

DEAR DIARY [UPDATE]

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Since my mind is on videos these days, for those of you who enjoy May's music, here is a just-released video of one of May's older songs, called "Heart Song," with her album graphics based on an old poster I used back in the day, when I was performing solo (singer and piano) under the name "Ann Arbor [heart] Song." I know you will enjoy it. Great lyrics.

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This poster is from 1971. I was the first music act to appear at the Odyssey Bar, one of Ann Arbor's favorite watering holes back in the day. I post it here because, as mentioned, my daughter May used it to pattern her very popular album "Heart Song" after it.

The Odyssey Bar was where I first met Margaret, my wife, on what was called "Wine Night" at the Odyssey, which featured some cheap (and inexpensive) wine. It was in March of 1971. We were both sitting at the same long table right in front of the band, where all the locals sat. Margaret was across the table. It was noisy, but not too loud for Margaret to pointedly make fun of me for sitting there drinking orange juice. She said something (for everyone to hear) like "What are you, some kind of pansy, drinking orange juice?"

What she did not know (until that moment) is that I am not intimidated by that kind of behavior. I responded right back with something (that I can't remember now) to the effect let her little bit of bravado was foolish. Well, she didn't like that one bit, to have the tables turned, and she snapped right back "This is the end of this conversation," and I found myself saying, and this is one of the times where I heard my own voice echoing in eternity as I said it. "This is not the end, but just the beginning!" I have no idea why I said that, but it made a deep imprint at the moment and resounded in my mind, forcing me to listen to my own words as if I were a stranger. We met again about a week later, never parted, and were married a few months later.

Anyway, back to today. I am afraid my daily photography has to take a vacation, since I have too much to do working on these new TV channels. I will still post photos, but they will be ones I took at another time.

I shoot nature photos as part of my mind training regimen, so I am just switching the regime to creating all of this video programming I have to do. For me it has the same effect, one of clarifying and focusing the mind. However, my dear Facebook friends, I won't be able to offer you fresh photos for a while. This may change, but right now, from dawn till dusk, I have my hands full with doing this TV thing. I should really have a staff or at least one video-programmer to help build the templates and do the setups, but I don't.

My skills are more toward building and gathering content, although I can do the more technical stuff too. It just takes a lot of time. However, I feel these videos will be worth it, to make available to a wide audience some of the ideas I share here on Facebook with you folks, but rather with people who do better by watching video than reading long blogs like I write. However, it is a whole different kettle of fish for me. This is a step more toward entertainment and a simplification of what I write in blogs here.

On Facebook, I do my best to be clear, but it can be complicated and you folks are a relatively sophisticated audience. For these TV channels, I have to simplify it a lot, and I am surprised how much time words take in a video, like: a lot.

So, that is where things are at with me. The funny thing is that in my astrology blogs, I wrote about this change, and then I am surprised when it actually happens! I find myself also getting on that train of changes before it leaves the station. Go figure.