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President's Speech

God has blessed us with a new year to serve Him. As Christians, we can praise God for this and rejoice that we are a year closer to the Rapture. Because of this, we should share the Gospel with the lost, draw closer to God by reading the Bible and praying, and encourage each other to grow in Christ.

We should share the Good News of Jesus Christ to the lost because that is what Jesus commands us to do. "And He said unto them, 'Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature'" (Mark 16: 15). We need to tell everyone "that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God so loved the World that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life"(John 3:5-6). Not only should we tell the lost about Jesus because He commands us to but we should also do it because we love them. Because the lost do not believe in Jesus, they are currently on their way to Hell where they will be in eternal torment because their sin separates them from God. But because we love them (and God loves them), we should tell them that Jesus has made a way for them to be forgiven of their sins and "have eternal life." "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth

Bible Verses of the Month

"Do not boast about tomorrow, For you do not know what a day it may bring forth."

-Proverbs 27: 1

"But as it is written, 'Eye hath not seen, nor ear hath heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him.'"

-1 Cor. 1:9

"Therefore if any man be born again in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things become new."

- 2 Cor 5: 17

"Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need."

-Hebrews 4: 14-16

"Seek ye the LORD while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return to the LORD, and He will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon."

-Isaiah 55: 6-7

the Lord Jesus and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved” (Romans 10: 9). Because Jesus commands us and because we love others, we should tell the lost that Jesus Christ can save them from eternal damnation.

As Christians, we should read the Bible, God's Word, and pray so that we can grow closer to God. By reading the Word, God can reveal Himself to us, teach us how to live like Jesus, and convict us of our sin. It is through reading God's Word that God speaks to us. By praying, we can talk to God, ask for His help and guidance in our lives, praise Him for His care and provision, confess our sins, and pray for others, our government, and the world. Prayer is a blessing that God has given believers because we can freely “come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need” (Hebrews 4: 16). Not only should we read God's Word and pray but we should also try to emulate Jesus Christ and apply what God has taught and convicted into our lives. We are not of this world; therefore we should not act like the world because the world is lost. Christians ought to read the Bible and pray so that they can grow more Christ-like.

It is also very important for the believers to encourage each other. “Not forsaking the assembly of ourselves together... but exhorting one another: and so much the more as ye see the day approaching. (Hebrews 10:25)” By encouraging, we can help each other to follow God and to grow in Christ. This is important because God tells us to do to encourage, and it helps us believers to remember what God says and to desire to obey God.

As this new year begins, we should remember these things and do them. In addition, we should praise God for giving us more time to tell others that Jesus saves! Happy New Year!



Weather Section Is Coming Back in February

The *Animalzanian Times* weather forecaster has been sick with the pneumonia. It is assumed that on the 13th of February, that he will be better. Sorry for the inconvenience this may cause.

-NR

Music School Opens its Doors

A music school has opened on Grant Street and is offering lessons for students and rehearsal rooms for musicians. Adults, teenagers, children interested in learning how to play an instrument or needing training to hone their skills can receive lessons from expert musicians. There are also special sound-proof rooms for musicians and orchestras to rehearse, practice, and record in. The Musician's Place has good prices for lessons and room rentals. If you are interested, stop by their place, and they will be glad to help you find what you need.

-Sarah Trotter



New Year's Day Celebrations

Happy New Year! A new year will begin, and Farjay will celebrate it with festivities and parades. On New Year's Eve, there will be a show of fireworks that will begin a half-hour after sunset. For the best views, one should go to the Plaza, the parks, or the cemetery. On the first of the new year, there will be a parade at noon that will go down the the main roads and streets of town. At six o'clock, there will be a ball held at the Hall, followed by a potluck supper. The Orchestra and Ballet Studio will be performing on the third at 4:30 in the afternoon. Tickets will be \$5 for adults and \$2 for children above the age of three.

We wish everyone a Happy New Year and praise God for blessing us with it!

-Sarah Trotter



J.O.Y Band

The arrival of the J.O.Y. Band in Farjay has been long expected, and we are glad to announce that they have arrived! They will be performing on the 20th, 22nd, and 24th at 5:30 PM at the Rose Theater. On the 26th, they will be doing a special performance at the Plaza at 4:20 PM. Tickets are \$3 per Animal and children under 2 have a free entry.

-Sarah Trotter

Velvet Rose and George Fir are Found!

The missing cousins came back on the 12th to the delight of their families and friends. "The two were dusty and tired," said Mrs. Gingersnap Fir, the sister of Velvet. "When they were seen coming up the road, there was a stampede. The adults were crying and thanking God and the cousins were yelling and asking the two what they had done. It was the best thing that has happened this year so far!"

Velvet and George had gone off because they believed they had a critical clue to the mystery of the Hunting Quest that Mr. Fairhaven began in July last year. If their hypothesis is correct remains to be seen as they were unwilling to reveal it. A great interest among the other teams has been aroused, and they are trying to figure out one way or the other about what Velvet and George discovered.

We are glad to announce that they came home safe and sound. Praise God!

-N.R.

Magical Forest Caverns Update

In December of 2012 and January of 2013, the *Animalzanian Times* featured three interesting articles on the Magical Forest, an unusual forest containing spectacular flora and fauna and mystical creatures. It was mentioned that there was an expedition had been sent out to explore the caverns in Mount Vernon, the mountain surrounded by the Magical Forest. The expedition returned in 2014 but was never announced to the public. However, as their findings have now been organized, we can now reveal their findings.

The expedition discovered that the

caverns under Mount Vernon are dangerous, extend deep into the earth, and contain important minerals that will be useful in Farjay's economy.

The expedition found that the caves contain many ravines, gullies, underwater lakes, and pits. After some very disturbing encounters, the men found that a dangerous animal inhabits one of the deepest lakes. If there are more of these creatures, this will pose a serious problem for anyone trying to extract the minerals that the caverns contains. The nature of the creature is extremely hostile, and it is advised to never explore the caves without signed permission from the police and the accompaniment of adults trained in the use of weapons. Anyone who does explore the caves without these will do so bearing the weight of all of the proceeding consequences.

What sparks intense interest in these caves is their rich mineral wealth. If Farjay could find a way to get rid of the hostile creature, the mineral wealth of the caves would help our county's industry and boost our already-excellent economy.

There was much more that the expedition discovered, and a dinner will be held at the Hall to honor the bravery and daring of the men who explored the caverns. This dinner will be on the 30th at 6:00 PM. Those who wish to attend may. The men will be presenting their stories of the expedition in detail after dinner.

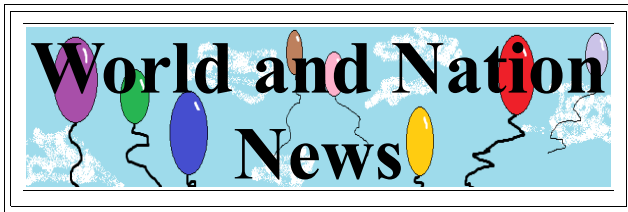
-Sarah Trotter

Quest Update

The Quest has been developing at an intense rate since July. The groups have been working in earnest to collect clues and solve them while at the same time trying to keep their discoveries from the rest. The groups have begun to be eliminated as the amount of each clue has been decreasing. Some of the groups which have been "eliminated" due to lack of clues have joined forces with some of the active groups. It appears as if each group is struggling to figure out the mysterious discovery of Velvet and George. So far, the Quest has been exceeding the expectations of Mr. Fairhaven. Everyone in and around Farjay has been waiting

in suspense for the completion of this interesting Hunting Quest.

-Sarah Trotter



Water Logged:

Flooding in Pear County

On the 8th of this month, the Fire Falls River flooded its banks due to a rather sudden temperature change. The area where the Fire Falls river is located is near the famous Gordon Pear Farms. They have had a hard time making sure that the pears trees do not get uprooted in the flooding. A total of 104 plants got uprooted in the first rush of water, and some buildings got decimated in the chaos that ensued. A total of ten lives were lost in this flood.

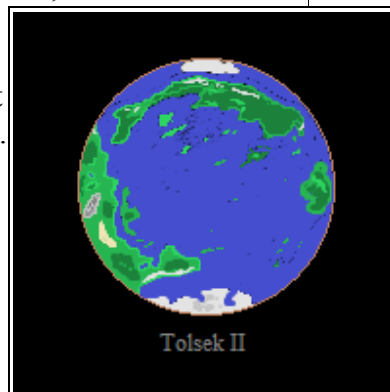
-William Burgs

Planetary Discovery:

Tolsek II

The Tolsek system was discovered by the unmanned drone F.C. *Ularo* on the 14th of January. The drone scanned all thirteen planets and did oxygen tests. The only planet capable of containing life in Tolsek system, is Tolsek II.

The *Ularo* is charting the planet, and taking pictures. On the 25th, the *Ularo* went down to the planet's surface. It is 23% water, and 77% land. It has a retrograde rotation and mild gravity issues. There are also forests and dozens of islands on this planet. Fred&Co. is thinking of making it be ready for colonization. The company will prepare a housing area, industrial center, and other necessary things.



A member of the Fred&Co. said, " Mr. Fir

has foreseen that there is going to be a rise in planet colonization. He has stated, ' I believe that we should get a head-start on the colonization race. We will colonize Tolsek II and set up a jump gate to the Tolsek system.

On February 23, the Fred&Co. Space Exploration Department will send an expedition to this planet.

-Fred&Co. Representative John Grot

Jethrick on the Moon

The Lunar Base has announced that they have found Jethrick, a valuable rare mineral that is used in high-tech equipment and space technology, on the Moon. The A.S.S.E. has begun drawing plans on how to mine this mineral for use.

-N.R.

Sudden Interest in Space Among the Nations of Animal

Until 2015, only England and Animalzania have been exploring and colonizing space; however, the astounding discovery of the coveted mineral Jethrick, used for space technology and high-tech equipment, on the Moon has sparked sudden interest in Russia and France.

Over the past decade, the space industry has been booming in the nations of England and Animalzania as they have been colonizing planets and discovering new technology.

Minerals and other important items have been passing to and from the colony planets and these nations, making these nations the most powerful and wealthiest in Animal.

However, Russia's announcement that they have successfully launched a space shuttle makes Animalzania and England not the only ones who are interested in space and its treasures. Russia has officially announced that they are trying to reach the

Moon to set up their own lunar base and to mine Jethrick. This has caused a stir among the Animalzanians and English as they are beginning to worry about the potential consequences of these actions.

France has also begun building up their space technology and hope to launch a space shuttle in 2016.

-Sarah Trotter

A.F.O. Cleared of Charges

The A.F.O. has been officially cleared by the Australian Supreme Court of the accusation that they had sanctioned the murder of John Green and Miss Peace. President Farcoff of the A.F.O. has been forced to resign.

-Sarah Trotter

Tickle Your Funny Bone

Q: Why did the king go to the dentist?

A: To get his teeth crowned!

Tongue Twister:

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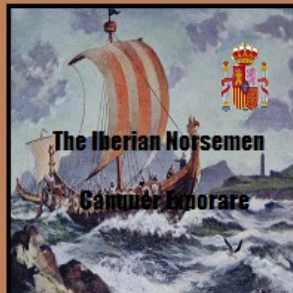
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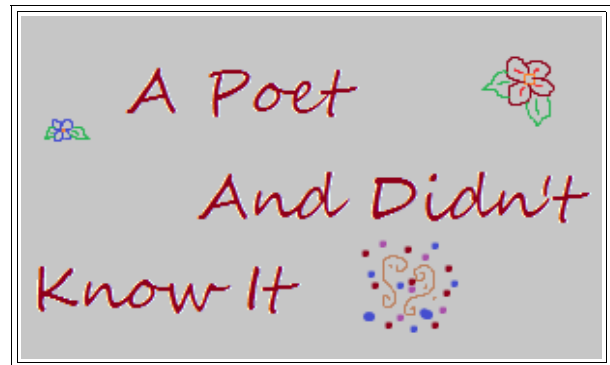
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A Poet

The Iberian Norsemen



We conquer, explorare.
Recruits are welcomed!
Join us in the fight!



"The Puzzle"

We sat across from each other
My life strewn out like pieces of a puzzle:
All chaos and dismay, between us on the table.
I looked in hopeless misery at it;
You, in confident mercy.

You asked if I needed Your help
To put it back together,
And I stubbornly refused:
"I can fix this mess myself!
Just You wait and see!"

I looked upon the mess in foolish self-
confidence.

The pieces were in no order;
Still I wouldn't head Your gentle request,
And I took the burden upon my broken back.

Long, I toiled over the pieces,
Only making the mess into distraction
While You, with tears in Your eyes, watched me
Toil and decline all aid from Your hand.

Finally, with a final sob
I at last gave in.
I handed the pieces over to You
And watched You fix it all.

Out of the distraction, You found order.
Out of the chaos, You brought peace.
Joyfully, I watched You
Put my life together, piece by piece.

We sat with my life
Put together like a complete puzzle
Between us. You with a smile looked at me,

And I only could look at it.

“I am sorry, Lord,” I said.
“I should have given it to You.
In my foolish arrogance, I only fell.
Forgive me, Lord,” I cried.

You looked at me with joy in Your face
And opened up Your arms.
You held me in them close, and
All I did was weep.

“Didn't I tell you to trust Me
And give me all your troubles?
You wouldn't have had to struggle so hard
If you only listened to Me.”

With tears welling up in my eyes,
I looked up at Your face.
“Help me not to do it again, Lord,”
I prayed.

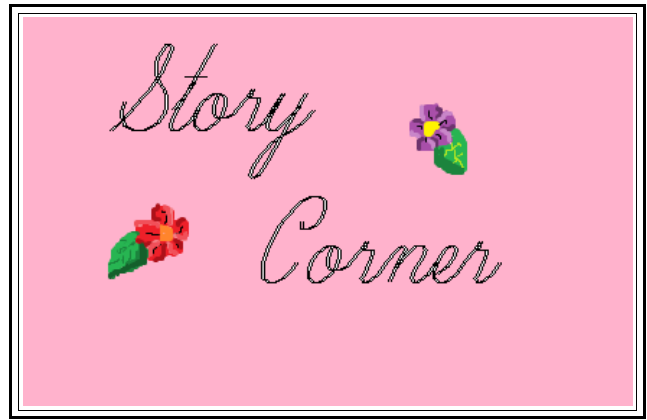
So we sat across from each other
My life between us both –
Only now it was I looking upon it
Watching joyfully as You put
Each piece in its proper place.
-Elyzabeth McDunn

“O God, My Help”

O God, my help,
My Comfort in distress,
Be Thou near me always
And from this sorrow raise.

O God of my soul,
Be Thou the one
Who makes me rest
And stand each test.

O Lord of my heart,
Nothing Thou canst not do,
Thank You for this promise.
-Elyzabeth McDunn



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Part 3

Someone has changed the Earth's rotation, and to Arthur's amazement it is his friend Beatrice. He has attempted to reason with her to stop the scheme for power, but will she listen to him...

Arthur began to walk his bicycle to the curb. He looked both ways: the street was full of residents staring fearfully and pointing at the sky while telling each other what they had seen the sun do. He got onto his bicycle and peddled up the street.

Would Beatrice listen to his advice and consider the questions that he had asked her? He knew she would – at least, he thought she would if the Beatrice he had known was still there. But would she act for good on his advice? He could not tell.

He felt that Beatrice – the Beatrice he knew – was still there, but suppressed by this fanatical desire to rule the world. Had not her voice faltered when she had threatened him, and her mind undecided?

He peddled as swiftly as he could without crashing up the almost empty highway. He was going to the town authorities. If he could convince them that this strange phenomenon was the work of a globe that was somehow psychologically attached to Beatrice, he might be able to get them on his side.

Arthur arrived at the town hall, chained his bicycle up, entered, and asked to see Thomas

K –, a friend of his who worked there. He would tell the story to Thomas who would believe it and help him convince the rest.

“Arthur!” exclaimed Thomas as Arthur entered. “It is good of you to come here now. The people have been panicked ever since these occurrences. I've lost count of the days! What do you think about all of this?”

“That is what I've come here to discuss with you, Thomas,” answered Arthur. “I know what happened or at least who did this.”

“Really?!”

“Yes...” He told Thomas everything that had happened at Beatrice's.

Leaning back in the leather armchair, Thomas listened, swiveling his chair slowly side to side. When Arthur had finished he asked, “And the mark on her arm was the same one on the globe?”

“Yes. Beatrice had taken off the light jacket that usually covers her arm. The mark on the globe was an exact copy of the one on her shoulder.”

“Interesting... It could be possible, but we need proof in order to explain it to the town officials – they would consider it a science fiction story!”

“It feels as if one were in a science fiction story. But, Thomas, we should at least present it to the rest of the officials.”

“I – well, we should. I just don't want them to consider me stupid or an incredible liar.”

“Of course, but they need to be told – to be warned,” urged Arthur.

“Ok, let's go,” said Thomas. He got to his feet, and so did Arthur – but all thoughts of leaving left their minds.

From the corner of the room emerged a shadowy figure who Arthur recognized as Beatrice, but it was not her. This Beatrice was a misty dark form without any substance. The form's dark eyes looked at the two men, and it opened its mouth.

“I am Beatrice L –,” began Beatrice's voice from the figure. “Humankind, I am the one who has changed Earth's rotation. What I demand is your allegiance as the sovereign of Earth. If you do not comply with my demand, I

shall change Earth's rotation again. You have forty-eight hours to consider my demand and to choose what you would prefer.”

The figure vanished like smoke, leaving the two men staring in alarm at one another.

Arthur sat heavily onto his chair and placed his head in his hands. He had raised his hopes that Beatrice would put aside this crazy desire for power, and now his hope was crumbled at its foundations.

“O what is this!?” he groaned aloud.

End of Part 3

Part 4 is coming next.



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For reading our newspaper!

We hope it has been a blessing!

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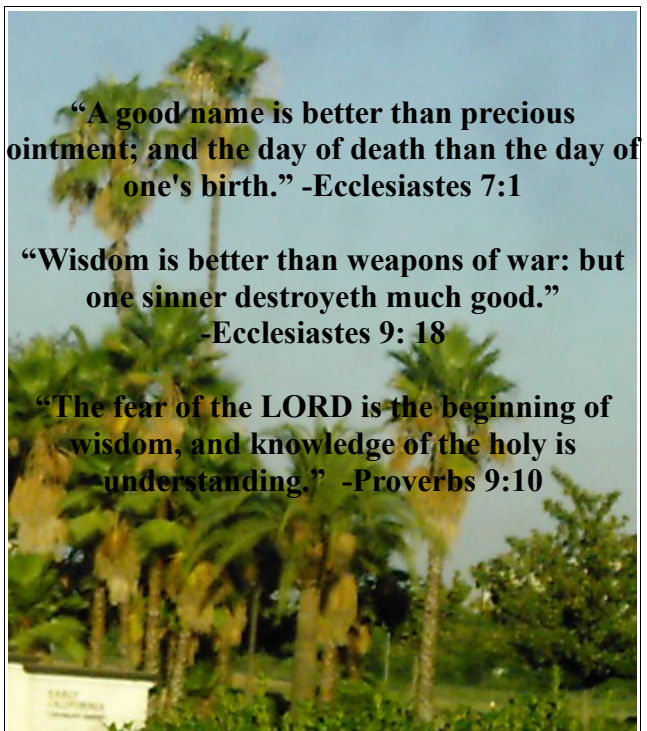
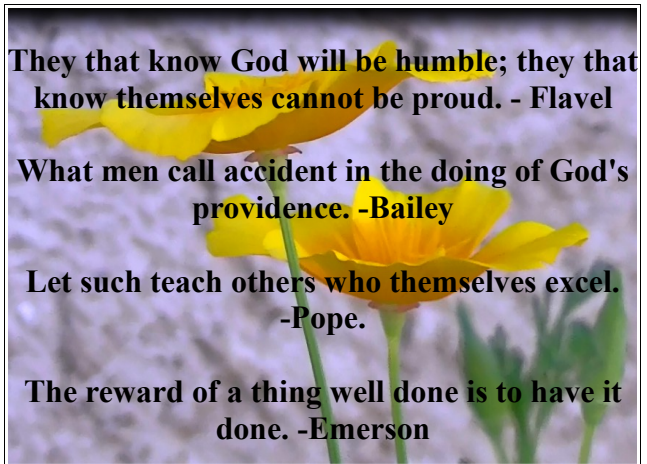
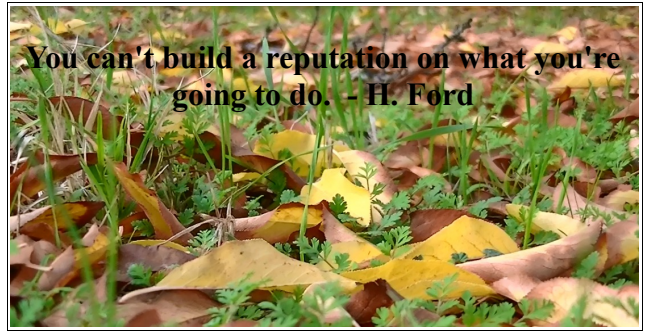
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