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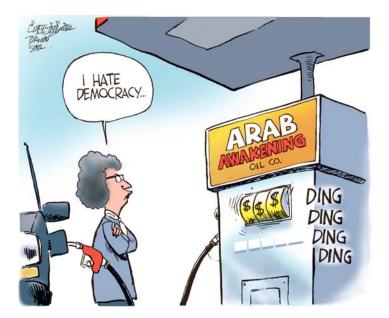
"Over the last week motorists have watched helplessly as gasoline prices have moved steadily higher -- propelled by higher oil prices and the Mid East turmoil that seems to spread like a giant oil slick.

In recent days, daily price increases have gained momentum, with the average price of self-serve regular jumping six cents in one day, hitting \$3.287 a gallon today, according to AAA's Fuel Gauge Survey. That's an increase of 13 cents a gallon from last Friday."

--ConsumerAffairs.com (http://goo.gl/3gMzl)



John Darkow / The Columbia Daily Tribune, Courtesy CagleCartoons.com



Patrick Corrigan / The Toronto Star, Courtesy CagleCartoons.com

Gas pains . . . Again

Talking points

- 1. John Darkow shows what might really be on Americans' minds as weeks of popular uprisings in the Middle East begin to affect the price of gasoline here. Is the artist saying that's what's really important or is he pointing out the silliness in the reaction? How do you know?
- 2. Patrick Corrigan's cartoon follows the same theme: turmoil in the Arab world is going to cost us. Do we really hate democracy? Does Corrigan?
- 3. What happens when oil prices rise? What direct effect does it have on you? What indirect effect? What happened last time prices spiked over \$4 a gallon in 2008?

Additional resources

More by John Darkow http://cagle.com/politicalcartoons/PCcartoons/darkow.asp More by Patrick Corrigan
http://cagle.com/politicalcartoons/PCcartoons/corrigan.asp

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