

## News of Interest

Mysterious Disappearance p. 3  
President Proposes Plan p. 3  
Speeches p. 7  
Robbery in London p. 3

## Bible Verses of the Month

“Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.”  
-Proverbs 14:34

## The President's Little Speech

Happy Fourth of July! Today we remember what makes our nation special, remember those who have fought and died for our nation that way we could be free, rejoice in how much God has blessed the United States of America, and pray that it will stand strong through trying years which might come.

On July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1776, the Declaration of Independence declared to the world that 13 colonies were no longer underneath British control but that they were free states. We fought the War for Independence and signed the Treaty of Paris in 1783. Our first President was George Washington, and our current President is Barack Obama.

God has blessed our nation immensely, and we pray that He will continue to bless this nation as it seems to be heading into rough times.

Our nation is the best nation on earth, for there is no other nation which has the freedoms we have. These freedoms are precious, and we must protect them. -Vice President Thomas Rose

**Burghs is ready to help, defend, and serve Pearl County!**

## *The Rights of Americans*

1. The right to worship God in one's own way.
2. The right to free speech and press.
3. The right to petition for grievances- in fair and honest judgment.
4. The right to privacy in our homes.
5. The right to own private property.
6. The right to own, keep, and bear arms.
7. The right to move about freely at home or abroad.
8. The right to habeas corpus- without excessive bail.
9. The right to trial by jury- innocent until proven guilty.
10. The right to free elections and personal secret ballots.
11. The right to the service of government as a protector and referee.
12. The right to freedom from arbitrary government regulation and control.
13. The right to work in callings and localities of our choice.
14. The right to bargain for goods in a free market.
15. The right to contract about our affairs.
16. The right to go to business, compete, and make a profit.

## Fourth of July Celebrations

On the Fourth there will be fireworks and a ball to celebrate our nation's birthday. Fireworks begin at 6:00 PM. The ball begins at 6:30 PM, and the dinner begins at 8:00 PM. A reading of the Constitution and many other memorable papers, documents, and poems will be read and recited.

On the eighth, there will be a reenactment of scenes from our nation's history. It will be at the Lake. Come at 6:00 AM.

The Fourth of July Parade will march through the main streets of Farjay beginning at the Hall at 6:00 AM and ending in the Cemetery for a memorial service at 11:00 AM. Please come.

Happy Fourth of July!

-Mr. Thomas Rose

## Farjay Seals Beat Green-backed Turtles

On the 16<sup>th</sup> of June, the Farjay Seals swam against the Green-backed Turtles and beat them in every competition! Hurray!



This month they are going against the neighboring cities, and, if they beat them, they will go to the national championship!

Go Farjay Seals!

-N.R.

## The Results of the Fire

The fire which ate up three miles of residential neighborhoods is currently being rebuilt by the victims and neighbors.

Please pray for their safety.

-N.R.

Mr. Fir

Mr. Fir will be out of the hospital next month. We are all very thankful that he is

# ~Town News~

healing splendidly and wish for continued prayers for his safety and well-being.

-N.R.

## Returned

The helping team sent by the Ladies' Aid returned with glad tidings because the cities are not only rebuilt but many of the citizens are now believers! Hurray!

The people of Animalville say thank you to all of the people of Pearl County for their sincere love and care.

-Mrs. Rose II

## Weddings

There were no weddings this month, but plenty of engagements!

-N.R.

## School

Next month is August and school begins on the fifth. Currently there are excellent deals on school supplies at various stores in town ranging from the Writer's Supply Shop, Amart, One Stop-One Store, to The Supply Shop.

Prepare your child for next year's schooling.

The school is now looking for teachers, professors, and parents who are willing to teach subjects and watch the children. Science teachers must know and practice science; business teachers must have been in the small business industry for many years (i.e. is you wish to teach a class, you must have experience in it.).

Thank you for your help! Happy Independence Day!

-Mrs. Rose II



## President Proposes Plan

Mr. Fir (the President) and his adviser, Vice President Thomas Rose, have written out a plan for the space escape plan. They have decided to allow a private business to undertake the important job of building, maintaining, and executing the Space Escape Plan. The plan includes taking the underground and underwater tunnels beneath Pearl County and using them as the place to store weapons, supplies, and space ships. The plans are getting underway and will be turned over to the business for further planning and then given to the President for approval. After that, the private business, Space Company, will begin building the plan.

The Museum has already sold more than half of the tunnels to the Space Company leaving one-fourth of the tunnels for tourist sites.

We are awaiting new developments.  
-N.R.

## Mysterious Disappearance

Last month, Mr. R. Alto wrote an article called "Habitable Planet Discovered". In that article, he stated that they had found in solar system MMDXV a planet named Tropicalla. The last paragraph said that another exploration crew would be sent.

The crew was sent on the last week of June. They arrived on the planet on the seventh, according to their transmissions, but the last transmission they sent was on the thirteenth. The mission's plans stated that they were to report every day, but it has been five days since the last report. What has happened to the crew is unknown and will be figured out. A.S.S.E. has sent a large crew (30 Animals) to the planet, and it should arrive on the twenty-fifth. They will report twice a day and search for the lost crew members: rescue them or find the cause of their disappearance and avenge them if they are dead.

All of the relatives of the missing crew are advised to bring as many pictures and descriptions of the crew that will aid the search

# National and World News

party.

Please pray for their safety and that of the missing crew. God bless them and give them success.

-A.S.S.E. Robert L. Klein

– the Secretary of Space Security

## Lunar Base

"All is well," wrote Animalnaut James Trust on the tenth to A.S.S.E. "The base is intact, and all final plans are being carried out. Lord willing, we should have the base ready for action by early August or late July."

-A.S.S.E.

## Robbery in London

Some daring thief has stolen the King of England's crown and has made off with it. The Royal Police are after the man, alias Jim Backer. He is a short, decidedly thin black bear who smokes a cigar, wears gold spectacles – the lenses are close together –, and has his right leg lamed (this information was received from the renowned Sherlock Homes it is purposefully spelled that way!).

All ports of Animalzania are currently on the look-out for Mr. Backer because he is thought to have boarded a ship. All Animals are advised to be on the lookout for a bear that matches this description, and if any one knows any information about Mr. Backer – his life, his real name, or his whereabouts etc. –, please do not hesitate to tell the police.

The Royal Police think he went to Liverpool, then went to Yarm, and boarded a ship heading for Pearl County.

The Royal police sent warnings of this to the President.

Again, please notify the police if you know anything about Mr. Backer.

Your help will be appreciated not only by the police, but by the King of England.

Thank you.

-Farjay Police Station

# Voting Rules

You *must* read this if you are a Member of Animalzania!


There are two ways for voting:

- (1) you call on the phone or
- (2) you mail in ballots.

If you wish to vote by phone, this is how you do it:

- (1) you call (559) 891- 1823 and say your name and that you would like to vote.
- (2) The person you are talking to will ask how many stuffed animals you have and ask who each animal wishes to vote for. Each animal may vote only *once* (rules have changed).
- (3) After voting, you hang up the phone and are done.

If you wish to vote by mail this is how you do it:

- (1) you cut out slips of paper which  will serve as the ballots.
- (2) You then have each stuffed animal vote in *this* format:

<b><u>Stuffed Animal's Name</u></b>
<b><u>Person he is voting for</u></b>

(3) you then fold each ballot in half and when voting is completed, you count each ballot and write down the results.

(4) Next you send the *results* and the ballots – only if you wish to – to 2315 Sequoia Street, Selma, CA 93662.

(5) If you are *not* a member, your votes will be *immediately* discarded because *only* Members of Animalzania can vote.

If you are a Member of Animalzania, please vote in August in the Primaries. The candidates are:

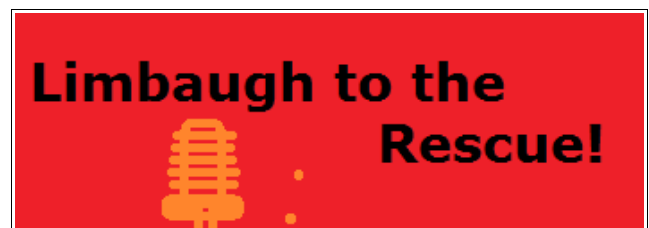
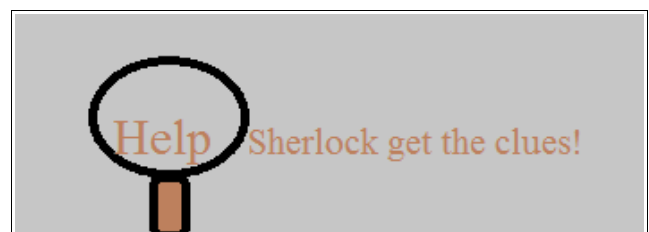
Mr. Fredrick Burghs – Conanimaltive  
Dr. Sherlock Holmes – Conanimaltive  
Richard Limbaugh – Animalibral  
Bob Baker – Animalibral  
Joseph H. Elwood – Conanimaltive  
Caleb Parker – Animalibral  
Dr. George Moreau – Conanimaltive

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask them by telling us either by calling:

559-801-1823

or writing to:

2315 Sequoia Street, Selma, CA 93662





### “Come Rally 'Round”

Bang! Zing! Pop!  
 The rockets go off:  
 Blue and red and yellow,  
 To celebrate my nation's birthday.

Bang! Remember the men who died  
 To give us the freedoms  
 Which make us unique.  
 Their blood which was shed  
 For our liberty – no price so great  
 Can be given.

Zing! Remember Those who fight  
 To maintain our liberties.  
 Who sacrifice for you and I  
 That we may live in peace.

Pop! Remember we who live,  
 That our freedoms are gained  
 With the blood of heroes,  
 That we must keep them, close  
 And dear, lest we lose them.

Bang! Zing! Pop!  
 Come rally 'round! Let's celebrate  
 Our blessed nation's birth.  
 Let's praise those who fight and  
 Remember those who fought!

Written by Courtney Riojas

### “In Flanders Fields”

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
 Between the crosses, row on row,  
 That mark our place; and in the sky  
 The larks still bravely singing, fly  
 Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
 We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
 Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
 In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
 To you from failing hands we throw  
 The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
 If ye break faith with us who die,  
 We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
 In Flanders fields.

Written by John McCrae

### “God Save The Flag”

Washed in the blood of the brave and the blooming,  
 Snatched from the altars of insolent foes,  
 Burning with star-fires, but never consuming,  
 Flash its broad ribbons of lily and rose.

Vainly the prophets of Baal would rend it,  
 Vainly his worshipers pray for its fall;  
 Thousands have died for it, millions defend it,  
 Emblem of justice and mercy to all.

Justice that reddens the sky with her terrors,  
 Mercy that comes with her white-handed  
 train,  
 Soothing all passions, redeeming all errors,  
 Sheathing the sabre and breaking the  
 chain.

Borne on the deluge of old usurpations,  
 Drifted our Ark o'er the desolate seas,  
 Bearing the rainbow of hope to the nations,  
 Torn from the storm cloud and flung to the  
 breeze.

God bless the flag and its loyal defenders,  
 While its broad folds o'er the battlefield  
 wave,  
 Till the dim star wreath rekindle its splendors,  
 Washed from its stains in the blood of the  
 brave!

Written by Oliver Wendell Holmes





Author: Elyzabeth McDunn  
Title: "A Tale of Valley Forge"  
Moral: Kindness and Duty

It was night. The only noise was the snores of sleeping men and the soft crunch of the sentries as they walked about in the snow in Valley Forge. Occasionally an owl would hoot, but nothing else would break the silence.

The troops of Washington were spending a lonely and harsh winter (1777-1778) in Valley Forge while the British were living in the warm homes of Philadelphia. Many of the men became ill, and many of the troops died before winter came to an end. Many were starving, and some had no shoes and left trails of blood from their feet in the snow.

Matthew J. Baker, a patriot from Virginia, was one of these troops. He shivered with cold as he drew his scanty blanket about him and wondered how soon spring would come.

"Here is something for you, Matthew," said a familiar voice in the darkness as the tent flap quietly opened.

A new, thick blanket was thrust into his hands, and Matthew gasped, "Thank you, General," as he spread it over himself.

"Your welcome. Good night." The tent flap quietly closed leaving the young man in silence that was only broken by the man sleeping next to him.

"The General is so kind," murmured the soldier as he put half of the blanket around his companion and half around himself. He shut his eyes and went to sleep.

A few weeks passed. The lad's patience was sorely tested as his stomach growled without relief, his new blanket lost its warmth, and as

many of his friends died or deserted the army.

He often felt like giving up, but he continued to remain in Valley Forge. One night, he couldn't stand it any longer. He was on sentry duty, and he felt that if he would just run away now, no one would see him. He took one step away from the camp. He looked back. There in the dim moonlight were the dark shapes of tents and he knew there lay sleeping men who were depending on his vigilance to protect them and warn them of danger. He took one more step, and looked back. He all of a sudden started in surprise and guilt.

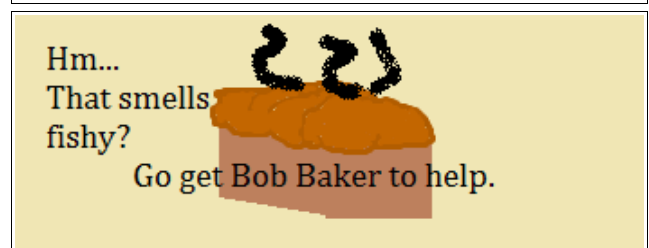
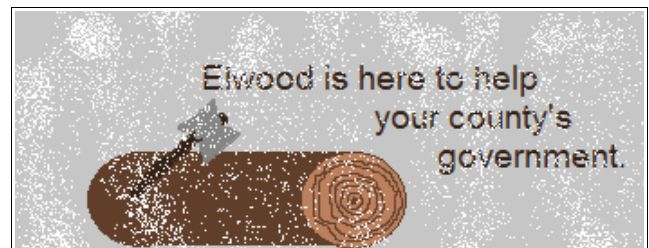
Far off in the woods on the opposite side, he saw the friendly glow of a lamp, and the kneeling figure of his commander, praying in the snow.

Matthew started and suddenly went back to his spot. Why should he desert? He would be a coward! There was his General, kneeling in the cold snow, praying for the men in the tents, for the sentries on duty, for the war, and he was praying for him – Matthew Baker.

"I will not leave my post," murmured Matthew as he stooped over his small fire and warmed his hands. Long into the night, Matthew stood, watching and listening for any noises in the forest till the next sentry came to take his place.

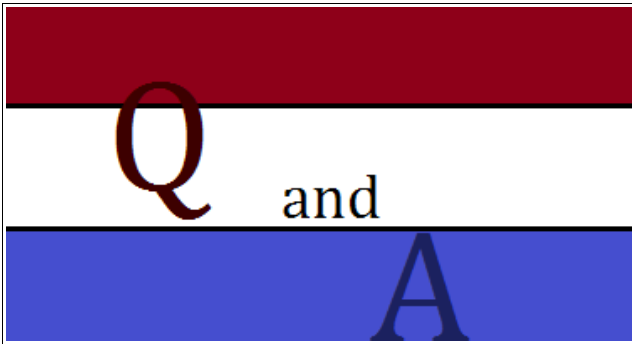
As he stumbled back to his tent, the figure of the General came up to him. "I am glad you have decided to remain at your post, Matthew," he said as he passed him. "Good night."

Matthew looked back and replied, "Good night, General Washington. Thank you."



# Speeches

**Mr. Fredrick Burghs – Conanimaltive**  
**Dr. Sherlock Holmes – Conanimaltive**  
**Richard Limbaugh – Animalibral**  
**Bob Baker – Animalibral**  
**Joseph H. Elwood – Conanimaltive**  
**Caleb Parker – Animalibral**  
**Dr. George Moreau – Conanimaltive**



## 1. What do you believe will continue to help promote jobs in Pearl County?

**Dr. Holmes:** Lower taxes and encouraging entrepreneurs, shall help.

**Mr. Limbaugh:** Raising taxes probably will.

**Mr. Burghs:** Low taxes, and getting a strong economy.

**Mr. Baker:** I want taxes and welfare here.

**Mr. Elwood:** I believe that lowering taxes is excellent, but also getting rid of jobs in the government that can be more easily done by the private sector.

**Mr. Parker:** I believe that raising taxes will give more money to people and make them wish to create new businesses.

**Dr. Moreau:** I agree with Mr. Elwood.

## 2. What do you think about the Space Escape Plan? Is it a good idea to give to a small business such a task?

**Dr. Holmes:** Excellent idea but, it could be tough for small business to do so because of the cost.

**Mr. Limbaugh:** Not good, expensive, wasteful and useless.

**Mr. Burghs:** Good idea It would be good for the wealthy small business.

**Mr. Baker:** Good the plan is useful for us a big company is better.

**Mr. Elwood:** I believe that the government should not control the S.E.P., but it is unwise to allow a business like the Space Co. to undertake such a backbreaking job. Why not the A.S.S.E.?

**Mr. Parker:** I believe that the government should built, maintain, and control the S.E.P., and the businesses should not have anything to do with it. Anyways, it is a County Escape Plan.

**Dr. Moreau:** I understand the reasoning for Mr. Fir and Mr. T. Rose to wish a small business to do the S.E.P., but a thing like this needs more thought, and I believe that the A.S.S.E. should do this.

## 3. Do you believe that the House should increase a President's term to two years and why or why not?

**Dr. Holmes:** It would allow us to not have to come here too often, but on second thought, it would give him too much power

**Mr. Limbaugh:** Nice long time in office would be excellent, and it would help citizens, too

**Mr. Burghs:** Interesting idea but not useful for the People if it gets in bad hands.

**Mr. Baker:** Nice long time in office would be excellent. It would be nice for the citizens to not vote every year.

**Mr. Elwood:** I do not think two years in office would be right. Too much temptations.

**Mr. Parker:** A two year term would give a President more time to complete all of the promises he has give to the people.

**Dr. Moreau:** What are the good points:  
(1)don't vote every year, (2)more time to fulfill promises

What are the bad:

(1)the President has more time to corrupt the government if he is bad, (2)he gets more power.

My answer is certainly, no.



We hope it has been a blessing to you!

**Illustrator:** Courtney Riojas

**Reporters:** Elysabeth McDunn and William Burghs

**Printers:** Mr. Riojas and Courtney Riojas

**Editors:** Courtney Riojas and Mrs. Riojas

If you would like to become a member, have a question or comment, or want to send in a fiction article, story (one with morals), or poem to the newspaper, please email:

courtney.riojas@riverleaves.org

[www.riverleaves.org/AT](http://www.riverleaves.org/AT)



Note from the Editor: I found that in June's 2013 ed. That we had switched the party name of Caleb Parker. We apologize for that.

*\*Removed address and phone number; fixed formatting issues.*