

ERWIN KRASNOW BREAKFAST

LAS VEGAS COUNTRY CLUB

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THANKS FOR THE PREPOSTHUMOUS EULOGIES – I APPRECIATE STILL BEING AROUND TO HEAR THEM AND TO ENJOY YOUR FRIENDSHIP.

IT IS A TREAT BEING HERE WITH ERWIN, A TREASURED FRIEND OF 30 YEARS AND A VITAL SUPPORTER OF MY HECTIC INITIAL CONFIRMATION IN 1974. HE CASHED IN EVERY CHIP KNOWN TO MAN, ETC.

SO, I'M REALLY GLAD TO BE HERE. AS A FUGITIVE FROM THE ACTUARIAL TABLES I SHOULD BE GLAD TO BE ANYWHERE.

I KEEP READING ARTICLES THAT ADVISE IF YOU TAKE YOUR PILLS, EAT YOUR VEGGIES AND EXERCISE REGULARLY YOU COULD LIVE TO THE RIPE OLD AGE OF 85! SO HERE I AM ALREADY OVER RIPE! WHY DIDN'T THE SOB SAY 95! I DIDN'T NEED ANOTHER REMINDER THAT I AM REALLY A FUGITIVE FROM THE ACTUARIAL TABLES.

AT THIS NAB CONVENTION, I'M AGAIN CHEERFULLY GREETED BY FRIENDS USING THE NICE OLD GREETING I ASSOCIATE WITH THE LAST PHASE OF LIFE – “YOU LOOK GREAT!” A BRIGHT LAWYER AND POSITIVE FEMALE PERSONALITY TOLD ME, “YOU NOT ONLY LOOK GREAT BUT YOU HAVE THE SPIRIT OF A 25 YEAR OLD!” I REPLIED THANKS, BUT I REALLY WISH I HAD THE NON-SPIRITUAL ATTRIBUTES OF A 25 YEAR OLD.

THINKING OF THAT, I WANT TO COME BACK IN THE NEXT LIFE RE-INCARNATED AS A RACE HORSE – RETIRE, STUD, ETC.

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ERWIN ALSO SUGGESTED I REVIEW ONE OR TWO OF MY PAST CLASSIC ATTEMPTS AT HUMOR. FIRST, A 20 YEAR OLD CHUCKLE: "WITH THE INVOLUNTARY CELEBACY OF THE GOLDEN YEARS, I NOW PLAY X-RATED MOVIES BACKWARDS BECAUSE NOW I LIKE TO SEE PEOPLE GET DRESSED AND GO HOME."

ANOTHER OLDIE, "I NOW READ *PLAYBOY MAGAZINE* FOR THE SAME REASON I READ *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC* – TO SEE FASCINATING PLACES I DON'T GET TO VISIT."

I WANT TO STOP HERE. IF I START RELATING SOME OF MY MORE SACRILEGIOUS STORIES, THE CURRENT REGULATORY FCC MIGHT TRY TO REVOKE MY CITIZENSHIP!

WITH THAT, I REST MY CASE. THANKS FOR ADDING SUCH A PLEASANT EVENT TO MY LIFETIME MEMORIES.

BEST WISHES FOR HEALTH, HAPPINESS AND CONTINUED FULFILLMENT TODAY AND EVERYDAY.