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Ask The Attorney

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

Q: How can you protect your home and new Christmas gifts from a Home Burglary?

A: In short: Fool criminals by making your home look occupied all the time.

This is Part 1 of How to Legally Protect Your Home without Using Animal Traps and Firearms.

Whether you live in a house, apartment, or condominium, a break-in can remove any feeling of security. According to FBI statistics, there is an average of four burglaries every minute. Luckily, it happens to be the most preventable of crimes. By taking some simple precautions, you can dramatically reduce the risks (although every situation is different, so there are no guarantees.)

Start by assessing what kind of threat most concerns you. For example, protecting against attacks on your person requires different actions than defending against burglarization. Most burglars are not deep thinkers who intellectually assess the benefits vs. dangers; they are often crimes of opportunity for people just wanting to get money for drugs or who are opportunists on drugs or alcohol at the time. Appreciating how a burglar chooses his target can help reduce your chance of being victimized.

Typical burglars look for objects worth stealing where there is easy access and low visibility at an unoccupied home. More residential burglaries occur during daytime because residences are more likely to be vacant then.

How can a person make their residence not look vacant and reduce the chance of a break-in?

- A) Use automatic timers on lights.
- B) Always park your cars in the garage with the garage door closed so no pattern can be detected. Close the door and lower any blinds on garage windows to hide belongings.
- C) Put a radio on automatic timer with high volume so it can be heard outside.
- D) Lower your telephone ringer and answering machine volume so that they can not be heard outside.
- E) Never leave notes on your door.
- F) Forward your telephone calls when you are away since burglars may check to see if someone is home by calling the home.
- G) Have a trusted neighbor pick up the mail and newspaper. If possible, do not have either stopped. That gives information about your being away from home to people whom you do not know.
- H) If away for an extended period, plan to have your grass mowed or snow shoveled.

I) If you will be away on garbage day, ask a trusted neighbor to put your garbage cans out to the street and return them, and even ask your neighbor to use your garbage cans while you are away, so that empty cans will not be a sign that you are away.

J) Consider buying a system that opens and closes window curtains by a timer, since consistently open or closed curtains may clue in criminals that no one is home.

K) Even if you don't need help, tell a trusted neighbor if you are going to be gone for a few days. If you are going to be gone for an extended period, ask your local police to check your home periodically. In short, make your house look the same whether you are away or at home.

Speaking of being a good neighbor, consider starting a Block Watch on your street. The Squirrel Hill Urban Coalition can help with its more than a decade of experience. Contact the creators of the Squirrel Hill Citizen's Patrol at (412) 422-4539 or 412 422-7666 for advice. Contact your local police to request an apartment security survey or educate your neighborhood about specific safety concerns. If you are an apartment dweller, notify management if there are burned out light bulbs, dark corridors, broken locks on doors, or other safety issues. Call the police immediately if you see suspicious activity in your neighborhood. With community cooperation, we can be more proactive. Let's work together to have a safe 2011.



Best wishes to my readers for a happy holiday season and a safe and prosperous new year. If Nightwire Magazine readers have questions or suggestions for topics, please call Joyce at (412) 855-5536 or Atty. Pollock at (412) 421-2232.

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Frankie & Georgie's 4 Wood Grille

by: Steve Montellese

Above: Pasta Primavera

Frankie & Georgie's 4 Wood Grille, a play on words for Forward Grille, is located on – guess where - Forward Avenue in Squirrel Hill. The restaurant is conveniently located off the Squirrel Hill exit on Forward Avenue below the Forward Bowling Lanes. You will definitely look forward to this restaurant! At first glance, you

We sipped on Foxhorn Cabernet, the featured house selection which was an excellent choice for a house wine. There is also a long list of wines and Champagnes by the bottle, starting extremely low and ranging up to about \$50. There is also a fabulous list of specialty martinis, frozen drinks and a really nice beer selection with about 100 interesting brews. Something for everyone!

“You will definitely look forward to this restaurant! At first glance, you might expect typical bar food, but you would definitely be wrong.”

might expect typical bar food, but you would definitely be wrong. Owners, Frankie (Frank Pasquarelli and his wife Bobbi Jo) & Georgie (George Fisher) have teamed up to create a new menu and we can't wait to tell you all about it. Top quality homemade food at great affordable prices with top notch service and a great atmosphere.

The Executive Chef, Chad Rapp along with Chef, Robert Lamison prepared some really fun, unique and delicious dishes.

We started off with a signature dish handed down from Grandma – Italian Egg Rolls (\$5.95). These eggrolls are made from sausage, meatball and cheese filling wrapped in a typical egg roll shell. The result is an unexpected combination of tastes and textures that went together surprisingly well. It was sort of like Italy meets China, and Italy won!

This is definitely a “must try.”

Next, we sampled the Chicken Marsala (\$14.99). These tender medallions of chicken were covered with fresh mushrooms and an incredibly tangy (but not sour) Marsala wine sauce that truly made your mouth dance. This I'm sure has a lot to do with the fact that the sauce is made to order and doesn't sit around waiting to be ordered. I liked this dish so much I had to go home and try to make it myself. So far my version has not been quite as good. Guess I need to go back for some more



Chicken Marsala



Baby Back Ribs



Pepperoni Pizza with Green Pepper and Onions

tastings and lessons!

OK, raise your hands – who out there loves ribs? Well, let me tell you, the Baby Back Ribs (\$16.99) were incredible. The 4 Wood Grille refers to them as “soon to be famous” and I would absolutely agree. I actually ate them with a knife and fork because the marinated, dry rubbed ribs just fell off the bones, so juicy, tender and delicious. Probably the best ribs I’ve ever tasted.

Next we sampled the Pasta Primavera (\$12.99) which comes with your choice of four sauces over fresh vegetables and fettuccini. The sauce choices are Marinara, Alfredo, Marfredo or Olive Oil & Garlic. We sampled the olive oil & garlic sauce. This was a wonderfully light and refreshing dish that was revitalizing and springy with just enough garlic to be flavorful but not overwhelming. I plan on going back to sample the other sauces because the oil & garlic sauce was absolutely amazing and I can’t wait to try the other sauces.

Finally, we sampled the Pepperoni Pizza with Green Pepper and Onions (\$16.09). 4 Wood Grille makes authentic pizza dough and sauce. The pizza dough was delightful, not too filling, not too thin, but the perfect thin crust pizza. Their pizza dough and sauce are made fresh daily and are simply delicious, you’ll savor every bite and keep coming back for more. The best thin crust pizza in the burgh! The pizzas come in 14” – 8 cut (\$9.99) and 16” – 12 cut (\$13.99) sizes to suit

your appetite and you can get your choice of 10 pizza toppings. They also serve their pizza by the slice for a very reasonable price (\$1.75).

Their extensive menu includes sandwiches, gourmet burgers, salads, wings, pizza, calzones plus dinner entrees from seafood to filet, chicken, pasta and their famous baby back ribs. They definitely have something for everyone and prices that won’t break your budget.

In addition to all of this great food, the 4 Wood Grill has a wonderful entertainment schedule. Billy Price appears there every Thursday night at 8pm. You can check out their entire entertainment schedule on their website at FrankieandGeorgies.Shutterfly.com

Also be sure and make your New Year’s Eve Party reservations featuring the Cause – Only \$20 includes full dinner buffet, champagne toast, noise makers and entertainment. To make your reservation call: 412-422-5027.

Open daily 3pm – 2AM Monday through Sunday – kitchen open nightly till 11pm.

They also feature nightly specials and live entertainment, call for more information.

**Frankie & Georgie’s 4 Wood Grille is located at:
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Health And Fitness

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neuLash can help you avoid lash dehydration in cold weather: Did you know that cold weather not only brings on dry skin and chapped lips, but also dehydrated and brittle

eyelashes? Just like we slather on extra moisturizer, use lip balm and condition our hair, eyelashes need a little pampering in during the winter. When eyelashes aren't hydrated, they become weak and fall out. However, a conditioner will instantly hydrate lashes, bringing them back to life, even in cold weather. neuLash eye lash conditioner nourishes the lash line and energizes dehydrated, brittle lashes into healthier, thicker and longer-looking lashes, so you can still bat your lashes, even while on the slopes. neuLash is available nationally at Saks Fifth Avenue, Neiman Marcus, Bloomingdale's and Bergdorf Goodman, as well as on www.neuLash.com.

Wings Of Nature Nutrition Bars



Wings of Nature, new nutrition bars that make the perfect gym bag essential, after school snack, or mid-day break. Wings of Nature are a new line of snack bars blended with agave and organic brown rice syrup sweeteners. These organic, gluten free, kosher bars keep you energized throughout your entire workout, allowing you to get

that great body you have been striving for. These delicious bars won't melt in your bag and are perfect for those living a healthy and fit lifestyle; Wings of Nature have only 8 ingredients!

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Bruxium

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Do you often have trouble getting a full night's sleep? Have you ever woke up in the morning with a pounding headache, jaw pain or an unexplainable ear ache? What about clenching your teeth or biting your tongue and lower lip uncontrollably during the day? If you have experienced any of these symptoms you more than likely have a condition known as bruxism. More often than not, bruxism is caused by excessive stress and anxiety and its symptoms include grinding of the teeth and clenching of the jaw, usually while sleeping. Bruxism is actually a common condition experienced by about 10-15% of the population normally according to the American Dental Association; although no study exists showing a direct relationship between bruxism and our current recession, the majority of dental professionals in the United States will tell you they have seen a pronounced increase in stress related teeth grinding over the last three years. Beyond causing general discomfort and restless nights for you and your bed partner, excessive grinding can cause serious wear on the surface of your teeth and damage existing dental restorations. If left untreated, it can also result in the loss of teeth, loss of hearing, cause or worsen temporomandibular disorders (TMD/TMJ) and even alter the appearance of your face. Normal chewing puts about 68 pounds per square inch of pressure on your back teeth, intentional jaw clenching increases that to 150 pounds per square inch of pressure and unconscious teeth grinding at night puts a tremendous 900 pounds per square inch of pressure on your teeth! One night with bruxism is equivalent to one full month of normal wear and tear on your teeth's chewing surface. Due to the dramatic increase in this conditions diagnosis over the last few years, many dentists are actually referring to bruxism as the "signature diagnosis of the great recession."

Experts will agree that the best way to treat bruxism is with a dental guard. In the past, dental guards were only available through your dentist where they would take an impression of your teeth and custom fit you with a hard acrylic guard to wear at night while sleeping. These custom built dental guards can cost anywhere from \$400 to \$1,000 and up, not including the cost of crowns to correct existing excessive wear. Unfortunately little, if any, of this cost is covered by insurance providers; not to mention that most of us do not have dental insurance in the first place. Luckily, there is an alternative to these very costly dental appliances, offering consumers the exact same protection for a fraction of the price.

DenTek Inc. (www.dentek.com), the largest exclusively oral care company in the United States, offers consumers an "over the counter" dental guard that rivals in effectiveness and durability those custom made by the dentist. DenTek's Custom Comfort Dental Guard is available at food and drug retailers nationwide and costs only \$24.99. Without doing damage to your wallet, DenTek's dental guards provide the exact same protection to your teeth and relief to your aching jaw as their significantly more expensive, "made to order" counterparts. In 2010 alone, DenTek's dental guard sales have increased 50%, validating their efficacy and value among the consumer general public.

Health And Fitness



What kind of mouthwash do you currently use? Listerine, Scope, ACT, Crest Pro-Health; some of these popular brands may claim to give you long lasting fresh breath but the truth is they only last for about an hour and can contribute to even worse breath thereafter. Most of these mouthwashes contain alcohol which is used as a disinfectant and can give temporary relief to halitosis (commonly referred to as bad breath) but also dries out the inside of the mouth. Bad breath comes from germs (bacteria) inside of the mouth that feed on proteins. As these germs eat they emit noxious gases which linger, giving us bad breath. When the inside of the mouth becomes dry, it actually causes or worsens bad breath. So, after the initial fresh burst is gone, you will be left with that same awful breath in under an hour.

Mouthwash products have evolved over time into three generations. The first generation of products kills some of the germs in your mouth, providing only short term relief. The second generation goes one step further and eliminates bad breath odors when you rinse as well as kill some of the germs. Still, these products only provide fresh breath for no longer than one hour. It is with this in mind that I present to you the ONLY product on the market that is clinically proven to provide fresh breath for at least 24 hours with twice daily use. SmartMouth (www.smartmouth.com) Mouthwash is the only product in the third generation of mouthwashes which not only eliminates odors, but also prevents those odors from returning for at least a 12 hour period. This means that SmartMouth lasts at least 12 times longer than any other leading mouthwash available to consumers. Recently, the Better Business Bureau's National Advertising Division, whose sole

purpose is to foster truth in advertising, reviewed all of SmartMouth's claims and they determined that the following have, in fact, been substantiated:

1. SmartMouth does provide 12 hours of fresh breath after each rinse
2. No other leading mouthwash provides fresh breath for longer than one hour

3. With SmartMouth, you can wake up with fresh breath every day

You may be asking yourself, how does SmartMouth work?

SmartMouth uses a patented, dual-solution technology that requires two key ingredients to be kept separate until just prior to rinsing. This insures that SmartMouth is freshly activated with each use to provide unmatched, long-term fresh breath. SmartMouth's oxidizer in Solution 1, like second generation mouthwash products, eliminates existing bad breath when you rinse. But unlike generation one

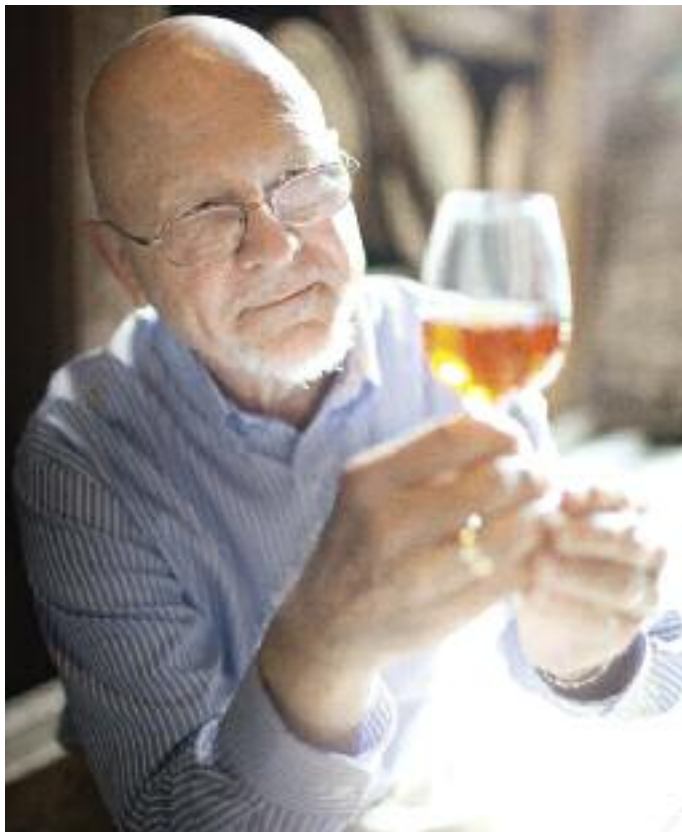
products, it does not kill germs. SmartMouth's zinc ion technology actually prevents new bad breath from returning for at least 12 hours, that's 24 hours of freshness with twice daily use! One rinse in the morning prevents bad breath all day, and one rinse at night and you can wake up daily without morning breath.

SmartMouth's technology was invented by the Chairman of Oral Biology and Pathology at the State University of New York, Stony Brook campus. It was then developed into SmartMouth Mouthwash by Triumph Pharmaceuticals. Dr. Marvin Cohen, Chairman of the Board and Co-Founder of Triumph, is the driving force behind Triumph's commitment to education about and resolution of bad breath. He is recognized as a leading authority on the etiology, diagnosis and treatment of halitosis and most notably, he is the author of the bad breath (halitosis) section of the Encyclopedia Britannica, 1998 Medical Edition. Dr. Susanne Cohen is the CEO and Co-Founder of Triumph Pharmaceuticals as well. She has combined her dental and business experience to launch industry leading, cutting edge products for Triumph and now serves as the company's primary spokesperson.

SmartMouth Mouthwash is available in mint and cinnamon flavors. It can be purchased for approximately \$10.99 at all of the major retail chains such as Wal-Mart, Walgreens, Target, CVS, etc. SmartMouth can also be ordered online at www.drugstore.com. SmartMouth is by far the best choice for everyone who wants to have the confidence of fresh breath anytime, anywhere.

Wine and Spirits

Angels Envy -Premier Super-Premium Bourbon Now Available in Select Markets



Louisville Distilling Company announced that they will begin to release Angel's Envy – a super-premium bourbon of uncompromising character and quality – in select U.S. markets.

The highly anticipated small batch artisan bourbon is the culmination of Master Distiller Lincoln Henderson's storied career. One of the original pioneers of the premium bourbon and whiskey categories in the U.S., Lincoln came out of retirement to create the world's finest bourbon on his own terms – with a simple desire to enjoy the art of making whiskey. The Master Distiller, which many have called a living legend, brings with him more than 40 years of experience, having worked on world-class brands, such as Woodford Reserve and Jack Daniels.

The Louisville Distilling Company gave Lincoln complete creative freedom to create his bourbon, his own way. He chose to return the original way of producing whiskey – making decisions based on the specific taste profile he wants

to achieve. He will use locally sourced, non-GMO grains, Kentucky limestone water and hand-chosen port barrels shipped directly from Portugal.

"Building on his experience at Woodford Reserve, Lincoln's going to work with our bourbon, guiding its qualities instead of forcing it as so many other distilleries do," said Marc Bushala, President & CEO, Angel's Envy. "It's never been done before. And, at this stage of his craft, he's the only man alive who can pull this off."

Each batch—or Expression, as Lincoln calls it—will be guided by his hand and allowed to develop naturally, creating nuances in the bourbon from year to year. This year's release is Expression 10/10, which possesses a warm spirit, lacking any hint of edginess with ephemeral hints of port wine and a rich amber hue. The expression is distilled three times for an unparalleled smoothness, aged a minimum of four years in new, charred white oak barrels and finished with an advanced maturation process in use two different

types of port cherry casks (Vintage and Ruby). The final result is an exceptionally smooth, nuanced and refined bourbon.

"Angel's Envy is a lot of things," says Lincoln Henderson, Master Distiller, Angel's Envy.

"It's my life's work. It's a whiskey of incomparable smoothness. It takes into account over 200 years of bourbon heritage and mingles it with over 400 years of port wine heritage. And it's something I'm going to let develop each year so every batch will be a natural expression of the distiller's craft."

The bottle will be as iconic as the bourbon inside. Made from perfume-grade glass in Italy and ceramic stamped with our iconic wings, the bottle is hand-filled, corked and crated in Louisville, Kentucky. "We were inspired by early 20th century whiskey bottles found in the Louisville area," said Samira Seiller, EVP & Director of Marketing, Angel's Envy. "Its distinct shape and iconic angel's wings mean it will assume a place of prominence on the shelf at home or in the bar."

As far as the name, it's well accepted in bourbon circles that each distillery owes a percentage of the bourbon in their barrels to the angels – known as the Angel's Share. But, Lincoln sat the angels down and got them to agree that they could take a larger share if they agreed to leave behind something even better. The result is Angel's Envy.



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Angel's Envy will be available in markets such as: Louisville, Chicago, San Francisco, Miami, Austin, Washington D.C. and Boulder/Denver. The suggested retail price, which may vary by market, is \$44.99 per bottle. Coming to PA soon! Inquire at your local PA State Store for availability.



Tasting Notes

Appearance: Sparkling clear, Brilliant Amber, Hints of Gold With a Reddish Hue Nearly Copper

Aroma: Subtle Vanilla, Raisins, Maple Syrup, Toasted Nuts, Honey

Body: Mild to Medium

Taste: Vanilla, Oak, Ripe Fruit, Maple Syrup, Toast, Bitter Chocolate

Finish: Clean Lingering Sweetness, Dryness, Dried Fruit, Vanilla, Madeira that slowly fades

Mixed Drinks

Some people many consider it a crime to use bourbon for a mixed drink, but just in case you don't like Bourbon on the rock or neat...here are some great drink recipes.

Manhattan

Ingredients

1 1/2 ounces Bourbon

3/4 ounces Red (sweet) Vermouth

Dash of bitters (optional)

Instructions

Mix ingredients together over ice in a cocktail shaker. Strain into a martini glass. Garnish with a cherry. Serve immediate

Old Fashioned

2 oz bourbon whiskey

2 dashes Angostura® bitters

1 splash water

1 tsp sugar

1 maraschino cherry

1 orange wedge

Mix sugar, water and angostura bitters in an old-fashioned glass. Drop in a cherry and an orange wedge. Muddle into a paste using a muddler or the back end of a spoon. Pour in bourbon, fill with ice cubes, and stir.

Mint Julep

fresh mint sprigs

2 1/2 oz bourbon whiskey

1 tsp powdered sugar

2 tsp water

Muddle mint leaves, powdered sugar, and water in a collins glass. Fill the glass with shaved or crushed ice and add bourbon. Top with more ice and garnish with a mint sprig. Serve with a straw.

Winter Wonderland

1 oz Bourbon

1 oz peppermint schnapps

hot chocolate

Fill mug with hot chocolate, add bourbon and schnapps, stir.

Did You Know?

Spelling: the Irish spell "whiskey" with an "e", but the Scottish spell "whisky" without the "e" (often simply referred to as "Scotch" outside of Scotland). Americans generally spell whiskey with an "e", but distinguish between Tennessee whiskey and Bourbon whiskey.

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Car Care

A New Year's Resolution That Pays Off



In the New Year, why not resolve to perform regular vehicle maintenance? By spending a little time now on preventive maintenance, drivers can save a lot of headaches in the long run and make for a great year on the road in 2011, according to the Car Care Council.

"Many New Year's resolutions go by the wayside pretty

quickly," said Rich White, executive director, Car Care Council. "Regular car care is a resolution that will pay off all year, every year. It's relatively simple to implement and the results are demonstrated in a better performing vehicle and fewer unexpected repairs and breakdowns that can result from vehicle neglect."

The council recommends the following service interval schedule to use when making regular vehicle maintenance part of your New Year's resolution:

Perform monthly checks of tire pressure and the condition of tires, lights and windshield washer fluid. The vehicle should also be cleaned monthly.

Every three months or per the owner's manual, check the engine oil and filter, check the levels of other fluids including automatic transmission, power steering and brake, and check battery and cables, belts and hoses. The exhaust and fuel filter should also be checked at this interval.

Every six months or 6,000 miles, the chassis lubrication should be checked and windshield wipers should be replaced.

Every 12 months or 12,000 miles, the brakes, spark plugs, coolant and steering and suspension should be checked.

If the "check engine" light comes on, vehicles should be immediately taken in for service to identify the problem.

The Car Care Council Web site has a Service Interval Schedule for vehicle owners to follow. Drivers should also consult their owner's manual for specific recommendations by the carmaker.

The Car Care Council is the source of information for the "Be Car Care Aware" consumer education campaign promoting the benefits of regular vehicle care, maintenance and repair to consumers. For a copy of the council's Car Care Guide or for more information, visit www.carcare.org.





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Music

Bon Jovi - Consol Energy Center February 11 & 12, 2011



The year-end results are in and Bon Jovi has again been named the #1 worldwide touring act of 2010, according to Billboard. The iconic band has scored the top-grossing spot for the second time in just three years, an achievement that only Bon Jovi, The Rolling Stones and The Grateful Dead have earned. Previously, the band's "Lost Highway Tour" was named the #1 tour of 2008. Nearing three decades of an incredible career, Bon Jovi shows no sign of slowing down. Their recent Greatest Hits collection debuted atop charts around the world and the band will continue their series of live dates well into 2011.

Bon Jovi's "The Circle Tour," which began in February 2010, sold out stadiums and arenas around the world to the tune of 1.5 million fans in attendance and grossed more than \$146 million. The U.S., Canadian, and UK legs of the tour were promoted by AEG Live and included four sold-out shows to inaugurate New Meadowlands Stadium; a 12-night sold-out residency at London's O2 Arena; and multiple-night stands in several other major cities.

As Jon Bon Jovi explained to Billboard "we've had five albums in this decade, we've toured every one, and people came back every time. It says something for the band and the production and the performance that people feel they're getting their money's worth, especially in this economic downturn...History speaks for itself. Numbers don't lie."

Bon Jovi's top-grossing world tour dates have been promoted by AEG Live in the U.S., Canada, and the UK. Additional promoters around the world include Water Brothers (Rock n' Rio Madrid, Peru, Costa Rica), Bob Reiche (Royal Beach Festival Holland), Gérard Drouot Productions (France), Live Nation (select U.S. markets), Time for Fun (Brazil, Argentina, Chile), and Ocesa (Mexico).

The band is currently closing out 2010 with dates in Japan (Udo Artists), New Zealand and Australia (Dainty Consolidated Entertainment) and will return to the road in February 2011 with dates in the U.S., Canada and throughout Europe. Tickets are on sale now and additional concerts in New York, Chicago, Toronto, Montreal, Pittsburgh, and Dublin have already been added, due to popular demand (full itinerary below).

Bon Jovi Greatest Hits (Island Def Jam Music Group) recently debuted at #1 around the world and on the Billboard European Chart, with the band's three-decade-spanning retrospective charting higher and selling more copies in its first week than their 1994 Cross Road release, which has sold more than 21 million copies to date. Bon Jovi Greatest Hits debuted in the Top 5 in over 20 markets around the world—including the U.S., where it is the #1 charting rock release—as well as the UK, Germany, Norway, Spain, Switzerland, Austria, Holland, New Zealand, Argentina and Korea. The album entered the charts at #1 in Japan, Canada, Australia, Ireland, Sweden, Portugal, and Mexico. Bon Jovi Greatest Hits - The Ultimate Collection includes the brand new song and latest hit single, "What Do You Got?," which is also one of the four brand new tracks —"What Do You Got?," "The More Things Change," "No Apologies," and "This Is Love, This Is Life"—that were written and recorded specifically for inclusion in this compilation.

Globally, the Grammy® Award-winning band has sold more than 120 million albums, and performed more than 2,700 concerts in over 50 countries for more than 35 million fans. For more information on all things Bon Jovi, visit www.BonJovi.com. Tickets available now: www.consolenergycenter.org.

Music

Jimmy Eat World
Feb 14, Club Zoo



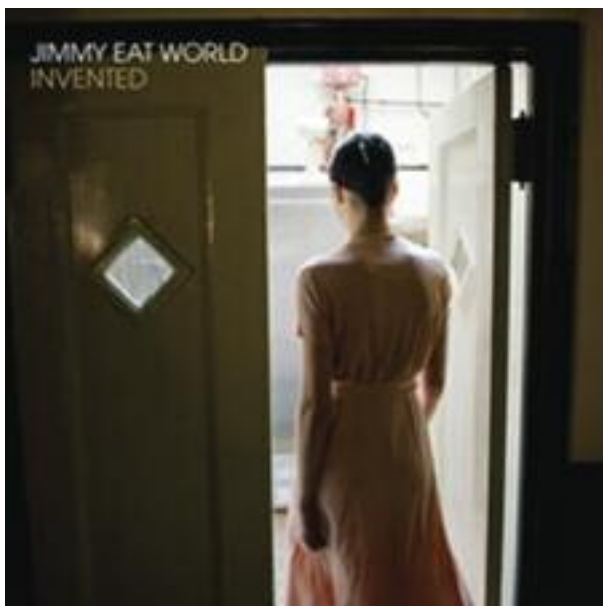
Invented, the sixth full-length album by Jimmy Eat World, contains the signature big hooks and sing-along melodies for which the band has become famous. Fans of the band's older hits like "The Middle," "Sweetness," and "Pain" will find lots to grab onto...and those same fans will be happy to learn that Mark Trombino, who served as a producer on the band's first three albums *Static Prevails*, *Clarity* and *Bleed American*, is again at the helm for *Invented*. While the music is "classic Jimmy Eat World," the lyrics come from a completely different place than ever before.

Jim Adkins, the band's primary lyricist, credits this new lyrical direction to an exercise he created for himself as the band was putting the finishing touches on their previous album, *Chase This Light*. At the time, Adkins had recently discovered two books -- Cindy Sherman's "Completely Untitled Film Still" series and Hannah Starkey's "Photographs 1997-2007" and became taken with the creation of his own back stories for each photo. "I would take about ten minutes and blast through every aspect of the scene that came to me. Who was this particular character and who were the people in her life? How did she end up in this scene?" Adkins says, "It was intended to be a writing exercise -- much like an exercise lots of people employ every day called 'object writing.' The point wasn't to get material for Jimmy Eat World songs, it was only to get my brain in a mindset for working. Eventually, though, ideas developed in those sessions did start creeping into songs. The album title 'Invented' refers to a song which I feel sums up the mood here," Adkins adds, "but could also be taken more literally as this album is the deepest into character writing we have tried so far."

The reconnection with producer Mark Trombino occurred in San Diego during the band's sold-out national tour commemorating the 10-year anniversary for the album *Clarity*. Adkins tells the rest of the story: "It had been a

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Jimmy Eat World's newly released "Invented"

really long time since we had met. We talked for a while and it was good. We had already been working on material for Invented for a while, and we were thinking of hiring a producer to work with us, but we wanted someone with a specific skill set and willingness to work in a non-conventional setting." The idea was the band would work out a song as much as they could on their own in their studio, Unit 2 in Tempe, Arizona and then send the multi-track recordings to Trombino in California. "Mark is a ninja with a computer," Adkins adds, "After trying out a couple songs we knew he brought something really complimentary to the sessions. We would be recording the foundations of one song in Arizona as he was mixing another song in California."

Jimmy Eat World got their start in 1994 and has gained a reputation for being a band of great perseverance and hard work. Since the 1999 release of their breakthrough debut album Clarity, they've sold millions of records, have had numerous top ten singles at Modern Rock Radio, appeared on Saturday Night Live and have toured with Foo Fighters, Green Day and Weezer. Jimmy Eat World will be on the road for the next year plus in support of Invented.

Where is it?

Jimmy Eat World with special guest David Bazan & Band will be appearing live at Club Zoo (1630 Smallman Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222) on Monday, Valentine's Day, February 14, 2011 at 8:00PM. Tickets are \$27 in advance and \$30 day of show and will be available at all Ticketmaster outlets, Ticketmaster.com, & by calling 1-800-745-3000

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Maceo Parker



“Everything’s coming up Maceo,” concluded DownBeat Magazine in a 1991 article at the beginning of Maceo Parker’s solo career. At the time Maceo was a remembered by aficionados of funk music as sideman; appreciated mainly by those in the know. For the past two decades, Maceo has been building a new funk empire, fresh and stylistically diverse, navigating deftly between James Brown’s 1960’s soul and George Clinton’s 1970’s freaky funk while exploring mellower jazz and the grooves of hip-hop.

His solo career recording highlights include 10 weeks at the top of Billboard’s Jazz Charts for his recording *Roots Revisited* (1990) and “funk fan favorite” *Live on Planet Groove*, recorded live in 1992. Parker’s recordings *Funk Overload*, *Dial M-A-C-E-O* and *Made by Maceo* all reached the top 40 charts in Europe. “Maceo Parker is a funk titan. ...Parker must be regarded as simply one of the all-time great saxophonists. He stretched the boundaries of music, fashioned a new style of playing and, most importantly, made some truly great music” (Mercury San Francisco).

Mr. Parker is the recipient of the Pioneer Award from the Rhythm and Blues Foundation for his leadership contributions to the genre of rhythm and blues. “Quite simply, there is no better

showman than Maceo Parker. Catching one of the alto sax maestro’s marathon three-hour shows is a truly transcendental experience for any fan of funk, jazz, hip-hop, R&B and soul: His performances are....a funky, funky good time (Westworld).”

Artist website: <http://www.maceo.com/biography.html>

The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust presents R&B funk legend Maceo Parker and his band on Sunday, January 16, 2011, 7:00 p.m., at the Byham Theater. This performance is part of the 2010-2011 Cohen & Grigsby Trust Presents series. Tickets (\$20.75, \$32.75, \$37.75) may be purchased in-person at the Box Office at Theater Square, 655 Penn Avenue, online at pgharts.org, or by calling (412) 456-6666. To purchase 10 or more group tickets, call (412) 471-6930.

Revered for his impeccable pedigree and leading the world’s tightest funk orchestra, the saxophone titan has played with Funk legends James Brown, George Clinton and Bootsy Collins, among others. Collaborations with Ray Charles, Ani DiFranco, James Taylor, De La Soul, Dave Matthews and Red Hot Chili Peppers have introduced him to an exuberant, younger fan base.

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The award-winning Beatles concert, RAIN – A Tribute To The Beatles, makes its Pittsburgh debut from January 11-16, 2011, Heinz Hall. This tour is part of the PNC Broadway Across America-Pittsburgh series, presented by The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust, Pittsburgh Symphony and Broadway Across America.

RAIN nails the full glory of those heavenly vocal harmonies and thrilled an all-ages crowd with note-perfect renditions of songs from the mightiest canon in all of popular music history." –Buffalo News

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In a show the Denver Post calls "the next best thing to seeing The Beatles," RAIN boasts a repertoire of nearly 200 Beatlemaniac favorites, ranging from such beloved songs as "Yesterday" and "Hey Jude" to classic hits including "Revolution" and "Come Together." "The enraptured audience relives the soundtrack of its life!" –Chicago Tribune "Parents (and grandparents) and kids were on their feet bopping like crazy!" –The Courier Post

RAIN covers the Fab Four from their very first Ed Sullivan

Show appearance through the Abbey Road album, through the psychedelic late 60s and their long-haired hippie, hard-rocking rooftop days. RAIN is a multi-media, multi-dimensional experience...a fusion of historical footage and hilarious television commercials from the 1960s lights up video screens and live cameras zoom in for close-ups.

For the four longtime band members – Joey Curatolo (Paul McCartney), Joe Bithorn (George Harrison), Ralph Castelli (Ringo Starr) and Steve Landes (John Lennon), with a little help from their friend Mark Lewis (keyboards, percussion) – the music is first and foremost. For more than two decades, RAIN has distinguished itself by focusing on details, always being faithful to The Beatles with the ultimate goal of delivering a perfect note-for-note performance. All the music is performed live, with no pre-recorded tapes or sequences. "Uncanny! RAIN are a quartet of fine musicians in their own right...as The Beatles, they triumph!" –The Boston Herald

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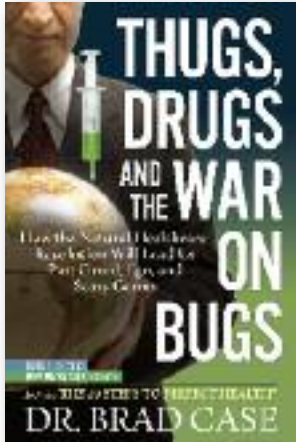
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California Doctor Calls For Radical Overhaul Of The Nation's Healthcare System



Is the nation's healthcare crisis really just a corporate money grab? Dr. Brad Case is convinced it is. His shocking research shows that the number one killer in the United States is medical treatment. When you look at the staggering amount of evidence he's compiled in his new book *Thugs, Drugs and the War on Bugs*, How the Natural Healthcare Revolution Will Lead Us Past Greed, Ego, and Scary Germs, you too may come to the conclusion that the people in control of our healthcare system

don't actually want us to be healthy.

These corporate thugs are addicted to wealth, and they've manipulated and brainwashed us into relying on a self-perpetuating system of "wealth care" that keeps us sick and a never-ending stream of money flowing to them. These crooks would much rather you be sick so they can sell you their drugs and expensive medical treatments. This keeps their stock prices (and bonuses) high. These toxic medications may help to suppress your symptoms in the short run, but in the long run, they actually make you sicker. This leads to ever more drugs being prescribed, thus perpetuating the broken system.

The proof:

The U.S. spends more on healthcare (per person) than any other nation...by far, but according to the World Health Organization, we have the worst health of any industrialized nation on earth.

Even worse...Western medicine kills 784,000 Americans per year (that's the equivalent of 5½ 747s crashing to the ground every day). This places doctors and hospitals ahead of cancer and heart disease, making them the number one killer in the U.S.

Dr. Brad Case exposes the myths, lies, greed, and just plain bungling that we see in modern medicine today. Deeply researched, deadly serious, yet often humorous and irreverent, Dr. Case thoroughly explains how we got into this mess and what we can do to be truly healthy.

Dr. Case says, "People must be un-brainwashed. Relying on the medical/ pharmaceutical industry or the government for health/medical advice is like leaving the fox in charge of the henhouse."

His new book contains a detailed analysis of some of the most troubling data and statistics about healthcare and shows that:

- Western medicine has cures for surprisingly few diseases and actually causes illness with its "drugs for every disease" approach.
- Infectious diseases, once thought to be a thing of the past, are making a comeback due to the overuse of antibiotics.
- Chronic diseases like diabetes, cancer, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, allergies, asthma, thyroid disease, and fibromyalgia, are all on the rise.

Dr. Case is highly critical of the government and the medical establishment. He shows how the FDA has been taken over by the pharmaceutical industry, is completely corrupt, and can no longer protect us from unsafe food or drugs.

"The FDA has to be abolished or completely overhauled and regulated in a way so as to stop the incessant conflicts of interest and favoritism for Big Pharma and Big Ag."

He recommends that in order to achieve these things, we need elections that are not bought and paid for by huge corporations. This means we must have real campaign finance reform and an electorate that understands these health issues.

He states that Congress's recent fight over "healthcare reform" was not really about healthcare at all, but rather health insurance. Just as the Medicare prescription drug act was a boon to Big Pharma, this bill was a boon to the health insurance industry.

"We won't have real healthcare reform," he says, "until we change to a system that actually makes people healthy instead of simply masking symptoms and making the drug companies wealthy."

Further, he says that the direct-to-consumer advertising of pharmaceuticals must stop. We are the only nation (besides New Zealand) on earth that allows this.

People must realize that, just like all other chemicals, medications are synthetic and therefore toxic to biological organisms, and while they may suppress or eliminate some of your symptoms, they make you sicker overall. This inevitably leads to more disease, more drugs, and eventually the nursing home, and premature death. Dr. Case and other natural healthcare doctors call this "Death by Medicine." Unfortunately, this is now the norm in this country.

Case says, "When we find and remove the cause(s) of ill health, the effects cease and the body heals. If you want to be healthy, you must get the toxins (to include all drugs and heavy metals) out of your body and get the right nutrients in. This is not just a healthcare philosophy, it is a law of nature. Exercise, eat natural foods, think positive thoughts, balance your hormones, and avoid radiation, and you'll rarely, if ever, be bothered by the germs and worms that Western medicine is obsessed with killing."

What's more, there's strong evidence, dating all the way back to the days of Louis Pasteur, that the germs medicine is so obsessed with killing actually benefit our bodies. In true symbiotic fashion, we need these germs just as much as they need us, and killing them actually destroys our health, both as a species and as individuals. This New Germ Theory will open your eyes, and completely change how you think of these tiny parasites.

Case uses this argument as a focal point in his quest to change our minds on topics as diverse as vaccination, antibiotics, autism, and AIDS.

With the exception of being brainwashed by the media, you are not a victim. Disease is rarely the result of germs or genetics as Western medicine contends. You are responsible for your own health, or lack thereof, through your choices regarding what you eat and how you live.

Rather than spending all our money treating symptoms and thus creating new diseases, or fighting against the final stages of disease, a rational system of healthcare would focus first on preventing disease, second on identifying the cause of a person's ill health, and third on using safe, non-toxic methods to induce healing. Only after these methods have been employed should drugs or surgery even be considered. *Thugs, Drugs and the War on Bugs* (\$29.95) available at book stores or online at Amazon.com - a must read!

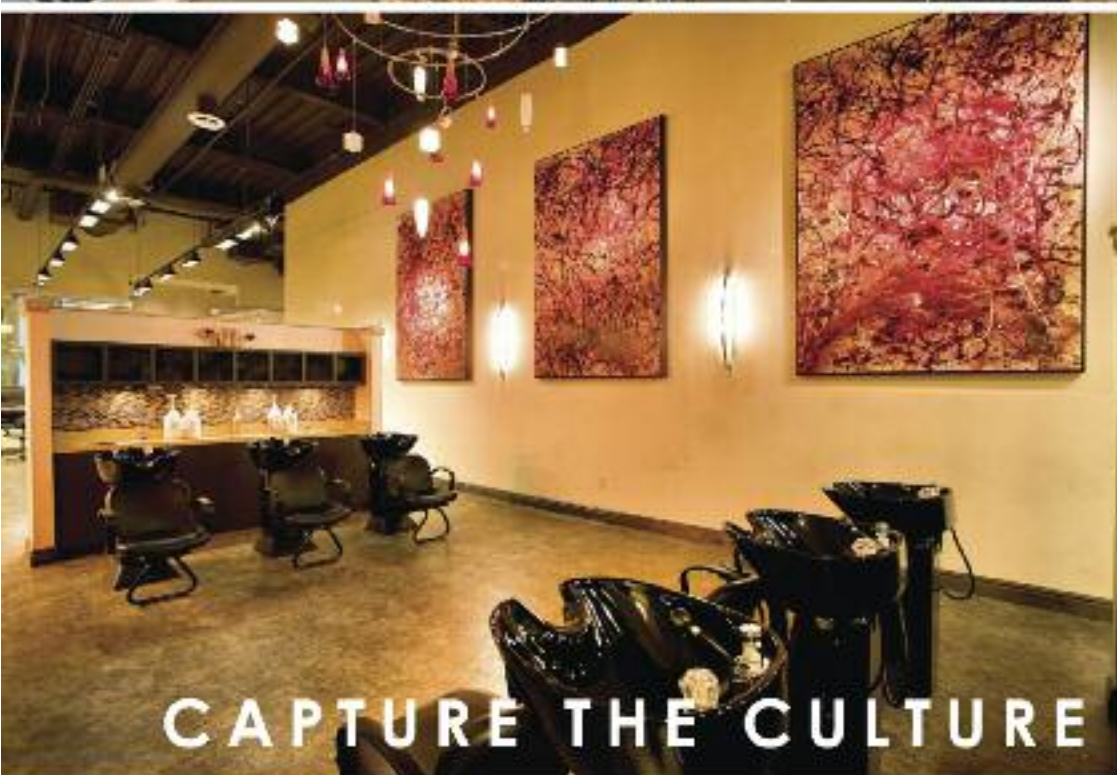


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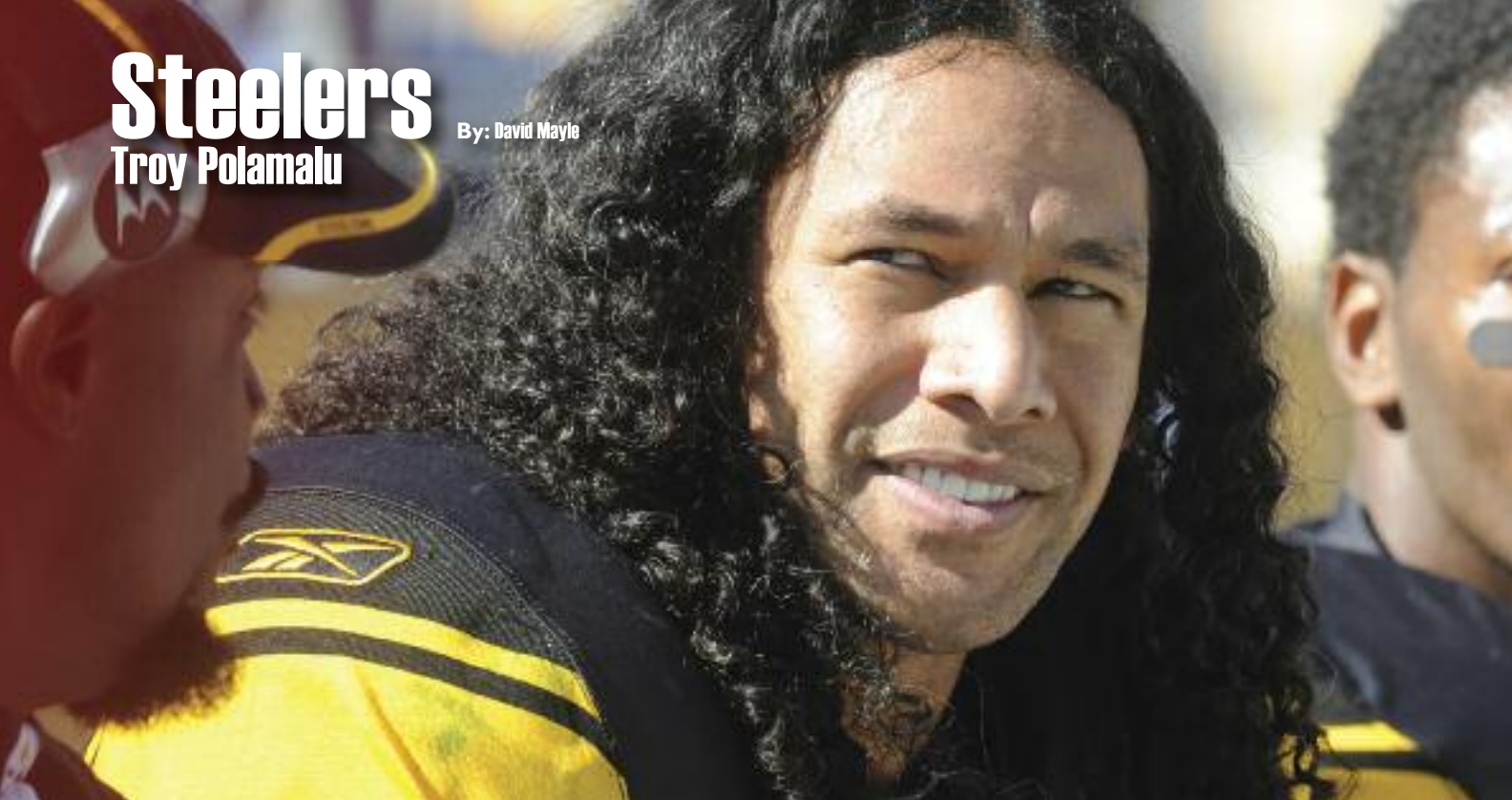
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Steelers

Troy Polamalu

By: David Mayle



The Pittsburgh Steelers' standout safety Troy Polamalu has firmly established himself as one of their greatest defensive players in their storied history. Mind you, we're not talking about one of the greatest players in, say, the Jacksonville Jaguars history, we're talking about the Steelers, a team whose history is filled with names like "Mean Joe" Greene, Jack Lambert, Mel Blount, Rod Woodson, etc.

Few people remember, however, that Polamalu was not the Steelers' first choice for their safety of the future. In the off-season preceding the 2003 draft the Steelers' planned to sign free agent safety (and 2002 Super Bowl MVP) Dexter Jackson to a long-term contract and even received a verbal commitment to a deal from Jackson. At the last minute, however, Jackson backed out of the deal and signed with the Arizona Cardinals instead. This forced the Steelers to make a draft day trade with the Kansas City Chiefs in order to obtain Polamalu with their first pick in the 2003 NFL entry draft.

After an unspectacular rookie season with the Steelers Polamalu took

over the starting strong safety duties in 2004 and never looked back. Since then, Troy has put together All-Pro season after All-Pro season making 5 consecutive trips to the Pro Bowl. Injuries limited him to 5 games in 2009 and so far that has been the only thing that has been able to stop him in his spectacular career.

What makes Troy so special (other than his hair) is his unpredictability. Opposing offenses never seem to know what he is going to do next. With his explosive speed, immense physical ability, and tremendous football smarts Troy can





snap count, dove over the offensive line, and sacked Kerry Collins at the goal line to save a touchdown.

As the season has worn on and the games have gotten more important Troy's play has truly risen to occasion. In week 13 the Steelers were down to a tough Baltimore Ravens team late in the fourth quarter in a game that appeared all but lost. Surprisingly, instead of running the ball to work the clock, Baltimore quarterback Joe Flacco dropped back to pass to try to surprise the Steelers' defense. Unfortunately for Baltimore, however, the only one that was surprised was Mr. Flacco when number forty-three put him on his back and forced a fumble that would lead to a game winning touchdown for the Steelers. For his efforts Polamalu would be named AFC defensive player of the week.

In week 14 against the Bengals Polamalu would once again win the defensive player of the week honors for intercepting quarterback Carson Palmer 2 times. The first interception was returned for a touchdown and the second sealed the victory for the Steelers with less than 2 minutes left in regulation. Has there been a bigger game changer on defense in the NFL this year?

Whether it is stopping the run, sacking a quarterback, or covering wide receivers Troy Polamalu can do it all and he's proving it once again this year. 5 Steelers (more than any other team in the NFL) have won the NFL's defensive player of the year award. (Joe Greene (2 times), Mel Blount, Jack Lambert, Rod Woodson, and James Harrison) Will there be a 6th in 2010? Only time will tell.

Playoff Time!! Let's Go Steelers!!

disrupt offenses in many ways. When Troy is in the lineup the Steelers defense is nearly unbeatable, when he is not, they become surprisingly average considering the considerable talent they have. This is a testament to just how great a player Polamalu truly is.

The 2010 season may possibly be Troy's best yet. He is making a strong run for the NFL Defensive Player of the Year Award that teammate James Harrison won 2 years ago. In week 1, for example, Polamalu intercepted a Matt Ryan pass with a minute and 45 seconds remaining in the game that set up the game tying field goal. (The Steelers would go on to win the game in overtime.) Against Tennessee in Steelers' week 2 win Troy made a highlight reel play where he anticipated the



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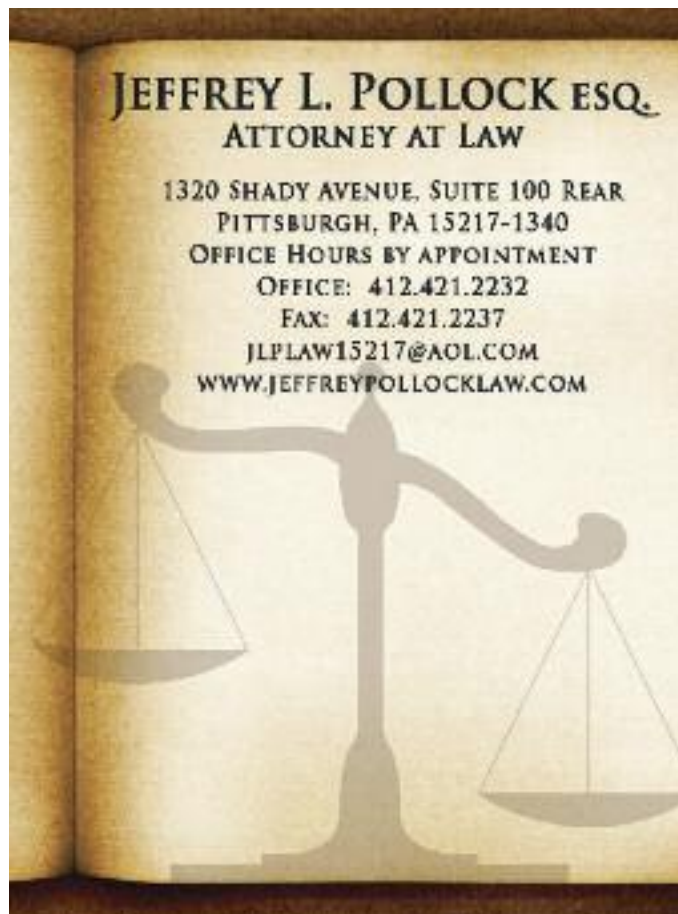
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The tragic downfall of this rashly rushing rammer provides a heartening example of how brilliant you are--compared to some! However, natural selection just got a A. A handicapped man, annoyed that an elevator closed and departed without him, thinks it over before ramming his wheelchair into the doors not once, not twice, but three times in all--only to plunge down the now-empty elevator shaft to his death. Simultaneous success and failure combine to earn the 40-year-old lasting immortality as a Darwin Award winner. The tragic downfall of this rashly rushing rammer provides a heartening example of how brilliant you are--compared to some! However, natural selection just got a little harder. The authorities traced the "problem" to elevator doors that cannot withstand a large impact. Safety regulations were strengthened three years after the elevator was installed, to prevent accidents "such as might happen to children and drunks."

Textbook Double Double Darwin Award

2010 Darwin Award Nominee

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Who would park the car on a busy freeway in heavy fog, for a quickie? Picture this: A young couple driving on Via Dutra, the major freeway in Brazil with tons of heavy traffic, at 6AM under heavy fog the couple decided to park the car for "dating," according to the charming Google translation. And yes, they parked in the right lane of freeway, not on the shoulder or at a gas station -- and naturally, a huge cargo truck comes by and runs right over the car, immediately killing both inside during the act. Double Double Darwin! Two (2) people making two obviously stupid decisions, and natural selection acts at the very moment the two are reproducing . . . Textbook Darwin Award.

Glacier Erasure

2010 Darwin Award Nominee

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Another account from the archives of a 30-year ER MD. In the late fall and early winter months, snow-covered mountains become infested with hunters. One ambitious pair climbed high up a mountain in search of their quarry. The trail crossed a small glacier that had crusted over. The lead hunter had to stomp a foot-hold in the snow, one step at a time, in order to cross the glacier. Somewhere near the middle of the glacier, his next stomp hit not snow but a rock. The lead hunter lost his footing and fell. Down the crusty glacier he zipped, off the edge and out of sight. Unable to help, his companion watched him slide away. After a while, he shouted out, "Are you OK?" "Yes!" came the answer. Reasoning that it was a quick way off the glacier, the second hunter plopped down and accelerated down the ice, following his friend. There, just over the edge of the glacier, was his friend...holding onto the top of a tree that barely protruded from the snow. There were no other treetops nearby, nothing to grab, nothing but a hundred-foot drop onto the rocks below. As the second hunter shot past the first, he uttered his final epitaph: a single word, which we may not utter lest our mothers soap our mouths.

The Burdens Of Our Fathers

2010 Darwin Award Nominee

Unconfirmed by Darwin

(April 2010, Romania) A thirty-five-year-old man from Braila was only trying to fix a broken soil tamper, a tool his father had made himself and used for decades. The metal handle of this family heirloom had rusted loose and our man was trying to weld it back into position, but unfortunately he was welding the metal rod onto an antique WWII cannon shell. Yes, the family had been banging a cannon shell against the garden dirt for two generations! Specialists from the Bucharest ISU (General Institute for Emergency Situations) stated that the first weld had been made in a harmless position, but the second

weld was made in exactly the wrong spot. The heat triggered the shell to explode, mortally wounding the man. In his defense, he was sure the projectile was harmless because his father had used it to compact earth for almost 40 years. If one generation doesn't get it right, the next does.

Barrel Ride, With Flames!

2010 Darwin Award Nominee

Confirmed True by Darwin

(19 July 2010, Washington) Two out-of-town race car crew were at a machine shop that builds and services race cars, when they dreamed up an unusual thrill ride. Fire Chief Dean Klinger reported that on Sunday evening, the men poured four gallons of methanol into a 55-gallon barrel in the parking lot, sat on top of the barrel, and lit it. ("Lit what?" "Lit the bung hole!" define:bung hole) The men were in the town of Sedro-Woolley (pop. 10,000) to participate in the American Sprint Car Series at Skagit Raceway. Apparently they thought the barrel would slide across the parking lot like a rocket sled, with a tail of flame shooting out, and two rodeo clowns sitting on top, waving their caps and hooting. But instead of sliding across the pavement, the barrel blew up beneath them. Who woulda thunk that 4 gallons of methanol inside a 55-gallon drum would be a bomb? The explosion was so powerful that one end of the barrel landed 120 feet away from the blast site. The two Sparks* landed in Harborview Medical Center in Seattle. Racing folks are smart people with a high degree of mechanical ability. The work is risky, but this was not a random "shop accident." Rather, it was a dangerous and ill-conceived stunt by two bored men who were hoping to find some fun in the small town of Sedro-Woolley. Instead of fun, one man lost his life, and a second survived with a sober lesson on the power of combustion.

Ride 'Em Cowgirl

2010 Darwin Award Nominee

Confirmed True by Darwin

Darwin says, "RIDE'EM COWGIRL -- is it a Darwin Award or just bad driving? Sure, we all love the rare Lady Darwin Winner, and you can reread this one, but I'm not sure about it. The passenger, for instance, why should he get dinged for driving without a license? He was only steering the car out of a disaster course. For those who like to comment on stories, Ride'em Cowgirl needs comment." A cautionary tale for those who can't spare the time to slow down and do things properly. 14 August 2010, Kentucky | Kelita H. was travelling "at highway speed" in her Chevy, cruising down Country Road 519 with the wind blowing through her hair, when she and her passenger decided to swap seats. In this situation, a less hasty person would stop the car for a "Chinese fire drill" but Kelita was a little more creative than that. Fortunately, you see, her car had an open T-Top. She stood up, pulled herself onto the roof, and she fell. And then Kelita was travelling solo "at highway speed" down that country road. The Fayette County



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Coroner's Office reported that the 20-year-old died from injuries sustained while impacting a guardrail.

On the way down, her foot hit the steering wheel and the car veered left—but the passenger, who was still inside the vehicle, grabbed the wheel and averted his own possible demise, thereby demonstrating the wisdom of learning from the mistakes of others. That passenger, by the way, easily earns an Honorable Mention himself, as he was arrested and charged with driving on a suspended license with improper registration and no insurance.

Reckless Spending

2010 Darwin Award Nominee

Confirmed True by Darwin

1 October 2010, ARIZONA | The Grand Canyon, one of the seven wonders of the world, recently welcomed home the soul of one of the witless wonders of the world. The death of a 42-year-old California man named Andrew, who was leaping from outcropping to outcropping on the South Rim near Pipe Creek Vista, reminds me of an incident in March 2000 involving a "financial entrepreneur" visiting the famous National Park. Because of the tiresome problem of tourists farting their way into disaster, the more treacherous overlooks in the Grand

Canyon are protected by fences and signs. All of these overlooks are spectacular. Some have towering columns, some have small plateaus that tourists toss coins onto, like dry wishing wells. Like a wish! One entrepreneur wished for financial success. And there in front of him was a means to an end. He had a brilliant, an obvious, idea. No stranger to danger, the man climbed over the fence with a bag, leapt to one of the precarious, coin-covered perches, and filled the bag with booty. Harvest time! But. When he tried to leap back to the safe side, he went head to head with physics. Specifically, $F = mg$. Our entrepreneur had increased his mass, and the force required to lift himself against the pull of gravity was now greater. The heavy bag of coins arrested his jump, and the birds were treated to a view of his long plunge to the valley floor below, followed by a shower of coins. Brilliant idea with a fatal flaw in the execution. "Jumping Jack Flash, it's a gas, Jumping Jack Cash..." And THAT reminds me of a joke. A man was taking a picture of an attractive woman at the Grand Canyon. He was lined up to take the shot, when he suddenly found himself plummeting toward the ground at 30mph. What happened? The woman had said, "Yes, I'm a nude model."

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Teeming With Crocodiles

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(1 January 2010, South Africa) Pop quiz, class. Do you or don't you go swimming in the crocodile-infested Limpopo? Do, or don't, leave your friends on the banks of the great grey-green Olifants River (main tributary of the Limpopo) and swim in its limpid waters not once, not twice, but three times the day you are finally devoured by that old crocodile? Let's just say it was a short New Year for Mariska B., 27, a waitress and former swimmer. According to a long-time resident of Phalaborwa, locals know, "You don't even put a toe in the river. It's teeming with crocodiles and hippos." This local, on her third refreshing dip of the day, didn't have time to scream or struggle. Friends saw just a ripple on the water where seconds before she had been swimming. Did I mention that swimming was strictly prohibited? Police searched for Mariska's body with long poles, and with the chemical detectors known as sniffer dogs, but found nothing. The cycle of life continues.

Tiny Elec Fence

2010 Darwin Award Nominee

Confirmed True by Darwin

(10 January 2010, Brazil) An electrical discharge made toast of

municipal guard Arthur de Souza Coelho, 47, on Sunday evening. According to police reports, he had installed a tiny electric fence around his car to protect against the frequent robberies that occur in his neighborhood in Belem, Para. Then (direct translation from Portuguese) "he forgot that he had left the fence on and he ended dying with the electric shock." After all, we are all dying, but some end sooner than others.

Carbidschieten

2010 Darwin Award Nominee

Confirmed True by Darwin

(1 January 2010, Netherlands) Every now and then a completely new window into the world opens before our eyes. Here we have rural Dutch families enjoying their traditional winter sport, carbidschieten, or Carbide Shooting. It's a ridiculously dangerous machine akin to a potato gun, designed to hurl projectiles from the mouth of a metal milk can. Carbide shooting, that wacky Dutch New Year's tradition, begins with moistening calcium carbide and placing it in a large milk container. The damp CaCb emits acetylene (ethyne) gas which builds up inside the container. Then a spark is supplied, causing the pressurized gas bomb to blow the lid (or packing) off the milk jug. Our nominee, a 54-year-old male, was having the time of his life--right up until the moment he poured a container filled with liquid oxygen over a fire to "flare it up" -- and the container obligingly exploded. hmmm.

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The Perfect Husband

Several men are in the locker room of a golf club. A cellular phone on a bench rings and a man engages the hands-free speaker function and begins to talk. Everyone else in the room stops to listen.

MAN: "Hello"

WOMAN: "Hi Honey, it's me. Are you at the club?"

MAN: "Yes."

WOMAN: "I'm at the shops now and found this beautiful leather coat. It's only \$2,000. Is it OK if I buy it?"

MAN: "Sure, go ahead if you like it that much."

WOMAN: "I also stopped by the Lexus dealership and saw the new models. I saw one I really liked."

MAN: "How much?"

WOMAN: "\$90,000."

MAN: "OK, but for that price I want it with all the options."

WOMAN: "Great! Oh, and one more thing. I was just talking to Janie and found out that the house I wanted last year is back on the market. They're asking \$980,000 for it."

MAN: "Well, then go ahead and make an offer of \$900,000. They'll probably take it. If not, we can go the extra eighty-thousand if it's what you really want."

WOMAN: "OK. I'll see you later! I love you so much!"

MAN: "Bye! I love you, too."

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The man hangs up. The other men in the locker room are staring at him in astonishment, mouths wide open.

He turns and asks, "Anyone know whose phone this is?"

Photo on the Night Stand

After a long night of making love, the guy notices a photo of another man, on the woman's nightstand by the bed. He begins to worry. 'Is this your husband?' he nervously asks. 'No, silly,' she replies, snuggling up to him. 'Your boyfriend, then?' he continues. 'No, not at all,' she says, nibbling away at his ear. 'Is it your dad or your brother?' he inquires, hoping to be reassured. 'No, no, no! You are so hot when you're jealous!' she answers. 'Well, who in the hell is he, then?' he demands. She whispers in his ear 'That's me before the surgery.' ...

Clean can be funny.

One day, a man came home and was greeted by his wife dressed in a very Sexy night gown. 'Tie me up,' she purred, 'and you can do anything you want.' So he tied her up and went golfing.

A woman came home, screeching her car into the driveway, and ran into the house. She slammed the door and shouted at the top of her lungs, 'Honey, pack your bags. I won the lottery!' The husband said, 'Oh my God! What should I pack, beach stuff or mountain stuff?' 'Doesn't matter,' she said. 'Just get out.'

Marriage is a relationship in which one person is always right, and the other is a husband.

A Polish immigrant went to the DMV to apply for a driver's license. First, of course, he had to take an eye sight test The optician showed him a card with the letters 'C Z W I X N O S T A C Z.' 'Can you read this?' the optician asked. 'Read it?' the Polish guy replied, 'I know the guy.'

Mother Superior called all the nuns together and said to them, 'I must tell you all something. We have a case of gonorrhea in the convent.' 'Thank God,' said an elderly nun at the back. 'I'm so tired of chardonnay.'

A wife was making a breakfast of fried eggs for her husband. Suddenly, her husband burst into the kitchen. 'Careful,' he said, 'CAREFUL! Put in some more butter! Oh my gosh! You're cooking too many at once. TOO MANY! Turn them! TURN THEM NOW! We need more butter. Oh my gosh! WHERE are we going to get MORE BUTTER? They're going to STICK!

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Careful. CAREFUL! I said be CAREFUL! You NEVER listen to me when you're cooking! Never! Turn them! Hurry up! Are you CRAZY? Have you LOST your mind? Don't forget to salt them. You know you always forget to salt them. Use the! Salt. USE THE SALT! THE SALT!' The wife stared at him. 'What in the world is wrong with you? You think I don't know how to fry a couple of eggs?' The husband calmly replied, 'I just wanted to show you what it feels like when I'm driving.'

Fifty-one years ago, Herman James, a North Carolina mountain man, was drafted by the Army. On his first day in basic training, the Army issued him a comb. That afternoon the Army barber sheared off all his hair. On his second day, the Army issued Herman a toothbrush. That afternoon the Army dentist yanked seven of his teeth. On the third day, the Army issued him a jock strap. The Army has been looking for Herman for 51 years.

Questions and Answers from AARP (American Association of Retired People) Forum

Q: Where can single men over the age of 60 find younger, women who are interested in them?

A: Try a bookstore, under Fiction.

Q: What can a man do while his wife is going through menopause?

A: Keep busy. If you're handy with tools, you can finish the basement. When you're done, you will have a place to live.

Q: Someone has told me that menopause is mentioned in the bible... Is that true?

Where can it be found?

A: Yes. Matthew 14:92: "And Mary rode Joseph's ass all the way to Egypt ."

Q: How can you increase the heart rate of your over-60 year-old husband?

A: Tell him you're pregnant.

Q: How can you avoid that terrible curse of the elderly wrinkles?

A: Take off your glasses.

Q: Seriously! What can I do for these Crow's feet and all those wrinkles on my face?

A: Go bra less. It will usually pull them out..

Q: Why should 60-plus year old people use valet parking?

A: Valets don't forget where they park your car.

Q: Is it common for 60-plus year old to have problems with

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A: Storing memory is not a problem, Retrieving it is the problem.

Q: As people age, do they sleep more soundly?

A: Yes, but usually in the afternoon.

Q: Where should 60-plus year old look for eye glasses?

A: On their foreheads.

Q: What is the most common remark made by 60-plus year old when they enter antique stores?

A: "Gosh, I remember these!"

SMILE,

You've still got your sense of humor,

RIGHT?

Steeler Nation:

Tom Brady, after living a full life, died. When he got to heaven, God was showing him around. They came to a modest little house with a faded Patriots flag in the window. "This house is yours for eternity, Tom," said God. "This is very special; not everyone gets a house up here." Tom felt special, indeed, and

walked up to his house. On his way up the porch, he noticed another house just around the corner. It was a 3-story mansion with BLACK & GOLD sidewalk, a 50-foot tall flagpole with an enormous STEELERS logo flag, and in every window, a TERRIBLE towel. Tom looked at God and said "God, I'm not trying to be ungrateful, but I have a question. I was an all-pro QB, I hold many NFL records, and I even won a few Super Bowls." God said "So what's your point, Tom?" "Well, why does Roethlisberger get a better house than me?" God chuckled, and said: "Tom, that's not Roethlisberger's house, it's Mine."

A Good Laugh

If you don't laugh at this one, you're dead! Ethel was a bit of a demon in her wheelchair, and loved to charge around the nursing home, taking corners on one wheel and getting up to maximum speed on the long corridors. Because the poor woman was one sandwich short of a picnic the other residents tolerated her and some of them actually joined in. One day Ethel was speeding up one corridor when a door opened and Kooky Clarence stepped out with his arm outstretched. 'STOP!,' he shouted in a firm voice. 'Have you got a license for that thing?' Ethel fished around in her handbag and pulled out a Kit Kat wrapper and held it up to him. 'OK' he said, and away Ethel sped down the hall. As she took the corner near the TV

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lounge on one wheel, weird Harold popped out in front of her and shouted 'STOP! Have you got proof of insurance?' Ethel dug into her handbag, pulled out a drink coaster and held it up to him. Harold nodded and said 'On your way, Ma'am.' As Ethel neared the final corridor, Crazy Craig stepped out in front of her, Butt- Naked, and holding his 'You-Know-What' in his hand. 'Oh, good grief,' yelled Ethel, 'Not that damn Breathalyzer Test again!!!'

When I Say I'm Broke – I'm Broke!

A little old lady answered a knock on the door one day to be confronted by a well-dressed young man carrying a vacuum cleaner. 'Good morning,' said the young man. 'If I could take a couple minutes of your time, I would like to demonstrate the very latest in high-powered vacuum cleaners...' 'Go away!' said the old lady. 'I'm broke and haven't got any money!' And she proceeded to close the door. Quick as a flash, the young man wedged his foot in the door and pushed it wide open... "Don't be too hasty!" he said. "Not until you have at least seen my demonstration." And with that, he emptied a bucket of horse manure onto her hallway carpet. "Now, if this vacuum cleaner does not remove all traces of this horse manure from your carpet, Madam, I will personally eat the remainder." The old lady stepped back and said, "Well let me get you a fork, 'cause they cut off my electricity this morning."

Italian Confession

'Bless me Father, for I have sinned. I have been with a loose girl'. The priest asks, 'Is that you, little Joey Pagano?' 'Yes, Father, it is..' 'And who was the girl you were with?' 'I can't tell you, Father.. I don't want to ruin her reputation'. "Well, Joey, I'm sure to find out her name sooner or later So you may as well tell me now. Was it Tina Minetti?' 'I cannot say.' 'Was it Teresa Mazzarelli?' 'I'll never tell.' 'Was it Nina Capelli?' 'I'm sorry, but I cannot name her..' 'Was it Cathy Piriano?' 'My lips are sealed.' 'Was it Rosa DiAngelo, then?' 'Please, Father, I cannot tell you.' The priest sighs in frustration... You're very tight lipped, and I admire that. But you've sinned and have to atone. You cannot be an altar boy now for 4 months. Now you go and behave yourself.' Joey walks back to his pew, and his friend Franco slides over and whispers, 'What'd you get?' 'Four months vacation and five good leads.'

Restaurant Encounter

A man and a woman were having dinner in a fine restaurant. Their server, taking another order at a few tables away, suddenly noticed that the man was slowly sliding down his chair and under the table, but the woman acted unconcerned. The wait staff watched as the man slowly slid all the way down his chair and out of sight under the table. Still the woman appeared calm and unruffled, apparently unaware that her dinner partner had disappeared. The waitress went over to the table and said to the woman, "Pardon me, Mrs., but I think

your husband just slid under the table." The woman calmly looked up and replied, "No he didn't. He just walked in the door."

Texas Bank Robber

A hooded robber burst into a Texas bank and forced the tellers to load a sack full of cash. On his way out the door, a brave Texas customer grabbed the hood and pulled it off revealing the robbers face. The robber shot the customer without a moments hesitation. He then looked around the bank and noticed one of the tellers looking straight at him. The robber instantly shot him also. Everyone else, by now very scared, looked intently down at the floor in silence. The robber yelled, Well, did anyone else see my face? There are a few moments of utter silence in which everyone was plainly afraid to speak. Then, one old cowboy tentatively raised his hand, and while keeping his head down said, My wife got a pretty good look at you!

How to Avoid the Flu

To avoid it... Eat right! Make sure you get your daily dose of fruits and veggies. Take your vitamins and bump up your vitamin C. Get plenty of exercise because it builds your immune system. Walk for at least an hour a day. Go for a swim. Take the stairs instead of the lift, etc. Wash your hands often. (If you can't, keep a bottle of antibacterial stuff



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New Year's Humor

'Twas the month after Christmas, and all through the house,
Nothing would fit me, not even a blouse.
The cookies I'd nibbled, the eggnog I'd taste,
At the holiday parties had gone to my waist.
When I got on the scales there arose such a number!
When I walked to the store (less a walk than a lumber).
I'd remember the marvelous meals I'd prepared,
The gravies and sauces and beef nicely rared.
The wine and the rum balls, the bread and the cheese,
And the way I'd never said, "No thank you, please."
As I dressed myself in my husband's old shirt,
And prepared once again to do battle with dirt.
I said to myself, as I only can,
"You can't spend a winter disguised as a man!"
So--away with the last of the sour cream dip,
Get rid of the fruit cake, every cracker and chip.
Every last bit of food that I like must be banished,
'Till all the additional ounces have vanished.
I won't have a cookie--not even a lick,
I'll want only to chew on a long celery stick.
I won't have hot biscuits, or corn bread, or pie.

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I'll munch on a carrot and quietly cry.
I'm hungry, I'm lonesome, and life is a bore,
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Happy New Year to all and to all a good diet!

New Year's Resolutions

A New Twist New Year's Resolutions You Can Keep.

Are you sick of making the same resolutions year after year that you never keep? Why not promise to do something you can actually accomplish? Here are some resolutions that you can use as a starting point:

1. Gain weight. At least 30 pounds.
2. Stop exercising. Waste of time.
3. Read less. Makes you think.
4. Watch more TV. I've been missing some good stuff.
5. Procrastinate more. Starting tomorrow.
6. Don't date any of the Baywatch cast.
7. Spend more time at work, surfing with the T1.
8. Take a vacation to someplace important: like, to see the largest ball of twine.
9. Don't jump off a cliff just because everyone else did.
10. Stop bringing lunch from home: I should eat out more.
11. Don't have eight children at once.
12. Get in a whole NEW rut!
13. Start being superstitious.
14. Personal goal: bring back disco.
15. Don't wrestle with Jesse Ventura.
16. Don't bet against the Minnesota Vikings.
17. Buy an '83 Eldorado and invest in a really loud stereo system.
18. Get the windows tinted. Buy some fur for the dash.
19. Speak in a monotone voice and only use monosyllabic words.
20. Only wear jeans that are 2 sizes too small and use a chain or rope for a belt.

Ponderings for the New Year

If you mixed vodka with orange juice and milk of magnesia, would you get a Philip's Screwdriver?

Why do we say something is out of whack?
What is a whack?

If a pig loses its voice, is it disgruntled?

Why do women wear evening gowns to nightclubs? Shouldn't they be wearing night gowns?

If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular?

When someone asks you, "A penny for your thoughts," and you put your two cents in, what happens to the other penny?

Why do croutons come in airtight packages? It's just stale bread to begin with.

When cheese gets it's picture taken, what does it say?

Why is a person who plays the piano called a pianist, but a person who drives a race car not called a racist?

Why are a wise man and a wise guy opposites?

Why do overlook and oversee mean opposite things?

If horrific means to make horrible, does terrific mean to make terrible?

"I am " is reportedly the shortest sentence in the English language. Could it be that "I do " is the longest sentence?

If lawyers are disbarred and clergymen defrocked, doesn't it follow that electricians can be delighted, musicians denoted, cowboys deranged, models deposed, tree surgeons debarked and dry cleaners depressed?

Do Roman paramedics refer to IV's as "4's"?

If you take an Oriental person and spin him around several times, does he become disoriented?

If people from Poland are called "Poles," why aren't people

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from Holland called "Holes?"

Do infants enjoy infancy as much as adults enjoy adultery?

Here is an update on all that health stuff we keep hearing about!!!!!!

Q: I've heard that cardiovascular exercise can prolong life; is this true?

A: Your heart is only good for so many beats, and that's it... don't waste them on exercise. Everything wears out eventually. Speeding up your heart will not make you live longer; that's like saying you can extend the life of your car by driving it faster. Want to live longer? Take a nap.

Q: Should I cut down on meat and eat more fruits and vegetables?

A: You must grasp logistical efficiencies. What does a cow eat? Hay and corn. And what are these? Vegetables. So a steak is nothing more than an efficient mechanism of delivering vegetables to your system. Need grain? Eat chicken. Beef is also a good source of field grass (green leafy vegetable). And a pork chop can give you 100% of your recommended daily allowance of vegetable products.

Q: Should I reduce my alcohol intake?

A: No, not at all. Wine is made from fruit. Brandy is distilled wine, that means they take the water out of the fruity bit so you get even more of the goodness that way. Beer is also made out of grain. Bottoms up!

Q: How can I calculate my body/fat ratio?

A: Well, if you have a body and you have fat, your ratio is one to one. If you have two bodies, your ratio is two to one, etc.

Q: What are some of the advantages of participating in a regular exercise program?

A: Can't think of a single one, sorry. My philosophy is: No Pain... Good!

Q: Aren't fried foods bad for you?

A: YOU'RE NOT LISTENING!!! Foods are fried these days in vegetable oil. In fact, they're permeated in it. How could getting more vegetables be bad for you?

Q: Will sit-ups help prevent me from getting a little soft around the middle?

A: Definitely not! When you exercise a muscle, it gets bigger. You should only be doing sit-ups if you want a bigger stomach.

Q: Is chocolate bad for me?

A: Are you crazy? HELLO Cocoa beans! Another vegetable!!! It's the best feel-good food around!

Q: Is swimming good for your figure?

A: If swimming is good for your figure, explain whales to me.

Q: Is getting in-shape important for my lifestyle?

A: Hey! 'Round' is a shape!

This should certainly clear up your misconceptions about food and diets.

Remember:

'Life should NOT be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in an attractive and well preserved body, but rather to skid in sideways - Chardonnay in one hand - chocolate in the other - body thoroughly used up, totally worn out and screaming 'WOO HOO, What a Ride' AND....For those of you who watch what you eat, here's the final word on nutrition and health. It's a relief to know the truth after all those conflicting nutritional studies.

1. The Japanese eat very little fat and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans.
2. The Mexicans eat a lot of fat and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans.
3. The Chinese drink very little red wine and suffer fewer heart

attacks than Americans.

4. The Italians drink a lot of red wine and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans.
5. The Germans drink a lot of beers and eat lots of sausages and fats and suffer fewer heart attacks than Americans.

CONCLUSION

Eat and drink what you like.

Speaking English is apparently what kills you.

Got Tech Support???

Tech support: What kind of computer do you have?

Female customer: A white one...

Customer: Hi, this is Maureen. I can't get my diskette out.

Tech support: Have you tried pushing the Button?

Customer: Yes, sure, it's really stuck.

Tech support: That doesn't sound good; I'll make a note.

Customer: No, wait a minute... I hadn't inserted it yet... it's still on my desk... sorry....

Tech support: Click on the 'my computer' icon on to the left of the screen.

Customer: Your left or my left?

Tech support: ;Good day. How may I help you?

Male customer: Hello... I can't print.

Tech support: Would you click on "start" for me and.

Customer: Listen pal; don't start getting technical on me! I'm not Bill Gates.

Customer: Hi, good afternoon, this is Martha, I can't print. Every time I try, it says 'Can't find printer'. I've even lifted the printer and placed it in front of the monitor, but the computer still says he can't find it...

Customer: I have problems printing in red...

Tech support: Do you have a color printer?

Customer: Aaaah.....thank you.

Tech support: What's on your monitor now, ma'am?

Customer: A teddy bear my boyfriend bought for me at Macy's.

Customer: My keyboard is not working anymore.

Tech support: Are you sure it's plugged into the computer?

Customer: No. I can't get behind the computer.

Tech support: Pick up your keyboard and walk 10 paces back.

Customer: OK

Tech support: Did the keyboard come with you?

Customer: Yes

Tech support: That means the keyboard is not plugged in. Is there another keyboard?

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Customer: Yes, there's another one here. Ah...that one does work...

Tech support: Your password is the small letter "a" as in apple, a capital letter V as in Victor, the number 7.

Customer: Is that 7 in capital letters ?

Customer: can't get on the Internet.

Tech support: Are you sure you used the right password?

Customer: Yes, I'm sure. I saw my colleague do it.

Tech support: Can you tell me what the password was?

Customer: Five stars.

Tech support: What anti-virus program do you use?

Customer: Netscape.

Tech support: That's not an anti-virus program.

Customer: Oh, sorry...Internet Explorer.

Customer: I have a huge problem. A friend has placed a screen saver on my computer, but every time I move the mouse, it disappears.

Tech support: How may I help you?

Customer: I'm writing my first e-mail.

Tech support: OK, and what seems to be the problem?

Customer: Well, I have the letter 'a' in the address, but how do I get the circle around it?

A woman customer called the Canon help desk with a problem with her printer.

Tech support: Are you running it under windows?

Customer: "No, my desk is next to the door, but that is a good point. The man sitting in the cubicle next to me is under a window, and his printer is working fine."

And last but not least...

Tech support: "Okay Colin, let's press the control and escape keys at the same time. That brings up a task list in the

middle of the screen. Now type the letter "P " to bring up the Program Manager."

Customer: I don't have a P.

Tech support: On your keyboard, Colin.

Customer: What do you mean?

Tech support: "P"on your keyboard, Colin.

Customer: I'M NOT GOING TO DO THAT

Zen Sarcasm

1. Do not walk behind me, for I may not lead. Do not walk ahead of me, for I may not follow. Do not walk beside me either. In fact, just leave me alone.
2. The journey of a thousand miles begins with a broken fan belt and a leaky tire.
3. It's always darkest before dawn. So if you're going to steal your neighbor's newspaper, that's the time to do it.
4. Don't be irreplaceable. If you can't be replaced, you can't be promoted.
5. Always remember that you're unique. Just like everyone else.
6. Never test the depth of the water with both feet.
7. If you think nobody cares if you're alive, try missing a couple of car payments.
8. Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticize them, you're a mile away and you have their shoes.
9. If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.
10. Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach him how to fish, and he will sit in a boat and drink beer all day.
11. If you lend someone \$20 and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.
12. If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.
13. Some days you're the bug; some

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days you're the windshield.

14. Everyone seems normal until you get to know them.
15. The quickest way to double your money is to fold it in half and put it back in your pocket.
16. A closed mouth gathers no foot.
17. Duct tape is like 'The Force'. It has a light side and a dark side, and it holds the universe together.
18. There are two theories to arguing with women. Neither one works.
19. Generally speaking, you aren't learning much when your lips are moving.
20. Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.
21. Never miss a good chance to shut up.
22. Never, under any circumstances, take a sleeping pill and a laxative on the same night.

Top Funny New Year Resolutions for 2011

- Here are some funny New Year resolutions for 2011...
- I will think of a password other than "password" or "hello".
- I will not tell the same story at every get together.
- I won't worry so much.
- I will cut my hair.
- I will grow my hair.
- I will stop considering other people's feelings when they so obviously don't consider mine - if that unwashed fellow sits next to me again, I'll tell him he stinks!
- I will be more imaginative.
- I will not bore my boss by with the same excuse for taking leaves. I will think of some more excuses.
- I will do less laundry and use more deodorant.
- I will avoid taking a bath whenever possible and conserve more water.
- Assure my lawyer that I will never again show up drunk at a custody hearing.
- I will give up chocolates totally. 100%. Completely. Honestly....

More Top Funny New Year Resolutions

- I will try to figure out why I *really* need nine e-mail addresses.
- I will stop sending e-mails to my wife (husband).
- I resolve to work with neglected children -- my own.
- I will stop sending e-mail, ICQ, Instant Messages and be on the phone at the same time with the same person.
- I will spend less than one hour a day on the Internet. This, of course, will be hard to estimate since I'm not a clock

watcher.

- I will read the manual... just as soon as I can find it.
- I will not hang around girls - they think you love them and that sucks.
- I will not ring the stewardess button on airplanes just to get her phone number.
- I resolve to work with neglected children. (my own).
- I will answer my snail mail with the same enthusiasm with which I answer my e-mail.
- When I hear a funny joke I will not reply, "LOL... LOL!"
- I will not ring the stewardess button on airplanes just to get her phone number.
- I will balance my checkbook. (on my nose).
- I will find out why the correspondence course on "Mail Fraud" that I purchased never showed up.
- Start buying lottery tickets at a luckier store.
- Remember to brush teeth with bristly end of toothbrush.
- Don't eat medicine just because it looks like candy.
- Always replace the gas nozzle before driving away from the pump.
- I will always "check for paper" when leaving the restroom.
- I will try to drive closer to the speed limit.
- I will keep an extra safe distance when driving behind police cars.

Really Funny New Year Resolutions for 2011

- I will be more imaginative.

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- I will not wet the bed and blame it on my younger brother.
- I promise to clean my room once a week even though I haven't cleaned it more than once in the last year.
- I will always replace the gas nozzle before driving away from the pump.
- I will always "check for paper" before and after leaving a public restroom.
- I will try to drive closer to the speed limit.
- I will always wear clean underwear, "just in case".
- I will keep an extra safe distance when driving behind police cars.
- Never again will I try to diffuse an explosive device with a known practical joker.
- Read less books. A little learning is a dangerous thing. Too much of it can really wreck your head.
- Gain weight, at least 40 pounds. Didn't your mom always say you were bit skinny.
- Cut down on exercise. Too much is bad for your health, it can even kill you.
- Watch more TV. It's very educational. Catch up on all those programs you missed down the years.
- Draw up a list of people who were nasty to you in the past year, get your own back on them in the next year!
- Drink more. Wasn't it Benjamin Franklin who said, beer is proof that God loves us and wants us to be happy. So be happy.
- Eat more nice things like candy, Big Macs, popcorn and ice cream. Eat less crap like fresh fruit, vegetables and soy nuts.
- Work less. Take it easy. All work and no play can make you a dull boy or girl.
- Play more computer games. Scientists say they're good for you and improve your visual skills. But you always knew that.
- Take up some worthwhile new habit, like smoking - it helps keep tobacco workers in jobs.
- I will drink less beer, last year I drank enough beer to have kept the Titanic afloat.
- I will spend less money on buying useless stuff like this new DVD Re-winder I had ordered for Christmas.
- I will drive more carefully, people are starting to notice the dozens of dents in my car.
- I will treat my girlfriend better, I won't make her carry all the groceries the next time we go to the market.
- I promise to be nice to my dog. I won't starve him to death more than 10 times.... in a month.
- I will no longer interfere in a game.
- I will not hang around girls - they think you love them and that sucks.

More Funny New Year's Resolutions for 2011

- I will leave my brain at home while going to watch a supposedly scary movies like Scary Movie 1, 2, 3 & 4!
- I will never again take a sleeping pill and a laxative on the

same night.

- I resolve to hold my breath and pull in my paunch when I cross my young secretary.
- I will stop saying, "Ooh, that feels nice" whenever the security guys frisk me at airports.
- I resolve not to see any serial or movie in which any dead character is brought alive.
- I resolve not to call any phone number of any TV contest as they are always kept off the hook.
- I resolve not to swim in any swimming pool without water.
- I resolve to stop poisoning my family with my cooking.
- My New Year resolution is: 1024 by 968 pixels!
- Learn what the hell "resolution" means.
- I promise to stick to these resolutions for more than a week (even though I never do).

Random Stupid Questions to ask Someone, People, Guys, and Girls

- Why is an alarm clock going "off" when it actually turns on?
- If you mated a bull dog and a shitsu, would it be called a bullship?
- If an ambulance is on its way to save someone, and it runs someone over, does it stop to help them?
- Why is Grape Nuts cereal called that, when it contains neither grapes, nor nuts?
- Why is it called a "drive through" if you have to stop?
- Why does mineral water that has "trickled through mountains for centuries" go out of date next year?
- Why are Softballs hard?
- Do the minutes on the movie boxes include the previews, credits, and special features, or just the movie itself?
- If the professor on Giligan's Island can make a radio out of coconut, why can't he fix a hole in a boat?

Stupid Questions to Ask People

- Why is an electrical outlet called an outlet when you plug things into it? Shouldn't it be called an inlet.
- Why do we scrub down and wash Up?
- Why does Goofy stand erect while Pluto remains on all fours? They're both dogs!
- Can blind people see their dreams?
- Why do most cars have speedometers that go up to at least 130 when you legally can't go that fast on any road?
- Why do they call it "getting your dog fixed" if afterwards it doesn't work anymore?
- Why do they call it taking a dump? Shouldn't it be leaving a dump?
- Where in the nursery rhyme does it say humpty dumpty is an egg?
- Why do they sterilize needles for lethal injections?

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- Why do banks leave the door wide open but the pens chained to the counter?

Stupid Questions to Ask Someone

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

Why does Donald Duck wear a towel when he comes out of the shower, when he doesn't usually wear any pants?

How come you press harder on a remote control when you know the battery is dead?

If an orange is orange, why isn't a lime called a green or a lemon called a yellow?

If the #2 pencil is the most popular, why's it still #2?
What color would a smurf turn if you choked it?

Where's the egg in an egg roll?

Why aren't blue berries blue?

Where is the lead in a lead pencil?

Why is Greenland called green when it is covered in ice?

Why does your gynecologist leave the room when you undress?

If a person owns a piece of land, do they own it all the way down to the center of the earth?


Why can't woman put their mascara on with their mouth closed?

Why are they called stairs inside but steps outside?

Why is there a light in the fridge but not in the freezer?

Why does mineral water that has trickled through mountains for centuries have a use by date?

Why do toasters always have a setting on them which burns your toast to a horrible crisp no one would eat?



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Funny Stupid Questions

What do you call male ballerinas?

If Wile E coyote has enough money to buy all that Acme crap why doesn't he buy his dinner?

Why is a person who handles money called a broker?

If quizzes are quizzical, what are tests?

If corn oil is made from corn and vegetable oil is made from vegetables. What is baby oil made from?

If a man is walking in a forest and no women is there to hear him is he still wrong?

Why is "phonics" not spelled the way it sounds?

If quizzes are quizzical then what are tests?

If a word is misspelled in the dictionary, how would we ever know?

Why is there an expiration date on sour cream?

Why do we say something is out of whack? What is a whack?

Why isn't 11 pronounced "onety-one"?

You can be overwhelmed and underwhelmed, but why can't you be simply whelmed?

Shouldn't the opposite of shut up be shut down?

If you get cheated by the Better Business Bureau, who do you complain to?

How come there aren't B batteries?

If you got in a cab and the driver drove backwards, would he end up owing you money?

Really Stupid Questions

Why is the word for "a fear of long words," hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliophobia, so long? Why do they call it a TV "set" when you only get one?

How do "Do not walk on the grass" signs get there?

If I melt dry ice, can I take a bath without getting wet?

Why is it that night falls but day breaks?

How do you remove a club soda stain?

Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars, but check when you say the paint is wet?

How come you never hear father-in-law jokes?

When your pet bird sees you reading the newspaper, does he wonder why you're just sitting there, staring at carpeting?

How do people get discombobulated? Have you ever seen someone who was combobulated?

Who closes the door when the bus driver gets off?

Why do kids learn math when they could just use calculators like the grownups?

Do you ever just get the urge to double-click something?

How come there's a greeting card section for new babies? Do they come some other way?

Can't the postman give it to the garbage man and save us the hassle?

Do the people who say "God darn it" really think God darns?

If a job is cancelled, do hit men get a kill fee?

When you perform a head count, do Siamese twins count as one or two?

Silly or Stupid Questions

If it's friendly fire, shouldn't they use blanks?

How long do fish wait to swim after they eat?

Do turkeys get sleepy from that thing in turkey that makes you sleepy?

Did they purposely make dyslexia hard to spell?

What do you call it when fat people swim naked?

Is it wrong to enjoy the smell of your own gas?

Why do we still call it "shipping" when it goes by plane and truck?

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