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# As The Toilet Turns



A typical day at the Junior High School



## Wet Floor!

At one of our schools last year, the lunchroom had to be spot-mopped after school for early use by a group. Several bright yellow "Caution-Wet Floor" signs were set up. A student stopped and asked, "Do you really have to put those signs out? Can't people see that the floor is wet?" The custodian explained that some people don't pay attention and could slip and get hurt! Even with the signs up some people still walk on it. The student said, "Are they really that dumb?!" Then he left.

A few minutes later as the custodian was mopping, he noticed feet coming across the wet floor! He looked up to warn them that the floor was still wet and to his surprise, he saw that it was a district administrator!! Need we say more?!

### November Meetings

1. Consensus meeting 11-5 @ 8:30 a.m. at Support Services.
2. Training Committee meeting 11-8 @ 1:00 p.m. in the High School custodial office.

## Happy Retirement!!

For over 19 years, the Tahoma School District has had among its' ranks Allen Petchnick who currently works as a Head Custodian at the Cedar River Middle School. He started working for the district as a custodian on February 3, 1983. He will be retiring on October 31, 2002.

Allen is a well-known and energetic individual who says that the custodial and maintenance staffs that he's worked with "have been really good to me." As well as custodial work, Allen also worked as a mechanic from October 1968-1970.

Allen's words of wisdom as he retires are "learn the day shift job if you want to have a day job!" Allen's years with the district and subsequent retirement will be noticed by all.

We wish him the best in the future and a happy retirement.

## Congratulations Allen!!



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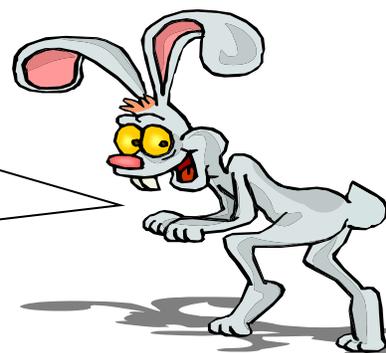
1. Veteran's Day—11/11
2. Thanksgiving—11/28, 29

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## Page Two

Smile  
Be Happy!!



### October's Synaptical Silliness Answer

This puzzle is usually attributed to Einstein, who may or may not have written it. The German owns the fish and the table below details the full answer:

<b>Nationality:</b>	<i>Norweg</i>	<i>Dane</i>	<i>Brit</i>	<i>German</i>	<i>Swede</i>
<b>Colour :</b>	Yellow	Blue	Red	Green	White
<b>Beverage :</b>	water	tea	milk	coffee	beer
<b>Smokes :</b>	Dunhill	Blend	PallMall	Prince	BlueMaster
<b>Pet :</b>	cats	horses	birds	fish	dogs

[Ref:ZHVK]

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### Synaptical Silliness

A customer at a 7-11 store selected four items to buy, and was told that the cost was \$7.11. He was curious that the cost was the same as the store name, so he inquired as to how the figure was derived. The clerk said that he had simply multiplied the prices of the four individual items. The customer protested that the four prices should have been ADDED, not MULTIPLIED. The clerk said that that was OK with him, but, the result was still the same: exactly \$7.11. What were the four prices?

[Ref: ZI WV]

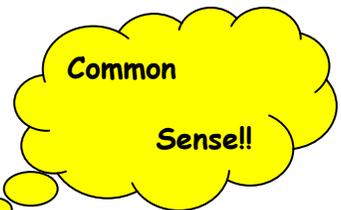
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{Watch for the answer in the December issue or go to the web-site above.}

### Did You Know??

According to Michelle Walsh, A professional organizer, just "15 minutes a day will keep a desk organized."

(The Seattle Times 9-1-02 Section L1.)



1. NEVER use carpet blowers as hair dryers.
2. DO NOT use the same water you clean toilets with to clean drinking fountains.
3. Although tempting, DO NOT attempt laser eye surgery with a scanner.
4. ALWAYS clean out corners BEFORE waxing floors.
5. DO NOT use bleach straight or mix it with ammonia!

### November 4th

#### Injections!

Don't forget that the first flu shot clinic is on Monday, November 4th in the Central Services Boardroom from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Refer to your e-mail from Michelle Zaleski dated 10-14-02 for more details.

