

## Two Horses Drown In Tragic Water Polo Incident



Nobody Realizes That Pro Hockey is Being Played, Strike is Over, or That There Was a Strike



## Students Develop Fear of Bubbles in Wake of Standardized Testing

A disturbing trend has surfaced in Deerfield High School following recently administered standardized tests; multiple students have reported to their counselors that they have developed an irrational fear of bubbles. Local experts have dubbed this fast-growing fear “bubbliphobia.”

Sophomore Carly Beckett is one of many that have been afflicted with this disorder. She describes her horror of the spherical geometric figures as developing after being handed the answer sheet to her test.

“They handed me a piece of paper with hundreds of small circles printed on it, and I got goose bumps. Soon afterwards my vision started to blur.”

Beckett began to shake uncontrollably as she started the math portion of her test. The fear overtook her and she could no longer fill in the circles. “The sight of all of those bubbles overwhelmed my senses... I could smell them, feel them... It

was just awful. I lost control.”

Beckett then fled the scene and ran wildly down Waukegan Road. On-goers reported hearing screams about “multiple choice” and “#2 pencils.”

Theresa Werlington, mother of junior Chase Werlington, says that in addition to the small circles found on Scan-Trons, her son has also become afraid of all manifestations of bubbles.

“Chase has stopped using shampoo and soap because he is afraid of the bubbles, and I haven’t gotten him to shower in several weeks. He also refuses to drink any sodas because the carbonation makes his skin crawl. And yesterday my Tae Bo video tape came in the mail, but Chase lit it on fire because it was shipped with bubble wrap.”

Bubbliphobia is now the second most common irrational fear in the student demographic, with the first being the devastating freeresponsiphobia, for which medical experts have still not found a solution.

## I Love My New Job in Iraq

By: Anita Help

Hello! I am just so happy now. Ecstatic! Over in Iraq, I simply Love everything about my life. Please, can I stay here forever?

My boss is just the best person Ever. Never met anybody nicer.

People just don't know how to Look for hidden messages these Enjoyable, fun-filled Iraqi days. Anybody can clearly see how Sweet my new job is. I am sure Everybody at home is envious.

I like the office most of all.

Won't you come and visit? Interesting. That is the word Likely to come to mind when Looking around my sweet office.

Perhaps you will look at the big, All-encompassing picture? You'll be rewarded, if you visit.

You will be rewarded with the Odds and Ends of Iraq, let me Underline and clarify.

I just can't say enough about Iraq

Are you interested in coming? Me? I love being in a hot zone!!

The best part is probably the Real freedom the army has Assigned me through my Plethora of job opportunities. People trying to kill me never Erase the big smile I carry every Day over here in sunny Iraq.

Lately, things are starting to Evolve into choices. Choices That my boss must approve of.

Moreover, all government Endeavors are foolproof.

Good. Now everything is Obviously clear. I must go work!

## Doc Can't Control Urge to Tell Patient He's Taking Placebo

LOS ANGELES, CA— Foreign accent syndrome is a rare medical condition that usually occurs as a rare side effect of a severe brain injury, such as a stroke or a head injury. Between 1941 and 2006, there have been fifty recorded cases. John Kessler is one of these cases.

Kessler spoke with a distinctive and offensive British accent. Seeking relief, he got a consultation with Dr. Samuel Fischer. F.A.S. has no known cure so Dr. Fischer had no other options than to put John on a placebo.

“It was a one and a million shot,” Dr. Fischer tells Flipside reporters. “But it was our only shot.”

2 weeks later John told his

doctor at a check-up that his symptoms have almost virtually disappeared.

“Oh really?” asked Dr. Fischer holding back giggles. “That’s really a miracle. Good thing that medication was there, right?”

That placebo really was a



miracle for John. His illness caused him to lose his job and wife, but after his miraculous recovery, he was determined to get them both back.

“I’m really happy for you,” said the doctor, now turning red

in the face. “It just goes to show that with a little fai— I can’t do this! Guess what?! You were on a placebo the entire time! Haha! OMG this is so funny.”

John didn’t see the humor in the situation. He just called Dr. Fischer a ‘daft wanker’ and stormed out leaving his chance for a normal life behind.

“I had to tell him,” says Dr. Fischer. “The joke played out for long enough. It was time for him to go back to being an outsider who couldn’t hold on to relationships with other people.”

Kessler is now suing Dr. Fischer for malpractice. The case doesn’t look good for Kessler because the California Medical Review Board also things the situation is hilarious.

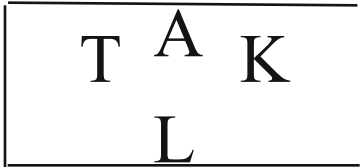
The Placebo article was written by George Minkowski and the Testing article by J. Hoodaman

"What colleges did you apply to?" The question asked by every person every Senior has ever met.

## PICTURE THIS

HOMEMADE REBUS PUZZLE:

Can you guess the common word or phrase portrayed below?



Last week's answers: Mixed Bag, Touchdown, Understand, Tri-fecta

## NUMBERS: 52

There are now as many Flipsides as weeks in a year. It can be said the Flipside is turning one. It is time to grow out of diapers and start maturing. We will try to cover more serious issues and get the facts straight in our second year. Just kidding. We are never going to grow up. Poopy.

### FACT:

Holy sharks, there is a full week of school! That's right. It is the fourth day of school this week, but it is only Thursday. Life just is not fair. Why can't there be a fine arts assembly every day? Or late starts.

### LIE:

What doesn't kill you makes you stronger. Consider fast food. Fact: what doesn't kill you makes you stranger.

## CRYPTOGRAM CHALLENGE

DIRECTIONS: This is a simple substitution code, each letter is replaced by a different letter. The first person to solve the cryptogram correctly will win a Flipside t-shirt! (first means first to see Sam Block to redeem shirt)

HINT: F = O

LAST WEEK'S WINNER: **Janani Raman** that means, that if there is any of the first letter, replace it with the second letter

"GH'MH ABSSBZP KMHM, EZL B'C ANYYFAHL SF VH SKH IMEQSBQH

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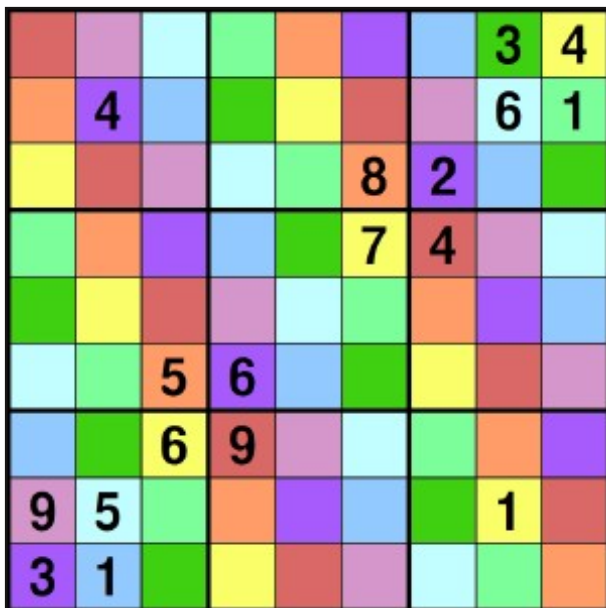
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PECH, VNS GH'MH SETDBZP EVFNS YMEQSBQH." ETTHZ BWHMAFZ

Last week's answer: "If he had given any utterance to his, and they wre prophetic, they would have been this: It is a far, far better thing that I do than I have ver done; it is a far, far better rest that I go to than I have ever known" Charles Dickens

## SUDOKU

Level: Blur challenge (If this appears blurry to you, go to the eye doctor)



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



What the disgruntled customer told the Footlocker employee

You have



## JUMBLE



last week: KNOWN SANDY VIRTUE BANKED How the star felt after she was neglected and attacked by a mean black whole I feel NOVA-SAD

**Chipotle is coming to Deerfield! Look for it on the first day of school chest at lunch!!**