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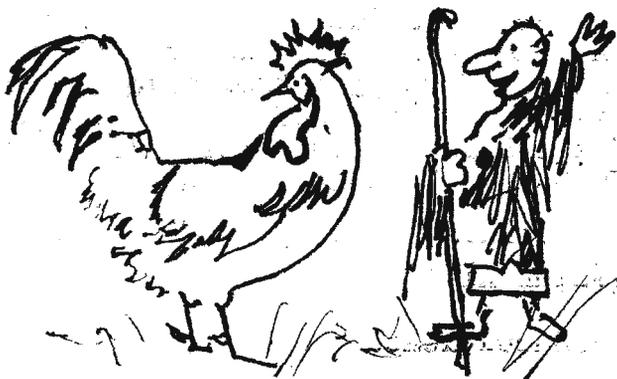
Hi David,

I looked up Stanley White on Google and there is but one mention of me and that is our being together on the horn and in my cabin for an interview re; remembrances of Suzuki Roshi...Understandable as I'm known among friends, familie and acquaintences as never having done anything noteworthy...I enjoyed so much reading the interview...Ofcourse, it is somewhat disjointed as I remember drinking a grand amount of plastic bottle vodka, as well as some local green of strong nature and I think your wife was waiting for you...I don't mind being called an irascable priest as long as I'm not called late to be with my friends...As to being called a priest, well, I like the gig...Kobun appointed me "O-sho", prior to his demise...I asked him what it meant to be O-sho...He said,"be kind"...As I never thought much about being kind, I decided to make an effort to agree with the members of the Sangha whatever they wanted to do or say, so they quickly made it known that I was an old fart...and at times an asshole...

I do take on the role of Do-shi by presenting the insence when I go to activities in the Zen-do, wearing my black O-kesa and if anyone asks me what I do, I say I am a poor quality Zen Student with intention to continue on the path...I leave all the phoenominal decisions up to a Board of Directors...If they ask my opinion as to some plan for Ho-Ko-ji, I can get out of some answer by saying that I don't really know much about whatever the subject is and this is the truth...So, I have plenty of time to smoke two to three packs of Winstons daily, watch all kinds of stuff on TV, drink and smoke with friends, spend my remittance carefully, cook my meals, usually a non-recipe that I can't remember, water the plants, sweep and dust, feed Amore, (my dogie), and my cat, (Henri), do my cartooning, (currently working on Roosters as it is the year of the Rooster), etc. etc....Whenever I get an acceptable Year of the Rooster picture, I would like to send you one care of Zen Center...Anyway, anyhow, somehow, we've known eachother some many years, so with good ole Gas-sho,

Your Dharma Brother,  
Stan, known also as Bu-tan.

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*Good Luck  
Year of the  
Rooster*