

"All of humanity's problems stem from man's inability to sit quietly in a room alone." ~ Blaise Pascal

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Planet Quarantine

Attention Seekers

Brad Schreiber and I are delighted to announce a new nomination (below) for *Where's my Fortune Cookie?* from *The Independent Audiobook Awards!* Winners will be announced on June 12 as part of this year's special all-virtual #HEARNowFest – so don't touch that dial!

And I'm further happy to reveal another nomination [[LINK](#)], this time in the Audio Drama category for my performance in "Rats Have Sharp Teeth," adapted by **Lance Roger Axt** as part of **The Vault of Horror** series, directed at the Invisible Studio in Hollywood by our dear late friend **William Dufris**. Keep your ears crossed, and while you're waiting, seek out the audiobook and the book itself through amazon.com [[LINK](#)]



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A moveable fun-feast from confinement.



2020 FINALISTS

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BIOGRAPHY/MEMOIR

A Journey to the Center of the Mind

by James R. Fitzgerald
Performed by John N Gully

Sarge!: Cases of a Chicago Police Detective Sergeant

by John A. DiMaggio
Performed by Kevin Pierce

The Man with 17 Lives

by Bill Vaznis
Performed by Derek Shoales

This Ain't My Life

by Bilal Alaji
Performed by Bilal Alaji

Where's My Fortune Cookie

by Phil Proctor & Brad Schreiber
Performed by Phil Proctor

Pink Eye

AT THE NATIONAL ART GALLERY IN DUBLIN, a husband and wife were staring at a portrait that had them completely confused. The painting depicted three black men totally naked, sitting on a bench. Two of the figures had black penises, but the one in the middle had a pink penis.

The curator of the gallery realized that they were having trouble interpreting the painting and offered his personal assessment. He went on for over half an hour explaining how it depicted the sexual emasculation of African Americans in a predominately white, patriarchal society.

"In fact," he said, "some serious critics believe that the pink penis may also reflect the cultural and sociological oppression experienced by gay men in contemporary society."

After the curator left, an Irishman approached the couple and said, "Would you like to know what the painting is really about?"

"Now why would you claim to be more of an expert than the curator of the gallery,"



MINE SHAFT
The art of the working lunch.

asked the couple. "Because I am the artist who painted the picture," he replied.

"In fact, there are no African Americans depicted at all," he explained. "They're just three Irish coal miners..."

"The guy in the middle went home for lunch."

*"This cross is perfect for the
Easter and Passover seasons!"*

~ QVC on-air host

Who AMA us anyway?

THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION HAS weighed in on Trump's Corona strategy:

The Allergists were in favor of scratching it, but the

Dermatologists advised not to make any rash moves. The **Gastroenterologists** had sort of a gut feeling about it, but the **Neurologists** thought the Administration had a lot of nerve.

Meanwhile, **Obstetricians** felt certain everyone was laboring under a misconception, while the **Ophthalmologists** considered the idea shortsighted.

Pathologists yelled, "Over my dead body!" while the **Pediatricians** said, "Oh, grow up!" The **Psychiatrists** thought the whole idea was madness, while the **Radiologists** could see right through it.

Surgeons decided to wash their hands of the whole thing and the **Internists** claimed it would

Dear Diary

- Day 1** I Can Do This!! Got enough food and wine to last a month!
- Day 2** Opening my 8th bottle of Wine -- fear wine supplies might not last
- Day 3** Strawberries: Some have 210 seeds, some have 235 seeds. Who Knew??
- Day 4** Removed my Day Pajamas and put on my Night Pajamas.
- Day 5** Today I tried to make Hand Sanitizer -- came out as Jello Shots!!
- Day 6** I get to take the Garbage out. I'm SO excited, I can't decide what to wear.
- Day 7** Laughing way too much at my own jokes!!
- Day 8** Went to a new restaurant called "The Kitchen." You have to make your own meal. I have no clue

how this place is still in business.

Day 9 Put liquor bottles in every room. Tonight -- I'm going Bar Hopping.

Day 10 Struck up a conversation with a Spider today. He's a Web Designer.

Day 11 I swear my fridge just said, "What the hell do you want now?"

Day 12 I realized why dogs get so excited about going for walks or car rides. I think I just barked at a squirrel.

Day 13 If you keep a glass of wine in each hand, you can't accidentally touch your face.

Day 14 Watched the birds fight over a worm. The Cardinals led the Blue Jays 3-1.

"If I want to take 20 minutes to tie my shoelaces, I can do it."

~ Randy Newman

Pan-dumbic

AMERICA: Oh my god! Coronavirus! What should we do?

CALIFORNIA: *Shut down your states.*

AMERICA: Wait... what? Why?

CALIFORNIA: *Because 40 million people live here and we did it early, and it's working.*

OHIO: Whoa... whoa... let's not be hasty now. The president said this whole thing is a Democrat hoax.

CALIFORNIA: *He also said that windmills cause cancer. Shut down your state.*

TEXAS: But the president said that we only have 15 cases and soon it'll be zero.

CALIFORNIA: *The president can't count to fifteen. Nor even spell it. Shut down your state.*

NEW JERSEY: Us, too?

CALIFORNIA: *Yes, you guys, too. Just like when Christie shut down the bridge, but it's your whole state.*

FLORIDA: But think about all these kids on spring break. They spend a lot of money here!

CALIFORNIA: *Those kids invented the Tide pod challenge. Shut down your state.*

LOUISIANA: Wait a minute! Let's have Mardi Gras first. It entertains folks.

CALIFORNIA: *It also kills them. Shut it down.*

GEORGIA: Ok, well how about we keep the state open for all of our mega churches? Maybe we can all pray really hard until the coronavirus goes away!

CALIFORNIA: *Which works like a charm for mass shootings. Jesus told us, to tell you, to shut down your state.*

OKLAHOMA: What about the Tigers?

CALIFORNIA: *What about a dentist. Shut it down.*

WYOMING: Hold up, maybe we should go county by county like the president said.

CALIFORNIA: *Wyoming is a county. Shut it down.*

PENNSYLVANIA: What about big coal?

CALIFORNIA: *What about big death. Shut it.*

NORTH CAROLINA: But the Republican National Convention is coming here!

CALIFORNIA: *SHUT... ok fine, do what you want...*

The LA Times' Chris Erskine, calls his lawyer: "Billable Bob" ~ Phil's Funny Phacts

indeed be a bitter pill to swallow. The **Plastic Surgeons** opined that this proposal would "put a whole new face on the matter." The **Podiatrists** thought it was a step forward, but the **Urologists** were pissed off at the whole idea.

Anesthesiologists thought the whole idea was a gas, and those lofty **Cardiologists** didn't have the heart to say no. In the end, the **Proctologists** won out, leaving the entire decision up to the assholes in the White House...

*"We are all born ignorant, but one must work hard to remain stupid."
~ Benjamin Franklin*

I think we're all bozos on this bus

HALF OF US ARE GOING TO COME out of this quarantine as amazing cooks; the other half will come out with a drinking problem. I need to practice social distancing – from the refrigerator. I'm so excited – it's time to take out the garbage. What should I wear? Still haven't decided where to go for Easter – the Living Room or the Bedroom. I hope the weather's good tomorrow for my trip to *Puerto Backyarda*. I don't think anyone expected that when we changed the

clocks, we'd go from Standard Time to the Twilight Zone. This morning I saw a neighbor talking to her cat whom she obviously thought understood her. I came into my house and told my dog. He laughed 'til we peed! My body has absorbed so much soap and disinfectant lately that when I pee it cleans the toilet.



Saw a classified ad today: "Single man with toilet paper seeks woman with hand sanitizer for good clean fun." I used to spin that toilet paper like I was on "Wheel of

Stay HOME Bill

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Broadway Musicals in the age of Coronavirus

Don't Kiss Me Kate

A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Pharmacy

Don't Come from Away

Little Shop of Hoarders

Damn Hankies

NO Company

How to Succeed in Business Without Leaving Your Couch

Two Gentlemen with Corona

The Sound of Mucus

No More Sundays in the Park with George
9-5 (But 7-9 for Seniors)

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Lab Coat

Dear Evan Hand Sanitizer

The Fantastik ... 409

An American Quarantined in Paris

A Gentleman's Guide to Handwashing

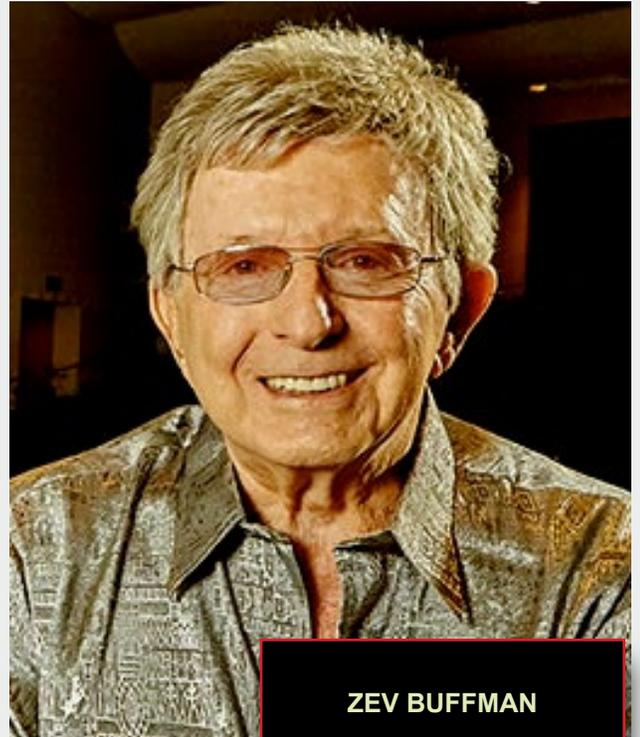
The Band's Visit is Postponed



Fortune!" Now I turn it like I'm cracking a safe.

At least the home-schooling is going well; although some students were suspended for fighting, a teacher was fired for drinking on the job, and my child just said, "I hope I don't have the same teacher next year".... I'm offended.

Better 6 feet apart than 6 feet under.
~ Phil's Phunny Phacts



Exit Zev

PROLIFIC PRODUCER ZEV BUFFMAN, 89, died of natural causes Wednesday in Seattle. In his later years he oversaw planning and fundraising for **Ruth Eckerd Hall** in Clearwater, Florida, spearheading a multi-million dollar renovation of that facility, as well as the **Capitol Theatre**.

Zev won numerous Tony Awards for producing such Broadway plays as **The Little Foxes** directed by **Austin Pendleton** and starring **Elizabeth Taylor** and also in his earlier days, produced national tours, some in which I performed.

He also founded the famed **Parker Playhouse** in Fort Lauderdale, where I appeared with **Bob Cummings** in **Generation** during the venue's first season – and then 50 years later, I trod the same worn boards in **The BBC Murders**,



GENERATIONS
Cummings and Proctor on stage in Florida.

created by **David Ossman** and **Judith Walcutt** with **Melinda Peterson** as Agatha Christie.

I called him a “Jewish leprechaun” and thought he would live forever – which he will, in my memory! We extend our deepest sympathy to Zev’s wife **Vilma**, their children and family.

“Even when I’m wrong, I’m right!”
~ Rightwing OAN commentator **Gray Ledger**

Friending

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And stay tuned for the premier of our impending podcast **Phil & Ted’s Sexy Boomer Show: ‘Bunker to Bunker,’** featuring interviews with guests including **Phil Hendrie, Jamie Alcroft and Danny Mann, John Goodman, David Ossman, Larry Hankin and Paul Willson, Harry Shearer and Kevin Pollak**, among other dear friends!

“How can people go to church on Sunday and hate on Monday?” ~ **Hillary Clinton**

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“If you’re not creating, you’re waiting.” ~ **Kevin Pollak**



“It is a great advantage to a president and a major source of safety to the country, for him to know he is not a great man.” ~ **President Calvin Coolidge**

“True ignorance is not the absence of knowledge but the refusal to acquire it.” ~ **Karl Popper**

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