

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 extend our kudos to Different Strokes! for its production of MONSTERS OF THE AMERICAN CINEMA, a haunting and humorous tale about fathers and sons. ... Melvin AC Howell and Aidan Short both rocked in this two person play that was directed with aplomb by Stephanie Hickling Beckman.



B. Afterward, we went to Pack's Tavern for a delicious dinner. Cynthia also got to make a new friend (bottom photo).



C. The weather has been nice lately, so we we enjoy when we can eat outdoors--as we did recently at

Angelo's. The location is convenient, in that the restaurant is right across the street from us. And the food is always good.



D. Please catch this week's BLAINESWORLD show by clicking: [Here](#). Guests: (first half) Detective Debbie LeCroy and Kora, the emotional support dog for the Buncombe County Sheriff's Office; and (second half) Bob Arleigh White, new Artistic Director at Asheville Community Theatre.



E. As you may know, I've switched my BLAINESWORLD show from just being on the radio to instead being a video broadcast that can be seen on Facebook, LinkedIn and YouTube.

The results have been fantastic; i.e., I have lots more people seeing it. But I now want to make it a podcast.

Here are my questions:

1. Is there any way to take the audio file (that I created when I taped the show on Zoom) and put that up as a podcast?
2. What podcast hosting service do you recommend?
3. What's the easiest way to do this? OK, OK ... and the least expensive way to do this?

4. Any websites, articles or books that you can recommend for more information?

5. And lastly, if need be, may I contact you for more information?

Much obliged!

PLEASE HELP

(SEEKING PODCAST ADVICE)

F. HOT OFF THE PRESS! ... Latest humor column that I wrote for THE FAIRVIEW TOWN CRIER. ... Note: If you live in Fairview or the surrounding areas, please submit something that I might be able to use in a future issue. See information above my picture on how to do this.

Secret *se-cret* (n.) Something you tell everybody to tell nobody.

A highway patrolman pulled alongside a speeding car on the highway. Looking at the car, he was astounded to see that the elderly woman behind the wheel was knitting.

The trooper cranked down his window and yelled to the driver, "Pull over!"

"No!" the woman yelled back, "Cardigan!"

Q. What can you hold in your right hand, but never in your left hand?

A: Your left hand

"When your mother asks, 'Do you want a piece of advice?' it is a mere formality. It doesn't matter if you answer yes or no. You're going to get it anyway."

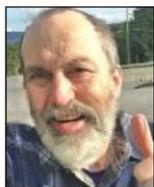
—Erma Bombeck

A partier was proudly showing off his new apartment to a couple of friends late one night. He led them to his bedroom where there was a big brass gong and a mallet. "What's that brass gong?" a guest asked. "It's not a gong. It's a talking clock," the

"People say money is not the key to happiness, but I have always figured if you have enough money, you can have a key made."
—Joan Rivers

partier replied. "A talking clock? Seriously?" asked his astonished friend. "Yup," replied the partier. "How's it work?" the friend asked. "Watch," he replied. He picked up the mallet, gave the gong a hard pound, and stepped back. The three stood looking at one another for a moment. Suddenly, someone on the other side of the wall screamed, "Stop that noise! It's three AM!"

Are you a *Crier* reader? Have you heard or read something funny recently? Email me at bginbc@aol.com or call/text 215-208-0646—and include your name. Your joke may appear in a future issue.



Blaine Greenfield is host of the BLAINESWORLD radio/Facebook Live show on WPVM, and he publishes an award-winning blog with the same name.

G. Condolences to Laura Richey Podraza and family on the passing of Carolyn Richey, Laura's mother.

H. Congratulations to:

- (1) Michelle Kuhnen on finishing first in her age group and fourth overall in the Hendersonville Triathlon.
- (2) Maureen McCreadie on the birth of Samuel James McCreadie, her newest grandson.
- (3) Kim Chandler Smith on her retirement as a kindergarten teacher at Henderson County Public Schools.

I. Announcing this week's ...

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

It goes to Sadio Mane, a Senegalese soccer star who earns approximately \$10.2 million annually.

He gave the world a rude awakening after some fans spotted him carrying a cracked iPhone. His response was legendary:

"Why would I want ten Ferraris, 20 diamond watches and two jet planes? I starved, I worked in the fields, played barefoot, and I didn't go to school. Now I can help people. I prefer to build schools and give poor people food or clothing. I have built schools and a stadium; provide clothes, shoes, and food for people in extreme poverty. In addition, I give 70 euros per month to all people from a very poor Senegalese region in order to contribute to their family economy. I do not need to display luxury cars, luxury homes, trips, and even planes. I prefer that my people receive some of what life has given me."



2. Invites

A. Announcing ...

***** Contest #11 *****

One lucky reader will win a copy of **THE SECRET THAT'S HOLDING YOU BACK** by Vincent Genna, a spiritual teacher and talented psychic, therapist and medium.

Here's what one Amazon reviewer had to say about the book:

"Wow! This is some of the most mind-blowing material I have ever read. Vincent Genna has surpassed all the conventional theories about the human mind and potential. In *The Secret That's Holding You Back* he introduces powerful new understandings that will absolutely transform those seeking to change, improve, or heighten the quality of their lives. This book will take you beyond the limits you set for yourself."-- ~George Noory, Host of Coast to Coast Radio

To enter the contest, send an email to: bginbc@aol.com and put **CONTEST #11** 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, July 11.

B. Update on Contest #10:

Chuck Fink was the winner, a copy of **FEELING GREAT: THE REVOLUTIONARY NEW TREATMENT FOR DEPRESSION AND ANXIETY** by David D. Burns, MD.

All told, there were five entries

C. Want to be a guest on my **BLAINESWORLD** show, now seen on Facebook YouTube and LinkedIn? If you have news you'd like to share and/or a story to tell, send an email to: bginbc@aol.com and put **GUEST** in the subject line. In the body of the email, include both your name and phone number.

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.

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

And please click "Like" when you do check out this link.

D. 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](#).

E. 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).

3. FYI

SCARIEST ARTICLE YOU'LL READ TODAY! ... The election denial movement has moved to hundreds of community events --in restaurants, car dealerships and churches--led by a core group of election conspiracy influencers. ... These local gatherings may reach fewer people than viral internet posts, but they seem to effectively spur action by regular people, who are motivated by their almost evangelical intimacy. ... To quote an elections expert, "If the numbers get big enough, it's unclear whether we will survive it."

To read this eye-opening article, click: [Here](#).

4. Joke 1

Finally, a parking spot for fat guys who BBQ! (Thanks, Maria Alicia Medrano Armington, for sharing.)



5. Reviews

A. Saw JANE FONDA & LILY TOMLIN: LADIES NIGHT LIVE on Netflix.

Fonda and Tomlin introduce an all-female lineup of comedians, featuring Michelle Buteau, Cristela Alonzo, Margaret Cho, Heather McMahan, Tracey Ashley, Anjelah Johnson-Reyes and Iliza Shlesinger. Some of the jokes were funny, but many fell flat. I would have also liked to have seen Fonda and Tomlin tell some more jokes; instead, they seemed to merely pass the time between the performers. Not rated, but probably an R because of much of the material.

B. A much better film was *CASTLE ON THE HUDSON*, which I watched on TCM. The 1940 drama is about an arrogant mobster, sentenced to a long prison term in Sing Sing, who becomes a changed man when given a chance by the fair and progressive warden. John Garfield rocks in the leading role, as he always does, and I liked the performances of Ann Sheridan, Pat O'Brien, Burgess Meredith and Guinn "Big Boy" Williams. Not rated, but I'd give it a PG-13.

C. I reviewed *ELVIS* in last week's issue and liked it. I also liked this lengthier review from my friend Bill Branyon who has graciously given me permission to run it here:

The new Elvis bio movie is very stream of consciousness, very dreamy, with Elvis's genius planted firmly in black housing projects, black churches and black Beale Street.

The guy playing Elvis, Austin Butler, is charismatically, almost impossibly handsome and sexy and is convincing in his ability to be able to unlock the libidos of millions of country-music-fan women, and then rock-and rollers. What a performer Elvis was! What a revolutionary.

Tom Hanks is the monster troll Colonel Parker. Bred in circuses and sideshow freak hustles, he's portrayed as a devious parasite who attached himself to Elvis early on, somewhat helped him, but mainly used him for his gambling habit and joy at fleecing the rubes.

The movie contends Parker drove Elvis to an early, 42 year old grave.

To some degree, *Roe v Wade*, and now *Dodd v Jackson* is traceable, in part, to the revolution Elvis began in white America, the unlocking of the sexuality of American white women, and the current Puritan reaction against it. Along of course with the entire panoply of music and other influences of the 1960s and 70s.

6. TV alert

A. *LOOT*: Now on Apple TV+

Maya Rudolph plays a woman who divorces her jerk husband (Adam Scott) after 20 years and runs a charity to give away some of her \$87 billion settlement.

B. *MIND OVER MATTER*: Mondays at 10 p.m. on HBO

TV GUIDE calls it an "engrossing six-part true-crime docuseries about six individuals who were convicted for the 1985 murder of a beloved 68-year-old grandmother, Helen Wilson, in Beatrice, Nebraska.

C. *THE GREEN PLANET*: Coming Wed., July 6, at 8 p.m. on PBS

Sir David Attenborough treks from the jungles to the poles in a five-part BBC series that uses robot cameras, thermal imaging and microscopy to reveal the secrets of plants that can plan, count, remember, care for their young and injured--and hunt animals.

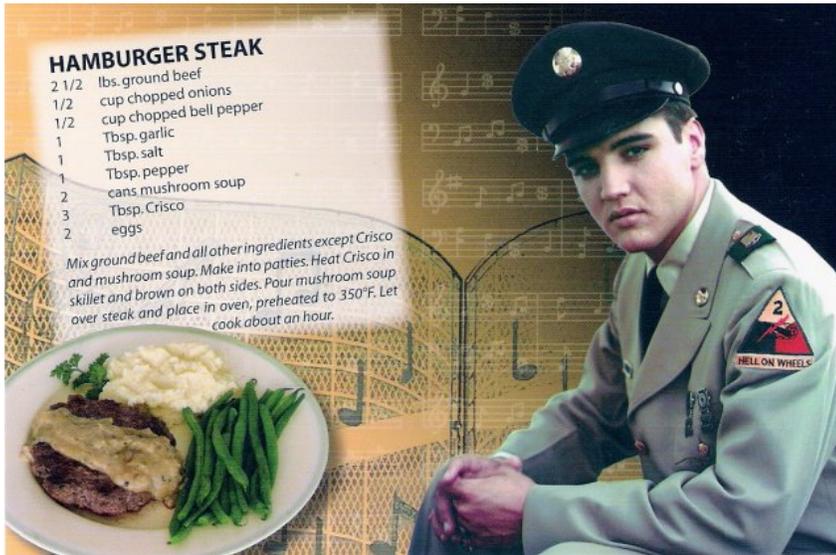
D. *GENERATION GAP*: Series premiere on Thurs., July 7, at 9 p.m. on ABC

Kelly Ripa hosts this new game show that has fun with family members and their different frames of reference. I especially like the premise of the bonus prizes, determined by a very young family member. Note Ripa: "When you offer a toddler a choice between a new car or a My Little Pony scooter, what do you think they're

going to choose? It's adorable."

7. Joke 2

I have an idea for a chain of Elvis Presley steak houses. It will be for people who love meat tender. (Thanks, Jim Chewning, for sharing.)



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: bjinbc@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 a group called Slick Town: [Here](#).

B. Video of the week

Hi my name is Rey. This video has no voice interpretation only sign language: [Here](#).

I perform at SART at Mars Hill University. I perform as Quasimodo. Hunchback of Notre Dame.

I want to use this platform to bring awareness of language deprivation and inclusion. 90 percent of deaf children are born to hearing parents without access to language. No knowledge of using American Sign Language, perhaps basic sign as fluent.

This performance exhibit inclusion merging 2 world together. I want to thank all cast for their inclusion. I have

never felt rejection or felt different.

With this statement if you never experience inclusion of two worlds. Any parents or family of deaf children who are skeptical about should you teach your child language?

I am personally willingly sponsor your theater admission to go to this performance to watch how beautiful inclusion happens.

If you are interested please email me: reycastilloasl@gmail.com I will be sponsoring your journey in the world of inclusion.

Thank you for watching.

Note: HUNCHBACK runs at SART through July 10. For tickets, click: [Here](#).

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

(1) The Marvelettes - Please Mister Postman, one of my all-time favorites: [Here](#).

(2) Howard Smith: Hymns (7.3.2022): [Here](#).

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

(4) To see Mick Fleetwood (above) on drums, click: [Here](#).

(5) See Why The Judges Call Kieran Rhodes a Star: [Here](#).

(6) Arlene Ditzler: Monkey and cat: [Here](#).

(7) Jonathan Berg: One man's love for his birds: [Here](#).

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

When you need to find the perfect GIF, check out GIPHY by clicking: [Here](#).

There's a great search bar at the top, but you might instead want to check out such categories (also at the top) as reactions, entertainment, sports, stickers and artists.

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](#).

9. Technology tip

Ever want to use or share a picture, but only part of what you see on screen? Or do you want to share just some information from a website?

You can easily do so!

On Windows 10, go to Start, enter the Search Bar and type Snipping Tool. This will give you a similar box that you can drag to any shape over your screen.

On a Mac, press Command + Shift + 5, and a rectangle will emerge, which you can manipulate as much as you want.

10. Joke 3

I hate it when the internet spreads fake news. How does the guy still have his bike? (Thanks, Mike Martinelli, for sharing.)



11. A quote I like

Og Mandino (1923-1976) was an American author who wrote the bestseller THE GREATEST SALESMAN IN THE WORLD. (Thanks, Jean Dolan, for sharing.)

**Beginning today,
treat everyone you meet
as if they were going to
be dead by midnight.
Extend to them all the
care, kindness, and
understanding you can
muster, and do it with
no thought of any reward.
Your life will never be
the same again.**

-Og Mandino

12. Thought for the day

What a great world it would be if we were all this way!



13. Advance planning department

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

A. Claire Daniel: THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME. B. Jeff Catanese: THE LITTLE PRINCE. C. Kenneth Davis: FROM THIS DAY FORWARD. D. Doug Savitt: THE FRANKENSTEIN RUBRICS.

PS. Make it a great week!
