

The Origin of Northwestern University's Motto

BY BRIAN WEINBERG

In 1848, the United States won a great victory over the Centralist Republic of Mexico in what has become known as the Mexican-American War. As a result of this win, the United States claimed California, Nevada, Utah, New Mexico, Arizona, Texas, Colorado and the world's largest pistachio nut. John Evans, Northwestern University's founder and Evanston's namesake, realized the benefits of this new territory almost immediately – the United States now had land on which to grow avocados.

Evans, then governor of Colorado, knew the land well and recognized that it was ripe for growing avocados and, thus, making the great avocado by-product of guacamole. He immediately



had massive avocado farms established in Southern California and began locally marketing guacamole as an "organic superfood." Frontiersman could not get enough guacamole, with one farmer writing that he did not

know how something that "looked like horse shit on a bad day could taste so good."

In 1851, Evans united with prominent Chicagoans to found Northwestern University, so named because it served the Northwest Territory. When coming up with a motto, John Evans quickly won over the other

founders with an all-powerful statement. Paying homage to his new business out West, Evans ensured that Northwestern's motto would forever be Guacamole Sunt Vera, which roughly translates to "Guacamole is Truth."

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BY BRIAN VILLANUEVA

By Milton Preston, United States Secretary of Problem Solving

As Secretary of Problem Solving, I face difficult challenges every day. It is my job to use my superior mind to solve any situation facing the world at any given moment. I gained prominence several years ago when I was tasked with designing a system to safely apprehend a vicious tiger that had escaped from a zoo and was terrorizing local neighborhoods. I scoffed at everyone's dumbfounded reactions to the event. The obvious solution was to build a tall fence around the

area where the tiger was roaming. Problem solving like that is what helped me catch the eye of the president when he needed to appoint a new Secretary.

Presently, the world is confronting even more turmoil than that tiger-stricken neighborhood. The entire southern half of California is ablaze, while on the other side of the world, much of Serbia, Croatia, and Bosnia struggle with heavy floods. These two natural disasters have caused multiple deaths and forced thousands of people to evacuate to safety. I have spent many hours pondering solutions to these problems and I believe I have finally reached a solution to both crises.

On one side of the world, we have excessive water. On the other side, there are large flames. Why are we not combining these problems? Water puts out fire, right? If we form a huge bucket chain we can bail out the Balkans while extinguishing the California blazes. I understand the buckets would have to cross an ocean, but everyone could tread water while they pass the buckets across. It's okay if a little bit of water spills, because they can just refill the bucket from the ocean.



Once I've solved the fires and floods, I'm planning to move on to tackling bigger problems facing America. For example, why can't Solange and Jay-Z get along?

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Titonka's Travel Expert: Big City Still Too Big

BY BRIAN VILLANUEVA

By Jean Sherman, Travel Expert

This past week, I used some of my precious vacation hours to take a well-earned break from my job at Steve's Bait Shop and Café. My husband, Dale, and I ventured to Chicago for some adventures in the city. This holiday was full of R&R, as long as that stands for "rage and resentment."



City-folk just don't understand what makes life enjoyable. Everywhere we looked there were signs for world-class museums, high-end shopping, and gourmet restaurants. We couldn't even escape it in our hotel: They kept offering us massages, spa treatments, and access to the hot tub. Look, if you want to really treat me, give me some real entertainment, like some nice line dancing or a Friday night Rick White and the Raggedy Band concert down

at the Rotary.

And the people! There were people everywhere and none of them wanted to talk! When I go up the road to Titonka Tea and Tires, I know I can ask ol' Maureen about her husband Glenn's bunion while she takes my order. In the city, you can't even ask your waitress if she's married without causing a ruckus.

My biggest problem with our trip was the lack of edible food in that God-forsaken urban wasteland. Our first night we went to the restaurant in our hotel. The waiter told us the special of the night was Mahi-Mahi, but I just wanted fish. Finally we asked him to bring us whatever was most popular there. He brought us an appetizer that he called "Eddie-Mommy" and said all the other diners loved it. I

looked over at Dale and said, "By the stars, he's trying to feed us soybeans!" So we left right then and there.

Look, folks. Take it from me, Titonka's resident travel expert. The big city is just too darn big. Leave the "high life" to all the sheeple who don't know what life really should be. If you want a real vacation, head on over to Waubesa for the Masonic Lodge's Friday Night All-You-Can-Eat Fried Walleye.

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Titonka's Police Blotter – May 22-28, 2014

BY BRIAN ORTEGA

May 22, 2014

7:13 pm Arlene Fry, 72, called police Wednesday evening regarding a dispute over the volume of a neighbor's television set. Both parties were apprehended and the volume was adjusted accordingly.

10:22 pm Jerry Lang, 57, reported a strange noise coming from outside his window late Thursday night. Police found a gang of squirrels were responsible for the incident.

May 24, 2014

9:32 am A razor scooter was found unaccompanied outside the pubic library without a

lock. It has been impounded at the police station until further notice.

1:47 pm Jenny Collins, 9, has reported her personal scooter as missing. Investigation is ongoing.

10:08 pm The Titonka Fire Dept. was called to George, 64, and Helen, 62, Reynolds' home late Saturday evening to extinguish a small fire in the couple's backyard. The fire is thought to have been set by misguided youths.

May 25, 2014

8:22 am Daphne Dodd, 35, and Muriel Singer, 88, were involved in a low-speed automo-

bile collision at Grape St. and 2nd Ave. on Sunday morning when Singer failed to yield at the stop sign on Grape. Singer refused to recognize the authority of the officer called to the scene, claiming he never listened in class when she was his third grade teacher in 1987. Singer was taken into police custody, and was released Tuesday evening.

May 27, 2014

11:25 am Officers investigated an offensive smell coming from the teacher's lounge at Woodgreen Elementary School. The smell was found to be expired milk, and was disposed of following proper protocol.

3:13 pm Al Hudson, 65, reported 3 hammers, 6 drill bits, and 25 feet of cable as stolen from "Al's Hardware Store" on the 400 block of Blossom Way.

4:45 pm Al Hudson, 65, remembered where he put one of the drill bits, so now it's only 5 that are missing.

May 28, 2014

8:13 pm Betty June Campbell, 68, was given a citation Wednesday evening for threatening to assault a police officer with her walking cane. The police officer was her son, John Campbell, 37, and was found to be "being a gosh darn nuisance" at the time of the incident.

Northwestern to Host Swedish Pop Star 2 Chainz on Dillo Day

BY BRIAN ORTEGA

EVANSTON — Last Tuesday, Mayfest announced that artist 2 Chainz will be the headliner for Dillo Day. The much-anticipated announcement was received well by students who were excited about the opportunity to see an internationally recognized artist. Chainz (née Thorston Ekström) has traveled around the world performing his critically acclaimed style of eclectic folk music.

Originally from Fackhögskola Garden, Sweden, Chainz has been popular in America since the early 90's. Chainz is famous for his experimental lyrical style that has been described by many music critics as "similar to the sound of 1000 rubber bands being

stretched out at the same time." Chainz boasts a broad repertoire, with songs ranging from environmentally friendly dance beats to power ballads inspired by Swedish folk tales. His most famous song, "It's Oh So Cooperative," an ode to Sweden's model of so-

cially coordinated capitalism, has been a Billboard Top 100 hit in Sweden for decades.

Josh Riley (MEAS '16) says he can't wait to see lifelong hero 2 Chainz on May 31. "2 Chainz has a really fun and interesting music style, not something you hear every

day. It's like he writes his songs thinking 'I'm Different.'" Not only is Riley looking forward to hearing the musical styling of 2 Chainz, he is eager to see what the always quirky artist will choose to wear. "Ever since he wore that tuxedo with a swan head around the lapel

at the 2001 Academy Awards, I can't wait to see what crazy outfit he will wear." Rumors have been circulating that Chainz will opt for an armadillo suit with cutouts that resemble the Swedish flag, but we should all be careful when listening to Dillo Day rumors.



DILLO DAY: Wristband Policy More Memorable than Concert

BY BRIAN

EVANSTON — Mayfest organizers admitted today that more effort and creativity was put into the planning and roll-out of this year's controversial new Dillo Day wristband policy than into any other aspect of the concert.

The Northwestern student body has reacted with near-unanimous disapproval of the wristband policy, in which oddly-colored and non-replaceable wristbands must be worn in order to gain access to the Lakefill and watch headlining performances by... dammit, who's performing again? Christ, it's right on the tip of my tongue... I know they're relevant to music only in the most transient sense...

...RIGHT! 2 Chainz and Chance the Rapper!

After going out of her way to Norris to pick up her wristband, Weinberg junior Emily Yost angrily complained to nearby Mayfest members about the inconvenience. Mayfest members present were thrilled to hear that Dillo Day had successfully produced an emotion other than bitter indifference in students.

A recent poll of Northwestern undergrads has revealed that 86% of the student body considered this year's Dillo Day changes "inconvenient and unnecessary," while only 24% of students could recall the names of the artists set to perform.

"I still can't believe we have to enter the Lakefill through

Norris!" Yost grumbled to a friend as she walked away from the registration table. Experts predict that this will be the sole memory Yost retains of Dillo Day 2014.

Even if Mayfest cared about whether students enjoyed the concert they receive hundreds

of thousands of dollars to put on, school officials note that they have no need to worry.

According to data from 2013, students only complain about artists until the morning of the actual concert, by which point they're much too drunk to care.



Flipside: Year In Review

Northwestern Math Department Introduces New Number between Seven and Eight

BY BRIAN CAPELLA

EVANSTON — At a surprise press conference, the Northwestern University Math Department announced the introduction of a new number into the current number system. Dr. Jared Wunsch, Math Department Chair, described the new number. “This number, called ‘dag,’ will be somewhere in between seven and eight. We don’t really know yet.” While dag has not yet been acknowledged by the American Mathematical Society, Northwestern students will need to account for dag on all calculations in Northwestern math classes.

Wunsch explained his department’s decision: “Due to the increasing number of applicants and the

decreasing acceptance rate that Northwestern has been experiencing over the past few years, students entering Northwestern are steadily more and more proficient in math. This is unacceptable.”

Wunsch went on to explain the difficulty of math. “Why should math be easier for other people? Math should be the worst. I hate math.” After Flipside Investigators were able to calm the Chairman down, he continued, “To counter this increasing proficiency in math, I— we have decided to introduce a new number into our undergraduate classes.”

Dr. Martina Bode, Director of Calculus, commented, “I like red pen. I really like red pen. I’m very happy with the addition of this new number. Students will

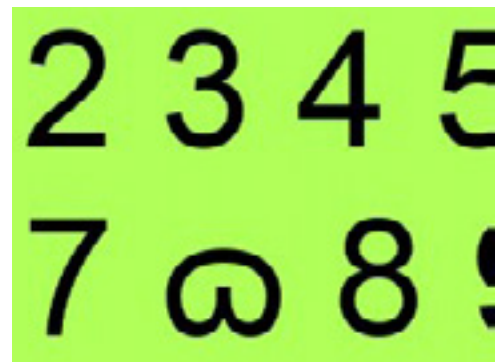
answer many more questions incorrectly. I will be able to use much more red pen.”

This announcement is meeting mixed reviews across campus. Charlie Chang, Slivka resident, was intrigued by the news. “I like a challenge. The SATs were so easy, especially after I started middle school. I’m very excited about the addition of ‘dag.’”

However, Allison Resident Bobby Grumith was furious when he heard the news. “This is so typical. I spent so much time and effort learning just the first ten numbers. And then I got to high school.

Learning ‘dag’ will be stupid. And calculus. I hate math.”

After the announcement, Wunsch was heard discussing more plans to confound students. “‘Dag’ is just the beginning. We’re planning on exploring many options to curtail high math achievement, including harsher grading and administering only oral exams. In Latin.”



Male Student Does Not Realize How Backwards Slut Shaming Is

BY BRIAN PICARD

EVANSTON — McCormick freshman and resident slut shamer Tyler Kozak failed to realize why calling a female peer a “slut” last Thursday night was an issue.

Despite modern innovations such as condoms, paternity tests, and basic concepts of gender equality that render societal ideas of female virginity antiquated, Kozak still stressed the importance of publicly stating his personal opinion of another individual’s sex life.

“She’s totally asking for it,” Kozak said, continuing to unnecessarily share his irrelevant views of the young woman. “I was just helping her out by telling her to



stop being such a slut.”

Although Kozak thought his advice was really useful and welcome, it turns out most females do not enjoy men or other women telling them how and when they should have sex. In fact, according a recent study, 98% of

women feel that their bodies are in fact theirs. The remaining 2% could not be found for comment.

“It’s really quite fascinating the lengths we have gone to as a society to regulate female sexuality, including justifying carrying an unconscious girl by her wrists and ankles, legitimate rape, gendered dress checks, firing someone because they are “too attractive”, or even how we know you want it, when none of these things are acceptable by any reasonable standard ever,” says Stephen Brown, a sociology professor at Northwestern University who conducted the survey.

Another study conducted by the entire population of the world

also found that safe, consensual sex can be an enjoyable experience for a vast majority of people, including women. This surprising result has caused some to realize that telling over half of the occupants of the Western Hemisphere not to have sex is probably not a rational expectation.

“Her tits were, like, hanging out,” Kozak added, in a feeble and illogical attempt to justify why the woman’s “slut” status should correlate to her moral character or have any significance at all.

He is currently preoccupied with telling his friend that the author of this article must be a slut and therefore declined further comment.

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