

Editor's Note

It is with moderate regret and mild sadness that I share with you some potentially upsetting news. Due to your sub-par participation in our pizza sales, *The Flipside* will no longer be published every week. Instead, we will be printing new editions on a bimonthly basis.

We hope it brings you some comfort to know that our decision is all about the Benjamins and not due to lack of interest or material to satirize.

This new publishing schedule begins after spring break and will continue until President Palin bans free speech all together in 2012.

Thank you for your understanding and support,

The Flipside Team

McDonald's Introduces Tacos To Menu... Oh Wait, I Think This Is A Chipotle



One Third of Deerfield Basketball Team Announce Retirement After Long, Lucrative Career



Northern Iowa Celebrates Win, Gains Knowledge of Team's Existence



Republicans Call Health Care Bill's Font "Unconstitutional"

By George Minkowski

When Obama's historic health care reform bill (HR 3590) was signed into law on Tuesday, Republican leaders cried louder than ever to block the bill. Twelve state attorney generals, all of whom are Republican, have already filed suits to block the health care bill

on the grounds that its font is "unconstitutional and un-American." These efforts are seen by many as a desperate, last-ditch attempt to kill the bill and have it go back to committee where the margins and font of the bill can be tweaked to please the GOP.

The last time a piece of legislation was called "unconstitutional" based on aesthetics was in 1940 when Senator Joseph McCarthy (R-WI) accused the Democrats for being communists for using red ink on their edits of the Second Revenue Act of 1940 bill. Later, McCarthy retracted his accusation for being, "totally paranoid." However current GOP leaders are standing firm-

ly by their claim.

HR 3590 was typed in the font Courier New with standard 1.5" margins. The claim that the bill is unconstitutional stems from that idea that all pieces of legislation are unconstitutional unless they look like the Constitution. That said, the Republicans



want the bill to be in *Blackletter ITG* but would settle for *Vladimir Script*. They hope that the Supreme Court will deem the law unconstitutional thus restarting the process to health care reform.

Representative Randy Neugebauer (R-TX) who is widely known for great decisions like shouting "baby killer" is one of the key Republicans who thought up another problem with the bill after it was signed into law. "If you rearrange the letters in 'Courier New' and spell it horribly wrong, you get 'baby killer.' That's what I was trying to say," Rep. Neugebauer said yesterday in a formal "apology." "I really meant no offense. I just couldn't wait my turn."

But still, many Republicans refuse to be as polite as the man who shouted "baby killer" during a session of Congress. Some of these men and women include most of the men and women. One of them, Representative Mark Kirk (R-IL). "I disagree with virtually everything in the bill," Rep. Kirk said in a recent interview on Fox News. "The font, the margins, the affordable health care—it's simply un-American."

It's still too soon to tell if the evil, radical, left-wing, Grandma-killing, polar bear loving, socialist elitists in charge of the country will allow the horribly bland bill to be taken back to committee for a little, "spicing up." However, NRA members around the nation are gaining support for the cause. (Semi-automatic assault rifles can be pretty persuasive.)

Also persuasive, health care—"but not like this," say Republicans. Minority leader Representative John Boehner (R-OH) Twittered this to his 30+ followers. "The goal is health care [wink, wink], but we need a bill with a font that doesn't say, 'Hey, Russia! Come occupy us!' Let's give it another shot..."

Opinion: Thanks For Running Over My Cousin

By Sarcastic Squirrel



Bernice the Squirrel

Excuse me, sir. I totally get how busy you are, with your appointments and meetings and all that fun stuff. I know I'm pretty low on the food chain compared to you, so thanks a million for setting aside some of your valuable time to listen to me. I'll just be a minute.

I just wanted to formally thank you for running over my cousin Bernice. You're a real sweetheart.

I mean, it's not like Bernice was really that important to his family and friends or anything. He was a really nice guy, and he had one of the bushiest tails around, but it's really not that big of a deal. His newborn squirrel babies and his loving squirrel wife are probably going to be just fine. I mean, at first his mom did seem pretty upset, but hey, she's always been known

to be a little overdramatic. You know how squirrels can be.

And don't even worry about it. We all understand. You were driving through your subdivision, fussing with the GPS so it gave directions with a sexy English accent. Nice. Anyway, while your eyes were averted for that very important task, do you remember anything out of the ordinary? A little bump, maybe? Know what that was? That was Bernice.

But don't sweat it. I'm sure he'll understand why you were in such a hurry. I've been made aware that you had a burning desire to rent "You, Me And Dupree", and you just had to drive to Blockbuster to make sure they still had a copy for you to rent.

At least Bernice's life was sacrificed for a piece of filmmaking genius, as opposed to some critically panned Owen Wilson flick. I mean, personally, I thought it was a bad movie, but my tiny squirrel brain might not have been able to comprehend all that complex humor. So who knows, right?

Well, Bernice was my favorite

cousin, and it's kind of hard to look at baby pictures of him now that he's a smear on the side of the road. That stuff makes me squeamish, even. We squirrels don't consider ourselves to be violent creatures. All we really do is collect nuts, scamper from branch to branch, and occasionally star in Ice Age movies. We're really just here to entertain you.

So, maybe once in a while, you could stop texting in your car just long enough to avoid squashing my close relatives. I know, I know, Danielle said this and John's dating that girl. Good stuff.

If you could keep your eyes on the road just long enough to not kill us, that would be great. I know it's a lot to ask for. And if you're feeling extra-merciful, try giving that brake pedal a few pumps and spare us a few seconds so that we can avoid becoming bloody pancakes

Peace out, man. Keep doing good work. You're the best ever. And oh yeah... does this taste like rabies to you?

Change of plans: The *Flipside* meeting after school has been canceled due to totally legitimate reasons. Instead, it will be held the Thursday after break.

THE FLIPSIDE CRYPTOGRAM CHALLENGE: solve the Cryptogram, write down your name, and put your copy of *The Flipside* in locker I192. There will be a drawing to see who win a sweet *Flipside* t-shirt!!

QUOTE "I had that on one of my brackets."

-One of many students who think they are the only ones to pick a March Madness upset

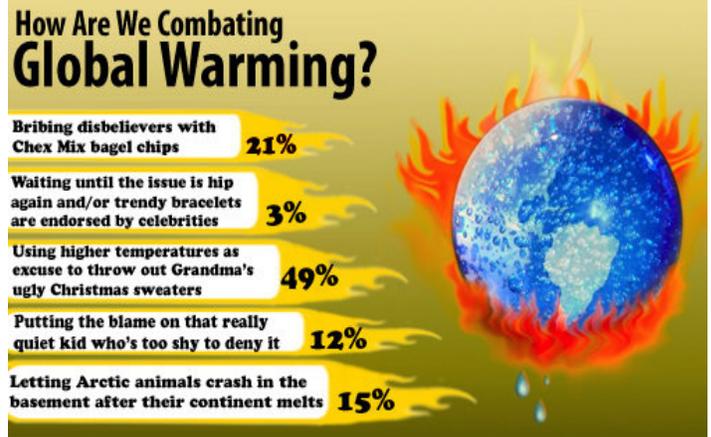
REBUS PUZZLES

Can you guess the common word or phrase portrayed below?

	Schubert's <i>SYMPHON</i>
Travel CCCCCCCC	ACT CHAR ER

Last issue's answers: PARAPHERNALIA, A LOT OF FISH IN THE SEA, MATINEE, WHAT GOES UP MUST GO DOWN

INFOGRAPHIC



CRYPTOGRAM CHALLENGE

This is a simple substitution code. Each letter is replaced by a different letter. Try to decode the message or quote below.

Congratulations to last week's winner: Andrew Kaplan HINT: S = G

"ZY ZITHZAKLKSUNQ UN QHA FANQ HWNFZYB Z JKRZY TZY HZXA. QHA KLBAI NHA SAQN QHA RKIA UYQAIANQAB HA UN UY HAI."

-- ZSZQHZ THIUNQUA

Last issue's answer: "HISTORICALLY, THE MOST TERRIBLE THINGS – WAR, GENOCIDE, AND SLAVERY, HAVE RESULTED NOT FROM DISOBEDIENCE, BUT FROM OBEDIENCE." — HOWARD ZINN

SUDOKU

Level: Easy. Honestly, it's easy. Please don't complain about the difficulty.

Fill in the grid so each column, row, and 3x3 box has the numbers 1 through 9.

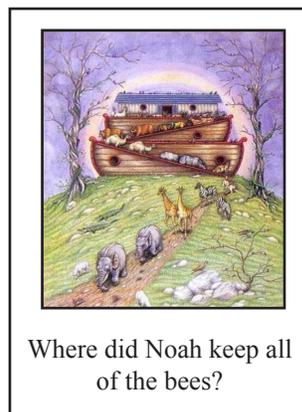
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Note: All names and stories are fictional, unless public figures are being satirized. Remember, these are all jokes.

The *Flipside* is always looking for new writers, puzzle makers, and distributors. E-mail us if you're interested.

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four ordinary jumbles, and use the letters in circles to answer the final question.



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ARCCEKL

SEPEDIT

OHLAOP

In the

Last issue's answers: APPEAL, HYBRID, STRETCH, MNEMONIC. How the crazy person got though the forest: He took the PSYCHO PATH

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