

"Well, for one thing, I was potty trained in the White House."

CAROLINE KENNEDY

EXPLAINING WHY SHE'S QUALIFIED TO TAKE OVER THE SENATE SEAT TO BE VACATED BY HILLARY CLINTON



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### COUNTDOWN

#### More first drafts of famous movie lines

10. "I love the smell of French Vanilla coffee in the morning." — "Apocalypse Now"
9. "All right, Mr. Demille. I'm ready for my colonoscopy." — "Sunset Boulevard"
8. "If you build it, you'll need a permit." — "Field of Dreams"
7. "Listen to them. Children of the night. Don't they have a curfew?" — "Dracula"
6. "Of all the gin joints in all the towns in all the world, mine is the one that loses its liquor license." — "Casablanca"
5. "Shane ... Shane ... You forgot your toothbrush!" — "Shane"
4. "Love means never having to find a date for Saturday night." — "Love Story"
3. "What we've got here is a lovely three-bedroom townhouse." — "Cool Hand Luke"
2. "You talkin' to me? Good, because I've been meaning to talk to you." — "Taxi Driver"
1. "Life is like a box of chocolates; you never know how many times it's been gift-ed." — "Forrest Gump"

# TV station blurs face, man can't unblur it

## HE'S MAD. AND HE'S SUING



Noah Swayne, 32, is suing WPXI-TV for blurring his face in a news story last week because, he claims, he cannot unblur it.

Swayne's face was blurred in a report dealing with alleged wrongdoing by his employer. "Now everyone I meet is squinting to see my face clearly," he said. "Shaving is impossible. And everyone accuses me of moving when they take my picture."

WPXI news director Bradley's Roadhouse said that the blurred look "is an improvement for Mr. Swayne." He noted that this was not the first time a person featured in a news report claimed he could not unblur his face. "It happened to a woman in Blawnox a couple of years ago, and, to my knowledge, she's still blurry," he chuckled.

Roadhouse hopes to hook up Swayne with the blurry-faced woman from Blawnox. "Who knows? Maybe they can get together and have a bunch of blurry-faced kids."

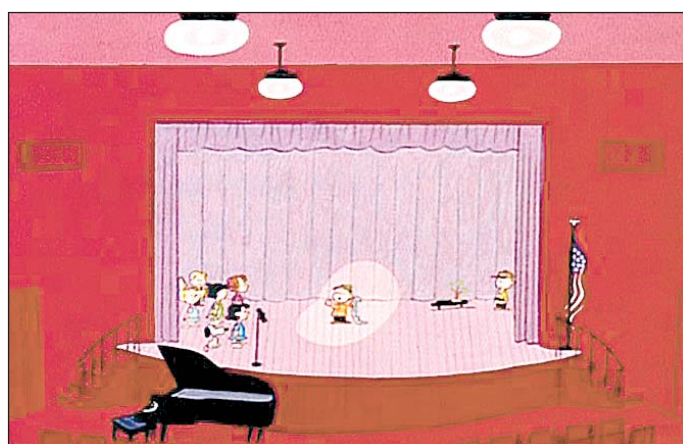
## Bucs' GM: 'Due to Economy, expect big drop in quality of team'

Pirates General Manager Neal Huntington delivered sobering news to Pirates fans.

"The fun times are over," he said. "Because of the economic downturn, we have no money to spend, so don't expect us to be anywhere

near as good as we've been the past several years."

Huntington admitted that the Pirates have not had a winning season since 1992, but cautioned: "Well, if you thought we were bad before, you ain't seen *nothing* yet, brother."



## BLOCKED HEAD

ACLU obtains injunction to stop Linus from reciting scripture in school auditorium.



## Hear da JUDGE

By the Hon. Rufus Peckham  
Editor of Carbolic Smoke Ball

Dear Judge: I wanted to share a tip with your readers. I can't afford expensive Christmas gifts, but I find that people appreciate homemade gifts even more.

— Bob, Bethel Park

Dear Bob: The people telling you that are lying. Nobody wants your stupid homemade gifts, Bob. You sound like a loser. People want HDTVs and iPhones. Can you make a plasma TV? What's the recipe for an iPhone, Bob? I'm embarrassed for you and feel sorry for the people receiving your cheap, tawdry gifts. P.S. I'll decide what should be passed on to my readers.

Dear Judge: I got a Christmas card from a female co-worker. We're not especially close, but there was a \$100 bill in the envelope. How should I take it?

— Timmy, Pleasant Hills

Dear Timmy: Right to the bank, you nitwit. If she expects anything in return for her money, you must give it to her — in the spirit of the season, of course.

## Ravenstahl seeks funds for 'bullet incline'

Mayor Luke Ravenstahl is asking Congress to fund his proposed "Bullet Incline" that would connect Mt. Washington and Downtown and reach speeds of 200 mph for the .02 second ride up and down.

The proposed incline would include WiFi, coffee, drink service and a three-second video featuring highlights of the City of Pittsburgh. The video took two years to make.

Pregnant passengers and persons suffering from motion sickness are urged to move Downtown.

