

Rants, Ravings, and Reflections:  
Musings, thoughts, and ideas  
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### Part III Humor

There's nothing quite like a trip to Walmart to convince me that the world, is in fact, screwed. August 25, 2013

Apparently, singing along with Aerosmith's "Dream On" in the car late at night can lead to loss of your voice in the morning. Who knew?

Sometimes I think people should come with a "reset" button, or at least we should be able to unplug them and plug them back in when they get stupid. July 18 2013

I don't dance in public anymore. It confuses people. They don't know whether to call the police or an ambulance. July 9 2013

Things that are bad for your heart:

1. trans fats
2. smoking
3. stress
4. a smoke alarm that decides to go off at 3:30 a.m. for no apparent reason. July 7 2013

You'll never know what a "wtf?!?" look really is until you say "Happy Fourth of July!" to a guy from England... July 4 2013

The power went off last night for about a half a second. Just long enough for me to have to reset my stupid alarm clock. I think it's God's judgment against the repeal of DOMA. June 28 2013

For sale or giveaway: One grey cat. Answers to "Shaddup you miserable flea ball!". Has a habit of yowling early in the morning, waking up it's slightly (!) grumpy owner. Will trade for a rock or something a lot quieter. June 22 2013

I don't want to say that my attitude is in the basement, but I just found a cask of Amontillado. June 11 2013

Wife is going away for the weekend to help a friend move. I'm making a list of movies to watch. So far, I've got "Home Alone", "Risky Business", and "Ferris Buller's Day Off"... June 7 2013

I have to go. My coffee needs me. June 6 2013

I do not drink coffee just for my own well being, but also for those who I will come into contact with today. I drink it for my family, my friends, for my community, for America! Coffee. It's Patriotic. May 30 2013

I hear advertisements on the radio about these "Gentlemen's Clubs". I scowl and think, "Well, I won't be able to get into that place. I'm not a gentleman." May 18 2013

I saw one of those "paid programming" ads on TV early this morning. It was called "More Sex, Less Stress". It was on the Science Fiction Channel... May 17 2013

The word "Fast" can mean to abstain from food. Then it seems to me that the term "Fast Food" describes the type of food you should abstain from. April 21 2013

I have found one sure way to remember to do something... I simply lay my head down on the pillow and start to fall asleep. Every single stupid time. April 2 2013

One thing that I've noticed about all these superhero movies. Lots of damage is done, but nobody stays to clean up the mess. March 27 2013

It's interesting to think that singers such as Bob Dylan, Janis Joplin, and Joe Cocker would not have survived even one round on The Voice or American Idol. March 18 2013

I don't know why people refer to old age as going down hill. I have found that as I get older, several things in my life have been going up! (my cholesterol, my blood pressure, my sugar level, my weight, my medical bills...) March 17 2013

Survived a trip to the DMV today. I had to show them my original birth certificate, my social security card, my driver's license, the deed to my house, my voter's registration card, and other documents with personal information on it. While standing in line however, I noticed a sign that said, "To protect the privacy of our customers, please wait here." Huh??? March 15 2013

And so, as punishment for eating of the fruit of the tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, Adam and his wife were cast out of Eden. They were sent to a land of dust and thorns, where they were earn their living by the sweat of their brows. And seeing his hardship, and that of his wife, he lifted his voice to the skies and cried, "I curse this day above all others, where we were forced away from our homes into this barren wilderness. And it will be remembered forever more, as my children and my children's children go forth as I have done to work and sweat in the wastelands. And this day shall be called 'Monday'." Yeah, I'm pretty sure that's what happened... February 18 2013

Sometimes I wonder what it would be like to have kids...then I chuckle and go take a nice quiet nap. February 17 2013

It's disturbing to think that even surgeons have bad days where nothing seems to go right... February 3 2013

Due to the dry air and amount of static electricity, my cats now think I'm a sadist...  
January 23 2013

Me and mornings have a bad relationship. I hate mornings and mornings hates me. Now if we could just stay away from each other. January 15 2013

Scientists can say what they want, but I'm here to tell you that when life first began on this planet, one of the primary elements had to be caffeine. January 9 2013

Some mornings, when my mood is as muffled and gray as the sky, and the coldness outside seems to seep into my very soul, it's hard to look beyond the pale and believe that the warmth that comes with the Spring is soon on it's way...then the coffee kicks in!  
January 7 2013

I think I'm going to change my cat's name to "Moron". If he ever runs away, I can stand out on the street corner and yell, "Moron! Moron!" January 5 2013

The other night I was visited by three Ghosts. Fortunately for me, I had a Ghostbusters Proton Pack handy. December 26 2013

I was hiking today around the base of Coopers Rock, when I heard a young girl yell from the top of the rock, "Hello down there!" Being the only other visible person around, I called back a friendly "Hello!". She looked down, and seeing me said, "Oh, I wasn't talking to you. I was just trying to get an echo." \*sigh\* December 14 2012

Every generation has it's own particular moment of ecstatic joy. Mine was when I realized I would never ever have to write a research paper on a typewriter ever again.  
Ever. December 8 2012

Gentlemen, Christmas is approaching and here are some words of wisdom. If your ladyfriend says that you don't have to get her anything for Christmas, she's lying.  
November 30 2012

This morning has been brought to you by the word "Blah". November 29 2012

To all my Facebook friends on this Thanksgiving Day...I would like to invite each and every one of you to go get stuffed... November 22 2012

I firmly believe there is a disorder called Pre-Coffee Syndrome. It's symptoms include irritability, inability to focus, unable to carry on meaningful conversations, lack of coordination and balance, limited attention span and a tendency to stare off into space for extended periods of time. November 15 2012

You would think that after almost fifty years of getting up in the mornings I'd be better at it...Nope November 13 2012

Colorado and Washington state have legalized marijuana. I'm now gonna invest my money in Frito-Lay and Nabisco. November 7 2012

A new definition of insanity...going out in a snowstorm caused by a hurricane to go to the Dairy Queen to get a Blizzard. (yes, I did, and it was good.) October 30 2012

An 'Merica blessing: May your house never be shown on the Weather Channel. October 29 2012

I feel bad for Tuesdays. They always have to make up for all the damage that Mondays have done. October 23 2012

This is an interesting time of year, when you can go to a department store, walk down one aisle and see ghosts, devils, witches and killers, and the next aisle has angels, the Virgin Mary, and baby Jesus. October 9 2012

Something that was missing from the Star Wars movies...Han Solo cracking open a beer on R2D2's frame. October 8 2012

When I get to the Pearly Gates, I think old St. Peter's gonna look at me and say, "Hmmm...not much to go on...after age 45 or so, all I see that you've done is post weird stuff on Facebook and look at pictures of cats..." October 3 2012

News has been received of the untimely passing of Harry B. F. Spider, a long time resident of the Fairmont area. Mr. Spider is survived by probably lots more just like him. He was equally feared and hated by just about everyone that knew him, particularly his neighbor, Mr. Husk. Although no charges have been filed, Mr. Husk is suspected in contributing to Mr. Spider's demise. Mr. Spider will not be missed. September 27 2012

Reasons to not die:

1. Need to watch the extended DVD versions of The Hobbit and Lord of the Rings back to back. September 21 2012

The one sure way I'm gonna win against a zombie apocalypse is if it happens on a Monday morning and they are between me and my coffee... September 17 2012

I think the minimum wage ought to be directly related to gas prices. When the gas price goes up, so does the minimum wage. (Seems fair to me...) September 11 2012

I've found a replacement for coffee. Take one small Prius, and place directly behind it, one very large coal truck. In the Prius, put one driver who is slowing down and signaling to make a left hand turn. In the coal truck, put one not-so-alert truck driver. I swear, the

sound of coal truck tires sliding on pavement right behind you will wake you up immediately! No coffee needed! September 4 2012

The coffee I drink is for your protection. September 3 2012

Some days just aren't made for being vertical. September 2 2012

The word for today is "Blah". It has been brought to you by the letters "B" "F" and "D". August 27 2012

Some days I think God is like your friends, in that every now and then He likes to yank your chain just to irritate you because He thinks you're funny when you get mad. August 12 2012

I have an idea! What if we hold a huge "psycho-family reunion" and invite all our psycho-family members, put them all in one gathering, and sit back and watch what happens? I'll bring the popcorn! August 9 2012

There are some things best left unsaid...unless you are with your weird friends. Then go ahead and say it. They will laugh and appreciate your sick sense of humor. July 22 2012

Peter Parker was bitten by a radioactive spider and became Spider-Man. I think I've been bitten by a radioactive slug... July 9 2012

My allergist told me to give up coffee. He said I would feel better. He doesn't understand. I may feel better after a while, but the rest of the world will suffer terribly. July 6 2012

The difference between simply having a habit and being an idiot: If you walk into a room and flick on the light switch, knowing the power is out, it's just a force of habit. But if your friends see you do this, you're an idiot. June 30 2012

Let's check off some things on my "To Do" list...

Exercise...check

Morning Meditation...check

Daily Readings...check

Breakfast and Coffee...check

Scrub decks and siding...check

Eat cookies...eat cookies??? How did that get on my list??? Oh well...one more thing to do... June 6 2012

Went through one of those airport scanners the other day, the kind that shows an image of your body. I was kind of surprised. No one laughed, screamed, gagged, looked away, grimaced, squinted, or even snickered...makes me wonder if the darned thing was working properly... June 5 2012

Bleah. This Monday is gonna require a whole lot of chocolate. May 14 2012

It's 4/20. I just drugged my cats with catnip. It seemed the right thing to do. April 20 2012

I used to hear "Snap Crackle and Pop" in my breakfast cereal. Now I can make those sounds in the morning all by myself... April 9 2012

I don't need to win the lottery to get rich. I'm gonna just wait until they legalize marijuana and then buy stock in Hostess and Dolly Madison. March 30 2012

Dogs have been domesticated by man for over ten thousand years. It has occurred to me that for over ten thousand years, someone somewhere has been thinking, "I wish those dogs would just shut the hell up." March 24 2012

I know in the traditional Christian Mass, the body of Christ is represented by a wafer of unleaven bread. Personally, I think it should be an ice cream sandwich. March 19 2012

Any time I see traffic all backed up and not moving on the interstate, I think to myself, "Gee, that's terrible. I bet someone in that line really has to pee." March 7 2012

It has occurred to me that Curly of the Three Stooges probably came up with his famous "woo woo woo" after sitting on a cold toilet seat one morning... March 5 2012

For ages, man had wine to drink and was happy. But I find it interesting that it was only when we started drinking coffee on a wide scale that we actually started to get stuff done. March 5 2012

Signs of the times: I noticed that the cable news networks is advertising toilet paper between broadcasts, and "The Lorax" from Dr. Seuss's environmental tale is being used to advertise cars... February 27 2012

Just got done eating Chinese take-out. My fortune cookie says, "Peace comes from within." I really hope that grumbling in my stomach is just a bunch of peace wanting to come out... February 18 2012

As much as alcohol is reviled for it's promoting violence, I'm sure that somewhere, someone's life has been saved because someone else had their morning cup of coffee. January 25 2012

I used to want to live in a castle. All those spires looked wonderful. Now that I'm older, I look at them and think, "Man, that's a lot of stairs to climb." January 25 2012

One perk about being an adult is eating chocolate at 9:00 in the morning and nobody can stop me! Bwahahaha! January 24 2012

My New Year's Resolutions:

1. Buy a tub of Ben and Jerry's Chubby Hubby.
2. Eat it.
3. Congratulate myself for finally keeping my New Year's Resolutions! December 29 2011

Just for the record, I think that leaf blowers are one of the most irritating, useless things on the planet. November 6 2011

Today has been a complete waste of time, energy, and effort. I'm not ashamed at all. October 30 2011

I asked my wife if she could stop washing my pants in hot water, because it was causing them to shrink around the waistline. She doesn't think that her washing is causing the problem... October 23 2011

I think I'm gonna change my ringtone to the sound of a cat barfing. That ought to get some interesting reactions in restaurants and elevators... October 7 2011

I noticed that on this Halloween, some people can wear costumes of hockey-masked, knife wielding serial killers, while others can dress up as pumpkins. I say it's a good match. October 7 2011

Sometimes I feel like I'm a warp speed person living in an impulse power world. October 7 2011

Sometimes I think I need to get up early in the morning and get some work done before my mind wakes up and realizes what I'm doing. October 3 2011

Of all the monuments and memorials honoring people and things these days, I think a very important one is missing. It helped build the nation and keep it strong. It is used to celebrate, to relax, and is a companion during and after meals. It helps promote comraderie and keeps us going when times are tough. I'm talking about coffee. The US needs a monument to coffee. September 10 2011

That's it. I'm calling the CIA. If they already know everything about me, maybe they can tell me where my %\$!#% glasses are. September 6 2011

Some mornings I wake up without the alarm, and I feel alert, alive and ready to start the day. Then, as the morning breaks, I sit outside on the deck and watch the fog lift, and the

birds begin their search for food. Slowly, the coffee in my cup warms me, and I think to myself, "Good God! What are you doing!?! Get back in bed!"  
September 2 2011

Sometimes I think God wakes up in the morning and says to himself, "Gee...how can I mess with Mark today?"  
August 30 2011

Cussword for today: Fuzzypickles.  
August 29 2011

There's nothing quite like walking down a dark hallway in the middle of the night, trying to be quiet so you won't wake your wife, only to step on a stupid cat...  
August 28 2011

When I was young and doing stupid stuff that got me injured, I didn't know I signed up for a "buy now, pay twenty years later" payment plan...(oh btw, it has a high interest rate, too.)  
August 25 2011

My belly is round, I have stretch lines on my face and neck, I move slow, and I smell kind of funky. OMG. I've turned into a turtle!  
August 18 2011

I went to apply for a gym membership and I got turned down. I had the money, but I wasn't fit enough to join. They said their insurance wouldn't cover me. Then they gave me a referral to the emergency room...  
August 18 2011

I'd like to stay and chat, but my hammock needs me...  
August 14 2011

I've lost my glasses, my car keys, my wallet, my coffee cup, my hair and my mind. Why is it so hard for me to lose weight?  
August 14 2011

My mirror has the worst job in the world. First thing every morning it has to look me right in the face.  
August 6 2011

If there are cats in heaven, they gotta be driving St. Peter crazy. First they want in the Pearly Gates, then they want out, then they want in again, then they are laying all over the Book of Life...  
July 14 2011



I'm getting to the stage in life where I don't need alcohol to not remember what I did the night before...

July 9 2011

A sign of getting older: You ache when you get out of bed in the morning and you didn't do anything the night before to deserve it.

July 3 2011

Seeing as how I don't have kids running around the house, you'd think my homeowners insurance would be cheaper...

June 29 2011

Thank you Yosemite Sam, for teaching me how to cuss properly.

June 29 2011

One group that ought to be strongly supporting gay marriage is divorce lawyers.

June 11 2011

Why is it when people see an image of a long haired bearded guy they automatically assume it's Jesus? I see those images and I think of the Doobie Brothers...

May 15 2011

According to advertisements on TV, I can save a lot of money on cleaning products by not having kids

May 9 2011

I hereby declare, by the power invested in me as caretaker of the lawn, that from this day onward, dandelions shall here now and forever more, be declared a flower of the realm, and as so, shall be protected and cared for, and shall enjoy all the rights and privileges as do any other flower in the yard. (if you can't beat 'em, legalize 'em.)

May 8 2011

Thought for today...Cologne for real men ought to smell like sawdust, leather, and Hoppe's No. 9 gun oil.

April 25 2011

Kids get in trouble for putting grass and leaves and stuff in their hair. We adults pay lots of money for companies to put the same stuff in our shampoo...

April 23 2011