Farewell to the Naughties! pt.4

Gilly Sinlow, "Popped Culture" Perhaps it is getting a bit late in the new year to keep saying farewell to the last decade. Yet I cannot fathom what life would be like without the tsunamis in the Asian Oceans... or the New Orleans hurricane, the Bush Administration or even the massive progress to newer technologies like cell phones, the internet and wireless fidelity (Wi –Fi for those who use it often).

I guess it is the last hurrah. I give thanks to the many people who have made my life easier... like the Liberals who allowed for my rights as a gay man. I give thanks to my mother for accepting me as a young gay man and giving me the courage to express myself as such and the wisdom to share with others in what life is really like for me, my friends and the many people like me.

So many people have died fighting a war that was started by an egotistical dictator, George W. Bush, and as result have created this fear that was meant to scare us... perpetuate hate crime against innocent people stuck on both sides of the war. I wish many wishes and hope for the many that have served the army, had a significant friend and/or family member in the army and the many people around the world who has been killed in the front lines of this horrible man made hell.

I reach out my hand to many who need it in this technocratic society. I want to raise spirits and wish for great humility of the greater forces at hand; the dominant countries like America and Canada who are now trading with China who is the newest super power the world has seen to date.

I guess I am spiralling a bit with my

words.

I want to say thank you to the many educators, both good and bad, who have brought me to where I am today. Thank you to the many people who had fought hard in the War against Terrorism... it is war that could not be won and has been exhausting the many who are involved. It has ravaged the lands of the Middle East and has hurt so many people that did not asked to be raped, killed, segregated, hated upon, marginalized, sacrificed or even asked to be a soldier in one man's reckless attempt to throw his

power around.

Thank you to the many that have fought hard to find peace for those who need it.

The memories of the last ten y have been the worst since the World Wars. These are the years many would look back upon and realize how ugly America had acted upon other nations. It will be these last ten years where the world nearly collapsed in another Great Depression save for the fact a man named Ben saved the economy.

Lest we forget this hell of a decade.

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