



Animalzanian Times

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The President's Little Speech

Everyone loves summer time, but if we aren't careful, we can get into an everything's-about-me attitude which is sinful. We must remember to love and serve each other even during recreational time. Serving others brings a happiness which getting never gives to people. Because we love Jesus, we want to help, be kind, and love other Christians and unbelievers. Summer time is a great time to serve others and share the Gospel.

Summer Reading Contest

We are having a Summer Reading Contest this summer! If you would like to join, here are the rules and requirements:

Rules:

(1) You must read a book which is not a *baby* book (i.e. you read a book like *Charlotte's Web* by E. B. White, *Oliver Twist* by Charles Dickens, etc.)

(2) You must send the reading record (will be explained later) by September 1st.

(3) You can read!

What to do:

(1) Find a book, read it, and record the following information about the book:

~Title of the Book: _____

Bible Verses of the Month

“Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.”

-Ecclesiastes 9:10

“Whether therefore, ye eat or drink or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.”

-1 Corinthians 10:19

“For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work neither should he eat. For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies.”

-2 Thess. 3 10-11

~Author's Name: _____

~Number of Pages: _____

~Date Completed: _____

(2) You then send it to:

2315 Sequoia Street, Selma, CA 93662 by
September 1st.

Begin Date: June 30th

End Date: September 1st

The winners will be in the categories:
Most *pages* read, and Most *books* read.

We are delighted to see you in the contest. Begin reading! Thank you!

-Courtney Riojas



Town News

Second Anniversary of the Printed Newspaper

In 2011, we began printing our newspaper and sending it to people. God has now allowed us to use the Internet as a way of sending the *Animalzanian Times* to people now. We still continue printing out copies for those who are unable to print it for themselves. We are thankful for everything God has done for us this year with the *Animalzanian Times* and hope it has been a blessing in your lives. Thank you for reading it!

-Courtney Riojas

Joshua Circus

The Joshua Circus has arrived in town for the month. They will be having a show every Thursday until the 20th.

-Mr. James Russel

Summer Concerts

Every Saturday evening beginning at six, the Farjay Orchestra will be holding a concert for the public in Rose Park under the gazebo. The concert is free and lovers of music are encouraged to come.

Please bring blankets and small snacks or lunches if you come.

-Elyzabeth McDunn

Bookworm Library

The Bookworm Library has opened a story club which meets every Monday at six in the morning starting June 1st. If you are interested in writing stories, poems, or essays or wish to improve your skills, come and join the club.

-Bern Galvin

Summer Bible Club

We are having a Summer Bible Club at the Park every Monday until July 29th at the Rose Park for Animals under the age of twelve. Come at 10am. Please bring your Bibles.

-Mrs. Kiln

Fire

On the 4th, a young lad noticed that his house in southern Farjay was on fire, and ran off to warn the firemen. As he was gone, the fire burned some oil which not only fueled the fire but made it spread to the other houses. When he returned with the firemen, the entire block was in flames. Despite their efforts, three miles of residential neighborhoods were burned down.

Many of the victims are being sheltered at the church and some are in people's homes. About three people died, and ten are slightly scorched.

We can be thankful that the firemen stopped the fire before it reached the magazines (the place where the people of Farjay keep gun powder).

-Miss Elyzabeth McDunn

Mr. Fir Remains in the Hospital

Sadly, the President has to remain in the hospital for a few months due to his catching pneumonia on the 1st. Vice President Thomas Rose is taking his place as President while he is sick.

Please pray for their safety.

-Mr. John Rose

Swim Teams

The Farjay Seals have begun to race with other swim teams. Last week, they beat the Hampton Jellyfish, and this week, they are going against the Green Turtle-backers.

Please join them at the lake to cheer them on!

-Mrs. John Hands

Helping Hand Society

The children of Farjay have formed a summer society to help and witness to the needy and sick children and families in Farjay.

They meet every Wednesday evening at Mrs. Jenny Norman's house on 234 Windsor Lane.

If you would like to come, please bring some sewing supplies, knitting, or painting supplies. Thank you.

-Mrs. Norman

Summer Camps

The camps in The Magical Charm Forest and the beach are now open. It is \$20 for a camp site at the Charm Forest for a week and \$100 for a month. At the beach it is \$10 for a week and \$40 for a month.

Come!

-Mr. Tootles

Earthquake

Animalville County which was hit by an earthquake in May is recovering. The cities are beginning to be rebuilt and should be completed by November.

The Animals, who lost their homes in the disaster, are doing well.

The help team, which the Ladies' Aid sent out, has had excellent reports. At least 100 Animals have been saved, and many are being witnessed to. Please pray for them as they tend the sick, dying, and living.

-Mrs. Night

Weddings

We had one wedding this month. Harry Sam Bee and June Lily Summers are now married. May God grant them a wonderful life! Congratulations!

-Kim Leaf

World News

Bill Rejected

The animalibrals' bill was rejected by the House on the 14th. It was rejected due to the reason it would give the Presidents more power because it increases the term to two years instead of one. The animalibrals weren't too happy and are planning to introduce another bill.

-Vice President Thomas Rose

Pear County

In the December 2012 newspaper, we reported that Pear County was stable. The county is certainly doing much better than it was before, praise God!

The whole reason why the king had to kick out the former President and take control of the county until another President was chosen was not explained clearly, and we will now explain the reason.

The Constitution of the United Counties of Animalzania states that it is against the law for the President or king to take absolute control over the entire county or nation. The President of Pear County happened to do this thing because he decided to take control of the county and people by making himself a literal Communist dictator. This lasted for about two months before word was sent to the king.

The king arrived and kicked the President out of office, and while the elections were going on, fixed many of the problems in the government by removing bad programs and officials. Mr. Harry James Lincoln is running for a second term (their constitution is different from Pearl County's), and the people seem to be in his favor according to the polls.

That explains the reasons for the removal of the former President of Pear County.

-William Burghs

Space Escape Plan

The Space Escape Plan which had been sent to the King for approval (Dec. 2012) has

now been accepted with some words of advice from the king. He said, "It would be best for each county to make their own escape plans rather than the king – lest I take too much control over it. They would plan how they would do the escape, but each county would have to have the same planet as their destination. The A.S.S.E. should begin searching for a suitable planet which can be prepared for such a disaster."

The Animalzanian Scientific Space Exploration Center is searching for the right planet, and each county is beginning to plan their escape plans.

Mr. Thomas Rose and Mr. Fir have discussed this and have thought of using the underground tunnels beneath Pearl County in the plan.

-Mr. Sol Latido

Habitable Planet Discovered

A solar system containing five planets – three gaseous and two rock – has been found by one of the A.S.S.E.'s exploration teams. The solar system is called MMDXV. It has one habitable planet which the team named Tropicalla due to its moist climate. The planet has the right amounts of gases and plenty of water to support life. Many plants and vine-like trees grow there, and the animals are cat-like.

These cat-like creatures are very gentle and seem to be the people of the planet, for they can talk and have weird hut-like structures that resemble enormous beehives.

A.S.S.E. Is sending another team to explore the planet.

-Mr. R. Alto

Iceburg Motor Company

Iceberg's Motor Company has been receiving booming business.

Because his car is made of cheaper material – he won't tell the reporter what the materials are –, his cars are being bought up like crazy. His secret comes from the Humans of Earth.

-Mrs. Ginger Fir (Gingersnap Rose)

Tickle Your Funny Bone

Question: On which side does a chicken have feathers?

Answer: On the outside!

Real Animal News

(This is *real* news!)

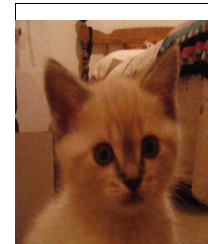
Sebastian and the Kittens!

We have decided to keep four of the adorable kittens (Alissa went to our neighbor), and now we have five cats in our house!

-Courtney and Josiah

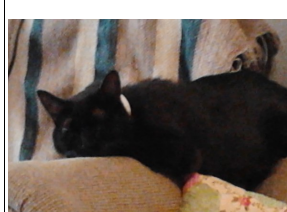


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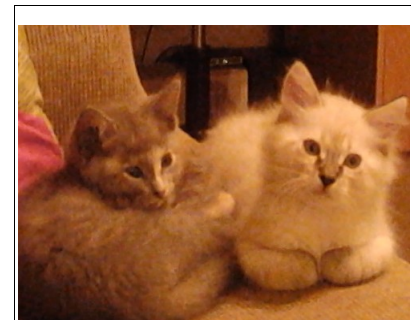


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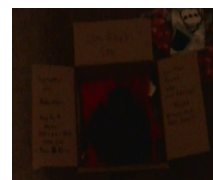
Ashley



Sebastian



Phoebe and Bear-bear



Little Black One – R.I.P.



The Lunar Base's parts had been sent to the moon, and when we, the crew, arrived, it was almost completed. The robots had put everything together, and all the base needed was the furniture and other necessities which Animals live with.

When everything was ready, the base looked more homey. Outside the base, there was the grey, stone surface of the moon, covered with craters and rugged mountains. Off in space, we could see the blue planet Animal. The sight gave us a homesick feeling.

Work at the base is rather simple: working on the launch and docking pads, checking the air and machines in the base, exploring, and preparing to become a space "port".

It is rather fun, and we adventure all over the moon – that is when we can afford to use that much oxygen. Our greenhouse plants on the base died soon after we arrived, so we are very impatient for the supply ships to arrive and bring us more oxygen and plants.

Otherwise, as I said before, it is great.

Our first adventure outside proved to be disastrous, for one of the crew forgot to check his compass and ended up getting lost in the middle of nowhere while the rest of us were hunting around in every direction but the right one. We ended up finding him as we returned to base.

Michel said as we walked, "Hey! What's that silvery thing over on that ridge!"

I cried, "It's Matt!"

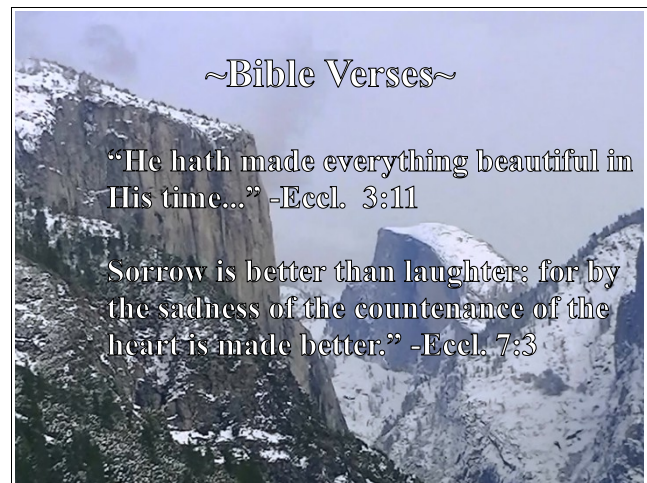
And we all rushed up the ridge and rescued him. Upon asking him why he got lost, he replied, "I had decided to go and climb that mountain, but when I reached the ridge, I looked back and couldn't find the base and you all. So, I

sat here waiting for you to find me."

We looked around, and sure enough we couldn't see the base, and we sat there until sunset trying to signal to base – our radio wasn't working right.

Just when we were about to give up, a robot returning from the mines passed us and signaled for us to follow him back to base.

We got back perfectly fine, and I made a map of the moon in less than a week so that an event like that would not happen again.





This is a fun, fictitious poem which I wrote:

“Until I Return – Farewell to You All”

My time has come
To take the trail
That I must walk.
The path with many bends
Meanders where I know not.

Many dangers I must overcome:
Darkness in the deep woods,
Snow in the mountain passes,
And times of great distress.

But all these tribulations,
I will endure with joy
For in the passing winds
Grasses will nod to me, and
Across the hills and plains,
Breezes will blow by me.

Under the starry sky,
At night, I'll pitch my tent,
Sing softly to myself
Of where the sun went.

The rain and snow
May fall upon my way,
But I won't mind
Because there's glory to be gained,
Along the way.

Soon the trail
Will come to a bend, and

I'll be heading home
With glory in the end.

I'll have had my adventures,
And my toils will be over.
Though they'll be brought to life
Again around a crackling fire.

So I will joyously travel
As the trail meanders on
And sing softly to the wind
A gentle summer song.

Until I return – farewell
To you all!
I'm following the trail now.
I'll be gone for a season,
But I'll be back
In body or in spirit
And will whistle my
Adventures, alive or through the wind.

Here is a more funny poem:

“Upside Down”

When upside down,
Things churn around.
You walk in the air,
And the sky is the ground.
You never think of how
The world is mixed –
But no one would be that way!

“Joy”

Joy is like the birds' joyful praise
To the Lord.
Joy is like getting a letter
On the roughest days.
Joy springs up like a fountain.
God gives us the Joy of the Lord!

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Speeches

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

July's Speech

A speech about your ideas for Pearl County and your platforms. *Due on July 31st.*

Dr. Sherlock Holmes
(Josiah Riojas)
Conanimaltive

Dear ladies and gentlemen, I shall comment on Dr. George Moreau's beautiful speech:

(1) I do believe he is as sweet as honey in his speech, BUT rather deceptive in his talk.

(2) His words, "Shall serve my dear country", I think are rather false. I believe his opinion of "serve his country" is the following: He wants our county, our King, our nation, to become Communist and sink in communism. I am not joking. I am very serious. Let the LORD Jehovah bless Animalzania!!!

Mr. Fredrick Burghs
(Josiah Riojas)
Conanimaltive

I do wish to comment, ladies and gentlemen, on one speech. I will comment on Mr. Parker's speech.

He is rather vague in his, "Promote the general well being of Pearl County." RATHER vague right ! He probably meant I want Communism. It is the opposite of our country; it is more like Russia. Thank you so much for letting me speak.

Bob Baker
(Josiah Riojas)
Conanimaltive

I want to comment on MY SPEECH. I'm very smart. Sherlock is very stupid. Cumunist Russia did not sink; it rose. We sink in our capitalistic country. Goodbye! ^{mu ha ha ha !!!!}

Dr. George Moreau
(Courtney Riojas)
Animalibral

Good morning, fair ladies and gentlemen! I might be mixing up the rules because I am commenting on all of my opponent's speeches – including Richard Limbaugh's.

To begin, Dr. Sherlock Holmes – a very impressive name – your last platform was rather vague for you said: "... and serve the Animal-zanians of Pearl County." What do you mean by 'serve'? In your next speech, I am sure you will explain what you mean exactly. Other than that, I will assure you, your speech was terrific!

Mr. Fredrick Burghs' speech was way too simple, for he only repeated the preamble to our Constitution without explaining what he means by that. Way too simple, Fredrick!

Now, for you, Mr. Limbaugh! Your speech was just too short and what one would expect from a young Animalibral. I happened to catch a little 'not' at the beginning of: "...provide for the common defense." You had better do much better next time and be more specific.

Bob Baker, your speech is more Animalibral than Conanimaltive. Your disarmament of the countymen and the 'keep this county well in check' are suspicious. So I would suggest your changing your party name.

Mr. Elwood, my dear boy, your speech had everything Conanimaltive about it from the words to the ideas. Excellent job! Though I would suggest you to encourage the President of Greenland County to promote Bible reading and prayer (that county doesn't have too great of an education system and Greenland County in notorious for its very dumb students) rather than in Pearl County – though I would say to do both.

Anyways, excellent job!

Caleb Parker, you have the same problem as Dr. Holmes. Your words: "...promote the general well-being of Pearl County...", are obscure, and you must fix that problem or else people will worry about what you mean. Also, how will you increase job opportunities? Just some helpful hints, Parker.

As for my speech, I meant the words: "serve my county to the best of my ability" as saying: "No matter what happens as I am President, I will help, serve, and protect my county and fellow men as much as I can."

Thank you for your attention. Good day.

Mr. Caleb Parker

(Courtney Riojas)

Conanimaltive

Thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for letting me speak. I will comment on Dr. Moreau's speech.

His speech sounded far too Conanimaltive than Animalibral, and he was so convincing I was almost ready to vote for him. What I'd like to know is: who he is – a Conanimaltive or an Animalibral? Will he announce himself as an Animalibral and not speak in disguise any more, or will he change his party name so that it matches his platform's ideas?

Thank you.

Mr. Joseph H. Elwood

(Courtney Riojas)

Conanimaltive

Good day, ladies and gentlemen. God has blessed us with a wonderful morning!

Mr. Richard Limbaugh's speech is an excellent example of an Animalibral, for he has promised to "ensure domestic tranquility" and *not* provide for the defense of our county and nation. If you happen to be considering this man as your candidate, please rethink your decision. When he is in office, he will begin signing legislation which will diminish your rights as Animalzanians, and you will regret your choice forever. Animalzanians, do not vote for Mr.

Limbaugh in the Primaries or in the final election! Beware!

Thank you!

Mr. Richard Limbaugh

(Josiah Riojas)

Animalibral

He was unable to write his speech due to a cold.



We hope it has been a blessing to you!

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Next Month's is coming...

**Removed the address and phone number; fixed Little Black One's description; fixed a formatting issue.*