

# TRAILER LIFE

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## Eyjafjallajökull By Tal Rozenberg

Recently Icelandic volcano, Eyjafjallajökull, erupted. The subsequent ash cloud covered most of Northern Europe. Flights, to and from Europe were cancelled and some countries sent warships and military vehicles to pick-up stranded



citizens. The backlog caused by the ash cloud and six days worth of cancelled flights was huge.

The ash cloud had various affects on different industries. The airline industry was greatly affected. Most flights that were cancelled were by various EU airlines. EU law requires that if a flight is cancelled the airline must

oxygen to be transferred from the air to the water! How can fish breath, and birds rest with these circumstances? At this point they have already tried to stop the oil from spilling into the water but have failed every time! At first they wanted to try and cover the oil with a tank and regain most of the oil, but that plan fell through! Then a few days later the scientists in charge of the incident sent a robot down to the oil leaks to turn the oil flow, but it was unable to. Of course there are always going to be new ideas and ways to save the earth from this harmful substance. But what angers many others and myself is that there is no protocol for this! I mean shouldn't there already be resources and supplies that we could use to stop the oil? So since there wasn't anything to use for this incident that'll stop it, the oil will continue to flow freely for another week, killing animals on shore and in water.

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## Gulf Coast Oil Spill

By Henry Sorren

Two weeks ago a BP oil-rig exploded and fell apart, now every day 50,000 gallons are released into the gulf coast every day! When the rig exploded it gave scientists a surprise from behind! I mean liquid was pouring out into the Ocean! This is putting many animals in danger because oil is extremely toxic and prevents

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# WORLD

## Sixteen-years-old and Alone at Sea

By: Riann Brown

On October 18, 2009 sixteen-year-old Australian, Jessica Watson, set sail from Sydney to complete a solo journey around the world. Having been at sea for six months, completely unassisted and alone, she is now less than a month away from coming full circle back to Sydney, securing her the title of the youngest person ever to have accomplished such an epic feat. This is made possible due to the malfunction of yet another young girl's sailing equipment. Native Californian Abby Sunderland had to abandon her route as she attempted



to claim the same title, deciding rather to head to South Africa for repairs than venture on with faulty equipment.

In her blog, Jessica describes a nasty storm she had encountered sometime along her journey across the Atlantic, saying the waves were “10-metre liquid mountains” that actually knocked her boat sideways. Now though, things seem to be going better as she nears the end of her course, but yet another storm lies in the forecast, and possibly one worse than the last.

She has taken the necessary precautions and prepared her boat as well as herself for the upcoming conditions. It is said that if things get too ugly she has planned to strap herself to a wet seat or her bunk, and even has a crash helmet just in case.

Her story is being followed worldwide, especially now, as the last stretch may hold the undoing of her treacherous goal. Her family and supporters remain confident that she will be able to overcome the difficulties that lie ahead, anxious and awaiting her arrival at the Sydney Harbour.

### **Random Fact!**

Marie Curie, the Nobel prize winning scientist who discovered radium, died of radiation poisoning

# WORLD

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pay for lodgings and food for the affected passengers, if another flight cannot be found. This cost for the airlines has only helped to worsen the effects of the ash cloud. Aside from the airline industry, the Kenyan flower industry also suffered greatly. Over 50% of flowers grown in Kenya are destined for European consumers; these are transported by air because otherwise they will wilt. The ferry and train industries were positively affected, because passengers were looking for other means of transport.

The scientific side of this story is quite interesting. Eyjafjallajökull has a “sister volcano,” Katla, which in the past has always erupted around the same time as Eyjafjallajökull, but this time so far it has not. Scientists have no explanation for this. Now here it gets better. Eyjafjallajökull’s eruption released sulfur dioxide, which blocks light. This also blocks the light from reaching CO2 emissions. Scientists estimate that the cooling effect from this volcano should be about .25 of a degree, which is actually quite a bit. Also, because of the flight cancellations, about 2.8m tons of CO2 were not released into the atmosphere versus if the flights had flown.

This article is just a glimpse into the effects and ramifications of this eruption. There is a ton more information out there about Eyjafjallajökull. So go do some research!

## SUN DANGERS by Megan Gale

It’s something everyone always tells us: cover up, wear sunglasses or sun block and don’t stay in the sun too long or you will get burned. But how likely are your chances? I’m going to clear up a few myths about the sun. The first of which is, “if there are heavy clouds, then I can’t get burned.” No, that is absolutely not true. If you remember what clouds are made of, that substance is called WATER and it reflects! Meaning that if you go out when there is cloud coverage you’re as good as magnifying the sun! The next myth is that, “I tan well, I don’t need sun block.” Just because you tan well doesn’t mean that you’re superman; being able to tan doesn’t mean you have built-in sun block. Yes, fair skinned people need to be a bit more cautious, but we all need to use sunscreen with at least SPF 15. Finally, even though it’s almost summer, let’s all remember that Flagstaff is climatically challenged; remember the snowstorm in May? Please wear sun block, it may seem silly, but you can get some of the worst sunburns from playing in the snow, and if there is a high UV level, 6-11, try not to go out between 10am-4pm.



### Random Fact

The world’s smartest pig, owned by a mathematics teacher in Madison, WI, memorized the multiplication tables up to 12

# WORLD/REVIEW

## Summer Fun

Sarahbeth Lutz

I know all of you have nothing planned this summer. Teens never do, so I'm going to make it a little easy for you.

The library is having the summer reading program, for newborns to 16 year olds. If it's anything like last year, which I bet it will be, you'll get a new book and an envelope full of sweet coupons. Also get your name put in to the drawing. Over 16? No fear, they have an adult program where you can also get a free book.

There is also the Renaissance and Celtic festival this summer. Come join in the fun. Also Wednesdays in the park, there is a fun little festival that will be moved from park to park, and will provide fun games and more. Grab some friends and head over to these fun festivals. Don't forget movies! Bad or good, these are a great place to be with friends or family.

We are all hoping for the 4th of July fireworks. That will most likely be over by the mall, if the city gets the thumbs up.

One last thing: Just be safe this summer and don't sit in the dark with your eyes glued to your laptop or T.V. Spend some time with family and friends.

## The Last Song

Review

By Henry Sorren

This movie made me cry at the end of it..... CAUSE IT SUCKED! I cried because it was such a waste of my money! The Last Song was full of bad actors, bad dialogue and worst of all, Miley Cyrus! I mean Hannah Montana was alright, if you like self-inflicted torture! The only reason that she got this role was because it's almost the identical twin of her show! Think about it, in the movie she lives on a beach and is a musician, in the show she lived on a beach and is a musician! Now I'm not trying to rip on Miley too much, because it's not her fault she's a bad actress. It's Disney's fault! All her life she's been forced into roles where she has to overact and be cheesy, and that was quite noticeable with The Last Song. This movie truly was a disgrace to the world, and never should be shown, just like Mario and Luigi's cousin, Bill. I suggest never seeing it, unless you like to have hours of pain flowing through face and body.



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# ASK OSIRIS



send your questions to  
askosiris@gmail.com

Dear Osiris,

I really like this girl... I've been sending her chocolates and flowers and secret love notes... but she hasn't been responding to all of my signals. Is there something wrong with me? How can I talk to her without scaring her away?

-Lovestruck1958

Dear WorthlessDesperate-Loser1958,

Oh my god, I haven't heard a tale as pathetic as yours since... never. You worthless slob of a human being, what are you DOING sending her flowers and chocolates? Don't you know how miserably clichéd that is? You actually think that the chicks dig that? You must be some kind of ultra-weirdo, if you're sending her all of these "signals" and "secret

loves notes". Who the hell does that? I mean, seriously? Are you in second grade? I don't think it's even possible for you to talk to her WITHOUT scaring her away. Sorry. I would pop a few Tic-Tacs to fight away that horrible oniony odor that leaks from your oral cavity and forget all about the female population forever. It's not like they're ever going to like you, anyway.

Dear Osiris,

I just love soccer! But I also love cheerleading. Is there a right way for me to balance it, so I have time to do both and not get tired of either one?

-Cheerleader101

Dear IdioticMoronicHigh-SchoolConformist101,

I had to hold myself back from guffawing the whole time I read your letter by biting my tongue until it bled in my mouth. It's obviously too late to intervene and save you from a life of painful conformity. You've sold your wretched soul to the cheerleading business this early, and I'm sorry, there's no going back. Even your name gives away your lack of individuality and intelligence. I feel no pity for you, however. I mostly feel

contempt over your situation. If soccer and cheerleading are your only life, then I'd be giving up now. Maybe ditch the whole cheerleading business altogether and become a lawyer, actually making some MONEY and providing for the human race. Oh wait, I forgot, you CAN'T because you have one brain cell TOPS.

Dear Osiris,

I'm just wondering why we have to take tests in high school. What's the point?

-TestHater1948

Dear StupidPimplyTeenThat-IFeelNoSympathyFor1948,

Why are you writing me this unarticulated note of a simplistic question that wastes ten seconds of my life to read? Your vocabulary probably doesn't exceed 100 words. I imagine you're a first grader, and, if you're not, then it's pathetic that somebody deemed you "passable" to be in a high school environment. At least try to be a little more verbal in your letter. And, about the tests, officials (which means some incompetent, uptight, and altogether idiotic Republicans in our government) pore over them to determine if you excel in your classes or not. And I'm guessing that you don't, buddy.

# HOROSCOPES

## Horoscopes

By: Isis and Horus

The Cold Hard Truth, by Horus:

- **Aries, The Ram**

Your combative nature and hot temper will cause you trouble.

Avoid confrontations with Aquarius, as they will put a damper on your plans.

- **Taurus, The Bull**

You're likely to run your head into things and get stabbed in the back.

Avoid the Spanish and red objects.

- **Gemini, The Twins**

You are likely to fight with a loved-one, most probably a brother. (I suggest you pray to Osiris, my dad, if you want to win.) But this fight will strengthen your relationship.

- **Cancer, The Crab**

Someone you consider a hero will betray you. Avoid anyone you consider a hero. This could be hard, so take a vacation to a deserted island.

- **Leo, The Lion**

You are the invincible lion, but beware- a Greek will defeat you. Cancel any vacations to Greece; not that you could get there anytime soon.

- **Virgo, The Virgin**

Just like your sign sake, you may be kidnapped. Most likely by your evil classmate (you sit by them in English class) who is a little death-obsessed.

The Bright Side, by Isis:

- **Libra, The Scales**

You are just and good. I recommend that you become a judge.

- **Scorpio, The Scorpion**

I fear for your happiness. (Sob, sob, sob.) You should go (sob) into hiding.

- **Sagittarius, The Archer**

Your skill with a bow is amazing.

Become a professional archer.

- **Capricorn, The Goat**

You are a nurturing individual and you will take care of someone else's child. This child will become great because of you.

- **Aquarius, The Water Carrier**

You carry water and life within you. You will be a great servant.

- **Pisces, The Fish**

You are a god of love in fish form.

You often find yourself afraid of fire; to get over this you must become a firefighter.

### Random Fact!

The Boeing 747 is capable of flying upside-down if it weren't for the fact that the wings would shear off when trying to roll it over



# OPINION

## Online Dating

By Victoria Barringer

Online dating is not much of a priority while in high school. It's great for older individuals who missed their marks a couple times and are now lonely but you're in high school. You're too young and beautiful to care too much about personalities. It's all about looks and not feeling alone. If you do have a deeper relationship, good for you. If you're single, don't turn to a computer to hold your hand and cause you drama from miles away.

Now if this online relationship is servicing you well with good gifts from across the world then keep it. But if you are just crying over your boyfriend or girlfriend that you've only known for 2 weeks and from hundreds of miles away that you never planned on meeting outside of the cyber world then you need to get a life. That's just my personal opinion.

### Random Fact!

ORION is the best designer in history!

## Fierce and Fabulous 2010

By Pierre Valentino

"Every generation laughs at the old fashions, but follows religiously the new."

- Henry David Thoreau

That quote couldn't be more sure today, with over 500,000 different types of clothing in the United Kingdom we barely have time to keep up with the new fashion, that is why I, Pierre have created this article, to inform you about this year's fashion fads. Though I have to warn you, some of the ideas may be controversial and if you belong to any organized religion, I suggest you don't read this.

Coming in at spot #1: Suspenders, yes that's right, suspenders. Now these aren't your grandpa's suspenders I'm talking about. I'm talking about leather-silted suspenders! You can get these at any fashion store in America, and I do suggest you get them!

Spot #2: Gogo Boots! Now, I know this was a surprise from behind but it's true, Gogo boots are coming back into style! Go into your mom's vintage stuff, and find these priceless fashion accessories!

I know you may be shocked from these choices, but alas they are true, and "hip." Thank you for reading this article, this is Pierre, and I am out!

## I'm Taking The Middle Road

By Alex Anderson  
And Ellen Downum

FALA middle school is one of the most talked about plans, and a lot of you have your own opinions on this plan. But, before we go through and talk about our opinions, we should look at a fact: we would not be able to have an amphitheater due to bond costs.

Now we can talk about opinions. Well, for one thing, the school is going to get bigger, and we all know that bigger does not always mean better. Also, the school is not going to be that much bigger than it already is. Only 60 more students will be the new addition. But there is one thing that teachers may not like: some of the teachers will have to teach more classes.

I considered going to high school to be a step up in a life. It was also a chance to go on my own way. High school is considered a step up from the immaturity that we got in middle school, but who knows? It might be a good thing to introduce new kids into the high school system, particularly FALA's.

I think it will be good for the middle school kids to have those influences from the arts at an early stage in education. I personally think it will be nice to have a better campus.

## News Flash

By Tal Rozenberg

Can you crack the code?

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### Random Fact!

Replying more than 100 times to the same piece of spam e-mail will overwhelm the sender's system and interfere with their ability to send any more spam.

## According To Kyle

I am going to write about the weather and the activities that you can do in May. The outdoor activities that you can do in May are boulder, climb, mow the lawn, play basketball, play baseball, play soccer, hike and walk the dog. The activities that you can do inside are play video games, play board games, read a book and watch movies. The Cinco De Mayo parade is also an event that goes on in May. There are floats and music. This parade will occur on NAU campus. It's located in Northern Arizona University near the Furniture Barn. The weather is typically nice with little precipitation. The average precipitation in May is 0.80". Snow is still possible in May. The temperatures are mainly nice.

