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## A little good clean fun

## 'Round' trips lead to laundry lore

philosophical ramifications of Victor Frankls "Evistential Vacuum".

And youre still smoking?

When I was just a kid, my big sister used to stick me in the dryer -we didn't have a microwave then -- to shut me up.
She dumped me into the cylinder, shut the door, turned the dial to permanent press and pushed "start."

She even cleaned the lint filter. Forty-five minutes later I emerged, a little bit red-faced, but none the worse for wear.

As a result, I know more about laundry than the Maytag repairman does. And I even have a life.

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"I'll Tumble for You" was my favorite song. And I know, for instance, that:

- The average T-shirt takes 52,000 tumbles in a dryer before turning into a window-cleaning rag.
- Socks can be heated up, cooled down and hung out to dry for five years before blowing away in the wind.
- Turtleneck shirts of deep forest green lose their luster after 4,000 wringings in all-color bleach.
- Powdered detergent forms more suds than liquid; but it deposits crust all over your jeans.
- A good washer can be doubleloaded 14,000 times before it's history -- that's 28,000 spin cycles and 1.7 million spins.

Laundry facts and figures are not very exciting. If you're the Maytag repairman, you might have time to learn them.

Otherwise, forget it. Break some

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rules. Mix your whites and colors; put the powder detergent in after your clothes.

Just make sure you do it at a Laundromat -- they're used to the abuse. At least half the machines at the average Laundromat are out of order -- the management's way of saying the machines will eat your clothes.

That's not unusual. Anything can happen when you stick coins into a machine that gurgles and splashes like month-old sauerkraut.

Laundromats are like bars they cause you to lose your inhibitions. The major difference, of course, is that yesterday's embarrassing stains, not alcohol, evaporate your privacy

Things usually hidden in the home come out at Laundromats: leopard-skin underwear, $g$-strings, negligees and polyester.

The freshman year in college is for bringing home your laundry on the weekend for your parents to do. That can be embarrassing when an article of your girlfriend's/boyfriend's clothing ends up in the basket.

But the real trouble starts when your girlfriend/boyfriendseesyour mother's underwear make its way into your laundry on the return trip.
Freshmen have to bring their laundry home because they are poor. Budget choices usually involve choosing between beer or clean clothes for the weekend. A quick trip to Mom's and Dad's and you can have both.
But if you don't feel like going home, just turn those sweat shirts and jeans, or even your underwear, inside out

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