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SPORTS:

Steelers

by Stacy Kauffman, Sports Editor, Nightwire Magazine
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In the NFL offseason, there are several events that remind us that football is coming and soon teams will be painting on the blank canvas that is a new season. Mapping out your road trips, Sunday tailgates and which late games you might just have to DVR, becomes an annual practice once the NFL releases its schedule. Ten days later, the draft has wrapped and you know who your team's decision makers have tapped as their future. In some cases, that future is now.

So who will the Steelers be trotting out onto the field during their league-high, five prime-time games in 2019? Which dates are being circled on the calendars of the South Side practice facility? And who will become collateral damage post draft? These questions will all be answered as the weeks go by and before we know it, the Steelers redemption tour will be under way.

Because that's what this season will be. After a drama-filled 2018 that started with a tie in Cleveland and ended with Antonio Brown forcing his way out of town,

all without Le'Veon Bell and sprinkled with inexplicable blown leads, the hope is that this clean slate will provide a team-focused effort and singular goal. Bringing home a seventh Super Bowl title.

Mike Tomlin said as much during ESPN's daft coverage. When asked about his offseason comments when he said the Steelers wanted volunteers on the team, not hostages, he doubled down.

"There has been a cleansing, if you will. I meant what I said when I said it. I didn't say it to be cliché," answered Tomlin. "I think when you're trying to compete at the level we're trying to compete at and be world champs, that desire, that collective will, the things that you don't measure, I think that guys that have a strong desire to be a part of it, there's a significant element of that."

You can see in the draft that the Steelers valued team-first mentality. Kevin Colbert touched upon this when he spoke about RB Benny Snell Jr., their 4th round pick out of Kentucky.



"One thing we really want to point out about Benny, in today's college environment =, a lot of these kids are skipping their bowl games as they head into their pro careers. And that's the choices that they make. But when a player like Benny Snell ends up playing for his team in his bowl game, we really like to acknowledge that and give him credit for putting his team and that win over his own priorities."

In Kentucky's 27-24 win over Penn State in the Citrus Bowl, Snell had 26 carries for 144 yards and two scores.

Addressing pressing needs at inside linebacker and cornerback within their first three picks - not to mention trading up into the top 10 for the first time in team history - the Steelers believe they've found difference makers in Devin Bush of Michigan and Justin Layne of Michigan State. Sandwiched in between those picks was WR Diontae Johnson out of Toledo. Somewhat of an Antonio Brown prototype in size and ball handling skill, Gerry Dulac reported the Steelers had a first round grade for the MAC receiver.



Adding two more depth backers in the sixth round, Sutton Smith of Northern Illinois, one of two players in college football to have double digit sacks in back-to-back seasons, and Ulysses Gilbert III from Akron, some linebackers on the roster may not return. Jon Bostic has already been released and guys like Tyler Matakevich could be on the chopping block.

Draft pundits have called Michigan TE Zach Gentry a work-in-progress, but with Vance McDonald and Xavier Grimbale,

the 6'8" has time to grow into his role. With Alabama DT Isaiah Buggs and Maryland OT Derwin Gray rounding out the draft, the Steelers feel good about the upcoming season.

As the team focuses on getting back to the playoffs, the schedule won't allow for any easing into the season, kicking off at New England on Sunday Night Football.

Hopefully the picture to be painted all be a pretty one because last year was ugly.



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SUN. AUG. 25
8:00 P.M. @TENNESSEE

THURS. AUG. 29
7:00 P.M. @CAROLINA

SUN. SEPT. 8
8:20 P.M. @NEW ENGLAND

SUN. SEPT. 15
1:00 P.M. SEATTLE

SUN. SEPT. 22
4:25 P.M. @SAN FRANCISCO

MON. SEPT. 30
8:15 P.M. CINCINNATI

SUN. OCT. 6
1:00 P.M. BALTIMORE

SUN. OCT. 13
8:20 P.M. @LA CHARGERS

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1:00 P.M. INDIANAPOLIS

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1:00 P.M. @NEW YORK JETS

SUN. DEC. 29
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Movie Reviews

NIGHTWIRE - FILM REVIEWS by FIORE

THE CURSE OF LA LLORONA



Once THE CURSE OF LA LLORONA establishes its premise, it is a roller coaster of all the 'got-ya' elements incorporated into modern horror films. Like a familiar amusement park ride, you know what's coming, but enjoy it anyway. THE CURSE OF LA LLORONA is a fine installment into one of the better horror classes in cinema, the Conjuring Universe.

James Wan, still riding high off his unparalleled success with AQUAMAN, started in horror films. THE CONJURING established new norms for the genre. THE CONJURING spawned a sequel, an off-shoot, ANNABELLE and two sequels, THE NUN and now THE CURSE OF LA LLORONA. While Wan did not direct nor write this film, he is producer and serves as overlord for the Conjuring Universe. Collectively, they represent some of the best modern horror films on screen.

While THE CURSE OF LA LLORONA has all the surprise sequences contained in horror films today, it does not offer any new ones. There are two unique concepts in the battle with the demon. The demon's tears are collected, purified and then used against her; an affect much like holy water on a vampire. When the demon is lured into a swimming pool, Cruz transforms the pool into holy water, trapping it. These techniques are clever, compensating for some of the standard scares.

While the set-ups and the scares may be familiar, THE CURSE OF LA LLORONA is a solid installment of the Conjuring Universe. It's sure to startle and chill all but the most jaded viewers.

STORM BOY

STORM BOY is a novella ingrained into the culture of Australia. A favored fable, most learn Colin Thiele's story in primary school. This film version is updated, and more in line with the environmental movement. Still, with so many global warming doomsday plots, it is refreshing to recant a basic tale of a

boy and his pet pelican, even with an envelope wrap of big business destroying the Earth.

Shawn Seet helms STORM BOY. It is a film he wanted to make since he saw the 1976 original version. He is well known in Australia, primarily for his work in television. Director of Photography Bruce Young attempts to shoot STORM BOY highlighting the Australia coastline. He succeeds, except for the dramatic conclusion. Caught in a sudden storm, Hideaway Tom is tossed from his capsized boat and caught in a deluge of storm waves. At least, that's the premise. The day the sequence was shot appears to be a mild, sunny day. Stock footage of a storm's waves do not match the wave pool motion of the daring rescue. Editor Denise Haratzis attempts to salvage the sequence with quick edits, but it is painfully obvious the scene is staged, thereby presenting no real sense of danger.

STORM BOY is a harmless film; one that delivers its message without advocating radical action or thought. It will be particularly appealing to young children who love animals.



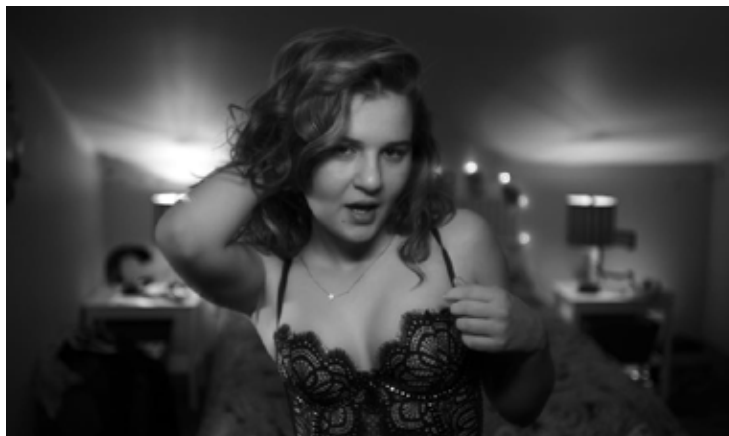
SLUT IN A GOOD WAY

SLUT IN A GOOD WAY is another in a continuing stream of films helmed by women, supposedly in an effort to show the general public women filmmakers are as efficient as men. SLUT IN A GOOD WAY is palatable, though I'm certain I would have appreciated its ideological meanderings if I had considerably more estrogen.

Directed by Sophie Lorain and written by Catherine Leger, SLUT IN A GOOD WAY is a social commentary on sexual mores, encapsulated in the workings of a French-Canadian toy store. The tale simultaneously expresses female confusion over the power of sexual desires and wants, and the role of women in society, as a means of changing, or dominating men's behaviors.

As teen sex romps go, SLUT IN A GOOD WAY is better than

most. It's able to deliver its commentary through likable characters most will identify with, even if not in recent history. Made in Quebec, *SLUT IN A GOOD WAY* is in the bastardization of the French language the Canadians are known for, much like Americans use a bastardization of English. Reading subtitles will not affect enjoyment of the movie, nor cloud its tomes. A good film for those nostalgic over their high school years, or those prepping their children to enter those same years. You can see my video review of this film at: [YouTube.com/users/RIGHTCRITIC](https://www.youtube.com/users/RIGHTCRITIC).



SHAZAM

For well over a year, I railed against the Disneyfication of the Marvel superhero films. I preferred the DC films, which are darker and do not spew the progressive mantra encompassing the world of the Mouse. DC's latest in the superhero series is *SHAZAM* and it is more Disneyesque than most of the Disney films.

Screenwriter Henry Gayden follows an all too familiar format, featuring a rowdy, but good-hearted youth from a broken family, who must adapt to a new foster family of diverse backgrounds, forcing him to accept tolerance. Of course, there are life lessons learned which will forge the new dysfunctional family unit into a puissant force. The added mixture in this familiar stew is the superpowers of a wizard.

SHAZAM was always meant as a kid's tale. In comic form, it



highlighted the comedy of childlike innocence thrust into the evils of adulthood. It featured a talking tiger, a mastermind worm and alligator people among its cast of characters. All are given their spotlight in the movie.

SHAZAM is a fun movie to watch, if you go to it expecting a family film and not a superhero film. The story unfolds much like Kurt Russel in *THE COMPUTER WORE TENNIS SHOES*. Mix in a little of Haley Mills in *THE TENDER TRAP*, and you have the flick, with a twist of superhero battles and lighting bolts. Good for kids, and those who like the childish mien of *SHAZAM*.

BERSERK

I like to avoid as much pre-publicity for a film as possible. I think, ideally, it is best to watch a movie without any preconceptions. Most times, especially with the inundation of trailer spots, it is very difficult to do. I was, however, able to avoid everything for the film *BERSERK*. So, as I watched it, I found myself gawking at what appeared to be a spoof of the shallowness of Hollywood, then wondering what was happening as elements of a thriller emerged, and finally laughing out loud as some sequences were downright funny. The shifts in gears for *BERSERK* makes the film difficult to categorize, but fun to watch.

Like most Indie films, *BERSERK* is the brainchild of Rhys Wakefield, who stars, writes, directs, produces and edits the flick. It stars Wakefield, Nick Cannon, best known for kids TV shows on Nickelodeon, Nora Arnezeder, who is a French actress, James Roday, best known for his role on TV's *PYSCH*, and Jack Falahee.

The real star of *BERSERK* is Director of Photography Mac Fiskien. *BERSERK* begins with beautiful aerial shots and the rest of the film is inhabited with crisp and clean composition and elegant sequencing.

BERSERK is quirky. As such, it helps to be in a quirky mood when watching it. The movie is like a mixed tape (remember those?). It's a hodgepodge of genres, assembled together in a chaotic fashion. There's a lot here, for a project with a modest budget.



Summer Beer Roundup

by Brian Meyer

Ah, summer. Just saying the word is enough to make you take a deep breath and relax. Few things are as great as kicking back on your porch or even at the beach with a good beer. From shandys to pale ales to wheat beers and beyond...summer beers are all about refreshing you and beating the heat.

There's a sacred bond that exists between warm weather and beer. While a good beer is great all year, there's just something about a hot day that makes a beer taste better than normal. To help you and your enjoyment of your summer beers, we compiled a list of beers that symbolize summer and of course, are perfect for some serious porch drinking.

Bell's Brewery Oberon

Few things taste more like summer than a cold can of Bell's Oberon. This 5.8% ABV wheat beer features a spicy hop character with mild fruity aromas. The malt gives this beer a smooth mouthfeel and pleasant lightness that makes it nearly perfect for the warm summer months. Oberon is available in 12-oz cans as well as the 16-oz pint cans, giving you the exact right amount of beer to make the porch-sitting months hopefully last forever.



Erie Brewing Soleil Shandy

Our friends in Erie brew their Soleil Shandy each summer to help ease those hot days. Shandys are a mix of beer and juice, making them lower in alcohol and substantially more refreshing than your typical beer. Erie's take on the shandy comes in at 3.5% ABV and features flavors of lemon and raspberry and just enough tartness to make you want more.

North Country Brewing Co. Bucco Blonde

Blonde ales are typically light and refreshing, making them a perfect match for warm weather, and North Country Brewing's Bucco Blonde is no exception. This 4.9% blonde ale has a great malt body with a hint of bitterness to balance things out. This beer was brewed specifically for Pittsburgh's very own Pirates. More specifically, for and by the Bucco's pitching coach Ray Searage, also known as Uncle Ray, and proceeds go to benefit the Make a Wish foundation.

Anderson Valley Brewing Summer Solstice

Unlike winter and fall beers, summer beers fall into quite a few categories and run the gamut of flavors. Take for example Anderson Valley's Summer Solstice. This beer is slightly sweet with a malty backbone and a clean finish. Summer Solstice is considered a session beer, coming in at 5% ABV, making it perfect for having a few beers while barbecuing or cutting the grass. Bravo hops give this beer a slight hop flavor and the light



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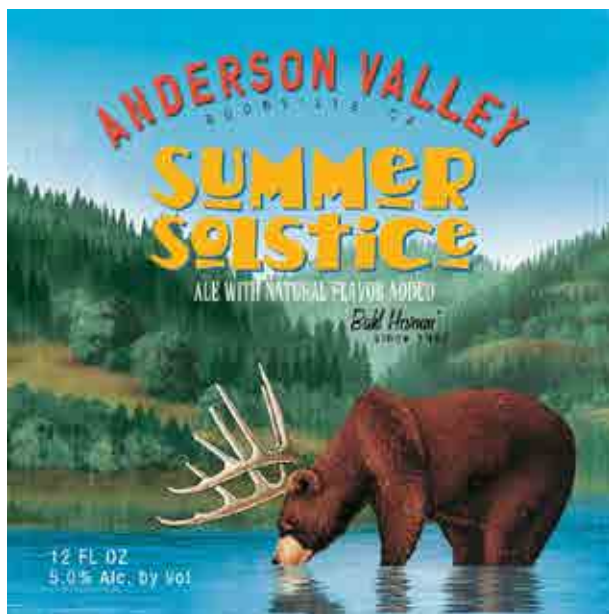




spice addition gives the beer a hint of caramel and spice, making it a “cream soda for adults” without being too sweet.

Victory Brewing Summer Love

Coming out this summer again in a can is Victory’s seasonal Summer Love. While there are many reasons to love summer, Summer Love is possibly the best. This golden ale comes in at 5.2% ABV and features tastes of fresh, clean German malts with earthy and spicy noble European hops, finishing up with a lemony aftertaste thanks to some whole flower American hops. Even though that can will keep your beer fresh longer, Victory Summer Love is available in bottles, too.



Dogfish Head Craft Brewery

Dragons & YumYums – If there’s one thing the folks at Dogfish Head know, it’s how to pair music and beer up in a way that is never gimmicky or forced. Their most recent entry into their beer and music lineup comes by way of the weird and wonderful band The Flaming Lips. Together with the brewers at Dogfish Head, the band came up with a beer that fits their personality

while fitting perfectly into DFH’s unique beer lineup. Dragons & YumYums is a 6.5% ABV “Lip-smacking” tart pale ale that’s brewed with dragonfruit, yumberry, passionfruit, pear juice, and black carrot. All ingredients you’d expect to find in a beer from Dogfish Head, and a lineup just eclectic enough to do the Flaming Lips justice.

Block House Brewing

Summer means a lot of things to a lot of people. To some it’s swimming pools and sun shades, to others it’s vacations, shorts, and relaxation. Thankfully Block House Brewing’s Summer Break is the perfect pairing for each of these and more. This 5% ABV summer seasonal pours a hazy golden color with a light, fizzy white head. Expect tastes of ruby red grapefruit and lemonade with the light, refreshing taste of 190 calorie beer. If you’re looking for a sign that summer is officially here, this is it.

Cigar City Brewing After-Sesh Ale

There have been beer collaborations with bands, businesses, clothing companies, and even film companies, but Cigar City Brewing took the idea of collaborations to a new level with their latest beer with the Skatepark of Tampa, Florida. This 4.5% ABV sessionable beer has notes of lime, orange, and salt that’s light, crisp, and refreshing. Together they make this summer seasonal beer perfect for a post-skate session relax session of its own.



Long Trail Summer Ale

Freshly updated thanks to a small batch brewery-only release, the brand new 5.4% ABV beer pours a golden hazy color and inside the glass you’ll find tastes of juicy fruit-centric hops and just enough bitterness to make this beer bright, refreshing, and perfect for summer months.

Local Artist Jordan York Teams Up with Jaggerz Legendary Jimmie Ross

Photography Credit: Eric Buckman Photography

Modern America has been built on years of the hard, honest labor of its working men and women. Its great cities are testament to that, and none more so than Pittsburgh.

In celebration of Pittsburgh's working-class pedigree, two musical Pittsburgh stars have joined forces to bring you the hit song "Blue Collar" – up and coming rapper Jordan York and The Jaggerz legendary Jimmie Ross.

Jordan has made a name for himself in recent years with a number of Pittsburgh themed rap songs – honoring the great city and the state of Pennsylvania. Jimmie is a Pittsburgh legend, renowned for his rock guitar and vocals with The Jaggerz. So it won't come as any surprise to you that the two of them make an awesome duo for "Blue Collar."

The rap-rock song pays homage to the very soul of Pittsburgh – its working class, industrial heritage. Jordan and Jimmie give a huge shout out to those on the frontline





of labor-intensive industries in Pennsylvania. Hard work and honest toil is still very to be found in Pennsylvania and helps to continue making it the great state that it is. You won't then be surprised to hear the line in "Blue Collar":

"This ain't for you if you just graduated Harvard."

Jordan and Jimmie make for a perfect fusion of two distinct genres of music coming together to give the hard-working people of Pittsburgh and Pennsylvania the recognition they deserve.

By blending rap and rock together, "Blue Collar" is the perfect analogy for how hard-work, collaboration and innovation shaped not only the song, but also defined Pittsburgh and Pennsylvania too.

"Blue Collar" is now available through all your major music outlets – enjoy! Let's all support our local artists and get this song heard around the country!



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The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust Welcomes Everyone to the 33rd Annual EQT Children's Theater Festival May 16-20, 2019 in Pittsburgh's Cultural District

The Festival will showcase international theater, French art piece world premiere, free activities, and more!

The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust welcomes families and children of all ages to experience the 2019 EQT Children's Theater Festival. Now in its 33rd year, this Festival fosters imagination through high-quality professional theater performances from around the world, including performers from Denmark, Mexico, France, and the United States. Highlights of the 2019 Festival include six featured performances, free hands-on activities and experiences, a Frog Stop Scavenger Hunt, and the world premiere of French artist Cyril Lancelin's circle, circle, circle. This Festival experience is tailored to children of all ages, and includes sensory-friendly performances of Air Play. The Festival is presented by the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust, and for the sixth year the Festival's lead and title underwriter is the EQT Foundation for EQT Corporation, connecting the Pittsburgh community to international arts, entertainment, and culture.

"The EQT Children's Theater Festival showcases featured artists from around the world to inspire creativity through the arts," says Pamela Komar, Director of Theater, Music, and Youth Programming for the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust. "Families will discover a setting that sparks imagination and discussion. Questions like, 'What do you think happened in the show?' inspire meaningful conversation. Rain or shine, with both indoor and outdoor events, the Festival is an easily accessible and positive shared experience away from the screen."

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Age Recommendation: All ages

Festival Location: Outdoors at Penn Avenue and 7th Street
Immerse yourself in a larger-than-life cube of colors. A 3D rainbow of circles creates a 15-foot tall maze that's as fun to gaze at as it is to adventure inside. Artist Cyril Lancelin's work has been shown around the world. Discover and explore this exciting world premiere! Open during Festival hours.

Emily Brown and the Thing by Tall Stories | United Kingdom

Age Recommendation: Ages 3+

Festival Location: August Wilson Cultural Center

(Also the finale of the 2018-2019 Citizens Bank Children's Theater Season)

Something monstrous is keeping Emily Brown awake...One evening, Emily Brown and her old grey rabbit Stanley hear a 'Thing' crying outside their window. He just can't get to sleep. Emily Brown and Stanley set off on incredible adventures to the Dark and Scary Wood, the Whirling Wastes, and beyond to find the Thing's cuddly, bedtime milk, and medicine, but nothing seems to help him settle! What's really troubling the Thing, and will anyone ever get to sleep? Find out in this magical, musical show based on the much-loved book by Cressida Cowell (How to Train Your Dragon) and Neal Layton. 55 minutes, no intermission.

Finale of the 2018-2019 EQT Bridge Theater Season

Murikamification by Arch 8 | Netherlands

Age Recommendation: Ages 7+

Festival Location: Throughout the Cultural District

Step into the daydream that unfolds before your eyes. Using the magical, surrealistic stories of Haruki Murakami as a source of inspiration, Kaiel creates an intensely physical and absurd performance trail. In each version of Murikamification, the show is adapted to the surprising scenery in the streets of that city. Follow the action on this moving theater piece throughout Pittsburgh's own Cultural District! 45 minutes.

Sensory-Friendly Performance, Saturday May 18th

Air Play by AirPlay Show | United States

Age Recommendation: All ages

Festival Location: Byham Theater

Ride the wind and dream with Air Play, a modern spectacle that brings to life the very air we breathe. Flying umbrellas, larger-than-life balloons, giant kites floating over the audience, and the biggest snow globe you've ever seen will make you gasp in wonder and laugh until it hurts. Air Play is a circus-style

adventure of two siblings journeying through a surreal world while transforming ordinary objects into uncommon beauty. Fabrics dance in the wind, balloons have a mind of their own, confetti turns into the night sky, and an enormous canopy of hovering silk forever alters their future. 60 minutes.

The Friday matinee performance of Air Play has been generously supported through proceeds from the Gabe Rubin Student Performance Fund.

FLY by Theater Patrasket | Denmark

Age Recommendation: Ages 5+

Festival Location: Trust Arts Education Center

FLY is a poetic journey into a circus universe with strange characters, big emotions and captivating puppet imagery. The orphan Max, is being bullied and suppressed – and is always longing to fly, even when he starts travelling with a circus. But one day he meets the giraffe woman Lily, and the great love that might give him wings. 40 minutes.

Sky and Stone by Teatro al Vacio | Mexico

Age Recommendation: Ages 1 – 4

Festival Location: Trust Arts Education Center

A stone falls from the sky and sparks curiosity, exploration, and play. Players explore with their bodies, playing to overcome gravity and investigate new possibilities, actions that imply a major challenge for children in their first years of life. Babies and toddlers are welcomed into a gentle and friendly experience with the invitation to explore and move with their bodies. 30 minutes.

Sons of Mystro | United States

Age Recommendation: All ages

Festival Location: August Wilson Cultural Center

Sons of Mystro use their violins to interpret reggae classics, American pop songs, and their own creations. They are winners of the Emerging Artist under 21yrs Old award at IRAWMA (International Reggae and World Music Awards). Mentored by Black Violin, these artists' stars are on the rise. 45 minutes.

FESTIVAL GROUNDS AND INFORMATION

Location: Pittsburgh's Cultural District – within various indoor theaters, art galleries, and outdoor locations along Liberty

Avenue, Penn Avenue and 6th Street.

Festival hours are 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 16; and 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Friday, May 17 to Sunday, May 19, 2019.

Parking: visit www.ParkPGH.org

During Festival hours, in addition to the featured performances, grounds include visual art programming in Cultural District galleries, free hands-on activities, public art, free outdoor performances, and a variety of food and drink options.

A Festival box office will be open at 807 Liberty Avenue during Festival hours providing tickets, assistance, and merchandise. There will also be friendly Festival Guides roaming the Festival grounds and stationed in colorful tents throughout the Festival to help visitors navigate throughout the Festival.

TICKETS

Featured performance tickets are \$12 each, and multi-show packs are available for as low as \$8 per show.

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The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust has overseen one of Pittsburgh's most historic transformations: turning a seedy red-light district into a magnet destination for arts lovers, residents, visitors, and business owners. Founded in 1984, the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust is a non-profit arts organization whose mission is the cultural and economic revitalization of a 14-block arts and entertainment/residential neighborhood called the Cultural District. The District is one of the country's largest land masses "curated" by a single nonprofit arts organization. A major catalytic force in the city, the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust is a unique model of how public-private partnerships can reinvent a city with authenticity, innovation and creativity. Using the arts as an economic catalyst, the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust has holistically created a world-renowned Cultural District that is revitalizing the city, improving the regional economy and enhancing Pittsburgh's quality of life. Thanks to the support of foundations, corporations, government agencies and thousands of private citizens, the Trust stands as a national model of urban redevelopment through the arts. www.TrustArts.org

Pittsburgh Cultural Trust Presents - Dear Evan Hansen

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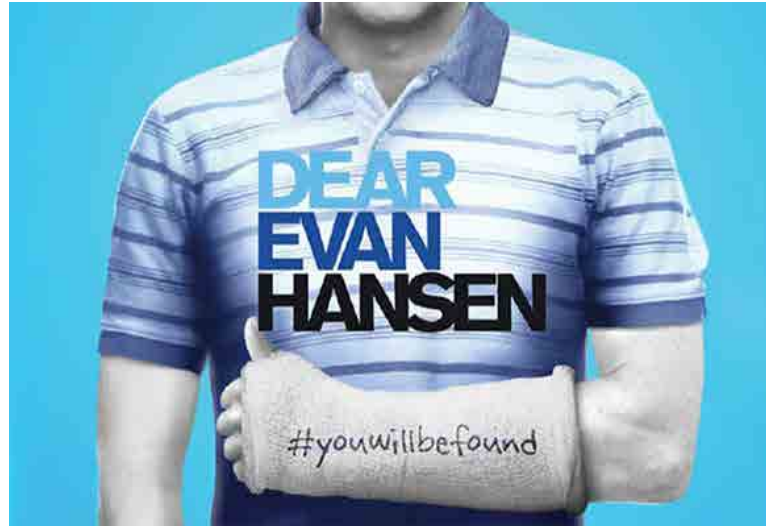
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48 hours before each show!***

The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust experienced new levels of demand for tickets during the 2018-2019 PNC Broadway in Pittsburgh season, including the Pittsburgh premiere of Dear Evan Hansen, playing Heinz Hall May 21 – May 26, 2019. Due to this unprecedented demand, tickets were extremely limited and the show sold out quickly during a pre-sale on Friday, April 5, 2019!

Dear Evan Hansen announced a digital ticket lottery in Pittsburgh, offering fans the chance to purchase a limited number of \$25 tickets available per performance. The digital lottery will begin accepting entries 48 hours prior to the first performance and entries will be accepted until 9 a.m. local time the day before the performance. Fans who have been selected will be notified daily via email and can then purchase up to two (2) tickets at \$25 each. The ticket lottery will continue on a rolling basis for every performance in the engagement. All entrants are encouraged to follow Dear Evan Hansen on Instagram (@dearevanhansen), Twitter (@dearevanhansen), and Facebook (@dearevanhansen) for additional lottery news and information.

Lottery entrants must be 18 years or older. A valid, non-expired photo ID that matches the name used to enter is required for pickup. Seat locations awarded by the lottery are subject to availability. Additional details and times will be announced in each tour city by the local theatre box office prior to the engagement. Additional lottery requirements can be found at LuckySeat.com/dearevanhansen.

The winner of six 2017 Tony Awards, including Best Musical, Dear Evan Hansen features a book by Tony Award-winner Steven Levenson, a score by Grammy®, Tony® and Academy Award® winners Benj Pasek and Justin Paul (La La Land, The Greatest Showman), and direction by four-time Tony Award nominee Michael Greif (Rent, Next to Normal). Declared “one of the most remarkable shows in musical theater history” by the Washington



Post's Peter Marks, Dear Evan Hansen opened at the Music Box Theatre to rave reviews on December 4, 2016, where it's broken all box office records and struck a chord with critics and audiences alike. In addition to winning six Tony awards, Dear Evan Hansen has won numerous other awards, including the 2017 Drama League Award for Outstanding Musical Production and for the off-Broadway production, two Obie Awards, a Drama Desk Award, and two Outer Critics Circle Awards and two Helen Hayes Awards. The Broadway production recently celebrated its two-year anniversary with a special donation to the Smithsonian, where the show's iconic blue polo and arm cast will now be part of the permanent collection at the National Museum of American History in Washington D.C.

The Grammy Award-winning Original Broadway Cast Recording of Dear Evan Hansen, produced by Atlantic Records, was re-released in February 2017, making an extraordinary debut on the Billboard 200 and entering the chart at #8 – the highest charting debut position for an original cast album since 1961 – and went on to win the 2018 Grammy Award for Best Musical Theater Album. A Deluxe Album of the Grammy-winning cast recording, with six bonus tracks including “Waving Through a Window” performed by pop star Katy Perry, was released digitally by Atlantic Records on November 2, 2018.

For more information, please visit PCT online FAQ at TrustArts.org/DearEvanHansenFAQ.

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The Grooming Gallery

The Grooming Gallery is the North Hills newest premiere pet grooming salon located at 120 Three Degree Road in the plaza next to Knuckleheads. The owner/groomer is Julie Krentz who has over 14 years' experience as a professional groomer and has owned salons in New York and Virginia. Prior to being trained as a groomer, Julie worked as a vet tech at an animal hospital for three years. As a vet tech she was trained in emergency care and handling which is a big plus in my mind when considering where to have your fur babies groomed.

Julie and her husband moved to Pittsburgh two years ago to be close to her family and three of her grandchildren, the loves of her life. Julie wanted again to own her own salon and a few months ago made her desire a reality by opening The Grooming Gallery and is thrilled to be a part of the North Hills grooming community.

Julie is highly professional and that definitely shows with her work, she attends continuing education classes for grooming several times each year to keep up on the very latest trends and grooming products and techniques. I believe that Julie is one of the most qualified and professional groomers in the

Greater Pittsburgh Area. Julie consistently shows great care and compassion for our fourlegged fur babies and works with her customers to meet and exceed their expectations, getting them what they want while keeping in mind what is best for your pet. She is happy to take the time that is necessary to work with owners and their fur babies to groom them to perfection, which is where her motto came from "The Grooming Gallery...where every pet is a work of art."

The Grooming Gallery is extremely warm and inviting with light lavenders and white color scheme, making it a very calming atmosphere. Julie's passion and eye for perfection definitely shows thru her work and communication skills. I think she might be an animal whisperer because animals seem to gravitate towards her and immediately you can see a sense of relaxation come over them. She is truly an amazing groomer and person!

For your next grooming, give Julie a call for a free consultation at 412.716.2352, visit her website nhgroominggalleries.com or Facebook page – The Grooming Gallery. 120 Three Degree Road – Pittsburgh, PA 15237.

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Kennywood's 121st Season Begins with Historical Dedication

Historical marker commemorating famed coaster designer sets the stage for addition of new record-setting ride



Historical Marker before unveiling



Heinz History Center Pres. Andy Masich

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As Kennywood readies to open its latest record-setting roller coaster, The Steel Curtain, later this summer, it's only fitting that America's Finest Traditional Amusement Park begin the year by paying homage to the builder of the park's first roller coasters.

Kennywood began its 121st season on Saturday, April 27 by welcoming Season Passholders for first crack at rides, games and Potato Patch® fries. The park fully opens to the public on May 4; daily operations begin on May 23.

When the gates opened on April 27, Kennywood, along with the Heinz History Center, American Coaster Enthusiasts (ACE) and the Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission (PHMC), dedicated a new PHMC marker recognizing Frederick Ingersoll, located at the entrance to Kennywood. The marker will join



L-R Heinz History Center Pres. Andy Masich, HHC Dir of Publications Brian Butko, Kennywood GM Jerome Gibas, ACE Western PA Regional Rep. Bill Linkenheimer



existing PHMC tributes to Kennywood Park and Braddock's Crossing in a new Historical Marker Garden at the park.

"There's no better example of our ongoing commitment to modern thrills and classic rides than what's happening at Kennywood right now," says park General Manager Jerome Gibas. "As we look ahead to an exciting future with Steel Curtain and Steelers Country opening later this year, we begin the season honoring the great history of amusement parks and rides in the Greater Pittsburgh area through the dedication of a marker to the man who built Kennywood's first roller coasters."

While work continues to get the record-setting Steel Curtain coaster and the unprecedented Steelers Country ready, guests will find new updates and additions elsewhere around the park. One of the most critical advancements comes in customer service, as Kennywood is now a Certified Autism Center. An inspector from the International Board of Credentialing and Continuing Education Standards (IBCCES)

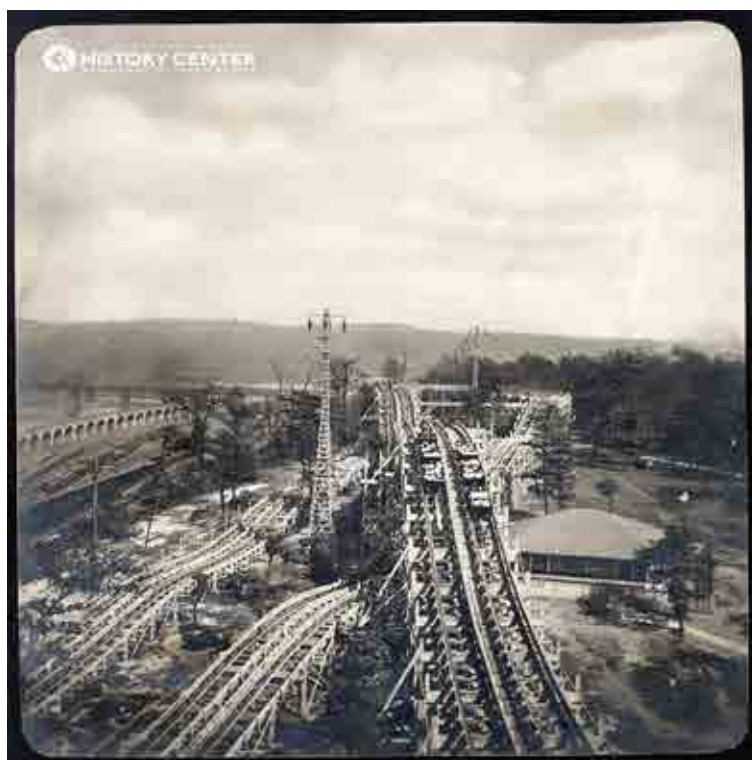


will visit Sunday to assess each attraction and help develop a Sensory Guide, which will be available on Kennywood.com in late May.

“When we looked at ways to improve guest service over the offseason, becoming a Certified Autism Center was at the top of our to-do list,” says Gibas. “Our mission at Kennywood is to provide the finest in family fun and entertainment, and ensuring we’re on the front lines in understanding and serving our guests who are on the autism spectrum is critical to achieving that mission.”

Also new this summer, Kennywood’s 4-D Theater will showcase two short feature films. San Andreas 4D Experience is an action-packed adventure as a rescue-chopper pilot (Dwayne Johnson) makes a dangerous journey to rescue his daughter in the aftermath of a massive earthquake. San Andreas 4D Experience features outstanding effects both on-screen and in-theater that will leave you breathless! The 4-D Theater is included with admission to Kennywood and will show San Andreas from 4 p.m. to park close daily, with Thomas & Friends 4-D: Bubbling Boilers showing from park opening to 4 p.m. Both films are approximately 15 minutes long.

But before San Andreas and Thomas & Friends take over the 4-D Theater, it’s time for some Kennywood Memories! During Season Passholder Weekend, Kennywood will host continuous screenings of WQED-TV’s That Kennywood Summer, revisiting the filming of the iconic Kennywood Memories documentary from 1988. This is one of many special activities available only to Season Passholders on April 27 & 28! For information on Season Passes, Kennywood’s schedule, admission prices, discount opportunities, special events and more, visit www.Kennywood.com or contact the park at 412-461-0500.



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The original family locally owned location opened as "The Outer Skin, for the inner you" in Homestead, just blocks from the Waterfront in 1990: With that same concept in mind, carrying any and everything under the adult roof they opened Lolita's Boutique in Jefferson Hills. The Outer Skin is more of a harder version, at 20,000 square feet with steel beams and a more masculine flavor. Lolita's Boutique has more of a feminine flair than its brother store. Lolita's is located in Jefferson Hills, 1601 Rt 51.

Lolita's Boutique and Outer Skin are both adult oriented stores catering to all types of lifestyles and body shapes. Their awesome selection and huge inventory spans these two huge stores and both are packed full of pure sensual overload. Their motto is, "Embrace your fantasy".

Whether you're looking for a new bra, post-mastectomy item, cross dressing, or doing an entire undergarment makeover, these two locations will outfit you perfectly and leave you with a confidence rivaling that of a Victoria's Secret Angel. Visit their selection of the best lingerie in the city and be the best (un-) dressed girl in the Burg.

Lolita's Boutique and Outer Skin both carry professional dancewear (virtually everything the professional dancer needs to perform) including dancing poles. They have a fantastic selection of shoes, platform shoes up to 8", plus sexy pumps in sizes 5-14, (wide and up to 16 can be special ordered). They also carry thigh hi boots, clear 4&5" for the show bodybuilders, theme shoes and boots for holidays and special occasions.

Both locations also carry a full line of S&M merchandise, leather, crops, floggers, medical play, bondage, collars and whatever your imagination desires, the Outer Skin probably has it. Plus there is also an adult toy room hosting the latest and hottest toys, and vibes, movies, any and every toy and pleasure product under the sun. Outer Skin has what you're looking for along



with their expertise and knowledge of their products they can help guide and assist you with every question and fetish.

Getting married, well they also carry a full line of bachelor and bachelorette novelty items and everything to make your party the best and most creative ever. For the bride or if you just want to feel sexy Outer Skin's line of corsets are incredible... or should I say corsets, corsets and more corsets! This is an extensive collection of gorgeous corsets from near and far plus they also have shelf bras, garter belts, bustiers, chemises, hosiery, baby dolls, bra sets, crotchless panties, skirts, and much much more.

The fantastic thing about Outer Skin and Lolita's is that they also carry a full line of plus sizes up to 4X offering the very best and widest sexy selection for plus sized curvy girls.

Outer Skin and Lolita's carries a full line of costumes and offer them year round with the greatest selection around... no cheesy poorly made costumes, we're talking quality, reasonably priced costumes, not like the costumes from those Halloween pop up stores. Some of their costumes include; Maids, Schoolgirls, Nurses, Gangsters, Cops, Storybook, Devils, Cat suits, petticoats, wings, 50's, 60's, 70's, 80's, 90's and every theme imaginable and if they don't have what you're looking for they can definitely order it for you.

Trust me they haven't forgotten about the guys.. for guys they carry a full line of men's thongs, fishnet, sexy boxers, costumes, leather, vests, g-stings, swimwear. If they don't have it in stock, their always happy to order it in for you! Come on in and visit them soon!

The Outer Skin is located at 416 East 8th Ave. (Rt 837) Munhall, PA just blocks from the Waterfront.. Phone: 412.561.5901

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Here are four reasons why you should think before you speak - the last one is great! Have you ever spoken and wished that you could immediately take the words back...or that you could crawl into a hole?

Here are the Testimonials of a few people who did....

FIRST TESTIMONY:

I walked into a hair salon with my husband and three kids in tow and asked loudly, "How much do you charge for a shampoo and a blow job?" I turned around and walked back out and never went back. My husband didn't say a word... he knew better.

SECOND TESTIMONY:

I was at the golf store comparing different kinds of golf balls. I was unhappy with the women's type I had been using. After browsing for several minutes, I was approached by one of the good-looking gentlemen who works at the store. He asked if he could help me. Without thinking, I looked at him and said, "I think I like playing with men's balls."

THIRD TESTIMONY:

My sister and I were at the mall and passed by a store that sold a variety of candy and nuts. As we were looking at the display case, the boy behind the counter asked if we needed any help. I replied, "No, I'm just looking at your nuts." My sister started to laugh hysterically. The boy grinned, and I turned beet-red and walked away. To this day, my sister has never let me forget.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST TESTIMONY:

This had most of the state of Michigan laughing for 2 days and a very embarrassed female news anchor who will, in the future, likely think before she speaks. What happens when you predict snow but don't get any! We had a female news anchor that, the day after it was supposed to have snowed and didn't, turned to the weatherman and asked:

"So Bob, where's that 8 inches you promised me last night?"

Not only did HE have to leave the set, but half the crew did too they were laughing so hard!

15 Things You Probably Never Knew or Thought About

1. At least 5 people in this world love you so much they would die for you.

2. At least 15 people in this world love you in some way.
3. The only reason anyone would ever hate you is because they want to be just like you.
4. A smile from you can bring happiness to anyone, even if they don't like you.
5. Every night, SOMEONE thinks about you before they go to sleep.
6. You mean the world to someone.
7. If not for you, someone may not be living.
8. You are special and unique.
9. Someone that you don't even know exists loves you.
10. When you make the biggest mistake ever, something good comes from it.
11. When you think the world has turned its back on you, take a look: you most likely turned your back on the world.
12. When you think you have no chance of getting what you want, you probably won't get it, but if you believe in yourself, probably, sooner or later, you will get it.
13. Always remember the compliments you received. Forget about the rude remarks.
14. Always tell someone how you feel about them; you will feel much better when they know.
15. If you have a great friend, take the time to let them know that they are great.

A Minute

They say it takes a minute to find a special person, an hour to appreciate them, a day to love them, but then an entire life to forget them.

Take the time .. to live and love.

New Rules

New Rule: Stop giving me that pop-up ad for classmates.com! There's a reason you don't talk to people for 25 years. Because you don't particularly like them! Besides, I already know what the captain of the football team is doing these days: mowing my lawn.

New Rule: Don't eat anything that's served to you out a window unless you're a seagull. People are acting all shocked that a human finger was found in a bowl of Wendy's chili. Hey, it cost less than a dollar. What did you expect it to contain? Trout?

New Rule : If you need to shave and you still collect baseball cards, you're a dope. If you're a kid, the cards are keepsakes of



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your idols. If you're a grown man, they're pictures of men.

New Rule: Ladies, leave your eyebrows alone. Here's how much men care about your eyebrows: do you have two of them? Okay, we're done.

New Rule: There's no such thing as flavored water. There's a whole aisle of this crap at the supermarket, water, but without that watery taste. Sorry, but flavored water is called a soft drink. You want flavored water? Pour some scotch over ice and let it melt. That's your flavored water.

New Rule: Stop f***ing with old people. Target is introducing a redesigned pill bottle that's square, with a bigger label. And the top is now the bottom. And by the time grandpa figures out how to open it, his ass will be in the morgue. Congratulations, Target, you just solved the Social Security crisis.

New Rule: The more complicated the Starbucks order, the bigger the idiots. If you walk into a Starbucks and order a "decaf grande half-soy, half-low fat, iced vanilla, double-shot, gingerbread cappuccino, extra dry, light ice, with one Sweet-n'-Low and one NutraSweet," ooh, you're a huge a-hole!

New Rule: I'm not the cashier! By the time I look up from sliding my card, entering my PIN number, pressing "Enter," verifying the amount, deciding, no, I don't want cash back, and pressing "Enter" again, the kid who is supposed to be ringing me up is standing there eating my Almond Joy.

New Rule: Just because your tattoo has Chinese characters in it doesn't make you spiritual. It's right above the crack of your butt. And it translates to "beef with broccoli." The last time you did anything spiritual, you were praying to God you weren't pregnant. You're not spiritual. You're just high.

New Rule: I don't need a bigger mega M&M. If I'm extra hungry for M&Ms, I'll go nuts and eat two.

New Rule: If you're going to insist on making movies based on crappy, old television shows, then you have to give everyone in the Cineplex a remote so we can see what's playing on the other screens. Let's remember the reason something was a television show in the first place is that the idea wasn't good enough to be a movie.

New Rule: No more gift registries. You know, it used to be just for weddings. Now it's for babies and new homes and graduations from rehab. Picking out the stuff you want and having other people buy it for you isn't gift giving, it's the white people version of looting.

END!!

Wifely Hint

When our lawn mower broke and wouldn't run, my wife kept hinting to me that I should get it fixed. But, somehow I always had something else to take care of first -- the truck, the car, fishing, always something more important to me. Finally she thought of a clever way to make her point. When I arrived home one day, I found her seated in the tall grass, busily snipping away with a tiny pair of sewing scissors. I watched silently for a short time and then went into the house. I was gone only a few minutes. When I came out again, I handed her a toothbrush. "When you finish cutting the grass," I said, "you might as well sweep the sidewalk." The doctors say I will eventually walk again, but I will always have a limp.

SINGLES CLUB IN THE VILLAGES:

Maude and Claude, both 91, lived in The Villages, in Florida. They met at the singles club meeting and discovered over time that they enjoyed each other's company. After several weeks of meeting for coffee, Claude asked Maude out for dinner and, much to his delight, she accepted. They had a lovely evening. They dined at the most romantic restaurant in town. Despite his age, they ended up at his place for an after-dinner drink. Things continued along a natural course and age being no inhibitor, Maude soon joined Claude for a most enjoyable roll in the hay. As they were basking in the glow of the magic moments they'd shared, each was lost for a time in their own thoughts.... Claude was thinking: "If I'd known she was a virgin, I'd have been gentler. Maude was thinking: "If I'd known he could still do it, I'd have taken off my pantyhose."

Nominated as the best short joke of the year:

A three-year-old boy was examining his testicles while taking a bath. "Mommy," he asked, "are these my brains?" She replied, "Not yet dear."

MIDDLE AGE:

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 Facelift, liposuction, and a tummy tuck. She even had someone come in and change her hair color. Since she had so much more time to live, she figured she might as well make the most of it. After her last operation, she was released from the hospital. While crossing the street on her way Home, she was killed by an ambulance. Arriving in front of God, she demanded, "I thought you said I had another 40 years? Why didn't you pull me from out of the path of the ambulance?" (You'll love this!!!) God replied, "I didn't recognize you."

A WOMAN'S POEM:

He didn't like the casserole
And he didn't like my cake.
He said my biscuits were too hard...
Not like his mother used to make.
I didn't perk the coffee right
He didn't like the stew,
I didn't mend his socks
The way his mother used to do.
I pondered for an answer
I was looking for a clue.
Then I turned around and smacked the crap out of him...
Like his MOMMA used to do.

LITTLE JOHNNY AND MARGARET MARY:

Little Mary Margaret was not the best student in Catholic School. Usually she slept through the class. One day her teacher, called on her while she was sleeping. "Tell me Mary Margaret, who created the universe?"! When Mary Margaret didn't stir, little Johnny who was her friend sitting behind her, took his pencil and jabbed her in the rear. "God Almighty!" shouted Mary Margaret. The Nun said, "Very good!" and continued teaching her class. A little later, the Nun asked Mary Margaret, "Who is our Lord and Savior?" But Mary didn't stir from her slumber. Once again, Johnny came to her rescue and stuck Mary Margaret in the butt. "Jesus Christ!!!" shouted Mary Margaret. Again, the Nun said, "Very good!" Mary Margaret fell back asleep. The Nun then asked her a third question... "What did Eve say to Adam after she had her twenty-third child?"

And once again, Johnny came to the rescue. This time Mary Margaret jumped up and shouted, If you stick that damn thing in me one more time, I'll break it in half!" The Nun fainted.

PREACHER MAN:

Did you hear about the preacher who told his congregation that the bible covered every subject on the face of the earth. They were relieved to know that the good Lord was taking care of every facet of their lives. One woman, troubled, met with the pastor one week claiming she had looked and looked and couldn't find one subject in the Bible. When asked what subject, the woman replied... "PMS" The pastor assured her he knew the Lord had provided, but he would take it upon himself to go through the Bible during the week to find the scripture that covered PMS. The following Sunday the woman eagerly approached him... He said he'd looked and looked and finally, late Saturday night a scripture had popped into his head. Everyone was relieved that the Lord had provided. The woman, anxious to have her fears relieved asked what the scripture regarding PMS said. The Pastor, taking out his Bible, pointed to the verse: ".....and Mary rode Joseph's ass all the way to Bethlehem!"

RELATIVES:

A couple drove several miles down a country road, not saying a word. An earlier discussion had led to an argument, and neither wanted to concede their position. As they passed a barnyard of mules and pigs, the wife sarcastically asked, "Relatives of yours?" "Yep," the husband replied, "In-laws."

IDIOTS EVERYWHERE: IDIOTS AT WORK.

I was signing the receipt for my credit card purchase when the clerk noticed that I had never signed my name on the back of the credit card. She informed me that she could not complete the transaction unless the card was signed. When I asked why, she explained that it was necessary to compare the signature on the credit card with the signature I just signed on the receipt. So I signed the credit card in front of her. She carefully compared that signature to the one I signed on the receipt. As luck would have it, they matched.

IDIOTS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

I live in a semi-rural area. We recently had a new neighbor call the local township administrative office to request the removal of the Deer Crossing sign on our road. The reason: many deer

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were being hit by cars and he no longer wanted them to cross there.

IDIOTS IN FOOD SERVICE

My daughter went to a local Taco Bell and ordered a taco. She asked the individual behind the counter for "minimal lettuce." He said he was sorry, but they only had iceberg.

IDIOT SIGHTINGS Sighting #1:

I was at the airport, checking in at the gate, when the airport employee asked, "Has anyone put anything in your baggage without your knowledge?" I said, "If it was without my knowledge, how would I know?" He smiled and nodded knowingly, "That's why we ask."

IDIOT SIGHTINGS #2:

The spotlight on the corner buzzes when it is safe to cross the street. I was crossing with an intellectually challenged co-worker of mine, when she asked if I knew what the buzzer was for. I explained that it signals to blind people when the light is red. She Responded, appalled, "What on earth are blind people doing driving?"

IDIOT SIGHTINGS #3:

At a good-bye lunch for three coworkers who is leaving the company due to "downsizing," our manager spoke up and said, "this is fun. We should have lunch like this more often." Not another word was spoken. We just looked at each other like deer staring into the headlights of an approaching truck.

IDIOT SIGHTINGS #4:

I worked with an Individual who plugged her power strip back into itself and for the life of her could not understand why her system would not turn on.

A CURE FOR SNORING:

A woman had a dog who snored in his sleep. She went to the vet to see if he could help. The vet told the woman to tie a ribbon around the dog's testicles and he would stop snoring. That night, the dog snored as usual. The woman went to the closet and grabbed a piece of ribbon. She tied it around the dog's testicles, and, sure enough, the dog stopped snoring. The woman was amazed. Later that night, the woman's husband returned home drunk from a night out with his buddies. He climbed into bed, fell asleep, and began snoring very loudly. The woman woke up, cursed, and thought about how well the ribbon worked on the dog. She went to the closet, grabbed a piece of ribbon, and tied it around her husband's testicles. Amazingly

it worked! The woman slept soundly. The next morning the husband woke up with a hangover. He staggered to the bathroom. As he is standing in front of the toilet, he sees a blue ribbon around his scrotum. He is very confused. He walks back into the bedroom and sees a red ribbon around his dog's scrotum. He looks at the dog and says, "WOW, whatever the hell we did last night, we got first and second place."

TONSILECTOMY:

Two kids are in a hospital, lying on stretchers next to each other, outside the operating room. The first kid leans over and asks, "What are you in here for?" The second kid says, "I'm in here to get my tonsils out and I'm a little nervous." The first kid says, "You've got nothing to worry about. I had that done when I was four. They put you to sleep, and when you wake up they give you lots of Jell-O and ice cream. It's a breeze!" The second kid then asks, "What are you here for?" The first kid says, "A circumcision." And the second kid says, "Whoa! I had that done when I was born. I couldn't walk for a year!"

APPETITE SUPPRESSANT:

A woman asks her husband, "Would you like some bacon and eggs? A slice of toast and maybe some grapefruit and coffee?" He declines. "Thanks for asking, but I'm not hungry right now. It's this Viagra," he says. "It's really taken the edge off my appetite." At lunchtime she asked if he would like something. "A bowl of soup, homemade muffins, or a cheese sandwich?" He declines. "The Viagra," he says, "really trashes my desire for food." Come dinnertime, she asks if he wants anything to eat. "Would you like a juicy ribeye steak and scrumptious apple pie? Or maybe a rotisserie chicken or tasty stir fry?" He declines again. "No, still not hungry." "Well," she says, "would you mind letting me up? I'm starving."

SENIOR CITIZEN'S BUS TRIP:

A senior citizens' group charts a bus from Burlington IA, to Branson MO. As they entered Missouri, an elderly woman comes up to the driver and says, "I've just been molested!" The driver felt that she had fallen asleep and had a dream.? So he tells her to go back to her seat, and sit down. A short time later, another old woman comes forward, and claims that she was just molested. ?The driver thought he had a bus load of old



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wackos, but who would be molesting those old ladies? About 10 minutes later, a third old lady comes up and says that she'd been molested too. The bus driver decides that he'd had enough and pulls into the first rest area. When he turns the lights on and stands up, he sees an old man on his hands and knees crawling in the aisles. "Hey gramps, what are you doing down there?" says the bus driver. "I lost my toupee.? I thought I found it three times, but every time I try to grab it, it runs away!!!"

INDIAN IN TRAINING:

An Indian walks into a cafe with a shotgun in one hand pulling a male buffalo with the other. He says to the waiter, "Want coffee." The waiter says, "Sure chief, coming right up." He gets the Indian a tall mug of coffee. The Indian drinks the coffee down in one gulp, turns and blasts the buffalo with the shotgun, causing parts of the animal to splatter every where, then just walks out. The next morning the Indian returns. He has his shotgun in one hand pulling another male buffalo with the other. He walks up to the counter and says to the waiter, "Want coffee." The waiter says, "Whoa, Tonto! We're still cleaning up your mess from yesterday. What was all that about, anyway?"

The Indian smiles and proudly says, "Training for upper management position in United States Government: Come in, drink coffee, shoot the bull, leave mess for others to clean up, disappear for rest of day.

HALLMARK CARDS:

1. "Looking back over the years that we've been together, I can't help but wonder: What the hell was I thinking?"
2. "Congratulations on your wedding day! Too bad no one likes your wife."
3. How could two people as beautiful as you have such an ugly baby?"
4. "I've always wanted someone to hold, someone to love. After having met you, I've changed my mind."
5. "I must admit, you brought Religion into my life. I never believed in Hell until I met you."
6. "As the days go by, I think of how lucky I am that you're not here to ruin it for me."
7. "If I get only one thing for Christmas, I hope it's your sister."
8. "As you grow older , Mom, I think of all the gifts you've given me. Like the need for therapy..."
9. "Thanks for being part of my life!! I never knew what evil was before this!!"

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10. "Congratulations on your promotion! Before you go, would you like to take this knife out of my back? You'll probably need it again."
11. "Someday I hope to get married, but not to you."
12. "Happy Birthday! You look great for your age....Almost Lifelike!"
13. "When we were together, you always said you'd die for me. Now that we've broke up, I think it's time you kept your promise!"
14. "I knew the day would come when you would leave me for my best friend. So here's his leash, water bowl and chew toys."
15. "We have been friends for a very long time, what say we call it quits."
16. "I'm so miserable without you, it's almost like you're still here."
17. "Congratulations on your new bundle of joy. Did you ever find out who the father was?"
18. "You are such a good friend that if we were on a sinking ship and there was only one life jacket....I'd miss you heaps and think of you often."
19. "Your friends and I wanted to do something special for your birthday.... so we're having you put to sleep."
20. "Happy Birthday, Uncle Dad!!"
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RETIREMENT:

As we all know, when we hit retirement age we come face to face with the fact that it may be time to relocate. The big question is: where? Here are some tips. You can live in Phoenix, Arizona where.....

1. You are willing to park 3 blocks away because you found shade. :-)
2. You can open and drive your car without touching the car door or the steering wheel.
3. You've experienced condensation on your butt from the hot water in the

toilet bowl.

4. You would give anything to be able to splash cold water on your face.
5. You can attend any function wearing shorts and a tank top.
6. "Dress Code" is meaningless at high schools and universities. Picture lingerie ads.
7. You can drive for 4 hours in one direction and never leave town.
8. You have over 100 recipes for Mexican food.
9. The 4 seasons are: tolerable, hot, really hot, and ARE YOU KIDDING ME??!!
10. You know that "dry heat" is comparable to what hits you in the face when you open your oven door.

You can Live in California where...

1. You make over \$250,000 and you still can't afford to buy a house.
2. The high school quarterback calls a time-out to answer his cell phone.
3. The fastest part of your commute is going down your driveway.
4. You know how to eat an artichoke.
5. You drive your rented Mercedes to your neighborhood block party.
6. When someone asks you how far something is, you tell them how long it will take to get there rather than how many miles away it is.

You can Live in New York City where...

1. You say "the city" and expect everyone to know you mean Manhattan.
2. You have never been to the Statue of Liberty or the Empire State Building.
3. You can get into a four-hour argument about how to get from Columbus Circle to Battery Park, but can't find Wisconsin on a map.
4. You think Central Park is "nature,"

5. You believe that being able to swear at people in their own language makes you multi-lingual.
6. You've worn out a car horn.
7. You think eye contact is an act of aggression.

You can Live in Maine where...

1. You only have four spices: salt, pepper, ketchup, and Tabasco.
2. Halloween costumes fit over parkas.
3. You have more than one recipe for moose.
4. Sexy lingerie is anything flannel with less than eight buttons.
5. The four seasons are: winter, still winter, almost winter, and construction.

You can Live in the Deep South where...

1. You can rent a movie and buy bait in the same store.
2. "y'all" is singular and "all y'all" is plural.
3. After five years you still hear, "You ain't from 'round here, are Ya?"
4. "He needed killin' " is a valid defense.
5. Everyone has 2 first names: Billy Bob, Jimmy Bob, Mary Sue, Betty Jean, MARY BETH, etc.

You can live in Colorado where...

1. You carry your \$3,000 mountain bike atop your \$500 car.

2. You tell your husband to pick up Granola on his way home and he stops at the day care center.
3. A pass does not involve a football or dating.
4. The top of your head is bald, but you still have a pony tail.

You can live in the Midwest where...

1. You've never meet any celebrities, but the mayor knows your name.
2. Your idea of a traffic jam is ten cars waiting to pass a tractor.
3. You have had to switch from "heat" to "A/C" on the same day.
4. You end sentences with a preposition: "Where's my coat at?"
5. When asked how your trip was to any exotic place, you say, "It was different!"

AND You can live in Florida where...

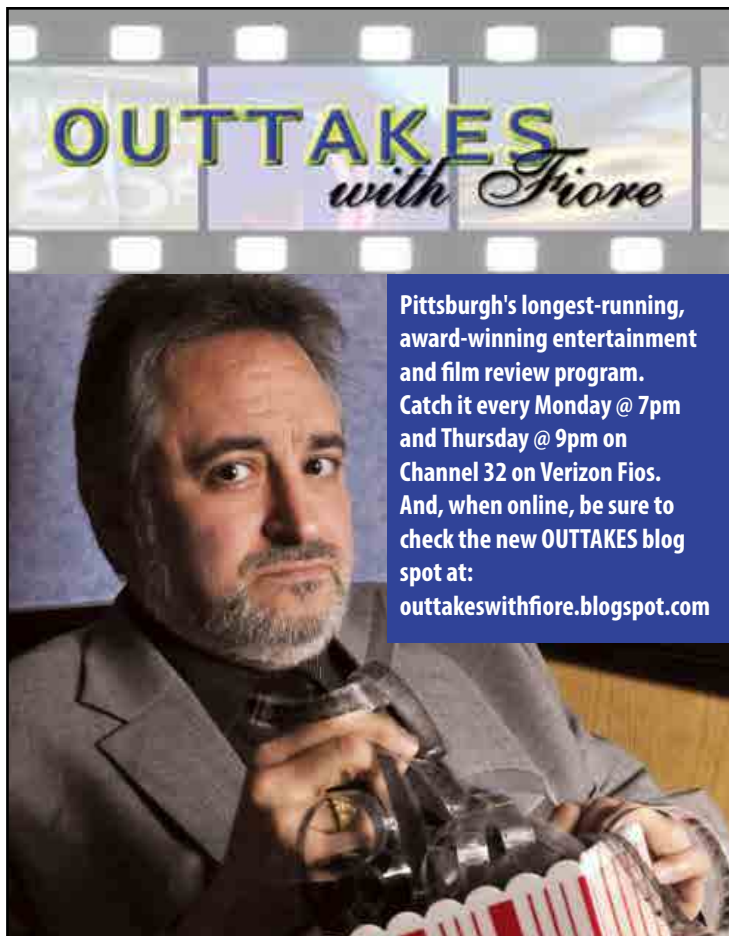
1. You eat dinner at 3:15 in the afternoon.
2. All purchases include a coupon of some kind -- even houses and cars.
3. Everyone can recommend an excellent dermatologist.
4. Road construction never ends anywhere in the state.
5. Cars in front of you are often driven by headless people.



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50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

A man and his wife were celebrating 50 years together. Their three kids, all very successful, agreed to a Sunday dinner in their honor. "Happy Anniversary Mom and Dad," gushed son number one... "Sorry I'm running late... had an emergency, you know how it is, didn't have time to get you both a present." "Not to worry," said the Dad... "the important thing is that we're all here together today." Son number two arrived and announced, "you and Mom still look great, Dad just flew in from L.A. and didn't have time to get you a present... Sorry." "It's nothing," said the father, "Glad you were able to be here." Just then the daughter arrived, "Hello both of you, Happy Anniversary! I'm sorry, but my boss is sending me out of town and I was really busy packing... so I didn't have time to get you guys anything." Again the father said, "I really don't care, at least the five of us are together today." After they had all finished dessert, the father put down his knife and fork, looked up and said, "Listen up, all three of you, there's something your mother and I have wanted to tell you for a long time. You see, we were very poor. Despite this, we were able to raise each of you and send you to college. All through the years your mother and I knew that we loved each other very much but... we just never found the time to get married." The three kids gasp and said, "You mean we're bastards?" "Yep," said the Dad. "and cheap ones too!"

BABY BOOMER LYRICS:

Some of the artists of the 60s are revising their hits with new lyrics to accommodate the aging baby boomers.

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- Ringo Starr -- I Get By With a Little Help From Depends.
- Roberta Flack -- The First Time Ever I Forgot Your Face.
- Johnny Cash -- I Can't See Clearly Now.
- Paul Simon -- Fifty Ways to Lose Your Liver
- The Commodores -- Once, Twice, Three Times to the Bathroom.
- Marvin Gaye -- Heard It Through the Grape Nuts.
- Leo Sayer -- You Make Me Feel Like Napping.
- The Temptations -- Papa's Got a Kidney Stone.
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Q Name the four seasons.

A: Salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar.

Q: Explain one of the processes by which water can be made safe to drink.

A: Flirtation makes water safe to drink because it removes large pollutants like grit, sand, dead sheep and canoeists.

Q: How is dew formed?

A: The sun shines down on the leaves and makes them perspire.

Q: How can you delay milk from turning sour? (brilliant, love this!)

A: Keep it in the cow.

Q: What causes the tides in the oceans?

A: The tides are a fight between the Earth and the Moon. All water tends to flow towards the moon, because there is no water on the moon, and nature hates a vacuum. I forget where the sun joins in this fight.

Q: What are steroids?

A: Things for keeping carpets still on the stairs.

Q: What happens to your body as you age?

A: When you get old, so do your bowels and you get intercontinental.

Q: What happens to a boy when he reaches puberty?

A: He says good-bye to his boyhood and looks forward to his adultery.

Q: Name a major disease associated with cigarettes

A: Premature death.

Q: What is artificial insemination?

A: When the farmer does it to the bull instead of the cow.

Q: How are the main parts of the body categorized?

(e.g.abdomen)

A: The body is consisted into three parts ? the brainium, the borax and the abdominal cavity. The brainium contains the brain, the borax contains the heart and lungs, and the abdominal cavity contains the five bowels, A, E,I, O and U.

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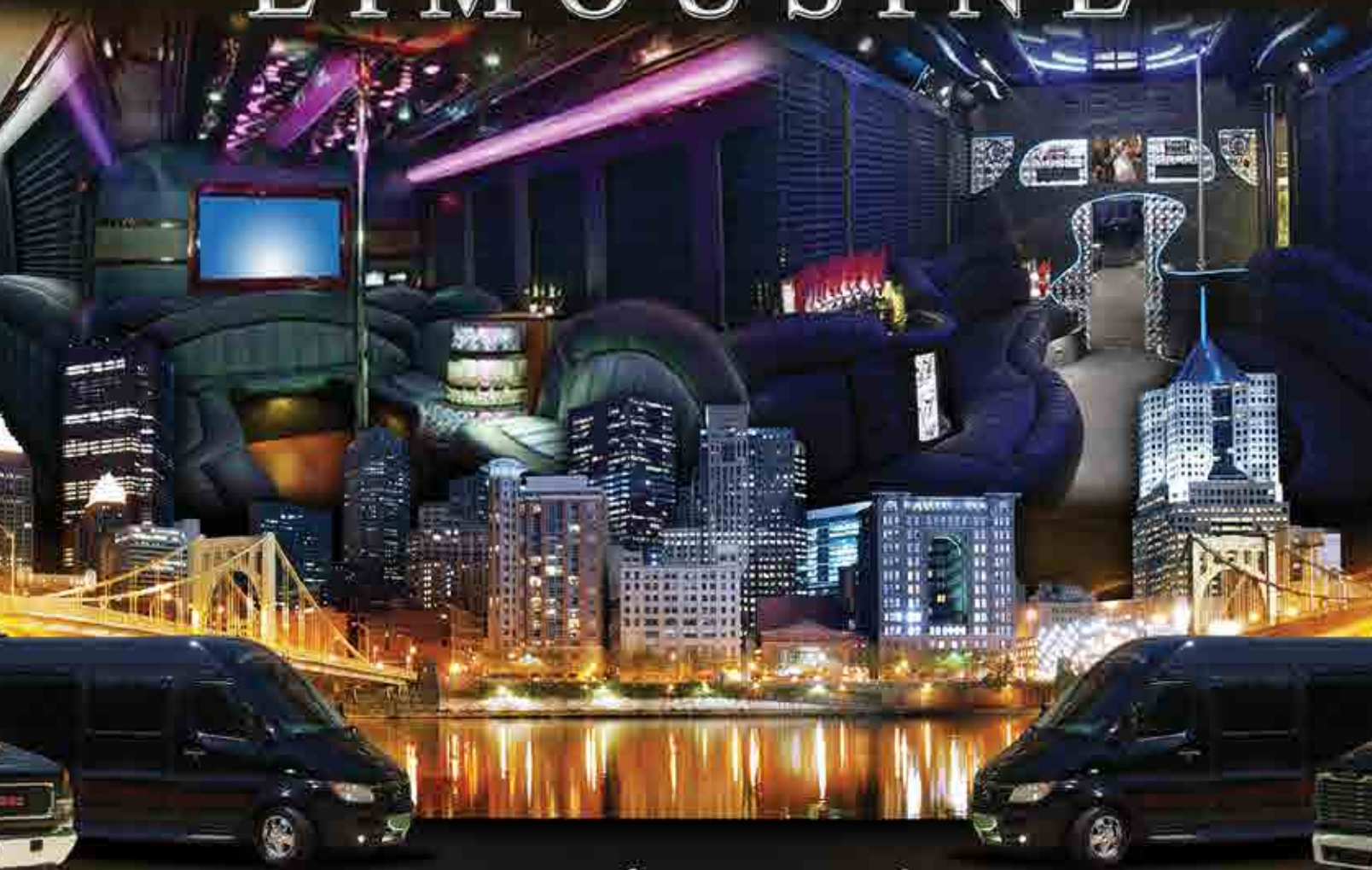
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