

*While you are waiting...*



## Caregiver Humor

### You might be a caregiver if:

- Your new hobby is canceling credit cards, writing letters to collection agencies and canceling numerous magazine subscriptions.
- You spend 1/3 of vacation time backtracking as you look for eyeglasses, purse, hat, gloves and sweaters.
- You place most of the bills in a folder labeled, "I will think about this tomorrow."
- Going out to eat is a Big Mac or a Whooper.
- Your hands are missing fingers because she regularly "bites the hand that feeds her."
- An outing consists of going to get the mail.
- You lobby your Congressional Rep. to have more hours added to the clock.

- Taking care of yourself means...?
- Coffee, cola, and aspirin are food groups.
- You never sort your loved ones socks because they seem to like to wear them mismatched.
- Your loved one's wardrobe consists of sweats, a bathrobe, and socks, and for informal wear....
- Your lawn has been declared a wildlife refuge.
- The pattern on the hood of your car is actually 2 year old cat paw prints.
- Your house has more cobwebs than a 1950's 'B' horror movie.
- Your friends know to call you six months in advance before they visit to give you time to clean up.
- At the mention of Social Security, you snarl, foam at the mouth and wish you had purchased that AK-47 when you could have afforded it.
- Someone mentions neurologists, and you snarl, foam at the mouth and wish you had purchased that AK-47.

- Fast food means shoveling in leftover tuna noodle surprise by the cold light of the fridge after the chores are done well past 10pm.
- When someone mentions TBI, by the time you've finished speaking they mistake you for a neurologist.
- Crying is just another task that goes on your to do list.
- You can spot your loved one having a bad day, within 15 seconds, from 50 meters, in the dark, while its raining, with your back turned.
- You often know more about how your loved one is doing than they do.
- The first place you look when your loved one has misplaced their shoes is the fridge.
- You've got the new, 24 hour, \$19.99 a month unlimited Access to God Prayer Plan, and they are now telling you your limit has been reached.
- Losing track of time, the day of the week, the year and your marbles seems normal.
- Vacations are what you take just before you fall asleep.
- You can spot an uncaring physician from 20 feet even before they open their mouths.

- When you and your loved one find a caring and understanding physician you first weep uncontrollably then fall on your knees and worship.
- Family get-togethers are when you go on-line to be with the people who understand.