



"I've determined I was just having hot flashes."

AL GORE
FORMER VICE PRESIDENT ON WHY HE NO LONGER BELIEVES IN GLOBAL WARMING

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CORRECTION

A recent story mistakenly identified Raul Castro as President of the Cubs. He's president of Cuba.

CARBOLIC SMOKE BALL HEADLINES

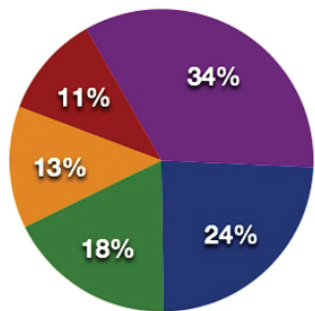
Catherine Baker Knoll to investigate Clinton rally snub when she returns from fact-finding mission to Mars

Revealed: Pope's historic synagogue visit occurred because he wandered into wrong building

Charity Walk to end disorientation marred by utter confusion

Local man perplexed: "Why does no one talk about Mesopotamia any more?"

HOW DO WE BEST REVITALIZE MARKET SQUARE?



- Hide it Under a Tarpaulin
- Turn it into a Giant Orange Julius Stand
- Get Better Dressed Winos
- Move it to Mellon Square
- Flood it, Pretend it's Venice

UPMC, GIANT EAGLE MERGE

The region's leading health-care provider and leading grocer announced they will merge effective May 1. The new entity, to be known as Giant-UPMC-Eagle, will offer 10 cents off a gallon of gas for every \$50 customers spend on bread, milk and organ transplants.

"While our customers wait in those long emergency room lines, they can now take advantage of weekly specials on non-perishable foods and elective surgeries," a company spokesman said.

Business analysts say the merger will allow the two companies to keep pace with Wal-Mart, which recently added in-store maternity wards and plans to open its own discount cemetery chain, "Sam's Graveyard."



Jimmy Stewart statue breaks man's wrist

The statue of screen legend Jimmy Stewart in Indiana, Pa., is in custody today after suddenly grabbing and breaking the wrist of attorney Bob Haas. Haas had just commented that Stewart was "miscast" in "The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance."



8-year-old loses trial on 'Take Your Child to Work Day'

Attorney Noah Swayne says a closing argument by his 8-year-old daughter is to blame for the loss of a multi-million-dollar product liability trial.

"She really stunk up the joint," Swayne said.

Next year on "Take Your Child to Work Day," Swayne said he'll let her try a death penalty case.



Hear da JUDGE

By the Hon. Rufus Peckham
Editor of Carbolic Smoke Ball

Dear Judge: The tree in my neighbor's yard is leaning severely, and I'm afraid it's about to fall on my house and crush it. What should I do?

— Sue in Shaler

Dear Sue: Your answer is in your name, stupid. "S-u-e" — the best three letters in the American alphabet. I'd gladly represent you, at just slightly greater cost than moving your house. In the meantime, take cover.

Dear Judge: One particular electronics retailer always asks for my zip code when I check out — why?

— Bob from Brentwood

Dear Bob: I know the store. They already know your zip code (in fact, they know *everything* about you) but they're testing you. One time, when I was in line, a guy in front of me lied about his zip code; they shot him on the spot.

To Chad in Pittsburgh: Hmm, use a brown marker to draw a line across the bills to make them think they were

Shuffleboard court found on deck of Noah's Ark

Scientific tests have concluded that an ancient seafaring vessel found on Turkey's Mt. Ararat is, in fact, Noah's Ark.

Archaeologists say the Ark's most surprising feature is a shuffleboard court on the main deck, laid out to the exact dimensions of modern, regulation-sized courts.

Artifacts found near the court suggest the Ark's occupants also practiced the time-worn art of reserving chairs next to the swimming pool by laying towels and paperback books on them.

