

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: [Here](#).

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## **1. Reflections**

A. Cynthia, my beautiful bride, and I celebrated her birthday tonight at Hemingway's. The weather was splendid, the view was amazing, the food was delicious, and the fact that we were with our good friends Tom and Marcy Gallagher made for a perfect evening.



B. JUST A FEW PERFORMANCES LEFT! ... Please take advantage of that fact to see HART's production of THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK. This powerful production, directed with aplomb by Julie Kinter, stars Regan Mulvey as Anne in a terrific performance, along with these other actors who were equally outstanding: Mark Lieberman, Shelley Lieberman, Savanna Shaw, Aaron Green, Stacey Hembree, James Cloninger, David Spivey, Randy Robins and Grizel Gonzalez-Jeuck. ... Kudos, also, to Ken Galbreath and Candice Dickinson for their brilliant set design, as well as to Nichole Sumpter for her hard work as stage manager. ... For tickets, click: [Here](#).



C. After the show, we had the pleasure of joining two of the stars (Mark and Shelly Lieberman) for a delicious dinner at Watami in Waynesville. Azzy provided us with excellent service.



D. This week's BLAINESWORLD radio/Facebook Live show can be viewed by clicking: [Here](#). ... Guests: (first half) Marc Cameron , artistic director, A Third Eye Productions; and (second half): Tom Mock, chapter chair, Asheville SCORE.



E. Condolences to:

(1) Lisa Zaglin and family on the passing of Jeanette A. DiPietrantonio, her brother-in-law's mother. For Jeanette's obituary, click: [Here](#).

(2) Scott Treadway and family on the passing of Barbara Treadway, Scott's stepmother.

F. Congratulations to:

(1) Carole Reese and family on the birth of Macie Grace Sedlock, Carole's granddaughter.

(2) Jean Dolan for being promoted to Assistant Director of Admissions, Community Outreach & Communication at Bucks County Community College

G. Correction

Thanks, Steve Darter, for this correction from the TV section of last week's issue:  
I think it should be Ordinary Joe instead of the Three Faces of Joe.

He is correct.

Note: I saw the premiere issue of the above. It is a bit convoluted to follow, but definitely interesting. I'll definitely watch the second episode on Monday night at 10 p.m. on NBC.

H. Announcing this week's ...

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

This winner is Ibrahim Hamadtou, a competitor in the 2020 Paralympics (held in Tokyo this past August. 2021). Though he did not capture the gold medal in table tennis, her performance was beyond amazing given that he has no arms and was competing in a sport that would seem to require arms. He plays the sport with his mouth!

See for yourself by clicking: [Here](#).

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

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## 2. Invites

A. Now's the time to enter ...

\*\*\*\*\* **CONTEST #23** \*\*\*\*\*

One lucky reader will win a copy of FRET AND WAIL, the Rich Nelson's Band terrific CD.

To see how good this group is, click these two clips:[Here](#) and [Here](#).

To enter this contest, send an email to [bgjnc@aol.com](mailto:bgjnc@aol.com) and put CONTEST #23 in the subject line. Include your name and mailing address in the body of the email. All entries must be received before Monday, Oct. 11,, at 9 p.m.

Picture (below), Kevin Sprouls, yours truly and Jeff Manson at a recent Grey Eagle performance.



B. Update on previous contests:

(1) Tesla Jamison was the winner of Contest #22: a copy of 12 MINUTES: AN EPIC JOURNEY BEYOND by Robert Akers. All told, there were four entries.

(2) Michelle Kuhnen was the winner of Contest #21: a pair of tickets to HART's moving production of THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK. All told, there were three entries.

C. I'll be doing a Zoom seminar on Marketing for Asheville SCORE on Saturday, Oct. 9, at 10 a.m.

The topic: Marketing Your Business

Marketing for the 21st Century small business is more dynamic and challenging than ever. Discover how to effectively and efficiently use marketing tools. Gain insights to understand and reach your customer, analyze your industry and business environment and differentiate between branding, advertising and grassroots marketing techniques.

This is appropriate for those already in business, as well as those thinking of starting their own business. It is also perfect for those in the entertainment field.

To register, please click; [Here](#).

There is no charge for this event, but you must pre-register.

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 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

Money-saving tip of the day. (Thanks, Jonathan Berg, for sharing.)



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@jasonarewhy



Only a FOOL would buy IKEA furniture. Instead I just download the instructions and keep emailing their service dept to say that I am missing a piece, until they ship me all the pieces over a six month period

FYI, part 2

To read the following articles, please click: [Here](#).

A. Hannan Isaacs: Amazon Stole Tip Money from Driers. B. What Happens Inside a Broadway Theater Can Help Us Heal. C. A Year in the Life: Who Gets a Master's Degree in the Beatles? D. Why Everyone Is Always Giving Unsolicited Advice. E. As Workouts Intensify, a Harmful Side Effect Grows More Common.

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#### 4. Joke 1

Methinks I'll stick with my iPhone 7 and its home button.



*"There is no home button. You just click your heels three times."*

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## 5. Reviews

A. Enjoyed RESERVOIR DOGS, a 1992 movie that marked the beginning of Quentin Tarantino's filmmaking career. It is about a group of thieves who assemble to pull off the perfect diamond heist. Things turn into a bloody ambush when one of the men turns out to be a police informer. Harvey Keitel, Tim Roth, Michael Madsen, Chris Penn, Steve Buscemi and Tarantino head an outstanding cast that also features an almost unrecognizable Lawrence Tierney (who had quit acting by the early 1970s only to make a return after gaining sobriety in the 1980s). Rated R.

B. Anther good film I saw was 1945's THE ENCHANTED COTTAGE, a 1945 romantic fantasy starring Dorothy McGuire, Robert Young and Herbert Marshall, along with Mildred Natwick. It is a sensitive love story about a returned war veteran with an ugly facial disfigurement who meets a homely girl. You'll be charmed by it. Not rated, but certainly appropriate for teenagers.

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## 6. TV alert

A. MUHAMMAD ALI: Now streaming On Demand

To quote from the PBS description, [It] "brings to life one of the best-known and most indelible figures of the 20th century, a three-time heavyweight boxing champion who captivated millions of fans throughout the world with his mesmerizing combination of speed, grace, and power in the ring, and charm and playful boasting outside of it."

You can also watch it by clicking: [Here](#).

I just saw the above. It is excellent. And you don't even have to be a boxing fan to enjoy it.

B. ATTACK OF THE HOLLYWOOD CLICHES: Original special now on Netflix

This documentary, hosted by Rob Lowe and featuring commentary from actors and pop culture experts, showcases the maverick cop, actors talking to gravestones and the split-take.

C. RITA MORENO: JUST A GIRL WHO DECIDED TO GO FOR IT: Thursday, Oct. 5, at 9 p.m. on PBS (check local listings [Here](#))

To quote Matt Roush in TV GUIDE, "Moreno is an engaging storyteller and a delight as she acknowledges her hard-earned status as a Latina role model."

D. DYING TO BELONG: Movie premiere on Saturday, Oct. 9, at 8 p.m. on Lifetime

This remake of the 1997's DYING depicts a pledge that's gone tragically wrong that leads to a campus cover-up.

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## 7. Joke 2

Be forewarned ... if such pictures upset you, look away. And also don't post them on your friends' Facebook pages. (Thanks, Jim Chewning, for sharing.)

**THIS IS THE SADDEST  
PIC ON THE INTERNET**



**IT'S SODA PRESSING**

imgflip.com

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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: [bginbc@aol.com](mailto:bginbc@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 the Mission Peak Chamber Singers: [Here](#).

B. Video of the week

Linda Williams: How to teach your kids to eat spaghetti: [Here](#).

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

(1) Sue Thompson, "Norman," one of my all-time favorites: [Here](#).

Note: I was saddened to hear that the above performer recently passed away. For more information about her life, click: [Here](#).

(2) Neil Ratner Rock Doc: Ray Charles: [Here](#).

(3) Howard Smith in concert with Priscilla Hensley on piano: [Here](#).

(4) Howard Smith: 10.3.21 Hymns: [Here](#).

(5) Jonathan Berg: Dog named Kiara who plays a competitive game of volleyball: [Here](#).

(6) Jonathan Berg: NYC Next: New York State of Mind with Idina Menzel, Stephen Colbert, Sara Bareilles and many more: [Here](#).

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

Ever wonder about how many people are really on the internet. Find the answer at Internet Live Stats by clicking: [Here](#). ... You'll find out, for example, that 102,108 computers were hacked today at the time of this writing and that 133,658,904,346 emails have been sent.

E. BLAINESWORLD, the website, remains up and running . . . to view it, 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

How to Shop Online and Not Get Ripped Off

by Nicole Nguyen

Shopping online can feel like magic. A couple of clicks and a few days later, a box is on your doorstep. But it can also feel like playing a game of digital dodgeball. Shoppers must tread carefully to avoid the fake reviews, unsafe or mislabeled products, or counterfeit goods hiding behind legitimate-seeming listings.

That's because we are living in the Marketplace Era. Third-party sellers peddle their wares via the digital bazaars of Amazon, Walmart, Target—and now even Urban Outfitters and J.Crew. The deal could be seen as a win-win: Customers get a larger selection of products and retailers get a cut of more sales. The problem? It adds a layer of mystery for shoppers. Instead of buying from that site you know, you're buying from a seller you don't know, and often it's a product whose brand you've never heard of.

For the rest of this informative article, click: [Here](#).

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## 10. Joke 3

Personally, I'd prefer a file cabinet that contained Victoria's Secret!



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## 11. Two quotes I like

A. Thanks, Willard Scott (1934-2021), for your career as a weather presenter, radio and TV personality and narrator with a career spanning 65 years. He was the creator and original portrayer of Ronald McDonald. For more information about his life, as well as some clips of him on film, click: [Here](#).

**"Everyone complains about the weather, but nobody ever seems to do anything about it."--Willard Scott**



B. Thanks, Jeanne Robertson (1943-2021), for your career as a humorist, speaker and YouTube personality. ... I always got a kick out of your videos, including this one: "Don't send a man to the grocery store!" that can be viewed by clicking: [Here](#). ... For more information about her life, click: [Here](#).



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## 12. Thought for the day

Lest we forget. (Thanks, Petty Shafer, for sharing.)

### **Buying a Class or Service**

**by Namaste Moore (www.RichardandNamaste.com)**

**When you purchase a Class or a Service, someone is providing, you aren't just buying hour or more of their time.**

**You're purchasing:**

**The dozens of books they've read.**

**The thousands of hours they've studied.**

**The many experts and elders they've sat under to learn.**

**The years of life experience they've had in practical application.**

**The hundreds of mistakes they've made to help you not have to make the same mistakes.**

**The thousands of dollars they've invested in various trainings, certifications, degrees, etc.**

**The work they put into the marketing, videos or space rental to create an environment you can feel safe in.**

**Consider carefully before you tell a teacher, a coach, a speaker or healer that their service or product isn't worth the price you're paying ... you don't know the price they've paid to offer it to you.**

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## 13. Advance planning department

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

A. Paula Hanke: Love Bubble at Southern Appalachian Brewery. B. Jeff Catanese: Montford Park Players

Presents the Great Tragedy of Shakespeare's Macbeth. C. The Center for Arts & Entertainment: Blue Ridge Big Dance Party. D. Anthony Mikolojeski: Love Never Dies! E. Hendersonville Community Theatre: HAUNTED CHILLING TALES.

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

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