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From Lake Waccabuc to Omotesando

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Dedication and Acknowledgments.

To Alice H. Cook, Professor Emerita of the Cornell University School of Industrial and Labor Relations. Dr. Cook established and became the first University Ombudsman. Alice Cook House at Cornell is named after Professor Cook. Thirty seconds with Professor Alice Cook after class in the Ives Hall hallway, and events that followed, totally changed my life.

To our mini dachshund, “Sausage” who also runs by the names of Luna, Luna-Tuna, Lu, Lu-chan, Huna, Hu, Hu-chan, Pu, Chibi (runt), Chib, Honey-Bunny etc. German bald-eagle like vision to gradual blindness from age 3. Into a dark, pitch-black world from 5 or 6 years old. Her genki/cheerful, and indomitable spirit, and hardness of skull are a constant inspiration—yet never a murmur or yelp. When about 5 years old, a painful hernia led to a full-length, top of the spine operation which the Vet said “may leave her paralyzed—often does, sorry.” First day home Lu-chan stood up once and fell down—otherwise dragged herself with her front feet most of the day. Second day, took 5 steps once and fell; third day about 15 steps during the day. Within 3 weeks Lu-chan was running after her bell-attached pink ball. This little doggie has love, loyalty, feels loneliness, guilt, protects and has a soul. Pope John Paul II said animals have souls, and “are as near to God as men are”. Now Pope Francis makes a lot of us feel good, because “paradise is open to all God’s creatures”. (But I’m no Vegan. Will eat just about anything on 2 legs, 4 legs, or fins. Maybe that’s wrong. The only thing that

makes humans special is the ability to talk, teach and organize better—exponentially building upon one breakthrough after another. And that’s only because some apes “made a move” out of the comfortable, verdant and fertile jungles, to the dry, open savannahs, and then up north. They learned to stand up and run between trees. They needed arms free to carry things, throw rocks, and 1 or 2,000,000 years later, spears. Wanderlust- types like me or refugees of bullies learned to cope with cold, harsh and barren Northern climates.

To Rocky, Rambo, Bill Murray, Ken Takakura and Bunta Sugawara (both deceased in November, 2014), Rekha, Chow Yun-fat, Susanne Barth, Takeshi Kitano, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Sean Connery, Chieko and Mitsuko Baisho, Gerard Depardieu, Tatsuya Nakadai, Omar Sharif, Morgan Freeman, Sayuri Yoshinaga, Michael Caine, Christopher Walken, Toshiyuki Nishida, Jean Reno, Clint Eastwood, Shinichi/Sonny Chiba, Giancarlo Gianni, Harrison Ford, Kin’ya Kitaoji, Sophia Loren, Alain Delon, Togo Igawa, Steven Seagal (my son Johnny and I shook his hand thanks to Bill Ireton), Mel Gibson, Anthony Hopkins, Antonio Fagundes, Meryl Streep, Albert Filozov, Bruce Willis and Michael Douglas (both sometimes in Bedford Village—my H.S. movie date spot), Fanny Ardant, Richard Geer (who runs an inn and restaurant also in nearby Bedford Village), Nikita Mikhalkov, Paul McCartney, Aharon Ipale, Jackie Chan, Mick Jagger and his buddies—Keith Richards (in Waccabuc), Amitabh Bachchan, Rutger Hauer, Anthony Sher, and Sting—all old enough to kick back a notch or two. They are rich, and they don’t have to keep trying and working but they do. During these 43 years, I missed all the USA etc. TV shows, but caught pretty much all the movies (not dubbed in Japanese but subtitled) in the Tokyo movie houses. I hope many of us will want to keep working to keep contributing to the social

security programs for the younger generations. So good jobs to the youngest and oldest people too!

Thanks and acknowledgement to the many others who will appear in this book. And to so many more friends, supporters and teammates. I don't usually name drop. But we all can identify with the more well-known people, those stories, that history. This book is meant to be a surprise, and hopefully a gift to them. So they don't know it is coming. I didn't talk with them about the stories, or confirm the facts with them. The responsibility lies solely with me. I can only thank my publisher for tolerating this zany and quirky format, and sometimes bizarre content. This book has no single focus. It hops topics faster than the Easter Bunny on a bad speed trip. I want it to appeal to many people with different interests. And I don't want to rant on about the same subject too long without providing a break. It is primarily aimed at my two totally different cultures and worlds—Japan and New York. But the rest of the world too. I'm fortunate, because so many people have touched base, or at least know something about both Tokyo, and the NYC area.

This book is written toward multiple purposes, including getting us to look back to our roots; consider a move or change; increase Japan's sinking population; encourage inbound tourism and investment in real estate and business everywhere (instead of corporations sitting on their cash!); but also, hopefully particularly in my home grounds, the Tokyo and the NYC area, as an aid to encourage foreign language learning; and to make a bigger difference in Japan and other countries by passing on my human resource and labor consulting know-how. Working with strong parties we hope to combine better human resource management with helping corporations with their M & A, or start-ups. We also want to make it easier for foreign corporations to purchase industrial, or commercial

property in Japan. And to make it easy for wealthy non-Japanese-speaking foreigners to be able to understand, and seamlessly purchase luxury residential homes, or very upscale condominium properties in Tokyo and Japan.

I hope there are others like me who don't like to spend much time on the same topic! Leonard da Vinci, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Edison, and Dr. Yoshiro Nakamatsu "Dr. NakaMatsu" who holds over 4,000 patents) also lacked a single focus. After finishing the book, I felt it fair to George Bush Jr., to look into what lead up to the USA wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. What I discovered was shocking and sickening. I think sometimes we must lead, rather than trust and follow our leaders.

Any scholarship within this book is half-baked, and combined with a spice of raw intelligence. I did not want to overcook this feast with footnotes. I have almost never looked at a footnote. Instead of footnotes in the back that no one sees, I sometimes tried to give credit right where the credit was due. Other than that...

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And of course most of all, I am forever indebted to my family, and to my many wives (two marriages) for all their help, and for moulding me into my many shapes.

Despite the uncanny, remarkable resemblance, and shared swashbuckling lives, my mother's recurring stories and ample evidence that I am related to Clark Gable did not appear in this text.

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on the front cover of this book!

To check out more of his work, visit:
<http://www.mikebastincreative.com>

Also a special thank you to Annie Gullen, two years older than me at my John Jay High School. She 'stayed put' in my hometown. Before marrying big brother Jack Gullen, Ann Longridge Hayden was Secretary of her class freshman and junior year, and Secretary of the Student Council senior year. Also a Campus Queen candidate and cheerleader, and much more!

Annie's many pictures of Waccabuc, our hometown schools, Lewisboro and John Jay, and the Fifth Division Market, are on the book's website at www.thomasnevins.co.uk, and on the book's 1' 30" video/trailer on YouTube. Please take the visual tour!



Lucky Settings, Unlucky Settings: People, Places, and Events that are the Atoms of Our Lives and Our World

1. Roger Stone (The Stone Zone), the most powerful strategist and ‘self-admitted hitman’ usually for the GOP/ Republican Party, was my high school Student Council President election Campaign Manager. Roger went on to topple NYS Governor Eliot Spitzer in an escort scandal. Mr. Stone also stopped the Florida vote recount, probably resulting in Vice President Al Gore losing the presidential election to Bush Jr. Changed history.
2. Were we hoodwinked by Bush Jr. and Dick Cheney’s pre-determined decision to invade Iraq, leading to ISIL/ISIS, the Islamic State? Watch and listen to them on YouTube. Read their words and study the facts. You be the judge. Unfortunately Tony Blair, with his Oxford English, sounded intelligent, and gave cover and credibility to this continuing human and economic tragedy.
3. Like me, if the USA Senators and Congressman drove from Earls Court, London to Katmandu as part of a 7-month trip around the world, and saw the hippy’s head on a stake in Afghanistan, I hope they would not have voted to send an army even into Afghanistan. Didn’t Russia get bloodied and beaten there? Remember how much the colonials appreciated British boots in Boston?
4. If Bush Jr. comes to town, should Mayor Boris Johnson follow through on his words, and have a couple of London Bobbies arrest Bush Jr. as a war criminal? Hah-hah-hah?

5. President Reagan had class and intelligence. He turned the other cheek, and cut our losses after 241 marines were killed in the Beirut barracks bombing. Reagan got out of the Middle East. Did not go recklessly diving in.
6. Change of pace. Where are the tallest mountains and largest lakes in the world? How many peaks are taller than Japan's Mount Fuji? Which lake has 20% of the world's fresh water? More of it than all the water in all 5 of North America's Great Lakes combined. Which lake, and its shores, have about 1,150 species of plants and animals found nowhere else?
7. What inland body of water has no outflow, is 27 meters/92 feet below sea level, has one-third the salinity of the ocean (1.2%), and 3.5 times the water volume of all 5 of North America's Great Lakes? What is the longest river that drains 20% of greater Europe? What is the highest 'mountain' in my Westchester County above NYC?
8. Bobby Reich, 'the genius', famous author, President Bill Clinton's Secretary of Labor, got his Senior High and my Junior High Student Councils together once a month. Mr. Reich was a great student leader, with a big heart, in a rather short body (1.49 meters/4.88845 feet).
9. Like me and my brother Art, Donald Trump made his boys chop down trees, mow the lawns, and shovel the snow. His estate overlooking nearby Byram Lake was 57.5 times larger than our Lake Waccabuc home of 4 acres/4,900 tsubo/16,170 square meters/177,870 square feet. "No drugs, no cigarettes, and no alcohol!!" And probably not much talking back to The Donald. It worked! So Mr. Trump's kids can run his business while he runs for President. Manhattan, and other NYC residents drink Byram Lake, and Lake Waccabuc water—after a little purification treatment.

10. Also in my hood, a Beach Boy, a Rolling Stone, Sean Combs/Puff Daddy/P. Diddy, Gwyneth Paltrow, some of my movie heroes like Bruce Willis, Michael Douglas and Richard Gere. Mr. Gere owns an Inn in Bedford—one of my high school movie date spots. He played the Professor in the *Hachi* (dog Hachiko) movie. Mr. Gere also plays Tora-san on Japanese TV. There were 48 full-length Atsumi Kiyoshi Tora-san movie house films from 1969 to 1995. Richard Gere has the hat, but is missing the trademark Haramaki/belly wrap or band. I sang the Otoko wa Tsurai Yo/‘It’s Tough Being a Man’ song to Atsumi Kiyoshi/Tora-san in front of my parents. It was at Haneda Airport, before there was a Narita Airport. Hen na gaijin/strange foreigner!
11. My gymnastics senpai/trainer and mentor in so many ways, Barefoot Richie—descendant of leading Judge John Hathorne at the Salem Witch Trials (1692-93) where twenty people, including 13 girls were put to death. Richie’s later born ancestor, Nathaniel Hawthorne (author of *The Scarlet Letter* etc.), added the ‘w’ to his last name to get out of the dark and gloomy shadow of the Judge. The Hawthorne Brothers ‘Tree Service’ has been dominant in the greater NYC area for tens of years. One-year-older big bro John was also a star gymnast on our team.
12. Second house down from us on the shore of Lake Waccabuc, were our good friends and high school stand-outs Jack and George Gullen. Their mother and father are both 90 years old and still going strong. Look about age 50! Father still puts out fires from the town fire truck! The Gullen family came in from Scotland and put the Waccabuc Country Club Golf Course on the map. Also, ran the Fifth Division Market. For years, the only food and liquor store within miles.

13. Our next-door neighbor in Omotesando, Hasegawa, Kozo founded and runs www.global-dining.com, about 80 iconic restaurant chains and standalone properties. They include Gonpachi (setting for *Kill Bill* sword fight). President Bill Clinton and Bush Jr. dined there. Global Dining also operates La Boheme, Monsoon Café, Zest, LB, Tableaux, Stellato, Legato etc. We're lucky. Hasegawa-san's inner courtyard garden can also be enjoyed by us. The tree tops come up to our open fourth-floor bath. No tree climbing please!
14. Why does Bill O'Reilly on Fox News seem to be the only one on mainstream media that has the male genitalia to beat up on the likes of The Dick Cheney, and Donald Rumsfeld? Mr. Rumsfeld worked for Nixon at the White House. He was really cool and impressive when he was 39 and I was a 20-year-old White House summer intern.
15. Did you know the first non-native New Yorker wasn't Dutch, and was a man of color born in the older new world? Had the beaver all to himself, until the Dutch closed him down. Then the British came in with four gunships. They didn't have to fire. New York was born!
16. Preparing to film *Bus Stop*, Marilyn Monroe stopped by Waccabuc and married Arthur Miller there on Sunday, June 29th, 1956. I was on the Lake and was thinking of crashing. No 6-year-olds allowed in.
17. Inside story, probably: out of the apartment we recently left, adjacent to the British Embassy, and facing the Imperial Palace, the condo unit was used by the Aum Cult (Sarin Gas Subway Slaughter) to sarin gas the Emperor. Luckily the plot was discovered and foiled.

18. The boys who captured Major Andre, took off from Lake Waccabuc. This led to the discovery of the spying plot to turn the West Point Fort, and control of the Hudson River and northern colonies, to the British. The bigger spy, born in Connecticut, the battle-winning General Benedict Arnold, was saved and picked up by the British. He continued fighting as a British General against the Colonials. He kept winning battles for the British, went to live in England, and was given a State Funeral in the U.K.
19. Twelve years after WWII ended, I gallantly harassed the cows and bulls of President Roosevelt's wartime Vice President. Henry Wallace was the USA's number two WWII leader. Years later, chased by his grudge-bearing bulls, I ended up across the Pacific!
20. My high school (later Harvard PhD) honey's granddaddy, an industrialist in China, flew his own planes to fight the Japanese for Chiang Kai-shek. Then he fought with Chiang against Mao Tse-tung/Mao Zedong. He was a founder of the John Birch Society, and much more. Helped launch Senator Joe McCarthy's fight against commies in the USA film industry etc. Grandpa also helped young Richard Nixon get going.
21. Twelve years later my Beauty Queen girlfriend with a Stanford PhD., had us go to a Las Vegas show with a couple from her Las Vegas high school. Bob Miller was the longest serving Governor in Nevada's history. Like Bill Clinton, now living in nearby Chappaqua, N.Y., Mr. Miller was Chairman, of the National Governors Association.
22. A lucky encounter after the huge New Year's Eve show at the Manila Hotel, led us to making homemade sushi

in Tokyo for Mr. Gary Valenciano. He was 21. Gary has continued to be the top star—“the Michael Jackson of the Philippines”. Great song writing, singing, dancing, and more recently film screen star. A great and humble man, also famous for his charity, and being the first UNICEF Philippines National Ambassador.

23. Princes William and Harry, your mother, Princess Diana, returned my wink, shook my hand, and answered my question. Your father, Prince Charles, was also with us. I kept my hand in a plastic bag when showering. Only stopped last year.
24. I was assigned to my straight desk job, the morning ‘the Blacks’ took over Willard Straight Hall at Cornell University (the first dedicated student union building in the USA). It was the first time there were students with guns on a USA college campus.
25. What do you do to escape a charging, attacking, hungry, and greatly displeased grizzly bear in Alaska? Or anywhere I guess.
26. Nearby Yoyogi Park was Japan’s first airstrip. A Tokugawa (Shogun’s family) was the first pilot. Then the park became an 827-house suburban neighborhood for the USA military. After that it became the 1964 Tokyo Olympic Athletes’ residential village.
27. The most famous Ninja, Hattori Hanzo, was given, and ruled over Harajuku, Jingumae, Aoyama, and Omotesando environs. Reward for saving the life of the General who became the first of 15 Tokugawa Shoguns. Did you know that the river under Cat Street, flows under the Tokyu Department store at Shibuya station? How many people walk across Shibuya’s scrambled intersection, the busiest

one in the world? With each light change? Per day? How many use the station's 8 train lines each day?

28. The Tom Cruise and Watanabe Ken *Last Samurai* movie pretty much followed history. Find out who the real players were. Except Tom Cruise's role was puffed up, and pretty much non-existent. He was great in the movie, though... Okubo, Toshimichi, and Saigo Takamori were the real deal: childhood, and school playmates.
29. Admiral Heihachiro Togo was educated at Cambridge, Portsmouth, and the Royal Naval College at Greenwich. Apprenticed with the British navy, it's not surprising why he shocked the world by sinking the Russian navy. It was U.S. President Teddy Roosevelt's supervised Treaty of Portsmouth (New Hampshire) peace negotiation that basically handed over control of Southern Manchuria and Korea to the Japanese. Admiral Togo, later on, tutored Emperor Hirohito at a house on the grounds of today's magnificent and stunning Tokyo American Club (TAC). Only about one-third of the members are USA-types.
30. There are some Russian stories in this book because of a lucky encounter with a well-placed lady. I dined on bear meat, and met the owner/host of the Saint Petersburg big log cabin where President Vladimir Putin celebrates his birthday most years. Stood on the balcony where Lenin announced the Russian Revolution—very cool!
31. Why Microsoft's Bill Gates and Oracle's Larry Ellison decided it a good hedge of safety, and a lot of fun, to have huge homes in Japan. I hope other foreigners/gaijin will follow. This book nudges people, even those with no Japanese, to see why, particularly Tokyo, is a great place to live, or operate from.

32. Where are the 82 Konyoku, naked, mixed bathing onsen/hot springs not too far from Tokyo? I wish I had learned more about this earlier. Pretty busy now, and happily married these days. How to use Japan's some 40,000 garish and glittering Love Hotels as an integral part of your sightseeing trips around the country, even when not making love? Much cheaper, larger, and more luxurious rooms than most hotels.
33. When I was age 20, I met Ohta Kaoru. He ran for mayor of Tokyo, founded Sohyo (the largest labor union federation in Japan), and invented Shunto/The Spring Wage Offensive. Mr. Ohta helped me distribute thousands of copies of my research survey. It was written with my Professor, Alice H. Cook, from the Cornell School of Industrial and Labor Relations. I was headed for being a 'Supergrade', most elite bureaucrat, at the USA Department of Labor in Washington DC. But punted it to follow through and return to Japan. Maybe a dumb move?
34. A few years later I worked part-time at Zendentsu, primarily the NTT telecommunications company union. It was one of the many labor unions where I worked in my early years in Japan. Yamagishi, Akira was #2 Shokicho/General Secretary of Zendentsu when I knew him. He went on to be the power broker uniting almost the entire Japanese trade union movement into RENGO. Mr. Yamagishi was said to be the kingmaker of the first Socialist Party Prime Minister, Mr. Maruyama. The Aum Cult sarin gas subway attack, and the great Kobe earthquake killing 6,000 people, were on Mr. Maruyama's watch. There were 77 Prime Ministers since 1885. Seven were repeaters; several coming back 3 or 4 times.

35. How was I overcharged by my landlord 63,000,000 yen/\$630,000 on my TMT electricity bill? It was over a 25-year period, renting on average about 5 stories of that building. A good reason to buy your own 5-storey building in Omotesando, and get directly billed by the utility. Our building was built by a construction firm with over 100 years of operating history. They are famous for also building temples and shrines built to take the earthquakes, and last a few hundred years. Just finishing a temple a stone's throw away.



Introduction to the Unholy Bible and its Unusual Format

‘The New Testament’ is written to hopefully be a decent read for Japanese people, and particularly interesting for New Yorkers, at least Waccabucians, John Jayers, and Cornellians, and people all over the world. It is newer. I wrote it after the ‘Old Testament’—after I realized that it was time to pass on my/TMT’s human resource and labor consulting know-how with the aim of doing greater good. I deliberately put in peripheral stories and facts related to personal experiences. Who really just wants to read about me, just Lake Waccabuc, or only Omotesando? I realize some of the English humor, wisecracks, and stupid, inane comments will not translate easily or well into Japanese and other languages.

As an afterthought, when I finished the book, I wanted to check and see if I had been too tough on President George Bush Jr., and V.P. Dick Cheney and crew. What I discovered made me angry and sick to my stomach. Since they won’t admit error, and won’t apologize, as a fellow USA American, I will apologize for them and our country for the horror and terrorism that will more and more cause suffering in more and more places in the world. And ISIS, or Islamic State in Iraq and Syria, or ISIL, the Islamic State of Iraq and Levant, started in Iraq. Iraq is in both names. We wouldn’t have ISIL if some USA Americans in leadership positions had not ignored worldwide opposition, and if they/we had not invaded Iraq.

I am hopeful that we come out with full editions in both English and Japanese. Perhaps beyond that in other languages. Just for me or a publisher to check the translation becomes much faster and easier with this unusual approach of numbering and alphabetizing sections in detailed intervals. It also helps the translator make sure he/she does not lose her/his place. And readers with memories twice as good as mine won't need book markers! The New Testament is even more finely calibrated with each paragraph numbered. I hope we can keep it in that numbered format. Unusual as it is! This will make it easier for Japanese people to read and compare the English with the Japanese, and more easily understand the English. It also works effectively with digital applications.

And believe it or not, now there are millions, not many millions, but probably millions of non-Japanese foreigners around the world who can read Japanese pretty well. The key here is to read the paragraph in your native, or stronger language first. Then it is easier to breeze through the weaker language's corresponding text without using a dictionary. Suddenly people have a new faith and confidence that they are strong enough to be able to read that second, third, fourth, or in the case of Mr. Alex Shoumatoff, sixteenth language.

With my *Know Your Own Bone* book, only the introduction, and the 3 points at the end of each chapter are presented in both languages. Hundreds of Japanese read the intro first in Japanese, then in English, then the main chapter content which is only available in English. For some of them, it allowed them to feel as they read, and finished an English book for the first time in their life. I hope some foreigners working on their Japanese or in other languages will make this same progress.

You will see that 'The New Testament' is not divided up into traditional numbered chapters. Instead I went for a page numbering on all those many subtitles that break up the text. I believe this will make it much easier to decide what you have time to read, or what you want to read. It will also help you go back and find some of the facts that I impregnated this text with. I always liked facts and information more than: "It was a murky, cool and moonless night, with the palm leaves rustling from the first breezes of autumn. Even the seasoned, rugged nudists at the colony, who should have been used to the chilly air, remained indoors, or would only venture out in the tacky and shapeless clothes available from the dusty, but overpriced gift shop."

Who Will Find Something of Interest in this Unholy Bible?

The New Testament

Nudists, student leaders, political tricksters, exiled Cubans, exotic escorts, well diggers, neo-conservatives, adventurers, Alden Terrace Elementary School Valley Stream Long Island New York graduates, hippies, Koreans, AFS American Field Service graduates, blind dogs, George Bush Jr. and Sr. Dick Cheney Donald Rumsfeld and others, Japanese expats in New York area, Boy Scout Scoutmasters, Eagle Scouts, mountain climbers, New Hampshire's daughters and sons, Bruce Lee fans, USA Senators Congressman Supreme Court Justices, teenagers or anyone realizing that to 'make a move' somewhere or at something can get life more exciting and fulfilling, Takarazuka actresses, Hill Billie's, Taiwanese, Tokugawa family members, cranky or drunken Samurai, paddle tennis players, members of TAC Tokyo American Club, high-school

sports coaches, Con Ed Sports Award of the Week winners, world leaders and citizens, beltless high school hoods and bullies, messed up football players, cool American style soccer players, girl witches, West coast South Americans, Nepalese, Pakistanis, Indians, who love their huge mountains, Swiss with a rifle under the bed, tree skimmers, Bostonians, high school and college cheerleaders, The Brothers Four, Phi Gamma Delta Brothers, canoeists, brave patriotic altruistic self-sacrificing USA military serving returned or wounded in Iraq and Afghanistan, high school Principals, horsemen missing their heads, Long Islanders, Quentin Tarantino, Beefsteak and Burgundy members, Ukrainians, USA citizens and voters, gymnasts, senior investment bank and leaders of financial institutions, Georgian Italian Swiss French Africans Indonesians with nice mountains, Transcendentalists, people in a rut, cave dwellers, smart bats, bluegrass band jammers, Castle Rock jumpers, Vietnam Veterans, Lewisboro Elementary School graduates, warplane dog fighters, graduates of John Jay High School, Taiwanese and Mainland Chinese, residents of Maine, Americans carrying concealed weapons, native American bakers, former Ambassadors to Japan, The ghost of the Christmas Soldier, Gonpachi and Tableaux staff and customers, parents told that their kids need glasses, cult leaders, Hayden Planetarium lovers, Germans and Australians who wish they had nice mountains, State District Attorneys and Governors, gamblers, spies and traitors, spy catchers, lake and river dwellers, maître d's, rock bands, USA mainstream media, Filipinos, Waccabuc Country Club members, German and Irish immigrants to the USA, native Americans, residents and lovers of Las Vegas and Nevada, history buffs, people who go in the buff, members of Manhattan's Cornell Harvard University of Pennsylvania Yale Brown Princeton and Columbia Alumni Clubs, free rope rock climbers, golfers,

Revolutionary War veterans, residents of Westchester NY and Fairfield Connecticut Counties especially Lewisboro Katonah Bedford Village and Ridgefield, members of the Mead family Waccabuc, N.Y.C. Waterworks people, Apple product fans, stubby fat horses, Jones Beach lovers, wearers of Tuxedos, West Point graduates and cadets, not Free Masons but old slave driver masons, James Fenimore Copper Leatherstocking novel fans, guys that lose their bone, Nishimachi School Tokyo graduates, residents of Manhattan Bronx and Brooklyn, peeping Toms, Pepsi Cola employees, horse riders, State Troopers, Japanese restaurateurs, 'Super-grade' Federal bureaucrats especially at Department of Labor, Cornell Willard Straight Hall Deskmen/women alumni, American Legion Boy's State winners, inbred feral horses, Members of the NLRB National Labor Relations Board, Alaskan antlered Moose fighting over women, tourists to New York City and Westchester County, Alaskans, tourists planning on attending the 2020 Tokyo Olympics, Harajuku lovers, SMAP and other Johnny's Jimusho Boy Bands, Yoyogi Park lovers, Ninjas, Ninja lovers and wanna bee's, city underground river lovers, Meiji Shrine Hatsumode'ers, descendants of Satsuma Samurai, Hachiko's illegitimate offspring, residents of Woonsocket Rhode Island, Trader Vic's bar devotees, hissing monkeys, the interred at Aoyama Cemetery, haunted taxi drivers, subway and train workers, the naked Waccabuc abominable snow-faced axe man, Shibuya and Omotesando station passengers, members of the Foreign Correspondents Club of Japan, the taxi riding lady ghost at Aoyama Cemetery, doggie doo doo pick-up people, couples who married someone they met in front of Hachiko, Japanese sailors and air force pilots, Russian Chinese Korean Taiwanese and other tourists to Omotesando and Harajuku, Apple store staff and customers, Kua Aina Hamburger staff and customers, residents of Saint Petersburg Russia, Russian bear-meat lovers,

Aeroflot airline staff, lake-lovers, Aoyama and Shibuya family descendants, Shibuya IT entrepreneurs, Russian and Alaskan bears, Jewish people fleeing Europe looking for a safe haven, members of Tokyo Jewish Community Center, anybody from anywhere looking for a safe heaven, weird isolated endemic animal and plant species, people from anywhere itching for something new fun and safe, older guys wanting to get rejuvenated mostly with younger girls, people from anywhere wanting to live part time in the exotic orient but with enough support and a live-in property caretaker, people fearing water shortage and climate change, dealmakers wanting a beautiful discreet live-in business base in Asia, people who want easy chances to meet famous people, dam lovers, famous faces that want privacy and a paparazzi-free lifestyle, gluttons that want to dine at 160,000 Tokyo restaurants, people who never want their place flooded again, expats and their families wanting to escape pollution personal danger and instability, Google satellite picture fans, yachtsmen and women who want to sail north and love sashimi.

The Old Testament

Cornell ILR School graduates, Minami-Asagaya residents, JETRO staff, Tora-san fans, Japanese expats working anywhere abroad, Japanese expats or any business executives having to face executing a staff reduction, Japanese or any other owner controlled companies, leaders of foreign capital companies in Japan or anywhere wanting better results, Japanese managers needing to be careful about age and sex discrimination in foreign countries, Japanese companies considering bringing business back to Japan, Japanese Unions and opposition political parties with policies that are counterproductive, Japanese leaders or foreign expats in Japan interested in

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Governments Prove they Can't Do It. The Need is for Leading Global Firms in the Private Sector to Cooperate Together and Create a Synergistic Coalition More Effective at Restructuring, Building Stronger Firms, Carrying out More Effective Mergers & Acquisitions, Creating Flexibility in the Labor Market, Recruiting Top Talent, and More Effectively Utilizing available Manpower, and Womanpower.

Vote for Yourself, or Risk Losing—Thank You Daddy! 1

Roger Stone Helped get me Elected, but Helped Sink 2
Vice President Al Gore and New York State Governor
Eliot Spitzer. Like Father like Son—Both True
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Actions do Count. The World is Listening, and
Watching. If We Lose the World’s Respect and
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Powerless in Vietnam, (not in Operation Desert
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