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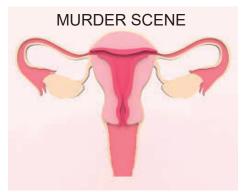
### **Alabama Supreme Court Rules** Menstruation is Murder

By Xaviera Pinions

The Supreme Court of the State of Alabama ruled yesterday that menstruation is in fact murder.

"Every unfertilised egg callously flushed from a woman's body deprives a potential person of a chance for life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, all enshrined as inalienable rights in the United States' Declaration of Independence, as well as unconstitutionally depriving them of their rights under the second, fourth, fifth, and eighth Amendments to the United States' Constitution, that is to say, their right to bear arms, their right to be secure in their persons, their right to due process, and their freedom from cruel and unusual punishment."

In his dissenting opinion Justice Wenkelmeyer wrote, "If this ruling is to stand, then logic dictates male masturbation constitutes mass murder on a scale I've not seen since 1945."



THE MURDER SCENE IS UNUSUAL but easily investigated with the right array of legisla-

Justices Kavanaugh and Coney Barrett are said to be salivating at the the idea of the case being brought up before the Supreme Court.

## **Stadium Model** Accidentally Swept Into Trash



THE A'S STADIUM MODEL looks a lot like a clutter of crushed styrofoam cups and got swept up in the trash at its Las Vegas unveiling.

By Curtis E. Phone

"We brushed off the coffee grounds and popcorn alright," stated nervous Oakland A's owner John Fisher who finally came out of hiding to acknowledge the controversial proposed design for a Las Vegas A's stadium slated to open in 2028.

"The maintenance personnel apologized for thinking it was a pile of used styrofoam or part of some showgirl's costume," stated A's President Dave Kaval, who claims that 30% of the proposal's 33,000 seats will be "premium", causing confusion among Oakland A's fans still fighting the team's seemingly eternal efforts at relocation.



ALAN BJARKE IN-GELS, DAVE KAVAL, AND JOHN FISHER cluster around the glowing orb budgeted at \$1.5 billion.

"That's a kind of small stadium," noted one A's fan. "With respect, Las Vegas doesn't seem like much of a baseball town. Why relocate at all if they don't think they can fill a stadium smaller than the one we have in Oakland?"

"Because we've spent a lot of dough on the concept," admitted one insider. "Like it or not, crushed styrofoam cups wins the day.

### **Women Admit They Menstruate** "without even thinking"



WOMEN ARE THOUGHTLESS about but most women menstruation that they multi-task, menstruating while knitting, sewing, or having tea.

Bv Becky Ningvoice

The Alabama Supreme Court's recent decision to rule menstruation as a murdurous act sent shock waves around the nation admitted they had never thought about it as a crime, and had even consid-

ered it a normal, natural human function.

"I'm worried now," confessed Carrie Weights, mother of three pushing a baby carriage through a local park surrounded by decorative shipping containers. "My county has laws regarding the disposal of bodies, and having a monthly funeral for the little egg is going to take a lot of planning. Especially considering that the reveal party will be ever so difficult."

Women across the nation appear to agree that assuming additional states adopt similar rulings there will need to be a lot more funerals.

"Don't get me wrong," added a nother nearby woman quickly, "we tend to take our funerals very seriously."

best clothes and recipes," added Claudia continue menstruating Furniture proudly. "We'll do our best to



"We get out our WOMEN ARE while being beaten.

make these affairs as dignified as possible. But it's a little hard to envision the eentsy beentsy coffins.'



#### ASK THE EXPERTS



LENA DEETER knows the answers to everything forwards and backwards.

Dear Lena, if the City of Berkeley can afford to spend \$27 million to respect the landmarked Berkelev shellmound, why don't they pull some money together to buy the land that is now People's Park? After all, that's now a federal landmark on the National Register of Historic Places and an historic resource for the whole nation. The City of Berkeley and the University of California are arrogant if they think this is only a local concern. And after all the money they've spent on fighting for these stupid efforts to destroy it, simply leaving it be a park under national control seems cheaper.

Dear reader, yes, much cheaper, especially adding up all the shipping container security guard costs, which broke over \$7 million months ago. But there's no end to the UC and city egos at stake here, which quiver at the concept of tie-dye continuing to be a factor in the future, or rather the political futures of the real intended beneficiaries, those on the political track to power.

#### Dear Lena, so can't we just talk about it like in a meeting? Has anybody tried that yet?

Dear reader, oddly, no. The University of California of course had their canned events so they could check the putrified public participation box, but the City of Berkeley didn't even bother to pretend they cared about public opinion, which as you can imagine, would not support the \$7 million and counting shipping container arrangement especially given the embarrassing amount of alternative places already owned by the university where there used to be housing anyway. If Berkeley citizens would stand up and demand some common sense solutions right about now they will find some traction, and not because of the obvious misuse of public funds.

#### Dear Lena, why?

Dear reader, because it's an election year.

Ask Lena about how turtles travel with heavy skillets at cdenney@igc.org.

# Nearly Half of World's Migratory Species in Decline Because They're Just Not Trying Hard Enough

By Burt Flyingby



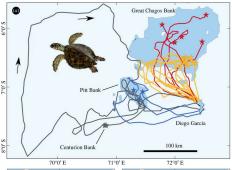
SEA TURTLES' MI-**GRATORY TRAVEL** PATH can take them 10,000 miles to find tasty jellyfish, so a little nosh along the way is hard to resist.

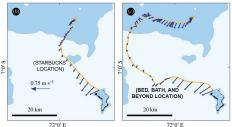
"Songbirds, sea turtles, sharks, even whales are moving into less challenging neighborhoods," stated Kelly Maisch, one of the authors of the United Nations report recently released at a conference in Uzbekistan. "We find they're taking the easiest route to less challenging stopovers along the

way," commented Maisch. "They're abandoning more traditional migratory routes for routes nearby a Starbucks or where there's a sale on snow tires."

Almost half of migratory species' population across the globe are in decline, and their physicians are reluctant to advise yet another prescription for symptoms of depression given their travel schedule.

"They're also touchy about where they procreate," whispered one study author at the U.N. wildlife conference in Samarkand, Uzbekistan, "Habitat loss would affect these dwindling populations along with other threats, but Air B&Bs are readily available in most parts of the world. At this point it just doesn't seem unreasonable to expect a bit of adaptation."





HAWKSBILL TURTLES LAY THEIR EGGS on Diego Garcia island each winter and then meander around the Indian Ocean like drunken sailors on journeys full of random loops and double-backs as though they have no idea where they're going.

Conference hardliners continue to insist that traditional migration is essential for some species, despite the discountseasonal travel oppor- SHARKS' airlines cruises offer.



**MIGRATORY** tunities most PATTERNS are now distorted and by pop-up canopy fast food festivals where they can try "We've interesting, new dishes.

survived the

pandemic and we've had to embrace resiliency," nodded one wildlife travel agent vigorously. "We look forward to accommodating the leatherbacks and the sharks. Although applicants should appreciate that separate floors might be best.

Other conference attendees disagree, pointing out that simple GPS monitoring proves that sea turtles tend to loop and noodle around rather than travel like half the population of Modesto headed for their iobs in San Francisco knowing they would lose their places in promotions if they stopped along the way for anything except emergency purposes.

"I've never been to any of the places along my work route," acknowledged hu-

commuters among the conferattendees. ence turtles' "These migration patterns are like sailors trying to find a bar in a foriegn port, or STEELHEAD TROUTkids playing pin the tail on the donkey. They're all over the place."

to rig the game,"



died by the hundreds after firefighters' foam was allowed to run straight into Codornices Creek despite a creek protec-"Or they're trying tion ordinance that got lots of admiring press.

pointed out other researchers, arguing that there's no upside to trusting that humans have wildlife's best interests at heart. "Berkeley established a creek protection ordinance. But in 2019 uncontrolled toxic foam runoff from an extinguished fire in a garbage truck killed hundreds of steelhead in Codornices Creek."

Local steelhead admitted they tend to avoid Berkeley.

"It isn't just the foam," stated one steelhead. "Berkeley used to have a kickass local theater and music scene.'

#### Amazon's Internal Memos Unfairly Shared with **People Who Don't Understand Internal Culture's Nuance**

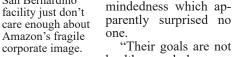


AMAZON LIKES TO THINK OF ITSELF AS "EARTH'S BEST EMPLOYER" so its feelings are really hurt when people who don't understand its internal culture which understandably promotes the concept of self-serving corporate behavior as a social good.

By Chevenne Retiring

A recent Amazon memo complained that after receiving their donation the Cheech Marin Center for Chicano Arts & Culture,

which is part of the Riverside Art Museum in California, had ex-BEWARE hibited a local artist who "depicted an Amazon facility on fire." The memo went on to say that "we will not donate to The Cheech", WORKERS at the demonstrating a small-San Bernardino mindedness which ap-



"Their goals are not healthy workplaces or

creative, thriving communities," stated Susan Phillips, director at the Redford Conservancy at Pitzer College, a leading critic of the region's warehouse expansion. "Amazon calls 'community engagement' what is, in fact, manipulation."

Phillips is clear about Amazon's goals: first, to head off labor organizing; second, to keep wages low; third, to build more and more and more warehouses.

"Keep in mind that Amazon will frame all of these things as for the public's own benefit," stated Phillips. "The memo makes it clear. They're going to 'hone language' and 'increase visibility' and pose as a deeply caring, connected corporate player for building a warehouse where workers quit so quickly they're going to run out of the available planetary supply this year.'

"We can only assume they're ready with robots," puzzled one worker, "which are more likely to stand the high injury rates."



MOST KIDS HAVE NO IDEA THAT life can exist without cell phones and will not only say they will literally die without their cell phones, they might literally die without them. Come to think of it, they are going to die, so yes, not an empty threat.

#### **Proposed Classroom Phone Restrictions Cause Riots**

By Heywood Jawashdecaw

"It's hard to argue with the data," sighed education consultant Flora DeBuilding referring to studies showing that following the removal of cell phones from classrooms learning improves, distractions reduced, and students and teachers begin to talk to each other and even recognize each other in the hallways.

But some parents are not so sure.

"We started a small business selling stuff from the backs of our closets," noted Holly Sheet, parents of three kids whose net worth is now north of eight figures. "We know that education is important, but our kids are making a killing on the international market for Barbie accessories.'

The younger set of cell phone users is taking no chances with the proposed restrictions by sinking their start-up gains into independent platforms capable of accessing the dark web and evading regulation.

"We appreciate that they want us to learn to read and all," stated one eight-year-old

start-up consultant. "Later for that."
"I just need my nut tucked away," agreed another elementary school attendee checking through the financial pages. "

We Can't Draw Comics by Franz Toast







#### House Vote on TikTok Baffles Video-Addicted Public

## TikT

THE PUBLIC CAN'T FIGURE OUT what goofy cat videos have to do with foreign policy.

By Diego DeChicken

The House of Representatives' recent brave vote requiring TikTok to divest its Chinese ownership before American finds itself eating Chinese food puzzled Americans who've come to treasure the platform precisely for its intellectual content, which is considered to have the ingredients similar to that of a Twinkie.

Critics countered that Congress has always allowed domestically-owned platforms full of idiocy to vacuum up and monetize the personal information of its users without constraint, but were dismissed.

"We have that fine print at the bottom," noted a representative from Facebook or Meta or whatever it's presently called by print deadline. "People can simply read it



THESE KIDS DON'T LOOK LIKE much of a threat to the country but who knows what is really behind the sudoku craze.

and decide whether they want to build a unique platform to say hi to their grandkids or boot their privacy, which they do."

Others agreed that getting used and manipulated by Silicon Valley operatives needs regulation but admitted there is currently "no path" to addressing the wholesale theft of personal information especially considering Silicon Valley's traditional generosity toward hard-working legislators.

TikTok's claim that it has no political sway was abundantly contradicted by its



MOONWALKING PENGUINS PUT UP a fierce fight to retain Chinese ownership because they adore Mapo Tofu and Wonton Soup.

campaign urging users to contact Congress to oppose the measure, but most users consider it just part of the game, like dancing videos, and see no particular threat.

Many lawmakers prefer to tolerate international influence, "especially while contact with the grandkids is at stake," admitted one congressional aide. "We don't mind if China owns our real estate and does our manufacturing, but we have our limits."

Next Issue:losing our hair with celebrities!

#### I Want My Present Now

#### by Juan Nathan Undergod







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