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Sparkle And Shine

By Marian M. Fay

Gold, silver, bronze, and green metallic paint
In the sunlight shines brightly

When we smile from the heart
In the Son's light our eyes sparkle and shine indelibly

Gold, blue, silver, red, orange, pink, green, and purple glitter glue
In the sunlight sparkles brightly

When we smile from the heart
In the Son's light our eyes sparkle and shine indelibly

Diamonds, rubies, emeralds, sapphires and citrines
In the sunlight sparkle and shine brightly

When we smile from the heart
In the Son's light our eyes sparkle and shine indelibly

Ponds, lakes, streams, rivers and oceans
In the rising and setting sunlight dazzle and sparkle brightly

When we smile from the heart, from our first breath to our last
In the Son's light our eyes sparkle and shine indelibly.

Faith Says 2020
By Marian M. Fay

“For every soft caressing breeze that brushes away tears of pain, anger, and frustration.
There is goodness deeply felt, God is good.

For every outstretched hand that helps care for and comforts the sick and the dying
There is strength lifting them up and building their trust.
God can be trusted. He is faithful.

For every gently spoken word of encouragement that dispels feelings of not good
enough, and I wish I could have done more
There is an abiding flame of hope, God is hope.

For every actual and virtual hug that shuts out distractions that weigh heavily on your
shoulders and intensely in your muscles especially in your heart
There is a loving release of peace, God is love and He gives you His peace.

For every hospital worker, home health aid, grocery employee, trucker, mail carrier,
delivery person, cook/chef that care for their neighbors and country
There is an abundance of love and gratefulness from God’s children, God sees you and
I believe He’s proud and loves you. God is love.

For every celebration of revelation of who we really are in God the One who created us.
There is true joy in the knowledge you have a place of love to come home to.”

Amen

Virtual Togetherness

Submitted by Nancie Merritt

How have you been dealing with this new age of spending so much time at home? I do not consider myself to be very adept at technology, but I have been introduced to Zoom and find that it is a wonderful way to be with people even though it is through your computer or smart phone instead of in person. Unlike Facetime or Skype, participants do not all need to have either Apple or Android systems.

My first introduction to Zoom was to participate in a weekly discussion group that normally meets at the Logan Library. I only needed to download Zoom through zoom.us (free) and when I received the invitation, I merely clicked on the link at the appointed time, and I was in. Although this system can accommodate over 100 participants, I've not been in a group of more than around twenty. You can set up your screen to see all participants in a grid formation. It works best if you have a light or a window in front of you. If you have the light behind you, you will appear in shadow. To find the best spot, put your cell phone on selfie and walk around your house to see where the lighting works best. If you have a laptop or tablet, you can set it up in that location.

Besides this discussion group, I have been to a couple of Happy Hours with friends, Zoomed with my children and grandchildren, Weatherby Book Club, Weatherbee Editors, Weatherby Writers Group and just casual conversations with friends. I think it is better than just a phone call, although I have heard a view that says phone calls are more personal. But, in my opinion, and being a visual person, I feel that seeing someone feels more personal to me.

The Logan Library has two book clubs, Best Sellers and History, that meets through a platform called Google Meets, similar to Zoom, but just a little less intuitive to use. But both are excellent ways to be 'with' people and not feel so isolated in our new Stay-at-Home lifestyle.

I have heard that a winery has held a virtual wine tasting through Zoom as well. It worked like this. The winery advised their customers of four bottles of wine they would feature. Customers bought the wine at a liquor store that sold the vineyard's wine and at the appointed time, they linked into the wine tasting for a discussion about each of the wines they purchased. It sounds like a fun time.

A friend regularly reads bedtime stories to her grandchildren over Zoom and also does arts and crafts with them as well. It seems we are only constrained by our imagination as to ways to stay in touch with friends and relatives.

Hopefully things will gradually get back to what used to be normal. But in the meantime, stay home, stay connected, stay well, stay safe.

Early's Raid on Washington - The President Under Fire!
Attack on Fort Stevens Repulsed.
By Henry J. Winser (aka Ben Carlton)

Rebel General Jubal Early with 15,000 battle-hardened veterans of Lee's army advanced on Washington but were summarily turned back at the gates of the city. Unsubstantiated reports of Rebel numbers and rumors of atrocities were greatly exaggerated, causing many citizens to flee in panic. On July 9th Early's thrust across the Potomac had been heroically delayed by a scratch force of national troops pulled together at the Monocacy River under the command of General Lew Wallace. Consequently, Early and his marauders did not reach the formidable fortifications on the outskirts of Washington City until the eleventh. Once reinforcements from General Grant's army arrived, the game was up, and Early was forced to retreat back to the Valley of Virginia. (But not before maliciously burning to the ground the house of Postmaster General Montgomery Blair at Silver Spring.) This gave rise to the humorous observation that when the rebels arrived to capture Washington City, "Early was *late!*" Not to be outdone, the profane General Early is reported to have exclaimed, "We may not have taken Washington, but we scared Old Abe like h---!"

Far from being "scared," the President, a few senators and members of the Cabinet, notably Secretary of the Navy, Gideon Welles, came out to Fort Stevens to have a first-hand look at the progress of the battle from the ramparts. Heavy skirmishing was occurring beyond the fort's walls as Union infantry advanced to meet the rebel attack. Sharpshooters firing from trees and abandoned houses threatened the President and his entourage as they stood upon the parapet. After a surgeon standing right beside the President was hit and severely wounded, General Wright ordered the Commander-in-Chief down from the works. One officer nearby, perhaps not recognizing the President, was reported to have shouted, "Get down, you fool!" Mr. Lincoln reluctantly complied and sought a safer place to view the battle. It is believed to have been the first and only time an American President has come under hostile enemy fire that didn't emanate from the opposition press. Whether or not rebel marksmen specifically targeted the President may never be known.



President Abraham Lincoln under rebel fire at Fort Stevens, July 12, 1864. (Bas-relief by Schwizer in *Jubal Early's Raid on Washington, 1864* [p. 142])

Mr. Lincoln had been highly displeased upon learning that Gustavus V. Fox, the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, had ordered two or three gunboats up the Potomac to stand by with steam up in case the present emergency required that the President be evacuated. However, President Lincoln was not content to ride out the storm confined to the White House. Instead he and Mrs. Lincoln, in the presidential carriage, rode out the Seventh Street Road to Fort Stevens to watch the battle in progress on two successive days, July 11th and 12th.



Members of the 6th Independent Battery, New York Artillery at Fort Stevens [i.e., Parker Press Park, Woodbridge, NJ] prepare to fire as President Lincoln and an unidentified lady look on. Photo courtesy of William Myers.

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Ultimately, Fort Stevens with its heavy artillery and the other forts that form a protective ring around the Capital proved their worth, even undermanned as they were, as the works were just too strong for a raiding party the size of Early's force to invest and overrun. The ordnance at Fort Stevens alone boasted four 24-pounder seacoast cannon firing in barbette; six 24-pounder siege guns in an embrasure; two 8-inch siege howitzers; five 30-pounder Parrott guns, plus a 10-inch siege and a 24-pounder Coehorn mortar. The Confederates' plan to siphon off troops

and relieve Lee's army besieged at Petersburg, succeeded to some degree, but not enough to materially alter the strategic situation there. We daily await the news that General Grant's troops will have breached the works at Petersburg, the so-called "Backdoor to Richmond," and sent the rebels flying.

- H. J. W.

[Editor's note: For more information, see B. F. Cooling's *Jubal Early's Raid on Washington, 1864*]

In Less Than a Minute
By Teresa Carlton

It takes less than a minute
For a bomb to destroy

A car to spin off the road
From black ice

For a word said
That divides

For a prognosis to change
To death

Less than a minute
For a life to change.

Mamma's Dance

By Teresa Carlton

Little girl tapping
Falling asleep out on the porch
In the dark
...abusive dad

Little girl twirling away from mommy's arms
...a mom you never believed loved you
Step - hop, step - hop - to the left then right
You didn't marry your sweetheart,
But sashayed to the door that looked safer
– Respectable life.

You twirled and danced to your reflection.
Suddenly little ones looked back at you.
1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5
Each with needs and problems.

In and out you waltzed
Here and there
1 - 2 - 3 men
Donny, Sid, Joe

Turn, turn, turn
There you are - own business, recipe creations, even modeling hats.

Twist, sway - suddenly gray
Days and steps much slower.

Tap shoes packed away
Ballet ones all worn
The music fades and the curtain closes
Your curtsey was your last.

Corona Virus 2020

9 days ago the governor of first state of Delaware declared a state of emergency and joined the rest of the nation ordered to practice self quarantining. Only places of business that were essential were allowed to be open. Grocery stores, doctor's offices, hospitals, gas stations , social service agencies, and police departments stayed open. Even the schools were closed and teachers had to hold classes remotely over the internet. All restaurants were closed except for take out or delivery. Bars, movie theaters and park facilities and children's playground equipment were closed because people needed to practice safe distancing i.e. 6 ft. apart. T.V. shows are reruns or, actors and hosts are doing shows remotely from there homes.

How I'm Spending Corona Virus Stay At Home Time

By Marian M. Fay

By and large I'm keeping up with friends and family by Facebook and phone/texting.

If I'm watching TV I try to keep news to a minimum . I keep or son in prayer since we don't have any communication with him at this time. When I do watch TV I look for home improvement

shows or reruns of Gilmore girls and Big Bang Theory. Last night I watched the PBS show American Experience, the polio epidemic as told by survivors. Most of my life I have distanced myself from this subject because it would be admitting I'm not as normal as everyone else. Since

I've only in the last year or so started to think about and write about my own experience with polio

I watched the show. Outside of a few inaccuracies in their time line and getting mildly pissed off at

the reckless way the vaccines were contaminated and distributed, I found the show to be a humbling

experience. When I was 4 years old I was unaware of the enormity of the crisis. I just wanted to get better, go home and resume a "normal" life. Last night as I saw the row upon row of iron lungs and listened to the stories of the survivors and their family members I got a better understanding of what my family went through. Just like this present Corona pandemic, so ,many people died year after year. It gave a whole new meaning and spiritual weight to the phrase "I'm still here". A mostly paralyzed arm is a small cross to bare when I look at other

survivors who learned to live with their "new normal". So if your new normal right now is inconvenience and cabin fever, it's a small price to pay for staying alive. Stay home, stay in touch through letters or digital devices, stay safe and pray. Be counted among the lucky ones who can say "I'm still here."

What Darkness Hides

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" F wuwf "y cu'c'j ck'w'pf gt "ukz "hggv."dw'j g'eqwf "v'gm'l'wuw'd{ "y vej kpi "y cv'uj g'y cu'cv'hcuv"
y tgg'v'ko gu'j ku'j gki j v0Uj g'upcr r gf "cv'v'j g'h'uj "j gcf u."f tcy kpi "y go "kp"cpf "ekter'kpi "y g'dqc0Uj g"
ngr v'emug."pgctn{ "j wi i kpi "y g'j wn"cpf "F wuwf au'gp'vt'g'xkukp'y cu'eqpuwo gf "d{ "j gt0J g'tgcej gf "
i mxgf "h'kpi gtu'v'j tqwi j "y g'dctu0Vj g{ "tcp"fy p'v'j g'ukf g'qh'j gt "y ken'lun'kp0'

" Uj g'hgn'k0Uj g'ekernf "dcen0J gt'dki . "drcen'g{ g'y cu'uvctkpi 'cv'j ku "o qwj 'r gtej gf "qr gp"vq " wcuvg'v'j g'y cvgt "ctqwpf "j ko 0J g'hgr v'j ku'j gctv'cu'uvkn'cu'j g'eqwf . "pqv'y cpvkpi "vq'uetg'j gt0J ku " j gctv'y cupø'uetgco kpi 'y kj 'hgct"cp{ o qtg=k'uetgco gf 'y kj "gzekgo gpv0Y kj 'hcuekpcvkp0Y kj " cy g0'

" Uj g'uy gr v'd{ "emqug."j gt'r gevqtcn'hp"rpi gt'v'j cp"j ku"cto . "cpf "j ku'hkpi gtu'urkf "qxgt "k'y kj " y qpf gt0J g'hpgy "j g'j cf "c'lqd"vq"fq . "dw"j g'eqwf "j cxg'uv{ gf "kp'v'j cv'o qo gpv'v'j g'tguv'qh'j ku " rkhgko g0Vj g'tguv'qh'every"rkhgko g0Tckukpi "j ku'ur gcti wp . "j g'clo gf "hqt"j gt'f qtucn'hp"cpf 'r wngf " v'j g'tki i gt0Vj g'vci "uwem'qp"v'j g'hku'v't { . "cpf "cu's wkenf "cu'uj gøf "gpvgtgf "j ku'rkhg . "uj g'rh0F qy p" cpf "f qy p'kpq"v'j g'f ctnpguu'wpkn'j gt'rpi . "gngi cpv'ckn'eco qwhrci gf 'y kj "v'j g'f gr v'j u'dgnqy 0'

" Y j gp"v'j g{ 'r wngf "j ko "htqo "v'j g'eci g . "v'j g'etgy "dctgn{ "j cf "v'j g'i gct"qh'h'j ko "dghqtg"j g'y cu " twppkpi "vq"v'j g'o qpkqtu'kp"j ku'dqzgtu0Nqw'y cu'cv'v'j g'eqo r wgt . "i tkppkpi "htqo "gct"vq"gct0'

" ðl qw'i qv'kzö"j g'uckf 0ðP qy . "{ qw'pco g'k0ð"

" F wuv{ "j cf "pco gf "j gt'Dguukg0J g'eqwf pø'dg'uwg'y j { . "dw'k'l'wuv'hgn'tki j x0J gøf "hgr v' wdu'qp'Dguukg"gxgt "ulpeg . "y cvej kpi "j gt'i gqmqecvkp"ektewrvg"dgwy ggp"v'j g'eqcu'qh'Qæj w'cpf "v'j g" kurcpf u'qh'Rercw'hqt "pgctn{ "hqtv{/hkg" { gctu0Uqo gvko gu . "qp'tgugctej "gzr gf kkpqu . "j gøf "ugg"j gt " ci ckp0'

" Gxgt { "vko g . "uj g'y cu'c'rkvwg'f khgtgpv0C'hgy "o qtg"j qqmu'uwem'kp"v'j g'unkp"qh'j gt'o qwj " cpf "i km00 qtg'tcy "qt'uetctgf "hnguj "y j gtg'hkuj kpi "hkp"j cf "urkegf "kpq"j gt "dghqtg"uj g'eqwf "dtgcnl cy c{ 0Qpeg . "j gøf "uggp"j gt'y kj "j gt'uj qcn'cpf "y q'r wr u'hnggr kpi "pgct0J gøf "vci i gf "v'j go "vq . "dw" cu'vko g'y qwf "vgn'cpf "hkp" kpi "eqpvkpwgf . "Dguukg"qwrkxgf "dqv'j "qh'j gt" { qwpi 0Dguukg"qwrkxgf "j gt " gpvkt g'uj qcn'vq . "cpf "v'j g"qpg"chngt "v'j cv0'

" Kp'hcev . "Dguukg"qwrkxgf "gxgt { "qv'j gt "qpg"qh'j gt "hkp 0Cu"geej "I RU"vci "uwthcegf "v'j g" f gxcucvkpi "twj . "Dguukg"vci "eqpvkpwgf "ku'o ki tvkqp"v'j tqwi j "v'j g'Rcekhe0Uj g'ku'v'j g'rcuv'I tgcv' Y j kg"uj ctm'cpf "rkngr{ "v'j g'rcuv'uj ctm'ghv'kp"cp{ "qh'v'j g'ugxgp"ugcu0D{ "4275 . "Dwmu'cpf "Vki gtu" y gtg'i qpg . "cpf "v'j g'Ngo qpu'cpf "Ucpf u'y gtgpø'hct "dgi kpf 0Cu"uj { "cpf "gnwukxg"cu"J co o gtj gcf u" y gtg . "hkp"gtu"j cf "r mpy gf "v'j tqwi j "v'j cv'r qr wrvkp"rcuv" { gct0Uwtg . "v'j gtg'o ki j v'dg"ci qdnkp"qt" y j crg'uj ctm'luo gy j gtg'kp"v'j g'f gr v'j u . "cpf "c'uj ctm'qt"vy q'uo ctv'gpqwi j "vq"nggr "cy c{ . "dw"v'j qug" y gtg"j qr ghv'ly kuj gu0Vj g'hceu'ctg"v'j cv'qh'v'j g"465.222"uj ctm'vci i gf "ulpeg"3; 84 . "qpn{ "qpg"vci " ukn'r kpi u0Køf "dggp"r kpi kpi "dcen'cpf "hqt"v'j "kp"v'j g'uco g'rc{ { "qxcn'hqt"hqtv{/wy q" { gctu0 "wpkn'

vqf c { 0Vqf c { .Dguulg'v'cxgrgf "qwukf g'qh'Rcmwau'ucpewct { 'ur ceg'cpf "etquugf "kp'v'f cpi gtqwu"
y cvgtu0'

" F wuw' 'y cmu'cetquu'v'j g'f gem'v'q'Ectvgt0F gur kg'v'j g'g' gctu.'uj g'v'km'j cu'v'j cv'uwwddqtp' "{ qwj " v'j cv'o cngu'j gt'g'g' gu'i ngco 0Uj g'uk'u.'j v'pej gf "qxgt'c'i nctg/tkf f gp'eqo r wgt'uetggp'cv'v'j g'r qt'v'qh' v'j g'dqcv."g'g' gu'i nwgf "v'v'j g'i tggp'tcf ct'uecpkpi "qxgt'cpf "qxgt0*Just like Lou used to.*

" oY g'g'v'g'p'm'lemu'cy c { .o'uj g'uc { u'y kj qw'h'q'qnkpi 'w' 0'

" J g'p'qf u0'Y j { "Dguulg'y qwf' 'ej cpi g'j' gt'eqwtug'chgt'cm'v'j gug' "{ gctu.'j g'f'qgup'o'hpqy 0' Rgtj cr u'uj g'f' "hqwpf'cpqy gt'I tgcv'Y j kg00 c { dg'c'pgy "uj qcn'y kj "c'pgy "o ki tc'v'q'p'r cwgtp0'

" oK'v'f' "{ qw'k'f' 'h'v' "{ qw'hpqy "y j gp'y g'g'g'y kj kp'v'j tgg0"

" o'k'p'cm'v'j g' "{ gctu' "{ qw'x'g'hpqy p'o g.'y j gp'j' cxg'K'o cpci gf "v'dg'r cv'k'p'v'o'F wuw' 'etcemu." c'pf "Ectvgt'tqmu'j gt'g'g' gu0'

" oY j { 'f'qp'o' "{ qw'i q'dwi "Lgcp'kp'v'j g'y j gg'j' qwug'A'Qt "dgwgt.'v'j cv'p'gy "nk' "{ qw'dt'qwi j v' cm'pi 0"

" *Ah, yes, the new kid.* "Cv'v'j gp'v' /h'x'g'j ko ugrh'j g'f' 'p'gxgt'uggp'c'uj ct'm'q'wukf g'cs wctkwo u0' C'i q'qf "cngt'p'cv'x'g'v'q'dgkpi 'j w'p'v'f' 'kp'v'j g'y k'f' . "dw'p'q' uwduk'w'w'g'h'q'v'j g'y k'f' g'qr gp'ugc0'

" Vj g'v'cu'v'q'h'v'j g'cs wctkwo 'uj ct'm'j cf 'f'k'f' "q'h'c' h'gy " "{ gctu'ci q'o 'i gp'g'r q'q'n'v'q'uo cm" q'h'ur t'kpi "v'q' h'gy 'c'pf 'h'c't' d'gy g'g'p'o 'dw'F wuw' 'eqwf' 'p'gxgt'dt'kpi 'j ko ugrh'v'q'i q'dcem'v'j gt'g0J g'f' " w'ng'p'j ku'i t'c'p'f' f'cwi j v'gt'v'q'ugg'v'j g'uj ct'm'y j gp'uj g'y cu'v'j tgg.'c'pf 'j g'eqwf'p'o'uj cng'v'j g'i w'k'v' v'j cv'c'v'g'cy c { 'cv'j ko "h'k'g'u'c't'x'g'f' r'k'c'p'j cu0*Innocent creatures imprisoned for a crime they're not committing.*

Vj g'g' 'y g'g'eq'p'h'k'p'g'f' "v'v'j gp'v' "h'gg'v'q'h'uc'v'g'y cvgt'y j k'g'v'j g't'g'c'n'h'k'ng'tu'j cf "v'j g'gp'v'k'g" q'eg'c'p'v'j go ugr'x'gu0'

" F wuw' 'uj w'h'gu'v'q'v'j g'dqy . 'f'g'ek'f' g'f' n' 'p'q'v'k'p'v'j g'o q'q'f' "v'q'v'cm'v'q' "Lgcp'qt'v'j g'p'gy "nk' 0J ku" u'q'o cej 'y t'k'j gu'h'k'ng'h'x'g'y q'to u'q'p'j q'q'mu.'y c'k'k'pi 'h'q't'j ko "v'q'd'k'g'c'v'q'p'g'd'g'h'q't'g'f' t'ci i k'pi 'v'j g'k' " u'j c't'r 'v'k'r 'v'j t'q'wi j 'j ku'i w'0C'v'j g'g'f' i g'q'h'j ku'uki j v' 'u'q'o g'y k'pi 'us w'cu'q'p'v'j g'y cvgt0J g'us w'k'p'u." y k'k'k'pi 'v'j g'h'q'y /dt'k'o o g'f' 'h'q'i "q'h'q'eg'c'p'o ku'v'q'eng'ct0K'h'q'q'mu'cmo qu'v'h'k'ng'v'j g'q'w'v'k'p'g'q'h'c'uo cm' d'q'c'o 'cd'q'w'v'j g'uk' g'q'h'v'j g'k'w'i o 'c'pf "F wuw' 'u'l'cy 'v'ki j v'g'pu0'

" *If it's a boat, it doesn't have a radio.* "qyj gty kug'Ectvgt'y qwf 'j cxg'r kengf 'wr "qp'k0'
F wuw{au'dggp'ctqwpf "rpi "gpqwi j "v'npqy "c"dqcv'y ku'hct'qw'cpf "vj cv'hct'qh'h'y g'i tlf "ku'ugrf qo "c"
i qqf "y kpi 0'

" *Longline fishers?* Vj qwi j 'y g'o gy qf 'j cf "dggp"qwny gf "kp'o qu'r megu" { gctu'ci q. 'k'
f kf p0'uvqr "twn{ 'f gyto kpgf "huj gtu'htqo 'r qcej kpi "huj . "gpcpi gtgf "wtvqu."cpf "uj ctmu0Vj g"
gpetqcej kpi 'f gcjy "qh'rpi rpg'huj kpi 'y cu'ckf gf "d{ 'y g'hcev'y cv'uekpeg'j cf 'i qwgp'dgwt0 " "
uctlgt'd{ 'F wuw{au'qy p'qr kpkp0 "cmqy kpi "dkvgej "eqo r cplgu'vq'r tqf weg'o qu'bo gcv'r tqf wew'kp"
mdu'kpuvcf'qh'hcto kpi "qt'huj kpi 0Qpg'qh'y g'hwetvkg'dwukpguugu'vq'etqr 'wr 'y cu'rd/i gpgtcvfg "
uj ctmlhpu="j qy gxgt. 'y cv'j cf p0'f gyttgf "uj ctmlhpgtu0C'u'hct'cu'y g'dwukpguuo gp'y gtg"
eqpegtpgf. 'r ugwf q/hpu'y gtg'c'ugcf { 'kpeqo g. "dw'v'y g'tki j v'o cp'y qwf 'r c{ 'j cpf uqo gn{ 'hqt'cp"
cwj gp'le'hk. "gur gekcm{ "cu'y g'pcwtcn'ur r n{ 'f y kpf rnf "kpv'pqpzkuvpeg0F wuw{ "eqwf "qpn{ "
ko ci kpg'j qy 'o wej 'y g'ruv'cwj gp'le'uj ctmlhpu'y qwf 'i q'hqt0 "vpu'qh'y qwucpf u. 'kh'pqb'o qtg0'
" 0Vj tgg'mkema#0'Ectvgt'uj qwu0'

" F wuw{ 'j cu'y kpguugf "gpqwi j "uj ctmlhpkpi u'v'ruv'j ko "cp"gytprk{ 0D{ 'j ku'hqt'vku. 'j g"
ej cpi gf 'i gctu'htqo 'o ctkpg'dkqmi ku'vq'o ctkpg'eqpugtxcv'kpk0Vj ku'dqcv'y cu'qpn{ "qpg'qh'c'uo cm'
hggv'y cv'wugf "v'tcxgn'y g'ugcu'kp'ugctej "qh'uj ctmlhpgtu0Vj g{ 0'f'q'y j cv'y g{ "eqwf "v'uvqr 'k."
dw'dgy ggp'v'y g'rgi crk{ "qh'qxgtvcm'kpi "c'uj k'cpf "y g'r rgy qtc'qh'huj gtu. 'xlevt{ 'y cu'ugrf qo "
vucgf 0'

" Kp'j ku'pki j vo ctgu. 'j g'uv'm'uggu'y g'y c{ 'hpgtu'ew'v'y g'hpu'qh'h'k'kpi 'uj ctmu0 "uqo g'rguu"
vj cp'c" { gct'qrf 0 "dghqtg'f wo r kpi 'y gk'drggf kpi . "dtgcj kpi "dqf kgu'dcem'kpv'y g'y cvgt0Vj g{ "
pgxgt'ectgf 'y cv'y j cvxgt'uj ctmu'f kf p0'drggf "qw'qp'y g'f guegpv'y qwf "gkj gt'f tqy p'qt'uvctxg'qp"
vj g'qegcp'hqqt. "dw'F wuw{ "eqwf "pgxgt'uvqr "ectkpi 0P gxgt'uvqr 'tgo go dgtkpi 0'

" Vj g'dqcv'y cu'eqo kpi 'kpv'xkgy 'pqy 0J wne'eqxgtgf "kp'dctpcergu."cpf 'y j ggrj qwug'qr gp'vq"
vj g'rgo gpw0C'uo cm'etgy "uetco drgu'ctqwpf 'y g'f gem'huj kpi "hpgu'j cr j c| ctf n{ 'tqmgf "ctqwpf "c"
twugf 'y kpej 0C'vctr 'us wcu'pgct'vj g'dqy . "dw'j g'f qgup0'ugg'cp{ 'huj 0J ku'vggy 'i tlpf 0'

" 0P gy 'nkf #0'F wuw{ "dgmqy u00I gv'y g'j ctr qqp#0"

" 0J ctr qqpA0'Ectvgt'ecmu."cpf 'y g'uj ctr "etcem'qh'j gt'rcr vqr 'upcr r kpi 'uj w'gej qgu'vq'y g"
dqy 0'

" P gy 'nkf ô 'God, what's his name, James?ô 'Lco gu'j cpf u'F wuw' 'y g'j ctr qqp.'cpf 'F wuw' " cwcej gu'yj g'tqr g'htqo 'y g'J /dkw'vq'k0Ectvgt'twpu'vq'j ko ."dw'j g'f qgupø'hqnm'cv'j gt0J g'vcngu" clo . 'lwuv'rkng'j gâu'f qpg'c'j wpf tgf 'ko gu.'cpf 'uj qqwu0

" Vj g'j ctr qqp'utkngu'yj g'dctpceng/tkf f gp'j wn'tqenlpi 'y g'uo cm'dqcv0Vj g'etgy 'hrckn" utwi i rpi 'vq'nggr 'dcrpeg0Vj gp.'tgcik lpi 'y j cwu'j cr r gpgf . 'y g{ 'tceg'vq'ew'v'j g'rkpg0

" ðRwnik'lp0ô"

" Lco gu'qdg{ u'F wuw' ðu'qtf gt.'uvtlpi 'y g'ecr ucp0Cu'j ctf 'cu'v'j g'etgy 'vkgu.'y g{ 'y qpø'dg" cdng'vq'ew'v'j g'tqr g'kp'ko g0

" ðF wuw' . 'y j cv'v'j g'j gmAö'Ectvgt'f go cpf u.'dw'j gt'xqlæg'ku'uj cnlpi 0Uj g'npqy u'y j cv'j gâu" vj kplpi . 'cpf 'k'ej km'j gt'r cu'v'j g'j gcv'qh'v'j g'uwo o gt'uwpo0

" F wuw' 'i tcdu'v'j g'uj qvi wp'htqo 'ku'etcf rg'qp'v'j g'uvtqdctf 'y cm'cu'v'j g'huj lpi 'dqcv'dwo r u" ci clpu'v'j g'vkg'hgpf gt'qh'v'j g'wi 0Ectvgt'hqmqy u'uwk.'j gt'qy p'i wp'kp'j cpf . 'cpf 'y g{ 'j qr 'qpqv'v'j g" qrr qukpi 'dqcv0

" Vj g'huj gto gp'tclug'v'j gk'j cpf u'qxgt'v'j gk'j gcf u.'uj qwkp' 'kp'c'f khtgpv'rcpi wci g'vq'gcej " qvj gt0Qpg'f tcy u'c'j cpf i wp.'dw'Ectvgt'ku's wlengt0J gt'dcttgr'ku'qp'j ko . 'cpf 'uj g'r wo r u'v'j g" uj qvi wp0

" ðF tqr 'k0ô"

" Y j gj gt'j g'wv'f gtucpf u'j gt'y qtf u'qt'pqv.'j g'npqy u'gpqwi j 'vq'r w'j ku'y gcr qp'qp'v'j g" f gen0

" Cpqvj gt'etgy "o go dgt'hqmu'F wuw' 'kp'v'j g'g{ g.'r rgef lpi 'y kj 'j ko 0J ku'g{ gu'f ctv'v'j g'vctr " s wkm{ . 'cpf 'j g'uj khu'j ku'dqf { 'cu'kh'v'j k'f g'k'htqo 'F wuw' ðu'xkgy 0F wuw' 'vcngu'c'uvgr 'vqy ctf 'kx." uvgrlpi 'j ku'i w.'cpf 'y g'o cp'etkqu'qww'ci clp0J g'r rnegu'j ku'dqf { 'dgy ggp'F wuw' 'cpf 'y g'vctr 0

" ðO qxg.ö'F wuw' 'dctmu0

" Vj g'o cp'uetgco u'cv'j ko ."dw'F wuw' 'f qgupø'wv'f gtucpf 0Wukpi 'y g'dww'qh'j ku'uj qvi wp." F wuw' 'etcemu'j ko 'kp'v'j g'tkdu.'cpf 'y g'o cp'hcmu'v'j g'i tqwv'f 'y kj 'c'r clpgf 'i cur 0

" Vj g'vctr 'ku'hqy 'vq'v'j g'f gem'y tlpmgf 'cpf "o kuv'f 'y kj 'y g'qegcpðu'ucm' 'ur tc{ 0Y cvgt{ ." r kpm'rk wk' r qqm'ctqwpf 'ku'gf i gu'cpf 'hgemu'v'j tqwi j 'c'rko dgt'j qrg0Nqy gt lpi 'j ku'i wp.'F wuw' 'wi u" dcm'v'j g'vctr 0

" C'r kng'qh'o qwrgf 'i tc{ 'hpu0Vy q'r gevqtcn'hpu'c'hkwr'qpi gt'vj cp'j ku'cto u0C'mpi . 'grgi cpv'
vkn0Qpg'vqy gtlpi 'fqtucn'hk'y kj 'c'I RU'ci 'vj tqwi j 'vj g'vr 0'

" F wuw{ au'dqvqo 'hr 's wkgtu. 'g{ gu'wpi kpi 'cu'j g'cngu'c'ukh'uogr 'dcen0J ku'vggy 'i tkpf . 'cpf "
j g'twpu'c'j cpf 'vj tqwi j 'j ku'y k{ . 'y j kng'j ckt0J g'mqmu'cy c{ . 'r ckp'lp'j ku'g{ gu.'dw'hkng'vj g'f tcy 'qh"
c'ect'y tgem'j ku'i c| g'ku'hqtegf 'dcen0Vj g'dmqf 'cv'vj g'ici i gfn{ 'ew'gpf u'qh'vj g'hpu'f tkr . 'f tkr . "
f tkr u0'

" F wuw{ au'vj tqcv'dwtpu.'j qv'eqcu'uvctvpi 'vj gtg'cpf 'r nr r kpi 'kpq'j ku'wqo cej 0Vj g'hkuj kpi "
etgy 'ukn'f{ gmu'q'j ko . 'dw'vj gk'xqlgu'ctg'pqj kpi 'o qtg'vj cp'vj g'y j kng'pqkug'qh'vj g'qegcp0'

" J g'j cu'pq'hqewu'hqt'vj go . 'qpn{ 'her0'

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" *She was the last Great White0*

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