

ERIC-ISMS

{And it ALL Began When.....}

My parents brought me home to our mobile home in St. Anthony, Indiana - late October 1964! The charming village was situated in the rolling hills of southern Indiana - hosting - one church, one elementary school, one feed mill, one general store, one gas station, one bank, a couple stop signs and of course one tavern.

The trailer that we lived in for the first five years of my life was parked in the back lot of my grandparent's property - behind their home and what it is known as today as the original Klem Hospitality factory.

As many you already know - soon after my grandparents we married in the late 1930's they stated raising their NINE children and building kitchen cabinets and church pews as a side hustle for the surrounding area. Coming from modest means - they - along with everyone else in my family - did not shy away from hard work and providing a good home and education for their family. In fact, all their living children would end up with college degrees or higher diplomas.

Over the next several issues - I will share fond memories of growing up in St. Anthony. The abundance of family that surrounded us - traditions like Turtle Soup Day, Potato planting and vegetable canning days, chicken butchering and of course all the curiosities of growing up on an active factory site! I still have fond memories of smelling all the finishes used in the factory. To some extent - I was probably high for the first five years of my life without even knowing. Now that I think about - I guess all the 50-gallon steel drums full of finish surrounding our home would amount to today to living in the middle of a toxic waste dump! Huh? Maybe that is the reason I am bald today!

To be continued....

MONTHLY MUSE: AMERICAN LEATHER

American Leather is a premier seating company based out of Dallas, TX. They are Known for their patented {Comfort Sleeper} product that is unlike any other sleeper sofa on the market. But don't be confused with the word {Leather} - AML offers a Full Line of Ultrasuedes, Fabrics and COM Options, as well. AML has you covered from public areas to guestrooms. See What AML can do you for you on your next project!







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FEATURE PROJECT of the MONTH

Bluegreen Club La Pension

Location: New Orleans, LA

Design by Van Dresser Company - Atlanta, GA

The KG | ATL Team worked closely with VDC in Atlanta to create a very custom AML Comfort Sleeper sofa fot the Bluegreen Club. This sleeper was desgined to include tufting on back cushions and arms and finished with decorative tassels at the center of each rolled arm.



KLEM (COLLABO) of the MONTH

Foundry Hotel

Location: Asheville, NC

Design by

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CHARTER Furniture knocked it out of park with this project. Beautiful seating from public area to guestrooms. So many good images... had to share more than 1.

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COURTNEY'S CREATIONS

February was RoUgH... looking forward to SPRING Vibes coming our way soon! Fun Fact {that no one asked for} I Love Flowers! I have arrangements of All types around my house throughout the year. I wanted to share my Go-To ORCHID arrangement - that will bring a bit of Happiness to whatever space it lands!

- 3-4 Orchids from your local grocery or plant shop. REMOVE from cermic vase - Keeping the plastic container - housing orchids roots.
- Large Bowl/Container. Line bottom with potting soil*. Place Orchids - in their plastic contianers - in the Large Bowl Container.
- Spin/Rotate until it just WORKS:)
- Top with MOSS! VOILA! a Gorgeous Dining. Coffee or Foyer table arrangements that will last for Months! Just Add Ice Cubes weekly and be sure they can see some Light!
- * Potting Soil will help Hold orchids in place & absorb excess water from watering. TIP: Use "clips" to hold plastic containers together.

