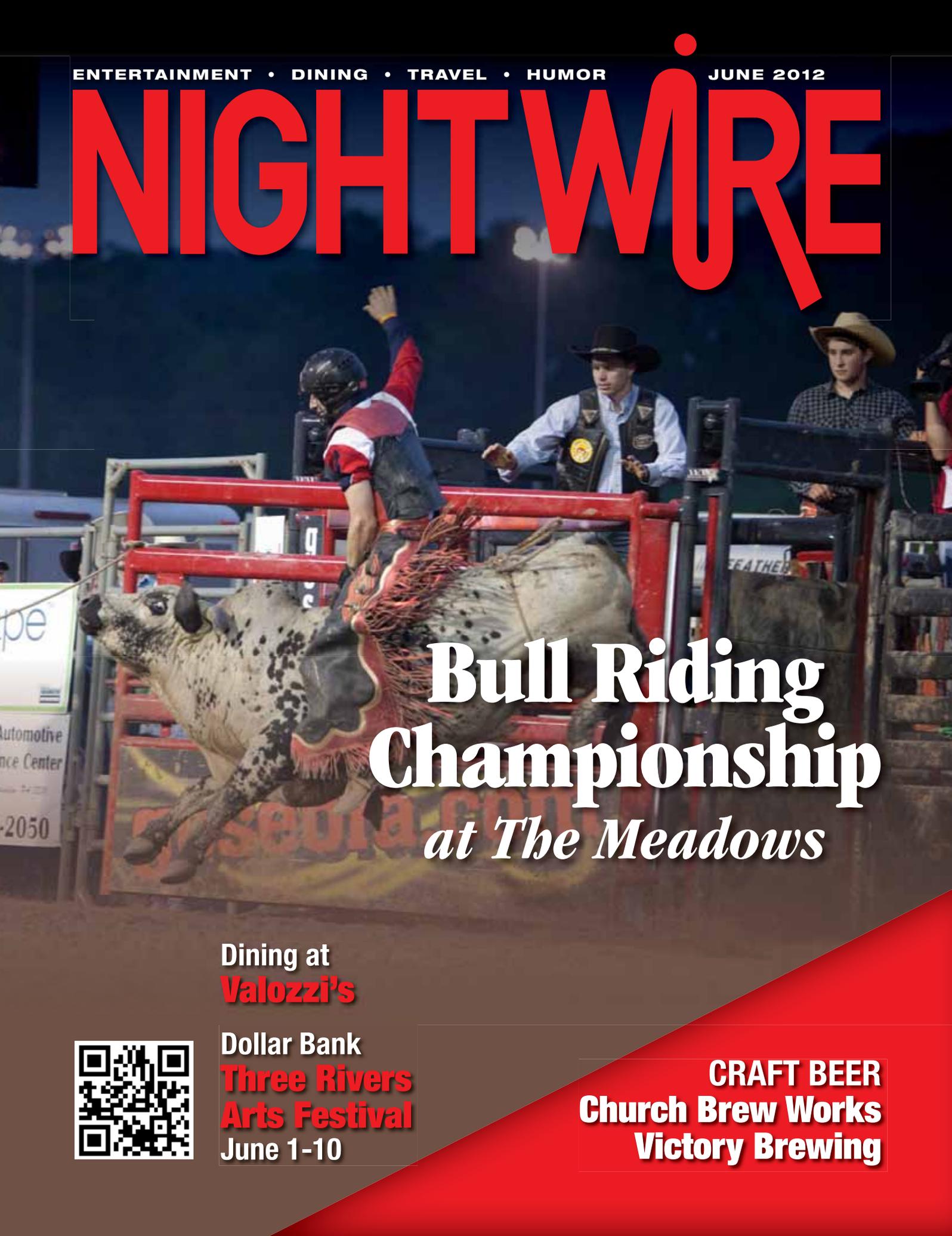


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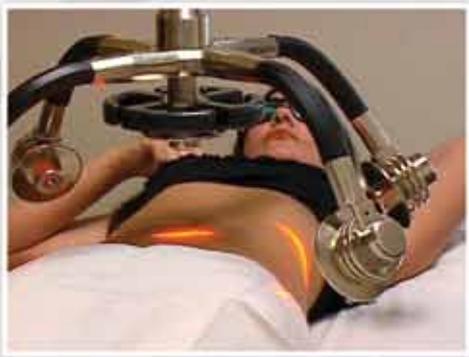
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Wedding Day Tips For The Bride



There are so many things to think about when brides plan their wedding. In the rush they tend to forget about taking care of themselves on the day of their wedding. Since June is traditionally one of the largest months for weddings, we thought these tips could be extremely helpful in keeping your stress level down so that you can truly enjoy your magical day. Every bride has tons of things to think about when planning their wedding, but it's important is to remember to take care of yourself on the day of your wedding. Remember, it's your day. I can't stress this enough...so keep saying it, its my day! You want everything to be perfect, but you have to remember, life is not perfect and little things do pop up... don't let them spoil your special day! So here are some suggestions for a stress free wedding day!!

The first thing that should be on the top of your list during the week leading up to your wedding is this... take time to relax and enjoy your experience. Remember, there is nothing that could possibly go wrong that is going to ruin your day or your marriage! So what if a button falls off, or a thread on your dress comes loose or a bead pops off. It's not the end of the world.. things like this happen.. it's life, accept it with a smile and don't let anything stand in your way of enjoying yourself.

Plan to spend quality time with your groom, we would like to suggest a couples massage.. and afterwards perhaps a glass of wine or a cocktail accompanied by a light romantic candlelight dinner. Keep the romance and mood going by enjoying each other to the fullest. Our suggested place for a massage is LaVida Massage located in Shadyside on 5430 Centre Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15232 - (412) 621-7666 call them today for a couples massage appointment! Fantastic places, affordable pricing and super fabulous massages. Tell them Nighwire sent you!!

Ok, now that we have the relaxation part covered, we would like to suggest a trip to Adam & Eve in the North Hills - 7775 McKnight Road Pittsburgh, PA 15237 Phone: (412) 548-3384. At Adam & Eve you will find everything you need to keep you relaxed and feeling playful and sexy, which will definitely keep the stress away. It's a great place for couples to explore and bring out the true romance and perhaps the sexy side in the both of you. Adam & Even has sensual and sexy lingerie to suit your every need and personality. They offer a huge selection of massage oils, candles, lubricants (flavored and edible), books,

toys and so much more. You'll have so much fun exploring in a very welcoming comfortable fun environment.

Create an emergency kit for those unexpected emergencies just in case. This should include your make-up bag for touch ups. Consider an "emergency kit" filled with items you may need on your wedding day. Fill a small bag with items such as a travel size sewing kit (you'd be amazed at the magic tricks just one safety pin can perform), clear nail polish (for panty hose/stocking runs), an extra set of panty hose or stockings, hair spray, scissors, throat lozenges, aspirin, antacids, breath mints, tooth brush, tooth paste, dental floss be sure to include tissues, tampons, hand cream, and band-aids. Stash a power bar snack in your purse or "emergency kit." you can always add whatever else you think you could possibly need, you can never be over prepared... becoming pro-active will really reduce your stress and if that doesn't work...I like to add some wine.. everything goes well with wine or champagne!

It's important to practice walking in the shoes you'll be wearing during the ceremony. Take a test run in the shoes and the wedding gown and get used to both. Heels are great, but, having a backup pair of lower heels or flats can save the day... However, its really important to let your seamstress know that you might change out of those heels to flats.. there is nothing worse than having your dress drag on the ground because you had it hemmed to wear with heels, now its 2 or 3 inches too long with your flats. A good seamstress can help you decide on the length of your dress so that it looks awesome with either heels or flats, remember, you will have to come up with a happy medium.. because two or three inch heels will make your dress two or three inches longer when you are wearing a lower shoe.

Be sure to start your wedding day with healthy and filling nourishment. Since most brides don't get to enjoy the meal served at the reception, you really should consider having something to eat before the wedding, no matter how worried you are about how the dress fits! While food may be the last thing on your mind on your wedding day, it's nonetheless important that you start the day with some healthy and filling nourishment. It's going to be a long (and wonderful) day and you'll want to have plenty of energy so you can keep dancing and socializing for hours!

For your wedding day make a list of everything that needs to be done along with the key contacts at your venue. Keep track of time with an itinerary and a point person. Whether you've worked with a wedding consultant or carefully planned everything yourself, you should have an itinerary for the big day. Make copies, give them to a few good friends and/or close family members, then choose someone to be the "point person" who will make sure things are running smoothly and reasonably on time. You will be able to rest easily knowing at least one of your deputies will keep track of the time while you're busy greeting those out-of-town guests and brand new in-laws whose names you can't quite remember!

Then, delegate...delegate...let the people you have entrusted do their jobs. Do not allow your mom and dad to be stressed, remember its their day too.. let them enjoy your day as much as you, trust me, every mom and dad dreams of their daughters wedding.. let them relish those precious hours. Give your point person full responsibility and the authority to handle any of the minor things that do and will occur during your wedding day. Only allow them to come to you with major and I mean major, like the building is on fire emergencies. Remember.. it's your day.. enjoy it!

Wine and Spirits - Choosing Summer Wines



Summer is the time to enjoy light, refreshing and crisp wines while soaking in the sunshine and enjoying barbecues and light dinners out on the deck. Summer wines are usually those that work well chilled and can be mixed into fruit juices or with other ingredients without losing their original flavor and character.

White wines are a summer classic. Choose white wines that are a medium-bodied and clean, so that it doesn't overwhelm the light summer dinners you will have. Old-world whites especially from Germany or France will always work well, grape varietals for summer include pinot gris, chardonnay, sauvignon blanc and Riesling. Bubbly like prosecco and champagne also fall into this category.



Pinot grigio (or pinot gris) is a light Italian wine that has citrus and floral notes. Most pinot gris works well when chilled and has a wonderful pear and melon notes and tastes a little like honey. Italian pinot grigios are crisp and when chilled, helps to cut down the heat of summer. Add lemon and lime slices, and three parts wine to one part sparkling water to make a wine spritzer that compliments seafood and salad dishes well.

Chardonnays are a classic and would work well with chicken and fish dishes while sauvignon blancs work particularly well with spicy dishes. French chardonnays are lighter than their American counterpart: a good inexpensive pick is the

Airlie Chardonnay Willamette Valley - Oregon 2007 -
Winemaker's Note:

"Chardonnay is often considered the winemaker's grape. The grape itself tends to be very agreeable, growing quite well in a variety of conditions and responding easily to the winemaker's hand. I like to barrel ferment it for the added depth and mouth feel as well as stirring the lees and letting the wine go through malo-lactic fermentation (ML). I do track every barrel's ML progress and may or may not let each one go all the way through depending on when I feel the wine comes into balance. As always, I am trying to create a food wine so I want some acid left to balance the creaminess of the wine as well as what you are eating; apple and onion tarts with slivers of blue cheese are an excellent companion." Regular Price: \$16.99 on Sale Now: \$10.99

German Rieslings from the Alsace regions are well known for their sweetness and is delightful paired with desserts or spicy Thai inspired dishes like grilled prawns or curried chicken salad. Prosecco and champagne work well when mixed with fruit juices like orange, apple or pineapple. Add strawberries and mint and two parts orange juice to two parts Prosecco for a refreshing summer aperitif.

Rose wines are a perennial European summer favorite, particularly in France and Italy where it is a lunch time staple. New Roses from California are less expensive than European wines. Get a few bottles and serve with canapes and herbed goat cheese on crackers for your summer party.

During the summer, steak will most likely be on the menu during barbecues and grilling sessions. You don't have to settle for a light white or rose just because it's summer. There are plenty of light and medium bodied red wines that compliment steak very well. Bordeaux wines from France, Chiantis from Italy, Californian Merlots and Oregon Pinot Noirs are all good picks for a side of steak and any other meat inspired dishes.

The choices for summer wines are endless, your PA wine store associate should be more than pleased to help you pick up some good refreshing wines that reflect the beauty of the season. Be sure to check out the Chairman's Selection for some great wines with amazing pricing.



Congrats to Regina Koetters, who will soon be opening a new market in the Strip District called Marty's Market! It is anticipated to be the place for Pittsburghers who demand fresh, full-flavor, high quality food as well as the retailer of choice for regional farmers who are committed to growing it. By building strong partnerships with producers down the street from them as well as across the country, Marty's Market, LLC is a unique connecting piece of our inter-regional food system. Marty's Market believes food should be made of food and nothing else. Featuring clean, all-natural pantry staples in bulk and grocery, produce free of GMOs and harmful chemicals, and meat and dairy products from animals treated humanely and without antibiotics and added hormones, Marty's Market will offer the best for you, your family, the community, and the environment. The team has put a lot of thought into what they will make and sell so you can worry less about what you bring home from the market.

More than just a place to shop, Marty's Market's coffee bar serves and sells thoughtfully sourced coffee and its full-service café reflects the creativity of the culinary team and the versatility of the products for sale in the market. Beyond serving and selling food, Marty's Market will feature cooking classes, cooking demonstrations and other community events.

At the heart of it all, Marty's Market values transparency. From the open design of the space and the structure of their business to the open knowledge of the origins of what they sell and who is producing it, Marty's Market is a model of how food can spark community, fuel curiosity, sustain the environment, and of course, taste as good as it can make us feel. The company's leaders and staff can't wait to learn from their customers and build lasting partnerships and friendships.

Regina told Nightwire, "I couldn't be more excited to introduce you to Marty's Market, which aims to build on what Right by Nature started by optimizing the store's unique, Strip District location (at the intersection of Smallman and 23rd Streets) and delivering new food-based experiences through creative partnerships with growers and culinary enthusiasts.

"Marty's Market is smaller than Right by Nature and will feature a new, full-service, indoor-outdoor cafe and coffee bar with several demonstration cooking areas. Our shelves and our menu will feature high quality foods from local vendors and farms as well as thoughtfully sourced foods from around the country and the world. My team and I invite you to join in our

excitement as we count down the days until our June opening via Facebook, Twitter, and our website www.martysmarket.com."

She continued, "We look forward to joining the strong food community of Pittsburgh and meeting you very soon!"

Team member, Johanna Klotz had this to say: "Marty's Market owner, Regina Koetters, often reiterates to those she speaks with that she doesn't 'know food.' Regina comes to the business with a background in development, an appreciation of the greater Pittsburgh food community, and an eagerness to learn about (and of course, taste) great food.

The thing about food, or more specifically, helping to build a more integrated and sustainable regional food system, is that people like Regina are a crucial part of the system. Most of us don't think about our position in the food system on a day-to-day basis, and yet we are all involved in that system, in one way or another. Regina's vision for Marty's Market addresses that involvement head on—whether or not she knows it, she knows food."

With Regina at the helm, Marty's Market is a different way to connect farmers and producers with customers in a truly meaningful way. From the market side of the business, selling clean sustainably-grown and raised foods, to the café, where the products brought into the store are transformed into delicious meals highlighting quality and freshness, Marty's Market is designed to be an arena for an ongoing conversation about the possibilities of sustainable agriculture, culture, taste, our region and seasonality, education, and how food affects our everyday lives.

As a unique participant in the western Pennsylvania food system, Marty's Market is already creating partnerships with local farmers and producers to enhance what already makes this area a great place to live and eat. By partnering with Goose Creek Gardens, Ltd., Marty's Market was able to supply the farm with new hoop houses to increase their already stellar production for the market. Marty's Market is a place to showcase partnerships with co-branded labels that reflect the origins of products.

Regina and her team are excited to see how a destination place like Marty's Market can have a hand in the evolution of how people in our region think about food. By speaking specifically about what makes all of its vendors unique and important, Marty's Market aims to increase personal connection and value in the retail experience, educate the public about responsible growing practices, and show how the consumer can support the local economy with responsible purchasing practices. Seeing this potential is part of knowing food: from healthy soils to healthy, sustaining communities.

Marty's Market is located in the Strip at 2301 Smallman Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222; you can reach them at (412) 586-7177. Watch for their grand opening in June; let's all come out and support Regina. She served on active duty for nearly a decade in the U.S. Navy, has logged two deployments in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and continues to serve as a Navy Reservist. Thank you, Regina. Congratulations and much success!!



Susan Dunhoff, Owner Modern Matchmaker

How To Keep The Excitement In Your Love Life

Be Thoughtful

It's the little things that count. Send your significant other a romantic card for no reason at all; send flowers to her workplace just to let her know how special she is; bring one perfect red rose to dinner; send chocolate covered strawberries to his workplace (enough for co-workers to share; they all will envy him!); buy her a silk nightgown and robe for her birthday. Even the shyest woman will turn into a confident model.

Be Romantic

Surprise her with champagne and chocolates; plan a romantic weekend getaway; bake a heart-shaped cake and ice it (even a rum cake can be sexy); give him a framed photo of the two of you for his desk; surprise her with matching shirts; buy new lingerie; buy a slinky, sexy evening dress and invite him out for a change; surprise your boyfriend with a hug when he is working at his computer; whisper in her ear, while she is sleeping, how much you care about her.

Be Creative

Surprise him and cook a romantic dinner for two: comfort food; texture; color; food is sexy! Add candles, romantic music- you are set; surprise her with front row seats to her favorite concert group; pack a gourmet picnic for two complete with a bottle of wine and real stemware-make it special; serve her breakfast in bed that you actually made with freshly squeezed orange juice; cook dinner together and be playful in the kitchen; book a private professional suggestive photo shoot and surprise him with the album.

Be Compassionate

Picture this: your boyfriend has finally climbed the corporate ladder, only to find out his job has been eliminated with no notice; your girlfriend just talked you into paying for her permanent makeup and returned home with uneven eyebrows; you and your significant other join an expensive buying club and later find out they were being investigated on 60 Minutes. You should never blame one another. Instead, be extra supportive, caring and understanding. Having trust in one another is critically important.

Use Common Sense

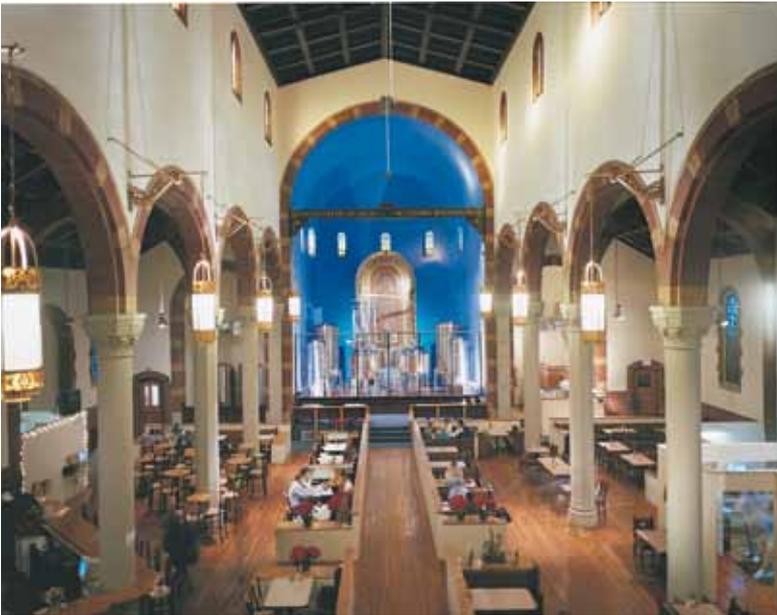
If you make a mistake, admit it, talk about why it occurred, and discuss how you can prevent making the same mistake twice. Do not argue about politics, current events or history, things you have little control over. If you are on a date and your boyfriend comments on how beautiful the woman at the next table is, just let him know that you, too, respect a beautiful woman, but laughingly let him know that that same woman would not want him. Be secure with yourself! If you have a disagreement, kiss and hug and make up quickly. Communication is the key. Discuss little problems rationally before they fester and blow up into a huge fight.

Be A Best Friend

The term "for better or worse" holds true in dating as well as marriage. It is nice to always think the glass is half full, not half empty, and have a positive outlook on life. But life is not always a bed of roses or candy canes and fairytales. Sometimes disaster strikes: the loss of a loved one; an impending surgery; a relative that is critically ill. This is the time when you really need a best friend and lover.

Craft Beers - Church Brew Works

By: Joyce Campisi



The Church Brew Works... Brewing Up Heavenly Craft Beer! Owner Sean Casey opened the Church Brew Works for business on the 1st of August in 1996 and has been operational for 16 years. It is the oldest continuous operating brewery in the City of Pittsburgh. The Church Brew Works is very successful, continually growing and producing more high quality craft beer, thanks to dedication, commitment to quality and the love of beer Sean has!

It was quite evident to Nightwire that Sean is an amazing businessman and the driving force at the Church Brew Works. Sean told us, "The palate of the consumer has changed. They are moving away from corporate beers and definitely moving more toward much more flavorful craft beers. Celestial Gold used to be the Church Brew Works' number one selling beer; now, it's Pius Mark Dunkel."

Sean said that the largest growing consumers of craft beer are women. Women traditionally did not enjoy drinking beer, but what they are finding now is that the craft beers are appealing and pleasing to their palates. Women have come to enjoy craft beers just as much as they have in the past enjoyed a fine glass of wine or a cocktail! I found this to be so true, as I only drank really cold light beer. Sean said, "Well then, you probably never really liked beer because when you drink really cold light beer, you might as well be drinking water." Oh yes, I have tried other beers in the past, only to find them too bitter, too sweet, too unappealing until I started researching and really tasting craft beers. What I found, to my surprise, was that Sean was absolutely right and nailed it...craft beers have flavor that you can savor and they are surprisingly refreshing.

While at the Church Brew Works, I sampled some of their craft beers and, guess what, my favorite beer was a stout. I have up until now hated stout beer. But, their Coconut Stout beer was

absolutely outstanding, not bitter at all but rather extremely refreshing and pleasing to my palate. I absolutely loved it! My next favorite was the Millennium Trippel, a carbonated beer that is corked and bottled like champagne, an absolute "must try" beer! Their current summer beers are the German Wheat Beer, Saaz Monster, a hoppy pilsner and Coconut Stout.

Pittsburghers have grown to love the Church Brew Works beers; they are one of the top selling Craft beers at PNC Park!

Church Brew Works was built on the foundation of brewing quality and maintaining the consistency of their beers, which has been the key to their success. Sean is constantly investing money in his equipment and lab testing facility to ensure they maintain the quality and consistency of their beer. Quality Control is the number one priority with the Church Brew Works, and it certainly shows. Sean just recently purchased the old Iron City supply house to help expand his brewery.

The Church Brew Works is an amazing structure, with the most breathtaking element the position of the brew house on the altar. Because the altar was built as a centerpiece of the church, the steel and copper tanks gleaming in the celestial blue backdrop is nothing less than captivating. This extraordinary view is only paralleled by the quality and taste of their beer.

The following are some of the current Church Brew Works Beers as described by their Brewmasters:

Celestial Gold:

This pilsner style lager is golden in color with a light, bubbly effervescence. From the start, you will notice a fine hop aroma and a light malt taste. Celestial Gold has been known to induce Celestial Bliss!!

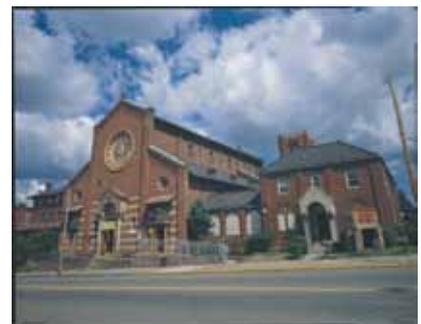
Pipe Organ Pale Ale: Brewed with a hefty amount of pale malt and three kinds of American hops, this beer is a medium-bodied, dry-hopped ale with a malt sweetness from the use of caramel malts. Balanced and sure to please, the Pipe Organ pale Ale finishes crisp and citrusy.

Pious Monk Dunkel: This dark style lager was first brewed in Munich, Germany over 150 years ago. Our version is fairly dark in color, but don't be afraid: the Pious Monk Dunkel is the perfect example that not all darker beers are strong! The body is surprisingly mellow and the alcohol content is low. It has a wonderful clean and roasty aroma and finishes crisp and clean as a lager should. This beer is a multiple medal winning lager!

The above are available by the case at participating distributors around the region.

Rotating Blast Furnace Stout:

Today there are many different variations of stouts all over the world. To celebrate this diversity, we constantly rotate our stout selections. Our past rotations included stouts brewed with un-traditional ingredients such as espresso, vanilla, and coconut. We might be brewing an old favorite or experimenting with a new batch, so ask what's on tap. Drink it slowly and savor the rich flavors -we know you won't be disappointed!



Millennium Trippel: Also available in bottles

The Millennium Trippel is light in color and highly carbonated. It has a fruit-like aroma, and the flavor is somewhat sweet and malty. Some say it has the look and feel similar to champagne, thus making this a great beer for celebration!

ThunderHop I.P.A.

The ThunderHop I.P.A. has an intense hopiness, flavor and aroma. We chose to use two varieties of American hops in the brewing process. The color is copper to amber and the aroma is noticeably hoppy due to the use of Glaciers in the dry hop process. You will also pick up a complexity from fruit-like esters. The body is big and malty with some caramel sweetness.

Cherry Quadzilla:

The Cherry Quadzilla is a full-bodied Belgian ale that is amber in color with some red hues. You will notice lots of fruit-like esters and a bread-like maltiness with a lingering caramel sweetness. As the Cherry Quadzilla warms, the complexity increases and the flavor becomes fuller.

Herbal American Wheat:

The Herbal American Wheat an American-style wheat ale -- with a twist. We added a pound of secret herbs per barrel to make the beer extra refreshing. The base is roughly 50% wheat malt, very lightly hopped and fermented with our house ale yeast. After fermentation, we infused the finished product with herbs and made sure it was carbonated generously.

Mad Brewer Maibock:

The Mad Brewer Maibock was the Silver Medal winner in 1999 and 2000, Bronze Medal winner in 2001, and the Gold Medal Winner in 2005 at the Great American Beer Festival in the German Bock category. A bock beer is required by German law to start at 17 Plato. For those who are interested, Plato is a measurement of the sugar content before fermentation. It is a very malty lager beer with medium hop bitterness. A maibock is a light to amber colored bock beer and is very similar to a Helles/pale bock. Maibocks were originally brewed for the coming of spring, hence the name Mai (German for May). The Mad Brewer Maibock is medium amber in color. Though similar in color to our Pipe Organ Pale Ale, it is very different in character. Don't let it get you though; it's a very strong beer at about 7% alcohol. It has a very clean and malty nose. The hop bitterness is evident, but not dominant. The Mad Brewer Maibock will finish quite full and have a delicate sweetness.

Unholy Matrimony:

How about the unnatural union of rye and wheat? The Unholy

Matrimony pours blonde and foamy. The extra carbonation is to aid the aroma. You should smell spicy citrus and fresh scents. When you taste it, you will first notice its dry rye spiciness which yields to its smooth, peppery citrus finish. The wheat and citrus get along pretty well together, and some added spelt provides some extra mouthfeel to hold all the flavors up.

Saaz Monster:

This is a Lager beer packed full of Czech Saaz hops. We decided to not filter this beer so as to not jeopardize the wonderful hop flavor and aroma. If you carefully swirl the glass and take a big whiff, you will get a full but delicate fresh hop aroma from only the best noble hop - Czech Saaz. We used nearly 2 lbs of hops per barrel of beer, which is not far off from what we use in our IPA, though this beer has half the bitterness. The flavor profile is spicy hops up front with a clean malt finish and pleasing bitterness.

Coconut Stout:

Our next stout in our rotating Blast Furnace Stout series is a Coconut Stout. We noticed in the last four years that our stout sales decline in the summer months. Most people don't want to struggle with a nice thick stout in the summer months when they are looking to cool off. I, however, love a nice stout in the hot months, so I felt a compromise was in order. When I think of summer, three things pop into my mind: baseball, the 4th of July, and coconut. All right, maybe coconut doesn't make me think of summer, but I like it and I'm in charge now so let's see if we can shake things up a bit. This recipe is a twist on my Milk Stout that debuted back in November. It is the basic recipe for the Milk Stout except I added a considerable amount more chocolate malt and scaled back the roast barley. The coconut comes into play in the serving tank. I added fifty pounds of unsweetened coconut flakes into the conditioning tank and serving tank. When the cooling jackets are turned on, the oils from the flakes will mix with the brew, giving the beer a subtle hint of coconut. When tasting this beer you will notice the chocolate malt up front on your tongue. This will give way to a subtle taste of coconut in the finish and in the back of your throat. The hop bill was kept low so that it would not overpower the sweetness and the coconut. I hope through this beer that everyone will think of coconut when they think of summer.

Steve Sloan, Head Brewer

Hometown: Born in Waterford/Pontiac MI, just north of Detroit.

Favorite CBW Brew: Big Belgian fan so I would have to say the Trippel at the moment. Enjoy lagers too so the Gold is a nice session beer.

Brew you'd love to see us brew: A series of Saisons, with seasonal spices and wild yeasts. And a Polish Pils for summer.

Education: Undergrad Kalamazoo College (Chemistry), Masters from University of Florida (Chemistry), Diploma in Brewing from the Institute of Brewing and Distilling out of London, Brewing Microbiology Course at Siebel Institute of Technology.

Background as a brewer: First brewing job was with Kona Brewing Company in Hawaii as a shift brewer in 1996. Decision to become a brewer: I was exposed to craft beer while going to undergrad in Kalamazoo and drinking plenty of Bell's and spending a few summers playing and coaching American football in Germany where I really found a passion for better beer. After grad school, ended up in Hawaii where I was trying my hand at teaching and coaching. Ended up meeting the head brewer for Kona Brewing who was looking for help. From day one I knew that the craft brewing industry was the perfect fit. Good mix of using my science background for consistency and quality while at the same time allowing a lot of creativity in problem solving and recipe development. Couldn't imagine doing anything else. I feel fortunate that I stumbled upon this industry, which has had such huge growth.



Ending up at the CBW: After John Harvard's closed in 2008, I did some part time work with Church Brew Works before heading out to California. I was working for a great company in Firestone Walker in a beautiful area in CA, but when I was contacted by Sean about the position, I was very excited since my wife and I love Pittsburgh. The Church is one of the coolest pubs in world, and the brand has a great deal of potential.

Matt Moninger, Assistant Brewer

Hometown: Greene County, PA

Favorite CBW Brew: Zwarte Piet's Xmas

Education: University of Pittsburgh-Bachelors in Religious Studies

Background as a brewer: Homebrewer since 1997, CBW Bottling line / operations

Decision to become a brewer: It is the only job I can think of in which you get to make beer!

Ending up at the CBW: Friends in high places!

Justin Viale, Brewer

Hometown: Knoxville, TN

Favorite CBW Brew: I go in phases; right now it's the ThunderHop IPA.

Education: BA in Anthropology from the University of Tennessee

Background as a brewer: Homebrewer for three years, then volunteer at Moccasin Bend Brewing Co.

Decision to become a brewer: First, because beer is fantastic! Second, I like the work; after a day of brewing, something is made that other people get to enjoy.

Ending up at the CBW: After interviewing at breweries from (literally) coast to coast, I was offered a part-time position

that grew into full time by the end of the first week. I feel very fortunate at the opportunity I was given to learn all aspects of the Brewery very quickly, and Pittsburgh has been a great new city for me and my wife.

Steven O'Neal

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA

Favorite CBW Brew: Hefe Weizen

Education: Taylor Allderdice High School

Background as a brewer: Homebrewer

Decision to become a brewer: Love of good beer

Ending up at the CBW: At first, it was my second job as a busboy, and I was offered a job in the brewery and have been here ever since (eight years).

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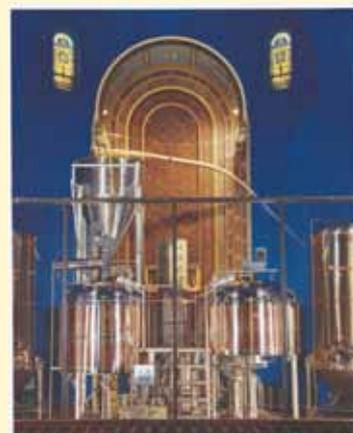
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Craft Beers - Victory Brewing... A True Success Story

By: Joyce Campisi



Ron Barchet and Bill Covaleski's journey began in 1973, when they were just two fifth-graders boarding a school bus on their way to a new school. The two quickly became friends and remained so, even as they grew up and went to college on opposite coasts. And that's how the story of Victory Brewing Company began.

After college Bill pursued a career as an art director, and Ron began his career as a financial analyst working on government defense contracts. Just months out of college, Bill's appreciation of good beer and access to his father's home brewing equipment inspired him to explore the hobby. That same year, 1985, Bill gave Ron a home brewing kit as a Christmas gift. With that, both Bill and Ron developed their love of the craft, and a friendly rivalry grew between the two. The good-natured competition pushed Bill and Ron to become accomplished home brewers, and as they both grew disillusioned with their jobs in the corporate world, they suddenly realized their combined skill and love of brewing could pave the path to successful careers as brewers. They joined forces and became two good friends just brewing beer...you can feel the love!

Ron left his job as a financial analyst and started an apprenticeship at Baltimore Brewing Company (BBC), working under a Dutch-born and German-trained brewer named Theo DeGroen. After working there for nearly a year, Ron had the necessary prerequisites to move on to study at the Technical University of Munich at Weihenstephan.

Immediately upon Ron's departure, Bill took over his emptied role at BBC. While Ron was enhancing his German brewing knowledge, Bill was expanding the line of beers produced at the BBC to include several German specialty beers, many of which went on to win multiple awards at the Great American Beer Festival. After his time at BBC, Bill completed his brewing

studies by traveling to Munich, Germany to attend Doemens Institute.

After Ron's year of education in Munich, he returned stateside and took a role at Old Dominion Brewing Company in Virginia. Over the course of four years as the brewmaster there, he helped to increase production from 1,500 barrels annually to nearly 15,000.

With knowledge, experience and a love of quality beer in place, Bill and Ron decided they were ready to pursue this crazy career, and they opened their own brewery near where they first met in Pennsylvania. It has become a right brain/left brain operation as they complement each other with their different skill sets.

Victory Brewing Company opened its doors to the public on Feb. 15, 1996. What was once a Pepperidge Farm factory became home to a 142-seat restaurant, 70-foot-long bar and a full-scale brewery. In its first year, Victory Brewing Company brewed 1,700 barrels of beer. Since then, Victory has increased the size of the restaurant, adding 200 seats. The brewery has also expanded, producing 82,000 barrels of beer in 2011. As loyal craft beer drinkers continue to show their dedication to flavorful, quality beer, Victory plans to continue its own growth. Onward to Victory!

Victory Brewing's current production is 82,000 barrels. They brew eleven beers year-round: HopDevil, Prima Pils, Golden Monkey, Headwaters Pale Ale, Storm King Stout, Hop Wallop, Victory Lager, Donnybrook Stout, V-12, Helios Ale, Festbier, and nine seasonal and specialty beers: Moonglow Weizenbock, Sunrise Weissbier, Whirlwind Witbier, Old Horizontal, St. Boisterous, St. Victorious, Baltic Thunder, Yakima Glory, Summer Love Ale.

Victory is distributed in 29 states and in the United Kingdom and has successfully been on the market for 16 years.

Later in 2012, their current brewery in Downingtown, PA will have reached capacity at current rate of growth. In order to keep up with consumer demand for full-flavored, high quality beer, they're forging ahead with expansion plans. "Our thirsty fans have been asking us for more," said Bill Covaleski, President and Co-Brewmaster of Victory Brewing Company. "In order to give them what they want, we need more space to make it happen."

So in 2013, Victory will be opening a second brewery in Chester County, PA, which will allow them to continue to create new, innovative beers and add additional employment opportunities. The new brewery location was chosen because of its similarities to our home in Downingtown. Just as the Downingtown brewery recycled an old Pepperidge Farm factory, the expansion brewery is being built within an existing complex in Parkesburg, PA. Their home brewery is situated a mere 14 miles from the headwaters of the east branch of the Brandywine Creek, and the Parkesburg brewery will be just 17

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miles from the headwaters of the west branch.

Environmental impact and water quality were major considerations for this expansion. Nearly eight months of water-quality research found that the mineral composition of the west branch water is nearly identical to the east branch.

Bill said “In keeping with our “locally brewed, locally loved” motto, the choice to expand was not made lightly. The Parkesburg location will allow us to produce even more locally brewed and locally loved beer.”

“Growing in to a new facility will have some growing pains,” said Ron Barchet, CEO and Co-Brewmaster of Victory Brewing Company. “But once we are up and running, it will allow us endless opportunities to experiment with new flavors and re-create old favorites.” What most people don’t realize is that brewing in America is much more liberating than Europe. Victory feels blessed that they have that creative freedom.

In our exclusive interview with Bill, he stated that women are the largest growing market for craft beer. Bill definitely has a passion and love for the craft; he loves the ability to be creative with flavors now instead of images. He definitely loves the work and craft involved in brewing beer. It’s alchemy; you add ingredients and things magically appear! Bill definitely has passion and respect for the industry, and that shines through in the quality and success of the beer. Bill and Ron’s passion shows as they have definitely fallen in love with the people and the culture of craft brewing! Nightwire wishes Ron and Bill, partners at Victory Brewing, continued success.

Some of their most popular beers available here locally are:

HopDevil - Menacingly delicious, with the powerful, aromatic punch of whole flower American hops backed up by rich, German malts. HopDevil Ale® offers a roller coaster ride of flavor, coasting to a smooth finish that satisfies fully.

Golden Monkey - Strong and sensual, this golden, Belgian-style ale glows. The richness of German malts and Belgian yeast are tempered by a sparkling approach and overall light body. Abundant herbal, fruity notes make Golden Monkey® one to savor.

Headwaters Pale Ale - Our brewery is blessed with exceptionally pure water that travels just over a dozen wooded miles to reach our brewery. With this pristine water we have transformed floral American hops and subtle, crisp German malts into a refreshing delight.

Prima Pilsner - Heaps of hops give this pale lager a bracing, herbal bite over layers of soft and smooth malt flavor. This refreshing combination of tastes makes Prima a classy quencher in the tradition of the great pilsners of Europe.

Summer Love Ale - With the sublime, earthy familiarity of noble, European hops backed up by fresh and clean German malts, Summer Love Ale® ends with a surprising burst of lemony refreshment from fistfuls of American whole flower hops. Love Summer, now.

Be sure and stop by The Hop House to try one of the Victory beers (mention Nightwire and receive “free” merchandise (while supplies last) plus register to win a grand prize giveaways) The Hop House – Greentree, 2749 Noblestown Road, Pittsburgh, 15205 North Hills, Ross Twp – 5510 Babcock Blvd, - Pittsburgh, 15237

Victory by Numbers

Current annual production: 82,000 barrels
 Square footage of brewery: 100,000 square feet
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Seasonal and specialty beers: 9 – Moonglow Weizenbock, Sunrise Weissbier, Whirlwind Witbier, Old Horizontal, St. Boisterous, St. Victorious, Baltic Thunder, Yakima Glory, Summer Love Ale.

Number of brewery and corporate employees: 48
 Number of restaurant employees: 170

Restaurant: 300 seats, 60 foot-long-bar, 24 rotating taps
 Victory Brewing Company is located at
 420 Acorn Lane
 Downingtown, PA 19335.



Grilled Shishito Peppers



Beet Salad

The anticipation had been killing me for an old favorite to come to the 'burgh. If you've ever been to Greensburg and eaten at Vallozzi's Restaurant, you'll understand my excitement about the recent opening of the Vallozzi's in Market Square. I've been waiting and waiting for this restaurant to open. In a perfect Downtown location, on 5th Avenue, across from the Fairmont and practically in Market Square, Vallozzi's brings the very best of Greensburg right to the heart of our city with their Italian specialties and some nice surprises. Nightwire, visited and I can't wait to tell you about our adventure!

The relaxed and comfortable atmosphere is only overshadowed by the expanse of the bar and the smells wafting from the kitchen. All pretensions aside, Vallozzi's is a family establishment and after your first visit, you'll feel like you belong, whether it's for a quick bite before a ball game, a drink and an appetizer before a show or a luscious, luxurious dinner date. The menu is extensive and includes many specialties and seasonal offerings. We started our dining experience with Grilled Shishito Peppers which are seasoned only with sea salt, lemon and olive oil--I think they are perfectly okay to eat with your fingers! The simple preparation of this unusual pepper will have you wondering where to get them to grill your own. There is no skimping on ingredients at Vallozzi's, which you will quickly discover through the fresh salads and antipasto choices. Chef Josiah Henry has a history with noted restaurateur Ernie Vallozzi. He's excited to bring the history of great cooking with great ingredients to Pittsburgh. We also had a cheese plate from the Fresh Mozzarella Bar which can be tailored to any favorites or selections. The website is worth a look for this alone. As a huge fan of Italian meats, the Prosciutto di Parma was excellent as a meat choice. Next we sampled the Polenta with a Sausage Ragout topped with a fried egg--so delicious! I highly recommend this choice not just as an appetizer but as a light bite at the bar. A Yellow Beet Salad rounded out our appetizer and salad courses. The yellow beets were as delicious as they were colorful.

Vallozzi's has been serving up their signature pizza for over 50 years, and I'm very excited to but to be able to get the pizza close to home. It's definitely like no other: a pastry-like crust with the freshest ingredients atop- HEAVEN. Chef Henry didn't want us to miss out, so we had a pizza course before our main dishes arrived! We sampled the Traditional, Spinach, and Sicilian. I could not pick a favorite; I loved them all. I swear

this is why the phrase "to die for was" coined: heavenly crust! You must try a pizza at Vallozzi's. You must. Other places in the Greensburg area have tried to copy the recipe and have failed miserably. There is only one Vallozzi pizza crust. Again, you must try this! Our server, Brett, paired wines perfectly with each course. The sparkling Lambrusco was excellent and so different! At Vallozzi's we found their service to be better than any Downtown restaurant. Our server had a very pleasant demeanor and extensive knowledge of both the wines and the menu, which certainly made our experience stellar. You gotta love a great server. In my mind, it can make or break a great night. The Nightwire crew was having an awesome night.

Just when we were savoring the last bites of delicious pizza, Maryland Crab Cakes with giant lump crab were presented. Once again I feel like we've found a restaurant that uses magic to hold together the crab cakes. We were actually fighting for the last bites. Next came the Osso Bucco, and as I always say- if you have a choice of Osso Bucco- take it. Vallozzi's version rivals any other. Brett pointed out the bone marrow and even brought me a little spoon for capturing the delicacy. Don't let the best part go to waste and don't be shy to ask



Crab Cakes



Pizza



Lobster Ravioli



Osso Buco

for that little spoon! The Lobster Ravioli was our next dish presented, and it was very rich, very homemade, and very delicious. Prepared with brown butter, crimini mushrooms, caramelized shallot, and fresh herbs, this was definitely a memorable offering. It would be hard to pick an actual favorite, a real number one from the things we were served on this night, but the Branzino fish, presented whole, as it should be, was so absolutely beautiful and delectable, perfectly prepared, it would definitely be in the top two! Now, don't fear a whole fish. Brett offered to debone the delicacy. You can do it: remove the head, open up the fish from the middle of the filet, pull the bone from the spine and there you have it. There are nice videos online if you want to see it before you make an attempt. I love a Mediterranean Bass served whole in an Italian restaurant. I think it's very romantic to prepare a bite for your date paired with an excellent white.

Coffee was served in a French press, and I could almost hear Tim breathe a sigh of relief. His biggest complaint about most restaurant experiences is that after having great food, you are served a sub-par coffee. Vallozzi's uses Nicholas Coffee from Market Square. I was not disappointed with the delicious desserts bestowed upon us on this evening: Cannoli and Bread Pudding. No matter how full I am, I could never pass up a bit of cannoli. Both the Cannoli and Bread Pudding were "to die for." Don't pass up dessert, and remember, there's always "to go"!

I hope you're getting a true feeling for a brand new establishment rich with history of serving its patrons some of

the finest, fresh food in the area. Whenever we were remotely close to Greensburg, I loved to meet friends there or take old friends to a new place. Vallozzi's is a fine dining establishment for everyone.

(Around the corner, they operate a Mattiniero, which translates to "early riser" in Italian, a place where you can have a coffee, pastry, or even lunch such as soups and salads as well as sandwiches.)

Vallozzi's is open for lunch, and offers not only soups and salads but pasta, sandwiches, entrees, pizza and the mozzarella bar. Their famous Turtle Bisque has me wanting to drop by for sure! A nice size bar with excellent wine offerings and premium liquor is a great place to meet up with friends or decompress at Happy Hour.

Nightwire is ecstatic to welcome Vallozzi's to town and to give all of our readers a little taste of what's in store. They're located at 220 5th Avenue in the heart of Downtown. The website highlights the extensive menu, is certainly worth a look and makes it very easy to make a reservation.

Relax, enjoy, "mangia"! And as always, tell 'em your friends at Nightwire sent you!

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Branzino Fish



Bread Pudding

Meadows Entertainment

Let's have some fun and party all summer long at The Meadows. This summer The Meadows Outdoor Concert Series and Events definitely has something for everyone. Tickets can be purchased at www.ticketmaster.com or by phone at 1.800.745.3000 and at participating Giant Eagle locations. (Dates, performers and events subject to change.) One of the big events this summer at The Meadows will take place on June 29 – when Buckin'B Cattle Company rolls into The Meadows Racetrack & Casino with Championship Bull Riding. Show starts at 7:30. Come watch top bull riders from the Eastern US ride and compete for cash prizes. These professions are sure to provide heart stopping, fast paced entertainment for the entire family..... Tickets are available at Ticketmaster.. Mark your calendars and come out and enjoy the thrill and excitement of bull riding... See you there!!

On June 23 – It's Paul Rodgers of Bad Company, Free & The Firm - tickets are on sale now!

July 7 – You don't want to miss Dennis DeYoung: The Music of Styx with fireworks after the show, tickets are on sale now!

August 11 – Chuck Negron, formerly of Three Dog Night and Blood, Sweat & Tears – Tickets go on sale 6/16/12.

September 8 – Michael McDonald – Tickets go on sale 7/14/12.

Their exciting Event lineup is as follows:

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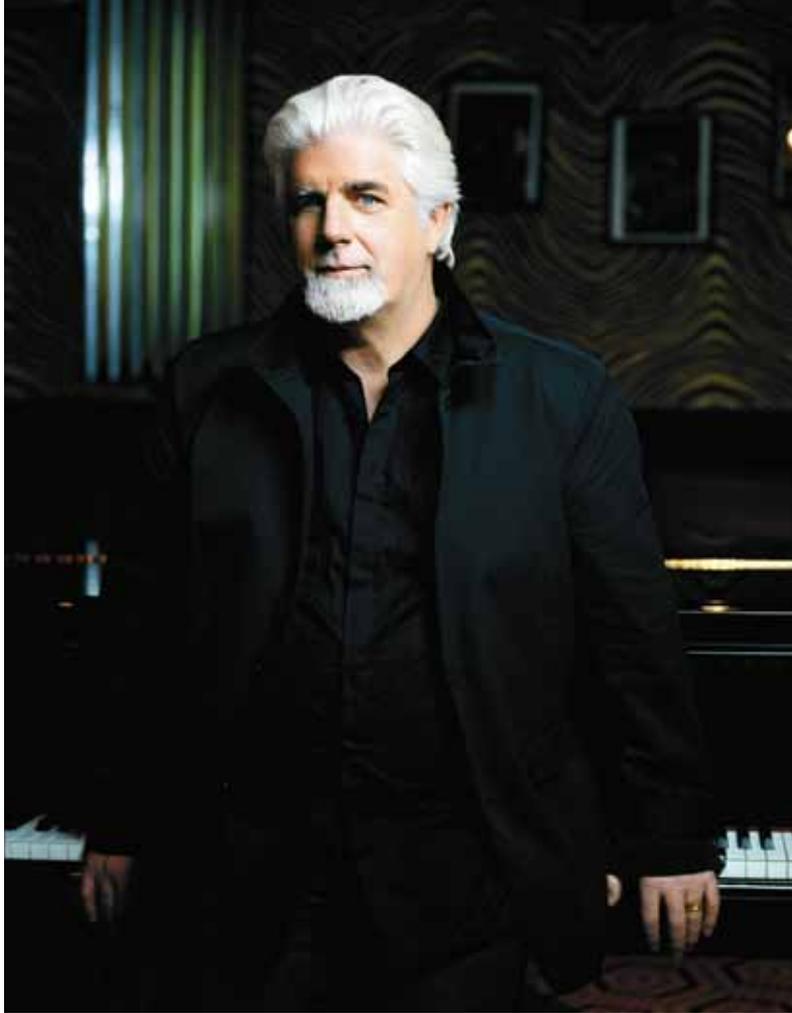
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Regardless of where the destination is, women can depend on Hadaki's On the Run iPad Messenger and City Tote to get the job done and still look stylish. Travelers can learn more about Hadaki's collection at www.hadakishop.com



Whether you are trekking through the mountains for your summer vacation or relaxing on the beach - Hadaki's line of totes make it easy to carry all of your necessities while making a BOLD fashion statement.

Hadaki's Newest Collection Turns Traveling into a Fashion Statement - Functional travel accessories make it easy to travel anywhere.

From a day at the beach or a week-long cruise to a business trip or family vacation, it seems women travel all the time, which means they need reliable travel accessories they can count on. Thankfully, Hadaki's latest travel accessories are dependable, functional and even stylish. With bold new patterns such as Jazz Cobalt and Jazz Ruby, Hadaki's collection is perfect for traveling women of all ages.

For those popular iPads or other electronic tablets, Hadaki offers a solution that allows women to carry their favorite device in a safe, stylish messenger. With a padded main compartment, the On the Run iPad Messenger (MSRP \$50) is perfect for walking through airports, cruise ships, hotels and to business meetings or the beach. For added storage, the Messenger has a small zippered pocket underneath the magnetic flap and a large slip pocket on the exterior's reverse side. With an adjustable strap, the On the Run iPad Messenger makes it easy for any woman to keep her prized gadget with her at all times no matter where her final destination is. For clothes, beach gear, paperwork for that business meeting or activities to keep kids occupied while traveling, Hadaki's City



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Dollar Bank 3 Rivers Arts Festival

The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust proudly announces plans for the 53rd annual Dollar Bank Three Rivers Arts Festival, set to take place Friday, June 1, to Sunday, June 10, 2012, in Point State Park, Hertz Gateway Center, and throughout the Cultural District.

The 2012 Festival highlights include the return of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, a new multimedia show by Squonk Opera, the premiere of Bluegrass Day on June 9th, and expansion of the Artist Market and greening initiatives.

The opening weekend of the Dollar Bank Three Rivers Arts Festival will be enriched by the 2nd annual Pittsburgh JazzLive International Festival (June 1-3), which is produced by the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust. The indoor/outdoor jazz festival helps kick-off a 10-day celebration of the arts in Pittsburgh. More information is available at PittsburghJazzLive.com.

"This is what the arts can do for a community," says J. Kevin McMahon, President and CEO of the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust. "It's a special opportunity to bookend the Arts Festival with two uniquely-American musical legacies – hundreds of jazz musicians kick things off with the Pittsburgh JazzLive International Festival on opening weekend and the best of bluegrass music is presented on Bluegrass Day at Dollar Bank Three Rivers Arts Festival on June 9th. It's a testament to community partners, especially presenting sponsor Dollar Bank, that all of this diverse programming is possible."

"Dollar Bank is pleased to continue a long tradition of providing community events in downtown Pittsburgh," said Joseph B. Smith, Senior Vice President Marketing, Dollar Bank. "We are especially delighted that the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra will be returning this year."

Music Director Manfred Honeck will once again showcase world-renowned talent to the Festival crowd.

The most current schedule of attractions is available at www.3riversartsfest.org.

This year's Festival enhancements and attractions include:

Environmental Responsibility

The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust is proud to continue producing the Dollar Bank Three Rivers Arts Festival with sustainable environmental practices, which have earned the Festival a GOLD level accreditation with Pennsylvania Resources Council's Zero Waste Pittsburgh initiative. Generous support from Colcom Foundation allows the Festival to continue leading practices like a world-class composting and recycling system – one of the first and largest in the nation, which helps divert more than 80% of trash from landfills annually – and efforts like free bicycle valet service and water stations that encourage refilling personal containers.

The Green Machine

The Green Machine is a new on-site real-time indicator of Festival attendees' greening efforts as well as a fun education center for visitors' looking to learn more about the Festival's promotion of environmental responsibility. The walk-through area includes a diversion counter, which visually illustrates the

amount of waste diverted (bottles not used because of free water dispensed, volume of composted materials, and volume of recycled materials) from landfills. Additionally, the Green Machine will offer interesting interactive activities and games that reinforce the importance of environmental sustainability.

3Rs: The Art of Reuse, Recycle, and Repurpose
Demonstrating the convergence of art and sustainability, this project challenges artists to reimagine waste management receptacles as canvases for reclaimed materials used in an artistic way. The originality and boldness of the designs attract visitors; once there, the Festival's "Green Team" on-site educators explain the benefits of recycling and composting, allowing the Festival to continue diverting more than 80% of potential waste from landfills. The reimagined receptacles are placed throughout the Festival footprint in Point State Park, the Cultural District, and Hertz Gateway Center.

Paddle Without Pollution

Paddle Without Pollution partners with Dollar Bank Three Rivers Arts Festival on Saturday, June 9th for a special clean-up event of Pittsburgh's three rivers near Point State Park. Paddle Without Pollution's watershed stewardship initiative addresses the litter and other debris that degrades the rivers, streams, and lakes of Southwestern Pennsylvania. PWP's innovative approach – utilizing kayaks, canoes, and non-motorized boats to reach otherwise unreachable debris while being sensitive to the environment – will remove 5 to 10 tons of garbage from local rivers, lakes, and streams in 2012. Anyone interested in participating in the clean-up efforts on Saturday, June 9th should register at PaddleWithoutPollution.com/events.

Visual Arts Artists Market

This year's Artists Market footprint is expanded in order to provide opportunity for more than 300 artists to participate and to enhance the experience for visitors. In recent years, Point State Park played host to Artists Market booths only on weekends; now, the Park hosts more total artist booths and does so during all ten days of the Festival. Booths are also added along Penn Avenue extension near Hertz Gateway Center. Changes within the Hertz Gateway Center plaza area increase free space to create a safer and more comfortable browsing space, with a large number of booths remaining. The Artists Market is one of the Festival's cornerstones and is among the most-anticipated attractions every year. It is comprised of artists carefully selected by a distinguished review panel and presents completely handmade work available for public purchase. The 2012 Artists Market received more artist applications than any year in the Festival's history. The review panel comprised Jill Larson, Founder of FE Gallery; Artist and Curator Rick Bach; and Ellen Fleurov, Director, Silver Eye Gallery.

Juried Visual Art Exhibition

The annual Juried Visual Art Exhibition, held at 805-807 Liberty Avenue in the Trust Arts Education Center (James E. Rohr Building) is expanded as well, making room for 79 total accepted pieces. Several large scale three dimensional works allow the show to flow between the building's 3rd and 4th floors. The Juried Visual Art Exhibition is curated by moxideDada. Jurors include Linda Benedict-Jones, Curator of Photography, Carnegie Museum of Art; Murray Horne, Curator, The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust; and Michael Olyjnik, Co-Director, Mattress Factory.

Activities

Gateway to the Arts

In addition to artist demonstrations and hands-on activities available annually at the Festival, Gateway to the Arts presents comprehensive weekend attractions in three separate tents in the Giant Eagle Creativity Zone. The "Main Stage," "StoryTime Tent," and "ArtMaking Tent" offer educational shows for all ages ranging from culturally-diverse music performances to storytelling to collaborative painting projects.



Performing Arts

Squonk Opera

Pittsburgh native Squonk Opera returns to perform an all new multimedia show on June 8, 9, and 10. Celebrating 20 years since their first show; which featured choreographed cranes, roaring earth-movers, and screaming machine shears in a Pittsburgh junkyard; the ensemble of musicians and artists presents a live music and multimedia theatrical spectacle on the back of a flat-bed truck near Stanwix Street.

Bluegrass Day

The premier of Bluegrass Day at Dollar Bank Three Rivers Arts Festival, slated for June 9th, is made possible with generous support from Colcom Foundation. A trio of distinguished bluegrass bands – Del McCoury Band, Peter Rowan Bluegrass Band, and Greensky Bluegrass – lead the celebration of the American music genre. Regional and local bluegrass musicians join the effort on Second Stage in Hertz Gateway Center. Colcom Foundation's support also allows the bluegrass element of Dollar Bank Three Rivers Arts Festival to extend beyond June 9th. A series of free bluegrass concerts will take place in Agnes R. Katz Plaza throughout the summer, to be announced later, produced by the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust and Dollar Bank Three Rivers Arts Festival.

Daily Music Lineup



Friday, June 1st – The Wailers

Together with Bob Marley, the Wailers have sold in excess of 250 million albums worldwide. As the greatest living exponents of Jamaica's reggae tradition, the Wailers have played to an estimated 24 million people across the globe. Also, music from: Wizdom

Saturday, June 2nd – Kathleen Edwards

On tour supporting her album, *Voyageur*, Kathleen Edwards continues to receive critical praise for her music. The New York Times says her work "...embodies an evolving idea about what roots music can be." Also, music from: Paul Luc

Sunday, June 3rd – Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra

The Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra provides musical experiences at the highest level of expression to enrich the community and to satisfy the needs and preferences of its audiences. Also, music from: Big With Seed

Monday, June 4th – The Boogie Hustlers

After nearly a decade of performing and recording together, the Boogie Hustlers are recognized as a staple of the region's music scene. Set to release their fourth album in late summer 2012, the band continues to meld original songs firmly anchored in the groove, yet garnished with numerous stylistic influences. Also, music from: Silencio and Pete Bush and the Hoi Palloi

Tuesday, June 5th – Dawes

The Los Angeles-based band offers a blend of singer/songwriter

reflection with folk, country, ringing guitars, soaring harmonies, and heartfelt melodies. Constant touring and collaboration with some of rock 'n' roll's greatest artists has translated to staggering growth and evolution while still manifesting a distinctive, unforgettable voice. Also, music from: Sara Watkins and Caleb Pogyor & The Talkers

Wednesday, June 6th – Timothy B. Schmit

Groundbreaking vocalist, songwriter, and bass player Timothy B. Schmit – well-known for his work as a member of The Eagles and Poco – performs with his band songs from his fifth solo album, *Expando*, as well as gems by The Eagles and Poco. Also, music from: City Dwelling Nature Seekers

Thursday, June 7th – LP

Los Angeles-based singer-songwriter-artist LP is a gripping performer with a powerful, graceful voice. LP also wields a rockin' ukulele in front of a dynamic, versatile band. Her musical gifts, combined with a special spirit and exuberance, have the power to truly reach people. Supporting act for LP is Jonathan Richman, an internationally-revered singer/songwriter famous for his guileless honesty and playfully catchy compositions. Also, music from: The Red Western

Friday, June 8th – Carolina Chocolate Drops

The GRAMMY Award winning trio has proven that the old-time, fiddle and banjo-based music they have so scrupulously researched and passionately perform can be a living, breathing, ever-evolving sound. Also, music from: Boulevard of the Allies

Saturday, June 9th – "Bluegrass Day" featuring: Del McCoury Band

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Breakfast in Moleland

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

Code Word for Sex

A husband and wife decided they needed to use "code" to indicate that they wanted to have sex without letting their children in on it. They decided on the word Typewriter. One day the husband told his five year old daughter, "Go tell your mommy that daddy needs to type a letter". The child told her mother what her dad said, and her mom responded, "Tell your daddy that he can't type a letter right now cause there is a red ribbon in the typewriter." The child went back to tell her father what mommy said. A few days later the mom told the daughter, "Tell daddy that he can type that letter now." The child told her father, returned to her mother and announced, "Daddy said never mind with the typewriter, he already wrote the letter by hand."

A New You:

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

Hospital Chart Bloopers (Actual writings from hospital charts)

1. The patient refused autopsy.
2. The patient has no previous history of suicides.
3. Patient has left white blood cells at another hospital.
4. She has no rigors or shaking chills, but her husband states she was very hot in bed last night.
5. Patient has chest pain if she lies on her left side for over a year.
6. On the second day the knee was better and on the third day it disappeared.
7. The patient is tearful and crying constantly. She also

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appears to be depressed.

8. The patient has been depressed since she began seeing me in 1993.
9. Discharge status: Alive but without permission.
10. Healthy appearing decrepit 69-year old male, mentally alert but forgetful.
11. Patient had waffles for breakfast and anorexia for lunch.
12. She is numb from her toes down.
13. While in ER, she was examined, x-rated and sent home.
14. The skin was moist and dry.
15. Occasional, constant infrequent headaches.
16. Patient was alert and unresponsive.
17. Rectal examination revealed a normal size thyroid.
18. She stated that she had been constipated for most of her life, until she got a divorce.
19. I saw your patient today, who is still under our car for physical therapy.
20. Both breasts are equal and reactive to light and accommodation.
21. Examination of genitalia reveals that he is circus sized.
22. The lab test indicated abnormal lover function.
23. Skin: somewhat pale but present.
24. The pelvic exam will be done later on the floor.

Should children witness childbirth?

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

Blonde Joke: Helllllooooo

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

Get Out Of The Car!

This is a true account recorded in the Police

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

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whisk broom!!!!” “IMPOSSIBLE !!” said the groom broom. Are you ready for this? Brace yourself; this is going to hurt. “WE HAVEN’T EVEN SWEEPED TOGETHER!” Sounds to me like she’s been “sweeping” around!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

13 Things Pms Stands For:

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

Men

Two very elderly friends, Max and Wally, met in the park to feed the pigeons, watch the squirrels and discuss world problems. One day Wally didn’t show up. Max didn’t think much about it, figured maybe he had a cold or something. But after Wally hadn’t shown up for a week or so, Max really got worried. However, the only time they ever got together anymore (they used to play a lot of golf together) was at the park, and Max couldn’t remember where Wally lived, so he was unable to

find out what had happened to him. A month passed and Max figured old Wally had gone to his heavenly reward, but one day Max approached the park and, lo and behold, there sat Wally! Max was very excited and happy to see him and told him so! Then he said, “For crying out loud, Wally, what happened to you???” Wally replied, “I have been in jail.” “Jail???” cried Max!! “What in the world for???” “Well,” Wally said, “You know Sue, that cute little blonde waitress at the coffee shop where we sometimes get coffee?” Yeah” said Max, “I remember her. What about her?” “Well one day last month she got mad at me and to get even, she charged me with rape. I was so proud of what everyone would think an old fart like me could still do, that when I got into court, I pled ‘Guilty’. The judge then took a good look at me and gave me 30 days for perjury.”

Dui North Carolina Style:

Only a person in North Carolina could think of this. From the county where drunk driving is considered a sport, comes this true story. Recently a routine police patrol parked outside a bar in Kinston, North Carolina. After last call the officer noticed a man leaving the bar so apparently intoxicated that he could barely walk. The man stumbled around the parking lot for a few minutes, with the officer quietly observing. After what seemed an eternity in which he tried his keys on five different vehicles, the man managed to find his car and fall into it. He sat there for a few minutes as a number of other patrons left the bar and drove off. Finally he started the car, switched the wipers on and off--it was a fine, dry summer night--, flicked the blinkers on and off a couple of times, honked the horn and then switched



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on the lights. He moved the vehicle forward a few inches, reversed a little and then remained still for a few more minutes as some more of the other patrons' vehicles left. At last, when his was the only car left in the parking lot, he pulled out and drove slowly down the road. The police officer, having waited patiently all this time, now started up his patrol car, put on the flashing lights, promptly pulled the man over and administered a breathalyzer test. To his amazement, the breathalyzer indicated no evidence that the man had consumed any alcohol at all! Dumbfounded, the officer said, I'll have to ask you to accompany me to the police station. This breathalyzer equipment must be broken." "I doubt it," said the truly proud Redneck. "Tonight I'm the designated decoy."

Now We Know What To Do!

HOW TO CALL THE POLICE WHEN YOU'RE OLD AND DON'T MOVE FAST ANYMORE.

George Phillips of Meridian, Mississippi was going up to bed when his wife told him that he'd left the light on in the garden shed, which she could see from the bedroom window. George opened the back door to go turn off the light but saw that there were people in the shed stealing things. He phoned the police, who asked "Is someone in your house?" and he said "no". Then they said that all patrols were busy, and that he should simply lock his door and an officer would be along when available. George said, "Okay," hung up, counted to 30, and phoned the police again. "Hello, I just called you a few seconds ago because there were people in my shed. Well, you don't have to worry about them now cause I've just shot them all." Then he hung up. Within five minutes three police cars, an Armed Response unit, and an ambulance showed up at the Phillips' residence and caught the burglars red-handed. One of the Policemen said to George: "I thought you said that you'd shot them!" George said, "I thought you said there was nobody available!"

HOW DO YOU DECIDE WHO TO MARRY? (written by kids)

(1) You got to find somebody who likes the same stuff. Like, if you like sports, she should like it that you like sports, and she should keep the chips and dip coming.

-- Alan, age 10

(2) No person really decides before they grow up who they're going to marry. God decides it all way before, and you get to find out later who you're stuck with.

-- Kristen, age 10

WHAT IS THE RIGHT AGE TO GET MARRIED?

(1) Twenty-three is the best age because you know the person FOREVER by then.

-- Camille, age 10

(2) No age is good to get married at. You got to be a fool to get married.

-- Freddie, age 6 (very wise for his age)

HOW CAN A STRANGER TELL IF TWO PEOPLE ARE

MARRIED?

(1) You might have to guess, based on whether they seem to be yelling at the same kids.

-- Derrick, age 8

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOUR MOM AND DAD HAVE IN COMMON?

(1) Both don't want any more kids.

-- Lori, age 8

WHAT DO MOST PEOPLE DO ON A DATE?

(1) Dates are for having fun, and people should use them to get to know each other. Even boys have something to say if you listen long enough.

-- Lynnette, age 8 (isn't she a treasure)

(2) On the first date, they just tell each other lies and that usually gets them interested enough to go for a second date.

-- Martin, age 10

WHAT WOULD YOU DO ON A FIRST DATE THAT WAS TURNING SOUR?

(1) I'd run home and play dead. The next day I would call all the newspapers and make sure they wrote about me in all the dead columns.

-- Craig, age 9 (Hmmm Craig will probably have problems when he is older!)

WHEN IS IT OKAY TO KISS SOMEONE?

(1) When they're rich.

-- Pam, age 7

(2) The law says you have to be eighteen, so I wouldn't want to mess with that.

-- Curt, age 7

(3) The rule goes like this: If you kiss someone, then you should marry them and have kids with them. It's the right thing to do.

-- Howard, age 8

IS IT BETTER TO BE SINGLE OR MARRIED?

(1) I don't know which is better, but I'll tell you one thing. I'm never going to have s*x with my wife. I don't want to be all grossed out.

-- Theodore, age 8

(2) It's better for girls to be single but not for boys. Boys need someone to clean up after them.

-- Anita, age 9 (bless you child)

HOW WOULD THE WORLD BE DIFFERENT IF PEOPLE DIDN'T GET MARRIED?

(1) There sure would be a lot of kids to explain, wouldn't there?

-- Kelvin, age 8

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HOW WOULD YOU MAKE A MARRIAGE WORK?

(1) Tell your wife that she looks pretty, even if she looks like a truck.

-- Ricky, age 10

Blonde And Blue:

A blonde man showed up at work one day with a black eye. When his co-workers saw him they asked him what had happened. He told them it had happened at church. They didn't believe him, and wanted to know what really happened. So he told them, "I went to the church. I got on my knees and prayed. When I stood up to sing the hymns, there in front of me was the biggest woman I had ever seen. Her dress was stuck in her butt-crack, so being the gentleman I am, I reached over and pulled it out for her. She did not like that, so she hit me." The guys laughed and ribbed him about it all day. The next week he showed up to work and his face was beaten bad! Again, the guys asked him what had happened and he told them he'd got beaten up at church. Again they didn't believe him, so he explained, "I went to the church. I got on my knees and prayed. When I stood up to sing the hymns, there in front of me was that same big woman with her dress again stuck up her butt-crack." At this point the other men interrupted and said, "Please tell us you didn't pull her dress out of her crack again?" "No, the guy standing beside me did, and I knew she didn't like that, so I shoved it back in."

Life Is Truly Full Of Splinters...

1. Jesse Jackson, Jim Baker and Jimmy Swaggert have written an impressive new book. It's called "Ministers Do More Than Lay People."
2. Transvestite: A guy who likes to eat, drink and be Mary.
3. The difference between the Pope and your boss....the Pope only expects you to kiss his ring.
4. My mind works like lightning. One brilliant flash and it is gone.
5. The only time the world beats a path to your door is if you're in the bathroom.
6. I hate sex in the movies. Tried it once. The seat folded up, the drink spilled and that ice, well, it really chilled the mood.
7. It used to be only death and taxes were inevitable. Now, of course, there's shipping and handling, too.
8. A husband is someone who, after taking the trash out, gives the impression that he just cleaned the whole house.
9. My next house will have no kitchen - just vending machines and a large trash can.
10. A blonde said, "I was worried that my mechanic might try to rip me off. I was relieved when he told me all I needed was turn signal fluid."
11. I'm so depressed. My doctor refused to write me a prescription for Viagra. He said it would be like putting a new flagpole on a condemned building.
12. My neighbor was bit by a stray rabid dog. I went to see how he was and found him writing frantically on piece of paper. I told him rabies could be cured and he didn't

have to worry about a Will. He said, "Will? What Will? I'm making a list of the people I want to bite."

13. Definition of a teenager? God's punishment for enjoying sex.
14. As we slide down the banister of life, may the splinters never point the wrong way.

Doctors and Guns

Doctors:

- (A) The number of physicians in the U.S. is 700,000.
 - (B) Accidental deaths caused by Physicians per year are 120,000.
 - (C) Accidental deaths per physician is 0.171.
- Statistics courtesy of U.S. Dept of Health Human Services.

Now Guns:

- (A) The number of gun owners in the U.S. is 80,000,000. Yes, that is 80 million.
- (B) The number of accidental gun deaths per year, all age groups, is 1,500.
- (C) The number of accidental deaths per gun owner is .000188.

Statistics courtesy of F.B.I.

Statistically, doctors are approximately 9,000 times more dangerous than gun owners. Remember, "Guns don't kill people, doctors do." FACT: NOT EVERYONE HAS A GUN, BUT ALMOST EVERYONE HAS AT LEAST ONE DOCTOR!

Out of concern for the public at large, we have withheld the statistics on lawyers for fear the shock would cause people to panic and seek medical attention.

Smart Cuddles:

A wealthy old lady decides to go on a photo safari in Africa, taking her faithful aged poodle named Cuddles, along for the company. One day the poodle starts chasing butterflies and before long, Cuddles discovers that she's lost. Wandering about, she notices a leopard heading rapidly in her direction with the intention of having lunch. The old poodle thinks, "Oh, oh! I'm in deep doo-doo now!" Noticing some bones on the ground close by, she immediately settles down to chew on the bones with her back to the approaching cat. Just as the leopard is about to leap, the old poodle exclaims loudly, "Boy, that was one delicious leopard! I wonder if there are any more around here"? Hearing this, the young leopard halts his attack in mid-strike, a look of terror comes over him and he slinks away into the trees. "Whew!" says the leopard, "That was close! That old poodle nearly had me!" Meanwhile, a monkey who had been watching the whole scene from a nearby tree, figures he can put this knowledge to good use and trade it for protection from the leopard. So off he goes, but the old poodle sees him heading after the leopard with great speed, and figures that something must be up. The monkey soon catches up with the leopard, spills the beans and strikes a deal for himself with the leopard. The young leopard is furious at being made a fool of and says, "Here, monkey, hop on my back and see what's going to happen to that conniving canine!" Now, the old poodle sees the leopard coming with

the monkey on his back and thinks, "What am I going to do now?", but instead of running, the dog sits down with her back to her attackers, pretending she hasn't seen them yet, and just when they get close enough to hear, the old poodle says: "Where's that damn monkey? I sent him off an hour ago to bring me another leopard!" Moral of this story... Don't mess with old farts...age and treachery will always overcome youth and enthusiasm! Bullshit and brilliance only come with age and experience!

Power Outage During A Mammogram

I actually kept my mammogram appointment. I was met with, "Hi! I'm Belinda!" This perky clipboard carrier smiled from ear to ear, tilted her head to one side and crooned, "All I need you to do is step into this room right hereee, strip to the waist, thennnn slip on this gown. Everything clearrrr?" I'm thinking, "Belinda, try decaf. This ain't rocket science." Belinda skipped away to prepare the chamber of horrors. Call me crazy, but I suspect a man invented this machine. It takes a perfectly healthy cup size of 36-B to a size 38-LONG in less than 60 seconds. Also, girls aren't made of sugar and spice and everything nice....it's Spandex. We can be stretched, pulled and twisted over a cold 4-inch piece of square glass and still pop back into shape. With the right side finished, Belinda flipped me (literally) to the left and said, "Hmmm. Can you stand on your tippy toes and lean in a tad so we can get everything?" Fine, I answered. I was freezing, bruised, and out of air, so why

not use the remaining circulation in my legs and neck and finish me off? My body was in a holding pattern that defied gravity (with my other boob wedged between those two 4" pieces of square glass) when we heard, then felt a zap! Complete darkness and the power went off! "What?" I yelled. "Oh, maintenance is working. Bet they hit a snag." Belinda headed for the door. "Excuse me! You're not leaving me in this vise alone, are you?" I shouted. Belinda kept going and said, "Oh, you fussy puppy ... the door's wide open so you'll have the emergency hall lights. I'll be rightttttt backkkk." Before I could shout "NOOOO!" she disappeared. And that's exactly how Bubba and Earl, maintenance men extraordinaire, found me, half-naked and part of me dangling from the Jaws of Life and the other part smashed between glass! After exchanging polite "Hi, how's it going" type greetings, Bubba (or possibly Earl) asked, to my utter disbelief, if I knew the power was off. Trying to disguise my hysteria, I replied with as much calmness as possible. "Uh, yes, yes I did thanks. "You bet, take care" Bubba replied and waved good-bye as though I'd been standing in the line at the grocery store. Two hours later, Belinda breezes in wearing a sheepish grin and making no attempt to suppress her amusement, she said. "Oh I am soooo sorry! The power came back on and I totally forgot about you! And silly me, I went to lunch. Are we upset?" And that, Your Honor, is exactly how her head ended up between the clamps

How Latex Gloves Are Made...

A dentist noticed that his next patient, an elderly lady, was



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looking very nervous so he decided to tell her a little joke as he put on his gloves. "Do you know how they make these gloves?" he asked. "No, I don't" she replied "Well," he spoofed, "there's a building in China with a big tank of latex and workers of all hand sizes walk up to the tank, dip in their hands, let them dry, then peel off the gloves and throw them into boxes of the right size." She didn't crack a smile. "Oh, well, I tried," he thought. But five minutes later, during a delicate portion of the dental procedure, she burst out laughing. "What's so funny?" he asked. "I was just picturing how condoms are made!" she said. Gotta watch those little old ladies! Their minds are always working ...

PRAYER:

1. Dear God, please put another holiday between Christmas and Easter.

There is nothing good in there now.
Amanda

2. Dear God, Thank you for the baby brother but what I asked for was a puppy.

I never asked for anything before.
You can look it up.
Joyce

3. Dear Mr. God, I wish you would not make it so easy for people to come apart I had to have 3 stitches and a shot.
Janet

4. God, I read the bible.
What does beget mean?
Nobody will tell me.
Love Alison

5. Dear God, how did you know you were God?
Who told you?
Charlene

6. Dear God, is it true my father won't get in Heaven if he uses his golf words in the house?
Anita

7. Dear God, I bet it's very hard for you to love all of everybody in the whole world.
There are only 4 people in our family and I can never do it.
Nancy

8. Dear God, I like the story about Noah the best of all of them. You really made up some good ones. I like walking on water, too.
Glenn

9. Dear God, my Grandpa says you were around when he was a little boy. How far back do you go?
Love, Dennis

10. Dear God, do you draw the lines around the countries? If you don't, who does?
Nathan

11. Dear God, did you mean for giraffes to look like that or was it an accident?
Norma

12. Dear God, in bible times, did they really talk that fancy?
Jennifer

13. Dear God, how come you did all those miracles in the old days and don't do any now?
Billy

14. Dear God, please send Dennis Clark to a different summer camp this year.
Peter

15. Dear God, maybe Cain and Abel would not kill each other so much if they each had their own rooms. It works out OK with me and my brother.
Larry

16. Dear God, I keep waiting for spring, but it never did come yet.
What's up? Don't forget.
Mark

17. Dear God, my brother told me about how you are born but it just doesn't sound right. What do you say?
Marsha

18. Dear God, if you watch in Church on Sunday I will show you my new shoes.
Barbara

19. Dear God, is Reverend Coe a friend of yours, or do you just know him through the business?
Donny

20. Dear God, I do not think anybody could be a better God than you. Well, I just want you to know that. I am not just saying that because you are already God.
Charles

21. Dear God, it is great the way you always get the stars in the right place. Why can't you do that with the moon?
Jeff

22. Dear God, I am doing the best I can.
Really !!!!
Frank

23. Dear God,
I didn't think orange went with purple
until I saw the sunset
you made on Tuesday night.
That was really cool.
Thomas

This Is Some Good Advice!

- If a dog was the teacher you would learn stuff like:
- When loved ones come home, always run to greet them.
- Never pass up the opportunity to go for a joyride.
- Allow the experience of fresh air and the wind in your face to be pure ecstasy.
- When it's in your best interest, practice obedience.
- Let others know when they've invaded your territory.
- Take naps.
- Stretch before rising.
- Run, romp, and play daily.
- Thrive on attention and let people touch you.
- Avoid biting when a simple growl will do.
- On warm days, stop to lie on your back on the grass.
- On hot days, drink lots of water and lie under a shady tree.
- When you're happy, dance around and wag your entire body. No matter how often you're scolded, don't buy into

the guilt thing and pout...! run right back and make friends.

- Delight in the simple joy of a long walk.
- Eat with gusto and enthusiasm. Stop when you have had enough.
- Be loyal. Never pretend to be something you're not.
- If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it.
- When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by and nuzzle them gently.

Underwear is important

Always wear clean underwear in public, especially when working under your vehicle... From the Northwest Florida Daily News comes this story of a Crestview couple who drove their car to Wal-Mart, Only to have their car break down in the parking lot. The man told his wife to carry on with the shopping while he fixed the car in the lot. The wife returned later to see a small group of people near the car. On closer inspection, she saw a pair of male legs protruding from under the chassis. Although the man was in shorts, his lack of underpants turned private parts into glaringly public ones. Unable to stand the embarrassment, she dutifully stepped forward, quickly put her hand UP his shorts, and tucked everything back into place. On regaining her feet, she looked across the hood and found herself staring at her husband who was standing idly by. The mechanic, however, had to have three stitches in his forehead.

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Cartoon Personality:

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1) Which one of the following describes the perfect date?

- a) Candlelight dinner
- b) Fun/Theme Park
- c) Painting in the park
- d) Rock concert
- e) Going to the movies

2) What is your favorite type of music?

- a) Rock and Roll
- b) Alternative
- c) Soft Rock
- d) Country
- e) Pop

3) What type of movies do you prefer?

- a) Comedy
- b) Horror
- c) Musical
- d) Romance
- e) Documentary

4) Which one of these occupations would you choose if you only could choose one of these?

- a) Waiter
- b) Professional Sports Player
- c) Teacher
- d) Police
- e) Cashier

5) What do you do with your spare time?

- a) Exercise
- b) Read
- c) Watch television
- d) Listen to music
- e) Sleep

6) Which one of the following colors do you like best?

- a) Yellow
- b) White
- c) Sky Blue
- d) Dark Blue
- e) Red

7) What do you prefer to eat right now?

- a) Snow
- b) Pizza
- c) Sushi
- d) Pasta
- e) Salad

8) What is your favorite Holiday?

- a) Halloween
- b) Christmas
- c) New Year
- d) Valentines Day
- e) Thanksgiving

9) If you could go to one of these places which one would it be?

- a) Paris
- b) Spain
- c) Las Vegas
- d) Hawaii
- e) Hollywood

10) With which of the following would you prefer to spend time with?

- a) Someone Smart
- b) Someone attractive
- c) Someone who likes to Party
- d) Someone who always has fun
- e) Someone very sentimental

ANSWERS ON PAGE 32

Ghost Sex

A professor at the University of Kentucky was giving a lecture on the supernatural. To get a feel for his audience, he asks, "How many people here believe in ghosts?" About 90 students raise their hands. "Well, that's a good start. Out of those of you who believe in ghosts, do any of you think you have seen a ghost?" About 40 students raise their hands. "That's really good. I'm really glad you take this seriously. Has anyone here ever talked to a ghost?" About 15 students raise their hand. "Has anyone here ever touched a ghost?" Three students raise their hands. "That's fantastic. Now let me ask you one question further...Have any of you ever made love to a ghost?" Way in the back, Bubba raises his hand. The professor takes off his glasses, and says "Son, all the years I've been giving this lecture, no one has ever claimed to have made love to a ghost. You've got to come up here and tell us about your experience." The big redneck student replied with a nod and a grin, and began to make his way up to the podium. When he reached the front of the room, the professor asks, "So, Bubba, tell us what it's like to have sex with a ghost?" Bubba replied, "Shiiiiit! From way back thar I thought you said " Goats."

Aaadd- Know The Symptoms.....

Thank goodness there's a name for this disorder. Somehow I

feel better, even though I have it!! Recently, I was diagnosed with A.A.A.D.D. - Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder. This is how it manifests: I decide to water my garden. As I turn on the hose in the driveway, I look over at my car and decide it needs washing. As I start toward the garage, I notice mail on the porch table that I brought up from the mail box earlier. I decide to go through the mail before I wash the car. I lay my car keys on the table, put the junk mail in the garbage can under the table, and notice that the can is full. So, I decide to put the bills back on the table and take out the garbage first. But then I think, since I'm going to be near the mailbox when I take out the garbage anyway, I may as well pay the bills first. I take my check book off the table, and see that there is only one check left. My extra checks are in my desk in the study, so I go inside the house to my desk where I find the can of Coke I'd been drinking. I'm going to look for my checks, but first I need to push the Coke aside so that I don't accidentally knock it over. The Coke is getting warm, and I decide to put it in the refrigerator to keep it cold. As I head toward the kitchen with the Coke, a vase of flowers on the counter catches my eye--they need water. I put the Coke on the counter and discover my reading glasses that I've been searching for all morning. I decide I better put them back on my desk, but first I'm going to water the flowers. I set the glasses back down on the counter, fill a container with water and suddenly spot the TV remote. Someone left it on the kitchen table. I realize that tonight when we go to watch TV, I'll be looking for the remote, but I won't remember that it's on the kitchen table, so I decide to put it back in the den where it belongs, but first I'll water the flowers. I pour some water in the flowers, but quite a bit of it spills on the floor. So, I set the remote back on the table, get some towels and wipe up the spill. Then, I head down the hall trying to remember what I was planning to do. At the end of the day: the car isn't washed the bills aren't paid there is a warm can of Coke sitting on the counter the flowers don't have enough water, there is still only 1 check in my check book, I can't find the remote, I can't find my glasses, and I don't remember what I did with the car keys. Then, when I try to figure out why nothing got done today, I'm really baffled because I know I was busy all damn day, and I'm really tired. I realize this is a serious problem, and I'll try to get some help for it, but first I'll check my e-mail.... Don't laugh -- if this isn't you yet, your day is coming!!

Q&A's

Q: Where can women over the age of 60 find young, sexy men, 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 are done you will have a place to live.

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

A: Tell him you're pregnant.

Q: How can you avoid spotting a wrinkle every time you walk by a mirror?

A: The next time you're in front of a mirror, take off your glasses.

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

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

Q: Is it common for 60+ year olds to have problems with short term memory storage?

A: Storing memory is not a problem, retrieving it is a problem.

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

A: Yes, but usually in the afternoon.

Q: Where do 60+ year olds look for fashionable glasses?

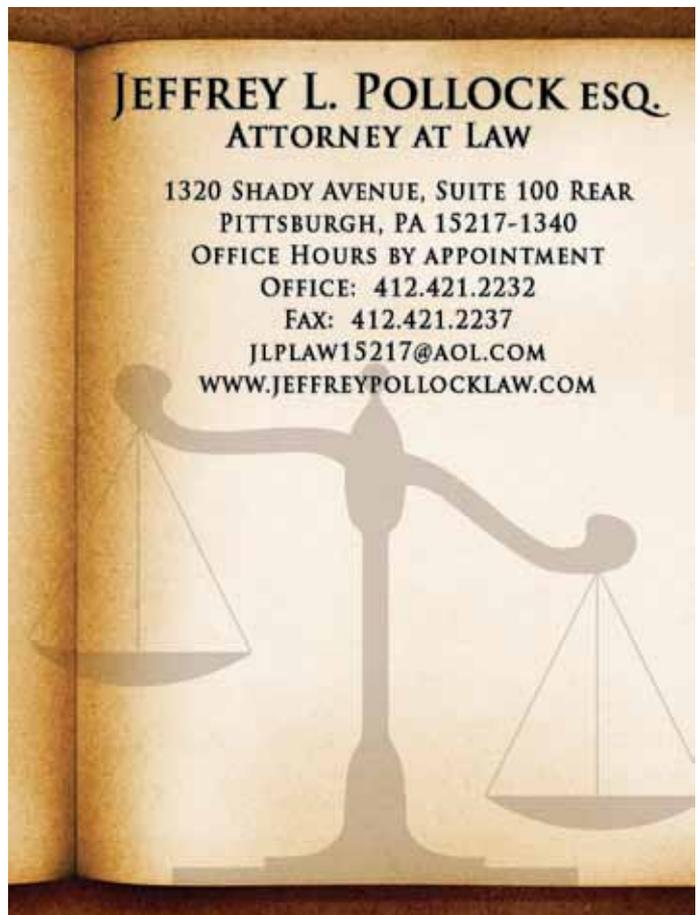
A: Their foreheads.

Q: What is the most common remark made by 60+ year olds when they enter antique stores?

A: "HEY, I remember these".

Communications Problems: End Of Joke From Page 22

What were you thinking? Hellooooooo, her husband speaks English! Now get back to work. We wonder about you sometimes!



Answers From Cartoon Personality From Page 30

Now add up your points and find out the answer

- 1.) a-4 b-2 c-5 d-1 e-3
- 2.) a-2 b-1 c-4 d-5 e-3
- 3.) a-2 ! b-1 c-3 d-4 e-5
- 4.) a-4 b-5 c-3 d-2 e-1
- 5.) a-5 b-4 c-2 d-1 e-3
- 6.) a-1 b-5 c-3 d-2 e-4
- 7.) a-3 b-2 c-1 d-4 e-5
- 8.) a-1 b-3 c-2 d-4 e-5
- 9.) a-4 b-5 c-1 d-4 e-3
- 10.) a-5 b-2 c-1 d-3 e-4

(10-16 points) You are Garfield:

You are very comfortable, easy going, and you definitely know how to have fun but sometimes you take it to an extreme. You always know what you are doing and you are always in control of your life. Others may not see things as you do, but that doesn't mean that you always have to do what is right. Try to remember your happy spirit may hurt you or others.

(18-26 points) You are Snoopy:

You are fun, you are very cool and popular. You always know what's in and you never are out of style. You are good at

knowing how to satisfy everyone else. You have probably disappeared for a few ! days more than once but you always come home with the family values that you earned. Being married and having children are important to you, but only after you have had your share of fun times.

(22-28 points) You are Arnold:

You have lots of friends and you are also popular, always willing to give advice and help out a person in need. You are very optimistic and you always see the bright side of things. Some good advice: try not to be too much of a dreamer, if not you will ! have many conflicts with life.

(29-34 points) You are Sponge Bob Square Pants:

You are the classic person that everyone loves. You are the best friend that anyone could ever have and never want to lose. You never cause harm to anyone and they would never not understand your feelings. Life is a journey, it's funny and calm for the most part. Stay away from traitors and jealous people, then you will be stress free.

(35-42 points) You are Charlie Brown:

You are tender, you fall in love quickly but you are also very serious about all relationships. You are a family person. You call your Mom every Sunday. You have many friends and may occasionally forget a few birthdays. Don't let your passion confuse you with reality.

(43-50 points) You are Dexter:

You are smart and definitely a thinker. Every situation is fronted with a plan. You have a brilliant mind. You demonstrate very strong family principles. Maintain a stable routine but never ignore a bad situation when it comes.

Social Security Sex:

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

Loud Sex:

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

Confounded Sex:

A man was in a terrible accident, and his "manhood" was mangled and torn from his body. His doctor assured him that modern medicine could give him back his manhood, but that his insurance wouldn't cover the surgery since it was considered cosmetic. The doctor said the cost would be \$3,500 for "small, \$6,500 for "medium, \$14,000 for "large." The man was sure he would want a medium or large, but the doctor urged him to talk it over with his wife before he



made any decision. The man called his wife on the phone and explained their options. The doctor came back into the room, and found the man looking dejected. "Well, what have the two of you decided?" asked the doctor. The man answered, "She'd rather remodel the kitchen".

Woman's Humor:

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

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

Couple goes on vacation to a fishing resort in northern Minnesota. The husband likes to fish at the crack of dawn, the wife likes to read. One morning the husband returns after several hours of fishing and decides to take a nap. Although not familiar with the lake, the wife decides to take the boat out. She motors out a short distance, anchors, and continues to read her book. Along comes a game Warden in his boat. He pulls up alongside the woman and says, "Good morning Ma'am. What are you doing?" "Reading a book," She replies, (Thinking, "Isn't that obvious?") "You're in a restricted fishing area," he informs her. "I'm sorry officer, but I'm not fishing, I'm reading." "Yes, but you have all the equipment. For all I know you could start at any moment. I'll have to take you in and write you up." "If you do that, I'll have to charge you with sexual assault," says the woman. "But I haven't even touched you," says the game warden. "That's true, but you have all the equipment. For all I know you could start at any moment." "Have a nice day ma'am," and he left.

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

Who Is This?

If you can start the day without caffeine,
If you can get going without pep pills,
If you can always be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains,
If you can resist complaining and boring people with your troubles,
If you can eat the same food every day and be grateful for it,
If you can understand when your loved ones are too busy to give you any time,
If you can take criticism and blame without resentment
If you can ignore a friend's limited education and never correct him,
If you can resist treating a rich friend better than a poor friend,
If you can conquer tension

without medical help, If you can relax without liquor, If you can sleep without the aid of drugs,
...Then You Are Probably The Family Dog!

Dentist & the Golfer:

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

Taking Baby to Doctor:

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

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The Baby Photographer:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Wife: "Oh my god!"

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

Wife: "She was difficult?"

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

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

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

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

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

Wife: "Tripod?"

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

One for the Old Dude:

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

Bungee Jumping:

North Dakota couples, Alice and Frank, are Bungee-jumping fanatics. On a vacation in Mexico, they notice that the sport hasn't yet reached south of the border. Alice says to Frank, "You know, I bet we could make a lot of money starting our own Bungee-jumping service down here!" Frank thinks this is a great idea, so they pool their money and buy everything they'll need - a tower, an elastic cord, insurance, etc. They traveled to Mexico and began to set up in a town square. As they are

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constructing the tower, a crowd begins to assemble. Slowly, more and more people gather to watch them at work. When they had finished, there was such a crowd they thought it would be a good idea to give a demonstration. So, Alice jumps. She bounces at the end of the cord, but when she comes back up, Frank notices that she has a few cuts and scratches. Unfortunately, Frank isn't able to catch her and she falls again, bounces and comes back up again. This time, she is bruised and bleeding. Again, Frank misses her. Alice falls again and bounces back up. This time she comes back pretty messed up -- she's got a couple of broken bones and is almost unconscious. Luckily, Frank finally catches her this time and says, "What happened? Was the cord too long?" Barely able to speak, Alice gasps, "No, the Bungee cord was fine...It was the crowd. What the heck is a Piñata??"

My Philosophy Of Housecleaning!

I don't do windows because...I love birds and don't want one to run into a clean window and get hurt.
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 I am terrified a guest will slip and get hurt then I'll feel terrible (plus they may sue me.)
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 I want every creature to have a home of their own.
 I don't Spring Clean because...

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

Young King Arthur:

Young King Arthur was ambushed and imprisoned by the monarch of a neighboring kingdom. The monarch could have killed him but was moved by Arthur's youth and ideals. So, the monarch offered him his freedom, as long as he could answer a very difficult question. Arthur would have a year to figure out the answer and, if after a year, he still had no answer, he would be put to death. The question?...What do women really want? Such a question would perplex even the most knowledgeable man, and to young Arthur, it seemed an impossible query. But, since it was better than death, he accepted the monarch's proposition to have an answer by year's end. He returned to his kingdom and began to poll everyone: the princess, the priests, the wise men and even the court jester. He spoke with everyone, but no one could give him a satisfactory answer. Many people advised him to consult the old witch, for only she would have the answer. But the price would be high; as the witch was famous throughout the kingdom for the exorbitant prices she charged. The last day of the year arrived and Arthur



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had no choice but to talk to the witch. She agreed to answer the question, but he would have to agree to her price first.

The old witch wanted to marry Sir Lancelot, the most noble of the Knights of the Round Table and Arthur's closest friend! Young Arthur was horrified. She was hunchbacked and hideous, had only one tooth, smelled like sewage, made obscene noises, etc. He had never encountered such a repugnant creature in all his life. He refused to force his friend to marry her and endure such a terrible burden, but Lancelot, learning of the proposal, spoke with Arthur. He said nothing was too big of a sacrifice compared to Arthur's life and the preservation of the Round Table. Hence, a wedding was proclaimed and the witch answered Arthur's question thus:

What a woman really wants, she answered....is to be in charge of her own life. Everyone in the kingdom instantly knew that the witch had uttered a great truth and that Arthur's life would be spared. And so it was, the neighboring monarch granted Arthur his freedom and Lancelot and the witch had a wonderful wedding. The honeymoon hour approached and Lancelot, steeled himself for a horrific experience, entered the bedroom. But, what a sight awaited him. The most beautiful woman he had ever seen lay before him on the bed. The astounded Lancelot asked what had happened. The beauty replied that since he had been so kind to her when she appeared as a witch, she would henceforth, be her horrible deformed self only half the time and the beautiful maiden the other half. Which would he prefer? Beautiful during the day....or night? Lancelot pondered the predicament. During the day, a beautiful woman to show off to his friends, but at night in the privacy of his castle, an old witch? Or, would he prefer having a hideous witch during the day, but by night, a beautiful woman for him to enjoy wondrous, intimate moments? What would YOU do? What Lancelot chose is below. BUT....make YOUR choice before you read any further! Noble Lancelot, knowing the answer the witch gave Arthur to his question, said that he would allow HER to make the choice herself. Upon hearing this, she announced that she would be beautiful all the time because he had respected her enough to let her be in charge of her own life. Now....what is the moral to this story? The moral is..... If you don't let a woman have her own way... Things are going to get ugly...

Retarded Grandparents:

A teacher asked her young pupils how they plan to spend their summer away from school. One child wrote the following: We always used to spend the summer with Grandma and Grandpa. They used to live in a big two story house but Grandpa got retarded and they moved to Arizona. Now they live in a tin box and have rocks painted green to look like grass. They ride around on their bicycles and wear name tags because they don't know who they are anymore. They go to a building called a wrecked center, but they must have got it fixed because it is all okay now, and do exercises there, but they don't do them very well. There is a swimming pool too, but in it, they all jump up and down with hats on. At their gate, there is a doll house with a little old man sitting in it. He

watches all day so nobody can escape. Sometimes they sneak out. They go cruising in their golf carts. Nobody there cooks, they just eat out. And, they eat the same thing every night -----early birds. Some of the people can't get out past the man in the doll house. The ones, who do get out, bring food back to the wrecked center and call it pot luck. My Grandma says that Grandpa worked all his life to earn his retardment and says I should work hard so I can be retarded someday too.

A Man And A Dog

A man walks into a shop and sees a cute little dog. He asks the shopkeeper, "Does your dog bite?" The shopkeeper says, "No, my dog does not bite." The man tries to pet the dog and the dog bites him. "Ouch!" He says, "I thought you said your dog does not bite!" The shopkeeper replies, "That is not my dog!"

Restaurant Marketing

There were three restaurants on the same block. One day one of them put up a sign which said "The Best Restaurant in the City." The next day, the largest restaurant on the block put up a larger sign which said "The Best Restaurant in the World." On the third day, the smallest restaurant put up a small sign which said "The Best Restaurant on this Block."

Testing

One day a student was taking a very difficult essay exam. At the end of the test, the prof asked all the students to put their pencils down and immediately hand in their tests. The young man kept writing furiously, although he was warned that if he did not stop immediately he would be disqualified. He ignored the warning, finished the test 10 minutes later, and went to hand the test to his instructor. The instructor told him he would not take the test. The student asked, "Do you know who I am?" The prof said, "No and I don't care." The student asked again, "Are you sure you don't know who I am?" The prof again said no. So the student walked over to the pile of tests, placed his in the middle, then threw the papers in the air. "Good" the student said, and walked out. He passed.

Ugly Baby

A woman got on a bus, holding a baby. The bus driver said, "That's the ugliest baby I've ever seen." In a huff, the woman slammed her fare into the fare box and took an aisle seat near the rear of the bus. The man seated next to her sensed that she was agitated and asked her what was wrong. "The bus driver insulted me," she fumed. The man sympathized and said, "Why, he's a public servant and shouldn't say things to insult passengers." "You're right," she said. "I think I'll go back up there and give him a piece of my mind." "That's a good idea," the man said. "Here, let me hold your monkey."

The Forecast

James was walking down the road one morning when he met his friend Danny. "Morning, Danny. Er ... Danny, you're wearing a glove on one hand and none on the other. Did you know?"

“Yes, well I heard the weather forecast this morning, you see.”
 “The Weather forecast?” “Yes, the weather forecast. the forecaster said on the one hand it might be fine but on the other hand there might be some rain.”

Parrot

A man got a parrot which could already talk. It had belonged to a sailor and had a big vocabulary. However, the man soon discovered that the parrot mostly know bad words. At first he thought it was funny, but then it became tiresome, and finally, when the man had important guests, the bird’s bad words embarrassed him very much. As soon as the guests left, the man angrily shouted at the parrot, “That language must stop!”. But the bird answered him with curses. He shook the bird and shouted again, “Don’t use those ugly words!” Again the bird cursed him. Now the man was really angry. He grabbed the parrot and threw him into the refrigerator. But it had no effect. From inside the refrigerator, the parrot was still swearing. He opened the door and took him out, and again the bird spoke in dirty words and curses. This time, the man opened the door of the freezer, threw the bird into it, and closed the door. This time there was silence. After two minutes, the man opened the door and removed the very cold parrot. Slowly the shivering parrot walked up the man’s arm, sat on his shoulder and spoke into his ear, sounding very frightened: “I’ll be good, I promise... Those chickens in there.. what did they say?”

Grapes

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

CAT Scan

A man’s dog has a problem so he takes him to the vet’s. The vet looks at the dog and says that he’ll have to take him to the examining room. In the examining room, he takes a cat out of a cage and lets the cat walk all over the dog, but the dog doesn’t do anything. The doctor say “Your dog is dead.” The man goes out to the receptionist and asks for his bill. “That’ll be \$325” says the receptionist. “What! \$325? How’s that possible?” “It’s \$25 for the consultation, and \$300 for the Cat scan.”

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Hawaii

The two students went to Honolulu on holiday. Soon they began to argue about the correct way to pronounce the word "Hawaii." One student insisted that it's Hawaii, with a "w" sound. The other student said it was pronounced like "Havaii," with a "v" sound. Finally, they saw an old native on the beach, and asked him which was correct. The old man said it's "Havaii." The student who was right was very happy, and thanked the old man. The old man said "you're welcome."

School Lunch

"Dad, I don't want to go to school today." said the boy.
"Why not, son?" "Well, one of the chickens on the school farm died last week and we had chicken soup for lunch the next day. Then three days ago one of the pigs died and we had roast pork the next day." "But why don't you want to go today?"
"Because our English teacher died yesterday!"

Frayed Knot

A piece of string walks into a bar and asks for a drink. The barman refuses to serve him saying rudely, 'Sorry but we don't serve the likes of you. Get out!' The piece of string leaves the bar feeling glum, he walks down the road and then he sees two girls who he asks for help. 'Please,' he says to one of the girls, would you tie a knot in me?' This she does. 'Please,' the piece of string says to the other girl, 'would you mind taking your comb and fluffing out the ends of my string?' so the girl obliges. 'Thank you' says the string and he turns around, goes back into the bar and immediately orders a drink again. The barman looks at him quizzically and says 'aren't you the piece of string that was in here a moment ago?' 'No' came the answer, 'I'm a frayed knot.'

Tastes Like Chicken

Three rich brothers each wanted to do something special for their elderly mother on Mother's Day. The first brother bought her a huge house. The second brother gave her a limousine, with a driver. The third brother remembered that his mother used to love to read the Bible, but couldn't see well anymore, so he got her a specially trained parrot that could recite any verse from the Bible on demand. Soon, the brothers received thank-you notes from their mother. The first son's note said, "The house you bought me is much too big! I only live in a small part of it, but I have to clean the whole thing!" The second son got a note that said, "I rarely leave the house anymore, so I hardly use the limo you gave me. And when I do use it, the driver is so rude!" The third son's note said, "My darling baby boy, you know just what your mother loves! The chicken was delicious!"

Panda

A panda bear walks into a restaurant. He orders the special and eats it. After eating, he pulls out a pistol, kills the waiter and starts to walk out the door. The owner of the restaurant says, "Hey, what are you doing? You come in here, you kill

my waiter and walk away without saying a word. I don't understand." The panda says, "Look it up in the dictionary," and walks out the door. So the owner gets out a dictionary and looks under the heading "Panda". It reads: panda - black and white animal; lives in central China; eats shoots and leaves.

A Beer Run

One Saturday afternoon the grasshopper, the snail, and the centipede were sitting around the grasshopper's house drinking beer. They ran out of beer before they were ready to quit drinking, so they decided one of them should go out for more beer. The snail said, "I'd go, but I'm kind of slow. Besides, Grasshopper, this is your neighborhood so you know where to go." The grasshopper said, "I don't mind going, but my hopping will shake up the beer and we'll get sprayed every time we open one." So they decided to send the centipede; and the grasshopper explained how to get to the nearest liquor store. An hour or so passed and still the centipede hadn't returned, so the snail and the grasshopper decided to go look for him. They got as far as the the front door and found the centipede sitting there putting on his shoes.

Hungry Bear

An American lawyer invited a Czechoslovakian friend to stay with him in his mountain cabin. Early in the morning, the lawyer and his Czechoslovakian friend went out to pick berries for their morning breakfast. As they were picking blueberries, along came two big Bears - a male and a female. The lawyer, seeing the two bears, climbed a tree. His friend wasn't so lucky and the male bear caught him and swallowed him whole. The lawyer drove his car to town as fast as he could to get a policeman. The policeman took his gun and ran to the berry patch with the lawyer. Sure enough, the two bears were still there. "He's in THAT one!" said the lawyer, pointing to the male. The policeman looked at the bears, took careful aim with his gun, and SHOT THE FEMALE. "What did you do that for!" shouted the lawyer, "I said he was in the other bear!" "Exactly," answered the policeman. "Would YOU believe a lawyer who told you that the Czech was in the Male?"

A Vow Of Silence

A man wanted to become a monk so he went to the monastery and talked to the head monk. The head monk said, "You must take a vow of silence and can only say two words every three years." The man agreed and after the first 3 years, the head monk came to him and said, "What are your two words?" "Food cold!" the man replied. Three more years went by and the head monk came to him and said "What are your two words?" "Robe dirty!" the man exclaimed. Three more years went by and the head monk came to him and said, "What are your two words?" "I quit!" said the man. "Well, the head monk replied, I am not surprised. You have done nothing but complain ever since you got here!"

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