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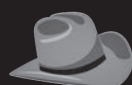
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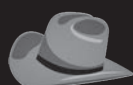
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VIEWPOINT

Slices of life

Toilet paper wars 2.0 – tested and ranked

Our country is in the midst of a monumental presidential election. I don't have to tell you it's been all-out war. But I put into the limelight a war much more intimate to every American. It's a war we all deal with multiple times each day.



By **JILL PERTLER**
Columnist

It's a war involving toilet paper. We all need toilet paper on a daily basis. When it isn't on the shelves at the superstore, we all have reason to panic. Those Sears catalogs of lore don't even exist anymore, so without toilet paper, we are all pretty much helpless and hapless.

No one wants to run out of toilet paper. But, never fear here! The experts tell us that 97% of our favorite butt paper is manufactured right here in the good old U.S.A. No need for importation. We've got it in our own tank, thank goodness.

Because of its overall importance, I've written about this topic before. Most recently in 2023 when I compared the cost per square inch of rolled butt-paper to facial tissue.

As it turns out, facial tissue is not meant for the derriere – or, more specifically, modern plumbing. Toilet paper is made to be flushed. Facial tissue is not. Therefore, my quest for the best continued – in the name of economics, and science of course.

My latest experiment involved four toilet paper options, each coming in at a different price point, as well as a different cushion point and comfort level.

Number one: The luxury brand in the super plush, super soft variety. You know the one, it sounds something like the name of a Disney prince, without the "g" at the end of his name.

Number two: The name-brand but not quite triple-cushioned goodness. Let's just call this mid-luxury and say it isn't southern (or western or eastern).

Number three: Store brand. It has a label and name resembling the luxury brand, with a price-point decidedly lower.

Number 4: the very generic, no brand, no name, which appears to be the most cost-effective choice on the shelves.

For the last month, I've been going, flushing, testing and doing the math. (You can thank me later.)

Here's what I found out: Number one: The luxury brand cost about \$1.25 per roll and lasted 2.5 days (for one user), coming to a total cost of 50 cents per day.

This brand was definitely the most comfortable of all options. You might even say it was squeezable, but you'd have to be a certain age to appreciate that reference.

Number two: The name-

brand, mid-luxury type costs about \$1.04 per roll and lasted 3.75 days, which equates to a cost of 29 cents per day.

This one was comfortable, but not on par with super-luxury. Still, it got the work done, if you catch my drift.

Number three: The store brand impersonating the high-end roll cost 83 cents per roll and lasted a whopping 4.25 days, for a grand total of 19.5 cents per day.

I think number three

came in close – comfortable – to number two. Interchangeable, almost, but I do think number two (not to be confused with the other number two) was slightly superior to number three.

Finally, number four: The very generic cost \$1 for four rolls, which lasted 3.5 days, for a cost of 29 cents per day.

Generic is generic for a reason. This paper was thinner than the rest and more prone to ripping. You needed more to do the same

job. There are the facts. They honestly surprised me. For all my life, I've gravitated to the high-end luxury brand because if my derriere doesn't deserve it, what does?

I think I had a pretty good point, but if we are focusing on price points, then other factors may come into play.

It may not be a first-world issue, but toilet paper is something we all use every day (due to the shortage of Sears

catalogs and all) so take this information and use it to your advantage.

Or, do some research of your own. You know what they say:

We've all got to go. May as well be informed in doing so.

(I made that last part up on my own.)

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



Weekly connection

The orphan lamb



By **SCOTT CERNEK**
Columnist

A couple years ago, my daughter and son-in-law gave us four ewe sheep and one ram because they didn't have a very good set up for them at their farmette. We decided that we would give them a try on our place even though I had never raised sheep before. Well, just a couple years have passed and we now have 15 ewes and four baby ewe lambs, two rams and three baby rams. It's safe to say that sheep know how to reproduce. I guess the thing that helps their numbers grow so quickly is the fact that they almost always have twins and once they get past a couple days of life, the babies are pretty hardy animals.

This fall, four of my ewes decided to lamb for the second time this year and, just like last year, one of them would not accept one of her babies. For some reason, once in a while an ewe decides to not allow one of her lambs to nurse and so an orphaned lamb is the

result. I try to give the mom plenty of time to accept both of her babies, but after a couple days of bleating and crying from the little orphan, I rescue the lamb bring it into the barn, and begin to bottle-feed it. Because a human is giving it milk, the lamb quickly decides that the human is its mother. You've probably no doubt sung the nursery rhyme about Mary and her little lamb. It is so true. Everywhere that Mary went the lamb is sure to go. Whenever I let my little girl out of her pen, she follows me all over the farm with no regard for her own kind in the nearby pasture. In fact, I have put her in the pasture with the flock and she makes a mad dash back to the fence and pushes her

way out through the panel squares to get back to my side. The other sheep just stare at her like she's lost her mind, and she probably has. I'm sure she would sleep in my bed with me if I let her. Last year, I had another little orphan lamb that I gave to my daughter's mother-in-law and that little lamb became their house pet. They even put a diaper on it and let it live indoors for a few months.

Most of my lambs are white, but I have a couple that are black or have black faces. A few days ago, another little ewe lamb was born, and it is almost all black except for a white triangle on her forehead and her hind legs and rear end are white. She looks like she is wearing pants on her back legs. Her feet are black, so it looks like she has boots on her back feet. I have never seen anything like it. It's sure fun to watch these baby lambs run and jump and play together out in the pasture. Each day they get bigger

and stronger as they drink their mother's rich milk. I suppose I'm going to have to haul some of them off to the sale barn one of these days or I'll end up with a hundred.

The Bible talks a great deal about humans as sheep and Jesus as the Good Shepherd who gives His all to care for the sheep. Sheep can do some pretty stupid things, I've noticed... like running as fast as they can into a fence or over a ledge into the creek when they are scared by something. When we don't listen to the shepherd, we humans can do some pretty stupid things too. Jesus says, "my sheep hear my voice and they listen. They come to me and are kept safe." When we receive and put our trust in the Lord, we are His forever. We are in His good hands of care and protection. The Bible says that no one can ever snatch us out of His hand.

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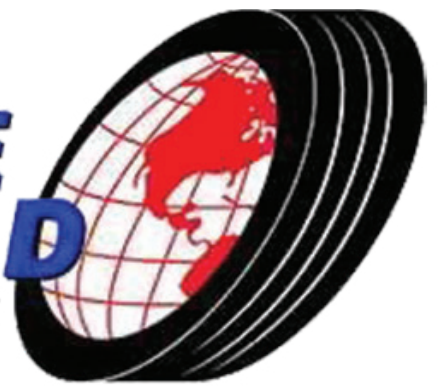
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