**Time for some fun *Julius Caesar* Style –** You and a partner will take Antony’s famous funeral speech from Act III and create a parody. You must structure it like the speech and include some of the same elements. For instance, the opening line should be similar and you should have a refrain like “Yet Brutus says he was ambitious; And Brutus is an honorable man.” Someone in your partnership will perform the speech for the class on Monday. During the performance, you must have a prop of some kind. You will have today and tomorrow to work with your partner.

Friends, Romans, countrymen, lend me your ears;

I come to bury Caesar, not to praise him.

The evil that men do lives after them;

The good is oft interred with their bones.

So let it be with Caesar. The noble Brutus

Hath told you Caesar was ambitious.

If it were so, it was a grievous fault,

And grievously hath Caesar answered it.

Here, under leave of Brutus and the rest

(For Brutus is an honorable man;

So are they all, all honorable men),

Come I to speak in Caesar’s funeral.

He was my friend, faithful and just to me;

But Brutus says he was ambitious,

And Brutus is an honorable man.

He hath brought many captives home to Rome,

Whose ransoms did the general coffers fill.

Did this in Caesar seem ambitious?

When that the poor have cried, Caesar hath wept;

Ambition should be made of sterner stuff.

Yet Brutus says he was ambitious;

And Brutus is an honorable man.

You all did see that on the Lupercal

I thrice presented him a kingly crown,

Which he did thrice refuse. Was this ambition?

Yet Brutus says he was ambitious;

And sure he is an honorable man.

I speak not to disprove what Brutus spoke,

But here I am to speak what I do know.

You all did love him once, not without cause.

What cause withholds you then to mourn for him?

O judgment, thou art fled to brutish beasts,

And men have lost their reason! Bear with me,

My heart is in the coffin there with Caesar,

And I must pause till it come back to me.

Penny, Penny, Penny, answer your door;

I come to speak of Leonard the lost.

The stupid things men do live after them

The good blow up in the acceleration chamber

So let it be with Leonard. Raj and Howard

Have told you that Leonard was a brilliant man

If it were so, he hid it well

And his untimely death proves it not.

Besides Raj and Howard are dust mites

on the desktop of my superior knowledge.

Leonard did agree with my assertion of String Theory

Over Quantum Loop Theory but his other research

Is merely in Experimental Physics far below

my PhD in Theoretical Physics. Yet Raj and Howard

have told you Leonard was a brilliant man.

Remember Raj and Howard have the

brain power of underactive gnats.

Leonard did make a fine dungeon master

And lead many well-organized quests

But his inability to accurately plan all

the possible outcomes indicates his inferior

cognitive skills. Still Raj and Howard

assure you that Leonard was a brilliant man.

I assure you that Raj and Howard are still

Primates on the spectrum of Darwin’s evolution.

Oh, pardon me, Penny, you Nebraska girls

probably don’t “cotton” those evolutionary theories.

You did love Leonard once as part of your obtuse stupidity.

I suppose you had your reasons, none of them

with any scientific data or rational thought.

My only condolence is Bazinga!