

I'm still working on it...

A semi-challenge was placed on this blog, for a movie quote blog. It is a little more difficult than I thought at first. Some of the first things that came to mind were quotes from shows I have been in. Then some TV shows that I like, and finally some movies.

So I was wondering how to handle that. I'm thinking I should keep it to movies only, but there go some good TV quotes. And then I have to make sure that the quotes I have from plays I've been in are actually in their movie counterpart. Tough to do. I will have to keep a list of all the movies that the quotes have been in. And no partial phrase quotes. The quotes should make up a complete sentence. And not a long 'blog' worthy quote from some movie. That would be cheating...

Can I do it?

Crazy Prices!

We live a little over an hour outside of Toledo, Ohio, so it's the 'big city' we visit for extra shopping, better restaurants, and of course, the zoo. We've discovered a little cafe just north of the Ohio toll road called [Nick's Cafe](#), and they have GREAT food (including Greek selections – YUM!!) that comes in HUGE portions at very reasonable prices. Just thought I'd give them a plug since the place is never hopping when we're in there and I would HATE to see them go out of business... Anyway, next to Nick's (well, there is an abandoned honky-tonk bar between them called Bootleggers) is an old Frank's Nursery and Crafts building that recently opened up as something called Crazy Prices. The first time we

noticed it, we were too tired to check it out, but last week we had enough energy left to go in, and it's awesome! They have a variety of wares, from groceries and household items to furniture and clothing, all at discounted prices. Like any store like this, some things you have to be careful about since there might not be much of a discount, but when we went, they had a special sale – 50% off ALL grocery items!! We ended up with about 4-64 oz. bottles of juice for the kids, lots of snacks and granola bars for school lunches, and a whole bunch of other stuff for around \$21! Plus, they give each kid a little squirt gun as a prize for “being good and letting mom and dad shop”, and they also give you a wooden token for each \$5 spent – the token is good for \$5 off your next purchase of \$10 or more! We will definitely be back! There is also a location in Bowling Green, and [if you go to their website](#), they don't mention the Toledo location but it's there on South Reynolds, just north of the tollway. Better yet, we learned that this is a Christian organization! Their mission statement: *The Vision of Crazy Prices is to see a chain of discount retail stores providing income to an ever-growing list of organizations that are supporting young people, many of whom are hungry and hurting, emotionally, physically and spiritually.*

If you are in either the Bowling Green or Toledo Ohio areas and you like clearance shopping (my husband can't get enough – we spent over an hour here last weekend and he wants to go back this weekend – no complaints out of me, I like to clearance shop too AND this gets me yet another trip to the zoo!!), check out Crazy Prices!

Smurfingly Insider Info

It's no secret that there is a big screen version in the works of the popular little blue 80's tv characters known as The Smurfs. I haven't heard much buzz about this, just enough to know that it's in development. I don't know if it's going to be live action, CGI-enhanced, or 3D (though I would guess that with the growing popularity of 3D that this might not be a bad idea). I do know that the main roles are rumored to have been cast, and this is the news that shocked me and prompted this post – [Quentin Tarantino as Brainy Smurf?!?](#) If this movie is going to be live action, this is going to be interesting... my money is going on Tarantino doing the voice-over for the character, not actually being made up as Brainy Smurf and doing the acting. Although perhaps the actors will film the movie and then be “drawn” over, ala Avatar. But however they do it, I will surely be checking it out as I was a huge fan of The Smurf's cartoon in the 80's – I even had a Smurf's record! Who can forget the toothbrush song?!? I listened to this over and over as a kid and was pleased to find it on youtube. (I would like to apologize to my friend Carol in advance – DO NOT click the video, Carol!) Oh, and by the way, they've slated Katy Perry as Smurfette, and Jonathan Winters as Papa Smurf. No word on Gargamel yet, although Neil Patrick Harris apparently has a role as a “live” character who helps the smurfs (Johan or Peewit?). And Alan Cumming is Gutsy Smurf – who the heck is Gutsy Smurf? Is this going to be a parody movie of the Smurfs, much like the Brady Bunch movies (which actually did a great job of hilariously spoofing the 70's tv show)? Staying tuned!

Just updating

I finally have internet, so hopefully, I will be writing more often. I was working two jobs for awhile, just so we could pay bills and get food. I was working at KFC with Tony and at Goodwill. Thankfully, that is over with now. I was getting very stressed and Goodwill offered one of my co-workers a promotion. She took it, which gave me her job. I would be working the morning shift which would give me close to 30 hours a week, which was what I needed! For a couple of weeks now I have been working the morning shift, but wait...there is more to my tale! I am being promoted as well! Kelsey is now head cashier and starting Saturday, I will begin my training for head cashier! That will give me at least 35 hours a week! Which definitely helps since Tony and I now have four cats in our house.

Padme is not happy with us, but I am hoping that she will calm down after a week or so. If she doesn't, they will have to go back, but she calmed down after we brought home Beru, so we are hoping that she will calm down with Darth and Chewie soon enough. I love them all, but Padme is my baby! She is so spoiled and I know it's my fault, but I cannot make myself regret what I have done with her.

In a couple of weeks, my little baby and her sister, Beru, will be getting fixed and I (and Tony) are hoping that Padme will become calmer and want to cuddle again. That is one of the things I miss from when she was a kitten. She loved to cuddle. Now, she loves to play. I have to say that that is all right too. I get plenty of picture opportunities from that. Though, of course, at the moment, she is being grumpy and anti-social.

Tony and I now have a roommate. Amie has move and is spoiling

my little babies. Not that I need any help with that any!

Well, I guess that is the main things to update, since my lap is being occupied by one of my kittens, which makes it a little difficult to type.

Ch . . Ch . . Changes... .

Hmmm, do you see the changes around you? Do they make you stop and think a bit? What to do?

Spring is a season of major change, and we are now in the first inklings of Spring. The weather seems to be getting warming. Rain is falling instead of snow. The ice and snow is melting. What to see?

I'm getting older, my children are getting older and our lives are changing. Our relationships are not what they were last year at this time. Things may or may not have gone the way we wanted. Change is there. Who do I love?

Change is all around us. Do you see the change? What changes will you make because of those changes?

Newseum – Haven For News Junkies!!

If you are a news junkie like me, then you will love this website – there are maps of the whole world, broken down into

sections. You click on dots on the map, and you can see the front page of the newspaper for that region. In many cases, you can get the pdf file of the entire newspaper! The site is updated every day, so you can see current headlines. I really like to read news from all over the country, especially places where I use to live, like Chicagoland, Lincoln Nebraska, and Rockford Illinois. And it's really interesting to see headlines from the entire world! (even though I can only read the ones in English!)

[Here is a link to the United States headlines map – enjoy!](#)
Follow links on the site to access news taking place on the entire planet!

Summer Planning

There are three shows being presented by area theatres that pique my interest. First on the list is the Village Players little three person cast play, *Miracles*. I was loaned a copy of the script and I read it twice. It is very emotional and thought-provoking with a few moments of lightheartedness. Definitely would be the most challenging show ever. It does have a little singing in it for the one male character and the teenage girl.

ACT is performing *Seussical* in July. I discussed this with my mentor and we both agreed that while it would definitely be fun, it would also be a cakewalk. It has been years since I last was in an ACT's production of *Fiddler on the Roof* and would like to one day return to their neck of the woods.

I have nothing really against *Oklahoma!* (the final show on the horizon) but it has been done so many times in HIGH SCHOOLS. I'm sorry but I really want to challenge myself with something

outside my safety zone. But I will audition for it if neither of the other two shows pan out. Plus, being the last show to audition for, I wouldn't have any other choice... trying out for no show is not an option!

Random things that crossed my mind

On Facebook

Why do I realize that my daughters are using movie quotes in their facebook statuses and almost nobody else does?

Why did I start using movie quotes as facebook statuses?

Why can't people realize we are doing this even after we told them we were?

On Numbers

Does anybody else miss comparing your count of posts with our other Tangents' bloggers? I know how many posts I have, but don't see the other numbers anymore. ☐

I wonder how many days I will have actual posts. This month I've had at least one a day. But by the time this is read by folks, there may be two cheats ☐

Did you realize that 11:58 doesn't look much different than 12:02 when you look outside and not at the clock.

I've lived more than 1/2 of a century. That is a number right?

This post has one hundred fifty words, by the word count.

I just never knew.

I've known that I have some talented daughters. Writing, art, sewing, singing and maybe a little acting thrown in there have all been some of the talents displayed by one or more daughters. Not that they would make careers of this, unless they start pushing in that direction, but a bit of talent is shown.

Now, since I've joined facebook (shudder!!!), I've been made aware of my niece's amazing talent. I wouldn't normally do this, but I need to share her link. Check the work of [Veronica Leigh on Redbubble](#).

I've put in a request for some coffee cups of some of her pictures. Guess what Christmas presents will be in 2010. I've got it all planned out now.

Forever A Lost Boy

The last few weeks have not been a good one if you were young or were related to some figure in the public eye of the 1980s.

First, it was Andrew Koenig (of *Growing Pains* fame). Last week, Marie Osmond's young son was found dead. Yet another blow in her long list of tragic events. And this morning, yet another teen figure gone astray: Corey Haim... one of the famous "Corey duo" of such 80s teen fare as *The Lost Boys*, *License to Drive*, and *Dream a Little Dream*. Sadly, Corey was always one who seemed to live life on the wild side and it finally caught up with him.

It just seems so tragic every time I hear something like this in the news. They may not have been A-list stars but many seem to fall under the allure of the old Hollywood glamour and glitz instead of focusing on their God given talent. Even more tragic is the reality that many fail to recognize or plain don't want to realize the grip that the "glamorous life" has on them until it is far too late.

I'm not sure what influence events such as this have on the public at large but someday you would think that people in similar situations would look at the tragedies and seek some form of help in dealing with it. Turning to friends, family, or God Himself for guidance. A bit of "tough love" may even help.

So, to all the Lost Ones out there, I would hope and pray that they look at these recent events learn from them, and may break free from the demons that seemingly control them.