### It was obviously meant to happen

id you ever notice how one random little action seems to lead to another completely unrelated incident?

Just this past weekend, I felt like making a Greek salad, with some Roma tomatoes, feta cheese and black olives.

As I opened the fridge door, I searched in vain for the bottle of black olives on the bottom shelf, and was annoyed I couldn't locate them.

Standing up, I cast a look in the direction of the window mounted air conditioner in the kitchen.

It was a breezy day and I felt the cold air sneaking into the kitchen around the air conditioner, so I decided it was time to uninstall it.

As I pulled it out, the window was a mess, so I got out the window cleaner, and in minutes, I had it shining, squeaky clean.

Of course after cleaning one, the other kitchen window looked horrible.

I cleaned it too— not to mention the two old oil lamps sitting on the window sill, the vase, and the wash basin set on the table in front of it.

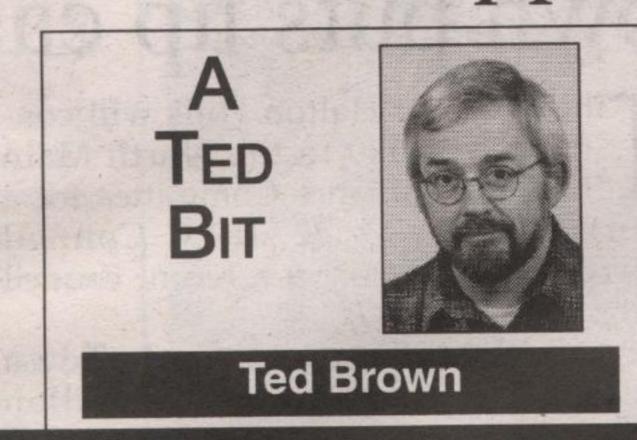
With that, the kitchen counter looked in need of a cleaning as well, so I got out the cleaner and scrubbed it down until it shone.

Looking out the now clean window, I realized the lawn at the back of the house was in need of cutting. I went to my bedroom to change into my grass cutting clothes, and found the wind was also blowing in around the air conditioner in my bedroom window.

I decided it should be out too, so I pulled it out, then cleaned the window, and went down to the basement to bring up the storm window to seal things up for the coming cool weather.

Oh yeah, I suddenly remembered one of the panes of glass in the old storm window was loose— it had almost fallen out when I installed the air conditioner last spring.

No major challenge, I thought. I'll just reglaze that one pane of glass.



By the time I had that one pane out, I found the one next to it was also loose, so I took it out. The third pane had a chip out of the corner, so I removed it too, and by then, the fourth was so close I took it out too.

It broke in the process.

After an short exchange of profanity with the broken pane, I decided I may as well sand down the old wooden sash and prime and paint it, since I was now gonna re-glaze every damn pane of glass in that storm window.

After running to pick up some primer, I put four coats on the sash, and was ready for the glass. That night I spent glazing two of the four panes, and the next day I went to the local hardware store to buy the other two panes of glass.

While waiting for the guy to cut the glass, I poked about at the bargain table in the store, and was delighted to find a Star Frit pickle jar.

I'd been looking for one of those jars for ages, cuz they have this cool little divider in them that you can turn the bottle upside down to store it so the pickle juice covers the pickles, but then you open it, the juice is in the bottom.

Cool, and they work the best for olives.... black olives.

So thanks to changing my air conditioner in the kitchen, I now can find my black olives in a Star Frit pickle jar in the refrigerator...

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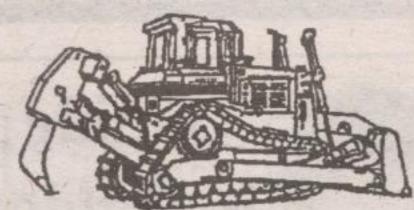
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