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Harbor Times

Coffee Shop "Gig"gles

Only in America!

"Gig"gles

And then there was Ed: About 10 years ago, reported LA Weekly in July, Southern California was awash with hysteria over household "toxic mold," in which lawyers convinced jurors that a wide range of illnesses was caused by fungi that previously had been minor irritants controlled by ordinary cleansers. (Centers for Disease Control maintains there is no basis for such hysteria and that the only at-risk people are a tiny number vulnerable to specific fungi.) Among the mold alarmists then was announcer Ed McMahon, who famously received a multimillion-dollar settlement by claiming that mold killed his beloved dog. Recently, McMahon even more famously publicly lamented his potential bankruptcy, in large part because no one wanted to buy his house (although the reason now seems more the mortgage credit crisis than the home's alleged toxicity). (What goes around, comes around)

The Poor Dear: Harry Shasho filed a lawsuit against New York City in August for \$190,000, charging that his Bentley was poorly cared-for at the city's automobile impound lot in 2005. It had been confiscated after Shasho fatally struck a pedestrian (for which he was later leniently sentenced, perhaps because the pedestrian was drunk). The city claims the only damage done was from the fatal collision, but Shasho believes city employees should have treated it better. (Someone dropped him on his head when he was a child! Never developed a conscience)

No Longer Weird: Adding to the list of stories that were formerly weird but which now occur with such frequency that they must be retired from circulation:

(89) People who call the emergency-only 911 number for stupid reasons, such as Reginald Peterson, who called Jacksonville, Fla., police in August because Subway didn't make his sandwich correctly.
(90) People who seem to lose all respect for the danger of walking on railroad tracks when they listen to music on a headset or talk on cell phones (such as the two people hit by trains three weeks apart in April and May on the same rail line in the suburbs of Seattle). (Common sense is sadly lacking.)

SuDoku Solution #61

9	2	5	8	7	4	6	1	3
1	3	6	2	5	9	7	4	8
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7	4	3	1	2	6	8	5	9
5	9	8	4	3	7	2	6	1
6	1	2	9	8	5	3	7	4
3	7	1	6	9	2	4	8	5
8	5	4	7	1	3	9	2	6
2	6	9	5	4	8	1	3	7

Burial at Sea: Bubbles and Barbie had promised their Uncle Bill, who had been a seafaring gentleman all his life, to bury him at sea when he died. Of course, in due time, he did pass away and the two nieces kept their promise. They set off from Clearwater Beach with their uncle all stitched up in a burial bag and loaded onto their rowboat. After a while Bubbles says, 'Do you think we're out far enough, Barbie?' Barbie slipped over the side and finding the water only knee deep said, 'Nope, not yet Bubbles.' So they row a little farther.... Again Bubbles asks Barbie, 'Do you think we're out far enough now?' Once again Barbie slips over the side and almost immediately says, 'No, this will never do. The water is only up to my chest.' So on they row and row and row, and finally Barbie slips over the side and disappears. Quite a bit of time goes by and poor Bubbles is really getting worried when suddenly Barbie breaks the surface, gasping for breath she says, 'OK, it's finally deep enough. Hand me the shovel.'



Quips & Quotes

"When humor goes, there goes civilization."
Erma Bombeck

"Spielberg is so powerful he had final cut at his own circumcision."
Robin Williams

"Never pick a fight with an ugly person, they've got nothing to lose."
Robin Williams

"Human beings are the only creatures on earth that allow their children to come back home."
Bill Cosby

Trivia Questions

1. Pogonology is the study of what?
2. What does BTU stand for?
3. What is the term for a chemical reaction that releases heat?
4. Johann Vaaler invented this handy office tool in 1900. What is it?
5. Ecology is the Greek term for?



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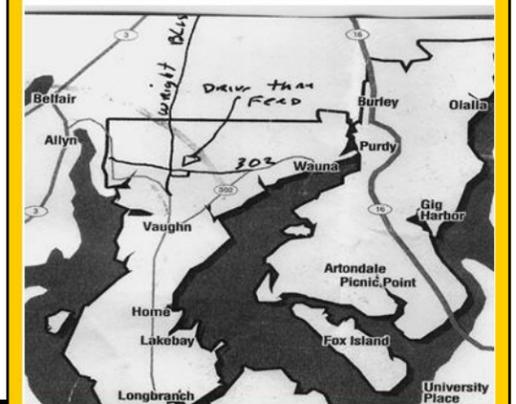


The Priceless Ingredient

JOHNS HOPKINS has recently sent this out in its newsletters. This information is being circulated at Walter Reed Army Medical Center as well. Dioxin chemicals causes cancer, especially breast cancer. Dioxins are highly poisonous to the cells of our bodies. **Don't freeze your plastic bottles with water in them** as this releases dioxins from the plastic. Recently, Dr. Edward Fujimoto, Wellness Program Manager at Castle Hospital, was on a TV program to explain this health hazard. He talked about dioxins and how bad they are for us. He said that we should not be heating our food in the microwave using plastic containers. This especially applies to foods that contain fat. He said that the combination of fat, high heat, and plastics releases dioxin into the food and ultimately into the cells of the body. Instead, he recommends using glass, such as Corning Ware, Pyrex or ceramic containers for heating food.

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More "Gig"gles

Mike was in trouble. He forgot his wedding anniversary. His wife was really angry. She told him "Tomorrow morning, I expect to find a gift in the driveway that goes from 0 to 200 in less than 6 seconds, AND IT BETTER BE THERE!!" The next morning Mike got up early and left for work. When his wife woke up she looked out the window and sure enough there was a box gift-wrapped in the middle of the driveway. Confused, the wife ran out to the driveway. She opened it and found a brand new bathroom scale. Mike has been missing since Friday. Please pray for him.

The Best Answering Machine Messages:

Hi. This is John:

If you are the phone company, I already sent the money. If you are my parents, please send money. If you are my financial aid institution, you didn't lend me enough money. If you are my friends, you owe me money. If you are a female, don't worry, I have plenty of money.

A is for academics, B is for beer. One of those reasons is why we're not here. So leave a message.

Greetings, you have reached the Sixth Sense Detective Agency. We know who you are and what you want, so at the sound of the tone, please hang up. **Hello,** this is the Brown residence. We're in the middle of a family fight. Leave your name and number at the beep and whoever wins will call you right back.

How do you keep an idiot in suspense? Leave a message and I'll get back 2 u .

Constitution: They keep talking about drafting a constitution for Iraq. Why not just give them ours? It was written by a lot of really smart guys. It worked for over 200 years and ...we're not using it anyway.

Ten Commandments: The real reason that we can't have the 10 Commandments in a courthouse ... You cannot post "Thou Shall Not Steal," "Thou Shall Not Commit Adultery," nor "Thou Shall Not Lie" in a building full of lawyers, judges, and politicians. It creates a hostile work environment.

The math teacher saw that little Johnny wasn't paying attention in class. She called on him and said, 'Johnny! What are 2 and 4 and 28 and 44?' Little Johnny quickly replied, 'NBC, FOX, ESPN and the Cartoon Network!'



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Weekly Horoscope & Lucky Day

Aries (Mar. 21—Apr. 20)
You need to do something that will make you feel better about yourself. Your creative input will be appreciated by your boss. Organize your day well if you wish to accomplish all you set out to do. Do not sign contracts or get involved in any uncertain financial deals.
Lucky Day: Saturday

Taurus (Apr. 21—May. 21)
Your mind is on moneymaking ventures. Your nerves are frazzled. You may be the recipient of false information. Jealousy may get in the way of a good relationship.
Lucky Day: Sunday

Gemini (May 22—June 21)
A change is as good as a rest. Don't go looking for change. Don't be too critical. You will meet a person who may turn out to be more than just a friend. Your tendency to dramatize may be a little much for your partner to take constantly.
Lucky Day: Monday

Cancer (Jun. 22—Jul. 23)
Changes could be overwhelming. You should be putting your cash into long-term investments like real estate. You should follow through on educational endeavors you have wanted to pursue for some time. Secret affairs will come back to haunt you.
Lucky Day: Monday

Leo (Jul. 24—Aug. 22)
Your ability to take hold of a situation will surely bring you popularity and leadership. Your outgoing nature might work against you this week. You can develop your creative talents if you take the time to practice your art. Involvement with prestigious organizations will be to your advantage.
Lucky Day: Saturday

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 23)
You're in need of love. Make changes regarding your friendships. Don't be too quick to judge your position or surroundings at work. Short trips will prove to be more fruitful than you imagined.
Lucky Day: Friday

Libra (Sept. 24—Oct. 23)
You will be extremely sentimental, and if pushed by others you may hold a lasting grudge. You will be well looked upon due to your compassionate and giving nature. Sudden romantic encounters will set your head spinning. You may be uncertain about some of your coworkers and your boss.
Lucky Day: Monday

Scorpio (Oct. 24—Nov. 22)
This week will be rather hectic on the domestic scene. Unexpected visitors are likely. Be prepared to do your chores early. Be inquisitive about unfamiliar circumstances. Take time to relax. Stress and pressure at home may have worn you ragged.
Lucky Day: Tuesday

Sagittarius (Nov. 23—Dec. 21)
Don't draw too much attention to yourself at work. You might find that the extra cash will come in handy when an opportunity to invest comes along. There might be one who is quite willing to take the credit for your work. Talking to those you trust and respect will help you sort out any problems.
Lucky Day: Friday

Capricorn (Dec. 22—Jan. 20)
Exercise programs will be effective. I Don't let siblings put pressure on you. Discover opportunities based on the individuals you mingle with this week. You will be full of energy and you need to find something constructive to do.
Lucky Day: Thursday

Aquarius (Jan. 21—Feb. 19)
Get out and experience the spice of life. Don't fall into the trap. Don't use the interstate as a racetrack. You'll only hurt your lover if you don't.
Lucky Day: Sunday

Pisces (Feb. 20—Mar. 20)
Problems with financial investments could make you nervous. Jealous coworkers may try to sabotage your attempts to get ahead. Don't blow situations out of proportion. Don't hesitate to voice your ideas and opinions.
Lucky Day: Saturday

Trivia Answers:

1. Beards
2. British Thermal Unit
3. Exothermic
4. Paper Clip
5. House

Local Events

Saturdays Low income & homeless join us for a free meal, clothing & entertainment every Sat. 6:30-8:00pm during Sept. at Drive Thur Feed, 4 corners, Wright Bliss, 302 & Elgin Clifton Roads.

Sep Swap Meets, every Sat/Sun 9a-6p, spaces FREE on first come basis, BBQ grills, refrigerator available. Livestock sale. Off 302 at Four Corners of Elgin Clifton/Wright Bliss Roads 253-884-3386

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Harbor Times Cookbook

Celery Salad

10 ribs celery, chopped coarse
1/2 cucumber, chopped coarse
1/2 big spicy red chile, diced
1/2 yellow bell pepper, chopped coarse

Salt & Pepper to taste
Marinated Italian vegetables,
Greek Olives and marinated artichokes to taste

Toss everything in a large bowl and dress with 1 Tbsp pickle relish with 2 Tbsp. vinegar and 1/4 olive oil.

Pumpkin Cheesecake

Graham cracker pie crust
1 pound cream cheese (16 oz)
1 can sweetened condensed milk
3 eggs
2 cups freshly pureed pumpkin
2 tsp pumpkin pie spice
1 tsp. vanilla
Whipped cream for garnish

Cream the cheese with eggs in a food processor. Add condensed milk, let whirl until combined. Add pumpkin, vanilla and spice, whirl until combined. Pour into graham cracker pie crust. Bake at 325° F. until top is dry and custard is set. Cool until serving time. Top with whipped cream. Variation: add chocolate curls to batter before pouring into crust and top whipped cream with more chocolate curls.



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Sincerely Yours,
JoAnn Jagroop, Editor
Juanita Jones Antonio, Sales Manager

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Can't get the pickle jar open? Hold it on its side in one hand and bang the bottom of the jar 3 times with the heel of your other hand. That will break the vacuum seal...or you can get the guy in the house to open the jar.

Su Doku #60

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