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## State of Alabama Bans Same-Sex Swing Marriages

SACRAMENTO—Last week, the Alabama Legislature finalized a law to ban same-sex swing marriages. Preschool and elementary school children around the nation who have been swinging together will no longer be able to swing in unison, and this will be enforced by both recess supervisors and state law.

The overwhelmingly conservative Alabama state legislature felt a need to return to traditional values, such as no “chasing” at recess, no “card playing” or “wallball” and certainly no “swing marriages.”

“We don’t want these kids getting the wrong idea, even at an early age,” Alabama Governor Bob Riley commented. “These kids need to know that nowhere in the bible does it say that two people of the same sex can swing in unison.

We define a swing marriage as between one little boy and one little girl, and even then, only with the consent of the parents and teachers.”

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Same-sex swing marriages still do occur, to the disdain of the state. Those same-sex couples who want to get swing-married are still able to, but they are not recognized officially under state law. There are still rogue teachers who will recognize a same-sex swing marriage, but definitely not on the public school playground.



Two toddlers of the same-sex in a swing marriage AP PHOTO

## Congress Rejects Bailout Plan For Inmate #36788

WASHINGTON, D.C.—In a move that critics around the nation are calling “preposterous”, Congress rejected a bailout plan for inmate number 36788 of the Arlington County Jail.

Inmate number 36788 has been in the Arlington County Jail for fifteen years now, serving a sentence for murder, money laundering, and curfew violation. He was up for parole and bail, and when the decision came to Congress, they felt that the state of the economy just could not allow it.

“The economy is struggling now,” said President George Bush. “And I just don’t believe that we have the resources now to offer a bailout plan for Inmate #36788. Would it help the country if he were out of jail? I’m not sure.”

After this announcement, the prison underground



Inmate #36788 AP PHOTO

economy tanked—purchases and trades of cigarettes, gum, and whiskey went down 700 packs. The big players in the black market prison economy urged them to approve the deal, because the Arlington County Jail just couldn’t handle Inmate 36788.

After increased pressure from the Warden and other prisoners, Congress voted to approve the bailout plan, but only because cigarette lobbyists pressured them intensely with an offer of a lifetime supply of packs under the table.

## Opinion: “The Chow Mein In the Dining Halls Puts Me In Just The Right Mood To Read Plato”

By Leonard Huffman



I am the wisest man in the world because I know one thing, and that is that the chow mein in the dining hall puts me in just the right mood to read Plato.

The chow mein has just the right balance between noodles and veggies that is just like the inner balance I feel when I read one of Plato’s great dialogues.

It’s just salty enough and just healthy enough that it gets me excited for a little philosophical reading. When I see that chow mein it only makes me think one thing: It’s time to snuggle up to a little Plato.

## Young Beardless Non-Pipe-Smoking Professor Doesn’t Fit In With Rest of Faculty



## Debate Moderator Releases Pro-Obama Questions



“SO YOU’RE VOTING FOR OBAMA, RIGHT? CAUSE YOU’RE A STUDENT.”

EVERYONE, BECAUSE YOU CAN COUNT THE STUDENT REPUBLICANS ON ONE HAND.

## REBUS PUZZLES

Can you guess the common word or phrase portrayed below?

grab grab grab grab	away
Hit Der	te spl r

last weeks answers: CROSS BREED, DOWNRIGHT STUPID, ROBIN HOOD, WHAT GOES UP MUST COME DOWN

## NUMBERS

4

The number of Stanford students who are outwardly Republican. As a rule, if you are a college student at the current time you must vote for Obama. There are only a few set rules if you are a college student. 1. You are really independent. 2. You party a lot. 3. You vote for Obama in the presidential election.

## CRYPTOGRAM CHALLENGE

This is a simple substitution code. Each letter is replaced by a different letter. Try to decode the message or quote below. HINT C=D

“F CGX’J LQXJ JG QODFRUR FKKGBJQYFJM JDBGIAD KM LGBZ. F LQXJ JG

QODFRUR FJ JDBGIAD XGJ CMFXA.”- LGGCM QYYRX

LAST WEEK’S ANSWER: “DICTATORSHIP NATURALLY ARISES OUT OF DEMOCRACY, AND THE MOST AGGRAVATED FORM OF TYRANNY AND SLAVERY OUT OF THE MOST EXTREME LIBERTY.” - PLATO

## SUDOKU

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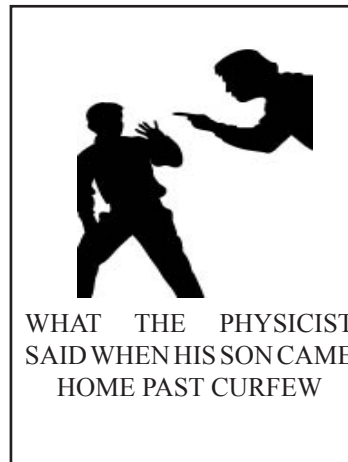
Fill in the grid so each column, row, and 3x3 box has the numbers 1 through 9.

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		8			2	4		
4	2						8	6

SUDOKU PROVIDED BY SUDOKU-PUZZLES.NET

## JUMBLE

Unscramble these four ordinary jumbles, and use the letters in circles to answer the final question.



ROGUD  
○ □ □ □ ○

DRING  
□ □ □ □ ○ ○

NEPOSK  
□ □ ○ □ □ □

VALIRS  
○ □ □ □ □ □

YOU'RE



LAST WEEKS ANSWERS: CURLY KNIFE LOAVES HORRID what they called the really easy class THE “OF COURSE”

Note: All names and stories are fictional, unless public figures are being satirized. Remember, these are all jokes.

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