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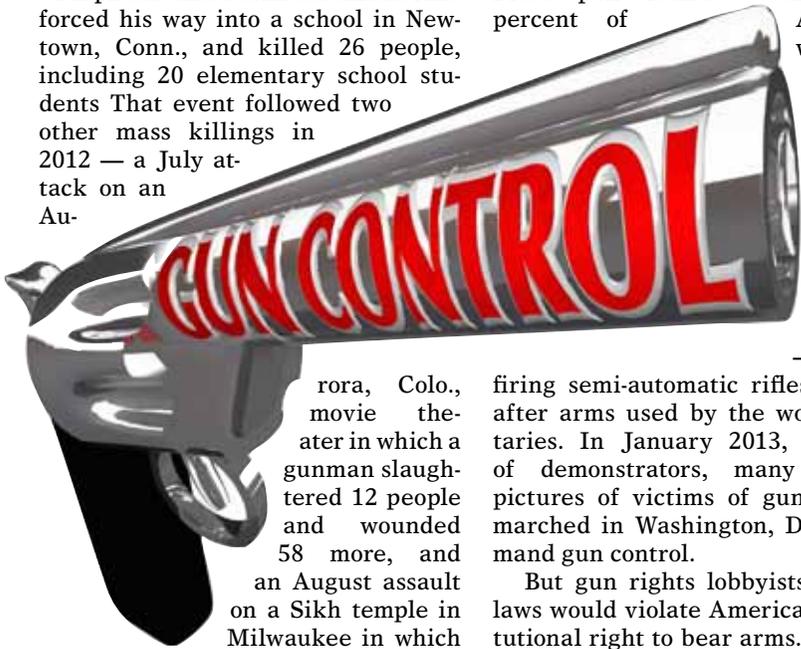
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Gun control debate rages on

In December 2012, a 20-year-old man wearing combat gear and armed with pistols and a semi-automatic rifle forced his way into a school in Newtown, Conn., and killed 26 people, including 20 elementary school students. That event followed two other mass killings in 2012 — a July attack on an Au-

demand action to prevent further gun violence. A January 2013 Associated Press poll found that 58 percent of



Americans wanted stricter gun control laws, and 55 percent wanted a ban on so-called assault weapons — rapid-

firing semi-automatic rifles modeled after arms used by the world's militaries. In January 2013, thousands of demonstrators, many carrying pictures of victims of gun violence, marched in Washington, D.C., to demand gun control.

But gun rights lobbyists say such laws would violate Americans' constitutional right to bear arms. They also argue that citizens need weaponry to defend against criminals — and the possibility of future government tyranny.

ror, Colo., movie theater in which a gunman slaughtered 12 people and wounded 58 more, and an August assault on a Sikh temple in Milwaukee in which six wor-

shippers were shot to death and three others wounded. But this time, the age of the Newtown victims — coupled with heart-rending accounts of Victoria Soto, a 27-year-old teacher slain while shielding her first-grade pupils with her body — roused many Americans to

your glass breaking at 3 a.m. and you call 911, you won't be able to pray hard enough for a gun in the hands of a good guy to get there fast enough to protect you! Some, such as economist and author John R. Lott Jr., argued that the answer to stopping gun violence was for more citizens to be armed.

So which side is right? That's for you to decide. But to help you make an informed decision, here are answers to 10 big questions in the U.S. gun control debate.

The U.S. has a lot of guns — so many, in fact, that there's nearly one firearm for every person who lives in the country. According to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, in 2009 there were an estimated 310 million guns in the U.S., including 114 million handguns, 110 million rifles and 86 million shotguns. The 2012 U.S. population is nearly 314 million.

This already huge privately held arsenal is growing at a very fast rate. About 8 million firearms are manufactured globally each year, and 4.5 million are bought by people who live in the U.S.

That may lead you to the mistaken

impression that everyone is packing heat. In truth, however, the majority of Americans still are unarmed. In a January 2012 Gallup poll, for example, 43 percent of Americans said they had a gun in their homes. That's consistent with the General Social Survey, which has found that over the past several decades, only 44.3 percent of Americans have kept firearms where they live. In fact, the portion of Americans who are gun owners seems to be on the decline; Gallup, for example, found that the percentage who had guns in 2012 was 8 percent lower than in the mid-1990s. Some believe that gun ownership may be decreasing because gun owners tend to be middle-aged white males, a demographic that represents a small-

er segment of the population in 2013. However, a relatively small number of heavily armed people — about 20 percent of the population — own 65 percent of U.S. firepower, a 2004 survey found.

The Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution states the following: "A well-regulated militia, being

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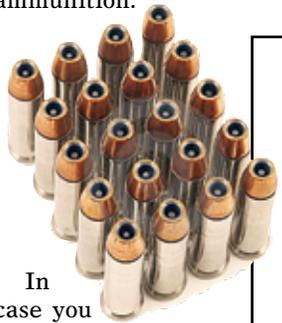
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Hey Uncle Sam, why the bulk ammo buy?

This is from a conspiracy-theorist's blog.

It has now been confirmed that the goal of the Department of Homeland Security is to purchase a total of 1.6 billion rounds of ammunition. A portion of that ammunition is hollow point bullets, which have been banned from use in war by international law. Another portion is specialized sniper ammunition.



In case you have a difficult time comprehending the significance of 1.6 billion rounds of ammunition, allow me to give you a couple of comparisons. During the height of the war in Iraq, the U.S. Army fired less than 6 million rounds per month. That means DHS has enough ammunition to supply the U.S. Army for 266.67

Question:
Is a hostile military takeover of U.S. citizens by our government even possible?

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months (22.22 years) of intense war.

Currently, the DHS uses approximately 15 million rounds of ammunition every year at their various training facilities. At that rate, they have enough ammunition for 106.67 years of training.

So ask yourself, what is the justification for the purchase of 1.6 billion rounds of ammunition by the Department of Homeland Security, especially when some of it is illegal to use in war? Now ask yourself why Sen. Dianne Feinstein is so concerned about private citizens stockpiling ammunition, weapons and using high capacity magazines when the federal government is doing the same time only a thousand times more?

Perhaps the abundance of ammunition goes along with the purchase of 'Mine Resistant Protected' MaxxPro

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Retired captain pens letter of concern

Terry M. Hestilow, a retired United States Army Captain from Fort Worth, Texas, posted a letter on Facebook that he wrote to Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, warning that the Department of Homeland Security is preparing to go to war with the citizens of the United States.

Dear Senator Cornyn,

It is with gravest concern that I write to you today concerning the recent appropriation of weapons by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) that can only be understood as a bold threat of war by that agency, and the Obama administration, against the citizens of the United States of America. To date, DHS has been unwilling to provide to you, the elected representatives of the People, justification for recent purchases of almost 3,000 mine-resistant ambush-protected (MRAP)

armored personnel carriers, 1.6 billion rounds of ammunition (with associated weapons), and other weapons systems, when, in fact, the DHS has no war mission or war making authority within the limits of the United States of America.



Significant is the fact that at the same time the Obama administration is arming his DHS for war within the limits of the United States against the People of the United States in accordance with his 2008 campaign speech claiming,

"We cannot continue to rely only on our military in order to achieve the national security objectives that we've set. We've gotta (sic) have a civilian national security force that's just as powerful, just as strong, just as well funded [as the United States military]"--Candidate Barack Obama, 2008.

The Obama administration is deliberately defunding, overextending, and hollowing the Department of Defense; the only legitimate agency of the U.S. government with a war.



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Some vets being told 'no firearms' for you

Associated Press

Should veterans deemed too mentally incompetent to handle their own financial affairs be prevented from buying a gun?

The issue was a sticking point in the \$631 billion defense bill for reshaping a military that is disengaging from a decade of warfare.

Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., sought to amend the bill to stop the Veterans Affairs Department from putting the names of veterans deemed too mentally incompetent to handle their finances into the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, which prohibits them from buying or owning firearms.

Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., objected, saying the measure would make it easier for veterans with mental illness to own a gun, endangering themselves and others.

"I love our veterans, I vote for them all the time. They defend us," Schumer said. "If you are a veteran or not and you have been judged to be mentally infirm, you should not have a gun."

Currently, the VA appoints fiduciaries, often family members, to manage the pensions and disability benefits of veterans who are declared incompetent. When that happens, the department automatically enters the veteran's name in the Criminal Background Check System.

A core group of lawmakers led by Sen. Richard Burr, R-N.C., has for several years wanted to prohibit the VA from submitting those names to the gun-check registry unless a judge or magistrate deems the veteran to be a danger. This year's version of the bill has 21 co-sponsors. It passed the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee by voice vote, a tactic generally reserved for noncontroversial legislation. Coburn's amendment to the defense bill contained comparable language.

"All I am saying is, let them at least have their day in court if you are going to take away a fundamental right given under the Constitution," Coburn said in the Senate debate last Thursday night.

Congressional aides said Coburn will likely drop his effort to amend the defense bill with his proposal, but that he intends to try again on other bills coming to the Senate floor.

The number of veterans directly affected by the VA's policy doesn't appear to be very large. Only 185 out of some 127,000 veterans added to the gun-check registry since 1998 have

sought to have their names taken off, according to data that the VA shared with lawmakers during a hearing last June.

Still, the legislation over the years has attracted strong support from the National Rifle Association and various advocacy groups for veterans.

"We consider it an abject tragedy that so many of our veterans return home, after risking life and limb to defend our freedom, only to be stripped of their Second Amendment rights because they need help managing their compensation," Chris Cox, the

NRA's chief lobbyist, wrote last year in an editorial.

The NRA did not respond to queries from the AP about Coburn's effort.

Dan Gross, president of the Brady Center to Prevent Gun Violence, said gun control advocates consider the VA's current policy reasonable.

"We're talking about people who have some form of disability to the extent that they're unable to manage their own affairs," Gross said. "If you're deemed unable to handle your own affairs, that's likely to constitute

a high percentage of people who are dangerously mentally ill."

Tom Tarantino, chief policy officer for Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, said veterans with a traumatic brain injury or post-traumatic stress disorder but who pose no threat to others are possibly being barred from gun ownership. The current restrictions might even be a disincentive for veterans to seek needed treatment, he said.

"We want to remove these stigmas for mental health treatment. It's a combat injury," Tarantino said. "They wouldn't be doing this if you were missing your right hand, so they shouldn't be doing it if you're seeking treatment for post-traumatic-stress-disorder or traumatic brain injury."

VA officials have told lawmakers they believe veterans deemed incompetent have adequate protections.

For example, they said, veterans can appeal the finding of incompetency based on new evidence. And even if the VA maintains a veteran is incompetent, he can petition the agency to have his firearm rights restored on the basis of not posing a threat to public safety.

Question:
Do we really want anyone with PTSD running around with firearms?

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1. Cows
2. The Constitution
3. The Ten Commandments

COWS

Is it just me or does anyone else find it amazing that during the mad cow epidemic, our government could track a single cow, born in Canada almost three years ago, right to the stall where she slept in the state of Washington? And, they tracked her calves to their stalls. But they are unable to locate 11 million illegal aliens wandering around our country.

Maybe we should give each of them a cow.

THE CONSTITUTION

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



THE 10 COMMANDMENTS

The real reason that we can't have the Ten Commandments posted in a courthouse is this: You cannot post "Thou Shalt Not Steal," "Thou Shalt Not Commit Adultery," and "Thou Shall Not Lie" in a building full of lawyers, judges and politicians. It creates a hostile work environment.



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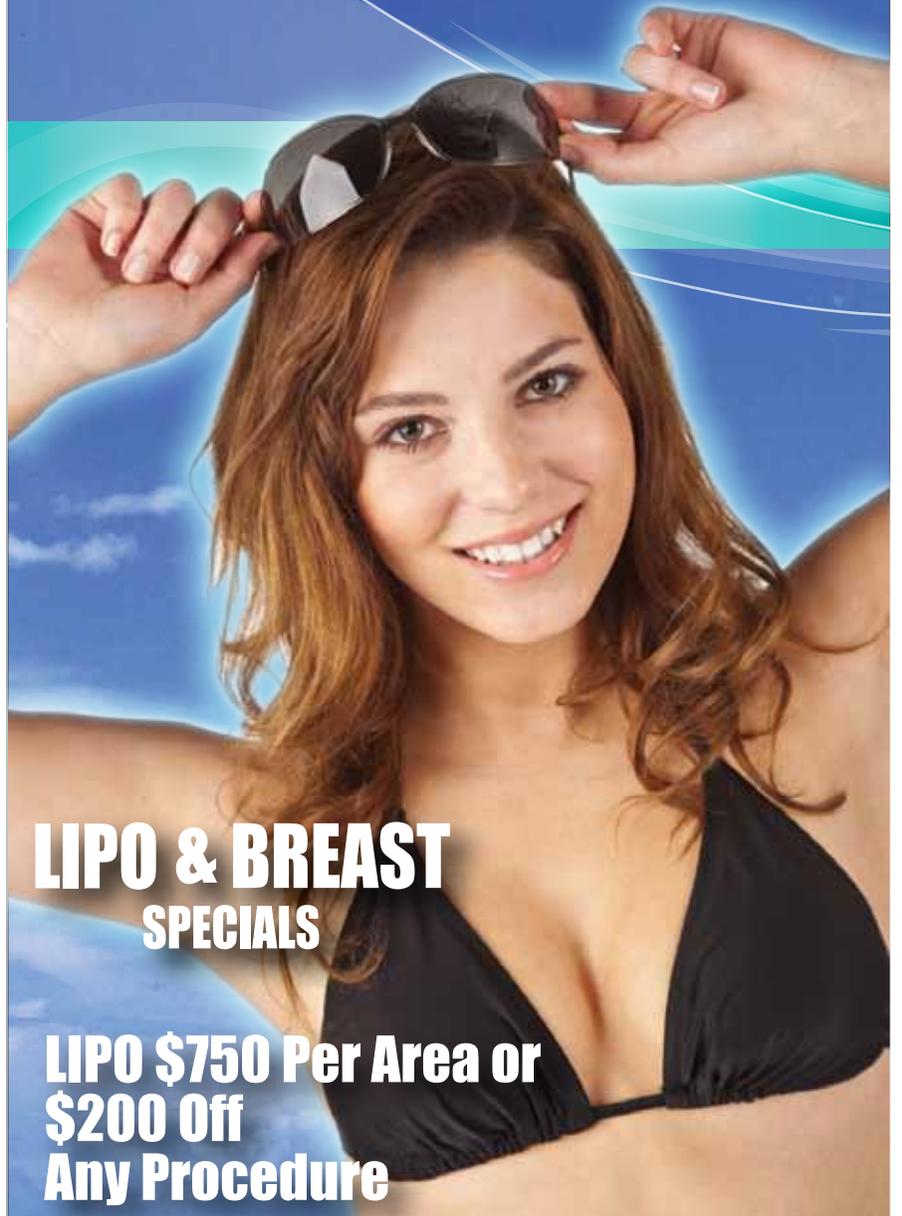
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knowledge and wisdom in almost all aspects of the Marine Corps wife lifestyle. Whether the concerns are giving birth for the first time at the Naval Hospital, deployments, starting a new business, finding a job, retiring, com-

munication or navigating things in the Marine Corps the route is typically the same for many of us.

and embrace it with open arms and view it as a glass half full... of your favorite wine I mean.

Be proactive, not reactive

Find out your moving in two months? Don't depend or wait on the Marine Corps or other people to help you along the way. Research and look into the city, school district ratings, take a TMO class, etc. We are all allowed to have our bummed out moments since change means leaving the familiar but watching Lifetime reruns maybe isn't the best way to prepare for an expedited move. Dwelling doesn't make the move go away so try

Perspective

You can redefine your entire life if you realize it's up to you and how you perceive life. A spouse is to be a partner, team mate and soul mate but realize you also have the power to build up or destroy the others spouse's emotional and mental well-being. If you start to get down in the dumps realize no one is perfect and life could be so much worse so check your perspective often and keep it on the positive side as much as possible.

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Communicate Positively

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What do you do for you?

New and seasoned wives alike tend to focus solely on the husband, kids, bills, car maintenance, after school activities, weekend plans, meal planning, couponing, travelling, summer camp, visiting relatives, shopping, working, gossiping, and on and on. Don't forget "you" in all of that. Remember that this life can get tedious and very overwhelming. So don't forget about you. Go to Zumba, get a massage, take a long, quiet bubble bath, empower each other and recharge your batteries.

It's commendable to think about others and juggle this Marine Corps lifestyle we all so love and love to hate and hopefully these tips will have folks asking you, "How do you do it?"

For more tips follow my blog!

Questions or comments? Email us at [Military Press at keepinformed@keepinformed.com](mailto:MilitaryPress@keepinformed.com)! You can also follow my blog @ <http://marinecorpswives101.wordpress.com/>.



Don't give up... give yourself a fresh start

Have you fallen off the diet wagon? Have you ever really located the wagon to begin with? Giving in to drive-in cravings? It may be time for a healthy eating edit.

Building better eating habits

We're busy, easily distracted, overwhelmed by larger challenges in life. Eating healthy tends to get pushed down the priority list when you've got a crazy work schedule, a brood of kids, or a gaggle of friends insisting on happy hour.


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-- and to avoid trans fats. This means swapping saturated and trans fats -- the hamburgers, French fries, and buttery foods -- with the healthy fats such as those found in avocados, nuts, a variety of fish, healthy oils, soy-

beans, and nuts.

Eating — calories & vitamins

What to know — you need to aim for three meals with two snacks in between, so that you're eating something every three hours on average. Avoiding/eliminating eating only does harm not help — doing so will maintain proper blood glucose levels. The average calorie intake should be your weight x 10 (Ex. 150lbs = 1500 calories). Next, take a daily multivitamin.

Fuel with fluid

Water intake! Your goal should be a minimum of ½ your body weight in ounces daily. Don't make water intake a hassle. Find out how it works for you, adding in ice and fruit, with a straw, from a mug. Play around with it. Yet while you are doing it evaluate all your other drinking habits -the calorie add up in juice, the additives in soda, the junk added to your coffee.

Say farewell

Don't set yourself up for failure. Stock up on plenty of fresh produce and remove all your current temptations. The cupboards, the fridge, even the diaper bag in the car. Most people are creatures of habit. We go to the grocery store on the same day every

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Eating right is what your body is truly craving; proper nutrition is the best way to help the mind tackle those bigger priorities. And it doesn't have to be about punishing or depriving yourself either. Making small choices for the long run will lead to the most success. Begin now.

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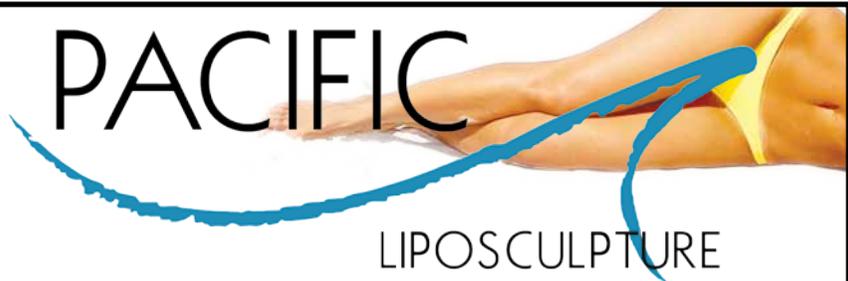
Start by taking an honest look at your current habits and readiness to change them. Are you willing to make changes? Are you aware of the benefits? Ask yourself what you are getting from your bad habits. What your future holds.

Rethinking your plate

Instead of a fatty cut of meat as your entree, shift the focus to vegetables, fruits, and whole grains -- with the fat and protein being the side dish. If you can't stand the taste of broccoli, then vowing to eat it more often is pretty unrealistic. So, find more vegetables that you can work with. Think of it as enjoying what you are adding not dwelling on what you are eliminating. Veggies allow you to eat more without over doing on the calories or leading to over eating later in the evening.

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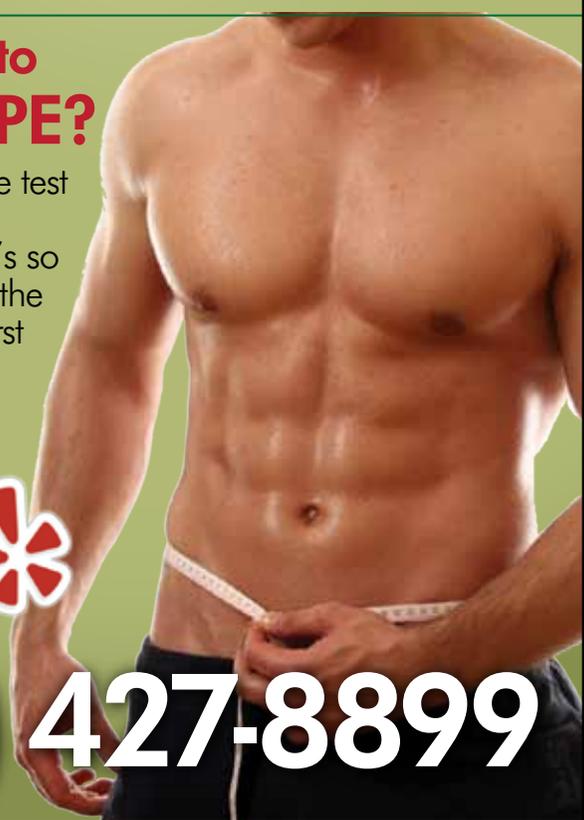
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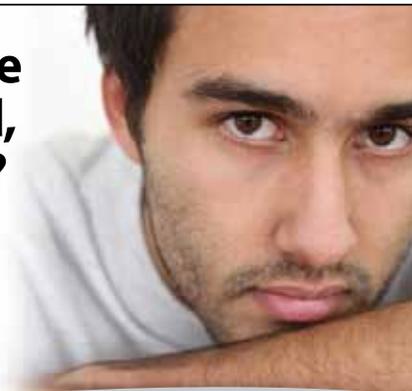
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Military tuition benefit restored

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Tuition assistance programs that aid hundreds of thousands of service-members in gaining college educations will be restored quickly with renewed funding from Congress, Defense Department officials said Wednesday.

George Little, the Pentagon's chief spokesman, said DoD intends to implement the programs in the way they were before the suspension of new enrollments was ordered earlier this month to meet the cost-cutting demands of the legislative process known as sequester.

An amendment attached to the continuing resolution passed by Congress last week and signed by President Obama Tuesday specifically directed DOD to restore the tuition programs

and "We will comply with the law," Little said.

The Coast Guard was the first of the services to state that the suspensions were being lifted. "It's going to happen, it's being re-instated," Senior Chief Dan Tremper, a Coast Guard spokesman, said of the education aid.

About 10,000 of the 42,000 active duty Coast Guard personnel usually take advantage of the school aid, and about 7,000 have enrolled this year, Tremper said.

The Army, Air Force, and Marine

Corps suspended new enrollments earlier this month and advised personnel currently enrolled that they could not sign up for future courses. The Navy did not take

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action but did consider making sailors pay for about 25 percent of their education benefits.

Before Congress acted, Vice Adm.



Scott Van Buskirk, the chief of Naval Personnel, noted that the Navy had been able to avoid the tuition cuts adopted by the other services.

"We remain the only service that's continuing tuition assistance, and I think that's a testimony to how valuable we think the program is, and that we think that investment makes sense as we go forward," Van Buskirk said at an all-hands meeting at Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story near Norfolk, Va., the Virginia Pilot reported.

The Army currently has 201,000 personnel receiving tuition assistance at an annual cost of \$373 million and the Marines have 29,000 enrolled at an annual cost of \$47 million.

Cuts to tuition assistance were no longer on the table under the amendment to the continuing resolution that was sponsored by Sens. James Inhofe (R-Okla.) and Kay Hagan (D-N.C.), Little said.

The current programs provide about \$250 per credit hour with a ceiling of \$4,500 annually for service-members using their off-duty time to pursue vocational courses or classes toward an associate, bachelor, masters or doctoral degree.

"I don't anticipate we'll be making any reductions," Little said, referring to the \$10 billion in additional funding for DOD included in the continuing resolution.

With the additional funding, DOD is also looking at several options that could mitigate the impacts of the 22 furlough days that are in play for all 800,000 DOD civilian personnel as a result of the sequester.

"We're trying to figure out how to allocate that \$10 billion," Little said. "We're sorting out the options on furloughs."

Little said exemptions from the furloughs were being considered, possibly for teachers at DOD schools, but he stressed that exemptions were among the factors "that are being sorted through right now" and no decisions had been made.

DOD had intended to send out notices to all personnel last week that furloughs were going to take place and would begin in late April, but the notices were delayed for two weeks after Congress passed the continuing resolution.



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By Yolanda York
Social Security Public Affairs Director
in San Diego

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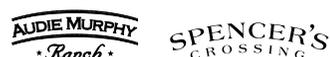
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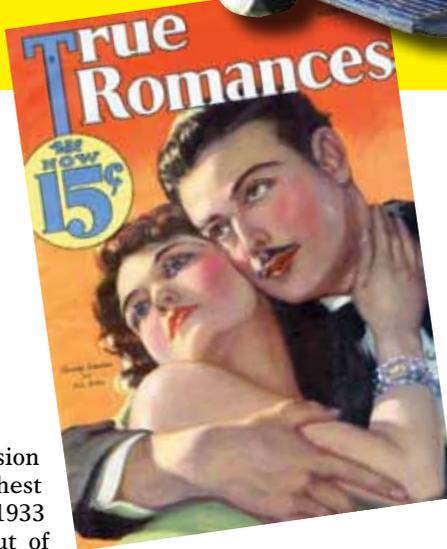


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World Events

- World population reaches 7 billion
- Adolph Hitler becomes German chancellor and reign of Nazi terror begins
- Hitler becomes dictator of Germany and establishes the Gestapo
- Germany and Japan withdraw from League of Nations
- The Loch Ness Monster is sighted for the first time in Scotland
- Hitler declares intentions for a state-sponsored “People’s Car” program, now known as the Volkswagen

- The Great Depression — unemployment reaches highest level in the winter of 1932/1933 with nearly 1 in 3 people out of work
- Inoculations in the fight against diphtheria begin
- 20th Amendment to the Constitution establishes term limits for elected federal officials
- Wiley Post becomes the first man to fly solo around the world
- Alcatraz becomes a federal penitentiary
- The dirigible airship “The Akron” crashes

U.S. News

- Repeal of Prohibition
- Strong winds strip the topsoil from the drought affected farms in Midwest creating Dust Bowls

Technology

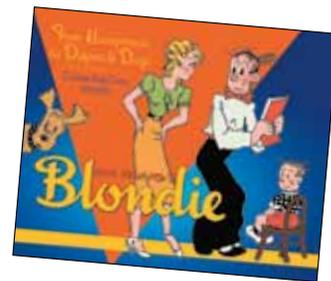
- Electron microscope
- Drive-in movie theaters developed

- Frequency modulation (FM) carrier wave invented
- Impact sprinkler
- Landing vehicle tracked (LVT), aka amtrack



Popular Culture

- Shirley Temple signs a contract with Fox when she was 5 years old
- The original “King Kong” movie is shown
- The first ever drive-in movie is opened
- The chocolate chip cookie is invented
- The board game “Monopoly” is introduced
- “Esquire” magazine debuts
- Hammond organ introduced



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Prohibition is repealed



Movies

- King Kong
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Stars born in 1933. Above, Yoko Ono. Left, Elizabeth Montgomery. Below, Kim Novak

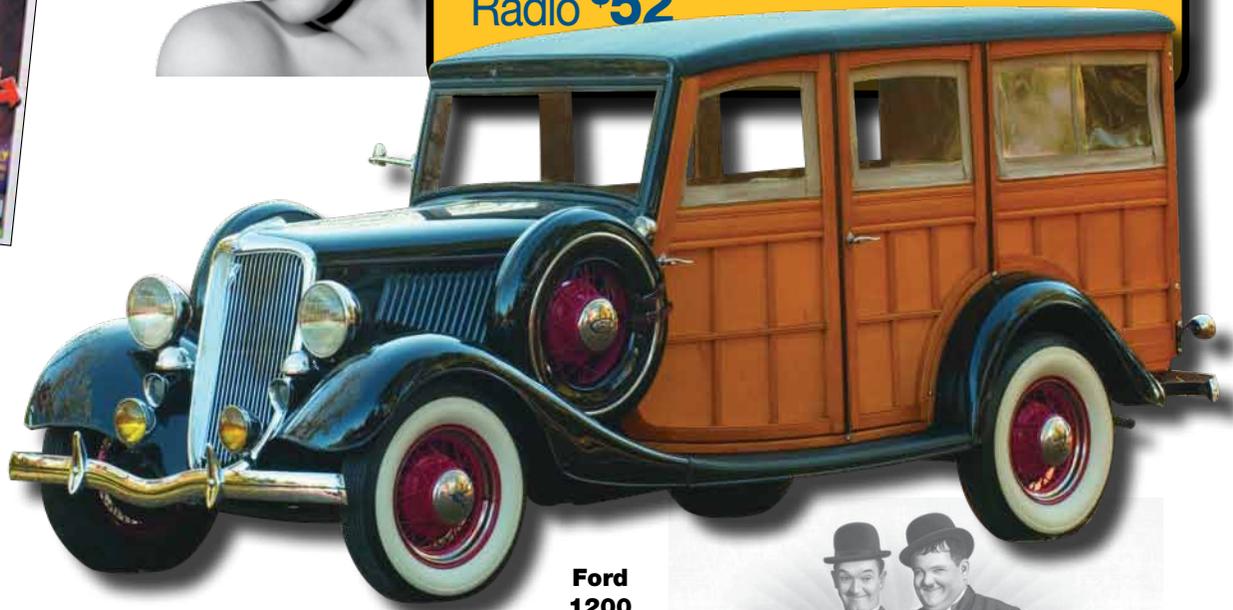
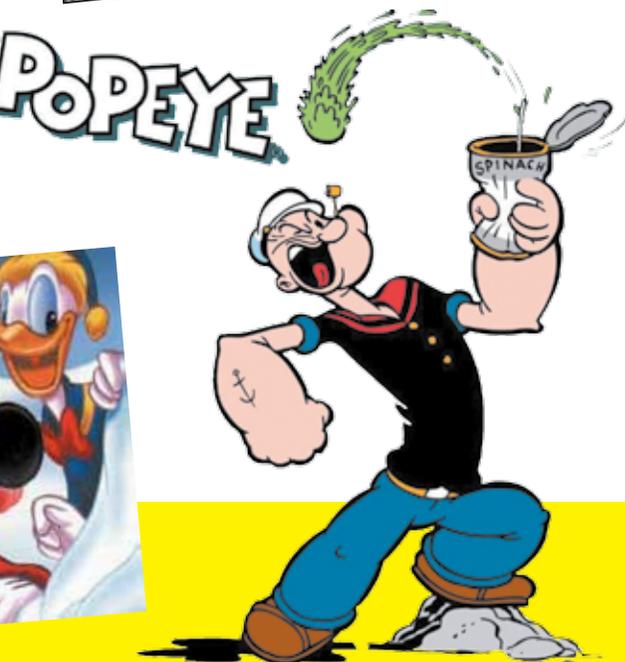


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Over 700 military homes seized

From UPI.com

Four large U.S. banks seized more than 700 homes of active-duty military personnel after the housing bubble burst, their reports to regulators say.

The New York Times reported that Bank of America, Wells Fargo, JPMorgan Chase, and Citigroup uncovered hundreds of cases of wrongful foreclosures of military personnel that occurred between 2009 and 2010.

The Federal Reserve and Office of the Comptroller of the Currency had ordered the largest mortgage lenders to hire independent consultants to review mortgages after the controversy

erupted in 2010 over banks hiring so-called foreclosure mills to handle a mountain of delinquent loans.

That review proved to be expensive and so slow that regulators moved to reach a settlement with the banks to provide relief for homeowners quickly.

But banks continued a review of loans to military personnel, looking for violations of the federal Servicemembers Federal Relief Act, which requires a court review of any foreclosures involving military personnel.

Reports were sent to regulators recently and are likely not to be released to the public because the numbers are

vague and could be misinterpreted, the Times said.

Banks all along had contended that despite the mistakes made by foreclosure mills very few people were actually evicted wrongfully from their homes.

At this point, Bank of America and JP Morgan have reviewed more than 2 million loans.

But the banks all together have found only 20 cases of non-military personnel in which properties were foreclosed even though homeowners were current on their payments.

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Homie's helpful oil tips

These are a few great tips for the use of vegetable and olive oil uses.

#1 The Trick for Sticky Pasta

If your pasta came out to sticky, let it cool, then sauté it with enough olive oil to lightly coat each noodle. Make sure to stir or toss while reheating.

#2 Silence Squeaky Hinges

Who needs WD-40 when you have vegetable oil?! Simply rub oil on squeaky hinges with a cloth, letting the oil run down the sides of each hinge.

#3 Wood Cleaner

Use vegetable or olive oil to dust your wooden furniture.

#4 Keep Bugs Away from a Bird's Bath

Just a few drops of canola or vegetable oil will keep mosquitoes from laying eggs in the water in your birdbath and won't hurt the intended residence.

#5 For the Humming Birds

Are ants overrunning your hummingbird feeder? Rub a bit of olive oil on the tip of the feeding tube, and they will stay away. The ants can't get through the oil, but hummingbirds can.

#6 Say Goodbye to Moles

Use olive oil in the yard to keep moles away, just soak an old rag and stuff it into a mole hole. They hate the smell and will stay away.

#7 Scratch Eraser

For tiny scratches in your wooden table or floor, Rub in vegetable or canola oil into the surface. The oil will darken the area and help it blend in.

#8 Soften Rough Feet

For the softest feet you've ever experienced, try this before bedtime. Rub down your feet with vegetable oil, then put on some old socks. When you wake up, the oil you'll will be gone and your feet will be supersoft...

#9 Is This How Elmer Fudd Shaves?

Shaving cream feels great, no doubt, but did you know it's actually not the most effective way to get a good shave..! Next time, try shaving with olive oil instead, you'll get a closer, smoother shave.

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CHARGERS REPORT

Handcuffed by the salary cap, patience is needed as the Chargers turn to bargain shopping in free agency

By Art Garcia, Jr.

During his farewell press conference former coach Norv Turner stated he would be surprised if the new Chargers coach would be able to make a run at the playoffs with the roster Turner was leaving. With the Chargers relative inactivity in re-signing their own free agents during the first three weeks of free agency, it appears new GM Tom Telesco and head coach Mike McCoy are in agreement with Turner.

In fact, as we head into April and the NFL Draft, Telesco and Co. have re-signed just four out of their own 20 unrestricted free agents who became available when the new NFL calendar year began March 5. And thanks to A.J. Smith's misses in free agency last year – both on the field of play and in guaranteed contracts – the players signed off the open market thus far haven't

generated any kind of excitement, let alone ticket sales. Although the lack of signings in free agency shouldn't be a shock to the media or the fans, Telesco said from the day he was hired he prefers to build through the draft, the big surprise is the number of starters they have lost or are going to lose from the strength of the team – the defense.

Gone from a defense ranked #9 overall last year are: Antoine Cason, Antonio Garay, Atari Bigby, Aubrayo Franklin and their inspirational leader Takeo Spikes. With Vaughn Martin, Shaun Phillips, Quentin Jammer, Demorrio Williams and Corey Lynch all in free agency limbo as we went to print, Chargers fans are probably wondering the same thing Hall of Fame

coach Vince Lombardi was when he was famously captured by NFL Films screaming "What the hell is going on around here?"

Despite the fact that outside of Phillips, opposing teams weren't game-planning around any of the aforementioned players, the bottom line is as a group they formed a cohesive unit that provided the team with steady, if not spectacular play.

With that in mind, now is not the time to panic. Appearances are very often deceiving – ever hear of addition by subtraction?



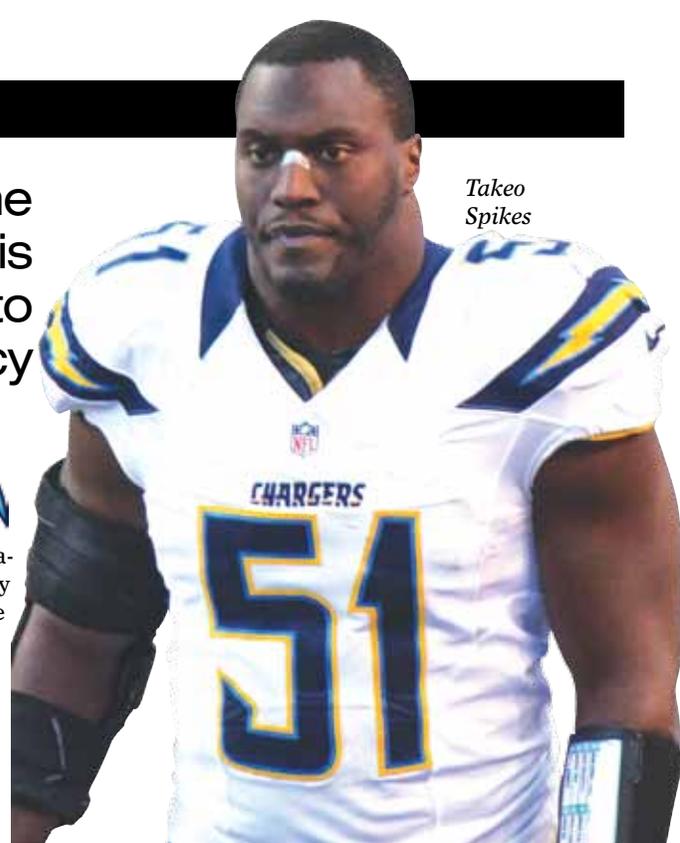
Head coach
Mike McCoy

Unlike Smith, Telesco is doing the smart thing by not over spending on one or two big-named players. Rather, he's signing quality 'football players' -- you know, those meat-and-potato type of guys who go out there and grind when their number is called upon.

Whether offensive tackle King Dunlap, guard Chad Rinehart, cornerback Derek Cox or running back Danny Woodhead are big enough names for fans to renew their season tickets for the upcoming season is irrelevant at this point. The big concern is can they come into the locker room and gel with their teammates enough to form a respectable squad that can compete every Sunday once the season begins in September?

Does anyone remember the big-named players former Chargers GM Bobby Beathard signed during the offseason in 1994? There were no Pro Bowlers amongst the names of Rueben Davis, Dwayne Harper, Dennis Gibson, Tony Martin, Gale Gilbert, Vance

Takeo
Spikes



Johnson or the late David Griggs and Rodney Culver. However, save for Johnson, each guy made a key contribution to help that team go on that magical run which ended in the Chargers one and only Super Bowl appearance.

The point here is not to compare the pre-draft '94 Chargers with the pre-draft '13 Chargers – Beathard had already built that team into a playoff contender since his arrival in 1990 and his hiring of Bobby Ross in 1992.

Rather, the point is to recognize it took Beathard two years to acquire the talent before hiring Ross to lead them in the right direction. Telesco's first order of business was to secure Mike McCoy as the new head coach – now let's give him the time to assemble his team.

The Endzone

With Spikes no longer on the team, the defense is in some serious need of veteran leadership. Might Telesco be willing to bring back Phillips, Jammer or both at cap-friendly salaries? Both Phillips and Jammer will turn 32 and 34 this year, respectively. Although they've both seen better days, their familiarity with their teammates and knowledge of coach Pagano's defensive scheme could be very valuable to a young defensive unit.



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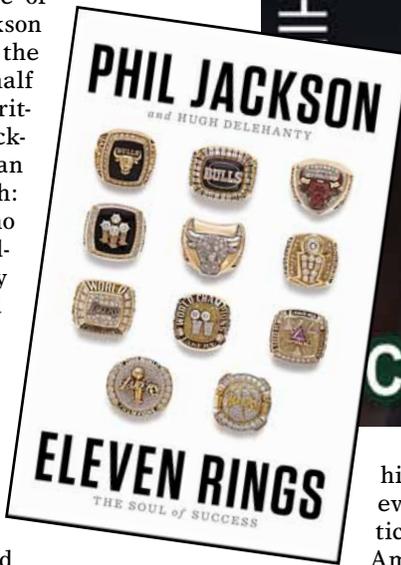
Phil Jackson is one of the greatest coaches in the history of the NBA. In his fourteen seasons as a head coach, he is 832-316, the best winning record in NBA history. He also holds NBA coaching records for most playoff wins and playoff winning percentage. Prior to coaching, he played thirteen years in the NBA, primarily with the New York Knicks. He is also the author of *Maverick*, *Sacred Hoops*, and, with his friend Charley Rosen, *More Than a Game*.

His new memoir, "Eleven Rings," is due to hit bookstores soon. The 66-year-old Jackson retired from coaching after last season.

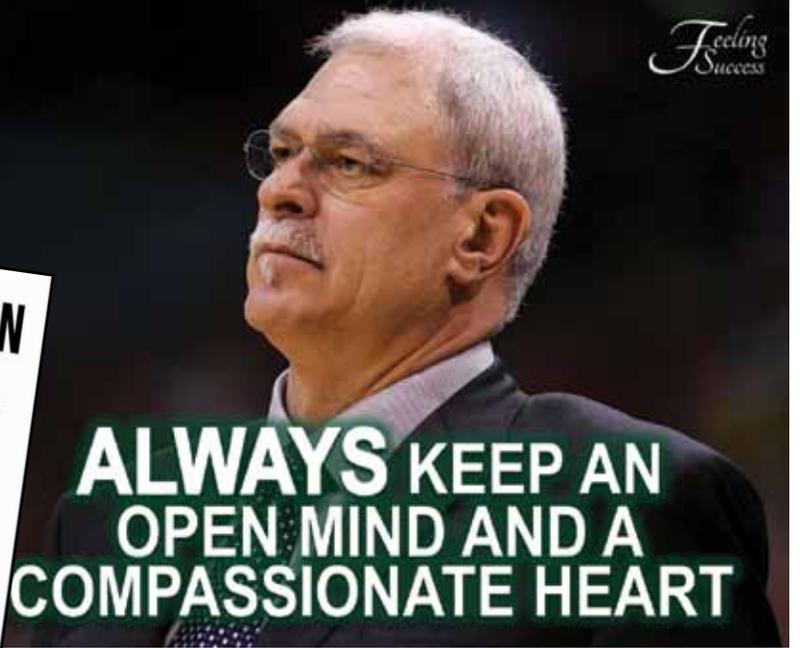
During his storied career as head coach of the Chicago Bulls and Los Angeles Lakers, Phil Jackson won more championships than any coach in the history of professional sports. Even more important, he succeeded in never wavering from coaching his

way, from a place of deep values. Jackson was tagged as the "Zen master" half in jest by sportswriters, but the nickname speaks to an important truth: this is a coach who inspired, not goaded; who led by awakening and challenging the better angels of his players' nature, not their egos, fear, or greed.

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In *Eleven Rings*, Jackson candidly describes how he:

- Learned the secrets of mindfulness and team chemistry while play-

ing for the champion New York Knicks in the 1970s

- Managed Michael Jordan, the greatest player in the world, and got him to embrace selflessness, even if it meant losing a scoring title

- Forged successful teams out of players of varying abilities by getting them to trust one another and perform in sync

- Inspired Dennis Rodman and other "uncoachable" personalities to devote themselves to something larger than themselves

- Transformed Kobe Bryant from a rebellious teenager into a mature leader of a championship team.

Eleven times, Jackson led his teams to the ultimate goal: the NBA championship—six times with the Chicago Bulls and five times with the Los Angeles Lakers. We all know the legendary stars on those teams, or think we do. What *Eleven Rings* shows us, however, is that when it comes to the most important lessons, we don't know very much at all. This book is full of revelations: about fascinating personalities and their drive to win; about the wellsprings of motivation and competition at the highest levels; and about what it takes to bring out the best in ourselves and others.

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MJ asks guests invited to his upcoming wedding for vows of silence

By Jay Busbee

Yvette Prieto and Michael Jordan. Don't tell anyone what you've seen here.

For most of us, a wedding invitation is something to be endured, an evening in overly nice clothes where you hope that the dinner and open bar offset the cost of the gift. But when you're talking about a celebrity, a wedding invitation is a winning lottery ticket, an opportunity to sell/tweet photos of the festivities to the unlucky uninvited.

Knowing this, Michael Jordan and his fiancée Yvette Prieto have announced that their April 27 wedding in Palm Beach, Fla., will be the gossip equivalent of a no-fly zone.

The couple's invitation apparently included, according to the Chicago Sun-Times, a card requesting guests not share any details about the wedding, as well as a request not to talk to

media or anyone who might talk to the media. Oh, and leave those cell phones and cameras at home, too.

(Yes, we're aware of the irony of somebody violating a no-talk card by talking about the no-talk card.)

According to the Sun-Times, Jordan and Prieto have a stringent prenuptial agreement, as Jordan has an estimated \$650 million to protect. The newspaper indicates that their agreement gives Prieto \$1 million for every year they were married should they divorce, and if they reach the 10-year mark, that payment increases to \$5 million for every year. Jordan's 2006 divorce from Juanita Vanoy resulted in a payment of an estimated \$168 million.

Jordan's desire for privacy is obvious and understandable. The question is: How long will it really last? Hours or minutes?



Annual Bike Blessing & Benefit Rally benefits WF

Bikers for Christ International, along with Kennedy's Custom Cycles will be hosting the 11th. Annual Bike Blessing on Sunday April 7 from noon to 4 p.m. Kennedy's Custom Cycles is located at 3028 San Luis Rey Road in Oceanside. This

is a family friendly event featuring, raffles, vendors, a rededication of marriage vows and live music provided by the Full Throttle Band and Union of Saints.

Rally registration is \$15.00 per single, \$25.00 per couple and \$5.00 for children under sixteen. Registration includes a gourmet lunch, and one free raffle ticket. Rally and music are free. You can help the cause by being part of the solution.

This year, money raised will benefit KFMB's Warrior Foundation and

the Downed Bikers Fund. The Warrior Foundation's mission is to help injured, and disabled military heroes leading the fight in the war against Terror. They vow to assist, honor, and support the soldiers who have so bravely served and sacrificed

for our country. You can visit them at <http://warriorfoundation.com/>.

The Downed Bikers Fund assists bikers and their families after motorcycle accidents which require hospitalization.

The registration net proceeds will help the Warrior Foundation and the Downed Biker Fund continue their important work. All donations will be appreciated for these recipients.

For more information about Bikers for Christ International, their website is: www.BikersforChrist.org

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Far left, Hotel Monaco's Grand Cafe. Left, Blue Gold Ferry.. Below, taking a ride on Angel Island

On and off the grid in SAN FRANCISCO

Travel decisions usually fall into well defined categories: where to stay, how to get around, what to do and where to eat, along with finding something different or "off the grid." The definition of "off the grid" has morphed from living without public utilities to doing something out of the ordinary or unconventional.

Given that, here's my on and off the grid guide to San Francisco.

On the grid

Where to Stay — Location, location, location. I am a Kimpton groupie and San Francisco is where they opened their first boutique hotel (www.kimptongroup.com). There are nine Kimpton properties in "The City by the Bay." This trip we stayed at the award winning, newly renovated, four-star Hotel Monaco (www.monaco-sf.com) located in the Theater District just four blocks from Union Square.

How to Get Around — I highly recommend purchasing the San Francisco CityPASS (www.citypass.com) discount booklet. This allows you to ride the world-famous cable car as well as the Muni (public transportation). Additionally, Blue & Gold Fleet (www.blueandgoldfleet.com) and Rocket-Boat tours on the Bay are included. CityPASS is a great value.

What to Do — The San Francisco CityPASS also provides entrance to must-see attractions. We visited the California Academy of Sciences, the Museum of Modern Art (SFMOMA), the deYoung + Legion of Honor and The Exploratorium.

Where to Eat — Just as Kimpton is the leader in boutique lodging, so have they changed the perception of hotel restaurants.

Scala's Bistro (www.scalasbistro.com) is the definitive San Francisco dining experience; sophisticated with attentive, knowledgeable servers and great attention to preparation and presentation. Located inside the landmark Sir Francis Drake Hotel, its menu pulls from rustic Italian with French nuances, combined with the freshness of California cuisine. As you would imagine, there is an extensive wine list, creative desserts and lively bar scene.

Puccini & Pinetti's (www.puccini-andpinetti.com) is a long-time favorite of mine. This reasonably priced Italian bar and grill is located just off Union Square and is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. It has an exhibition kitchen featuring Italian classics with novel twists. It could best be described as a neighborhood style restaurant that's kid friendly, with an energetic and casual atmosphere. I usually end up grazing at their happy hour extravaganza, but this trip lunch was on my schedule. Try their 3-course "Working Lunch."

My two other meals were at the Hotel Monaco. Their Grand Cafe Brasse-

rie's setting is a turn-of-the-century majestic ballroom with soaring ceilings and art deco features mixed with contemporary touches. The food is regional French cuisine with local influences. A special weekend brunch menu combines imaginative breakfast items with entrees; don't miss their take on the classic Croque Monsieur.

Lunch is also a treat in this splendid room. The mussel appetizer with freshly baked bread is enough for a meal. The adjoining Grand Cafe Bar features a happy hour and pre-and post-theater dining.

Off the grid

How to Get Around — When I made

hotel reservations, I noticed that Pacific Heights Limo (www.phlimo.com) handled transportation for the Hotel Monaco.

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'I never had quiche with that woman'

Former President Clinton and President Obama were in a restaurant ordering brunch. The waitress asks Obama what he would like to order. After looking at the menu, the President says, "I would like Eggs Benedict."

The waitress says, "Fine, and what will you have Mr. Clinton?"

Perusing the menu, Clinton says, "Well, I think I'd like to have a quickie."

Taken aback, the waitress responds, "Why Mr. Clinton, that's awful, and you being an ex-President and all!"

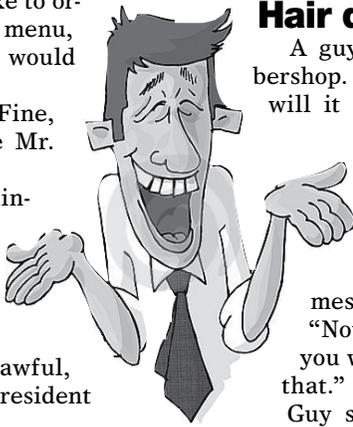
Then Obama leans over and whispers into Clinton's ear, "Bill, that's pronounced 'quiche.'"

Clinton responds, "Hey, you order what you want and I'll order what I want."

New take on the three wishes

A guy was in a cave, looking for treasure. He found an old lamp, rubbed it, and a genie came out. The genie said "I will grant you three wishes, but your ex-wife will get double." The man agreed, and said "I wish I had a mansion." The genie granted it, and his ex-

wife got two mansions. The man said "I would like a million dollars." The genie again granted it and his ex-wife got two million dollars. Then the man said, "Scare me half to death."



Hair don't

A guy walks in to the barbershop. Barber says, "What will it be today?" Guy says, "Well I want it going with my waves on top, faded on one side, plug the other, and just make it all out of shape and messed up." Barber says, "Now why in the world do you want your hair cut like that."

Guy says, "That's how you cut it last time."

Wish wording 101

A man and an ostrich walk into a restaurant. The waitress asks, "What will it be?"

The man replied, "A burger and a coke." "And you?" "I'll have the same," the ostrich replies. They finish their meal and pay. "That will be \$4.50," The man reached into his pocket and pulled out the exact amount. They do this every day till Friday.

"The usual?" she asked. "No, today is Friday. I'll have steak and a coke."

"Me too," says the ostrich. They finish and pay. "That will be \$10.95"

The man reached in and pulls out the exact amount again just like all week.

The waitress was dumb-founded. "How is it that you always have the exact amount?"

"Well," says the man. "I was cleaning my attic and I found a dusty lamp. I rubbed it and a genie appeared." "Wow!" said the waitress. "What did you wish for?"

"I asked that when I needed to pay for something, the exact amount would appear in my pocket." "Amazing! Most people would ask for a million dollars. But what's with the ostrich?" "Well," said the man. "I also asked for a chick with long legs."

One-liners never get old

A man had a nose ring fitted into his nose, a friend asked, "how much did you pay for that?"

"I paid through the nose!" he replied

What do you say to a hitchhiker with one leg?

Hop in

We spend the first twelve months of our children's lives teaching them to walk and talk, and the next twenty-four years telling them to sit down and shut up!

Coffee catastrophe

A plane was taking off from Kennedy Airport. After it reached a comfortable cruising altitude, the captain made an announcement over the intercom, "Ladies and gentlemen, this is your captain speaking.

Welcome to Flight Number 293, non-stop from New York to Los Angeles. The weather ahead is good and, therefore, we should have a smooth and uneventful flight. Now sit back and relax - OH, MY G-D!"

Silence followed, and after a few minutes the captain came back on the intercom and said, "Ladies and Gentlemen, I am so sorry if I scared you earlier; but, while I was talking, the flight attendant brought me a cup of coffee and spilled the hot coffee in my lap. You should see the front of my pants!"

A passenger in Coach said, "That's nothing. He should see the back of mine!"

Random blonde jokes

Q: How can you tell who is a blonde's boyfriend?

A: He's the one with the belt buckle that matches the impression in her forehead!

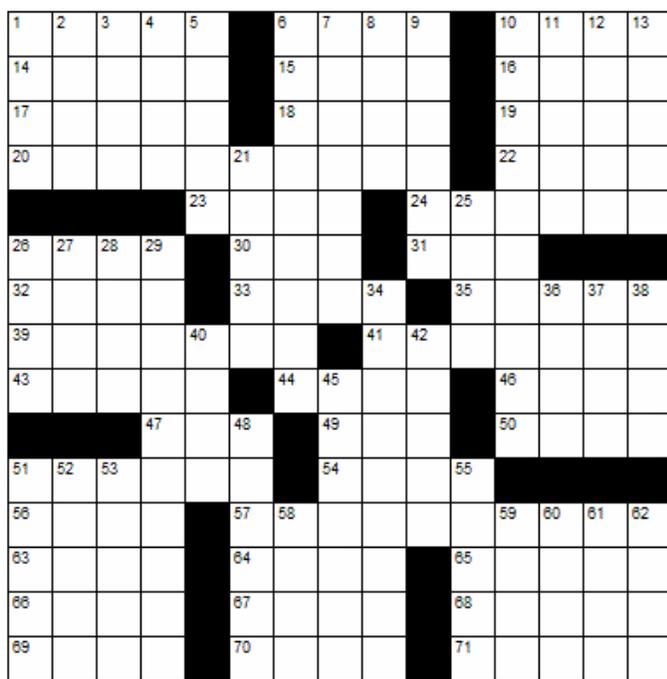
Q: Did you hear about the two blondes that were found frozen to death in their car at a drive-in movie theater?

A: They went to see "Closed for Winter."

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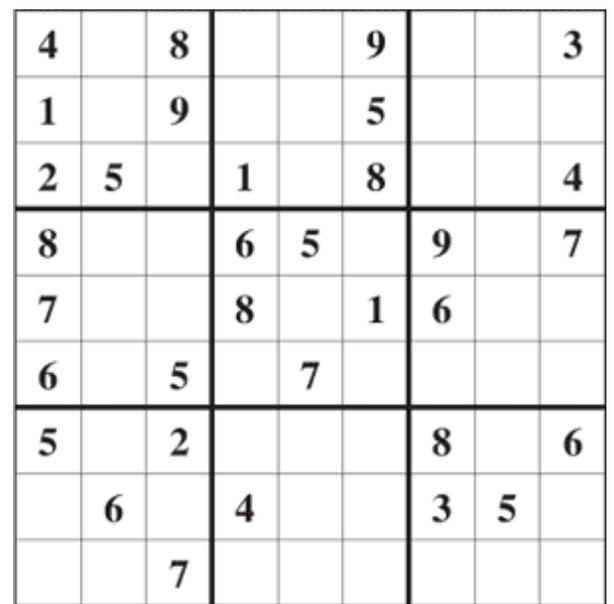
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- 1. Leaf opening
- 6. Fraud
- 10. How old we are
- 14. Duck down
- 15. Ripped
- 16. Peddle
- 17. Without company
- 18. Regretted
- 19. Couch
- 20. Functional
- 22. Modify
- 23. Circle fragments
- 24. Ancient ascetic
- 26. Beige
- 30. Consumed food
- 31. Aye
- 32. Bridle strap
- 33. Swear
- 35. Overact
- 39. Whole number
- 41. Male ruler of an empire
- 43. Pilfer
- 44. Border
- 46. A noble gas
- 47. Second (abbrev.)
- 49. Mistake
- 50. Lacquered metalware
- 51. A person without pigment
- 54. Tumbled
- 56. King of the jungle
- 57. Growing
- 63. Alley
- 64. Dwarf buffalo
- 65. Risk
- 66. 1 1 1 1
- 67. Enumerate
- 68. Genus of heath
- 69. Sailors
- 70. Carry



DOWN

- 1. Oceans
- 2. Lean
- 3. Smell
- 4. List of options
- 5. Betel palm
- 6. System
- 7. Parts of a meal
- 8. Region
- 9. Potpourri
- 10. Appraisal
- 11. Crystal-lined rock
- 12. Spritelike
- 13. Tablet
- 21. Small amount
- 25. Dribble
- 26. Twin sister of Ares
- 27. 1/100th of a dollar
- 28. Liturgy
- 29. Feelings of anxiety
- 34. Discriminate
- 36. Chocolate cookie
- 37. Anagram of "Loot"
- 38. Sea eagle
- 40. Secluded valley
- 42. European blackbird
- 45. Thaw
- 48. A hard metallic element
- 51. Bestow
- 52. Tropical vine
- 53. Silly mistake
- 55. Bounded along
- 58. Pearly-shelled mussel
- 59. Roman emperor
- 60. Colored part of an eye
- 61. Agreeable
- 62. Happy



SUDOKU

The rules to play Sudoku are quite simple. Fill in the blanks so that each row, each column, and each of the nine 3x3 grids contain one instance of each of the numbers 1 through 9.

Last issue's solutions:



Good... vs. evil

By Grant J. Kidney

Hitler, the man labeled by many as the most vicious person who has ever lived, was not just a mass-murdering dictator. Of course all the media wants to talk about was how evil the Third Reich was. But great evil is almost always balanced by great good — this is a cosmic principle of nature. If any man embodied such balance of light and dark, it was Adolf Hitler.

I'm not a Nazi nor am I ambivalent to the atrocities Hitler committed...

I just want to make it abundantly clear before I continue that I am not a Nazi sympathizer in any way, shape, or form. One thing I'm sick of however is how "taboo" the subject of Adolf Hitler still is. It's okay to talk about Nero, Julius Caesar, or Vlad the Impaler and to speculate "this" or "that" about such figures in mankind's history — but make one mention of Hitler and right off the bat one has to first emphasize that they're not racist, bigoted, or hateful in any manner or to any degree — just as I did a few sentences earlier!

It's kind of like saying, "Hey dude, before we sit down and have a conversation about Genghis Khan, I just want to clear the air and state for the record that I am in no way a Chinaman hell-bent on uniting the nomadic tribes of North-East Asia."

The Nazis didn't just kill people!

Besides the events that everyone since childhood has been told of, particularly the story of the holocaust, there were many astonishing acts carried about by Hitler's government that few are familiar with. The following are six good achievements made by the Third Reich that radically set the stage for future advancement in many particular fields, sciences, and social norms.

1. No smoking.

Hitler was vehemently anti-smoking. The Nazi's were also the first to link smoking to the contraction of cancer. .

2. The Hitler Mobile?

Hitler wanted every German, whether rich or poor, to have a car. And thus he invented the Volkswagen ("People's Car").

3. Spare some change?

Before coming into power in 1933, mass unemployment crippled the German economy. The global depression of that era made it so that a wheelbarrow full of money couldn't even buy a loaf of bread. When the Nazis stormed on to the scene, they put everyone back to work. Over night, the wheels of the economy were turning once more and money was flowing back into people's pockets. .

4. His way or the highway.

Every time you hop on to the freeway to get somewhere faster than taking all the back roads, thank Hitler. That's right, Hitler invented the highway system ("Autobahn" in German). .

5. This little light of mine...

...I'm gunna let it shine! The Olympic torch relay ceremony was Hitler's idea for the 1936 Berlin Olympic games. We haven't since gotten rid of the ceremony.

6. Save the whales.

Hitler and many top Nazis were environmentalist types who cared deeply about animals and their rights. The Nazis were among the first to put in place laws protecting animals from abuse.

Aside from the above examples are many countless others wherein Hitler used his extraordinary power as dictator to push both good and evil poli-

cies. Again, it's important to realize the "yin yang" concept as alluded to prior when attempting to make sense of such information concerning the person and achievements of Adolf Hitler.

"What good fortune for governments that the people do not think."
— Adolf Hitler



Condemnation...

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DEBATE

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necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed." But what that means is the subject of intense debate. Pro-gun partisans argue that the Constitution's framers guaranteed peoples' right to possess and carry just about any sort of firearm. Gun control advocates say it was intended to allow states to maintain the equivalent of today's National Guard units.

But as Supreme Court Justice Charles Evans Hughes once noted, "The Constitution is what the judges say it is. And so far, probably to both sides' frustration, the courts have never fully defined the Second Amendment and its implications. Instead, the U.S. Supreme Court has issued a series of rulings that mostly have upheld the government's authority to impose restrictions upon weapons.

AMMO BUY

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MRAP vehicles that are scheduled to be deployed on the streets of America. The number of vehicles they are purchasing has not been released, but they are part of the 2,717 that have been recently retro-
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fitted by the manufacturer. The DHS appears to be taking delivery of the armored vehicles through the Marine Corps Systems Command located in Quantico, Virginia.

The scary part of the DHS acquiring MRAP vehicles is that they have been already been spotted in a number of cities throughout the country. DHS cannot deny their existence since a number of them have been photographed and videoed by citizen observers.

Why would DHS need so many, assuming they are purchasing over a thousand, MRAP vehicles deployed throughout the U.S., unless they are preparing for a war of some kind. Now add to that question the fact that the MRAP vehicles are equipped with gun ports.

There can be no doubt that Barack Hussein Obama is preparing for the bloodiest war in American history and it's going to take place here on American soil. When? It has to be prior to the 2016 election, unless he manages to force a constitutional amendment allowing himself to run for a third term. However, I truly don't think the amendment will be necessary, because he plans to forcibly take control of the country prior to the election. Everything points to the conclusion that this is all in preparation for a hostile military takeover.

SEIZED

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Other findings included over-charging lenders. But wrongful evictions among non-military loans were few, the banks reported.

Still, lawmakers could seize on the new reports and demand a tougher response than the settlement that included \$3.6 billion in cash relief and \$5.7 billion worth of other compensation for 4.2 million homeowners.

"It's absolutely devastating to be 7,000 miles from your home fighting for this country and get a message that your family is being evicted," Col. John S. Odom Jr., a retired Air Force lawyer who now represents military members in foreclosure cases, told the Times.

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