

Still Playing Catchup

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Feels like I am still playing “catchup”. I just posted the blog article that I wrote a couple of days ago and kept overnight to review next morning. Then I got all into my photos and scanning. Then before I posted I thought of all the other things I wanted to say, so here goes, the other things that crossed my mind.

It was Lisa Mestars Instagram Post to Cancer people. It got me thinking that maybe nobody really gets what I’m writing about. Maybe I really am only writing for myself. Yet I got such great ideas in the meantime.

My great ideas

As I number and catalogue each photo after scanning, it occurred to me I could write articles to each photo and then include the link in my database (DB). I am so hooked on my DBs. When I read that Microsoft is discontinuing support for Access I panicked because I have thousands of photo and video files in my lists which I am so happy that I can sort and search and find according to so many criteria.

I am now separating out the photos that I have scanned and uploaded to Synology and they can be disposed of. Of course, the original photos are mostly still a higher quality than the scans, but I don’t intend to keep all my original photos in hard form. So, I’m putting them in a box which can be used later. My grandchildren can sort through the photos and ask: What’s this Grandma? And I’ll look at the index number which I have put on the back, go to my photo file, find the description with the date, place, names of people. And now I’m thinking, I could add a field for link to article. So genius! I love it! I am so innovative. I get so many ideas. They just take a while to materialize.

The blog article I posted with the picture of me in my teens, barefoot by the tent. It could have been when I was 14 or 15. At 15 I was prescribed the contraceptive pill for my bad acne. Then I gained weight and my boobs got bigger. Well now in menopause my boobs have got bigger again and I’ve gained weight again. I love the photo of my younger self, where even my breasts are small but noticeable.

Now do I really want to include that in my public blog?

Now I’ve found another picture, could also be in Adelaide. Around the same time, judging by the hairstyle. I believe this was a shift I sewed for myself. I was quite prolific in my youth. Now as featured picture.

Astrological Traits

Back to Lisa. As she points out that Cancer waffles on and expects everyone to know what she's talking about.

Back to the photo I posted with the last blog. It could be our trip to Adelaide. That was a short camping trip, extremely hot and I was so surprised that my mother let us have ice-cream twice on one day! The Adelaide water was shockingly terrible. You can see the ladder we used for the back of the car on the ground in front of the tent. We stored everything on the roof rack when we travelled. I do have an 8mm soundless movie of that. The tent was 12×18' which means twelve by eighteen feet, approximately four by six metres.

This could be a photo that was sent to my grandparents. I really don't remember it at all. In those days, we couldn't scan or reproduce photos without taking the negatives back to the photoshop and paying for reprints. Interestingly it is already a colour photograph. I scanned a number of albums and am still working my way through all the photographs. Of my own photos, I kept painstaking records of film and negative number. When I first started to learn about Access databases, my first question to the trainer, was how to organize a file for my photos. (By the way, he had no answer.) I've been working on it ever since and as mentioned above, want to extend it now with a link to further information, which I'll probably store on Synology.

I'm so happy now that I can include links to Synology on my DBs.

Transitions

Back to Lisa and Codes of Life. Last week during the Codes of Life (CoL) EXPERIENCE week, I discovered why I am so passionate about transitions. I am hooked on processing my photos, observing my garden, noting the changing times of the sunrise and sunset.

Apparently, this is a factor of my "Below the Line" 6/1 profile with arrow left. Now of course if you haven't checked out Codes of Life yet, you have no idea what I'm talking about. So, here's where I get it when Lisa says, you Cancer people think everyone should understand what you're saying.

Fact is, I'm inspired by all I've learned from CoL. I find Lisa's free offer to make as many profile charts as you like on your free account extremely generous. In fact, she's planning the next Experience Week. I admit, it did take some time and commitment, but I found it well worth it.

And I'm seriously considering doing the paid pro course to have even deeper access and develop even deeper understanding.

However, I'm still in the middle of scanning my photos.

Impulse Card



By the way, that was also one of the results of the experience week. The first impulse card I drew on day one told me to end important processes, learn from them and make room for the new. Allow myself to be led by life without expectations. It was card number 42 called growth, conclusion and release. The official English translation by Microsoft:

42. Growth, Closure & Detachment.

Finish the important processes, learn from them, and make room for something new. Let life guide you, without any expectations

Looks like this whole blog article is a plug for CoL.

I must say I feel more at peace with myself, my identity, who I am and what I am here to do. Sure, being a Cancer may be challenging for some. But hey, my other issue is our Blessing relationship, and my husband has made it this far, and we are both committed to go on for

eternity.