

**Grampa's Browns  
Corner**  
***Daily Blab* 4/8/20**

Good Morning campers. I had a good day yesterday, all things considered. We have been getting pictures and Skyping with Campers which helps us maintain good cheer. Yesterday we were Skyping with Lila and Tyler when Mark brought in the mail, including the box from **Dr. Toughlove's Cookie-of-the-Month Club**. Saw some smiles!

I started my day planting some seeds including sunflower seeds saved from last year's garden and red cosmos and medium size zinnias. I was excited to see sprouts from sunflowers and small zinnia seeds I planted a couple of weeks ago.

I walked out to the woods to see how my new dam was working.



It had raised the water level in the pond by about 12". Very successful. I was pondering calling the new impoundment Turtle Pond in the optimistic hope that turtles might come to live there.

As I was starting up the tractor to go out to work in the woods, I saw an object on the driveway which looked like and was a turtle!

It was walking across the driveway and had paused while climbing over the garden hose. Campers, can you identify the type of turtle? And do you remember what its long claws reveals about its sex?



I just watched *him* for a while and he continued across the driveway and crawled off into the garden.





Another view of the new Turtle Pond:



My first project was clearing a path to the site for Bridge #3 to be called Tyler's Bridge. It went pretty well. The tractor is not intended to be a bulldozer but it worked well enough for me to move a lot of dirt around to cut down some old piles of dirt left from long ago when somebody first dug The Black Lagoon. I moved that dirt do fill some low and very squishy spots which sometimes fill with water in a heavy rain.

In a couple of hours I had carved out a new road to Tyler's Bridge.

I'll try to get a good picture of the new road for the next issue of The Blab. Right now I can't wait to get out and build the bridge. I've got it all planned in my mind during 4:00 AM inspiration sessions.

Love you all. Hope you are having fun and learning.

