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First comes organization  
then comes expansion  
then comes administration  
then comes defending territory  
then comes dividing the spoils

And you sir, how would you like your piece of the pie?

**Posted by: vidyohs | Jul 4, 2009 7:03:54 PM**

Affluence always breeds apathy, and apathy is corrosive.

I used to cringe when my dad would talk about America's golden years being past, but it is true. We've peaked.

The greatest generation wasn't so great in context to their ancestors, but they just happen to be the last of those generations before we crested that hill.

**Posted by: [Ray Gardner](#) | Jul 4, 2009 8:50:17 PM**

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