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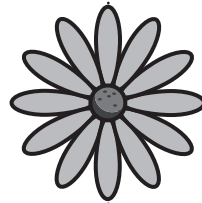
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In My Opinion

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If I say the name Yakov Smirnoff, what do you think of? A Russian standup comic from the 1980s with a distinctive suck-in laugh (like a braying donkey) and catchphrase of “What a country!” The movie with Robin Williams, *Moscow on the Hudson*? The entertainer who played to over 4 million fans over 20 years in his theater in Branson, MO?

Yes to all of the above and then some. But did you know the Soviet-born American-citizen funny man is also an artist? A scholar? And a professor?

Yakov got his Master’s degree in psychology at the University of Pennsylvania in 2006 under the tutelage of Dr. Martin Seligman, who is considered the “father of positive psychology.” Yakov is also an adjunct professor at Missouri State University teaching the neuroscience of happiness and laughter.

We recently met Yakov at the AATH humor conference in San Diego. He was hilarious, delightful, and insightful. Besides being warm and witty, Yakov Naumovich Pokhis is also wise. Someone can be intelligent and educated, i.e., “smart,” but not be in touch with their inner wisdom. Yakov is. His waters run deep.

He also expresses his creativity and emotions via paint on canvas. Yakov was born in Odessa, Ukraine, then part of the Soviet Union. He was an art teacher and comedian in Odessa. When he came to the US with his parents in 1977, never could he imagine that one day he would be chatting with Johnny Carson on national television or be asked to write jokes for



By
**KELLY
SIMMONS**
Columnist

Ronald Reagan.

Yakov became an American citizen on July 4, 1986. He wore a tux and held a small Statue of Liberty. When the towers crumbled on September 11, 2001, he watched as we all did in horror and shock. He painted his pain into a painting with one brush stroke for each of the victims.

This work, called “America’s Heart,” was transformed into a large mural (\$100,000 cost paid by Yakov) and hung by sixty volunteers from the Sheet Metal Workers Union on a damaged building next to the ruins of the World Trade Center on the first anniversary of the attacks. Yakov did not put his name to the mural and signed it instead: *“The human spirit is not measured by the size of the act, but by the size of the heart.”*

You can order a print at www.yakov.com. Paul Harvey also featured the tale of this anonymous piece of art on an edition of “The Rest of the Story” thus revealing the artist to be Yakov.

After Yakov’s divorce in 1999, he started to dive in to the psychology of love, and hence his foray into academia. His current comedy tour is called “Happily Ever Laughter: *The Neuroscience of Romantic Relationships*.” Yakov is real and accessible.

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Currently earning his Ph.D. in Psychology and Global Leadership at Pepperdine University, Yakov is a man on a mission. His career is no longer about the foreigner being a newbie in the US. In the words on his website, and what we experienced in the flesh, Yakov Smirnoff is “passionate about helping people extend the honeymoon stage of their relationships and “fall in love and laughter all over again.”

He knew no English when he came to this country and he has since inspired millions with his heart and his humor. In addition to writing his thesis for his doctorate, Yakov Smirnoff is touring and will be back at his own theater in Branson, MO for a limited time in the fall of 2018.

Get on a plane or make a road trip. Go. Meet him. Hear his story and his stories. You will bust a gut laughing and you’ll feel the shared sentiment to believe in your dreams, love, and the healing power of humor. And we can say it in unison, “What a country!”

Kelly Epperson has written 30+ books, some for New York Times bestselling authors, one that sold 3 million copies. As Book Coach, she has helped countless clients fulfill their dream of becoming an author. Kelly is a judge for the international Erma Bombeck Essay Competition, and she offers retreats, workshops, and one-to-one coaching/consulting on all things writing and on all things joy/personal development/spiritual growth. Visit www.kellyepperson.com and sign up for her weekly joy letter.

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April 11
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April 12
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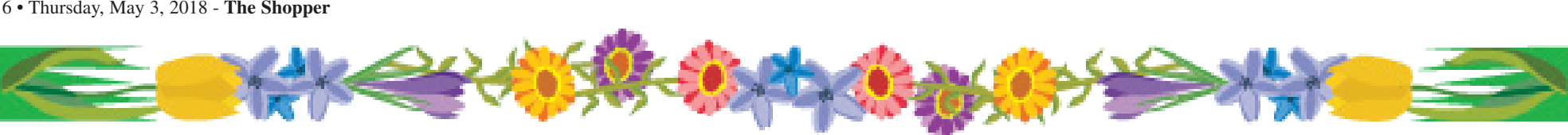


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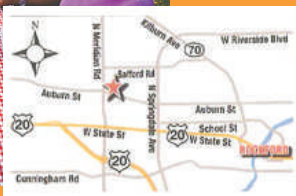
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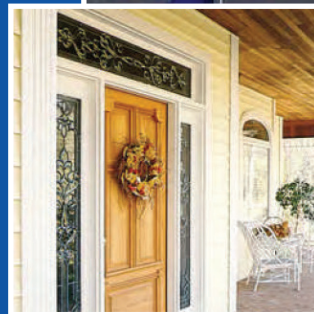
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April 11
Beulah Inness, 85; Roseann Madison, 90; Janice Palmar, 74; Barbara Mally, 79; Gary Sutherland, 72; Dale Grossen, 85; Charles Behmer, 79; John Clark, 78; Troy Garza, 24; Dale Nord, 87; Dwight Siedschlag, 61

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