

"I'm aging like fine milk" ~ Rodney Dangerfield

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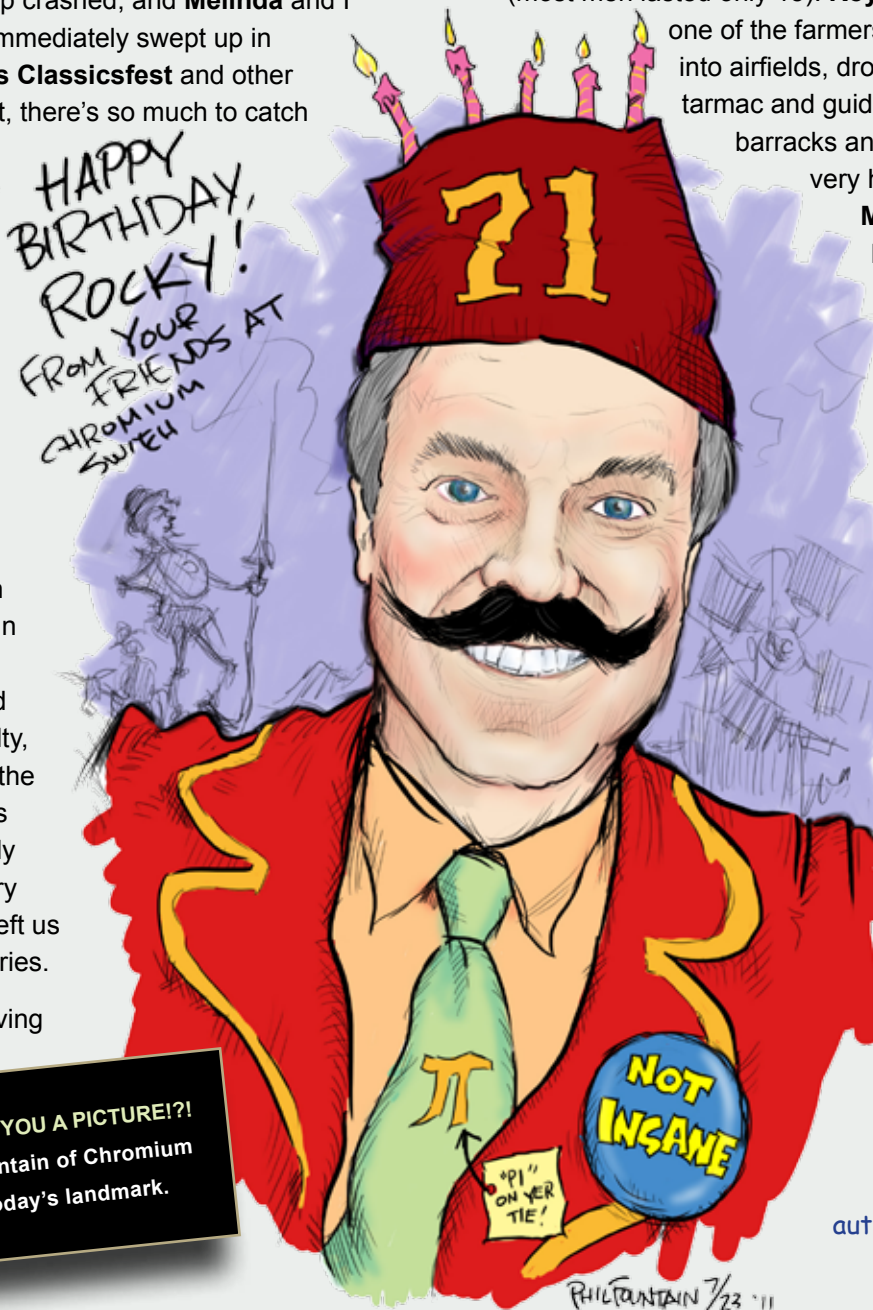
BACK FROM THE SHADOWS

Dear Planeteers. I've been back from all our travels for over a month, but was unable to send out a Planet until now because my laptop crashed, and **Melinda** and I got immediately swept up in the annual **Antaeus Classicsfest** and other projects. As a result, there's so much to catch up on it makes my head spin, but here goes:

■ Our most recent trip to the U.K. and Eastern Europe began with visits to my high school pals **George White** in March and **George Irvin**, whom I hadn't seen in a half a century, in Hove. Wives Sue and Lindsay treated us like visiting royalty, and a tour through the outrageous Prince's Pavilion and a lovely wedding anniversary dinner in Brighton left us with glowing memories.

■ But the most moving

DO I HAVE TO PAINT YOU A PICTURE!?!
Cartoonist Phil Fountain of Chromium
Switch honors today's landmark.



part of our British adventure was a trip to the airfield in Great Ashfield where from 1944-45, Melinda's dad, **John Peterson**, piloted a B-17 on an astounding 34 missions (most men lasted only 15). **Roy Barker**, grandson of one of the farmers who turned their fields into airfields, drove us onto the original tarmac and guided us through still-standing barracks and bomb-shelters and the very hanger in which **Glenn Miller** gave his last concert before his disappearance. We then repaired to the ancient church to view a memorial stain glass window dedicated to the Americans who sacrificed their lives for England.

■ Back in London, I then signed pictures at my first Comic Con alongside **Maurice LaMarche**, **Billy West**, **Phil LaMarr** and **Lauren Tom** of *Futurama*. I also shared a booth last weekend with **Dino Andrade** at the San Diego Comic Convention where I met many fans and more importantly, got to spend time with my sister-in-law, **Bonnie**.

"Think sideways!"
~ **Edward de Bono**,
author of "Lateral Thinking"

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WE LIKE IKE

"It is quite clear that the Federal government cannot avoid or escape responsibilities which the mass of the people firmly believe should be undertaken by it. The political processes of our country are such that if a rule of reason is not applied in this effort, we will lose everything – even to a possible and drastic change in the Constitution.

"This is what I mean by my constant insistence upon moderation in government. Should any political party attempt to abolish social security, unemployment insurance, and eliminate labor laws and farm programs, you would not hear of that party again in our political history.

"There is a tiny splinter group, of course, that believes you can do these things. Among them are H. L. Hunt...a few other Texas oil millionaires, and an occasional politician or businessman...Their number is negligible and they are stupid."

– From a letter to Eisenhower's brother, Edgar
November 8, 1954

"He talks a lot and he's not very bright.
And that's a combination I like in Republicans."
~ James Carville on Texas Gov. Rick Perry

CATCHING UP, PART TWO

■ While in London, we saw the incredible *Warhorse*, *Rocket to The Moon* at the National and *Pygmalion* with Dame **Diana Rigg**, with whom I worked in a series by the late **Leonard Stern**. We also made a pilgrimage to the 24,367th performance of **Agatha Christie's The**

INTRODUCTIONS. In Great Ashfield we visited where Melinda's father flew. And, below, we met our new grand-daughter, Audre . . .



Mousetrap, which I first saw with my mom in 1954. And on our last morning our pals the **Bellings** treated us to breakfast at The Wolseley where I was introduced to "Kedgerree," a savory smoked haddock dish. Yum.

■ Our stays in Prague and Budapest were perfect – beautiful cities both, full of grand sights, handsome young people and music. Side trips to the Ossuary in Kutna Hora and up the Danube were also highlights.

■ And to top things off, we returned to L.A. just in time to for the birth of **Audre Elizabeth Campbell**, **Kristin** and **Geoff's** second child. Then, Melinda and I were off again to spend an inspiring week in West Plains, Missouri at the annual National Audio Theatre Festival, teaching "radio acting" and performing in a live broadcast of original plays.

■ Back home at last, I got to overdub a wonderful character in a 3-D Russian animated film called *The Prince of Atlantis* for **Steve Kramer** and **Mimi Maynard** and will soon be recreating the voice of **President McKinley** for an **Oliver Stone** Showtime series. I booked both jobs after sending MP3s from Eastern Europe. What a world...

"If you only learn one phrase in another language,
I'd recommend 'one more beer'.
~ David Attenborough

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GAFFE LAFFS. Palin riffs on Revere's ride, while Bachmann mixes her Waterloo son sets . . .

POLITICS AS USUAL

And while we were away, the All American Political Circus was often the subject of foreign TV stories. We learned, for example, that when **Rep. Michele Bachmann** kicked off her presidential campaign in her hometown, she pledged to honor the spirit of Waterloo, Iowa's own son, **John Wayne**. Only Waterloo's John Wayne was not the iconic movie star but actually **John Wayne Gacy**, serial killer. Oooops.

We also caught a feature on **Sarah Palin** talking about **Paul Revere**. "He who warned, uh, the British that they weren't going to be taking away our arms uh by ringing those bells and making sure, as he's riding his horse through town to send those warning shots and bells, that we were going to be secure, and we were going to be free, and we were going to be armed."

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"How does a fool and his money get together in the first place?" ~ Just Asking

MORE BLASTS FROM THE PAST

We also learned that the late **Bin Laden**'s compound contained a collection of Adult DVDS, and here are some of my favorite titles:

The Sinfidels, Goats Gone Wild, The Fatwa In My Pants,

Betty Bangs Baghdad, Talibanger, Sleeping With The Yemeni, Kandawhore, You Jihad Me At Halal, The Camel's Toe, Goatback Mountain, Two & A Half Goats, and Debbie Does Dubai.

*Albert Einstein never knew how to drive a car.
~ Phil's Phunny Phacts*

SHE'S ALL WET

Planeteer and Urban Water Conservation expert **Laurence Budd** writes: "Yesterday, I visited a home where we needed to install a link to the Internet for a park controller. I was wearing my EPA Watersense Partner ID.

"The lady of the house wanted to know first if I was installing a device to let Obama's regime listen in to what they are doing, steal their identities, and monitor them in their house.

"After we got that explained, she wanted to know why Obama and the EPA get to decide how much water people are allowed to have AND are they using this to restrict water from Republicans?

"I could NOT believe it! This average homemaker from Albuquerque actually believes Obama sits in his office and decides how much water each person gets, based on party affiliation. She thinks water conservation is all a plot to make conservatives die of thirst!

"And I've only managed to desiccate a couple of thousand Republicans so far," he concludes.

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"Two weeks ago, my car broke down, and my phone got disconnected. I was one electric bill away from being Amish" ~ Tom Ryan

THE LATE BETTY PERRY

The truth about me is:

I am
Limitless in my thinking,
My essence doesn't age,
My divine atom is eternal,
I change my life by changing
my mind,
I have no wrinkles on my
soul.



"The artist injects the spirit of life into a culture."

~ L. Ron Hubbard

IT'S A HOOT, MON

Angus, an elderly Scottish Jew, decided to take up golf, so he put his name in at the local club. After a week he received a message saying his application had been turned down, so he went to the club to inquire why.

"You are aware that this is a Scottish golf club?" began the secretary.

"Aye, but I am as Scottish as you are, Jock," he answered.

"This means that on formal occasions we wear kilts," continued the interviewer.

"Aye, so do I."

"And you are aware that we wear nothing under our kilts." "Aye, neither do I."

"But you are a Jew?"

"Aye that I be."

"So you are circumcised?"

"Aye, I be that, too."

Well, I am terribly sorry," concluded the interviewer, "but the members just would not feel comfortable with that."

"Ach, away with ya, man," fumed Angus. "I know that you have to be a Protestant to march with the Orangemen, and that you have to be a Catholic to become a Knight of Columbus, but this is the first time I heard that you have to be a complete prick to join a golf club."

– Jim Reynolds

"This is a big rarity that American actor spoke in Russian language. I am surprised!!! Your voice sounded for frame: History Toy, Bug's Life, Toy Story Also, Corporation Crock and In Quest of Nemo."
~ Robotic Russian fan mail

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"Everybody is a genius, but if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid." ~ Albert Einstein

"People can live longer without food than without information." ~ Arthue C. Clarke

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