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Twenty- Sixth Edition

Countdowns:

Happy Birthday, Harry Larry!
10 days– Shillem's 1st Birthday
45 days– Janice's 41st Birthday

Family Happenings:

Sabbath Visitor

Last Sabbath, Scott Michael Bennet, a traveling singer and good friend of Jerryn's, was able to visit Carmel. Three years ago, he was involved in what would have been a fatal vehicle accident, if not for several miracles that spared his life. Now, years later, he was finally able to come to Carmel to share his uplifting testimony and a few inspiring songs. He stopped by our house, before driving away to another commitment. It was an enjoyable Sabbath, and we hope that he can return in the future.

Cooking School Begins

After weeks of planning, organizing, lecture writing, and advertising, the Fresh Start Cuisine Cooking classes finally began. Just yesterday, Jerryn borrowed the conference truck and, with the assistance of a helpful church member, transported two brand- new TV's to the Bash, an event hall within minutes of the church. After they had finished unloading some essential audiovisual equipment from the truck, they set everything up. Meanwhile, others were cooking food and preparing the registration table. Jerryn shared the benefits of vegetarianism, and Janice demonstrated four delicious, healthy, and appetizing dishes.

Story Selection

The Flip Side of Tubing

By: Janice Schmidt

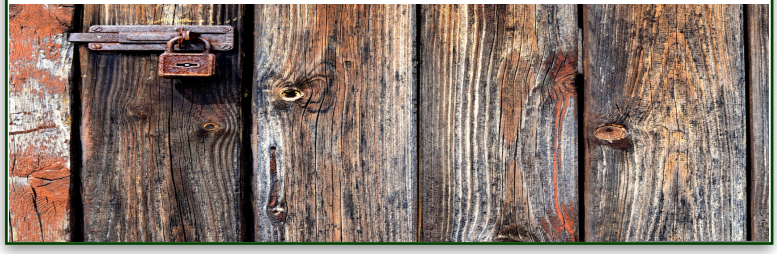
The river carried us on and on, with little time to plan or maneuver. Suddenly Darren was calling, "Janice! You need to get over to this channel!" "It's too far!" I gasped. I slapped the water with my hands and splashed with my feet, but to no avail. Darren plunged toward me. "Let me help you." I pulled away. "I'm making it." Inwardly I hoped I would. But he was determined to get me across, so he grabbed my foot. He swam off, dragging me unwillingly behind. Then, without warning, a midstream rock threw me off balance. It started all over again. The lunge for the tube. The waves. The rocks. I strained at one after another, but the current pulled me away. Once I laid hands on that tube I wouldn't let go. But it didn't do much good. The river was swifter now and full of rocks. And then a new line. "Help! Help!" I called, but I didn't even know that I was saying it at first. On and on I went. Around another bend and another. All I had managed to do was loop one arm through the tube. The current pulled me right into the middle of the river, away from the shore where I could have righted myself. I was going down the river headfirst on my stomach. "Don't you remember learning river safety?" I scolded myself. "If you're out of your boat, float feet first on your back!" It's a little harder to implement it in real life, and I learned that the hard way! Pumped with adrenaline, I lunged for a rock and pulled myself into the quiet eddy behind it. Wet, shaken, and cold, I was covered with scratches and bruises. What an experience! But it was worth it all. I climbed back on and rode out the rest of the rapids. I conquered the river and by facing my fear opened the way for many new adventures to come!

The News

THE STORY

After sufficient rest, relaxation, and recuperation, the Russian recruits reluctantly related their rousing report. The had discovered that the subterranean train led to 49 different cities in Iraq, each one hidden by an intricate maze of twisting tunnels, perplexing passageways, and confusing corridors. There was food, the party discovered, in hidden caches at the ends of long, labyrinthine lanes, along with water fountains and light switches. However, the expedition stumbled upon this important discovery on the last day of their imprisonment, which didn't do them too much good. But the most important clue of anything that the Russian soldiers had discovered, the part that Iraq hoped against hope that Russia would never find, was through a supremely sophisticated system of serpentine subterranean passageways. It wasn't a gold mine, a silver stash, or even the president's dwelling.

It was a door.



HARRY LARRY'S BIRTHDAY

Meanwhile, life is going on as normal in the 49 states of America. Or maybe not. Harry Larry, the 49th president of the United States, has just turned 110. That's old. So old, in fact, that Congress is currently voting whether or not to allow Mr. President to continue in his supreme role. As usual, Harry Larry has some interesting ideas. When asked what he would like for his birthday dinner, he replied, "Give me hay, straw, and grass for the appetizer, and a horse- shaped chocolate birthday cake for dessert. He never lost his love for horses, and he recently special ordered a horse themed royal limousine, for all his attendants, security, and himself. In typical Harry Larry style, this new ride will be driven by hamsters. The United States possesses an unusual leader, and he's not getting younger. Harry Larry made a prediction yesterday, "If I make it to 110, I'll make it to 210 for sure". We'll see about that!

Adverti$ment $e¢tion

Fernando's Fortifications

– Old, rotting historic fort that *used* to defend American soldiers– $52,252,525

– Brand new, squeaky clean fort that *will* defend the British– $22,552,525,252,252,525

– Middle aged, typical fort *built* to house peace treaties between the Americans and the British– $52,552,222

Sandy's Sandy Sand

– 100 cubic feet of rocky sand– 243,123¢

– 200 cubic feet of powdery sand– 321,342¢

– 300 cubic feet of sandbox sand– 123,456¢

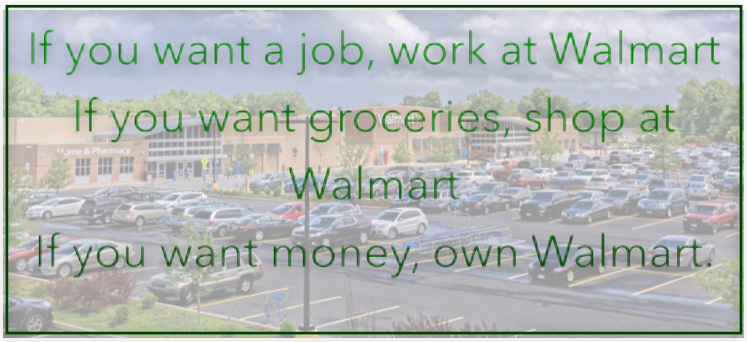
– Photo of 400 3d footprints in 3 types of sand– 654,321¢

Gladys' Glasses

– Specialty timed sunglasses– blocks out the sun for 5 minutes; then falls off your head. Perfect for short drives, and you can set it for any set amount of time. $324.32⁴

– Permanent glasses transplants– requires intense surgery and attaches perfect prescription glasses *permanently* to you skull. $432.43²

– Removable standard glasses– normal in every way– except that they belong in the kitchen. $234.23⁴



Strange But True – Fun Facts

There are many seemingly magical and puzzling effects of math, and here is one that you might find quite interesting: Take any 3-digit number with each succeeding digit smaller than the one before it, such as 942. Now, reverse the order of the digits and subtract this from your original number. (942- 249= 693). Reverse the answer (in this case, 693), from its reverse (396), and then add the final two numbers together. If you followed the directions correctly, your answer should be 1,089–no matter which qualified number you used!

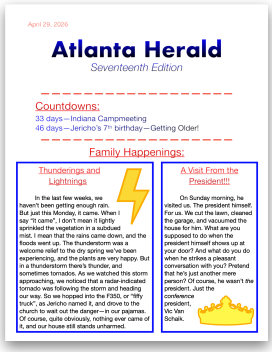
Atlanta Herald News

Sometime during the next few months, we are planning to launch a website for the Atlanta Herald, with much more than just the weekly newspaper. Look for more announcements concerning this future introduction!

We are currently looking for stories for the Story Selection. If you have a good story, send it in, and it will appear in a few weeks!

–The Editor

Inside the Atlanta Herald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Seventeenth Edition

Countdowns:

33 days—Indiana Campmeeting
46 days—Jericho's 7th birthday—Getting Older!

Family Happenings:

Thunderings and Lightnings

In the last few weeks, we haven't been getting enough rain. But just this Monday, it came. When I say "it came", I don't mean it lightly sprinkled the vegetation in a subdued mist. I mean that the rains came down, and the floods went up. The thunderstorm was a welcome relief to the dry spring we've been experiencing, and the plants are very happy. But in a thunderstorm there's thunder, and sometimes tornados. As we watched this storm approaching, we noticed that a radar-indicated tornado was following the storm and heading our way. So we hopped into the F350, or "fifty truck", as Jericho named it, and drove to the church to wait out the danger—in our pajamas. Of course, quite obviously, nothing ever came of it, and our house still stands unharmed.

A Visit From the President!!!

On Sunday morning, he visited us. The president himself. For us. We cut the lawn, cleaned the garage, and vacuumed the house for him. What are you supposed to do when the president himself shows up at your door? And what do you do when he strikes a pleasant conversation with you? Pretend that he's just another mere person? Of course, he wasn't the president. Just the conference president. Vic Van Schaik.

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Mad Libs

(For best results, don't turn the page until you have completed this).

Mad Libs is a fun and humorous activity. To complete it, first fill in the blanks below with random words matching the part of speech listed. For example where it says "noun", you could put "horse", "chair", or even "planet". Then, fill in the blanks on the next page using your list words in order. Enjoy!

Adjective:_____
Profession _____
Noun:_____
Adjective:_____
Plural Noun:_____
Noun:_____
Plural Noun:_____
Adjective:_____
Noun:_____
Type of Liquid:_____
Noun:_____
Noun:_____
Plural Noun:_____
Noun:_____
Adjective:_____
Number:_____

Scripture Of The Week

"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also." –John 14: 1-3

Puzzle Page

Mad Libs

DRIVER'S CHECKLIST

Before you follow the open road to a/an _____ adventure,
ADJECTIVE
don't forget to forget to:

1. Have a/an good _____ give your _____ a/an
PROFESSION NOUN
_____ tune-up.
ADJECTIVE

2. Make sure there is sufficient air in all four _____ as well
PLURAL NOUN
as in your spare _____.
NOUN

3. Make sure your windshield _____ are functioning _____.
PLURAL NOUN ADJECTIVE

4. Be sure to have a flash _____, some bottled _____,
NOUN TYPE OF LIQUID
and an emergency _____ kit in your glove _____.
NOUN NOUN

5. For your safety and the safety of the other _____, don't
PLURAL NOUN
even think about getting behind the _____ of the car
NOUN
without getting a/an _____ night's sleep of at least
ADJECTIVE
_____ hours.
NUMBER