

## Lex Zaleta

# "And That Old Rocking Chair Groans"

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He had dreams enough to fill a lifetime;  
Was going to be bigger than the Beatles.  
He was going to take Hollywood by storm.  
Be the next Creator to take on human form,  
He would spit out anything that was lukewarm.  
Till he got tangled up in all those needles,  
And he played out his dreams in pantomime.

And that old rocking chair groans,  
Every time he shifts those old bones.  
Looking for the world that passed him by,  
Sighing that ancient eternal sigh.  
The old man simply sits and moans,  
And that old rocking chair groans.

She had such high hopes and aspirations;  
Was going to be the next Janis Joplin.  
She was going to shake the world with her songs,  
Going to let all of her good friends tag along,  
She would live only for today, right or wrong.  
Till those cold Comfort bottles started toppin',  
And she lost control of her gyrations.

And that old rocking chair groans,  
Every time she shifts those old bones.  
Looking for the world that passed her by,  
Sighing that ancient eternal sigh.  
The old woman simply sits and moans,  
And that old rocking chair groans.

Dim eyes have lost their curious glow,  
That old chair keeps rockin' -  
Sometimes fast, sometimes slow,  
But there's never anywhere  
For that old rocking chair to go.  
Rock on, rock on to your favorite song or two;  
Life will be here long after you.

And that old rocking chair groans,  
Every time they shift those old bones.  
Looking for the world that passed them by,  
Sighing that ancient eternal sigh.

The old rockers simply sit and moan,  
And that old rocking chair groans.

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