

Shelter-In-Place

2020 Pandemic Diary

Liat Goldman Douglas

Sweet are the uses of adversity,
Which like the toad, ugly and venomous,
Wears yet a precious jewel in his head;
And this our life, exempt from public haunt,
Finds tongues in trees, books in the running brooks,
Sermons in stones, and good in everything.

William Shakespeare

There's no shortage of inspiration from a hellscape.

-My brother, Micah Goldman

March 2020

Quarantine-Sourdough-Fail



I-❤️-Dr.-Fauci Granola



For All The Essential Workers Who Feel Expendable



Chicken Soup

April: We've-Never-Done-This-Before Sourdough





Can-You-Believe-We-Celebrate-Plagues

Passover Matzah

Quarantine Pickles

Vinegar 2020



When Life Gives You Lemons:

I-Didn't-Get-The-Job

Lemon Cream Pie





It's-Still-April

Stimulus Brownies



Social-Distancing Pizza

With Lime-Turmerick-around*

*The Rickaround is a beverage named after my late Father-In-Law, Ricky Douglas. It traditionally contains whiskey (though rum or brandy are reasonable substitutes) and is mixed with lime, ginger ale and bitters.

Ricking Around is what one does on a Sunday when one relaxes by busying oneself tinkering on any number of chores which may or may not be necessary to accomplish on this (or any other) Sunday afternoon.

May



Practice-Makes-Better Sourdough

Happy-Mother's-Day-Please
Wash-Your-Fucking-Hands

Ginger Scones





June

Say-Their-Names

Popovers



All-Who've-Lost-Loved-Ones-Without-The-Chance-To-Say-Goodbye

Peanut Butter Chocolate Chip Cookies

Wear-A-Fucking-Mask



Sourdough

June



Zoom-Cocktail-Hour

Cherry Pie



July

I-Miss-My-Family

Quaranquiche

I'm-So-Thankful-My-Kids-Have-A-Yard

Peach Shortcake



August



Congress-Goes-On-Recess-Without-A-New-Stimulus-Bill

Apple Dutch Baby



Evacuation-Warning

Raspberry Yogurt Cake



Get-My-Kindergartner-Off-Zoom
Marinara

AQI-Index

(God-Damn-Climate-Change-Deniers)

Cornbread



September



Ryan's-Covid-Test-Was-Negative

Raspberry Scones

September



RIP-RBG

Rosh Hashanah Memorial Challah

9/23/20: It's getting ugly.

Won't-Commit-To-Peaceful-Transfer-Of-Power-Undermining-Democracy



Minestrone Soup

The-World-Is-Upside-Down



Rosh Hashanah Apple Honey Cake

hy·poc·ri·sy

/hə'päkrəsē/

noun

noun: **hypocrisy**; plural noun:
hypocrisies

Mitch McConnell claiming to have moral standards or beliefs to which his own behavior does not conform; pretense.

With Justice Ginsburg's death, Mitch McConnell's nauseating hypocrisy comes into full focus.

-LA Times



Heaps-of-Hypocrisy
Raspberry Cream Tarts

9/27/20

Fight-Or-Flight Flapjacks



Super-Spreader-Event



Judge Amy Coney Barrett's White House Celebration

9/26/20

October

Red-Flag-Warning-Salsa

Mild (sense of impending doom)

Made with Vine-Smoked Tomatoes



10/4/20

(The president is hospitalised.)

Best-wishes-for-a-speedy-
recovery-America.

Chocolate Chunk Cookies



More Reasons to Bake:

- Toilet paper shortage, seriously people?
- My kids think we're on Spring Break but we're gonna be here a while- 3/20
- Celebrity bookshelves
- Federal police violently clear out protesters making way for idiot-showman's bible-grabbing photo op. 6/1/20
- U.S. Postmaster General Louis DeJoy testifies before a House Oversight and Reform Committee hearing on bullshit slowdowns at the Postal Service ahead of the November elections. 8/24/20
- The-Sky-Is-Orange 9/9/20
- Ash on my windshield 9/20
- The cops who killed her walk. 9/23/20
- Remember when the Mueller report was a big deal?
- Remember when Pumpkin Spice Lattes were annoying. *#white privilege*
- Biweekly-Certification-of-Unemployment-Insurance
- I want to move and he doesn't.
- The teacher can't call on the girl with bad wifi connection; her parents can't afford a new plan
- The people in the movie are all standing around maskless and much too close together

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- Rolling Power Shut Offs/ High Wind Advisory
 - “Widespread haze. Patchy smoke. Sunny and hot with a high of 99. Winds could gust as high as 25 miles per hour.” 9/26/20
 - I parked behind a Q-anon bumper sticker.
 - Drive-By-Parade-Birthday-Parties
 - Zoom Back to School Night
 - Drive-by school picture day
 - Teacher assigns birthday card writing to 23 classmates my kindergartner has never met
 - The front office calls to check on my kids’ “attendance”
 - Marking oneself as “safe” on Facebook
 - Pod-school inequity guilt
 - Amazon shopping guilt
 - “OGUSD Families, School is in session. Please proceed with your distance learning schedule.” 9/28/20
 - Mike Pence just said there’s no such thing as implicit bias. VP debates 10/7/20
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- 200,000 and counting...
 - I had big plans for this lock-down, but mostly I just baked.

pro·cras·ti·bake

/prə'krastə,bāk/

verb

verb: **procrastibake**; 3rd person present:
procrastibakes; past tense:
procrastibaked; past participle:
procrastibakeded present participle:
procrastibaking

To busy oneself with baking while delaying or postponing action; baking to put off doing something other than baking.

"It won't be this price for long, so don't procrastibake."



"I just know this won't be forever." -Olive
5 y/o
9/20