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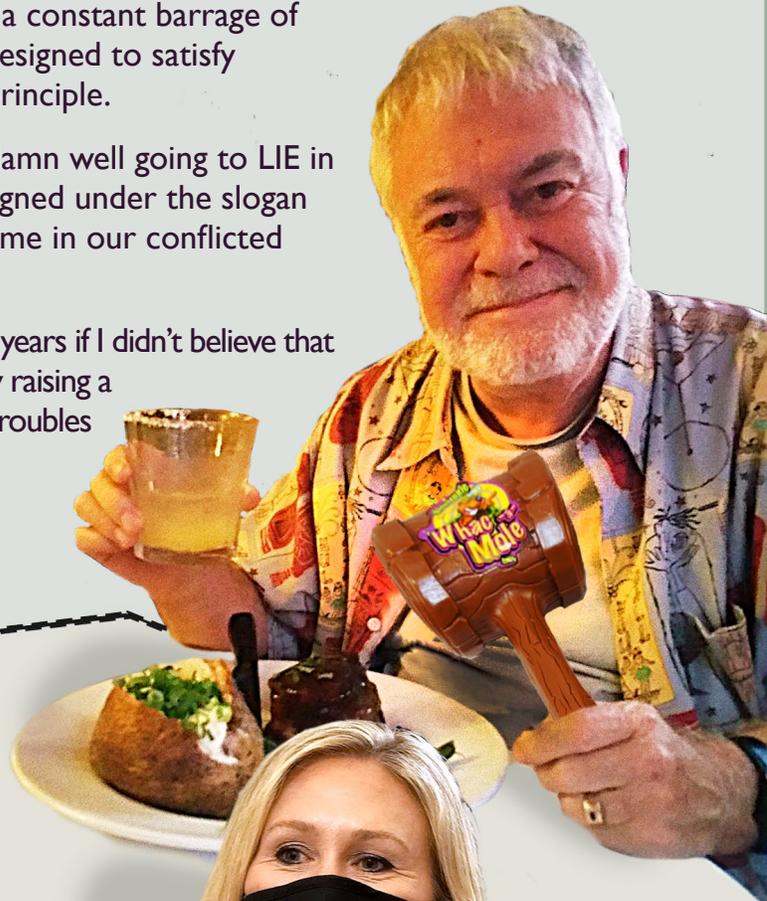
"Easy is overrated." ~ Sally Field

Forward, March!

The Republican majority is slogging doggedly onward on the perilous path to Fascism, by banning books in schools, attacking gay, lesbian and trans people and even drag shows, Gerrymandering to exclude black voters, passing legislation in so-called Red states to limit voting rights for all, banning birth control, criminalizing abortion and threatening women with the death penalty, encouraging open carry of weapons, militarizing the police, and questioning aid to Ukraine, denying Russia's criminal invasion of a sovereign European nation and the social media misinformation campaign designed to divide our own country and undermine our very Democracy, aided and abetted by Far Right broadcasts on radio and TV, including the Fox so-called News and its propogandists **Tucker Carlson, Sean Hannity** and the rest who provide a constant barrage of admitted lies and dangerous conspiracy theories designed to satisfy their deluded viewers for the sake of profit over principle.

Looks to me like we've made our bed, and we're damn well going to LIE in it; and a clown named **Shicklgrubber**, who campaigned under the slogan "Make Germany Great Again," would feel *right* at home in our conflicted country.

But heck, I wouldn't be spinning *The Planet* for over 30 years if I didn't believe that humor can heal as it reveals; so let's kick off this orbit by raising a glass to the Fighting Irish, who have surmounted many troubles of their own. *Slante*!



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Dinner with Fiends: Trump, Tucker
and M. Taylor Greene

"Two Irishmen walk out of a bar. It could happen!"
~ Walter Matthew

One down

A N IRISHMAN POPS INTO A DUBLIN PUB AND orders three shots of Jameson. He then solemnly downs each shot, pays the barman, and leaves. And every time he comes in after that, he repeats the same routine. The publican eventually asks him why he always drinks exactly three shots.

"Well, it's one for me and one for both of my brothers," he tells the bartender. "Pat is in America and Mike is in Australia, and we all do this to feel like we're still drinking together."

But a month later he sits down and orders two shots. "Oh no," says the barman. "I'm sorry for your loss. Was it the one in America or Australia?"

"Jesus no, it's nuttin' like dat" he replies. "It's just that I've decided to stop drinkin'."

"I never drink water. Fishes fuck in it."
~ WC Fields

Love nothing

A PARISH PRIEST AND A BISHOP ARE HAVING a tennis match. The bishop is very competitive but can't seem to bring his A-game to the priest who is clearly better.

After a volley from the priest, the bishop misses and yells: "Goddamn it! I missed!" – startling the priest. He lets it slip and the match continues. But alas, after a fierce back-hand from the priest, the bishop misses and again yells: "Goddamn it! I missed!"

"Stop it," yells the priest. "You musn't use the Lord's name in vain like that!"

The bishop apologizes. "I'm sorry, my son. I swear to you, if I do it again, may God smite me with all his might."

"Fair enough," grumbles the priest, and the match continues, but the bishop misses and slips again, shouting "Goddamn it! I missed!"

Suddenly thick, dark clouds gather in the sky and with roaring thunder, a lightning bolt shoots down to the earth and vaporizes the ball in midair!

And then, "Damn me!" a thundering voice booms from the skies, "I missed!"

Oh, grow up

And here are John Perry Barlow's *Principles of Adult Behavior*.

1. **Be patient.** No matter what.
2. **Don't badmouth:** Assign responsibility, not blame. Say nothing of another you wouldn't say *to him*.
3. **Never assume** the motives of others are, to them, less noble than yours are to you.
4. **Expand** your sense of the possible.
5. **Don't trouble yourself** with matters you truly cannot change.
6. **Expect no more** of anyone than you can deliver yourself.
7. **Tolerate ambiguity.**
8. **Laugh** at yourself frequently.
9. **Concern yourself** with what is right rather than *who* is right.
10. **Never forget** that, no matter how certain, you might be wrong.
11. **Give up blood sports.**
12. **Remember** that your life belongs to others as well. Don't risk it frivolously.
13. **Never lie** to anyone for any reason. (Lies of omission are sometimes exempt.)
14. **Learn the needs** of those around you and respect them.
15. **Avoid the pursuit of happiness.** Seek to define your mission and pursue that.
16. **Reduce your use** of the first personal pronoun.
17. **Praise** at least as often as you disparage.
18. **Admit your errors** freely and immediately
19. **Become less suspicious of joy.**
20. **Understand humility.**
21. **Remember that LOVE** forgives everything.
22. **Foster dignity.**
23. **Live memorably.**
24. **Love yourself.**
25. **Endure.**



"Life is maintenance" ~ Phil's Phunny Phacts

"The story of the human race is war... and before history began, strife was universal and unending."

~ Sir Winston Churchill

Bottoms up

INSPIRED BY HAFNER VINEYARDS, FROM WHOM I have been receiving tasting packages for years, which includes the warning: "Do not eat the packaging as it is as they are NOT tasty! Break up boxes and recycle before opening!" See why I love them? So, here's my take on the descriptions of a new varietal, some of which I made up, but can you guess which are REAL?



2009 Cabernet of Dr. Caligari

Tones of French plums, raspberries, forest floor, black truffles and mint jelly. Carpaccio di goat heart, with aromas of cream soda, roasted coffee, toasted bread, Hershey's kisses and India ink. Silky, chewy and lively on the palate with hints of granite and Olive Oyl. Soft entry. Long finish."

So drink up, Planetears – but remember, in space, there is no up or down...

"Aren't we smart to marry our future nurses?"

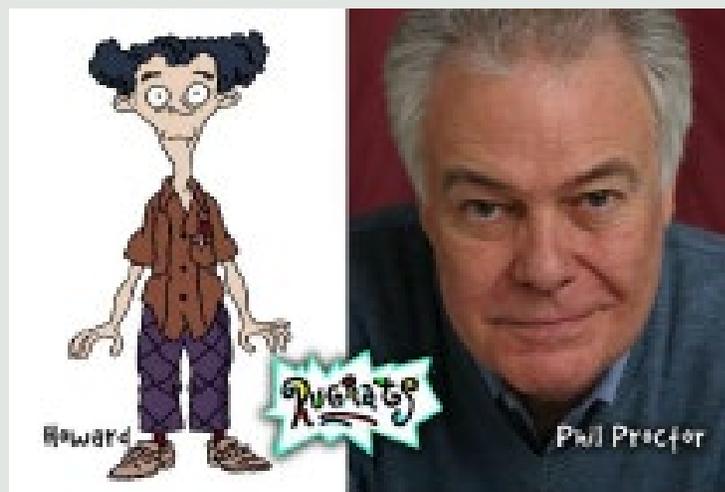
~ Phil's Phunny Phacts

Howard's End

REALLY ENJOY GETTING FAN MAIL FROM all over the world, but this note from **Ashley** in Hartfordshire, U.K. is worth sharing:

"I really enjoy your voices as Howard in the *Rugrats*, as well as Rusty in *Pound Puppies*, Season 2/Episode 17 from 1987. I love how Howard Deville was a serious faithful man towards Betty and their baby children, along with keeping their marriage together, and I give the writers respect for keeping that faithfulness in the episodes when both are on screen.

"The fictional marriage worked, since it showed that Betty and Howard were always meant for each other,



and that it did help give stability throughout Phil and Lil's lives, both in the *Rugrats* and the *All Grown Up* series. I appreciate your passion towards the role even when you know it's not real to any a marriage. Betty and Howard kept the marriage going, even when it's strained.

"I respect how you are able to give a sense of real affection to either of the **Kath Soucie** or **Patricia Parris** who voice each of the wives of the character you voice on each show, since the way you voice both Howard and Rusty gives the real feeling of a Dad who loves his spouse as well as his children.

"It also shows how much both characters, be it a Man or a Dog, have responsibilities to help raise their kids and be a true and loving husband to their wife. I like how Rusty's voice is very smoothly done as well. I really adore how you voice a concerned dog. Rusty loves his wife, so he wants the very best for her and the pups.

"I know that Howard sang Phil and Lil to sleep with a lullaby, and personally, I's love to have Lil sing me a lullaby, because Kath Soucie's voice is so adorably cute. I also think that if she sang me a lullaby as Lil, then I'd get to sleep within a minute.

"Thank you for reading my letter."

Thank YOU, Ashley, and a postcard is on the way...

"It's not what you don't know that kills you. It's what you know for sure that ain't true." ~ Mark Twain

Alo-ha-ha!

TWO IRISH PRIESTS WERE GOING TO GO TO Hawaii to celebrate St. Patrick's Day, and they also decided that they would make this a truly unique vacation if they wouldn't be

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wearing anything that would identify them as clergy, so as soon as the plane landed, they headed for a store and bought some really outrageous shorts, shirts, sandals and sunglasses.

Hitting on beach chairs, enjoying a drink, the sunshine, and the scenery when a dropdead gorgeous blond in a tiny bikini came walking straight towards them. They couldn't help but stare and when she passed, she smiled and said, "Good morning, Father," to them both and jiggled on by. They were both stunned. How in the world did she recognize them as priests?

So, the next day they went back to the store, bought even more outrageous outfits - so loud, you could hear them - and again settled in their beach chairs to enjoy the sunshine, but after a while, the same gorgeous blond in a string bikini this time, came walking toward them and greeted them individually: "Good morning, Father - Good morning, Father," and started to walk away.

One of the priests couldn't stand it and said, "Just a minute, young lady. Yes, we are priests, and proud of it, but how in the world did you know?"

"Oh, Father," she said, "Don't you recognize me? I'm Sister Angela!"

*"Aren't we smart to marry our future drivers?"
~ Phil's Phunny Phacts*

No talking to strangers

A LITTLE 12-YEAR-OLD GIRL WAS

walking home when a big man on a black motorcycle pulled up beside her. After following along for a while, the rider turns to her and asks, "Hey there little girl," and winks, "do you want to go for a ride?" "NO!" says the little girl as she keeps on walking.

The motorcyclist again pulls up

beside her and asks, "Come on now, I will give you \$10 if you hop on the back." "NO!" says the little girl again as she hurries down the street.

The motorcyclist pulls up beside the little girl again and says, "Okay, last offer! I'll give you 20 Bucks and a big bag of candy if you just hop on the back of my bike." Finally, the little girl stops and turns towards him and says, pointedly:

"Look Dad, you're the one who bought the Honda instead of the Harley...YOU RIDE IT!"

"A Contractor is a person who has the ability to make February turn into May, May into August, August into September, and so on." ~ Phil's Phunny Phacts

A purrfect pal

A DAM AND EVE SAID, "LORD WHEN WE WERE IN the garden, you walked with us every day. Now we do not see you anymore. We are lonesome here, and it is difficult for us to remember how much you love us."

And God said, "I will create a companion for you that will be with you and who will be a reflection

of my love for you so that you will love me even when you cannot see me. Regardless of how selfish or childish or unlovable, you may be, this new companion will accept

you as you are and will love you as I do, in spite of yourselves." And God created a new animal to be a companion for Adam and Eve. And it was a good animal and God was pleased.

And the new animal was pleased to be with Adam and Eve and he wagged his tail.

And Adam said, "Lord, I have already named all the animals in the Kingdom and I cannot think of a name for this new animal." And God said, "I

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have created this new animal to be a reflection of my love for you, his name will be a reflection of my own name, and you will call him DOG. And Dog lived with Adam and Eve and was a companion to them and loved them. And they were comforted. And God was pleased. And Dog was content and wagged his tail.

After a while, it came to pass that an angel came to the Lord and said, "Lord, Adam and Eve have become filled with pride. They strut and preen like peacocks, and they believe they are worthy of adoration. Dog has indeed



taught them that they are loved, but perhaps too well." And God said, "I will create for them a companion who will be with them and who will see them as they are. The companion will remind them of their limitations, so they will know that they are not always worthy of adoration."

And God created the CAT to be a companion to Adam and Eve. And Cat would not obey them. And when Adam and Eve gazed into Cat's eyes, they were reminded that they were not the Supreme Beings. And Adam and Eve learned humility. And they were greatly improved. And God was pleased. And Dog was happy. And the Cat didn't give a darn one way or the other.

"Religion is like a blind man looking in a black room for a black cat that isn't there and finding it."
~ Oscar Wilde

More sexy

OVER THE PAST FEW MONTHS, PHIL AND Ted's **Sexy Boomer Show** has transitioned from podcast-only to a weekly, live radio show heard in Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, and San Diego on KPFK- FM, 90.7 on your dial, and the strongest broadcast signal west of the Mississippi River!

Each show is will be be posted within days of the live airing on **SEXYBOOMERSHOW.COM**, and on all your favorite podcast platforms. We're in the catch-up process of posting several recent episodes, including three this week that feature:

Henry Jaglom: Maverick filmmaker and actor

Lawrence Kubik: Hollywood producer, agent, actor (and Phil's neighbor)

Ian Ruskin: Actor, writer, social activist

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"The propogandist's purpose is to make one set of people forget that certain other sets of people are human." ~ Aldous Huxley

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Richard Fish, Nick Oliva, Art Peterson and Linda Pountney for *The Dictionary of Sarcasm*, Baba-Mail and *The Week*, as usual, **Freethink with Kristin Hauser, Thom Hartmann** for daily inspiration, and a sad farewell to my friend, the beautiful **Stella Stevens**.

"The deepest sin against the human mind is to believe things without evidence." ~ Aldous Huxley

"Those who deny freedom to others, deserve it not for themselves" ~ A. Lincoln

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