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All hail the twentieth year* of the powerful...

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It's zeugmatic...it's free...if you can find it

"...you make me strange..."*

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OCCUPY THE FARM gardeners agree that the University of California's effort to grow experimental corn without water is provocative, but eagerly look forward to seeing how well it works, no pun intended.

Secret Service Resolves to Pay Prostitutes Fairly Next Time

by Paris N. DeSpring

Acknowledging that short-sighted Secret Service agents had underpaid escorts and prostitutes in Colombia and El Salvador, an embarrassed Janet Napolitano assured representatives on Capitol Hill that strippers, escorts, and prostitution service workers would be fairly paid and also get little red, white, and blue balloons next time around.



"It isn't just that it's the right thing to do," stated Napolitano. "It's also really bad luck to stiff a whore."

Sailors nationwide agreed, pointing to numerous references in literature regarding bad luck at sea being rooted in mistreatment of prostitutes in port.

HOMELAND Security Secretary Janet Napolitano testifies on Capitol Hill in Washington that all whores and strippers will get well paid in the future and also some really cool Homeland Security swag.

"You don't take the risk," affirmed one retired sailor. "Everybody's got their job to do. You treat people fair, and then there's just staying on the right side of luck."

Republicans and Democrats seemed to see this as a non-partisan issue.

"We've all been there," stated one senator. "We appreciate that there might be some risk to the President with shenanigans of this kind, but the real risk is to the ship of state. And the gals in the nearest port."

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*PST's volume numbering didn't begin until six years after publication.

UC Begins New Gill Tract Experiment Water-free farming with Paint Balls and Pepper Spray

by Chris Pleironed

In an impressive show of force, police from eight University of California campuses arrested nine "Occupy the Farm" Gill Tract protesters and shooed dozens of others off the land at the corner of Marin and San Pablo Avenues in Berkeley.

"The budget cutbacks that have affected academic departments haven't cramped our style at all," stated one officer. "We have some special pastel-colored paint ball colors issued for spring which we feel give us a little edge in the press."

University of California (UC) Berkeley spokesperson Dan Mogulof confirmed that paint balls, pepper (OC) spray, riot gear and shotguns with "only-sometimes-lethal" ordinance were part of the weapons on hand that morning, but pointed out that some vegetables are covered with thorns and capable of popping up anywhere.

"Vegetables are surly," he stated. "Especially before their coffee in the morning."

UC police spokesperson Lt. Eric Tejada confirmed that especially on an organic farm vegetables needed a firm hand, pointing to the bulldozers nearby.

"We give a warning to leave every minute for ten minutes," stated Tejada. "Those tomatoes can't argue that they weren't warned."

"We don't like smashing beans and squash seedlings," added another officer,

"but we've been thoroughly trained to destroy insurgent vegetables if they refuse to disperse from wherever we find them."

People standing outside the farm area on the sidewalk were told that they were an unlawful assembly, and seven of them were arrested for failure to disperse.



UC POLICE CONFER about the best way to destroy vegetables given the wealth of opportunities offered by OC spray, pepper balls, guns, tasers, etc.

"It isn't what they did," explained Tejada as Mogulof nodded nearby. "It's what they could have done if we hadn't stepped in."

Critics argued that

UC's water-free growing experiment was doomed to failure, but were dismissed by experts from the College of Natural Resources.

"We've done some mighty weird things with corn," stated one expert. "Plants just might thrive on paint balls and pepper spray. And whether they do or not, Novartis thinks it will make a really interesting study."

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ASK THE EXPERTS



LENA DEETER knows the answers to everything forwards and backwards.

Dear Lena, are they serious about terrorist suspects at the Solano Stroll? Should I boot my stroller? What if I swear it's not full of explosives? My child can be kind of disruptive, but I think a SWAT vehicle is kind of over the top.

Dear reader, I know you. You're the parent with the little shrieker in the front row. The cities of Berkeley and Albany will be ready for you this year. Bring your gas mask.

Dear Lena, I have a lot of, uh, sensitive information on my cell phone, too. Can I get the Berkeley Police Department's drug task force on overtime to find it next time it's misplaced or stolen? I would feel much safer.

Dear reader, yes, of course you can. It just wouldn't be fair for Berkeley Chief of Police Meehan to reserve this special service for his own family and not make it available to everybody else. Count on it; the City of Berkeley treats everyone equally.

Dear Lena, why shouldn't the tobacco industry look out for its bottom line and spend millions to make sure another generation continues to smoke? Isn't that their business? Isn't it just free enterprise? If people are stupid enough to smoke, isn't that their problem?

Dear reader, I couldn't agree more. This is just free enterprise and corporate personhood at its best. Anybody who can should be able to buy an election.

Dear Lena, I just heard they want a Lenco Bearcat for the Cal football crowds. Am I missing something? I know they vomit all over the sidewalks and piss in our yards, but I'm not sure what the SWAT vehicle is supposed to do in response. Isn't this a little...insane?

Dear reader, try to understand. What if the neighboring police groups get it first? Our police will be the laughingstock of the next Occupy overreaction. Please don't make it worse by asking insensitive questions. *Ask Lena about sensitive matters at cdenny@jgc.org.*

Hotbed of Terrorism Suspected at Cal Games and Solano Stroll

Homeland Security Offers Help



THE LENCO BEARCAT isn't just a lot of fun to drive, it enables the whole community to feel safer since it can annihilate out of control Solano Stroll or football revelers in short order.

by Gene Splicer

Berkeley, Albany, and University of California police want a tank.

"We wish we could provide every nervous, protest-filled city with a tank, but we can't," stated wistful Homeland Security spokesperson Craig Fenson. "The M1 Abrams is about 60 tons, and really tears up the roads."

The Lenco BearCat, in contrast, is a relatively trim 16,500 lbs - 17,550 lbs, comparable to a city bus but equipped for Occupy riot control with NIJ Level IV, 1.5 - .5 inch steel plate, weapon mountable rotating roof hatch, multiple side gun ports, and capable of thrilling highway speeds up to 90 miles an hour for a mere \$240,000 - \$300,000.

"That's government money, not City of Berkeley money," pointed out a spokesperson for Berkeley's police. "That means it's, like, almost free."

Disgruntled protesters grumbled that the well-publicized corruption in local police departments argues in favor of less, not more lethal and potentially lethal weapons in the hands of police who feel entitled to knock on reporters' doors in the middle of the night to "correct" a story, institute local brothels and blackmailing schemes, fire smoke grenades straight at the heads of un-

armed protesters, cover their badge numbers, etc., but were dismissed.

"These people have clearly not been to a football game lately," stated the police spokesperson. "The attendees are drunk, loud, pissing all over the neighborhood."

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Local police pointed out that the Solano Stroll had the same potential for becoming a hotbed of criminal activity.

"They're a really suspicious crowd," observed one police officer who noted the high volume of wheeled baby strollers long prohibited in People's Park because of the potential for someone to pack them with illegal or explosive material.

"Yes, they're pretty crazy up there," agreed another local official. "There are bellydancers, men hopping around with bells on their feet -- it can get pretty scary."

"Again, we don't *want* to spray non-lethal CS gas from a rotating roof hatch or the multiple side gun ports, or bomb the Solano Stroll, but we'll all feel safer if we simply have that capability."

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Police Chief's Son's Cell Phone Is Top Priority

by Holly Sheet

Berkeley Police Chief Michael Meehan dismissed critics of his use of ten officers, including four detectives on overtime, to track his son's missing cell phone as "completely insensitive."

"He is really fond of that phone," stated Chief Meehan. "It means a lot to him."

Critics countered that Andrea Cukor was pretty fond of her husband, too, the resident who was beaten to death by a trespasser when police officers did not respond to their call for help, claiming they were busy with an Occupy protest which was in fact miles away.

"Cell phones are full of important information," stated a police spokesperson. "We sent the property crimes team and the drug task force officers *because we care.*"

Berkeley citizens questioned the move, pointing out that it takes hours to get a police officer to respond to most property crimes if one comes at all, and noted that no police report had been filed about the Chief's son's cell phone.

"We're just saving paper," responded the police spokesperson. "We are into getting really green."

A police spokesperson affirmed that the department was on the alert for a green windbreaker also lost by the Chief's son.

"We haven't gone door-to-door yet," stated the spokesperson. "But we're ready."

Michael Sherman of Berkeley's Police Review Commission woke briefly from a stupor to say he still gives the chief the benefit of the doubt.

"And I will keep giving him that benefit of the doubt after he and his department have knocked on every door in Berkeley," said Sherman. "Except mine."

Sherman went on to say that there could



REMEMBER THIS GUY? He's not done banging on all the doors in Oakland and Berkeley, that is, unless you've called the police for help.

have been very good security reasons to retrieve the phone, the green windbreaker, and anything else the chief's son might have lost in the past year or so.

"And I am not saying that just because he didn't bang on my door," affirmed Sherman. "I, for one, am very fond of my own green windbreaker."

Experts agreed that while the City of Berkeley is spending approximately \$50,000 to study its police department's handling of public relations, iPhones, and green windbreakers, the best way to get actual assistance from the police is to hold an Occupy sign.

"We are the 99%", or something like that," advised one expert. "That's the ticket. The police will be on you like a duck on a June bug."

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Protest Rehearsals Really Boring- "Like Watching Grass Grow"

by Roland N. Dough

UC Police efforts to adopt Recommendation 24 of the Robinson-Edley report on police misconduct issues are hitting a snag.

"We don't really know the issues, so it's hard to get worked up to speed. Tomatoes? Corn?" stated one security guard.

"I know there's some controversy about biofuels and patents, but I just want to pepper spray somebody," added another.

"We have no director," stated a sheepish UC spokesperson. "We're hiring some Occupy consultants, and hope for a more accurate and lively simulation soon."

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CAMPUS POLICE AND security staff were advised in the Robinson-Edley report to conduct simulations of responses to civil disobedience so that they don't look like this fool sitting in the middle of a field.

by Franz Toast

We Can't Draw Comics



La Donna Porter Gets the Boot -

“Being a shill for Big Tobacco just doesn’t pay off the way it used to,” says Porter

by Kevin Intopressure

Governor Jerry Brown finally caved in to a bunch of fussy people who objected to Dr. La Donna Porter’s ads on behalf of the tobacco industry and booted her from a powerful state health board.

Dr. Porter showed up in the early, near-constant tobacco industry ads which showed her in a white coat in a doctor’s office claiming Proposition 29 would send jobs and money out of state and create unaccountable bureaucracy in the same pretty white doctor’s coat she used to oppose a tobacco tax in 2006 and defend perchlorate in groundwater on behalf of an earlier chemical company campaign.

“We don’t think she’s a mental case,” stated one Proposition 29 supporter. “She was appointed by Governor Schwarzenegger and had a traditional hands-off approach to regulation and taxes that just manages to include keeping kids smoking and side-stepping an opportunity for qualified independent cancer research.”

“What’s different about this new crop of



DR. PORTER disappeared quickly from the tobacco industry’s tv ads after Governor Jerry Brown booted her from the state health board.

doctors who agree to shill for Big Tobacco is that often they *don’t* get paid for confusing the public,” stated another Proposition 29 supporter. “We’re trying not to lose compassion entirely for Dr. Porter. Maybe she’s just trying to drum up business for doctors generally.”

The tobacco industry has no embarrassment about outspending the Proposition 29 supporters by over six to one at present.

“Snuffing out human lives may look cruel to some people,” stated a spokesperson for J. R. Reynolds. “But to us it’s just really good business.”

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WELLS FARGO BANK had its shortest, liveliest shareholders’ meeting ever when a bunch of Occupy protesters bought shares and came to the meeting.

Wells Fargo Surrenders to Occupy Shareholders

by Cora DeApple

Wells Fargo Bank had to cancel its recent shareholders’ meeting due to the large ratio of Occupy protesters who bought one share, entitling them to attend the meeting, then had the audacity to demand that the bank change its policy of misleading low-income minorities with deceptive and predatory loan agreements.

“Our shareholders never used to act this way,” exclaimed one bank official. “Now we can’t tell the good shareholders from the bad shareholders.”

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THE ADVENTURES OF THE CENTER FOR ECOIDIOCY

by Juan Nathan Undergod



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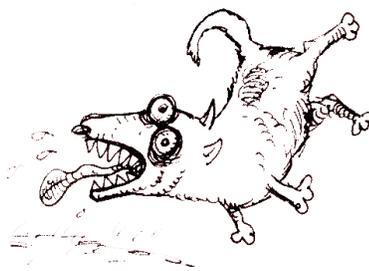


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