



Happy Thanksgiving

We Are Very Lucky To Be Canadians

I saw a terrible sight last night eating dinner. Even though it was dark, I could see it clearly: Leaves falling en masse.

And you know what that means: yep, winter is on its way. For the record I don't like winter much. I don't like bundling up, I don't enjoy shoveling snow, driving in it, or not seeing the beautiful greens and flowers.

As far as I am concerned, the only good things about winter are Christmas (but one day) and hockey, and we all know where they are at this year.

But if winter is the only bad thing to put up with in exchange to live in Canada, I'll take that trade off every time. We are very lucky to live in a country with the standards of living we enjoy, ranging from education to healthcare, freedom of speech, social programs, and so on. We are truly blessed. Sure we have issues, every country does, but they seem minor every time I turn on the global news.


Coming from a devastated war torn country as immigrants, my parents came with nothing, with no social back stops to fall back on, and all they had was a great work ethic. They didn't even have the language to speak. To the day he passed, my father always spoke of the great opportunities this country provided. In fact, as beautiful as Italy is, he never went back once his entire life – Canada was his home.

So as we deal with the next generation, many of which are what I refer to as the "entitlement" generation who's biggest daily issue is interrupted cell phone service, we need to keep reminding them of how truly lucky they are. A generation that has never known Depression or World Wars among others.

So as we go into this weekend of Thanksgiving, let's truly give thanks for what we have, not what we don't have. Let's be thoughtful of those in need, and let's keep in mind those serving in the military overseas, away from their families.

Happy Thanksgiving to all,

Stay tuned,

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