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# VOKOOOOOOOON...

**By: Stacy Kauffman Sports Feature Writer for Nightwire, Photos ©2013 Pittsburgh Penguins/Joe Sargent.**

The chants bounce off the walls, over the glass and across the ice. Every time the regular season backup goaltender turned playoff stalwart makes a kick save or flashes his leather, the crowd responds in kind. What hasn't been so kind? The playoff performances of franchise goaltender, former first overall pick of the 2003 draft, Marc-André Fleury, over the past few years. After two consecutive one round and done showings, with the butterfly specialist getting squashed by the arch rival Philadelphia Flyers most recently, this was to be the year of playoff redemption for the French Canadian, or Québécois, if you will. The first game against the New York Islanders proved to be a toe drag in the right direction for the much maligned net minder as he posted a shutout and the offense exploded for five goals. With fire power like that, would the team even need "flower power"?

You could almost hear a collective sigh of relief coming out of the Steel City. Woo hoo! Here we go! Our goalie won't do us in this year! And then . . . 14 vulcanized rubber saucers made their way past Fleury over the next three games, with the last outing being the worst, as he allowed an abysmal six goals on 24 shots in game four of the series. The new daddy accrued a 2-2 record with a save percentage of .891 and a 3.40 goals against average (GAA). I thought having a baby boosted an athlete's game! Rob Mackowiak, anyone?

You can't fully pin those miserable games on Fleury, as the defensive effort wasn't anything to write home about and it's my feeling that a little complacency set in after starting the series off with seven unanswered goals in five periods. However in the playoffs, the goalie must take his play to another level. NO SOFT GOALS ALLOWED. The puck stops there. At the goal mouth. Or in this case, in the goal mouth. It was time for that two year, \$4 million insurance policy General Manager Ray Shero inked in the offseason to pay off.

Stewing in the muck of the aforementioned collapse at the

hands of the Flyers last year and facing a longer than usual offseason due to a looming lockout, Shero knew it would be a while before the puck dropped to wash that awful taste of choke out of their mouths. He also knew he had too much talent on this team to waste away the golden years betting on an inconsistent playoff goaltender. So he didn't wait long to acquire depth in the crease. A 2012 NHL Entry Draft day trade sent the Penguins' seventh round pick to the Washington Capitals and brought the veteran Tomas Vokoun to the Burgh.

The Czech had a solid history in the league, albeit after a rocky start. Vokoun was chosen by the Montreal Canadiens with the 226th pick in the 1994 draft, yes, nearly 20 years ago, yet only played in one game with the Canadiens where he was assaulted by the Philadelphia Flyers for four goals in just twenty minutes. Hey, no worries Tomas. Fleury knows exactly how you feel. His stay in the Habs' organization was short lived as Vokoun was made available by Montreal in the 1998 expansion draft and selected by the Nashville Predators, ultimately winning the starting job in 2002 after Mike Dunham was traded to the Rangers.

Nashville was where Tomas Vokoun spent most of his career (1998-2007) and took his game to the next level, making a name for himself as one of the league's top tier net minders. He had a breakout all-star season in 2003-04 and helped lead the Predators to their first ever playoff appearance as a franchise. Although they were ousted in the first round by the Red Wings, Vokoun's 41 save shut out in game four proved his mettle. His playing career was interrupted in 2006 when he was diagnosed with pelvic thrombophlebitis, a medical condition that causes blood clotting in the pelvis. He fully recovered and was then traded in 2007 to the Florida Panthers for a first round pick in 2008, a second rounder that year as well as a conditional pick, as Nashville went into full sell mode. Vokoun still holds many of





## Let's Go Pens!

the Predators' franchise records including wins (161) and saves (9,657).

To be traded for such high value picks speaks volumes of your work ethic and growth as player, especially when you begin your professional career as a ninth round draft pick yourself. Tomas Vokoun has brought that same professionalism to his time in Pittsburgh, skating up when asked, selflessly filling the role of reliable, consistent backup goalie. With all due respect to Brent Johnson, who has a heck of a left hook, the Penguins have been lacking a quality player in that position for a while.

As the unraveling of the second season version of Marc-André Fleury began against the New York Islanders this year, Coach Dan Bylsma turned to his capable veteran. Tomas Vokoun immediately stopped the bleeding and the Penguins advanced to face the Ottawa Senators and their shut down goaltender, Craig Anderson, who spent two seasons as Vokoun's understudy during his time with the Florida Panthers. Vokoun outplayed his former backup, posting a .935 save percentage and allowing just over two goals per game, while Anderson was chased twice in the series.

The offense is putting pucks in the back of the net at a blistering pace of more than four goals a game. But that doesn't diminish the consistency at which Vokoun has played, which induces confidence in the players in front of him. Overall, Vokoun is 6-1 in the playoffs with a .941 save percentage and a 1.8 GAA after two rounds of play.

Just like "Scary" Gary Roberts, Tomas Vokoun has become somewhat of a cult hero in Pittsburgh. In the age of wild fire-like spreading of trends and hashtags, the concept of "Vokouna Matata" has gone viral. I'm not sure of its exact origin however KISS FM's Freak Show has fueled a Vokouna Matata craze in Pittsburgh and beyond. Hockey enthusiast and ESPN host, John Buccigross, has used the term live on national television

and NHL.com writer, Shawn Roarke has also incorporated it into one of his reports.

So, what exactly is Vokouna Matata? Inspired by the song, Hakuna Matata, which is Swahili for "no worries," from The Lion King, the Vokoun adaptation reminds us that with Tomas in net, there's no need to worry. It's the "problem-free philosophy" of the Penguins. So far, it's been dead on. We will wait to see if the revitalized crease commander can keep it going in the Eastern Conference Finals to propel the team to the Stanley Cup Finals.

Vokouna Matata. What a wonderful phrase, indeed.



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# Travel

by Joyce Campisi



## *Wilderness At The Smokies Resort*

Our travel adventures this month took us to the Great Smoky Mountains in Tennessee. We stayed at Wilderness at the Smokies Hotel & Waterpark Resort. Wilderness at the Smokies, is located minutes from Interstate 40 and is situated in the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains. This year-round vacation destination has established a new standard for family vacations to East Tennessee. Among the over 700 rooms and suites, the resort also features a 36-hole championship golf course, a variety of dining and shopping areas, and their newest indoor “dry” activity center, Adventure Forrest. Adventure Forrest houses an array of activities from rock climbing walls, rope ladders, and even black light mini-golf. A definite must do when you’ve have too much fun in the sun, or on that gloomy day when you just want to stay indoors. On the property there are also two outdoor water parks, an indoor water park with a wave pool and the Southeast’s only Surf Rider. The Wilderness at the Smokies resort has something for everyone, from toddlers to Grandma and Grandpa. Relaxing hot tubs, numerous waterslides, and indoor adventures. This magnificent property is also adjacent to a 200,000 square-foot conference, convention and event center known for hosting the area’s largest conferences, athletic events and trade shows.

Plus, there is always something new at this resort. Every year they add something bigger and better than the year before. In the spring of 2013 they added the Cyclone Racer waterslide to their outdoor Lake Wilderness Water park and in 2012 they added Adventure Forest area and the Wild Vortex slide. Their creative team is currently working on additions for 2014, we can’t wait to see what they come up with!

What makes this resort so unique is the entire experience. Once you are at the resort, you never have to leave the comforts of the property. They have thought of everything to make your stay an amazing experience. The staff is friendly and will make you feel right at home from the minute you arrive. This year round resort is a definite family destination. Non-guests are welcome anytime to come and experience the Adventure Forest activity center. This

interactive area is something you must put on your list of “to do” while vacationing in the Smokies.

For more information about Wilderness at the Smokies, call toll-free (877) 325-9453 or visit [www.wildernessatthesmokies.com](http://www.wildernessatthesmokies.com).

## *Hard Rock Cafe - Gatlinburg*

The Great Smoky Mountains and the Roots of Rock: two of the unique aspects of East Tennessee that make Gatlinburg a one-of-a-kind Gateway to the most visited National Park in the country and a jewel city in the Wedding Capital of the South. While visiting, make sure you stop at the Hard Rock Cafe!

This property offers handmade food, live music and memories that will last forever, the Hard Rock Cafe Gatlinburg provides Authentic Experiences that Rock. The food was fresh, well presented and truly delicious. You can always count on high quality grand portions of food coupled with great service at the Hard Rock. Plus, their drinks were amazing and the choices were endless. While visiting Gatlinburg this should definitely be on your list. They are open late every night! Located on the main street in the heart of Gatlinburg. For reservations call the Cafe 865-430-7625 or visit them on the web [www.hardrock.com](http://www.hardrock.com)

## *Ripley's Aquarium of the Smokies in Gatlinburg*

Our stop at Ripley’s Aquarium was truly a memorable experience, no wonder it is one of the most visited aquariums in the country. This \$70 million attraction houses sea life from each of the world’s major oceans. Some of the most popular exhibits show off octopuses, jellyfish, piranhas, weedy-looking sea dragons, all kinds of colorful coral reef critters and the absolutely prehistoric-looking Japanese spider crab. In two huge tanks, Coral Reef and Stingray Bay, scuba divers hand feed marine creatures during regular dive shows. The hands-down



highlight was navigating Shark Lagoon via a 340-foot moving walkway through one of the world's longest underwater acrylic tunnels. Here, several species of sharks live alongside sawfish, eels, and even sea turtles, giving us an amazing view and a real thrill as the sharks glide directly over your head. As a certified scuba diver, I felt like I was actually diving with them as they swam all around me. Penguin Playhouse, the aquarium's newest section, is an interactive exhibit that invites visitors to crawl through still more acrylic tunnels to explore a colony of playful African Blackfooted penguins. If that's not quite close enough for your kids, they can pet stingrays at Touch-a-Ray Bay and hold horseshoe crabs at the Discovery Center. Wow, what an amazing experience! Ripley's Aquarium is definitely more than just an Aquarium, it's a lifetime experience, one that you will never forget! Open 365 days a year and from Memorial – Labor Day - Mon-Thur: 9:00am to 10:00pm - Fri-Sun: 9:00am to 11:00pm <http://www.ripleyaquariums.com/gatlinburg/plan-your-visit> for more information.

## *Bubba Gump's Restaurant in Gatlinburg*

If you have never dined at a Bubba Gump's Restaurant, you don't know what you are missing. The fresh shrimp and seafood offerings they are famous for are absolutely fantastic. We started off with the Shrimpers Net Catch, "peel and eat" shrimp in garlic sauce, other than the shells, there wasn't a morsel left of this appetizer. The garlic bread is baked fresh and served warm in a basket, it is truly heavenly... we recommend ordering two because it is too good to share!

For our main course, I ordered the coconut shrimp and I must tell you it was the best I have ever tasted.

The shrimpers heaven was another one of our favorites, well actually we loved our entire meal and experience. With so many entrées to choose from you might have a difficult time deciding, but be assured that any choice you make will be served up to perfection. For you meat lovers, they offer their famous and award winning ribs which are truly unforgettable, moist, tender and juicy. This Bubba Gump's location is definitely one of the best around. With outdoor seating upstairs, you can kick back, relax and enjoy the view from their balcony. Their service and drinks were fantastic. General Manager, Roland Gilfour stopped by and we had such a dynamic and great conversation. They have an amazing drink menu, we ordered margaritas made with fresh ingredients and top shelf liquor, they were top notch and the best margaritas around. Bubba Gump's offer so many choices and such delicious and fantastic food. Plus their portions are large and the entire experience is awesome, you will want to kick back and stay and relax as they make you feel at home. Bubba Gump's our favorite restaurant, one you definitely do not want to miss while in Gatlinburg. Stop in and tell Roland - Nightwire sent you. Located at 900 Parkway Traffic Light #8 in the heart of Gatlinburg, TN 37738 - Ph: 865-430-3034



## *The Titanic Museum - Pigeon Forge*

The Titanic has always intrigued me, so visiting this museum was truly an amazing voyage. From the moment you enter the museum, the staff, dressed in costumes will make you feel and experience what it would have been like to board the Titanic. We were handed boarding passes with a passenger's name. Throughout the museum

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you will learn about the passengers, crew and eventually learn the fate of the name on your boarding pass. You will actually feel the adventure as you step into the various rooms and cabins recreated in the museum.

Visitors are given phones and in each room you will find a medallion with a number. Dial that number into the phone to hear stories and facts about that fateful day. They also offer a kids version of each medallion. During our visit the museum was dedicating its tours to the stories of the 133 children aboard the Titanic. It is the first and only world tribute to Titanic's Littlest Heroes and their stories are amazing. This tribute is very powerful and an emotional experience I will never forget.

Your journey begins by walking up the Grand Stair Case, I could feel what it must have felt like to be aboard that glorious ship. The various galleries tell the stories of so many and let you glimpse into their lives on that fateful day. The story that touched my heart was the cabin of one of the co-owners of Macy's, Isidor Straus and his wife, Ida. Traveling back from a winter in Europe, Isidor and his wife were passengers when, on the night of April 14, 1912, it hit an iceberg. Once it was clear Titanic was sinking, Ida refused to leave Isidor and would not get into a lifeboat without him. Although Isidor was offered a seat in a lifeboat to accompany Ida, he refused seating while there were still women and children aboard and refused to be made an exception. According to friend and Titanic survivor Colonel Archibald Gracie IV, upon seeing that Ida was refusing to leave her husband, offered to ask a deck officer if Isidor and Ida could both enter a lifeboat together. Isidor was reported to have told Colonel Gracie in a firm tone: "I will not go before the other men". Ida insisted her newly hired English maid, Ellen Bird, get into lifeboat #8. She gave Ellen her fur coat stating she would not be needing it where she was going. Ida is reported to have said, "I will not be separated from my husband. As we have lived, so will we die, together." Isidor and Ida were last seen on deck arm in arm. Eyewitnesses described the scene as a "most remarkable exhibition of love and devotion." Both died on April 15 when the ship sank at 2:20 am.

There is so much to see and experience at this museum, this experience is definitely worth the trip you absolutely must experience it... it truly touched my heart. Located in Pigeon Forge... [www.titanicpigeonforge.com](http://www.titanicpigeonforge.com)

## *Dollywood... Pigeon Forge*

No vacation would be complete without a stop at Dollywood in Pigeon Forge. This theme park is filled with shops, restaurants, rides and shows galore. Dolly makes frequent appearances and you never know when she will appear and perform at one of the many shows. Dollywood is a visual paradise and definitely has something for the whole family to enjoy. From thrill rides to just strolling along or sitting and relaxing in one of the rocking chairs located throughout the park, you will certainly build memories



that will last a lifetime. Every year they add something new and continue to build and expand. Their newest thrill ride is called "the wild eagle" and let me tell you it certainly makes you feel like you are flying and soaring like an eagle. This "must not miss" ride is like nothing you have ever experienced before.

Dollywood is open from late March until the first week of January ... and is located at 2700 Dollywood Parks Blvd. Pigeon Forge, TN 37863 - (800) DOLLYWOOD (800-365-5996) you can visit them on the web at [www.dollywood.com](http://www.dollywood.com)

## *Corky's BBQ - Pigeon Forge*

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For those of us who have tried Corky's, we have to say. . . "It's Simply the Best"! Located at 3584 Parkway Pigeon Forge, TN 37863 - (865) 453-7427 - [www.corkysbbq.com](http://www.corkysbbq.com)

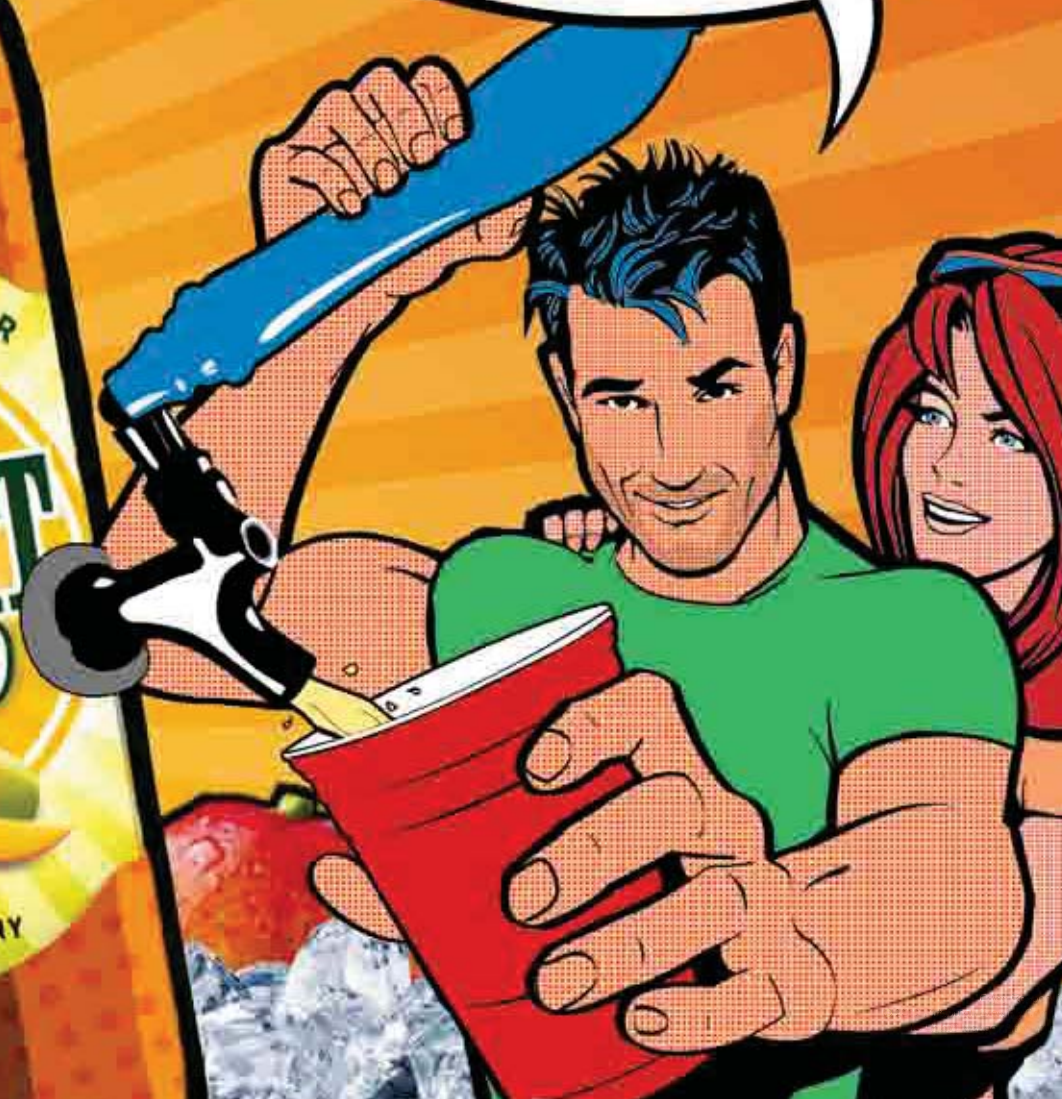
The Old Mill Pottery House Cafe and Grille

This lovely little unique restaurant is located amongst the darling little boutique shops at the Old Mill Pottery. Outside was a darling little garden where we dined. This restaurant is friendly, and offers a great variety of homemade fresh food and breads. The food quality was fantastic at a great value. It is a local favorite and a true treasure. If you love hot homemade soup with homemade, crusty bread this is should be your first stop. They offer several choices daily with your choice of sandwich or salad. Be sure and save room for homemade pie or cake that you can buy by the slice or a whole pie. The coconut pie was to die for. This café is warm, inviting and overall was a wonderful dining experience. Located at: 175 Old Mill Ave., at Traffic Light #7, Pigeon Forge, TN 37863.



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There is certain knowledge that can only come with experience, knowledge that can be taught and learned but simply understood more with time. Arcadia Ales is currently in their 16th year of production and throughout those years they have formulated a method that is unmatched in quality and creativity. Coming back to PA only a month ago after some revamping of the company, Arcadia Ales is going full-force, so expect to start seeing them everywhere and if you don't, just ask, they deliver. Located in Battle Creek, Michigan, Arcadia Ales has been producing British-inspired American ales since 1996. What British-inspired means for Arcadia Ales is that they brew in a traditional style, true to the British ales of old; there will be no lagers coming out of this brewery. The yeast they use, the styles they brew, and their place in the brewing community of Michigan is reminiscent of the way it was started across the pond.

Community is also a large part of who they are, helping out the other local Michigan brewers and the larger community as well. They like to keep it friendly. If a neighboring brewery runs out of a certain malt, for example, then Arcadia is there to help them out. They don't compete they collaborate, having multiple beer fests throughout the year for all the local breweries to promote their brews. As far as the larger community goes, Arcadia Ales throw fundraisers frequently to help the local zoo, marathons and various other community endeavors. So when you buy a case just remember that the money isn't going right into someone's pocket, but instead is helping a larger community.

Arcadia Ales has over 22 in their rotation, all very unique, all very delicious and all brewed with a special strain of yeast. To the beer geeks out there you may have heard of it and have some reservations about it, but fear not, Arcadia Ales has the venerable knowledge necessary to create memorable brews. Of course, the yeast that I am speaking of is Ringwood. It's technically a mixture

of a couple of different strains, blended at certain times during their aging. I won't go into the details, but for those of you who don't know about Ringwood, it's a very unique type of yeast. It's generally referred to with a love-it-or-leave-it dichotomy. However, you mustn't let this scare you. Everyone has a different tongue; some like dark beers, some like light beers and some don't like any beers (whoever they are).

Ringwood has its origins in Great Britain where its vigorous nature helped to produce the malty characteristics found in traditional British ales. What this means is that, like Belgium abbey yeasts, Ringwood will eat every possible fermentable sugar so you have to be careful when brewing with it, especially if you want to bottle condition a brew (exploding glass is bad). Also, Ringwood necessitates an open fermentation style of brewing, a style that is pretty rare these days. However, Arcadia Ales wants the full-fledged British authenticity, thus they brew all of their ales with open fermentation. I know, this may sound crazy to some of you home brewers, but rest assured there is a method in this madness. Imagine Ringwood as a living entity (because it is). It likes to get to know its surroundings, feel out the environment and adapt; it's still not entirely understood but when the brewer is good Ringwood becomes a faithful companion. Ales are top-fermenting, as opposed to lagers which are bottom-fermenting. What this means for Arcadia Ales is that Ringwood acts as a natural barrier to the outside world, so you can relax about the contamination of the brew. When fermentation begins the yeast starts to form a protective layer on top of the fermentation tank. Essentially what happens is when the yeast start to multiply they form a 3-4 inch thick layer of yeast on top; the layer that is exposed to the air hardens and effectively creates a natural closed fermentation system. And just for the icing on the cake, there's so much carbon dioxide coming off the tanks that anything living would have a pretty difficult time doing anything on top of the yeast.

But enough about the technicalities; let me introduce you to some of the brews. I'll only be able to scratch the surface of the plethora

**By: Sean Creevey**





of brews they make, but rest assured, their quality craftsmanship transcends their entire line.

To start us off is one of the most popular in Michigan. They didn't mess around with any fancy names, and the artwork is straight to the point. Their India Pale Ale is simply called what it is, IPA. With generous amount of dry-hopped Columbus hops, this IPA is the prototypical IPA: piney, and citrusy with a solid malt foundation to keep the hops in check. There'll be no puckering with this brew, but don't worry: they have more hops if you want them. This IPA checks in at 5.9% ABV and 41 IBUs.

Another Michigan favorite and summer classic is the Whitsun ale. An unfiltered pale wheat ale brewed with orange peel, coriander and local Michigan honey to enhance the sweetness is just about the perfect thing on a hot summer day. What's more is that it now comes in cans, making it more picnic-friendly. Now, before you go and jump on the anti-can bandwagon it should be known that can technology has come a long way from the metallic-flavored beer you might be imagining. At least as far as craft cans go, they're lined inside, so the beer doesn't actually touch any metal. They're airtight and impervious to light (so no "skunky" beer), they chill quicker, they're harder to break and they're easier to stack in a cooler or fridge. At 6.2% ABV and 17 IBUs go grab a sixer of cans, a friend and watch the world turn for a while in the sun.

Outside of Michigan the crowd favorite is Hopmouth, a DIPA to remember. Coming it at 8.1% ABV and 76 IBUs this brew is incredibly well balanced. Arcadia imports high-quality Maris Otter malt, a two-row winter variety of barley that produces a flavor that obviously comes from a product grown for quality, not quantity. The malt works to balance the pine and citrus aroma and taste from the hops, which makes for a brew that goes down maybe a little too quickly; or you might turn into a hopmouth.

Arcadia Ales has a bit of everything. They have a rye ale, a scotch ale, a porter, pumpkin, chocolate stout, Irish red, and that's not even including their vintage series. Like the great wine-producing coastal regions of the world, Arcadia Ales has a vintage series that pays tribute to the natural qualities and historic craftsmanship that goes into each product. These brews are all produced once a year and consequently they change a little every time. The series consists

of Cereal Killer, a barleywine at 10% ABV and 60 IBUs; a self-titled Imperial Stout at 9.5%ABV and 82 IBUs; Big Dick's Olde Ale, an English-style olde ale at 8.8% ABV and 51 IBUs; and last but not least the barrel aged Shipwreck Porter that's aged in 10-year-old Kentucky bourbon oak barrels for 12 months in abandoned mines in Michigan, 12%ABV and 50 IBUs. All four of these brews are perfect for cellaring, if you have the patience, so drink one now and save one for later, you'll be happy you did.

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# IC LIGHT mango



by: Andrew Schroeder

Summer in Pittsburgh usually means a few things: trips to Kennywood, Pirates games, Pens playoff games, and the Stanley Cup (hopefully), and amidst all this, beer. Not that we beer enthusiasts don't enjoy beer year-round; there's just something about the summer heat that makes a beer much more enjoyable, almost a necessity. There's a reason more beer is sold in the summer than in any other time of the year. Moreover, since June 2011, the palates of Pittsburgh beer enthusiasts have been treated by Pittsburgh Brewing Company to a sweeter, richer flavor when the summer months roll around, and the city's favorite seasonal will be reappearing this year as expected. IC Light Mango has been a huge hit in Pittsburgh since its release, and it's becoming more successful every year. In fact, it's one of Pittsburgh Brewing Company's most popular and talked-about beers. Part of the appeal may lie in the brand's seasonal schedule; as anticipation for summer grows in dull and dreary spring days, beer

enthusiasts envision the perfect companion drink to those summer days, and for many, no beer will do but IC Light Mango.

Over the past few years, flavored beers have grown more and more common, and fruit beers in particular see popularity spikes in summer months. I and many other beer enthusiasts enjoy a lively, fruity flavor when the weather gets warm, and Pittsburgh Brewing Company has put its stake in this new territory. But to say IC Light Mango goes along with a trend would be to sell it short. While the creation of IC Light Mango was undoubtedly inspired by the rise of seasonal flavored beers, it would be most apt to see it as an improvement upon the trend, not a derivative of it. Over the past month, I've treated myself to many different flavored beers, especially ones with fruit flavorings. While they are usually pleasant, they too often become overpowering, too sweet, to the point where drinking more than one feels like drinking a smoothie – I love smoothies, sure, but I don't want one where I thought I had a beer. IC Light Mango does not taste like mango juice in a beer can; it tastes like beer with a mango twist. The two elements, American-style light lager and mango flavoring, complement each other; neither dominates the other.

Not only that, but mango itself is not your typical fruity beer flavoring. Summer beers are most often lemon- or lime-infused; you'll see some that have orange, others strawberry, others raspberry, but you don't see mango-flavored beers that often. And, compared to the other fruits listed, mango is an especially tropical and summery fruit to flavor a beer. Pittsburgh Brewing Company chose mango flavor not only because it would differentiate its summer fruit brew from others but because it simply fits better. Mango beers in the summer just make sense.

So yes, fans of IC Light Mango have the beer's





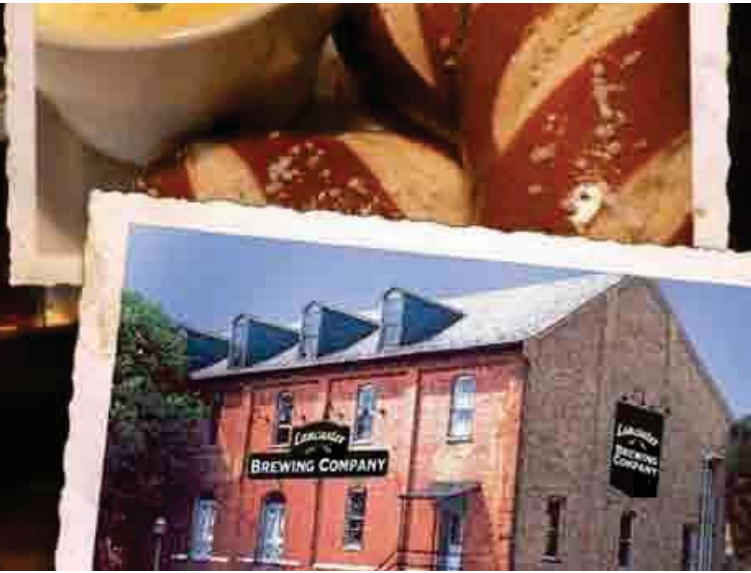


triumphant return to look forward to, but there's something new in the mix too. This year will be the first that the Pittsburgh Brewing Company is offering IC Light Mango on tap in addition to its traditional 24-pack. Speaking personally, I'd prefer a bottle to a can, but a draft beer tops it all; the flavors are fresher and stronger, more pronounced. And this year we'll have an opportunity to experience IC Light Mango in this format. I intend to get a 24-pack of bottles of IC Light Mango, but I'm definitely going to make a point of getting myself to a bar that has it on tap.

With the combination of IC Light Mango and the newer IC Light Berry, Pittsburgh Brewing Company is putting its own stamp on the fruit-flavored beer world, but in a newer and frankly better way. These don't taste like wine coolers as do many other fruit beers; they taste like beer with fruit infusions. They're drinkable and not too sweet at the same time. A summer in Pittsburgh without IC Light Mango is like one without concert tailgates or sweltering heat: just not the same.







# Lancaster Brewing Company

BY: Kyle Bloser

Lancaster Brewing Company has a rich history that has made them what they are today. Back in the 1800's Lancaster was the beer Mecca for the United States, having 15 breweries in the county. At that time they accounted for only 7% of the beer in the country. They also referred to Lancaster as the American equivalent of Munich, the famous German city known for its world recognized beers. It was considered to hold the same position as in the brewing industry back at that time. As time went on, thanks to World War One and Prohibition, 14 of the 15 breweries had to shut down. During Prohibition the brewery had to do much of

their brewing underground to stay open. Eventually, due to the strains of World War Two and thirteen years of literal underground brewing, the tradition of brewing finally had to shut its doors in 1956. This created a 39-year gap in this storied history of brewing high quality and well-known beer. In 1995 a place called Lancaster Malt Brewing opened, looking to build on this rich history and tradition. Lancaster Malt Brewing was eventually bought and became Lancaster Brewing Company in 2001. The company has made a commitment to follow the Reinheitsgebot, which is the German purity law for beer that says you can only use malts, hops, yeast, and water to brew beer.

The Mile Stout is a very traditional style of beer that has its roots in England. What makes this beer so unique is the fact that it's a sweet stout, due to the type of sugar that is added. They use lactose sugar, which is non-fermentable, allowing the beer to retain a sweetness since it can't be turned into alcohol. That is also where it gets its name since the lactose comes from milk. However, since it's a stout it's still very dark and barley based, allowing it to still have the dryness. This style of beer used to be advertised as nutritional due to the lactose sugar and was sold to pregnant and nursing mothers since there were nutrients added to the beer.

**The Strawberry Wheat** is Lancaster Brewing's take on a traditional American wheat beer with a twist of strawberry to make it very unique. The fruit flavor pairs well with the beer because wheat beers are known for their more fruity characteristics in the first place. This also allows the beer to lend itself well for summer drinking and enjoyed with any food. This beer is also very refreshing because it's a lighter beer in the first place, and adding a fruit to this beer gives it an even more refreshing finish, quenching your thirst while maintaining its smoothness. This is one of the main reasons that it is such a good summer beer, plus it pairs so well with traditional summer foods.

**Hop Hop IPA** is a traditional India pale ale. This beer is extremely hoppy, even for an India pale ale, characterized by the hoppy flavor with the malty balance. This is a great example of what an India pale ale is: it uses cascade and fuggles hops, which adds a







citrusy flavor. This allows the beer to be refreshing even though it is on the slightly bitter side due to the hops. It just makes you want to drink more of it after having that first sip. It is also on the stronger side for an IPA with an ABV of 7.7%. This is comparable to the higher end of the single IPA and is on the fringe of what most DIPAs are. A DIPA is a double IPA, which means it uses double the amount of hops than a traditional IPA. Both have great flavors, but this one is actually in between both. It's not quite a DIPA, but it is more than just an IPA.

**The Pale Ale** - This exceptional American Pale Ale is brewed to be the perfect balance of floral hop notes and smooth malt flavors. Its crisp and refreshing taste will surely have you reaching for another. It contains: Malts: 2 Row Barley, Caramel Malts. Hops: Willamette, Fuggles, Magnum. OG: 13.5 - ABV: 5.0% - IBU: 34



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On Friday June 28th the Sharp Edge will be offering our 5th annual “Ultimate Belgian Bier Dinner” being held in the “Great European Beerfest” tent. This year your host will be Lionel Van der Haegen of Brasserie de Silly Brewery. He will be telling you about life in Belgium as well as Belgian beer. The 5 course menu is as follows: Duck



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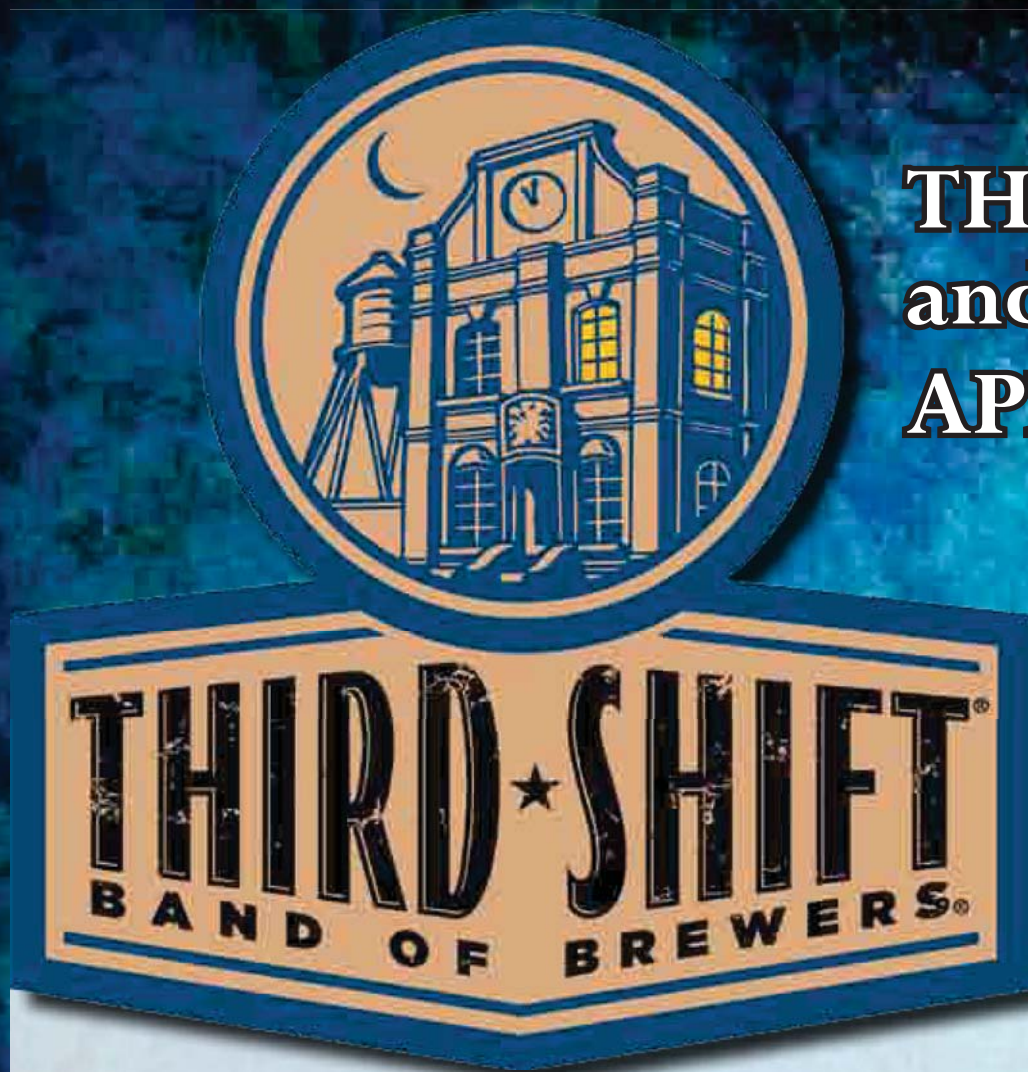
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# THIRD SHIFT and REDD'S APPLE ALE

by: Sean Creevey

**N**ew to the national beer scene are two brews that will leave your palate feeling excited about the future. Launched early this year, Third Shift Amber Lager and Redd's Apple Ale both capitalize on current industry trends; Third shift following the trend toward decidedly quaffable yet flavorful beers, and Redd's being a fruit-flavored option with somewhat sweeter flavors. Both are unique, yet approachable additions to the ever-evolving MillerCoors portfolio.

When you have a passion for something, working for it is pleasurable. I'm talking about not working for a paycheck, not working to make someone else happy, I'm talking about coming home from your 9-5 and starting your labor of love, your third shift. That is what Third shift is all about, that's what it came from, that's what it's for, getting your hands dirty and loving every minute of it.

Originally starting as a side project by some of the most respected brewers throughout MillerCoors they were just having some fun, working their third shift. They would get home from brewing all day at the brewery and then work on their own recipe. Eventually they would enter their baby into some competitions and people actually liked it, which coming from professional brewers really shouldn't be that surprising. Nonetheless, they entered it into a couple other competitions with even more success. Next thing you know the brew was launched nationally and it's still booming.

The goal of Third Shift is to have a beer that acts as a gateway into the craft beer world. This is a great function to

those who aren't beer nerds and never heard of a nitro stout or gets scared by the word saison. Third Shift is an approachable craft beer. It's not something crazy, not a one-off, but it's vaguely familiar and different enough to conjure up some curiosity as to what else is out there.

Third Shift is technically a marzen or Oktoberfest (they're essentially the same) that pours an amber color with a nice







frothy white head. Thus, in layman's terms, it's an amber lager, but don't be fooled: this is not the amber lager you've grown up with (no adjuncts here). Some have even gone as far as to call it a Vienna lager; however, with my privileged information, I can assure this is not the case. A Vienna lager technically needs to be made with Vienna malt, and Third Shift does not have that. What it does have is two-row Pale and Munich malts as well as Taurus and Spalt Select hops which yields a brew at 5.3% ABV and 21 IBUs.

Referred to as a gateway brew, you might think a lager is an interesting choice for such a function. Lagers aren't exactly known for their fancy flavors, and most craft beers are ales. Luckily the brewers that brought you Third Shift have something in the works for 2014. So keep your eyes and ears open for the next Third Shift.

#### Redd's Apple Ale:

Blurring the lines between a cider and a beer is Redd's apple ale. Released only this past January it has been a hit with everyone. It should be made perfectly clear, however, that this is beer, definitively, and not cider. This means that, unlike cider, Redd's is not gluten free, so don't mistake it for apple cider. Cider is essentially fermented apple juice, whereas Redd's is actually an ale with apple flavoring added to it. Due to alcoholic classification and taxation laws there is zero fermentable sugars coming from the forbidden fruit; that would necessitate a cider classification. However, there is still plenty of apple flavor going on in this brew. Don't let this intimidate you if you usually shy away from fruity beverages. Redd's is not your average alcoholic apple beverage: it smells like an apple, tastes like an apple, but feels like an ale.

Redd's is a brew that transcends typical types of beer drinkers since it has such a range of characteristics. There

are elements of beer, malt beverages and ciders alike that effectively open up the brew to a much larger audience. Redd's is certainly sweeter than most beers, but it's well balanced with the tartness by use of a Pale malt base and Galena hops. Weighing in at 5% ABV you can stand to have a couple of these, and the refreshing crispness of the apple flavor just makes this sweet brew slide down. With Redd's you won't have to worry about pleasing all of your guests; it works for every taste for every occasion.

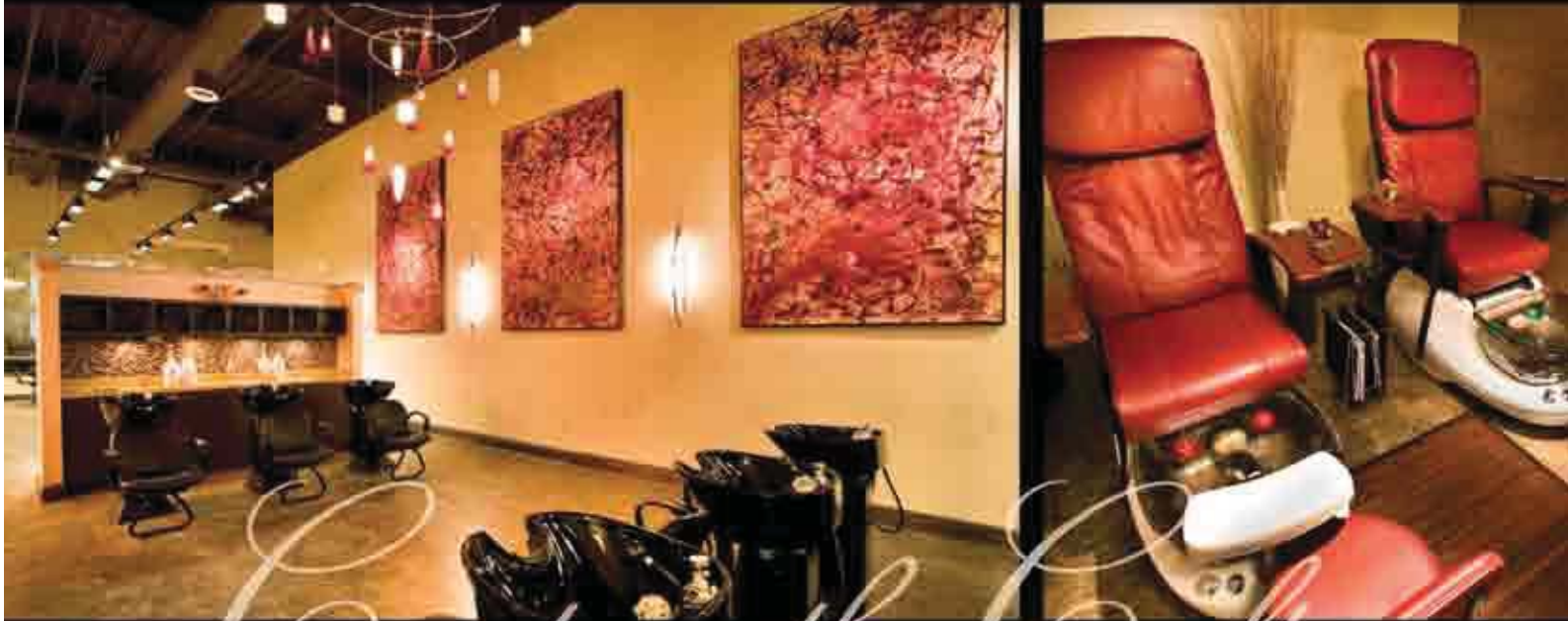
Keeping with the fruit theme, Redd's will also be releasing a new brew in the fall. This time it'll be strawberries that are added to the mix; a Redd's ale with a bit of strawberry. Stay tuned for more details to come. If it's anything like the original Redd's you won't want to miss it!





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# PYROTECNICO

**PYROFEST 2013 by Kyle Bloser Photos: Tom Strong**



**M**esmerizing, spectacular, outstanding, a visual and creative work of art! The Pyrotechnicians from Protecnicco and Ricardo Caballer, Ricasa Productions certainly outdid themselves by showing off their creativity, imagination and flawless execution with this astonishing show. A big congratulations from Nightwire on your production of this year's crowd pleasing performances! After the festival, everyone was buzzing about this show a breath taking, heart stopping thriller.. We can't wait until next year's PyroFest 2014! If you didn't catch the show this year, you need to plan now so that you don't miss this unforgettable Festival!

"An estimated 12,000 people came to the show, which made it an extremely successful event." Derek Weber, event director of PyroFest said, "Because of the success of this year's festival, we know without a doubt that we will be bringing Fireworks from America's Largest Fireworks Festival back to our hometown of Pittsburgh to become part of everyone's Memorial Day celebration." The shows are like nothing you have ever seen before in terms of fireworks and truly are works of art, much like a highly orchestrated performance, almost like an opera for example, orchestrated to music and perfectly timed. The first display of the night began at 9pm and preformed by Phantom Fireworks where they presented their superior line of consumer products. The second performance was : "Fantasy in the Sky" Fireworks Challenge presented

by winner of the challenge, Jon Loreto. His winning choreography kicked off the night-time fireworks display with a bang! This fantasy come true for Jon was truly breath-taking and his show was absolutely fantastic and truly loved by the crowd. Jon's show was set to music from Disney movies that we all have come to love! Fireworks were choreographed to songs from the Lion King, Aladdin, Beauty and the Beast, and the Little Mermaid just to name a few. This show was perfectly paired and timed precisely with the music to show off the playfulness and creativity that blended so well with the music. It was truly like a first class Disney production.

The next production was presented by world famous Ricardo Caballer, S.A. Ricasa Productions producers of extraordinary award winning displays. Ricasa Productions and products are considered the best in the industry and this show certainly proved to be nothing short of fantastic. Ricasa is home to the world's elite design team winning an unprecedented 50+ international competitions and awards over the past 2 decades. There were ground displays paired with aerial displays at different heights creating a layered effect of firework displays. This visual fantasy was truly a work of art and executed to perfection truly a world class performance.

The final performance of the night was presented by Pyrotecnico with their world premiere of Rock Loves II, an innovative, power-packed "sequel" display to their





award winning internationally acclaimed, full throttled Rock and Roll tribute, "Rock Loves." Rock Loves II brought in new, exciting choreography, effects and imagery; igniting the sky in perfect sync with a new line up of some of the greatest Rock and Roll songs ever recorded. Bright colors danced across the sky in unison with chest-thumping sound waves forming a rock concert in the sky that astounded us and left us in total awe! Songs like "Runnin' Down a Dream" by Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers and "Smells Like Teen Spirit" by Nirvana along with other artists like The Beatles and Pearl Jam. This show was a great tribute and perfect example of how music pairs perfectly and artfully with fireworks by using the tempo and the words to guide the displays. Weber continued by saying, "The reaction of the crowd was more than we could ever have imagined. Not a single person leaving the show left without a smile on their face."





# Games N'at

by Kyle Blosser

Games N'at is a very unique place. It's one of those places that when you walk in you just know it's going to be fun and a really cool experience. I took my girlfriend there as a "date night" and we had a blast! I had only been there once before, and it was for a fundraiser. My rugby team chose Games N'at as our fundraiser, which turned out to be one of our most successful ones.

Games N'at is definitely the perfect place for absolutely anything. You can take a date, hook up with your friends or have a giant party. This is the place for real affordable fun with so much to do and see. It is also BYOB, which makes it an ideal spot to have any type of event. With it being BYOB, you can purchase and bring your own alcohol rather than have to pay for individual drinks, which really keeps your out of pocket costs way down. They have catered party packages for any type of event that you could ever want, as well as fundraising and birthday party packages. All of these packages are very reasonable, especially for the experience that comes with it. Once you leave the giant banquet rooms, you find yourself walking into a completely different world of an old movie style snack bar where the most expensive food is like \$3. The menu has all of your childhood favorites from corndogs to cheese fries. They also have pizza and a ton of candies plus soft drinks you probably haven't seen in a while and candy that is considered retro. When you walk into the first room you will



see some retro games such as Galaga and the original Donkey Kong where you have to jump over the barrels and climb up to catch the princess. There are so many games that brought back childhood memories, ones that I had not seen in a really long time, which is just one of the many things that makes this place great. When it comes to games there is literally something here for everyone, from the latest computer games to a wide variety of arcade games old and new ranging from shooting games all the way to pinball. They also have games of skills like Cruisin' USA, which is a driving game that I played all the time when I was little. The coolest thing about the whole place is that it is all you can play which means you truly can have as much fun as you want for the one price you pay. I think one of the cool things that they have that you do not really see often is the shuffleboard bowling game; this is a shuffleboard that is set up like a bowling alley in small form but instead of balls you use a shuffleboard puck. They also have ticket games and their ticket redemption booth is home to some of the best prizes I have ever seen. Owner Marian Jones told me that she spends hours searching for unique and unusual prizes... not your typical prizes, just like Marian, a very cool, fun, hip, unique woman!

My favorite game was located on the top floor, which is where you will find duckpin bowling. Duckpin bowling is something

that is almost completely gone and is a treasure when you find it. It's a miniature version of bowling with smaller balls and smaller pins. This alone is worth the trip because it's truly a blast. All of these games are paired perfectly with antique and rare pieces that go with the games. For example in the bowling alley they have a picture of Richard Nixon bowling; this is the same picture that the dude had on the wall behind his bar at his house in the movie, The Big Lebowski. They also have pool tables in the back rooms with a television and a jukebox. The jukebox is a step into the past just like the entire place. It has so many songs on it, all vintage choices and all very cheap. For \$1 you got 5 songs. While we played pool and watched the Pens game we listened to songs such as "Step by Step" by New Kids on the Block and "Only Wanna Be With You" by Hootie & The Blowfish. Overall this place is a hidden treasure and a perfect place for anything! So next time it's a rainy day, sunny day or you're having a blue day and don't know what to do, grab your family or some friends, head on in and check out Games N'at. You definitely won't be disappointed. Located on the South Side at 2010 Josephine Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15203 - 412.481.2002 - Open Thursday through Sunday. [www.gamesnat.com](http://www.gamesnat.com)

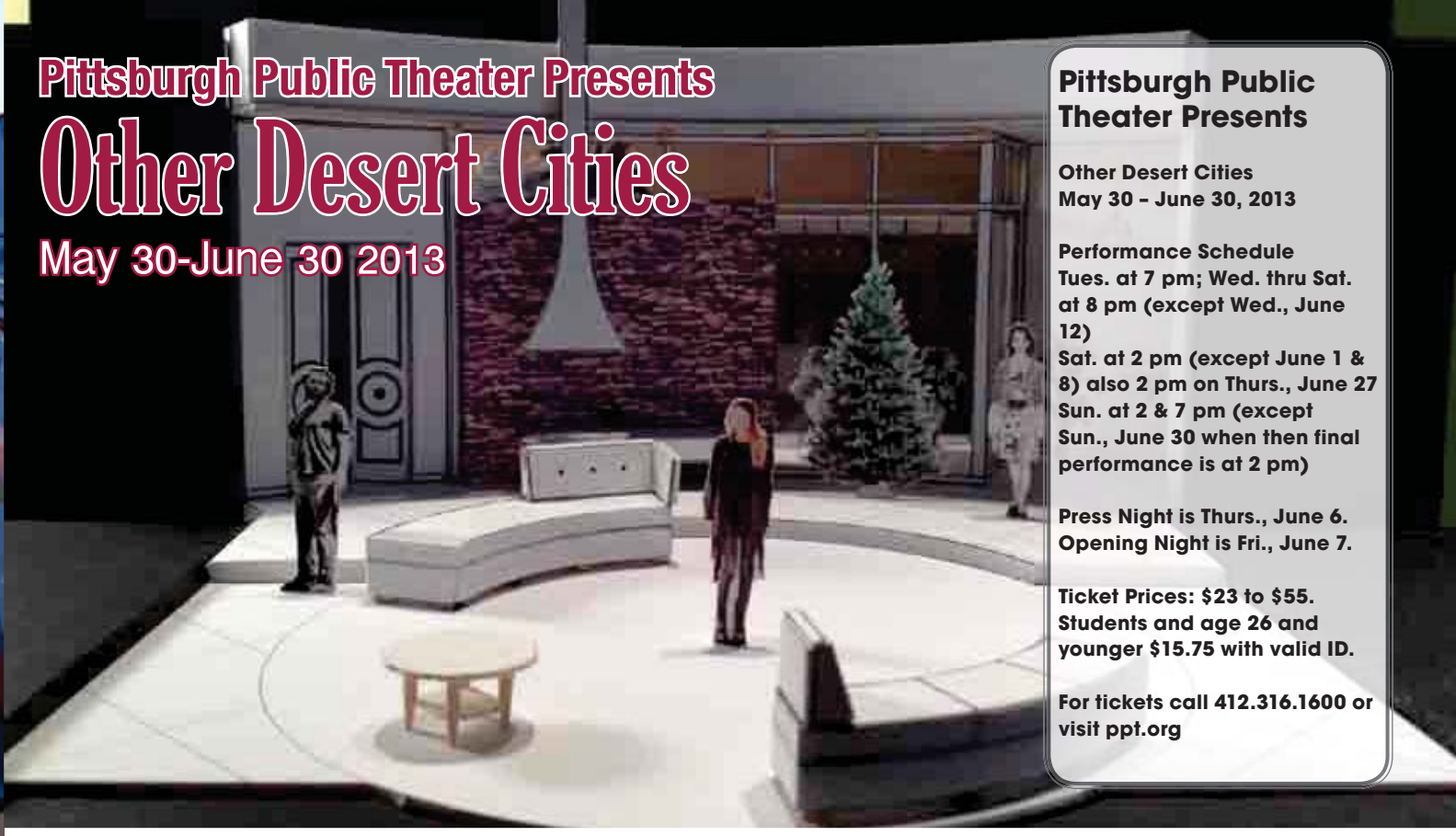




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Pittsburgh Public Theater's highly successful MADE IN AMERICA season concludes with Jon Robin Baitz's Broadway sensation *Other Desert Cities*, nominated for the 2012 Tony Award for Best Play. *Other Desert Cities* is directed by Rob Ruggiero, whose recent Broadway credits include *High* starring Kathleen Turner and *Looped* starring Valerie Harper. He was last at The Public to direct *Ella*. *Other Desert Cities* runs May 30 - June 30, 2013 at the O'Reilly Theater, Pittsburgh Public Theater's home in the heart of Downtown's Cultural District. For tickets call 412.316.1600 or visit [ppt.org](http://ppt.org). The engagement of Helena Ruoti in this production has been generously supported by Richard W. Moriarty, M.D.

*Other Desert Cities* takes place in 2004 in the Palm Springs home of Lyman Wyeth (James DeMarse), a retired actor-politician in the Ronald Reagan mold, and his impeccable wife Polly (Helena Ruoti). Their manicured life is upset when relatives arrive for the holidays including son Trip (John Patrick Hayden), who is a reality show producer, and Polly's wisecracking sister Silda Grauman (Susan Cella), who is just out of rehab. Most troubling is daughter Brooke (Pilar Witherspoon), who is about to

publish a revealing memoir. Baitz's funny, explosive and entertaining look at family politics won the Outer Critics Circle Award in 2011. Ben Brantley in the *New York Times* said: "Built with gleaming dialogue, tantalizing hints of a dangerous mystery and a structural care that brings to mind the heyday of Lillian Hellman, *Cities* has the appeal of a Broadway hit from another age."

The design team for Pittsburgh Public Theater's production of *Other Desert Cities* is Michael Schweikardt (Scenic), Amy Clark (Costumes), John Lasiter (Lighting), and Zach Moore (Sound). Casting is by McCorkle Casting. Alicia DeMara is the Production Stage Manager; Fredric H. Orner is the Assistant Stage Manager.

### About the Playwright

*Jon Robin Baitz's plays include The Film Society, The Substance of Fire, The End of the Day, Three Hotels, A Fair Country (Pulitzer Prize finalist 1996), Mizlansky/Zilinsky, Ten Unknowns, and The Paris Letter, as well as a version of Hedda Gabler (Broadway 2001). He created the TV series "Brothers & Sisters," which ran for five seasons, until 2011. Other TV work includes PBS' version of "Three Hotels" (Humanitas Award) and episodes of "The West Wing" and "Alias." He is a founding member of Naked Angels Theatre Company and on the MFA faculties at the New School for Drama and SUNY Stony Brook/Southampton.*





## Cat Rescue

Larry, a local football star, is jogging down the street when he sees a building on fire. A lady is standing on a third story ledge holding her cat in her arms. "Hey, lady", yells Larry, "Throw me the cat!" "No," she cries, "It's too far!" "I play football. I can catch him!" The smoke is pouring from the windows. The woman kisses her cat goodbye and tosses it down to the street. Larry keeps his eye on the cat as it comes hurtling down toward him. The feline bounces off an awning and he runs into the street to catch it. He jumps six feet into the air and makes a spectacular one-handed catch. The crowd that has gathered to watch the fire breaks into cheers. Larry does a little dance, lifts the cat above his head, wiggles his knees back and forth, then spikes the cat into the pavement.

## Fishing Riddle

On a sunny day, two fathers and two sons went fishing. Each one of them caught one fish. When they went home, there were only three fishes, why? Because a grandfather, a father and a son went fishing.

## Bumpy Car Ride

There were three guys in a car. One driving, the other in the passenger seat and one resting in the back. The guy in the back became sleepy and fell asleep. A few minutes later, he is startled by a "THUMP THUMP." "What the hell was that?" he shouted. The driver says, "It was just a redneck." "I felt two thumps, though," says the passenger. "Yeah we had to go through the fence to hit him."

## Dennis Rodman Ejected

Why did Dennis Rodman get kicked out of the game? Because his purse didn't match his shoes.

## Rookie Pitcher

A rookie pitcher was struggling at the mound, so the catcher walked up to have a talk with him. "I've figured out your problem," he told the young southpaw. "You always lose control at the same point in every game." "When is that?" "Right after the National Anthem."

## Old Timers Bar

Four old retired guys are walking down a street in Yuma, Arizona. They turn a corner and see a sign that says, "Old Timers Bar - ALL drinks 10 cents." They look at each other and then go in, thinking, This is too good to be true. The old bartender says in a voice that carries across the room, "Come on in and let me pour one for you! What'll it be, gentlemen?" There's a fully stocked bar, so each of the men orders a martini. In no time the bartender serves up four iced martinis - shaken, not stirred - and says, "That'll be 10 cents each, please." The four guys stare at the bartender for a moment, then at each other. They can't believe their good luck. They pay the 40 cents, finish their martinis, and order another round. Again,

four excellent martinis are produced, with the bartender again saying, "That's 40 cents, please." They pay the 40 cents, but their curiosity gets the better of them. They've each had two martinis and haven't even spent a dollar yet. Finally one of them says, "How can you afford to serve martinis as good as these for a dime apiece?" "I'm a retired tailor from Phoenix," the bartender says, "and I always wanted to own a bar. Last year I hit the Lottery jackpot for \$125 million and decided to open this place. Every drink costs a dime. Wine, liquor, beer - it's all the same." "Wow! That's some story!" one of the men says. As the four of them sip at their martinis, they can't help noticing seven other people at the end of the bar who don't have any drinks in front of them and haven't ordered anything the whole time they've been there. Nodding at the seven at the end of the bar, one of the men asks the bartender, "What's with them?" The bartender says, "They're retired people from Florida. They're waiting for Happy Hour when drinks are half-price."

## Cross the Road... Forgetful Chicken

Q: Why did the forgetful chicken cross the road?

A: To get to the other side -- er, no -- to go shopping -- no, not that either -- damn it.

## Cross the Road... One-Handed Man

Q: Why did the one-handed man cross the road?

A: To get to the second hand shop.

## Cross the Road... Blind Blonde

Q: Why did the blind blonde cross the road?

A: She was following her seeing-eye chicken.

## Cross the Road... Little Cow

Q: Why did the calf cross the road?

A: To get to the udder side.

## Cross the Road... Turkey

Q: Why did the turkey cross the road?

A: Because he wasn't a chicken.

## Bank On It

A man and a woman meet in an elevator. "Where are you heading today?" the man asks. "I'm going down to give blood." "How much do you get paid for giving blood?" "About \$20." "Wow," says the man, "I'm going up to donate sperm, and the sperm bank pays \$100." The woman angrily gets off the elevator. The next day, the man and woman meet in the elevator again. "Fancy meeting you again. Where you off to today?" "Sperm bank," she says with her mouth full.



## \$8 Bill

A crook mistakenly made a counterfeit \$8 bill instead of a \$10 bill. He decided to try it out anyway. He went to the teller at the local bank and asked for change. The teller looked at the \$8 bill and gave the crook two \$4 bills as change.

## Broken Cage

Q: What did the bird say after his cage fell apart?

A: "Cheap, cheap!"

## Beat the Casino

Q: What is the only way to keep your money from the casinos in Las Vegas?

A: When you get off the plane, walk into the propellers.

## German Currency

Q: What do you call counterfeited German currency?

A: Question marks.

## Forget About It

An elderly husband and wife visit their doctor when they begin forgetting little things. Their doctor tells them that many people find it useful to write themselves little notes. When they get home, the wife says, "Dear, will you please go to the kitchen and get me a dish of ice cream? And maybe write that down so you won't forget?" "Nonsense," says the husband, "I can remember a dish of ice cream." "Well," says the wife, "I'd also like some strawberries and whipped cream on it." "My memory's not all that bad," says the husband. "No problem -- a dish of ice cream with strawberries and whipped cream. I don't need to write it down." He goes into the kitchen; his wife hears pots and pans banging around. The husband finally emerges from the kitchen and presents his wife with a plate of bacon and eggs. She looks at the plate and asks, "Hey, where's the toast I asked for?"

## Engineers and Light Bulbs

Q: How many engineers does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Hell, you need 250 just to lobby for the research grant.

## Baking Chocolate Chip Cookies

Q: How can you tell that a blonde's been baking chocolate chip cookies?

A: There's M&M shells all over the floor.

## That Dam Ham

A preacher's wife goes to the butcher. The butcher asks if she'd like to try some dam ham. The preacher's wife is shocked. The butcher explains that "Dam Ham" is the brand name of the meat and shows her the packaging with the beaver and dam logo. That night, the preacher asks, "What's for dinner?" His wife says she bought some dam ham from the butcher. The preacher scolds his wife for using such language in their home. She explains the "Dam

Ham brand name and their logo. At the dinner table, the preacher asks his 16-year-old son to pass him the "Dam Ham." The son replies, "I'll pass the dam ham if you pass me the muthaf\*\*\*in' mashed potatoes."

## Dead in His Cornflakes

Q: Did you hear about the guy they found dead with his head in his cornflakes?

A: The police thought it was a cereal killer.

## Irish Eats Italian

Q: What does an Irishman get after eating Italian food?

A: Gaelic breath.

## Blonde in a Library

A blonde walks into a library and says to the librarian, "Can I have a burger and fries?" "Sorry, this is a library." So the blonde whispers, "Oh, sorry. May I have a burger and fries?"

## Mad Cow Concern

A husband and wife go to a restaurant. The waiter approaches the table to take their order. "I'll have your biggest, juiciest steak," says the husband. "But sir, what about the mad cow?" asks the waiter. "Oh," says the husband, "she'll order for herself."



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## A Meal to Die For

There was an Englishman, a Scotsman and an Irishman working on the top of a cliff. The Englishman said, "If I have cheese in my sandwich tomorrow, I'll jump off this cliff." The Scotsman said, "If I have jam in my sandwich tomorrow, I'll jump off the cliff." The Irishman said, "If I have ham tomorrow, I'll jump off the cliff." The next day, the Englishman had cheese, the Irishman had ham, and the Scotsman had jam. So they all jumped. At the funerals, the wives of the Scotsman and Englishman said, "Why didn't they just tell us they didn't like their sandwiches?" The Irish lady said, "I don't know why my husband jumped off the cliff. He made his own sandwiches."

## Blonde Meets Cheerios

Q: What did the blonde say when she saw a box Cheerios?  
A: "Wow! Doughnut seeds!"

## Got Nuts?

A girl walks into a grocery store and asks the stock boy if he has any nuts. The guy says, "No, ma'am." She says, "Well, do you have any dates?" And he says, "Ma'am, if I don't have nuts, do you really expect me to have dates?"

## Beans and Onions

Q: What do you get when you mix beans and onions?  
A: Tear gas.

## Japanese Pizza

An American businessman goes to Japan on a business trip. He hates Japanese food, so he asks the concierge at his hotel if there's any place where he can get a pizza. The concierge tells him he will call for delivery to his room and takes his order. Thirty minutes later, the delivery guy shows up. The businessman takes the pizza and starts sneezing uncontrollably. He asks the delivery man, "What the heck did you put on this pizza?" The delivery man bows deeply and says, "Just what you ordered -- pepper only."

## 45 Quarts of Milk

A milkman comes across an order for 45 quarts of milk. Puzzled, he decides to ask the customer if this is a mistake. When he knocks on the door, a woman comes out with just a bath towel around her. She confirms that she wants 45 pints. "Milk baths are good for your skin," explains the woman. "Oh, OK," says the milkman. "Do you need it pasteurized then?" "No," says the woman. "Up to my boobs will be fine."

## Blonde and Pizza

A blonde orders a pizza and the clerk asks if he should cut it in six or 12 pieces. She responds, "Six, please. I could never eat 12 pieces."



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## Lawyers Love Sushi

Q: Hear about the new sushi bar that caters exclusively to lawyers?

A: It's called Sosumi.

## Cinderella Has A Camera?

What did Cinderella say when she left the photo store? Someday my prints will come...

## Bird Brained

Two Irishmen walk into a pet shop. Right away they go to the bird section and Sean says to Paddy; "Dat's Dem". The shopkeeper comes over and asks if he can help. "Yeah, we'll take four of dem dere budgies in dat cage op dere", says Mick, "Put dem in a pepper bag." The shopkeeper does as asked and the two pay for the birds and leave. They get into Mick's van and drive until they reach a cliff with a 500ft drop. "Dis looks loike a grand place", says Mick. He then takes the two birds out of the bag, places them on his shoulders and jumps off the cliff. Paddy watches as his friend drops off the edge and goes straight down for a few seconds followed by a loud "Splat!" As Paddy looks over the edge of the cliff he shakes his head. "Focket Dat," Paddy says, "dis budgie jumpin" is too dangerous for me..." A few minutes later, Seamus approaches. He too has been to the pet shop and is carrying the familiar 'pepper bag.' Seamus pulls

a parrot out of the bag and Paddy notices that in the other hand Seamus is carrying a gun. "Watch this Paddy" he says, as he launches himself over the edge of the cliff. Paddy watches as half way down Seamus takes the gun and blows the parrot's head off. Seamus continues to plummet until he joins Sean's mashed remains at the bottom of the cliff. Paddy shakes his head and says, "An oim never troyin" that parrotshooting oider..." After a few minutes, Danny strolls up. He too has been to the pet shop and walks up with his 'pepper bag.' Danny pulls a chicken out of the bag. He puts the chicken above his head, holds its legs and launches himself off the cliff with the same result. Once more Paddy shakes his head. "For me life Danny, first der was Sean wit his budgie jumpin, den Seamus parrotshooting and now you fockin" hengliding..."

## Bullfight Buffet

A man goes to Spain and attends a bullfight. Afterwards he goes to a nearby restaurant and orders the specialty of the day. The waiter brings him two very big balls on a huge plate, which the tourist eats with relish. The next day he goes to the same restaurant again, once again orders the specialty of the day, and he is brought two very big balls on a huge plate. It tastes even more scrumptious. The third day he does the same and the fourth, but on the fifth day he goes to the restaurant and orders the specialty of the day, and they bring him two very small balls on a big plate. The man asks, "What gives?" And the waiter says, "Senor, the bullfighter doesn't always win!"

## Chilling with the Eskimo

What do Eskimos get from sitting on a block of ice? Polaroids!

## A Fruity Dilemma

There were three men who got stranded on an island. A group of cannibals found the three men and took them to their place in the tropical rainforest of an island. The cannibals told the three men to go in the rainforest and find ten of the same fruits each. So the three of them went into the woods to get fruits. An hour later they all came back. The first man brought ten apples. The Cannibals told the man to push all the apples up his butt with out crying, if he did not cry, the cannibals would let him go. The man pushed five up his butt then cried. The cannibals ate him. The second man brought ten berries. The Cannibals told him to push all the berries up his rear without laughing, and if he didn't laugh, they would let him go. The man pushed nine up his rear then laughed. The cannibals ate him. Up in heaven the first man asked the second man, "Why did you laugh, you were so close!" The second man says, "I couldn't help it, the next guy came with ten pineapples. "

## Cows In Government

- FEUDALISM: You have two cows. Your lord takes some of the milk.





- **PURE SOCIALISM:** You have two cows. The government takes them and puts them in a barn with everyone else's cows. You have to take care of all the cows. The government gives you as much milk they think you need.
- **BUREAUCRATIC SOCIALISM:** You have two cows. The government takes them and puts them in a barn with everyone else's cows. They are cared for by ex-chicken farmers. You have to take care of the chickens the government took from the chicken farmers. The government gives you as much milk and eggs the regulations say you should need.
- **FASCISM:** You have two cows. The government takes both, hires you to take care of them, and sells you the milk.
- **PURE COMMUNISM:** You have two cows. Your neighbors help you take care of them, and you all share the milk.
- **RUSSIAN COMMUNISM:** You have two cows. You have to take care of them, but the government takes all the milk.
- **CAMBODIAN COMMUNISM:** You have two cows. The government takes both and shoots you.
- **DICTATORSHIP:** You have two cows. The government takes both and drafts you.
- **PURE DEMOCRACY:** You have two cows. Your neighbors decide who gets the milk.
- **REPRESENTATIVE DEMOCRACY:** You have two cows. Your neighbors pick someone to tell you who gets the milk.
- **BUREAUCRACY:** You have two cows. At first the

government regulates what you can feed them and when you can milk them. Then it pays you not to milk them. Then it takes both, shoots one, milks the other and pours the milk down the drain. Then it requires you to fill out forms accounting for the missing cows.

- **PURE ANARCHY:** You have two cows. Either you sell the milk at a fair price or your neighbors try to take the cows and kill you.
- **ANARCHO-CAPITALISM:** You have two cows. You sell one and buy a bull.

## Handbags

The Englishman's, Irishman's and Scotsman's wives go shopping one day to a big department store. While they are there a fire breaks out. Everyone in the store is killed, including the three women. Their husbands are summoned to the local police station where a policewoman breaks the news to them: "I'm afraid sirs, that we believe your wives were killed in the fire at the department store. However the fire was so intense we cannot identify the bodies. Only their handbags survived the blaze. Can you identify your wives' handbags from these three found in the store?" The three men all look at the handbags and each one is able to identify one of the handbags as belonging to his wife. With all handbags accounted for the policewoman leaves the men to deal with their grief in peace. The three men sit in silence for a while, then the Englishman



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opens his wife's handbag and rummages through the contents, finally pulling out a half-empty packet of cigarettes and says "All these years married and I never knew the old girl smoked." The Scotsman looks into his wife's handbag and pulls out a half-empty bottle of scotch. "Jings, I knew her all that time an ah didnae ken ma missus drank." The Irishman empties his wife's handbag onto the floor, looks through the contents and picks up a half empty packet of condoms. "'Saints preserve us! All dese years an oi never knew me wife was a man."

## ABC

Wilfred had just learned his ABC's and was very scared of doing them in front of the class. The teacher, though, told him that the best way to conquer his fears would be to just go ahead and do it. So, trembling, he stood in front of the class and began. "ABCDEFGHJKLMNOQRSTUVWXYZ." "Very good, Wilfred. But you forgot the P. Where's the P? "It's running down my leg."

## Circus Elephant

A couple took their young son for his first visit to the circus. When his father left to buy popcorn, the boy asked, "Mom, what's that long thing on the elephant?" "That's the elephant's trunk, dear," she replied. "No, Mom, down underneath." His mother blushed and said, "Oh, that's nothing." The father returned, and the mother went off to get a soda. As soon as she left, the boy repeated his question. The father took

a good look and explained, "That's the elephant's penis." "Dad, how come when I asked Mom, she said it was nothing?" The man took a deep breath and replied, "Son, I've spoiled that woman."

## Big Family

After an overnight flight to meet my father at his latest military assignment, my mother wearily arrived at Rhein-Main Air Base in Germany with my eight siblings and me -- all under age 11. Collecting our many suitcases, the ten of us entered the cramped customs area. A young customs official watched our entourage in disbelief, "Ma'am," he said, "do all these children and this luggage belong to you?" "Yes, sir," my mother said with a sigh, "they're all mine." The customs agent began his interrogation: "Ma'am, do you have any weapons, contraband or illegal drugs in your possession?" "Sir," she calmly answered, "if I'd had any of those items, I would have used them by now."

## It Figures

A man and his son walk in the park and come upon two dogs humping. The son asks, "Dad what are those dogs doing?" The dad says, "Well, the dog on top must have hurt his two front paws, and that dog on the bottom is helping him home." The son turns to his father and says, "It figures -- every time you try to help someone out, you always get screwed."

## First Cut is the Deepest


Once upon a time, two little boys, Sammy and Tim, were sharing a room in the hospital. As they were getting to know each other a little bit, Sammy eventually asked Tim, "Hey, what're you in for?" "I'm getting my tonsils out. I'm a little worried," said Tim. "Oh, don't worry about it," Sammy said. "I had my tonsils out and it was a blast! I got to eat all the ice cream and Jell-O I wanted for two weeks!" "Oh yeah?" replied Tim. "That's not half-bad. So, Sammy, how about you? What're you here for?" "I'm getting a circumcision, whatever that is," Sammy answered. "Oh my god, circumcision? I got one of those when I was a baby and I couldn't walk for two years!"

## Feet First

One day little Danny was in Sunday School, and the preacher asked what part of the body went to heaven first. Susie said your heart, 'cause you need it to love. Richie said your head, 'cause you need it to think. Little Danny raised his hand and the pastor called on him reluctantly. Danny said, "Your feet." Confused, the pastor asked why. Danny replied, "I was walking past my mom's room last night and she had her feet in the air and then she screamed, "Oh God, I'm coming!"

## Fish Brains

Q: What did the fish say when he swam into a cement wall?  
A: Dam



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## God's Dead Dog

Mom and Dad were trying to console Susie, whose dog, Skipper, had recently died. "You know," Mom said, "it's not so bad. Skipper's probably up in Heaven right now, having a grand old time with God." Susie stopped crying and asked, "What would God want with a dead dog?"

## Close Enough For Government

Three young boys were fighting over whose dad was the best. "My dad is so good he can shoot an arrow, run after it, get in front of it, and catch it in his bare hands." "My dad is so good that he can shoot a gun, run after the bullet, get in front of it and catch it in his bare hands." "I've got you both beat. My dad's so good because he works for the city. He gets off work at 5:00 and is home by 3:30."

## Future Handicapping

A notable government official was out jogging one morning along the parkway when he tripped, fell over the bridge railing and landed in the creek below. Before the Secret Service guys could get to him, three kids, who were fishing, pulled him out of the water. He was so grateful he offered the kids whatever they wanted. The first kid said, "I want to go to Disneyland." The man said, "No problem. I'll take you there on my jet". The second kid said, "I want a new pair of Nike Air Jordan's." The man said, "I'll get them for you and even have Michael sign them!" The third kid said, "I want a motorized wheelchair with a built-in TV and stereo headset!!" the man is a little perplexed by this and says, "But you don't look like you are handicapped." The kid says, "I will be after my dad finds out I saved your ass from drowning!"

## Happy Butt

A teacher asks the new student her name. The girl replies, "Happy Butt." The teacher says, "I don't think that's your name. You need to go to the principal's office and get this straightened out." The girl goes to the principal's office and he asks, "What's your name?" The little girl says, "Happy Butt." The principal calls the girl's mother to get the truth. After getting off the phone, he says, "Honey, your name is Gladys, not Happy Butt." The girl exclaims, "Glad Ass -- Happy Butt -- what's the difference?"

## Damned If I Know

A kindergarten class had a homework assignment to find out about something exciting and relate it to the class the next day. When the time came to present what they'd found, the first little boy walked up to the front of the class made a small white dot on the blackboard and sat back down. Puzzled, the teacher asked him just what it was. "It's a period," said the little boy. "Well, I can see that," she said, "but what is so exciting about a period?" "Damned if I know," said the little boy, "but this morning my sister was missing one, Daddy had a heart attack, Mommy fainted, and the man next door shot himself."

## Krazy Homework Excuses

1. Last night I got temporary amnesia and I totally forgot!
2. My older sister couldn't find her same homework from last year.
3. The dog did it for me, but it was in his language.
4. The paper airplane I made out of it accidentally flew out the window.
5. I fell asleep on it and when I woke up all my drool smudged all the ink.
6. It is here it's just in invisible ink!
7. Satan told me not to do it!
8. I'm at school?!? I thought this was an AA meeting.
9. My dad's pen ran out of ink.
10. My Mom ate my homework!

## Abstinence

Three couples went in to see the minister to see how to become members of his church. The minister said that they would have to go without sex for two weeks and then come back and tell him how it went. The first couple was retired, the second couple was middle-aged and the final couple was newlywed. Two weeks went by, and the couples returned to the minister. The retired couple said it was no problem at all. The middle-aged couple said it was tough for the first week, but after that, it was no problem. The newlyweds said it was fine until she dropped the can of paint. "Can of PAINT!" exclaimed the minister. "Yeah," said the newlywed man. "She dropped the can and when she bent over to pick it up I had to have her right there and then. Lust took over." The minister just shook his head and said that they were not welcome in the church. "That's okay," said the man. "We're not welcome in Home Depot either."

## All Alone

If a man is alone in the forest, without any women, is he still wrong?

## The Answer

A chicken and an egg are lying in bed. The chicken takes out a cigarette and begins to smoke. The egg, get very mad, takes one look at the chicken, rolls over and pulls the blanket over him and says, "I guess we answered that question!"

## No Backseat Blonde

A blonde goes on a hot date and ends up making out with the guy in his car. The guy asks if she would like to go in the backseat. "No!" yells the blonde. Things get even hotter, and the guy asks again. "For the last time, no!" says the blonde. Frustrated, the guy asks, "Well, why the hell not?" The blonde says, "Because I wanna stay up here with you!"

## Tanning Blondes

One day 2 blondes walked into a tanning salon. One blonde said, "A tan for 2 please!" The cashier said, "Ok," filled out a form

for them and asked, "are you two sisters?" They chuckled and replied, "No, we aren't even Catholic."

## Blondes and Airplanes

A blonde rings up an airline. She asks, "How long are your flights from America to England?" The woman on the other end of the phone says, "Just a minute..." The blonde says, "Thanks!" and hangs up the phone.

## The Power of God Can't Raise Your Load

One Sunday afternoon an older couple was listening to a holy station on the radio. They were about 98 years old and so frail, they couldn't walk to church. The preacher said, "If you put one hand on the radio and one hand on whatever you want healed I will heal it for you." So the old woman put one hand on the radio and one hand on her heart. The old man tried to not let the old woman see but he put one hand on the radio and one hand on his penis. The old woman looked over and said, "He said he could heal, not raise the dead!"

## If Men Ruled the World... Laws

- Lifeguards could remove citizens from beaches for violating the "public ugliness" ordinance.
- Car rental agencies would rent tanks.
- Telephones would automatically cut off after 30 seconds of conversation.

- It would be perfectly legal to steal a sports car as long as you returned it within 24 hours with a full tank of gas.
- Get Out of Jail Free cards would be considered legal documents.

## Devil in the Church

One Sunday morning, Satan appeared before a small town congregation. Everyone started screaming and running for the front church door, trampling each other in a frantic effort to get away. Soon, everyone was gone, except for an elderly gentleman who sat calmly. Satan walked up to the man and said, "Don't you know who I am?" The man replied, "Yep, sure do." Satan asked, "Aren't you going to run?" "Nope, sure ain't," said the man. Perturbed, Satan asked, "Why aren't you afraid of me?" The man calmly replied, "Been married to your sister for over 48 years."

## Ending It All

A very old woman realizes that she's seen and done everything and the time has come to depart from this world. After considering various methods of doing away with herself, she decides to shoot herself through the heart. Not wanting to make a mistake, she phones her doctor and asks him the exact location of the heart. He tells her that the heart is located two inches below the left nipple. The old woman hangs up the phone, takes careful aim and shoots herself in the left knee.

## Geriatric Acrobatics

Two old women were talking about their sex lives. Ethel was upset because her sex life had really died, while Mildred said her sex life was great. Mildred counseled Ethel, "When my Sammy is getting ready for bed, I get undressed, lie on the bed, and put both legs behind my head. When he sees me like that, he gets so excited, we have wild sex the rest of the night." Ethel said, "I'm going to try that tonight." While Ethel's husband Harold was in the bathroom that night, she took off all her clothes. She struggled to get both legs behind her head. After accomplishing this great feat, Ethel fell backwards and couldn't move.

Harold came out of the bathroom with a shocked look on his face. "For God's sake Ethel, comb your hair and put your teeth in. You look like an a\*\*hole."

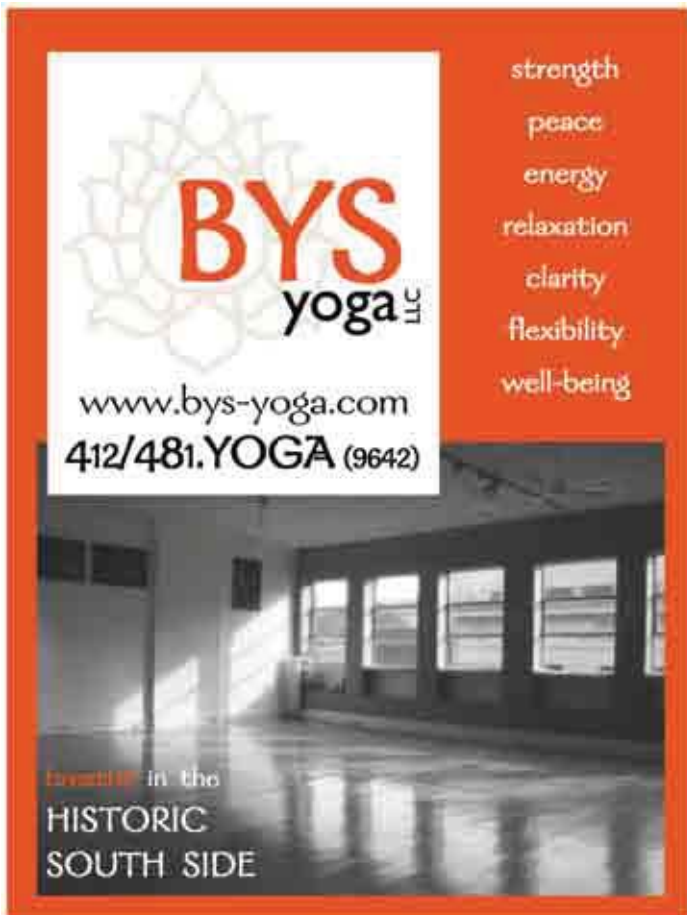
## Dead Again

A funeral service is held for a woman who just passed away. As the pallbearers carry the casket out, they accidentally bump into a wall. They hear a faint moan. They open the casket and find that the woman is actually alive. She lives for 10 more years and then dies. They have another funeral for her. At the end of the service, the pallbearers carry out the casket. As they are walking, the husband cries out, "Watch out for the wall!"

## The 45 Difference

Q: What's the difference between a girlfriend and a wife?

A: 45 lbs.





Q: What's the difference between a boyfriend and a husband?

A: 45 minutes.

### **Divorce and Circumcision**

Q: What's the difference between a divorce and a circumcision?

A: In a divorce, you get rid of the whole schmuck.

### **Disney Divorce Court**

Mickey Mouse and Minnie Mouse are in divorce court. "Mickey," the judge says, "I'm sorry. I can't grant you a divorce on the grounds of insanity. Minnie seems quite sane to me." "I didn't say she was insane," exclaims Mickey. "I said she was f\*\*\*\*g Goofy."

### **Divorced Barbie**

Q: What comes with the new Divorced Barbie doll?

A: All Ken's stuff.

### **At the Door**

Q: If your wife is shouting at the front door and your dog is barking at the back door, who do you let in first?

A: The dog, of course. At least he'll shut up after you let him in.

### **Engineer and the Frog**

An engineer crosses a road when a frog calls out to him, "If you kiss me, I'll turn into a beautiful princess." He bends over, picks up the frog and puts it in his pocket. The frog speaks up again and says, "If you kiss me and turn me back into a beautiful princess, I will stay with you for one week." The engineer takes the frog out of his pocket, smiles at it and returns it to the pocket. The frog then cries out, "If you kiss me and turn me back, I'll do whatever you say!" Again the engineer takes the frog out, smiles at it and puts it back into his pocket. Finally, the frog asks, "What is the matter? I've told you I'm a beautiful princess, I'll stay with you for a month and do whatever you say. What more do you want?" The engineer says, "Look, I'm an engineer. I don't have time for a girlfriend, but a talking frog, now that's cool!"

### **Belated Guardian Angel**

Walking down the street, a man hears a voice: "Stop! If you take one more step, a brick will fall down and kill you." The man stopped; a big brick fell in front of him. The astonished man continued walking to the cross walk. The voice shouted, "Stop! If you take one more step, a car will run over you and you will die." The man stood still; a car came careening around the corner, barely missing him. "Where are you?" the man asked. "Who are you?" "I am your guardian angel," the voice answered. "Oh yeah?" the man asked. "Where the heck were you when I got married last week?"

### **After the Honeymoon**

A couple returns from their honeymoon refusing to speak to each other. The groom's best friend takes him aside and asks what's wrong. "Well," replies the man, "when we finished making love

on the first night, I put a \$50 bill on the pillow without thinking." "Oh, you shouldn't worry about that too much," says his friend. "I'm sure your wife will get over it soon enough. She can't expect you to have been saving yourself all these years." "That's not the problem," the groom says. "She gave me back a \$20!"

### **Hot Breakfast**

An old couple celebrates their 50th wedding anniversary in their home. "Just think," the old man says, "we were sitting here at this same breakfast table, naked as jaybirds, 50 years ago." "Well," the old lady snickers, "what do you say -- should we get naked?" The two immediately strip to the buff and sit back down at the table. "You know, honey," the little old lady says slyly, "My breasts burn for you now as they did 50 years ago." "I'm not surprised," replies the old man. "One's in your coffee and the other is in your oatmeal!"

### **The Husband's Best Friend**

A woman meets with her lover, who is also her husband's best friend. They make love for hours. Afterwards, as they lie in bed, the phone rings. Since it's the woman's house, she picks up the receiver. The best friend listens, only hearing her side of the conversation: "Hello? Oh, hi... I'm so glad that you called... Really? That's wonderful... Well, I'm happy to hear you're having such a great time... Oh, that sounds terrific... Love you, too. OK. Bye-bye." She hangs up the telephone and her lover asks, "Who was



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that?" "Oh," she replies, "That was my husband telling me about the wonderful time he's having on his fishing trip with you."

## Just Depends

Two old people flirt at a seniors' singles bar. After a few drinks, the old man asks the old woman, "If I took you out for a full night of wining, dining and dancing, what would you wear?" The old woman replies shyly, "Depends... ." "Depends on what?" he asks. "On my bottom -- where else?!"

## Fence of Love

A couple celebrates their 30th anniversary by re-walking their first walk together. They come to the fence against which they first made love. The husband says, "Come on, for old time's sake." The wife agrees and they both undress. Afterwards, the husband says, "You're even better than you were 30 years ago." His wife replies, "That fence wasn't electrified 30 years ago!"

## Mama Helps the Honeymooners

Two Italian virgins marry and go on their honeymoon. Unfortunately, neither knows what to do when they get there. The newlyweds call the groom's mother for advice. The mother says that they should sit on the bed together, snuggle, and things should happen from there. The newlyweds do this, but nothing happens. The groom calls his mother back. She says they should take their clothes off, get under the covers, and nature should take its course. The bride and groom take his mother's advice, but still nothing comes to mind. He calls his mother a third time. Getting frustrated with the situation, she says, "Listen, just take the biggest thing you have and stick it in her hairiest spot!" The groom is quiet for a moment and then asks his mother, "I've got my nose in her armpit -- now what?"

## Man's Intelligence

Q. What do you call a man who has lost 90% of his intelligence?  
A. Divorced.

## Man at Bedtime

A husband and wife sleep in separate twin beds. One night he asks his wife to come over to his bed to fool around. As the wife gets up to walk over to his bed, she trips over the carpet and falls flat on her face. The husband looks up concerned and says, "Oh did my little wifey fall on her little nosey wosey?" She laughs and gets in his bed. When they are done, she gets up to go back to her bed and falls over the rug again. Her husband looks over his shoulder to see her on the floor, rolls over and says, "Clumsy b\*\*\*h."

## Heavenly Marital Help

Betty and Tim die in a car accident on the eve of their wedding. In Heaven, they ask St. Peter if they can still be married. "Well, let me find out if this is possible. Stay here and I will be right back." Six months pass and Peter returns. "Yes, we can do this for you." The couple asks, "Well, as we have spent so much time together

waiting for your answer, we need to know that if things don't work out, is there a possibility that we can be divorced?" To which St. Peter answers, "It took me six months to find a priest up here -- how long do you think it will take me to find a lawyer?"

## Golfing With the Mob

Two strangers meet on a golf course and decide to play together. One man says, "I'm a salesman. What about you?" "I'm a hit man for the mob," replies the second man. He pulls out a high powered rifle loaded with scopes and sights. He then asks the man where he lives. Nervously, the first man replies, "In a subdivision just west of here. Gray roof, yellow siding." "You got a silver compact and a red pickup?" "The compact is my wife's car, but that's my buddy Jeff's truck." The hit man looks through the scope again. "Well, they're going at it like teenagers in your bedroom." "I want you to shoot her in the head and shoot him in the balls." The hit man says, "I get paid \$5,000 per shot." "I don't care! Just do it!" The hit man takes careful aim and says, "This is your lucky day. You're going to get a two for one!"

## The Mortician's Big Discovery

While examining the body of Mr. Schwartz, a mortician notices that Schwartz has the largest penis he has ever seen. "I'm sorry, Mr. Schwartz," says the mortician, "But I can't send you to be cremated with a tremendously huge penis like this. It has to be saved for posterity." The mortician removes the penis, places it in a jar and puts the jar in his briefcase. When he gets home, he decides to show it to his wife. "I have something to show you that you won't believe," he says, removing the jar from his briefcase. "Oh my God!" she screams, "Schwartz is dead!"

## Moth Inspector

A man walks into his bedroom after work and is surprised to find his wife lying naked on the bed. After careful examination, he spies a pair of bare feet sticking out from underneath the curtains. He rips open the blinds to find a naked man standing there. "Who the hell are you?" he yells. The naked guy replies, "I'm the moth inspector." "Oh, yeah? What are you doing naked?" He looks down and exclaims, "Oh my God, I'm too late!"

## Fishing Pajamas

A man phones home from the office and tells his wife, "Something has just come up. I need to go fishing with the boss for the weekend. We leave right away, so can you pack my clothes, my fishing equipment, and my blue silk pajamas? I'll be home in an hour to pick them up." He hurries home, grabs everything and rushes off. Sunday night, he returns. His wife asks, "Did you have a good trip?" "Oh yes, great! I think I really impressed the boss. But you forgot to pack my blue silk pajamas." "Oh, no I didn't. I put them in your tackle box."



## New Family for the Parrot

A housewife buys a parrot to keep her company during the day. The clerk warns that the parrot was donated by a brothel, where he may have picked up some colorful language. The housewife doesn't mind and brings the parrot home. When she uncovers the cage, the parrot says, "Brawkk! New Madam. Hello Madam." When her three daughters come home from school, the parrot says, "Brawkk! New Girls. Hello Girls." Finally, her husband, Phil, comes home from work, just in time for dinner. When he walks past the parrot, the parrot says, "Brawkk! Hi Phil!"

## Husbands' Performance

Three women talk about their husband's performance as lovers. The first woman says, "My husband is a marriage counselor, so he always buys me flowers and candy before we make love." The second woman says, "My husband is a motorcycle mechanic. He likes to play rough and use leather sometimes." The third woman shakes her head and says, "My husband works for an Internet company. He just sits on the edge of the bed and tells me how great it's going to be when I get it."

## The Pickle Factory

Bill has worked in a pickle factory for several years. One day he confesses to his wife that he has a terrible urge to stick his penis into the pickle slicer. His wife suggests that he see a therapist to talk about it, but Bill vows to overcome this rash desire on his own. A few weeks later, Bill returns home absolutely ashen. His wife asks, "What's wrong, Bill?" "Do you remember how I told you about my tremendous urge to put my penis into the pickle slicer?" His wife gasps, "My God, Bill, what happened?" "I got fired." "No, Bill -- I mean, what happened with the pickle slicer?" "Oh, um, she got fired, too."

## Breakfast in Moleland

There was a mamma mole, a papa mole, and a baby mole. They lived in a hole outside of a farm house out in the country. The papa mole reached his head out of the hole and said, "Mmmmm, I smell sausage." The mama mole reached her head outside of the hole and said "Mmmmmm, I smell pancakes." The baby mole tried to reach his head outside the hole but couldn't because of the two bigger moles. The baby mole said, "The only thing I can smell is molasses."

## Code Word for Sex

A husband and wife decided they needed to use "code" to indicate that they wanted to have sex without letting their children in on it. They decided on the word Typewriter. One day the husband told his five year old daughter, "Go tell your mommy that daddy needs to type a letter". The child told her mother what her dad said, and her mom responded, "Tell your daddy that he can't type a letter right now cause there is a red ribbon in the typewriter." The child went back to tell her father what mommy said. A few days later the mom told the daughter, "Tell daddy that he can type that



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letter now.” The child told her father, returned to her mother and announced, “Daddy said never mind with the typewriter, he already wrote the letter by hand.”

## A New You:

A middle aged woman had a heart attack and was taken to the hospital. While on the operating table, she had a near death experience. Seeing God, she asked, “Is my time up”? God said, “No, you have another 43 years, 2 months and 8 days to live.” Upon recovery, the woman decided to stay in the hospital and have a face-lift, brow lift, lip enhancement, boob job, liposuction, and a tummy tuck. After her last operation, she was released from the hospital. While crossing the street on her way home, she was hit by an ambulance and killed. Arriving in front of God, she demanded, “I thought you said I had another 40 years? Why didn’t you pull me out of the path of the ambulance?” God replied, “Girrrrrlllllll, I didn’t even recognize you!”

## Hospital Chart Bloopers (Actual writings from hospital charts)

1. The patient refused autopsy.
2. The patient has no previous history of suicides.
3. Patient has left white blood cells at another hospital.
4. She has no rigors or shaking chills, but her husband states she was very hot in bed last night.
5. Patient has chest pain if she lies on her left side for over a year.
6. On the second day the knee was better and on the third day it disappeared.
7. The patient is tearful and crying constantly. She also appears to be depressed.
8. The patient has been depressed since she began seeing me in 1993.
9. Discharge status: Alive but without permission.
10. Healthy appearing decrepit 69-year old male, mentally alert but forgetful.
11. Patient had waffles for breakfast and anorexia for lunch.
12. She is numb from her toes down.
13. While in ER, she was examined, x-rated and sent home.
14. The skin was moist and dry.
15. Occasional, constant infrequent headaches.
16. Patient was alert and unresponsive.
17. Rectal examination revealed a normal size thyroid.
18. She stated that she had been constipated for most of her life, until she got a divorce.
19. I saw your patient today, who is still under our car for physical therapy.
20. Both breasts are equal and reactive to light and accommodation.
21. Examination of genitalia reveals that he is circus sized.
22. The lab test indicated abnormal lover function.
23. Skin: somewhat pale but present.
24. The pelvic exam will be done later on the floor.

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## Should children witness childbirth?

Due to a power outage, only one paramedic responded to the call. The house was very dark, so the paramedic asked Kathleen, a 3-yr old girl to hold a flashlight high over her mommy, so he could see while he helped deliver the baby. Very diligently, Kathleen did as she was told. Her mom pushed and pushed and after a little while, Connor was born. The paramedic lifted him by his little feet and spanked him on his bottom. Little Connor began to cry. The paramedic then thanked Kathleen for her help and asked the wide-eyed 3-yr old what she thought about what she had just seen. Kathleen quickly responded, "He shouldn't have crawled in there in the first place...Smack his bum again!" (If you don't smile at this one there is no hope for you!)

## Blonde Joke: Helllllooooo

A blonde's car gets a flat tire on the Interstate one day so she eases it over onto the shoulder of the road. She carefully steps out of the car and opens the trunk. Takes out two cardboard men, unfolds them and stands them at the rear of the vehicle facing oncoming traffic. The lifelike cardboard men are in trench coats exposing their nude bodies to approaching drivers. Not surprisingly, the traffic became snarled and backed up. It wasn't very long before a police car arrives. The Officer, clearly enraged, approaches the blonde of the disabled vehicle yelling, "What is going here?" "My car broke down, Officer," says the woman, calmly. "Well, what the hell are these obscene cardboard pictures doing here by the road?!" asks the Officer. "Helllllooooo, those are my emergency flashers!" she replied.

## Get Out Of The Car!

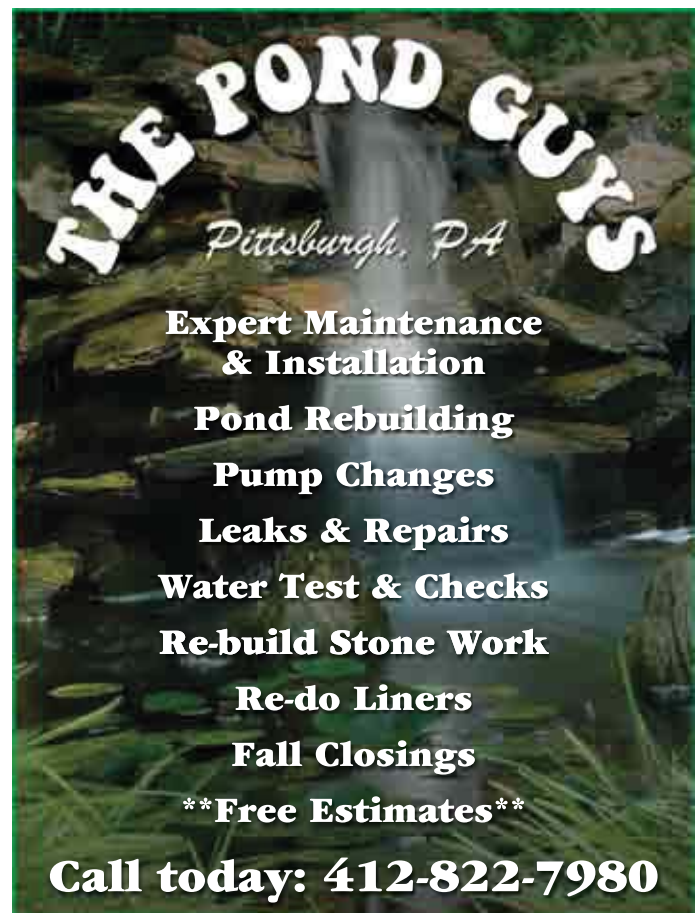
This is a true account recorded in the Police Log of Sarasota, Florida. An elderly Florida lady did her shopping and, upon returning to her car, found four males in the act of leaving with her vehicle. She dropped her shopping bags and drew her handgun, proceeding to scream at the top of her lungs, "I HAVE A GUN, AND I KNOW HOW TO USE IT! GET OUT OF THE CAR!" The four men didn't wait for a second threat. They got out and ran like mad. The lady, somewhat shaken, then proceeded to load her shopping bags into the back of the car and got into the driver's seat. She was so shaken that she could not get her key into the ignition. She tried and tried, and then she realized why, it was for the same reason she had wondered why there was a football, a Frisbee and two 12 packs of beer in the front seat. A few minutes later, she found her own car parked four or five spaces farther down. She loaded her bags into the car and drove to the police station to report her mistake. The sergeant to whom she told the story couldn't stop laughing. He pointed to the other end of the counter, where four pale men were reporting a carjacking by a mad, elderly woman described as white, less than five feet tall, glasses, curly white hair, and carrying a large handgun. No charges were filed. Moral of the story? If you're going to have a Senior Moment, make it memorable.

## Cowboy and his Horse:

Two young cowboys are sitting on the porch of a saloon when they see a dusty, old, decrepit cowboy come riding up on an equally old horse. The old man is pretty creaky when he gets off his horse and ties it up to the rail. Then the old cowboy walks around to the back of the horse, lifts it's tail, sticks his finger in the horses butt, pulls it out and then wipes it on his lips. The young cowboys are exasperated. "Hey, wadya go stick yer finger in the horses butt for and then wipe it all ov'r yer lips?" "I got chapped lips", replies the old cowboy. "Does it help heal 'em?", asks the other young buck. "Nope, but it sure keeps me from lickin' 'em."

## Communication Problems

A Russian woman married a Canadian gentleman and they lived happily ever after in Toronto. However, the poor lady was not very proficient in English, but did manage to communicate with her husband. The real problem arose whenever she had to shop for groceries. One day, she went to the butcher and wanted to buy chicken legs. She didn't know how to put forward her request, and in desperation, clucked like a chicken and lifted up her skirt to show her thighs. Her butcher got the message, and gave her the chicken legs. Next day she needed to get chicken breasts, again she didn't know how to say it, and so she clucked like a chicken and unbuttoned her blouse to show the butcher her breasts! The butcher understood again, and gave her some



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chicken breasts. On the 3rd day, the poor lady needed to buy sausages. Unable to find a way to communicate this, she brought her husband to the store...

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**New Drink:**

A guy walks into a bar, sits down, and asks, “Bartender, got any specials today?” Bartender answers, “Yes, as a matter of fact we have a new drink, invented by A gynecologist patron of ours. It’s a mix of Pabst Blue Ribbon Beer and Smirnoff Vodka.” The guy asks, “Good grief, what do you call that?” The bartender replied, “It’s a “Pabst Smir.”

**Isn’t Retirement Grand?**

Upon reaching 65, old Tom decided to retire. After having him under foot for a few months, his wife became very agitated with him. She suggested he go and do something to occupy his time, like join a club or get a hobby. Old Tom obliged and went out for a couple of hours. When he got home his wife asked about his day and he replied, “Oh, I just went down to the park and hung out with the guys. And oh yeah, I joined a parachute club. “What? Are you nuts? You’re 65 years old and you’re going to start jumping out of airplanes?” “Yeah, look I even got a membership card.” “Old man, you need glasses! This is a membership in a Prostitute Club, not a Parachute Club!” “Oh, great! now what am I going to do? I signed up for 5 jumps a week!

**This is not a joke...**

If you can pass, you can safely turn on your ignition key again and cancel your annual eye examination... However, you should be able to find them in 20 seconds, if not...you better go and have your eyes examined! Time yourself.....

**Can you find the “C” ??? (Good exercise for the eyes!)**

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**Brooms:**

Two brooms were hanging in the closet and after a while they got to know each other so well, they decided to get married. One broom was, of course, the bride broom, the other the groom broom. The bride broom looked very beautiful in her white dress. The groom broom was handsome and suave in his tuxedo. The wedding was lovely. After the wedding, at the wedding dinner, the bride-broom leaned over and said to the groom-broom, “I think I am going to have a little whisk broom!!!” “IMPOSSIBLE !!” said the groom broom. Are you ready for this? Brace yourself; this is going to hurt. “WE HAVEN’T EVEN SWEEPED TOGETHER!” Sounds to me like she’s been “sweeping” around!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

**13 Things Pms Stands For:**

1. Pass My Shotgun
2. Psychotic Mood Swing
3. Perpetual Munching Spree
4. Puffy Mid-Section
5. People Make Me Sick
6. Provide Me With Sweets
7. Pardon My Sobbing
8. Pimples May Surface
9. Pass My Sweats
10. Pissy Mood Syndrome
11. Poor Men Suck
12. Pack My Stuff
13. Potential Murder Suspect



## Social Security Sex:

Two men were talking. So, how's your sex life?" "Oh, nothing special. I'm having Social Security sex." "Social Security sex?" "Yeah, you know: I get a little each month, but not enough to live on!"

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## Loud Sex:

A wife went in to see a therapist and said, "I've got a big problem, doctor. Every time we're in bed and my husband climaxes, he lets out this ear splitting yell." "My dear," the shrink said, "that's completely natural. I don't see what the problem is." "The problem is," she complained, "It wakes me up!"

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## Confounded Sex:

A man was in a terrible accident, and his "manhood" was mangled and torn from his body. His doctor assured him that modern medicine could give him back his manhood, but that his insurance wouldn't cover the surgery since it was considered cosmetic. The doctor said the cost would be \$3,500 for "small, \$6,500 for "medium, \$14,000 for "large." The man was sure he would want a medium or large, but the doctor urged him to talk it over with his wife before he made any decision. The man called his wife on the phone and explained their options. The doctor came back into the room, and found the man looking dejected. "Well, what have the two of you decided?" asked the doctor. The man answered, "She'd rather remodel the kitchen".

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## Woman's Humor:

My husband came home with a tube of KY jelly and said, "This will make you happy tonight." He was right. When he went out of the bedroom, I squirted it all over the doorknobs. He couldn't get back in.

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One night an 87 yr old woman came home from Bingo to find her 92 yr old husband in bed with another woman. She became violent and ended up pushing him off the balcony of their! 20th floor assisted living apartment...killing him instantly. Brought before the court on charge of murder, the judge asked her if she had anything to say in her defense. She began coolly, Yes, your honor, I figured that at 92 if he could have sex...he could fly.

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Couple goes on vacation to a fishing resort in northern Minnesota. The husband likes to fish at the crack of dawn, the wife likes to read. One morning the husband returns after several hours of fishing and decides to take a nap. Although not familiar with the lake, the wife decides to take the boat out. She motors out a short distance, anchors, and continues to read her book. Along comes a game Warden in his boat. He pulls up alongside the woman and says, "Good morning Ma'am. What are you doing?" "Reading a

book," She replies, (Thinking, "Isn't that obvious?") "You're in a restricted fishing area," he informs her. "I'm sorry officer, but I'm not fishing, I'm reading." "Yes, but you have all the equipment. For all I know you could start at any moment. I'll have to take you in and write you up." "If you do that, I'll have to charge you with sexual assault," says the woman. "But I haven't even touched you," says the game warden. "That's true, but you have all the equipment. For all I know you could start at any moment." "Have a nice day ma'am," and he left.

MORAL: Never argue with a woman who reads. It's likely she can also think.

## Who Is This?

If you can start the day without caffeine,

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## Dentist & the Golfer:

It seems that a man and his wife walked into a dentist's office. The man said to the dentist, "Doctor, I'm in one heck of a big hurry! I have two buddies sitting out in my car waiting for us to go play golf. So forget about the anesthetic and just pull the tooth, get rid of the toothache and be done with it-- I don't have time to wait for the anesthetic to work!" The dentist thought to himself, "My goodness-this sure is a very brave man, asking me to pull his tooth without using anything to kill the pain. So the dentist asked him, "Which tooth is it, sir?" Turning to his wife he said, "Open your mouth, Honey, and show the doctor which tooth hurts."

## Taking Baby to Doctor:

Woman and a baby were in the doctor's examining room, waiting for the doctor to come in for the baby's first exam.

The doctor arrived, examined the baby, checked his weight, and being a little concerned, asked if the baby was breast-fed or bottle-fed? Breast-fed" she replied. "Well, strip down to your waist," the doctor ordered. She did. He pinched her nipples, then pressed, kneaded and rubbed both breasts for a while in a detailed examination. Motioning for her to get dressed, he said, "No wonder this baby is underweight." You don't have any milk. "I know," she said, "I'm his Grandma, but I'm glad I came."

## The Baby Photographer:

The Hebert's were unable to conceive children, and decided to use a surrogate father to start their family. On the day the proxy father was to arrive, Mr. Hebert kissed his wife and said, "I'm off. The man should be here soon". Half an hour later, just by chance, a door-to-door baby photographer rang the doorbell, hoping to make a sale. "Good morning madam. I've come to..." "Oh, no need to explain. Come in," Mrs. Hebert cut in. "Really?" the photographer asked. "Well, good! My specialty is babies." "That's what my husband and I had hoped. Please come in and have a seat." After a moment she asked, blushing, "Well, where do we start?"

**Photographer:** "Leave everything to me. I usually try two in the bathtub, one on the couch and perhaps a couple on the bed. Sometimes the living room floor is fun too. You can really spread out!"

**Wife:** "Bathtub, couch, bed, living room floor? No wonder it didn't work for my husband and me."

**Photographer:** "Well, madam, none of us can guarantee a good one every time. But if we try several different positions and I shoot from six or seven angles, I'm sure you'll be pleased with the results."

**Wife:** "My, my, that's a lot of..."

**Photographer:** "Madam, in my line of work, a man must take his time. I'd love to be in and out in five minutes, but you'd be disappointed with that, I'm sure."

**Wife** (muttering): "Don't I know it." The photographer opened his briefcase and pulled out a portfolio of his baby pictures. "This was done on the top of a bus."

**Wife:** "Oh my god!"

**Photographer:** "And these twins turned out exceptionally well, when you consider their mother was so difficult to work with."

**Wife:** "She was difficult?"

**Photographer:** "Yes, I'm afraid so. I finally had to take her to the park to get the job done right. People were crowding around four and five deep, pushing to get a good look."

**Wife:** "Four and five deep?" (Eyes wide in amazement).

**Photographer:** "Yes, and for more than three hours, too. The mother was constantly squealing and yelling - I could hardly concentrate! Then darkness approached and I began to rush my shots. Finally, when the squirrels began nibbling on my equipment, I just packed it all in."

**Wife** (leaning forward): "You mean they actually chewed on your ... equipment?"

**Photographer:** "That's right. Well, madam, if you're ready, I'll set up my tripod so that we can get to work"

**Wife:** "Tripod?"

**Photographer:** "Oh yes, I have to use a tripod to rest my Canon on. It's much too big for me to hold very long. Madam? Madam? Good Lord, she's fainted!"



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## One for the Old Dude:

An older, white haired man walked into a jewelry store one Friday evening with a beautiful young gal at his side. He told the jeweler he was looking for a special ring for his girlfriend. The jeweler looked through his stock and brought out a \$5,000 ring and showed it to him. The old man said, "I don't think you understand, I want something very special." At that statement, the jeweler went to his special stock and brought another ring over. "Here's a stunning ring at only \$40, 000," the jeweler said. The young lady's eyes sparkled and her whole body trembled with excitement. The old man seeing this said, "We'll take it." The jeweler asked how payment would be made and the old man stated, by check. "I know you need to make sure my check is good, so I'll write it now and you can call the bank Monday to verify the funds and I'll pick the ring up Monday afternoon," he said. Monday morning, a very teed-off jeweler phoned the old man. "There's no money in that account." "I know," said the old man, "but can you imagine the weekend I had?"

## Bungee Jumping:

North Dakota couples, Alice and Frank, are Bungee-jumping fanatics. On a vacation in Mexico, they notice that the sport hasn't yet reached south of the border. Alice says to Frank, "You know, I bet we could make a lot of money starting our own Bungee-jumping service down here!" Frank thinks this is a great idea, so they pool their money and buy everything they'll need - a tower, an elastic cord, insurance, etc. They traveled to Mexico and began to set up in a town square. As they are constructing the tower, a crowd begins to assemble. Slowly, more and more people gather to watch them at work. When they had finished, there was such a crowd they thought it would be a good idea to give a demonstration. So, Alice jumps. She bounces at the end of the cord, but when she comes back up, Frank notices that she has a few cuts and scratches. Unfortunately, Frank isn't able to catch her and she falls again, bounces and comes back up again. This time, she is bruised and bleeding. Again, Frank misses her. Alice falls again and bounces back up. This time she comes back pretty messed up -- she's got a couple of broken bones and is almost unconscious. Luckily, Frank finally catches her this time and says, "What happened? Was the cord too long?" Barely able to speak, Alice gasps, "No, the Bungee cord was fine...It was the crowd. What the heck is a Piñata??"

## My Philosophy Of Housecleaning!

I don't do windows because...I love birds and don't want one to run into a clean window and get hurt.

I don't wax floors because...

I am terrified a guest will slip and get hurt then I'll feel terrible (plus they may sue me.)

I don't mind the dust bunnies because...

They are very good company, I have named most of them, and they agree with everything I say

I don't disturb cobwebs because...

I want every creature to have a home of their own.

I don't Spring Clean because...

I love all the seasons and don't want the others to get I don't put things away because... My husband will never be able to find them again. Jealous. I don't do gourmet meals when I entertain because... I don't want my guests to stress out over what to make when they invite me over for dinner. I don't iron because... I choose to believe them when they say "Permanent Press"

## Young King Arthur:

Young King Arthur was ambushed and imprisoned by the monarch of a neighboring kingdom. The monarch could have killed him but was moved by Arthur's youth and ideals. So, the monarch offered him his freedom, as long as he could answer a very difficult question. Arthur would have a year to figure out the answer and, if after a year, he still had no answer, he would be put to death. The question?...What do women really want? Such a question would perplex even the most knowledgeable man, and to young Arthur, it seemed an impossible query. But, since it was better than death, he accepted the monarch's proposition to have an answer by year's end. He returned to his kingdom and began to poll everyone: the princess, the priests,

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the wise men and even the court jester. He spoke with everyone, but no one could give him a satisfactory answer. Many people advised him to consult the old witch, for only she would have the answer. But the price would be high; as the witch was famous throughout the kingdom for the exorbitant prices she charged. The last day of the year arrived and Arthur had no choice but to talk to the witch. She agreed to answer the question, but he would have to agree to her price first. The old witch wanted to marry Sir Lancelot, the most noble of the Knights of the Round Table and Arthur's closest friend! Young Arthur was horrified. She was hunchbacked and hideous, had only one tooth, smelled like sewage, made obscene noises, etc. He had never encountered such a repugnant creature in all his life. He refused to force his friend to marry her and endure such a terrible burden, but Lancelot, learning of the proposal, spoke with Arthur. He said nothing was too big of a sacrifice compared to Arthur's life and the preservation of the Round Table. Hence, a wedding was proclaimed and the witch answered Arthur's question thus: What a woman really wants, she answered....is to be in charge of her own life. Everyone in the kingdom instantly knew that the witch had uttered a great truth and that Arthur's life would be spared. And so it was, the neighboring monarch granted Arthur his freedom and Lancelot and the witch had a wonderful wedding. The honeymoon hour approached and Lancelot, steeled himself for a horrific experience, entered the bedroom. But, what a sight awaited him. The most beautiful woman he had ever seen lay before him on the bed. The astounded Lancelot asked what had happened. The beauty replied that since he had been so kind to her when she appeared as a witch, she would henceforth, be her horrible deformed self only half the time and the beautiful maiden the other half. Which would he prefer? Beautiful during the day....or night? Lancelot pondered the predicament. During the day, a beautiful woman to show off to his friends, but at night in the privacy of his castle, an old witch? Or, would he prefer having a hideous witch during the day, but by night, a beautiful woman for him to enjoy wondrous, intimate moments? What would YOU do? What Lancelot chose is below. BUT....make YOUR choice before you read any further! Noble Lancelot, knowing the answer the witch gave Arthur to his question, said that he would allow HER to make the choice herself. Upon hearing this, she announced that she would be beautiful all the time because he had respected her enough to let her be in charge of her own life. Now....what is the moral to this story? The moral is.... If you don't let a woman have her own way... Things are going to get ugly...

## Retarded Grandparents:

A teacher asked her young pupils how they plan to spend their

summer away from school. One child wrote the following: We always used to spend the summer with Grandma and Grandpa. They used to live in a big two story house but Grandpa got retarded and they moved to Arizona. Now they live in a tin box and have rocks painted green to look like grass. They ride around on their bicycles and wear name tags because they don't know who they are anymore. They go to a building called a wrecked center, but they must have got it fixed because it is all okay now, and do exercises there, but they don't do them very well. There is a swimming pool too, but in it, they all jump up and down with hats on. At their gate, there is a doll house with a little old man sitting in it. He watches all day so nobody can escape. Sometimes they sneak out. They go cruising in their golf carts. Nobody there cooks, they just eat out. And, they eat the same thing every night -----early birds. Some of the people can't get out past the man in the doll house. The ones, who do get out, bring food back to the wrecked center and call it pot luck. My Grandma says that Grandpa worked all his life to earn his retardment and says I should work hard so I can be retarded someday too.

## Grapes

A duck walks into a bar and goes up to the bartender. The bartender says "What can I get you?" Duck: Umm. Do you have any grapes? Bartender (looking surprised and finding the question odd): No, I'm afraid we don't. And the duck waddles slowly out of the bar. The next day at the same time, the duck waddles into the bar, hops up on a bar stool. Bartender: Hi. What can I get for you? Duck: Umm. Do you have any grapes? Bartender (a little annoyed): Hey! Weren't you in here yesterday? Look buddy, we don't have any grapes. OK? The duck hops off the stool and waddles out the door. The next day, at the same time, the bartender is cleaning some glasses when he hears a familiar voice. Duck: Umm.. Do you have any grapes? The bartender is really ticked off. Bartender: Look. What's your problem? You came in here yesterday asking for grapes, I TOLD you, WE DON'T HAVE ANY GRAPES!! Next time I see your little ducktail waddle in here I'm going to nail those little webbed feet of yours to the floor. GOT me pal? And the duck hops off the bar stool and waddles out. The NEXT day at the same time, the duck waddles into the bar, walks up to the bartender and the bartender says, "What the heck do YOU want?" Umm. do you have any nails? What!? OF course not. Oh. Well, do you have any grapes?

## Communications Problems: End Of Joke From Page 38

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