

"We should just have a lottery. If you lose, you have to be speaker." ~ Rep. Mike Collins

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Love it and Leave it

At a certain moment in his life, the idea came to Nietzsche of what he called the love of your fate. Whatever your fate is, whatever the hell happens, you say, 'This is what I need.' It may look like a wreck but go at it as though it were an opportunity, a challenge."

If you bring love to that moment – not discouragement – you will find that the strength is there. Any disaster you can survive is an improvement in your character, your stature, and your life – the incidents that shaped the life you live now.



AS THE WORLD TURNS

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"I came into the world, naked I shall go out of it! And a very good thing too, for it reminds me that I am naked under my shirt, whatever its colour" ~ E.M. Forster

Gone from my sight

*I am standing upon the seashore. A ship, at my side,
spreads her white sails to the moving breeze and starts
for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength.
I stand and watch her until, at length, she hangs like a speck
of white cloud just where the sea and sky come to mingle with each other.*

Then, someone at my side says, "There, she is gone."

Gone where?

*Gone from my sight. That is all. She is just as large in mast,
hull and spar as she was when she left my side.*

*And, she is just as able to bear her load of living freight to her destined
port.*

Her diminished size is in me – not in her.

*And, just at the moment when someone says, "There, she is gone,"
there are other eyes watching her coming, and other voices
ready to take up the glad shout, "Here she comes!"*

And that is dying ...

~ Henry Van Dyke

*"Sometimes I feel like I'm discriminated
against, but ... how can any deny themselves
the pleasure of my company?"*

~ Zora Neale Hurston

Seeing double

BUBBA DIED IN A FIRE, AND HIS BODY was burned pretty badly. The morgue needed someone to identify the body, so they sent for his two best friends, **Darryl** and **Gomer**. The three men had always done everything together.

Darryl arrived first, and when the mortician pulled back the sheet, Darryl said, "Yup, his face is burned up pretty badly. You better roll him over." "The mortician rolled him over, and Darryl said, "Nope, ain't Bubba."

The mortician thought this was rather strange. Then he brought Gomer in to identify the body. Gomer looked at the body and said, "Yup, he's pretty well burned up. Roll him over." The mortician rolled him over, and Gomer said, "No, it ain't Bubba."

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*"O, let America be American again - the land that never
has been yet - and yet must be - the land where every
man is free." ~ Langston Hughes*

Artificial Stupidity

A GUY GOES INTO A BAR. THERE'S A ROBOT bartender. The robot says, "What will you have?" The guy says, "Martini." The robot brings back the best martini ever and says to the man, "What's your IQ?" The guy says, "168." The robot then proceeds to talk about physics, space exploration, and medical technology. The guy leaves, but he is curious. So he goes back into the bar. The robot bartender says, "What will you have?" The guy says, "Martini." Again, the robot makes a great martini, gives it to the man and says, "What's your IQ?"

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The guy says, "100." The robot then starts to talk about NASCAR, Budweiser, and John Deere tractors. He leaves but finds it very interesting, so he thinks he will try it one more time and goes back to the bar.

The robot says, "What will you have?" The guy says, "Martini," and the robot brings him another great martini. The robot then says, "What's your IQ?" The guy says, "Uh, about 50."

The robot leans in real close and says, "Isn't it terrible the way Biden stole the election?"

Come again?

You came naked, you will go naked.

You arrived weak, you will leave weak.

You came without money and things,

You will leave without money and things.

Your first bath? Someone washed you.

Your last bath? Someone will wash you.

This is life!!

So why so much malice, so much envy, so much hate,

So much resentment, and so much selfishness?

Be kind to everyone and do good deeds.

We have limited time on earth,

Don't waste it in uselessness.

~ Anon and on and on

*"One of the best things to learn in life,
is when something you would like to say,
can't possibly do any good." ~ The Café 50s News*

The mortician asked, "How can you tell?"

Gomer said, "Well, Bubba had two a-holes."

"What? He had two a-holes?" asked the mortician.

"Yup, I've never seen 'em, but everyone knew he had two a-holes. Every time we went to town, folks would say, "Here comes Bubba with them two a-holes!"

"Knowledge isn't power until it is applied."
~ Dale Carnegie

Remember when?

It took five minutes for the TV to warm up?

Nobody had a purebred dog?

Gas stations pumped your gas, cleaned your windshield and checked your oil and tire pressure – FOR FREE?

Your mom wore a girdle?

Decisions were made by saying "eeny-meeny-miney=moe"?

Laundry detergent had free glasses, dishes and towels – in the box?

Having a weapon in school meant being caught with a slingshot?

The worst thing you could catch was "cooties"?

Toy guns looked like real guns?

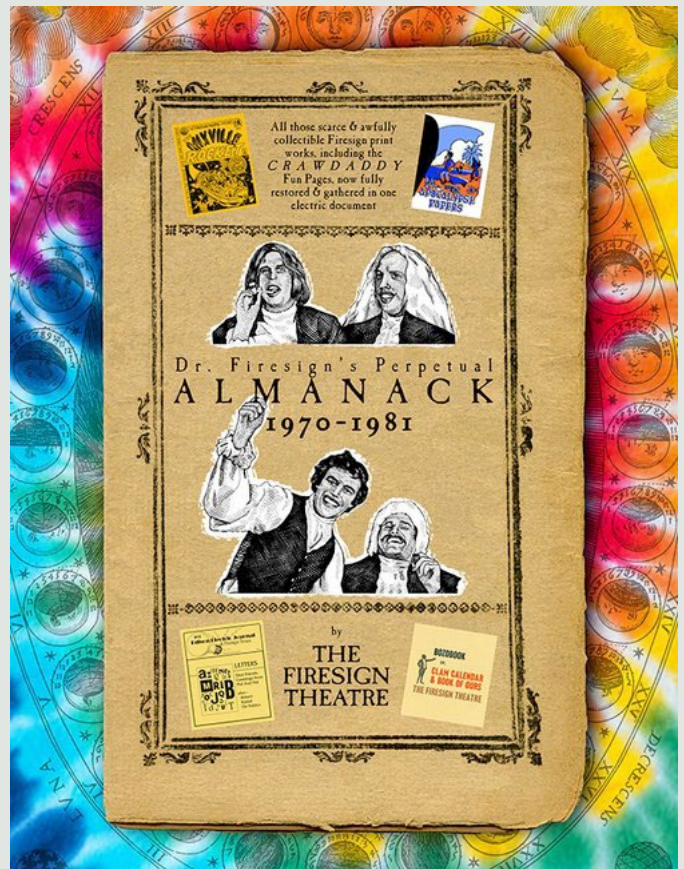
WAR was a card game?

"I don't see any good art made out of happiness."
~ Artist Marina Abramovic

Lost and found

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"The secret to a happy marriage is bedsprings creaking from laughter, not sex." ~ Jilly Cooper

Shake Yourspear

GADZOOKS! ON DECEMBER 11, AT THE FABLED **Odyssey Theater**, the world will witness the first onstage public reading of *Sherlock Shakespeare* – a bawdy, satirical mashup of **Sherlock Holmes** and **William Shakespeare**, written by **Samuel Joseph** with an assist by **Ye olde Me**, directed by **Mitch Levine** and produced by **Matthew Herrmann**.

It is Elizabethan times and Sherlock Shakespeare is the constable solving local crimes alongside his faithful partner,



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Watson. Sherlock's dream is to be a celebrated playwright like his renowned cousin, William (whom he accuses of stealing his best lines and ideas). Sherlock is hired to write a new play in honor of the powerful Lord Cockwood – starring his spoiled family and seditious servants – hilarity ensues...

Seating is limited, but if you're interested, email me.

"The best lack all conviction.

While the worst are full of passionate intensity."

~ W.B. Yeats

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– four guys who create a full play in the Bard's style from a title suggested by the

audience. It's opening night and closing night at the same time, and like the **Firesign Theatre**, you'll want to see and hear them again and again.

"War is the unfolding of miscalculations."

~ Historian **Barbara Tuchman**

"How pleasant is the day when we give up striving to be young - or slender." ~ **William Jones**

Is there laugh after death?

THIS IS A NOTE SENT TO MELINDA'S PHONE by our friend, **Chancy Gamboa**, who with her talented husband and masterChef, **Isaac**, hosts the **Gourmando** restaurant on Robertson in Beverly Hills:



"I know you're in heaven now, but I just wanted to say how I miss your smile & your deep appreciation to us, to life, to everything. You were truly inspirational. Every time I have a hard time at work, I will remember your smile & it will remind me to appreciate life love & happiness. We all miss you so much. 🥹🙏 Heaven's so lucky to have you, but we all do miss you. 🙏🥰"

"It's not the answer that enlightens, but the question."

~ **Eugene Ionesco**

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