

THE ADVENTURES OF STORMIN NORMAN AND POODLE SKIRT PATTY



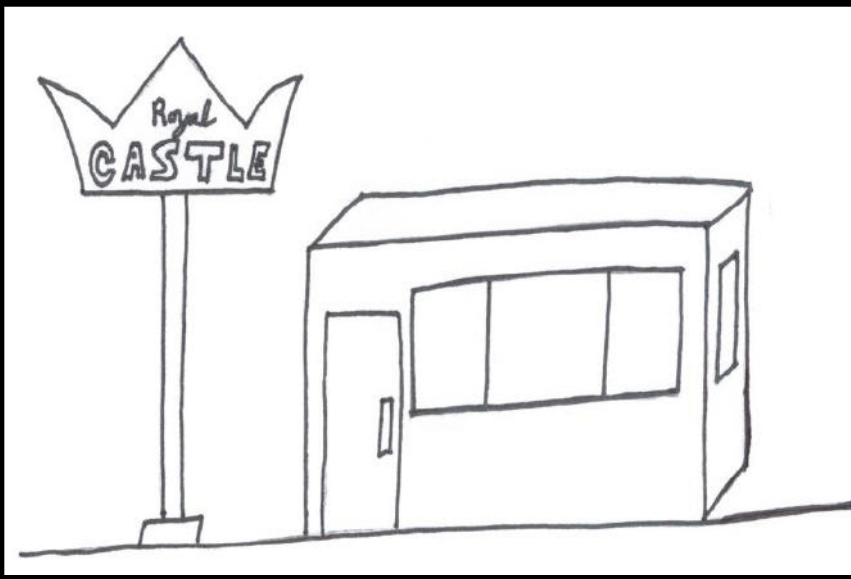
A ROMANTIC TALE INVOLVING CLEVELAND'S
BELOVED SUPERHEROES ON THE CUSP OF
THEIR 49TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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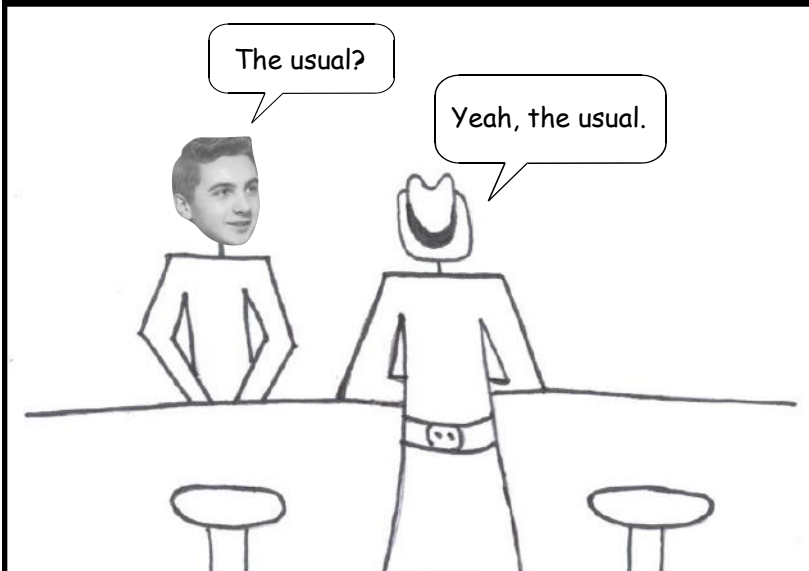
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April, 1964. Maple Heights, Ohio. Stormin Norman is flipping burgers at Royal Castle.



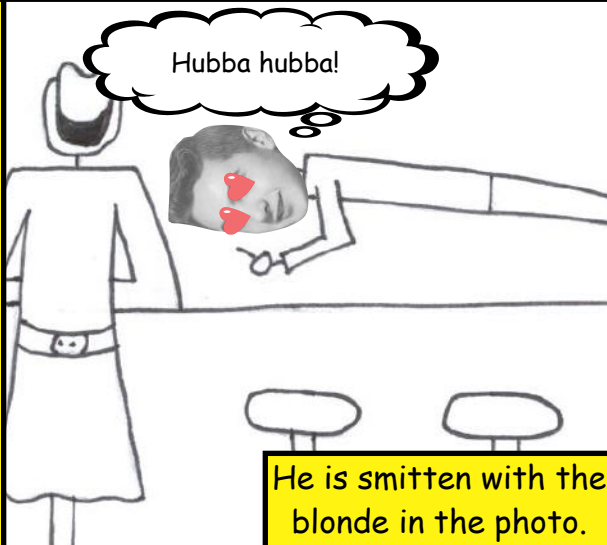
Stanley Virag plops onto a stool at the counter.



Stanley places a photograph of a young woman on the counter.



An unknown cosmic force lifts Stormin Norman off his feet and suspends him in mid-air.

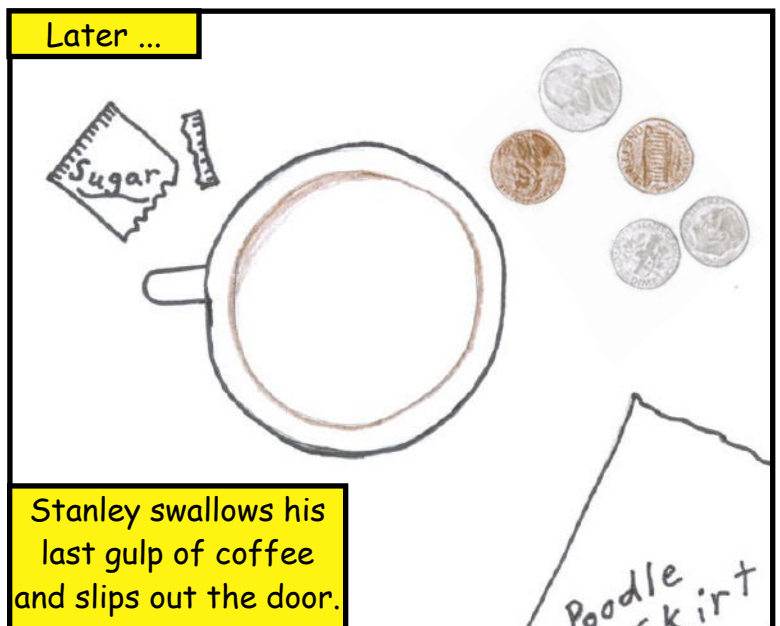
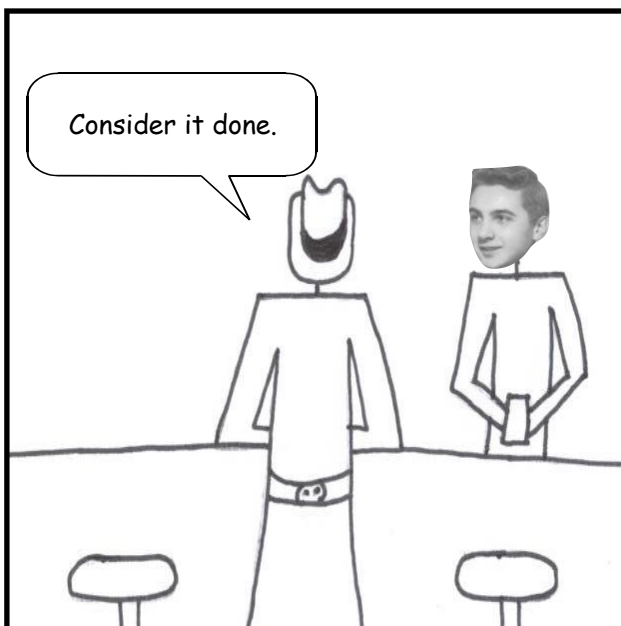


Is this Grace Kelly?

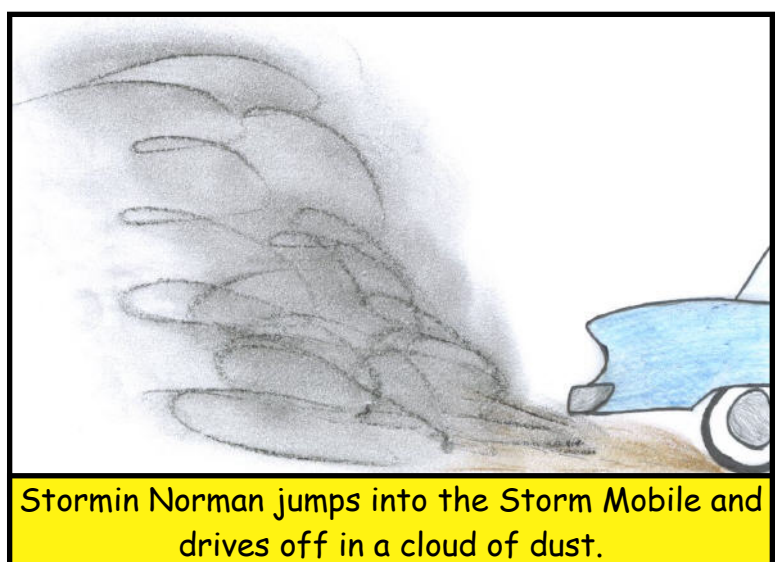
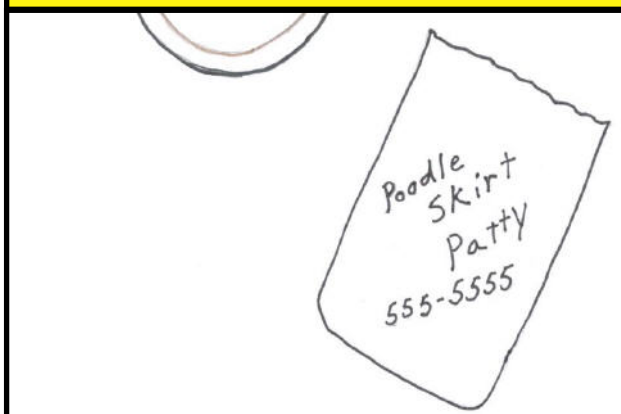
No, Stormin. That happens to be my prettiest cousin.



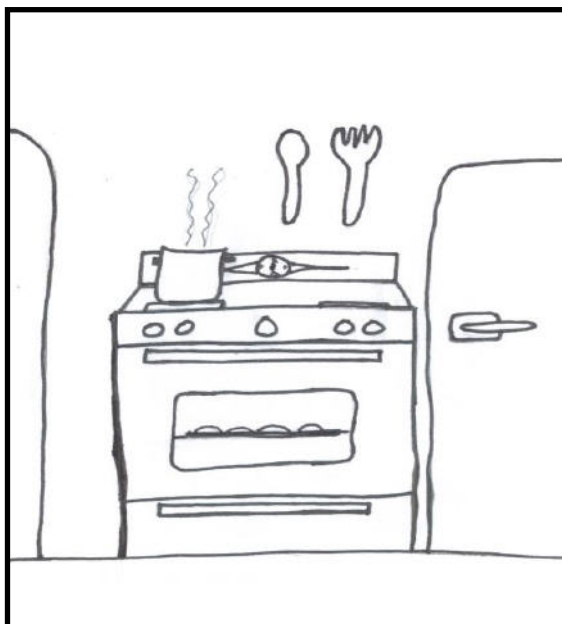
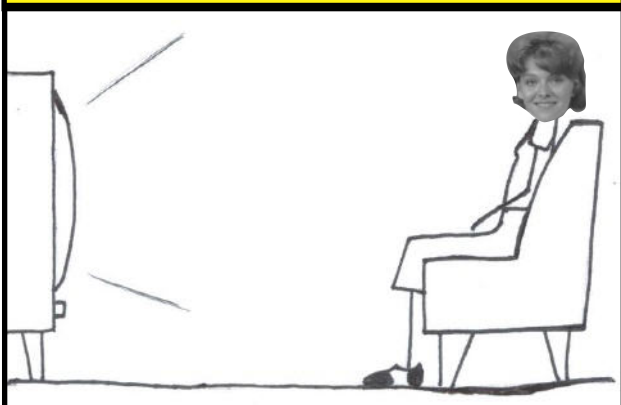
Now I know what
you're thinking.
Why is this guy
walking around with
a photo of his
prettiest cousin?



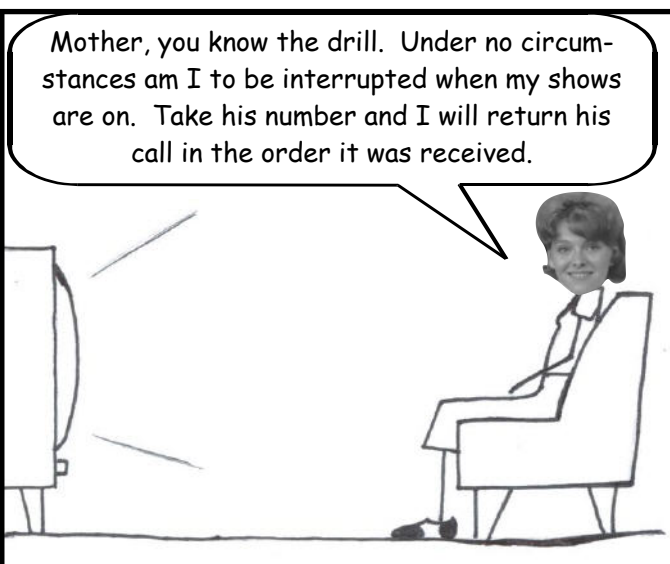
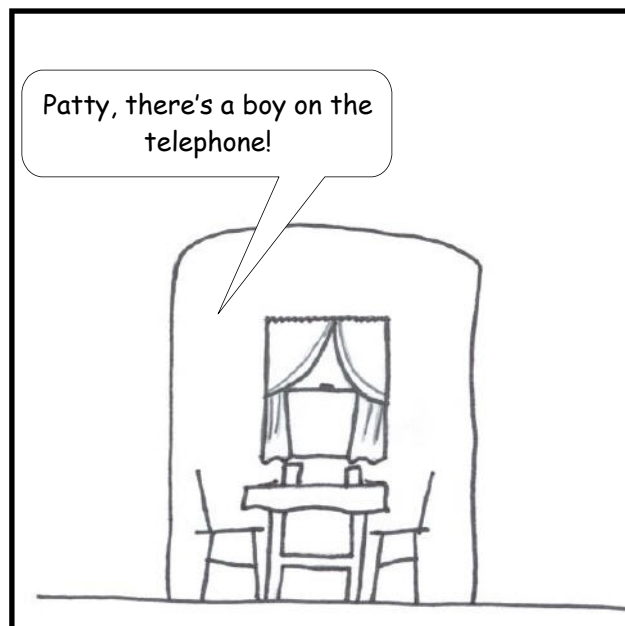
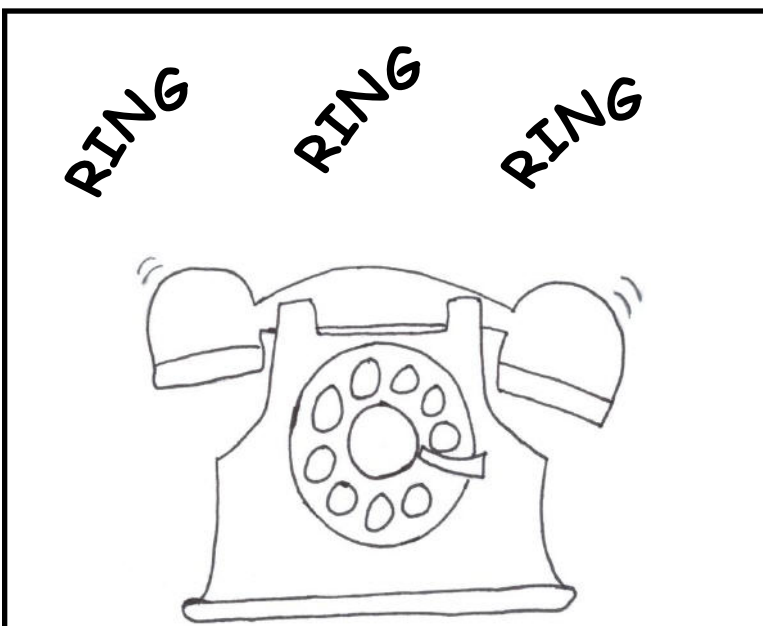
Stormin Norman runs to the counter and
finds a note with the name and number
of the blonde bombshell.



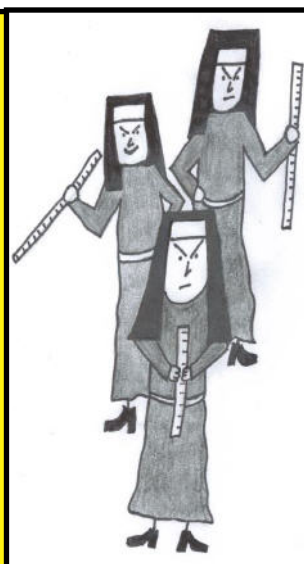
Meanwhile, Poodle Skirt Patty is at home watching *Gidget* on TV. *American Bandstand* will follow and she never misses an episode.

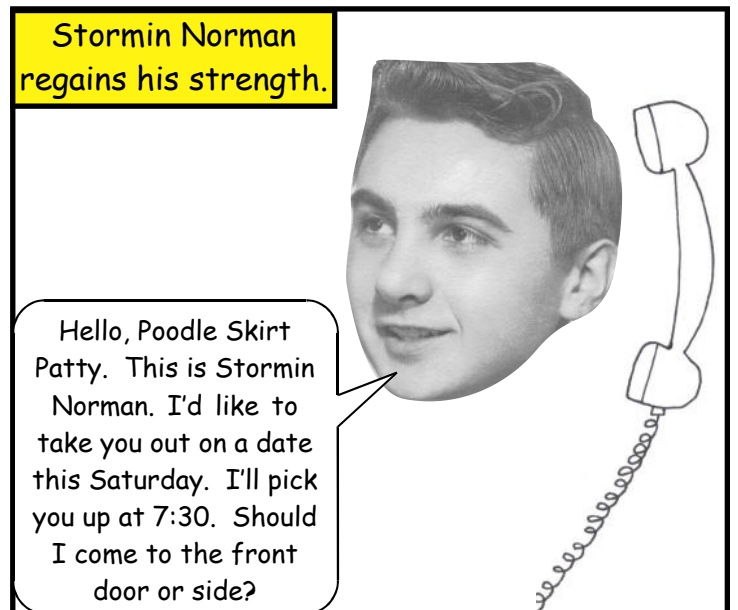
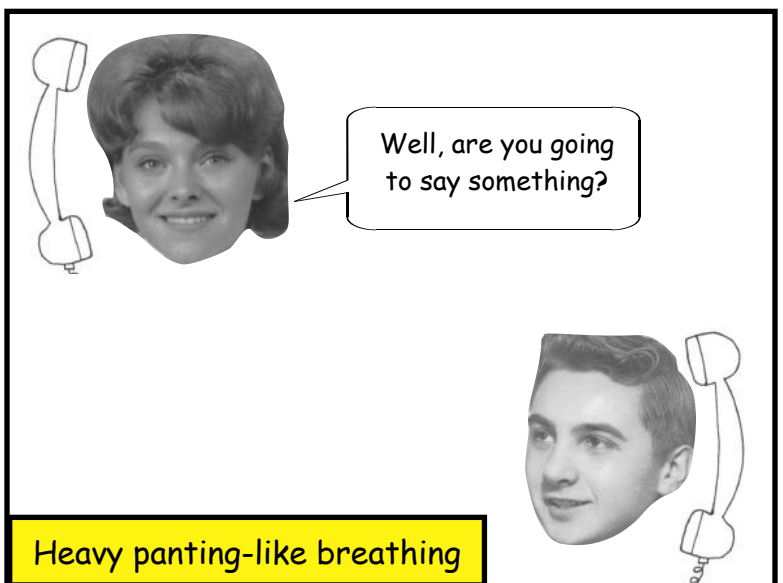
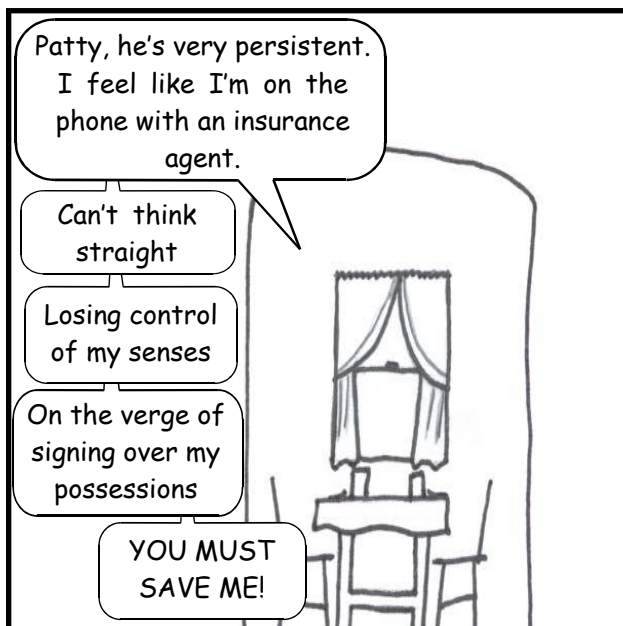


Chicken Paprikash simmers on the stove while biscuits bake in the oven. Dinner is almost ready.

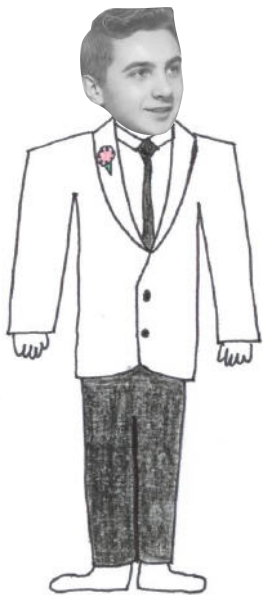


This is true. Poodle Skirt Patty attends Arch Bishop Hoban, a Catholic all-girls high school that is heavily populated with ruler wielding nuns who have taken vows to turn young girls into women worthy of one day joining The Order. She needs time to unwind before supper.



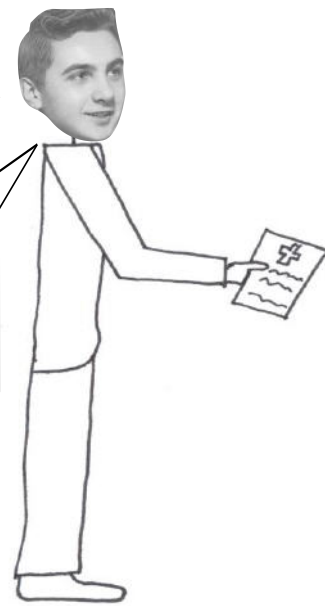


Saturday,
7:30 PM.
Stormin
Norman
arrives at
Poodle Skirt
Patty's
front door
wearing a
white sport
coat and a
pink
carnation.



He assures her
parents that his
intentions are
sincere and
that he is
indeed Catholic.
He even
provides
documentation.

As you can see,
I am indeed
Catholic. Here
are my
Baptismal,
First
Communion and
Confirmation
documents.



Poodle Skirt Patty
saunters down the
stairs. Her
ravishing good
looks steal his
breath away
proving, once and
for all, that even
superheroes
become vulnerable
in the presence of
natural beauty.

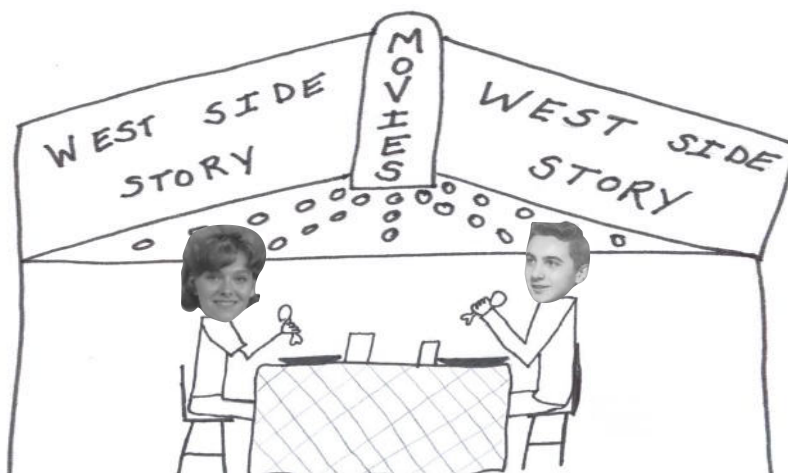
To the Storm
Mobile?



To the Storm
Mobile.



They enjoy a chicken dinner on Northfield Road and take in a movie at Stillwell Theatre in Bedford.



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Stormin Norman and Poodle Skirt Patty Get Hitched

Throngs turn out for
mass and reception

St. Wenceslas Church was the
site of the happiest occasion of
the year. "We couldn't be happier."



On June 19, 1965 Stormin
Norman and Poodle Skirt Patty
join forces to form one of the
most loving relationships known
to mankind. Throughout their
lives, they work hard to make
the world a better place.
And they make babies. More
than enough to fill a
basketball team.

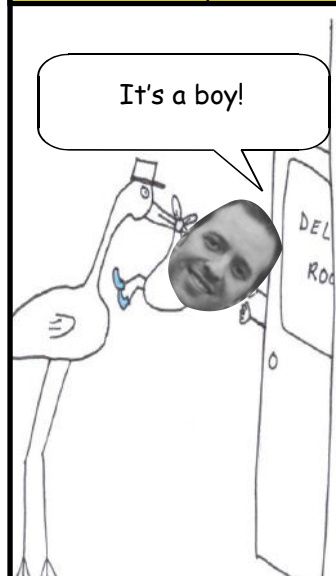
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March 31, 1967



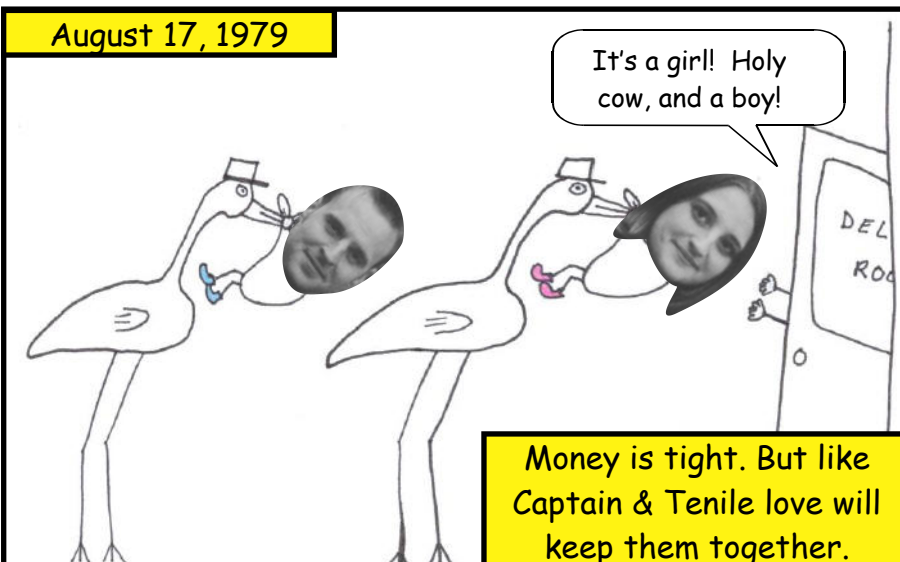
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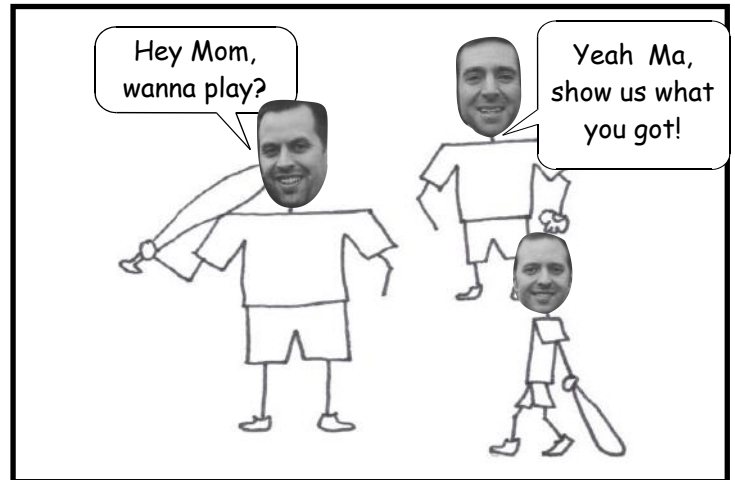


One might think that because
Stormin Norman and Poodle
Skirt Patty are superheroes
they possess supernatural
powers. Think again my
superhero friends. They
encounter all sorts of
obstacles out there. But like
all good parents they rise to
the challenge.

Let us journey back to some memorable moments in the lives of these extraordinary mortals.

Twinsburg, Ohio (circa 1976): "The Catch"

Norm, Jr. and Mike are playing baseball in the front yard with friends. Two-year old Patrick is pulling double-duty as bat boy and right fielder. Poodle Skirt Patty wanders out to the yard to check on her young boys.



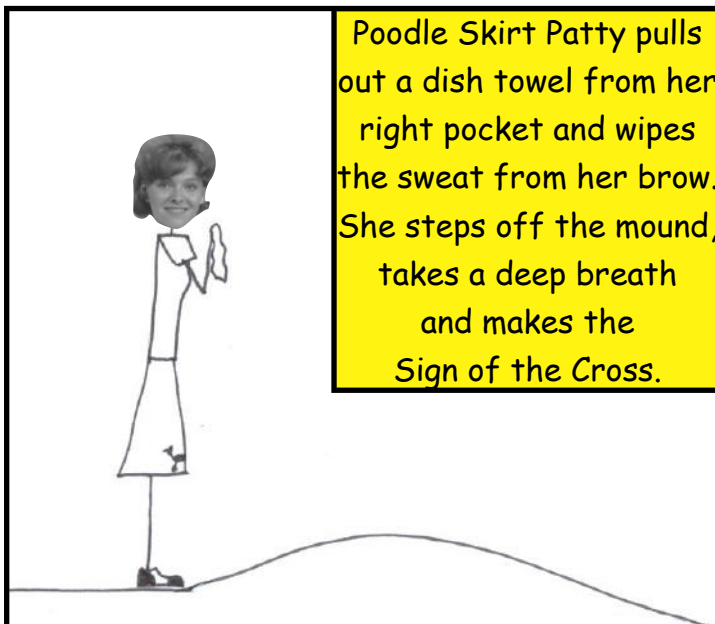
The boys need a pitcher, not the belly itcher named Mitch who picks his nose. The boys, including strong hitting Mike "The Menace" Sajovie, assume the dainty lass pushing 30 will be no match on the mound to their lightning bat speed.



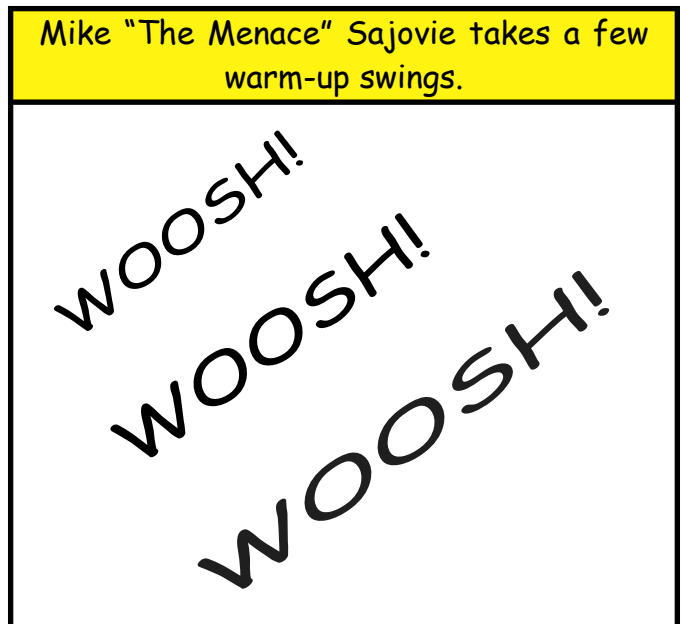
Poodle Skirt Patty retires the first two batters easily.

But to the plate strolls one of the most revered hitters on all of Mortus Drive. A man-child who chops down trees and splits logs with his bare hands. That is, when he isn't sending baseballs into orbit or wooing college women from Twinsburg State.

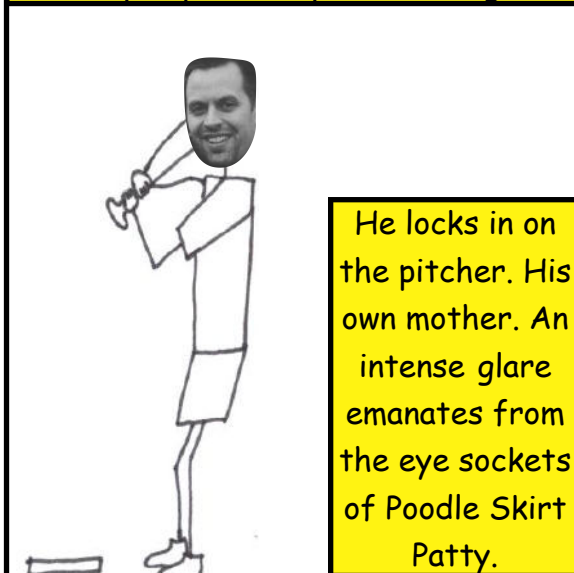




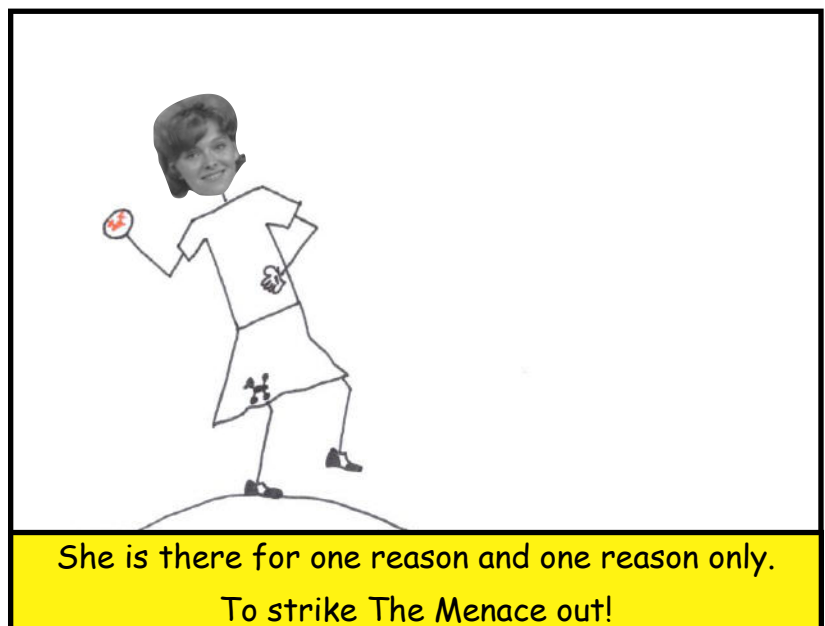
Poodle Skirt Patty pulls out a dish towel from her right pocket and wipes the sweat from her brow. She steps off the mound, takes a deep breath and makes the Sign of the Cross.



He steps up to the plate and digs in.



He locks in on the pitcher. His own mother. An intense glare emanates from the eye sockets of Poodle Skirt Patty.



She is there for one reason and one reason only. To strike The Menace out!

She winds up and unleashes pitch one with all her fury.



Mike never sees it coming.



The pitch lands with a thud inside the catcher's glove. It produces enough smoke that eyewitnesses from neighboring Macedonia suspect a five-alarm fire. They send out 25 members of Company 11 to investigate.

Mike "no longer the menace he thought he was but still a darn good-looking kid" Sajovie goes out to the mound to borrow Poodle Skirt Patty's dish towel so *he* could wipe the sweat from his brow.



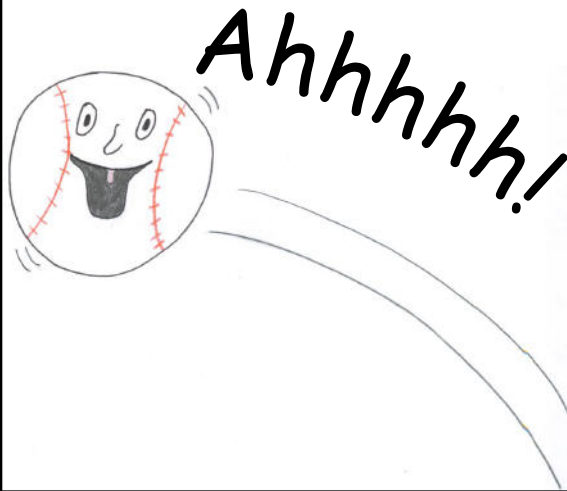
Mike returns to home plate and digs in once more.



Poodle Skirt Patty winds up and unleashes another pitch.



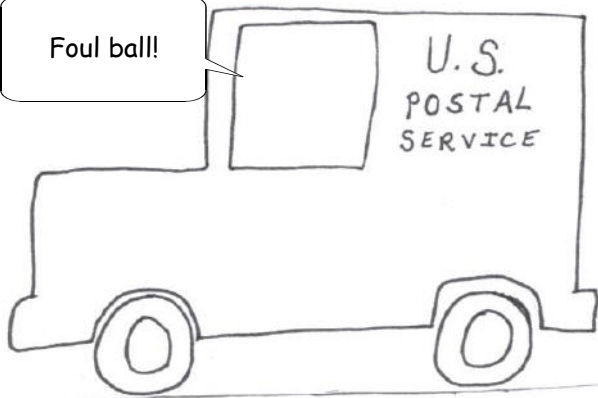
Mike swings hard and sends the ball WAY, WAY, WAY...



back behind home plate and into the woods.

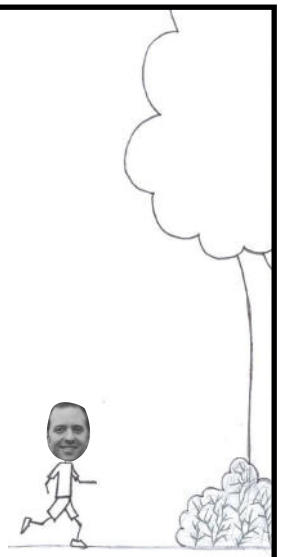


Foul ball!

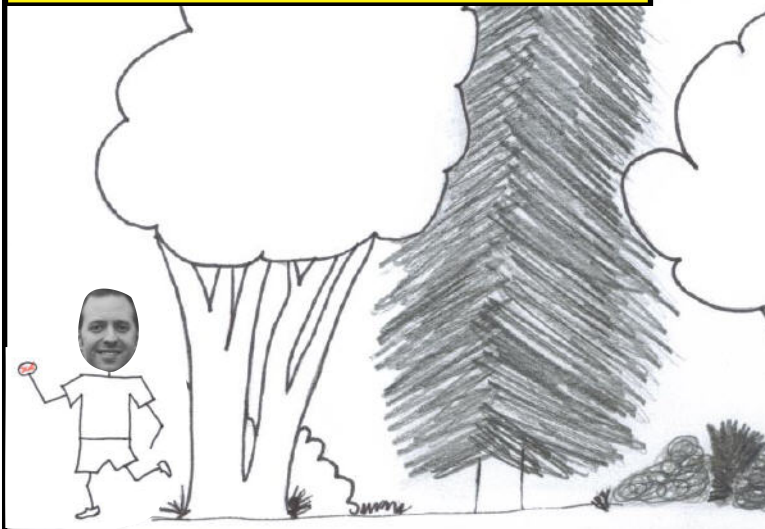


Even the mailman takes a break from his route to watch this summer classic unfold.

Patrick is summoned from right field to go into the woods and find the ball. A stick of gum is his going rate for a job like this. Well worth the price considering the woods are crawling with prickly bushes and poison ivy.



Seconds later, Patrick emerges with baseball in hand.



He takes the ball to Poodle Skirt Patty and plops it in her glove.

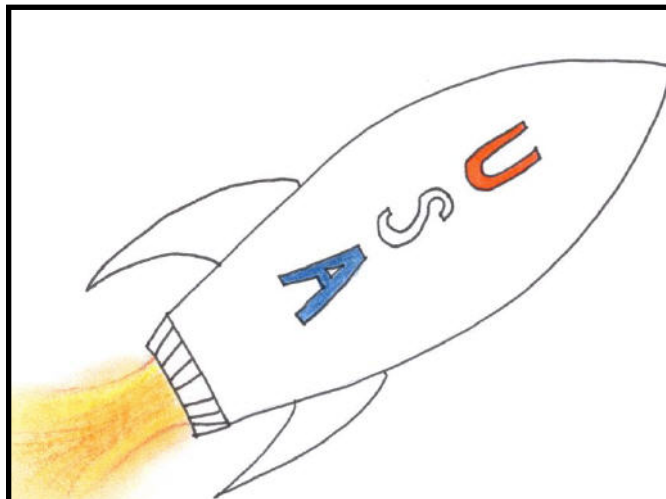
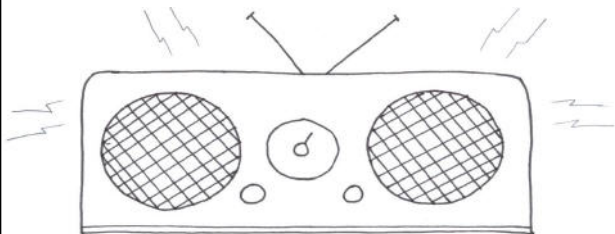


Patrick heads back out to right field.

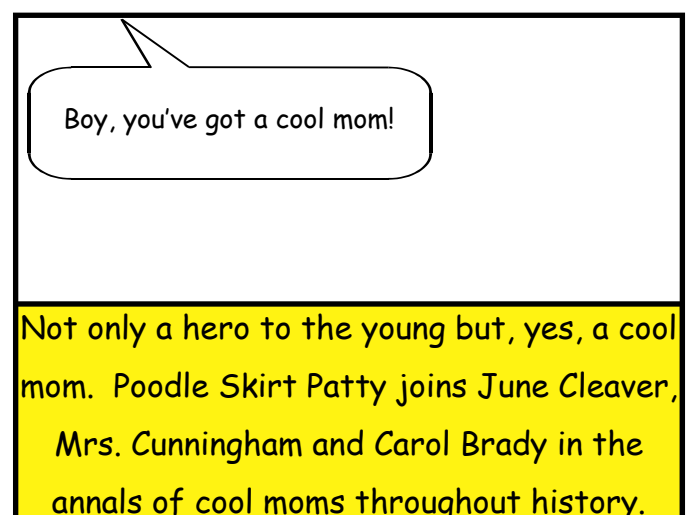
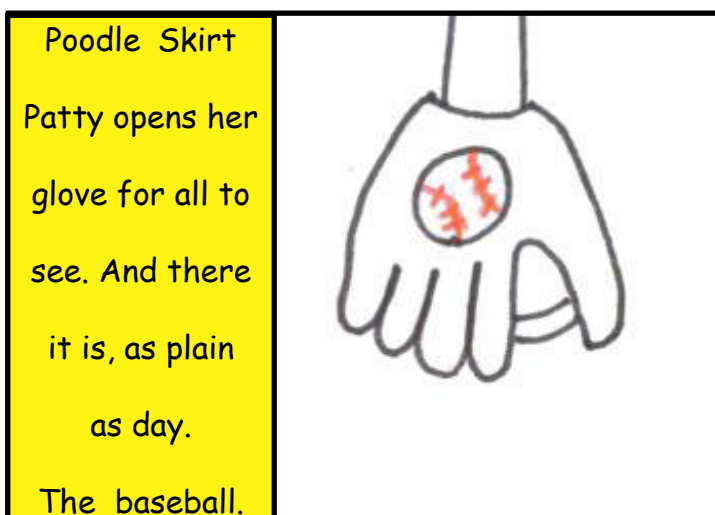
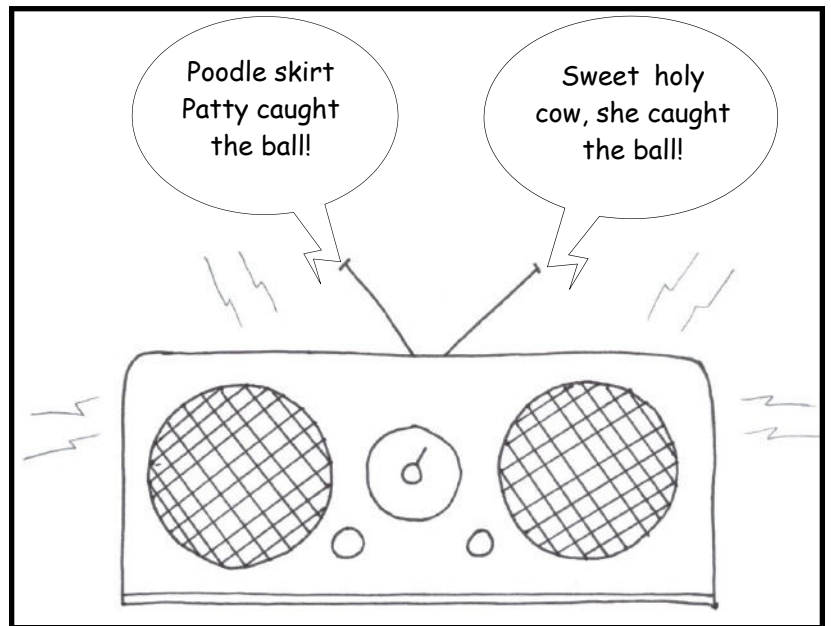
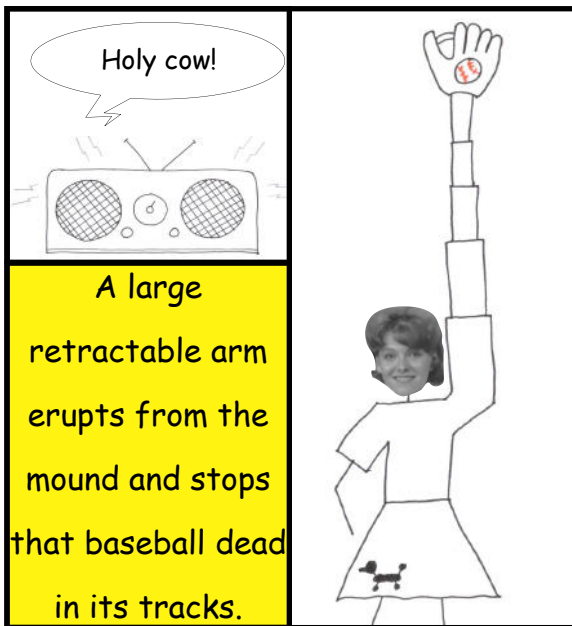
Poodle Skirt Patty winds up.

She throws the mother of all fastballs.

Mike closes his eyes and swings with all his might.



Houston we have lift-off!



Ready for some math, boys and girls? Let's see. Grades K-12 x 6 kids. Lots of brand new text books. Lots of teachers strict requirements to have them covered, or else!

And of course, the sons (and daughter) always wait until Sunday night at 8 to inform Poodle Skirt Patty that all 16 of their text books need to be covered in time for homeroom tomorrow.

16 text books x 6 kids = 96 brown paper grocery bags



Later ...



Much later ...



Finally ...



Meanwhile, in the master bedroom ...

Patty, are you coming to bed or what?

Can't wait 'til these kids move out already!

Poodle Skirt Patty works into the wee hours of the morning covering all 96 books. Talk about a superhero. Bring on the financial aid forms!

Stormin Norman is no slouch in the parenting department either.

Being a true role model to the young, he never partakes in the devil's drink. But he cares so much about his kids bumps and bruises that he keeps a bottle of "Miracle Booze" around.

He received the bottle of "Miracle Booze" from his karate instructor.

That's right, boys and girls. Even superheroes need to practice self-defense to ward off evil villains and keep the world safe.



Get a bump or a bruise and Stormin Norman will apply it to the hurt area and boo-boo all gone!



Side effects may include smelly pores, vomiting, dehydration, blood-shot eyes, headache, severe shaking and the occasional urge to swear at complete strangers and tell friends over and over again in a loud voice how much you love them.

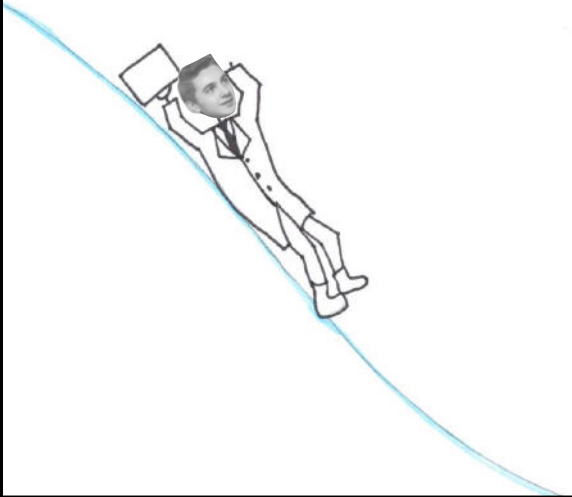
Stormin Norman gives sound advice and survives bone crushing falls, dangerous lawnmowers and pit bull attacks in a single bound! No man east of the Mississippi battles gravity, outdoor equipment and large canines like Stormin Norman.

Here we see Stormin Norman falling in knee-deep snow drifts, on East 93rd and Miles, while performing admirably in his job as a life insurance agent.

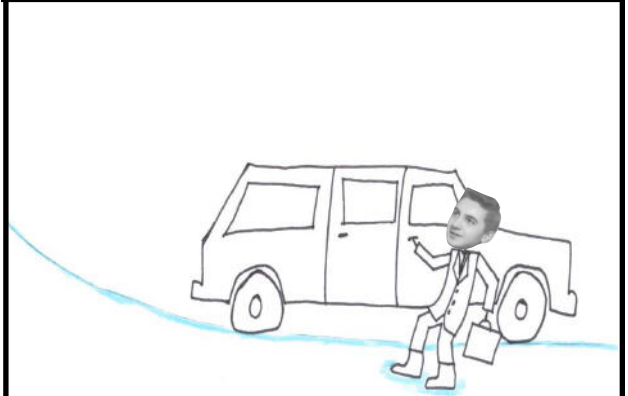


Amazingly no policies were damaged or lost. We wish we could say the same about his eyeglasses which were in his back pocket at the time.

Later that day he slides like an Olympic bobsledder down the slope of an icy driveway.



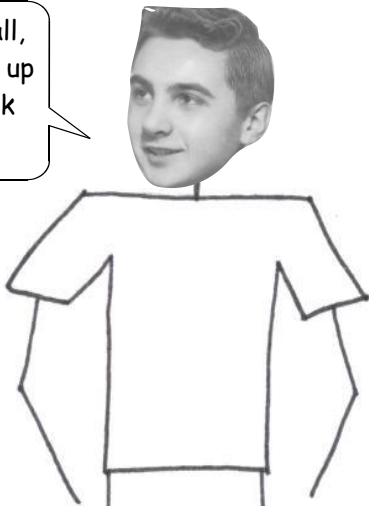
Only to get back on his feet by hoisting himself up with the handle of the family station wagon,



before falling again.

You name it, Stormin Norman has fallen on or around it. But he teaches us a valuable lesson:

When you fall, pick yourself up and get back out there!



And if you fall too many times, keep a bottle of miracle booze on hand.



Stormin Norman is the reason why power tools have warning signs. Watch as he attempts to remove grass from the blades of this lawnmower while it is still running.



Thanks to this stunt, consumers now find oodles of safety regulations inside the boxes of every lawnmower manufactured and sold worldwide. Stormin Norman nearly loses a limb to make the world a safer place!

Superman has Lex Luthor.



Batman has The Joker.

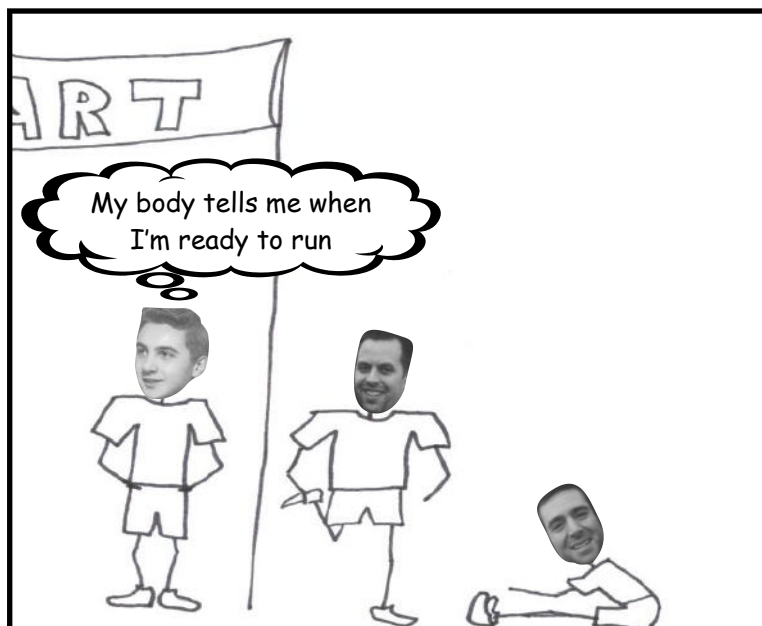


Stormin Norman has Sugar Ray,



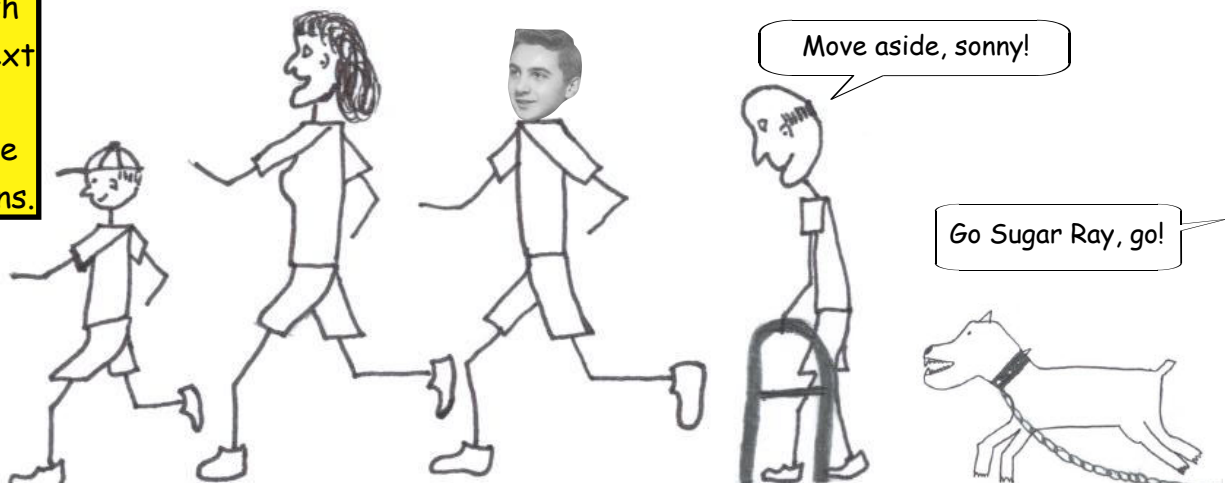
a pit bull with a head like Mount Everest and teeth like railroad spikes.

But even severe dog bites can't keep this superhero from competing in local road races with his sons. Mini-marathons he calls them. 5K, 5 mile and 10K races. Never trains, never stretches.



Entry fees earn him loads of t-shirts and free post-race snacks.

He jokes with clients the next day about running these mini-marathons.



Old men passed me. Children passed me. Old ladies passed me. But I finished and I had fun!

From that first date through all the birthdays, bumps, bruises, sports and graduations, they continue to make the world a better place. And like many grandparents, Stormin Norman and Poodle Skirt Patty find new and interesting ways to stay busy.

Check back, some day, for another episode of

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In
*The Lucky Slot
Machine*

