

# The NORTH COAST COURIER



As I was about to pay for a purchase at The North Face, I said, “I want to use Apple Pay.” The clerk said, “I’m surprised that someone your age is using Apple Pay.” After an embarrassing moment, she added, “But that’s cool.” Ruth pointed at me and said, “He’s cool.” I posted this on FaceBook and our friend, Becky, said, “I’m surprised someone your age shops at The North Face.” Touché!

## The Good and Bad Reasons for Spending the Winter in Ohio

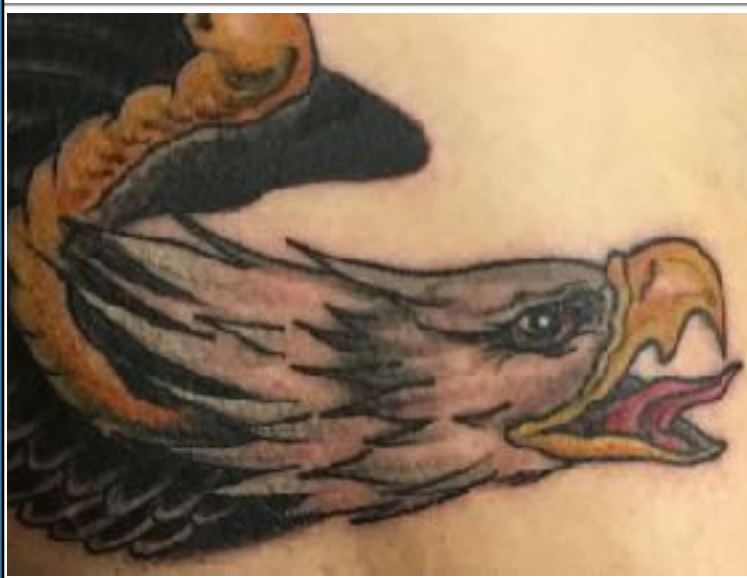
### Good:

1. Exercise more, read more and see more movies
2. Volunteer at hospital and church
3. Have our own stuff
4. Two cars
5. Spend more time with old friends and family
6. Got tattoo refreshed

### Bad:

1. Walk though snow to get newspaper
2. Hike less
3. Don’t play golf
4. Miss AZ/FL friends
5. Ice
6. We don’t have as many house guests

Yes, Item 6 under Good (at left) is true. I had my old tattoo refreshed (below) and the story of the new tat is in the Postscript section of my story, **Why I Got a Tattoo. Tap [Tattoo Story](#)** There are also other new stories. Winter is almost over!



1. **Best Books of 2016: Oregon Trail** (Buck); **Being Mortal** (Gawande); **When Breath Becomes Air** (Kalanithi); **The Violet Hour** (Roiphe); **Grit** (Duckworth); **Hillbilly Elegy** (Vance); **Sapient** (Kaczmarowski); **The Underground Railroad** (Whitehead)