

You're reading BLAINESWORLD, a weekly blog published by Blaine Greenfield. It contains some jokes, hopefully, not toooo **risqué** (typically in Sections 4, 7 and 10); contests; reviews of shows. movies and books; quotes, etc. ... Please feel free to share it with 437 of your closest friends and relatives.... And In the unlikely event that you or they are not already a subscriber, just click the following link to be added to the free mailing list: <u>Here</u>.

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## 1. Reflections

A. Cynthia, my beautiful bride, and I joined our friends Tom and Marcy Gallagher for a delicious dinner at Nachos & Beer.



B. On another night, we had a tasty dinner at Cornerstone Restaurant.



C. Kismet, our amazing cat, now has a new job. He has become a watchcat extraordinaire.



D. I hosted one BLAINESWORLD webcast this past week, featuring Zurilma Anuel, Director, and April Nash, Client Intake Specialist, for the Western Women's Business Center ... To view or listen to the webcast, navigate to: <u>Here</u> and look for the one dated 2.20.2024 ... You'll then have the option to view it on YouTube or listen to it on your favorite podcast player.



E. Congratulations to Ryah Nixon on joining the original Broadway cast of "The Great Gatsby. beginning March 29.

F. Announcing this week's ...

## \*\*\*\*\* BLAINESWORLD BEST AWARD \*\*\*\*\*

Thanks, Kevin Jameson (CEO & Founder at Dementia Society of America for this week's nomination ...

Registering a nonprofit to legally accept donations everywhere we need to is not an easy task. It is also not for the faint of heart, as political processes can be daunting. But Lilly Roth has more than once been instrumental in guiding the Dementia Society of America (DSA) to a place of prominence in our international standing as a fundraiser, allowing us to continue to expand our base of passionate supporters across America and beyond.

Lilly is a member of the DSA's Board of Directors. She is also a paralegal with Antheil, Maslow & MacMinn, LLP, specializing in corporate governance, nonprofit compliance, and real estate law.

Note: I've had the pleasure of working with Lily on the DSA Board for the past several years. As such, I strongly concur with Kevin's recommendation. Lilly is a tireless, enthusiastic volunteer, always willing to go the extra mile.



## 2. Invites

A. Don't forget to enter ...

## \*\*\*\*\* CONTEST #3 \*\*\*\*\*

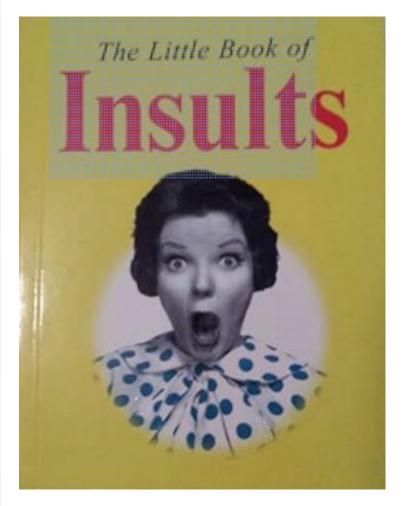
One lucky reader will win a copy of THE LITTLE BOOK OF INSULTS, edited by Rosanna Kelly. (Thanks, Michael Lazanski, for providing this prize.)

Among them: "I never forget a face, but in your face, I'll be glad to make an exception."--Groucho Marx

"Of course, Americans had often been discovered before Columbus, but it had always been hushed up."--Oscar Wilde

"She has not only kept her lovely figure, she has added to it."--Bob Fosse

To enter the contest, send an email to: <u>bginbc@aol.com</u> and put CONTEST #3 in the subject line. Include both your name and mailing address in the body of the email. All entries must be received on or before 9 p.m. on Monday, March 4, 2024.



B. Want to be a guest on my BLAINESWORLD webcast? It can now be seen on YouTube or you can listen to it on your favorite podcast player.

Even if you've been a guest before, I'd welcome the opportunity to speak with you again. I now tape via Zoom, usually in the early evening.

For more information about the webcast, click: Here

C. Are you interested in shows, movies, TV, etc.? ... If so, I encourage you to join a group I've formed on Facebook that's called Entertainment. To do so, all you need to do is follow the instructions when you click: <u>Here</u>.

D. Come join Cynthia for the course she'll be teaching for Arms Around ASD this week: Move Your Body on Wednesday via Zoom or in person.

To attend this course and/or any other that is being offered, scroll down to Calendar when you click: <u>Here</u>.

## 3. FYI

A. Thanks, Cynthia Greenfield, for the following recommendation ...

HOW TO HEAT UP LEFTOVER PIZZA OR A LEFTOVER SANDWICH (WITH BREAD OF ANY KIND)

What you want to do is use a flat pan, and heat it up to 500 degrees. The trick is putting the pan in the oven as you begin to heat the oven up so that when you put in the pizza or sandwich in the oven, the flat pan is burning hot.

The pizza or sandwich comes out crisp and delicious.

If you think about it, when you are at a pizza parlor, they put the pizza in a burning hot oven to heat it up and it comes out fresh and crisp. So if you do the same, you'll be delighted with the results.



- B. The Daily Habit Doctors Say Is Secretly Making You Tired The Next Day: Here.
- C. The 1 Thing You Should Always Do After Signing A Restaurant Receipt: <u>Here</u>.
- D. 5 Tips For Breathing Life Back Into Struggling Friendships: <u>Here</u>.

### 4. Joke 1

I can relate! (Thanks, Jonathan Berg, for sharing.)



#### 5. Reviews

Cynthia and I saw two films this week that we really liked ... so much so, in fact, that I placed both on my list of favorite films. If you'd like to get a copy of this list, send an email to: <u>bginbc@aol.com</u> and put FAVORITES in the subject line.

A. ORDINARY ANGELS is a fact-inspired flick about a scrappy hairdresser (Hilary Swank) who rallies a town to save a little girl who needs a liver transplant in the middle of a historic snowstorm. Swank was terrific in the leading role, as were Alan Ritchson and Nancy Travis in their parts. The last 30 minutes or so will really get to you. Rated R.

B. IT COULD HAPPEN TO YOU, now on Netflix, is a 1994 American romantic comedy in plot inspired by a real-life news story. ... Charlie Lang (Nicolas Cage) is a simple, kindhearted New York City cop. When he realizes he has no money to tip waitress Yvonne Biasi (Bridget Fonda), Lang offers her half the winnings of his lottery ticket. Amazingly, the ticket happens to be a winner, in the sum of \$4 million. True to his word, Lang proceeds to share the prize money with Biasi, which infuriates his greedy wife, Muriel (Rosie Perez). ... Cage and Fonda have great chemistry together, but it is Perez who steals every scene she is in. I think she deserved an Academy Award for her work, but sadly, she didn't even get a nomination .There is also great supporting work from Wendell Pierce, Isaac Hayes. Seymour Cassel, Stanley Tucci and Red Buttons. And an excellent soundtrack. Rated PG.

### 6. TV alert

A. THE VOICE, Season 25: Mondays and Tuesdays at 8 pm. at 8 p.m. on NBC, ET Reba McEntire,, John Legend and Chance the Rapper welcome two new singers, Dan+Shay, to the judging panel on the smash singing competition show.

B/ SURVIVOR, Season 46: Wednesdays at 8 p. on CBS Host Jeff Probst invites 18 greedy, good-looking people to battle for \$1 million on a beach in Fiji.

#### C. UPGRADED: Now on Amazon Prime

Marisa Tomei is an awful art gallery boss whose young intern gofer (Camila Mendes) impersonates her on a Europe business trip and gets herself invited into the whirling world of a rich hunk (Archie Renaux) and his mom (Lena Olin).

D. EINSTEIN AND THE BOMB: Now on Netflix

In 76 minutes of archival footage and reenactments, you get the story of Einstein in his own words. He fled

the Nazis, feared they'd get the bomb, convinced FDR to build it, was too much much a peacenik to be permitted to work with Oppenheimer at Los Alamos, and wouldn't have built it had he known the Nazis wouldn't get there first.

E. Thanks, Sandy Dior, for this recommendation:

Just watched THE MAKING OF WE ARE THE WORLD. It was amazing and that song should be played once again all over the world. It's on Netflix.

# 7. Joke 2

This has me writing a note to myself: "Self, quickly check this place out to view the impatiens (a type of plant) on display."



### 8. Clips/Websites

A. The Turtles are arguably the greatest rock group of all time!

(1) As mentioned previously, this section will feature music by The Turtles--either their recordings and/or covers of their music by others.

I'd especially love to see any recording you may have done of "Happy Together."

Send it to: <u>bginbc@aol.com</u> and put THE TURTLES in the subject line.

Note: Even if you did not do a recording, I welcome anything done by others--not only of "Happy Together," but any other Turtles' song.

- (2) For this week, please view this cover from VIZE Remix: Here.
- B. Video of the week

Dogs have moves: <u>Here</u>. (Thanks Carolyn Derreberry Beckner , for sharing.)

C. And also check out these other clips at your convenience:

(1) Dolly Parton, "What's Up?, one of my all-time favorites: Here.

Note: Linda Perry – the lady on the guitar – wrote and performed this song with her then-San Francisco-based rock-group "4 Non Blondes." It was released in 1993 and one music reviewer described the song as a "massive, neo-hippie anthem." The repeating lyric in this song is the question: "What's Going On?"

They obviously didn't know then...and I sure as hell don't know now.

(Thanks, Jonathan Berg, for sharing.)

(2) Howard Smith: Hymns (2.25.2024): Here.

(3) Neil Ratner Rock Doc: Nirvana: Here.

(4) Neil (above) tells a great story about the making of Nirvanna's "Smells Like Teen Spirit." To listen to song, click: <u>Here</u>.

(5) "Great Balls of Fire." Tyler Chasten singing a special request from the audience: <u>Here</u>. (Thanks, Marvin Thomas, for sharing.)

(6) John and Uma dancing in Pulp Fiction: <u>Here</u>. (Thanks, Caren Friedman for sharing.)

D. Here's a website that you might want to check out:

Relive all your childhood memories with The Oregon Trail by clicking: Here.

E. BLAINESWORLD, the website, remains up and running . . . to view it, please click: Here.

F. Are you on Facebook? In the unlikely event we have not yet connected as friends there, please feel free to send me an invite by clicking: <u>Here</u>.

## 9. Technology tip

Simply hitting print screen (PrtScn) on your keyboard is the easiest way to capture a screenshot. But for another way, check out Monosnap. it also enables you to draw on it, shoot video and share you files. It's fast, easy and free.

For more information, click: Here.

Note: I haven't used the above yet, but it definitely seems to be worth looking at. If you're already done so, please let me know what you think by sending an email to: <u>bginbc@aol.com</u> and putting MONOSNAP in the subject line.

### 10. Joke 3

Now I know why my back hurts ...

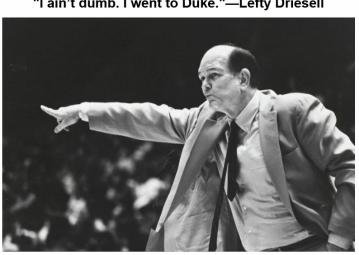
My wife yelled from upstairs and asked, "Do you ever get a shooting pain across your body, like someone's got a voodo doll of you and they're stabbing it?"

I replied "No..."

She responded: "How about now?"

## 11. A quote I like

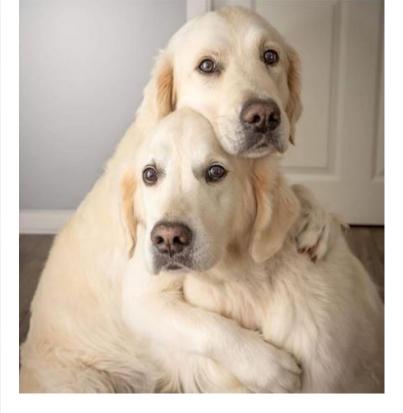
Thanks, Lefty Driesell (1931-2024), for your career as an American basketball coach. He was the first coach to win more than 100 games at four different NCAA Division I schools. In 2018, Driesell was selected for induction into the Basketball Hall of Fame. For more information about his life, click: Here.



### "I ain't dumb. I went to Duke."—Lefty Driesell

### 12. Thought for the day

Hug your friends. Sometimes they need it. (Thanks, Terri Sibernagel, for sharing.)



## PS. Make it a great week!

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