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## **1. Reflections**

A. Cynthia, my beautiful bride, and I enjoyed a delicious meal outside at the Five Guys on Merimon Ave. The fries there are especially good.



B. Recently, when our neighbors were away on vacation, we were asked to watch their home. So we did. It was a fascinating experience!



C. HOW I GOT PSYCHED FOR HALLOWEEN ... i saw HAUNTED CHILLING TALES, at Hendersonville Community Theatre.. ... This spooky evening of storytelling--not for youngsters or the faint of heart--featured some classic tales, as well as several pieces written by Kai Elijah Hamilton (who did a fine job of co-directing the evening), along with Jonathan Forrester (who also managed time to shine several times while performing). ... All the other actors were equally outstanding, including Nickengie A. Sampson, Katy Martin and Felipe Botero who in one instance played a maid that had me laughing every time he opened his mouth. ... In addition, I'd be remiss if I didn't mention that I liked the work of all the others in the talented cast: Darlene Cah, Martha Hogenboom, Rick Huhn, Kelly Jones, Gary McClain, Lyn Morton and Pam Suber. ... And Sherrie Nock Koone's costumes were spot on.



D. I was joined by this happy group at the most recent meeting of WPVM's Board of Directors.



E. You can catch this past week's BLAINESWORLD show by clicking: [Here](#). ... Guests: (first half) Dr. Michael Weizman, MD, Our Family Doctor; and (second half): Babs Mountjoy, author.



F. Congratulations to:

(1) David Carr on his retirement from his HR consulting role with the City of Asheville.

(2) Patrick Fitzsimmons on his election of Mayor of Weaverville.

(3) Jean Dolan on her new position as Director, DEI & Community Engagement, at Bucks County Community College .

G. Announcing this week's ...

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

This week, it goes to Americare Pharmacy--our local pharmacy in Fairview that's ably headed by Dr. Sandi I. Bryant, chief executive officer and owner, along with C. Patrick Bryant, director of daily operations.

All the folks there are both friendly and helpful. They are also very knowledgeable.

In addition, we found it convenient to get our COVID-19 booster shots there. That's us (below) being oh-so brave with Mikayla Wilkins, a doctor of pharmacy candidate.

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



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## 2. Invites

A. There's still time to enter ..

### \*\*\*\*\* CONTEST #25 \*\*\*\*\*

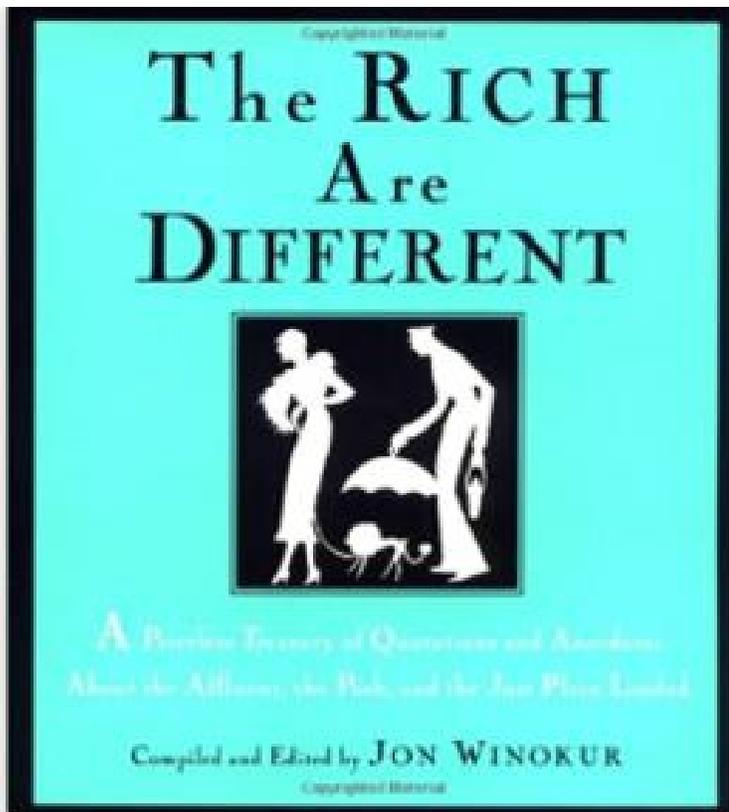
One lucky reader will win a copy of THE RICH ARE DIFFERENT, compiled and edited by Jon Winokur. This book, to quote the subtitle, is:

A Priceless Treasury of Quotations and Anecdotes About the Affluent, the Posh, and the Just Plain Loaded

There are a lot of humorous quotes in it. For example:

Asked why she was carried everywhere by a burly attendant, Barbara Hutton replied, "Why should I walk when I can hire somebody to do it for me?"

To enter the contest, send an email to: [bginbc@aol.com](mailto:bginbc@aol.com) and put CONTEST 25 in the subject line. In the body of your email, you MUST include your name and address, so that I can send you the prize if you win. All entries must be received on or before 9 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 8.



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: 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

15 Subtle Signs That Someone Is Actually A Really Good Person

by Angelica Martinez

It can be easy to keep your eyes peeled for □red flags□that someone you meet is actually not that great of a person, but what about green flags? Like, those small things you notice someone do that let you know that person is *definitelllllly* a keeper.

Well, redditor u/Soshampulin had an excellent question about that. They asked, "What's a subtle sign that someone IS a good person but doesn't want to show it?" Here are some of the best answers:

1. "They make space for someone who is being ignored in a conversation."

For the rest of the signs and quotes that go along with some of them, click: [Here](#).

### FYI, part 2

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

A. Road-Trip Essentials. B. Benedict Cumberbatch and the Monsters Among Us. C. 75 Pictures That Make Me Smile Uncontrollably No Matter How Many Times I've Seen Them. D. Sirens: Loud, Ineffective and Risky, Experts Say.

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### 4. Joke 1

Tip of the day. (Thanks, Steven Shulman, for sharing.)



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## 5. Reviews

A. I very much liked LAST NIGHT IN SOHO, a thriller directed by Edgar Wright. The plot is about Eloise, an aspiring fashion designer, who is mysteriously able to enter the 1960s where she encounters a dazzling wannabe singer, Sandie. You'll be kept guessing to the end, and you'll love the soundtrack. Anya Taylor-Joy and Thomasin McKenzie are both excellent in the leading roles, and I got a kick out seeing both Terrence Stamp and Diana Rigg in the film. Rated R.

B. Joan Crawford is terrific in AUTUMN LEAVES, a film about a lonely, middle-aged woman who meets a vibrant and young man who she eventually marries. It is then that she discovers he is mentally unstable. Cliff Roberts is excellent in that latter role, and there are engaging performances from Vera Miles and Lorne Greene (of BONANZA fame). It was seen on TCM. Not rated, but it would definitely be an R.

Note: the above was also memorable because of its use of the song "Autumn Leaves." Listen to at Nat King Cole sing his hit version that was played with the opening credits by clicking: [Here](#).

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## 6. TV alert

Note: I've mentioned ORDINARY JOE before, but now that I've seen every episode so far, I'll tell you that it is one of my favorites. It won't be on this Monday, Nov. 8, but will return next Monday, Nov. 15, at its regular

time of 10 p.m. on NBC. ... The show enters on Joe Kimbrea as he makes a pivotal, life-changing decision at his college graduation and follows him on three parallel timelines: as a police officer, as a music star, and as a nurse. ... For more information about ORDINARY JOE, click: [Here](#).

A. COLIN IN BLACK AND WHITE: Now on Netflix

I've also seen all the episode of this show, and I encourage you to do the same. It traces the life of Colin Kaepernick, the onetime NFL quarterback, through his teenage years and the events that lead him to become an activist later on in his life.

B. A CHRISTMAS TREASURE: Sunday, Nov. 7, at 8 p.m. on Hallmark Channel

Jordin Sparks stars a Louise "Lou" Webb, a sweetly optimistic reporter for her family-run newspaper.

C. THE 55TH ANNUAL CMA AWARDS: Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 8 p.m. on ABC

Two-time Entertainer of the Year Luke Bryan hosts live from Nashville.

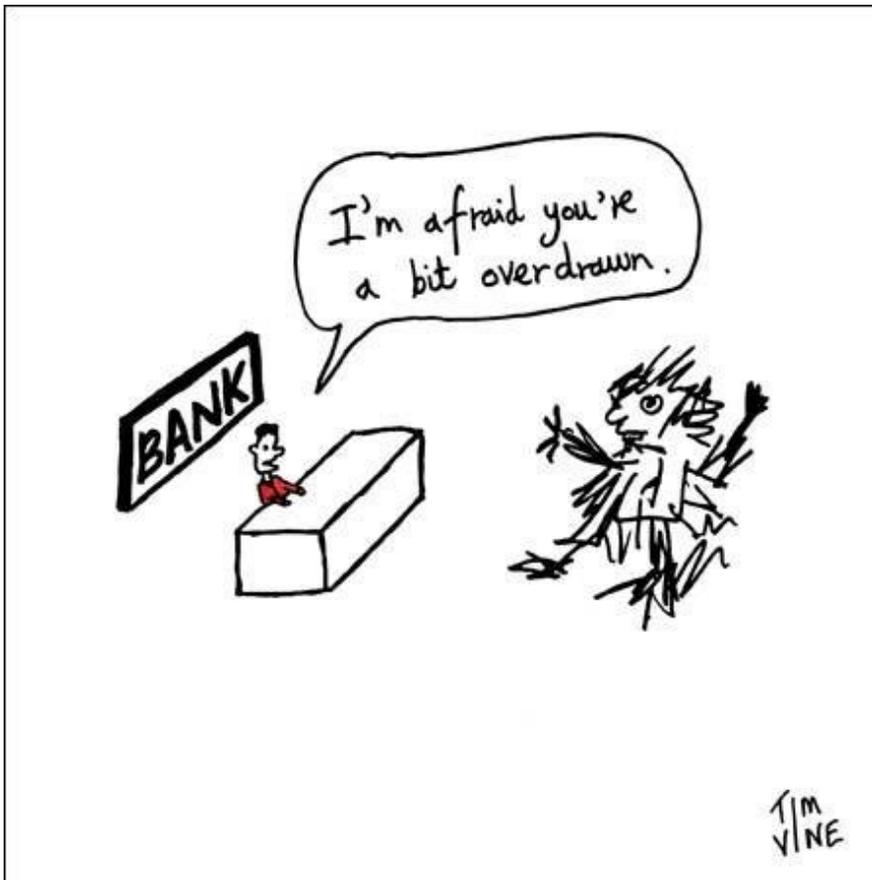
D. ADELE: ONE NIGHT ONLY: Sunday, Nov. 14, at 8:30 p.m. on CBS

In this two-hour special, she sits down with Oprah Winfrey for a discussion, and she'll also perform many of her hits.

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## 7. Joke 2

Everyone's a critic!



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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 guitar version version from Mel Tormé: [Here](#).

B. Video of the week

22 Musicals In 12 Minutes w/ Lin Manuel Miranda & Emily Blunt

James Corden welcomes the stars of "Mary Poppins Returns" to perform a musical-inspired Role Call, featuring Lin-Manuel Miranda and Emily Blunt singing classics from 22 musicals covering Evita to The Wizard Of Oz. And Kermit the Frog stops by to help James with "The Rainbow "

To view this incredible clip, click: [Here](#). (Thanks, Jenny Lee, for sharing.)

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

(1) Billy Joel, "The longest time, " one of my all-time favorites: [Here](#).

(2) Neill Ratner Rock Doc: Keith Emerson: [Here](#).

(3) Howard Smith: Sunday hymns on piano: [Here](#).

(4) Tom Orr does the Monster Mash with Jennifer Orr and Meagan Hill: [Here](#).

(5) Doug Snipes: THE HOLLIES - LONG COOL WOMAN IN A BLACK DRESS: [Here](#).

(6) Lois Chazen: Holy Mother · By Eric Clapton, Luciano Pavarotti, East London Gospel Choir (Official Music Video): [Here](#).

(7) Fred Northup: Clogging in NC: [Here](#).

(8) James Nave: Time Of The Turning by Peter Gabriel Performed by Walter Parks: [Here](#).

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

How much sleep do you need? The Sleepytime website calculates exactly when you need to go to sleep and wake up in order to get a good night's sleep. To access it, click: [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: [Here](#).

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## 9. Technology tip

Search using "Site:" to find content like a ninja

A Google search can return millions of results. Cut that down significantly by searching just a single site with Google's Site: feature. Open Google in your browser and type "site:" and then the website you wish to search. Like this: "site:komando.com" but leave off the quotation marks.

Tip in a tip: You can enter "site:komando.com search term" in your browser's address bar and no need to go to Google. Again, no quotation marks needed.

Source: [Here](#).

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## 10. Joke 3

When this hits here, I'll "Jump" out of that way. And also sing the song by the same title. If you want to join me, please click: [Here](#).



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## 11. A quote I like

In case you can't read the small print, the quote below comes from Charlie Wardle's UNDERST & BUILDING CONFIDENCE. For more information about Wardle, click; [Here](#). (Thanks, Karen Mazza, for sharing.)

**A bird sitting on a tree  
is never afraid of the branch  
breaking, because its trust  
is not on the branch but on  
its own wings.**

Charlie Wardle



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

Don't You Want to Teach Your Children Better?

by Ann Onymous

America was a far different place six years ago. Then we elected a president who has destroyed the fiber of what made this country good. We were a far more respectful people then, we could actually disagree without being disagreeable. We respected the office of president even if we held vastly different beliefs about methods, policies, and priorities. We had faith in our democracy and elections process even if our candidates did not win. When that president was elected in 2016, my heart ached, but I didn't question the accuracy and fairness of our voting system even though she won the popular vote by over 2 million. My favored candidate lost, and then with dignity and putting the country first as had every other losing presidential candidate in our history, conceded, wishing the newly elected president well.

That was before we elected a man who attacks American heroes after their death. I held far different political views than John McCain, but I never questioned his integrity, honesty, character, and love of his country. I admired him greatly for stopping in the middle of a presidential debate with Barack Obama to correct a supporter who accused Obama of being a Muslim born out of the US. McCain had lines of decency he would not cross. Then we elected a man who despite never serving his country and using the crutch of 'bone spurs'

to avoid that service, decried McCain as a loser because he had been a prisoner of war and he preferred heroes who did not get captured. When another great American leader, a general of distinction and a former Secretary of State passed away recently, rather than honoring that man's great service, the former president derided him, called him names, and turned the interview into another session of moaning about how the press mistreats him. When another long-time public servant passed away, a great leader of the Civil Rights movement who was loved and respected by his peers in Congress, Democrat and Republican alike, this former president again did not applaud his lifetime of service but instead bad-mouthed him. Any interview with that former president turns into a narcissistic expose on himself and an attack on anyone who disagrees with him or questions his leadership.

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

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### 13. Advance planning department

A. I'm not turning my clock back today because seriously, none of us need an extra hour of 2021.



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

B. Scottt Lask: Your money needs prozak! C. Chelsey Lee Gaddy: Virtual Concert: The Moon and You. D. North Carolina Stage Company: THE WORD EXCHANGE. E. The Magnetic Theatre: EYES UP HERE COMEDY.

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

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