

You're reading BLAINESWORLD, a weekly blog published by Blaine Greenfield. It contains some jokes, hopefully, not tooo 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: [Here](#).

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## 1. Reflections

A. Cynthia, my beautiful bride, and I are settling nicely into our new digs--a short term rental right around the corner from our home.

Note: If you missed the news in last week's issue, a \$5 part (an O-ring) failed below our sink. It created major damage to the floor that's now being repaired. It will take some 2-3 months before we can return to our home.

I'm also over COVID. To quote what my dad used to say, "I'm now 97% perfect and 3% not so perfect."



B. Cynthia has naturally made some new friends. That's her with Charlie, a neighbor's adorable Corgi pup.



C. We got a kick out of watching the pod (for our furniture) get delivered. The driver, Joel Allison did a masterful job navigating the placement of it. He was also very friendly.



D. And here's just a glimpse of what is happening to our floors and cabinets.



E. Catch this week's BLAINESWORLD show by clicking: [Here](#). ... Guests: first half) co-authors Mel Fergenbaum and Lynda Saffell, JOURNEY OF THE HEART; and (second half) Kit Cramer, CEO, Asheville Chamber of Commerce.



F. There was also a Facebook Live edition of the BLAINESWORLD show that can be viewed by clicking: [Here](#). ... Guests: Sharon Lewis and Sandy Howard discuss Deep River's upcoming anniversary concert on Saturday, July 9, at Isis Music Hall. .. For more information, click:[Here](#).



G. Announcing this week's ...

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

This week, it goes to Eric Carter--owner of Dickey's Barbecue Pit in Asheville. He also owns another location in Flat Rock.

That's him (below) with our dinner, a brisket fresh out of the oven.

OK, OK, we didn't eat the whole thing. But we did have some of it, and it was sooooo good.

Everything else is good there, too, including the ribs, chicken wings, cookies and refillable soda cups.

The place is rapidly becoming one of our favorite eateries in the area.

We not only like the food, but also the greeting we always get from Eric. His other staffers are equally friendly: Shane Carter and Luis Alvarado.

For more information, click: [Here](#).



## 2. Invites

A. Good news! The deadline for the following has been extended ...

\*\*\*\*\* **Contest #9** \*\*\*\*\*

One lucky reader will win a an autographed copy of ROCK DOC by my friend Neil Ratner MD.

The book will take you from backstage at a Pink Floyd Dark Side of the Moon concert in the early seventies, where Neil's production company, Circus Talents, Ltd. was providing production services, to the office operating rooms of elite New York surgeons where Neil Ratner MD was Director of Anesthesia. Although Dr. Ratner encountered many celebrities in his anesthesia practice, one would change his life ... Michael Jackson.

Note: I just finished this book and liked it a lot. Also, I should mention that my opinion is not completely unbiased. I went to Lawrence High School with Neil and played in the high school band with him.

To enter the contest, send an email to: [bginbc@aol.com](mailto:bginbc@aol.com) and put CONTEST #9 in the subject line. In the body of your email, include your name and mailing address. All entries must be received by 9 p.m. on Monday, June 13.

B. Want to be a guest on my radio/Facebook Live show? If you have news you'd like to share and/or a story to tell, send an email to: [bginbc@aol.com](mailto:bginbc@aol.com) and put GUEST in the subject line. In the body of the email, include both your name and phone number.

For more information about the show, click: [Here](#).

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 evenings.

C. Are you interested in shows, concerts, movies, TV, etc.? ... If so, I encourage you to join a new 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: [Here](#).

D. Come join Cynthia for the two courses she'll be teaching for Arms Around ASD this week via Zoom:

Meditation on Monday and Move Your Body on Wednesday. To attend these and/or any of the other courses, scroll down to Calendar when you click: [Here](#).

Note: For others, see Sect.13 (at the bottom of this issue).

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### 3. FYI

You have trouble swallowing pills? I do--big time.

So much so that I often just chew them. But that taste is usually terrible (with the exception of some chewable vitamins).

Here's another option that works for me: Grind a pill into a powder and add it to applesauce, yogurt or pudding. Any drug store has an inexpensive device that enables you to do this.

For more information on swallowing pills more easily, click: [Here](#).

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### 4. Joke 1

I should have paid more attention when this concept was taught in school ...



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### 5. Reviews

A Liked TOP GUN: MAVERICK, the long-belated sequel that might be better than the original. Tom Cruise returns as one of the Navy's top aviators, this time training a detachment of Top Gun graduates for a specialize mission. He is perfect in the role, but so are such others as Miles Teller, Jennifer Connelly and Jon Hamm. I especially liked the performance of Glen Powell, an actor methinks you'll be seeing a lot more in the future. The action scenes are pretty cool, though I did find the film on the noisy side. Rated PG-13.

Note: Cynthia did not like it.

B. If you're a basketball fan, you'll like HUSTLE. I did. It is the story of Adam Sandler, a scout who wants to become a coach. His big break comes when in Spain and he discovers Bo Cruz (NBA player Juancho Hernangómez), an incredible player with a troubled past. Both were excellent. Lot of great games scenes. Rated R.

Note: I saw it on Netflix, but you can also watch it in a local movie theater.

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## 6. TV alert

A. THE TONY AWARDS: Sun., June 12, on CBS at 8 p.m.

Watch quintuple Tony winner Angela Lansbury, 96, collect a lifetime achievement award. Asked recently if she plans to retire, she said, "I'll probably pass away with one hand on my script."

B. HALFTIME: Coming Tues., June 14, to Netflix.

A documentary about Jennifer Lopez's illustrious past and how she plans to use the second half of her life.

C. JANE FONDA & LILY TOMLIN: LADIES NIGHT LIVE: Coming Tues., June 14, to Netflix

They introduce, Margaret Cho, Michelle Buteau, Cristela Alonzo, Heather McMahan, Tracey Ashley, Anjelah Johnson-Reyes and Iliza Shlesinger.

D. BRIAN WILSON: LONG PROMISED ROAD: Tues., June 14, at 9 p.m. on PBS

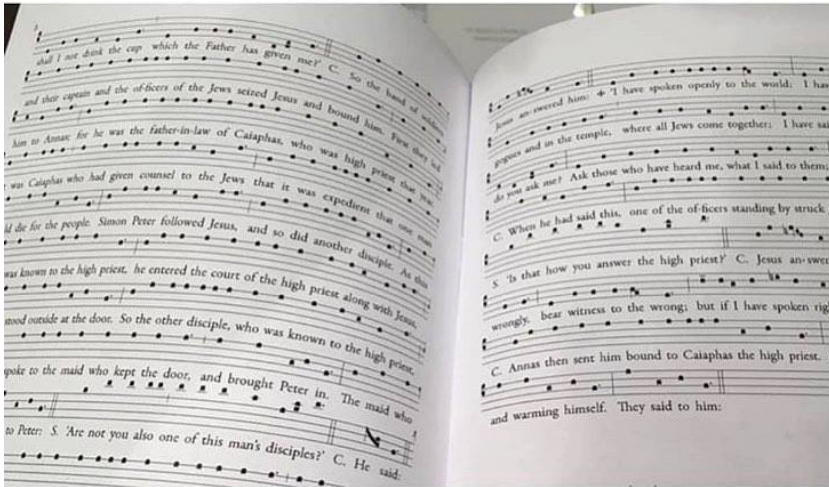
This documentary gives you a sense of Wilson's emotional torment, still hearing voices echoing his father's cruelty. The best scenes are musical: Wilson in the studio in the 60s and today,

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## 7. Joke 2

This pun should be cast into the deep friar because it has no monastery value. (Thanks, Joe McDermott, for sharing.)

# I always wanted to be a Gregorian Monk



## but I never got the chants

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### 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: [bqinbc@aol.com](mailto:bqinbc@aol.com) 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 version from Erin Bode: [Here](#).

B. Video of the week

DON'T MISS WATCHING THIS NOW! ... Jekyll & Hyde: The Full Musical ... Watch it by clicking: [Here](#).

I don't now how long it will be available, but if you get to see it, I hope you enjoy it as much as I did. I also think you'll be amazed at David Hasselhoff's performance. ... And then join me in hoping that somebody brings it to Asheville soon.

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

(1) "Crying," Roy Orbison, one of my all-time favorites: [Here](#).

(2) Howard Smith: Hymns (6.12.22): [Here](#).

(3) Neil Ratner Rock Doc: Prince: [Here](#).

(4) The above had me revisit Prince's "Purple Rain" performance at the Super Bowl. You can do so, too, by clicking: [Here](#).

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

As long as your head is in the clouds, raise it above Earth's horizon and head on over to Space.com by clicking: [Here](#).

This website reports on astronomy news and trends through friendly, easy-to-digest content that, sometimes, just serves to quench your thirst for a cool nebulous shot of our solar system.

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: [Here](#).

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## 9. Technology tip

Share a YouTube video at a precise point

If you see something in a YouTube video that you want to share at a particular point, you can get a link that takes people directly to that moment, Click the Share button below the video. Look for a checkbox below the link. It will automatically display the time at which you currently have the video stopped.

You can stick with this time or choose a different time. Copy the link and share it on your preferred social media or email it to a friend. When someone views the link, the YouTube video will automatically skip right to the point you chose.

Source: [Here](#).

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## 10. Joke 3

Lookin' good, if I do say so myself! ... But I'll pass on using both this technology and an urn. ...I want folks to come to my funeral and say this when they approach the coffin: "Look, he's moving!" (Thanks, Jean Dolan, for sharing.)



I ran one of those fun  
apps that show what I  
will look like in 40 years.

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#### 11. A quote I like

Thanks, Jim Seals (1942-2022), for your career as a singer, musician and band member, best known for being half of the the 70s soft rock band Seals and Croft. For more information about his life, click:

[Here.](#)

**"Summer breeze makes me feel fine."--Jim Seals**



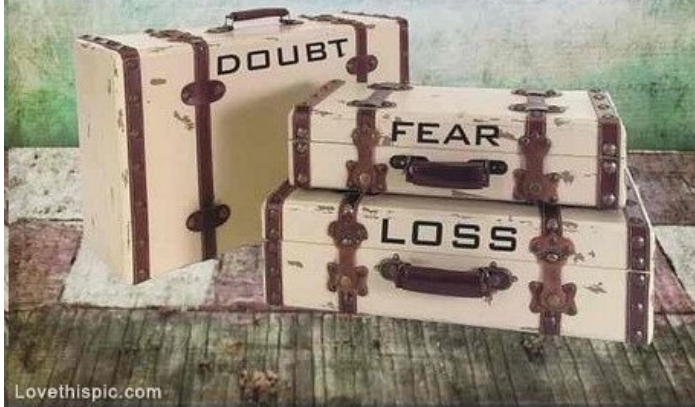
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## **12. Thought for the day**

Hopefully, that same person will then remind you to pack plenty of trust, confidence and good fortune for your next trip!

Everyone comes  
with baggage.

Find someone who  
loves you enough  
to help you unpack



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### 13. Advance planning department

For more information about the following events, please click: [Here](#).

A. Chelsey Lee Gaddy: THE RAINBOW FISH. B Jeff Catanese: THE LITTLE PRINCE. C. Seann D. Soboleski: Meet and Greet for Asheville 48 Hour Film Project. D. Chelsey Lee Gaddy: MILESTONES. E. Katie Jones: Our 1st Annual Magnetic Magic & Mayhem. F. Kenneth Davis: I'LL BE BACK BEFORE MIDNIGHT. G. Katie Jones: MIDSUMMER FOR HATERS!

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**PS.** Make it a great week!

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