

What's wrong with this picture?

I'm Gary T Jarvis and I approve of this message.

With the current rise in gas prices we are all feeling the trickle down effect. In order to have money on hand, (a good concept for the credit union!) Loomis has recently added a surcharge to cover the increase in gas prices when delivering that cash. So I confronted the Board of Directors with a trickle down idea; I drive 45 miles a day round trip to work, figured at \$2.30 a gallon at 17 mpg I would need a \$6.10 surcharge to come to work each day. They told me to pound sand!

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Consumers are funny. It's comical when they will sit and complain about the cost of a gallon of gas with a latte in their hand. A simple 8oz latte is \$1.75 per cup, whoa, that's \$14 bucks a gallon! Add a little flavor and you could walk away with a \$3 cup of coffee, whoa, that's \$24 bucks a gallon! Something else that cracks me up, what happen to the good ol' days when we drank water from the faucet? A 20oz bottle of water equals \$3.49 a gallon. That makes gas prices not look so bad. With a tank of gas you get down the road, with a bottle of water a trip to the bathroom and with a latte a day you drain your wallet!

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Have you priced a good steak lately? Mad cow disease, I call bull! Who can afford \$9.95 a pound for a T-bone steak? Entertaining guests for dinner is out of the picture. The problem I have with the recent soar in meat, milk and gas prices is that once they get the prices up there they don't ever come back down. How do we know when the whole mad cow issue is resolved? Maybe we should eat only chicken and fish for one week, then there will be an over abundance of meat and prices would drop!

What's the point of this article?

In the midst of increased prices, your credit union has once again empowered you to save more money so you can afford that \$14 dollar a gallon latte. With the continued competitive market place for vehicle loan rates, we have empowered you to shop for your new vehicle and understand that we will offer you 1% apr lower than the rate you receive. Our new "Competitive Edge" loan product has already saved members thousands! By the time this is released Mr.Greenspan predictably has raised rates to slow down inflation, steak dinner for four is near \$40 bucks, it still costs me \$6 bucks a day to come to work and your credit union is lowering your interest rate by a whole percent. What's wrong with this picture?