My favorite movies are: Clue, Tombstone & 2001: A Space Odyssey. The 3 things I can’t live without are: my guilt, my family, & my rescue cats (not necessarily in that order).

When I welcome a visitor to my town, I always take them to: Downtown Fayetteville to see our renaissance first hand.

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