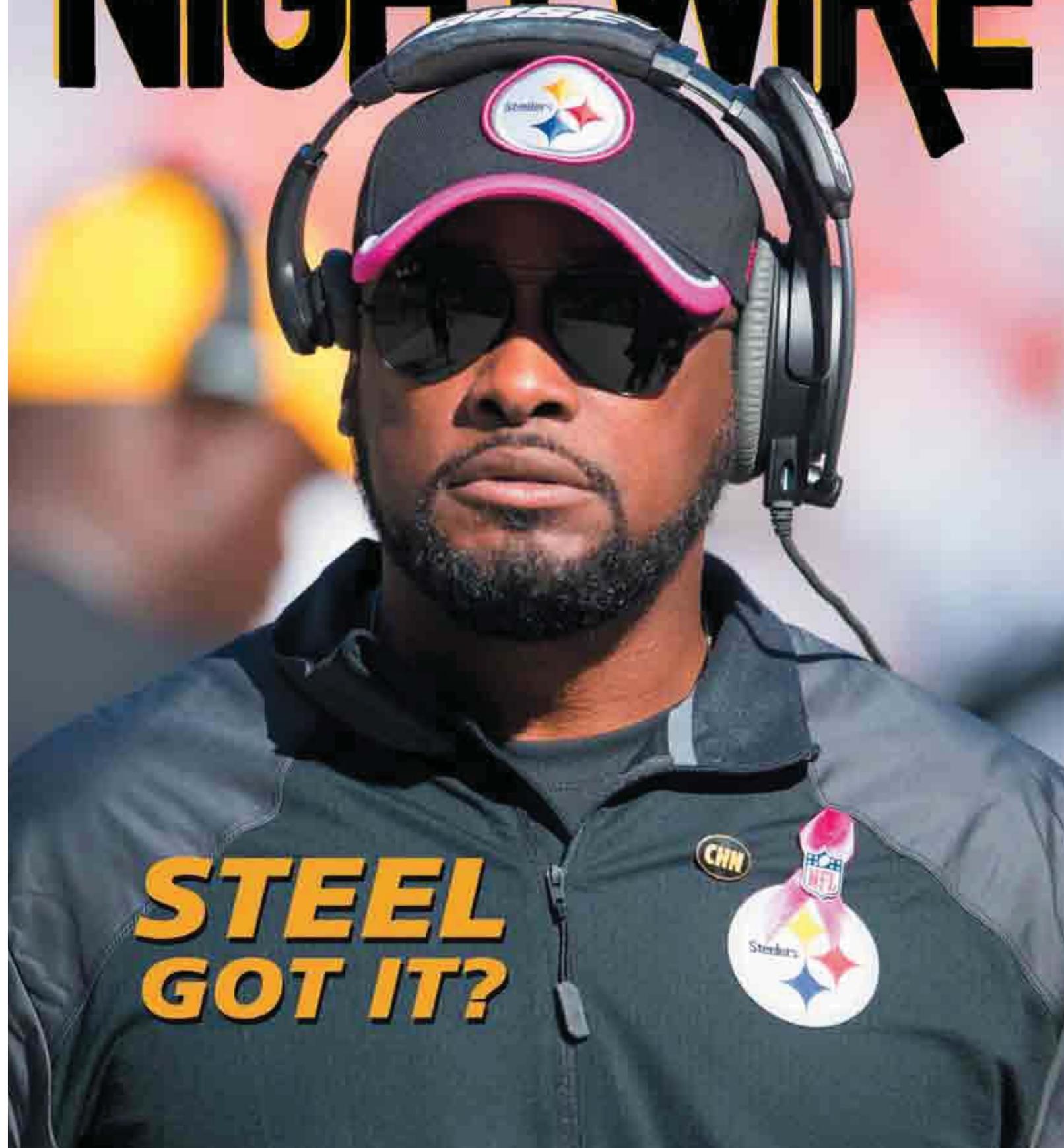


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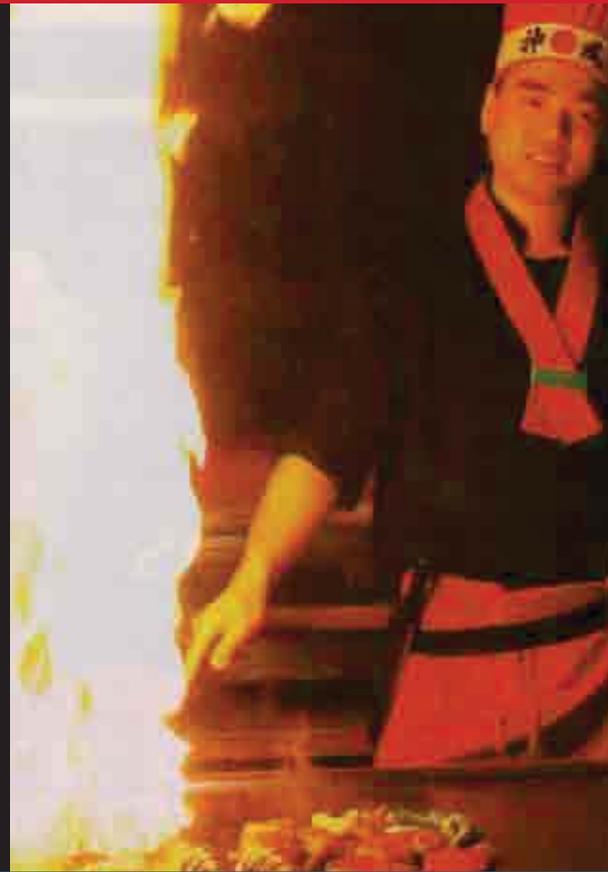
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The Off-Season is On

It was a beautiful night. A celebration of baseball and love - some would say they are one and the same - took place on the North Shore on the first of October. The Wild Card game and my wedding

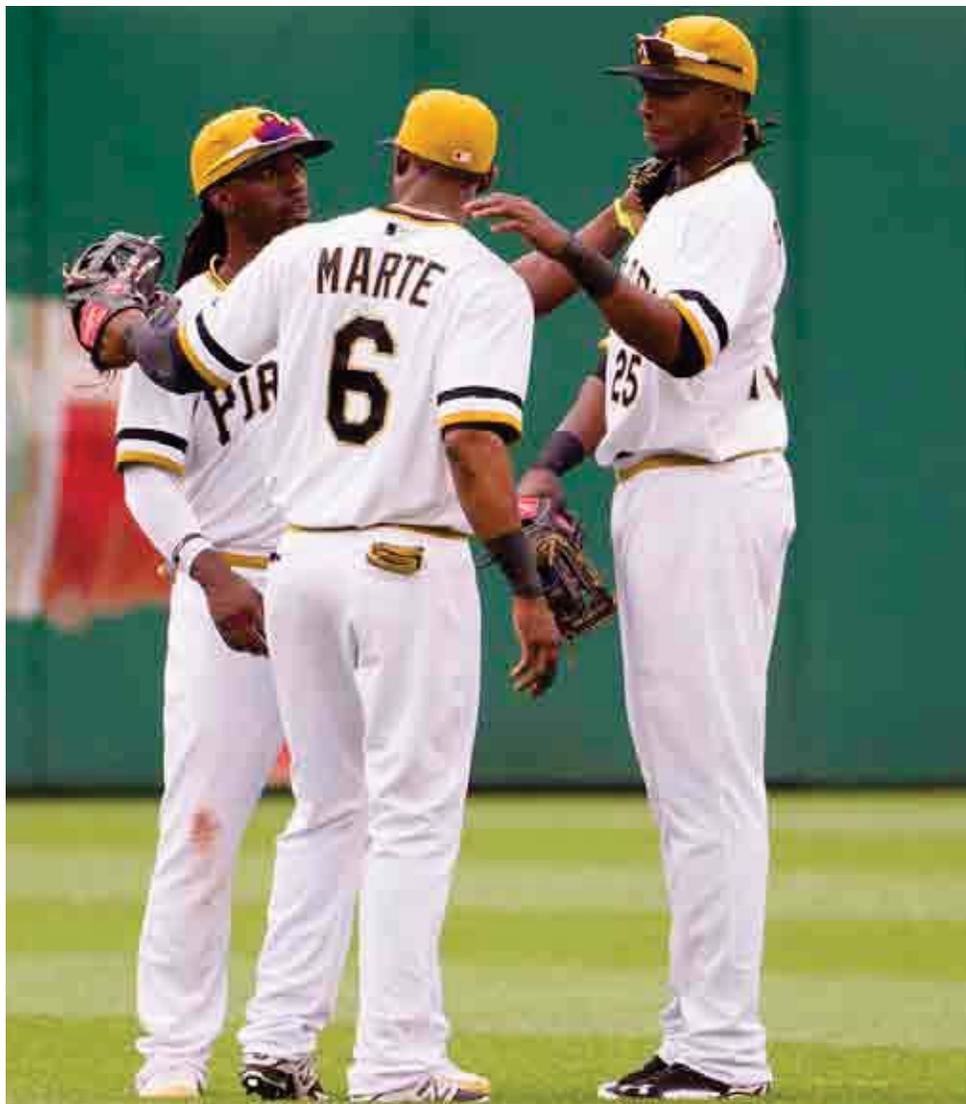
anniversary melding together just like they did last year on that magical evening. Of course, this year didn't result in a division series berth for a gift, and was as underwhelming as last year was riveting.

After two postseason appearances in a row, will the Pirates continue to contend? What do they need to do in the offseason to keep playing winning, competitive baseball?

There's a chance the Pirates are going to look quite different when they open the season in Cincinnati on April 6, 2015. As well they should. There will be free agent losses, signings, value pick ups and position battles. It seems all but inevitable that Russell Martin will decline the \$15.3 million qualifying offer the Pirates will extend. Could this be the year someone accepts the one year deal? There hasn't been a player to sign a qualifying offer since its inception. Doubt Martin will be the first.

What's the backstop backup plan? While the team has soured on Tony Sanchez behind the plate, another young catcher has leapfrogged him on the catching prospect organizational depth chart. 23 year old Elias Diaz. We've been hearing a lot of him lately. About how his improved glove and bat work led to a quick rise this year in the minors. About how he pushed Sanchez 90 feet away to first base. About how his defensive skills have been on display in the Arizona Fall League. He will most certainly be in spring training at Pirate City to compete and make an impression.

Diaz has already made an impression on top pitching prospect, Tyler Glasnow. He said that Diaz has "a cannon" and Neal Huntington called his arm "the best in our system." Baseball America ranked him as the best defensive catcher in the Double A Eastern League. Chris Stewart will most likely start the year - if they don't





miraculously resign Russell Martin - but if this kid proves himself in Triple A, he might surprise some folks.

The Pirates need to address this black hole of a cleanup spot that has plagued this team for too long. Their number four batters were next to last in the National League, batting a paltry .225 with an OPS that couldn't crack .700. That's a substantial decline from the 2013 season where cleanup hitters batted .258/.328/.433, which wasn't anything to write home about either. But they just got worse. Of course a big part of the problem was the conundrum that is Pedro Alvarez.

Alvarez owned the NLDS with three home runs and a batting average that topped .350 against the Cardinals in 2013. He batted in the six spot, but earned the opportunity to enter this season as the Pirates' undeniable cleanup hitter. It's what the front office projected him to be when they drafted him number two overall six years ago. It's his natural position in the batting order. He is the only insta-bomb threat in the lineup. Sure Andrew McCutchen can blast one. Yeah Neil Walker can leave the park. Neither of them have the pure power and ability to change the game as easily as Alvarez does. So he began the season hitting fourth, and then everything fell apart and Alvarez lost his baseball mind. Where he ends up on the field is yet to be determined, but a successful Pedro changes the dynamic of the offense.

The four hitter isn't the only nagging nuisance that hasn't be remedied year to year. Clamors from the public for a power hitting first baseman have grown louder. First base is the bane of Pirate fandom. Lately, the first basemen have manned the cleanup spot, so we know

that isn't good. Ike Davis and Gaby Sanchez are both arbitration eligible and with Alvarez in the mix and possibly Lambo or Tony Sanchez, there's too many gloves at first. So many decisions hinge on how Pedro bounces back and where he will play.

Of course, the Pirates could also lose forty percent of their starting rotation, arguably the best parts. Edinson Volquez had a career best 3.04 ERA to make his \$5 million signing look very smart. His recruiter also had a resurgence. Once healthy, Francisco Liriano reverted back to his 2013 form after the all star break and finished the season with a 3.38 ERA and an opponent batting average of just .218. Both free agents are sure to seek multi year deals. Signing one will be critical since the rest of the rotation is shaky after Gerrit Cole. Scouts will have their reclamation project glasses on for buy low candidates, but without Russell Martin, it'll be harder to turn guys around. Not impossible because Jim Benedict and Ray Searage are still on board, but harder nevertheless. If I had to predict who would sign, it would be Volquez.

Free Agency begins in earnest on the sixth day following the end of the World Series. We'll find out if there will be a player to sign the qualifying offer, which team will break the bank for a guy or two and pieces will start falling into place. The Hot Stove is about to be fired up.

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Who Are These Steelers?

At what point in the NFL season does a team find its identity? When do you know whether you are ground and pound, finesse, big play, or even soft? The bigger question might be - how do you know? At halfway through the sixteen game schedule, it's time to define the type of football team the Steelers are, although that's much easier said than done. Fans might label this year's team as infuriating. Win a game, lose a game. Stringing together back to back victories for the first time by beating the Texans and the Colts to go to 5-3 through the first eight weeks of the season, you want to believe they are starting to find consistency to kick off the second half of

the schedule.

What has been consistent this year has been the focus on improving the run game from a putrid 2013 rushing attack. It was more like a rushing retreat, actually. Mustering 1,383 yards on the entire season, averaging just 3.5 yards a carry and 86 yards per game, it felt like the twilight zone. This couldn't be Steelers football. The addition of LeGarrette Blount, a healthy Le'Veon Bell and a more solid offensive line have injected life into the ground game this year. The Steelers are on pace to surpass last year's rushing totals in early November. Bell isn't just making an impact on the ground either. Through eight games he is the team's second leading pass catcher. Success in the second half runs through a versatile Le'Veon Bell.

Ben Roethlisberger has been good with the football, throwing only 3 interceptions to 16 touchdowns, and Antonio Brown continues to be the star of the receiving corps. But who will emerge as the Robin to his Batman? Veteran Lance Moore hasn't been involved much in the offense so far and Markus Wheaton hasn't shown that he can be trusted to make plays. The guy drafted to be Roethlisberger's big target, Martavis Bryant, was locked up in inactive prison for the first six games. He was finally released by Mike Tomlin versus the Texans and immediately made an impact, catching a touchdown on his first NFL career reception. He's added more scoring receptions since. Bryant is the one who will stretch the field and give defensive coordinators fits. He will make this offense dynamic.

While the offense is skilled and has the potential to be quite explosive, the defense is another story. Who are these guys? Have early injuries to long time starting cornerback Ike Taylor, and the last two first round draft picks, linebackers Ryan Shazier and Jarvis Jones, put Dick LeBeau in a hole? Free agent safety Mike Mitchell is rounding into form lately, but has been somewhat disappointing to start the season. One might expect to need a transition period after missing a lot of training camp with an injury, and here's to hoping he is getting the scheme together because he is a critical cog in the secondary. The cornerbacks aren't overly trustworthy and need support not only from the safety position, but also in the form of quarterback pressure.

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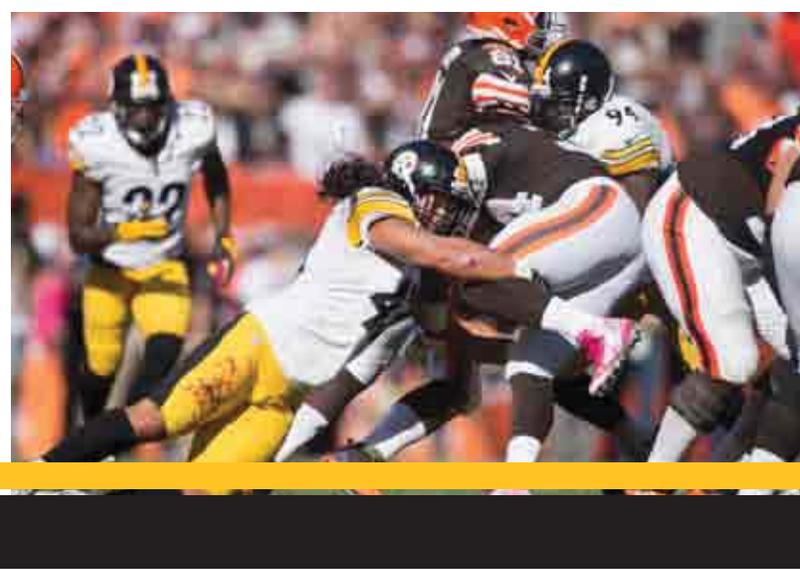
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Pressuring the quarterback hasn't been a strength this year. Deja vu, huh? It's been an issue for the Steelers for several seasons. The last time an opposing team feared the Steelers defense in actuality and not just on reputation, was in 2010. The last time the team made it to the Super Bowl. Since then, it's been more like the lace curtain. They have a dozen sacks in eight games. There are individual defensive players around the league that have nearly as many sacks as the entire Steelers defense combined. Since not bringing Casey Hampton back after the 2012 season, they have yet to replace his production at nose tackle. It's a huge hole on the defensive line and we all know that is where games are won. In the trenches.

Making a statement starts at kickoff. Opponents have scored on opening drives seven out of eight games so far this season, so the defense isn't setting the right kinda tone early. Former head coach Bill Cowher and the franchise's leading wide receiver, Hines Ward, have both slapped the soft label on this team. Injured? Yes. Not as talented as years past? Yes. Soft? Not so sure. The inexplicable last second collapse to a winless Tampa Bay team featured a soft defense. The two embarrassing losses to division rivals Baltimore and Cleveland made the team look soft. But I don't believe that's the real Steelers defense. With Ryan Shazier on the way back for the second half of the season, Mike Mitchell getting a grip on his role in the scheme and if, that's a big "if", the line can create pressure by blitzing without giving up big plays, the defense will look a lot different.

All in all, the Steelers are an efficient, balanced offensive team with big play power and a developing defensive team that has some work to do. If they can play to their potential and here comes an old cliché - just play their game, without playing down to the competition - they have a chance to win the division and get back in the playoffs after a two year hiatus.

They "Steel" got it!

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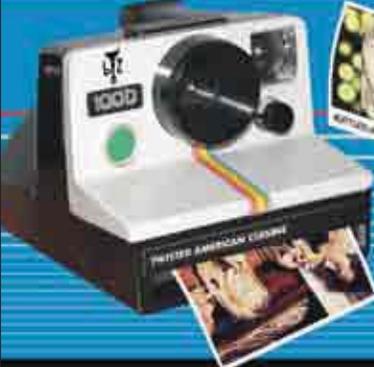




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The Wild World of Lambics

by Brian Meyer

Beer is one of the oldest beverages in the world. With traces of the beverage found in Egyptian tombs and even laws concerning it listed in the Code of Hammurabi, beer definitely has some history behind it. Lambic beer is one of the oldest styles of beer available today that still retains much of its original taste and recipe. Lambic are a very unique style of beer that uses spontaneous fermentation to produce a dry, vinous taste that often has a tart or sour tinge of flavor to it. These beers are often low on the ABV scale and huge on taste. Lambics are definitely a unique creature, which is why few breweries can make them well, if at all.

Lindemans Brewery, based southwest of Brussels in the small town of Vlezenbeek, has been brewing lambic beers commercially since 1822. The brewers of these unique beers wasn't first introduced to the United States however until 1979, making Lindemans the first lambic beers marketed in the US as well as the best selling still today.

What is a Lambic Beer?

So what exactly is a lambic beer? These amazing and solely unique beers are often misunderstood, mislabeled, and even mis-translated. Sometimes considered "fruity" beers or even misunderstood as champagne; lambic beers hold a unique place in beer history.

Lambic beers use wild yeast along with malted barley, unmalted wheat, and aged hops to give a truly unique beer experience that is unlike just about any other beer you've ever had. A common misconception about lambic beers is that they're meant for people that don't like "regular" beer, and while they are sweeter and flavored oftentimes with fruit, lambic beers hold a special place in our history with beer and can easily be enjoyed alongside more common beer styles, just as something very different.

Lambic beers in the past were commonly drank in place of water, so their ABV was traditionally low for this reason. Since fermentation isn't controlled as it is with other styles of beer, ABV is commonly lower than these others as well, too.

The Lambic Beers of Lindemans Brewery

Lindemans Framboise (Raspberry)

Easily the most popular and most familiar of Lindemans lambic beers, Framboise (pronounced fram-bwa) is made with raspberries and offers a tart, semi-sour taste. Highly effervescent and sweet as well as tart, Framboise is Lindemans most popular beer for a very good reason.

ABV - 2.5%

Aroma - Sweet, fruity raspberry with some funk from the wild yeast.

Taste - Taste is dominated by the tart raspberries and followed up with a sweet middle and a tart, somewhat sour finish.

Finish - Tart raspberries with an acidic tinge. No bitterness whatsoever.

Lindemans Kriek (Cherry)

Next up in popularity is Lindemans Kriek (pronounced creek). This cherry lambic is acidic while being sweet and has a strong taste of black cherries. Lindemans uses a proprietary method for adding cherry juice from unfrozen cherries to a blend of

lambic beers of various ages. The result is a pinkish-red beer that has the taste of sparkling cherry champagne while still keeping the funky, acidic taste that lambics are known for.

ABV - 3.5%

Aroma - A strong smell of cherries is on the front of the aroma along with some malty sweetness and a slightly funky back.

Taste - as expected, cherries dominate this beer's taste, in a very good way. The middle is very sweet and effervescent with an acidic end.

Finish - Lindemans Kriek finishes with an acidic aftertaste that's paired with sweet cherries. This taste, combined with the maltiness of this beer, give it an amazingly refreshing taste and makes it an all around great beer, especially for warm weather.

Lindemans Peche (Peach)

In keeping with the fruity lambics, Peche (pronounced pesh), or Peach to us in the US is golden in color and screams fresh peach from the moment you remove the cork. Crisp, slightly tart, and full of peach flavor, this beer still holds true to the lambic style while giving amazingly true-to-life peach flavor.

ABV - 2.5%

Aroma - Strong aroma of sweet peaches dominates the first smell, but after that traces of yeast and some slight malt can be found, too.

Taste - The strong aroma of this beer has nothing on the taste. Huge peach flavor that's balanced out with the acidic funkiness of a lambic beer. Behind the peach taste are traces of tangerine and malt as well.

Finish - Peche finishes with a clean, sweet taste that leaves a remnant of the peach flavor. Less acidic than other lambics from Lindemans, this beer is sweet without being cloying.

Lindemans Cassis (Black Currant)

Another amazing fruit lambic from Lindemans is their Cassis (pronounced cass-ees), which is made with black currants.

The currant has been used in Belgium for centuries as an ingredient in beers as well as liquors, and gives the beer a smell and taste similar to blackberries but slightly more tart

ABV - 3.5%

Aroma - The aroma is pretty easily identified as blackberries with some less identifiable funkiness from the wild yeast in the background. This gives the beer an earthy aroma that's underneath the strong fruit smell.

Taste - The taste is similar to the aroma with some sweetness added and a little acidic funk in the middle.

Finish - Cassis finishes with a slightly heavier mouthfeel than the other beers from Lindemans, but in a good way. The carbonation is more noticeable and you're left with a



With Lindemans Brewing

sweet aftertaste that has a hint of blackberry to it.

Lindemans Pomme (Apple)

The last of the fruity lambics in this list, Pomme (pronounced pum) is Lindemans apple lambic beer.

Smooth, with a light body and lots of green apple taste, anyone who loves apples will definitely enjoy this beer. ABV - 3.5%

Aroma - Green apples up front with tartness you can smell. There is some funky yeast present in the aroma, but what you're going to get most is tart apple.

Taste - Tart, acidic apples with a slightly earthy undertone. The taste is dominated by apples but the tart

lambic taste comes through nicely. Apples are present but don't rob the overall taste from the lambic.

Finish - Finish is light and tart with some lasting apple flavor. The mouthfeel is medium and somewhat acidic with a puckering effect, but overall a great experience.

Lindemans Faro

Faro (pronounced fair-oh) is a sugary lambic that focuses on the sweet aspect of the beer, giving it a sweet yet complex body that's far more than just sugar. This style of lambic beer while fairly common in and around Brussels is very uncommon in the US.

The sugar added to this beer helps to balance out the acidic tartness that is common with lambic beers while adding unique aromas and tastes like brown sugar with a crisp, refreshing finish. It's worth noting that Lindemans Faro does not contain any of the grain farro, the name similarity being only coincidental.

ABV - 4.2%

Aroma - Sweet with a slightly sour undertone. Brown sugar or molasses can be picked up slightly as well.

Taste - The taste is focused on sweetness, but is definitely not overpowering. Slightly sour with lots of sweetness. Some funky herbal notes can be picked up on the end.

Finish - Faro finishes sweet with a lighter-than-expected mouthfeel. A hint of citrus can be detected on the finish, but not enough to warrant too much note. Overall, this is a sweet and funky beer that holds true to a style that started when a barkeep added sugar syrup to a lambic to make it more appealing for some clientele.

Lindemans Cuvee Renee (Gueuze Lambic)

In the world of lambic beers, the Gueuze is the granddaddy of them all. This type of lambic has no fruit flavors to it, but instead relies on the barley and wheat as well as the wild yeast to give it flavor. Gueuzes are blends of three different years of lambics, which are most often 1 year, 2 year, and 3-year-old beers. While the older lambic has used up its

sugars completely, making it very dry, the newer lambic provides more sugars to keep the yeast active.

Gueuzes are complex and very interesting lambic beers.

They offer cidery, acidic flavors that are definitely great and still retain some sweetness from the lambic style.

ABV - 5.2%

Aroma - Slightly sour and reminiscent of champagne. Slight fruity aroma even though there is no fruit in this lambic.

Yeasty and funky aromas stick to the edges, making for a very complex and appealing aroma.

Taste - Slightly acidic but not sour, the taste is similar to a dry cider without the apple tastes.

Finish - Dry and slightly puckery finish leaves you wanting another drink. The carbonation gives this beer a light mouthfeel and overall great complex taste.

Lindemans can be found on draft as well as in bottles throughout the Pittsburgh area, and is proudly distributed by Frank B. Fuhrer Wholesale.





Green Flash Brewing Company

by Brian Meyer

Green Flash is a trailblazer in the world of craft beer and after tasting most of their selection, it's hard to argue that point.

Known for their amazingly hoppy and bitter creations, Green Flash out of San Diego, California is quite possibly a hop lovers heaven. Since originally opening their doors in 2002, Green Flash has made a name for themselves in the beer world for having some most hoppy and aggressive beers available, and beer lovers definitely celebrate them for this exact reason.

The award-winning brewery makes beers like Palate Wrecker, a beer so bitter it attacks your palate and fends off any other, less superb tastes while enjoying it. Along with the intense palate wrecker you'll find higher than average stouts, rye IPAs, a Red Ale/IPA hybrid, and a Triple IPA that'll definitely make you sit down to enjoy all of it.

Green Flash is a trailblazer in the world of craft beer and after tasting most of their selection, it's hard to argue that point. While Green Flash tends to focus on the extreme by upping bitterness levels as well as ABVs, their beers retain a high level of complexity and enjoyability that you may not expect at first glance.

Not happy with settling for the given norms, Green Flash is constantly innovating new beers and trying new techniques to get closer to beer Nirvana with every sip. This means the brewery doesn't just rest on its laurels and sell the same beer every year, but instead they are continuously coming up with new beers and new takes on old styles.

Brewing Something New in Virginia
Along with innovating new beers, Green Flash is making it easier for those of us on the East Coast to get their beers and to enjoy them as fresh as possible. Their first thought was to build a super fast train to transport their beers across the country and to name it after their Green Bullet IPA. Sadly, the finance department got wind of this plan and shut it down quicker than

a speakeasy during prohibition. Green Flash still wanted to get their beers to us East Coasters quicker, so they decided the next best thing was to bring the brewery to us.

Green Flash's second brewery will be located in Virginia Beach, VA. The brewery is very similar to the current California brewery including an on-site lab for beer analysis (no, not the kind of "beer analysis you're used to doing yourself), a 58,000 sq-ft footprint, and a tasting room and outdoor beer garden. The new brewery will produce 100,000 barrels when running at full capacity.

The Discovery Pack

It's been said that variety is the spice of life and when it comes to beer this couldn't be more true. While a case of Green Bullet or West Coast IPA is a glorious thing to behold, most of us want a little variety in our beer purchases. For this reason Green Flash created their Discovery Pack: an 8-pack of 12 oz bottles that consists of their Double Stout, West Coast IPA, and Hop Head Red. Made for fans of higher ABV beers and hops, this is the best way to get a great variety of their award-winning classics.

Double Stout

Darker than most the other beers Green Flash makes, Double Stout is a modern American version of an old world classic. With the aroma and taste of bittersweet chocolate and undertones of coffee, this 8.8% black ale is just what you need to change things up from your favorite IPA. While the aroma and taste is chocolate and semi sweet, the finish is all dryness and hop bitterness. Two of the eight 12-ounce beers in the Discovery Pack are Double Stouts.



West Coast IPA

If citrusy, bitter IPAs from the West Coast are your thing, then you will love Green Flash's West Coast IPA. This Double India Pale Ale comes in at 8.1% ABV and 95 IBUs, and has enough malty backbone to support both with ease. Green Flash uses a mix of Simcoe, Columbus, Centennial, Citra, and Cascade hops to give this beer a mix of grapefruit, pine, dankness, and a floral aroma to make a beer like you've probably wished for. Green Flash knows your obsession with West Coast IPAs, so you'll get four of these in each Discovery 8-pack.

West Coast IPA originally was listed as having 7.3% ABV, but with more efficient brewing equipment came a better beer, so the ABV is now listed at 8.1%, and we couldn't be happier about it.

Hop Head Red

One of the newer beers Green Flash has to offer, Hop Head Red is a mix between an American Red Ale and an IPA. This makes for a malty, bitter beer than has the red hue and malt backbone you wouldn't expect from an IPA that's 8.1% ABV and 70 IBUs. Hopped during the boil with Amarillo, Warrior, and everyone's favorite Nugget hops and dry hopped with a nearly unnecessary amount of Amarillo, Hop Head Red has a floral aroma and a citrusy taste that makes this unique style of IPA one you definitely want to try, and with the Discovery Pack you'll get two of these amazing beers to do just that.

New on Draft From Green Flash

The Discovery Pack isn't the only new release from Green Flash, but to get these new beers you'll have to head to your favorite craft beer bar to find them. Green Flash has two new draft IPAs that tone down the ABV a little but somehow turn up the taste.

Soul Style IPA

First up is Soul Style IPA. This 6.8% ABV beer that's only available in draft form currently uses a carefully formulated blend of Simcoe, Citra, Warrior, and Cascade hops to make an American IPA that's worthy of having the Green Flash name. Basically, think West Coast IPA but in a beer you can have more than one of. Big on hop flavor with a malt backbone, Soul Style is a single IPA that has tropical citrus flavors as well as floral notes to give a well-rounded hop experience in a slightly lower ABV form. Even with it's lower ABV, Soul Style still comes to the party with 75 IBUs.

Jibe Session IPA

The other new draft-only offering from Green Flash is surprisingly enough, a session IPA. If drinking a few hoppy, bitter beers in a row is your thing, then Jibe Session IPA is perfect for you. Green Flash turned down the ABV on this beer all the way down to 4% while keeping IBUs at a respectable 65. Brewed with Warrior, Chinook, and Cascade hops, Jibe is just about as perfect of a sessionable beer as you can find. Not watered down and full of flavor you'd expect from higher ABV beers, it's the perfect beer for a night out.

These and more Green Flash beers can be found in the best craft beer bars, bottle shops, and distributors throughout Pittsburgh and are proudly distributed by Galli Wholesale.





Making Magic with Voodoo Brewing Company by Brian Meyer

They say that good things come in small packages and “they” are rarely wrong. In the case of Voodoo Brewing this is definitely the truth. Hailing from Meadville, PA Voodoo Brewing makes some of the best beer to come out of the Pittsburgh area. From beers like Wynona’s Big Brown Ale, which is a robust dark brown ale, to Hoodoo, a 7.3% IPA that is better than anything you’ve had from other big names in beer that distribute nationwide.

Voodoo Brewing Company opened their doors in September of 2007 and since then has put the small town of Meadville on the map when it comes to great beer. Founder and original head brewer Matt Allyn has worked in the beer industry for far longer than Voodoo has been open, and started off home brewing as a way to get better beer while serving his country in the US Air Force. After getting used to the amazing beer he found in England and Germany, the bland beers he found around his stateside base just didn’t cut it.

After traveling the country and working with countless breweries to set up and improve their systems, Matt settled on Voodoo in Meadville and hasn’t looked back. The Meadville brewery is far more than just a place our favorite beers are brewed, it’s a full service brewpub with amazing locally-sourced food and of course all the best Voodoo beers.

You don’t need to drive to Voodoo to get an amazing beer however. Voodoo has shifted their focus from draft and large bottles to smaller 12 ounce bottles and cases to make it easier for you to get their beer. Available in four packs and full cases, more of their beers are now readily available and will start showing up in bars, bottle shops, and distributors soon, if not already.

Until fairly recently it was a rare treat to find a Voodoo beer on tap at your favorite bar, and only some large bottles made their way to bottle shops and distributors. The commitment that comes with a large bottle is offputting to some people, which is





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why Voodoo is making the jump to smaller 12-ounce bottles as well as still featuring the larger 22-ounce bottles for those of us that think bigger is always better, too.

As if we needed yet another sign that good things do indeed come in small packages, the new 12-ounce bottles from Voodoo should be all the proof you need.

The Beers

Sure, the brewery and brewpub are great, but what you really care about are the beers. While Voodoo has a far more diverse offering that you'll see listed below, these are some of the beers that will be showing up in the new packaging we're all excited about.

Hoodoo

Possibly the best IPA brewed not only in the Pittsburgh region but in all of Pennsylvania and beyond, Hoodoo will make you think there's some magic going on to make this 7.3% beer as good as it is. Hoodoo is brewed with the 7c's of hops, which include Cascade, Centennial, Chinook, Citra, Cluster, Columbus, and Crystal. Hoodoo is an American IPA that has a juicy, hoppy aroma that's big on pine and citrus tastes as well as a mild sweetness and breadiness from the malt bill. Fairly light bodied and a crisp, light mouthfeel, Hoodoo is definitely a beer you want more than a four pack of.

Killapilz

A new name for an older beer, Killapilz is an imperial lager that's sort of a double kellerbier that uses a blend of Czech, German, and Polish pilsner recipes to make a truly unique beer in a category that can often lack innovation. Killapilz uses a variety of 8 different European hops to make this 7% ABV beer something that you definitely need to try, and try often.

Wynona's Big Brown Ale

Easily the most interesting name out of the bunch, Wynona's namesake beer is a dark brown ale that's brewed with a generous amount of brown and marris otter malts, and is hopped with Simcoe, Amarillo, and Northern Brewer to make a beer that's approachable yet strong enough at 7.5% ABV to warrant a try from even the most veteran craft beer fans.

White Magick of the Sun

White Magick is a Belgian-style wheat beer that focuses on the spices common to this style of beer, including juniper berries, coriander, orange peel, and 12 different types of peppercorns. White Magick is a light, crisp beer that's spicy with the unforgettable Belgian yeast character you'd expect. White Magick of the Sun comes in at 6.75% ABV to make it a beer that's fine for drinking on a warm summer day as much as a chilly fall evening. You'll find very little hop profile to this beer and no alcoholic bite. White Magick is all about the spices and wheat.

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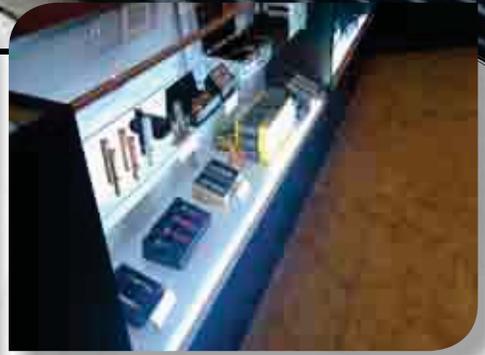


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Maverick Vapors



Maverick Vapors is one of the newest businesses to open in the heart of Lawrenceville founded by Pittsburgh local, Rob Beck. Rob fell in love with vaping when after 20 years he tried to quit smoking. Rob turned to vaping and since it was so instrumental in helping him quit, he wanted to share his experience and make vaping available to everyone. His store is very well stocked with starter kits and products to fit every budget as he wanted to ensure that vaping was affordable to anyone looking to quit smoking.

Electronic cigarettes or vaping is one of the fastest growing industries despite backlash from tobacco companies and regulations that vary from state to state, with the FDA in the process of trying to regulate it. However, many companies, including ones that Maverick currently does business with, are already following what the FDA proposed regulations will require.

Manager and Vapologist, JD Zupanek is extremely passionate about all parts of the vaping industry. JD has spent countless hours researching and reading all the different products in the market. He wanted to learn as much as he could so that he could teach and educate others about tobacco alternatives. He has become an expert on all aspects of vaping from just starting out all the way to the enthusiast stage, with high end devices. If you have questions, JD has answers and is more than willing and eager to help and assist you.

Rob and JD truly make a great team; they both have a passion and love for everything about vaping. They work very hard to make sure they carry and offer the very best products at the very best prices. They are constantly striving to make Maverick Vapors the one stop and only place to shop for vaping products.

How does vaping work? According to JD "there are basically 2 pieces - a battery and a device or tank that holds your e-liquid. Your battery supplies power to a heating element in your tank that includes a coil and wicks. When the wicks are heated they then vaporize the juice, or e-liquid and that is what you inhale. There is no combustion involved with vaping!"

E-liquids come in different levels of nicotine and Maverick Vapors can recommend what level you may need depending on

how much you smoke a day.

What is in the E-liquid? According to JD "Every bottle of juice, or E-liquid Maverick sells can be tracked and we can tell you everything that is in a bottle, unlike a cigarette. Every bottle of juice is basically the same; there are vegetable glycerin, propylene glycol, nicotine, and flavorings. The "VG" and "PG" can be found in many things you already buy at the grocery store. Plus, all of our juices are made in clean and sterile rooms." At Maverick Vapors, the owner, manager, and staff are dedicated to grow with the industry and are committed to only provide the best and safest products available. Manager, JD is so dedicated that despite Maverick Vapors being a brand new company, he got the company logo tattooed on his arm. Now that's commitment!

Maverick Vapors is not only a great place to shop but it's also a great place to relax and hang out. When you first enter the store you will feel extremely comfortable because of their lounge atmosphere decked out with big screen TV, upbeat music playing and local art always adorn their walls. Maverick created a lounge area and atmosphere because they wanted their customers to feel at home and graciously invite you to stop in, relax and hang out. They are always available to answer any questions you have. Plus, while you're hanging out, why not try any one or all of their flavors, over 75 of them, with more always on the way, Maverick offers free samples. Bottom line they believe in having fun while working and vaping. They occasionally have a "happy hour." At Maverick Vapors they use any excuse to have fun and invite their customers to join in. The overall environment is extremely relaxed and they never pressure anyone to buy anything or upsell them to high end pieces, their motto is "if your happy with your device, then we are happy." They are confident that they have something at Maverick Vapors to help you embrace this tobacco alternative and put down analog cigarettes forever!

Stop in today... Maverick Vapors is located at 4322 Butler Street, Lawrenceville, 15201 Open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 11A-8P - Friday and Saturday - 11A-11P - Sunday - 12P -5P - Closed Monday. Check the out on the web maverickvapors.com



Sake Asian Cuisine and Sushi Bar

Sake Asian Cuisine and Sushi Bar is a stunning example of high end Asian American food done the right way. From the sumptuous upscale decor to the carefully arranged food on their well-chosen flatware, it is the type of place one would go when looking to quell a serious sushi craving.

Not the "oh let's grab some sushi from Giant Eagle on the way home" sort of craving, but the real deal. The need for a powerfully delicate romp through the garden of raw, forgoing the chop sticks halfway through, sort of thing.

People that like sushi, really like it. It attracts with its taste but it's the whole experience that draws us back again and again. Properly executed, it is a world in a bite. The interplay between silky fish perched upon a perfectly presented hand formed rice ball make every piece special and somewhat fleeting. This is what Sake can provide.

Every plate is put together with purpose, precision and a high level of creativity. Their sushi does not just sit on the flatware; it basks beneath a tree of garnish on a plate crisscrossed with artfully added dipping areas that tell a story. One marvels at how they are able to add such a level of detail and still get orders out on time.

On the menu, you will find many of the typical items that accompany this genre of cuisine with many additions that expand your options in the direction of Asia, rather than just sticking to local familiars. Yakitori for example; grilled chicken on skewers, a humble dish often overlooked on menus even when present, yet a staple of Japanese happy hour culture. Nicely represented and great with drinks.

Another favorite is the negi maki, sort of a beef sushi roll with green onions and topped with teriyaki sauce. And of course there are dumplings, savory filled with fried pork or their seafaring cousins named shumai take shrimp as their insides. Both are great!

More traditional is the teriyaki, marinated and well-grilled then brushed with sauce until succulent. Less traditional is their Angry

Bird Roll which takes shrimp tempura, fills it with spicy lobster then tops it with spicy king crab, red tobiko and eel sauce... Epic win! Or their Pink Flowers Roll which somehow suspends white tuna tempura, king crab, salmon, yellowtail with soy paper and finishes with a pink sauce. Very delicate yet extremely hearty.

The rest of their almost 50 rolled sushi options bring the usual suspects to the party with some interesting variations. Spring for the signature roll topped with black caviar, the presentation is impressive to say the least.

For lunch they offer selections that span the globe from Teppanyaki to Pad Thai to sushi in bento boxes. All at only slightly higher than average lunch prices and well worth the few extra dollars for what you are getting. It's a good place to take a client or have a lunch date.

Dinner is where they shine as the lights are lowered and the colorfully lit bar area begins buzzing with movie goers, young





professionals and other South Siders out for a nice evening. There is a murmur of people selecting custom made Asian cocktails, the occasional clicking of dishes and well volumed upbeat music keeps everyone toeing a line between restaurant and club without going over.

If you're looking to end on a sweet note, then go the desserts. Fried goodness waits. Cleanse your palate with some green tea ice cream before diving into a tempura banana, fried cheesecake or the coup de grace; fried tempura ice cream. Why should only the Mexican restaurants get away with frying cold things?

The management, led by the exceedingly friendly and knowledgeable Calven Huang keep a smooth pace between courses that encourages one to sit with friends, savor their specially drinks and let the time pass.

In Osaka Japan, there is a tradition practiced called Kuidaore, quite literally translated, to bankrupt one's self with foods. It came about when the ruling class decided that merchants were not allowed to have showy displays of wealth. Meaning that a merchant about town could only really spend his money on food and drink. This no doubt meant that a night on the town back then meant something special. Have your own Kuidaore at Sake in the South Side.



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Their Sauvignon Blanc grapes for this wine were sourced from Lodi and fermented and aged in stainless steel.

Aroma: Green apple, honeydew, peach, star fruit, lemon, citrus, grassy, floral, fresh bread.

Palate: Apple, white peach, peach, pear, apricot, tropical fruit, kiwi, pineapple, melon, hint of spice, well balanced.

Finish: Honey, white, peach, honeydew, fruity, creamy, tart, soft, smooth.

An absolutely amazing Sauvignon Blanc priced at only \$15 – this is white wine is another "must have" this holiday season!

Be sure and check out this vineyard for other great wines www.buehlervineyards.com. Brace yourself for THE elixir of quality and value. It's that good!



Sauvignon Blanc Taste

The primary fruit flavors of Sauvignon Blanc are lime, green apple, passion fruit and white peach. Depending on how ripe the grapes are when the wine is made, the flavor will range from zesty lime to flowery peach. What makes Sauvignon Blanc unique from other white wines are its other herbaceous flavors like bell pepper, jalapeño, gooseberry and grass. These flavors come from aromatic compounds called pyrazines and are the secret to Sauvignon Blanc's ta

Is Sauvignon Blanc a dry wine?

Most Sauvignon Blanc wines are made completely dry, although a few producers in regions like New Zealand and California have been known to leave a gram or two of residual sugar to add a richer texture.



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Bolo – Deep Sea Fishing – Florida

By: Joyce Campisi

Our travels this month took us to the sunshine state – Florida, where we explored the beaches and amazing sports fishing around Pompano Beach. I have to admit; I'm not a fisherman or is it fisherwoman? However, I have always had fond memories of taking my children deep sea fishing when they were young and feeling a bit nostalgic, I wanted to relive those days. After doing my research on the best deep sea fishing excursions I found the overwhelming consensus of reviews from other tourists and locals were all pointing me in the direction of Bolo Sports Fishing Charters. Besides the rave reviews, the really exciting thing was the price, only \$99 per person. Not only will Bolo make your experience amazing they will also do it at an extremely affordable rate without sacrificing service, quality and safety!

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Our adventure began very early on an absolutely beautiful morning; as we arrived we were pleasantly greeted and briefed about our trip by our Captain and Mate. We set sail along with 3 other passengers anxiously waiting to get started. As we made our way out, we passed by million dollar mansions which was a huge bonus, being able to view gated housing developments, OMG that's the only word I can use to describe these incredible homes.

Our captain and mate were highly experienced in the Gulfstream waters and specifically the South Florida Gold Coastline, but they all have one thing in mind to guarantee everyone has fun no matter your level of fishing experience. They make sure everyone has a great fishing experience whether this is your first trip or if you're an experienced top of

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the line fisherman or somewhere in between. The nice thing about Bolo is that they use the share system, which means everyone takes turns reeling in fish and sharing the entire catch. Thank goodness for the 2 men that were onboard with us... one of them, a first time fisherman, caught a 60 inch sailfish! Wow it was an amazing catch and he worked really hard to reel it in. The mate told us that some people fish a lifetime and never catch a sailfish, we were all so excited. Sailfish are catch and release if you don't want to have them mounted (approximate cost to mount a sailfish is \$1500). I must tell you, it made me personally so happy to see him being released knowing he got to swim and live for another day! Go fish go!! It was certainly a thrill of a lifetime just seeing him up close. Sailfish in my opinion are such magnificent and beautiful fish!

As the morning progressed, we all caught several huge King Mackerel and Bonita which is a bait fish! All in all it was nothing but nonstop action and FUN, FUN, FUN with lots of muscle and reeling power, we all got a great exhilarating workout! I can tell you everyone onboard had an awesome experience, made some new friends and memories that will last a lifetime not to mention that we all left with truly fresh caught amazing fish for dinner professionally filleted by our first mate! Yum!

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Good Things: Local Car Club Helps Teens Learn Safety Behind the Wheel

Earlier in the Fall The Allegheny Region Porsche Club of America (ARPCA) presented the Tire Rack Street Survival Program at the Pittsburgh International Racing Complex (PittRace) in Wampum, PA.

The primary emphasis of the Tire Rack Street Survival® was to give young drivers a “hands-on” driving experience in real-world driving situations. The ARPCA had students use their “daily driver” to teach students about a car’s handling limits and how to control the vehicle when something goes wrong at driving speeds. The course combined both driving exercises and classroom lectures. The program drew 32 student participants along with 20 parent volunteers and 25 instructors.

The overall goal of the driving exercises was to teach the teens how to react in real-world driving situations, and to give them a feel for what to do when a driving emergency happens in their own vehicle. Parents watched from a spectating area as the students, accompanied by a certified instructor accelerate their car and learn about high-speed braking and avoidance, driving on a skid pad and experiencing both over and under-steer, and driving through a slalom course of orange cones to feel what happens when the car swerves left to right at high speeds.

The classroom session allowed for both lecture and discussion on basics such as steering wheel hand position for both control and injury prevention in case of air bag detonation, mirror

placement, and awareness of surroundings.

By participating in the program the students became more observant of the individual traffic situation they found themselves in. They learned to look far enough ahead to anticipate unwise actions of other drivers. As the students mastered the application of physics to drive their cars, they learned to make fewer unwise driving actions themselves.

The overall theme for the day was about “Attitude,” and showing when you’re in the car they need to be aware and always thinking about the situation and what they are doing.

Many local car clubs and are experienced with auto racing, rallying and competitive autocrossing, but the ARPCA believes in teaching safe daily driving as a critical skill before getting onto a track or competitive driving event.

Whether you are a seasoned veteran driver or a recently licensed driver, there is always more to learn about safety in daily driving situations. The Allegheny Region Porsche Club of America puts on two clinics each year. One is over Memorial Day weekend and the other happens in September. To learn more visit ARPCA.com or Pittrance.com or the Tire Rack Street Survival Program FAQ page at: www.streetsurvival.org/frequently-asked-questions.php. Any questions after reviewing the FAQ page call Bill Wade, National Program Manager, at 864-438-2060 (8 am – 8 pm EST)

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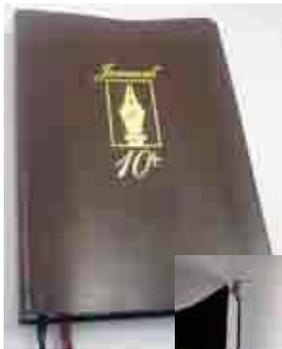
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The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust announces the Pittsburgh premiere of *The Intergalactic Nemesis: Target Earth*, written by Chad Nichols and Jason Neulander. This production—reminiscent of old-fashioned radio theater with live actors, original sound effects and a live score—will take place on Friday, November 14 at the Byham Theater, 101 6th Avenue, downtown Pittsburgh. The performance is part of the Cohen & Grigsby Trust Presents series.

Telling an all-ages adventure story set in the 1930s, *The Intergalactic Nemesis: Target Earth* mashes up comic-book and radio-play formats into a one-of-a-kind theatrical experience, a new art form, the Live-Action Graphic Novel.

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Patrons are encouraged to visit www.TrustArts.org/Accessibility for full information on accessible accommodations, and use www.ParkPGH.org to find local parking availability.



A Brief History of *The Intergalactic Nemesis: Target Earth*

In 1996, Ray Colgan approached Jason Neulander about the idea of creating a science-fiction radio serial to be performed live in installments and maybe even to be aired on the radio. Neulander jumped on the idea. He invited Jessica Reisman, Julia Edwards, and Lisa D'Amour to join Ray on the writing team and *The Intergalactic Nemesis* was born. The original concept was that the writers would provide two 15-minute scripts per week for five weeks. Neulander got these scripts on a Friday, rehearsed with actors and sound on Saturday, and



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performed the two episodes on Sunday for five weeks at Little City coffeehouse. Because the process was so quick, the writers named the main characters after the actors who played them: Ben Willcott, Molly Rice, and Japhy Fernandez. Buzz Moran grabbed stuff out of his kitchen to make the last-minute sound effects. The first week, more than 100 people showed up at Little City to catch the show and week after week the crowds stuck it out. Moran captured the show on a cassette-tape four track and the next summer KUT aired the show in serial format on their Sunday morning show Soundsight. And that was that. Or so they thought...

In 2000, Buzz bought a portable digital recording studio and suggested to Jason that SVT remount the show, cut it down to an evening-length format, perform it again and record a true broadcast-quality recording. Again, Neulander jumped and asked Ray and Jessica to help him rewrite it. On Memorial Day 2000, the crew set up shop at the State Theatre to a capacity crowd. The only original cast member was Ben Willcott, so the names of the other two main characters were changed. The performance was received so well that Ray and Jason immediately knew that the next summer they would have to create a sequel, which they did. Return of the Intergalactic Nemesis was performed and recorded in June 2001, both shows were performed in rep in 2002, and KUT aired a three-part edit of the show on its "Best of Public Radio" series. And that was that. Or so they thought...

In January 2009, Neulander approached artist Tim Doyle, who had created the backdrops for various productions, about developing a comic-book version of the story. As the two collaborators began work on the comic-book, Cliff Redd asked Neulander to bring the show into Dell Hall at the Long Center. In that meeting, Neulander came up with the idea of combining the comic-book artwork with the live show. In September 2010, the Long Center premiered this new form of entertainment to an audience of over 2,100 people. Currently, the project has spawned two sequels and is in the midst of a multi-year international tour, including the Kennedy Center in Washington DC, the New Victory in New York City, and more than 100 venues around the globe.

The adventure continues in the form of podcasts, web series, and more at www.theintergalacticnemesis.com or by following the project on Facebook and Twitter.

Humor

Black and White

Attending a wedding for the first time, a little girl whispered to her mother, "Why is the bride dressed in white? "Because white is the color of happiness, and today is the happiest day of her life." The child thought about this for a moment, then said, "So why is the groom wearing black?"

Four-Letter Words

As soon as the newlyweds returned from their honeymoon, the young bride called her mother, who lived a couple of hours away. "How did everything go?" her mom asked. "Oh, mother," she began, "The honeymoon was wonderful! So romantic, we had a terrific time. But, mother, on our way back, Andy started using really horrible language. Stuff I'd never heard before. Really terrible four-letter words. You've got to come get me and take me home. Please, Mother!" the new bride sobbed over the telephone. "But, honey," the mother countered, "What four-letter words?" "I can't tell you, mother, they're too awful! Come get me, please!" "Darling, you must tell me what has gotten you so upset.... Tell mother what four-letter words he used." Still sobbing, the bride said, "Mother, words like dust, wash, iron, cook."

The Wrong Wish

A married couple, both 60 years old, were celebrating their 35th anniversary. During their party, a fairy appeared to congratulate them and grant them each one wish. The wife wanted to travel around the world. The fairy waved her wand and poof - the wife had tickets in her hand for a world cruise. Next, the fairy asked the husband what he wanted. He said; "I wish I had a wife 30 years younger than me." So the the fairy picked up her wand and poof - the husband was 90.

A Little Airsick

A little guy gets on a plane and sits next to the window. A few minutes later, a big, heavy, strong mean-looking, hulking guy plops down in the seat next to him and immediately falls asleep. The little guy starts to feel a little airsick, but he's afraid to wake the big guy up to ask if he can go to the bathroom. He knows he can't climb over him, and so the little guy is sitting there, looking at the big guy, trying to decide what to do. Suddenly, the plane hits an air pocket and an uncontrollable wave of nausea passes through the little guy. He can't hold it in any longer and he pukes all over the big guy's chest. About five minutes later the big guy wakes up, looks down, and sees the vomit all over him. "So," says the little guy, "are you feeling better now?"



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Where Have You Been

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Going to Bed

Mom and Dad were watching TV when Mom said, "I'm tired, and it's getting late. I think I'll go to bed." She went to the kitchen to make sandwiches for the next day's lunches, rinsed out the popcorn bowls, took meat out of the freezer for supper the following evening, checked the cereal box levels, filled the sugar container, put spoons and bowls on the table and started the coffee pot for brewing the next morning. She then put some wet clothes into the dryer, put a load of clothes into the wash, ironed a shirt and secured a loose button. She picked up the newspapers strewn on the floor, picked up the game pieces left on the table and put the telephone book back into the drawer. She watered the plants,

emptied a wastebasket and hung up a towel to dry. She yawned and stretched and headed for the bedroom. She stopped by the desk and wrote a note to the teacher, counted out some cash for the field trip, and pulled a textbook out from hiding under the chair. She signed a birthday card for a friend, addressed and stamped the envelope and wrote a quick note for the grocery store. She put both near her purse. Mom then washed her face, put on moisturizer, brushed and flossed her teeth and trimmed her nails. Hubby called, "I thought you were going to bed." "I'm on my way," she said. She put some water into the dog's dish and put the cat outside, then made sure the doors were locked. She looked in on each of the kids and turned out a bedside lamp, hung up a shirt, threw some dirty socks in the hamper, and had a brief conversation with the one up still doing homework. In the bedroom, she set the alarm, laid out clothing for the next day, straightened up the shoe rack. She added three things to her list of things to do for tomorrow. About that time, hubby turned off the TV and announced to no one in particular "I'm going to bed," and he did.

Kosher Pork

Rabbi Ezra, his wife, and their children, were really curious as to why Gentiles were so fond of eating pork. They decided to try some, but there was nowhere in town they could go and not be seen. One weekend, the Rabbi and his family traveled to a distant town, went into a restaurant, and ordered roast pork. While they were waiting to be served, a member of Rabbi Ezra's Synagogue walks in. He sees the Rabbi and his family. The member asks if he could join them for dinner. The Rabbi has no choice but to agree. A while later, the waiter returns with the Rabbi's meal. He takes the cover off the large platter, and there is a whole roast pig, with an apple in its mouth. The Synagogue member is more than a little shocked. "What a fancy place," explains the Rabbi quickly. "Just look at how they serve the apple I ordered."

Famous Composers

Steven Spielberg was discussing his new project - an action docudrama about famous composers starring top movie stars. Sylvester Stallone, Steven Segall, Bruce Willis, and Arnold Schwarzenegger were all present. Spielberg strongly desired the box office 'oomph' of these superstars, so he was prepared to allow them to select whatever composers they would portray, as long as they were very famous. "Well," started Stallone, "I've always admired Mozart. I would love to play him." "Chopin has always been my favorite and my image would improve if people saw me playing the piano" said Willis. "I'll play him." "I've always been partial to Strauss and his waltzes," said Segall. "I'd like to play

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DAN
Hello, my name is Dan! I am a very nice 4 year old boy who likes to be held and brushed. I would likely do well with a dog or children, but I am territorial so I would probably do better with no other cats. I have been neutered and microchipped, and I'm current on all of my vaccinations.

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him.” Spielberg was very pleased with these choices. “Sounds splendid.” Then, looking at Schwarzenegger, he asked, “Who do you want to be, Arnold?” So Arnold says “I’ll be Bach.”

Language difficulties

A Chinese went to a bar in Hawaii to have some drinks. At the counter, he sat next to a famous Hollywood producer, Steven Spielberg who was already ahead by a quart of alcohol. The producer was glaring at him. Suddenly, in a flash the Chinese crashed down from his stool, felled by a vicious hook from the producer. Picking himself up, he yelled, “What was that for?” The producer ranted: “That’s for the bombing of Pearl Harbor, you \$B%’%(J@!!\$B%’%(J! My dad perished in that bombing!” “I am not Japanese, you stupid Nincompoop! I am a Chinese!” “Yeah yeah yeah ...Japanese, Burmese, Chinese, Vietnamese, ... you are all the same.” Regaining his composure, the Chinese took his seat and ordered a double from the bartender. A few seconds later, the Chinese turned around and delivered a deadly snake fist to the producer, sending him flat to the floor. “What was that for?!” exclaimed the producer. “That’s for the sinking of the TITANIC! I had ancestors on that ship!” the Chinese replied. “You ignorant chink! The TITANIC was sunk by an iceberg! “ shouted the producer. “Yeah yeah yeah... Iceberg, Carlsberg, Spielberg... you are all the same!”

Turkey Football

A football team was on the field during practice, when to their surprise, a big turkey suddenly walked up to the coach and demanded a tryout. “Are you crazy,” hollered the coach, “we don’t give tryouts to turkeys.” Before he knew it the turkey started dashing towards the football and made a fantastic catch. “That was amazing”, exclaimed the coach “I have never seen anything like that! How much do you want for a year?” “Don’t worry about money,” said the turkey, “let me just ask you something, does the season go past Thanksgiving?”

Stuffed Turkey Joke

Q: Who is not hungry at Thanksgiving?
A: The turkey because he’s already stuffed!

Turkey Joke

Q. Why can’t you take a turkey to church?
A. Because they use such FOWL language!

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Clean Restaurant Joke

So these two roaches, Tom and Oscar, are hanging out next to a dumpster enjoying a snack. "Hey Tom" said Oscar to his friend, "You know that restaurant down the block?" I went there yesterday to pick up some scraps, and I couldn't believe how clean it was, I could practically see my reflection through the shiny waxed floor." "Oscar" hollered Tom spitting the food out of his mouth, "please not while I am eating!!"

Writing A Will

A man hears from a doctor that his end is near so he heads over to a lawyer to write a will. The secretary watches as the man walks into the Lawyer's office and as three minutes later the man walks off in a huff. "Can I help you?" asks the secretary, dashing after the obviously upset man. "HELP ME? THIS GUY IS CRAZY! I asked him to help me write a will and he says to me: 'sure, let me just ask you a few questions and then leave it all to me.' 'I've heard before how lawyers are dishonest but this just takes the cake!'"

Going to A Psychic After Husband Dies

Suzie was all alone. It was two months since her dear Herbie had passed, and she just couldn't seem to move on. "Listen here Suzie", said her good friend Barbara, "maybe you should go see a psychic? One of my friends did it after her husband died and it made her feel so much better knowing that her dearest was happy." So that's how, on the next Tuesday, Suzie found herself in a dim room with a crystal ball and a psychic talking in a calm voice. "Is he here?" Suzie asked. "Yes, I sense him," was her reply. "Can you ask him if he's happy?" Suzie hesitantly asked. "He's putting his hand to his mouth like he wants to smoke" said the psychic. "Oh, of course" said Suzie, "he needs a cigar. Herbie can

never last more than a few hours without a cigar. I guess they don't have cigars up there. Did he say where he is or how I could get one to him?" Questioned Suzie urgently. "Hmm", said the psychic. "I can't seem to get that question across to him. But then again," said the psychic after a brief pause, "he didn't say anything about needing a lighter!"

Grandma Getting Into Trouble

Bobby was sitting on the porch talking to his Grandpa when he innocently asked, "Grandpa, do you know how to make animal sounds?" "I sure do" Grandpa replied. "What sort of animal sound would you like to hear?" "How about a toad? Do you know how to sound like a toad?" "Sure", said Grandpa, cupping his hand to his mouth, "croaaak croaaak, how did you like that?!" "Yipee!" screamed Bobby jumping up and down, "We are going to Miami!" "Huh?" Questioned Grandpa. "Why's that?" "Because Grandma said so," Bobby patiently explained, "she said that after you croak we'll all go to Miami!"

Hoki Pokey

So, I'm sure you all heard of John Hoki, the inventor of the Hoki Poki. While John's life is well known, what's not so well know, is a story that happened at his funeral in the late 1940's. Being that John was quite a popular fella, mostly due to the Hoki Poki, which spread like wildfire through his small Middle Eastern town, thousands showed up for his funeral, all coming to bid him farewell. Well, it happened right before the ceremony was about to begin, when the undertaker gently lifted John up to place him in the coffin. The problem that arose was that as soon as they put his right foot in.....(I'm sure you can figure out the rest.)





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Mensa Question

You are on a horse, galloping at a constant speed. On your right side is a sharp drop off. And on your left side is an elephant traveling at the same speed as you. Directly in front of you is another galloping horse but your horse is unable to overtake it. Behind you is a lion running at the same speed as you and the horse in front of you. What must you do to safely get out of this highly dangerous situation? Get your drunken self-off the merry-go-round.

Steeler Season is Here!!

A Steelers fan, a Browns fan and a Titans fan were all in Saudi Arabia, sharing a smuggled crate of booze. They were arrested and possession of alcohol is punishable by death. By a stroke of luck, it was a Saudi national holiday the day their trial finished, and the extremely benevolent Sheik decided they could be released after receiving just 20 lashes each of the whip. As they were preparing for their punishment, the Sheik suddenly said, "It's my first wife's birthday today, and she has asked me to allow each of you one wish before your whipping." The Titans fan was first in line (he had drunk the least), so he thought about this for a while and then said, "Please

tie a pillow to my back." This was done, but the pillow only lasted 10 lashes before the whip went through. The Titans fan had to be carried away bleeding and crying with pain when the punishment was done. The Browns fan was next up (he almost finished an entire fifth by himself), and after watching the scene, said "All Right! Please fix two pillows on my back." But even two pillows could only take 15 lashes before the whip went through again, sending the Browns fan out crying like a little girl. The Steelers fan was the last one up (he had finished off the crate), but before he could say anything, the Sheik turned to him and said, "You support the greatest team in the world, your team has some of the best and most loyal football fans in the world. For this, you may have two wishes!" "Thanks, your most Royal highness," the Steelers fan replies. "In recognition of your kindness, my first wish is that you give me not 20, but 100 lashes." "Not only are you an honorable, handsome and powerful man, you are also very brave," the Sheik says with an admiring look on his face. "If 100 lashes is what you desire, then so be it. And your second wish? What is it to be?" the Sheik asks. "Tie the Browns fan to my back."

How I Learned to Mind My own Business

I was walking past the mental hospital the other day, And all the patients were shouting, '13....13....13.' The fence was too high to see over, but I saw a Little gap in the planks, so I looked through to see What was going on..... Some idiot poked me in the eye with a stick! Then they all started shouting '14....14....14'...

WOMAN'S YEARLY EXAM

I went to the doctor for my yearly physical. The nurse starts with certain basics. "How much do you weigh?" she asks. I say,



“135.” The nurse puts me on the scale. It turns out my weight is 180. The nurse asks, “Your height?” I answer, “5 feet 4 inches.” The nurse checks and sees that I only measure 5 feet 2 inches. She then takes my blood pressure and tells me that it’s very high. “Of course it’s high!” I scream. “When I came in here I was tall and slender! Now I’m short and fat!” She put me on Prozac.

Preacher’s Son

An old country preacher had a teenage son, and it was getting time the boy should give some thought to choosing a profession. Like many young men his age, the boy didn’t really know what he wanted to do, and he didn’t seem too concerned about it. One day, while the boy was away at school, his father decided to try an experiment. He went into the boy’s room and placed four objects on his study table:

1. A Bible.
2. A silver dollar.
3. A bottle of whiskey.
4. And a Playboy magazine.

‘I’ll just hide behind the door,’ the old preacher said to himself. ‘When he comes home from school today, I’ll see which object he picks up. If it’s the Bible, he’s going to be a preacher like me, and what a blessing that would be! If he picks up the dollar, he’s going to be a business man, and that would be okay, too. But if he picks up the bottle, he’s going to be a no-good drunken bum, and Lord, what a shame that would be. And worst of all if he picks up that magazine he’s going to be a skirt-chasing womanizer.’ The old man waited anxiously, and soon heard his son’s foot-steps as he entered the house whistling and headed for his room. The boy tossed his books on the bed, and as he turned to leave the room he spotted the objects on the table. With curiosity in his eye, he walked over to inspect them. Finally, he picked up the Bible and placed it under his arm. He picked up the silver dollar and dropped into

his pocket. He uncorked the bottle and took a big drink, while he admired this month’s centerfold. ‘Lord have mercy,’ the old preacher disgustedly whispered. ‘He’s gonna run for Congress!’

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- Time waits for no one. Treasure every moment you have. You will treasure it even more when you can share it with someone special.
- To realize the value of a friend or family member: LOSE ONE.
- Remember.... Hold on tight to what’s important and TRY and let go of what’s NOT! Have a great day!

The Name:

A woman arrived at a party and while scanning the guests, spotted an attractive man standing alone. She approached him, smiled and said, “Hello. My name is Carmen.” “That’s a beautiful name,” he replied. “Is it a family name?” “No,” she replied. “As a matter of fact I gave it to myself. It represents the things that I enjoy the most - cars and men. Therefore, I chose

Carmen. What’s your name?” He answered “B.J. Boobsengolf”

BANK ROBBERY

An armed and hooded robber bursts into the Bank and forces the tellers to load a sack full of cash. On his way out the door with the loot, one brave Irish customer grabs the hood and pulls it off revealing the robber’s face. The robber shoots the guy in the head without hesitation! He then looks around the bank to see if anyone else has seen him. One of the tellers is looking straight at him and the robber walks over and calmly shoots him in the head also. Everyone by now is very scared and looking down at the floor. “Did anyone else see my face?” calls the robber. There are a few moments of silence, then one gent, Kevin O’Brien, looking down, tentatively raises his hand and says: “I think me wife, over here, might have caught a glimpse.....”

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Memory Miracle

Murphy showed up at Mass one Sunday and the priest almost fainted when he saw him. Murphy had never been seen in Church in his life. After Mass, the priest caught up with him and said, "Murphy, I am so glad ya decided to come to Mass, what made ya come?" Murphy said, "I got to be honest with you Father, a while back, I misplaced me hat and I really, really love that hat. I know that McGlynn had a hat just like me hat, and I knew that McGlynn comes to Church every Sunday. I also knew that McGlynn had to take off his hat during Mass and figured he would leave it in the back of Church. So, I was going to leave after Communion and steal McGlynn's hat." The priest said, "Well, Murphy, I notice that ya didn't steal McGlynn's hat. What changed your mind?" Murphy said, "Well, after I heard your sermon on the 10 Commandments, I decided that I didn't need to steal McGlynn's hat after all." The priest gave Murphy a big smile and said, "After I talked about 'Thou Shalt Not Steal' ya decided you would rather do without the hat than burn in Hell, right?" Murphy slowly shook his head and said, "Oh no, Father, after ya talked about 'Thou Shalt Not Commit Adultery', I remembered where I left me hat."

GEOGRAPHY OF A WOMAN

- Between 18 and 22, a woman is like Africa: half discovered, half wild, fertile and naturally beautiful.
- Between 23 and 30, a woman is like Europe: well developed and open to trade, especially for someone of real value.
- Between 31 and 35, a woman is like Spain: very hot, relaxed, and convinced of her own beauty.
- Between 36 and 40, a woman is like Greece: gently aging but still a warm and desirable place to visit.
- Between 41 and 50, a woman is like Great Britain: with a glorious and all conquering past.
- Between 51 and 60, a woman is like Israel: has been through war, doesn't make the same mistakes twice, takes care of business.
- Between 61 and 70, a woman is like Canada: self-preserving, but open to meeting new people.
- After 70, she becomes Tibet: wildly beautiful, with a mysterious past and the wisdom of the ages, an adventurous spirit and a thirst for spiritual knowledge.

You Can't Fix Stupid

One

Recently, when I went to McDonald's, I saw on the menu that you could have an order of 6, 9 or 12 Chicken McNuggets.. I asked for a half dozen nuggets. 'We don't have a half dozen nuggets,' said the teenager at the counter. 'You don't?' I replied. 'We only have six, nine, or twelve,' was the reply. 'So I can't order a half dozen nuggets, but I can order six?' 'That's right.' So I shook my head and ordered six McNuggets.

Two

I was checking out at the local WalMart with just a few items and the lady behind me put her things on the belt close to mine. I picked up one of those 'dividers' that they keep by the cash register and placed it between our things so they wouldn't get mixed. After the girl had scanned all of my items, she picked up the 'divider', looking it all over for the bar code so she could scan it. Not finding the bar code she said to me, 'Do you know how much this is?' I said to her 'I've changed my mind, I don't think I'll buy that today.' She said 'OK,' and I paid her for the things and left. She had no clue to what had just happened.

Three

I recently saw a distraught young lady weeping beside her car. 'Do you need some help?' I asked. She replied, 'I knew I should have replaced the battery to this remote door un-locker. Now I can't get



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into my car. Do you think they (pointing to a distant convenience store) would have a battery to fit this?' 'Hmmm, I dunno. Do you have an alarm, too?' I asked. 'No, just this remote thingy,' she answered, handing it and the car keys to me. As I took the key and manually unlocked the door, I replied, 'Why don't you drive over there and check about the batteries. It's a long walk.' (she had no clue either!)

Four

Several years ago, we had an intern who was none too swift. One day she was typing and turned to a secretary and said, 'I'm almost out of paper. What do I do?' 'Just use copier machine paper,' the secretary told her. With that, the intern took her last remaining blank piece of paper, put it on the photocopier and proceeded to make five 'blank' copies.

Five

My neighbor works in the operations department in the central office of a large bank. Employees in the field call him when they have problems with their computers. One night he got a call from a woman in one of the branch banks who had this question: 'I've got smoke coming from the back of my terminal. Do you guys have a fire downtown?'

Six

Police were interrogated a suspect by placing a metal colander on his head and connecting it with wires to a photocopy machine.

The message 'He's lying' was placed in the copier, and police pressed the copy button each time they thought the suspect wasn't telling the truth. Believing the 'lie detector' was working, the suspect confessed.

Seven

A mother calls 911 very worried asking the dispatcher if she needs to take her kid to the emergency room, the kid was eating ants. The dispatcher tells her to give the kid some Benadryl and it should be fine .. The mother says, 'Okay, but, I just gave him some ant killer.....' 'Dispatcher: 'Rush him in to emergency room!'

Life is tough. It's tougher if you're stupid...

Praying for Leroy

"Anyone with needs to be prayed over, come forward, to the front at the altar," the Preacher says. Leroy gets in line, and when it's his turn, the preacher asks: "Leroy, what do you want me to pray about for you." Leroy replies: "Preacher, I need you to pray for my hearing." The preacher puts one finger in Leroy's ear, and he places the other hand on top of Leroy's head and prays and prays and prays, he prays a blue streak for Leroy. After a few minutes, the Preacher removes his hands, stands back and asks, "Leroy, how is your hearing now?" Leroy says, "I don't know, Reverend, it ain't till next Wednesday!"



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Getting a Hairdryer through Customs...

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The official thought this answer strange, so asked, 'And what do you have to declare from your waist to the floor?' 'I have a marvelous instrument designed to be used on a woman, but which is, to date, unused.' Roaring with laughter, the official said, 'Go ahead, Father. Next!'

Donald Duck and Daisy Duck

Donald Duck and Daisy Duck were spending the night together in a hotel room and Donald wanted to have sex with Daisy. The first thing Daisy asked was, 'Do you have a condom?' Donald frowned and said, 'No.' Daisy told Donald that if he didn't get a condom, they could not have sex. 'Maybe they sell them at the front desk,' she suggested. So Donald went down to the lobby and asked the hotel clerk if they had condoms. 'Yes, we do,' the clerk said and pulled a box out from under the counter and gave it to Donald. The clerk asked, 'Would you like me to put them on your bill?' 'No!' Donald quacked, 'I'll thuffocate'

THE MIRACLE OF TOILET PAPER AS TOLD BY THE WIFE

Fresh from my shower, I stand in front of the mirror complaining to my husband that my breasts are too small. Instead of characteristically telling me it's not so, he uncharacteristically comes up with a suggestion. "If you want your breasts to grow, then every day take a piece of toilet paper and rub it between them for a few seconds". Willing to try anything, I fetch a piece of toilet paper and stand in front of the mirror, rubbing it between my breasts.

"How long will this take?" I asked. "They will grow larger over a period of years," my husband replies. I stopped. "Do you really think rubbing a piece of toilet paper between my breasts every day will make my breasts larger over the years?" Without missing a beat he says, "Worked for your butt, didn't

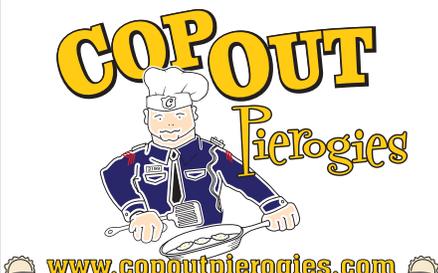
it?" He's still alive, and with a great deal of therapy, He may even walk again, although he will probably continue to take his meals through a straw.

MOMS IN GROUP THERAPY

A psychiatrist was conducting a group therapy session with four young mothers and their small children. "You all have obsessions," he observed. To the first mother, Mary, he said, "You are obsessed with eating. You've even named your daughter Candy." He turned to the second Mom, Ann: "Your obsession is with money. Again, it manifests itself in your child's name, Penny." He turned to the third Mom, Joyce: "Your obsession is alcohol. This too shows itself in your child's name, Brandy." At this point, the fourth mother, Kathy, quietly got up, took her little boy by the hand, and whispered, "Come on, Dick, this guy has no idea what he's talking about. Let's pick up Peter and Willy from school and go get dinner.

Free Sex with Fill Up

A gas station owner in Texas was trying to increase gas sales. So he put up a sign that read, "FREE SEX WITH FILL UP." Soon a local redneck pulled in, filled his tank and asked for his "FREE SEX." The owner told him to pick a number from 1 to 10. If he guessed correctly he would get his "FREE SEX." The redneck guessed 8, and the proprietor said, 'You were close. The number was 7. Sorry, No sex this time. A week later, the same redneck, along with a buddy, Bubba, pulled in for another fill-up. Again he asked for his "FREE SEX" The proprietor again asked him to guess the correct number. The redneck guessed 2 this time. The proprietor said, 'Sorry, it was 3. You were close, but no "FREE SEX" this time. As they were driving away, the redneck said to his buddy, 'I think that game is rigged and he doesn't really give away "FREE SEX." Bubba replied, 'No, it ain't rigged. My wife won twice last week.



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Duck Hunter

A duck hunter was out enjoying a nice morning on the marsh when he decided to take a leak... He walked over to a tree and propped up his gun. Just then a gust of wind blew; the gun fell over, and discharged... Shooting him in the genitals. Several hours later, lying in a hospital bed, he was approached by his doctor. 'Well sir, I have some good news and some bad news. The good news is that you are going to be OK. The damage was local to your groin, there was very little internal damage, and we were able to remove all of the buckshot.' 'What's the bad news?' asked the hunter. 'The bad news is that there was some pretty extensive buckshot damage done to your [censored]. I'm going to have to refer you to my sister.' 'Well I guess that isn't too bad,' the hunter replied. 'Is your sister a plastic surgeon?' 'Not exactly,' answered the doctor. 'She's a flute player in the Detroit Symphony. She's going to teach you where to put your fingers so you don't [censored] in your eye.'

Door to Door Salesman

A salesman goes up to a house and knocks on the front door. It is opened by little 10 year old Johnny who has a lighted cigar in 1 hand, a glass of whiskey in the other and a Penthouse magazine

tucked under his arm. The salesman says "Hello son, Is your Mom or Dad home?" Little Johnny says "what the do you think?"

No Trespassing Signs

Pete is taking his friend hunting, but when they get to his favorite hunting spot, they notice 'No Trespassing' signs posted everywhere. He tells his friend to wait in the car and walks up to the nearby farmhouse. The farmer answers the door, and Pete says, "Sir, I've been hunting on this property all my life, but I notice that you now have a bunch of 'No Trespassing' signs posted. I wanted to see if it was still OK for me to hunt here." The farmer tugs on his beard for a bit, and replies, "I'll make a deal with you. We have this cow out back that we have to kill for food, but we've grown too attached to it. If you go out back and shoot my cow, I'll let you hunt on my property." Pete walks back to the car and decides to play a joke on his friend. "That miserable old bugger won't let us hunt on his property," he says. "I'm going to shoot his danged cow!" He then walks over to the side of the house and ... BAM! Suddenly, two more shots ring out behind him and his friend runs up, shouting, "I got the dog and the cat too! Quick, let's get the heck out of here!"



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Miss Beatrice, the church organist, was in her eighties and had never been married. She was admired for her sweetness and kindness to all. One afternoon the pastor came to call on her and she showed him into her quaint sitting room. She invited him to have a seat while she prepared tea. As he sat facing her old Hammond organ, the young minister noticed a cute glass bowl sitting on top of it. The bowl was filled with water, and in the water floated, of all things, a condom! When she returned with tea and scones, they began to chat. The pastor tried to stifle his curiosity about the bowl of water and its strange floater, but soon it got the better of him and he could no longer resist. 'Miss Beatrice', he said, 'I wonder if you would tell me about this?' Pointing to the bowl. 'Oh, yes,' she replied, 'Isn't it wonderful? I was walking through the park a few months ago and I found this little package on the ground. The directions said to place it on the organ, keep it wet and that it would prevent the spread of disease. Do you know I haven't had the flu all winter.'

George and Harriet

George and Harriet decided to celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary with a trip to Las Vegas . When they entered the hotel/

casino and registered, a sweet young woman dressed in a very short skirt became very friendly. George brushed her off. Harriet objected, "George, that young woman was nice, and you were so rude." "Harriet, she's a prostitute." "I don't believe you. That sweet young thing?" "Let's go up to our room and I'll prove it." In their room, George called down to the desk and asked for 'Bambi' to come to Room 217. "Now," he said, "you hide in the bathroom with the door open just enough to hear us, OK?" Soon, there was a knock on the door. George opened it and Bambi walked in, swinging her hips provocatively. George asked, "How much do you charge?" "\$125 basic rate, \$100 tips for special services.." Even George was taken aback. "\$125? I was thinking more in the range of \$25." Bambi laughed derisively. "You must really be a hick if you think you can buy sex for that price." "Well," said George, "I guess we can't do business. Goodbye.." After she left, Harriet came out of the bathroom. She said, "I just can't believe it!" George said, "Let's forget it. We'll go have a drink, then eat dinner." At the bar, as they sipped their cocktails, Bambi came up behind George, pointed slyly at Harriet, and said, "See what you get for \$25?"

Changed World

The world has sure changed since I was 6 years old!!!!

A 1st grade school teacher had twenty-six students in her class. She presented each child in her classroom with the first half of a well-known proverb and asked them to come up with the remainder of the proverb. Pretty hard to believe these were actually done by first graders. Their insight is surprising. While reading, keep in mind that these are 6-year-old first-graders, because the last one is a classic.

1. - Don't change horses...until they stop running.
2. - Strike while the...bug is close.
3. - It's always darkest before...Daylight Saving Time.
4. - Never underestimate the power of...termites.
5. - You can lead a horse to water but...How?
6. - Don't bite the hand that...looks dirty.
7. - No news is...impossible
8. - A miss is as good as a...Mr.
9. - You can't teach an old dog new...Math
10. - If you lie down with dogs, you'll...stink in the morning.
11. - Love all, trust...Me.
12. - The pen is mightier than the...pigs.
13. - An idle mind is...the best way to relax.
14. - Where there's smoke there's...pollution..
15. - Happy the bride who...gets all the presents.
16. - A penny saved is...not much.

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- 17. - Two's company, three's...the Musketeers.
 - 18. - Don't put off till tomorrow what...you put on to go to bed.
 - 19. - Laugh and the whole world laughs with you, cry and...You have to blow your nose.
 - 20. - There are none so blind as...Stevie Wonder.
 - 21. - Children should be seen and not...spanked or grounded.
 - 22. - If at first you don't succeed...get new batteries.
 - 23. - You get out of something only what you...See in the picture on the box
 - 24. - When the blind lead the blind...get out of the way.
 - 25. - A bird in the hand...is going to poop on you.
- And the WINNER and last one!
- 26. - Better late than...Pregnant

Forgetter Be Forgotten

My forgetter's getting better, But my rememberer is broke....

To you that may seem funny but, to me, that is no joke.

For when I'm 'here' I'm wondering if I really should be 'there' and, when I try to think it through, I haven't got a prayer!

Off times I walk into a room, say 'what am I here for?' I wrack my

brain, but all in vain! A zero, is my score. At times I put something away where it is safe, but, gee! The person it is safest from is, generally, me! When shopping I may see someone, Say 'Hi' and have a chat, then, when the person walks away I ask myself, 'who the heck was that?' Yes, my forgetter's getting better while my rememberer is broke, and it's driving me plumb crazy and that just ain't no joke. CAN YOU RELATE???

IF MY BODY WERE A CAR...

If my body were a car, this is the time I would be thinking about trading it in for a newer model. I've got bumps and dents and scratches in my finish, and my paint job is getting a little dull. But that's not the worst of it. My headlights are out of focus, and it's especially hard to see things up close. My traction is not as graceful as it once was. I slip and slide and skid and bump into things even in the best of weather. My whitewalls are stained with varicose veins. It takes me hours to reach my maximum speed. My fuel rate burns inefficiently. But here's the worst of it -- Almost every time I sneeze, cough or laugh, either my radiator leaks or my exhaust backfires.

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Wooden Leg Insurance

A man and his wife, moved back home to West Virginia, from Ohio. The husband had a wooden leg, and to insure it back in Ohio cost them \$2000 per year! When they arrived in West Virginia, they went to an insurance agency to see how much it would cost to insure his wooden leg. The agent looked it up on the computer and said: '\$39.' The husband was shocked and asked why it was so cheap here in West Virginia to insure it because it cost him \$2000 in Ohio! The insurance agent turned his computer screen to the couple and said, 'Well, here it is on the screen, it says: Any wooden structure, with a sprinkler system above it, is \$39 . . . You just have to know

how to describe it!' (Those HILLBILLIES know how "to git 'er done"; don't they?)

This is from an article in the St. Petersburg Times

Newspaper on Sunday. The Business Section asked readers for ideas on "How Would You Fix the Economy?" I think this guy nailed it!

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P.S. If more money is needed, have all members in Congress and their constituents pay their taxes...

The Haircut

One day a florist went to a barber for a haircut. After the cut, he asked about his bill, and the barber replied, 'I won't accept money from you, I'm doing community service this week.' The florist was pleased and left the shop. When the barber went to open his shop the next morning, there was a 'thank you' card and a dozen roses waiting for him at his door. Later, a cop comes in for a haircut, and when he tries to pay his bill, the barber again replied, 'I cannot accept money from you, I'm doing community service this week.' The cop was happy and left the shop. The next morning when the barber went to open up, there was a 'thank you' card and a dozen donuts waiting for him at his door. Then a Congressman came in for a haircut, and when he went to pay his bill, the barber again replied, 'I cannot accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week.' The Congressman was very happy and left the shop. The next morning, when the barber went to open up, there were a dozen Congressmen lined up waiting for a free haircut. And that illustrates the fundamental difference between the citizens of our country and the politicians who run it.

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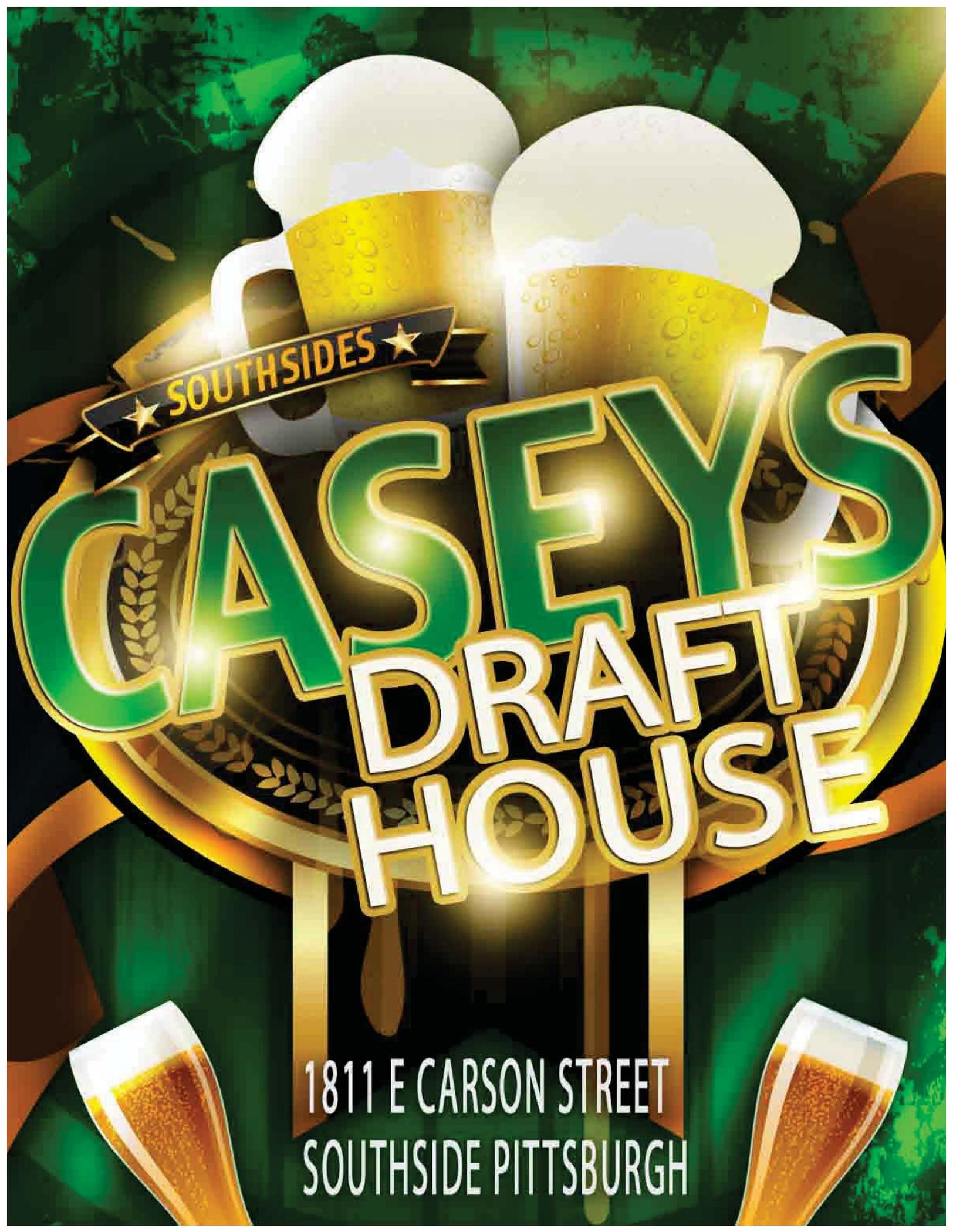
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