

"A free society is a society where it is safe to be unpopular." ~ Amelia Earhart

# Planet Maybe



I've returned to the challenging task of editing my memoirs, ***Where's My Fortune Cookie***, and have been participating in the New Play reading workshop at Antaeus. I've also recently acted in and directed some more **Golden Age of Pulp Fiction** shows in Hollywood, bringing **L. Ron Hubbard's** stories to the stage and am featured as the announcer on the CD ***The Adventures of Big Dan Frater*** and as **Detective Polehaus** in the ongoing light-hearted Christian radio series, ***Adventures in Odyssey***.

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INTERNET LINK.

I've also reunited with my friend **Greg Snegoff**, dubbing the Italian TV series "**Agento Antimafia**" into English. But the most exciting is working with the talented **Jamie Alcroft**, formerly of ***Mack & Jamie***, writing and performing our ongoing web series ***Boomers on a Bench***, directed by my darling wife, **Melinda Peterson** and taped and crewed by longtime **Firesign Theatre** collaborator **Andy Thomas**, who is our "Best Boy." **HERE'S THE LATEST**

"People who are trying to make this world worse  
are not taking the day off - why should I" ~ **Bob Marley**

## I'LL HAVE WHAT HE'S HAVING

**A** Mormon was seated next to an Irishman on a flight from London. After the plane was airborne, drink orders were taken and the Irishman asked for a whiskey, which was promptly brought and placed before him.



The Flight Attendant then asked the Mormon if he would like a drink, and he replied in disgust, "I'd rather be savagely raped by a dozen whores than let liquor touch my lips."

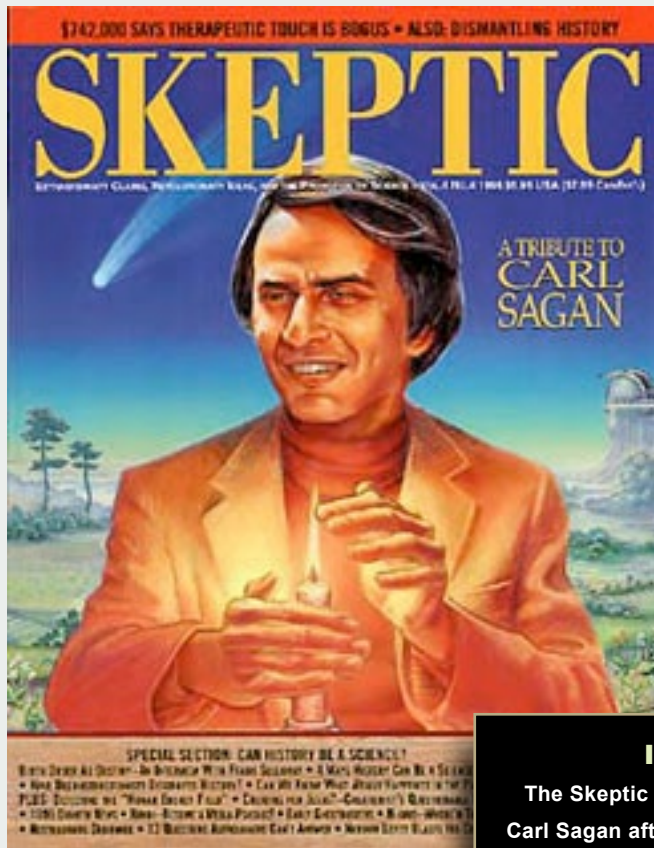
The Irishman immediately handed his drink back to the attendant and said, "Me too! I didn't know we had a choice."

*"Some people have no love for their fellow man. I hate people like that." ~ Tom Hensley*

## YOU DON'T SAY

**I**n science it often happens that scientists say, 'You know, that's a really good argument; my position is mistaken,' and then they would actually change their minds and you never hear that old view from them again. They really do it," said **Carl Sagan** in an 1987 **Skeptical Society** keynote address.

"It doesn't happen as often as it should, because



### INDUBITABLY

The Skeptic Society published a tribute to Carl Sagan after his 1996 death. HIGHLIGHTS

scientists are human and change is sometimes painful, " he continued. "But it happens every day.

"I cannot recall the last time something like that happened in politics or religion," he concluded.

*"No man has ever put his hand up a woman's dress looking for a library card." ~ Joan Rivers*



## ANOTHER OLD JOKE

**A**fter 35 years of marriage a husband and wife went for counseling, and the wife immediately went into a tirade listing every problem they ever had in the years they'd been married -- neglect, lack of intimacy, emptiness, loneliness, feeling unloved and unlovable, an entire laundry list of unmet needs she had endured.

Then, after listening patiently, the therapist got up, asked the wife to stand and promptly embraced her and kissed her long and passionately as her stunned husband watched with raised eyebrows.

"This is what your wife needs at least three times a week," the therapist finally said to the gaping husband. "Can you do this?"

"Well," he said after regaining his composure, "I can drop her off on Mondays and Wednesdays -- but on Fridays, I golf."

*"If you don't read the newspapers, you're uninformed. If you do read the newspapers, you're misinformed." ~ Mark Twain*

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## SOMETHING'S HAPPENING HERE

**U**ber, the world's largest taxi company owns no vehicles," observes **Tom Goodwin** for **Havas Media**. "**Facebook**, the world's most popular media owner, creates no content. **Alibab**, the most valuable retailer, has no inventory and **Airbnb**, the world's largest accommodation provider, owns no real estate.

"Something interesting is happening." What it is, ain't exactly clear... Or is it?

*"To be an American is a complex fate."*

*~ Henry James*

## OLD FARTS

**I** was in a **Starbucks Coffee** recently when my stomach started rumbling and I realized that I desperately needed to pass some gas. The place was packed but the music was really loud, so to get relief, I timed my farts to the beat of the music. After a couple of songs I started to feel much better. But as I finished my coffee, I noticed that everyone was staring at me.

Then, I remembered that I was listening to my I-Pod with ear buds. This is why I don't trust modern technology!

*"When a mosquito lands on your testicles, you come to realize there is value in solving problems without using violence." ~ Phil's Phunny Phacts*

## A LITTLE DAB'LL DO YA

**N**orway's Minister of Culture has proclaimed that FM-radio broadcasts will be phased out commencing in 2017, allowing for a transition to Digital Audio Broadcasting, or DAB, which already provides 22 national channels, instead of FM radio's five.

"This is an important day for everyone who loves radio," says Norwegian Broadcasting Corporation president **Thor Gjermund Eriksen**. "The minister's decision allows us to concentrate our resources even more upon what is most important – namely to create high quality and diverse radio content for our listeners." FM, or Frequency Modulation radio, was patented in 1933, but more and more people are tuning out, opting to replace analog radio with Internet-only services.

It seems like it's only a matter of time before other countries follow Norway's lead, foretelling the end of an audio era. Don't touch that dial.

*"Looking for males and females with the last name Power(s). First initial J. middle initial D. Leave a note with middle name." ~ Casting Call*



**... AND OFF THE AIR!**

Soon to be (only) a minor motion picture!



**DARN TOOTIN'!**

Call me 'I Smell'

## DON'T ASK

**A**s most Silver Surfers know, sometimes we have trouble with our computers. Yesterday I had a problem, so I called Georgie, the 11-year-old next door whose bedroom looks like Mission Control, and asked him to come over. Sure enough, after deftly clicking a couple of buttons, he solved the problem. But as he was walking away, I asked, "So, what was wrong?" and he replied, "It was an ID ten T error."

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I didn't want to appear stupid, but still inquired, "An ID ten T error? What is that, in case I need to fix it again?"

"Haven't you ever heard of an ID ten T error before?" Georgie grinned; and I replied, "No."

He said, "Write it down," and left. So I wrote down: "ID10T". I used to like Georgie, the little shit.

*A Canadian, a Cuban and a white supremacist walk into a bar. The bartender says, 'What will you have Senator Cruz?' ~ Phil's Phunny Phacts*

## INDIAN GIVER

**F**red was driving home from one of his business trips in Northern Arizona when he saw an elderly Navajo man walking on the side of the road. As the trip was a long and quiet one, he stopped the car and asked the man if he'd like a ride. With a grateful nod of acceptance, the Indian got into the car.

Resuming the journey, Fred tried in vain to make a bit of small talk with the Navajo, but the old guy just sat silently, looking intently at everything he saw, studying every little detail, until he noticed a brown bag on the seat next to Fred.

"What in bag?" asked the old man. Fred looked down at the brown bag and said: "It's a bottle of wine. I got it for my wife."

The Navajo man was silent for another moment or two. Then, speaking with the quiet wisdom of an elder, he said, "Good trade."

*"The gentleman understands what is moral. The small man understands what is profitable." ~ Confucius*

## HOLD ON THERE

**A** group of 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders, accompanied by two female teachers, went on a field trip to the local racetrack to learn about thoroughbred horses, and when it was time for a bathroom break, it was decided that the girls would go with one teacher and the boys with the other.

The teacher assigned to the boys was waiting outside the men's room when one of the students came out and told her

that none of them could reach the urinal, so having no choice, she went inside and began hoisting the little boys up one by one, holding on to their wee-wees so they wouldn't wet their clothes. But as she lifted one young man, she couldn't help but notice that he was unusually well endowed; and blushing in spite of herself, she said, "You must be in the 5th grade," and he replied: "No, ma'am, I'm riding Silver Arrow in the seventh race, but I appreciate your help."

*"All happy families are alike - each unhappy family is unhappy in its own way." ~ Leo Tolstoy*

## POMPEII AND CIRCUMSTANCE

**A**fter culling through enough of our Italy photos to fill a gondola, **Planet Proctor's** longtime designer, **Cristofer Gross**, is off to Rome. Actually it's to visit his daughter, **Nicole**, who graduates from the American University in Rome later this month. He's looking forward to a behind-the-cordon tour of Pompeii, where Nicole has been part of the international **Pompeii Archaeology Research Project** during the past two summers and will be again in July. The project, saluted in Apple's 30-year anniversary film, is the first archeological site to be completely paperless, except for the sketches of artifacts, some of which Nicole drew. --The graphics-nut doesn't fall far from the tree!

*"A fanatic is one who redoubles his efforts when he has forgotten his aim." ~ Georges Santayana*

## AIDERS

**Keith Hebble, Kenneth Wilhite, Jr., Victor Kopcewich, Nick Oliva, Sylvie Mae Baldwin, Lance Rucker, David Morgenstern, M.C. Gwynne, Kent McCaman, Jamie Alcroft, Marc Cashman, Tom Hensley,** and get-well wishes to our Antaeian colleague and master actor **Greg Itzin**, who suffered a heart attack while playing Falstaff in a matinee of **Henry 4, part one**.

*"I'm an actor. I put on makeup for a living. Give me a break." ~ Russell Crowe*

# ADDERS

**WATCH THIS THUNDERMAN**

**SAS**

**LET'S EAT**

**DON'T EAT**

**ABBEY**

**OLD MAN**

**BUD**

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**"The only thing we have to fear is forgetting exactly what we were afraid of." ~ Sayings of Chairman Tom**

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