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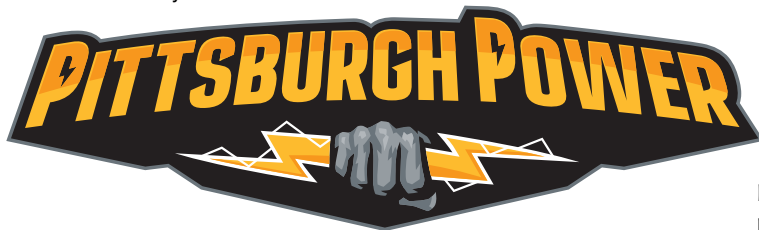
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# Feature

## Pittsburgh Power - A New Power Play – Consol Energy Center

The NFL football season may be over... but, there's a new game in town..... Arena Football! Their season begins in March 11 and ends July 23 filling in those traditional non-football months. So if your missing football or just need a quick football fix – Pittsburgh Power has your game on! With their season opener scheduled for 8pm - Friday, March 11 at the Consol Energy Center, bringing arena football to the burgh could just be what the doctor ordered. Limited tickets are still available however they are selling fast and we're sure the Pittsburgh Power home opener will be sold out soon!

Owners, Matt Shaner, Lance Shaner and Lynn Swann have put together an impressive team and hired a very experienced and impressive coaching staff: Chris Siegfried (head coach), Maurice Blanding (defensive coordinator), John Sikora (line coach), Brian Basile (special teams coordinator). They currently have 35 players on their roster, but that will be cut down to 24 players for their regular season (21 active and 3 inactive players per game). Plus, the Pittsburgh Power will have a dance team: Jennelle Johnson (head coach) ; All 16 dance team girls are local and most of them attend one of the major universities in the Pittsburgh Area (Pitt, Duquesne, Point Park, Cal UP, LaRoche College).

There are small differences between National Football League (NFL) and Arena Football League (AFL). First, the length of the field in arena football measures only 50 yards, while the NFL measures 100 yards. When it comes to the teams and plays, the AFL has a 20-man active and 4-man inactive roster – while the NFL has an unlimited roster. Although both leagues employ a 15-minute, four-quarter timing system, they differ in the length of halftime. For AFL, it's 15 minutes, while for the NFL, it's only 12 minutes. The time between plays is 25 seconds for the AFL, while it's 40 seconds for the NFL. The result is that when compared to the NFL, which is a huge game, AFL is played at a faster pace, with high scores incurred by each team in each game. So...sit back and watch the excitement as you experience the Pittsburgh Power.. Are you ready Pittsburgh?

Pittsburgh's CW (WPCW-TV) will broadcast all eight Pittsburgh Power home games beginning with the home-opener on Friday, March 11 (8:00PM), while Sportsradio 93-7 The Fan (KDKA-FM) will carry all 18 regular season games and all playoff contests. Both stations are owned by CBS, and are a part of the company's cluster of six television and radio stations in the Pittsburgh market. "CBS TV's combination of KDKA and the CW, combined with their live local sports experience presented a tremendous opportunity for the Power," remarked Owner and GM Matt Shaner. "Additionally, Sportsradio 93-7The Fan, in a short time has become the clear



Coach Chris Siegfried

undisputed leader for local sports radio in this market," Shaner continued. "The Pittsburgh area has a great football tradition at all levels and we are confident fans will embrace this new exciting product. We are happy to be able to provide our viewers a front row seat to all the action," said Chris Pike, Vice President and General Manager of KDKA-TV & WPCW. The television broadcast team will include KDKA-TV sportscaster Bob Pompeani. A game analyst will be named at a later date.



## **Nightwire Honors our Local Soldiers Serving**



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# Wine and Spirits

## Wine Tasting

by [www.finewineandgoodspirits.com](http://www.finewineandgoodspirits.com)

**T**asting is something we do every day without being consciously aware of it. We decide whether the chicken soup needs more salt, whether our coffee needs more cream, or whether the spaghetti sauce is ready to eat. All you need to get started with wine tasting is your own palate and a basic knowledge of techniques.

### How to Host a Wine Tasting

First, pick a theme. There are several types of classic wine tastings: horizontal (same vintage, different producers), vertical (same producer, different vintages), terroir (same place of origin, different producers) and blind (the label or even the entire bottle is completely covered).

Next, consider the sequence in which you will taste the wines: old before young; dry before sweet; white before red; light-bodied before full-bodied; simple before complex.

Then bring these elements together to create your theme, such as “Old World vs. New World Cabernets,” “Dessert Wines of Portugal,” or “The World of Sparklers.”

Finally, set the stage. Make sure that you have paper ready for your guests to record their impressions of each wine, and plenty of palette cleansers such as water and crackers. Use our handy checklist to make sure you have everything you’ll need.

### Then Choose a Wine-Tasting Theme

#### Old World vs. New

The wineries of the U.S., South America and Australia produce wines with the same names as French, Italian and German wines, but the wines can actually taste quite different from their Old World counterparts.

#### Single Region

Choose a wine region that interests you and taste several wines from that region, perhaps accompanied by local cheese or a special dish of the region. Good candidates for single-region tastings include Alsace (France) and Rioja (Spain).

#### Single Varietal

Try several different bottles of the same type of wine to really get to know a grape. Several different bottles of Pinot Noir from different wineries in California, Oregon or France would make an interesting tasting.

#### Vintage Year

What makes a “very good year”? Find out by tasting several

wines from a highly praised season. Or match your wine tasting to an anniversary year to make it even more special.

#### Light-Bodied Wines

Many people prefer light-bodied wines, but don’t know there is a large range of styles within this category. Try some light-bodied whites or even include some lighter reds, like Gamay or Dolcetto.

#### Full-Bodied Wines

Full-bodied wines are often good candidates for aging, which adds another dimension to your wine tasting. Try a Barolo, Barbaresco or Super Tuscan alongside other full-bodied wines.

#### Dessert Wines

What could be more inviting to your guests than an array of sweet treats? Sample fortified dessert wines (such as Port or sherry) or try dessert wines made by other methods (like Icewine and Sauternes).

#### Sparkling Wine

The world of sparklers makes for a festive wine tasting. Compare Italian Prosecco and Spanish Cava to a traditional French Champagne.

#### Evaluating Wine

Wine tasting involves more than just your tastebuds—you also need to notice the appearance and bouquet of the wine. Follow the “Five S’s of Wine Tasting” to fully appreciate each vintage.

**Sight:** Look at the wine in the glass. Many clues about the wine you are about to taste lie in the color, clarity and possible presence of carbonation or noticeable sediment.

**Swirl:** Swirl the wine in the glass. Look at the visual clues, aerate the wine and bring out its aromas.

**Sniff:** Sniff the wine in the glass, taking several short, deep sniffs. Think about the aromas. Do they remind you of anything?

**Sip:** Sip the wine and make a chewing motion with your mouth, coating the areas inside your mouth and around your tongue. Think about how it feels, where you taste it first and where you taste it most intensely on your tongue and palate.

**Spit:** In order to maintain a clear head and maintain the ability to make assessments by smelling and tasting, you should spit during tasting sessions.



## 9 New Medical Trends To Keep An Eye Out for in 2011

**W**hen did a trip to the family doctor become more like a visit to the DMV and less like popping in to see an old friend? Taking the entire medical industry into mind, Medefile.com, a web-based company that allows people everywhere to collect, organize and store their medical records online, predicts these are going to be new medical trends in 2011. I'd like to propose a story that talks about "New Medical Trends to Keep an Eye Out for in 2011."

Traditional primary care is changing, but why is there far fewer family doctors and far more customers? There are roughly 400,000 primary care doctors working today in the United States – a number that's plummeting each year. By 2020, we'll be 40,000 doctors shy of what we need to operate efficiently, according to the American Academy of Family Physicians. It means there are far fewer family docs for far more customers (yes, population is still growing). And with waiting to schedule and actually seeing the doctor taking more and more time, Americans are being forced to look for other options. Here are top trending alternatives that we expect to pop in 2011.

### Drive-Thru Clinics

Lump together retail clinics (see: Wal-Mart, Target and CVS) and walk-in urgent care chains (see: MD Now and Patient First). While some researchers purport that retail medical outlets only complement traditional primary care, Fierce Healthcare studies show that only 25 percent of those who patronize these locations have a PCP (primary care physician.) And an estimated 16 to 27 percent are uninsured.

### Concierge Doctors

Concierge medicine certainly appeals to the upper crust, but has tweaked its model to become as familiar to the middle-class as a T.G.I. Fridays cocktail menu and Honda Civic. There are now more than 5,000 concierge physicians in the United States, charging on average \$1,500 to \$2,000 for an annual membership fee on top of insurance co-pays. You pay for access and time – same-day appointments, email and cell phone privileges and longer visits – and docs are usually limited to several hundred patients to support the model.

### Nurse Practitioners

Remember when the nurse was the warm-up act for your annual physical? Nurse practitioners will be headlining healthcare 2.0. The reasons are common sense: they're more plentiful, require less training and run cheaper. The cost savings has several states looking to increase the functions and procedures nurse practitioners may oversee. But not everyone is happy. The term "physician extender," as nurse practitioners are dubbed by some, is far from flattery.

### Virtual Docs

It's one thing to access your medical records with your mouse cursor and schedule a flu shot online, but it's another to virtually visit one-on-one with your doc while he's blowing off steam at the 19th hole. But imagine being able to get diagnosed in your robe and bunny slippers via webcam. The future of 24/7 WiFi house calls is now, and even the recently enacted healthcare legislation has promoted wider proliferation of the high tech, low-personal-touch approach.

### Holistic Medicine

The term means lots of things to lots of people. Also called "alternative medicine" or "complementary medicine" by some, we'll define holistic medicine as unconventional techniques not widely embraced by the mainstream. Acupuncture, herbalism and massage are examples of holistic medicine, as are practices shying away from pharmaceuticals and invasive operations.

### Jet-Set & Suture

Medical tourism is booming. It's no secret that you can travel to Costa Rica for much cheaper and riskier procedures than down the road at Memorial Regional Hospital. It's also no secret that serious due diligence and research is important to ensure you don't get ensnared in a "60 Minutes" black market surgery sting in some godforsaken banana republic. According to Deloitte Consulting, the number of Americans traveling for medical care is closing in on 800,000.

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After a decade of development, the two launched the Dentisse brand of Premium Oral Care Products. It was their interest in natural products and knowledge of the deficiencies of other natural toothpastes that motivated them to bring Dentisse Natural Reflection

toothpaste to market. This toothpaste uses a special refined kaolin to gently remove surface stains and plaque while safely polishing the teeth.

The Dentisse brand also offers an alcohol-free oral rinse called Natural Solution and an all-natural lip balm named Natural Protection. The rinse contains aloe vera and xylitol and has a blend of natural essential oils that attack bacteria that form plaque and cause odor without the burning and drying effects of alcohol. Its unique formula moisturizes the mouth and contains baking soda to neutralize acids.

Dentisse Premium Oral Care products are available at [www.dentisse.com](http://www.dentisse.com) and select spas and retailers.

# Travel

by Jaclyn Liechti, SmarterTravel Staff

## Top Off-Peak Destinations for Spring 2011



**H**ave you come down with a case of spring fever or the travel bug? If so, then a vacation to an off-peak destination may be just what the doctor ordered. We've searched high and low to find this spring's best getaways that won't break the bank. Our top five picks this year range from sunny beaches to cultural hotspots, and the bargains can't be beat.

Vermont - While spring brings the end of peak ski season and the beginning of "mud season" in Vermont, there are still plenty of outdoor adventures to enjoy. Maple sugar season begins in March, and festivals across the state offer more sweet reasons to visit. For example, the Vermont Maple Open House Weekend kicks spring off March 19 and 20 at sugarhouses throughout Vermont, offering visitors the chance to watch maple syrup being made (and even sample the goods).

Syrup isn't the only thing tempting travelers this spring, as lower prices make the off-season a particularly tantalizing time to visit. I compared peak and off-peak rates at several hotels in Vermont, and found savings of up to \$120 per night for weekend stays.

Hotel deals are popping up all over. For instance, Rabbit Hill Inn is offering Hot Deals in March and May, granting travelers at least 20 percent off nightly rates that include afternoon tea, pastries, and a candlelit breakfast. Through May 26, guests at Equinox Resort can take advantage of its Economic Antidote and receive a \$50 gift certificate to Manchester Designer Outlets, while Brandmeyer's Mountainside Lodge in Weston is offering web value packages through May 31 for two-night stays. Through April 12, guests at Stratton Mountain Resort can save up to 30 percent with its The More You Stay, the More You Save package. And the Stoweflake Mountain Resort & Spa is offering up to 30 percent off room rates and 25 percent off apres-ski spa treatments through March 31. Plus, Vermont travelers can enter to win a \$100 gas card through mid-April with the Vermont Fuels Your Vacation promotion from the state's tourism bureau.

Spring packages are also a great way to save. Three Mountain Inn has a Mud Season Special providing guests three nights' accommodations, a three-course breakfast each morning, afternoon snacks, and two dinners starting at \$650. Wildflower Inn has a Northern Woods Pedal and Paddle Package, which



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Aruba - Aruba's annual average temperature of 82 degrees and its cooling trade winds make it a popular destination year-round. However, springtime brings fewer visitors and plenty of bargains for travelers in the know.

I compared airfare-and-hotel vacation packages during off-peak and peak seasons, and found savings of up to \$419. Off-peak festivals in Aruba include the Soul Beach Music Festival in May, and the Second Annual Aruba International Film Festival and Aruba Food & Wine Festival in early June, while hotels across the island are offering numerous packages and incentives. The Bucuti Beach Resort has an Experience Aruba Green Vacation Package that includes a guided hike in Arikok National Park, a tour of the Aruba Aloe Factory, dinner, and daily breakfast from \$1,575 per couple (more than \$600 less than peak winter rates) for five nights beginning April 24. Incentives at the Radisson Aruba's Super Sale include a \$25 spa credit and at least \$75 in beverage credits for stays of five or more nights, in addition to 25 to 40 percent off room rates. Good weather is guaranteed at the Marriott Aruba through April 30, with rates up to 40 percent off, plus a gift certificate worth a free stay for each day that falls below 70 degrees. And at the Westin Aruba, families can find the Happily Ever After package available through April 30 with guaranteed connecting rooms, \$100 resort credit, and free meals for kids 12 and under.

School vacations and the promise of warm weather bring crowds flocking to San Antonio during the summer, but temperate weather and cheaper prices deep in the heart of Texas make springtime a great season to visit. This year, there's even more reason to go as spring kicks off the 175th anniversary of the battle of the Alamo with celebrations across the city. Deals and packages are running in conjunction with the event, and visitors will also enjoy special happenings throughout the year.

I compared airfare during peak and off-peak seasons to San Antonio, and found savings up to \$100.

San Antonio - The San Antonio Convention and Visitor's Bureau lists a slew of Alamo-related events and bargains to boot. The 175th anniversary celebrations begin March 4 through 6, but travelers can take part in a walking tour of the

original walls of the Alamo, a silent pilgrimage to honor fallen heroes, the Battle of Flowers Parade, and a live reenactment of the famous battle throughout April and May.

Hotels around the city are offering special packages centered around the event. For instance, the Westin Riverwalk San Antonio offers an anniversary package that includes two riverboat tickets and a free upgrade from \$175 per night. At the Red Roof Inn Downtown, guests save 20 percent off the best rate of the day (as low as \$70) and get a complimentary breakfast. And, the Drury Plaza Hotel San Antonio River Walk's Alamo package offers a free hot breakfast, two riverboat tickets, and free evening hot food and cold beverages from \$120 per night.

The anniversary package at Hotel Valencia Riverwalk offers complimentary Internet access, a blazing habanero salsa and chili mix, and the 13 Days to Glory book from \$175 per night. The Hotel Contessa Luxury Suites on the Riverwalk's Heroes of the Alamo package includes 10 percent off room rates, a personal concierge, and free meals for children under eight from \$134 per night. Check out the San Antonio Convention and Visitor's Bureau for a full list of offerings.



# Draft House

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## THE DIRTY HEADS

**T**he band was founded in 1996 by Jared Watson and vocalist/guitarist Dustin "Duddy" Bushnell in the Orange County, CA. The two first met at a party during their freshman year of high school. Upon hearing one of Bushnell's rap demo tapes, Watson became inspired to collaborate with him on a new project. At the time Bushnell was already in a punk rock band, while Watson had no previous music experience. In Bushnell's garage, the two began writing hip-hop songs with reggae and punk influences. The band's name comes from an occasion where the two were stealing a 12-pack of beer, and someone shouted at them "Come here you little dirty heads!"

Later, percussionist Jon Olazabal, drummer Matt Ochoa, and bassist David Foral were added to the lineup, further defining the band's sound. With a full band the members started taking their craft seriously and began recording. Renowned record producer Rob Cavallo originally signed the band to Warner Bros., but artistic differences led them to leave the label. The band managed to keep hold of their master recordings through the separation, which comprise the bulk of *Any Port in a Storm*. The band then connected with producers Steve Fox and Stan Frazier to complete their debut album. The album features appearances from legendary Beatles collaborator Billy Preston, as well as Josh Freese (session drummer for Nine Inch Nails and Korn), percussionist Alex Acuna, Jamaican dancehall legend Tippa

Ire, and Indie 103.1 reggae host Native Wayne (on "Stand Tall" and "Neighborhood"). The song "Check the Level," also includes renowned guitarist, Slash, as well as renowned Heavy metal vocalist, M. Shadows. The album was mixed by Beastie Boys producer Mario C.

The Dirty Heads have toured the U.S. multiple times with bands such as O.A.R., 311, Pepper, Kottonmouth Kings, Unwritten Law, Matisyahu and Sublime with Rome. The band has also been part of marketing campaigns for Etnies Jeans and Vestal Watches. The Dirty Heads were among the first bands featured on YouTube's Raw Session. The set included a cover of Coldplay's "Viva La Vida." Watch Video

The music video for one of their latest singles, "Lay Me Down", was directed by Thomas Mignone and premiered on MTV on June 24, 2010.

In popular culture

Their first single "Stand Tall" was featured in the Sony Pictures film *Surf's Up*. It was also in *The Sims 3*.

"Easy" featured on CBS show *Shark*

"Morning Light" featured on Tony Hawk's video game, "Hawk's Downhill Jam"

"Hip Hop Misfits" included in the Matthew McConaughey film, *Surfer, Dude*

"Lay Me Down" featured on MTV show Rob Dyrdek's *Fantasy Factory*

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# Music

## Jay & Silent Bob.....

### Carnegie Music Hall – April 1, 2011



Film icons Kevin Smith and Jason Mewes made fans all over the world with their characters Jay & Silent Bob from the movies Clerks, Mallrats, Chasing Amy, Dogma, Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back and Clerks 2. They will reunite to perform live across the country recording their comedy podcast Jay & Silent Bob Get Old. We've seen sold out crowds a PACs, festivals, clubs, and theatres around the world for Kevin Smith's legendary Q&A's and now adding Jay Mewes to the mix will bring in fans faster than you can say Snootchie Bootchies.

Jay & Silent Bob are hitting the road! As part of their "Jay and Silent Bob Get Old" routine, they will be on tour which includes a stop at the Carnegie Music Hall on Friday, April 1, 2011. Tickets are on sale now!

Jay and Silent Bob are fictional characters portrayed by Jason Mewes and Kevin Smith, respectively, in Kevin Smith's View Askewniverse, a fictional universe created and used in most films, comics and television by Smith, which began in Clerks.

Jay and Silent Bob have appeared in most of Smith's films with the exceptions being Jersey Girl, Zack and Miri Make a Porno and Cop Out. In Smith's universe the characters are shown spending most of their time selling marijuana in front of the convenience store in the Clerks movies. An exception to their drug trafficking occurred in Clerks: The Animated Series, in which they were selling illegal fireworks instead of drugs.

Jay and Silent Bob are said to have been born in Leonardo, New Jersey in the early 1970s. They met as infants in front of Quick Stop Groceries while their mothers shopped inside the store.



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**Billy Price..... East Coast....**  
**Blue Eyed... Soul Man**

**B**illy Price, east coast blue-eyed soul man, has been entertaining audiences for the past three decades. In his hometown of Pittsburgh, Pa., he is an institution. Price's popularity isn't hard to explain. As Geoffrey Himes of the Washington Post has written, "Unlike so many blues revivalists, Price is not an imitation of older, better singers--he's the real thing."

Price formed The Billy Price Band in 1990. In addition to performing popular songs from Price's years with Buchanan and the Keystone Rhythm Band, the Billy Price Band features new interpretations of blues, R & B, and soul classics. Members of the Billy Price Band are Steve Delach (guitar), Paul Thompson (bass), Dave Dodd (drums), Jimmy Britton (keyboards), Joe Herndon (trumpet), Eric DeFade (tenor sax) and Rick Matt (baritone and tenor sax).

Billy Price first attracted national attention during his three-year association with guitarist Roy Buchanan. Price is the vocalist on two of Buchanan's LPs, *That's What I'm Here For* and *Livestock*. With Buchanan, Price toured the U.S. and Canada, playing such venues as Carnegie Hall in New York, the Newport Jazz Festival, the Roxy and the Troubadour in Los Angeles, and the Spectrum in Philadelphia. Price assembled Billy Price and the Keystone Rhythm Band in 1977. Before their breakup in 1990, the band recorded four critically acclaimed LPs and developed a reputation as one of the most exciting touring bands in the U.S.

Billy Price, whose real name is Bill Pollak, lives in Pittsburgh and works at the Carnegie Mellon Software Engineering Institute as a marketing manager. For more information on Billy Price you can visit his website at [www.billyprice.com](http://www.billyprice.com)

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# Theater

## Circle Mirror Transformation

**A**nnie Baker's play offers a sparkling window into an acting class, where the comedy is surprising and the drama is real.

Pittsburgh Public Theater welcomes spring with Circle Mirror Transformation, winner of the 2010 OBIE Award for Best New American Play. Its author is 29-year-old Annie Baker, acclaimed by many as the freshest new voice in theater today. Directed by Jesse Berger, Artistic Director of the Red Bull Theater in New York, Circle Mirror Transformation runs March 3 – April 3, 2011 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 [www.ppt.org](http://www.ppt.org). Circle Mirror Transformation is presented by LANXESS.

Circle Mirror Transformation follows a six-week Creative Drama class held in a Vermont community center. The instructor is Marty (Bridget Connors), who balances on a yoga ball as she teaches role-play exercises and theater games. The students include Schultz (Daniel Krell), a newly divorced carpenter; Theresa (Daina Michelle Griffith), who

tried making it as an actor in New York but has recently returned to her hometown; Lauren (Lauren Blumenfeld), a sullen teenager; and Marty's husband, James (John Shepard). Through short scenes, spare dialogue, and physical comedy we get to know the group members, whose revelations are both hilarious and touching. Ben Brantley in The New York Times described Baker as a seriously gifted young playwright and said she has, "as natural an ear for how people really talk – and shut up – as any American playwright in recent years."

The design team for Circle Mirror Transformation is David M. Barber (Scenic & Costumes), Don Darnutzer (Lighting), and Zach Moore (Sound) and Zach Moore and Dustin E. Newman (Original Music). Fred Noel is the Production Stage Manager and Adrienne Wells is the Assistant Stage Manager.

### About the Playwright

Annie Baker grew up in Amherst, Massachusetts. Her full-length plays include Body Awareness (Atlantic Theater Company), Circle Mirror Transformation (Playwrights Horizons), The Aliens (Rattlestick Playwrights Theater), and Nocturama. Recent honors include a New York Drama Critics Circle Special Citation, a Time Warner Storytelling Fellowship, a MacDowell Fellowship, and commissions from Center Theatre Group and Playwrights Horizons. She received her MFA from Mac Wellman's playwriting program at Brooklyn College.

### Pittsburgh Public Theater Presents

**What: Circle Mirror Transformation**

**When: March 3 through April 3, 2011**

### Performance Schedule

**Tues. through Sat. at 8 pm (except Tues., March 29 when the show is at 7 pm).**

**Sat. at 2 pm (except March 5 & 12).**

**There will be an additional 2 pm matinee on Thurs., March 31.**

**Sun. at 2 & 7 pm.**

**Press Night is Thurs. March 10. Opening Night is Fri. March 11.**

**Ticket Prices: \$30.75 to \$55.75. \$15.75 for students and age 26 and younger.**

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# Theater

## Shrek The Musical

**D**reamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street Productions, Ltd. are pleased to announce that SHREK THE MUSICAL with book and lyrics by David Lindsay-Abaire and music by Jeanine Tesori, directed by Jason Moore and Rob Ashford, will play Benedum Center, for one week only, Tuesday, March 15, through Sunday, March 20, 2011. Tickets (\$22-\$68) and are available at the Box Office at Theater Square, online at pgharts.org and charge by phone at 412-456-6666. Groups of 10+ may call 412-471-6930. SHREK THE MUSICAL is a presentation of the PNC Broadway Across America - Pittsburgh series, presented by The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust, Pittsburgh Symphony and Broadway Across America.

The role of everyone's favorite swamp-dwelling ogre, Shrek will be played by Eric Petersen, who joins the tour from the Broadway production. He recently appeared as the socially challenged Barfee in the National tour of The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee. Haven Burton, also from the Broadway Company will play the feisty Princess Fiona. Haven previously played Margo the Dog Whisperer on Broadway in Legally Blonde and understudied Elle Woods. Alan Mingo, Jr. is Shrek's lovably annoying best friend Donkey. He was an original company member of The Little Mermaid where he played the role of Sebastian, and prior to that played the role of Tom Collins in RENT on Broadway. David F. M. Vaughn plays the vertically challenged villain Lord Farquaad. He too joins the tour from the Broadway Company. He has also appeared in Les Misérables and Saturday Night Fever.

Rounding out the cast of misfit fairy tale characters, the peoples of Duloc and Far, Far Away are: Joe Abraham, Holly Ann Butler, Carrie Compere, Emily Cramer, Tyrone Davis, Jr., Sandra DeNise, Hayley Feinstein, David Foley, Aymee Garcia, Brian Gonzales, Derek Hanson, Benjamin Howes, Cara Kem, Sean McKnight, Mara Newbery, Denny Paschall, Sarah Peak, Keven Quillon, Morgan Rose, Jason W. Shuffler, Danielle Soibelman, Blakely Slaybaugh and Julius Thomas III.

"We are thrilled to send SHREK THE MUSICAL to theatres across the country," said Bill Damaschke, President of DreamWorks Theatricals, "and for American families to experience their favorite ogre and fairy tale creatures live on stage."

An entirely new musical, SHREK THE MUSICAL is based on the story and characters from William Steig's book Shrek!, as well as the DreamWorks Animation film Shrek, the first chapter of the Shrek movie series.

SHREK THE MUSICAL tells the story of a swamp-dwelling ogre who goes on a life-changing adventure to reclaim the deed to his land. Joined by a wise-cracking donkey, this unlikely hero fights a fearsome dragon, rescues a feisty princess and learns that real friendship and true love aren't only found in fairy tales.



SHREK THE MUSICAL features a book and lyrics by Pulitzer Prize® winner David Lindsay-Abaire (Rabbit Hole), music by Olivier Award-winner Jeanine Tesori (Thoroughly Modern Millie, Caroline, or Change), and is directed by Tony Award® nominee Jason Moore (Avenue Q) and Tony and Emmy Award-winner Rob Ashford (Thoroughly Modern Millie, Promises Promises). SHREK THE MUSICAL has set and costume designs by Tony Award® winner Tim Hatley (Private Lives, Spamalot), lighting design by Olivier Award winner Hugh Vanstone (A Steady Rain), sound design by Peter Hylenski (Rock of Ages); choreography by Josh Prince, music supervision by Tim Weil, music direction by Andy Grobengieser, and orchestrations by Danny Troob & John Clancy.

SHREK THE MUSICAL was initiated when Sam Mendes, a big fan of the first Shrek film, suggested the idea of creating a musical to DreamWorks Animation's Jeffrey Katzenberg around the time the second film was in production. The musical is produced by DreamWorks Theatricals (Bill Damaschke, President of DreamWorks Theatricals and Co-President of Production for DreamWorks Animation) and Neal Street Productions, Ltd. (principals Sam Mendes and Caro Newling).

**SHREK THE MUSICAL will play the Benedum Center, March 15-20. Performance times are: Tuesday-Thursday, 7:30 p.m.; Friday, 8 p.m.; Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m.; and Sunday at 1:30 and 6:30 p.m.**

# ANDREW'S STEAKHOUSE

RIVERS CASINO

BY SUZ PISANO  
PHOTOGRAPHY RYAN CHERRY

*New York Strip Steak*







**Beef Tartare**

This month dear Nightwire readers I'm really excited to tell you about how Lady Luck shows her hand with fine dining at The Rivers Casino right inside Andrew's Steakhouse. Even if you don't hit it big or even consider yourself a gambler..... The high-end cuisine at Andrew's Steakhouse is no gamble. Excellent atmosphere, service and menu offerings, plus their exclusive six page wine list is absolutely outstanding.... Andrew's Steakhouse is a sure bet! AND it's not just steak.....they have raw bar selections, fabulous appetizers, soups, salads, modern entrees and seafood selections. Andrew's takes great pride in providing the freshest vegetables and 100 percent hormone-free, antibiotic free Angus beef along with Elysian Fields lamb and local chicken.

We began our evening at a lovely window table in an elegant atmosphere that felt far, far away from the noisy casino floor. There is no dress code at Andrew's (meaning that there's no closet of jackets for men to "borrow" while dining) but the food definitely deserves the respect that you might feel wearing your best suit or an evening gown! We certainly felt fashionable and so did the couple wearing jeans behind us. I said elegant atmosphere, not "stuffy" traditional male driven steakhouse atmosphere. I did peruse the menu prior to our reservation and couldn't wait to try the Steamed PEI Mussels (\$10) with saffron, white wine & chorizo. I knew that everyone at our table didn't quite care for mussels so I was quickly calculating that there would be plenty for me to get my fill. I'm positive that I'll be back to have a glass of wine and a bowl of mussels at the bar. Next we sampled the Beef Tartare (\$10) which is raw filet (don't freak out!) and was super scrumptious. The Beef Tartare brought back so many memories of being raised eating raw ground meat - something that is unheard of in most households & something that you really wouldn't want to do today. There



**Carrot Cake**

was no evidence of tartare on that plate, that's how delicious this was and I stress my point that you absolutely have to try this, it's simply melt in your mouth delicious. The Seared Diver Scallops (\$14) were so succulent and savory it prompted one guest to ask if scallops always taste this way. "Not really", I replied but what a

**“Excellent atmosphere, service and menu offerings, plus their exclusive six page wine list is absolutely outstanding.... Andrew's Steakhouse is a sure bet!**

treat these scallops were- so big, so fresh and seared to perfection, sauced with vanilla-chardonnay syrup. The appetizer choices are abundant, so take some friends and you can try several! Seafood by the piece from the raw bar would be a nice accompaniment for a lighter meal- Split King Crab Legs or Maine Lobster, Oysters or Poached Shrimp as well as Traditional Shrimp Cocktail or Oysters on the Half Shell are all tempting.

Okay I'm getting anxious to tell you about the Steak! I hope I've teased your taste buds enough with Andrew's seafood definitely the finest in the city! Now, onto the steaks.... The grand daddy of all the steaks presented by Andrew's is the Porterhouse for 2 (\$68) and worth every penny! Its 40 ounces of slow cooked heaven! It was so beautiful and so big. If you love steak and like sharing- this





### *Serrano Ham Wrapped Pork Tenderloin*

is the winner. I really felt like a high-roller eating this colossal choice and it's kind of romantic too! Sides are ala carte and the choices are plentiful- you can have everything from French fries to asparagus to a colossal baked sweet potato to creamed spinach to lobster macaroni & cheese (which BTW was "to die for"! ). But



*Preparing Flaming Coffee Drinks*

don't worry if you can't choose just one- Andrew's offers a Trio of Sides (\$10). These accompaniments are definitely enough to share! Let your server pair your meal with a wonderful wine served by the glass or by the bottle. The selections are outstanding. All of the best steaks are offered- Certified Black Angus Filet (8 oz. \$28 & 12 oz. \$38), Prime Dry Aged New York Strip (14 oz. \$38) and a 20 oz. Bone-In Rib Eye (\$36). I've never seen such beautiful meat! Upgrades, accompaniments and sauces are also offered - it's as if anything you could ever want with a steak can be yours- "Oscar Style" with King Crab, Asparagus and Béarnaise Sauce (\$15) would be my ultimate steak upgrade! Or you can try an accompaniment of a Jumbo Lump Crab Cake (\$25) or a Lobster Tail (\$25). The superb choices seem endless. Next time I hit the slots I won't feel

bad about spending my winnings right back at the casino..... right back at that window table! Even as I write this column, I'm contemplating making a reservation.....I can skip the slots!

If you're not in the mood for steak or seafood, Andrew's menu also tempts you with a 12 oz. Burger (\$18) which, well, I'll leave it up to you to do the research.....sounds like THE best burger in the burg. There's also Park Farms Chicken and Elysian Fields Lamb Shank and a Serrano Ham Wrapped Pork Tenderloin, a meal fit for a king and certainly something to suit every palate. Andrew's is fine dining at it finest. Savory and sumptuous dishes with a unique flair.

Andrew's Steakhouse has an in-house pastry chef who creates not only beautiful but edible works of art. You can tell that this is a dream job and the desserts are definitely dreamy! I've run out of room to go into detail but take your time, save room, you will definitely enjoy! You won't want to miss out on the rolling coffee cart a perfect ending to any meal that will surely delight your senses, order a flaming coffee, its not only delicious, but a spectacular presentation...one not to be missed!

Andrew's is located across the casino floor toward the river, and is open Sundays Wednesdays & Thursdays from 5 pm till 9:30 pm and Fridays & Saturdays 5 pm till 11 pm. Reservations are suggested. For larger parties they even have a private dining room or for a glass of wine have a seat at the bar.

The Rivers Casino really does it right with the best steakhouse in the city! And it's named after our 2 famous Andy's! Let Lady Luck tempt you.....check the menu out at [www.theriverscasino.com/andrews](http://www.theriverscasino.com/andrews). And as always..... tell them your friends at Nightwire sent you!

Laissez le bon temps roulet! Bon Chance!

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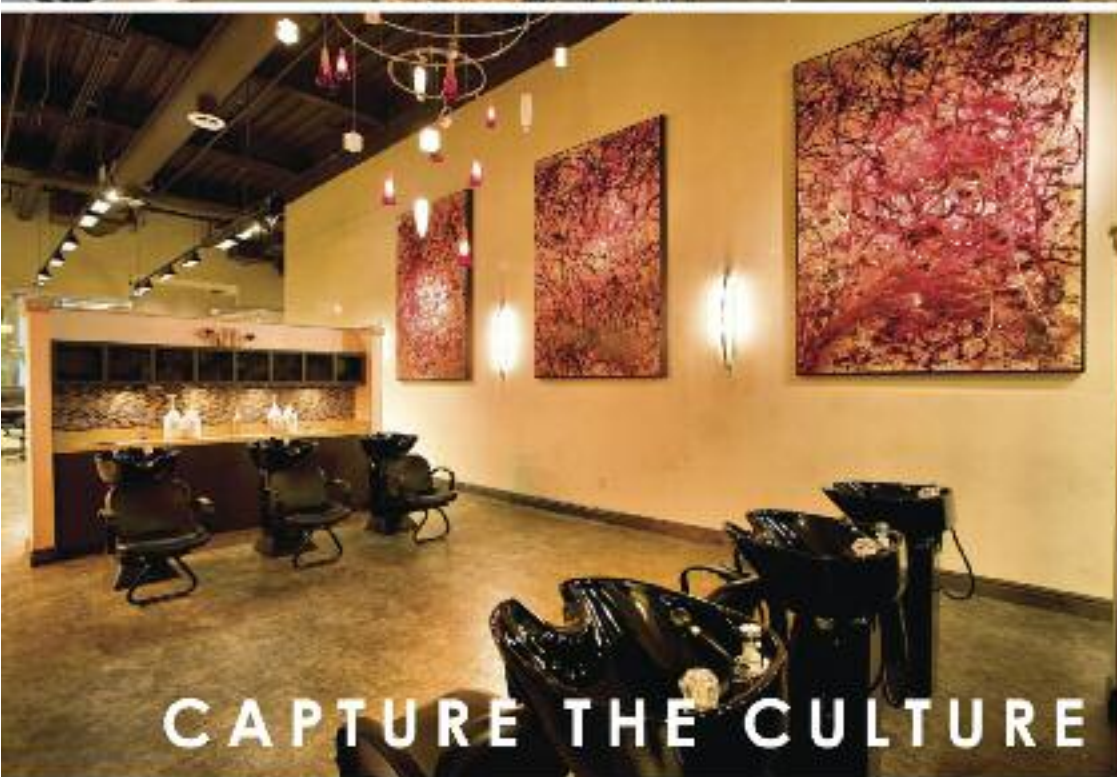
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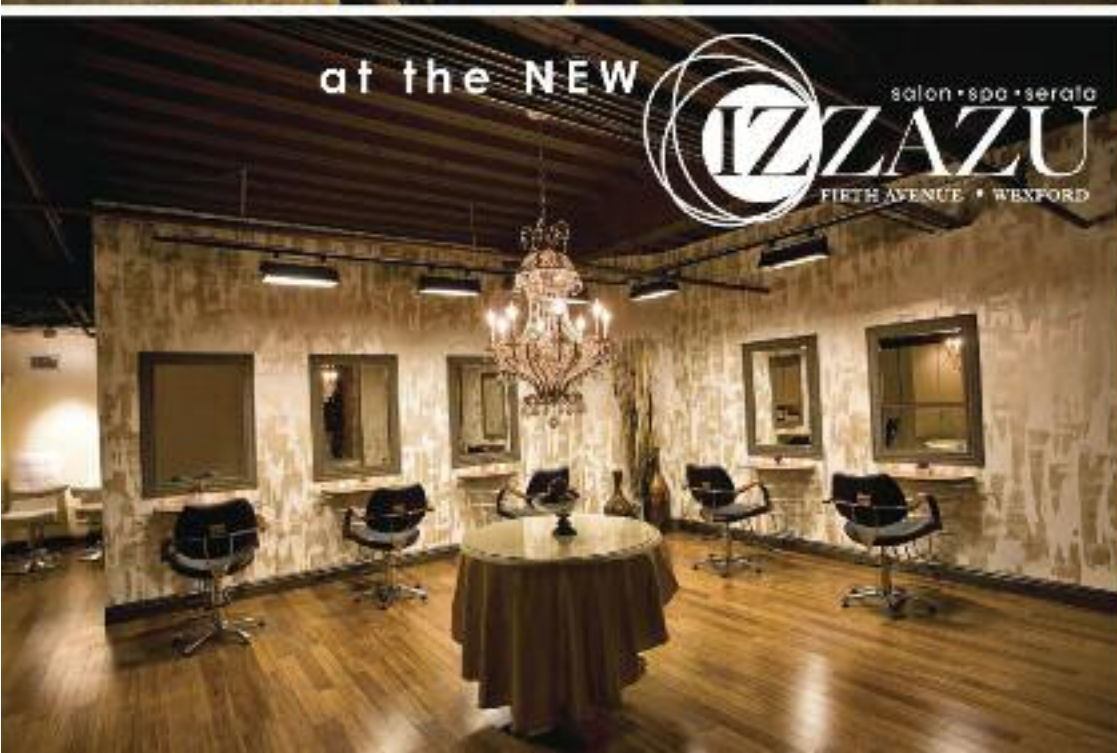
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# Ask The Attorney

Ask The Lawyer: "Legal Briefs" Courtesy Of Local Attorney / Mediator / Collaborative Settlement Advocate Jeff Pollock



## **Q: What should I do if I slip and fall on someone's property?**

**A:** After focusing on your health, get as much information as possible to document whose fault it was to help document/prove any future legal case.

Landowners and occupiers are responsible for keeping their buildings and grounds reasonably safe for visitors. However, a business owner is responsible for injuries suffered by patrons if the owner either knows of a potentially dangerous condition on the business premises or should know of the condition and fails to correct it or warn customers about it.

Store owners are responsible if a spilled substance or wet floor was neglected for an unreasonable period of time. In slip and fall cases, great attention is focused on the specific condition of the floor and on the facts relating to the owner's knowledge.

Business owners should maintain records of their cleaning and maintenance – even hourly records in large establishments. Noticing these details can make a tremendous difference in a liability case.

Falls on snowy or icy surfaces are treated differently. An owner is only typically liable to customers for their injuries from falls if the accumulation of snow and ice has extended over such time that it has formed into "ridges and hills." This doctrine came about because a requirement that a business's walkways always be free of ice and snow would impose "an impossible burden in view of the climatic conditions in our hemisphere. One must determine whether your fall was unavoidable or was the fault of careless snow removal.

In either scenario, if you fall and injure yourself on someone else's property and you can prove that the landowner was responsible/negligent, you may have a legal claim for damages. You may be entitled to recover your medical expenses, loss of earnings, and compensation for pain and suffering, as well as other harm directly related to your mishap.

Since there are many exceptions, special rules, and factors that affect such cases, contact counsel as soon after your fall as possible.

**IN CONCLUSION,** If you slip and fall on someone else's property:

- Get the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of witnesses
- Get a good look at whatever you tripped over or slipped on
- Pay careful attention to anything the employees might say
- Don't give a statement about what happened & don't sign anything (like a release)
- Call a Personal Injury Lawyer as soon as possible

Have a fun and safe month of March Madness with the Big East Tourney, 1st Day of Spring, and St. Patrick's Day events! If Nightwire Magazine readers have questions about this article or suggestions for future topics, please call Joyce at (412) 855-5536 or Attorney/Mediator Pollock at his Squirrel Hill office at (412) 421-2232.

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## Bad Girls

Internationally renowned psychiatrist and best-selling author Dr. Carole Lieberman takes an in-depth look at the allure of bad girls with the release of her new book *BAD GIRLS: Why Men Love Them & How Good Girls Can Learn Their Secrets*. One of the most highly-respected American psychiatrists who has appeared on Oprah, Larry King, Dr. Phil and The TODAY Show, Dr. Carole takes a no-holds barred, provocative look at the sordid women who steal the hearts of men.

### About *BAD GIRLS*:

In *Bad Girls*, Dr. Carole warns men to beware of the 12 types of dangerous damsels and reveals the appeal of the most famous bad girls of all time (ie: "The Gold-Digger"/Anna Nicole Smith, "The Addict"/Britney Spears, "The Sexual Withholder"/Nicole Kidman, "The Husband Stealer"/Angelina Jolie, "The Commitment Phobe"/Pamela Anderson, and "The Husband Hunter and Trapper"/ Jessica Simpson).

*Bad Girls* includes over 100 shocking and intimate interviews with men who were hooked on bad girls and how it ruined their lives. Men discover how susceptible they are to being put under a bad girl's spell by taking "The Sitting Duck Test" and learn tips to avoid falling prey to a bad girl. Similarly, women take "The Bad Girl Test" to reveal if they are a Wanna-Be Bad Girl, a Man-Eater, or somewhere in between. For wanna-be bad girls, Dr. Carole helps good girls discover bad girl secrets, so that men will fall at their feet without breaking their hearts.

### About the Author:

Dr. Carole is a three-time Emmy award-winner and author of the bestselling book *Bad Boys: Why We Love Them, How to Live with Them and When to Leave Them*. In *Bad Boys*, Dr. Carole reveals how women can turn frogs into princes, how to avoid unhealthy relationships, and how men addicted to heartbreak can find true love. She can be heard live every Tuesday as the host of the popular talk show *Dr. Carole's Couch* on VoiceAmerica.com. She also maintains a star-studded private practice in Beverly Hills and works as a psychiatric expert witness, testifying in high profile trials.

### Review Notes from Nightwire:

This book is extremely well written.... you will not want to put it down, Dr. Carole nails it. A "must read" for everyone out there in a relationship or for anyone looking for a relationship.... Book can be purchased at major bookstores or online at Amazon.



## Season at Fenn Farm... The Winter Bond

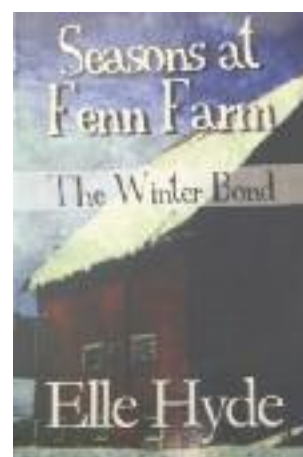
**S**easons at Fenn Farm The Winter Bond is a collection of four fictional short stories, each set in a different season. The main character is a middle-aged woman confronting the realities of aging. She crosses paths with animals, humans, and nature with unexpected joy, hardship, and sorrow, and she cares for her surroundings in times of hardship and joy. Hence, her assiduous respect for nature buffers, nurtures, and gives her a sense a peace through the high and low points of her life.

The four short stories will leaving you wanting more... it's a very easy relaxing read with heart felt emotions. In your minds eye you will begin to see and feel the strong bonds and range of emotions this middle age woman is experiencing. These touching stories will tug at your heart and you won't want to put the book down. As you devour each of the four short stories you'll find yourself quickly wanting more. Elle is relatively a new writer, but her book definitely shows off her talents and ranks her right up there with the best. This is a "must read" highly recommended by Nightwire. Fenn Farm, a fictional place... maybe....or maybe not!

Seasons at Fenn Farm can be purchased online or ask for it at your favorite book store. Retail: \$24.95

The Winter series of Seasons at Fenn Farm was originally a short story entitled *The Christmas Bond*, written as a Christmas gift to Elle's family and friends. After much encouragement to write additional stories, Elle composed Spring, Summer, and Fall. Growing up in rural Western Pennsylvania, and living on a 120 year-old horse farm gave Elle many personal stories and inspirations to draw from.

As an accomplished entrepreneur, chef, and UI legal consultant, Elle Hyde has a very diverse professional background. However, she recently decided to concentrate on her fictional stories and write full-time. Elle spends much of her time on her farm or traveling, searching for new story ideas. To learn more about Elle visit her on her website: [www.ellehyde.us.com](http://www.ellehyde.us.com)



## St. Patrick's Day Questions

Q. Why do people wear shamrocks on St. Patrick's Day?

A. Regular rocks are too heavy.

Q. Why can't you borrow money from a leprechaun?

A. Because they're always a little short.

Q. Why do leprechauns have pots o'gold?

A. They like to "go" first class!

Q. How can you tell if an Irishman is having a good time?

A. He's Dublin over with laughter!

Q. What's Irish and stays out all night?

A. Patty O'furniture!

Q. How did the Irish Jig get started?

A. Too much to drink and not enough restrooms!

Q. What do you call an Irishman who knows how to control his wife?

A. A bachelor.

## My Last Wish

Two Irishmen, Patrick Murphy and Shawn O'Brian grew up together and were lifelong friends. But alas, Patrick developed cancer, and was dying. While on his deathbed, Patrick called to his buddy, Shawn, "O'Brian, come 'ere. I 'ave a request for ye." Shawn walked to his friend's bedside and kneels.

"Shawny ole boy, we've been friends all our lives, and now I'm leaving 'ere. I 'ave one last request fir ye to do."

O'Brian burst into tears, "Anything Patrick, anything ye wish. It's done." "Well, under me bed is a box containing a bottle of the finest whiskey in all of Ireland. Bottled the year I was born it was. After I die, and they plant me in the ground, I want you to pour that fine whiskey over me grave so it might soak into me bones and I'll be able to enjoy it for all eternity." O'Brian was overcome by the beauty and in the true Irish spirit of his friend's request, he asked, "Aye, tis a fine thing you ask of me, and I will pour the whiskey. But, might I strain it through me kidneys first?"

## The Errand

McQuillan walked into a bar and ordered martini after martini, each time removing the olives and placing them in a jar. When the jar was filled with olives and all the drinks consumed, the Irishman started to leave. "S'cuse me", said a customer, who was puzzled over what McQuillan had done, "what was that all about?" "Nothin'", said the Irishman, "me wife just sent me out for a jar of olives!"

## The Lost Luggage

An Irishman arrived at J.F.K. Airport and wandered around the terminal with tears streaming down his cheeks. An airline employee asked him if he was already homesick. "No," replied the Irishman. "I've lost all me luggage!" "How'd that happen?" "The cork fell out!" said the Irishman.

## Water to wine

An Irish priest is driving down to New York and gets stopped for speeding. The state trooper smells alcohol on the priest's breath and then sees an empty wine bottle on the floor of the car. He says, "Sir, have you been drinking?" "Just water," says the priest. The trooper says, "Then why do I smell wine?" The priest looks at the bottle and says, "Good Lord! He's done it again!"

## Lost at Sea

Two Irishmen, Pat & Mike were adrift in a lifeboat following a dramatic escape from a burning freighter. While rummaging through the boat's provisions, Pat stumbled across an old lamp. Secretly hoping that a genie would appear, he rubbed the lamp vigorously. To the amazement of Pat, a genie came forth. This particular genie, however, stated that he could only deliver one wish, not the standard three. Without giving much thought to the matter, Pat blurted out, "Make the entire ocean into Guinness Beer!" The genie clapped his hands with a deafening crash, and immediately the entire sea turned into the finest brew ever sampled by mortals. Simultaneously, the genie vanished. Only the gentle lapping of Guinness on the hull broke the stillness as the two men considered their circumstances. Mike looked disgustedly at Pat whose wish had been granted. After a long, tension-filled moment, he spoke: "Nice going Pat! Now we're going to have to pee in the boat!"

## The Fall

Murphy was staggering home with a pint of booze in his back pocket when he slipped and fell heavily. Struggling to his feet, he felt something wet running down his leg. "Please Lord," he implored, "let it be blood!!"

## You've Been Drinking Again

An Irishman had been drinking at a pub all night. The bartender finally said that the bar was closing. So, the Irishman stood up to leave fell flat on his face. He tried to stand one more time; same result. He figured he'll crawl outside and get some fresh air and maybe that will sober him up. Once outside, he stood up and fell on his face again. So he decided to crawl the four blocks home. Again, he fell flat on his face.



He crawled through the door and into his bedroom. When he reached his bed he tried one more time to stand up. This time he managed to pull himself upright, but he quickly fell right into the bed and is sound asleep as soon as his head hit the pillow. He was awakened the next morning to his wife standing over him, shouting, "SO YOU'VE BEEN DRINKING AGAIN!" Putting on an innocent look, and intent on bluffing it out he said, "What makes you say that?" "The pub just called; you left your wheelchair there again."

## 10 of the Best Short, Funny and Hilarious Irish Jokes To Be Sure:

Reilly is walking through a graveyard when he comes across a headstone with the inscription "Here lies a politician and an honest man." 'Faith now,' exclaims Reilly, 'I wonder how they got the two of them in one grave.'

'O'Toole and his wife are in bed one night and they hear the neighbor's dog is barking its head off in the garden. Somewhat disturbed by the noise, O'Toole explodes, 'Botheration and that!' and storms off downstairs. He comes back upstairs five minutes later and his wife asks, 'What did you do, O'Toole?' O'Toole replies with a wide grin, 'I've put the dog in our garden so I did, now let's see how they like it.' Donncha is shocked at finding out all his cows are suffering from "Bluetongue." 'Bejabbers,' Donncha murmurs, 'I didn't even know they had mobile phones.'

Gallagher is in Boston and he is waiting patiently, also, he is watching the traffic cop on a busy street crossing. The cop stops the flow of traffic and shouts, 'Okay pedestrians'. Then he allows the traffic to pass. He did this several times, and Gallagher is still standing on the sidewalk. After the cop has shouted 'Pedestrians' for the tenth time, Gallagher approaches him and says, 'Is it not about time ye let the Catholics across?' 'Why do you Irish always answer a question with a question?' asked President Franklin D. Roosevelt. 'Do we now?' came New York Mayor Al Smith's reply.

Finnegan sells Michael a donkey, some weeks later they met in a pub in Killarney and Michael says, 'Hey, Finnegan, that donkey you sold me went and died.' Finnegan just sips his Guinness slowly and retorts, 'Bejabbers, Michael, it never done that on me.'

Murphy lost a hundred dollars on the Melbourne Cup, a famous Australian horserace. He also lost another hundred on the television replay.

Kieran O'Connor always slept with his gun under his pillow. Hearing a noise at the foot of the bed, he shot off his big toe. 'Thank the Lord I wasn't sleeping at the other end of the bed,' Kieran said to his friends in Donegal's pub. 'I would have blown my head off.'

O'Gara was arrested and sent for trial for armed bank robbery. After due deliberation, the jury foreman stood up and announced, 'Not guilty.' 'That's grand,' shouted O'Gara, 'Does that mean I get to keep the money?'

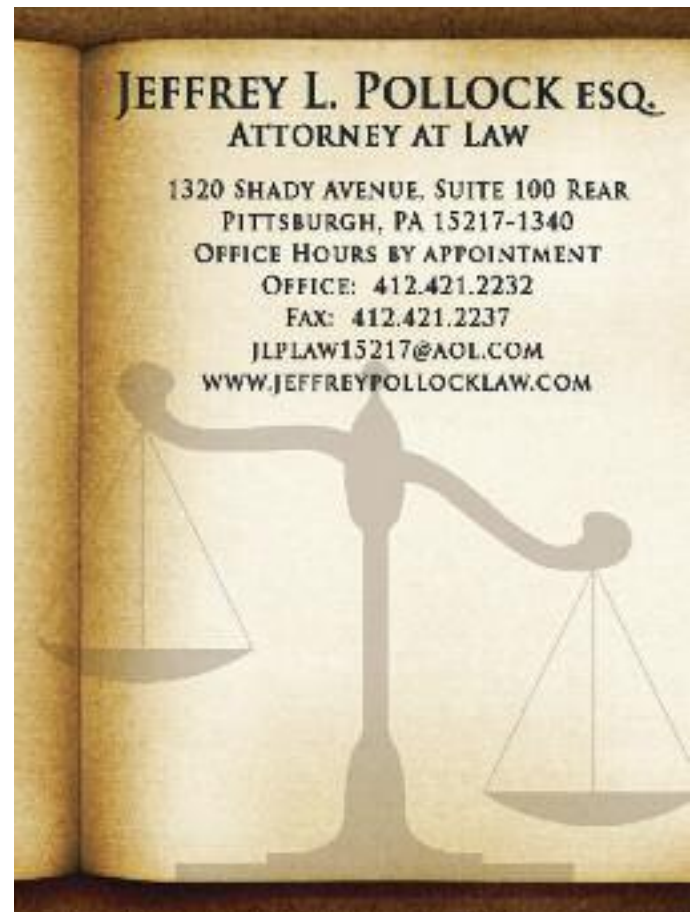
'Ah, that was a lovely dress,' announced Colleen, 'and it would have fitted me if I could have got into it, so it would.'

## The Defining Quality of the Best Irish Jokes

What set's Irish jokes apart is their special logic. Indeed, it is this ability to use words with multiple meanings that is the essence of jokes. Here are three examples of playing with phrases which have more than one meaning.

## Irishmen Flying High

Two Irishmen hired an open cockpit aeroplane to fly over Dublin on St Patrick's Day. As they were winging their way through the air, O'Toole turned to his friend, Murphy and said, 'Murphy, I'm going to fly upside down.'



'Begorrah, O'Toole', shouted Murphy, 'don't do that, we'll fall out.' 'No we won't,' responded O'Toole, 'I'll still talk to you.'

## Classic Irish Joke

Dave and Peter, two English men, are walking along O'Connell Street, in Dublin, when they see a sign in a shop window: Suits £15.00, shirts £2.00, trousers £2.50. Peter says to Dave, 'Look at that - we could buy a lot of that gear and, when we get back to England we could make a fortune. When we go into the shop don't say anything, let me do all the talking, because if they hear our accent they might not serve us, so I'll speak in my best Irish accent.' They go in and Peter orders, 5 suits at \$15.00, 10 shirts at \$12.00 and 5 trousers at \$10.50 The owner of the shop says, 'You're English aren't you?' Peter replies 'Oh bother... Yes, how on earth did you know that?' The owner says, 'This is a dry cleaners...'

## Father O'Connor - Irish Tale from Cork

Father O'Connor walks into a pub and says to the first man he meets, 'Do you want go to heaven?' The man replies, 'Yes, Father.' Father O'Connor then says, 'Leave this bar right now, and go outside'. O'Connor proceeds to another man, and asks him the same thing. The chap also answers, 'Yes'. Father O'Connor asks him too to go out. The Reverend Father goes the third man and asks, 'Would you like to go to heaven?' This time the reply is, 'No thank-you Father.' Surprised, Father O'Connor asks, 'Why not?' The man opines, 'I mean I do, but only after I die.' The Father O'Connor explains, 'That's what I am talking about.' The man says, 'Oh, I thought you are getting a group ready right now.'

## 10 More of Will and Guy's Best Irish Jokes

These short jokes capture the best of Irish humor. They are even funnier if you read them out loud, or better still, tell them to friend in a thick Irish brogue.

'Ah, good morning, Mrs. Irwin, and how is everything?'

'Sure and I'm having a great time of it between my husband and the fire. If I keep my eye on the one, the other is sure to go out.'

'Shay, do you understand French?'

'To be sure, I do if it's spoken in Irish.'

'The baby is just like his father,' said Pauline McDonald, 'but at least he's got his health.'

Two Irishmen, Pat and Murphy, saw sign saying "Tree fellers" wanted. Murphy said to Pat, said, 'If only Seamus had been with us we'd have got that job.'

(One of those Irish Jokes better told than written).

'I'd like some nails,' Michael requested of the travelling tinker.

'How long would you like them?' asked the man.

'Forever, if that's all right with you,' said Michael.

'Murphy, why don't you give up the drinking, smoking and carousing?' said Mrs O'Leary 'It's too late,' replied Murphy.

'It's never too late,' assured the virtuous Mrs. O'Leary.

'Well, there's no rush then,' smiled Murphy.

'There's a terrible smell in this café,' said O'Hara.

'Maybe it's the drains.' 'It can't be the drains,' retorted O'Hara, 'we haven't got any.'

'I'll have fish and chips twice,' announced O'Driscoll.

'Very well,' said the shopkeeper. 'The fish won't be long.'

'Then they'd better be fat,' suggested O'Driscoll.

'I was going to give him a nasty look but he already had one.'

Kearney and his wife, a middle-aged couple, went for a stroll in Phoenix Park, Dublin, last week. They sat down on a bench to rest. It was then they overheard voices coming from a secluded spot. Immediately Mrs. Kearney realized that a young man was about to propose to his beloved. Not wishing to eavesdrop at such an intimate moment, she nudged her husband and whispered, 'Whistle and let that young couple know that someone can hear them.' Kearney replied, 'Whistle? Why should I whistle? Nobody whistled to warn me.'

## Side Effects of Jet Fuel

Ole and Sven were drinking buddies who worked as aircraft mechanics in Minneapolis and one day the airport was fogged in and they were stuck in the hangar with nothing to do. Ole said, "I vish ve had somethin ta drink!" Sven says, "Me too. Y'know, I hear you can drink dat yet fuel and get a buzz. Ya vanna try it?" So they pour themselves a couple of glasses of high octane hooch and got completely smashed. Next morning Ole woke up and is surprised at how good he feels. In fact he feels GREAT! NO hangover! NO bad side effects. Nothing! The phone rang. It was Sven who asks "How iss you feelin dis mornin?" Ole says, "I feel great. How bout you?" Sven says, "I feel great, too. Ya don't have no hangover?" Ole says, "No dat yet fuel iss great stuff -- no hangover, nothin. Ve oughta do dis more often." Sven agreed. "Yeah, vell, but dere's jüst vun ting." Ole asked, "Vat's dat?" Sven questioned, "Haff you broke wind yet?" Ole stopped to think. "No " "Vell, DON'T, 'cause I'm in Iowa



## You Know Your In A Recession When....

You get a pre-declined credit card in the mail.

Your wife is having sex with you because she can't afford batteries.

CEO's are now playing miniature golf.

Exxon-Mobil laid off 25 Congressmen.

A stripper was killed when her audience showered her with rolls of pennies while she danced.

A Mormon polygamist now only has one wife.

Your bank returns your check marked "Insufficient Funds," you call them and ask if they meant you or them.

McDonald's is selling the 1/4 ounce

Angelina Jolie adopted a child from America .

Parents in Beverly Hills fired their nannies and learned their children's names.

Your have a friend that had an exorcism but couldn't afford to pay for it, and they re-possessed her!

A truckload of Americans were caught sneaking into Mexico.

A picture is now only worth 200 words.

The Treasure Island Casino in Las Vegas is now managed by Somali pirates.

Congress says they are now looking into this Bernard Madoff scandal. Oh Great! The guy who made \$50 Billion disappear is being investigated by the people who made \$1.5 Trillion disappear!

And, finally...

You get so depressed thinking about the economy, wars, jobs, your savings, Social Security, retirement funds, etc., you call the Suicide Hotline. You get the call center in Pakistan, and when you tell them you are suicidal, they get all excited, and ask if you can drive a truck.

## Twenty-Nine Lines To Make You Smile

1. My husband and I divorced over religious differences. He thought he was God and I didn't.
2. I don't suffer from insanity; I enjoy every minute of it.

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3. Some people are alive only because it's illegal to kill them.
4. I used to have a handle on life, but it broke.
5. Don't take life too seriously; No one gets out alive.
6. You're just jealous because the voices only talk to me.
7. Beauty is in the eye of the beer holder.
8. Earth is the insane asylum for the universe.
9. I'm not a complete idiot -- Some parts are just missing.
10. Out of my mind. Back in five minutes.
11. NyQuil, the stuffy, sneezy, why-the-heck-is-the-room-spinning medicine.
12. God must love stupid people; He made so many.
13. The gene pool could use a little chlorine.
14. Consciousness: That annoying time between naps.
15. Ever stop to think, and forget to start again?
16. Being 'over the hill' is much better than being under it!
17. Wrinkled Was Not One of the Things I Wanted to Be When I Grew up.
18. Procrastinate Now!
19. I Have a Degree in Liberal Arts; Do You Want Fries With That?
20. A hangover is the wrath of grapes.
21. A journey of a thousand miles begins with a cash advance.
22. Stupidity is not a handicap. Park elsewhere!

23. They call it PMS because Mad Cow Disease was already taken.
24. He who dies with the most toys is nonetheless DEAD.
25. A picture is worth a thousand words, but it uses up three thousand times the memory.
26. Ham and eggs... A day's work for a chicken, a lifetime commitment for a pig.
27. The trouble with life is there's no background music.
28. The original point and click interface was a Smith & Wesson.
29. I smile because I don't know what the hell is going on. Appreciate every single thing you have, especially your friends! Life is too short and friends are too FEW!

## Words of Wisdom from Maxine

- Ever notice that people who tell you to calm down are the ones who got you mad in the first place?
- Ever get the feeling your stuff strutted off without you?
- You keep hitting "escape" but you're still here.
- Ever notice how men are always whining that we are suffocating them? Personally I think if you can still hear them whining you're not pressing down hard enough on the pillow.
- Did you ever notice how scary it is when you start making the same noises as your coffeemaker.
- I'm starting to wonder how bad 4 years with no president would be.
- Any woman can have the body of a 21 year old as long as she buys him a few drinks first.

## The Group

A group of 15-year old guys discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they should meet at the Dairy Queen next to the Ocean View restaurant because they only had \$ 6.00 between them and Jannie Johnson, that cute girl in Social Studies, lives on that street and they might see her and they can ride their bikes there. Ten years later, the group of 25-year-old guys discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they should meet at the Ocean View restaurant because the beer was cheap , they had free snacks, the band was good, there was no cover and there were lots of cute girls. Ten years later, at 35 years of age, the group once again discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they should meet at the Ocean View restaurant because the booze was good, it was right near the gym and if they went late enough, there wouldn't be too many whiny little kids. Ten years later, at 45 years of age, the group once again discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they should meet at the Ocean View restaurant because the martinis were big, and the waitresses had nice boobs and wore tight pants.



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Ten years later, at 55 years of age, the group once again discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they should meet at the Ocean View restaurant because the prices were reasonable, the wine list was good and fish is good for your cholesterol. Ten years later, at 65 years of age, the group once again discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they should meet at the Ocean View restaurant because the lighting was good and they have an early bird special. Ten years later, at 75 years of age, the group once again discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they should meet at the Ocean View restaurant because the food was not too spicy, and the restaurant was handicapped accessible. Ten years later, at 85 years of age, the group once again discussed where they should meet for dinner. It was agreed they should meet at the Ocean View restaurant because they had never been there before!!

### Sex Therapy for Seniors

An Arizona couple, both well into their 80's, go to a sex therapist's office. The doctor asks, 'What can I do for you?' The man says, 'Will you watch us have sexual intercourse?' The doctor raises both eyebrows, but he is so amazed that such an elderly couple is asking for sexual advice that he agrees. When the couple finishes, the doctor says, 'There's absolutely nothing wrong with the way you have intercourse..' He thanks them for coming, he wishes them good luck, he charges them \$50 and he says good bye. The next week, the same couple returns and asks the sex therapist to watch again. The sex therapist is a bit puzzled, but agrees. This happens several weeks in a row. The couple makes an appointment, has intercourse with no problems, pays the doctor, then leave. Finally, after 3 months of this routine, the doctor says, 'I'm sorry, but I have to ask. Just what are you trying to find out?' The man says, 'We're not trying to find out anything. She's married; so we can't go to her house. I'm married; and we can't go to my house. The Holiday Inn charges \$98. The Hilton charges \$139. We do it here for \$50, and Medicare pays \$43 of it, leaving my net cost of \$7. SHAME ON YOU FOR LAUGHING AT THAT..'

### The New Priest...

An elderly priest, speaking to the younger priest, said, "You had a good idea to replace the first four pews with plush bucket theater seats. It worked like a charm. The front of the church always fills first now." The young priest nodded, and the elder priest continued, "And you told me that adding a little more beat to the music would bring young people back to church, so I supported you when you brought in that rock 'n roll gospel choir. Now our services are consistently packed to the balcony." "Thank you father," answered the young priest. I'm pleased that you're open to new ideas." "All of these ideas have been well and good," said the elderly priest, but I'm afraid you've gone too far with the drive-thru

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confessional." "But father," protested the young priest, "my confessions and donations have nearly doubled since I began that!" "Yes," replied the elderly priest, "and I appreciate that. But, the flashing neon sign, 'Toot 'n Tell or Go to Hell' cannot stay on the church roof!"...

## Watch What You Ask For

A man was sick and tired of going to work every day while his wife stayed home. He wanted her to see what he went through so he prayed: 'Dear Lord: I go to work every day and put in 8 hours while my wife merely stays at home. I want her to know what I go through. So, please allow her body to switch with mine for a day. God, in his infinite wisdom, granted the man's wish. The next morning, sure enough, the man awoke as a woman... He arose, cooked breakfast for his mate, awakened the kids, set out their school clothes, fed them breakfast, packed their lunches, drove them to school, came home and picked up the dry cleaning, took it to the cleaners and stopped at the bank to make a deposit, went grocery shopping, then drove home to put away the groceries, paid the bills and balanced the check book. He cleaned the cat's litter box and bathed the dog.. Then, it was already 1 P.M. and he hurried to make the beds, do the laundry, vacuum, dust, And sweep and mop the kitchen floor.



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Ran to the school to pick up the kids and got into an argument with them on the way home. Set out milk and cookies and got the kids organized to do their homework. Then, set up the ironing board and watched TV while he did the ironing. At 4:30 he began peeling potatoes and washing vegetables for salad, breaded the pork chops and snapped fresh beans for supper. After supper, he cleaned the kitchen, ran the dishwasher, folded laundry, bathed the kids, and put them to bed. At 9 P.M. he was exhausted and, though his daily chores weren't finished, he went to bed where he was expected to make love, which he managed to get through without complaint. The next morning, he awoke and immediately knelt by the bed and said: - Lord, I don't know what I was thinking. I was so wrong to envy my wife's being able to stay home all day. Please, Oh! Please, let us trade back.. Amen!' The Lord, in his infinite wisdom, replied: "My son, I feel you have learned your lesson and I will be happy to change things back to the way they were. But you'll have to wait nine months, though. You got pregnant last night"

## The Brain

In the hospital, where a family member lay gravely ill, the relatives gathered in the waiting room. Finally, the doctor came in looking tired and somber. "I'm afraid I'm the bearer of bad news," he said as he surveyed the worried faces. "the only hope left for your loved on at this time is a brain transplant. It's an experimental procedure, very risky, but it is the only hope. Insurance will cover the procedure, but you will have to pay for the BRAIN." The family members sat silent as they absorbed the news. After a time, someone asked, "how much will a brain cost?" The doctor quickly responded, "\$5,000 for a male brain; \$200 for a female brain." The moment turned awkward. Some of the men actually had to "try" to not smile, avoiding eye contact with the women. A man unable to control his curiosity, finally blurted out the question everyone wanted to ask, "why is the male brain so much more money that a female brain?" the doctor smiled at the childish innocence and explained to the entire group, "it's just standard pricing procedure. We have to price the female brains a lot lower because they've been used."

## A Trip To Sam's Club

Yesterday I was at my local SAM'S CLUB buying a large bag of Purina dog chow for my loyal pet, Biscuit, the Wonder Dog, and was in the checkout line when the woman behind me asked if I had a dog. What did she think I had, an elephant? So since I'm retired and have little to do, on impulse I told her that no, I didn't have a dog, I was starting the Purina Diet again. I added that I probably shouldn't, because I ended up in the hospital last time, but that I'd lost 50 pounds before I awakened in an intensive care ward with tubes coming out of most of my orifices and IVs in both arms. I told her that it was



essentially a perfect diet and that the way that it works is to load your pants pockets with Purina nuggets and simply eat one or two every time you feel hungry. The food is nutritionally complete so it works well and I was going to try it again.. (I have to mention here that practically everyone in line was now enthralled with my story..) Horrified, she asked if I ended up in intensive care because the dog food poisoned me. I told her no, I stepped off a curb to sniff an Irish Setter's ass and a car hit us both. I thought the guy behind her was going to have a heart attack he was laughing so hard. Better watch what you ask retired people! They have all the time in the world to think of crazy things to say.

## Male or Female?

You might not have known this, but a lot of non-living objects are actually either male or female. Here are some examples:

### FREEZER BAGS:

They are male, because they hold everything in, but you can see right through them.

### PHOTOCOPIERS:

These are female, because once turned off; it takes a while to warm them up again. They turned off; it takes a while to warm them up again. They are an effective reproductive device if the right buttons are pushed, but can also wreak havoc if you push the wrong Buttons.

### TIRES:

Tires are male, because they go bald easily and are often over inflated.

### HOT AIR BALLOONS:

Also a male object, because to get them to go anywhere, you have to light a fire under their butt.

### SPONGES:

These are female, because they are soft, squeezable and retain water.

### WEB PAGES:

Female, because they're constantly being looked at and frequently getting hit on.

### TRAINS:

Definitely male, because they always use the same old lines for picking up people.

### EGG TIMERS:

Egg timers are female because, over time, all the weight shifts to the bottom.

### HAMMERS:

Male, because in the last 5000 years, they've hardly changed at all, and are occasionally handy to have around.

### THE REMOTE CONTROL:

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1. When do you feel your best...

- A) in the morning
- B) during the afternoon and early evening
- C) late at night

2. You usually walk...

- A) fairly fast, with long steps
- B) fairly fast, with little steps
- C) less fast head up, looking the world in the face
- D) less fast, head down
- E) very slowly

3. When talking to people you...

- A) stand with your arms folded
- B) have your hands clasped
- C) have one or both your hands on your hips
- D) touch or push the person to whom you are talking
- E) play with your ear, touch your chin, or smooth your hair

4. When relaxing, you sit with..

- A) your knees bent with your legs neatly side by side
- B) your legs crossed
- C) your legs stretched out or straight
- D) one leg curled under you

5. When something really amuses you, you react with...

- A) big appreciated laugh
- B) a laugh, but not a loud one
- C) a quiet chuckle
- D) a sheepish smile

6. When you go to a party or social gathering you...

- A) make a loud entrance so everyone notices you
- B) make a quiet entrance, looking around for someone you know
- C) make the quietest entrance, trying to stay unnoticed

7. You're working very hard, concentrating hard, and you're interrupted...

- A) welcome the break
- B) feel extremely irritated
- C) vary between these two extremes

8. Which of the following colors do you like most....

- A) Red or orange
- B) black
- C) yellow or light blue
- D) green
- E) dark blue or purple
- F) white
- G) brown or gray

9. When you are in bed at night, in those last few moments before going to sleep you are.....

- A) stretched out on your back
- B) stretched out face down on your stomach
- C) on your side, slightly curled
- D) with your head on one arm
- E) with your head under the covers

10. You often dream that you are...

- A) falling

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- B) fighting or struggling
- C) searching for something or somebody
- D) flying or floating
- E) you usually have dreamless sleep
- F) your dreams are always pleasant

#### POINTS:

1. (a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 6
2. (a) 6 (b) 4 (c) 7 (d) 2 (e) 1
3. (a) 4 (b) 2 (c) 5 (d) 7 (e) 6
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Now add up the total number of points.

**OVER 60 POINTS:** Others see you as someone they should "handle with care." You're seen as vain, self-centered, and extremely dominant. Others may admire you, wishing they could be more like you, but don't always trust you, hesitating to become too deeply involved with you.

**51 TO 60 POINTS:** Others see you as an exciting, highly volatile, rather impulsive personality, a natural leader, who's quick to make decisions, though not always the right ones. They see you as bold and adventuresome, someone who will try anything once, someone who takes chances and enjoys an adventure. They enjoy being in your company because of the excitement you radiate.

**41 TO 50 POINTS:** Others see you as fresh, lively, charming, amusing, practical, and always interesting, someone who's constantly in the center of attention, but sufficiently well-balanced not to let it go to their head. They also see you as kind, considerate, and understanding, someone who'll always cheer them up and help them out.

**31 TO 40 POINTS:** Others see you as sensible, cautious, careful & practical. They see you as clever, gifted, or talented, but modest. Not a person who makes friends too quickly or easily, but someone who's extremely loyal to friends you do make and who expects the same loyalty in return. Those who really get to know you, realize it takes a lot to shake your trust in your friends, but equally that it takes you a long time to get over if that trust is ever broken.

**21 TO 30 POINTS:** Your friends see you as painstaking and

fussy. They see you as very cautious, extremely careful, a slow and steady plodder. It would really surprise them if you ever did something impulsively or on the spur of the moment, expecting you to examine everything carefully from every angle and then, usually decide against it.. They think this reaction is caused partly by your careful nature.

**UNDER 21 POINTS:** People think you are shy, nervous, and indecisive, someone who needs looking after, who always wants someone else to make the decisions and who doesn't want to get involved with anyone or anything! They see you as a worrier who always sees problems that don't exist. Some people think you're boring. Only those who know you well, know that you aren't.

## Medicine Man

For his 75th birthday, a man got a gift certificate from his wife. The certificate paid for a visit to a medicine man living on a nearby reservation who was rumored to have a wonderful cure for erectile dysfunction. After being persuaded, he drove to the reservation, handed his ticket to the medicine man and wondered what he was in for. The old medicine man slowly, methodically produced a potion, handed it to him, and with a grip on his shoulder, warned, "This is powerful medicine and it must be respected. You take only a teaspoonful and then say '1-2-3'. When you do that, you will become more manly than you have ever been in your life and you can perform as long as you want."The man was encouraged. As he walked away, he turned and asked, "How do I stop the medicine from working?" "Your partner must say '1-2-3-4'," he responded. "But when she does, the medicine will not work again until the next full moon."The old gent was very eager to see if it worked so he went home, showered, shaved, took a spoonful of medicine and then invited his wife to join him in the bedroom. When she came in, he took off his clothes and said, "1-2-3!" Immediately, he was the manliest of men. His wife, excited, began tearing off her clothes. And then she asked, "What was the 1-2-3 for?" And that, boys and girls, is why we should never end our sentences with a preposition, because we could end up with a dangling participle.

## Haunting Questions

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If you have sex with a prostitute against her will, is it considered rape or shoplifting?

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Can you cry under water?

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How important does a person have to be before they are considered assassinated instead of just murdered?



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Why do you have to "put your two cents in"... but it's only a "penny for your thoughts"? Where's that extra penny going to?

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Once you're in heaven, do you get stuck wearing the clothes you were buried in for eternity?

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Why does a round pizza come in a square box?

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What disease did cured ham actually have?

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How is it that we put man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?

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Why is it that people say they "slept like a baby" when babies wake up like every two hours?

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If a deaf person has to go to court, is it still called a hearing?

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Why are you IN a movie, but you're ON TV?

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Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?

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Why do doctors leave the room while you change? They're going to see you naked anyway.

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Why is "bra" singular and "panties" plural?

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Why do toasters always have a setting that burns the toast to a horrible crisp, which no decent human being would eat?

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If Jimmy cracks corn and no one cares, why is there a stupid song about him?

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Can a hearse carrying a corpse drive in the carpool lane ?

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If the professor on Gilligan's Island can make a radio out of a coconut, why can't he fix a hole in a boat?

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Why does Goofy stand erect while Pluto remains on all fours? They're both dogs!

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If Wile E. Coyote had enough money to buy all that ACME crap, why didn't he just buy dinner?

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If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, what is baby oil made from?

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If electricity comes from electrons, does morality come from morons?

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Do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune?

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Why did you just try singing the two songs above?

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Why do they call it an asteroid when it's outside the hemisphere, but call it a hemorrhoid when it's in your butt?

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Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?

## The Schnauzer

My neighbor found out that her dog ( a Schnauzer) could hardly hear, so she took it to the veterinarian. The vet found that the problem was hair in the dog's ears. He cleaned both ears, and the dog could then hear fine. The vet then proceeded to tell the lady that, if she wanted to keep this from recurring, she should go to the chemist and get some "Nair" hair remover and rub it in the dog's ears once a month. The lady went to the chemist and bought some "Nair" hair remover. At the register, the pharmacist told her, "If you're going to use this under your arms, don't use deodorant for a few days." The lady said, "I'm not using it under my arms." The pharmacist said, "If you're using it on your legs, don't shave for a couple of days." The lady replied, "I'm not using it on my legs either. If you must know, I'm using it on my Schnauzer." The pharmacist says, "Well stay off your bicycle for about a week."

## Twinkies and Root Beer

A little boy wanted to meet God. He knew it was a long trip to where God lived, so he packed his suitcase with Twinkies and a six-pack of Root Beer and he started his journey. When he had gone about three blocks, he met an elderly man. The man was sitting in the park just feeding some pigeons. The boy sat down next to him and opened his suitcase. He was about to take a drink from his root beer when he noticed that the man looked hungry, so he offered him a Twinkie. The man gratefully accepted it and smiled at boy. His smile was so pleasant that the boy wanted to see it again, so he offered him a root beer. Again, the man smiled at him. The boy was delighted! They sat there all afternoon eating and smiling, but they never said a word. As it grew dark, the boy realized how tired he was and he got up to leave, but before he had gone more than a few steps, he turned around, ran back to the man, and gave him a hug. The man gave him his biggest smile ever. When the boy opened the door to his own house a short time later, his mother was surprised by the look of joy on his face. She asked him, "What did you do today that made you so happy?" He replied, "I had lunch with God." But before his mother could respond, he added, "You know what? God's got the most beautiful smile I've ever seen!" Meanwhile, the elderly man, also radiant with joy, returned to his home. His son was stunned by the look of peace on his face and he asked, "Dad,

what did you do today that made you so happy?" He replied, "I ate Twinkies in the park with God." However, before his son responded, he added, " You know, he's much younger than I expected." Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around. People come into our lives for a reason, a season, or a lifetime. Embrace all equally!

## Catholic Heart Attack

A man suffered a serious heart attack and had open heart bypass surgery. He awakened from the surgery to find himself in the care of nuns at a Catholic Hospital . As he was recovering, a nun asked him how he was going to pay for his treatment. She asked, 'Do you have health insurance?' He replied in a raspy voice, 'No health insurance.' The nun asked, 'Do you have money in the bank?' he replied, 'No money in the bank.' The nun asked, 'Do you have a relative who could help you?' He said, 'I only have a spinster sister, who is a nun.' The nun became agitated and announced loudly, 'Nuns are not spinsters! Nuns are married to God.' The patient replied, 'Perfect. Send the bill to my brother-in-law.'

## A Guy Fairy Tale

Once upon a time, a Prince asked a beautiful Princess... "Will you marry me?" The Princess said "NO!" And the Prince lived happily ever after and rode motorcycles and went fishing and hunting and played golf and dated women half his age and drank beer and whiskey and farted and had tons of money in the bank and left the toilet seat up. The End!

## Interesting Things You May Not Know....

### Alaska:

More than half of the coastline of the entire United States is in Alaska.

### Amazon:

The Amazon rainforest produces more than 20%of the world's oxygen supply. The Amazon River pushes so much water into the Atlantic Ocean that, more than one hundred miles at sea off the mouth of the river, one can dip fresh water out of the ocean. The volume of water in the Amazon river is greater than the next eight largest rivers in the world combined and three times the flow of all rivers in the United States.

### Antarctica:

Antarctica is the only land on our planet that is not owned by any country.Ninety percent of the world's ice covers Antarctica. This ice also represents seventy percent of all the fresh water in the world.As strange as it sounds, however, Antarctica is essentially a desert;the average yearly total precipitation is about two inches. Although covered with ice (all but 0.4% of it, ice.), Antarctica is the driest place on the planet, with an absolute humidity lower than the Gobi desert.



**Brazil:**

Brazil got its name from the nut, not the other way around.

**Canada:**

Canada has more lakes than the rest of the world combined. Canada is an Indian word meaning 'Big Village.'

**Chicago:**

Next to Warsaw, Chicago has the largest Polish population in the world.

**Detroit:**

Woodward Avenue in Detroit, Michigan, carries the designation M-1, so named because it was the first paved road anywhere.

**Damascus, Syria:**

Damascus, Syria, was flourishing a couple of thousand years before Rome was founded in 753 BC, making it the oldest continuously inhabited city in existence.

**Istanbul, Turkey:**

Istanbul, Turkey, is the only city in the world located on two continents.

**Los Angeles:**

Los Angeles' full name is: El Pueblo de Nuestra Senora la Reina de Los Angeles de Porciuncula -- and can be abbreviated to 3.63% of its size: L.A.

**New York City:**

The term 'The Big Apple' was coined by touring jazz musicians of the 1930s who used the slang expression 'apple' for any town or city. Therefore, to play New York City is to play the big time - The Big Apple. There are more Irish in New York City than in Dublin, Ireland; more Italians in New York City than in

Rome, Italy; and more Jews in New York City than in Tel Aviv, Israel.

**Ohio:**

There are no natural lakes in the state of Ohio, every one is manmade.

**Pitcairn Island:**

The smallest island with country status is Pitcairn in Polynesia, at just 1.75 sq. miles/4,53 sq. km.

**Rome:**

The first city to reach a population of 1 million people was Rome, Italy in 133 B.C. There is a city called Rome on every continent.

**Siberia:**

Siberia contains more than 25% of the world's forests. -- 20 less people than the Vatican. It is a sovereign entity under international law, just as the Vatican is.

**Sahara Desert:**

In the Sahara Desert, there is a town named Tidikelt, Algeria, which did not receive a drop of rain for ten years. Technically though, the driest place on Earth is in the valleys of the Antarctic near Ross Island. There has been no rainfall there for two million years.

**Spain:**

Spain literally means 'the land of rabbits'.

**St. Paul, Minnesota:**

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## Russia:

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## United States:

The Eisenhower interstate system requires that one mile in every five must be straight. These straight sections are usable as airstrips in times of war or other emergencies.

## Waterfalls:

The water of Angel Falls (the world's highest) in Venezuela drops 3,212 feet (979 meters). They are 15 times higher than Niagara Falls.

We have always said, you should learn something new every day. Unfortunately, many of us are at that age where what we learn today, we forget tomorrow.

## The Rabbi and the Priest

A Jewish Rabbi and a Catholic Priest met at the town's annual 4th of July picnic. Old friends, they began their usual banter. "This baked ham is really delicious," the priest teased the rabbi. "You really ought to try it. I know it's against your religion, but I can't understand why such a wonderful food should be forbidden! You don't know what you're missing. You just haven't lived until you've tried Mrs. Hall's prized Virginia Baked Ham. Tell me, Rabbi, when are you going to break down and try it?" The rabbi looked at the priest with a big grin, and said, "At your wedding."

## Toothbrushes

The kids filed back into class Monday morning. They were very excited. Their weekend assignment was to sell something, then give a talk on productive salesmanship. Little Sally led off: "I sold girl scout cookies and I made \$30," she said proudly, "My sales approach was to appeal to the customer's civil spirit and I credit that approach for my obvious success." "Very good," said the teacher. Little Jenny was next: "I sold magazines," she said, "I made \$45 and I explained to everyone that magazines would keep them up on current events." "Very good, Jenny," said the teacher. Eventually, it was Little Johnny's turn. The teacher held her breath ... Little Johnny walked to the front of the classroom and dumped a box full of cash on the teacher's desk. "\$2,467," he said. "\$2,467!" cried the teacher, "What in the world were you selling?" "Toothbrushes," said Little Johnny. "Toothbrushes," echoed the teacher, "How could you

possibly sell enough tooth brushes to make that much money?" "I found the busiest corner in town," said Little Johnny, "I set up a Dip & Chip stand, I gave everybody who walked by a free sample." They all said the same thing, "Hey, this tastes like dog crap!" Then I would say, "It is dog crap. Wanna buy a toothbrush? I used the government's method of giving you something crappy, but looks good for free, and then making you pay to get the bad taste out of your mouth." The teacher was speechless. . . . Little Johnny got 5 stars for his efforts, bless his heart.

## A Secret Scrolls message from Rhonda Byrne Creator of The Secret and The Power

From The Secret Daily Teachings Every human being on the planet wants to be happy. Anything that anyone desires is because they think their desire will make them happy. Whether it is health, money, a loving relationship, material things, accomplishments, a job, or anything at all, the desire for happiness is the bottom line of all of them. But remember that happiness is a state inside of us, and something on the outside can only bring fleeting happiness, because material things are impermanent. Permanent happiness comes from you choosing to be permanently happy. When you choose happiness, then you attract all the happy things as well. The happy things are the icing on the cake, but the cake is happiness. May the joy be with you,

## God and PA

God was missing for six days. Eventually, Michael the archangel found him resting on the seventh day. He inquired, "Where have you been?" God smiled deeply and proudly pointed downwards through the clouds, "Look, Michael Look what I've made." Archangel Michael looked puzzled, and said, "What is it?" "It's a planet," replied God, and I've put life on it. I'm going to call it Earth and it's going to be a place to test Balance." "Balance?" inquired Michael, "I'm still confused." God explained, pointing to different parts of Earth. "For example, northern Europe will be a place of great opportunity and wealth, while southern Europe is going to be poor. Over here I've placed a continent of white people and over there is a continent of black people. Balance in all things." God continued pointing to different countries. "This one will be extremely hot, while this one will be very cold and covered in ice." The Archangel, impressed by God's work, then pointed to a land area and said, "What's that one?" "That's Pennsylvania, the most glorious place on earth. There are beautiful mountains, rivers and streams, lakes, forests, hills, and plains. The people from Pennsylvania are going to be handsome, modest, intelligent and humorous, and they are going to travel the world. They will be extremely sociable, hardworking, high achieving, carriers of peace and producers of good things."

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Michael gasped in wonder and admiration, but then asked, "But what about balance, God? You said there would be balance." God smiled, "Not very far from Pennsylvania is Washington DC. Wait till you see the idiots I put there."

## Pecans In The Cemetery

On the outskirts of a small town, there was a big, old pecan tree just inside the cemetery fence. One day, two boys filled up a bucketful of nuts and sat down by the tree, out of sight, and began dividing the nuts. 'One for you, one for me, one for you, one for me,' said one boy. Several Dropped and rolled down toward the fence. Another boy came riding along the road on his bicycle. As he passed, he thought he heard voices from inside the cemetery. He slowed down to investigate. Sure enough, he heard, 'One for you, one for me, one for you, One for me...' He just knew what it was. He jumped back on his bike and rode off. Just around the bend he met an old man with a cane, hobbling along. 'Come here quick,' said the boy, 'you won't believe what I heard! Satan and the Lord are down at the cemetery dividing up the souls!' The man said, 'Beat it kid, can't you see it's hard for me to walk.' When the boy insisted though, the man hobbled slowly to the cemetery. Standing by the fence they heard, 'One for you, one for me. One for you, One for me.' The old man whispered, 'Boy, you've been tellin' me the truth. Let's see if we can see the Lord...?' Shaking with fear, they peered through the fence, yet were still unable to see anything. The old man and the boy gripped the wrought iron bars of the fence tighter and tighter as they tried to get a glimpse of the Lord. At last they heard, 'One for you, one for me. That's all.. Now let's go get those nuts by the fence and we'll be done...?' They say the old man had the lead for a good half-mile before the kid on the bike passed him.

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### How To Call The Police When You're Old And Don't Move Fast Anymore.

George Phillips, an elderly man, from Meridian, Mississippi, was going up to bed, when his wife told him that he'd left the light on in the garden shed, which she could see from the bedroom window. George opened the back door to go turn off the light, but saw that there were people in the shed stealing things. He phoned the police, who asked "Is someone in your house?" He said "No," but some people are breaking into my garden shed and stealing from me. Then the police dispatcher said "All patrols are busy. You should lock your doors and an officer will be along when one is available." George said, "Okay." He hung up the phone and counted to 30. Then he phoned the police again. "Hello, I just called you a few seconds ago because there were people stealing things from my shed. Well, you don't have to worry about them now because I just shot them." and he hung up. Within five minutes, six Police Cars, a SWAT Team, a Helicopter, two Fire Trucks, a Paramedic, and an Ambulance showed up at the Phillips' residence, and caught the burglars red-handed. One of the Policemen said to George, "I thought you said that you'd shot them!" George said, "I thought you said there was nobody available!" (True Story) Don't mess with old people Live well, laugh often, love much!!!

### Italian Tomato Garden

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