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EDITORIAL

Same Difference

by JORDAN BUNKE

As the country with arguably the most global influence, the world's lens is constantly on the US. It is often criticized, as it carries the responsibility that comes with proclaiming itself to be the center of the free world. Common criticisms of the US include an aggressive foreign policy, strong-arming other nations, and an ignorant population. Whether it is elitism from Europe, jealousy, or any number of things, stereotypes of American ignorance and lack of understanding and sensitivity for foreign cultures are well-established stereotypes. The PISA Test is an international test that is administered by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) that assesses the educational standards around the world by testing sample students. Among the G7 countries, seven developed nations that are amongst the globe's leaders in international affairs, apart from Italy, America is the only country that ranks below the OECD average in a subject category: significantly below average in Mathematics.

Teaching math, as with anything that is expected to last and stand on its own, requires a strong foundation. For the past few years,

states in America have been adopting the Common Core Standards, a set of learning objectives and methods that are intended to standardize curricula across the academic spectrum and adequately prepare students for university. While the system has been in part successful, with standardized test scores improving in states that implemented Common Core early like Kentucky, it has faced significant criticism from professors and education advocates. The largest portion of criticism for Common Core is geared towards the way the system approaches early mathematics education. The Common Core Standards problems have become a popular target for complaints about the American math education system, and while some of the complaints are inflated and ignore the learning objective in question, there is still some merit to them.

Debate around the math component of the Common Core exploded when an elementary student's math test surfaced online and they were penalized for reaching the right answer in a way that they were not supposed to. For the question " 5×3 ", the student broke it down to, " $5 \times 3 = 5 + 5 + 5 = 15$ ". According to the Common Core Standards, the right way

to show this question is " $5 \times 3 = 3 + 3 + 3 + 3 + 3 = 15$ ". As " 5×3 " is read as five times three, indicating that a quantity of three is being multiplied five times. The next question asked the student to produce an array to model " 4×6 " and the student drew a grid four elements wide and six elements high. Again, despite the fact that the product of multiplication is identical regardless of which order the operation is performed in, Common Core Standards has a preferred way of showing this question, namely a grid that is six elements wide and four elements high. There is a justifiable reason for these standards and others like it, and that is for students to properly understand the phrasing of the question and ascertain exactly what it is asking. However, when implemented, in situations like this where the student is still fundamentally right, simply penalizing them and marking the answer wrong can create contempt for math in the student. In the case of Common Core Standards, a federally implemented program in one of the biggest countries in the world, this could lead to a serious numerical literacy issue in the long-term. In many ways, Common Core Standards is a step forward, and its goals and potential are certainly admirable. However, everyone must be on board and using beneficial teaching strategies to make it a success.



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Finance Class

by YUSEF ZIA

Schools: basically what defines the first 18 years of our lives. Institutions designed to provide us with opportunities for the future. The importance of schooling and education in society is undeniable, but many issues arise when discussing the quality of education, and it all boils down to what keeps the world running: money.

Most schools are run by government, meaning the activities and quality of education is entirely dependent on the amount the government can spend to invest in future generations.

Public schools are given money based on many factors, most significantly, the number of students attending the school. It is then up to the school to determine how to allocate school funds. It can often be very difficult to manage school funds, because not only do the schools have to provide an adequate level of education and learning resources for students, but they also must be able to fund extra-curricular programs to encourage more student involvement. When funds become too scarce, departments have to fundraise in order to maintain quality for students, or risk being shut down.

With all this talk of money management in schools, where do the funds go in Abe? The fine arts departments are able to make money from their many grand presentations, so they do not require as much funding to maintain a high quality. It is extremely important that every academic department is well equipped enough to properly teach students. This is mainly an

issue for the school's science department, where fewer funds lead to fewer learning activities. What's left over goes towards the other extra-curricular programs, mainly sports. Athletics are important to many students throughout the school, and the school must maintain an appealing athletics program or risk losing potential students to other high schools. What's left over is either used for the school-run clubs, or miscellaneous expenses like the new cafeteria furniture. When any of the previously mentioned departments have funding issues, it poses a risk to the variety that the school has to offer. If you have ever heard your teacher talk about why they can't print any handouts for the rest of the year, then you understand how every dollar counts for the school.

With that said, it would be nicer for every public school student if the government was able to offer more money to the schools. In an apparent step in the opposite direction, Alberta

Education released their funding manual for the next school year stating that it is taking steps towards eliminating school fees. While this is important to make schools more accessible, there needs to be some other way for schools to earn money or they will shrink their already tight budget. Being the left-wing millennial that I am, my suggestion for improving schools involves taking from the top to help those on the bottom.

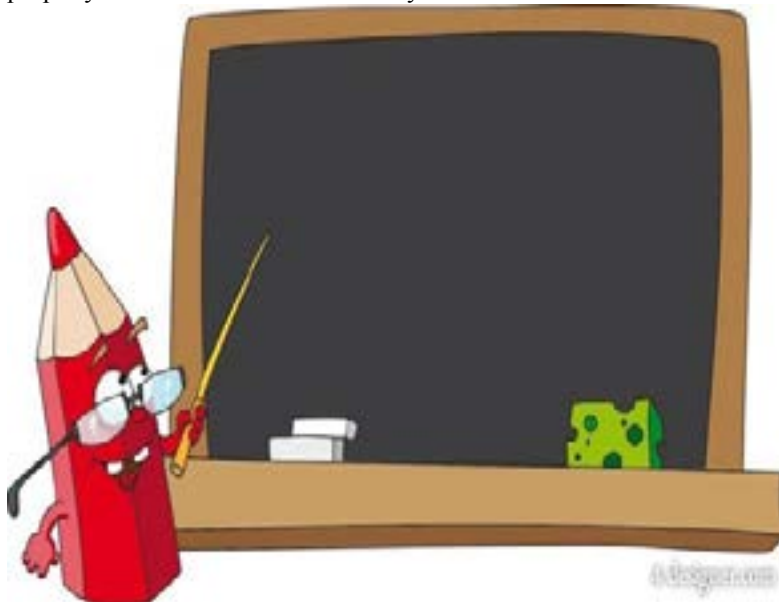
Private schools are how an elite few choose to educate their children. Since tuition costs are so high, private schools

rarely face the budgeting challenges that fall upon all public schools.

The result, an exclusive school that excels in funding its departments to enhance students' school experience. Of course, these opportunities are extremely inaccessible to anyone not willing to drop \$15,000 every year for grade school. Despite being very well off, private schools are still funded by the government for every student, even though those funds could be better spent in a public school system that needs anything it can get. In Finland, no schools are allowed to charge tuition fees, so private schools cannot exist.

This ensures equality of education for people all over the country. The quality of education people receive is no longer dependent on their social status, giving everyone in the country a more equal opportunity coming out of high school. Ensuring all kids go to public school benefits the public system and all students within it. The parents that are rich enough to be willing to spend \$50,000 to get their child through high school would invest that money into the public school board and improve the quality of learning for all students instead of just one.

We learn this early on in life: money rules the world. Even what we learn before we step out into the real world is dictated by it. Education is essential for everyone, and people deserve the best that their governing body can give them, for when we invest in our schools, we invest in our future.



A Pluviophile's Peace

by MACKENZIE CLARK

Perhaps it is the fact that summer is so tantalizingly close, but it seems that the air these days is humid with complaints regarding the weather. Many believe that happiness can only be derived from idyllic sunny days and that, therefore, rain is an excuse to become a curmudgeon. However, this form of “blue-sky thinking” is constricting, preventing us from truly extracting the beauty of every season. Spring, in particular, is a time of growth. The storms of life should be embraced, as they are catalyzers for future beauty.

Without rain, there is no growth. As with all weather, moderation is crucial. Incessant torrents can be just as detrimental as a continuous drought. This idea is shared in Don Henley’s “Praying for Rain”. Rainfall has an unequivocal impact on the prosperity of every living organism on earth, as it is the basis of life. As stated in this song, people pray for peace, health and happiness, but “none of this will matter much if the waters don’t come down”.

There is something eternally charming about the way raindrops fall, rhythmically pattering on the window. Yet, rain always seems to represent sadness, serving as a metaphor in this most melancholy music. For example, “Crying in the Rain” by the Everly Brothers, or “Raining in my Heart” by Buddy Holly. However, joy and peace of mind can be found even on the rainiest of days. It can be therapeutic to watch the rain trickling down a window, or down the street, flushing the accumulated toxins and waste from everything in its wake. Furthermore, as stated in Eddie Rabbitt’s “I Love a Rainy Night”, thunderstorms always end with a renewed sense of peace and hope. Plus, there is no better smell than petrichor; that is, the unparalleled smell of the earth after rain. It seems to evoke a childish creativity and joy.

Rain provides us puddles to jump in and a welcome excuse to be child-like. As children, we possess an intrinsic sense of wonder and curiosity; we’re more willing to see beauty in the mundane. Perhaps if this perspective were preserved all throughout life, it would be easier to admire how magnificent the forces of nature are. Clouds are expressions of the atmosphere’s moods, and can be read like those of a person’s countenance. Taking time to stroll in the rain, with your head in the clouds, can provide the opportunity to marvel at the ephemeral beauty of life. As shown in the musical, “Singin’ in

the Rain”, we should all live in such a way that the presence of rain does not disturb our mood, because the sun is within us.

Come rain or come shine, all forms of weather should be admired and should not dictate our mood. Rain doesn’t ruin a

day; it is simply an all-natural confetti from the sky, that allows us to showcase our umbrellas, fun rain boots and perhaps a bit of singing. Try to soak up all the beauty that comes with a variety of seasons (literally and figuratively).



A CLOSER LOOK

Testing for Personality

by SEAN RUHLAND

The term “personality type” is thrown around like an old dodgeball during a gym class where the teacher didn’t prepare anything, but when you slow down and actually look at what the personality test is and what it can tell you about yourself, you’ll be amazed.

The personality test, also known as the Myers-Briggs Indicator Test, was developed by Katharine Cook Briggs in the early 1900s. After meeting her future son-in-law and noticing the differences in how he acted versus how others in his family acted, Briggs created the typology of 4 categories of personality; meditative, spontaneous, executive, and social.

Briggs’ daughter, Isabel Briggs Myers, added to the theory despite having little training in psychology. The indicator was created during World War 2 in order for women to know which war jobs would be the most effective for them. The Myers-Briggs Type Indicator was published in 1944 and quickly became known under its abbreviation, MBTI.

There are 16 personality types, and while referring to them you’ll often hear people throw around certain letters. There are 4 spectrums and each side of the spectrum is a different part of your personality. There’s introversion to extroversion, feeling to thinking, perceiving to judging, and intuition to sensing. From these four spectrums, you can find your personality type, such as INFJ or ESTP. Note that intuition is abbreviated as N so as not to confuse it with introversion.

Figuring out your personality test isn’t easy, but a reliable source for personality tests is www.16personalities.com, where you can take the test for free and read all about the research, what the letters mean in more thorough detail and read about your personality type and how it interacts with the world, the personality types it’s most compatible with, and more.

Here is a list of each personality type, along with someone in history with the personality type to help you understand how each type is different from the next. Note how only one letter is different, but each person has wildly different traits compared one to the next.

INTJ: Arnold Schwarzenegger

INTP: Bill Gates

ENTJ: Gordon Ramsay



ENTP: Tom Hanks

INFJ: Morgan Freeman

INFP: William Shakespeare

ENFJ: Barack Obama

ENFP: Robin Williams

ISTJ: George Washington

ISFJ: Beyoncé

ESTJ: Frank Sinatra

ESFJ: Steve Harvey

ISTP: Tom Cruise

ISFP: Michael Jackson

ESTP: Eddie Murphy

ESFP: Adele

Knowing your personality type can help you feel more in tune with yourself and can help you to understand your strengths, weaknesses, work ethic, little joys and the little things you do that you didn’t realise others do too. Keep in mind that your personality type is not the be all and end all and should not be your only consideration when choosing where you work, who you spend time with, or who you date. At the end of the day, it’s just another way humans have found to classify themselves.

POLITICA NON GRATA

The Popularity in Populism

by MONIQUE VIGNEAULT



Last Sunday, April 23, France held the 2017 federal election, with inconclusive results. The election failed to elect a majority government, and a runoff election is scheduled to take place on May 7. The odds are between 39-year-old, Social liberalist, Emmanuel Macron and Front National leader, 49-year-old, Marine Le Pen.

Like several other international elections, this one has had populist and radical undertones. Needless to say the most obvious example of this trend was the U.S election last November, with the election of widely criticised demagogue, Donald J. Trump.

In Germany, another notable populist candidate has surfaced, coined as the 'Female Hitler', leader of the AfD (Alternative for Germany) party, Frauke Petry. I covered the unconventional election in Germany in a previous article, 'DEMAGOGUES: A LOVE AFFAIR'.

The French election is taking a new spin on populism, however, as both candidates in the running are radical populists on different ends of the spectrum. Macron is a hard leftist, whereas by contrast, Le Pen is right-wing; a nepotistic product of her father's founding of her party. Macron has acquired the backing of incumbent president François Hollande, 'What's at stake is our idea of France,' he urged in an address. Yet, it should be said

that Hollande is a Socialist, representing the (PS) Socialist Party in France during his term as president.

Macron's views very much mirror his own.

While Le Pen is still more democratic than her father, Jean-Marie, is a protectionist French Nationalist and while she has advocated for unconventional positions that support abortion and same-sex couples, she still stands behind her party's doctrine. She's tried to sugar-coat the hardened and calloused image of the Front National, even going as far as expelling her own father from the party for misconduct, but is covering up the reality of her party really any better than, say, Donald J. Trump's habitual lies?

Also similar to Trump, wonder-boy Emmanuel Macron's background is in finance. Macron has a Master's degree in Public Affairs, then went into investment banking at the firm,

Rothschild & Cie Banque. Donald Trump built an empire on real-estate and banking—even though he went bankrupt a few times in the process. It's clear that a financial background appeals to voters. Can France really suffer the blow of the election? Since the crash of 2008,

France has suffered a steady decline in GDP in relation to its rapidly populating country of

64 Million. With Macron in the front seat, the value of the Euro is thought to surge to a nine-year high, climbing a 2% percent to the USD. From an economic standpoint, Macron has high prospects.

It's clear that globally, there's tension surrounding nationalism, as scattered radical views take control of nations internationally. France's populism is just another movement that was catalysed by the growing fear of rampant terrorism. In fact, just days before of the election,

France suffered a terror attack. This is not the first terror attack to hit Europe in recent months, as this one followed the attack on Parliament in Britain. Like Germany, France is adopting a strong following in protectionism and euroscepticism.

Regardless of your political views, I think it is an agreeable position that the extreme, almost impulsive swinging of the ideological pendulum in nations worldwide is unhealthy. I'm not telling you something you don't already know. Plastered on television screens and newspaper headlines are warnings of the current state of global politics; warning for a World War III. This time last year claims like these would be passed off as sheer gossip ffolly. But in today's reality, the only folly would be to aggressively chant 'La Marseillaise' and ignore the warnings before it's too late.

DEAR ABE

by ALEXIS HILL

Dear Abe,

It has currently hit me, how single I am. This has ensued as a spiral of self-pity, existentialism and loneliness. What is a good place for a date? And how do I get one? Help. Sincerely,
Very Single

Dear Single,

There is a lot of pressure in high school to go on dates and explore the world of drama, gossip, and excitement that can come with dating. Nevertheless, there is nothing wrong with being single, in fact, you should remain single until you are really ready not to be single. Lots of people are single for lots of different reasons. A relationship is a big commitment, something into which you have to invest your time. Therefore, make sure you are lined up to date for the right reasons. Maybe you feel the need for a companion, or you are just feeling all the squishy butterfly feelings. Your reasons should DEFINITELY NOT be that you are feeling peer pressured or insufficient because you are not currently dating. You should go out with someone because you genuinely want to, not for the cute Instagram pictures. Keep in mind that dating involves more than one person, going into it with only yourself in mind could really hurt your partner.

What is a good place for a date you ask? That really depends on who you are, what you like, and if you know your partner already.

Time for a hypothetical situation: You are going out with Jesse. Jesse and yourself have spoken approximately four times and



you honestly couldn't tell me about Jesse's interests for the life of you. I would suggest you go somewhere where you can talk and get to know each other. The goal is to decide if you are actually interested in pursuing this person before you are two months in and find out that Jesse hates your dog. Try a café, and then go roller skating; something interactive that fills the awkward silences but also leaves room to talk.

Hypothetical situation number two: You are going out with Jordan whom you've known since junior high. You get the worst nose bleed of your life, and Jordan happens to save your favourite hoodie from the cascades of blood that are currently staining your forearms and chin. Jordan hands you another box of kleenex, your eyes meet, you notice the cute swoopy hair thing and almost vomit butterflies. The two of you are clearly already pretty comfortable around each other. I mean, you were just covered in a waterfall of mucous blood. You could go to a movie (yes I know, cliché and boring, but you are already thoroughly acquainted so now is the time to

see if you are comfortable in each other's presence.) If you can get past the awkward hand holding attempt on the theater seat arm rest then you guys will probably do okay.

Dates can be expensive. Movies and cafés can be pricey. Hence, Adventure dates. Go exploring to find an excellent climbing tree; climb it. If you're into photography go to a park and take picture of each other or the view or a cool leaf. Go hiking if you're outdoorsy. Maybe write a song using mad libs, bonus if either of you can sing or play an instrument. Simply find out if you interact comfortably. Keep in mind, it will be awkward, but it should be an awkward that you can have some fun with.

Finally, to go on a date you need another person who also wants to partake in the dating escapades. Ergo, find a person. On your quest, remember to embrace platonic relationships as well as potential romantic ones. Don't let your search for a datemate screen out potential friends. As we saw with Jordan, friends can become something more if you have a timely nosebleed. Disclaimer: the majority of the romantic partners you will have in your life won't work out, so don't put too much pressure on yourself or your relationship.

Finding a person can be tough. However, you will stumble onto someone eventually. When you do find that person, remember: always get consent, be safe, respect each other, all that fun stuff.

Good luck,
Abe

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Political Promises

by CHRIS PRATT



A disturbing trend has begun to have an increased presence in modern politics. Outrageous promises made by various politicians looking to secure nothing more than their seat in parliament and an alarming number of candidates treating the political parties as fluid as water, crossing the floor so often we can sometimes lose track, are just some of the examples.

It makes you pause for a second to wonder who exactly has the power here. With little or no active responsibility or accountability to voters after being elected, MPs and MLAs can follow any agenda they like, even if it goes against what they promised their constituents at election time.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and his Liberal party managed to make an incredible 223 official promises to the Canadian electoral population during their run for government. According to a political online tracking website, TrudeauMeter, the Liberals have, so far, broken 30 of these promises, with 88 not even in progress yet.

Trudeau repeatedly gave his word that he would make "make every vote count" if he came to power. Instead, what happened was that the Prime Minister basically invalidated every vote his Liberals received by backing down on their promise of electoral reform, claiming there wasn't enough evidence to suggest Canadians truly wanted it.

In addition, some MLAs, as well as MPs, seem to decide halfway through their term in elected office that their personal political beliefs have changed. The most recent in a surprisingly long list, was Calgary MLA Sandra Jansen, who went from being Conservative to NDP overnight, with no prior consultation taking place once so ever with her constituents.

Some of the Presidential Promises made

south of the border, were just doomed for failure from the start. No country, in its right mind, is ever going to agree to pay for a wall along its border.

A few of the President's promises have already been tested. His position on killing Obamacare backed up pretty quickly. According to Trump, "Nobody knew healthcare could be this complicated."

But, the cold hard truth in all of this, is that politicians, at least in the present western political climate, seem to believe there is no weight in a promise made during election time. As long as it's something that swings the voters, any political party is going to 'promise' they'll do it. Effectively, Political Promises carry no true intent.

However, is this even democratic? Democracy was made solely for the purpose of giving power to the people, the electing public. How can voters have power if they

don't actually know what a candidate's policies will become once they find office? The simple answer is that they don't.

Voters, in today's society, have absolutely no idea what a candidate who they vote for will choose to do. That candidate may choose to cross the floor halfway through their term. Voters who voted in an NDP member may all of a sudden find themselves being represented by a Conservative or Liberal, with a whole new agenda they didn't approve. Additionally, promises that a candidate makes in order to get elected may go out the door once in office.

Political promises have got to stop. Once a candidate has secured office, they must be able to be held accountable for their campaign promises. Elected representatives aren't elected, after all, to promote their personal beliefs, they're elected to accurately represent a population that voted them in.



Another Strike and We're Out

by RILEY MARTENS

For Hollywood exciting times are ahead. Movies about everything, something and nothing. Star Trek. Star Wars. DC. Marvel. More extended universes than you can wrap your head around. The god forsaken monster in the closet that is the next 3 Transformers sequels. Several animated Disney features and live action features of past animated features. Finally, the occasional action movie starring the Rock. Television too, 18 seasons of Walking Dead, Game of Thrones, South Park, Saturday Night Live and American Horror Story. All the good stuff everyone flock to for entertainment and relief from the dreariness of life. That's viewing it like a glass half empty kind of way. However all of this could potentially be at stake for delays and shortened seasons if the Writers Guild of America (WGA) is not able to negotiate a new contract with the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers (AMPTP).

These two groups represent two of the four main pillars of the entertainment industry. The WGA is a union for the majority of screenwriters in America, both for television and cinema. The AMPTP is made up of the producers and studio executives from the largest movie studios in America, including Sony Pictures, Warner Bros, and Dis-

ney. This would be the sixth writers strike in Hollywood history. Negotiations resumed between the two groups on Monday, April 24th. If the AMPTP and WGA do not reach an agreement, all registered screenwriters are expected to cease working and go on strike on May 2nd. The contract will expire on May 1st, after it was negotiated during the 2007-08 Writers Strike. IF the strike does happen it will have a larger impact on television than movies because scripts for episodes are created during the season and off, while movie scripts are stockpiled and only need the occasional rewriting.

The potential strike personifies the inside out dishwasher that is the industry's business model. The WGA is trying to improve wages and health care plan for its members. Contrary to what one would think, interest in television and movies hasn't been waning, but increasing over the years. Streaming services like Hulu, Netflix, and Amazon play a large part in this. The problem with low wages lies in the payment system for screenwriters. The rise of binge worthy series like House of Cards, Stranger Things, Flight of the Concorde and Orphan Black, that tend to have fewer episodes and be more dramatic in nature, are a cause of this. Writers are paid on a per episode basis,

which means less moola for less content. In addition, they also make less money when the reruns are few and far between on these streaming services. The plan for writers is in trouble after being scheduled to have yearly deficits, until broke in 2020. The WGA is hoping to change the payment system to adapt the new shorter seasons and less reruns, while trying to improve the medical plan.

If a strike does occur, it could last from anywhere of two weeks to twenty two weeks. The ramifications would be less than subpar. Scripted tv shows' seasons could be shortened, while reality television would be extended. That would mean less of the Flash, and more Keeping up with the Kardashians. Streaming services would have to delay quality content. Some movies would either have to halt production or rush it, resulting in a lesser quality or longer wait time. Ever wonder why the second Transformers was the way it was? It tried to finish filming with an incomplete screenplay due to the 2007-08 Strike. None of these things seem appealing to viewers or studios alike. Remember time is money, and even though Hollywood is an entertainment juggernaut; society still needs to feed its artists. A boat cannot continue without boat builders.



PLAYLIST

by ADITYA KHATU & JORDAN BUNKE

1. Travis Scott - Swang (Remix) ft. Rae Sremmurd
2. MadeInTYO - Skateboard P
3. Frank Ocean - Biking
4. Luis Fonsi & Daddy Yankee - Despacito (Remix) ft. Justin Bieber
5. Khalid - Location
6. Drake - Gyalchester
7. Meek Mill - Froze ft. Nicki Minaj & Lil Uzi Vert
8. French Montana - Unforgettable ft. Swae Lee
9. Lana Del Rey - Lust For Life ft. The Weeknd
10. Kanye West - Lost In The World
11. Wizkid - Come Closer ft. Drake

Standing Up For Science

by ADITYA KHATU

Every year, Earth Day is celebrated around the world and is also used to raise awareness about environmental concern. This year, it was slightly different due to President Trump's election in 2016. During his campaign, he claimed that climate change is a hoax to make the United States less competitive in industrial production. Most paid little attention to his claim as it seemed unlikely at the time that he would follow up on his ideas. It came as a shock to many that he was elected and it surprised even more that he was committed to disregarding global warming. Trump instead, showed his approval for the Keystone XL, choosing to ignore the environmental concerns. Under the Trump administration, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has also been forced to withhold their scientific research. In response to this, scientists organized a "March for Science" to help raise awareness of the dangers of ignoring science to pursue ideological beliefs. This march occurred in 600 cities across the world and was headlined by Bill Nye, Mona Hanna-Attisha, Lydia Villa-Komaroff, among other prominent scientists. Policymaking in America has been conducted without scientific evidence for a great deal of time and it seems that global warming is

where scientists will finally draw the line. This movement began on Reddit, where it began with 200 members and quickly amassed 300 000 members in less than a week. While climate change was the main topic for the protest, there were also other concerns which stemmed from a larger issue.

Fear of science has grown in the last decade, which has led to conclusions being made without any research. It's because of this, that several movements such as Anti-Vaxxers and Flat-Earthers have begun to gain traction. For many members of these movements, science is seen as the enemy as it is viewed as being deceiving. The fact that these movements are transitioning to mainstream beliefs is really a frightening thought. In previous years, Earth Day never really achieved anything but some promotions from large corporations. It's exciting to see that people are finally taking the chance to really make a difference. The only way to fix ignorance is to make education less intimidating, which can only happen with more awareness. This march is a clear indication that leaders in science are taking the opportunity to address the mainstream audience. Things really do need to get bad for people to step in to make a change.



Crossword

by JORDAN BUNKE



Across:

1. Pomposity, whether oratory or written
6. Local business Tomato _____
9. _____ Meridian Time, London time
11. Perennial herb native to the Mediterranean
12. A lack of feeling
13. "Gangsta's Paradise" artist
17. No, it isn't pronounced "synonym"
19. _____'s number, $(1 + (1/n))^n$ as n approaches infinity.
20. A genius in a particular artistic medium, often film
21. PLAYERUNKNOWN'S _____
22. _____ean gemetry, named after the Greek mathematician _____
23. Alan _____, computer science and AI theory pioneer

Down:

1. A small lie
2. A well-_____ed suit
3. Mysterious
4. One of the largest groups of First Nations in North America
5. A cooling device or a supporter
7. Outfitter with a location at Market Mall and Chinook, among others
8. The Queen of _____ visited the court of King Solomon
10. _____destruction
14. A rowing device
15. Medicinal cream
16. Gianni _____
18. One who travels and does not live in a fixed location indefinitely



HOROSCOPES

by TWINKLEGAZE ASTROPANTS



Aries (March 21 - April 19)



You'll realize that rain isn't water. Then what is it, you insolent sweenhund? You think. Well get this, rain is falling water. I know right? Revolutionizes physics and particle wave duality. Oh shut up about science already! You tell me. Well then, you'll soon get struck by an almighty toilet vacuum! Because you're full of crap and suck! Was that too much?

Taurus (April 20 - May 20)



You'll decide to break your friend out of jail with a really fast car, because remember it's all about family. You'll have the diesel to break the wall, to be the sound and the fury. You'll be fast! You'll be furious! You'll have fate! I'm a gonna beat you like cherokee drum! You say...

Gemini (May 21 - June 20)



After dying your armpit hair purple to support your local rugby club, you'll realize you need to beat the other team's mascot. So after waiting months of using hair growth supplements, you've produced two fine supple waterfalls of hair cascading from both pits. It holds the power of Thor!

Cancer (June 21 - July 22)



After winning the local columbian fooseball championship, you'll realize that life is more than winning a game of fooseball at the local columbian cultural club against some guys that look more argentinian. Life can even include joining a demo crew to destroy your treasure, your childhood treehouse. Don't confine yourself to a wooden box.

Leo (July 23 - August 22)



After setting free all the roasted chickens from their containers on Walmart shelves, chickens have rights too, you'll realize your a bit short on PEETA bread. You'll have to fight for some. . You'll have to fight all of them. May the odds ever be in your favor!

Virgo (August 23 - Sept 22)



After scouring through a junkyard for scrap metal looking to build yourself a pet goat, frankenstein style, you'll decide this life isn't for you. You'll want to pursue your passion as karaoke superstar. You'll be big in Japan! You might just have to scrap those ideas and build frankenbovine instead.

Libra (Sept 23 - Oct 22)



After stealing every snap bracelet ever, you realize how many friendships you've destroyed because of your actions. So many friends lost and memories corrupted because of you alone. Old friends not remembering who each other are! This happened because you took all the friendship bracelets in a senior home. They'll never know it remember. Oh snap!

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)



After shoving your face into a drainage pipe to see if it's still there, you'll remember the Benjamin Franklin quote: a penny saved is a penny earned. You'll ask yourself if dropping it in the drain counts? Are you penny wise? OOOOOOOHHHM-MMEERRRRRRGGGGOO-OUUUUUUGGGGHHH! CLOWN!

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)



After eating your adopted indian grandmother's curry, you'll learn why picture frames are rectangle and not square. People don't have square heads! Duh! After feeling confident you solved a great mystery. I'm just wondering what was in the curry.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)



After shoving an onion into your router, you're finally able to access the deep web. You'll be scrolling through mounds of data, proving conspiracy theories left and left, because the right don't exist. You realize the secret to life. There's a giant obese cat, eating knowledge, while flatulating out cat videos, and dank memes. This almighty deity of cyberspace in fact can have a cheezburger. It's a meme machine. Skeptics tell me if humanity isn't already enslaved by cats?

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18)



After reading this you'll realize why I decided to not do the last horoscope. I've written too many, I'm out of creativity. I'm announcing my retirement as of now. Nevermind the last horoscope, this is the last horoscope ever. Good bye dear readers.

Pisces (Feb 19 - March 20)



Jk, Rofl, lol. Trollololol. Ha. You got worried there for a moment.

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