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WHERE'S JAMMER?



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Chatterbox

Trained war dogs are getting a lot of attention since it was disclosed SEAL Team Six's dog had a direct paw in tracking down and terminating Osama Bin Laden. My son, Jesse, is Police K9 rated and is paired with "Gaston" in Laurel MD. They make a phenomenal pair. But those dogs are all trained, what about your pet? Ask the platoon that adopted *Rufus*, *Sasha*, and *Target* in Afghanistan last year. Yeah, it's technically against orders, but the unit's COs tend to turn a blind eye to anything that warms morale in the cold, dark, fearsome places our troops find themselves these days. After all, they're only pets, right? That's what the owners of *Rufus*, *Sasha*, & *Target* thought, too, until one cold night last February, when a Taliban suicide bomber tried to sneak into the barracks where 50 troops were sacked out. He had an estimated 24 pounds of C4 explosive strapped on, and if he had successfully entered, the blast in a confined room would have had many American parents receiving that dreaded official visit. But while the troops slept, *Rufus*, *Sasha*, and *Target* were standing guard. Whether the three of them recognized the scent of explosives (they were untrained, remember), or just a stranger with deadly intent, doesn't really matter. What matters is the three of them physically dragged the suicide bomber away from "their guys" and the barracks, until he detonated the C4 too far distant to cause serious casualties. *Rufus* & *Target* were seriously injured, and sadly *Sasha* died. But they gave all they could protecting their troops... and the troops knew a debt when they felt one owed. The troop's medic, nursed the two surviving pups back to health. And when they rotated home, with the aid of *Hope for Warriors*, they brought 2 more survivors than the TO&E showed. *Rufus* lives in Georgia with Sgt. "Duke", and *Target* lives with the units Medic. "Hooah", way to bring 'em back alive pups! Well done!



when she claimed she was concerned for the safety of her kids! Of course she should be, what with their mother being such a whack-job...

When a tour bus operator recently found out he had more passengers than seats, his solution was quite brainless. He put the extra 6 customers in the luggage storage under the bus. This didn't happen in Mexico City, it was the Haines Bus Company of Michigan in Ohio. Unlike the Zimbabwe Urban Legend bus driver, who, having lost all his insane passengers stopping for a few drinks on the way to the asylum replaced them with quite normal people by offering free rides, the 6 passengers in the luggage vault story *really* happened, right here, in the good old USA. I remember when reading goofy news, one could say "at least it wouldn't happen here!" Today, apparently, we ARE the new "here"!

How come when a man talks nasty to a woman the charge is "Sexual Harassment", but when a woman talks nasty to a man the charge is \$4.99 @ minute?

Recently discovered hoards of hidden coins are in the news again. Near the H&M Barracks in Colchester, England, sometime in 271CE, a stash of 1,274 coins were buried in a clay pot. Archaeologists recently excavated them. Whoever buried them had every intention of returning at a later date, and didn't. Did they pass away without sharing the secret location? Even worse did they return and find themselves unable to locate their concealed savings? The chance for sympathy is never higher than the fears, wishes, and hopes expressed with these hidden savings. But the England find pales to insignificance when compared to the discovery in Suzhou, China of a stash to embarrass all other stashes. Apparently around 1126CE during a quite violent warring period, either a very wealthy village's, or possibly a government district's wealth, was hidden in a well by dumping in all the coins the well could hold, leaving just enough water above them to conceal the coins and still be able to draw water from the well. There is no way the 1/4 of a million coins, weighing some 4 tons, were hidden by one man, or even one family. What is most amazing is *no one* ever returned to reclaim the hoard! This indicates that some drastic massacre probably removed all of the plotters simultaneously, before one had a chance to bargain for his life with knowledge of the stash. For, even if the squealer was betrayed, the coins still would have been removed. Wouldn't it be ironic if the conquerors, in a pique because the loot was so poor, massacred the population without having found the stash? Proving yet one more time *You can't take it with you, but you don't have to let the buggers who come after get it either!*



Scientists have recently completed a study investigating why men chase women they have no intention of marrying. Apparently it's closely related to the same biology that makes dogs chase cars they have no intention of driving.



Banks get robbed often enough it's no longer even shocking. But getting robbed by a woman in a full Clown outfit? Wearing a Red Ball nose? Rainbow multi-hued hair? Size "humongous" shoes? And claiming she was wearing a bomb? Interest zooms up! When the robber claims she *had* to rob the bank because someone kidnapped her kids and forced her to? Now you add equal doses of pathos, and terror! This didn't happen in "Weird-ifornia", or Downtown New York City, this happened right here in Easton, Pennsylvania. At least you must admit Pennsylvanians are interesting, even our whackers are more interesting than other states. Carolyn Williams apologized for making everything up, and robbing the bank as she pleaded guilty to felony robbery in Northampton County Court. Needless to say, there wasn't any kidnapping, she intended to keep the \$7,000 herself. But she did explain she was in earnest



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