

ON MY DESK ARE TWO VERY INTERESTING ITEMS TO TRY AND FIGURE OUT. AS A RULE WHEN PEOPLE VISIT MY OFFICE THEY WILL INVARIABLY PICK ONE IN PARTICULAR UP AND STILL NEVER FIGURE IT OUT. IT FITS IN THE PALM OF YOUR HAND, BUT IF I WERE TO FULLY DESCRIBE IT TO YOU, YOU STILL WOULD NEVER GET IT. BUT, UNLESS YOU TURNED IT UPSIDE DOWN, FIGURING YOU KNEW WHICH WAY WAS UP FROM DOWN BY LOOKING AT IT, MY NARRATIVE MIGHT MAKE MORE SENSE IF I INCLUDED, NOW PUT A SCOOP OF ICE CREAM ON IT. THEN YOU WOULD SEE THAT IT RESEMBLED AN ICE CREAM CONE. THAT SAID, IT IS THE MOLD TO JUST THAT, AN ICE CREAM CONE MAKING MACHINE. IT WOULD TAKE MORE TIME THAN MY ALLOTTED [REDACTED] TO EXPLAIN HOW ALL THE PARTS WORK TOGETHER. SUFFICE IT TO SAY WHEN THEY GET OVER HEATED WHILE COOKING ON THE ASSEMBLY LINE AND STUCK IN THE MACHINERY, IT WAS MY JOB TO CLEAN THEM UP AND GET EM READY FOR THE NEXT ASSEMBLY LINE. MIND YOU, THEY ARE THE SIZE OF AN ICE CREAM CONE AND THERE WERE HUNDREDS OF THEM, OF WHICH, I KEPT ONE TO REMIND MYSELF THAT I WANTED TO HAVE A JOB AFTER COLLEGE OUTSIDE OF THIS KIND OF WORK. IT IS NOW A PAPER WEIGHT, THUS THE CONSTANT REMINDER I MADE IT. THE OTHER IS MY NEW FAVORITE, AGAIN WITHOUT DESCRIBING THIS ONE, [REDACTED] WILL TELL YOU IT'S A SHOWER HEAD, GOLD PLATED IN COLOR. WHY IN THE WORLD WOULD I HAVE THIS ON MY DESK YOU ASK, IT IS THERE TO REMIND ME TO NOT PROCRASTINATE. ONE OF MY MANY WEAKNESSES! IT IS HERE BECAUSE ONE DAY I GOT TIRED OF THIS STREAM OF WATER COMING THRU THE END THAT LOOKED MORE LIKE A HOSE LEFT HALF ON. HOW LONG DID I PUT UP WITH THIS STUPID WATER FLOW? WAY TO LONG. SO LONG I AM EMBARRASSED TO SAY. WHY THEN DID I FINALLY PULL THE

TRIGGER, BECAUSE I SAW A SHOWER HEAD AT SHAFER'S ACE HARDWARE WHILE SHOPPING FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT AND THOUGHT, NOT BEING A HANDYMAN, HOW HARD COULD IT BE TO REPLACE THE OLD ONE? OR BETTER YET, HOW MUCH WOULD I HAVE TO PAY SON DAVID TO DO IT FOR ME. FREE! HE SAID. DONE I SAID.

MY NEXT SHOWER WAS SO FAR OUT OF THIS WORLD I THOUGHT I WAS IN A FANCY LUXRIOUS HOTEL WITH ONE OF THOSE BIG SHOWER HEADS WITH ALL THE ANGLES AND FORMS OF SPRAYS, I WAS JUST COMPLETELY BLOWN AWAY.

I LOOKED UP AT THAT NEW SHOWER HEAD, TOOK A LOOK AT THE OLD SHOWER HEAD ON THE SINK AND SAID, WHY IN HEAVEN'S SAKE DID I WAIT SO LONG TO FIX JUST A LITTLE THING. THEN THE WORD THAT HAS PLAGUED ME FOR YEARS HIT. PROCRASTINATION.. NOT MUCH IN MY LIFE, WORK RELATED, FAMILY RELATED OR OTHERWISE HAS NOT ESCAPED MY WEAKNESS. AS A SIDE LIGHT, BECAUSE I AM A VISUAL PERSON, THE SHOWER HEAD HAS HELPED ME TO WORK ON MY PROCRASTINATION. I ACTUALLY AM GETTING MORE DONE WITH MY WEEKLY TO DO LIST TOGETHER AS WE SPEAK, NOW THAT I PROCRASTINATED THE FIREWORKS TO THE LAST MINUTE. I MAY NEVER GET ALL THE WAY THERE, BUT I WOULD LEAVE THIS MESSAGE WITH YOU TODAY, IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO DO, WORK, FAMILY RELATED OR OTHERWISE.....DO IT, DON'T PROCRASTINATE. THIS HAS BEEN MIKE JONES FOR COMMUNITY CONVERSATION.

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