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Thursday's Menu

Breakfast:

Pancakes and Syrup
Ham Slice
Tater Crowns
Pumpkin Muffins
Donuts
Apple Juice
Oatmeal

Lunch:

Smoked Turkey and Swiss
Sandwich
Crisp or Soft Shell Tacos
Tortilla Chips and Nacho Sauce
Refried Beans
Mexican Rice

Dinner:

Chicken-Fried Chicken Breast
Italian Meatballs
Newman's Own Marinara
Sauce
Whipped Potatoes and
Creamed Gravy
Spaghetti
White Rice
Vegetable Blend
Carrot Coins
Hot Rolls

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Spider Man Scales Brooklyn Bridge

A man turned the Brooklyn Bridge into his personal jungle gym Tuesday, tying up traffic for hours before police finally coaxed him down from the suspension cables.

Police said the climber, 23-

year-old construction worker Jenol Sealy, never appeared suicidal, but once down, he said he "had issues." He was taken to Kings County Hospital for evaluation. It was not immediately clear if he would be charged.

"He really didn't have much to say about why he was up

there," said Inspector Ronald Wasson. "At one point, he actually seemed like he was having a good time."

Sealy's high-wire act began at about 9 a.m. when he was spotted climbing the bridge's web of cables. Police officers soon closed the bridge and launched a rescue effort; causing traffic jams on the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway and attracting live television coverage.

Police officers watched as Sealy spent the next two hours scaling the cables and ignoring their pleas to come down. At one point, he asked them for a beer and cigarette. Two hours later, looking exhausted, he gave up.

DJ Soper
Kennedy

Interview: "Who is For Real?"

On Tuesday night I had the opportunity to interview the co-chairperson of the Guerilla Committee, Skater #2. The Guerilla Committee is a part of the 3rd party. The skaters are the two co-chairs of the Guerilla Committee. We sat down and had a chat and here is what he had to say.

Ryan Hawks: What was the deal with your last article?

Skater #2: We were assigned to the federalist party, and we volunteered to work for the precinct committee. We realized that the Federalist Party was conservative and we are

both very liberal, but we thought it would be fun to roll play, and try to make a sturdy platform for the feds. Once the meeting got underway we quickly realized that we were in the wrong place. Everyone was so narrow minded, and shut out anyone who thought of drilling in parks, and legalizing marijuana. They basically treated us like crap. So, what goes around comes around. We exposed them. They were also talking about accepting bribery.

Ryan Hawks: I understand that they were trying to sue you. Tell me about that?

Skater #2: Yes, they were trying to sue me for liability, but since I used no names, and everything I said was true, they did not have a snowballs chance in hell to come out on top. There was the part about Cooper Martin, but we wrote a letter of retraction to him.

Ryan Hawks: Yeah, what was the deal with that?

Skater #2: Well, at the Monday night federalist prescient committee Nick Carnes showed up with Cooper and said he was a Nationalist helping out the feds, and I introduced him as "Our Tokyo Rose" I used that has him being a spy. In our Tuesday meeting Nick approached me, and told me that I was being sued by the Federalist Party, and that he would try and have the charges dropped if I wrote a letter of retraction. Nick said that Tokyo Rose was a bad parallel, and that Cooper was pretty much

neutral, and just helped out both parties. We apologize to him for the trouble, and we hope to restore his "good name".

Ryan Hawks: So did you ever actually get sued?

Skater #2: As of this interview, no.

Ryan Hawks: So tell me about yourselves.

Skater #2: Like I said we are chairmen of the Guerilla, who are a part of the 3rd party. The 3rd party is the voice of the minority we are very open-minded. Anti-mean persons and anti-vouchers are some of the main things that we stand for. We are like the Boys' State version of the Green Party. The Guerilla Committee is set up to expose all of the political wrong doings on all the levels of government. We are peaceful! We just want to have equal competition between counties, parties, and cities. We are basically here to make sure that nobody gets "the shaft." Now that Nick is in control of the government, and the federalist committee is gone things should run smoothly. We like Paul and Nick a lot, they are both great guys, but we are here to expose political wrong doings, and whether right or wrong we will expose them all.

Ryan Hawks,
Bradley County

The Missing Link Revealed?

It has been proclaimed as the most notorious scientific fraud of all time. Yet, for nearly half a century, Piltdown Man was seen as the vital missing evolutionary link that confirmed Charles Darwin's theory. So, just what was Piltdown Man and who was behind its attempt to deceive the world?

In 1912, lawyer and amateur archeologist Charles Dawson claimed that he had discovered an ape-like human's remains near Piltdown, England. The skull of this supposed human ancestor was most intriguing - the cranium was human-like but the jaw was very much like an orangutan. The Piltdown Man was instantly proclaimed as the definitive proof of our ape-like ancestry.

In 1953, however, British Scientists proved Piltdown Man to be an outrageous fraud. Radioactive dating showed that the cranium came from the skull of a modern man. The jaw, however, belonged to an orangutan. The teeth had been artificially filed down and the bones chemically stained to give the impression of age. To further the hoax, ancient animal bones had been also placed in the Piltdown vicinity.

With the discovery now revealed, the question became 'who was responsible for the hoax?' For years, the guilt was laid solely at the feet of Charles Dawson, the man who had 'discovered' the supposed ancient remains. Others who were

implicated included famous British author Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, former president of the Royal College of Surgeons Sir Arthur Keith and French priest Pierre Teilhard de Chardin. In recent times, however, the real mastermind behind the scandal has been uncovered. His name is Martin A.C. Hinton. He is a former curator of Zoology at London's Natural History Museum. Hinton died in 1961. In 1988, a canvas trunk that had belonged to Hinton was found at the Museum. It contained Elephant teeth, pieces of a fossil hippopotamus, and other such bones. On examination these bones were found to be stained with iron and manganese in exactly the same proportions as the Piltdown bones. When chromium was also discovered in the teeth of the specimens, just like the Piltdown bones, the case was clinched.

Martin was known as a practical joker. Letters suggest that his motive was to get revenge on his boss, Arthur Smith Woodward, who, he felt, had never given him the acknowledgement he deserved. Here was a discovery that Woodward wouldn't be able to ignore. And, just as Martin had planned, Woodward became convinced that Piltdown Man was the genuine article right up to his death, five years prior to the exposure of the fraud.

Of course, Martin's deception did far more than dupe his boss. The whole world was taken in. Museums worldwide proudly displayed copies and photographs of the Piltdown remains. Books and periodicals

also spread the news across the globe. Thus, the fraud had many convinced that mankind did, indeed, come from an evolutionary ancestry. Which, just goes to show how gullible we all can be. Now that we all feel like morons...

DJ Soper
Kennedy

Seattle's Slew: 13

Mariner's fans must be hoarse after watching their workhorse team win again Tuesday. Mike Cameron's two-run homer in the eighth lifted the M's to their franchise-record 13th straight wins, 5-4 over Texas. Stan Javier robbed Michael Young of a grand slam in the top of the inning. To top it off, A-Rod made the last out. Bret Boone, all 180 pounds of him is on track to get 190 RBI's this year.

The Mariners have the third-best 57-game record in baseball history. Only the 1912 New York Giants and the 1939 New York Yankees (both 46-11) were better after 57 games. The Mariners have outscored their opponents 57-17 in the eighth inning this season. In short, the M's are tearing it up!

Ryan Hawks,
Bradley County

Macedonia PM Calls for War

Overnight, five Macedonia soldiers were killed by Albanian rebels, leading the Prime Minister Ljubco Georgievski to call for a state of war against the attackers.

A call for war was also made

last May, but never passed due to strong persuasion from Western powers, who convinced Macedonia that declaring war would alienate many Albanian citizens in the state and only heighten tensions in the area.

The rebels claim they are fighting for the Albanian minority in Macedonia, but Macedonian officials claim they are trying to destroy the state.

Many Albanians also serve as a minority on the legislature, and as a sign of distrust, Georgievski ordered an oath of loyalty to be signed by all members.

The Albanian government also called on the United States and its allies to discontinue the flow of support they believe is being given to the rebels.

Zach Fridell
MacArthur County

Colorado Radio Station Fined for Playing Eminem Song

The Federal Communications Commission hit a Colorado Springs radio station with a \$7000 fine after playing an edited version of "The Real Slim Shady."

The FCC claims that while the song was edited for airwaves by Eminem's label, Interscope. The company declined to comment.

The ruling by the FCC claimed "the edited version of the song contains unmistakable offensive sexual references. In this regard, portions of the lyrics contain sexual references in conjunction with sexual

expletives that appear intended to pander and shock."

This precedent sets a high standard for all radio stations, if the fine is approved. Among other things, the radio stations could no longer rely on the "radio edit" label placed on albums. If this is the case, radio stations will play less potentially offensive music, severely limiting the songs available for play.

All of this comes two months after the FCC issued new guidelines, stating that innuendo is a factor contributing to appropriateness for the airwaves. Even if the expletives are deleted, innuendo is not allowed.

Zach Fridell
MacArthur County

MID POINT EVALUATION

As we all know, the Kansas Boys' State program is an outstanding program with a highly prestigious image worldwide. Yet delegates have the right to know-Exactly how is the 2001 team doing? I was able to catch up with individuals who have experienced past sessions, and get their outlook on our accomplishments.

I first talked with Russ Whorley, the official Seitz County advisor. Whorley attended the Kansas Boys' State program way back in 1959. Over the years, he has watched the evolution of the Boys' State program. According to Whorley, our current participants are "doing a fairly well job. Everyone seems to be putting out effort, and the

involvement is great." As a warning to all delegates, Whorley continued, "You have to have teamwork to have a successful year. Throughout the week, everyone has to keep involved."

James White also took time to evaluate our current group to this point. Though he never attended Boys' State in his younger days, White currently holds a position in the American Legion, and has also been able to experience a number of Boys' State sessions. "In some ways the program has changed, but at the same time, many things are still in tact," says White. "In order to make the most of this experience, all delegates have to get involved, relax, enjoy fellow staters, and make lifelong friends."

So as a note from the top, keep the good work up. We appear to be on the right track, but we cannot have let downs at any time. Relax this week, and remember, GET INVOLVED!

Jeff Coverdale
Pershing County

The Best Songs of Summer

Ever wonder what the best songs of the summer are, well according to CNN.com here are your top 10.

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5. "Dancing in the Streets," Martha & the Vandellas
6. "Groovin'," the Young Rascals
7. "Hot Fun in the Summertime," Sly and the Family Stone
8. "I Can See Clearly Now," Johnny Nash
9. "In the Summertime," Mungo Jerry
10. "Let's Go Crazy," Prince

Kevin Shelton
King County

Top honors at MTV Movie Awards

The MTV Movie Awards ceremony is supposed to be everything Oscars night is not. But on Saturday in Los Angeles, the younger awards show resembled the older one in two respects: "Gladiator" won best movie, just as it did at the Academy Awards; and Julia Roberts, who won a best-actress Oscar, took home the MTV award for best female performance in "Erin Brockovich."

In every other respect, the MTV show was unlike other awards fests, with honors handed out for best kiss (Julia Stiles and Sean Patrick Thomas in

"Save the Last Dance") and best fight (Zhang Ziyi vs. entire bar in "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon").

Other winners include the stars of "Charlie's Angels" for best on-screen team (angel Cameron Diaz also won best dance sequence for her moves in the film); Thomas for breakthrough male performance for his work in "Save the Last Dance"; and Erika Christensen for breakthrough female performance in "Traffic."

Jim Carrey won the ninth MTV Movie Award of his career -- best villain for his work in the title role of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas." Backstage, Carrey joked with CNN that he has so many MTV trophies around the house he trips over them.

Tom Cruise won his second MTV Movie Award for "Mission: Impossible 2" (the film also won best action sequence for its motorcycle chase scene). Best comedic performance went to Ben Stiller for "Meet the Parents."

Kevin Shelton
King County

Top Eleven Campaign Quotes

- 11) Did you see that insurance commissioner lady? -Phil
- 10) " 'My'- Jority" (opposed to majority)- Paul Day
- 9) I run a 'tight' ship - Paul Day
- 8) We're going to come together, together - Paul Day

7) chirp (the cricket noise)- Austin Boller

6) Put you eggs in 'my' basket- Paul Day

5) uhhh? - just about everyone

4) That's what I'm sayin', I'm sayin' - Staff Johnson IV

3) Check my background - Paul Day

2) "chabbas"

#1 Nobody gets the shaft at "Boys" State - Nick Carnes
The Comedy Critics

**Note from the editor- this publication is strictly for fun and not meant to be offensive any way. If anyone feels offended come talk to me and I'll let the party who put this together know about it. Thank You*

Eisenhower County Press Release

It has recently came up the highways of Eisenhower County are deteriorating. To solve this problems the commissions of our county have decided to fix whatever road-work the citizens of our county decide to do. To fund this project the county will be applying for grants and various funds from the state. The vote includes whether to do any number of the following:
\$450 of various road fixes
\$400 for new two-lane highway
\$500 for new bridge in the county

Eisenhower County

Letter to the Editor... **Carnes likes Shaft**

If the newly elected Gov. provides funds that are being strenuously sought by the Comm. on Ethics and Good Gov, we wish to use the money to provide the deprived males with a little incentive to enrich the last few days here at the fabulous Boys' State.

The six individuals on this commission have one question for Governor Nicky Carnes. What do you have to say about all the individuals who "got the shaft"? At least you could give the agencies the funds you promised. Your whole motto Mr. Carnes was for "no to give anyone the SHAFT". I know that the Lt. Governor candidate for the Nationalist party "got the SHAFT". He went from Lt. Governor to a weak fall out position in the Department of Transportation. That's a prime example of Nicholous Carnes' SHAFT.

Shaftees What's Your Opinion?

Right-to-Carry Bill

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June 8, 2001*

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In Florida; 565,00 licenses have been issued and only 113 repealed due to broken regulation.

Findings in Virginia, Kentucky, N. Carolina, and S. Carolina have shown that not a single concealed-carry permit holder has committed a violent crime.

Only once has a permit holder used a gun after an accident, which was ruled to be in self-defense.

A national survey of police officers finds they support such a bill in a three to one ration.

The cons of the bill are as follows:

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