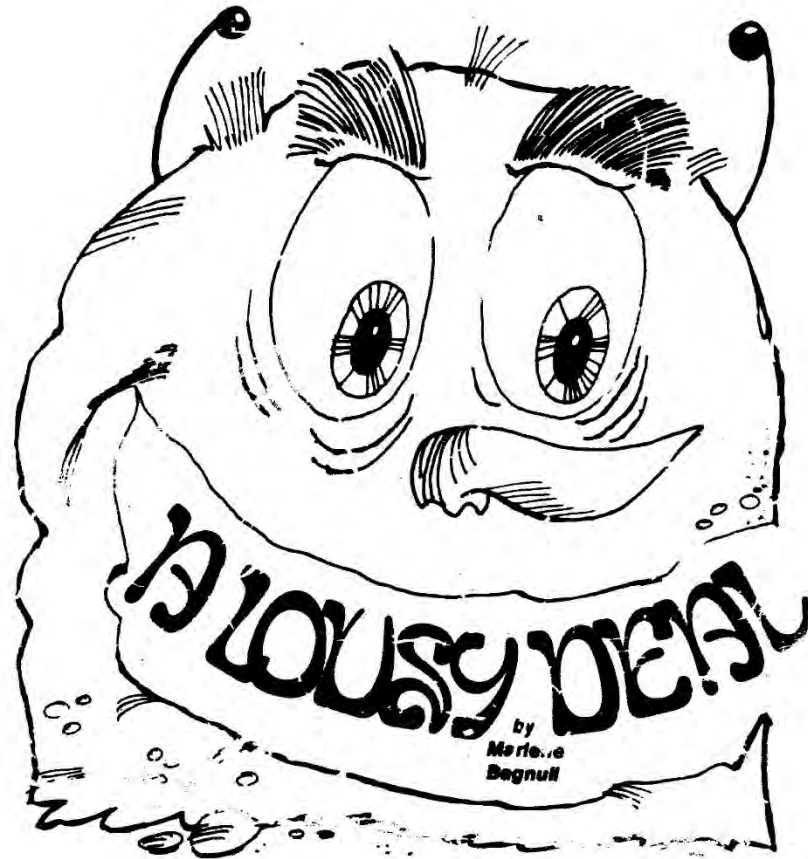
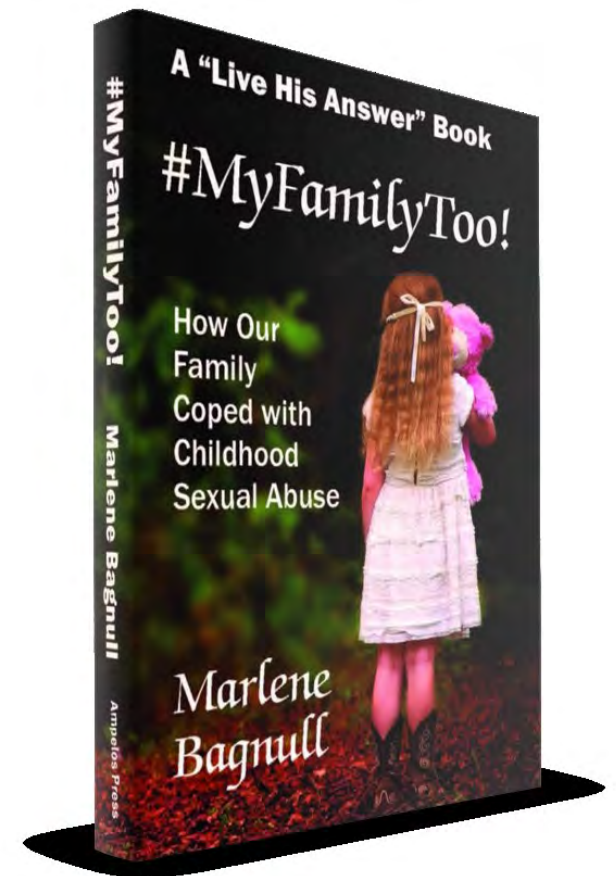
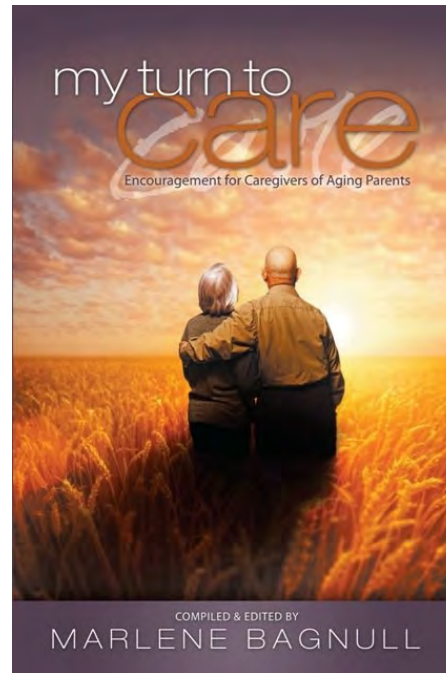


Write His Answer

The Power of Story
Turning Personal
Experiences into Print





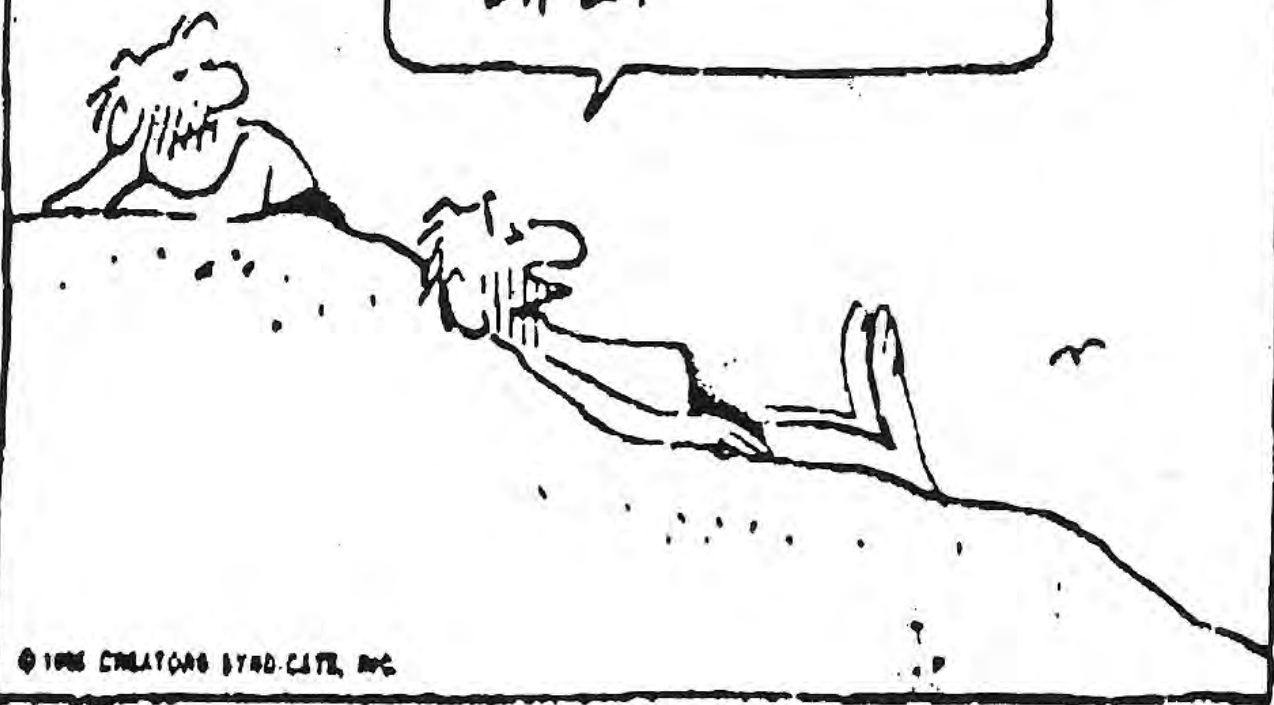


UNFORGETTABLE MOMENTS IN SPORTS

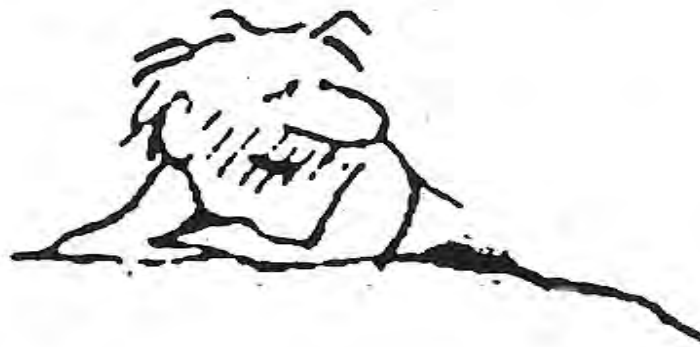


B.C. by Johnny Hart

MY UNCLE GUNTHER
LED A VERY DULL
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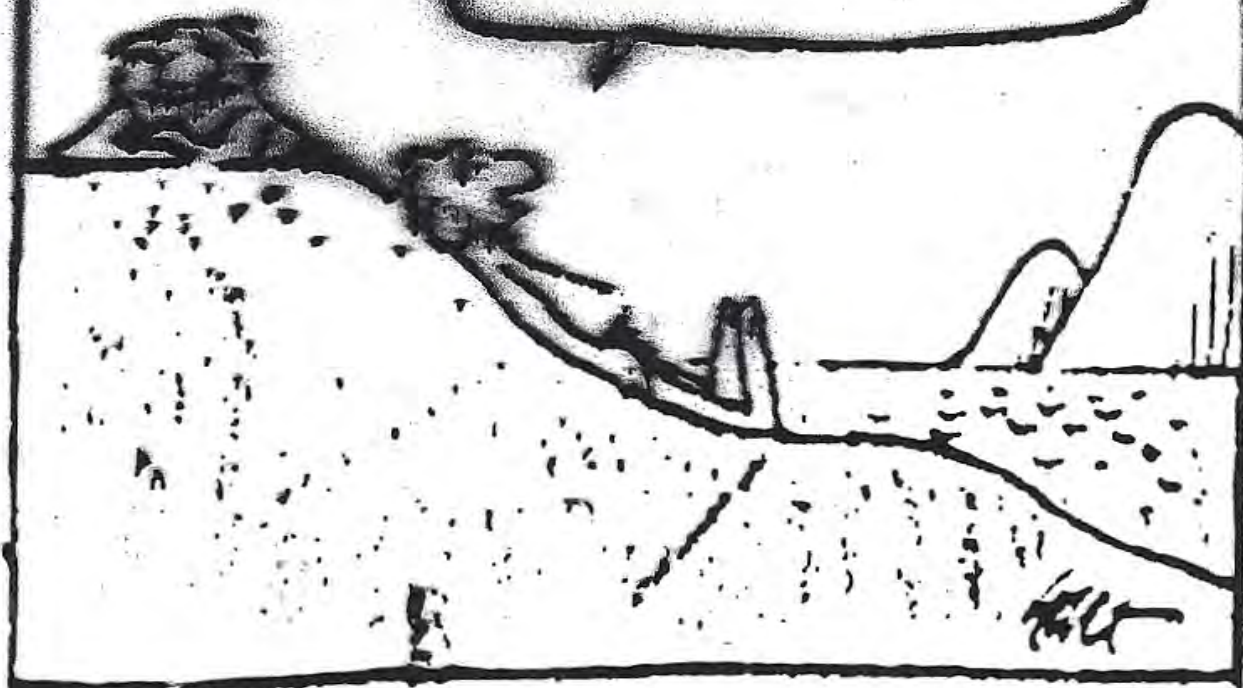


HOW DULL
WAS IT ?



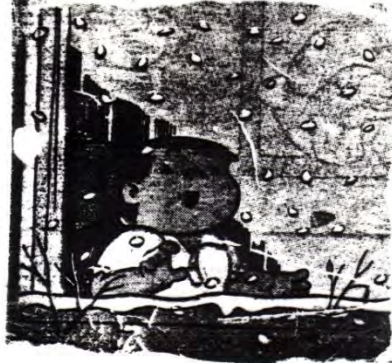
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HE FELL ASLEEP
WHILE WRITING HIS
AUTOBIOGRAPHY.



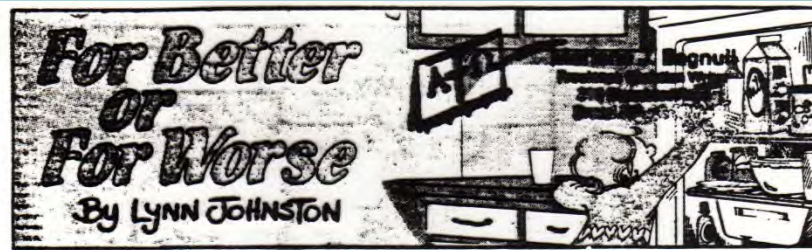
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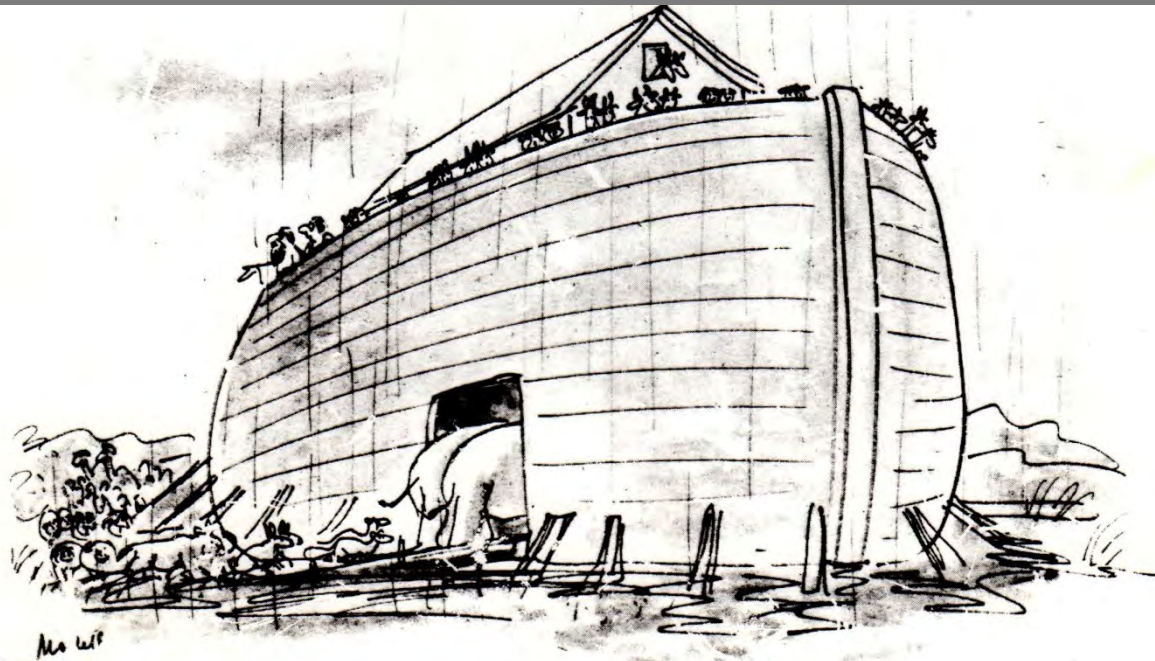
By **BIL KEANE**





"They must be growing up. They don't need pushes any more."





"We're going to look like dcrn fools if this is just a shower."

Make Your Writing Hot

Honest

Open

Transparent



**"I'll tell You what I did, God, but
I'm not going to tell You who I am."**

TODAY'S CHRISTIAN PARENT

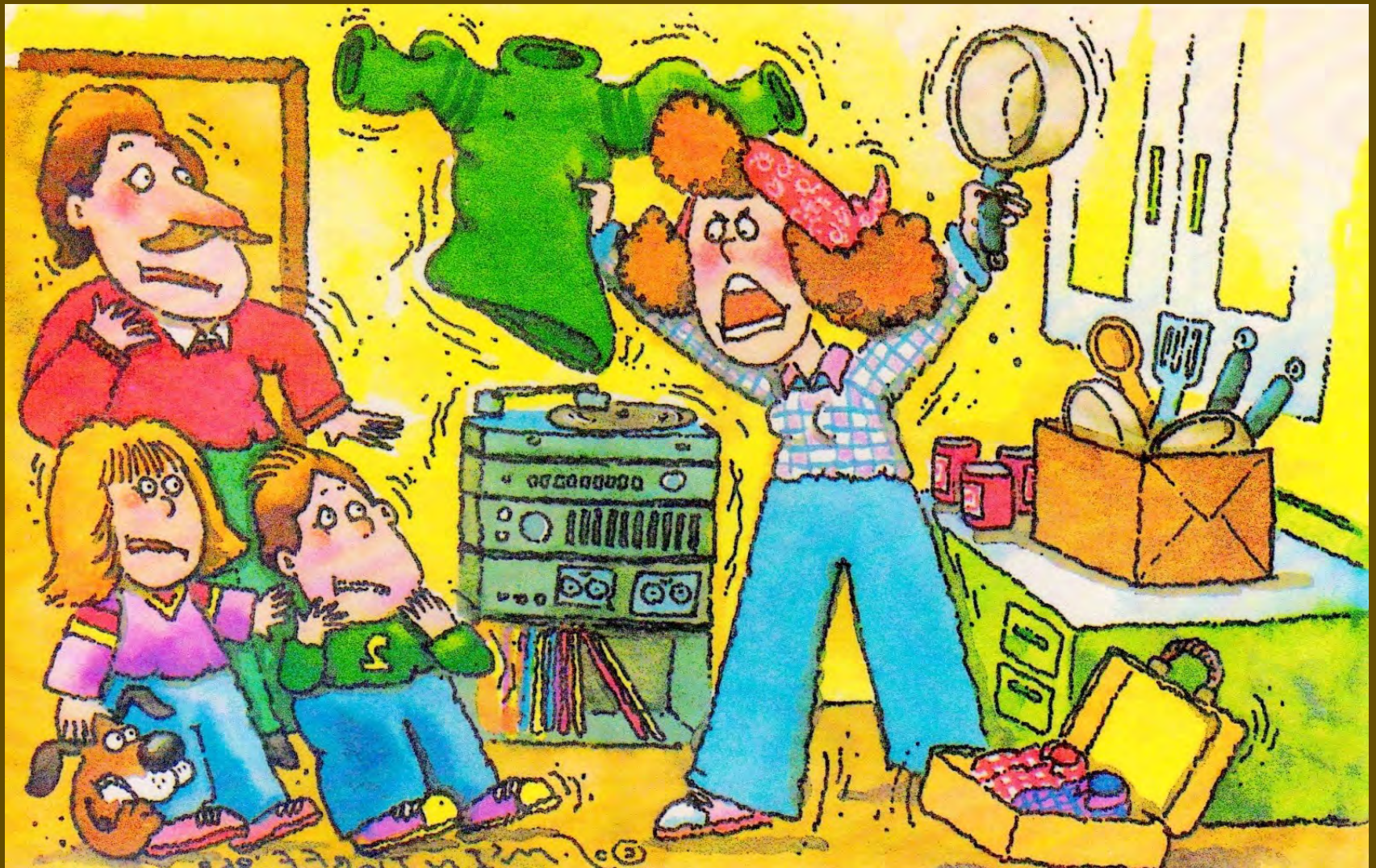
Use the 4 C's of Fiction

Character(s) – contrasting & strongly motivated

Conflict – credible problems & obstacles

Crisis – black hole

Change - resolution



Prodigal Son Example

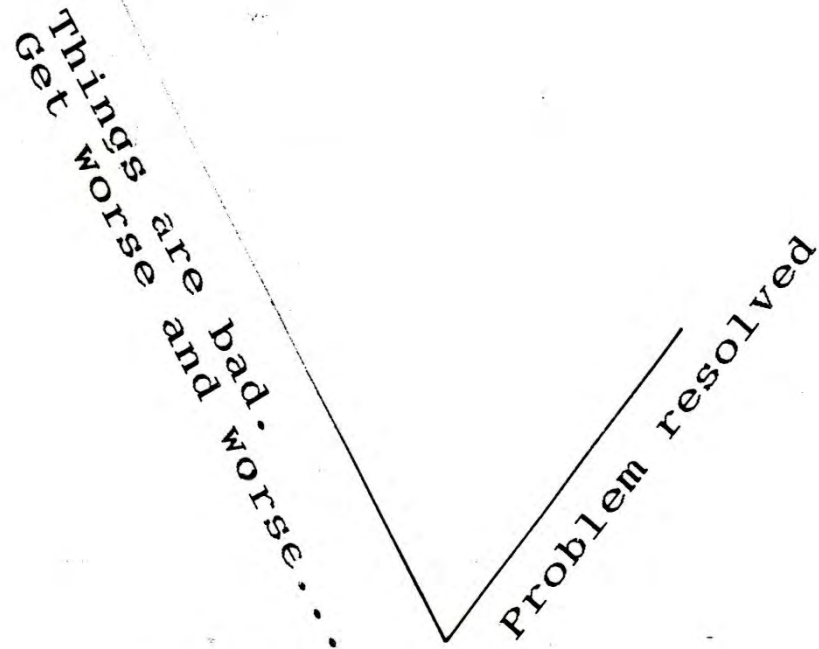
Character – make him real

Conflict – true to life

Crisis – black hole

Change - believable

THE HINGE STORY

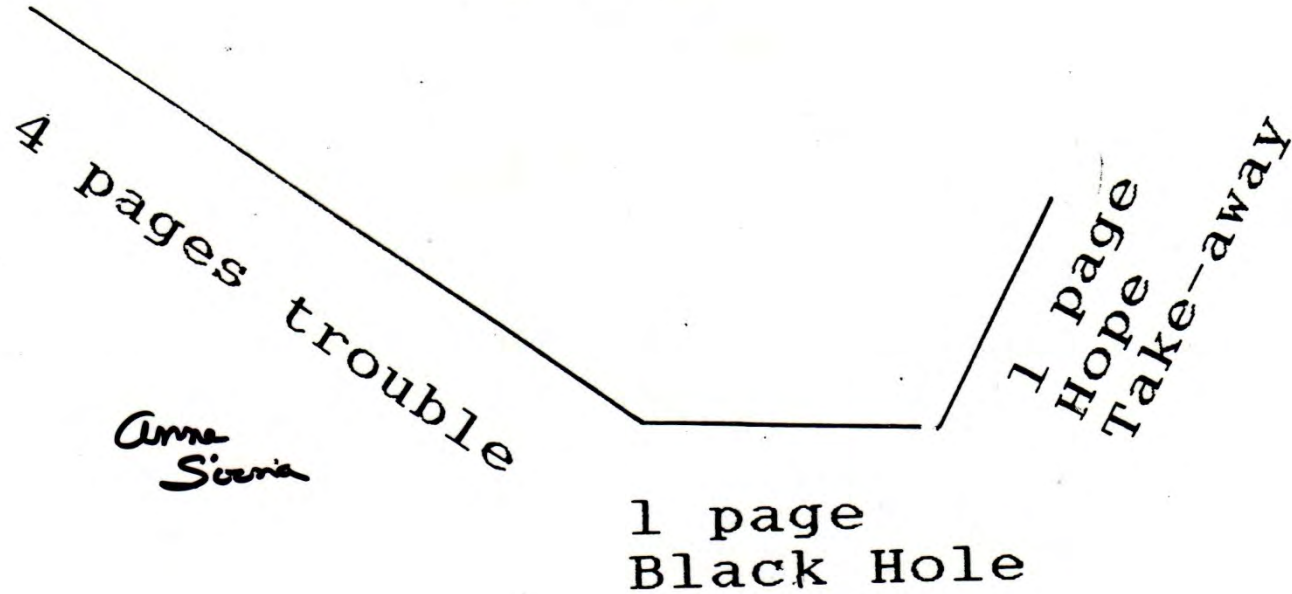


Turning Point

*Linda
Tomblin*

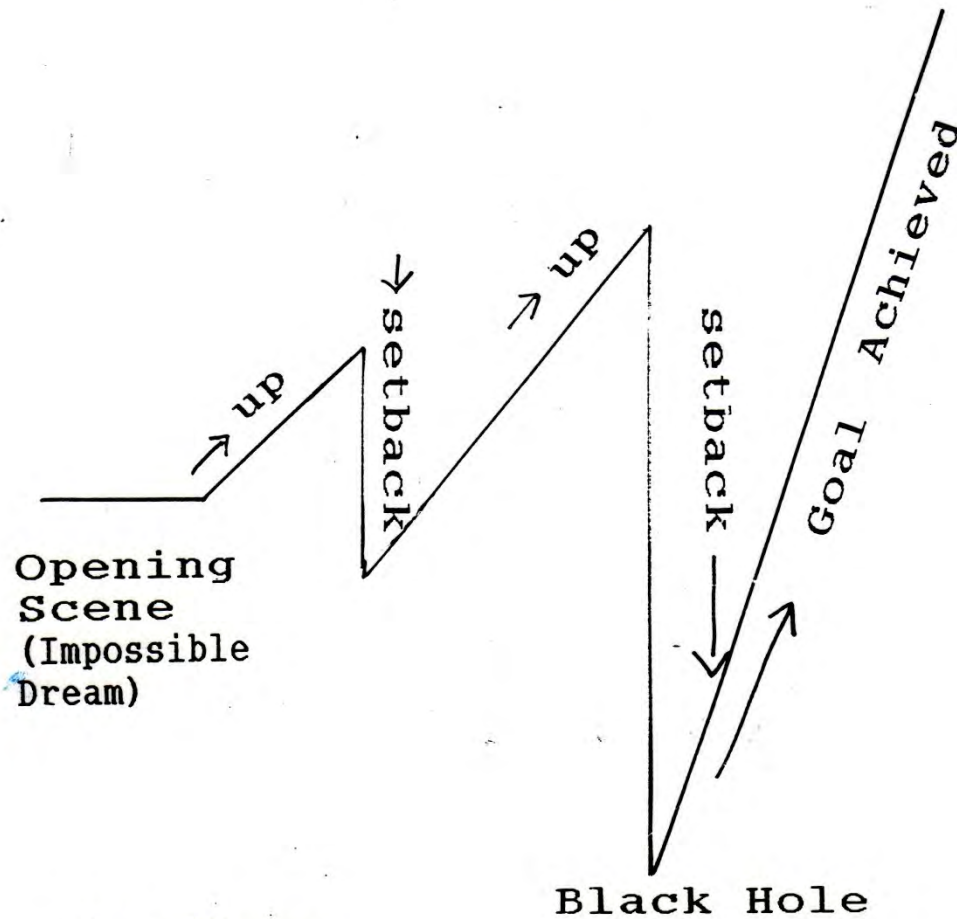
Answer cannot
come too soon,
not "I prayed, I got"

THE "DARK MOMENT" PLOT



THE "MOUNTAIN TOP" PLOT

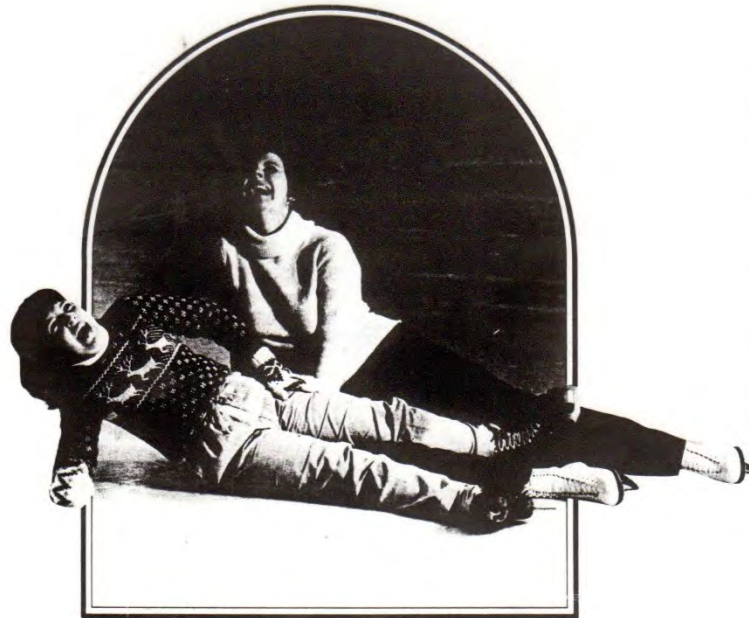
or THE "CLIFFHANGER" PLOT



Anne Sirna

Giving and

Receiving



HER SPECIAL GIFT

TIP: Let the story carry the messsge.



*How Our Family Coped with Incest--
The Triumph of Love*



"We just figured it out, Mommy. When I'm 19, all four of us will be teenagers at the same time!"

“I’m wondering if this isn’t something you’d like to go over and think about more deeply, to take it to the Lord and see if he could teach you some new things if you want to have a longer article for any publication. . . .

“I’d really rather you spent more time with it—if not writing it presently, then trying to live it with the Lord’s direction. Those are gentle words of encouragement, not words to keep you from this topic.

“May the Lord truly bless you in the year ahead, my friend, and may he give you a sense of release, a sense of not having to try too hard to push articles through into print when he might want you to live them and learn more from them first. May our Lord bring a sense of new joy in letting him carry the burden for you so you do not feel the pressure to perform. You have it in you, just don’t force it, let him flow through you.”

With much love,

Charette Barta Kvernstroen
Assistant Editor and friend
Decision magazine
February 9, 1983

The Writer's Psalm

**I waited patiently for God to help me;
then he listened and heard my cry.
He lifted me out of the pit of despair,
out from the bog and the mire,
and set my feet on a hard, firm path
and steadied me as I walked along.
He has given me a new song to sing,
of praises to our God.**

**Now many will hear of the glorious things
he did for me, and stand in awe before the Lord,
and put their trust in him.**

God can do anything, you know—
far more than you could ever
imagine or guess or request
in your wildest dreams!
He does it not by pushing us around
but by working with us,
His spirit deeply and gently
within us.

Ephesians 3:20 The Message