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Last May I received the results of a blood test. It showed that my cholesterol level was high, due mostly to very high triglycerides. I must admit that I have long been a devoted follower of a belief that there are only two major food groups: Sugar, and Everything Else (with most of Everything Else being improved by the addition of Sugar).

This was devastating news. Change what I eat? I mean, I just live on coffee-flavoured sugar, cheeseburgers, cheesecake, pastries, milk chocolate. My initial thought was, I'M GONNA STARVE! I did not expect that I would retire into an eating regime of flax seeds.

And then there was the recommendation that I exercise. Ye ghods, the only thing I had ever wanted to exercise was my indignation. I was hoping that my retirement would see me spending 10 to 12 hours a day in front of my computer, not using any muscles other than those actuating my fingers.

So, based on some research, I have decided that I will have to force myself into a couple of foreign (to me) patterns of doing things under the categories of exercise and eating. Here are some of the things I will have to do:

Exercise:

1. Beating around the bush.
2. Jumping to conclusions.
3. Climbing the walls (and I will doing a lot of this).
4. Passing the buck.
5. Throwing my weight around.
6. Dragging my heels.
7. Straining my credulity.
8. Pushing my luck.

9. Making mountains out of molehills.
10. Hitting the nail on the head.
11. Wading through paperwork.
12. Bending over backwards.
13. Jumping on the bandwagon.
14. Balancing the books.
15. Running around in circles.
16. Tooting my own horn.
17. Climbing the ladder of success (nah- this is too difficult).
18. Pulling out the stops.
19. Adding fuel to the fire.
20. Putting my foot in my mouth (this can also fit under the eating category – I will probably be doing this a lot.)
21. Starting the ball rolling.
22. Going over the edge.
23. Picking up the pieces.
24. Walking a straight line.
25. Falling all over myself.
26. Rushing to the rescue.
27. Pulling my punches.
28. Pushing the envelope.
29. Rising to the occasion.
30. Running it up the flagpole.

Eating:

1. Swallowing my pride.
2. Eating crow.
3. Opening a can of worms (this can also fit under the exercise category – I will probably be doing this a lot.)
4. Eating my heart out (but *only* if I am very, very hungry).
5. Tasting defeat (but *never, ever*, tasting defeat).

Of course, I do not intend to stop exercising my indignation. m



Last issue I introduced this intriguing material from the creative mind of Thom Digby. These items are culled from various APAzines by Thom. Most of his zines consisted of comments on previous zines by other APA contributors; however, Thom always started his zines (titled Probably Something) with this non-commentary material (often called But Nots after the way he formatted his zines). Naturally, I have excised the comments, and what remains are what I have re-printed here.

PROBABLY SOMETHING

BUT NOT

HOMOSEXUALS HAVING A COPYRIGHT ON ORAL SEX AND COLLECTING ROYALTIES FROM HETEROSEXUALS WHO ENGAGE IN IT. (APA-L #528)

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GETTING GUNS OUT OF THE HANDS OF CRIMINALS BY REDEFINING “CRIMINAL” AS “PERSON WITHOUT A GUN.”

Of course that isn't the only possible way to do it - one could instead redefine “gun” so that it has that name only when in the possession of a law-abiding person, or perhaps a new definition of “hand” would suffice. But in any case the people who feel they need guns for self-protection probably