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Note: Space limitations (due to the fact that there are three extra pictures) have made it necessary to eliminate certain sections in this week's issue. They will return next week.

1. Reflections

A. Cynthia, my beautiful bride, and I had some delicious chicken and waffles at Rocky's Hot Chicken Shack in Asheville. ... If you've never been there, make it a point to do so in the near future. You'll be delighted with your meal. ... There's also a location in Arden.



B. ANNE OF GREEN GABLES is a hit at HART! ... There are still three performances remaining this weekend, but they are sold out. ... That's not surprising given the leading performances from Stephen A. Gonya and Lyn

Donley (pictured below on the left), Suzanne Tinsley and 15-year-old Abby Welch as Anne Shirley. They were all outstanding, as were the other members of the talented cast: Josie Ostendorff, Drake Frost, Savanna Shaw, Reese Pifer, Chelcy Frost, James Cloninger and Lia Collier. ... And kudos to Kristen Hedberg for her spot on direction.



C. We next went with our friend Cappy Tossetti to downtown Waynesville where we encountered these friendly folks.



D. And then we enjoyed our tasty dinner at Bocelli's Italian Eatery. The food there is quite good (especially the garlic rolls), and the portions are enormous. You'll definitely have leftovers.



E. Kudos to Janice Vertucci Schreiber and Marc Cameron for their outstanding performances in LOVE LETTERS at the new Weaverville Center for Creative and Healthy Living.



F. I got to solve all the world's problems over WNC's best cheesesteak at Ziggy's with my friend Matt Edwardsen.



G. Thanks, Chris Wilhelm, for your fantastic concert that's benefiting Ukraine. Your many fans and friends can watch by clicking: [Here](#). ... More importantly, please join me in making a donation to: [Here](#) for the humanitarian relief effort in Ukraine. 100% of funds go directly to that country.



H. Please catch this week's BLAINESWORLD show by clicking: [Here](#). ...Guests: (first half) Deb Love and Judith Loniak, Horse Sense; and (second half) Lorraine Allen, business life coach, Breakthrough Living.



I. Condolences to Barbara Brady and family on the passing of Barbara's dad.

J. Congratulations to:

(1) Steve Kimmel on being elected as vice president of the WPVM Board of Directors.

(2) Rose-Marie Grace Vieira on her new job as Activities Director for the Lakewood RV park.

(3) Howard Smith on winning the Church of God state senior's talent competition in Kannapolis. And good luck in the upcoming national competition in Gatlinburg in late April.

K. Announcing this week's ...

***** **BLAINESWORLD BEST AWARD** *****

This week, it goes to Bob Proctor (1934-2022), a Canadian self-help author and lecturer. He was best known for YOU WERE BORN RICH, and for being a contributor to the film THE SECRET.

Bob Proctor – A Legacy of Impact and Grace!

by Brian Biro (America's Breakthrough Coach: www.brianbiro.com) & reprinted with his gracious permission

Last week we lost a giant who made a genuine difference in this world. Bob Proctor sought every day to exemplify the ideas and principles of which he was so passionate. He truly believed in EVERYONE. His special 'secret' was that he was easy to impress and very hard to offend. He looked for the magic in each person with an irrepressible KNOWING that each and every one of us has everything we need to live rich, meaningful, and joyful lives. Bob could care less about comparison and instead sought to bring out the unique greatness in each individual. He was never threatened by others' successes. It is no wonder that the Go-Giver is based upon him, because he always strove to give rather than get.

The story of how I first met Bob beautifully demonstrates his special spirit. Shortly after my first book, *Beyond Success* was published I was talking with a dear friend of mine I respect deeply. He was very excited about my book and said that one of the first things I MUST do would be to send a copy to Bob Proctor. I had never heard of Bob at that time, so I just took it in and didn't give it much thought. About three days later in a conversation with another friend I highly esteemed, I heard the same thing...send your book right away to Bob Proctor. At this point, I thought, "isn't that an interesting coincidence." Again, though, I did nothing about it. A week later, you guessed it, another friend urged me to contact Bob and get him my book. Now, I was beginning to wonder what was going on! Finally, a few days later, friend number 4 hit me with the same advice! None of these four friends knew one another, so their recommendations were completely separate. I'm a bit thick, but, not so thick that four conks on the head wouldn't break through my thick skull! So, I sat down that next day and wrote a fun letter to Bob, telling him all about the four friends and enclosing the letter with a copy of the book. I really didn't expect any response because Bob certainly had no idea who I was. I hoped he might read the letter because it was great fun to share the story.

Please read the rest of this beautiful tribute by clicking: [Here](#).



2. Invite

The deadline has been extended one week for ...

***** CONTEST 4 *****

One lucky reader will win a copy of *ADVANCED ROMANCE: LIBERATION FROM 16 ROMANTIC RULES TO VASTLY ENHANCE YOUR CHANGES FOR LIFE-CHANGING LOVE* by my friend Bill Branyon and Lauren Eavarone.

To quote one Amazon reviewer:

With much wisdom, stunning insight, and plenty of wordplay, Bill Branyon and Lauren Eavarone give us a cutting-edge guidebook on contemporary friending, flirting, dating and loving. Having survived one marriage and four live-ins, having long written for *The New Yorker* and *The New York Times* (where I art directed for 30 years and about which I've authored a book), I thought I knew everything; yet I learned a lot (and had a terrific time) while reading *Advanced Romance*.

To enter the contest, send an email to: bginbc@aol.com and put CONTEST 4 in the subject line. In the body of your email, include both your name and mailing address. All entries must be received on or before 9 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 28.

3. FYI

This article is long, but well worth your time, Please read it to make sure this doesn't happen to you and/or your friends, relatives, etc. ... Something similar happened to my folks. ... The key: Keep tabs on what is happening. ... Click here to read: [Here](#).

When My Mom Got Phone-Scammed, We Learned a Painful Lesson. Please see link above to read this eye-opening article.



4. Joke 1

Now I know why my latest diet attempt failed! (Thanks, Janeen Ravkin, for sharing.)

What do we learn from cow, buffaloes & elephants?



**It's impossible to reduce
weight by eating green grass
and salads and walking**

5. Reviews

A. Cynthia and I both loved *CYRANO*, director Joe Wright's musical spin on the oft-adapted classic tale. Peter Dinklage is outstanding as Cyrano de Bergerac, a man who dazzles with wordplay at a verbal joust or with swordplay in a duel. We also the performances of Haley Bennett as the luminous Roxanne who falls in love with Christian, well-played by Kelvin Harrison, Jr. The songs were excellent, as were the costumes and dance numbers. Rated PG-13.

To see one lovely number, click from the above film, click: [Here](#).

Note: I've added this to my list of favorite films. If you'd like to get that list, send an email to: bginbc@aol.com and put FAVORITES in the subject line.

B. We also enjoyed ZERO TO HERO, based on the true story of medal-winning Paralympian So Wa-wai who navigated personal and physical struggles with the help of his mother. The biopic format is conventional, and the film could have been shortened, but overall, we liked it. It's on Netflix and not rated, but certainly appropriate for anybody over the age of 8. And we both think the inspiring message would be good for children to see.

C. Thanks, Mike Martinelli, for sharing his predictions for the SAG awards. I look forward to him sharing his predictions for the Oscars, as well as for him being on a future BLAINESWORLD Facebook Live show.

Note: You can watch the SAG Awards on Sunday, Feb. 27, at 8 p.m. It will be simulcast on both TNT and TBS.

His picks are indicated by a star (*).

Film categories:

Outstanding Performance by a Cast in a Motion Picture

Belfast — Caitriona Balfe, Judi Dench, Jamie Dornan, Jude Hill, Ciarán Hinds, Colin Morgan

* CODA — Eugenio Derbez, Daniel Durant, Emilia Jones, Troy Kotsur, Marlee Matlin, Ferdia Walsh-Peelo

Don't Look Up — Cate Blanchett, Timothée Chalamet, Leonardo DiCaprio, Ariana Grande, Jonah Hill, Jennifer Lawrence, Melanie Lynskey, Scott Mescudi, Rob Morgan, Himesh Patel, Ron Perlman, Tyler Perry, Mark Rylance, Meryl Streep

House of Gucci — Adam Driver, Lady Gaga, Salma Hayek, Jack Huston, Jeremy Irons, Jared Leto, Al Pacino

King Richard — Jon Bernthal, Aunjanue Ellis, Tony Goldwyn, Saniyya Sidney, Demi Singleton, Will Smith

Outstanding Performance by a Female Actor in a Leading Role

Jessica Chastain (The Eyes of Tammy Faye)

Olivia Colman (The Lost Daughter)

* Lady Gaga (House of Gucci)

Jennifer Hudson (Respect)

Nicole Kidman (Being the Ricardos)

Outstanding Performance by a Male Actor in a Leading Role

Javier Bardem (Being the Ricardos)

Benedict Cumberbatch (The Power of the Dog)

* Andrew Garfield (Tick, Tick ... Boom!)

Will Smith (King Richard)

Denzel Washington (The Tragedy of Macbeth)

Outstanding Performance by a Female Actor in a Supporting Role

Caitriona Balfe (Belfast)

Cate Blanchett (Nightmare Alley)

* Ariana DeBose (West Side Story)

Kirsten Dunst (The Power of the Dog)

Ruth Negga (Passing)

Outstanding Performance by a Male Actor in a Supporting Role

Ben Affleck (The Tender Bar)

Bradley Cooper (Licorice Pizza)

* Troy Kotsur (CODA)

Jared Leto (House of Gucci)

Kodi Smit-McPhee (The Power of the Dog)

6. TV alert

A. THE FRENCH DISPATCH: Monday, Feb. 28, at 7:05 p.m. on HBO

Director Wes Anderson takes a look inside a French magazine's final issue. TV GUIDE calls it gorgeously colorful--in style and its wonderfully eccentric characters.

B. 31 DAYS OF OSCAR: Beginning on Tuesday, March 1, at 6 a.m. on TCM

This year's lineup features only Oscar victors, not nominees. One film I'll want to revisit is GASLIGHT at 2 a.m. This 1941 thriller stars Best Actress Ingrid Berman and Charles Boyer

C. THE GOLDBERGS: Wednesday, March 2, at 8 p.m. on ABC

I'll be watching to see if see if Beverly's only daughter does get married or do she postpone her big day.

D. UNDERCOVER BOSS: Friday at 8 p.m. on CBS

This week, Paul Damico, the former president and CEO of Round Table Pizza goes undercover to glean effective ways to expand the longstanding West Coast pizza franchise eastward and attract a younger clientele.

7. Joke 2

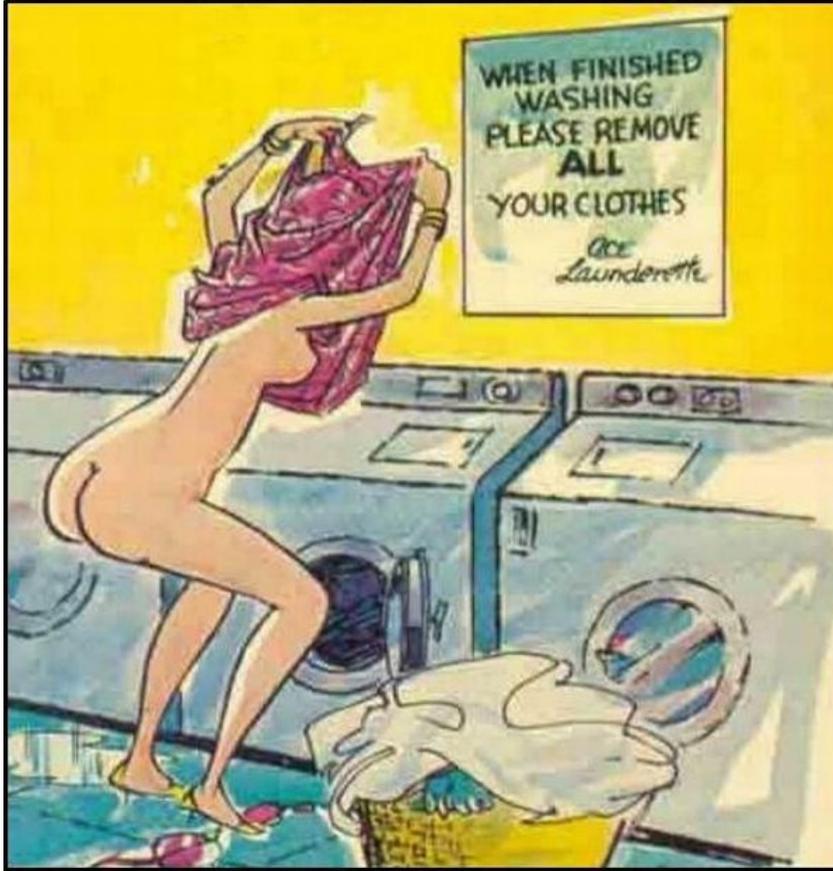
HELP REQUESTED DEPARTMENT ... anybody know a good dermatologist I can recommend to my friend?

**HE SHOULD GET THAT MOLE
ON HIS ARM CHECKED OUT**



8. Joke 3

Where is this place? I wanna check it out! (Thanks, Colton Overcash, for sharing.)



9. A quote I like

Thanks, Sally Kellerman (1937-2022), for your career as an American actress and singer in a career that spanned over 60 years. ... I'll most remember you for your Oscar-nominated role as Major Margaret "Hot Lips" Houlihan for in M*A*S*H, but also enjoyed your work in such other other films as BREWSTER MCCLOUD, WELCOME TO L.A., THE PLAYER, LAST OF THE RED HOT LOVERS and BACK TO SCHOOL. ... For more information about her life, click: [Here](#).

“I was also the romantic lead in The Boston Strangler - I was the only one that lived to tell the story - so I called myself the romantic lead.”-- Sally Kellerman



10. Thought for the day

o you know somebody who has dementia? Or do you just want to find out more about the subject?

If so, I encourage you to check out the resources of the Dementia Society of America.

For an excellent PSA, click: [Here](#).

For a informative guide that you also download, click: [Here](#).



PS. Make it a great week!
