

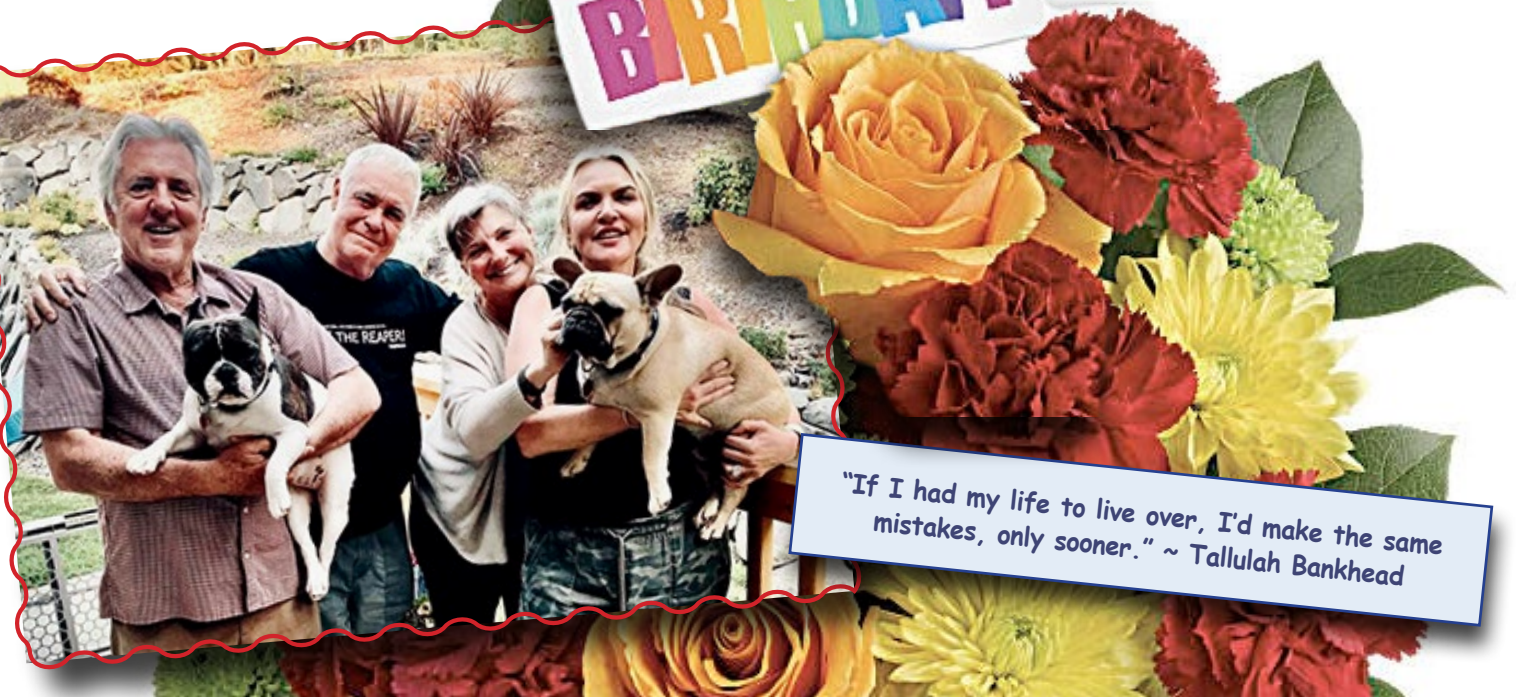
"Humor distorts nothing, and only false gods are laughed off their pedestals." ~ Agnes Repplier

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DEAR MELINDA

Our Leo festivities continued with my darling wife's natal day on August 20th, and to celebrate, we took an overnight Amtrak trip from LA to Takoma to spend a week with **Oona Austin**, the widow of my late Firesign Theatre partner, **Phil**, at their secluded compound in Washington state. We had a splendid time with furry dogs and funny friends, **Don** and **Mary** and their dogs **Fiona** and **Frank** (*below*), eating, drinking, toking, reading and binging, while enjoying the tranquility and beauty of Fox Island.



And from Port Townsend and Italy, our *Flying Karamazov* brother, **Paul Magid** (*above*), made a surprise appearance and received a Melinda moustache trim on his way to his mom's 90th birthday! – *Continued*



"If I had my life to live over, I'd make the same mistakes, only sooner." ~ Tallulah Bankhead

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DEAR MELINDA | *continued*

Upon our return, we then enjoyed a romantic outdoor dinner at West Hollywood's **La Boheme** restaurant, where 28 years ago we'd celebrated our *first* anniversary...



And as a very special gift this year, I helped my darling Melinda design a private nook on the side of our house for tippling, toking and chilling, that she has christened: **Spa Donna**.



Proctor is so old ...

THAT – ACCORDING TO MELINDA'S BROTHER Art – he visited the Dead Sea when it was only sick; when he was in school, they didn't have history, only current events; and when he saw *Jurassic Park*, it brought back memories.

He knew the Burger King when he was only a prince. He went to an antiques auction, and three people bid on him! His

idea of watching porn is *Debby does Dialysis*.

If we put all the candles on his cake, it would contribute to global warming, so let's just be honest and say that if he acted his age, he'd be dead!

"To err is human - but it feels divine." ~ Mae West



Poem for Proctor

Player of the violin,
Survivor of a gruesome massacre,
Character in films by Lassiter,
Always ready to opine
As member of The Firesign,
Visual artist, polyglot,
Beloved by all the friends he's got,
Light as air, yet somehow weighty,
Can it be he's turning eighty?

~ Jim Meskimen

"People see God every day; they
just don't recognize Him." ~ Pearl Bailey

That's the ticket

AS I WAS WALKING BACK TO MY CAR, I SAW A Meter Maid writing out a parking ticket and I said, "I'm sorry, I just got here, can't you tear that ticket up?" She said, "No I can't," and slapped it on the car's windshield. So, I said, "You bitch! I'm right here, and you're still writing me a ticket???" And she started writing up another ticket for "verbal abuse."

I was so incensed that I yelled, "I can't believe you *did* that, you sniveling little excuse for a human being. Screw you!" And she wrote ANOTHER ticket, slapping it defiantly on the windshield.

I composed myself and casually walked away to my car that was about three up from the one with all of the tickets on the windshield -- and the TRUMP bumper sticker on the back. Life is good.

"What do we live for, if it is not to make life less
difficult for each other." ~ George Elliot

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VISIONS

A still from History Channel's "Project Blue Book," inspired by the investigations undertaken by the US Air Force.

Still a player ...

... of the *Top 10 party games for octogenarians*:

- 10 Musical recliners
- 9 Spin the bottle of Viagra
- 8 Hide and go pee
- 7 Simon Says – but I can't hear him
- 6 Capture the bedpan
- 5 Red Rover, Red Rover, the nurse says bend over
- 4 Pin the toupee on the bald guy
- 3 Remember these words: person, woman, man, camera, TV
- 2 Kick the bucket
- 1 Sag – you're it!

"Don't accept rides from strange men - and remember, all men are strange as hell!" ~ **Robin Morgan**

Aliens! Register Now!

FOR NEARLY A CENTURY, CLANDESTINE UFO intel programs — **Project Mogul**, **Project Sign**, **Project Grudge**, **Project Blue Book**, **Project Ozma** — had one guiding principle: blanket denial.

UFOs were weather balloons or streetlamps or migrating birds. They were illusions refracted by the natural world, fantasies of deranged imaginations, or (according to Airforce General **Curtis Goatheart** in The Firesign Theatre's ***Everything You Know Is Wrong***) "Plates of pie in the sky, dry-cleaning bags filled with marsh gas, or mass hallucinations!"

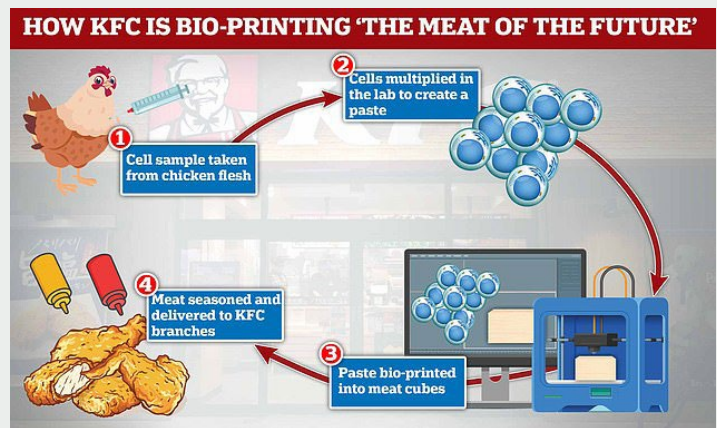
All of that has changed dramatically, starting with a 2017 *New York Times* blockbuster that revealed the existence of the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program,

which included at least three videos showing aircraft violating the laws of aerodynamics and suddenly what was once the stuff of *The Daily Toilet* is now taken seriously by politicians and scientists.

In fact, astrophysicist **Eric Davis** briefed a Department of Defense agency this March after examining certain materials that "we couldn't make," that they may be from "off-world vehicles not made on this earth." Like the KIO?

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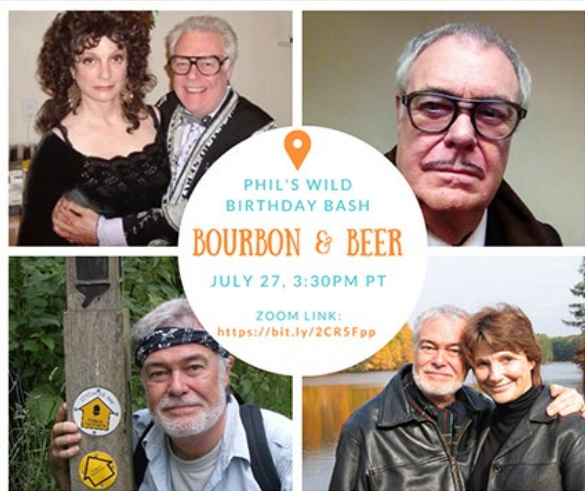
"In politics, pain is the only teacher."
~ **Rick Wilson**, *The Lincoln Project*



Kan't find chicken?

IN A RECENT PRESS RELEASE, KFC REVEALED IT will test chicken nuggets in Moscow next year utilizing 3D-printing techniques used in medicine to create tissue and organs.

The Colonel announced, from beyond the grave, that the production of 3D-printed chicken is more environmentally friendly than the traditional production process. "Crafted meat products are the next step in the development of our



"Restaurants of the Future," agreed **Raisa Polyakova**, CEO of KFC Russia "[We] can also help address several looming global problems. We are glad to contribute to its development." And she said off the record: "It's NOT poison!"

Although it's not currently widely used, lab-grown meat such as **Impossible Foods** and **Beyond Meat** is a heavily researched product that investors hope will be on the market soon. Also, KFC announced it would sell **Beyond Fried Chicken**, for a limited time, at over 50 California restaurants following "wildly successful tests" in Nashville, Atlanta, and Charlotte.

Or as **Sneezer's Chicken** says, "Don't chicken out, visit our chicken in!"

*"The greatest enemy of knowledge is not ignorance; it is the illusion of knowledge."
~ Daniel J. Boorstin*

Goners

AND A SAD BON VOYAGE TO **Regis Philbin**, **Trini Lopez** and **Olivia de Havilland**, among others. I knew some of them personally, since Regis was once a neighbor, but you probably knew them too in your hearts and

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minds – so, bless them all – and thanks for the memories...

"Always be a first-rate version of yourself, instead of a second-rate version of someone else." ~ Judy Garland

Aids

JOAN ALLEMAND, **TED BONNITT**, **JIM Meskimen**, **Kenneth Wilhite, Jr.**, **Brad Zinn**, **Ted Bonnitt**, **Kristin Campbell**, **Betsy Brubaker** and **Sara Campbell!**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MY SON-IN-LAW, **GEOFF CAMPBELL!**

And very personal thanks to **Linda Pountney** and **Art Peterson** for the Great "Almost 80" Zoom party!

And lastly, but not leastly, to **Oona Austin** for her boundless hospitality, and the staff of **Camp Beaver Wind** for use of the Canoe House.

*Chocolate comes from cocoa - a tree, which makes it a plant. Chocolate is salad.
~ Phil's Phunny Phacts*



REGIS PHILBIN
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"One of the difficulties of being alive today is that everything is absurd, but fewer and fewer things are funny." ~ Alexandra Petri

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