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## Finding a Great Dog

There comes a point in a journey where if you continue onward long enough without nourishment your body actually begins to consume itself. So was the predicament that Lewis and myself found ourselves one fine autumn day.

We had been journeying around the forest of Viewing Pines for many months when we ran out of food, being thus constrained from obtaining more. It was at this time that our constitutions failed and thoughts of cannibalism crept precociously into our minds.

But being firm of mind and body we dispelled all thoughts thus for as Meryweather Lewis and Cpt. William Clark Kent we are above such savage acts.

When an ugly Frenchman tried to oppose our goals he was thrust down to the hell from whence he sprang. When Spaniards stole our underwear, retribution was poured out swiftly upon their heads and upon the heads of their families from this day forth and forever. So cannibalism was not even the slightest temptation for such men of valor and honor.

Yet the pain of hunger does force one to take extreme measures. Our faithful guide Sacagawea told us that perhaps we should seek help of the natives. And so we did. Sacagawea led us to a distant Shaman by the name of Reedethenger who told us of the Dogfather, a living fountain of joy who happens to be a Shaman himself. Reedethenger showed Sacagawea the path



that we must take and so it was that we began a long hard road. We journeyed long on the road of Industry til we reached the home of depots for it was near there that the Dogfather took his abode. We called out and he called back in his hushed grating voice. He said to us:

"Why is it that you have come."  
"My companions are hungered and we know that you have the power to end their suffering," replied Sacagawea.  
"Then they must first offer up of themselves to partake of that which I offer."

So we gave him our hard work and were given in turn the Hitman. The spiciest and best all beef hotdog you've ever had.

You too can visit the Dogfather and experience the joy of all-beef franks. Just go to Home Depot and you can easily see his booth outside.

All characters in this story, although based on real people and real situations, have names that are not really theirs, except for the Dogfather.

## Intellectually Challenged Criminals

BY TANYA WILSON

With movies and TV depicting villains surrounded by jewels, fine wine, and pretty women, crime seems to be quite the lucrative occupation. Not really. Every police station has their share of 'dumb criminal' stories, and with bozos like these, it's a surprise that the words 'criminal' and 'mastermind' ever got put in the same sentence. What do we need Batman for?

- An unidentified male robs a gas station at gunpoint. While waiting for his money, he tells the clerk to include a nearby bottle of Scotch with his money. The clerk refuses, saying that he doesn't believe that the robber is old enough to drink. The robber protests, and as proof, pulls out his driver's license. "Oh, I suppose you are 21," the clerk says cheerfully, and includes the bottle of whiskey. The robber flees. The clerk calls the police, having memorized the name and address on the license.

- Wolfgang Ziegler, a peddler of hot chestnuts in Vienna, decides that business is moving too slow. He calls in a bomb threat to a nearby building, figuring that a crowd will gather in the cold and be tempted to buy his chestnuts. His plan works... until the call is traced to his cell.

- Los Angeles (come on, at least ONE weirdo has to come from California!), Tyrone Hardy decides to carjack a nice-looking minivan that has caught his attention. Unfortunately, there are two problems: 1) The minivan has passengers. 2) The passengers are all members of a judo club. Tyrone is a pretzel by the time the police arrive.

- From the Netherlands, an unidentified woman steals a pair of pants from a small clothing store, only to get home and find they are a few sizes too small. She calls the manager to see if she can arrange an exchange. The manager doesn't remember selling that particular pair of pants and checks his security tapes. Sure enough, there's the thief. He invites her to come on down, then calls the police.

## Cruisin' the Bahamas



**Corey  
Blake**

My sister Toby just got married, and she and her husband spent their honeymoon on a cruise in the Bahamas. Non-stop entertainment, swimming, a nice gym, ping pong, shuffle board, bingo, parties, dance clubs, belly flop contests, food,

and more food. You would think that this was extremely expensive. But, this incredible vacation cost less than two hundred dollars a person. They spent three days and three nights having the time of their lives for less than four hundred dollars. How? Well, surprisingly enough, you can find awesome cruises for a lot less than you might imagine. In fact, on EXPEDIA.com this week, you can find a four-day "Cruise Ecstasy" starting at \$179.00 on Carnival Cruise Lines. Now, you're probably wondering, "So where's the catch?" If you're not an alcohol drinker, there is no catch. All food is free (unlimited buffets, restaurants, and

even room service), all entertainment is free, and all drinks are free (except carbonated and alcoholic beverages). In fact, everything on the ship is free, and on the islands, it's easy to bargain with the people at the markets. So, if you're looking for a fun vacation, go on a cruise and you won't regret it!

## PANTHER PRESS STAFF BOX

### Seniors

Tavia "I'm Not Here" Bishop  
Darrin "Death in U of U" Fry  
Devin "I Hate Mowing" Hatch  
Angela "I Don't Want to be a Mortician" Hughes  
Kelsey "I'm Not Complaining" Kzmarzick  
Sara "I Don't Care" Moreno  
Dayna "I Don't Care Either" Pinkston  
Crystal "Great One" Robinson  
Lindsay "Granola Girl" Smith  
Cassie "I Do Care Less" Stoll  
Amdia "Vic's Really Cute" Stone

Daniel "Jen's a Hottie" Telford  
Tanya "I Only Like People When Em Embating" Wilson

### Juniors

Jon "Jacob Jingleheimer Schmidt" Hilton  
Bob "I Had a Good One" Shelline

### Sophomores

Corey "The Air Up There" Blake  
Madelyn "Here's a Note" Prestwich  
Ashley "I Don't Know" Ratliff

### Advisor

Mr. "Commander In Chief" Kretzler