to an open stairway and power chandelier with a 1/2 bath off entry. Throughout this home, storage and closets are one of the dominant focuses. Oak cabinetry and floors as well as solid 6 panel doors and trim throughout. Upstairs, the huge master bedroom complete with fireplace has a 26x12 walk in closet, a full large bath with 2-person jetted tub and separate shower. The other two bedrooms each have a double closet with one having 2 closets. There is a common bath for the two bedrooms complete with full tub and shower. There is a large laundry room with built in ironing board, folding counter and separate sink. The full finished walkout basement provides yet another family room and fireplace, possible den/bedroom and another 3/4 bath with shower. Mechanicals include central Vac system, LP gas forced air furnace, central air, 200-amp C/B, water softener, gas hot water heater, iron out filter and security system. There is a 1000 gal. LP tank that stays with the home. There is supplemental electric heat in the lower level as well. There is also an outside 36'x28' storage barn. **For a private viewing, contact Auctioneer John Bearrows at 815-739-9150.**

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**ACROSS**

- Wheel stopper
- "Stinging" Muhammad
- Greek portico
- She turned to stone, mythology
- Loud noise
- \*Like many football fans
- At full speed
- VHS successor
- Omit
- \*Miami \_\_\_\_\_
- \*They won their first two Super Bowl appearances
- Time division
- Do like phoenix
- "Swan Lake" steps
- It often follows tooth or back
- What oars do
- Part of a jousting outfit
- Dickens!
- Donkey in Mexico
- Glazier's unit
- \*Like Bud at a party
- Farm structure
- Fraternal letter
- Miso bean
- Make wet
- Unmoved
- Agitate
- Tasseled hat
- Colloquial approval
- Opposite of paleo
- \*Tonowanda \_\_\_\_\_, shortest-lived team in NFL history
- \*Hard Rock \_\_\_\_\_
- In the buff
- Rapscallion
- It's common?
- What time does
- Lawyers' league
- Load carrier
- Extend credit
- Nonclerical
- Roommate annoyance

**DOWN**

- Angler's enemy
- Type of cotton fiber
- Sound of pride
- Do like a good citizen
- Family subdivisions
- Contributes
- \*54
- Lemur from Madagascar
- The only one
- \*Ronde to Tiki or Maurkice to Mike
- \*Gambling \_\_\_\_\_
- Pirate's "yes"
- Echo
- \*Popular stadium snack
- Nile reptile
- Clergy house
- \*Halftime show sponsor
- "Encore!"
- \*What halftime performer does
- 43 Across residents
- "That hurts!"
- Measure of alcohol
- Jagged, as a leaf's edge
- \*Halftime performer
- Highway hauler
- Boxer's last blow
- House coat
- Not seeing eye to eye
- Tiny Tim's guitar
- To the lowest degree, pl.
- Relating to axis
- Theater to Socrates
- Leafy green
- Similar
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