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# Mitch Henck: Nobody would have believed 2016 if told in advance

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Let's wind the clock back to January 1, 2016, and make some predictions. Just imagine what your family and friends would think of you had you made them.

The Chicago Cubs will beat the Giants and the Dodgers to win the National League pennant, then fall behind 3 games to 1 in the World Series to the Cleveland Indians. The Cubs will win the next two games to force a game seven at Cleveland. The Cubs will then lead 6 to 3 with two outs in the 8th, when former Reds reliever Aroldis Chapman will give up a three-run homer to tie the game. After a rain delay, the Cubs will win in the 10th to secure the team's first World Series victory since 1908.

Sure, Mitch, that will happen after I go to dinner with Angelina Jolie.

In the presidential race, Vermont socialist U.S. Sen. Bernie Sanders will defeat Hillary Clinton in the Wisconsin primary by 14 percentage points. He also will win 22 other states. He will lose his native state of New York because the rules say voters must register as Democrats several months before that state's primary to vote for Bernie. Oh, and Ivanka Trump won't be able to vote for her father because she didn't register as a Republican.

Are we having fun yet? The Democratic National Committee will conspire to help Clinton beat Sanders in the primary.

In fact, the DNC will schedule only six debates, some on football and baseball Saturday nights so few people watch. The finance chair of the DNC will send emails to colleagues suggesting somebody mention that Sanders is a Jew when the campaign reaches Kentucky because, "My peeps might like to know that."

And, yes, CNN analyst and future DNC chairwoman Donna Brazille will leak televised primary debate questions to the Clinton campaign. But nothing will happen because Wikileaks will release Brazille's emails, and the media and intelligence officials will say they were hacked by the Russians.

Yeah right, Mitch. When do you go back to the grassy knoll?

I'm not done. On the Republican side, Donald Trump will defeat 16 Republican opponents including Jeb Bush, Chris Christie, John Kasich and Marco Rubio. Trump will refute Rubio's assertion that since Trump has small hands something else must be small.

Then, after the GOP convention, Trump will get into a fight with the parents of a Muslim-American soldier who was killed in Iraq. And just wait, Trump will be caught on an 11-year-old video bragging about grabbing the private parts of women — and then 11 women will say Trump did just that.

Then Hillary will refuse to campaign in Wisconsin even once, and Trump will win the state by 22,000 votes. Oh, by the way, Trump will also win Michigan, Ohio, Florida and Pennsylvania. He will win the election going away with 306 electoral votes. Then in December two electors will abandon Trump, and five will break from Clinton.

What? Mitch, are you drunk?

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