



A long excerpt from the comment section for:

Hello: I'm Dolly.

She wasn't dumb, and she wasn't blonde. Dolly Parton 1946-2026

by Erik Loomis - 8/25/2026 - 67 likes – 40 comments – 5 shares

I've saved this comment section excerpt as it's filled with great Dolly Parton links, memories, a few recipes, reflections on the removed article, and the usual array of politics, dog posts, and whatnot.

This is as much of the conversation as I could save before the article was taken offline, and the comments with it. The discussion goes back several hours, though the timestamps seem to be wrong in several places.

The earliest sub-thread here is, I believe, the post where OG Cookie Lady, as mentioned in later discussions upthread, suddenly deleted her account, and her comment along with it. She was very upset at the tone and focus of Erik's article. Hers was not the earliest post, so quite a bit of the early discussion is missing. Still, lots of good stuff is here.

Pink shading = Top Level Posts for discussions referencing Dolly or the article.

— Curated by Sister Artemis, August 2026

[ciaobella](#) - [ciaobella](#) 9h

Didn't know Wonkette Conglomerated Industries had an obit desk that pre-writes obits. Or maybe Erik Loomis just a really fast writer.

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 1h

Gee, that would be a shame. Susan Collins, she is concerned.

As U.S.-Canada tensions escalate, Republicans could face political consequences

The collapse of a trade deal between the United States and Canada over the weekend, followed by President Donald Trump's announcement Monday that he would impose even more tariffs on Canadian goods, added a new shock to midterm elections already dominated by price concerns.

States that depend on international trade, including Maine, Michigan and Iowa, are among those at the forefront of the midterm battleground map.

Some Republicans in those states have urged Trump to pull back, including Sen. Susan Collins (Maine), who is locked in a tight reelection battle. "Imposing new tariffs on Canada is a mistake," Collins said on C-SPAN on Monday. "I want us to go back to the very friendly economically beneficial relationship that we have with our Canadian neighbors."

<https://wapo.st/4wKCN7a>

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 20h

"House Democrats have nothing to offer voters but distractions from their failures and the radical socialists taking over their party," Mike Marinella, a spokesman for the campaign arm of House Republicans. "Meanwhile, President Trump and Republicans are delivering lower costs, putting Americans first, and making sure the rest of the world can no longer take advantage of our country." Oh, bless his heart.

[Teen Laqueefa](#) - [Teen's Substack](#) 20h

Sucks to be Susan Collins.

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 1h

welcome to the ghost ship

[SayItWithWookies](#) - [SayItWithWookies's Substack](#) 1h

A skink on a stucco wall by the pollinator garden. I wonder if they have celebratory anthems, like "Scales and Stripes Forever." Anyway, I like the textures and shapes in this shot.

<https://substack.com/profile/156018579-sayitwithwookies/note/c-322795925>

[Teen Laqueefa](#) - [Teen's Substack](#) 20h

5 lined skink I believe, we have a lot of great plains skinks here and they get huge (~13in) and bite HARD.

https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/a/a2/Eumeces_obsoletus1.jpg

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 1h

How did you find us?

[tehbadr](#) - [tehbadr](#) 18m

Dolly, perhaps better as persona than country singer?

Discuss.

/ducks

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 14m

Cultural phenomenon and palimpsest. Some good work has been done on this

[BlueSpot](#) - [BlueSpot's Substack](#) 42m

Substack is doing the Time Warp again.

[TheHeroOfCanton](#) - [TheHeroOfCanton's Substack](#) 37m

It's just a post to the left...

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 38m

ALTERNATIVE UNIVERSE: ENGAGE!!!

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 39m

Rebecca has an explainer on the supreme court post

[Sister Artemis](#) - [Sister's other journal](#) 7m

I just print-to-PDF'd as much of this discussion as I could. Sigh...

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 5m

smart solution, Sister A

[Sister Artemis](#) - [Sister's other journal](#) 35m

So, is our discussion going to go away? because there's some really good stuff here.

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 32m

Our non-comments are now all just shades haunting the interwebs.

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 11h

Uh ohs: looks like we are being ghosted away...

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 10h

Tried the linky and it goes to "PAGE NOT FOUND"

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 10h

Welcome to the Twiwonkzone

[Snowolf100](#) - [Snowolf100](#) 6m

No-one has mentioned her rock album so here you go.

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLxA687tYuMWiUP8OTsDPRO40ermxQmdD1>

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rockstar_\(Dolly_Parton_album\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rockstar_(Dolly_Parton_album))

<https://www.mojo4music.com/articles/stories/dolly-parton-remembered-i-just-go-where-my-heart-leads/>

[BlueSpot](#) - [BlueSpot's Substack](#) 8m

<https://youtu.be/SFTEfOIJkPg?si=4FtZJcvw3sFJ4I3p>

Jolene

[tehbaddr](#) - [tehbaddr](#) 35m

"country music before the rise of douche country in the early '90s recycled old songs all the time"

Still waiting for the right time to release a little original country diddie I did way back when, "The Dogs In The Barn Eating My Potatoes!"

[BlueSpot - BlueSpot's Substack](#) 33m

Is that a little diddie about Jack and Diane?

[Pauly2coffees - Pauly2coffees's Substack](#) 32m

I loathe that song with the heat of a thousand suns.

[BlueSpot - BlueSpot's Substack](#) 27m

Little ditty 'bout Jack Daniels and Diane

An American kid growin' up in the heartland

Jack can be found back behind the bar

Diane has a fifth in the glove box of her car

[Thixotropickle - Thixotropickle](#) 31m

but you still love chili dawgs, right?

[Pauly2coffees - Pauly2coffees's Substack](#) 21h

Veggie ones maybe.

[Pub Option - Pub Option](#) 11m

The name Pigeon Forge intrigues me. Can a bird like that swing a hammer with enough force to bend metal?

[Thixotropickle - Thixotropickle](#) 4m

Need to ask our resident pigeon expert, ZW

[tehbaddr - tehbaddr](#) 7m

African or European?

[BlueSpot - BlueSpot's Substack](#) 9m

That nine pound hammer is a little bit heavy for their size.

[BlueSpot - BlueSpot's Substack](#) 16m

As Dolly Parton recounted in interviews, she once came across a lookalike contest held on Santa Monica Boulevard that was filled with drag queens dressing up as her. Deciding to have some fun, she entered the contest without revealing her [identity](#). To compete with the grand scale of the drag performers, she: Exaggerated her makeup: She made her signature beauty mark bigger, her eyes larger, and her hair even higher. Walked the stage: She joined the lineup alongside the contestants who had spent weeks tailoring their outfits. Ultimately, her plan backfired in a humorous way. Because she stood only 5 feet tall, she looked tiny next to the taller drag queens wearing heels. The crowd and judges completely missed that she was the real deal, thinking she was just "some short little gay guy" trying to imitate Dolly, and she received the least applause of all. Parton frequently recalled the moment with great fondness, laughing about how she lost her own lookalike contest.

<https://www.whiskeyriff.com/2026/08/25/dolly-parton-once-lost-a-dolly-parton-lookalike-contest-they-thought-i-was-some-short-little-gay-guy/>

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 22m

Graham Cracker's sister won her primary:

<https://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/politics/elections/2026/08/25/sc-senate-primary-runoff-election-results-news-analysis--live/91443817007/>

[TheHeroOfCanton](#) - [TheHeroOfCanton's Substack](#) 9m

"But I know he's looking up, very proud," she said.

FTFY

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 21m

Xi is dancing in his office...

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 19m

I love the troops! Rah, rah!

[Hamilton & The Crew TEAM ALGAE](#) - [Hamilton's Substack](#) 11h

Aww, Hell. I finally get here and this. RIP, Dolly.

I'll talk about Clark Monster serving three hours in jail yesterday on the morrow.

I took Indica and then Alice came by with some groceries and fried chicken so we watched the first two episodes of Stuart Fails To Save Shit--which just happens to go great with Indica. I'm going to try it with Sativa on the morrow aslo too.

(STARTLE ALRET!!!)

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[2Cats2Furious](#) - [2Cats2Furious's Substack](#) 11h

Sweet Babby Lewis!!

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 11h

LEWIS!!!!

Also, Clark Monster went to jail?!

[https://substackcdn.com/image/fetch/\\$s_!60tt!,w_480,c_limit,f_auto,q_auto:eco,fl_progressive:steep/https%3A%2F%2Fsubstack-post-media.s3.amazonaws.com%2Fpublic%2Fimages%2Fa775fee2-62cf-4cb5-b0e3-333a8f58b09e_4032x3024.jpeg](https://substackcdn.com/image/fetch/$s_!60tt!,w_480,c_limit,f_auto,q_auto:eco,fl_progressive:steep/https%3A%2F%2Fsubstack-post-media.s3.amazonaws.com%2Fpublic%2Fimages%2Fa775fee2-62cf-4cb5-b0e3-333a8f58b09e_4032x3024.jpeg)

Linus is concerned.

[Hamilton & The Crew TEAM ALGAE](#) - [Hamilton's Substack](#) 11h

Lewis is learning Professional Judging from Simba.

[noname](#)

[noname](#) 21h

He really is! My other guess was "Where is my fried chicken, damnit?"

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 11h

Clerking for Judge Simba.

That is a wise career choice.

[shivaskeeper](#) - [shivaskeeper](#) 1h

I'm pretty sure someone else covered the time Dolly entered a Dolly lookalike contest at a drag show and didn't win. Because that's hilarious.

[ciaobella](#) - [ciaobella](#) 13m

Tonight for dinner (Jr's last night at home before he blasts off to Bawlmer for the fall semester) I am grilling opah! Which makes me want to dance around and say Opah! Opah! while I grill, and then Jr will say, jeez, dad, stop it, you're embarrassing.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 7m

I thought chicken adobe was his favorite...

[BlueSpot](#) - [BlueSpot's Substack](#) 11h

Looks like Graham won her runoff for S. Carolina Senate.

Mazzei might have won the GOP runoff for Oklahoma governor. Mazzie is firmly tied to Donald Trump's dick, don't know if that will help him come November.

[good_duck](#) 11h

It was pretty close at least.

[BlueSpot](#) - [BlueSpot's Substack](#) 11h

Mazzei is off-the-rails racist. I'm hoping that the Drummond Republicans stay home in November.

[BlueSpot](#) - [BlueSpot's Substack](#) 1h

<https://youtu.be/E4OzdyxbOuU?si=yJwL-cWIHZd4tP1B>

9 to 5

[Zyomma](#) - [Zyomma's Substack](#) 11h

Greetings from the lovely pied-à-nuage where dinner was a joint effort. I made the faux gras (lentil-walnut paté) yesterday, while the Lady mushroom was marinating. Tonight, adored and adorable husband Meccalopolis grilled the mushroom and a couple ears of corn. I made banh mi of the paté, shredded mushroom, daikon-carrot pickle, bread and butter pickle (we're out of cucumber) and hot sauce or harissa (his and hers) on ciabatta, with the corn on the side. Good night, beloved Wonketteers. We love and

appreciate you all and we bless us all with love, health, peace, and grace. Be kind, especially to yourself, and please, please stay safe. When we vote, we WIN!!

Slava Ukraini. 🌻 UA 💙💛

[tehbaddr](#) - [tehbaddr](#) 1h

I think I might need diazapines or maybe Thorazine. So angry that I regularly encounter infantile idiot man children or the female variant of that.

Not good.

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 1h

A- don't let the assholes grind you down.

2- go watch some birds, or kids on a playground.

III- excuse to post my angry go done tune.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jktJZ3umzNI>

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 1h

I'm sorry. I understand the anger and am eating large amounts of my liver not to scream it on a daily basis. That said, we can be better than that. You're better than that.

We're not the lowest common denominator...we're the LEAST common.

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 1h

You going to be okay, tehbaddr?

[tehbaddr](#) - [tehbaddr](#) 37m

Yeah, I'm always OK, kinda the problem.

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 34m

Hmmm, curiously cryptic yet pessimistically hopeful! Tracks.

[TheHeroOfCanton](#) - [TheHeroOfCanton's Substack](#) 11h

Previously on TheHeroOfCanton--

So the kids' lives are looking up a bit. Heroic DiL is looking at a potential well-paying nursing admin job at a place with small turnover--a good thing. Heroic Son has found gig work with FedEx, meaning on-call delivery work--he can clear \$200 over six hours, and he picks and chooses his hours around what he has to do at the house. He likes it, and it beats the hell out of his former job (up at 4 am, home at 4 pm, two hours commuting a day).

So, Spud-sitting today while Middle Lad did his high school orientation. The meds for Spud's ADHD are spot-on--he's still energetic, without all that annoying belligerence. He loves his Grandma's spaghetti, so he got that for his dinner tonight

Mrs. Hero's achilles tendon is still barking, so afterward, we went to our favorite local ice cream place, and lo and behold, her favorite flavor--huckleberry--was waiting for her.

And finally, today Megyn Kelly tried to make a tribute to Dolly. It did not go well, and that made me a little happier.

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/other/megyn-kelly-s-tribute-to-dolly-parton-goes-south-real-quick-dolly-was-everything-you-arent/ar-AA2aVl3d?ocid=BingNewsVerp>

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 34m

I'm kind of thinking this is the writer got fired thread.

just a suggestion.

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 11m

thread got fired

[Teen Laqueefa](#) - [Teen's Substack](#) 25m

I just finished reading it and agree.

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 32m

Tomorrow should be a hoot.

[tehbaddr](#) - [tehbaddr](#) 25m

There's a whole new/very old thread over here!

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 20m

SHAZAMWOW!

[BlueSpot](#) - [BlueSpot's Substack](#) 27m

<https://youtu.be/SyP0Sy9KFf0?si=Xo48l89KJIOPVxsX>

Coat of Many Colors

[ReSister For Life Callyson](#) - [Allyson's Substack](#) 11h

Imagination Library

Dollywood Foundation

Funded COVID-19 Research

Supported LGBTQ+ Rights

Donated to relief efforts

Her Music Internationally & Politically

Defended Black Lives Matter Protesters

Funded Healthcare

Advocated for Animal Conservation and Welfare



https://zeteo.substack.com/p/dolly-parton-dies-at-80-here-are?r=5fuug&utm_campaign=post&utm_medium=email
<https://bsky.app/profile/callyson.bsky.social/post/3mtxein47hs23>

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 11h

Largest employer in her home county.

[ReSister For Life Callyson](#) - [Allyson's Substack](#) 11h

Oh! I should post the title of the Zeteo link:

Dolly Parton Dies at 80. Here Are 9 Ways She Changed America and the World for the Better

From giving away millions of free books to backing COVID vaccine research to supporting LGBT rights, Dolly Parton used her superstar platform to advocate for education, healthcare, and dignity for all

[Vileaxxe](#) - [Vileaxxe](#) 11h

Yo Erik!

You did a bad job and you should feel bad. Dolly was a legend. One of those people who so thoroughly transcends the thing they got famous for that they are instantly recognisable by people of all ages, nationalities, walks of life. And she's also one of the vanishingly rare number of people that everybody speaks kindly of. She's right there with Keanu Reeves and Mr Rogers as somebody that nobody has a hateful thing to say about. But you kinda tried to, didn't you, Erik? That was really trifling on your part and served to diminish you and not her. It was a hack job, sir and I'm a little embarrassed for you. But I guess we can't all be immortal songwriters who have shared beautiful music, free books, and funding for life-saving vaccines with the world.

[The Covfefes ASAP!](#) - [The Covfefes ASAP!](#) 11h

Late night OT!

The next tropical storm will be named Dolly and it's heading towards Florida. :0

<https://www.wfsb.com/2026/08/25/next-named-atlantic-tropical-storm-will-share-dolly-partons-name/>

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 11h

Unfortunately, Dolly will be far to polite to fuck up shit.

Cause she's classy like that.

And a good rain will make gardens grow.

[Bitter Scribe](#) - [Bitter's Substack](#) 11h

I couldn't even read this obit. I started to, but when I saw the first signs of Erik Loomis's trademark snotty superiority, I thought, Fuck it, I don't need this tonight. Or ever.

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 11h

I went off waaaaaaay down below. And Cookie Lady fucked off again in a rage. Not OK.

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 11h

I skipped it and went directly to the comments, saw the takes, read Cookie Lady flounced off, went to read it, and wow.

Just....she had a few good songs in the beginning, sold out her music gifts, and will be remembered for being an excellent capitalist, one of the most successful American female capitalists ever.

[Sk8erChoi](#) - [Andus's Substack](#) 11h

I don't think I've read an obituary that segues into a complaint about traffic. In a way I'm almost glad he didn't get into her charitable work because it could have turned into a letter to a Denny's manager about why can't he get eggs the way he asked for them.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 11h

Also well said.

[Suzie Greenburg](#) - [Suzie Greenburg](#) 11h

LET ME TELL YOU ABOUT A MUNDANE THING THAT I CARRY IN CHIP FORM HERE ON MY SHOULDER

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 11h

Well said.

[shivaskeeper](#) - [shivaskeeper](#) 11h

Snotty superiority. Those were the words I was looking for a few minutes ago.

[FrancescoTheMagnificent](#) - [FrancescoTheMagnificent](#) 11h

"But as a very intense fan of country music ... "

Stop right there. A REAL fan. Countryer than thou. Very whiny white guy. Very much like a lot of REAL country fans who know all these amazing artists you peons have never heard of. So hip.

In a fucking cowboy hat! Dude, you're lame!

Look, as a very intense fan of all sorts of music, country music - especially modern country music - just plain sucks. The only difference between whatever obscure no-talents you listen to & the ones from the 70s is less rhinestones. The whole genre has only produced a handful of great writers & performers. Dolly was one of them & you threw shade at her in an obituary. Dick move.

Ya wanna be objective? The history of great American music is the history of Black American music. Honky-ass country is a blip. This lady made something great of it by transcending it. Like Willie Nelson. They're American artists first & country artists second. It was the genre they emerged from to become great. They had to transcend it because it's too limited. Which is something that could also be said about it's hat and boot wearing, line dancing, lame-ass fan base.

They spoke to something decent and great in America. Something we often have a hard time seeing. You won't find it crying into your cheap beer about your fifth divorce or reading Hillbilly Elegy.

"Very intense" jackass fans of "real" country music like you didn't deserve Dolly Parton.

Next time, keep your opinions to yourself & do your job.

[Bitter Scribe](#) - [Bitter's Substack](#) 11h

He's countryer than thou, he's less racist than thou, he's more pro-labor than thou, and he's just better than thou in every way. Also, he has no kids and is full of opinions about how you should be raising yours, whom he sneeringly calls "Connor" and "Maddie."

[marcus816](#) - [marcus816](#) 11h

The "Jolene" duet was fucking awesome.

No, I'm NOT crying! Why would you even ask that?

[Lily Mars](#) 11h

I saw that a few years ago (it may have been shortly after Olivia passed) and I sometimes replay it in my head, because it's stored in there now. Absolutely beautiful.

[Teen Laqueefa](#) - [Teen's Substack](#) 11h

The White Stripes version of Jolene

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6xSEStRIs88>

This was my first exposure to the band and was intrigued he chose this song to cover.

[noname](#) - noname 11h

As predicted, I couldn't manage to link to Beyoncé's version WITH Dolly's intro, so I'm posting [her tribute] and this prose version of the story instead:

<https://variety.com/2026/music/news/beyonce-pays-tribute-to-dolly-parton-barometer-1236843171/>

[Clammed Can Monster](#) - [Clammed Can Monster](#) 11h

He honored her by playing this song tonight.

White, a longtime admirer of Parton's, posted a simple tribute on Instagram which read "Instant sainthood," alongside a classic image of the country star. Then, during his concert at the Eventim Apollo in London, he opted to celebrate Parton with one of her best-known tunes.

<https://ultimateclassicrock.com/jack-white-jolene-dolly-parton/>

[CripesAmighty](#) - [The Shoepebble](#) 1h

This:

<https://bsky.app/profile/thegodshow.com/post/3mtwitadqik2i>

[TheHeroOfCanton](#) - [TheHeroOfCanton's Substack](#) 44m

As long as you're sorry, God.

We're not angry, just disappointed.

Okay, we are a bit angry too.

BlueSpot - BlueSpot's Substack 1h

https://youtu.be/NmrrAxS3z7I?si=T_GIW4cmEnrJ8F1g

The House of the Rising Sun

[tehbaddr](#) - [tehbaddr](#) 36m

don't do what I have done

SterWonk - SterWonk 11h

Still haven't reached the OT -- on a business trip, with meetings all day and social events in the evening -- but I wanted to point out that the article about the Battle of Blair Mountain omitted something important: the origin of the phrase "redneck".

Beau, from six years ago today: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z-qZVy0TbLY>

'Interesting side note: up on that mountain, the gun thugs wore white armbands, and the miners wore red scarfs: rednecks.'

Those rednecks would be disgusted by how modern rednecks have become anti-union and pro-management.

Anarchy Pony - Anarchy Pony 1h

<https://wildkinstudio.substack.com/>

Here, go listen to the podcast of the lady I'm half heartedly attempting to court.

[tehbaddr](#) - [tehbaddr](#) 34m

She'll be real happy you outed her.

/shakes head

[Anarchy Pony](#) - [Anarchy Pony](#) 31m

Eh, whatever, I don't deserve to be loved anyway.

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 1h

Sounds like you might need to up your pagan game

[Anarchy Pony](#) - [Anarchy Pony](#) 1h

I already am... Mighty Thor Protects. But she's into Celtic Paganism. Star crossed lovers...

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 44m

Well, at least you're both in the same genre, just different flavors

TheHeroOfCanton - TheHeroOfCanton's Substack 12h

silently wraps Dick van Dyke and Carol Burnett in moar bubble wrap

[nodak.5150.47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 11h

Looks up from wrapping Mel Brooks, offers air high five.

[TheHeroOfCanton](#) - [TheHeroOfCanton's Substack](#) 11h

Nice catch there

[Snowolf100](#) - [Snowolf100](#) 11h

Make sure you leave breathing holes...

[Teen Laqueefa](#) - [Teen's Substack](#) 1h

I remember Dolly saying her husband once told her "If you were a half inch bigger you'd be ugly."

If true Carl had a great sense of humor.

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 1h

I cannot imagine Dolly would have stayed with him that long if he didn't have a good sense of humor- it's such a core part of who she was.

[shivaskeeper](#) - [shivaskeeper](#) 12h

One of the things that's almost universally true about people who start out in dirt eating, grinding poverty is if they do get famous or come into money they tend to either overspend, give it away, or get conned out of it and wind up back in poverty again.

Dolly didn't. She had some good mentors combined with her own savvy, and held on to what was hers, but not to horde. She gave back. A lot. To children. To her community. To her people. To the world on occasion. She did what she could, far more than is usually expected, just because it was the right thing to do.

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 11h

A lot of it was anonymous as well. She would hear about people or a group struggling who needed a guardian angel, and would quietly donate the funds, no name or strings attached. Every once in a while they will be stories where people she helped find out years later Dolly was their mystery benefactor and are just gobsmacked at the news.

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 11h

Having grown up dirt poor as well, I will add a bit of context to that.

There is this whole support system, where when someone has something to pitch in with, they just do that. No big deal made, just pitching in when they can.

Karma will deal with things if you fall on hard times, and only an absolute asshole takes credit, cause we all poor, and sharing.

Those are the people I grew up with.

Most now are solid MAGA idiots, go figure.

Something important has broken, and badly.

[shivaskeeper](#) - [shivaskeeper](#) 11h

That's general small town and rural life in my experience. Even that shit motherfucker down the road gets help, if for no other reason than his livestock shouldn't suffer because he's a dick.

Something is broken now though.

[shivaskeeper](#) - [shivaskeeper](#) 11h

Actions. Words. We all know which ones speak louder.

I figure she also understood that either her name being attached or just the self serving nature of performative public giving would detract from it.

[Lucidamente](#) - [Lucidamente](#) 12h

It wouldn't be a Loomis post without a dig at person X's insufficient devotion to the struggle. So here goes, from noted enemy of the people Charlie Pierce.

<https://www.esquire.com/news-politics/politics/a73525708/dolly-parton-was-always-force-for-good/>

And this is my favorite bit of Partonalia: For 31 years, she had run what she called the Imagination Library, a service that delivers free books to children. There are outlets all over the United States and in four other countries. The project has dispersed over three hundred million books over those three decades. Back in March, because the president is a slug that attracts other slugs, Republican governors and state legislatures went to war with the Imagination Library. From USA Today [columnist Joseph Gerth]:

For the younger kids, it's largely very simple books about counting and animal noises and colors and simple words. For older kids, the books have themes like friendship and self-reliance and nice little stories I would have loved to have read to my daughter when she was younger—like the one about someone trying to hire a rooster to wake everyone. Most of the books feature animals as their main characters. I didn't look at all 75 or so books on the list, but among those I reviewed, I didn't see a single one that dealt with sex—either gay or straight—or genders or anything that seemed likely to offend. Some of them deal with kindness. If that's too woke for you, I'm not certain you can be helped. A few are bilingual, which I guess could send the Hispanic haters into a tizzy.

[2Cats2Furious](#) - [2Cats2Furious's Substack](#) 11h

Thanks for sharing.

[Bitter Scribe](#) - [Bitter's Substack](#) 11h

It wouldn't be a Loomis post without a dig at person X's insufficient devotion to the struggle.

So true. Loomis and his self-righteousness can get very tedious.

[CripesAmighty](#) - [The Shoepebble](#) 12h

So, to cure your sour mood, when it posts, watch Chris Hayes' interview with a Canadian journalist expressing bemused wonderment at America's grand strategy of punching itself in the face until Canada gives up.

["M"](#) - ["M"](#) 12h

I really appreciated that journalist

He had all the insights

I'm listening to Mark Carney tell us the Canadian tariffs will be going into effect September 8 so I'm glad I bought my French lipstick 🍷 today

[Stanta Knows](#) - [Stanta Knows](#) 12h

As we're watching Steel Magnolias Saturday, this is apt:

Daryl Hannah

[@dhlovelife.bsky.social](#)

· 3h

Dolly broke me in early to her raucous self deprecating sense of humor

when we began steel magnolias rehearsals ?

i asked her - how long does it take to do a hair do like yours?

Dolly - no idea, i'm never there when they do it!?

i started taking Dolly-isms notes on the back of my script after that

[ziggywiggy](#) 12h

Thanks Stanta,

I will be looking for things like that to include in the movie post.

[Alternative Dog](#) - [Alternative's Substack](#) 11h

In case you missed the link BlueSpot posted later in this thread, it contained this gem presented as a quote:

"I kind of patterned my look after the town tramp. I didn't know what she was, just this woman who was blonde and piled her hair up, wore high heels and tight skirts, and, boy, she was the prettiest thing I'd ever seen. Momma used to say, 'Aw, she's just trash,' and I thought, 'That's what I want to be when I grow up. Trash.'"

<https://www.whiskeyriff.com/2026/08/25/dolly-parton-once-lost-a-dolly-parton-lookalike-contest-they-thought-i-was-some-short-little-gay-guy/>

["M"](#) - ["M"](#) 12h

Here's a tribute attributed to Julia Roberts

<https://bsky.app/profile/everyfilmmnow.bsky.social/post/3mtxa2wmxr22v>

and a story

<https://bsky.app/profile/lalaisto.bsky.social/post/3mtxcswfjkh2g>

[ziggywiggy](#) 12h

Thank you, you guys know how I do things!

[CripesAmighty](#) - [The Shoepebble](#) 12h

Man, everybody's in a foul mood.

What did we learn today, kids? Perhaps writing an obituary in the style of a dyspeptic music review ain't such a hot idea.

[Lucidamente](#) - [Lucidamente](#) 11h

Check out Lawyers, Guns, and Money, where Loomis regularly yells at commenters.

[Bitter Scribe](#) - [Bitter's Substack](#) 11h

Oh that site sucks balls. Loomis and the other writers can be such insufferably self-righteous shits.

[Lucidamente](#) - [Lucidamente](#) 11h

Robert Farley and Cheryl Rofer are ok.

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 11h

Pass.

[Thixotropickle](#) - [Thixotropickle](#) 11h

Lotsa No True Scotsmans whacking on each other with mashies.

[Aquaman, Real Estate Investor.](#) - [Aquaman, Real Estate Investor.](#) 12h

Maybe don't rush a post out on such a sensitive subject?

That seems like a wise move. Could have had a much better post tomorrow for the OT.

[shivaskeeper](#) - [shivaskeeper](#) 12h

It's not even a music review.

She was OK, I guess, but capitalism sucks seems to be the broader point.

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 12h

there was also a subtext of someone leaving Country Music for broader audiences.

[shivaskeeper](#) - [shivaskeeper](#) 12h

That was text, not subtext.

Most long lasting bands and solo artists change with the times. Or they end up on the county fair and small casino circuit playing the 30 year old hits.

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 12h

perhaps I should have qualified that with someone who felt she should have stayed Country, and never changed.

It was remarkably petty on most levels.

Not at all what I expected from Loomis.

[Tia Loca](#) - [Tia Loca](#) 12h

* Hugs box of Dolly Cake mix*

I'm going to go make cake

Because I don't know what I just read up there.

[TheHeroOfCanton](#) - [TheHeroOfCanton's Substack](#) 12h

I have her yellow cake mix ready to go.

[Sk8erChoi](#) - [Andus's Substack](#) 12h

It's really unnerving reading an obituary that feels like it's about to say "good riddance" at any moment.

[TheHeroOfCanton](#) - [TheHeroOfCanton's Substack](#) 12h

On the other hand, it's not so unusual to read an obituary and shout at the Supernatural Big Guy "YOU MISSED! WRONG ONE!"

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 12h

Somewhere in here Craig Nixon said Loomis is also a music writer of note. So I get having the music guy write this, but.....

Tell me you were not fond of Dolly Parton without saying you were not fond of Dolly Parton.

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 12h

honestly?

It had the feel of a sad Taylor Swift fan after she left country music.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 12h

Linus thinks you be wise.

[https://substackcdn.com/image/fetch/\\$s_!Y4TX!f_auto,q_auto:good,fl_progressive:steep/https%3A%2F%2Fsubstack-post-media.s3.amazonaws.com%2Fpublic%2Fimages%2F1d4a5a4f-f2ab-4811-8b9d-ce165da8aec5_2016x1512.jpeg](https://substackcdn.com/image/fetch/$s_!Y4TX!f_auto,q_auto:good,fl_progressive:steep/https%3A%2F%2Fsubstack-post-media.s3.amazonaws.com%2Fpublic%2Fimages%2F1d4a5a4f-f2ab-4811-8b9d-ce165da8aec5_2016x1512.jpeg)

[Parakeetist](#) - [The Nest](#) 11h

Linus is A Harrumph

[Random](#) - [Random's Substack](#) 12h

waves

So, I listened to that new Fifth Doctor audio ("Singularity") today going to and from work. And surprise surprise, it was fantastic.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 12h

Oohh. I have Spare Parts cued up for tonight. And I looked up Singularity and saved it.

[Random](#) - [Random's Substack](#) 11h

Ohhh, you're going to be so spooked by what Classic Who monster is the focus of Spare Parts...

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 11h

So Spare Parts first it is!

Then Singularity!

[Random](#) - [Random's Substack](#) 11h

Remember, Singularity is only available for digital purchase on the Big Finish website. Keep that in mind.

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 12h

Nice!!!!

This is going to be another lost weekend of medical stuff (more annoying tests for things that won't kill me just annoy me greatly) so I will need the distraction and am finally going to start my Big Finish journey.

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 12h

dawwww...

have a handful of treats, Linus.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 12h

How are the kats?

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 12h

sleeping.

Miss T is curled up by my right elbow, Elwood asleep by my legs, Oscar on his favorite spot at the far end of the couch, and Frank under the couch.

They are quiet.

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too quiet.

[NewLarry](#) - [NewLarry](#) 11h

Whatever you do, DON'T open the basement door!

[My Erdos Number Is Five](#) - [My Erdos Number Is Five](#) 4m

She seemed like a nice lady but I can't listen to that music.

[Lil Snot](#) - [Lil Snot](#) 12h

You can't talk about Dolly without talking about the Imagination Library and other charitable causes. She may have been a capitalist, but she was never a cheapskate like Bezos or Musk.

[Raccoon of Vengeance](#) - [Komrad's Substack](#) 12h

Snot!

[Lisa](#) - [Lisa](#) 12h

I'm fierce about Dolly, and I certainly don't want to overshadow the orange dude, but if he tries to take away her glory in some fucking tweet and make it about him, I will instigate madness. Come get me Secret Service.

[Stulexington](#) - [Stulexington](#) 12h

I don't see how he could possibly resist trying to bend national attention, especially about a woman, towards himself.

[Lblomg](#) - [Lblomg's Substack](#) 12h

<https://donate.imaginationlibrary.com/>

If inclined.

[CripesAmighty](#) - [The Shoepebble](#) 12h

300 million free books to preschoolers (and counting) through her Imagination Library program (and if you've seen them, they're charming).

 [SUSE](#)  - [Suse's Substack](#) 12h

My niece posted this on her FB page about Dolly.

This universally beloved human is no longer with us. 💔 How can it be that she loved and embraced pretty much everyone and everything in her path? That she radiated goodness and generosity and sparkling wit and humor, seemingly every minute of the day? Not to mention, endless talent and creativity? That she brought together people from all perspectives and walks of life, with humility and grace and kindness? And, not least, that she dedicated herself to childhood literacy, doling out millions upon millions of books? Oh, that we could all try to be even a tiny flicker of what she was—why, it would change the world.

[Goin Green](#) - [Goin's Substack](#) 12h

This is the light of Dolly. She knew people were different and she didn't care... She also knew it was good to bring all different kinds of people together because sometimes good things can happen.

All the rest is just nuts and bolts...

[Raccoon of Vengeance](#) - [Komrad's Substack](#) 12h

The neighborhood outpouring of grief is telling.

[Diane's Less Hostile Username](#) 12h

At the polling site where I worked today, I listened to a dem and a MAGA piece of shit GQP commiserate over this loss.

[CripesAmighty](#) - [The Shoepebble](#) 12h

With all the sniping of a dysfunctional family funeral.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 12h

I have been to some *lit* funerals in my day.

[Ambiance Chaser](#) - [Ambiance Chaser](#) 12h

"If we didn't care we wouldn't snipe." . . .

[Demme Epstein Fatale](#) - [Demme Epstein Fatale](#) 12h

When she said: (paraphrase during Trump 1) "Of course I couldn't go to DC and get a Medal of Honor from Pres. Trump! My husband had Covid!"

Subtle.

Lots of us knew what she meant.

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 12h

She turned him down twice, I think.

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 12h

Yep.

looks up at obit

But she was more worried about her bottom line than making a statement.... 🙄

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 12h

"Ungenerous" was the nicest, most diplomatic thing I could say about it.

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 12h

Bless his heart...

yeah, that was loud and clear.

[RCS](#) - [RCS](#) 12h

I hope we get a better tribute than this for Dolly from Evan.

This is just... weird.

[Valerie M.](#) - [Valerie M.](#) 12h

Yes! Very music-critic-who-is-mad-about traffic. And the complaint about her not speaking out? Her actions were more powerful than any speech

[Pauly2coffees](#) - [Pauly2coffees's Substack](#) 11h

She supported LGBTQ+ people for a good portion of her career, and she advocated kindness and acceptance. If she didn't do it the way he liked, tough titty.

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 12h

Yep.

And I've had writers in my feeds who are usually very cynical about performative and almost meaningless statements of support thanking her for her support of their communities, both in her statements and actions.

[CripesAmighty](#) - [The Shoepebble](#) 12h

Came across as a review more than an obit.

[Liz Connolley](#) - [Liz Connolley](#) 2h

Dolly was such a kind and lovely person. She had the best sense of humor. She helped out so many people on top of being so talented.

PS I too got caught in the Pigeon Forge traffic hell one time — it took us three hours to go like two blocks. We were headed to do some whitewater rafting in Nantahala.

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 1h

My family got caught once in the abomination that is Rod Run traffic....

Never again!!!

[Andrea](#) - [Andrea](#) 2h

The political comments make me sick. What is wrong with people?

[Tetman Callis](#) - [The Art of Tetman Callis \(on Su...](#) 1h

There are some profoundly unhappy people who never could get people to pay attention to them enough and they think that making comments is the same as commanding attention. They're shouting into the void but the magic trap of social media is that it does not look like the void that it is.

[Ambiance Chaser](#) - [Ambiance Chaser](#) 2h

If you're not with the country singer you love, love the country singer you're with.

Otherwise, might want to keep it to yourself . . .

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 1h

Now I'm gonna have THAT runnin through my head...Thanks, Ambiance.

[Cheers Y'all](#) - [Cheers's Substack](#) 12h

Dolly Parton was a saint amongst us.

[Always Be Ithacating](#) - [Always Be Ithacating](#) 12h

Selfish note – Bonnie Raitt is alive and well and happily touring at age 76. But when she inevitably goes, it's going to signal the end game for me. Soundtrack of my life and all that.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 12h

No, it won't. You can discover new things. If I can, you can.

[Always Be Ithacating](#) - [Always Be Ithacating](#) 12h

I hope you are right, thank you!

[Always Be Ithacating](#) - [Always Be Ithacating](#) 12h

I will turn 72 in a couple of hours.

[Pauly2coffees](#) - [Pauly2coffees's Substack](#) 11h

Happy Birthday!

[Zyxomma](#) - [Zyxomma's Substack](#) 11h

Happy birthday, a tiny bit early. May your next trip around the sun bless you with love, health, peace, grace, abundance, prosperity, integrity, longevity, laughter, tears, friendship, courage, compassion, creativity, community, and joy. 🌸

[BlueSpot](#) - [BlueSpot's Substack](#) 11h

Happy Birthday.

[RMKH](#) - [RMKH](#) 1 2h

Happy Day Ithaca!

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 12h

When Lucinda goes...

[Rank Member](#) 12h

Tom Waits.....I dont want to even think about it.

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 12h

Tom Waits changed music for me. I'm still chasing that 30 years later.

[beebo jr](#) 12h

yeah. the stories she tells. and she SEES us men folk.

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 12h

And women too. "If Wishes Were Horses" hits REALLY close to home.

[SAMushrush](#) - [SAMushrush's Substack](#) 12h

Yeah, I kind of dread that. PS Have you ever listened to Mark Junger's band?

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 12h

I can't say I recall that name.

[SAMushrush](#) - [SAMushrush's Substack](#) 12h

I think you'd like them. Raw and emotional. I just cued up the first album, Standing in your Way.

[Zyxomma](#) - [Zyxomma's Substack](#) 12h

Ta, Erik. There is one important area of Dolly Parton's life you did not mention: she championed literacy. In an age when toddlers are scrolling through Tik Tok videos, she knew the power of the written word, and made sure kids had access to books. That's as much a part of her legacy as her looks, voice, music writing, films, and musical collaborations. It is, IMHO, an heroic endeavor.

Edited to add: She contributed \$1 million toward development of Moderna's vaccine for COVID-19.
May her memory always be a blessing.

[Vileaxxe](#) - [Vileaxxe](#) 12h

I came to the comments to mention both those things. We were so tickled that we got the “Dolly Shot”.
And both my grandbabies get those books in the mail every month. They’re always enjoyable.

[Suzie Greenburg](#) - [Suzie Greenburg](#) 12h

This x 1000.

[RCS](#) - [RCS](#) 12h

300 million books distributed and counting. In lieu of flowers, they've asked for support for the
Imagination Library.

[SAMushrush](#) - [SAMushrush's Substack](#) 11h

I'm sure lots of folks will do both. I'm trying to imagine how many flowers will be sent!

[Stanta Knows](#) - [Stanta Knows](#) 12h

Do you have any links to a donation page? I went to the main site and got nowhere.

[Lblomg](#) - [Lblomg's Substack](#) 12h

<https://donate.imaginationlibrary.com/>

[Stanta Knows](#) - [Stanta Knows](#) 12h

Thanks - I just found it came back to say that.

And note they're being swamped. Got a too busy, try later message.

[nodak.5150.47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 12h

as it should be.

God Bless Saint Dolly.

[Smoke O'Possum](#) - [Smoke O'Possum](#) 12h

The good work she did will ensure she will be remembered and her legacy will continue to make the world
a better place.

[Reader](#) - [Reader](#) 12h

You lost me at pretending you can't tell what her statement about peeing where she wants means, and then
attributing it to greed rather than sincerity.

[Sister Artemis](#) - [Sister's other journal](#) 11h

no shit

PoDG follows the 92% - PoDG follows the 92% 12h

I didn't think we'd get a flounce over an obituary. Everyone be gentle with each other; we're ten years into this group nightmare.

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 12h

Criticism is not flouncing.

[PoDG follows the 92%](#) - [PoDG follows the 92%](#) 12h

Having just finished the article, the criticism is valid. Some of the framing is....a choice. Oof.

[Phried Q](#) - [Phried's Substack](#) 12h

I saw a flounce a couple of hours ago. Somebody I've never heard of said they dropped by to say they were leaving.

[Phried Q](#) - [Phried's Substack](#) 12h

The one I saw wasn't Cookie Lady. The name was Anonymous.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 12h

That was her. It changed to Anonymous before being deleted altogether.

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 12h

Thank you.

[PoDG follows the 92%](#) - [PoDG follows the 92%](#) 12h

I have no first hand knowledge. I'm just putting things together from the comments that remain.

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 12h

Yeah, I missed it too, still haven't pieced who flounced, either, as I think the post is gone.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 12h

Well, as said below it was CL. She had the same objection many of us did, just with the razor-sharp phrasing she's known for.

[PoDG follows the 92%](#) - [PoDG follows the 92%](#) 12h

It seems to be Cookie Lady. I don't know what was said or anything.

[Random](#) - [Random's Substack](#) 12h

It was OG Cookie Lady. I saw her post before it disappeared.

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 12h

DAMN IT! WHY do women keep quitting this place I wonder? I don't wonder.

[CripesAmighty](#) - [The Shoepebble](#) 12h

Oh, shit. Cookie Lady? She's a real OG wonker who just returned. That sucks.

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 12h

yeah.

Wait...am I that old here???

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 12h

damnit, she'd just resurfaced.

[Random](#) - [Random's Substack](#) 12h

I know. It hurt to see her leave so quickly after returning. But I guess the way Loomis decided to cover Dolly's passing really pissed her off.

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 12h

yeah, this was a little...not what I expected.

Got a hint from Craig that helped contextualize, but, yeahhh.

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 12h

Wannabe music critic? [not referring to Craig]

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 12h

yeah, he seems to be writing from a very niche Country Music POV here.

And fundamentally failing to understand where, when and how Dolly grew up, and how that colored her approach to life, and how she talked about things.

For someone I respect when he's talking about labor issues, this was an unforced error.

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 12h

No, there was an actual flounce earlier.

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 12h

Maybe I missed that.

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 12h

It happened in a flash. I only caught a glimpse of it.

[Ambiance Chaser](#) - [Ambiance Chaser](#) 12h

"Flounce-ette"(tm) . . .

Andy 2h

Reding this article and wondering why it feels more like LGM than Wonkette before double checking the byline. Anyway, listening to Trios right now and it's a delight

[Sister Artemis](#) - [Sister's other journal](#) 2h

You're in good company, as you will read below.

[Jeff, still got my guitar](#) - [Jeff's Substack](#) 2h

"CIA Director John Ratcliffe is in Moscow, Russia for meetings, sources familiar with the situation told CBS News Tuesday.

News of his trip comes after a U.S. Air Force Boeing C-17A Globemaster III transport plane was spotted at a Moscow airport, along with a U.S. diplomatic motorcade. Neither the U.S. nor Russian governments has commented on the identity of the U.S. official in Russia or the purpose of the visit."

So whaddya suppose that's all about?

[Pope Scipio Newburyporticus](#) - [Pope Scipio Newburyporticus](#) 2h

There's some dark rumors about Russia going after Ukraine on NATO soil.

[Birb-General of the US](#) - [Birb-General's Substack](#) 2h

They are there negotiating how to divide up the world.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 1h

Oh, how I wish you're not right...and fear you are.

[Ambiance Chaser](#) - [Ambiance Chaser](#) 2h

"Hey Putin, if you stop telling Iran where to bomb our shit, we will stop telling Ukraine where to bomb your shit, capeesh ? . . .

[Aquaman, Real Estate Investor](#) - [Aquaman, Real Estate Investor](#) 2h

These speculation it could be a prisoner swap, although it seems odd they'd send the CIA director for that.

[Stulexington](#) - [Stulexington](#) 2h

You know, unless it was a CIA agent he was swapping for.

[Ambiance Chaser](#) - [Ambiance Chaser](#) 2h

Jefferies for Kushner ? . . .

[Clammed Can Monster](#) - [Clammed Can Monster](#) 2h

Maybe they traded him for a prisoner?

[Idiot Lite](#) - [Idiot Lite](#) 2h

Flying in the USAFs (2nd) largest ship is meant to encourage talk.

[jemineye](#) 2h

Why the fuck.

Also too, what the fuck.

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 2h

it's an absolute news black hole.

That's unusual for this administration.

And Ratliff is already on his way home.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 2h

Yeah, I thought the same. The Maladministration is wicked leaky, but this nonsense has been kept under wraps.

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 2h

Nothing good.

[jemineye](#) 1h

Dolly's God-daughter.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wOwblaKmyVw>

[2Cats2Furious](#) - [2Cats2Furious's Substack](#) 1h

Here is Dolly and Miley performing together:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cR4EQ_d11BM&list=RDcR4EQ_d11BM&start_radio=1

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 2h

She does a lovely cover!

[Reader](#) - [Reader](#) 2h

I think that's when I started to cotton to the girl. And I do love wrecking ball.

[jemineye](#) 2h

I love Miley. She's been through a LOT as a person, and she just keeps getting more polished.

Like a diamond.

I'm not really into her music all that much except for a few songs, but I very much respect her as a woman gracefully making her way in the world under extremely trying circumstances.

[FrancescoTheMagnificent](#) - [FrancescoTheMagnificent](#) 1h

Gregg Allman thought she had a lot of talent & said he was excited to see where she'd go in her career. Good enough for me.

One thing I've learned about music - there's always someone out there with better ears than you who can hear things that you'll miss the first, second, third or tenth time. So keep your mouth shut & your ears open for whatever good music comes your way - no matter where or who it comes from.

In other words, don't be too in love with your own opinions. Music itself is much more interesting than music criticism.

[Carstonio](#) 1h

Some of my favorite work from her is on the Trio album. Like with the O Brother Where Art Thou soundtrack, I'm not going to let my disagreements over the theology and theodicy stop me from enjoying damn good music.

[Napoleon](#) - [Napoleon](#) 12h

My daughter got her first book from Dolly last week, so I really like her. Also Why'd You Come in Here Looking Like That is an all-time song.

[Our Man In Redneckistan](#) - [Our Man In Redneckistan](#) 12h

Women's desire is more of a blues trope, which makes that song brilliant.

[Napoleon](#) - [Napoleon](#) 12h

That's something I appreciate about the current era of country music. We got the lonely with a capital H.

[2Cats2Furious](#) - [2Cats2Furious's Substack](#) 12h

I ❤️ Kacey Musgraves.

People who assume that all country artists are MAGA need to meet a few more country artists.

[Mighty Little Dog](#) - [Mighty's Substack](#) 12h

Boycott Starbucks, if you don't already.

The union representing thousands of Starbucks workers has called on consumers to boycott the coffee chain, the latest escalation in a yearslong battle for a first contract.

Starbucks Workers United said Tuesday it was "calling on everyone who supports working people" not to patronize the company's corporate-owned stores until it reaches a collective bargaining agreement. The campaign, which is part of the union Workers United, insisted it was left with "no other choice."

[Suzie Greenburg](#) - [Suzie Greenburg](#) 12h

Yeah, the foot dragging is the new union busting.

[Zyomma](#) - [Zyomma's Substack](#) 12h

I've been boycotting them for more than 20 years.

[Suzie Greenburg](#) - [Suzie Greenburg](#) 12h

It's pretty easy as their product tastes burnt to a crisp. Much like Dunkin Donuts, when you don't dump a ton of sugar in it it's just bad coffee.

[FrancescoTheMagnificent](#) - [FrancescoTheMagnificent](#) 11h

There needs to be many more La Colombe cafes out there.

[Birb-General of the US](#) - [Birb-General's Substack](#) 12h

This would be an incredible opportunity for a competing coffee chain that pays higher wages.

[jemineye](#) 12h

Also too, their coffee sucks!

[Diane's Less Hostile Username](#) 12h

Official!

[Mighty Little Dog - Mighty's Substack](#) 12h

Spread the word. Fuck Starbucks. That's the thing with all these dudebro fucking companies. Paying people decently, even generously, would pinch the bottom line a couple percentage points, like who cares? But being generous and sharing the earned wealth, you'd be loved and venerated!

[Goin Green - Goin's Substack](#) 12h

OK cosmos...

We concede to you a woman who was born into poverty and became a worldwide legend. Not only a self-made musical genius, but also a brilliant business executive...

but now you gotta come get a man who was born into wealth and became a worldwide laughing stock. Not only an idiot, but also a horrible business executive...

If you need any ideas, I got a list.

[jemineye](#) 12h

I told a friend via text today: "Definitely the WRONG 80 year old."

[jemineye](#) 8m

This is a phenomenal tribute, Mr. Loomis. Just lovely.



[Idiot Lite - Idiot Lite](#) 2h

Jolene slowed down:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CMrfM711vXI>

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 2h

Has someone posted the Beyonce version with Dolly's introduction yet?

[Up Here in the Clouds - Up Here in the Clouds](#) 2h

Not that I have seen yet....

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 1h

Thanks, 'm going to try to link it; making substack do what I'd like is not my strong point.

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 1h

I understand your frustration. I don't even try on my brand spanking 2026 phone anymore. But I can attach pictures to notes there.

My beat up five year old tablet? Usually links anything I want. Except pictures or videos to notes....

[jemineye](#) 2h

I remember finding this some years ago and being blown away at how it still works.

It's just such a perfect song.

[Richard Von Busack](#) - [Richard Von Busack](#) 13h

A very shrewd, judicious and unsentimental account of her career. I'm devastated by her death, but every word of this is true.

[Reader](#) - [Reader](#) 12h

If there's ever a time to be shrewd, judicious and unsentimental, the day someone dies is def it. I hope when I die I get a nice shrewd write-up.

[2Cats2Furious](#) - [2Cats2Furious's Substack](#) 12h

Obviously, when I wrote the obituary of my cat last week, I did it wrong.

https://substack.com/@2cats2furious/note/c-319254395?r=2knok4&utm_source=notes-share-action&utm_medium=web

[Reader](#) - [Reader](#) 11h

You did err on not mentioning his felinity, such as a penchant for scratching furniture or knocking glasses off tables....

Joking aside, I am sorry you lost your boy. It's awful how hard it is. He was a sleek beauty.

[Suzie Greenburg](#) - [Suzie Greenburg](#) 12h

Lol

[Curiouser&Curiouser](#) - [Curiouser&Curiouser](#) 13h

As one of The Ghey, I have to strongly disagree with this article's characterization of her support for LGBTQ rights as being tepid or in any way inauthentic. She has been an ally for decades and I, for one, will always appreciate that. Considering her background and fan base, her advocacy was nothing short of astounding.

[RCS](#) - [RCS](#) 12h

Everything about this post just screams 'Edgelord.'

This community deserved a better tribute to someone like Dolly.

[Reader](#) - [Reader](#) 12h

Agreed. It's absurd.

[Our Man In Redneckistan](#) - [Our Man In Redneckistan](#) 12h

In 1982, my mentor was chair of the New York County Democrats. He did a press conference on the steps of City Hall and said since gay votes count the same as straight votes, the position of the Party was for equal rights, and any members who didn't like that could go out and make new friends to hang out with.

Dolly beat him by five years.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 2h

Erik, I appreciated that you wrote with such depth and obvious deep care about her music, and her place in country and American music. It seems you actually listened to her music, and not just 5 or 10 hit songs churned up by playlists and formulaic radio. Thanks for that.

Is someone else doing a story about Dolly's philanthropy? Would be nice to see that explored.

[Smoke O'Possum](#) - [Smoke O'Possum](#) 2h

We can seize the means of nice times

<https://imaginationlibrary.com/>

*updated nice link

[Suzie Greenburg](#) - [Suzie Greenburg](#) 2h

Nice.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 2h

Thank you, Comrade Smoke!

[Birb-General of the US](#) - [Birb-General's Substack](#) 2h

I mean look at those numbers. They're just staggering.

[R. Riddle](#) - [R.'s Substack](#) 13h

I just made a thing to be servicey.

Have you seen these weird ads on Facebook or social media about suing AI companies over use of your blog posts or other content for training AI models?

I investigated and the trail led to a shitty legal contract, a tech bro with a law degree in Texas, NFTs, venture capital firms ... and Bill Murray.

It's rather bizarre and you might want to alert people you know who are writers, content creators, or connected with unions like the WGA. And maybe the Bar Association in Texas.

What's the deal with the Copymight Coalition and AI lawsuits?

I clicked on a ubiquitous social media ad and saw where it leads so you don't have to.

<https://coolcatdaddy.substack.com/p/whats-the-deal-with-the-copyright>

[Rags](#) - [Rags](#) 11h

One thing the author doesn't mention is that the address associated with the site is a cheap subdivision house surrounded by dirt

[Warren - Warren](#) 12h

Thanks. Forwarded your research to my niece, member of the WGA. The hustlers are everywhere. Makes me long for the good old days of vanity presses. She is worried that

while the WGA was on strike, contract workers in Kenya were copying her oeuvre into LLMs for \$2 an hour in order for the studios to rip her off. 🙄🙄🙄🙄 that California blocks the Paramount Warner merger.

[R. Riddle - R.'s Substack](#) 12h

Thanks for forwarding this. I hope the WGA leadership sees it. I have a feeling there's going to be some gullible content creators that sign one of the contracts that will cause big headaches for them if they do wind up getting interest from a studio or publisher in their work eventually.

[Diane's Less Hostile Username](#) 12h

I have seen those on IG.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul - IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 13h

Wha??? who's the Texas tech bro with a JD? Did he actually go to Tech?

[Warren - Warren](#) 12h

Clearly not a Red Raider. Bet he doesn't know where the Buddy Holly Museum is!

[IncognitoTXusLibrul - IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 12h

I'm honestly still mad at Abbott for fucking up the Buddy Holly glasses crosswalk as collateral damage in his war against teh geys.

[Birb-General of the US - Birb-General's Substack](#) 13h

She invested a lot of time, money, and political capital, if you can call it that, on her program to fight illiteracy among children. It made a tangible difference in millions of people's lives.

[Les Bontemps - Les Bontemps](#) 13h

She had something of a comeback in 1987 with the release of Trio, her album with Emmylou Harris and Linda Ronstadt.

This was the single greatest country supergroup that has ever existed or ever will. I will die on this hill.

[R. Riddle - R.'s Substack](#) 12h

I remember when "Trio" came out and it was a breath of fresh air, a traditional country album that tapped into an unrealized market saturated with bland Nashville big production music. It was a smart move by all three women involved and still holds up as a great piece of work.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul - IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 13h

But what about Pancho and Lefty?

Don't worry, the bus is here to take me back to the old crank's home.

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 13h

And 1987 was an absolutely shit year for music. Snakefinger had his second and fatal heart attack, and Jaco got beaten to death.

[Demme Epstein Fatale](#) - [Demme Epstein Fatale](#) 13h

I think I'm glad that I didn't read this.

[Diane's Less Hostile Username](#) 12h

Me, too!

[Smoke O'Possum](#) - [Smoke O'Possum](#) 13h

The most important takeaway is fuck Allen Jackson, but that's really an evergreen statement.

[PoDG follows the 92%](#) - [PoDG follows the 92%](#) 12h

Fuck Ted Cruz!

[Smoke O'Possum](#) - [Smoke O'Possum](#) 12h

Him too! They're both still wasting oxygen and Dolly's gone. 2026 sucks.

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 13h

“Living on Love” is pretty good. “Where were you on 9/11?” was a little over the top, but Springsteen has also written some clunkers.

Alan Jackson was the country version of Nickleback.

[Smoke O'Possum](#) - [Smoke O'Possum](#) 12h

I repeat, fuck Allen Jackson.

I worked in the juke box business in central Wisconsin in the 90s. Shania Twain can also eat my whole ass.

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 13h

You spelled “John Rich” wrong.

[Smoke O'Possum](#) - [Smoke O'Possum](#) 13h

Fuck that guy, whatever he prefers to be called. He's a hack.

[DJ Teetop](#) - [DJ's Substack](#) 13h

Dolly Parton is

Dead, Donald Trump isn't; there

Is no law anymore

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 13h



[ciaobella](#) - [ciaobella](#) 2h

Even that fucking guy managed to sound magnanimous, for once, in recognizing her passing.

[Demme Epstein Fatale](#) - [Demme Epstein Fatale](#) 2h

Doesn't want to lose a single vote.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 2h

Likely because those weren't his words.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 2h

He thinks it will shore up the red state trash vote.

[Helen Van Patterson Patton](#) - [Helen Van Patterson Patton](#) 13h

Dolly was better than this article.

[2Cats2Furious](#) - [2Cats2Furious's Substack](#) 12h



[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 13h

Linus Dog agrees!

[https://substackcdn.com/image/fetch/\\$s_!1LJw!.f_auto,q_auto:good,fl_progressive:steep/https%3A%2F%2Fsubstack-post-media.s3.amazonaws.com%2Fpublic%2Fimages%2F30bcdb33-7889-47f2-a566-87501ee1c6ff_2016x1512.jpeg](https://substackcdn.com/image/fetch/$s_!1LJw!.f_auto,q_auto:good,fl_progressive:steep/https%3A%2F%2Fsubstack-post-media.s3.amazonaws.com%2Fpublic%2Fimages%2F30bcdb33-7889-47f2-a566-87501ee1c6ff_2016x1512.jpeg)

[Demme Epstein Fatale](#) - [Demme Epstein Fatale](#) 12h

Noble beast on a gorgeous quilt!

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 12h

Shush! You're going to give him a big head!

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 12h

Tigger joins Linus in his side eye!

<https://substack.com/@uphereintheclouds842485/note/c-322748431>

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 12h

Doggos always know the truly good people.

Also, too, I love his skeptical look. And his pretty window view!

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 12h

The first involved human food, and him not getting a taste (it was either chocolate or spicy)

The second was at Roaring Fork Motor Nature Trail off the Gatlinburg main drag. We saw bear cubs once there and he always watches for more!

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 12h

He spotted a forest doggo!

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 12h

He wanted to play with them soooooo badly!!!

Didn't realize how far down the window was until he tried to wiggle out!!!

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 12h

I love this!

[Clammed Can Monster](#) - [Clammed Can Monster](#) 12h

Speaking of dogs: Crackerjack

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=52_KHzbMGRU

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 12h



Tigger was a rescue too.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 12h



Linus was a rescue.

[Helen Van Patterson Patton](#) - [Helen Van Patterson Patton](#) 13h

He's so gorgeous!

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 12h

How be my buddy Chomp?

[Helen Van Patterson Patton](#) - [Helen Van Patterson Patton](#) 12h

Still growing! 🥰

[Russell Jones](#) - [Russell's Substack](#) 13h

Linus makes it look as though that bed was custom designed for him, but hey, all dogs make all beds look that way.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 13h

As far as Linus and my parents are concerned, that bed *is* his.

Once upon a time, it was mine 🥳

[Smoke O'Possum](#) - [Smoke O'Possum](#) 13h

She made a point of spreading her money around. I think her generosity was her greatest strength; she shared her joy.

[BosGrI](#) - [BosGrI's Substack](#) 13h

Ffs, I can't find my work laptop and it hasn't left the house since June.

I'm going to bed. Good night, all.

[Ambiance Chaser](#) - [Ambiance Chaser](#) 12h

If a laptop truly loves you, it will come home . . .

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 13h

Some days the only reasonable answer is to admit defeat and strategically retreat.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 13h

Sleep well :)

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 13h

Once again, fuck cancer

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/entertainment/general/dolly-parton-cause-of-death-revealed/ar-AA2aVPdQ?ocid=BingNewsSerp>

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

It just needs a better targeting system, if you know what I mean.

[Lblomg](#) - [Lblomg's Substack](#) 3h

https://share.earthcam.net/empirestatebuilding.tJ90CoLmq7TzrY396Yd88Ge1vZASe-fX80BJNUUBX2c/empire_state_building/empire_state_building/live

Pink sparkles 🌸 to honor Dolly.

[GarbageMan](#) - [V's Substack](#) 3h

This is one of those stories that seems like it's made up but it's not . . . it was actually a Dolly drag contest, but it's still very weird . . .

Sorry, xcancel is out . . . if you wanna see the photos, you'll need to jump in the X sewer 🤢 . . .

[Creepy.org](#) @creepdotorg

Dolly Parton once secretly entered a Dolly Parton lookalike contest at a gay bar in Los Angeles.

She lost to a drag queen.

3:46 PM · Aug 25, 2026

<https://x.com/creepdotorg/status/2092337855238402457>

[Prometheus59650](#) - [Prometheus59650](#) 3h

She came in third.

[30 characters max](#) - [30 characters max](#) 3h

Tears of Joy!!

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 2h

Hey, that's show biz. I bet the impersonator did look more like Dolly than Dolly. Vocal imitators have been known to accomplish that feat.

[vorpai 86...47... hut hut hut](#) - [vorpai 86...47... hut hut hut](#) 13h

WaPo seems to have unpaywalled their Dolly Obit which details her vast charitable and philanthropic works:

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/obituaries/2026/08/25/dolly-parton-country-music-singer-cultural-icon-dies-80/>

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

Too much of this was omitted in the post here.

[vorpai 86...47... hut hut hut](#) - [vorpai 86...47... hut hut hut](#) 13h

that's why I posted it, specifically because of this line:

"Fundamentally, Dolly's vision of the world is apolitical dreams of everyone getting along while they forked over their cash. I'm not really that critical of her here, but it's hard for me to see her as the icon of tolerance that a lot of people want to define her as. There's no just no sense of any strongly held belief at all except for love and America and money. Maybe there's nothing wrong with that. She could have said that Tennessee attacking trans people was wrong. She didn't."

[2Cats2Furious](#) - [2Cats2Furious's Substack](#) 12h

Agreed. We could have had a nice celebration of her music, her movies, her treatment of others, her philanthropic work, etc.

Now I'm sad about her passing, and pissed off that Wonkette ran this.

[vorpai 86...47... hut hut hut](#) - [vorpai 86...47... hut hut hut](#) 12h

thats 2 for 2 now with Dominic's inexplicable attack on Formula 1 that had absolutely no connection to Trump's car race in Washington.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

Yeah, that part bothered me as well.

[shivaskeeper](#) - [shivaskeeper](#) 13h

I always understood the question of what do you think of Whitney Houston covering I Will Always Love You to have been loaded with subtext.

She recorded it in 1992 IIRC. Ain't no Black people in Country music and that's the way it should be. Very few in metal, as it should be. Those people have their own radio stations. They get a separate block of time on MTV. I remember the endless complaints about having to listen to that (slur) music all the time. They do that rap shit and no one wants to hear it outside of that rap shit.

I always saw the question translated as, "What do you, Dolly Parton, country music Diva, think about one of those people recording your song?" I thought her answer translated to, "I don't care. Why should you care? I own the rights, so I make a cut, but why do you care who recorded it?"

The subtext was racism, in case you missed it.

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 12h

Charley Pride has entered the conversation. (Leaving aside Old Town Road, as I hope we all do.) Lots of Cowboys were Black and Native American. It was low-paying, dangerous work, and if you were a freedman who could ride a horse and couldn't read, it was a living. (Source: It's Your Misfortune and None of My Own.) What irks me no end is that the genre used to be called Country & Western, with singers like Bob Wills and His Texas Playboys doing Western Swing. (Thanks Waylon, cause in San Antonio, the land of corridos, Bob Wills is still the King in the smaller towns with the ice houses. It's got a good beat, it's easy to two step to. What's Line Dancing?). But Dolly Parton stayed fresh through all the changes, and she was never snarky about anyone.

[shivaskeeper](#) - [shivaskeeper](#) 12h

On the music scene, things had changed by the 1990's. Maybe it was just my corner of the north east, but it wasn't just there.

I'm also well aware of actual cowboy culture and history. Including how vaqueros influence North American cowboys in everything from riding styles, working skills and roping, even the clothes worn.

[Pauly2coffees](#) - [Pauly2coffees's Substack](#) 13h

Black people have always loved country music, and some soul is heavily influenced by it and vice-versa.

["M"](#) - ["M"](#) 13h

"Ain't no Black people in Country music and that's the way it should be"

This always makes me want to laugh in Big Time Nashville's face

If there were no Charley Pride and no Ray Charles, they would NOT HAVE CAREERS

full stop

That ... just don't get me started on that

[Suzie Greenburg](#) - [Suzie Greenburg](#) 12h

Nods along

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 12h



[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 13h

That was actually one of the few socially survivable ways to challenge segregation back in the bad old days. There were many, many people who didn't like it, but couldn't risk their jobs, lives, kid's welfare, etc. Many women could only speak that way, or risk getting beat by their husbands or fathers, or socially ostracized, which was its own very effective punishment.

[Our Man In Redneckistan](#) - [Our Man In Redneckistan](#) 13h

Um...you know that Black people helped invent country music, right? Leadbelly?

["M" - "M"](#) 12h

Not enough people do

<https://www.wonkette.com/p/hello-im-dolly/comment/322746496>

Big Nashville did what the current regime is trying to do, and almost everyone toes the party line

[CripesAmighty - The Shoepebble](#) 12h

Goodnight, Irene.

[Pauly2coffees - Pauly2coffees's Substack](#) 12h

The distinction was the invention of Billboard Magazine.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul - IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 13h

Yes, but they quickly got written out of it because the 40's and 50's had politics and political thinking just as subtle and refined as the over the air broadcasts of black and white TV.

Hell, Hispanics hadn't even been invented yet. (This is satire, not stated as fact)

[shivaskeeper - shivaskeeper](#) 13h

Yes. I do.

That's how i read the subtext of the question.

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan - Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 13h

Fair. I got my back up for a second there, but I'm in my feelings tonight

[IncognitoTXusLibrul - IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 11h

I think a lot of us are, and not just because of Dolly. This decade is exhausting. And demoralizing.

[Rhizolith Reborn - Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

Are you implying that white people then somehow stole it?

Why do you hate America?

[Prometheus59650 - Prometheus59650](#) 13h

White people stealing from other cultures?

Got a lotta nerve with that accusation.

[Rhizolith Reborn - Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

We should just flounce right out of here in righteous indignation

[Prometheus59650 - Prometheus59650](#) 13h

Dolly also made it clear that she loved Houston's version on its merits and said that Whitney bought to the song things that she never could have.

[shivaskeeper](#) - [shivaskeeper](#) 13h

I always read her answer as a genteel "Fuck you for asking" because she wouldn't say something like that out loud.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

Very much this.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

Class act all the way

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 12h

The accordion is a country and western instrument, along with the autoharp (Mother Maybelle Carter), and a true Western Singer can Yodel like Jimmy Rogers. (Swedish Lutheran Cowboys have a version of the Streets of Laredo in Swedish, if you care to look up the folk music catalogues.) I would hope that there are also Western Songs in Lakota that I haven't heard yet.

[G-7 in Space](#) - [Michael's Substack](#) 13h

MTV Was famously hostile to black groups and singers...

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

The scene in Michale where the records exec kicks them in the nuts was great.

[shivaskeeper](#) - [shivaskeeper](#) 13h

As were various radio stations. As were multitudes of fans of other genres. I remember the the backlash when people saw what Living Color looked like as an example. Why won't those people just stay out?

[Carstonio](#) 13h

Didn't realize the backlash against Living Colour was so large. But then most of the other metal fans I knew were also musicians, respecting Vernon Reid as a guitarist. Saw them on a free MTV college tour and they were amazing.

[G-7 in Space](#) - [Michael's Substack](#) 13h

It was disgusting after the 70's promoted Black music and musicians - Motown, Funk and R&B were popular ...

[Oy!](#) - [Oy!](#) 3h

I was standing in line at a liquor store this afternoon and the man in front of me bought a pack of Marlboros. The clerk said something to him which sounded like \$16.29.

When it was my turn I asked her the price of Marlboros. Yikes. I used to smoke but geez . . .

[good_duck](#) 2h

I was never a smoker, but I remember that there was a cigarette machine in the lobby at my first job that sold them for \$0.65 a pack. Minimum wage, which is what I made, was then \$2.20/hour. I don't see how any high school student can afford to start smoking now, which is probably on the whole a good thing.

[Rhizolith Reborn - Rhizolith's Substack](#) 2h

They all vape

[vorpall 86...47...hut hut hut - vorpall 86...47...hut hut hut](#) 2h

same as downtown

[Our Man In Redneckistan - Our Man In Redneckistan](#) 3h

\$16.29 buys me a bag of shake tobacco and enough cigarette tubes for eight days.

[Oy! - Oy!](#) 2h

"cigarette tubes"

My parents had a device – I think they saw it advertised on the TV.

Found it! "The Laredo Cigarette Machine" <https://www.irememberjfk.com/the-laredo-cigarette-machine/> - it sort of worked.

[nodak. 5150 47 - nodak's Substack](#) 3h

\$20, here in Chicago.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul - IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 3h

For 1 pack? Jeez, hard drugs are cheaper down here...

[Prometheus59650 - Prometheus59650](#) 3h

Dolly on "The Orville"

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HVTbL5smcfk&list=RDHVTbL5smcfk&start_radio=1

[Rhizolith Reborn - Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

OT

"Panicked farmers engulfed in 'crisis' as they stare down years of pain due to Trump"

"American farmers are bracing for two years of pain as fallout from President Donald Trump's war with Iran collides with an unresolved trade war and a punishing Midwest drought, six months into a conflict that has upended the cost of running a farm.

A study by the American Farm Bureau Federation found growers of the nation's nine principal row crops are on track to lose more than \$31 billion this year and \$32 billion in 2027 – which would mark the sixth straight year of losses on their most important crops – even after federal aid,"

""The [Iran] war has made so much uncertainty for us as farmers," said Pam Johnson, who farms in northern Iowa and is a former president of the National Corn Growers Association. "It's projected that farmers aren't going to make any money for the next two years."

AFBF economist Faith Parum projects corn producers will lose \$131 an acre this year and \$167 in 2027, while soybean growers face losses of \$80 and \$138 an acre."

"Since Trump launched the U.S. attack on Iran in February, slowed tanker traffic through the Strait of Hormuz has pushed crude above \$110 a barrel. Anhydrous ammonia, the Corn Belt's dominant nitrogen fertilizer,

jumped 36 percent, from \$828 to \$1,123 a ton, University of Illinois economists found. Diesel has climbed to \$5.45 a gallon nationally, up from \$3.81 before the war."

Chapter 12 farm bankruptcies still rose 46 percent nationally in 2025, with Midwest filings up 70 percent.

China has resumed soybean purchases under a deal reached after a Trump-Xi summit, but accounted for less than 30 percent of U.S. soybean exports from September through March — roughly half its pre-trade-war share."

"Trump has also angered ranchers by waiving tariffs on 300,000 metric tons of imported beef"

And yet, every one of these pig fuckers will line up to vote for PABs illegal third term.

[Ambiance Chaser](#) - [Ambiance Chaser](#) 12h

If you can't read a room, how the hell are you able to plant crops ? . . .

 [SUSE](#)  - [Suse's Substack](#) 13h

As of April 2023, the suicide rate within the farming community exceeds that of the general population by three and a half times.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Farmers%27_suicides_in_the_United_States

[Mighty Little Dog](#) - [Mighty's Substack](#) 13h

And yet I feel nothing. Ask for forgiveness, you fucking idiots.

[Prometheus59650](#) - [Prometheus59650](#) 13h

Oh, and C12 bankruptcies are nice, soft reorganization deals that require said farmers to sell neither livestock nor equipment.

Chapter 7 liquidations would be the story.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

Give it time

[Our Man In Redneckistan](#) - [Our Man In Redneckistan](#) 13h

Whelp.

[BosGrI](#) - [BosGrI's Substack](#) 13h

This is probably what Trump wants. He probably has Big Ag whispering in his ear; if only they could buy up the small farms.

I don't know. I don't know anything about farming.

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 12h

Agribusiness, Feed Lots, Maintaining a 2:1 assets to liabilities ratio. All about rolling over the bank loan against the value of the land and buying crop insurance so that a drought doesn't wipe the agriculture operator out. As the prime rate goes up, because the deficit and the national debt go up, rolling over a loan means a bigger monthly payment. Sucks to be in agriculture nowadays, because illegal immigrants were a source of labor in meat packing plants, dairy farms, and truck fruit and vegetable operations. Better just to let deer run on your property and let big city slickers do hunts from blinds than to try and raise cattle or crops.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 13h

Not every one.

[2Cats2Furious](#) - [2Cats2Furious's Substack](#) 13h

I grew up in Iowa, during which time it was a purple state. It will be interesting to see what happens in the governor's and U.S. Senate races in November.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

Nothing. They will do the same dumb fuck ignorant shit they always do and then stand there with the nerve to act surprised when things go bad.

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 12h

God Guns Abortion and Tax Cuts.

[Prometheus59650](#) - [Prometheus59650](#) 13h

They'll keep voting for the people that hurt them, as they have always done.

[Megrim Twist](#) 13h

Picture it: Carnegie Hall, 1993. A man yelled "I love you, Dolly!" She replied, "Daddy I told you to wait in the truck." This concert was a life highlight, and she blew the roof off the dump with her banjo pickin'.

[Suzie Greenburg](#) - [Suzie Greenburg](#) 12h

That's awesome

[Random](#) - [Random's Substack](#) 13h

Here's all I'll say about Dolly.

She was human. She was just as flawed as any human. She made mistakes. But from where I sit, however many mistakes she made or flaws she possessed will ultimately be outweighed by all the good she accomplished in her life. The world is lesser for her absence but let that not be reason to try and make the world a better place as Dolly did. One person at a time.

May Dolly Parton's spirit forever glitter. Beyond the Time.

[Jeffrey K Heintz](#) 3h

9 to 5 is better

[Russell Jones](#) - [Russell's Substack](#) 3h

I DID in fact have "Mike Lindell Refuses to Pay for the Discretionary Recount he Ordered" on my bingo card.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 3h

The amount of crack that can be purchased for the cost of the recount will be both too much and too little.

[Russell Jones](#) - [Russell's Substack](#) 3h

lol

\$825K is a whole lotta rock. :D

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 2h

He's probably in hock to his dealer for twice that.

[Tasner Hasenpfeffer](#) - [Tasner Hasenpfeffer](#) 3h

But he's still demanding a recount, right? Please tell me he's demanding a recount he refuses to pay for!

[Clammed Can Monster](#) - [Clammed Can Monster](#) 3h

Better: Now he's suing. Apparently, the recount was only going to do results for the top 2, he wants them ALL recounted.

[Russell Jones](#) - [Russell's Substack](#) 3h

lol

He's got over 45,000 votes to make up. Limiting the recall to one race in one state ain't gonna cut it! :D

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 1h

MN State Board of Canvassers make the rules and they intend to keep it thataway/What's good for General Bull Moose, is good for the USA.

[Ambiance Chaser](#) - [Ambiance Chaser](#) 13h

A review of a wonderful life without checking some egregious projections at the door . . .

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 13h

Cool. Now do the rest of the league.

Sky ban Kanter Freedom from arena after clash with Cloud

https://www.espn.com/wnba/story/_/id/49725856/sky-ban-kanter-freedom-arena-clash-cloud

[Ambiance Chaser](#) - [Ambiance Chaser](#) 13h

"Sky says don't clash with cloud, news at 11:00" . . .

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 12h

They reserve the right to revoke seating. Written in tiny print on the back of every ticket. Don't jump up on stage and start dancing with Dolly or Tina or Mick. Not every singer is David Lee Roth.

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 13h

<https://www.wonkette.com/p/ex-nba-player-teams-up-with-wingnut>

[Fartknocker](#) - [Fartknocker](#) 13h

I'll point out that Willie Nelson is still alive and doing well. I suspect it's the green, leafy plants with THC.

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 13h

Willie has specifically said he would have drank himself to death were it not for weed.

[You Should Ice That Burn](#) - [In case of emergency break glas...](#) 13h

Correlation isn't causation but don't Bogart that joint!

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

Have you even read the literature NORML puts out?

[You Should Ice That Burn](#) - [In case of emergency break glas...](#) 13h

I have been handed flyers on the Mall in DC decades ago.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

They used to make some truly insane claims. I always pointed out to my friends that were members that a few, sane facts would be more than enough to o persuade most people.

[Mighty Little Dog](#) - [Mighty's Substack](#) 13h

Bob Dylan also persists

[Lblomg](#) - [Lblomg's Substack](#) 13h

Also Mel Brooks

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 13h

As does Joni Mitchell.

[SUSE](#) - [Suse's Substack](#) 13h

And Emmylou, but poor Linda isn't doing at all well.

[Mighty Little Dog](#) - [Mighty's Substack](#) 13h

But she got to be freaking Linda Ronstadt.

[2Cats2Furious](#) - [2Cats2Furious's Substack](#) 13h

I really don't understand why the Wonkette obituary of Dolly Freakin' Parton decided to frame it as, essentially, that Dolly was more interested in making money than she was in making great music. Was she supposed to work for free and be a struggling artist her whole life? Was she not supposed to change her musical style to evolve with the times?

Why no mention at all of her philanthropic work???

Look, if you want to go after Kelsey Grammer for saying we should do away with Social Security, obviously have at it. But I'm very disappointed that *this* is the obituary of Dolly Parton that Wonkette decided to run.

[Suzie Greenburg](#) - [Suzie Greenburg](#) 12h

Women who are superstars are treated as less than. Not caring about their art, when they clearly do, called mercenary with a buT SHe waS a gOOD BusineSSwoMan as a fig leaf. Fuck that noise.

[Mad Ophelia](#) - [Mad Ophelia](#) 13h

It does seem like an odd choice. The bit about her writing different styles of music being a cash grab instead of an artist exploring new ideas rubbed me especially wrong. Yes, it can be disappointing when an artist whose work you appreciate moves on to something else, but they're artists, and the good ones don't keep banging out the same thing forever.

[Suzie Greenburg](#) - [Suzie Greenburg](#) 12h

Good artists change. One trick ponies do not. You don't have to love all of their styles to love their work. This comes off as a guy who works at a record store asking me if I know "any of their GOOD stuff before they got famous."

Pass.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 13h

I have wondered if we at Wonkette are so Political, capital intended, that we miss things because the statements aren't direct enough or strong enough or tapped straight into our veins enough to hit. And if we don't get it straight into the vein, in direct words and insults that sate our righteous anger, that we then grouse about, miserable in our mild discontent, like a stray dog who found a bit of a burger in a discarded wrapper but is still hungry.

I think we can forget that many people are either not that political, or are not able or eager to create fights. Dolly's gentle approach of modeling good behavior rather than criticizing bad behavior is a very common tactic among a certain kind of woman from Appalachia and/or the South. Power was wielded subtly, rather than from the barrel of a gun, or a hammer, or a ban hammer. I think the effectiveness of that approach is shown rather powerfully by the outpouring of global grief at her loss and joy at her life. Snark is WONDERFUL...but it is not the only means of expression, nor the only effective one.

[2Cats2Furious](#) - [2Cats2Furious's Substack](#) 12h

It felt like a critique based on who the author wanted Dolly to be, as opposed to who she actually was.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 12h

I get that. I think we in 2026 are too quick to judge realities so different in 1946 or 1966 or even 1986. Having lived through a couple of those, reality was so different it almost defies description. I believe nostalgia exists in part to smooth over what might be meltdown inducing cognitive dissonance otherwise.

[Our Man In Redneckistan](#) - [Our Man In Redneckistan](#) 13h

It's classist. Growing up with nothing never leaves you, so you learn to be a hustler to survive.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 13h

It's also very realistic. Those who grew up poor do not have rich family to fall back on. They have to build their own security, and security for generations above and below them. Calling someone who

works hard and focuses on profit a 'hustler' may be a bit much...although in fairness I'm tired and had a bad day. Didn't want to see Larry Flynt in my mind's eye compared to Dolly, even accidentally.

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 13h

A comparison with Larry Flynt was not something I even thought of. I withdraw.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 13h

Sorry, wasn't trying to leave a bad taste in your mouth. I'll withdraw too.

Are we even now? Still friends?

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 13h

Zero static. The fault was my own.

[2Cats2Furious](#) - [2Cats2Furious's Substack](#) 13h

Oh, I understand. My dad is around Dolly's age (he turns 82 next week), and he grew up the son of immigrant farmers. No indoor plumbing when he was a kid, lots of hard work to make a go of it. I learned very quickly to be frugal, and it's a hard habit to shake.

[IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) - [IncognitoTXusLibrul](#) 12h

My mother's stories of the Depression, while treated like jokes when we were kids, were absolutely fucking harrowing when reexamined as an adult.

And her main point is they--our family-- weren't that bad off. Other people had it worse.

They're all way too fat and sassy and well fed in O Brother Where Art Thou...except for the kid with the shotgun firing to scare off the men from the bank, men there to serve papers, and census takers.

[Lblomg](#) - [Lblomg's Substack](#) 13h

The stereogum write up below will cleanse your palate.

[2Cats2Furious](#) - [2Cats2Furious's Substack](#) 13h

Yes, I needed that. I would still rather see more about her philanthropic work - although my fellow Wonkers have covered that pretty well.

[Random](#) - [Random's Substack](#) 13h

That seems to be the general consensus. One I agree with.

[Carstonio](#) 13h

When so many entertainers familiar to my generation have aged into reactionary grumps, Dolly was a wonderful example of using fame to promote social good, through both her attitude and her charity work.

Fitting that the song that began her pop stardom is about righteous class resentment:

<https://stereogum.com/2081640/the-number-ones-dolly-partons-9-to-5/columns/the-number-ones>

[Lblomg](#) - [Lblomg's Substack](#) 3h

Just found out my Walgreens pharmacy is closed temporarily. What the hell does that mean? Grrr. At least I only have a couple of scripts

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 3h

Could be staffing issues. Pharmacists and pharm techs do not have to put up with any bullshit as they can usually just stroll in anywhere else for a jerb.

[AthenaH2SO4](#) - [Queen City Love Story](#) 3h

Very likely. Walgreens has become a notoriously terrible place to work, and they've had a really hard time keeping pharmacy staff.

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 1h

One medication error and somebody dies. I don't blame them. Terse Nurse will agree that doctors and nurses depend on pharmacists to do their job and get it right the first time.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 3h

LOL Like I said, they simply don't need to put up with that shit

[AthenaH2SO4](#) - [Queen City Love Story](#) 3h

I'm honestly not sure wtf Walgreen's current business model is. No floor staff, lock everything behind plastic because you have no floor staff to discourage shoplifting so now nobody want to shop there because they have to wait ten minutes for someone to let them get some godsdamn face wipes, piss off your pharmacy staff. and complain about how your company is underperforming? The Underpants Gnomes were smarter businesspeople.

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 1h

Run a convenience store and compete with Dollar General. I miss the soda fountain and the restaraunts.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 3h

Is some VC company bleeding them dry?

[AthenaH2SO4](#) - [Queen City Love Story](#) 3h

Maybe? It's the only thing that kind of makes sense.

[Diane's Less Hostile Username](#) 3h

Dang, that stinks. Walgreens is really good at transferring between their stores.

[nodak. 5150 47](#) - [nodak's Substack](#) 3h

OT

huh, not quite sure if this is a good times or not.

Chicago cops don't have a real good record in clearing cases like this, buuut???

<https://chicago.suntimes.com/immigration/2026/08/25/marimar-martinez-ice-border-patrol-midway-blitz-chicago-police-cpd>

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 3h

They know how to frame the shit out of people if they're motivated.

[GarbageMan](#) - [V's Substack](#) 13h

Because how can you even be a real celebrity if you ain't on 'The Simpsons'? 🤔 (short video included) . . .

Mike Scully @scullymike

She was a delight to direct & so naturally funny. She loved the joke about her make-up remover being strong enough to blow open a jailhouse door. I had her do a few extra unnecessary takes just to make the experience last a little longer. Brightened the day of all in room.

Quote

Out of Context Simpsons Couch Gags @OOCcouchGags

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6h

RIP Dolly Parton

6:31 PM · Aug 25, 2026

<https://xcancel.com/scullymike/status/2092379477636685988>

[Rags](#) - [Rags](#) 13h

Xcancel is currently down due to some legal bullshit.

[GarbageMan](#) - [V's Substack](#) 13h

I saw that . . . thanks

[BUZZME](#) - [BUZZME's Substack](#) 13h

xcancel appears to be down.

From the URL

"On Monday 24th August at 8PM EST, we received a letter from X Corp. asking to cease and desist the service XCancel.

The service XCancel is stopped until further notice.

We are seeking legal advice and won't share more details for now.

Thank you for the trust you have put in these two years of XCancel."

[Sleepmonger](#) 12h

I've been waiting for that to happen since it started. I don't know what took muskrat so long to get on it. I guess it was finally starting to make a dent in their traffic?

[GarbageMan](#) - [V's Substack](#) 13h

Dang! . . . thanks for the info 🤔

[FrancescoTheMagnificent](#) - [FrancescoTheMagnificent](#) 13h

I had read that she jokingly said that her tombstone should read "it costs a lot of money to look this cheap." I already miss her.

[IAmArlo](#) 13h

I'd probably have gone with "savvy business person" over "capitalist."

[Diane's Less Hostile Username](#) 13h

Yeah, you can't spell capitalist without S-C-U-M and Dolly was NOT scum!

[Diane's Less Hostile Username](#) 3h

OT Results are coming in for OK GQP piece of shit primary. MUCH to my disappointment, my precinct went 2 to 1 for the MAGA piece of shit over the "straight poop". That left me disappointed. However, with 22.63% of the precincts reporting (including mine!), Straight Poop is up to 51.23% so that makes me feel positive and hopeful.

If you haven't heard, Straight Poop (né Drummond) is the OK AG I wrote to tell that I had upgraded him from "piece of shit" to "straght poop" for his defense of marriage equality her in OK and that if he ran for gov, I would support him then my husband told me that was the last straw and divorced me. I kept my word and on ever ad that showed up on my IG feed, I posted, "Still GQP shit but at least he's not MAGA." He also refused to act as the state's representation in Shit, I mean Stitt's law suits against the tribes. Also, he stepped in to try to block some death penalty cases and called the far right "fascists." As rebecca said, "you could do worse."

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 1h

Stitt has betrayed his fellow Native Americans. I wish they would revoke his membership and give it to Elizabeth Warren.

[shivaskeeper](#) - [shivaskeeper](#) 3h

She was OK, I guess. But capitalism sucks, so there you go.

[Pig Bodine](#) 13h

Dolly Parton was the mother, the grandmother, the aunts I used to have. All grew up in the foothills with the women of my family a little closer to Knoxville but still connected in my brain. In Dolly, I heard and saw them in her voice and her manners. And as I miss my mom and the rest, I will miss Dolly and how she gave me those sweet moments of family forgotten.

Side note. My aunt sold candles in Dollywood up until her death. She met Dolly a few times but never had to give her name after the first time. Even if it was all prep and people were the names in Dolly's ear, she wasn't doing just to make herself look good, Dolly actually wanted to be good to this people. Her people.

[Suzie Greenburg](#) - [Suzie Greenburg](#) 12h

That's pretty amazing!!

[G-7 in Space](#) - [Michael's Substack](#) 13h

Every woman I know loves Dolly....

[You Should Ice That Burn](#) - [In case of emergency break glas...](#) 13h

Thanks for that valuable context. I don't doubt you.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 3h

Dewey Cox reference FTW

<https://bsky.app/profile/orthogonal-is-me.bsky.social/post/3mtwke6maws2d>

[Martini Glambassador](#) 13h

One of my visitors brought me Dolly brownie mix and a tub of Dolly frosting last year and I still haven't made it. Maybe I will tomorrow in her honor.

[Nicholas Harpole](#) - [Nicholas Harpole](#) 13h

I tried some of her branded foods and was very disappointed. Second or third tier. Too bad.

I really liked Paul Newmans pizzas.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

I have a box of her blueberry muffin mix I'll have to bake in her honor.

[Diane's Less Hostile Username](#) 13h

OH HER CAKE MIXES WERE GREAT! I tried almost all of them!

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 14h

This obit seems a little harsh. That being said it is packed with a lot of interesting information about Dolly.

Can you imagine the shit she had to put up with as a woman in the country music arena? I don't begrudge her grabbing whatever she could and holding on tight.

[Goin Green](#) - [Goin's Substack](#) 13h

It's a typical obit for a female icon. Except it's lazy and packed with shit you can learn on people dot com or Wiki and it completely misses her energy and light. Trying to identify who or what Dolly was to the world is a fool's errand. She was Dolly and I am grateful for her.

[Aquaman, Real Estate Investor.](#) - [Aquaman, Real Estate Investor.](#) 13h

Could be worse.

Half of it could be about a completely different blonde female country singer.

/S

Mavenmaven - Mavenmaven's Substack 14h

one way in which she was clearly not MAGA, donating large amounts to causes MAGA/DOGE oppose:

- COVID-19 Vaccine Research: Her \$1 million donation to Vanderbilt directly supported development of the Moderna vaccine.
- Children's Hospitals: Major gifts to pediatric cancer programs and infectious disease research. In 2026, East Tennessee Children's Hospital was renamed in her honor after a transformative donation.
- Pediatric Cancer Support: Another \$1 million to Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital; proceeds from a 2026 song remake were dedicated to cancer research.

Reverse Polarity 13h

The "Dolly Dose" (Moderna vaccine).

2Cats2Furious - 2Cats2Furious's Substack 13h

See, this is why this obituary pissed me off. Absolutely zero mention of her philanthropic work, which is inconsistent with the author's insistence that she mostly cared about making money.

Stanta Knows - Stanta Knows 3h

https://substack.com/profile/156642523-stanta-knows/note/c-322725497?utm_source=notes-share-action&r=2l9e57

Diane's Less Hostile Username 3h

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Stanta Knows - Stanta Knows 3h

https://substack.com/profile/156642523-stanta-knows/note/c-322725497?utm_source=notes-share-action&r=2l9e57

Opalescent Riddles - Opalescent Riddles 3h

It's the same picture dot jpg

Diane's Less Hostile Username 3h

LOL, SO TRUE!

Erisian - Erisian 14h

"She was, in the end, a remarkable businesswoman. Put her up there as one of the best, smartest, and most savvy women in the history of American capitalism."

Wahl's Drugs in SD turned themselves into a major tourist draw. (I was there in the early '70s, it was a thing then.) They knew how to hook people in before the days of the internet: billboards, signage, savvy marketing, and surprisingly enough building a world-wide fan base. They had signs all over the region telling how many miles to get there (and fans had unofficial mileage signs around the world including one in Antarctica) and with offers of free ice water -- which was a big deal when opened.

Where am I going with this? Here:

> "Where the road feels like home More Than A Stop. It's A Destination. [banner]

Welcome to Dolly's Tennessean Travel Stop, a place where you're greeted not just with fuel and food, but with warmth, comfort, and a little sparkle of Dolly Parton magic." <https://dollystravelstops.com/>

Branding sells, especially if one has a strong entrepreneurial drive and motor that doesn't stop.

RIP, Ms Parton.

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[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 14h

Her brand of cornbread is a favorite in the Rhizolith household.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 13h

I ran across her recipe ages ago and saved it:

Dolly's Cornbread

Ingredients

- 2 cups self-rising cornmeal (Dolly recommends Martha White or White Lily)
- 1 to 1½ cups buttermilk
- 2 teaspoons bacon drippings, plus extra to grease the skillet
- 1 teaspoon salt

Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 425°F.
2. Heat the skillet: Coat a 9-inch cast-iron skillet with a little extra bacon grease and place it in the hot oven to warm up.
3. Mix the batter: In a large bowl, combine the self-rising cornmeal, salt, and 2 teaspoons of bacon drippings. Slowly stir in the buttermilk using a wooden spoon until the batter is smooth but still stiff.
4. Bake: Pour the batter carefully into your hot, greased skillet. Bake for about 20 to 25 minutes. You will know it is done when the top springs back lightly if you poke or tap the center.
5. Serve: Slice it into warm wedges and serve hot with plenty of real butter.

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 13h

Preheating the skillet is brilliant but stirring in sour cream is the One True Way.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

JFC She lived to 80?

[Goin Green](#) - [Goin's Substack](#) 13h

We GG's like her brownie mix.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

We deemed it good, not great.

[Mysterysurf - Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 14h

Not as generous as I might have liked, as obituaries go. Loomis leaves out a lot of positives.

[You Should Ice That Burn - In case of emergency break glas...](#) 14h

EVERYBODY else is glazing her at 11

[Mysterysurf - Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 13h

And you don't think she earned that?

[You Should Ice That Burn - In case of emergency break glas...](#) 13h

I absolutely do! Check my comments.

[Prometheus59650 - Prometheus59650](#) 13h

A dozen times over.

[Craig Nixon - Craig Nixon](#) 14h

Agreed.

This is a case, tho, where it really pays to note who the writer is, and where they usually come from.

[Mysterysurf - Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 14h

That shouldn't be a factor, to my thinking. That requires it to be too much about the writer, to the detriment of the subject.

[Craig Nixon - Craig Nixon](#) 14h

Fair point.

[Always Be Ithacating - Always Be Ithacating](#) 3h

That 1967 album cover for 'Hello, I'm Dolly' – she's a dead ringer for a young Elizabeth Banks, who is about to treat you to a genial flood of her wit. Try to keep up!

[Our Man In Redneckistan - Our Man In Redneckistan](#) 14h

SOMEBODY never went to bed hungry as a helpless child.

SOMEBODY never hustled lawn mowing jobs as a pre-teen so they could own shoes.

SOMEBODY is body-shaming before that body is even cold.

Tasteless.

[Goin Green - Goin's Substack](#) 14h

Dolly made herself a body she could use for good just like Clark's mom made him a cape. Only difference is we really had a Dolly. Anything anyone can say about her in a negative light can be shattered and smothered 10X by her light, so let them write.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 14h

Yeah...I get that Dolly's music may not have been for everyone and that she was unquestionably a savvy businesswoman, but she also put a lot of good out into this world. And right now, especially, that's something that deserves to be celebrated.

[2Cats2Furious](#) - [2Cats2Furious's Substack](#) 13h



[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 14h

I don't even like her music. Way too slick and commercial. It was her humanity.

[Reverse Polarity](#) 13h

Same. I was always indifferent to both her music and her looks (I'm ghey). But I long felt she was a truly kind human being. She got rich, but she was amazingly charitable.

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 13h

I didn't grow up as poor as she did, but I didn't have jack shit. After I found my footing, I busted my ass, I rose, and I made money I earned every penny of so my kids didn't suffer like I did. I'm not about to apologize for that.

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 14h

Same. I heard stories from Todd Snider about Garth Brooks that showed him to be a quality human. I don't dig his music, either - so...similar, I guess.

[Prometheus59650](#) - [Prometheus59650](#) 14h

There are, I dunno, 3 or 4 songs, but those are the ones everyone knows.

I've never listened to an entire album

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 14h

I've been writing songs for 35 years and never completed a single one on my own.

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 13h

That's why I'm just the bassist.

Writing songs? Holy shit, I can't think of much that scares me more. Lol.

[Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) - [Our_Man_In_Redneckistan](#) 13h

Exactly.

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 13h

YET...I'm surrounded by people who can do that on the reg. <almost said "effortlessly", but it's never effortless>.

I'm just lucky, I guess...

[Random](#) - [Random's Substack](#) 14h

Yep.

[Prometheus59650](#) - [Prometheus59650](#) 14h

Profoundly.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 4h

Erik Loomis: Speaker for the dead

[Prometheus59650](#) - [Prometheus59650](#) 3h

Dolly making a young Randy Travis very nervous:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HnSJnDhiWM4>

[You Should Ice That Burn](#) - [In case of emergency break glas...](#) 3h

Great story! Thanks. I'd like to mention that she sent books to every kid in the county she grew up in before growing her literacy project to reach more kids.

[Goin Green](#) - [Goin's Substack](#) 14h

Dolly was everything I wish we all were.

[Always Be Ithacating](#) - [Always Be Ithacating](#) 14h

Tressie McMillan Cottom on Chris Hayes – "May we all live such lives as to be remembered this way."

[Tasner Hasenpfeffer](#) - [Tasner Hasenpfeffer](#) 14h

lol

Is this article about the same person these comments are talking about?

[Prometheus59650](#) - [Prometheus59650](#) 14h

No.

That's the issue.

[Anarchy Pony](#) - [Anarchy Pony](#) 4h

What's that joke about Marx not being able to create 9 to 5?

[GiggleSnort](#) - [GiggleSnort](#) 14h

I think Dolly was a goddamn treasure. She didn't want to seem partisan, and yeah, I can see the argument that in the current world we live in, that is not really a place you can be. Still, in the world of country music, just standing up for tolerance is a big thing.

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 14h

Given her upbringing and the sphere she operated in it's nothing short of a miracle she wasn't a frothing MAGA.

[GiggleSnort](#) - [GiggleSnort](#) 13h

Pretty sure that corner of Tennessee is still "my neck is red, and so is my politics."

[Phried Q](#) - [Phried's Substack](#) 14h

It's impossible to imagine Dolly Parton being grumpy. I can't think of anyone in history that can be said of.

[Always Be Ithacating](#) - [Always Be Ithacating](#) 4h

'The Dolly Moment: Why We Stan A Post-Racism Queen' by Tressie McMillan Cottom <https://tressie.substack.com/p/the-dolly-moment>

[Always Be Ithacating](#) - [Always Be Ithacating](#) 3h

I'm on my third reading of this essay, and looking forward to a fourth and fifth, there's so much here to wrestle with and absorb.

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 3h

I never saw this when it came out, thanks so much, just getting started.

[weejee](#) - [weejee's Substack](#) 4h

OT: Been too busy today, did the Orange Oaf do anything unusually shitty today?

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 3h

He blarped out something about changing Lake Ontario to Lake America

[You Should Ice That Burn](#) - [In case of emergency break glas...](#) 3h

I was bummed when a local news story mentioned "The Gulf of America" tonight.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 4h

Per WaPo, only the Felon has the know how to save the Kennedy Center!

The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts will eventually have to be demolished unless President Donald Trump is allowed to save it, Justice Department lawyers representing the center argued in a court filing posted late Monday.

The center, which the lawyers described as “structurally unsound, fundamentally unsafe, and embarrassing to the Nation’s Capital,” faces “terminal decline” without Trump’s experience as a real estate developer and fundraising prowess, Assistant Attorney General Brett Shumate and two other department lawyers wrote.

“Without those efforts, the Center will deteriorate further into an unsafe, decrepit structure that will be required to be taken down,” Shumate wrote. It could be replaced by a structure “such as a large outdoor amphitheater,” he added. (Washington Post)

[Up Here in the Clouds](#) - [Up Here in the Clouds](#) 3h

I thought during his first term he wanted to tear it down and turn it into a convention center/dining/ shipping/amphitheater/ marina that he went far enough to have concept pictures drawn up.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 3h

But by slapping his name above JFK's he gets their top billing and their glory.

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 3h

 I'm not a lawyer, although I wish I had been, but even I know that briefs are based on the tightest legal grounds possible, not ringing perorations and empty threats. If Trump tears down the Kennedy Center, he will wind up paying damages as well as replacement costs, because no way in hell demolishing the Kennedy Center is an official act, even for the SCOTUS Six. Congress plans, approves, appropriates and builds. Presidents cut ribbons and make speeches.

[Clammed Can Monster](#) - [Clammed Can Monster](#) 3h

Then again, nobody can even get him to take the fucking tarps down.

[Mavenmaven](#) - [Mavenmaven's Substack](#) 3h

Sounds like he's making up an excuse to tear it down. No major building can remain in DC that isn't about Trump!!!

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 3h

Well, if can't have it, no one can!

[Lois Henry](#) 3h

Oh good grief. JFK and Jackie must be rolling in their graves. No matter what your politics, you have to know what elegant taste they both had. For this troll to be trampling their legacies is an abomination.

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 3h

Architecturally, the Kennedy Center is hopelessly mid-twentieth century marble box on a steep bluff of Potomac soggy bank. It's not the Capitol, The Lincoln Memorial, the Jefferson Memorial, the Vietnam Memorial, the White House, or the Washington Monument. Not even the Smithsonian Red Castle. It's better than that big black J Edgar Hoover FBI building. Less of a boondoggle than the Rayburn Office Building.

The Kennedy Center represents the first effort to bring the fine arts like ballet and opera to Washington City, which was more of a cultural desert in the 1950s than Richmond or Baltimore. Congress was always too parsimonious about the arts with Senators like Everett Dirksen and Jesse Helms to spring for a first class venue. (JFK and Jackie were the first couple in the White House with taste and class since the Roosevelts, and before that, Jemmy and Dolly Madison. Afterwards? W and Laura? Really? Gotta be Barack and Michelle. The US just doesn't elect taste and class.)

As far as an outdoor venue, there is Wolf Trap, which I hope the Judge knows about and goes to. But Wolf Trap is way outside the city, like Landover MD.

Anarchy Pony - Anarchy Pony 14h

https://cdn.bsky.app/img/feed_fullsize/plain/did:plc:lpnwnz5imsnq3iy3gyhu4loy/bafkreiaajjxxzd5x2dlym2ou6x2uwrvtl6c7gaouwkw4zh6rya7765woka

AthenaH2SO4 - Queen City Love Story 14h

I believe it. I often referred to her as "our secular saint". There was something truly extraordinary about her.

Sister Artemis - Sister's other journal 14h

omg she WAS an angel!

Goin Green - Goin's Substack 14h

In the real sense of the word... yes.

Anarchy Pony - Anarchy Pony 14h

Close to it.

Fool - Swampay's Substack 4h

> Porter's girl singer (and I use this term because that's how they were so often called at the time)
I have friends who still use this term.

Puipui 14h

Not sure what I was expecting from a Wonkette article about Dolly Parton's passing, but I don't think it was "she was okay I guess" with zero mention of her extremely successful worldwide literacy program, her open support of queer people during the AIDS crisis, or her personal funding and vocal support for a covid vaccine. I feel like she deserves more than "she was nice but mostly just wanted your cash".

Sonja Letourneau - Sonja Letourneau 12h

This. Seriously. She was so much more than a money maker. She donated money so we could ALL get a fucking vaccine for covid!! This article fucking sucks.

Megrim Twist 13h

Hear, hear.

Aquaman, Real Estate Investor. - Aquaman, Real Estate Investor. 14h

You're not the only one.

There's a real "yeah she was ok, but she was better before she sold out" tone.

AthenaH2SO4 - Queen City Love Story 14h

Yeah, this isn't offensive or tasteless, but it's kind of weird, thin, and a little snippy? Like, she did SO much good, and it's somehow barely mentioned?

[Sister Artemis](#) - [Sister's other journal](#) 14h

Was Erik just racing to get the first article out or something?

It seems... thin. I found quite a bit of the article interesting, but some of it rubbed me the wrong way, sort of cavalier and pissy.

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 13h

Rolling Stone tone. Or it once was, I don't read it anymore.

[Sister Artemis](#) - [Sister's other journal](#) 12h

When I was a teenager and a complete Neil Young fan, I went OFF on a writer who reviewed his latest album a bit like Erik above, completely (as I righteously thought) missing the point, and disrespecting an artists choice to direct their career where they want. This was a typewritten letter, mind you, not some online screed. I was one impassioned girl back in the 70s and my fingers fairly HAMMERED my indignity at him. Popped a stamp on the thing and sent it off, figuring it would go in the trash, but I Had Said My Piece!

Surprisingly, he wrote me a really great letter (I'm sure I have it still, burried in some box) that in part said "you know, you're right" and telling me where he'd been coming from in writing the article, and it was all around a pretty great exchange of 3 or 4 letters.

I hadn't thought about that in years. Thanks.

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 12h

Great story, thank you.

[FrancescoTheMagnificent](#) - [FrancescoTheMagnificent](#) 13h

"But as a very intense fan of country music, I still wish she had the quantity of good albums that she could have made."

This comment, I didn't like. As a "very intense fan of country music", name me five female artists not named Patsy Cline who are in Dolly's league. Betcha can't.

She made the albums she made. Early in her career, she concentrated on being a songwriter. Later, other projects took up her time. If the albums weren't all stellar, remember that she never stopped performing live & fans could always enjoy her voice, warmth and charisma. You can't accuse her of phoning that in.

Also, as a very intense fan of music - period - I can assure you that no one apart from the Beatles was capable of delivering an unbroken run of quality, good albums for any period of time. For them, it only ran from '64 to '70.

I also sometimes fantasize about albums that could have been. I wish they could've talked Whitney Houston into doing an album of Billie Holliday tunes and blues covers. Most of her latter day stuff was, generously, not that. But a eulogy is not the place to bring that up son. Especially a eulogy in which you admit that Dolly's life consisted of more than just radio hits.

Do this one over.

[Sister Artemis](#) - [Sister's other journal](#) 12h

Franscesco, you expressed this so much better than I could have. Thank you.

[Prometheus59650](#) - [Prometheus59650](#) 14h

She was one of the most prolific humanitarians in two centuries, and it's just..skipped.

[Sister Artemis](#) - [Sister's other journal](#) 14h

thank you

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 14h

I will never forget her and Porter selling the Royal Canon floral towels in boxes of Breeze Detergent. ("And my favorite...Magnolia."—Porter. Duet: "But you can't buy them, so don't try please/You can only get them, in boxes of Breeze.") Or the night when Johnny Carson and Ed did the "Farewell to Dolly Parton jokes". (Tossing the giant bra into a burn barrel.) Or when Dolly went on Carson and sang a little song to him on a small guitar from her seat, so you knew it wasn't dubbed. ("I traveled around and had success, but don't you know/ I never really made it big till I appeared on the Johnny Carson show." She wrote it herself. She was corny and country, but pretty canny and clever, and she called the shots in her career.) I mean, I'm glad she wasn't like Tammy Wynette, singing to drunken George Jones, Nashville's longest and soggiest soap opera. Merle Haggard said in his 1982 book *Sing Me Back Home* that when he toured with her, he acted like a drunken fool propositioning her, and he was grateful later for the classy way she turned him down. Loretta Lynn did a movie, did a duet with Pavarotti and became semi-retired. Bobbie Joe Gentry did one great record and became a recluse. Barbera Mandrell and her sisters sang to puppets on a TV show, and then vanished like The Captain and Tenille. Emmylou Harris? Well, she is also a survivor, still making records, but not selling that many. Reba MacIntyre has done a longer lasting TV show, but she hasn't been relevant for years either. CMT likes both men and women to be young, good-looking, and wearing cowboy hats. "Choosing Texas" by Ella Langley. Bet in 5 years she is another cowboy hat-wearing Gretchen Wilson. Back in the day, Minnie Pearl wore a hat, but it wasn't a cowboy hat. I can't remember Dolly Parton ever wearing a cowboy hat either. She also never covered "My Way", but she did it her way. My favorite movie of hers was *Straight Talk*, with James Woods, and she was better than he was (it was a paycheck for him). She plays a country girl who kicks out her good-for-nothing boyfriend, goes to the big city, gets a job at a radio station answering the phones, fills in on a call-in show, and becomes a hit as Dr Shirley, solving people's problems. Her best line wasn't original, but she made it hers, when a caller complained that no one appreciated all she did: "Oh, get off the cross, honey! Somebody needs the wood!" That was Dolly: sweet, but tough minded, without an ounce of self-pity. God Bless Her Always.

[Megrim Twist](#) 13h

Beautiful. Thank you.

[Lblomg](#) - [Lblomg's Substack](#) 14h

<https://www.instagram.com/reel/DceRKGoghJ/>

Dolly on JCarson with her little guitar. Continue on web at top if you don't insta like me.

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 13h

God Bless You for that!

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 14h

I just found this a little bit ago:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nUSFYBfmOiQ>

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 13h

God bless you! You made me choke up!

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 4h

This is a long-ish piece. I just finished reading all of it.

Highly advised to not skim this one, and set aside a few minutes to read all of it.

Loomis done good here.

<ETA: several criticisms that have come up are also valid tho.>

[Notorious J.I.M.](#) 4h

Drunk History! This show needs to come back. People used to hashing things out in writers rooms, maybe sometimes intoxicated, going for it on a story on camera. Retroscribing, too, can be terribly entertaining.

[Jeff, still got my guitar](#) - [Jeff's Substack](#) 4h

That show was sidesplitting belly laughs good. How they got those drunk people to tell those stories is unbelievable. I think we watched every episode, and then it was gone. Like a cool breeze on a hot day.

[Sister Artemis](#) - [Sister's other journal](#) 4h

The Harriet Tubman one remains my favorite.

[Jeff, still got my guitar](#) - [Jeff's Substack](#) 4h

Using celebs to be the re-enactors. Lip syncing the drunk people's dialog. The show was too good.

[Sister Artemis](#) - [Sister's other journal](#) 3h

Somewhere in the Harriet Tubman one, Octavia Spencer sort of looks at the camera quizzically as she lipsyncs when the drunken historian's mumbles a bit of word salad.

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 4h

I think this is Union Station she's fronting here on "Train, Train". Some real all-stars in any case:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bGBnQo_u-Pc

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 3h

Takes Blackfoot's song and makes it hers!

[Fool](#) - [Swampay's Substack](#) 4h

There are a LOT of Union Stations across the country

[Anarchy Pony](#) - [Anarchy Pony](#) 14h

Who flounced in a self important way while criticizing supposed self importance?

[Random](#) - [Random's Substack](#) 14h

OG Cookie Lady.

[PoDG follows the 92%](#) - [PoDG follows the 92%](#) 12h

Wait huh?

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 14h

Wait...she just came back, after a long break.

[Random](#) - [Random's Substack](#) 14h

No, it was her. I saw it before it disappeared.

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 14h

Well...shit.

I always miss the dramatic stuff.

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 14h

No, seriously? Dang!

[Anarchy Pony](#) - [Anarchy Pony](#) 14h

Well that's disappointing.

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 14h

<Jake from State Farm voice> Ummm...George Santos?

[Anarchy Pony](#) - [Anarchy Pony](#) 14h

I don't understand this reference.

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 14h

Santos famously flounced from Congress, with "the HELL with this place!"

[Anarchy Pony](#) - [Anarchy Pony](#) 14h

I meant jake from state farm...

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 14h

Oh. Ha.

"Ummm...khakis?"

OK, that commercial prob doesn't run any longer...

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 14h

Anonymous flounce was anonymous. And total!

[Anarchy Pony](#) - [Anarchy Pony](#) 14h

Apparently...

[Sister Artemis](#) - [Sister's other journal](#) 14h

well, now I want to know!

[edit] - ok, now I understand what happened there - I was replying to OG Cookie Lady when my comment disappeared and I was bounced to the top of the comment section.

Everybody gets to pick their flouce-or-not-flouce moments, but I was advising her to just not read Erik's stuff if it rubs her too much the wrong way.

I didn't appreciate how he ended the article or some parts within it, but then (as I was saying to OG CL) that's just one writer, and there's still the rest of the staff and all of us in the Wonketariat. Maybe don't call it quits based on that?

Oh well, people gotta do what they gotta do, but I'll miss her posts.

[ManchuCandidate](#) - [ManchuCandidate](#) 14h

Dolly wasn't perfect, but unlike many capitalists she didn't forget where she came from and didn't try to destroy the ladder that got her to her fortune. I can respect that.

[Prometheus59650](#) - [Prometheus59650](#) 14h

It gnaws at me how MAGA are trying to lay claim to grief over her passing because she made her fame in country music, while simultaneously forgetting that they hated the half of her that was pro-rights for everyone and was prolific in her charity.

Then there are the pond scum that are blaming her passing on "the vax."

Good, God, just shut up. Once.

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 14h

Just stop listening to and broadcasting everything they say!

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 13h

I'm enjoying Dolly's décolletage, her short skirt, her blonde hair, and the way she harmonizes. Dolly harmonized with Stephen Colbert on Love Is Like A Butterfly (without the famous swing she had earlier in her career), and she and former New Christie Minstrel Kenny Rogers were like butter together.

[Russell Jones](#) - [Russell's Substack](#) 4h

Setting aside the golden voice and the spectacularly high quality character, Dolly was a songwriting god. Here's Rogers's cover of The Stranger.

<https://youtu.be/rngZ9JSzRAk>

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 4h

This is my first memory of Dolly:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nUSFYBfmOiQ>

I thought it was Duz detergent, but it was actually Breeze.

[Ambiance Chaser](#) - [Ambiance Chaser](#) 4h

We can't afford to lose all the good things . . .

[Martha Howell](#) - [Martha's Substack](#) 4h

Fact: Donald Trump's latest wig is inspired by Porter Waggoner. Also, his piggish patriarchal unwarranted superiority.

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 3h

But Donald doesn't wear a Nudie suit. Nudie Cohn, Ukrainian American tailor, made 52 suits for Porter. (He also made a \$10,000 gold lame suit for Elvis. Quality costs.) DJT suits look like they came off the rack at Sears.

[Martha Howell](#) - [Martha's Substack](#) 2h

Makes the hair look worse. Go deep or go home. DJT owns none of the icon-making tendencies.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 4h

Dolly's cover of Stairway to Heaven:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YhTvXVxXJLQ>

[Nacho Librul](#) 3h

Amazing cover! Robert Plant, take notes.

[JanuaryClaire](#) - [JanuaryClaire](#) 3h

Dolly really made it her own.

[BosGrl](#) - [BosGrl's Substack](#) 4h

Bookmarking this. Can't listen quite yet.

[Pauly2coffees](#) - [Pauly2coffees's Substack](#) 14h

She made a lot of money because she wrote hit songs and owned the publishing. As far as politics go, nobody else in the mainstream of public life is really speaking up for trans people either.

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 13h

Chapell Roan?

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 14h

I read that Elvis wanted to cover "I Will Always Love You" but the Colonel wanted half of the publishing. Thanks, but no thanks!

[Pauly2coffees](#) - [Pauly2coffees's Substack](#) 13h

Dolly was way too sharp to let that happen.

[Prometheus59650](#) - [Prometheus59650](#) 14h

The Colonel was an awful, sniveling rat bastard.

[The Covfefes ASAP!](#) - [The Covfefes ASAP!](#) 4h

Just dropping the link from the official announcement by her nephew.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9govup-IG3c>

[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 14h

Actual good news from Texas.

Texas' limits on certain drag shows ruled unconstitutional again

A federal judge reasserted his 2023 ruling that the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals sent back for reconsideration. The law went into effect in March as the case proceeded.

<https://www.texastribune.org/2026/08/25/texas-drag-show-ban-law-unconstitutional-second-ruling>

[Notorious J.I.M.](#) 14h

Like the judge said, "Just don't go".

[Jenny, a Pinata Farmer](#) - [Jenny, a Pinata Farmer](#) 14h

I cried many ugly tears today. We lost a beautiful kind woman. Ugly gross men shaped creatures still live here on earth.

[The Covfefes ASAP!](#) - [The Covfefes ASAP!](#) 14h

She's singing with the greatest band ever now. :)

[Mavenmaven](#) - [Mavenmaven's Substack](#) 14h

Really saddened to hear of Dolly's passing, as a banjo player she always had a place in my heart. I think the most important thing is how much she continues to inspire generations of musicians, here is Waxahatchee, one of the best indie bands in recent years, covering Dolly's Light of a Clear Blue Morning, which is such a wonderful and inspirational song, from 1977, but it could almost be our theme song here at Wonkette, it sounds like it is about our moment:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IEuLC3LN6ts>

It's been a long dark night

And I've been a waitin' for the morning

It's been a long hard fight

But I see a brand new day a dawning

I've been looking for the sunshine

You know I ain't seen it in so long
But everything's gonna work out just fine
And everything's gonna be all right
That's been all wrong
'Cause I can see the light of a clear blue morning
I can see the light of a brand new day
I can see the light of a clear blue morning
Oh, and everything's gonna be all right
It's gonna be okay
It's been a long long time
Since I've known the taste of freedom
And those clinging vines
That had me bound, well I don't need 'em
Oh, I've been like a captured eagle, you know an eagle's born to fly
Now that I have won my freedom, like an eagle I am eager for the sky...

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 14h



[Mysterysurf](#) - [Mysterysurf's Substack](#) 4h

Are we all migrating over here, then? I had one more birthday I wanted to cover:

Jeff Tweedy of Uncle Tupelo and Wilco fame is 59 years old today. Here's Wilco's full set from their first appearance on Austin City Limits in 1999, back when Jay Bennett and Ken Coomer were still in the band. I was there!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N2DbHJ3pLFI>

And here they are in 2015 performing the lovely "California Stars" (built on lyrics by Woody Guthrie) on KEXP. They muffed it, but they recovered well:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FeQX-9Uxh_w

Meanwhile, RIP Dolly. You were the best.

[asmallmacropod](#) 4h

Mermaid Avenue is a lovely album. I will celebrate International Jeff Tweedy Day with some more cakes.

[Pisto75666-Radical Left Scum](#) 4h

Dolly & Kenny Rogers- Love Is Strange https://youtu.be/4klc7ARl4HE?is=gt2P_YCyvgvvUSjw

[Belle la Bête f/k/a Girl Guide](#) 4h

"Put her voice on the Mt. Rushmore of country music too."

THAT is sure to make Noo Yawk's most famous redneck (orange-neck?) have a ketchup-flinging shit fit. Especially since he made a much more bigly contribution to the world of country music! Many people are saying, when they have tears in their eyes... (spoiler: because it's so bad)

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=6JoJ2HnMt6Q>

[Notorious J.I.M.](#) 4h

Yikes. An appearance on "Ellen"?

[Notorious J.I.M.](#) 4h

Whoops. 2005 Emmys.

[ziggywiggy](#) 15h

This Saturday's movie is changed to Steel Magnolias in honor of Dolly.

[Suzie Greenburg](#) - [Suzie Greenburg](#) 12h

Aw, that's so sweet

[Warren](#) - [Warren](#) 14h

Tom Skeritt and Julia Roberts and frumpy Darryl Hannah! (why cast Darryl Hannah to be frumpy? oh well.) Excellent choice!

["M"](#) - ["M"](#) 13h

I think she did a great job with the role

Annette had a character arc! Remember after her makeover she lost her contact lens?

[Jay E.](#) - [Jay E.](#) 14h

A friend and I saw that in the theater, sneaking into it after watching some other movie, proly Rambo 2 or some shit, we were 19. I was dating, and eventually married a girl who was diabetic, and goddamn it hit hard. I won't rewatch it...

[ziggywiggy](#) 12h

Understandable. I hope the woman you married is doing well.

Diabetes killed my grandmother and my mom is diabetic but it is controlled. It was assumed that my brothers and I would also be diabetic yet we are not.

I have an opposite reaction to the film.

[The Covfefe ASAP!](#) - [The Covfefe ASAP!](#) 14h

I'll be there. *hugs*

[Stanta Knows](#) - [Stanta Knows](#) 14h

Cool, I never saw that. I was of expecting "9 to 5"

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 14h

Has it not been screened yet? Surely it has been or will be.

[ziggywiggy](#) 14h

Yes we did 9-5 already.

[ziggywiggy](#) 14h

Steel magnolias is a wonderful film, I think you will enjoy it.

[Stanta Knows](#) - [Stanta Knows](#) 14h

Wiki says: Harling based the story in part on his sister, Susan Harling Robinson, who died in 1985 of complications from type 1 diabetes.

OK, I'm definitely in in memory of two friends who died of Type 1

[Seek](#) 14h

Olympia Dukakis is the best in that movie.

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 14h

You know "Moonstruck," right? If not, you're in for quite a treat.

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 14h

It's one of my favorite things in the world.

"There's an old Italian saying. You wanna hear it?"

<shrug>

"Don't shit where you eat."

"Now he'll play that damn Vikki Carr record, and when he comes to bed he won't touch me."

[Opalescent Riddles](#) - [Opalescent Riddles](#) 13h

I use "don't shit where you eat" at least every month.

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 14h

My sister and I did extended dialogues sometimes when we were caring for elder parents; it helped tremendously some days.

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 13h

"Is that a love bite on your neck?? Your life is goin' in the toilet!"

[noname](#) - [noname](#) 13h

I'm telling ya, we REALLY needed that to keep us going.

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 15h

You're the best.

[Goonemeritus](#) - [Goonemeritus](#) 15h

Although you can never be sure, I have a feeling less people will miss me when I go than Dolly.

[President Rufus T. Superfly](#) - [President's Substack](#) 14h

Ahem. "Fewer."

[Opalescent Riddles](#) - [Opalescent Riddles](#) 13h

Fewer people will miss me, especially those who had used "less" improperly in my presence.

[Always Be Ithacating](#) - [Always Be Ithacating](#) 4h

Thank you for the best, most honest, thing I've read today – "I don't think Parton is above critique, both musically and politically, but for the most part, this is a person who made the world better because she lived in it."

[Di Kegeles](#) 15h

31 years of imagination library..... 300 MILLION free books given out across the world to children..... she was inspiring.....

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 13h

That could have been added to the obit.

["M" - "M"](#) 15h

Mayor Mamdani has a tribute

<https://bsky.app/profile/mayor.nyc.gov/post/3mtwk3yn65k22>

["M" - "M"](#) 5h

<https://bsky.app/profile/vermontgmg.bsky.social/post/3mtwofgfpms24>

[Craig Nixon](#) - [Craig Nixon](#) 15h

Thanks, Erik.

Small fun fact: Some of you may not know, but in addition to his extensive coverage of labor, Loomis is a prolific writer about music as well.

I knew him (well, his writing, anyway) from the music angle for years before I arrived here.

First time I saw an Erik Loomis byline here it just about blew my mind.

[Anarchy Pony](#) - [Anarchy Pony](#) 15h

What a cruel world where we lose Dolly before Donnie...

[Diane's Less Hostile Username](#) 15h

No kidding. Just an awful reminder that fate does not care.

[dave](#) 14h

Yes, the universe is totally indifferent, something that magazis will never understand, and one of the primary reasons they cause so much grief for others.

[Diane's Less Hostile Username](#) 5h

She made amazing box cake mixes.

First!

[Rhizolith Reborn](#) - [Rhizolith's Substack](#) 3h

Cornbread, also too

[455 Rocket Cat, Space Donkey](#) - [455 Rocket Cat, Space Donkey](#) 5h

Title award!

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[President Rufus T. Superfly](#) - [President's Substack](#) 4h

Um, I didn't read it that way?

[SAMushrush](#) - [SAMushrush's Substack](#) 4h

Anonymous by name, anonymous by nature.