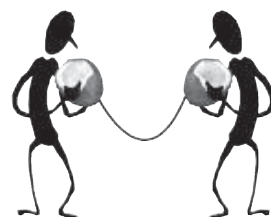


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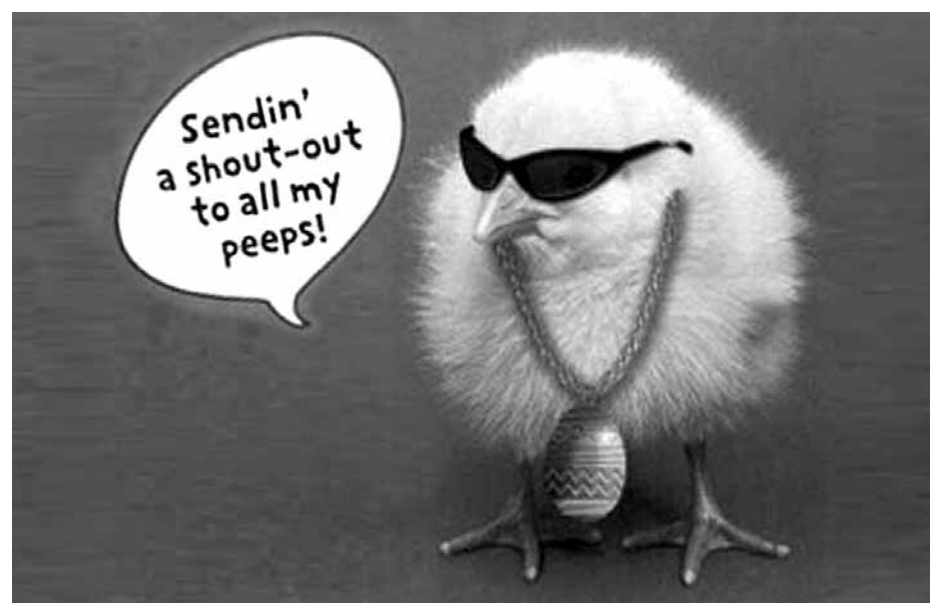
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Editorial: What is the Opposite of Love?

Nearly a decade ago when I was starting the Coconut Telegraph several people asked me how they could help me do it. I told them to please talk about me. I don't care what you say, good, bad it doesn't matter, just talk. You have to keep people talking or else you'll wind up with a boring piece of crap that we in the business call a "throw-away."

The throw-aways don't even make it into my house; they go from the mailbox to the trash can, as I pass it to get to my front door. At my age, money-saving coupons don't much matter, I can't remember to take them to the store anyway. What I need is more time to accomplish everything I want to do.

In order to keep the paper interesting I have had to piss off some people along the way. Hey, you can't please everyone. Smart business people see value in what I do because they see the results from their advertising money. See, there is a method to my madness! Stupid people don't understand it and never will.

Some even get so mad they get obsessed with me. We got a new one this month. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure it out. Someone actually went



to the trouble of taking my caricature off my Facebook page, and they made stickers with my picture with a circle around it and a line through it. That cost money, effort and time, folks! I feel so special!

When I found one attached to my newspaper box at Winn Dixie I peeled it off. It was rather amusing but it was hiding the beautiful cover photo.

Then I stopped by Doc's Diner where they have newspaper boxes outside and the obsessed person had put several of the stickers

on a box belonging to Marr Properties! It wasn't even my box! They defaced someone else's property!

These stickers are the exact size and shape of some stickers that a senile old woman was passing around town a few years back, trying to get people to buy her free drinks. Could it possibly be the same crapulent fermented demented dimwitted dingbat? Well let me tell you I feel the Love!

Surprisingly the opposite of love is not hate. Hate is a strong emotion very much like love and you can get obsessed with both. The opposite of love is indifference. And frankly scallop, I really don't give a clam.

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Dear Anny Bannanny

Dear Anny Bannanny,
I thought I had seen everything then someone posted cockroaches for sale on one of those Facebook sites where you can sell your items for free. They were special cockroaches too, Madagascar cockroaches to be exact. They have 20 to 50 of them and want to trade for work out equipment. What the hell is this world coming to? Maybe I should start selling Palmetto bugs? I could make a fortune!

Yours truly, Going Buggy

Dear Buggy,
Anny Bannanny did a little research and here is what Wiki had to say about them: The Madagascar hissing cockroach, also known as the hissing cockroach or simply hisser, is one of the largest species of cockroach, reaching 2 to 3 inches at maturity. They are from the island of Madagascar off the African mainland, where they can be found in rotting logs. It is one of some 20 known species of large hissing roaches from Madagascar, many of which are kept as pets, and often confused with one another by pet dealers.

How about that! Those suckers are even bigger than Palmetto bugs! I think if I saw one hissing at me I'd crap my pants right there on the spot! Holy shamoley!

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