

# What is a little town?

*(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is one of those little stories that few small town newspaper editors can resist sharing with their readers. It has been passed from newspaper to newspaper until its origin is no longer known. It recently appeared in the Cordova Times and Bristol Bay By-Lines)*

A LITTLE TOWN is where you don't have to guess who your enemies are, your friends will tell you.

A LITTLE TOWN is the only place on earth where people past middle age are called by their first names when they saunter down the street.

A LITTLE TOWN is where everybody knows everybody else's car by sight . . . and also where and when it goes.

A LITTLE TOWN is where few people can get away with lying about the year they were born. Too many other

people remember them.

A LITTLE TOWN is where people with various ailments can air them properly for sympathetic ears.

A LITTLE TOWN is where, when you get the wrong number, you can talk for 15 minutes anyway, if you want to.

A LITTLE TOWN is where the ratio of good people to bad people, is something like 100 to one. That's nice to remember.

A LITTLE TOWN is where it is hard for anybody to walk for exercise because it takes too long to stop and explain to people in cars who stop, honk and offer a ride.

A LITTLE TOWN is where city folks say there is nothing to do, but those who live there don't have enough time in the week to make all the meetings and social functions.

A LITTLE TOWN is where everyone welcomes a 'neighbor' in time of need.

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A LITTLE TOWN is where business people dig deep many times to help with countless fund-raising projects.

A LITTLE TOWN is where many teen-agers say there's nothing to do and are surprised

to learn that their big-city peers are saying the same thing.

A LITTLE TOWN, when all is said and done, is a nice place in which to live.