

1. **Life Insurance available for Cancer survivors**
2. **Watch out if you win in Las Vegas**
3. **Just Google it!**
4. **Technical issue delays Earle's View**

### **1. Realizing Life Expectancy not always affected**

Previously, cancer survivors could only look forward to being uninsurable no matter what their oncologist told them. Canadian insurance companies have now progressed and many companies look favourably at cancer survivors. In many cases there may not be any ratings attached depending on several factors. Traditionally the only source of life insurance for this group was the no medical plans on late night TV. Offering only a nominal amount of coverage it is expensive. I have always sympathized with cancer survivor's plight and who knows now maybe transplant survivors will get some respect other than a straight "NO". If you need more details let me know.

### **2. Yes some people do win but the IRS on the looking for their share**

Turns out some people who go to Las Vegas do win. Not me, but some lucky people. Jamie Golombek CA, CPA etc.. of CIBC Private Wealth wrote an interesting article in Forum Magazine about the US taxation of gambling winnings. Unlike Canada, gambling winnings are taxable there and the IRS is aggressive in getting their share. Before you get too aggravated Canadians are the only nation where you can file to get any taxes withheld back. Your accountant can file the form 1040NR for the return. Another time it is good to be a Canuk!

### **3. Google and YouTube the ultimate reference tool**

So recently I had to rent a vehicle and when getting in noticed the low tire pressure light was on. When asked the guys at the rental agency told me it had been on for 3 months and they couldn't figure how to turn it off even though the tires were fine. So I get home and Google the model, year and the problem. Low and behold I am directed to a YouTube video showing a guy in the US checking the tire pressure and resetting the light! Took 30 seconds to reset! Graham tells me almost anything you need to know like how to tie a knot in a tie is there. Used to be a great father son moment when they started their first job showing them how to tie the necktie but that's gone now. Guy on YouTube has more patience than me.

### **4. No I didn't retire**

Last June Rogers changed their outgoing email policy to protect us all from SPAM. Well I got caught up the net and they bounced back and froze my email account for a couple of days. Since then have been looking for an economical idea that didn't mean me having to trust a remote server with your email address. So a smart guy last week pointed me in a direction and think I've got something that works. Now whether or not you agree with Rogers, Earle's View is SPAM, their new policy doesn't stop me from getting all sorts of SPAM.

Cheers.

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PS If you get more email than you can ever read & I'm adding to the glut, drop me a note and I'll remove you from my mailing list.

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