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## Another Day Older

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*by Bosco Turk*

sun sets  
aborting rays,  
baptized lake  
younger days,  
sands swept clean  
of resolution,  
minds swept clean  
in retribution.  
dig a little deeper—  
gentlemen don't sweat,  
another day older and  
a little less wet.

## Mud Defiled

*by Heather Fox*

Rain comes and it begins  
grains of sand, spongy loam  
and fermented peat  
melt into mud—  
the kind of soft syrupy  
glaze, that, if applied  
lavishly to a Palm Beach  
face, could import miracle  
deeds of blemish control,  
and impart new boundaries  
of confidence.  
Yet I derive the same  
results  
from a walk in a mucky garden,  
each step sucks at my feet  
the pull of earth laden with compost  
the cling of moisture  
the locking of mud  
creation of a bond bored Riviera princesses  
try to bottle—  
a curative best discerned  
by vegetables, toes, and ankles,  
not noses.