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I don't have many regrets (which is a nice thing), but I do really regret never having lived abroad. At least I traveled a bunch when I was single and lived in DC. I was living large on \$40K per year and paying \$300 in rent, with an old Volvo my parents gave me. In some ways, the most disposable income I've ever had. I was saving \$1000 cash per month, which I'd blow periodically on trips. In the two and a half years in DC, I spent 8 weeks in Europe, and went up and down the east coast visiting various cities for weekends.

I really shoulda lived in Europe for a while though. It would be so cool to have learned another language and tried to be the exotic red-headed American. I would've tried Spain or Italy. Maybe Croatia.

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Shit, I shoulda asked you first!!! Thanks for the perspective, and for the year abroad idea. Brilliant.

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Cool beans. You're living the vida loca.

Skipping a grade? Yowza. My mom did that a couple times ... and wound up a freshman at UC Davis at the age of 16. To hear her tell it, it had plusses and minuses. Some situations she was a little behind the curve socially (but girls are more clever than boys), but the slowness of instruction frustrated her more, so I think she was happier when school was more relevant. I say skip. Elsa could always travel abroad for a year after high school and then enter college the same age as the other freshmen.

MC

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They buried the lede, of course, which was about the 40 rods that Bill Casey reported on (which is a bay bridge issue).

<http://www.sacbee.com/2014/05/15/6408924/bay-bridge-rods-helping-hold-main.html>

The design requirements were too extreme for the materials available, so they used corrosion-prone, but stronger, metals throughout. Great.

But back on the Al Zampa bridge, it sounds minor, and that they just have to replace the parts and engineer some stronger parts for a later fix. Luckily, the Al Zampa is a proper design, so you can easily accomplish that. Heh.

Dude, I'm going to do it for a third day in a row. I'm headed to a teacher meeting to talk about Elsa skipping a grade.

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<http://www.sfgate.com/bayarea/article/Premature-cracks-found-on-Carquinez-Bridge-5529554.php?cmpid=hp-hc-bayarea>

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